

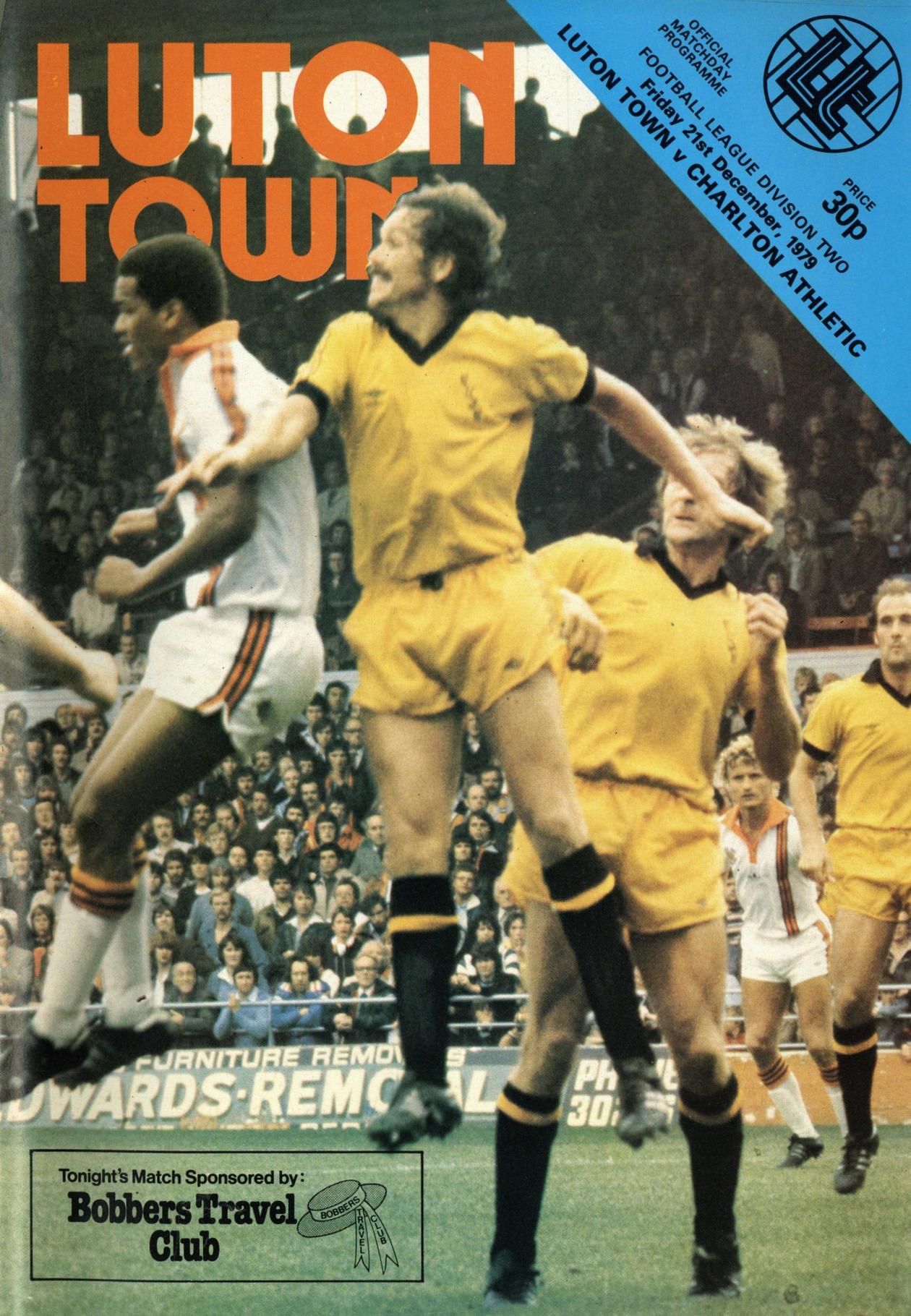
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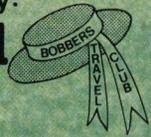
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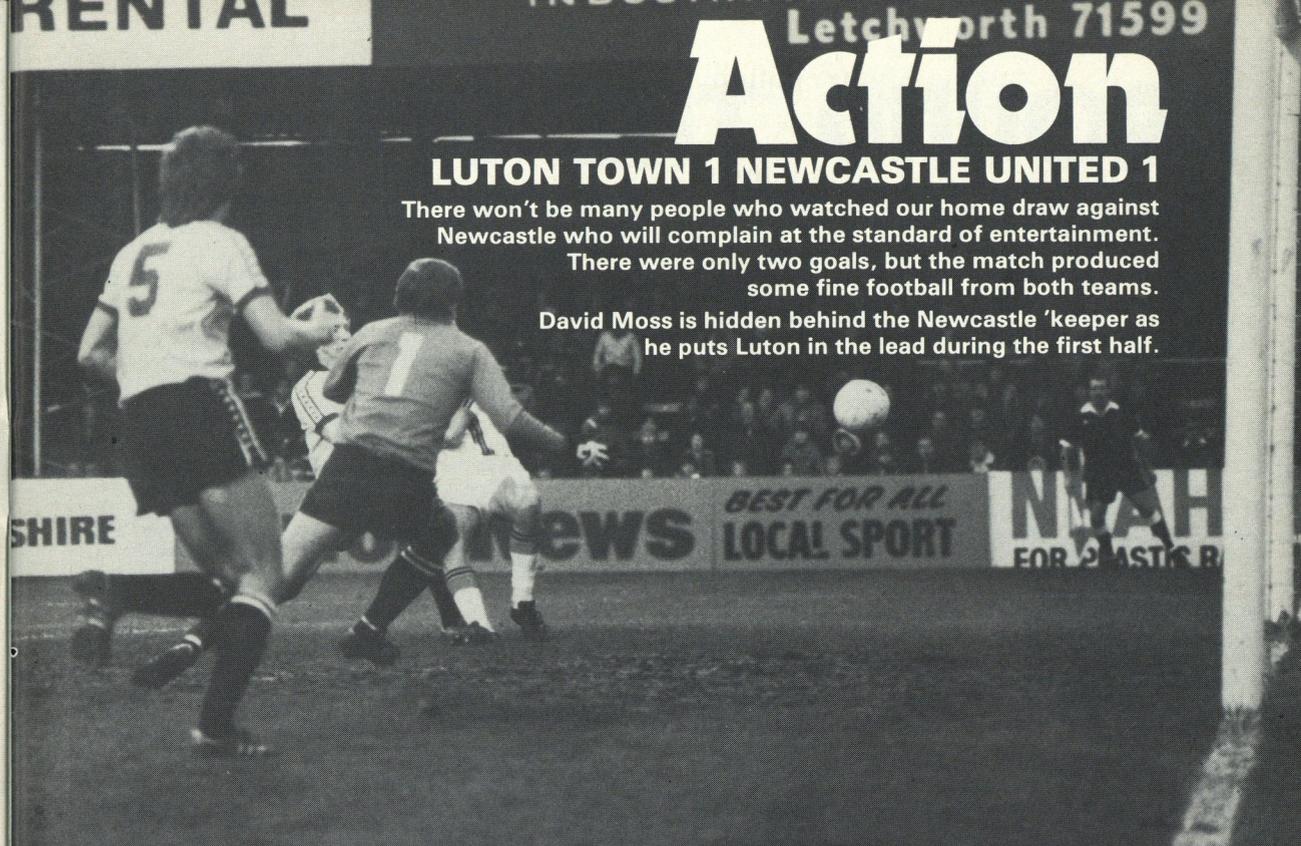
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There won't be many people who watched our home draw against Newcastle who will complain at the standard of entertainment. There were only two goals, but the match produced some fine football from both teams. David Moss is hidden behind the Newcastle 'keeper as he puts Luton in the lead during the first half.



