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# HARRY HASLAM



THERE'S NOTHING like a big cup game to set the air tingling in a football club and we've certainly noticed it at Kenilworth Road ever since the draw gave us tonight's home match with Manchester City.

Our major priority is to do well in the league, but we all like the big-time atmosphere that a cup-tie generates. And I know that all of us in the ground tonight are hoping for something special from this game.

It's a pleasure to welcome City. They're one of the clubs I have a special feeling for. When I was a lad I lived near their ground and used to support them. Then, as a young footballer, I went and joined Manchester United, and the neighbours didn't half give me some stick for that!

You have to know a place like Manchester to understand the rivalry that exists between City and United, but one thing's for sure — they give real solid support to their team.

I know that a lot of City fans have made the effort to come to Luton tonight, and I hope they all enjoy their visit. We welcome their team, and the opportunity tonight's match gives us to compare ourselves with a top First Division outfit.

As I've already said, league games are really the most important part of a club's operations, but the chance for a cup run is always more than welcome. We're hoping that we can get back into the First Division next season and whatever tonight's result I shall be looking for signs that little Luton Town is capable of living with the glamour clubs.

By the time you read this you will know how we fared at Blackpool on Saturday. This seems to be our "Lancashire Week", because after taking on Manchester City tonight we head back up the M6 on Saturday to play Bolton.

One thing is sure: if we can continue to play the sort of soccer produced at our last home game, against Fulham, we must be in with a good chance of promotion.

It's a long time since we have seen two teams combine to put on such a game. I was proud of the football we played, but Fulham deserve some credit for making it an open and entertaining game.

Usually, when we play like we did then, I expect to see a stack of goals. But I couldn't complain when only John Faulkner's went in. I thought the Fulham goalkeeper had a great game, and as it turned out the one-goal lead meant that Fulham were always in with a chance of coming back, and that helped to keep the game exciting right to the last whistle.

That must be good for football and for supporters, and I hope that we see as close a game tonight. I'll be even more pleased if the result is the same, although the lads tell me that John Faulkner isn't taking too many bets on scoring the winner again!

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# WELCOME



# MAN.CITY

**JOE CORRIGAN** Was spotted in 1965, after playing in Club trials, Joe turned professional in January 1967. Joe soon established himself in the first team, and has received international recognition at full and Under-23 levels for England. City's "Player of the Year" 1976.

**KEITH MACRAE** Born in Glasgow, Keith was signed in October 1973 from Motherwell for a fee of £100,000 and made his debut at Sheffield United that month. A Scottish Under-23 international, Keith is a brave and capable goalkeeper.

**KENNY CLEMENTS** Kenny joined the professional ranks in July 1975 after having worked on the Club's groundstaff and playing with the Club as an amateur for three seasons. Graduated through the junior ranks to a regular first team place.

**WILLIE DONACHIE** Born in Glasgow, Willie joined City as an amateur in October 1968, signing professional in December of the same year. A Scottish international, Willie played an important part in Scotland's winning the 1976 Home International Championship.

**MIKE DOYLE** Club Captain, Mike was born in Manchester, and started with City as an apprentice in May 1962, after being spotted playing with Stockport Boys. He signed professional in May 1964. An Under-23

and full international for England, Mike was voted as City's "Player of the Season" in 1972 and 1974.

**DAVE WATSON** Dave joined City from Sunderland in a deal which took Jeff Clarke to Roker Park, with a cheque for £200,000 being the cash adjustment made to Sunderland, in June 1975. Dave is England's regular centre-half, and was born in Nottingham. Voted City's "Player of the Year" 1977.

**TOMMY BOOTH** Born in Manchester, he joined City as an amateur, then signed professional in August 1967. An Under-23 international; Tommy has also been in the full England squad. He also proved himself as a midfield player after serious injury to Colin Bell during the 1975/6 season.

**MIKE CHANNON** Mike signed for Southampton in 1964, making his debut two years later. He was the Club's leading goalscorer for many years, scoring over 150 league goals for the "Saints". A regular in the England side, Mike signed for City in July 1977 at a cost of £300,000.

**TONY HENRY** Born in Sunderland, Tony joined City as an apprentice in July 1974, and signed professional in December 1974. He plays in either midfield or the back four.



**ASA HARTFORD** Asa was signed from West Bromwich Albion for £200,000 in August 1974, making his debut that month v. West Ham. Born in Clydebank, he is a full Scottish international with a tremendous work-rate. The inspiration in City's midfield, Asa usually wears the 10 shirt.

**COLIN BELL** Colin joined his first Club, Bury, straight from school, and became their Captain at 19. He signed for City in March 1966, and became one of the most highly rated midfield players in the World, and a regular in the England team until his tragic injury in November 1975 that has kept him out of the game since.

**PAUL POWER** Paul signed professional for the Club in July 1975, after having been an amateur for the Club for three seasons whilst at University. Paul scored his first goal for the Club in a Derby County match in 1976.

