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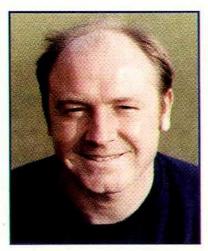
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elcome to today's fixture with Swindon — another tough battle as we attempt to pull ourselves away from an increasingly frantic relegation battle. The Robins made a fantastic start to the season and looked like real contenders for promotion towards Christmas. Unfortunately they've slipped a little in recent weeks, though I know that any side managed by Steve McMahon will be passionate, well organised and will give us a big test this

My last notes came of course prior to the Middlesbrough game — a game that I know will remain with all of us for quite a while. The performance and the attitude of the players on the night was fantastic and after a season that hasn't lived up to early expectations, I hope that this game gave you the encouragement - as it did me — that we are on the right tracks. Bit by bit, we are bringing in the players and the approach that I hope will see us challenging for a place in the Premiership and whilst it is too late this season, those players who are currently holding down places know that no-one can ever take their spot for granted. Hopefully therefore, you will see a team not only fighting for a satisfactory end to this campaign but also for their places in the battle NEXT season. I said when I arrived that this club has the potential to be a regular participant in the Premiership - last Wednesday's game perhaps gave us all a glimpse of that potential. There was a hunger, a passion and a spirit that tore Middlesbrough apart - we CAN do it! We just have to do it a little more consistently. For every Middlesbrough there's been a Port Vale and that's something* that we are all striving to eradicate.

Our performance against Birmingham - whilst never really reaching the heights of the previous game - still perhaps deserved more than an eventual defeat. We had our chances but really our inability to settle straight

you again at Stoke!

away cost us and whilst Birmingham never outplayed us they were strong enough to hold out. Our grateful thanks of course to those fans who made the trip to the West Midlands. To see and hear an exuberant travelling support always has a truly positive effect on the players and it can make all the difference. See

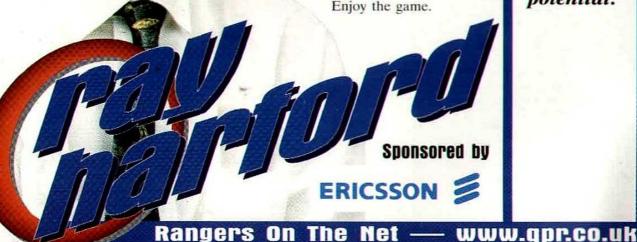
> Back to today's game though. I'm fully aware that Swindon gave us a beating at their place before my arrival as part of an excellent run that took them to the top of the league. We will have to be on our guard again today if we are to secure all three points and if we

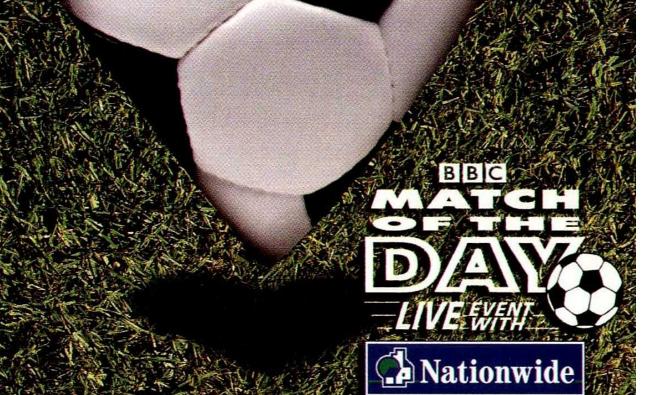
can show some of the spirit of the last couple of weeks we'll be well on the

Enjoy the game.



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MASSIVE BLOW FOR MURRAY

PAUL MURRAY will be out for the rest of the season after fracturing his tibia at Norwich. He'll be in plaster for six weeks and is expected to be fit to return for pre-season training in July.

Paul says: "Obviously, I'm a bit down. But I'll recover, take a big rest in the summer and be flying for next season.

"I don't remember too much about the incident at Norwich. Except that when I went into the tackle, I heard a crack and I knew my shin was broken. At least it's a clean break, so it will mend back together perfectly. I'll probably return to playing with a stronger shin, but all I can do is look forward to getting back.

"I'm going to go home to Carlisle for a couple of weeks to stay with my dad. I need my family around me at the moment," he says.

Keith Rowland meanwhile will be sidelined for several weeks after having 15 stitches inserted in the gashed thigh he sustained at Norwich.

BRUISING BATTLE

THE visit to Norwich saw two horrific injuries to Rangers players in the first ten minutes. Indeed, Keith Rowland and Paul Murray ended up sharing an ambulance to the Norfolk and Norwich General Hospital.

Assistant boss John Hollins summed up the day by saying: "The first tackle of the match led to Keith Rowland getting a nasty hole in the muscle of his knee. It didn't bleed, which meant it was very deep. That was stitched up and Keith was able to come home with us.

"Then Paul Murray's determination in midfield meant he overstretched and he hit the Norwich player he tackled. It caused a fractured tibia.

"At the end of the game, all the players and staff got on the team coach and drove straight to the hospital. Then we all got off to see Paul. At the time, he was being plastered up — still in his QPR kit — and he was trying to be bright and bubbly in difficult circumstances. All the guys were really choked for him.

"We wish both players a speedy recovery. It's a real blow to us because Keith and Paul are such good and talented players."

REGGAE BOYZ HONOUR R SIMON

RANGERS will play Jamaica at Loftus Road in the Simon Barker testimonial match on Sunday, March 22, kick-off 3pm.

Simon says: "I'm really looking forward to it. There should be a real carnival atmosphere. It's been a long time since anyone has had a testimonial at Loftus Road, so I'd love to see as many Rangers fans at the game as possible."

The Jamaicans boast several Premiership players in their ranks and they will be fielding a full strength side as a warm-up for the World Cup Finals.

Jamaican Football Federation president Horace Burrell says: "This is the first time that an English-speaking Jamaican side has played in England. We hope that the Jamaicans in London and the people from the West Indies as a whole will join together to pack Loftus Road to capacity for this worthy cause."

For further details of the Simon Barker testimonial year, telephone: 0171-404 8897.

BRUCE'S BONUS

PAUL BRUCE was thrilled to notch his first ever goal for Rangers

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in the 5-0 home win over Middlesbrough.

Paul says: "I didn't expect us to score so many goals against Middlesbrough, but we have been working hard in training and so it went well for us in the game.

"I can't really remember too much about the goal. Basically I just picked the ball up on the left, saw the 'keeper off his line and just chipped it. Luckily enough it went in. It was a great feeling for me. A great buzz. I haven't really experienced anything like that before!"

TEMPORARY TOFFEEMAN JOHN

JOHN SPENCER has joined Everton on a month's loan. It gives him a chance to rekindle his playing fortunes after a disappointing time of late.

R's boss Ray Harford explained: "Howard Kendall at Everton asked me about John Spencer. Howard has been short of a striker and feels that John could be a decent player alongside big Ferguson, as they were together at Glasgow Rangers.

"John has only played one reserve game for us recently and he certainly needs regular first-team action. So with Sheron, Gallen, Dowie and Slade available and doing quite well for me, I said Spencer could go on loan.

"John hasn't done enough in the last six or seven weeks to warrant selection ahead of the other four strikers here. It would be very unfair on those four to omit them for John Spencer. And I didn't see any change in that situation over the next month. So we'll see if John plays at Everton and we can call him back at the end of the four weeks or any time into the next month at 24 hours notice.

"John is a senior professional and a first-team player. It would be very frustrating for him to constantly play in the reserves, so it will do him good to go out on loan — as we saw when Mark Kennedy came here to play for us."

Speaking on Everton Clubcall, John Spencer said: "Obviously I've

LSA MASCOT

Eight year-old Fiona Clark is the Loyal Supporters Association Mascot for today's game. She currently attends Libert Middle School in Mitcham. Enjoy Your Day!



been in the First Division now for 18 months and it went well for me for the first 15 or 16 months. But this season the goals haven't come as I would have liked, so I'm just hoping to get back into the Premiership and score some goals."

FIVE DELIGHT!

THE home win against Middlesborough saw Rangers hit five goals in a league match for the first time since we hammered Coventry 5-1 at Loftus Road on October 23rd 1993. That result led to Coventry boss Bobby Gould resigning straight after the final whistle.

The 5-0 victory over Middlesbrough also equalled Rangers' highest winning margin in the 1990's, which was 6-1 at home to Luton on September 15 1990 (the day Paul Parker scored his only goal for the R's).

QPR's last victory by more than five goals was on Easter Monday, March 31 1986, when Chelsea left Loftus Road on the end of a 6-0 mauling.

WELCOME WIN FOR SECOND STRING

RANGERS reserves won 2-1 at Oxford United on Monday night courtesy of goals by Steve Slade and Matthew Brazier.

KENNEDY RETURNS NORTH AFTER MAKING HIS MARK

IRISH star Mark Kennedy has returned to Liverpool after his loan spell at Loftus Road.

Liverpool have called Kennedy back due to Robbie Fowler's injury and the fact that they only have Riedle and Owen as recognized forwards.

Rangers chief executive Clive Berlin says: "Unfortunately this is disappointing news. Liverpool felt they must have Mark Kennedy back immediately as he is their only recognized forward cover.

