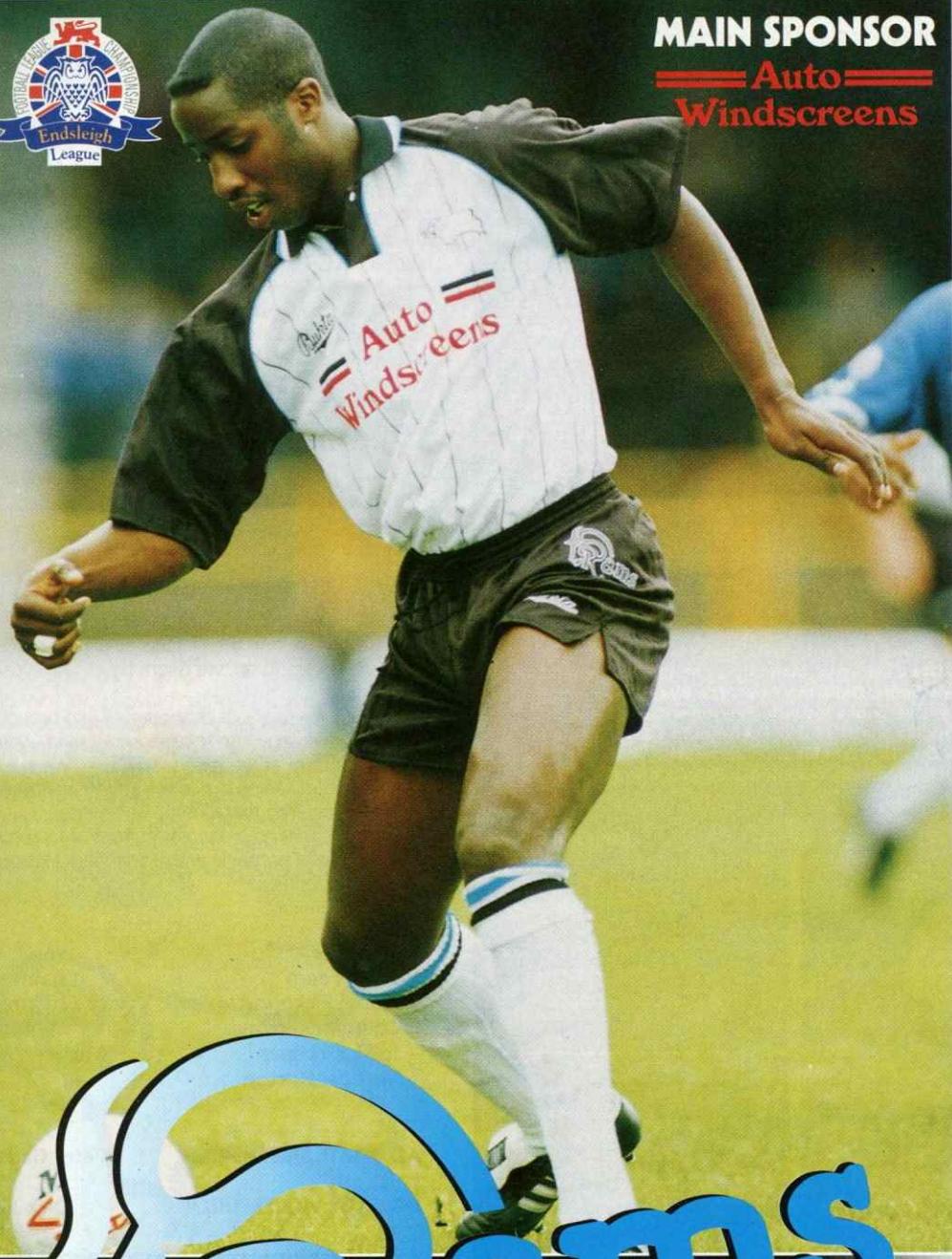


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**Matchday Luton Town Edition**

If the Rams needed any "Spur" to maintain their excellent current form at the Baseball Ground then today they have just what the doctor ordered. The talk around the town for the next two and a half weeks will be all about the impending visit of Tottenham Hotspur.

That is Derby's reward for the thoroughly professional disposal of Exeter City in the second round of the Coca-Cola Cup, and what a great reward it is too. Manchester United may be the current champions, Arsenal are possibly London's premier club but when it comes to glamour, there are none bigger than the mighty Spurs.

Against Sheffield Wednesday and Arsenal last season, our exciting squad of players showed that the Rams can live with the big boys, and now they have a chance to go one better and claim a victory. But that is all for the future and, after rubbing his hands together with glee, Roy McFarland will rightly have told his players to think about the present. After all, none will need reminding what the Club's main priority is this season.

And besides, the team have a small score to settle with today's opponents Luton as the Hatters are the only side out of the last 13 to come to the Baseball Ground and leave with anything other than a defeat; they drew here 1-1 in April.

Just for the record, here's the full Coca-Cola Cup third round draw: Man Utd v Leicester; Man City v Chelsea, Sunderland v Villa, Derby v Spurs, Oldham v Coventry, Blackburn v Shrewsbury, Liverpool v Ipswich, Everton v Palace, Middlesbrough v Sheffield Utd, Portsmouth v Swindon, Tranmere v Grimsby, Wimbledon v Newcastle, Arsenal v Norwich, QPR v Millwall, Blackpool v Peterborough, Forest v West Ham.

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Paul Williams' consistent form has earned him two awards this week.

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The conditions on Wednesday night were hardly conducive to playing attractive, passing football, but the weather was even less welcoming for those watching from the stands and terracing.

Which is why it was so pleasing to see a gate in excess of 10,000 turn up despite the fact it had rained virtually non-stop from mid-day and continued right throughout the game.

It made the conditions absolutely atrocious, but I thought the pitch played quite well considering the amount of rain that had fallen. It was only in the last twenty minutes or so that the ball refused to roll through the central areas and then it did become a bit of a farce.

In those conditions managers look for a solid professional display with no-one getting sent-off from an ill-timed tackle and no silly goals conceded because those situations can easily occur.

Both goalkeepers did very well with their handling and there was plenty of pleasing points from our own display, as there was from Exeter City's.

Their performance was typical of an Alan Ball team with plenty of good football, bright ideas and hard work. We knew what to expect from the first leg at St James' Park so it was never going to be easy and we needed to be totally professional.

It is funny how these sort of ties hinge on individual incidents and perhaps one crucial point against Exeter came when Darren Wassall lost his footing for a second time during the first leg. Had Exeter scored then, and gone 2-0 up, we might have had a very difficult time.

As it was we took our chances well and brought a two goal advantage into the second leg and, with our current form at the Baseball Ground, we would be confident of seeing our way through against virtually any side with that kind of advantage.

The carrot that now dangles in front of us comes in the form of a home tie with Tottenham Hotspur

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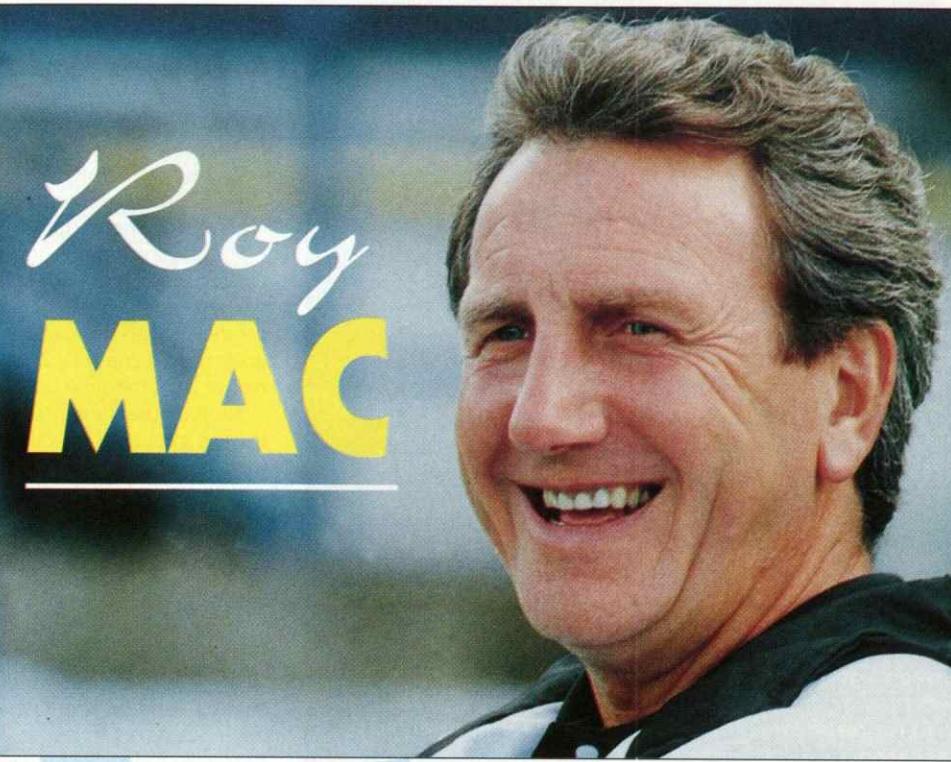
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in the third round, which should recall memories of our games against Sheffield Wednesday and Arsenal last season which provided two superb Baseball Ground nights.

The tie gives us a good chance to assess our progress against a strong Premier League side as well as giving you, the supporters, something extra special to look forward to. It is bound to be a 20,000

sell-out and the atmosphere will be electric.

We all allowed ourselves a smile when the draw was made but now that tie goes out of our minds. We have Luton at home this afternoon, Portsmouth away next weekend then Crystal Palace here in fortnight and we will be tackling those three very important League games before our attentions turn back to Spurs.

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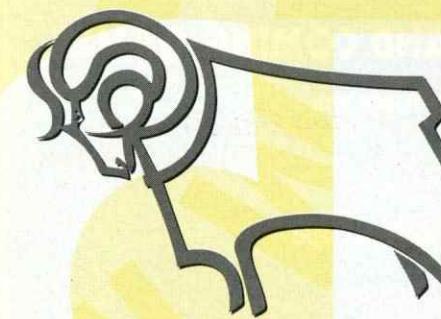
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## PORSCMOUTH v DERBY

October 16th (3.00pm)

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The Road Rider will be making an early start, 9.30am from Derby Bus Station, and the return fare will cost £11 (Travel Club Members only). Both match and Road Rider tickets are now on sale from the ticket office.

## DERBY v CRYSTAL PALACE

October 23rd (3.00pm)

Tickets look like being in great demand when First Division leaders Crystal Palace come to the Baseball Ground later this month although this match is NOT all-ticket for Derby supporters. However, you are advised to get your ticket as early as possible, with seat and terrace tickets now on sale from the general office priced at £9 to £11 (concs: £6) for reserved seating, £7 (concs: £5) for unreserved seating and £6 (concs: £3) for terracing.

## BOLTON WANDERERS v DERBY

October 30th (3.00pm)

Only 300 seat tickets will be on offer to Derby supporters at Burnden Park and these will go on sale after today's game priced at £10 (£8 concs) if they have arrived from Bolton. Terracing admission will also be available on the day of the game (1,200 covered, 3,000 open) priced at £7.50 (£5 concs).

## RAMS FOLLOW THE GOAL TRAIL...

The eight goal extravaganza witnessed at the Baseball Ground last weekend came as no surprise to those who keep an eye on soccer statistics.

For goalscoring throughout the Endsleigh Insurance League has seen another sharp rise this campaign with the number of goals scored currently 7% higher than this time last year.

