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Good afternoon and welcome to today's League Division One fixture against Barnsley.

Now that the realisation of relegation to the Second Division is sinking in it leaves a very sour taste in my mouth. I find myself reflecting on matches where 'if only that had happened' or 'what if they hadn't done that' etc. It's a very fine line between success and failure and, although this season has been one to forget, we can be positive about the future and hope that the club's fortunes will improve this summer and then, into next season.

At the time of writing there is still no official announcement about the proposed take over by Mr Brady and his consortium. You'll have to pay close attention to the local press for any further developments. No-one at the club is certain of their future and I hope that everything can be resolved as quickly as possible for us all to plan for next season with the aim of getting Swindon Town Football Club back into the First Division.

Today we can relax and just enjoy the match. I'm sure everyone will be trying their hardest to win today's match because we still want to finish above Port Vale - no team wants to finish bottom. There will be a few presentations prior to today's match, so get to your seats early and give the lads a good cheer.

Swindon Town Football Club would like to welcome Dave Bassett and all the players, staff and supporters who have



travelled to join us today in our last home match of the season. Barnsley will be keen to strengthen their place in the First Division as they, at the very least, prepare for this season's play-offs.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank all the staff and players at the club, plus all the contributors and people who have helped me put together all 25 matchday magazines this term.

Also, if anybody has any ideas or things they would like to see in next season's programme, please drop me a line, care-of the Club.

Enjoy the match.

the dive king memorial trophy

The Swindon Town Football Club Young Player of the Year Award.

This award goes to the player selected by local print journalists, several of whom worked with Clive before his untimely death.

Clive reported for the Evening Advertiser for many years and, prior to his death, was a prominent freelance reporter contributing to the Western Daily Press and national newspapers. Clive was the leading authority on Swindon Town and was greatly respected in the press boxes throughout the country for his professionalism and wit.

The player may be chosen because of his performance during the season, not always in the first team, or for a particularly outstanding performance or potential shown.

Previous winners are Steve Finney, Steve Cowe, Steve Mildenhall and last season the trophy was presented to the Swindon Town Youth Team for their achievements in the FA Youth Cup.

The trophy was donated in memory of Clive by one of Swindon's footballing legends, Don Rogers, who runs his own very successful sports shop on Faringdon Road. Don also donates a replica trophy for the winner.

The trophy will be presented today by Evening Advertiser Sports reporter, John Carter.

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After such a fantastic result against
Fulham on Saturday we didn't really get
going up at Stockport and we are now
resigned to the fact that we will be
playing Second Division football
next season.

Last time out at the County Ground the lads gave everything and fully deserved their win. It took a lot out of them and we failed to match that performance at Edgeley Park on Monday.

Relegation has been staring us in the face for some time now and, although we've put together some good results from time to time, it hasn't been consistent enough to keep us in this division. We have lost quite a few players over the season and missed vital players through injury, which hasn't helped. All you can do as a manager in this situation is pick eleven players on the day that you think will give everything to try and win matches. We were not going to win every game in the First Division but when we've given a good account of ourselves then I've been happy.

The tools to do the job have not been there and if I'd had the kind of money to spend that some managers had then people have every right to make me accountable, but that just hasn't happened. On the limited resources available it's not sufficient to stay in the First Division as many clubs in the division are getting stronger and stronger.

At the minute I'm not certain of my future here at the club, as are many of the staff here. It needs to be resolved very soon in order for the club as a whole to prepare for next season. Now our fate has been sealed it may be sooner rather than later, I know the chairman is working hard to resolve matters.

Whatever happens we know that Swindon Town
Football Club will be playing Second Division
Infootball next season whether I'm here, Cliff's here
and so on. The fans that have been turning up
week-in week-out deserve a football club to
support. Bearing in mind all the problems that
this club has gone through this season they
could be forgiven for giving up on us, but that
hasn't been the case. Football fans never fail to
amaze me and if anyone deserves credit for
helping save this club then it is them. They have
certainly given us the impetus we needed to pick
up the odd decent result and we'd all like to
thank them for that.

I would like to wish Town supporters Trevor Quinn and Sue Davies good luck for their wedding on 5th May.

Enjoy today's game - and the long summer.

I hope to see you all back here next season.

jim quinn's comment

visitors

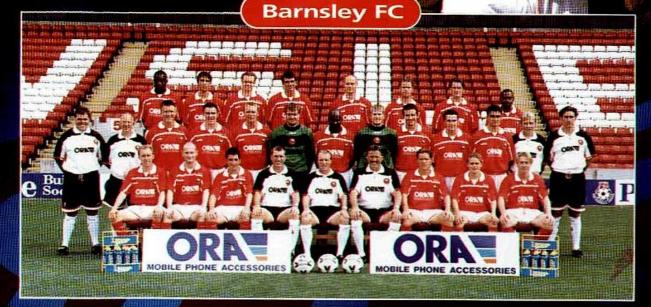
Dave Bassett has been charged with the job of bringing the good times back to Barnsley - and he's making a pretty good job of it already.

After a season in the wilderness when so much more was expected, Barnsley are once again challenging for a Premiership spot — a division they last inhabited two seasons ago.

Then, their glorious failure won more friends than points and with the departure of manager Danny Wilson to Sheffield Wednesday, it was left to fans' favourite John Hendrie to attempt an immediate bounce back to the top flight. They never once looked like achieving that aim and having finished 13th, Hendrie was replaced by the uncompromising Dave Bassett. With Harry now firmly settled in, the differences are already obvious. A tougher Barnsley are settled in the top four and have no reason to presume that they can't give current front-runners Manchester City and Ipswich a good run for their money for the remaining automatic promotion place.

Last Monday's 2-1 win over Norwich moved Bassett's side into third place with two games remaining, although the Tykes are four points adrift of Manchester City in second and Ipswich are one point above them in third. It looks as if the play-offs will be Barnsley's best chance of a return to the Premiership. With Bassett's side getting stronger every week, they may have what it takes to fend off the likes of Birmingham, Ipswich, and Huddersfield who are currently occupying the play-off places.





BACK ROW: Kevin Austin, Ales Krizan, Adrian Moses, Neil Shipperley, Robin Van Der Laan, Scott Jones, Matty Appleby, Clint Marcelle.

MIDDLE ROW: John Greaves (Kit Manager), Derek French (Physiotherapist) Eric Tinkler, Christopher Morgan, Geoff Thomas, Tony Bullock,
Bruce Dyer, David Watson, Micheal Turner, Sean McClare, Georgi Hristov, Mick Tarmey (Physiotherapist), Mark Smith, (Reserve Team Manager).

FRONT ROW: Kevin Richardson, Mike Sheron, Nicky Eaden, Peter Shirtliff (Assistant Manager), David Bassett (Manager),

Eric Winstanley (Chief Coach), Darren Barnard, Martin Bullock, Craig Hignett.

darren barnard-



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Darren Barnard was one of the biggest success stories of Barnsley's brief stay in the Premier League.

He joined Barnsley from Bristol City in a £750,000 deal just days before they launched their top-flight campaign in 1997 and wasted little time in making an impact. A swashbuckling left wing-back, he's a competent defender but also enjoys bursting into opposition territory to produce telling crosses or fierce shots on goal. He missed much of the second half of last season with an ankle ligament injury but has bounced back to re-establish himself as a key member of Dave Bassett's line-up.

craig **hignett** birthplace Whiston date of birth 12.01.70

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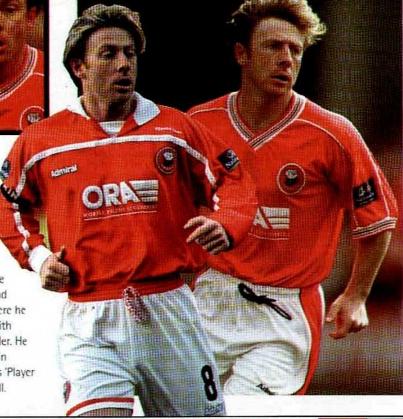
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Craig Hignett is widely regarded as one of the most inventive midfielders in the First Division with a penchant for creating openings and opportunities.

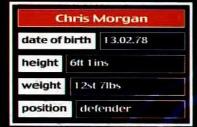
He also has a keen eye for goal himself - as he showed by grabbing a goal against Bolton having been deployed as a striker. A product of the Dario Gradi School of Excellence at Crewe, he shot to prominence at Gresty Road before clinching a move to Middlesbrough where he enjoyed further success. He then had a spell with Aberdeen but failed to settle North of the border. He jumped at the chance of a switch to Barnsley in November '98 for £800,000 and won the club's 'Player of the Year' award in his first season at Oakwell.



players



It was a case of second time lucky for Dave Bassett when he finally secured the services of the talented goalkeeper for Barnsley. 'Harry' had tried to sign the former Exeter and Birmingham man during his time in charge at Nottingham Forest but the 30 year-old opted instead to leave Watford for Crystal Palace.



Brought into the first team last season, Chris settled quickly and produced a series of mature performances which belied his tender years. Fiercely committed, powerful in the air and with a biting tackle, he is carmarked as an Oakwell star of the future.



After making over 400 apps for Forest, his home-town club, he was told by Forest boss David Platt that he had no future at the City Ground. Dave Bassett was quick to sign up the defender he had previously managed at Forest. Steve made an immediate impact at Oakwell - scoring on his home debut.



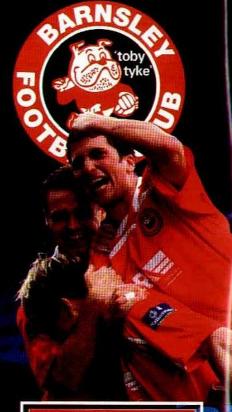
The Barnsley-born defender fulfilled a life-long ambition when he signed for his home-town club after completing his 'A' levels. Made his debut during the 1992–93 season and has since clocked up more than 250 League appearances both as an orthodox full back and in a wing-back position.



Currently on loan from Man Utd this England U-21 will have a big decision to make this summer. John has had very few opportunities to show Utd fans what he can do and with the ever-increasing squad list at Old Trafford he'll have to decide where his long-term future lies.



