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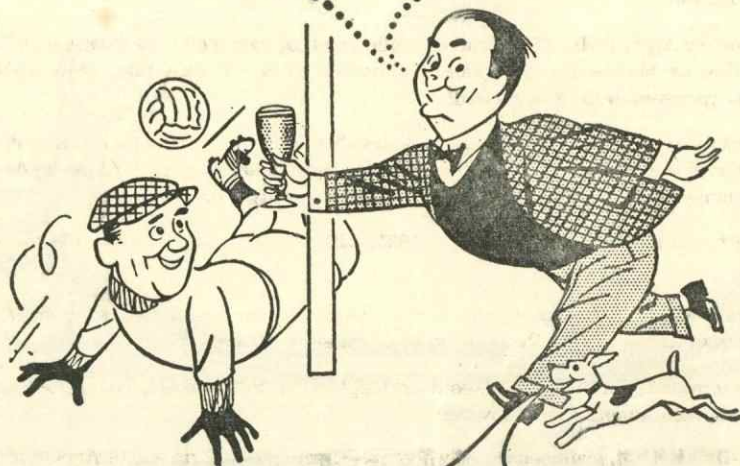
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OUR VISITORS

The last visitors to The Hawthorns for Season 1957-8 are Luton Town—and none the less welcome for all that the season is on its last legs, for Luton Town are a football-playing side versed in the arts of the game by their mentor and manager, ex-England star winger, Mr. Dally Duncan.

His First Division side—enjoying their first run in the top section which they have graced this past two seasons—are a far cry from the early efforts to establish football in Bedfordshire.

It was on April 11th, 1885, that a public meeting was held. A meeting in Luton Town Hall to discuss the formation of a football club. It was taken very seriously, and the proposal was duly passed.

It was also decided that the club colours should be navy blue and pink, and that a shirt and cap should be worn by each member when playing. There have been some changes here, fortunately, but at least they still all wear a shirt.

They became a professional side by 1891, with a top wage of 5/- plus 6d. for away games.

From 1897 to 1900 Luton played in Division II, but found the going too tough, and retired to rejoin the League on the formation of the Third Division.

Like ourselves, Luton Town have been plagued by injury lately, but should choose their side from among the following:

Ron BAYNHAM, goalkeeper. Six footer—Birmingham born and former Worcester City player. English International during 1955-6.

Seamus DUNNE, right back, born at Wicklow. Joined Luton from Shelbourne, after playing for Drogheda. Eire International.

Ken HAWKES, left back. A County Durham-born player who was secured from Shotton Colliery Welfare.

Terry KELLY, wing half. Really the reserve centre half pressed into service on the flanks. A Luton lad from Vauxhall Motors.

Sid OWEN, centre half, formerly with Birmingham City. He was born in Birmingham and was chosen three times for England in 1954.

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OUR VISITORS—continued

Alwyn McGUFFIE, wing half. A Scot from Glasgow, he joined Luton as an amateur. Recently on the "injured list".

David PACEY, wing half. A Luton-born player who joined them from Hitchin Town. Takes a fitness test to determine whether he can tour in Germany.

Wally SHANKS, half-back under usual conditions, but equal to the outside right position. Born at Malta and formerly with Chelsea. Scottish parentage.

Mike CULLEN, outside right. Glasgow born and joined Luton Town as an amateur. Has not been missed by the Scottish selectors.

Gordon TURNER, inside right. Born at Doncaster. Signed as an amateur from a Hull junior side. His father was a former Hull City professional. Football League honours.

George CUMMINS, inside forward. Irish International, born at Dublin. Played for Everton before joining Luton.

Allan BROWN, inside forward. Born at Fife, played for East Fife and Blackpool. Has seen most of his highest honours withheld through injury, but is a Scottish International first choice.

George McLEOD, centre forward. Born at Inverness and played for Inverness Clachnacuddin. No wonder he signed for Luton Town in 1955. Has recently received an ankle injury.

John GROVES, inside forward. Born at Langwith in Derbyshire. John's father was a player alongside Mr. Duncan. He signed for Luton straight from school, and became a 'pro' in 1950.