Football League officials claim the rise in goals is directly due to their rule change last season which determined the league position of clubs on equal points by the number of goals scored, rather than goal difference as in the past.

There were more goals scored throughout the three divisions throughout the whole of last season, and now this innovative move seems set to repeat the trick even more substantially this season.

For the record, 842 goals had been scored in League action before last weekend, with an average of 2.89 goals scored per game. If you are looking for goals, watch a Second Division match because scoring in that division has risen by nearly 12%.

## THE DERBY COUNTY DIARY OF UP AND COMING GAMES

### TUESDAY, OCTOBER 12th

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### SATURDAY, OCTOBER 16th

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Midland League Cup Second Round  
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### SATURDAY, OCTOBER 16th

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Endsleigh Insurance League Division One  
Kick-off: 3.00pm

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Sheffield Wednesday Res vs Derby County Res  
Pontins League Division One  
Kick-off: 7.00pm

### TUESDAY, OCTOBER 19th

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Midlands Youth Cup  
Kick-off: 7.00pm

### SATURDAY, OCTOBER 23rd

Notts County Youth vs Derby County Youth  
Purity Midlands Youth League  
Kick-off: 10.30am

### SATURDAY, OCTOBER 23rd

Derby County vs Crystal Palace  
Endsleigh Insurance League Division One  
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### THURSDAY, OCTOBER 28th

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Pontins League Division One  
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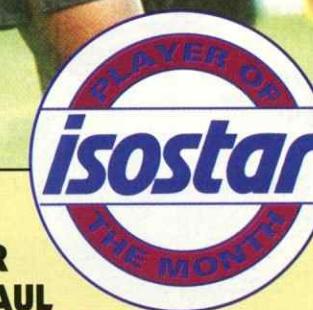
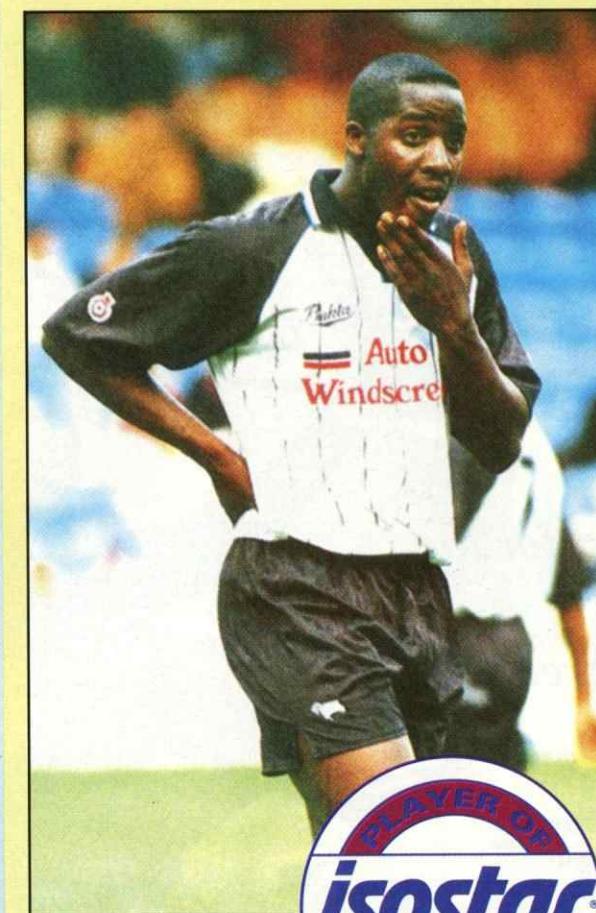
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## TWO AWARDS IN A WEEK FOR CONSISTENT PAUL

There's just no stopping Rams midfield powerhouse Paul Williams at the moment.

After picking up the bubbly as the Endsleigh Insurance man-of-the-match during our televised game against West Bromwich Albion last Sunday (see inset picture), the Burton born 22 year-old has been handed a second award; the Derby County Isostar Player of the Month for September.

Paul was nominated for the award by new team manager Roy McFarland who commented: "Paul has been very consistent throughout the month and, when I look back on the games we played during September, his name kept cropping up among the good things that happened."

Isostar, who supply the official isotonic energy drink used by the Rams, are to sponsor the new Player of the Month award throughout the season. We will be publishing a roll of honour from time to time and award winners may help you to decide who should pick up the Derby County Player of the Season when voting starts next April.

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Twenty-five explosive second half minutes turned this televised Midlands derby clash into a goals glut.

All of the game's eight super strikes came within less than half-an-hour of each other after a stale mate first half.

Paul Kitson got the circus underway with a great turn and shot three minutes after the restart, with Paul Simpson (2), Mark Pembridge with a penalty and Craig Short got into the act.

It wasn't plain sailing for the Rams though as the Albion hit back, first through Bob Taylor and then with two Andy Hunt goals, but Derby deserved their ultimate advantage.



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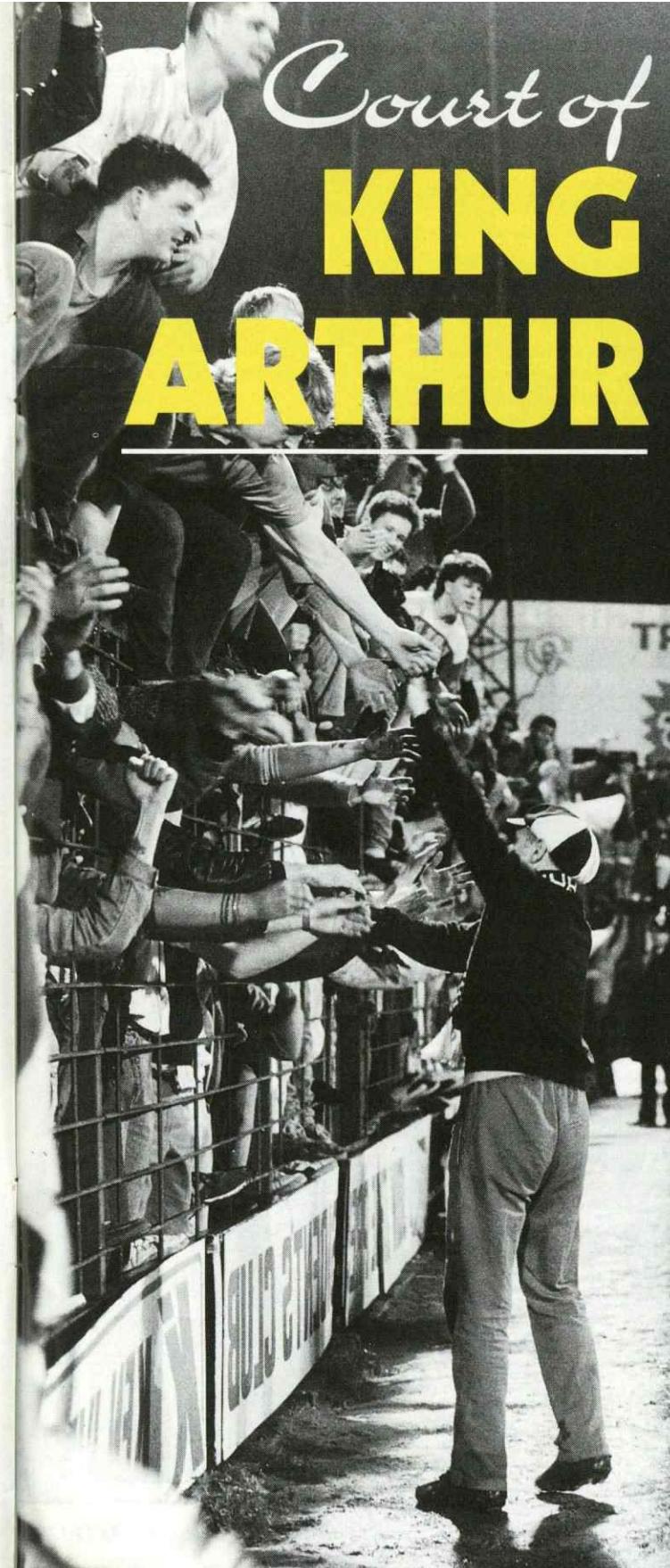
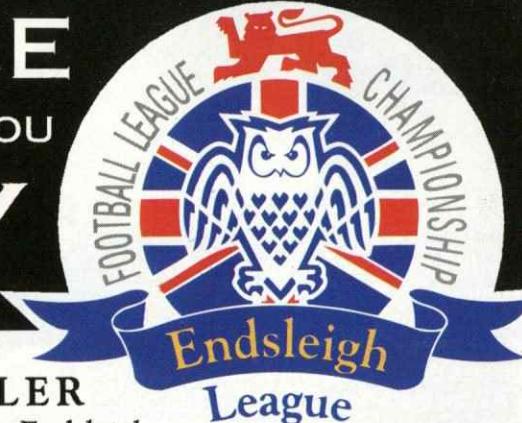
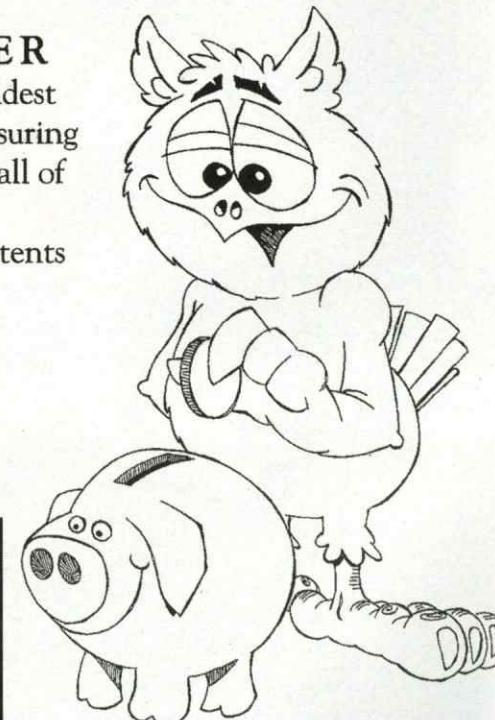
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When history casts her fickle finger over the Arthur Cox years at Derby County she ought to be kind.

In more than nine years at the Baseball Ground, the Warwickshire born 53 year-old brought no League Championships to Derby, no FA Cup or League Cup successes but folklore still owes him a favourable write-up.

For what he did bring to this famous old club was two successive promotions, a batch of truly marvellous players and, above all else, a fresh helping of dignity.

And, when Arthur Cox was persuaded to leave his budding, Division One bound Newcastle starlets in 1984, that is just what this club needed having been sentenced to spend its centenary year in Division Three only nine years after last lifting the League title.

He joined a club with an image as bare as the professional playing squad registered to it. Although having escaped financial ruin only a couple of months before Arthur's arrival, Derby County were still poised on a knife-edge and could so easily have toppled towards Huddersfield Town and Preston North End as a down and out member of soccer's aristocracy.

Yet within three years the Rams were celebrating a return to English football's top flight; within five years Derby County were finishing in the top five teams in the country.

It all started with humble beginnings as Arthur took stock during the summer of '84 to realise that he didn't have enough professional players to even field a team, let alone worrying about what position each player would take.

At that stage, there was little money even though the

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RAMS WAY Tribute to Arthur Cox

Arthur Cox is now rightly regarded as one of the most influential footballing authorities around, but things haven't always been easy for him.

