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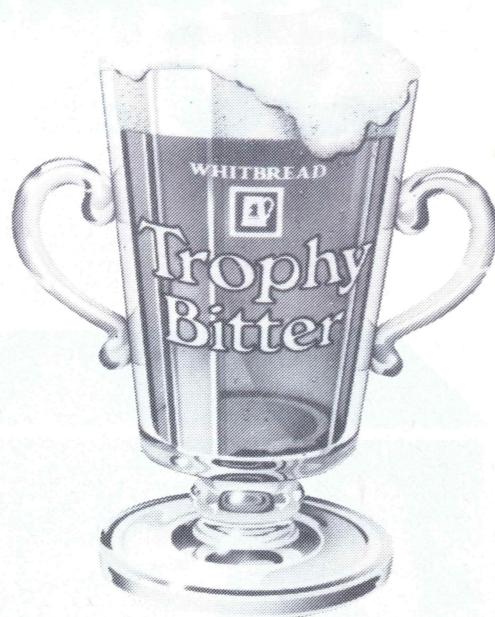
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DAVID PLEAT

WELCOME to Kenilworth Road for another cup-tie. We are all hoping that it will be a good game, and that we shall get through to make more progress. My other hope is that cup-tie tension doesn't affect us.

I have watched Crewe, and I know they will provide a stiff test. They are a well-organised team who work well for each other.

As a manager I respect all opposing teams, and there is no question of taking tonight's task lightly. Complacency before a game can be absolutely fatal, and if we are guilty of it I have no doubt Crewe will take full advantage.

Perhaps the formbook might suggest that we should win, because Crewe are at present in the Fourth Division. But they can go out on that pitch tonight with everything to play for and nothing to lose. Cup-ties are notorious for shock results, as this season's League Cup games have shown, and you can't afford to take any opponents lightly.

Whatever happens, I hope that we can provide good entertainment.

Elsewhere in this programme mention is made of our youth team's success in winning the Eastern Junior Cup last week. It was a good performance by our lads, and I was very pleased to see it.

Ipswich had a good side and played some good football, and they did a tremendous job in coming back from two down.

Our boys had to get going again, and they did very well to come through with a late winning goal. And support on the night was also important to the lads, and I only hope that tonight's match will be our second consecutive cup win at Kenilworth Road! Have a good match, and don't forget to come back on Saturday to give us a cheer against Wrexham.



Crewe Alexandra

Back Row *Phil Nicholls, Peter Caswell, Drew Brand (Now Everton) Kevin Rafferty, Ian Roberts.*
Middle Row *Harry Gregg (Manager), Dai Davies, Paul Bowles, Paul Bevan, Steve Wilshaw, Colin Spence, Hughie Cheetham, Warwick Rimmer (Player Coach).*
Front Row *Richard Wainwright, Shaun Hollinshead, Peter Coyne, Bernard Purdie (Capt.) Dennis Nelson, Kevin Tully, David Hughes, David Cole.*

Photo by Courtesy of Crewe Chronicle.



PAUL BEVAN — Now starting on his fourth season at Crewe, he was previously with Shrewsbury Town and Swansea City. Last Season he mainly occupied one of the defensive positions but has also been utilised as a striker. An excellent competitor.

PAUL BOWLES — Manchester born he was one of the first to graduate through the apprentice scheme. Came into the League side in the 1974/75 Season and is a regular member

of the first team squad. A central defender who has attracted the attention of many clubs in higher Divisions. **PETER CASWELL** — Born Leatherhead Surrey. Had trials as a Junior with Chelsea but was signed by Crystal Palace. When released by the London Club went to Australia returning this Summer. A young player who should do well, with specialised goalkeeping tuition from Manager Harry Gregg.

HUGHIE CHEETHAM — Also hails from the Manchester area. Came through the apprentice ranks and first made the first team in the 1975/76 Season. A left sided player he was drafted in as an emergency left back last Season with great success. An excellent ball player who enjoys his game.

PETER COYNE — Hit the headlines as a schoolboy International and was signed by Manchester United. He was released by the Old Trafford club and joined Ashton United in the Cheshire County League. Joined Crewe in the early part of last Season and finished as the leading scorer with 16 goals. Has spent the Summer in the United States. **DAVID (DAI) DAVIES** — His career started with Swansea City. He came to Crewe in the Summer of 1975 and has been a regular first team player ever since. Has usually operated in the outside right position. A tall and deceptive player.

DAVID HUGHES — Signed just before the start of the Season. Was formerly with Bury, Southport and a spell as Player Manager at Barrow. Normally plays in a midfield role. An experienced player who should prove to be a useful asset to the side.

DENNIS NELSON — A Scot, this is his second spell at Gresty Road, for after a spell with Crewe he joined Reading in March 1976 and returned in the Close Season. A striker, he is a consistent marksman who openly admits "he enjoys scoring goals".

PHIL NICHOLLS — Born at Wolverhampton, he too has

returned to the club this Summer. He originally joined Crewe from Wolves and had several Seasons at Crewe before going to Bradford City in March 1977. Is equally at home as a defender or in one of the front positions.

BERNARD PURDIE — Appointed as Club Captain for the current season and is now the longest serving player on the staff, this being his sixth season here at Crewe. Was formerly with Chester and Wrexham. A regular first team player and always gets on the scoring list each season. **WARWICK RIMMER** — Player Coach to the side. He came to Gresty Road from Bolton Wanderers in March 1975. A player of immense experience who sets a fine example to all. Is equally at home in either a midfield role or in one of the defensive positions.

IAN ROBERTS — Was spotted when playing with Glasgow Rangers Boys Club and came through the apprentice ranks at Shrewsbury Town and into the first team pool. This is his third Season at Crewe and usually plays in the left back position. Was dogged by injury last Season.