**GERARD KEEGAN** Gerard signed apprentice for City in August 1971, and then professional in March 1973, and made his first team debut in the 1975/6 season. Gerard was born in Little Horton, Yorkshire. Another England Under-21 international.

**GARY OWEN** An England Under-21 international. Gary was born in St. Helens, and signed as an apprentice with City in July 1974, and one year later became a full-time professional. He scored his first goal for the Club against West Ham in October 1976.

**JIMMY CONWAY** Another midfield player, Jimmy is an Eire International with 20 full caps. He started his career with the Irish League side Bohemians before signing for Fulham over ten years ago. Jimmy joined City for £40,000 in the Summer of 1976.

**PETER BARNES** Born in Manchester, Peter signed apprentice for City in the Summer of 1972 and signed professional in July 1974. Peter is the son of Chief Scout and former player Ken Barnes, having worked his way through the junior ranks to the first team. An England Under-21 international.

**BRIAN KIDD** Brian signed from Arsenal in the Summer of 1976 for £100,000. He played for Manchester United in the European Cup Final in 1968, scoring one of United's four goals against Benfica. Now settled into the side, Brian scored 21 goals in 39 league games in season 1976-77.

**JOE ROYLE** Joe was signed on Christmas Eve 1974 from Everton for a fee of £160,000. He made his debut at Liverpool on Boxing Day. An England international, Joe's main contribution to City's attack is his strength as a target man.

**DENNIS TUEART** Dennis started his career with Sunderland and signed for City in March 1974, in a deal worth £275,000. Dennis obtained his first England international cap against Northern Ireland in Belfast in 1975.



Left to right:

Back Row: Colin Bell, Joe Royle, Joe Corrigan, Keith Macrae  
Dave Watson, Tommy Booth.

Middle Row: Gerard Keegan, Jim Conway, Willie Donachie, Paul Power,  
Tony Henry, Kenny Clements.

Front Row: Gary Owen, Peter Barnes, Brian Kidd, Mike Doyle,  
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# LUTON LATEST

THIS EVENING we welcome the Directors, Manager, Officials, Players and Supporters of Manchester City who have made such a significant impression on the First Division this season. Their star-studded line up and their reputation for attractive, attacking football will ensure the best gate at Kenilworth Road this season to date. We all hope that the game will be an exciting and memorable one and that many from our own locality who have been lured away from their television sets by the appeal of Manchester City will discover that the Luton team is also capable of some scintillating football. This fact was amply demonstrated during the match with Fulham when the lads won rave notices from T.V. and Press reporters alike. The contribution made by Fulham to this feast of entertainment should not be overlooked and they are to be congratulated upon their refreshing refusal to pull all their players back in the face of some overpowering onslaughts. It is worth noting that the fact that they never stopped looking for goals could well have resulted in them sharing the points even though this would have been regarded by most as a travesty of justice.

WE ARE also very pleased to welcome the Base Commander of RAF Chicksands, Colonel Ernst who, with Colonel Watts and Colonel Sullivan are the guests of the Club tonight to commemorate the sponsorship of this match by the newly formed 'Chicksands Bobbers Club'. Those who sit in the Bobbers Stand will, we are sure, remember the 'Mad Yank', Sgt. Ron Kabza, who returned to the United States during the close season. Apparently the United States Government thought that seven years fanatical support of the 'Hatters' was sufficient for any serviceman and that his talents could be used to launch American soccer into the world arena. To most of us Ron was Chicksands and although we knew that an ever increasing number of his colleagues were beating the trail to Kenilworth Road we seldom had the opportunity of meeting them. Now, following his

departure, a Committee has been formed consisting of President Larry McManus, Secretary John Townsend, George Steenburgh, Bob Reath, Wayne Tallant and Jeffrey Gum, and, as a result of their enterprise and hard work the membership of the Chicksands Bobbers Club has risen quickly to over one hundred and sixty. Their duties prevent all of them from attending every match but today they will be bringing over 200 and we are delighted to take this opportunity of thanking them for their support, past, present and future and we hope that their Club will go from strength to strength. Incidentally Ron Kabza has announced his intention of returning to Luton with his wife Cathy, whose family live in the town and those who know him are under no illusions that this is no idle threat!

WE HAVE been taken to task for the number of references to the sixteen year old apprentices who regularly feature in our Football Combination Reports. All of these lads were sixteen when the season commenced but we have inadvertently overlooked the fact that three of them have celebrated birthdays during the last couple of months. Our two schoolboy international full backs reached the age of seventeen within a week of each other, Alan Currie on the 15th, and Gary Sisman on the 21st of September whilst our tenacious defender Les Harriott who seems to improve with every game was seventeen on the 17th October. There are, however a further six apprentices whose birthdays we shall endeavour to remember as the season progresses. Before leaving the subject we would like to congratulate Godfrey Ingram who has recently returned from England Under 18 duty in Las Palmas, upon his 18th birthday which is tomorrow.

