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HARRY HASLAM



In many quarters it might be said that Luton, next week, face their most important game since 1959, when we re-trace our steps this season to Roker Park for the Sixth Round sudden death encounter with Sunderland. While I may not wholeheartedly subscribe to such a view, it is still gratifying to acknowledge that the club is geared to join the envied band of sides who are continually enjoying the benefits of the prestige occasions.

Though we appear to be burdened with problems off the field, such as the steam hammer blows of losing Keith Barber and Barry Butlin in a frightfully short space of time, we shall exchange our League 'robes' for this afternoon's visit of Sunderland, with confidence for the entirely different Cup 'cloaks' needed next Saturday. Yet, I want any link with this afternoon's game and a certain result of five months ago when we had the good fortune to collect two away points at Roker Park, completely erased from anything which is expected to take place in seven days time.

It will be important to win today and confirm the merit of our success at Roker Park last October. It will be a nice consoling thought to approach the vital Cup-tie with the knowledge that twice already you have beaten the opposition—should we be successful this afternoon. BUT I really don't think anyone can relate too much importance on the Luton-Sunderland League games, for the two competitions are worlds apart and have to be approached, treated and tackled so differently, both physically and mentally.

Getting the players in the right frame of mind, an attitude which is so imperative—a pet obsession of mine which I have stressed before as being so utterly important—is the main thing. And that's going to be the biggest problem for Ken Whitfield and myself whether we win or lose today.

Sunderland and Bob Stokoe are a team for whom I have every respect and I should imagine that they are hoping to get some impetus out of the Cup and a possible place in the Semi-Final in order to boost their drive to move away from the relegation zone. While our tie may not be as glamorous as a few others I could mention, it still carries the magic and intrigue associated with the best competition in the world as it guarantees a place in

the Semi-Finals for a team from the Second Division.

I have followed soccer for forty years and quite a few thousand fans have followed it for longer.

Many more have yet to serve such a length of time. But I think the majority are all waiting for the day—and needless to say, right now, that I am one of them—that Wembley and all its flamboyant adulation is waiting to welcome the first Cup winners from the Second Division since 1931 when West Bromwich Albion turned the form book upside down in beating Birmingham City.

With over a £100,000 worth of talent torn out of the team, many fans will believe that our prospects of moving a step further are extremely doubtful.

It will make our fight all the harder to try and overcome Sunderland without the power of Barry Butlin and the confidence which Keith Barber could give to the defence, I will admit that. But the squad is alive with capable lads and we know we can depend on them just as we had to depend on other players at other times. Everyone in the club knows this game at Sunderland is a great challenge and a test of character for Kenilworth Road, the team know only too well how to respond to make this season and all the hardwork and progress really worthwhile.

The team will prepare no differently from our previous Cup build ups—and why should they when its proved so successful in earlier rounds. The time to do something different is after you have had your hands on the actual Cup and until that time we shall stick in general to present policies.

A quirk of fate has meant that Vic Halom, who contributed so much to our earlier season success, and seems likely to be aiding a side who will be doing their best to knock us out. Vic's knowledge will, no doubt, be very useful to his new manager's Cup plotting. But it will be deeds and not words that will take Sunderland or Luton within 90 minutes of Wembley and if we can rely on the fans of Kenilworth Road to give us the inspiration which proved such a big contribution to our success at Newcastle, I feel sure the lads will rise to the occasion and book a Semi-Final date for our supporters. See you there—and if I have to send out for a set of ear-muffs, I won't mind in the least!

Harry Haslam was talking to Norton Jones

TOWN TRAVEL

Join the jet-age Seventies and travel in style to watch Luton's latest Cup battles. The Club have arranged two special flights for supporters who want the best in luxury travel and details are set out below. Bookings should be sent to the Club Offices, 70 Kenilworth Road, Luton, together with the correct remittance.

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- (Note: This is an all-ticket match)

Approximate Timings

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Arrive at Roker Park mid-day
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The dramatic revival of interest in Sunderland, prompted by their exciting progress to an F.A. Cup quarter-final with Luton next Saturday, brought amazing scenes to Roker Park before last week-end's League victory over Oxford United.

With excitement at fever pitch after the mid-week Cup knock-out of Manchester City, Sunderland announced that 34,000 vouchers for Luton match tickets would be available to spectators at the Oxford fixture.

So many people were milling outside the ground near kick-off time that the referee agreed to put the start back to 3-15 pm at the request of the Police. When the game eventually got under way, the crowd reached 39,222—the biggest for any match in the Second Division this season.

This falls into a pattern of soaring gates beginning from the time Bob Stokoe was appointed manager in December. The enthusiasm resembles the time when Tommy Docherty worked a similar revival for Aston Villa.

Sunderland are very much a great club, with many similarities to Villa, and everyone in football has been waiting for the day when the Roker potential could be tapped again. Bob Stokoe has certainly worked wonders in producing such instant reaction, particularly as Sunderland are not yet clear of relegation worries.