Newcastle 'keeper Hardwick is stretched to the limit as he tips the ball over the bar with Bob Hatton (left) watching anxiously.

# AROUND THE STADIUM

## BOBBERS HAVE THEIR FEET ON THE GROUND

This evening's game is sponsored by the Bobbers Travel Club and we are delighted they have taken the opportunity to support us in a different way. We are often encouraged by their support at away games which can be a great help to our players during matches. We asked Steve Russell, a Travel Club committee member, to explain their history, and how the club operates.

"The idea of an away travel club was born in August 1978," he told us. "We saw Doug Lygo, then the club's company secretary, and he advised us to contact director Jim Yates who was responsible for the Bobbers Club.

"He asked us if we would like to use the Bobbers Club as a base. We agreed, but it was obvious there was much work to do to get the machinery in motion. The club was officially formed in December, although the first trip we organised had to be put off because the game in question was postponed through bad weather.

"Our first official away trip was on February 3 this year when we travelled to Cambridge and carried 41 members. Since then, we have sold over 1,500 seats on 27 trips to away games. We now have 350 members and still growing. Our basic aim was to organise cheaper travel for members in addition to helping the parent club with sponsorship and other donations.

"We have so far sponsored two players' kits in addition to this evening's game and, next year, we hope to open our own shop stock-

ed with souvenirs. We meet every Wednesday evening in the Bobbers Club for a social night and sell tickets for future away games. In addition to a Luton pick-up, we also collect members from Cranfield, Bedford, Marston, Amptill and Bletchley.

"To qualify for membership of the Travel Club, we make the following stipulations: 1. Under 15's must join the Junior Hatters Club for which the membership fee is 50p a year; 2. Under 18's can become an honorary member of the Bobbers Club — membership is free — and over 18's must join the Bobbers Club for which membership is £1.50 for the first year and 50p for every following year.

"Membership of the Travel Club is free, but members pay 40p a week after supplying their name and address. A special pass, with the members' photograph inserted, is issued for identification purposes.

"We also have our own fund raising tickets which provide a top prize of £100. We have nine committee members, namely Steve Russell, Jenny Russell, Val Riley, Ron Hinton, Margaret Hinton, Nancy Connah, Pat l'Ons, Les Miller and John Pypier.

"The Travel Club also hold social evenings between ourselves and Luton staff and officials. The players won our last darts match and we hope to reverse that result sometime in February."

Well, thanks Steve. If anyone wants to join the Bobbers Travel Club, they should report to any committee member on a Wednesday evening.

### CALLING KENILWORTH ROAD SUPPORTERS

We again bring to your notice our request to supporters who normally use the Kenilworth Road terraces. For the game against Chelsea on New Year's Day, it would help us if you would use the Oak Road end or other parts of the ground. This will help the police with crowd control before, during and after the match.

### WE NEED YOUR HELP

We are still looking for gatemen and stewards to compliment our internal staff on match days. Fans who think they can help by becoming a gateman should write to K. Halsey or F. Haywood, Head Gateman, Luton Town F.C., 70-72 Kenilworth Road, Luton. We are still receiving complaints from some fans who argue that there are not enough turnstiles open on match days. Can you help?

If you would like to become a steward, secretary John Wilkinson would welcome a letter from you. He can be contacted at the above address.

### WE'RE GOING UP IN SIZE

How many supporters noticed that the match day programme for the last home game against Newcastle United was increased in size by four pages? Judging from the favourable comments we received quite a few of you spotted the difference. Well, we've got some more good news. Starting with the home game against Chelsea, the programme will be increased by four pages for every home match — at no extra cost to the fans. We also plan to bring you news of an exciting new competition with a superb first prize. Watch this space for further details.



We think our novel idea of introducing a local beauty queen to the Oak Road enders before a game has really caught on. Miss Luton Show Queen, Liz Mann, was a big hit with the boys at the last home game against Newcastle United.

This evening, we continue our policy by introducing delightful Kathleen Kawley, the current Miss Luton.

Kathleen, age 21, has always lived in Luton and went to Rotheram High School. She now works as a receptionist for Visionhire in Luton.

