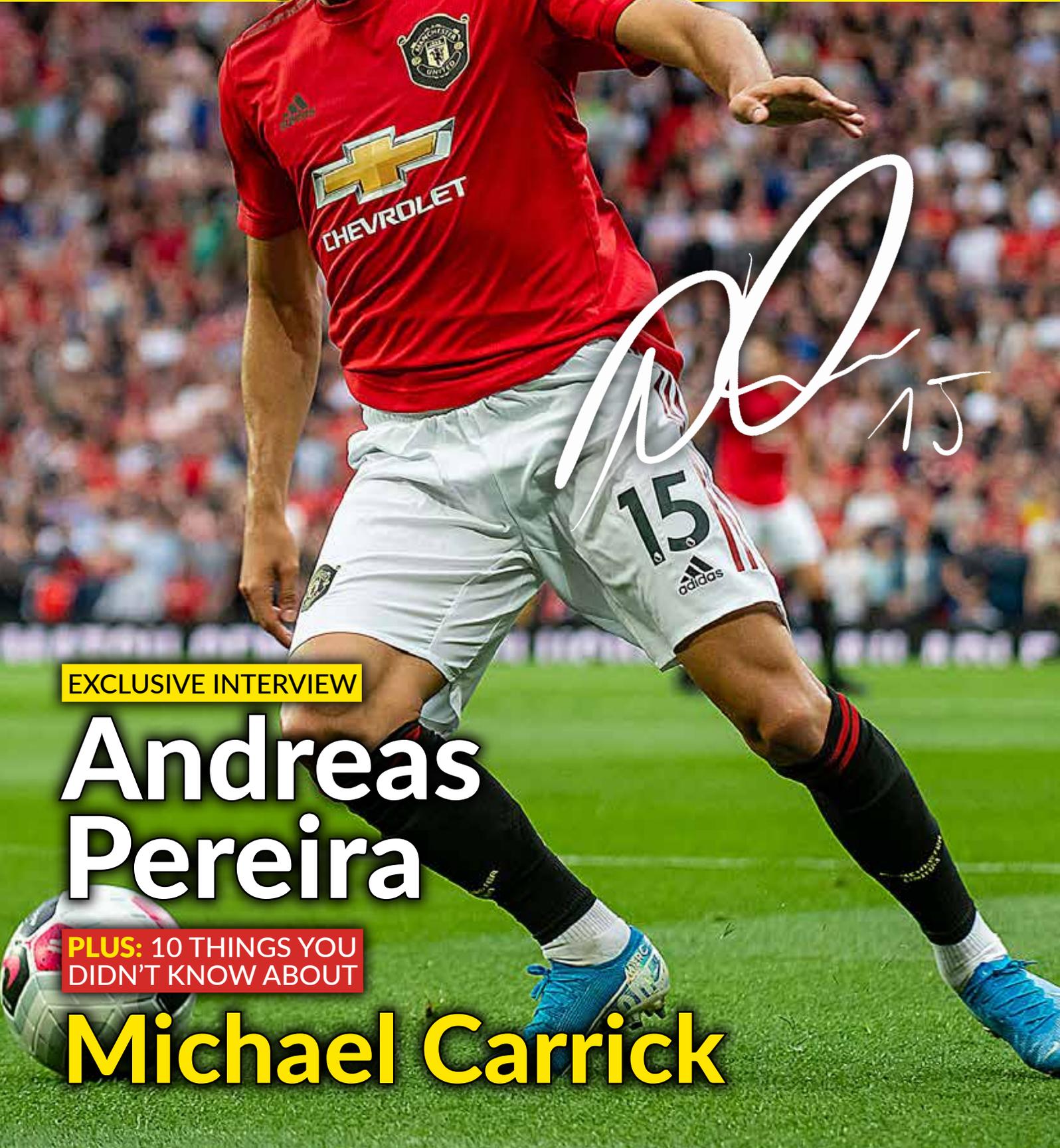


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Latest news from the MUDSA Committee

Here we go with another season and definitely one to look forward to. We have Ole at the wheel and the youngest team in the Premier League. There will be ups and downs, but the football we've seen so far is encouraging. We hope you enjoy this issue and a big thank you to Jamie and Des for all their efforts and Andreas Peirera for giving us his time.

Netting/Safety

The Club will be deploying the netting we saw for the first time last season on a game-by-game evaluation basis. At this point, it's envisaged this will mostly mean Europa League games, not PL matches. However, this will be monitored throughout the season and we'll discuss it again next May.

MUDSA Dinner

MUDSA are thrilled that the manager has agreed to be our special guest at our Annual dinner, held in the Manchester Suite on November 8th. Bearing in mind we have a Europa league game the night before,

it's a heck of a commitment for him to make and we'd like to place on record our thanks to him.

It's a tremendous event and one of the highlights of the season for our members. If you'd like to join us go to www.mudsa.org.uk for details.

Level Playing Field NW Forum

The LPF forum event held at Old Trafford went really well and we had people attending from all over the country. I spoke briefly about the new facilities which are due to come on line this season and in general about the relationship between the Club and it's disabled supporters. It's only really when you mix with disabled supporters from other clubs that you realise how much more support we get from our club compared to the rest.

MUDSA Cup

This year's MUDSA cup took place at the Aon Training Complex and we attracted even more teams than last year with many sending two squads, as we

had two cups on offer for two different age groups.

Aston Villa, Manchester City, Hull City, Arsenal, Cardiff City, Norwich City all sent teams and they had a fabulous time. We were pretty nervous when both City teams came through and won their semi finals, but Cardiff won one final and Norwich the other.

Nathaniel Yates, the MUDSA youth ambassador presented the medals and trophies to the winners and the runners up, although all the kids got a medal and had a great day. If you Google "MUDSA Cup" you'll be able to see a short video with the highlights. A big thank you to Alex Wilson too who did all the hard work while we grabbed the glory!

