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KEITH HILL

Good afternoon and welcome back to the Crown Oil Arena for today's game against Luton Town.

That welcome is extended to Nathan Jones, his staff, players and everyone associated with our visitors who have made the trip for the match.

As I said in last weekend's notes, you need to make the most of your home form, so I was really pleased that we got a well-deserved three points on the board with the win against Charlton Athletic, especially after the disappointment at Wycombe.

The players responded superbly well to that defeat and the manner of the victory pleased me the most, because I thought they showed a lot of grit and determination in a genuine, honest, hard-working performance, which was full of energy.

Those qualities gave us a platform for the win over Charlton and it's important that we see more of the same today against a very good Luton side, who have started the season extremely well following their promotion to the division.

Sixteen league games in and we're still striving to find a consistency in performances and individually, but I'm optimistic and I believe there's more to come from this good group of players if we continue to keep working hard and with an honesty.

Enjoy the game
Keith

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SCENE SETTER

Welcome to the Crown Oil Arena for this afternoon's game against Luton Town.

We are now entering one of my favourite periods of every football season.

The clocks have gone back, there are leaves on the pitch and we will need the floodlights at Saturday afternoon matches.

There is also the little matter of the FA Cup starting for us next weekend, although hopefully this time without any beasts from the east!

I can't really explain why I enjoy games from November to February more than at any other times. It's colder and sometimes wetter; it's darker, which seems to lengthen the drive home from away games. There is also a greater risk of postponements.

I can only conclude that because I started watching Dale in December [1982] that this time of year has its own nostalgic corner of my mind that has shaped the last 36 years.

A sunny November afternoon at Spotland, which is then illuminated by the floodlights, brings – and excuse the pun – a warm glow out in me.

I even transferred the need to feel this glow to playing Subbuteo with

my brother at the back of our living room when we were kids.

If we were playing a November match from our Subbuteo Fixtures List, I insisted we started it with the big light on, thereby replicating the sunshine or a bright day.

Yes, I was talking about big lights long before Peter Kay!

As our game progressed, the big light went off and two small wall lights came on instead. They were my floodlights and were infinitely more useful than those you could buy from Subbuteo!

Of course, all this had to happen while our parents were in the kitchen, as my dad was definitely the sort to say, "It's like Blackpool Illuminations in here" as I flicked one light off and another on.

The use of floodlights at football grounds came into focus for me three weeks ago on Sunday 14th October.

Apparently, on 14th October 1878, electric light was used for the first time and so it has just passed its 140th anniversary.

Without it, there would be an absence of so many things we take

for granted, but from the point of view of the football fan, it has allowed us to watch matches in the dark!

The first floodlights were installed at Spotland in 1954, three years before Manchester United had any at Old Trafford.

They were replaced in 1971 and again in 1992, with various other upgrades taking place since then. There are even guidelines for floodlight quality at different levels of the game, although how consistently that is applied is open to debate.

Statements like "European nights under the lights at Anfield" will also be trotted out at this time of year and while it's cheesy, it does have some substance.

A game has a different feel to it when the floodlights are needed, even though it's the same players playing the same sport for the same 90 minutes.

So, I'll enjoy today because of the ambience around the ground; let's hope the football enhances that enjoyment further.

Up The Dale!
Mark Wilbraham (Editor)

MATCH REFEREE



OLLIE YATES (STAFFORDSHIRE)

JOINED LEAGUE LIST: 2016

FIRST LEAGUE GAME:
Yeovil T v Notts C, 6/8/16

DALE GAMES:
21/4/18 v Bradford C (h), D 1-1

LAST LUTON GAME:
None

THIS SEASON:
Games 14
Yellow Cards 44
Red Cards 1



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SPOTLAND SCENE



Rochdale v Gateshead



We can now confirm details for The Emirates FA Cup first round tie against Gateshead.

The game will take place at the Crown Oil Arena next Saturday, 10th November, kick-off 3.00pm.

Admission prices are as follows:

Main Stand

Adults £15

Concessions £10

Juniors £5

Pearl Street & Sandy Lane

Adults £12

Concessions £8

Juniors £4

It is unreserved seating all around the ground.

The Voice of Spotland will be a reduced 56-page programme, price £2.

In the event of a replay, this would take place at Gateshead International Stadium on Tuesday 20th November, kick-off 7:45pm, subject to television requirements.

The prices will be:

Adults £15

Concessions £8

Under-18 £5

The BURKS - A Ruby Odyssey!

On 4th November 1978, 1,352 fans watched Dale defeat Crewe 2-1 with two goals from the Calderdale Crooner, Bobby Hoy.

Amongst the Spotland crowd that day were two young undergraduates who so enjoyed the experience that on returning to college they formed the Bath University Rochdale Keen Supporters - or BURKS, to use its proper name!

Now whether that was due to the expansive football on display that afternoon or the warmth and conviviality they received at a local hostelry, there can be no doubting the continued commitment to the cause.

As with little acorns...

There are now over 300 official BURKS, with a sizeable number attending today's game on the 40th anniversary of their formation.

So, from your native friends, can we send our congratulations and best wishes on 40 years of support.

Stats-Tricks!

Ian Henderson scored his first career hat-trick to give Dale a 3-0 home victory over Gillingham in September, but several other statistics emerged from that achievement.

It was:

- Dale's 82nd hat-trick in league football and the 62nd at home;
- Our first hat-trick against Gillingham;
- The first Dale hat-trick since Matty Lund netted three times at Northampton in December 2016;
- The first home hat-trick since Nathaniel Mendez-Laing's treble versus Swindon in the FA Cup in November 2015;
- The first home league hat-trick since Scott Hogan's against Oxford in March 2014;
- Dale's 17th hat-trick under Keith Hill's management. (As a comparison, the previous 17 occurred between January 1969 & September 2004!)

Seaside Steve!



Former Dale striker Steven Davies has signed a short-term contract with fellow League One club, Blackpool.

The 30-year-old, who has been training with The Seaside, previously spent two seasons at Bloomfield Road between 2013 and 2015, making 47 appearances.

Having also played for the likes of Derby and Bristol City in his career, Davies spent the last two seasons with Dale, where he scored 21 goals, including the famous FA Cup equaliser against Tottenham in February.

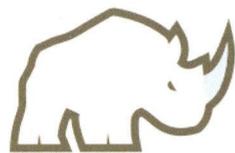
Steven made his second debut for Blackpool against WBA U21 in the Checktrade Trophy, scoring in his side's 2-1 defeat.

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Welcome to...
LUTON TOWN

Luton Town arrive at the Crown Oil Arena this afternoon as the form team in League One.

The Hatters have won five of their last six league outings to top the form table and moved up to fifth place in the league standings after last Saturday's 2-0 win at AFC Wimbledon.

That was only Luton's second away success of the campaign, although those two victories have both been in the last month as our visitors started October with a 2-1 win at Oxford.

Both goals at AFC Wimbledon came in the last half-hour and sandwiched a penalty miss by striker Danny Hylton.

"I think it was as good as recent home performances, but I just don't think it was as fluent," said satisfied manager, Nathan Jones.

"We showed a thoroughly professional side to us, we kept a

clean sheet and we defended our box well against difficult opponents because they're in a false position.

"So, we really had to dig in today and show our character and our performance levels and I am very, very pleased.

"In the first half we weren't really at it, but second half I thought was much, much better and the margin should have been far greater."

Luton's fine start to the season is a continuation of the form they enjoyed last term.

They lost only one of their final ten matches in 2017/18 to finish as runners-up in League Two to Accrington, although promotion seemed certain long before that.

The Hatters were never outside the top two from mid-November onwards and enjoyed three of the EFL's biggest winning margins of

the season with home defeats of Yeovil (8-2), Stevenage (7-1) and Cambridge (7-0).

Their promotion has returned Luton to the third tier they last graced in the 2007/08 campaign.

They finished that season bottom of League One with only 33 points to their name, having been deducted ten points for entering administration.

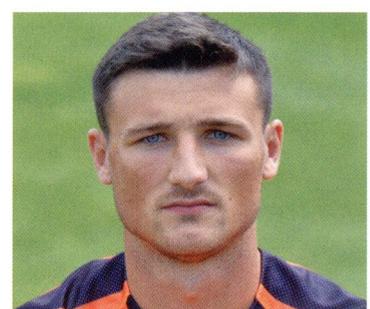
Luton then started the 2008/09 season on -30 points for financial irregularities dating back several years and it was no surprise that this penalty proved to be too large an obstacle to overcome and relegation to non-league football was the inevitable conclusion.

It took The Hatters five seasons to return to the EFL, but they have gradually improved year-on-year ever since and are now looking like one of the surprise contenders for League One's top six come next May.

TO WATCH



LUTON TOWN



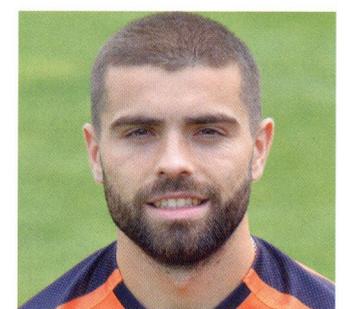
6. MATTY PEARSON

A summer capture from Barnsley, Matty is a versatile defender who began his career at Blackburn, progressing through their youth ranks, before leaving Ewood Park for Spotland in the summer of 2012. Released by Keith Hill 12 months later, the 25-year-old linked-up with Halifax, where he stayed for two seasons, before his impressive performances at The Shay saw Accrington move in for his services. After two-years at the Wham Stadium, Matty joining Barnsley in July 2017, but made only 17 appearances in the Championship last term.



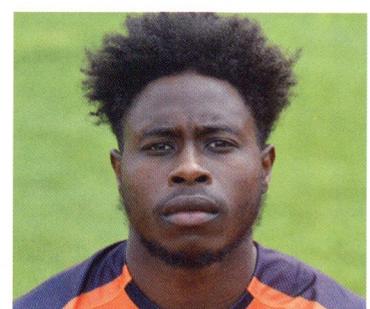
9. DANNY HYLTON

Danny is a London-born forward who joined The Hatters in 2016 after he played his part in helping Oxford to promotion to League One and the Johnstone's Paint Trophy final. The 29-year-old started his career with Aldershot, playing in the Conference and League Two, before moving to Rotherham in June 2013. He appeared only once for The Millers and was loaned out to Bury and AFC Wimbledon, prior to his transfer to Oxford four years ago. After two seasons at the Kassam Stadium, Hylton made the short trip to Kenilworth Road and has been Luton's top scorer for the past two seasons with 50 goals in just 90 appearances.



10. ELLIOT LEE

The son of ex-England and Newcastle midfielder Rob Lee, Elliot is in his second spell at Luton – this time on a permanent deal – having had a short loan from West Ham in 2015. The 23-year-old also played on loan at Colchester, Southend and Blackpool during his time with The Hammers, before leaving London in June 2016 to join Barnsley. Finding game-time limited at Oakwell, Elliot joined our visitors in July 2017 and finished his first full campaign at Kenilworth Road with 12 goals in 19 starts.



17. PELLY-RUDDOCK MPANZU

Pelly is a former West Ham academy graduate who was an instant hit at Kenilworth Road when signed on-loan by then-boss John Still from The Hammers midway through the Conference title-winning campaign of 2013/14. Able to play in central defence, midfield, on the wing or even up front, the 24-year-old has now made almost 170 appearances for The Hatters and extended his contract with the club until 2021 following promotion last season.

THE MANAGER: NATHAN JONES

WHEN WAS HE APPOINTED?

Nathan replaced John Still as Luton manager in January 2016.

WHAT WAS HIS PREVIOUS POSITION?

The 45-year-old was first team coach at Brighton when he moved to Kenilworth Road.

WHERE HAS HE MANAGED BEFORE?

Jones had two games as caretaker-manager of Brighton in December 2014, but he has also coached at Charlton and Yeovil.

WHAT HAS HE WON AS A MANAGER?

Nathan guided Luton to promotion from League Two last season after they missed out in the play-offs 12 months earlier. He has a win rate of around 49% as a manager.

WHAT ABOUT HIS PLAYING DAYS?

Originally with Merthyr Tydfil, Jones was a full-back who moved to Luton in 1995, but left without making an appearance. He then spent a year in Spain, before returning to the UK and playing for Southend, Brighton and Yeovil, making 517 appearances in all competitions.



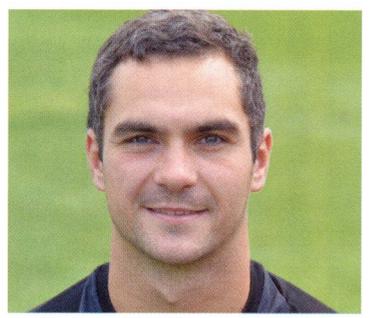
"I REALLY DO BELIEVE WE'RE BUILDING SOMETHING SPECIAL HERE."

ALSO IN THE SQUAD

- 1. Marek Stech**
The holder of one cap for the Czech Republic, Marek is a goalkeeper with previous league experience at Wycombe, Yeovil, Bournemouth and Leyton Orient.
- 2. James Justin**
A defender who progressed through the ranks at Kenilworth Road, James became a first team regular in the 2016/17 season and is now approaching 80 games for The Hatters.
- 3. Dan Potts**
Initially on West Ham's books, Dan is a left-back who joined Luton in May 2015 having gained experience in loan spells at Colchester and Portsmouth during his time with The Hammers.
- 4. Alan McCormack**
Formerly a promotion-winner with Swindon and Brentford, Alan added another success to his CV last season when he helped Luton into League One from League Two. The midfielder has over 470 career outings to his name.
- 5. Sonny Bradley**
After rejecting a new contract at Plymouth, Sonny linked-up with Luton in the summer. The 27-year-old has also appeared against Dale for the likes of Aldershot, Portsmouth and Crawley in the last six seasons.
- 7. Jack Stacey**
A Reading youth product, Jack – who can operate at right-back and in midfield – is now in his second season at Kenilworth Road. He spent the entire 2016/17 campaign on loan at Exeter and scored the goal that won them the play-off semi-final against Carlisle.
- 8. Luke Berry**
Signed on a three-year deal from Cambridge in August 2017, Luke is a midfielder who scored

- over 50 league goals in two spells with The U's, sandwiching the 2014/15 season he spent at Barnsley.
- 11. Andrew Shinnie**
Initially signed on a season-long loan from Birmingham, before joining Luton permanently in summer 2018, Andrew is a Scottish midfielder who started his career at Rangers and has also spent time with Dundee, Inverness, Rotherham and Hibernian.
 - 14. Harry Cornick**
Recruited from Bournemouth, Harry is a 23-year-old striker who had six loan spells away from The Cherries before making the permanent move to Kenilworth Road in August 2017.
 - 16. Glen Rea**
A highly-rated former Republic of Ireland U21 international who can operate in midfield or at centre-half, Glen joined The Hatters on loan from Brighton in March 2016, before signing permanently three months later. He is on the verge of his 100th league appearance for the club.
 - 18. Jorge Grant**
On loan at Kenilworth Road from Nottingham Forest, Jorge is a midfielder who spent last season with Notts County and was their leading scorer with 19 goals as they reached the League Two play-offs.
 - 19. James Collins**
Signed from Crawley in June 2017, James is a striker who has netted over 130 career goals, with his most prolific spells coming at Shrewsbury, Swindon and then Crawley.
 - 21. Jack Senior**
A 2016 signing from Huddersfield, Jack is a left-back who has been a regular in The Hatters' Checkatrade Trophy side since moving to Kenilworth Road.

