
Millwall Football Club

FOUNDED 1885

THURSDAY, 26th DECEMBER, 1963

v

LUTON TOWN

FOOTBALL LEAGUE

KICK OFF 3-15 p.m.



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MEET THE PLAYERS

Today we ask you to meet JOHNNY LEEDHAM. John joined us as a Professional on 15th October, 1962, after assisting us as an Amateur whilst with Barking F.C. Normally a wing-half, John has adapted himself to the centre-half position this season, playing for the Reserves. 21 years of age last month, he stands 5 ft. 11½ ins. and weighs 12 st. 3 lbs.

Notes and Comments

Good afternoon Ladies and Gentlemen. This is the first opportunity we have had of greeting you since the end of November, so on behalf of the Directors, Management and Players we wish you all the Compliments of the Season and a Happy and Prosperous New Year. We at The Den are certainly hoping for a more prosperous second half of the season as far as results are concerned.

As you already know, we have a new Manager. Three weeks ago Mr. Billy Gray, who has played with Leyton Orient, Chelsea, Burnley and Notts Forest, took over. Still young enough to play himself, Billy, without minimising the task facing him, radiates a quiet confidence which should infect the players. They have already expressed satisfaction with the change in training schedules introduced by Mr. Gray. Certain players, previously unhappy, have dropped their grievances, and a spirit of endeavour prevails. If they can harness this spirit to a practical performance of the methods of play Billy is demonstrating to the lads, then there is every reason to hope we shall get out of trouble.

Billy is fanatically keen on building up the Youth policy of the Club, and is very enthusiastic about the scheme introduced two months ago when we took into the fold as a Nursery Club, Greenwich Town F.C. In future all applications from youngsters for trials will be passed on to our Nursery Club, who run four teams. The best of these lads will be introduced into the Colts team. Under this scheme the progress of every potential player will be followed up. There is no doubt that this will be a foundation for the future.

Our immediate problem, however, is to gain as many points as is possible between now and the end of the season to safeguard our status in the Third Division. The crying need is apparent — we need goal-scoring forwards. The manager has the backing of the Board, and he can find us the players to get goals, then the cash will be made available.

We welcome to The Den this afternoon the Officials and Players of Luton Town. Many years have passed since we last met the Bedfordshire Club, who dropped into the Third Division at the end of last season, and like ourselves have not enjoyed very much success. Today's

encounter is an important one for both clubs. Let us hope that the Lions can collect the spoils today, so that when we visit Luton for the return game on Saturday, the lads can take the field with a feeling of confidence. Four points from these two games can give us a much needed boost.

Due to our no longer having an interest in the F.A. Cup, our fixtures have been amended in some respects. For instance we have no home match on Saturday 4th January, when we were due to play Port Vale. Instead we travel to Coventry on Friday, 3rd January to play the League Leaders in a fixture brought forward from 25th January. This should enable us to fix something for the latter date.

MILLWALL SUPPORTERS' CLUB

Today's match gives us a rather belated opportunity to wish you, your family and friends, our Very Best Wishes, not only for this Festive Season, but for the year that lies ahead. For the second half of the Season, it must surely be the wish of us all that Millwall Football Club which we support, may not only fight its way out of trouble, but set the pattern for the years ahead. We wish them every success. We, on our part, have already assured the new Manager, Mr. W. Gray, of our wishes to assist him in any way he may feel will be of benefit to the Club.

v. LUTON TOWN AWAY

Our next Away Match is to Luton, on December 28th, and as usual, we will be running coaches for this Match, and bookings can be made at the Supporters Club Office on the Ground, or book direct, enclosing your deposit of 5/- to the Secretary, M.S.C. 168 Bellingham

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The Supporters' Club First Team have now got fully into their stride and their latest victims being Tottenham Hotspurs S.C. — the result 9—3 in our favour, and although no famous names were included in their Team, this was a most creditable performance. On the 29th December, they play Manchester United Supporters' Club at Ware— details of transport, together with full list of fixtures from Supporters' Club Office.

The All-England Supporters' Club are arranging an All-in Trip to Scotland for the big Match, v. England in April. Details of this and other big Matches from the Hon. Secretary.

In conclusion, perhaps we can feel a sense of achievement in the fact that 1963 was perhaps one of the best years in the history of the Supporters' Club, and proved that with goodwill on both sides, a go-ahead Supporters' Club can not only render good service to the Parent Club by its endeavours, but can prove an integral part of the Framework of The Modern Football Club. Enjoy today's match, and a Happy New Year to you all.

