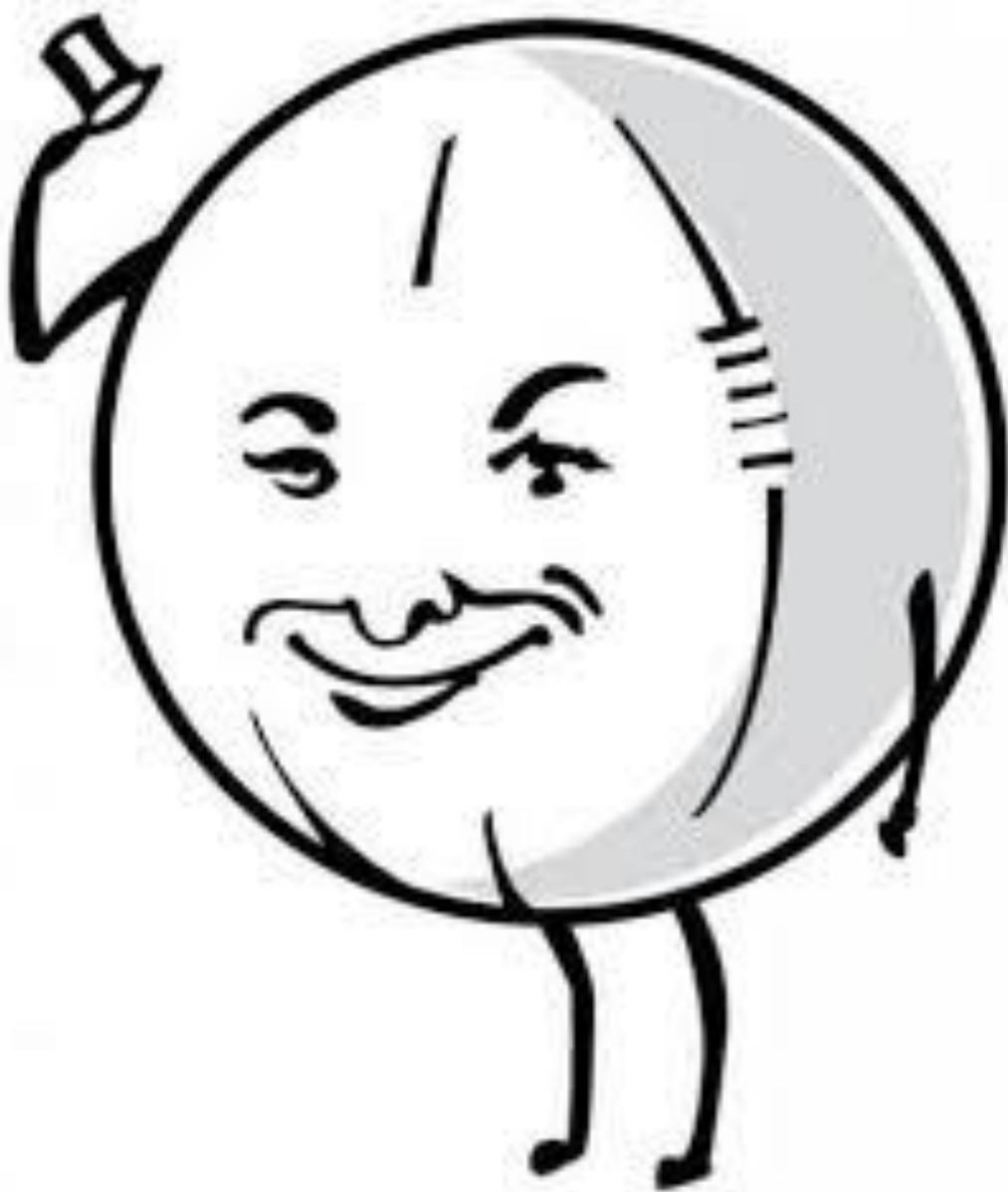


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# ***Wear Down South***

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## **Editor's Bit**

Phew! There was me worried that I wouldn't get enough material to do an issue to celebrate our promotion...in the end I was deluged.

Your response has been amazing, so thank you all for your input. It's been (despite the many swear words at a slow pc and misbehaving photos shooting everywhere across the pages during editing) a real pleasure to read your stories and see your pictures from the big day,

And oh me of little faith – the eternal pessimist (and after an up-and-down season, when all seemed lost at one point) I never believed we'd actually win a playoff final at Wembley.

As it turned out, with hindsight, we had a fairly comfortable win on the day. But how important was Patrick Roberts' last minute goal in the semi-final second leg?

Just imagine if we'd gone to extra time, I feel faint at the thought...

I'm deliberately not thinking about next season yet, but let's not get relegated again, eh?

League One is a nice(-ish) place to visit, but I wouldn't want to live there.

***Eileen***

*Next issue whenever-ish - All contributions are always very welcome*



*Posted on Instagram by KLD, 15th May 2022*

*- thanks to Karen Turner*

Instagram



Liked by **michael\_1908** and **3,873 others**

**kyrillouisdreyfus** An unforgettable win at Wembley Stadium and our promotion back to the Championship - what a way to end our first season.

I would like to thank all our fans around the world that have continued to support our club throughout what has been a difficult few years. Saturday was for you and together we achieved our goal.

I commend our players and first-team staff for a great season and also thank all of our employees, who work so hard every day and give everything for the club. Without you, this success would not have been possible.

I hope you all enjoy a fantastic summer and I look forward to seeing you back at the Stadium of Light for the start of our Championship journey.

We will always keep going **#TilTheEnd**.

KLD

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**alexandra.louisdreyfus** Congratulations 🏆🏈 Proud of you Hubby ! Haway The Lads ❤️🇬🇧



kyrillouisdreyfus



- thanks to Karen

*Hi Eileen - Great idea, let's make the most of our success!*

*After all the disappointments of our trips to Wembley and coming away feeling low, I had made up my mind that I wasn't going to go through all that again and this time I was going to stay at home and watch it on the box.*

*As a Sunderland supporter for 73 years it has never been easy supporting the lads, too many disappointments. As the time drew nearer for the tickets to be released, my love for the club took over and I changed my mind and bought 3 tickets, I just felt that times were changing and that if I didn't go I'd be missing out.*

*In fact I started to feel confident that we would win and break the Wembley curse. We were playing more like a team and it showed. The day was fantastic, so many supporters making Wembley a home tie.*

*The team responded with that support and could have won by more, but I'll take 2.0. I took our flag down, which is always on display at the Roker End for luck. I have attached a picture of it with my son Barry and a few friends. The journey home, unlike previous trips was full of praise for, the manager, players and all those connected with the team. In fact it made the trip seem shorter. I loved it and since returning home have not stopped looking at the highlights and reading all the reviews.....I need to have a word with myself.....  
P.S. My wife and I made the flag*

**Roy Mills**





*My new favourite picture of all time, pic of me and my Dad here (Alex and Jamie Gurnett) both life long Sunderland supporters from Chelmsford Essex.*

*Suffered through the tough times, like us all but next season can't come soon enough, things can only get better!*

**Alex**

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I live in Stanmore - it was painted red & white for the day on Saturday - great day!

**Clive Goodman**



*Me, my Dad and sister at the Trafalgar party on Friday night.*

It's difficult to put into words just how special this weekend was. I first moved to London and joined the Branch in 2017, just in time for the humiliating nosedive and subsequent years of stagnation in League One. Through gallows humour and many, many beers, we've managed to have some great laughs in that time, but it's all been underpinned by the feeling of sadness and disbelief that our beloved club has fallen so far, so quickly.

This weekend was the moment of catharsis that we were yearning for. The pre-match party in Trafalgar Square felt somehow different this time. There was a real feeling of belief in the air; not arrogance or entitlement, but a belief that had been created by Alex Neil's resilient, determined side over the previous months.

I was lucky enough to watch the game with my Dad, who'd hardly missed a home game all season, and had been kind enough to purchase my away tickets to let me spend small fortunes following the Lads around the country. Singing our victory songs together with the legions of fans at the end was a moment that I'll cherish forever. I couldn't be prouder to be part of the club after the way our fans conducted themselves through the whole weekend, showing passion and support for the club while respecting the opposition, the police, and the host city I've come to love.

