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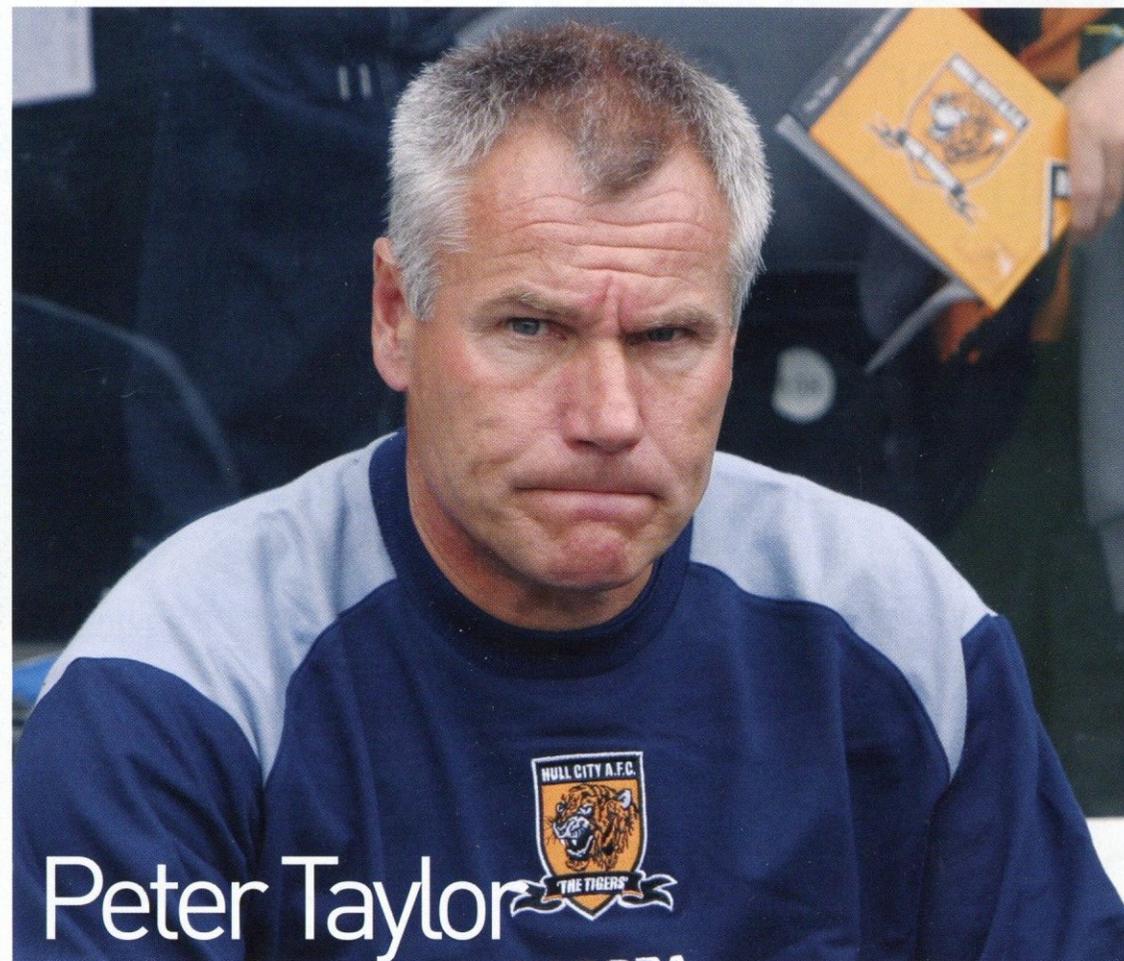
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the match

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Peter Taylor

Good afternoon and a warm welcome to everyone, especially Mike Newell and his Luton side.

There is no doubt that they were the best side in our division last season and deservedly won the league title.

I'm sure like ourselves they're enjoying life in the Championship because you get to play at some terrific grounds and almost everywhere you go there is a tremendous atmosphere.

Although we've lost our last two games, nobody inside the camp is becoming disheartened.

I can honestly say that in all the games we've played up to now, I haven't been disappointed with our performance in any of them.

At the moment it just seems that we're

not getting that little bit of luck and one or two decisions have also gone against us which have turned out to be crucial.

I also have to say that injuries have hit us harder this season than at any other stage during my time here and that obviously hasn't helped.

However, the list appears to be clearing up and Craig Fagan, who has missed the last couple of games, may have a chance of playing this afternoon.

Mark Lynch is also back in training which is great to see, but we'll still be without Keith Andrews for a further two months and Steve McPhee for one month.

Of course, we'd liked to have had more than nine points on the board but if we can keep playing as we have been I'm sure we'll start to get the rub of the green

and pick up a few more results.

It is a case of being patient and I must congratulate all of our supporters for the way they're sticking with us.

I've always said that this season would be different to the previous two and that we would need you to be patient and supportive.

So far, your backing for the team has been terrific and it is much appreciated so please keep it going today.

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Adam Pearson



Welcome to today's visitors Luton who have made a very positive start to their first season back in the second tier of the football league.

However, if we were to win today we would only be two points behind Luton which just shows how tight and competitive this league actually is.

The Championship results on Tuesday night which included Sheffield Wednesday beating Leeds and Wolves losing to Millwall at home shows quite clearly that there is not a lot to choose between all of the sides.

I thought our performance against Stoke, particularly in the first half, was good and that we deserved something out of the game. I am quite sure that at some point some of our shots and headers which are currently hitting the crossbar will go in and a penalty may even be finally awarded!

Once this fortune changes slightly we will get the rewards our play has deserved and let's hope that it starts today!

We have picked this game for our

'Kids for a Quid' initiative in order to encourage young fans to start supporting Hull City and to get use to coming to the KC Stadium.

These one off promotions will not be allowed to devalue our Season Tickets, but they are important in attracting new supporters to the club and ensuring the future growth of the club's fan base.

We are very close to securing our new Centre of Excellence training ground and I hope to have final confirmation on this over the next couple of weeks. The purchase of this land will finally give us a home for the training and matches for all our youth sides between the ages of 9 and 16.

It is imperative for the progression of the club that these young age groups have their own home and facilities to develop in as they really are the long term future of the club.

The support on Tuesday night was excellent and I am sure with the same today we could get that little bit of football fortune that turns good performances into points.

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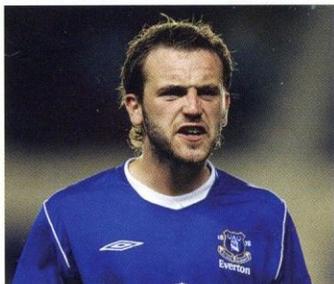
McNamee Signs On At Vicarage Road

Watford agreed a two-year contract extension with **Anthony McNamee** keeping him at Vicarage Road until the summer 2008. His previous deal was due to expire at the end of the current campaign, and the Hornets have moved quickly to secure his services for at least two more seasons after this one. The 22-year-old winger is beginning to realise his potential under manager **Adrian Boothroyd**, as has been impressive in Watford's promising start to the Championship campaign. "In the last three matches, you've seen just what a talented player Macca is," **Boothroyd** told the club's official website. "We're definitely seeing the benefits of the increase in his confidence levels."

FRIDAY
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SEPTEMBER

No Deepdale Move For McFadden

Preston manager **Billy Davies** revealed his admiration for **James McFadden** but insisted he had made no move for the out-of-favour Everton forward. The 22-year-old emerged as one of Scotland's most promising young talents when **Davies** was manager at Motherwell but has been left frustrated since a £1.25m move to Goodison Park two years ago. After losing **Richard Cresswell** to Leeds, **Davies** is keen to strengthen his strikeforce with a loan striker but is adamant no swoop for **McFadden** is on the cards. "He's a player I'd love to have at Preston



North End, don't get me wrong, he's a wonderful football player but he's with a big club at the moment and, as far as I'm concerned, I don't really see anything much taking place because of the club he's at and the situation," **Davies** said. "**James McFadden** is a player I rate very highly, he's a player I admire and he's a player I think would be wonderful for Preston but that's as far as it goes. There has been no contact and no other movement apart from an admiration from me to him."

ALSO... Norwich City eased their striker crisis by signing Charlton striker **Kevin Lisbie** on a month's loan.



SUNDAY
11
SEPTEMBER

Lions Boss Looking To Bring In New Faces

Millwall boss **Colin Lee** remained desperate to sign a number of players in the "emergency" loan market after admitting the current group of players fall short of what is required to stay in the Championship. Goals from **David Jones** and substitute **Patrick Agyemang** - either side of **Don Hutchison's** equaliser - saw the Lions crash to yet another defeat against Preston last weekend leaving **Lee** unhappy. "The reason we lost this game is because we can't handle certain situations," said **Lee**. "We have players in the team who are doing everything they can, but they are not good enough in certain areas. "Preston's second goal came because we lost our shape: we lost the ball deep in their half and they should not score from those positions."

ALSO... Southampton boss **Harry Redknapp** appealed to the club's fans to be a little more patient as their team settles into life in the Championship.

Team	Average	Best	Against
Sheff Wed	28,861	29,986	Leeds
Norwich	24,913	25,355	Coventry
Derby	24,036	25,292	Brighton
Southampton	23,523	25,744	QPR
Ipswich	23,519	24,292	Cardiff
Wolverhampton	23,350	24,745	Crystal Pal
Leicester	21,766	22,618	Sheff Wed
Coventry	21,421	23,000	QPR
Leeds	20,960	21,229	Wolves
Hull	19,933	22,201	QPR
Sheff Utd	19,385	21,059	Ipswich
Crystal Palace	19,053	21,166	Luton
Stoke	16,552	18,744	Sheff Wed
Reading	15,662	17,562	Crystal Pal
Preston	13,970	17,139	Burnley
Watford	13,564	16,802	Burnley
QPR	13,438	14,632	Ipswich
Plymouth	12,720	14,279	Derby
Burnley	11,539	12,243	Derby
Cardiff	11,296	15,231	Leeds
Luton	9,504	10,248	Wolves
Millwall	8,240	8,668	Stoke
Crewe	7,129	8,006	Burnley
Brighton	6,399	6,676	Reading

MONDAY
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SEPTEMBER

Reid Not Interested In Plymouth Job

Peter Reid played down speculation linking him with the vacant managerial post at Plymouth Argyle. The former Leeds and Coventry boss is among four men who are already understood to have been sounded out by the Devon club.



Reid, who enjoyed the most successful spell of his managerial career at Sunderland, was asked by Sky Sports News if he was interested in becoming the new Argyle boss. "At this moment in time, it's not really what I'm looking for," said **Reid**. "It's a fantastic club with a fantastic fanbase and I think, if they can give a manager two or three years to build something, then you'd have to look at it."

ALSO... Southampton snapped up Promising former Darlington winger **Jason St Juste** snapped on a short-term contract.

TUESDAY
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Davenport Heads For Carrow Road

Norwich City completed a deal to bring Tottenham Hotspur defender **Calum Davenport** to Carrow Road on a three-month loan.

The 22-year-old was being chased by a number of clubs, but City manager **Nigel Worthington** managed to persuade the England Under-21 international to sign for the Canaries.



Speaking to the club's official website, **Davenport** said: "I haven't been playing football at Spurs so I'm delighted to be coming to Norwich to hopefully play some games. "Norwich are a big club and hopefully I can help them achieve what everyone wants them to achieve - promotion to the Premiership."

Worthington added: "I'm delighted we have got **Calum Davenport** on a three-month loan. He is a player that we have been working on getting in for a few weeks and he will add experience and quality to our current group of players."

ALSO... Millwall strengthened their squad with two loan signings bringing in **Ade Williams** from Coventry and **Philip Ifil** from Tottenham.

SATURDAY
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SEPTEMBER

Blackwell Pleased With Competition

Manager **Kevin Blackwell** stated his belief that his Leeds United side are benefiting from having greater competition for places at Elland Road this season.

United have strengthened this season, especially up front where **David Healy**, **Rob Hulse**, **Richard Cresswell**, **Robbie Blake** and **Ian Moore** are competing for a place in the starting line-up.

"I have players capable of coming in and doing the business for us, and that can be a problem for some of them because they know if they miss a game it's going to be very hard for them to get their place back," **Blackwell** told the club's website.

"That's the great thing about having competition for places."

ALSO... Ipswich Town's on-loan Spanish defender **Sito** is hoping his performances for the Tractor Boys will earn him a permanent deal at Portman Road.



Most Shots On Target	Most Shots Off Target	Most Shots Without a Goal
Dean Ashton (Norwich) 19, Kenny Miller (Wolverhampton) 16, Andrew Johnson (Crystal Palace) 16, Stuart Elliott (Hull) 15, Cameron Jerome (Cardiff) 15, Ade Akinbiyi (Burnley) 14.	Mamady Sidibe (Stoke) 13, Dean Ashton (Norwich) 12, Micky Evans (Plymouth) 11, Paul Furlong (QPR) 11, Chris Brunt (Sheff Wed) 11, Akos Buzsaky (Plymouth) 10.	Kenny Miller (Wolverhampton) 23, Paul Furlong (QPR) 21, Chris Brunt (Sheff Wed) 17, Gareth Williams (Leicester) 17, Akos Buzsaky (Plymouth) 13.



Reserves & Youth update

Reserves Suffer First Defeat

The Tigers reserves went down to their first defeat of the season when they were beaten 2-0 by Scarborough at Church Road.

Manager Colin Murphy fielded a very young side for this game, with eight of the starting line-up having played for the juniors in their previous fixture at Bradford.

The substitutes bench was also youthful, including three members of the Under 16 squad.

The first chance of the game fell to the visitors, but Jimmy Beadle hit his volley high over the bar after the ball had been nodded into his path.

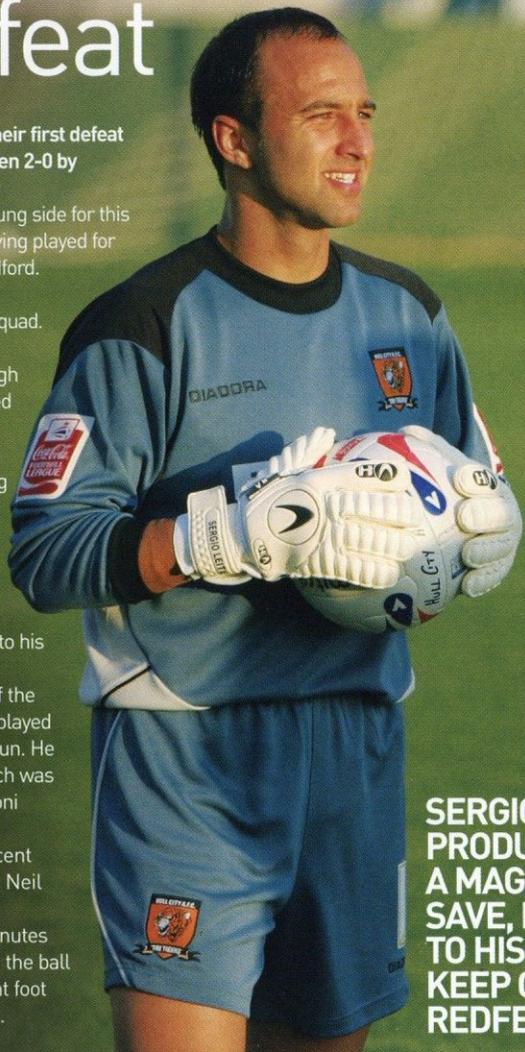
City responded well, with James Bennett and Paul Anderson both having opportunities to equalise.

But it was Scarborough who took the lead 11 minutes before half time. The home defence failed to stop a low cross from the right and the unfortunate Michael Byron could only divert the ball into his own net.

The Tigers created their best opening of the game early in the second half. Anderson played the ball into the path of Ben Wilkinson's run. He turned before firing in a left foot shot which was brilliantly tipped away by goalkeeper Antoni Pecora, a former City trialist.

Sergio Leite then produced a magnificent save, flying high to his left to keep out a Neil Redfearn shot.

Scarborough sealed the win with 16 minutes remaining. Substitute Ryan Blott allowed the ball to run across his body before firing a right foot shot from the edge of the area past Leite.



SERGIO LEITE PRODUCED A MAGNIFICENT SAVE, FLYING HIGH TO HIS LEFT TO KEEP OUT A NEIL REDFEARN SHOT

Juniors

HARTLEPOOL UTD 1 HULL CITY 3

Saturday 10 September

The Tigers' juniors made it four wins in a row last weekend as they won 3-1 at Hartlepool United.

A lot of Billy Russell's players were backing up having played in the reserves last Wednesday but it didn't show as they turned in an impressive display.