- 25. Kazenga LuaLua**
Formerly with Newcastle and Brighton, Kazenga is a winger who recently joined Luton as a free agent having been released by Sunderland at the end of last season.
- 27. Aaron Jarvis**
A forward who arrived from Basingstoke just minutes before the transfer deadline in August 2017, Aaron has made a handful of appearances for our visitors, primarily in the Checkatrade Trophy.
- 28. Lloyd Jones**
Moving to Luton for an undisclosed fee from Liverpool on transfer deadline day in January, Lloyd is a centre-half who gained experience during loan spells with Cheltenham, Accrington, Blackpool and Swindon during his time at Anfield.
- 35. Arthur Read**
Age 19 today, Arthur is a midfielder whose five appearances for Luton have all come in the Checkatrade Trophy.
- 37. Frankie Musonda**
A centre-half and captain of the 2015/16 youth team that won the Under-18 Football League Youth Alliance league and cup double, Frankie penned his first professional contract with The Hatters in November 2015.
- 40. Harry Isted**
A young goalkeeper who was signed from Stoke in August 2017, Harry has been between the sticks in both of Luton's Checkatrade Trophy games this term.
- 44. Alan Sheehan**
Signing permanently for Luton in June 2016 after a successful loan spell from Bradford, Alan is an experienced defender who has played for ten different clubs, including Leicester, Leeds, Swindon and Notts County.



36. JAMES SHEA

After coming through the academy at Arsenal, James had loan spells with Southampton and Dagenham & Redbridge before plying his trade in non-league football with Needham Market and Harrow Borough. The 27-year-old goalkeeper continued to train with Arsene Wenger's squad on a full-time basis during his year outside the professional game, but returned to the Football League when signing for AFC Wimbledon in July 2014. He helped The Dons to promotion from League Two in 2015/16 and made over a century of appearances in all competitions, before moving to Luton as a free agent in July 2017.

WE'VE GOT HISTORY



Today is the 18th meeting between Rochdale and Luton Town and the tenth at the Crown Oil Arena.

Six of the previous nine games here have been league fixtures, with three in Division Four, one in the old Third Division, one in the new Division Three and one in League Two.

The Hatters have also played here three times in the FA Cup, with their two most recent cup visits seeing them run out 2-0 winners.

However, Dale have won their last two home league games versus Luton, although they occurred back in February 2002 and November 2008.

COMPLETE RECORD

HOME

	Pld	W	D	L	F	A
League	6	3	1	2	10	6
FA Cup	3	0	1	2	1	5
TOTAL	9	3	2	4	11	11

OVERALL

	Pld	W	D	L	F	A
League	12	4	2	6	15	20
FA Cup	5	0	2	3	6	11
TOTAL	17	4	4	9	21	31

THEIR LAST VISIT

Wednesday 1st November 2009
FA Cup, First Round Replay



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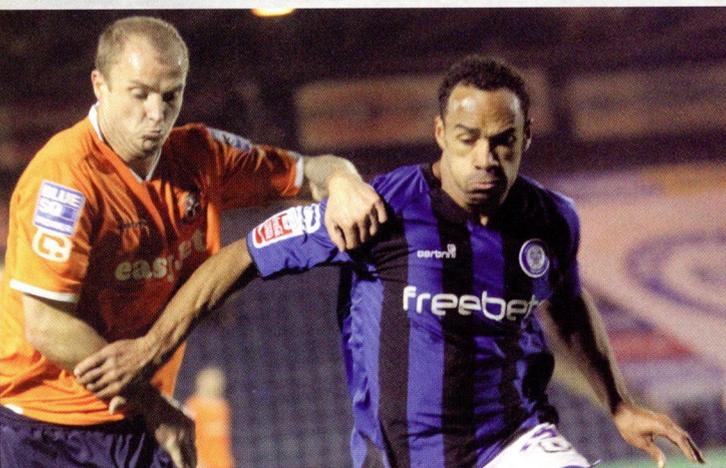
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Rochdale: Taberner, Holness, T Kennedy, Jones, McArdle, Dawson, Thompson (Higginbotham), J Kennedy, Dagnall, O'Grady, Rundle (Magna)

Luton T.: Gore, Asafu-Adjaye, White, Pilkington, Hall (Newton), Howells, Nicholls, Burgess, Jarvis, Craddock (Gnakpa), Gallen (Charles)

Att: 1,982

Referee: Tony Bates (Stoke-on-Trent)



LEAGUE MILESTONES

First met: 1965/66
Doubles achieved: 1
Doubles conceded: 2
Biggest wins:

Home: 3-0, 1966/67
Away: 1-0, 2001/02

Heaviest defeats: **Home:** 1-2, 1965/66 & 1969/70
Away: 1-4, 1965/66 & 1967/68

Last home win: 2-0, 2008/09
Last away win: 1-0, 2001/02
Last home draw: 2-2, 1967/68
Last away draw: 1-1, 2008/09
Last home defeat: 1-2, 1969/70
Last away defeat: 0-2, 1969/70

LEAGUE ATTENDANCES

Home Average: 3,524
Away Average: 9,076
Home Highest: 5,886 in 1969/70
Away Highest: 15,876 in 1969/70
Home Lowest: 1,884 in 1967/68
Away Lowest: 6,435 in 1966/67

DOUBLE TROUBLE

Luton completed a double over Dale in 1965/66 when the clubs met for the first time in league action.

The first encounter took place on a late September Friday evening at Spotland, where the visitors ran out 2-1 winners.

George Morton netted for Dale, with John O'Rourke and Tony Read on target for The Hatters.

The following March, O'Rourke struck a hat-trick in his side's 4-1 defeat of Dale at Kenilworth Road.

Gordon Riddick later added a fourth, all of which came after David Storf and given Dale a 15th minute lead.

FIRST WIN

Dale's first win over Luton came on their second visit to Spotland in September 1966 – although it very nearly didn't happen!

Played on a Tuesday night in early-September 1966, Dale were 3-0 ahead with 20 minutes remaining when an electrical fault saw the floodlights dimmed to two-thirds normal power.

There was a 25-minute delay while the problem was attended to and with the light restored, the game was played out without

further scoring.

Barrie Wheatley had earlier opened the scoring for Dale, before Billy Russell and Paul Crossley made it 3-0 in the second half.

THURSDAY WORK

For some unknown reason, the return fixture in 1966/67 took place at Kenilworth Road on a Thursday night!

Twenty-three days after Dale and Luton had met at Spotland, they reconvened in Bedfordshire, where The Hatters eased to a 3-1 victory.

Paul Crossley was again on target for Dale, but Luton won the game thanks to goals from Tony Thear (2) and Bruce Rioch.

Taking away Christmas and New Year fixtures, that is one of only 17 games Dale have played on a Thursday night in their entire league history!

TOP OF THE LEAGUE

Dale's first visit to Luton in 32 years ended with them top of the Division Three table.

Only goal difference was keeping Joe Kinnear's Hatters' side above Steve Parkin's Dale when we met at Kenilworth Road in October 2001, but by full-time those

positions had been altered somewhat.

A 39th minute tap-in for on-loan forward Paul Wheatcroft, allied to a tremendous performance by another loan player, goalkeeper Marcus Hahnemann, helped Dale to a 1-0 win and took them above their hosts in the table.

Plymouth's 3-0 win at Mansfield meant Luton actually dropped to third place, but both they and Argyle still went on to celebrate promotion at the end of the season.

HIT & MISS

Luton midfielder Steve Robinson had an eventful afternoon when his side visited Spotland in the second round of the FA Cup in December 2003.

The Northern Ireland international gave The Hatters the lead with a 20th minute penalty, but then missed from the spot before half-time to keep Dale in the tie.

Sadly, they couldn't capitalise and in a slightly hostile atmosphere caused by Dale left-back Michael Simpkins remonstrating with his own fans, Lee Mansell added a late second for Luton to clinch the tie at Bradford.

SHARED SHIRTS

Central defender DAVE BAYLISS had an interesting return to Spotland with his new Luton team in February 2002.

After falling out with caretaker-manager David Hamilton following Steve Parkin's departure for Barnsley, Bayliss linked-up with Luton and was in their team when the sides met at Spotland a couple of months later.

Unfortunately, the Scouser was too fired up for the occasion and earned himself an early bath for two yellow cards as Patrick McCourt's goal handed Dale a crucial 1-0 win in what was a crucial promotion six-pointer.

Bayliss had written to Dale's youth team boss, Jimmy Robson, asking for a trial at Spotland in 1992 and joined the staff as a YTS lad.

He made his league debut against Barnet in April 1995 and over the next five seasons played in about half of Dale's games, either in central defence or at full-back.

After three years at Luton, Bayliss returned north to join Wrexham and was back on loan at Spotland in March 2006, bizarrely picking-up another red card when he was allowed to play against his parent club!

Dave later embarked on a stint at Barrow which saw him become joint-manager and lead the side to promotion to the Conference in 2008, as well as victory in the FA Trophy Final two years later.

ROCHDALE: 221 apps, 9 goals
LUTON: 41 apps, 1 goal
OVERALL CAREER: 297 apps, 10 goals

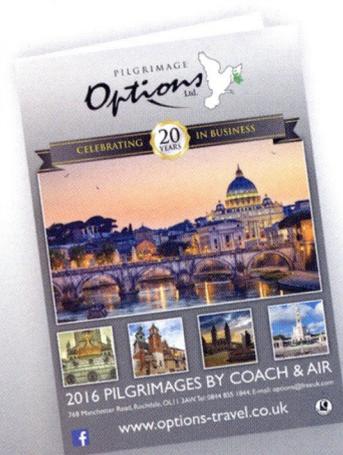


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SCRUTATOR

We welcome Luton Town here today for the first time in a good while in league action. It may seem odd to many here today, but there was a time when The Hatters were one of the best sides in the country.

Rewind to the late-1980s and anyone of a certain vintage could rattle-off the Luton first team. Brian Stein, Mick Harford, David Preece et al were all household names and even more so when Luton (live on television) came from behind to beat Arsenal to win the League Cup in 1988.

I remember watching this excellent match when I was of an age where I was really getting into football. Games like this one got me hooked, but sadly, Luton were denied entry into European football the following year, due to English clubs being banned because of the Heysel disaster.

A year later, they were beaten finalists in the same competition and in 1987 had finished seventh in the top tier of English football.

Despite such an impressive history, within 25 years Luton were playing in the non-league game. This fall must be the biggest and quickest ever in English football. [Wimbledon's fall doesn't count in my view].

"I WOULD HIGHLY RECOMMEND TO ANYONE UNDER THE AGE OF 45 TO PUT 'GLENN HODDLE - 20 GREAT GOALS FOR TOTTENHAM HOTSPUR 1976-1987' INTO YOUTUBE"

Today, however, Luton arrive as a club seemingly set for a return to higher echelons - I would estimate the Championship is par for them as a club.

From Dale's point of view, Luton are already the eighth team we have faced this season who have played top flight football in living memory. This sort of thing is unheard of at Spotland and is a sign of the challenge it is for us to survive in League One.

But, harking back to the 1980s once more, arguably the best player in the country was Glenn Hoddle. This player will have inspired many young lads of that era, so it was with great disappointment to hear the news that he has been taken so unwell last Saturday.

I would highly recommend to anyone under the age of 45 to put 'Glenn Hoddle - 20 Great Goals for Tottenham Hotspur 1976-1987' into YouTube and just marvel at how good a player he was, especially in an era which was so physical, critics would denounce him as a luxury player.

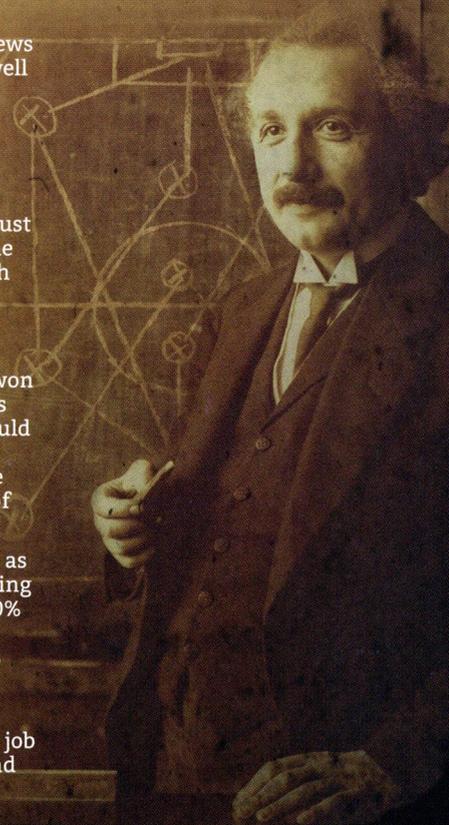
This is probably why he only won 53 caps for England. In today's new-look England side, he would be first pick and captain, because we've moved on since then, largely due to the likes of Hoddle.

Indeed, it was during his time as manager that I started attending a lot of England games. His 60% win-rate puts him at the top table of all England managers and his sides were always entertaining to watch.

It wasn't long after he left the job that I stopped going to England

games as the entertainment vanished with Hoddle, who was forced out of the job by a public witch-hunt against him following controversial comments in the media, in an era where PC Britain was developing at a good rate of knots!

Hopefully, this legend of football will make a full recovery and we can once more enjoy his punditry, where he has the knack of explaining the tactical side of a game in such a way that footballing simpletons like me can understand its finer points!



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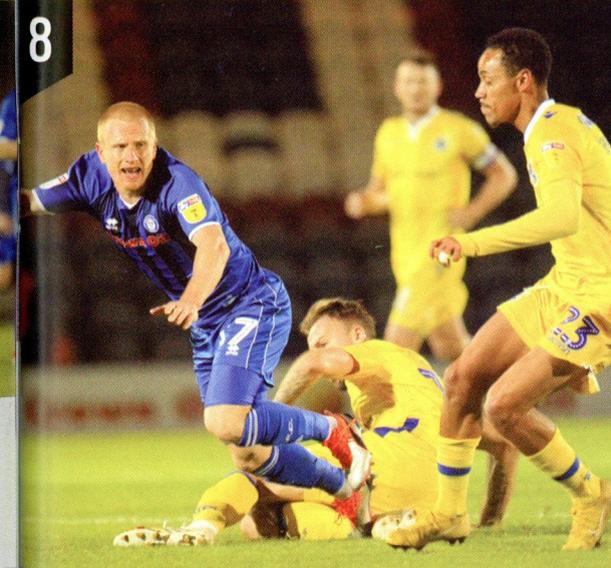
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MATCH POINTS

- Dale have lost only one of their last 13 home games against Bristol Rovers
- We are also unbeaten in our last home fixtures versus The Gas

- Bradden Inman made his 200th career appearance
- Magnus Norman became the sixth Rochdale goalkeeper to be sent-off, but the first in a home game

- 1 **DAVID PERKINS** toe-pokes the ball away from Ollie Clarke
- 2 **OLLIE RATHBONE** gets away from Stuart Sinclair
- 3 **JOE RAFFERTY** crosses after getting free down the right
- 4 **JORDAN WILLIAMS** keeps an eye on defender Tony Craig
- 5 **HARRISON MCGAHEY** looks concerned as Kyle Bennet crumbles under his challenge
- 6 **JORDAN WILLIAMS** unleashes a shot at goal in the second half
- 7 **OLLIE RATHBONE** drives upfield with Liam Sercombe in pursuit
- 8 **DAVID PERKINS** is brought down by Chris Lines

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I WISH I'D GONE...

Programme Editor, Mark Wilbraham, started watching Rochdale in December 1982 and since then he has seen in the region of 1,500 first-team games.

However, there are some matches he never attended for one reason or another, and in this series he will tell you all about times 'I Wish I'd Gone...'