A FEW weeks ago some of our senior stewards enquired into the possibility of sponsoring the match ball for tonight's game and we said that we would be delighted to accommodate them. Mike Williams took

up a collection and within a very short time had sufficient funds to meet their objective. Not only because of their generosity but also because of the excellent work which they put in (and long hours in many cases) we would like to mention them individually for once. It would need a brave man to attempt to assess the combined number of years of service that the following lady and gentlemen had given to the Club and in many cases this is probably the first time that they have been accorded a mention. So here goes, in alphabetical order: George Anderson, Don Bardon, Chris Barlow, George Barrett, Stuart Beck, Florence Cheney, Ken Emerton, Taffy Ellis, Ken Halsey, Fred Hayward, Alan Renshaw, Roy Skelton, Frank Sumner, Bill Sutton, Eric Weekes and Mike Williams. Also included on the list of contributors is Jenny Dove who we mentioned in our last programme for her work with the Away Travel Supporters. Although Jennie does not work at the Club on match days like the other sponsors she is very much part of the scene and we commend her for joining in on this occasion.

## KENILWORTH CLUB

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## ACTION PICTURE QUIZ

THE RESPONSE to the above quiz which was included in our Millwall Programme was most gratifying and Brian Swain, Sports Editor of the Luton News and Doug Lygo, the Programme Editor enjoyed sifting through your replies. Some entries failed on only one part of a question and therefore did not qualify for the draw. Others gave us all correct answers and supplied us with a

surprising amount of detail about the goals and matches. One correspondent gave the officially correct answer to part two of Question two but reminded us of a fact which we and everyone else had overlooked — John Faulkner's last goal for Luton prior to the Arsenal game was in New Zealand during the Summer Tour.

Here then are the answers followed by the names of the three lucky winners.

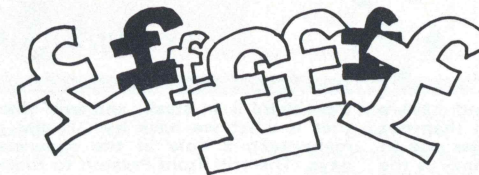
1. (a) Charlton (b) Four goals in 1st class match for the first time (c) 13 goals.
2. (a) John Faulkner (b) Arsenal (c) Jan 17th. 1976 v. Portsmouth (or v. New Zealand XI Summer 1977).
3. (a) Ricky Hill (b) Sept 3rd. 1977 (c) Charlton (d) Scored on his debut v. Bristol Rovers April 19th. 1976 (whilst still an apprentice).

The following were the first three all-correct entries selected out of the straw hat by Harry Haslam.

1. Anthony Barber, 24, Swifts Green Close, Stopsley.
2. Miss J. Bandy, 12, Millfield Road, Luton.
3. B.R.W. Tomalin, 109, Chestnut Lane, Amersham, Bucks.

Mr Barber has requested tickets for Hull City as his prize and Mr. Tomalin will also receive two for the same match. Miss Bandy did not give an indication of her preference so we await her instructions. Congratulations to the three winners and our commiserations to those whose all-correct entries did not succeed in the lottery — Better luck next time!

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# PLAYER PROFILE



**FULL NAME:** Paul Futcher  
**HEIGHT:** 6ft  
**WEIGHT:** 11st. 12lbs  
**BIRTHPLACE:** Chester  
**BIRTHDAY:** 25 September  
**STAR SIGN:** Libra  
**SIGNED FOR LUTON:** June 1974  
**LEAGUE DEBUT:** At Cambridge for Chester 1973  
**PREVIOUS CLUB:** Chester  
**FAMILY:** Mother, 3 Sisters, 4 Brothers and Ron  
**HOBBIES:** Golf, driving, listening to records  
**FAVOURITE FOODS:** Steak & Cottage Pie  
**FAVOURITE RECORDING STARS:** Eagles, Diana Ross, Beatles  
**FAVOURITE HOLIDAY RESORT:** Yugoslavia  
**CAR:** Ford Capri S.  
**BIGGEST DISAPPOINTMENT:** Missing the trip to the U.S.A. last summer because of broken ankle

**MOST MEMORABLE MATCH:** England U-21 v Wales at Wolverhampton (my first England cap)  
**MOST APPRECIATIVE CROWD:** The one at Kenilworth Road, they have been very kind to me over the past 3 years  
**FAVOURITE CLUB APART FROM LUTON:** My No. 3 iron  
**FAVOURITE AWAY GROUND:** Molineux  
**WHICH OTHER TWO TEAMS WILL WIN PROMOTION TO THE 1ST DIVISION:** The two who finish in 2nd and 3rd places  
**AMBITION:** To play for the England senior team and to play consistently well in the 1st division with Luton.

Autograph .....