"Both myself and Ray Harford had been in contact with Liverpool trying

to persuade them otherwise. We wanted to extend Kennedy's loan or to purchase him outright. We offered a substantial sum of money, but at the end it really didn't come down to price.

"Liverpool confirmed to me that there are three other clubs who have also shown an interest in Mark, but that we will have first refusal should the situation change. Mark has also confirmed that he would be more than happy to stay with Rangers if that situation arises.

"So we have tried everything we can and we will continue to try, but unfortunately Mark returned to Liverpool." views • news • reviews

Boss John Hollins said: "It was an excellent win. We started off well and were very positive. There was good attitude from everybody.

"Mark Graham and Matt Brazier did very well wide on the right and the left. They actually set the pattern of the game. They managed to turn and get at Oxford.

"We've had a lot of drawn matches where we've not really convinced, so this was one of the more pleasing games. We went a goal behind against the run of play, although it was nothing to do with Richard Hurst who made two or three excellent saves. But we battled back with a really sound performance. It put a smile on my face. We had young Damien Franklin up front and it was his third game in five days, which shows the attitude of the young players that we have at our club. They are determined and they want to show their worth.

"Our first goal was what Steve Slade calls 'The Teddy Sheringham'. We had a corner and Steve just hung around on the edge of the box. The ball was clipped out to him, he touched it, volleyed it and the 'keeper made a great save. A little bit afterwards, we had another corner and it came over again - we bent it into the box, it came back out and Steve sent in a terrific low left footed volley that whistled through everybody into the corner of the net for a super finish.

"Then a cross zoomed over from the right hand side by Antti Heinola, and Matt Brazier cut across the fullback, the 'keeper tried to come out to clear, the ball hit Matt and fell into his path. So he volleyed it into the net. His celebration was good he went charging off, but our supporters weren't on that side of the pitch! So a very worthy win."

Team: Richard Hurst, Antti

Heinola, Trevor Challis, Simon Barker, David Whittle, Danny Maddix, Mark Graham, Matthew Rose, Damien Franklin, Steve Slade, Matthew Brazier. Subs not used: Carlos Brown, Perry Norman, Angelo Lione.

TIME TRIAL

From today, throughout the Football League a trial procedure is being introduced to help alleviate the uncertainty amongst fans, players and managers alike as to when a match will end.

At the end of each 45 minutes, the referee will signal to the Reserve Official how much injury time is to be played. Using the substitute number boards, the Reserve Official will then indicate to the crowd the minimum number of additional minutes to be played. Of course if extended.

At this stage this procedure is being carried out on a trial basis, with a review at the end of the season.

WOLVES MATCH REARRANGED

THE RANGERS v Wolves match - scheduled for April 4 - will now be played on Wednesday 1st April kick-off 7.45pm as Wolves are involved in the FA Cup Semi-Final that weekend.

KARL READY FOR JAMAICAN DATE

KARL READY has been named in the Wales squad to play Jamaica at Cardiff on Wednesday, March 25. The Jamaicans appear at Loftus Road three days before that in the Simon Barker testimonial, of course.

WELCOME R FUTURE!

Today we welcome more young fans from clubs all over the Home Counties who have taken advantage of the promotion we are running today. Thousands of youngsters have bought reduced priced tickets via their social and football clubs as we encourage a new generation of

fans to follow the R's. You're very welcome! Harrow St. Mary's YFC Brentford Town **Banstead YC Priory Rangers** Hampton Youth U12's Meritlink Ewe & Lamb Magnum Pinnstars Walton Colts Wargrave Celtic FC **Britsec Corinthians** Link Boys Ansell Electrical Services Greenford Celtic FC Haslemere Town YFC **Bedfont Eagles Maldon Saints** Iver Youth FC St. Edmunds YFC

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N EVENING when everything came together in spectacular fashion for Rangers against highflying 'Boro.

It started badly for the Superhoops when Mark Perry limped off after just seven minutes, to be replaced by Paul Bruce.

But visiting defender Steve Vickers set the party rolling, slicing high into his own net from Kennedy's right flank centre after 32 minutes. Five minutes later, Paul Bruce notched his first goal for the R's with a left footed cross that deflected over Dibble. Then Kennedy's 50-yard pass put Gallen away to round the 'keeper and slot home from the acutest of angles for a third goal in seven minutes. And on the stroke of half-time, Sheron cut across two defenders to leather home from 25 yards.

Middlesbrough sent on all three subs at half-time but couldn't stem the blue and white hooped tidal flow. On 54 minutes, Kennedy's astute cross was bulldozed home by Sheron's head. Then 'Boro's former Chelsea captain Andy Townsend was sent-off for picking up two bookings in the space of 30 seconds.

It was a marvellous performance by Rangers, who received a standing ovation from the jubilant crowd at the end.

Rangers: Harper, Bardsley, Morrow, Kulcsar, Ready, Yates, Perry(Bruce 7), Quashie(Heinola 88), Sheron, Gallen(Slade 83), Kennedy.

*Boro: Dibble, Festa, Fleming, Vickers, Pearson(Maddison 45), Mustoe, Hignett(Beck 45), Townsend, Branca, Merson, Thomas(Armstrong 45).

Referee: A. D'Urso(Billericay)

Attendance: 11.580

MATCH STATS

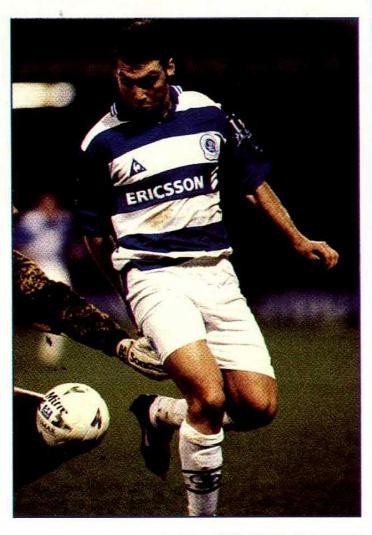
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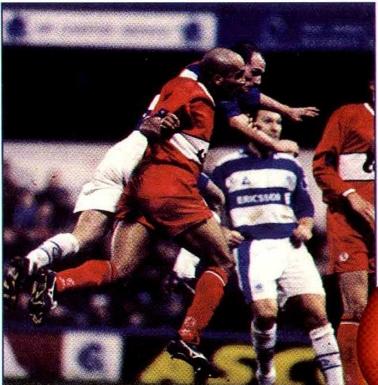
Left: Bruce the brave. Paul makes his presence felt as he unsettles the experienced 'Boro back-line

Bottom Left: Brucie bonus!
Paul receives the
congratulations after netting
his first senior goal for the
club.... well done, son!



Above: Dibble trouble. Kevin Gallen evades the long arm of Andy Dibble to bag another goal for the Superhoops 5 MIDDLESBROUGH

RANGERS



Left: Mike Sheron gets his nose in front to snift out another scoring opportunity



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For the Robins a season that promised so much before Christmas now looks to be ending in disappointment. But it says much for the roller-coaster ride that is Swindon Town that mid-table safety is perceived as some kind of failure.

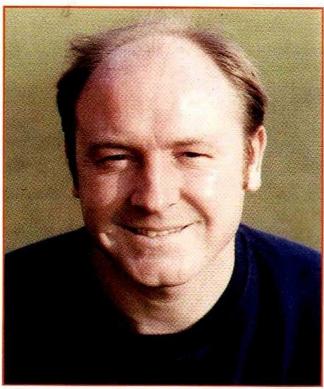
After scrabbling around at the wrong end of the League for years, the revolution initially instigated by Lou Macari, Ossie Ardiles and Glenn Hoddle took them to the promised land of the Premiership. This, courtesy of one of Wembley's most astounding games the heart stopping Play-Off Final victory against Leicester in 1993. 3-0 up they surrendered that lead before squeezing home with a late Paul Bodin penalty. Their only year in the Premiership — with the genial John Gorman now in though and a valiant struggle ended in relegation, despite adherence to a passing game respected by all. The departure of Gorman paved the way for Steve McMahon to take the reins in November 1994 but a general malaise had set in and another relegation followed as a successful group of individuals began to go their separate ways. McMahon stuck to his guns though and in his first full season in charge took them to the Second Division title.

Last season was ticking over nicely into November with a 3-0 over Premiership-bound Barnsley taking the side to the fringes of the play-off frame. From that point on though, form fell away and a final position of 19th was little reward for a campaign that offered much. Two points out of a possible 24 dragged the Robins down nine places in the last six weeks of the season. This season

began even more promisingly as former Celtic man Chris Hay banged in the goals to take them to the top of the league. Still in the top six going into Christmas the side then began to lose confidence and with it went results. The pattern this season has been quite clear. Whilst by and large the side have had little problem disposing of teams they SHOULD beat - all but two sides beneath them have lost to the Robins - Swindon have not beaten any team, home or away from the current charge - won them more friends than points SWINDON top ten. This has seen McMahon's men slip down to 13th - all but safe from the dogfight at the bottom but rapidly running out of time to

> Nevertheless this is a tough side full of character and heart and if only a fraction of their manager's

resurrect their promotion challenge.



Steve McMahon — hoping to get the Robins flying in the right direction once more

passion rubs off on his charges then a lack of success will not be for the want of trying. There are still plenty of games left for this side to prove a point or two to those who see them as incapable of lasting the pace of a 46-game season. A few teams had better be on their guard!

