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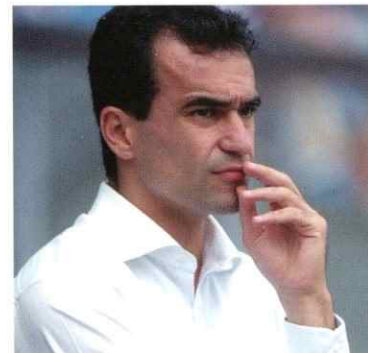
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Roberto Martinez



MANAGER'S NOTES

In our last home league game, we enjoyed the visit of in-form Walsall. It was a very mature and complete performance full of patience...

From Catalonia to the Liberty Stadium... Roberto Martinez in his own words.

➔ We are all ready and looking forward to tonight's game which is our last home fixture in February.

We are still in the middle of a hectic period and everyone should enjoy every game.

With undersoil heating at our special Liberty Stadium, we've been fortunate enough in the last few weeks to play every game and not suffer any postponements due to the weather, which would have meant an even harder final third of the season.

In a week full of Champions League and European ties, we had our first leg of the southern area final of the Johnstone's Paint Trophy.

In a good game of football, we took control and dictated things early on and created really open chances to win the game.

Unfortunately it didn't happen for us on the night. But we are all looking forward to the second 90 minutes.

Through hard work and good football, we'll give everything to try and get the rewards that we deserved in the first-leg.

We have had a terrific run in the Trophy so far. Now with the final hurdle ahead of us, we must take a negative result to Milton Keynes. But we'll be ready for an exciting 90 minutes with a huge price at the end of it.

In our last home league game,



we enjoyed the visit of in-form Walsall. It was a very mature and complete performance full of patience, good football and great team ethic. It was enough to give us three important points and great satisfaction on how to break down a very solid and organised unit behind the ball.

Your support was key towards the boys' performance; with your voice, understanding and patience a clear example how far we've come as a football club since early in the season.

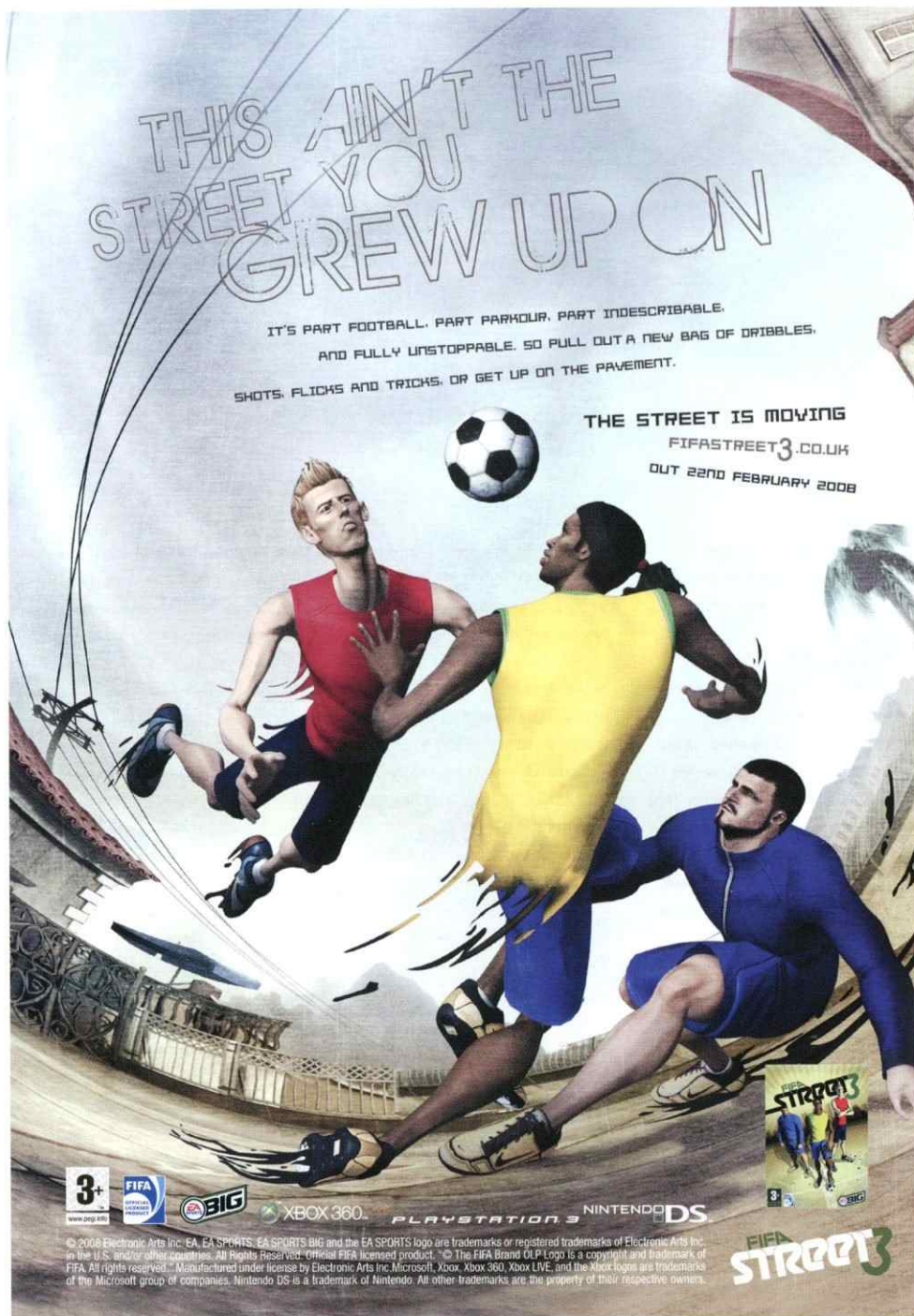
I would like to welcome Mick Harford and his side to Abertawe.

We visited Kenilworth Road not long ago, but there have been many changes in the club since then, including the playing staff.

We know the importance of tonight's points for both teams, so your support will be vital.

Get ready for another physically tough challenge.

A por todas!



Huw Jenkins
Chairman



FROM THE BOARD

Our long term aims at Swansea City are very clear in the years ahead. With your support behind Roberto and the team we can achieve anything we set our sights on

➔ Welcome back to the Liberty Stadium. After Tuesday's game in the JPT area final, we are back to the bread and butter of League One football tonight against Luton Town.

Much has been written about Luton Town Football Club over the last few months, but I'm sure that eventually things will settle down for them and The Hatters will regroup and start to climb the Football League once again.

I hope that comes sooner rather than later to give their supporters a much needed lift as they have suffered more than most over the last few months.

Back to ourselves and after our hard fought win away at Port Vale, tonight's game gives us a chance to take our points total to the 70 mark.

With only 14 games left to play after tonight's game, that would

represent a fantastic achievement so far.

Even our most pessimistic supporters must admit that it's very much within our own grasp to achieve what we set out to do at the very first game against Oldham Athletic at Boundary Park in August.

With March nearly upon us, I know Roberto is already looking ahead to next season.

As I've said a few times in my programme notes, as a football club our forward preparation is getting better and better. By that I mean our targets to further strengthen our squad have more or less been agreed, with perhaps one or two still undecided upon.

But I am sure all will be clearer before we end our season in early May, giving every opportunity for any new player to move to

Swansea in the summer and get settled into their new home well

before the pre-season training starts in early July.

Back to tonight's game against Luton Town. May I wish everyone connected to the club every success over the coming months and that you turn things around quickly. A stable financial footing is the key to success on and off the field.

I hope you enjoy your visit to the Liberty Stadium and get all the luck you deserve over the coming months.

Our long term aims at Swansea City are very clear in years ahead. With your support behind Roberto and the team we can achieve anything we set our sights on.

Thanks again for your continued support.

We have a football club to be proud of once again.

Huw

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Garry Monk

CAPTAIN'S CORNER



We had to weather the storm in the first 25 minutes as they came flying at us, determined to get the result that moved them off the bottom of the league

➔ Good evening and welcome back to the Liberty Stadium for some 'Friday Night Live' football.

Tonight's game is very important fixture for us as we need to maintain our good league form by adding more points to our promotion chasing tally.

Luton will have their own target as they are currently in the relegation zone after picking up a 10-point deduction for going into administration. The fact that they are fighting for their lives will provide us with another tough test.

They have a lot of experienced and quality players. And, with a new manager in charge in Mick Harford, I'm sure he'll have them right up for the game.

That's why we will have to be at our positive best with you, the fans, fully behind us if we are to achieve the result we all want.

Tuesday's Johnstone's Paint Trophy tie against MK Dons was disappointing for us all in the respect that I still don't know how we ended up on the losing side after we created the best chances. But I suppose the fact that our old friend and goalkeeper Willy Gueret was their best player says it all really.

But we will not get too disappointed as we have another crack at them on Monday night in a second-leg we are all looking forward to.

Our two previous league games against Port Vale and Walsall produced very hard-fought victories.

Walsall worked extremely hard for the first hour to close us down, but we knew they wouldn't be able to keep it up for the full 90 minutes.

We remained patient and got our reward in the end thanks

to a cracker from Ferrie Bodde.

Port Vale away was another very big test of character for the lads. We had to weather the storm in the first 25 minutes as they came flying at us, determined to get the result that moved them off the bottom of the league.


But after that the team really stamped their authority on the game to totally dominate the second-half and secure a very important victory.

Thanks again to the 1,000 plus fans who travelled to Port Vale. You seem to be getting louder and louder with each away game and all the lads really appreciate your support.

Please get right behind us tonight and shout us on to another important three points.

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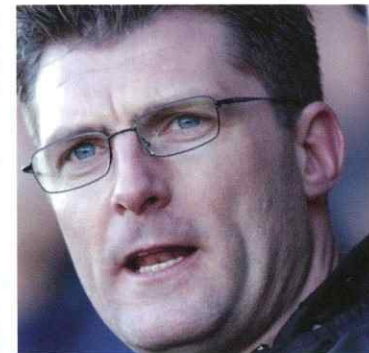
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Richie Evans



TREATMENT ROOM

He's a Greyhound not a Dashhound after all! Seriously though, if he doesn't make the Dons game on Monday, then Huddersfield will be his target

➔ With the games continuing to come thick and fast, it's no real surprise that we have started to pick up quite a few injuries over recent weeks.

Now hot on the heels of injuries to Andrea Orlandi, Dennis Lawrence and Paul Anderson, it looks like striker Guillem 'Bussy' Bauza will be out for two to three weeks with a groin strain.

Our Spanish striker picked up the injury against the MK Dons in the Johnstone's Paint Trophy on Tuesday.

While we've been preaching the prevention of injuries all season, there is only so much you can do when fatigue sets in due to the huge fixture schedule the players have to endure.

That's the reality of it and it's extremely frustrating.

Now we've got to work hard to counter the swelling with plenty of ice before building him back up with some straight line running.

Owain Tudur Jones has also suffered another slight setback after picking up a knock on his injured

ankle in a reserve team game against Bristol Rovers recently.

It's nothing serious and we've just got to take a slight step back for two to three weeks for him to take two massive steps forward.

While the loss of Bussy and OTJ is disappointing, there has been some good news to come out of the treatment room with Dennis Lawrence (knee) and Paul Anderson (hamstring) making rapid progress towards their comebacks.

Big Den returned to training at the start of the week with me before joining the rest of the squad on Wednesday.

He's done some high intensity work now and if he's not in the frame tonight, then he could possibly be back for the trip to stadiummk on Monday night.

You also saw a fleeting glimpse of Ando last Tuesday night when he turned in a faultless one-minute performance against the Dons before being replaced by young Shaun MacDonald.

There was no reoccurrence of

his hamstring injury – just a tactical switch. And he didn't even throw his shirt at the Gaffer and storm off down the tunnel!

Ando is now in the last stage of his strengthening and functional work and back in training.

He was able to do the full warm up on Tuesday night, but we've got to make sure he's 100 per cent before we throw him back in the action.

He's a Greyhound not a Dashhound after all! Seriously though, if he doesn't make the Dons game on Monday, then Huddersfield will be his target.

Andrea Orlandi (knee) is also back on the training field doing some straight line running now that he's got his land legs back.

He's been spending hours in the gym and in the pool under the watchful eye of physio Ailsa Jones.

In fact, he's been doing so much swimming that he's not only ready to swim the Channel, but he's even started to develop an upper body!

Match Report

Port Vale

PORT VALE SWANSEA CITY

Score: 0-2

Venue: Vale Park

Competition: Coca Cola League One

Att: 4,347 Away: 1,404

POSSESSION: PV45% SC55%

SHOTS ON TARGET: PV7 SC11

SHOTS OFF TARGET: PV6 SC9

CORNERS: PV4 SC9

FOULS: PV16 SC10

MOST FOULS: 4 RODGERS

4 PRATLEY

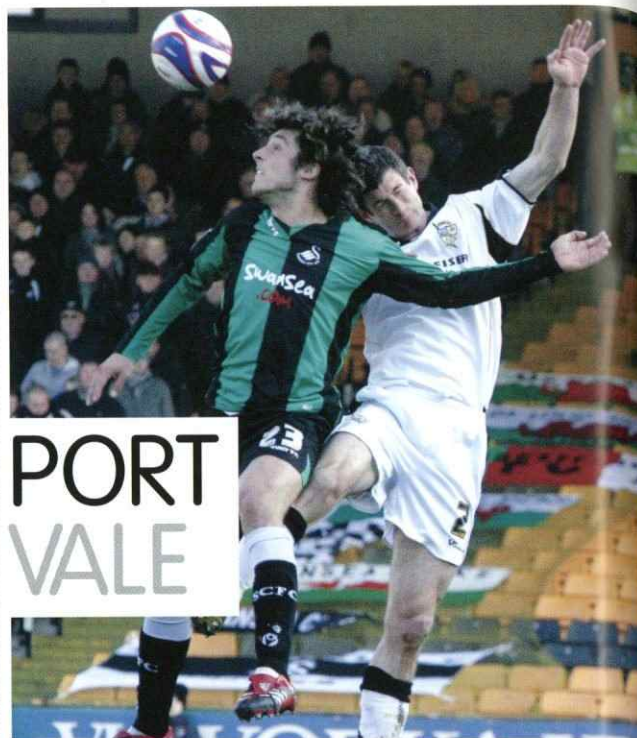
YELLOW CARDS: PV1 SC1

IN SUMMARY

Swans boss Roberto Martinez paid tribute to his defence after they gave his side the platform to fly 11 points clear at the top of League One. The league's bottom side gave the Swans a run for their money in the opening 25 minutes, creating a number of clear-cut chances only to be denied by some great goalkeeping from Dorus de Vries and last-gasp defending from skipper Garry Monk and Co. But having weathered the early storm, the Swans bounced back to stretch their unbeaten run in the league to 16 games courtesy of second-half goals from Jason Scotland (penalty) and Ferrie Bodde.

MAN OF THE MATCH

Dorus de Vries: The Dutch 'keeper pulled off some great saves early on to keep the Swans in the game and give them the platform to go on and secure another away win. Dorus' distribution and communication was also excellent throughout.



PORT
VALE



Images: Gerard Austin

Match Report

Port Vale

GOAL FLASH

63 mins: Swans: Tom Butler's cross found Jason Scotland inside the area. The ball was worked back to Andy Robinson who was brought down by Mulligan. Scotland slotted home his 18th goal of the season from the penalty spot.

76 mins: Swans: Tom Butler cut in from the right before firing a shot against the upright. The rebound struck Jason Talbot before Ferrie Bodde added the finishing touch on the line.

ROBERTO MARTINEZ

"Port Vale started the game really well and they were the better side. But I was very happy with the way we defended. We showed a different side to our game in that opening period; we showed we are able to defend and soak up pressure. You could see how the confidence of the two sides changed when the penalty went in. After that we were able to stamp our authority on the game and that's how the second goal came about. But those opening 25 minutes will help us keep our feet on the ground."