KATHLEEN HAWLEY

### TONIGHT'S REFEREE

STEVENS, BRIAN T. (Stonehouse, Glos.) Started refereeing in the Stroud Youth League in 1963 and progressed via the Stroud, Gloucestershire County and Western Leagues to the Football League list. Refereed the England v Scotland schoolboy international at Wembley in 1975, England v Holland schoolboy international in 1979, and lined a European Cup-Winners Cup match in 1977.

A married man, he has two daughters, and is a toolmaker. His hobbies are skittles and tennis. Referees' Secretary of the Stroud and District Youth League.

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The merits of Friday night football will be discussed again this evening after a full fixture list. It is a one-off occasion this evening and we should not look too closely at the attendance figures. I am quite sure the shopkeepers and shopworkers will be pleased that they will have the opportunity of being able to watch these evening games, and delighted that, tomorrow, they will have the pleasure of thousands of male football supporters invading their shops with their wives helping to spend the Christmas money.

We are delighted to welcome Charlton Athletic to our ground and hope we can see a first-class game. I do not think there can be many who can be over-critical of the entertainment we are striving to provide. However, no-one can deny our disappointment in failing to beat Q.P.R. and Newcastle after dominating the games for long periods. We can only persevere, hope for the breaks and work to improve on the good points of our game. There is no reason to suggest that we cannot keep among the pacesetters in the Second Division, but we shall have to play to our maximum if we are to sustain the challenge because there are so many good sides who must be considered.

# DAVID'S DIARY

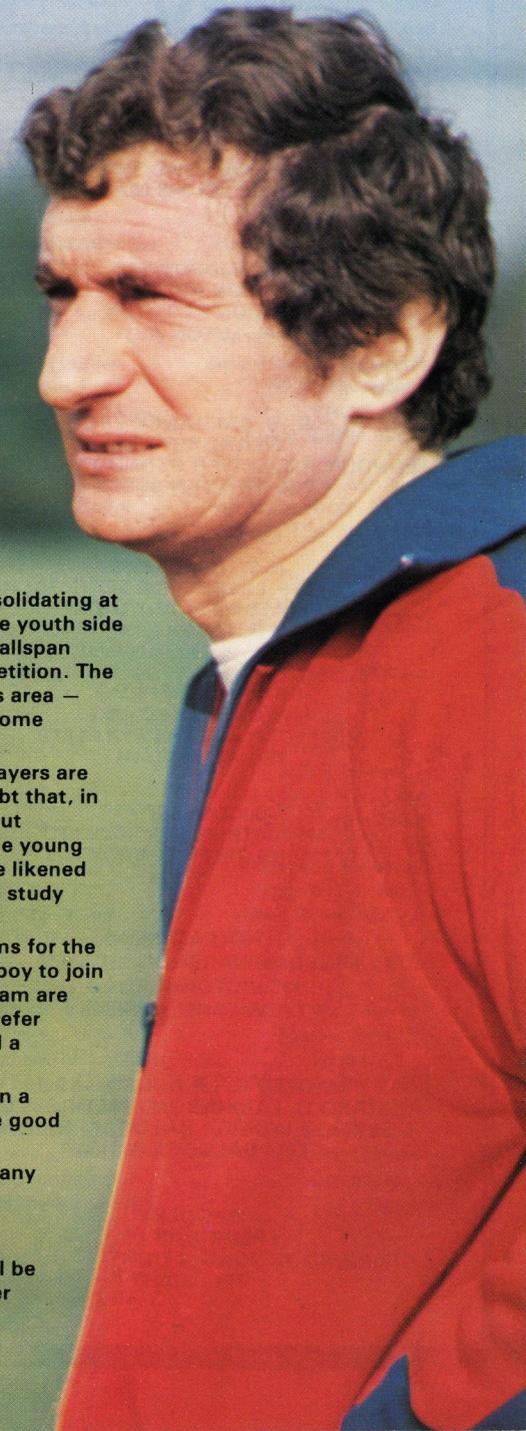
We are pleased to report that, in recent weeks, the club has been consolidating at all levels. The reserve side have been collecting points consistently; the youth side are unbeaten in the Midland Youth League for two months, and the Wallspan Southern Combination side have now adjusted to this open-age competition. The results bear testimony to David Coates' and John Moore's work in this area — they have to use the players carefully, particularly the younger ones, some of whom have played 28 games already this season.

All the training and coaching they do has to be carefully planned so players are not too tired to compete at their best in actual games. There is no doubt that, in this country, we play too many games in hard winter conditions without sufficient alternative players. Football economics have ensured that the young players are not able to develop the learning process correctly. It can be likened to numerous examination papers at school without getting the time to study properly for them.

One of our younger players, Neil Madden, has signed professional forms for the club, having served his apprenticeship. Neil is the fourth Luton schoolboy to join our professional ranks — Wayne Turner, Les Harriott and Godfrey Ingram are the others — and this gives me much satisfaction as I would always prefer to see Luton boys receive sufficient encouragement to make them feel a loyalty towards their local club.

We currently have three players in the first team who came from within a 30-mile radius of Luton — Ricky Hill, Paul Price and Brian Stein. All are good hard working professionals who are a credit to the game.

Our next game would appear to be most important of the season to many supporters. I can assure you it isn't because it is only one of 42 League matches in which we are hoping to prove that we have improved our standing on and off the pitch. If the Watford game is a splendid advertisement for football, I will be highly delighted because there will be a "floating" holiday section of the crowd whose support we can gather through the turnstiles in future. It is vitally important we all conduct ourselves — players, officials and supporters — in the right manner on Boxing Day no matter what the result.



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## JOHN'S JOTTINGS



I, like many other people involved in football today, am becoming concerned about what is happening to the game in this country. With players wanting to play abroad and the high transfer fees being paid by some clubs, this, in my opinion, is killing our game.

There are not many clubs — if any — in this country who can afford the large basic salaries offered by clubs on the Continent, where the cost of living is much higher. So you really can't blame the players for going if they want money.