The home side had the better of the opening 20 minutes and only a fantastic triple-save from Neil Thompson prevented them from taking the lead.

In the second part of the first half though, the Tigers came into the game more and went in front when Paul Anderson's strike found its way into the net via a minor deflection.

It stayed at 1-0 going into halftime and Hartlepool came out the brighter in the second period, hitting the post early on.

That was a warning for City and one that they didn't heed as the home side did manage to get themselves back on level terms.

For a while it looked as though the game would end in a draw but the Tigers took all three points with a couple of late goals.

Schoolboy Joe Lamplough, who had come on as a substitute for the injured James McGarry, got the first before Nicky Featherstone wrapped up the victory late on with a good individual strike.

It was a big win for the Tigers and their season continues today when they travel to Doncaster Rovers.

HCAFC Reserves

PONTIN'S HOLIDAYS LEAGUE FIXTURES 05/06

Wed Aug 17	Scunthorpe United	W3-2
Wed Aug 31	Huddersfield T (Lge Cup)	W3-0
Wed Sep 07	Scarborough	L0-2
Wed Sep 21	Hartlepool United A 2.00pm	
Wed Oct 05	Grimsby Town H 7.00pm	
Wed Oct 12	League Cup	
Wed Oct 19	Doncaster H 7.00pm	
Wed Oct 26	Lincoln City A	
Wed Nov 09	York City A 2.00pm	
Wed Nov 16	Sheffield United (B) H 2.00pm	
Mon Nov 28	Darlington A 2.00pm	
Wed Dec 07	League Cup	
Wed Dec 14	Scunthorpe United H 2.00pm	
Wed Jan 11	Scarborough A 7.00pm	
Wed Jan 25	Hartlepool United H 2.00pm	
Wed Feb 01	League Cup Quarter Final	
Wed Feb 08	Darlington H 2.00pm	
Tue Feb 21	Doncaster Rovers A 2.00pm	
Wed Mar 08	Grimsby Town A 2.00pm	
Wed Mar 22	League Cup Semi Final	
Wed Mar 29	Lincoln City H 7.00pm	
Wed Apr 05	York City H 7.00pm	
Tue Apr 18	Sheffield United (B) A 7.00pm	
Wed Apr 26	Play Off Semi Final	
Tue May 02	Play Off Final	
Tue May 09	League Cup Final	

Hull City home matches will be played at North Ferraby United Football Club.

Division One East

	Pld	W	D	L	F	A	GD	Pts
Lincoln City	3	2	1	0	4	1	+3	7
Scarborough	3	2	0	1	4	1	+3	6
Darlington	3	2	0	1	5	0	5	6
Sheffield Utd B	3	1	1	1	7	5	+2	4
Hartlepool Utd	3	1	1	1	4	4	0	4
Doncaster R	2	1	0	1	2	2	0	3
Hull City	2	1	0	1	3	4	-1	3
York City	2	1	0	1	2	3	-1	3
Scunthorpe Utd	2	0	1	1	2	3	-1	1
Grimsby	3	0	0	3	3	8	-5	0

Leading Scorers

	App	Sub	Gls
Ellison, Kevin	2	-	4
Burgess, Ben	1	-	2
Anderson, Paul	2	-	-
Atkinson, Will	1	2	-
Allanson, Ashley	2	-	-
Bennett, James	2	1	-
Briggs, Tom	3	-	-
Byron, Michael	2	1	-
Edge, Roland	1	-	-
Featherstone, Nicky	1	1	-
Fry, Russell	2	-	-
Hotte, Nathan	2	-	-
Joseph, Marc	1	-	-
Leite, Sergio	3	-	-
McGarry, James	-	2	-
Plummer, Michael	1	-	-
Price, Jason	1	-	-
Wilkinson, Ben	3	-	-
Wiseman, Scott	1	-	-

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HCAFC Juniors

THE FOOTBALL LEAGUE FIXTURES 05/06

Fri Aug 12	Scunthorpe United	W3-0
Fri Aug 19	Notts County	W3-1
Sat Sep 03	Bradford City	W2-0
Sat Sep 10	Hartlepool Untied	W3-1
Sat Sep 17	Doncaster Rovers A 11.00am	
Sat Sep 24	Walsall A 11.00am Cup Round 1	
Sat Oct 01	Chesterfield A 11.00am	
Sat Oct 08	Rotherham United H 11.00am	
Sat Oct 15	Mansfield Town H 11.00am	
Sat Oct 22	Cup Round 2	
Sat Oct 22	Lincoln City A 11.00am	
Sat Nov 05	Boston United A 11.00am	
Sat Nov 12	Darlington H 11.00am	
Sat Nov 19	Cup Round 3	
Sat Nov 26	Grimsby Town A 11.00am	
Sat Dec 03	York City H 11.00am	
Sat Dec 10	Chesterfield H 11.00am	
Sat Dec 17	Rotherham United A 11.00am	
Sat Jan 07	Lincoln City H 11.00am	
Sat Jan 14	Mansfield Town A 11.00am	
Sat Jan 21	Boston United H 11.00am	
Sat Feb 04	Darlington A 11.00am	
Sat Feb 11	Cup Q/F	
Sat Feb 18	York City A 11.00am	
Sat Feb 25	Grimsby Town H 11.00am	
Sat Mar 11	Scunthorpe United A 11.00am	
Sat Mar 18	Notts County A 11.00am	
Sat Mar 25	Bradford City H 11.00am	
Sat Apr 08	Hartlepool United H 12.00 Noon	
Sat Apr 15	Doncaster Rovers H 11.00am	

Hull City Home matches will be played at Winterton Rangers Football Club

North & Midlands East Conference

	Pld	W	D	L	F	A	GD	Pts
Hull City	4	4	0	0	11	2	+9	12
Chesterfield	4	4	0	0	9	1	+8	12
Rotherham Utd	4	3	0	1	10	8	+2	9
Grimsby Town	4	2	1	1	10	5	+5	7
Hartlepool Utd	4	2	0	2	10	8	+2	6
Darlington	4	2	0	2	9	7	+2	6
Doncaster R	4	2	0	2	8	6	+2	6
Scunthorpe Utd	4	2	0	2	5	9	-4	6
Boston United	4	1	1	2	6	8	-2	4
Mansfield Town	4	1	1	2	5	10	-5	4
Bradford City	4	1	0	3	6	9	-3	3
Notts County	4	1	0	3	3	7	-4	3
York City	4	0	2	2	4	9	-5	2
Lincoln City	4	0	1	3	5	12	-7	1

Leading Scorers

	App	Sub	Gls
Anderson, Paul	3	-	4
Featherstone, Nicky	2	-	2
Wilkinson, Ben	4	-	2
Atkinson, Will	4	-	1
McGarry, James	3	1	1
Allanson, Aaron	-	1	-

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The October edition of 'CITY', the new official monthly magazine and DVD of Hull City AFC, will be available in Tiger Leisure from mid-day on Friday 30th September and all other participating retail outlets from Saturday 1st October priced £4.99.

Issue 2 includes an in depth look at Peter Taylor's playing career with Southend, Palace and Spurs and a fascinating look at Colin Murphy's top 11 footballing finds with humorous comments and anecdotes from the likes of Glenn Cockerill, Mick Harford and Stan Collymore. Bo Myhill goes under the spotlight, Marc Joseph selects his all time World XI and ITV's Matt Smith looks at the opening two months of the Championship.

October's DVD catches up with goal machine and former terrace hero Andy Payton as we visit his home in Burnley, Mike Edwards relives the 3-1 victory over high flying Chesterfield at Boothferry Park in 2001 as the Tigers closed in on the play-offs and Chairman Adam Pearson brings you an exclusive update on the all things stadium including the proposed extension and casino development.

Don't forget - subscriptions and individual orders for CITY Magazine can be purchased online from www.tigerleisure.com or in person from Tiger Leisure stores.

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Celebrating Warden Success Up and Down the Country

As part of National Wardens Week, Hull's Community Wardens have been taking part in a series of fundraising events to raise their profile and to raise money for worthwhile charities.

Their chosen charities this year are Help the Aged and the New Yundum Goodwin Link - a charity helping villagers in Africa.

The Hull Community Warden scheme is the largest (with over 130 wardens) and most developed warden scheme in the UK. A Centre of Excellence is also based in Hull, providing training and support to other warden schemes both regionally and across the country.

Throughout the summer, over 300 young people aged 8-13 have been involved in their award winning Junior Warden Scheme, each developing citizenship skills, cleaning up the environment and learning how to look after themselves and their community.

To round off National Warden Week, 9 lucky Junior Wardens have been selected to take part in a penalty shoot out at half-time today, with each taking a penalty against mascots Roary the Tiger and Wilberforce the Warden. It's all for fun and each Junior Warden will be representing their local community, so make sure you cheer on your local Junior Warden!

Junior Wardens representing your community: Anlaby Road - Daniel Banks; Beverley Road - Ryan Walley; Central Bransholme - Jonathan Brown; Hessle Road - Rebecca Winfield; Northern Hull - Ammar Mansour; Orchard Park - Nathan Shirtliff; Spring Bank - Emma Basset; Thornton - Jamie Williams; Preston Road - Matthew Houghton.



Hull
Community Wardens

Sporting Dinner

Hull City AFC are proud to be hosting a Sporting Dinner at the KC Stadium on Thursday 27th October 2005. Guest speakers for the evening will be sporting legend and former World Snooker Champion Dennis Taylor and former Premiership referee Jeff Winter.

Tables of 10 are priced at £400 + VAT which includes a superb 3-course meal. The evening will be hosted by MC Vince Miller, and a raffle and auction will take place throughout the evening.

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MAN OF THE MATCH



Mike Holdstock of Holdstock Nicholls Train presents Curtis Woodhouse with the Man of the Match tankard following the Tigers' 1-0 defeat against Stoke City.

Man of the Match presentations are sponsored in association with Ridings Asset Finance, Premier Club Members.

SENIOR TIGERS

The next meeting will be on Thursday 6th October at 1.45pm, when the Tigers physio Simon Maltby will be the guest speaker.

Bookings will also be taken at this meeting for our Christmas lunch on Thursday 1st December.

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If you have any information on any individual bringing the club's name into disrepute please call 01482 304732. All calls will be dealt with in the strictest of confidence.

Green Prepared to Fight for Place

Stuart Green is the first to admit that his season hasn't really got going yet, but he is hopeful of getting the chance to shine this afternoon against Luton.

"I'd love to start," he said. "Although I'm no different to any other player in this squad in that I want to start every single game.

"It has been a little bit disappointing and frustrating for me so far because I don't feel I've really got my season going yet.

"But you look at it and we're doing well. We're mid-table and I think everyone is happy with that."

Green has been one of the stars in the recent success achieved by the Tigers and is desperate to get his chance, and if that doesn't come today, the former Newcastle man will work even harder to try and make sure it comes next week.

"We'll have to wait and see what happens. If I'm in the side then great. If not, I'll get my head down and work even harder.

"It's a team game. We've started well although it would help if we could score a few more goals.

"But that will improve when we settle down and get used to life in this league.

"We have created chances. Last season, we were getting around 10 chances every game.

"But this year in the Championship, we're perhaps only getting three."

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Delaney Takes the Positives

Despite coming into the game on the back of two defeats, confidence is high in the City camp according to Damien Delaney.

After producing two good performances against Crystal Palace and Stoke City the Irish defender believes that the Tigers can take a lot of positives from the games.

"We were unlucky against Crystal Palace," he said.

"Nick Barmby hit the bar and if that had gone in it might have been a completely different story.

"But that's just the way it goes in football. They took their chances when they came and that is the main reason why we lost the game.

"However, there were a lot more positives than negatives to take out of both games," he added.

"We passed the ball around quite well and more than matched them all over the park.

"The only difference was that they put the ball in the net and we didn't."

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"It's Good To Be Back" - Cort

Following a five-match absence with an ankle injury, the Tigers' fans were delighted to see Leon Cort back in action in the recent fixtures against Crystal Palace and Stoke City and the big defender felt exactly the same way.

"It feels really good to be back in the team," he said.

"Especially the game against Stoke because my fitness levels were getting back up again and I'm getting back into things..

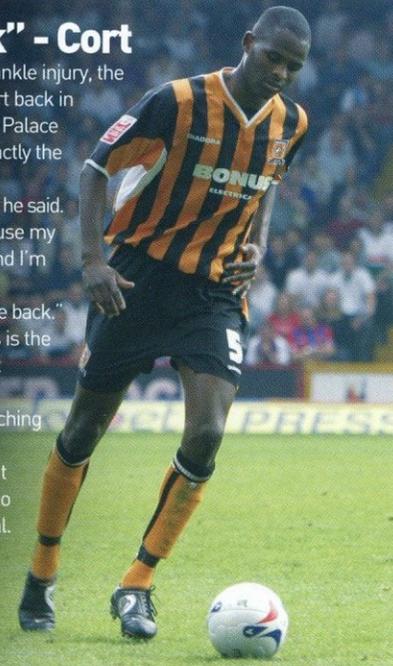
"Apart from the results it's really good to be back."

It's often said watching from the sidelines is the hardest thing for a footballer to do and Cort certainly wouldn't disagree.

"It was horrible! You just feel useless watching from the sidelines.

"There's nothing you can do about things that are happening on the pitch. You've just got to bide your time and wait for the injury to heal.

"I'M JUST GLAD TO BE BACK IN TRAINING AND BACK IN THE THICK OF THINGS."



Elliott Not Panicking

After a promising start to life in the Championship, the Tigers come into today's game on the back of consecutive defeats but Stuart Elliott isn't getting too worried just yet.

"Before the season began we knew things wouldn't go our own way all of the time," he said.

"There were always going to be setbacks but it's very early on in the season and as professional footballers you know there's going to be ups and downs throughout the campaign.

"Hopefully we'll have more good times than bad. We've got to knuckle down now and we have to start with victory today."

Tuesday night's defeat against Stoke saw the Tigers incur bad luck once again with the crossbar denying the Northern Irishman a goal along with the referee failing to award the home side a penalty following a clear foul on Nick Barmby by Stoke defender Marlon Broomes.

"Against Stoke the result could have been so different had we had that little bit of luck on our side.

"We could have had a penalty and I hit the underside of the bar again.

On another night they'd go our way and the match turns on its head.

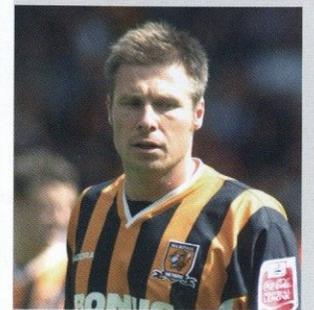
"We're not getting the rub of the green at the minute but that will soon change and will even itself out during the course of the season."

So I said to him 'I want to spend that £150,000' and he asked me how many players we were getting for that - I said one and he went potty.

City

Colin Murphy in the October issue of 'CITY' Magazine

Barmby Looking For Goals



Goals have been hard to come by for the Tigers so far this season but Nick Barmby is hoping the level of performance shown by the side will soon be reflected in the goals column.

The former England international is one of six players to have found the back of the net for the club in all competitions but that statistic could have been much better had the Tigers experienced a bit of luck over recent weeks.

In the last three fixtures, City have been denied by the woodwork on six occasions and despite being happy with team performances, Barmby is keen to improve on the goal tally.

"We can take a lot out of the games but we know it's all about sticking the ball in the back of the net," he said.

"You can play well in spells but you've got to take your chances at this level, even if they are just half chances.

"That's the big difference between the Championship and League One.

"But we're not a million miles away. The lads were disappointed to lose against Palace and Stoke but we've proved we can compete with the best sides.

"We haven't seen anything to worry us so far and we can carry on going into games full of confidence."

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Luton Town

BY TREVOR BUGG

For some strange reason, Luton Town continue to surprise their Championship rivals but one place where they definitely will be not underestimated is here at the KC Stadium.

2004-05 was a magnificent season for the Tigers but the fact remains that the Hatters finished fully twelve points ahead of us - only two short of the magical 100-point mark - to clinch the League One title.

It was a fantastic achievement by manager Mike Newell and his men. The quietly confident Liverpoolian, who was the first 'opposing' manager for a league game at the KC when he was in charge at Hartlepool United in December 2002, took

over at Kenilworth Road in the summer of 2003 when the Bedfordshire club was in the grip of administration.

The Hatters have come a long way from those difficult days, but the former Blackburn Rovers striker showed no fear as they kicked-off the new Championship season: "If you can get into the habit of not losing and of winning games then it's a great habit to have and that's what we're doing.

