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# Carrow Chat



## IN TUNE

One item which escaped local press attention was the pre-match presentation of a £12,000 Variety Club of Great Britain Sunshine Coach. The money was raised by Norwich City Football club in conjunction with Radio 1 and the Bury St. Edmunds River Walk School. The picture above shows Canaries Chairman Sir Arthur South and Radio 1 D.J. Andy Peebles handing over the keys to the schools headmaster.

## FROM THE BOX OFFICE

The next Second Division game at Carrow Road is on Saturday 16 January when we entertain Rotherham United. Kick off 3.00pm. Tickets for this game are now on sale from the Box Office at the usual League prices, £2.00, £3.00, £3.50 and £4.00. This game is one selected for Daily Star Football Club members and Club Canary members to buy tickets at a special rate. They can purchase one adult and one juvenile ticket at turnstile 41 on the day of the match for £3 inclusive.

Daily Star Club members must produce their membership cards together with the relevant voucher from the Daily Star. Club Canary members must show their membership card.

A reminder that on matchdays tickets are available from the following turnstiles: South Stand 4, 5, 48, 49 (unreserved) & 50. Main Stand Block D, turnstiles 22 and in the River End Stand at turnstile 38.

## SHEFFIELD WEDNESDAY

The game postponed on December 19, has now been arranged for Wednesday February 3, at 7.30pm. Stand tickets issued for the original fixture will be valid.

## SWAP SHOP

Matthew Simmons of 49 Marine Parade, Great Yarmouth requires the programme from our home game with Barnsley played at Carrow Road on September 5. He would also like to hear from anybody wanting to sell any of last seasons programmes.

Danish supporter Stig Forsingdal

who lives in Luxembourg would like to swap European programmes. His address is 74, rue d'Anvers, L-1130 Luxembourg-Gare.

## PEN PAL

Tim Nash of 42 Hists Drive, Codsall, Wolverhampton, WV8 2ET is 10 years old and supports Wolverhampton Wanderers. He would like to correspond with a Norwich City fan aged 9-11.

## SEASON TICKETS

Season tickets for the remainder of this season are on sale from the Box Office. Tickets are available in the South Stand and River End Stand at approximately half price. Call in to the Box Office for full details.

## BALL BOYS

Today's ballboys come from the Waveney Youth Football Club. The lads on duty are: Carl Scott, Steven Harrity, Glen Meiael, Vincent Mudd and Alan Rigby.

## IN TIME!

Six fans attending the match this afternoon will be the winners of a ladies' Swiss watch, kindly donated by Croydon's the Jewellers who are the official timekeepers for the GOLDEN GOAL competition. To find out if you are one of the lucky six, turn to Mac's Commercial Page.

**Cover Man: Peter Mendham here shown weaving his magic against Bolton Wanderers.**

# Ken Brown



This afternoon we are pleased to be able to introduce former England Under-21 striker John Deehan to our side, following an agreement with W.B.A. to sign him on a months loan.

I must emphasise that this is in no way a stop-gap measure but a genuine deal with the intention of signing the player on a more permanent basis should we suite each other.

When reviewing our current situation it was obvious that we needed to overcome the goal famine that has produced just eight goals in our last ten games. With that in mind we then opened negotiations with Plymouth Argyle to get striker David Kemp on loan with a view to signing.

Unfortunately before the terms had been agreed we were confronted with another problem when Reserve team goalkeeper Clive Baker received an injury that will keep him out for three or four weeks. With Roger Hansbury on his way to Hong Kong it became imperative that we make provision to sign a loanee goalkeeper as cover . . . and that is when we fell foul of the present loan transfer regulations which stipulate that you can not have more than one player on loan at a time.

We were left no alternative but to ring Bobby Moncur and call the deal off. Then out of the blue I received a telephone call from a friend in Torquay who told me his son had just returned from a year stint with a Swedish club and although he had been offered another two year contract wanted to try his luck in English football. He was a free agent so we brought him over and played him in the Reserves against Orient and his performance in that 2-0 win convinced me he would be an ideal stand-by goalkeeper. As a result we have signed the young man — 21-year-old Paul McCullough as a non-contract player.