Given that Sunderland traditionally have an aversion to stress-free seasons, I honestly think next year could either be a nail-biting fight against relegation or a push for a second promotion. If we can keep Alex Neil and the likes of Ross Stewart, add some more Championship quality and experience in key areas, and get the fanbase fully behind the team the way we have in the last few months, I see no reason why it can't be the latter.

**Ha'way the Lads,  
Ben James**

*Hi!*

*A small contribution: with photo!*

*Ireland was where I grew up, then family moved to London. Junior school mates pestered me to support Spurs or Arsenal , but as a six year old I fell in love with those red and white stripes: a life-long love affair!*

*Then teen years in Wycombe, and went with family to watch Wycombe Wanderers win the amateur FA footie cup: only a fling was this!*

*Life carried on, with my picking up on my tiny transistor radio the awesome FA cup win of 1973 , when working in Africa! Awesome....*

*Life went on more, with lotsa overseas travelling and finding footie results weeks later there too. Then Uni lecturing, in UK, and minor flings with Reading and Portsmouth...and sad as Sunderland tumbled.. but glad Ian Mole sorted termly trips to Stadium of Light to keep the faith!*

*With free coffee on the train too...*

*Now in Exeter, pleased for Exeter City yes, but sooo DELIGHTED that we are now finally promoted, and Spurs and Arsenal ..well here we come again!*

*Life is suddenly ten notches brighter, and I've even got a mate here whose Uncle was an ardent Sunderland fan, and who passed onto me his 1973 match scarf for my birthday!*

*Onwards and upwards!*

**Mic (Morgan)**





On Our Way - *Paul Swinney*



## WDS QUIZ CORNER!

A little something extra to keep you occupied until the fixture list (FOR THE CHAMPIONSHIP!!!) are out.

**Below is compiled by Ken Johnson. Answers on p.45**

*Can you give the surnames of the ex - SAFC players from the following cryptic clues. There are 24, all of whom played international football, before, during or after their SAFC career. One begins with the letter "A", one begins with the letter "B" and so on, up to, and including, one beginning with the letter "Z", with the exception of any player beginning with the letter U or X. The 24 answers are NOT in alphabetical order.*

1	Preserves, including a drug.	
2	Viking, for example, without seeing the home counties, will get him.	
3	Buddhism, for example, next to the lair.	
4	Silver catcall with musical note sees him appear.	
5	Black German.	
6	Won the Ligue 1 in France in 97-98.	
7	Standard king goes to Orient.	
8	Kings of England.	
9	Crossing from this striker.	
10	Operate the engine with increased speed, that is.	
11	The second half of seeing meat.	
12	Pisa, Blackpool, Eiffel	
13	Assembly of bricks first class	
14	Meaty-sounding man	
15	Creator of the adventurous Crusoe	
16	About Irish lake.	
17	Saying yes in Germany after informally seeing mother.	
18	French asking who has two directions.	
19	First name of 21's son.	
20	The compiler of this quiz and the short editor in New York.	
21	Chocolate bar without Roman one.	
22	Stage for him to get upset.	
23	Nil, rabbit-like appearance.	
24	Sounds like he might have needed the dough.	

# The League One Years

from Tom Ruxton

1. Which player scored a hat trick for and against Sunderland in League one?
2. Which 2 other players also scored hat tricks in the last 4 seasons. (Note one player in the Carabao cup)?
3. Against which side did Sunderland play in their away kit at the SOL?
4. Which 3 sides knocked Sunderland out of the FA Cup in the last 4 years?
5. Name the 4 players who were the top league goal scorers in the four years of League one?
6. What did Goal Keeper Jon McLaughlin do in a game v Fleetwood in September 2018, which had not been done since Tony Norman in 1989?
7. Which side beat Sunderland 3 times out of 4 in home league games at their home ground, losing only once. Which was a game played in the Covid season behind closed doors?
8. Cambridge United defeated Newcastle 1 0 at St James Park in the FA Cup last season. What was the score in League one game at the SOL in their return to the North East?
9. The following players came to Sunderland on loan from which clubs?
  - a) Jimmy Dunne
  - b) Laurens De Bock
  - c) Dion Sanderson
  - d) Frederik Alves
10. Which Sunderland manager won most games in League one?

**Answers on p.45**

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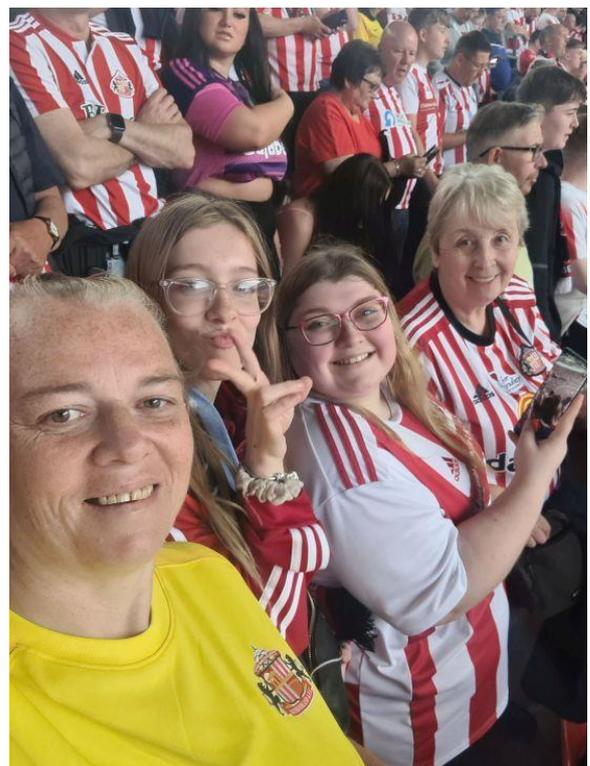
*Sunderland at Wembley a day in May,  
Could we win? we had to pray,  
A Durham boy scores no. One,  
A 2nd goal, the job is done!  
Championship! Championship! We're on our way!  
Shout! Shout! Shout! Ha'way! Ha'way!,*

**In memory of all the Sunderland supporters who are no longer with us.**

**Ann Fish**

*We are so proud of our lads and the supporters was an outstanding,unforgettable experience.. I've not stopped smiling.. I went with my mam, daughter, brother and niece and there was defo tears of joy..The atmosphere was like no other... With the fight and determination from our boys they will definitely be up on the top side of the Championship next season... Roll on new season #sunderlandtillidie #proudnorthener*

***Leann Hogg***



*In 1985 I moved south for work from John Kay territory, Great Lumley and lived in Swindon in a shared rented house. The landlord a Marlborough School drop out keen on motorbikes slept in the garage utility room collecting income from the rest of us to finance his habits. My year in Swindon was interesting, a new job, pub crawls done by taxi and there was only one curry house. The table by the door was our post pub crawl table of choice for obvious reasons.*

*My family moved down in 1986 and we settled in Oxford leading to another job change and I eventually became an Oxford Season Ticket holder (love the football atmosphere away days and it's a little closer to home) but have never forgotten or relinquished my preferred Sunland allegiance. Following Oxford and Sunderland led to three trips to Wembley two with Oxford and one with the lads. In all cases I watched the games from the Wembley East Stand. In all cases the other teams won! So this season it was Wembley again, this would be my fourth visit. Wembley is no fun being on the losing side so I resigned myself to not going this time, the memories were too painful so a TV watch would do me fine. As the date of the final loomed a classic U turn resulted in a purloined ticket.*

*The train from Oxford to Paddington gradually filled with folks including a smattering of red and whites many of whom either drove down on the day to an outlying station or stayed in cheaper hotels to commute in. We agreed to meet at the Green Man before the game along with 1000 or so others where a promised ticket was presented. In spite of crap lager at £6/pint and £11 burgers the atmosphere was amazing. The anticipation of a win was palpable spirits were high. At 2.15 or so a stroll to the ground was in order.*

*Before kick-off the Wycombe line up of players were glancing around seemingly startled by the noise from the Sunderland end. The guy next to me said, 'See them look round, they're beat already, intimidated, they are beat, we will win this'. Soon after kick off, the Pritch free kick hit the side netting. From the angle of our view, we thought it was a goal - loud celebrations. Flying liquids landed in our hair, clothes wherever. The Embo goal settled things down and the rest of the first half passed without adverse incident.*

*Another couple of beers at half-time made it up to a gallon plus hence the second half was a bit of a blur. When the second goal went in there was such a release of tension the noise cranked up some decibels, shirts came off songs were sung and the final whistle sealed the win.*