"We're on a bit of a roll and I hope it continues. But that roll doesn't just happen - it comes by good players working hard for one another and there's a feeling here that all the players will give us everything.

"What you want to have is a settled side and that's what we've got. If we do bring in new players we want them to be better than what we've already got and that's not always possible."

Having already taken three points off Crystal Palace, Southampton, Leicester City and Millwall, the Town chief reflected on their bright start: "All we have done is prove to ourselves that we might be able to cope at this level.

"I will not say that my ambition is to stay in this league, because that is a negative ambition. There is no reason why my players should not have confidence. They deserved a chance to prove themselves at this level."



Mike Newell

Last Saturday was a big day for Luton Town. The Hatters celebrated the 100th anniversary of the first game played at Kenilworth Road - a Southern League game against Plymouth Argyle. It was also the first game for Luton Town AD - After Davies.

With the current League One champions having had such an impressive start in the Championship, it isn't a surprise that envious eyes have been cast around the Kenilworth ranks.

One of the jewels in the Hatters' crown was 20 year-old centre-back **Curtis Davies**. Many of Town's former players took part in the 100th anniversary celebrations and young Curtis could have joined them as, on Transfer Deadline Day, he joined West Bromwich Albion for a club record £3million.

For a club that was on the brink of financial collapse not too long ago, the massive offer could not be ignored. It beat the £2.5 million they received from Arsenal for **John Hartson** in January 1995.

Although resigned to losing such a gifted performer, manager **Mike Newell** took it



KEVIN NICHOLLS AND STEVE ROBINSON HAVE BECOME STALWART FIGURES IN THE HATTERS MIDFIELD.

all in his measured stride: "West Brom came up with our valuation for the player, and once they matched it we were not going to stand in **Curtis**' way to speak with the club. We certainly didn't want to keep pushing the asking price. "We always had a valuation for **Curtis**, even in the early days, and that may have surprised a

few teams but we have been proved right. There were three or four clubs that had made offers for him but West Brom have matched our valuation. "We are obviously disappointed to lose **Curtis** and because the deal was done so late in the day we don't have time to replace him. However, he is a top

player, who will play in the Premiership and has the world at his feet. We would not stand in his way.

"We have obviously lost one of our best young players but at the end of the day it's only one player. We have missed key players before through suspension and injuries and we have battled on."



Chris Coyne

Curtis' departure has earned a recall for one of last season's heroes, **Chris Coyne**. The duo were two of six Hatters voted in to the PFA League One Team of the Year but Saturday's visit

ONE TO WATCH: Ahmet Brkovic



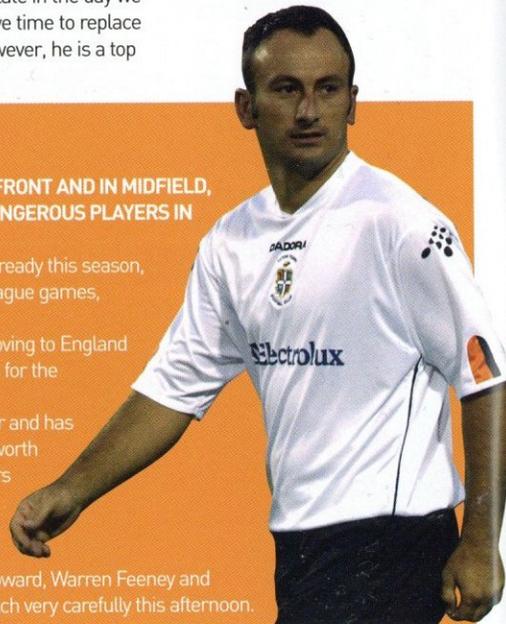
LUTON POSSESS A LOT OF ATTACKING QUALITY, BOTH UP FRONT AND IN MIDFIELD, AND IN AHMET BRKOVIC THEY HAVE ONE OF THE MOST DANGEROUS PLAYERS IN THE CHAMPIONSHIP.

The Croatian midfielder has been one of the stars for Luton already this season, and he found the back of the net three times in the first five league games, including the winner at Crystal Palace on the opening day.

Brkovic started his career at his home-town club, HNK Dubrovnik, before moving to England and signing for Leyton Orient in October 1999. Brkovic made 82 appearances for the Brisbane Road outfit, scoring nine goals.

After two years with Orient, Brkovic made the move to Luton on a free transfer and has since become a firm favourite with the fans. In 156 appearances for the Kenilworth Road side, Brkovic has scored 30 goals, including the winner against the Tigers in the away game with the Hatters last season.

Brkovic signed an extension to his contract during the summer after helping Luton to their League One title success. The tricky playmaker usually plies his trade on the right side of midfield and provides quality service to Steve Howard, Warren Feeney and Enoch Showunmi up front. Brkovic is a player that the Tigers will have to watch very carefully this afternoon.



from Wolverhampton Wanderers was the Brisbane-born former West Ham United defender's first start of the new league season.

In effect, the new boy at the heart of the Hatters rearguard is **Markus Heikkinen**. A Finnish international who played in the Champions League for HJK Helsinki, the 26 year-old made 30 appearances for Aberdeen in the SPL last season before joining Luton in the summer on a two-year contract. He was doubtful for Tuesday's visit to Queens Park Rangers with a groin problem so **Russell Perrett** was put on standby.

The Wolves game also saw changes in both full-back positions. On the right, **Kevin Foley** suffered a knee injury in the previous week's win against Millwall so **Carlos Edwards** took over in an



Steve Howard

unfamiliar defensive role. A Trinidad & Tobago international, **Carlos** was signed from Wrexham in the summer and is more used to a right-wing role.

At left-back, **Sol Davis** - the former Swindon Town man who was a near ever-present last season - came in for his first Championship start. That allowed the cultured **Paul Underwood** to move to a more advanced left wing duty. The 32



Carlos Edwards

year-old came into the Football League with Rushden & Diamonds having spent much of his career in non-league circles.

The man to drop out was their third summer signing, **Dean Morgan** from Reading. He is a former colleague of **Craig Fagan** at Colchester United.

Kevin Nicholls and **Steve Robinson** have become stalwart figures in the Hatters midfield. Previously with Charlton Athletic and Wigan Athletic, captain **Kevin** has been the model of consistency. One of **Stuart Elliott's** Northern Ireland team mates, 30 year-old **Steve Robinson** lists Tottenham Hotspur, AFC Bournemouth and Preston North End amongst his former clubs.

Of course, the main supplier of goals from midfield is the skilful **Ahmet Brkovic**. The Croat who joined Leyton Orient when he came to England in 1999 will be 31 in ten days time. He netted 16 goals last season including, as you'll probably remember, the last-gasp winner in our top-of-the-table clash at Kenilworth Road in February.

Midfielder **Peter Holmes**, the club's current longest-serving player, has been a regular on the bench.

Big **Steve Howard** returned to the forward line against Wolves

having served a three-match ban following his controversial sending-off against Stoke City. It was the fourth time the former Hartlepool United centre-forward had been dismissed since joining Luton from Northampton in March 2001. 6ft 3ins **Enoch Showunmi** stepped down to allow for the more experienced man's return.

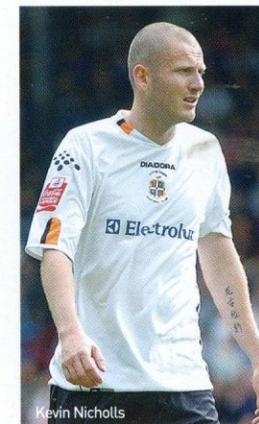
Steve was partnered by Warren Feeney. The £150,000 signing from Stockport County in March scored Northern



Kevin Foley

Ireland's second in the 2-0 win over Azerbaijan last week after **Stuart Elliott** had given NI the lead.

At the other end, 36 year-old **Marlon Beresford** is firmly in possession of the Luton gloves with 20 year-old **Dean Brill** the goalkeeping back-up.



Kevin Nicholls

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PROBABLE LINE-UP



- 1. Marlon Beresford, 7. Carlos Edwards
- 4. Chris Coyne, 26. Markus Heikkinen
- 3. Sol Davis, 18. Ahmet Brkovic
- 8. Kevin Nicholls (captain)
- 11. Steve Robinson, 6. Paul Underwood
- 10. Warren Feeney, 19. Steve Howard

Formed: 1885
Nickname: The Hatters
Stadium: Kenilworth Road
Capacity: 9,500
Most League Appearances: Bob Morton, 494
Most League Goals: Gordon Turner, 243
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- Luton Town 1 Hull City 0 League One February 12th, 2005
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- Luton Town 0 Hull City 1 Division Three November 20th, 2001
- Luton Town 1 Hull City 2 English FA Cup December 5th, 1998

Opposing View

WITH LUTON'S
STEVE ROBINSON

Steve Robinson is having a pretty good year. After winning promotion with Luton at the end of last season, he has enjoyed a flying start to this Championship campaign with the Hatters and was involved with the Northern Ireland squad that recently embarrassed England at Windsor Park.

The 30-year old midfielder is flying at the moment and has played in all of the first seven league matches of the season.

Robinson arrived at Kenilworth Road in June 2002 from Preston North End. He started his career at Tottenham, who he signed for as a trainee, but he left White Hart Lane having made only two league appearances for the club.

He went on to join Bournemouth, the club at which he made his name. Robinson spent nearly six years on the South Coast, playing nearly 300 games and scoring 62 goals.

He left Bournemouth for Preston at the end of the 1999/2000 season in a deal worth £375,000, but he never really made an impact at Deepdale and made just 29 appearances in two years.

After a loan spell at Bristol

City, he found himself at Luton, and at the moment, things couldn't be going better for him, both with his club and his country.

The victory for Northern Ireland over England caused a national outcry, with both the media and supporters calling for the head of manager Sven-Goran Eriksson. Few seem to have given credit to the Irish for their gutsy performance, which might seem slightly unfair.

But speaking to The Luton News, Robinson didn't seem to mind.

"It was a fantastic week, with two great wins for Northern Ireland.

"The Azerbaijan game was one we thought we could win, but the England game, you're talking about playing against some of the best players in the world.

"But the atmosphere in there was absolutely frightening. The whole stadium was shaking and I thought it was going to fall down at one stage."

Robinson was a non-playing substitute on the night, and was joined on the bench by his Luton team-mate Warren Feeney, who came on late in the game and almost added a second goal. Even though Robinson didn't make it onto

the pitch, he admits he was just pleased to be involved on the day.

"I was only on the bench, but it was great to be a part of it and hopefully we can take some of that feeling back to Luton."

Nobody knows how to celebrate like the Irish, and Robinson says that the whole of the country was buzzing that night.

"The people out there don't have a lot of success, but when they get some they certainly know how to celebrate!

"I heard that, apparently, I was out drinking with some Radio One DJ, but that wasn't true!"

His success with Northern Ireland was the perfect follow-up to what has been a fantastic 12 months with Luton. The Hatters, of course, beat our very own Tigers to the League One title last season and have gone on to make a very impressive start this campaign.

Many pundits predicted that Luton would struggle in the Championship and that ourselves and Sheffield Wednesday would be the two teams that would find the transition into the higher division much easier.

At the moment, those pundits are being proved wrong. After impressive, and

deserved, opening week victories against Crystal Palace and Southampton, Luton have gone on to earn a place in the top six of the table.

They have also beaten Leicester and Millwall, and have held Wolves to a draw, proving to any doubters that they do mean business.

The sale of Curtis Davies to West Brom for £3million may have been a blow to the side, but Luton are determined to carry on their good start to the season. So far, they have found goals fairly easy to come by in this league, with Ahmet Brkovic and Kevin Nicholls providing the majority. The City defence will have to be on their guard today.

But Robinson feels that this might well only be the beginning, believing that the Hatters can go on to achieve even more.

"We've had a great start, but you're always looking to improve as a player and as a team, no matter who you are.

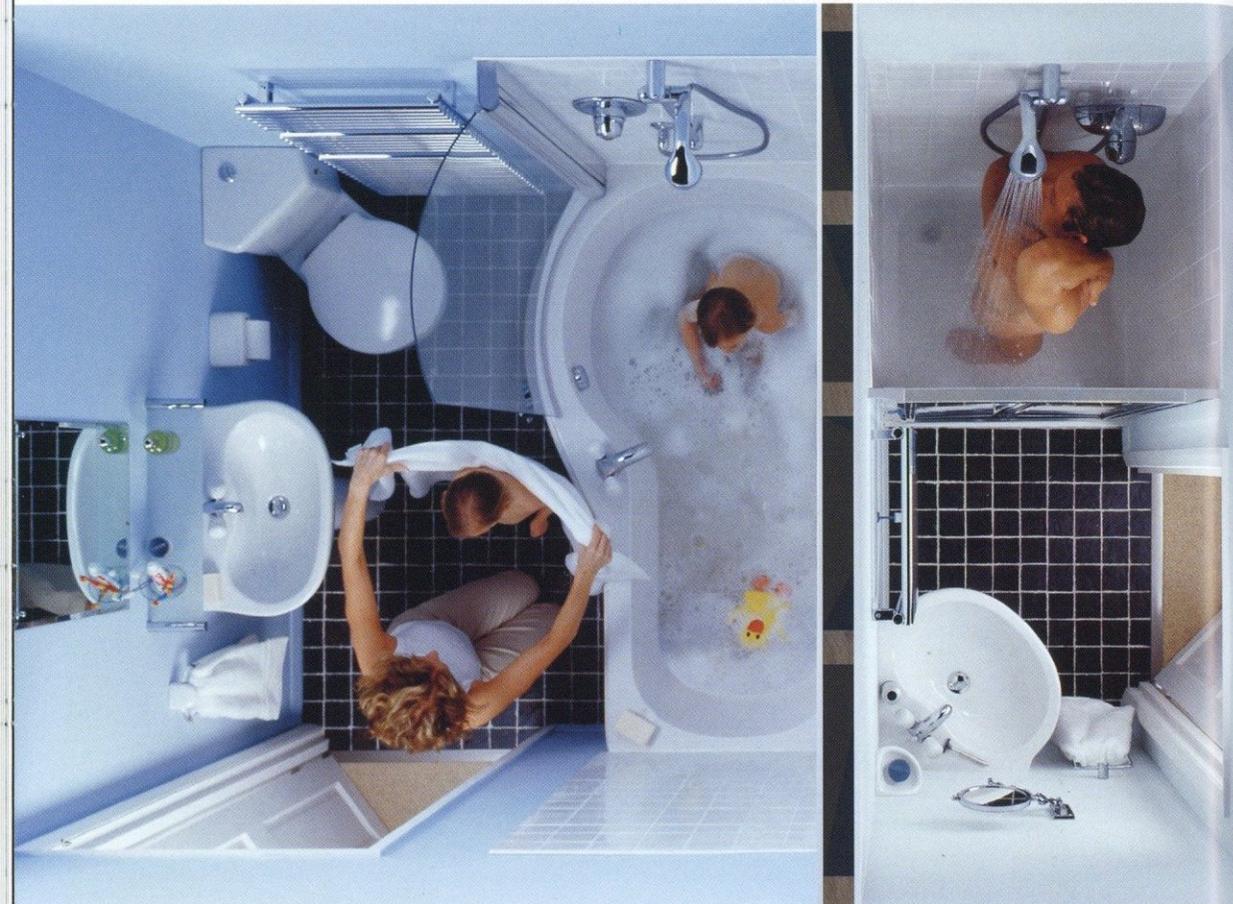
"We are considered a footballing side now, and the boss has got us playing the right way.

"We will just be concentrating, and as long as we all keep working hard and giving it our best, who knows where it will end up taking us."

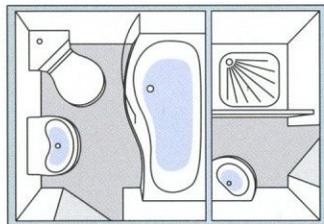
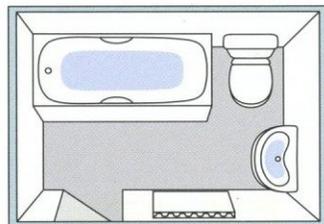


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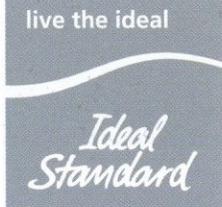
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MIKE PETERSON LOOKS BACK AT SOME OF THE MOMENTS FROM THE TIGERS' PAST THAT HAVE INVOLVED TODAY'S VISITORS.

