

FOOTBALL LEAGUE — DIVISION 1

LUTON TOWN

v.

BLACKPOOL



Official Programme

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WEDNESDAY, 4th SEPTEMBER, 1957

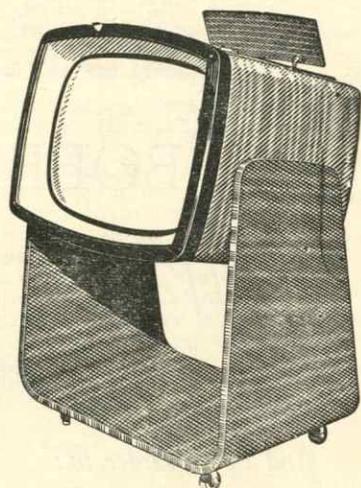
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H. E. M. LOCK6
Left Half
D. ORES10
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B. ATTENS11
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P. LYE

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CLUB NOTES

WE WELCOME to Kenilworth Road this evening the lads from Blackpool who can always be relied upon to give us a most entertaining ninety minutes football. Apart from Stanley Matthews (and we trust the other Blackpool players will forgive us if we refer to the "great Stanley" as one apart) three others of their forward line are International players, Jackie Mudie for Scotland and Ernie Taylor and Bill Perry for England, supported in the defence by goalkeeper George Farm who has also played for Scotland, and by Roy Gratrix who has played for England "B," and Jimmy Armfield for England under 23's. Tom Garrett has also played for England but he has been prevented from playing this season so far because of an injury received during training, but it may be that he has been found fit to play since these Notes were prepared on Monday last. Another player of outstanding quality in the side is Jimmy Kelly, no stranger to this part of the country for he was with Watford when transferred to Blackpool at quite a substantial fee. He has fitted well into the Blackpool side and is automatic choice for right half position when fit. Considering all this talent, therefore, it was a most splendid achievement on the part of our lads when they went to Bloomfield Road a week last Monday evening and won a splendidly-fought match by two goals to one. And there was no fluke about the result either. Our lads played by far the better football, were the more complete side, and fully deserved the victory. It will therefore be a Blackpool side we shall see tonight with something like revenge in their make-up, while our lads on the other hand will be ready to show the world that our victory over them was no fluke and at the same time to register our first double of the season. An interesting and exciting evening awaits us.

We came rather a cropper on our visit to Highbury last Saturday when we lost by two goals to nil, thus causing us to drop our first points of the new season. But with any luck at all we could easily have come away with a point, and two if the woodwork on three occasions had been just that inch or so the right way. Mid-field we were as good if not better than the Red shirts, but whereas the Arsenal found our net twice and we did not register at all we had to come away without reward. It was a match however which we should not have lost and can only blame ourselves for having done so. The "Gunnars" certainly had their revenge on us when we beat them at Highbury last March by three goals to one. And so it goes on.

Our Reserves also dropped their first points this season last Saturday when succumbing to Ipswich Reserves here by three goals to two. To have two players out of action such as George Cummins (who is progressing quite nicely although his nose is broken) and David Pacey (injured ankle) meant a re-shuffling of the forward line, and they were never good enough for a fast and skilful Ipswich team. The moving of Brendan McNally to centre forward position at half time certainly brought about an improvement in the attacking sense, but three goals in arrear proved too big a deficit to wipe out although there were some very near misses, one from young John Chambers towards the end just topping the cross

bar with the goalkeeper scrambling across his goal. After our very good win at Plymouth, and following our splendid victory over Crystal Palace the previous Wednesday with ten men for practically the whole of the match, this showing against Ipswich came as rather an anti-climax. We feel however it was just one of those days and that we shall be back to normal again for our return match with Crystal Palace this evening.