JIMMY ROBERTSON — A former Scottish International who has a lot of experience with Arsenal, Stoke City and Walsall. Has now fully recovered from a broken leg.

COLIN SPENCE — He also came from Glasgow Rangers Boys Club and signed full time forms last Season. Only 18 he came into the league side for 9 full appearances and 6 as substitute last season. Seems assured of a bright future.

KEVIN TULLY — His career commenced at Blackpool but he came to Crewe from Cambridge United during the 1975/76 Season. A left sided player who enjoys taking on opposing defences. Has a tremendous left foot shot and has scored some spectacular goals.

STEVE WILSHAW — Was released by Stoke City at the end of last Season and signed in July. Gained valuable experience in their Central League side and now looks forward to regular first team football, at Gresty Road.

LEAGUE CUP

LUTON TOWN'S record in the Football League Cup is not one to excite attention. From the following table it will be seen that our best result so far was reaching the fourth round in the 62/63 season. After beating Southport and Barnsley in the 2nd. and 3rd. rounds we met Manchester City at Maine Road but lost 1-0 before a crowd of 8,692, Harley scoring for the City in the first half.

Another epic struggle was in the 72/73 season when after two replays the Hatters were finally beaten by Birmingham 1-0 at Northampton, Trevor Francis, who was then an apprentice, scoring the only goal in the second half. Playing in the two replays was our BOB HATTON.

When the Football League Cup was introduced in 1960, it did not receive universal approval or unanimous support of the Football League clubs. But in spite of this unhappy beginning the competition proved itself, overcoming all difficulties and opposition to become a highly popular knock-out competition, attracting more than 2,000,000 spectators every year.

Since 1967 the Final has been held at WEMBLEY and from that date the winners, if they were a First Division club were nominated by the Football League and the Football Association for the former Inter-Cities Fairs Cup. Now they enter the U.E.F.A. Cup.

The league Cup was inaugurated at the Annual Meeting of the Football League in May 1960 when the clubs approved a proposal along these lines by 31 votes to 15. Entry was optional and it was not until the 69/70 season that all 92 league clubs entered.

For so long the poor relation of the English domestic cup competitions, the Football League Cup 'arrived' at last when the 1978 final threw up indisputably the country's top two teams, Nottingham Forest, destined to go on and win the league for the first time in their 113-year history, and Liverpool, the runners-up and European Champions. Both reached the tournaments final for the first time, and to do so they

both had to eliminate other top clubs in the semi-finals, when for only the third time in the League Cup's history four First Division clubs contested the penultimate stage. Leeds were sent packing by Forest, who won both legs by two clear goals, delighting in the process Brian Clough, who could not have hoped for a more satisfactory way of getting revenge on his previous club, who had, of course, severed his connection with them after a mere 44 days. Liverpool endured a far more strenuous passage, beating Arsenal by the odd goal in three at Anfield before surviving the game at Highbury in their best soak-it-all-up European away-leg tradition.

Liverpool started off favourites at Old Trafford in the Final replay, but before a crowd of 54,375, they fell to Forest 1-0 after a penalty scored by Robertson in the second half.

Tonight's game with Crewe Alexandra is the 3rd. round leg and if our performance is up to scratch we should equal our 62/63 record and go into the fourth round.

LEAGUE CUP TABLE					
Year	Opponents	Results	Round		
60/61	Liverpool	H 1-1 A 5-2	2		
61/62	Northampton	H 2-1	1		
	Rotherham	H 0-0 A 0-2	2		
62/63	Southport	A 1-3	2		
	Barnsley	A 1-2	3		
	Man. City	A 1-0	4		
64/65	Port Vale	A 0-1	1		
	Aston Villa	H 0-1	2		
65/66	Brighton	H 1-1 A 0-2	1		
66/67	Aldershot	A 2-2 H 1-2	1		
67/68	Charlton	H 1-1 A 2-1	1		
	Leeds	A 3-1	2		
68/69	Watford	H 3-0	1		
	Brighton	A 1-1 H 2-4	2		
	Everton	A 5-1	3		
69/70	Peterborough	A 1-1 H 2-5	1		
	Millwall	H 2-2 A 1-0	2		
	Sheffield U.	A 3-0	3		
70/71	Gillingham	A 0-1	1		
	Workington	H 3-0	2		
	Arsenal	H 0-1	3		
71/72	C. Palace	A 2-0	2		
72/73	Birmingham	H 1-1 A 1-1	2		
		A 1-0	2		

74/75	Bristol R.	H	1-0	2	
	Sheffield U.	A	2-0	3	
75/76	Darlington	A	2-1	2	
76/77	Sunderland	A	3-1	2	
77/78	Wolves	H	1-3	2	
	Manchester C.	H	1-1 A 0-0	3	
			A 2-3	3	

CREWE ALEXANDRA

OUR OPPONENTS tonight in the League Cup are Crewe Alexandra.

To their Directors, Manager, Players and Officials we offer a warm welcome and hope they enjoy their visit here, the first time since 1973.

Life is difficult at Crewe these days just as it has been for most of the time since they first came into the Football League. Their 3-0 defeat by Grimsby ten days ago left them in the last four in the Fourth Division with another uphill fight against having to make a re-election application, but they can take heart from the fact that after three successive applications in 1972, 1973 and 1974 they have avoided this indignity. That they have done so is due in main to the inspired leadership of Manager HARRY GREGG, who won the hearts of all football fans in the late 50's when just a few weeks after crawling out of the Munich Air Disaster he gave a series of inspired displays in goal to help take Manchester United to the F.A. Cup Final. Later he was to fight his way back to fitness when a serious shoulder injury seemed to have ended his career. A nasty car accident, the death of his first wife, a raw deal from referee Bill Clements, who ordered him off in his first game back after injury, these were other crises in Harry's playing career.