1951 CITY FINISH WITH A FLOURISH

City's last game of the 1950/51 season was a home fixture against Luton Town on 5th May 1951. It produced the highest total of goals - eight - in any game during the more than 50-year history of meetings between the two clubs; it also produced the most goals for an end of season League fixture involving the Tigers in the club's history. Although the goalscorers were shared equally between the two sets of players, the final score was 5-3 in favour of the Tigers. The City players to get their name on the scoresheet that afternoon were Alf Ackerman, Don Revie, Syd Gerrie and Ken Harrison, whilst the Luton players who also registered a goal in the game were George Stobbart, Willie Davie, Bobby Wylde and Wally Shanks. Unfortunately, for Wally Shanks, his 'goal' wasn't quite what he was hoping for, as it registered for the Tigers.

1954 NO XMAS CHEER FOR MANNION

Having 'retired' from Middlesbrough, ex England international Wilf Mannion - frequently referred to as the 'Golden Boy' of English football in his prime - was persuaded to join Hull City in December 1954. In front of a crowd that fell just short of 40,000, Mannion made his League debut for the Tigers against Luton Town at Boothferry Park on 27th December; it wasn't the best game to do so, as City lost 4-0. Having made over 350 appearances for Middlesbrough - and scored over a 100 goals in the process - Mannion's retirement from Middlesbrough owed more to a contractual dispute than a waning of his talents. Mannion had the last laugh, however, as his first taste of victory in a Tigers' shirt came in the 2-1 win at Ayresome Park...the then home of Middlesbrough FC.



1965 NOT SO UNLUCKY 13

The following City side equalled a club record when they defeated Luton Town 3-1 at Boothferry Park on 27th February 1965: Williams, Davidson, D. Butler; Collinson, Milner, Summers; McSeveney, Wagstaff, Chilton, Houghton, I. Butler. City's goals came from Ken Houghton, Ken Wagstaff and Chris Chilton, with Luton's solitary reply credited to John O'Rourke. The victory not only strengthened the Tigers' promotion bid, it also meant that they had gone undefeated in the League for 13 consecutive games; such a feat had last been achieved by City's championship-winning side from the 1932/33 season. The Tigers went on to stretch their unbeaten sequence to 15 games, before losing 2-1 at Peterborough on 20th March. That sequence of results remained a club record for nearly 40 years until it was broken, earlier this century, when between March and August 2001 the Tigers went unbeaten in the League for 19 games - a sequence that spanned the end of the 2000-01 season and the start of the 2001-02 campaign.

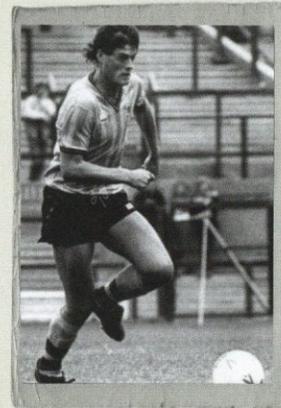


1973 GOING ITALIAN

Both Hull City and Luton Town flew the flag for English football during the opening months of 1973 when they participated in the Anglo-Italian Tournament. Together with Crystal Palace and Manchester United, the Tigers and the Hatters were drawn in Group 1 against the Italian clubs Bari, Fiorentina, Lazio and Verona. City beat Lazio and Verona at Boothferry Park by the same scoreline (2-1) and drew 0-0 at Bari but lost 1-0 at Fiorentina. Luton's results followed a similar pattern: they won both of their home games - against Bari (4-0) and Fiorentina (1-0) - then drew 2-2 at Lazio but lost 2-1 away to Verona. Unfortunately, neither City nor Luton progressed beyond the initial group stage, and the final was eventually contested between Fiorentina and Newcastle United at the Comunale stadium, Florence, on 2nd June 1973 with Newcastle emerging 2-1 winners.

1985 A LITTLE PIECE OF HISTORY

On 16th July 1985, City's manager, Brian Horton, created a little piece of Tiger history when he returned to his former club, Luton Town, to sign up a young forward by the name of Frankie Bunn. It was the first time that a player had transferred from Luton to Hull - seven months later history 'repeated' itself when Horton also acquired the services of Garry [MP5] Parker from Kenilworth Road. Both players went on to establish themselves firmly in the affections of Tigers' fans. Frankie Bunn scored on his City League debut (vs. Portsmouth on 17th August 1985) and went on to score quite regularly for the Tigers before being transferred to Oldham Athletic in December 1987. As for Garry Parker, City fans weren't the only ones to recognise and admire his skills; he also attracted sufficient attention in the right quarters to earn himself five England caps at Under-21 level whilst at Boothferry Park.



2002 MISERY FOR MOLBY

After much press speculation, rumour finally became fact when Jan Molby was confirmed as Hull City's new manager on 4th April 2002. His first game in charge arrived two days later when the Tigers entertained Luton Town at Boothferry Park. It was not a happy start. Already promoted Luton confirmed the gulf in class between the two teams as a Steve Howard hat-trick, plus a goal from Dean Crowe gave the Hatters an extremely comfortable 4-0 victory. In terms of margin of defeat, Molby's start equalled the worst ever by a City boss - John Kaye had suffered exactly the same result nearly thirty years previously. Having equalled one record, and almost matched another - the longest wait for a League victory - Molby eventually claimed a Tiger record in his own right by becoming the quickest City boss to leave: his tenure lasted 17 League and Cup games (P17, W2, D8, L7, F20, A29).



Realising the Dream

DANNY COLES TAKES THE TIGERS' OFFICIAL MATCHDAY PROGRAMME THROUGH HIS CAREER TO-DATE

Becoming a professional footballer is the dream of almost every young boy across the country and Danny Coles was certainly no different as a youngster.

The 23-year-old was one of the fortunate ones who actually went on to realise that dream.

His life in football began at the age of nine when he first started training with Bristol City.

"I first trained at Bristol City when I was just nine-years-old," he said.

"So I was at the club for quite a long time when you think about it.

"I went on to sign schoolboy forms when I was fourteen, as a YT when I was sixteen before signing my first professional contract at the age of eighteen."

Being Bristol-born, the opportunity to represent his hometown club was a dream come true for Coles.

"It was a dream come true. I went there to start with just to make up the numbers.

"There were a couple of other players in my age group which they had big expectations of.

"Unfortunately those players never actually lived up those expectations.

"Whereas I got my chance in the

older age group in a youth team game away at Arsenal and I never looked back.

"I had that one opportunity, played really well and I just progressed from that game."

After spending so long at the club, Coles achieved a lifelong ambition when he made his first-team debut back in April 2000.

"I came on as a substitute with about ten minutes to go against Oxford at home when the game was level at 2-2.

"It stayed that way for the rest of the game. I played at centre-back but at the time I wasn't as big as I am now and I felt a little bit out of place.

"I obviously made an impression though because the following day I was offered a professional contract."

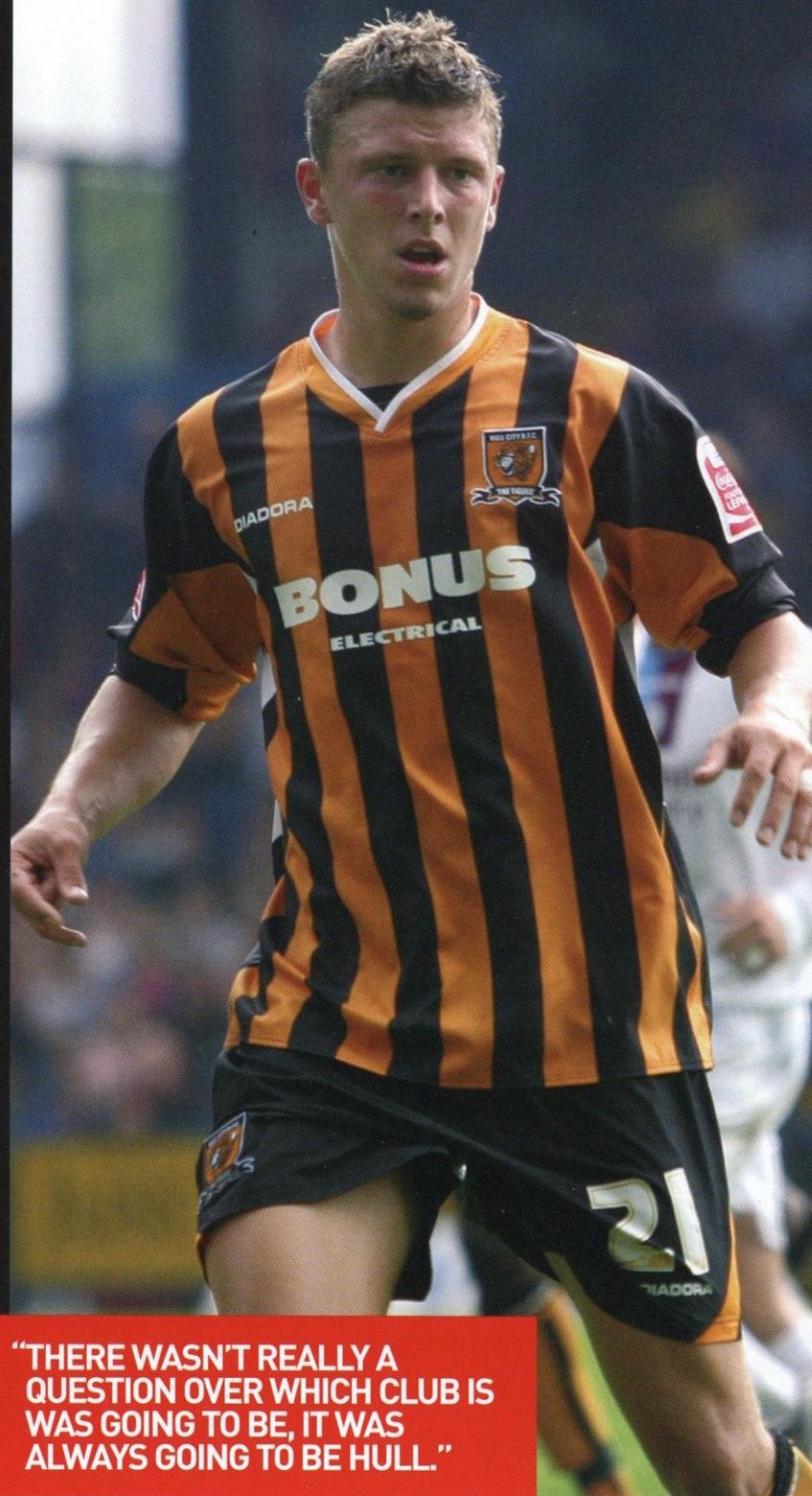
Coles admitted to feeling the nerves before his first appearance in the red shirt of the Robins.

"I was nervous before the game and as I was about to come on but I think that would be expected of any youngster. You're bound to be nervous in your very first game.

"My first actual league debut was away at Bournemouth and it couldn't have gone any worse as we got battered 4-0."

Coles made three appearances





"THERE WASN'T REALLY A QUESTION OVER WHICH CLUB IS WAS GOING TO BE, IT WAS ALWAYS GOING TO BE HULL."

the following season before becoming a first-team regular in Danny Wilson's side during the 2001/02 campaign.

But it was in the 2002/03 season that Coles moved up to a different level with his consistent performances winning the club's Young Player of the Year award.

"It was a completely different season for me to be honest," he added.

"I started off really well but the then manager Danny Wilson obviously saw it differently and left me out the side for two or three games.

"I think that was the season I played twenty-five or so games at right-back before finishing the final third of the season back at centre half.

"I think a lot of people will say I made a name for myself marking Robert Earnshaw out of the four games I came up against him that year. That was also the year that Cardiff made a £500,000 offer for me."

Coles has been fortunate enough to sample the atmosphere at the Millennium Stadium on two occasions during his career.

His first appearance in the Welsh national stadium came in the final of the LDV Vans trophy in April 2003 when the Robins claimed a 2-0 victory over Carlisle United.

"Apparently I played against Greenie (Stuart Green) on that day but I can't actually remember him being in the Carlisle side.

"I managed to get a little memento from the game as well picking up the man-of-the-match award. The whole day was a great experience for me.

"Being on the winning side combined with winning the man-of-the-match award turned the game in to a very special occasion for myself.

"I've been quite lucky with

the amount of games I've played at the Millennium Stadium in my career so far."

However, the season ended in disappointment for Coles and his team-mates as they exited the Division Two play-offs at the semi-final stage.

"We were very unlucky that year," he continued.

"We gave a goal away at Cardiff in the first leg and went into the game at Ashton gate a goal behind.

"We absolutely thumped them at our place but we just didn't take our chances on the night. Like I say I think we were very, very unlucky in that game."

However, the Robins regrouped under Danny Wilson's leadership and a year later qualified for the Division Two play-offs once again.

After successfully beating Hartlepool in the semi-finals, the Robins faced Brighton for a place in what would be the newly-named Coca-Cola Championship.

However, his second appearance at the Millennium Stadium proved to be less memorable than his first.

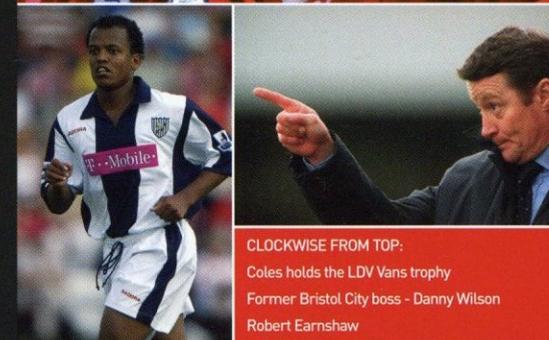
"On that day we just didn't perform as a team one little bit and you could maybe say that some players in the team froze on the big day.

"There were over 65,000 fans in the Millennium Stadium that day so it was a massive crowd.

"But the most disappointing thing on the day was that we never managed to get a shot on goal in the game.

"Saying that though, I think the only shot on goal Brighton managed was the winning penalty which doesn't say too much for the game really."

Coles clocked up a total of 180 appearances for the red side of Bristol, a statistic that he is proud of considering he's still at the early stages of his career.



CLOCKWISE FROM TOP:
Coles holds the LDV Vans trophy
Former Bristol City boss - Danny Wilson
Robert Earnshaw

"I'm only twenty-three and to clock up 180 games at one club shows what sort of service I gave to Bristol City.

"The amount of people that I learned from during my time with Bristol City, especially once I'd made the step-up to the first team, Danny Wilson, Frank Barlow and Sean Taylor. They were all absolutely different class.

"I used to work with Frank every single day after training and likewise with Danny. We used to speak all of the time.

"His door was always open to me and I made sure I took advantage of that which is one of the reasons why I progressed a lot during his

spell in charge at Ashton Gate."

After being associated with Bristol City for over 14 years, Coles moved on to pastures new during the summer joining the Tigers in a £200,000 deal.

However, the centre-back admitted that it wasn't the first time he'd thought about leaving Ashton Gate.

"I was ready to move on before I eventually did for at least a year," he added.

"As soon as Danny Wilson left the club, I knew it was time for myself to make a change as well. If he'd have stayed it might have been different.

"But I feel as though I didn't learn anything whatsoever in

my last year at Bristol City. "It wasn't as professional as it was before and there was a lot of unsettlement around the place which is why I felt it was definitely time for me to move on.

"And I don't think there was a better place for me to go than here."

A move to the KC wasn't the only option available to Coles but he admits that making his decision to become a Tiger was an easy one.

"Cardiff put a bid in as well but the chairman said to me that he would never sell me to Cardiff.

"To be honest a move there wouldn't have been my first choice anyway.

"I don't think Cardiff is a very stable club at all but it was mainly the gaffer here that made me make my decision to sign for Hull City.

"Whether the club was stable or not wouldn't have mattered, if I could have come here to just learn off the gaffer then I'd have taken that opportunity, which I have done.

"There wasn't really a question over which club is was going to be, it was always going to be Hull."

Life with the Tigers has begun in a positive manner for Coles as he adapts to life in the Championship.

He's been an ever-present in Peter Taylor's side for league fixtures so far this season, switching between centre-back and right-back, and is more than happy with the start he has made to his Tigers career.

"I'm just delighted to be in the team and playing. I've been happy with my performances so far this season.

"I hope it continues for as long as possible and hope that the gaffer continues to pick me."



The Window Closes

BY SKY SPORTS NEWS
REPORTER BRYAN SWANSON

THE TRANSFER WINDOW HAS SLAMMED SHUT UNTIL DECEMBER 31 AND MANAGERS IN THE PREMIERSHIP, AND NOW THE FOOTBALL LEAGUE, MUST REFLECT ON AN INTRIGUING SUMMER.

