

# **MANAGER'S CORNER**

Well here we are at the end of another season. A great season for the club – and in particular the 1<sup>st</sup> & 2<sup>nd</sup> team....which obviously means that I won “sweet FA” !!!

In all fairness it was still a very positive season for the A Team. An Alty Cup semi-final & 4th place in the league is not a bad return for a “3<sup>rd</sup> team’ but we all know we deserved more! Also I feel that I have brought through a few players who I feel will play much higher up the club – in particular Alex Kemp & James Moore amongst others. Oh yeah – and Alex absolutely ‘battered’ Staz & Capesy in the inter-teams drinking challenge, so it wasn’t all bad news for the A Team!!!

Most importantly, I am sure all will agree that the atmosphere & ‘crack’ we had this season was fantastic! These are a great bunch of lads that I will miss a lot, as I am taking “some gardening leave” next season. However I hope to be back the season after ‘with a vengeance’ and looking to get right back into the swing of things.

Also well done to the following players who were presented with the following at the presentation evening.

## **PLAYERS OF THE YEAR :**

**MANAGERS PLAYER OF THE YEAR : ALEX KEMP**

**PLAYERS-PLAYER OF THE YEAR : PAT LYONS / JOE MORRELL (JOINT)**

Unfortunately, they haven’t been able to keep the trophies, as they had to be sent away for cleaning after Loydy, Staz & then Alex shared their ‘dinner’ with everyone!!!

Anyway - rather than harp on about the season, I thought I would post the player profiles for the club management & the A Team.

Thanks to everyone for another great season.....STAYL TILL I DIE !!!!

**Punk Takiar**

# STYAL FC – SEASON 2007 / 2008

## PLAYER PROFILES

**NAME :** LOYDY & SOFTY  
**AKA :** DYNAMIC DUO / DELL & RODNEY  
**POSITION :** 1ST TEAM MANAGEMENT DUO, CHIEF BULL-SH\*\*\*ERS



### COMMENTS :

Loydy & Softy blend together beautifully – like Laurel & Hardy; oil & water; arabs & jews; syphilis & gonorrhoea.....the list goes on!!! Football-wise there can be no complaints after the silver-ware on the table.

However, socially – they both leave a lot to be desired!!! Loydy apparently doesn't go out very often....and after the presentation ceremony we now all understand why!!! Softy is a bit more macho, now that he has left his day-job as a 'hairdresser'....but we're all wondering when he's going to return the company car!!!

**NAME :** DAVE OATES  
**AKA :** SID JAMES / CLUB 'GARDENER'  
**POSITION :** 2ND TEAM MANAGER



**COMMENTS :**

**Oatesy has also brought some silver-ware to the table....but wont be able to eat out in Poynton again!!! Has also taken Jonno under his wing & taught him all he knows (god help us all!!!)**

**Has brought some wonderful personalities into the club from the "Sunday Gay 11" and even turned some of them 'hetero' like Poch & Si Roberts....or at least that's what they want us to think!!!**

**NAME :** MARK JOHNSON  
**AKA :** THE MILKY BAR KID / GINGER TW\*T  
**POSITION :** “JUST BEHIND” OATESY



**Jonno has had an exceptional season with the 2<sup>nd</sup> Team. His ability to follow Oatesy’s instructions has been faultless !!! Also landed another trophy for the 1<sup>st</sup> Team.**

**Rumoured to be related to James Moore (thank god the only genes passed down were “non-football” )!!!**

**The club should see a lot more of him next season.....now that he’s homeless !!!**

**NAME :** PUNK TAKIAR  
**AKA :** AINSLEY HARRIOT (APPARENTLY!)  
**POSITION :** A TEAM MANAGER, MASTER-TACTICIAN &  
OCCASIONALLY CENTRE-HALF



**COMMENTS :**

**Punk has had a mixed season with the A Team, having started superbly, but in all reality the season fizzled out. Still, he led them to an Altrincham Cup semi-final and went very close to getting to the final.**

**Introduced tactics, innovative formations (they loved the Xmas Tree!), set-plays & more importantly humour to the dressing room. He knew what he was doing.....even if no-one else did!**

**NAME :** SCOTT HAWKINS  
**AKA :** GOLLUM / JELLYFISH  
**POSITION :** ASSISTANT-MANAGER & CENTRE-MIDFIELD



**COMMENTS :**

Scotty has been one of our more consistent players.....when he actually got a game. Rested occasionally by 'the Gaffer' due to his age (mental that is!). Amazingly claims he is still only 22, despite having the physique of a pensioner.

Also the creator of the "Alty Cup Rant" which actually got him back in the squad after a near-mutiny in the squad (.....and a threatening phone call from his missus), but still managed to pull out of the tie with a broken toe-nail.

