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TODAY'S OPPOSITION

The turmoil that surrounded Luton Town FC for much of last season has now been banished to the history books and manager Mike Newell must be relieved to be focusing on football once again.

In administration for much of the last year, the Hatters' future seemed to be on the line for lengthy periods but with a new board in place and the threat of extinction gone, the club that were mixing it with the cream of English football in the 1980s are getting back on track.



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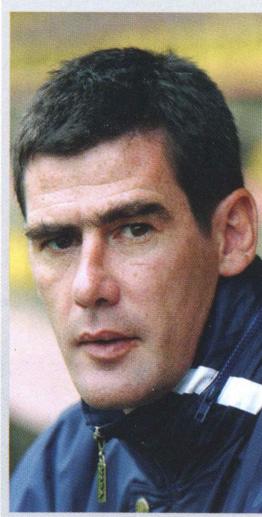
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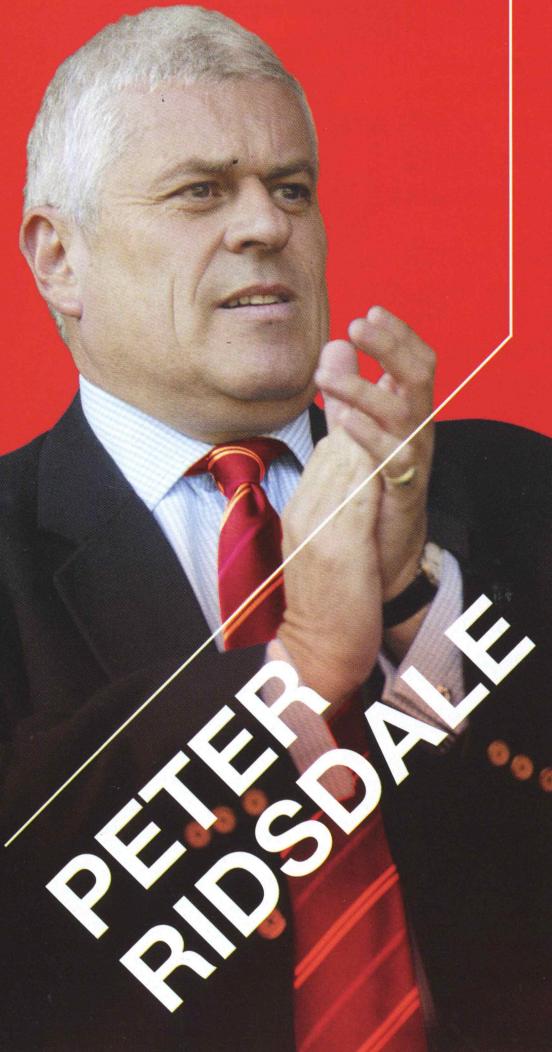
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Welcome to today's match against Luton Town. Whoever put the fixtures together for August clearly knew how to give us a tough start! Following on from Bristol City last Tuesday and Luton today, we then have difficult away trips to Walsall and Wrexham with the Bank Holiday Saturday fixture against high flying Hull City in-between. I suppose we have to play these teams at some stage but just thinking about these fixtures is both exhausting and exciting.



PETER RIDSDALE

Last Tuesday's match must have been great for any neutrals in the ground but I for one was pleased to hear the final whistle and to know for sure that we had our first win under our belts. Following Luton's win at Swindon on Wednesday, today's match promises to be equally tight and exciting. In welcoming Luton Town, their supporters, Directors, Manager and players today I would like to extend a warm hello to Marlon Beresford. Marlon was with us for a relatively short spell last term but he is a welcome visitor today and we wish him well in his future career.

The last twelve months have seen many changes here at Oakwell but the one thing that never changes is the quality of our



Matt Carbon rises to the ball against Bristol City.

THE CHAIRMAN



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When I joined Barnsley I explained that my dream was to see our team playing at Oakwell on a regular basis in front of a capacity crowd.

That remains my ultimate goal. I don't want it just for the occasional game, for instance, when we have a high profile local derby. I would love to see us attracting 24,000 attendances regularly. That would be a reflection of the success we're pursuing on the field and the style

of football we're producing in our quest for glory.

Now I know we're a long way off fulfilling my ultimate ambition and I also know, perhaps more than anyone, that we're only at the start of our adventure. But, I truly believe the signs are good and that we're heading in the right direction.

The support for Tuesday night's home game against Bristol City was excellent and the attendance figure of 10,400



THE GAFFER

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PAUL HART

Nicky Wroe – strong performance against Bristol City on Tuesday.

confirmed the growing level of anticipation around the town at what we're all trying to achieve for our club. We now know we have a great hard core of support. But we need all those regulars to spread the word and get their friends to join the Barnsley bandwagon - as soon as possible.

I thought it was a very entertaining game against Bristol City. They are a good side and I was delighted by our 2-1 victory. I felt some parts of our game were very good. Other parts were okay and we all know there are things we must keep working on to improve the team as a unit.

But, having said that, we're getting better with each game and look collectively fitter in terms of match sharpness. It was nice to see Chris Shuker open his goal-scoring account for the club. He took both his chances very well.

The defence is looking solid and in midfield young Nicky Wroe stepped into Jacob Burns's boots with a degree of aplomb. Nicky is still learning the game and, like all youngsters, will need nurturing along the road to regular first team football but he did very well on Tuesday against one of the best midfield units in our division.

So today we welcome Luton Town, who have won both their opening fixtures and arrive here level top on points but third on goal difference. I have immense



respect for their manager Mike Newell and Director of Football Mick Harford. It's fair to say that during our playing careers we locked horns - or maybe that should be studs - on a few memorable occasions.

Mike's doing a great job as Luton boss. He's guided them through the difficulties of administration and I expect Luton today to show all the commitment and determination that Mike and Mick showed during their playing days.

It's going to be another tough game for us but one we're looking forward to.

FEATURED PLAYER

AUSTRALIAN international Jacob Burns is one of the few players remaining at Oakwell after an amazing summer of transfer activity.

The former Leeds United star, who played for the Whites in the Champions' League back in 2001, has battled back from an ankle injury to reclaim his place in the side ahead of the big kick-off and impressed in the warm-up matches against Sunderland and Rotherham United.

Jacob said: **"We have had an excellent pre-season and I think we demonstrated that we are a good team. We have to carry that on through the campaign because we will face some tough opposition but we will be in the promotion shake up come May."**

"The game at Milton Keynes was played in incredible conditions really. I think I am the only one used to heat like that, coming from Australia, but it was very hard. The heat was the same for both teams and it really takes its toll on your stamina and energy levels. I think we were the better side and should have taken the three points.

"We could have been four up at one stage. We had a goal disallowed that the boys and manager believe should have stood and a few that went round the post. You could tell how well we were doing from the home crowd's disappointment. I think Milton Keynes were very, very relieved to get a goal near the end of it but you have to kill off games like that.

"The temperature killed the game. It is not common in England to play in heat like that and you could see that throughout the second half. You have to keep the ball and make the other team run around. We felt that we had three points there for the taking but you have to fight for every point in every game. We were disappointed but we have to take the positives and move on. It felt like a defeat but we have to get our first win at Oakwell this week.

"We took a point away from home and got our first goal of the season so there were a lot of positives to take from it."



He added: "The support at Milton Keynes was amazing with about 2,000 fans there. It was wonderful to see but we have to start getting the right results and we will really see people coming down to Oakwell.

"That is what you want as a player because a large home crowd can really help the team go on to great things.

"We have a really strong squad here now with a lot of depth. There are some good homegrown players coming through as well so there is a mixture. Things are going well and we have the quality here to play good football and get results.

"Things can only get better the more we play together. Everybody is starting to learn each other's game now and you can see that."

"It is great for the club to have a player like Stephen McPhail in the squad. He is a great player and we spent a few years together at Leeds United. We played together in many games and built up a good understanding over the years. He is a great player; a real asset to the club and can make things happen when he is on the ball. We played together in the Champions' League with Leeds United back in 2001 and can take those experiences and bring them to Oakwell."

He said: "I got a knock in the first five or ten minutes of the game against the MK Dons. It was unbelievable because I went for the ball and just followed through onto the bottom of the guy's foot. It is pretty swollen now and I was disappointed to come off.

"Because it happened so early on I thought that I would be able to run it off. It just got worse and worse throughout and was really painful after half time. I went for an x-ray but I am pretty positive that it is just heavy bruising and I should be ok.

"I am optimistic that I should be fit enough to play against Luton Town. We will have a look but I love playing games although if I have to sit out a couple of days training to make sure I am fully fit then that is what I will do.

"I have never really been injured in my career but they say that things tend to come all at once so I am pretty disappointed at the moment. I have to remain positive and it is part and parcel of the game so I have to get on with it. We have a talented squad here now so regardless of injuries we have players who can come in and do a good job. We need that to be successful.

"Getting injured may cost me my place in the team because competition is so high at the club now. That decision is down to the manager really but I have to come back strong after my ankle problem. I had a major operation in the summer on my ankle but this is one of those things. My ankle is holding up fine and I have had no problems with it through pre-season."

COLGAN CALLED UP

REDS goalkeeper Nick Colgan spoke exclusively after he was called up to the Republic of Ireland squad for next week's friendly against Bulgaria at Lansdowne Road.

Nick said: "I am highly delighted to be called into the squad. People may come out and say that it is a meaningless friendly because it is so early in the season and the Premier League only go back this weekend but that is not the case for the players involved.

"It is always nice to be called up to play for your country and I am delighted and proud. My bread and butter is here at Barnsley and I want to do as well as I can so nothing changes on that front just because I am going away with my country.

£1 MILLION GOAL CHASE

COCA-COLA, title sponsor of The Football League, has launched a £1 Million Goal Chase challenging the 72 League Clubs, which make up The Football League, to score a record number of goals in any one season.

In its 30 year history of supporting football in this country, Coca-Cola has always been active at the grass roots of the game, recognising the importance of giving new talent the opportunity to shine. Clearly, fans want to watch exciting football. The Coca-Cola £1M Goal Chase brings these two ideas together in an innovative way to add a bit of extra excitement to the football season.

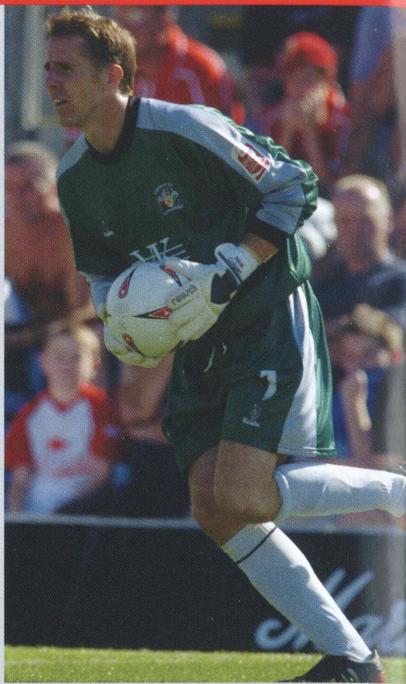
Coke's asking fans to encourage their club to raise their game this season to score a total of 4,500 or more goals. If they are successful, Coca-Cola will donate a £1 Million prize to fund a young, up and coming or apprentice player at each of the 72 clubs for a full season.

The initiative was announced at the formal launch of Coca-Cola's sponsorship at a press conference in London.

Steve Cumming, Sponsorship Manager, Coca-Cola Great Britain said: "One of our aims at Coca-Cola is to make the game more enjoyable for the fans. Another is to continue to support the grassroots of football, as we've done for years, strengthening its future in this

"Brian Kerr has stuck with me through some hard times at Hibs so with me playing week in, week out, it will have been a massive boost. I am playing regular first team football and that is a lot better than the situation I was in last season so I am sure Brian has kept an eye on me. I am sure he is delighted that I am at a club that will be challenging to get out of this division.

"I will be here for the Luton game on Saturday and then either fly over to Ireland on Saturday night or Sunday morning. The itinerary says that we will train on Sunday but hopefully we will be let off with a game of golf in Portmarnoch. We will train Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday before the game."



country. The Coca-Cola £1 Million Goal Chase is a fun idea that we hope will bring these two together, adding extra excitement across the season in anticipation of something genuinely valuable to clubs and fans alike - new talent."

