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Brian Stein puts in a shot



Move over . . .
Brian Stein races through in
an attempt to win possession



LUTON TOWN 3 QUEENS PARK RANGERS 0

Our 3-1 defeat at Sheffield Wednesday the previous week was soon forgotten as we quickly eliminated any threat QPR tried to offer by beating them 3-0 at Kenilworth Road last Saturday.

Above: Keeper John Burridge is caught flat-footed as Godfrey Ingram's header beats him for our first goal.

Below: Burridge goes down to save from Godfrey Ingram with David Moss and former Luton player Don Shanks paying close attention.

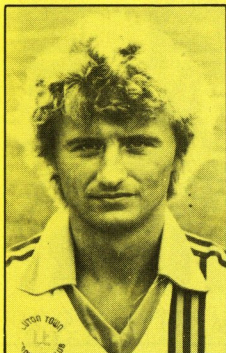
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A C T I O N . . A C T I O N

THE CURTAIN FALLS WITH A BUMPER ISSUE

Next Saturday marks the end of another season at Kenilworth Road when we entertain Oldham Athletic in our final home match.



But it doesn't mark the end of the hectic activity behind the scenes because the match day magazine for the Oldham game is a bumper issue which includes a 16-page insert devoted to the first of the events in Paul Price's testimonial year.

It is a superb pro-am golf tournament, scheduled for Beadlow Manor on Thursday 7th May, when top professionals and personalities will be participating.

If you buy a match day magazine next week, it will entitle you to admission to designated areas of the course to watch some fine golf.

The 16-page insert includes a complete run-down on all the professionals and tells you all you want to know about what's happening on the day. We have even managed to persuade our players, in addition to those from other clubs, to play.

Remember, the purchase of a match day magazine next week gives you admission to certain parts of the course. It's going to be a superb day out. Don't miss it and, at the same time, support a deserving testimonial for one of our most devoted players.

BOX OFFICE . . . BOX OFFICE . . .

Elsewhere in today's issue you will find, among John Wilkinson's notes, full details of next year's Members' Ticket applications including the prices for the various blocks.

However, we would once again impress on applicants for renewal of this season's tickets that it is a tremendous help if you can renew by post.

Tickets for our last home game of the season against Oldham are now on sale.

We plan to circulate all clubs in our division for complete details of all of their admission prices, both seating and standing to help you when planning your trips away next season. Away support this season has really been terrific, especially the Newcastle Cup match. We hope you will all keep it up and we will always try to obtain tickets and other information to make things easier.

Many enquiries have already been received about the date when next season's fixtures will be available. Although we receive a provisional list at the end of June, it is usually the second or third week in July before we receive the printed fixture cards.

We are also receiving many telephone calls regarding

season tickets and the position if we play Sunday football. As already stated it is not possible to consider the Sunday football situation until we know how the fixtures are scheduled. However, as chief executive John Smith has already explained, only probably two, at the most, fixtures would be played on a Sunday if it was deemed that this would benefit the club and not cause too much inconvenience.

We are most anxious to keep our good relationship locally and all this has to be taken into consideration. However, it is best to renew your members ticket and, should any fixtures be arranged for a Sunday, you may then ask for your members ticket to be cancelled and have your money refunded.

BUMPER PROGRAMME FAIR

Collecting football programmes is currently big business with rare and interesting issues bringing high prices.

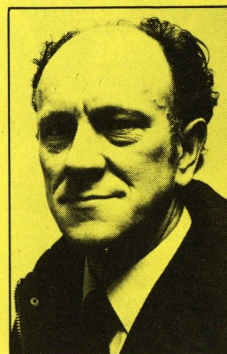
The Football Programme Directory are holding their annual fair and exhibition at the Connaught Rooms, Great Queen Street, London EC2 on Saturday 13th June, when dealers and collectors from all over Britain will be looking for items to increase their collection.

Thousands of programmes, ranging in price from a few pence to pounds each, will be on display. Last year's attendance was over 2,000 and the organisers confidently expect that to be equalled in June.

CALLING JUNIOR HATTERS

The pre-match entertainment at our last home game of the season against Oldham Athletic a week today will consist of a relay race around the edge of the pitch.

