

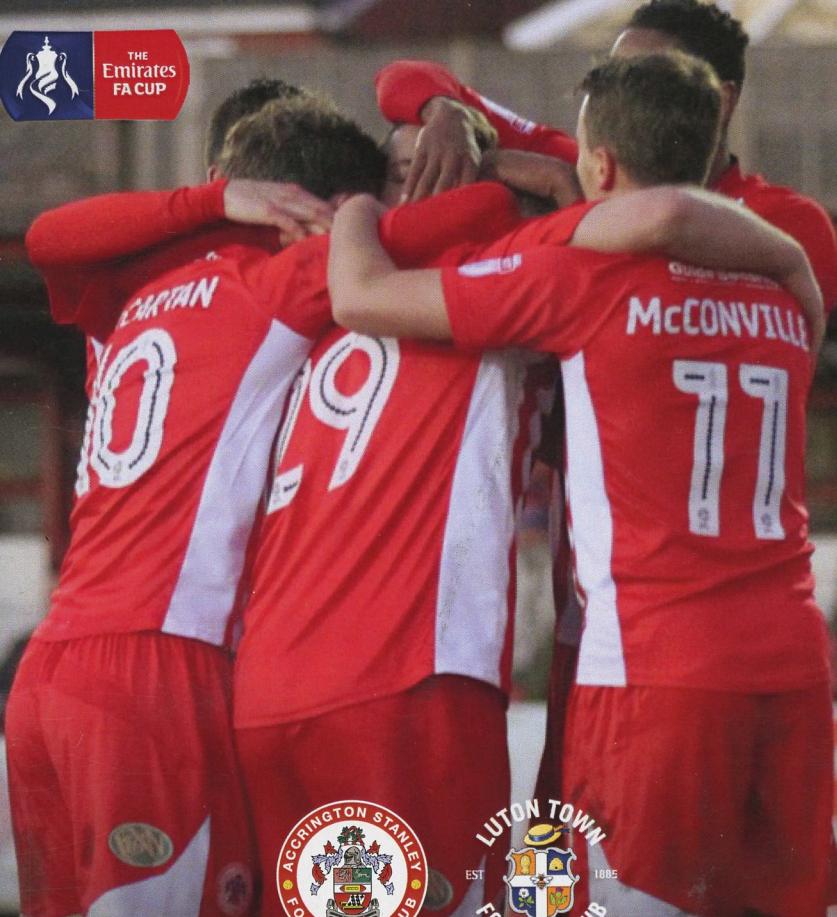
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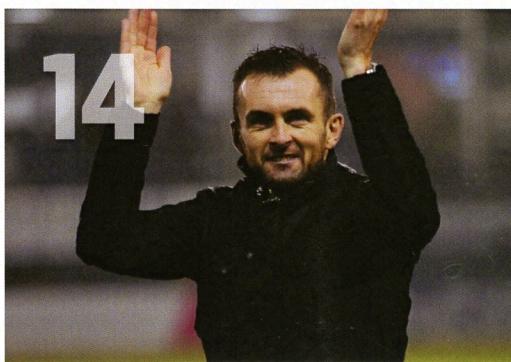
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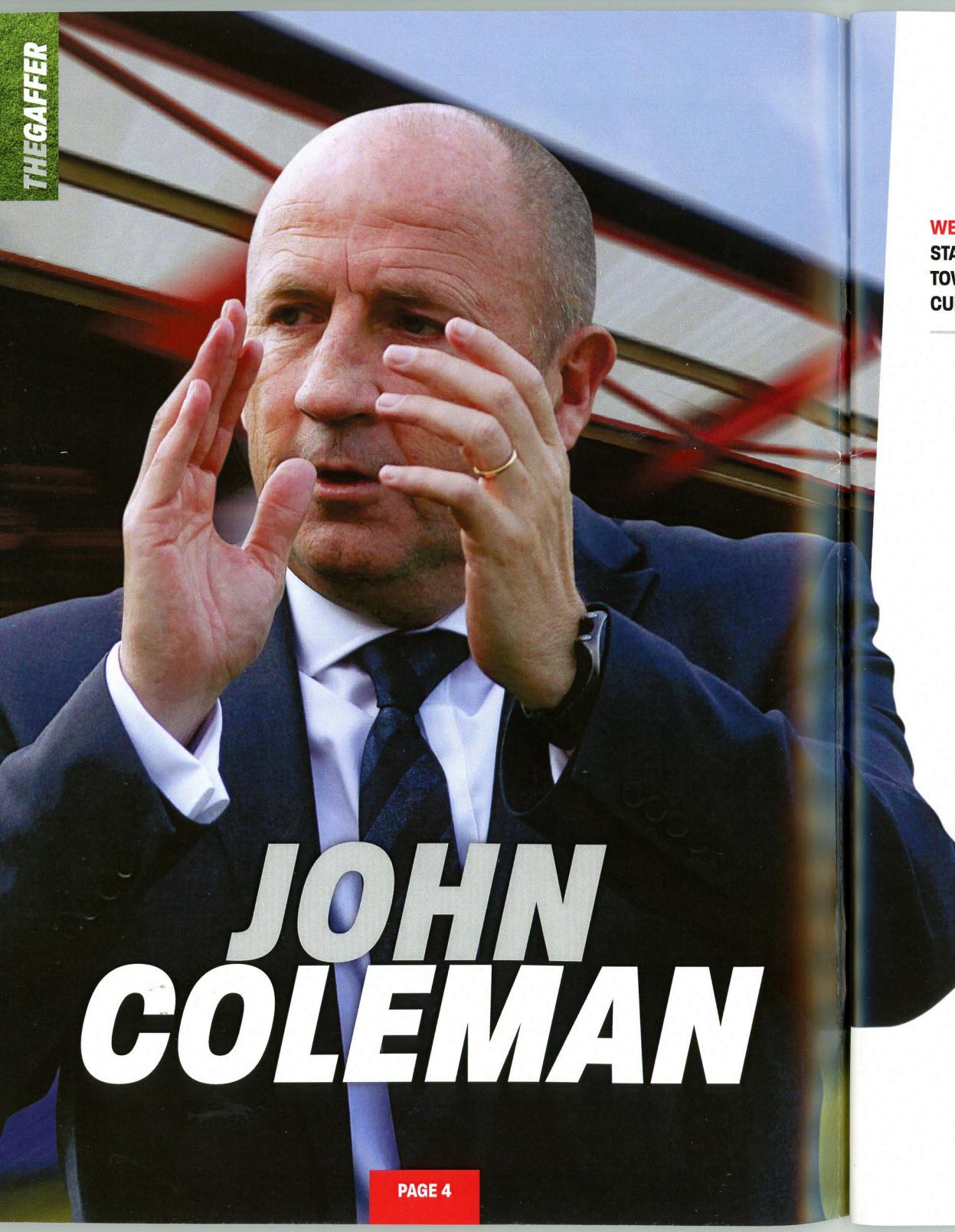
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# JOHN COLEMAN

**WELCOME TO NATHAN JONES, THE PLAYERS, STAFF, DIRECTORS AND FANS OF LUTON TOWN FOR THIS AFTERNOON'S EMIRATES FA CUP THIRD ROUND CLASH.**

I love the FA Cup. I think in this day and age, the general public have a different take on the FA Cup and it doesn't have the glamour it had years ago because of the Champions League and the explosion of the Premier League.