*The West Stand proved lucky. I had also accidentally pulled one red sock on inside out. Our lucky day? Not so, there was no luck about it, we were by far the better team overall with the better players. Wycombe did not really turn up. A top up in the Paddington Mad Bishop and Bear then a slow train journey enlivened by a group of young women who seemed to find my seriously dishevelled state highly amusing. Arriving home the smile told my Mrs it was a good day, she suggested though I look in the mirror, the bit hair I have left was sticking up Mohican style, the result of flying (hopefully) lemonade over the Pritch goal that never was. No wonder the lasses on the Train had a laugh at my expense!*

*Visiting my local on Sunday, congratulations from Oxford supporting mates were freely and happily proffered in my direction, the eyes however gave a slightly different story. Envy and admiration on our confirmed promotion? The 1-2 victory at the Grenoble Road three sided Stadium that helped seal our playoff place whist effectively ending theirs? Who knows.*

*I didn't really care. I will miss the Oxford Sunderland games and the banter but this Wembley trip was the best football away day ever. One I will never forget.*

**Alan (Blackburn)**

*...meeting up with old friends ,  
making new friends with the friendly  
Wycombe fans before and after the  
match... very happy and relieved  
and a super day out.*

*8th time lucky!*

***Debra Scott***





*We were at a wedding!*

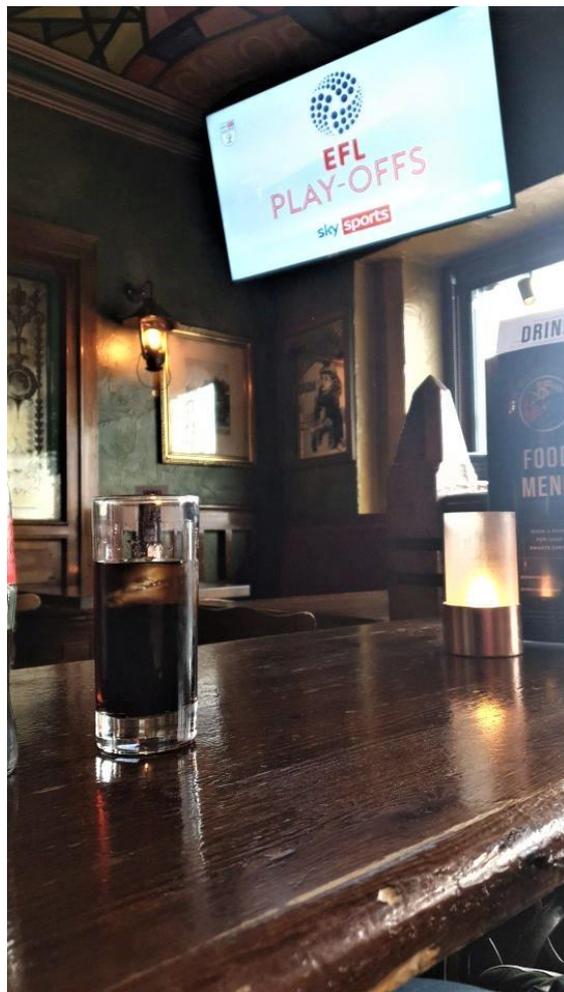
***Linda Woolston.....(Matt's Aunty)***

*New member so looking forward to next season even more!*

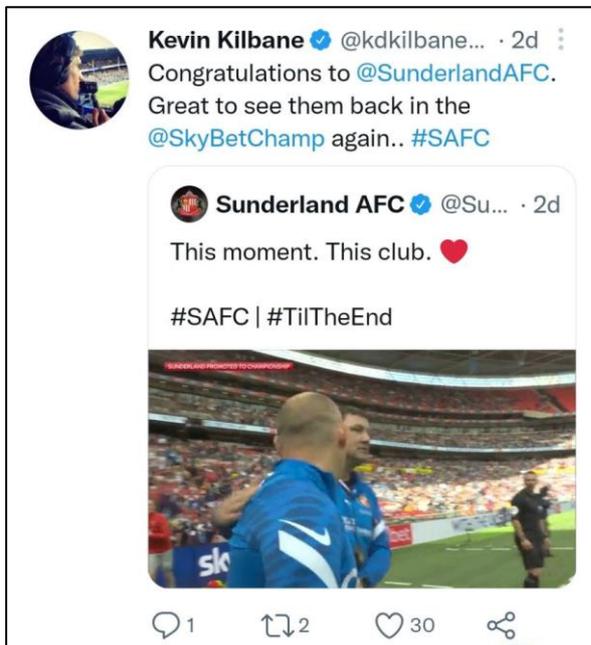
*I was on a badly timed holiday to Copenhagen for the final so couldn't join my dad and brother at Wembley. Shared the most stressful 2 hours of my life with a handful of Danish fans at the Globe Irish pub instead!*

*Very glad of the company and even happier with the result*

***Emma Revell***



# Ex-Lads tweet...



all tweets thanks to Karen

# A Family Affair

*Well where do I begin?!*

*A magical day from start to finish & beyond.  
A day of passion, emotion, tears & laughter.  
A day shared with the best supporters ever.*

*A day making new friends & watching fans of all ages create the best atmosphere I have ever experienced. I was lucky enough to go to Wembley with my youngest son Hayden & it's a day we will never forget.*

*My wider family, all avid Mackems, were watching from various places although it felt like we were all there together, including my Dad Arthur & Brother Trevor, no longer with us on earth but definitely in Spirit, hence my frequent glances to the skies!*

*And lastly our newest family member, my Grandson Arthur-James born 29th January 2022 who will undoubtedly be told all about the day for years to come. The future is looking bright, red & white!*

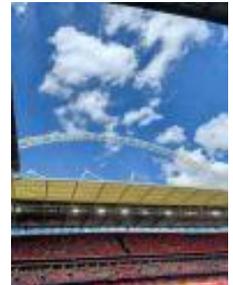


*Arthur Campbell*



*Sarah and  
Hayden and  
Baby Arthur*

*Sarah Meyrick*



*Baby Arthur dreaming of Sunderland  
- from Lesley Campbell and Ian Durban*

*My Girlfriend and I watched the match in the Old Walnut Tree in Southend with my family and friends while my Mum and Brother we're lucky enough to get tickets!*

*This was the first time watching us at Wembley for my 4 month old son Arthur-James who was named after my Grandad Arthur Campbell who was born and bred in Sunderland and a proud Mackem. Even though my Grandad is no longer with us he has left a lasting legacy on me after teaching me all about what it means to be a Sunderland supporter growing up and got me hooked on this amazing club and community.*

*Promotion means so much more to me now I have my son and getting ready to prepare him for the never ending rollercoaster of emotions supporting this fantastic club!*

*Saturday was absolutely fantastic and I cherished every moment of it, a day I will never forget! Looking forward to next Season and hoping we can build on this success...*

*Haway The Lads!!!*

**George Hammond**



← Tweet

 **Dennis Cirkin** ✓  
@DCirkin3

Quick post before the celebrations begin 🤩 but this was for you Dad, watching over me guiding me through the highs and lows of my first season in professional football...and what a club to do it at @sunderlandafcofficial 🇬🇧 🇬🇧 🇬🇧 ❤️



8:48 pm · 21 May 2022 · Twitter for iPhone

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 **Tim Rice** ✓ @SirTimRice · 22h

So delighted (and relieved) that the Black Cats are on the road back to the top. Great performance great goalie. Just what the fans indeed the entire city of Sunderland deserve.  
[@SunderlandAFC](#)

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1,098 likes

thorben\_hoffmann Dear SAFC supporters 🇬🇧 🇬🇧 , I just wanted to say THANK YOU for everything you've done for me and for us as a team this season. It was such a crazy year but we finished the season with the promotion. I am proud that I played my part and helped the club to get out of that league. It was a big honor to wear the Sunderland shirt! From now on I will support the club on their way back to the top. All the best and a big big thank you again ! Thorben

## **REGAINING RESPECT...AND FEELING LESS GUILTY**

I remember just about all of 5 May 1973. The early train from Sunderland to Wembley Central, the pre-match run around the pitch involving David Bedford, the goal, Monty's save and the sheer excitement of the whole day, my first visit to London.

Since my first game in November 1963, we had actually won a trophy (and against Dirty Leeds at that). Hopefully this would herald a return to the halcyon days discussed by my dad and uncles.