FRIDAY 18TH MAY 1979
CREWE ALEXANDRA 1 ROCHDALE 2
FOOTBALL LEAGUE DIVISION FOUR

WHY DO I WISH I'D GONE?

After looking doomed to finishing bottom of the league again, Dale staged a remarkable great escape to avoid re-election.

WHY DIDN'T I GO?

I was only age ten and I hadn't yet discovered RAFC.

I have witnessed two 'Great Escape' seasons in my time as a Dale fan.

In 1986/87, Eddie Gray's team looked certain to become the first side to suffer automatic relegation from the Football League, only for a tremendous run of results in late-April to save them from the dreaded bottom spot.

Last season, Dale were 12 points from safety at the start of March, but they slowly chipped away at the deficit until the dramatic final day win over Charlton that secured them League One status for another year.

However, older fans always eulogise about the 'Great Escape of 1978/79', a season that is being covered in 'Through The Years' on page 51 of TVOS throughout this campaign.

Dale spent the majority of that season in the bottom two and from game 12 to game 38, they were in 23rd place. Talk about being consistent...

The bad winter hadn't helped Dale's cause either. They won 4-0 at

Scunthorpe on the last Saturday of 1978 and then gained an excellent point at Portsmouth a fortnight later, but only played once in the next two months.

Most other teams were affected by the same weather, but it didn't do much good for gathering momentum.

On Tuesday 17th April, Dale lost 1-0 at Huddersfield in their 38th league fixture. They ended the night eight points from safety, but in the days of two points for a win, that was a sizeable gap.

On the following Saturday afternoon, Brian Taylor scored the only goal of the game to see-off Scunthorpe at Spotland.

Other results saw that deficit reduce to seven points, but another game had gone.

However, over the course of the next three weeks, something remarkable happened. Dale played six matches and won five of them! Annoyingly, their only defeat was away to bottom club Halifax on May Bank Holiday Monday when victory would have taken Dale out of the bottom four.

They won the next match at home to Torquay 48 hours later to climb out of the re-election zone, but were still dependent on Darlington making little of their two games in hand.

Dale had to wait nine days for their final fixture at Crewe, who by now were bottom of the league.

Darlington had picked-up three points from their 44th and 45th games of the season, only to lose

2-0 at promoted Wimbledon the night before Dale travelled to Crewe. The door was slightly ajar...

Both Dale and Darlo were on 37 points by now, so a point would be enough at Gresty Road. There was caution, though, as Crewe had already recorded a home win over Dale that season in the League Cup and needed a result of their own to avoid the Division Four wooden spoon.

There were a few scares on the night, but goals from Mark Hilditch and Chris Jones gave Dale a 2-0 lead and breathing space over their hapless hosts.

Alex did pull one back with a late penalty, but they couldn't force the equaliser and Dale's place outside the bottom four was confirmed.

The attendance of 2,031 was around 800 up on Crewe's usual gate, so we can assume about 700-800 Dale fans made the trip to cheer the team on.

Anyone who was there will probably tell you now that it was "thousands"; I just wish I'd been one of them!



*Not actual photograph of author

HALF-TIME QUIZ

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TRIVIA TEST

Manchester United appointed Louis van Gaal as their manager in 2014. Name the previous four club sides he had managed.

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SCORING SEQUENCES

Starting at the date given, three consecutive Rochdale scorers against Luton are shown. Who was our next scorer versus The Hatters?

10th February 1968



MANAGEMENT MATERIAL

The former Dale player pictured went on to become a manager. Who is he and which club(s) did he manage?

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COUNTRYFILE

The crest shown belongs to which football club and in which country do they play?



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PLAY-OFFS POSER

In 2000/01, Dale played in Division Three and the four teams named qualified for the end-of-season play-offs, but who were the play-off winners?

Hartlepool, Leyton Orient, Hull & Blackpool

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TRIVIA TEST: Ajax, AZ Alkmaar, Barcelona & Bayern Munich
 SCORING SEQUENCES: Joe Fletcher, Reg Jenkins, Paul Wheatcroft & PATRICK McCOURT
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THROUGH



Jamie Allen celebrates with Ian Henderson after scoring his first career goal to give Dale the lead

November 2013

HOME RUN SWEEP UP IN STORM

Rochdale 1 AFC Wimbledon 2
League Two

Dale went down to their second consecutive league defeat on a bizarre afternoon at Spotland.



Unbeaten on home soil since the previous February, Dale actually took the lead against their mid-table visitors, before an equaliser and an interruption to the match helped to change the course of the points.

Jamie Allen, who had only made his debut a month earlier, scored his first career goal on 35 minutes after Matt Lund had headed

Michael Rose's cross back into the centre.

Nine minutes into the second period The Dons were level through Sammy Moore, who volleyed across Josh Lillis after finding space from a free-kick.

It was now an even game, but it suddenly looked like it might be no game after the gathering storms led to lightning striking one of the Spotland floodlights and plunging the ground into semi-darkness.

It was doubtful whether the game would continue, but the electricians managed to get the other three pylons back up and running after a 15-minute delay.

The break in play seemed to affect Dale more than Wimbledon and the visitors grabbed the winner six minutes from time when Andy Frampton took advantage of poor defending to volley home from the edge of the area.

Dale: Lillis, Rafferty, Rose, Dicker, Lancashire, O'Connell, Henderson, Lund, Cummins (Hery), Allen (Hogan), Done (Vincenti)

Att: 2,483

Referee: Iain Williamson (Berkshire)

LUTON remained in third place in the Skrill Premier League after being held to a 0-0 draw at Gateshead.



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THE YEARS



Will Buckley takes on Brentford's Glenn Poole at Griffin Park ten years ago

November 2008

DALE HARNESS THE WIND IN GRIFFIN PARK VICTORY

Brentford 1 Rochdale 2
League Two

Dale won their fourth consecutive league match to place themselves firmly among the League Two promotion-chasers.



First half goals from Rory McArdle and Will Buckley were sufficient to take the points at a rain-soaked Griffin Park, inflicting a first home defeat of the season on Brentford.

The Bees applied plenty of pressure once they had reduced the arrears, but Dale held firm to make a perfect start to the winter months.

The conditions in West London weren't conducive to good football. Rain and a gusty wind controlled the direction of the match, but Dale adjusted better and took the lead on 31 minutes.

Buckley won a corner on the left and Tom Kennedy's accurate centre was headed home by a towering McArdle header.

Nine minutes later the advantage was doubled when Buckley worked his way into the area and despite suspicions of handball, he was allowed to continue and score past Ben Hamer.

Five minutes after the break, on-loan striker Dean Bowditch got Brentford back into the contest with a diving header at the far post, but it didn't spur them on to get anything from the game.

Dale: Russell, Wiseman, Kennedy, Toner, Stanton, McArdle, Rundle (Thompson), Jones, Thorpe, Dagnall (Le Fondre), Buckley

Att: 4,291

Referee: Grant Hegley (Bishop's Stortford)

LUTON went down to a 3-0 defeat at Shrewsbury to worsen their position at the bottom of the Football League. They had started the campaign with a 30-point deduction, but were still on -14 points.



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When we were 10-years-old at primary school, we had to make a lecture about Manchester. Me and my friends chose Rochdale just because we were not able to pronounce that beautiful name (in the Netherlands we don't know that 'ch' sound). From that day on we follow and support Rochdale every single match.

We wish Rochdale all the best against Luton Town today and hopefully you guys are promoted to the Championship soon!

We will watch the match out of a VIP box, so it's possible to say hello by waving or singing a song with 'The Sjenkies' (the name of our group) in the lyrics.

**Kind regards,
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MAN OF THE MATCH AWARD

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BRENDAN MOORE receives the Man of the Match award from sponsors Friends Through Football following the Charlton Athletic game last Saturday.



WHAT DALE WORE

Dale's Centenary season was much anticipated, especially with the way Keith Hill's talented team had ended the previous campaign.

The club reverted to their original 1907 colours of black and white stripes, which led to record shirt sales by the following May after our inaugural visit to Wembley.

In total we played 53 games, with some strange kit combinations appearing along the way.

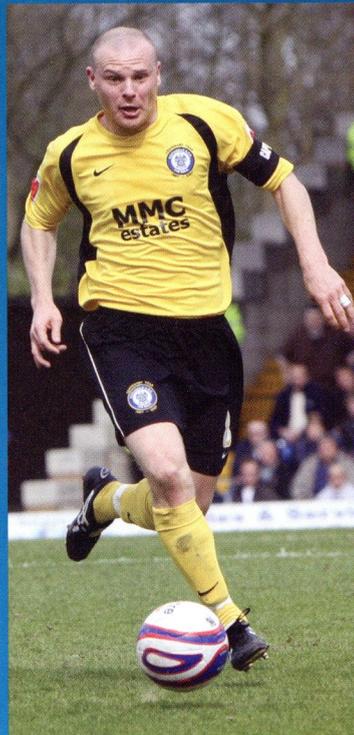
BLACK & WHITE STRIPED SHIRTS WHITE SHORTS BLACK SOCKS

It might have been a Nike template shirt, but the off-centre stripes and overall basic design was a real classic.

It always looked better with the proper white shorts and black socks of 100 years previously, as you don't see teams in stripes doing it that way round.

Its two most famous appearances actually saw different designs of shorts used; the victory on penalties against Darlington was followed by a one-off pair being used for our first trip to Wembley.

Kit Frequency
Home: 17 games
Away: 2 games
(including Wembley)



YELLOW SHIRTS BLACK SHORTS YELLOW SOCKS

As has often been the case down the years, our success on the road has usually been accompanied by the extensive use of a change kit.

This smart effort was no different and fantastic victories at the likes of red-clad Accrington and Rotherham before Christmas would illustrate its success.

The black panel on the shirt made the entire strip as it retained the focus towards that colour across the club's outfits.

Kit Frequency
Away: 12 games

BLACK & WHITE STRIPED SHIRTS BLACK SHORTS BLACK SOCKS

It might have looked more natural to utilise the away shorts with the home shirt, especially to avoid clashes, but when it happened for no reason it became a mystery which we've only seen added to as time has gone on.

It was one thing when it happened during a classic 4-3 win at Shrewsbury, but altering the Centenary kit at home games missed the point of its use a bit.

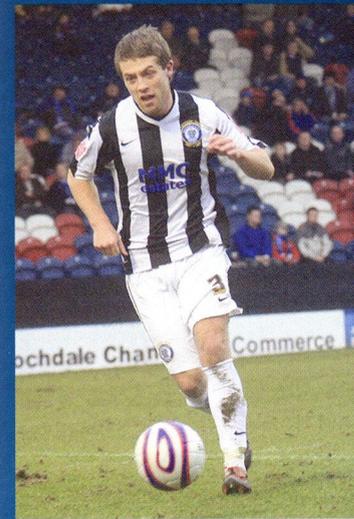
That's not to say it wasn't an ensemble which got results, because it most certainly did towards the end of the campaign.

One of these victories came against John Coleman's Accrington side who were wearing black socks, thus creating a clash which referees almost always frowned upon due to the difficulty in recognising who got the final touch/made a tackle.

Kit Frequency
Home: 1 game
Away: 8 games



IN... 2007/08



BLACK & WHITE STRIPED SHIRTS WHITE SHORTS WHITE SOCKS

It's rare a season goes by without the 'lucky white socks (TM)' turning up and here we have another instance.

The term 'lucky' can be debated, though it really did seem to be the only reason why they appeared three Saturdays running in February 2008.

A last-minute Adam Le Fondre goal at Valley Parade had clinched a 2-1 victory against a Bradford side who, while having black in their kit, were wearing claret socks, meaning we didn't actually have to use white.

Those three points had come after a triplet of defeats, so maybe it was understandable that we decided to employ them again for a home match against Wycombe seven days later.

The subsequent 1-0 defeat and another against Chesterfield at Spotland the following week ended any suggestions that white hose would bring continual positivity to performances.

Kit Frequency
Home: 2 games
Away: 1 game

YELLOW SHIRTS WHITE SHORTS YELLOW SOCKS

As we've alluded to, you'll often see teams in black and white stripes wearing black shorts so that would immediately throw up an issue with using our away kit.

To avoid clashes we didn't sort some alternative yellow shorts (as we would a year later), instead deciding to just go with the home versions and ending up with not the greatest looking strip.

That said, it was another outfit which was used in some memorable matches, including the first leg defeat at Darlington in the play-offs.

We also had the rare occurrence (well, maybe not so rare...) of Dale wearing their away shirts at home when Brentford arrived with their traditional red and white stripes.

Referee Michael Oliver, in the days before he was upsetting iconic Italian goalkeepers, saw an issue, which presumably he would if Sunderland played Newcastle too [Not a game he would referee being a Newcastle fan, but you get my drift] and we went with yellow/white/yellow as The Bees' black shorts meant we couldn't even use our change kit in its entirety.

Kit Frequency
Home: 1 game
Away: 8 games



WHITE SHIRTS WHITE SHORTS WHITE SOCKS

Dale weren't the only side celebrating a Centenary, as Barnet had reached three figures when it came to years spent at Underhill.

To recognise this, they also decided to use a kit from their past and the smart old gold and black stripes was very distinctive.

Immediately it threw up a problem for Dale, one they solved by digging the previous season's white away strip out of the kit cupboard for the 0-0 stalemate early in the season.

Kit Frequency
Away: 1 game

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Hi everybody for today's match against Luton Town. I hope you away fans have had a decent trip to Rochdale and enjoy our northern hospitality.

TODAY'S MASCOTS - NANCY & ENOLA DUFFY



Nancy, aged eight and Enola, aged ten, both attend Sacred Heart Primary School.

Their hobbies include swimming and football and both are keen Rochdale fans.

Nancy's favourite player is Harrison McGahey, whilst Enola's is Ian Henderson.

We all hope that the two girls have a great time at the Crown Oil Arena today.

BIRTHDAY TREAT - CHARLIE KERSHAW



Charlie, aged ten, is from Littleborough and plays for his local junior club, Littleborough Juniors FC.

He is bringing his mates today to the Crown Oil Arena for his party and is expecting a Dale win to celebrate his birthday.

Charlie loves football, dodge ball and mountain biking.

He is a season ticket holder at the Crown Oil Arena and his favourite player is Ian Henderson.

We hope the day goes well with three points in the bag for Dale.

OCTOBER HALF TERM FOOTBALL/ MULTI-SPORTS COURSES



We had a great turn out yet again over the holidays, with more than 80 boys and girls attending at the Soccer Factory and Wardle Academy.

Bradden Inman and Brendan Moore dashed down to the Soccer Factory after training on the Wednesday to meet attendees there and give them an insight into their careers, as well as signing autographs for the excited boys and girls.

Everyone received free tickets for today's match against Luton Town and a goodie bag and certificate of attendance.

We have arranged festive courses at the Soccer Factory taking place on 27th & 28th December and 2nd, 3rd & 4th January. Further details will be published in the next few programme notes.

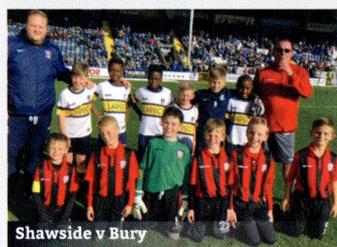
HALF-TIME CHALLENGE MATCH

Today we welcome Rochdale Tigers and Springfield Lightning Under-9s to the Crown Oil Arena to provide entertainment at half-time.

At the match against Portsmouth, we witnessed a classic encounter featuring Shawside and Bury Sports Trust, who like today, had been invited as part of the Trust's commitment to providing pathways for grassroots football in Rochdale and surrounding areas.