Social Media

We now have the following social media accounts for you to stay up to date with MUDSA:

Twitter: MUDSA - Official / @MudsaO

Facebook: facebook.com/officialmudsa/

Instagram: instagram.com/mudsa_official/

Chas Banks, MUDSA Secretary

Old Trafford accessibility upgrades Q+A with GPS boss, Gary Hebblewhite

1 LIFTS: People are concerned about having to access the new platforms via lifts.

Approximately how many wheelchairs can fit in the lifts at the Stretford end?

There will be 4 x 33 person lifts. Each lift has a capacity of three large wheelchairs and companions.

What happens if one breaks down?

The emergency evacuation time of 12 minutes can be achieved with 3 lifts.

What happens if there is a power cut?

The lifts have two sources of power, which is a requirement for evacuation lifts.

If there was a need to evacuate, are the lifts safe to use? People are used to being told not to use a lift in the event of an emergency. People are particularly worried about large heavy power chairs.

As stated above, these are evacuation lifts and are designed to be used in emergencies. This methodology is already established (with smaller lifts) in the NE and NW quadrants at level 7 where wheelchair viewing already exists.

2 The View: Concerns have been expressed about what the view will be like from the new platform in the Stretford End, suggesting there won't be a clear view of the goals at the far end. Is this true?

The views have a sight line to 6m above the far goal line. This is higher than the recommended 5m. Speakers suspended from the roof will restrict the view slightly further but not significantly.

3 Will all the new platforms (including the away fans area) have a degree of flexibility built in to provide family & friends seating, by installing seats in unused wheelchair spaces?

It is planned to have this facility in the new areas.

4 Will the new platform at the Stretford End have a Changing Places facility?

Yes a full Changing Places facility will be located on the concourse feeding the Stretford End Wheelchair viewing areas at Level 7.

5 Will space heaters (like the ones they use outside pubs) be fitted overhead in the food and drink area in the Stretford end and Will TV screens be fitted in the new concourses?

Although not part of the project initially, power will be provided for MUFC to install later.

6 Will the easy access seats have more space, to enable people to move along the row?

Easy access seats will have minimum tread depths of 800mm (the majority of Old Trafford has 660mm tread depths).



Artists' impressions of the new Stretford End facilities when finished

New Stretford End facilities are under construction ready for next season

MUDSA is very pleased to see the expansion of facilities for disabled supporters currently taking place at Old Trafford. With 58 brand new wheelchair spaces, all with carer seats by their sides being provided in the new facility at the back of the Stretford End alone.

There will also be new wheelchair spaces and Easy Access seating in all of the new locations (back of the current family stand and the North West Quadrant) plus a new facility for the away fans at the

back of the current away section which will provide 28 wheelchair spaces — all with a carer seat.

Furthermore, there will be another Changing Places facility within the Stretford end facility as well as a kiosk for food and drink.

Although like most building projects, it's currently running a little behind schedule, we are all confident that we will reach the end of what has been a long journey by the end of the season and the Club will be fully compliant with the Accessible Stadia Guide



in every way, including operationally, not just numbers of spaces provided.

Finally, I'd like to thank the Club for taking on board our suggestions and comments throughout this process — especially embracing the idea of flexible seating to provide friends and family positions.

You'll find the response to the questions I asked the head of GPS, Gary Hebblewhite, to the right, which should answer many of your questions.

Michael Carrick

10 things you probably didn't know about United's coach and former midfield maestro

Michael Carrick – midfield maestro, emergency centre back, captain, mentor and coach. 12 years a player at United after signing for £18 million in 2006 making 316 appearances.

Here are a few facts about our first team coach – but one of them isn't true?

- 1 Born in Wallsend, east of Newcastle, Michael grew up as a die-hard Newcastle fan.
- 2 He started his career as a centre forward but it wasn't until he joined West Ham that coaches realised he had greater potential in midfield.
- 3 Michael has a brother called Graeme who also played for West Ham but several severe injuries prevented a professional career. He went on to be a youth coach and played in Michael's testimonial.
- 4 He was bought by United (£18m) to fill the void left by former captain Roy Keane and took the number 16 shirt previously worn by Roy.
- 5 Michael is one of two English players to win all club trophies including – European, Europa, Premiership, FA Cup, League Cup, Charity Shield and Club World Cup can you name the other player?
- 6 He has only been sent off once in his career! Can you name the game?

WARNING:
One of these facts might be made up!

- 7 Michael married his childhood sweetheart Lisa Roughead who is a palates instructor with a business degree and they have two children.
- 8 In his spare time, Michael likes to play the flute and is self-taught, citing James Galway as an inspiration. His ambition is play Mozart's Flute Concerto No. 1 with the Halle Orchestra.
- 9 Michael has set up the Michael Carrick Foundation stating: "So many children grow up in poverty, lacking positive role models and safe places to play. We are committed to changing this." Over last year the foundation has supported 2893 people across Greater Manchester and Tyne and Wear.
- 10 According to his autobiography, Michael nearly signed for Arsenal to replace Patrick Vieira. He had a meeting with Arsene Wenger but he never heard anything after that. Instead, they played Cesc Fabregas in that position.

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Height:	6 ft 2 in (1.88 m)
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Honours (MUFC)	
Premier League:	2006-07, 2007-08, 2008-09, 2010-11, 2012-13
FA Cup:	2015-16
League/EFL Cup:	2009-10, 2016-17
Community Shield:	2007, 2008, 2010, 2011, 2013, 2016
Champions League:	2007-08
Europa League:	2016-17
Club World Cup:	2008





Cardiff and Norwich winners at 2019 MUDSA Cup

On Saturday 29th June 2019 the second annual MUDSA Cup was held at the AON Training Centre in Carrington.

The event is organised by the Manchester United Foundation and sponsored by MUDSA with trophies and medals given to the winners and all participants.

