



TODAY'S TEAMS



READING vs SWANSEA CITY
WEDNESDAY 22nd JULY 2020, 7.30pm

Manager: Mark BOWEN

STARTING XI

RAFAEL 33
Chris GUNTER 2
Michael MORRISON 4
Matt MIAZGA 5
Liam MOORE 6
Andy RINOMHOTA 8
John SWIFT 10
Yakou MEITE 19
Michael OLISE 21
Omar RICHARDS 27
George PUSCAS 47

SUBSTITUTES

Sam WALKER 1
Jordan OBITA 11
Garath McCLEARY 12
Lucas BOYE 18
Felipe ARARUNA 20
Tyler BLACKETT 24
Ayub MASIKA 25
Charlie ADAM 26
Gabriel OSHO 34
Reading FANS 13

Manager: Steve COOPER

STARTING XI

25 Erwin MULDER
2 Marc GUEHI
5 Mike VAN DER HOORN
6 Jay FULTON
8 Matt GRIMES
19 Rhian BREWSTER
22 Andre AYEW
23 Connor ROBERTS
24 Jake BIDWELL
33 Conor GALLAGHER
44 Ben CABANGO

SUBSTITUTES

46 Josh GOULD
10 Bersant CELINA
12 Nathan DYER
15 Wayne ROUTLEDGE
18 Aldo KALULU
21 Yan DHANDA
30 Tivonge RUSHESHA
32 Liam CULLEN
41 Jordon GARRICK

OFFICIALS

Referee: Mr S Martin
Assistant Referees: Mr I Cooper, Mr M Scholes
Fourth Official: Mr J Smith

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MANAGER'S NOTES

Swansea City will ask serious questions of us tonight because they need to win to be in with a chance of finishing in the top six. So we need to start fast, begin the game on the front foot...because we need to finish off this season with a win at home. Our home form hasn't been great, so we need to make sure we don't just limp over the line tonight. We need to put a performance in that is worthy of three points for this club. It will be a really tough test. But the key thing is our mentality. We have the ability to go and get a result against Swansea City this evening, but our mentality has to be right!

Unlike our opponents, we don't have any specific target to set ourselves in terms of league position this evening. But these players shouldn't need any incentive. They shouldn't need me or my staff to constantly bang the drum. The aim to perform and the will to win has to come from within and they have to earn the trust of their teammates through consistent performances. We've fallen away in the last couple of games, so we have to win tonight at home.

Then comes a very short summer. It'll be a quick turnaround – maybe a 2-3 week break for the players and then they'll be back in, preparing for the start of next season. There is a lot of intensive work for us all to do in that short space of time, so it's going to be a difficult process. But, personally, I can't wait for next season to start.

Mark

Pos	Team	P	W	D	L	GD	Pts
1	Leeds	45	27	9	9	38	90
2	West Brom	45	22	16	7	32	82
3	Brentford	45	24	9	12	43	81
4	Fulham	45	23	11	11	16	80
5	Nottm Forest	45	18	16	11	11	70
6	Cardiff	45	18	16	11	7	70
7	Swansea	45	17	16	12	6	67
8	Preston NE	45	18	11	16	5	65
9	Millwall	45	16	17	12	3	65
10	Blackburn	45	17	12	16	4	63
11	Bristol City	45	17	11	17	-5	62
12	Derby	45	16	13	16	-4	61
13	Wigan	45	15	13	17	1	58
14	QPR	45	16	9	20	-9	57
15	Reading	45	15	11	19	4	56
16	Sheff Wed	45	15	11	19	-7	56
17	Stoke	45	15	8	22	-9	53
18	Huddersfield	45	13	12	20	-15	51
19	Middlesbrough	45	12	14	19	-14	50
20	Birmingham	45	12	14	19	-19	50
21	Charlton	45	12	12	21	-11	48
22	Luton Town	45	13	9	23	-29	48
23	Barnsley	45	11	13	21	-21	46
24	Hull City	45	12	9	24	-27	45

TEAM NEWS

In our last league game of the campaign, defender Matt Miazga makes a return to the starting XI to face Swansea City.

His inclusion is one of two changes from our previous outing – Liam Moore is the other inclusion, with Tom McIntyre missing after sustaining a head injury in Blackburn, and Tyler Blackett taking a place on the bench.

Scottish midfielder Charlie Adam and Kenyan winger Ayub Masika each return to the matchday squad to take a seat amongst the subs, while a back problem keeps Sam Baldock out of squad for our fixture against the Swans.

RESULTS

Friday 17 July 2020

Huddersfield 2 West Brom 1

Saturday 18 July 2020

Blackburn 4 Reading 3
 Charlton 2 Wigan 2
 Fulham 5 Sheff Wed 3
 Hull 0 Luton 1
 Middlesbrough 1 Cardiff 3
 Preston 2 Birmingham 0
 QPR 4 Millwall 3
 Stoke 1 Brentford 0
 Swansea 1 Bristol City 0

Sunday 19 July 2020

Barnsley 1 Nottm Forest 0
 Derby 1 Leeds 3

FIXTURES

Wednesday 22 July 2020

Birmingham vs Derby 7.30pm
 Brentford vs Barnsley 7.30pm
 Bristol City vs Preston 7.30pm
 Cardiff vs Hull 7.30pm
 Leeds vs Charlton 7.30pm
 Luton vs Blackburn 7.30pm
 Millwall vs Huddersfield 7.30pm
 Nottm Forest vs Stoke 7.30pm
 Reading vs Swansea 7.30pm
 Sheff Wed vs Middlesbrough 7.30pm
 West Brom vs QPR 7.30pm
 Wigan vs Fulham 7.30pm



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