Richard Masters, Commercial Director, The Football League said: "The Coca-Cola Goal Chase is an exciting and innovative idea. It also demonstrates Coca-Cola's commitment to our 72 clubs and their fans for the next three seasons and the foreseeable future."

Chris Kamara, Sky TV pundit added: "The Goal Chase money will mean everything to League clubs. £15,000 can buy you a senior pro for a season. Everyone connected with football will realise the real worth of this."

In another ground-breaking initiative Coca-Cola has for the first time changed its world famous red and white brand colours to reflect the identity of each club in The Football League.

So, for example, Plymouth supporters will see green and white Coca-Cola perimeter board branding at Home Park. The logo turns claret and blue at West Ham, black and amber at Hull City, blue and white at Peterborough, and black and white at Darlington. Match programme advertising will be similarly bespoke for each club.

NEW STRUCTURE



THE Football League confirmed new names for its three divisions, after Club Chairmen approved plans at The League's summer meeting in Chester.

The 2004/05 season will see Divisions One, Two and Three being re-titled 'The Championship', 'League One' and 'League Two' respectively.

In announcing the new titles, Football League Chairman Sir Brian Mawhinney said: "The Championship is a term steeped in the history of The Football League. Reclaiming it for our leading clubs will place a new enhanced emphasis on its status at the pinnacle of our competition.

"Not only is it a gateway to the Premiership, it is one of Europe's leading league competitions, in terms of the standard of football being played, the high quality of stadia and the numbers of supporters attending."

In launching 'The Championship', 'League One' and 'League Two' the League is seeking to build on the growth which professional football has experienced in recent seasons - The League recently announced its highest attendance figures for 40 years. The aim is to brighten the financial outlook for League clubs and enable them to begin closing the monetary gap that exists with the Premiership.

To reflect its new set of names, The Football League has also revealed a re-designed logo to succeed the organisation's previous identity which has been in use since The League's centenary in 1988.

BARNESLEY FC INS AND OUTS SUMMER 2004

It has been a very busy summer at Oakwell with a complete overhaul of the first team squad and a massive influx of players. This is who's who and who's left at the club...

IN

Nick Colgan, Bobby Hassell, Tom Williams, Paul Reid, Matt Carbon, Tony Vaughan, Barry Conlon, Stephen McPhail, David Scarsella, Daniel Nardiello, Fola Onibuje.



OUT

Marlon Beresford, Tony Gallimore, Lee Crooks, Steve Hayward, Danny Alcock, Garry Monk, Alex Neil, Brian O'Callaghan, Craig Ireland, Adam Oldham, Dean Gorre, Griff Jones, Chris Lumsdon.

BETSY OUT ON LOAN

BARNESLEY midfielder Kevin Betsy has joined Hartlepool United on loan. The 26-year-old linked up with the Victoria Park side late last week and will initially spend a month with our League One rivals.

GORRE HOPES FOR POOL DEAL

DUTCHMAN Dean Gorre could be back at Oakwell later this season. The former Red is currently on trial at Blackpool and looking to impress Seasiders' boss Colin Hendry.

NEWSFLASH...

BARNESLEY FC would like to extend a warm welcome to Knut Skogstad, visiting Oakwell today from Norway. Knut is a fanatical Scandinavian Reds fan and a regular poster on an unofficial internet bulletin board. He is also celebrating his birthday today and is attending the match with his girlfriend Lyndsey Wyer.

PACKED GROUNDS FOR START OF NEW SEASON AND NEW-LOOK FOOTBALL LEAGUE

THE Coca-Cola Football League kicked-off in style this weekend with the highest opening weekend attendances since the 1965/66 season.

More than 380,000 people attended games in The Championship, League One and League Two at an average of more than 10,600 people per game - an increase of 9 per cent on last season's opening weekend.

FORTHCOMING WEDDING

GOOD luck to Reds fans Wendy Booker and Ian Hoyland for their wedding next Monday (August 16). Congratulations from Maggie and Club 64 members at Barnsley FC.

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KEITH HOLMES

BARNESLEY FC has been saddened to learn of the death of former Club Secretary Keith Holmes.

Mr Holmes passed away in his sleep on Thursday August 5, 2004, aged 71.

Born in Rotherham, Mr Holmes was Club Secretary at Oakwell between 1964 and 1967.

Our thoughts are with Mr Holmes' friends and family at this time.



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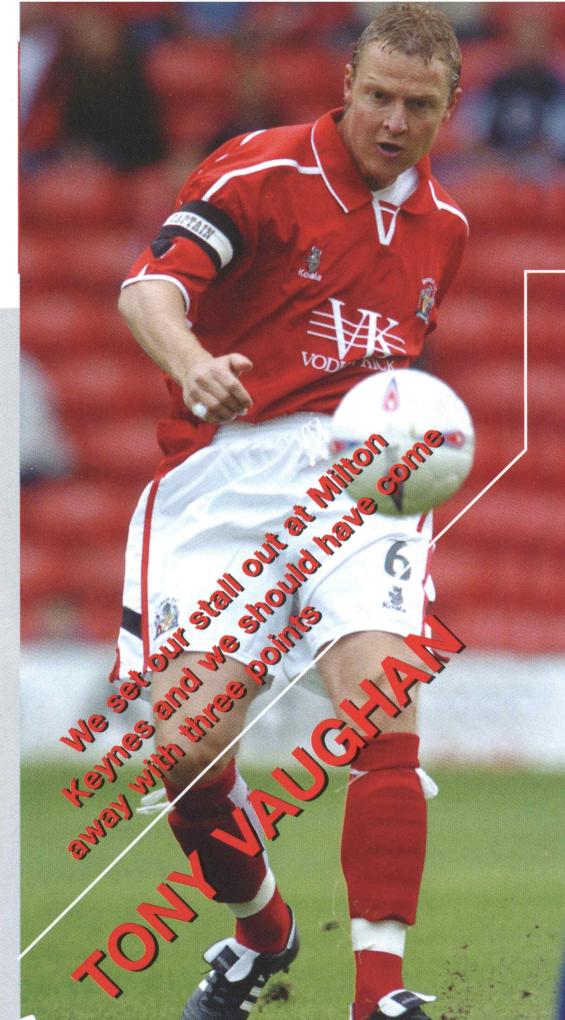
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You always want to get that first win under your belt and we really should have done that on the opening day but it was nice to do it in front of the Barnsley supporters against Bristol City on Tuesday evening.

“It has been a good start but things will be tough in this league. Four points from the first two matches is not a bad haul but we have to carry on now and make sure we improve along the way.

“It will be a hard match today against Luton. They look as though they want to get the ball forward as soon as possible but we know that if we do our jobs properly then we should not have a problem with any team in this league.

“If teams want to come to Oakwell and play against us then we will do well. It is nice to see a team like Bristol City come here and attack but we have players in our team that can unlock defences when sides just want to defend and kill the game.

THIS IS YOUR
CAPTAIN SPEAKING

“The fans were fantastic here on Tuesday and it was good to see 10,400 in - especially with the weather in the morning. They were outstanding and behind us right from the off even when things sometimes did not go right. The supporters could see that we are going about things in the right way and they responded to that.

“We went out for the warm up and there was not that many people in the stadium but I was amazed to see and hear the crowd when the game started. They got behind us and hopefully we can go on to great things this season together.

“We were very unhappy on the way back from Milton Keynes last weekend after dropping two points in a game that we really should have won. These things happen in football and it was important to bounce back from that disappointment with a good performance on Tuesday evening.

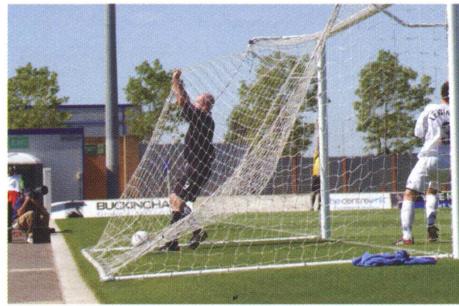
“The heat at Milton Keynes was hard to play in but it just showed how hard we had worked as a squad through pre-season and our fitness is good. We were still in there at the end of the game and never really dropped the pace. It was a good game to test our fitness and I think the lads came through fine.

“We went away after the game and prepared properly for the Bristol City game. We took on lots of fluids and ate right so we were all revved up for our first home match.

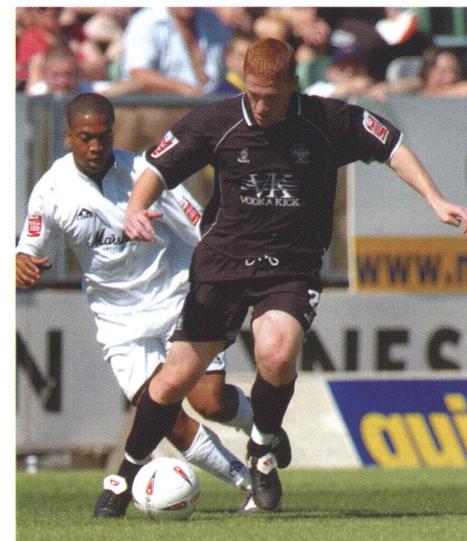
“We set our stall out at Milton Keynes and we should have come away with three points. We did it again on Tuesday against Bristol City and went for the win straight from the kick-off.

“I think people can see that we are gelling as a team quickly. To be fair it has happened quicker than most people here thought it would so that can only be good for the club. There is still a lot to learn about each other but things are definitely moving in the right direction.

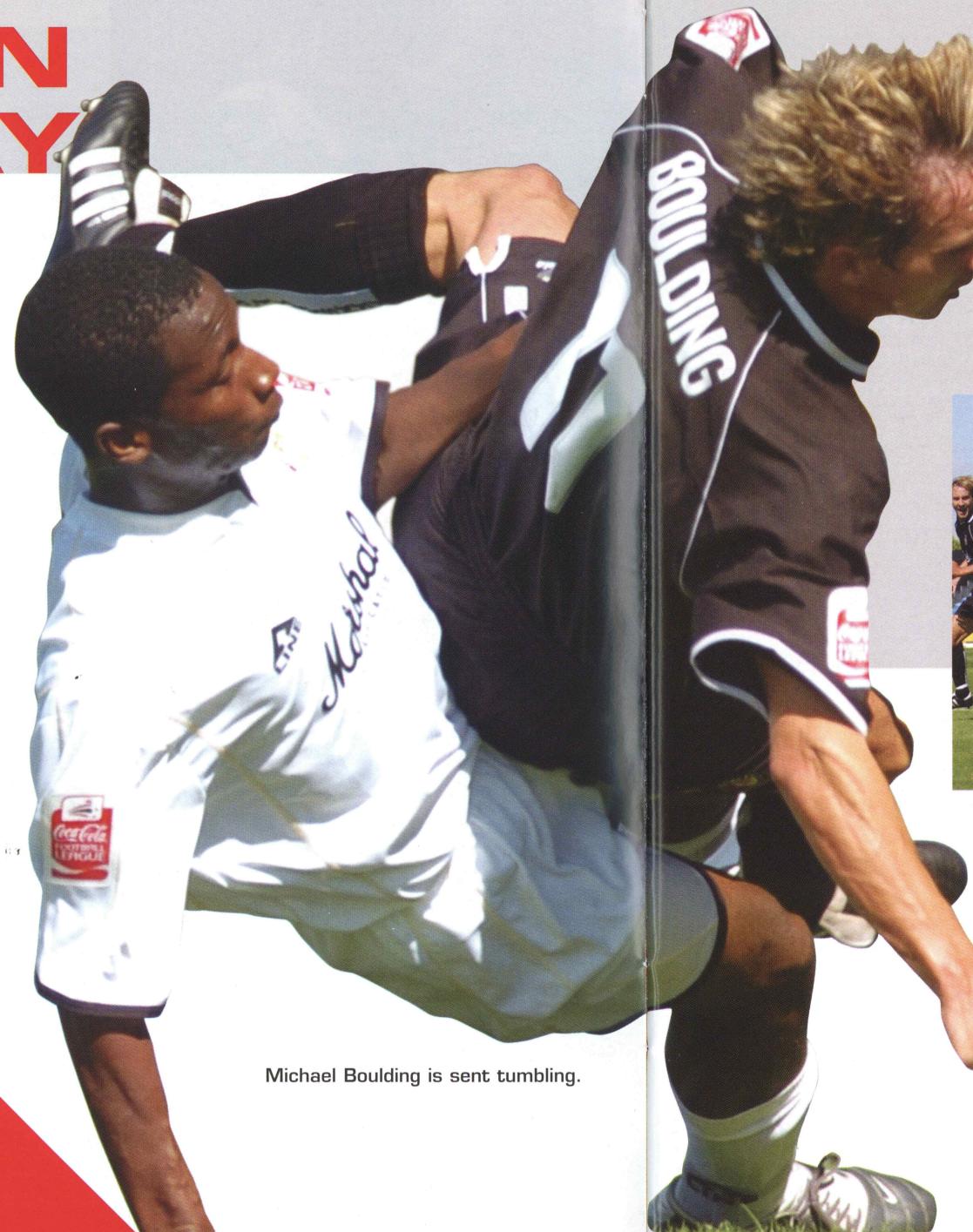
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Barry Conlon celebrates in vain as his early strike is ruled out.



