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Brian Clough talking

For one member of Leeds United's staff, today is a very special day ... a day when memories of 14 years ago will come flooding back. No one was more pleased to see Luton Town back in Division One this season than our chief coach Syd Owen, who served Luton for 13 long years as player and manager, winning England international honours, the Footballer of the Year award and fame as one of the game's finest defenders. But for Billy Wright's predominance in England's team around the mid-fifties, Syd would have played many more games for his country than the three in which he did manage to displace Wright.

It is somewhat ironic that Syd Owen's and Luton Town's paths should cross again today. Cast your minds back to 1959 and the FA Cup Final with Luton Town going down 2-1 to Nottingham Forest. Syd, at the age of 37, played a memorable game—his last for the club. He had decided to retire from playing a year earlier but so highly thought of was he that the directors asked him to stay on for one more season. It was worth it ... Syd achieved his ambition to play at Wembley—he had waited long enough for it.

He was 13 years with Luton, during which time he made close on 500 Football League appearances. When he retired from playing he took over the managerial reins but resigned after a season to join Leeds as chief coach, bringing Les Cocker with him as trainer coach. Ironically, that was the last time Luton featured in Division One ...

relegated with them that season were Leeds United! Coaching raw talent and moulding it into First Division standard has always been Syd Owen's great love. Even as a player at Luton he used to spend four or five nights a week going into local schools to coach youngsters. To Syd, coaching is the most satisfying part about this game of ours—and he is undoubtedly one of the game's most brilliant, perceptive coaches as Leeds United's record over the last 14 years bears testimony to.

Today will be a special day for Syd because he has never lost touch with Luton Town. For the last 14 years, the local newspapers have been pushed through his letter box every week, keeping him in contact with all the news from Luton. Only three familiar faces remain at Kenilworth Road from Syd's days—secretary Bob Readhead, ticket office manager

John Wilkinson and that great servant of Luton football, the club's president Tom Hodgson.

No one is more pleased than Syd to see Luton back in Division One. Syd has not seen them play for two seasons, so today is bound to evoke fond memories for him. Every Saturday, one of the first results Syd has looked for over the years has been Luton's. He is hoping they will be able to consolidate a position in the First Division this season ... as we all are.

For me, too, it is nice to see Luton back in the top flight. Harry Haslam has been in this game for many years, at many levels and in many capacities. For him, it is justification of his ideals as a manager—he has always been a believer in bright, entertaining football. Harry was the man who discovered Malcolm MacDonald playing in the Southern League—Harry was then manager of

United boss Brian Clough in his role as TV panellist ... Wolves' Derek Dougan, another member of the ITV panel, looks on.



Referee Bob Matthewson makes a decision that is still being felt now ... he orders off Billy Bremner and Kevin Keegan in the FA Charity Shield.

Tonbridge—and converted him from an average defender into one of the game's most prolific marksmen.

Since taking over the managerial chair at Kenilworth Road he has done well and built a workmanlike side with few star names but with no mean ability. Today, I will be particularly interested to see Barry Butlin who is developing into a feared striker. I had Barry on my staff at Derby and he was unfortunate not to get a regular place because of the great form of Kevin Hector and John O'Hare. We sold him to Luton a couple of years ago and he has never looked back. Deadly in the air and very quick, Barry will prove a handful for many established First Division defenders this season.

Another familiar face today will be that of Cliff Notley's—who was with me at Derby for many years as a scout and my personal assistant. I'm as thrilled for him as for anyone that Luton are in Division One. He works tremendously hard and is

supremely loyal. Derby County are feeling the benefit now of his scouting ability—they owe the signings of quite a few of their players entirely to Cliff. He is one of that band of backroom boys in the game—men you never read about but who are absolutely vital to any club.

Which brings me to a topic I have not publicly discussed before but which, I am sure, grieves every fan of Leeds United as much as me. By now we've all had ample time to digest the full meaning and weight of Billy Bremner's latest suspension as a result of his sending off in the FA Charity Shield game at Wembley a week before the season started.

Billy Bremner played in our first game of the season at Stoke City ... his next appearance in our colours will be in the European Cup in Zurich on October 2. That means Billy Bremner is missing 11 games at a stage when it is so important to lay down foundations for what remains of this long, gruelling English season. Eleven

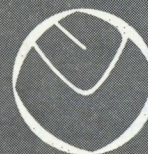
games ... League games, League Cup games, a European Cup tie. Every one of those games is vital to Leeds United.