Maybe retiring next season.....but we're still awaiting Fi's decision.

**NAME :** MARCUS KENNEY  
**AKA :** MARADONNA ('AFTER' HE RETIRED!)  
**POSITION :** CENTRE-MIDFIELD & SKIPPER



**COMMENTS :**

**Marcus had an immediate effect on the team, adding the physical presence that had previously been missing. He fitted 'seamlessly' into central midfield.....unfortunately the same cant be said with his shorts (and no - they are 'not' lycra)!**

**Still yet to hit full fitness, despite employing a personal trainer (who also doubles as his personal assistant, house-keeper, surrogate mother & girlfriend).**

**His aim next season is full fitness, to skipper a league-winning team & to learn to pack his own kit bag.**

**NAME :** PAT LYONS  
**AKA :** TIM, NICE BUT DIM  
**POSITION :** CENTRE-HALF & VICE-CAPTAIN



**Patrick has been a revelation this season alongside Alex. He has been ever-present – apart from when he has had to babysit, go ‘caravanning’ or take his missus to the Trafford Centre.**

**Should really be playing higher up the club, but unfortunately cant make training.....as it is out of his 5 mile radius & clashes with Corrie!**



**NAME :** JOE MORRELL  
**AKA :** DAFFYD (THE ONLY GAY IN THE VILLAGE)  
**POSITION :** GOALKEEPER (TILL HE CAN FIT INTO THE NO. 9 SHIRT)



**Joe has also had an immediate impact when he joined the team....less space in the dressing room! He has been a great presence in the team...and apparently he is a centre-forward disguised as a keeper.**

**Seems to have come out of his shell (as well as the closet) – so now he is not so shy about voicing his opinions !!!**

**NAME :** ALEX KEMP  
**AKA :** BEAVIS  
**POSITION :** CENTRE-HALF & THE GAFFER'S 'BLUE-EYED BOY'



**Alex has been awesome this season & takes his game very seriously....to the extent of granting himself a “mid-season Winter break” in New York. He is a first cousin to Wes Brown (.....yes – that’s what I thought too!).**

**Has been courted by the 2<sup>nd</sup> Team, but for some strange, un-explicable reason, never actually made it (sorry Jonno!).**

**In fact he could even have played for the 1<sup>st</sup> Team....but he didn’t buy Loydy’s missus ‘the Ugg Boots!’**

**NAME :** ED CHANDLER  
**AKA :** OWEN HARGREAVES  
**POSITION :** GENERAL SKI-BUM & VINNY'S HERO



**Ed is the A Team 'heart-throb, and is far too pretty to play for Styal! Has been absolutely outstanding.....in all the 3 games he has played this season.**

**Fancies himself as a bit of a ski-er, which has often lost us the services of Vinny....who has to carry his ski's.**

**Has an uncanny ability to lose his marker.....but not Vinny!**

**NAME :** ANDY CHANDLER  
**AKA :** RHYDIAN  
**POSITION :** CENTRE-FORWARD & “LIBERACE-ESQUE” PIANO-PLAYER



**Andy is Ed’s brother and another of the ‘pretty-boys.’ Occasionally goes missing when he is ‘on tour’...or when the missus moves house !!!**

**Apparently used to be a keeper....but had to give up to protect his ‘fingers.’ Strange therefore why he ended up dislocating his arm.....whilst playing RUGBY !!!**

**NAME :** JAMES VINCE  
**AKA :** PAT SHARP / 1970'S VIDEO PORN-STAR  
**POSITION :** CENTRE-FORWARD, RIGHT-MIDFIELD



**Vinny is a bit of a Styal veteran...or at least that's what he looks like! Still fighting nature & trying to spike his hair !! Nearly passed his Chartered Surveyor's exams...which means he can give up his part-time job as a 'porn-star.'**

**He is a former 'boy-racer' who now has to trade his "gay car" in for a Toyota Previa people-carrier, now that his missus is expecting & he has adopted her 5 other kids.**

**Not popular with the missus....as he has spending her child maintenance on the Chandlers weekly subs!**

**NAME :** MATT COOK  
**AKA :** OOMPAH-LOOMPAH / LEGO-MAN  
**POSITION :** ANYWHERE BUT CENTRAL MIDFIELD



**Cooky was another consistent performer. A utility player....he washed the kit!  
Also useful on 'rainy days'....when we held the half-time team talks in his camper  
van.**

**Very reliable, rock solid & never out of position.....and that was only his hair!!! Not  
a good communicator though – but that's what happens when you spend all day  
with sheep !!!**

**NAME :** CHRIS BROWN  
**AKA :** WILL YOUNG  
**POSITION :** LEFT-BACK, RIGHT-BACK, LEFT-MIDFIELD, RIGHT-MIDFIELD, CENTRE-MIDFIELD....DEPENDED UPON WHO DIDN'T TURN UP!!!



