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editor's welcome

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Welcome to today's game against high- flying Charlton Athletic.



It's been an eventful few weeks here at the County Ground as the Club has made changes both in the playing staff and in the boardroom. Cliff Puffett has steadied the ship and Swindon Town FC now has renewed purpose but these changes will not be reflected on the pitch overnight. The 0-0 draw against Norwich City was evidence of this and at the time, keeping a clean sheet was just as important as scoring ourselves. The two previous results had not gone our way, as we conceded six goals without reply.



Furthermore, the Town has had to deal with the loss of Giuliano Grazioli to injury just when he was becoming sharp in front of goal, and then Mark Walters made the short trip down the M4 to join Ian Holloway's Bristol Rovers. However, the equally

important news is that Jim Quinn has finally made himself available for first team selection due to his good run of form in the reserves and to cover the injuries of our first choice strikers. His ten minute spell against Norwich was certainly good enough to show that he is well capable of lifting the team, and the crowd, for a late rally that might prove fruitful in the future.



Today Swindon Town welcome Alan Curbishley and his players, plus all the supporters, directors and staff who have travelled along the M4 from London. The Addicks are in top gear at the moment which was emphasised by their 5-2 thumping of Grimsby away from home. Their squad is very similar to the one that, despite relegation, did very well in the Premiership last season.

The support against Norwich City was fantastic so get behind the lads today and I'm sure they'll give 110% and give the fans the win they so richly deserve.

Enjoy the match

welcome back Rockin' Robin

**Rockin' Robin has
returned to the
County Ground with a
stunning new look.**

Swindon's favourite bird has been revamped, thanks to Sainsbury's supermarket and its a look that's sure to ruffle a few feathers here today. He's been away since the middle of last season and rumours that he had migrated were strongly denied by the Club. Retail manager, Jackie Kent, said: "I don't think that he would stray too far from the ground which has been his home for more than 20 years."



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jim quinn's comment

Welcome to tonight's game with Charlton. We had a solid game against Norwich City where we battled hard for a well-deserved point and we could even have nicked it late in the game.

As you've probably noticed I've decided to give myself a squad number and dig in with the lads to get us moving up the table. The decision was taken because of a lack of depth and experience with our forwards due to injury and transfers, but the major reason was that I felt I'd been doing well enough in the reserves to think that I have something to offer the team and, although I would find it difficult to last an entire 90 minutes of First Division football, I believe that I can come on and mix it up a bit. It so nearly worked against Norwich but my shot

hit the bar when, with a bit of luck, it might have squeezed over the line.

Mark Walters has left the Club to join Bristol Rovers on a free transfer. Mark did very well for us and we wish him well at his new club. Michael Carrick has joined us on loan from West Ham and I think you will agree he had a very solid game in his first match against Norwich.

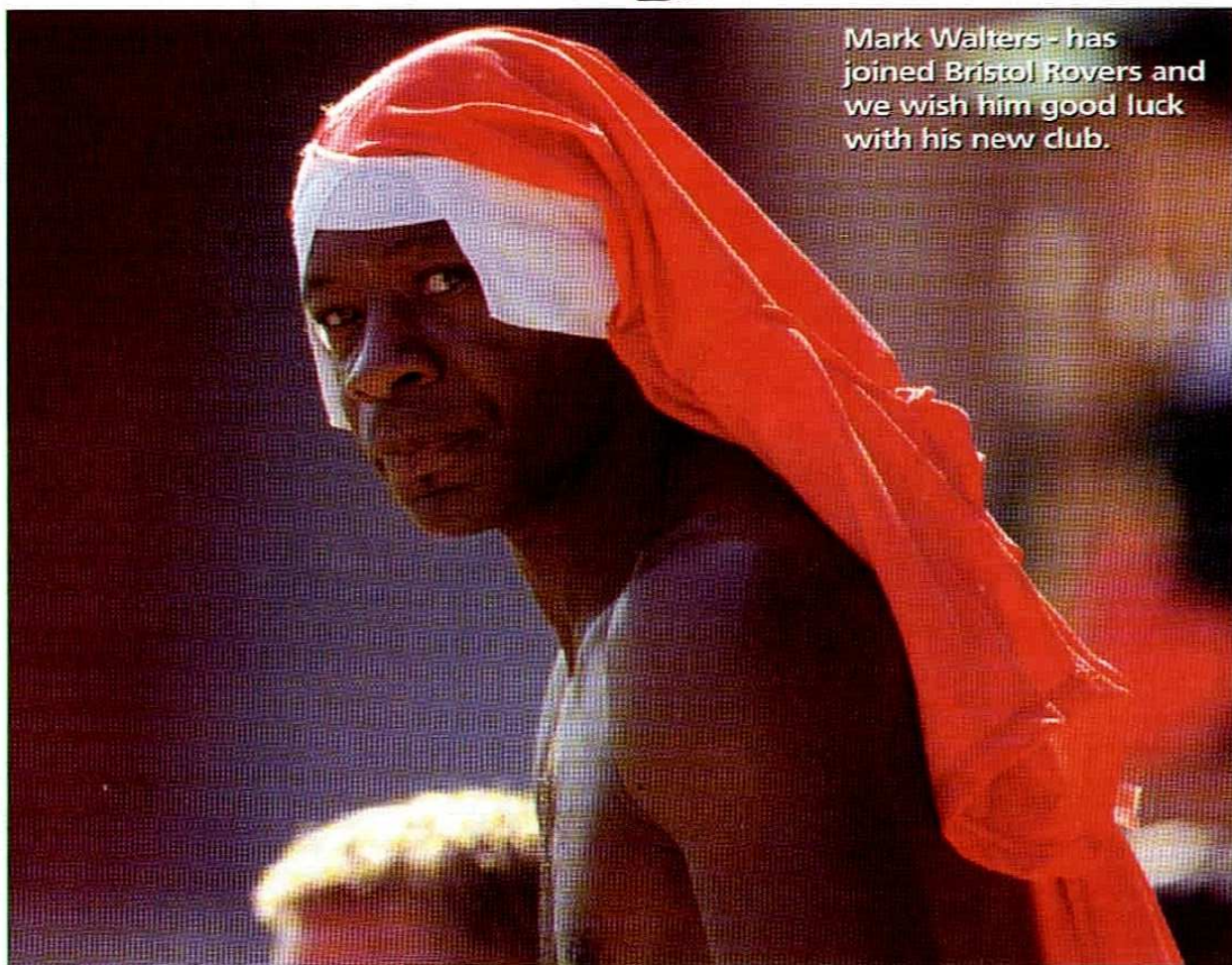
I would like to welcome Alan Curbishley and his side to the County Ground. They're going well and I'm sure they will give us a tough game.

It was fantastic to see so many fans turn out against Norwich and the atmosphere generated gave us a real lift.

Thanks for your support



Mark Walters - has joined Bristol Rovers and we wish him good luck with his new club.



today's visitors

Charlton's early season form suggests that they could be making a quick return to the Premiership and manager Alan Curbishley is just the man to steer the Addicks to the promised land.

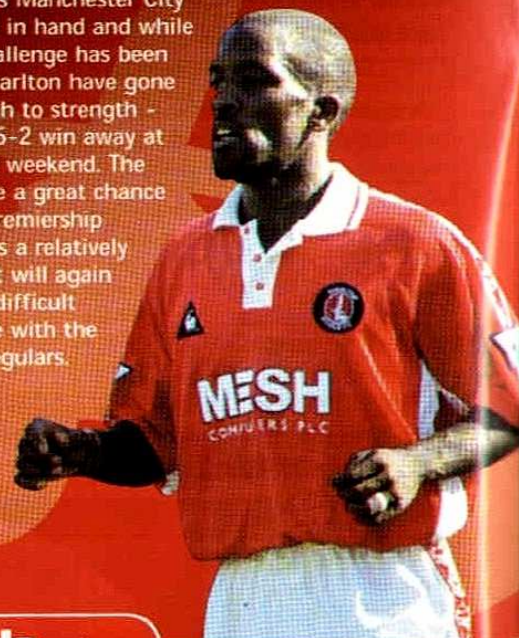
At the end of last season, despite spending most of it in the basement of the Premier League, the Addicks put on a brave fight to stay up and nearly did so, wins over Wimbledon, Liverpool and Derby gave Charlton a realistic chance of avoiding the drop. However, when it came to decision day a 4-3 win at Aston Villa meant that Southampton had to slip up to keep Charlton's Premiership dream alive. The Saints didn't and Alan Curbishley's side paid the ultimate price for dropping too many points at home.

As a club, Charlton are one of the shining examples of how directors, players, staff and supporters can pull together and be successful and their disappointment of last season's relegation has not affected their firm belief that they will attain Premiership status once more.

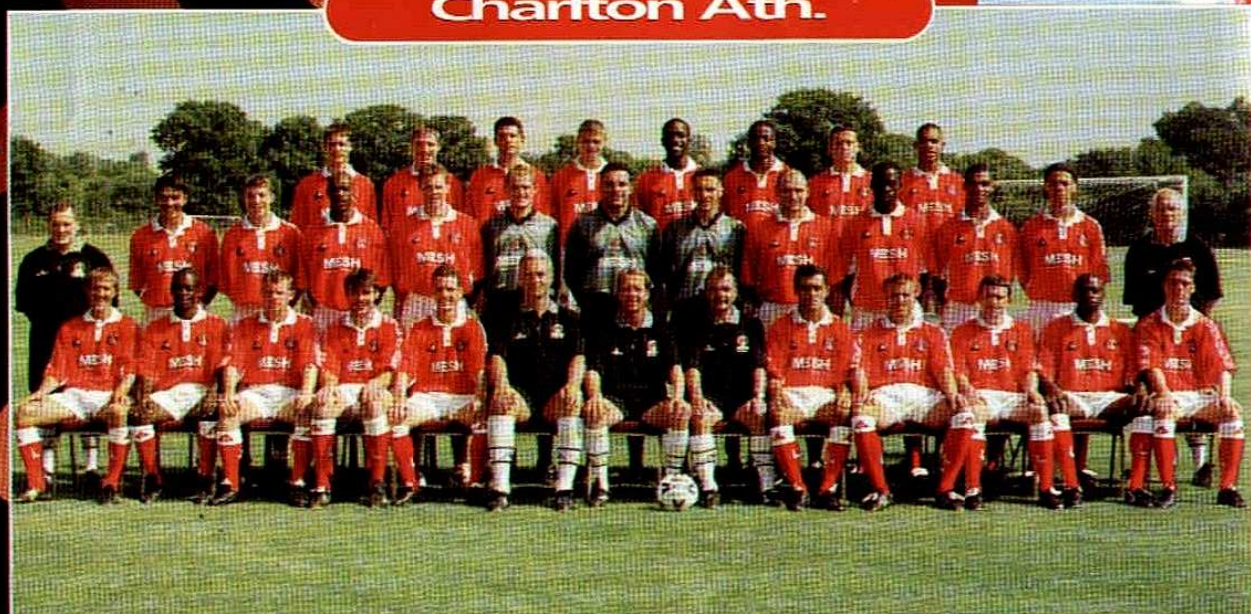
They have retained the excellent squad they assembled last season and it now has the strength-in-depth to challenge for the First Division title. More importantly they retained the services of manager Alan Curbishley

despite much interest due to his growing reputation within the game.

At the time of writing Charlton are only one point adrift of front runners Manchester City with a game in hand and while Fulham's challenge has been faltering, Charlton have gone from strength to strength - including a 5-2 win away at Grimsby last weekend. The Addicks have a great chance of a quick Premiership return but as a relatively small club, it will again find it very difficult to keep pace with the top-flight regulars.



Charlton Ath.



Back row - left to right: Anthony Allman, David Hockley, Anthony Barnes, Paul Konchesky, Chris Powell, Kevin Lisbie, Charlie MacDonald, Kevin James.

Centre row - left to right: Andy Jones (physio), Steve Jones, Andy Hunt, Richard Rufus, Carl Tiler, Simon Royce, Sasa Ilic, Dean Kiely, Eddie Youds, Mark McCammon, Jon Fortune, Martin Pringle, Ron Thomas (kit manager).

Front row - left to right: John Robinson, Keith Jones, Graham Stuart, Steve Brown, Mark Kinsella, Mervyn Day (first team coach), Alan Curbishley (manager), Keith Peacock (asst. manager), Clive Mendonca, Neil Redfearn, Matt Holmes, Shaun Newton, Scott Parker.

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clive mendonca



birthplace	Islington	
date of birth	09.09.68	
height	5'10"	
weight	12st 6lb	
position	forward	
previous club records		
club	games	goals
From Trainee	July	1991
-	-	-
-	-	-



Previous clubs Grimsby, Sheffield United, Rotherham, Doncaster (loan) and Sheffield United. Signed by Alan Curbishley 5/97 for a fee of £700,000

Charlton's £700,000 signing from Grimsby oozes class around the box even when he is not scoring goals, although at times he thinks quicker than his teammates. Two spells with Sheffield United, with four seasons at Rotherham sandwiched in between, produced little from which to anticipate the quality player Mendonca was to become after moving on to Grimsby in the 1991/2 season. Only the serious injury which wiped out his playing opportunities in 1995 have prevented him moving into the top flight.

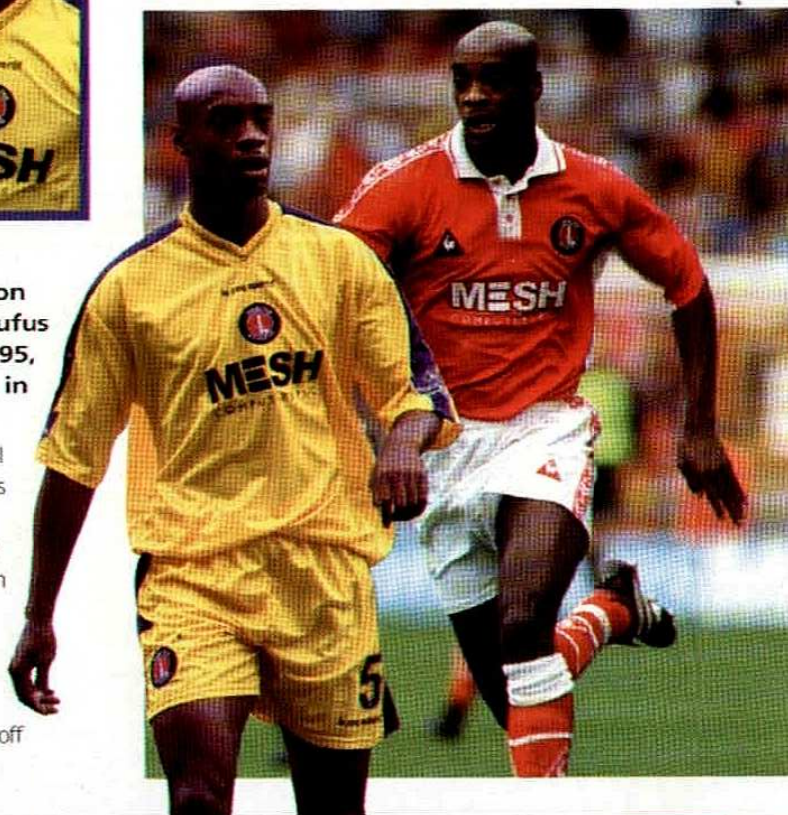
birthplace	Lewisham	
date of birth	12.01.75	
height	6'1"	
weight	11st 10lb	
position	defender	
club records		
club	games	goals
Brentford	76 (15)	13
Crystal P.	13 (17)	5
-	-	-



richard rufus

Few players have made such an impressive full debut in the Charlton first team as 20-year-old Richard Rufus did at Sunderland in November 1995, when he was simply commanding in a hard-fought 1-1 draw.