September is a particularly gruelling month for us ... we have another six games to play apart from today's. Undoubtedly we will miss him. What team wouldn't miss Billy Bremner—a living legend and a player who will go in the annals of the game as one of the greatest ever.

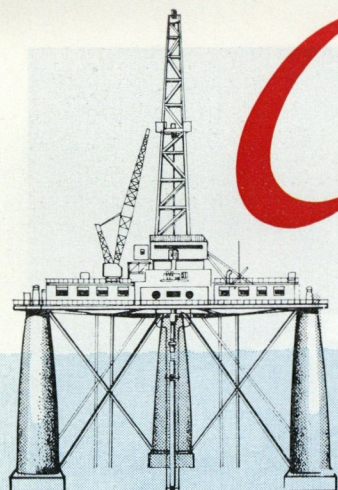
If I had to pick any member of the first team squad here at Leeds to miss games through suspension, the last name on the list—and even then it would be way behind the rest—is Billy Bremner's. I cannot think of any other player in the club we could possibly miss more than we are, and will be, missing Billy.

I cannot wait for October when I will again be able to write his name on our team sheet before anyone else's. To Leeds United, Billy Bremner is as priceless as a work of art. I hope the next month passes very quickly.

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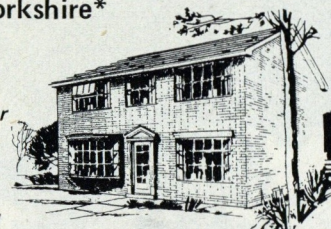
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JOHN O'HARE

The television was switched on, everyone was relaxing after a light meal. John O'Hare and John McGovern were sitting back in the plush comfort of a Derby hotel waiting for the coach to arrive to take them and the rest of Derby's reserve team to Aston Villa for a Central League match. Then, in one of those moments the pair had experienced before, Derby manager Dave Mackay walked in and told them they were wanted . . . not for first team duty at Derby but by the Football League Champions.

"We were stunned for a moment," says O'Hare. "But then, what player wouldn't be? When you hear that the League Champions want to sign you and when those League Champions are Leeds United you don't stop to think." Once again, Brian Clough had changed the lives of two players who have been key parts of the teams the United manager has managerially moulded over the last decade.

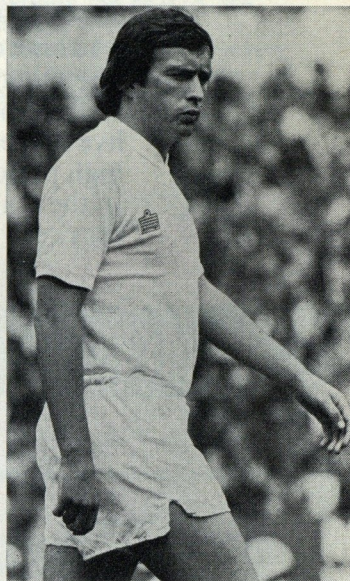
For John O'Hare, the chance to become a First Division star once more was particularly elating. His future looked, to say the least, dim at Derby. With Roy McFarland, he was the player Brian Clough had repeatedly said any manager could build a team round during Clough's years at the Baseball ground. Those words seemed very far away last season. With Clough gone and Mackay—a former playing colleague—in control, O'Hare's first team opportunities were few.

It was last December when the striker built like a human battering ram last made a First Division appearance for Derby. He missed

the next three months of that season with an ankle injury and, when fit again, merely managed a handful of reserve games towards the season's end. O'Hare, winner of 13 caps for Scotland, winner of a Second Division Championship medal and a First Division Championship medal had become a forgotten man.

Mackay preferred the more unpredictable skills of Roger Davies, had blooded the energy of Jeff Bourne . . . and then signed Francis Lee to supplement that forward line. In anyone's language, that meant a murky future for the Renton born Scot who had been synonymous with Derby's rise back to First Division power and nationwide fame under Clough.

"When Dave Mackay told myself and John McGovern that Leeds wanted us we were, to say the



least, surprised," says O'Hare. "We were both concerned about our futures—John was available for transfer and I was thinking about a new start elsewhere. I suppose it was more important for me to get back into a first team somewhere—after all, I'm 27, an age when you don't expect to to take a step up the ladder.