He came back fighting from them all and as a Manager he has again been seen at his best when things have looked grimmest. He managed both Shrewsbury and Swansea on shoestring budgets before tackling his present challenge at Crewe where his faith in a youth policy plus dedicated application throughout the club deserves to succeed.

All their team comes under the categories of either home-grown talent or bargain

signings and one man to look out for is PETER COYNE a former Manchester United junior who scored on his only first team appearance for them but had drifted to non-league Ashford before being recovered last season by Alexandra. He ended the season with 16 goals and was on the mark again last month with both goals in a 2-1 win at Newport. Up front with Peter tonight we shall probably see BERNARD PURDIE, now in his fifth season after spells with Wrexham and Chester. He netted in the previous round against Notts County as did STEVE WILSHAW, a useful recruit from Stoke.

Scotsman DENNIS NELSON has returned from Reading this season for his second spell at Grestie Road and he is in the running for a position up front while in mid-field DAVID DAVIES was previously with Harry Gregg at Swansea.

IAN ROBERTS also came from one of his managers former clubs, Shrewsbury, while PAUL BEVAN, another mid-fielder was at both Shrewsbury and Swansea. Paul can play in defence where WARWICK RIMMER, now in his third season after many years with Bolton, provides the experience and Paul BOWLES (brother of Stan, himself a one-time Crewe man) and HUGHIE CHEETHAM the youth and power. Behind them PETER CASWELL has come in this season to take over since the transfer of Geoff Crudgington to Swansea.

HISTORY

THE STORY of the Club's formation appears to be shrouded in some mystery. One version was that the original founders were inspired by the name of Alexandra, a pub where they used to gather, and this was how Crewe came to have an added identity. The most likely version though is that a group of enthusiasts got together to form a sports club at a time when the name of Princess Alexandra had caught popular imagination and this name became joined with Crewe to form their unusual name.

Crewe Alexandra, although one of the oldest clubs in the game, have not suffered the best of fortunes in their long career. Formed in 1877 (they celebrated their centenary recently) and being an original member of the Third Division, they have never managed to get beyond Division III since their re-election to Division IIIN. in 1921. They stayed in this League till 1958, their last 3 years being successively at the foot of the table. They have climbed into the Third Division twice, in 1962/63 and 1967/78 seasons, but only succeeded in staying up one year on each occasion.

Both promotions produced nail-biting moments.

The first promotion was clinched in the last game of the 62/63 season. Crewe had to beat Exeter and only managed to do this by Ford scoring the only goal in the match in the second half. Their second chance involved Luton Town. We were already certain to go up in 1968, and Crewe needed a win to ensure their entry into Division III. At half time Luton led 1-0, but two goals in the second half by Talbot and McHale saw them into Div.III for the last time. Incidentally Crewe were unbeaten at home that season. This success was also short-lived and in the early 70's they had to seek re-election on three successive seasons.

The last time that Crewe and Luton met was the 3rd. Round of the F.A. Cup in January 1973. Luton played host on that occasion and a crowd of 9,411 saw Jim Ryan and Barry Butlin score one each to put their opponents out of the cup.

EASTERN JUNIOR CUP FINAL:

Luton Town 3 Ipswich 2.

SKIPPER OF our youth team, Gary Sisman holds aloft the first trophy to be won by Luton Town this season — the Eastern Junior Cup. Strictly speaking, it's a pot from last season, with the final being held over through fixture congestion.

Visitors Ipswich posed plenty of problems for our lads, not least the ability to fight back after falling two goals behind. A deep cross by Sisman put Percy Pearson in for the first goal in the 28th minute, and on the hour Godfrey Ingram beat a defender to a through-ball by Wayne Turner to make it 2-0.

Big and strong, Ipswich fought back to 2-2, but five minutes from time Robbie Johnson's accurate pass down the middle sent in Ingram for the winning goal, his second of the game.

Picture: LUTON NEWS

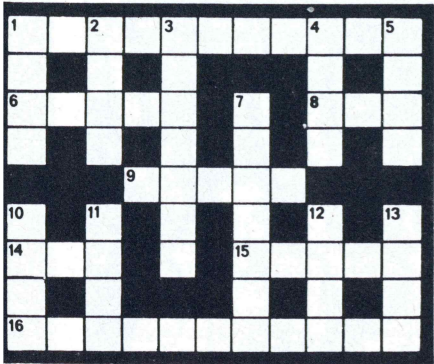


CROSSWORD 6

- CLUES — ACROSS**
- 1. South coast ground (7,4)
 - 6. See 7dn.
 - 8. Hiron or Hankin (3)
 - 9. PFA secretary: Cliff ____ (5)
 - 14. Argentina side: ____ Boys (3)
 - 15. Top League scorer for Gillingham last season (5)
 - 16. Striker with Wrexham who started the season on the verge of his 200th League goal (5,6)

- CLUES — DOWN**
- 1. League ever-present for Oxford last season (4)
 - 2. Scotland's squad was nicknamed "Ally's ____" (4)
 - 3. Struggled for the ball with an opponent (7)
 - 4. League ever-present and top-scorer for Hartlepool last season (4)
 - 5. Former manager at Hull who recently returned there as coach (4)
 - 7. & 6ac. Major world tournament for 'amateurs' dominated by state-paid East European sides (7,5)
 - 10. Derby manager before Brian Clough (4)
 - 1. New manager of Aberdeen: ____ Ferguson (4)
 - 2. Player-manager of WBA for a spell last season (4)
 - 3. Spain side: ____ Sociedad (4)

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Across 1. Swans(ea), 3. Ryan, 6. Gonella, 7. Tom, 8. (Johnny) Giles, 10. Les, 11. crosses, 12. Andy, 13. Patsy.
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Luton Town 7 Cardiff City 1

IF WE can recapture the home form we showed against Cardiff the Crewe defence is in for a harrowing evening tonight.