We are looking for a team of eight Junior Hatters youngsters, whose ages range from 8 to 14, to compete against a Cleandustrial team. Anyone interested should contact Colin Ball in the club's offices in Kenilworth Road.

BEHIND THE SCENES

Fred Bunyan, our maintenance man, is really a jack of all trades — and master of the lot. When one job is finished, another is started — and finished in a polished professional way.

Every job Fred starts is given priority rating. But Fred never grumbles and manages to get it finished on schedule.

Fred has followed in his father's footsteps because Fred senior was maintenance man before him. A Lutonian, Fred was previously employed by Vauxhall Motors.

DAVID'S
DIARY

I was particularly pleased with our emphatic victory over QPR last week. But the race to the First Division is still wide open and the keyword for success is consistency.

Our visitors today have showed improved form in the second-half of the season and it could be that, next season, they will be forerunners in the Third Division promotion race. Their problems have been considerable — leasehold troubles with the ground, a stand catching fire and, worst of all, too many changes on the management side. We wish Terry Cooper well in the forthcoming months.

After today's game we hope that we can do ourselves justice in London on Monday against Chelsea. Like ourselves, they have struggled to gain consistency and their scoring record in recent weeks is poor. Geoff Hurst has said he needs money for players but he must understand, I'm sure, that with big overdrafts and stadiums to maintain, this is not easy.

During the Easter week we invited several schoolboys to our training sessions and are confident this summer's intake of apprentices will be successful. We intend to keep the same structure next season in the South East Counties and Midland Youth League. This morning we had boys from as far afield as Lincolnshire, Yorkshire, South Wales and Suffolk playing against Oxford United at the Talbot Sports Ground. Our coaches have worked hard organising these visits and it is up to the boys to work equally hard if given the opportunity to join the club.

Many supporters have written to me recently complaining about the state of the pitch. We have had a wet winter and there is clay 18" beneath the surface, consequently drainage needs to be improved and it is a constant headache for our groundsman Dick Wassell. Next year we shall be looking at a pitch cover which would reduce the chances of our skilful players performing on either a mud heap or a hard baked top. Our game is based on accurate passing and a good surface is vital.

The Century Club Annual Dinner made a pleasant evening and our own players were generous in their praise for their selected Player of the Year, Ricky Hill. This is the time of year for fetes, galas, presentations and dinners. The players and staff will always do their best to attend but any requests could be met with a polite refusal as we have families and holiday commitments.

Please don't be offended if we can't make it. During the season the staff and players have made extra efforts to attend numerous charity functions and worthy causes and I know their tremendous commitment is appreciated.

Enjoy today's game and get behind the players.



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John's Journal

Here is an important message for Member Season Ticket Holders. Members' Season Tickets for the 1981-82 season are now on sale from the ticket office in Kenilworth Road and the prices are:

Centre Stand, Blocks A, B, C — £50; Centre Stand, Blocks D, E, H — £45; Bobbers Stand, all seats — £40; Main Wing Stand — £35; All Standing Areas — £30.

The cost for juveniles — 15 and under — senior citizens, students for seats and all other areas is £20.

Existing holders of main wing stand seats may transfer to Blocks D, E, H, if they wish, at 10 per cent off the adult price. Senior citizens, juveniles and students may also change but not at the concession price.

The above prices will apply until 30th June. After that, all members

tickets will be increased by £5 and all unclaimed seats will then be offered for general sale. There will be no exceptions to this rule.

If you travel by car, why not consider a car park season ticket at a cost of £16.50. Preference will be given to member ticket holders and, as we have only a limited number to offer, please call in and see Bill Butler in the ticket office and obtain yours now. Any car park season tickets left will be available to non-member holders after 30th June.

We welcome today our friends from Bristol Rovers who have not had the best of seasons and, in addition to not getting results, they even had to contend with a fire which completely wiped out their main stand and dressing rooms. I will not add to the gloom by mentioning anything about a game which always comes to

mind when our two clubs meet. You will find details of that elsewhere in today's issue.

I received an interesting letter from a Mrs Larsen who now lives in Denmark. Until she was 21, she lived in Luton and, recently, her neighbour visited Luton and spent two days with the club watching the training and looking around our facilities.

