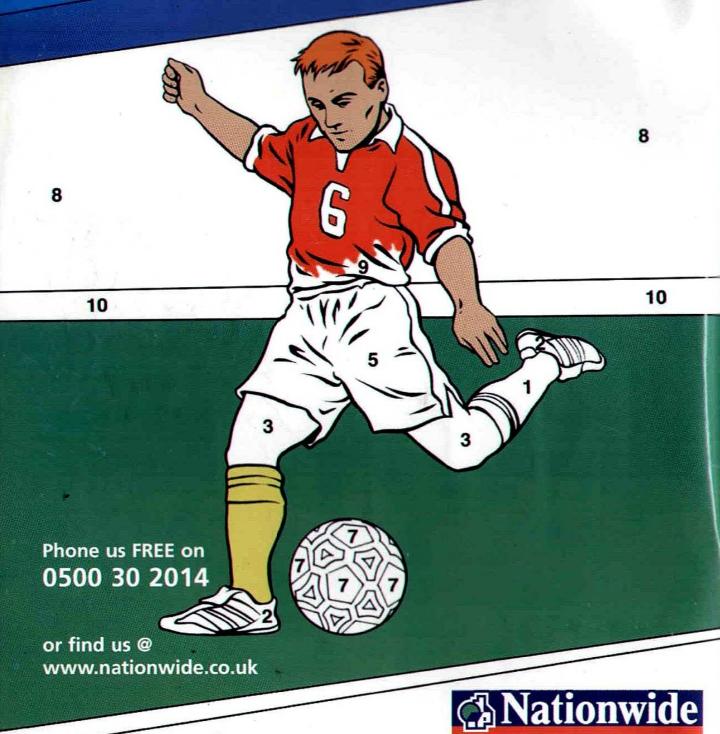


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#### Good afternoon to you all and welcome to today's match against Bolton Wanderers.

YES!!! That's just the sort of result we needed, especially here at the County Ground. A great 2-1 win against Blackburn Rovers gave us our first win at home this season and although it has taken some time, it was worth the wait. The team showed the sort of spirit and commitment that has been present for the last few weeks, but this time it was



coupled with a bit of luck from a corner and a well finished goal from Bobby Howe. The defence was solid and looked comfortable until the final ten

minutes when Blackburn piled on the pressure. The County Ground fans generated a magnificent atmosphere, it lifted the team and spurred them on to victory.

A few days previous against Port Vale, we didn't score and it emphasised our problems in front of goal. We dominated the shots on/off target, corners and could boast more than the lion's share of position but could turn it into all-important goals.

The win against Blackburn has lifted the whole club and now we know we are capable of beating the big clubs in this league and hopefully they will not enjoy their trips to the County Ground. In our last two home games we have played both Nottingham Forest and Blackburn Rovers and come away with four points. I don't think many teams will boast that record against those teams this season. The home win came at the beginning of three consecutive home fixtures, the team can now continue this form against Bolton here today and Stockport County next week. No doubt the fans will be behind the lads and hopefully an even bigger crowd will cheer us on to another home win.

Today's match is a hard one to call, Bolton's long-time manager Colin Todd resigned last week and they sold one of their most influential players in Per Frandsen to Blackburn. They showed good spirit last Saturday to snatch a 3-2 victory against Nottingham Forest after both Todd and Frandsen had departed. This will either be a good time to play



them because their results have been patchy and because they are in transition or, it will be a tough test because each player will be out to impress the new

manager **Phil Brown** and will be playing for their place in the side.

Bolton will be counting themselves unlucky not to be in the Premiership and will be watching Watford's progress this season with a smattering of distaste. The Hornets snatched an unlikely 1-0 victory in last season's play-off final, which left Bolton smarting and broke their yo-yo sequence with the Premiership in the wrong way.

Swindon Town would like to welcome Phil Brown, plus all the supporters directors and staff who have travelled down from Lancashire.

Last season this fixture produced a thrilling 3-3 draw and hopefully today's game will match up to that, without Bolton scoring an equaliser in the 77th minutel

## Graz back

Giuliano Grazioli returned to action in Tuesday nights win over Blackburn Rovers. Much to the delight of the County Ground fans, Graz made an 89th minute appearance to signal his return to fitness. All being well he could be in today's starting line-up to face Bolton Wanderers.



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# jim quinn's comment

# What a difference a few days make, what a funny game football is.

The reason I say this is that against Port Vale we played good football and lost. Against Blackburn we didn't actually play that well and won. Winning is what it's all about and the confidence that it brings. Today we play a Bolton Wanderers side who are going through a few changes, players and a manager have gone, new people have taken over but I'm sure they will provide stiff opposition today.

The support we have had in the last two or three games at home has been exceptional. Your support is so important to the team, the atmosphere at Nottingham Forest and Blackburn was like it was when I played here in the 80s. While we have struggled result-wise lately, we have played some good football and it's having the belief that if you keep going you will get the right results eventually.

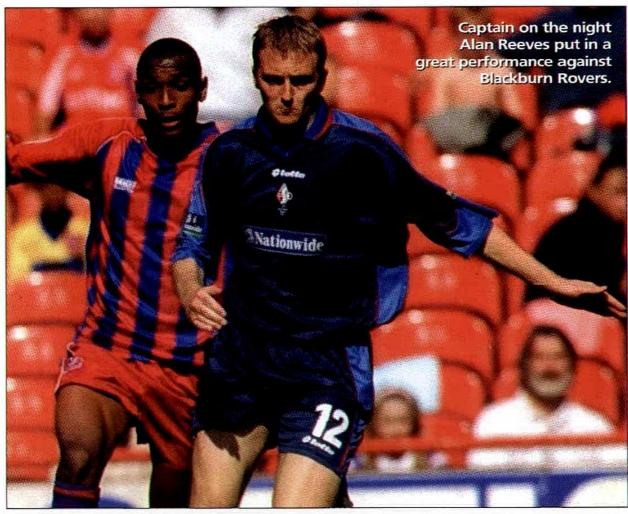
I would like to welcome Phil Brown to the County Ground today with his players, staff and directors. I hope Phil does well in his new position after today of course!

Once again thanks for your brilliant support.

Enjoy the game







# today's Visitors

One of the twelve founder members of the Football League, Bolton were originally known as Christ Church when they were formed in 1874. Their present name was adopted in 1877 and has become one of the best known and most respected in English football.

After short spells at The Park Recreation Ground, Cockles field and Pikes Lane, the Wanderers settled at Burnden Park, which was to be their home for 102 years. FA Cup finalists in 1894 and 1904, Bolton were the first winners of the FA Cup at Wembley Stadium in 1923. Further Cup success followed in 1926 and 1929 as the Wanderers lifted the Trophy three times in the first seven years at Wembley.

In the League Bolton enjoyed unbroken spells in the First Division from 1911-33 and 1935-64. Life in the Third Division was experienced for the first time in 1971, although they were promoted again two years later and regained First Division status at the end of the 1977/8 season. By 1987 Bolton were in the Fourth Division for the first time, but for only one season. A succession of good seasons led to promotion into the

Premier League at the end of the 1994/5 season. It also saw Bolton reach the final of the League Cup before losing to Liverpool.

Burnden Park celebrated its Centenary in August 1995 as the club faced some of the finest top division teams. The Premiership dream lasted just one season, but at the start of the 1997/8 season they bounced back into the Premiership after running away with the First Division scoring 100 goals and amassing 98 points. The 1997/8 season also saw the opening of the new Reebok Stadium, but their Premiership stay once again only lasted one season, as they were relegated on goal difference after finishing third from bottom, level on points with Everton.

Losing out by such a narrow margin made the club and its supporters optimistic about a quick return, but they are still waiting. Bolton have started badly this season, and at the time of writing are 18th in the First Division with just one win and five points. Fans will be hoping that a good Cup run can be coupled with an upsurge in League performances.



BACK ROWPer Frandsen; Gudni Bergsson; Keith Branagan; Jussi Jaaskelainen; Steve Banks; Greg Strong; Jimmy Phillips; Claus Jensen. STANDING: Andy Todd; Robbie Elliott; Bo Hansen; Eidur Gudjohnsen; Bob Taylor; Neil Cox; Mike Whitlow; Paul Warhurst. FRONT SEATED: Dean Holdsworth; Michael Johansen; Steve Carroll (reserve team manager); Phil Brown (coach); Colin Todd (manager); Ewan Simpson (physiotherapist); Dean Crombie (chief scout); Faz Page (sports masseur); Ricardo Gardner; Hasney Aljofree.

# dean holdsworth

birthplace Walthamstow
date of birth 08.11.68

height 5ft 11

position

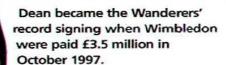
weight 11st 13lbs

previous club records

games	goals
177(16)	76
131(7)	74
	177(16)

forward





The striker began his career with Watford, having loan spells with Carlisle United, Port Vale, Swansea City and Brentford, helping them to win the Third Division championship in 1992, moving to Wimbledon for £720,000 in July of that year. He netted 58 League goals and also won England B honours whilst with The Dons.

birthplace St Andrews
date of birth 25.09.78
height 5ft 9
weight 13st
position midfield

club records

dub games goals

Capable of playing at full back or in midfield, Ricardo joined the Wanderers for a £1 million fee from Harbour View in August 1998.

He made his debut for Harbour View in Kingston as a 14-year-old and was still at school when he made his international debut two years later. He was a regular in the Jamaican side that went undefeated in their World Cup 1998 qualifying programme and then played in all of their games in France. He now has over 30 caps for his country.

ricardo **gardner** 

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The longest serving member of the Wanderers squad, Keith joined the club in June 1992 from Millwall. He began his career with Cambridge United, playing over 100 games before making a £100,000 move to Millwall in March 1988. He has won international recognition for Ireland at both senior and B level.

Robbie Elliott		
date of birth	25.12.73	
height 5ft	10	
weight 1	Ist 6lbs	
position	defender	

A former England youth and Under-21 international, Robbie joined the Wanderers for a £2.5 million fee from Newcastle United in July 1997. He turned professional with Newcastle in April 1991 and went on to play 79 League games for his hometown club.

M	like \	Whitlow
date of b	oirth	13.01.68
height	5ft 1	1
weight	12st	12lbs
position	d	efender

Full-back Mike Whitlow rejoined the Wanderers for a £700,000 fee from Leicester City in October 1997. He began his career with the Wanderers in the mid 1980s without making a League appearance. He missed the final weeks of last season through injury, but has captained the team in pre-season games.



Right full back Neil Cox joined the Wanderers for a £1.2 million fee from Middlesbrough in May 1997. He began his career with hometown club Scurithorpe United, before making a E400,000 move to Aston Villa in 199, where he won a League Cup winners medal. He signed for Middlesbrough in July 1994, becoming the Teesider's first million pound signing.