The former England international has made more than 500 appearances in his seven-club career. He has served Everton, Watford, Arsenal, Spanish side Real Sociedad, Aston Villa, Coventry and Southampton and has won a host of honours, including the League Championship and F.A. Cup.



Mé	att A	ppleby
date of b	irth	16.04.72
height	5ft 1 ()ins
weight	11st	8lbs
position	def	ender

Launched his career with Newcastle. Barnsley pipped Sheff Utd for his services and he established himself as a key figure as the Yorkshire club won promotion. Found his chances limited in the top flight but made his mark again last term.



Ended a two-year association with Nottingham Forest during the summer when he joined Barnsley on a free transfer. Vastly experienced former England star, he has had to endure more than his fair share of injury setbacks but still hopes to play a big part in Barnsley's fortunes.





A South African international, he joined Barnsley from Italian side Cagliari for a then record fee of £650,000 and has also played in Portugal for Vitoria Setubal. Struggled initially to make an impact at Oakwell because of fitness problems but was more involved last season.



Another man who is no stranger to The City Ground having left Forest to join Barnsley a couple of months ago in a £750,000 deal. The former Chelsea, Southampton and Palace front-man struggled to make an impact during his time at the City Ground.

Mil	ke S	Sheron
date of bir	th	11.01.72
height 5	ft 10	ins
weight	2st	7lbs
position	for	ward

Queens Park Rangers paid a club record £2.35million to take the former England Under 21 international to Loftus Road. He has scored regularly thi season having found the goals hard to come by last term following his move to Barnsley.



There are few managers in the history of domestic football who can match Dave Bassett's record of promotion successes.

'Harry' has clinched promotion on no fewer than seven occasions - most recently with Nottingham Forest in 1998 - and is now looking to lead Barnsley back to the Premier League after succeeding John Hendrie at Oakwell during the summer. The 55 year-old first rose to prominence as a manager in the early 1980's as he led Wimbledon from the old Fourth Division to the First in the space of just five seasons. After a brief spell with Watford, he took up residence at Sheffield United and led them to successive promotions - as well as an F.A. Cup semi-final appearance.

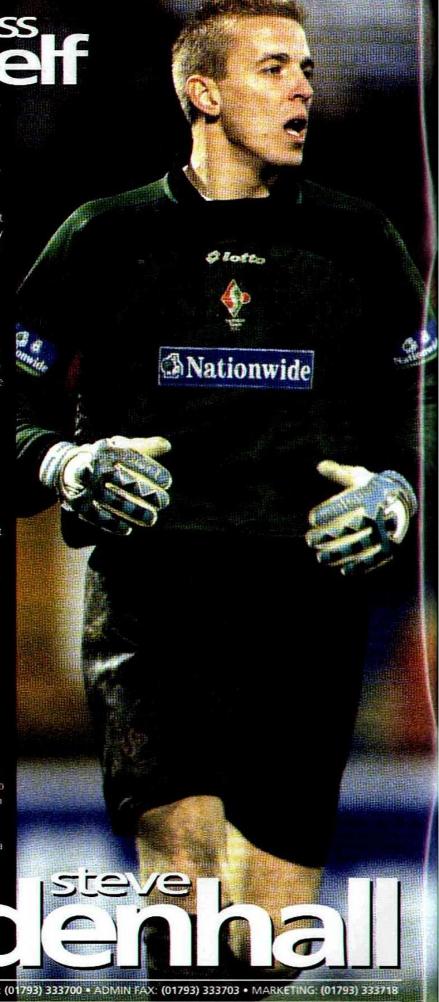
He parted company with United in 1995 and, after another brief stop-off at Crystal Palace, linked up with Forest in 1997 to work as General Manager alongside Stuart Pearce, who was then Team Manager. When Pearce left for Newcastle that summer following Forest's relegation, Bassett took overall control and, in his first season in charge, led them to the First Division title. His spell in The City Ground hot seat came to an end earlier this year as Forest struggled to make an impact in the top flight. Now he's back in management and after an impressive start, looks to have moulded a side capable of challenging once more.

I was quite surprised to get a run out on Monday when Frank got sent off.

I thought he was unlucky to get that decision against him because it looked as though it caught his shoulder and he couldn't have known a lot about it anyway, it certainly wasn't intentional. The fact that we were 3-0 down and on the verge of relegation to the Second Division didn't make it an enviable position to find myself in. I came on determined to do my best and, along with the rest of the lads and the woodwork, kept them at bay for the rest of the match, although we certainly had to ride our luck at times. It did give me the opportunity to show the Gaffer what I can do and get a little more valuable first team experience. Nobody likes to see fellow team-mates sent off or injured but these things happen and when opportunities come you have to make the best of them.

It was a very disappointing day on the whole. A heavy defeat did not soften the blow of relegation and it came after a very good result two days previously against Fulham. The lads did fantastically well to beat Fulham, making it two home wins on the bounce but because we gave everything in that match we had not properly recovered to face Stockport and, unfortunately, the fairytale ending wasn't to be. All the lads were dejected after the match because we thought that even if other results didn't go our way, we would be positive and play our part by winning our remaining games. Now we have to face up to the fact that we'll be in the Second Division next season and all our efforts should be concentrated on finishing these final games well and preparing for our next campaign.

I'm not sure of the extent to Frank's injury, or whether he will be fit to play on Saturday against Barnsley. If he's not I'll be delighted to get a start in the team and, hopefully, we can get a good result. Plus ,if Frank is suspended for the Sheffield United game after his ending off then, for me personally, it will be a positive way for me to end this season.



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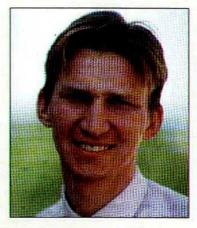
- at the heart of Swindon

By Matt Reeder, Sports Editor.

WHEN it finally arrived, relegation was very much the bitterest of pills any Swindon Town fan has ever had to swallow.

In many ways this year has been worse than the drop under Steve McMahon. At least there was hope of the team bouncing straight back in those days. The club was, or so we all thought, on a sound financial footing and the players had vowed to stick around and lead the team back to Division One. Unfortunately, as we all know now, there was a growing cancer under the surface of that Swindon Town side which marched so emphatically to the Division Two Championship, That Steve McMahon side was so far ahead of anyone else in terms of footballing skill and effectiveness that they could almost walk on water if the league insisted it was a criteria for promotion. But while things looked rosy

on the surface, today's financial problems were just starting to grow and fester under the skin. The best players in the division meant the biggest wages in the division. The wages being paid were that of the Premiership club Swindon used to be just two years earlier and it was simply, slowly but surely, killing the club. Isn't it ironic that the joy of promotion to the Premiership and the joy of promotion back to Division One after two consecutive relegations have had a huge part to play in this latest heartbreaking drop. It has been a disappointing season to say the least. However, there has been the odd moment of enjoyment. Wins over Blackburn, Fulham, Charlton and Tranmere have been welcome breaks in the dark clouds hanging over the County Ground. But those sunny moments have been far too few. I really did believe that Town were good enough to stay up and I made the prediction that they would survive at the start of the season because I truly believed they were not one of the



three worst teams in the league. They were not with players like George Ndah, Chris Hay and Mark Walters in the squad. Lose them and you suddenly make life hard for yourself to survive. Had they survived then my prediction of Port Vale, Walsall and Crewe going down would have looked quite good. Instead things changed for the worst. Jim Quinn sold many of his best players and the rest is history. Let's just hope that Town can repeat their form of Division Two the last time around and that this time their search for a quick return does not come back to haunt them.

Come on you reds.

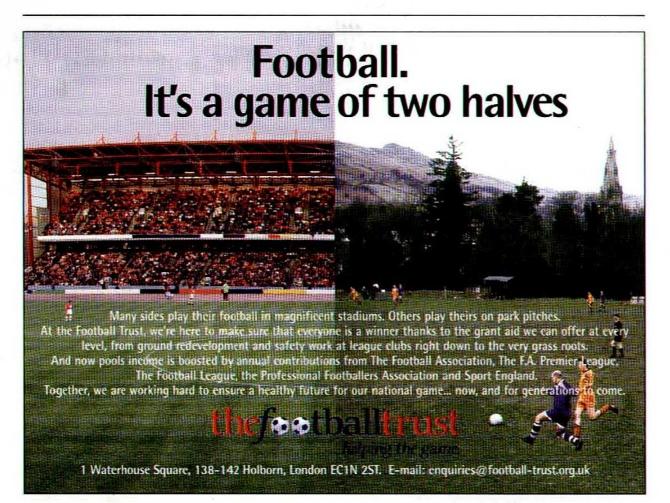
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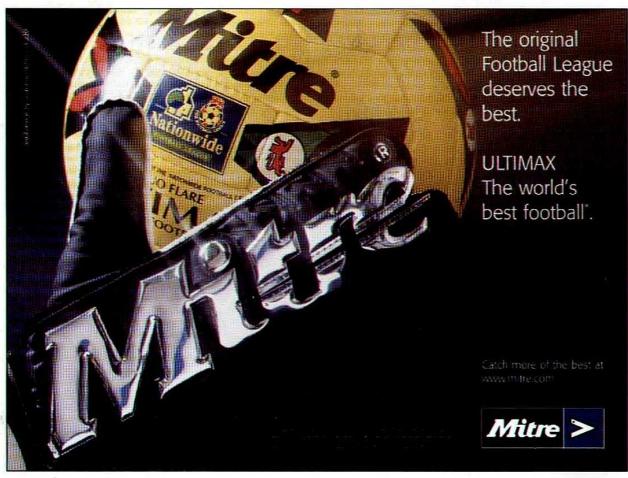
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euro **2000**

Euro 2000 is now just a few weeks away, so I'm grateful for being allowed to take up valuable space in your programme.

Like you, I'm a football fan looking forward to a festival of football. There's no clear favourite and it should be a great tournament. We'll all be cheering on England and' hoping that Kevin Keegan and his team will create a bit of excitement and national pride - and hopefully lift the trophy. We hope that the whole event is safe, fun and enjoyable for all involved. Euro 2000 involves a lot of planning - not just for Kevin and his players. A whole range of Government Departments, policing agencies, the football Association and supporters' groups have all been working hard for many months to make sure we all enjoy the tournament. Co-operation between the various police and intelligence agencies here and throughout Europe has never been better. We have all been working hard to make it so.