I do not believe the standard of football abroad is any better than ours judging by what I have seen on television. I was listening with interest to Don Howe, the Arsenal coach, on television a few days ago talking on this subject, and he came up with what I think could stop these ridiculous transfer fees.

Any transfer fee of £150,000 and under could be paid by the club on easy terms, as most fees are now. Anything over that figure would have to be cash down. That surely would make clubs stop and think before paying out money they really can't afford.

Also, if a player goes abroad to play, a clause should be put into the agreement stating that he shall be released to play for his country as and when selected. I personally, feel that someone in high office should now stand up and make a decision before football in this country takes a back seat and becomes a second rate power in the football world.

The first meeting between Luton and Charlton was on 15th April, 1922, at Luton, who won 2-0. We completed the double seven days later by winning 1-0 at Charlton. Our visitors have had a number of famous names appearing in the red and white shirt. Sam Bartram, made 583 appearances in goal from 1934-56 — still a club record, although Keith Peacock was running him close at the end of last season with 512 appearances. John Hewie was capped 19 times by Scotland, and Don Welsh won a few caps for England. Eddie Firmani, now in the States, Peter Croker and Stuart Leary, who were recruited from South Africa, are names to conjure with for memories.

Our own former player, Derek Hales, is now in his second spell with the club after being transferred to Derby County and West Ham. I suppose their most famous manager was Jimmy Seed, a former international player. They also moved grounds since their formation in 1905, playing at Simons Meadow, Woolwich Common, Pound Park, Horn Lane and Catford.

John Wilkinson

## COMMERCIAL CORNER

It's not only going to be a very merry Christmas in the pools office — it's going to be a successful New Year too if we continue to receive the excellent support of our agents and their customers.

Agents and customers have so far earned £80,000 by buying and selling the tremendously successful Aztec and Midas lottery tickets since last April — and there's still more where that came from.

We would sincerely like to thank our agents and their customers for their superb efforts. Mike Hardwicke and his staff thank you all and wish you a very merry and peaceful Christmas.

This month's latest winners are:  
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### GET INTO TOP GEAR

These two young Luton fans look handsome in their Town gear — and we can't think of a better Christmas present for the kids than a gift from our official souvenir shops inside the ground. We are offering a special Christmas package deal with presents to suit all the family at realistic prices. Before you leave the ground tonight, why not pop along and see for yourself. Alternatively, our staff in the Kenilworth Road pools office will be pleased to serve you during normal hours. But, make it soon — there's only two shopping days left to Christmas.

Our special package deals include: For the kids; a scarf (£1.75) and bobble hat (£1)—£2.50; for brother, a mug (65p) and a Luton Town belt (50p)—£1; for sister, a mug (65p) and a pen (15p)—75p; for dad, a mug (65p) and a key ring (50p)—£1; for mum, a silver pen (75p)—60p; for your friends, a mug (65p) and a pennant (50p)—£1.

We can also offer the following special presents: Hooded sweat shirts—£7.50, navy vee neck sweaters—from £5, Luton Town tie—£2.50, wall mirrors—£1.25 and Luton Town calendar—£1.50.



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# TOWN TOPICS

## AN EVENING TO REMEMBER

The evening of December 17 provided an occasion 50 youngsters will not forget for a long time. At Lea Manor Recreation Centre, before a packed house, they received their certificates from John Cadman, Chief National Coach of the Hockey Association, who also talked to the youngsters on what he was looking for in selecting a player for a major competition. The next hockey course will be organised next year, about Easter time.

It is not too late to join the three-day soccer coaching course for 7 to 14 year old children at Leagrave Park and Stopsley from January 2 to 4. Coaching will be conducted by the Bedfordshire Coaches Association in morning and afternoon sessions. Those who participate will be graded and awarded a certificate before a Luton game. The cost is £3.25p for the three days and places are limited. If you want to sign on — hurry.

The Luton Town five-a-side tournament has now been finalised and is open to all boys between the ages of 12 and 15. Your team will be connected and partly named after a Luton player who will watch your games when you play. The draw and a Meet the Players evening will be held on January 10 in the Hatters Club at 7.30 p.m.

Details of all these courses can be obtained from: Mike Iacone, assistant Youth Activities Officer, Marsh House Centre, Bramingham Road, Luton (Telephone 56879 and 504211).

## FROM THE CENTURY CLUB

Some of our members are now regular travelling supporters and, like our secretary, they thoroughly enjoyed their trip to Gay Meadow for the Shrewsbury game.

The weather was good and that, coupled with the team's winning result, contributed to a very worthwhile trip. After the game, some of us were privileged to meet the players, their wives and friends and we spent a very pleasant half hour together.

Gay Meadow is not a big ground, but the sizeable Luton contingent made themselves heard. To those who are thinking about away travel, let us say "Have a go". It's rewarding, especially when we win and, so far this season, that's happened five times. Can't be bad, can it?

We will celebrate the festive season in style tomorrow evening by holding a party in the Century Club. Members and their friends will be there and we hope they enjoy the variety of activities we have arranged. Some lucky people will have extra goodies for Christmas.

Finally, our secretary and all club officials wish our friends, players, supporters and all who have our common interest — football — at heart, a very happy and joyous Christmas.

With Christmas just around the corner, we thought we'd bring you a touch of festive cheer tonight with carol singing led by the Stopsley High School Band, under their conductor. They entertained us with their music earlier in the season and we take the opportunity of extending a warm welcome to them on their second visit.

It doesn't really matter whether you can sing or not — we would like you to join in. And don't worry if you don't know the words, we are providing song sheets, kindly donated by the National Westminster Bank.

## JUNIOR HATTERS CLUB

We would like to start by thanking all those Junior Hatters who turned up at Hitchin's ground last week to support the Luton Town team in the friendly against Hitchin Town for Paul Giggie's testimonial. Considering the inclement weather before the game there was an excellent crowd and deservedly so for Paul's benefit match. Paul Giggie is one of the prime examples of football loyalty, as well as being a player of many skills and exemplary conduct. We hope that Paul's benefit reaches a substantial sum.

