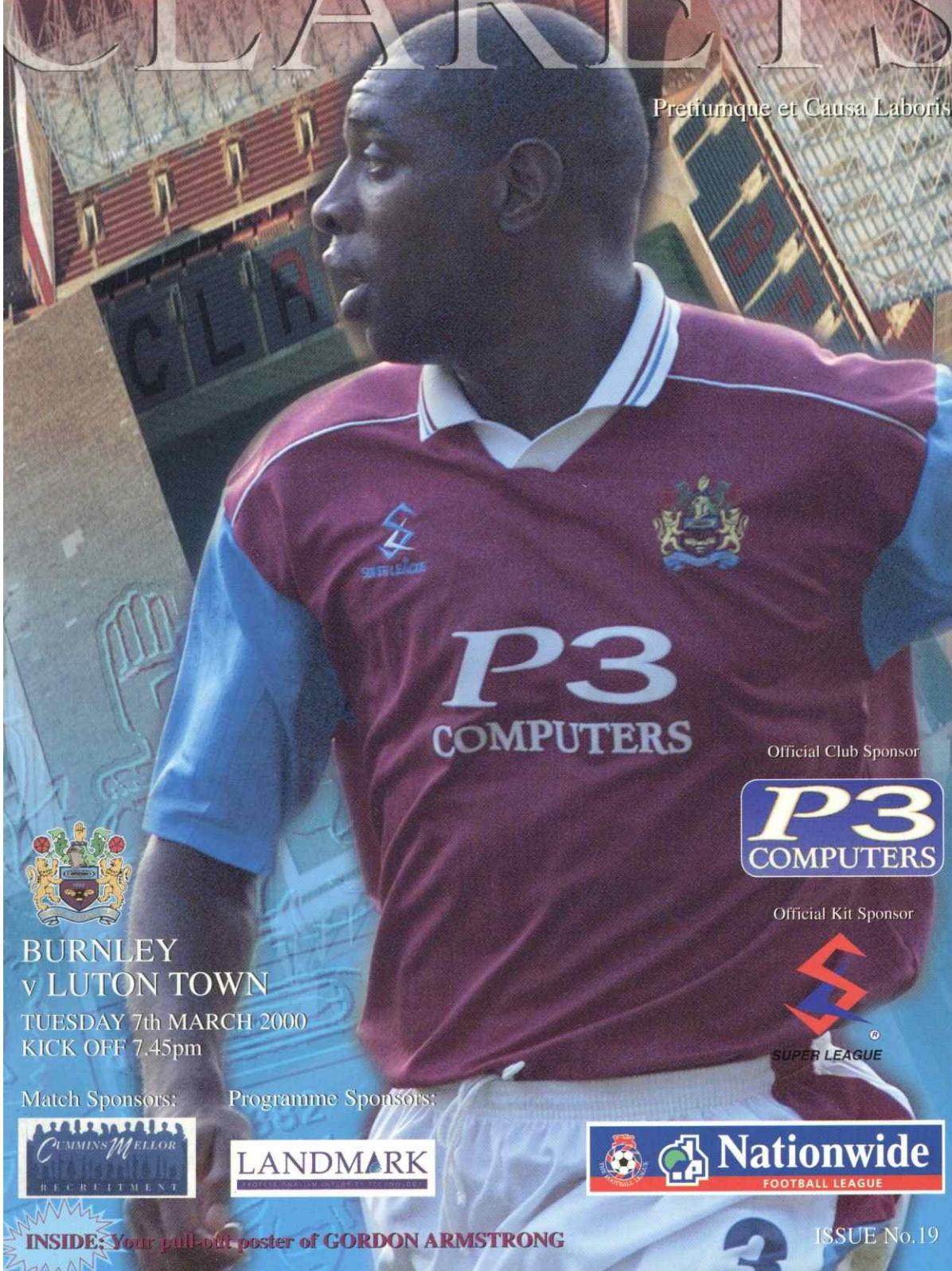


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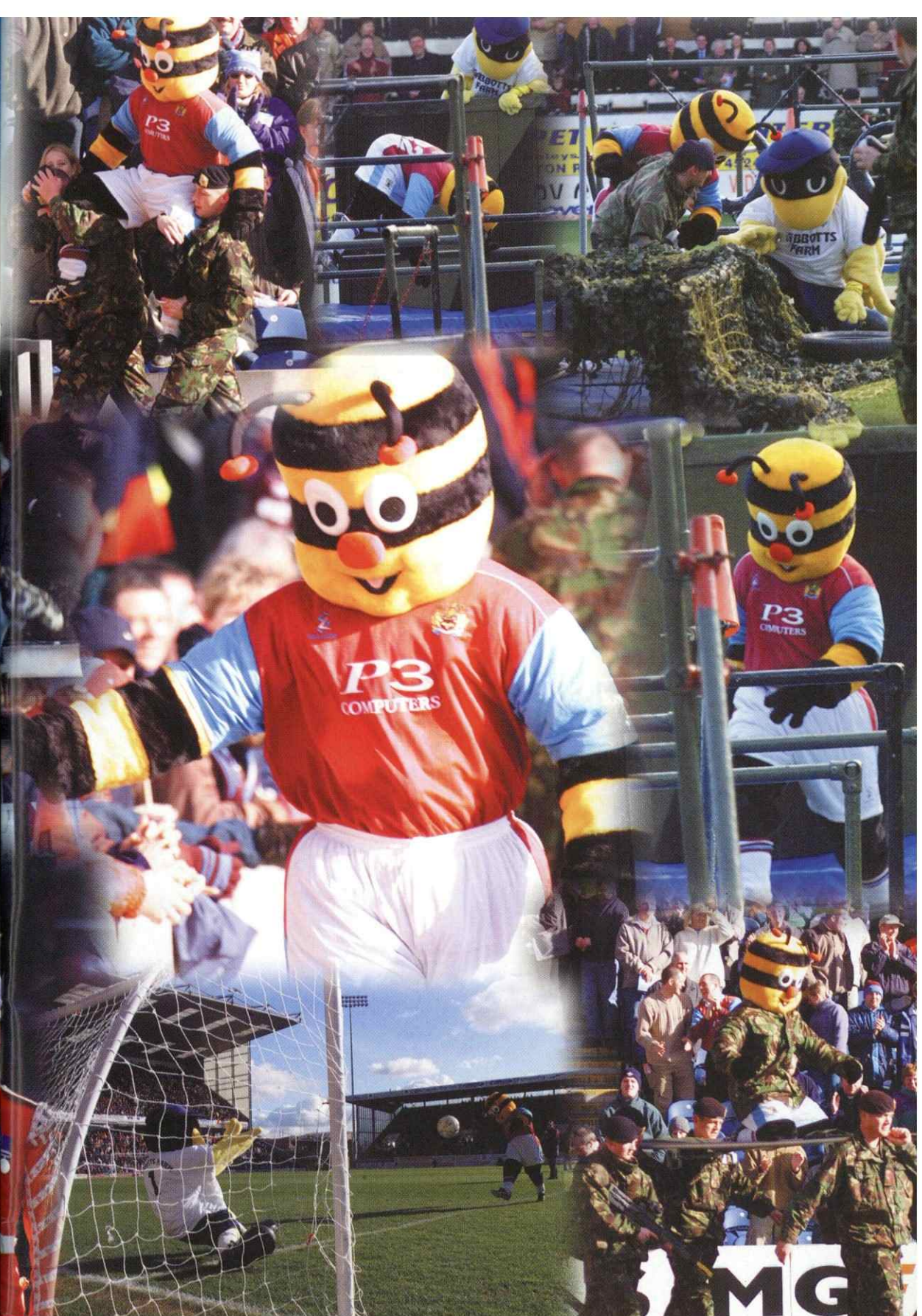
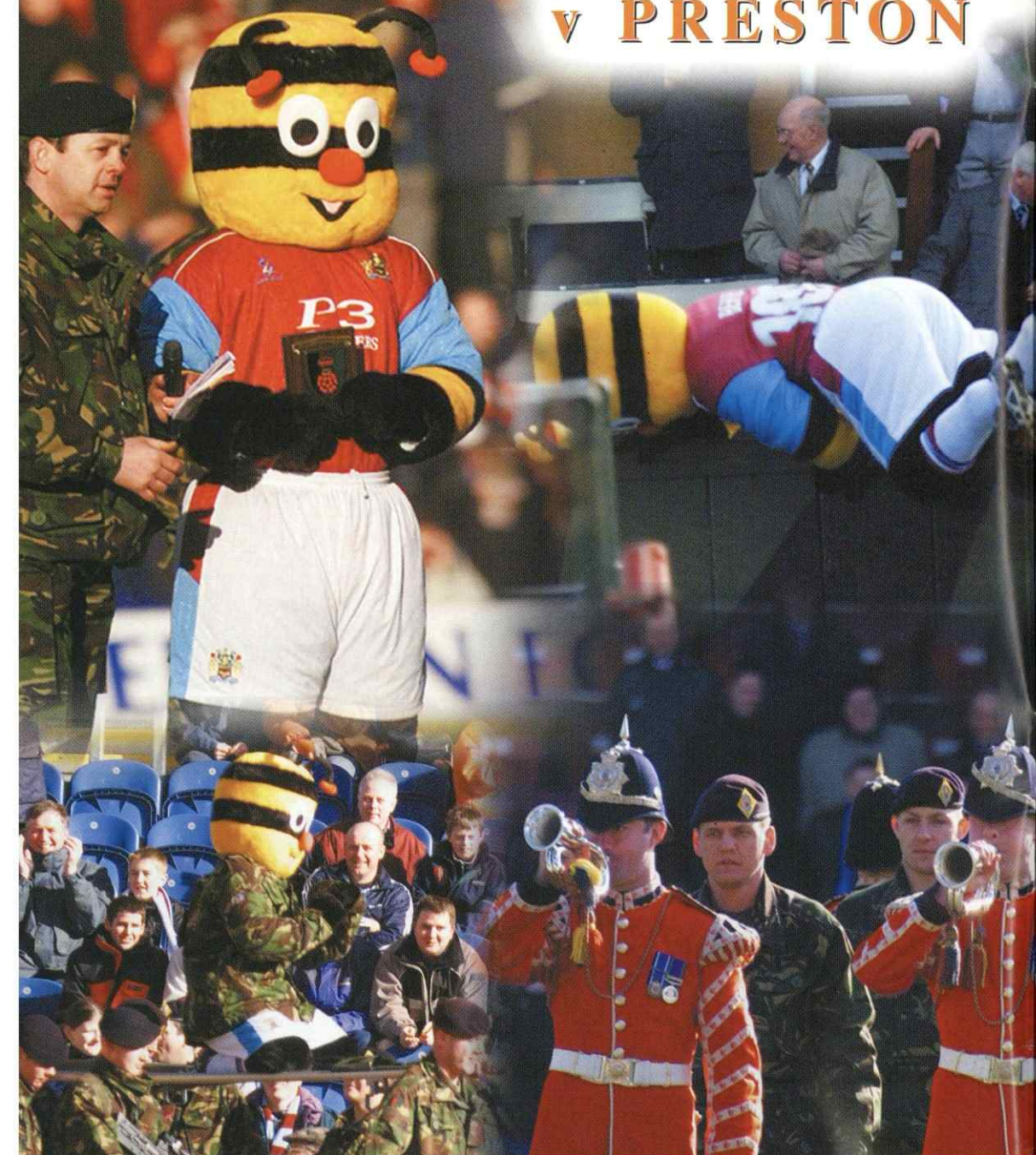


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After the success of last year's event when Steve Kindon (175 appearances, 10 goals for Burnley) was the guest speaker, we've managed to get you another cracking line up.

Mike King as compere and Top TV Comedian Billie Bean are sure to keep you laughing all night and with the addition of Liverpool F.C. Legend Alan Kennedy (347 appearances, 21 goals) as special guest speaker it's sure to be a night to remember.

The event will take place on Wednesday 22nd March in the James Hargreaves Stand Hospitality Suite and tickets are priced at £25.00 per person.

For full details contact Alison Loftus in the Sales and Marketing Department on 01282 700007.

