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**LUTON TOWN**  
League Cup 3rd Round Replay



Tuesday 1st November 1977  
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# Back to Normal

says City Manager

**Tony Book**

WE can all look back on last Saturday's winning performance against Liverpool with a great deal of pride, and there were so many exciting incidents that the appetite of our fans to have memorable moments to recall during the dark winter nights ahead should be sated for a long time to come. But I hark back to last Tuesday's display in gaining a draw at Luton in the League Cup as being the base for our performance of character in winning 3-1 against the giants from Anfield.

We needed a result at Luton very badly. Even though the outcome was not victory I felt highly satisfied that we retained our interest in the competition by gaining a draw. You have only got to remember the outcome of the previous Saturday, when the team had fallen to pieces in defeat at home against Wolves, to realise the necessity for avoiding defeat, regaining our composure and lifting morale.

## Stiffer

Luton have no reputation for generosity on their own ground and I have always looked on them as being a footballing side, which has meant that our task in the third round is stiffer than we would have liked. And Luton lived up to all the good reports I had received about them by turning on the football, knocking the ball about well, and keeping us on our toes throughout the 90 minutes.

But my joy was that we did keep on our toes. We did not allow Luton to unsettle us despite being under pressure to do well following the Wolves let-down.

We required a confidence restorer and that's exactly what we got. We got back to normal.

There was one particularly dangerous moment when, I suppose, the tide could have turned against us and wrecked our intentions. That was when Luton took the lead and, naturally, had their adrenalin flowing to its full.

I just hope we can carry it on tonight and progress to a fourth round tie at Ipswich. It would be nice to get there, even though it is another away match. If we do visit Ipswich it will make it the seventh away Cup match in the last eight rounds we have played in the League Cup and F.A. Cup.

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If City win tonight's replay they face a daunting task at Ipswich. The Blues have not won at Portman Road in their last eight visits to East Anglia since Ipswich won promotion. In fact the last City victory at Ipswich dates back to March 11th, 1967 when two goals from Mike Summerbee and an own goal by McNeil gave them a 3-0 victory in a F.A. Cup fifth round replay.

### COVER PICTURE:

The familiar number five belongs, of course, to Dave Watson, who is about to hit the deck during the home League game against Wolves. There's not much he can do about it, with his right leg trapped after a challenge threw him out of his impressive stride.



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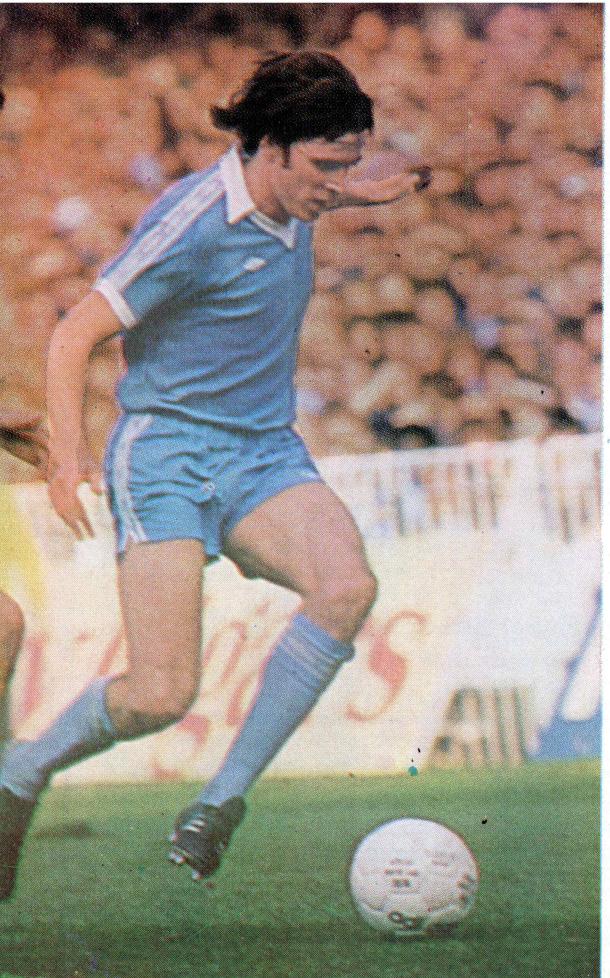
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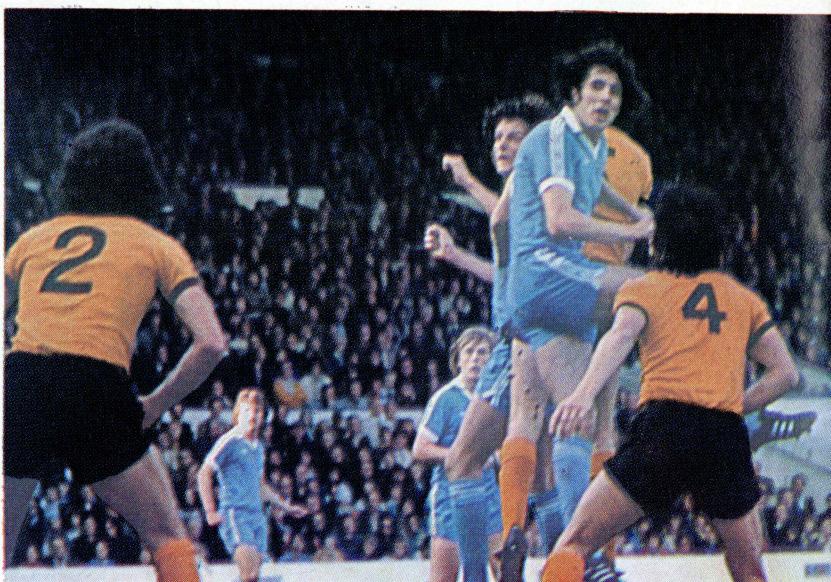
# POWER ACTION



## Looking back at Luton



"I was very angry with myself about the goal which gave Luton their lead. I was in a position to clear the ball, then took my eye off the ball for a split second. Ron Fletcher took full advantage of the chance. He turned very quickly and hit the ball into our net. To say I was upset is putting it mildly. I was so pleased that we were able to come back so soon because if we hadn't they would probably have gone on the defensive and sewn the game up". Paul Powers memory of last week's meeting.



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THE CONTRAST between City and tonight's visitors from the Second Division could hardly be more marked. While Maine Road has been the gathering place for a galaxy of super-stars, homespun Luton have had to try to work miracles on a shoestring.

They're the club that nearly died, and few of their supporters will forget the dark days of December 1975 when the hard-pressed club had to admit that it was broke. They had liabilities of over £700,000 and the chairman had to tell a grim creditor's meeting that if a transfer deal did not go through within a day or two Luton would have to fold.

Manager Harry Haslam was despatched post-haste to Belgium, and Luton sold midfield star Peter Anderson at the knock-down price of £55,000 to Royal Antwerp.

The creditors pitched in with help, agreeing to take half of what they were owed in supporters' shares. Luton suddenly woke up to the realisation that the home-town soccer club was in danger of disappearing and for a few brief months the townspeople rallied round and kept the club afloat.

But the sale of Anderson was a vivid illustration of the problems Luton have long had to face, struggling to build good teams on gates of around 10,000. It can't be done, so happy Harry Haslam has had to be a constant wheeler-dealer in the transfer markets.

The very fact that he is still manager after five years in the hot seat bears witness to his success—only Jimmy Frizzell at Oldham has a longer spell in the precarious profession of manager of a League club.

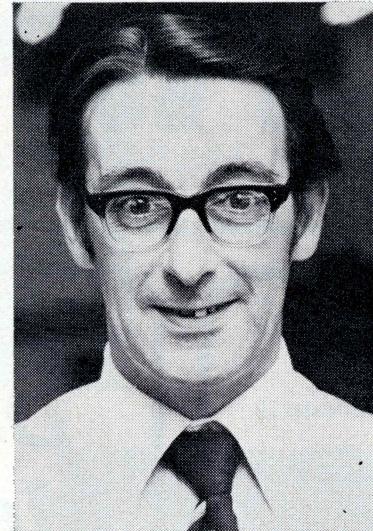
Today, Luton believe they can get back to the First Division for the second time in Haslam's reign. And if they do, it will be despite selling almost a full side that would be worth a place in anyone's super-league.