LEE SINNOTT PORT VALE BOSS

"I thought we were the team in the ascendancy for the first 45 minutes. This was against a very good team. But goals change games and change the mental psyche of teams. You only had to see once Swansea got their noses in front - they were like a peacock with its feathers. They were very efficient. You have to take your opportunities when they come along, but never more so than against a team at the top of the league."



Match Report

Milton Keynes Dons

SWANSEA CITY MILTON KEYNES DONS

Score: 0-1

Venue: Liberty Stadium

Competition: JPT Area Final 1st Leg

Att: 10,125 Away: 576

POSSESSION: SC58% MK42%

SHOTS ON TARGET: SC11 MK6

SHOTS OFF TARGET: SC6 MK4

CORNERS: SC6 MK3

FOULS: SC10 MK20

MOST FOULS: 2 BRANDY
5 ANDREWS

YELLOW CARDS: SC0 MK3

IN SUMMARY

The Swans will take a one-goal deficit into the second-leg of their Johnstone's Paint Trophy area final on Monday after going down to a rare defeat at the Liberty Stadium. Jemal Johnson gave the MK Dons the advantage with a great second-half strike after goalkeeper Willy Gueret pulled off a string of fine saves to deny his former club. Swansea wasted a host of chances early in the first half as the Dons left holding the Wembley advantage.

MAN OF THE MATCH

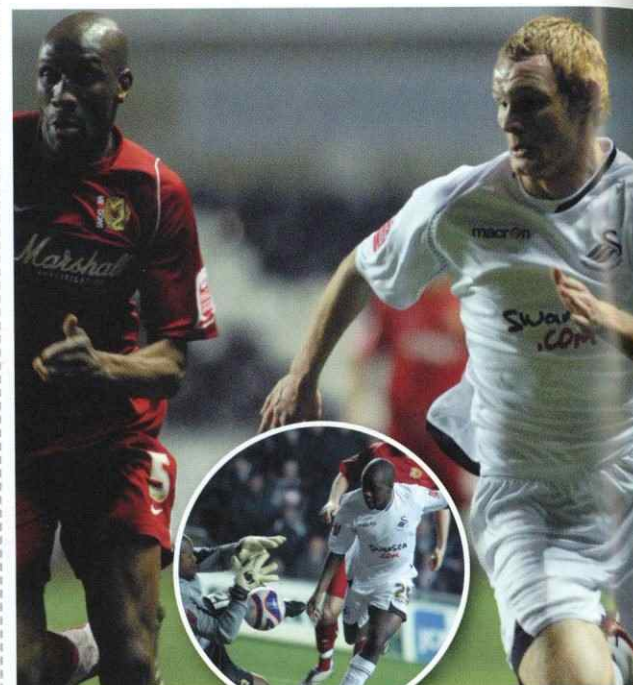
Shaun MacDonald: The Welsh Under-21 international came off the bench after just a minute for a rare appearance and turned in a great performance full of energy and guile.

GOAL RUSH

69 mins: MK Dons: Swansea conceded a free-kick which Keith Andrews took quickly with a square pass. Swans were slow to react and Jemal Johnson fired a low shot into the corner from 25 yards.



MILTON KEYNES DONS



Match Report

Milton Keynes Dons

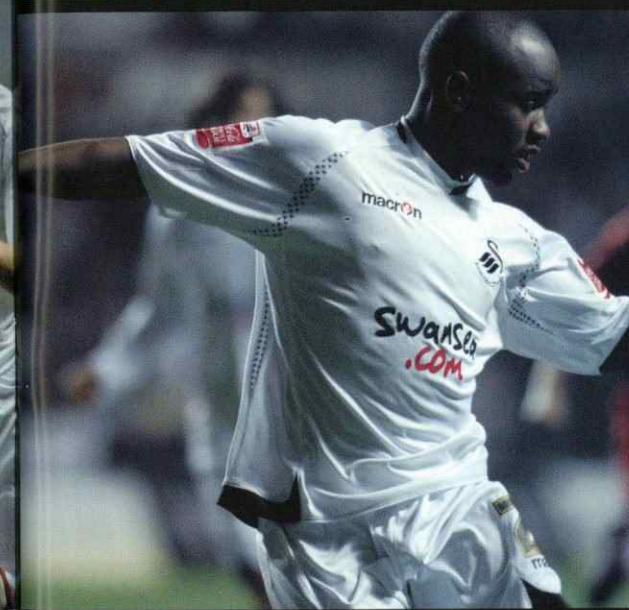


ROBERTO MARTINEZ

"When you don't take your chances and then concede a sloppy goal, you don't win football games. We created enough clear cut chances early on to win the game. Our movement was good, but our finishing was poor and it allowed Willy (Gueret) to make some good saves. It's always seems to be the case that when a player goes back to his old club he has the game of his life. At the moment though I'm more disappointed with the sloppy goal we gave away. Our standards are far higher than that. But it's far from over. We will look forward to the challenge of the second-leg and we are still very confident of getting to Wembley. I knew it would be a 180-minute affair and nothing would be decided until we went to their place."

PAUL INCE MK DONS BOSS

"It was a great performance in the second half. In the first half I thought we stood off them and showed them a bit too much respect. If it wasn't for Willy Gueret we could have been two or three nil down at half-time. I told the lads at half-time that we were a top of the table side too and in the second half we played in the way we know we can. Swansea are a very good footballing side and to come here and get a win and a clean sheet is great for the lads."



Remaining Fixtures 07/08 Season

Swansea City	Doncaster Rovers	Carlisle United	Leyton Orient
March	February	February	February
Huddersfield 1 Away	Carlisle 23 Away	Doncaster 23 Home	Notts Forest 23 Home
Millwall 7 Home	March	March	March
Tranmere 11 Home	Tranmere 1 Away	Notts Forest 1 Away	Brighton 1 Away
Northampton 15 Away	Bristol Rovers 4 Away	Brighton 8 Home	Huddersfield 8 Home
Bristol Rovers 18 Away	Port Vale 8 Home	Luton 11 Home	Swindon 11 Home
Southend 22 Away	Gillingham 11 Home	Swindon 15 Away	Millwall 15 Away
Bristol Rovers 24 Home	Brighton 15 Away	Leyton Orient 22 Away	Carlisle 22 Home
Hartlepool 29 Away	Yeovil 21 Away	Northampton 24 Home	Cheltenham 24 Away
April	Oldham 24 Home	Gillingham 29 Away	Port Vale 29 Away
Bournemouth 5 Home	Notts Forest 28 Home	April	April
Carlisle 8 Away	April	Yeovil 5 Home	Leeds 5 Home
Gillingham 12 Away	Huddersfield 5 Away	Swansea City 8 Home	Oldham 12 Away
Yeovil 19 Home	Swindon 11 Home	Leeds 12 Away	Doncaster 19 Home
Leyton Orient 26 Home	Leyton Orient 19 Away	Southend 19 Home	Swansea 26 Away
May	Luton 26 Home	Millwall 26 Away	May
Brighton 3 Away	May	May	Bristol Rovers 3 Home
	Cheltenham 3 Away	Bournemouth 3 Home	
	Leeds TBA	Crewe TBA	
		Notts Forest TBA	

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Crewe 8 Away	Northampton 8 Home	Bournemouth 8 Home	Oldham 8 Away
Southend 11 Away	Brighton 11 Home	Cheltenham 11 Home	Swansea City 11 Away
Walsall 15 Home	Notts Forest 15 Away	Port Vale 15 Away	Hartlepool 15 Home
Northampton 21 Away	Leeds 22 Away	Walsall 22 Home	Port Vale 20 Home
Brighton 24 Home	Crewe 24 Home	Huddersfield 25 Away	Bournemouth 24 Away
Doncaster 28 Away	Southend 29 Away	Brighton 29 Home	Swindon 28 Home
April	April	April	April
Cheltenham 5 Home	Tranmere 5 Home	Leyton Orient 5 Away	Walsall FC 5 Away
Bristol Rovers 8 Home	Cheltenham 12 Away	Carlisle 12 Home	Notts Forest 12 Home
Tranmere 12 Away	Bournemouth 19 Home	Millwall 19 Away	Huddersfield 19 Away
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ONE TO WATCH

Paul Peschisolido

The experienced striker joined Luton on a one-year deal in July 2007. The Canadian-born striker joined from Derby, where he played a big part in lifting the Rams into the Premiership. With more than 500 appearances in English football, his career spans almost 15 years. He has scored 136 goals in that time. A flamboyant character, Paul is married to the glamorous Karren Brady, MD at Birmingham City, where he made his debut in English football in 1992. After starting his career in the Canadian Soccer League with the Toronto Blizzard, he joined Birmingham. His form at St Andrews prompted Stoke City to pay £400,000 for him in 1994. After a brief return to Birmingham, he then moved on to West Brom before dropping down a division to join Fulham in October 1997 for £1.1 million. At Craven Cottage he helped the club win promotion as Division Two champions with 117 appearances, scoring 30 goals.

A succession of loan spells followed at QPR, Norwich and Sheffield United before making a permanent move to Sheffield in 2001. In March 2004, he joined Derby in a swap deal with Izale McLeod, who moved to United on-loan for the rest of the season. At Derby he helped them win promotion to the Premiership.

Calvin Andrew

After scoring an incredible eight goals in three games for the Under -18 side, Calvin made his Luton debut in September 2004, making 11 appearances. A tall, powerful and direct front-man, Calvin possesses a lightning turn of speed and the ability to score goals with his head and on the ground.

Ed Asafu-Adjaye

Ed Asafu-Adjaye is in his first year as a pro having made significant progress through the club's youth set-up. The full-back, who spent a short time on-loan at non-league side Walton & Hersham, made the breakthrough into the first team under former boss Mike Newell

when the club was stretched to the limits through injury and suspension.

Zac Barrett

Promising young goalkeeper whose performances for the Youth team during the 2005/06 season earned him a pro contract. He was the only player to be taken on by the club from Youth team level last season and it is hoped he will have a bright future in the game.

David Bell

The talented young midfielder signed a three and a half year contract with the Hatters in mid-January 2006 after joining from Rushden & Diamonds. He rose through the ranks at to quickly establish himself as a firm favourite. Bell, who has been capped by Republic of Ireland at U19 and U21 level, made 121 starts for Rushden, scoring 10 goals. After missing the start of the 2006/07 season through injury, Bell went on to enjoy a successful season and picked up two awards at end of season's presentations.

Marlon Beresford

Marlon signed at the beginning of July 2004 from Barnsley. The 34-year-old is a vastly experienced goalkeeper with over 400 appearances under his belt and he returned to Kenilworth Road on a two-year contract. Marlon has appeared for a handful of clubs during his career, but the majority of his time has been spent with Sheffield Wednesday, Burnley and Middlesbrough. Marlon has been ever present for the last two seasons before he was replaced between the sticks by youngster Dean Brill at the end of the 2006/07 season

Dean Brill

The Luton-born goalkeeper is another young player of whom big things are expected. Dean

won the goalkeeper's jersey when boss Hatters boss Kevin Blackwell took over the managerial reigns and was named Young Player of the Season. Brill joined his home-town club at the age of nine and has progressed through the Centre of Excellence. A tall, commanding goalkeeper at 6ft 3in.

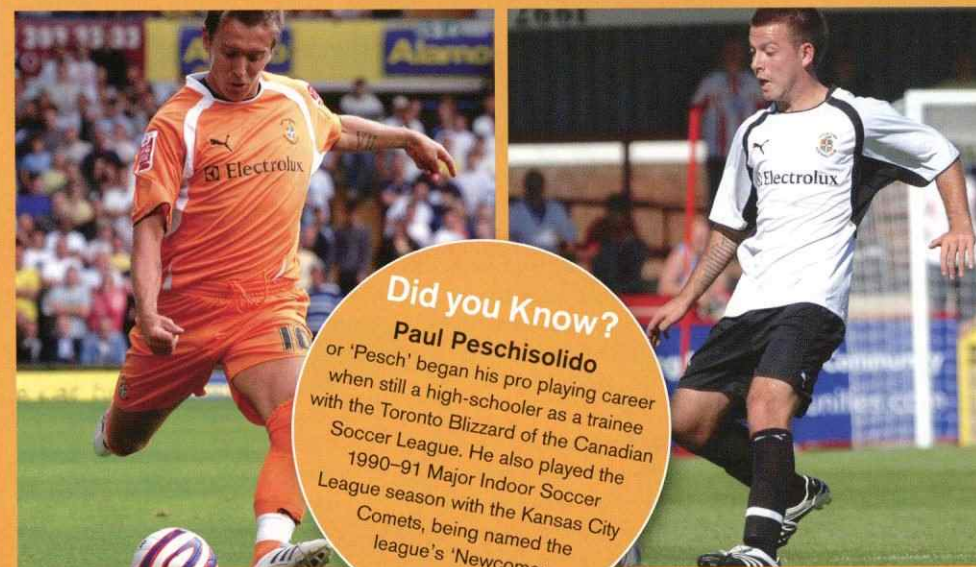
Darren Currie

Darren signed a two-year deal at Kenilworth Road in July 2007. The experienced midfielder started his career at West Ham as a trainee, but did not break into the first-team during his three year stay at Upton Park. His first senior appearance was with Shrewsbury, where he made 66 appearances at Gay Meadow in two years. An unsuccessful spell at Plymouth followed before he became

a distinguished player at Barnet and then at Wycombe, where he made over 100 appearances for each club. After four years at Wycombe, Currie moved to Brighton where he soon became a key figure in the Albion side. His impressive form at the Withdean alerted the attentions of Ipswich boss Joe Royle, who signed the midfielder in a £250,000 deal. During his time at Portman Road, Currie made 88 appearances and scored nine goals before returning to sign on loan with Derby.

Sol Davis

Luton swooped for the tough-tackling left back at the end of the 2001-02 season from Swindon, a club he joined as a trainee.

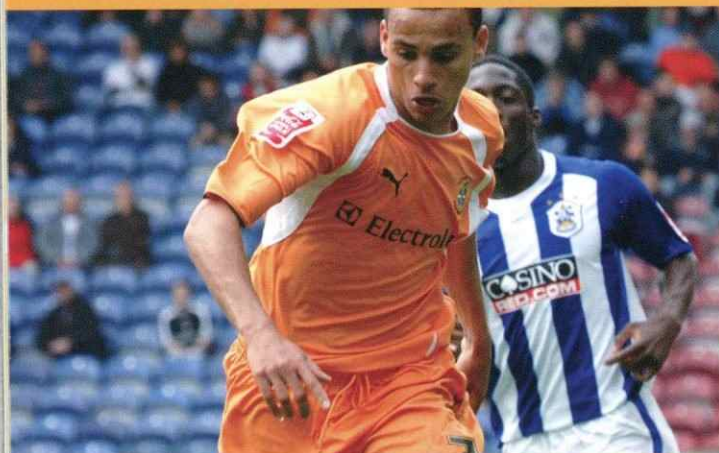
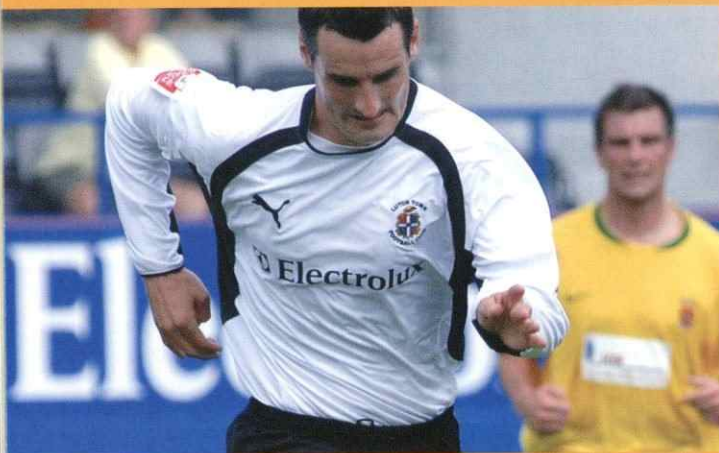


Darren Currie

Keith Keane

Did you Know?
Paul Peschisolido
or 'Pesch' began his pro playing career when still a high-schooler as a trainee with the Toronto Blizzard of the Canadian Soccer League. He also played the 1990-91 Major Indoor Soccer League season with the Kansas City Comets, being named the league's 'Newcomer of the Year'

Today's Visitors Luton Town



Above: Matthew Spring, Dean Morgan

He made rapid progress through the youth and reserve teams to become a regular in the Football League. Sol was unfortunately involved in a serious incident during the 2006/07 season when he suffered a stroke on the team bus prior to the club's visit to Ipswich. Sol, however, made a miraculous recovery and despite being told

by doctors it will take months for him to return he was back in action and started in the game against Cardiff City on New Years Day, 2007.