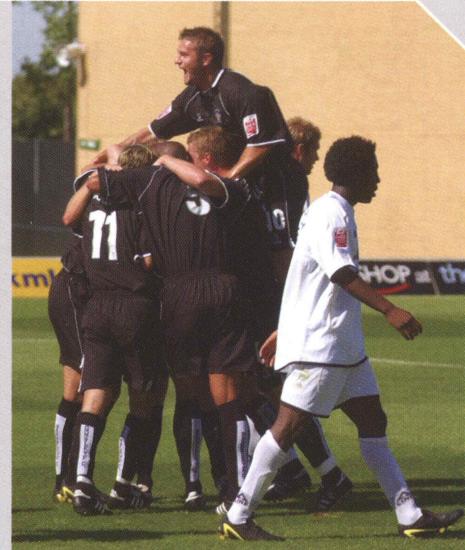
Bobby Hassell brings the ball out of danger.



Michael Boulding is sent tumbling.



Nick Colgan collects the ball.



The Reds celebrate Paul Reid's goal.



Tom Williams on the ball.



Below: Scramble in the goalmouth leading to Paul Reid's goal.

7th August 2004

MK Dons 1
Barnsley 1

MATT Carbon was the Reds' first summer signing back in June 2004 and quickly settled in to life in South Yorkshire.

The former Derby County, West Brom and Walsall defender has been a formidable barrier to opposing strikers for the last decade and will be looking to enforce his reputation in League One this season.

He said: "I have settled in very well indeed here. Considering we have so many new players at the club it has been surprising how well we have bonded as a team.

"I feel like I have been here for a season already and so do the rest of the new boys so that can only be good for the club and good for the season.

"We are looking to get off to a good start and even through pre-season you could see that the players were bright and working well. We all know what we have to do and if we stick together than we can achieve that.

"Fitness-wise I think everybody was happy with pre-season. To be fair pre-season is never a nice time for a footballer because there is always a lot of running and very hard, physical work involved. This year has been more enjoyable and I think the players have been looked after more than any club I have been with in recent years.

"The only place that was similar to this and where you had a fitness coach monitoring you all the time was Derby County. Tom (Little) knows exactly what to do and how hard to work you in order to get the best results. It has been different but I have felt the benefits personally.

"It is better for the players when you feel that the coaching staff are looking after you and going about things in the right way. You cannot go off the rails because we are always being monitored. All the players wear heart monitors in training so you know that you will be working

to the maximum. The manager and fitness coach check the monitors after training so they know how hard you are working and what condition you are in. That has to be beneficial to every one.

"The target this year is promotion. We are going to be pushing for a place in the top two but even the play offs would be acceptable if we get out of this division. This club is targeting promotion - there is no-one around here who will accept anything less.

"We have it firmly in our minds to push for Championship football next season. Hopefully we will achieve that.

"We have a strong squad. I have never played in League One before and I have been told that the football is totally different. It will be difficult but if we stick together as a squad then there is no reason why we cannot be celebrating come May.

"Personally I will view it as a huge failure if we do not win promotion at the end of the season. The team will definitely view it as a failure if we do not achieve that. Our sights are set on promotion and we have to do it. I do not think there is any pressure on the players because we have a blend of youth and experience that is capable of achieving our target.

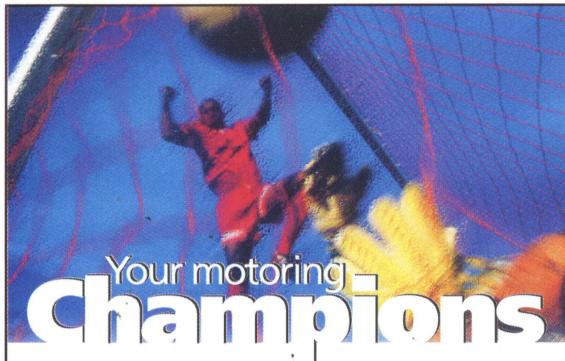
"We have players who have been there when it comes to winning promotion and know what is required."

He added: "I think the supporters out there will have been caught up in the excitement and expectation. I know that they will want us to do the best that we can.

"That is all the lads can do - we have to give 100 per cent all season and then see where we are come May. Hopefully that will be enough to win promotion."

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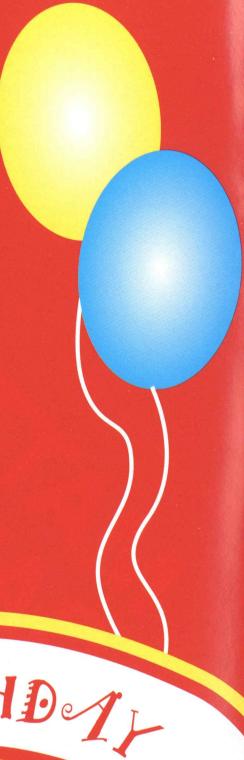
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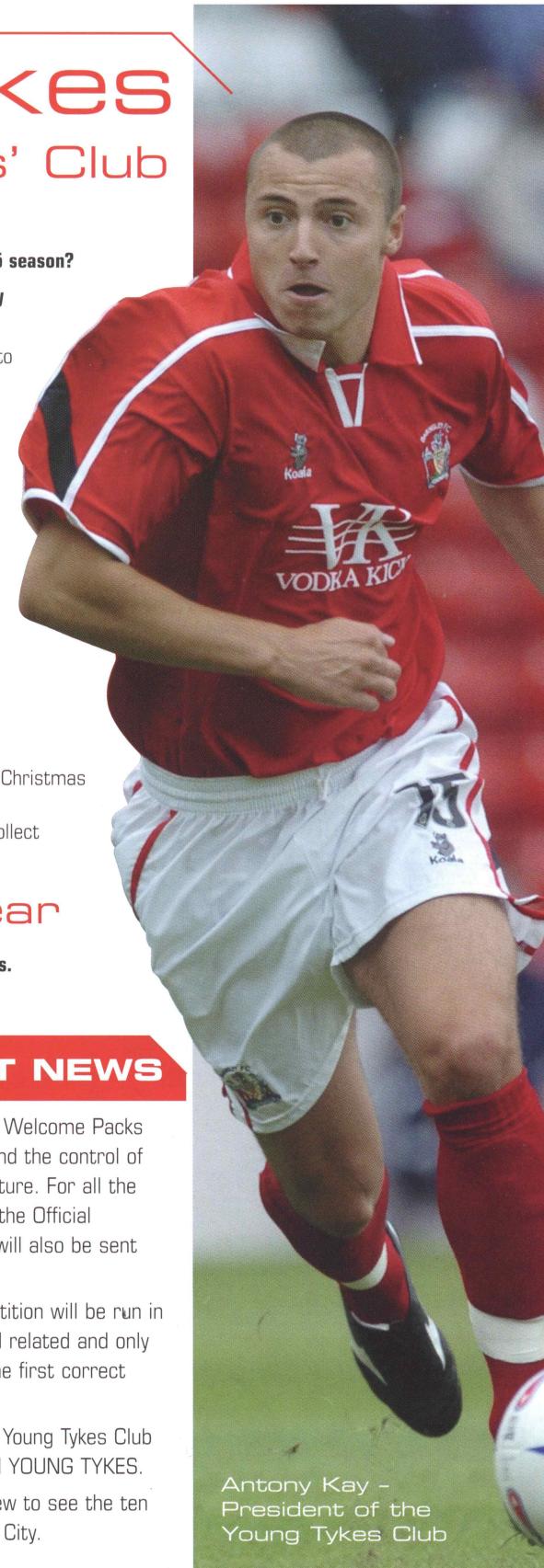
YOUNG TYKES - LATEST NEWS

PLEASE note that there is a slight delay in the launch of the Welcome Packs for the Young Tykes Club. This is due to circumstances beyond the control of the club although we are hoping to rectify this in the near future. For all the latest news and updates check out the Young Tykes page of the Official Barnsley FC Website situated in the FANS section. Letters will also be sent out when the packs are available for collection.

Once the membership packs are posted a brand new competition will be run in the new-look Oakwell Review. The competition will be football related and only open to Young Tykes members. A prize will be awarded to the first correct entry drawn out of the hat.

If you have any feedback, ideas or general comments on the Young Tykes Club please e-mail thereds@barnsleyfc.co.uk, marking your e-mail YOUNG TYKES.

Keep an eye out for the Hull City edition of the Oakwell Review to see the ten lucky Young Tykes who ran out with the team against Bristol City.



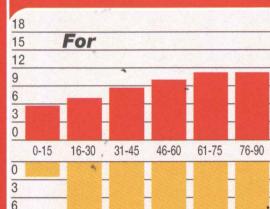
Antony Kay -
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Barnsley v Luton



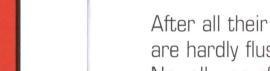
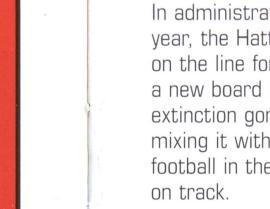
When Scored



How & Where Goals Scored



When Scored



Discipline

Red Cards	6
Yellow Cards	63
Fouls Committed	613
Average per Game	13.33
Conceded from Free Kick	7
Fouls Suffered	587
Average per Game	12.76
Scored from Free Kick	9
Caught Offside	142
Average per Game	3.09

Top Scorers in each Category

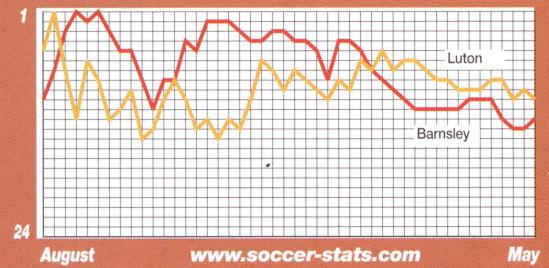
Betsy	2	Headed goals	Howard	5
Murphy	2	Long range shots	Howard	2
Betsy, Nardiello	3	Inside 6 yards	Howard	6
Gorre, Betsy	5	Shots from 6-18 yards	Howard, Forbes	6
Kay	2	Volleyed shots	4 players	1
Gorre	2	Penalties	Nicholls	2
3 players	3	Scored 1st Goal in match	Howard	8
5 players	1	Most goals in last 10	Howard	2
Betsy	12.17	Points gained from goals	Howard	13.5

Last 6 & Swings

Opponents	H/A	Score
Stockport	A	3-2
Bristol City	H	0-1
Tranmere	A	0-2
Brentford	H	0-2
QPR	H	3-3
Rushden	A	3-2

Won when Behind: 2
Drawn when Behind: 9
Drawn when Ahead: 6
Lost when Ahead: 1

Seasonal Progress Comparison



Luton's Last 10 Years

Games Played	460
Won	167
Drawn	124
Lost	169
Goals Scored	628
Goals Conceded	618
Points Total	625
Biggest Win	6-0 Crewe 96/97
Heaviest Defeat	0-5 Bristol City 96/97
0-5 Stoke 95/96	
0-5 Grimsby 94/95	



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THE OPPPOSITION

THE TURMOIL THAT SURROUNDED LUTON TOWN FC FOR MUCH OF LAST SEASON HAS NOW BEEN BANISHED TO THE HISTORY BOOKS AND MANAGER MIKE NEWELL MUST BE RELIEVED TO BE FOCUSING ON FOOTBALL ONCE AGAIN.