That meant we were still able to bring in a player on loan, but by then David Kemp was going to Gillingham so I contacted Ronnie Allen and enquired about John Deehan.

I must confess I like the idea of the loan transfer system, providing clubs do it for the correct reasons and not just to obtain a player on the cheap. It can save clubs a lot of money and players a lot of heart ache. For no matter how good a player is there is no guarantee that he will fit into the environment or for that matter the playing system or even blend with the players at the club and if this is the case then the transfer can prove embarrassing all round. The loan system provides a means of answering these questions before the agreement is signed sealed and delivered, which must be common sense in these days of handship.

This next month will certainly give us the opportunity to assess the players capabilities and likewise John can decide whether Norwich City is the club for him.

The ball is firmly in his court. If you look back to our pre-season performance it is evident what a loss Joe Royle proved. I signed Keith Bertschin with the idea of him feeding off big Joe but of course his forced absence has meant that the plan has never been implemented. With John Deehan we have the opportunity to cement a settled partnership between these two strikers and with Mark Barham and Dave Bennett returning after injury this could be the start of something exciting.

This does not conclude our re-building plans though and today we hope to have Norwegian international Arne Erlandsen at Carrow Road prior to a trial period before he returns home for Christmas. Arne is a midfield player who likes scoring goals and we wish him a pleasant stay with us in Norfolk.

Certainly we could not wish for a more attractive game to launch our new shaped attack. Luton Town are an exceptionally fine team and are now reaping the benefit of good management.

In a way we are in much the same position as Luton were some three or four years ago when David Pleat was re-building his team. It has taken time and patience and that is something we must exercise at Norwich.

Another significant factor has been Luton's relatively injury free passage. All successful clubs whether they be in the Fourth Division or at the highest level such as Liverpool and Aston Villa, must have this luck on their side.

Finally I missed the opportunity to wish you all a Happy Christmas because of the postponement of our game against sheffield Wednesday so neres wishing you a Happy and Prosperous New Year.

# LUTON TOWN

LUTON TOWN, harder to beat away from home than at Kenilworth Road, are maintaining an impressive tempo as they keep right on course for the First Division.

Those who believe in destiny could hardly argue that the Second Division's runaway leaders will not be there when the prizes are handed out next spring. For following two seasons of near misses the smell of promotion fills the Luton air, confidence has taken over from optimism, dispelling the local in-joke that the Hatters who finished sixth two seasons ago, fifth last year will probably make fourth place this term.

With basically the same complement of players as last season — they parted company with two first team regulars in the summer, when Welsh international defender Paul Price moved to Tottenham and Republic of Ireland midfielder Tony Grealish travelled south to Brighton — David Pleat has found the magic balance that suggests there will be no hitches this time round.

Another significant departure last summer was the transfer of their former skipper Alan West to Millwall. He was the last of former manager Harry Haslam's signings and that means that the current Luton team has been entirely assembled by Pleat, who must rank as one of the best young managers in the business.

It was seen as somewhat of a shock move when David Pleat was promoted to the managerial chair in the spring of 1978, for Luton were in the doldrums, facing bankruptcy and relegation. Quietly and efficiently he pulled them round, shook off the threats of relegation, ignored the wisps when things were not going too well and moulded a team that was versed in entertaining and progressive football... The result can be seen here at Carrow Road this afternoon.

Luton come boasting the best away record in the whole of the Football League having lost just once — at Newcastle on November 21 — when they pulled back from a two goal deficit to level terms, only to be beaten by the last kick of the match.

They have scored 41 goals in their opening 18 games — 17 of those goals coming on away grounds and a pointer towards their positive attitude is that they have scored in every away game this season. The sense of adventure has certainly paid dividends with only one defeat in the last ten games and a sequence of six straight victories.

One of the reasons behind the Hatters striking performances this season has been the introduction of Brian Horton. Made team captain he is an old hand at leading teams to promotion having performed the feat twice at Brighton. He was signed from Brighton last summer for £100,000, a week after Tony Grealish had made the trip the other way for a similar fee.

At the time David Pleat said he saw Horton as "the man who could make all the difference" and once more the Luton boss seems to have got it right although the 32 year old skipper is not counting his chickens yet. He cautions: "Although we have opened up a nice gap there is still a long way to go and I will not start thinking seriously about promotion until we are in a similar position as we are now with five or six games to go.

