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LUTON TOWN

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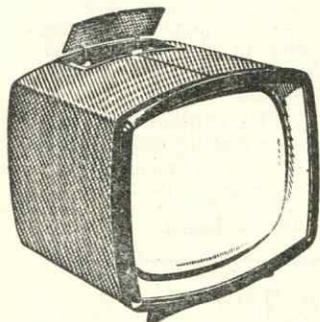


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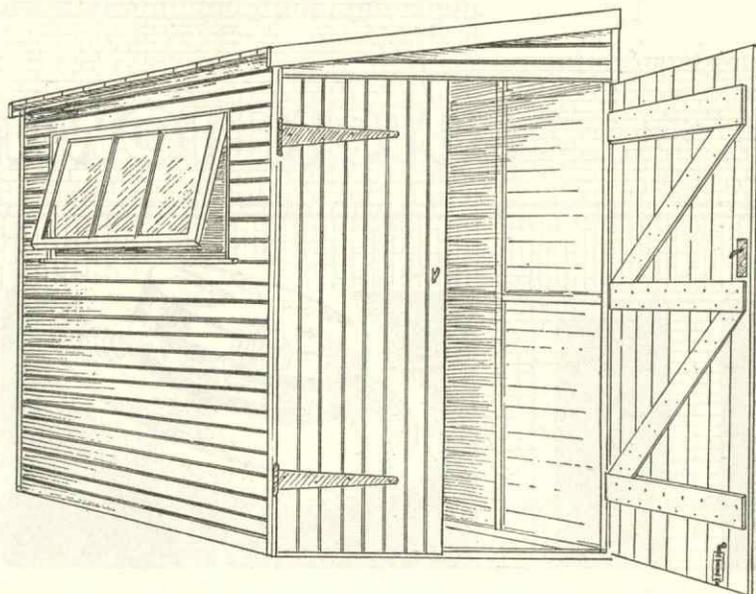
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CLUB NOTES

TRIUMPHANT we move forward! With our latest victims Ipswich Town left by the wayside that vision of the F.A. Cup and luscious green Wembley turf looms larger on the horizon. Our nap hand last Saturday, was a grand effort and certainly made the trip for all you Luton fans well worthwhile. The start was fantastic! Conditions were ideal and the 1-1 score within the first minute left the Ipswich, and Luton fans alike, gasping for breath. To many in the crowd it seemed a goal had been scored by each side before the official starting time had in fact arrived! That may have been so or perhaps our hearts and watches had all missed a few beats in the excitement!

Credit must be given to Ipswich for the splendid way in which they opened the game. The cross from the right wing was well placed and the ball was in the back of the net before the sound of the referee's whistle for the kick-off had hardly faded away. In turn the cracking free-kick with which Dave Pacey made the score 1-1 was equally surprising and it was not until the ball was in the back of the net for goal number four after seventeen minutes that Luton fans really caught the scent of victory.

Our best forward, Billy Bingham, inspired by his brilliant header for the third goal, was always dangerous, even during the tough struggle in the second half and his full back opponent was continually being beaten by this master wingman's clever tricks. On the other wing Tony Gregory was shadowed by an extremely efficient full-back although he did manage to lose him to ram home the fourth goal. Of the other forwards Cummins and Brown schemed and passed with uncanny precision and Bob Morton showed his adaptability to the centre-forward position by notching two more splendid goals.

Our defence was rather overworked in the face of the never-say-die Ipswich second half attacks but it always appeared that our lads were playing well within themselves and it would not do to single out anyone for more praise than is due to them all.

It is with an air of complete confidence of gaining two valuable league points that today we welcome Leicester City back to Kenilworth Road for the second time this season.

The confidence founded on the 4-1 defeat we inflicted on the City in our 4th Round replay and our more recent scoring feats should see us safely along the path to another league victory and a morale booster ready for Blackpool.

Our forwards have, as the results show, found the punch and goal scoring thrust which indicates that the not too solid Leicester defence will be overworked this afternoon. There is a great psychological advantage in having beaten them here once already and so we must start firm favourites for gaining two more valuable points.