For this week's competition we have devised another anagram type of question: The clues are: (1) When Wilfred squeaks', this one is the fore-runner? (2) Is this one of the "Dirty Dogs"? (3) Some like it "real", some give it a "long life". All of these make up a "leading" Luton Town personality.

Entries, as usual, to Junior Hatters Club, Luton Town Football Club, 72 Kenilworth Road, Luton, Beds., entries to be in by first post on Friday 28th December, 1979 and don't forget your membership number. Two free tickets go to each of the first three winners opened.

Very shortly, we hope to have a special article written specially for our Junior Hatters Club by a member of the playing staff or management, but naturally, with the holiday matches upon us, the staff are very busy but we hope to have an article from them early in the New Year.

By the time you read this, all members with birthdays up to and end of December should have received their signed birthday photographs of their favourite players.

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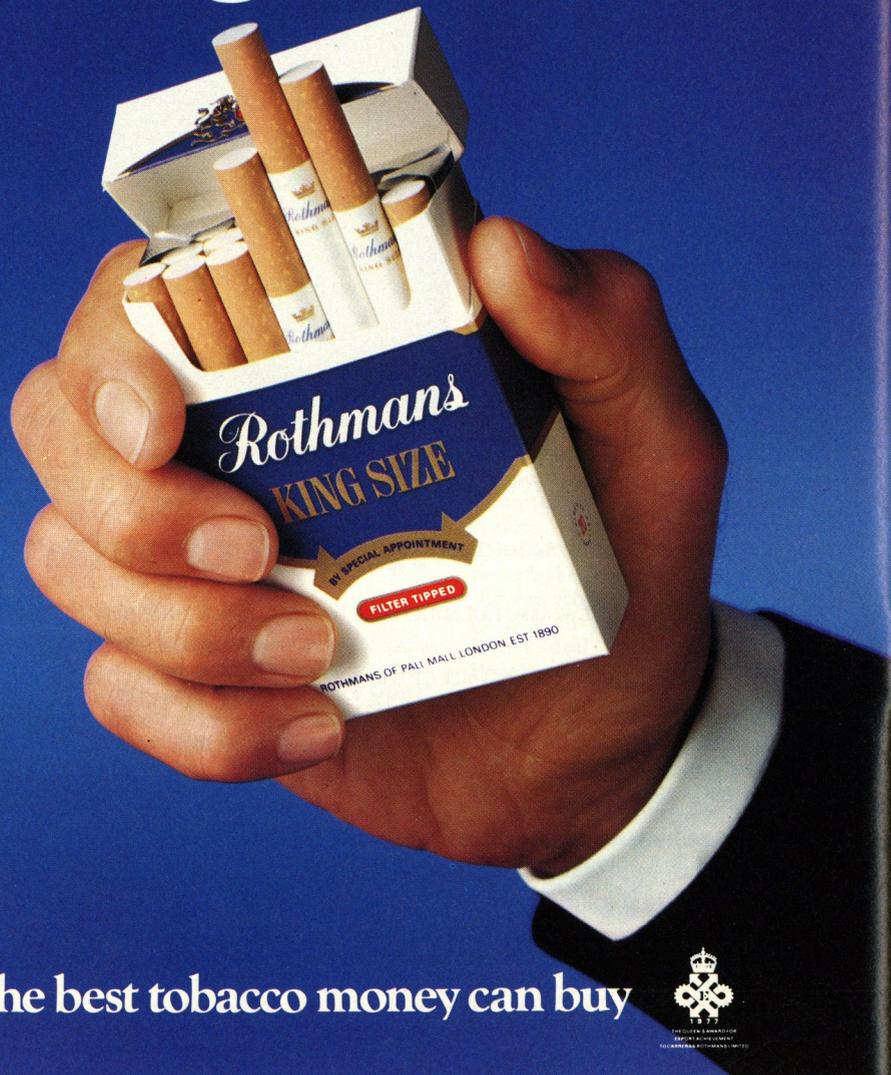


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# RESERVE REPORT

## Luton Town 2 Orient 1

Luton scored twice in the first half of this Combination fixture, both goals coming from Godfrey Ingram. In the second half Orient came more into the game and with 10 minutes to go, pulled one back. They continued to press and, with two minutes left Alan Judge made the save of the match to give Luton the points.

*Team:* Judge, Jones, Aizlewood, Johnson, Goodyear, Harriott, Madden, Sisman, Smith, Ingram, Pearson, Murphy.

## Cardiff City 0 Luton Town 0

Another Combination fixture saw the Town reserves make the long journey to Cardiff. Play was fairly even throughout the whole game, with both sides finding it difficult to make openings because of the excellent work put in by both defences. Les Harriott, in particular broke up many attacks.

*Team:* Judge, Jones, Aizlewood, Sisman, Goodyear, Harriott, Turner, Ollis, Smith, Ingram, Pearson, Cole.

## Luton Town 1 West Bromwich Albion 0

Playing West Brom., who are riding high at the top of the Midland Youth League, the Town, playing excellent football which the Vauxhall ground allows, took the game to their opponents and several chances were created which were not taken. However, in the second half, Jan Piotrowski lobbed the ball over the West Brom. defence for Wayne Turner to put the Town one up and give them the points.

*Team:* Fearon, Woodward, Murphy, Johnson, Piotrowski, Sisman, Turner, Cosby, Bunn, Brammer, Madden, Heath.

## Luton Town 2 Q.P.R. 2

Playing their first game in this season's F.A. Youth Cup, the Town's under-18 side started slowly and it was Q.P.R. who scored first after eight minutes but after missing chances, Frankie Bunn slid the ball past the advancing 'keeper to make the scores equal at the interval. In the second half, Luton did get the ball into the net but it was judged to be off-side and a shot by Heath hit the crossbar. However, in the 60th minute Cosby put Luton ahead. With Luton sensing victory, Q.P.R., in the closing minutes, floated a ball over from the right and it was deflected past Walker to make the Town travel to Q.P.R. for the replay.