For me, though, it's a special competition. I can name the winners of the FA Cup from 1963 through to 1989 but I would be struggling to tell you who won it in the past five years.

When I was a youngster, it was a rare exposure to live football and you watched the build-up from 9am right through until five, or later if there was extra-time.

It was a special day, teams always played their strongest teams, but now you can watch up to four games a day so it has taken the edge off it for some.

But for a club like ours, and to an extent Luton as well, it could do a lot for us. I remember our FA Cup games against Huddersfield, Bournemouth and Colchester where there was a superb atmosphere at home and it changed Accrington's destiny as the influx of money enabled us to go full-time

and return to the Football League.

It's a chance to do it again and take the club to the next stage. Getting through this round and getting a plum fourth round tie could make a huge difference to Accrington Stanley.

Luton are a good side, they are above us in the league which says they have been more consistent than us, but our performances have been good even though we haven't been getting the results.

We played them at their place earlier this season and, I know it's about scoring goals and they scored the decisive one, but we controlled the game for 80 minutes and we have got to believe we can beat them.

January is a big time for clubs – we welcome Hull loan pair Jonathan Edwards and Harvey Rodgers to Accrington and I hope to bring in one or two more. Decisions will be made over the next few days on those players whose loans are up with us and those on short-term deals.

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# DAVID BURGESS

MANAGING DIRECTOR, ACCRINGTON STANLEY FC



**WELCOME** to the officials, players and supporters of Luton Town to The Wham Stadium for today's Emirates FA Cup 3rd Round Tie. I hope you have an enjoyable afternoon and a safe journey back 'down south'!

Growing up as a youngster, the third round of The FA Cup on the first Saturday of the New Year has always been the day for giant killers, upsets and frosty pitches.

A trio of 2v1 wins for underdogs spring to mind; Shrewsbury 2v1 Everton (2003), Wrexham 2v1 Arsenal (1992) and possibly the most famous of them all, Hereford United 2v1 Newcastle United (1972), where Ronnie

Radford will forever be etched in FA Cup history with the equalising long range strike to take the game into extra-time where Ricky George netted the winner!

While Stanley v Luton Town throws together two League Two sides, the magic of the cup still rings true and the opportunity to draw one of the 'big guns' in Round 4 is the reward for today's victors.

A major run in The FA Cup isn't something that Stanley are renowned for, but who knows, today could be the day.

As many have stated in the past, league form goes out of the window and it's a win or lose (except if it a draw and a replay) situation for both teams

- let's hope it is a classic and the better team on the day take the spoils.

Away from the romance of the cup, the lads have done everything they can to turn around our league form and over the Christmas period, four points were gained.

I did say before the Crewe game that for every point they took over the three games I would abstain from alcohol for 14 days in the New Year. So its 56 days 'sober' for me from 1st January - Roll on March!

While our league position isn't where we wanted to be at this stage of the season, John, Jimmy and the lads are working hard both on and off the field of play to improve our position and I am confident that we will be moving up the league ladder in the coming weeks.

David Burgess



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## CLUB NEWS

### JANUARY DEALS UP

**JOHN** Coleman has said he will make decisions on loan players and the players whose contracts finish in January over the next few days.

Blackburn loan winger John O'Sullivan and Bristol City defender Zak Vyner see both their initial six month deals finish on Sunday.

Frontmen Gary Taylor-Fletcher and Chris Eagles both signed deals until January.

"I will be sitting down and talking to all the players over the next few days," said Coleman. "We obviously know a lot about Johnno and Zak has played a lot of football in a short space of time and he will get better.

"He has shown he has the tools to have a very good career in football. We will be talking both to the players and their parents clubs and see where that takes us.

"On the other players, we have got to do what is best for the club and formulate the best squad to take us to the end of season and beyond."

### THANK YOU

A big thank you to our mascots at the Hartlepool match on Monday, Lewis Barnes and Nathan Fishwick. We hope that the boys enjoyed their day.



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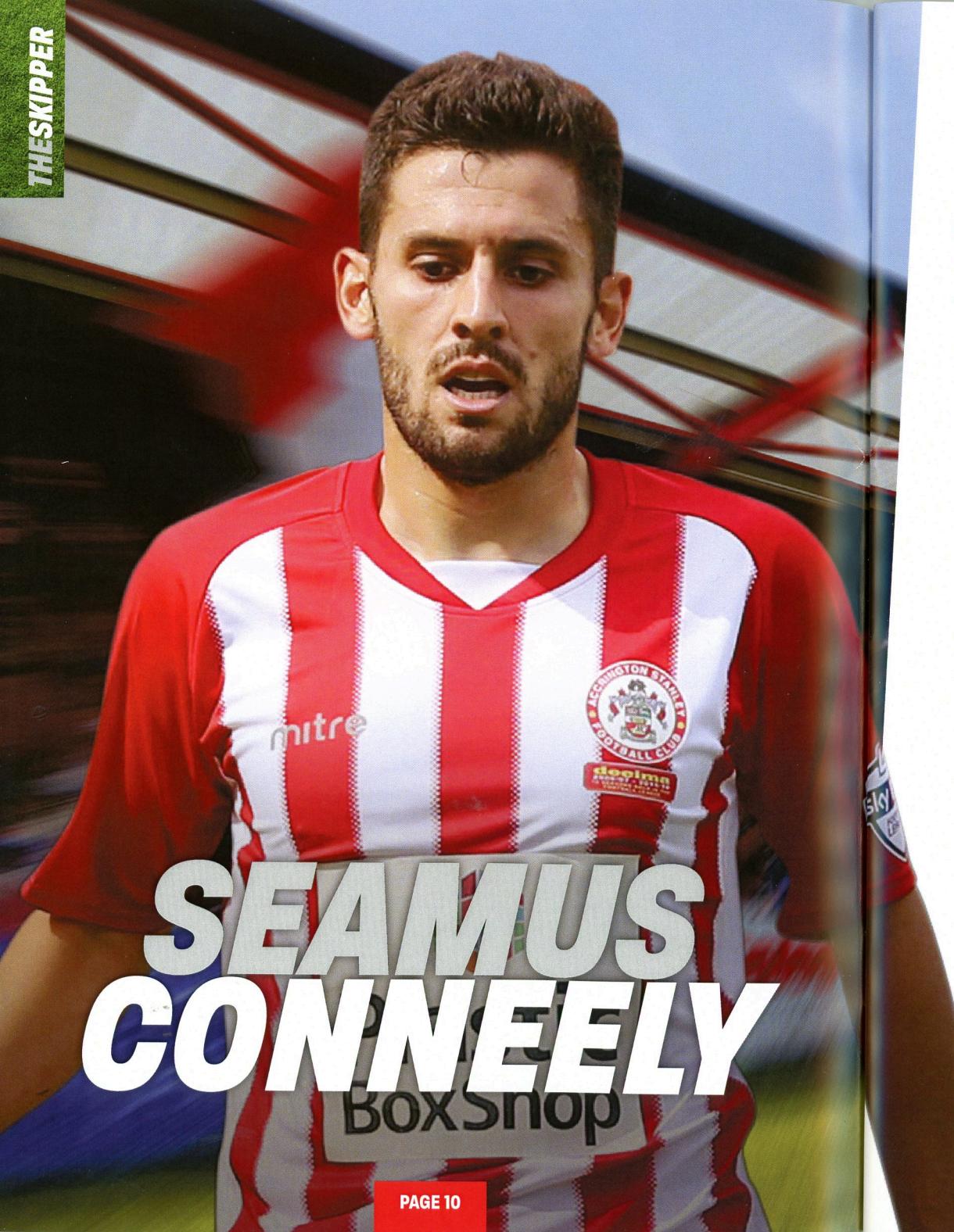
**TICKETS** are available at Accrington Stanley for our clash at promotion-chasing Doncaster on February 25th, kick off 3pm.