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BURNLEY GIRLS



Sarah Halsall laying her first game for Burnley F.C. girls at the Morecambe tournament.

ough she is capable of playing in any position. Sarah is a level headed, no nonsense type of player, who quietly and efficiently gets on with her game. Sarah is the most consistent player in the team, with good speed, good heading technique, excellent passing ability, and good in the tackle, she also reads a game very well. Sarah also has the ability to push forward when needed and score vital goals for the team. Sarah is a dedicated player, and has a good future in girls football and could eventually play at the highest levels.

Personal Honours: Blackburn U14s Centre of Excellence Player 99/00

CENTRE OF EXCELLENCE

Congratulations to Holly Pointon and Sarah Halsall who have been selected to attend the Centre of Excellence for Under 14s girls based at Blackburn. The Centre's are frequently visited by Hope Powell the England manager, and gifted players such as Holly and Sarah will be selected for England trials. The Under 14s have an unprecedented EIGHT players attending various Centre of Excellence, a great achievement proudly acknowledged by everyone involved in girls football.

PLAYER PROFILE 15 SARAH HALSALL

Sarah joined the U14s squad arriving from Everton in the summer of 1999, and soon established herself in the back four as a central defender.

BURNLEY F.C. GIRLS UNDER 14s ARE CHAMPIONS!!!

Last seasons double winning U12s team, now competing at Under 14s level have won the Lancashire League title at the first attempt. The girls who have also reached the Cup Final and the Championship Final, are hoping to achieve an historic treble by winning all three trophies. The finals will be played at the Lancashire F.A. headquarters based at Leyland, situated behind the Leyland Motors Museum, on the 2/4/00 and the 30/4/00 respectively, kick off 11.45am. We need your support to cheer the Burnley Football Club Girls team on. More details available from Grahame on 01706 221442.

LANCASHIRE GIRLS FOOTBALL LEAGUE

UNDER 12S B

	P	W	D	L	PTS
Bury Girls	14	13	0	1	39
Man City	14	13	0	1	39
Man Utd	14	8	2	4	26
Preston NE	14	7	2	5	23
Winsford Girls	14	5	0	9	15
Burnley FC Girls	14	4	1	9	13
Wigan Girls	14	2	1	11	7
Bolton Wdrs B	14	1	0	13	3

UNDER 14S A

	P	W	D	L	PTS
Burnley FC Girls	11	10	0	1	30
Borough Girls	10	7	1	2	22
Blackburn Rovers	9	6	1	2	19
Preston NE	10	4	1	2	19
Chorley Girls	11	2	3	6	9
Blackpool Girls	12	2	1	9	7
Morecambe Youth	12	0	1	11	1

UNDER 16S

	P	W	D	L	PTS
Hartford Moss	15	14	0	1	42
Everton	14	13	1	0	40
Preston NE	15	11	0	4	33
Bury Girls & L	14	7	1	6	22
Hopwood	15	6	3	6	21
Man Utd	15	6	1	8	19
Man City	13	4	1	8	13
Stalybridge Cel	12	2	3	7	9
Morecambe Youth	13	1	0	12	3
Burnley FC Girls	12	0	0	12	0

NEW PLAYERS U16S

The U16s are looking for new players to strengthen their squad for next season. Girls must be at least 14 and under 16 on the 1st August 2000. Girls meeting the age criteria will be invited for a trial. Please contact the manager Jim Nelson on 01706-221270 or the Coach Steve Walmsley on 01282-413597 for further details.



Centre of Excellence players Sarah Halsall and Holly Pointon in line for England recognition.



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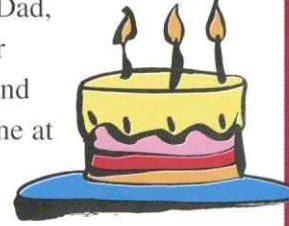
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BIRTHDAYS

Clare Pritchard is 27 on the 10th March, she sits in the Lower Tier of the James Hargreaves Stand. Lots of love from Mark, Caitlin, Mum, Dad, Brother Mark and everyone at B.F.C.



BURNLEY SHIRTS AROUND THE WORLD

Pictured is David Duff meeting Frank Bruno in Pristina, Kosovo.



MASCOT PHILLIP GILLET

Phillip is 8 years old and goes to Woodbank County Primary School. His hobbies include football, golf and fishing. Phillips favourite player is Andy Cooke.



EX CLARETS IN SPORT



The ex-Clarets present at today's game are Roger Eli and Ron Futcher.

UP THE CLARETS WINS FOR THE THIRD TIME

UP THE CLARETS owned by Valley Paddocks Racing and trained by Chris Grant, better known in his jockey days as 'Rambo' and ridden by Liam Cooper, won the fifth race at Musselburgh on Saturday 26th February 2000, over 2 miles 4 furlongs.

Lionel Snowden from Valley Paddocks Racing commented, it was a great double with Burnley beating Colchester.

VIKINGS TO WREXHAM

This weekend the same group of Burnley FC internet supporters who organised the amazing Santa's to Derby County and Arabian Knights to Coventry fancy dress campaigns, have planned yet another fun event. The new campaign is to persuade an many Burnley FC supporters as possible to wear Viking fancy dress outfits or helmets for our visit to Wrexham this coming Saturday. Burnley Football Club are very pleased to get behind this unique initiative to encourage our large away following to go dressed as Vikings and we feel sure this will add to a great atmosphere, once again raising the profile of this great club on a national level. If you have an internet connection you can check out all the latest fancy dress news at www.turfmoor.co.uk

The web site has already taken thousands of hits and along with lots of local media coverage a generous contingent of Burnley Vikings is expected to make its way down to Wales for the fixture.



Burnley Football Club are pleased to announce a new partnership with the Burnley Asda Store who are supplying "Asda Quickbite Pasta Meals" For the Players on their Journeys back home from away games

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OFF THE FIELD OF PLAY



Conference & Banqueting is a fast growing department in any football club

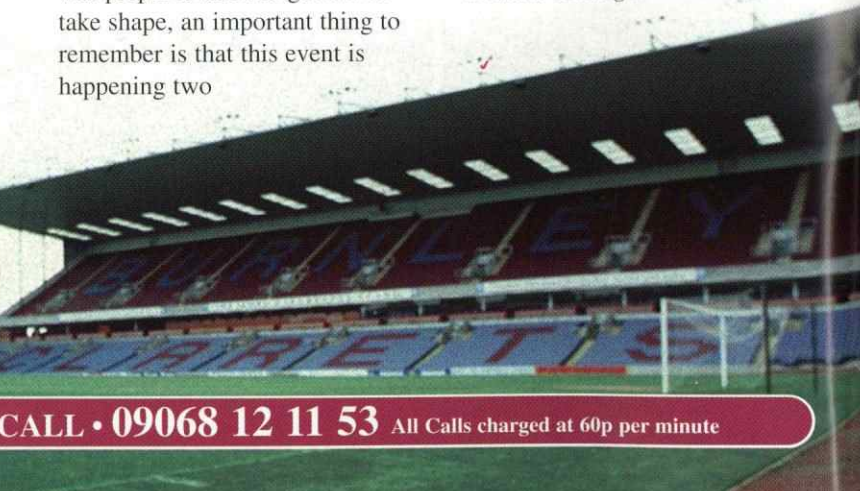
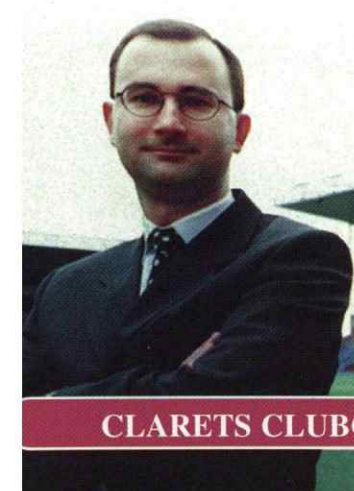
around the country, more so here at Burnley. I thought it would be worth giving you an insight into what goes on behind the scenes. The Catering Department is at work almost 7 days a week, 365 days a year. Before a typical Saturday football match we can have two other Conference & Banqueting functions which may not finish until 2am on the morning of the matchday. These rooms then have to be cleaned, set-up, the food has to be prepared and bars re-stocked. More important the 6000 pies that are normally consumed on a matchday have to be distributed and the 500 pints of beer and lager have

to be pulled through ready for pouring.

Non football business is now growing faster than ever, here at Burnley we can cater for almost any function or event, from Trade Shows, Sportsmans Dinners, Charity Events, Parties and Breakfasts. A recent careers fare that was held here took three days in total to set up run and set down, in the morning of the set-up a Business Breakfast was held in the James Hargreaves Suite, so before the set up could begin we had a conference taking place already. After the departure of the Breakfast Conference the set up could begin. The career fair was for well over 1500 delegates so the whole of the James Hargreaves stand was being used. The buffet was prepared and things start to take shape, an important thing to remember is that this event is happening two

days before one of the busiest matchdays the club has seen, the meals for over 500 guests were also being prepared and the fast food and bar preparations were well under way. Many people thought the Millennium would make January a very quiet month, the Catering Department was far from that, with small conferences and seminars held throughout as well as the larger Millennium celebrations being held with companies like CALIGEN FOAM and VEKA. In supporting the club through holding events with us you are supporting our success off the field, so if you are interested in holding an event with us, just contact the Catering Department and they will be happy to help.

Andrew Watson
General Manager



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NATIONWIDE REVIEW

ROBINS TO SWOOP

Wrexham are being linked with a move for Glentoran's Stuart Elliott who is looking to play on a higher stage than the Irish League. Manager Brian Flynn is reported to be ready to act on glowing reports, but he will have to be prepared to part with a fee in the region of £100,000. That is the figure Elliott's bosses at The Oval are understood to be wanting for their player.

INTERNATIONAL DATE

Wigan Athletic will host their first international match this week when England Under 18s take on France in a youth international at the JJB Stadium.

AUTO ROUTE FOR ROBINS

Bristol City are the last team in Auto Windscreens Shield action from the Second Division. They kicked-off their southern section final against Exeter City when the first leg was played at Ashton Gate on Tuesday night - resulting in a 4-0 outcome in favour of the Second

Division club. The Robins raced into the lead and their job was made easier by the fact that the Grecians had 2 players sent off. They will now be hoping to finish the job off when they travel to St James's Park for the second leg. Anyone who still believes that the competition does not arouse much interest should look at the gate figure for this week's clash - over 12,000.

WOOD YOU BELIEVE IT

Reading have been having a tough time of things so far this season - and they haven't been helped by the amount of times they have hit the woodwork. So far this season they have been denied on 14 occasions by shots or headers that have hit the frame of the goal. If, for instance, half of them had gone in and single-goal reverses had been transformed into draws, they would by now be virtually safe. Instead, they face a nervous run in to the end of the season as they are still looking for around another 17 points.

BIG GATES

As these notes had to be written before the weekend matches, there have been no further changes to the top 10 attendance table. The game here at the weekend was reported to be a sell out and should now be on the top of the list and tonight's clash will almost certainly go into the top 10 somewhere. One match should have been added to the list 2 Saturday's ago. But a nightmare accident on the M6 prevented a lot of Gillingham fans from getting to Deepdale to see their side's 2-0 victory and the game just missed out on replacing the Preston-Wigan clash in the table.

TOP TEN ATTENDANCES

20,435	Burnley v Wigan Athletic	Feb 19
16,821	Preston v Blackpool	Dec 18
16,680	Preston v Bristol Rovers	Dec 28
16,011	Bristol City v Bristol Rovers	Oct 17
15,354	Stoke City v Burnley	Jan 29
14,226	Preston v Notts County	Nov 12
14,218	Burnley v Oxford Utd	Dec 28
14,183	Stoke v Colchester	Nov 27
13,901	Preston v Bury	Feb 19
13,885	Preston v Wigan	Aug 28

THIS WEEK'S FIXTURES

Brentford v Wrexham
Bristol Rovers v Wycombe
Burnley v Luton
Cambridge Utd v Bristol City
Cardiff v Bournemouth
Gillingham v Notts County
Millwall v Scunthorpe
Oldham v Chesterfield
Oxford Utd v Reading
Preston North End v Colchester
Wigan Athletic v Blackpool

“ Reading have been having a tough time of things so far this season.....”