Newcastle grabbed the last minute glory with a club record £16m swoop for Michael Owen. The former Real Madrid striker had publicly hoped for a return to Liverpool but, with the deadline approaching, he eventually agreed to become a 'Geordio Galactico'.

"I spoke to Liverpool and unfortunately that deal couldn't come off." Owen told reporters at a press conference at St James' Park last month.

"That's life. Deals sometimes happen, sometimes they don't."

Owen failed to score in his much-hyped debut against Fulham but some supporters on Merseyside are still unhappy by what they call the 'late hijack' from Newcastle chairman Freddy Shepherd.

Shepherd raised the stakes in the last few days before the transfer deadline but Liverpool kept up their efforts to sign him until the last minute and later claimed it was Owen's price that proved the main obstacle.

"We even made phone calls the day before the deadline," said Liverpool

manager Rafael Benitez.

"In the end it was impossible. We couldn't spend that much money on a player we sold for £8m."

Three years after the introduction in the Premiership, the transfer window became compulsory in the lower leagues. But seasoned football writers, who have daily dialogue with managers, believe the introduction has proved pointless.

"It's been a bad idea whichever way you look at it," says Aidan Magee, a reporter for the leading *Wardles*

sports agency.

"At a time when lower league clubs are under siege financially there is no wisdom whatsoever in depriving them of a crucial source of income."

"I expect lower clubs dealt with the introduction of the window with great difficulty this summer.

"It has been implemented without any forethought or consideration of how the lower leagues operate.

"Usually the wealthier clubs benefit from any changes, but with this nobody is, which makes it all the more peculiar."

There have also been heated debates behind the scenes in the Football League over the future of the loan system.

"Hearing the loan system might be taken away was a huge blow," said Scunthorpe manager Brian Laws in the September issue of FourFourTwo magazine.

"I estimate we would need 24 or 25 players just to survive from window to window.

"Everybody's been waiting to find out what would happen from the League.

"A lot of clubs were holding off as long as possible because it could be the difference of a minimum

£100,000 to a club for an extra four players - that's a huge amount for most lower league clubs, it could be as much as 20 percent of your budget

depending on where you are and the size of your club."

The transfer window has forced clubs to act swiftly and transfers, particularly in the Premiership, are usually broken down into categories.

This summer there were 'The Shrewd Moves' including Jermaine Jenas' £7m transfer to Tottenham.

'The Gambles' included West Brom's last-minute £3m swoop for highly-rated Luton defender Curtis Davies.

Some fans feel 'The Panic



THIS SUMMER THERE WERE 'THE SHREWD MOVES' INCLUDING JERMAINE JENAS' £7M TRANSFER TO TOTTENHAM.



FROM TOP:

Tottenham's new central midfielder - Jermaine Jenas

Former Luton Defender, now at West Brom - Curtis Davies

Liverpool's Spanish boss - Rafael Benitez

Wigan's deadline day signing - David Connolly



SOME FANS FEEL 'THE PANIC BUYS' INCLUDED DAVID CONNOLLY'S £2M MOVE FROM LEICESTER TO WIGAN.

Buyers' included David Connolly's £2m move from Leicester to Wigan. Paul Jewell had been thwarted at every turn in his summer hunt for a striker and critics believe Connolly's move hinted of desperation.

"It's absurd that when you have a buying club, a selling

club and a player wanting to move that a deal cannot be done just because it's November," says Aidan Magee.

"What exactly is the problem with players moving around in mid-season? Clubs at all levels rely on the transfer system and it can only be

dictated by market forces.

"When you start fiddling with it artificially, you end up strangling clubs."

The transfer window debate has dominated radio phone-ins and football chatrooms on the internet.

"It is almost in favour of the Premiership to the detriment of football league clubs, the rich getting richer," says Richard Mennear in the online edition of SCAN, the magazine for Lancaster University Students' Union.

"It means that when clubs are in serious financial trouble they are going to have to wait months for the revenue."

But those in favour of the introduction claim it will benefit the Football League.

"The transfer window may play to the wishes of the big clubs with loads of cash," explains Ben Bailey in SCAN magazine.

"But the smaller sides that don't have the money to spend never seem to get half their squad injured.

"Men are made of sterner stuff when they play for lower division clubs. They can't afford to sit on the sidelines and watch next weeks' £250 wage packet slide by because their club cannot afford an injury clause in their contracts."

Critics, though, admit players will have to go to the courts to overturn the ruling.

"It took the landmark Bosman Ruling to drag football into the 21st century over freedom of movement at the end of contracts," says Aidan Magee.

"It at last brought the game into line with working practices in the EU and elsewhere."

"The only way I can see this reversed is if another Jean-Marc Bosman - probably from the lower leagues in England - goes to court and argues that the window acts as a restraint of trade."

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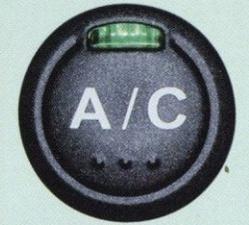
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A second half strike from Paul Gallagher gave Stoke City a 1-0 victory and saw the Tigers lose at the home for the first time this season. Peter Taylor's side started the brighter and enjoyed the better chances in the opening half with Stuart Elliott heading straight at Ed de Goey before Curtis Woodhouse fired over from twenty yards. City were then denied what looked like a clear-cut penalty when Nick Barmby was hauled down by Marlon Broomes but the referee simply waved play on.

In stoppage time at the end of the first half, Elliott came within inches of opening the scoring when his powerful header hit the crossbar.

The visitors produced a better performance in the second period and hit the bar themselves through Mamady Sidibe and Gallagher sealed all three points for Stoke stabbing the ball home from close-range after 73 minutes.



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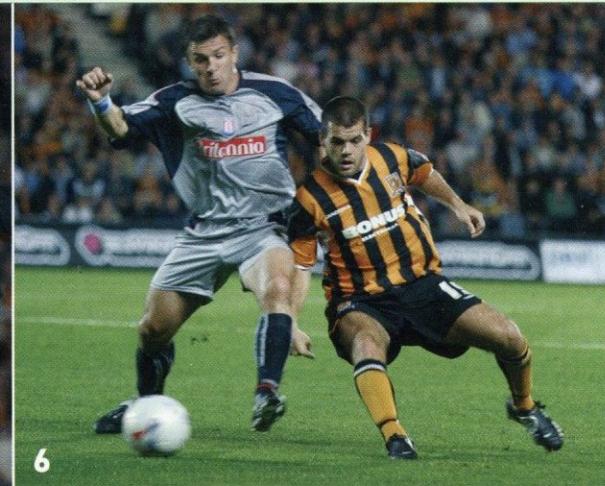
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- 1 Jason Price tries to avoid fouling Stoke's Dave Brammer as he attempts to win back possession
- 2 Ben Burgess flicks the ball on in hope of creating a goalscoring opportunity
- 3 Ryan France skips through the challenge of two Stoke defenders
- 4 Chris Brown turns Michael Duberry
- 5 Chris Brown beats Carl Hoefkens in this aerial battle
- 6 John Welsh manages to get his pass away before Dave Brammer can get his challenge in

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Fans Liaison Committee Minutes from the September meeting

HOLDBACKS

Why do we not have mandatory holdbacks at the KC, and how do we plan to operate voluntary holdbacks at the stadium?

Voluntary holdbacks will only be in place at policed games of categories B & C. At unpoliced games we have a reserve on stand by. Enforcing a mandatory holdback at the stadium is extremely difficult due to the design of the stadium and the number of Police required inside the stadium to carry out the holdback. Having too many officers inside the stadium can create a problem with correctly policing the exterior. The Police feel that the combination of the new fencing and the voluntary holdback will help greatly.

FIXTURE CHANGES

The Millwall game has been moved due to Police intelligence provided and the Hull Fair pull on day on Saturday 1st October. Police felt that the combination of the set up of the fair and a category C game could be difficult to control. The Committee felt that the information explaining the fixture changes on the club site/programme should be clearer. The Committee also felt that changes from a Bank Holiday to a night match should be avoided whenever possible. The Chairman added that fixture changes and an increase in night games are unfortunately something that has come with our success over previous seasons and our entry in to the Championship. Should long distance supporters who cannot make the game be able to sell their seat? The club have agreed to look at such a scheme, but conceded that the games would need to be sold out first in order to create a demand for season ticket holders' seats.

STANDING

Persistent standing in seating areas is something that will not be tolerated by the Football Licensing Authority, and could reduce the capacity at the stadium by a minimum of 10%. However, common sense should be applied and standing will be tolerated at 'key moments' in a match.

CAR PARK

From the Luton game onwards we will operate a new one-way system when exiting the Walton Street car park, with a temporary closure of Walton Street to help football traffic leave the stadium. Traffic will split upon leaving the car park either left onto Anlaby Road, or right onto Spring Bank West. You must park on the appropriate side of Walton Street car park depending on whether you want to leave right or left. The closure to non-match day traffic of Walton Street after a game will aid a more prompt exit.

FENCING

Members objected to the new fencing, as it inconveniences their entry to and exit from the East Stand. One member asked if the fencing simply moved the problem from the stadium to the car park?

The fence has been erected to avoid a flashpoint directly after leaving the stadium between home and away supporters. The fencing will decrease the amount of Police required in that area post match and allow re-allocation where required i.e. to the car park.

The fencing helped to save a serious incident outside the stadium after the QPR game, and although inconvenient for some will be continued throughout the season. A member asked why the fencing is closed before the game? The club are trying to create a fixed routine for supporters to take the correct route around the stadium post and pre-match.

CCTV

We have sixty-four cameras at the stadium all around the site, which are manned by three people on a match day. Members asked if the cameras should be more visible as a deterrent? Should the cameras be signed? Should the banks behind the north/east corner have clearer cameras? The club agreed to look further into these possibilities as well as clearly signposting that CCTV is widely in use around the stadium and on Walton Street.

TICKETS

Members stressed concerns regarding away fans purchasing tickets for the KC within the home supporter's section. This is an offence and away supporters will be ejected if found in the home section of the ground, and measures are currently in place to reduce access to the tickets.

POLICE INSIDE THE STADIUM

The home games so far this season have been category "C" more often than previous seasons and consequently more Police are present within the stadium.

POLICE CLOTHING

A member asked if the clothing of the Police outside the stadium post match have to be so intimidating?

Police will wear their protective clothing from the start of their shift, as they must be ready for an emergency as soon as they start work. Police Support Unit Officers will be situated externally to the stadium but only enter the stadium to be refreshed. The officers in this type of clothing will be kept to a minimum. Officers stood in large groups will also be avoided whenever possible.

STEWARDSING

267 stewards are needed before the stadium can open for a match. The training given to stewards is being bettered all of the time, however finding people in the city who want to work as a steward is extremely difficult.

CARS

Post match cars should not be driving through pedestrian traffic around the stadium. Cars should wait fifteen minutes after the game at least when leaving perimeter parking bays. All perimeter car park pass holders will be written to again informing them that exit must be delayed until at least fifteen minutes after the final whistle, otherwise passes will be removed.

Looking to Improve

MATT CARRINGTON TALKS TO THE TIGERS' ON-LOAN STRIKER CHRIS BROWN

Having agreed to arrive at the club on a three-month loan deal from Sunderland, Chris Brown became the latest addition to the Tigers' squad and the striker is more than happy with his decision to do so.

The 20-year-old has been a Hull City player for just over a week now and adjusted quickly to life at a new club.

"I've enjoyed every minute of it so far," he said. "I've been here just over a week now and I've settled in well.

"The rest of the lads have made me feel very welcome. The only disappointing aspect so far has been the two defeats since I came here."

With his prospects of first-team football at the Stadium of Light limited following a number of new arrivals over the summer, Brown admits it wasn't a hard decision to accept a temporary move to the KC Stadium.

"Once I knew that the club were interested in signing me on

loan I was very keen to come.

"I think it was all done and dusted in a couple of days and I was down at the club a week last Wednesday.

"I've come here to play in and be involved in as many games as I possibly can and go back to Sunderland as a better player.

"Of course I also want the team to do well here and that's what we'll be looking to put right in this afternoon's fixture."

Having made an impact with Sunderland in the Championship last season with five goals in his 37 appearances, Brown wasn't keen on playing reserve team football this year as the Black Cats look to survive a first year back in the Premiership.

"It wouldn't have done me any good going back to play in the reserves at Sunderland after I was involved in quite a few games last season.

"So, I've come here with the view of trying to impress

everyone back at Sunderland and here at Hull City.

"My long-term aim is to try and get into the Sunderland first-team.

"I've just got to give my best whilst I'm here and hopefully go back a better player and put thoughts into the manager's head.

"I want to boost my confidence as well. I'm a big confidence player. Once I get a goal, my confidence will rise and things will hopefully go from there.

"As a striker you've always got to be looking to score goals and getting yourself on the scoresheet. That's what I'll be looking to do over the next couple of months."

Brown made his debut in a black and amber shirt in the Tigers two-nil defeat at Crystal Palace last weekend and was happy with his showing.

"From a personal point of view I think things went okay and I lead the line well. It was just a disappointing result for

the lads.

"But we took a lot from that game because obviously Crystal Palace were playing in the Premiership last year and I thought we held our own against them and did quite well.

"They had an England international up front with Andy Johnson and obviously in the end that was the difference between the two teams."

After defeat at Selhurst Park, Peter Taylor's side were hoping to bounce back to winning ways immediately against Stoke but were left disappointed as the Potters inflicted the Tigers' first home defeat of the season.

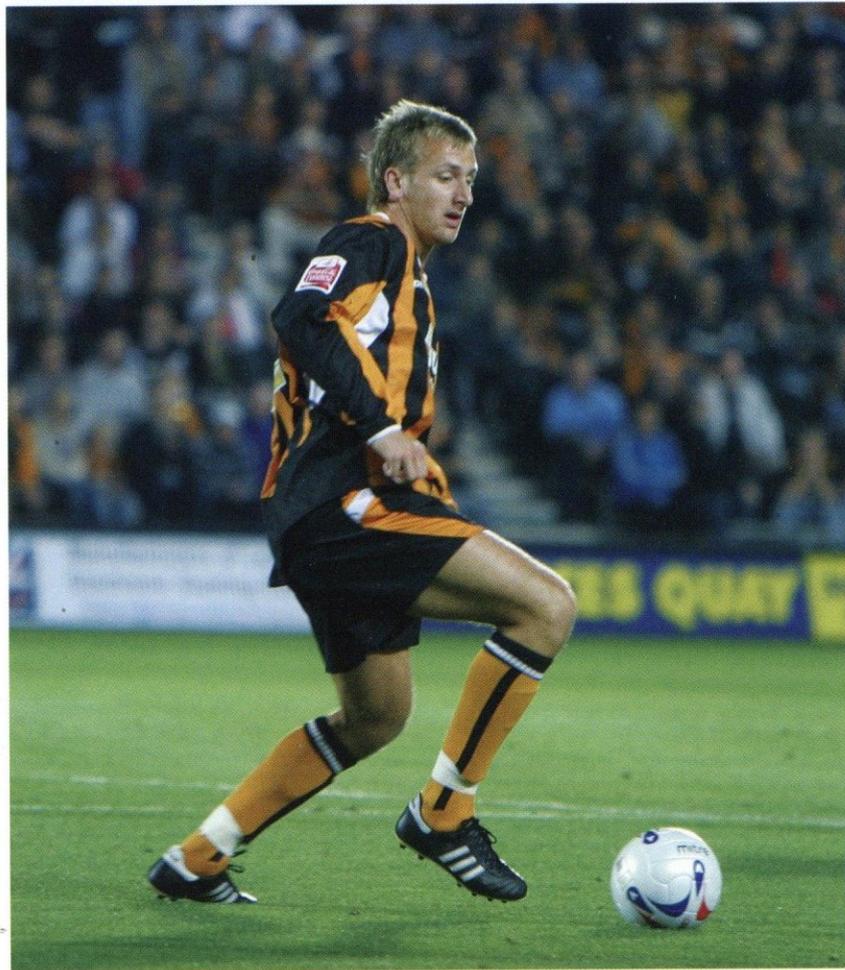
City dominated proceedings in the opening half coming close to opening the scoring on a number of occasions.

"For the fifteen minutes at the end of the first half, I thought we completely dominated the game.

"The lads played quite well in the first half and created a few chances and we hit the bar.



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"We just needed to see the ball hit the back of the net during the first half. We would have been a lot more comfortable had we scored.

"It would have also settled the crowd down a bit as well as ourselves on the pitch.

"You find you relax a bit more when you're one-nil up but as time went on, they put more pressure on us and got the goal."

In the end the one goal proved enough for Johan

Boskamp's side and Brown always felt one goal would win the game.