Some of the media will no doubt focus on the fans' behaviour - particularly English ones. This is not surprising given the terrible scenes we've seen over the years, most recently the tragic deaths and injuries in Turkey. The irony is that football hooliganism is no longer a major factor in our domestic game. It still exists, of course, but it's not the menace it once was. The time has come to demonstrate that excellent improvement in behaviour on the international stage. Holland and Belgium are great places to visit. Both countries want the tournament to be a wonderful sporting occasion for all supporters. But they will not tolerate any disorderly, drunken, violent or threatening behaviour. I've personally visited both countries and spoken with leading politicians and police commanders. I was delighted to be assured that police throughout the tournament will have a 'LOW TOLERANCE' policy of being fair, but tough, at the slightest sign of trouble. This has the full support of the UK Government.

If you're lucky enough to have a ticket for any of the matches you'll be sure of a warm welcome from the host nations. Enjoy the local culture, but respect local customs. Don't be encouraged by anyone who tries to stir up trouble which brings disgrace on our national team. Don't be provoked by local youths or rival supporters. Be aware there's nothing brave or patriotic about frightening local

people, be they Dutch or Belgians. Tough controls will be in place. You'll not get into the grounds unless you have a ticket. Even a legitimate ticket, if obtained on the black market, could be of no use.

DO YOU KNOW?

- Police in Holland and Belgium have extensive Public Order powers at their disposal - and will not be slow to use them.
- 2 Riots. You do not have to be actually involved in a riot to warrant arrest: If local police, or other civic authority, think you are posing a threat then you can be arrested and held for up to 12 hours. Deportation is then almost certain.
- 3 Drinking. In some towns drinking on the streets is not allowed only in bars etc. Police will arrest offenders who may face swift deportation.
- 4 Identification: You can be arrested and probably be deported if you do not have a passport with you at all times.
- 5 Checks. There will be many checks on the routes to the match. If you don't have a ticket which corresponds to your identity (FA endorsed, or individually named) you will be turned back and may be arrested.
- 6 UK Police officers will be in Belgium and Holland working closely with local police. They will have, and share, the latest intelligence on the movement of ordinary fans and of known trouble-makers.
- 7 Punishment. If you get into trouble during the tournament you could be officially banned from attending football matches for 10 years.
- 8 Banished. If you are already the subject of a Banning Order and try to travel to a match, you could be arrested and sent to prison or face a heavy fine.
- 9 Arrival. If the Belgium or Dutch police or immigration authorities think you are drunk, aggressive, have an offensive weapon or are in any way posing a threat, they will arrest and deport you.
- 10 Trains. British Transport Police will be accompanying all Eurostar trains in and out of Brussels.
- 11 Ports. UK Police will be monitoring supporters at all ports and airports, working in close co-operation with their Dutch and Belgium counterparts.
- 12 Ferries. The captain of any ship or aircraft can and will detain you if you cause trouble.
- 13 Extradition. The UK Government will look favourably on any application from the Dutch or Belgium authorities for the later extradition of any UK national wanted in connected with alleged football related offences.
- 14 Support. The UK Government wholeheartedly supports the tough "Low Tolerance" policing policies of the Host Nations.
- 15 Hooligan Hotline. Help us stamp out football hooliganism. If you have any information, no matter how insignificant it may seem, please ring: 0800 515 495 All calls are free and are completely confidential.
- 16 Finally. If you don't have a ticket for any of the matches you are strongly advised to stay at home and watch the tournament on television.





Swindon Town Reserves 3 Colchester United Reserves 1

I was pleased with our second half performance and the overall result but it took us a little time to get going.

In the first half we weren't the better side, particularly in midfield and did well not to concede any goals. I'm not sure why but we were way off the pace of the game and it needed a change of tactics to give us better shape. It seemed to work and I was very pleased to go in at half time at 0-0, especially as we had conceded a penalty. Luckily Mildy made a tremendous save to keep the scores level.

We came out in the second half and started to get going, started to pass the ball much better because that aspect was letting us down in the first period. We have players in our side that are capable of passing the ball but we didn't start doing that until he second half.

We were sharper going forward, with more balance in midfield, looked a lot stronger and started getting the ball to our forwards. We scored three very good goals in the second half, which was fantastic. Charlie Griffin received a great ball in from young Nathan Edwards and Charlie headed well to score. Alan Young came on as a substitute and scored a very good goal which he finished very coolly indeed. After that we let ourselves down a bit and conceded one at our end. Mildy made a good save but we were a little slow to react and Colchester got back in the game. We responded well, went right back down the other end and

Steve Cowe scored a marvellous dipping half-volley to complete the scoring,

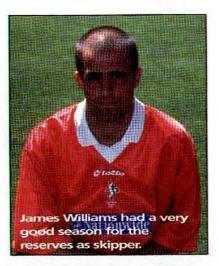
Overall it has been a good season for the reserve team. The aspect that has been most pleasing is that we have been able to bring younger players into the side and they have all done very well. Players like James Williams and Kevin Halliday have both had a very good season in the reserves, and in James' case the first team also, especially as they have played in the majority of matches in the reserves. Towards the end of this season we have seen a few more players emerging into the reserve team; Bryan Smith has come on tremendously well in recent weeks, as has Alan Young. Then just recently Nathan Edwards has started to show us what he can do. I think when the youth players see others doing so well it gives them the incentive to try even harder and that's perhaps why so many have performed so well.

It's now up to them to take that a step further and show the gaffer that they are good enough to push for a first team place next season.

We now have one reserve game left against Ipswich Town but at present we do not have a date for that as it is being re-arranged. If we hadn't had that bad run after Christmas we may have even won the reserve league but we're not disappointed by any means and overall I've been very happy with the way the reserve team have performed this season.







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
Tuc 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
Wed Dec 08	Oxford United	2-0
Tue Dec 13	Q.P.R.	2-2
Wed Jan 12	Brighton & H.A.	0-1
WED Jan 19	BOURNEMOUTH	1-2
Wed Feb 02	Bristol Rovers	Lost
WED FEB 09	NORWICH CITY	0-4
WED MAR 08	WYCOMBE W.	4-2
WED MAR 15	PETERB'RO UTD	1-1
Wed Mar 29	Southend United	2-0
Wed Apr 12	Gillingham	1-1
Wed Apr 19	Highworth (N.W Pr	em Shield)
WED APR 26	COLCHESTER UTD	3-1
TBA away	Ipswich Town	TBA
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holders. Kick-Off for home fixtures will be at 2.00pm

focus on the with Tom Jones YOUTIS

Our last match against Oxford was cancelled due to the fact that most of the Supermarine pitches were under water.

We're trying to re-arrange that game for Friday 28th but it looks as though we'll have to play it away because it doesn't look as if our pitch is getting any better. We just want to get the game played because it's such a short journey we don't mind playing the fixture away.

At the moment the future of the youth team still hangs in the balance and everybody at the Club is awaiting news on this takeover, so it's just a case of 'watch this space'.

The youth team, this season, have played it in two halves. In the first period before Christmas we found it very difficult, but we expected that

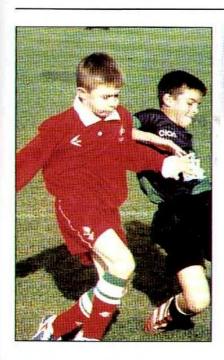
because of the younger age of most of our lads. As a club we have been very pleased with the way the lads have performed since the Christmas holidays. We have seen a marked improvement on the way they have approached games and that is what we are always looking for. As I said in the first half of the season we drew and lost too many matches but in the second part the boys have got their just rewards. We have won more matches but sometimes it's not all about winning, it's seeing how much they are learning and the attitude with which they approach games. The extent they have come on has been shown in their involvement in both the reserve team and in some cases on the verge of the first team. That is the sort of improvement we expect and all credit to the lads - they have done that.

A few have them have made the step up into the reserves and on the whole



it's been a very good experience for them. There never is a right or wrong time to give younger players experience at a higher level. In many cases, if they are good enough, then they are old enough. If they earn the right to be in the side then they should be rewarded with that.

I believe we will have seven or eight youth players in the reserve squad that play against Colchester Untied Reserves later today (Wed) and hopefully they will all enjoy the experience and it's their chance to impress the manager for next season.



Both Tranmere and Cardiff City's Centres of Excellence joined us on the day. The under 10's and 12's were involved in small-sided games to start with and later on we developed the tournament into full eleven y eleven matches.



Last week during the school half-term we hosted a mini tournament up at Supermarine.

Because of the awful weather we've suffered lately, the pitches were in a dire state but the kids really look forward to these tournaments during the holiday so we had to get it on.

It was a very successful day despite the weather and everybody enjoyed it. We're going to Cardiff later this week for another tournament which also involves Plymouth Argyle. It will be a good opportunity to check out the standard of kids' football at other clubs and judge how we are getting on here at Swindon Town.

On Sunday 30th April we are all taking

part in a 10 mile sponsored walk along the Ridgeway to raise funds for our summer tours. So far the sponsors have been very generous, along with the money we received from Charlton Athletic and we hope to raise even more to give as many kids as possible a fantastic football tour this summer. If anyone would like to sponsor us, a player or just donate money towards the summer tours, please contact us here at the club.

After the tours we'll be just looking forward to next year and what we hope to be another successful year at the Centre of Excellence.

the editor talks with James Williams...

The season in which you became a professional footballer is coming to a close and is ending in disappointment, on a personal level how do you think you have done this season?

I'd say that up until Christmas I was really enjoying myself. I was in and out of the first team, which for me was a fantastic achievement so early on in my career. I was happy with my form but after Christmas I had a bit of 'flu and a couple of injuries, which didn't help my form. Aside from that my form did dip of its own accord and until March I struggled to get back into the first team. I have made one or two appearances since then but hopefully I'll get another chance in the remaining games.