Capable of playing at right back or in the centre of defence, club captain Gudni began his career with Valur in Iceland before joining Tottenham Hotspur in December 1988 for £100,000. He joined the Wanderers for £115,000 in March 1995 and made his debut against Liverpool

Ji	mmy	/ Phillips
date of	birth	08.02.66
height	5ft 1	
weight	12st	7lbs
position	d	lefender

Full-back Jimmy Phillips is in his second spell with the Wanderers, having come through the club's junior ranks, and will be looking to notch up his 400th first class appearance for the club this coming season. He made his debut for Bolton back in 1984 before going to join Rangers in 1986.



	Ma	rk Fish
date of	birth	14.03.74
height	6ft (	O
weight	125	st 7lbs
position		defender

His First Division debut was in 1992, before moving to the Orlando Pirates in 1993, whom he helped to win the League and African Club Champions Cup, before making a £3 million move to Italian Serie A side Lazio. He joined the Wanderers in 1997 for a E2.3 million fee, and he captained them in the Wembley play-off final last season.

Pau	ıl V	Varhurst
date of bir	th	26.09.69
height 6	ft 0	Ting the same
weight	12st	10lbs
position	n	nidfield

Paul joined Wanderers for an initial £800,000 fee in January 1999 after a successful loan period with the club, although a number of niggling injuries culminated in him missing the play-off final. He won a championship medal at Ewood Park, although injury curtailed his process, and in July 1997 Palace paid £1.2 million for him.

OTHER SQUAD MEMBERS: Hasney Aljofree, Steve Banks, Chris Dawson, Matthew Glennon, Neil Gregson, Bo Hansen, Gary Haveron, Dean Holden, Jussi Jaaskelainen, Peter Morrison, Carl O'Malley, Lee Potter, Alan Power, John Roberts, Gordon Smith, Luke Staton, Greg Strong, Andy Todd.



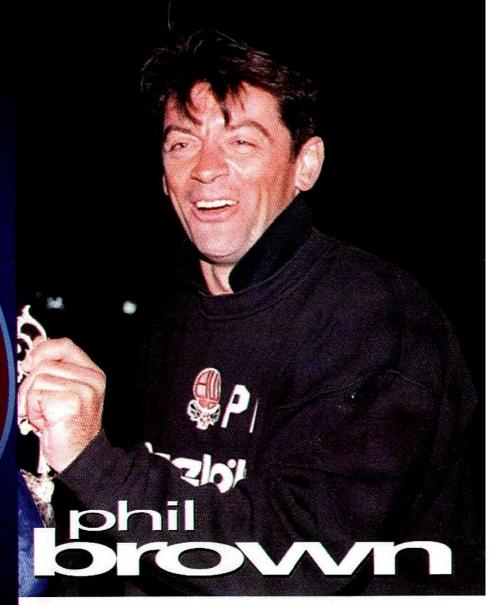
Midfielder Claus Jensen joined the Wanderers for a £1.6 million fee from Lyngby in July 1998. In 1997/98 he was leading goalscorer with 11 League goals, which earned him further Under-21 international recognition having been given his debut in 1996 against Slovenia.



Forward Eidur Gudjohnsen joined the Wanderers in August 1998. He began his career with Valur, scoring seven goals in 17 games during 1994/95, playing in the same side as Wanderers' captain Gudni Bergsson for a spell. He returned to action with KR Raykjavic before became a Bolton regular at the end of the season.



Striker Bob Taylor was the Wanderers leading goalscorer last term. He joined the club in July 1998 on a free transfer from West Bromwich Albion. Bob netted 50 League goals for the Bristl City before making a £300,000 transfer to West Brom, where he scored more than 100 goals.



As a full back, Phil Brown began his League career with Hartlepool United, turning professional in July 1978 and going on to play 217 League games for the north east side.

In July 1985 he joined Halifax Town and clocked up another 135 League games before making £17, 500 move to Bolton in June 1988.

He captained the Wanderers to success in the Sherpa Van Trophy at Wembley in 1989 and played 171 consecutive first class games for the club, captaining the team to promotion from the Second Division in 1993. In 1994 he signed for Blackpool as player/coach and helped them to the Second Division play-offs two vears later.

He returned to the Wanderers at the start of the 1996/97 season as a coach to Colin Todd and helped win promotion to the Premiership.

However, Phil Brown now finds himself in temporary charge of the Bolton Wanderers first team since the surprise resignation of Colin Todd last week.

He is keen to be given the post on a permanent basis and has asked his playing staff to prove that they are capable of achieving success under his guidance.

However, in today's climate the temporary manager is rarely given a chance in favour of a 'big name' manager. With so many top class managers currently out of the game and keen to return to action, it will tough competition for Brown and reports suggest that former Liverpool boss, Roy Evans has put himself forward for the post but like many others may be put off because of Bolton's apparent financial problems. Selling Per Frandsen at a knock-down £1.75m suggests that despite their fantastic stadium their failure to return to the Premiership may have hit them in the pocket harder than expected.

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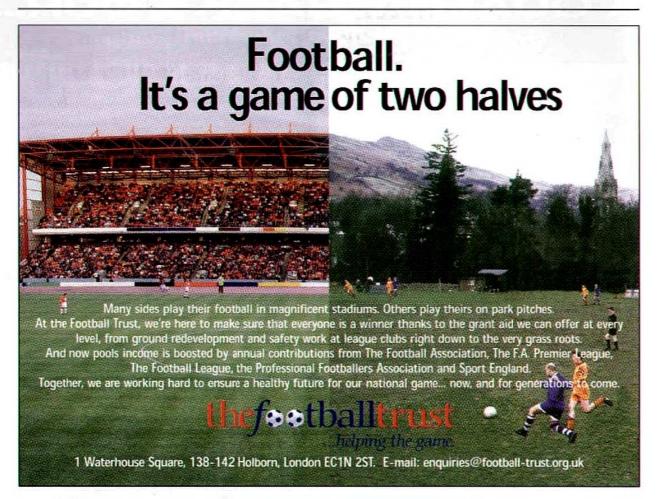
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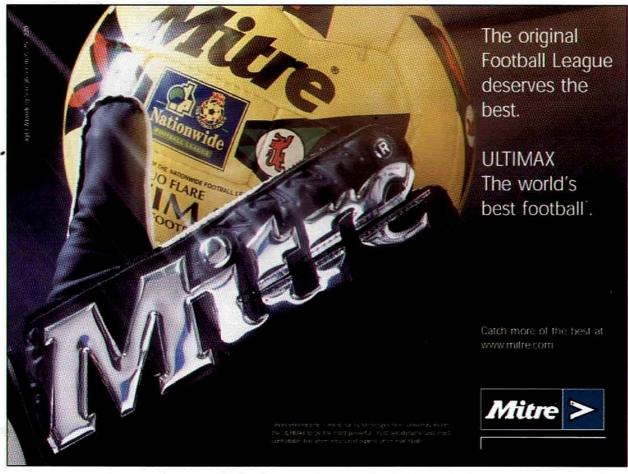
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#### One swallow does not a summer make. But let's forget birdwatching and head for the beach party!

Tuesday night here at the County Ground was one of the most satisfying 90-minutes of Swindon Town action I've seen in quite a while. And as the cold nights start to draw in, and we reach for the thermals and the flasks, what a warming performance it was by all concerned. I'm sure everyone applauds the Town's triumph over Blackburn - and it was doubly satisfying to see a packed Town End enjoying the victory. I was pleased to see Jimmy Glass back between the sticks and thought he had a commendable first half (and a fortunate second!) I for one hope he'll be Jimmy Quinn's first choice this afternoon.

# the gripton

By Jon Gripton, breakfast presenter, BBC Wiltshire Sound B B C WILTSHIRE SOUND

103.6, 104.3 & 103.5 FM

But my main thought as I headed home on Tuesday evening was for Mark Walters. He very nearly got my vote for player of the season last year - only the Roadrunner's dazzling goal tally got in his way. But my view of Wally hasn't changed this season either. He gets my full backing for his presence on the pitch, his vision and his sportsmanlike conduct. In a week where our attention was drawn to the allegations against the American players and fans at the Ryder Cup for being anything but sporting, Mark remains an Ambassador of Football and I hope he sees out his playing days here at Swindon - and stays at the club after that.

My opinion of him was confirmed when he nobly withdrew any claim of responsibility for our first goal against. Blackburn on Tuesday. All of the press gallery, the radio reporters, the PA team and the scoreboard chap thought Mark had got a vital flick-on to net the opener... and it was only TV pictures at full-time that cast any doubt. But with all around him

showering praise, you might have excused Walters for trying to bag himself a scoring bonus. But oh no - in a BBC Wiltshire Sound interview straight after the game, he was quick to point out he'd come close - but sadly no cigar.

Well done for the honesty Mark... I'm sure the goals, and the awards this season, will follow.

Finally just a word from my statto colleagues - did you know George Ndah is officially the second most fouled player in the First Division?

Jim Quinn says it's a sure sign of just how serious a threat our opponents view him as. Let's hope so - and let's hope he continues to run rings round defenders everywhere, in a Red shirt (whatever the rumour-mongers say!)

Enjoy the afternoon. Jon

You can write to Jon Gripton with comments on the Gripton Factor or with messages for his BBC Wiltshire Sound breakfast show, Monday to Friday 6am - 9am, at: PO Box 1234, Swindon.



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Middle Row(left to right): Phil Cannon (Youth Development Officer), Frazer McHugh, Alan McDonald (Assistant Coach), Robin Hulbert, Philippe Cuervo, Charlie Griffin, Jimmy Glass, Frank Talia, Giuliano Grazioli, Mark Robinson, Lee Collins, Dave Moore (Physiotherapist), Steve Cowe, Jimmy Shoulder (Director of Coaching) Front Row(left to right). Dick Mackey (Physiotherapist) , Sol Davis, James Williams, Mark Walters, Gareth Hall, Mike Walsh (Assistant Manager), Back Row(left to right) Craig Taylor, Gareth Davies, George Ndah, Steve Mildenhall, Iffy Onuora, Alan Reeves, Chris Hay, Adam Willis. Jimmy Quinn (Manager), Scott Leitch, Ty Gooden, Bobby Howe, Paul McAreavey, Tom Jones (Youth Team Manager).

#### the editor talks with Mark Walters...

First of all, how's the knee?

I twisted it a bit in the first half against Blackburn and it was really sore for about five minutes but when the decision was made, I felt that I wasn't 100% and couldn't continue. After a while the initial pain went away and, it's feeling fine now and should be fit for the Bolton match.