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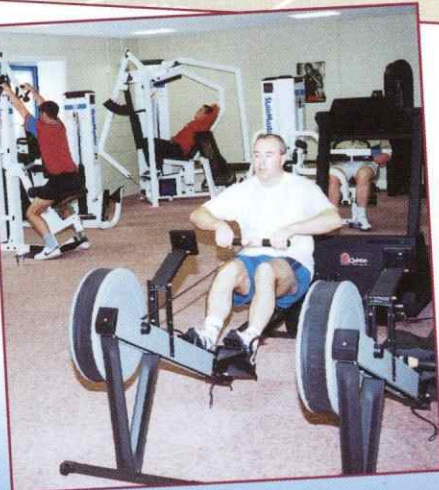
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HEAD TO HEAD

PREVIOUS MEMORABLE MATCH REPORTS AGAINST TODAY'S OPPONENTS

BATTLING CLARETS GO DOWN FIGHTING

LUTON TOWN 2, BURNLEY 1

NOVEMBER 6TH 1999

BY EDWARD LEE, BURNLEY EXPRESS



If you're going to lose, you might as well go down fighting. If you're fans are going to go home disappointed, at least let them go home knowing that you gave it everything. Leave them with the memory of a fantastic save in stoppage time, and it might not seem as bad.

Both managers knew that they were facing one of their toughest games of the season to date when Burnley travelled to Luton on Saturday. And that was borne out in a poor first half in which both sides tried to get the upper hand, but neither could keep hold of the ball for long enough to make an impression. Luton had plenty of pace in the front line, Burnley had the experience to close them out. In the second half things opened up as both sides went for it. Luton struck first, Burnley levelled within a minute. Luton struck again, Stan Ternant reshuffled his pack and committed his cavalier Clarets to all-out attack. Luton could have struck again on three occasions when Burnley attacks broke down. But they didn't and that always gave the Clarets the chance to snatch the point they deserved. They almost did, but a brilliant save from Nathan Abbey denied Steve Davis an equaliser. Luton had lively players like Stuart

Douglas, Matthew Spring, Neil Midgley and Matthew Taylor probing away and looking capable of causing problems for Davis, Mitchell Thomas and company. Thomas came within an ace of giving the Clarets the lead in the ninth minute when his looping header was touched over by the agile Abbey. Two minutes later Glen Little tried his luck from 20 yards with a shot that wrong-footed the keeper, but Abbey recovered in time to keep it out. Luton had a rare attack in the 13th minute - and Burnley almost scored from it. A Town corner was cleared downfield for Burnley to win a corner of their own. Paul Cook played it short to Little who worked it inside to Micky Mellon in prime position, but he shot well over the top.

The best Luton chance came on the half hour when Midgley broke into the area and drilled in a shot but Paul Crichton stood up near his post to block the shot and Chris Brass tidied up after him. The second half could not have got off to a more exciting start. Luton took the lead in the 50th minute when George raided the inside-left channel and squared the ball for the unmarked Midgley to convert from close range. Luton were still celebrating when Cooke equalised. Cook played the pass of the game to sweep the ball 60 yards

across the field to Little. The winger showed a nice turn of pace, drifted beyond his defender and stuck a deep cross to the back post where Cooke slid in to give Abbey no chance. Two minutes later it should have been 2-1 when Little embarked on another good run but his low cross was just in front of the advancing Payton. Luton went back in front when Douglas broke down the right and slipped a low ball into Midgley who squeezed it past Brass and beyond Crichton's grasp to nudge Luton in front. Marvin Johnson headed off the line as Thomas and Cooke rose together to try and convert a corner and then Brass made way for Ronnie Jepson as Burnley switched to 3-4-3.

Graham Branch was to replace Payton and Armstrong later made way for Alan Lee as the Clarets finished with four up in front in the search for an equaliser. The game drifted into stoppage time and Burnley continued to press forward. The referee was already paying close attention to his watch when Little thumped in a free kick, Davis rose majestically and thumped in a header with goal written all over it until Abbey pulled off a great one-handed save. It was Burnley's last chance and the points slipped from their grasp.

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THE HATTERS

LUTON TOWN

After a promising start, Luton Town have again fallen off the pace as the race for promotion really hots up. Twelfth in the table at the time of writing, the Hatters appear to be heading for a carbon copy of last season. Strong at home, they have struggled on their travels so far this season and are one of only two clubs in the division to have lost 10 or more times away from home. Going in to the weekend games, they were 11 points behind the last play-off spot and looking likely to have to spend another year searching for a return to the First Division. At the helm they have one of the most

experienced managers in the division. Lennie Lawrence arrived at Kenilworth Road in the autumn of 1995 and has done a brave job ever since. Well used to managing on a shoestring budget, he has been under considerable financial pressure throughout his time at Luton but has helped the club to stay above water. Lawrence surprisingly, never played league football but enjoyed a career with the likes of Carshalton, Croydon and Sutton United before entering the world of soccer management as assistant at Plymouth and Lincoln City and then reserve team boss at Charlton. He proved to be something of a miracle worker with the Addicks. They had no home and no money, but Lawrence took them to what is now the Premiership and kept them there for four years. He has been the boss at Charlton for nine years before leaving for Middlesbrough and he

again took his new side into the top flight. But Premiership football lasted for just one season and relegation saw Lawrence on his way out and replaced by Bryan Robson. Lawrence went to Bradford but lasted only 18 months before deciding to head back south and answer the call to become Luton's 21st manager. The die was cast for that season and relegation to the Second Division was inevitable. The following season almost saw the Hatters bounce straight back, only for the campaign to end in play-off failure at the semi final stage and the last campaign and a half have proved somewhat frustrating for the Luton boss. The club went into receivership in the summer and that has tied Lawrence down in the transfer market with nothing available for incoming transfers. With a couple of exceptions, Lawrence has a young squad at his

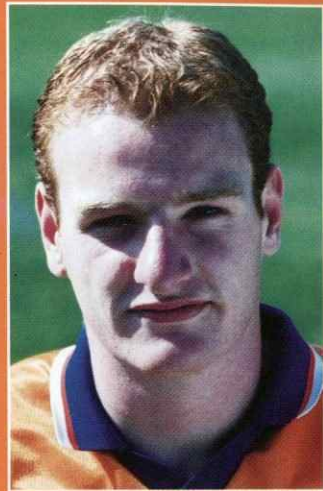


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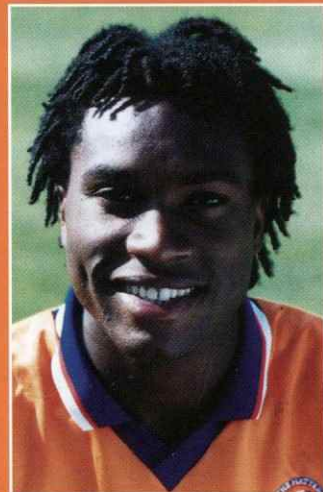


disposal and the average age of the 16 on duty today is likely to be about 23 and a half. Lawrence is likely to pick his team from the following 16 players: Nathan Abbey: "Tanny" left the club to play in Antwerp in the summer, but the move did not work out and following the £600,000 sale of Kelvin Davis to Wimbledon he returned to Kenilworth Road to become the first choice goalkeeper. Emerson Boyce: One of the many players to come through Luton's schools and youth development programme, the defender has come all the way through the ranks and first broke into the team at the start of last year. Gary Doherty: Big and brave, Doherty is a central defender who can also act as a centre forward. A youth international, he has also made it as far as the subs' bench for the Republic of Ireland. Stuart Douglas: A real hot-shot in youth and reserve team football, Douglas was a 17 year old trainee when he made his first team debut and went on to win a regular place in the side last season and play in more than 50 games in all competitions. Andrew Fotiadis: Another local discovery, Fotiadis chose to stay at school and continue his education to A-levels before taking up the game professionally. An England schoolboy international he is an old-fashioned centre forward who knows how to put defence on the back foot. Stuart Fraser: One of the most promising players at the club, Fraser has been able to make

the left back spot his own since Mitchell Thomas's switch from Luton to Burnley. Liam George: A broken leg last season against Wigan halted the stylish young strikers progress, but he is still another exciting prospect at Kenilworth Road. Phil Gray: One of only two thirty-somethings likely to feature today, Irish international striker Gray is in his second spell with the club and has also played for Sunderland, Nancy and Fortuna Sittard. Marvin Johnson: The other thirty-something, Johnson is the longest-serving player at the club and a big influence at either centre half or in midfield. Adam Locke: The former Bristol City, Crystal Palace, Southend and Colchester player has a key role in midfield where his experience rubs off on his predominantly young team mates. Gavin McGowan: After two loan deals, the former Arsenal trainee finally moved to Luton on a permanent basis two summers ago and made the right-back spot his own. Efe Sodje: The former Macclesfield defender joined Luton in the summer and will be back in the squad today after returning from the African Nations Cup where he represents Nigeria. Matthew Spring: A competitive midfielder, Spring was another of the current players to make his debut for Luton as a 17-year old. Still only 20, he made more appearances - 54 - than any other Luton player last season. Matthew Taylor: Was still only 17 when he made his debut on the opening day of this season. Taylor is another highly-rated prospect. Julian Watts: The defender signed on loan at the start of the season from Bristol City, he has since made his move permanent. Alan White: Lennie Lawrence went back to Middlesbrough when an injury crisis robbed him of his back four in late 1997. White came back to Luton with him for a £40,000 fee.



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CAPTAIN'S COLUMN



Good afternoon and welcome to Turf Moor for tonight's game against Luton Town. These notes were written before Saturday's clash with Preston but hopefully we will have taken three points from the derby game and be looking to step up the pressure further on the leaders by winning again this evening.

However, whatever the outcome at the weekend, tonight's fixture is every bit as important as the one against our local rivals. With the games starting to run out, there becomes less margin for error.

And with the matches coming thick and fast over the next few week's there's a real chance to make progress.

It seems a lifetime since we last played in mid-week and we are looking forward to some night matches as much as you, especially with the atmosphere that's sure to be created here at Turf Moor.

When you get behind the side it really does make a difference to the players and playing in front of big crowds on this sort of stage is what we are in football for.

On the playing front, the manager will have a couple of

extra options tonight with Mitchell Thomas and Andy Payton both back from suspension.

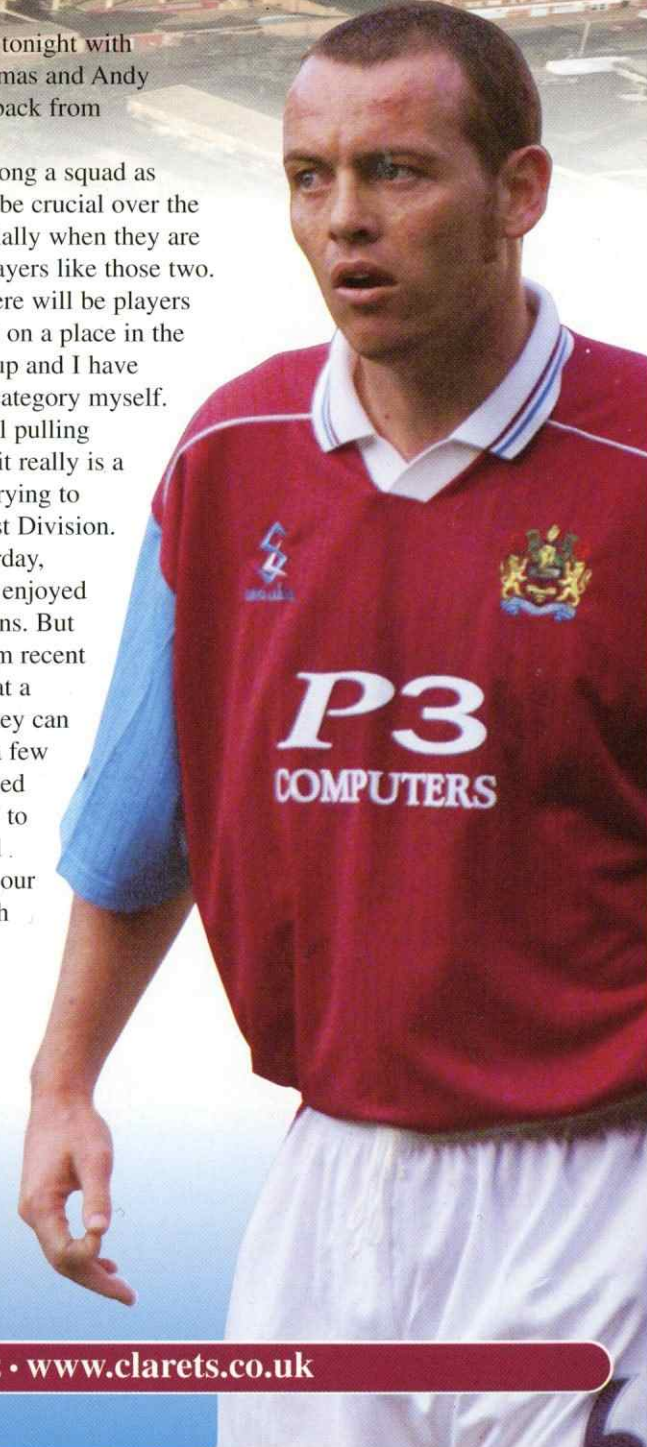
Having as strong a squad as possible will be crucial over the run-in, especially when they are influential players like those two. Inevitably there will be players who miss out on a place in the starting line-up and I have been in that category myself.