In your first season as a professional you perhaps can't expect to be consistent throughout the entire year, how much have you learnt about football in general in that period?

I was certainly brought down to earth around Christmas time because prior to that I was high on life and really enjoying my football but I soon realised that I'd have to work hard to get back in the side once my form had dipped. It will be my first full season as a professional next term and hopefully I can learn a lot more and put a more consistent run of

lately you have been enjoying some good performances in the reserves and captained them again on Wednesday, how do you feel about being captain?

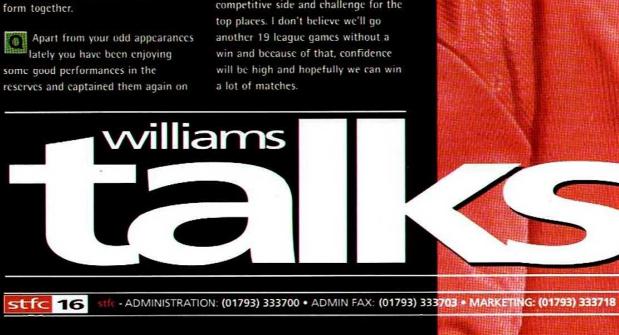
Yes, I've been captain of the reserves for a while now but I'm not too sure why! We've had a great season in the reserves apart from a little spell after Christmas and I've been delighted to captain a successful side.

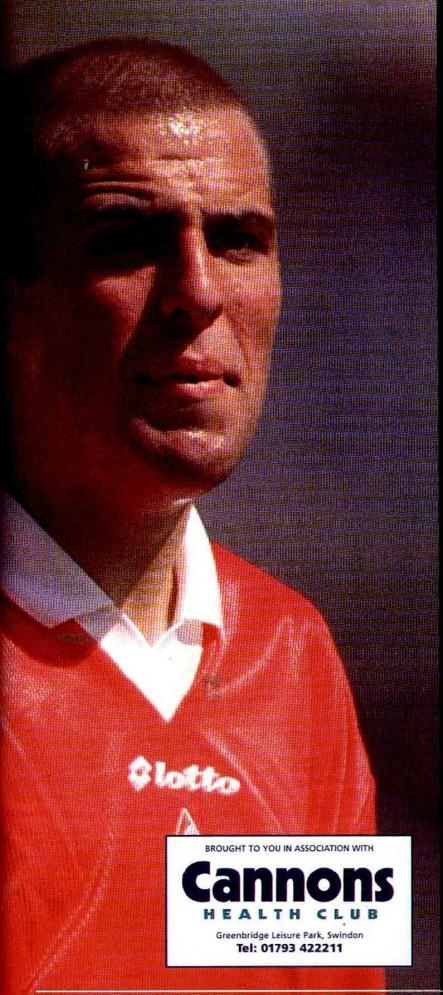
How do you see next season working out?

Obviously the objective is to get the club promoted. A club like Swindon should be challenging for a top spot in the Second Division and from a personal point of view, I want to be challenging to be in that team. I'm not sure what is happening behind the scenes at the club but if the deal does go through we might have the financial stability to improve the standard of football and also strengthen the entire squad, while aiming to gct promoted. It will make it a lot harder for us younger lads to get into the side but it's also more of an incentive for us to get into the team and more of an achievement for us to get in the team.

How tough do you think the Second Division is?

It's like all the League Divisions, they're getting tougher and tougher every year and it will be a hard battle. I'm sure Swindon can be a competitive side and challenge for the top places. I don't believe we'll go another 19 league games without a win and because of that, confidence will be high and hopefully we can win a lot of matches.





williams



birthplace

Liverpool

date of birth

15.07.82

height

5ft 7ins

weight

10st 2lb

position

defender

getting personal..

favourite film

Con Air

favourite tv show

Only Fools and Horses

favourite band/musician

I'm not that fussy

favourite sporting event ex.WC

the Olympics

favourite footballer to watch

David Ginola

favourite food

Bacon, Sausage & Egg

favourite drink

Dandelion & Burdock

favourite hobbies

Relaxing at home

favourite colour

Blue





Winner of the half-time draw at the Fulham match was Mr C Clarke and he won £314.50 for having his number of 214 drawn out.

The Supporters' Club A G M is likely to be held on the first Monday in July and confirmation will appear in the local press nearer the date. It is intended that this will take place in the Winners lounge with an 8.00 pm start. Any member wishing to submit any item for the agenda should do so by writing to The Secretary, STFC Supporters Club, c/o The County Ground, Swindon, Wilts by no later than 1ST JUNE 2000.

In our first full season we have faced an uphill struggle to develop and progress what we can return to both our members and the Football Club and we are always looking for more help either on the committee or with our activities. We do have a committed team but one that would always welcome fresh views and ideas.

However, looking back, we can reflect on the package of benefits that our members enjoy including a link to the National Association, established before the start of the season. The dialogue which we were able to have with the local council we hope has helped to pave the way forward in whichever direction the Football Club takes. We are desperate for members and all other supporters to see the Football Club survive. Finally, we have been able to get off the ground our lottery through which we are hoping to generate funds, which can also be used to move the Football Club forward.

So despite the difficulties, we believe that we have made some progress and, whatever Division we are in next season, we can look forward with a renewed optimism. These last few weeks have seen a resilience from the team and supporters and with this partnership we are certain there can be a successful time ahead. Enjoy the break and we look forward to renewing acquaintances before the start of next season.

Finally, we would like to wish Chippenham Town luck for their FAVase final at Wembley next Saturday. They may well bring some glory to Wiltshire and we are aware that a number of supporters are going to both that game and our game at Sheffield the following day. Enjoy the weekend. Perhaps we will ourselves be defending our 100% record in the stadium in the not too distant future.





with clive maguire, jon holloway and Luke Sharps

A warm welcome to you all for today's fixture versus Barnsley.

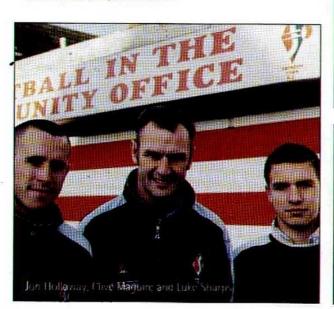
What a fantastic week we had on our Easter Funweek here at the club. We had a brilliant 150 up-and-coming stars being put through their paces by our team of qualified coaches. Despite plenty of rain the children's enthusiasm didn't waver for a second and their appetite for the coaching was absolutely 1st class. Below you can see some snap-shots of the kids having a good time. Also pictured here is our good friend Patrick with the late Sir Stanley Matthews.

A quick reminder of our course at Whitsun on the 30th and 31st of May and June 1st. Give us a call on 01793 421303 or collect the information from main reception.

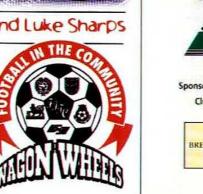
Today we extend a warm Community Office welcome to Neil Batten and his group from Shrivenham FC. A big thank you to Robb Forty at Harvey's for all his hard work. Along with Shrivenham today are Chilton Foliate Youth Club who are here with Peter Waite and Richard Long. We hope you all have a great day with us.

Have a fantastic summer

Best Wishes, Clive, Jon and Luke.















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We were very disappointed with the low turn out of Junior Robins for our last trip of the season to **Stockport County** on Bank Holiday Monday. We really need more of you to take an interest, after all, you are the Club's junior representatives.

The committee would like to wish all of you 'happy holidays' and thanks to everyone who took part in our disco's and supported the team on our away trips. We look forward to seeing you all next season and hopefully, many more of young supporters will join our Junior Robins Club.

Watch out for more information about the Junior Robins on our page in matchday magazines next season.

Julie Page is still recruiting for the Robinettes. If you are interested in being part of Julie's team you must be aged 13 and upwards. Julie will require quite a lot of your spare time so if you feel you can be a committed member and the Robinettes appeal to you, please give Julie a call on 01793 763349 for more information.

 DONATIONS - Once again there has been no response to our appeal - PLEASE HELP IF YOU CAN, no matter how small your contribution, it will help towards the cost to keep our Robins functional. Many thanks. This is YOUR PAGE
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today's lucky mascot



Connor Wood

Connor is 5-years-old and attends Westlea School. His favourite hobbies includes watching cartoons, Pokemon and, of course, football. His favourite Town player is Gareth Davies. Connor is a real trooper and is always a happy bunny! On behalf of Gill (his mum), his family and everyone here at the Club, we would like to wish Connor all the best on this very special day!



R's & JR's contacts: Fran Brearley - 01993 213015. Richard Dunstan - 01993 703110. Julie Page - 01793 763349.

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For more information about the following courses, please ring the Swindon Town Soccer Centre's Co-ordinator Jimmy Fraser on 01793 644777.

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Weds 5.30 - 6.30pm 9 - 11 years

FAIRFORD LEISURE CENTRE

Tues 5.00 - 6.00pm & 6.00 - 7.00pm 5-6, 7-8 & 9 - 10 years

BAMPTON NEW CENTRE (OXON)

5.00 - 6.00pm 7,8 & 9 years 6.00 - 7.00pm 10 - 11 years

the treatment with Dick Mackey room



Frank Talia damaged his little finger against Stockport on Monday.



I believe he made a save and his figure twisted in the ground as he followed through. We had a look at it after the game and it was quite swollen. We'll have to get a specialist to look at it later this week just to confirm that there isn't any further damage. I'm not sure about his availability for Saturday, I can't really say until a specialist has

looked at it. As you can imagine as a goalkeeper his fingers are quite important so we'll have to be very confident he will not suffer any further damage if he plays.