The Manager

STEVE McMAHON listed the Second Division Championship with Swindon as the highlight of his career so far, despite racking up League and Cup honours with Everton, Aston Villa and of course Liverpool. He made 17 full appearances for England playing for his country during the 1990 World Cup in Italy. He had a spell at Manchester City before taking over at Swindon in November 1994.

in Goal

FRASER DIGBY is Town's longest serving player and was also Player of the Year last season. Having served his apprenticeship at Manchester United he signed for the Robins in 1986 and apart from a short loan spell back at Old Trafford has remained at the County Ground ever since.

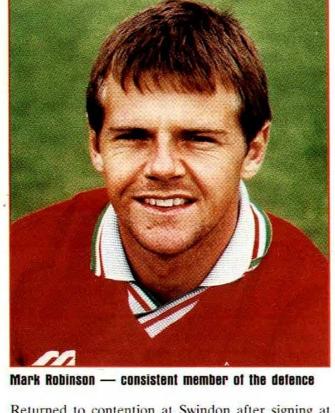
In Defence

MARK ROBINSON started his career at West Brom before joining Barnsley on a free in 1986. Newcastle

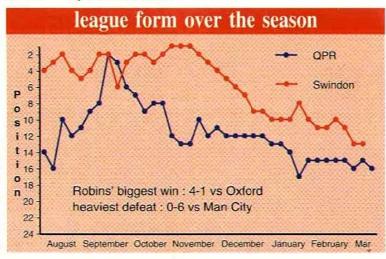
snapped him up seven years later before Swindon paid a club record fee of £600,000 in July 1994. Always consistent at either full-back or centre back. CRAIG TAYLOR signed a three-year deal in April of last year after impressing on trial. Made a dream debut against Port Vale scoring from all of 35 yards. Strong in the air and determined in the tackle. BRIAN BORROWS previously played for Everton, Bolton and Coventry before signing for Swindon in November 1997. Comfortable anywhere along the back line although has proved particularly effective at sweeper. PHIL KING is now in his second spell at the County Ground having previously played there

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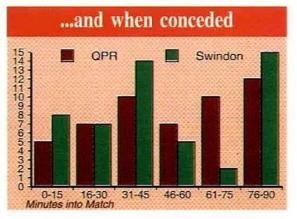
between 1987



Returned to contention at Swindon after signing at the end of last season. ALAN MCDONALD a hugely popular figure at Loftus Road who spent 17 seasons at QPR before moving to Swindon in the summer. A highly committed defender with 53 Northern Ireland caps to his name.



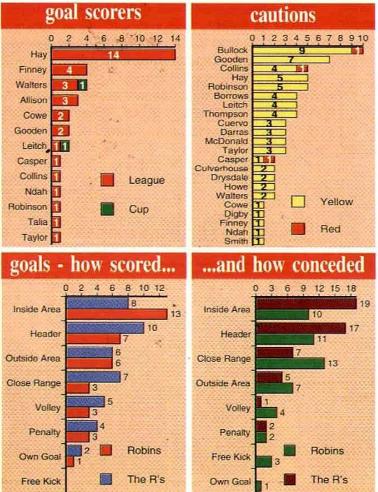




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In Midfield

DARREN BULLOCK signed from Huddersfield last year for £400,000 having played 156 times for the Terriers. Scored on his debut against Swindon having only come in to League football at the age of 24 after a spell with Nuneaton Borough. TY GOODEN was snapped up by John Gorman in 1993 having been released by Wycombe Wanderers. Made over 30 appearances in Swindon's Second Division Championship winning side but was hindered by injuries last year. An asset either in midfield or at wing-back. SCOTT LEITCH joined Swindon in the summer of 1996 for only £15,000 having enjoyed





Ty Gooden — brings undoubted quality to the midfield

spells with Motherwell, Dunfermline and Hearts. Steve McMahon was quick to snap him up after he impressed during a loan spell. *LEE COLLINS* missed most of last season through injury but signed an

extension to his contract during the summer. A ball winning midfielder who initially joined Swindon from Albion Rovers in November 1995. STEPHEN HOWE known as 'Bobby' is an attacking midfielder who joined from Nottingham Forest two months ago. Having made 17 appearances for Dave Bassett's team he jumped at the chance of regular first-team football and has been a consistent performer so far.

In Attack

CHRIS HAY was drafted in from Scottish giants Celtic around the start of the season and made an immediate impact scoring 13 goals in 20 games before Christmas. A pacy, young striker who Steve McMahon tracked for a year before signing. STEVE FINNEY only made nine appearances last season through injury although a loan spell at Cambridge in November seems to have worked wonders for a now refreshed and hungry striker. Three goals in his first three games back after taking over from the departed Wayne Allison. STEVE COWE may lack height but he more than makes up for it with pace and skill on the ball. This livewire frontman scored seven times for Swindon last season having signed for £100,000 in March 1996 from Aston Villa.



Football historian Leigh Edwards looks back at a season to remember

windon Town defender Alan McDonald was an influential figure as QPR featured in the FA Cup semi-final draw for only the third time in 1989/90. The campaign was also notable for Don Howe taking charge of team affairs at Loftus Road, the record signing of Roy Wegerle and Paul Parker's outstanding displays for England in the World Cup.

Former England international striker Trevor Francis had succeeded Jim Smith as QPR's player-manager in December 1988. The arrival of ex-England midfielder Peter Reid from Everton plus the record signings of Nigel Spackman from Liverpool for £500,000 and Northern Ireland striker Colin Clarke from Southampton for £800,000 inspired an end-of-season rally that lifted



Rangers to ninth position in the First Division in 1988/89.

Francis prepared for the 1989/90 campaign by paying £300,000 for Brentford winger Andy Sinton, a similar fee for Newcastle United's ex-England left-back Kenny Sansom and £275,000 Aberdeen striker Paul Wright. Master coach Don Howe also moved to Loftus Road, having coached Arsenal to the 'double' in 1970/71 and three successive FA Cup finals. then plotted Wimbledon's epic 1988 FA Cup final triumph with Bobby Gould.

Paul Wright scored twice on his debut as QPR kicked off the 1989/90 season with a 2-0 win at home to newly-promoted Crystal Palace, followed by a 1-1 draw at west London rivals Chelsea. Rangers failed to score in their next four matches and unsettled England U-21 midfielder Martin Allen moved to West Ham for £675,000 during this period, while right-back David Bardsley joined Rangers from Oxford United in a £375,000 deal with striker Mark Stein moving in the opposite direction.

Playing his first full League games for nearly nine months, Trevor Francis scored a hat-trick as the following Rangers side won 3-1 at Aston Villa on 23rd September 1989: David Seaman, Justin Channing, Kenny Sansom, Paul Parker, Alan McDonald, Nigel Spackman, David Bardsley, Peter Reid (Danny Maddix), Colin Clarke, Trevor Francis (Paul Wright), Andy Sinton.



Despite Francis also netting in QPR's next two League games against Spurs and Southampton, this was Rangers' sole First Division victory in the space of 11 matches and they lost to Coventry City in the Littlewoods Cup third round. Amid mounting criticism, QPR returned to winning ways as Paul Wright (2) and Mark Falco scored in a rousing 3-2 victory at home to Liverpool in mid-November.

Francis was dismissed a fortnight later, the consequence of making him both manager and his own best player. Don Howe was placed in charge of team affairs initially on a three week trial and his first games coincided with the debut of influential ex-England midfielder Ray Wilkins, signed from Glasgow Rangers. Danny Maddix and Andy Sinton (2) scored in QPR's 3-0 win at Crystal Palace, then Les Ferdinand netted twice in the thrilling 4-2 victory at home to Chelsea.

Exciting striker Roy Wegerle became Rangers' first seven-figure signing in December when Howe paid £1,000,000 to First Division rivals Luton Town for him. Discovered playing in South African soccer, Wegerle had moved to Chelsea for £100,000 from Rodney Marsh's Tampa Bay Rowdies in June 1986. Following a loan spell at Swindon Town, he joined Luton for £75,000 in July 1988 and came on as substitute for his QPR debut in the 2-0 defeat at Sheffield Wednesday.

This record transfer outlay was offset by the £500,000 sale of midfielder Nigel Spackman to Glasgow Rangers, striker Paul Wright's £300,000 return to Scotland with Hibernian and the £110,000 departure of former England U-21 right-back David Kerslake to Ossie Ardiles' Swindon Town where he helped to achieve Second Division play-off glory at Wembley. In addition, midfield general Peter Reid joined Manchester City as player-coach.

After beating Cardiff City 2-0 at home in an FA Cup third round replay, QPR held League Champions Arsenal to a goalless draw in the fourth round at



Highbury. Kenny Sansom's first goal for Rangers and Andy Sinton's last-minute strike gave the following team a thrilling 2-0 replay win in front of 21,547 at Loftus Road on 31st January 1990: David Seaman, David Bardsley, Kenny Sansom, Paul Parker, Alan McDonald, Danny Maddix, Ray Wilkins, Simon Barker, Colin Clarke, Roy Wegerle, Andy Sinton.

Two goals by Colin Clarke gave QPR a 2-2 fifth round draw at Blackpool and the Loftus Road replay ended goalless after extratime. Howe's side needed a third game to beat their Third Division opponents, with Andy Sinton, Kenny Sansom and Simon Barker scoring in Rangers 3-0 victory at Loftus Road.