Of course it was not to be. Eight subsequent visits to the National Stadium and eight painful retreats down Wembley Way. When we won the Papa John's last year I did wonder whether I was jinxing the Lads by always being there to witness the defeats (or draws in normal time).

Living down south for the last 40 years the discussion with my local friends and neighbours had gradually changed from a type of grudging acceptance of Sunderland to one where most folks had no clue about which league we were in and especially why I and my sons kept going to remote football backwaters to watch the Lads.

I reached my low point at the end of the Cheltenham away game as we stumbled to a miserable defeat stuck in a parallel universe with no manager and no leadership on the pitch. The following weekend I happened to be talking to a bloke at a party who professed to be a Brentford supporter and then told me how he felt sorry for me and my fellow Sunderland supporters but that he believed it would take us decades to get back to the Premier and that the centre of football gravity had moved south anyway. This character happened to be a friend of my friend so I decided to move away before the misery and anger boiled over.

We all now know what has happened since Alex Neil took over.

So, on 20th May I receive a WhatsApp from one of my sons in Trafalgar Square. 'So much fun. Never seen anything like this. Everyone there for a great time in a great mood. Football fans have got a bad reputation in recent events but I've never been more proud to be a Sunderland fan'.

All those years when they played at the local recs in Sunderland shirts. All that time when their friends were supporting Chelsea, Liverpool etc. I did feel guilty occasionally. But now the true Sunderland power was being revealed.

21st May 2022 around 5.45pm walking down Wembley Way with a stupid grin. My son says it's the first time I've ever spoken on Wembley Way after a Sunderland game. The following few days have resulted in handshakes and hugs from the local group. They seem to have a new respect for us.

We have a long way to go but we must do everything to avoid League 1 again. As a club you don't exist as far as the mainstream media and the average fans are concerned. I'm still wandering around with a smile. Ross Stewart's goal and the post-match singing lifted a huge weight off my shoulders.

I can't wait to see next season's fixtures and plan the games.

**John Pilley**

*[...the day at Wembley seemed to remove that monkey off my back and around 20 years off my age...!]*

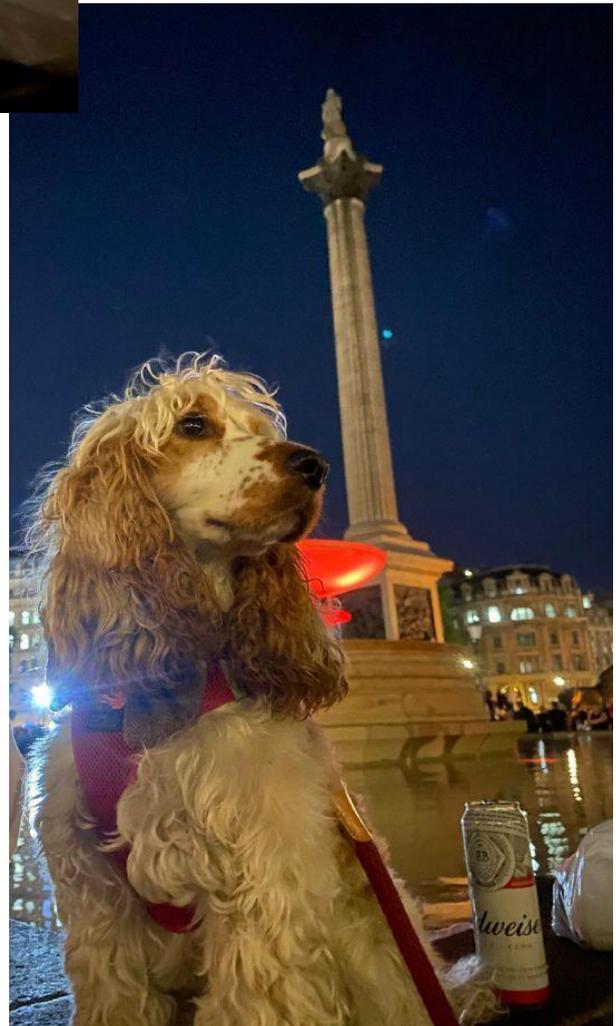


*Jonathan Roberts and Friends*



*Norman, from Pinner*

*Trafalgar Square, 20th May 2022*



- *thanks to Jonathan Roberts*

## *Hammy the Hamster goes to Wembley*

So I've been waiting for 18 months to have an impacted wisdom tooth out, along with his friend L7 (next tooth along). No-one would do it as they were worried they would break my jaw / lose my sensation in tongue / lose sensation in chin.

I finally got a date through – Friday 20<sup>th</sup> May at 7.30am. My wife Jo wasn't impressed. 'I'll be fine' says I. I'll have the operation in the morning, and my friend will look after me on the Saturday. So first task was to obtain 2 tickets. Complete failure ensued – I couldn't get any of the Phase 2 tickets on Monday, and missed the announcement on the final phase on Wednesday afternoon. Luckily Andy M and WDS saved the day by getting me a ticket. However despite lots of scouring I couldn't get a nearby ticket for my carer.

Friday morning arrives. I get to the John Radcliffe Hospital Oxford for 7.30am. I finally go to theatre at 3.30pm and have a general anesthetic. I wake up at 5.30pm in a terrible state minus 2 teeth. After some codeine and morphine I am allowed home.

Saturday arrives. Jo drops me off at the station and I catch the 12.30pm train, doped up with Ibuprofen and Paracetamol. I can't have Codeine as you can't have alcohol. I get the train to Wembley, which fills to the brim as it passes through Wycombe. I plod to the ground for a beer and enjoy the day.



My mouth starts swelling, and continues to swell throughout the day. Thank God we get our deserved victory – I did feel beforehand we would win with the big pitch, newly committed players, and technical genius of AN.

The 2 hour queue to get the train to Bicester wasn't fun, with no beer or water available, but I finally got on a train at 7.30pm and arrived safely back in Bicester.

Some of the day is a little hazy, but it was all worth it! Thanks to London branch member Simon and his brother for their company at the game. The hyperactive 10 year old next to us helped take my mind off things as well!

Roll on the Championship!

***Marcus Lamb***



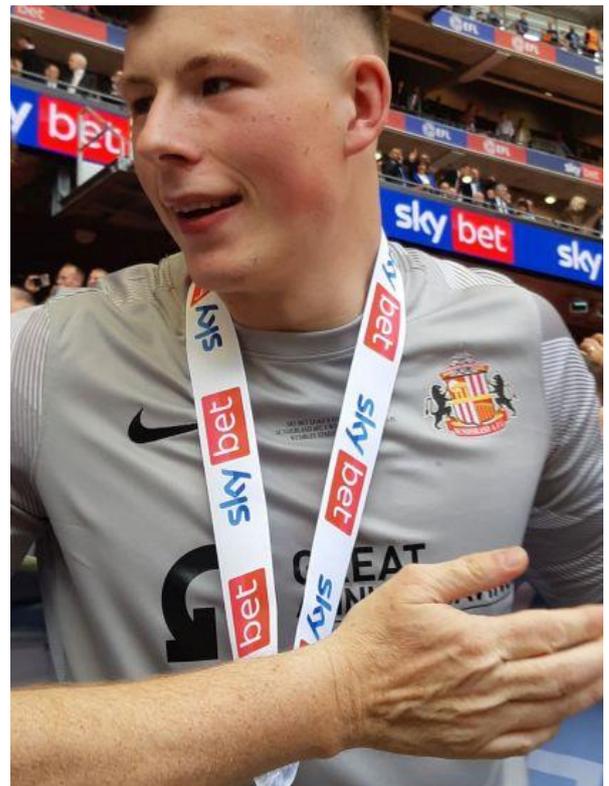




*The view from my seat...Patterson and Matete when they came down the steps after collecting medals and Luke came up to kiss his partner and grab his child.*

*I do have a face-to-face with his daughter but not sure if that's too much invasion!*

**Karen Turner**





*Angie and Karen*



*Last Saturday was a great day - my daughter and I had been to Wembley for the previous play-off against Charlton three years ago - I still remember vividly leaving the stadium after that defeat - it was a very sad long walk to get the train home!*

*What struck me about this time was that the Sunderland fans were that much more reserved and almost quietly confident that we would win on the day because we had a team who played together and were a good team!*

*I am attaching three photos 1) picture of fans having a drink in Wembley prior to the match, 2) our view of the game inside the stadium 3) our grandchildren watching the game in California.* My prediction for next year is mid-table with an outside chance of the play-offs!