There has been much talk lately of a mid-week Floodlight Competition being formed bringing in teams from Scotland and Ireland which, if it had come to pass, would have we feel been a splendid innovation in that we would have been able to see teams in action we do not have the pleasure of watching. The Scottish Clubs however decided to defer participation in any such Competition for twelve months, and so there is little chance of seeing teams from these other two countries playing here on a League basis. The Southern Floodlight Challenge Cup Competition, which we won last season, is therefore being continued for at least another season. In the draw for the First Round we have been drawn to play against Southampton at The Dell, which means that the most Northerly Club has to play the most Southerly Club (Portsmouth excepted). Owing to the fact that each Club taking part must play its recognised First Team the Management Committee of the Competition have wisely left the Clubs to arrange the dates of their matches between themselves, except that the First Round must be played on or before 4th November. We have not yet contacted Southampton on the important matter of date, but as our opponents are involved in League mid-week matches until 9th October it will certainly be some time after then when we play them.

Football Association Diaries at 3/6 each are now available, either by direct application to 22, Lancaster Gate, London, W.2, or to ourselves. They are very handy for the football fan, giving important dates throughout the football season including all Football League fixtures, useful addresses, etc.

We have opened this season a new Refreshment Bar behind the Oak Road goal where refreshments of all descriptions can be obtained. Also in use tonight for the first time, although not yet completely finished, is a Ladies' Toilet at the Kenilworth Road end of the Main Stand.

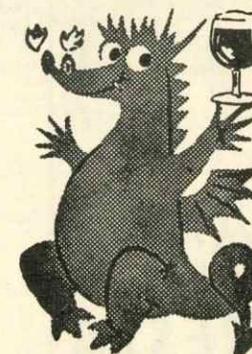
We are again informed that transport facilities to Kenilworth Road on match days leave much to be desired. If any of you here this evening have found difficulty in getting here, or you have friends who would have been here if transport had been adequate, please write in to us giving us details and we will do our best to have the position improved. It is galling to us when going to other Grounds to see the rows of buses and trams that have been specially laid on for that particular match, and yet when we applied for improvement last season we were told that the powers that be were satisfied that the present facilities were adequate. If therefore any of you have cause for complaint, write to the Secretary, who will take the matter up to see if any improvement is possible. But without letters stating the difficulties very little can be done. It is therefore up to you.

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4 **Groves**
Right Half
7 **Cullen**
Outside Right
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Inside Right

Referee:

Mr. J. G. Williams
(Nottingham)

11 **Perry**
Outside Left
10 **Peterson**
Inside Left
6 **Kelly, J.**
Left Half

3 **Wright**
Left Back

BLACKPOOL

Shirts Tangerine
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Baynham

Goal

5 **Owen**
Centre Half

9 **Morton**
Centre

9 **Channley**
Centre

5 **Gratrix**
Centre Half

Farm

Goal

Football League — Div. 1

3 **Jones**
Left Back

6 **Pearce**
Left Half

10 **Brown**
Inside Left

11 **Adam**
Outside Left

Linesmen:

Red Flag:

Mr. R. H. V. Harding
(London)

Orange Flag:

Mr. B. Hills (Orpington)

8 **Taylor**
Inside Right

7 **Matthews**
Outside Right

4 **Fenton**
Right Half

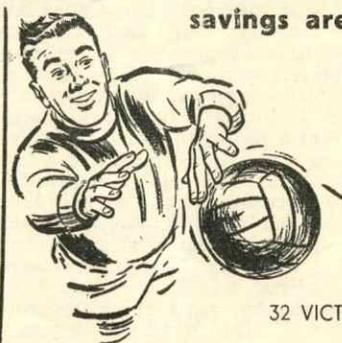
2 **Armfield**
Right Back

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FIRST LIST

- A
- B
- C
- D
- E
- F
- G
- H
- K
- L
- M
- N

SECOND LIST

- A
- B
- C
- D
- E
- F
- G
- H
- K
- L
- M
- N

THIRD LIST

- A
- B
- C
- D
- E
- F
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Football Excursion

SATURDAY, 14th SEPT.