Supporters in Luton spend a long time on Sunday's looking down the small print in the results columns. There they see names that make some of us choked, to say the least . . .

Malcolm Macdonald, Bruce Rioch, Chris Nicholl, Andy King, Don Givens . . . they all blossomed at Luton, and then had to be sold to balance the books.

# LUTON SURVIVE THEIR BATTLES

by Brian Swain



**Sports Editor**  
**Luton News**

A lot of Luton people never forgave the club for getting rid of Macdonald, whose goals sent Luton rocketing through the Third Division and sparked off a remarkable revival trail.

Luton had six seasons in the First Division, and made an FA Cup Final appearance at Wembley in 1959, before being relegated in 1960. In five short years they made history by being the first club in the League to slide down from First to Fourth.

But the advent of Macdonald—he formed a lethal striking spearhead with Don Givens in his Luton days—saw Luton on the path to making history again. Four years ago they became the first club in history to complete the double of First Division to Fourth and then back to the First.

The supporters of Luton went crazy when the bombshell burst in May 1971—SuperMac, a full-back who had cost £17,500 from Fulham a couple of years previously, and already a goal-scoring legend, was transferred to Newcastle for £185,000.

At the time, Harry Haslam was a member of Alec Stock's staff. He had known SuperMac well for years, and was given the job of pushing through the Newcastle deal in a hurry. And the reason for the pressure was that a few days later, Luton's annual shareholders' meeting was due and without the Macdonald transfer cash the balance sheet would have made disastrous reading.

It's been the same story ever since, with players bought cheaply or picked up from junior soccer, and sold in a hurry. Another big controversy on the Macdonald lines blew up a couple of years ago. Luton had introduced into their side 12 months earlier a local lad, Andy King, and he showed signs of developing into something rather special.

But a quick trip up the motorway in March last year heralded his transfer. What really hurt was that the fee Everton paid was a mere £35,000 when it was plain that the boy was worth at least £100,000. It was another case of "Sell quick, or else . . ."

On that occasion Luton were fighting their way out of their financial crisis, and it was eventually made known that if King hadn't been sold on the Wednesday the club might have been out of business by the following Saturday.

So perhaps you'll excuse Luton for thinking that however hard tonight's game may be, they've come through the toughest battles any football team could face.

And Harry Haslam is still smiling. "We learned a lot from our experiences," he said. "I wouldn't want to go through that again, but we're beating the financial problems and I think we have a good chance of

local talent, careful spending and shrewd buying.

Skipper Alan West, defender John Faulkner and striker Jimmy Husband are the only survivors from the side that got Luton into the First Division for just one season, in 1974/75.

The average age of the side has been reduced drastically, and Luton are still producing talent out of the ordinary. They risked £100,000 for an unknown 17-year-old sweeper from Chester three years ago

He should be worth watching with care tonight: he's Paul Futcher, already a team-mate of Peter Barnes in the England Under-21 side, and a player of immense talent. Haslam has no doubts that he will graduate to the full England XI, and if we've missed the boat for Argentina this time, what price Futcher to be the new Bobby Moore in 1982?

His talent, of course, means that Luton once more have a super-star in the making, just like Macdonald was. And the envious managers with fat cheque-books are regular

★ The last time City entertained Luton was in a First Division game on October 19th, 1974. Mike Summerbee's 67th-minute goal gave City a 1-0 victory and pushed Luton to bottom but one in the table, one point ahead of Arsenal. The win lifted City to second, equal on points with Liverpool. They were watching Second Division soccer at Old Trafford at the time.

Jim Husband and Alan West are Luton's only survivors from the line-up that day. City's team was:

Mac Rae, Hammond, Donachie, Doyle, Clarke, Oakes, Summerbee, Bell, Marsh [Capt.], Henson and Barnes. Denis Leman was sub.

being up there with the promotion-winners at the end of the season."

His team tonight is the third he has built since he took over from Alec Stock, and it's a mixture of

enquirers about the lad's health and happiness

"We could sell him at a minute's notice", said Haslam. "But what's the good of shoving another £200,000 in the bank if you really want to build another First Division team?"

"At the time, the people of Luton were moaning about the Macdonald sale, I agreed privately with them

★ By holding City to a draw at Kenilworth Road last week, Luton made local history—it put them into the draw for the Fourth Round of the Football League Cup for the first time ever, even if they haven't yet reached the last 16!

Luton should have pulled out all the stops to keep him, even if two or three lesser players had to go.

"That's how I feel about Paul Futcher now. He can help us back in the First Division, and that's the only place any team worth its salt wants to play."

## LUTON TAKE THE LEAD

It's the goal that sent Luton fans delirious—Ron Futcher cracks the Bedfordshire team into a short-lived lead in last week's tie at Kenilworth Road.



# Press Box View

## at Luton

"Kenny Clements made the most of his return to provide a more solid look along the back four. Ged Keegan also impressed with his intelligent use of the ball and Paul Power, despite the slip that gave Luton the lead, also got through a tremendous amount of work once more." **PETER GARDNER**, Manchester Evening News.

"City were starting to show their spiteful side in the tackles when Power, without glory, conceded a free kick. As the ball came from the right, the same player hooked the ball tentatively down for Paul Fletcher to smack it home beyond Corrigan's substantial reach—a case of once bitten, twice shy." **JEREMY ALEXANDER**, The Guardian.

"Luton's hustling forced City into some slipshod passing in midfield and they were fortunate not to be trailing as early as the second minute. That was when 21 year old Fuccillo gave the first hint of his rich promise. He exchanged penetrating passes with Gary Heale and rapped in a drive which Dave Watson did well to get a foot to." **ALAN THOMPSON**, Daily Express.



"Barnes went on to show his devastating skills in a second half performance that suggests his elevation to the England senior squad is only a matter of time. His ability on the ball, clever use of it, and explosive pace continually cut Luton open down their right flank". **NIGEL CLARKE**, Daily Mirror.



"City, however, might have been in arrears if Luton striker Ron Fletcher had been more decisive mid-way through the first half. Three times in six minutes he had the chance of putting Luton in front. He shot wide the first time, was too slow to turn and pounce and after a good ball by Hill had put him through, and then he shot straight at 'keeper Corrigan after a through ball from his brother Paul sent him racing clear". **FRANK CLOUGH**, The Sun.

"City's only effective answer to Fuccillo's calm manipulation of this maelstrom of a tie was depressingly physical. Keegan was lectured in the first half after scorning an honest challenge in favour of a late, high tackle on the Italian. Watson, who had been booked earlier for kicking the ball away after conceding a foul of Ron Fletcher, escaped unnoticed by the referee when he lunged at Fuccillo in the second half." **JEFF POWELL**, Daily Mail.

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City chairman Peter Swales presented the first £500 cheque to Wythenshawe housewife Mrs. Marie Flannigan at Maine Road ten days ago and subsequent lotteries have seen the demand for tickets grow and grow.

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HARRY HASLAM comes home tonight to try and put one over on the club that was the first love of his soccer life. And while there will be no sentiment on offer from the 55 year old Luton manager when he sends his team into replay battle in the third round League Cup tie against the Blues, he still happily admits that the affection for Manchester City which gripped him when he was a lad has never really dissolved during his varied travels in the game.

Manchester-born Harry, whose childhood was spent in Hulme, is looking for more than nostalgia from this trip. "I hope we can come to Maine Road and be part of another good game. We're not travelling up to Manchester feeling in any way depressed because we didn't win the match at our place.

"I know that people say it's an anti-climax for the smaller club when they have to face a second match; that if the giants aren't toppled in the first meeting then there's not another chance for the underdog. But after seeing City—and even knowing they have stars to add to the line-up that were missing in the match at Luton—we're not without confidence.