Lewis Emanuel

Lewis arrived at Kenilworth Road in the summer of 2006 after deciding to leave his home town club Bradford City, the place

where the defender started his career. Lewis is a quick full-back, but can also play on the left side of midfield. Lewis made over 150 appearances for Bradford in six-years at the club.

Paul Furlong

The striker started his career with non-league Enfield before moving to Coventry City in a £130,000 deal. A move to Watford followed and during his time at Vicarage Road he made 92 appearances, hitting the target 41 times before a money spinning move to Chelsea followed. The London club splashed out £2.3 million on the striker and during two years playing in the Premiership he made 85 appearances and scored 17 times. Birmingham broke their record transfer fee in July 1996 and took Furlong to St Andrews when they splashed out £1.5 million for his services. Furlong made a real impact, scoring 56 goals during 153 appearances.

Alan Goodall

Alan started his career at Welsh club Bangor City in 2001, spending four years at Farrar Road, where he scored 10 goals in 91 games. During his first season at Bangor he played in the Welsh Cup final, picking up a runners-up medal in a defeat against Barry Town. Goodall has also tasted European football as he was part of the Bangor side that lost to Serbia side FK Smederevo in their 2002-03 UEFA Cup campaign. The defender moved to Rochdale

in 2004 and went on to become a fans favourite at Spotland, making 131 appearances and scoring eight goals.

Don Hutchison

The experienced midfielder signed a one-year contract as Luton - his ninth club of his illustrious career. Hutchison started at Hartlepool as a trainee, but was quickly spotted by Liverpool in 1990, before moving to Sheffield United and Sunderland. The midfielder signed for West Ham for a club record transfer fee of £5 million in August 2001. He had previously broken the club's record transfer fee - £1.5 million - when he signed for his spell at the club in August 1994. He joined Millwall in August 2005 after being released at the start of the 2005-06 season by West Ham. He spent barely three months at the New Den and signed for Coventry. During his career, Hutchison played 26 times for Scotland, scoring six goals, including one strike against

England in a Euro 2000 play-off.

Richard Jackson

Richard had a distinguished career at Derby County. The full-back was the longest serving player at Pride Park prior to signing a two year deal at Kenilworth Road. Jackson joined Derby in March 1999 from Scarborough after playing only 24 senior games for the Seaside club. He made a few Premiership appearances for Derby before he made more of a breakthrough in 2002/03. He became a more permanent player in the side the following year.

Keith Keane

Having made his debut as a 16-year-old in November 2003, Keith made 14 appearances while still in the first year of his scholarship. Another of the youth team who regularly appears for the Republic of Ireland at schoolboy level, he joined the Hatters at the age of nine.

Richard Langley

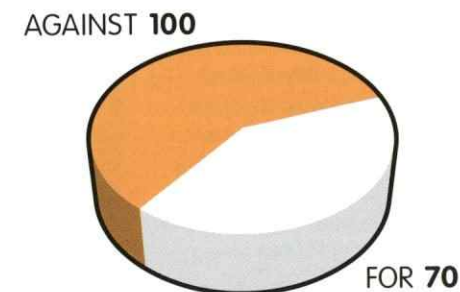
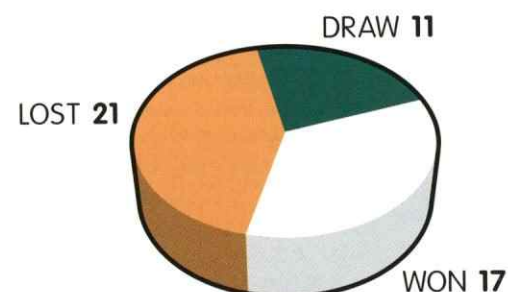
Richard signed for Luton in July 2006 after being released by QPR. A hard working midfielder, he started his career at Loftus Road after progressing through their youth ranks and went on to make nearly 150 appearances for the club. It was his form that prompted Cardiff to splash out £200,000 for the midfielder and which led to him gaining international caps for Jamaica. Cardiff transferred him back to QPR in August 2005.

Paul McVeigh

Paul started his career at Spurs where he made three appearances, before joining Norwich in March 2000 on a free transfer. He helped Norwich win promotion to the Premiership and although he only played few games for the Canaries in the top flight, he did get on the score sheet at Old Trafford. During his spells at Tottenham and Norwich, he was capped by

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Northern Ireland 20 times in total.

Dean Morgan

Morgan moved to Kenilworth Road from Reading in July 2005 after seeing his opportunities limited at the Madjeski Stadium. The former Colchester striker scored three league goals in 13 starting appearances for the Royals. Morgan, who had a trial with the Hatters earlier in his career, came through the ranks at Colchester. He is a skilful midfielder who likes to get forward at every opportunity.

Stephen O'Leary

Stephen is a skilful midfielder who has spent time on-loan with Tranmere. He joined Luton as a 13-year-old after the club fought off competition from top London clubs. His game is a mixture of skill and determination, and he is equally at home going forward or in a midfield holding role.

Sam Parkin

The ex-Chelsea trainee is a forward with a prolific goalscoring record and signed for Luton in August 2006 despite strong interest from other Championship clubs. After signing for Swindon in August 2002, Parkin set the Football League world alight, scoring 67 league goals in 120 appearances. His goalscoring talents captured the attention of the bigger clubs and Parkin signed for Ipswich in the summer of 2005 for £550,000. Following Joe Royle's



Alan Goodall

departure at the end of last season, Parkin joined Luton ahead of Preston on a three-year deal worth £340,000.

Chris Perry

Chris brought plenty of experience with him when he signed a two-year contract. In 1991 Perry started his career at Wimbledon and went on to make more than 200 appearances before moving to Spurs in 1999. When Sol Campbell moved to Arsenal, Perry became a first choice defender at White Hart Lane before he lost his place due to injury. During his time at White Hart Lane, Perry made 146 appearances. After initially joining Charlton on-loan, a £100,000 fee was agreed and he made 76 appearances during his three-year stay. Perry was released by in May 2006 and joined West Brom on a two-year deal.

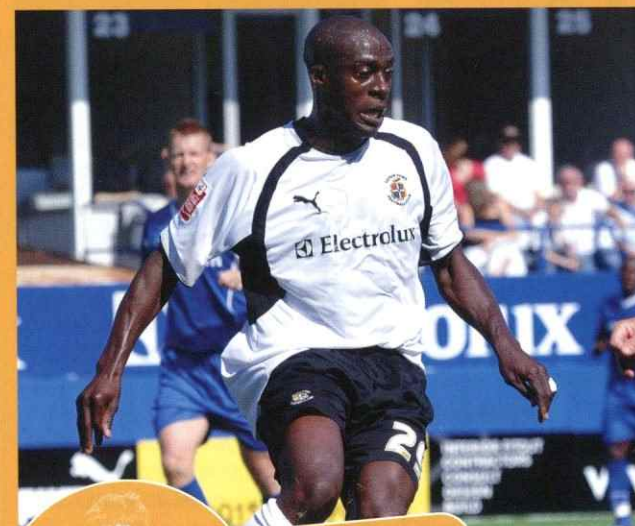
Steve Robinson

Steve is a hard working midfielder who has become a firm favourite with the fans. Luton snapped him up for £50,000 to Preston in the summer of 2002. Capped five times by Northern Ireland, he had made his name at Bournemouth after joining the Cherries on a free transfer from Spurs, where he had been a trainee. Preston paid £375,000 for him.

Matthew Spring

Matthew returned to Luton in January 2007 after leaving the club in 2004 to join Leeds. He had been at Luton since he was a schoolboy and was a driving force in the side which reached the FA Youth Cup semi-final in 1997. After a league debut when still only 17, he became a regular in the first team and his first 100 appearances were clocked up while he was only 20.

Today's Visitors Luton Town



Hatter's Legend
Bruce Rioch

Almost a local boy, having moved to Luton at the age of 14, the young Bruce Rioch signed pro forms in September 1964. Making his debut later that month in a League Cup tie, Rioch was at the top of his profession when the Hatters walked away with the Division Four championship in 1968. Showing blistering power, while attacking from deep, and a hammer shot, Rioch blasted 24 goals during that promotion-winning campaign and became the darling of the terraces. Rioch turn out 24 times for Scotland, the birthplace of his father, and lead them to the World Cup finals before going into management.



Above: Paul Furlong, David Bell

Unfortunately, Matthew endured a difficult time at Leeds where a succession of injuries meant he made only 15 appearances during his 12 month stay. He joined Watford in August 2005 where he rediscovered his form before moving on to Luton on a two-and-a-half year contract worth £200,000.

Drew Talbot

Drew signed for Luton in a £250,000 deal in January 2007 from Sheffield Wednesday. Originally on the books of Barnsley, Talbot drifted out of football after injury but came back with Sheffield Wednesday's Academy in the 2003/04 season. During the January 2007 transfer window, Talbot signed a loan-contract with League One promotion-chasers Scunthorpe before signing at Kenilworth Road.

Paul Underwood

Luton fought off competition from a number of clubs to complete the free transfer of Underwood from Rushden & Diamonds. The Wimbledon-born defender joined Rushden for £50,000 in the summer of 1997 from Enfield and went on to make over 200 appearances for the Northamptonshire club. During his time at Nene Park he was a regular in the England semi-professional squad and in 2002/03 he led the club to the 3rd Div Championship and was named as Rushden's Player of the Season.

FAMOUS FEW

Football historian Leigh Edwards
profiles the leading managers
from today's opposition



Above Syd Owen, David Pleat, Joe Kinnear

Ned Liddell

Ned Liddell managed Luton Town to the Third Division (South) title in 1936-37. A former centre-half, he played for Whitburn, Southampton, Gainsborough, Clapton Orient, Southend United and Arsenal before rejoining Southend as manager in April 1919. He was appointed QPR's boss in April 1920 and guided them to the FA Cup quarter-finals in 1922-23, then scouted for Fulham before becoming their manager for two years in May 1929. After a period scouting for West Ham, he managed Luton from August 1936 until February 1938, then scouted for Chelsea, Portsmouth, Brentford and Spurs. He died in November 1969.

Dally Duncan

Former Scotland international winger Dally Duncan managed Luton Town to the top-flight in 1954-55. Signing professional for Hull City in August 1928, he moved to Derby County in March 1932 and featured in their 1946 FA Cup final success. He became Luton's player-boss in October 1946 and steered them to eighth place in the top-flight in 1957-58. Appointed Blackburn Rovers' manager in October 1958, he led them to the 1960 FA Cup final and remained in charge at Ewood Park until sacked in June 1960. He later scouted for Luton and ran a guest-house in Brighton, residing there until his death in January 1990.

Syd Owen

Long-serving England international centre-half Syd Owen was both a player and manager at Luton Town. Signing professional for Birmingham City in Oct 1945, he moved to Luton in June 1947 and starred in their 1951-52 FA Cup run, 1952-53 promotion near-miss and 1954-55 promotion success. He was voted 'Footballer of the Year' as Luton were FA Cup finalists in 1959 and netted three

goals in 388 League games before becoming manager for a year in May 1959. Later Leeds United's chief coach under Don Revie until October 1975, he then coached at Birmingham, Hull City and Manchester United. He died in 1998.

Allan Brown

Ex-Scotland international inside-forward Allan Brown managed Luton Town to the Fourth Division title in 1967-68. He was a Scottish Cup finalist with East Fife shortly before joining Blackpool in December 1950 and moved to Luton in February 1957. Appearing in the 1959 FA Cup final, he netted 51 goals in 151 League games for the Hatters prior to joining Portsmouth in March 1961. He helped win the Third Division title in 1961-62, then had a spell as Wigan Athletic's player-boss and was Luton's manager from November 1966 until December 1968, later managing Torquay, Bury, Nottingham Forest, Southport and Blackpool.

Alec Stock

Alec Stock managed Luton Town to promotion in 1969-70. He was a forward

with Charlton and QPR before becoming Yeovil Town's player-boss, plotting their epic 1948-49 FA Cup run. Appointed Leyton Orient's boss in August 1949, he led them to the FA Cup sixth round in 1953-54 and Third Division (South) title in 1955-56, returning from spells at Arsenal and Roma. He became QPR's boss in August 1959, taking them to the top-flight and League Cup glory, then managed Luton from December 1968 until April 1972. Guiding Fulham to the 1975 FA Cup final, he later managed AFC Bournemouth and died in April 2001.

Harry Haslam

Popular manager Harry Haslam guided Luton Town back to the top-flight in 1973-74. Initially with Rochdale, the full-back played for Oldham Athletic, Brighton, Leyton Orient, Guildford City and Hastings United, then managed Eastbourne United, Barry Town and Tonbridge before becoming Fulham's chief scout. He assisted Alec Stock at Luton prior to succeeding him as manager in May 1972, remaining in charge of the Hatters until leaving in January 1978 to manage Sheffield United. He scouted for England under Bobby Robson and died in September 1986. His son Keith is now Mansfield's managing director.

David Pleat

Articulate manager David Pleat managed Luton Town to the Second Division title in 1981-82. A former winger, he played for Nottingham Forest, Luton, Shrewsbury, Exeter and Peterborough before becoming Nuneaton's player-boss. He rejoined Luton as coach in July 1972 and became manager in January 1978, guiding the Hatters to the FA Cup semi-finals in 1984-85. Taking charge of Spurs in May 1986,

he led them to the 1987 FA Cup final, then managed Leicester City before rejoining Luton in June 1991. He took the Hatters to the FA Cup semi-finals again in 1993-94, leaving in June 1995. Now working in the media.

Ray Harford

Ray Harford plotted Luton Town's 1988 Littlewoods Cup final triumph. A centre-half with Charlton, Exeter, Lincoln, Mansfield, Port Vale and Colchester, he was appointed youth team coach at Layer Road. He joined Fulham in a similar capacity in June 1981 and was manager for two years before moving to Luton as assistant-boss in July 1986. Becoming manager in June 1987, he also guided them to the Simod Cup final and FA Cup semi-finals in 1987-88, then the 1989 Littlewoods Cup final. Sacked in January 1990, he later managed Wimbledon, Blackburn Rovers, West Brom and QPR. He died in August 2003.

Joe Kinnear

Former Republic of Ireland international right-back Joe Kinnear plotted Luton Town's 2001-02 promotion success. Signing professional for Spurs in February 1965, he helped them win the FA Cup in 1967. League Cup twice and UEFA Cup in 1972. He moved to Brighton in August 1975, then coached overseas before assisting Dave Mackay at Doncaster. Joining Wimbledon as coach in September 1989, he became manager in January 1992 and led them to the semi-finals of both the FA Cup and League Cup in 1996-97. He left after a heart-attack, then managed Luton from January 2001 until June 2003 and later Nottingham Forest.