Deep thinking and well respected, Arthur has had to endure more than a few body blows in the near four decades that he has been involved with the game, not least when injury enforced a premature end to his playing days while still a young full-back with Coventry City.

Despite that broken leg at 18, Arthur Cox quickly adapted to coaching and served Coventry in that capacity before moving on to Walsall, Aston Villa, Halifax Town and Preston.

He moved into management when he was appointed as Bob Stokoe's assistant at Sunderland and was alongside Stokoe on the bench at Wembley when the Weariders won the FA Cup in 1973.

Although he worked briefly in Turkey and entered football management with Chesterfield in October 1976, it was in the North East that Arthur Cox's management skills really came to light as he helped re-establish Newcastle as a First Division team having guided them to promotion in 1984 with the likes of Chris Waddle, Kevin Keegan and Peter Beardsley playing for him.

However, with the Magpies up, Arthur opted to leave St James' Park for Third Division Derby County breathing fresh life into our wilting club.

## THE ARTHUR COX LEAGUE RECORD

|              |              | Home       |           |           | Away      |           |           |           |
|--------------|--------------|------------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|
|              |              | P          | W         | D         | L         | W         | D         | L         |
| 1984-85      | (7th Div 3)  | 46         | 14        | 7         | 2         | 5         | 6         | 12        |
| 1985-86      | (3rd Div 3)  | 46         | 13        | 7         | 3         | 10        | 8         | 5         |
| 1986-87      | (1st Div 2)  | 42         | 14        | 6         | 1         | 11        | 3         | 7         |
| 1987-88      | (15th Div 1) | 40         | 6         | 7         | 7         | 4         | 6         | 10        |
| 1988-89      | (5th Div 1)  | 38         | 9         | 3         | 7         | 4         | 6         | 10        |
| 1989-90      | (16th Div 1) | 38         | 9         | 1         | 9         | 4         | 6         | 9         |
| 1990-91      | (20th Div 1) | 38         | 3         | 8         | 8         | 2         | 1         | 16        |
| 1991-92      | (3rd Div 2)  | 46         | 11        | 4         | 8         | 12        | 5         | 6         |
| 1992-93      | (8th Div 1*) | 46         | 11        | 2         | 10        | 8         | 7         | 8         |
| 1993-94      |              | 8          | 3         | 0         | 0         | 0         | 2         | 3         |
| <b>TOTAL</b> |              | <b>388</b> | <b>93</b> | <b>45</b> | <b>55</b> | <b>64</b> | <b>48</b> | <b>83</b> |

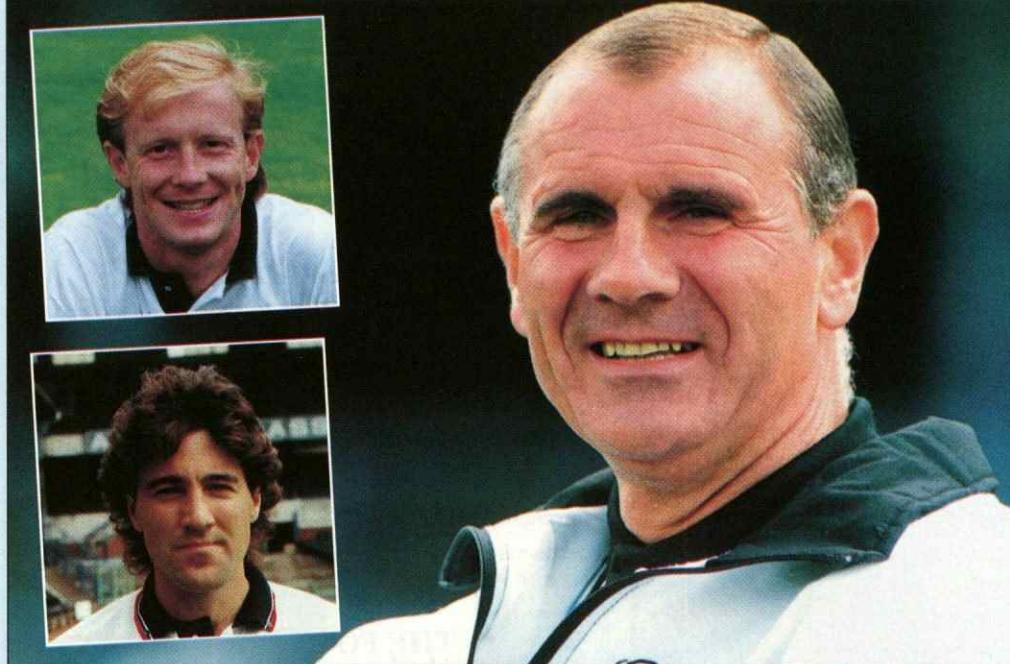


Maxwell family had taken control of the club following its brush with a High Court winding up order the previous season. But, starting with Rob Hindmarch, Charlie Palmer and Eric Steele on free transfers, Arthur began to build a team that would restore the Rams' pride as well as status.

The first season, understandably, was one for stopping the rot and although his team finished seventh in Division Three there was a healthy gap between the Rams and promotion. The following season was a different matter and promotion was secured, behind Plymouth Argyle and Reading, with an emotions-packed victory over Rotherham United, one game from the end of the campaign.

Twelve months later and the Baseball Ground was celebrating again. This time the prize was far bigger because not only had the Rams regained their place in the First Division, they had achieved it as elegant champions.

It was time to call up the big guns and when Robert Maxwell installed himself as chairman, went public over his ambitions for the club and then claimed centre stage when first Peter Shilton and then Mark Wright



RAMS PICTURE POWER  
Arthur Cox with two of his most famous signings; Mark Wright and Dean Saunders

arrived at the Club, supporters felt that the good times were just around the corner once again.

The truth is that Peter Shilton, then the unrivalled England goalkeeper, and Mark Wright signed as much for who was Derby County's manager as for the status of the club itself. Arthur's reputation in the game is second to none when it comes to giving a budding star the final polish and it wasn't long before other big names were arriving at the Baseball Ground, sometimes at the expense of larger and more influential clubs.

Like the arrival of Paul Goddard from Newcastle in the summer of 1988. 'Sarge' turned down Liverpool when they stepped in with a late bid because he had told Arthur Cox that he would sign for Derby County.

And an inspired signing that proved to be, especially when Dean Saunders was linked alongside him as the Rams' first £1million player. In only

his fifth year at the helm, Arthur Cox had put together a team worthy of a top five finish in the First Division and had hardly put a single foot wrong in doing so.

Perhaps if he had parted from the Baseball Ground then we would all now be recalling his work here with even greater admiration. The constraints put on his managerial duties at the end of Robert Maxwell's interest in the club together with the lack of instant success following the recent influx of big money signings has perhaps taken the full lustre of what Arthur Cox achieved for Derby County.

Brian Fearn said last week that he feared latter day supporters did not fully appreciate what Arthur had done for this club. In my opinion, if there is one thing they should acknowledge above all else, it would be his unstinting honour to Derby County, through which Derby County regained its dignity.

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### RAMS MANAGERS

|                 |         |
|-----------------|---------|
| Harry Newbould  | 1900-06 |
| Jimmy Methven   | 1906-22 |
| Cecil Potter    | 1922-25 |
| George Jobey    | 1925-41 |
| Ted Manger      | 1944-46 |
| Stuart McMillan | 1946-53 |
| Jack Barker     | 1953-55 |
| Harry Storer    | 1955-62 |
| Tim Ward        | 1962-67 |
| Brian Clough    | 1967-73 |
| Dave Mackay     | 1973-76 |
| Colin Murphy    | 1976-77 |
| Tommy Docherty  | 1977-79 |
| Colin Addison   | 1979-82 |
| John Newman     | 1982    |
| Peter Taylor    | 1982-84 |
| Roy McFarland   | 1984    |
| Arthur Cox      | 1984-93 |
| Roy McFarland   | 1993-   |

Arthur Cox's rein as manager of Derby County is the longest since the Second World War. Before the War, George Jobey and Jimmy Methven each enjoyed 16 year stints in the Baseball Ground hot-seat.



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Becoming the proud owner of a loud Coca-Cola Man-of-the-Match bomber jacket was the only obvious evidence that Mark Pembridge had had a tremendous game against Exeter City here on Wednesday night.

The little Welshman, forever the diplomat, steadfastly refused to give himself the pat on the back his all-action midfield display deserved.

Perhaps it was because he had been unleashed from his wide right role to stalk the central areas that he preferred to just let his display do the talking. Mark is not one to ruffle feathers.

Except, it would seem, those from the opposition's camp. Certainly all those who witnessed his powerhouse game against Alan Ball's Exeter City side will verify that the Second Division side had no answer to his performance.

"It was probably the best I've played for a while," Mark told Rams Magazine after a good deal of probing. "I loved playing in the game, but then I always like to play football, and the most important thing as far as I am concerned is that we won the game.

"I'm just happy to be in the team no matter what shirt I wear or what position I play in. I would perhaps prefer to play in the middle because that is what I'm used to.

"Playing wide on the right or left means that I have to rely on other people in giving me the ball whereas in the middle you can get knock-downs and win the ball for yourself.

"Most of the play tends to be in the middle of the pitch and, like any player, I want to be where

the action is. But football is a team game and I am happy to be playing wherever the manager tells me to."

Of course Mark has plenty to motivate him at the moment. The current suspension to captain Martin Kuhl has provided an opportunity for Pem to move back inside and he looks intent on giving new boss Roy McFarland another string to his selection bow.

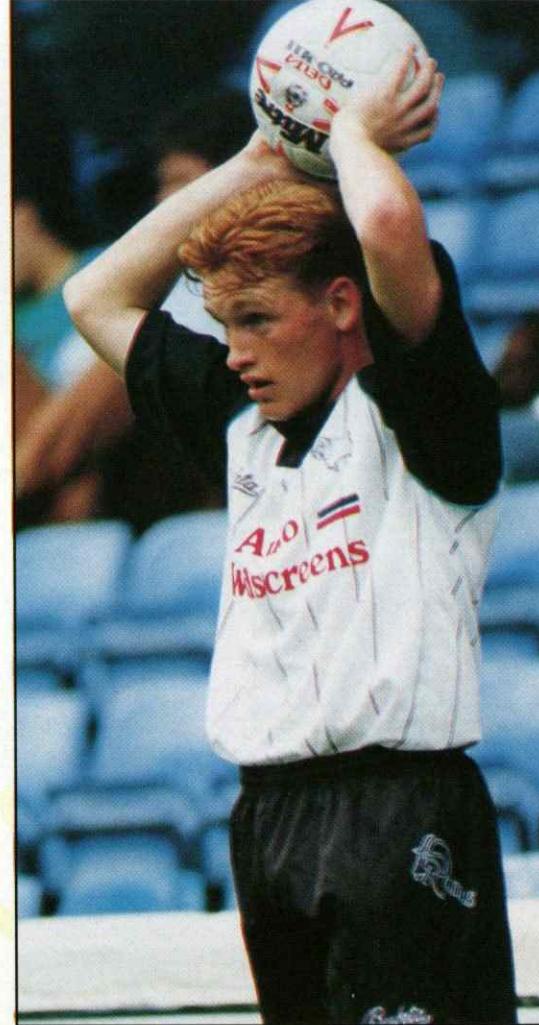
He also has a point to prove on the international scene. Having been a regular fixture in the senior Wales squad throughout their current World Cup qualifying programme, he finds himself out of Terry Yorath's 18 man squad for the crucial Arms Park clash with Cyprus on Wednesday evening.