## Confidently

"The one thing we have got to do is approach the game confidently and still have a go at them. That we will do. I just hope that out of the night comes a game that is a credit to everyone from a football point of view—let's face it soccer has been kicked about a bit by the critics recently. And nobody involved in it can be happy about that" said Harry frankly.

Harry, who exudes happiness at the best of time, was proud of the Luton performance last week. "The lads did very, very well and we had enough chances to finish it. We conceded a quick equaliser because of a little bit of a mishap with our 'keeper, (Milija Aleksic), who should have come out for the first cross that led to the goal. But we were always well in the hunt.

"From the public's point of view it was a tremendous match.

"City showed us one side of their nature that was a little bit of a surprise to me—they were physical, but without being dirty.

"I've pretty well known the City sides and their styles down the years. After all, I've been a City fan since I was a lad. Even when I signed as a player with Manchester United, my true love was the Blues", he admitted.

The War years disrupted Harry's career when he was on the Old Trafford books. "I drifted on to Brighton and then had a move to Leyton Orient. But the biggest part of my career has been on the other side of the game, the coaching. It's the part I've had immense enjoyment out of" he continued.

It started for him at Gillingham until he joined the Bedfordshire club in 1969 and he performed a variety of back-room functions with them—coaching, chief scout among them—until Alec Stock departed in 1972. That's when he was invited to take over the reins and he's thrived on the work ever since—having one of the

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# Let this game be a credit

says  
Luton  
Manager  
Harry  
Haslam



greatest highlights when his team were Second Division runners-up in 1974, paying a fleeting visit to the First Division.

He's never shirked positive action, paying six-figure fees for the like of Alan West, from Burnley, and Paul Futch, from Chester. He also picked up a fat fee for the sale of Malcolm Macdonald to Newcastle.

Now he's moulded another team, and one of the youngsters whose talents caught the eye significantly at Kenilworth Road last week was Pasquale Fuccillo ('Lil' to his public) whom Harry has nursed through from the junior ranks.

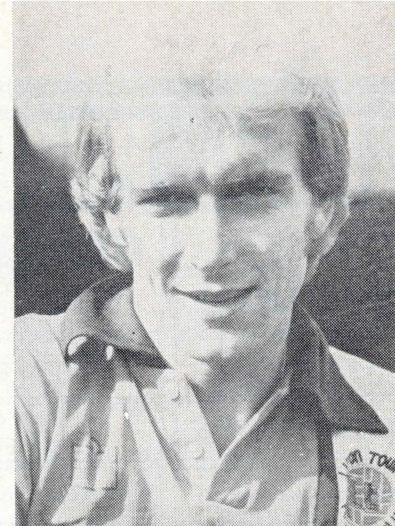
"Lil", born in Bedford of Italian parents, started with Luton over five years ago as a 16 year old in the Junior

Hatters team playing against local opposition. The ability was soon recognised and he was taken on the staff.

"He's strong, a good player and there's a lot of Italian style about his play", Harry analyses. Recognition of 'Lil's skill first came in November 1974 when he was named as substitute for a match against Sheffield United, but he didn't break into the team until February 1976, at York. He was a League ever-present last term, along with left back Steve Buckley.

So now he has the blend rich with experience—defender John Faulkner, midfielder Alan West, forwards Jimmy Husband and Phil Boersma—and with the promise of players like current England under-21 choice Paul Futch.

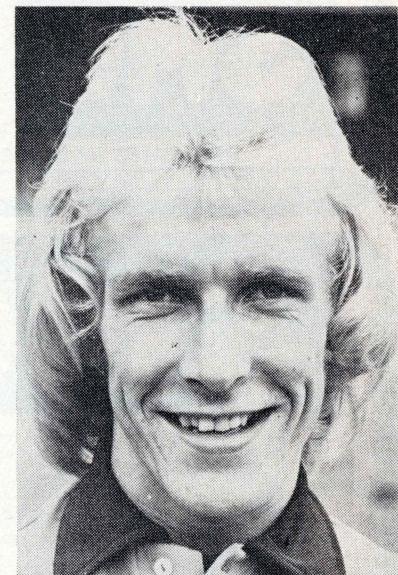
It's a formula which had them sitting as high as second spot in the table until a 2-1 defeat at Blackpool only 10 days ago. And considering they had only conceded one goal at home in six games, City's achievement in earning a draw with a Peter Barnes goal should not be scoffed at. They haven't been giving presents at Kenilworth Road.



RON FUTCHER

## THE FUTCHER TWINS

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## QUIZical look at • LUTON TOWN •

- 1 The last occasion when City met Luton in a Cup tie was in the F.A. Cup third round in season 1968-69, the year the Blues went on to win at Wembley in the Final against Leicester. Can you remember the outcome of that tie with Luton—and did any of the current Maine Road playing staff appear in the game?
- 2 Who was the last Blues player to score a League goal against Luton?
- 3 Which Luton player won the Footballer of the Year award, and at the end of which season?
- 4 Which two post-War Luton goalkeepers were 'capped' by England at full international level?
- 5 Luton collected a record transfer fee in 1971. Who was it for—and how much did they receive?
- 6 One former Luton player has played a prominent part in helping his country to reach the World Cup Finals in Argentina next summer. Who is he . . . who did Luton sell him to . . . and when did he leave?
- 7 Which player was leading goalscorer for Luton last season?
- 8 The distinction of being the scorer of most goals in a Football League match belongs to a player who performed the deed in Luton colours. Who was he—and how many did he score?
- 9 Luton have made only one F.A. Cup Final appearance. When was it, who were their opponents and what was the score?
- 10 When were Luton last relegated from the First Division and which teams were demoted with them?

Answers on Page 22

Harry may not be bold enough to predict an outcome, despite his claims of confidence in the squad. But he is certain that the Maine Road attendance will be swelled a little extra tonight—"if only for all the relatives I'll have coming along. There's still a lot of them living in the Manchester area, most of them cousins. From the attendance point of view, our appearance at Maine Road will be a good thing for City" he chuckled.

Harry has never lost contact with his northern heritage. He frequently visits his sister-in-law, who now lives in Lynn, and delights when a fixture brings him back to the North West.

"It's great to be coming back. And this is another reason why I would like the night to be one of credit for my team and for football. Winning is a grand thing and so is performance" he added in the style of the grand soccer sage he is sure to become.



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# LUTON'S



# RECORD

1960-61  
Second Round:  
Replay: Liverpool 1 Luton 1  
Luton 2 Liverpool 5

1961-62  
First Round:  
Second Round:  
Replay: Luton 2 North' ton 1  
Luton 0 Rotherham 0  
Rotherham 2 Luton 0

1962-63  
Second Round:  
Third Round:  
Fourth Round: Southport 1 Luton 3  
Barnsley 1 Luton 2  
Man. City 1 Luton 0

1963-64  
Second Round: Luton 3 Coventry 4

1964-65  
First Round:  
Second Round: Port Vale 0 Luton 1  
Luton 0 Aston Villa 1

1965-66  
First Round:  
Replay: Luton 1 Brighton 1  
Brighton 2 Luton 0

1966-67  
First Round:  
Replay: Aldershot 2 Luton 2  
Luton 1 Aldershot 2

1967-68  
First Round:  
Replay:  
Second Round: Luton 1 Charlton 1  
Charlton 1 Luton 2  
Leeds 3 Luton 1

1968-69  
First Round:  
Second Round:  
Replay:  
Third Round: Luton 3 Brighton 1  
Luton 1 Luton 4  
Everton 5 Brighton 2  
Luton 1

1969-70  
First Round: Peterborough 1 Luton 1  
Replay: Luton 5 Peterboro' 2  
Second Round:  
Replay: Luton 2 Millwall 2  
Third Round: Millwall 0 Peterboro' 2  
Sheffield Utd. 3 Luton 1  
Luton 1 Luton 0

1970-71  
First Round: Gillingham 0 Luton 1  
Second Round: Luton 3 Workington 0  
Third Round: Luton 0 Arsenal 1