"We were absolutely delighted to be able to rejoin Brian Clough again—he'd done so much for our careers by taking us to Derby in the first place. I'd had six years at Sunderland before moving to the Baseball Ground and I don't think anyone could say I was what you would call a raging success there."

Ironically, it was the name of Brian Clough that haunted O'Hare at Roker Park. Clough had been the blockbusting centre forward with a unique ability to score goals at will. His scoring record will never be matched in the future. O'Hare was not a Brian Clough. He was a man to mould together a forward line—not to score hatfuls of goals. That just wasn't his style. But the Roker fans had been fed on Clough's goals and for a long time expected anyone who wore that red and white striped number nine shirt to do the same.

Clough paid £22,000 for O'Hare seven years ago—"One of my biggest bargains," says the United boss—and in a new environment at a club desperate for success O'Hare blossomed. Alongside him, the Leeds born Kevin Hector scored the goals—O'Hare was the chunky number nine who made a great many of those goals possible with his fearless probing and uncanny ability to shield the ball so that no one could take it away from him.

The skills of John O'Hare were never more obvious to the soccer watching public than the day Derby beat Spurs 5-0 in their First season back in Division One and Mike England was given a footballing lesson by the Scot.

"I've never been a big scorer," says O'Hare, "although I've usually managed 12 or 14 every season. I've always seen my role as winning the ball or controlling it and making room for the others to get it in the back of the net. I hope people in Leeds don't expect me to be an Allan Clarke or a Jimmy Greaves—I already know that Leeds play just the right sort of game to suit me. Leeds United, to me, have always

been the best in the country—now I'm playing with them I realise just how good they are. Really, it's just the sort of set up to suit me. There's Allan Clarke playing alongside me exploiting all the space and I've had a fabulous service so far from Johnny Giles and Peter Lorimer. In fact, when you get a good service from people like them it makes it that bit more easy."

"At 27, this is a great chance for me . . . it's given me a new lease of life. There's a big pool of players here and this can only act as a spur to the men in possession. At Derby for the first few years I was a pretty automatic choice . . . here, that certainly won't be the case."

O'Hare, now busy house hunting in Leeds with his wife and four children, has found once again that Brian Clough has had a big effect on him. Already, Leeds fans are liking what they see about the Scot. Brian Clough knows he will be a big asset. "Every side needs a John O'Hare. He's a proven First Division player and one with plenty of miles left in him. He's just the sort of player we need here with such a massive fixture list."

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Eight pages of news, views, features, pictures and statistics for today's game against Luton.

On the next three pages, Jack Rollin gives a run down on the names and faces of the First Division newcomers; your teams and officials are on page 12; half time score-check, match ball donor and what happened last time we met on page 13; and on pages 14 and 15, Luton manager Harry Haslam writes just for you in an exclusive article.

Check up United's scorers and attendances on page 16.

Hats off to Harry's Hatters

The way of football is strange in many different facets of the game and Luton Town's reappearance as a First Division side at Elland Road recalls an unusual experience of one and a half decades ago.

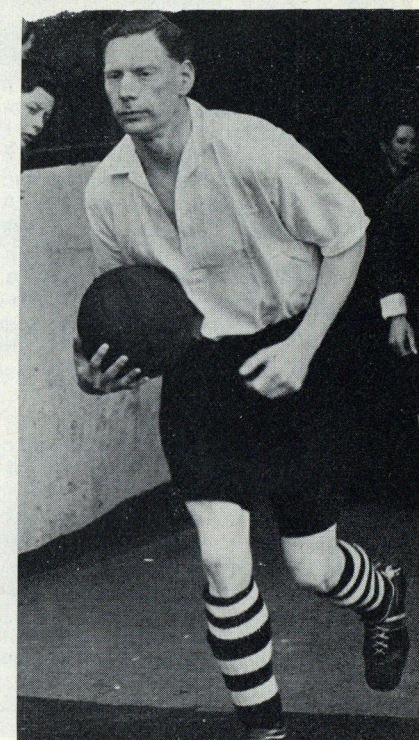
It was at the end of the 1959-60 season that Luton lost their status as a First Division side. They finished bottom of the table and went down with . . . Leeds. But while for Leeds it was the start of a climb back which was to eventually launch them into their greatest era as a Football League club, for Luton it was a much less successful period.