Brian WHITBY, outside left. Young part timer who works at the Vauxhall plant. Born at Luton, he played for the works team.

Luton Town's Division I record this season:

	P.	W.	L.	D.	for	agst	Pts	Goals
Home	21	13	5	3	45	22	29	
Away	20	6	11	3	22	37	15	
	41	19	16	6	67	59	44	

Position: 7th

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Albion's Division I record with Luton Town:

	P.	W.	L.	D.	for	agst	Pts	Goals
Home	2	2	0	0	7	1		
Away	3	2	1	0	4	5		
	5	4	1	0	11	6		

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CLUB NOTES

Our supporters who have responded to our experimental probe on the possibility of Ground Season Tickets should keep a weather eye open for a further announcement in the near future. We thank all those who have taken the trouble to assist this time.

The news of the commencement of the new corner stand at the Birmingham Road end has brought us more applications for seat season tickets. We have a very very long waiting list for these, and cannot reply to the applicants for the time being until the situation becomes clearer. If you have written, please be patient—we will write you as soon as possible.

A strange looking side travelled up to Blackpool last week—only Ronnie Allen was left of our all-conquering forward line of earlier in the season. Frank Griffin, injured—was replaced by Brian Whitehouse; Bobby Robson, England reserve, by Eric Robinson; Derek Kevan, on England duty, by David Burnside, and Roy Horobin—ankle injury, by George Lee.

Eric Robinson had his first taste of Division I soccer. He is one of five Altrincham players to join us in recent years—last but one in actuality. He was born at Manchester and joined us just over a year ago. He made a good impression and was unfortunate to be on the losing side.

David Burnside also showed his improvement. He has played once this season—at Leeds—but looked better in this game.

Joe Kennedy reported fit to ease the defensive tension, but late in the week Charles Drury ("Chuck") cancelled him out by going down with a poisoned toe.

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WEST BROMWICH ALBION

Navy Blue and White Striped Shirts, White Shorts

Right

JACKMAN

Left

HOWE /
(2)

WILLIAMS, S. G.
(3)

DUDLEY
(4)

~~BARLOW~~
KENNEDY
(5)

~~SETTERS~~
BARLOW
(6)

ROBSON /
(8)

KEVAN
(10)

WHITEHOUSE
(7)

ALLEN / pen
(9)

LEE, G.
(11)

Referee:

Mr. B. A. E. BUCKLE,
Peterborough

Linesmen: Messrs.

D. H. COUNSELL, Bristol
(red flag)

J. L. DAVIES, Edwinstowe
(yellow flag)

Kick-off 3.0 p.m.

WHITBY
SHANKS
(11)

GREGORY
CULLEN
(9)

CULLEN
WHITBY
(7)

CUMMINS / pen
(10)

TURNER
(8)

McGUFFIE
(6)

KELLY
(5)

GROVES
(4)

HAWKES
(3)

DUNNE
(2)

Left

BAYNHAM

Right

LUTON TOWN

White Shirts, Black Shorts

SCORE BOARD

THE SCORE OF THE HOME TEAM, WHOSE NAME IS GIVEN FIRST, IS TOP ON THE BOARD

A BIRMINGHAM CITY v. LEICESTER CITY	2	0
B BURNLEY v. BOLTON WANDERERS	1	1
C CHELSEA v. MANCHESTER UNITED	1	1
D MANCHESTER CITY v. ASTON VILLA	0	1
E NEWCASTLE UNITED v. LEEDS UNITED	2	3
F NOTTINGHAM FOREST v. EVERTON	1	1
G PORTSMOUTH v. SUNDERLAND	0	1
H PRESTON NORTH END v. ARSENAL	1	0
J SHEFFIELD WEDNESDAY v. WOLVERHAMPTON WANDERERS	0	1
K TOTTENHAM HOTSPUR v. BLACKPOOL	1	1
L CARDIFF CITY v. FULHAM	2	1
M CHARLTON ATHLETIC v. BLACKBURN ROVERS	2	0
N DONCASTER ROVERS v. IPSWICH TOWN	0	3
P HUDDERSFIELD TOWN v. LINCOLN CITY	2	2
S LEYTON ORIENT v. SHEFFIELD UNITED	1	1
T LIVERPOOL v. BARNSELY	2	0
V MIDDLESBROUGH v. WEST HAM UNITED	1	2
W COVENTRY CITY v. GILLINGHAM	0	1
X WALSALL v. MILLWALL	2	2
Y WOLVERHAMPTON WANDERERS RESERVES v. ALBION RESERVES	0	2