**Mike McCabe**



## *Pride, Passion and REALISM*

The last time Sunderland won a major trophy was at Wembley on 05.05.1973. THE cup still attracted world-wide attention in those days which that year was enhanced by the David v. Goliath scenario - Second Division Sunderland against one of Europe's top teams, Leeds United. Our 1-0 victory was universally acclaimed and our promotion back to the First (top) Division the following season widely predicted. However, manager Bob Stokoe's plans were stymied by something beyond his control. In 1973 the economic situation in the UK was so dire that Tory Prime Minister Edward Heath imposed a general wage freeze. It took Sunderland three more seasons to be promoted, only to be followed by immediate relegation back to the Second Division in 1977.

On Saturday, 21.05.2022, at Wembley, Sunderland won a minor trophy masquerading as a major one, which takes us back to the second tier, aka the Championship. Our goal, of course, is a return to the Premier League within the next two or three seasons. So, in the next few weeks the Sunderland Chair, directors and team manager must make sure that our plans are ambitious and watertight. Sporting director Kristjaan Speakman has already made significant steps in extending the contracts of Messrs Gooch, Bailey Wright and Roberts as well as trying to bring Everton loanee Nathan Broadhead back to the SOL. He has also warned Sunderland fans not to be overly-optimistic; as has been pointed out elsewhere, the leap from Championship to Premier League is far more difficult than promotion from League One.

Manager Alex Neil has already proved his worth by finally ridding our club of its play-off hoodoo. He seems happy in his job and already focused on the next steps the team must take. That only leaves the need to rid ourselves of the dross which holds over 50% of shares in our club. Over to you, Mr. Dreyfus.

Oh, I almost forgot. The UK is once again suffering an economic crisis and we have a Tory Prime Minister. Surely even Boris the Buffoon can't put a spanner in our works?

**Roger Mason, 27.05.22**

PS. Never mind HRH's Platinum Jubilee. 12.09.2023 will be Platinum Jubilee of my first ever Sunderland match!!



*Our second Wembley experience together (first as newlyweds). Much nicer than the first - Charlton under Ross - where Dan barely spoke for 48 hours after! Incredible atmosphere and support for a full 90 minutes.*

*What a day. Onwards and upwards next season, optimistically predicting a play off push under Neil... but we'll settle for comfy mid table obscurity as well :)*

**Liv and Dan Carson**

*What a day! Arriving at London Bridge there were plenty of red and white shirts in evidence. It was the same on the tube - had any Wycombe supporters turned up?*

*We headed to join the SAFC London branch in the North Star pre match and the excitement and anticipation were all too evident. After a few glasses to thoroughly lubricate the vocal chords we headed to Wembley. The atmosphere was eclectic to say the least and again it was clear our support completely outnumbered the opposition.*

*This was not the first time the family had been to Wembley - we were there twice to experience the abject disappointment of being second on the day. Despite bagfuls of optimism there were still some nervous tummies.*

*The joy and relief at full time were summed up for me in the tears in my son Rob's eyes. Tears and cheers all around up. Can't wait to see the lads flourish in the championship.*

*Ha'way the Lads*  
**Chris Hadden**



***The Hadden and Wake family***

*Me - third left - and brother Steve next to me, originally from Sunderland (Witherwack) with our other halves and sons.*

***Chris's son Robert***

*- trying to hold it together at the final whistle.*



# SEASON REFLECTION

Like a Stage Door Johnny I was hovering around the Wembley Royal Box Entrance to see who the (s)elected “great and good” were. And no, I didn’t see Donald or Methven! But I did bump into former Programme Editor and now Club Historian, Rob Mason, posing the obvious question “Are we going to do it this time?” As sage as ever, Rob replied, “We’ll be the better team, but the better team doesn’t always win!”

Well we were the better team and we did win but as the euphoria has dissipated I have reflected that Rob’s comment pretty well summarises the season as a whole in my eyes. Our recruitment was positive and we started the campaign playing a much more entertaining football style as manager Johnson had promised. But I was regularly frustrated, even annoyed, at home games, by our propensity to concede the first goal and allow a much inferior opposition then to man barricades we too often seemed incapable of penetrating. And away games where we took the lead only to conceded late equalisers. Would this eventually cost us? So, despite us continually hovering near the top of the Division, seeds of doubt were beginning to germinate.

I have explained here before why I now pick and choose my attendance at away games - principally because I prefer to sit. Covid provided a further disincentive with the risk of close contact with potentially infected strangers. But I did attend Portsmouth and Cheltenham - and my planned trip to Rotherham was thwarted by TFL getting me to Kings Cross just as my Advance Ticket train pulled away without me. Three results there which did nothing to convince me promotion, even the play-offs, was guaranteed. Add the Sheffield Wednesday and Bolton away league games and my scepticism was underwritten.

It wasn’t just these results, and associated performances, which had the potential to throw promotion off track. The revelation about the range of club shareholdings was to me an unnecessary sideshow, given far too much prominence by the media and fans’ groups and may have distracted from the tasks in hand. Did the fan clamour for the signing of Jermain Defoe and appointment of Roy Keane delay the club from important and timely decisions?

So overall a mixed season with the perfect outcome. With our crowds, our finance, our squad strength we should always (well mostly) have been “the better team”. But it didn’t always win. What Wembley did achieve for me though was a feel good factor I hope will last beyond August and renew some of the enthusiasm I confess at having lost.

**Ian Todd**

Respect to the Pantomime villain we all loved to boo, but who really scared the life out of us:

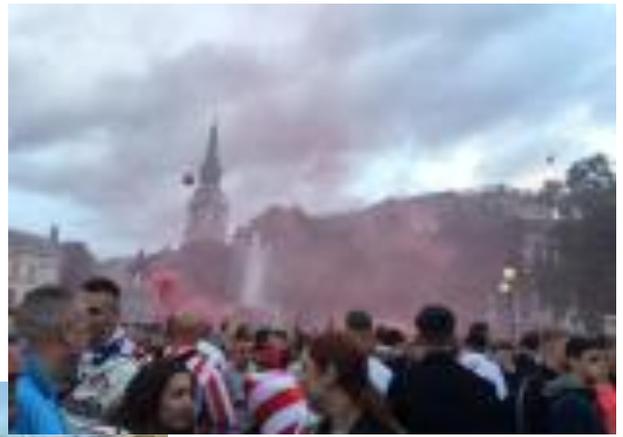
*"I wanted it to end differently than it did but, to be fair, Sunderland were the better team on the day and that happens in football sometimes and, at the end of the day, after 22 years in the game, I ended it at Wembley. I didn't think I'd still be playing at 40, but I have been blessed - I have - and my last kick of a ball was at Wembley."*

**Adebayo Akinfenwa**



*It was my birthday weekend, what a party we had!!*

**Maggie Brodie**





*Out celebrating the win in a pub in Euston I got chatting to a couple of Scottish fans, a man and a woman.*

*I noticed they had EFL lanyards on, which I assumed meant they had been sat in some nice corporate seats. I said they must be enjoying supporting the team with our Scottish manager and Scottish star striker.*

*They agreed that they were enjoying watching Ross Stewart, since he is their son!*

*Naturally I started to talk about Ross Stewart the same way people talk about prime Ronaldo. I think I've done enough to convince him to stay forever.*

**James Chaytor**



# LADY BLACKCATS

Or should that be “Women”? With apologies to the Editor who clearly intends this to be predominantly a Promotion Celebration Edition, I hope she can spare me the space to report two significant updates on the progress of a team who will, I expect, continue to be regarded more familiarly as “The Lasses”

As my opening sentence hints the club’s new owners have decided to follow a growing trend in the women’s game and rename Sunderland Ladies as Sunderland Women. Apparently this was the intention a year ago but you will recall the urgency then was to submit to the FA a convincing bid for the team known as Sunderland Ladies to be promoted and in doing so the deadline to register a name change was missed. It has now been done for the coming season and the team’s social media addresses have been modified in consequence.

The other significant bit of news is the intent to form a women’s Under-23 team to compete in a local league next season. As well as demonstrating the ownership’s support for progressing this part of the ‘one club’ integrated football operation, it will provide a wider pathway for local talent to develop towards regular selection for the senior team. The development will also no doubt be much appreciated by players who spent much of last season on the substitutes’ bench with restricted opportunity for competitive development.