"I thought whoever got the first goal would go on and win it," he added.

"If we had scored in the first half we would have been much more comfortable.

"We had a couple of chances and were unfortunate to hit the bar, just like we did on Saturday.

"Things just don't seem to be going our way at the minute

but we need to start converting our chances and sticking the ball in the back of the net.

"It's disappointing, but we've got to make sure we bounce back today."

After impressing in his first game for the Tigers, Brown was slightly disappointed with his own performance in the defeat against Stoke.

"I was a little bit disappointed with my own performance on Tuesday night and I think I could have held

the ball up a bit better.

"But you get games like that every now and again. I haven't played too much football this season but I do set my own personal standards.

"Hopefully I'll get close to matching those this afternoon if I'm involved."

Tuesday night was Brown's first appearance for the club at the KC Stadium but it wasn't the first time he'd played at the home of the Tigers.

He was part of Mick McCarthy's squad that suffered defeat thanks to a Craig Fagan goal in a pre-season friendly during the summer.

"I'd played at the KC Stadium before during Sunderland's pre-season defeat at the end of July.

"I was very impressed with the fans then and the Stadium was fantastic as well.

"I saw nothing to change my opinion on Tuesday night and it was a great experience for myself."

The Tigers take on Mike Newell's Luton side this afternoon and Brown is looking forward to the test of coming up against last season's League One winners.

"It'll be a good test for myself and the rest of the lads because they came up with the club from League One last year.

"They've adapted to life in the Championship quickly and have started very well too.

"It's going to be a tough game for us and obviously it's live on Sky, so hopefully we can get a win in front of the television cameras.

"It's an earlier kick-off and you've got to adjust your preparation a little bit but once the game starts, you forget about the cameras and it's just a normal football game. "You don't even think about the cameras when you're out there on the pitch playing football."



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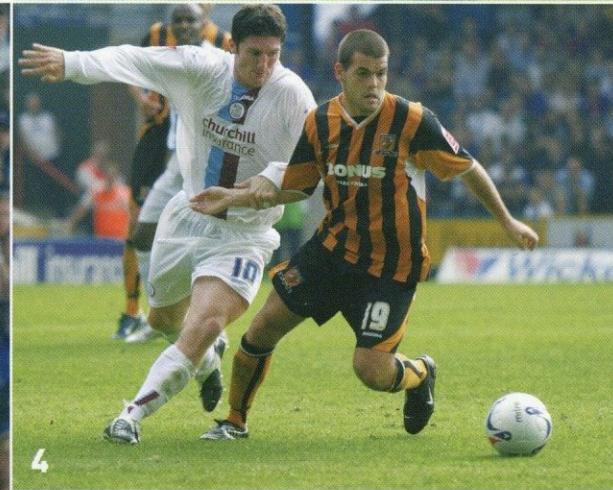
The Tigers suffered their second defeat of the season with a 2-0 reverse at Crystal Palace.

It was a harsh result on Peter Taylor's side who more than matched the former Premiership side throughout the ninety minutes.

Roland Edge went close before Nick Barmby saw his effort crash back off the bar with Gabor Kiraly well beaten in the Palace goal.

But it was the hosts who took the lead midway through the first half when Clinton Morrison pounced to slide the ball past Boaz Myhill.

Stuart Elliott sent two headers wide of the target in the second half but Andy Johnson sealed all three points for the home side in the final minute to give Palace a third successive league win.



- 1 John Welsh and Curtis Woodhouse team-up to win back possession from Andy Johnson
- 2 Stuart Elliott climbs the highest to beat Emmerson Boyce in the air
- 3 Boaz Myhill catches the ball under pressure from Palace striker Andy Johnson
- 4 John Welsh manages to shrug off the attentions of Jon Macken



Take a Rest

BY YORKSHIRE POST
WRITER PHIL BOOTH

WHO'D BE A MANAGER? WHO'D BE A TEACHER? EVEN WORSE, WHO'D BE BOTH?

As selection headaches go, it would be tough to beat the one which faced Peter Fellows in Hull in 1981. He solved it with quiet, assured class.

Three words were all it took. It was so cute, it became a catchphrase. "Take a rest."

Chilling. Guaranteed to send a cold shiver of rejection down a schoolboy's spine on a wintry Saturday morning at a Hull school playing field.

Mr Fellows, or just plain Fellows as he was known to the pupils, was a shrewd tactician, who set an example on squad rotation which many professional managers would do well to copy today.

Nowadays, one of the biggest problems to face a football boss is how to keep a squad of up to 30 players happy. For Mr Fellows, the problem was doubled. Sometimes trebled.

In 1981, Hull Grammar School's squad for the Under 14 season in the Hull

School League contained roughly 78 players. All shapes. All sizes. All abilities. The initial trial had seen upwards of 120 boys take to the field, all pressing for a place in the first 11.

It was a complete nonsense. About 20 a side, with more substitutions than Sven could make during a friendly with Denmark.

At one point about 30

youngsters would be charging in for the same header, with more than 20 yelling out "my ball" simultaneously.

It was fast and it was furious. Even the notoriously lazy goal hangers were forced to compete, dropping back into the scrum of bodies in a desperate attempt to catch the skilled and crafty eye of the wise Mr Fellows, watching it all from the side of the pitch.

When it came to squad rotation, Mr Fellows faced a far tougher problem than Jose Mourinho. The Chelsea manager had to infamously give Ricardo Carvalho a dressing down, when the defender complained about not playing

often enough. But for Mourinho, the matter ended there. Further antagonism was averted in no small part, no doubt, by Carvalho's salary, which will have sweetened the defender's outlook on life, unlike Mr Fellows' team, whose only financial earnings was their pocket money.

Somehow, from this melee of madness, he managed to concoct a team. The following Monday, youngsters crammed round the school notice board, checking to see if they had made the final cut. Not that it mattered.

About 15 names graced the piece of white paper, pinned to the board, under the heading 'First Team Squad'.

There were tears and there were tantrums. Handshakes, back slapping and muttered congratulations. And then about 80 youngsters turned up for the first official training session.

The lucky 15 who had been officially chosen, were aghast. But Mr Fellows gazed at the assembled through with something approaching acceptance. He'd seen it all before. He knew what would happen.

As the season's kick off approached, the numbers began slowly but surely to wane, mainly because of the lure of Saturday morning TV.

For those still desperate for a place, a hierarchy took shape. A pecking order based loosely on ability, followed closely by physical toughness.

Five lunchtimes a week, a frenzied match would be staged in the playground. Crunching tackles, or just downright threats of violence from the hardest kid in class, would see players slide away into the shadows.

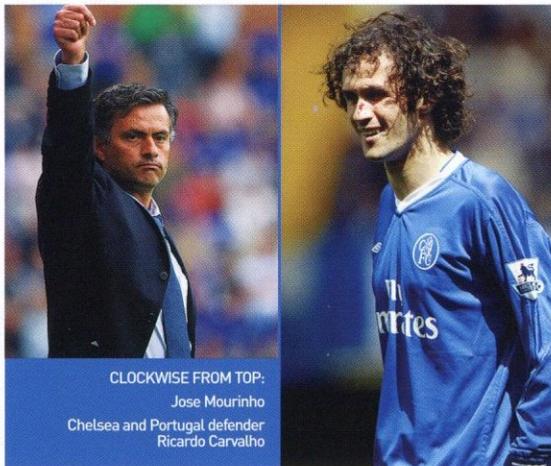
Alan Brown was frightened off after having his rucksack kicked to pieces three days on the spin.

Placed gently down on the concrete, it had acted as a sturdy goalpost. And then some bright spark yelled: "Everyone on the front post!"

Some 15 or 16 people proceeded to leap up and down for several minutes on poor Alan's bag, smashing and spilling its contents over the pitch.

It was tough for poor Al to take. Football and Al Brown just didn't seem to gel. His one appearance in the Hull Sunday League ended after roughly 14 seconds.

He stood 5ft 3in, and came running onto the pitch for his unexpected debut - the team he wanted to play for only had eight men - with all the wide-eyed excitement of a three-year-old on Christmas morning.



CLOCKWISE FROM TOP:
Jose Mourinho
Chelsea and Portugal defender
Ricardo Carvalho

THE CHELSEA MANAGER HAD TO INFAMOUSLY GIVE RICARDO CARVALHO A DRESSING DOWN, WHEN THE DEFENDER COMPLAINED ABOUT NOT PLAYING OFTEN ENOUGH. BUT FOR MOURINHO, THE MATTER ENDED THERE.

Alas, as he went for his first challenge, the biggest of his opponents tore in like a juggernaut and thundered into Al Brown with a crack that could be heard several pitches away. Al smashed head first into the turf so hard that, even today, people say that when the weather conditions are right, at Oak Road playing fields you can still see an outline of his face, mouth open in a silent scream, etched into the grass like a modern day Turin Shroud.

Back at school, the squad was slowly being whittled down, but still contained enough players for three or four first elevens.

When kick off day arrived, the changing rooms were crammed to bursting.

There was debate about whether some of the players were actually pupils at the school, or simply friends of friends looking for a game.

Mr Fellows stayed calm. He dealt with the problem in two ways.

First he simply blanked

about 30 of the players who had turned up, repeatedly ignoring their questions when they asked if they were playing as he handed out shirts to his chosen team.

This worked well for the bulk of the squad. For the others he turned, fixed them with his steely gaze and said: "Take a rest". Puzzling words, considering the kids had only got out of bed about an hour earlier. But it did the trick.

The following week, the numbers were drastically reduced, and by winter there were usually only 14 or 15 pushing for a place.

Three or four would be told in no uncertain terms to "take a rest" and the others would go out and play. Bruised egos meant most of the rejects were never seen again, and squad rotation became a breeze thereafter. It was textbook management, by a teacher who deserves great praise.

Teaching a rowdy bunch of teenagers, whose idea of fun at break time was to kick a

fellow pupil's rucksack to bits, must have been bad enough.

To then give up your Saturday mornings, and an evening after school for training, to offer those same kids a game of football, takes dedication to new heights.

These days, with things having been made more and more absurd by the politically correct lobby, it seems astonishing that any school sport is played at all.

In many schools competitive sport is frowned on, somehow being seen as encouraging aggression or leaving those on the losing side so distraught that even the growing myriad of counsellors would have trouble rebuilding the lives of a first eleven left traumatised and mentally unstable by a Saturday morning defeat.

Any teacher who dares to send off little darling Johnnie for fighting, runs the risk of facing the wrath of a crowd of parents who often these days seem to regard a school football or rugby game as far more important than little Johnnie's GCSE exams.

And perish the thought of anyone having their kit nicked or suffering a bad injury. The parents would be on the phone to the Blame Direct solicitors quicker than you could say 'dodgy compo claim'.

So, to the Mr Fellows of this world, stand up and take a bow. The debt of gratitude owed to you by so many budding footballers is huge.

The hassles those teachers go through steering groups of over excited, over aggressive and over bearing people through a football season is astonishing. And that's just the parents.

The youngsters might not realise it now. They might not fully understand it in the future. But at some point, in years to come, they will look back on that dedication and smile with something approaching bewildered appreciation.

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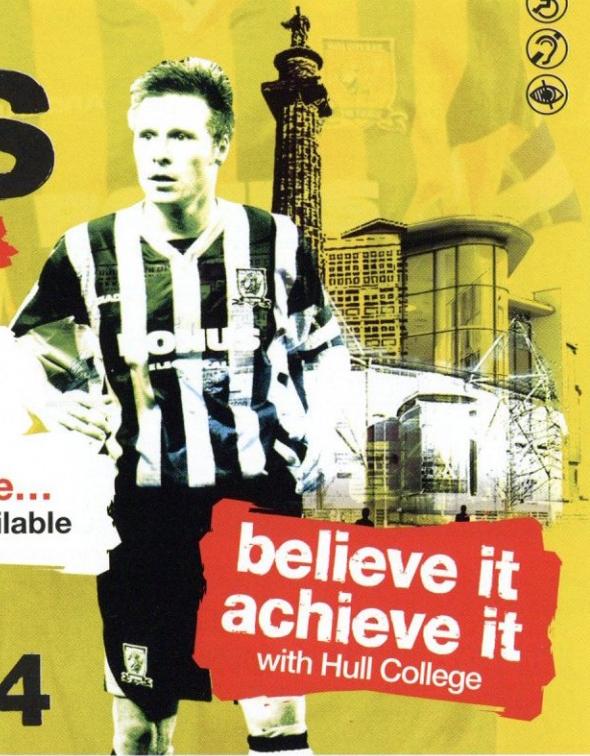
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All we're asking you to do is vote for one of four colours that have been put forward for the club's 2006/07 away shirt. You can select from white, red, navy and blue. The poll is located on the front page of the site, down the right-hand panel. So make sure you have your say on by casting your vote now!

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Starting from this afternoon's fixture against Luton Town, supporters should note that there will be a change to the way in which cars will exit the Walton Street car park from this game onwards.

At the end of the match, Walton Street will be closed off at both ends to incoming traffic for a period of time to allow cars parked on the car park to access on to Walton Street.

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Fans Messages

- Happy Birthday Lauren Stubbs, 9-years-old today. Lots of love Mum, Paul, Dominic, Paige & Georgia.
- Happy Birthday Dominic Harrison, 12-years-old today. Lots of love Dad, Helen, Lauren, Paige & Georgia.
- Happy 13th Birthday Hannah, love from Mum, Dad and Paul.
- Happy 12th Birthday Ben Everitt, lots of love Mum, Paul, Nick, Drew, Nanny and Grandad.
- Happy 8th Birthday Joe Sefton, have a wonderful day. Love from Mum, Dad, Ted, Zoe and Sid.
- Happy 16th Birthday for tomorrow Craig McBain! Have a great day! Lots of love from Kelly xxx
- Happy 15th birthday Zoe, love Mum, Dad, Richard and the Buckle's.

Today's Mascots



LLOYD VARNEY

Lloyd is 9 years-old and attends Cavendish Primary School. His favourite players are Leon Cort, Craig Fagan and Stuart Elliott.



MASON VARNEY

Seven year-old Mason attends Cavendish Primary School, and his favourite players are Scott Wiseman, Nick Barmby and Jason Price.



DARAGH BRANNIGAN

Daragh is 10 years-old and his favourite players are Ian Ashbee, Boaz Myhill and Stephen McPhee. He attends North Ferriby CE Primary School.



CIAN BRANNIGAN

Seven year-old Cian attends North Ferriby CE Primary School and his favourite players are Damien Delaney, Boaz Myhill and Stephen McPhee.



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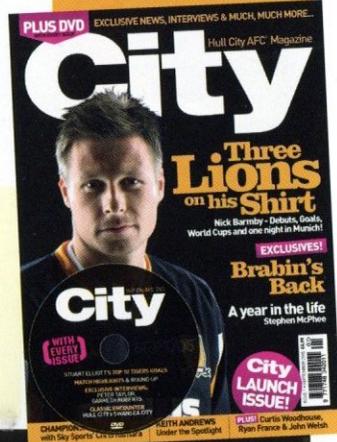
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Back in the Fold

MATT CARRINGTON TALKS TO THE TIGERS' VICE CAPTAIN, MARC JOSEPH

The last three weeks haven't been the easiest for Marc Joseph having been forced to sit out the Tigers' recent fixtures through suspension.

The 27-year-old has missed the games against Leicester City, Crystal Palace and Stoke after being shown the red card in the Tigers' 1-0 victory over Plymouth Argyle last month.

However, after completing his ban Joseph is now available for selection once again and is glad to give Tigers boss Peter Taylor another option for today's game.

"Obviously I'm glad to be back available for selection after suspension," he said.

"Due to the international fixtures it's been a few weeks now but I'm glad to hopefully be in the frame for getting

back in the squad and getting back to playing football.

"It's been three weekends I've missed now. It's hard at times because you don't know what to do with yourself as the whole day is usually taken up by football and preparing for games.

"I've been twiddling my thumbs a bit and it's never nice watching a game especially if you're not injured and you know can play, it just makes it that extra little bit worse."

His enforced suspension has made the last few weeks very frustrating for Joseph but the defender has been more than happy to watch his teammates produce some positive performances.

"It has been frustrating on a personal level but it's been good watching the boys perform against teams in this

new division.

"I think they've proved their worth and have been a bit unfortunate in the last couple of games.

"We had some good spells during the games against Leicester, Crystal Palace and Stoke and we've been unfortunate not have picked up a few more points."

The Tigers have accumulated nine points from the opening eight fixtures of the Championship campaign and Joseph believes it's a solid start to life in a higher division.

"It's been a promising start to the campaign," he said.