A significant factor in Luton's current form has been the ability to steer clear of major injuries and this has contributed to the teams consistent performances. It is expected that Jake Findlay will return in goal this afternoon after missing the last five games with an ankle injury. Towns former number one Milija Aleksic — Tottenham's FA Cup final goalkeeper — bridged the gap as a lonee, while the only

other major absentee has been centrehalf Mike Saxby who has missed the last six games through damaged ankle ligaments and would seem doubtful for today.

His place has been filled by young Clive Goodyear with Mal Donaghy acting as a steadying influence alongside and Kirk Stephens and Mark Aizlewood filling the fulback roles. However Donaghy has also proved to be Luton's secret weapon with six goals this season after managing just one in the past three seasons. The Northern Ireland international has scored them all from set pieces, timing his late runs towards the far post with perfection.

The settled midfield consists of Ricky Hill, Brian Horton and Pasquale Fuccillo with three strikers Brian Stein, Steve White who is the leading scorer with 13 goals and David Moss.

Luton can see promotion ahead but Mr Pleat warns. "We have now set ourselves up for the others to shoot down." Even so there can be very few who don't really believe that it will be hats off to David Pleat and his players come next May.

Opponents	FA	Scorers
CHARLTON	3-0	Donaghy, White, O.G.
Queens Park R	2-1	Aizlewood, Hill
Bolton	2-1	Aizlewood, Stein
SHEFFIELD WED	0-3	
Leicester	2-1	White 2
CARDIFF CITY	2-3	Saxby, Antic
WATFORD	4-1	Stein 2, Moss 2
Orient	3-0	Aizlewood, Hill, White
Oldham	1-1	White
GRIMSBY	6-0	White 4, Moss, Fuccillo
Wrexham	2-0	Donaghy, White
CRYSTAL PALACE	1-0	Moss
DERBY COUNTY	3-2	Donaghy, Moss Goodyear
Blackburn	1-0	Moss
Newcastle	2-3	Donaghy, Moss
BOLTON	2-0	Stein, Moss
ROTHERHAM	3-1	Donaghy, Stein, White
Shrewsbury	2-2	Donaghy, White

SUMMARY							
	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
AWAY	9	6	2	1	17	9	20
HOME	9	7	0	2	24	10	21
Total	18	13	2	3	41	19	41

**JAKE FINDLAY.** Goalkeeper who had languished in the reserves at Aston Villa for nine years, Findlay's huge hands grasped the chance immediately David Pleat offered him the green jersey at Luton. And the mystery now so far as Luton supporters are concerned, is why Jock Stein has not taken Pleat's advice to give big Jake a Scottish international cap. Luton paid their highest-ever fee for a goalkeeper when they parted with £100,000 for Findlay in November 1979.

**KIRK STEPHENS.** David Pleat took a chance with an unknown player from non-league soccer when he went back to his old club Nuneaton to recruit their young right back. Stephens rapidly switched to full-time soccer, forced his way into Luton's Second Division side in a matter of weeks and is now in his third season as a regular.

**MARK AIZLEWOOD.** Several clubs had noticed the talent of a young defender playing for Newport County in the Fourth Division when Luton decided to take the plunge. They paid £50,000 for the 18-year-old left back in the summer of



**Back Row:** Raddy Antic; Brian Stein; Steve White; Frank Bunn; Clive Goodyear; Alan Judge; Mike Saxby; Jake Findlay; Pasquale 'Lil' Fuccillo; Paul Keys; Mal Donaghy; Brian Horton; Mark Aizlewood;  
**Front Row:** Neil Madden; Rob. Johnson; Wayne Turner; Ray Brammer; Godfrey Ingram; Kirk Stephens; Seamus Heath; Mike Small; Ricky Hill.

1978 and he has been a regular member of their first team squad ever since. He has been capped by Wales at youth and under-21 level.

**CLIVE GOODYEAR.** A young inexperienced defender from Lincoln. He had made only 6 league appearances before being called in to replace the injured Mike Saxby. If he plays today it will be his second visit to Carrow Road this season having played in the Football Combination fixture last month.