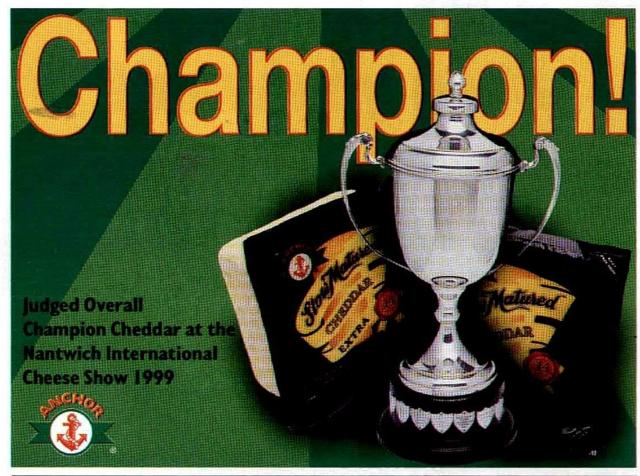
Michael Meaker hurt his back also against Stockport on Monday. He suffered a back spasm with about ten minutes left in the match and because we had already used all three subs he

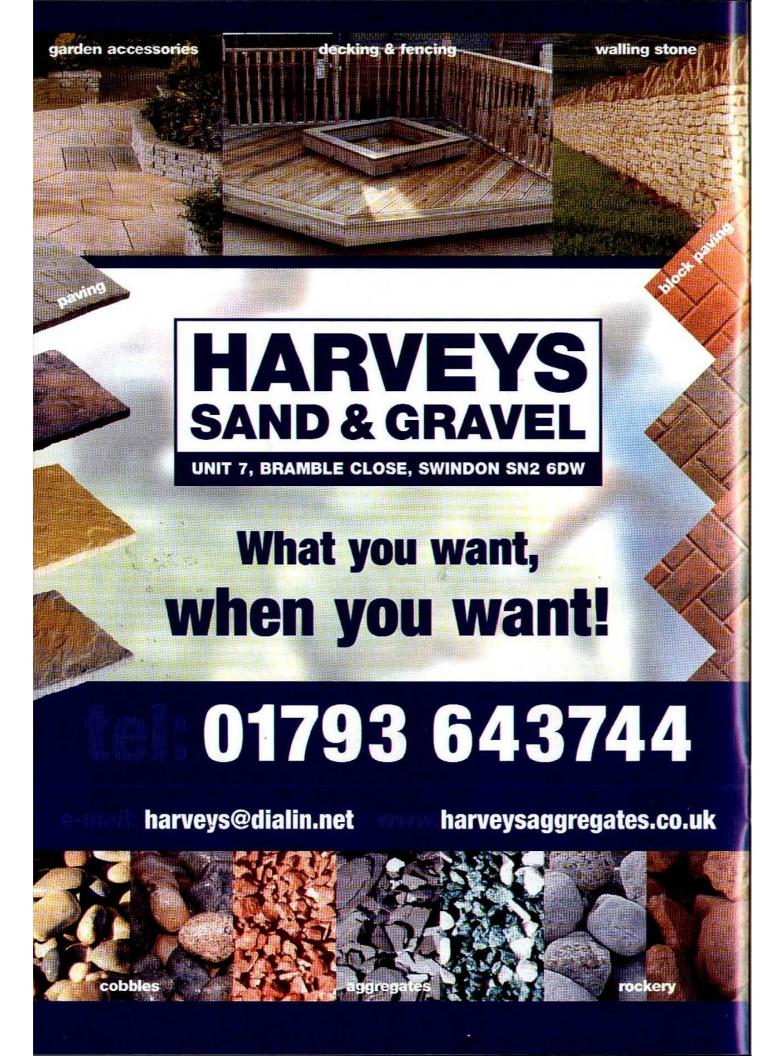




soldiered on. He was a bit better yesterday (Tues) and was again feeling better today. It will not be until tomorrow that we can gauge whether he'll be fit to play on Saturday. It's difficult to judge these things because sometimes they can clear up straight away. We got some ice on it straight after the game and then usually around 48 hours later you can get into some warm water. It takes a combination of rest, hydrotherapy and mobilisation techniques, not forgetting some anti-inflammatories.

Gareth Davies continues to make good progress and should be fine for the start of next season.







Good afternoon and welcome to today's final home match of the season against Barnsley. We hope you all enjoy your day here at the County Ground.

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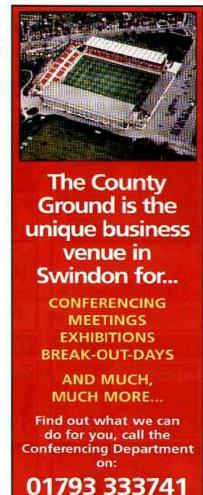
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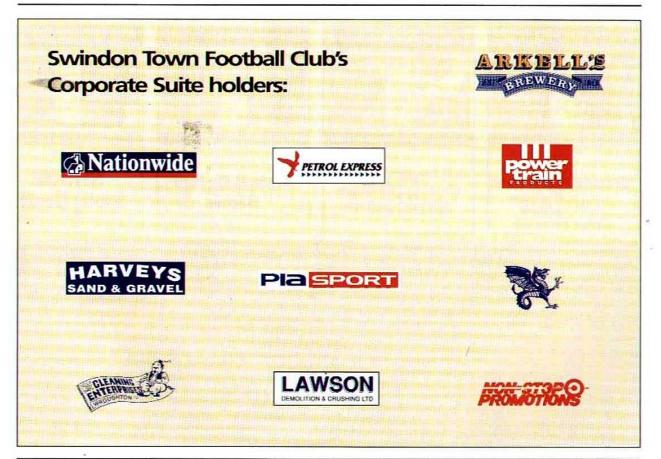
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The prices for the 'family tickets' were incorrectly printed in the Tranmere programme also the wrong colour code was used for the Arkell's enclosure. The 1st round of the Worthington cup replaces the FA cup game. We are sorry for any confusion caused.

Season Ticket Prices	*PRICE FOR 14 DAYS ONLY FROM LAUNCH DATE	*PRICE UP TO 24TH JUNE 2000	PRICE WITH INSTALMENT PLAN	PRICE AFTER 24TH JUNE 2000
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ADULT	238.00	250.00	270.00	270.00
SHIFT TICKET 18 GAMES	192.00	202.00	218.00	218.00
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JUNIOR 16 & UNDER	38.00	40.00	43.00	43.00
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SHIFT TICKET 18 GAMES	223.00	235.00	254.00	254.00
OAP STUDENT GOLD CARD	143.00	150.00	162.00	162.00
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FAMILY 2 ADULTS & 2 JUNIORS	599.00	630.00	680.00	680.00
CEN	TRE			
ADULT	323.00	340.00	367.00	367.00
SHIFT TICKET 18 GAMES	261.00	275.00	297.00	297.00
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Matchday Prices	PRICE PER MATCH	TOTAL 24 GAMES
FAMILY ENCLOSURE (VVI	THIN ARKELL'S	STAND)
ADULT	14.00	336.00
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FAMILY 2 ADULTS & 2 JUNIORS	32.00	768.00
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OAP STUDENT GOLD CARD	8.00	192.00
JUNIOR 16 & UNDER	4.00	96.00
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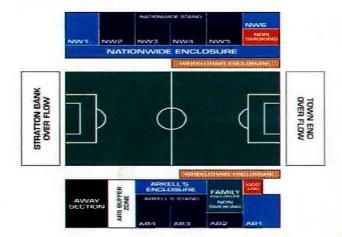
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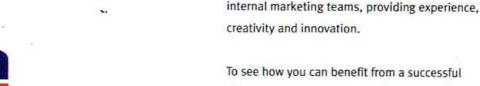
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Nationwide Football League Statistics with Carling Opta

It could have been oh so different for Swindon had Giuliano Grazioli not been injured in October.

The London-born striker had scored three goals for the Robins before an injury kept him on the sidelines until March. Since his return he has scored another three goals, including the only goal of the game in Swindon's recent win over Fulham.

Lining up against Graz today will be Barnsley hotshot Mike Sheron. The seouse-born striker has mustered eight league goals for Dave Bassett's Tykes in what has been a productive season for the South Yorkshire outfit. Victory at home to Norwich on Monday secured their place in the play-offs, and they will be looking for a return to the Premiership after a brief spell in the top-flight in 1997-98.

minutes on pitch:

Grazioli: 659 Sheron: 2,102

goal attempts

	Graz	Sheron
goals	6	8
shots on target (inc goals)	16	33
shots off target	9	34
blocked shots	4	15

passing

	Graz	Sheron
goal assists	1	5
total passes	129	675
pass completion	60%	61%

crossing

	Graz	Sheron
total crosses	3	24
cross completion	0%	33%

dribbling

	Graz	Sheron
dribbies & runs	9	70
dribble completion	44%	76%

defending

	Graz	Sheron
tackies made	8	20
tackles won	75%	70%
blocks	0	2
clearances	2	8
interceptions	3	6

discipline

	Graz	Sheron
fouls	11	20
offside	3	54
yellow cards	1	0
red cards	0	0

Statistics supplied by Carling Opta

head to

Giuliano Grazioli v Mike Sheron

nead

Opta Index, the official statisticians of the Nationwide Football League, have monitored the two players throughout the course of the season and Sheron will be disappointed with his goal return after featuring for much of the season. However, there is more to his game than scoring goals as his five

assists prove. Grazioli has just the one assist to his name, but he is more

renowned for his goal-scoring rather than creating.

Both players do possess similar passing statistics with virtually identical pass completion rates. It is Barnsley's balding hitman who has slightly the better stats though, with a 61 per cent passing accuracy, while Grazioli has seen 60 per cent of his passes find a colleague.

Swindon's Italian-sounding goal poacher does come out on top in terms of tackling. He has won 75 per cent of his challenges so far, an impressive return for a striker. Sheron also has impressive tackling

stats with a 70 per cent success rate. Grazioli also leads the way in terms of bookings with one yellow card to his name, while Sheron is yet to receive the wrath of the referee this season.

While Swindon's season has come to an early finish following their relegation to Division Two, Sheron and co. still have a lot to play for this season. They are still in with a shout of automatic promotion, but remain four points adrift with two games remaining. With that looking increasingly unlikely, hardy South Yorkshire folk could possibly be getting their flat caps and whippets out for a first-ever trip to the twin towers of Wembley.



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show yer colours appeal!

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this is your chance to get a mention in the proggy....

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roaring victory

Pictured here are Josette and John Farmer Showing their Colours' whilst watching lions in the Masai Mara Game Reserve in Kenya. The pic was taken while the Robins were beating the Canaries at Carrow Road.