What can you remember about your Football League debut?

I think it was in the 1981/82 season and I came on as a sub for Villa against Leeds United (18.05.82). Unfortunately we lost 3-1 but at that stage of the season I don't think it had any real bearing on the league. It was the year that Villa won the European Cup final, so it was a fantastic time to play for the club and it was a great experience for me.

What has been the proudest moment in your football career?

The goal I had set myself was to play for England and when I got my England cap it was a fantastic feeling. It was my schoolboy ambition and it was one of the high points of my career.

What has been the best goal you have ever scored?

It was when I played for Villa in a European Cup tie against Spartak Moscow. I picked up the ball in my own half, dribbled it around a three or four players and then struck it with my left foot into the top corner.

What is the best stadium you have played in?

I like Wembley because it is the Mecca of football, everybody knows about the twin towers and I first played there when I was 15-years-old for England schoolboys so it is quite special. Also, the Nou Camp in Barcelona because it is the

most impressive to look at.

What was it like to play in three of Britain's derbies in the Midlands, Merseyside and Glasgow?

In my experience, the Merseyside derby is probably the best footballing game, although the one on Monday was a bit rough, probably because of the situation they both find themselves in. The Glasgow derby between Rangers and Cettic probably has the best atmosphere, it's electric and at times I couldn't hear my teammates when they were two yards away. It's certainly the most nerveracking game I have ever played in. The Midlands derby is big but it still comes third to Merseyside and Glasgow, although it is still very exciting.

How are you finding your new role up front?

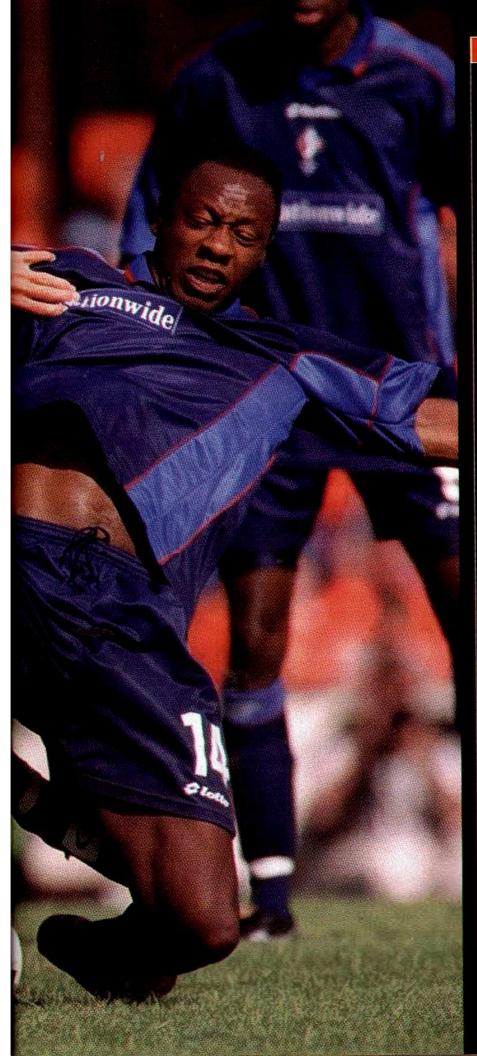
I played there in the early part of my career when I was at Aston Villa and I don't mind playing there at all. I believe that it is a position in which I can utilise my strengths and abilities, so I hope that I pick up a few more goals in that position.

What was the difference on Tuesday and did you score that goal?

The first goal was an own goal but if they want to give it to me, I won't argue too much. We were due a bit of luck because in recent games we've been hitting the woodwork and had efforts cleared off the line. I think the law of averages would suggest that we were due a win, but I must admit that I was getting worried about the amount of times we were outplaying teams and not getting results. The result against Blackburn has given us the confidence to carry on and play in the same spirit and, hopefully, get another win. We need to get on a run of good results and we aim to continue that this Saturday.







## walters

# player **stats**



birthplace

Birmingham

date of birth

02.06.64

height

5ft 10ins

weight

12st 8lbs

position

forward

#### previous dub records

dub	games	goals
Aston Villa	205(18)	48
Glasgow Rangers	138(5)	51
Liverpool	82(42)	18

## getting personal...

favourite film

the nutty professor

favourite tv show

the royale family

favourite band/musician

tupac shakur

favourite sporting event

world cup/copa america

favourite footballer

gianfranco zola

favourite food

caee & saltfish (jamaican)

favourite drink

blackcurrant & min water

favourite hobbies

relaxing with family

favourite colour

blue





today we are addressing many of you who may be attending the County Ground for the first time this season or indeed it may be your first ever visit to the Stadium. Welcome.



As many of you are aware, we have recently urged our own Club members to encourage further support at matches and indeed extended this invitation to the population of Swindon and surrounding area. We must try to get, by whatever means, an increased attendance to support the only First Division team within a radius of 70 miles, a fact of which we should be proud.

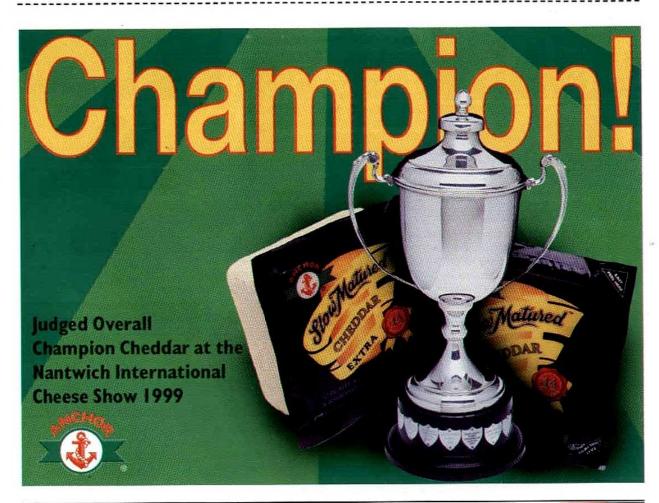
We make no apology in raising issues recently, highlighting changes which stand to affect the level of football in which the team plays but now the focus must quite clearly be on what can be achieved, rather than to sit back and accept our fate. Supporters do have a major part to play and the more that are prepared to contribute, the more chance the Football Club has of retaining a status that it has enjoyed throughout most of the 90s. Now is really the time to stand up and be counted.

A full Stadium generates a great deal of noise and with the Jazz evenings in the Winners lounge proving a success it would, we are sure, add a great deal to the matchday atmosphere if we were able to have similar performances. What we really need, of course, is a number of musicians, amateur or otherwise, who are prepared to spend a little extra time in and around the ground on matchdays.

Please telephone 01747 840721 if interested.

Members are reminded that membership cards may be collected from committee members in the information point from 1.30pm to 2.45pm on matchdays.

Please contact Roger Bunce for more information on 01865 820499.



# community

## with clive maguire and jon holloway



Good afternoon everybody and welcome to today's home game against Bolton Wanderers.

We would like to extend a huge welcome today to our Saturday Team Club visitors who are Ruth Dover and her Under9s from Caterton. Also Tim Page and all his Under10s from Hardwick Rangers. The boys have had a great mornings coaching with Dave Phillips, Luke Sharps, John Padget and Shane Hewlett putting them

through their paces. Let's hope the boys can watch us pick up all three points in this exciting fixture. As you can see the boys are pictured here looking very smart in their respective club colours.







Last Friday Jon and I were very pleased to go to Crowdy's Hill School and put on an hours coaching session with the lads who are doing a six-week coaching programme with us, which goes towards their final exam. The lads put a great deal of effort into the shooting practice. An added extra for the boys was for them to come to the Blackburn Rovers game on Tuesday evening.

The Community Office has expanded and we are pleased to announce that we are now working in conjunction with Swindon College in Regent's Circus. We have also set up a girls coaching session on a Wednesday afternoon at the Oasis, which is taken by our very own Debbie Arrowsmith. Jon and I are also working with the College third team on a. Wednesday afternoon with the side competing in the newly formed Cotswold League. We are both looking forward to the season and seeing if we can improve the side and will keep you posted on their progress.

Tuesday morning saw us welcome a group of students from Newbury College. Annette Duffy brought along 12 students who are doing a project on team building. If you think of a group that you are involved with that may want to come and have a look behind the scenes, please call us on 01793 421303.

Today also marks the launch of a new FA initiative to promote mini soccer leagues. There will be an exhibition at half-time with Worton & Cheverill against Trowbridge Town under 10s who are representing the 'Swindon & District Community Office Mini Soccer League'. Also, welcome to Barry Stephens who is the mini soccer co-ordinator representing the Wiltshire FA.

Until the next time, best wishes Clive and Jon.







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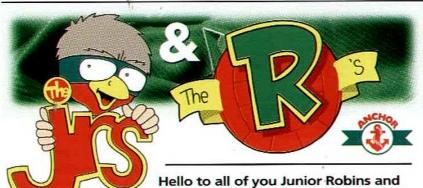
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welcome to today's game. Hello to all you Junior Robins and welcome to today's game. We would like to extend a warm welcome to Bill Longden and his Junior Whites who have travelled down today from Bolton as guests of our Juniors.

If anyone still has not joined the Junior Robins, remember, it is only 2.00 to join this year and listed (right) are the benefits that you receive. You can pick up a membership form from the Club Shop or the Information Centre.

If anyone hasn't yet got their membership cards, you may pick them up from the Supporters' Club representative, who will be in the Information Centre on matchdays between 1.30pm and 2.45pm

The training sessions at the Oasis are very popular, so for any of you who haven't attended yet, it is not too late to join. Come along to the Oasis outdoor pitches on Monday evenings at 5pm. The cost is £2 per person.

Also, don't forget the new date for the disco and we do hope to see you all there along with your friends and family.

If anyone requires further information about the Junior Robins or has any ideas of things we could possibly organise then please contact Kevin on 01793 333757 or write to us C/O Swindon Town F.C., County Ground, County Road, Swindon, SN1 2ED

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JACK PAINTER
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football, cricket and
going fishing. He
likes any N.Ireland
player, so Jim Quinn
should be top of
his list.



11-year-old RYAN COLLETT attends Tregoze Primary School, He plays football for Westlea Wanderers & wants to be the next Michael Owen. Ryan's favourite Town player is George Ndah.





NATHAN RHODES is 7-years-old and comes from Colderry, N.Ireland. He likes tractors, diggers and bicycles as well as football. Nathan also likes all the N.Ireland players.

### MASCOTS BRING LUCK FOR TOWN



TIM HALL really was Swindon's lucky mascot on Tuesday night, Town beating Blackburn 2-1.

Junior Robin MICHAEL LEGG (not pictured) was also a lucky mascot on Tuesday night. 9-year-old Michael lives in Chippenham and his favourite Town player is Iffy Onuora.