# BEHIND THE SCENES

BY JOHN WILKINSON

THIS WEEK I thought it would be of interest to our supporters if I gave them some idea of what goes on when the team travel away to a game. Take the trip to Blackpool. The coach arrives at the ground at 3 o'clock and by 3.15 it is on its way up the M1. First stop is at either the Hilton Park or Knutsford service stations, (depending on time and traffic) on the M6, for a cup of tea and a sandwich. This stop is usually about half an hour and soon the coach is on its way again to Preston where the team's headquarters are. In the past we have stayed in Blackpool but we find now that Preston is within easy reach thanks to the new motorways. By 8.15 everyone is settling down to an evening meal. The players are not restricted as to what they have (within reason) and by 9.15 they are all in their rooms watching the television. Reg Game makes the rounds later to make sure that everybody has settled down. The

rest of us usually stay down and have a drink in the bar and more often than not a friend or friends of the manager pop in for a chat. The famous Tom Finney is the usual guest when we are in this part of the world. Sometimes it is the early hours before we get to bed for when someone like Tom is in your company, football past and present is talked about and the time simply flies by. Saturday morning breakfast doesn't tempt many players and they take the advantage to have a lie in. The pre-match lunch is at about 11.30 am, and I can guess that some of our supporters will be most surprised to know what we have. The days of steaks or boiled fish have gone. Our lunch is as follows:— Cornflakes and peaches (together) followed by a choice of boiled eggs, poached or scrambled egg on toast, beans on toast, omelettes and tea. Our club doctor told us a few years back that there is more instant energy in beans on toast

than there is in steak, and ever since then that is what we have had. It also doesn't make such a hole in the expenses these days. The trip from Preston to Blackpool's ground is done in just under the hour and one of the first persons to greet us is our former centre forward and England International Jesse Pye who now lives in Blackpool. With the game over at 5.30 pm the coach leaves for Luton. This journey is done non-stop as most of the players like to get home as quickly as possible and with Maurice, our driver, wearing his heavy boots it takes about three and a half to four hours. Anyway we are home indoors to watch Match of the Day.

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 Last week in town I met one of our former players, Graham Stewart who came to us from South Wales. He told me that his wife had just presented him with a daughter. To both of them we send our congratulations.

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# LAST HOME MATCH ACTION...

## LUTON TOWN 1 FULHAM 0

*THE LURE* of George Best in Fulham's colours helped to attract our biggest home league gate so far this season to Kenilworth Road, although the attendance of under 13,000 was still disappointing.

We went into the match with three consecutive victories behind us, and frankly we wonder what more the team must do to attract sizeable attendances.

But those who did come were given a football feast. Harry Haslam pays tribute elsewhere in the programme to the part Fulham played in making it an exciting and entertaining match.

On the far right is the scene as John Faulkner's header leaves the ball in Fulham's net in the 36th minute. Look hard and you can just see John behind the side-netting, on his way to congratulate Alan West on the skipper's accurate corner kick which made the goal possible. John's league goals are so rare that he admitted in a TV interview after the game that he couldn't remember the last one. But he did remember when we jogged his memory — a header against Portsmouth in January 1976, from a corner, taken of course, by Alan West.

The picture on the left is one we couldn't resist printing. With all due apologies to George Best, our supporters thoroughly enjoyed this moment when one of our own young stars, Ricky Hill, left the Northern Ireland international grounded and came away with the ball.

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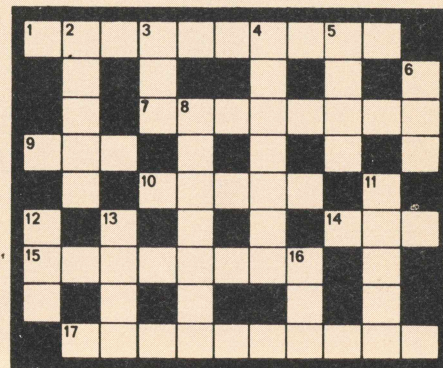
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- 1 He refereed the last F.A. Cup final (10)
- 7 Forward who made two expensive moves (one 'away' and one 'home') in 1976 (8)
- 9 Matt Busby wrote a book called "Soccer At The ..." (3)
- 10 Ajax marksman who shared last season's Bronze Boot with Dieter Müller (5)
- 14 Wimbledon Keeper (3)
- 15 Acrobatic kind of kick (8)
- 17 Daily Mail soccer-writer (5,5)

- 5 French football magazine with an appropriate number as title (4)
- 6 & 2dn. Former English referee now in charge of FIFA referees (3,5)
- 8 Promotion-winners last season (7)
- 11 Former Bury skipper who became player-manager of Swiss side La Chaux de Fonds last year (5)
- 12 Nick Deacy (... Eindhoven & Wales) (1,1,1)
- 13 Famous West Ham scout who retired a few months ago: Wally St. ... (4)
- 16 Glasgow-based governing body (1,1,1)

### CLUES — Down

- 2 See 6dn
- 3 Cassidy or Craig (3)
- 4 Old Tranmere, Bolton, Liverpool and England right-half (7)

### Answers to Crossword No. 6:

ACROSS: 1. Beara, 4. Frank, 7. Halifax Town, 8. Melee, 12. Alan Gilzean, 14. Signy, 15. Mills.  
DOWN: 1. Bohemians, 2. Ally (MacLeod), 3. Alfie, 4. Fox, 5. Amos, 6. Ken Barnes, 9. Ellam, 10. Tagg, 11. Bell, 13. Gay.