With the physical presence of a traditional central defender, the former England U21 skipper combines pace with agility, anticipation and recovery powers that rival those of the AA. He is dominant in the air and cool under pressure, attributes which have seen him rated at £3 million in the media. His apparent weakness is poor distribution and 164 senior games had yet to see him score a solitary goal before his headed equaliser rescued Charlton's promotion hopes in the dying minutes of the play-off final at Wembley.



the players



Dean Kiely	
date of birth	10.10.99
height	6'1"
weight	13st 5lb
position	goalkeeper

Dean moved to The Valley from relegated Bury in May 1999 for a club record fee for a goalkeeper of £1m. Dean has made an impressive start to his Charlton career and his shot-stopping, coupled with an ability to remain calm under pressure, have impressed many in his short time at the club.

Chris Powell	
date of birth	08.09.69
height	5'10"
weight	11st 7lb
position	defender

Briefly Charlton's record signing at £825,000 when he became Alan Curbishley's first close-season recruit, left back Chris Powell had long been the target of the Charlton boss's admiration and, after two seasons as a Premiership regular with Derby, he brought valuable experience of the top flight into the SE7 camp.

Eddie Youds	
date of birth	03.05.70
height	6'1"
weight	13st
position	defender

Bradford's surprising decision to part with their skipper on the eve of the transfer deadline prompted swift action by Alan Curbishley who sealed his final signing of the campaign with hours to spare. He relished the opportunity to prove himself in the top flight with a series of sterling performances.

Carl Tiler	
date of birth	11.02.70
height	6'3"
weight	13st 10lb
position	defender

29 year old Carl was signed on a four-year deal from Everton in Sept '98 to bolster Charlton's Premiership experience in defence. Due to injuries to Eddie Youds and Richard Rufus late in the season, he and Steve Brown formed a surprisingly solid partnership in the centre of defence.

Graham Stuart	
date of birth	24.10.70
height	5'9"
weight	11st 10lb
position	midfield

A long-running transfer saga came to an end when Charlton finally completed the signing of the 28-year-old Sheffield United midfielder for £1million, two days before the transfer deadline. Stuart made an impressive start to his Charlton career, scoring against West Ham, Leeds and Everton, but it was not enough to save the Addicks.

Matty Holmes	
date of birth	01.08.69
height	5'7"
weight	11st
position	midfield

Sadly, Holmes started only 11 games for the club before breaking his leg at Wolves in February 1998 and missed the rest of the season and all but one first team match of the next. However, hopes are high that his fitness has now returned and will allow him to play a significant part in Charlton's First Division campaign this time around.

Shaun Newton	
date of birth	20.8.75
height	5'8"
weight	11st 7lb
position	midfielder

This Camberwell lad is powerfully built for a 5'8" winger and is now in his eighth season of first-team action after breaking into the League side at the end of the 1992/3 campaign. Shaun's pace appears to make him an ideal wing-back and the confusion over his best position was felt to have hindered his early development.

John Robinson	
date of birth	29.8.71
height	5' 10"
weight	11st 7lb
position	midfielder

When John Robinson joined Charlton from Brighton for £75,000 in Sept '92 it was evident to most supporters that his arrival signalled the imminent departure of star midfielder Robert Lee. He played in the majority of Charlton's premiership matches last season and scored the Addicks' first premiership goal at The Valley.

OTHER SQUAD MEMBERS:

Anthony Burgess, Steve Brown, Sas Ilic, Greg Shields, Scott Parker, Paul Konchesky, Keith Jones, Simon Royce, Anthony Allman, Jonathan Fortune, Leigh Hales, David Hockley, Kemal Izzet, Kevin James, Kevin Lisbie, Charlie MacDonald, Mark McCammon, Sam Turner, John Solako.

Mark Kinsella	
date of birth	12.08.72
height	5'8"
weight	11st 4lb
position	midfielder

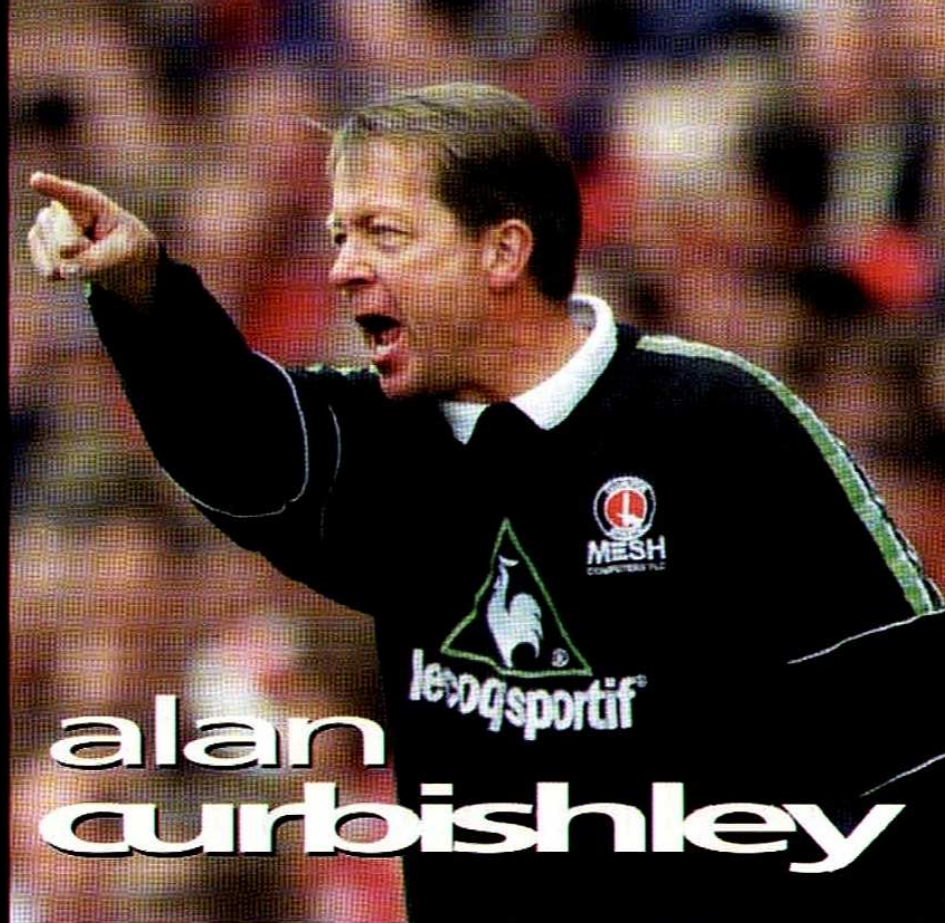
The captain's form in the Premiership was a model of consistency and his contribution crucial to the team. He is still an ever-present and his decision to sign a five year contract when Charlton were relegated was a massive boost for everyone concerned with the club.

Martin Pringle	
date of birth	18.11.70
height	6'1"
weight	12st 3lb
position	forward

Martin joined the club from Benfica in January, 1999, and has been an instant hit in South East London. He made his debut as a substitute against Southampton at The Dell and opened his scoring account a week later with a dramatic last-minute equaliser against Newcastle at The Valley.

Andy Hunt	
date of birth	09.06.70
height	6'
weight	12st
position	forward

The first player to arrive at The Valley without a fee thanks to the Bosman ruling. Striker Andy made his reputation at The Hawthorns as a hard worker as well as a prolific scorer. This season he has established himself as first-choice partner of last term's top scorer, Clive Mendonca.



alan curbishley

Former West Ham and Birmingham midfielder Alan Curbishley had two spells at Charlton as a player after initially joining the club for a £38,000 fee from Aston Villa in December 1984.

He made 69 appearances, scoring six goals, during a spell when the Addicks reached the old First Division after an absence of 29 years. Before then, boss Lennie Lawrence sold him to Brighton for £30,000 in the summer of 1987. He returned as reserve-team coach and player in June 1990 following Charlton's relegation, stepping up to first-team coach when Mike Flanagan was sacked in the October of that year.

When Lawrence left abruptly for Middlesbrough the following summer, Curbishley was handed the manager's post on a 50/50 basis with fellow senior professional Steve Gritt. The pair steered the Addicks close to the promotion play-offs, despite being forced to play at Upton Park, while the planned renovation of The Valley continued to drag on due to a crisis in funding.

The team also began the 1992/3 season brightly, but the duo were forced to sell Robert Lee to Newcastle to help close the financial gap and eventually finished in mid-table. Charlton had finally been able to return to their traditional home in December 1992 and continued to out-perform most pundits' expectations until a mediocre 1994/5 campaign and the appointment of Richard Murray as managing director led to the sacking of Gritt in June that year.

East-ender Curbishley has since been in sole charge and he steered the team to the play-off semi-finals in 1996 before losing to Crystal Palace. Although he remains registered as a player, he has not appeared in the first team since an away game at Portsmouth in August 1993. But despite his 39 years, Curbs did come on as substitute during the 1997 pre-season tour of Ireland at Bray.

Curbishley's finest hour came at Wembley on May 25th, 1998, when he saw his Charlton team gain promotion to the Premiership at Sunderland's expense following a penalty shoot-out.

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I'm beginning to think I've picked up the curse of the Blair Witch!

So much so that, before tonight's match I'm going to have a look around the County Ground car park for small piles of pebbles and strange stickmen that may be hanging from the floodlights! What's sparked my paranoia? Well in recent weeks I've written three articles for the Gripton Factor - and each has led to a mystery disappearance. My glowing tribute to George Ndah speaks for itself. Weeks after it appeared in the Swindon matchday programme, he vanished without trace. Then my mysterious powers turned to Mark Walters. Wouldn't it be great, I mused, if in the twilight of his playing days he was offered new opportunities at the County Ground, maybe in

a coaching and mentoring capacity. His contribution to Swindon had been substantial, I argued, and his experience really was something we should fight to keep hold of.

Sadly the argument wasn't strong enough for the Blair Witch curse. Again within weeks there is nothing but a ghostly silence in the corner of the dressing room where Mark's boombox used to belt out the speed garage music. And then only three weeks ago my attention switched to the past chairman, Rikki Hunt. Ignore the forces of negativity, I urged the petrol supremo, stay focussed, you're doing a good job. Sadly just a mere mention of his name in this column was enough. Within days, he too had vanished - and that leaves me with a slight problem. Fear of my powers makes it hard to write about other characters at the County Ground. Unless there is someone you want

me to get rid of. Give me a call!

This week is the usual round of madcap stunts and mayhem within BBC Wiltshire Sound, as we all raise money for the annual Children in Need appeal. Remember, remember the 26th of November is the message. This Friday sees the culmination of all this year's effort but tonight, if you'll forgive us, we're out with the collecting tins here at the County Ground. Look out for our promotions team - and spare us a pound or two if you can. At half-time we've a bit of entertainment on the hallowed turf for you - a penalty shoot out with Pudsey Bear in goal. There are some grand prizes to be had - and can I thank you all in advance for your support.

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I took a bit of a bump on the side the head early on against Norwich City, which threw me for a while, but I'm fine now and have been training all week.

Overall we were happy with our performance against Norwich who were a very tough side to beat. Although I had to leave the field quite early in the game we defended extremely well and were delighted to keep a clean sheet against a good attacking side.

If we get to create a few more chances ourselves and put them away the future will look brighter.

Charlton are a very good attacking side and only got relegated from the Premiership last season.

We have to approach the game confident that we can set our stall out as we did against Norwich and get a good result.

gareth
hall

reserve news

with Alan McDonald



Swindon Town Reserves 2
Portsmouth Reserves 1

We started the first half in tremendous fashion and we really got to grips with the new system the Gaffer wants us to play early on.

Charlie reacted well to Jim's flick and put us in the lead after only three minutes. It was just the start we needed and I thought we would go on and win comfortably. However, they got an equaliser which knocked the wind out of our sails and we went in at the break 1-1. We had a chat during the break and discussed a few problems that were arising. It wasn't a classic passing game but I would still regard it as a good game of football and I was very pleased with the attitude and passion we showed as everyone battled hard.

The Gaffer's got 7 goals in four games now and it was a great build-up to the 7th. Kevin Halliday and Richard Hodgson combined very well down the left-hand side, Kevin played a lovely weighted ball with the outside of his foot and it was a tremendous delivery by Richard for the Gaffer - who pulled off the back of his marker to strike home a fantastic volley. The Gaffer has said that he would like to play a 4-4-2 formation in the first team so the reserves will also adopt the new system. Obviously the players have to be used to this formation and their new responsibilities to be ready if they're picked for the first team. As coaches we have to look at different systems and the players have to adapt but at the end of the day, as long as players do their jobs correctly and play better than the other team, they should win. All the players that have played for me this season have been fantastic in their preparation and attitude, they have acquitted themselves well and are getting the results they thoroughly deserve.

We did ride our luck at times and Portsmouth wasted a few opportunities, but you have to make chances count if you want to win games. Games don't always go our way so it's nice to be on the receiving

end of a bit of luck. It's probably the bit of luck that the first team is missing at the moment, if Jim's shot had hit the underside of the bar on Friday night against Norwich it would have gone in and we'd have won the game.

We have Gary Thorne and Richard Hodgson on trial at the moment and both have done well in the side, but it's up to the Gaffer and Mike Walsh if they have done enough to warrant a contract. Richard has some great touches using his quick feet and although he delivered a lovely cross for the winning goal, he's still not as fit as he would like to be. Gary is an old-fashioned defender and clears the ball when it needs to be, a lot like myself, he sticks it in Row Z.