Next season will start on 21st August with one new opponent in our region, Southampton Women, who have replaced relegated Watford. (Clearly a disappointment to the large group of away fans who supported the Lasses at that game at Kings Langley). The fixtures, when released, will be posted on the Branch website. Hopefully members will plot support attendance at Southern away games in their diaries.

**Ian Todd**



*Lasses players Emma Kelly and Grace McCatty celebrate with Roker Report’s Ant Waterson after our Wembley victory*

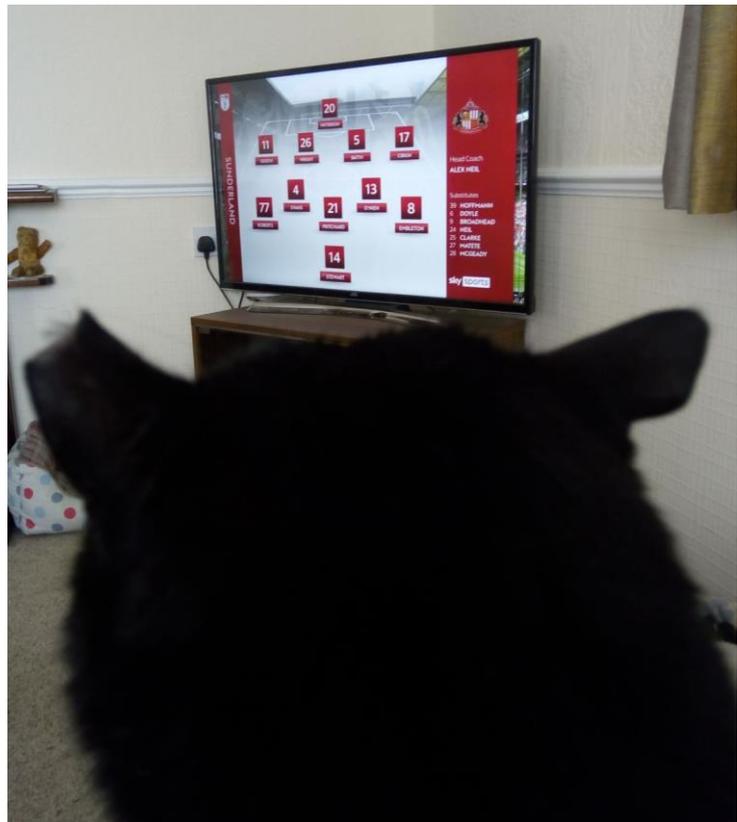


*With General Manager Alex Clark and Goalkeeping Coach Chris Wilson*



*...our special Cats...  
Michelle Celik*

*...meanwhile in the **Keith Green** household in rural Hertfordshire, Bruiser the Cat (aka 'One-Ear') checks out the form before the match...*





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**Sam Matterface** @samm... · 2d  
 Pleased for #SAFC but even more pleased for @mickygray33 ....holding back the tears at the end 😊



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An emotional reaction from ex-Sunderland player Micky Gray to the club's promotion ❤️



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*...after 24 years, Mickey cries again...*

*...and Reidy says ‘Wow’.*

**Peter Reid** @reid6peter  
 Brilliant Ian.

Translate Tweet

**Ian Harrison** @Hag\_SAFC · 7h  
 Replying to @reid6peter

A bit special at the end when the Sky Cameras panned on you just as Elvis burst into song to lip read you saying ‘Wow’. It was something else wasn’t it. Almost worth the nigh on 50 year wait

20:11 · 23 May 22 · Twitter for iPhone

*thanks to Karen for the tweets*

## ***Sunderland at Wembley: London pub landlord thanks SAFC fans for ‘bumper weekend’ after League play-off final victory over Wycombe Wanderers***

*A London pub landlord has thanked the hundreds of Sunderland fans who gave his bar a bumper weekend when it might otherwise have been very quiet – with the Echo playing its part.*

Liam Birney manages McGlynn's, near King's Cross station, where he has worked for eight years. The pub was mentioned in our list of 11 bars for supporters to frequent over the Wembley weekend.

Sunderland beat Wycombe on May 21 to secure promotion, with tens of thousands of supporters making a weekend of it.

The Metropolitan Police had advised some pubs to close the next day for safety reasons, with Manchester United, Everton and Leeds all playing in the capital.



*McGlynn's had a phenomenal weekend, thanks to Sunderland supporters.*

Police steered Leeds fans into other areas, meaning that only Everton supporters visited McGlynn's on Sunday – but by then, Sunderland's followers had drunk most of the beer anyway.

A delighted Liam, a Charlton Athletic fan, said: "The police didn't tell us to close, but they sent out an email to everyone in the local area basically recommending caution. If smaller places weren't prepared for it they suggested possibly closing. But they didn't force us to.

"They wanted to keep everyone safe. We did open on Sunday and had just Everton fans, with no problems at all.

“We had just about enough beer left by then. The first Sunderland supporters arrived on the Thursday night. The last ones left on Sunday. We had great customers and were busy the whole weekend.

“I don’t know the exact barrelage, but we sold easily twice as much as we would normally do. Before Sunderland’s last play-off final in 2019 we had a lot in; but nothing like this.

“The Sunderland Echo must have played a part, because we had a lot of randoms in who mentioned that they’d read about us.

“The Sunderland supporters were absolutely fine. We had hundreds in with no problems at all. We didn’t have door staff; just me walking round and making sure everyone was alright.

“It was a really good weekend, so our thanks to the fans. We look forward to seeing them next season. But I have to be neutral, it’s very much a North Eastern thing. The support from there is always fantastic.”

Sunderland have a minimum of four fixtures in and around London next season.

***Sunderland Echo, 24th May  
thanks to Andy McIntosh***

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## ***Sunderland fans raise huge tip for staff at a Covent Garden pub after they hosted Wembley celebrations***

*A Covent Garden pub has earned a special tip from Sunderland fans, after they received an “amazing welcome” ahead of their trip to Wembley last weekend.*



Sunderland supporters have created a special fundraiser to tip staff at a Covent Garden pub, where they celebrated their play-off success. The fans created a Go Fund Me page four days ago to say “thank you” to the staff at The Nags Head pub, where they drank ahead of their victory at Wembley.

The Black Cats played Wycombe Wanderers at Wembley on Saturday in the League One play-off final, where they won 2-0.

The Nags Head has become a focal point for Black Cats supporters over the years, when they first hosted fans on the night before the 2014 League Cup final against Manchester City.

An initial target of £300 had originally been set however at the time of writing, £445 has been raised so far by fans – with a new target now set at £500.\*

The page hopes that the money raised will show gratitude to the staff and states that the amount raised will be used on a night out or even just shared among the team.

It said: “Raising money as a huge thank you to the staff at the Nags Head, Covent Garden, for their hard work, hospitality and amazing welcome this weekend.

“The Nags Head staff have welcomed SAFC supporters with open arms each time we have visited Wembley and allowed us to fill the bar and surrounding streets with a sea of red and white.

“The staff worked tirelessly this weekend and deserve a treat, whether that be a staff night out, a staff meal or an even share for tips. Please show your generosity to those who looked after us during our trip down south.”

On Sunday, The Nags Head posted a message of thanks and congratulations to Sunderland AFC fans on its Facebook page

The post said: “Well that was fun. Thank you and well done to all the Sunderland fans for being so well behaved and great fun.

“A credit to your team and city.”

Ahead of fans arriving in the capital, the pub has posted a photo of stacked beer kegs, telling supporters that “we are ready for you”.

**Londonworld.com, 26<sup>th</sup> May**

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*\* At time of going to print, the tip is running at £1147*

**“The staff were brilliant everytime we’ve been down - it was like home from home for my missus and !.**

**“HA’WAY THE NAGS HEAD.”**

## ***Sunderland at Wembley: 'We're looking forward to welcoming them back next year' says brewery boss as fans' behaviour in Trafalgar Square praised***

*A London-based brewery boss says he is looking forward to welcoming Sunderland AFC fans back to Wembley next season after police and local authorities praised their behaviour on a winning Wembley weekend.*

The team did Wearside proud, beating Wycombe Wanderers in the League One play-off final to secure promotion to the Championship. Meanwhile, the fans made headlines with the spectacular sight they created in Trafalgar Square. Westminster Council, who run the area, estimate that 5,000 people were there when the gathering was at its peak. Crowds dispersed at around 1am.