## ALL OUR YESTERDAYS

### THE GOALS THAT NEVER WERE

By BRIAN SWAIN, Sports Editor, Luton News.

WHEN DID a player score six goals in a match, and not one of them counted? The question, still regularly popping up in quiz programmes on radio and in magazines and newspapers, poses few problems for supporters of Luton Town or Manchester City.

For the two clubs figured in a game that has passed into soccer folklore, even though it does not appear in the official records. City came to Kenilworth Road for an FA Cup tie on January 28, 1961, and the incomparable Denis Law cracked in six goals. He struck after Alec Ashworth had put the Town two up, but heavy rain which would have put a Manchester cloud to shame saved the Town. City, inspired by Denis the Menace, were skating to victory, 6-2 up. But the rain had been sheeting down, and with 21 minutes to go, and all 22 players caked in slimy mud, the game was abandoned.

And in one of soccer's big upsets the Town, who had been relegated to the Second Division the previous season, won 3-1 when the match was staged again the following Wednesday, with two more goals by Ashworth and one by Jim Fleming. City's scorer — surprise, surprise! — Denis Law.

Records of fixtures between Luton and Manchester City are sprinkled with famous names, and on past performances the one score-line least

likely tonight is a 0-0 draw — the clubs have met 20 times in league and cups in the last 40 years, and not once have they got through 90 minutes without a single goal.

FA Cup clashes have seen City win four times, Luton twice, with one drawn and one abandoned. George Martin, later to be the Town's manager, was Luton's marksman in 1936 when City won a Fourth Round tie 2-1 at Maine Road.

In 1938 City came to Kenilworth Road in the Fifth Round. Frank Swift played a major role in City's 3-1 win, with Joe Payne the Town's scorer.

The next cup confrontation between the sides was in January 1953, when the Town were beginning to put together the side that was to take them into the First Division for the first time in their history. At Maine Road Ivor Broadis scored for City, with Jesse Pye earning the Town a replay. The City side included Bert Trautmann in goal, and a great half-back line of Don Revie, Dave Ewing and Roy Paul. But they were over-run in the replay at Kenilworth Road. Gordon Turner cracked in a hat-trick as the Town crushed City 5-1. Spurdle was City's scorer, while the Town's score-sheet was completed by Bert Mitchell and an own goal by Little.

Two years later we hoped for a repeat performance when the Town were drawn at home to City in a Fifth Round tie. By now City were experi-

menting with the "Revie Plan". They still had Trautmann in goal, and Roy Clarke scored twice as City won 2-0. They went on to reach Wembley, where they lost in the Cup Final to Newcastle 3-1.

The most recent FA Cup meeting between the two clubs was in January 1969.

We surprised City, who were then in a run of phenomenal success in League, League Cup and Europe. Bruce Rioch hit a post and in the end City scraped through with a score-line that used to be a standing joke in Manchester — "Lee Wun Pen." It's not as Chinese as it sounds. City won 1-0, with Francis Lee the scorer, from a penalty, and City went on to beat Leicester 1-0 in the final at Wembley.

The teams in that game were: Man. City: Down, Pardoe, Mann, Doyle, Booth, Oakes, Lee, Bell, Owen, Young, Coleman. Sub: Bowles. Town: Davie, Dougan, Bannister, Slough, Branstion, Moore, French, Lewis, Allen, Rioch, Harrison. Sub: McDerment.

The last time Luton and City met in the League was in the 1974/75 season, in the First Division. Mike Summerbee's 67th minute goal gave City a 1-0 win at Maine Road, and in the last game of the season the result at Kenilworth Road was a 1-1 draw, with Jim Ryan equalising in the second-half after Dennis Tueart had put City ahead in the 12th minute.



# COMBINATION

## THE DAVID PLEAT PAGE



opted out for a more detached view in television.

But what now? How can he equate his present role discussing and constructively criticising our present standing at international level with his task as supremo of the Saudi Arabian football set-up? The same man who is quite fairly concerned with our standards is tempting our better coaches to the sun and sand with fat salaries. Fortunately, so far, he is succeeding on the whole only with the second best. I am sure, however, that if he receives the nod from some of the cream of the coaching fraternity, like Don Howe, Dave Sexton, Gordon Jago and Bobby Robson, he would try to entice them away. Me, I like Luton!

It is ironical that the same double standards can be applied to the F.A. Coaching Courses. At the annual summer pilgrimage to Lillishall coaches demonstrate and pledge support for more open football including getting defenders forward into attacking areas. They show practises where they gamble with numbers, pushing the sweeper into midfield and dragging their own midfield men to the touchlines to create space, thereby reducing the midfield 'mash'. Of course we all recognise that they return to their Clubs in July knowing full well that they have no intention of being brave. It's just double talk!

Perhaps we should expect this double talk and double standards in a hard, business-like, professional sport. There must be more honesty and integrity in the game if we are to go

forward to better things, I could not, and would not, criticise the set-up at Watford whilst coaching at Luton so I just wonder about Jimmy Hill.