Mike Newell

Ex-England U-21 striker Mike Newell managed Luton Town to the League One title in 2004-05. Initially with Liverpool, he moved via Crewe to Wigan Athletic in October 1983 and scored in their 1985 Freight Rover trophy final triumph. He played for Luton, Leicester City and Everton prior to joining Blackburn Rovers in November 1991, helping win promotion in 1991-92 and the Premiership title in 1994-95. Later with Birmingham City, he became Hartlepool's boss in November 2002, plotting their 2002-03 promotion success. He rejoined Luton as manager in June 2003 and remained in charge until sacked in March 2007.



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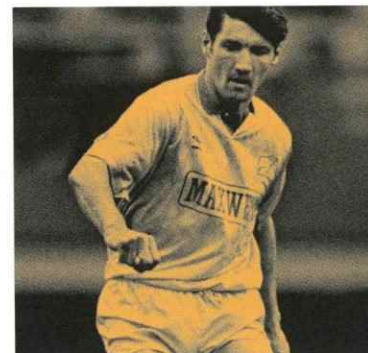
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Manager Focus

Hatter's Mick Harford



MICK TAKER!

Having left Forest in January 2005, he had intended to spend the rest of the season helping out old friend Andy King at Swindon Town

➔ Since hanging up his boots, Mick has twice had a spell on the coaching staff at Luton, initially as assistant manager under Joe Kinnear and more recently as Director of Football for Mike Newell.

During his first spell at the club he helped mastermind the Hatters' promotion back to the Second Division in 2001/02 and as Director of Football and first team coach he played his part in building the side that secured promotion to the Championship, running away with the League One title during 2004/05.

Harford left the Hatters in November 2004 to be re-united with Kinnear at Nottingham Forest. He then took over as caretaker manager at Forest in December 2004, replacing Kinnear for a total of six matches before Gary Megson was confirmed as the new manager at the City Ground.

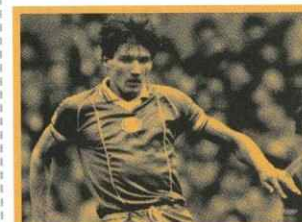
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out old friend Andy King at Swindon Town. However, after a couple of months at the County Ground, he became manager at Rotherham United, whose relegation from what is now the Championship had already been confirmed.

The eight month spell in charge at Millmoor was the first managerial job he held in his own right and on leaving the club he had a short spell coaching the forwards at Millwall, before he hooked up with his former Derby County team-mate Geriant Williams at Colchester United in summer 2006 as his number two. It was a position he held for a year before the opportunity arrived to join John Gregory - again as an assistant manager - at QPR in June 2007.

In October 2007, Harford took caretaker charge at QPR for one month following Gregory's dismissal, losing only once in five games before he himself left the club when Luigi De Canio took over as a manager.

He is assisted at Luton by former Portsmouth and QPR defender Warren Neill.



Mick Harford's Playing Career

Senior Clubs

Years	Club	App (Gls)*
77-80	Lincoln City	115 (41)
80-81	Newcastle United	19 (4)
81-82	Bristol City	30 (11)
82-84	Birmingham City	92 (25)
84-90	Luton Town	139 (57)
90-91	Derby County	58 (15)
91-92	Luton Town	29 (12)
90-93	Chelsea	28 (9)
93-93	Sunderland	11 (2)
93-94	Coventry City	1 (1)
94-98	Wimbledon	60 (9)

National Team

Years	Club	App (Gls)*
88-89	England	2 (0)

* Appearances (Goals)

Swans Pictured Away

JACKS AWAY

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You can also post pictures to Jonathan Wilsher, Swansea City, Liberty Stadium, Swansea, SA1 2FA. We apologise in advance that these pictures will not be returned.



Right

A picture of myself, my father and my cousins on our Christmas Holiday in France. It was taken at Val Thorens 2300m the highest ski resort in Europe and it was very cold although we were warmed up by the Cheltenham result that afternoon.

Mike & Steve Saddler season ticket holders in the East Stand plus cousins Ben & Dan Evans also regular Jacks.

Left

I just wanted to say thanks to the Swans management and team for sending a signed Swans shirt out to my son Alex Welch in India.

It was presented to him by Warren Barton and Robbie Earle at the recent launch of the Premier Skills programme (appropriate as I'm predicting Premier League football for the Swans in a couple of seasons!) here at the British Council in New Delhi, India, where I currently work and live.

Alex was later interviewed by an Indian TV station and was asked about his favourite team (Swansea of course!) and his favourite player (Leon Britton).

We are following the Swans progress closely on the internet and hope that their tremendous form will carry them upwards and onwards.

We'll definitely be straight down to the Liberty when we're next back in the UK.

In the meantime please pass on our best wishes through the programme to everyone connected with the club and wish them luck for the rest of the season.

Thanks, Mike Welch



Swans Pictured Away

Below

Here's a picture of Jack Caswell, aged 10, and dad Mark taken on holiday in Hawaii. The West Stand season ticket holders wish the team all the best and looking forward to the Championship!



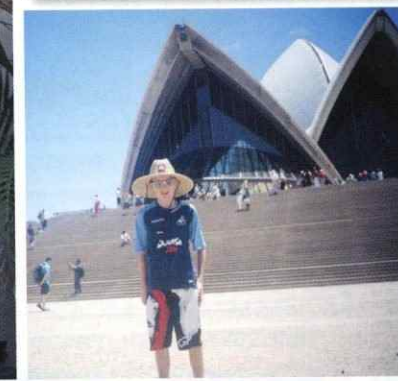
Below

Charlie Lawson, born 6 February, 2008. The new addition to the Jack Army is brother of Jack & Harri, season ticket holders in the South Stand.



Above and Below

Here are pictures of me in Sydney over Christmas; the only problems was that I missed the Leeds game! I have a season ticket in the West Stand. Jack Clee



Above

Here we are on a recent trip to Florida. It's my son Joshua Jones and myself (Barry). We are South Stand season ticket holders.



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What the Terriers Fans Think
'Towntastic' reckons the best thing about the Terriers is the support, while he predicts a 1-0 Town win, and believes they should finish above Leeds.

'Dell12' says Robert Page is the best thing about the club. A prediction of 1-1 and a finish in the league of 9th to 11th place. **'Terrier 26'** goes along the lines of "best thing is the signature of Robert Page and Andy Booth, the worst is the boo boys at home matches. The encounter will be a tight game with a 2-1 home win. We'll finish 8th.

Pubs and Grub

Last time was difficult to get in to some pubs as they were home fans only. This included 'The Cherry Tree' (HD1 1BA) a Wetherspoons in the town centre. The ground is a 20-minute walk from the town; you could try 'The Peacock' (HD2 1XL), 'Rickys Bar' (HD1 6NZ) or the 'Bradley Mills Social Club' (HD1 6PA). They're all on Leeds Road, about five to ten minutes walk from the stadium. There's an entertainment complex behind the North Stand, where there's 'The Rope Walk' (HD1 6PG) pub. Sometimes, they don't allow away fans. 'The Gas Club' (HD1 6NA) has food available with a patrolled club car park costing £2. The club is easy to find as it's right by the large gas holder.

Directions and Parking

After the M4 and M5, leave the M6 at J21a to join the M62 before leaving it at J12 to join the M60, then back on the M62. Leave the M62 at J23, onto the A640 then the A62. It's only 2 miles from here and is sign-posted. For the car parks turn right at the traffic lights, where the 'Market Tavern' (HD1 6NN) pub is on the corner. Alternatively, from the M5, the M42 and A42, then the M1, leave the M1 at J38, onto the A637, A642, A629, then A62, and follow signposts from there. There's a big car park at the ground (£5) and other car parks near for £3-£4. There's street parking around the ground too. Official Swans buses leave Morriston X 7.15am and the Quadrant at 7.30am at £17 and £20 for non-members. By Train: The ground is a 20-minute walk from the station. Turn down past the front of 'The George Hotel' (HD1 1JA). Go straight over the crossroads into Northumberland Street and walk down across the Ring Road onto Leeds Road. Turn RIGHT down Gasworks Street, then straight over the crossroads to the ground.

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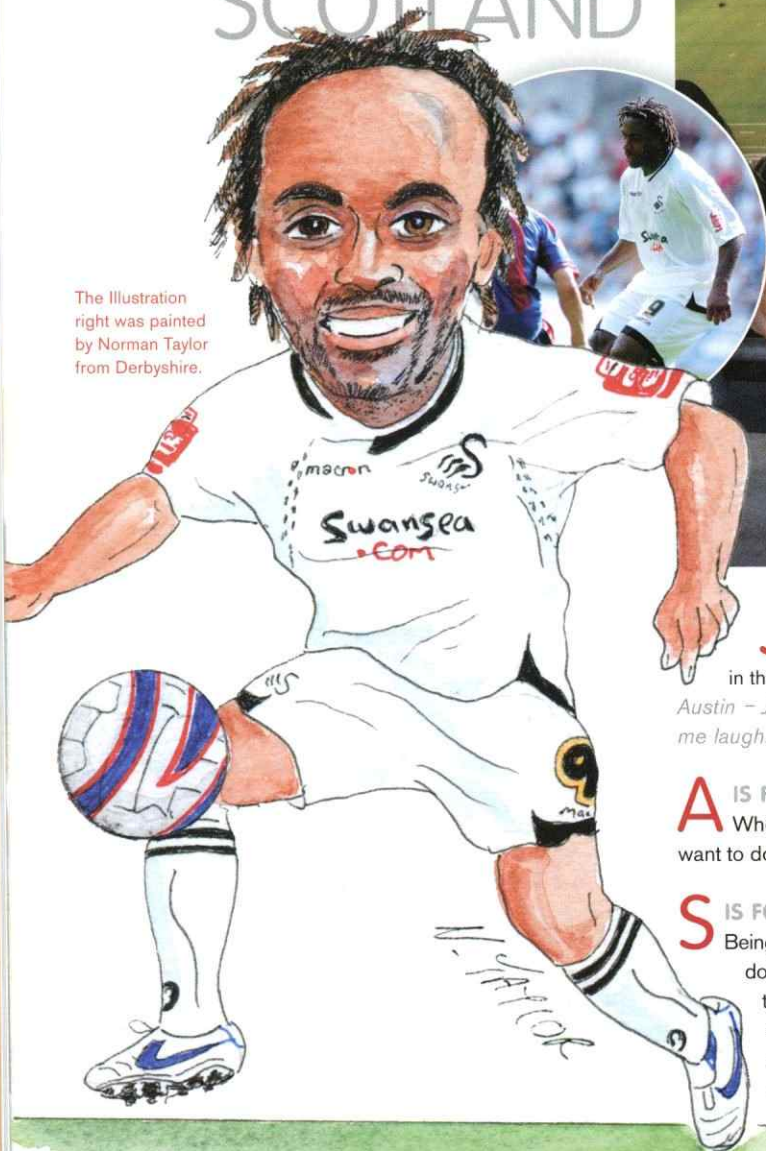
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What's in a Name?

JASON SCOTLAND

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J IS FOR JOKER
Who is the biggest joker in the squad - and why? Kevin Austin - Just watching him makes me laugh.

A IS FOR ADULT
When you grow up, what do you want to do after football? Taxi driver.

S IS FOR SAVINGS
Being a footballer, you obviously don't save any money! Who is the tightest member of the squad, and why? Garry Monk is the tightest. He never buys a round. When it's his turn, he goes to the toilet.

Player Q&A
What's in a Name?

O IS FOR OCCASION
What is your most memorable moment in football and life? Being part of the Trinidad & Tobago World Cup team.

N IS FOR NIGHT OUT
If you could invite any three people (dead or alive) out for a meal, who would it be? Michael Jordan, Helle Berry and Jennifer Lopez.

S IS FOR SEXY
What female makes your pulse race and who was your first crush? Watching J.Lo perform.

C IS FOR CLOTHES
Where do you buy your clothes and who has the worst taste at the club and why? You can get some good prices at Primark. Worst dressed is Bussy (Guillem Bauza). He just doesn't care.

O IS FOR OPEN GOAL
What is your most embarrassing moment on and/or off the field? Not getting my work permit to renew my contract at Dundee United and getting turned back at the airport.

T IS FOR TEARS
What makes you cry and who is the biggest cry-baby in the squad? Getting injured makes me cry, while the biggest cry-baby is Robbo (Andy Robinson)

L IS FOR LEGEND
Who are your favourite players, past and present - and why? Zinedine Zidane - Great to watch. Cristiano Ronaldo - Great goal scorer. Pure class.

A IS FOR ANGRY
Who or what makes you angry? Nothing makes me angry. I'm too laid back, man.

N IS FOR NICKNAME
What did they used to call you at school? What are your nicknames now? I used to be called 'Shoes' in school because I have big feet. Now it's just 'Jas'.

D IS FOR DISAPPOINTMENT
What's your most disappointing moment on football? Not playing in the World Cup finals for Trinidad & Tobago after making the squad.



Short & Sharp Jason Scotland



Name:
Jason Scotland
Nationality:
Trinidad & Tobago
Date of Birth:
18/02/1979
Height:
5' 8" (173cm)
Clubs:
Dundee Utd,
St Johnstone
Position: Striker



Nigel Benn



Scotland

Benn was a young technically gifted middleweight with a bizarre personality who gained mainstream recognition and fame. Nigel Benn famously lost his title to Chris Eubank in a ninth-round knockout, in the Birmingham on November 18, 1990.

Pre-match superstitions? None
Pre-match meal? Pasta
Favourite food? Anything made by my wife
Best player played with? Russell Latapy (T&T)
Best player played against? Adriano (Brazil)
What car do you drive? Honda Civic
Last DVD you bought? Rush Hour
Best thing about living in Swansea? The beaches
Favourite shop? Tesco
Favourite restaurant? Marks & Spencer
Worst thing about living in Swansea? Weather
Most famous person you've met? Brian Lara
Team supported as a boy? Liverpool (Ian Rush)
After you finish playing? Relax on the beach in Trinidad
Biggest moaner in squad? Andy Robinson
Your karaoke song? *In the Club* by 50 Cent

BEHIND CLOSED DOORS

Who is your room-mate on away games? Describe his good and bad points. I room with big Dennis Lawrence. **Good points:** He always puffs the pillow up for me before I go to bed and then tucks me in. **Bad points:** Always gets up after me so I don't get a cup of tea when I wake up.

A DAY IN THE LIFE OF...

Wakey, Wakey? 10am
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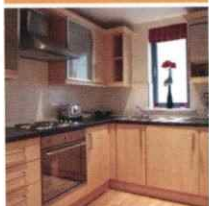


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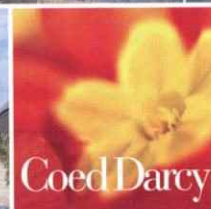
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It seems very strange to see all the media reporting on the television referring to runaway leaders Swansea City... nice though isn't it? I heard along the grapevine recently that the Sky Sports programme called 'Big League Weekend' had been renamed 'Big Leeds Weekend' due to the apparent over interest in the once mighty Leeds!

Gripe over, last Saturday four coach loads of fans settled back as we left Swansea for another trip north of Birmingham, this time to Port Vale. After a service stop at Strensham, the coaches split up with two heading for a break in Stafford and two to Stone. The ground is in Burslem, which is a suburb of Stoke, though the Vale fans would probably say that Stoke is a suburb of Burslem.

On arrival at the ground by just after 2.15pm, we were politely informed that the local hostelry was closing early, although there were drinks available in the ground. This is very much a contradiction in terms when you consider that fans must not be drunk entering a ground, but can then get drunk inside one!

There were plenty of police and stewards who were friendly enough and the facilities sold a good selection of foods and beverages. The toilets were clean and spacious and the programme at £2.50 was a good read.