It was good to see both our forwards get on the score-sheet because, with the way the squad is, we need competition for every position. Charlie Griffin has now scored six or seven goals for the reserves and he's improving with every game he plays. Against Portsmouth Charlie showed great pace at times and he looks a lot sharper since his loan spell with Yeovil, so that's good news for the club. He will certainly benefit from playing alongside the Gaffer and, hopefully, some of his experience will rub off. The Gaffer has been able to score goals at every level throughout his career and it's obvious that you can't coach someone to score goals - they must have the instinct to begin with.



Charlie Griffin on target for the reserves.

League Table (STFC results up to 17.11.99)

TEAM	P	W	D	L	F	A	PTS
Swindon	9	7	2	0	22	11	23
Q.P.R.	7	5	2	0	19	6	17
Ipswich	7	5	2	0	22	11	17
Oxford	8	4	2	2	17	12	14
Fulham	8	4	2	2	13	9	14
Peterborough	7	4	1	2	12	7	13
Bournemouth	6	4	1	1	11	11	13
Portsmouth	5	4	0	1	8	6	12
Norwich	8	2	5	1	11	7	11
Bristol Rovers	7	2	2	3	13	10	8
Luton	8	2	2	4	11	13	8
Millwall	6	1	4	1	5	5	7
Brighton	7	2	1	4	12	14	7
Cambridge	7	2	1	4	8	14	7
Northampton	6	1	3	2	10	8	6
Bristol City	5	1	3	1	9	9	6
Colchester	7	1	3	3	7	12	6
Leyton Orient	7	2	0	5	7	18	6
Barnet	7	1	1	5	10	13	4
Wycombe	6	1	1	4	4	11	4
Gillingham	6	1	1	4	3	10	4
Southend	7	0	1	6	7	23	1

Reserve League Fixtures Season 1999/2000

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	2-0
WED OCT 13	LEYTON ORIENT	1-0
WED OCT 27	FULHAM	2-2
Wed Nov 03	Bristol City	4-4
WED NOV 17	PORTSMOUTH	2-1
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
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focus on the with Tom Jones youths

Great news! The youth side have been drawn away to Tottenham Hotspur in the third round of the FA Youth Cup, to be played next Wednesday, 24th November.

More great news! Spurs have confirmed that the tie will be played at White Hart Lane and this will give the lads a tremendous boost. It is brilliant for them to be able to play competitive football at major premiership stadiums at this stage of their careers and we can only hope for a cup campaign as successful as that of last season.

As you will doubtless remember, we beat Leeds in round 3 and drew away at Everton in round 4 and, although the replay at the County Ground didn't go our way, the response from the Town and the tremendous support they

received in the form of a 4,000 plus crowd here was absolutely brilliant. However, this is not a tie to take lightly, the Tottenham set-up is huge and they have a wealth of quality players.

However, whilst we must respect them for the club that they are, we must be focused and confident and must not feel intimidated. After all, our performances in the cup last year will ensure that we will afford our fair share of respect by the Lilywhites. It is a tie to be looked forward to with relish and the lads will most certainly be up for it.

Recently we have struck a rich vein of form and are unbeaten in our last four games, we have been playing really well and are reaping well-justified rewards. Hopefully we can retain that form for



James Williams - eligible to play at White Hart Lane tomorrow evening

was - by the time you read this - a very important fixture on Saturday (20th) when we faced Torquay United in the Alliance Youth Cup - a game we must win if we are qualify for the next stage of the competition. Two tough games in the space of 5 days, let's hope we get the results we need.



centre of with Phil Cannon excellence

Last week the under-12's, 14's and 16's travelled to West Bromwich Albion who could only play 8 v 8 at under-12. For that game we travelled with a full squad of 12 and won the match convincingly.

The under-14's ended up at 3-3 after a great game which saw West Brom come back from 3-1 down.

The under-16's had a really tough game on a heavy pitch and came away with a share of the spoils in a 1-1 draw. Meanwhile, the under-13's and 15's entertained West Brom at Supermarine in what were two excellent games, the younger side winning 1-0 and the under-15's 2-1. On the whole it was a very successful day - not bad at all.

All of the lads are trying very hard to impress at the moment as assessment time looms. We go through this process twice a year, at Christmas and at end of season. The assessments are an on-going thing and are a compilation of the opinions of all the coaching staff and cover all aspects of the boys' progress, both on and off the pitch.

For the under-16's the up-coming assessment is particularly crucial. We here at Swindon prefer to tell boys at this age by the end of January whether or not they are going to be

kept on. This gives them time to try and get themselves sorted with another club.

These are very hard decisions to make and it is not a pleasant task to have to tell a lad that he has to move on. However, it's not as hard as having to convey the same message to an under-19. It's far, far worse at this level. The lads have been with us for three years and put in a lot of hard work.

News of this kind, at that age, is a major blow to their aspirations, but most professional footballers - including many senior international players - suffer rejection at some time in their careers and it's not the end of the world.

We have a good set of lads here at the moment with several very promising prospects at all age levels. The atmosphere in the changing room is brilliant and we have a tremendous rapport with the parents, the supporters and the rest of the club. It all bodes extremely well for the future.

the editor talks with Charlie Griffin...

Q How have you changed as a footballer since you signed towards the end of last season?

A I have been very happy with my progress both on and off the field. I'm learning every day because I didn't realise the switch from non-League to professional football would be such a big step. It's great to be training every day with all the players we have here and it's a major learning experience.

Q Your first league goal came in the defeat against Barnsley last season, how much did it mean to you?

A It was a fantastic moment, especially against quality opposition in front of our home fans on my full debut. It's a very special memory that will stick with me throughout my career. People suggested that I just swung my foot at it! But I did mean to hit it in the top corner.

Q You've been doing very well in the reserves this season in a successful side, how is that helping your development as a player?

A I've scored something like 8 or 9 goals in total but I'm still behind the Gaffer! I have enjoyed these matches very much and I've got to continue scoring goals if I firstly, want to keep my place in the side and secondly, to push for a first team place.

Q You had a loan spell at Yeovil, how did you find that?

A It was good at Yeovil because I got a few more games under my belt and kept up my good form in front of goal.

Q You scored again in the reserves last week, how

desperate are you to push for a first team place?

A Hopefully, I will get a chance because I've been doing my best in the reserves, but there are such quality strikers here at the club, Chris Hay and Iffy are playing very well and then there's the Gaffer! It is difficult but I'll continue to do my best for Swindon and wait for my chance.

Q You've been playing up front with the Gaffer, surely there are very few better teachers in the game?

A It's unbelievable really. It's great to play with someone like the Gaffer because he reads the game so well and talks to you all the time. It's helping because he's bringing a lot more into my game and hopefully I'll continue to learn from his experience.



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talks



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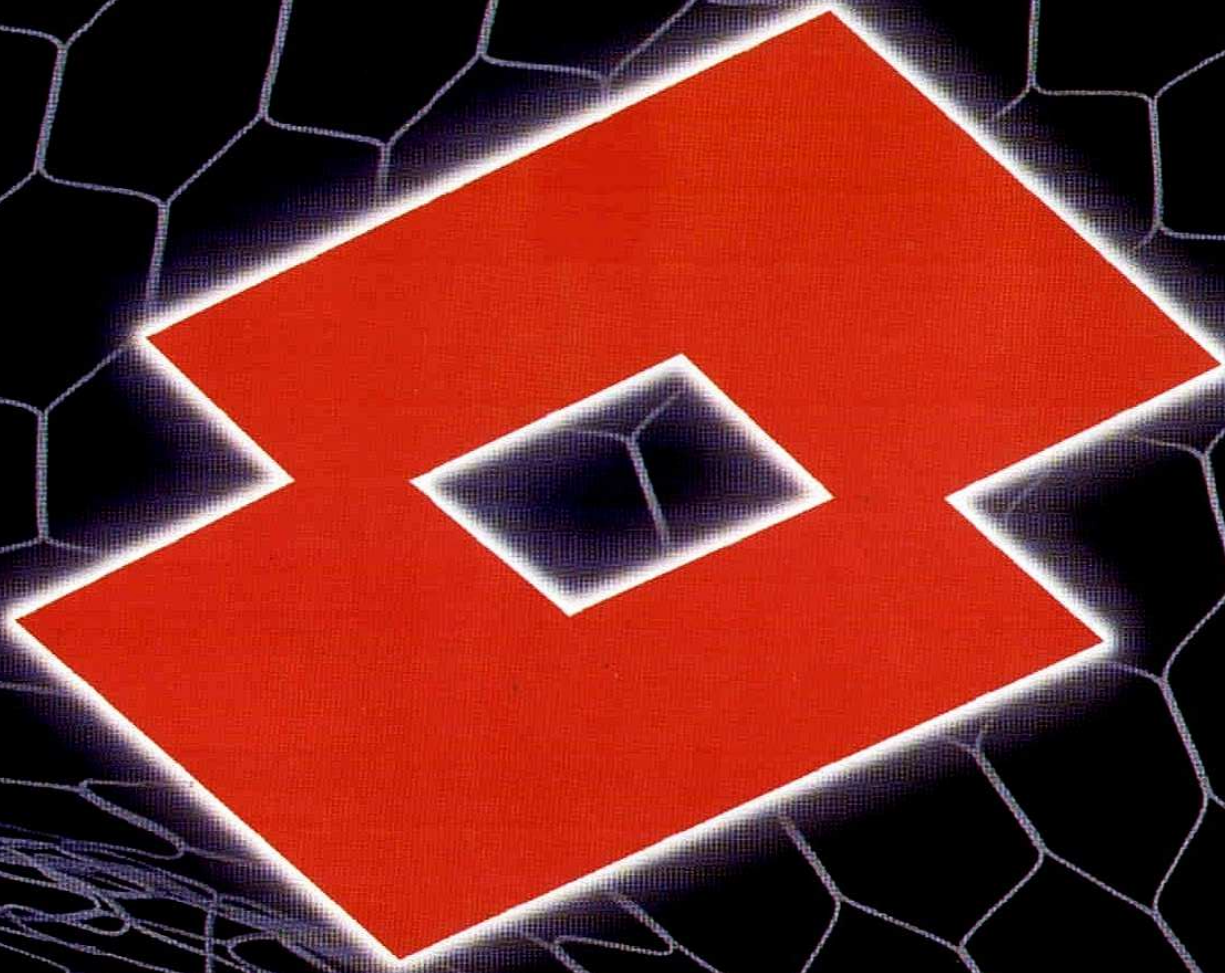
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height	6ft 1ins
weight	13st 10lbs
position	forward

club records

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The S.T.F.C SUPPORTERS CLUB

Despite some difficult times at the Club in recent months there is always reason for hope if everyone pulls together and works towards a common purpose and aim.

It is hard to imagine that it has been just over 6 months since our launch and, although there is an enormous amount of hard work ahead to ensure that the Supporters' Club is a success, we have already made some progress. We believe that we have had some influence in the dialogue which surrounds the major issues which impact on and concern the Football Club. We have stated publicly on a number of occasions the need to turn up at matches to ensure not only vocal support, but also to improve income. It is pleasing to see better turnouts at the last couple of games but we must still urge our members and anyone else with an interest in the Town to try to encourage someone to come with you to every game for the rest of the season.

Although, we have already secured a number of benefits for our members and can now also offer special deals of up to 50% discount on the hire of facilities at the Football Club on specific non-match days. We really need to up the anti

and augment the Football Club's fund raising activities over the coming months and try to really make a difference. The Committee really need anyone who can help with ideas or who can help us to get this initiative off the ground. We are sure there are others out there who have better ideas than our own. Let's make sure that we can use them.

All members please note that our representation on match days, for collection of membership cards etc, has now changed from the information point to a shared facility in the building at present occupied by the away travel organisation. This should be a benefit to everyone and an ideal point to drop off any post etc.



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in the community

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A very good evening to you all and welcome to tonight's clash with Charlton Athletic.

Things have been really hectic in the Community Office with us trying to organise things for the Millennium. In January we will be holding the preliminary matches of our prestigious 8-a-side tournament at Greendown School on Friday 14th and 28th January. All the times are 4 to 6pm. Most schools that we have mailed out to have returned their entry forms, but please chase up your teachers if

they've not yet returned their forms to us here at the Club.

Those of you who have been involved in the competitions before will know that the successful two teams that reach the final will have the chance of playing on the County Ground pitch itself. The winning teams in each competition then go on to represent Swindon Town Football Club in the National competition.



Information is now available for our February course and this can be found in the Main Reception or the Information Centre on the corner of the Arkell's Stand. Alternatively, give us a call on 01793 421303 for further details.

Jon and I are delighted to announce the first win of the season for our Swindon College 3rd team. The lads did us proud in a tight battle against Sheldon School from Chippenham by running out 3-2 winners in a very exciting game. This was our third game of the season so it was great to get some points on the board.

You may remember me telling you about Jon Holloway reaching the 1st round of the FA Cup with Bath City - who are managed by the legendary Paul Bodin. Unfortunately, both were beaten 2-0, but these were their first defeats of the season. Jon has had some great news this week having been selected to represent the Dr Marten's League against a FA XI next month. Well done mate you deserve it!

Finally, a quick reminder about our Birthday Party packages we run here at the Club. Here you can see William Earl pictured here in his Swindon Town shirt celebrating his 7th Birthday on Friday 22nd October. The entire group was able to see all the kit laid out before a game, so it was a real treat for them. If you think you would like to celebrate your birthday with us, give us a call and talk to Luke Sharps on 01793 421303.

All the best, Clive and Jon.



clive and jon



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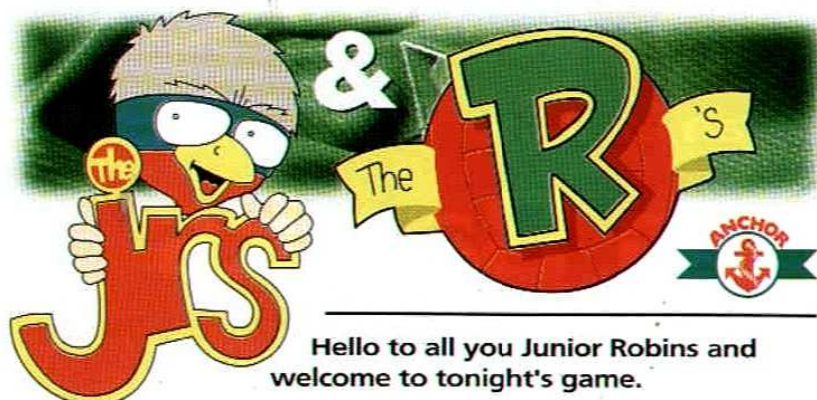
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Our training sessions at the Oasis are getting busier and busier each week and it's really nice to see all your smiling faces enjoying being coached by Shane and Carlo.