They had started the season in a spirit of optimism and many neutral observers rated them as one of the best footballing sides in the Division. However, an adverse balance of away fixtures, plus the shortage of scoring skills, dragged the club into the lower half of the table and when Mr Stokoe was appointed, Sunderland had won only once in the previous dozen games.

He could not have picked a more difficult start than a home tussle with Burnley, but there was no shame in losing 1-0 to the Championship contenders. Since then, Sunderland have lost only once in 14 League and Cup matches and revealed new power when beating both Brighton and Middlesbrough 4-0.

Mr Stokoe has made several important alterations to the squad. Having switched £100,000 striker Dave Watson to centre-half with considerable success, he then made a big, strong centre-forward the main item in his buying list.

It seemed he had got the right man when paying a reported £35,000 to sign

TALKING ABOUT SUNDERLAND



John Hughes, the former Scotland and Celtic player, from Crystal Palace. However, he was injured in his first outing and so Mr Stokoe got in touch with Kenilworth Road and agreed terms with Harry Haslam for the purchase of Vic Halom.

Defensively, Mr Stokoe has strengthened the first-team pool by snapping up three players from neighbouring Newcastle United. Left-back Ron Guthrie and central defender David Young arrived in January in a £35,000 package deal and full-back Ray Ellison signed up last week.

Unfortunately, Young and Guthrie have been out because of injury recently and Sunderland had to recall Ritchie Pitt from a loan spell with Arsenal. Ellison also got an early chance against Oxford as stand-in for Guthrie.

With League results improving almost as soon as Mr Stokoe took charge, the new manager announced that a Cup run would be an ideal tonic for club and supporters. Mind you, he could hardly have visualised such lengthy progress.

Sunderland, in fact, have needed a replay in all three ties. They drew at Notts County in round three and then won 2-0 before a crowd of 30,083. There was a momentary scare when Reading surprised a 33,913 Roker attendance by drawing 1-1 and taking Sunderland back to Berkshire, but Stokoe's men galloped home 3-1 at the second attempt.

This led to the highly emotional scenes following victory over Manchester City. Sunderland more than merited their 2-2 draw at Maine Road before a full house attendance and the gates were also closed at Roker Park when Halom and Billy Hughes (2) scored those memorable goals.

It's certain that the terraces will be bulging again next Saturday and we wonder what conclusions will be drawn from today's 'rehearsal'. Let's say it is great for the Second Division to be certain of a semi-finalist and great that Sunderland are emerging from several seasons in the doldrums.

SUNDERLAND—1972-73...

(Back row): Jim Montgomery, Martin Harvey, Joe Bolton, Dave Watson, Dick Malone, Ritchie Pitt, Ian Porterfield, Derek Forster. (Front row): Mike Horswill, Keith Coleman, Bobby Kerr, Brian Chambers, Billy Hughes, Dennis Tueart, Jim Hamilton, Mike McGiven, Bobby Park.

HISTORY

Founded: 1879. Elected to League Division One: 1890. Ground: Roker Park, Sunderland. Record Attendance: 75,000, against Derby County (F.A. Cup), March, 1933. Division One Champions: 1891-92, 1892-93, 1894-95, 1901-02, 1912-13, 1935-36. Runners-up: 1893-94, 1897-98, 1900-01, 1922-23, 1934-35. Division Two Runners-up: 1963-64. F.A. Cup Winners: 1937. Finalists: 1913.

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1970-71	2	13th	15	42	1965-66	1	19th	14	36
1969-70	1	21st	6	26	1964-65	1	15th	14	37
1968-69	1	17th	11	34	1963-64	2	2nd	25	61
1967-68	1	15th	13	37	1962-63	2	3rd	20	52

MANAGER CAPTAIN

Sunderland became Bob Stokoe's sixth managerial appointment last December, and in three months intense work since returning to his native North-East, he has transformed the atmosphere around stately Roker Park.

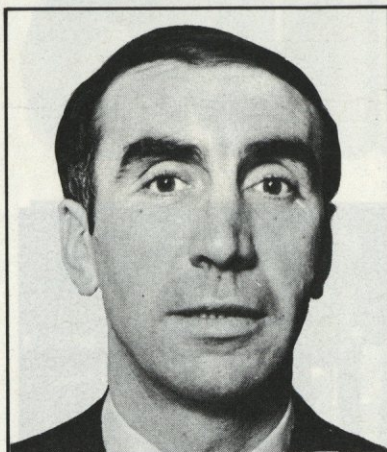
Sunderland were in trouble when Mr Stokoe arrived. They had only 15 points and the vast terraces of one of soccer's most famous grounds looked empty as gates hovered around the 12,000 mark. Now, after steady progress up the League ladder, Sunderland really feel back in the big time following the 50,000 gate for their Cup victory over Manchester City.

This is typical of the Stokoe formula. The former Newcastle centre-half—he won a 1955 Cup medal—has never had it easy as a manager, but he has always left his mark. Bury were bottom of the Second Division when he took over as player-manager. A year later, they finished sixth.