QPR faced holders Liverpool in a televised sixth round clash at Loftus Road on 11th March 1990. Rangers looked set to repeat their League victory and reach the semifinals for only the second time when Ray Wilkins' goal gave them a 1-0 interval lead. But after second-half strikes by John Barnes and Ian Rush, it needed Simon Barker's dramatic late equaliser to snatch a 2-2 draw and Liverpool won 1-0 in the Anfield replay three days later as Peter Beardsley's early goal proved decisive.

Rangers lost just once in the space of seven First Division games including consecutive home wins



over Arsenal and Spurs — as they maintained a comfortable midtable position for the remainder of the 1989/90 campaign. During the closing weeks of the season, QPR's young central defender Brian Law made his full Welsh international debut against Sweden in Stockholm and outstanding goalkeeper David Scaman moved to Arsenal for a record £1,300,000.

Don Howe assisted Bobby Robson as England progressed to the World Cup semi-finals in Italy that summer. Rangers' defender Paul Parker was outstanding for England and his impressive displays under Howe's guidance enhanced his reputation as a world class player.

QPR's 1989/90 FA Cup Record

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4	A	Arsenal	D 0-0	43,483	
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5	A	Blackpool	D 2-2	9,641	Clarke (2)
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FA Cup Appearances/(Goals):

David Bardsley 9, Simon Barker 9 (2), Alan McDonald 9, Danny Maddix 9, Paul Parker 9, Kenny Sansom 9 (2), David Seaman 9, Andy Sinton 9 (2), Roy Wegerle 9 (1), Ray Wilkins 9 (2), Colin Clarke 7 (2), Mark Falco 2+2, Paul Wright 0+2.



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This is YOUR page, so we want to hear from all of you!!

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JUNIOR R'S MASCOT

Today's Junior R's mascot is eight year-old Tom MacGuinness.
Tom currently attends St. Matthews Primary School in Blackmoor' Hampshire. He plays as a striker for Borden Blues Under-9's and has been their leading scorer for the past two years! His favourite other pastimes

include playing on his PlayStation and riding his new bike and his favourite players are Paul Murray and Gavin Peacock.

Have a great day!

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There will be reciprocal visits to both Stoke City and Huddersfield Town. Prices, which include match and coach tickets, are:

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As usual please phone Sarah on: 0181-740 2534 for more information.

GOLLY JOSH!



This is nine month old Josh Charlton proudly displaying his club colours. Dad Wayne is a loft regular and first came to Loftus Road way back in 1973.

Obviously young Josh is going to keep up the family tradition and with a surname like Charlton you can be sure that football is never going to be too far from their minds!

LUCKY THIRTEEN

Happy Birthday to Junior season ticket holder John Cahillane who is celebrating his 13th birthday. Lots of love from Dad, Liz and everyone at QPR.

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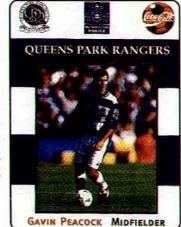


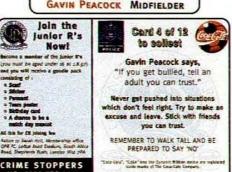
METROPOLITAN POLICE/QUEENS PARK RANGERS/COCA-COLA COLLECTABLE SAFETY CARD SCHEME

The Metropolitan Police have come together with Queens Park Rangers to offer all our young fans a unique opportunity to collect safety cards. A series of 12 picture cards have been produced (one per first-team player), each with a personal message directed towards young people offering tips and advice. A number of topics range from personal safety on the streets, finding syringes, going out with friends, making an emergency call, trespassing on railway lines, bullying and many more.

Coca-Cola UK have provided the necessary sponsorship for this pilot project which if it proves to be successful, will be offered to other football clubs who might wish to become involved.

The first card, featuring Danny Maddix, is being handed out today. Thereafter, the cards will be available, one per week for free, by approaching a local patrolling





police officer or by attending Hammersmith or Shepherds Bush Police Stations. These cards will be available from 16th March 1998 for 12 weeks. A word of warning though. The cards will ONLY be available from the police and NOT at matches and there is a limited supply — so get yours while you can!

Andy Evans, QPR's Community Scheme Manager, says, "QPR have always considered themselves to be a community club. We feel this is an

> important scheme as the safety of our young supporters is a priority, not only in the stadium on a matchday but also on a daily basis. The club and the players are proud to support this project which will hopefully be copied by many clubs."

> Chief Superintendent Jo Kaye of the Metropolitan Police says, "We see this as an excellent partnership between the

Metropolitan, Police, QPR and Coca-Cola, enabling young people to meet patrolling officers and thereby breaking down barriers which sometimes exist. Football players are role models and it is important that they participate in safety education for all our young people."

The players have got their own personal message to their young fans on the cards — collect your favourite or of course the whole team! When you have collected the lot write to us here in the Community Department — we might have something EXTRA for you!!

Penalty Shoot-Out

As part of this afternoon's entertainment, two clubs who have taken advantage of our fantastic ticket offer this afternoon will actually be involved in a penalty shoot out at half-time!

The representatives of SOUTH RUISLIP RANGERS FC are Jack Bennett, Jack Aylott, Lillo Vinniri, Nicholas Glenday, Aaron Mitchell and Kristian Reid. For BROOK HOUSE we have Marie O'Brien, Billy Baker, Toby Simpson, Mark O'Brien, Katie Dwyer and Leo Whitling. May the best team win!

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All around England footballers dream of playing in the FA Cup Final — and the closer they get the more the anticipation grows.

For the few remaining clubs left in the competition, the dream of reaching Wembley is close to becoming a reality as the tournament reaches the semi-final stage.

Well rugby is no different! The Tetley's Bitter Cup — the equivalent to the FA Cup has reached the last four, with an amazing day out at the home of rugby - Twickenham just 80 minutes away. And following a rampant quarter-final performance at London Irish, Wasps are one of those teams! On Saturday, March 28th — just two weeks from today — The Men In Black will take on Sale at Loftus Road in what promises to be a match to remember. Unlike in football the semis aren't played at neutral venues and therefore Wasps enjoyed the benefit of home advantage when the draw was made. Not only that but they managed to avoid league leaders Saracens who an awkward trip Northampton in the other semi-final.

The performance at London Irish was perhaps Wasps' most complete display of the season as they ran out 41-7 winners. Once they had established a 26-0 lead at half-time there was no coming back for the team known as 'The Exiles', thanks to tries for Kenny Logan, Will Green and the impeccable kicking of Gareth Rees. Further tries for Shane Roiser and Mike Friday completed the rout — all the sweeter considering Irish

had beaten Wasps back in November in a League fixture.

The draw against Sale was perhaps, secretly, the one everyone had hoped for - particularly at home. They are tough customers make no mistake and indeed of any visiting side to Loftus Road they have scored the most points in one game, 38 in October. But the other sides are perhaps tougher still and this game presents Wasps with a glorious opportunity to reach their fourth cup final. The previous three have all ended in defeat and all at the hands of Bath - a side who have dominated this tournament winning 10 of the last 14 finals. All four semifinalists this year though have never won the cup and all will feel they have a great chance to finally get their names on the trophy.

So whatever you do, if you can't make it to Huddersfield for the R's big game, get yourself down to Loftus Road for the biggest Cup game Wasps have played at Loftus Road. The more support the better as the side bids to get to Twickenham on May 9th, so come along and cheer the Wasps on to glory!!

WASPS v Sale Saturday, 28th March 1998 Kick Off 4pm.



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"All I can do now is cheer the lads on from the stands. I'll be at every home game and I'll get to as many away matches as I can"

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KEITH ROWLAND IS ON THE MEND AFTER SUFFERING ONE OF THE WORST INJURIES IN THE HISTORY OF QUEENS PARK RANGERS.

It happened in the first minute of the away match at Norwich two weeks ago. Keith was involved in a tackle which left a deep gash on his thigh. He needed 15 stitches.

R's physio Brian Morris says: "It is a terrible injury. It is more like a war wound or a car crash wound. We just don't see injuries like that in football."

Keith has been to see a plastic surgeon this week as he may require a skin graft. Both the wound and the muscle in his thigh need to be repaired.

Keith says: "I got the injury straight after the kick-off at Norwich. It wasn't as painful as people might expect. It was pretty sore on the Saturday night after I had the stitches put in, but it hasn't been too bad since then."



His ambulance journey to the Norfolk and Norwich General Hospital was shared with Paul Murray, who was carried off with a broken leg after just 10 minutes of the game at Carrow Road. It was a bizarre situation.

"I've never seen it before in football where two team-mates have been taken to hospital together," says Keith. "Neither of us could believe it was happening. And with Paul breaking his leg, it was two serious injuries for Rangers on the day."

Initially, it was felt that Keith would be out of action for three weeks. But he feels the injury is more serious than first expected.

"I've seen a skin graft specialist and he told me it will take time for the wound to heal. I'm also being guided by the club doctor and the physio. The injury is in an awkward position just above my knee, which is a major focal point when you play football. Basically, it is going to come into contact with the ball or another player sooner or later. So I have to be careful. I am hoping to get back to playing before the end of the season, but I won't be holding my breath."

It's all so frustrating for Keith. He had been bedding into the side really well after his transfer from West Ham in January, but now faces a lengthy spell on the sidelines.