MUDSA Secretary Chas Banks spoke about the work MUDSA does in helping at events like this, and Nathaniel Yates our young ambassador presented the Trophies. Even the sun came out as children of all abilities competed for the fantastic MUDSA Cup.

Two categories were held for two different levels of ability, meaning there were actually two trophies up for grabs and the teams involved were Arsenal, Aston Villa, Cardiff City, Hull City, Manchester City and Manchester United.

A league system was played for the first round with 1st playing 2nd in the final, and needless to say there was some fantastic football played.

One league game was particularly memorable as Arsenal's towering centre back crashed a goal in from the half way line.

You can tell from the pictures that all the players

had a fantastic day, and being able to play on top-class facilities made it all the better. Who wouldn't want to grace pitches where heroes like Paul Pogba and Marcus Rashford grew up training? As a football fan who's never had the privilege I can tell you I'd have given anything to join them on the pitch.

The competition was fierce with many close games and a few high scoring shoot outs. A 5-3 victory for Man City versus Cardiff being the day's biggest event for goal action. The skills demonstrated by the children were fantastic with nutmegs embarrassing even the best defences.

A large group of proud parents looked on, cheering their children and the teams. The medical staff were on the ball dealing with some minor injuries and making sure everyone drank plenty of water. The event was impressively organised by the Manchester United Foundation with all bases covered.

When it was time for the two finals there was only one thing missing – Manchester United. Having battled hard, like all the teams, it became Manchester City vs Cardiff City in one final and Manchester City vs Norwich City in the other final. For us Reds this

could be a worst-case scenario. Could City take home both of the MUDSA Cups?

Both finals were close games with all players putting in great performances. I'd have expected to see some tired legs by this stage but given a renewed energy from reaching the final it was far from that.

Like all great days it had to end and there can be only one, or in this case, two winners. Cardiff City and Norwich made their long journeys home a lot easier by taking the trophies. Man City deserve another mention for being runners up in both categories.

For my first time at the MUDSA Cup event I had a fantastic time, a true sentiment to how hard all the teams and their coaches worked was one of the winning coaching teams asking if they could have a medal too. That was something I felt really showed how proud they were of their team.

Thank you to all the players and coaches, to all those involved in helping this be a fantastic event. I look forward to being involved again next year when Manchester United are my tip to come back with a bang and take home the trophy.

Rick Clement









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MUDSA QUIZ...

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| 1 Who is the most successful manager in Manchester United's history? | 7 Who scored the winning goal in the 1990 FA Cup Final replay win against Crystal Palace |
| 2 Who is the current United manager? | 8 What shirt number did Michael Owen wear for Manchester United? |
| 3 How many Premier League goals did Pau Pogba score for United in the 2018/19 season? | 9 Who scored Manchester United's fourth goal in the 1968 European Cup Final win over Benfica? |
| 4 Which club did Daniel James transfer from to Manchester United? | 10 In 1996, who scored the winner for Manchester United in the FA Cup Final? |
| 5 Who did Manchester United play in the 1991 Cup Winners Cup Final in Rotterdam? | |
| 6 Who was named Sir Matt Busby's successor as Manchester United manager? | |

1: Sir Alex Ferguson, 2: Ole Gunnar Solskjaer, 3: Swansea City, 4: 15, 5: Barcelona, 6: Wulf McGuinness, 7: Lee Martin, 8: Number 7, 9: Sir Bobby Charlton, 10: Eric Cantona.



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Andreas Pereira

Since signing for the Reds at the age of 16, way back in 2011, Andreas Pereira has won everything there is to win at junior level for Manchester United as well as playing for both his birth country of Belgium and his family's national team – Brazil! Here he shares with Rollin' Reds readers the story of his career so far...

RR: For those who don't know your history as a player, you made your big break in the first team last year. But talk us through before that...

AP: I joined United when I was 16. I played in the youth team and in the reserves. I made my debut under Louis van Gaal, in a match against MK Dons, which we lost in 2015. After that, I made my first start in the same season, in a cup game and scored a free kick. Since then, I've been on loan to Grenada one season. For myself, I played and it was a good season. Then I returned for pre season the following season, and then went on loan to Valencia. That was also a very good year for me, but I was unlucky to get injured at the end.

RR: What was the injury?

AP: It was a thigh injury, in the semi final of the cup against Barcelona. But overall it was good for me to go out on loan and get the experience. I came back last season and I'm happy to enjoy United with that experience and a lot of games under my belt. Now I

just try to get better every game. While I was away, I played in a lot of games and I have improved a lot.

RR: How did you adapt to the culture in Spain? Was it easy for you?

AP: It was easy to fit in, to be fair. I grew up in Belgium and in Holland. My family is also from Brazil, so I'm used to a lot of cultures.

RR: Do you speak Spanish?

AP: Yes, I speak Spanish, Portuguese, Dutch, English and French.

RR: How did your parents end up in Belgium?

AP: My dad and mum are from Brazil, but my dad was a professional football player as well and ended up playing in Belgium. That's where I was born.

RR: So was there a lot of pressure from your dad to become a footballer as well, or was it always something you wanted?

AP: I grew up watching my dad playing football, going to training with him. He never really put pressure on me. I just liked football a lot.

RR: You had the choice to play for Belgium or Brazil – the two top ranked national teams in the world at the moment. Was it hard to choose?