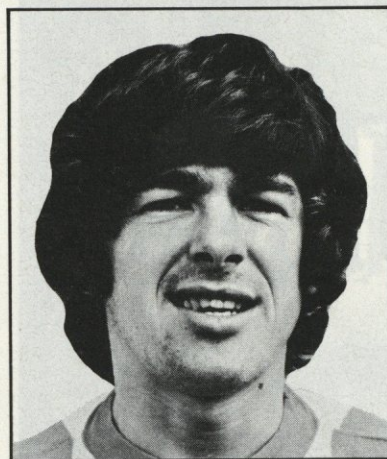
Then it was on to Charlton, where he again had to fight off a relegation threat. Two years later, Rochdale became his next club and the Stokoe inspiration cleared away from seeking re-election and lifted them to promotion standard a year later.

Stokoe's reputation as a 'trouble shooter' then brought a call from Carlisle United, lurching at the foot of the Second Division. They soon put together a run of 13 unbeaten games, finishing in mid-table, and went to the League Cup Final the following year.

Blackpool were next to seek Stokoe's aid and, although he failed to keep them in the First Division, the Seasiders were in a healthy state when he left them in third place last November.



BOB STOKOE



BOBBY KERR

Bobby Kerr, one of the 'army' of high-class youngsters to emerge from Sunderland's prolific youth policy in recent years, took over the captaincy last season when injury terminated the career of Irish international Martin Harvey.

Born in Alexandria, Scotland, Bobby fully deserved the recognition after the spirited way he had overcome two broken legs in the early days of his League career.

Bobby joined Sunderland straight from school and, although still only 25, he is one of the most experienced players in the club, having totted up his 100th League game last season. He made his debut against Manchester City on New Year's Eve, 1965, and for a long time was regarded as a winger, but last season he showed new qualities when moving inside to a midfield role.

He is convinced that the profits of Sunderland's youth scheme will be revealed in the next few seasons. "We have always had a good youth-side in my time at Roker," he says. "We have been there or thereabouts in most junior competitions and we are now reaping the benefits of the young lads."

He believes that the advantage of having a young side shows itself when the going is hard. "We always get 100 per cent effort," he says.

Having already tasted life in the First Division when Sunderland were relegated, Bobby can't wait to get back and he feels that they can achieve this target next season. The new excitement generated in recent weeks has completed Bobby's ambition to see 40,000-plus crowds back at Roker Park.

POINTS ON PLAYERS

JIM MONTGOMERY—Goalkeeper. Born in Sunderland in October, 1943, Jim joined the Roker Park staff straight from school and made his debut against Walsall in a League Cup-tie in February, 1962, when still in his teens. Has played for England Under-23 and the Football League. As a youngster he admired the great Manchester City goalkeeper, Bert Trautmann.

DICK MALONE—Defender. Joined Sunderland two seasons ago from Scottish club Ayr United. Scottish Under-23 caps to his credit, he made a big impression with the Roker Park fans towards the end of last season with some fine displays in the number two shirt. Dick likes to make full use of the overlapping tactics that are so popular with many full-backs these days.

RAY ELLISON—Defender. Sunderland's latest signing, he joined them from Newcastle on Thursday of last week and played against Oxford United last Saturday. Born in Newcastle, Ray joined his hometown club from school and made his First Division debut against Derby last season. Aged 21.

MICK HORSWILL—Defender. Young half-back who stepped into Martin Harvey's number four shirt when he made his debut against Preston North End. Born in Annfield Plain, County Durham, and made a tremendous impression with the Roker Park fans.

RITCHIE PITT—Defender. Seaham-born centre-half who stepped into the League side when Charlie Hurley moved to Bolton. Played for Seaham and Durham County Boys and joined Sunderland from school. A Schoobloy international trialist for England. Strong and reliable, he was the regular centre-half last season and only missed two games through injury.

MIKE MCGIVEN—Defender. Newcastle-born, Mike linked up at Roker Park shortly after leaving school. He was one of the successes of the team that won the F.A. Youth Cup four seasons ago. Broke

a leg against Luton two seasons ago and took half of last season to recapture his true form.

IAN PORTERFIELD—Midfield. Born Cowdenbeath. Signed by Sunderland from Raith Rovers despite fierce competition from other English clubs. Ian took a long time to settle in English football, but played exceptionally well last year until being out of action with a fractured leg.

BRIAN CHAMBERS—Midfield. Born Newcastle. Joined Sunderland after playing for Newcastle, Northumberland County and England Schoolboys. This young man has proved his versatility by appearing in many positions for the League side. Last season he was used mainly in midfield, but appeared at left-back and centre-half when there were injury problems.

DAVE WATSON—Defender. Started his career with Notts County. Made his debut against Watford at Vicarage Road and scored the goal that gave Sunderland a point in a 1-1 draw. An ever-present last term. Strong, courageous player who is brilliant in the air. Toured Australia and the Far East with the F.A. party at the end of the 1970-71 season. Joined Sunderland from Rotherham United.