"Both players and fans have appreciated there are some big, big teams in this league and we will face some tricky and quality opponents such as Wolves.

"But then there's also teams that we know we can hold our own against. There's going to be certain teams who we'll be looking to take points off.

"Like I say, it's good that the fans as well as the players realise that."

Injuries have certainly made things difficult for the Tigers as they have looked to make an impact on the Championship.

At one stage Mark Lynch, Leon Cort, Keith Andrews, Stephen McPhee, Craig Fagan and Ian Ashbee were all unavailable for selection due to various injuries.

However, due to the squad assembled by Peter Taylor, the club has managed to come through what was beginning to look like an injury crisis.

"I think that was the



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managers main aim during the summer.

"He knew that if we did pick up injuries then we'd be needing cover for each position and I think we've got that.

"In certain positions we've got a couple of bodies spare but we've lost our skipper Ian Ashbee for the season and Stephen McPhee is going to out for a while as well along with Keith Andrews.

"But we've got the likes of Chris Brown, who has just come in. He's going to do a good job for us I'm sure.

"Curtis Woodhouse is also proving his worth now he's been given the chance to play."

After missing the home fixture against Leicester, Joseph served the second of his three-match suspension as the Tigers suffered a two-nil defeat at the hands of Crystal Palace.

Despite the result, Joseph was full of praise for his teammates for their performance at Selhurst Park.

"I didn't get to see the game but from what the lads have told me and the reports I've read the boys performed quite well.

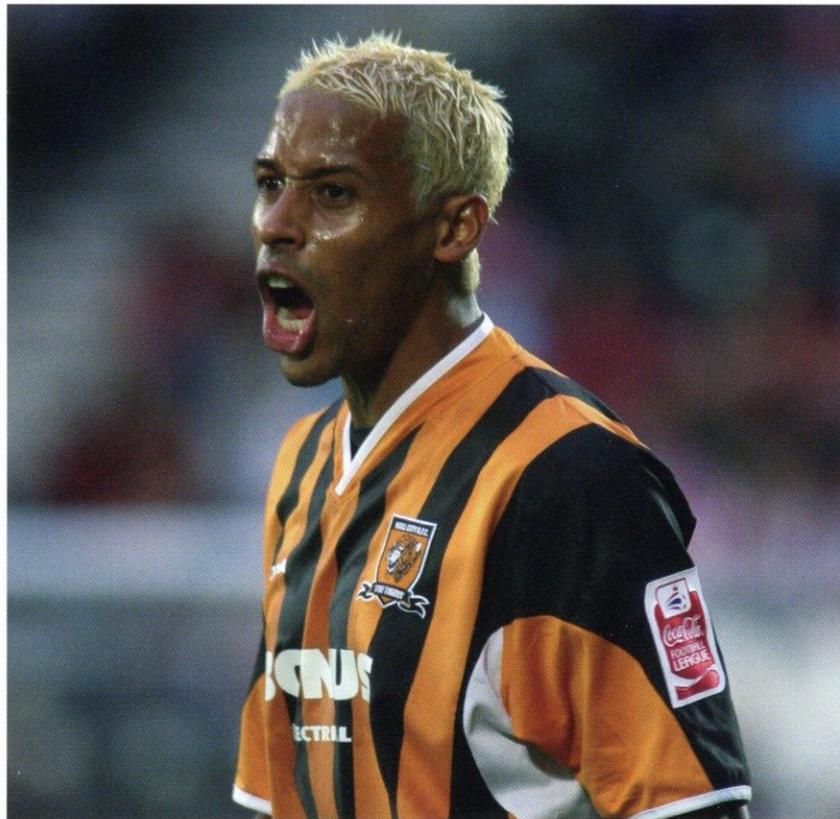
"Their second goal was on the break and the final scoreline flattered them a little.

"Every game we've played this year we've taken confidence from and the Palace fixture was now different.

"Even the Stoke game when we lost, there were parts of the game where we played some really good football.

"We came in the dressing room after the game disappointed because we know we shouldn't have lost against a team that has been in this league for a few years now. It's good that we've set our standards that high."

Paul Gallagher's second half strike gave Stoke all three points on Tuesday night in a game the Tigers should have claimed at least a point from after dominating proceedings



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for a long period.

"I watched the game and thought the boys played very well especially for the first 60 or 65 minutes.

"We looked like we were the only side in it and produced some good defending to limit their chances on goal.

"However, once they got ahead we tried a more direct route in an attempt to grab an equaliser because we were desperate for a goal."

One of the more notable differences between life in the lower leagues and the Championship is goal to chances ratio and it hasn't gone unnoticed by Joseph.

"In this league, some teams have just one chance during a game and take it to win the game by one goal.

"We have got to get used to doing that, taking our chances and maybe being that little bit more clinical.

"If we end up drawing a few games nil-nil then that's fair enough but taking chances has got to be our main priority."

Providing the opposition for the Tigers this afternoon are Luton Town who claimed promotion to the Championship along with Peter Taylor's side last year.

Whilst showing the Hatters the respect they deserve, Joseph won't be fearing the visit of Mike Newell's side.

"They came up as champions and deservedly so because they played really well last year. It's going to be a tough game for us.

"They've proven already that

they can beat the best teams in this league, so it will be a tough game.

"But they're coming into the game on the back of two defeats just like ourselves.

"They won't be looking forward to coming to the KC Stadium and picking their wits against us."

In the past couple of seasons, City haven't been at their best in front of the television cameras and Joseph is looking forward to breaking that habit and getting back to winning ways.

"We need to break that losing habit in front of the cameras.

"More importantly we need to perform for ourselves to grab what would be a morale boosting win and get back on the winning trail once again."



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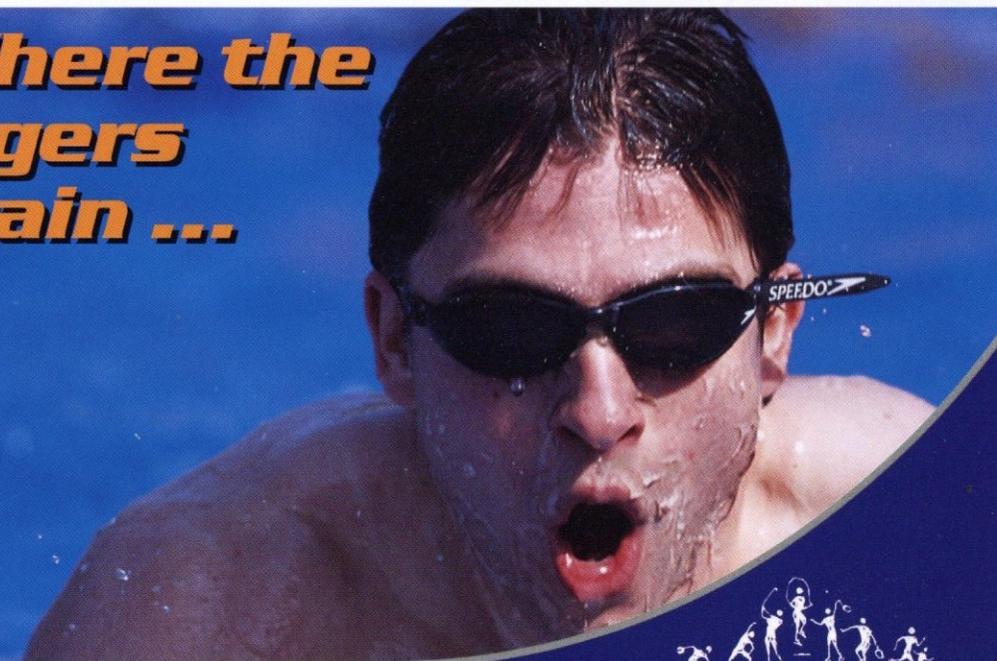
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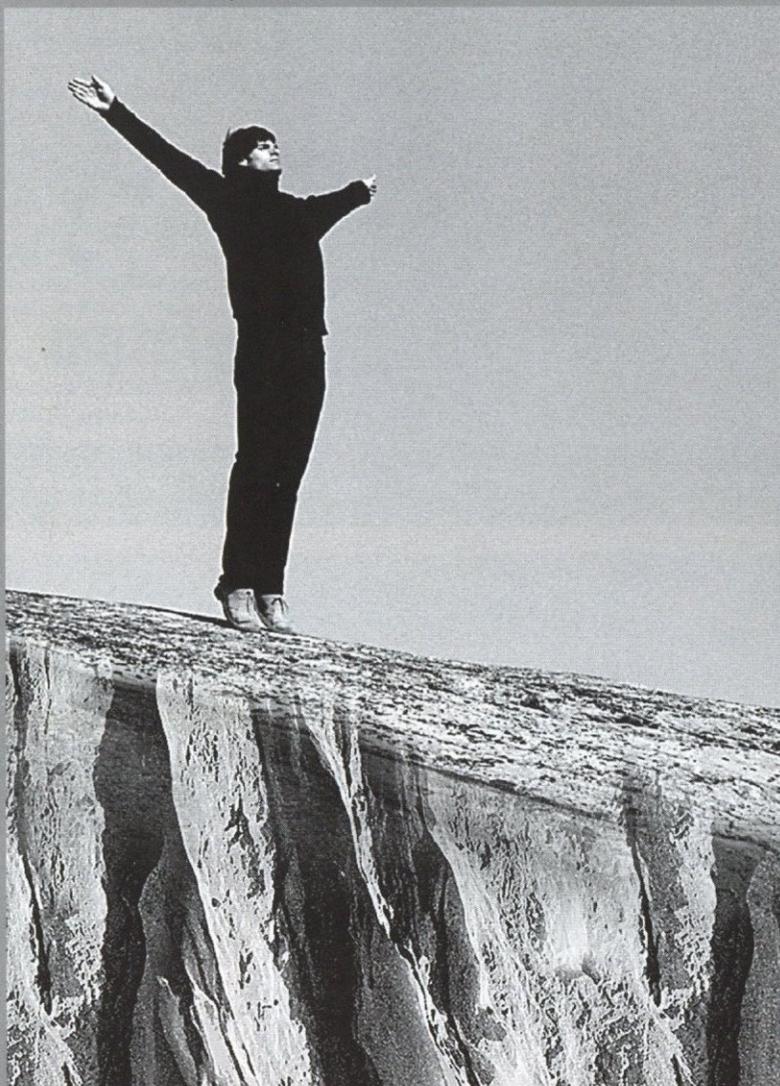


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Following in the Footsteps

BY DAILY TELEGRAPH WRITER ROB STEWART

Nowhere in Britain is a great centre forward more admired than at St James' Park, the home of Newcastle United - just ask Tigers legend Billy Whitehurst.

When Michael Owen strode out for his debut last weekend against Fulham he was following in the footsteps of Whitehurst, Alan Shearer, Kevin Keegan and Malcolm Macdonald - great strikers who have achieved legendary status at the north-east club.

England's Owen has been signed to partner the talismanic Shearer in Newcastle's attack and will take over as Tyneside's leading light when his captain retires next summer - but he will also be handed the torch to ensure the centre forward tradition continues to thrive.

Whitehurst might not be remembered with the same affection as the likes of Shearer, Led Ferdinand, Andy Cole and Jackie Milburn, but thanks to the fact that he once spearheaded Newcastle's attack alongside Imre Varadi during the mid-80s, there will always be a place for him in Geordie hearts even if he did

play for Sunderland as well which is normally treated as an unforgivable crime on Tyneside.

The £16 million pounds Newcastle paid Real Madrid for Owen represents the 14th time the Premier League side has broken its own transfer record to sign a centre forward.

It also shows how much the club has progressed since the days when Whitehurst used to rampage around the old Second Division.

He is also fondly remembered at Sunderland as well where he spent the 1988-89 season.

"A rugged centre forward with few refinements, the ex-bricklayer was nevertheless an excellent team man, lacking nothing in courage and commitment," says his entry in the Sunderland book *All The Lads - a Complete Who's Who*.

Whitehurst would be able to vouch for the special affinity between strikers and the Newcastle terraces began in the 1920s with Scotland's Hughie Gallacher, who scored 143 goals in 174 games over a five-year period and captained his side to the title in 1927 before joining Chelsea.

Albert Stubbins, whose

exploits inspired future Newcastle manager Bobby Robson, was the next to wow the fans.

"He was my boyhood hero," Robson said. "The centre forward I hero-worshipped as a young lad. Marvellous."

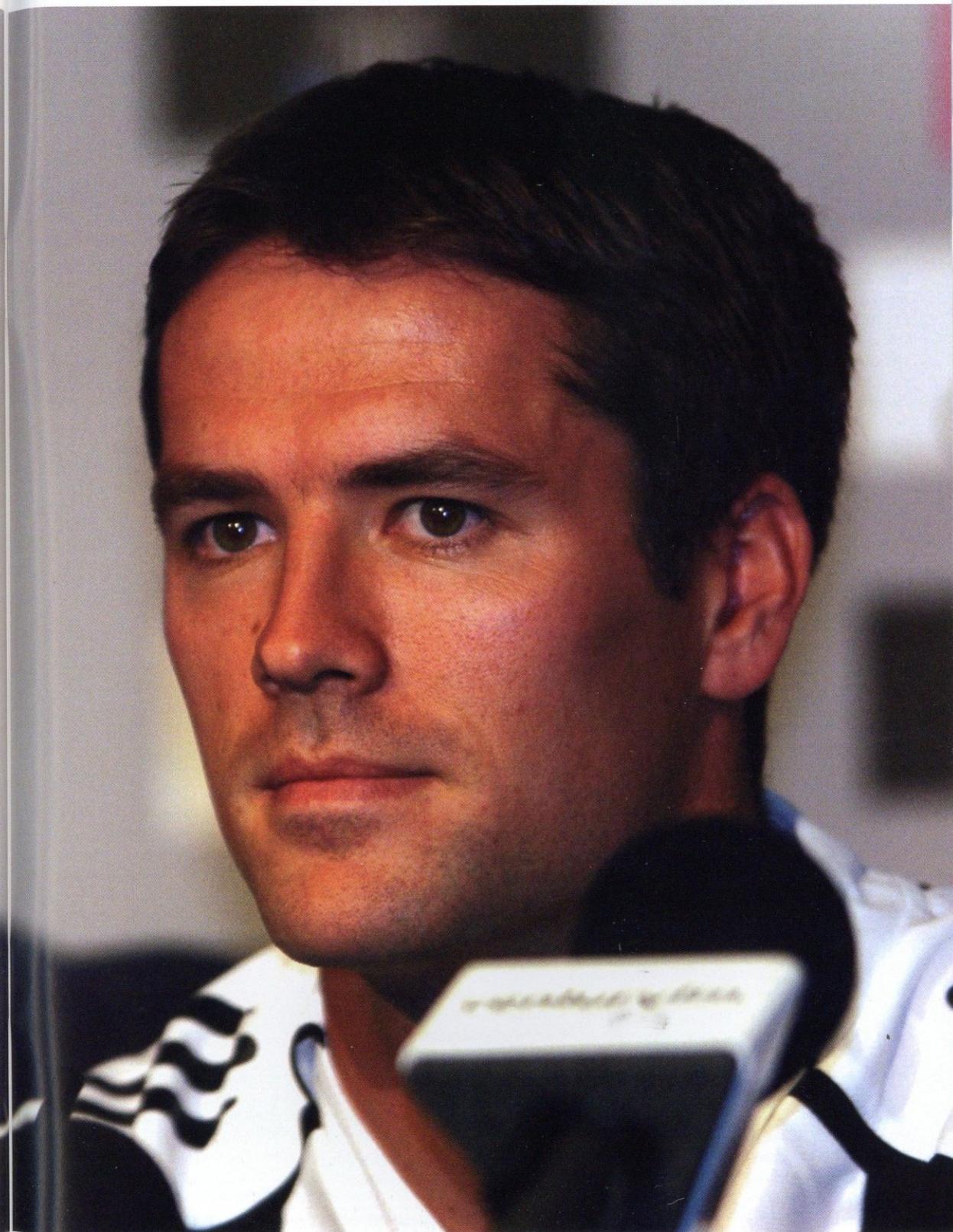
Stubbins - nicknamed The Silent Assassin - spent 10 years at Newcastle from 1936, plundering the vast majority of his 237 goals in a black and white shirt during wartime.

He joined Liverpool for 12,000 pounds and subsequently was one of the people featured on the cover of The Beatles album, *Sgt. Pepper's Lonely Hearts Club Band*.

'WOR JACKIE'

The name of Jackie Milburn will be forever linked to Newcastle's former glory days. 'Wor Jackie', as he is still known, scored 200 goals in 397 games from 1943 to 1957 thanks to his explosive pace and powerful shot.