FOOTBALL LEAGUE, Division I

League table to Monday, April 21st inclusive

	P.	W.	L.	D.	for	agst	Pts
Wolverhampton Wan.	41	28	5	8	102	45	64
Preston North End	41	25	9	7	97	51	57
Tottenham Hotspur	41	20	12	9	91	76	49
Manchester City	41	22	14	5	103	98	49
ALBION	41	17	10	14	88	68	48
Blackpool	40	19	15	6	79	64	44
Luton Town	41	19	16	6	67	59	44
Burnley	40	19	16	5	74	72	43
Manchester United	40	16	14	10	83	72	42
Nottingham Forest	40	16	15	9	68	59	41
Chelsea	41	14	15	12	81	78	40
Birmingham City	41	14	16	11	76	88	39
Arsenal	41	16	18	7	73	82	39
Bolton Wanderers	41	14	17	10	64	84	38
Aston Villa	40	15	19	6	70	84	36
Leeds United	41	13	19	9	49	62	35
Everton	40	11	18	11	61	75	33
Portsmouth	41	12	21	8	73	86	32
Newcastle United	39	12	20	7	70	75	31
Leicester City	41	13	23	5	90	112	31
Sunderland	41	9	20	12	52	97	30
Sheffield Wednesday	41	11	23	7	67	91	29

CENTRAL LEAGUE

League table to Saturday, April 19th inclusive

	P.	W.	L.	D.	for	agst	Pts
Wolverhampton Wan.	41	27	7	7	111	65	61
Everton	40	22	10	8	87	53	52
Manchester United	40	22	11	7	115	77	51
Huddersfield Town	41	20	12	9	85	59	49
Liverpool	39	21	14	4	86	60	46
Sheffield Wednesday	40	18	13	9	78	56	45
Bury	41	18	14	9	78	73	45
Barnsley	40	19	14	7	79	76	45
Manchester City	41	18	19	4	97	84	40
Blackpool	41	14	15	12	56	59	40
Stoke City	40	15	16	9	63	70	39
Sheffield United	40	15	17	8	78	77	38
ALBION	41	14	17	10	71	79	38
Newcastle United	41	18	22	1	70	88	37
Aston Villa	41	16	20	5	63	90	37
Burnley	41	14	20	7	54	77	35
Chesterfield	40	12	19	9	60	75	33
Derby County	39	14	20	5	58	81	33
Bolton Wanderers	39	12	19	8	61	74	32
Leeds United	42	14	24	4	70	95	32
Preston North End	40	13	22	5	62	76	31
Blackburn Rovers	40	12	23	5	58	96	29

PLAYERS' APPEARANCES and GOAL SCORERS, Season 1957-58

	Appearances	Goals
	League	Cup
Allen, R.	38	6
Barlow, R. J.	39	7
Brown, F.	4	—
Burnside, D.	2	—
Campbell, J.	5	—
Drury, C.	7	—
Dudley, J.	18	4
Griffin, F.	29	5
Horobin, R.	32	7
Howe, D.	38	7
Jackman, C.	8	—
Jackson, A.	2	—
Kennedy, J.	34	7
Kevan, D.	37	7
Lee, G.	7	—
Millard, L.	1	—
Robinson, E. M.	1	—
Robson, R. W.	40	7
Sanders, J. A.	29	7
Setters, M.	26	3
Whitehouse, B.	13	3
Williams, G. E.	3	—
Williams, S. G.	38	7
Opponent	—	—



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CLUB NOTES—continued

Donald Howe's absence in the land of the "Haggis" playing for his country was covered by moving Stuart Williams into right back, where he plays for Wales, and retaining the younger Welsh Williams, Graham, at left back.

Graham's third game this it was, and against Stanley Matthews too he was. It says much for Graham's future that Stanley had a quiet day.