On his return he remarked about the hospitality which was shown to him and that he will never forget his visit here. Mrs Larsen goes on to say that she always had to get an atlas out to show where Luton was situated in England. Not any more!



JOHN WILKINSON Secretary

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JUNIOR HATTERS



ANYONE FOR FIVE-A-SIDE?

This week, I would like our members to meet our Junior Hatters (Under-10) Five-a-side team, which we have entered in the Putteridge Recreation Centre competition.

After a shaky start, they have improved with every game, and their record to date is — Played 8, won 2, drawn 4, lost 2. Goals for 6, Goals against 4, Points 8.

Their efforts have prompted the thought that the Junior Hatters Club is now large and widespread enough to run its own Five-a-side competition. To do this, we would need parents, or any interested adults to be responsible for running each Five-a-side team entered in an organised competition.

If this idea has appeal, Junior Hatters should "nudge a few elbows" and ask interested grown-ups to contact me, either by letter or telephone (Luton 37079), with names and addresses and a telephone number, (day or evening). The response to this will determine whether the idea is worthwhile or not. So, over to you!

Today sees an interesting event taking place on the pitch in the form of a "Junior Football Club Presentation". Barton Stars, keen to involve Luton Town in their end-of-season presentation, also realised that it is a busy time for club officials, so instead of asking them to visit Barton, they asked if they could come to Luton Town and be presented with their awards on the pitch.

A novel idea, and a very pleasurable task for me to perform today for the youthful Barton Stars, at the same time wishing



This is our Junior Hatters Five-a-side team. Pictured are — Back row: Jeremy Harvey, Stuart Williamson. Front row: James Boag, Matthew Wing, Darren Billington.

them good luck and success in the future.

Last week's home game against QPR produced one of the best attendances of the season in our popular *Evening Post-Echo* enclosure at the Oak Road end of the stadium.

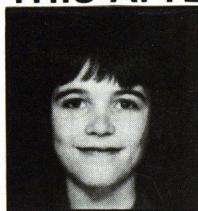
The *Evening Post-Echo* entertained hundreds of youngsters from all over our catchment area as our young supporters travelled to the game in a convoy of coaches.

By now, you will have realised that Junior Hatters have their own exclusive column in the *Evening Post-Echo* — the sponsors of Luton's ambitious youth system — every Tuesday.

I am grateful to the *Evening Post-Echo* for making space available which allows me to include members' birthdays as and when they occur. If you want to keep in touch with the Junior Hatters, ask your parents to order a copy of the *Evening Post-Echo*.

COLIN BALL
Youth Development Officer

THIS AFTERNOON'S MASCOT



We welcome 13-year-old Mark Vasey to Kenilworth Road this afternoon as official mascot for the game against Rovers.

Mark lives in Misbourne Drive, Great Missenden, and attends Misbourne Secondary School. He also belongs to the Boys Brigade and plays in goal for his school team. His favourite Luton player is Ricky Hill, who was voted Player of the Year by the Century Club at their annual ball last week.



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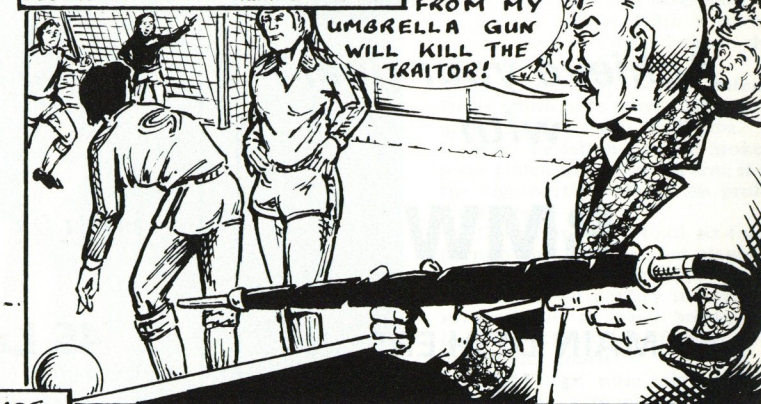
WHICH SIDE WAS HE ON?