They managed to finish one place higher than Leeds in 1960-61 in the Second Division just under the half-way mark and well above them the following season when Leeds were not too far removed from relegation to Division Three. But in 1962-63, it was Luton who plunged into the Third Division while United finished in fifth place.

A season later and Leeds were Second Division Champions while Luton were seventh from the bottom in the division below them. Then in 1964-65 Leeds were runners-up to the Football League Champions Manchester United and have never looked back since. Luton were sinking nearer to Division Four at the time and in fact when Leeds were celebrating second place in the First Division, Luton were relegated. Luton spent three seasons in the Fourth Division before they won the division in 1967-68. In two seasons they were out of the Third and have now regained senior status once more after promotion last season from Division Two.

Leeds have many connections with Luton in other ways, not the least in the fact that Elland Road coach Syd Owen was a stalwart centre-half for the club, played in their F.A. Cup team at Wembley in 1959 and then became their Manager. And today they have a centre-half on their staff who was previously with Leeds United in **John Faulkner**, who came to Elland Road from the southern

A familiar face for Luton Town fans . . . former Luton captain and manager Syd Owen leads Luton out at Kenilworth Road. For the last 14 years he has been United's Chief Coach.



United Luton

ALL WHITE

- 1 David Harvey
- 2 Paul Reaney
- 3 Trevor Cherry
- 4 John McGovern
- 5 Gordon McQueen
- 6 Norman Hunter
- 7 Peter Lorimer
- 8 Allan Clarke
- 9 John O'Hare
- 10 Johnny Giles
- 11 Paul Madeley
- Sub

ORANGE, WHITE AND BLUE

- 1 Keith Barber
- 2 Don Shanks
- 3 Bobby Thomson
- 4 Peter Anderson
- 5 John Faulkner
- 6 John Ryan
- 7 Gordon Hindson
- 8 Jimmy Husband
- 9 Barry Butlin
- 10 Alan West
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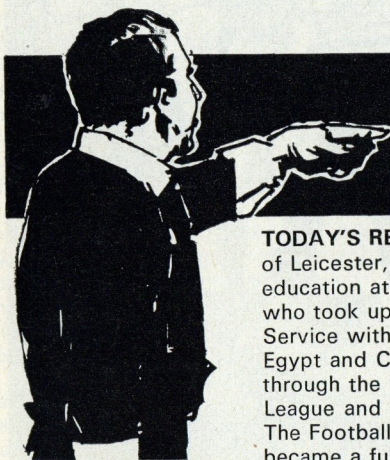
Referee :

John Hunting, Leicester

Linesmen :

N. Hayes, Atherton
(Red Flag)

D. Owen, Wirral
(Yellow Flag)



TODAY'S REFEREE, John Hunting, of Leicester, is a lecturer in physical education at Leicester Polytechnic who took up refereeing during National Service with the Royal Signals in Egypt and Cyprus. He progressed through the Leicestershire Senior League and Football Combination to The Football League line in 1966 and became a full referee two years later.

He was promoted to the F.I.F.A. panel of referees last season.

He has taken charge of many leading domestic and continental matches and officiated in European tournaments. Married with three children, he plays squash and badminton and represents Leicester Polytechnic in local leagues.

Last time we met

Don Weston celebrated his return to the Leeds United side after missing four matches with a stomach muscle strain, by scoring a goal in a 3—0 success the last time Luton Town played here in a League match. That was way back in May 1963 when United were fighting hard for promotion to the First Division and Luton were within a couple of matches of dropping down to the Third Division.

Putting the clock back to that May afternoon of 1963 will doubtless bring back memories for many United fans. A crowd of 23,781 saw United triumph. That old favourite, **Jim Storr**, was the man who set United on the road to victory with a brilliant goal after only seven minutes play. Weston slipped the ball to Henderson and Bobby Collins took the winger's pass cleverly to flick the ball on for Storr to run through and blast a low shot into the net with his deadly left foot.

Their extra pace was telling and Henderson's centres carried menace to the Luton defence but United had nothing further to show for their efforts in the first half. It seemed at times as though United were far more bothered by promotion worries than Luton were by thoughts of dropping into the Third Division. But they began the second half in determined fashion and help came when they least expected it.