1971-72  
Second Round: C. Palace 2 Luton 0

1972-73  
Second Round: Birmingham 1 Luton 1  
Replay: Luton 1 Birm'ham 1  
Second Replay: Birmingham 1 Luton 0

1973-74  
First Round:  
Replay:  
Second Replay:  
Third Round:  
Replay:  
Fourth Round: Luton 1 Grimsby 1  
Grimsby 0 Luton 0  
Luton 2 Grimsby 0  
Luton 0 Bury 0  
Bury 2 Luton 3  
Millwall 3 Luton 1

1974-75  
Second Round: Luton 1 Bristol R. 0  
Third Round: Sheffield Utd. 2 Luton 0

1975-76  
Second Round: Darlington 2 Luton 1

1976-77  
Second Round: Sunderland 3 Luton 1

1977-78  
Second Round: Wolves 1 Luton 1  
Third Round: Luton 3 Man. City 1

Tonight  
is their  
14th replay

Saturday, November 26th  
**v. CHELSEA**  
[at Maine Road]

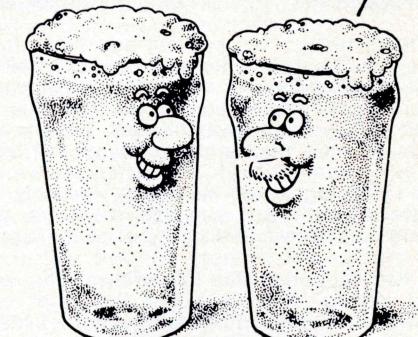
FOLLOWING consultations with the local police authorities and implementing Government regulations on crowd control City have banned Chelsea supporters from attending this match, which has been made ALL-TICKET.

Vouchers were issued on the turnstiles at last Saturday's match against Liverpool and these can be exchanged at the Ticket Office from tomorrow (Wednesday, November 2nd) when tickets will be on sale.

Seats cannot be guaranteed and supporters are reminded that they MUST have a ticket for the Chelsea game if they wish to gain admission. There will be no cash admissions on the day of the match and ticket sales will cease on Friday, November 25th.

★ If City are successful in tonight's third round League Cup replay, details of ticket sales for the next round will be announced later in the week.

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# ABANDONED — BECAUSE THE

A remarkable day  
recalled by  
**PETER GARDNER**  
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Evening News

## PLAYERS WERE IN THE BATH

IT'S STILL one of soccer's favourite questions—Who scored six goals in a game yet not one of them counted? Denis Law was the player, but ask the legendary Scottish international today to recall just one of them and he'll tell you bluntly: "The only thing I remember about that match was that I got soaking wet."

It was January 28, 1961 when Manchester City went to Kenilworth Road for a fourth round FA Cup tie against Luton Town and "Denis the Menace", then the Blues record signing at what in those days was a staggering £55,000, cracked in all six as the men from Maine Road ran riot to lead the home side 6-2.

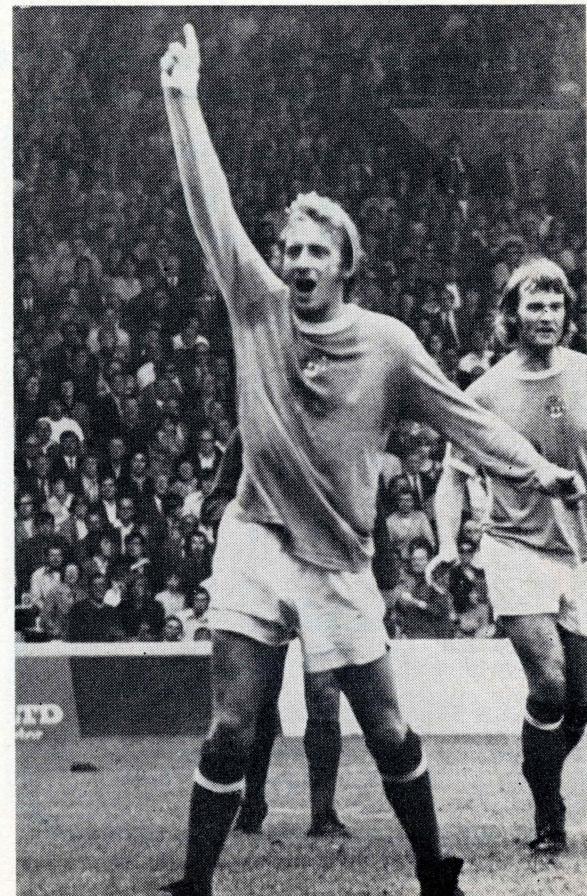
But with just 21 minutes left, Chesterfield referee Ken Tucker took off both teams, the match was ultimately abandoned and replayed the following week. Inevitably, after such a runaway performance on the Saturday, it had to happen—City lost 3-1 with Law scoring the Blues solitary goal, leaving him with the unenviable record of scoring seven times in a Cup tie, having only one officially recognised . . . and being on the losing side.

Says Denis today: "It's so long ago that I honestly can't recall much about the match except that it was pouring down from the kick off, the rain never eased for a minute and conditions were as bad when the referee took us off as they had been at the start. Despite all that, he still abandoned the match although the ball was running fairly easy enough. Yet when we went back there the following week, the match certainly should never have started. But because it was a cup tie officialdom said it had to be got out of the way."

"What had happened was that after all the rain, the pitch had started to dry out, but the water had not soaked away altogether. The result was that the entire surface of the pitch was a sea of ankle-dragging mud. This time, unlike Saturday in the rain, the ball just would not move so clinging was the mud. Imagine that happening these days—there would be no chance of the game even being started."

"Yet on reflection I suppose we knew we would probably be beaten. Everything had gone so well on the Saturday with what amounted to an unstoppable performance by the entire side. We had even given Luton a two-goal start with Alec Ashworth getting both the home goals. Then I started knocking them in and it all seemed so easy."

sixteen



"The second game was entirely different. Luton started from the outset by marking us all much tighter and the stamina-draining surface did not help matters either."

### DENIS LAW

... a familiar salute from the King of finishers.

Courtesy Press Association

It ended with Luton, relegated to the Second Division the previous season, recording one of top-class football's biggest upsets by winning 3-1 with two more goals from Ashworth, who later joined Preston, and Jim Fleming.

However, one of the best-kept secrets of that game was that referee Tucker merely suspended play initially in that epic first encounter. Bert Hindson, a Luton resident for some 30 years but born within a good goal kick of Maine Road and still one of the club's keenest followers recalls: "It was not widely known at the time, but when the referee took off both teams, he did so with the intention of resuming the match later if the rain, which had tipped down all day, eased."

"Luton had been doing a bit of play-acting during the match, telling the ref they couldn't find the centre spot to kick off each time City scored. So when he called off both sides, the home team immediately stripped and jumped in the bath. So by the time the referee came into the dressing room to tell them he was considering a resumption, all the Luton players pleaded they were already in the bath so the official explanation then came out that the tie was being abandoned."

## Failed

Tonight City and Luton clash in a game that amounts to a coming of age. This is the 21st meeting in League and Cup competition in the last 40 years . . . and not once has either side failed to score. So don't expect a scoreless bore!

FA Cup ties leave City on top with four victories and two for Luton. There has been one drawn game . . . and one abandoned.

Start of the trail was 1936 when City won a fourth round tie 2-1 at Maine Road. Two years later, the Blues went to Kenilworth Road in the fifth round and Frank Swift, that legendary goalkeeper, played a major role in the Blues 3-1 victory.

For the next Cup confrontation, move on to 1953, a stage when Luton were on the verge of moulding a team that was to take them into the First Division for the first time in history.

When the sides clashed at Maine Road, Ivor Broadis, City's clever Welsh international wizard, scored for the home side with Jesse Pye hitting Luton's equaliser that earned them a replay. Despite City possessing some great names that included Don Revie, Roy Paul and Dave Ewing, Gordon Turner helped himself to a hat-trick in Town's 5-1 replay victory, Billie Spurle scoring City's lone goal.