In administration for much of the last year, the Hatters' future seemed to be on the line for lengthy periods but with a new board in place and the threat of extinction gone, the club that were mixing it with the cream of English football in the 1980s are getting back on track.

After all their recent problems, Luton are hardly flushed with cash, but Newell was afforded the luxury of adding a few new faces to his squad during the off-season. A Football League embargo blocked him from any such moves last season, so after much frustration, he can get on with his job of building his own team at last.

Newell has, however, been forced to cope with the loss of a couple of key men from last season's creditable ninth place finish. The departure of the inspirational Emmerson Boyce to Premiership new-boys Crystal Palace was a major blow, but after a series of fine displays for the Hatters last season, it was inevitable that he would attract interest from clubs higher up the league ladder.

That Howard is still at the club is also a big bonus for Newell as Sheffield Wednesday were among those chasing the services of the prolific hit-man, but they are now in a position to turn down serious cash offers for their star men. That would not have been possible this time last year, so these are improving times at Luton Town on and off the pitch.

Talk of the club building a much needed new stadium have been revived and they would represent the ultimate boost for the Hatters. Plans to build a new arena on junction 10 of the M1 motorway have been in the pipeline for some time and if they can be put into motion now, the future could be bright for Luton Town.



THE OPPosition

GOALKEEPER

MARLON BERESFORD

Born: 02.06.69

Squad No.1

Making a return to Oakwell this afternoon, ex-Red Beresford will be keen to make an impression. This experienced stopper lists Sheffield Wednesday, Burnley and Middlesbrough among his former clubs and looks set for a season of regular action between the sticks for the Hatters.

DEFENDERS

KEVIN FOLEY

Born: 01.11.84

Squad No.2

A young Irishman who may be knocking on the door of Brian Kerr's full international squad in the near future if he continues to progress at his present rate, he looks to be a class act in the making. Foley proved his worth in 33 first team games last season.



LUTON'S 10 YEAR RECORD

1994-95 -- Division One: 16th

1995-96 -- Division One: 24th

1996-97 -- Division Two: 3rd

1997-98 -- Division Two: 17th

1998-99 -- Division Two: 12th

1999-00 -- Division Two: 13th

2000-01 -- Division Two: 22nd

2001-02 -- Division Three: 2nd

2002-03 -- Division Two: 9th

2003-04 -- Division Two: 10th

ALAN NIELSON

Born: 26.09.72

Squad No.3

Now in his fourth season as a Hatters first team star, Neilson is an experienced performer who adds a touch of quality to Mike Newell's defensive line-up. This full Welsh international started his career at Newcastle and had spells at Southampton and Fulham before finding a home at Kenilworth Road.

CHRIS COYNE

Born: 20.12.78

Squad No.12

Coyne has been a first team regular for Luton over the last three seasons and is one of the first names on Mike Newell's team sheet. This Aussie was brought into English football by Premiership outfit West Ham and he had a spell in Scotland before arriving at Luton.

CURTIS DAVIES

Born: 15.03.85

Squad No.20

A young man getting his chance to prove his worth in the first team, he was handed a start by boss Mike Newell for the Hatters' opening game of the campaign

against Oldham last Saturday. At the age of 19, he is still learning his trade, but looks set to be one for the future.

SOL DAVIS

Born: 04.09.79

Squad No.24

A towering figure at the heart of the Luton defence for the past two seasons, he is a consistent performer. Davis started his career at Swindon and played over 100 league games for the Robins before moving to Kenilworth Road.

DEFENDER/MIDFIELD

KEITH KEANE

Born: 20.11.86

Squad No.21

Looking to build on his progress of last season when he was knocking on the door of Mike Newell's first team, Keane has the raw materials to be a star in years to come. A versatile performer who loves to break forward when given the chance, he has won international honours with junior Ireland sides.

ONE TO WATCH

ROWAN VINE

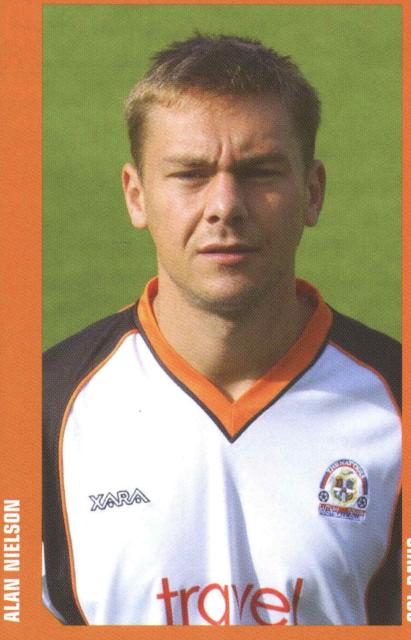
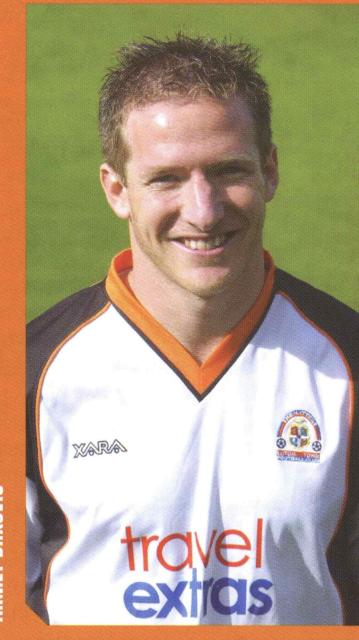
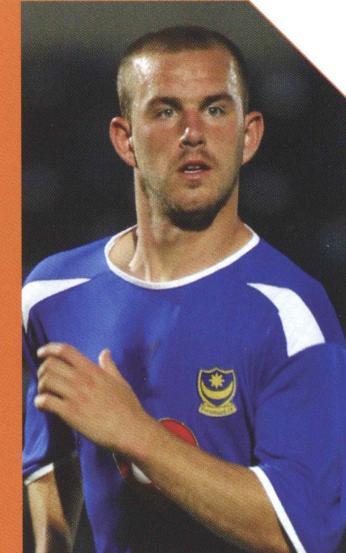
Born: 21.09.82

Squad No.9

Luton manager Mike Newell spent much of his summer break in search of additional attacking talent and he has managed to secure the services of Portsmouth forward Vine in a three month loan deal.

Having spent last season on loan at Colchester, it is clear that his first team options at Fratton Park are limited at the moment, but he has just signed a new deal with the Premiership club, so they obviously see him as one for the future.

Vine hit the headlines last season as he fired a memorable hat-trick against Coventry to book Colchester's place in the last 16 of the FA Cup and Luton fans will settle for more of the same this season.



MIDFIELDERS

PAUL UNDERWOOD

Born: 16.08.73

Squad No.6

Underwood came into the Hatters' squad at the back end of last season and will be keen to push his claims for a regular starting place this term. Previously with Rushden and Diamonds, he is a late comer to the professional game and will be desperate to make the most of his career.

KEVIN NICHOLLS

Born: 02.01.79

Squad No.8

This goal scoring midfielder started his career at Charlton, but a lack of first team chances under Alan Curbishley forced him to move on. Now in his fourth full season as a Hatter he has contributed both as an attacking and defensive force throughout that time.

STEVE ROBINSON

Born: 10.12.74

Squad No.11

This Northern Ireland international looked set to have his career cut short by injury, but Robinson defied the medical experts last season and is back at the heart of their midfield now. This former Tottenham, Bournemouth and Preston star is a quality performer in the engine room.

FORWARDS

STEVE HOWARD

Born: 10.05.76

Squad No.19

The mainstay of the Luton frontline for the last three seasons, he has been a consistent source of goals throughout that time. His 14 goals last season came on the back of hauls of 22 and 24 in the previous two and he will be a key man leading the line again this term.

LEE MANSELL

Born: 23.09.82

Squad No.17

Mansell has been on the fringes of the Hatters' first team over the last few seasons, but he has yet to nail down a regular starting spot. He has been involved in some of the Hatters' pre-season games, so he will be hoping to make a breakthrough in the near future.

AHMET BRKOVIC

Born: 23.09.74

Squad No.18

This Dubrovnik-born star has been a star turn for Luton over the last three seasons. Brkovic was a free signing from the Leyton Orient in the summer of 2001. A first team regular for the last couple of seasons, he will be keen to cement his place in the side after starting on the bench last Saturday.

ENOCH SHOWUNMI

Born: 21.04.82

Squad No.16

This talented hit-man became something of a folk hero for the Kenilworth Road faithful last season as his pace and power excited all who saw him in action. Picked up from non-league circles, he will be looking to build on what was a fine start to his professional career.

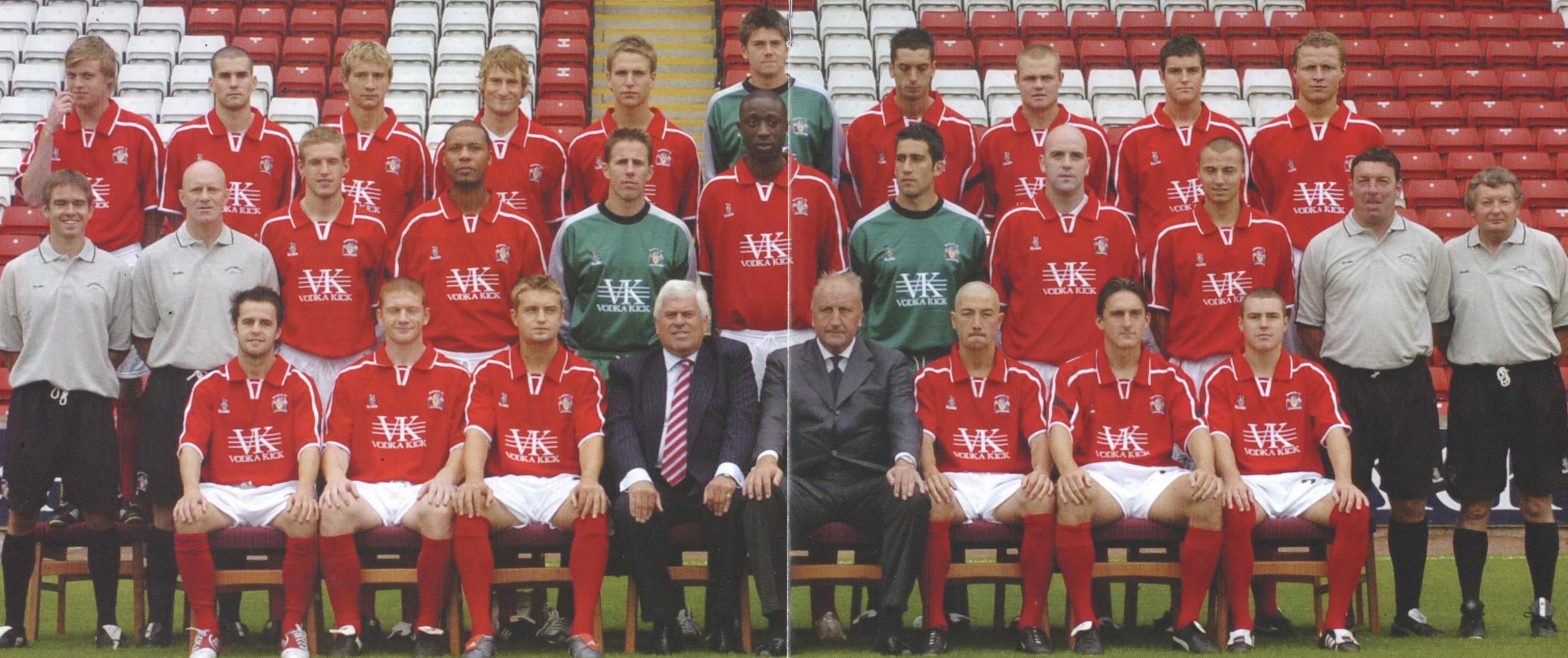
MATTHEW BLINKHORN

Born: 02.03.85

Squad No.26

Born in Blackpool, Blinkhorn has been trying to make his break in the professional ranks with his local club. However, first team chances have been few and far between so he has taken up the option of joining the Hatters in a loan deal. At the age of 19, he still has time to reach the very top.

BARNESLEY FC 2004/2005



Back Row: Ashley Scothern, Daniel Nardiello, Michael Boulding, Neil Austin, Nicky Wroe, Scott Flinders, Tom Williams, Robbie Williams, Dale Tonge, Tony Vaughan.