But we are all pulling together and it really is a team effort, trying to reach the First Division.

Prior to Saturday, Luton hadn't enjoyed the best of runs. But we know from recent meetings what a useful side they can be and with a few of the supposed 'lesser lights' to play, it's vital that we raise our game for each and every match.

Enjoy the game and thanks again for your support,

Gordon.



SPOTLIGHT ON... EAMONN KELLY

Burnley's massive improvement is a double-edged sword for young players at the club like Eamonn Kelly.

The teenage midfielder man is in his first season as a professional at Turf Moor after coming through the ranks.

Spotted playing locally in his native Manchester, Kelly joined the Clarets' Centre of Excellence at the age of 14 and then after 2 years as a trainee was awarded his first pro contract by Stan Ternent last summer.

If it had all come a year earlier, Kelly might have followed the likes of Carl Smith, Chris Scott and Matty Heywood into the first-team picture. Instead, the midfielder is still learning the ropes in the Pontins League. It's been tough to get near to the first team because we've got such a strong squad here now.

"I've got to keep trying to break in by doing my best in the reserves. But it's not going to be easy.

"I've just got to keep going and keep my head up. But I'm still enjoying it," he said after completing training yesterday.

The up side, however, is the chance to learn from quality players and play alongside more seasoned professionals in the reserves.

"With so many good players in the first team I've got to look at them and watch them and try and learn from the likes of Paul Cook.

"Even in the reserve team it's sometimes hard to get a game but I just have to give it a go and try and impress the main man," he added.

More often than not this season, Kelly has been helping anchor the reserves' midfield and is making progress under the tutelage of Mick Docherty and Terry Pashley.

Along with midfield sidekick Alex Kevan he is also a key member of the youth team squad which has enjoyed a much more productive season in the Football League's Youth Alliance.

One of his finest moments came last week when he scored an absolute screamer at Preston, helping the reserves to hold a powerful North End side to a creditable 2-2 draw.

That result helped the Clarets

stay in mid-table, seven points behind the leaders.

And tomorrow, Docherty's men entertain Lincoln City reserves needing a point to reach the knock-out stages of the Pontins League Cup.

"If we are playing well it's a good thing for everyone and if we keep plugging away I think we'll get our rewards," Kelly added.

"There are some good teams in the league and you've got to enjoy going to places like Molineux and the McAlpine Stadium, where we're playing next week.

"I think I've done quite well. You've got to take your chances when they come along and try and keep improving."

The acid test will come at the end of the season when his contract is up for renewal. Whether his future lies at Burnley or elsewhere, Kelly believes his time at Turf Moor will stand him in good stead. And he hopes that his Clarets' career is just starting.

"Hopefully I will do something here. It's a great place," he said.



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INJURY UPDATE



Striker Alan Lee received some excellent news on the injury front last week and is hoping to be able to play some part in the remainder of the Clarets' promotion campaign.

Lee has been out of action since last December because of a knee injury.

But after surgery the problem has cleared up much quicker than expected and Lee's anticipated comeback is now well ahead of schedule, giving him every chance of returning to action before the end of the season.

"He has been given the all-clear to get on with it," confirmed physio Ian Liversedge after Lee's latest visit to the specialist.

"He will be training with us a couple of weeks and then back training with the team and hopefully be playing by the end of March, which would be two months ahead of schedule."

The former Aston Villa youngster is delighted to be

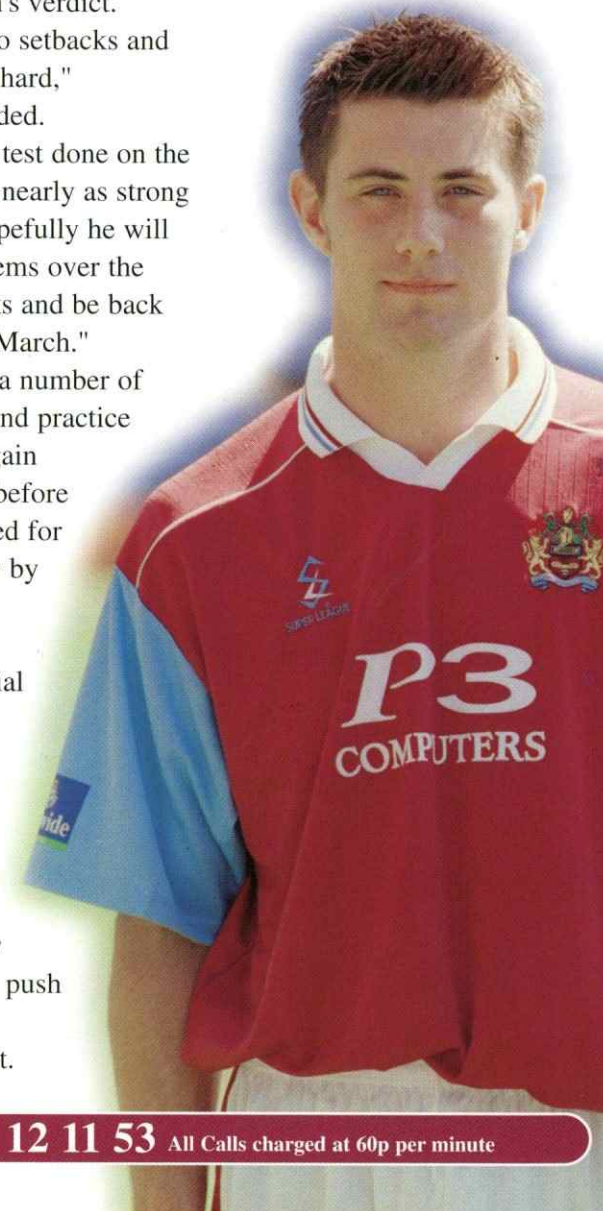
well down the road to recovery and while always optimistic about his recovery rate, was pleasantly surprised by the surgeon's verdict. "He has had no setbacks and worked really hard," Liversedge added.

"He has had a test done on the leg and it was nearly as strong as before. Hopefully he will have no problems over the next few weeks and be back by the end of March."

Lee will need a number of reserve team and practice matches to regain match fitness before he is considered for first team duty by manager Stan Ternent.

But his potential return for the last couple of weeks of the season should be a major tonic for the Clarets as they make the final push towards a promotion spot.

Below:
Alan Lee's anticipated comeback is now well ahead of schedule.





PLAY BACK



PAUL SMITH AVOIDING THE LATIC'S DEFENCE



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GAME OF MY LIFE PAUL CRICHTON

Goalkeepers are often unsung heroes, with strikers claiming most of the glory with their match-winning strikes. Clarets shot-topper Paul Crichton is no different. But after a baptism of fire last season, when he had five goals struck past him on his debut at Bournemouth, he has gone on, with a much-improved Burnley defence, to register 15 clean sheets in 31 league games. In terms of a game that sticks in his memory, Crichton, who has yet to taste league or cup success at the age of 32, recalls a game in the 1991/92 season in the old Fourth Division.

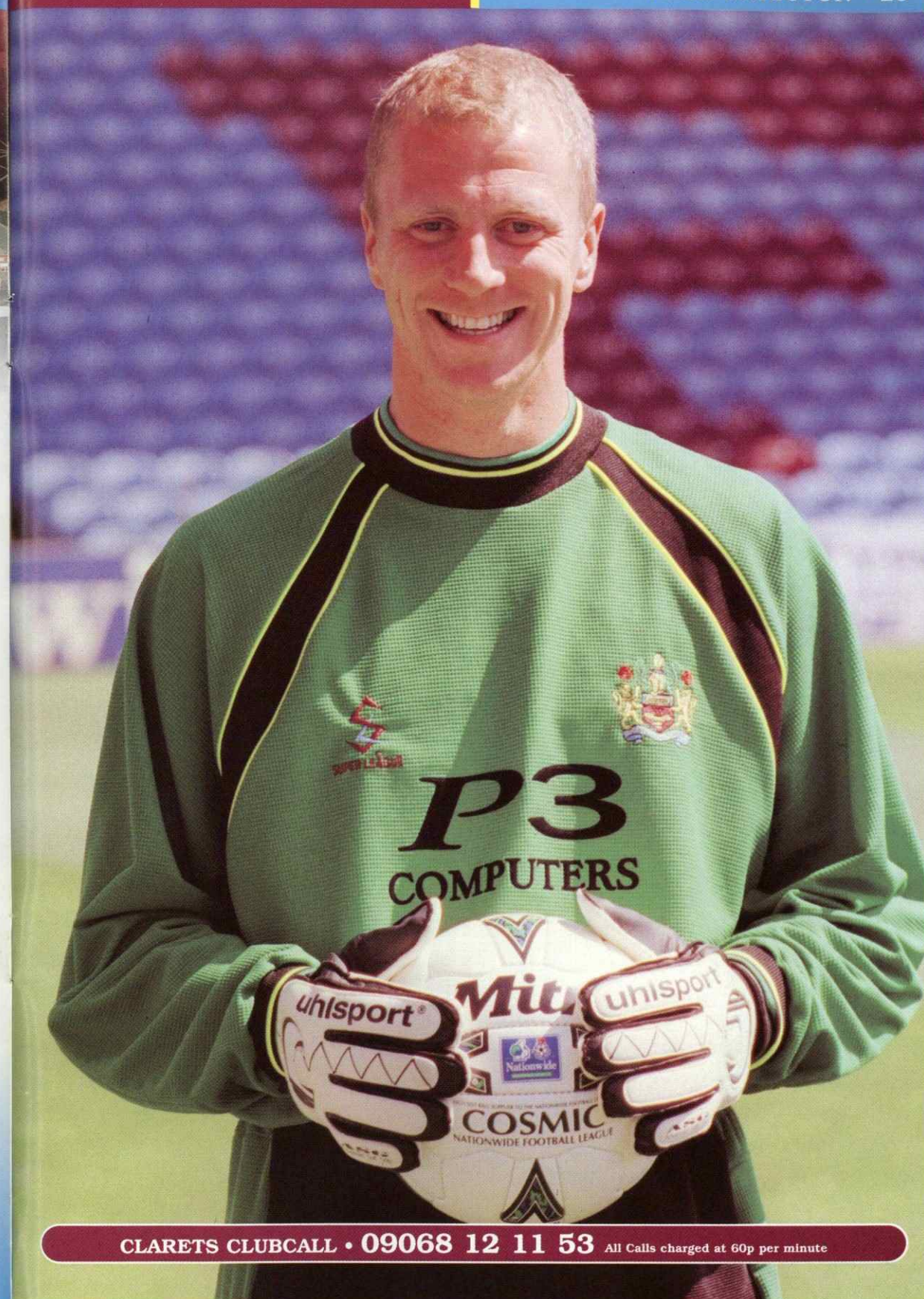
While playing for Doncaster Rovers, he performed heroics to help the Yorkshire side top the table. He said "The only professional game that stands out to me is when I saved a penalty, which was taken three times, at Rochdale. Billy Bremner was in charge and we were challenging, although I can remember losing 4-1 to Burnley, who won the title, earlier in the season at Belle Vue. Rochdale won a penalty, but even though I saved it, the

referee ordered it to be retaken. The same lad stepped up, and I managed to stop the second one, only for the referee to make them take it again as someone had moved into the box. Rochdale changed the taker for the third one, but I kept that one out as well. We went on to win the game 3-0, and it's a game my mum still has on video." He has played in West Brom-Wolves derby clashes, where the atmosphere, he says is "frightening". But he is still trying to emulate one of his fondest goalkeeping memories, when he helped his school win through to a cup final!