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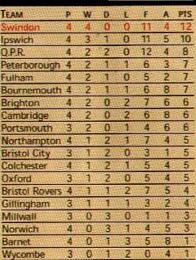
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There was no reserve team fixture this week so it gives us a good opportunity to show you the current standings in the **Avon Insurance Combination** and another look at our up-andcoming fixtures.

## League Table (up to 23.09.99)



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#### Reserve League Fixtures Season 1999/2000

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Wed Aug 18	Cambridge Utd	4-0
WED SEPT 1	NORTHAMPTON T.	2-1
Wed Sept 8	Luton Town	1-0
wed sept 22	BARNET	4-3
Tue Oct 05	Millwall	2.00pm
WED OCT 13	LEYTON ORIENT	2.00PM
WED OCT 27	FULHAM	2.00PM
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WED NOV 17	PORTSMOUTH	2.00PM
Tue Nov 30	Q.P.R.	2.00pm
Wed Dec 08	Oxford United	7.30pm
WED DEC 22	WYCOMBE W.	2.00PM
Wed Jan 12	Brighton & H.A.	7.30pm
WED Jan 19	BOURNEMOUTH	2.00pm
Wed Feb 02	Bristol Rovers	7.30pm
WED FEB 09	NORWICH CITY	2.00PM
Wed Feb 23	Ipswich Town	7.00pm
WED MAR 01	COLCHESTER UTD	2.00PM
WED MAR 15	PETERB'RO UTD	2.00PM
Wed Mar 29	Southend United	7.45pm
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# news from the

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Scott Leitch has gone to Lilleshall for a week for some one-to-one attention. He'll enjoy that and he will no doubt benefit from the intensive treatment. They have very good equipment in these PFA facilities, it gives us a nice option and gives him something else to

think about. I'm sure we're heading in the right direction. The rest has done him good but I think he's been a bit fed-up and sometimes a change of scenery will make the world of difference.



Gareth Hall picked up a groin strain against Port Vale and Gareth Davies sustained an ankle in the same match. Gareth Davies tried it out prior to the Blackburn match but it wasn't quite right. Both he and Gareth Hall should improve over the next couple of days and there is a

possibility that they will both be available for selection.

Since Philippe Cuervo got the go-ahead he has been running around the pitch four times in a single lot, but at this point it is like a marathon for him. It is great to have him going and he is keen to get fit again.

Ty Gooden and Giuliano Grazioli are on

friendly match (Wed 29th), it is a run out

the mend and will compete in a local

recurrences of their respective injuries.

for them to see if there are any

Lee Collins is at last making some good progress and he'sbeen doing some 75% running and I think in my last programme notes had just started walking. Since then he has come on very well and we'll continue to steadily take him through a fitness programme.



Frank Talia has a bit of a back strain and could miss the Bolton match, but we will rest him and monitor his progress.

Sam Campagna has got a slightly twisted knee but he's making decent progress and

should be fit to resume training very soon.



Mark Walters twisted his knee against Blackburn Rovers and decided not to risk worsening the injury by playing on. However, fortunately after the match he felt fine and should be available to face Bolton.



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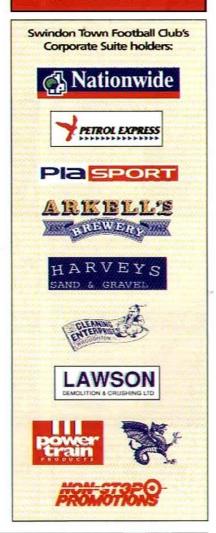
In order to focus on the club's history and traditions, it was decided to add some history to the club's hospitality area by re-naming all the suites after well-known football celebrities who have been associated with Swindon Town.

Suite holders were given the opportunity to nominate a celebrity of their choice and are very excited that the person they have nominated will meet them and their guests during their visit to the club.

On Tuesday night our first celebrity guest Lou Macari met Non-Stop Promotions and Partco before officially naming the 'Lou Macari' Suite.

Look out for details of future guests in forthcoming match magazines.







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Scott Leitch

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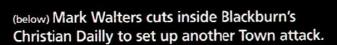
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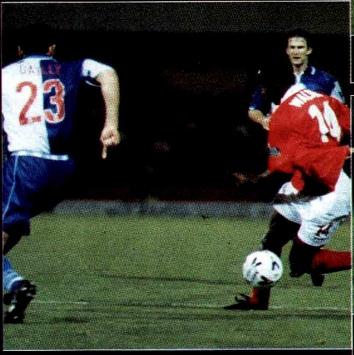


(left)George attempts to distract the Blackburn defender with an impromptu star jump.



Town match winner Bobby Howe sprays the ball wide.





Mark Walters tests Christian Dailly with a swerving run.



Dailly gets there in time to block the cross and Walters twits his knee

# Nationwide

#### Swindon Town 2 Blackburn Rovers 1





# match facts



Date: Tuesday 28th September

Pitch: Good Weather: Rain Attendance: 7,354

Referee: P Taylor (Average)

#### HOW THEY LINED UP

Jimmy Glass, Mark Robinson, Adam Willis, James Williams, Alan Reeves, Andy Williams, Paul Thirlwell, Bobby Howe, Frazer McHugh, George Ndah, Mark Walters. Substitutes: Iffy Onuora (for Walters, 39) Robin Hulbert (for McHugh, 75)

Shots on target: Town 4, Rovers 7
Shots off target: Town 6, Rovers 8
Free Kicks: Town 13, Rovers 11
Caught Offside: Town 0, Rovers 3
Corners: Town 6, Rovers 10
Town Bookings: Reeves, McHugh, Thirlwell.

Giuliano Grazioli (for Hulbert, 89)

This was the game that we were all waiting for, a home win against quality opposition. It was a thrilling match with both sides starting brightly and Rovers went close inside the first minute. Soon enough Swindon took control of the match and Bobby Howe was unlucky not to open the scoring but pulled his shot wide of the gaping goal. He was quick to make amends with a perfect swirling cross that had Blackburn keeper John Filan flapping and Simon Grayson got the touch that sent the ball into his own net. Town's second goal followed two minutes later when Bobby Howe was on hand to finish off a fast attacking break. George Ndah broke down the left and crossed for Walters to turn the ball into the path of the advancing Howe who slammed it home. Blackburn pulled one back through Ostenstad with ten minutes remaining but the defence stood firm and the victory was sealed.



The finishing touch was supplied by Grayson/Walters, delete as appropriate!



Bobby Howe fires the ball into the net for Town's second goal.



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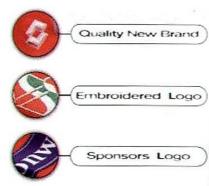
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Nationwide

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This afternoon's head-to-head focuses on the cool visit of the Iceman to the County Ground. Bolton's Gudni Bergsson, has recently returned to the Trotters starting line-up to give a few chilling performances at the heart of the defence.

> The Icelandic international has been a calming influence since the shock resignation of manager Colin Todd over the sale of Per Frandsen to Blackburn.

Gareth Davies, 25, was replaced for the first time this season in the defeat at Port Vale last weekend. The former Welsh U21 international has been steady in the Robins disappointing start to the season and has won half of his 14 challenges with opposing strikers such as Ian Wright.

**Gareth Davies vs Gudni Bergsson** 

Bergsson, 34, has a superior tackle success rate with an immaculate 90 per cent completion ratio

Both men are fairly competent with the ball at their feet, carrying the ball out of defence to launch attacks from the back. Davies has been cautioned three times this season and will have to avoid any rash challenges with the Bolton strikers Dean Holdsworth and Eidur Gudjohnsen.

Jimmy Quinn will be hoping that Davies can lead Swindon to their second home win of the season against a side going through a transitional phase. Nationwide Football League player analysts illustrate which of the two players is having the better season so far.

## minutes on pitch:

Davies: 524 Bergsson: 288

### goal attempts

	Davies	Bergsson
goals	0	0
shots on target	0	0
shots off target	1	0
blocked shots	0	0

#### passing

	Davies	Bergsson
goal assists	1	0
total passes	177	103
pass completion	63%	82%

#### crossing

Davies	Bergsson
0	0
0%	0%
	0

### dribbling

	Davies	Bergsson
dribbles & runs	7	8
dribble completion	100%	100%

### defending

	Davies	Bergsson
tackles made	14	10
tackles won	50%	90%
blocks	13	12
clearances	92	46
interceptions	5	4

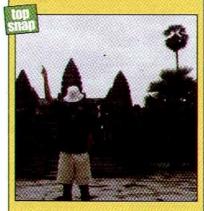
## discipline

	Davies	Bergsson
fouls	12	3
offside	0	0
yellow cards	3	0
red cards	0	0

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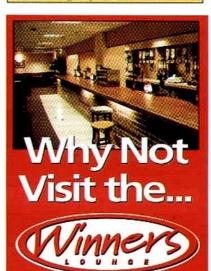
# Tour of Asia



Pictured here is our intrepid Town fan James Hewitt showing his colours on yet another leg of his journey through Asia.

This time James poses for the camera in front of a religious settlement in Cambodia...

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# show yer colours!



Off The WALL!

Derry Sharman is showing his colours on the Great Wall of China at Mutianyu, near Beijing. It took him on a tour along the old Silk Road from Xian to Islamabad in Pakistan.

A truly fantastic 'Show Yer Colours'.



## show yer colours!

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STFC Matchday Magazine co. PIA Sport, The Litten, Newtown Road, Newbury, Berkshire, RG14 7BB. Poor old Bob Magill of Newbury would have shown his colours in front of the magnificent Ayers Rock...
Unfortunately, during his travels in Oz, Bob had some of his possessions stolen - including his favourite
Swindon Town shirt! He was so upset to have missed the opportunity to 'Show His Colours' he sent us a shot anyway with his unhappy tale.

Hope this makes you feel better Bob!

He looked around, everyone had turned their backs, in the distance a young lad was flicking the ball up continiously using foot, chest, head.



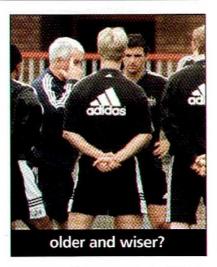
Gingerly he approached him, the young lad stop flicking and proceeded to turn around until his back too faced the wall. The only thing left for the lonely man to do was read the name and number on the child's back, No. 9 was the number the name read 'Shearer'. In that instant the man knew he had lost the battle, in the background there were sniggers, the man with the dreadlocks could take no more, somehow he had become more Vileda than leader and enough he had reluctantly acknowledged was enough.