AP: I have played in the youth teams for Belgium and after that played in the youth team, the U20s and Olympic squad with Brazil. Yes, it was a difficult decision. I had been growing up in Belgium, and all of my best friends were there too. I'll always be grateful to Belgium, because they gave me the opportunity for me and my family to live there. But my whole

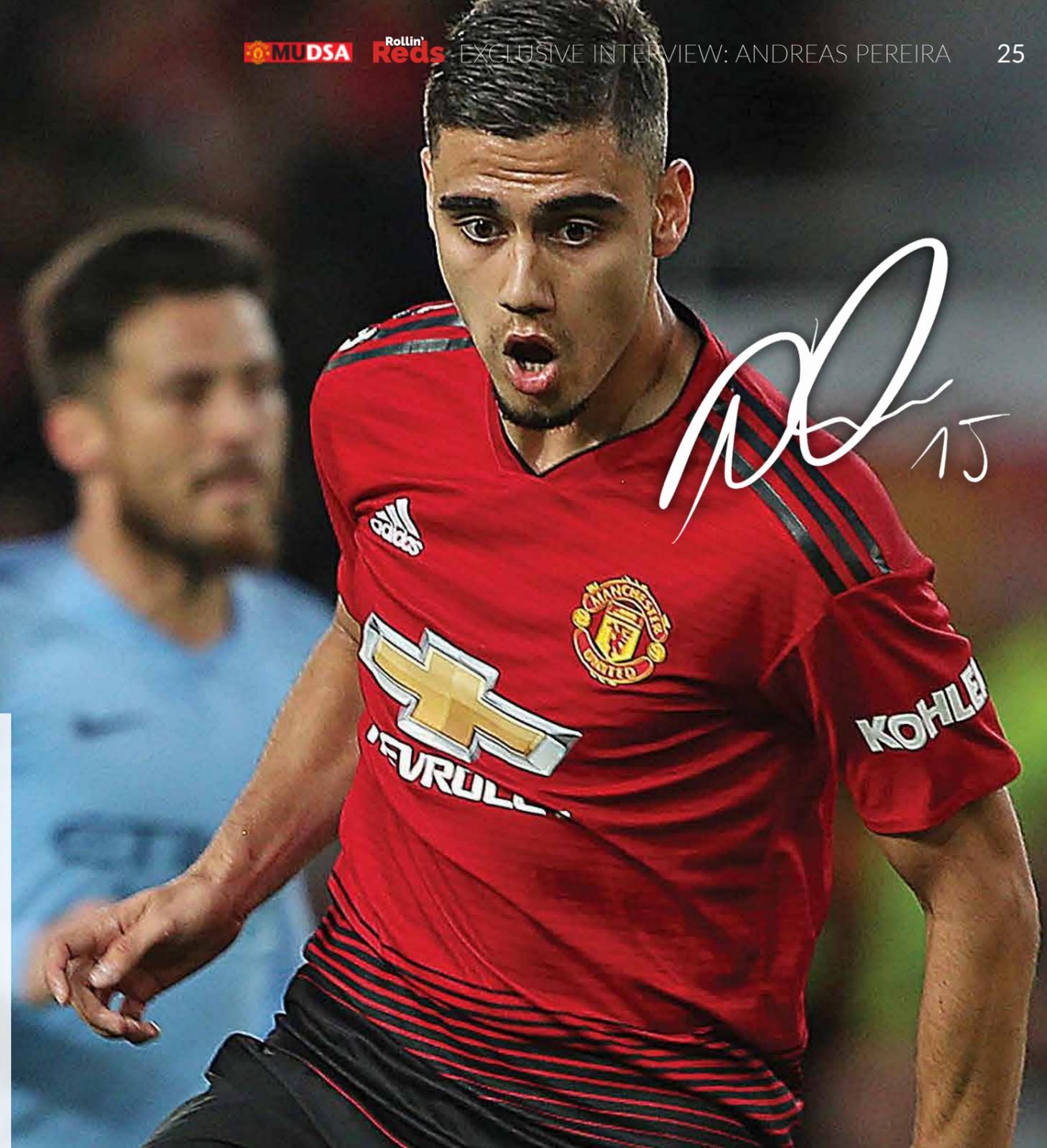
family is from Brazil, so they would kill me if I didn't play for Brazil!

RR: Are your family over here in England now?

AP: My mum and dad have a house in Belgium. I live here with my wife. But my dad always comes to watch the games. My mum comes over once in a while. She was here for the Chelsea match.

RR: What would you say are the highlights of your career so far?

AP: For sure, the win against PSG. I started in that





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 Individual: Denzil Haroun Reserve Team Player of the Year: 2014/15
 Manchester United Goal of the Season: 2018/19 (vs. Southampton, 2 March 2019)

game and it was a very special game. Everyone had already given up on us. Everyone outside of United didn't believe we could do it. We went with a very young squad that hadn't played a lot. But we stood up for each other and listened to the manager and the team plan. Everything worked out perfectly.

RR: Did everyone in the team really believe you could beat PSG?

AP: I think the young players believed in it. We were like, we have to show everyone that we were united and can do it, when everybody believed we couldn't. I've known Scotty (Scott McTominay) and Rashy (Marcus Rashford) since the youth team, and there we were all playing together. It was like one big family. We did it.

RR: And you won goal of the season last season at the Club?

AP: Yes, the fans voted for me on the website, which was brilliant.

RR: Sir Alex Ferguson signed you from PSV

Eindhoven. We read that he came round to visit you. Is that right?

AP: Ah, no. I went to Carrington, and that's where I met him.

RR: You started against Chelsea, and we won 4-0 with players such as Juan Mata on the bench. How does that feel when you get in the starting line-up before players like that?

AP: I don't feel any pressure because I'm starting ahead of an unbelievable player. But it's something I feel proud of and it's a great honour and the get the confidence from the manager that I'm doing well. That's what I've worked for. I worked a lot on myself to self-develop and to get a start. To get it in such a big game, the start of the season, was a great feeling.

RR: We've seen you play right across the midfield before. Didn't you start out on the left?

AP: Yes, I started there and then moved to the right. Against Chelsea, I started in the number 10 position, and then moved out right.



RR: What do you feel is your best position?

AP: I think my best position is as a number 10, behind the striker, because I can play those passes into the striker to set up goals. That's my biggest quality. But I also have an eye for goal and a good shot, which I've shown. But I can play on the right and left as well. I think I have to grab my chance with every opportunity, be that with an assist or a goal. That's what I'm trying to do.