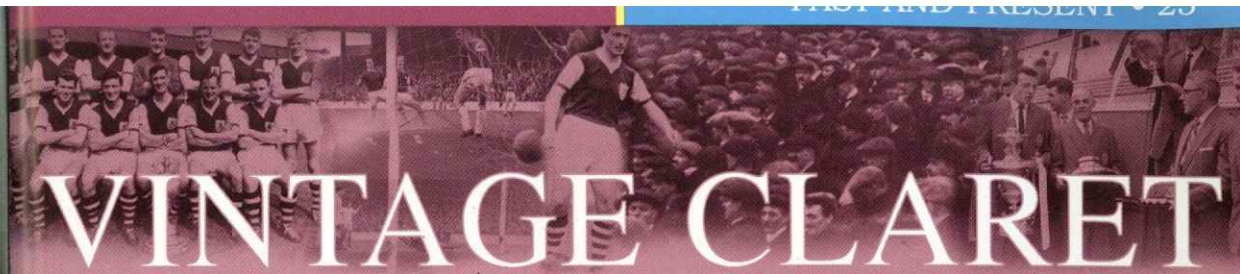
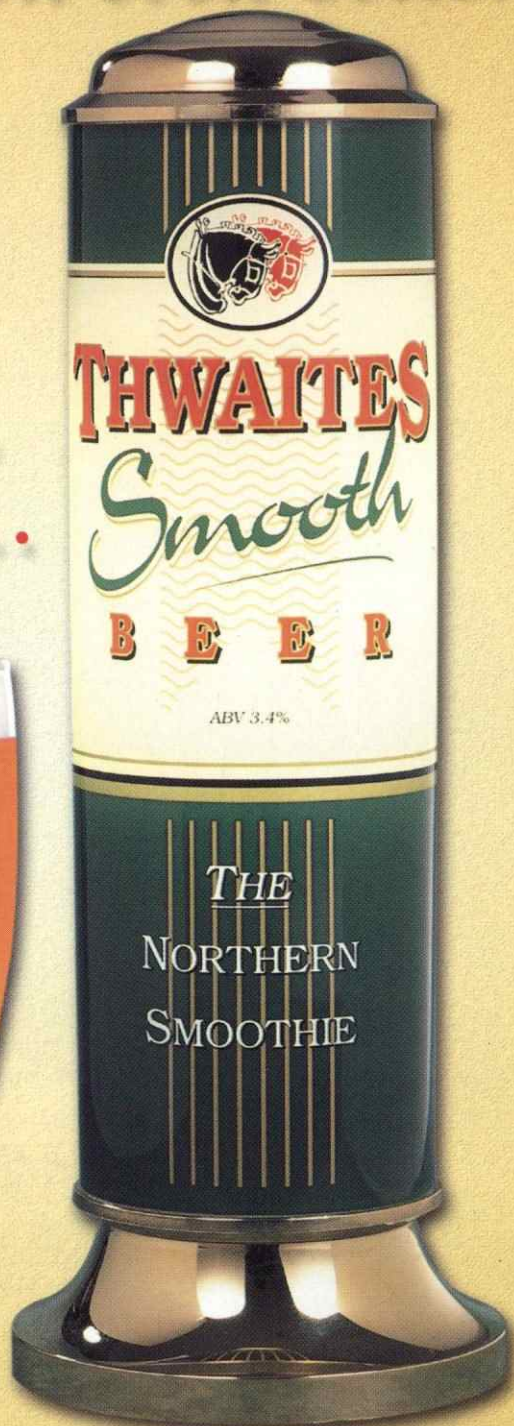
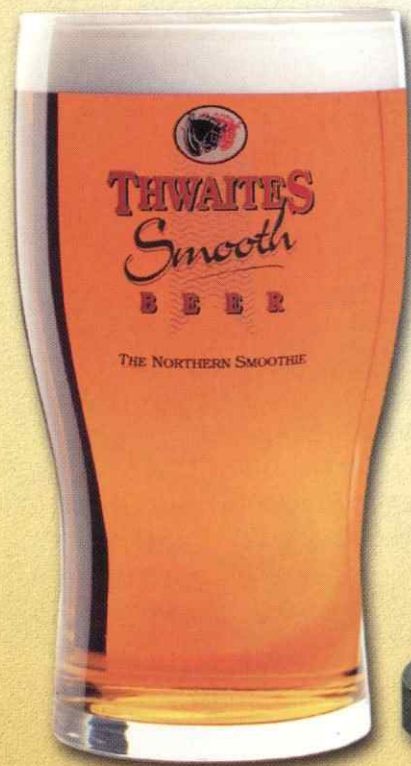
"It was when I was a kid - I was 13, and we had time off school to play in a cup semi. I saved a penalty and made saves for fun. We ended up winning 1-0, and that sticks in my mind to this day.

However, despite playing for several clubs in a colourful career, Crichton has never been involved in a promotion or cup win. After starting his career at Nottingham Forest in the city where he still lives, he has had spells at Notts County,

Darlington, Peterborough, Swindon, Rotherham, Torquay, Doncaster, Grimsby, West Brom, Aston Villa and now Burnley. He said "I've never been involved in a promotion - hopefully we will go up this year. At every club I have been at, something has happened, be it relegation, or a cup shock, like when we beat Derby in December but I would love to be a part of a promotion. I'm really enjoying my football here. We're up there, and it's been a brilliant season so far. It is probably the best season I have been involved with a football club. That's nice, especially at 31. I have always considered myself to be a decent keeper, but I have never played for a successful side. It would be nice to go up, with the tradition that Burnley has got. The club shouldn't even be in this division in the first place. So, with a bit of luck, we might just do it. The players in this team all have great experience, or have played in cup finals or at a higher level. There is a great squad here, and we have a good chance to get promotion."



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Captain Jack Hill leads out the Burnley team for an FA Cup fourth round tie at Fulham in January 1927. Two goals by George Beel and one each from Louis Page and Jack Brunton gave the Clarets a comfortable 4-0 victory. Replica strips were surely not that common in 1927 but the two fans behind the railings were waving the hats look as

though they could be Turf Moor groupies!

Opposite Top:

The Burnley players pose for a photograph during a hectic tour of Germany and Holland in May 1927. The Clarets won five of their six matches, played in just 15 days, and scored 30 goals altogether, their most impressive performance coming in a 7-2 victory

against Enschede.
Back: C Booth, Billy Dougall, Harold Hargreaves, Andy McCluggage, George Somerville, Jim Brown, Clifford Heap, Jack Bruton, E England (Assistant Secretary).
Front: Albert Pickles (Manager), Percy Richards, Joe Devine, George Parkin, George Beel, Charlie Bates (Trainer)

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If a keen Burnley supporter was asked to list all the Clarets players who had represented their country at full international level, it is most unlikely that Hughie Flack would be among the first names to be recalled. Belfast-born Flack appeared in just three First Division matches for Burnley after his arrival from Crusaders, making his League debut at left back on 18 February 1929 in a goalless draw against Bury

at Turf Moor. Just five days later, he was lining up with his Clarets full back partner Andy McCluggage in Belfast for an international debut against a Scotland side that contained Alan Morton, Hughie Gallagher and Alex James! The Scots won 7-3 and Flack immediately disappeared from the international scene. After just two more League games he also left Turf Moor, going on to play for Swansea and Halifax.



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... a special future

100 SEASONS OF LEAGUE FOOTBALL

Part 19 - 1973-1976

By Wallace Chadwick

Burnley embarked on their 75th League season, 1973/74, with high hopes, newly promoted to the First Division and with a fine blend of players assembled by Jimmy Adamson, who was becoming recognised as one of the best in the game. But the start of the campaign exceeded most people's expectations, as the Clarets dropped only 1 point from their first 5 games to lie second in the table behind 100% leaders Leeds. In that spell, there was 1 change from the side which had stayed unchanged through most of the promotion season, an injury to Mick Docherty in the opening game at Sheffield United letting in Peter Noble, who had been signed from Swindon in the close season. Noble went on to play the entire season at right-back, a position previously unfamiliar to him, and was consistent enough for his place never to be under threat.

A further change was necessary when Frank Casper was the victim of a bad tackle in the season's sixth game, against Tottenham. Fortunately, Burnley had a striker ready and able to step in in 17-year-old Ray Hankin, and the side's momentum was hardly disturbed. Fine performances throughout the first half of the season, during which the only serious setback was a home defeat by Third Division Plymouth in the third round of the League Cup, kept them on the heels of Leeds and Liverpool. The goalless draw against Leeds on the Turf drew a crowd of nearly 40,000, and the 2-1 win over Liverpool on Boxing Day confirmed Burnley as a side with realistic ambitions of a return to Europe.

Ten games without a win after that brought matters down to earth, but this spell coincided with a run to the semi-final of the F.A. Cup. The place in the last 4 was clinched by a memorable victory against Third Division giantkillers Wrexham, the recently recovered Casper scoring the only goal in front of a near-capacity Turf Moor crowd. 73/74 was not Casper's season, though... a week before the semi-final, he was the victim of a crude challenge by Leeds' notorious Norman Hunter, somewhat taking the edge off the Clarets' 4-1 win at Elland Road against the champions-elect. It was in this match that Paul Fletcher scored

with the bicycle kick which has gone into legend as one of the great Burnley goals. Casper was selected, perhaps unwisely, for the semi-final against Newcastle at Hillsborough. The key figure on the day, however, was Malcolm Macdonald, who gave Colin Waldron the runaround and scored both the Magpies' goals to end Claret dreams of Wembley. Newcastle also got the better of Burnley in the final of the Texaco Cup, an Anglo-Scottish affair and one of the earliest of the sponsored minor competitions. In the League, it came down to whether the Clarets could qualify for Europe with a top 5 placing, but failure to beat Newcastle (again) on the final day left them in a final position of 6th. It was disappointing in the end, but more than most would have expected from their first season back with the elite.

It was all bad news at the start of 1974/75. Only 1 point from the opening 4 games was bad enough, but nothing compared to the shock waves caused by the sale of captain Martin Dobson to Everton for £300,000. Dobson had recently been capped by England and was an obvious target for the bigger clubs, but there was a widespread feeling that he had been sold to help finance the newly-opened Brunshaw Road stand, named (ironically, many felt) the Bob Lord Stand. Dobson's midfield role was immediately taken over by Peter Noble, who promptly started scoring goals after failing to do so throughout his season at right-back. That position was taken over by Keith Newton, with Ian Brennan coming in on the left. Two other players establishing their first team credentials at this time were central defender Billy Rodaway, who temporarily displaced Jim Thomson, and the diminutive Brian Flynn, who combined with Noble in a more aggressive midfield unit. Flynn soon became a regular in the Welsh international side alongside his Burnley team-mate Leighton James.

Despite Dobson's departure, Burnley soon recovered from their poor start and established themselves as one of the First Division's most attack-minded sides... 4 players, James, Hankin, Noble and Fletcher, reached double figures in the League in 74/75. They again fell victim to a lower

division side in the League Cup, but as that side was Manchester United, who won a fine fourth round tie 3-2 at Old Trafford, there was little disgrace. The goals continued to flow in the League, Noble scoring his first hat-trick in a 4-1 win against his home-town club Newcastle, and by Christmas the Clarets were comfortably placed in the top half of the table.