With so many players absent the Reserves struggled to hold a goalless draw against Bolton. Young Derek Finch earned himself some praise from the fans for his play at full back.

The arrangements for the match at Bilbao on May 1st are almost complete. The party will leave on Monday, April 28th, and return the following week-end.

Biggest headache so far is who of our players will be allowed to take the trip. England World Cup XI play England under-23 on Friday, May 2nd. By the time this is in print the crystal ball will have cleared.

Next week is the Cup Finals week at The Hawthorns, with a local final every night of the week. There is always a lot of interest and excitement built up at these games. Why not drop in and see one or two. A complete list will be found on Page Eleven.

So ends another season. We thank all those who have supported us. When we have pleased you we have been amply satisfied by your pleasure. When we have displeased you—we are sorry. We have soared to the heights and plumbed the valley of despair. We look forward to 1958-9 with high hopes—perhaps this time we may go one better. Enjoy your holidays.

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FOOTBALL LEAGUE (Division I)

Date	Opponents	Gr'nd	Result
1957			
Aug. 24	Newcastle United ..	home	2 1
" 27	Arsenal ..	away	2 2
" 31	Burnley ..	home	1 2
Sept. 4	Arsenal ..	home	4 1
" 7	Preston North End ..	home	4 1
" 11	Chelsea ..	away	2 2
" 14	Sheffield Wednesday ..	away	2 1
" 18	Chelsea ..	home	1 1
" 21	Manchester City ..	home	9 2
" 28	Nottingham Forest ..	away	2 0
Oct. 1	Birmingham City ..	home	0 0
" 5	Portsmouth ..	home	3 1
" 12	Bolton Wanderers ..	home	2 2
" 19	Leed United ..	away	1 1
" 26	Manchester United ..	home	4 3
" 29	C.D.S.A. (Friendly) ..	home	6 5
Nov. 2	Everton ..	away	1 1
" 9	Aston Villa ..	home	3 2
" 16	Wolverhampton Wanderers ..	away	1 1
" 23	Sunderland ..	home	3 0
" 30	Leicester City ..	away	3 3
Dec. 7	Blackpool ..	home	1 1
" 14	Luton Town ..	away	1 5
" 21	Newcastle United ..	away	0 3
" 28	Birmingham City ..	away	5 3
" 28	Burnley ..	home	5 1
1958			
Jan. 4	Manchester City F.A. Cup 3rd Rd. ..	home	5 1
" 11	Preston North End ..	away	1 3
" 18	Sheffield Wednesday ..	home	3 1
" 25	Nottingham Forest F.A. Cup 4th Rd. ..	home	3 3
" 29	Nottingham Forest 4th Rd. Replay ..	away	5 1
Feb. 1	Manchester City ..	away	1 4
" 8	Nottingham Forest ..	home	3 2
" 15	Sheffield United F.A. Cup 5th Rd. ..	away	1 1
" 19	Sheffield United 5th Rd. Replay ..	home	4 1
" 22	Bolton Wanderers ..	away	2 2
March 1	Manchester United F.A. Cup 6th Rd. ..	home	2 2
" 5	Manchester United 6th Rd. Replay ..	away	0 1
" 8	Manchester United ..	away	4 0
" 12	Leeds United ..	home	1 0
" 19	Everton ..	home	4 0
" 19	Portsmouth ..	away	2 2
" 22	Sunderland ..	away	0 2
" 29	Wolverhampton Wanderers ..	home	0 3
April 4	Tottenham Hotspur ..	away	0 0
" 5	Aston Villa ..	away	1 2
" 7	Tottenham Hotspur ..	home	0 2
" 12	Leicester City ..	home	6 2
" 19	Blackpool ..	away	0 2
" 26	Luton Town ..	home	