BILLY HUGHES—Forward. Born Coatbridge. Came South to find his soccer feet with Sunderland, and made his first-team debut five years ago. Has played in the number nine shirt, but prefers to play on the left-wing and cut in to have a go at goal.

DENNIS TUEART—Forward. Another Newcastle-born player who preferred to come to Sunderland rather than go to St. James' Park. Played for Northumberland County at Schoolboy level. Played in the majority of games for the League side and was second behind Dave Watson in the goalscoring list.

JOHN LATHAN—Forward. Born in Sunderland. Established himself in the first-team last season with a succession of good performances in the striker role.

Scored a hat-trick—his first in the League—against Portsmouth.

DAVID YOUNG—Defender. Transferred from Newcastle on 5th January this year and soon gave strength to the middle of the defence. David was a late developer at Newcastle because he chose to study accountancy until he was 20—playing for three years as an amateur and for two as a part-timer. Then he became reserve-team captain and broke through to the first-team in a European Fairs Cup game against Southampton in 1969-70. Had played less than 50 League games when joining Sunderland.

RON GUTHRIE—Defender. Another January capture from Newcastle, Ron spent nearly ten years on the professional roll at St. James' Park, but could never make the left-back spot his own because of Frank Clark's consistency. He played in around 50 League matches and, at 28, really deserved the chance of regular League action with Sunderland.

JOHN HUGHES—Forward. A £30,000 transfer from Crystal Palace in January enabled John to join forces with younger brother Billy on the Roker staff. Unfortunately, the former Scottish international was hurt on his debut and was put on the sidelines for some weeks. John was with Palace for about 15 months, having joined them from Celtic, where he won eight Scottish caps and played in the Finals of the World Championship (1967) and European Cup (1970).

VIC HALOM—Forward. A big welcome back to Kenilworth Road this afternoon for Vic Halom, who, of course, was our top scorer until his recent transfer to Sunderland. Vic made a great start in the Roker colours, scoring on his home debut against Middlesbrough and netting in the Cup win against Manchester City. Vic spent a happy season and a half with the Hatters after joining us from Fulham in September, 1971. He had previously played for Orient and Charlton Athletic.



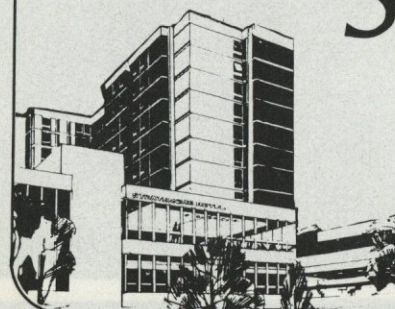
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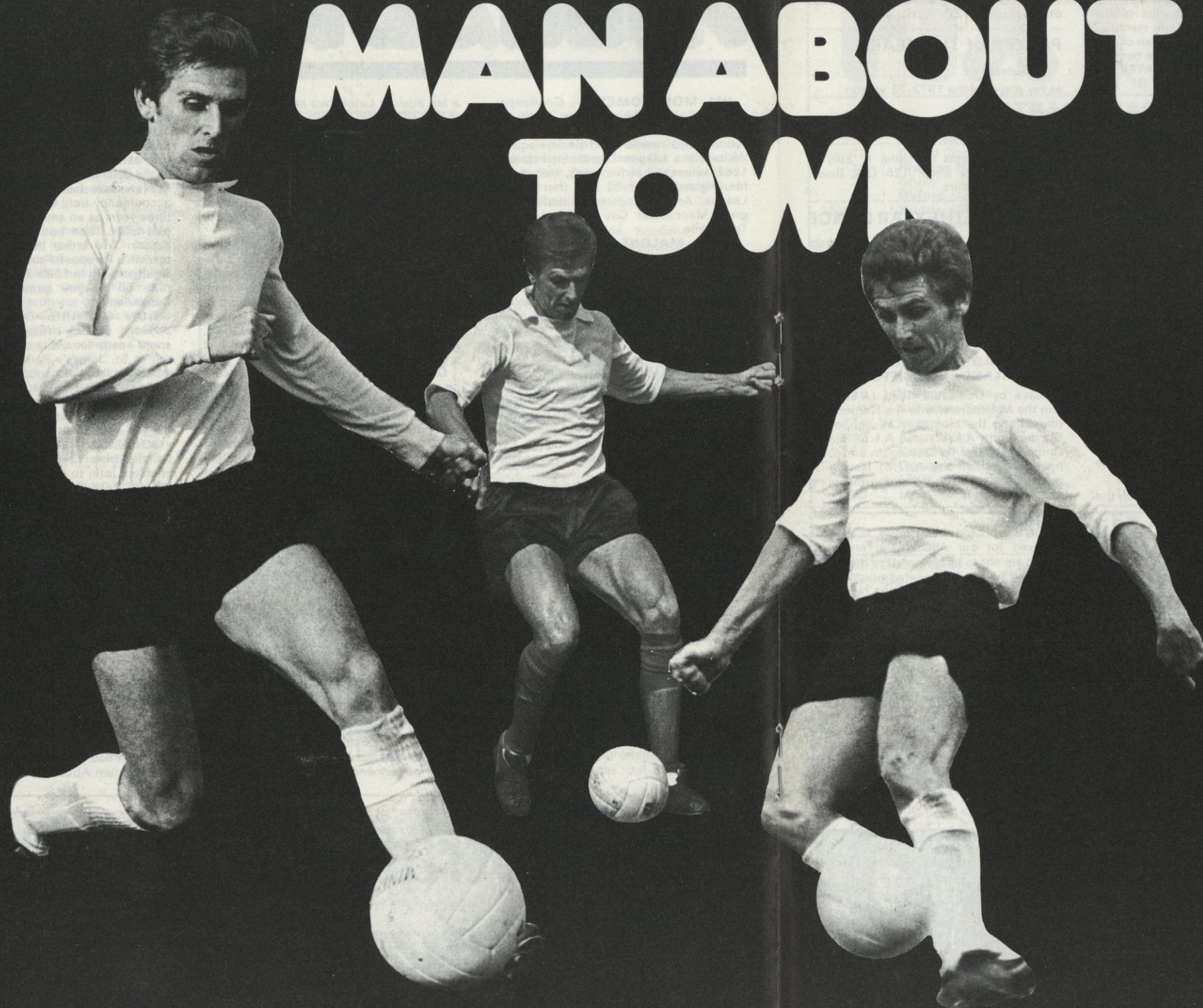
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MAN ABOUT TOWN