The disco on 24th October was very poorly attended, so following on from this we would like to hear from you as to what exactly you would like us to organise for you for Christmas, please write to Kevin at the address below your ideas. We still haven't received any pictures or jokes that we can include on this page, so get your ideas to us.

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

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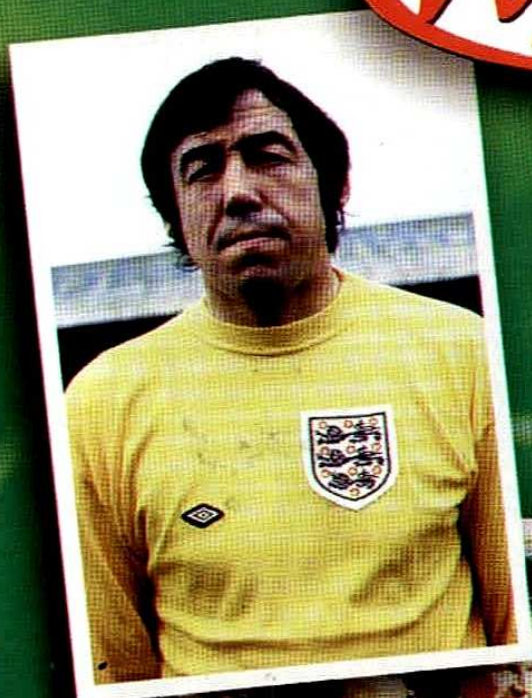
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We went into the game against Norwich after the good beating the week before against Huddersfield but our confidence had not been dented by that result.

walsh's world

with Mike Walsh

I think it showed in our performance on the night. It was quite typical of the way that games have gone for us this season where we've come away with one point but really we should have taken all three. However, I don't think we can complain too much about the performance, commitment and attitude of the players. If we carry on along those lines we are confident that we'll be ok.

We looked at the Huddersfield game and decided that a change of tactics might help us and we worked all week on a 4-4-2 formation. It gives the players something fresh to think about and might help us out defensively and also give us more options going forward. Certainly against Norwich it worked on the defensive side and it

gives us a good foundation to build on and score a few goals. We thought Michael Carrick did extremely well in what was his full League debut because although he's played in the Premiership he hasn't started a match. If we can develop his partnership with Scott Leitch during his spell with us it should work well because he's a great user of the ball. Scott can keep it nice and simple for us and Michael can get forward, open things up for us and hopefully pitch in with a goal or two himself.

We're going up to Wolves and hoping to play an unchanged side and formation. The threat from them will come from Akinbiyi, he's in a good spell and well try and contain him.



news from the treatment room

with Dick Mackey & Dave Moore



Gareth Davies still has this knee problem and he's had a couple of easy days swimming with light exercises.

It's getting better, but slowly because he hasn't made the progress we had hoped. We had it scanned and we now know that there isn't a major problem. It's the tendon which helps to extend the knee, there's a bit of bone and tissue bruising around that tendon which is making it sore on rotary movements so we just need time to get him right.



Philippe Cuervo has done some football training with the youth team and has been working quite hard. He's had a few niggling injuries such as a strained back but it is to be expected after such a long lay-off. We rested him for 48 hours but now he's fine and been doing some ball work. He is on the verge of full training but we still like to keep an eye on him and check his progress.



Ty Gooden is making good progress and joined in with a running squad this morning (Wed 17th) followed by some ball work and now it's a case of making a decision on his fitness.



Graz has had his operation and we won't be able to do anything with him until the wounds have healed. When that does happen we can get him in the pool as quickly as possible and get it moving again. We will keep a check on the injury itself and make sure the operation was successful and also preclude any infection. He can't put any weight on the foot so he will have to do upper-body work until we are confident that he can safely step it up.

You might have seen **Gareth Hall** looking a bit queasy when he came off on Friday night. Thankfully he wasn't concussed, he may have lost consciousness briefly but I'm not too sure about that and there was no retrograde amnesia and no signs of concussion. He has trained well this week.



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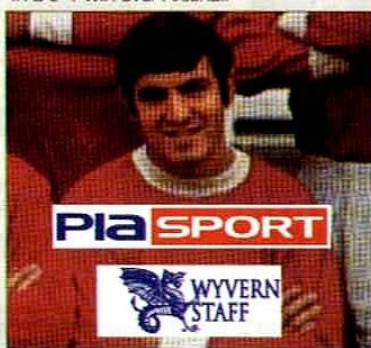
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what's the story?

underneath the arches

The Wembley twin towers' days are sadly numbered. Plans have this week been unveiled for a new 90,000 capacity stadium on the current site.

The £475 million project's main feature will be a massive 133 metre-high arch dominating the skyline and looking down over the city of London. The arch will be illuminated at night and architects hope that it will become an attraction in it's own right, becoming as famous as the historic twin towers.

The Wembley Arch is a concept that has been introduced following the frosty reception that the original plans for the new stadium received earlier in the year. That "knitting needle" idea was criticised by many people inside the game, including Kevin Keegan, for being too similar to the Stade de France in Paris and also resembling the much maligned millenium dome in Greenwich

Besides the arch, very little has changed from the original plans. The sliding roof will be drawn back and forth depending on the weather to create the best environment for the famous

Wembley turf. It will take just fifteen minutes to adjust the roof and, in the event of rain, all spectators will be kept dry. In addition to the structure itself, the stadium will provide food and drink facilities for 40,000 people and create 2,000 jobs.

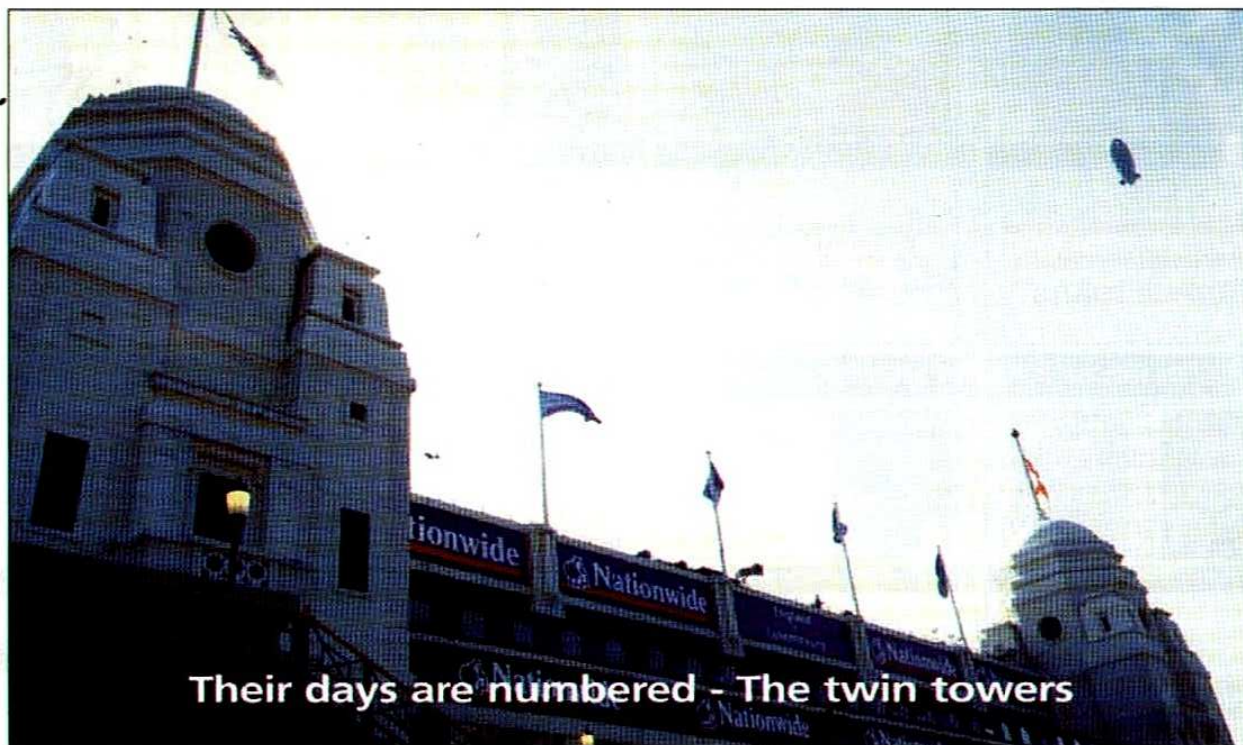
This all sounds very positive and exciting as we travel into the new millennium. England legend Sir Bobby Charlton lent his support to the new plans commenting "The arch is an imaginative and spectacular idea. For years the twin towers have been recognised throughout this country and the world as a symbol of our national game, the arch will be a fitting landmark for the new stadium and will be a magnificent venue for the 2006 world cup final".

But we must look back at Wembley with more than a touch of nostalgia. The white horse F.A cup final, the boys of




1966, Moore, Charlton, Hurst etc, Gazza and Psycho Pearce at Euro 96, Swindon's play off win - and who could forget the marauding Scots ripping up the place in the 70's, the crush walking down Wembley Way, dodging the Horse poo, shuffling in and out of the sparse and ridiculously small toilets, getting closer to strangers than is comfortable and then paying £4.80 for a cup of flat coke and a tepid burger and enduring an awful view perched on seats designed to give you piles.

Mixed memories from the home of football. Wednesday night's brush with near-disaster at the hands of Scotland was the last competitive international fixture at Wembley as we know it. Who knows what the future holds, the 'Golden Arch' of Wembley could be looking down on an England World Cup win in 2006. 1-0 against Scotland.....it all seems a long, long way off.



Their days are numbered - The twin towers



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rank decisions

The latest European club rankings were released last week, giving fans across the continent an opportunity to see just how good their team is... according to UEFA.

The system incorporates factors based on the strength of each league, ratio of wins to defeats and includes bonus points for European results. Currently, Lazio sit top with — somewhat bizarrely — AC Milan in second. They may have been the fourth-best team out of four in their Champion's League group but that means little to UEFA, whose system suggests otherwise.

Even stranger perhaps is the presence of Glasgow Rangers in third place. They also failed to reach the latter stages of the Champion's League yet their weekly thumpings of Kilmarnock and Hibernian are deemed worthy of the third best team in Europe accolade. By the way, in case you were wondering, Manchester United (champions of Europe) are in fact Europe's 11th best side.

Of course, whilst any ranking system will indicate who the best team is, such a list must end somewhere with the very worst teams. So who are the dogs of Europe? Which side props up the rest of the continent with their inimitable brand of comedy football? Step forward the winners of the European Cup Winners Cup in 1983, Aberdeen. This fall from grace may have taken all of 16 years but boy — that's some fall.

bull fighting

Brazilian international and veteran of two World Cup Finals, Bebeto, has come to blows with his Mexican club side Neza, known as the Bulls.

He has threatened to quit after accusing his employers of attempting to force him to play despite being injured. When he refused he was ordered to train separately from his team-mates. During a recent Mexican Championship match against UNAM, Neza players defied their paymasters by sporting tee-shirts under their strip bearing the slogan "Bebeto, we are with you." Somewhat bizarrely their opponents also wore tee-shirts, with the slogan "so are we."

This issue has clearly struck a chord with other players around the country who have also begun to sport tee-shirts bearing messages of solidarity. At present Bebeto is weighing up his options having reputedly received offers from the USA, Brazil and other Mexican clubs.



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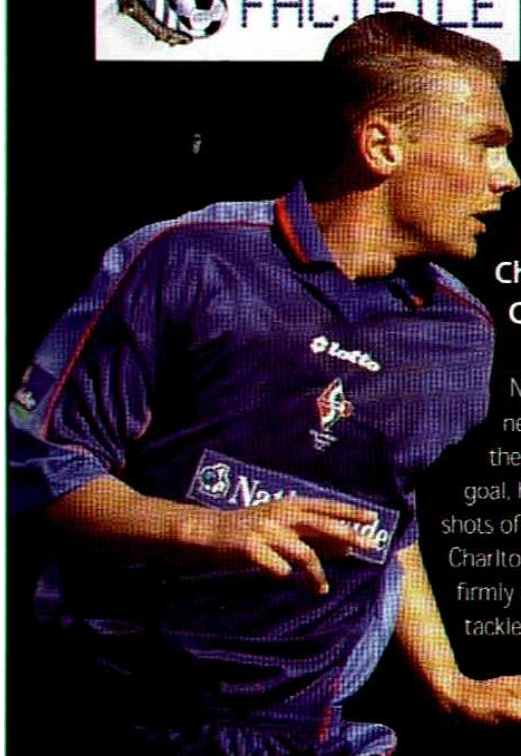
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Sol Davis and Chris Powell
clash this evening as
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Charlton Athletic at the
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Neither player has hit the back of the net this season, though Davis has been the slightly more adventurous in front of goal, having had one shot on target, three shots off target and one blocked. With Charlton's strength up front, Powell's duties lie firmly at the back where he has made 22 tackles and 45 clearances for the Addicks.

Although Powell usually has John Robinson in front of him, the ex-Southend and Derby

minutes on pitch:

Davis: 720

Powell: 1,002

goal attempts

	Davis	Powell
goals	0	0
shots on target (inc goals)	1	1
shots off target	3	1
blocked shots	1	0

passing

	Davis	Powell
goal assists	0	0
total passes	217	407
pass completion	63%	69%

crossing

	Davis	Powell
total crosses	15	21
cross completion	20%	43%

dribbling

	Davis	Powell
dribbles & runs	21	42
dribble completion	76%	88%

defending

	Davis	Powell
tackles made	21	22
tackles won	33%	59%
blocks	8	7
clearances	36	45
interceptions	2	7

discipline

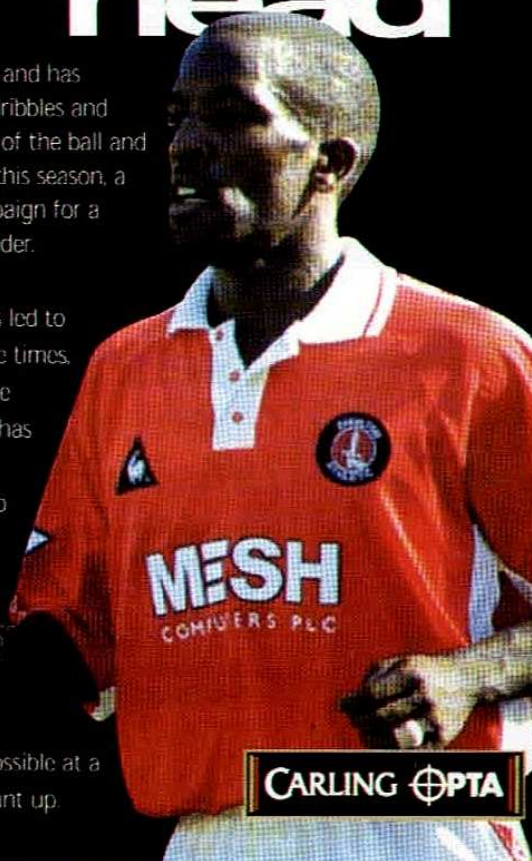
	Davis	Powell
fouls	6	7
offside	3	0
yellow cards	3	0
red cards	0	0

head to head

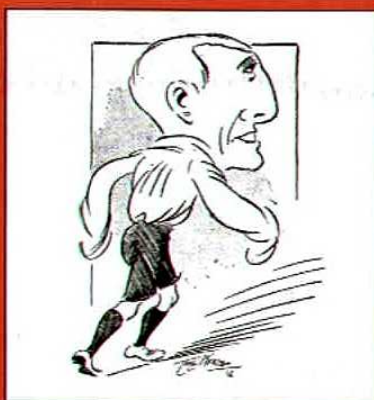
**Sol Davis v
Chris Powell**

man loves to run with the ball and has completed 88 per cent of his dribbles and runs. He is an accurate crosser of the ball and is yet to receive a yellow card this season, a rarity at this stage of the campaign for a first-choice Division One defender.