"I'm very disappointed. Iain Dowie and myself had been settling in quite well following our move across London. All I can do now is cheer the lads on from the stands. I'll be at every home game and I'll get to as many away matches as I can," he says.

Rangers fans will wish Keith and Paul Murray speedy recoveries from their injuries.

WHICH R'S PLAYER REMINDS YOU OF A SPICE GIRL?

If there was an 'Angry Spice', it would be John Spencer. He always reminds me of an angry wee Scotsman. And when I've played against him in the past, he always seemed angry as well.



DWLAND

BEST TRAINER AT RANGERS?

The senior players such as Simon Barker and Iain Dowie are very professional.

WORST TRAINER?

Steve Slade. I was sitting in the oxygen chamber the other day and could just about see out the window. But I noticed that I moved more in half an hour cooped up in the tiny cubicle than Sladey did out on the training field.

WHO WOULD YOU NOT TRUST WITH A SECRET?

Iain
Dowie.
He could
argue with an
empty house
if you left him
in it on his
own.

BEST DRESSED PLAYER?

Karl Ready. Quite snappy. Not bad clothes.

WORST DRESSED?

George Kulcsar and Simon Barker are good dressers in their own minds, I'm sure, but I can't see how they match their outfits.

WORST HAIRCUT?

A few weeks ago, Karl Ready came into training looking like Rodney's wife Cassandra from Only Fools and Horses. Steve Morrow also takes stick for his lack of a haircut.

BIGGEST MISER?

I don't know the lads too well yet, but everyone says Danny Maddix is long in the pocket.

WHO WOULD YOU NOT ALLOW TO

CHOOSE THE MUSIC ON THE TEAM COACH?

Ex-QPR man Andy
Impey. His taste in
music is awful. At
West Ham he brought
in a ragga tape that
was so bad that the
boys pulled it out of the
cassette player and threw it
out of the coach window.

WORST CAR DRIVER?

I come into to training with Steve Slade each morning. The rest of the lads hammer him for his driving, but I don't think he's that bad.

WORST HABIT?

ERICSSON

When I roomed with
Mark Kennedy for the
away game at
Norwich, he kept me
awake late because I
could hear him eating a
whole packet of
chocolate eclairs.

DRESSING ROOM JOKER?

John Spencer is a funny bloke and one of the main jokers at the club

FANTASY FOOTBALL HEADLINE?

Rowland Scores Winner For Northern Ireland In World Cup Final.

IT'S 0-0 IN THE LAST MINUTE OF THE FA CUP FINAL AND YOU ARE PUT THROUGH WITH ONLY THE 'KEEPER TO BEAT. WHAT HAPPENS NEXT?

I score the winner for QPR with my right foot.

Fact File

Full Name: Keith Rowland

Date of Birth: 1st September 1971

Birthplace: Portadown

> Height: 5'10"

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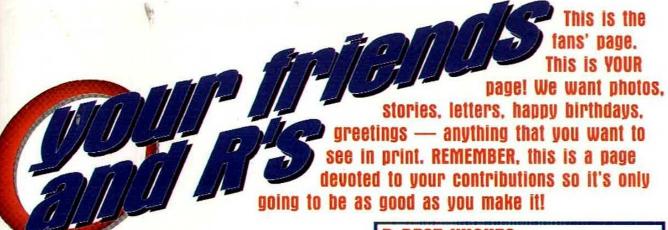
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R GREAT FRIENDS

This is Jim Kavanagh and Danny White celebrating Christmas and of course their love of QPR! They're both here today along with Mike Kavanagh who is celebrating 20 years support, wife Joanne, Danny's girlfriend Claire

and Ron Harman who will be enjoying a belated birthday bash. All of them will be in the Tony Ingham Restaurant before the game.



GENERATION GAME

David West and son Callum are seen here enjoying the best of times. A warm spring afternoon and a glorious R's goal! Callum may appear a little young to appreciate the finer arts of

the beautiful game though he clearly knows when to applaud. Today is actually David's birthday and not only will he and Callum be attending the match but also his Dad and Grandad — four generations of loyal R's fans! Hope you all have a fantastic day.

R BEST WISHES

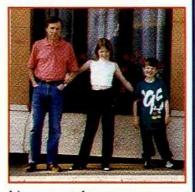
Birthday greetings to two sporty members of the Newbury family! Emma who likes both QPR and Wasps enjoyed her big day on March 1st, whilst sister Claire — a season ticket holder in the Upper Loft — is 13 today.

Also to Ted Dudley who is 65 today. A lifelong supporter, he apparently can't wait to get his freedom (ie bus pass!). From devoted family Tina, Olive and Sue!

Belated birthday greetings to R's fan James Greenstreet who celebrated his 16th on March 4th.

KING OF THE (LOFTUS) ROAD

This is
Peter King
with daughter
Jinny and son
Christopher
— a lifelong
QPR fan who
celebrates his
50th birthday
on Monday!
According to



wife Josephine, his support knows no bounds, so let's hope he can celebrate his big day with another win for the R's!

DAVE AND HIS DORETER

Another Lifelong R's fan celebrating his birthday is Dave Dore who is the recipient of this somewhat cryptic greeting!

"Happy Birthday Dave (B.E.T.), have a brilliant day. All my love Jean (C.H.)" No prizes for working that out in case you wondered!



BACK IN THE PINK

Welcome to Steve Pink is attending his first QPR game in three years since emigrating to Australia. Best wishes to you and wife Sam from all your mates in the East Paddock — Jeff, Andrew and Des. It's good to have you back!

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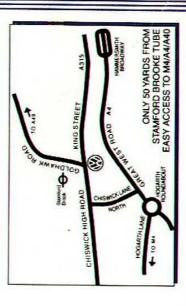
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his has not been the most memorable season for QPR fans with highlights few and far between, but certainly last Wednesday's home game against Middlesbrough did much to make up for a disappointing season. Those fans that attended the mid-week game witnessed a Rangers performance the like of which we have not seen since the heady days of several years ago when we were in the upper reaches of the Premier League.

The fact that we scored five goals against a team who confidently expect to be holding their own in the Premier League next season and who have already reached one Wembley cup final, shows that on our day we can be a match for any team in the country. We have a very young squad of players and it was particularly encouraging how well Paul Bruce

performed when he had to come on as substitute following the injury to another one of our young players, Mark Perry. Our run of improved form in general is continuing and although we came away empty handed from St. Andrews, we were up against a Birmingham City side who are the current form side in Division One and could well also be playing Premier League football next season.

Of course it must be said that the contribution Mark Kennedy made in his short time with us was a real bonus and I, along with all other Rangers fans, was very upset to see him recalled by Liverpool. On the Kennedy front, many different comments have been made by various different newspapers. The simple situation is that Liverpool wanted him back because of the injury to Robbie Fowler and when he came on after 31 minutes last Saturday according to most reports he helped to turn the game around in Liverpool's favour. It is unlikely he will be leaving Liverpool in the short term and obviously a player of his quality would attract a significant amount of interest, including from Premier League

of being in the Premier League next season. Not withstanding this, and with the limited funds we currently have available, if there is any chance of bringing Mark back to Loftus Road on a permanent basis we would do whatever we could do to be able

clubs or clubs with a good chance

to reach an agreement with Liverpool, and with the player himself, if this were at all possible.

In the meantime we face a very difficult fixture today against a Swindon Town team who we have yet to beat at Loftus Road in any competition over the last few years. Three points today is of vital importance in order that we can pull away from the bottom of the table and to allow Ray Harford to continue to experiment with the side so that we know what we need for next season to be able to launch a sustained promotion bid.

Which QPR team will turn up to play today? The team that beat Middlesbrough 5-0 or the team which ten days before had lost 1-0 at home to Port Vale? Let's all hope it is the former rather than the latter.

Chris Wright

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RESERVES

The reserves drew 3-3 against Wattord at Loftus Road on Thursday of last week. John Spencer netted twice and Damien Franklin was the other scorer.

John Hollins said: "Goals were flying in at all angles, but it was a poor performance by us. We were a little bit disjointed. It was pouring with rain, but the pitch is



DAMIEN FRANKLIN — LOOKED GOOD IN THE RESERVES

excellent and provides a good surface to play on. We were up against a very young Watford side, but they deserve credit because they came out and played well and deserved their point. Our keeper Richard Hurst was busy. Both sides scored a penalty, and all round it was frustrating after a great win for the first-team the night before against Middlesbrough, as I wanted to carry that through and get a good result under our belt in the

Combination. We had a few young players coming in from the youth team, which was a bonus for them, and they looked quite sharp. Damien Franklin in particular did well and scored a good goal."

Team: Richard
Hurst, Perry
Norman, Trevor
Challis, Rik Lopez
(Angelo Lione),
Matthew Rose,
Danny Maddix, John
Spencer (Carlos
Brown), Mark
Graham, Matthew
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(Ben Burrows),
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QPR	27	9	9	9	41	35	30	6
Wimbledon	25	10	5	10	32	29	35	3
Millwall	26	10	5	11	30	35	35	-5
Crystal Palace	24	11	1	12	34	33	34	1
Southampton	23	8	9	6	39	30	33	5
Ipswich T	23	8	7	8	36	43	31	-7
Portsmouth	24	8	8	10	30	34	30	-8
Chelsea	27	7	9	11	36	46	30	-10
Luton T	23	7	6	10	30	33	27	-3
Swindon T	25	7	3	15	38	48	24	-10
Watford	22	5	8	9	24	38	23	-14
West Ham Utd	23	5	5	13	26	45	20	-19
Brighton & HA	. 21	1	6	14	18	58	9	-40

YOUTH

RANGERS lost 2-0 at home to Chelsea in the FA Premier Youth League.