**MAL DONAGHY.** One of David Pleat's first deals snatched inexperienced defender Donaghy from Larne, Northern Ireland in the summer of 1978. Now, at 21, he has proved to be a snip at £20,000. He settled into Second Division soccer without fuss, and is happy playing in any back four position or in midfield, and his promotion to the Northern Ireland international team surprised no-one at Luton.

**RICKY HILL.** Voted player of the year by Luton supporters last season, Hill's talent has moved Luton manager David Pleat to ask Ron Greenwood to consider him for England duty. West Ham fancied him when he was 14 and playing in schoolboy football in North London, but Luton got in first to sign him as a youth. He made his league debut when he was 17, in 1976, marked it with a goal, and has been destroying opposing midfields and scoring regularly ever since.

**BRIAN HORTON.** Luton abandoned their normal policy when they paid a modest fee to Brighton for Horton's signature — he was the first Division One player manager David Pleat had signed in three years as boss. The midfielder was immediately appointed club captain by Luton. He had also been skipper at Brighton in their run from the Third Division to the First. He joined Luton with a well-earned reputation for consistency — having made more than 200 appearances for each of his previous clubs, Brighton and Port Vale.

**PASQUALE FUCCILLO.** Son of Italian parents living in Bedford, midfielder Fuccillo has had to work harder than most to make the grade. He made rapid progress through Luton's junior teams and made his League debut in 1976, when he was 19. Tragedy halted his career twice: he broke his leg in a match at Brighton in December 1978, started a comeback,

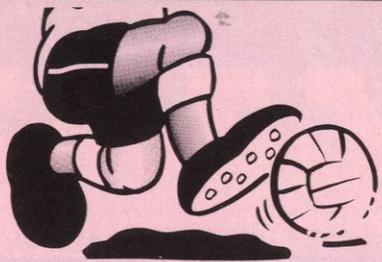
then broke it again in a practice game. It took more than a year to regain fitness the second time, but he proved conclusively last season that his injury worries were over. He has a knack of breaking forward to score, and marked his second comeback with a goal in his first match back in the Second Division.

**BRIAN STEIN.** For a centre-forward, Brian Stein looks to small and light. But opposing centre-halves have rarely been able to hold him in check as ball skill turns them all ways. He was a 20 year-old part-timer with Edgware Town when Luton persuaded him to try his luck in October 1977. He made his league debut within a month, and has never looked like being dropped since.

**STEVE WHITE.** Luton had more reason than usual to follow up an interest in a 20-year-old striker with Bristol Rovers. They had watched him in his early games at Eastville, and he turned on a two-goal performance which underlined his potential — against Luton in a Second Division match. Luton stepped in to sign him for £175,000 in December 1979, and although he took time to settle, his hustle and bustle and sharp shooting mark him out as an outstanding prospect. This season he has really come good with 13 goals so far.

**DAVID MOSS.** Overnight success took nearly ten years for left-winger Moss. He had been happy playing for his local club, Swindon, for nine seasons, mostly in the Third Division. Luton took him into the Second in exchange for a £110,000 cheque and he was an immediate hit. He makes goals and takes them, and has already passed the 100 total in the Football League. The penalty expert — 6 of his 8 goals this season have come from the spot.

**RADDY ANTIC.** An elegant Yugoslav with five caps, Antic — pronounced Anteesh — was Luton's first continental signing. They got him for a £50,000 bargain price after he had played for Zaragossa in Spain, where supporters staged protest demonstrations when the transfer was announced. Effective in defence or midfield, and equipped with a spectacular ability to bend shots both ways, he has become a firm favourite with Luton fans, although he has played 12th man on most occasions.



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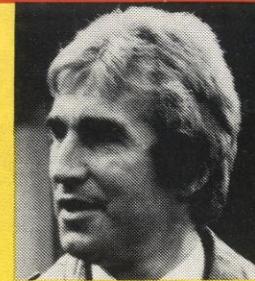
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# Club Canary



WITH DUNCAN FORBES

Well our Orient Express did even worse than British Rail's Advanced Passenger Train . . . because of the weather which forced the game off we did not even leave Norwich Thorpe but then that is all part and parcel of a British winter season isn't it!