### COMBINATION REPORT

*October 15th Fulham 3 Luton Town 0 Team: Knight, Jones, Sisman, Smith, Carr, McNichol, Johnson, Wilkinson, Ingram, Bowen, Driver. Sub. Stewart.* This match, re-scheduled for 11 am to enable the reserve teams to watch the seniors in action, lacked nothing in entertainment as a result. Fulham eventually emerged as clear winners because of their more positive and aggressive second half performance. Ingram caused problems with his speed and skill and both he and Johnson were close to scoring. Carr also contributed some good crosses but Fulham gained control of the midfield and showed greater penetration in attack.

### BALL DONOR

Our Ball Donors this evening are a group of Senior Stewards and Match Day Staff whose names appear on Page 6 in Luton Latest.

### MASCOT

Tonight's Team Mascot is Darren McManus from R.A.F. Chicksands. Darren is ten years old and plays for his local under 12 team at the base. He had difficulty in deciding upon his No. 1 player as he has two favourites so we have allowed him to nominate both Ricky Hill and Phil Boersma.

### DOUBLE TALK

I OFTEN saw Jimmy Hill playing in Fulham's No. 8 shirt, oblivious to the crowds light hearted banter. He played in a 'thinking' side, many of whose members went on to try their hand in management at different levels (Eddie Lowe, Jim Langley, Bobby Robson, Johnny Haynes, Roy Dwight) with varying success. Jimmy Hill himself moved mountains as a Manager with Coventry City and can be considered the most successful post war Manager of one Club. Having tasted success he

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Aug 20 <b>Orient</b>	8,061	1-0	1	31	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	2	11	9	
Aug 27 Oldham Athletic	7,579	0-1	1	3	4	5	6	7			10	11					
Aug 30 Wolves (LC2)	14,682	3-1	1	3	124	5	6	74		94	4	11				10	
Sept 3 <b>Charlton Athletic</b>	9,061	7-1	1	31	12	5	6	74			4	84	6	2	9	10	
Sept 10 Bristol Rovers	5,940	2-1	1	31	12	5	6	7		11-1	4	8		2	9	10	
Sept 17 Blackburn Rovers	9,149	0-0	1	3	4	5	6	7	12		4	8		2	9	10	
Sept 24 Tottenham	32,700	0-2	1	3	4	5	6	7		11	10	8		2	9	10	
Sept 27 Brighton	25,132	2-3	1	3	4	5	6	74		11	10	8		2	9	10	
Oct 1 Notts County	7,593	2-0	1	3	12	5	6	7		11-1	10-1	8		2	9	10	
Oct 4 Millwall	9,119	1-0	1	3	12	5	6	7		11	10	8		2	9	4	
Oct 8 Cardiff City	8,369	4-1	1	3	12	5	6	7		11	10	8		2	9	4	
Oct 15 Fulham	12,736	1-0	1	3	12	5-1	6	7		11	10	8-1		2	9	4	
Oct 22 Blackpool	12,167	1-2	1	3	5	5	6	7.1		11	10	8		2	9	4	
Oct 25 <b>Man. City (LC3)</b>																	
Oct 29 Bolton Wanderers																	
Nov 5 Hull City																	
Nov 12 Mansfield Town																	
Nov 19 Stoke City																	
Nov 26 Sunderland (1)																	
Nov 30 League Cup 4																	
Dec 3 Burnley																	
Dec 10 Southampton																	
Dec 17 Mansfield Town (2)																	
Dec 26 Crystal Palace																	
Dec 27 Sheffield United																	
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Jan 21 Charlton Athletic																	
Jan 28 F.A. Cup 4																	
Feb 4 Bristol Rovers																	
Feb 8 League Cup SF																	
Feb 11 Blackburn Rovers																	
Feb 15 League Cup SF																	
Feb 18 Tottenham (5)																	
Feb 25 Notts County																	
Mar 4 Cardiff City																	
Mar 11 Fulham (6)																	
Mar 18 Blackpool (LCF)																	
Mar 21 Bolton Wanderers																	
Mar 24																	
Mar 25 Sheffield United																	
Mar 27 Crystal Palace																	
Apr 1 Hull City																	
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Apr 15 Stoke City																	
Apr 22 Southampton																	
Apr 26 Millwall																	
Apr 29 Burnley																	
May 6 F.A. Cup Final																	

TONIGHT'S MATCH SPONSOR  
INTRODUCING THE CHICKSANDS BOBBERS CLUB

DID YOU ever hear the one about the American in Vietnam who used to volunteer for flying missions every Sunday? When asked why he was always wanting to fly on his normal day off, he replied, "I have to get up to 30,000 feet before I can get the Luton result from the BBC World Service". If you are waiting for the punch line, this is no joke and the dedicated supporter of our story is today sitting in the Bobbers Stand shouting the Town on to victory as part of the Chicksands Bobbers Club.