RR: Talking about the squad, what's it like being in the youngest squad in the Premier League at the moment?

AP: You know, it's good. Against Chelsea, for example, we started with five players from the academy and there were two on the bench. I think it's great that we have experienced players who help us and tell us

what to do, but we also have the young players who want to do everything for this club, for the players, the fans, the whole team. It's a great mixture.

RR: Who would you class as the more experienced players? Because even some of those are really young now...

AP: I think the oldest guy was David de Gea on the pitch against Chelsea. When I started at United, I was always with Jesse Lingard in the youth team and the reserves, so it was good he was playing against Chelsea too.

RR: How are the new players fitting in, like Harry and Aaron?

AP: Yeah, they're all good lads. They are training well and have settled really quickly.

RR: Then there are players like Greenwood and Gomez. They look exciting players. Do you have much contact with them, because now you are breaking into the first team?

AP: I speak a lot with them. They are my friends and I will always try to help them, because I have been in



that position. They know what to do. They are very calm and humble boys. They want to get there.

RR: Do you think that having such a young squad takes some of the pressure off?

AP: I think you could say that, but being at United since we were young, we have been used to winning everything, winning trophies all the way through. We know that for the past few years we haven't been winning at the Club like we used to, and a club like United has to win trophies, so there is always pressure.

We know it. We've been dealing with it since we were young here. Since joining at 16, I've won every league with the reserves, and we want to bring that to the first team. We want to win things. We want to win the league. We want to win everything that's possible.

RR: You must have quite a big trophy cabinet already?

AP: Ha, yes!

RR: When Ole took over, we went on a really good unbeaten run. But the momentum seemed to stop.

I think you can start to see that now. We were out-running a lot of our opponents in the first two matches and we are a lot fitter, so we can play the way Ole wants and go full out.

RR: Could you sense it at the Club last season? Were people losing confidence at that time?

AP: Everyone was just a bit down. We were losing games and nobody could really understand why. You could feel it. We were not feeling as sharp as we were before. Of course, we were not happy with how the season ended. But we worked very hard to make sure it doesn't happen again.

RR: What do you think United can achieve this season?

AP: I think it's good that the pundits focus on City and Liverpool. It's good to take us out of the focus, so that we can do our thing and win games. We'll see in the end.

RR: What would make a good season for the Club?

AP: We try to win everything we can, but we have to get some silverware. I think we have to win at least two trophies. That's what I'm thinking in my head and I'm sure that's what the rest of the players are thinking too. For me, I want to get as many starts as I can. But I don't want to get insignificant starts, where we don't win. I want to play to win, to get trophies and be important for United.

RR: Someone I was talking to here before this interview told me you had really come out of your shell recently. He seemed to think you were a bit shy before. What's happened there?

AP: I've been growing up. I'm 23 now. I've been here since I was a little boy and now I'm a man. The more you play, your confidence grows. You feel more comfortable with team-mates and the manager.

RR: You tweeted about racism recently, obviously with things that have been going on with other players. Have you ever experienced anything like that?

AP: I have been used to all different cultures when I came here, being born and bred in Belgium, having family in Brazil and experiencing all the different cultures in England. For me, I'm used to it and there's never been any racism. But I think we need to be more open and try to respect everyone. I think people say things on social media to get a reaction.

RR: Which players are your best friends?

AP: It's Fred, he's from Brazil, Diogo, Anthony, Paul... they're all friends.

RR: How do you feel being compared to some of our heroes like Paul Scholes?

AP: You know, it's an honour to be compared to someone like Scholes. I just like to play like him, maybe just to get 1% of his ability! At my house, I always put on old matches of United players. I watch Beckham a lot, and Cantona for sure.

What happened there?

AP: I don't know. We maybe got a bit relaxed. We weren't doing the things we were doing at the start. But you just can not relax. Of course, it was not good for us last season. But it's good that we have that as a lesson, and learn from it.

RR: Do you think fitness was a problem?

AP: Yes, we were not used to playing at the high intensity that the manager wanted us to play and that's a thing we worked a lot on in the pre-season.



From marathons to Mayor...

My journey through life has been hectic and the last 44 years have been amazing but at times extremely challenging.

I have been watching United for 34 years and part of MUDSA since 1999. I have three fantastic sons Thomas, Harry and Ace, they are very proud of my achievements and I am sure they will be motivated and inspired to continue the excellent work I do. I have the same determination and drive in other areas of my life, and I have many roles in our community.

From the age of 12, I suffered from leg ulcers and in 1997 I had my left leg amputated due to the 'super bug', MRSA. The following year I had my right leg amputated. I learnt to walk again but found it very difficult. This was a really stressful time for me and my family. My sons weren't born at the time but the support of my parents and two sisters in particular helped me through. It's all about the people that surround you and it came to a head that there were two directions to take. I could sit at home saying why me? Or I could get out and make the very best of life. There was only one answer for me. In 2001 after my final operation I decided to get on with life and achieve everything I could. Coming to watch United, going to the gym and other sports gave me a focus as well as the fact I had a reason to get up in the morning... My job!

I have completed the London Marathon twice – the first time I did it I'd been to watch United down at Portsmouth. We lost 1-0 and I was a little worse

MUDSA Member Alan Rayment shares his life story with Rollin' Reds

for wear, shall we say. I didn't let that stop me though and achieved a good time. I have completed various half marathons, 10K races and in 2005 I was the first person in the world to hand-cycle 500km through Vietnam and Cambodia.

In 2005, I was nominated for Volunteer of the Year Award in the Yorkshire area. I made it down to the final four volunteers and appeared on ITV Calendar. I didn't win but it was very rewarding to think people in my community voted for me. In 2008, I hand-cycled 1001 miles from Land End to John O'Groats and I represented Team GB in Para Triathlon, winning medals at national, European and world level. I have also carried two Olympic torches on their way to Athens in 2004 and London in 2012. Sport and education is an important part of my life.