A few days earlier he had committed the cardinal sin. It was a epic battle between two North East giants, a sort of Goliath v Goliath if you like. It was a battle he could ill afford to lose, the black and white natives were getting restless and talk of extreme action was afoot. The dreadlocked one in his infinite wisdom decided to march into battle without his talisman, his leading warrior and in an instant he had signed his death warrant. The dreadlocked one was about to realise that everything was far from black and white.

In the background, watching whilst not commenting, was an old man, a

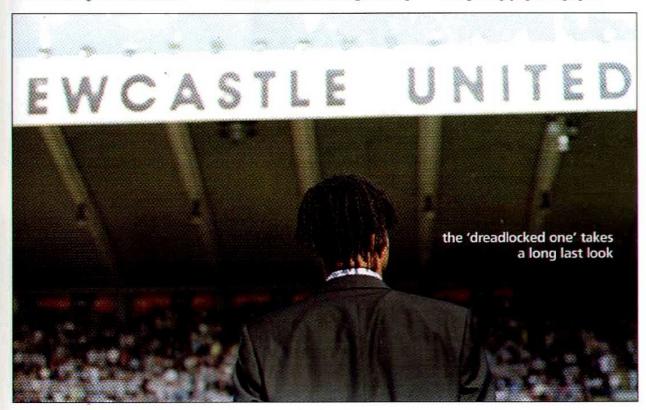
man who had seen all this before, a man who had ridden the rollercoaster and emerged without so much as a dicky tummy. When the dreadlocked one had made his way from the scene he decided that it was time to come home, time to return to the land he had known so well. You see the old man had been fighting his battles overseas for many years and was well known as a tactically astute and highly successful general. A far less public figure than the dreadlocked one, he preferred to let his foot soldiers do his talking for him, he rarely ranted and raved and appeared to be, despite his age, the ideal man for this most testing position.

His superiors took the plunge and as if by magic it appeared that a cloud had been lifted. Where there once was doubt there was strength and conviction, the fear of losing had been well and truly replaced by the joy of winning. Perhaps though the old mans most telling contribution was to rid his talisman of his leaden footedness. Suddenly, as if reborn, he began performing with a spark that many feared had long since gone. Even the black and white natives began smiling



again, even if they knew the battle had only just begun. Even in the spotlight though the old man seemed even more assured than his younger predecessor, his decisions were made with a coolheadedness that was often missing in the dreadlocked one and there was not a trace of impetuosity in his actions.

Of course, back in the land of the black and white natives, they cared not a jot about who was in charge. They were just enjoying smiling again.





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Monday	5.00 - 6.00pm	Junior Robin
	(New Time)	5 - 10 years
Saturday	9.00 - 10.00am	5 - 8 years
	10.00 - 11.00am	5 - 8 years

#### HIGHWORTH (Swindon Borough)

Tuesday	4.00 -	5.00pm	5 - 6 years
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5.00 - 6.00pm	7 - 8 years
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	4.30 - 5.30pm	9 - 11 years
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Today we take a look at Swindon Town's next two fixtures. On Saturday we meet Stockport County here at the County Ground. We then travel to Craven Cottage to meet Fulham.

## Stockport County

the lowdown...



by the club because they are mindful of their darker days

in the lower divisions. It is a time for renewed optimism at Edgeley Park because a new £7.5m stand is in development and their early season form is promising.

the reason to watch...

Last season the Town didn't pick up a single point against County, With Swindon being edged in both fixtures. Jim's side will have to dig deep because County are a tough, uncompromising team and are hard to beat. Goals are usually on the menu when these two sides meet, so let's hope the Town can get one over on Andy Kilner's team.

#### the last five meetings...

Stockport County 2-1 Swindon Town 09.03.99 Swindon Town 2-3 Stockport County 03.10.98 Swindon Town 1-1 Stockport County 21.03.98 Stockport County 4-2 Swindon Town 15.11.97 Swindon Town 0-0 Stockport County 04.05.96

## the player to watch...

Lawrence D'Jaffo started the season as back-up for Brett Angell because the two have a very similar playing style. D'Jaffo is tall, powerful and imposing. However, after a string of good performances, combined with the necessary ingredient of goals, Andy Kilner has promoted him to first choice and, due to the fact that he and Angell are so similar in style, the evidence suggests that D'Jaffo will eventually replace Angell as the forward target. He has impressed the County fans with his level of commitment and his desire to score goals for the unfashionable club, who live in the rather large shadows of their illustrious Lancashire neighbours.

# **Fulham**

### the lowdown...

Fulham returned to Division One in style, winning the Second Division title at a canter. Kevin Keegan started the Craven Cottage revolution under the watchful eye of new millionaire Chairman Mohammed Al Fayed. With chequebook open Keegan was very astute in the transfer market and started to build a squad that will inevitably lay the foundations for a return to the top flight of English football after so many years. Keegan left to take on the England job and left the Fulham hot seat in the capable hands of Paul Bracewell. It seems as though the transition of managers was seamless and Fulham have continued their winning ways and now look like strong candidates for a second consecutive promotion.

### the reason to watch...

This will be our first encounter with Fulham for 12 years, so it will be a rare visit to Craven Cottage and may be our last for a while if they realise their Premiership ambitions this season. The next time we go there, it might be an extremely different ground and team.

## the last five meetings...

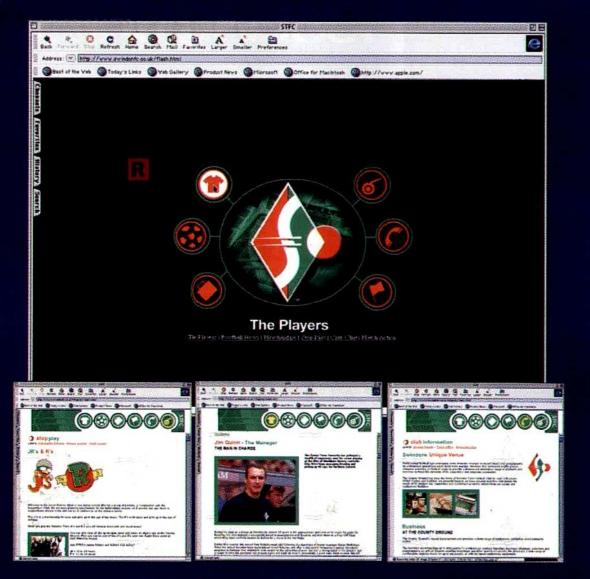
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## the player to watch...

Lee Clark joined Fulham in the summer in what was perhaps the most surprising move of the close season. At the end of last season Sunderland had walked away with the First Division title and Lee Clark was influential in their success after he had recovered from a broken leg.

However, the former Newcastle player was caught wearing a T-shirt, which taunted and insulted the Sunderland fans. Peter Reid transfer listed him immediately

and Fulham were quick to snap up arguably the best midfielder still outside of the Premiership for £3m,



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# stfc's complete guide to fixtures results stats

#### STFC Ladies South West Combination Season 1999/2000

Sun 5th Sept	Oxford United	3-2
Sun 12th Sept	Bristol City	4-2
Sun 10th Sept	Saltash Pilgrims	3-3
Sun 26th Sept	Southampton	2-0
Sun 3rd Oct	Portsmouth	Α
Sun 10th Oct	FA Cup 1st Round	
Sun 17th Oct	Bath City	Н
Sun 24th Oct	League Cup 1st Round	
Sun 31st Oct	Bristol Rovers	Н
Sun 7th Nov	FA Cup 2nd Round	
Sun 14th Nov	Yeovil Town	A
Sun 21st Nov	Cheltenham Town	Н
Sun 28th Nov	Newport Strikers	A
Sun 5th Dec	Southampton	A
Sun 12th Dec	Denham United	Н
Sun 19th Dec	Oxford United	Н
Sun 9th Jan	Bristol City	A
Sun 16th Jan	Saltash Pilgrims	Н
Sun 23rd Jan	Southampton	A
Sun 30th Jan	Portsmouth	Н
Sun 6th Feb	Bath City	Α
Sun 13th Feb	Bristol Rovers	A
Sun 20th Feb	Yeovil Town	Н
Sun 27th Feb	Cheltenham	Α
Sun 5th Mar	League Cup Semi-final	
Sun 12th Mar	Newport Strikers	Н
Sun 19th Mar	Denham United	Α
Sun 30th Apr	League Cup Final	

Swindon Town Ladies (Home) South West Combination matches are played at the County Ground Extension and Kick-Off at 2.00pm.

#### The South West Counties Youth League Fixtures Season 1999/2000

Sat 21 Aug	Cirencester	3-1
Sat 28th Aug	Swansea City	3-4
Sat 4th Sept	Plymouth Argyle	0-1
Sat 11th Sept	Newport County	H
Sat 18th Sept	AFC Bournemouth	0-7
Set 25th Sept	Trowbridge Town	Α
Sat 7th Oct	Yeavil Town	- 11
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Sat 22nd Jan	Bath City	A
Sat 29th Jan	Bristol Rovers	Н
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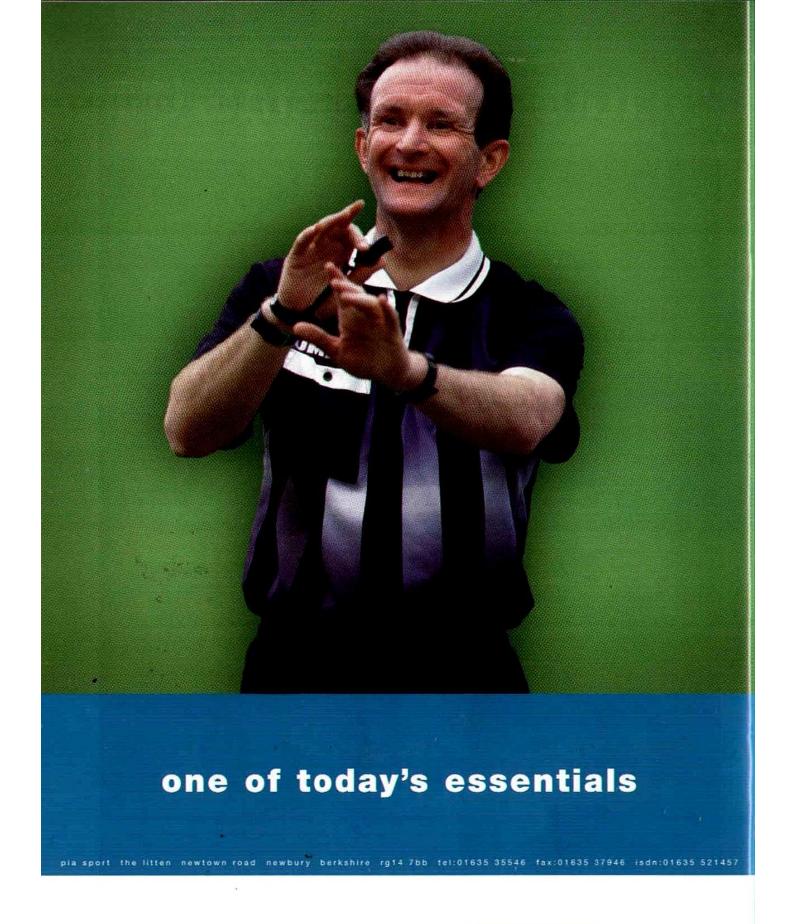
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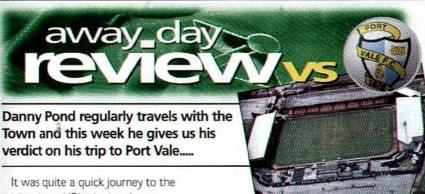
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midlands and 'Birmingham' was surprisingly quiet. It was a real contrast to the days when Port Vale used to get crowds of around 50,000 and had plans to build a stadium to be known as the 'Wembley of the North'. It now looks like another big club that in recent years has fallen from grace and can no longer keep up with the financial pace of so many other clubs. I thought that the Town started well with great purpose and Walters hit a great shot that came off the underside of the bar. It was unfortunate but that was the kind of poor luck we have become used to over the last few weeks.