Bobby Thomson's reward for 12 hard—but not always happy—campaigns in League soccer's senior class will be to lead Luton Town into their first European competition in the Anglo-Italian Tournament.

The former Wolves and Birmingham full-back was launched as Luton's new skipper to coincide with the entrance to this year's F.A. Cup against Crewe, a responsibility he inherited after manager Harry Haslam invited him to take over from long-serving fellow defender John Ryan.

No doubt Luton's team-boss did his homework on Bobby's past before trusting him with a duty that, in the possession of the right player, can, on occasions, mean the stark difference between success and defeat.

Bobby's present promotion now credits him with his fourth captain's 'badge' because both the legend of Molineux, Stan Cullis and World Cup manager, Sir Alf Ramsey, paid tribute to Thomson's ability to handle a team. "It's great to get the job back after a pre-Luton spell which almost put the crunch on my career when success turned sour at Birmingham," he says. Thomson enjoyed the skipper's role with the England Under-23's, Wolves and Birmingham before getting a 'discard' notice served on him by present Blues manager, Freddie Goodwin.

"It was a bitter blow to lose so much ground in that final spell with Birmingham. Joining Luton this term gave me the opportunity to haul myself back and getting the faith of the boss to captain his side is just a tremendous boost for my morale.

"I thrive on the extra responsibilities. But the individual players know their own jobs better than I do, so it's not often that I have to issue any corrective advice. I thought the recent game at Newcastle was going to put me on the tightrope. But we got the goals at the right time and the words were taken out of my mouth during the break when the team was told by the management to treat the next 45 minutes as another match and to make sure we won that one as well."

We asked Bobby, perhaps the most experienced player of the squad with eight full England caps and 15 appearances for the Under-23's, whether he thought the captain's role now was more difficult or easier than when he first played under the big-name leaders.

"I am sure it's more difficult to be a strong influence as a captain now, because the whole game is more professional and players don't require the kind of advice offered freely years ago. Yet some of my old skippers, Ron Flowers, Bill Slater and Bobby Moore, were born characters for the position. Each of them had certain qualities and assets which made them something special. I only hope I have learned from them and will be able to impart and transform them to the advantage and benefit of Luton."

BOBBY THOMSON

TOWN TALK

Can you guess the gate for our next home game against Bristol City on 24th March? *Pickwick International* of Leighton Buzzard again offer six long playing records for the competition and your entries should reach Luton Town Promotions, 70-71 Kenilworth Road, Luton, Bedfordshire by mid-day on Saturday, 24th March.

Winners of the Cardiff City 'Guess the Gate' Competition... Master A. Winsor, 79 High Road, Soulbury, Master C. Ayres, 34 Grasmere Avenue, Luton. Mr S. Whiting, 94 Grove Road, Harpenden. Mr T. W. Paulley, Flat 1, Hall Place, St. Peters Street, St. Albans. Mr D. Keys, 7 Orchard Close, Bletchley. Mr P. J. Marsh, 9 Athelstan Road, Hemel Hempstead.

F.A. Cup Sixth Round—Replay

In the event of a replay being necessary, this match will be played at Kenilworth Road on **Wednesday, 21st March, kick-off: 7-30 pm.**

Tickets will be on sale at the Kenilworth Road Office from 10-00 am until 1-00 pm on Sunday, 18th March. Season Ticket Holders have until Tuesday noon to claim their seats and match slip number three must be tendered with each application.