Team: Paul Hart, John Newall, Ben Roostan, David Whittle, Karl Owen, Richard Langley, Rik Lopez, Wayne Purser, Michael Currie, Leon Jeanne (Daniel Wright), Richard Spiller. Subs not used: Carlos Brown, Barry Andrews.

DAMIEN FRANKLIN was the matchwinner for Rangers in the 1-0 home win over Spurs in the South East Counties League.

Team: Sean O'Connor, Perry Norman, Daniel Baglioni, Oliver Burgess, Kevin McCormack, Rickey Browne, Adam Rustem, Angelo Lione, Justin Cochrane (James Spencer), Damien Franklin, Alvin Bubb (Ben Walshe). Sub not used: Peter Anderson.

FA PREMIER YOUTH LEAGUE

(Up to and including 7/3/98)
SOUTHERN CONFERENCE

	Pld	W	D	L	F	A	Pts	GD
Arsenal	18	12	3	3	50	17	39	33
Southampton	18	9	3	6	36	34	30)	2
Crystal Palace	18	8	3	7	33	24	27	9
Tottenham H.	17	6	6	5	28	30	24	-2
QPR	18	6	5	7	30	25	23	5
Chelsea	18	5	7	6	30	30	22	0
West Ham Utd	17	6	3	7	29	33	21	4
Wimbledon	18	5	4	9	15	27	19	-12

NORTHERN CONFERENCE

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	Pld	W	D	L	F	A	Pts	GD
Middlesbrough	17	8	4	5	34	29	28	5
Sheffield Wed.	16	8	3	5	28	24	27	4
Notim Forest	17	8	3	6	32	31	27	1
Sunderland	17	8	2	7	33	25	26	8
Coventry City	17	6	3	8	19	38	21	-19
Derby County	16	4	6	6	24	31	18	7
Leeds United	17	3	8	6	36	38	17	-2
Barnsley	17	3	3	11	14	35	12	-21



LEON JEANNE - WELSH CALL UP

PREMIER YOUTH LEAGUE FIXTURES 1997/98

Sat	Sep	13	Nottingham Forest	2-3
Sat	Sep	20	Middlesbrough	0-2
Sat	Sep	27	Barnsley	4-1
Sat	Oct	4	Sheffield Wednesday	3-3
Sat	Oct	18	West Ham United	3-1
Sat	Oct	25	Wimbledon	2-0
Sat	Nov	1	Tottenham Hotspur	6-0
Sat	Nov	8	Crystal Palace	0-1
Sat	Nov	22	Chelsea	2-1
Sat	Nov	29	Arsenal	1-1
Sat	Dec	6	Southampton	0-2
Sat	Dec	13	West Ham United	2-3
Sat	Dec	20	Coventry City	0-0
Sat	Jan	24	Wimbledon	0-0
Sat	Jan	31	Tottenham Hotspur	1-1
Sat	Feb	14	Crystal Palace	3-2
Sat	Feb	28	Chelsea	0-2
Sat	Mar	7	Arsenal	1-2
Sat	Mar	14	Southampton	H
Sat	Mar	21	Leeds United	Α
Sat	Mar	28	Sunderland	H
Sat	Apr	4	Derby County	H
Sat	Apr	25	Play-off Round One	
Sat	May	2	Play-off Round Two	
Wed	May	13	Play-off Semi-Final	
Wed	May	20	Play-off Final (1)	
Wed	May	27	Play-off Final (2)	

SOUTH EAST COUNTIES LEAGUE DIVISION ONE SEASON 1997/98

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Sat 16	H	Southend United	W 2-1
Sat 23	H	Gillingham	W 3-1
		Crystal Palace	W 4-0
SEPTE	11	DED.	11 4-0
Sat 13	A	Brentford	
			W 4-3
Tue 16	H	Cardiff City	W 4-1
		(SJFC 1st Rd)	
Sat 20	H	Charlton Athletic	L 0-3
Sat 27	п	Millwall	L 0-1
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		Ipswich Town	
Tues 7	H		W 6-2
		(SJFC 2nd Rd)	
Sat 11	H	Cambridge United	D 2-2
Sat 18	1	Fulham	L 0-2
Jat 10		(League Cup 2nd Rd)	L 0-2
	97		
		Tottenham Hotspur	L 1-3
MOVE			
Sat 1	H	Fulham	L 0-2
Sat 15	H	Norwich City	L 0-2
Wed 19		Norwich City	D 2-2
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		Watford	W 4-2
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DAVID WHITTLE was the scorer in Rangers' 2-1 defeat at Arsenal in the FA Premier Youth League on Saturday.

Team: Paul Hart, Ben Roostan (Ben Burrows), Karl Owen, Richard Graham, David Whittle, Richard Langley, Wayne Purser, Rik Lopez (Carlos Brown), Michael Currie, Leon Jeanne (Daniel Wright), Richard Spiller.

RANGERS lost 3-1 at Fulham in the SECL on Saturday with Perry Norman on the scoresheet.

Team: Sean O'Connor, Perry Norman, Daniel Baglioni, Oliver Burgess, Kevin McCormack, Rickey Browne, Adam Rustem, Angelo Lione(Alex Dick), Justin Cochrane(James Spencer), Damien Franklin, Alvin Bubb(Ben Walshe).

R'S STRIKER Leon Jeanne has been named in the Wales Under-18 squad to play in the 1998 Paolo Valenti International Tournament in Italy next month.

Wales will be managed by Bobby Gould for the tournament. There are games against the USA, Switzerland and Norway between April 6 and 8, followed by play-off and final matches.

THE Youth team are at home to Crystal Palace in the Southern Junior Floodlit Cup on Tuesday, March 24, kick-off 7pm at Loftus Road. Admission £3 Adults, £1 Concessions. Season Tickets are not valid.

Youth team coach Warren Neill says: "The players will appreciate good support on the night. Cheer us on and we'll be doing our best to reach the final."

WOMEN

QPR WOMEN 6 Croydon Ladies reserves 4

QPR got back to winning ways



PAUL MANSFIELD —
DELIGHTED WITH HIS YOUTHFUL
FRONT LINE

South East Counties League & Southern Junior Floodlit Cup Division One

> and reached the quarter-finals of the League Cup following a goaldrenched clash at Twyford Avenue. A bright start from the R's brought an inevitable conclusion with Chantelle White putting the R's ahead with a spectacular 30 yard lob. The sides then exchanged a goal apiece before Archin-Acquaal made it 3-1 towards the end of the half.

> The visitors pulled another back early in the second period only for White to re-establish the R's authority with two clinical strikes. At 5-2 the visitors seemed dead and buried yet showed a lot of pluck in knocking in two further goals either side of White's fourth of the game — a magnificent performance from the 14 year-old. Manager Paul Mansfield was delighted with the performance despite the see-saw nature of the goalscoring.

"It was a great game and I'm delighted for our two young forwards who were brilliant today."

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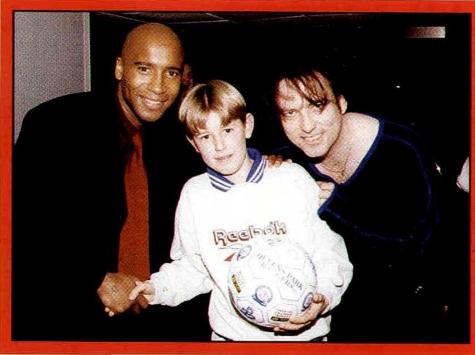








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A Cure for all IIIs

Our Matchball Sponsors for the Middlesbrough game — 'Smith Music Co Ltd' were represented by none other than Robert Smith, lead singer of The Cure! Robert is a lifelong R's fan and along with Smith Music's mascot Christopher Poole, had a great evening watching our famous victory and meeting stars such as Danny Maddix.

A Hat-Trick Of Heroes

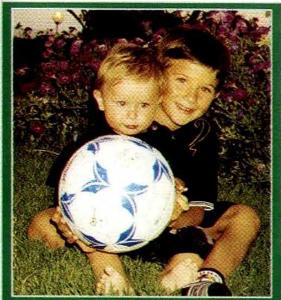


Lifelong QPR season ticket holder, Peter Townsend was treated to a special evening out at the Sheffield United match. After the match he received a further treat, being able to meet his all time heroes Rodney Marsh, Phil Parkes and Stan Bowles.

'Ericsson Soccer Camp'

Many thanks to today's Matchday Sponsors 'Ericsson Soccer Camp'. Ericsson are not only sponsors of today's match against Swindon but also regularly co-ordinate Soccer Camps at our training ground for the children of some of their major clients. Indeed this morning 30 children received coaching tips from QPR legend Stan Bowles, current star Paul Murray and QPR's very own 'Football In The Community' coaches as part of the scheme.

Rangers On The Net — www.qpr.co.uk



Mascot Duty

The mascot for today's Matchball Sponsors, Le Coq Sportif is eight year-old Nicholas Gilbert pictured above with his baby brother Andrew. His favourite player is Kevin Gallen so let's hope he's on the scoresheet today!