However, the total number of fans may have been even greater with supporters coming and going throughout the evening of Friday, May 20.



***Sunderland supporters' takeovers of Trafalgar Square are becoming legendary.***

The council told the Echo that the atmosphere was noisy and boisterous, yet good natured. It also said that the clear-up afterwards “was handled very quickly and effectively”.

Although officers were seen confiscating alcohol from revellers in the square, the Metropolitan Police were also relaxed and said they had not been made aware of any significant issues involving the travelling support.

Unsurprisingly, pubs in the capital have also expressed delight at the influx of visiting fans. Peter Jackson, who is the founder and MD of the **Southwark Brewery\*** and bar, and also a former Bede pupil and member of the **SAFCSA London Branch** since 1987, said the weekend had been great.



*Southwark Brewery boss and SAFC fanatic Peter Jackson had more reasons than most to be delighted.*

He said: "It was the first time I'd seen Sunderland win in nine Wembley visits, so I loved it. We had Sunderland supporters here throughout Friday and Saturday. When we opened on Sunday the first three customers were wearing red and white.

"It was great to see old friends from all over the world, as well as younger Sunderland fans. We're looking forward to welcoming them back next season."

***Sunderland Echo 26<sup>th</sup> May***

**[\* and the regular meeting place for the Branch for its AGMs and socials....]**

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**Lynden Gooch**  2,112 Tweets Follow

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**Lynden Gooch**  @LyndenGooch · May 7

Whoever took this photo thank you 🙏 My boy with his Uncle while watching his Daddy at the SOL ❤️

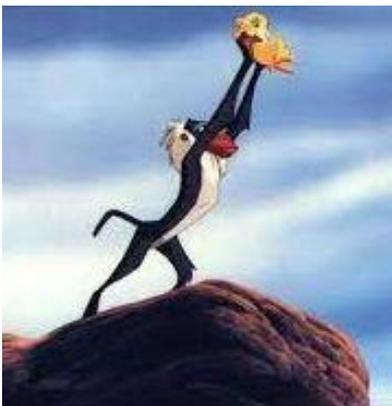
**Roker Report**  @RokerReport · May 7

Best @SunderlandAFC @StadiumOfLight crowd pic ever.

[Show this thread](#)



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“Ex-Sunderland, Rangers and Scotland striker **Kevin Kyle** tells Ross Stewart to stay at Stadium of Light.”

- **Sunderland Echo, 3rd June**

Stewart scored 26 goals from 49 matches and started every game of the season



After official requests by Sunderland, Plymouth Argyle, Sheffield Wednesday and Bolton Wanderers, the EFL have announced a new points system where points are awarded for crowd attendance as opposed to the more traditional system of match results.

This is to recognise the view of club supporters that seem to think it's relevant to their clubs position in the league.

The EFL also recognise the immense hurt felt by the aforementioned fans when one of the smaller clubs beat one of the larger clubs, and feel this should have no place in our beautiful game

With this in mind, consideration is being given to the validity of the current table and the top 3 clubs Wigan Athletic, Rotherham United and MK Dons may be deducted points. This will be decided by a panel of experts, with representatives of Championship club Barnsley FC also in attendance after a request from their Chairman

The whole of football must agree, promotion should be about attendance and not season performance.

*from the EFL Fan page*

*thanks to Karen*



*“Sunderland is where it’s at!”*

**- Ed Sheeran**

..a record 60,000 fans at his SOL concert, 2nd June

## Cryptic Answers (from p.11)

1	Preserves, including a drug.	JAMES (Leighton)
2	Viking, for example, without seeing the home counties, will get him.	NORMAN (Tony)
3	Buddhism, for example, next to the lair.	ZENDEN (Bolo)
4	Silver catcall to American city sees him appear.	AGBOOLA (Reuben)
5	Black German.	SCHWARZ (Stefan)
6	Won the Ligue 1 in France in 97-98.	LENS (Jeremain)
7	Standard king goes to Orient.	PARKE (John)
8	Kings of England.	EDWARDS (Carlos)
9	Crossing from this striker.	FORD (Trevor)
10	Operate the engine with increased speed, that is.	REVIE (Don)
11	The second half of seeing meat.	INGHAM (Michael)
12	Pisa, Blackpool, Eiffel.	TOWERS (Tony)
13	Assembly of bricks first class	WALLACE (Rod/Ross)
14	Meaty-sounding man	VENISON (Barry)
15	Creator of the adventurous Crusoe	DEFOE (Jermaine)
16	About Irish lake.	CLOUGH (Brian)
17	Saying yes in Germany after informally seeing mother.	MAJA (Josh)
18	French asking who has two directions.	QUINN (Alan/Niall)
19	First name of 22's son.	HARVEY (Martin)
20	The compiler of this quiz and the short editor in New York.	KENNEDY (Alan)
21	Chocolate bar without Roman one.	YORKE (Dwight)
22	Stage for him to get upset.	GATES (Eric)
23	Nil, rabbit-like appearance.	O'HARE (John)
24	Sounds like he might have needed the dough.	BAKER (Joe)

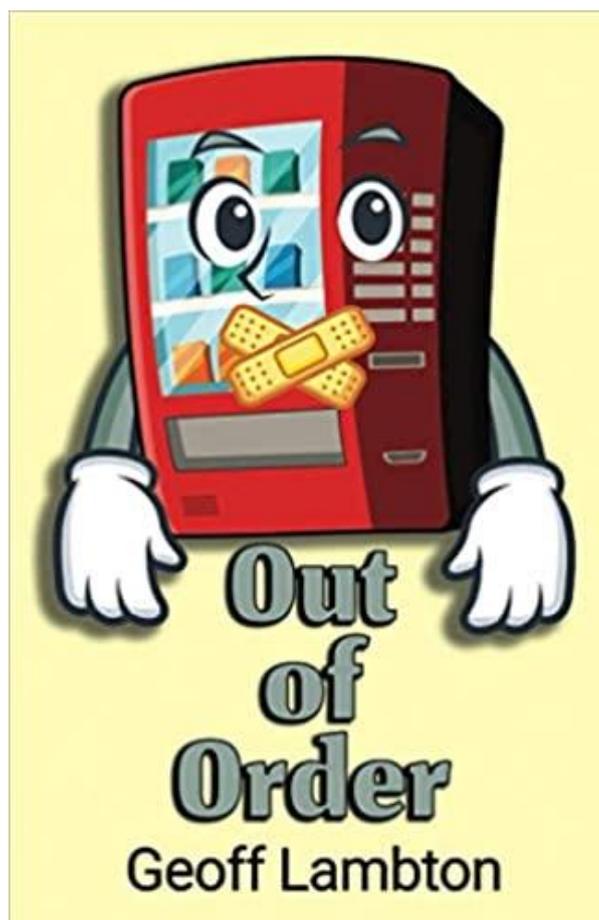
*“...exactly 13 years ago SAFC finished 29 places above Leicester City, 32 places above Leeds United and a whopping 44 places (almost half the Football league (in old terms) above Brighton (who were all 2 divisions below).” – Ken*

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## League One Years - Answers (from p.12)

1. Chris Maguire
2. Charlie Wyke, Aiden O'Brien
3. Crewe
4. Walsall, Gillingham, Mansfield
5. Josh Maja, Lynden Gooch, Charlie Wyke, Ross Stewart
6. Saved a penalty in a home game. First at SOL. Not including penalty shoot outs.
7. Portsmouth
8. Sunderland 5 Cambridge 1
9. a) Burnley b) Leeds c) Wolves d) West Ham
10. Lee Johnson (30)

(FYI Ross (27) Parkinson (17) Neil (8) Taylor (0) Dodds (0). Fowler only game and win was in EFLT trophy v Grimsby)



Branch darts player and one-time WDS cub reporter and Branch darts player **GEOFF LAMBTON** has written a book.

**"Out of Order"**, available on Amazon, tells the story of Barney, a put-upon vending machine engineer 'navigating his way through modern life and through quite a few pubs'. According to one reviewer, 'Love Barney's anger and sarcastic wit aimed at his customers, we've all been there, just not had the nerve to utter out loud! Would make a great film or sitcom for TV.'

The sequel is coming soon, and, promises Geoff, will heavily feature Sunderland AFC.

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"I was buzzing for them. The [Sunderland] fans are amazing, always have been, really passionate fans...They love football, watch the team pay on a weekend. To see them go up into the Championship will mean an awful lot to the people"

**Jordan Henderson, Times 28th May**



*Relief – David Steele, Matty Foreman and Matt Woolston*

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Championship teams.