It couldn't happen could it? It'll be a walk-over they all said ,a 3 or 4 nil win.

Madrid stands about as much chance of winning this game as Hull winning the premier league. How wrong we were and how Manchester United's cloak of invincibility was stripped from them without so much as an excuse me.

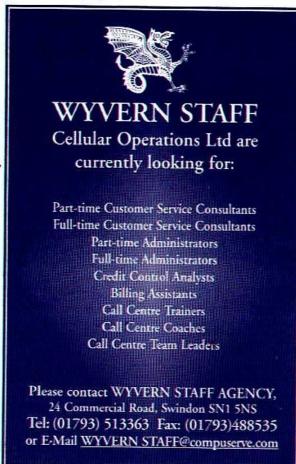
Barcelona and Bayern Munich seemed an awful long way away as Real cruised into a three nil lead early in the second half. Those watching on television had to blink in disbelief as United were ripped to shreds. Defending with all the composure of an elephant on heat, United were simply not at the races and, although their victory over Southampton at the Dell secured their sixth Premiership title in eight seasons, their failure to get past the quarter-finals of the European Cup has given their season a slightly hollow feel. Try telling that to those sides trailing in their wake in the Premiership ,but a European season which at one stage looked as though it would be dominated by English clubs now has just one representative left.

Arsenal look to have a tremendous chance of lifting the UEFA cup against Galatasary but of greater concern to both the FA and UEFA must be the prospect of fan clashes in Copenhagen while rumours abound that there will be a healthy Leeds presence in the city seeking revenge for the violence in Istanbal. Lets pop that the finale of the European season w not end in violence and retribution.

In the Premiership the title may already have been decided but the race to avoid relegation is really hotting up. After being a regular in the premiership since its inception Wimbledo now appear to be facing the very real prosper of relegation to Division 1 and, with a crazy gang that is not even as crazy as their Wellington boot-wearing manager, the future looks about as appealing as an ariel challenge with John Fashanu. Certainly it's hard to believe that relegation would be followed by a swift return to the top flight it could be the start of a very long downward spiral.







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Today we take a look at Swindon's last fixture.

On Sunday May 7th, we're away to Sheffield United, also we take a brief look at Division Two.

Sheffield United



pick up the valuable points that could lift us off the foot of the table.

the lowdown...

Neil Warnock took over from Steve Bruce earlier in the seasonal and although he hasn't set the world alight, he has provided the Blades with a solid year of consolidation. Despite the fact that Sheffield are on an eight-match winless run the Blades' fans are optimistic about next season when Warnock hopes to have brought in some more experienced players. Warnock plans to bring in up to five new players over the summer.

Only if he is unable to sign all of them from this country will he turn his attention to the foreign market. In the next couple of matches he will also blood few younger players and may also look at new tactics with next season in mind.

the reason to watch...

Our last game in the First Division for a while so you better make the most of it. Many of next year's away trips may not be so glamorous, so it could well be worth making the trip and hope that we can

the last five meetings...

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the player to watch...

Marcus Bent began his footballing career at Brentford before moving on to London neighbours Crystal Palace. He later joined Port Vale for £375,000 in January 1999 from Palace where he failed to find any good form. He had only scored six goals previously in Palace's reserve side. John Rudge took

> him to Port Vale in what turned out to be his last singing for the club. Beht is a imposing figure at 6ft 2 and found that he was able to beat defenders with some ease. However, he

> > failed to hit the back of the net consistently and was once again on his travels. Sheffield United picked Bent up for a knock-down £300,000 in October 1999 and soon proved that this could well be a bargain for the Blades.

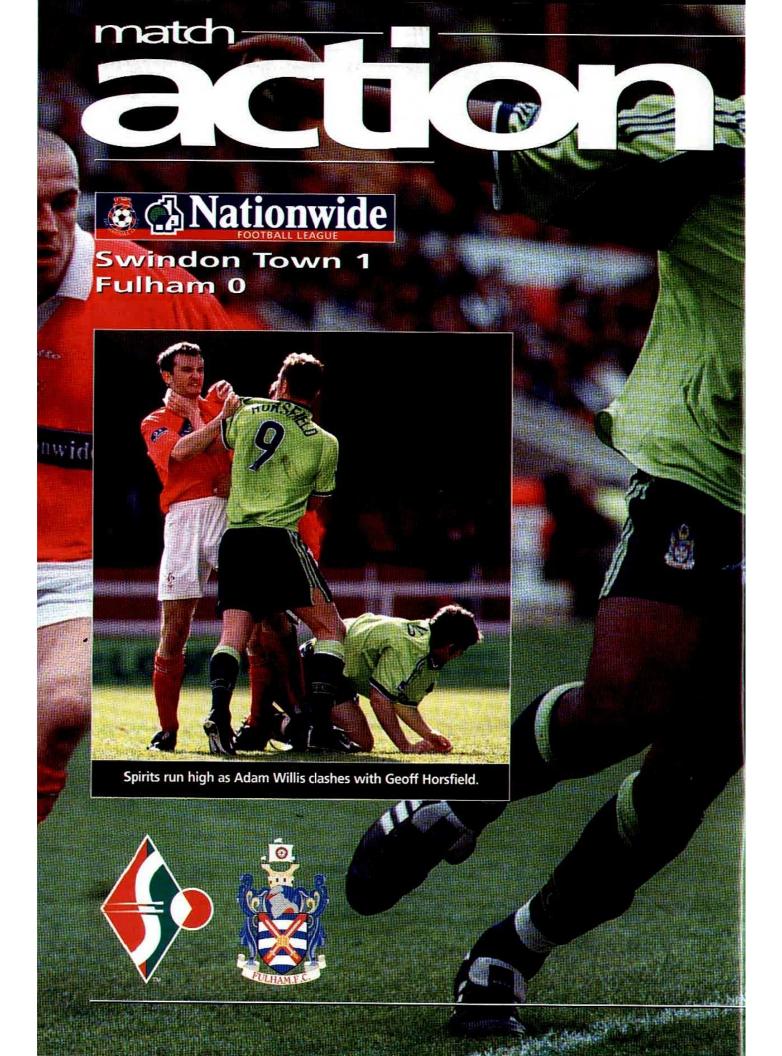
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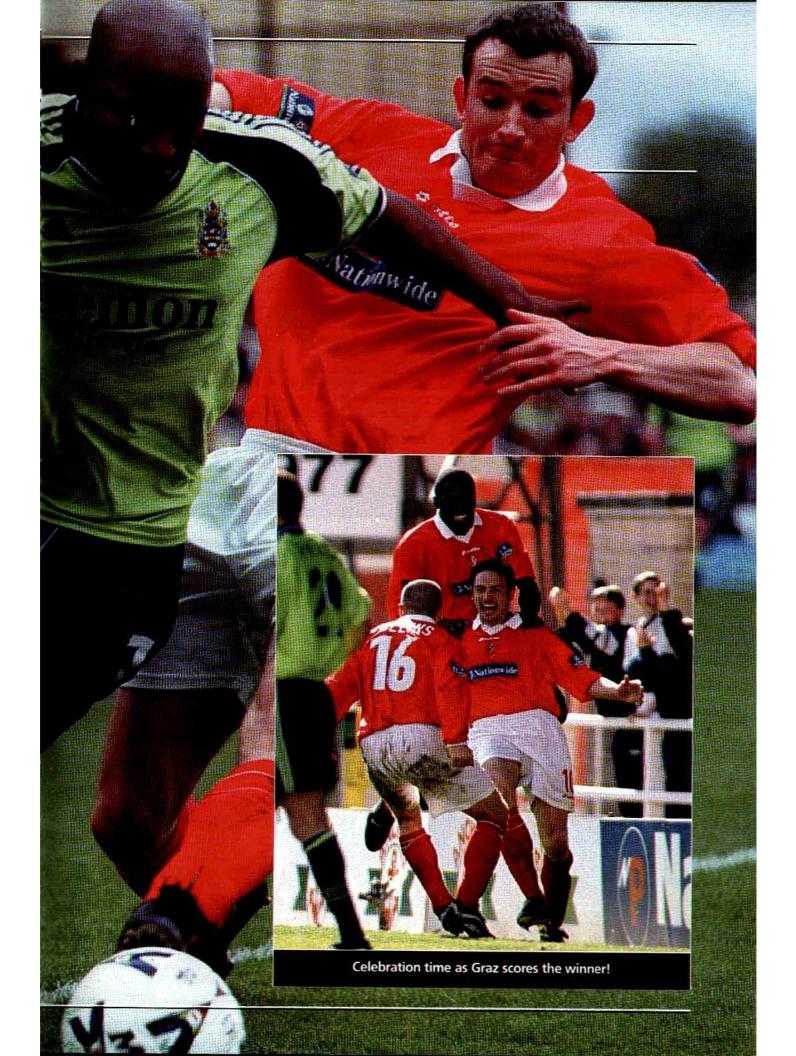
here are some of the players and teams we could be facing next season...





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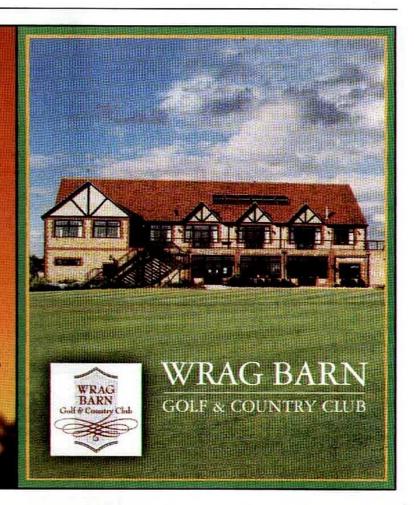
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town by Roger Reeves

The Town Ladies finished the season in third place of the South West Combination League for the second consecutive year.

Newport had a good finish to the season beating Bristol Rovers, Cheltenham Town and Saltash Pilgrims to pip Rovers to the title and promotion to the National League Division One. Oddly enough Bristol Rovers, the Town and Cheltenham Town, finished second third and fourth, in the same positions that they finished last season. Newport won the South West Region League last year and have spent only one season in the Combination League.

