

Streakers, sausages and

Southend saga

The fixture computer is an odd beast. Generally, it does a great job of spreading out home and away matches – ensuring that when you play a particular team, you don't get the return fixture for another four or five months.

But for some strange reason, there's always one team every season you end up playing twice in the space of a month. This year, the fixture computer decided this team would be Southend, with a trip to Roots Hall in early October and then the return game at the City Ground in mid-November.

As it turned out, the two games pretty much summed up Forest's overall season so far, with them having recorded a comfortable (if unspectacular) home win, and a highly-uninspiring away defeat.

Still, the trip to Southend was an eventful one – not least due to the entertainment provided by the female streaker who came hurtling across the pitch seemingly from nowhere just as

BIG MATCH PREVIEW

Yeovil-Forest

Huish Park, tomorrow – kick-off 3pm

By Paul Taylor

SPENCER Weir-Daley believes Nottingham Forest have discovered the formula for success in League Two.

The striker admits Gary Megson's side found it hard going in the early stages of the season, when they made a less than auspicious start.

But the 20-year-old – who has been with the club for a decade – says the team have now

The Nottingham Evening Post's preview of the Yeovil game – the Reds certainly played like a team heading for League 2!

the second half was about to start. Not since Alan Rogers was banished from the first team have such a pair of bouncing mammaries been spotted on the field of play.

With travelling Reds fans having taunted Southend's Freddie Eastwood with chants of "You should've signed for a big club", in reference to him having turned down a move to the City Ground a few months

previously, it was inevitable that he'd go on and score the game's only goal. Burning down the town's pier by way of retribution was a bit harsh though!

The return game, meanwhile, saw the coldest day at the City Ground in living memory, yet Gary Megson still spent the entire first half stood in his technical area wearing just a shirt and tie! Now, we know he's ginger and buff, but this was ridiculous! Perhaps he's a closet Phil Collins fan, and was inspired by the balding crooner's seminal *No Jacket Required* LP?

the dressing room afterwards to give the team a rollicking, it's already inspired thousands of words of bile.

However, a special mention must go to lifelong Reds fan Steve Horner, whose 25th wedding anniversary fell on the day of the game. He duly told his wife Shirley that he'd be taking her away for the weekend to mark the occasion. One suspects that a dismal 3-0 Forest defeat was possibly not quite the romantic trip she would have been hoping for!

Conference call

One gag that's been doing the rounds since Forest belly-flopped into the third tier of English football is the suggestion that NFFC actually stands for 'Not Far From Conference'.

Joking aside though, the Reds' fortunes in cup competitions this season worryingly suggest that they'd find even non-league football a bit of a struggle! Less said about the LDV Vans defeat at Woking the better, while clinging on for a

Yeovil debacle

We shan't dwell too much on Forest's defeat at Huish Park because, from the shameful performance itself, to Megson's decision to drag two fans into

Reds get Googled

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