Prices: Centre Stand—85p
Wing Stand—70p

Owing to the shortage of time, it is regretted that no postal applications can be accepted.

FORTHCOMING MATCHES

Saturday, 24th March
League Division Two
LUTON TOWN v BRISTOL CITY
Kick-off: 3-00 pm
Wednesday, 4th April
Anglo-Italian Tournament
LUTON TOWN v FIORENTINA
Kick-off: 7-30 pm

Harry Haslam recently received a gallon bottle of *Bell's Whisky* as the prize for his nomination as Second Division Manager of the Month for January. The presentation was made by Hatters Director Mr Eric Morecambe at the Cardiff match (*below*).



PLAYER OF THE YEAR AND SUPPORTER OF THE YEAR 72-73

With only a few more weeks remaining of the 1972-73 season the time is once again approaching when the thoughts of the Bobbers and Supporters Club members must turn towards nominating their choice of persons they would like to see become this year's recipients of the **PLAYER OF THE YEAR** and **SUPPORTER OF THE YEAR** trophies.

The awards this year are to be presented at two separate functions, both of which will be held in the Hatter Club, Maple Road, Luton.

The first award to be presented will be the **PLAYER OF THE YEAR** and this will take place during a Buffet Dance to be held on Monday, 16th April. Booked to appear is a first class band and cabaret artiste and this evening has all the makings of being one of the most memorable yet to be held in the Hatters Club. Tickets which are available to both members and non-members of the Bobbers and Supporters Club are priced at £2 and will be strictly limited in numbers and sold on a first come first served basis. Those wishing to be present are advised to submit their application form as early as possible so as not to be disappointed. This is the evening when not only will you be able to meet the playing staff but also show your appreciation to the winner of the trophy and his team-mates for the tremendous efforts they have put in this season and for the success achieved.

The date of the Dance during which the

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FIXTURES...

FOOTBALL LEAGUE DIVISION TWO—1972-73

Date	Opponents	Att	F A	Date	Opponents	Att	F A
Aug 12	Cardiff City	16,364	1-2	26	Sheffield Wednesday	15,799	0-0
19	Preston North End	11,507	1-0	30	Preston North End	9,638	0-2
26	Orient	6,494	1-0	Jan 6	Orient	8,344	1-1
30	Oxford United	10,891	0-1	13	Crewe Alexandra (FAC 3)	9,411	2-0
Sept 2	Huddersfield Town	8,133	4-1	20	Huddersfield Town	3,871	2-1
5	Birmingham City (LC2)	20,962	1-1	27	Nottingham Forest	10,083	1-0
9	Nottingham Forest	9,495	1-0	Feb 3	Newcastle United (FAC4)	42,170	2-0
13	Birmingham City (LC2 replay)	13,806	1-1	10	Brighton and Hove Albion	11,404	0-2
16	Brighton and Hove Albion	11,627	2-1	17	Cardiff City	10,442	1-1
20	Birmingham City (LC2 2nd replay)	11,139	0-1	24	Bolton (FAC5)	39,556	1-0
23	Sheffield Wednesday	18,913	0-4	26	Millwall	10,504	2-3
26	Swindon Town	8,469	2-0	Mar 3	Blackpool	6,947	1-1
30	Burnley	12,197	2-2	10	Sunderland		
Oct 7	Blackpool	12,073	2-2	17	Sunderland (FAC6)		
14	Sunderland	13,394	2-0	24	Bristol City		
18	Portsmouth	9,813	2-2	27	Fulham		
21	Hull City	11,560	1-2	31	Carlisle United		
28	Bristol City	13,562	1-0	April 7	Fulham (FAC/SF)		
Nov 4	Swindon Town	10,596	0-1	14	Queen's Park Rangers		
11	Portsmouth	7,571	2-2	21	Aston Villa		
18	Aston Villa	29,144	2-0	23	Middlesbrough		
25	Carlisle United	10,091	0-1	24	Burnley		
Dec 9	Queen's Park Rangers	13,670	2-2	28	Oxford United		
16	Millwall	11,550	2-2		To be arranged—Hull City		
23	Middlesbrough	10,122	1-0				

MID-WEEK LEAGUE FIXTURES—1972-73

Date	Opponents	F A	Date	Opponents	F A	Date	Opponents	F A
Aug 23	Gillingham	7-0	8	Northampton Town	4-2	17	Orient	3-1
30	Brighton and Hove Albion	1-0	15	Southend United	1-1	24	Southend United	0-1
Sept 6	Cambridge United	5-0	21	Charlton Athletic	1-2	31	Charlton Athletic	4-1
27	Cambridge United	1-1	29	Colchester United	5-1	Feb 7	Watford (LC)	1-1
Oct 11	Millwall	2-1	Dec 5	Northampton Town	1-1	14	Watford (LC)	5-1
18	Watford	1-1	13	Colchester United	1-0	28	Northampton (LC)	3-0
25	Watford	1-1	Jan 3	Millwall	3-2	Mar 6	Northampton (LC)	
Nov 1	Gillingham	1-1	10	Brighton & Hove A	5-0	14	Orient	