Rochdale Tigers



Shawside v Bury



METROLINK TOURNAMENT



Last Saturday you may have noticed a presentation at half-time with Matt Done handing out trophies to boys and girls teams.

This was the culmination of a tournament held in the morning at the Soccer Factory with Travel Safe working with local youths to help spread the message of supporting safe and secure transport systems, particularly round North Manchester, involving Oldham and Rochdale.

Helping us out on the day were Lucy Kennon and Chris Thorpe (Transport for Greater Manchester), PCSO Lindsay Owen and PCSO Rachel Curry (GMP), as well as Jamie Richardson (KeolisAmey Metrolink).

After the successful day out, Lucy said: "Today, saw Rochdale AFC host the first TravelSafe Partnership football tournament, bringing together youths from across Rochdale and Oldham, all of whom use public transport."

"The tournament was organised as part of the TravelSafe Partnership's programme of schools and community engagement to help tackle and understand the issues and root causes of anti-social behaviour on public transport."

"Three teams took part: 'The Girls', 'The Boys' and 'TravelSafe', with the boys team victorious and the girls team taking the runners-up spot!"

"After a packed lunch (kindly donated by Morrison's), Rochdale AFC hosted TravelSafe at the home match versus Charlton Athletic, during which a half-time presentation of the TravelSafe Trophy was made to the winning side."

For more information about any of the activities above please contact me on 07958 593121 or email keith.hicks@rochdaleafc.co.uk.

See you all again next Saturday when Gateshead visit the Crown Oil Arena in The Emirates FA Cup first round.

Keith Hicks

"A great day out was had by all and TravelSafe's sincerest thanks go to Rochdale AFC for all their support, logistics and hosting of the tournament."

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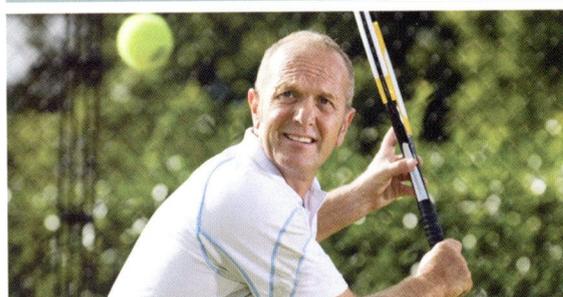
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1990

Dale defender Steve O'Shaughnessy scored at both ends in a 1-1 home draw with Darlington.

The Welshman gave Dale the lead just before the half-hour mark, only to lob his own goalkeeper, Keith Welch, on the stroke of half-time to level for The Quakers.

The two dropped points saw Darlington and Dale slip to fourth and fifth in the table respectively, as they were leap-frogged by Burnley and Northampton, who both picked-up wins.

1992

After winning at Chesterfield at the weekend, Dale made it six points on the road in the space of four days with victory at Torquay.

Goals in each half from Steve Whitehall and Shaun Reid gave Dale a 2-0 win at Plainmoor, a venue which has provided plenty of bad outcomes down the years.

The three points took Dale into the play-off positions ahead of a home meeting with sixth-placed Crewe on the following Saturday.

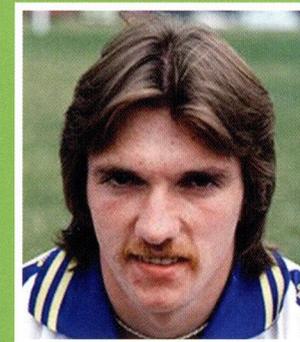
2001

Dale remained in second place in Division Three after a comfortable 2-0 home defeat of Torquay.

Kevin Townson scored at the start and end of the second half to clinch the three points that kept Steve Parkin's men just behind Plymouth in the table.

Unfortunately, Dale weren't Steve Parkin's men for much longer, as five days later the Dale boss and his assistant, Tony Ford, left the club for Barnsley.

BORN ON THIS DAY



Former Dale winger Carl Harris was born in Neath on this day in 1956.

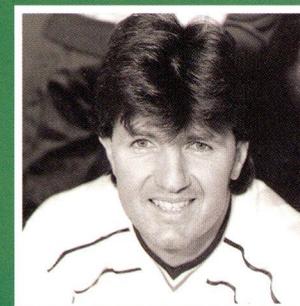
The former Welsh international, who earned 24 caps for his country, started out at Leeds in the 1974/75 season and progressed to make more than 170 appearances in their colours over the next seven years.

He left Elland Road in 1982 to join Charlton in a £100,000 move, but following his move to London, Harris struggled with injuries and was limited to 82 games in three seasons before he returned north to Bury.

After two years at Gigg Lane and time in Scotland with Airdrie, Carl was reunited with one of his Leeds managers, Eddie Gray, at Spotland.

He was with Dale for just short of a year, scoring three times in 28 appearances, before moving to Exeter as it allowed him to live closer to his South Wales home.

DALE DEBUTS

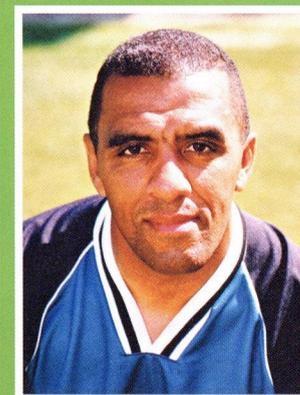


Three players have made their debuts for Rochdale on this day, including cultured midfielder John Seaman.

The Liverpoolian was brought on loan from Cardiff and first appeared in a 1-0 home loss to Swindon on 3rd November 1984.

Dale manager Vic Halom brought Seaman to Spotland on a permanent basis in the summer and over the next three seasons he added a further 105 appearances for the club.

DALE DEPARTURES



Six players have played their final game for Dale on 3rd November and, as mentioned in the column opposite, one of them was Tony Ford.

Aged 42 at the time, Ford was assistant to manager Steve Parkin and added a degree of composure and experience on the right flank that helped the team challenge at the right end of the table.

All told, Ford made 1,081 career appearances for a variety of clubs, the last of which helped Dale to a 2-0 defeat of Torquay on this day 17 years ago.



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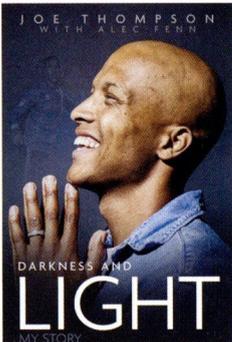
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Good afternoon and welcome to the Crown Oil Arena. The Club Shop is open until kick-off and then after the final whistle for all your Dale merchandise.



We are fast approaching winter and the cold snap has already begun. As mentioned in last month's retail focus, we have all items in stock, like hats, scarves and gloves. We also have a new blue and black bar scarf (pictured) in keeping with the current season's home shirt. These are priced £10.

Replica shirts are still going quickly, with the blue & black and pink shirts leading the way in terms of sales.



We have also taken a further delivery of Joe Thompson's autobiography - 'Darkness and Light' - which is a must-read for all Dale fans.

If you are coming for your shirt or any other products, don't forget to use your 10% discount voucher in the back of your season ticket book.

New lines coming in soon include Dale umbrellas and a new version of the popular Dale toy trucks.

We are pleased to reveal the all new Errea 'lifestyle' range (see panel) and the ladieswear we previously mentioned is now on sale in store.

We have full and quarter-zip casual tops in cotton and polyester, 1907 premium T-shirts, hoodies and also specific women's lines, which include tracksuit pants and a full zip cotton jacket. Prices are as follows:

- Jackets/Tops - £40
- 1907 T-shirt - £20
- Ladies tracksuit pants - £25

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ONLINE UPDATE

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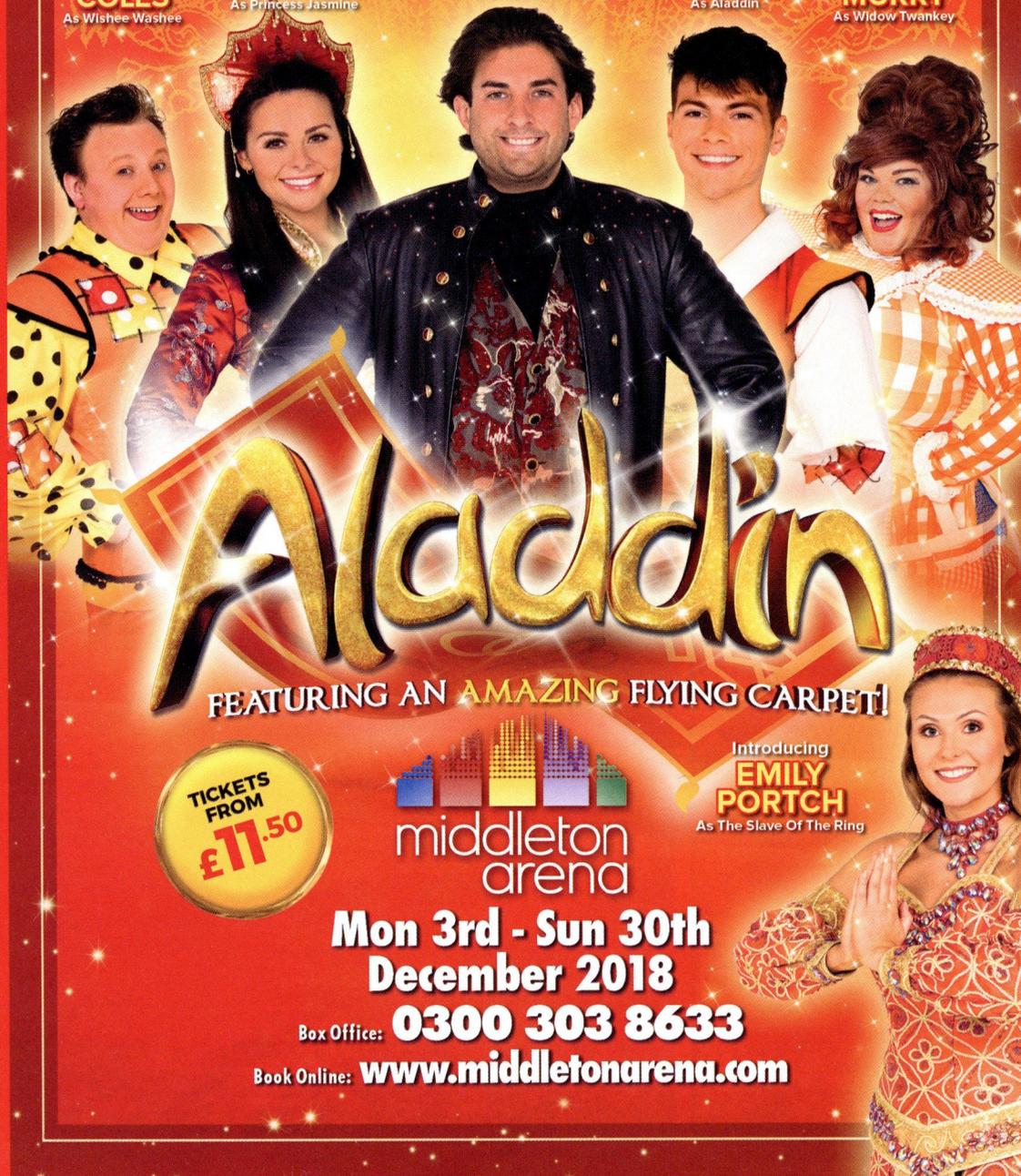
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From Rochdale take the M62, M60 (clockwise) and M56 following signs for North Wales. Leave the M56 at junction 10 and take the A49 towards Whitchurch. Continue along the A49 for over 40 miles until its junction with the A5 (s/p Shrewsbury).

Follow the A5 and at the next roundabout take the third exit onto the B4380 (Thieves Lane). Continue along Thieves Lane, going straight over two roundabouts, and this will lead you into Oteley Road. You will reach the stadium further down Oteley Road on the left.

BY RAIL

The journey from Manchester Piccadilly to Shrewsbury takes about

an hour-and-a-quarter, with trains departing at 31 minutes past the hour. Return trains leave Shrewsbury at just after ten-to-the-hour.

The train station is over two miles from the ground, so you would realistically need to take a taxi there and back, unless you fancy a couple of long walks!

BY COACH

The club have put on a coach to Montgomery Waters Meadow. It will leave the Crown Oil Arena at 11.15am. The fare is £15.

Seats can be booked in the Club Shop or by calling 0844 826 1907 (option 3).

WHERE TO PARK

There is a large car park at the stadium, holding almost 700 cars. However, this is for permit holders only.

Parking is prohibited in the nearby Retail Park and streets, so to find some street parking you may have to drive a bit further away.

Otherwise there is a car park at the Meole Brace Bowling Club, which offers parking at £5 per car and has a bar on site too. It can be found at Meole Rise (Off Upper Road, SY3 9JF).

THE AWAY END

Dale fans will be housed in the North Stand, which is to your right as you approach the ground through the main car park entrance.

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We currently have tickets on sale at the Crown Oil Arena and they will remain so until 3pm on Friday 16th November.

Supporters can also pay on the day at the ground when admission prices will remain the same, but be aware that it is cash only at the turnstiles and there are no cash machines in or near to the stadium.



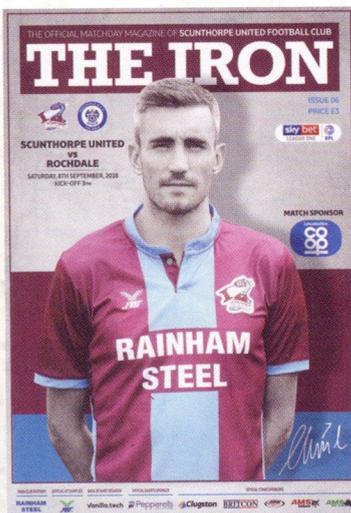
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- Dale are still unbeaten on the road in the league this season.
- Ollie Rathbone has scored four goals this season – all in Lincolnshire.
- Dale have now played 13 games without a win at Scunthorpe.
- This was Dale's first 3-3 away draw since an FA Cup tie at Luton in November 2009



FAMILIAR FOES

Dale had been through a positive week with wins over Coventry and Bury, but they would have to go against history if they were to end it in the same way.

Scunthorpe's Glanford Park has proved to be something of a bogey ground in the last 20 years, so much so that when Dale last won there, Andy Morris was our target

man and Dave Bayliss scored the game's only goal!

But maybe things are picking-up, as we have drawn twice (both 1-1) in our last three visits. Scunthorpe were also looking for their first home victory of the season, although their fans were probably rubbing their hands at who was coming next.

"WE DID SAY 12.30PM, DIDN'T WE?"

We had made arrangements for Scunthorpe on the way back from Coventry a week ago.

"There's not a lot to do there apart from the Old Farmhouse pub," said R17. "So, we'll leave at half-twelve and have a drink before the match."

On Friday evening, after Coronation Street had finished, I got a text from R17. 'We did say 12.30pm, didn't we?'

After his confusion over the departure time for Coventry, this was a step in the right direction.

It was the same threesome as for Coventry, with myself (The Captain) joining Dingle and R17, who was at the wheel.

Scunthorpe was a familiar trip for all of us, although Dingle had missed a few visits due to work and child commitments.

I went for walk round Hollingworth Lake in the morning and counted-up in my head how many times I had been there.

I got to 23 previous visits to Glanford Park, as well as three to their former Old Showground. I haven't checked, but I think Scunthorpe could be the town in which I've seen Dale play the most, outside of Rochdale.

It was a miserable day when we set-off and autumn is slowly creeping over the horizon, a bit like that farmhouse in the middle of the M62.

It felt strange travelling in such dark, wet conditions in early September with Test Match Special on the radio, but the sporting calendar is growing by the year and our two favourites codes are now overlapping each other more often.