The Championship will start on Saturday 30 July 2022. The 2022 World Cup in Qatar takes place over a five-week period in November and December 2022, with the EFL Schedule adjusted to accommodate.

Match round 16 in the Championship, set to take place on Saturday 12 November, will be the final round of fixtures played ahead of the call-up period for the tournament, which begins on Monday 14 November.

The Championship will resume on 10 December 2022 following the culmination of the World Cup Group Stages. The existing international calls postponement criteria will be applied throughout, where necessary.

The final day of the 2022/23 season in the Championship will be across the weekend of Saturday 6 May 2023, with the Play-Off Finals scheduled for the 29 May 2023.

*from Facebook  
– thanks to Karen*

# *Match Reports*

## **The Gillingham Match: 2nd April 2022**

The Gills from the off wasted time  
but they were punished at last for this crime.  
In the ninety-fifth minute  
Broadhead dived in to win it  
with a header that touched the sublime.

## **The Oxford Match: 9th April 2022**

I was certainly feeling the strain  
and had visions of more League 1 pain.  
The points were in limbo  
but all thanks to Embo  
we're back in the top six again.

## **The Shrewsbury Match, 15th April 2022**

It looked like we'd let it all slip  
but Broadhead at last got a grip  
and he set us aflame  
when his goal won the game  
- a draw would've given me gyp.

## **The Cambridge Match: 23rd April 2022**

We did what we had to and more.  
5-1 is a very good score.  
Gooch played a blinder  
and it was a reminder  
of why we all liked him before.



## After the Morecambe Match: 30th April 2022

We've got what we needed - a win -  
so let thoughts of the play-offs begin.  
First we face Wednesday  
then...MK? Will Geads play?  
There's too many ifs to take in.

## The League 1 Playoffs Second Leg: 9th May 2022

We put up a battling display  
as blood, sweat and tears won the day.  
In Roberts stole  
to snatch that late goal  
- the next stop will be Wembley Way.



## The Play-Off Final: 21st May 2022

For me the result was quite certain  
- that we'd win as we pulled down the curtain  
on our time in League 1.  
I'm so glad it's all done  
and the bleak years have gone for a Burton.

*Ian Mole*





"Surely - they're not going to present them THAT?"  
- *Editor, to the woman next to her, 5pm 21st May*

# **SAFC Fixtures 2021-2022 Season**

Sat. 8th Aug.	WIGAN ATHLETIC	2-1	McGeady(p), Stewart
Tue.10th Aug.	Port Vale (EFL Cup)	2-1	Hawkes, O'Brien(p)
Sat.14th Aug.	Mk Dons	2-1	Stewart, Embelton
Tue.17th Aug.	Burton Albion	0-1	
Sat. 21st Aug.	AFC WIMBLEDON	1-0	Winchester
Tue.24th Aug.	Blackpool (EFL Cup)	3-2	O'Brien(3)
Sat.28th Aug.	WYCOMBE WANDERERS	3-1	Stewart, Embelton, Stewart
Sat.11th Sep.	ACCRINGTON STANLEY	2-1	Neil, Winchester
Sat.18th Sep.	Fleetwood Town	2-2	Stewart, McGeady(p)
Tue.21st Sep.	Wigan Athletic (EFL Cup)	2-0	Broadhead, O'Nien
Sat.25th Sep.	BOLTON WANDERERS.	1-0	Winchester
Tue.28th Sep.	CHELTENHAM TOWN	5-0	Wright, Stewart(2), O'Nien, Dajaku
Sat.2nd Oct.	Portsmouth	0-4	
Tue.5th Oct.	Lincoln City (EFL Trophy)	2-1	Wearne, Neil
Wed.13th Oct.	MAN UTD (EFL Trophy)	2-1	Dyce, Wearne
Sat.16th Oct.	Gillingham	2-1	O'Brien, Flanagan
Tue. 19th Oct.	Crewe Alexandra	4-0	o.g, Stewart(2), Dajaku
Sat.23rd Oct.	CHARLTON ATHLETIC	0-1	
Tue.26th Oct.	QPR (EFL Cup)	0-0	3-1 on penalties
Sat.30th Oct.	Rotherham Utd	1-5	Stewart
Tue.2nd Nov.	Sheffield Wednesday	0-3	
Sat.6th Nov.	MANSFIELD TOWN (FA Cup)	0-1	
Tue.9th Nov.	BRADFORD (EFL Trophy)	1-1	Broadhead (2-4 on penalties)
Sat.20th Nov.	IPSWICH TOWN	2-0	O'Nien, McGeady(p)
Tue.23rd Nov.	Shrewsbury Town	1-1	Pritchard
Sat.27th Nov.	Cambridge United	2-1	Pritchard, Broadhead
Wed.1 <sup>st</sup> Dec.	OLDHAM (EFL Trophy)	0-1	
Sat. 4 <sup>th</sup> Dec.	OXFORD UTD	1-1	Dajaku
Tue. 7 <sup>th</sup> Dec.	MORECOMBE	5-0	Stewart, Broadhead(2), Pritchard, Dajaku
Sat. 11 <sup>th</sup> Dec.	PLYMOUTH ALBION	2-1	Neil, Broadhead
Sat. 18 <sup>th</sup> Dec.	Ipswich	1-1	Broadhead
Tue.. 21st Dec.	Arsenal (EFL Cup)	1-5	Broadhead
Mon. 27 <sup>th</sup> Dec	Doncaster Rovers	3-0	Stewart(p), Embelton, o.g.
Tue.30 <sup>th</sup> Dec.	SHEFFIELD WEDNESDAY	5-0	Stewart (3), Doyle,Kimpioka
Sat. 8th Jan.	Wycombe Wanderers	3-3	o.g., Stewart (2)
Tue.11 <sup>th</sup> Jan.	LINCOLN CITY	1-3	Stewart
Sat.15 <sup>th</sup> Jan.	Accrington Stanley	1-1	O'Brien
Sat.22 <sup>nd</sup> Jan.	PORTSMOUTH	1-0	Embleton
Sat.29 <sup>th</sup> Jan.	Bolton Wanderers	0-6	
Sat.5 <sup>th</sup> Feb.	DONCASTER ROVERS	1-2	Evans
Tue. 8 <sup>th</sup> Feb.	Cheltenham	1-2	Pritchard
Sat.12 <sup>th</sup> Feb.	AFC Wimbledon	1-1	Pritchard
Sat.19 <sup>th</sup> Feb.	MK DONS	1-2	Stewart
Tue.22 <sup>nd</sup> Feb.	BURTON ALBION	1-1	Stewart
Sat.26 <sup>th</sup> Feb.	Wigan Athletic	3-0	Wright, Stewart (p,p)
Sat.5 <sup>th</sup> Mar.	Charlton	0-0	
Tue.8 <sup>th</sup> Mar.	FLEETWOOD TOWN	3-1	Embleton, O'Nien, Clarke
Sat.12 <sup>th</sup> Mar.	CREWE ALEXANDRA	2-0	Neil, Roberts
Sat.19 <sup>th</sup> Mar.	Lincoln City	0-0	
Sat. 2 <sup>nd</sup> Apr.	GILLINGHAM	1-0	BROADHEAD
Sat. 9 <sup>th</sup> Apr.	Oxford United	2-1	Evans, Embleton
Fri. 15 <sup>th</sup> Apr.	SHREWSBURY	3-2	Embleton, Broadhead(2)
Mon.18th Apr.	Plymouth Albion	0-0	
Sat..23rd Apr.	CAMBRIDGE UTD	5-1	Stewart, Stewart(p), Embleton, Broadhead, Batth
Tue.26th Apr.	ROTHERHAM	1-1	o.g.
Sat.30th Apr.	Morecombe (12.30 k.o.)	1-0	Broadhead
<b>Fri. 6th May</b>	<b>SHEFFIELD WEDNESDAY (Playoff Semi 1)</b>	<b>1-0</b>	<b>Stewart</b>
<b>Mon.9th May</b>	<b>Sheffied Wednesday (Playoff Semi 2)</b>	<b>1-1</b>	<b>Roberts</b>
<b>Sat.21st May</b>	<b>WYCOMBE WANDERERS PLAYOFF FINAL</b>	<b>2-0</b>	<b>Embleton, Stewart</b>