The prices are: Adults £20, Senior (60+) £16; Young person (17-20) £12; Junior (12-16) £8; 11 years and Under: £5.

Stanley beat Doncaster 3-2 on the opening day of the 2016/17 season.

### HAPPY BIRTHDAY

**SPECIAL** mention to Michael Garner who is here today celebrating his 69th birthday in hospitality with Philip Grunshaw. From staff, supporters, players and everyone at the Wham Stadium, we hope you enjoy your special day with us.



# SEAMUS CONNEELY

## GOOD TO EVERYONE FROM LUTON TOWN FOR TODAY'S EMIRATES FA CUP THIRD ROUND CLASH.

It's good to have a break from our league campaign and it's an exciting game today with a great chance to draw a big team in the next round.

We have put in two good performances in the FA Cup so far beating Bradford City and Woking to get into the third round and, as it is against a team in our league, it means there will be a League Two team in the hat for round four and I can see no reason why it can't be us.

We played Luton in November in the league and, while they won 1-0, it was a close game and there wasn't a lot in it.

We have the advantage that this is at home and, unlike some league games, it won't be a cagey affair as both teams will go for it. It should be a good open game and entertaining for the fans.

Looking back at the festive period, four points out of the nine available is a bit disappointing and we felt like we should have had more and deserved better.

At Grimsby we played quite well but just couldn't take our chances and it was a huge relief to win at Crewe. I know our goal had an

element of luck about it but Billy Kee has got his head to a cross and then we have seen the game out.

We hadn't won in the league since mid-October so it was a real monkey off our backs to get three points. If they had have come back and got a point it would have been devastating for us so this was a good way to end 2016.

We felt we should have beat Hartlepool on Monday and it was gutting to draw but, as we have been struggling to score, it is a positive that we scored two goals in that game.

We just seem unable to see games out at home, Cheltenham and then Hartlepool spring to mind, and it's something we need to work on. There were plenty of encouraging signs though and, if we look on it as four points from two games, there is plenty to build on going into our next league game at Cheltenham which is a huge fixture for us.

**Enjoy the game today.  
Seamus**



# HULL OF A MOVE

## NEW BOYS EAGER TO HELP REDS

**NEW** boys Harvey Rodgers and Jonathan Edwards have quickly settled into Accrington Stanley life.

The pair signed for the Reds on New Year's Day on a season-long loan from Premier League Hull City and will live in Kirkby.

Striker Edwards, 20, also already knew of the Stanley players so it has helped him fit straight into the squad.

"I know Janoi (Donacién) as he is from my area in London," said Edwards, who came through the ranks at Peterborough before signing for Hull in the summer.

"It has also helped that we have come to a new club together and we are living near the other players in Kirkby so will be able to travel in together."

Rodgers, 20, from York, has been at Hull since Under 10 level and hasn't yet been out on loan at any other clubs, playing regularly for the Tigers Under 23s.

"It's what I need at this stage of my career," said the 20-year-old. "After Hull played Manchester City a few weeks ago we were called into the office and told Accrington were interested and both of us and we wanted to come.

"It's a great opportunity to play first team football and we have both been looking at the results and the league table. I know they made the play-offs last season and a couple of wins now can move us into the top half of the table so hopefully we can help Accrington do that."

Edwards has been prolific for Hull Under 23s with 13 goals in around 15 games in all competitions.

"I want to now see what I can do in the league and this is an important part of my career."

"Hopefully I can score the goals to help Accrington move up the table."



# THE

# LOWDOWN

## THE GAFFER

**WELSHMAN** Nathan Jones was appointed as John Still's successor in January 2016. A former coach and assistant-manager at Brighton and Hove Albion, Charlton Athletic and Yeovil Town, he was a player at Kenilworth Road in 1995 but left without making an appearance. Jones spent a year in Spain before returning to the UK and playing for Southend, Brighton and Yeovil. The 43-year-old began his coaching qualifications while still a player with Yeovil, initially coaching the Ladies team, and achieved his UEFA Pro-Licence in 2014.

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Walton came through the ranks at Plymouth, making the bench for the first-team three days after his 16th birthday, before Brighton swooped for him. He has spent time on loan at Bury and Plymouth and is now on a season-long loan at Luton. He has been capped England at Under-19, U20 and U21 level.



## SCOTT CUTHBERT DEFENDER

Capable of playing at either centre-half or right-back, Cuthbert signed for the Hatters last summer having spent two years at Leyton Orient. The Luton captain has been capped at B level for Scotland and came through the youth ranks at Celtic. The captain recently activated a clause in his contract to extend his stay at Kenilworth Road until the summer of 2018.



## GLEN REA MIDFIELD

Sussex-born Rea is a highly-rated Republic of Ireland Under-21 international who can operate as a holding midfielder or centre-half. Rea joined the Hatters on loan from Championship club Brighton and Hove Albion last March, making ten appearances, and signed permanently in June.



# THE SQUAD

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2	STEPHEN O'DONNELL	SCO	D
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4	JONATHAN SMITH	ENG	M
5	JOHNNY MULLINS	ENG	D
6	SCOTT CUTHBERT	SCO	D
7	JAKE GRAY	ENG	M
8	C MCGEEHAN	NIR	M
9	DANNY HYLTON	ENG	F
10	JORDAN COOK	ENG	M
11	DANNY GREEN	ENG	M
12	C MACKAIL-SMITH	SCO	F
14	JACK MARRIOTT	ENG	F
15	ALEX GILLIEAD	ENG	F
16	GLEN REA	ENG	D
17	PELLY RUDDOCK	ENG	M
18	ZANE BANTON	ENG	F
19	OLIVER LEE	ENG	M
20	ISAAC VASSELL	ENG	F
21	JACK SENIOR	NIR	D
23	JOSH MCQUOID	ENG	M
27	TYREEQ BAKINSON	ENG	M
30	JACK SNELUS	ENG	G
31	CRAIG KING	ENG	F
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**@GPenaluna:** [@ASFCofficial](#)

On New Years Eve morning, we would all of taken 4 points on Bank Holiday evening. #getin

**@gibby9790:** Somebody is going to get a hiding eventually. We cannot keep on being so dominant and not putting games to bed. [@ASFCofficial](#)

**@SteveMarsden:** MOTM by a mile [@mattypearson5](#) Won the penalty, scored a goal, 110% effort as ever. Should've won. [@ASFCofficial](#)

**@Kirst\_ASFC:** All i can say is we was very unlucky today.. onwards to saturday now. Lets get too the fourth round [@ASFCofficial](#)

**@baldy984:** 3 points dropped but after the run we have

been on you'd have snatched 4 points in the last 2 games #Believe

**@dexterbexterdog:** [@ASFCofficial](#) Frustrating not to win a six pointer but staying unbeaten should give the lads confidence.