C

Despite working 36 hours per day, R17 always manages to see 'The Chase' and he often regales us with a few questions.

Obviously, he's on top form when they ask something about football or kings – his specialist subjects – but he surprised Dingle and I when he announced, "I'm getting quite good at my carbons".

I wondered how many carbons there actually were as when I went to high school, there was only one on the periodic table and it had the atomic symbol, C.

Was there another carbon that was exclusive to chemistry lessons at R17's posh school? We needed to know, so pushed him further.

"What do you mean by carbons?"

Carbon



asked Dingle from the back of the car.

'Paul Carbon?' former Dale midfielder, went through my head, before R17 came out with, "Matt Carbon, ex-Lincoln."

It was a good call, but not really the answer to the question.

"Well, you know, if something is coloured black it contains carbon, like pencils," said R17. "And if it's graphite, it's grey, because that's got something to do with carbon as well."

'What about carbon dioxide?' I thought. 'Or carbon monoxide?'

"And if a word begins with 'verd', it's to do with green," continued R17. "They asked what it was called when copper gained a green tint, so I picked the one that started with 'verd'."

In case you're wondering, it's Verdigris.

"I thought of applying for The Chase," said R17. "But the application form was so long, so I gave it a miss. One of the questions was to say how my friends would describe me in ten words."

"We can answer that for you now," I said. "But I doubt it would get past the first stage!"

SCAREDY STEWARD

The motorways were kind to us and we arrived at The Old Farmhouse at around 1.45pm.

As we approached the car park, we were met by a steward demanding £3 to park there. R17 wasn't impressed.

"I've never had to pay to park on here before," he told the steward in an irate manner. "It's profiteering."

"We've been doing it for three years," came the reply. "But I don't do it for Tuesday games because I

don't like standing here in the car."

I thought for a moment before saying, "What about in August and April when it's light before the games?"

He didn't reply and I doubt he'll be applying for The Chase either.

TMS

Dingle and I were desperate, not for a drink, but for the loo, so we went into the pub.

R17 decided he was staying in his car to listen to the cricket on TMS, although he appeared after about 15 minutes as soon as England's innings against India had reached its conclusion.

All three of us then went to sit back in the car for ten minutes, before a gap in the rain saw R17 suggest we hot-foot it to the ground without getting wet.

It was a good idea and we were in situ behind the goal 15 minutes from kick-off.

PSYCHEDELIC FURS

I quite like Dale's pink third choice kit, mainly because it's unique and something we've never done before. However, the last place I expected to see it was at Glanford Park!

From a spectator's point of view, it just didn't contrast well enough with Scunthorpe's claret and light blue and it seemed a very odd decision to wear it.

It reminded me of when we wore purple at Chesterfield and Shrewsbury in 2009/10, even though we had another kit that would have worked just as well.

I hope we don't do it again and only change our kit when it's absolutely necessary; even then, it should be to

something that allows those watching to easily distinguish which team is which, especially in such a fast-paced game played in wet, murky conditions.

SIT DOWN!

I stood up throughout this match, not because Scunthorpe have got rid of their seats, but because this bloke in front of me refused to sit down.

I told him that if he wanted to stand, he should have come to the back row. His response was that I should have sat a few rows further forward.

Some people are just so ignorant. I believe this one was called Jack Imalright.

THRILLER!

You can usually guarantee goals when Dale play Scunthorpe and this game was no different.

I'm not going into the whys and wherefores of how Dale went 3-1 down, as it will be a few weeks before this article goes to print, but the last half-hour was one of the most enjoyable periods of football at one of our matches for a long time.

Dale literally battered Scunthorpe in that time and not only got the score back to 3-3, they created and missed several other chances that on another day would have won them the game.

BUOYANT CAR

It was a happy car that made its way back to Rochdale – and you can't say that about return trips from Scunthorpe very often!

Ollie Rathbone received special praise for his performance and goals, but I also thought Calvin Andrew was outstanding and that Sam Hart had an excellent second half.

Even the cricket continued the positivity as England took a few Indian wickets and with us arriving back at Chez R17 at around 6.20pm, it meant I would be home in time for the Channel 5 highlights.

On the other hand, I have now been to Scunthorpe United v Rochdale 27 times and seen us win on three occasions. We must be due next time...

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RADDY & DAVE

I've never in more than 40 years watching, attending, writing about and reading about football come across a happier manager than David Pleat on the last day of the 1982/83 season in the old First Division [now the Premier League]. A last-gasp goal by Raddy Antic had helped keep Pleat's Luton Town side in the top flight.

Given that they had needed to beat Manchester City at Maine Road on that final day to stay up [and at the same time, incredible as it may seem, relegate City], the near-impossible had been achieved. Pleat ran onto the pitch, pumping his fists and jumping in sheer, unbridled joy, like a boy who has just won a school final. He ran around the pitch, hugging his players, the fans, the officials and anyone else he came across.

There's a couple of minutes of footage on YouTube of the goal and the celebrations – it's worth checking out if you have never seen it, have forgotten it or just want to see it again. The sign behind the goal that Antic scores into for 'Farah' isn't anything to do with Mo by the way, it was a type of 80s slacks for men that were the height of fashion. John Motson is commentating and describes the win as "an amazing act of escapology". It certainly was.

So, who was David Pleat, or Raddy Antic for that matter? For me, Pleat is one of the great all-round names in soccer. He's been a player, a coach, a manager, a

director, a broadcaster [on both radio and television] and a journalist. He's worked at home and abroad.

His playing career lasted only nine years [from 1962 to 1971] and took in five clubs [Nottingham Forest, Luton, Shrewsbury Town, Exeter City and Peterborough United] for whom he made a combined 185 appearances, scoring 26 goals. He moved into coaching straight away, aged only 26, with Nuneaton Borough and joined the coaching staff at Luton from there, eventually becoming manager and bringing them up to the top flight in 1982.

Luton made the FA Cup semi-final in 1985 and peaked at ninth in the league in 1986, before Tottenham Hotspur stepped in for Pleat. He later had spells at Leicester City and a second spell at Luton [third, if you count his playing days there] which saw another FA Cup semi-final in 1994.

In recent years Pleat has worked for Al Jazeera Sport [he learned his media skills commentating on ITV and Radio 5 Live] as well as writing a highly-regarded regular column on football tactics in The Guardian.

As for Radomir 'Raddy' Antic, the Serbian's heroic antics at Maine Road came late in his career. He's actually almost as old as Pleat and came to Luton in 1980 after a playing career that had taken in some big clubs like Real Zaragoza and Fenerbahçe. He helped Luton

to promotion in 1981/82 and stayed on for two more seasons.

Antic was a fan of Pleat's coaching style and studied for his own coaching badges while still at Kenilworth Road. He went on to have a successful management and coaching career, mostly in Spain, where he was at the helm at Real Zaragoza, Real Oviedo, Real Madrid, Atletico Madrid, Celta Vigo and Barcelona. He also coached the Serbian national side for many years.

Just in case you think there's a mistake in the previous paragraph, yes Antic coached both Real Madrid and Barcelona. He's one of only two managers to have had both jobs and the only manager to have coached Real, Atletico and Barça!

He took over Barcelona in January 2003 with the club at a low ebb after a terrible first half of the 2002/03 season. He steadied the ship and moved Barça high enough up the table to ensure European football for 2003/04. His reward – to be sacked and replaced by Frank Rijkaard. Football can be cruel and kind, Raddy – just ask Dave.

Next week we take a break from League One as the FA Cup first round comes around again. Like ourselves, Luton secured a home draw, against Wycombe Wanderers. The magic of the FA Cup will mean Town fans will be dreaming of 1985 and 1994, just like Dale fans will be dreaming of a repeat of last year's heroics.

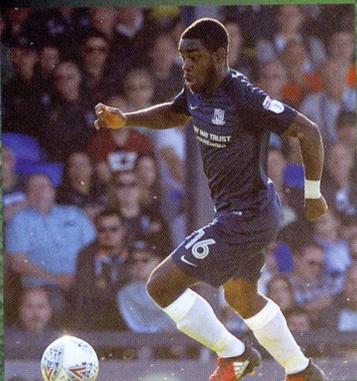


ONSIDE

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SOUTHEND STARLET ON RADAR OF BIGGER CLUBS



League One star Dru Yearwood could be set for a dream move to the Premier League in January, with Crystal Palace keen on signing the talented teenager.

The 18-year-old Southend midfielder (pictured) has been earning rave reviews for The Shrimpers and has already made 30 appearances for their first team.

His form has alerted a number of top-flight clubs, according to one Fleet Street newspaper, The Sun on Sunday, but it is Palace that have watched him the most and are lining-up a move when the transfer window opens in January.

The report claims that The Eagles are interested in the youngster after seeing his development monitored by current sporting director Dougie Freedman, who spent the last days of his playing career with Southend and has been keeping an eye on Yearwood since he first saw him in the club's youth system.

RANGER ON TRIAL, OXFORD MANAGER TO ACT AS JURY



Oxford United boss Karl Robinson has confirmed that he has taken striker Nile Ranger on trial at the club - allowing the 27-year-old free agent to train with his team as he gives him "2-3 weeks to prove himself."

The former Newcastle United youngster was sacked by Southend earlier in the year for 'recurring disciplinary issues' and has yet to find a club ever since.

However, Oxford, who currently occupy a relegation spot in League One, look set to give him a chance to prove himself once again.

Given Ranger has had his contract terminated by his last FIVE clubs, it's hard not to prejudge how all of this will pan out!

Ranger (pictured) was released from Pentonville Prison last August having served a sentence for bank fraud and it looked for a short while that he might be getting his career back on track with Southend last season.

This was despite him initially not being able to play games with an evening kick-off due to being on a 7pm curfew and being electronically tagged.

However, Ranger was sacked later in the season due to poor time-keeping.

WIN FLAGS UP HISTORIC RESULT



Last Saturday, Fleetwood Town enjoyed an historic 3-2 league win over neighbours Blackpool at their Highbury Stadium.

The match played out in-front of a bumper crowd of 5,035 supporters, Highbury's biggest attendance of the season, had all the ingredients of a feisty derby.

Fleetwood's first team coach was sent-off after pushing a Blackpool player in the technical area and Pool's Armand Gnanduillet was sent for an early bath after clashing with an opponent.

The win was Fleetwood's first-ever league victory over The Seaside and despite both teams playing in the same division, the victory must have had a feel of 'David slays Goliath' for home fans.

Just eight years ago, when Blackpool won promotion to the Premier League, Fleetwood were promoted to the top level of non-league football, four divisions below their local rivals.

Town manager Joey Barton was full of praise for the home fans, hailing them as his team's 12th man.

He felt his players fed off the atmosphere created, which in his view contributed to a two-goal lead after only 11 minutes of the match starting.

Barton specifically told assembled media how much he liked the giant flag (pictured) adding to the atmosphere. The flag was unveiled in the home end for the first time and is planned to be displayed before each home game just prior to kick-off.

It features a boat logo synonymous with local company 'Fisherman's Friend' and while the flag won't strike fear in the way they have at places like Galatasaray, it will no doubt add to the matchday experience for fans inside the stadium.

TODAY'S OTHER FIXTURES

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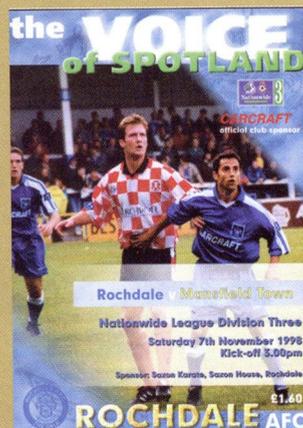
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Jason Peake scored Dale's winner against Mansfield with an excellent volley

November 1998 SIGN HIM! SOUZA RATHER THAN LATER

Rochdale 1 Mansfield Town 0
Division Three



Dale won for the fourth time in seven matches with a single-goal defeat of Mansfield at Spotland.

The victory took Graham Barrow's men up to 14th place in the table and only five points from the play-offs. They also had a game in hand on many of the teams above them.

Peterborough's Miquel De Souza, who was on loan at Spotland, was the star of the show for Dale and supporters had already made up their mind that the club needed to do everything possible to sign him on a permanent basis.

He was big, strong and skilful and caused countless problems for the Mansfield defence all afternoon.

In spite of this, Dale's winner came from one of their best midfield performers in Jason Peake.

Two minutes into the second half a throw-in was flicked-on by Mark Monington and Peake arrived to volley home from 12 yards.

Dale: Edwards, Williams, Sparrow, Hill, Monington, Johnson (Bayliss), Jones (Bayliss), Painter, De Souza, Bryson, Peake

Att: 2,142

Referee: Paul Danson (Leicester)

LUTON were beaten 3-1 at Stoke to lose their place in the top five of Division Two. Stuart Douglas scored a late goal for The Hatters, who also had Graham Alexander sent-off.

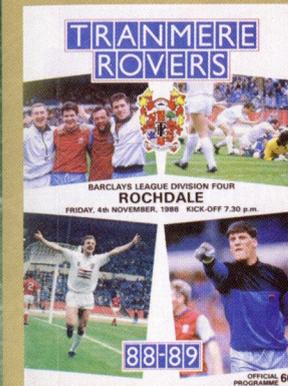


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November 1988

DALE MISSING EARLY SPARKLE

Tranmere Rovers 2 Rochdale 0
Division Four



Dale put on an inconsistent Friday night performance at Tranmere as they went down to their second defeat in three away games.

Rovers scored in each half to move within a point of Dale in Division Four's top seven and Danny Bergara's men needed to rediscover some of the sparkling football that had

characterised their form of a few weeks earlier.

Tranmere took the lead on 22 minutes through Eddie Bishop, brother of comedian John Bishop, who scored with a free header from a corner.

Fifteen minutes from time the home side secured the points when John Morrissey escaped the Dale defence and took Ian Muir's pass round Keith Welch, before sliding the ball home.

Dale: Welch, Copeland, Lomax, Smart, Sutton, Reid, Frain, Edmonds, Beaumont, Smith, Harris (Walling)

Att: 3,740

Referee: Pip Wright (Northwich)

LUTON played the following afternoon when a 3-1 defeat at Millwall left them in 16th place in Division One. Danny Wilson scored for The Hatters two minutes from time.

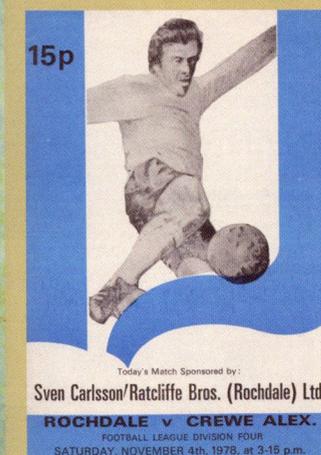
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November 1978

SPOT-ON BOB STEALS THE SHOW FOR DALE

Rochdale 2 Crewe Alexandra 1
Division Four

Dale moved five points clear of bottom club Halifax with only their second league win of the season.



Crewe had beaten Dale twice in the League Cup back in August, but the boys in blue came out on top with league points at stake to leave themselves within one victory of escaping the bottom four.

For most of the game it looked like the same story as most of that season's league fixtures. Peter Coyne gave

Crewe a 24th minute lead with a close-range effort and as the action entered its final seven minutes, it looked as though that would be the decider. That was when things turned in Dale's favour.

Bobby Scaife's shot appeared to have been tipped over the bar by the goalkeeper, but after consulting with his linesman, referee Terry Farley ruled outfield player Jimmy Robertson had punched the ball and pointed to the spot.

The drama still wasn't over; Bobby Hoy slammed his penalty against a post, but Mr Farley ordered a re-take for encroachment and Hoy made no mistake this time.