EPISODE TWENTY - TWO

by Ray Aspden.

THE STORY SO FAR... YOUNG "BOBBIN" DINO, LEATOWN'S NEW FOREIGN SIGNING, IS PLAYING DESPITE A THREAT AGAINST HIS LIFE.

A SPOT ON SHOT FROM MY UMBRELLA GUN WILL KILL THE TRAITOR!



THE SIXTH SENSE WHICH MADE "BOBBIN" SUCH A FINE POSITIONAL PLAYER, WARNED HIM THERE WAS DANGER AT HIS BACK!



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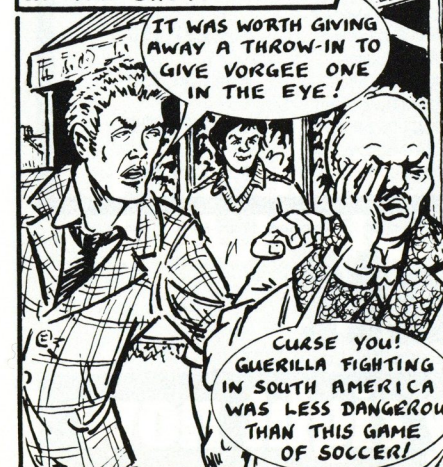


"BOBBIN" GOT THE SHOT IN FIRST... RIGHT ON TARGET!

TRY THAT FOR SIZE!

YAAARGH!

SQUID OF M16 FOLLOWED UP THE SHOT.



IT WAS WORTH GIVING AWAY A THROW-IN TO GIVE VORGEE ONE IN THE EYE!

CURSE YOU! GUERRILLA FIGHTING IN SOUTH AMERICA WAS LESS DANGEROUS THAN THIS GAME OF SOCCER!

DESPITE VORGEE'S ARREST, BOBBIN COULDN'T LIFT HIS GAME. LEATOWN WERE 1-0 DOWN AT HALF-TIME. THEN...



NO! I JUST DON'T BELIEVE IT! IT CAN'T BE HIM!

WHO IS WAITING FOR "BOBBIN"? NEXT WEEK: THE CLIMAX OF THE SEASON AND THE CONCLUSION OF THIS STORY!



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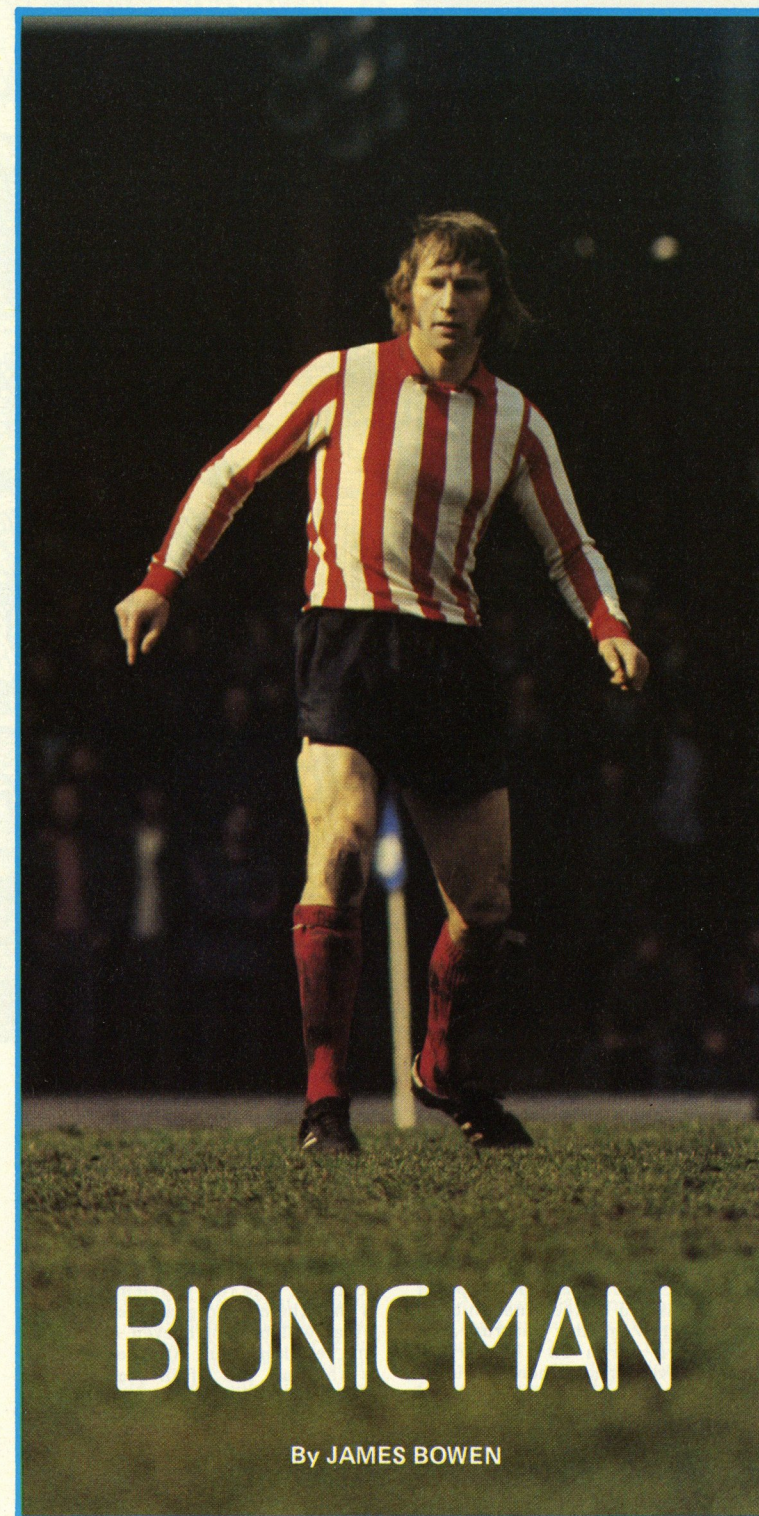
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By JAMES BOWEN