Up to and including Saturday, 3rd March, 1973

LEAGUE DIVISION TWO

*League Games Only

HOME					AWAY					TEAMS	*HOME GATES		LEADING SCORERS—League, F.A. Cup	
P	W	D	L	F A	P	W	D	L	F A		Best	Average	League Cup and Other Clubs Goals	
31	8	6	1	30 16	8	7	1	22 13	45	BURNLEY	15,477	12,972	Fletcher 11, Dobson 10, James 8, Casper	
31	10	4	1	38 13	6	7	3	21 20	43	Q.P.R.	22,518	13,485	Givens 24, Bowles 14, Leach 9, Thomas 7	
31	9	4	2	27 12	4	6	2	22 24	36	FULHAM	17,576	10,882	Earle 14, Mitchell 10, Mullery 6, Barrett 5	
31	8	5	4	20 15	5	5	4	18 21	36	ASTON VILLA	38,637	29,830	Evans 11, Graydon 9, Rioch 9, Vowden 6	
32	11	1	3	26 11	4	4	9	14 21	35	OXFORD UNITED	13,412	9,142	Curran 11, Cassidy 8, Bray 5, Clarke D 5	
32	11	2	4	33 17	2	6	6	16 25	34	SHEFFIELD WED.	30,197	19,550	Joicey 16, Craig 10, Sunley 9, Prendergast 5	
32	7	6	3	26 14	5	4	7	18 25	34	BLACKPOOL	25,277	11,680	Suddick 12, Ainscow 10, Burns 6, Dyson 6, Rafferty 6	
31	4	8	4	21 19	8	2	5	18 17	34	LUTON TOWN	15,799	11,148	Aston 12, Butlin 5	
33	9	4	3	19 11	3	6	8	12 25	34	MIDDLESBROUGH	24,145	11,152	Hickton 9, Mills 7	
32	10	3	3	25 13	3	4	9	19 23	33	MILLWALL	13,207	10,273	Wood 16, Bolland 13, Cripps 6	
31	5	6	4	20 15	6	4	6	22 25	32	BRISTOL CITY	20,490	13,309	Gow 11, Gould 10, Spiring 7	
30	8	6	3	34 18	2	4	7	11 21	30	HULL CITY	13,580	9,436	Pearson 15, Holme 7, Houghton 7	
31	8	5	2	22 13	2	5	9	12 25	30	NOTTINGHAM F.	18,082	9,921	Galley 13, Martin 5	
31	5	4	7	18 16	5	4	6	20 21	28	PORTSMOUTH	16,419	10,030	Hiron 9, Piper 9, Jennings 6, Lewis 6	
31	5	4	5	14 18	5	4	8	16 29	28	PRESTON N.E.	18,822	10,585	Bruce 8, Tarbuck 7, Young 6	
27	7	5	2	23 10	2	4	7	15 24	27	SUNDERLAND	39,222	17,076	Halom 12, Tueart 11, Hughes 9, Lathan 7	
29	8	4	4	25 20	1	4	8	7 17	26	CARLISLE UNITED	17,842	8,143	Owen 12, Laidlaw 10, Martin 8, Balderstone 6	
31	6	5	4	19 13	1	6	9	13 26	25	ORIENT	9,492	5,827	Queen 8, Downing 6, Fairbrother 6	
29	10	1	4	26 15	0	4	10	8 29	25	CARDIFF CITY	16,364	11,256	McCulloch 12, Woodruff 7, Bell 6	
32	5	7	4	23 22	2	4	10	15 31	25	SWINDON TOWN	15,304	10,563	Treacy 10, Peplow 7	
31	5	7	4	15 15	1	6	8	12 24	25	HUDDERSFIELD T.	12,840	7,608	Gowling 12	
31	2	6	6	26 25	1	3	13	12 45	19	BRIGHTON H.A.	18,699	15,326	Robertson 11, Murray 8, Beamish 6	

SEE YOU SUNDERLAND

Alan Garner heads the winner at Bolton in the fifth round of the F.A. Cup and brings about next Saturday's quarter-final tie at Sunderland. Picture: 'Luton News'



MEMORY MAN

Ted Duggan, the former London-born Luton striker, who says: "No-one was worth his salt in the attack if they did not get 20 goals a season in my day," put his boots finally on the shelf in the mid-50's.

Since then Ted, whose roots are now firmly embedded in Luton-life, has campaigned with one single soccer aim to get local youngsters more involved with the welfare of Kenilworth Road.

When his playing days came to a halt, Ted was happy to pass on the benefit and wisdom of his professional career through his responsibility as trainer-coach to the Youth squad for nearly ten years. Players of the calibre of Alan Slough and the Rioch brothers, Bruce and Neil, were among the novices of Ted's team who are now present-day senior professionals.