In 2011 I was awarded an Honorary Degree of Doctor of Health Science by Prof David Fleming at St John University in York. This was in recognition of my contribution to sport, and this was in addition to my own degree from Huddersfield University as a teacher.

In May this year I was elected as Mayor of Crowle & Ealand, it is a privilege and an honor, and I will give



100% to the role and look forward to representing the area. To have more than 650 people vote for you in the community is amazing. I will be responsible for chairing the meetings of the nine council members. I will make sure the council is run professionally and responsibly. We are working on a project to improve the local cemetery – painting benches and maintaining the area whilst also planning a memorial wall. I'm lucky to be invited as a guest to local events and I'm helping co-ordinate VE celebrations for the anniversary with a street party. I am also Secretary of Crowle Community Hall, Treasurer for Crowle Colts JFC and Press Officer for Crowle & District Health Appeal. I have excellent communication skills; I'm a

people person with great organisation skills and I am extremely motivated.

As you can tell, I'm committed person who enjoys a challenge and strives for excellence and I always go that extra mile in everything I do.

Out of all my challenges the most physically difficult was cycling from Lands' End to John O'Groats. It was an extremely challenging event and both me and my family were proud at the end. My biggest success in life though so far is graduating as a teacher. It's something I feel really proud to have achieved. I'm even studying for a counselling degree now too. That alongside bringing up my boys is what makes me feel accomplished.

I volunteer and have been MC at local and world event races. With the charity "Link to Hope" I've cycled through Romania and Moldova, delivered shoeboxes packed with gifts and supplies in Romania and helped to build a workshop in Dancu Moldova, and now I coordinate the shoebox appeal.

All I want to do in life is be a positive role model for my three sons and others. All my achievement has taken hard work and dedication and I am so proud of what I have been able to achieve. I have two sayings 'everything is possible' and 'it's all about the motivation' I am proof with hard work and dedication you can make a difference.





The MUDSA annual bowling challenge is a great day out!

On 24th March 2019 MUDSA hosted the latest of our Annual Bowling days and if you've never been to one, you're missing a fantastic day out.

MUDSA members and their families of all ages come together for a day of fun bowling and plenty of laughs. Trophies are given to those who do well, and all the children receive a medal to make sure everyone goes home with a big smile. However, don't take my word for it. Here's a story from one of our members who attended for the first time.

In March I attended the MUDSA Bowling event. It is the first MUDSA event I had attended having only joined last year.

I became aware of MUDSA after taking my nephew on a stadium tour. I have had cerebral palsy from birth and it affects my mobility. Joining MUDSA was an opportunity to meet other United fans with disabilities as well as being able to attend home games more frequently as I am now able to apply for accessible seating.

What makes the event more special for me is being able to share it with my mum and my nephew CJ who is aged five. From a really early age my nephew has always been a big Manchester United fan and always knew the names and squad numbers of all the players

as well as singing all the United songs.

We've both been made to feel really welcome by all the other MUDSA members on the day of the bowling event and were lucky enough to be on a team with Chas, the MUDSA secretary. My nephew really enjoyed the day and chatting to Chas about all things to do with United. It was made even better for him as he won the junior achiever award and was on MUTV, much to his and our surprise, as we almost left before the awards were given out.

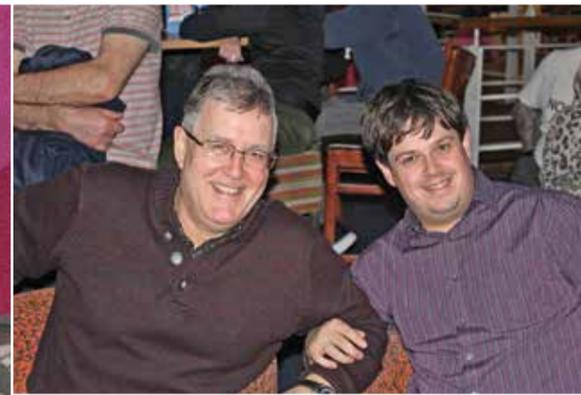
Even now a couple of months after the event my nephew still talks about the bowling day and shows off his trophy and photos from the day. He has since done a talk to his class in school on a show and tell day and choose the MUDSA as his topic to speak about.

On the day he explained about how I had become a member and also explained who he had met on the day of the bowling event as well showing off his trophy.

We are both very much looking forward to attending more MUDSA events in the future and getting the chance to meet some more fellow Reds.

Kayleigh Cunningham

As you can see Kayleigh and her family thoroughly enjoyed it, and so can you! So please join us next year.





Wes Brown swaps his boots for wheels

Wes Brown enjoyed trying a different style of football recently as he joined the Manchester United and Sale United powerchair teams for a training session.

The Treble-winner was delighted to spend time learning from the young players and practising a new skill. He also took part in a Q&A session, signed autographs and posed for photos, before handing out new season kit to the teams.

“I had a go and really enjoyed it; I even scored,” said Wes. “These guys are experts and it’s been brilliant to play with them. I think it’s really important the Foundation offers these opportunities to people of all abilities and they all love it.”

Powerchair football consists of a team of four players using specialised electric wheelchairs with a large front bumper to control and hit an oversized heavy football to score goals.

The Manchester United powerchair team forms part of Manchester United Foundation’s disability programme, Inclusive Reds, which is supported by the Premier League and BT Fund and aims to provide equal sport and physical activity opportunities for all. The Manchester United team runs in partnership with Sale United Powerchair Club, and the teams regularly compete in the West Midlands Regional League and the National Muscular Dystrophy UK League.

Wes continued, “The Foundation is definitely needed; the help they give young people in the community is amazing and the players and ex-players all love getting involved. To be able to support the Foundation and its programmes is brilliant.”

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Introducing



MUDSA

Member of the Year

Could it be you?

Are you, or a MUDSA Member you know, a pillar of the community that’s always there to help other people? Or are you somebody who’s achieved something amazing that you think deserves some recognition? If so, MUDSA is looking for nominations so we can reward someone for their efforts.