The Town Reserves finished their season with a good away win over Witney Town 5-3. Michelle Rich and Fiona Baldwin both got two goals and Sam Quinn got the other. Everyone at Town Ladies would like to congratulate Bev Maul of Swindon Spitfires on her recent award for services to Women's football. Bev has been a player for over thirty years and has coached and been involved in the administration side of the game. Well done Bev, very well deserved!

Tomorrow the Town face Newport in the final of the 'Ambassador' South West Combination League Cup. The Welsh side having just won the League will be keen to do the double but the Town, who are the current holders of the Cup, will not give the trophy up easily; so it has the makings of a cracking climax to the season. When the two sides met in Wales, Newport won 3-1 but in the return fixture the Town won 2-0. The final will be played at Odd Down FC (Bath) and will kick-off at 2.30pm.



Leanne Taylor, whose goal at Saltash booked the Town's place in the final of the 'Ambassador' South West Combination League Cup.

SOUTH WEST COMBINATION LEAGUE TABLE

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CHELTENHAM	20	14	1	5	57	26	43
SALTISH PILGRIMS	21	11	3	. 7	63	38	36
DENHAM UNITED	20	9	2	9	49	40	29
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royle disappointment



Manchester City boss Joe Royle was not happy with match official Rob Harris when the Oxford referee awarded Portsmouth a penalty in injury time of the first half when Robert Taylor was adjudged to have handled inside his own penalty area. City had been 2-0 up but when former City striker Lee Bardbury converted from the spot it gave Pompey the lifeline they needed. The match finished 2-2 and it put a scrious dent in City's hopes of securing their second consecutive promotion and second spot in the First Division. "It all hinged on a very harsh penalty seconds

before half time when the ball smacked at Robert Taylor. He didn't look inside the box to me so instead of coming in leading 2-0 and cruising it's 2-1 and they had something to go for in the second half," remarked Royle.

ipsvvich hope

Joe Royle would have been a lot happier on hearing the news that City's main promotion rivals, Ipswich suffered a crushing 3-1 defeat at QPR. Ipswich boss George Burley is still not ruling out the possibility that his side can catch Manchester City to go second, he said:

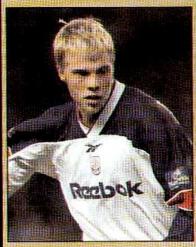
"There are still three games to play and everything to play for. I think our attacking play was much better in the second half but if you give away two silly goals it is always going to be an uphill struggle."



bob boost



At the other end of the table Gary Megson has already been vindicated in his decision to offer striker Bob Taylor a long-term contract at the Hawthorns. The 33-year-old rejoined Albion on transfer deadline day for a bargain £100,000 after leaving Bolton. He was allowed to leave West Brom originally because he refused to sign a twoyear deal. The veteran striker has now signed a three-year deal and has already proven his worth in the Baggies relegation battle. He has hit four crucial goals in Albion's last four games including two that sank Grimsby on Monday. Megson said: "I know a lot of cycbrows were raised when we offered Bob a long-term contract, but we know what we are doing and Bob has proved us right. He is popular with the fans and you can already see why it was the most important of the five signings we made on deadline day. He is proving yet again that he is one of the best finishers in football. He is a credit to the club and himself."



Graeme Souness is lining up his first Rovers signing in Bolton's £5 millionrated striker Eidur Gudjohnsen. Souness missed Blackburn's mid-table match with Grimsby to check up on the Icelandic Under-21 international. Gudjohnsen had been linked with several top-flight clubs including Leeds, Middlesbrough and Newcastle Utd. but Souness believes he is the perfect man to fire Rovers back into the Premiership. The deal might not need too much of Jack Walker's cash as Souness is likely to offer former Bolton striker Nathan Blake or Ashley Ward as part of the deal. The two players have led the line well at Ewood Park but neither have hit the back of the net on a regular basis and are seen as surplus to requirements by Rovers new chief.

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premier league CARLING DEV/S

Manchester United should complete the signing of Dutch international Ruud Van Nistelrooy this weekend. The £18.5 million deal hit problems when the Van Nistelrooy failed a medical due to a knee injury he sustained earlier this year. His current club PSV sent over a medical specialist from Holland to assure the Red Devils that his knee injury would not be career threatening.

Van Nistelrooy flew back to Holland earlier this week confident that he will be teaming up with the English Premiership Champions this summer. United are likely to have an insurance policy that will protect their huge investment should Van Nistelrooy knee problem re-occur during his first 10 to 15 matches for the club.

Even though the Dutch hot-shot had not put pen to paper the speculation over who will make way for their British transfer record is well under way. to replace Batistuta with a proven goalscorer if he does leave this summer and Cole will move to Italy along with £5 million of Fergie's cash. Toldo is Fergie's latest choice to fill the void left by Peter Schmeichel and his current £23,000 a week wages will be no problem for United. Toldo confirmed: "The club are definitely trying to push me towards Manchester United, because they don't want to sell me to another Italian team. It is up to Fiorentina but, if I have to leave, Manchester United would be a wonderful solution for me. I believe they just have to negotiate for me."

Furthermore, both Tottenham and Leeds United have stepped-up their interest in United's super-sub Ole Gunnar Solskjaer. Spurs boss, George Graham has already had and £11 million bid turned down for the Norwegian international and Leeds' David O'Leary, who has also approached United is ready to increase that bid to find the prolific goalscorer they need to challenge for top honours next season. Fergie has bolstered his frontline with Van Nistelrooy so his attention will turn to the centre of his defence. Spurs' Sol Campbell could be the lure Fergie needs to part with Solskjaer, although, he could wait a year for

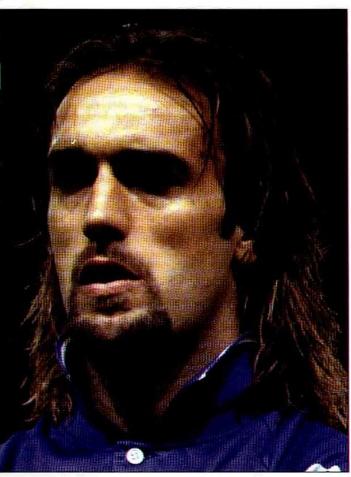


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Fiorentina striker Gabriel Batistuta has been linked with a summer transfer to Serie A rivals Inter Milan.

Batistuta, long admired by Manchester United manager Alex Ferguson, is ready to leave Fiorentina, the club he joined nine years ago. Batistuta has become a legend with the fans in Florence but his lack of success in European competition with Fiorentina, after they spent heavily for this season's Champions' League, has sparked rumours that he off to win honours. Inter Milan will be without Brazilian Ronaldo for eight months with a knee injury and Batistuta would be the ideal replacement.

However, Batistuta's agent, Settimio Aloisio, is keeping his options open and is reported to be stopping off in London and Madrid before he sits down at the table with Inter.









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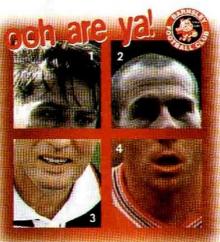
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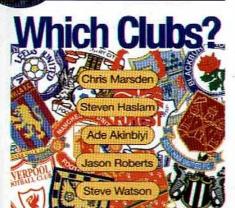
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- Which European player has scored the most goals in a single European campaign?
- Which club won the' PFA Fair Play Trophy in 1999?
- (5) Which English club was the last to score 5 goals and lose in a Football League match?
- Who had the longest professional association with a single English League club?
- When was the first FA Cup semifinal played at Wembley?
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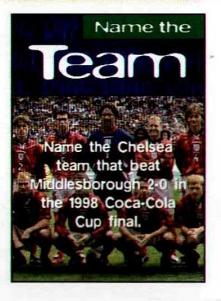






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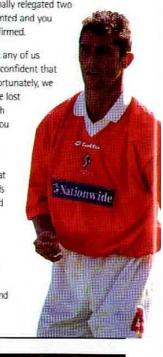
Good afternoon and welcome to our last home match of the season against Barnsley.

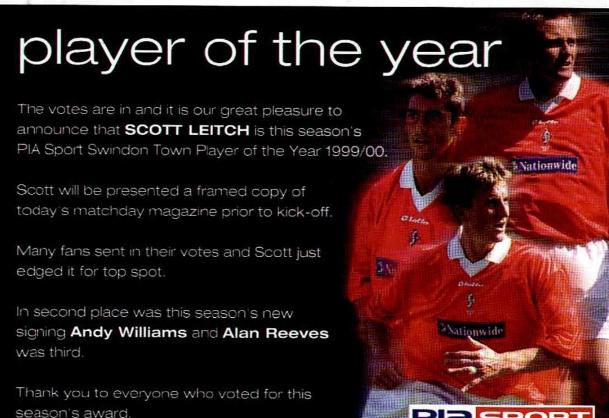
After a terrific home win against Fulham on Wednesday, we were finally relegated two days later losing to Stockport 3-0. All the lads were extremely disappointed and you could hear a pin-drop in the changing rooms after relegation was confirmed.

We always knew this season was going to be tough but I don't think any of us quite knew it would be this tough. At the start of this season we were confident that we could pick up points against a lot of teams in this division but, unfortunately, we didn't do it consistently. Financial problems off the pitch meant that we lost many of our quality and most experienced players. It's hard to deal with when you lose so many team-mates but, as a professional footballer, you have to get on with things and do your best no matter what the circumstances.

The Club looks like it is on the verge of being taken over but until that happens there aren't too many people who know what the future holds for them. Many players, including myself, are out of contract at the end of the season and at present do not know if we will be offered new ones. It is a difficult situation but this kind of thing happens in most jobs so you have to accept it and hope for the best.

If I am here next year we'll be giving it our all to win promotion and get back into Division One. However, if this is my last home game for Swindon Town, I would like to thank you all for supporting the team and myself throughout this difficult season. It's a great club with great supporters and deserves better fortunes.





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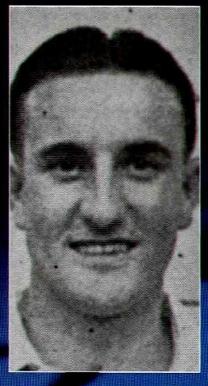
Welcome to our A to Z of former Swindon Town players. This week we take a look back at Albert Young.