Like all of the recent Welsh players that have been at Derby - George Williams and Dean Saunders particularly - Mark wears the dragon close to his heart is obviously disappointed to have been left out this time.

"I've always been involved throughout the campaign and I don't know why I have been left out this time," he explained.

"It's a big disappointment because any player wants to represent his country, especially as Wales are in with a chance of going to the World Cup finals. In the papers it is all England, England, England and nothing about Wales so hopefully we can qualify for America and get the recognition we deserve.

"I want to be part of that but all I can do to get back in is play well for Derby County. Derby is my bread and butter and always comes first. If I play well here then anything else is a bonus."

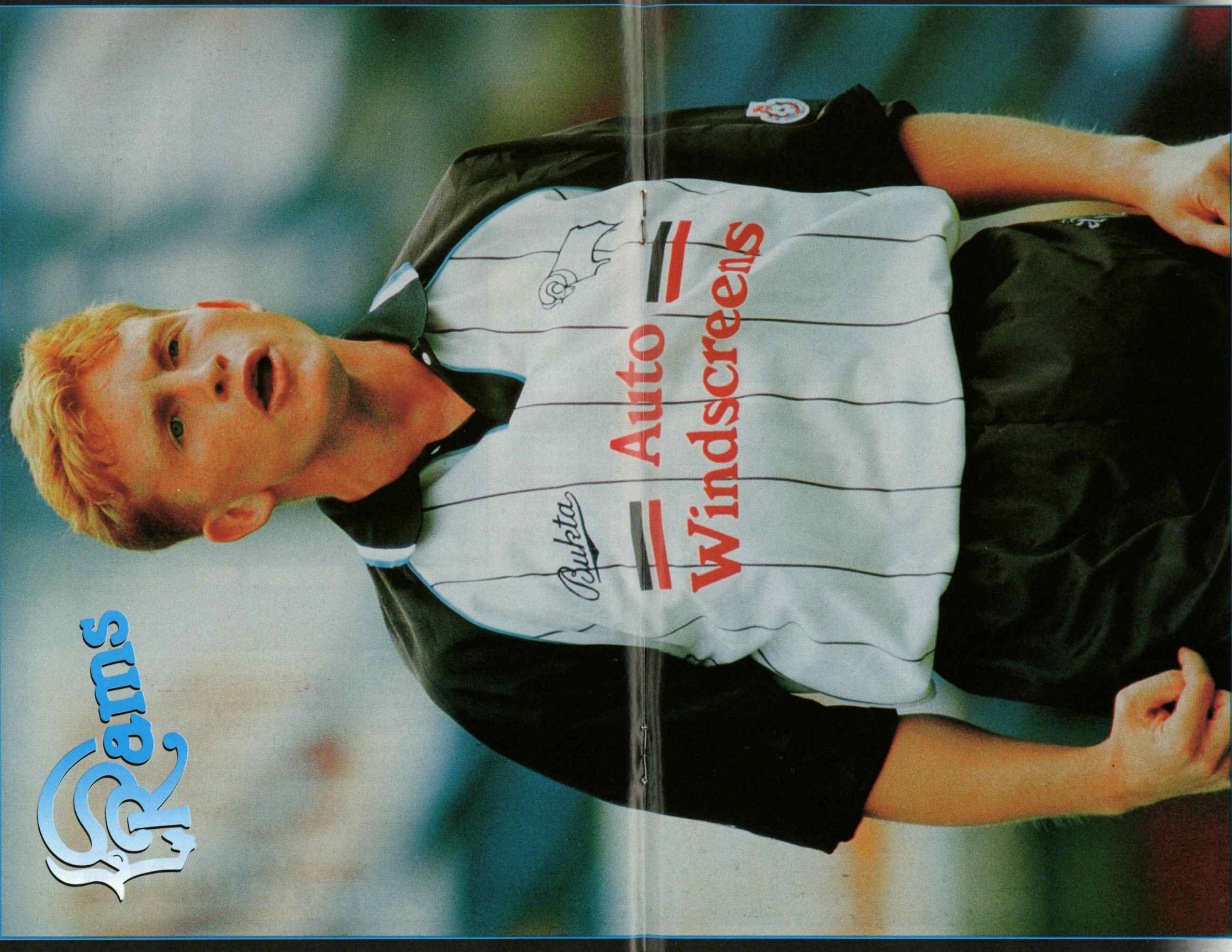


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**Mark Pembridge profile**

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# Double DUTCH

**d Gouloze may be a Dutchman caught up in all of the England World Cup hype but for him there can be only one winner from Wednesday's big show-down... And that's Holland.**

's reserve midfield player, signed from Dutch club Herenveen last season, that his fellow countrymen will prove to be strong for England on day and will secure the result that virtually books their ticket for America

It's not just because he thinks that Holland are a better team than ; he also believes that some of his country's aging stars will see this as a chance of qualifying for the World Cup finals and that will spur them

of good Dutch players like Koeman, Wouters and Rijkaard probably be around for 1998 so they will be desperate to qualify for these finals," told Rams Magazine.

that could be just what they need to spur them on. If everyone in the de is sharp on the night, they will be able to beat any English team that Taylor can put out - and that includes Gazza."

Gascoigne is suspended for the Holland game following his booking

the impressive 3-0 win over at Wembley last month but, according to Richard, the Dutch media now whether that is a good or bad.

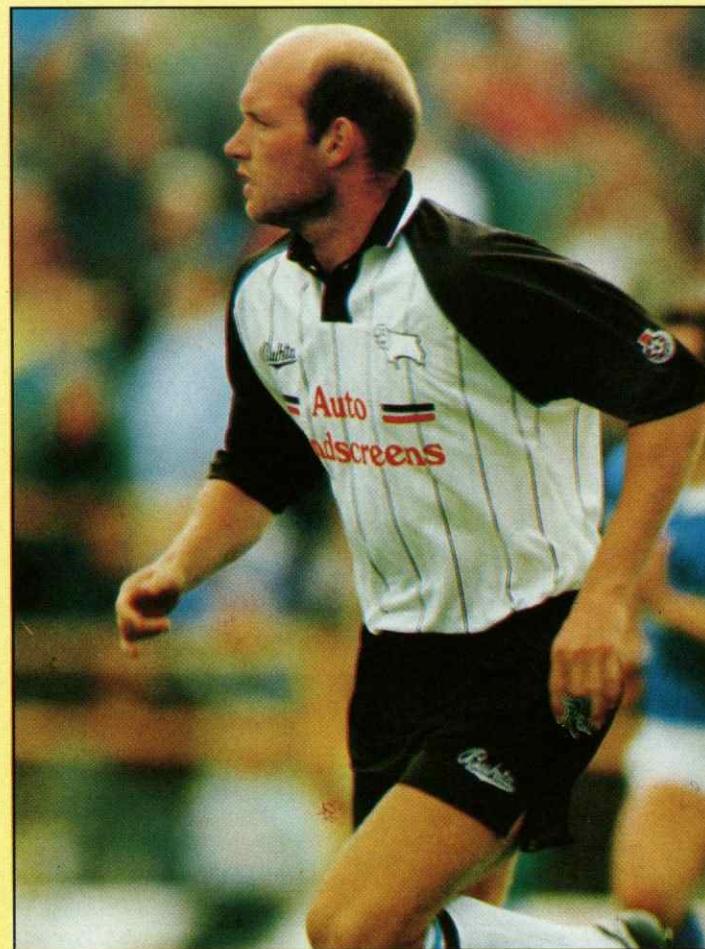
can't decide whether they are about Gazza being out or not. One hand they are pleased

he can be a very good player, the other hand they think he is tent and doesn't work very well for the team.

uth, there isn't as much hype in about the game as there is in fact the players they really fear Ferdinand and Alan Shearer but has been out for a long time don't know if he will be really

rd believes that both England land would grace the finals in but they only have themselves e for allowing Norway to grab the two qualification places. es the two country's with a show-down confrontation to who will join Norway and reckons he'll be the one with best smile on his face when the ort for training next Thursday j.

Harkes took the lads to the over the Ryder Cup result. "It's my turn to put the knife in!" chard.



**Richard Gouloze is looking forward to a Dutch treat**

Throughout the inevitable upheaval caused by a change in team manager one thing has remained constant - the commitment of Derby's players towards gaining promotion.

The playing squad, who were told of Arthur Cox's decision to step down due to ill health by chairman Brian Fearn at their hotel last Saturday night, admit to being shocked by the news, but are now fully behind new boss Roy McFarland.

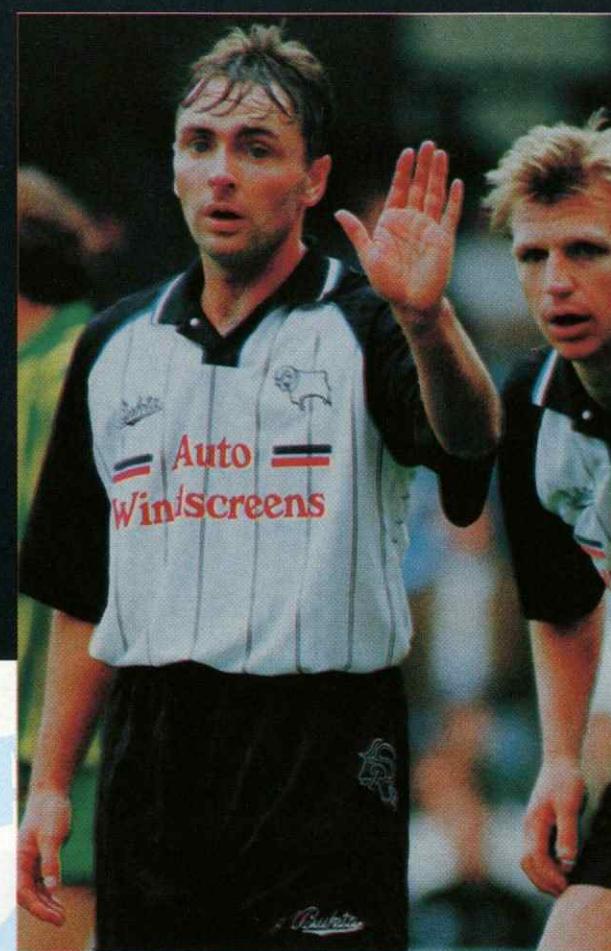
Marco Gabbiadini, the first player signed by Arthur Cox after the arrival of Lionel Pickering, spoke for the entire squad when he said: "Although the manager has changed, our priorities haven't, and we'll all be

working very hard for Roy McFarland.

"All of us were brought here by Arthur Cox so we owe him a great debt, especially me because I was going through a bit of a nightmare at Crystal Palace and he rescued me, so to speak.

"All of us in the dressing room send him our best regards and wish him a swift recovery. He is still with us in spirit and I'm sure, as soon as his injury clears up, we'll be seeing a lot more of him in the flesh too.

"This is the first time I've been at a club where the manager has changed and it is a funny situation. But players should want to be successful for themselves as much for their manager."



**RAMS PICTURE POWER** Paul Simpson pledges his allegiance!

## MURPHY'S LAW?

It is probably down to one of the many sections of Murphy's Law, but as soon as we started to blow the trumpet about the Rams Baseball Ground clean sheet record it ended!

Having gone 504 minutes without conceding a League goal at the Baseball Ground before West Brom arrived last weekend, Martin Taylor added a further 52 minutes to his shut-out record before conceding three in the space of a quarter of an hour.