Davis' willingness to attack has led to him being flagged offside three times, and the amount of pressure the Town defence has been under has led to him being cautioned on three occasions. He will have to go carefully in the next few weeks to avoid suspension over the busy Christmas period, in order that Jimmy Quinn has as many players available as possible at a time when injuries always mount up.



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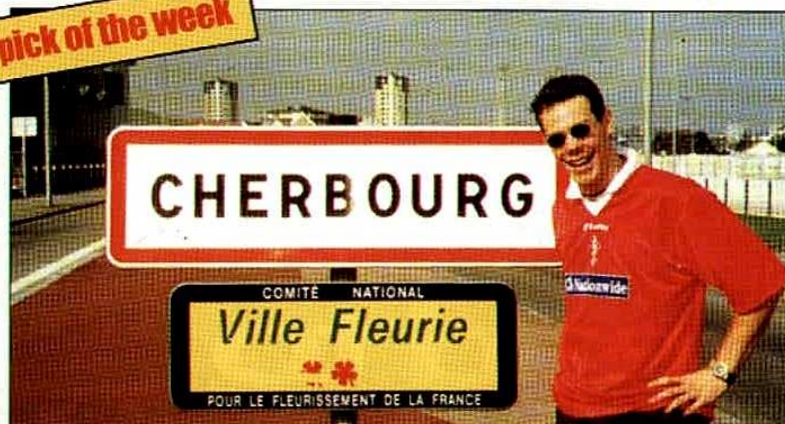
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Gene Peterson is 'showing his colours' in Cherbourg. Gene is a student studying at Loughborough University and is pictured on his annual pilgrimage last summer.

Great snap, keep them coming!

rockin' robin missing!



have you seen this bird?

havanna great time!

Pictured here are Andy Cowley and Wendy Lancaster 'showing their colours' in Santa Lucia, Cuba, whilst holidaying back in January.

It's great to see Town fans Home & Away!



**"We're going to Holland
we're going to Holland
- you're not you're not".**

Well boys if that's how you're going to play when we get there then you might be better off packing your suitcases and heading to Majorca for a couple of weeks. Certainly two weeks in the sun would appear preferential to subjecting European football to our unique brand of inconsistency.

How a team packed so full of gifted individuals, who had beaten the Auld Enemy so comprehensively just five days before, could turn into such a passionless rabble with all the attacking gumption of a teletubbie with a cotton bud, is one of life's great mysteries. Whereas at Hampden Park England exuded togetherness, at Wembley they appeared shorn of ideas, inspiration and most worryingly motivation.

The manner in which they meekly subsided to the oldest foe poses serious questions. With Euro 2000 only 8 months away, England will meet stronger teams than Scotland in Holland and Belgium and their frailties will be more ruthlessly exposed by sides with more to offer than Scotland's rather powderpuff attack.

Seldom has hope given way so quickly to despair. England may have gone through to the finals but it was the Scots who were celebrating at the final whistle. Winning their first game against England for 18 years may not have been enough to force their way into the European Championships, but they have won Great Britain's footballing gloating rights until the next time they meet.

What now for England after a victory as hollow as an 800 year-old Oak tree? A series of friendlies looms against the likes of Brazil, Germany and Holland. After what we witnessed on Wednesday night the embarrassment may not have ended at Wembley.



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looking ahead

Tonight we take a look at Swindon's next two fixtures. On Saturday we travel to Birmingham City then, on the following Saturday, we entertain Walsall here at the County Ground.

Birmingham



the lowdown...

Slowly but surely Birmingham City are making their move. It's now 14 seasons since the Blues last tasted top-flight football but, after a re-building programme that has seen them rise from Second Division obscurity to the Division play-offs, they now have the playing staff and infrastructure to match many of the Premiership clubs. Birmingham's steady progress over the past few seasons has all been geared to a return to the top flight. They've finished 15th, 11th, 7th and 4th in the past four seasons and if they can maintain such progress this season promotion should beckon. However whatever happens Birmingham City are heading in the right direction.



the reason to watch...

Who will ever forget the Town's amazing comeback at St Andrew's in 1993. 4-1 down with half an hour to go, Glenn Hoddle's side fired in five un-answered goals to win the match 6-4. If this forthcoming game is half as exciting as that encounter, it will be well worth the journey.

the last five meetings...

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Swindon Town 1-1 Birmingham City 20.12.97
Swindon Town 3-1 Birmingham City 26.02.96

the player to watch...

Blue's manager Trevor Francis describes David Holdsworth as one of the best defenders outside the Premiership - and it's not hard to see why. Whilst twin brother Dean scores goals for Bolton, David stops them with equal glee and in a style that earned him England under 21 honours. A crucial rock at the heart of Birmingham's defence and one of the main reasons why Francis' side is doing so well.

Walsall



the lowdown...

It took Mohammed Al Fayed's millions to help Fulham clinch a place in the First Division for this season, but Walsall only needed a paltry £30,000 to follow the same route as the Londoners! That's how much Ray Graydon spent last season in strengthening the squad he inherited when he took over the top job at the Bescot Stadium in May 1998. Graydon's men finished 14 points adrift of Al Fayed's powerful Fulham line-up but five clear of their closest challengers, Manchester City - a remarkable achievement that the Walsall boss can be justifiably proud of.

the reason to watch..

This will be another six-pointer against one of the teams down there with us in the basement of the First Division. With home advantage anything less than three points will be a severe blow to our survival chances and a 0-0 draw at the Bescot on opening day was a good enough performance to suggest that we have a very good chance of victory.

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the player to watch...

Mark Robins has joined the Saddlers strike-force to re-kindle a partnership with Andy Rammell as they played together in Manchester United reserves. Mark though, unlike Andy, went on to first-team action playing over 50 times and scoring 17 goals before being sold to Norwich in 1992. Here, he had a successful stay and was transferred for £1million to Leicester City in 1995. After two and a half seasons as a regular member of the team, he fell out of favour and eventually moved to the continent, having spells in Spain and Greece.



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div 1	Flash	Walsall 0 - 0 Blackburn Rovers	Booked: Jeff Kenna (20) foul

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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	3-2
Sun 10th Oct	Bristol Rovers FAC1	2-5
Sun 17th Oct	Bath City	140
Sun 24th Oct	League Cup 1st Round	
Sun 31st Oct	Bristol Rovers	0-4
Sun 7th Nov	FA Cup 2nd Round	
Sun 14th Nov	Yeovil Town	1-2
Sun 21st Nov	Cheltenham Town	H
Sun 28th Nov	Newport Strikers	A
Sun 5th Dec	Southampton	A
Sun 12th Dec	Denham United	H
Sun 19th Dec	Oxford United	H
Sun 9th Jan	Bristol City	A
Sun 16th Jan	Saltash Pilgrims	H
Sun 23rd Jan	Southampton	A
Sun 30th Jan	Portsmouth	H
Sun 6th Feb	Bath City	A
Sun 13th Feb	Bristol Rovers	A
Sun 20th Feb	Yeovil Town	H
Sun 27th Feb	Cheltenham	A
Sun 5th Mar	League Cup Semi-final	
Sun 12th Mar	Newport Strikers	H
Sun 19th Mar	Denham United	A
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	-
Sat 18th Sept	AFC Bournemouth	0-7
Sat 25th Sept	Trowbridge Town	5-3
Sat 2nd Oct	Yeovil Town	2-2
Sat 9th Oct	Bashley FC	3-0
Sat 16th Oct	Bath City	0-3
Sat 23rd Oct	Bristol Rovers	4-0
Sat 30th Oct	Cardiff City	2-0
Sat 6th Nov	Cardiff City	1-0
Sat 13th Nov	Cirencester	0-1
Sat 20th Nov	Swansea City	A
Sat 27th Nov	Plymouth Argyle	H
Sat 4th Dec	Newport County	A
Sat 11th Dec	AFC Bournemouth	A
Sat 18th Dec	Trowbridge Town	H
Sat 8th Jan	Yeovil Town	A
Sat 15th Jan	Bashley FC	H
Sat 22nd Jan	Bath City	A
Sat 29th Jan	Bristol Rovers	H

Swindon Town's (Home) South West Counties Youth League matches are played at Supermarine and Kick Off at 11.00am (subject to change without prior notice.)

The red band indicates the next home match for each of our sides.

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The Football League Youth Alliance Season 1999/2000



Sat 21 Aug	Cirencester	-
Sat 14th Aug	Plymouth Argyle	1-0
Sat 21st Aug	Torquay United	3-4
Sat 28th Aug	Swansea City	1-1
Sat 4th Sept	Cirencester	0-0
Sat 18th Sept	Exeter City	2-2
Sat 2nd Oct	Bristol Rovers	2-4
Sat 16th Oct	Cardiff City	2-4
Sat 23rd Oct	Plymouth Argyle	1-1
Sat 30th Oct	Cardiff City	1-1
Sat 6th Nov	Exeter City	3-0
Sat 20th Nov	Torquay United	H
Wed 24th Nov	Tottenham Hotspur (AC)	A
Sat 27th Nov	Plymouth Argyle	A
Sat 4th Dec	Torquay United	H
Sat 11th Dec	Swansea City	A
Sat 8th Jan	Exeter City	A
Sat 15th Jan	Cirencester	H
Sat 22nd Jan	Cardiff City	A
Sat 29th Jan	Cup 2	
Sat 5th Feb	Bristol Rovers	H
Wed 1st Mar	Cup Quarter Final	
Wed 22nd Mar	Cup Semi Final	
Sun 16th Apr	Cup Final	

Swindon Town's (Home) Football League Youth Alliance matches are played at Supermarine and Kick Off at 11.00am (subject to change without prior notice.)

Swindon Town Centre of Excellence Fixtures Season 1999/2000

Under 15s

Sun 22 Aug	Cardiff City	A
Sun 29 Aug	Bournemouth	H
Sun 05 Sept	West Brom	A
Sun 12 Sept	Plymouth Argyle	A
Sun 10 Sept	Cheltenham Town	A
Sun 26 Sept	Exeter City	H
Sun 17 Oct	Swansea City	A
Sun 24 Oct	Bristol Rovers	H
Sun 31 Oct	Cardiff City	H
Sun 7 Nov	Bournemouth	A
Sun 14 Nov	West Brom	H
Sun 21 Nov	Plymouth Argyle	H
Sun 28 Nov	Cheltenham Town	H
Sun 5 Dec	Exeter City	A
Sun 30 Jan	Swansea City	H
Sun 6 Feb	Bristol Rovers	A
Sun 13 Feb	Cardiff City	A
Sun 20 Feb	Bournemouth	H
Sun 27 Feb	West Brom	A
Sun 5 Mar	Plymouth Argyle	A
Sun 12 Mar	Cheltenham Town	H
Sun 19 Mar	Exeter City	H
Sun 09 Apr	Swansea City	A
Sun 16 Apr	Bristol Rovers	H

Under 14s

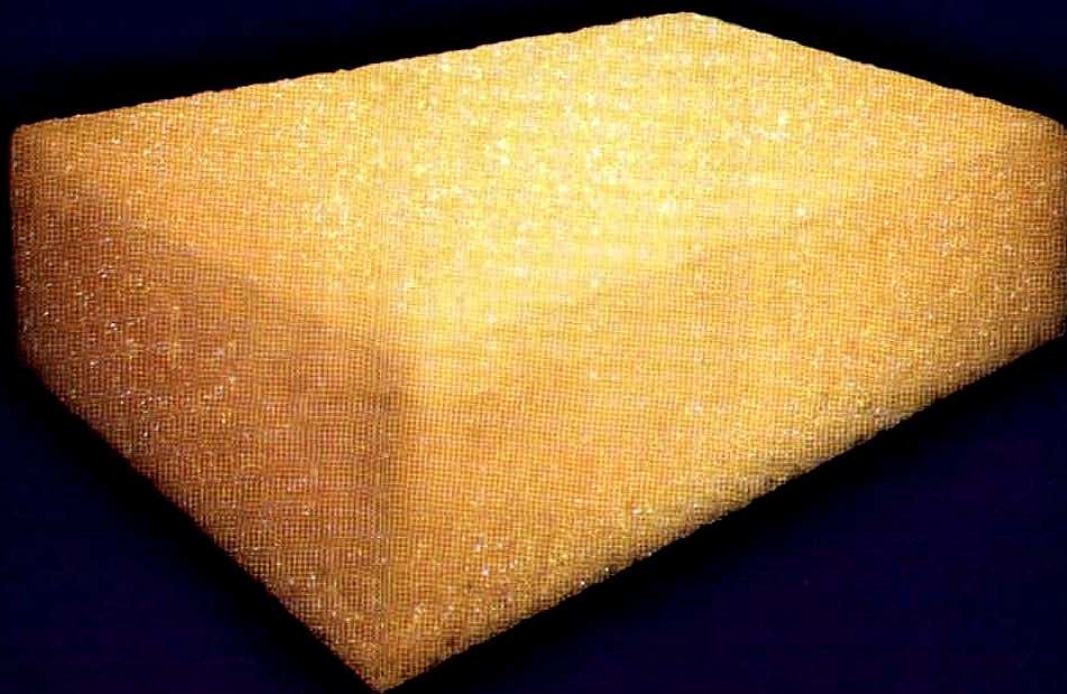
Sun 22 Aug	Cardiff City	A
Sun 29 Aug	Bournemouth	A
Sun 05 Sept	West Brom	H
Sun 12 Sept	Plymouth Argyle	A
Sun 10 Sept	Cheltenham Town	H
Sun 26 Sept	Exeter City	A
Sun 17 Oct	Swansea City	H
Sun 24 Oct	Bristol Rovers	H
Sun 31 Oct	Cardiff City	H
Sun 7 Nov	Bournemouth	H
Sun 14 Nov	West Brom	A
Sun 21 Nov	Plymouth Argyle	H
Sun 28 Nov	Cheltenham Town	A
Sun 5 Dec	Exeter City	H
Sun 23 Jan	Torquay Utd	A
Sun 30 Jan	Swansea City	H
Sun 6 Feb	Bristol Rovers	A
Sun 13 Feb	Cardiff City	A
Sun 20 Feb	Bournemouth	A
Sun 27 Feb	West Brom	H
Sun 5 Mar	Plymouth Argyle	A
Sun 12 Mar	Cheltenham Town	H
Sun 19 Mar	Exeter City	A
Sun 26 Mar	Torquay Utd	H
Sun 09 Apr	Swansea City	A
Sun 16 Apr	Bristol Rovers	H