There have been 18 footballers called Smith who have pulled on the England international jersey – from G.O. of Oxford University back in the 1890s to the better known Bobby of Spurs, and Tommy of Liverpool.

Yet the bravest Smith of them all doesn't have an England cap to show for all his football pains.

He's veteran Stoke City defender Denis Smith, who must qualify as the unluckiest footballer of all time.

When he fell in a recent Stoke reserve match and broke his arm, it was the *eighteenth* break of his professional career.

This strapping, blond six-footer, born in the Potteries, has played his entire career for Stoke City.

If the local pottery industry had suffered half as many breakages as big Denis, they'd have finished in the bankruptcy courts.

Arms, legs, nose. He's smashed them all in a tough-tackling career which has seen him to up well over 500 first-team appearances.

Down through the years, a dozen top strikers have given me the same answer to the question: "Who is the toughest defender you've played against?"

Unashamedly, they've plumped for Denis Smith.

Some players never recover completely from one broken leg. Not the big Stoke stopper!

His one-time manager, Tony Wadlington, once told me: "If you sawed off both his legs, he'd still be willing to crawl out there and play for you on Saturday."

Not so long back, Smith introduced the bandana to English soccer. It wasn't done for style. It was merely to protect yet another head wound.

Alas, Smith is one of a dying breed. The type of player who has an inbuilt resentment of the treatment table; the type of guy who thinks he's taking money under false pretences if he has to sit out a match through injury.

One of the country's top referees, who has handled Smith in dozens of matches over the last decade, has told me:

"He's a right hard competitor, but never dirty. He's one of those players who isn't happy unless he's giving you 110 per cent effort."

Alas, football is one of those endless wars in which they don't dish out medals for bravery. If they did, Denis Smith's chest would glitter more brightly than General Patton's.

He hasn't had the best of breaks, if you'll pardon the painful pun.

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IN FOCUS



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BRISTOL ROVERS

Bristol Rovers and Bristol City have combined to make the West Country a disaster area as far as football is concerned this season.

With City appearing to have little hope of avoiding the dreaded drop, their neighbours at Eastville are already resigned to Third Division football next season.

Rovers arrive at Kenilworth Road this afternoon well stranded at the bottom of the division, and manager Terry Cooper could not have wished for a tougher baptism after his team had won only five games before last week's match, Shrewsbury — another candidate for relegation.