G. MASON,
Hon. Secretary.

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8. HARRY OBENEY

10. DAVE JONES

7. RITCHIE WARD

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11. HARRY SMITH

9. O'ROURKE

7. HARRY WALDEN

10. TOM McKECHNIE

8. BARRIE REED

6. ALWIN McGUFFIE

5. GORDON FINCHAM

4. DAVE PACEY

3. JOHN BRAMWELL

2. BOB MORTON

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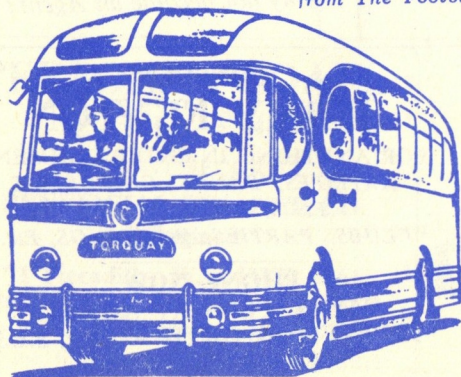
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FOOTBALL COMBINATION FIXTURE LIST 1963/64

1963	Opponents	Venue	F. A.	1964	Opponents	Venue	F. A.
Aug 27	Chelsea ...	home	1 3	Jan 4	Swindon Town ...	away	
31	Aldershot ...	away	1 0	11	Watford ...	away	
Sep 10	Watford ...	home	2 0	21	Coventry City ...	home	
21	Bournemouth ...	away	0 3	28	Swindon Town ...	home	
Oct 1	Portsmouth ...	home	1 1	Feb 4	Bournemouth ...	home	
5	Queens Park Rangers	away	1 2	12	Portsmouth ...	away	
12	Leyton Orient	home	2 4	18	Queens Park Rangers	home	
16	Coventry City ...	away	0 2	26	Fulham ...	away	
22	Charlton Athletic	away	1 2	Mar 3	Reading ...	home	
29	Fulham ...	home	4 0	11	Southampton ...	away	
Nov 6	Reading ...	away	1 1	17	Brentford ...	home	
12	Southampton ...	home	2 0	21	Birmingham City	away	
19	Brentford ...	away	2 0	28	Brighton & Hove	home	
26	Birmingham City	home	3 2	Apr 4	Leyton Orient ...	away	
30	Brighton & Hove	away	1 1	11	Southend United	away	
Dec 10	Charlton Athletic	home	1 1	28	Southend ...	home	
14	Chelsea ...	away	0 2				
23	Aldershot ...	home					

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1963	Opponents	Venue	F. A.	1964	Opponents	Venue	F. A.
Aug 24	Reading ...	home	2 0	Jan 3	Coventry City ...	away	
26	Watford ...	home	0 3	11	Hull City ...	away	
31	Barnsley ...	away	1 1	18	Bournemouth ...	home	
				25	(4)		
Sep 7	Hull City ...	home	0 1	Feb 1	Wrexham ...	away	
10	Watford ...	away	2 2	8	Queens Park Rangers	home	
14	Bournemouth ...	away	0 4	15	(5) Bristol Rovers	away	
16	Colchester United	home	0 1	22	Crystal Palace ...	home	
21	Wrexham ...	home	1 4	28	(6) Walsall ...	away	
28	Queens Park Rangers	away	0 2				
30	Colchester United	away	0 2				
Oct 5	Bristol Rovers ...	home	0 1	Mar 7	Brentford ...	home	
7	Peterborough United	away	3 2	14	(SF) Shrewsbury Town	away	
12	Crystal Palace ...	away	1 2	21	Walsall ...	home	
14	Peterborough United	home	0 2	27	Southend United	home	
19	Mansfield Town ...	home	0 1	28	Port Vale ...	away	
23	Oldham Athletic	away	2 1	30	Southend United	away	
26	Brentford ...	away	1 3				
28	Oldham Athletic	home	2 1	Apr 4	Notts County ...	home	
				11	Crewe Alexandra	away	
Nov 2	Shrewsbury Town	home	2 2	13	Barnsley ...	home	
9	Bristol City ...	away	0 0	18	Coventry City ...	home	
16	Kettering ...	away	1 1	20	Bristol City ...	home	
23	Notts County ...	away	0 2	25	Mansfield Town ...	away	
30	Crewe Alexandra	home	1 0				
Dec 7	(2)			May 2	FINAL		
14	Reading ...	away	0 0				
26	Luton Town ...	home					
28	Luton Town ...	away					

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Goalkeeper—

RON BAYNHAM. Has been with Luton Town since 1951. Was secured from Worcester City. He has represented England on several occasions. Played for the Football League on 2 occasions and also for England 'B' Team versus Yugoslavia 'B'. Was a member of the F.A. Touring team to South America in 1959.

Full-backs—

JOHN BRAMWELL. Joined Luton in October 1960 from Everton and has proved a very capable player worthy to be considered for International honours. Played wing-half on several occasions last season, proving equally successful.

ALAN DANIEL. A player of considerable promise who gained a place in the First team last season. Signed Professional for Luton in January 1958, when 18. Son of Mel Daniel who played for us during and immediately after the war.

ALAN McBAIN. Born in Aberdeen. Played for Carlisle last season when he attracted the Manager's attention. Transferred to Luton in exchange for J. Lornie and A. Ross. A very sound and capable defender.

Half-backs—

GRAHAM CALEB. This youngster signed as an Apprentice Footballer for us in December 1961, although he has 3 'A' levels. Settled down very well and showed such promise that he was offered full Professional Registration in April, 1963.

ALAN CLARKE. Another local lad who has played considerably well since he joined us as an Amateur in the 1957-58 season. Signed as a part-time Professional in October, 1961.