Baynham, probably hampered by his own defence, dropped the ball and Weston pounced like a panther to drive into the empty net in the 56th minute. Then, with a minute to go, **Storr** got his second goal of the game and his 23rd Second Division score of the season to make it 3—0.

Teams : **Leeds United** — Sprake, Reaney, Hair, Bell, Charlton, Hunter, Henderson, Weston, Storr, Collins, Johanneson.

Luton Town — Baynham, Daniel, Bramwell, Morton, Kelly, Lownds, Clapton, Brennan, Davies, McGuffie, Lornie.

Referee — V. J. Batty (Helsby, Cheshire).

Half time scores

A	Arsenal v. Burnley
B	Carlisle v. Stoke City
C	Coventry v. Man. City
D	Derby v. Newcastle U.
E	Ipswich v. Everton
F	Liverpool v. Spurs
G	Middlesbrough v. Chelsea
H	Q.P.R. v. Birmingham C.
J	West Ham v. Sheffield U.
K	Wolves v. Leicester C.
L	Aston Villa v. Orient
M	Blackpool v. Millwall
N	Bristol C. v. Bolton
P	Fulham v. York City
Q	Hull C. v. York C.
R	Man. U. v. Notts. Forest
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To hear most people talk, it wasn't worth our while even bothering to kick a ball in the First Division this season. Middlesbrough would do well because after all, hadn't they romped away with the Second Division? And Carlisle's team spirit would probably see them to safety. Luton Town? Well, as far as most people were concerned, we are doomed to a speedy return to Division Two.

After all, they said, Luton have only three players with well known names—Bobby Thomson, John Aston and Jimmy Husband. And how can they compete with a small ground like theirs? That was what we in Luton were fed on through most of the summer. As the new season approached, the critics took up their cudgels and rained most of their blows on us. At the same time they were tipping at least half a dozen sides to win the First Division this season. Surely, within all that, there is a place for Luton Town. We certainly think so.

In fact all that pre-season criticism has not had the deflating effect the critics might have hoped for. It's given us a bit more push, made us even more determined to prove that Luton Town can hold their own in the world's most competitive league. We certainly think that the whole aura of life at the very top is something that can only make us improve. The main thing to strike the players in these early days of the new season is the great atmosphere on every ground. Everywhere we play we find things extremely well organised.

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There are no easy sides... so every point we gain is gained on merit.

Luton's players know they have a big job on their hands this year. This is football with a difference for most of them. The marking is tighter so our forwards are realising that the day of open goals has gone and that even the half chances must be put away. Our defenders have learned that no longer can they let the ball bounce before controlling and playing it. The longer you keep possession in Division One, the longer you are in the game.

We've had an encouraging start... playing very well but unfortunately losing to Liverpool in our opening game then recently taking a hard earned point from Middlesbrough. The players have already begun to assess themselves in a new light... to talk even more about the game. Every team that enters the First Division has to change something to keep up the success story—we are no exception. At the moment, because of our size, we're still a family club—but I remember that Leeds United were once a closely knit family club too and look what's happened to them.

I believe that Luton can be successful but it's not going to be easy. I have 100 per cent faith in my players but the one thing that keeps them that way is their knowledge that I'm always on the look-out for even better players—just as any manager, whether at Leeds or Liverpool, is.

It seems to me that everything is right for success at Kenilworth Road. The club want more

success, the fans want to keep seeing the cream of English football. Success in our terms this season will be to stay in the First Division. Anything else we achieve will be a bonus.

That's why we felt all that pre-season criticism was unjust and lacked appreciation of our situation. Once it was Leeds who took that sort of criticism... then it was Ipswich. The critics have become so blinded by what they have seen in the season before that they fail to set it against what can be done at an even higher level.

There were even some people writing off our chances for this season who had not even seen us play a game in the Second Division last year! One national newspaper in particular levelled its critical sights at us... but then that paper is always full of bores anyway! We're not anyone's favourites to win anything this year—except the fans who pack into Kenilworth Road every week, and they're the most important people. Alright, we admit we don't have the experience of the Leeds and Liverpools—but then what promoted side has?