But time has spelt it out to the unlucky Duggan that there is room for improvement in the breeding, coaching and general guidance on a broad basis in Luton. "It's only a personal opinion of mine," he says. "But, as someone who has been through all aspects of soccer life, I find it disturbing that more locally-born players are not reaching the top.

"The local schools, as nurseries, play a very vital part in forming the make-up of any potential player. But I am sure they do not employ and impart the right technique, for many of the young lads whom I have watched have coaching method already implanted upon them and too often it is impossible to rub it off.

"There is too much of a rush on for them to hit the top. Although it does not appear to have done Alan Slough any harm, in my mind he was a 20-year-old professional player when he was only 15!

"Too many are stereotyped when they are 14. They are good for their age, but I do not believe they progress naturally and as quickly afterwards as they might if the coaching attitude was switched to expand a boy's individual talents. The priority should be in encouraging skill and leaving the method lessons until later in life."

Ted takes his football as seriously as ever. He still remains active and is engaged in putting his personal views into operation by coaching local junior



TED DUGGAN

sides. "It's hard work trying to re-condition many of the young lads into my way of thinking. If the local schools had a better understanding and would work closer with the town's League club, I am sure the percentage of qualified players from this area would go up."

Ted Duggan pulls no punches because football is still his first love in the sporting world, though it gave him more than his fair share of low blows from the time he first started with Luton 35 years ago to the month.

He was a super-keen 17-year-old professional in 1939 when the shutters came down on soccer in September as the country went to War. When the 'opening shortly' signs went up five years later, Ted Duggan was fighting to regain fitness after successive cartilage operations on the same knee. They ruined a possible England international career.

But Ted battled on to enjoy every minute, every kick of domestic duty with the Town, Queen's Park Rangers, Worcester City and Bedford Town

before the injury-jinx gave him the final knock-out when he broke his leg.

Had it not been for the conflict and the weeks on crutches, Ted Duggan would possibly have ranked alongside Billy Steel, Reg Lewis and many others who were rated the cream of English inside-forwards in his era.

"I was the first 15-year-old on the Luton groundstaff when Jimmy Thompson brought me to Kenilworth Road from a successful West Ham Schools XI who had won the English trophy in 1936. We had to thank the opposition that day, Preston, for considering one of their players too small to be included. The Preston 'Tom Thumb' turned out to be just one of the greatest players of all time . . . Tom Finney."

Ted had turned out only three or four times for Luton as a professional when he signed for the Army and the only course open to any footballer in those years was to snatch a game where it was possible. Eventually, Duggan was conscripted for Germany, where football came first and fighting a very poor second.

"In my last year abroad, I never did anything else. It provided me with some of my happiest memories from the game, because the Army was packed with professionals. There were about a hundred in our camp and, as you can guess, it was quite a team.

"There were eight internationals normally in the side and I was lucky enough to keep my place amongst them. Sides used to be flown over to provide entertainment for the troops and we were always too good for teams like Arsenal, West Ham United and Everton."

When he was free from the forces, Ted went straight into combat at Kenilworth Road but his second cartilage restricted his activity to less than double figures in the 1946-47 season.

Ted's career was crumbling around him at Luton, so he tried to pick up the threads again with Queen's Park Rangers, but nearly three seasons later, Duggan was on duty with Worcester City. "I never won a brass button for all my effort—but give me the chance again, and I would have no hesitation in making soccer my job for 30 years again.

SCORES

LIST ONE

Birmingham v Man Utd	A	
C Palace v Wolves	B	
Ipswich v Arsenal	C	
Leeds Utd v Everton	D	
Leicester v Derby	E	
Liverpool v Southampton	F	
Man City v Coventry	G	
Newcastle v Stoke	H	
Sheffield U v West Ham	K	
Tottenham v Norwich	L	
W. B. Albion v Chelsea	M	
Brighton v Huddersfield	N	

LIST TWO

Burnley v Sheffield Wed	A	
Fulham v Carlisle	B	
Middlesbrough v Cardiff	C	
Nottm Forest v Bristol C.	D	
Orient v Millwall	E	
Oxford v Blackpool	F	
Portsmouth v Hull	G	
Preston v Swindon	H	
QPR v Aston Villa	K	
Bournemouth v Notts Co.	L	
Bristol Rovers v Rotherham	M	
Charlton v Grimsby	N	

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- 6 JOHN MOORE
- 7 JIMMY RYAN
- 8 JOHN RYAN
- 9 VIV BUSBY
- 10 GORDON HINDSON
- 11 JOHN ASTON
- 12

Sunderland

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- 4 MICK HORSWILL
- 5 DAVE WATSON
- 6 RITCHIE PITT
- 7 BOBBY KERR
- 8 BILLY HUGHES
- 9 VIC HALOM
- 10 IAN PORTERFIELD
- 11 DENNIS TUEART
- 12

GOALSCORERS

LUTON TOWN	SUNDERLAND
HALF TIME	HALF TIME
FULL TIME	FULL TIME

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