In 1955, with the Revie Plan sweeping soccer, Luton felt confident when the fifth round paired them with City at Kenilworth Road. But another Welshman starred for City with Roy Clarke hitting both goals in a 2-0 win. The Blues went on to Wembley that year, but they were beaten 3-1 by Newcastle United.

The most recent Cup meeting between the teams was in 1969 and again victory over Luton saw City move on to Wembley, this time with a more successful outcome. Francis Lee's penalty—inevitably!—gave the Blues

victory by the only goal in a third round tie at Maine Road and with Newcastle (4th round replay), Blackburn Rovers (fifth round), Spurs (sixth round), Everton (semi-final) brushed aside, City went to the Final where Neil Young's first half goal against Leicester was enough to bring the FA Cup back to Maine Road.

City are hoping that fate again takes a hand tonight with success once more pushing manager Tony Book and company further along the road to Wembley.

## UNDER THE WEATHER IN BOTH GAMES

CITY'S chief scout Ken Barnes remembers that epic cup-tie at Luton when Denis Law netted seven goals in a tie the Blues somehow managed to lose. But Ken remembers the match not for the magic of the 'King'—but for very different reasons.

Ken was City's captain and he was involved in a tug-of-war with referee Ken Tucker and some of the Luton players when it looked as if the game was in danger of being called off.

Says Ken: "I knew Ken Tucker very well and he kept saying to me: 'It looks as if I will have to call it off'."

"It was raining hard and there was a lot of mud on the ground, but we had been knocking the ball about as if it was a summer's day."

"The Luton players were pressing the referee to call the game off because they knew there was no way they were going to win. Then he called us off and after a few minutes deliberation in the dressing room he called a halt."

It's soccer history now that Luton, after trailing 6-2 in that first tie, won the replay 3-1. Law scored that goal and the six in the original tie. But Ken insists that the true story of the second game never went into print.

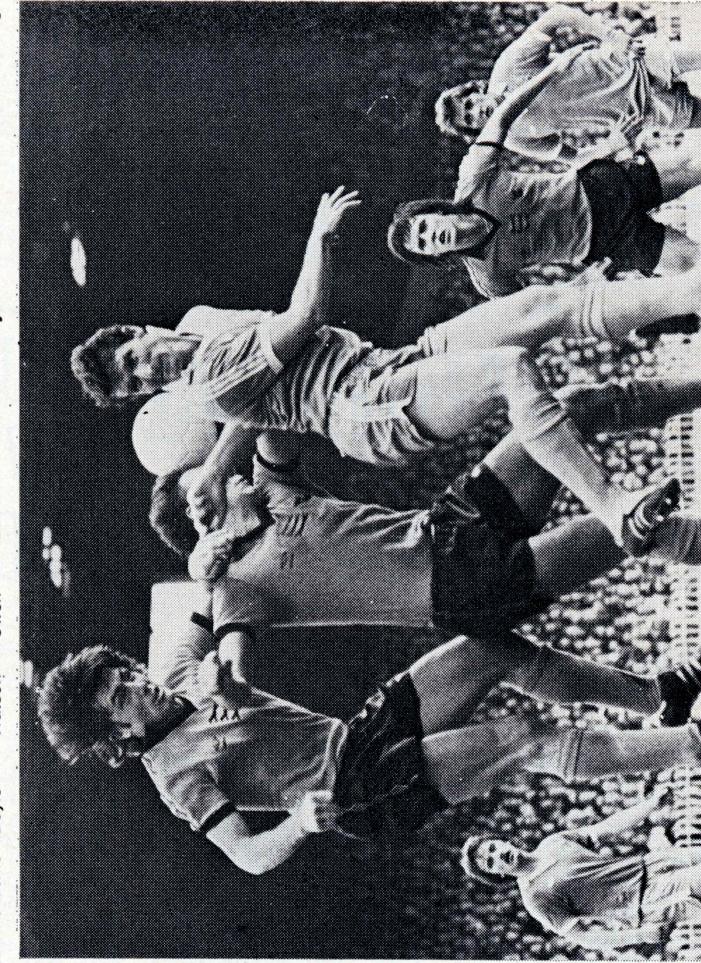
"They were all too interested in Luton's comeback. In the replay I was injured after only 10 minutes and was forced to go on to the wings. In those days there was no such thing as substitutes and I was a passenger."

"So we played nearly the whole of the game with ten men. Believe me, I still curse that 'friendly' referee every time the subject crops up."

City's team for both games was: Trautmann; Leivers, Betts; Barnes, Shawcross, Plenderleith, Barlow, Hannah, Baker, Law, Hayes.

## 1977-78 Line-Up Details

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Date	Opponents	Pos	Attend	1	2	3	4	5	6
1977									
Aug 20	LEICESTER CITY	0-0	—	45,963	Corrigan	Clements	Donachie	Doyle	Watson
Aug 24	Aston Villa	0-0	—	40,121	Corrigan	Clements	Donachie	Doyle	Watson
Sept. 27	West Ham United	0-1	—	25,278	Corrigan	Clements	Donachie x	Doyle	Watson
Sept. 31	Chesterfield (LC2)	1-0	—	14,282	Corrigan	Clements	Donachie	Doyle	Watson
Sept. 3	NORWICH CITY	4-0	1	41,269	Corrigan	Clements	Donachie	Owen	Watson
Sept. 10	MANCHESTER UNITED	3-1	1	50,856	Corrigan	Clements	Donachie	Owen	Watson
Sept. 14	WIDZEW LODZ	2-2	—	33,695	Corrigan	Clements	Donachie	Doyle	Watson
Sept. 17	UEFA CUP 1st Round	1st Leg	—	24,668	Corrigan	Clements	Donachie	Owen	Watson
Sept. 24	Queens Park Rangers	1-1	...	41,897	Corrigan	Clements	Donachie	Owen	Watson
Sept. 28	BRISTOL CITY	0-0	—	40,000	Corrigan	Doyle	Doyle	Doyle	Watson
Oct. 5	UEFA Cup 2nd Leg	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Oct. 1	Everton	1-1	1	43,286	Corrigan	Clements	Donachie	Owen	Watson
Oct. 4	Coventry City	2-4	2	19,586	Corrigan	Clements x	Donachie x	Kidd	Watson x
Oct. 8	ARSENAL	2-1	2	43,177	Corrigan	Clements	Donachie	Owen	Watson
Oct. 15	Nottingham Forest	1-2	4	35,572	Corrigan	Power	Donachie	Owen	Doyle x
Oct. 22	WOLVERHAMPTON	0-2	5	42,730	Corrigan	Doyle	Donachie	Owen	Watson
Oct. 29	Luton Town (LC3)	1-1	5	18,443	Corrigan	Clements	Donachie	Owen	Watson x
Oct. 30	Leeds United	1-1	5	18,443	Corrigan	Clements	Donachie	Owen	Watson
Oct. 31	Southampton	1-1	5	18,443	Corrigan	Clements	Donachie	Owen	Watson
Nov. 4	Sheffield Wednesday	1-1	5	18,443	Corrigan	Clements	Donachie	Owen	Watson
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Nov. 25	Leeds United	1-1	5	18,443	Corrigan	Clements	Donachie	Owen	Watson
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Sept. 4	Leeds United	1-1	5	18,443	Corrigan	Clements	Donachie	Owen	Watson
Sept. 11	Sheffield Wednesday	1-1	5	18,443	Corrigan	Clements	Donachie	Owen	Watson
Sept. 18	Southampton	1-1	5	18,443	Corrigan	Clements	Donachie	Owen	Watson
Sept. 25	Leeds United	1-1	5	18,443	Corrigan	Clements	Donachie	Owen	Watson
Oct. 2	Sheffield Wednesday	1-1	5	18,443	Corrigan	Clements	Donachie	Owen	Watson
Oct. 9	Southampton	1-1	5	18,443	Corrigan	Clements	Donachie	Owen	Watson
Oct. 16	Leeds United	1-1	5	18,443	Corrigan	Clements	Donachie	Owen	Watson
Oct. 23	Sheffield Wednesday	1-1	5	18,443	Corrigan	Clements	Donachie	Owen	Watson
Oct. 30	Southampton	1-1	5	18,443	Corrigan	Clements	Donachie	Owen	Watson
Nov. 6	Leeds United	1-1	5	18,443	Corrigan	Clements	Donachie	Owen	Watson
Nov. 13	Sheffield Wednesday	1-1	5	18,443	Corrigan	Clements	Donachie	Owen	Watson
Nov. 20	Southampton	1-1	5	18,443	Corrigan	Clements	Donachie	Owen	Watson
Nov. 27	Leeds United	1-1	5	18,443	Corrigan	Clements	Donachie	Owen	Watson
Dec. 4	Sheffield Wednesday	1-1	5	18,443	Corrigan	Clements	Donachie	Owen	Watson
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Jan. 1	Southampton	1-1	5	18,443	Corrigan	Clements	Donachie	Owen	Watson
Jan. 8	Leeds United	1-1	5	18,443	Corrigan	Clements	Donachie	Owen	Watson
Jan. 15	Sheffield Wednesday	1-1	5	18,443	Corrigan	Clements	Donachie	Owen	Watson
Jan. 22	Southampton	1-1	5	18,443	Corrigan	Clements	Donachie	Owen	Watson
Jan. 29	Leeds United	1-1	5	18,443	Corrigan	Clements	Donachie	Owen	Watson
Feb. 5	Sheffield Wednesday	1-1	5	18,443	Corrigan	Clements	Donachie	Owen	Watson
Feb. 12	Southampton	1-1	5	18,443	Corrigan	Clements	Donachie	Owen	Watson
Feb. 19	Leeds United	1-1	5	18,443	Corrigan	Clements	Donachie	Owen	Watson
Feb. 26	Sheffield Wednesday	1-1	5	18,443	Corrigan	Clements	Donachie	Owen	Watson
Mar. 5	Southampton	1-1	5	18,443	Corrigan	Clements	Donachie	Owen	Watson
Mar. 12	Leeds United	1-1	5	18,443	Corrigan	Clements	Donachie	Owen	Watson
Mar. 19	Sheffield Wednesday	1-1	5	18,443	Corrigan	Clements	Donachie	Owen	Watson
Mar. 26	Southampton	1-1	5	18,443	Corrigan	Clements	Donachie	Owen	Watson
Apr. 2	Leeds United	1-1	5	18,443	Corrigan	Clements	Donachie	Owen	Watson
Apr. 9	Sheffield Wednesday	1-1	5	18,443	Corrigan	Clements	Donachie	Owen	Watson
Apr. 16	Southampton	1-1							