Swindon dominated the first half and kept the Vale fans quiet and at the half time break the Town fans could not believe the score was still level.

The half time break disrupted the pattern of play and Vale broke our hearts with a goal soon after. We went searching for an equaliser and another rare Vale attack provided the home side with another goal, I couldn't believe it! It did look slightly farcical when Hall's clearance smacked into the back of Frank and ended up in the back of our net. We need something like that to happen for us but when we might have got one back through Ndah, he hit the post after rounding the keeper. Although, it still would have been too late to salvage anything from the match.

A few home games now, so at least I'll save money on the petrol!

#### out of 10 Journey: Could have stayed in Crewe 6 Ground: Could be better 6 Home Fans: Knew they were lucky 7 Away Fans: Still committed 8 Food & Drink: Port and Stilton! Man of the match: **Andy Williams** 6 Team Performance: Possession lacked finish Moment of the Day: Talia's bad luck

**Overall Verdict:** 

Disappointing result

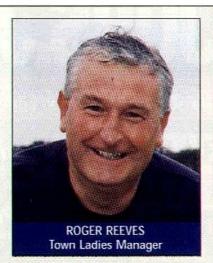
with no goal to cheer.

by Roger Reeves

The Town Ladies kept joint top spot in the South West Combination League after a 2-0 win over Southampton.

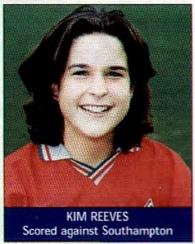
The Town had the better of the first half but only led by Kim Reeves' goal at the break. The second half was scrappy, but Leanne Taylor got the Town's second when she jinxed her way past two defenders to shoot into the net from an acute angle. The Town Reserves bagged a four goals to one win at Newport Pagnell in the Southern Region League, Lorna Morgan scored a hat-trick and Hayley Sprules completed the scoring. Town keeper, Gemma Carter, saved a penalty.

Thirteen Town players have been selected for the Wiltshire squad to face Hampshire on Tuesday 5th October at



Devizes, kick off 7.30pm. This is a friendly fixture prior to the start of the South West Counties Championship. Clare Wheeler, Netti Wyness, Adelle Taylor, Natalia Zarcynski, Kim Reeves, Pam Laker, Holly Ashman, Diane George, Clare Tyson, Georgia Alcock, Nadine Lloyd, Leanne Taylor and Katy Lemon have all been selected.

Tomorrow the Town travel to Portsmouth for the South West



Combination League fixture. Last season the Town shared the points with Pompey on the South Coast but beat them down there in the semi final of the Ambassador League Cup. The Reserves entertain Oxford United Reserves, who last season beat them the League Cup. This game will be played on the County ground Extension at 2.00pm.

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#### Welcome to this afternoon's match against Bolton Wanderers.

This is the second of three home games before we go on our travels again. In our next away trip we travel a short distance up the M4 to Fulham, where the Town have not played for 13 years. There is ample room at Craven Cottage, with terracing available for 5,000. Three days later, we head north once again to Barnsley. Those intending to travel are advised to obtain match tickets in advance, as there is limited accommodation for visitors and no concessions are given on matchdays.

#### SAT 16TH OCT 3.00PM Fulham

Nationwide League Division One, Kick-Off 3.00pm.

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Nationwide League Division One, Kick-Off 7.45pm.

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#### TRAVEL INFORMATION

Depart COUNTY GROUND: 11.00AM
Depart ERMIN STREET: 11.15AM
Depart WEST SWINDON: 10.45AM

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#### ticket office opening times

Tickets for home matches go on general sale four weeks before the match.

### handy hints... the rough guide to Craven collage



#### Club Name:

**Fulham** 

#### Address:

Craven Cottage, Stevenage Road, Fulham SW6 6HH.

#### **How to Contact:**

Main Tel: 0171 384 4720 Ticket Office: 0171 384 4710

#### Nickname:

The Cottagers

#### Club's Home Colours:

Black/White Shirts, Black Shorts

#### Stadium Stats:

Capacity: 19,000 Away Allocation: 4,000

#### **Travelling by Tube:**

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# Nationwide division one

#### blues blow



The new Division One leaders, Birmingham City suffered a major setback with the news that Stan Lazaridis is likely to be out of action for two months.

He pulled a hamstring during the first half in their 2-0 win over Queens Park Rangers last Saturday. It is a blow for Blues boss Trevor Francis because the Australian winger had been significant factor in Birmingham's good start to the season, Francis who only signed him at the start of the season said: "It is a major blow. He has pulled his hamstring and could be out for a couple of months at least."

#### muscat fear

First Division hard man Kevin Muscat was caught up in controversy again as Wolves lost 3-0 at Sheffield United.

Muscat, under fire after a bust-up with Nottingham Forest striker lan Wright last week, clashed with Paul Devlin at Bramall Lane. In this latest incident Muscat was set upon by the Sheffield United forward and Wolves manager Colin Lee was certain that it changed the perspective of the match, Lee said: "I think possibly the turning point was the Devlin incident. I think that affected our players and our concentration levels went. Muscat seems to be finding himself in trouble every week and his reputation as one of the Division toughest opponents does always help his situation. Devlin, who appeared to be the antagoniser in this bust-up, had the last laugh scoring the Blades second goal in their 3-0 victory.



#### fulham cruise



Newly promoted Fulham continued their cruise though the First Division. After overcoming Norwich 6-0 on aggregate in the Worthington Cup earlier in the week, they emphatically won another game at Craven Cottage. Crewe Alexandra were dismissed inside 36 minutes when Kit Symons completed the scoring with Fulham's third goal following strikes from Geoff Horsfield and Barry Hayles. Stan Collymore was left on the bench, which could signal the end of his three-month loan trial with the London club. Fulham moved into third place in the First Division and have a squad capable of taking Paul Bracewell's side into the Premiership. They can certainly rely on the financial backing of millionaire Chairman Mohammed Al Fayed.

#### life after todd

Bolton did not let the departure of manager Colin Todd affect their on-field performance as they came out triumphant in a topsy-turvy, five-goal thriller against Nottingham Forest at the Reebok Stadium. Temporary Trotters boss Phil Brown paid tribute to the spirit of his players, saying: "I felt it was an admirable performance from the players. I am very proud of them. I asked them to show me if they wanted me to get the job and I think the response was clear to see:



#### riedle deal

Fulham manager Paul Bracewell took advantage of the Anfield clear-out and picked up former German international Karl Heinz Riedle for a cut-price £200.000.

The former Borussia Dortmand striker is now 34-years-old but has a wealth of experience that will benefit Fulham's promotion challenge. Fulham beat off competition from other Premiership clubs to get his signature after Liverpool boss Gerard Houllier admitted that he was surplus to requirements.

Riedle signed and 18-month contract with the Cottagers and is likely to finish his career in West London. His arrival could signal the end to Stan Collymore trail three-month loan period at Craven Cottage. He is yet to score and has been left on the bench in favour of top scorer Geoff Horsfield, Barry Hayles and Paul Peschisolido.

#### Division Nationwide

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STOCKPORT	7	4	1	2	9	7	B
WEST BROM	8	5	6	0	9	7	12
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IBLACKBURN	8	3	5	3	8	9	
SHEFF UTD	9	3	2	3	9	15	
GRIMSBY	9	3	5	4	8	15	
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PORT VALE	9	3	1	5		В	10
BOLTON	8	2	3	3		12	9
NORWICH	9	2	3	4	8	-	9
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Greenland has a population of 55,000 people and 85% of it is covered by ice, however the national team coach Sepp Piontek is aiming for the island to become a member of FIFA and UEFA.

To become eligible for membership of the international soccer bodies Greenland must first build at least one stadium with a grass pitch. With around 3,000 players to choose from Sepp Pointek is confident that the island can compete in the international arena, he said: "I have already asked UEFA to look into the possibility of Greenland becoming an independent soccer country,"

Greenland is governed by home rule under the Danish crown which is similar to the Faroe Islands, which is also has home rule under the Danish crown and has belonged to UEFA and FIFA in their own right since 1979.

Piontek, 59, turned down an annual salary of \$170,000 as coach of the national team of Oman last month in favour of overseeing soccer in Greenland, which is closer geographically to North America than mainland Europe. His two-year contract comes with a \$7,000 bonus if Greenland win the 2001 Island Games tournament against opponents such as the Faroe Islands, Isle of Man, Gotland and Iceland.

If Greenland do build a stadium in the capital Godthab, both FIFA and UEFA are likely to welcome them into the global soccer family following other small countries such as the Faroes, San Marino and Andorra in recent years. FIFA currently have 203 member nations and UEFA 51.





Obviously I'm delighted to score but the most important thing is the team won. We'll just take each game as it comes, We're gutted, over the moon.

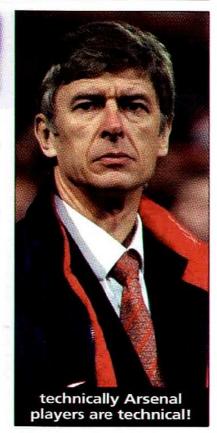
Clichés have been 'part and parcel' of football speak ever since the game was first televised in the 60's and the players and managers were challenged with presenting a public image to the supporters through the media. The universal language of football is something that is accepted and even revelled in by the fans, but gems such as Joe Kinnears he couldn't hit a cows a .. e with a banjo' and regular pearls from sun-tanned 'Big' Ron Atkinson have become the exception to the rule. In the main we have to listen to the same dialogue trotted out week after week from players and managers. Alan Shearer is the major flag bearer for this generation of the standard answer, and his proteges Michael Owen and David Beckham are showing excellent potential. Both threaten to say nothing controversial or off the wall in their careers, whilst managing to drop in a healthy sprinkling of clichés along · the way.