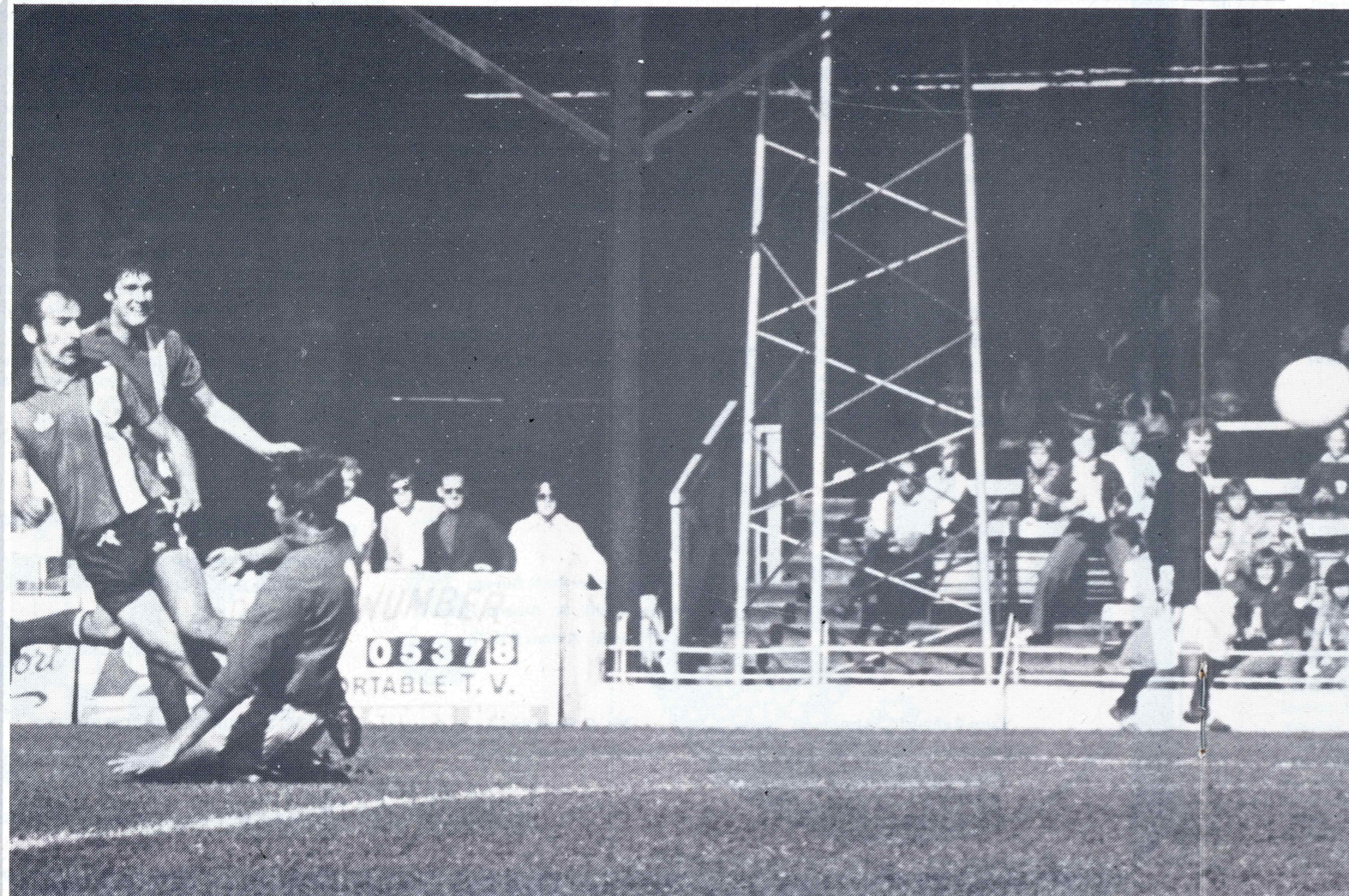
Bob Hatton deserved more than the record books will show: he was directly responsible for five of our goals.

Left is the one he scored: Keith Barber was left without cover and his attempt to narrow the angle failed to stop Bob carefully slotting in our second goal.

Below shows another of the many moments when Cardiff's defence was hardly in view: Hatton's cross from behind the cameraman left Barber stranded, and Brian Stein beats his marker to score his second goal.

Pictures: LUTON NEWS.

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BBC RADIO SPORT

THE BBC have asked us to remind all our fans who tune their transistors to BBC Radio's "Sport on 2" on Saturday afternoons that the new allocation of frequencies comes into effect on November 23rd. We know that a lot of fans listen to this programme during the season and nearer the date details of the actual changes will be made.

SOUVENIR SHOP

A NEW stock of souvenirs has arrived and as well as being able to buy them in the souvenir shop they will be on sale from two kiosks on the ground. We have a large number of old programmes (mainly Luton home games) going for a song.

Also on sale will be a new selection of photographs. Black and White post-card size will be available of individual 1st. team players at 10p. each and a group colour shot of the first team will sell at only 30p. As soon as possible we are introducing individual colour ones and also are hoping to supply a wallet with a full set.

Football Combination League

Report on NORWICH CITY v LUTON TOWN
Sat. 24th. September

DURING the first twenty minutes of the game, both teams were obviously feeling their way and neither seemed to have the advantage, but a penalty awarded to Norwich, which they scored from, finally started the score sheet off. Two minutes later Luton were also awarded a penalty which was taken by Godfrey Ingram. Unfortunately he failed to convert and this incident upset the Luton lads. From then on they couldn't get to grips with the game and after Norwich scored their second goal, the home team turned on the screws to which Luton could find no answer. A half time score of 3-0 did little to hearten the visitors.