Middle Row: Tom Little (fitness coach), Andy Ritchie (assistant manager), Paul Reid, Matt Carbon, Nick Colgan, Fola Onibuje, David Scarsella, Barry Conlon, Antony Kay, Rick Holden (physio), Tony Swift (kit man).

Front Row: Chris Shucker, Bobby Hassell, Stephen McPhail, Peter Ridsdale (chairman), Paul Hart (manager), Jacob Burns, Mark Stallard, Tom Baker.

ACTION REPLAY 2



Matt Carbon in action.



Paul Reid gives the Reds the lead.

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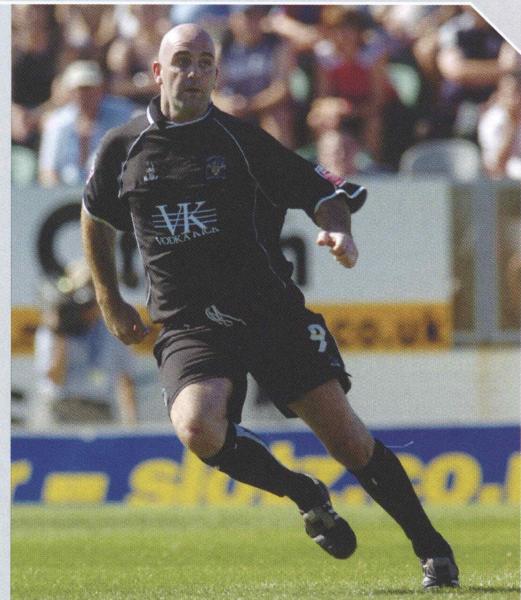
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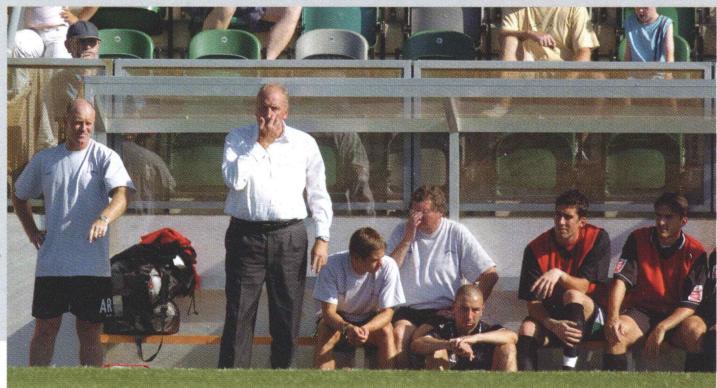
Fola Onibuje on the ball.



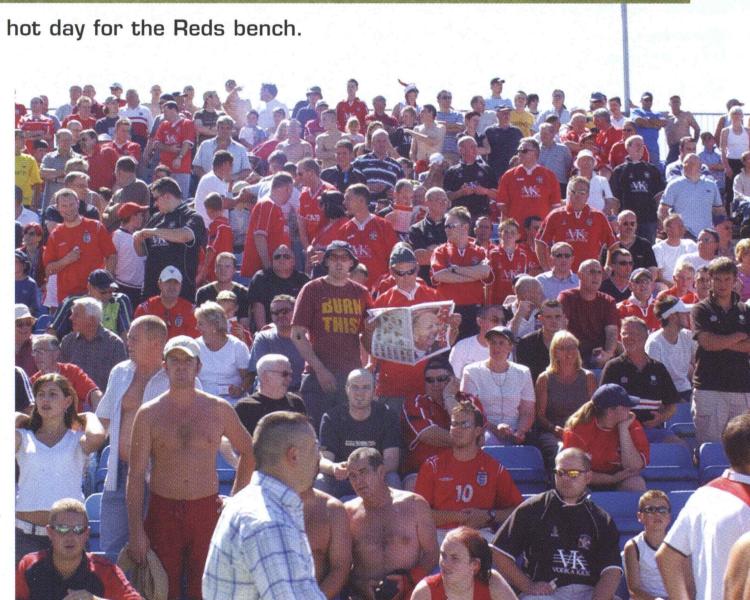
Tony Vaughan.



Barry Conlon.



A hot day for the Reds bench.



The Red Army
in the sun.

MEMORIES

A series by the Editor of Programme Monthly & Football Collectable magazine in which famous matches in Wembley's history are remembered by their programmes, which remain popular with modern collectors.

Home International Championship 12th April 1924

England 1 (Walker)
Scotland 1 (Cowan)

Attendance (at least) 126,047,
gate receipts £27,776.

England: Taylor (Huddersfield Town), Smart (Aston Villa), Wadsworth (Huddersfield Town), Moss (Aston Villa), Spencer (Newcastle United), Barton (Birmingham), Butler, Jack (Bolton Wanderers), Buchan (Sunderland), Walker (Aston Villa), Tunstall (Sheffield United)

Scotland: Harper (Hibernian), Smith, McCloy (Ayr United), Clunas (Sunderland), Morris (Raith Rovers), McMullan (Partick Thistle), Archibald (Rangers), Cowan, Harris (Newcastle), Cunningham, Morton (Rangers)

Referee:
T. Dougray (Bellshill)

The Match

An unremarkable game marked the first ever International match played beneath the Twin Towers, a year after the stadium had been completed. For the next 45 years, Scotland remained the only country to play England at Wembley, although the 1926 fixture was staged at Old Trafford. With no contract to bind them to "The British Empire Exhibition Stadium", as it was described on the front of the match programme, England preferred to stage their internationals at club grounds, except when Wembley's capacity was needed to accommodate the Scots.

England finished the Home International championship of 1923/24 in last place, having

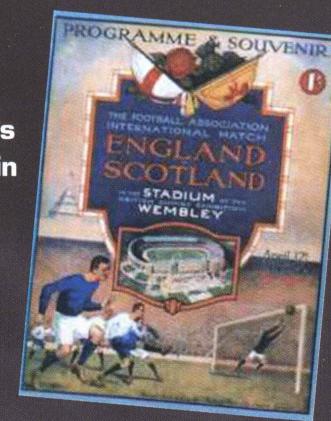
been defeated by Ireland and Wales. Scotland fared little better, in second place behind champions Wales, but they had the better of the first Wembley international. Raith Rovers' David Morris kept Charlie Buchan, belatedly restored to the England team, quiet throughout the match, while veteran Alan Morton was the best winger afield. The unlikely full-back combination from Ayr United, McCloy and Smith, distinguished themselves with solid performances.

Moss and Barton were the pick of the home inside men, and Wadsworth had a good game at full-back, although his mistake let in Cowan for Scotland's goal. Star inside right David Jack, scorer of Wembley's first goal a year before in the FA Cup Final, played well below par.

The Programme

The 24 large page programme was totally different in style and design from the small, pocket-sized booklet of the previous year's Cup Final. A four colour card cover carried an advert for Peek Frean biscuits on the back; the inside front page was blank and inside back page carried a full page advert for the Royal Tournament at Olympia.

Page 3 was an illustrated frontispiece which gave the match details, and there was a full page portrait of HRH The Prince of Wales (later to be Duke of Windsor), President of the British Empire Exhibition. A two page "History of the International Game" was followed by photographs of the Presidents and Secretaries of the respective associations.



Each team was described over four pages, two of pen pictures, and two of head and shoulder photos. Previous fixtures between the countries were listed, as was the "Programme of Music", courtesy of the Irish Guards. A one page article on the British Empire Exhibition was followed by three sketches of pavilions at Wembley Park.

As always with old programmes, the advertisements were fascinating. Gibbs Cold Cream Shaving Soap (on sale in all the lavatories at the stadium), Sanitas Embrocation (endorsed by Alex Raisbeck), Sunripe tobacco and cigarettes, and The Daily Chronicle all feature prominently, as does the sole survivor – The Daily Mirror.

This was undoubtedly a handsome production for its day, and extremely expensive at 1/-, at a time when the very best of League club programmes cost no more than 3d. An original copy today, in good condition, is likely to fetch well in excess of £1,000 at auction.

"Programme Monthly & Football Collectable" contains over 150 pages each month covering all aspects of collecting football memorabilia. The current edition is available priced £2.70 (inclusive of postage) from 46 Milton Road, Kirkcaldy, KY1 1TL; or send 9 x 1st class stamps.
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PAST CONNECTIONS

with Dave Copping



TWO GAMES FROM THE 1968/69 SEASON

At the end of the 1967/68 season Luton were crowned champions of Division 4 with Barnsley also promoted as runners up. So the early meeting in the following season at Kenilworth Road gave the teams a chance to show how they had adapted to the higher division.

It was very early days but Luton had been impressive with five points from three games while the Reds were finding it harder and had only taken the one.

After a promising opening by the Reds, they were hit by a rampant Luton led by an inspirational BRUCE RIOCH. He opened the scoring after 20 minutes with a spectacular strike and by half-time the lead had been stretched to three. Centre-back and skipper TERRY BRANSTON along with BRIAN LEWIS were the other scorers.

After the break Barnsley again started strongly and this time they were rewarded five minutes into the half when right-winger BOB EARNshaw netted. However, any hopes of a recovery were dashed by two goals inside the next 12 minutes. LEWIS with his second and KEITH ALLEN taking Luton's tally to five with still half an hour to play. From then on both teams accepted

the inevitable and no further goals were scored. It was a comprehensive defeat and left the Reds realising they had a lot of work to do.

Luton: READ, DOUGAN, JARDINE (MOORE), ALLEN, BRANSTON, SLOUGH, FRENCH, LEWIS, SHEFFIELD, RIOCH, HARRISON.

Barnsley: ARBLASTER, MURPHY, BOOTH, BETTANY, HOWARD, BROOKES, EARNshaw, EVANS, ROBSON, BRADBURY, HAMSTEAD.

The return took place at Oakwell just six weeks later with Barnsley just beginning to settle down at the higher level. They had now taken nine points from 12 games and were unbeaten in their last three matches. Luton were still going along strongly with 16 points from a game less. They had, however, not won at Oakwell in their last five visits.

I was to be a night that Barnsley showed true potential and gave probably their best performance of the season.

The Reds started strongly and this time they kept the momentum going. It was no surprise when JOHNNY EVANS netted to give

them the lead. EARNshaw added a second before the break and it could have been more as they completely dominated the proceedings. The crowd of nearly 13,000 were to give the Reds a deserved ovation.

This time it was Luton's turn to come out fighting after the break and they soon pulled one back through LAWRIE SHEFFIELD. It was now a real thriller with both teams attacking in turn. The game could have turned either way but in the end Barnsley sealed the points when GEORGE HAMSTEAD got a third. At the end the fans again gave an ovation but this time to both teams.

Barnsley: IRONSIDE, MURPHY, BROOKES, BETTANY, WINSTANLEY, HOWARD, EARNshaw, EVANS, ROBSON, BRADBURY, HAMSTEAD.

Luton: TAYLOR, DOUGAN, JARDINE, ALLEN, BRANSTON, SLOUGH, RYAN, BUXTON, SHEFFIELD, RIOCH, HARRISON (McDERMOTT).

At the season's end Barnsley finished in a respectable mid-table position. Luton's season went right to the end and finished one place outside of a promotion place.



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OAKWELL 1575AM

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THE SUPER REDS
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with Steve Pearson

THERE was a moment when the full horror of it hit me over the summer. I looked at my calendar, flicked on teletext and searched the Internet but no, it was true. There was a Saturday without football.

It was hidden away in-between the play-offs and England's last friendly before Euro 2004 so it sneaked up without me noticing. I was suddenly in a panic about what to do. I was determined not to go shopping, there was no point putting the radio or the telly on. There was no escaping it I would have to get a life. Suddenly, though, salvation was at hand. Out came the PlayStation and a couple of hours exertion trying to get the Reds promoted meant I could carry on with my life in the usual manner as Saturday evening approached. It was a close call but I survived.

There's been no break for supporters. We've gone from last season, to the play-offs to England friendlies, through Euro 2004 and into the pre-season matches. I've even managed to fit in a couple of training sessions and a match with the Internet BBS FC team on the Academy pitches. Let's hope the players are more refreshed in these early stages of the new season than us fans are.

An interesting statistic came to light over the summer. While the Oakwell 1575AM team were doing some work on our new look website, we took the chance to have a close look at the most popular pages on the old site.