"Well I always knew that it had to end sometime," admitted Martin. "I suppose we should be happy that it ended in a game when we scored five."

The defence was back to its vigilant best against Exeter in midweek with another shut-out. The clean sheet clock is ticking again...

## JOSIE MOVES PAST THE CENTURY MARK

**Paul Williams reached a century of League appearances in the televised game against West Bromwich Albion last weekend, although he needs another three games to move into three figures for Derby County.**

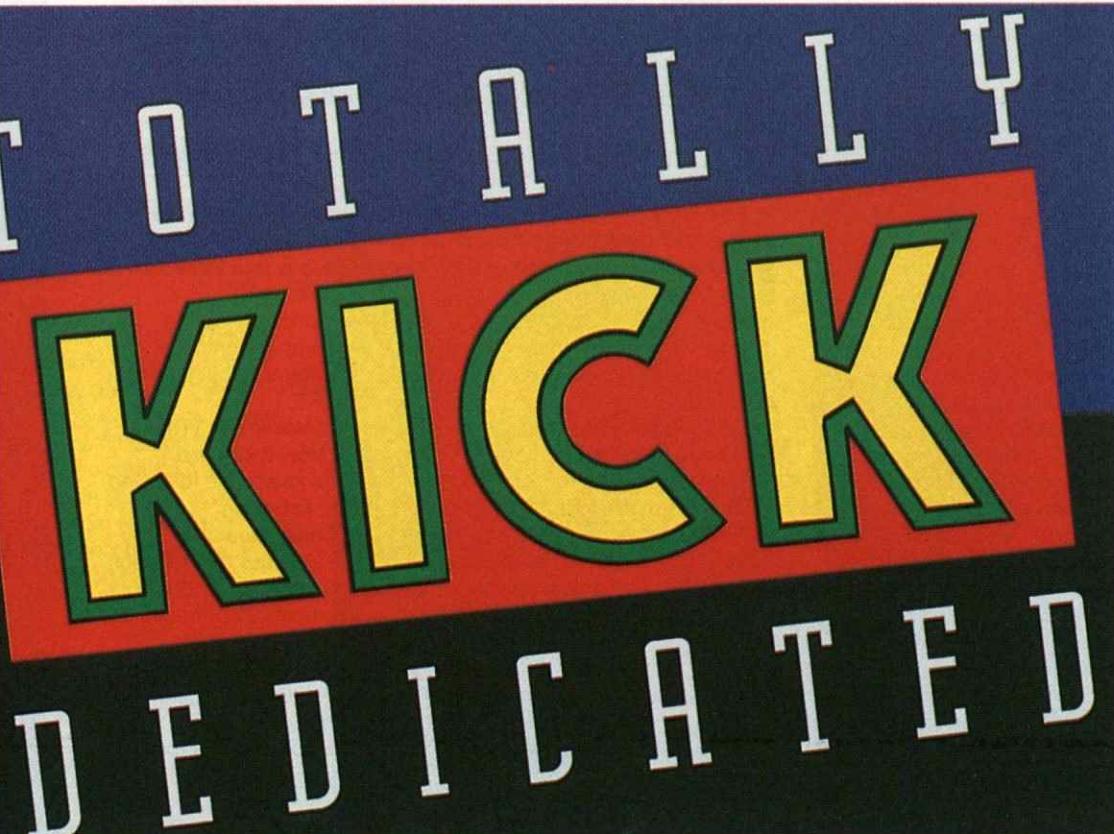
That's because Paul was given his League chance on loan to Lincoln City, playing three games for the Red Imps at right back during the 1989-90 season, before making his Rams debut later that term.

His League bow came against Gillingham on November 11th 1989, unfortunately he finished on the losing side. Paul's first League appearance for the Rams was at Crystal Palace the following March when he came on a substitute for Mark Patterson.

Appropriately, his 100th League game for Derby should fall against Crystal Palace here in two weeks time - injuries and selection permitting - and, coincidentally, his first League goal was scored against today's opponents Luton Town on the final day of the 89-90 campaign.

Other players approaching statistical milestones include Darren Wassall, who is four games short of his half century for Derby, and Marco Gabbiadini and Simon Coleman, whose appearances for the Rams are both in the nineties

Creating The future Together...



By the start of October, the attraction of seeing Derby County in action was becoming a lure to supporters up and down the country with Ayresome Park's biggest crowd of the season turning up to see the Rams' clash with Middlesbrough.

It turned out to be a hard game and ended in a goalless draw, with the Rams having great difficulty in breaking down a Middlesbrough defence that employed a man-for-man marking system.

The tackling was hard and the Rams' trainer, Jack Burkitt, was in constant action, particularly in treating the forwards. The point gained, however, was a valuable one as it took Derby to fourth in the table, just one point behind leaders Charlton Athletic.

And, as if to confirm Derby County's arrival as serious contenders, The Sun newspaper dedicated a series of articles during the following week charting the rise to fame. It was also divulged that the club was to erect a new stand on the Popular Side of the ground at an estimated cost of more than £150,000.

Things were looking up on the field as well as off it but, having gone 11 games undefeated, the inevitable turn around came just as the Rams were in the spotlight. A crowd of 24,307 at Boothferry Park saw a rare mistake by Dave Mackay offer victory to Hull.

The goal came about when the former Spurs man failed to intercept a pass from Houghton to Butler, who then rounded Webster before beating Green for the game's only goal. It was only the third defeat in 13 League games, but rather worryingly, the Rams had scored

## A week in THE SUN!

In his blow-by-blow account of the season 25 years ago that set the Rams on their way towards unprecedented success, MIKE WILSON reflects on early October 1968 when people were just starting to take notice of the rise of Brian Clough's exciting young team at Derby. So much so, even

The Sun started to write about us....

only three times in seven away games.

A crowd of more than 27,000 saw the next home fixture against Preston North End and some attending may have thought the bubble had burst for Derby when Irvine headed in for Preston inside the first four minutes. The effort was ruled out, however, due to off-side.

Even so, the Rams had to withstand the early pressure, but eased things when they took the lead in 18 minutes. Hinton was played clear by a pass from Walker and went on to dribble round the advancing goalkeeper and place the ball in to the empty net.

The Rams were playing against the wind in the second half and found difficulty in playing their fluent football. The score remained 1-0 and Derby kept their top four place, behind new leaders Hull.

Goodison Park was the venue on October 16th for the League Cup fourth round tie with Everton, the Rams' stilled buoyed by their third round

triumph over the mighty Chelsea.

After the Toffees' initial onslaught, Derby settled to match them with the quality of their football. The pace and close control of Hector was causing Kabone and Kendall uneasy moments, while Ball, Royle and Morrissey were getting little change from the Rams' defence.

Mackay appeared to slip as he delivered a tackle on Husband, who was caught rather high, and took no further part in the game. There were no goals and interest switched to the replay to come.

The 15th League game took the Rams to Fratton Park. Walker was injured so O'Hare switched to the flank with Barker coming into the side.

The Rams soon dominated the game and it was surprising that it took them 30 minutes to gain the lead. Hector fastened onto a pass from Barker and sprinted through to power a shot into the net.

Once again that was all that was required for victory. Another single goal game gave Derby the points needed to move into the top three and leaders Middlesbrough were now their next target.

### HOW THE HATTERS GOT ON 25 YEARS AGO...

Luton Town were on the way up 25 years ago too, taking over the leadership of the Third Division following a 3-0 home win over Hartlepool. Laurie Sheffield, Bruce Rioch and Brian Lowie were their goalscorers.

## FOOTBALL LEAGUE DIVISION ONE

|                     | P  | W | D | L | F  | A  | W | D | L | F  | A  | Pt |
|---------------------|----|---|---|---|----|----|---|---|---|----|----|----|
| Crystal Palace      | 9  | 4 | 1 | 0 | 12 | 2  | 2 | 1 | 1 | 8  | 5  | 20 |
| Tranmere Rovers     | 10 | 4 | 0 | 1 | 10 | 5  | 2 | 2 | 1 | 5  | 5  | 20 |
| Leicester City      | 9  | 3 | 1 | 0 | 10 | 4  | 3 | 0 | 2 | 6  | 5  | 19 |
| Middlesbrough       | 10 | 2 | 2 | 1 | 8  | 4  | 3 | 1 | 1 | 11 | 7  | 18 |
| Charlton Athletic   | 10 | 3 | 2 | 0 | 7  | 1  | 1 | 3 | 1 | 5  | 8  | 17 |
| Southend United     | 9  | 2 | 1 | 1 | 6  | 3  | 2 | 1 | 2 | 9  | 7  | 14 |
| Derby County        | 9  | 4 | 0 | 0 | 13 | 3  | 0 | 2 | 3 | 2  | 11 | 14 |
| Bristol City        | 10 | 3 | 1 | 1 | 7  | 4  | 1 | 1 | 3 | 5  | 8  | 14 |
| Grimsby Town        | 10 | 1 | 4 | 0 | 5  | 3  | 1 | 3 | 1 | 10 | 11 | 13 |
| Wolves              | 10 | 2 | 2 | 1 | 9  | 6  | 1 | 1 | 3 | 6  | 8  | 12 |
| Watford             | 9  | 2 | 2 | 1 | 7  | 6  | 1 | 1 | 2 | 7  | 10 | 12 |
| Millwall            | 9  | 2 | 1 | 1 | 7  | 5  | 1 | 2 | 2 | 2  | 7  | 12 |
| Birmingham City     | 9  | 1 | 3 | 1 | 9  | 8  | 1 | 2 | 1 | 6  | 6  | 11 |
| Stoke City          | 9  | 1 | 0 | 3 | 3  | 5  | 2 | 2 | 1 | 10 | 11 | 11 |
| Portsmouth          | 10 | 2 | 2 | 1 | 7  | 6  | 0 | 3 | 2 | 6  | 11 | 11 |
| Bolton Wanderers    | 8  | 2 | 1 | 1 | 7  | 6  | 1 | 1 | 2 | 2  | 5  | 11 |
| Notts County        | 8  | 3 | 0 | 1 | 8  | 4  | 0 | 1 | 3 | 5  | 10 | 10 |
| Barnsley            | 10 | 1 | 1 | 3 | 5  | 9  | 2 | 0 | 3 | 6  | 11 | 10 |
| Nottingham Forest   | 9  | 1 | 2 | 1 | 9  | 8  | 1 | 1 | 3 | 6  | 9  | 9  |
| West Bromwich       | 9  | 2 | 2 | 1 | 10 | 10 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 3  | 4  | 8  |
| Luton Town          | 9  | 2 | 0 | 3 | 8  | 7  | 0 | 2 | 2 | 2  | 6  | 8  |
| Peterborough United | 9  | 2 | 2 | 1 | 9  | 5  | 0 | 0 | 4 | 1  | 9  | 8  |
| Sunderland          | 8  | 2 | 1 | 1 | 8  | 4  | 0 | 1 | 3 | 1  | 8  | 8  |
| Oxford United       | 8  | 2 | 1 | 1 | 11 | 9  | 0 | 0 | 4 | 2  | 9  | 7  |