Dale seemed to have secured a point, but a minute from time they doubled their return when Dave Esser sent Hoy racing clear to tuck the ball under the 'keeper.

Dale: Felgate, Hallows, Snookes, Hart, Scott, Scaife, Owen, Hoy, Ashworth, Esser, Price (Hilditch)

Att: 1,352

Referee: Terry Farley (Newton Aycliffe)

LUTON slipped to 12th place in the Second Division after going down 1-0 to Leicester at Kenilworth Road.

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A VIEW FROM ROW F

Supporter John Rowe offers his opinion from the comfort of his Main Stand seat...

SAVING PROGRAMMES

Football programmes are, as we know, under threat. Clubs in the EFL no longer have to produce a paper-based matchday programme and I gather that our neighbours Bury FC are among those clubs considering stopping publishing theirs.

I understand the economics – not many programmes make much money and I imagine some are loss-makers. The trouble is I love football programmes. I always have. To see them die would to me represent another small part of our football culture and heritage disappearing.

On top of which, I'm lucky enough to be able to contribute some rambling thoughts to one and of course this programme, Rochdale AFC's, won the award for best produced League One programme last season.

I'm at an advanced age (like some of my friends on Row F and as we know a high percentage of Dale's current supporter base). I know that one of the dangers of my age is a tendency to nostalgia, to resisting change, to believing things were always better yesterday – and I recognise there may be some of that in this article.....

However, this argument really is about the here and now. Of course, in 2018 there are many other ways that clubs can and do communicate with their supporters: emails, websites, Twitter, Facebook, local papers, etc, etc. Yes, I have heard of these....

I also know only a relatively small percentage of fans regularly buy a programme. However, I think there is something quite special about a matchday publication and I hope at least here at Dale it remains a protected

species.

While I've never been a truly serious collector of football programmes (and there are many), when I was around the age of 8-16 I did amass a fair number - and it remains one of my life's saddest facts that when my parents retired and moved house, my programme collection disappeared without trace, along with my collected Football Monthlies and copies of the Sportsman's Book Club.

I don't suppose many of those programmes from the 1950s and 1960s (including an original for the 1966 World Cup Final) would now be hugely valuable, but it's the memories I've lost.....

I used to supplement my programmes from matches my dad had taken me to by writing away to clubs requesting, with my carefully prepared stamped addressed envelope, a copy of their next programme. They always obliged. I read an article about how to keep your programmes in pristine (and therefore most valuable) condition and followed its instructions to the letter.

In my first year at secondary school I remember we had to write an essay on our hobby (it was assumed we had at least one that was decent and reputable). No prizes for guessing what I wrote about. I remember Mr Cole made me read it out to the class – amid general astonishment and some mirth at what I had described.

In those days programmes were quite small, flimsy affairs, even with the top clubs, so when I bought one I would painstakingly remove the two metal staples which held the pages together (otherwise they would rust and ruin the

appearance!!) and then – prepare to laugh like my classmates – I would iron the pages flat.

Finally, so as not to spoil the paper by writing on it, I would put inside a note describing any changes from the printed teams, the result and the goalscorers. The programme was then ready for its shoebox. OK, I was only a child!

Of course, there was no such thing as a squad in those days – just 11 names and numbers printed on the centre-page. Also, vitally important in the programme was the alphabetical list of matches taking place elsewhere that Saturday – these corresponded with a couple of large information boards on the side of the pitch on which the half-time scores would be hung.

So 'G' might be Dale v Southport, with the score hung next to it. If you didn't buy the programme, these scores meant nothing.

So much for the nostalgia and I know things have changed – and for the better. No staples, no scoreboards, no guesswork teams.

But programmes remain as a record of the day. How do we remember the past? Often through music for sure - how many records/songs conjure up memories for you? - but football programmes can do the same.

I don't have a great collection these days (though I do save TVOS), but I can still dip into one and recall a magic away win, a promotion, an extraordinary goal, who I went to the game with.....

I still love programmes – please don't take them away!

ANORAK'S CORNER

Dale's 2-0 win at Bradford City a fortnight ago was statistically notable for a couple of reasons that may have slipped under the radar.

Firstly, it was the 200th league win achieved by Dale under Keith Hill's management, as well as his 100th away victory for the club in all competitions.

Let's take a look at how some of the other milestones on the path to those two centuries happened...

200 LEAGUE WINS

Keith's maiden game as Dale manager ended in a 2-1 defeat at MK Dons on Saturday 23rd December 2006, but a week later he picked-up his first win.

WIN 1

**Saturday 30th December 2006
ROCHDALE 4 BOSTON UNITED 0**

A grey, damp afternoon at Spotland was lit-up by a scintillating display in which Dale scored four without reply against a poor Boston side.

Gary Jones, Chris Dagnall, William Mocquet and Glenn Murray were the men on target, giving fans belief that we might be able to pull away from the League Two relegation zone without too much trouble.

WIN 50

**Saturday 14th February 2009
MACCLESFIELD TOWN 0
ROCHDALE 1**

Dale fans went home to their loved ones on Valentine's Day expressing affection for Tom Kennedy after this win at the Moss Rose.

'TK' converted from the spot on the stroke of half-time for the only goal of the game that kept Dale just outside the automatic promotion places in League Two.

WIN 100

**Saturday 9th March 2013
ROCHDALE 4
WYCOMBE WANDERERS 1**

Hill's return to the club wasn't having the immediate impact everyone had hoped, but there were signs things were turning around during this game against Wycombe.

Ian Henderson scored his first goal for the club, Michael Harriman headed past his own 'keeper' and even George Donnelly netted twice as Dale eased past The Chairboys.

WIN 150

**Saturday 29th August 2015
ROCHDALE 3 BARNSELY 0**

It's fitting that the century-and-a-half of league successes was earned against the club who had employed Hill in-between his two spells with Dale.

Goals from Calvin Andrew, Peter Vincenti and Ian Henderson sealed a comfortable 3-0 defeat of a Barnsley side who had been playing in the Championship only three months earlier.

WIN 200

**Saturday 20th October 2018
BRADFORD CITY 0
ROCHDALE 2**

It might have taken two penalties, but Dale's win at Valley Parade last month was deserved over the 90 minutes as a whole.

The double-century of victories took 470 matches to achieve, giving a league win-rate of 42.6%.

There were 114 home wins and 86 on the road, with the 600 points totalled in those victories being 83% of the points Dale have gained under Hill.

100 AWAY WINS

The manager's first away success as Dale manager came in only his second match away from Spotland, but it pre-empted a run to the century two weeks ago.

WIN 1

**Monday 1st January 2007
GRIMSBY TOWN 0 ROCHDALE 4**

Two days after the 4-0 thrashing of Boston, Dale repeated the trick against their Lincolnshire rivals at Blundell Park.

Former Mariner, Simon Ramsden, scored twice, with Adam Rundle and Glenn Murray completing the rout.

WIN 50

**Saturday 21st September 2013
ACCRINGTON STANLEY 1
ROCHDALE 2**

Matty Lund and Scott Hogan scored inside the first quarter-of-an-hour to put Dale in charge at Accrington, but they were made to fight hard for the points.

Kayode Odejayi pulled one back for Stanley and then Dale had George Donnelly sent-off, but they held on for a third consecutive win.

WIN 100

**Saturday 20th October 2018
BRADFORD CITY 0 ROCHDALE 2**

The 100 away wins took 272 matches to achieve, giving an away win-rate of 36.8%.

There were 86 league victories, six in the FA Cup, three in the EFL Cup and five in the EFL Trophy, under the latter two competitions' different guises.



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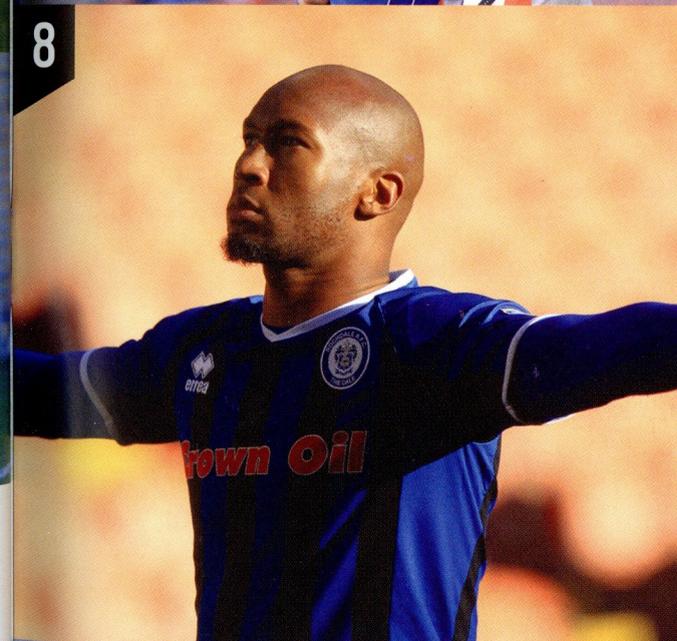
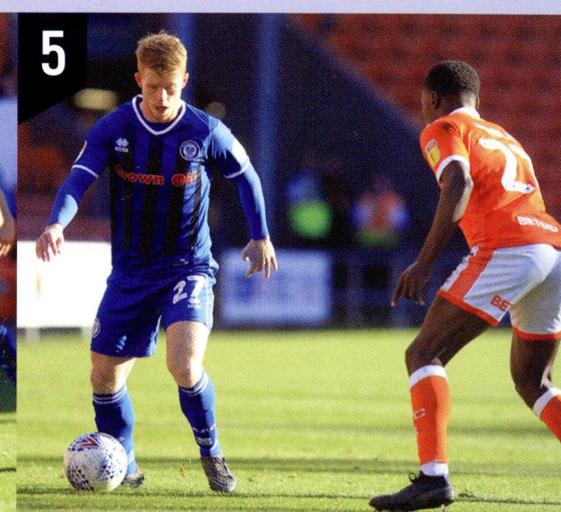
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MATCH POINTS

- Calvin Andrew scored his 11th Rochdale goal as a substitute
- It was the first headed goal scored by Dale this season
- Dale have won only one of their seven games at Bloomfield Road in league football
- Both teams scored inside the first 10 minutes – the last time this happened was in the 5-2 home loss to Sheffield United in April 2012

- SAM HART** and Liam Feeney challenge for possession
- Hair-raising stuff as **SAM HART** heads clear
- ZACH CLOUGH** goes to his knees after working his way across the edge of the penalty area
- RYAN DELANEY** gets to the ball before Callum Guy
- ANDY CANNON** takes on Marc Bola
- JORDAN WILLIAMS** is kept in check by Michael Nottingham
- CALVIN ANDREW** gets in where it hurts to head Dale's late equaliser
- CALVIN THE REDEEMER** celebrates scoring when he wanted!

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NEW FOUND FAN

Views from **STEVEN RITTEY**, a first-time Rochdale season ticket holder...

Every season there is at least one football kit that stands out against other clubs and the 'is it pink or is it purple?' third shirt is definitely in that category.

The design finished almost neck and neck in last season's 'Fan's Vote' competition competing against the clean looking white/blue striped away shirt. Both templates were put into production by current kit manufacturers, Errea, the Italian sportswear company based in Parma and incidentally the home of a football club with some of the most stand-out shirt designs from the 'Gazzetta Football Italia' era of the nineties.

The third shirt has been an unexpected hit for Rochdale fans and also on the pitch too, with several good results away from home played out in pink.

I did wonder whether a pink shirt would be a popular choice on the terraces as it is a divisive colour in football. Teams such as Real Madrid, Manchester United and Grimsby Town have donned pink shirts in recent seasons and Rochdale now reside in this club.

Interestingly, one of the most valuable shirts available on the superb classicfootballshirts.co.uk website is the salmon pink 1997/98 Juventus Kappa 'Centenary' shirt which currently retails for £250. The rapper Drake also popularised another of Juve's shirts by wearing their pink adidas/Jeep shirt on a recent European tour that now has iconic status in football fashion.

The third shirt is one of my personal favourites of the current season and I also like the asymmetric 3D pattern detailing that also sets the kit apart from other styles.

Sales in the Club Shop also prove that the design was a popular choice amongst supporters as several sizes of the pink shirt completely sold out on launch day.

After looking through the excellent Historical Kits website and Rochdale's long shirt history, I'd actually say that the current crop of Errea shirts is one of the best periods in terms of the club's kit design.

I'll look to add the 'pinky purple' shirt to my own personal collection this season as one of my passions is collecting football shirts. I own shirts from different clubs and teams around the world, ranging from the J-League in Japan to the Polish Ekstraklasa. I've always been interested in football shirt design and shirt sponsorship. My first ever full football strip was the Umbro-manufactured Tottenham Hotspur kit from 1991-93. Spurs won the FA Cup in this kit, German beer brand Holsten were the main sponsor and the overall design was co-ordinated, clean and crisp. I wasn't a fan of the team, though. I just liked the kit!

This shirt led onto the makings of a collection with various English, European and International shirts entering my wardrobe over the years. Since then, my personal shirt collection has grown to such an extent that during the 2018 World Cup in Russia, I could wear a shirt linked to every fixture in the tournament all the way through to the Final and all of the current Champions League groups!

As with collecting anything, there needs to be rules to avoid things getting out of control.

My self-imposed guidelines are simple. The shirt has to fit, be worn and not just be kept in the wardrobe. I'll also very rarely pay more than a tenner for a retro shirt and look to add to my collection by seeking out unusual shirts in vintage sales, flea markets, eBay searches and at car boot sales. I'll also try to avoid popular shirts where possible and anything recent from the top four team in the Premier League.

I'll happily trawl through the racks to find a gem and although I am not too fussed about match-worn shirts, I've found several in the past, including a Turkey shirt worn by Besiktas player Gokhan Gonul in a Euro 2012 Qualifier against Germany.

I also never buy a fake or the type of replica shirt commonly found in a shop on a Mediterranean beach resort!

Ultimately, the shirt has to be from a key footballing era, a significant place where I have been or have a uniqueness to the design or sponsor.

My favourite shirt in my extensive collection is a Gamba Osaka match-worn shirt from Japan with club sponsors and owners - Panasonic - on the front. I couldn't believe my luck when I paid just £5 for this genuine treasure of a shirt at a vintage sale in Manchester.

I was also quite pleased to have recently picked-up an Uhlsport Rochdale 2000/02 'Carcraft' sponsored kit from up the road in Bacup that I have worn to Spotland several times this season.

I also think that having a local connection to a football club is important and can 'complete' a shirt. A good example in Rochdale's case was the 2012/13 Fila 'Co-Operative' shirt.

Today's opponents, Luton Town, have a unique shirt history as they have had a series of large, multi-national sponsors over the years.

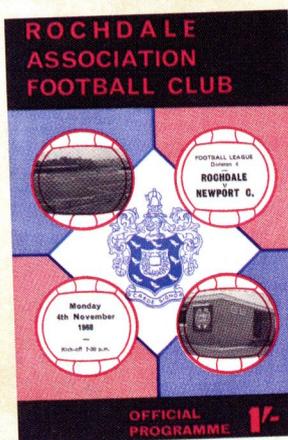
Companies such as easyJet, Vauxhall Motors, Ssangyong Motors and Electrolux all have an office or manufacturing hub in the town and their brand has been featured on the front of the Luton shirt. The club in 2014 also changed their home strip back to an orange hue from the 1970s that is co-incidentally very similar to easyJet's iconic orange colour.

GOLDEN YEARS...

This season marks the 50th anniversary of Rochdale AFC's first promotion campaign of 1968/69.