Albert Young was born at Caerleon. He had made one appearance for Swindon as a guest while he was on Arsenal's books during the 1945/46 season. He did enough to persuade Swindon to sign him on and, when League football proper resumed with the 1946/47, season Albert was a right back in the Town line up that went down 4-1 at Northampton. Billy Lucas playing at right half in front of Young was the only player who had appeared in the last pre-war match. During his first season with Town Albert made 36 League appearances and was a regular performer the following season when he notched up a further 36 first team appearances, six of these coming in the Town's FA Cup run which saw them reach Round Five. He was part of the defence which kept clean sheets against both Burnley, who were defeated in Round Three and Notts County, whose team included England centre forward Tommy Lawton, were defeated in Round Four. Hopes of Wembley were ended however when Town crashed 3-0 at Southampton.

When Billy Lucas was transferred it was Albert who took over the captaincy. Towards the end of the 1947/48 season he suffered a fractured ankle against Reading and missed the remaining games but had recovered by the time the following season started. It was

during this campaign at Vicarage Road on the 19th March 1949 that Albert scored his only goal for the Town, this coming in a 3-0 victory. Town finished fourth in the League, a marked improvement on the previous season but the improvement was not continued in the following campaign, which was to be Albert's last for Swindon and indeed the Football League.

Albert's last appearance for Swindon was against Aldershot Town away on the last day of the 1948/9. By this time he had made 123 League and 10 cup appearances for Town. An experiment of playing Ithell, normally a centre half, was tried for one match when Billy Lloyd, a player from Milford Haven, who had been his understudy the previous season took his place. From February until the end of the season, Young was injured and had no opportunity to try to win back his position. The club had been carrying an overdraft of £6,000 for much of



the season and keeping a player in his thirties who seemed to be injury-prone as an understudy was a luxury the club could not afford, Along with Frank Boulton, a goalkeeper who had done much for Swindon, he was released on a free at the end of the season. That the parting of the ways was not entirely amicable is shown by the fact that although the Board agreed to refund him £13.13.4 for specialists' fees for injury treatment, it was minuted that in future only medical treatment authorised in writing by the Manager would be paid.

By Dick Mattick

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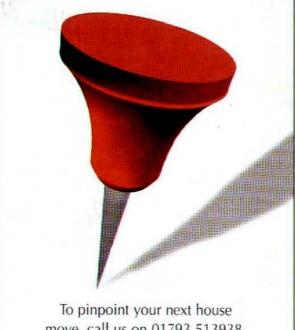
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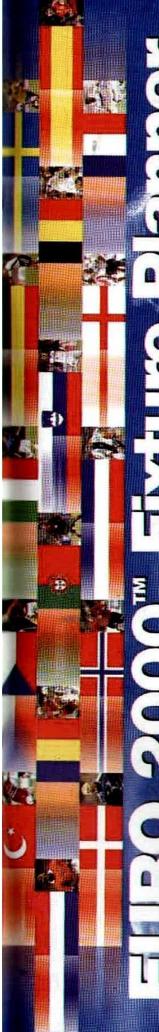


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If Old Trafford is the womb of British Football and Anfield is its nurturing breast, surely Wembley is its beautiful face and, for some reading this, you may remember I wrote the first article of this current campaign deploring Wembley's demise and entering a plea for The Town to have the twin towers. Well, I've changed my mind.

A great beauty Wembley might have been once, but not any more. Like some legendary Hollywood film star, her allure and presence will live in our hearts forever but, quite frankly, as far as Wembley is concerned the planners are right - she's past her sell-by date. The facade may still be attractive but that's all. Her insides are dark, dirty and out of date. She has served us well but it's time for a change.

In the same way that I admit to changed feelings for the old girl, I have had a change of heart with a view to the twin towers. Its not what we need - or want. We want to be ourselves - invigorated, slimmer, fitter and hopefully in a stadium designed for and by the fans of Swindon Town. These times of make-do-and-mend must come to an end soon and then we can at last look to the future. Swindon as a town has never been the first to have new and exciting development, it has always been more measured and thoughtful in its approach, but we always get there in the end with a better concept well worth waiting for.

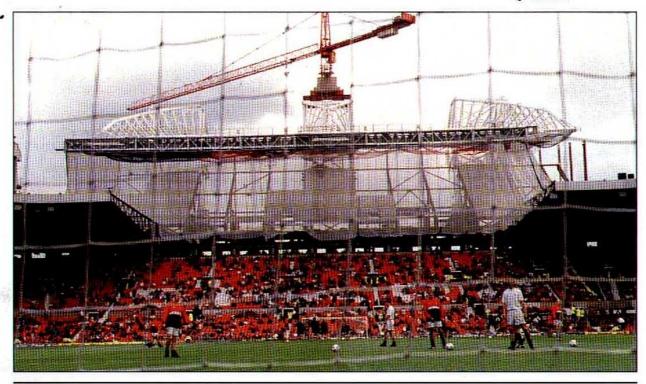
We've done leisure domes, ice rinks, outlet villages and heritage

sites. We are even getting a state-of- the-art new hospital. It's time to celebrate our status as a top town of middle England with a new soccer stadium. One which will be so all-encompassing, so versatile in its uses and so awe-inspiringly good to look at that the F.A will beat down our door to beg us to hold internationals there. Helicopters belonging to the great and good will hover around it like seagulls waiting for trawlers. We are, after all, constantly being told how good we all are in these parts, how hard-working, affluent and conveniently situated, so why are we still in a ground with only two decent stands. Of course there are those who would say we can't even fill the two

we've got but I firmly believe people nowadays want something better. After all, the new multi-screen cinema complexes show that home video has not taken over as predicted and that digital TV football coverage won't either. Give people comfortable, attractive surroundings fitted and conceived in a grand style and they

will flock in their tens of thousands to the venue. The demand for family entertainment of a high standard has never been higher, and nowhere provides an environment where audience participation is so much a part of the experience than a full soccer stadium. All we need is for the powers that be to tell us what more they need from us.

What a wonderful way for us to end this difficult season it would be if an announcement was made about plans for a new Swindon Town stadium. After all, we've never had anything beautiful and new as a testament to the working people of the area before - surely now is the time.







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Sat Aug 21	Crystal Palace ((A) 2	2-1	12,726	TALIA	ROBINSON	HAIL	DAVIES	HOWE	WALTERS	REEVES	NDAH	DAVE
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Mon Aug 30	Grimsby ((A) 0	3-1	5,705	TALIA	ROBINSON	HALL	DAVIES	REEVES (1)	WALTERS	HOWE	NDAH	DAVIS
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Giuliano Grazioli	6	Sun 26th Dec vs Portsmouth	10,279	Fulham	WON	1-0
Iffy Onuora	4	Men Jan 3rd vs Q.P.R,	9,460	Tranmere Rovers	WON	3-1
Gareth Hall	2	Sat Mar 18th vs Wolves	8,748	QPR	LOST	2-1



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4.	Ipswich	43	22	12	9	65	41	78
5.	Birmingham	44	22	10	12	65	43	76
6.	Huddersfield	44	21	11	12	62	44	74
7.	Wolves	43	19	11	13	59	46	68
8.	Bolton	43	18	13	12	63	48	67
9.	Fulham	44	16	16	12	46	38	64
10.	Blackburn	44	15	17	12	53	45	62
11.	QPR	44	15	17	12	59	52	62
12.	Norwich	44	13	15	16	43	48	54
13.	Tranmere	44	14	12	18	54	65	54
14.	Sheff Utd	44	13	14	17	56	67	53
15.	Portsmouth	44	13	12	19	54	62	51
16.	Stockport	44	12	15	17	51	64	51
17.	Nottm Forest	44	12	14	18	48	53	50
18.	Grimsby	44	13	11	20	40	65	50
19.	Crystal Palace	43	11	15	17	53	64	48
20.	Crewe	44	13	9	22	43	64	48
21.	West Brom	44	9	18	17	41	60	45
22.	Walsall	44	10	13	21	51	75	43
23.	Port Vale	44	7	15	22	48	66	36(R
24.	Swindon	44	8	11	25	35	73	35(R

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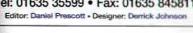
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Frank Talia	1	31	2		33
Mark Robinson	2	37(2)	3	-	40(2)
Gareth Hall	3	36(1)	3	2	40(1)
Scott Leitch	4	26(1)	2		28(1)
Gareth Davies	5	14(2)	2		16(2)
Michael Carrick		7		2	7
Bryan Smith	6				V= 31
Bobby Howe	7	24(7)	1(1)	1	25(8)
Iffy Onuora		16(5)	3	4	19(5)
Wayne Gray	9	9(1)	0	2	9(1)
Giuliano Grazioli	10	9(7)	2	6	11(7)
Michael Meaker	11	6			6
Ty Gooden		7(3)	1	1	8(3)
Alan Reeves	12	41	2	1	43
Bart Griemink		4	11.25		4
Jimmy Glass		8			8
Mark Walters	1	11(2)	2	2	13(2)
Chris Hay		27(5)	(2)	10	27(7)
Lee Collins	16	21(1)	1	-1	22(1)
Steve Cowe	17	10(4)		-	10(4)
Steve Mildenhall	18	1(2)	1	-	2(2)
Adam Willis	19	14(6)	1(1)	2	15(7)
Charlie Griffin	20	5(13)	(2)	1	5(15)
Sol Davis	21	23(4)	2(1)	~	25(5)
Robin Hulbert	-	3(7)	2	#/	5(7)
Philippe Cuervo	23	(6)	-	-	(6)
Sam Campagna	24	1(2)		-	1(2)
Frazer McHugh	25	9(3)	(1)	=	9(4)
Nicky Burke	26			48	1 14
Jamie Mills	27	-	- 1	-	-
Alan Flanagan	29			- 2	12
Paul McAreavey	30	-	-	- 93	18
James Williams	32	11(10)	1	-	12(10)
Andy Williams	33	35(1)	1	1	36(1)
Jim Quinn	40	1(6)	1	*:	2(6)

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