The former England and Leeds stalwart knows he faces a difficult job in attempting to rebuild his team and Rovers had the unenviable record of helping West Ham to the First Division when they lost 2-0 at Upton Park two weeks ago.

Rovers first setback arrived in August last year when their Eastville offices and stand were gutted by fire. They were forced to play some of their home games at City's Ashton Gate ground and that didn't help them with attendances.

New ground safety regulations have reduced the capacity but, before the fire, Rovers were never able to boast good home attendances. Their clash against West Ham persuaded only just over 6,000 to watch the game and Luton's appearance at Eastville after Christmas attracted only 7,010.

Like many other clubs, Rovers have been feeling the financial pinch, and Cooper's fight wasn't helped when he had to sell players to help the club survive.

Frontrunner Chic Bates left for Shrewsbury and, at the end of last season, Rovers lost Frankie Prince and Stewart Taylor. But the Rovers fans came to Cooper's aid when he made a successful at-

tempt to sign striker Paul Randall from Stoke City.

Randall left for the Potteries when Stoke signed him from Rovers after he had made 49 appearances and scoring 33 goals. That record attracted the attention of the First Division club but they sold him back to Bristol — and the fans launched a fund to finance the signing.

Rovers have been forced to rely heavily on producing their own players through the club's nursery system and keeper Martin Thomas has been earmarked as a possible successor to Welsh international Dai Davies. Thomas has been a first team regular for three years although, however, he lost his place earlier in the season to Phil Kite.

Another Welsh youngster Vaughan Jones, just 20, gained a regular spot a year ago at full-back and is expected to have a bright future in the game. He is partnered by Donnie Gillies, an experienced and aggressive tackling Scot who moved from Ashton Gate for a £50,000 fee in the close season. He had over 200 first team outings for City.

Bater was born in Cardiff and came in to the side shortly after Rovers promotion to Division Two in 1974. Young Mark Hughes from Port Talbot made his debut last April against West Ham and has this season given some consistent performances at the heart of the defence.

Gary Mabbutt, midfielder son of a former Rovers star has overcome the problem of diabetes to become one of the rising stars of the game. Last year he captained the England Youth team and this season has attracted the scouts from the top clubs. Gary Emmanuel came to Eastville from Birmingham for £50,000 two years ago. A former Welsh Under-23 cap he is a good passer of the ball.

Another lad from the valleys is David Williams, who qualified as a teacher before turning professional. Like Emmanuel, his distribution is first class but should he play this afternoon watch out for some explosive shooting.

Dangerman Barrowclough is the side's leading scorer to date. Up front he is partnered by Bob Lee signed from Sunderland in the autumn and young Mike Barrett a Bristolian who has broken through to the first team this year.

Also challenging for a first team place will be big Steve Harding. Tony Pulis, needless to say from South Wales is another on the fringe of the first team. Equally at home in defence or attack he is according to Rovers followers the epitome of perpetual motion.

Rovers best buy has undoubtedly been Aiden McCaffrey who arrived from Derby in September. Though operating in the back four he has still found the net six times.

For the record, we won the earlier tussle against Rovers when a hat-trick from Brian Stein helped us to a 4-2 victory.

Back row (left to right): Shaun Penny, Vaughan Jones, Mike England, Steve Harding, Dave Palmer, Ashley Griffiths, Keith Brown.

Middle row: Phil Bater, Mark Hughes, Tony Pulis, Martin Thomas, Phil Kite, Mark Stevens, Geraint Williams, Steve Dean, Gary Mabbutt.

Bottom row: Gary Emmanuel, Donnie Gillies, Stewart Barrowclough, Terry Cooper (*Manager*), Chic Bates (*now Shrewsbury*), Mike Barrett, David Williams.



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Down Memory Lane

Forty-five years ago last week, Lutonians could have watched "that favourite BBC comedian" Leonard Henry appearing at the town's Grand Theatre.

Those who favoured the cinema could have watched Conrad Veidt and Noah Beery in "King of the Damned" at the Palace, or Claudette Colbert and Fred MacMurray in "The Bride Comes Home" at the Alma.