GORDON FINCHAM. Transferred from Leicester to Plymouth 4 years ago and then to Luton in July 1963. Is the

dominating Centre-half we hope will strengthen our defence.

DAVID PACEY. Born in Luton, signed for the Club in 1956. Has played for the F.A. versus the R.A.F. and was also a member of the England under 23 team against Germany and Italy. Very strong player with a liking for getting among the goalscorers.

Forwards—

MATT BRENNAN. Signed from Scottish Club, Glasgow St. Roch in June 1962 on the recommendation of our old player, David Hutchison. Called in to First Team service towards the end of last season when he showed much promise for the future.

RON DAVIES. Obtained from Chester in October 1962 and was an immediate success. Scored 21 goals, including 4 against Norwich City at Luton last April. His performances created much interest for the Wales under 23 Team.

GORDON TURNER. Came to Luton as a Wing-half upon his demob from the Navy but found his true position in the No. 8 shirt. Represented the English League against the Scottish League in 1955 and also played for the F.A. XI versus the Army in 1958. The Town's leading goalscorer for eight seasons, he is a skilled player with a tremendous shot.

THOMAS McKECHNIE. Born Glasgow and came here direct from Rob Roy (Scotland) at the end of season 1960-61. Played consistently in the First Team the past two seasons, except when injury prevented him from playing.

GARETH SALISBURY. Played for Norwich last season. When we found he was not being retained we immediately jumped in and signed him. Can play forward or half-back, but prefers to be up front.

FOOTBALL LEAGUE DIV. 3

	P	W	D	L	F	A	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Coventry.....	24	9	2	1	35	13	7	3	2	26	14	37
Oldham.....	24	9	1	2	28	16	4	4	4	19	17	31
Crystal Pal.....	24	9	3	0	24	8	3	4	5	17	21	31
Reading.....	24	9	2	1	20	9	3	3	6	11	19	29
Shrewsbury.....	24	9	3	1	25	9	2	4	5	16	30	29
Bournemouth.....	24	8	2	2	20	6	4	2	6	15	17	28
Watford.....	24	8	3	1	30	15	3	3	6	11	17	28
Bristol City.....	24	6	5	2	22	11	4	2	5	15	20	27
Brentford.....	24	7	1	5	37	21	3	5	3	18	21	26
Colchester.....	24	6	3	3	26	14	2	7	3	13	17	26
Hull City.....	22	7	4	0	25	11	2	4	5	11	20	26
Bristol Rovers.....	23	6	3	2	23	9	4	2	6	19	23	25
Port Vale.....	24	7	4	1	21	7	2	3	7	7	16	25
Peterborough.....	24	7	3	2	33	15	3	1	8	13	26	24
Walsall.....	25	4	6	3	20	19	4	2	6	10	15	24
Mansfield.....	24	6	6	0	23	11	2	1	9	12	24	23
Q.P.R.....	24	7	0	4	23	20	3	2	8	16	25	22
Southend.....	25	3	7	2	18	13	2	2	9	14	31	19
Crewe Alex.....	24	5	3	4	14	12	1	4	7	12	26	19
Barnsley.....	23	4	5	3	18	15	1	3	7	15	31	18
Luton Town.....	24	5	2	5	19	24	0	4	8	5	22	16
Notts. County.....	23	5	1	5	12	9	1	1	10	11	35	14
MILLWALL.....	22	3	1	7	8	16	2	3	7	10	22	14
Wrexham.....	24	3	1	7	25	29	1	2	10	16	40	11

GOALSCORERS

Football League				League Cup				F.A. Cup			
Terry	4	Foster	2	McLaughlin ...	6	Terry	1	Terry	1		
McLaughlin ...	4	Townend	1	Terry	2	Obeney	1	Obeney	1		
Obeney	3	Broadfoot ...	1	Fraser	2	Fraser	1	Fraser	1		
Haverty	2	Opponents ...	1	Jones	1						
				Haverty	1						

FOOTBALL COMBINATION

Mid-Week Section

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Birmingham.....	16	10	4	2	42	18	24
Chelsea.....	15	10	3	2	40	10	23
Swindon Town.....	15	10	1	4	46	28	21
Charlton Ath.....	15	8	5	2	25	19	21
Leyton O.....	17	9	3	5	37	35	21
Portsmouth.....	15	8	3	4	38	23	19
Fulham.....	16	7	4	5	33	29	18
Southampton.....	16	8	1	7	35	30	17
Reading.....	17	6	5	6	45	44	17
MILLWALL.....	17	6	4	7	23	24	16
Coventry.....	16	5	5	6	27	26	15
Bournemouth.....	16	6	3	7	25	25	15
Watford.....	16	5	4	7	30	33	14
Brighton & H.....	16	5	2	9	27	50	12
Q.P.R.....	16	5	1	10	21	34	11
Brentford.....	16	2	5	9	19	40	9
Aldershot.....	15	2	4	9	18	36	8
Southend Utd.....	16	1	3	12	25	52	5

GOALSCORERS

Townend	5	Horne	1
Fraser	3	John	1
Stocks	3	D. Hyde	1
Cripps	3	Jones	1
Anderson	2	Opponents ...	1
Ward	2		

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