The Chicksands Bobbers Club is probably the most unusual supporters club in the history of professional football. The idea was conceived by a small group of Americans on RAF Chicksands who have been dedicated followers of Luton Town for several years. Representatives from Chicksands applied to Mr. Doug Lygo and Harry Haslam in August of this year for recognition as an official supporters club and the Football Club has been tremendous with their willingness to assist. With a total population of just over 1000 people, during their first two months of existence, the club has grown from the original 8 founders to a membership of 163 supporters. The unusual feature of the club is that its members work a rotating shift, 24 hours a day, 7 days a week and still bring a coach full of supporters to every home game and most away games. Many of its members, prior to joining the club, had never seen a game of football in their lives, but the enthusiasm of the others convinced them it was worth joining and there has been no regrets.

We would like to express our special appreciation to Jim Yates, John Wilkinson, Doug Lygo, Harry Haslam, Wayne Morgan, Mike Harwicke and Bob Powell. These behind the scenes professionals contribute much to making Luton the great Football Club it is.

One final word, to the gentleman in the Bobbers Club recently overheard saying, "Bloody Hell, the place is infested with Yanks, can't a bloke even get a beer". Our most sincere apology and the only justification we can offer is, we may talk funny, but we yell for the same side.

The Chicksands Bobbers Club is a private organisation whose sole purpose is to provide support for Luton Town Football Club. Its headquarters is on RAF Chicksands, but is in no way associated with or sponsored by the British Ministry of Defence, United States Government or any of their affiliates. Responsibility for the Club and its members is vested solely with its administrators as listed with the Luton Town Bobbers Stand and Supporters Club.

DIVISION TWO

Table of Results - As at 23.10.77

	P	W	D	L	F	A	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Bolton	12	5	1	0	12	5	3	2	1	8	5	19
Tottenham	12	6	0	0	23	4	1	3	2	4	7	17
Southampton	12	5	2	0	13	5	2	0	3	7	10	16
<b>Luton</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>15</b>
Blackpool	12	4	1	1	12	6	2	2	2	9	9	15
Brighton	12	4	1	1	12	9	2	2	2	8	7	15
Blackburn	12	4	1	1	9	4	1	3	2	6	9	14
C. Palace	12	2	1	3	10	3	2	1	10	5	13	
Stoke	12	4	1	1	8	3	0	4	2	4	6	13
Charlton	11	5	0	0	16	7	0	3	3	5	14	13
Hull City	12	3	2	1	7	2	1	2	3	4	7	12
Orient	12	3	1	1	11	10	1	2	4	5	8	11
Sheffield Utd.	12	4	1	1	12	7	0	2	4	6	14	11
Sunderland	12	2	2	2	7	6	1	3	2	7	11	11
Fulham	12	2	3	1	12	6	1	1	4	4	9	10
Oldham	12	3	2	1	7	5	0	2	4	5	13	10
Mansfield	12	2	2	2	9	7	1	1	4	5	10	9
Millwall	12	1	4	1	6	6	1	1	4	5	8	9
Cardiff	11	2	3	1	7	7	0	2	3	3	10	9
Bristol R.	12	2	3	1	10	6	0	1	5	5	21	8
Notts Co.	12	1	4	1	8	7	0	1	5	6	17	7
Burnley	12	1	3	2	5	6	0	0	6	4	18	5

COMBINATION

Table of Results - As at 18.10.77

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
O.P.R.	12	7	3	2	23	8	17
Southampton	10	8	0	2	24	8	16
Tottenham	11	6	3	2	26	11	15
Fulham	11	5	4	2	18	9	14
Chelsea	10	5	2	3	23	9	12
Bristol City	10	4	4	2	15	12	12
Hereford United	12	5	2	5	17	20	12
Ipswich Town	9	4	3	2	13	8	11
Arsenal	12	4	3	5	14	11	11
<b>Luton Town</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>11</b>
West Ham	9	4	2	3	16	9	10
Crystal Palace	10	4	2	4	12	10	10
Birmingham	9	2	5	2	10	11	9
Norwich City	9	3	3	8	13	9	8
Bristol Rovers	7	3	2	3	8	13	9
Leicester City	10	4	0	6	10	17	8
Swindon Town	10	3	2	5	11	22	8
Orient	8	3	1	4	7	13	7
Plymouth Argyle	9	3	0	6	12	14	6
Reading	8	2	0	6	8	21	4
Oxford United	10	1	2	7	8	21	4
Cardiff City	8	0	2	6	7	28	2

GOALSCORERS - League & League Cup Up to and including 11.10.77	7 3 3 2 2 2 1 1 1 1 1
J. Husband	
S. Buckley	
P. Boersma	
R. Hill	
R. Futcher	
P. Fucillo	
D. Carr	
G. Heale	
P. Price	
J. Faulkner	
<b>Football Combination</b>	
G. Ingram	5
G. Heale	3
K. Bowen	2
T. Smith	2
P. Boersma	2
D. Carr	2
R. Hill	2
A. West	1
<b>Chiltern Youth League/Cups</b>	
M. Pacey	12
G. Ingram	7
N. Johnson	6
A. Pearson	3
A. Currie	3
W. Turner	1
M. Beach	1
S. Rowland	1
R. Eaton	1
P. Champkan	1
M. Williams	1
T. Stewart	1
S. Dool	1