*Team:* Walker, Woodward, Murphy, Johnson, Piotrowski, Foote, Madden, Cosby, Bunn, Brammer, Heath, Cole.

### KNOW YOUR YOUTH PLAYER

Today we focus Alan Cosby. Alan attended Lea Manor School, Luton, and was invited to join the apprentice staff at Kenilworth Road, when he left school last summer. He was an active member of the Limbury Boys Club, playing for them for several seasons. He also gained representative honours playing for the county at school and youth levels. It was his excellent performances in these games which prompted David Pleat to offer him a place on the staff. If he continues to make progress, he should have a bright future.

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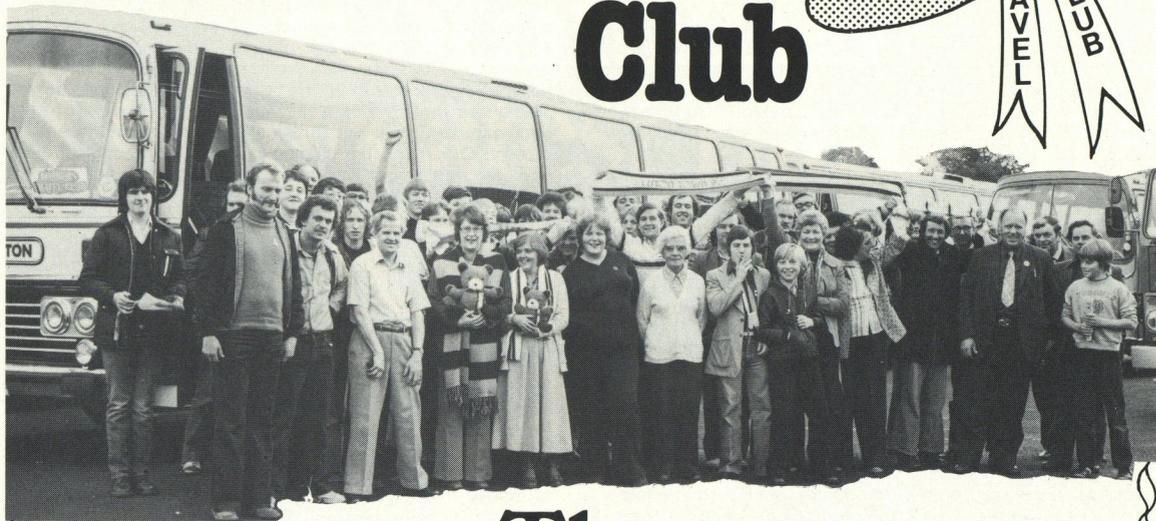
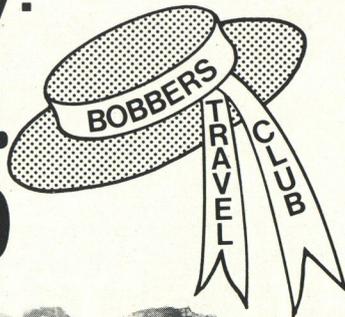
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HERE THIS EVENING

# CHARLTON ATHLETIC

Charlton, our visitors this evening, have found themselves struggling for Second Division points this season, although they recorded one of the shocks of the day recently when they beat West Ham 1-0 at the Valley.

Like Luton, Charlton made an indifferent start to the season when they were eliminated from the Football League Cup by Peterborough and then lost their opening home game of the season when Preston won 3-0.

The similarity between us does not end there because Charlton were also struggling to avoid the dreaded drop to the Third Division at the end of last season and only missed it in the last week of the season.

Although they have recently signed two Danes, Charlton have not been in any rush to spend the £720,000 they received from Crystal Palace for unsettled striker Mike Flanagan whose public bust-up with colleague Derek Hales received its fair share of the headlines.

After Flanagan moved on to try his luck in the First Division with Palace, Athletic looked to their London neighbours Millwall and paid them £150,000 for Phil Walker.

Nicky Johns was another newcomer. He spent some of last season with Harry Haslam at Sheffield United and arrived at the Valley in exchange for a £100,000 cheque which Charlton paid to American club Tampa Bay Rowdies.

Other early season activity at the Valley saw the departure of Dave Shipperley, a long-serving player who threw in his lot with Reading after serving the London club with 150 games for them. But

Charlton didn't intend to spend too much time without another new signing and they then paid Palace £150,000 for Tony Hazell, a defender with a wealth of experience behind him.

Walker obviously plays a big part in Charlton's plans for a few goals this season and he should provide some of the breaks from midfield to enable striker Hales and Martin Robinson to capitalise on them.

Hales is well known to Luton fans after spending a spell at Kenilworth Road before moving on to Charlton. His goals for them were recognised by Derby County who gave the Londoners a £280,000 for his signature on a transfer form. But Hales clearly struggled to produce the goods at the Baseball Ground and, seven goals and 22 appearances later, he was on his way again — this time to West Ham, before he joined Charlton for a second time.

Robinson found his chances limited with Spurs and gave a move to Charlton the nod with the hope that his new club would bring him a change in luck when he linked with Paddy Powell — how many Luton fans remember him playing for Stevenage some years ago? Powell is another Charlton player in his second spell with the club after a summer in America with Boston club New England Teamen.

Leroy Ambrose forced his way into the first team in the early-season League Cup tie against Peterborough after signing full time professional forms only in August.

The arrival of Johns at the Valley forced Jeff Wood into the background, but one of the club's longest serving players still has hopes of setting an appearance record. He's full back Phil Warman after

joining them 11 years ago. Another full back is Scot David Campbell.

One of Athletic's biggest assets is the height of the defence with players like Campbell, Les Berry — formerly with Mansfield and Arsenal — and Peter Shaw often standing well above opposing teams.