Today's Match Sponsor's mascot is 13 yearold Chris Barton. He currently attends Hayden School in Pinner and his favourite player is Mike Sheron. Enjoy your day Chris.



Bowled Over By QPR

This is Matthew Smith, another of today's Matchball Sponsors mascots. Matthew is actually 11 today! and currently attends Moulsford Prep School. As well as being a keen footballer he also enjoys rugby and bowls a sport with a strict 'no under tens' rule that makes him one of the youngest players in the country. He is also a Junior R and rates Kevin Gallen and Paul Murray as his favourite players. Enjoy the game.

Birthday Boy

A Happy 10th
birthday to Steven
Tempest, son of QPR
Patron Roy. Steven
currently attends Salcomb
Preparatory School where he is
leading scorer for the first-team!
His favourite player is Gavin
Peacock — have a great day!

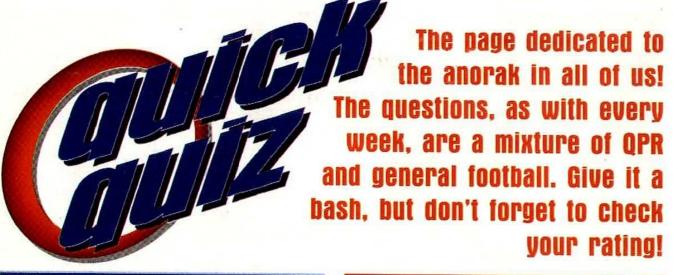


Happy 50th birthday to David Glaze who is enjoying today's game in one of our executive boxes — with much love from Lesley and family

Ever Ready Karl

After a month of consistent performances for the R's, Karl Ready was delighted to receive a well deserved award as February's player of the month,





THE STORY SO FAR

It's been another eventful season here at Loftus Road with all number of highs (Middlesbrough?) and lows (Tranmere?) But how much of it can you recall? Well now's your chance to find out! Below are ten questions about QPR's season so far.

- 1) Who scored our first goal of the season and who against? (Half a point for each)
- 2) Which goalkeeper has made more appearances this season - Tony Roberts or Lee Harper?
- 3) Before last Wednesday's glorious evening, the most goals we had scored in a game was three. This happened twice against the same team who?
- 4) Which was John Hollins' first game in charge?
- 5) Which was Ray Harford's first game in charge?
- 6) George Kulcsar made his debut and was sunbsequently injured against which side?
- 7) The R's beat the then league leaders 2-0 at Loftus Road in September. Who were they?
- 8) Which player has started most times on the subs bench this season?

And finally a couple of questions about that heady night last week....

- 9) Who was the unfortunate 'Boro player to put through his own net?
- 10) Ignoring the half-time break how many minutes elapsed between the first and the fifth goal? (We'll give you three minutes either way),

IN THE BEGINNING....

Below are a selection of QPR heroes and next to them are the League clubs they began their careers with. But guess what? Of course! we've jumbled them up. Show off your knowledge of R's stars by matching the correct players to the correct teams.

1) Sieve Morrow

2) Paul Murray

3) Steve Vates

4) Steve Slade

5) George Kulcsar

A) Carliste

B) Tottenham

C) Arsenal

D) Antwerd

E) Bristol Rovers

ANAGRAM AGONY

Who are these confused players? Two are Premiership stars, whilst one plies his trade in the First Division.

> LOYAL CORN STEM ED EX LION SUE TV BELL

HALF-TIME TEASER

15 English League Clubs have the word 'City' in their name. How many can you name?

How did you do with that tricky 33? Check your rating...

26-33 Premiership Powerhouse

17-25 Play-Off Potential

8-15 Lower Division Let Down

Non-League Nobody

Hull and Exeter.

Covenity, Birmingham, Stoke, Norwich, Manchester City, Bradford, Bristol City, York, Swansea, Chester, Cardiff, Lincoln, 2) A. 3) E. 4) B. 5) D. ANAGRAM ACONY. Stan Collymore, Lee Dixon, Steve Bull. HALF-TIME TEASER: Letcester, City, 6) Bradford City, 7) West Brom, 8) Steve Slade, 9) Steve Vickers, 10) 22 minutes, IN THE BEGINNING: 1) C, ANSWERS: THE STORY SO FAR: 1) Gavin Peacock & Tranmete, 2) Lee Harper, 3) Crewe, 4) Stoke City, 5) Norwich

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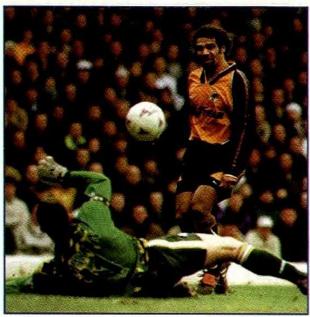
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Wolves Dream of Wemblev



DON GOODMAN — KEPT WOLVES — AND DIVISION ONE contact with Keane, - IN THE HUNT FOR FA CUP GLORY

It's 38 years since Wolves last won the FA Cup and 17 since they even reached the semi-finals until last weekend that is. The shock result of the Ouarter-Finals unfolded at Elland Road, Leeds with Mark McGhee's men grinding out a hugely professional win against a side who many fancied for glory. As a game, it took 82 minutes to come to life and then positively exploded following Don Goodman's late winner. Goodman, the Leeds born former Elland Road ballboy, provided the story of the round with an ice cool finish from Carl Robinson's slide-rule pass. But if the travelling hordes

Country thought their passage to the last four was now secure, they were in for a shock. With only two minutes remaining Jimmy Floyd Hasselbaink burst into the Wolves area only to be stopped in his tracks by a rash challenge from substitute Robbie Keane. Although the Leeds forward seemed to be on his way down making before referee Paul Durkin pointed straight to

the spot and it was Hasselbaink himself who stepped up to save the day. Yet the hero's mantle was destined for elsewhere and it was a Dutch goalkeeper — whose light had faded somewhat recently that seized the day. Hans Segers palmed away the spot-kick paving the way for Wolves first semi-final appearance since they lost to a Ricky Villa-inspired Spurs back in 1981. As for owner Jack Hayward, over from the Bahamas especially for the game, his dream of FA Cup glory has moved that one step closer.

Wolves aren't the only Nationwide League side dreaming of Wembley though. Sheffield United, without Nigel Spackman, forced an impressive draw at Premiership Coventry and will now relish the chance to take them back to Bramall Lane for a replay on Wednesday night. New boss Steve Thompson oversaw a battling performance against a side tipped by many to get to Wembley and the spirit his new charges showed will give him fresh hope for the task ahead. A Dion Dublin penalty gave Coventry the lead yet The Blades retaliated with a goal from former Benfica front man Marcelo and could even have won the game in the last minute. Petr Katchouro charged down an attempted clearance from Steve Ogrizovic only to strike the post from an acute angle with the goal empty. Nevertheless a fine effort from United who have a great chance to join fellow promotion chasers, Wolves in the semi-finals — it's six years since more than one side from outside the top flight made it to the last four.

Away from the spotlight of the FA Cup two of Division One's pacesetters quietly got on with securing three more valuable points - both with thumping victories against two of the division's better sides. Nottingham Forest moved three points clear of the rest with

a convincing 4-1 win at Crewe - all the goals coming in a frenetic first 45 minutes. Chris Bart-Williams opened the scoring for the visitors on ten minutes, though this was only the prelude to a feast of goals, led by Kevin Campbell whose 15-minute hattrick simply blew the Railwaymen away. Colin Little pulled one back before Campbell completed his trio, but for Forest, who coasted

Forest And Sunderland Roll On

through the remainder of the game, this was the perfect tonic for their disappointing home defeat by Sunderland in midweek. The Wearsiders, meanwhile moved into the top two for the first time this season, displacing inactive Middlesbrough. Peter Reid's men also racked up an impressive 4-1 victory, this time against play-off hopefuls, Stockport. The majority of the action took place in the second period at the Stadium of Light with Niall Quinn adding two more to his 42nd minute opener and Kevin Phillips completing the rout late on. Brett Angell's 21st of the season was scant consolation for Gary Megson's dejected troops.

Birmingham's slender victory over the R's keeps them in the frame, behind Ipswich and Charlton who fought out a real sixpointer at Portman Road. Town, with 15 goals in their last three home games looked to maintain their blistering form of recent weeks and that they did. David Johnson rounding off the scoring in a 3-1 win after Clive Mendonca had given the Addicks an early lead.

At the bottom, things just get tighter with three points currently separating the bottom seven sides. Huddersfield, Portsmouth, Port Vale and Bury can all breathe a little easier after crucial wins, although for Manchester City and Stoke the pulses are quickening. Stoke lost a real six pointer at home to The Terriers, whilst Malcolm Shotton's Oxford won at Maine Road to plunge Joe Royle's men into further trouble.