**Diane O'Mara** Felt like a defeat in the end with the manner of their equaliser but on the bright side, 4 points from last 2 games is more positive & the new lad looked handy when he came on

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## ACCRINGTON STANLEY HARTLEPOOL UNITED SKY BET LEAGUE 2 02/01/17

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### MATCH HIGHLIGHTS

- 9 Shay McCartan is denied from close range by Adam Bartlett
- 57 Matty Pearson is pushed in the area and Billy Kee converts the penalty 1-0
- 60 Padraig Amond heads home the equaliser 1-1
- 70 Pearson heads home Sean McConville's corner 2-1
- 86 Scott Harrison finds the back of the net after a goalmouth scramble to level again 2-2



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## **MATCH HIGHLIGHTS**

- 6** Chris Dagnall misses a gilt-edged chance to put Crewe ahead
- 10** Shay McCartan fires into the side netting
- 22** Billy Kee's header is turned around the post by Ben Garratt
- 32** Kee's header squirms beyond Garratt and into the bottom of the net 0-1
- 45** Seamus Conneely fires narrowly over
- 63** George Cooper is denied by Aaron Chapman
- 75** The legs of the Stanley keeper stop Callum Ainley equalising



**"It's a huge relief. It wasn't the greatest performance but the result was all-important to end 2016 on a high"**



# PEARSON WANTS CONTINUED IMPROVEMENT

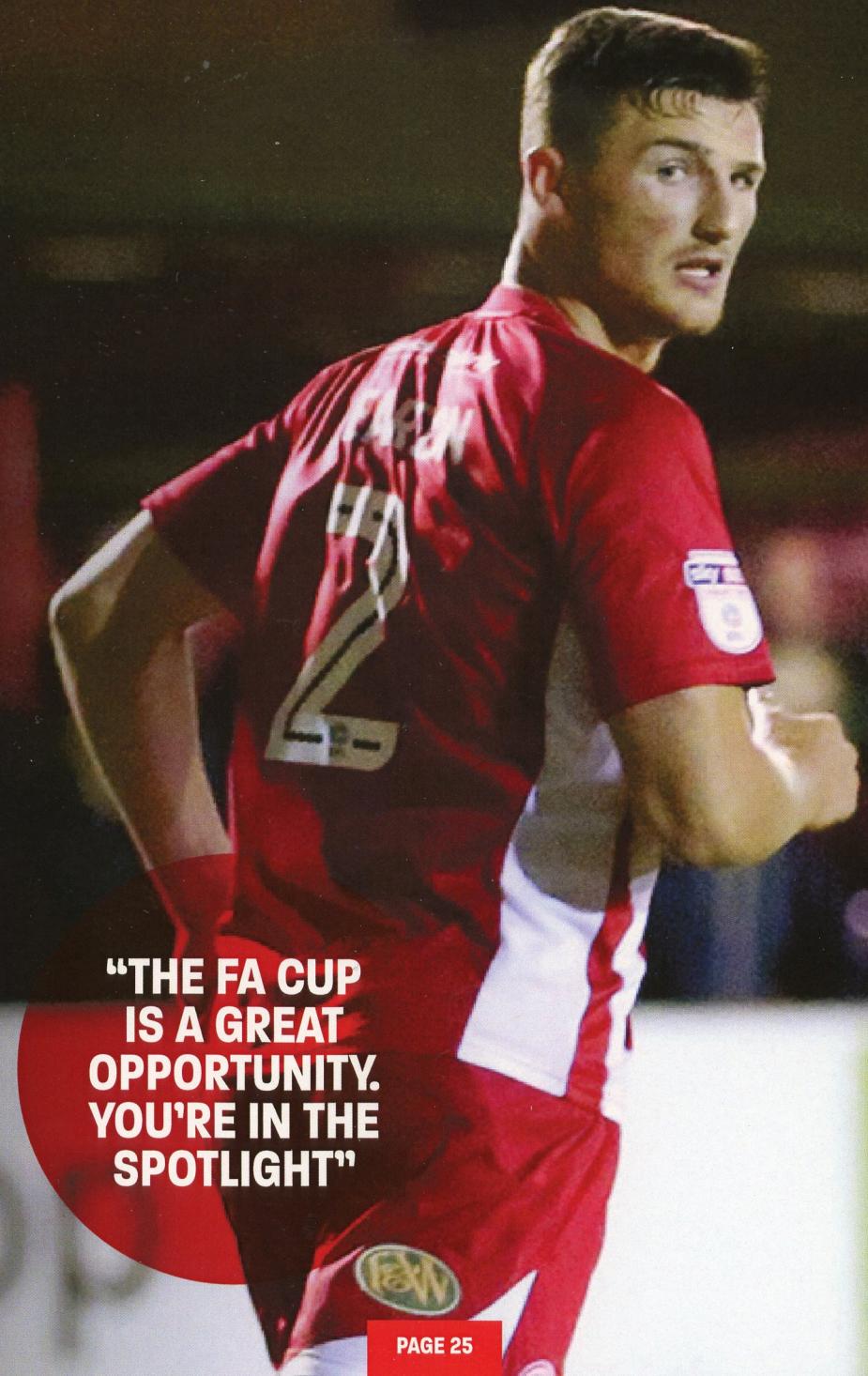
A WIN AND A DRAW IN THE LAST TWO GAMES HAVE ENCOURAGED MATTY PEARSON – NOW HE WANTS MORE

**STANLEY** defender Matty Pearson is pleased with their recent upturn in form but is still asking for further improvement. The versatile 23-year-old won a penalty and scored in Monday's 2-2 draw with Hartlepool United at the Wham Stadium.

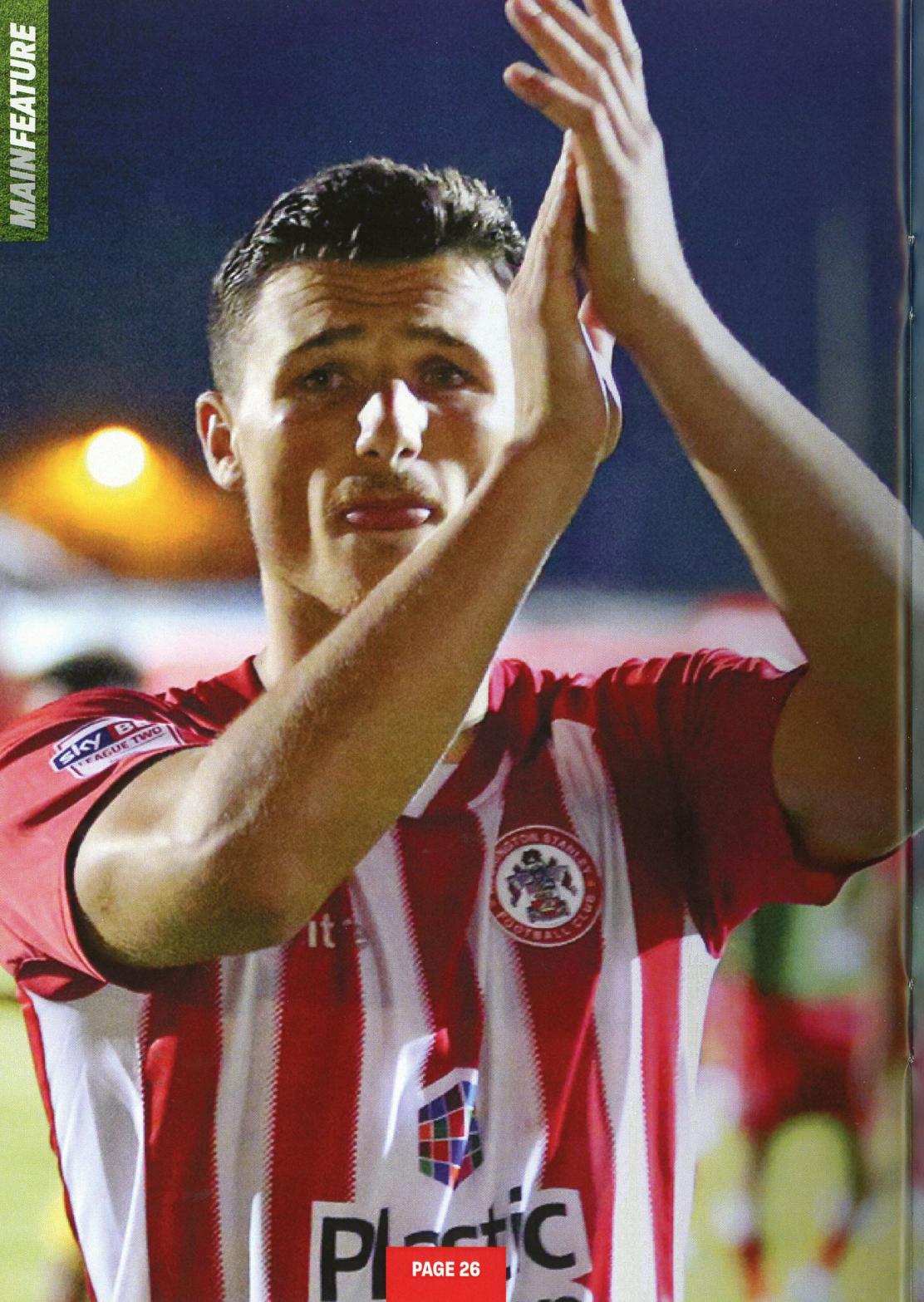
That result came just days after a first league win in ten when the Reds won 1-0 at Crewe.