John Bond, Norwich's manager, certainly has studied Continental Type football. His lads gave an exhibition seldom seen in this country of this type of tactics. They played a system of three backs, not the usual four, with the centre half breaking into mid-field and coming forward whenever possible, thus producing a very fluid and free-running game. It was refreshing to see this kind of play and more teams could adopt this system to advantage.

The final score of 6-0 payed tribute to John Bond's team and a very well deserved win.

Luton Team. A. Judge, D. Carr, W. Turner, M. Sperrin, T. Hayes, N. Johnson, J. Lucas, J. McNichol, S. Sherlock, G. Ingram, G. Heale, Sub: R. Eaton.

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ALL OUR YESTERDAYS

A look back at Luton Town a decade ago.
By BRIAN SWAIN, Sports Editor, Luton News

A LITTLE bit of cup history was made at Kenilworth Road ten years ago when Luton Town battled through to the Third Round of the Football League Cup for the first time ever.

Battled was the word, with three hours of effort needed to dispose of Brighton in the Second Round. Drawn away from home, the Town earned a 1-1 draw at The Goldstone Ground on September 4, 1968, in front of 15,200 spectators.

Terry Branston was absent through injury, and in a game of rugged tackling and close marking Laurie Sheffield headed the Town into the lead in the 38th minute. A Bruce Rioch thunder-bolt hit the bar, but Brighton came back to equalise through Lawton in the 62nd minute.

For the replay, at Kenilworth Road the following Wednesday, 18,906 turned up for a memorable night's entertainment. Branston returned to the side and had to clear off the line from Lawton as Brighton's first-half threats were confined to quick breaks.

The Town had the better of things, but arrived at half-time with the score-sheet blank.

But early in the second half came six incredible minutes, with four goals scored.

Alan Slough came up from midfield to lash in the first in the 49th minute after Brighton had half-cleared a corner. But the cheering had hardly died down when Brighton attacked from the restart, and a weak back pass by John Moore let in Livesey to shoot the equaliser.

In the 52nd minute Laurie Sheffield beat two tackles and restored the lead, and two minutes later Slough made it 3-1 with a snap shot from the edge of the box.

Head made a flying save to stop Kit Napier scoring, and Bruce Rioch made the game safe with the Town's fourth goal with a 30-yard blockbuster in the 72nd minute. Napier's second goal for Brighton, four minutes from time, was too late to affect the result.

YOUTH

By George Rogers

THE highlight of the Youth team came on Monday 25th September, when they defeated Ipswich youth 3-2 in the final of the Eastern Junior Cup.

This final was left over from last season, thereby allowing us to use A. Judge, G. Ingram and N. Johnson. Ipswich also included 3 lads who are now over youth age. In the first half Luton went ahead when Sisman crossed a ball for Andy Pearson to put into the net. In the second half Luton continued to press hard and after 60 min. Ingram put Luton 2 up. That goal spurred Ipswich into action and they pulled one back through McCall and two minutes later they equalised with a goal by Dayray. But the lads came back and Godfrey Ingram scored the winner 5 minutes from the end.
Team:— A. Judge, R. Johnson, L. Harriott, A. Wilkinson, C. Goodyear, G. Sisman,

N. Johnson, W. Turner, G. Ingram, R. Eaton, A. Pearson, T. Murphy, M. Conquest.

Another cup game played was the Midlands League Cup. This tie is a 2 leg affair and in the 1st leg the youth team travelled to Swindon and came away winning by 1 goal to 0 Tony Wilkinson getting the goal in the last minute. The second leg of this match was at Vauxhall ground on Thursday 28th September and we hope the lads have progressed into the next round.
Team at Swindon:— A. Judge, J. Woodward, T. Murphy, A. Wilkinson, L. Harriott, G. Sisman, M. Conquest, N. Maddon, G. Lester, R. Eaton, A. Pearson, R. Johnson.

The 3rd game of the week took place at Chrysler Sports ground, on Saturday morning when we entertained Cambridge United prior to the Seniors in the afternoon. This was an even and hard fought contest

but in the second half Cambridge got one back making the final score 2-1 to Luton.
Team:— G. Phillips, J. Woodward, T. Murphy, R. Johnson, L. Harriott, C. Goodyear, A. Cosby, T. Wilkinson, M. Conquest, N. Maddon, A. Pearson, R. Giltrow, T. Kitchener.

The Youth team fixtures for October are:—
Thursday October 5th
Leicester Youth, Vauxhall 2 p.m.
Saturday October 7th
Rolenmill (Enfield), Chryslers 11 a.m.
Tuesday October 10th
Coventry Youth, Coventry 2 p.m.
Wednesday October 18th
Bedford Town Youth, Bedford 7.30 p.m.
Saturday October 21st
Ware Town, Chryslers 11 a.m.
Thursday October 26th
Swindon Youth, Vauxhall 2 p.m.

FOCUS ON

KIRK STEPHENS
by Doug Lygo

WHEN David Pleat returned to his former club, Nuneaton Borough in the Summer to sign Kirk Stephens for the second time, the fair haired young full back was beginning to feel that his chances of League Football were over and that a combination of Southern League soccer and an expanding business in Coventry with his father would be his main pre-occupations during 1978/79. Now all this has changed and Kirk, determined to justify David's faith in him is battling to regain match fitness following the knee injury which unluckily interrupted a most promising start to his Football League career.

Born in Coventry, Kirk represented the City, the county of Warwickshire and played in the Birmingham District England school trials during the period that he was on the books of Coventry City as a schoolboy. As opportunities in his native city were limited he played for a short period with the Bristol City Youth Team and also with Northampton Town but although both offered contracts he decided at the age of seventeen to join Nuneaton where David Pleat was Player/Manager.

Although the latter moved on after a year and various trial offers were made, notably by Spurs and Everton, Kirk stayed with the Warwickshire club for six years during which time they were



Picture: Luton News

runners up in both the Premier Division and the Southern League Cup. In 1976 he was selected to play for the English Non-League Representative Side which met their Italian counterparts at Bedford losing by the only goal of the match.