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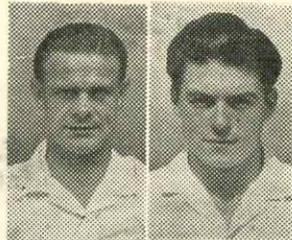
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DIVISION I and FOOTBALL COMBINATION FIXTURES :: 1957 - 1958

1957 FIRST XI - Division 1 Attendance 1956/57		1956/57		F A	
Aug. 24 Sat.	Bolton Wand. ...	17591	1 0	H	1 0
" 26 Mon.	Blackpool ...	21099	0 4	A	2 1
" 31 Sat.	Arsenal ...	50111	3 1	A	0 2
Sept. 4 Wed.	Blackpool ...	...	0 2	H	2-0
" 7 Sat.	Wolves ...	...	1 0	H	
" 11 Wed.	Leeds United ...	...	2 1	A	
" 14 Sat.	Aston Villa ...	...	3 1	A	
" 18 Wed.	Leeds United ...	...	2 2	H	
" 21 Sat.	Everton ...	...	2 0	H	
" 28 "	Sunderland ...	...	0 1	A	
Oct. 5 "	Burnley ...	...	0 2	H	
" 12 "	Preston North End ...	...	0 2	A	
" 19 "	Sheffield Wed. ...	...	2 0	H	
" 26 "	Manchester City ...	...	2 3	A	
Nov. 2 "	Birmingham C. ...	...	0 0	H	
" 9 "	Chelsea ...	...	1 4	A	
" 16 "	Newcastle U. (1) ...	...	4 1	H	
" 23 "	Tottenham H. ...	...	0 5	A	
" 30 "	Notts. Forest ...	...	...	H	
Dec. 7 "	Portsmouth (2) ...	...	2 2	A	
" 14 "	West Brom. ...	...	0 1	H	
" 21 "	Bolton Wanderers ...	...	2 2	A	
" 25 Wed.	Manchester United ...	...	1 3	H	
" 26 Thurs.	Manchester Utd. ...	...	0 2	H	
" 28 Sat.	Arsenal ...	...	1 2	H	
1958					
Jan. 4 Sat.	F.A. Cup - 3 ...	...	...
" 11 "	Wolves ...	...	4 5	A	
" 18 "	Aston Villa ...	...	0 0	H	
" 25 "	F.A. Cup - 4 ...	...	...
Feb. 1 "	Everton ...	...	1 2	A	
" 8 "	Sunderland ...	...	6 2	H	
" 15 "	Burnley (5) ...	...	1 1	A	
" 22 "	Preston N. E. ...	...	1 1	H	
March 1 "	Sheffield Wed. (6) ...	...	0 3	A	
" 8 "	Manchester City ...	...	3 2	H	
" 15 "	Birmingham City ...	...	0 3	A	
" 22 "	Tottenham H. ...	...	1 3	H	
" 29 "	Newcastle United ...	...	2 2	A	
April 5 "	Chelsea ...	...	0 4	H	
" 7 Mon.	Leicester City ...	...	...	H	
" 8 Tues.	Leicester City ...	...	...	A	
" 12 Sat.	Notts. Forest ...	...	...	A	
" 19 "	Portsmouth ...	...	1 0	H	
" 26 "	West Bromwich A. ...	...	0 4	A	