Under 13s

Sun 22 Aug	Cardiff City	H
Sun 29 Aug	Bournemouth	A
Sun 5 Sept	West Brom	A
Sun 12 Sept	Plymouth Argyle	H
Sun 19 Sept	Cheltenham Town	H
Sun 26 Sept	Exeter City	A
Sun 3 Oct	Torquay United	A
Sun 17 Oct	Swansea City	H
Sun 24 Oct	Bristol Rovers	A
Sun 31 Oct	Cardiff City	A
Sun 7 Nov	Bournemouth	H
Sun 14 Nov	West Brom	H
Sun 21 Nov	Plymouth Argyle	A
Sun 28 Nov	Cheltenham Town	A
Sun 5 Dec	Exeter City	H
Sun 23 Jan	Torquay United	H
Sun 30 Jan	Swansea City	A
Sun 6 Feb	Bristol Rovers	H
Sun 13 Feb	Cardiff City	H
Sun 20 Feb	Bournemouth	A
Sun 27 Feb	West Brom	A
Sun 5 Mar	Plymouth Argyle	H
Sun 12 Mar	Cheltenham Town	H
Sun 19 Mar	Exeter City	A
Sun 26 Mar	Torquay United	A
Sun 9 Apr	Swansea City	H
Sun 16 Apr	Bristol Rovers	A

Under 12s

Sun 22 Aug	Cardiff City	H
Sun 29 Aug	Bournemouth	A
Sun 5 Sept	West Brom	A
Sun 12 Sept	Plymouth Argyle	H
Sun 17 Oct	Swansea City	H
Sun 24 Oct	Bristol Rovers	A
Sun 31 Oct	Cardiff City	A
Sun 7 Nov	Bournemouth	H
Sun 14 Nov	West Brom	H
Sun 21 Nov	Plymouth Argyle	A
Sun 5 Dec	Exeter City	A
Sun 30 Jan	Swansea City	A
Sun 6 Feb	Bristol Rovers	H
Sun 13 Feb	Cardiff City	H
Sun 20 Feb	Bournemouth	A
Sun 27 Feb	West Brom	A
Sun 5 Mar	Plymouth Argyle	H
Sun 19 Mar	Exeter City	H
Sun 9 Apr	Swansea City	H
Sun 16 Apr	Bristol Rovers	A



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away day review@

Matty 'Flash' Hirst travels with the Town 'fans of the week' and he gives us his verdict on his trip to Soccer AM...



After the uninspiring, but hopeful, battle against Norwich City myself and the six other Town fans jumped on a train to Middlesex. 12.30am arrive, book into a hotel/curry house and demand the bar be re-opened so as to steady our increasingly jangling nerves. 7 1/2 hours to go to live TV and I'm wondering whose idea was this? at 3.30am we leave the bar full of confidence - and beer!

6.05am alarm call. 6.15am get up. 6.30am down for breakfast and looking like I'd already done four hours of quality live TV! 7.15am arrive at Soccer AM. One quick

five minute run-through and they say we're ready... I think not!



Once the first half-hour was out the way, we were all mad for it. The nerves disappeared and we all got right into it. That is the highest compliment I can give to the presenters, guests, producers and runners. They made us feel at ease right from the start. The only disappointment was losing the Lobstar game 2-1 to the Jocko's. Gutted!

Finally, Hell's-Bells is a complete babe! Ten times better in the flesh, know what I mean. Cheers Matt...

out of 10

Set:	7
Smaller than I thought	
Tim Lovejoy	9
Great header of the ball	
Hell's Bells	10
A 'class babe' act	
Star Guests:	8
Friendly, game for a laugh	
Lobstar:	5
Gutted! We were rubbish	
Food & Drink:	8
Great bacon sarnies	
England match:	10
The right result	
Moment of the Day:	20
See picture!!	
Overall Verdict:	99

Class day, feel very lucky to have met the Soccer AM team and England winning capped a great day! Thanks Soccer AM!

town ladies by Roger Reeves

The Town ladies lost top spot in the South West Combination League when they were beaten 2-1 at Yeovil Town.

The Town kicked off with the advantage of the slope in the first half (do all football pitches in Yeovil have slopes?) but were unable to break through the home defence. Yeovil scored early in the second half but Leanne Taylor ran onto Clare Wheeler's through ball to equalise. With time running out Yeovil got the winner two minutes from the end.

The Town Reserves were held to a 1-1 draw with Tring Town in the Southern Region League. Natalia Zarcynski got the final touch after the keeper could n't hold

Tracy Mackeddies powerful drive. On Sunday the Town travel to Wales to face Newport Strikers in the South West Combination League. Newport won the South West Regional League last season, so are playing their first season at this higher level. The side have quickly adjusted to the new league and already look to be challenging for honours. Last season however, the two sides met on the County Ground Extension in the first round of the AXA Womens' FA Cup. The Town narrowly won through by two goals to one against a very good young side. The Town Reserves are also away and travel to Buckinghamshire to face Chesham United in the Southern Region League. Last season the honours were even, with both sides winning their home matches.



NETTI WYNESS,
was awarded her County cap for her 10th appearance for Wiltshire.

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Good evening and welcome to tonight's Division One fixture against Charlton Athletic.

On Saturday we travel up the M5 again to take on Birmingham City at St Andrew's. City are offering all Town juniors entrance at just £1, so we hope that will encourage more of you to travel. Our last away League fixture before Christmas takes us to Maine Road, where match tickets will be just £10 for Town fans, but seats will be in an uncovered area.

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St Andrew's Stadium

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Nationwide League Division One

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Children: £6.00

600 away tickets available.



Maine Road Stadium

TRAVEL INFORMATION

Depart COUNTY GROUND: 11.15PM
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Adult Fare: £8.00*
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TRAVEL INFORMATION

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Depart ERMIN STREET: 9.30AM
Depart WEST SWINDON: 9.00AM

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Club's Home Colours:

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Stadium Stats:

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Away Allocation: 2,400

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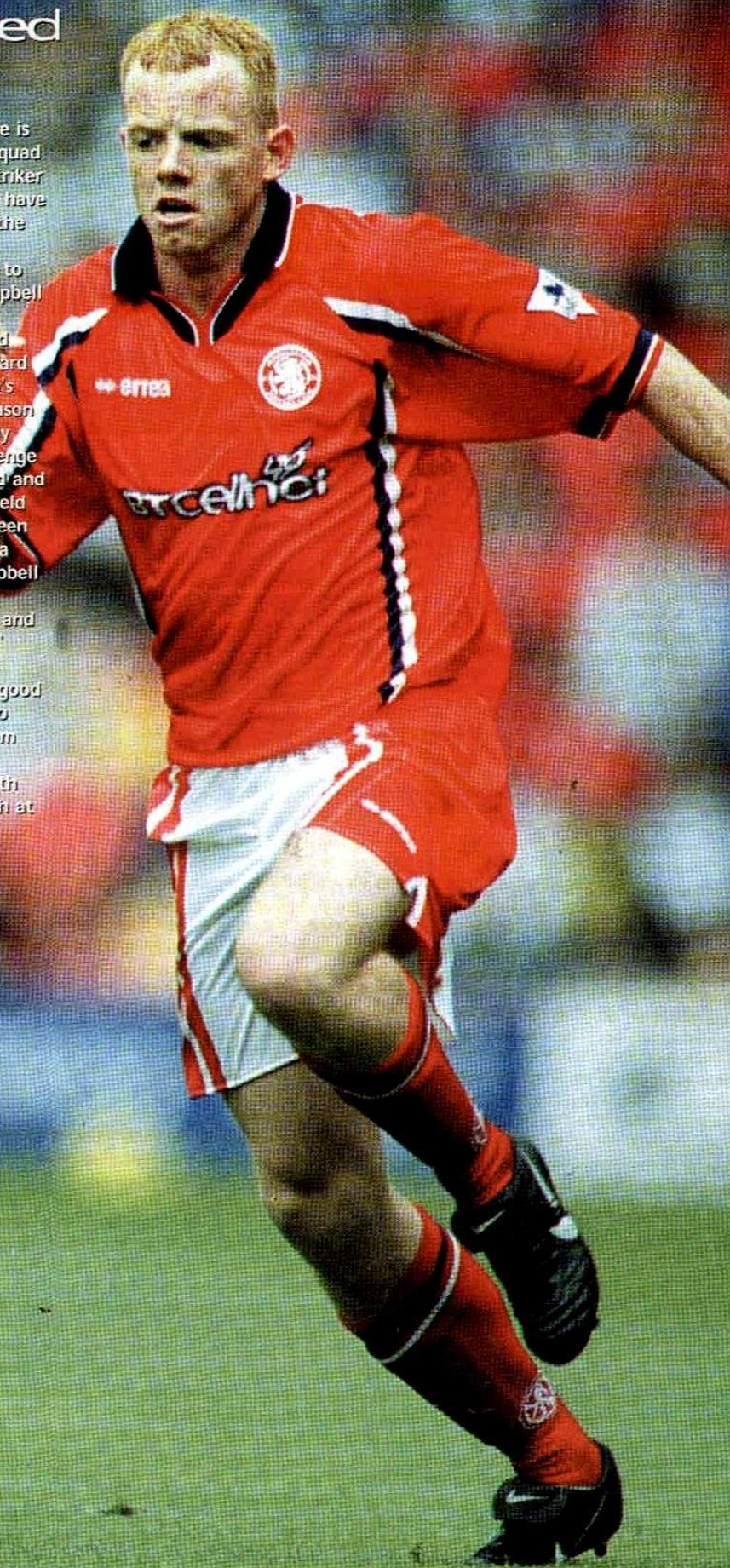
Apparently they do a really
good Balti on the Ladypool
Road and alcohol is served in
the away end.

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terriers need more bite

Huddersfield boss Steve Bruce is set to add to his improving squad and bid for Middlesbrough striker Andy Campbell. Huddersfield have made an impressive start to the season and will need more strength in depth if they are to push for promotion and Campbell could be just the man to challenge Clyde Wijnhard and Marcus Stewart for the forward positions. Campbell was Boro's leading scorer during pre-season matches but has not regularly made the first team to challenge Brian Deane, Hamilton Ricard and Alun Armstrong. A Huddersfield spokesman said: "Steve has been talking about the player for a while now, and he took Campbell on loan when manager of Sheffield United last season, and obviously liked what he saw." The high-flying Terriers boss admitted: "I think Andy is a good player and I will be talking to Bryan when he gets back from holiday. I don't want to get involved in talking money with anyone except Middlesbrough at the moment."



rovers' renaissance?



Blackburn Rovers are still without a manager and, despite the fact that the directors are quite happy for Parkes to run things in the short-term, they are anxious to find a successor to Brian Kidd who was sacked last month.

Ex-Liverpool managers Roy Evans and Graeme Souness have already announced their interest in the vacant post but this time, Blackburn will have to be certain they pick the right man to steer Chairman Jack Walkers' off-course stars back to the Premiership.

Since the time Kenny Dalglish stepped down as manager after winning the Premiership crown in 1995, the story at Ewood Park has been one of terminal decline. Ray Harford, Roy Hodgson and, most recently, Brian Kidd have failed to take the club where Walker wants them - the heights of European football. No doubt with the transfer kitty available there will be no shortage of willing applicants but, unless it is resolved soon, Blackburn's stay in the First Division may be longer than expected.

happy farrellys

Bolton's new loan signing Gareth Farrelly may be the man to plug the hole left by Per Frandsen's move to Blackburn. The young Everton midfielder scored on his debut for Wanderers in the 2-1 win at Sheffield United. The midfielder said: "I haven't played for a very long time and coming here is a great opportunity for me. I suddenly heard on Thursday that Bolton wanted to take me along and I was delighted. I need some continuity in games to get my sharpness back."



toddy's hot water



Bolton defender Andy Todd has been suspended indefinitely and could face further disciplinary action after an incident that left Bolton's assistant boss Phil Brown needing medical treatment. The incident occurred on a club night out and Todd, the 25-year-old son of former Bolton manager Colin, who resigned in September, is the subject of an immediate investigation launched by the Division One club. A Bolton statement read: 'The alleged incident has led to Phil Brown, assistant manager, needing medical treatment. The club is investigating the full circumstances, and disciplinary action could follow.' ...STOP PRESS...Todd signed for Charlton £750,000



john leaves crew astern

Nottingham Forest boss David Platt has snapped up Dwight Yorke's strike partner at international level. Stern John joined Forest in a £1.5m deal from US side Columbus Crew. The move for Stern John came after two-months of pursuit for the Trinidad and Tobago star. The 22-year-old was also being tracked by Watford, Leicester and Newcastle so Platt was quick secure a work permit and said: "It's no secret we've been chasing Stern for some time, and we're delighted all the hard work has paid off."

"A number of other clubs showed an interest in him, but I know he's excited about the prospect of joining us."

	P	W	D	L	F	A	P.TS.
MAN CITY	17	11	3	3	26	11	36
CHARLTON	16	11	2	3	32	17	35
HUDDERSFIELD	18	10	4	4	36	20	34
BARNLEY	17	10	1	6	33	26	31
IPSWICH	17	8	4	5	31	22	28
FULHAM	17	7	7	3	20	14	28
BIRMINGHAM	17	7	6	4	27	19	27
STOCKPORT	17	7	6	4	22	23	27
BOLTON	17	7	5	5	26	19	26
QPR	17	6	7	4	24	21	25
WOLVERHAMPTON	16	6	7	3	18	15	25
NORWICH	17	6	6	5	16	15	24
WEST BROM	16	4	9	3	16	16	21
TRANMERE	18	5	5	8	23	27	20
PORTSMOUTH	18	5	5	8	25	31	20
GRIMSBY	17	5	4	8	17	28	19
NOTTM FOREST	17	4	6	7	21	21	18
CRYSTAL PALACE	17	4	5	8	23	30	17
BLACKBURN	15	3	7	5	17	18	16
PORT VALE	18	4	4	10	19	26	16
SHEFF UTD	17	4	4	9	19	29	16
WALSALL	18	3	6	9	14	28	15
SWINDON	18	3	5	10	12	29	14
CREWE	16	3	4	9	15	27	13

**Brazilian club side
Flamengo have
sensationally sacked
former Brazilian
international and World
Cup winner Romário.**

The former 'World Footballer of the Year' was seen at a nightclub the day after his team were knocked out of the Brazilian championship. Flamengo President Edmundo Santos Silva said that Romário had to be axed after leaving the team hotel against orders after a losing 3-1 to Juventude the day before.