To celebrate that achievement, we are taking a walk through that season, featuring all the matches, players and management who made history for the club, as well as looking at what else was happening in the footballing and wider worlds...

MONDAY 4TH NOVEMBER 1968 ROCHDALE 0 NEWPORT COUNTY 1 FOOTBALL LEAGUE DIVISION FOUR



On the first Saturday in November, the majority of 2,795 supporters hopped out of Spotland having seen their Rochdale team thrash Bradford Park Avenue 6-0.

It was Dale's second 6-0 win of the season, both coming against sides from Bradford. Unfortunately, there weren't any other Bradfordian clubs in Division Four, so Dale had to hope they could continue their

good fortune against a team from the Valleys in the shape of Newport County.

The Ironsides were due at Spotland around 51 hours after the conclusion of the Park Avenue match, as Dale were one of the many sides to host midweek home games on Monday nights.

There were actually 11 league fixtures that night, although the appearance of Guy Fawkes the following evening probably made some clubs move their matches to avoid clashing with local bonfires!

Now while Dale had won their last two games, their most recent defeat was at home to another Welsh outfit, Swansea Town, just a couple of weeks earlier. Pessimists and Welsh footballing gods noticed this link, yet the six-goal spree on Saturday afternoon enticed 1,500 extra spectators to Spotland to see if Dale could produce another scintillating display.

Unfortunately, after the glory of the Bradford game, this was a dreadfully disappointing encounter against limited opposition.

Dale dominated proceedings, but showed little thought or imagination when they got close to goal, resulting in a dearth of chances.

It was, therefore, no surprise when Newport stole the

points with an 83rd minute effort from Len Hill, whose low shot from 20-yards swerved in at the far post.

Dale: Harker, Radcliffe, Ryder, Smith, Parry, Ashworth, Whitehead, Melledeew, Melling (Jenkins), Rudd, Butler

Att: 4,223

Referee: Dennis Corbett (Wolverhampton)

NORMAN WHITEHEAD



The seventh Dale debutant on the opening day of 1968/69, Norman had only turned professional at Southport during the previous season.

He soon became an automatic choice on the right-wing as Dale stormed to promotion and although not a prolific goalscorer himself, was provider-in-chief for Reg Jenkins, Steve Melledeew, Terry Melling and, later, Tony Buck in the middle.

A star performer up in Division Three (and voted the Supporters' Player of the Year in 1970/71), Manchester City's Malcolm Allison reputedly made a "name your own price" bid to get the tricky winger to Maine Road.

However, with Dale in a relegation battle at the time, this was turned down and when Norman did leave in March 1972, it was in an exchange deal for Rotherham's Lee Brogden plus cash.

A broken ankle restricted his time at Millmoor and despite further moves and another promotion while with Chester, he was back playing non-league football when he was 28 and worked for the Mersey Ferry Company.

1968/69 record
League games: 42
League goals: 2



SATURDAY 9TH NOVEMBER 1968 ALDERSHOT 0 ROCHDALE 0 FOOTBALL LEAGUE DIVISION FOUR

Dropping two points at home to mid-table opposition in midweek wasn't the best way to prepare for a trip to take on second places Aldershot.

The Shots had won ten of their 17 games – the highest total in Division Four – but they too had suffered the Monday night blues with a 2-1 defeat at lowly York.

Dale manager Len Richley showed a ruthless streak by announcing his team the day before the game, although the news that he had dropped striker Terry Melling was no real surprise.

Melling had scored just one goal since joining Dale two months earlier, but Mr Richley decided to go with the more experienced Reg Jenkins instead.

His bold decision didn't pay off at the offensive end of the field, but Dale were much improved defensively and picked-up a hard-fought and deserved point at the Recreation Ground.

Dale were equal to their loftier opponents for the majority of the match, apart from the opening 20 minutes of the second half when goalkeeper Chris Harker gave an inspired display to repel everything the home side threw at him.

Dale: Harker, Radcliffe, Ryder, Leech, Parry, Smith, Whitehead, Melledeew, Jenkins, Rudd, Butler

Att: 5,185

Referee: Reg Spittle (Great Yarmouth)

LEAGUE TABLE (Top 10)

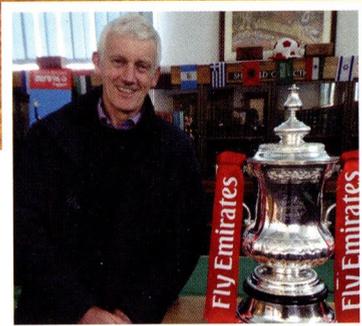
		Pld	Pts
1	Darlington	18	26
2	Aldershot	18	24
3	Chester	18	22
4	Lincoln	19	22
5	Doncaster	18	21
6	Southend	18	20
7	Bradford C	17	20
8	Workington	18	20
9	Colchester	18	20
10	ROCHDALE	18	19

WHAT ELSE WAS HAPPENING?

- A Police Inspector told Rochdale magistrates that they had to put plain clothes officers in the crowd to prevent further disturbances at Spotland.
- The Government slashed Rochdale Council's spending on schools from £350,000 per year to £100,000.
- A Rochdale shopkeeper was fined £40 for selling re-heated meat pies
- 'The Val Doonican Show' (pictured) topped the Saturday evening entertainment on BBC1, while Granada showed 'Come Blow Your Horn'.
- Mary Hopkin was eventually dethroned at the top of the charts. Joe Cocker took over with Lennon and McCartney's 'With a Little Help From My Friends'.



GOLDEN YEARS...



Ian Goodwin, a Rochdale supporter since the 1960s, provides his own reflections on the 1968/69 season.

The early November league results brought the customary joys and sorrows.

A 6-0 home victory over Bradford Park Avenue on 2nd November was followed two days later with defeat at Spotland against Newport County by a solitary goal. The FA Cup draw provided a welcome distraction from the league's frustrations and it pitched Dale against Barnsley.

I have always liked the FA Cup. My earliest memories of watching football on TV were of FA Cup finals at Grandma's. I had two younger brothers and so escaped to nearby Grandma's to watch the cup finals of the early 1960s. She always turned the TV volume off and put the radio commentary on. She knew radio had the better pictures.

Once the draw for the first round of the cup was made, I extracted the annual promise from Dad that if Dale got to Wembley, we could go. I decided the road to Wembley started at Barnsley so suggested to friends that we head for Oakwell. There were, however, competing demands.

'Barbarella' was showing at the Regal and when one reviewer wrote that the film was 'a sick, heavy-handed fantasy with nudity and graphic representations of sadism', my hormonally-charged friends needed little encouragement. They tried to persuade me to go, but it was X-rated and I suspect I would not have got in.

I made that trip to Oakwell on my own, courtesy of Ellen Smith. The Wembley dream survived with a creditable 0-0 draw, but perished in a 0-1 defeat in the replay.

Last week I stood by the FA Cup with strict instructions from minders not to touch it. "So, I can't kiss it then?" I asked, as I requested a photo.

My adopted city was hosting an exhibition to make more of Sheffield's status as the home of football. There is plenty of evidence. Sheffield FC is the oldest club in the world and in my part of Sheffield, Hallam FC is the oldest football ground. The oldest derby in 1860 saw the two teams meet.

The Sheffield Rules, drafted in 1858, were also on display and they were hugely influential in the evolution of the modern game. Rule 6 emphasised the divergence from rugby, 'Holding the ball, excepting in case of a free-kick is altogether disallowed.'

The FA drew heavily on the Sheffield Rules when it drew up a universal set of rules for football in 1862 and Sheffield lays claim to innovations like the corner kick, the crossbar and the halfway line kick off.

The 1867 Youdan Cup, (still competed for in South Yorkshire) stated that the match should last one hour and a half and also introduced the concept of the golden goal. There really is nothing new under the sun.

In my years watching the Dale I have witnessed the FA Cup's ups and downs. More downs than ups, of course, but I had already accepted my fate in 1965.

When non-league Altrincham dumped us out of the cup, I burned a copy of the match programme and placed the remains in a cardboard coffin.

My high spot of cup matches over the years? Without a doubt, Steven Davies' equaliser against Spurs last season.

Much has changed since 1968/69, but the cup retains its magic for me, so let's enjoy the interlude of Gateshead next week.

And 50 years on, I've still not seen Barbarella!



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LEAGUE ONE TABLE 2018/19



POS	NAME	P	W	D	L	F	A	GD	PTS
1	PORTSMOUTH	16	10	5	1	27	14	13	35
2	PETERBOROUGH	16	10	3	3	33	21	12	33
3	SUNDERLAND	15	9	5	1	30	13	17	32
4	BARNLEY	15	8	4	3	28	14	14	28
5	LUTON	16	8	4	4	27	19	8	28
6	ACCRINGTON	16	7	6	3	20	18	2	27
7	COVENTRY	16	8	3	5	19	17	2	27
8	DONCASTER	16	7	4	5	25	22	3	25
9	WALSALL	15	7	4	4	18	19	-1	25
10	FLEETWOOD	16	6	5	5	24	16	8	23
11	SOUTHEND	16	7	2	7	21	21	0	23
12	BLACKPOOL	14	5	7	2	17	12	5	22
13	CHARLTON	15	6	4	5	22	20	2	22
14	ROCHDALE	16	5	4	7	22	31	-9	19
15	WYCOMBE	16	4	6	6	22	24	-2	18
16	BURTON A	15	5	3	7	19	21	-2	18
17	SCUNTHORPE	16	4	5	7	23	34	-11	17
18	GILLINGHAM	15	4	3	8	23	28	-5	15
19	SHREWSBURY	16	3	6	7	14	19	-5	15
20	BRISTOL ROVERS	16	3	5	8	11	14	-3	14
21	OXFORD UTD	16	3	5	8	17	24	-7	14
22	PLYMOUTH	16	3	4	9	18	27	-9	13
23	WIMBLEDON	16	3	2	11	10	24	-14	11
24	BRADFORD CITY	16	3	1	12	12	30	-18	10

Ian Henderson is now the leading scorer in League One after his goal against Charlton last Saturday



LEAGUE ONE STATISTICS 2018/19



BEST HOME WIN

4-0, Barnsley v Oxford U, 4/8/18
4-0, Gillingham v Bradford C, 27/10/18

BEST AWAY WIN

5-0, Fleetwood T at Scunthorpe U, 22/8/18

HIGHEST AGGREGATE

8 goals
5-3, Scunthorpe U v Charlton A, 2/10/18

MOST GOALS IN A MATCH

3 goals
Kieffer Moore (Barnsley) at Rochdale, 21/8/18
Ian Henderson (Rochdale) v Gillingham, 15/9/18
Danny Hylton (Luton T) v Accrington S, 23/10/18

LEADING SCORERS [ALL COMPETITIONS]

10 - Ian Henderson (Rochdale)
9 - Tom Eaves (Gillingham)
9 - Matt Godden (Peterborough U)
9 - Josh Maja (Sunderland)
9 - John Marquis (Doncaster R)

HIGHEST ATTENDANCES

32,193, Sunderland v Oxford U, 1/9/18
31,075, Sunderland v Charlton A, 4/8/18
30,894, Sunderland v Southend U, 27/10/18

LOWEST ATTENDANCES

1,732, Accrington S v AFC Wimbledon, 22/9/18
1,943, Accrington S v Burton A, 8/9/18
2,059, Accrington S v Scunthorpe U, 1/9/18

LEAGUE ONE ATTENDANCES 2018/19



TEAM	HIGHEST	LOWEST	AVERAGE
ACCRINGTON	3558	1732	2429
AFC WIMBLEDON	4848	3630	4232
BARNLEY	12820	10717	11671
BLACKPOOL	4393	2769	3652
BRADFORD	19487	11075	15989
BRISTOL R	9073	7184	8347
BURTON	4566	2149	3152
CHARLTON	12416	8810	10415
COVENTRY	16407	9879	11845
DONCASTER	11881	6846	7914
FLEETWOOD	5035	2304	3448
GILLINGHAM	8438	4399	5424
LUTON	10059	8454	9021
OXFORD	8697	5748	6858
PETERBOROUGH	10472	5347	7178
PLYMOUTH	9886	8190	8878
PORTSMOUTH	19018	17634	18334
ROCHDALE	4359	2301	3358
SCUNTHORPE	5579	3341	4059
SHREWSBURY	9007	4353	6112
SOUTHEND	7923	5603	6710
SUNDERLAND	32193	28727	30128
WALSALL	5755	4257	4643
WYCOMBE	6879	3997	4969



ROCHDALE AFC 2018/19 FIXTURES & RESULTS



KEY

HOME GAMES BOLD CAPITALS TIME OF SUBSTITUTION [45] PLAYER BOOKED ■ PLAYER SENT OFF ■ GOALS SCORED EG **ANDREW 2** (P) = PENALTY