Gritty mid-air challenge from City's Mike Doyle foils Wolves striker John Richards during the home match which the Blues

11	NOTTINGHAM FOREST	(F.A.C. 6)
18	Wolves (League Cup Final)	.....
21	Liverpool	.....
25	MIDDLESBROUGH	.....
27	Newcastle United	.....
1	IPSWICH TOWN	.....
8	Chelsea (F.A. Cup S.F.)	.....
15	WEST BROMWICH ALBION	.....
22	Birmingham City	.....
26	Coventry City	.....

## **Facts & Figures from the First Division**

	AWAY				HOME				Average Home League Attendance			Average Home League Attendance Last Season		Top League Scorer	
	P	W	D	L	F	A	W	D	L	F	A	Pts			
Nottingham Forest	13	6	1	0	17	2	4	1	1	11	6	22	27,790	24,775	Withe 10
Liverpool	13	5	1	0	10	0	2	3	2	6	8	18	47,147	48,396	Dalglish 7
Everton	13	3	3	1	13	9	3	2	1	13	5	17	37,690	29,936	Latchford 7
CITY	13	5	1	1	14	5	2	2	2	10	9	17	44,315	40,088	Tuart 5
W.B.A.	13	5	1	0	15	4	2	2	3	10	12	17	24,255	24,633	Brown (T) 7
Coventry City	13	3	2	1	13	9	4	1	2	11	9	17	19,779	21,180	Wallace 8
Norwich City	13	5	2	0	10	4	1	2	3	6	14	16	17,099	22,927	Gibbins 4, Peters 4
Arsenal	13	5	2	0	11	2	1	1	4	4	6	15	37,610	32,645	Stapleton 4, Macdonald 4
Aston Villa	13	4	0	3	10	8	2	3	1	8	7	15	38,945	37,474	Gray 5
Ipswich	13	4	1	1	10	6	0	4	3	3	9	13	24,272	26,761	Mariner 4
Wolves	13	2	2	3	11	11	2	2	2	8	8	12	21,789	25,983	Richards 7
Leeds United	13	2	3	1	8	7	1	3	3	11	13	12	29,459	30,530	Hankin 9
Manchester United	12	3	1	1	7	4	2	1	4	9	13	12	55,713	53,710	Macari 6
Birmingham	13	3	1	2	10	8	2	1	4	7	13	12	24,503	28,322	Francis 7
Middlesbrough	13	3	2	1	9	6	1	2	4	16	13	12	25,275	21,467	Mills 6
Derby County	13	1	4	1	9	7	2	1	4	7	13	11	23,759	25,159	Hughes 5
Chelsea	13	2	3	2	6	5	1	1	4	2	8	10	24,215	30,600	Langley 2
Q.P.R.	13	2	2	3	9	12	0	3	3	6	9	9	22,753	21,156	Eastoe 4
West Ham United	13	9	4	3	6	11	2	1	3	9	11	9	26,391	21,226	Robson 4
Bristol City	12	2	2	2	11	12	0	1	5	0	6	7	23,528	24,011	Cormack, 3 Ritchie 3, Mabbutt 3
Leicester City	13	1	2	4	3	12	0	2	4	1	10	6	18,944	17,655	Four equal top
Newcastle United	13	2	0	4	8	12	0	1	6	8	18	5	26,521	32,006	Burns 6

### **FIRST TEAM APPEARANCE**

## **CENTRAL LEAGUE APPEARANCES**

	Pld	Sub	Gls.
Keith MacRae .....	15	—	—
Ray Ranson .....	12	—	—
Steve Sherlock .....	13	—	—
Gerard Keegan .....	13	—	3
Ronnie Evans .....	15	—	—
Jim Conway .....	12	—	—
Tony Henry .....	13	—	5
Russell Coughlin .....	9	—	—
Dave A. Bennett .....	9	4	5
Noel Bradley .....	10	—	—
Colin Bell .....	9	—	1
Mike Doyle .....	3	—	—
Paul Power .....	2	—	2
Roger Palmer .....	15	—	11
Dave Moss .....	6	1	—
Peter Barnes .....	1	1	—
Gary Owen .....	1	—	—
Steve McCormick .....	2	3	2
Joe Royle .....	3	—	4
Dennis Tueart .....	1	—	1
Mike Channon .....	1	—	—
Steve Vass .....	2	—	—
Dave P. Bennett .....	—	1	—
Paul Waddington .....	—	1	—

## Souvenir Sh

The official City Souvenir Shop is situated next to the Social Club. In addition there are selling points in the ground at the Kippax end and also from the Caravans on the forecourt, near the Ticket Office.

No other shop has any connection with the club  
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Send for a price list enclosing s.a.e. envelope and see how the service can make you a happy Blue.

## TRAVEL CLUB

**S** There will be a charter train for the match at Ipswich on November 5th, price £6. The train departs from Piccadilly Station at 8.45 a.m., calling at Stockport at 8.56 a.m.

Coaches will also depart from the Social Club at 8.00 a.m. Price £5.

6, Kindly note that there will be no bookings for any away matches after Thursday of any week of the match.