Pearson thinks that three points has been a big boost to everyone around the club.

"It's a happier place than it was a week or so ago," he said. "Once you win you remember how good winning feels. As a professional you like winning at anything, whether it's cards or a board game or whatever. You just love winning. Once we got



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that winning feeling back it made it all feel a lot better.

"I feel like we can climb away from danger. It's not in doubt for me. We have good players here. Jonny Edwards came on (on Monday) to make his debut, a young lad on loan and I thought he did really well. I'm sure the gaffer will get the best out of the players we have here and we'll start climbing the table."

A point against Pools means it's two games unbeaten for John Coleman's side and hopefully an end to a period of struggling to score goals but Pearson now thinks it's important to balance attack and defence.

"I'm sick of conceding goals but that just seems to be how it is at the minute," he reflected. "The plus side is that we scored two goals and posed a lot of goal threat but we couldn't keep them out.

"We're getting better in front of goal. We've always been good at creating chances really but we've started taking them. We need to keep doing that and sooner or later it will turn and we'll be scoring and not conceding.

"We were all disappointed not to win. We have to be holding on in those sort of games and seeing them through but we didn't. We got a point but sometimes a

point isn't good enough and we feel like we should have taken all three.

"We need to learn from that. As soon as we score we need to be going again and thinking about getting another goal instead of having the mindset of thinking we're a goal up and taking it easy. We can't be holding on to what we have got, we have to push on and try to score again and again.

"I was obviously pleased to put us back in front but it was the same thing again – disappointed to concede a second goal. We'll get it right though. As a defender it's hard to concede two goals at home but we'll learn from it."

Attention quickly turned to the next challenge, today's FA Cup third round tie at home to Luton Town.

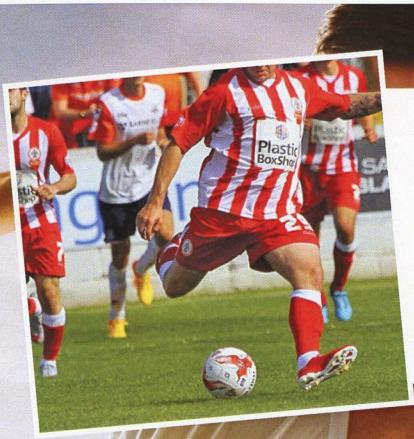
**"I WAS OBVIOUSLY PLEASED TO PUT US BACK IN FRONT BUT IT WAS THE SAME THING AGAIN – DISAPPOINTED TO CONCEDE A SECOND GOAL. WE'LL GET IT RIGHT THOUGH."**

With new players like Edwards and fellow loanee Harvey Rodgers coming in, Pearson thinks competition will be fierce to win, and keep, places in the team.

"You should have to be on your toes in football," he said. "It's part and parcel. You have to be giving your all every time you play and know that there are other players who can come in and take your place if you don't. You put on your shirt and are playing for your position.

"The FA Cup is a great opportunity. You're in the spotlight, I don't know how the two managers will approach the game but whether you're keeping your shirt or coming in there's a chance to play in the next league game as well as make it into the next round."

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Kasom Shah said: "I can't describe how happy I am. There are still other players who are working to achieve the same as us and I want to help give them the best opportunity as well." It was also a dream come true for Alex O'Neill after being previously dropped by Liverpool.

He said: "You always have to be confident. You need to think you can do it, and I've always had a confident feel that I will get a contract so I gave it everything I had. I'm happy to say I'm a scholar at Stanley now."

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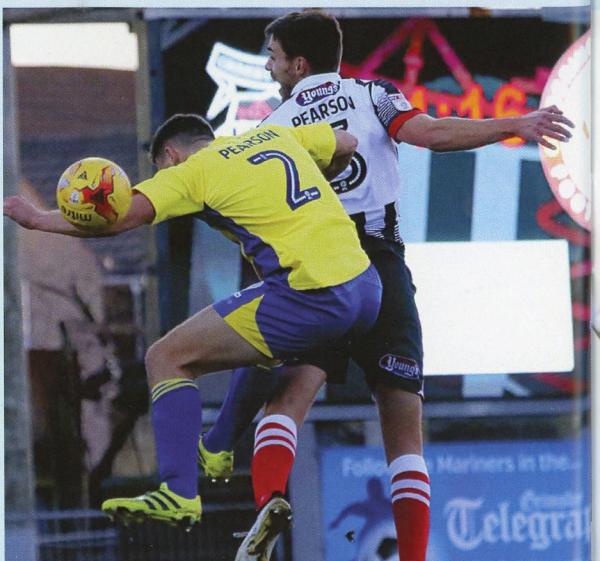
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**MATCH HIGHLIGHTS**

- 19** Keeper Dean Henderson denies Jordan Clark
- 23** On loan Man U stopper Henderson keeps out a Rommy Boco shot
- 32** A slip by Omar Beckles allows Tom Bolarinwa to run through and open the scoring 1-0
- 68** Henderson superbly keeps out a Shay McCartan long range effort with his legs
- 88** Grimsby break and Ashley Chambers seals the win 2-0



**"I can't believe this group of players keeps losing to teams who on the day they are better than. We are on a horrendous run."**





# ATE TACKLE

FEW managers like doing business in the January window. Inflated prices, squad disruption, limited availability - it's all too easy to get fleeced or make a catastrophic blunder.

So with agents barrelling around the country and chief execs gripping their calculators, we look at some of last year's biggest EFL deals and whether they stand up to scrutiny 12 months on...