## FIRST TEAM ROLL CALL 1993-94

|                  | 93-94 League Apps | 93-94 Cups Apps | Derby Total Apps |
|------------------|-------------------|-----------------|------------------|
|                  | Gls               | Gls             | Gls              |
| Gary Charles     | 9                 | -               | 13               |
| Simon Coleman    | 1                 | -               | 83(9)            |
| Michael Forsyth  | 9                 | 1               | 355              |
| Marco Gabbiadini | 9                 | 4               | 93(3)            |
| Richard Goulooze | -                 | -               | 11(6)            |
| John Harkes      | 4(1)              | 2               | 6(1)             |
| Steve Hayward    | -                 | -               | 13(13)           |
| Tommy Johnson    | 1(3)              | 1               | 67(5)            |
| Jason Kavanagh   | (1)               | (1)             | 50(14)           |
| Paul Kitson      | 9                 | 2               | 88               |
| Martin Kuhl      | 9                 | -               | 52               |
| Shane Nicholson  | -                 | -               | 20               |
| Mark Pembridge   | 7                 | 3               | 69               |
| Craig Ramage     | 1                 | -               | 40(11)           |
| Steve Round      | -                 | -               | 8(1)             |
| Craig Short      | 9                 | 2               | 60               |
| Paul Simpson     | 6                 | 2               | 68(6)            |
| Mark Stallard    | -                 | -               | 5(7)             |
| Dean Sturridge   | -                 | -               | 9(2)             |
| Steve Sutton     | -                 | -               | 64               |
| Martin Taylor    | 9                 | -               | 58               |
| Darren Wassall   | 8                 | -               | 47               |
| Paul Williams    | 8                 | -               | 111(5)           |

KEY: CCC: Coca-Cola Cup

AIC: Anglo-Italian Cup

## RAMS v SPURS

## APPEARANCES, GOALSCORERS AND SUBSTITUTES SEASON 1993-94

| Date   | V | Opponents             | Res | Att    | Pos | Goalkeeper |
|--------|---|-----------------------|-----|--------|-----|------------|
| Aug 14 | H | Sunderland            | 5-0 | 18,072 | 1   | Taylor     |
| Aug 18 | A | Nottingham Forest     | 1-1 | 26,684 | 2   | Taylor     |
| Aug 21 | A | Middlesbrough         | 0-3 | 15,138 | 4   | Taylor     |
| Aug 28 | H | Bristol City          | 1-0 | 15,643 | 7   | Taylor     |
| Aug 31 | A | Notts County (AIC)    | 2-3 | 3,276  | -   | Taylor     |
| Sep 4  | A | Birmingham City       | 0-3 | 14,582 | 9   | Taylor     |
| Sep 8  | H | Nott Forest (AIC)     | 3-2 | 6,654  | -   | Taylor     |
| Sep 11 | H | Peterborough Utd      | 2-0 | 14,779 | 6   | Taylor     |
| Sep 18 | A | Millwall              | 0-0 | 9,881  | 9   | Taylor     |
| Sep 22 | A | Exeter City (CCC 2/2) | 3-1 | 5,634  | -   | Taylor     |
| Sep 25 | A | Notts County          | 1-4 | 11,005 | 11  | Taylor     |
| Oct 3  | H | West Brom Albion      | 5-3 | 13,370 | 7   | Taylor     |
| Oct 6  | H | Exeter City (CCC 2/2) | 2-0 | 10,569 | -   | Taylor     |

| 2       | 3       | 4    | 5                  | 6       | 7       | 8        | 9                   | 10                    | 11                    | Sub                  | Sub         | Res keeper |
|---------|---------|------|--------------------|---------|---------|----------|---------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|----------------------|-------------|------------|
| Charles | Forsyth | Kuhl | Short <sup>1</sup> | Wassall | Simpson | Williams | Kitson <sup>1</sup> | Gab'dini <sup>1</sup> | Pembr'ge <sup>2</sup> | Johnson              | Kavanagh    | Sutton     |
| Charles | Forsyth | Kuhl | Short              | Wassall | Harkes  | Williams | Kitson              | Gabbiadini            | Pemb're               | Johnson(8)           | Kavanagh(9) | Sutton     |
| Charles | Forsyth | Kuhl | Short              | Wassall | Harkes  | Ramage   | Kitson              | Gab'dini <sup>1</sup> | Pemb're               | Johnson <sup>1</sup> | Simpson     | Sutton     |
| Charles | Forsyth | Kuhl | Short              | Wassall | Harkes  | Williams | Kitson              | Stallard              | Kavanagh              | Johnson              | Kavanagh    | Sutton     |
| Charles | Forsyth | Kuhl | Short              | Wassall | Harkes  | Williams | Kitson              | Gabbiadini            | Simpson               | Johnson(10)          | Kavanagh    | Sutton     |
| Charles | Forsyth | Kuhl | Short              | Wassall | Harkes  | Williams | Kitson <sup>1</sup> | Gab'dini <sup>1</sup> | Pembr'ge <sup>2</sup> | Johnson(10)          | Harkes(8)   | Sutton     |
| Charles | Forsyth | Kuhl | Short <sup>1</sup> | Wassall | Harkes  | Williams | Kitson              | Gab'dini <sup>1</sup> | Simpson               | Johnson(8)           | Kavanagh(2) | Sutton     |

## COCA-COLA CUP THIRD ROUND

## DERBY COUNTY vs TOTTENHAM HOTSPUR

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 27th 1993. KICK-OFF: 7.45pm  
ALL-TICKET GAME

### SEASON TICKET HOLDERS

Season Ticket holders will be admitted to their usual areas on production of Cup Voucher 2.

### GENERAL TICKET AVAILABILITY

Tickets for all areas of the ground will go on sale directly after today's game against Luton and will be sold on the following basis only:-

1. Supporters in possession of a match ticket stub from any Derby County 1993-94 home game (one ticket per stub).
2. Supporters producing Rams Magazine vouchers numbered 1-7, one ticket per complete set of vouchers.
3. Derby County Season Ticket holders may apply for an additional ticket if required, one ticket per season ticket holder.

Tickets will be sold on a first come, first served basis and no guarantee of availability can be given so please apply early. No telephone credit card bookings will be accepted for this fixture. Postal applications will be accepted from voucher holders only, the correct remittance must be included together with an SAE for the return of tickets.

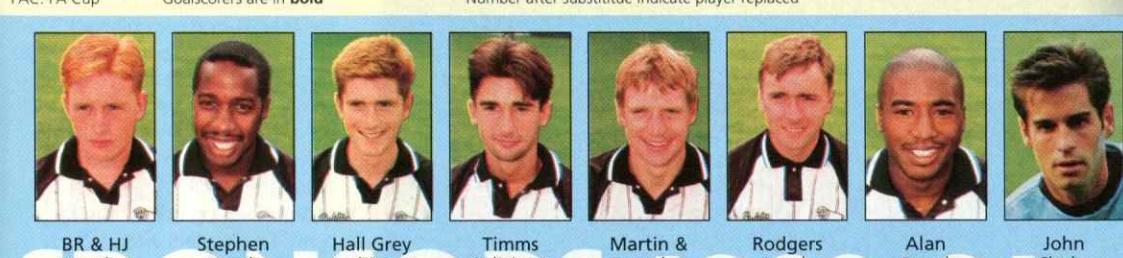
### TICKET PRICING STRUCTURE

Normal League pricing levels will apply with reserved seats available at £9, £10 & £11 (Concessions £6); unreserved seats at £7 and Popular Side Terrace at £6 (£3 juveniles). Trent FM Family Enclosure £6 for adults £4 for juveniles (members only).

FAC: FA Cup

Goalscorers are in **bold**

Number after substitute indicate player replaced



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**FOR THE RECORD**  
**First Team Statistics**

**PONTINS LEAGUE  
DIVISION ONE**

**PURITY MIDLAND  
YOUTH LEAGUE**

|        |   |                  |     |        |       |                    |     |
|--------|---|------------------|-----|--------|-------|--------------------|-----|
| Aug 19 | H | Leicester City   | 1-3 | Aug 7  | A     | Walsall            | 2-2 |
| Aug 25 | A | Leeds United     | 1-2 | Aug 14 | H     | West Brom          | 4-0 |
| Sep 9  | A | Coventry City    | 2-1 | Aug 21 | A     | Aston Villa        | 4-2 |
| Sep 14 | H | Blackburn Rovs   | 1-3 | Aug 28 | H     | Birmingham City    | 3-2 |
| Sep 23 | H | Notts County     | 3-1 | Sep 4  | A     | Coventry City      | 6-4 |
| Sep 28 | A | Sheffield United | 3-3 | Sep 11 | H     | Wolves             | 1-2 |
| Oct 7  | A | Nottingham For   |     | Sep 18 | H     | Grimsby Town       | 2-0 |
| Oct 12 | H | Liverpool        |     | Sep 25 | A     | Leicester City     | 2-0 |
| Oct 19 | A | Sheffield Wed    |     | Oct 2  | A     | Lincoln City       | 2-1 |
| Oct 28 | H | Sunderland       |     | Oct 9  | A     | Mansfield Town     |     |
| Nov 3  | H | Newcastle Utd    |     | Oct 16 | H     | Peterboro' U (LC2) |     |
| Nov 10 | A | Wolves           |     | Oct 23 | A     | Notts County       |     |
| Nov 17 | A | York City        |     | Oct 30 | H     | Coventry City      |     |
| Nov 23 | H | Aston Villa      |     | Nov 6  | H     | Nottingham For     |     |
| Nov 30 | H | Manchester Utd   |     | Nov 13 | A     | Peterborough U     |     |
| Dec 7  | A | Everton          |     | Nov 20 | (LC3) |                    |     |
| Dec 14 | H | Leeds United     |     | Nov 27 | A     | Shrewsbury Town    |     |
| Jan 5  | A | Bolton Wand's    |     | Dec 4  | H     | Northampton Tn     |     |
| Jan 13 | A | Liverpool        |     | Dec 11 | H     | Stoke City         |     |
| Jan 18 | H | Nottingham For   |     | Dec 18 | A     | Stoke City         |     |
| Jan 26 | A | Sunderland       |     | Jan 8  | H     | Walsall            |     |
| Feb 1  | H | Sheffield Wed    |     | Jan 29 | H     | Aston Villa        |     |
| Feb 9  | A | Blackburn Rov's  |     | Feb 5  | A     | Birmingham City    |     |
| Feb 15 | H | Coventry City    |     | Feb 12 | A     | Wolves             |     |
| Mar 1  | H | Everton          |     | Feb 19 | A     | Grimsby Town       |     |
| Mar 9  | A | Manchester Utd   |     | Feb 26 | H     | Leicester City     |     |
| Mar 17 | A | Notts County     |     | Mar 5  | H     | Lincoln City       |     |
| Mar 22 | H | Sheffield Utd    |     | Mar 12 | H     | Port Vale          |     |
| Mar 30 | H | Bolton Wand      |     | Mar 19 | H     | Mansfield Town     |     |
| Apr 13 | A | Newcastle Utd    |     | Mar 26 | A     | Northampton Tn     |     |
| Apr 19 | H | Wolves           |     | Apr 2  | H     | Notts County       |     |
| Apr 27 | A | Aston Villa      |     | Apr 9  | A     | Nottingham For     |     |
| May 3  | H | York City        |     | Apr 16 | H     | Peterborough U     |     |
| May 11 | A | Leicester City   |     | Apr 23 | A     | Port Vale          |     |
|        |   |                  |     | Apr 30 | H     | Shrewsbury Town    |     |
|        |   |                  |     | May 7  | A     | West Brom          |     |