It was during the period when Luton supporters could pre-book seats in the main stand for three shillings and sixpence.

Those who didn't fancy a trip to the theatre or cinema and, instead, paid their 3/6 to watch the Town will never forget the afternoon. Bristol Rovers provided the opposition at Kenilworth Road and those in the stands and on the terraces had no idea of what they were going to see.

It was Eastertime and the Town's third holiday fixture.

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Bristol Rovers travelled from the West Country after conceding six goals against Notts County and Aldershot and five against Crystal Palace.

If you have read this far and haven't recognised the historical occasion, let us jog your memories and remind you that this was the game in which Joe Payne scored 10 goals — and he wasn't even down in the pro-

gramme to play!

He came into the side at No. 9 for Boyd with Finlayson taking the place of Gooney at No. 4.

Joe Payne's record of 10 goals in Luton's 12-0 victory will never be repeated. But, by digging deep into the Town's archives at Kenilworth Road, we managed to find the programme for that day. For the benefit of our older supporters, we reproduce the teams.

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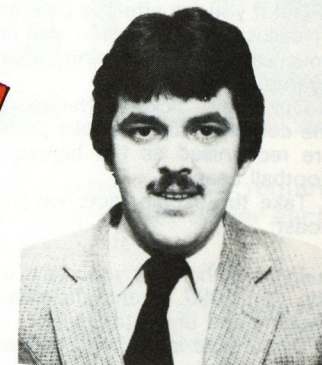
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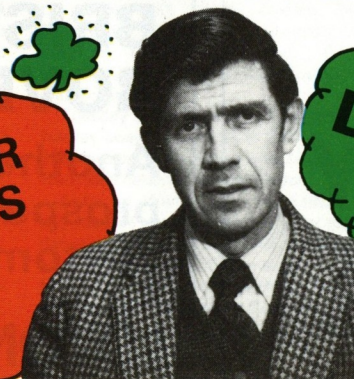


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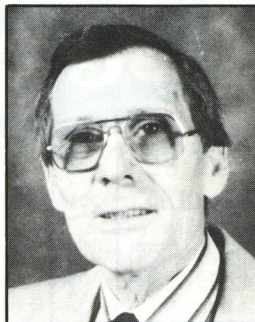
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MIKE HARDWICKE *Commercial Manager*

Century Club

Today we welcome our old friends from Bristol Rovers, with whom we have had a long standing rapport. Unhappily for them, and for us too, it looks as though we shall not see them next year — unless they can do an Houdini act. But our good wishes go to them for next season.

The Annual Ball has been the talking point with Century Club members this week. It was an excellent evening's entertainment, with the highlights being the awards to our Player of the Year and our Supporter of the Year.

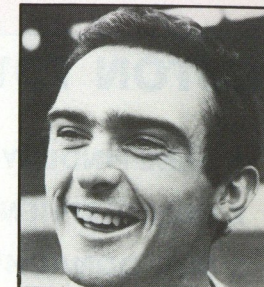
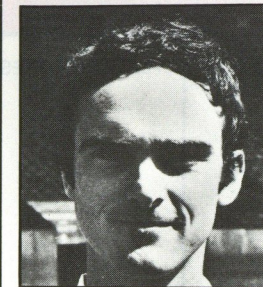
Both awards went to two very modest people. The popular vote for Player of the Year went overwhelmingly to Ricky Hill, and how well deserved it was. Congratulations Ricky.

Tom McAuliffe was the committee's choice as Supporter of the Year. For many years, Tom has sponsored our club raffles, which are held every home match and, in addition, has given prizes most generously to our Tombola Stall at our Annual Ball.

This sort of effort is absolutely vital to the financial well-being of our club, and Town's award is well deserved and most sincerely appreciated.

Our next social event is the End of Season Party on Saturday 25th April, when the award to the Young Player of the Year will be made by manager, David Pleat.

QUIZ SPOT



An easy one this week. All we require are the names to be placed under each picture — simple isn't it.

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Our players were responsible for helping to make the recent five-a-side football tournament a huge success. Dozens of teams and even more players thoroughly enjoyed themselves and, although Luton players gave up their free time to coach and assist the young players, it was an excellent exercise in public relations.