What we do possess is a priceless quality, an excellent spirit running throughout the club from top to bottom—and these days, team spirit is a vitally important factor. No matter what setbacks we take, the players will still hold up their heads and get on with the job. Only when footballers become complacent do things start to go wrong. We have a workmanlike team full of the right qualities—as you'll see.

How can anyone suggest that we should "play it safe" this season? You might string nine defenders across the pitch for 89 minutes in every match then concede a goal in the last minute and still lose. No, that's not my way. The fans want to see entertaining football, and I've always believed in attacking if it's done with reason behind it. It's also true that apart from Thomson, Aston and Husband we don't bristle with household names—but the players you probably don't know anything about now are determined that they, too, will be nationwide stars this time next year.

What we are experiencing now is strange for most of the players—but is the situation any different at Leeds where the players are having to start afresh under a new manager? Our aim is to entertain at the same time

as bring home the points. Over the last two or three seasons, we have been one of the game's most adventurous sides. The players now believe that attack is far better than defence—and when that belief is instilled, your battle is half over.

And what about those who say we're not big enough for Division One? Well, Kenilworth Road, isn't the country's biggest stadium—but we are more or less assured of average attendances of 25,000 this season and that will mean the ground is well filled every week. Not many other First Division managers can say the same about their ground. But this obsession with Luton as a "little" club is symptomatic of the way people evaluate football these days. I mean, if size was to be a prime factor then Billy Bremner and Johnny

Giles should never have played in the First Division.

The ball we play with is the same size, our goals are the same size and the pitch is regulation size. So where's the difference... except that when people take throw-ins they will feel the crowd breathing down their necks. No, every team to visit Luton this season will be pleasantly surprised at our set-up... and the way we play this game.

I've said that I believe in entertaining football—I also believe that every other facet of football should be just right.

To get to the position of being right we must use Leeds United as a good example by improving yearly ground-wise and team-wise, but at the same time retain a family atmosphere.

Harry Haslam



Back Row — from left to right: Maitland Pollock Peter Anderson John Fyan Paul Fletcher Paul Price Jimmy Husband.
 Middle Row: Bobby Thomson John Faulkner Keith Barber Graham Horn Barry Butlin Alan Garner Steve Litt.
 Front Row: Reg Game (Physiotherapist) Brian Chambers Alan West Harry Haslam (Manager) Gordon Hindson Jimmy Ryan Roy McCrohan (Chief Coach).

Who We Play

Date	Opponent	G. Result	Date	Opponent	G. Result	Date	Opponent	G. Result
AUGUST 1974		F A	NOVEMBER		F A	FEBRUARY		F A
Sat 17	STOKE CITY	H 1—3	Sat 2	DERBY COUNTY	A	Sat 1	COVENTRY CITY	A
Sat 24	MANCHESTER CITY	A 1—0	Sat 9	COVENTRY CITY	H	Sat 8	DERBY COUNTY	H
Tues 27	EVERTON	A 0—2	Sat 16	SHEFFIELD W.	A	Sat 15	LIVERPOOL	A
Sat 31	BOLTON WANDERERS	H 3—4	Sat 23	LIVERPOOL	H	Sat 22	SHEFFIELD W.	H
			Sat 30	BLACKPOOL	A			
SEPTEMBER			DECEMBER			MARCH		
Wed 4	BLACKBURN ROVERS	H 3—0	Sat 7	BURNLEY	H	Sat 1	BOLTON WANDERERS	A
Sat 7	NOTTINGHAM FOREST	A	Sat 14	STOKE CITY	A	Sat 8	NOTTINGHAM FOREST	H
Sat 14	EVERTON	A	Sat 21	PRESTON N.E.	H	Sat 15	PRESTON N.E.	A
Wed 18	BLACKBURN ROVERS	A	Thur 26	NEWCASTLE UNITED	A	Sat 22	HUDDERSFIELD TOWN	H
Sat 21	HUDDERSFIELD TOWN	A	Sat 28	SHEFFIELD UNITED	H	Fri 28	SHEFFIELD UNITED	A
Sat 28	WEST BROMWICH A.	H				Sat 29	WEST BROMWICH A.	A
OCTOBER			JANUARY 1975			APRIL		
Sat 5	BURY	A	Sat 11	BURNLEY	A	Sat 5	MANCHESTER UNITED	A
Sat 12	MANCHESTER UNITED	H	Sat 18	BLACKPOOL	H	Sat 12	BURY	H
Sat 19	ASTON VILLA	A	Sat 25	MANCHESTER CITY	H	Wed 16	NEWCASTLE UNITED	H
Sat 26	WOLVERHAMPTON W.	H				Sat 19	WOLVERHAMPTON W.	A
						Sat 26	ASTON VILLA	H