NIALL QUINN — CONDEMNED STOCKPORT TO A DARK DAY AT THE STADIUM OF LIGHT

Nationwide FOOTBALL LEAGUE	

Division 1 Stats

the 97/98 season

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Results and Fixtures (as at 10th March)

Fixture dates are italicised (e.g. 4.5 is 4th May), results are in bold,	Birminghan	Bradford	Bury	Charlton	Crewe	Huddersfiel	Ipswich	Man City	Middlesbor	Norwich	Forest	Oxford	Port Vale	Portsmouth	QPR	Reading	Sheff Utd	Stockport	Stoke	Sunderland	Swindon	Tranmere	West Brom	Wolves
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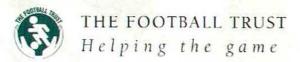
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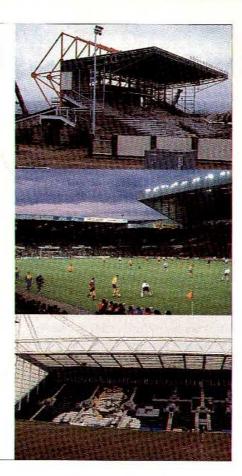
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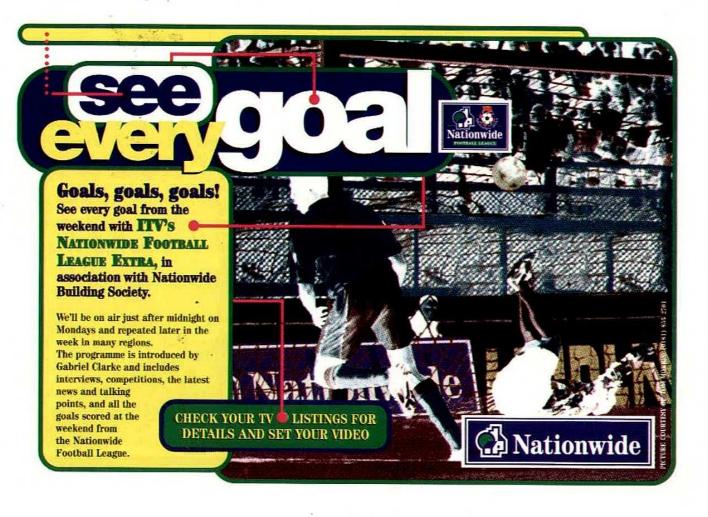
Thanks to the Government and to the Football Association, the FA Premier League and the English Sports Council, a major new funding package to secure the future of the Trust has been put in place.

These funds will be in addition to income derived from the football pools companies Littlewoods, Vernons and Zetters, and will enable the Trust to complete its Taylor task, carry on its essential safety work and continue to grant aid football at every level. The Government's commitment to the Trust has the support of everyone who cares about our national game.



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We can only succeed in removing these people from the stadium with your help. Quite simply the onus is on you to tell us who they are and we as a club will take the necessary action.

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Safety is of paramount importance and we will not allow spectators to act in any way that may put others or themselves at risk.

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The five key roles of a steward are:

- Directing members of the public who are entering or leaving the ground and helping to achieve an even flow of people in the viewing areas to ensure that no overcrowding in any area occurs.
- Patrolling or manning their designated post in the ground and to be ready to deal with any emergency that might occur, knowing how to raise the alarm and to use a fire extinguisher.
- To man all entrances/exits and other strategic points, especially exit gates that are not continuously open whilst the ground is in use.
- To assist the police and/or crowd stewards as required to ensure safety and control of all spectators before during and after an event.
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s this curious season heads towards its conclusion, the R's next two fixtures take them to clubs struggling in their exotic surrounds. Both Huddersfield and Stoke are fighting for their First Division lives and will see Ray Harford's men as perfect targets for their short term ambition hovering as we are just above the relegation battle. Chris Kamara's new charges have had a tumultuous season having begun the campaign in such optimistic mood. The opening of their state of the art Britannia Stadium intended to herald better times in The Potteries and despite the loss of top goalscorer Mike Sheron, the signs were good after a couple of valiant promotion challenges in previous seasons.



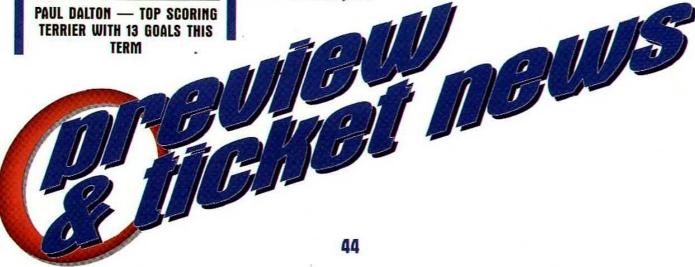
The opening few months were at best anonymous after an opening day win at Middlesbrough, although the signs were that this side was too good to go down. Since Christmas though, things have got steadily worse and defeat after defeat have sucked the side down to the bottom three. The 7-0 defeat at home to Birmingham being the worst of a season that has yet to deliver. Following the relegation of Chic Bates to a coaching role, Chris Kamara has been charged with turning things round. As of yet though, the magic he worked at Bradford has yet to rub off despite the presence of impressive strike duo Peter Thorne and Paul Stewart and the promise of former Middlesbrough midfielder Graham Kavanagh. Time is running out and QPR could find themselves in a battle royal on Saturday, March 21st as this great old club fights for its First Division life.

Similarly Huddersfield - who we visit a week later — can boast a fantastic new arena, the McAlpine Stadium, and a change of management since the season's start. Brian Horton's departure two months in came after a truly terrible start which saw The Terriers fail to win any of their first 13 games. The arrival of former playing hero Peter Jackson as boss seemed to be doing the trick though as Wayne Allison and Marcus Stewart found their goalscoring boots and Huddersfield climbed the table. Both Oxford and Crewe suffered five-goal maulings at the hands of a revitalised Terriers outfit with the latter actually feeling the force in their own back yard.



GRAHAM KAVANAGH — STOKE
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Nevertheless a run of inconsistent results has seen them slip back into the relegation mire and after working hard to pull clear, it looks like they'll have to do it all over again. Another tough trip in prospect for Ray Harford's men then - part of a series of games against teams with everything still to play for. A glance at the fixture list sees very few opponents whose seasons are all but over - be it at the top or the bottom of the table - and the R's know they'll have to be at their battling best to ensure a happy ending to this campaign.



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WOLVERHAMPTON

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FIXTURE RE-ARRANGEMENT DUE TO WOLVES FA CUP COMMITMENTS

(VOUCHER NUMBER 21)
CATEGORY A PRICES
MATIONWIDE LEAGUE DIVISION ONE
WEDNESDAY 1ST APRIL K.O. 7.45PM

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NATIONWIDE LEAGUE DIVISION ONE
SUNDAY MAY 3RD K.O. 3PM

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Depart Huddersfield 17.28, arrive Manchester 17.58, depart Manchester 18.30, arrive Euston 21.12.

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All matches are classed as category 'B' with the exception of those that will be announced in the club programme two months before the date of the game.

QUEENS PARK RANGERS

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Fri	15	Tranmere Rovers	1-2	7.467	16	Harper	Perro	Brevett	Barker	Rose	Morrow	Spencer	Peacock 0
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Fri	26	Portsmouth -	1-3	12,314	12	Roberts	Yates	Brevett	Kulcsar	Ready	Maddix	Spencer	Peacock O
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Tue		Middlesbrough (FAC3R)		21,817	12	Harper	Yates	Brevett	Quashie	Morrow	Ready	Spencer*	Peacock
Sat	17	Tranmere Rovers	0-0	12,033	13	Harper	Yates	Brevett	Quashie	Ready	Morrow	Murray	Peacock
Sat	24	Nottingham Forest	0-1	13,220	14	Harper	Yates	Brevett	Quashie	Ready	Morrow	Spencer	Peacock
		Stockport County,	0-2	7,958	17	Harper	Yates	Rowland	Quashie®	Ready	Morrow	Spencer	Peacock
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Sat		Port Vale	0-1	14,198	15	Harper	Yates◆	Rowland	Barker	Ready	Morrow	Murray	Peacock
		Sheffield United	2-2	9,560	15	Harper	Bardsley	Rowland	Kulcsar	Ready	Morrow 🌯 🗸	Murray	Peacock
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Sat 28 Huddersfield Town

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Wed 1 Wolves

Fri 10 Sunderland

Tue 14 Oxford United

Sun 19 Bradford City

Sat 25 Manchester City

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Sun 3 Bury

Home games appear in blue. Goal scorers shown with a ● with number of goals scored. S=Booking ●=Sent Off. =Own Goal. CCC=Coca Cola Cup. FAC=F.A. Cup. Players replaced have either ■, ▲ or ◆ (12, 13, 14) after them for substitutes used.

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Миттау	Sheron	Sinclair	Spencer	Mahoney-Johnson	Brevett®
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Ticket prices:

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Sunderland	36	10	6	2	38	17	10	3	5	29	21	69
Charlton	36	12	4	1	36	14	6	4	9	27	32	62
Ipswich	36	9	4	4	33	17	6	9	4	26	21	58
Birmingham	37	8	6	4	21	12	7	7	5	29	19	58
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Stockport	37	12	5	1	41	16	4	1	14	19	37	54
Wolves	34	10	5	3	31	18	5	2	9	13	18	52
West Brom	37	8	5	6	19	19	6	4	8	17	23	51
Bradford	37	9	7	2	22	15	3	6	10	16	24	49
Crewe	37	7	2	10	21	30	7	3	8	24	23	47
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Oxford Utd	36	8	5	4	23	15	4	3	12	22	35	44
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Huddersfield	37	6	4	8	21	23	4	5	10	18	34	39
Reading	36	7	4	8	25	27	3	5	9	11	32	39
Port Vale	37	5	6	8	20	21	5	2	11	22	32	38
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