The away end can hold over 4,000 fans and on Saturday there must have been at least 1,400 to 1,500 of us making a lot of noisy



for much of the match - and again well behaved. The rendition of Delilah did not go down well with the locals as it is a favourite ditty of the Stoke fans.

As there were three other coaches and various mini buses, the local police afforded us another escort all the way to the M6.

The usual thanks go to the stewards, without whose help the coaches could not be run.

Details of our forthcoming away matches are shown right;

Bookings can be made before home matches in the cabin outside main reception until 20 minutes before kick off and also the club shop throughout the week. Seats must be booked 48 hours before the trip.

Anyone found with alcohol can be prosecuted by the courts, while there is also a problem for the club the driver and the coach company.

Let's get behind the team today, as we know we can.

Until the next time. Ugo

PS: We'll be giving out free vouchers for use in the Moto Services on our next away trip to Huddersfield, worth £6.

Milton Keynes Dons Monday 25/02/08 7.45pm

JPT Area Final Second Leg

Morrison X	1.45pm
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Quadrant	2.00pm
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Price

Members	£15.00
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Huddersfield Town Saturday 01/03/08 3.00pm

Football League One

Morrison X	7.15am
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Quadrant	7.30am
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Price

Members	£17.00
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Non Members	£20.00
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TALKING FOOTBALL

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➔ Sunday, May 4, 2008, will hopefully be a day to remember for Swansea City's current squad.

Not only because it should signal the end of a long and memorable campaign that the Swans are aiming to crown with automatic promotion, but it will also earn them a 'day off'!

While British football has tended to stick blinkered by tradition through thick and thin, the 'Roberto Revolution' has seen the Swans coaching staff turn tradition on its head.

"If you paid a visit to most professional clubs in Britain, I can guarantee you'll find it hard to see a player on the training ground on a Wednesday and Sunday," explained Swans assistant-manager.

"It's traditional that they get two days off a week, usually those two days. It's standard practice."

Everywhere except Swansea City that is. "We train – or play – every day of the week," adds Graeme. "There are no days off here."

"If we are not preparing for a game, then the boys are in warming down and recovering from a game. That could be on the training ground or the gym, utilising

the ice baths or masseurs, or receiving treatment on bumps and bruises.

"Being a professional footballer is a 24/7 job because we expect them to look after themselves and perform at the same standard whether they are playing or training.

"It's the first time most of the boys have trained seven days a week. The foreign lads accepted it pretty much straight away, but for the British lads it came as a bit of a shock.

"But they are used to it now. I think they can see what we are trying to do and the benefits they've gained from it, because their attitude and enthusiasm has been first-class."

Swans fans have certainly seen the benefits as the Swansea flag continues to fly high at the top of League One.

Not only that, they've also witnessed some of the best football played in Swansea colours for many a year.

But being regularly crowned "the best footballing side in League One" by pundits and opposing managers alike, hasn't come easy.

As Roberto Martinez gets ready to blow the candles out this weekend on his first

year as Swans boss, his assistant blew the lid on why the Swans have been so successful this season.

"Roberto plans things out so far ahead, he's miles ahead of everyone. He seems to have this masterplan, which is obviously working.

"Everything is planned and worked out meticulously. He has a common sense approach to everything and just lives football.

"He'll tell you he's only had three days off since he took over the managerial reins a year ago. But I can tell you now that's simply not true. In fact he hasn't had one single day off."

And that enthusiasm has been matched by the rest of the coaching staff. It's a staff list Roberto has built meticulously with the likes of Graeme Jones, Colin Pascoe, Richie Evans, Inaki Bergara, Alan Curtis, Kevin Reeves and Ailsa Jones forming a close-knit team that is guiding

the Swans on to greater heights.

It also helps when the entire team agrees on the way the game should be played – the 'Martinez Way', with the ball on the floor instead of the sky.

"Fortunately, I hold the same beliefs as Roberto on how the game should be played," added Graeme. "Just as important, it's also a view shared by the players and the rest of the staff."

While Graeme admits that his job has been made easier by the quality of the players in the Swans squad, the change of style from the more direct approach they inherited on their arrival at the Liberty Stadium has taken time.

"Our style of play now is very different to when we first arrived," he added. "But both me and Roberto are both big believers in working hard on technique."

"I honestly believe that if we had another month last season, we would have got into the play-offs."

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"As I said, I'm a big believer in technical ability and if players are comfortable with the ball in training then they'll get that familiarity on a Saturday."



Boston United
Graeme Jones





THE TEAM

Personnel

Above: Alan Curtis, Inaki Bergara,
Kevin Reeves

Right: Suzan Eames, Graeme Jones,
Roberto Martinez, Richie Evans,
Colin Pascoe and Ailsa Jones.





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"For 12 weeks we put a lot of work into playing the systems we wanted and transferring that onto the pitch – and we always did that with the football out."

"But it wasn't to be and it gave us extra impetus to work very intensely both technically and tactically with the players during pre-season."

"I think the work we did then gave us a really good base. It probably wasn't quite enough time to get where we really wanted to be and that's why it took us six weeks of the season to get going, improve on little things and the results."

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Graeme's own playing career started, ironically, at former Swansea manager Kenny Jackett's new club – Millwall. It also nearly finished there after he was released as an 18-year-old to spend the next five years mixing non-league football in the North East – plus a season in Sweden – with life as a student and jobs as an insulation engineer and postman.

But when he eventually broke back into League football with Doncaster in 1993, the striker went on to hit the headlines four years later as a Golden Boot winner with Wigan after grabbing 33 goals in one season – the highest in the Football League.

And it was at Wigan where he first came across Roberto as the pair helped the club win the old Third Division title, the Autoglass Trophy and reached the semi-finals of the play-offs.

It was a glorious four-year spell before Graeme departed for Southend and St Johnstone, eventually retiring as a player with Hamilton to work extensively as a coach with the English FA and the Middlesbrough Academy after achieving his Uefa 'A' coaching licence at just 29.

He had returned to Scotland and Hamilton as assistant-manager when Roberto came calling to make him his first signing.

"I am delighted Graeme has agreed to join the Swansea City set up," said Roberto at the time. "His enthusiasm, knowledge, organisation and demands within the game will be vital for me to achieve all the aims I've got in mind."

"I was very happy at Hamilton and I didn't want to leave," admitted Graeme on his arrival. "If I did then it would have to be a special situation. I had just signed a three-year rolling contract there."

"But when I made the decision to move my family 500 miles then I had to trust the person I was working for and believe in him – I do with Roberto 100 per cent."

And Graeme was pleasantly surprised with what was waiting for him at the Liberty Stadium.

"I couldn't believe the talent we had in the dressing room. I was really surprised and I knew straight away that we had a chance."

"I knew we had a chance of success because of the size and scale of the place."

"We worked hard with the core of players already here and then brought in a few additions during the summer."

"The club and style of play is now very different to the one we inherited last February. But that's down to a collective effort from the staff and the players."

Roberto, is leading from the front.

"He can go as high and as far as he wants," declared Graeme. "Roberto has got everything to go all the way."

"He ticks all the right boxes. He knows the physical side of the game through his physiotherapy qualifications; tactically I haven't met a brighter manager at 34; he understands the psychological and mental side; while his technical expertise come from the culture he was born into in Spain."

So can Swansea as a club keep pace?

"Our reputation as a team and a club is growing every week," adds Graeme. "But at the moment we've got to ignore it because we haven't achieved anything."

"The players will earn their reputations on the pitch with every touch and every performance. Hopefully they will continue to represent themselves with pride right up until the end of the season."

"They are getting pats on the back,

and quite rightly so, but they know they haven't achieved anything yet."

"Swansea has the potential to be a Premier League club. But you can talk about potential all day long – you have to fulfill it."

The Championship will do for now though. Perhaps then on Sunday, May 4, 2008, Roberto can catch up on his missing siestas and the rest of his staff and players can have a day off! **SWAN**

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TICKETS & NEWS



Huddersfield Town

Tickets for Swansea's fixture at Huddersfield Town on Saturday, March 1 (3pm) are now on sale from the Liberty Stadium ticket office

The club has been given an initial allocation of 750 tickets in the Pink Link Stand. Advanced tickets are priced at £16.50 for adults; £9 for senior citizens (over 60) and full-time students; and £5 for under 16s.

Tickets are also available on the day at the Galpharm Stadium, priced at £19 for adults; £10 for senior citizens (over 60) and full-time students; and £7 for under 16s. Wheelchair prices are £11 with free carer in advance or £12 on the day.

Ambulant disabled are priced at £16.50 with free carer in advance or £19 on the day.

Supporters who require disabled parking should contact the Doncaster ticket office on 0870 4444 552.

Southend United Good Friday

Swansea City's League One fixture at Southend United will now be a Good Friday affair. The fixture has been brought forward a day from Saturday, March 22, to Bank Holiday Friday, March 21, with a 1pm kick-off.

Both clubs agreed to move the fixture for footballing reasons, although the early kick-off was on the request of the police.

With the Swans due to take on Bristol Rovers at home on Easter Monday, March

24, Roberto Martinez's squad will enjoy an extra day's recovery time towards their continued push for promotion.

Tickets for the Southend game are now on sale. The club has been given an initial allocation of 1006 seated tickets in the Universal Cycles North Stand behind the goal, although a further allocation is available if required.

Advanced tickets are £20 for adults; £13 for senior citizens (over 60); £12 for full-time students (ID) and 17-20 year olds (ID); and £10 for 16 years and under.

Family tickets are also available in the away family enclosure, priced at £20 for 1 adult and 1 child (16 and under).

Tickets are available on the day at Roots Hall, priced at £22 for adults; £15 for senior citizens (over 60); £14 for full-time students (ID) and £11 for 16 years and under. Tickets for 17-20 year olds are only available in advance.

All registered disabled supporters are eligible to receive concessionary tickets. Those with mobility allowance in the higher bracket are also entitled to a complimentary ticket for their accompanying carer. There are limited spaces available for wheelchair users, priced at £13 with a free carer.

Live on Sky

The second-leg of Swansea City's Johnstone's Paint Trophy southern area final at MK Dons will be shown live on Sky on Monday, February 25 (7.45pm).

The winner will face either Morecambe or Grimsby in the final at Wembley on Sunday, March 30.

Tickets

Tickets are now on sale for Swansea's fixture at Northampton on Sat, March 15, 3pm. See the official website for details.

Robbie James' Race Night

Saturday 8th March 2008 at 7:30pm in the St. Helen's Lounge, Bryn Road, Swansea.

Tickets are priced at £10 and this will include curry and rice. Please ring Phil Sumbler on 07917 411 804 to book your tickets.

All proceeds go towards the Robbie James Memorial Appeal.

Swans lose to experienced Bristol City

A young Swansea's reserve team went down 5-1 to an experienced Bristol City side in the Pontin's Holiday Combination on Wednesday night at Ashton Gate.

The league leaders were too strong for a Swansea side made up of mostly youth players with former Swans talisman Lee Trundle getting amongst the goals for Bristol.

Darren Byfield grabbed a brace with Cole Skuse, Scott Murray and Trunds adding one apiece.

Swansea's goal came from Oliver Hewitt-Fisher after good work by Joe Allen and Dion Chambers.

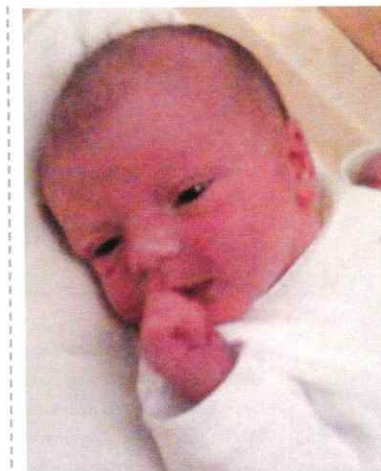
Sad Loss

Swansea City would like to pass on its condolences to the family of super fan Reg Jenkins who passed away recently.

Reg was the original founder of the 'Aberdare Followers of Swansea City' many years ago.

He ran coaches from the Aberdare area to most home matches and some away games.

Our sympathy goes to his wife Beryl and sons Roger and Barry. He will be missed by his family and many friends.



Congratulations Jack

Congratulations to Michael and Donna on the birth of their baby boy, Jack Michael Jones. Michael is a season ticket holder and hopes one day to be watching baby Michael gracing the Liberty Stadium on day soon. All the best.

HATTER'S FACTS

Record Attendance:
30,069 v Blackpool
FA Cup 6th Rnd Rply
March 4th, 1959

**Modern All Seated
Attendance Record:**
10,248 v Wolves
Championship
Sept 10th, 2005

Average Attendance:
2006-2007: 8,580
Championship

**2005-2006: 9,139
Championship**

**2004-2005: 7,940
League One**



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Adam Lee Parvin
19/02/08



Charlie Macklen
28/02/08

Did You Know?

In October 1946 there was no shortage of leadership at Luton Town. Scottish international winger Dally Duncan (37) was player-manager under George Martin, wartime international Frank Soo (32) player-coach while captain and centre-half was Horace Gager (29).

In 1938-39 Hugh Billington had the unusual experience of scoring 42 goals in as many League games. However 28 were scored in the Football League from 27 matches, the remaining 14 having been registered in 15 London Combination fixtures.

SWANS VERSUS LUTON TOWN

At Swansea 24

Results	Total	%
Swans	13	54
Hatters	4	17
Draws	7	29
Goals	Total	APG
Swans	42	1.75
Hatters	26	1.08

Overall 49 matches

Results	Total	%
Swans	17	35
Hatters	21	43
Draws	11	22
Goals	Total	APG
Swans	70	1.43
Hatters	100	2.04

YOUTH DEVELOPMENT

James Burgin (right) provided the opener on 16 minutes and then went passed three players to set-up Town's third goal of a 3-1 victory

Puma Youth Alliance Fixtures South West Under-18s

Sat Aug 18	Cheltenham	W3-0	H
Sat Sep 1	Hereford	W3-0	A
Sat Sep 8	AFC Bournemouth	D1-1	H
Sat Sep 15	Brighton & Hove	L1-4	A
	South Cup 1 (1)		
Sat Sep 22	Barnet	D3-3	H
	South Cup 1 (2)		
Sat Sep 29	Plymouth Argyle	L2-3	H
	South Cup 1 (3)		
Sat Oct 6	QPR	L3-0	A
	South Cup 1 (4)		
Sat Oct 13	AFC Bournemouth	L0-1	H
	South Cup 1 (5)		
Sat Oct 20	Brentford	D2-2	A
	South Cup 1 (6)		
Sat Oct 27	Luton Town	D1-1	H
	South Cup 1 (7)		
Wed Nov 7	Gloucester City	W5-0	H
	FA Cup 1		
Sat Nov 10	Bristol Rovers	W1-0	A
Sat Nov 17	Swindon Town	W3-2	H
Fri Nov 23	Boreham Wood	W5-1	A
	FA Cup 2		
Sat Dec 1	Exeter City	W3-0	H
Sat Dec 15	Port Vale	L0-4	A
	FA Cup 3		
Sat Jan 26	Yeovil Town	D1-1	A
Sat Feb 9	Exeter City	W2-1	A
Sat Feb 16	Yeovil Town	L1-2	H
Sat Feb 23	South Cup 3		
Sat Mar 1	Plymouth Argyle		A
Sat Mar 15	Oxford United		H
Sat Mar 29	Cheltenham		A
Sat Apr 12	Bristol Rovers		H
Sat Apr 19	AFC Bournemouth		A
Sat Apr 26	Plymouth Argyle		H

Two members of Swansea City's youth team have been called-up to represent Wales Under-17's next week.

First-choice goalkeeper David Cornell and midfielder Keiran Howard have been summoned by Brian Flynn for the training camp and friendly against Austria in Antalya, Turkey, on Thursday.