**93-94 LEAGUE TABLE**

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|             | P | W | D | L | F  | APts |    | P           | W | D | L | F | APts |    |    |
|-------------|---|---|---|---|----|------|----|-------------|---|---|---|---|------|----|----|
| Man Utd     | 6 | 6 | 0 | 0 | 19 | 8    | 18 | DERBY       | 9 | 7 | 1 | 1 | 26   | 17 | 22 |
| Aston Villa | 5 | 4 | 0 | 1 | 8  | 3    | 12 | Notts Cnty  | 7 | 7 | 0 | 0 | 19   | 2  | 21 |
| Sheffield U | 6 | 3 | 2 | 1 | 16 | 7    | 11 | Stoke City  | 8 | 5 | 1 | 2 | 25   | 12 | 16 |
| Blackburn   | 6 | 3 | 1 | 2 | 8  | 6    | 10 | Mansfield   | 9 | 5 | 1 | 2 | 25   | 12 | 16 |
| Leeds       | 6 | 3 | 1 | 2 | 8  | 6    | 10 | Birmingham  | 6 | 4 | 1 | 1 | 13   | 6  | 13 |
| Wolves      | 5 | 3 | 0 | 2 | 6  | 6    | 9  | Nottm For   | 7 | 4 | 1 | 2 | 13   | 12 | 13 |
| Liverpool   | 5 | 2 | 2 | 1 | 12 | 9    | 8  | Peterboro   | 7 | 4 | 0 | 3 | 15   | 12 | 12 |
| Leicester   | 6 | 2 | 1 | 3 | 11 | 11   | 7  | Leicester   | 8 | 3 | 2 | 3 | 11   | 11 | 11 |
| Sunderland  | 4 | 2 | 1 | 1 | 8  | 8    | 7  | Coventry    | 6 | 3 | 0 | 3 | 20   | 19 | 9  |
| Notts Cnty  | 5 | 2 | 1 | 2 | 5  | 9    | 7  | North'pton  | 5 | 2 | 2 | 1 | 8    | 4  | 8  |
| Bolton      | 5 | 1 | 3 | 1 | 9  | 9    | 6  | Grimsby     | 7 | 2 | 2 | 3 | 10   | 12 | 8  |
| DERBY       | 5 | 2 | 0 | 3 | 8  | 10   | 6  | West Brom   | 7 | 2 | 2 | 3 | 8    | 14 | 8  |
| Newcastle   | 4 | 1 | 2 | 1 | 4  | 4    | 5  | Wolves      | 7 | 2 | 1 | 4 | 9    | 12 | 7  |
| Everton     | 5 | 1 | 1 | 3 | 9  | 11   | 4  | Aston Villa | 8 | 1 | 2 | 5 | 12   | 16 | 5  |
| Sheffield W | 5 | 1 | 1 | 3 | 4  | 6    | 4  | Walsall     | 7 | 1 | 2 | 4 | 8    | 13 | 5  |
| Coventry    | 3 | 1 | 0 | 2 | 3  | 7    | 3  | Port Vale   | 6 | 1 | 2 | 3 | 6    | 15 | 5  |
| Nottm For   | 5 | 1 | 0 | 4 | 4  | 9    | 3  | Lincoln     | 8 | 1 | 1 | 6 | 12   | 26 | 4  |
| York        | 6 | 0 | 0 | 6 | 4  | 18   | 0  | Shrewsbury  | 9 | 0 | 1 | 8 | 6    | 22 | 1  |

Follow the Rams Reserves on Clubcall this season

The football-speak phrase of "a game of two halves" has been banded around the Baseball Ground a lot just lately... And not only in connection with last Sunday's win over West Brom.

The reserves' trip to Bramall Lane was another case where fortunes swung dramatically around the half-time interval; in this particular case, away from the Rams and towards the Blades.

Goals from Martyn Chalk and Tommy Johnson had given Derby's Pontins League side a 2-0 half-time advantage but, after the break, Sheffield United stormed back into the game to level things.

Tommy Johnson scored again to regain the advantage but then, just as it looked like a second successive away win was on the cards, United scored a last minute equaliser to share the points in a 3-3 draw.

"It was a disappointment for us to have dropped two points but, once again, I'm sure the experience will prove to be invaluable knowledge for our younger players as to what is required at this level," summarised Roy McFarland.

"The whole game swung on a tactical change made by them at half-time," he explained. "In the first period we were settled at the back, always in control of the game and looking very dangerous up front.

Martyn Chalk scored an outstanding goal when he cut in from the left wing and shot into the corner with his right foot, and our second was good too when Mark Stallard beat two players in taking the ball to the by-line and his pull-back was solidly side-footed home by Tommy.

"We could have more to show from that first half, but things changed in the second when they took off a striker and pushed up one of their central defenders into attack. With his height and their brand of very direct football, it did cause us a few problems.

A last gasp goal from super-sub Brian Johnson secured the win to take Derby County's Youth team to the top of the Purity Midland Youth League.

With less than three minutes to go at struggling Lincoln City last Saturday morning, the Rams youngsters were being held to a 1-1 draw, but then Brian Johnson, who had only come on at half time, broke away to clinch the points with a very well taken goal.

It was Brian Johnson's arrival on the pitch that turned the game around for Derby, after Lincoln had taken a first half lead. They had caught Derby's

"Sadly, when we did get the ball we gave it away again almost as quickly as we got it and that stopped our flow. Although we didn't cave in it did put a lot of pressure on our midfield and back four and we had to defend stoutly."

United pulled the game square, although their second had more than a hint of off-side about it, and looked to be gaining control. But one of their attacks did break down allowing the Rams to counter-attack for Tommy Johnson to score.

"We used the ball very well on that break giving Tommy the chance to smash the ball under the goalie's body from 18 yards out; his trusty left foot doing the honours," continued Roy.

"But we lost the advantage again when, with only seconds to go, we tried to play off-side when they were in possession and paid the penalty when a well timed run from midfield caught us out, the ball being lobbed over Steve Sutton for the equaliser."

## LAST GASP WINNER TAKES BOYS TO THE TOP

under-18 side on an off-day and had taken full advantage.

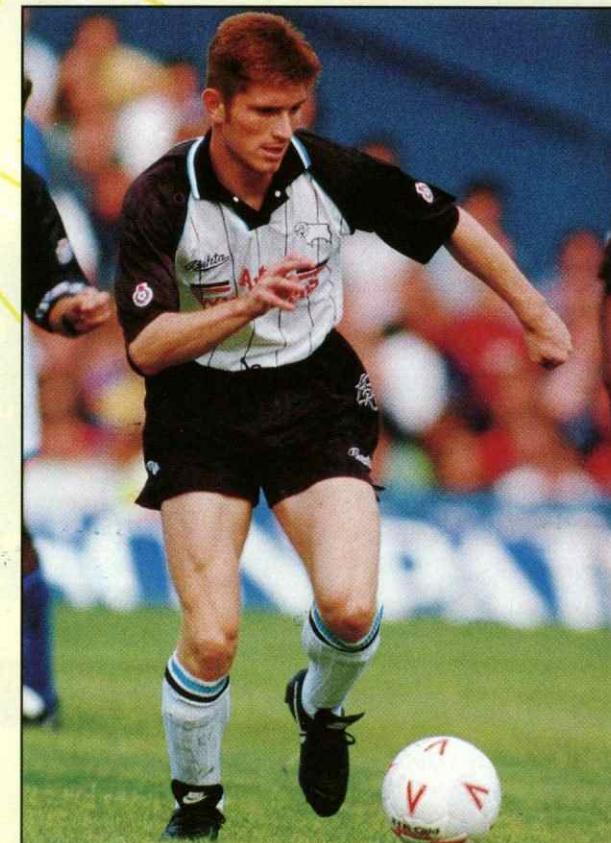
"We just weren't our normal selves, we didn't compete," commented coach Steve Taylor. "We weren't getting the bits and bobs in midfield like we normally do and that prevented us playing our normal game during the first half.

"We made a tactical switch at half-time and Brian made the difference because he held the ball well, bringing in our

midfield and wide players."

With Derby getting more of the ball, the team started to create some pressure and it was no surprise when Chris Henson, making a run from midfield, was brought down in the box for Michael Ward to fire home the penalty.

Then, in order to seize the advantage, on came big defender Will Davies to unsettle the Lincoln back line and that paved the way for the winner.



RAMS PICTURE: Tommy Johnson scored twice at Bramall Lane

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#### DERBY COUNTY SUBSTITUTES

12 Tommy Johnson  
14 Jason Kavanagh  
GK Steve Sutton

#### LUTON TOWN SUBSTITUTES

19 Des Linton  
26 Scott Houghton  
GK Andy Petterson

#### MATCH OFFICIALS

REFEREE: Mr John Kirkby (Sheffield)

LINESMEN: Mr RH Andrews (yellow flag)  
Mr EJ Walsh (yellow & red flag)

RESERVE OFFICIAL: Mr ID Jones

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Dosstar... The official sports drink of Derby County

Luton produced one of their best performances of the season when beating Barnsley 5-0 at Kenilworth Road last Saturday to end a run of 10 games without a win.

Though the visitors were reduced to 10 men after only three minutes, this did not detract from a very fine Luton display that ended with a standing ovation from their supporters.

Manager David Pleat will be hoping that this morale-booster will have persuaded his younger players that they really are good enough to live at this level. And he will be looking for a repeat performance today as the Hatters try to end a very depressing run of away results.

The Hatters have scored only twice in six away League and Cup games this season and they have not won away from home in 14 attempts since last February.

Financial problems have forced Luton to sell many of their best players in



Back row: Tony Thorpe, Jamie Campbell, Juergen Sommer, Andy Petterson, Des Linton, Paul Telfer.

Middle row: John Moore (first team coach), Andy McDade (physio), Scott Oakes, Ceri Hughes, Marvin Johnson, David Greene, Julian James, Terry Westley (youth team coach), Wayne Turner (reserve team coach).

Front row: Jason Rees, Ian Benjamin, Trevor Peake, David Pleat (manager), David Preece, Martin Williams, Richard Harvey.

recent seasons and it is not easy to replace such successful goalscorers as Roy Wegerle, Iain Dowie, Mick Harford and Phil Gray, last season's top scorer with 20 goals.

So Mr Pleat has been trying to cope with inexperienced players in an area where experience, really, is a key factor.

**The only way for players to gain experience is by playing continually and much hope is now being pinned upon the new striking partnership of John Hartson and Martin Williams.**

Both came from the youth team but, whereas Williams played in 22 League matches last season, Hartson has only been blooded this term. Hartson scored his second League goal in last week's victory over Barnsley.

Another young player aiming to make his mark in attack is Jamie Campbell, a former trainee who first made the League side two seasons ago.

Kerry Dixon, on loan from Southampton, certainly has

With experience at a premium, Mr Pleat pulled off an important signing when finalising the transfer of Alan Harper from Everton a few weeks ago. Alan has earned a reputation for his versatility and can play in almost any position.

He started as a reserve player with Liverpool, getting his League chance after joining Everton in 1983. He left for Sheffield Wednesday in 1988 and moved to Manchester City just over a year later before returning to Everton in 1991.

Harper has been partnering Ceri Hughes in the centre of midfield, with Paul Telfer and Scott Oakes playing on the flanks.

Hughes developed in the junior teams, making his League debut against Aston Villa in March 1990, while Telfer is a former Luton trainee who got his League chance three seasons ago too.

Oakes made his League debut for Leicester in 1989, joining Luton in an exchange deal two seasons ago.