### STEVE SIDWELL STOKE - BRIGHTON (LOAN)

Barely an eyebrow was raised when veteran midfielder Sidwell arrived at the Amex, his best days seemingly over and a quiet life as back-up to Beram Kayal beckoning.

Fast-forward 12 months and - now signed permanently - the 34-year-old's composure and intelligence in the middle of the park has played a huge role in turning Chris Hughton's Seagulls from solid promotion chasers into unbeatable title contenders.

It says everything that Kayal - arguably last season's standout performer - has not been missed since injuring an ankle in October.

**VERDICT: HIT**

### DIEGO FABBRINI WATFORD - BIRMINGHAM (£1.5M)

Sanctioned by Brum's soon-to-be new owners, Fabbrini's big-money arrival was supposed to herald an exciting new dawn at St Andrews. Gone were the days of dogged scrappers on League One wages - in were flamboyant continental playmakers for hefty transfer fees.

Alas, the Italian has so far played just six times all season. Unsuitably to Gary Rowett's preferred 4-4-2 system, Fabbrini's lack of game time is thought to have played a part in the owners' decision to install compatriot Gianfranco Zola, the man who signed him for Watford in 2013.

Yet even he seems unconvinced, with Fabbrini allowed just 21 minutes in Zola's four matches so far.

**VERDICT: MISS**

### JORDAN RHODES BLACKBURN - MIDDLESBROUGH (£9M)

Signed by chairman Steve Gibson to the chagrin of manager Aitor Karanka, the striker's six goals in 18 games undoubtedly inched Boro over the line and into the top flight. That alone was worth the cash. Nevertheless, the Scottish

international is unwanted by Karanka and serves little purpose in a doggedly defensive side. With the Spaniard in charge, Boro fans - and the rest of us - are unlikely to see Rhodes at his best.

**VERDICT: MISS**

### YANN KERMORGANT BOURNEMOUTH - READING (£500,000)

A lot of money for a 34-year-old? It must have seemed that way as the French striker scored just three goals in 17 games for Brian McDermott's mid-table scrappers last term.

Yet the summer arrival of Jaap Stam and his possession-heavy philosophy was tailor-made for the clever hold-up man, whose deft technique and ability to play for others has underpinned the Royals' unexpected march up the table.

As a recent rest shows, the legs aren't quite up to 46 games anymore. Then again, two late goals in the dramatic 3-2 victory over Bristol City last weekend suggests there's plenty of life in the old dog yet.

**VERDICT: HIT**

# SOCIAL MEDIA



### STANLEY PLAYERS ON TWITTER OVER THE LAST WEEK

**@mattpearson5** Happy new year! Let's make 2017 a good one!



**@j\_o\_sully18** Happy new year everyone. Hope you have a great 2017



**@ZakVynert**: Great grind from the lads at Crewe to get the three points. Just what we need. Happy new year!!



**@j\_o\_sully18**: Boom what a win at Crewe



**@JonnyE96**: Great feeling making my debut, unlucky not holding on to the win but a point in the right direction

### REACTION TO TWO HULL LOAN SIGNINGS

**Liam Fox Povey** Great by the manager hopefully they perform and start to kick Accrington Stanley where they need to be.

**Sarah Francis** Welcome to club lads. All the best. You've got my full support

**Rod Steele** Edwards Looked lively when he came on

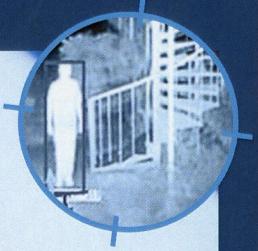
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## OUR YEAR IN NUMBERS - 2016



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ACCRINGTON Stanley Community Trust has made a huge impact in the Hyndburn area in 2016.

A large number of people have benefited from some of the award-winning Trust's key areas of sport participation, health, education and inclusion.

Martin Fearon, Community Trust Manager said: "Every year we aim to grow our provision so that more and more people from our local area can benefit from our vast array of projects. We have done this again in 2016 and the numbers are remarkable.

"I would like to thank all of our

funders and partners who have played a part in helping us achieve our aims and objectives this year. We now deliver over 30 community projects and employ 18 local people.

"We are also an award-winning charity after picking up the Hyndburn Community Business of the Year Award in June. The award recognises the positive impact we are making in our community and we want to build on this over the next 12 months.

"We have some exciting plans next year which include a range of new sport and education provision so keep

your eyes peeled for these to be announced in the coming weeks.

"We have also secured funding from the Premier League, National Lottery and Sport England which will be invested into new projects.

"We play a crucial role for Accrington Stanley by increasing the awareness in the local area and providing opportunities for many people. We hope to see many of our participants at the Wham Stadium this season to support the team."

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**GOOD** afternoon and it's a quick return to the Wham Stadium today for our Emirates FA Cup third round tie against Skybet League Two opponents Luton Town. It's a big game for both clubs with the prize money on offer and the prospect of a fourth round match against higher league opposition.

### MATCH SPONSOR

A warm welcome to our former chairman Ilyas Khan, Idris Khan, Trevor Wells and guest from GOS Systems who are our match sponsors for today's game. GOS Systems are global telecommunications technology business who are based in London and Singapore. It's superb that they are supporting us and it's great to welcome Ilyas back to the Wham Stadium.

### THE LOUNGE

We have a mixed lounge this

afternoon with both Stanley and Luton supporters. Accrington fan David Davies and guests are in the lounge today and they are from our Fan Zone sponsors McMurrays Haulage. Thank you all for your continued support. Thank you also to Philip Grunshaw, Michael Garner, Keith Pilkington and guests, John Sayer and guest, Peter Mitchell and guest, Mike Gavey and his son Jack Hale who is proudly supporting the Reds. We hope you all have an enjoyable afternoon with us.

### FREE DRAW

From now until the last home game of the season every guest who is in hospitality will have the chance of entering a free draw to win a 2016/2017 signed Accrington Stanley home shirt by the first team - all we ask for is a little

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# OASSCNEWS

OFFICIAL ACCRINGTON STANLEY SUPPORTERS CLUB



### STRONGER TOGETHER

The recent victory at Crewe and follow up point against Hartlepool has only served to underline that unity is strength. Prior to Christmas there were a few mutterings of unrest and discontent.

I doubt I am in the minority when I support the view that there are no better management teams in our League than our current pairing. It is time to get back to basics and trust our owner to own, our manager to manage and we, the supporters, need to support. Together we are strong and results will start to reflect the efforts of all and reward our better performances.

### SUPPORTERS MEETING

We had refreshing honesty from John Coleman and Jimmy Bell when they attended our December meeting for a Q & A session.

Faced with questions on squad additions and departures, playing

style, frustrations, favourites old and new they answered everything to the full and a good evening was enjoyed by all who attended.

Our next meeting is Thursday 19th January at 7.15pm in the Sports Bar and all are most welcome.

### PLAYER OF THE MONTH - DECEMBER

We also held the vote for our December Player of the Month, from the manager's shortlist of four, and Matty Pearson retained his mantle from November and reigned supreme once more.



We also drew supporter Adam Houlden to present the trophy and this was done before kick off at the Hartlepool game last Monday.

### #UPINLIGHTS

We were delighted to hit our Xmas target of £10,000 thanks to the generosity of the 434 fans who have contributed so far.

We are launching to our business partners on Tuesday with a breakfast presentation at the Wham Stadium. We will be outlining the opportunities that a screen on match day would bring to local business and canvassing for some support.