1957 Reserve XI Fixtures Attendance 1956/57		1956/57		F A	
Aug. 24 Sat.	Plymouth Argyle ...	...	0 2	A	0 1
" 28 Wed.	Crystal Palace ...	1411	8 1	H	4 0
" 31 Sat.	Ipswich Town ...	1869	3 3	H	2 3
Sept. 4 Wed.	Crystal Palace ...	...	2 0	A	
" 7 Sat.	Southampton ...	...	...	A	
" 11 Wed.	Southend Utd. ...	...	2 2	H	
" 14 Sat.	Swansea Town ...	...	...	A	
" 18 Wed.	Southend United ...	...	0 2	A	
" 21 Sat.	...	...	...
" 25 Wed.	Aldershot ...	...	...	A	
" 28 Sat.	Bristol Rovers ...	...	...	H	
Oct. 5 Sat.	Arsenal ...	...	2 3	A	
" 12 "	Norwich City ...	...	1 3	H	
" 19 "	Charlton Athletic ...	...	...	A	
" 26 "	Birmingham C. ...	...	4 2	H	
Nov. 2 "	Coventry City ...	...	0 4	A	
" 9 "	Northampton T. ...	...	...	H	
" 16 "	Tottenham H. ...	...	2 3	A	
" 23 "	Chelsea ...	...	1 0	H	
" 30 "	Bournemouth & B. ...	...	3 4	A	
Dec. 7 "	Brentford ...	...	3 0	H	
" 14 "	Portsmouth ...	...	3 5	A	
" 21 "	Plymouth A. ...	...	5 2	H	
" 25 Wed.	...	...	...
" 26 Thurs.	...	...	...
" 28 Sat.	Ipswich Town ...	...	1 1	A	
1958					
Jan. 4 Sat.	Fulham ...	...	...	H	
" 11 "	Southampton ...	...	...	H	
" 18 "	Swansea Town ...	...	...	A	
" 25 "	Queens Park R. ...	...	5 0	H	
Feb. 1 "	Leicester City ...	...	1 2	A	
" 8 "	Bristol Rovers ...	...	...	A	
" 15 "	Arsenal ...	...	5 1	H	
" 22 "	Norwich City ...	...	1 3	A	
March 1 "	Charlton Ath. ...	...	...	H	
" 8 "	Birmingham City ...	...	0 2	A	
" 15 "	Coventry City ...	...	3 1	H	
" 22 "	Northampton T. ...	...	...	A	
" 29 "	Tottenham H. ...	...	4 1	H	
April 4 Fri.	West Ham Utd. ...	...	0 2	H	
" 5 Sat.	Chelsea ...	...	2 4	A	
" 7 Mon.	West Ham United ...	...	...	A	
" 12 Sat.	Bournemouth ...	...	5 0	H	
" 19 "	Brentford ...	...	2 1	A	
" 26 "	Portsmouth ...	...	5 1	H	

League Table, 1957 - 58

DIVISION 1

Up to and including Saturday, 31st August, 1957

	P.	W.	D.	L.	F.	A.	P.
Manchester United	3	3	0	0	10	1	6
Arsenal	3	2	1	0	5	2	5
Notts. Forest	3	2	1	0	5	3	5
Wolverhampton W.	3	2	0	1	11	2	4
Burnley	3	1	2	0	4	2	4
West Brom. Albion	3	1	2	0	6	5	4
LUTON TOWN	3	2	0	1	3	3	4
Everton	3	2	0	1	2	3	4
Chelsea	3	1	1	1	8	5	3
Portsmouth	3	1	1	1	5	5	3
Birmingham C.	3	1	1	1	5	7	3
Newcastle Utd.	2	1	0	1	4	3	2
Preston North End	3	1	0	2	5	4	2
Leicester City	3	1	0	2	5	6	2
BLACKPOOL	3	1	0	2	4	5	2
Aston Villa	3	1	0	2	3	4	2
Manchester City	2	1	0	1	4	6	2
Bolton W.	3	1	0	2	4	7	2
Leeds United	3	1	0	2	2	6	2
Tottenham H.	3	0	1	2	3	9	1
Sheffield Wed.	1	0	0	1	1	2	0
Sunderland	3	0	0	3	1	10	0

NEXT MATCHES

Saturday, 7th September, 1957

FOOTBALL LEAGUE - DIVISION 1

Luton T. v. Wolverhampton W.

Kick-off 3 p.m.

Prices of Admission: Centre Stand 7/-
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Bobbars Stand 3/- Boys 1/3 Terraces 2/- Boys 1/-

Monday, 9th September

METROPOLITAN & DISTRICT LEAGUE

Luton Town 'A' v. Headington

Kick-off 6 p.m.

Reserve Team Prices of Admission

Wednesday, 11th September

FOOTBALL COMBINATION

Luton T. Res. v. Southend Res.

Kick-off 6 p.m.

Prices of Admission:
Wing Stand and Enclosure 1/6 Boys 1/-
Bobbars Stand 1/3 Boys 10d. Terraces 1/- Boys 9d.

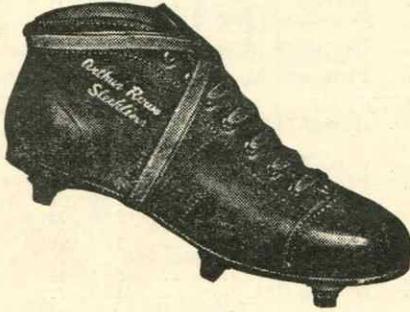
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