His exploits helped the club win the FA Cup three times during the 1950s. Indeed, the 1955 Wembley win over Manchester City



was the last time Newcastle won a major English honour.

Since Milburn reigned over Tyneside, several players have tried to emulate his feats but only Shearer has come close to earning a similar place in Geordie folklore.

Len White helped Milburn win the 1955 FA Cup and scored 153 goals in 269 appearances while Wales's Wyn 'The Leap' Davies was in the side that won the Inter-City Fairs Cup in 1969.

Macdonald arrived at Newcastle in 1971 and quickly earned the nickname 'Supermac', inspired by the lyrics of the musical Jesus Christ Superstar - 'Supermac, Superstar, How many goals have you scored so far?'

Macdonald found the net times 121 times in 228 games with his pace and barrelling runs before moving to Arsenal.

In 1982 the so-called Toon Army welcomed England striker Keegan who took the club to promotion from the old second division in his two seasons there during which he made 78 appearances, scoring 48 times before retirement.

Keegan returned to manage Newcastle and under him Andy Cole was a revelation, scoring 68 goals in 85 games before Keegan controversially sold him to Manchester United in 1995.

His replacement, Les Ferdinand, prospered with 50 goals in 83 matches but was unable to guide the club to success.

Since Ferdinand's departure, there have been several high-profile flops in the strikers' department at Newcastle.

GEORDIE PASSION

Frenchman Stephane Guivarc'h lasted only five months after joining Newcastle for 3.5 million pounds after his country's 1998 World Cup triumph.

Carl Cort and Duncan



ABOVE:
The statue of Jackie Milburn outside St James' Park

'WOR JACKIE', AS HE IS STILL KNOWN, SCORED 200 GOALS IN 397 GAMES FROM 1943 TO 1957 THANKS TO HIS EXPLOSIVE PACE AND POWERFUL SHOT.

Ferguson also flattered to deceive during Newcastle careers blighted by injury after multi-million pound transfers.

Shearer arrived for a then world-record 15 million pounds in 1996, although his decision to return to his birthplace rather than join Manchester United is yet to yield him a trophy.

The 35-year-old has netted 194 times and remains firmly on course to beat Milburn's club record.

"There is a great tradition up here about the number nine at Newcastle and I will do my best, that is all I can say, to try to provide goals and medals and everything else like I have always done," Owen said.

"You can only do your best. Alan

is a different type of player to me, obviously, so Newcastle fans are not going to see a like-for-like player coming into the team - but, hopefully, they will see a like-for-like stream of goals coming."

Owen's signing, which attracted almost 20,000 Geordies to St James', was similar to the scenes that greeted Shearer in 1996.

Shearer was signed Kevin Keegan, who in a rare public appearance in Gateshead last week, remarked: "Michael Owen will find out that, if you think you have seen passion, this place will take it to another level. The greatest thing about this region is that there is no envy. Sometimes in life, and not just in sport, you climb the ladder and some

are genuinely pleased while others find it hard to accept.

"In this region that has never been a problem and I think that is unique. They don't care they have got the big cars or big wages as long as they give them passion on a football field for 90 minutes.

Is Michael Owen the missing link for Newcastle United? Will Michael Owen help them put things right? I hope so.

This is a very special place. It's a very special town. Just to go and sample the atmosphere. They're playing Fulham at the weekend and you might see the worst game in the world but you'll feel like it was the best.

"When the football team wins the city is happy and when I was here if it loses it takes until Friday for the city to pick itself up. It's the most fantastic city."

For me Owen's rapturous reception was an incredible contrast to the night us reporters first got wind that he was in the sights of Newcastle manager Graeme Souness.

The Scotsman chose to tell a radio phone-in that Owen "is the type of player we are interested in". And so the cat was out of the bag and Newcastle's public charm offensive was under way.

No one really gave Newcastle a chance of landing Owen but when the club offered £17 million for his services last month his move to Tyneside seemed inevitable, especially because he could not afford to sit in the Real Madrid stands as an expensive understudy in a World Cup year.

It has been called a shotgun wedding and time will tell whether or not this marriage of convenience proves to be a long-term success.

For England's sake, I hope it does. The country needs Michael Owen in Germany next summer.



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Coming Next at the KC Stadium



HULL CITY v
Millwall



Friday 31st September
 Kick-Off: 7.45pm



Our next match here at the KC Stadium is a Friday night game when Millwall are the visitors.

The Lions have had a disastrous start to the season and, at the time of writing, find themselves bottom of the table.

A strange summer at The New Den saw Steve Claridge appointed as manager at the end of June. Just 32 days later, Claridge was sacked and replaced by Colin Lee.

Between the two of them, they have added four players over the summer, all of whom have a wealth of football league experience. Of course, Claridge would have added even more experience if it hadn't been for his hasty departure.

Sammy Igoe, Jamie Vincent, Don Hutchison and Carl Asaba have all been brought in for no cost. Between them, they have played over 1200 league games and scored 189 goals.

Hutchison, as well as having plenty of experience at this level, has also spent a lot of time playing in the Premiership. He could well have been playing at the top level this season, but he was released by newly promoted West Ham. He is still best remembered for his time at Upton Park as well as spells at Everton and Liverpool. He has cost a lot of money during his career in terms of transfer fees, with a combined total of over £11 million spent on him since he left his first club, Hartlepool, in 1990.

Manager Lee added even more experience towards the end of August, bringing in former Wolves and Southampton goalkeeper Paul Jones on loan from Watford.

Despite the new signings, Millwall have also lost a couple of veterans in the shape of Danny Dichio and Dennis Wise, who both left for other clubs.

So far, Millwall have only won one game, against Bristol Rovers in the first round of the League Cup. Apart from a 5-0 thrashing at Reading, though, the Lions had only been beaten by the one goal in each of their defeats ahead of their game with Wolves during the week.

The head-to-head statistics show that the Tigers and the Lions have never met in a competition other than the league. City have the slight advantage, with 19 wins to 17. The last time the two sides met was during the 1990/1991 season in the old Division Two. That season, both games ended all square with a 3-3 draw down in London and a 1-1 draw at Boothferry Park.

HEAD-TO-HEAD

	Hull City Wins	Draws	Millwall Wins
League	19	14	17
Total	19	14	17

Match Statistics 05/06

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DATE	FIXTURE	RES	HT	ATT	ATT AVG	POS	LINE-UP
Sat 6 Aug	Queens Park Rangers	0-0	0-0	22,201	1,833	11	Myhill Lynch Dawson Cort Coles Ashbee Green France Elliott Barmby McPhee
Tue 9 Aug	Sheffield Wednesday	1-1	1-1	29,910	4,067	16	Myhill Coles Edge Cort Delaney Ashbee Andrews Price Elliott Barmby Fagan
Sat 13 Aug	Wolverhampton Wanderers	0-1	0-1	24,333	1,590	19	Myhill Wiseman Edge Delaney Coles Ashbee Andrews McPhee Ellison Barmby Fagan
Sat 20 Aug	Brighton and Hove Albion	2-0	1-0	18,648	849	13	Myhill Wiseman Dawson Delaney Coles Ashbee Green France Elliott Barmby Fagan
Tues 23 Aug	Blackpool	1-2	1-2	3,819	389	-	Leite Wiseman Edge Delaney Joseph Welsh Green Price Woodhouse Burgess Ellison
Sat 27 Aug	Plymouth Argyle	1-0	0-0	12,329	525	9	Myhill Joseph Dawson Delaney Coles Ashbee Woodhouse Price Elliott Barmby Fagan
Mon 29 Aug	Leicester City	1-1	0-0	20,192	1,525	9	Myhill France Dawson Delaney Coles Ashbee Welsh Price Elliott Barmby Fagan
Sat 10 Sept	Crystal Palace	0-2	0-1	18,630	1,160	13	Myhill Coles Edge Cort Delaney Welsh Woodhouse France Elliott Barmby Brown
Tue 13 Sept	Stoke City	0-1	0-0	18,692	582	14	Myhill Coles Edge Cort Delaney Welsh Woodhouse France Elliott Barmby Brown
Sat 17 Sept	Luton Town	12.45pm					
Sat 24 Sept	Coventry City						
Tue 27 Sept	Norwich City	7.45pm					
Fri 30 Sept	Millwall	7.45pm					
Sat 15 Oct	Southampton						
Tue 18 Oct	Reading	7.45pm					
Sat 22 Oct	Derby County						
Fri 28 Oct	Burnley	7.45pm					
Tue 1 Nov	Preston North End	7.45pm					
Sat 5 Nov	Watford						
Sat 19 Nov	Reading						
Tue 22 Nov	Southampton	7.45pm					
Sat 26 Nov	Queens Park Rangers						
Sat 3 Dec	Cardiff City						
Sat 10 Dec	Sheffield Wednesday						
Fri 16 Dec	Brighton and Hove Albion	7.45pm					
Mon 26 Dec	Crewe Alexandra						
Wed 28 Dec	Ipswich Town	7.45pm					
Sat 31 Dec	Leeds United	12.00noon					
Tue 3 Jan	Sheffield United	7.45pm					
Sat 7 Jan	FA Cup 3						
Sat 14 Jan	Crystal Palace						
Sat 21 Jan	Stoke City						
Tue 31 Jan	Coventry City	7.45pm					
Sat 4 Feb	Luton Town						
Sat 11 Feb	Norwich City						
Tue 14 Feb	Millwall	7.45pm					
Sat 18 Feb	Cardiff City						
Sat 25 Feb	Wolverhampton Wanderers						
Sat 4 Mar	Leicester City						
Sat 11 Mar	Plymouth Argyle						
Sat 18 Mar	Crewe Alexandra						
Sat 25 Mar	Ipswich Town						
Sat 1 Apr	Leeds United						
Sat 8 Apr	Sheffield United						
Sat 15 Apr	Burnley						
Mon 17 Apr	Derby County						
Sat 22 Apr	Preston North End						
Sun 30 Apr	Watford						



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SUBS	SCORERS
Leite Delaney Burgess	Andrews Fagan Price
Leite Burgess McPhee	Green Wiseman Barmby (18)
Leite Green Joseph	France Elliott
Leite Joseph Ellison	Burgess Woodhouse France (38), Burgess (87)
Myhill France Coles	Fagan Elliott Price (4)
Leite Green France	Welsh McPhee Elliott (57)
Leite Green Wiseman	Burgess Woodhouse Fagan (53)
Duke Green Price	Burgess Ellison
Duke Green Price	Burgess Ellison



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	P	W	D	L	F	A	P	W	D	L			F
Sheff Utd	8	4	0	0	10	3	3	0	1	7	4	10	21
Reading	8	3	0	1	11	5	2	2	0	6	1	11	17
Watford	8	2	1	1	6	4	3	1	0	11	5	8	17
Luton	8	2	2	0	6	4	2	0	2	5	4	3	14
Southampton	8	2	2	0	4	1	1	2	1	6	6	3	13
Stoke	8	2	1	1	5	5	2	0	2	4	6	-2	13
Preston	8	0	3	1	4	3	0	1	9	4	2	12	
Wolverhampton	8	3	0	1	7	4	0	3	1	3	5	1	12
QPR	8	3	1	0	5	2	0	2	2	2	7	-2	12
Derby	8	1	2	1	5	5	1	3	0	6	4	2	11
Leeds	7	2	1	0	7	4	1	1	2	2	3	2	11
Ipswich	8	2	1	1	5	7	1	1	2	3	5	-4	11
Crystal Palace	7	3	0	1	6	2	0	1	2	4	6	2	10
Hull City	8	1	2	1	3	2	1	1	2	2	4	-1	9
Leicester	8	2	1	1	6	4	0	2	2	4	8	-2	9
Cardiff	7	2	1	1	6	6	0	1	2	4	6	-2	8
Coventry	8	1	2	0	5	2	0	3	2	3	8	-2	8
Crewe	8	1	2	1	6	7	0	3	1	4	6	-3	8
Brighton	8	1	1	2	4	5	0	3	1	4	6	-3	7
Burnley	8	1	2	1	10	7	0	1	3	3	7	-1	6
Norwich	8	1	3	1	5	4	0	0	3	2	6	-3	6
Sheff Wed	7	1	1	1	2	2	0	2	2	1	4	-3	6
Plymouth	8	0	2	2	4	7	1	0	3	2	6	-7	5
Millwall	8	0	1	3	2	5	1	0	3	4	10	-9	4

Appearances	Tigers 05/06 League		Tigers Total League		Tigers Total		Career Total					
	Apps	Total Gls	Apps	Total Gls	Apps	Total Gls	Apps	Total Gls				
1 BOAZ MYHILL	8	8	0	76	76	0	80	80	0	101	101	0
2 MARK LYNCH	1	1	0	1	1	0	1	1	0	29	35	0
3 ANDY DAWSON	4	4	0	70	71	3	74	76	3	297	302	14
4 IAN ASHBEE	6	6	0	116	116	4	124	124	5	348	360	16
5 LEON CORT	4	4	0	47	48	6	51	52	6	210	213	18
6 MARC JOSEPH	1	1	0	80	85	1	86	91	1	313	339	3
7 STUART ELLIOTT	7	8	1	114	122	54	117	130	56	170	205	79
8 NICK BARMBY	8	8	1	46	47	10	48	49	10	381	434	85
9 BEN BURGESS	0	4	1	51	57	23	54	60	23	133	145	47
10 STEPHEN MCPHEE	2	4	0	2	4	0	2	4	0	150	158	44
11 CURTIS WOODHOUSE	3	5	0	3	5	0	4	6	0	232	265	20
12 MATT DUKE	0	0	0	1	2	0	2	4	0	5	7	0
13 SERGIO LEITE	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	1	1	0
14 STUART GREEN	2	7	0	93	106	20	100	114	22	128	143	27
15 ROLAND EDGE	4	4	0	17	18	0	20	21	0	160	171	1
16 DAMIEN DELANEY	7	8	0	126	127	4	134	135	4	159	167	5
17 KEITH ANDREWS	2	2	0	2	2	0	2	2	0	81	105	4
18 JASON PRICE	3	6	0	38	66	11	45	74	14	253	309	50
19 JOHN WELSH	3	4	0	3	4	0	4	5	0	7	15	0
20 ALTON THELWELL	0	0	0	24	29	1	26	31	1	39	52	1
21 DANNY COLES	8	8	0	8	8	0	8	8	0	180	188	8
22 CHRIS BROWN	2	2	0	2	2	0	2	2	0	33	65	17
24 KEVIN ELLISON	1	2	0	12	18	1	13	19	1	93	115	14
26 ROBBIE STOCKDALE	0	0	0	12	14	0	12	14	0	147	165	3
27 CRAIG FAGAN	5	6	1	16	18	5	16	19	5	96	112	30
28 RUSSELL FRY	0	0	0	1	1	0	1	4	0	1	4	0
29 RYAN FRANCE	5	7	1	34	66	5	38	72	8	38	72	8
30 SCOTT WISEMAN	2	2	0	4	7	0	5	10	0	6	12	0

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1	Goals	3
5	Shots on target	7
5	Shots off target	8
59	Passes	86
7	Dribbles	11
5	Crosses	16
2	Yellow cards	0
0	Red cards	0

Football League Championship
Manager Stats (at current club)

Peter Taylor

Played 8 Won 2 Drawn 3 Lost 3

For 5 Against 5

Av Pts/game 1.12

Biggest Win(s) Hull 2 Brighton 0

(20/08/05). **Biggest Loss(es)**

Crystal Palace 2 Hull 0

(10/09/05).

Football League Championship
Manager Stats (at current club)

Mike Newell

Played 8 Won 4 Drawn 2 Lost 2

For 11 Against 8

Av Pts/game 1.75

Biggest Win(s) Leicester 0 Luton

2 (27/08/05). **Biggest Loss(es)**

Stoke 2 Luton 1 (20/08/05);

QPR 1 Luton 0 (13/09/05).



GOAL STATISTICS



5	6	Goals Scored	11	8
144	120	Minutes per Goal	65	90

How The Goals are Scored

For		Against		For		Against	
2	3	8	5	3	1	1	2
0	1	2	1	0	0	0	0
0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0

Type of Play

For		Against		For		Against	
4	2	5	2	1	3	0	4
0	0	1	0	0	0	1	0
0	0	1	0	0	0	0	1
0	0	4	1	0	0	0	0

Distance from Goal

For		Against		For		Against	
2	3	3	2	1	3	5	4
2	0	3	2	2	0	3	2

NOTE: All statistics refer to 2005/06 Season

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