The person who has had the most significant influence on Kirk's career is his father, who rarely misses an opportunity to see his son play. Two years ago they set up a Building and Civil Engineering business and later diversified into plant hire. The company now has twenty five employees and includes hairdressing and sauna interests. Naturally his move to Luton and full time soccer has meant that Kirk has had to relinquish his day to day activities in the business but he maintains a rich interest in its progress.

Although Coventry is his home town Kirk has always had a strong

affection for West Ham because of the type of football they play and he would dearly like to play against them later in the season. Among his favourite players feature two famous "Hammers", Bobby Moore and Trevor Brooking. Kirk had not met or played against any of the present "Hatters" before he joined the staff but had come into direct opposition with Steve Buckley when the latter was a left winger with Burton Albion. As a youth player Kirk was himself a winger but now prefers to play in the back four and especially at right back. Not noted for goalscoring he took three seasons to open his account at Nuneaton and hopes that there will not be such a lengthy delay at Luton. He enjoys taking part in all sports particularly tennis and badminton. October 6th is moving day for Kirk, Karen and their son Quinnton, aged one, when they become residents of Ampthill. Until then Kirk is staying in Biscot Road with Mrs Howden who he says could not have done more to make him comfortable and he adds that the thing that has most impressed him and his family has been the friendly reception which they have enjoyed at Kenilworth Road. We all hope that the injured knee will soon be a thing of the past and that Kirk and his family will be extremely happy in their new Ampthill home.

POOLS NEWS

WE HAVE gone comprehensive! A complete service is now provided for all supporters at our four souvenir shops, two on the ground and two in Kenilworth Road. On match days, agents and customers alike are invited to view the various souvenirs and at the same time pay in for lottery tickets etc. under the same administration. In this day and age, we are certain that the pools administration should represent "The Hatters" at all times and as many of you know, rarely at any fete or function

are we not seen to be "showing the flag". Call in on us, browse around make your purchases and at the same time become a Mad Hatters Agent, don't forget, 10% commission on sales plus 10% bonus on all prizes. That adds up to a Lot of money, more than sufficient to pay for your souvenirs in fact!

*Thanks for your continued help
Mike Hardwicke M.D.
Hatters Pools.*

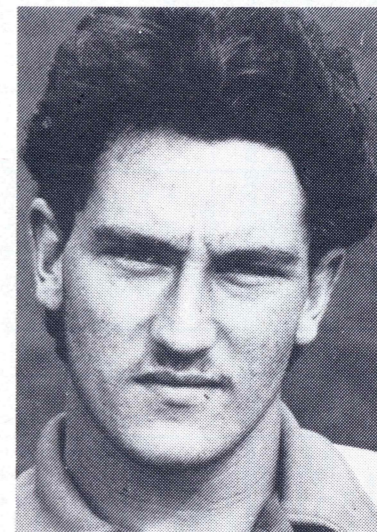
APOLOGIES

I WONDER how many fans spotted Today's deliberate Mistake in the Cambridge programme? The usually highly efficient programme team fell flat on its face on Saturday. In Doug Lygo's "Focus On" series on Mark Aizlewood we published a picture of another player, how many can spot the player? We do not offer any prizes for noticing the original mistake or recognising the player who's photo was published. What we will do though, is to offer our most humble apologies to Mark and print his picture this week.

Sorry Mark! By the way did you guess who's photo was in the programme? Right! It was our Lil.

Mascot

FOR THE match today our mascot is Trevor Alan Mitchell. Trevor attends Icknield Junior School and is 9yrs. of age. His main hobbies and sports are Football and Swimming and has supported the Hatters for one year.



Mark Aizlewood — definitely!

SPORTS FOR DISABLED. LUTON & DISTRICT BRITISH SPORTS ASSOCIATION FOR THE DISABLED

WE cordially invite any disabled persons to join in our fortnightly sessions. We meet on the 1st Sunday of each month at Luton Regional Sports Centre St. Thomas's Rd., STOPSLEY. 10.30am—12.30pm. On the 3rd Sunday of the month at Dunstable Recreation Centre 5pm—7pm. There is varied sports including the two most popular Archery and Table Tennis.

Anyone interested would they like to contact Mrs. Tompkins the Transport Officer Phone. 504057 or Publicity Officer Miss J. Armstrong Phone. 414486. They will be pleased to help and give any information that is required.