Midfield has been well served by reliable Dick Tydeman, a capture from Gillingham where he made almost 300 appearances for the Kent club. Steve Gritt is another midfielder player with a tenacious attitude. But no-one could have wished for a tougher Football League baptism than another midfielder player. Gary Churchouse.

He arrived at the Valley from Windsor last season and was almost immediately tuned into the relegation battle and played nine games towards the end of the season.

Johnny Ostergaard scored 20 goals in the Danish First Division last season and arrived at the Valley from Ikast in November. The other member of the Danish duo at Charlton is midfielder player Viggo Jacobsen who played for Kastrop. He has been named to play in the Danish squad against Mexico.

*Back row (left to right):* L. Berry, D. Campbell, J. Wood, M. Taylor, P. Shaw, D. Tydeman.

*Middle Row:* M. Bailey (Chief Coach), L. Ambrose, M. Robinson, T. Hazell, S. Gritt, C. Powell, J. Ostergaard, P. Walker, A. Sealey (Junior Coach).

*Front row:* D. Hales, P. Warman, R. Wilson, L. Madden, G. Churchouse, V. Jacobsen, P. Walsh.



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Use Motorway M1 until junction six. Leave Motorway and follow signs Watford A405/A41 and A411. Follow signs Slough A412 and, after just over half a mile, turn left into Harwoods Road. At end of "T" road, turn left into Vicarage Road.

If you are travelling to Orient by road, the following is the suggested route:

Use A406 North Circular Road, signposted Chelmsford, to Edmonton then, two and a half miles later at roundabout, take the third exit — A112 signposted Leyton. Pass Leyton Midland Road station and, half a mile later, turn right into Windsor Road, then left into Brisbane Road.

Future trips organised by the Bobbers Travel Club are:

		Adults	Children	
26 Dec.	WATFORD	£1.50	£1.00	TBA
29 Dec.	ORIENT	£1.50	£1.00	12.00 p.m.
18 Jan.	SWANSEA	£3.00	£2.50	1.00 p.m.
9 Feb.	OLDHAM	£3.00	£2.50	9.30 a.m.
23 Feb.	SUNDERLAND	£5.00	£4.00	8.00 a.m.
8 Mar.	PRESTON	£3.50	£3.00	9.00 a.m.
22 Mar.	Q.P.R.	£1.50	£1.00	12.00 p.m.
4 Apr.	CHARLTON	£1.50	£1.00	12.00 p.m.
7 Apr.	CHELSEA	£1.50	£1.00	12.00 p.m.
19 Apr.	BIRMINGHAM	£2.50	£2.00	11.30 a.m.
3 May	NEWCASTLE	£5.00	£4.00	8.00 a.m.

## FACE IN THE CROWD

Ticket office manager Bill Butler was faced with a dilemma after our home game against Newcastle United when not one, but two fans reported to him, both claiming to be the lucky winner in our last Face in the Crowd competition.

"The ticket office was full," reported Bill. "After looking at the picture in the programme and then at the two fans, I still couldn't tell who was who. They both looked so much alike.

"Even the people in the office couldn't help, but I soon solved the problem — I gave them both a stand ticket for the next match!"

Now on to this week's competition. All the person ringed in this picture has to do is to report to the ticket office after the match. A stand ticket for the next home game waits for the lucky fan.



## DOWN MEMORY LANE

Probably one of the best centre forwards to wear the number nine shirt, Hugh Billington, still lives in Luton and is working at the Vauxhall Motors Luton factory.

Born at Ampthill, he played for Luton schoolboys, and later gained a big reputation playing for Waterlows, then in the Spartan League. It was from there he signed for the Town.

In an F.A. Cup tie against Notts County, he scored five goals in what was his greatest triumph for the club. He was later transferred to Chelsea for a sizable fee for those days, and scored many goals for them. It was afterwards said that, had the war not broken out, Hugh would have played for England.

At the time of writing, it is hoped he is a guest of the club for today's match.



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Tom and Paul wish all Excelsior Travel Club members a Merry Christmas and Happy New Year.



# FACTS AND FIGURES

### LEAGUE DIVISION TWO TABLE 1979-80

Club	Home			Away			Pts	Gls
	P	D	L	F	A	D		
Newcastle Utd.	20	9	1	10	19	7	2	11
Chelsea	20	4	1	2	17	11	28	12
Luton Town	20	4	5	1	18	9	6	2
Leicester City	20	5	3	2	17	13	4	4
Birmingham	20	6	2	1	18	8	3	4
Sunderland	20	7	2	1	23	7	0	3
Wrexham	20	9	1	0	24	6	3	1
West Ham Utd.	20	7	1	0	15	6	3	1
Preston	20	3	7	0	12	12	2	4
Swansea	20	7	0	3	18	10	1	4
Notts County	20	5	3	2	16	18	1	5
Cardiff City	20	4	4	2	16	10	3	1
Cambridge Utd.	20	5	3	3	17	10	2	4
Oldham Athletic	20	5	3	2	13	9	0	4
Watford	20	5	3	2	16	14	0	3
Charlton	20	5	3	2	16	14	0	3
Shrewsbury	20	5	3	2	16	14	0	3
Bristol Rovers	20	4	4	2	18	12	1	1
Fulham	20	3	2	5	11	16	3	1
Burnley	20	2	4	4	10	2	0	4

### FOOTBALL COMBINATION

Club	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Chelsea	23	16	3	4	41	24	35
Arsenal	22	16	2	4	56	24	34
Tottenham	23	14	5	4	55	25	33
Norwich City	21	13	4	4	41	14	30
O.P.R.	20	12	3	5	50	37	27
Fulham	26	11	2	8	35	25	24
Leicester City	21	11	2	7	41	41	24
Southampton	22	9	6	7	34	35	24
Bristol Rovers	21	10	3	7	46	32	23
Crystal Palace	21	6	8	6	36	27	20
Luton Town	21	6	8	6	31	27	20
Oxford United	21	7	6	8	27	32	19
Birmingham	20	7	5	8	27	32	19
Ipswich Town	20	6	6	8	31	29	18
West Ham Utd	20	6	5	9	29	36	17
Cardiff City	21	6	3	12	26	39	15
Orient	22	4	5	11	28	45	13
Hereford Utd.	22	4	4	13	38	59	12
Plymouth	21	4	4	13	38	59	12
Swindon Town	19	3	2	14	23	69	8
Reading	19	3	2	14	23	69	8