Midfielder Jaz Richards, meanwhile, has been placed on the stand-by list for the squad preparing for the Uefa qualifiers to be staged in Northern Ireland next month.

Swansea City's Youth team are in action on Sunday when they take on The New Saints in the fourth round of the Welsh Cup at Port Talbot's Remax Stadium.

Kick-off is at 2pm and admission is £3 for adults and £2 concessions.

Young Swansea City left-back James Burgin made an immediate impact to his loan spell at Port



Talbot by helping the Steelmen to victory over Caersws last weekend.

The Derby-born defender, 18, played the entire 90 minutes of the Welsh Premiership encounter at the Remax Stadium and played a key role in two of the three goals that secured maximum points for Nicky Tucker's side.

Burgin provided the opener on 16 minutes and then went passed three players to set-up Town's third goal of a 3-1 victory.

It left Tucker singing his praises.

"A very bright aspect of the second period was the excellent performance from James Burgin," he said. "He was making his full debut and he was absolutely fantastic. He won man-of-the-match award from the sponsors, making the goal for Liam McCreesh and then setting up Dylan Blain for his second goal following a blistering run."

Triallist Richard Westcott and



Above

The Swans have had plenty of international recognition this season. Receiving their Welsh Youth caps from Swans and Wales legend Alan Curtis is (l-r): David Cornell, Chris Jones, Kieran Howard, Oliver Hewitt-Fisher, Anthony Finselbach, Jazz Richards and Kyle Graves.

leading striker Matthew Wright scored in each half to extend Swansea's unbeaten run in the Youth Alliance to eight matches with a 2-0 win over Exeter City.

Westcott, a former Plymouth Argyle player, made the vital breakthrough midway into the first half. And Wright then

maintained his goalscoring form, taking his league total to nine goals as Swansea remained in second place, six points behind Plymouth with two games in hand.

But the run came to an end last weekend when they went down 1-0 to Yeovil Town at St Helens.

South West Conference

Team	Pld	W	D	L	For	Agt	GD	Pts
1 Plymouth Argyle	11	9	2	0	37	10	+27	29
2 Swansea City	9	6	2	1	17	5	+12	20
3 AFC Bournemouth	11	5	3	3	21	16	+5	18
4 Swindon Town	10	5	2	3	19	10	+9	17
5 Cheltenham Town	12	5	2	5	19	22	-3	17
6 Bristol Rovers	10	4	2	4	17	16	+1	14
7 Oxford United	10	4	1	5	19	14	+5	13
8 Yeovil Town	11	3	2	6	11	25	-14	11
9 Hereford United	11	2	2	7	8	25	-17	8
10 Exeter City	11	0	2	9	4	29	-25	2



FACT FILE

Jamie Grimes

The first year scholar has a good attitude and technically sound on the ground for a 6ft 3inch centre half. Quick, athletic and good in the air, the rare left footer also reads the game very well.

Place of birth: Nottingham

Age: 16

Position: Centre-half

Previous clubs: Leicester City

Favourite team (apart from Swans): Nottingham Forest

Favourite players:

Michael Dawson, John Terry

Favourite music: Wide range

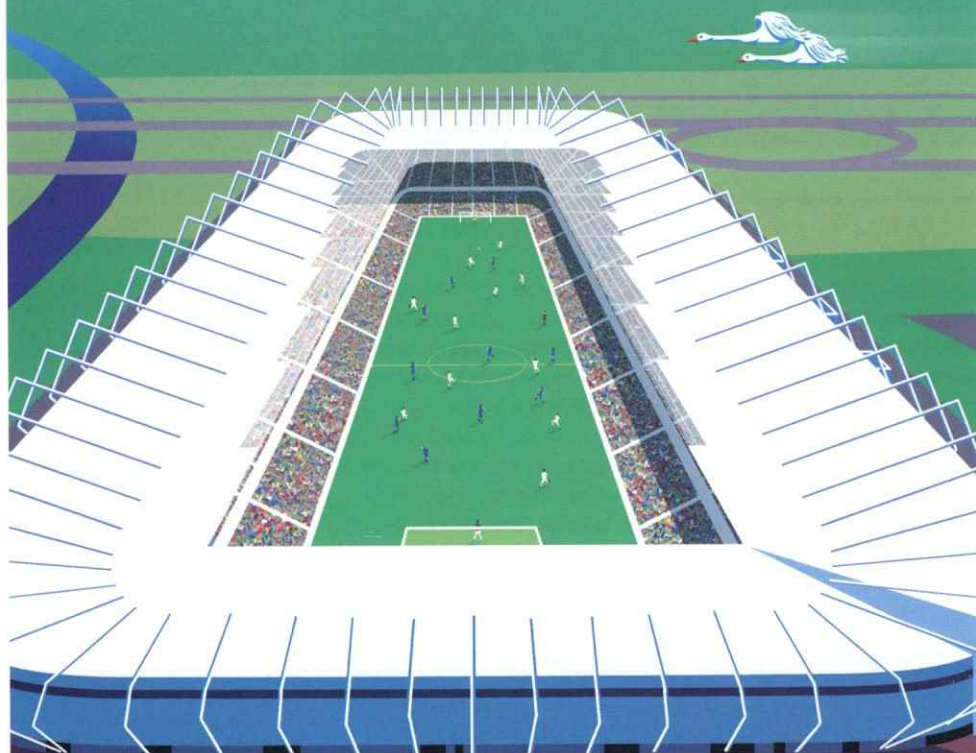
Favourite Food: I'll eat anything

Interests outside sport: Seeing my girlfriend, family & friends

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Above

It was a day to remember for Callum Holden and his family as they got to meet Swans boss Roberto Martinez before a recent game at the Liberty after signing Centre of Excellence forms for the Under-13s.

➔ All our young squads took part in trial matches with our Development Centre recently and it was a fantastic sight to see over 100 players all wearing Swansea City colours.

Our Centre of Development is a feeder centre for the Centre of Excellence; it offers players the opportunity to develop their skills in an attempt to reach CofE level.

With the older squads kicking off in the afternoon, I had the opportunity to watch both the Under 9 and Under 10 squads in the morning. The Under 9 fixture was very pleasing with both teams showing great confidence to express their skills.

Kieran Evans played like an experienced professional receiving the ball and finding a team mate with every pass; while Kane Bourge

showed his skill on the ball by taking people on and delivering a number of excellent crosses as well as contributing a couple of goals. Jordan Jones also had an excellent morning bringing people into play with some delicate touches and also finishing well to score four goals himself.

It was also very pleasing to see Under 8's Joe Walsh and Mathew Blake playing with lots of confidence at this level.

The Under 10 fixture was also a joy to watch with both teams passing the ball out from the back and taking their opportunities to be innovative and creative in the final third.

Edward Smith was very composed at the good quality. Ben Aldred and Aaron Bushrod gave the team great width and

produced a number of quality crosses after bearing their man with good skill.

Tom Dyson also produced a mature performance in the centre of midfield, showing great energy and enthusiasm to win the ball back and then express himself when on the ball.

Strikers Leon Johnson and Nathan Cana showed great potential with Nathan receiving the ball in deep areas then picking out a team mate with a precise pass, while Leon demonstrated his excellent pace to score his goals.

In the Under 11 fixture, striker Cobin Bishop showed superb technique when on the ball and helped himself to a couple of goals. But it was midfielder Kieran Williams who probably scored the goal of the day when he smashed in a 30 yard shot off the cross bar.

Under 11's Jake Watkins, Keston Davies and striker Kyle Copp all played up a year for the Under 12's and all produced very good performances. Ricky Kerr Gay also impressed, producing an Andy Robinson type performance cutting in off his wing to shoot or pick out team mates with telling passes.

Mark Sampson

9 - 16 Coaching Coordinator

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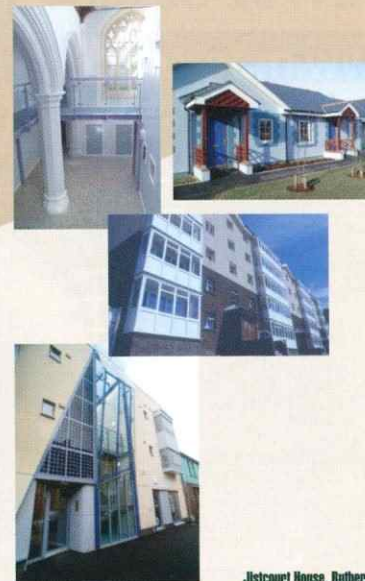
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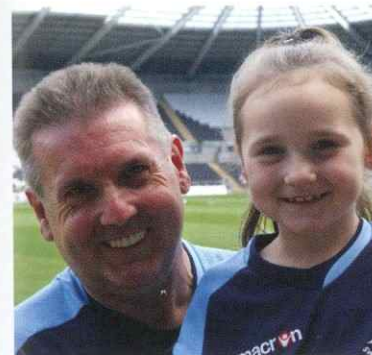
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Fan Focus
Lawrence Molloy



FAN FOCUS

Name: Lawrence Molloy 48

I upset my wife by refusing to travel to London to attend her cousin's wedding as it clashed with a Swans match.

01 How long have you been a Swans fan? 40 years.

02 What was your first Swans game? I think it was Swansea Town v The Posh.

03 Why did you start supporting the Swans? My Dad took me to the Vetch to see the Swans and from that moment on I was hooked.

04 Your most memorable Swans game or moment? Jeremy Charles scoring the third goal against Preston to clinch our promotion to Division 1.

05 Your greatest sacrifice to watch the Swans? I upset my wife by refusing to travel to London to attend her cousin's wedding as it clashed with a Swans match.

06 Your typical pre-match ritual? Arrive early to watch the players warm up and try to obtain a team sheet. Speculate

with fellow supporters the game plan and the outcome of the match.

07 Your favourite past player and why? Robbie James - a true Swansea footballing legend in all four divisions.

08 Your favourite current player and why? Leon Britton - extremely skilful and comes from my wife's neck of the woods - West Ham. Also my 6 year old daughter's (Aleetza) favourite player.



09 If you could guarantee one victory this season, who would it be against and why? Leeds - bring back memories of our opening game at the Vetch in Division 1. We won 5-1.

10 If you could sign one player for the club, who would it be? Paolo Maldini - my wife would never forgive me if I had the opportunity to bring him to Swansea and didn't! On a serious note, he has achieved honours at all levels and remains an ambassador for the sport.

11 Your most disappointing Swans game or moment? All play-off failures and relegations.

12 What do you do during the half-time interval? Watch Kevin Johns penalty shoot out and discuss the first half entertainment.

13 Where do you currently sit at the Liberty? West Stand.

Peter Jones
Guest article

TRUE BAPTISM

Peter Jones was brought up in Baglan, but has lived in London for the last 10 years where he works in the film industry. This is his Swans story...



Peter Jones proudly wearing his Swans shirt

► Swansea. Swansea. I couldn't say it enough times. To a wide-eyed six year old from Baglan, the place has always held some kind of indefinable, indescribable magic. My friends from Sketty, Uplands, Penlan and Townhill can't understand the love affair I have with Swansea. Maybe being from Baglan I was a little detached,

maybe I had to make a bit more effort; and maybe, just maybe it was 1978.

I was schooled at Dumbarton House in the Uplands (don't look, it's not there anymore) and one of my earliest memories is of taking sports lessons at Singleton Park, on Swansea's Mumbles Road.

I remember being assigned

to put a marker down for a game of rounders, and as I did, a big, greasy leather football strayed from the big boys who were practicing nearby.

I gingerly side-footed it back just like I'd learned from Jackie Charlton's Saturday Soccer School, and looked up to see a veritable giant of a man, in a kagoul, say "thanks, kid". It was John Toshack. I was utterly spellbound.

And it was the first day of the rest of my life.

I went home that afternoon and demanded a Swansea City shirt. I didn't ask, I demanded. My brother obliged and I was soon eagerly pulling on this itchy polyester abomination. It didn't half chafe, but it didn't matter. What did matter was the vinyl Bukta motif and the jet-black Swansea City Football Club crest, which was beautiful but had already started to crack as I pulled it over my skinny torso.

I then did what any right-minded nipper would: I ran to the mirror, arms aloft, pretending I was Alan

Waddle. If you can imagine Alan Waddle as a freckly six-year old child. You can't, can you? It's that 15-stone warhorse every time.

It was a full three years before my true baptism - Liverpool in the FA Cup on my ninth birthday. It was all set up. What an occasion. Of course, we lost 4-0, but naturally I was hooked. I remember walking across from the Quadrant with my Dad and my brother; drunk on the noise that was emanating from the fabled North Bank.

There are flats there now but it used to be a barren wasteland where flocks of blokes with moustaches in black and white bar scarves walked, almost religiously to the Vetch Field.

I couldn't get enough of it. The noise was unlike anything I'd ever heard, before or since, and I would go on on to replicate it, quite bizarrely when you think about it, as I'd flick Dzemal Hadziabdic up the left flank with an oversized Subbuteo football.

I had three teams; Swansea City, Brazil and Argentina, who doubled as West Brom if you kind of squinted. Naturally, we lifted the World Cup on a weekly basis. I was unstoppable.

I have myriad tales of those glorious, unabashed days. What a time to be eight years old! I've since gone on, like you, to witness things during the late 1980's that no man should witness at a football match but it's never, ever been boring. Anfield to Athens (er...8-0), Macclesfield to Monaco (er, 8-0. We were nothing if not

Peter Jones
I was hooked



Above

Peter Jones with a young Peter Doherty, the famous singer songwriter with the Libertines and Babyshambles, who dated famously Kate Moss.

consistent). When I comment on how Angel Rangel in his blue away strip bears an uncanny resemblance to Dudley Lewis at Deepdale I know I should get a life. But do you know what? I don't want one outside of this magnificent football club. Wives have come and gone, and all the while the only constant seems to have been a messy backbeat of Take Me to the Vetch Field.

I suppose the point of this self-indulgent nostalgia-fest, if I even need one, is to reinforce the great things we are about to experience, one and all in the Jack Army, by virtue of Roberto and the wider infra-structure of the club which is in rude health.

I'd like the team to read this piece and understand what this club means to me, and you, and realise what they can achieve

if we stay on track and make the Championship.

Yes, we've worshipped Tommy Hutchison, Paul Raynor, Mark Harris, Keith Walker and Roger Freestone (stop me), but it pains me that these legends of Swansea City never achieved something tangible like promotion from this God-forsaken division; as well as they acquitted themselves and entertained us in the process.

Now: Andy Robinson, Leon Britton, Garry Monk - it's up to you whether you want to join the top table with Robbie James and Alan Curtis in the pantheon of Swans greats. I sincerely hope you do.

And so all that remains is for me to say, with the same naïve, wide-eyed fervour that I did 30 years ago as a six-year old boy in that scratchy Bukta shirt...

COME ON YOU SWANS!



Above: Alan Waddle shakes hands with Tosh ahead of signing for the Swans

COMMERCIAL TEAM

Many supporters have bought packages as a birthday present etc, so what could be better than to treat those closest to you to a bit of luxury...



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➡ Good evening and a warm welcome to tonight's game against Luton Town. A special welcome is extended to the directors, staff, players and supporterS of the Hatters who are making their first visit to the Liberty Stadium.

With the end of the season fast approaching, the commercial department is working hard to meet the demands of supporters looking to book hospitality packages. Joe is offering a superb deal for the Millwall game. £35 will give you a two-course meal, match ticket, match programme and car parking.

Since the offer was put in my programme notes for the Walsall game, the response has been excellent, so if you are interested contact Joe as soon as possible on 01792 616604.

The other remaining home games are also selling fast. As a club we pride ourselves on the quality of service we offer supporters and the feedback



Team Andrea Morris & Joe Kelly

we have had from those fans who have taken up on our hospitality packages has been excellent.