We will be introducing one or two new rewards into the scheme to try and attract our own local supporters and help us reach our campaign target.

The aim is to have a screen in place for the start of next season and there is no reason not to think we will get there.

**Peter J Leatham**  
Chairman



DATE	OPPOSITION	COM	SCORE	ATT	STARTING XI				
06/08	Doncaster Rovers	L2	3 - 2	2,647	Chapman	Donacién	Beckles	Hughes	Pearson
09/08	Bradford City	EFL C1	0 - 0	1,936	Parish	Donacién	Beckles	Hughes	Pearson
13/08	Barnet	L2	0 - 2 L	1,501	Chapman	Donacién	Beckles	Hughes	Pearson
16/08	Wycombe Wanderers	L2	1 - 1 D	2,747	Chapman	Donacién	Beckles	Hughes	Pearson
20/08	Exeter City	L2	1 - 2 L	1,300	Chapman	Donacién	Beckles	Hughes	Pearson
24/08	Burnley	EFL C2	1 - 0 W	3,170	Parish	Donacién	Beckles	Hughes	Pearson
27/08	Morecambe	L2	2 - 3 L	1,763	Parish	Donacién	Beckles	Hughes	Pearson
30/08	Crewe	EFL	0 - 3 L	5,85	Parish	Jones	Sykes	Pearson	McKeown
03/09	Carlisle United	L2	1 - 1 D	5,128	Chapman	Donacién	Beckles	Vyner	Pearson
10/09	Notts County	L2	2 - 0 W	3,988	Chapman	Donacién	Beckles	Pearson	Vyner
17/09	Portsmouth	L2	1 - 0 W	2,461	Chapman	Vyner	Beckles	Pearson	Donacién
21/09	West Ham United	EFLCR3	0 - 1 L	39,877	Parish	Vyner	Beckles	Pearson	Donacién
24/09	Colchester United	L2	2 - 1 W	3,109	Parish	Vyner	Beckles	Pearson	Donacién
27/09	Mansfield Town	L2	1 - 1 D	1,134	Parish	Beckles	Pearson	Donacién	Vyner
01/10	Cambridge United	L2	1 - 2 L	3,765	Chapman	Vyner	Beckles	Pearson	Donacién
08/10	Cheltenham Town	L2	1 - 1 D	1,637	Chapman	Vyner	Beckles	Hughes	Pearson
15/10	Blackpool FC	L2	2 - 1 W	2,754	Parish	Vyner	Beckles	Pearson	Donacién
22/10	Crawley Town	L2	0 - 0 D	2,092	Parish	Vyner	Beckles	Pearson	Donacién
29/10	Newport County	L2	1 - 3 L	1,251	Parish	Vyner	Beckles	Pearson	Donacién
05/11	Bradford City	FA1	2 - 1 W	4,985	Parish	Lacey	Beckles	Hughes	Pearson
12/11	Luton Town	L2	0 - 1 L	8,008	Parish	Lacey	Beckles	Hughes	Pearson
19/11	Stevenage FC	L2	0 - 1 L	1,283	Parish	Vyner	Beckles	Pearson	McConvile
22/11	Hartlepool United	L2	0 - 2 L	2,514	Parish	Vyner	Beckles	Hughes	McConvile
26/11	Yeovil Town	L2	1 - 1 D	1,263	Parish	Vyner	Hughes	Pearson	McConvile
04/12	Woking	FA2	3 - 0 W	3,718	Chapman	Pearson	Beckles	Hughes	McConvile
10/12	Leyton Orient	L2	0 - 1 L	3,964	Chapman	Pearson	Beckles	Hughes	McConvile
17/12	Plymouth Argyle	L2	0 - 1 L	1,573	Parish	Vyner	Beckles	Hughes	Pearson
26/12	Grimsby Town	L2	0 - 2 L	5,782	Chapman	Vyner	Beckles	Hughes	Pearson
31/12	Crewe Alexandra	L2	1 - 0 W	3,471	Chapman	Vyner	Pearson	Hughes	Donacién
02/01	Hartlepool United	L2	2 - 2 D	1,590	Chapman	Pearson	Beckles	Hughes	Donacién
07/01	Luton Town	FA3	3:00						
14/01	Cheltenham Town	L2	3:00						
21/01	Carlisle United	L2	3:00						
28/01	Morecambe	L2	3:00						
04/02	Notts County	L2	3:00						
11/02	Portsmouth	L2	3:00						
14/02	Mansfield Town	L2	7:45						
18/02	Colchester United	L2	3:00						
25/02	Doncaster Rovers	L2	3:00						
28/02	Wycombe Wanderers	L2	7:45						
04/03	Barnet	L2	3:00						
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17/04	Crawley Town	L2	3:00						
22/04	Newport County	L2	3:00						
29/04	Luton Town	L2	3:00						
06/05	Stevenage FC	L2	3:00						

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Lacey	Clark	McConvile	Clark	Gornell (62), Hewitt (96), Chapman, Hughes, Davies, Jones, Eagles
Brown	Clark	McConvile	Boco	Kee
Conneely	O'Sullivan	Clark	Boco	Gornell (84), Hewitt (82), Chapman, Davies, Jones, Hery, Lacey
Conneely	O'Sullivan	Clark	Gornell	Kee (69), Eagles (79), Jones (86), Parish, Taylor-Fletcher, Lacey, Hewitt
Conneely	O'Sullivan	Clark	Gornell	GTF (56), Boco (62) <sup>2</sup> , McCartan (86), Chapman Hughes, Lacey, Jones
Lacey	O'Sullivan	Clark	Gornell	Boco (72), Chapman, Hughes, Jones, Taylor-Fletcher, Hewitt, McCartan
Conneely	O'Sullivan	Clark	Gornell	GTF(60), Boco (69), McCartan (69), Chapman Hughes, Lacey, Jones
Conneely	McConvile	Clark	Gornell	McCartan (84), Hewitt (95), Chapman, Taylor-Fletcher, Ogle, Sykes, Kee
Conneely	McConvile	Clark	Gornell	Taylor-Fletcher (82), Chapman, Davies, Hery, Hewitt, Ogle, Sykes
Conneely	Boco	Clark	Gornell	O'Sullivan (67), Kee (72), Lacey (82), Hughes, Taylor-Fletcher, Ogle, Chapman
Conneely	O'Sullivan	Clark	Kee	Lacey (69), Boco (81), Davies, Gornell Taylor-Fletcher, Sykes, Chapman
Conneely	O'Sullivan	Clark	Kee	Lacey (39), Boco (61), Taylor-Fletcher (72), Davies, Beckles, Gornell, Chapman
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Davies	O'Sullivan	Clark	Lacey	McCartan (69), Boco (69), Little, Taylor-Fletcher, Hewitt, Conneely, Vyner
Conneely	O'Sullivan	Clark	Boco	McCartan (79), Gornell (87), Little, Davies, Taylor-Fletcher, Hewitt, Sykes
Conneely	O'Sullivan	Clark	Boco	McCartan (64), Davies, Gornell, McConvile, Taylor-Fletcher, Donacién, Little
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2 Plymouth Argyle	24	15	3	6	37	25	12	48
3 Carlisle United	24	12	10	2	45	31	14	46
4 Portsmouth	24	12	6	6	37	22	15	42
5 Wycombe Wanderers	24	12	5	7	32	26	6	41
6 Luton Town	24	10	8	6	34	22	12	38
7 Cambridge United	24	11	5	8	35	26	9	38
8 Colchester United	24	10	6	8	36	29	7	36
9 Barnet	24	9	9	6	33	33	0	36
10 Blackpool	24	9	7	8	36	25	11	34
11 Exeter City	24	10	3	11	33	27	6	33
12 Grimsby Town	24	9	6	9	32	28	4	33
13 Crawley Town	24	9	5	10	30	38	-8	32
14 Yeovil Town	24	8	6	10	25	28	-3	30
15 Stevenage	24	9	3	12	35	39	-4	30
16 Mansfield Town	24	7	9	8	23	29	-6	30
17 Crewe Alexandra	24	6	10	8	24	31	-7	28
18 Hartlepool United	24	6	9	9	33	42	-9	27
19 Morecambe	23	8	3	12	27	41	-14	27
20 Leyton Orient	24	7	4	13	26	34	-8	25
21 Accrington Stanley	24	6	7	11	23	31	-8	25
22 Notts County	24	6	4	14	27	44	-17	22
23 Cheltenham Town	24	4	9	11	24	37	-13	21
24 Newport County AFC	23	4	5	14	27	41	-14	17