It could be:

- Your selfless carer who always goes the extra mile for you and anyone else they care for
- Yourself... Have you done particularly well, despite your disability, and achieved something spectacular?

The winner will receive a £100 Megastore voucher, a family stadium tour and a commemorative trophy to keep and display.

Send your nominations to enquiries@mudsa.org.uk



Name: Mike Watson

What do you think about the way Man United played last season? We were terrible, too many players playing for the money not the badge.

What will the score be, today? 2-0

Number of years supporting United: 56 years.

Earliest memory of United: David Herd breaking his leg against Leicester in 1967.

Best United memory: 1999 the treble

Favourite all-time United player: Would have to be George Best.

Favourite current United player: Juan Mata

What do you think of the summer signings and who is your favourite? There wasn't enough of them but my favourite is Wan Bissaka, he gives his all.

Who do you think will win the league? Manchester City

Where do you think United will finish in the league? Fifth hopefully fourth.

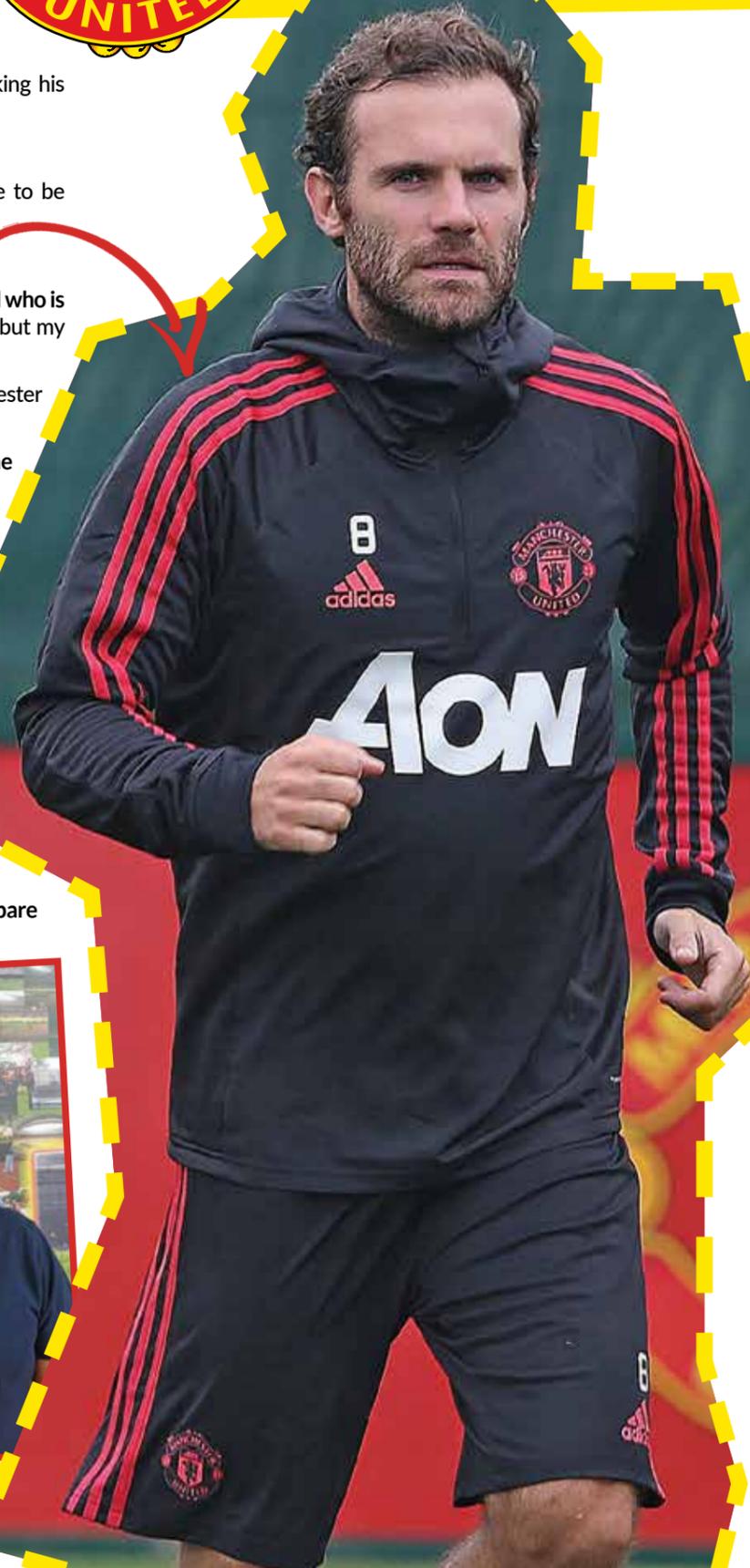
If you could offer any advice to any player - who would it be and what would you say? I would say to all the players: "Put the effort in and keep it up throughout the match."

Player would most like at United? Bruno Fernandes because I think we are a bit light in midfield.

Have you been to Old Trafford before? Yes lots.

What do you think of the disabled facilities here at Old Trafford? Very good.

How do the facilities at other grounds compare to here? I have been to a lot of grounds and seen their facilities and they are not a patch on ours.



Home and Away



The Theatre of Dreams welcomed Chelsea back in August for a Premier League showdown, and Rollin' Reds caught up with a couple of home and away fans for a chat before United went on to smash the Southern softies 4-0!

Name: Peter and Lisa Hayden

What do you think about the way Chelsea played last season? Not as well as we should have.

What will the score be, today? I'll go for 1-1.