As you might expect, lots of Barnsley fans took the opportunity to download audio of some of the highlights from

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our commentaries in recent years. But, what do you think was the most popular download?

Could it have been audio from the day we were promoted to the Premiership? Could it have been commentary clips from our FA Cup victory over Manchester United – or even the seven goal thrashing of Huddersfield Town?

Nope!

By far the most popular download featured one Gary Willard and his unforgettable visit to Oakwell. Perhaps Reds fans just enjoy the pain!

Barnsley FC's very own radio station is now back on the air for our ninth season. If you haven't caught up with us yet - where have you been? We're on-the-air every time Barnsley play a home game - and you'll be able to catch up with the latest news and information from the club, together with exclusive interviews and full coverage of the game from our dedicated commentary team.

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So, at this time of year, I put some of my not-so-hard earned currency on an accumulator bet and many of you probably go for the same type as me. That is, to get the winners of the four English divisions.

Trying to predict the top dogs in the Premiership, the Championship and League Two hasn't given me too much brain-ache this season, but League One? I think it's a punters' minefield.

I firmly believe that Barnsley will be 'up there' come May, but that could mean anything between champions and missing out on the play-offs by a point after finishing tenth. It has the look of a very tight division, certainly if Tranmere can be named amongst the contenders despite being deeply average in the league last year. It may be tight because of a lack of outstanding sides.

Bristol City are favourites but they have a rookie manager in Brian Tinnion and the burden of last season's play-off final defeat to contend with. Of the players they've signed, only the ex-Notts County man Paul Heffernan impresses me. I write these notes before Tuesday night's game so I hope City haven't made this paragraph look a little silly!

Dare I mention Sheffield Wednesday without being shouted out of town? Yes I know they could be 100-1 and there would still be few takers in these parts, but the 9-1 I saw at some bookies looked a reasonable bet, however terrible Chris Turner's side were last season. Some of the players Wednesday have signed, in particular David Lucas, Paul Heckingbottom and Chris Marsden look decent, but there remains a serious question mark over whether such a new-look team can gel quickly enough.

Those relegated from the old Division One, Walsall, Bradford and MK Dons, seem unlikely to cause a stir, so attention has turned to two of those promoted to this level. I expect Hull City to be better equipped to challenge than Doncaster Rovers, who will be happy to consolidate following two of the most memorable years in their history. It'll be fascinating to see how Nick Barmby adapts to life in League One now he's playing for his hometown club at the KC Stadium.

Having dismissed a fair few of the division's leading lights on this page it would seem that I rate the Reds' chances of promotion highly. True. Did I back them in the accumulator? Now that would be telling!

MY OAKWELL

We have a brand new page in the Oakwell Review this season allowing Reds supporters, young and old, to give us their special and unusual memories of following Barnsley FC over the years.

Today... Cllr Mike Williams tells us his memories of watching the Reds...

Although I have lived away from Barnsley since 1974, the Reds' result is always the first one I look for. One of my most vivid memories at Oakwell was a cup match against Brighton & Hove Albion, who went into a 0-3 lead before half-time.

Barnsley came back in the second half to win 4-3 and I seem to remember the great Tommy Taylor scored a hat-trick.

I went home with a sore throat from too much shouting and took days to recover.

Since then I have travelled to many places around the world but Barnsley FC still plays a big part in my life. I am currently Town Mayor of Grantham for the second time and hopefully will visit Barnsley at some point in the coming year. I may drop in to Oakwell to see how things have changed since I left.



DO you have a very special memory of watching the Reds at Oakwell?

Did you meet your wife or husband at a Barnsley match? Did you have a unique moment at Oakwell that you would like to share with other supporters next season?

We are looking for YOUR stories to form part of the brand new Oakwell Review for the 2004/2005 campaign. Our brand new 'My Oakwell' page will feature your unique tales about supporting the Reds and we want you to send us your special moments now ahead of the new season. Tell us about the highs and the lows. The joy and the despair.

We are looking for supporters to submit 350 words about their special moment to be included our match day programme. Please include your name, address and contact information.

E-mail your article to website@barsnleyfc.co.uk or by post to: Rob Knowles, Barnsley FC, Oakwell Stadium, Barnsley, S71 1ET.

Mascots and Community News

TODAY'S MASCOT



LEADING the Reds into action today is our mascot, Joseph Green.

Joseph, aged seven, is from Monk Bretton, Barnsley, attends Burton Road School, and enjoys football and swimming.

He plays football twice a week at Oakwell with our Football In The Community scheme.

His favourite Reds player is Chris Shuker.

WOULD you like to become a mascot at Oakwell?

Just imagine... leading your favourite team out onto the playing field moments before the big game. The crowd roaring approval in your ears as you run onto the pitch, proudly wearing your club's colours.

It could be you.

Simply contact Oakwell and we will send the information out to you. For more information write to:

Mascots, Barnsley Football Club, Oakwell Stadium, Barnsley, S71 1ET.

Please note that the demand to be a mascot is very high and there is a waiting list. Children must be thirteen years or under.

FOOTBALL IN THE COMMUNITY

NETWORK RAIL

THROUGH its partnership with Football In The Community, Network Rail aims to educate children, particularly those aged 8-14, in a positive and popular environment about the dangers and consequences of route crime on the rail network. This is achieved through the use of Football In The Community officers and footballers.

As part of this scheme, Barnsley Football In The Community scheme, has visited thirteen schools in Barnsley that are located near to railway lines, to deliver railway safety messages as part of in-school football coaching sessions. These coaching sessions provide the opportunity for activity as well as trying to prevent children from wandering down to the railway line because they have 'nothing better to do.' Feedback received from schools shows that the rail safety messages delivered have made the children consider their actions and think twice before committing crime on the railway.

REMEMBER – Play Safe, Stay Safe!

SUMMER SOCCER SCHOOLS

WE still have a few places left on our soccer schools during August. Details and booking forms are available at the Reds Superstore, the BFC Box Office or by calling the Community Office on 01226 211333.



BIRTHDAY PARTIES

TO book a children's birthday party here at Oakwell ring the Community Office on 01226 211333.

We offer fully qualified coaching, a chance to play a game and take part in a penalty shoot out, food, drinks, birthday cake and invitations all for only

£7 per child (min. 12 children).

The birthday child will also receive a Barnsley FC football and birthday card.

ALSO, a chance to meet Toby Tyke (details on request).



HELLO and welcome to another hotly-anticipated game down here at Oakwell.

Early pacesetters Luton Town are today's visitors for another clash against one of the pre-season promotion favourites.

We have a wide range of some sponsorship packages available throughout the season. Phone the Marketing Department next week for more information. We also have shirt sponsorship packages available for members of the first team. Phone the Marketing Department and you could have a memento after the season ends.

The club would also like to take this opportunity to welcome our match day sponsors and their invited guests to Oakwell. Today's match sponsor is Brian Cox and the match ball sponsor is David Hunt.

Come on you Reds...

Today's Sponsors

MATCH SPONSOR

BRIAN COX



BRIAN Cox has finally found his perfect lady and will be married next weekend.

Brian had a confused upbringing; born on the wrong side of the Pennines, his family moved to Upper Denby in 1972. Under the influence of Scissett Middle School, Brian was a closet Leeds United supporter until later in the decade when his parents opened a tool stall on Barnsley market.

A job, some extra money and a short walk to Oakwell later, Brian was hooked.

For the next five years, Brian was a regular at Oakwell before family commitments saw him move to Hertfordshire. Despite the pull of Spurs, Arsenal and even Watford, Brian remained a committed Red and holds Barnsley Football Club close to his heart.

A season ticket holder for years, Brian regularly makes the 300 mile round trip up the M1 from Luton to watch matches.

On behalf of his family and friends, we hope everything goes well next week and wish future happiness for Brian and Lisa.

Good luck.

MATCH BALL SPONSOR

DAVID HUNT

LIFELONG Reds fan David Hunt will today enjoy a belated birthday celebration in the East Stand Executive Suite.

David, who celebrated his 60th birthday on July 1st, is today's match ball sponsor and is attending the game with his family.

He is a regular at Oakwell and a season ticket holder in the Pontefract Road End.

For all your sponsorship enquiries, just phone the

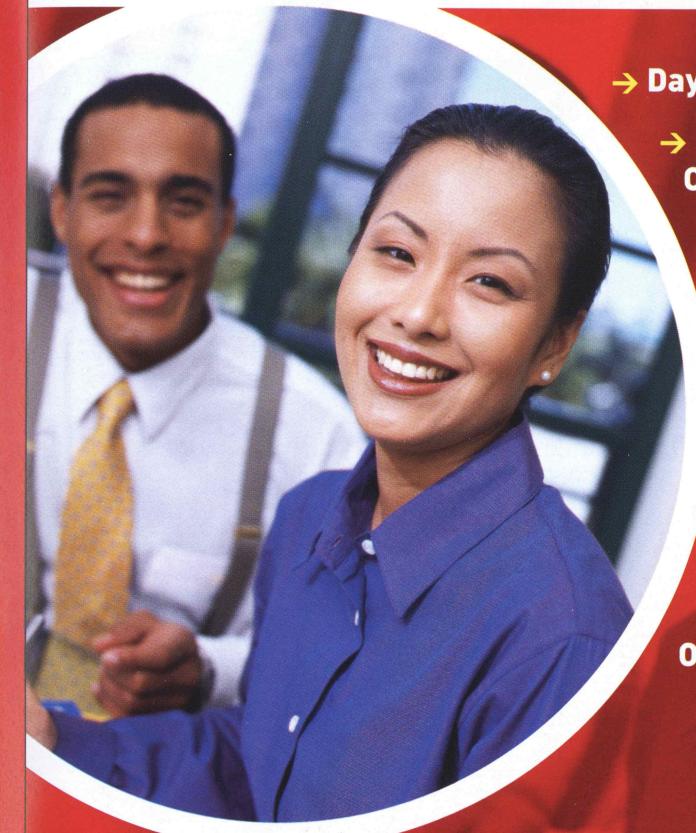
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Ask about match day corporate hospitality at Oakwell.

We can put packages together for your colleagues and guests. We can also provide advertising opportunities in the programme, on our dedicated radio station, on perimeter boards and the electronic score board as well as kit sponsorship deals.

Call the Sales Department on **01226 211211** or e-mail thereds@barnsleyfc.co.uk for further information about the fantastic opportunities available at Barnsley Football Club.

RESERVE FIXTURES

Home games in bold.

Tue Aug 17 Bradford City

Wed Sept 1 Sheffield United

Wed Sept 8 Hartlepool United

Wed Sept 15 Sheffield Wednesday

Mon Oct 4 Walsall

Mon Oct 11 Preston North End

Wed Oct 27 Tranmere Rovers

Wed Nov 10 Stoke City

Wed Nov 24 Hull City 7.00pm

Wed Dec 1 Rotherham United

Wed Dec 8 Wigan Athletic

Wed Dec 15 Walsall

Wed Jan 12 Sheffield Wednesday

Wed Jan 26 Tranmere Rovers

Wed Feb 2 Preston North End

Wed Feb 9 Hull City

Wed Feb 16 Stoke City

Wed Mar 2 Wigan Athletic

Wed Mar 9 Rotherham United 7.00pm

Wed Mar 23 Hartlepool United

Wed Mar 30 Bradford City

Wed Apr 13 Sheffield United

KO 2.00pm unless stated

RESERVES



AS far as youth development at Oakwell goes, virtually no-one has seen more than Academy Recruitment Officer Maurice Firth.

The 73-year-old former school headmaster has been working with young footballers since guiding Barnsley Boys to English Shield glory in 1957. Under Maurice's watchful eye the cream of the town's schoolboy footballers lifted the trophy again four years later.

Maurice arrived at Oakwell in 1958 when manager Johnny Steele asked him to take a youth team. During his time with the Reds, Maurice has worked with youth teams and reserve sides; spent time scouting but it is his work with the juniors - now the Academy - that has seen some of the brightest young homegrown talent come through the ranks. He has spent around 40 years in total with the club and the likes of Eric Winstanley, Pat Howard and Stewart Barrowclough all found their feet at Oakwell during Maurice's spell's with the youngsters. Nowadays he points to the emergence of Antony Kay, Neil Austin, Robbie Williams and Nicky Wroe as proof that the youth set up at Oakwell works.