Then came 4th January 1975. When the draw for the third round of the F.A. Cup paired Burnley with Southern League side Wimbledon at Turf Moor, the only question seemed to be whether the club record score of 9-0 would be beaten. But on the day, both the record and visiting goalkeeper Dickie Guy remained unbeaten, and the non-Leaguers, whose team included their future manager Dave Bassett, recorded one of the Cup's all-time shock results by winning 1-0. It was the first time the general football public had been made aware of Wimbledon, and the rest, as they say... Thankfully, the shock had no immediate effect on the Clarets' League progress, and by March they had risen to second place behind Everton and, in a particularly close-fought First Division campaign, were looking realistic contenders for the championship.

In the end, the club's lack of strength in depth rendered such ambitions too great. Injuries and suspensions took their toll, and the Easter games, including a 5-2 defeat at home to Derby, soon to be crowned champions, and a 4-2 loss at bottom club Carlisle, put paid to any lingering hopes. Although only 8 points off the pace at the end, Burnley finished 10th.

The summer of 1975 brought 2 veterans to Turf Moor. One was the former Burnley favourite Willie Morgan, returning 7 years after his move to Manchester United, and the other was Manchester City's former England international Mike Summerbee. The season started without Paul Fletcher, still injured from the previous season, but saw Mick Docherty back after starting only 1 game in each of the previous 2 campaigns. Early signs of promise revolved mainly around Peter Noble, who hit 3 in a 4-1 win against Middlesbrough and all 4 in a 4-4 draw with Norwich. But it was soon apparent that Burnley had problems as too many players failed to perform to their best. One of these was certainly Leighton James, who advertised his disenchantment in a Sunday newspaper article and soon afterwards achieved his wish of a £300,000 transfer to Derby, equalling the club record sale set by Dobson's move to Everton.

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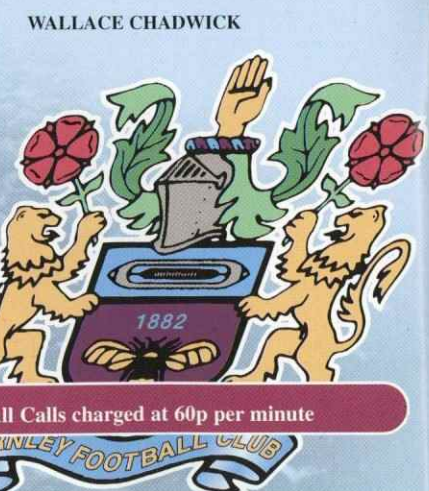
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Edward Heath MP, then leader of the Conservative Party, officially opened the Bob Lord Stand in September 1974 and he is pictured here in the foyer with Burnley Chairman Bob Lord. In the background it may look like the 1974/75 Clarets squad is providing a guard of honour, but it's just a huge picture that was displayed at the time.

With the side teetering on the brink of the relegation places, the League Cup brought some light relief, with a replay victory over Liverpool the highlight of a run to the quarter-finals, where Middlesbrough proved too strong. Frank Casper, back for the first time since the '74 Cup semi-final, scored a spectacular winner against Q.P.R., but his return was brief, and both his and Docherty's final Burnley appearances came in a January defeat at Norwich, Casper subsequently moving on to the coaching staff. A new low was reached when, following a reported dressing-room bust-up after a third round F.A. Cup defeat at Blackpool, Jimmy Adamson left the club he had served for 29 years as player, coach and manager. Into his place stepped his assistant Joe Brown, the man who had been in charge of the successful Youth Cup side of 1968.

Brown tried to halt the slide by breaking the club transfer record in signing winger Tony Morley, an England Under-23 international, from Preston, but Morley made little early impact and results failed to improve. Alan Stevenson lost his place in goal to Gerry Peyton, Peter Noble missed a large part of the season through injury, and there was reported dissent among the players, with Docherty, Colin Waldron and Doug Collins all apparently disenchanted by Adamson's departure and eventually leaving Turf Moor. Another player to leave was Morgan, whose return had never hinted at his former prowess. It was a recipe for relegation, and on Easter Monday 1976 the Turf's biggest crowd of the season, over 27,000, saw Manchester United's 1-0 win condemn Burnley to the Second

Division. It was a sad end to a period which had started so promisingly, but this disappointment was to pale into insignificance before much longer.



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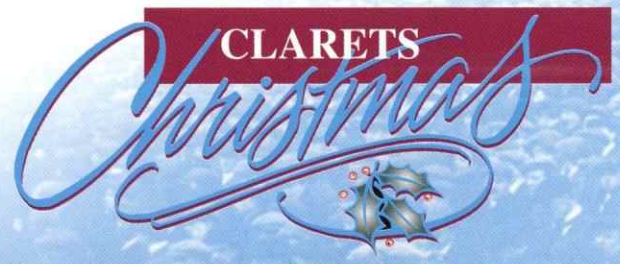
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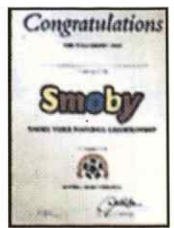
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The Smoby Table Competition is now in full swing across the country as the Football in the Community projects seek their local winners. The Grand Final is to be held at the Millennium Dome in April with the overall winner receiving the fantastic price of a day out at the club of their choice and the chance to see a top match with their family. Details of the Burnley F.C. winner will be shown in the next home match programme against Reading on 18th March but a big thank you to all those who have taken part so far.

WELCOME HOME CLACKERS

Our intrepid JCB's co-ordinator Neil Claxton is back in the office this week after being away for

a week with the Benjamin Hargreaves School of Accrington at Whitehough outward bound centre. I hope the children who went enjoyed Neil's company, we really missed you!!! I hope you managed to lose those trainers!

THAT'S AMAZING!

It's great to see ex-Claret and now groundsman at Turf Moor, Arthur Bellamy, has not lost any of his football prowess. In the leisure centre recently, Mark 'Bruno' Smedley was helping move some goalposts, Arthur using his football knowledge came up on Mark's blindside and when Mark pulled the post it hit Arthur in the eye, leaving him with a slight cut and a lovely shiner. Like a true pro, Arthur wiped away the blood and got on with the job in hand. Great pitch Arthur!

APPLICATION FORM

Please tick which course(s) you wish to attend

Easter Courses	
17th & 18th April	Turf Moor Leisure Centre [] Gawthorpe [] Centre Vale - Todmorden []
19th & 20th April	Park High School (Colne) [] Bradley C.P. 11am-2.30pm []
25th & 26th April	Stubbins C.P. 11am-2.30pm [] Gawthorpe [] Benjamin Hargreaves (Accrington) []
26th & 27th April	Turf Moor Leisure Centre []
27th & 28th April	Worsthorne C.P. []

Each child will need - correct clothing and footwear to suit the weather. Any Medication Required and loads of energy.

All courses will start at 10.00am and finish at 3.00pm (unless stated otherwise). The application form should be sent back to:- Soccer Schools, Burnley F.C. Community Programme, Turf Moor, Burnley, Lancashire BB10 4BX

ALL COURSES ARE £10 FOR 2 DAYS

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 Signed (parent) _____
 Date _____
 Amount Enclosed _____ Cash/Cheque

You will automatically be placed on the course of your choice unless notified. Please send a S.A.E. for a receipt

THURSDAY LEAGUES

THURSDAY INDOOR 5 V 5 PREMIER LEAGUE

Correct up until Thu 2nd Mar

	P	W	D	L	GD	Pts
Turf Moor News	3	3	0	0	+14	6
Ashworths	3	3	0	0	+5	6
Burnley Health Care	3	2	0	1	+5	4
Habergham Old Boys	3	2	0	1	+2	4
Free The Grampus	3	1	0	2	-1	2
Standard Lamp	3	1	0	2	-1	2
ELT	3	1	0	2	-3	2
Trelleborg	3	1	0	2	-7	2
E-Reg Coatings	3	1	0	2	-8	2
Bob Lord Sausage	3	0	0	3	-6	0

THURSDAY INDOOR 5 V 5 DIVISION 1 LEAGUE

	P	W	D	L	GD	Pts
Baltic Fleet	3	2	1	0	+6	5
Prairie Utd	2	2	0	0	+16	4
BPC	3	2	0	1	+3	4
DCFC	3	2	0	1	+3	4
Accy Clarets	3	1	2	0	+2	4
Brunshaw Uptowners	2	1	0	1	+7	2
Prairie FC	2	1	0	1	-3	2
Cotton On	3	1	0	2	-4	2
The Old Vic	3	1	0	2	-7	2
Park View	3	0	1	2	-6	1
Market Boyz	3	0	0	3	-17	0

Good evening to all Junior Claret & Blues who have come along to support the mighty Clarets in tonight's clash against Luton Town.

I hope you have enjoyed the activities which have been put on exclusively for you this season and there's more to come including the chance to be the mascot at the last home game of the season. When you receive your newsletter next week don't forget to vote in our first ever 'JC&Bs Player of the Season award' and you could be chosen to present it in person.

If you would like to join the JC&Bs until the end of the season why not contact me on 01282 700025 or pop into the Leisure Centre anytime.

Enjoy the Game

Neil
 JC&Bs Co-Ordinator

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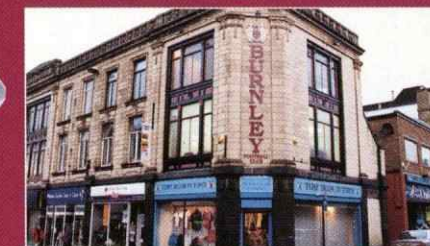
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INTERNATIONAL PLAYERS

By Ray Simpson
Burnley F.C.'s Official Historian

BRIAN PILKINGTON

Born Leyland, 12th February 1933

Brian Pilkington was serving his apprenticeship at Leyland Motors as a coach-painter when he joined Burnley in April 1951. Although fairly short and stocky, he had greatly impressed the Burnley scouts as a flying winger for the Leyland Motors team. He made his First Division debut in September 1952 at White Hart Lane coming in on the Clarets left wing for Billy Elliott, away representing the Football League. Although Burnley lost the match 2-1, Pilkington's performance against the England right back Alf Ramsey, was sufficiently impressive to make Clarets manager Frank Hill realise he might soon have a selection problem. Sure enough, after just a handful of first team games during that season, Hill felt so confident of the young winger's ability that Billy Elliott was sold to Sunderland for a big fee in the summer of 1953. Pilkington's immediately became a first team regular, his fast direct wing play on the left flank ensuring that the departed Elliott, hugely popular with the Turf Moor crowd, was not missed. Pilkington's was a direct style and he contributed nine goals during his first

season, strangely all were at Turf Moor.

He soon caught the eye of the international selectors and, in March 1954, won his first representative honour, collecting an England 'B' cap in a 1-1 draw against Scotland 'B' at Sunderland's Roker Park. In October that year, he played his only full international, coming on for Tom Finney on England's left wing in a 2-0 victory against Northern Ireland in Belfast.

One of the football's household names of the next decade also made his full international debut that day, his name was Don Revie.

Brian Pilkington missed very few matches during his First Division career at Turf Moor, his sheer consistency week in week out proving invaluable as the Clarets progressed on through the late 50s, moving exorably towards the League Championship.

So it was that, in early May 1960, on that fateful evening at Maine Road in front of nearly 66,000 fans, the Clarets lined up for a date with destiny, with only a victory being good enough to bring that famous old trophy back to Turf Moor. Within four minutes of the kick off, Brian Pilkington himself

had given Burnley the lead, cutting in from the left and shooting home across the diving Bert Trautman. City equalised but the title was won when Trevor Meredith netted the all important second goal.

The following season was to be Pilkington's last at Turf Moor. He was a regular up until the turn of the year, but then began to be faced with the challenge of Gordon Harris. After scoring two goals in Burnley's epic victory against Hamburg at Turf Moor in the European Cup, he was suddenly on his way signing for Bolton in March 1961.

He spent three years at Burnden Park, but with Wanderers on their way out of the top flight, was transferred to Bury in February 1964. After a year, he joined Fourth Division Barrow, and before retiring from senior football at 34, was able to help his last League club to promotion to Division Three in May 1967. He returned to play for Leyland Motors before taking over as manager and later had a spell as manager of Chorley. Brian Pilkington still lives in Leyland and is a frequent and very welcome visitor to Turf Moor. Burnley League record - 300 appearances, 67 goals

KICK IT OUT CAMPAIGN

Burnley Football Club will not tolerate racism in the form of obscene language, racial abuse and racist chanting. Any spectator who is caught using such language could be arrested or ejected from the ground.