**Brownny was another solid performer, who added a bit of muscle when required....the trouble was he didn't realise it!!!**

**A great man-marker, but I had to intervene when he followed the player into the showers!**

**His most memorable performance was in the Xmas karaoke. Needs to work on his vision....can never find his mobile phone!!!**

**NAME :** LAURENCE NEWMAN (LOZ)  
**AKA :** ALI-G  
**POSITION :** RIGHT-BACK



**Loz was another revelation this season – making the right back his position his own (or at least when Ed Chandler was away)!**

**Part of the “diversity of cultures” at the club....and proved that not all Jewish people are as annoying as Rocky!**

**Rumoured to own a Ferrari ....that no-one has seen. Apparently he takes it out to clean on a Sunday.....and then puts it back in the box!!!**



**NAME :** PAUL MARCHBANK  
**AKA :** POB  
**POSITION :** LEFT-BACK, LEFT-MIDFIELD



**Marchy is another player with designs of playing higher up the club. He has been truly consistent this season, and almost beat Matt Cook to “haircut of the year.”**

**Usually has a great first half, but then forgets to turn around at half time and usually ends up bagging the winner!!!**

**A very balanced player with a great ‘left foot’....unfortunately cancelled out by his ‘right.’**

**NAME :** PAUL ADKIN (BOD)  
**AKA :** LURCH  
**POSITION :** YOU TELL ME !!?

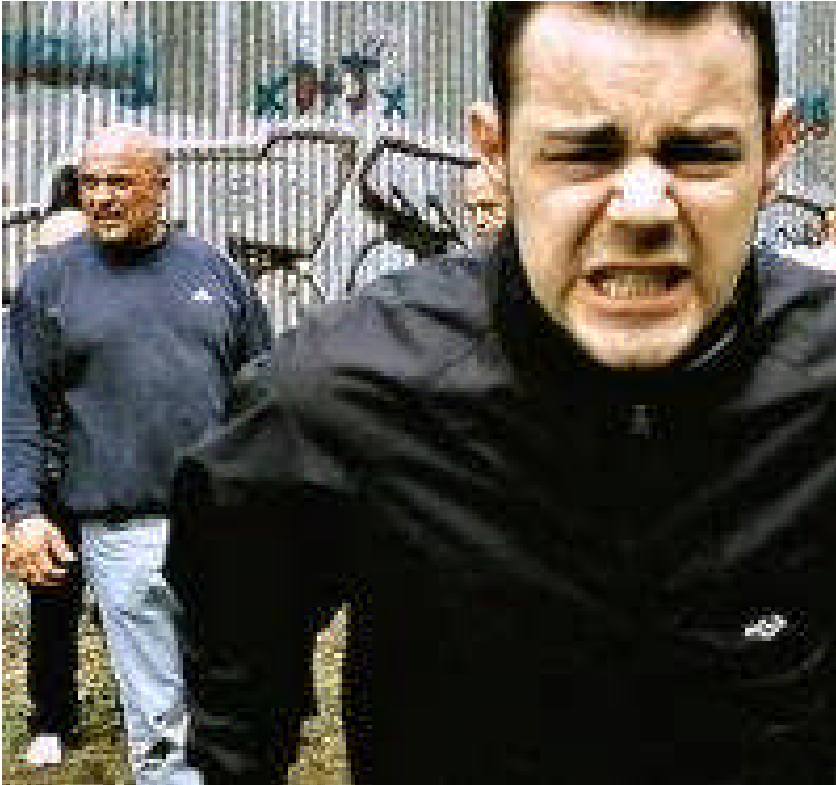


**Bod was another player who started the season ‘on fire.’ He can score goals out of nowhere...which is a good job - cos that is where he usually is !!!**

**Saves a fortune on toiletries...he never has to wash his hair after a game, and has donated his razor to his ‘new bird.’ !!!**

**As lethal as Robbie Fowler in his prime.....with his ‘nose’ that is, not his feet !!!**

**NAME :** JOHN RICKSON  
**AKA :** GENERAL NUTTER  
**POSITION :** CENTRE-FORWARD



**Ricko was another consistent presence....after finishing his “anger-management classes” (he didn’t graduate....he got chucked out after ‘battering’ his sponsor) !!!**

**Knows where the net is....but doesn’t always know how to get there. Also partial to ‘flip-flops’ (as noticed by Deano) !**

**NAME :** DEAN ROME  
**AKA :** DESPERATE DAN  
**POSITION :** RIGHT-MIDFIELD, RIGHT-BACK



**Deano is one of our most committed players, having coined the “Styal till I die” phrase.”**

**Unfortunately more memorable for his literary skills than his football....having penned the now infamous “Styal Rant” and the “semi-final battle-cry.”**