Thrusting aside all thought of our clashes in the Cup there is a definite League disappointment suffered earlier in the Season at Leicester for which we would most certainly like to gain revenge. The League match at Filbert Street was our 11th game of the season and up to that point we were undefeated. At Leicester we came unstuck. Unfortunately an injury early in the game to goalkeeper Ron Baynham upset us and we lost 3-1. Our lads will be going all out this afternoon to avenge this.

The number of times the ball has hit the back of our opponents' net lately has exceeded a total which even the most ardent fan would have forecast earlier in the season. Our Cup average is now 15-5 in our favour from four matches. Interspersed with these matches is the 6-2 trouncing of Burnley and a 4-0 victory over Southampton.

Another Cup, of less national importance, is also now in our sights. Last Wednesday evening, our team with a shuffled defence beat Southampton 4-0 after a goalless first half. We saw Dunne return at right back and McNally in the unusual position of left half. With 'skipper' Owen resting and Kelly the victim of a 'flu germ, Dave Pacey filled the centre half position. The forward line re-introduced Gordon Turner to replace the injured Bingham. The first half was rather an anti-climax after Ipswich but goals from Morton (2), Gregory from a penalty and Cummins gave us a place in the semi-final of the Southern Floodlight Cup. We do not yet know our opponents as the draw has not yet been made.

With the humbling of Arsenal and Spurs we are now left to uphold the honour of Southern England along the Wembley trail. But if the same enthusiasm is shown under the shadow of the Blackpool Tower as was shown at Portman Road a place in the semi-final and a new Club record can be ours—despite Stanley Matthews! We shall certainly be out to better that 3-0 League defeat early last December.

Unfortunately it is about 200 miles to Blackpool but arrangements have been made by local agents for travel by road, rail and air to get all you keen Luton fans to Lancashire. Advertisements in the local press give all the details of these varied routes.

Success in the F.A. Challenge Cup brings its problems, the biggest one at present being the distribution of our allocation of the Blackpool tickets. Details of how to apply for these are shown opposite. Many and varied have been the suggestions how best to do this, the most popular being a ticket be given to every person buying a Programme at today's match. We wish it was as simple as that. We would be very pleased to do this, but the problem arises as to how best to make three thousand tickets satisfy say ten thousand Programme purchasers. Another suggestion is that the 2,306 spectators who saw the match here with Southampton last Wednesday night, be allocated a ticket—another suggestion in which we would be only too pleased to carry out if it was possible to do so for every one then present facing a cold foggy evening is undoubtedly a supporter of the staunchest value, but if we did that there would be no tickets for the Season Ticket Holders! Whatever scheme is adopted the Club must be in a position to honour it. If a Programme scheme was agreed upon for instance and our allocation of tickets from a Club was only about three hundred (as could be the case in the earlier stages of the Competition) what then. It is difficult enough now. It would be many times more difficult given those circumstances.

Not one of the letters printed in last week's "Luton News" made any contribution how best to solve the problem. One was to sell the tickets on a Sunday morning "which is the most convenient day for everybody." This is being done in an effort to meet most people's convenience, and we sincerely hope it is the answer, but it will not ensure that every regular supporter will be able to get a ticket which is the main bone of contention. It is surprising how many letters we have received stating that the writer has followed Luton Town since its Southern League days, cannot get a ticket for the Cup ties, and yet people who probably have never seen a match this season manage to get one. We are very sorry that such is the case but it is just impossible to ensure that every regular supporter can obtain a ticket. We only wish it could be done.

To those fans able to make the long trip to Blackpool we wish you all a safe journey and who knows, you may be able to buy a stick of Blackpool rock saying 'Luton for the Cup' all through it!