TRAVEL CLUB TEL: 226 5047

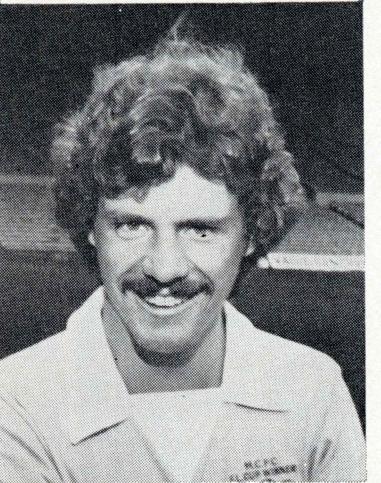
# Junior Scene

"THE man with the thunderbolt shot" is a title that suitably fits young professional **Ronnie Evans**. Not just his soccer shooting, either—his off-drives and cuts as a number three batsman for Green End Cricket Club prove that. Indeed, as a ten year old, Ronnie became a regular in both the Manchester Boys Under 11's soccer and cricket teams.

Ronnie also played in Cup winning sides in both sports at that age... as a left half in the soccer team and as a number three batsman and opening bowler in the Manchester Schools' Cup Winning cricket side.

Fortunately for City, cricket took second place for a spell at Yew Tree Secondary School in South Manchester and Ronnie's footballing talent earned him the captaincy of

## Profile Ronnie Evans



by Roger Reade

*Junior Blues Secretary*

the Manchester Boys under 15's side.

It was this side that took him to a unique schoolboys' treble, capturing the Manchester, Lancashire and English Schoolboys trophies as a fifteen year old.

Ronnie who lives at home with his parents in Northenden, then signed schoolboy forms with City. He appeared for the 'A' and 'B' teams for a time before making his Central League debut in August 1975, at home to Huddersfield Town reserves. Significantly, it was about one year later in the corresponding game that Ronnie scored his first Central League goal... a decisive one it proved to be, too, as City won 3-2.

spent much of his life out there. Seventeen year old Grant, whose favourite player at City is Dennis Tueart, is currently staying with his parents at their Princess Road home, just a stone's throw from Maine Road. He, too, says that he may be returning to Rhodesia soon.

Both Jason and Grant, however, confirm that their support for City will be maintained at home or

abroad, which highlights the enthusiasm and loyalty of these international Junior Blues members.

Both received a specially autographed certificate to commemorate the occasion as well as £5 worth of premium bonds kindly donated by Norman Taylor of Taylock Metals (Manchester) Limited.



JUNIOR Blues of the Month for September and October were a couple of much-travelled youngsters now living in Manchester.

Nine year old **Jason Thomas** (the September choice) was a resident of Shioyo Chi, Taramiku, Kobe in Japan until recently when his parents returned to live in the Failsworth area of Manchester. Jason's favourite player is Brian Kidd—and it was Brian who signed and presented the commemorative certificate to him.

Another fairly new recruit to the Junior Blues ranks is seven year old **Adam Thomas**, Jason's brother, who also came to Maine Road with his Mum and Uncle as guests of the Club after the Arsenal game recently. The chances are that they will soon be returning to Japan due to Dad's work out there, despite a family love of Manchester City.

October choice, **Grant Roberts**, is a Rhodesian by birth and has twenty



Winners Jason Thomas (left) and Grant Roberts (right) are seen with their certificates and their City idols Dennis Tueart and Brian Kidd after the recent game at Maine Road against Arsenal.

Photo submitted by Mike Craven

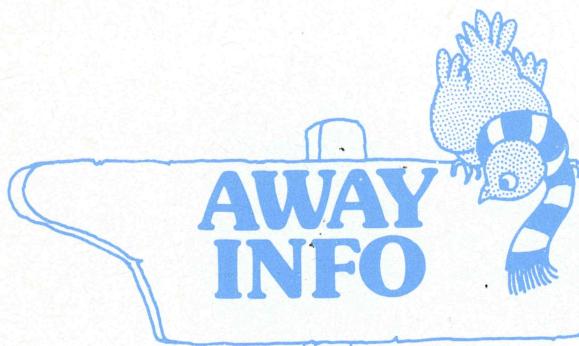


## FOXING THE WOLVES

**Gary Owen**

**Mike Channon**





Saturday, November 5th, v IPSWICH TOWN [League]  
[at Portman Road, Ipswich, Suffolk IP1 2DA]

A6 via Stockport to Chapel-en-le-Frith junction with A623 **23 miles**  
A623/619 via Peak Forest Culver and Baslow to Chesterfield junction with A617 **47 miles**  
A617 via Mansfield to Newark **79 miles**  
A1 south via Grantham and Stamford by-passes to Alconbury junction with A14 and A14 to Huntingdon junction with A604 **142 miles**  
A604 to Cambridge junction with A45 **158 miles**  
A45 via Newmarket, Bury St. Edmunds and Stowmarket to Ipswich **213 miles**  
Ipswich Town F.C. ground is in Portman Road. Enter town on A45 (Norwich Road) which runs into St. Matthew's Street. Turn right at roundabout and along Civic Drive (A1022) to next roundabout, then right again into Handford Road and first left into Portman Road.

There are no seats available, Ipswich explaining that these are all sold to season ticket holders before the season begins. Standing tickets are priced £1. Ground capacity is 38,000.

**Where to Stand:** Standing spectators are advised to go to the North Stand End where the police will assist in segregating them from the home supporters.

**Where to Park:** Coaches and cars may park in the area at West End Road, which is very close to the ground. There are also large parks in Portman Road, Portman's Walk, and off Princess Street at Greyfriars Park.

**In-City Travel:** The ground is situated centrally and is only two minutes walk from the main Ipswich Railway Station. The town centre is five minutes away and local buses run frequently past the Portman Road ground.

**Other Info:** There are bars sited around the ground, and there is also the 'Centre Spot' bar in Portman Road. There are four club shops sited on the ground and these stock a wide range of souvenirs. Programmes are priced at 20p and are available inside the ground.

**City Strip:** City will play in their all-change strip of white shirts with red and black diagonal sash across the chest, black shorts and stockings, with diamond trim.

Saturday, November 19th v West Bromwich Albion  
[at The Hawthorns, West Bromwich B71 4LF]

A56 and A556 to M6 intersection 19 at Tabley **15 miles**  
M6/M5 (follow 'South West' and 'Wales' signs) southbound to intersection 1, junction with A41 (Follow 'Birmingham West' signs) to West Bromwich **74 miles**

West Bromwich Albion football ground (The Hawthorns) is 300 yards towards Birmingham on your right after joining the A41 from M6.

Tickets now available by post and can be obtained up to two weeks in advance by personal application. Prices are 200p for the Wing Stand, 250p for the Centre Stand. There are several unreserved seats available on the day of the match, at pitch level, priced at 150p. Ground capacity is 44,000, of which 12,500 are seats.

**Where to Stand:** Standing spectators are advised to go to the Smethwick End, which is partly covered and entrance is 100p, with no half prices.

**Where to Park:** Coaches are advised to park in Halfords Lane, which is two minutes walk from the Smethwick End. Street parking for cars is permitted in certain areas, all within 10 minutes walk of the ground.

**In-City Travel:** A special bus service from the centre of West Bromwich to the ground runs every three minutes on match days. Buses 72, 74, 75 and 79 also operate to The Hawthorns from outside Birmingham New Street Station.

**Other Info:** Post-match entertainment is provided in the Supporters' Club adjoining the ground and first-class facilities are at The Hawthorns Throstle Club alongside the ground, where a full-course lunch can be obtained. There are also snack bars inside the ground. Several restaurants are within walking distance of the ground. The club have a souvenir shop in the Pools Office in Halford's Lane which has an extensive choice. Programmes are priced at 20p and are available both inside and outside the ground.

**City Colours:** City hope to be wearing their first-choice strip of sky blue shirts, shorts and stockings with white diamond trim.

S.A.E. envelopes must accompany all postal applications.