**Also had a go at the Gaffer about not getting a game one week, despite his undying commitment...and then promptly went off to watch Carlisle the following Saturday !!! Particular aversion to flip-flops.**

**NAME :** JAMES MOORE  
**AKA :** CHESNEY / JONNO'S ILLEGITIMATE CHILD  
**POSITION :** LEFT-BACK



**Mooro was one of our best players, who if he had played the full season, could have helped us win the league.**

**Has a superb delivery with his left foot, very accurate and could put a ball 'on a sixpence' .....which is why Bod never got the ball !!!**

**A lovely lad with a great attitude, superb temperament and a future 1st team player.....its just a shame he's a "ginge!"**

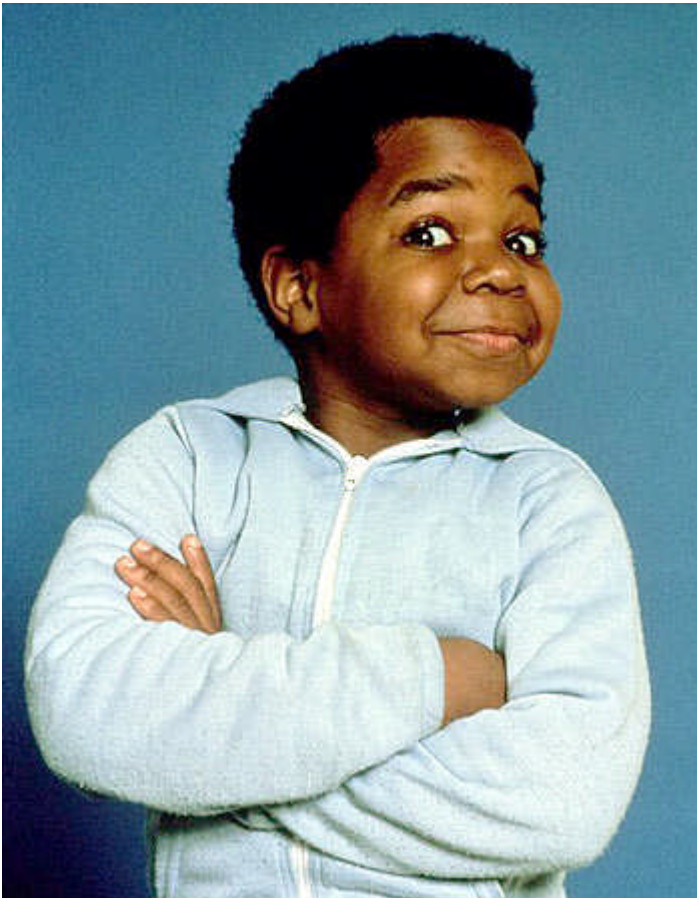
**NAME :** ANDY GIBLIN  
**AKA :** NODDY / LORD LUCAN  
**POSITION :** CENTRE-HALF



**Gibbo was welcomed back with open arms.....even though it was strangely after we got to the semi-finals & hit top of the league !!! Still – at least he managed to put the door up !!!**

**Has a great ‘party-piece’ ....but we’re all still waiting for the “helium” to wear off (Gibbo’s Ball !!!) !**

**NAME :** MATT WEST  
**AKA :** “WHAT YOU TALKING ABOUT WILLIS???”  
**POSITION :** CENTRE-FORWARD & TEAM TREASURER



**Talk about a tale of 2 halves to the season! Started explosively....but unfortunately ran out of ammo.**

**Apparently helped Marcus lose weight....by absorbing it off him (it was like watching the “Nutty Professor!”) !!!**

**NAME :** RYAN BUCKLEY  
**AKA :** GRACE JONES / MICAH RICHARDS  
**POSITION :** CENTRE-MIDFIELD



**Ryan also guested for the A Team – though as a 2<sup>nd</sup>-teamer it did take him some time to adjust to ‘humour on a Saturday.’ A lovely lad who would run through brick walls for you.....if the price was right!!!**

**Works hard on his physique.....as you can see above. He couldn’t get his training tops to fit like Ollie Barnes – so he resorted to “painting” them on!!! (By the way, the guy on his left is Matty Barnes .....with his mouth full !!!).**



**NAME :** MIKE POCHIN  
**AKA :** PAUL MERSON / JIMMY “6 CHINS”  
**POSITION :** RIGHT BACK / “THE ENFORCER”



**Poch was another guest-star from the 2nds. He was dropped after going missing from the 2nds to visit his ‘health farm’ (to lose some of his chins)!!!**

**Another lovely lad, but a bit vain. Always the last out of the showers after taking his face-pack off! Apparently has a cracking bird that no-one, apart from Si Roberts, has actually seen.....tells it’s own story.**