Other contenders for midfield

## Meet the HATTERS

Dosstar... The official sports drink of Derby County Football Club

When the Derby played Luton Town at the Baseball Ground in 1990, the Rams were safe in 14th place in the old Barclays League Division One, but Luton were far from secure over the first Division future.

The Hatters were 18th and needed a victory to give them any chance of survival. Even if they won, Sheffield Wednesday had to lose at home to Nottingham Forest for Town to avoid the drop for another year. Around 5,000 Luton supporters made the journey up the M1 and packed the visitors' section behind the Osmaston goal. It wasn't long before they were cheering either as Luton made a dream start. Following a first minute foul by Hindmarch on Dowie, Preece rolled the free-kick square to Tim Breaker whose 20 yard drive tipped into the net before Peter Shilton could even move. It was even better for the Hatters in 18 minutes as they went two up. Ramage was caught in possession by McDonough and, from Wilson's low cross, Black came between Dowie and Sage to score the second goal and send those Luton fans ecstatic.

The Rams made a tactical switch with Wright moving into midfield and Davidson moving into defence and the move pulled a goal back in 29 minutes when Harford headed down Davidson's long clearance for Wright to smash home his sixth goal of the season.

Wright then saw a header tipped over superbly by Alex Chamberlain but the Luton keeper could not stop Derby squaring the game during first-half injury time. Williams was fouled by Wilson and from Forsyth's free-kick Harford headed down for Paul Williams to score with a spectacular volley. It was his first goal for the Rams.

Hebberd replaced Ramage for the second-half and Wright resumed in defence. That move seemed to hand the initiative back to Luton once again and they soon controlled the centre of pitch. Luton's better football earned them a deserved victory with a fortunate goal in 75 minutes. Black saw a shot blocked and his second effort deflected into the net. That gave the Luton army of supporters a hope to cling to and, when the result from Hillsborough came in over a thousand pocket radios, the entire visitors section of the ground exploded into ecstasy as Forest had comfortably seen off Ron Atkinson's Wednesday side.

The paths of Derby County and Luton Town never crossed in League action until 40 years ago, but since then the clubs have met 26 times.

The aggregate score from those games is all square at 34-34, but Luton hold the edge in terms of victories with 12 compared to Derby's nine. Last season, however, the honours were grasped firmly by the Rams, not only through a League win at Kenilworth Road and a Baseball Ground draw, but also through a 5-1 away win the FA Cup.

Luton went ahead through a Paul Telfer goal in that fourth round tie but then the Rams stepped up a gear with former Hatter Mark Pemberton inflicting the most damage on his old side as he

## THE 1990 TEAMS

**DERBY COUNTY:** Shilton; Sage, Forsyth, Williams G, Wright, Hindmarch, Davidson, Saunders, Harford, Williams P, Ramage (Hebberd). Other sub: Francis.

**LUTON TOWN:** Chamberlain; Breaker, McDonough, Beaumont, James (Kennedy), Dreyer, Wilson, Rees (Elstrup), Dowie, Preece, Black.

**REFEREE:** Mr B Stevens  
**ATTENDANCE:** 17,044

positions include Jason Rees, Scott Houghton and David Preece, the last player to score a League goal for the opposition at the Baseball Ground before West Brom's trio last weekend.

Preece was signed from Walsall for £150,000 in 1984 and played in two Wembley League Cup finals for the Hatters, collecting a winners' tankard in 1988. He has also been capped three times by England 'B'.

Rees graduated from the Hatters' youth team and, soon after making his League debut four seasons ago, he won the first of three Wales under-21 caps. He has also played at 'B' level and won his first full international cap when he came on as substitute against Austria in 1992.

Houghton, signed from Tottenham this summer, was limited to 10 appearances in the Spurs' League eleven but he did add to his League experience during loan spells with Ipswich, Gillingham and Charlton.

**At the back, look for the experienced pairing of John Dreyer and Trevor Peake to fill the central defensive roles with Julian James and Marvin Johnson at full-back.**

Dreyer started his professional career with Oxford but, before getting his chance in their senior side, he played on loan with Torquay and Fulham. John enjoyed two seasons as a fixture in the Oxford side before

claimed the first senior hat-trick of his career. The other goals came from Craig Short and Marco Gabbiadini.

The League game there was one of the run of seven consecutive away games won last season with Paul Kitson (2) and Tommy Johnson scoring for Derby and Marvin Johnson getting Luton's goal. The return last April ended 1-1 thanks to a late goal from Craig Short cancelling out David Preece's first half strike.

The full record is:

|       | P  | W | D | L  | F  | A  |
|-------|----|---|---|----|----|----|
| HOME  | 13 | 6 | 4 | 3  | 21 | 11 |
| AWAY  | 13 | 3 | 1 | 9  | 13 | 23 |
| TOTAL | 26 | 9 | 5 | 12 | 34 | 34 |

# The story SO FAR

After losing their opening two away League matches this season at Portsmouth (0-1) and Tranmere (1-4), the Hatters have collected points from Middlesbrough (0-0) and Birmingham (1-1).

They took an early exit from the Coca-Cola Cup, losing both legs of their first round tie with Cambridge by 1-0, and they finished bottom of their qualifying group in the Anglo-Italian Cup.

Until suffering relegation in 1992, Luton had enjoyed a run of 10 seasons in the old First Division in what was one of the most successful eras in the club's history.

The Hatters appeared in the semi-finals of the FA Cup in 1985 and 1988, the latter being the year when Luton played at Wembley three times.

They qualified for the Football League Centenary Weekend Tournament and they battled their way to the finals of the Simod Cup only to be surprisingly beaten 1-4 by Reading.

But Luton returned to the national stadium in triumph to defeat Arsenal 3-2 in the Littlewoods Cup Final.

They reached the final again a year later but, on that occasion, they were beaten by Nottingham Forest.

The club was formed in 1885 and was initially elected to the Second Division of the Football League in 1907. They lost their place three years later but returned to the League fold as founder members of the Third Division (South) in 1920.



RAC Craig Short scores last season

They remained at that level until winning promotion to the Second Division in 1937 and it was in 1955 that they first tasted life in Division One. In 1959 they were beaten by Forest in the FA Cup final.

That defeat marked the start of a dramatic decline. Relegated from the First Division in 1960, Luton were a Fourth Division club five years later.

When they returned to Division One in 1974 Luton became the first ever club to drop from the First to the Fourth Divisions and then regain their place at the top. Sadly, they survived for only one season but, in 1982, they won promotion again.

moving on to Luton for £140,000 in 1988.

Peake played for England's semi-professionals during his early days with Nuneaton before joining Lincoln. He played for four seasons in the Red Imps' first-team and then joined Coventry in a £100,000 deal in 1983. Luton signed him last season.

Another Luton discovery is Julian James. He was capped twice by the England under-21s and two seasons ago spent a loan period with Preston. Johnson also developed in the

junior teams, getting his first taste of League football during 1987-88.

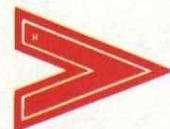
Des Linton is another pressing for a place in defence. He started his career with Leicester, moving to Luton in an exchange deal two seasons ago.

**Goalkeeper Jurgen Sommer is an American who joined Luton as a trainee. He actually made his League debut as a Brighton player, whilst on loan in 1991.**

Last season he served Torquay on loan and he finally got his chance in the Luton side on the



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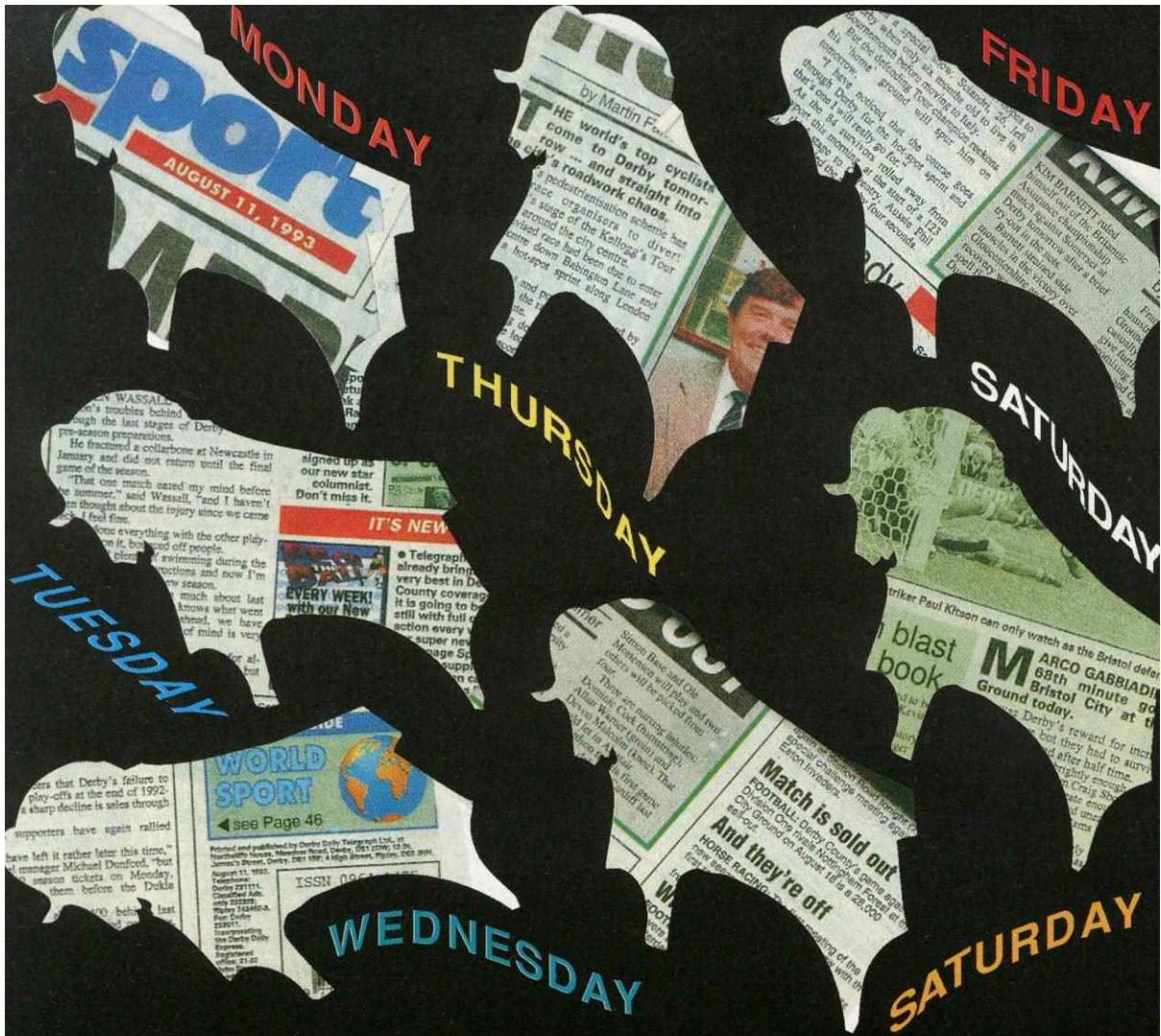


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Darling Shots...:

Chairman Brian Fearn described it the first 30 minutes at Meadow Lane two weeks ago as "the worst performance in ten years." And, after going three goals down to local rivals Notts County, there were few among the 5,000 travelling Rams fans who could argue with him! On the day that Notts' striker Gary McSwegan grabbed a hat-trick, nothing would go right for Derby - Mark Pemberton even missed a penalty - and Gabbi's fifth goal of the season was only a consolation.



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