Santos Silva claimed, "He went to a nightclub to have a good time while millions of fans were crying at home. The Romário era has finished, against my will. My heart is very sad at this, bleeding and crying."

The 3-1 defeat in the Brazilian championship meant that Flamengo failed to finish in the top eight although they did qualify for a consolation tournament where the winners will have the chance to play in next year's South American Libertadores Cup.

The 33-year-old star signed for Flamengo in 1995 and confirmed that he was no longer required at the club. "From what I know, I've been kicked out because I went out for the night," he said.

Romário was Flamengo's top scorer in this year's Brazilian championship with 12 goals in 21 games and has had a glittering career that also took him to Spanish giants Barcelona and later Valencia. His six goals in the 1994 World Cup steered Brazil to their long awaited fourth world crown and won him the tournaments 'Golden Boot' along with the hearts of a nation.

by Daniel
Fylan-Smith

a fan's stfc history

Part Two

As we approach the Millennium, Daniel Fylan-Smith looks back at the ups and downs of Swindon Town F.C.

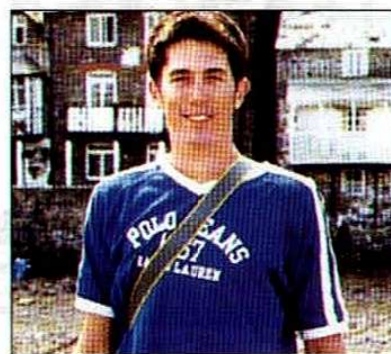
The 1909/10 season saw Swindon progressing in the Cup with another home draw which saw Swindon defeat Manchester City 2-0 taking them to the semi-finals.

In the Swindon team there was a Scottish international called Jock Walker who had the ability to tackle and dribble which made him a formidable opponent. When Jock ended his playing days he went on to be a board member at the club. Others included Billy Silto, an England International, and the leading scorer Archie Brown who packed an extremely powerful shot. The semi-final was played at Tottenham's ground but it didn't turn out to be a classic, Swindon ended up losing 2-0 to the eventual winners Newcastle. Swindon were invited to play Barnsley in Paris on May 5th at Parc des Princes. Swindon won 2-1 with Fleming scoring both the goals that clinched the Dubonnet Cup.

The following season Swindon got into the quarter-finals, only being beaten by Chelsea 1-0 at Stamford Bridge. It turned out to be the biggest attendance of all the quarter-finals as 78,000 watched from the terraces. Swindon ended up winning the league with a fitting end to the season. They clinched the Southern League championship against Brighton, finishing five points clear of the chasing pack and the players were awarded £25 each for winning the championship. Before the 1912-13 season Swindon went on a tour of Argentina and played eight games, winning six and drawing two. One of the matches was against an Argentina XI - virtually a national side. This was one of the greatest sides in the club's history, the dream of a Wembley final

had eluded them but they had played with honour, had exciting players and made sure that the name of Swindon was indelibly marked on the football map. With the impending war, the end of league football had been anticipated and it forced four players; Bolland, Silto, Skiller and Wheatcroft to share the last Southern League match of the season at the County Ground as a benefit game - the match, against Millwall, resulted in a 3-0 victory for Swindon.

The start of the 1938-39 season saw a grand ceremony to mark the opening, by local MP Wavell Wakefield, of a new stand on what is now the Town End of the ground. However, on the field things weren't that good, Swindon went out of the cup in the 2nd round and finished only 9th in the league. The onset of war resulted in the suspension of league football in but football did not cease completely at the County Ground. Occasional friendly matches were played there involving local sides such as Bristol City and Bristol Rovers, while a number of teams from sections of the armed services played here, including the Wiltshire Regiment of Royal Engineers and the Army Flying Corps



The immediate post-war years were difficult times for the club, the ground had deteriorated during the war years from very little use and there were severe restrictions on football ground repairs and renovations enforced by the Ministry of Works. However, despite these problems Swindon finished 4th in Division 3 South when league football resumed in the season 1946-47, but slipped to 16th the following year. In the cup they more than made amends, new signing Morris Jones from Port Vale contributed vastly to defeats of Ipswich, Aldershot and Burnley before losing to Southampton 3-0.

A board meeting held on 15th May 1947 revealed the club's sorry financial situation. It was overdrawn by £7,188 and was forced to sell properties on Vicarage Road and key players such as Jones, who went to Crystal Palace for £3,000 after having scored 13 goals in 27 games for The Town.

In the next issue we will continue into the 1950's with the advent of floodlit football at the County Ground.





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Swindon Town are helping to raise cash for Children in Need. BBC Wiltshire Sound have organised a charity penalty shoot-out at half time. Pudsey Bear will be between the sticks to face three lucky fans officiated by Rockin' Robin.

Last year Children in Need raised £20 million across the UK.

£9.3 million went to children living in poverty and deprivation.

£5.7 went to children suffering from illness, distress, abuse or neglect.

£4.1 million went to children with mental or physical disabilities.

£0.9 million went to children with behavioural and psychological disorders.

Last year Children in Need raised £150,000 in Wiltshire.

In the County the following groups received grants:

Commonweal School (Swindon) - funding for Outward Bound courses for children with physical disabilities.

Downland School (Devizes) - residential school for children with emotional/behavioural difficulties - a grant towards canoeing equipment.

Home Start Kennet - support for children under stress for outings.

Home Start Swindon - support for children under stress for outings.

Relate (Wilts) - counselling for pupils in two Wiltshire Schools.

Rowdy Bunch Youth Club (Swindon) - club for children with physical disabilities for activity holidays.

Portage (Swindon) - home teaching for development-delayed children for outings.

North Wilts Holiday Club - grants for outings for disabled children.

Swindon 12 to 18 Project - low income young people grant for holiday activities.

Rural Needs Initiative - transport for low income families to toddlers groups.

St Nicholas School PTA - upgrading outdoor play area for children with severe learning difficulties.



half-time teasers

You've got 15 minutes starting from.....NOW!



quick quiz

- 1 What is the maximum length of a soccer pitch?
- 2 What is the minimum length of a soccer pitch?
- 3 What is the maximum width of a soccer pitch?
- 4 What is the minimum length of a soccer pitch?
- 5 What overall shape must soccer pitches always be?
- 6 What is the radius of the centre circle?
- 7 How wide must the goals be?
- 8 Must the goalposts be rounded?
- 9 What should be the minimum height of the corner flags?
- 10 What are the dimensions of the penalty area?



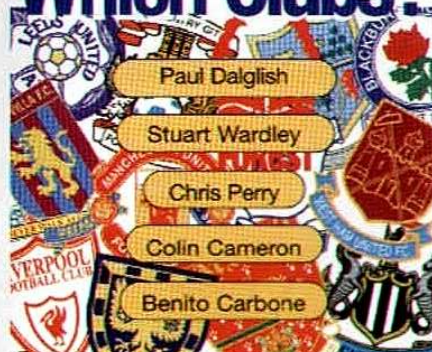
Where in the World? do they come from

- 1 - Saleritana
- 2 - Castel di Sangro
- 3 - Aalst
- 4 - Antalya
- 5 - Betis
- 6 - Brann
- 7 - Compostela
- 8 - Grasshopper
- 9 - Guingamp
- 10 - Rosenborg

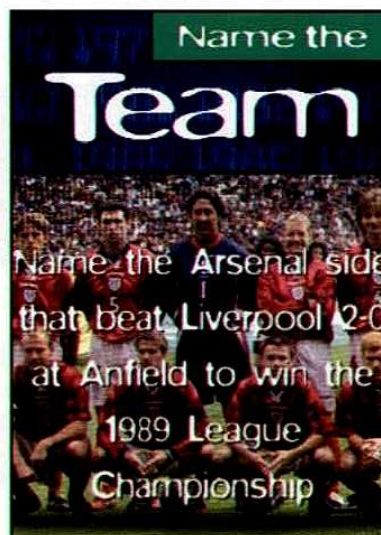
Hair Today..



Which Clubs?



Answers: Quick Quiz? 1, 130 yards, 2, 100 yards 3, 100 yards, 4, 50 yards 5, Oblong 6, 8 feet, 7, 8 feet 8, No - they can be square, elliptical or rectangular 9, At least 8 feet 10, 18 yards into the field by 44 yards along the goal line.
Name the Team? Lukic, Dixon, Winterburn, Thomas, O'Leary, Adams, Rocastle, Richardson, Smith, Bould (Groves), Merson (Hayes) Which Clubs? 1 Norwich City, 2 QPR, 3 Spurs 4 Hearts, 5 Aston Villa. Where in the World? 1 Italy 2 Italy 3 Belgium 4 Turkey 5 Spain 6 Norway 7 Spain 8 Switzerland 9 France 10 Norway Guess Who? Graham Souness.
Who's This? Fraser McHugh, Hair Today? 1, Gordon Banks, 2, Don Rogers, 3, Kevin Keegan, 4, Mark Robins.





captain's corner

with Scott Leitch



I think the boys did really well against Norwich last week and we could have won the game. They only had one shot on target so I think we deserved a better result and were unlucky right at the death when the luck didn't go our way again.

It was a good performance and we were pleased that we didn't give them any chances and the clean sheet was very important. We now have to build on that result and although it's an old cliché, 'take it one game at a time' and hopefully we'll continue to turn things around. We need to pick up as many points as possible and, although we would have preferred three points on Friday, we're pleased with the point because it's a step in the right direction.

As far as my own performance goes I was chuffed to get around 70

minutes of first-team football under my belt and, because I felt tired towards the end, it was better that I took a rest.

We're looking forward to every game and the spirit within the club is fantastic. We're all pulling together to get it right on the pitch and if we can pick up a few more wins between now and the New Year, we will be in a good position to finish mid-table. At this point I don't think we can look too far beyond that because, as long as we maintain our First Division status, we will be happy.

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TURNING BACK the clock

Tom Jenkins

Welcome to our A to Z of former Swindon Town players.
This week we take a look back at Tom Jenkins.

Tom Jenkins had an almost impossible task when he joined Swindon, for he was signed to replace the irreplaceable Tom, who was born in London in 1947, had the unenviable task of stepping into the boots of the recently transferred Don Rogers. Spells with West Ham United and Leyton Orient had produced just one League appearance before Jenkins had drifted into the obscurity of non-League football with Margate.

It was from here that Reading bought him for £1,500, a highly profitable signing as just five months later he was sold to Southampton for £60,000. Although his 84 appearances for Southampton produced just four goals, the anxiety to appease the fans following the departure of Rogers persuaded the Swindon board to recruit Jenkins for £50,000 in 1972. Dave Mackay said of his signing "I am hoping the fans will regard Rogers as belonging to the past and give Jenkins a chance to settle in." Within days, Mackay himself belonged to Swindon's past having resigned and joined Nottingham Forest as manager.

Jenkins made his debut in a home match against Huddersfield Town in which it took a re-taken penalty by Ray Treacy to earn Town a point in a 1-1 draw. Although he impressed an injury meant Jenkins ended the match sidelined. This injury kept him out of a 3-0 victory at Middlesbrough

and with new manager Les Allen unwilling to change a winning team, it was as a substitute that he made his next appearance.

It was not until the 1973/74 season that he got on the score sheet for Swindon, his first goal coming on 13th October in a 2-1 defeat at Luton. During this season he was ever-present until Christmas but he missed ten games later in the season. It was during this campaign that Tommy scored what was probably his best for Swindon in a Third Round tie at Fratton Park. Only four minutes had gone when Tommy collected the ball in midfield, broke down the left, beating two men, before firing home a right foot shot from the edge of the area. Although Swindon established a 3-1 half time lead they were pegged back to 3-3 and lost the replay 1-0.

Swindon dropped into Division Three at the end of the season, but even at the lower level Tommy managed only one goal in 29



league appearances. The 1975/76 season saw him begin the season as a regular but, with similar players in Trevor Anderson and Dave Moss, he began to find his appearances limited although Danny Williams, who had taken over as Town manager, described him as the most skilful player on the books. A 3-0 home defeat by Peterborough marked the end of the road for Tommy at the County Ground and a short while later he departed to join Seattle Sounders in America. In all he made 100 appearances including 11 as a substitute and scored four goals for the Town in his four years here.

by Dick Mattick

competition TIME

Q. Who were the opponents when Tommy Jenkins scored his first goal for Town?

If you think you know - send your answers on a postcard to: History Competition, Swindon Town F.C., County Ground, County Road, Swindon, Wiltshire SN1 2ED.

The first correct entry received will win a great STFC Mystery Prize!

In the last programme we asked "Who were Town's opponents when Jimmy Ithell scored his only goal for Town?"

Answer
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Winner
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suker takes stock



Arsenal striker Davor Suker has been given the go-ahead by the FA to carry on buying shares in rival football clubs following his £20,000 investment in Manchester United. Suker purchased the shares in the Red Devil's in October after his £1.3m move from Real Madrid to Highbury. The 31-year-old, who is a self-confessed United fan, is an avid investor in the stock market and has apparently got shares in Italian giants Lazio.

