

Football Association Challenge Cup

THIRD ROUND - - - (REPLAY)

ASTON VILLA

v.

LUTON TOWN

at VILLA PARK, MONDAY, JANUARY 7th, 1957

KICK-OFF 2.0 p.m.

TEAMS

LUTON TOWN

STRETEN

DUNNE (2)	McNALLY (3)			
PEARCE (4)	KELLY (5)			
CULLEN (7)	McLEOD (9)	SHANKS (6)	MORTON (10)	DAVIES (11)

Referee :
Mr. A. Jobling
(Morecambe)



Linesmen :
Mr. F. R. Ward (Red Flag)
Mr. H. L. P. Holmes (Yellow Flag)

McPARLAND (11)	DIXON (10)	PACE (9)	SEWELL (8)	SMITH (7)
SAWARD (6)	DUGDALE (5)	CROWTHER (4)		
ALDIS (3)		LYNN (2)		

SIMS

ASTON VILLA

In the event of any alteration in the teams as printed, it will be given through loud speakers arranged around the ground.

OFFICIAL PROGRAMME

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Luton Town 2
(Turner (Pen.) Davies)

Aston Villa 2
(Dixon, McParland)

That, briefly, gives the result of last Saturday's Third Round F.A. Cup-tie at Luton, and consequently the two teams meet again at Villa Park today in their efforts to decide which of them shall proceed to the Fourth Round, the draw for which took place an hour or two ago, and we expect you all know the name of the opponents the winners of today's tie will have to meet on January 26th. So here's to a good game, and may the better side win.

POTTED HISTORY

Luton Town F.C. was founded in 1885 by the amalgamation of Luton Wanderers and Luton Excelsior.

Luton Town were pioneers of professional football in the South of England, by employing paid players as early as 1891.

Elected to The Football League, Division II in 1897. Failed to gain re-election in 1900. Re-entered Football League as members of Division III in 1920.

In 1935-36 were runners-up in Division III (South) and in the following season were the champions, thus gaining promotion to the Second Division.

Secured First Division status in 1954-55 in company with our neighbours, Birmingham City, to whom they were runners-up.

Their goalscorers last season were : Turner 19, Morton 10, McEwan 8, Adam 5, Cullen 5, Davies 5, Pearce 4, Cummins 2, Gregory 2, Groves 1, Opponents (o.g.) 5.

Ground : Kenilworth Road, Luton, which has record attendance of 28,433 (v. Arsenal in Sixth round, F.A. Cup, March 8, 1952).

In the 1936-37 season J. Payne, of Luton, set up a record for the Southern Section of the Third Division by scoring 55 goals in 39 games in one season. The same player set a new record on his debut as centre-forward for Luton on April 18, 1936, when, against Bristol Rovers, he scored 10 goals in a 12-0 win.

PEN PICTURES OF SOME OF TO-DAY'S VISITORS

B. STRETN (Goalkeeper). First signed for the club as an Amateur from Shrewsbury Town but turned professional when he was demobilised from the R.A.F. Played for the England Amateur team on several occasions and gained his first full professional cap against Ireland in 1950.

L. JONES (Right-back). Welshborn although he has spent most of his life in Luton. Has been watched by the Welsh F.A. Selectors on several occasions. A classical back who is very cool on the field.

T. AHERNE (Left-back). Born in Limerick, Eire. Joined Luton from Belfast Celtic in March, 1949. Has represented Eire and the Irish League on many occasions.

W. Shanks (Right-half). Born in Malta of Scottish parents. Came to Luton on a month's trial and is now in his tenth season with the club. Was signed as an outside-right but was successfully converted to a wing-half.

S. OWEN (Centre-half). Captain of the side. Previously with Birmingham City. Toured Australia with the F.A. in 1952, was a member of the Football League team which played in Copenhagen in May, 1953, and was in the England party in Switzerland for the World Cup games in 1954. He was a member of the F.A. Touring Team in the West Indies in 1955 and also toured with them in South Africa last summer.

M. CULLEN (Outside-right). Plays typical close Scottish football and very clever in possession of the ball. He was chosen for the Scottish 'B' team v. the England 'B' team this year. Also selected to play for Scotland v. Austria.

G. TURNER (Inside-right). Scored 37 goals in season 1954-55 thus breaking the club's individual scoring record since their promotion to the Second Division. Gained his first big honour by being chosen to play for the Football League at Sheffield in October, 1955.

R. MORTON (Inside-left). Local boy who signed professional forms in February, 1946. Usually a brilliant wing half. Was selected last season as reserve for England versus Ireland at Wembley. Was a member of the F.A. Touring Team in South Africa last summer.

A. GREGORY (Outside-left). A local boy who was previously with Vauxhall Motors. Signed professional forms for Luton in May, 1955. Has made several appearances in the first team at centre-forward. Is at present completing his apprenticeship with a local engineering firm.