

“I saw the best clubs of my generation destroyed by corporate greed...”

Once upon a time there was a football club. And we all loved it...

But then some bright spark had the idea of selling shares in it and creating a plc, and we were so busy enjoying the success that we'd always deserved that we pretended not to notice; even though year after year the match going experience became more and more of a chore, and less and less fun...

...then the last two snakes in Ireland sold us down the river to a gnome-type thing and a lot of us decided enough was enough.

Well that may be the last time I ever refer to MUFC.

Who knows? Maybe one day we can return “to the place where we belong”, ...but until that day comes we have an alternative - enjoying the fantastic buzz of watching a team of lads who want to play in the red shirt, in grounds where we can stand and have a laugh with our mates at 3 o'clock on a Saturday, just like it was in the olden days. The pre-season friendlies have been fantastic, and have made me remember just how much fun it used to be following a football team, and I know I'm not the only one still buzzing off it.

In the words of a rival supporter “Maybe by following FC United you'll get your footballing soul back and in that regard I envy you.”

These could be good times my fellow reds! This magazine may be a one off, or we may do another one, we don't really know. Like FC United, it's a step into the unknown. We have no official ties to the club, and no real agenda...it was conceived during a post

match drinking session in a Salford alehouse.

It exists so that the match going red can read it and have a laugh, start a heated debate, or even tell us how much you're enjoying yourself, (but mainly because we just wanted to do something - Punk Rock!!)...like a pint, and a pie, the fanzine is another important part of the match-going experience, and I hope you feel it was worth the asking price...

Now let's all enjoy ourselves.

If nothing else it'll be one hell of a ride!



Wolfie

PS1 We're not here to talk about the other club (partly because it breaks my heart to think of it), but there's a lot of established fanzines keeping those bases covered, and they are doing a great job in trying to win the soul of the club back, and my hat goes off to them. Keep the faith!

PS2 Let's behave ourselves. Yeah, it's kinda fun to turn up to nowheresville and swagger around a bit like we own the town, but let's leave it at that. The last thing we want is a reputation and having the police on our case because of “incidents”, mainly because it goes against the spirit of FCUM, but also because the club won't be able to afford it if we have to start paying out for policing.