## ??Quiz Answers??

- 1 City won the January 1969 F.A. Cup tie against Luton by the only goal, scored from the penalty spot by Francis Lee. And of the current City playing staff, only two members appeared in the Blues line-up that day—Mike Doyle at right half and Tommy Booth at centre half. Glyn Pardoe, now the club's junior coach, was at right back.
- 2 Dennis Tueart netted the last League goal scored by the Blues against Luton. It came in the 12th minute of the match at Kenilworth Road, the closing game of the 1974-75 season, but it was an advantage wiped out when Jim Ryan equalised in the second half.
- 3 Centre half Syd Owen was the Footballer of the Year for the 1958-59 season, the first and only time the honour has gone to a Luton player.
- 4 England honours went to goalkeepers Bernard Streten and Ron Baynham. Streten received his only 'cap' against Northern Ireland in 1950 while six years later Ron Baynham was on international duty in three games—against Northern Ireland, Denmark and Spain.
- 5 The club's record sale was for the move of striker Malcolm Macdonald to Newcastle United in May 1971. They received £180,000 in the deal.
- 6 Bruce Rioch has been a key midfield figure for Scotland in the campaign which has taken them to the World Cup Finals in Argentina. Bruce began his League career with Luton, for whom he had 148 League appearances, and was sold to Aston Villa for £100,000 in July 1969.
- 7 Ron Fletcher was the leading League scorer for Luton last season. He netted 13 goals, just one more than Jimmy Husband.
- 8 The high-scoring feat was performed by Joe Payne, who hammered 10 goals past Bristol Rovers in a Third Division (South) match on April 13th, 1936. Luton won 12-0.
- 9 Luton appeared in the 1958-59 Cup Final when they were beaten 2-1 by Nottingham Forest, scoring their consolation goal through Pacey.
- 10 Luton were relegated from the First Division at the end of the 1974-75 season and were just one point behind Tottenham in the bid to escape the fate. Carlisle were foot of the table with 29 points, Chelsea were 21st with 33 points while Luton also had 33 points.

## HALF-TIME SCOREBOARD

LEAGUE CUP REPLAYS

A	BURY MILLWALL	.....
B	SWINDON TOWN PORTSMOUTH	.....
C		.....
D		.....
E		.....
F		.....
G		.....
H		.....
J		.....

## THE LAST TIME in the League Cup

FOOTBALL LEAGUE CUP—4th round  
Wednesday, 14th November  
City 1.....Luton Town 0 [Half-time 1-0]

**CITY:** Dowd, Kennedy, Sear; Benson, Leivers, Oakes; Young, Dobby, Harley, Hannah, Wagstaff.

**LUTON:** Baynham; McNally, Bramwell; Morton, Pacey, Groves; Walden, McKechnie, Turner, McGuffie, Fleming.

**Goalscorer:** Harley (for City)

Attendance: 8,682.



**Junior Blues**

Membership subs are now due for all members who joined before March this year and whose membership numbers are between 1 and 5899. This is your final chance to renew your subs, priced at £1.50 for single members, £2.50 for two, £3.00 for three, etc. for full membership.

If you have any query on this please contact the Junior Blues Office at Maine Road. **Don't forget!!**

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# CITY

Sky blue shirts, shorts and stockings  
with white diamond trim



# Luton Town

Orange shirts with white and navy vertical stripe down  
the left side, navy blue shorts, orange stockings.

## 1. JOE CORRIGAN

It's exactly two years since he missed a first team game, that absence being through illness at Sheffield United on November 1st, 1975.

## 2. KENNY CLEMENTS

Won his first team place back in the original tie at Luton one week ago after serving the side as 'sub' for two League matches.

## 3. WILLIE DONACHIE

He's one of the three members of this side—Donachie and Barnes are the others—who survive from the team that featured in the last meeting against Luton at Maine Road, a 1-0 win on October 19th, 1974.

## 4. MIKE DOYLE

Omitted from the line-up at Luton, he regained his place in defence last Saturday when injury ruled Tommy Booth out of his first match this season. Mike's previous game had been at right back.

## 5. DAVE WATSON Captain

Received his second booking of the season when the first tie was played at Luton last week. Hit impressive form last Saturday when he also laid on the Channon goal that gave City the lead.

## 6. GARY OWEN

Although he now totalled 56 games of senior experience, the tie against Luton last week was only his second appearance in the League Cup, both being this season.

## 7. PETER BARNES

His prompt scoring reply in the first meeting at Kenilworth Road earned this replay for the Blues. It was his fifth goal of the season.

## 8. MIKE CHANNON

Ended a run of five appearances without scoring when he put the Blues into the lead against Liverpool at the week-end, his fourth League goal of the season.

## 9. JOE ROYLE

Celebrated his recall to the first team last Saturday—after a four-match absence—with the final goal in the 3-1 triumph over Liverpool.

## 10. BRIAN KIDD

Scored his fifth goal of the season with the equaliser against Liverpool last Saturday, now giving the Blues four equal top scorers, Tueart, Channon and Barnes being level with 'Kiddo'.

## 11. PAUL POWER

Earned the Blues man-of-the-match honours at Luton last week, the fifth time this season he has taken the individual honours in the first team.

Sub:

**Referee: ROGER KIRKPATRICK (Leicester)**

**Red Flag—L. A. BATES**

**(Acton Trussell, Staffs.)**

**Linesmen: Orange Flag—F. PHIPPS (Wirral)**

**Editor: Paul Doherty**

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## 1. MILIJA ALEKSIC

Son of Yugoslav parents he was with Stafford Rangers after an uneventful period with Port Vale. Bought by Plymouth and they sold him to Luton for £20,000 in January this year after he'd been on loan.

## 2. PAUL PRICE

Broke his leg twice before establishing a first team place. Been a pro' since July 1971 and made his League debut as 'sub' at Oxford in April 1973. It was almost three years later before his next senior match.

## 3. STEVE BUCKLEY

Elder brother, Alan, plays for Walsall. Steve began as a free-scoring left winger with Burton Albion and was sold to Luton for £2,000 in April 1974. Had his first League game at Leicester in October 1974.

## 4. ALAN WEST Captain

Hails from nearby Hyde who began his career with Burnley where he won his first England under-23 'cap' after only 35 League games. Sale agreed to Sunderland for £70,000 in 1973 but cancelled on medical grounds and he joined Luton.

## 5. JOHN FAULKNER

Played amateur for Sutton United and after a 6-0 F.A. Cup defeat against Leeds he was signed by the Yorkshire club. Had his League debut for them at Burnley in April 1970, but in March 1972 was sold to Luton for £5,000.

## 6. PAUL FUTCHER

England under-21 choice having his bow for them in December last year against Wales. Started with Chester and set up a record deal for a 17 year old when he was bought by Luton for £100,000 in May 1974.

## 7. JIMMY HUSBAND

Signed pro' for Everton in October 1964 and added England Youth caps to his international schoolboy honours. Won five under-23 call-ups and was in Everton's defeated 1968 F.A. Cup Final side. Signed for Luton in 1973.

## 8. RICKY HILL

From the Cricklewood area of London he began at Luton as an apprentice from schools soccer in the north of the capital. Son of Jamaican parents he was capped by England youth and signed pro' in May last year.

## 9. RON FUTCHER

Twin brother of Paul and identical in looks. Cost £25,000, also from Chester, in July 1974 and soon made his mark with a hat-trick in his second game in the First Division, against Wolves. Debut for them was in December 1974 at Ipswich.

## 10. PASQUALE FUCCILLO

Has Italian parents, who settled in Bedford and he's been nicknamed 'Lil'. Began as an apprentice in 1973, signing pro' in July the following year. Made his League debut in 1974 as a sub. Scored in his next appearance, at York in February 1976.

## 11. PHIL BOERSMA

From Liverpool he started at Anfield as an amateur in December 1966. League debut at West Brom in September 1969. After a loan spell with Wrexham he went to Middlesbrough for £70,000 in December 1975. Cost Luton £35,000 this year.

Sub:

Started refereeing in 1949 in Leicester local leagues and via the Southern League was taken on the full League list in 1966. Was in charge of the 1972-73 F.A. Youth Cup Final and last year had control of the National Association of Youth Clubs Cup Final.

Married, with two sons, he is a franchise consultant. Keenly interested in physical fitness, playing golf, squash and five-a-side soccer.