Many supporters have bought packages as a birthday present etc, so what could be better than to treat those closest to you to a bit of luxury when watching the Swans?

I mentioned in the last programme notes my pride in the fantastic away support the Swans have had this season. Once again this was evident against Port Vale with over a thousand fans making the trek up to the Potteries.

It was also nice to see plenty of young fans there like Tom Carey and Josh Brisco, who are both regular travelling Jacks. Tom and Josh have followed the Swans for the last six years and attend Ysgol Gyfun Gwyr.

On the commercial side, we are offering huge discounts on Swans items at our outlet in Debenhams, the club

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Pictured Above

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superstore or online. So for birthday presents or to get your Swans gear ready for this year's summer holidays (and appear in next season's Travelling Jacks) pay us a visit.

After the initial rush for our new third kit, we now have a new supply currently on sale in the shop.

After the huge success of the Leeds DVD the club have now released DVD's of games against Doncaster, Crewe, Oldham and Walsall.

The commercial team prides itself on our great rapport we have with Swans fans. We regularly travel to away games and have the opportunity to meet Swans fans like Tom and Josh.

Any questions or suggestions that you have, or if we can make your day out at the Liberty that little more special, please don't hesitate to contact us.

I would also like to extend a warm welcome back to Rob Norman of Jistcourt who is sponsoring tonight's game.

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The 1912 Foundation will be holding its first quarterly draw for £1912 on the evening of March 19 at the Liberty Stadium.

Manager Roberto Martinez will be attending the event and taking questions from members on all matters Swansea City and his outlook on football.

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To join the 1912 Foundation call David Williams on 01792 616 613 or 07920 099 092 or email him on davidwilliams@swanseacityfc.co.uk



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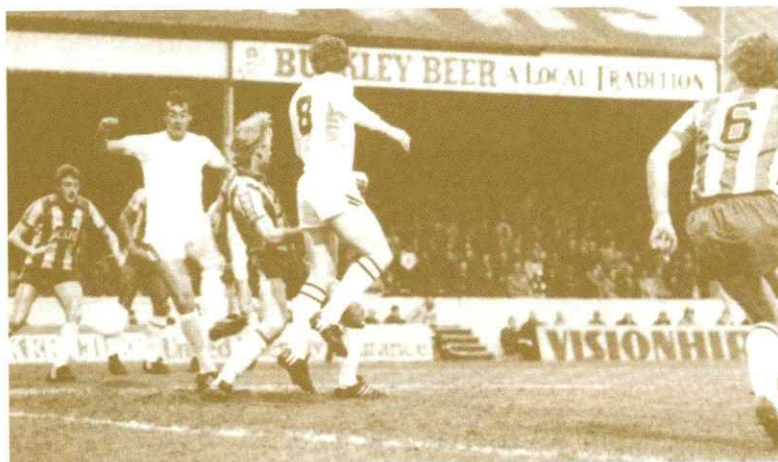
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FA Cup 6th Round
March 6th, 1937

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Attendance Record:
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Premier League
May 15th, 2005

Average Attendance:
2006-2007: 20,472
Championship

2005-2006: 25,404
Premier League

2004-2005: 25,987
Premier League



Right Ray Kennedy and Robbie James on the attack against West Bromwich Albion at the Vetch Field.

Opposite Gary Stanley putting pressure on the Baggies keeper, just inset is Alan Curtis waiting to pounce on the stray ball.

➔ This was a third successive home game for the Swans, who were desperate to return to winning ways after losing the previous two to Ipswich and West Ham. In Albion they were up against a side who had narrowly lost an FA Cup semi-final to Queens Park Rangers only four days previously.

The eager Swans had Albion under intense pressure in the early stages of the game, and it was only sterling work from keeper Mark Grew, with some excellent saves, that kept the visitors in the game. One particular save from Gary Stanley

was out of the top drawer, while Robbie James headed wide from a cross from Alan Curtis when he should certainly have done better. Then, having bombarded the Albion goal in a one sided first half, Swansea fell behind to a "sucker punch" as the interval approached. A run by Nicky Cross and a fortunate ricochet off Cyril Regis gave Steve Mackenzie all the time he wanted to fire past Dai Davies. It was a goal that totally stunned both the home players and supporters, as up until then the Albion had not been in the game, and Davies in the home goal had not been

called into action during a one sided half.

The second half started in the same vein as the previous week's performance against West Ham, with the home side pressing, but being denied an equaliser, with Grew once again saving spectacularly to foil Gary Stanley. This week, however, the Swans were not to be denied, and in the fifty eighth minute a twenty five yard strike from Chris Marustic took a slight deflection to beat keeper Grew and bring the home side level. Leighton James was immediately introduced from the substitutes' bench in place of Gary Stanley, and was instrumental in both the goals that would see the Swans gain maximum points. Ten minutes after his arrival he combined with Hadziabdic, whose cross was met by Ray Kennedy, and although his shot was blocked by Wylie, it fell invitingly for Curtis to hammer home. A deserved victory was sealed in the final

minute, when a Leighton James corner was met with a diving header by Bob Latchford to get the Swans title challenge back on track.

The away match was only the Swans third appearance in English football's top flight on a sunny September afternoon at the Hawthorns. After a close first half in which the hosts took the lead through a Cyril Regis strike, a devastating five minute spell late in the match saw Regis complete his hat trick and West Brom go on to register their first league points of the season with a comprehensive 4-1 victory.

Tonight's opponents Luton, having narrowly missed out on promotion behind the Swans in 1980-81, stormed to the Division Two title this season, finishing eight points ahead of local rivals Watford, and ending the season in style with a fourteen match unbeaten run. **SWAN**



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At Swans 13 matches

Results	Total	%
Swans	8	61
Baggies	1	8
Draws	4	31
Goals	Total	APG
Swans	26	2.00
Baggies	14	1.08

Overall 25 matches

Results	Total	%
Swans	9	36
Baggies	9	36
Draws	7	28
Goals	Total	APG
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**Swansea City 2
Luton Town 0**
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Tue, Sept 28, 2004

Two late goals from substitute Kevin Nugent and Sam Ricketts saw the Swans see off a Luton side top of League One. Nugent struck in the 90th minute and Ricketts in injury time as Luton, who also had Leon Barnett sent off after just 12 minutes, paid the price for fielding a side made up of mostly reserves and fringe players.

Swans: Gueret, Gurney, Monk, Austin, Ricketts, Maylett, O'Leary, Martinez, Robinson, Fitzgerald, Forbes. **Subs:** Murphy, Tate, Britton, Fiskien, Nugent.

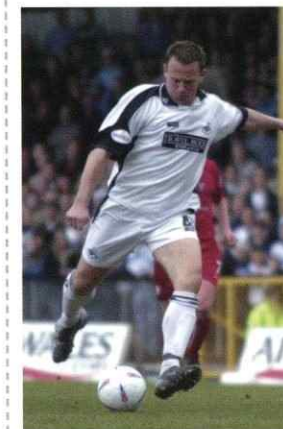
Luton: Seremet, Neilson, Hughes, O'Leary, Showunmi, Mansell, Keane, Bayliss, Holmes, Andrew, Barnett. **Subs:** Perrett, Leary, Hillier, Brill, Sinclair.

Attendance: 3,559

PS: Striker Scott Fitzgerald made his Swans debut after completing a loan move from Watford.

Swans 2 Luton Town 0
Vetch Field, Tue Sept 28, 2004

LAST HOME MEETING



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12-0 v Bristol Rovers
Division 3 (S)
April 13, 1936

Record Defeat:
0-9 v Small Heath
Division 2
November 12, 1898

Highest League Scorer in Season:
Joe Payne, 55,
Div 3 (S), 1936-37

Most capped player:
Mal Donaghy, 58 (91),
Northern Ireland

Record Transfer Fee Received:
£3m from WBA
for Curtis Davies,
August 2005

Record Transfer Fee Paid: £850,000
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Founded:
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A-Z PAST PLAYERS

Dave Putnam

Experienced winger Dave Putnam briefly played for Swansea City at the start of the 1997-98 campaign. He developed with Kirby Muxloe and Leicester United before moving to Leicester City for £8,000 in February 1989. Sold to Lincoln City for £40,000 in January 1990, he was Player of the Year in 1992-93. He joined Gillingham for £50,000 in October 1995 and featured in their 1995-96 promotion success, then was loaned to Yeovil before joining Swansea in August 1997. Making four League appearances, he moved to Gresley the following month, then played for Barry, Gresley again, King's Lynn, Barwell and Coalville.

Ante Rajkovic

Yugoslav international sweeper Ante Rajkovic starred as Swansea City finished sixth in the top-flight in 1981-82. He played for Sarajevo in his native country before moving to the Vetch Field for £100,000 in February 1981. Linking up with fellow Yugoslav international Dzemal Hadziabdic at Swansea, he made his League debut in the following month's 0-0 draw at home to Bristol City but injuries kept him out of the promotion run-in. He featured in two Welsh Cup triumphs and scored in the record 12-0 ECWC win over Sliema Wanderers, netting twice in 80 League games before returning to Yugoslavia in September 1984.

Colin Randell

Former Welsh U-23 midfielder Colin Randell was a John Bond signing for Swansea City. Initially with Coventry City, he reunited with Tony Waiters at Plymouth Argyle in September 1973, helping reach the League Cup semi-finals in 1973-74 and win promotion in 1974-75. He followed Bobby Saxton to Exeter City in September 1977, back to Plymouth in July 1979 and to Blackburn Rovers in August 1982. Joining Swansea in July 1985, he scored once in 22 League games prior to joining Preston in September 1986, then Barry Town and was Briton Ferry's player-boss. He later became head of PE with South Wales Police.

Frank Rawcliffe

Centre-forward Frank Rawcliffe was Swansea's leading marksman in 1947-48. Initially with Tranmere Rovers, he had spells with Wolves, Colchester United, Notts County and guested for several clubs during the Second World War before joining Newport County in June 1946. He moved to the Vetch Field for £3,500 in June 1947 and netted 17 goals in 25 Third Division (South) games for Swansea prior to joining Aldershot in July 1948 after the arrival of Stan Richards. Later playing for Italian side Alessandria, South Liverpool and Alessandria again, he resided in his native Blackburn until his death in December 1986.

Phil Raybould

Former Welsh Amateur international midfielder Phil Raybould was a member of Billy Lucas' squad at the Vetch Field. He captained the Welsh Schoolboy side against Scotland in May 1963 and developed with Cardiff Corries, Bridgend Town, Barry Town and Bridgend again before joining Swansea in July 1967. A student at Swansea University, he made his League debut in the 1-0 victory at home to Aldershot in April 1968. He overcame a knee injury to score four goals in 11 Fourth Division games prior to joining Newport County in September 1969, then played for Barry and Bridgend again before emigrating to Australia.

Paul Raynor

Versatile midfielder Paul Raynor scored in Swansea City's 1987-88 Fourth Division play-off final success. Signing professional for Nottingham Forest in April 1984, he was loaned to Bristol Rovers and joined Huddersfield Town for £30,000 in August 1985. He moved to the Vetch



Ante Rajkovic and Max Thompson play Frank Stapleton offside in the Manchester United fixture at the Vetch Field...

Frank Stapleton went on to move to Man United in 1981 for £900,000 (a fee set by tribunal after the two clubs could not agree). He would help United win the 1983 and 1985 FA Cups. He left United in 1987, after scoring 78 goals for the club in 365 matches.

Field in March 1987 and scored in Swansea's 1989 and 1991 Welsh Cup final triumphs, netting 26 goals in 191 League games before joining Cambridge United in March 1992. Following John Beck to Preston in July 1993, he played for Cambridge again, Guang Deong, Leyton Orient, Stevenage and Kettering, then coached King's Lynn and Boston.

Gil Reece

Ex-Welsh international winger Gil Reece briefly played for Swansea City during the 1976-77 campaign. Initially with Ton Pentre, he had spells with Cardiff City and Pembroke Borough before joining Newport County in June 1963. He moved to Sheffield United in April 1965, starring as they won promotion in 1970-71. Rejoining Cardiff in an exchange deal in September 1972, he starred in three Welsh Cup final successes and their

1975-76 promotion triumph. He joined Swansea in July 1976, making just two substitute League appearances, then played for Athlone and Barry. Later a hotelier in Cardiff, he died in December 2003.

Billy Reed

Former Welsh international winger Billy Reed appeared for Swansea during the 1957-58 season. Starting with Rhondda Transport, he joined Cardiff City in July 1947 and moved to Brighton in August 1948. He was top scorer in 1951-52, joining Ipswich Town in July 1953. Starring as they won the Third Division (South) title in 1953-54 and 1956-57, he moved to Swansea for £3,000 in February 1958 and made eight League appearances. Later with Worcester City, Abergavenny, Cairau, Milford Haven and Ferndale, he worked for Ashland (UK) Chemicals. He died in January 2003.

Billy Rees

Locally born, he progressed through the ranks at the Vetch Field and helped win the West Wales Senior Cup before turning professional in October 1954. He was given his League debut in the following month's 2-1 victory at home to Rotherham but then had to wait until February 1958 for his next League appearance. Playing six Second Division games for the Swans, he moved to Peterborough United in July 1958, then had spells with Crystal Palace, Hastings United, Ashford, Merthyr and Haverfordwest.



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After 16 Fixtures		After 15 Fixtures		After 16 Fixtures	
Nottingham Forest	17220	Oldham Athletic	1645	Nottingham Forest	938
Doncaster Rovers	12933	Walsall FC	1432	Doncaster Rovers	272
Carlisle United	11354	Cheltenham Town	1130	Carlisle United	190
Brighton & Hove Albion	11058	Leeds United	2500	Brighton & Hove Albion	282
Swindon Town	10135	Leyton Orient	687	Swindon Town	523
Gillingham	13452	AFC Bournemouth	1386	Gillingham	112
Huddersfield Town	12184	Yeovil Town	1427	Huddersfield Town	130
Hartlepool United	11421	Millwall	348	Hartlepool United	53
Northampton Town	10957	Tranmere Rovers	683	Northampton Town	116
Southend United	12629	Swindon town	2765	Southend United	402
Cheltenham Town	14049	Luton Town	756	Cheltenham Town	267
Leeds United	19010	Doncaster Rovers	472	Leeds United	2456
Port Vale	12310	Nottingham Forest	1159	Port Vale	139
Crewe Alexandra	11200	Crewe Alexandra	1100	Crewe Alexandra	53
Oldham Athletic	12458	Port Vale	1404	Oldham Athletic	151
Walsall FC	13020			Walsall FC	235
Total	205,390	Total	18,894	Total	6,084
Average	12,837	Average	1260	Average	395

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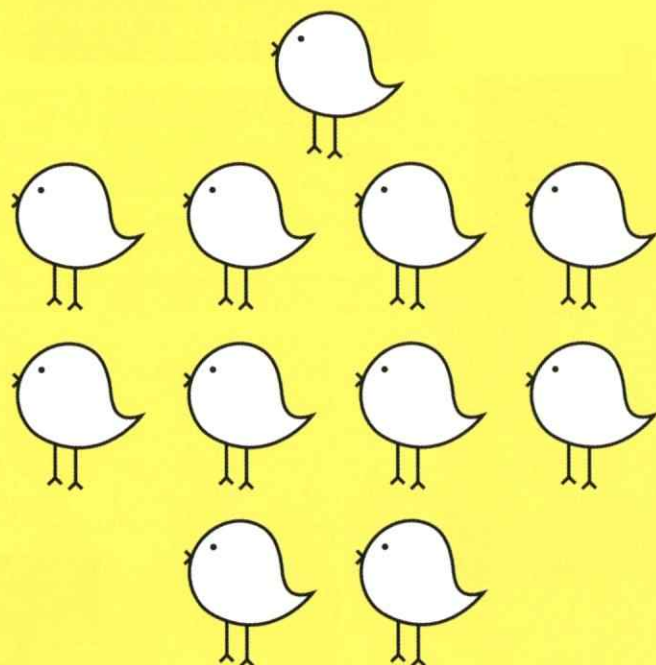
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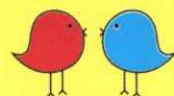
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► Football, they say, is an international language, but sometimes the barriers are harder to break down.