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started work in her new
post just over a week ago,
but she knows the place
well and is looking
forward to the challenge
that awaits her.

Having earned a Sport
and Fitness Science
degree at Luton in 1997,
she has since been
working her way up the
fitness ladder.

Rachel, who is from
Burnley, attended
Towneley High School
and St Theodore's Sixth
Form, before working
towards her BSC in
Bedford.

She then worked at Turf
Moor when the centre

first opened, and was
Centre Assistant before
moving in 1998 to
Classic World of Fitness
in town as a Gym
Instructor.

She was then Senior
Instructor and Gym
Manager before moving

***"There should be
two new rooms at
the centre by
April, with new
equipment..."***

back to Turf Moor.

At the moment, Rachel is
working "whatever hours
I have to", but the job is
something she very much
enjoys.

She is keen to help
upgrade the centre and
boost the number of
activities available.

She said: "We are trying

to get all systems and
procedures working.

"We want to expand and
hopefully become a
members-only club, and
just make people aware
that we are here.

"We are working on an
all-inclusive membership,
with one-on-one personal
training programmes,
new equipment, aerobics,
saunas and sunbeds.

"There should be 2 new
rooms at the centre by
April, with new
equipment, and we are
trying to boost our

membership by
generating new clients -
friends of current
members and so on.

"We are trying to bring
variety to the
membership for the
clients."

Anyone interested in any
activities should contact
the centre on 700081.



Good evening and welcome back to Turf Moor for this evening's fixture against Luton Town.

er the Clarets
appointing reserve defeat
ome to Birmingham City
Clarets travelled the short
tance to Deepdale for the
ni derby against Preston
rth End which was
itched from their usual
ue at Bamber Bridge due
a waterlogged pitch. The
me side fielded a very
ong line-up with a front
e fit for any Nationwide
vision 2 side of Nogan,
sham and new signing
ett Angell while the Clarets
lded a very youthful line-

**PRESTON N.E. RES 2
BURNLEY RES 2**

wonder strike from
mmon Kelly from a fully
rty yards silenced a crowd
just over four hundred at
epdale to give the Clarets
share of the points in this
ni-derby. The home side
lded a team that resembled
e Nationwide League never
nd reserve team football,

Preston struck the first blow
on 27 minutes when Ludden
fed Basham on the edge of
the area the lively striker
turned to hit a well placed
curling drive past the helpless
Mawson. The Clarets efforts
on goal in the first period
where limited with Clark
hitting two tame shots
straight at the keeper and just
before the break Lucas in the
Preston goal made a first
class save denying Kevan
from close range.

After the break the youthful
looking Clarets line up came
more into the game and after
good efforts from Devenney
and Kelly they drew level on
67 minutes, Kelly sent
Shandran through on goal
and after Ludden brought
down the young striker Alex
Kevan sent the keeper the
wrong way from the resulting
spot kick.

Ex-Claret Gary Parkinson
regained the Lilywhites lead
on seventy five minutes with
a glorious strike from a free-
kick which flashed through
the Clarets wall deep into the
corner of the net but again
the young Clarets fought
back and two minutes later
were level with the best goal

of the game.

Eammon Kelly picked up the
ball in midfield and from
fully thirty yards looked up
and hit a wonderful strike
giving Lucas no chance as
the ball sailed into the
keeper's top right hand corner
of the net.

Kurt Nogan thought he had
sealed all three points for the
home side in the final five
minutes but his headed effort
was ruled out for offside
which would have been an
injustice for the young
Clarets who must look back
on this game as an excellent
point against a far more
experienced team.

BURNLEY: Mawson, Scott,
Devenney, Williamson,
Heywood, Harrison, Bowden
(Leeson), Kelly, Shandran,
Clark, Kevan

PRESTON: Lucas,
Parkinson, Ludden (King),
Darby, Kidd (Murphy),
Dawes, Cartwright,
McKenna, Nogan, Angell,
Basham (Eaton)

Dave Cairns

RESERVE team
boss Mick
Docherty was
delighted with his young
charges for their recent
Pontins League
performance at Preston
and wants them to aim
for those high standards
for the remainder of the
campaign.

Only Gerry Harrison in
the Clarets line-up had
extensive Football
League experience,
compared with a Preston
side that would hold its
own in Division Two
thanks to players like
Steve Basham, Kurt
Nogan, Lee Cartwright,
Ryan Kidd, Gary
Parkinson and Paul
McKenna.

Twice Burnley went
behind but replied with

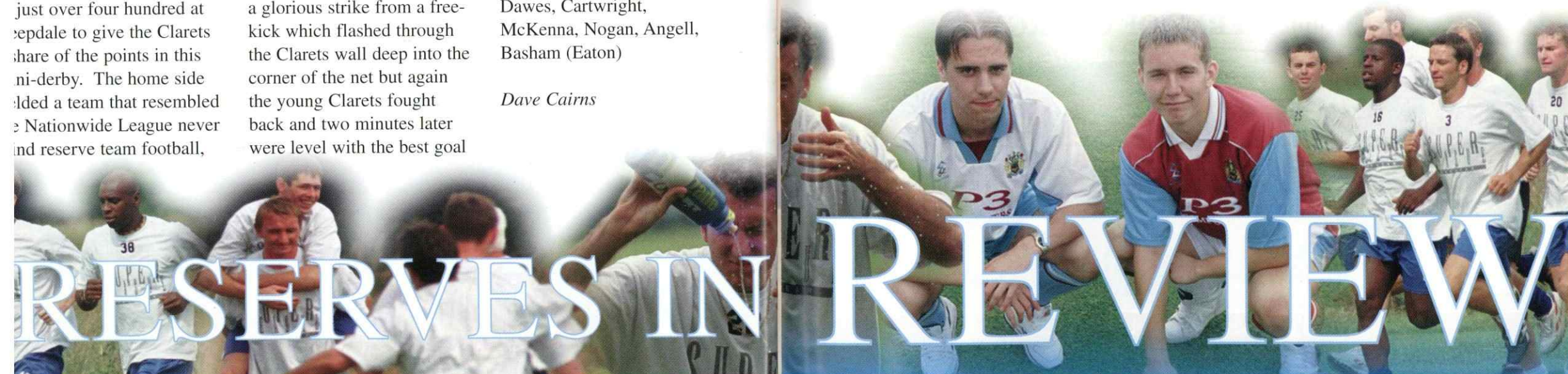
an Alex Kevan penalty
and then a thunderbolt
from Eammon Kelly.
"Considering the side
Preston had out, our lads
passed the ball well and
showed a maturity
beyond their years.
"The standard they
showed was the standard
we want to play at and it
was great to see them get
a result. If Eammon's
goal had been on
television they would
have been raving about
it," said Docherty, who is
currently also helping our
Stan Ternent with the
senior side as Sam Ellis
recuperates from a back
problem.

As the Clarets' promotion
bid hots up and the senior
games come thick and
fast, it's likely that the

reserves may take on a
more youthful look again
to avoid the risk of
injuries.

"I'm not bothered about
that," Docherty added.
"With young players you
get peaks and troughs but
I'm hoping that as they
have played to that
standard on this occasion,
there's no reason why
they can't do that again."
The reserves' next
assignment comes
tomorrow night when
they entertain Lincoln
City in a re-arranged
League Cup game here at
Turf Moor.

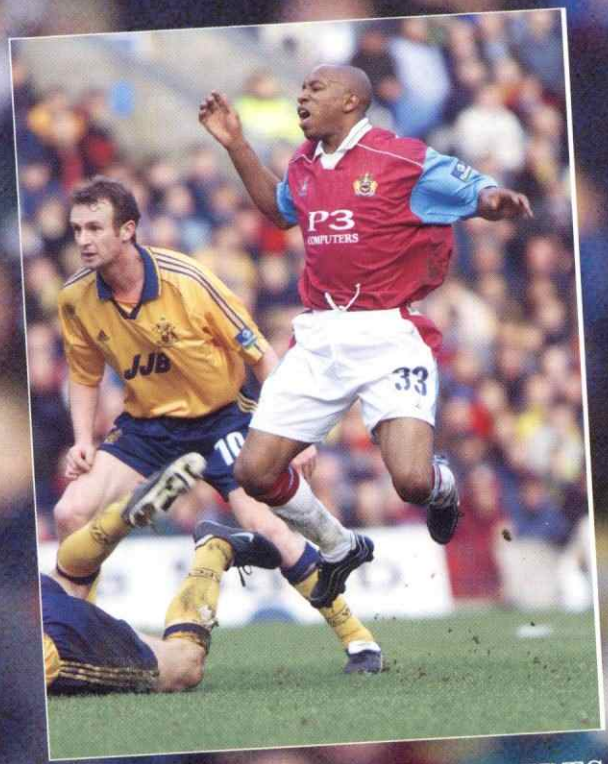
Burnley need a point to
go through to the knock-
out stages, where they
would play against
Oldham Athletic later this
month.