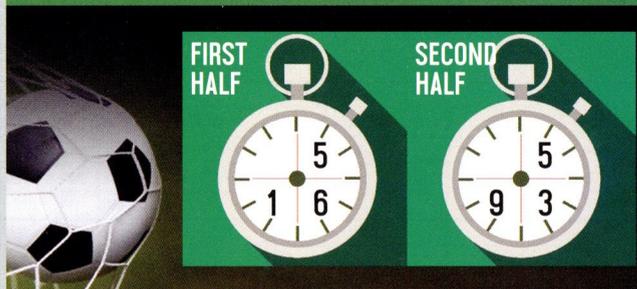
DATE	OPPOSITION	RES	PTS	POS	ATT	AWAY	STARTING PLAYERS					SUBSTITUTES												
Sat 4 Aug	Burton Albion	W 2-1	3	5	2987	656	Lillis	Rafferty	Done	MJ Williams	McGahey	McNulty	Camps (73)	Perkins	Wilbraham (78)	Henderson	INMAN 2 (64)	Thompson (64)	Delaney (73)	Andrew (78)	Rathbone	Cannon	Ntlhe	Moore
Sat 11 Aug	PETERBOROUGH UNITED	L 1-4	3	14	3693	565	Lillis	Rafferty (49)	Done (77)	MJ Williams	McGahey (66)	Delaney	Camps	Perkins	Wilbraham	HENDERSON (P)	Inman	Andrew (49)	Cannon (66)	Ntlhe (77)	McNulty	Rathbone	Adshead	Moore
Tue 14 Aug	Grimsby Town (CC1)	W 2-0	-	-	1781	148	Lillis	Rafferty	Ntlhe	McGahey	McNulty (90)	Delaney	Cannon (70)	Perkins	Andrew (70)	Henderson	RATHBONE 2	Done (70)	Wilbraham (70)	Camps (90)	Inman	J Williams	Adshead	Moore
Sat 18 Aug	Fleetwood Town	D 2-2	4	15	3565	704	Lillis	Rafferty (51)	Ntlhe	McGahey	McNulty	Delaney	Rathbone (67)	Perkins	Wilbraham	HENDERSON 2 (1P)	Inman (42)	Camps (42)	Done (51)	Andrew (67)	MJ Williams	Cannon	Adshead	Norman
Tue 21 Aug	BARNSELEY	L 0-4	4	18	4359	1703	Lillis (61)	Cannon (80)	Ntlhe	McGahey	McNulty (45)	Delaney	MJ Williams	Perkins	Andrew	Henderson	Done	Rafferty (45)	J Williams (80)	Wilbraham	Inman	Rathbone	Camps	Norman (61)
Sat 25 Aug	WALSALL	L 1-2	4	19	3080	566	Norman	Rafferty	Done (85)	MJ Williams	McGahey	McNulty	CAMPS	Perkins (68)	Wilbraham	Henderson	Rathbone (55)	Andrew (55)	Inman (68)	Ntlhe (85)	Delaney	Cannon	Randall	Moore
Tue 28 Aug	Middlesbrough (CC2)	L 1-2	-	-	10344	271	Norman	Randall (57)	Ntlhe	MJ Williams	McGahey	DELANEY	Camps	Cannon	Andrew	Henderson (74)	Inman (62)	Rafferty (57)	Dooley (62)	Gillam (74)	Rathbone	J Williams	Adshead	Moore
Sat 1 Sep	Coventry City	W 1-0	7	14	9879	303	Norman (87)	Rafferty	Done	MJ Williams (60)	McGahey	Delaney	Camps	Cannon (80)	ANDREW	Henderson	Dooley	Perkins (60)	Rathbone (80)	Wilbraham	McNulty	Clough	Gillam	Moore (87)
Tue 4 Sep	BURY (CT1)	W 2-1	-	-	1582	359	Norman	Randall (13)	Done	Adshead (79)	McGahey	McNulty	Morley	Rathbone	GILLAM	CLOUGH	J Williams (68)	Matheson (13)	Inman (68)	Hoti (79)	Ntlhe	Finnerty	Tavares	Moore
Sat 8 Sep	Scunthorpe United	D 3-3	8	13	3898	325	Norman	Rafferty	Hart	Camps	McGahey	McNulty	Cannon (58)	RATHBONE 2	Andrew	Henderson	Clough (32)	GILLAM (32)	Wilbraham (58)	Done	Perkins	Ntlhe	Matheson	Moore
Sat 15 Sep	GILLINGHAM	W 3-0	11	13	2925	194	Lillis	Rafferty	Hart	Camps	McGahey	Delaney	Rathbone	Gillam (90)	Wilbraham	HENDERSON 3 (89)	Andrew (77)	J Williams (77)	Done (89)	Adshead (90)	McNulty	Perkins	Matheson	Moore
Sat 22 Sep	Sunderland	L 1-4	11	14	28764	1252	Lillis	Rafferty	Hart	Camps	McGahey	Delaney	Rathbone (63)	Gillam (54)	Wilbraham (63)	Henderson	Andrew	J Williams (54)	Adshead (63)	DONE (63)	McNulty	Perkins	Matheson	Moore
Sat 29 Sep	PORTSMOUTH	L 1-3	11	17	3796	966	Lillis	Rafferty	Hart (45)	Perkins	McNulty	Delaney	Rathbone	Camps (77)	WILBRAHAM	Henderson	J Williams (50)	Cannon (45)	Andrew (50)	Clough (77)	MJ Williams	Gillam	Morley	Norman
Tue 2 Oct	BRISTOL ROVERS	D 0-0	12	15	2301	198	Norman	Rafferty	Hart	MJ Williams	McGahey	McNulty (45)	Rathbone	Perkins	Gillam (21)	Henderson	Inman (76)	J Williams (21)	Cannon (76)	Delaney	Andrew	Clough	Morley	Lillis (45)
Sat 6 Oct	Blackpool	D 2-2	13	15	3520	840	Lillis	Rafferty	Hart	MJ Williams (69)	McGahey	DELANEY	Rathbone (82)	Perkins	Clough (65)	Henderson	Inman	J Williams (65)	Cannon (69)	ANDREW (82)	McNulty	Done	Morley	Moore
Tue 9 Oct	Fleetwood Town (CT1)	W 2-0	-	-	669	112	Moore	Matheson	Hart (55)	Adshead (45)	McGahey	Ntlhe	Dooley	Morley	J WILLIAMS	CANNON	Done	Rafferty (45)	Clough (55)	Rathbone	MJ Williams	Hamzat	Yonsian	Lillis
Sat 13 Oct	DONCASTER ROVERS	L 2-3	13	16	3600	754	Lillis	Rafferty	Hart (57)	MJ Williams (71)	McGahey	NTLHE	Rathbone	Perkins (57)	Clough	HENDERSON (P)	Inman	Cannon (57)	Andrew (57)	Dooley (71)	McNulty	J Williams	Morley	Moore
Sat 20 Oct	Bradford City	W 2-0	16	16	15875	657	Moore	Rafferty	Ntlhe	Camps	McGahey	Delaney	Dooley	Rathbone (78)	J Williams (87)	HENDERSON 2 (2P)	Done	Wilbraham (78)	MJ Williams (87)	Inman	Clough	Cannon	McNulty	Lillis
Tue 23 Oct	Wycombe Wanderers	L 0-3	16	17	3997	193	Moore	Rafferty	Ntlhe (41)	MJ Williams (54)	McGahey	Delaney	Dooley	Camps	J Williams (68)	Henderson	Done	Cannon (41)	Wilbraham (54)	Inman (68)	Rathbone	Clough	McNulty	Lillis
Sat 27 Oct	CHARLTON ATHLETIC	W 1-0	19	14	3109	483	Moore	Rafferty	Hart	Camps	McGahey	Delaney	Dooley	Rathbone (67)	J Williams (67)	HENDERSON	Inman (90)	Andrew (67)	Perkins (67)	Cannon (90)	MJ Williams	Done	Clough	Lillis
Sat 3 Nov	LUTON TOWN	H	3.00																					
Wed 7 Nov	LEICESTER CITY U21 (CT1)	H	7.45																					
Sat 10 Nov	GATESHEAD (FAC1)	H	3.00																					
Sat 17 Nov	Shrewsbury Town	A	3.00																					
Sat 24 Nov	ACCRINGTON STANLEY	H	3.00																					
Tue 27 Nov	Oxford United	A	7.45																					
Sat 1 Dec	FA Cup 2																							
Sat 8 Dec	AFC Wimbledon	A	3.00																					
Sat 15 Dec	PLYMOUTH ARGYLE	H	3.00																					
Sat 22 Dec	Southend United	A	3.00																					
Wed 26 Dec	BLACKPOOL	H	3.00																					
Sat 29 Dec	BRADFORD CITY	H	3.00																					
Tue 1 Jan	Doncaster Rovers	A	3.00																					
Sat 5 Jan	BURTON ALBION	H	3.00																					
Sat 12 Jan	Peterborough United	A	3.00																					
Sat 19 Jan	FLEETWOOD TOWN	H	3.00																					
Sat 26 Jan	Barnsley	A	3.00																					
Sat 2 Feb	Walsall	A	3.00																					
Sat 9 Feb	COVENTRY CITY	H	3.00																					
Sat 16 Feb	AFC WIMBLEDON	H	3.00																					
Sat 23 Feb	Plymouth Argyle	A	3.00																					
Sat 2 Mar	Luton Town	A	3.00																					
Sat 9 Mar	SHREWSBURY TOWN	H	3.00																					
Tue 12 Mar	OXFORD UNITED	H	7.45																					
Sat 16 Mar	Accrington Stanley	A	3.00																					
Sat 23 Mar	SCUNTHORPE UNITED	H	3.00																					
Sat 30 Mar	Gillingham	A	3.00																					
Sat 6 Apr	SUNDERLAND	H	3.00																					
Sat 13 Apr	Portsmouth	A	3.00																					
Fri 19 Apr	WYCOMBE WANDERERS	H	3.00																					
Mon 22 Apr	Bristol Rovers	A	3.00																					
Sat 27 Apr	SOUTHEND UNITED	H	3.00																					
Sat 4 May	Charlton Athletic	A	5.30																					

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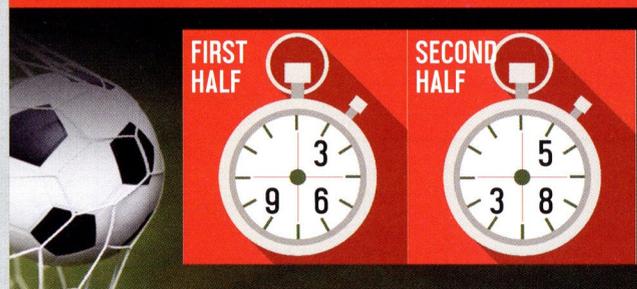
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PLAYER	18/19 LEAGUE		18/19 OTHER		DALE CAREER LEAGUE		DALE CAREER OTHER		DALE CAREER TOTAL		OVERALL CAREER TOTAL	
	APPS	GOALS	APPS	GOALS	APPS	GOALS	APPS	GOALS	APPS	GOALS	APPS	GOALS
Adshead	(2)	-	2	-	3	-	10	-	13	-	13	-
Andrew	5(8)	2	2	-	145	23	29	3	174	26	404	43
Camps	11(1)	1	1(1)	-	144	17	28	3	172	20	172	20
Cannon	3(7)	-	3	1	99	4	26	2	125	6	125	6
Clough	3(1)	-	1(1)	1	4	-	2	1	6	1	114	28
Delaney	11(1)	1	2	1	30	3	6	1	36	4	36	4
Done	7(3)	1	2(1)	-	150	22	30	7	180	29	452	54
Dooley	4(1)	-	1(1)	-	5	-	2	-	7	-	7	-
Finnerty	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Gillam	3(1)	1	1(1)	1	12	2	7	3	19	5	19	5
Hart	8	-	1	-	11	-	1	-	12	-	35	1
Henderson	16	10	2	-	237	87	36	12	273	99	552	133
Hoti	-	-	(1)	-	-	-	1	-	1	-	1	-
Inman	7(2)	2	1(1)	-	46	6	12	4	58	10	204	34
Lillis	9(1)	-	1	-	235	-	39	-	274	-	333	-
Matheson	-	-	1(1)	-	-	-	2	-	2	-	2	-
McGahey	15	-	4	-	93	-	26	-	119	-	163	-
McNulty	7	-	2	-	128	1	26	-	154	1	393	8
Moore	3(1)	-	1	-	10	-	3	-	13	-	71	-
Morley	-	-	2	-	2	-	6	-	8	-	8	-
Norman	4(1)	-	2	-	5	-	2	-	7	-	34	-
Ntthe	5(2)	1	3	-	27	1	12	-	39	1	152	6
Perkins	9(2)	-	1	-	69	4	6	2	75	6	460	18
Rafferty	15(1)	-	1(2)	-	203	3	40	1	243	4	243	4
Randall	-	-	2	-	-	-	2	-	2	-	37	-
Rathbone	11(1)	2	2	2	72	5	17	2	89	7	89	7
Thompson	(1)	-	-	-	179	19	23	2	202	21	255	26
Wade	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Wilbraham	7(3)	1	(1)	-	10	1	1	-	11	1	644	139
Williams J	4(5)	-	2	1	20	-	10	1	30	1	100	20
Williams MJ	9(1)	-	1	-	22	-	3	-	25	-	44	-

WHEN DALE SCORE



WHEN DALE CONCEDE

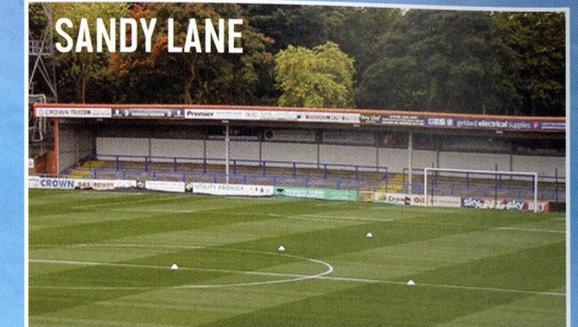


HOW DALE SCORE



END-TO-END

Where and when do Dale score at the Crown Oil Arena?



FIRST HALF GOALS

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AGAINST
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SECOND HALF GOALS

FOR
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AGAINST
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FIRST HALF GOALS

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WEDNESDAY 7TH NOVEMBER 2018

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CHECKATRADE TROPHY, FIRST ROUND, GROUP B

Despite failing to record an outright win in either of this season's first two Checkatrade Trophy matches, Leicester City's U21 side are still in with a chance of qualifying for the second round.

The Foxes have two points to their name so far, both gleaned from a September draw and subsequent win on penalties at Fleetwood, but a 2-1 defeat at Bury in their next game left further progress out of their hands.

If City lose here on Wednesday, they will be out of the competition and Dale will be group winners.

Any other outcome will leave Leicester waiting for the Bury v Fleetwood result a week on Tuesday, with points, goal difference and head-to-head records all coming into play.



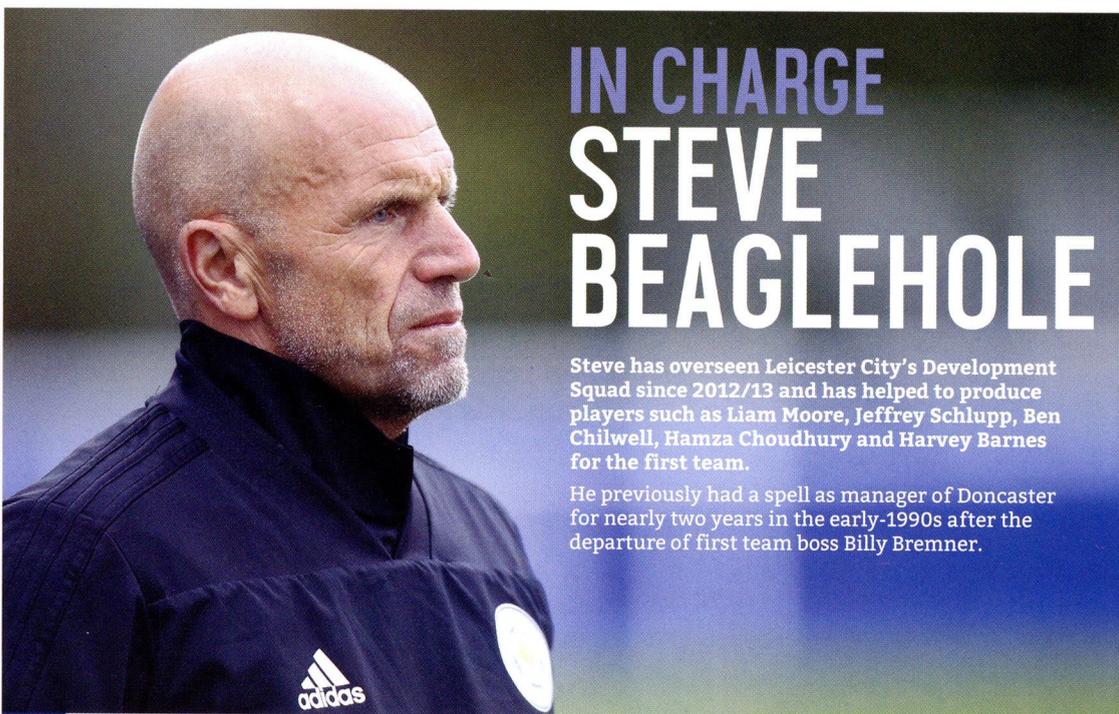
THEIR RECORD HERE

Leicester's first team has visited the Crown Oil Arena on one previous occasion, although that was over 25 years ago.

The Foxes arrived here for the first leg of a second-round tie in the Coca-Cola Cup in September 1993 and despite falling behind to a deflected Jimmy Graham effort, they hit back in devastating style.

Mike Whitlow equalised before the break, but in the second half it was one-way traffic towards the Dale goal.

Steve Walsh, Steve Thompson, David Oldfield, David Speedie and Ian Ormondroyd were all on target as Leicester romped to a thumping 6-1 win that made the second leg two weeks later a bit of a waste of time!



IN CHARGE STEVE BEAGLEHOLE

Steve has overseen Leicester City's Development Squad since 2012/13 and has helped to produce players such as Liam Moore, Jeffrey Schlupp, Ben Chilwell, Hamza Choudhury and Harvey Barnes for the first team.

He previously had a spell as manager of Doncaster for nearly two years in the early-1990s after the departure of first team boss Billy Bremner.

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