



A LOAN SIGNING: Yeovil boss Gary Johnson parades with the famous FA Cup during a press day at Walsley Park on Friday

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Johnson dismisses FA Cup record for Liverpool clash

GARY Johnson insists Yeovil Town's proud FA Cup record will count for nothing in today's FA Cup Third Round tie against Premiership giants Liverpool at Walsley Park (1pm kick-off).

Yeovil claimed 20 League scalps in their days as a non-League club before winning promotion from the Conference last season and today they bid to add to their reputation as giant-killers in front of the BBC Television cameras.

Yet Yeovil boss Johnson denies Yeovil's proud Cup history will inspire his Third Division high-

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liers. He said: "My players will have got to know about our cup exploits down the years but it will not matter to Michael Owen and the rest of Liverpool that we lost Sunderland in 1981.

"That will not upset Liverpool at all. My kick off there will not be one player out of the 11 on the field thinking about our cup reputation."

Johnson believes his side can put more pressure on Liverpool boss Gerard Houllier but insists his opposite number should not be ruffled even if there is an upset.

He said: "Everyone is looking at this game thinking Houllier's job

is on the line if we beat them - but I think it would be silly to kick him even if we do pull off an upset.

"They may not be reaching their usual standards at the moment but there is a massive gap between their level and ours. However, that gap gets closer because this is a cup game and a one-off."

"We believe we have a chance so it's better that they are not at their peak." *Full story - page 42*