	HOME						AWAY						Pts.
	Goals						Goals						
	P	W	D	L	F	A	W	D	L	F	A		
Liverpool	5	2	0	0	4	1	2	1	0	5	1	9	
Ipswich Town	5	2	0	0	5	0	2	0	1	3	3	8	
Everton	5	2	1	0	4	2	1	1	0	4	3	8	
Manchester C.	5	3	0	0	7	1	1	0	1	2	5	8	
Carlisle	5	1	0	1	1	1	2	1	0	5	1	7	
Stoke City	5	1	2	0	5	2	1	0	1	2	2	6	
Middlesbrough	5	0	1	1	1	3	2	1	0	5	1	6	
Wolves	5	1	1	0	4	2	1	1	1	3	4	6	
Sheffield U.	5	2	1	0	6	3	0	1	1	2	4	6	
Derby County	5	1	1	0	3	1	0	2	1	1	3	5	
Newcastle U.	5	2	1	0	7	4	0	0	2	3	6	5	
Queens Park	5	0	1	2	3	8	2	0	0	5	2	5	
Chelsea	5	0	1	2	3	8	2	0	0	5	2	5	
Arsenal	5	1	0	1	4	1	1	0	2	2	5	4	
Leicester C.	5	0	2	1	2	3	1	0	1	5	5	4	
Burnley	5	1	0	2	5	4	0	1	1	3	5	3	
Luton Town	5	0	2	1	2	3	0	1	1	1	3	3	
West Ham	5	1	0	1	4	3	0	1	2	0	6	3	
Leeds United	5	1	0	1	1	1	0	1	2	2	6	3	
Tottenham	5	1	0	2	3	3	0	0	2	0	2	2	
Birmingham	5	0	1	2	4	8	0	1	1	1	2	2	
Coventry C.	5	0	1	1	2	4	0	1	2	3	7	2	

Top Ten

HOME		AWAY	
Liverpool	45,924	Leicester City	38,680
Everton	40,149	Arsenal	32,307
Newcastle United	33,682	Leeds United	32,139
Manchester City	33,236	Wolverhampton	32,126
Chelsea	31,491	Liverpool	31,341
Birmingham City	31,255	Sheffield United	28,709
Leeds United	31,159	Stoke City	28,467
Arsenal	29,085	Birmingham City	27,419
Wolverhampton	28,513	Derby County	27,183
Stoke City	28,204	Carlisle United	26,882

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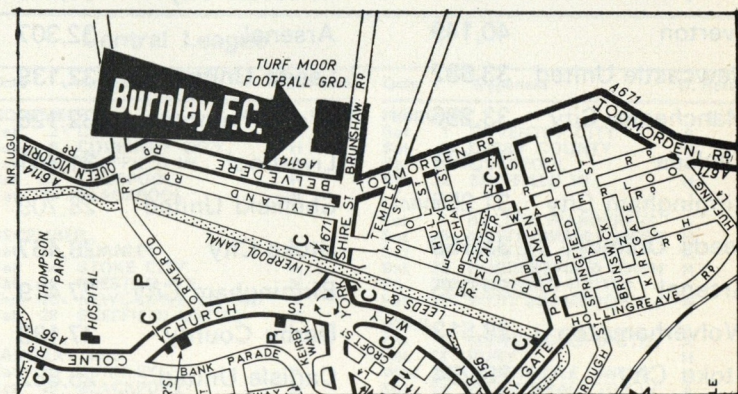
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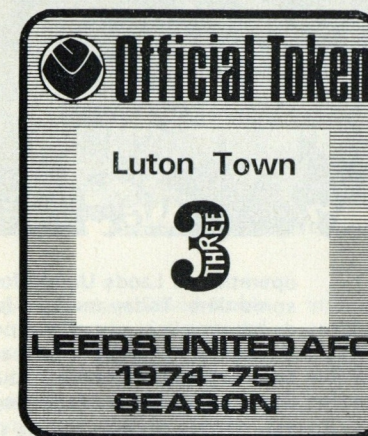
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A Football Association working party recommends all major English football grounds should have moats or fencing to keep the spectators off the pitch... **action**—Stoke City dig a moat, Manchester United enforcedly erect chain link fencing.