Nevertheless we have found that the train although dearer than coach travel has proved more popular with our members and we will be arranging further rail excursions to some more games later in the season.

It was by coach that we travelled to Blackburn Rovers and that is some haul. We left Carrow Road at 7.00am and stopped for breakfast at the Cheerio Cafe, Sleaford, where bacon and eggs went down a treat.

To help pass the time I organised a general knowledge quiz between the left side and the right side of the coach and the standard was remarkably high. We certainly have our fare share of wise old owls following the Canaries.

With regard to this quiz I must make special mention of Judy Trivett and Tiny Rowland for their brilliant answers to some very difficult questions. Oh by the way the right side won.

Our thanks also to our wonderful lady driver JACKBOOT JENNY who relented and let us stop for a drink on the way home.

Our next adventure takes us to the north and the magic of the FA Cup. It is Stoke City away in the Third Round and we want to give the lads plenty of encouragement as they take on the First Division side. So come and join us, lend your support and give yourself a lovely day out as well... Full details of the arrangements are listed below.

Talking of support have you remembered to get your CLUB CANARY STICKERS from the Promotions Office yet... they are absolutely free. Also we have at hand the latest list of shops and firms who will allow CLUB CANARY members special discounts. There are now over 70 subscribers to the scheme and they could make life a little cheaper for you.

Finally let me wish you all a Happy and Prosperous NEW YEAR... and keep away from the haggis!

STOKE CITY v NORWICH CITY at the Victoria Ground Saturday, January 2. The Club Canary special charter train direct to Stoke will depart from Norwich Thorpe at 9.00 a.m. and arrive back at approx. 10.00 p.m. The price just £6 each which must be the best value this side of the Pecos... All the usual buffet car facilities will be available but NO ALCOHOL will be allowed on the train. TICKETS are available from the Promotions Office, Carrow Road. Telephone Norwich 615012.

## THERE IS NO SUBSTITUTE FOR MATCHPLAY

SAYS MEL MACHIN



At last we are back to competitive football after the enforced close down through the adverse weather conditions.

I must confess to some quiet relief that the conditions have relented because it is not easy keeping highly tuned professional athletes in peak condition. The arctic climate has forced us off our training field as well as postponing League matches and so training has been restricted to indoors at our training hall at Trowse.

This obviously is not as big an area as we are used to outside, but it has enabled us to maintain a hard and vigorous schedule every day to keep the players fitness up to scratch.

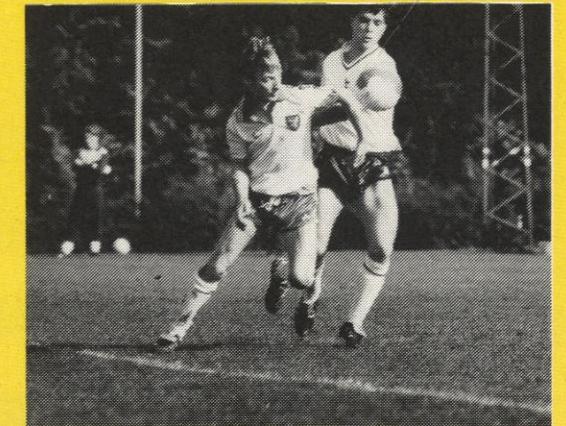
However no matter how concentrated our training might be there is no substitute for match play, and we are now in a similar position to that encountered at the start of the season when the players have completed their pre-season programme of cross country runs and so on. Physically they are fit but there is always something missing, an undefinable sharpness that can only be achieved by actual match play.

It is probably a psychological condition but it is an inescapable fact . . . Match fitness is unique and can not be achieved by just training, no matter how much work and effort is put in by the players.

On the positive side the new training routines devised for the indoor sports hall have provided them with a refreshing break from the normal routine and that can act as a stimulant.

Now the lads are eager to get down to business and carry on the impetus created by the arrival of John Deehan who has looked a real quality player in training.

## Focus on Youth...



### KEITH CANNELL

Seventeen year old Keith was born in Norwich on 19 September 1964.