The final of the first Luton Under-12 seven-a-side cricket championships will be played before today's match. The winners will receive the David Evans Cup and represent Luton on 2nd May at Norwich in Anglia Televisions 'Champions All Competition'.

The teams taking part today are Harpenden Colts, Eagles, Woodlands, Brompton Colts, Rotherham, Putteridge

Lions, St. Josephs Colts "A" Streetfield, and Kokni Sports.

The Easter netball tournament starts next Wednesday at the Hatters Community Sports Arena, with the first match commencing at 10.00 a.m. The teams entered are:

Dennis Mortima Trophy: Pirton Fliers, Teddington Totts, Stopsley Seagulls, Pirton Hilliers, Leagrave Juniors, Lewsey Centre, Leighton, Waulud Bank, Farley, Stopsley Swans, Royston Tots, and Pirton Triers.

Ken Woodbridge Trophy: Lewsey Centre, Beech Hill Youth, Comets Seven, Stockwood, Vandike, Harlington, Toddington, Challeney, Royston, Cardinal Newman, Barton Youth Club, The Geminis, and Rotherham.

Tuesday sees the start of the three day hockey coaching course at Barnfield where 100 boys and girls will receive expert advice from international hockey players.

Also, on Wednesday, the Easter three day football coaching course takes place at Stopsley and Leagrave. One hundred and sixty boys will benefit from expert coaching from fully qualified coaches, who are members of Bedfordshire Coaches Association. The Luton five-a-side competition has

now finished, and the winners are:

Under-12 age group — Winners: St. Josephs Youth; Runners-up: Woburn Lions; Plate winners: St. Josephs Youth "A"; Plate runners-up: St. Josephs School "B"; Members Trophy: Oldhill United "A"; Sporting Trophy: St. Josephs School.

Under-15 age group — Winners: Limbury Boys Club; Runners-up: 61 FC; Plate winners: Icknield Youth; Plate runners-up: Dunstable Young Peoples Club; Top scoring team: Olympic Runners; Top scoring players: Paul Chapman, Olympic Runners; Members Trophy: Toddington Rovers.

Adult competition — Winners: Campani FC; Runners-up: Red Star; Plate winners: Luton Old Boys; Plate runners-up: Transfig Colts; Best defending team: Ashcroft Co-op; Members Trophy: Campani FC.

The big event for the summer is the *Evening Post-Echo* football school at Leagrave Park, starting on Monday 10th August to Friday 14th August 1981. This is for boys aged between 8 and 13 and the cost is £13 for five days.

For further information on any course or tournament, please ring or write to Mike Iacono, Marsh House Centre, Bramingham Road, Luton. (Luton 56879).

WHO'S PLAYING



LUTON TOWN

TEAM CHANGES

- 1 JAKE FINDLAY
- 2 KIRK STEPHENS
- 3 MAL DONAGHY
- 4 TONY GREALISH
- 5 MIKE SAXBY
- 6 PAUL PRICE
- 7 RICKY HILL
- 8 BRIAN STEIN
- 9 GODFREY INGRAM
- 10 RADDY ANTIC
- 11 DAVID MOSS
- 12

BRISTOL ROVERS

TEAM CHANGES

- 1 TOM McALLISTER
- 2 DONNIE GILLIES
- 3 TERRY COOPER
- 4 AIDEN McCAFFERY
- 5 MARK HUGHES
- 6 GARY EMMANUEL
- 7 GERAINT WILLIAMS
- 8 MIKE BARRETT
- 9 PAUL RANDALL
- 10 SHAUN PENNY
- 11 GARY MABBUTT
- 12

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 Grimsby Town v Oldham Athletic
 Notts County v Preston
 Orient v West Ham United
 Q.P.R. v Watford
 Sheffield Wednesday v Cambridge
 Swansea City v Cardiff City
 Wrexham v Shrewsbury Town
 Aston Villa v Nottingham Forest
 Coventry City v Stoke City
 Crystal Palace v Brighton

Everton v Middlesbrough
 Ipswich Town v Arsenal
 Leeds United v Liverpool
 Leicester City v Southampton
 Manchester United v W.B.A.
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