Just ask Inaki Bergara.

Swansea City's goalkeeping coach arrived in South Wales last September without being able to speak a word of English, but armed with a wealth of knowledge.

Frustrating it may have been for the popular coach, but he is now putting as much effort into his English lessons as he is on the training pitch. Few had even heard of the Spaniard when his arrival was announced, but he stepped into the Liberty Stadium with an impressive CV.

Having played in the top flight at Real Sociedad under a certain John Toshack, the 45-year-old had also taken in spells at Alaves, Murcia and Logrones.

With a broken leg and numerous operations cutting short his career at the age of 33, Bergara then stepped into the Vicente Calderón to work alongside former Spanish coach Javier Clemente at Atletico

Madrid. With the experience and knowledge from working for Toshack and alongside Clemente in Spain, the switch to Swansea has worked smoothly enough — aside from the language barrier.

"I came here with no knowledge of English at all," said Bergara, via the translation of Rangel and Bauza. "I started saying hello to people, but that was all. That was very difficult at first, but now I am having regular English lessons and I am improving.

"I have the support of the Spanish players and Roberto, but I always try my best to work it out myself.

"I have to communicate a lot of things with Dorus de Vries and David Knight and it has been hard, but I am getting better.

Having experienced the facilities at Sociedad and Madrid, that is some compliment. And he believes that under Martinez the club could become a Premiership outfit within the next five years. First they must get out of League One — a task looking increasingly achievable as the games tick by.

And despite spending 14 years as a player in Spain, as well as cutting his teeth as a coach there, he didn't need much persuading as he sought a new challenge.

"It was really unexpected," he said. "I was at a point where I was looking for a new challenge, but I didn't expect this. Two or three calls were made before I made my decision.

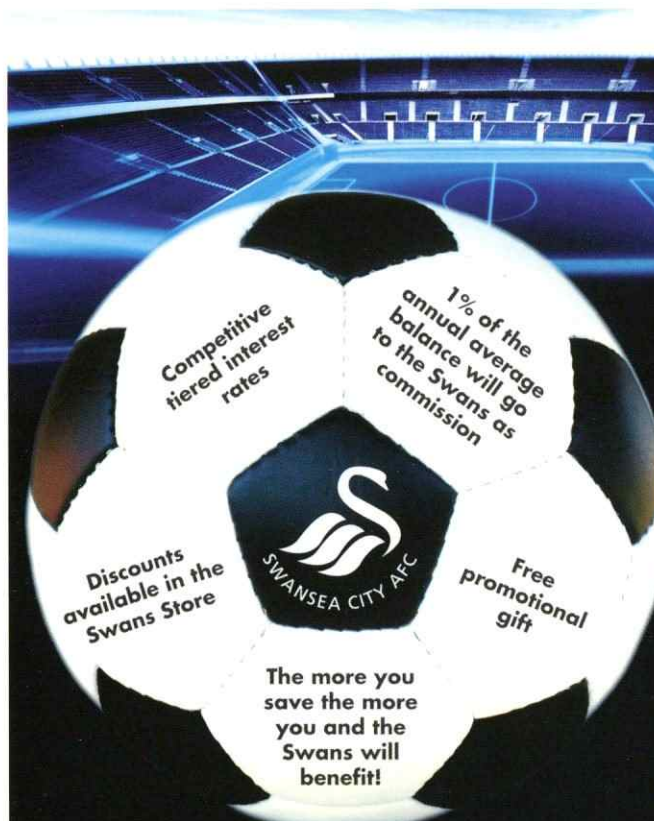
"I had a good feeling about coming here — when I look back at it I realise it was one of the best decisions in my career.

"I didn't know Roberto, but he has been excellent here. The way he deals with situations and players is very good. The players react to that well and I think that shows in the results.

"I didn't really know what to expect here. I had played against British teams before but this was a new operation.

"Swansea are a professional team and have all the right things in place.

"I think within five or six years we could be living the Premier League dream."



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Tawel oedd yr awyrgylch, ond roedd digon o arwyddion cadarnhaoll i'r cefnogwyr weld 07-08 fel Y Flwyddyn

With Hash Piperdy

➔ Hash Piperdy yw Pennaeth Chwaraeon Afan FM – Gorsaf Gerddoriaeth Cenhedlaeth Newydd Castell-nedd Port Talbot

Y gêm gyntaf i mi erioed ei gweld fel newyddiadurwr oedd Abertawe 2, Southend 2 yn 2006. Gêm ddigon di-nod, oni bai eich bod yn dod o Essex. Dyna oedd parti dyrchafiad ddiwedd tymor Southend. O flaen 15,000 o gefnogwyr y tim cartref, dathlodd y tim oddi cartref ei ddyrchafiad i'r Bencampwriaeth, ond fis yn ddiweddarach, colli ar giciau cosb oedd diwedd tymor Abertawe yn y pen draw, gan wyllo Barnsley yn dathlu yng Nghaerdydd.

Ar ddiwrnod olaf y tymor diwethaf, yr oedd yn bosib i'r Elyrch gyrraedd y gemau ail gyfle o hyd. Blackpool roddodd derfyn ar y gobeithion y tro hwn, gan ennill 6-3 fel rhan o gyfres o 10 buddugoliaeth olynol a fyddai'n golygu ei bod hwy'n esgyn i'r ail haen, gydag Abertawe ond yn gam arall ar eu taith i ddyrchafiad. Tawel oedd yr awyrgylch, ond

roedd digon o arwyddion cadarnhaol i'r cefnogwyr weld 07-08 fel Y Flwyddyn.

Roeddent yn gywir. Mae'r awyrgylch yn amlwg o wahanol yn y Liberty. Mae ambell gefnogwr wedi dechrau trefnu eu dathliadau dyrchafiad yn barod wrth i'r Elyrch agor bwlch sylweddol rhyngddynt a gweddi y timau ar frig yr Adran gan sgorio'r nifer mwyaf o goliau ar hyd y daith – a pham lai? Mae Abertawe wedi gweld gormod o





dimau yn dod atom i ddathlu eu dyrchafiad, felly eleni, os bydd (pan fydd?) yn digwydd, dylai fod y parti mwyaf yn Ne Cymru ers amser maith – gyda'r rhai a oedd yn gwylio'r gemau yn erbyn Southend, Barnsley a Blackpool yn arwain y ffordd.

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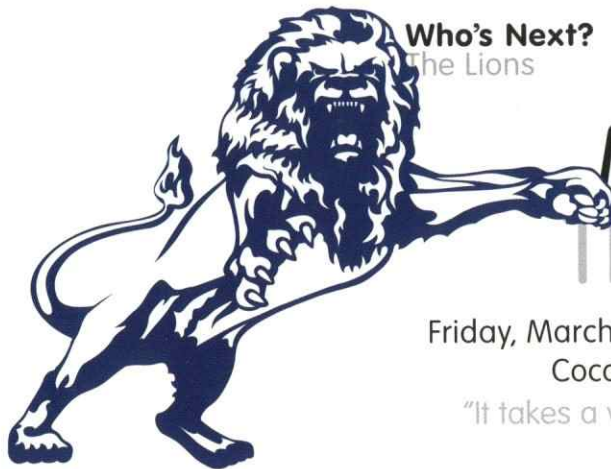
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Saturday 11	Oldham Athletic	3.00	Away	1-2	L	7397	1645	0	20
Tuesday 14	Walsall FC (Carling Cup)	7.45	Home	2-0	W	6943	224	-	-
Saturday 18	Nottingham Forest	3.00	Home	0-0	D	17220	938	1	19
Saturday 25	Walsall FC	3.00	Away	3-1	W	5673	1432	4	10
Tuesday 28	Reading FC (Carling Cup)	7.45	Home	0-1	L	12027	799	-	-
September									
Saturday 1	Doncaster Rovers	3.00	Home	1-2	L	12933	272	4	12
Tuesday 4	Millwall (UPT Rd 1)	7.00	Home	3-2	W	5721	43	-	-
Friday 14	Carlisle United	7.45	Home	2-1	W	11354	190	7	10
Tuesday 18	Cheltenham Town	7.45	Away	2-1	W	4323	1130	10	4
Saturday 22	Leeds United	3.00	Away	0-2	L	29467	2500	10	8
Saturday 29	Brighton & Hove	1.30	Home	0-0	D	11058	282	11	10
October									
Tuesday 2	Swindon Town	7.45	Home	2-1	W	10135	523	14	6
Saturday 6	Leyton Orient	3.00	Away	5-0	W	5586	687	17	4
Tuesday 9	Wycombe (UPT Rd 2)	7.00	Home	2-0	W	5922	36	-	-
Sun 14	AFC Bournemouth	2.00	Away	4-1	W	5843	1386	20	1
Saturday 27	Yeovil Town	3.00	Away	2-1	W	6207	1427	23	2
November									
Friday 2	Gillingham	7.45	Home	1-1	D	13452	112	24	1
Tuesday 6	Millwall	7.45	Away	2-2	D	6750	348	25	4
Saturday 10	Billically Tn (FA Cup 1)	1.00	Away	2-1	W	2334	360	-	-
Tuesday 13	Yeovil Town (UPT QF)	7.00	Home	1-0	W	6644	103	-	-
Friday 16	Huddersfield Town	7.45	Home	0-1	L	12184	130	25	4
Saturday 24	Tranmere Rovers	3.00	Away	1-0	W	6149	683	28	4
Tuesday 27	Hartlepool United	7.45	Home	1-0	W	11421	53	31	1
Friday 30	Horsham (FA Cup 2)	7.45	Away	1-1	D	2731	303	-	-
December									
Tuesday 4	Northampton Town	7.45	Home	3-0	W	10957	116	34	1
Monday 10	Horsham (FA Cup 2 R)	7.45	Home	6-2	W	5911	397	-	-
Saturday 15	Southend United	3.00	Home	3-0	W	12629	402	37	1
Wednesday 19	Newport (FAW PC)	7.30	Away	0-1	L	861	167	-	-
Wednesday 26	Cheltenham Town	2.00	Home	4-1	W	14049	267	40	1
Saturday 29	Leeds United	3.00	Home	3-2	W	19010	2456	43	1
January									
Tuesday 1	Swindon Town	1.00	Away	1-1	D	9426	2765	44	1
Saturday 5	Havant & W (FA Cup 3)	3.00	Home	1-1	D	8761	364	-	-
Tuesday 8	Brighton & Hove (UPT QF)	7.00	Home	1-0	W	6066	110	-	-
Saturday 12	Luton Town	3.00	Away	3-1	W	6756	756	47	1
Wednesday 16	Havant & W (FA Cup 3 R)	7.45	Away	2-4	L	4400	500	-	-
Saturday 19	Port Vale	3.00	Home	2-0	W	12310	139	50	1
Tuesday 22	Crewe Alexandra	7.45	Home	2-1	W	11200	53	53	1
Friday 25	Doncaster Rovers	7.45	Away	4-0	W	10358	472	56	1
Tuesday 29	Nottingham Forest	7.45	Away	0-0	D	21065	1159	57	1
February									
Saturday 2	Oldham Athletic	2.00	Home	2-1	W	12458	151	60	1
Saturday 9	Crewe Alexandra	3.00	Away	2-2	D	4955	1100	61	1
Tuesday 12	Walsall FC	7.45	Home	1-0	W	13020	235	64	1
Saturday 16	Port Vale	3.00	Away	2-0	W	4347	1404	67	1
Tuesday 19	MK Dons (UPT AF 1-L)	7.00	Home	0-1	L	10125	588	-	-
Friday 22	Luton Town	7.45	Home						
Monday 25	MK Dons (UPT AF 2-L)	7.45	Away						
March									
Saturday 1	Huddersfield Town	3.00	Away						
Friday 7	Millwall	7.45	Home						
Tuesday 11	Tranmere Rovers	7.45	Home						
Saturday 15	Northampton Town	3.00	Away						
Tuesday 18	Bristol Rovers	7.45	Away						
Friday 21	Southend United	1.00	Away						
East Monday 24	Bristol Rovers	5.45	Home						
Saturday 29	Hartlepool United	3.00	Away						
April									
Saturday 5	AFC Bournemouth	3.00	Home						
Tuesday 8	Carlisle United	7.45	Away						
Saturday 12	Gillingham	3.00	Away						
Saturday 19	Yeovil Town	3.00	Home						
Saturday 26	Leyton Orient	3.00	Home						
May									
Saturday 3	Brighton & Hove	3.00	Away						

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League One table

Team	Pld	W	D	L	F	A	GD	Pts
1 Swansea City	31	20	7	4	59	25	34	67
2 Doncaster Rovers	31	16	8	7	48	28	20	56
3 Nottingham Forest	31	14	11	6	46	23	23	53
4 Carlisle United	30	15	7	8	44	31	13	52
5 Tranmere Rovers	33	14	9	10	38	30	8	51
6 Walsall FC	32	12	13	7	38	27	11	49
7 Leyton Orient	33	13	10	10	39	43	-4	49
8 Southend United	32	14	5	13	49	46	3	47
9 Leeds United	32	18	7	7	51	28	23	46
10 Oldham Athletic	31	11	10	10	34	28	6	43
11 Swindon Town	31	11	10	10	40	35	5	43
12 Northampton Town	33	11	10	12	41	42	-1	43
13 Huddersfield Town	31	13	4	14	32	44	-12	43
14 Brighton and HA	30	11	9	10	38	33	5	42
15 Yeovil Town	33	11	8	14	29	39	-10	41
16 Hartlepool United	32	11	7	14	48	47	1	40
17 Bristol Rovers	29	10	10	9	33	32	1	40
18 Cheltenham Town	33	9	8	16	26	45	-19	



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➔ Former Swansea City boss Kenny Jackett will make his return to the Liberty Stadium looking to upset the form book and move his side a step closer to escaping the drop from League One. Jackett, who left the Swans last season for Millwall via a spell as reserve team manager at Manchester City, is still confident his team can avoid relegation despite being only one point clear of the drop zone.

"There is some promise and spirit here," he said. "The results and wins will come, but we have to keep believing in ourselves."

"We know it's going to be a tough ask and we are under no illusions as a club at what we have to do."

"I have always felt we have good players capable of doing well and getting the club out of the situation we are in."

"The ability is there and the players are more than capable of moving the club upwards."

Having made seven signings during the transfer window, including former Swans winger

Adrian Forbes, Jackett has been working hard to stabilise his squad.

"I now want to settle the dressing room down and work to improve this group of players," added Jackett.

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But Jackett is experienced enough to realise that time is against him - as his skipper Paul Robinson pointed out.

"We have to make sure we give everything we've got in every



game - treat it like 14 cup finals," said Robinson. "We have to go all out and put more wins on the board."

"Professionals should approach every game the same way, but perhaps if we can get in with

no fear and feeling we have nothing to lose, results will come."

"We need the support of the fans. If they can get us going, we will try our best and hopefully give them something to cheer about."

"I hope during the 90 minutes they will back us as much as they can then, when the final whistle goes, if they need to, that is the time to air their grievances."

While Robinson is the first name on Jackett's teamsheet, the faces around him have changed rapidly as the Lions have used 38 players already this season.

"Line-ups have changed because of injuries but because of our performances too," said Robinson. "We know very well that if we aren't getting results, managers change things."

"The boss is not afraid to make the right decisions and back his own judgement - and fair play to him for that."

"He has the confidence in his own choices that we need at this stage. It comes across loud and clear to us."

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