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2
3
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5
6
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6 **Keyworth** Left Half

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9 **Morton**
Centre



9 **Lornie** Centre
5 **King** Centre Half

MaClaren
Goal

Football League — Div. 1

3 **Hawkes, K.** Left Back

6 **Pacey** Left Half

10 **Cummins** Inside Left

11 **Gregory** Outside Left

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8 **Walsh** Inside Right

7 **Riley** Outside Right

4 **Newman** Right Half
2 **Cunningham** Right Back

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FIRST LIST

A	Birmingham	Everton
B	Blackburn R.	West Ham U.
C	Blackpool	Notts. Forest
D	Bolton Wan.	Preston N. E.
E	Chelsea	Burnley
F	Leeds United	Manchester C.
G	Manchester U.	Wolverh'pton
H	Newcastle U.	Aston Villa
K	Tottenham H.	Portsmouth
L	West Brom.	Arsenal
M	Brighton & H.	Rotherham U.
N	Bristol Rov.	Stoke City

SECOND LIST

A	Charlton Ath.	Bristol City
B	Derby County	Sunderland
C	Grimsby T.	Barnsley
D	Ipswich Town	Swansea T.
E	Leyton O.	Lincoln City
F	Liverpool	Huddersfield
G	Middlesbro'	Cardiff City
H	Scunthorpe U.	Fulham
K	Sheffield Utd.	Sheffield Wed.
L	Accrington	Wrexham
M	Chesterfield	Brentford
N	Doncaster R.	Southend Utd.

THIRD LIST

A	Halifax Town	Bradford City
B	Newport Co.	Hull City
C	Notts. County	Swindon T.
D	Plymouth A.	Norwich City
E	Q.P.R.	Mansfield T.
F	Reading	Southampton
G	Rochdale	Bury
H	Stockport Co.	Colchester U.
K	Tranmere R.	Bournemouth
L	Coventry City	Barrow
M	Port Vale	Chester
N	Arsenal Res.	Luton T. Res.

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1958	FIRST XI—Division 1	Attendance	1957/8	F	A
Aug. 23 Sat.	West Brom.	24425	5 1	H	1 1
" 26 Tues.	Leeds United	25498	2 0	A	1 1
" 30 Sat.	Birmingham City	32000	1 1	A	1 0
Sept. 3 Wed.	Leeds United	13497	1 1	H	1 1
" 6 Sat.	West Ham Utd.	25715	...	H	4 1
" 10 Wed.	Manchester City	30771	2 2	A	1 1
" 13 Sat.	Bolton Wand.	19699	1 0	H	0 1
" 17 Wed.	Manchester City	18160	1 2	H	5 1
" 20 Sat.	Burnley	23760	2 1	A	2 2
" 27 "	Preston N. End	23056	1 3	H	4 1
Oct. 4 "	Leicester City	32017	1 4	A	1 3
" 11 "	Nottingham Forest	30187	0 1	A	1 3
" 18 "	Chelsea	24864	0 2	H	2 1
" 25 "	Portsmouth	24831	0 5	A	2 2
Nov. 1 "	Aston Villa	18714	3 0	H	2 1
" 8 "	Newcastle United	53420	2 3	A	0 1
" 15 "	Tottenham H. (1)	23592	0 0	H	1 2
" 22 "	Manchester United	41195	0 3	A	1 2
" 29 "	Wolves	20648	3 1	H	0 1
Dec. 6 "	Blackpool (2)	14140	2 1	A	0 3
" 13 "	Blackburn Rov.	13475	...	H	1 1
" 26 Fri.	Arsenal	21870	4 0	H	6 3
" 27 Sat.	Arsenal	56501	0 2	A	0 1
1959					
Jan. 3 Sat.	Birmingham C.	18354	3 0	H	0 1
" 10 "	Leeds U.—Cup-3	36984	...	A	1 1
" 24 "	Leicester—Cup-4	27277	...	H	4 1
" 28 Wed.	Leicester (Replay)	27787	2 1	A	2 4
" 31 Sat.	Bolton Wanderers	15753	3 2	H	6 2
Feb. 7 "	Burnley	26700	2 1	H	5 2
" 14 "	Ipswich T.—Cup-5	...	...	A	...
" 21 "	Leicester City	...	...	A	...
" 28 "	Blackpool Cup-6	...	...	A	...
March 4 Wed.	Notts. Forest	...	3 1	H	...
" 7 Sat.	Chelsea	...	3 1	A	...
" 14 "	Portsmouth (S.F.)	...	2 1	H	...
" 21 "	Aston Villa	...	0 2	A	...
" 27 Fri.	Everton	...	0 1	H	...
" 28 Sat.	Newcastle U.	...	0 3	H	...
" 30 Mon.	Everton	...	2 0	A	...
April 4 Sat.	Tottenham H.	...	1 3	A	...
" 6 Mon.	Preston N. End	...	0 1	A	...
" 11 Sat.	Manchester Utd.	...	2 2	H	...
" 18 "	Wolves	...	1 1	A	...
" 20 Mon.	Blackburn Rov.	...	...	A	...
" 25 Sat.	Blackpool	...	2 0	H	...
To be arranged	West Brom. Albion	...	2 4	A	...
	West Ham United	A	...