FACTS

DIV.2		Attendance	F.A.	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12
Aug	19 S Oldham Athletic	8,043	6-1	Aleksic	Stephens	Sherlock	Donaghy	Turner	Aizlewood	Hill	Fucillo (1 pen)	Stein (1)	Hatton (2)	Moss (2)	Ingram
	22 T Crystal Palace	17,739	1-3	Aleksic	Stephens	Sherlock	Donaghy	Turner	Aizlewood	Hill	Fucillo (1 pen)	Stein	Hatton	Moss	Ingram
	26 S Newcastle Utd.	24,112	0-1	Aleksic	Stephens	Aizlewood	Donaghy	Turner	Price	Hill	West	Stein	Hatton	Moss	McNichol
	29 T Wigan Ath. (LC2)	6,618	2-0	Aleksic	Stephens	Aizlewood	Donaghy	Turner	Price	West	Fucillo	Stein (2)	Hatton	Moss	Hill
Sept.	2 S Charlton Ath.	8,509	3-0	Aleksic	Jones	Aizlewood	Hill (1)	Turner	Price	Donaghy	Fucillo	Stein (1)	Hatton (1)	Boersma	West*
	9 S Bristol Rovers	6,508	0-2	Aleksic	Jones	Aizlewood	Hill	Turner	Price	Donaghy	Fucillo	Stein	Ingram	Moss	West
	16 S Cardiff City	7,752	7-1	Aleksic	Jones	Aizlewood	Hill	Turner	Price	Donaghy	West	Stein (2)	Hatton (1)	Moss (2)	Fucillo (1 pen)
	23 S Cambridge Utd.	10,801	1-1	Aleksic	Jones	Aizlewood	Hill	Turner	Price	Donaghy	West	Stein (1)	Hatton	Moss	Fucillo *
	30 S Sheffield Utd.	15,295	1-1	Aleksic	Price	Aizlewood	Hill	Turner	Donaghy	Fucillo	West	Stein	Hatton (1)	Moss	Jones
Oct.	3 T Crewe Alex. (LC3)														
	7 S Wrexham														
	14 S Blackburn														
	21 S Notts County														
	28 S Orient														
Nov.	4 S Leicester City														
	8 W League Cup 4														
	11 S Oldham Athletic														
	18 S Newcastle Utd.														
	21 T Charlton Ath.														
	25 S Sunderland (1)														
Dec.	2 S Burnley														
	9 S Preston														
	13 W League Cup 5														
	16 S Brighton (2)														
	23 S West Ham														
	26 T Millwall														
	30 S Fulham														
1979															
Jan.	1 M Stoke City														
	6 S F.A. Cup 3														
	13 S Bristol Rovers														
	17 W League Cup SF														
	20 S Cardiff City														
	24 W League Cup SF														
	27 S F.A. Cup 4														
Feb.	3 S Cambridge Utd.														
	10 S Sheffield Utd.														
	17 S Wrexham (5)														
	24 S Blackburn														
Mar.	3 S Notts County														
	10 S Orient (6)														
	17 S Leicester City (LCF)														
	24 S Crystal Palace														
	31 S Sunderland (SF)														
April	7 S Burnley														
	9 M West Ham														
	14 S Millwall														
	16 M Stoke City														
	21 S Brighton														
	28 S Preston														
May	5 S Fulham														
	12 S F.A. Cup Final														

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Bold denotes home game and scorer. * denotes substitute used

Division Two

As at 1 October 1978

P	W	D	L	F	A	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Stoke	8	2	2	0	7	3	3	1	0	4	1 13
C. Palace	8	2	2	0	6	3	2	2	0	7	2 12
Brighton	8	3	0	1	8	3	1	2	1	7	7 10
Fulham	8	2	1	1	3	1	2	1	1	5	4 10
Sunderland	8	3	1	0	7	3	1	1	2	3	7 10
West Ham	8	3	0	1	9	3	1	1	2	7	6 9
Bristol R.	8	4	0	0	11	4	0	1	3	2	9 9
Newcastle	8	2	1	1	4	4	1	2	1	3	3 9
Burnley	8	2	1	1	8	7	1	2	1	3	5 9
Luton	8	3	1	0	17	3	0	1	3	2	7 8
Leicester	8	1	1	2	5	4	1	3	0	4	3 8
Charlton	8	1	3	0	6	3	1	1	2	3	6 8
Wrexham	8	0	3	1	1	2	2	1	1	4	3 8
Notts Co.	8	2	1	1	5	4	1	1	2	5	8 8
Camb U	8	0	3	1	2	3	1	2	1	4	3 7
Oldham	8	2	1	1	6	4	1	0	3	4	9 7
Cardiff	8	2	1	1	6	5	1	0	3	5	14 7
Sheff Utd	8	1	1	2	6	5	1	1	2	3	6 6
Orient	8	1	0	3	3	3	0	1	2	2	5 5
Preston	8	1	2	1	6	4	0	1	3	4	12 5
Blackburn	8	1	2	1	6	4	0	0	4	3	11 4
Millwall	8	1	0	3	3	10	0	2	2	1	4 4

Combination

As at 25 September 1978

P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Tottenham	8	7	1	0	32	13 15
Norwich	8	6	1	1	21	6 13
Chelsea	7	4	2	1	14	6 10
Bristol City	6	3	2	1	11	5 8
West Ham	6	3	2	1	9	5 8
Oxford Utd	7	3	2	2	13	12 8
Fulham	8	3	2	3	12	12 8
Southampton	7	3	2	2	9	9 8
Luton Town	7	4	0	3	12	14 8
Arsenal	6	2	3	1	13	8 7
Bristol Rovers	5	3	1	1	8	5 7
Crystal Palace	7	3	1	3	14	11 7
Plymouth	8	3	1	4	9	11 7
Ipswich Town	6	2	2	2	12	10 6
QPR	5	2	2	1	8	9 6
Leicester	7	2	2	3	7	9 6
Birmingham	6	0	3	3	3	9 3
Reading	6	0	3	3	7	13 3
Orient	7	0	3	4	4	20 3
Swindon Town	6	0	2	4	2	11 2
Hereford Utd	7	0	2	5	7	21 2
Cardiff City	6	0	1	5	5	13 1

LEAGUE/CUP	Apps	Gls
Aleksic	9	
Stephens	4	
Sherlock	2	
Jones	9	
Donaghy	9(3)	
C.Turner	9(1)	
Price	7	
Hill	9(1)	1
West	8(3)	3
Stein	7(2)	
Hatton	9	7
Moss	8	5
Ingram	8	4
McNichol	(1)	
Boersma	(1)	
O'own Goal	1	
COMBINATION gls		1
W.Turner	3	
Sperrin	3	
Ingram	3	
Currie	1	
Jones	1	
N.Johnson	1	
MIDLAND/CHILTERN		
Pearson	8	
Eaton	4	
Sisman	3	
Ingram	3	
Conquest	3	
Madden	3	
Harriott	2	
W.Turner	2	
Wilkinson	1	