CENTRAL LEAGUE

Date	Opponents	Gr'nd	Result
1957			
Aug. 24	Liverpool ..	away	0 4
" 28	Bury ..	home	0 2
" 31	Newcastle United ..	home	2 4
Sept. 7	Preston North End ..	away	0 2
" 11	Stoke City ..	home	2 2
" 14	Burnley ..	home	6 1
" 16	Stoke City ..	away	2 3
" 21	Sheffield Wednesday ..	away	3 7
" 28	Aston Villa ..	home	3 0
" 28	Manchester City ..	home	1 0
Oct. 5	Huddersfield Town ..	away	2 2
" 12	Derby County ..	away	3 1
" 19	Everton ..	home	0 1
" 26	Barnsley ..	away	1 3
Nov. 2	Sheffield United ..	home	2 1
" 9	Blackpool ..	away	2 2
" 16	Blackburn Rovers ..	home	0 1
" 23	Manchester United ..	away	1 5
" 30	Leeds United ..	home	1 0
Dec. 7	Bolton Wanderers ..	away	1 6
" 14	Wolverhampton Wanderers ..	home	0 1
" 21	Liverpool ..	home	4 2
" 28	Chesterfield ..	away	3 0
" 26	Chesterfield ..	home	3 1
" 28	Newcastle United ..	away	3 0
1958			
Jan. 4	Bury ..	away	2 1
" 11	Preston North End ..	home	2 2
" 18	Burnley ..	away	1 1
Feb. 1	Sheffield Wednesday ..	home	0 0
" 8	Manchester City ..	away	2 2
" 15	Huddersfield Town ..	home	3 1
" 22	Derby County ..	home	1 2
March 1	Everton ..	away	1 2
" 8	Barnsley ..	home	1 2
" 16	Sheffield United ..	away	4 4
" 22	Blackpool ..	home	0 1
" 29	Blackburn Rovers ..	away	4 2
April 5	Manchester United ..	home	3 0
" 7	Aston Villa ..	away	0 4
" 12	Leeds United ..	away	2 5
" 19	Bolton Wanderers ..	home	0 0
" 26	Wolverhampton Wanderers ..	away	

LAST WEEK'S MATCHES

FOOTBALL LEAGUE, Division I

ALBION 0, BLACKPOOL 2

At Blackpool on Saturday, 19th April, 1958.

Scorers—Blackpool—Charnley (2).

Teams:—

Albion—Jackman; Williams, S. G., Williams, G. E.; Dudley, Kennedy, Barlow; Whitehouse, Robinson, Allen, Burnside, Lee, G.

Blackpool—Farm; Martin, Wright; Kelly, J., Gratrix, Kelly, H.; Matthews, Peterson, Charnley, Durie, Perry.

Referee: Mr. N. Hough, Macclesfield

CENTRAL LEAGUE

ALBION RESERVES 0, BOLTON WANDERERS RESERVES 0

At The Hawthorns on Saturday, 19th April, 1958.

Albion team—Brown; Whale, Finch; Setters, Hughes, Styles; Forrester, Dunsmore, Jones, A., Horne, Lee, M.

WARWICKSHIRE COMBINATION

ALBION "B" 0, RUGBY TOWN 2

At Rugby on Wednesday, 16th April, 1958.

Albion team—Woodward; Ravenscroft, Millard; Bunch, Cram, McCartney; Richardson, K. Jones, Robinson, Smith, K., Vickers.

ALBION "B" 3, BANBURY SPENCER 3

At Banbury on Tuesday, 22nd April, 1958.

Albion scorers—Lee, M., McCartney, Forrester.

Albion team—Woodward; Whale, Ravenscroft; Bunch, Cram, McCartney; Vickers, Dunsmore, Lee, M., Smith, K., Forrester.

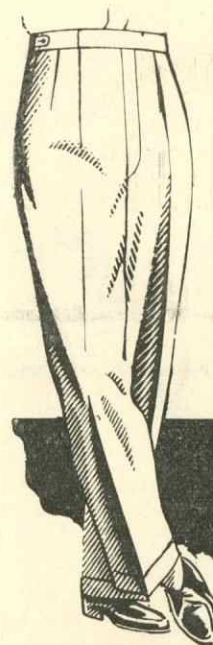
MIDLAND MID-WEEK LEAGUE

ALBION 0, ASTON VILLA 3

At The Hawthorns on Wednesday, 16th April, 1958.

Albion team—B. Skinner; Whale, Finch; J. Bannister, Wood, Styles; Forrester, Jones, A., P. Garbett, Dunsmore, Lee, M.

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