The Minister for Sport, after meeting top FA and Football League officials recently, suggested an identification card system for the fans and that all clubs should segregate home and visiting supporters... **action**—this latest "summit" suggestion has caused each and every club to seriously consider the whole question of football hooliganism in the light of this season's deplorable—and tragic—new outbreaks.

But what is the answer to football ground hooliganism? The answer to that is that there is no glib and easy answer. It is very easy for football to say that this is a social, rather than soccer problem. To say that the answer lies in the courts rather than in what football itself can do.

As yet, the answer has not been found. We believe the answer could lie in the stringent and exhaustive measures taken by Leeds over the past few years.

It is fair to say that Leeds United do not have a particular hooliganism problem. Whether that

is because our supporters are more responsible or because of the measures we have taken in consultation with the police authorities—or a combination of both—is an intangible. Suffice to say that Elland Road is not a haven for hooliganism.

Mr. Denis Howell, the Minister for Sport, outlined, as one of his recent suggestions, a system of spectator segregation at all grounds. This system has been in

operation at Leeds United for some time. Today marks a further development in our crowd control measures. A barrier fence has been erected in the new South Stand to assist in this segregation.

This afternoon, most Leeds United supporters will occupy the Kop end of the ground. Luton Town fans will find themselves in the South Stand—and even then, segregated within the precincts of that stand.

Is this the face of English soccer in 1974? A policeman holds up an axe confiscated from a "supporter" before the opening game of the season at Millwall this year.



Another sight no one wants to see on English grounds. A thin blue line of police try to clear Manchester United's Old Trafford pitch at the end of last season.

Chief Superintendent David Noble is responsible for the policing and crowd control arrangements taken by United. "Elland Road is already a segregated ground," he says.

"There are three seating stands, two stands for standing only supporters. Before every game at Elland Road we contact visiting supporters and the police in those towns and cities outlining where coach parks are to be found, giving them a plan of the ground and suggesting that visiting supporters use the South Stand.

"We have extra patrols in the city centre and on the roads to the ground. We have men detailed for traffic duty as well as a mounted detachment and dog handlers.

"Experience has proved that acts of vandalism and hooliganism only take place where large crowds congregate—seldom do individuals cause trouble. So it is always our aim to break up large groups of fans on their way to the ground to ensure that the possibility of vandalism is minimised.

"Inside the ground, officers patrol the perimeter of the pitch and mingle with fans inside the stands and in the toilet and refreshment areas. We have VHF contact with every officer—and we have our detention room where charges are accepted and offenders detained

until after the game. We have a control vehicle at the junction of Elland Road and Lowfields Road which retains contact with every policeman on duty in the area."

Since the announcement of the Minister for Sport's findings on his recent visit to Blackpool, Mr. Noble has prepared a report which has been forwarded to the Chief Constable of the new Metropolitan authority. "Quite a number of suggestions contained in Mr. Howell's report are already in operation at Leeds United," says Mr. Noble. "We already partition the fans and agree this should be done elsewhere. It is my personal opinion that the incidence of hooliganism would be greatly reduced if every ground was

seating only.

"This is not a violent country—yet we have outbreaks of hooliganism at football matches. America, which people say is more violent, does not seem to have a similar problem at baseball and football grounds. Surely the main answer is because all American sports grounds contain only seats.

"But only two or three per cent of football supporters are hooligans. The majority are law abiding citizens who merely want an afternoon's entertainment.

Says United Ground Chairman Mr. Bob Roberts: "In my opinion, an identification card system for the supporters would be impossible to administrate. We feel that because of our close co-operation with the police authorities we have evolved a highly successful method of crowd control at Elland Road over the years. Surely a better method than identification cards would be for a policeman to stand at every turnstile and scrutinise every fan.

The results of Mr. Howell's "Blackpool Plan" will show in the imminent future. Whatever the outcome, Leeds United will carefully consider any suggestions they feel can improve the existing situation at Elland Road.

Police bring down a "fan" at last season's Newcastle—Forest FA Cup tie at St. James Park.





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