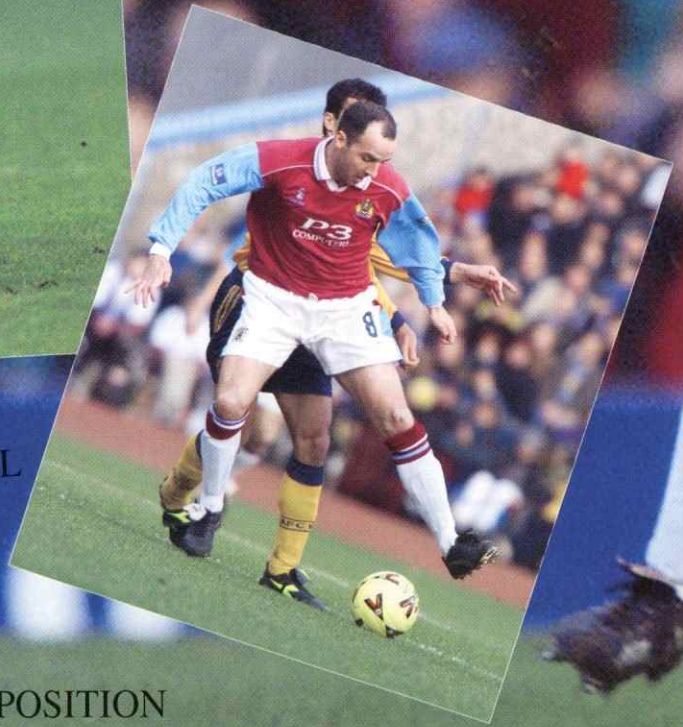


IAN COX SHOWS HIS PACE WITH THE BALL

COOK SHIELDS THE BALL FROM THE OPPOSITION



WRIGHT FOULED BY ROBERTS



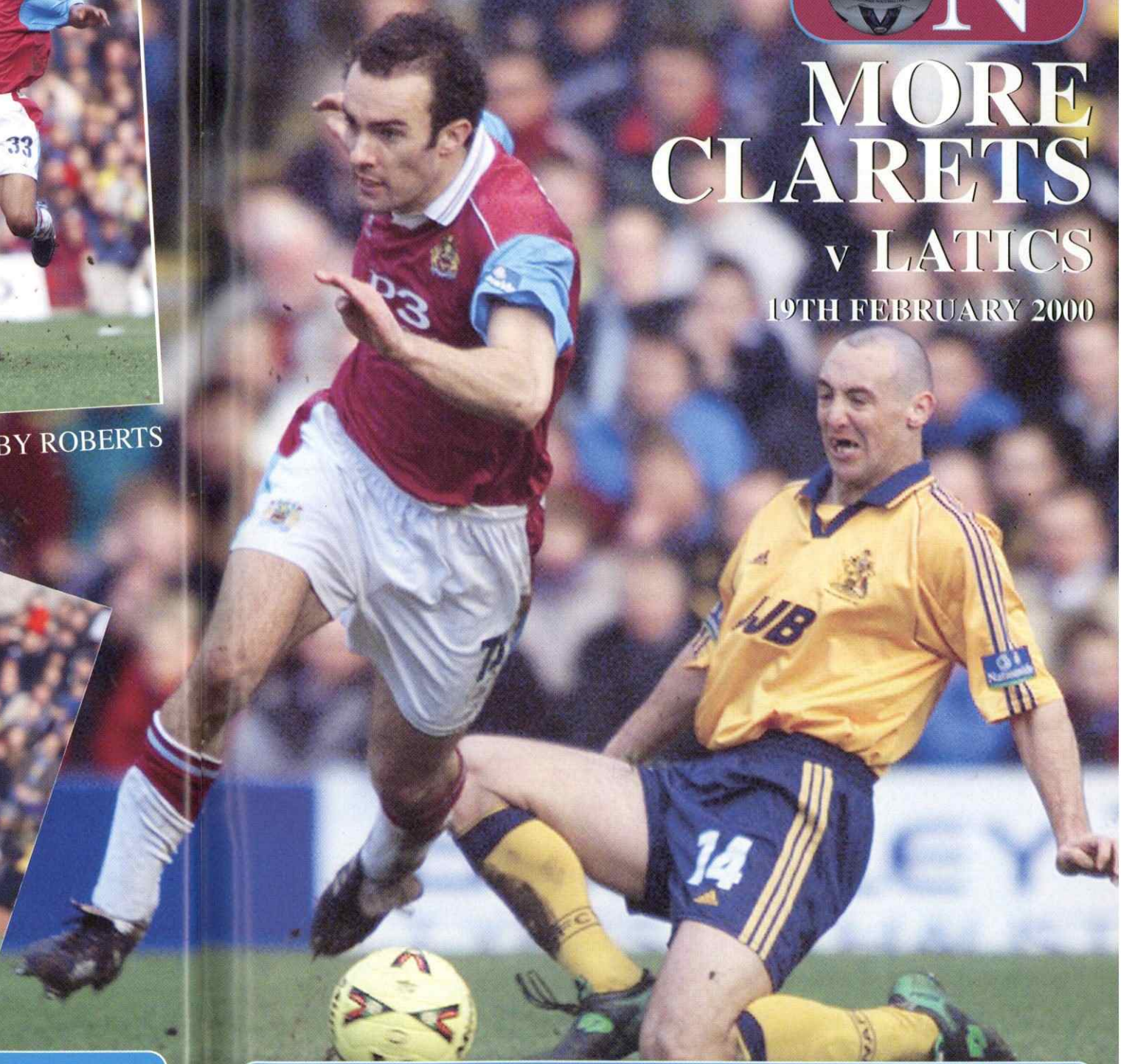
BRANCH EVADES TACKLE FROM WIGAN'S SCOTT GREEN



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FROM THE BOX OFFICE

CONCESSIONARY TICKETS!

May we remind you that concessionary admission is not available by payment on the turnstiles. All concessionary tickets must be purchased from the ticket office. Tickets go on sale 3 weeks prior to matchday. To avoid queues please do not leave it to the last moment to purchase your concessionary tickets. If you do you might be faced by a queue.

SEAT UPGRADES AND TRANSFERS

Would customers please note that the provision of upgrades and transfers will cease at 12 noon before a Saturday game and 5pm before a midweek game.

WREXHAM VERSUS BURNLEY

Racecourse Ground
Saturday 11th March 2000
Kick-off 3pm
 This is an all ticket game for Burnley supporters. 3000 tickets have been allocated and will be available to season ticket holders on production of voucher "N" from today Tuesday 22nd February. Season ticket holder's priority sales period from today until the 4th March. Any remaining tickets will go on general sale from 9.15am Monday 6th March. Prices: £12 Adults £7 Concessions
 Disabled supporters facilities to be booked directly with Wrexham F.C. on 01978 262129

BLACKPOOL VERSUS BURNLEY

Bloomfield Road
Tuesday 21st March
Kick-off 7.45pm
 This game is all ticket for Burnley supporters. 2500 terrace tickets have been allocated and will be available to season ticket holders on production of voucher "P" from 9.15am Monday 6th. Season ticket holder's priority sales period 6th March to 11th March. Any remaining tickets will go on general sale from 9.15am Monday 13th March. Prices: £10 Adults £5 Concessions
 Disabled supporters facilities to be booked directly with Blackpool F.C. on 01253 404331

GILLINGHAM VERSUS BURNLEY

Priestfield Stadium
Tuesday 14th March
Kick-off 7.45pm
 This is an all ticket game for Burnley supporters. 1100 have been allocated and will be available to season ticket holders on production of voucher "Q" from 9.15am Monday 28th February. Season ticket holders priority sales period from 28th February to 8th March. Any remaining tickets will go on general sale from 9th March.

FORTHCOMING HOME FIXTURES

Burnley versus Reading
 Saturday 18th March 2000
 Kick-off 3pm
Burnley versus Bury
 Saturday 25th March 2000
 Kick-off 3.00pm
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SEASON TICKET HOLDERS

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Priestfield Stadium
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NEXT UP AT TURF MOOR... READING



The duo have stopped the rot, but Reading's away form remains poor...

Then after a period of consolidation, new boss Alan Pardew recently splashed out £800,000 on Cambridge striker Martin Butler, who has marked his arrival with a couple of goals. In total he's scored 21 times this season, most of which came before he left the Abbey Stadium after United's FA Cup adventure came to an end. The 25-year old striker, who rejected the chance to join Preston, scored 17 goals to help Cambridge to promotion last season and is highly rated. And Reading will be looking to Butler and Nicky Forster to help them climb away from relegation danger.

Former Birmingham striker Forster moved to the Madejski Stadium earlier in the season for £500,000 and is a useful performer, although he has only found



Reading aren't out of the woods yet but they have managed to put a bit of daylight between themselves and the bottom four in recent weeks. And one thing they haven't topped doing is spending money. Manager Tommy Burns departed after his big money buys failed to turn the Royals into promotion contenders.

the net half-a-dozen times in the league for his new club. Midfield man Darren Caskey is the Royals' leading scorer with 10 Second Division goals and 16 in total, including a number from the penalty spot, and is one of the club's most influential players.

The former Spurs man is confident on the ball with the canny knack of arriving in the box at just the right time. Having stepped down a level or two to kick-start his career, the former England youth international has been attracting interest with his recent displays and he could be the subject of transfer enquiries before the deadline later this month.

Pardew is in his first managerial job after stepping up following Burns' departure and was initially assisted by John Gorman.



However, when Gorman departed to join Glenn Hoddle at Southampton, former Crystal Palace and Charlton midfielder Pardew appointed Reading-born former West Ham and QPR midfielder Paul Allen as his number two.

The duo have stopped the rot, but Reading's away form remains poor and before Saturday they had shipped

more goals away from home - 38 - than anyone else in the division.

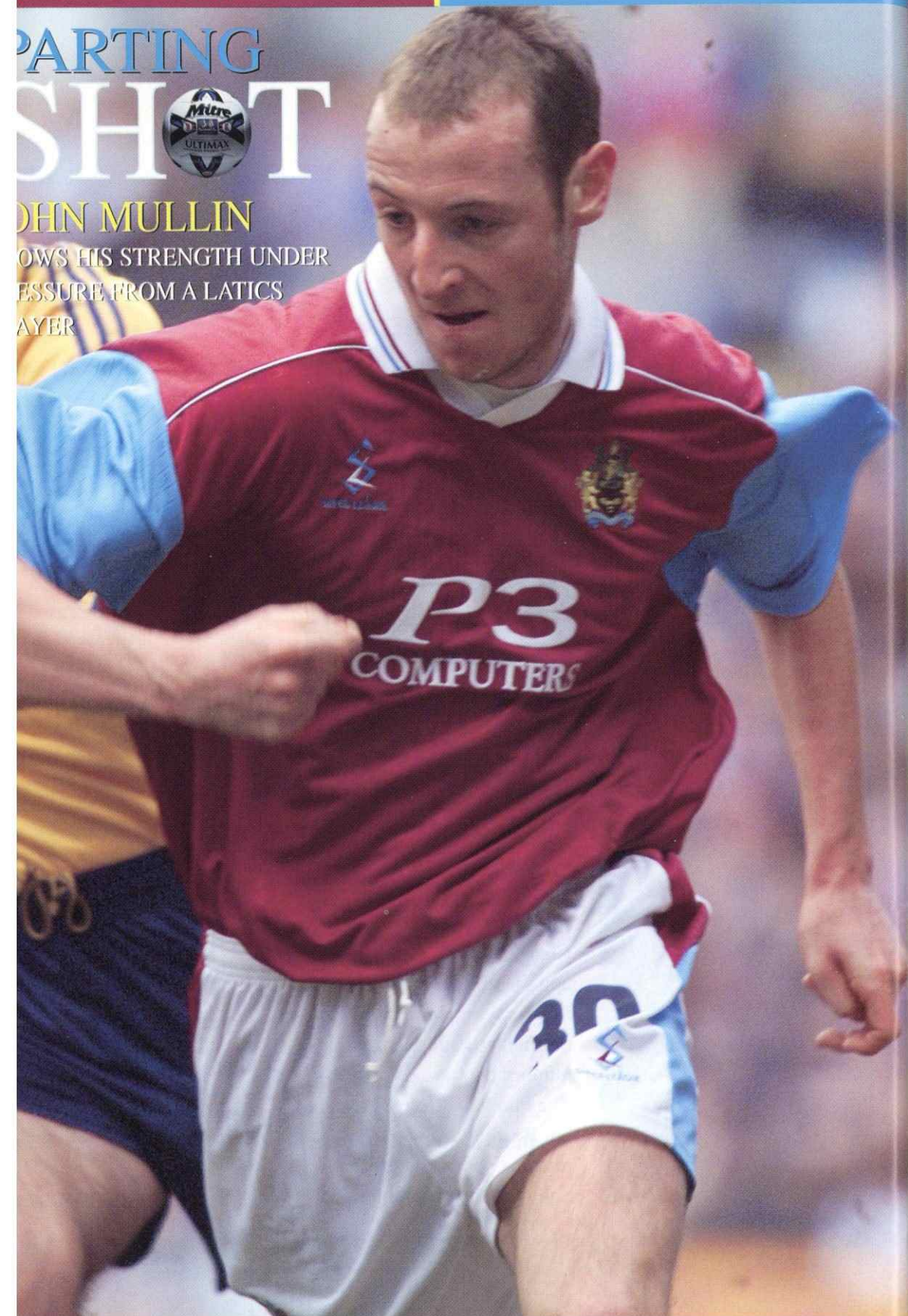
Scottish under-21 goalkeeper Scott Howie is the man charged with trying to improve that record behind a defence that includes Northern Ireland international Barry Hunter and Welsh cap Adrian Williams, but not former Burnley schoolboy Chris Casper whose season has been ended by injury. Alongside Caskey in midfield there is further experience in former Celtic man Peter Grant and tough-tackling skipper Phil Parkinson. On paper Reading should be one of the better sides in the division. But it will be next season now before they have a chance of proving that.



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Steve DAVIS	5
Gordon ARMSTRONG	6
Glen LITTLE	7
Paul COOK	8
Andy COOKE	9
Andy PAYTON	10
Lenny JOHNROSE	11
Ronnie JEPSON	12
Craig MAWSON	13
Chris BRASS	14
Graham BRANCH	15
Tom COWAN	16
Paul SMITH	17
Paul WELLER	18
Mark ROBERTSON	19
Bradley MAYLETT	20
Chris SCOTT	21
John WILLIAMSON	22
Matthew HEYWOOD	23
Michael DEVENNEY	24
Alex KEVAN	26
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Ian COX	32
Ian WRIGHT	33

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Tonight's Officials

Referee:

MR. P.S. DANSON
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Mr Danson is a Business Development Manager and is married with two sons. He began refereeing in 1972/73 and has been a Premier League referee for the last three seasons.

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10 Michael McINDOE	
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12 Gary DOHERTY	
13 Stuart FRASER	
14 Andrew FOTIADIS	
15 Matthew TAYLOR	
16 Landry ZAHANA-ONI	
17 Emmerson BOYCE	
18 Tresor KANDOL	
19 James AYRES	
20 Jerry MOSES	
21 Andre SCARLETT	
22 Daniel TATE	
23 Jude STIRLING	
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