He said: "I like investing money in football and I like the football market. For me, I only invest in football. I love it and live it, I don't understand the chemicals market or other stocks but I know about football. If Arsenal were in the same market I would put money in them, but they aren't."

flying elephants

Coventry boss Gordon Strachan is lining up a move for Birmingham City midfielder Bryan Hughes. This latest move comes in preparation for the departure of summer signings Mustapha Hadji and Youssef Chippo. However, Strachan will have to wait a while for their services as the Moroccan duo are on international duty in the African Nations Cup. The Sky Blues' boss sees Hughes, who has 4 goals in 16 games this season, as the perfect man to step into the skilful Africans' shoes. However, the deal is likely to hit problems initially over the fee involved, the £1.5m bid that is expected from the Midlands club falls some way short of Trevor Francis' valuation of the former Wrexham man. Furthermore, Hughes has recently been offered a new contract and is unlikely to move to Highfield Road purely as a stop-gap for the Sky Blues.



deportivo

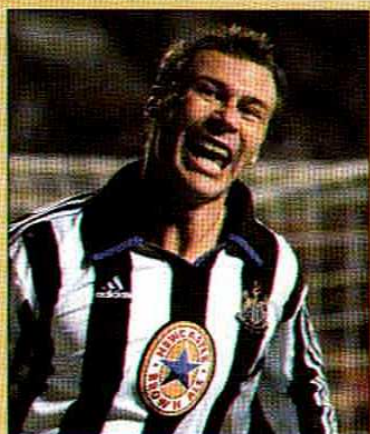


Derby's new signing Esteban Fuertes is back home in his native Argentina after being questioned by immigration officials at Heathrow Airport regarding a passport discrepancy. A club statement reads: 'Derby County Football Club can confirm that their Argentinian striker Esteban Fuertes was questioned by immigration officials at Heathrow Airport on Saturday as Derby's squad returned from a training camp in Portugal. 'As a result of a discrepancy in his passport, Fuertes has now flown home to Argentina. Derby County are currently taking legal advice and consequently will not be adding to this statement for the time being.' He's not had the best of times since his arrival at Pride

Park, and he should have seen the writing on the wall when his initial transfer from South America developed into a very on-off affair.

white hart pain

Espen Baardsen is set to leave White Hart Lane as he looks for first team football. The big Norwegian has been frozen out of the Spurs side due to the return to form of England stopper Ian Walker. The 21-year-old has not played this season and has not played for a year, since losing his first team place at the end of November. Baardsen is desperate for first team football and is looking for a loan move away from White Hart Lane in order to achieve this.



hot scot

According to Newcastle manager Bobby Robson, Duncan Ferguson and Alan Shearer are set to develop into the most dangerous striking duo in the Premiership - even though reports on Tyneside have suggested that Ferguson would be sold off at a cut-price fee to fuel Robson's re-building programme.

The striker played just nine games for the Magpies last season following his £8m move in November 1998. However, the 66-year-old believes that the pair he adopted are showing signs that they will gel into a wonderful striking combination. Speaking to the Official Newcastle Site, Robson stated that the big Scot was getting back to full fitness and that the pair could soon become unstoppable. He said: "He's a big lad and will take a lot of getting fully fit, but he's getting stronger all the time. The more he plays the better he will get and I think he will prove awesome for us."

"It is natural that it will take a little time for him to settle back into the swing of the game, but it will come back to him and when it does he will be awesome in the air."



Premier League
Table 15/11/99

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
MAN UTD	14	9	3	2	39	19	30
LEEDS	14	9	2	3	26	18	29
SUNDERLAND	14	8	4	2	24	12	28
ARSENAL	14	8	2	4	28	14	26
LIVERPOOL	14	7	3	4	18	12	24
TOTTENHAM	13	7	2	4	23	18	23
LEICESTER	14	7	2	5	23	19	23
MIDDLESBROUGH	14	7	1	6	19	18	22
CHELSEA	12	6	2	4	18	10	20
EVERTON	14	5	4	5	23	21	19
WEST HAM	13	5	3	5	12	11	18
ASTON VILLA	14	5	3	6	18	16	18
COVENTRY	14	4	5	5	21	16	17
SOUTHAMPTON	13	4	4	5	20	23	16
WIMBLEDON	14	3	7	4	25	27	16
NEWCASTLE	14	3	3	8	24	28	12
BRADFORD	13	3	3	7	11	21	12
DERBY	14	3	3	8	18	24	12
WATFORD	14	3	1	10	10	24	10
SHEFF WED	14	1	3	10	10	32	6

something for the weekend?

It's Friday the 12th and things are winding up towards a great weekend of sport.

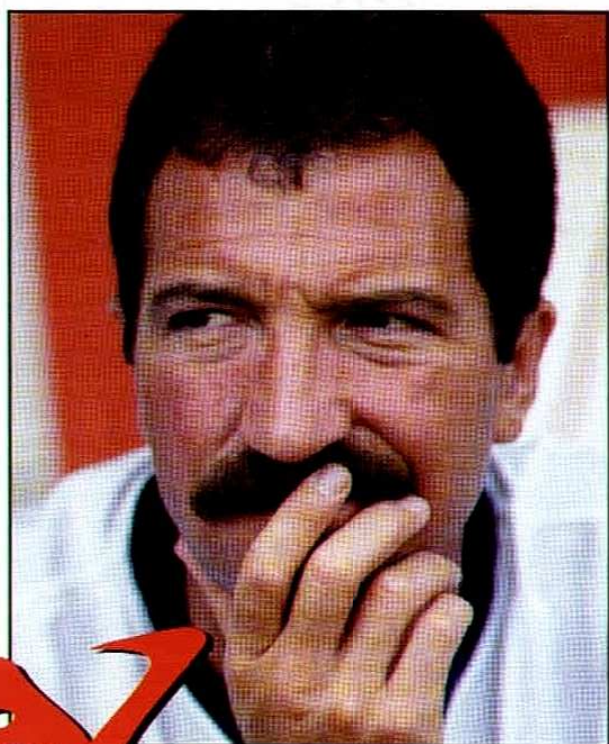
My nephew had said to me on Wednesday night: "Friday night football at the County Ground, Town supporters on 'Soccer AM' on Sky TV Saturday morning and Scotland v England Saturday afternoon" and he further implied that he would be spending Saturday night in London celebrating three certain victories. I was going to spend that night at a dinner party with friends, all Swindon and England fans, as I intended doing a bit of celebrating myself. Inwardly, of course, I also felt that we could be 'cruising for a bruising' and, from experience, knew that a great weekend of sport *could* mean one of three things: red faced humiliation, the bitter bile of disappointment to be rubbed in over the next 20 years or a hangover so vast it would register on the Richter scale - possibly even all three! However, it was strange how things turned out.

This will sound pathetic (if it doesn't then you are a kindred spirit - welcome to my world) but I just couldn't eat on Friday. I was so excited, just the thought of the floodlights blazing down sent chills down my spine. Once again I am twenty and approaching an arena with the whole population of Swindon, where we would worship Don Rogers - the King of the Universe,



whose every shimmy and turn left us breathless with joy. By the time I was seated at the game I was light-hearted with anticipation and lack of food. The crowd was a little larger than of late and quite a lot noisier. We contained Norwich and looked most likely to score. Then the gaffer came on, in a fairy tale of course he would have scored in the dying seconds and been carried off the hero of the hour. Unfortunately you only get the fairy tale in your dreams and we finished with one point instead of three. A sensible person would say that, with all there was yet to come - and an empty stomach - drinking would be out of the question. If I were sensible I wouldn't have been too wound up to eat in the first place! As a result, I awoke from a troubled sleep in which I dreamt that Don Rogers had scored at Wembley - for Scotland - and it was him knocking into me during his victory celebrations that forced me to the surface, just in time to set the video to ensure we didn't miss a second of the lads on 'Soccer AM', but I was dry-mouthed and cotton wool-headed, and it was only 8.30 Saturday morning.

The boys were great as it happened, very loud and large and they made the Scots supporters from Motherwell seem shy and retiring. I knew our guys were skilled in the football arts and I looked forward to the 'Lobstar' competition with glee. The weekend starts here, I said to the cat, because my teenage daughter was still in bed and, judging from the angry grunt



MAZ about football

when I bounced in to announce the forthcoming attractions, she was in no mood to be disturbed until about 3.00pm. Not until then would she be ready to take light refreshments and

start getting ready for her Saturday night out. As it turned out, the lads didn't win the Lobstar competition, they allowed the Scots their moment of glory and I prayed it wasn't an omen. My hands trembled as I went to get Glen Hoddle's flag out of the loft. But - horror, despair - I couldn't find it! Well, that's it then, humiliation looms at Hampden, scorched by the Scots, Jubilant Joyful Jocks - I always resort to alliteration in times of stress!

However, the afternoon strangely never really got off the ground. Still thrilled by watching England victorious on foreign soil, a combination of Scottish pundits and a gloomy Jack Charlton then proceeded to make us feel as if Scotland had actually won (a kind of mass hypnosis must have been visited on us all) and had also occupied the moral high ground. Kevin Keegan allowed himself a little smile, but that was countered by Graham Souness who pointed out that English fans at Wembley aren't like Scottish fans at Hampden and that they would turn against England on Tuesday night - thanks for that Graham!

The dinner party was wonderful; wonderful food eaten in candlelight and great conversation - but there was no talk of football. We English don't gloat because we're good losers as well as magnanimous winners. But maybe we were holding our breaths until we were home and dry. By the time you read this we will all know the result and, either way, I won't be turning against anyone - except maybe Graham Souness!

MAZ

charlie griffin

charlie's angles!

Charlie's professional career is still waiting to get out of first gear while he finds his feet at this level. He will have no better teacher of course than manager Jim Quinn.

Charlie has scored goals for the reserves and for Yeovil on loan and is waiting to break into the first team where he can realise his potential.






birthplace	swindon
date of birth	25.06.79
height	6ft 1ins
weight	13st 10lbs
position	forward

1999/2000
season

the key...

FAC / WC
F.A. CUP - WORTHINGTON CUP



								
TALLA	HULBERT (2)	HALL	WILLIAMS	ROBINSON	GOODEN	LEITCH	NDAH	WALTERS
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TALLA	A. WILLIAMS	HALL(3)	REEVES	CARRICK	LITCH(2)	DAVIS	ROBINSON	HAY



last four games

Sat Sept 11th vs Nott'm Forest	8,203
Fri Nov 12th vs Norwich City	7,405
Tue Sept 28th vs Blackburn	7,354
Sat Oct 2nd vs Bolton	6,711

Norwich City (H)	DREW	0-0
Huddersfield (A)	LOST	4-0
Bolton (A)	LOST	2-0
Port Vale (H)	WON	2-1



front cover photograph...
Gareth Davies

tuesday Nov 23rd 1999



Nationwide
FOOTBALL LEAGUE

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vs charlton athletic

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denotes scorer

number in brackets
denotes player replaced ()

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HOWE	ONUORA (1)	QUINN	J WILLIAMS	WILLIS	MCHUGH	MILDENHALL



division one

TEAM	PLD	W	D	L	F	A	PTS
Man City	17	11	3	3	26	11	36
Charlton	16	11	2	3	32	17	35
Huddersfield	18	10	4	4	36	20	34
Barnsley	17	10	1	6	33	26	31
Ipswich	17	8	4	5	31	22	28
Fulham	17	7	7	3	20	14	28
Birmingham	17	7	6	4	27	19	27
Stockport	17	7	6	4	22	23	27
Bolton	17	7	5	5	26	19	26
QPR	17	6	7	4	24	21	25
Wolverhampton	16	6	7	3	18	15	25
Norwich	17	6	6	5	16	15	24
West Brom	16	4	9	3	16	16	21
Tranmere	18	5	5	8	23	27	20
Portsmouth	18	5	5	8	25	31	20
Grimsby	17	5	4	8	17	28	19
Nottm Forest	17	4	6	7	21	21	18
Crystal Palace	17	4	5	8	23	30	17
Blackburn	15	3	7	5	17	18	16
Port Vale	18	4	4	10	19	26	16
Sheff Utd	17	4	4	9	19	29	16
Walsall	18	3	6	9	14	28	15
Swindon	18	3	5	10	12	29	14
Crewe	16	3	4	9	15	27	13

stfc first team appearances 1999/2000

player name:	squad number	league apps.	cup apps.	goals all comps.	total apps.
Frank Talia	1	10	2	-	12
Mark Robinson	2	15(2)	2	-	17(2)
Gareth Hall	3	16	2	-	18
Scott Leitch	4	2(1)	1	-	3(1)
Gareth Davies	5	8	1	-	9
Bobby Howe	7	15(2)	1(1)	1	16(3)
Jim Quinn	40	(1)			(1)
Iffy Onuora	9	12(5)	2	2	14(5)
Giuliano Grazioli	10	4(4)	2	3	6(4)
Ty Gooden	11	6(1)	-	-	6(1)
Alan Reeves	12	15	1	-	16
Jimmy Glass	13	8	-	-	8
Mark Walters	14	11(2)	2	2	13(2)
Chris Hay	15	8(4)	(1)	3	8(5)
Lee Collins	16	2	-	-	2
Steve Cowe	17	0(1)	-	-	0(1)
Steve Mildenhall	18	-	-	-	-
Adam Willis	19	4(5)	(1)	-	4(6)
Charlie Griffin	20	(6)	(1)	-	(6)
Sol Davis	21	8	2	-	11
Robin Hulbert	22	1(2)	2	-	3(2)
Philippe Cuervo	23	-	-	-	-
Sam Campagna	24	-	-	-	-
Frazer McHugh	25	6(2)	(1)	-	6(3)
Nicky Burke	26	-	-	-	-
Jamie Mills	27	-	-	-	-
Ricky Culbertson	28	-	-	-	-
Alan Flanagan	29	-	-	-	-
Paul McAreavey	30	-	-	-	-
Alun Hughes	31	-	-	-	-
James Williams	32	5(6)	1	-	6(6)
Andy Williams	33	11	-	-	11
Michael Carrick	6	1	-	-	1

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the squads



1	Frank Talia	Dean Kiely	1
2	Mark Robinson	Anthony Barness	2
3	Gareth Hall	Chris Powell	3
4	(c) Scott Leitch	Graham Stuart	4
5	Gareth Davies	Richard Rufus	5
6	Michael Carrick	Carl Tiler	6
7	Bobby Howe	Shaun Newton	7
9	Iffy Onuora	Mark Kinsella (c)	8
10	Giuliano Grazioli	Andy Hunt	9
11	Ty Gooden	Clive Mendonca	10
12	Alan Reeves	John Robinson	11
13	Jimmy Glass	Steve Brown	12
15	Chris Hay	Sasa Ilic	13
16	Lee Collins	Martin Pringle	14
17	Steve Cowe	Eddie Youds	15
18	Steve Mildenhall	Greg Shields	16
19	Adam Willis	Scott Parker	17
20	Charlie Griffin	Paul Konchesky	18
21	Sol Davis	Keith Jones	20
22	Robin Hulbert	Matty Holmes	21
23	Philippe Cuervo	Simon Royce	22
25	Frazer McHugh	Anthony Allman	23
32	James Williams	Jonathan Fortune	24
33	Andy Williams	Leigh Hales	25
40	Jim Quinn	David Hovkley	26
		Kemal Izzet	27
		Kevin James	28
		Kevin Lisbie	29
		Charlie McDonald	30



Jim Quinn

Alan Curbishley

coming soon

Saturday 4th Dec 1999, our next home league game vs

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the officials

Referee: S.W. Materson

Assistant Referees:

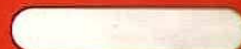
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