Number of years supporting Chelsea? Peter: 50 years & Lisa: 20 years

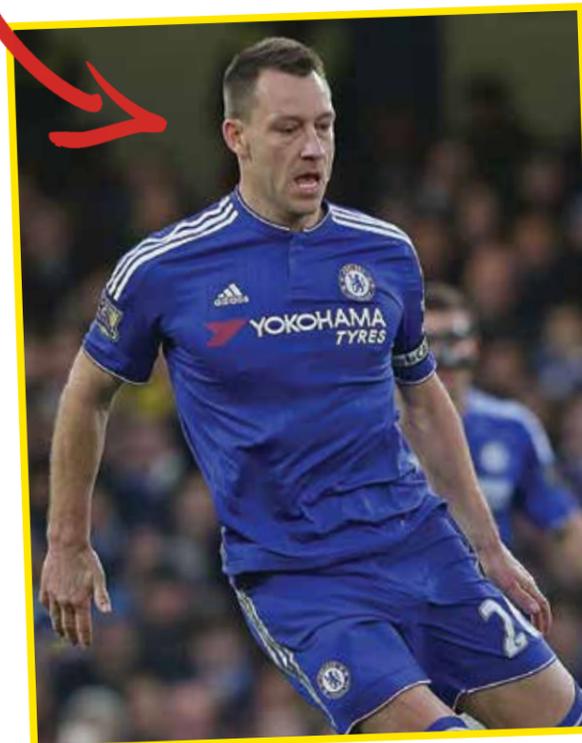
Earliest memory of Chelsea? FA Cup in 1970

Best Chelsea memory? Champion League win in 2012 all day long.

Favourite all-time Chelsea player? John Terry - Chelsea through and through.

Favourite current player? Callum Hudson Odoi. He's big and powerful player can only get better.

Player you would most like at Chelsea? Diego Costa - we would love to have him back.



What do you think about Chelsea losing Eden Hazard and how do you think Chelsea will cope? We're definitely going to miss him, especially his goals, yes massive loss.

Who do you think will win the league? Manchester City.

Where do you think Chelsea will finish in the league? Fourth so we get Champions League.

If you could offer any advice to any player - who would it be and what would you say? Keep your head and just play the game.

What are the disabled facilities like at Stamford Bridge? Improved, much better than it was but we need an Ability Suite like yours.

Have you been to Old Trafford before? Yes many times.

What do you think of the disabled facilities here at Old Trafford? Fantastic now we have been put on the top wheelchair platform next to our own fans - it's less intimidating.

How do the facilities at other grounds compare to here? Some work to do on the older grounds and some are open to the elements. I would say Burnley is the worst.

MUDSA Merchandise

We are committed to offering our members fairly priced products with all the profits going to MUDSA.

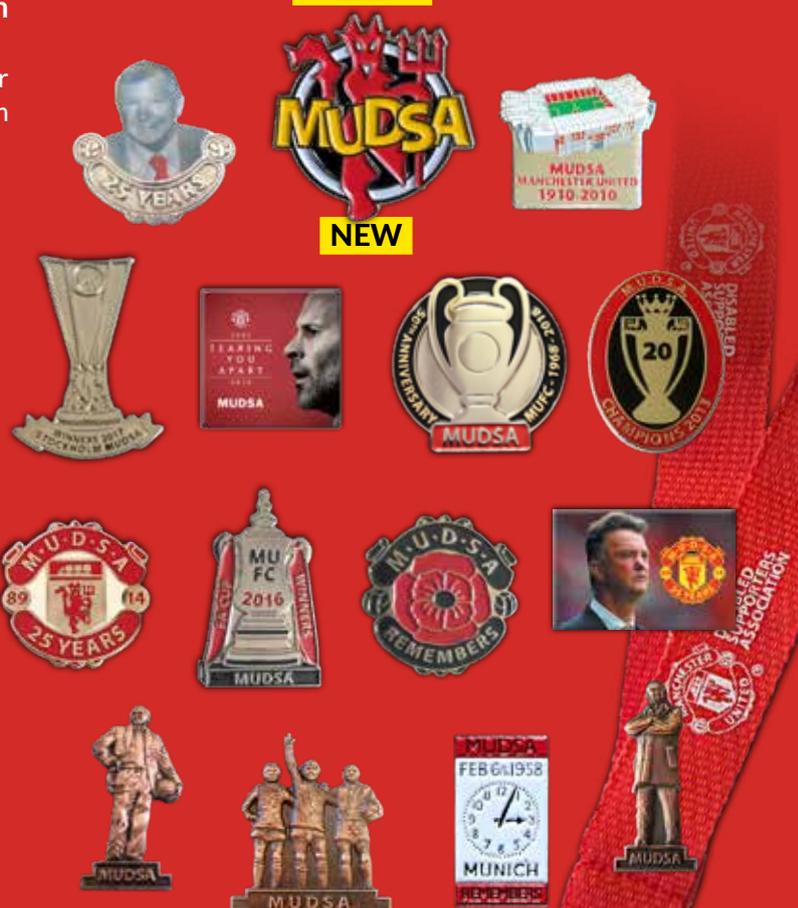
Merchandise is available on match days from our VI rep John Simister in the Ability Suite and also from the Club Museum on non-match days.

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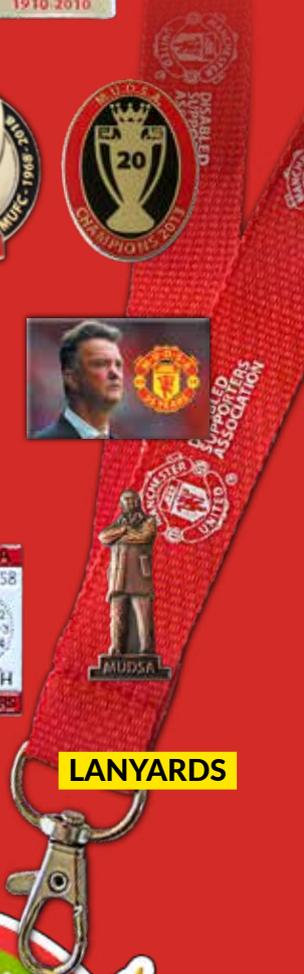
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