However, once again there seems to be a threat to our equilibrium coming from across the channel. Highly educated Arsenal boss Arsené Wengers collective spirit and technical cohesiveness both offensively and defensively, have put the cat amongst the pigeons, confusing some and unsettling others. If Monsieur Wenger could only drop in a few 'to be fairs' and start calling his team the 'lads' instead of his 'players', then I'm sure that everyone would be more comfortable.

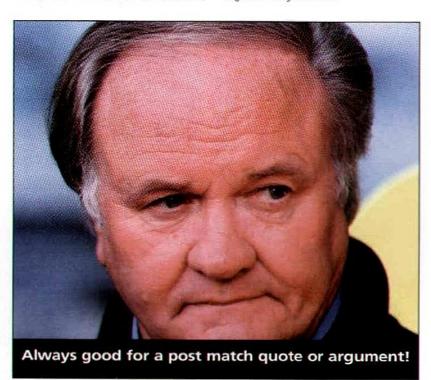
Some people will argue the technical advances being made in the coverage of the game, chiefly from Sky Sports, should be mirrored by a more intellectual approach from the managers and players alike. On Sky's knew Active channel the viewer has the option of watching the game from several different angles, they can re-run highlights at will and flash up statistics, all at the touch of a button. In this respect Britain is a world leader,

interactive football is a world first, noone else can offer this service and it has
created a huge amount of interest from
American networks who usually like to
think they lead the way. But then, at
the end of the day, after all of the high
tech, futuristic coverage we will still be
subjected to a manager with a
microphone shoved under his nose
telling us that if we'd have offered him
a point at the start of the match he'd
have taken it.

On reflection the standard language of the football interview is something to be cherished, we know what to expect and the players know what is expected of them. O.K the technical advancements being offered by Sky can only be a good thing for supporters, improving the experience and bringing the game to life. But the human element provided in the post match interview or the guest summariser should never be lost, after all football is



the peoples game and footballers are regular people they are not poets, comedians, or politicians. So we should celebrate in the language of the game we love, because where would we be without it? Should we continue to use the same tired and worn phrases that we hear week in week out? To quote big Ron, "very much so."





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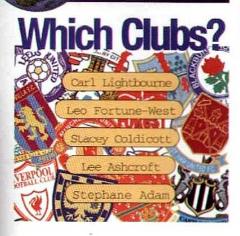
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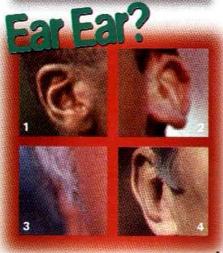


## quick quiz

- Who said "The moment I saw Middlesbrough I felt it was a strange, terrible place. I had never seen anything like it."?
- Who said "We've signed five foreigners over the summer. But I'll be on hand to learn them a bit of English."?
- Who said "I realise now that computer games have affected my performance badly."?
- Who said "I'm not a believer in luck, but I do believe you need it."?
- Who said "If you want someone to track back as well as do what I do, he would cost about \$25m."?
- Who said "If history is going to repeat itself, I should think we can expect the same thing again."?
- Who said "The Bosman ruling doesn't affect me, I don't have any problems losing money on transfer fees."?
- (3) Who said "English football can end the millennium as it started it - as the greatest football nation in the World."?
- Who said "A goalkeeper is a goalkeeper because he can't play football."?
- Who said "The trouble is he speaks about as much English as I do."?

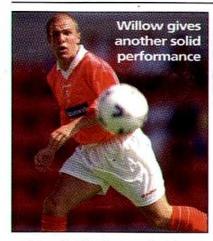
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# which year?

- Liverpool are League Champions
- · West Ham win the FA Cup
- England go out at the group stages of the European Championships
- Arsenal lose the Cup Winners
   Cup Final on penalties



But against Blackburn we had eleven players on the field that were totally committed to each other, the club and it was like having eleven captains all working hard to get the result.

Blackburn are a quality side and they have certainly spent a lot more money than we have and it was fantastic to beat one of the favourites for the First Division title. Personally, I thought that we have played better in the three games previous to Blackburn, having absolutely no luck and ending up drawing or losing. Hopefully this result means that our luck has turned and we can put a bit of a run together.

In recent games we have been on top of teams, really stamping our authority on the match and not being able to put

# captain's with AlarrReeves COTTO I'm happy to be given the responsibility of

I'm happy to be given the responsibility of the captaincy while a few players are injured, but it's only a piece of white tape around my arm.

the ball in the back of the net. Against Blackburn we managed to get two goals in quick succession and keep a clean sheet going into the half time break. The break gave us time to re-assess the match and plan our strategy for the second half. We wanted to preserve our lead and in the end I think we ground out a superb result.

I thought that we were quite comfortable in defence, held a steady line and let their defenders have the ball because we didn't want to get caught with too many players pushed forward. When they did score the goal it was a bit nerve racking for the last ten minutes, but we held out and got a deserved win. I thought that as a defensive unit we played very well, although I felt really old playing with James Williams and Adam Willis. They are both really good talkers and we helped each other out, it doesn't matter how old you are as long as you're committed and I thought that

everyone performed excellently for the entire 90 minutes.

I think one of the main things about the performance is that we were not intimidated by the fact that they were Blackburn Rovers and were worth millions of pounds because when the whistle goes it's 11 versus 11 and we have a lot of heart.

If we can continue this form and get a few good results in these next two home games we will move up the table and things will start to look a lot better. It's still early and I think that we have been in a bit of a false position second from bottom but it is still early in the season and we have to prove that we are worthy of finishing mid-table if not higher.

The fans really got behind us last week and made it a fantastic atmosphere to play in, it just shows that despite some poor results, the fans stick together, support the team and it gives all the players and staff a real lift.

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1973 - Peter astoe

Welcome to our A to Z of former Swindon Town players. This week in this series we take a look back at former Town player Peter Eastoe.

Peter Eastoe began his football career at Molineux, making his League debut at Arsenal in 1972. Peter was unable to hold down a regular position though, and in November 1973 moved to Swindon on a month's loan.

Peter Eastoe's debut for Swindon was very much a case of the agony and the ecstasy... He arrived at Swindon and saw his new team concede two goals in the first ten minutes of the home match with Carlisle. Fortunately he himself scored twice, enabling Town to escape with a point, but worse was to follow when he suffered a fractured cheek, which was to keep him out of the team for several games. Les Allen managed to extend Eastoe's loan period before he resigned, but Peter's average of a goal every other game was enough to convince the new manager. Danny Williams, that here was someone who could help the team overcome its lack of goal power and restore the faith of the fans after the departure of favourites like Don Rogers and Rod Thomas.

Peter's eight League goals were not enough to save Swindon from relegation, but in Division Three he soon found his shooting boots. With Dave Moss and Trevor Anderson he was part of the most feared striking force in the Division and Swindon challenged strongly for promotion back

to Division Two at the first time of asking. Two draws during the Easter period really ended Town's chances and although an Eastoe hat trick in a home victory over Huddersfield renewed hopes, Swindon finished level on points with Charlton but six points adrift of promoted Plymouth and seven of champions Blackburn. During the season Eastoe scored 26 League goals and five in the Cup. This included one of his most memorable - a left foot volley which earned a replay in the Fourth Round tie at West Ham.

It is, sadly, always the lot of lower Division clubs to see their stars leave for clubs in the higher Leagues. This was what happened with Eastoe, who moved to Queens Park Rangers. Don Rogers returned to Swindon in a part-exchange deal, which saw him score a memorable goal on his return but it was very much a case of selling a proven goalscorer in return for a legend.



Like many goalscorers, Eastoe became something of a happy wanderer. He finished as Ranger's leading scorer in 1977-8 but in March of the following season moved on to Everton and then, in 1982, to West Bromich Albion. He joined a number of other clubs on loan but it was not until he moved abroad to Sporting Farense of Portugal that he had the pleasure of seeing one of his teams gain promotion. In 1988, having returned to this country, he enjoyed another promotion with Atherstone Town of the Beazer Homes League. Moving into management roles at Alvechurch and Nuneaton Borough followed but without great success. Peter now works as a driver and lives with his family in Stourbridge.

By Dick Mattick

How many goals did Peter Eastoe c score in the 1974-5 season?

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It was always going to be difficult to step into the shoes of Peter Schmeichel at Old Trafford, but I don't think anyone thought it was going to cause this kind of crisis.

His first replacement, Mark Bosnich is now third choice after injury and poor fitness, Missimo Taibi was brought in for a sum of £4.5m and continues to make some fine saves and at the same time, makes some terrible blunders. Plus, his signing was not completed by the UEFA deadline and is ineligible until later rounds. This

means that the long serving Raimond Van Der Gouw starts the Champions' League matches and the way things are going may start in the Premiership

#### slide park

Bradford City's 1-0 win at Pride Park lifted the unfancied Bantoms out of the bottom three and leap-frogged Derby in the process. As the Rams lost 5-0 to Sunderland two weekends ago, this defeat will increase the pressure on Derby boss, Jim Smith. His side need to pick up a few wins otherwise his job could be under pressure. He has already been criticised by transfer listed player Lars Bohinen and, if results continue the way they have, it could be Smith that is first out of the door.



#### benni thrill



Benito Carbone is expected to end his Sheffield Wednesday torment by joining fellow-strugglers Derby for a knockdown £1.5million. Wednesday have told Derby boss Jim Smith that the unsettled former Inter Milan forward is available for less than half the £3.5m. they paid for the player three years ago. Smith will now follow up his interest, after admitting that he needs reinforcements to halt Derby's alarming slide towards the danger zone, and could complete a deal in time for their match at Southampton. It would suit Wednesday chairman Dave Richards, who accused Carbone, 28, of

'killing' his club in an outspoken attack last week and admitted he feared losing him for nothing under freedom of contract at the end of the season.

#### robson raging

Both Bryan Robson and John Gregory were left fuming by refereeing decisions, which they believe cost them points last weekend. Robson criticised Premiership official Paul Alcock following Middlesbrough's defeat at home to Chelsea. Robson believes his side should have been awarded two penalties that cost his team the game. Gregory also was not happy with match official Jeff Winter for his inconsistency of decisions and especially for sending off Villa captain Gareth Southgate. He tangled with Emile Heskey and, when



the forward went down under the challenge, Winter had no hesitation in showing Southgate his second yellow card. Gregory alleged that Heskey dived and that it "belied belief" that the referee allowed himself to be conned.