Football Combination Fixtures									
Aug	24 Wed	5-1	Reading	Dec	10 Sat	Leicester City			
Aug	27 Sat	1-1	West Ham United	Dec	17 Sat	Bristol City			
				Dec	26 Mon	Southampton			
Sept	3 Sat	P	Orient			Ipswich Town			
Sept	5 Mon	3-1	Ipswich Town	Jan	2 Mon	West Ham United			
Sept	10 Sat	1-2	Swindon Town	Jan	14 Sat	Orient			
Sept	13 Tues	1-1	Arsenal	Jan	21 Sat	Chelsea			
Sept	17 Sat	0-3	Chelsea	Feb	4 Sat	Bristol Rovers			
Sept	21 Wed	3-2	Hereford United	Feb	11 Sat	Swindon Town			
Sept	24 Sat	0-1	Bristol Rovers	Feb	14 Tues	Chelsea			
				Feb	25 Sat	Bristol Rovers			
Oct	1 Sat	1-4	Tottenham Hotspur	Mar	4 Sat	Tottenham Hotspur			
Oct	5 Wed	1-0	Crystal Palace	Mar	11 Sat	Cardiff City			
Oct	8 Sat	1-1	Cardiff City	Mar	18 Sat	Fulham			
Oct	15 Sat	0-3	Fulham	Mar	25 Sat	Birmingham City			
Oct	22 Sat	1-1	Birmingham City	Mar		Bristol City			
Oct	29 Sat		Arsenal						
Nov	5 Sat		Norwich City	April	1 Sat	Norwich City			
Nov	12 Sat		Hereford United	April	8 Sat	Plymouth Argyle			
Nov	15 Tues		Reading	April	11 Tues	Southampton			
Nov	19 Sat		Oxford United	April	15 Sat	Oxford United			
Nov	26 Sat		Plymouth Argyle	April	22 Sat	Leicester City			
				April	25 Tues	Crystal Palace			
Dec	3 Sat		Queens Park Rangers	April	29 Sat	Queens Park Rangers			





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## YOUTH

By George Rogers

THE LUTON Town youth team notched up their sixth victory on Saturday 15th. Oct., in the Chiltern Youth league fixture v Letchworth Garden City at Houghton Regis by 4 goals to 2.

Play in the first half was fairly even, Letchworth going close on several occasions and Luton were perhaps fortunate to go in at half time drawing 1 each. After the interval Luton came more into the game and Mick Pacey scored again to put Luton ahead but Letchworth equalised almost immediately. Mick Pacey crowned a personal triumph when he put Luton 3-2 up and his own tally to three. In the closing minutes trialist Stephen Dool scored Luton's 4th.

Team A. Judge, A. Currie, R. Eaton, N. Madden, L. Harriott, T. Broom, R. Howson, M. Pacey, W. Turner, A. Pearson, M. Beech, S. Rowlands. S. Dool.

Following the recruitment of Referees through the various leagues and this column, 27 budding Referees commenced the course on the Laws of the Game last Monday. The Chiltern Youth league will now be getting the benefit from this and most games will now be covered.

Some weeks ago I mentioned that Youth and Schoolboy players were being watched. Some representative games are now being played. Bedfordshire (Under 18) play Oxfordshire at Leighton Buzzard on Sat. 5th. Nov. Tomorrow night at Stotfold the Chiltern Youth League play the Bedford and District Youth League at Under 18 level. Games at other age groups have been arranged v Aylesbury and Hemel Hempstead Leagues.

Much football activity is going on in the schools. Luton reached the 3rd round of the Schools Shield by beating Milton Keynes 2-1 and now meet Bedford who defeated North Herts 5-1 in the previous round.

One of the most enthusiastic competitions run by the Chiltern Youth league is in the 10-12 age group and on Sunday 30th. Oct. the final of the Jim Restall Memorial Trophy will take place at Whitefield Junior School, Marsh Farm 10.30 a.m. Teams competing are Limbury B.C. v Water Eaton (Bletchley) or Sacred Heart. See you there!



### Know your Youth player.

This week we highlight Tony Wilkinson. Born Anthony LeRoy Wilkinson in Malaya but has spent most of his life in Luton. Tony will be 17 on 15th. March 1978. He attended Halyard High School, Luton and has been an active member of the Lewsey Youth Centre. Represented Luton and Bedfordshire Schools and the Bedfordshire Under 16s., also played in the league representative side. Excellent ball player and this persuaded Luton Town to sign him on Apprentice forms in July 1977. His hobbies are taking part in Golf, Tennis and Cricket.

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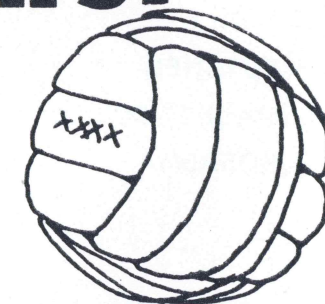
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**Linesmen:** Red flag — Mr. D. S. Vickers; Yellow flag — Mr. V. H. Wood.