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League Table 1958 - 59

DIVISION ONE

Up to and including Wednesday, 18th February

	P.	W.	D.	L.	F.	A.	Pts.
Wolverhampton W.	28	18	2	8	70	35	38
Arsenal	29	16	4	9	68	45	36
Manchester United	29	15	6	8	71	51	36
Bolton Wand.	27	13	7	7	50	41	33
West Bromwich	27	12	9	6	64	43	33
Blackpool	28	11	10	7	41	32	32
Preston North End	29	14	4	11	52	51	32
Nottingham Forest	27	14	3	10	53	37	31
West Ham United	28	14	3	11	60	51	31
Blackburn Rov.	28	11	7	10	54	50	29
Birmingham C.	27	12	4	11	48	48	28
Leeds United	29	10	7	12	39	52	27
Burnley	27	10	6	11	49	50	26
Chelsea	28	12	2	14	54	66	26
Everton	29	11	4	14	50	65	26
Newcastle Utd.	28	11	3	14	56	57	25
LUTON TOWN	26	8	8	10	45	40	24
Tottenham H.	28	8	5	15	51	68	21
LEICESTER CITY	27	7	7	13	45	64	21
Manchester City	28	7	7	14	43	66	21
Aston Villa	29	8	4	17	42	68	20
Portsmouth	28	6	6	16	44	69	18

1958	Reserve XI Fixtures	Attendance	F	A
Aug. 23 Sat.	Bristol Rovers	4445	...	A 5 4
" 28 Thurs.	Leyton Orient	1295	...	A 1 5
" 30 Sat.	Birmingham C.	2290	...	H 0 2
Sept. 6 "	West Ham United	2913	...	A 3 3
" 13 "			...	
" 20 "	Leicester City	2070	...	H 0 2
" 27 "	Fulham	1188	...	A 1 1
Oct. 4 "	Arsenal	1085	...	H 3 3
" 11 "	Cardiff City	1984	...	H 2 1
" 18 "	Portsmouth	3170	...	A 1 0
" 25 "	Bristol City	1945	...	H 1 3
Nov. 1 "	Charlton Athletic	1227	...	A 4 3
" 8 "	Tottenham H.	2792	...	H 2 0
" 15 "	Brighton & H. A.	4421	...	A 1 1
" 22 "	Chelsea	1738	...	H 2 1
" 29 "	Notts. Forest	1539	...	A 1 4
Dec. 6 "	Portsmouth	1399	...	H 4 1
" 13 "	Cardiff City	413	...	A 0 1
" 20 "	Bristol Rovers	1454	...	H 5 0
" 27 "	Ipswich Town	3752	...	A 1 5
1959				
Jan. 3 Sat.	Birmingham City	2282	...	A 3 2
" 24 "			...	
" 31 "	Leyton Orient	1920	...	H 3 1
Feb. 7 "	Leicester City	1639	...	A 1 4
" 14 "	Fulham	1010	...	H 3 0
" 21 "	Arsenal	...	...	A
" 28 "	Bristol City	...	...	A
March 7 "	Charlton Ath.	...	...	H
" 14 "	Tottenham H.	...	...	A
" 21 "	Brighton & H. A.	...	...	H
" 28 "	Chelsea	...	...	A
" 30 Mon.	Swansea Town	...	...	H
April 4 Sat.	Notts. Forest	...	...	H
" 18 "	Swansea Town	...	...	A
" 25 "			...	
To be arranged	Ipswich Town	...	...	H
	West Ham Utd.	...	...	H

NEXT MATCHES

Saturday, 28th February, 1959
F.A. COUNTY YOUTH CHAMPIONSHIP CUP
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