Spurs and England defender, Sol Campbell, has been targeted by Italian giants Juventus to solve their defensive crisis. Juventus crashed 2-O to newly promoted Lecce and set the alarm bells ringing in Turin. They are now prepared to break the world record fee paid for a defender and a fee of around £15m might be too tempting for Spurs to refuse, especially as his contract ends next year and is not interested in holding contract talks until then. After that period he will be able to negotiate a freedom of contract move. The Spurs captain is desperate to experience domestic success and will monitor the clubs progress under George Graham and then he will decide his future.

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### having a ball on the 126

One of my closest friends lives and works in the US and, whilst we were talking on the 'phone last week, she told me about an auction web-site called www.bay.com. She had found herself wanting to buy Yorkshire puddings and thought she might use this service a bit like the misc. wanted ads in the Evening Advertiser.

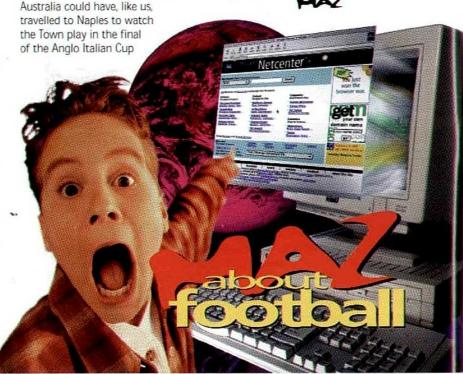
On a whim she also typed in the word 'Swindon' and up popped lot no. 44972 - a mint condition Swindon vs Arsenal league cup final programme. Without missing a heartbeat she typed in her bid to put her in contention for a place in the auction proper which takes place next Tuesday, there are six other bidders 3 from the U.S. one from Australia and two from Europe.

As we talked, it occurred to me that my friend didn't know much about football as it is now. She is bidding for a piece of memorabilia from a gentler, less frantic age, before she went stateside. An age when liquid refreshments were supplied by a white coated man who skirted the perimeter of the ground with a large tea urn strapped to his back . Very dextrous he was too, keeping small children at bay with one hand while extracting paper cups from his sleeve and pausing every now and again to waggle his hips to shake the sugar in the urn around a bit. Tea came stewed and wellsweetened then. She knows nothing of the Chardonnay-sipping corporates who pack into the exec. suites and private boxes of today. To her, mascots aren't the bug-eyed huge furry honey monsters of today's sport and the costumes didn't hide repressed maths teachers and embroidery students . looking for artistic outlet either. They were real people in clothes from the dressing-up box. We had a middle-aged yokel dressed in a patched smock with a rake over his shoulder adorned with pork sausages (obviously a very early sponsorship deal as our Chairman was a pork butcher). Plain for all to see, he was a West Country moonraker and proud of it. Portsmouth had a jolly jack tar in an elderly sailor suit with rouged cheeks and Everton had a toffee lady in a poke bonnet, dishing out black & white Everton mints to the kids. People could take dogs on to the terraces with them, scarves in club colours were worn well knotted and tucked into overcoat collars and knitted bobble caps completed the sporting ensemble, on the men of course not the dogs. Come to think of it, it is just possible that she is hoping that one of the auction bidders is an old flame, an expatriot from the happy

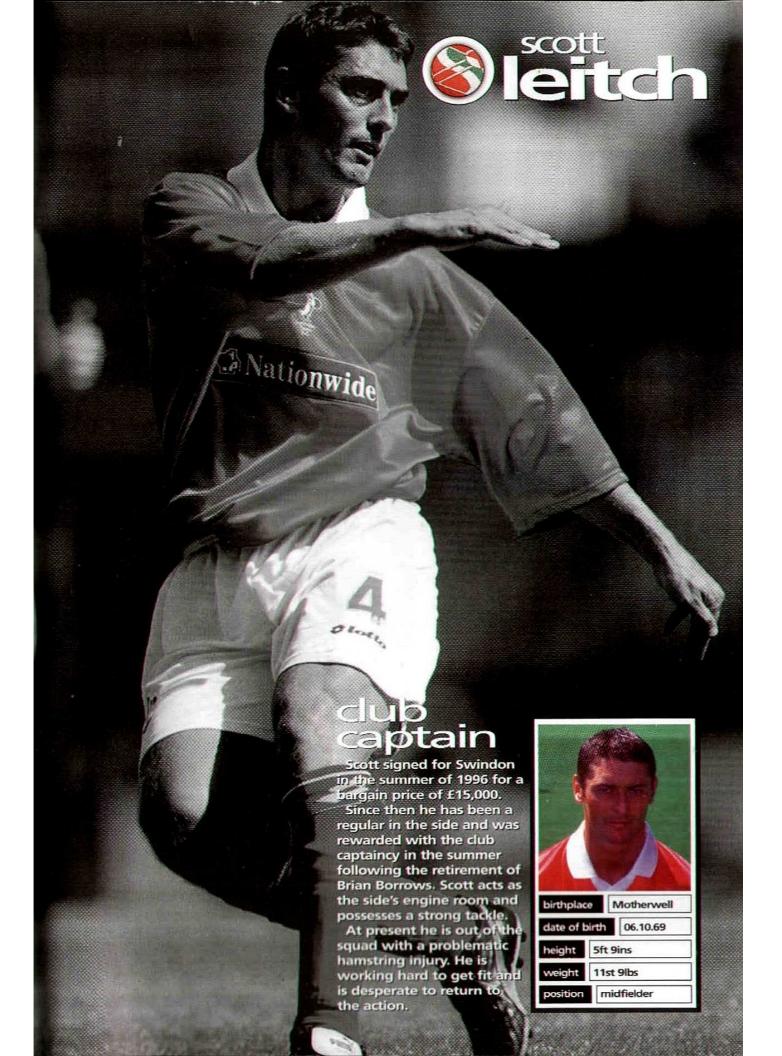
we adored Danny Williams. 'As I recall, because he was very active on the transfer market and supplied us with a seeming inexhaustible supply of beautifully fit (in every sense of the word) young men to drool over, flirt with and ultimately cry into our pillows over when they didn't ring when they promised they would. My friend often recounts the story of one very talented player who lived locally during the week but returned home at weekends. She saw him 2 or 3 times a week for several months and then, one fine Wednesday night, he told her he had something very important to tell her at the end of the evening. She waited patiently with growing excitement, mulling over the merits of diamond over sapphire rings and the pros and cons of bungalows and semis. Eventually he took a deep breath and told her he was getting married in two weeks to his girlfriend in London because he loved her - and would be returning after the closed reason as a married man. He broke her heart and then broke his own leg the following Boxing Day, I believe her heart mended immediately that afternoon!.

Its possible that the person from

which, after suffering a crushing defeat, the Italian Supporters started setting fire to the stadium (no European ban for them though). They chased us screaming into the bowels of the stadium where we barricaded ourselves in with the players We were then smuggled out to hide in the team hotel under cover of darkness where we drank the bar dry and danced and partied into the night - and well into the next day (only sensible thing to do really). Actually I think we shook them off after the first tunnel, but the Swindon board had the safety of our all girl group as their top priority and as there weren't any wives or girlfriends on the trip it all worked out quite nicely. Maybe the guy from Germany is a millionaire memorabilia collector who would cherish us as mementoes of football days past - you never know. But teenage daughter, as always, has brought us both down to earth. "Probably a load of middle-aged football anoraks with a death wish if they are coming head- to-head with your mate in an auction" she suggested blandly. I expect she's right but in the early hours of Tuesday night I will be poised waiting for an e-mail just in case.



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Sun May 7



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Barnsley	9	5		3	23	18	16
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#### stfc first team appearances 1999/2000

player name:	squad	league apps.	apps.	goals all comps	total
Frank Talia	1	8	2	900	10
Mark Robinson	2	9	2		11
Gareth Hall	3	8	2	- 10	10
Scott Leitch	4	1	1		2
<b>Gareth Davies</b>	5	4	1		6
<b>Bobby Howe</b>	7	8	1(1)	1	9(1)
George Ndah	8	9	2	1	11
iffy Onuora	9	7(2)	2	1	9(2)
Giuliano Grazioli	10	3(1)	2	2	5(1)
Ty Gooden	11	1		-	1
Alan Reeves	12	7	1		8
Jimmy Glass	13	1	-		1
Mark Walters	14	6(2)	2	2	8(2)
Chris Hay	15	2(2)	(1)		2(3)
Lee Collins	16	-		•	
Steve Cowe	17		0.00		-
Steve Mildenhall	18		-		1
Adam Willis	19	1(2)	(1)	-	1(3)
Charlie Griffin	20	(5)	(1)	•	(6)
Sol Davis	21	3	2	-	5
Robin Hulbert	22	1(1)	2		3(1)
Philippe Cuervo	23	-	-	*	-
Sam Campagna	24			-	-
Frazer McHugh	25	5(2)	(1)	-	5(3)
Nicky Burke	26	-	-		-
Jamie Mills	27		-	-	-
Ricky Culbertson	28		-	-	- 50
Alan Flanagan	29		-	-	-0
Paul McAreavey	30		-		-
Alun Hughes	31	-	-	•	- 8
James Williams	32	3(2)	1	•	4(2)
Andy Williams		4	-	-	4
Paul Thirlwell		4			4





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2	Mark Robinson	50	Neil Cox	-2
3-	Gareth Hall	ŎŎ	Mike Whitlow	-3
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12-	Alan Reeves	00	Ricardo Gardner	0
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14	Mark Walters	00	Bo Hansen	1
15-	Chris Hay	00	Robbie Elliott	1
16-(	Lee Collins	00	Jimmy Phillips	10
1	Steve Cowe	00	Mark Fish	D
111-	Steve Mildenhall	00	Hansey Aljofree	19
19-	Adam Willis	00	Steve Banks	20
20-(	Charlie Griffin	00	Greg Strong	1
21-	Sol Davis		Jussi Jaaskelainen	1
22-(	Robin Hulbert		Matthew Glennon	-27
23-(	Philippe Cuervo	00	Lee Potter	28
24-	Sam Campagna	00	Luke Staton	29
25-(	Frazer McHugh	$\bigcirc$	Gary Haveron	1
20-( 22)-(	Nicky Burke		Neil Gregson	38
20-	Jamie Mills		John Robertson	-39
28-(	Ricky Culbertson		Chris Dawson	-40
29-	Alan Flanagan		Dean Holden	41
30-(	Paul McAreavey	$\bigcirc$	Peter Morrison	-42
31-(	Alun Hughes		Carl O'Malley	-43
32-(	James Williams	$\bigcirc$	Alan Power	-4
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