Maurice said: "The current group of youngsters in the Academy set-up do fill me with confidence for the future. We had some last season that fell by the wayside but we have added to our squads and look alright. Junior football is not about results at the end of the day - it is all about development. As long as we can keep developing individuals the system and bringing them through scholarships to the first team then that is all that matters.

"I have seen that development through the Under-9s up to the Under-16s in the last few years. If these kids last the pace from 9s to 16s then they have a fair chance of making it in the Academy. We are now seeing the first group of youngsters to come all the way through the Academy system in the U-15s this year. They are the first ones - we signed them when they were U-9s and there are some good players in that group.

"We have to start young. We look at players when they are five, six or seven years old. We rely on our scouts and other people seeing the youngsters and informing us. I would then invite them into the club. Dave Hancock takes the kids and really sells the club to them. He is brilliant with the young ones and does a good job on the coaching side.

"If we can get them then we have a good chance. We know some will fall by the wayside along the way but if we do not get them when they are that age then other clubs will."

He added: "There is no crystal ball to see what will happen. Kids can fall by the wayside along the way for all sorts of reasons. They may not develop physically; they may not mentally have the right attitude to play football so you just cannot tell.

"I look at football like education. I did a maths diploma in my later days of teaching and found it difficult. I know for a fact that I had reached my level and there was no way I could get any better. Football is like that. Youngsters will reach a certain level and for whatever reason they will not be capable of going any further. The ones who can keep going and improving will make it.

"At Under-16 level this season there is certainly a couple of players who I would put my money on making the grade. There are four at U-15s who have a real chance of becoming excellent players for this club. If we can get one a year through into the first team then we are succeeding - if you get two then you are doing remarkably well.

"I was very, very pleased on Tuesday night to see Nicky Wroe make such an impact playing in the first team. I have known Nicky for years - I used to teach his father at school and I have followed him with interest through the system. I thought he did well and did not look out of place in midfield.

"When you look at the lads in the first team squad who have come through the system then you see that we are not doing too badly."

UP & COMING

ACADEMY FIXTURES

Home games in bold.

Sat Aug 21 Millwall

Sat Aug 28 Coventry City

Sat Sep 11 Wolverhampton Wanderers

Sat Sep 18 Stoke City

Sat Sep 25 Bolton Wanderers 10.45am

Sat Oct 2 Nottingham Forest

Sat Oct 9 Middlesbrough 12.00noon

Sat Oct 16 Huddersfield Town

Sat Oct 23 Sheffield Wednesday 10.30am

Sat Oct 30 Sheffield United

Sat Nov 6 Leeds United 10.30am

Sat Nov 13 Newcastle United 12.00noon

Sat Nov 20 Sunderland 12.00noon

Sat Dec 4 Derby County

Sat Dec 11 Sheffield Wednesday

Sat Jan 8 Sheffield United

Sat Jan 15 Leeds United

Sat Jan 22 Newcastle United 12.00noon

Sat Jan 29 Sunderland 12.00noon

Sat Feb 12 Derby County

Sat Feb 19 Nottingham Forest

Sat Feb 26 Sheffield Wednesday

Sat Mar 5 Middlesbrough 12.00noon

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KO 11.00Am unless stated

ACADEMY PLAYER SPONSORSHIP



NICKY WROE

Jane Utley



ROBERT ATKINSON

Jane Utley



THOMAS HARBAN

Potters of Barnsley

TICKETS & TRAVEL

GOING AWAY

WALSALL v REDS

COCA-COLA LEAGUE ONE
SATURDAY 21 AUGUST 2004
KICK-OFF 3.00PM

Barnsley Football Club travel to the Bescot Stadium on Saturday 21 August, KO 3.00pm, to face Paul Merson's Saddlers. The Reds have been initially allocated 2,000 tickets behind the goal, priced at:

Adults - £17.00
OAPs (Over 60) - £12.00
Juveniles (Under 16) - £12.00
Disabled - £12.00
Carer - £13.00

Admission to the Bescot Stadium will be payable on the turnstiles only and no tickets will be available in advance from Oakwell.

Official Reds On The Road coaches will be making the trip to Walsall. Coaches will depart Oakwell at 11.00am on the day of the game and the fare is £12.50

ROUTE TO THE BESCOT STADIUM

Exit M6 at junction 9 (signposted Wednesbury). At roundabout take third exit, the A461 towards Walsall. As road divides turn right into Wallows Lane, then in right-hand lane across set of traffic lights and turn right at the next set. Bescot Stadium is on the left behind retail park.

DARLINGTON v REDS

CARLING CUP ROUND ONE
TUESDAY 24 AUGUST 2004
KICK-OFF 7.30PM

Barnsley Football Club travel to the New Stadium on Tuesday 24 August, KO 7.30pm, to face the Quakers. The Reds have been allocated 1,000 tickets behind the goal, priced at:

Adults - £13.00
OAPs (Over 60) - £7.00
Juveniles (Under 16) - £7.00
Disabled - £7.00
Carer - £7.00

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SATURDAY (MATCHDAY)

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SATURDAY (NON MATCHDAY)

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MIDWEEK MATCHDAY

9.00am to kick-off

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Supporters are advised to purchase their tickets in advance from Oakwell.

TICKETS WILL GO ON SALE AT OAKWELL SHORTLY...

Official Reds On The Road coaches will be making the trip to Darlington. Coaches will depart Oakwell at 4.15pm on the day of the game and the fare is £11.00.

ROUTE TO THE NEW STADIUM

Leave the A1 (M) at Junction 57 and take the A66 towards Darlington/Teesside. Continue straight along the A66 going across two roundabouts. At the third roundabout you can clearly see the stadium just over on your left. Turn left at this roundabout into Neasham Road for the stadium.

WREXHAM v REDS

COCA-COLA LEAGUE ONE
MONDAY 30 AUGUST 2004
KICK-OFF 3.00PM

Barnsley Football Club travel to the Racecourse Ground on Monday 30 August, KO 3.00pm, for a tough match against the Dragons. The Reds have been allocated 2,000 tickets behind the goal, priced at:

Adults - £16.00
OAPs (Over 60) - £11.00
Juveniles (Under 16) - £11.00
Disabled - FREE
Carer - £13.00

*For disabled tickets and information phone 01978 351332

Admission to the Racecourse Ground will be payable on the turnstiles only and no tickets will be available in advance from Oakwell.

Official Reds On The Road coaches will be making the trip to Wales. Coaches will depart Oakwell at 10.30am on the day of the game and the fare is £11.50.

RULES OF THE GAME

QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS FROM THE OFFICIAL FIFA GUIDELINES 2004

LAW ONE - THE FIELD OF PLAY

1. If the crossbar breaks during a match played under the rules of a competition and there are no available means of repairing or replacing it, should the match be abandoned?

Yes. The crossbar is a part of the goal and must always be in place.

2. Is it necessary for flags to be placed at the halfway line?

No. Such flags are optional.

3. Is it permissible to mark the field of play with broken lines or furrows?

No.

4. A goalkeeper or another player draws unauthorised marks on the field of play with his foot. What action does the referee take?

If the referee notices this before the match starts, the offending player is cautioned for unsporting behaviour. If the referee notices this being done during the match, he cautions the offending player for unsporting behaviour when the ball next goes out of play.

5. Is it permitted to have additional marks made on the field of play to assist the goalkeeper?

No.

6. What are the properties of the lines that mark the field of play?

They must be clearly visible, and be not more than 12 cm (5ins) wide. The goal lines are the same width as that of the goalpost and the crossbar.

7. Can additional lines not approved in Law 1 be marked on the field of play?

No. Only lines approved in Law 1 can be marked on the field of play.

8. When a corner kick is about to be taken, can the players of the defending team be closer than the marks painted off the field of play 9.15 m. (10 yds) from the corner arc and at right angles to the touch line and the goal line?

These marks are optional and are used to assist the referee. All players of the defending team must be at least 9.15 metres (10 yards) from the ball until it is in play.

9. Can a mark be made off the field of play, 9.15 m. (10 yards) from the corner arc, at right angles to the touch line and similar to the mark made near the goal line?

Yes, but it must be off the field of play.

10. Is the area enclosed by the goal line and the goal nets part of the field of play?

No. This area is outside of the field of play.

11. Are the goal nets compulsory?

No. They are recommended whenever possible and may be required under competition rules.

12. Law 1 International F.A. Board Decision 4 states that it is not permitted for any kind of commercial advertising to be nearer than 1m. from the touch line. Is this measurement compulsory for commercial advertising placed off the goal line?

Yes. Commercial advertising must be at least 1m. from the boundary lines of the field of play.

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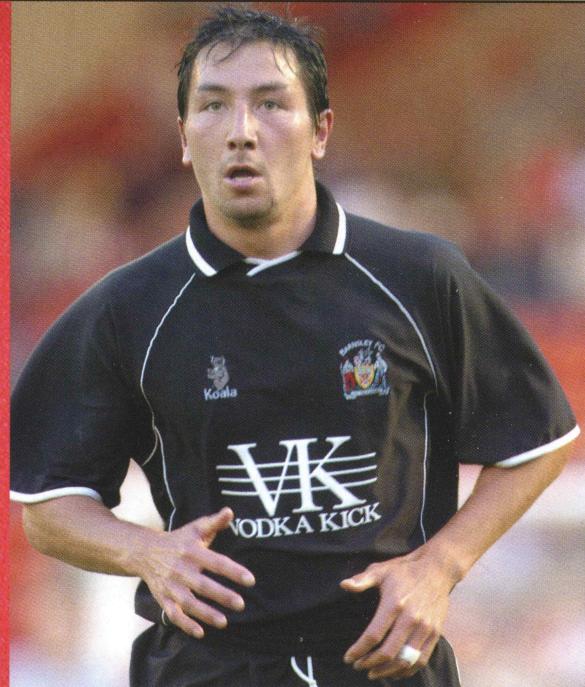
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PART 2

14. NEIL AUSTIN

DOB: 26/04/1983

POSITION: DEFENDER

England Under-20 international and a regular in the first team squad after coming through the Academy ranks at Oakwell. Austin is a former Young Player Of The Year and a tough, committed defender.

15. ANTONY KAY

DOB: 21/10/1982

POSITION: MIDFIELD

Antony's versatility saw him feature in almost every position last term and his performances won the Player Of The Year trophy. At home in midfield or defence, the Barnsley-born youngster is a vital member of the squad.

16. MARK STALLARD

DOB: 24/10/1974

POSITION: FORWARD

A marksman with a proven record at League One level after hitting a hatful of goals in a struggling Notts County side before moving to Oakwell in January 2004.

17. NICKY WROE

DOB: 28/09/1985

POSITION: MIDFIELD

Still a second year scholar with the

Reds Academy, Nicky is on the verges of the first team after impressing for the reserves. He netted his first senior goal at Stockport County on the final day of the 2003/04 campaign.

18. CHRIS SHUKER

DOB: 09/05/1982

POSITION: MIDFIELD

Tricky winger signed from Manchester City in March 2004. Chris impressed on loan with Hartlepool United last term before joining the Reds.

19. DALE TONGE

DOB: 07/05/1985

POSITION: MIDFIELD

A young midfielder who graduated from the Academy last term, Dale penned his first pro contract in the summer.

20. ROBBIE WILLIAMS

DOB: 02/10/1984

POSITION: DEFENDER

One of the successes from the Academy in recent years, Robbie has been a first team regular when fit for the last two seasons.

Struggled with injuries but a consistent performer at left back.

21. TOM BAKER

DOB: 28/03/1985

POSITION: MIDFIELD

Diminutive midfielder who graduated through the Academy at the end of last season. Tom has impressed at reserve team level for the last two campaigns.

22. DAVID SCARSELLA

DOB: 12/10/1982

POSITION: GOALKEEPER

Australian youth international 'keeper signed in the summer after training with the first team squad.