**PLAYER STATS**

	APPS	SUB	GOALS	Y	R
1 Elliot PARISH	16	0	0	2	1
2 Matty PEARSON	30	0	3	6	0
3 Mark HUGHES	20	1	0	2	1
4 Arron DAVIES	5	3	1	0	0
5 Omar BECKLES	27	0	0	2	0
6 Zak VYNER	17	0	0	2	0
7 Jordan CLARK	24	4	2	2	0
8 Scott BROWN	20	0	0	4	1
9 Terry GORNELL	13	4	4	2	0
10 Shay MCCARTAN	6	9	0	4	0
11 Sean McCONVILLE	28	0	2	7	1
12 Callam JONES	2	2	0	0	0
14 Rommy BOCO	10	18	7	1	0
15 Gary TAYLOR-FLETCHER	2	4	1	0	0
16 Bastien HERY	1	1	0	1	0
17 Paddy LACEY	12	5	1	3	0
18 Steven HEWITT	7	7	0	0	0
19 Brayden SHAW	0	0	0	0	0
20 Aaron CHAPMAN	16	1	0	0	0
24 Jonathan EDWARDS	1	0	0	0	0
26 Ross SYKES	3	0	0	0	0
27 John O'SULLIVAN	23	1	2	2	0
28 Seamus CONNEELY	25	0	0	6	0
29 Billy KEE	20	2	9	2	0
30 Janoi DONACIEN	20	0	1	7	0
33 Chris EAGLES	3	7	0	0	0

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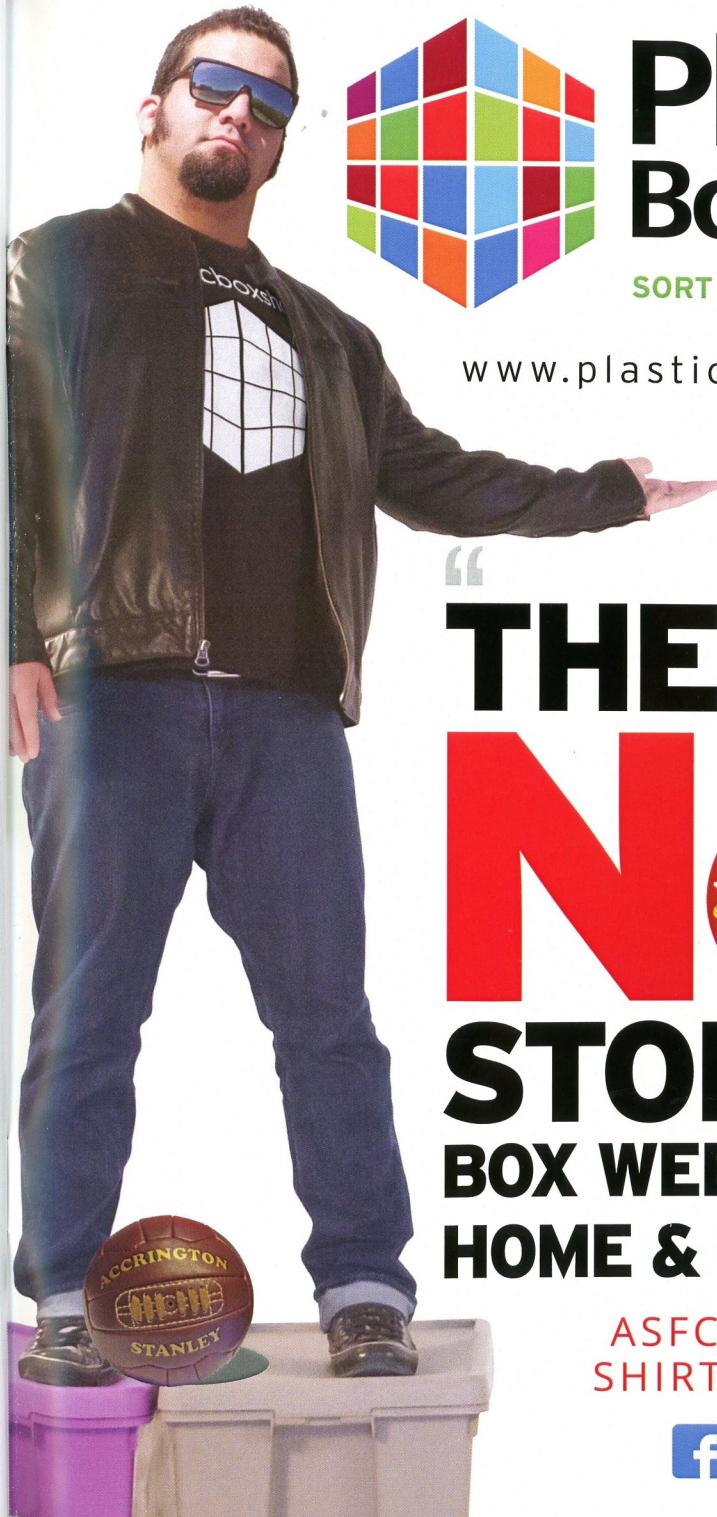
Will all supporters who stand behind the goals, please ensure that they stand behind the crush barriers and keep the gangway at the front clear. This is an important part of Accrington Stanley's safety policy, and we would kindly ask for your cooperation in this matter to ensure the safety of all spectators on the ground.

**Ground rules and regulations**

All persons entering The Crown Ground on match days are admitted subject to the rules and regulations of the Football Association. The club reserves the right to eject and prosecute, if appropriate any person who is considered by the club to be in breach of the following:

- 1 Entering the stadium by any other means than through the proper turnstile or gate.
- 2 Entering the field of play, before, during or after any game.
- 3 Using obscene or abusive language, likely to cause offence.
- 4 Using terms of abuse, racial or otherwise, that may offend others.
- 5 Being under the influence of alcohol or drugs.
- 6 Making vulgar or obscene gestures.
- 7 Carrying any offensive objects or throwing any article onto the field of play.
- 8 The climbing or sitting on any perimeter wall is not permitted.
- 9 The consumption of alcohol is strictly limited to the Sports Bar, designated areas behind the stands, Sponsors Lounges and Board Room.

Accrington Stanley Football Club would like to remind all fans that the Crown Ground is situated in a residential area, and therefore asks all fans park responsibly and act accordingly both before and after the game.



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