### DIV. 2 APPEARANCES & GOALSCORERS 1979-80

Player	App	FLC	Gls	FA	
				FLC	Gls
Aizlewood	9	2	1	1	1
Birchall	4	3	1	1	1
Bunn	5(3)	2	1	1	1
Cox	1	2	1	1	1
Cosby	2	2	1	1	1
Fearon	17	2	1	1	1
Goodyear	16(2)	2	1	1	1
Harriott	1	2	1	1	1
Heale	1	2	1	1	1
Ingram	19	2	10	1	1
Hill	20	2	4	1	1
Moss	20	2	14	1	1
Price	19	2	2	1	1
Saxby	20	2	3	1	1
Stein	20	2	3	1	1
Stephens	20	2	3	1	1
Turner W.	2	1	1	1	1
West	18	1	1	1	1

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### DIVISION TWO AVERAGE ATTENDANCES

Club	Best	Average
Sunderland	25,877	24,299(10)
Newcastle	27,744	23,915(10)
Chelsea	30,859	22,339(10)
West Ham	31,527	22,048(10)
Birmingham	25,748	18,285(10)
Leicester City	22,472	17,095(10)
Watford	23,239	16,094(10)
Swansea	22,000	15,698(10)
O.P.R.	24,692	14,226(10)
Luton Town	19,619	11,551(10)
Wrexham	13,693	10,274(10)
Preston	12,707	10,128(10)
Cardiff	16,328	9,584(10)
Notts County	12,646	9,465(10)
Fulham	16,746	8,604(10)
Oldham	11,486	8,431(10)
Shrewsbury	11,007	8,356(10)
Charlton	19,021	7,414(10)
Burnley	8,751	7,282(10)
Bristol Rov.	8,949	6,476(10)
Orient	13,009	6,443(10)
Cambridge	8,792	6,263(10)

### DIVISION TWO HOT SHOTS

Player	Clubs	Goals
ALLEN, O.P.R.	16 DAVIES, Fulham	11
MOSS, Luton Town	14 HATTON, Luton Town	10
CROSS, West Ham	14 YOUNG, Leicester	10
SHOULDER, Newcastle	13	

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### LEAGUE DIVISION TWO FIXTURES 1979-80

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Aug. 11	Gillingham (L.C. 1, 1L)	14 Gillingham (L.C. 1, 2L)
18	Cambridge United	21 Bristol Rovers
25	Orient	1 Leicester City
Sept. 1	Swansea City	8 Swanssea City
8	Notts County	15 Notts County
15	Dinham Athletic	22 Dinham Athletic
22	Fulham	6 Fulham
Oct. 6	Cardiff City	9 Cardiff City
13	Bristol Rovers	8 Bristol Rovers
20	West Ham Utd	13 West Ham Utd
27	Preston North End	3 Preston North End
Nov. 3	Cambridge United	10 Cambridge United
10	Queens Park Rangers	17 Queens Park Rangers
17	Burnley	24 Burnley
Dec. 1	Shrewsbury Town	14 Shrewsbury Town
8	Newcastle United	8 Newcastle United
15	Wrexham (FAC 2)	21 Wrexham (FAC 2)
21	Charlton Athletic	9, 145 1-3
28	Orient	26 Orient
Jan. 5	Swindon/Torquay (FA 3)	12 Swindon/Torquay (FA 3)
12	Leicester City	18 Leicester City
19	Swansea City	26 F.A. Cup 4
Feb. 2	Notts County	9 Notts County
9	Oldham Athletic	16 Fulham (FAC 5)
16	Fulham (FAC 5)	23 Sunderland
Mar. 23	Sunderland	1 West Ham United
30	Preston North End (FAC 6)	14 Preston North End (FAC 6)
Apr. 6	League Cup Final	22 League Cup Final
13	Queens Park Rangers	15 Queens Park Rangers
20	Burnley	29 Burnley
27	Watford	5 Watford
Apr. 4	Charlton Athletic	7 Charlton Athletic
11	Chelsea	8 Chelsea
18	Shrewsbury T. (FAC SF)	18 Shrewsbury T. (FAC SF)
25	Birmingham City	25 Birmingham City
May 1	Wrexham	19 Wrexham
8	Newcastle United	3 Newcastle United
15	F.A. Cup Final	10 F.A. Cup Final

### FOOTBALL COMBINATION FIXTURES 1979-80

Date	Home	Away
Aug. 20	Swindon Town	1-1
27	Bristol City	1-2
Sept. 1	Reading	0-0
8	Fulham	0-3
15	Crystal Palace	1-0
17	Bristol Rovers	3-0
22	Arsenal	2-2
29	Swindon Town	1-0
Oct. 6	West Ham Utd.	0-1
13	Birmingham City	1-1
20	Queens Park R.	1-4
27	Hereford Utd.	0-2
Nov. 3	Southampton	1-1
10	Leicester City	1-1
17	Ipswich Town	0-0
24	Chelsea	0-0
Dec. 1	Queens Park Rangers	3-2
8	Orient City	0-0
15	Plymouth Argyle	0-0
22	Tottenham H.	0-1
29	Bristol City	0-0
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12	Reading	0-0
19	Fulham	0-0
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9	Arsenal	0-0
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JOHN FINDLAY	1	JEFF WOOD	
KIRK STEPHENS	2	TONY HAZELL	
MAL DONAGHY	3	PETER SHAW	
TONY GREALISH	4	DICK TYDEMAN	
MIKE SAXBY	5	LES BERRY	
PAUL PRICE	6	LAWRIE MADDEN	
RICKY HILL	7	PADDY POWELL	
ALAN WEST	8	VIGGO JACOBSON	
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