23. DANIEL NARDIELLO

DOB: 22/10/1982

POSITION: FORWARD

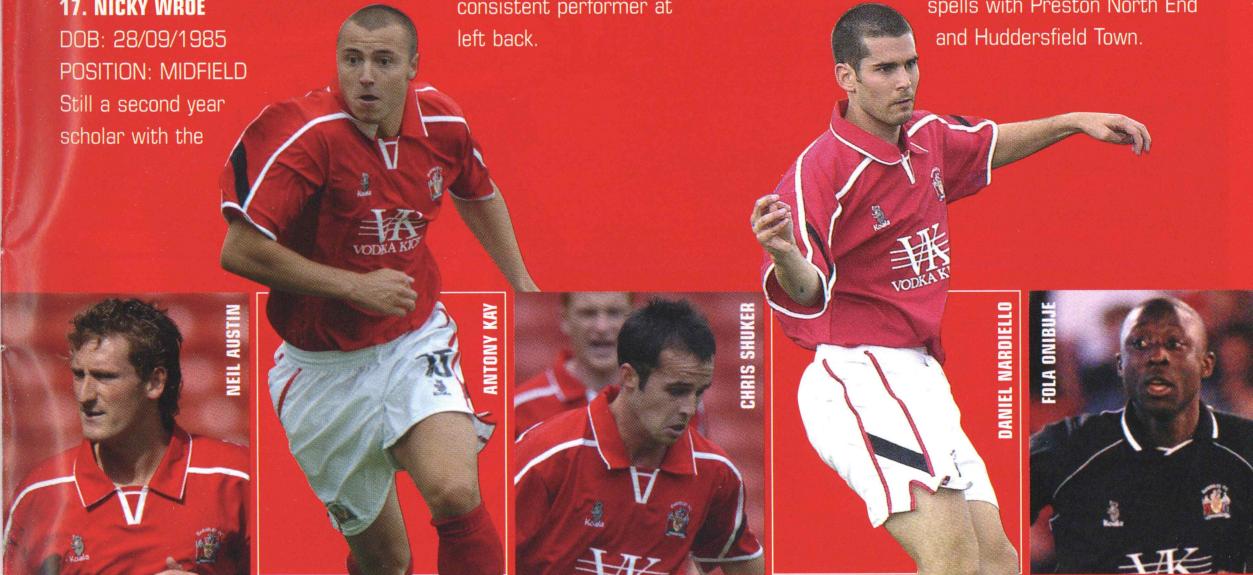
Manchester United star on loan at Oakwell for the 2004/05 campaign. Daniel is in his second spell with the club after hitting seven goals in 16 appearances on loan last season.

24. FOLA ONIBUJE

DOB: 25/09/1984

POSITION: FORWARD

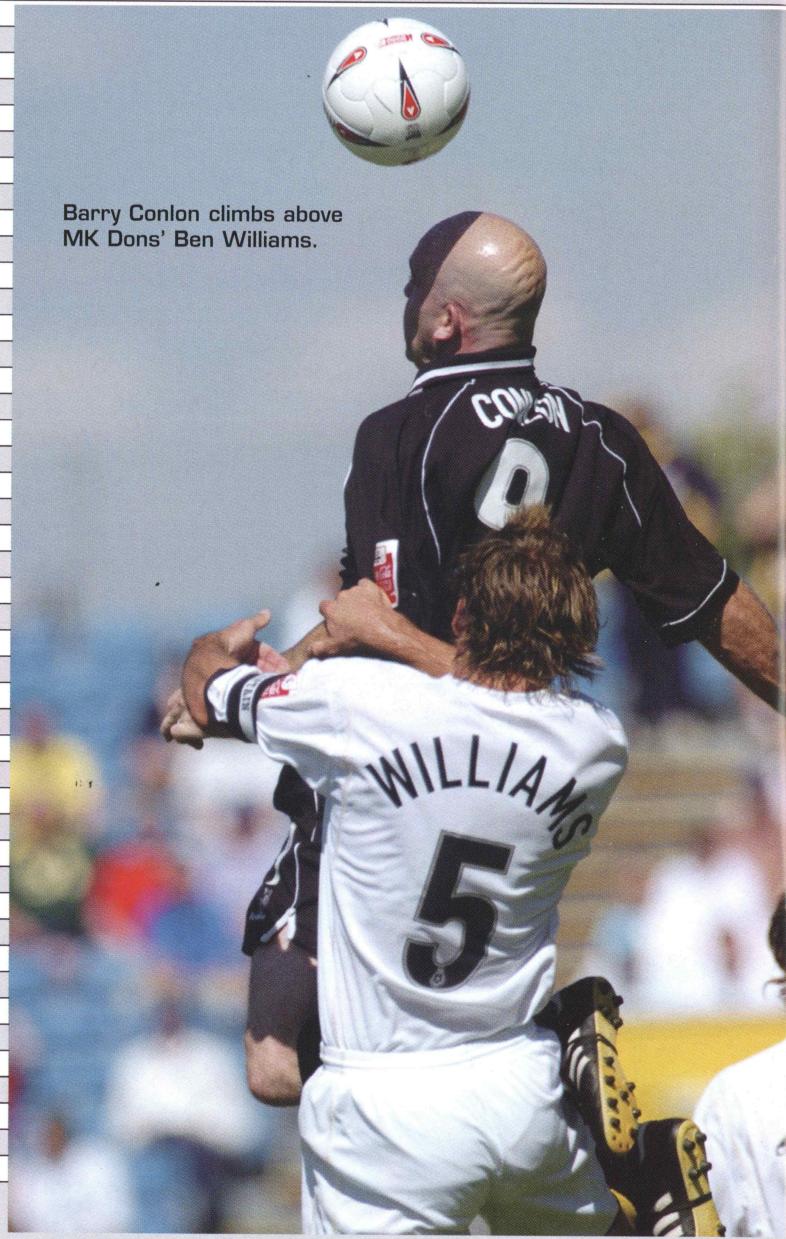
Giant Nigerian striker signed during the summer months. Fola has had spells with Preston North End and Huddersfield Town.



FIXTURE LIST 2004/05

Home games in bold. Goalscorers in bold.

► First Sub ► Second Sub ► Third Sub † Sent off



SUBSTITUTES

Conlon	Austina	Williams, R.b	Kayc	Tongeo	Burnse	Turner	Wroe	Baker	Stallard	1
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Shuker	Austin	Stallard	Scarsella	Wroe	Onibujeo					
Boulding	Scarsella	Stallard	Onibujeo	Austin	Wroe	Nardiello				

FOOTBALL LEAGUE DIVISION ONE

	P	W	D	L	F	A	W	D	L	F	A	GD	Pts
Colchester United	2	1	0	0	3	2	1	0	0	3	0	+4	6
Hull City	2	1	0	0	1	0	1	0	0	3	0	+4	6
Luton Town	2	1	0	0	2	1	1	0	0	3	2	+2	6
Wrexham	2	1	0	0	2	1	1	0	0	3	2	+2	6
Chesterfield	2	1	0	0	3	1	0	1	0	0	0	+2	4
Walsall	2	1	0	0	3	2	0	1	0	2	2	+1	4
Barnsley	2	1	0	0	2	1	0	1	0	1	1	+1	4
Huddersfield Town	2	0	1	0	0	0	1	0	0	3	2	+1	4
Peterborough Utd.	2	1	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	2	2	+1	4
Doncaster Rovers	2	1	0	0	2	0	0	0	1	3	4	+1	3
Port Vale	2	1	0	0	3	2	0	0	1	2	3	0	3
Hartlepool United	2	1	0	0	2	1	0	0	1	1	2	0	3
Tranmere Rovers	2	1	0	0	2	1	0	0	1	0	1	0	3
Brentford	2	1	0	0	4	3	0	0	1	1	3	-1	3
Sheff Wednesday	2	0	0	1	0	3	1	0	0	2	1	-2	3
Bradford City	2	0	1	0	2	2	0	0	1	1	2	-1	1
Milton Keynes	2	0	1	0	1	1	0	0	1	2	3	-1	1
Bournemouth	2	0	1	0	2	2	0	0	1	0	1	-1	1
Bristol City	2	0	1	0	1	1	0	0	1	1	2	-1	1
Torquay United	2	0	0	1	0	3	0	1	0	1	1	-3	1
Stockport County	2	0	0	1	2	3	0	0	1	2	3	-2	0
Oldham Athletic	2	0	0	1	2	3	0	0	1	1	2	-2	0
Swindon Town	2	0	0	1	2	3	0	0	1	1	2	-2	0
Blackpool	2	0	0	1	1	2	0	0	1	0	2	-3	0

FIRST TEAM APPEARANCES

Played (Sub) Goals	League	FA Cup	League Cup	Other
Neil Austin	0 (1) 0	0 (0) 0	0 (0) 0	0 (0) 0
Michael Boulding	2 (0) 0	0 (0) 0	0 (0) 0	0 (0) 0
Jacob Burns	1 (0) 0	0 (0) 0	0 (0) 0	0 (0) 0
Matt Carbon	2 (0) 0	0 (0) 0	0 (0) 0	0 (0) 0
Nick Colgan	2 (0) 0	0 (0) 0	0 (0) 0	0 (0) 0
Barry Conlon	2 (0) 0	0 (0) 0	0 (0) 0	0 (0) 0
Bobby Hassell	2 (0) 0	0 (0) 0	0 (0) 0	0 (0) 0
Stephen McPhail	2 (0) 0	0 (0) 0	0 (0) 0	0 (0) 0
Daniel Nardiello	0 (1) 0	0 (0) 0	0 (0) 0	0 (0) 0
Fola Onibujel	0 (1) 0	0 (0) 0	0 (0) 0	0 (0) 0
Paul Reid	2 (0) 1	0 (0) 0	0 (0) 0	0 (0) 0
David Scarsella	0 (0) 0	0 (0) 0	0 (0) 0	0 (0) 0
Chris Shuker	2 (0) 2	0 (0) 0	0 (0) 0	0 (0) 0
Mark Stallard	0 (0) 0	0 (0) 0	0 (0) 0	0 (0) 0
Tom Williams	2 (0) 0	0 (0) 0	0 (0) 0	0 (0) 0
Tony Vaughan	2 (0) 0	0 (0) 0	0 (0) 0	0 (0) 0
Nicky Wroe	1 (1) 0	0 (0) 0	0 (0) 0	0 (0) 0

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Watching England stumbling around the world has taken on a new dimension for me over the last four years, when I moved north of the border.

I DON'T know where you were when Ricardo chucked off his gloves and booted in THAT penalty but I bet you weren't in a pub full of jumping, jubilant Jocks.

Watching England stumbling around the world has taken on a new dimension for me over the last four years, when I moved north of the border.

I wasn't there in Portugal myself, for a number of reasons with one going by the name of Berti Vogts. Another 11 run around to no great effect in blue shirts.

But that's another story. My first direct experience of the love-hate relationship between Scotland and England (the Scots think the English love themselves and hate them for it) came in October 2000 in Rimini, Italy.

The bar was crammed with sweaty Jocks, about to head off for that football hillside, otherwise known as San Marino, and naturally I was the only Englishman there. The dilemma of how noisily to celebrate each England goal became academic as Germany ruined the Wembley farewell party.

To a man the Scots were loudly encouraging Kevin Keegan to cheer up. He didn't, he resigned minutes later.

But there was a different atmosphere the next time the Tartan Army pulled up a barstool to take in an England-Germany match.

The Scots had seen their prospects of reaching Japan and Korea reduced by a

Manchester City
manager
Kevin Keegan



Scotland manager
Berti Vogts



disappointing result, and sat in silence as Sven's boys bagged goal after goal in Munich.

June's double setbacks in Lisbon against France and the hosts were much more to their liking, of course, but there was another set of Englishmen who upset the Scots on a regular basis.

The English commentators, whose penchant for mentioning Wayne Rooney in matches when he wasn't even playing, saw beer cans regularly bounced off television screens from Banff to Balamory.

Right now, my local supermarket features a cut-out of an ever-mugging Garry Lineker about to be attacked by a Great White shark. It's his latest crisp-flogging attempt of course but if Walkers really wanted to make a packet they could stop digging up spuds for a while and just send five million copies of that picture up here. No home would be without.

The Scottish version of The Sun took up that baton with great relish during Euro 2004 by declaring sudden allegiance to England's rivals Croatia. A reporter, hurriedly renamed Darko Bolokic, was dispatched to Zagreb, where he flashed the contents of his kilt on national television.

Still, there were worse places to witness an England defeat than Glasgow, as a friend found out. "There are 50,000 Portuguese in London and 30,000 of them appear to live in my street," he lamented as yet another man with a scrubbing brush moustache waved a red and green flag at him as he trudged home from the pub.

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