FOOTBALL COMBINATION FIXTURES — 1978-79

FOOTBALL COMBINATION FIXTURES				All Saturday Matches Kick-off 3pm		All Fixtures subject to alteration	
		1978-79					
Aug.	19 S Oxford United	0-2	18 S Birmingham City	Feb.	3 S Norwich City	...	...
	22 T Cardiff City	3-1	21 T Bristol Rovers	...	10 S Swindon Town	...	...
	26 S Birmingham City	2-0	29 W Reading	...	17 S Chelsea	...	...
	30 W	...		...	24 S Orient	...	...
Sept.	6 W Hereford United	3-1	Dec.	2 S Fulham	Mar.	3 S Tottenham H.	...
	9 S Southampton	3-1		9 S Arsenal		10 S Plymouth Argyle	...
	13 W Bristol Rovers	1-3		11 M West Ham		17 S Leicester City	...
	23 S Norwich City	0-6		16 S Bristol City		21 W Crystal Palace	...
	30 S Swindon Town	C		19 T Crystal Palace		28 W Cardiff City	...
				30 S Q.P.R.		31 S Reading	...
Oct.	4 W Chelsea	...	1979	April	7 S Fulham	...	...
	7 S Orient	...	Jan.	1 M Ipswich Town		16 M Ipswich Town	...
	21 S Tottenham H.	...		6 S		21 S Bristol City	...
	28 S Plymouth Argyle	...		13 S Southampton		24 T West Ham	...
				17 W		28 S Arsenal	...
Nov.	4 S Leicester City	...		20 S Hereford United	May	5 S Q.P.R.	...
	8 W	...		24 W			...
	11 S Oxford United	...		27 S			...

Next home games

v WREXHAM	v ORIENT	v NOTTS CO.
Division Two	Combination	Division Two
Sat. 7 October	Sat. 14 October	Sat. 21 October
Kick-off: 3.00pm	Kick-off: 3.00pm	Kick-off: 3.00pm

Century Club

by Catherine Ball, Secretary

WATCHING and enjoying football in general, and Luton Town in particular, will always be the main driving force behind the Century Club, but as mentioned in this column some weeks ago we are trying this season to introduce more social activities to our "fixture list".

The first for this season was a couple of weeks ago when we entertained the Luton Town players in a general knowledge quiz.

I am delighted, and slightly surprised, to be able to report that the Century Club sneaked a narrow victory. Alan West, Ricky Hill and Milija Aleksic represented the team and for the Century Club Eddie Edwards was mustard on the "buzzers and bells" round to back up Reg Carrott and Graham White.

It was all good fun, with Ricky showing that he had a very good ear indeed — not only for the music rounds but also for some of the asides from off-stage from members of the audience who couldn't resist whispering answers when they knew them!

The only disappointment to me was that support from Century Club members was not as strong as it might have been. Perhaps future events might attract more — there's the mysterious MBCC party on Friday, and a Halloween Party on October 27.

And for those who can raise a little energy for outdoor pursuits, don't forget Sunday's sponsored walk to raise money for Luton Town. I'll be glad to give details to anyone interested if they will phone me at Luton 63043.

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Junior Hatters Club

BIRTHDAY greetings this week to:—

Member No. 36 Stephen Williams, 8th., No. 251 Anthony Green, 1st., No. 208 Vincent Wall, 3rd., 117 Anita Newburn, 6th., No. 148 Guy Hutton, 11th., and Paul Darren Quarman, 14th October, 1978.

Many Happy Returns of the Day to you all. Your Autographed photographs will be posted to you within a few days.

The answer to the quiz in the Cambridge programme was as follows:—

1. The Underground Station Gillespie Road was re-named "Arsenal" before the Second world war.
2. Harry Haslam was manager of Luton during their recent World tour.

This weeks' competition:—

1. Which International team were known as the Wembley Wizards?
2. Who was manager of the 1977/78 F.A. Cup Winners when they won the first division championship?

Entries please to 'Junior Hatters Competition', Luton Town F.C., Kenilworth Road, Luton, by first post Saturday 14th October, 1978. First all correct entry opened will receive two tickets for a home league match.

We have now received photographs of Paul Price, Alan West, Brian Stein and Graham Jones. As soon as we can get these autographed we will send out the birthday photographs.

On looking through the register of members, it is noticeable that quite a number of memberships have not been renewed. So don't forget to bring your card in for renewal and if it should be a Saturday leave your card and 40p in the ticket office and your new card will be posted on to you.

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- 9 BRIAN STEIN
- 10 BOB HATTON
- 11 DAVID MOSS
- 12 ALAN WEST



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|-----------------|----|
| KEVIN RAFFERTY | 1 |
| DAVID HUGHES | 2 |
| IAN ROBERTS | 3 |
| PAUL BEVAN | 4 |
| PAUL BOWLES | 5 |
| WARWICK RIMMER | 6 |
| DAI DAVIES | 7 |
| STEVE WILSHAW | 8 |
| PETER COYNE | 9 |
| BERNARD PURDIE | 10 |
| JIMMY ROBERTSON | 11 |
| DENNIS NELSON | 12 |

Half Times

Burnley	Queens Park R.
Brighton & Hove A.	Swansea City
Everton	Rotherham Utd
Darlington	Reading (7.15)
Northampton	Southampton Town
Stoke City	Derby County

Peterborough Utd

Officials

Referee: Mr. A.W. Grey (Gorleston)
Commenced refereeing in Norfolk in 1960 and via the Football Combination qualified for the Football League full list in 1972. Was an F.A. Cup Final and European Cup Semi-Final linesman 1977, and an F.A. Amateur Cup official in 1972. Refereed the F.A. Youth Cup Final in 1977. Appointed to the F.I.F.A. panel last year. A married man, with two sons, he is Cold Store Superintendent for a frozen food company.

Linesmen: Mr. J.T. Kensett (Croydon)
Red flag; Mr. N. Benton (Cambridge)
Yellow flag.