After attending Cavell School in Norwich, he moved on to the Hewett School where he played for Norwich Schools at Under 12, 13, 14, 15 & Under 16 levels. He has also played for Norfolk under 15, 16 & Under 19's.

Keith signed for Norwich City at the end of last season and he made his Youth Team debut in our 1-1 away draw with West Ham United at Chadwell Heath on the first day of this season. To date he has scored once, in our 5-3 victory over Colchester United in the Eastern Junior Cup at Layer Road a few weeks back.

When away from football Keith enjoys fishing and shooting.

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## Everybody Matters at Bramall Lane

When a missed penalty in the final match of last season, against Walsall, sent Sheffield United scuttling down to the Fourth Division for the first time in the clubs history, it was like the closing of a final curtain.

To many long suffering fans, relegation represented the ultimate insult for a club that until 1979 had never stepped out of the top two divisions. Removed from life at the top, it was a bitter pill to swallow.

Fortunately not everyone saw this as the end, some led by new chairman Reginald Brealey, saw it more as the beginning of a new era for one of England's most famous clubs.

The one time Australian sheep farmer, who is now a tremendously successful businessman, has introduced the same principles of executive structure that he applies to his own company's, with the team manager, secretary and commercial manager responsible for the every day running of the club.

In other words the board are letting the professionals get on with the job and the result has been quite amazing. On the field Ian Porterfield has made things happen and Sheffield United already look firm favourites to gain promotion, while behind the scenes Dick Chester and Derek Dooley are involved in an exciting development and promotion programme that could make Bramall Lane the Wembley of the north, and Sheffield United one of the best supported teams.

Success in the Fourth Division has pushed the average gate up to 11,500 but the Blades team are more interested at getting to those 30,000 or so dormant supporters who used to frequent the Bramall Road terraces.

Dick Chester the United secretary is the first to admit that in a lot of cases football is its own worst enemy when dealing with its public and that Sheffield United like the majority of big clubs have taken their clients for granted in the past. But now there is a different feeling around Bramall Lane, those missing fans have become important and the club are showing their concern.

"We are making a determined effort to make contact with those former fans," says Chester "and in this respect we have to make our selves a little more accessible for them and recognise their true value as supporters."

The big sell is now under way as Sheffield United try to provide better facilities for their customers. A new holding company called B.L.A.D.E.S. (1981) Ltd., has been formed — and that stands for Bramall Lane Aid and Development Enterprises — and incorporates the Blades Travel Club, Junior Blades, Blades Executive (1981) Ltd., and Blades Future Players Fund. All are separate autonomous companies with independant boards of directors.

### PEOPLES PLAYER

All have one aim and that is to take Sheffield United back to the top. The Articles of Association provide for all profits made by these bodys to filter through to the parent club, but the main benefit will come from the facilities provided and the communication with the public.

Take for instance the Blades 1981 Future-Players-Fund. That is an

interesting one. It came about when a contingent of United supporters approached the club requesting permission to raise money to buy England midfielder Tony Currie. "You sign him we will pay his wages," was the offer. They were told the manager was not interested in Currie, but they might like to hang their hat on John McAlle who he was then contemplating signing from Wolves.

They agreed and now run regular social evenings to raise the cash to pay the centre-half's salary... John McAlle has become the peoples player, someone for them to identify with.

Derek Dooley the commercial manager has been seven years on the job. He is responsible for the Travel Club which not only makes a profit but controls the supporters at away games and so acts as a deterrent to acts of violence and vandalism. Rochdale, Hereford and Scunthorpe are the attractions now although Derek is quick to point out; "only six years ago if we had won at Birmingham we would have been in Europe."

That is now the aim of the current progressive management and one of the reasons why so much time and effort goes into catering for the Junior Blades — tomorrows supporters. Explains Mr. Chester: "Whatever you do you have to look after them and give them value for money. We want to create affection for the club and that is not easy, it is a long term objective. But if you do not lay the foundations then you will never reap the rewards."

That same caring attitude spreads through the club. To Sheffield United everybody matters from the youngest fan on the terraces to the match day sponsor who has invested his hard cash in the game. The motto is the same — deal with them fair and square and give them good value.

When the new Executive Suite is opened in December it will signal the end of phase one of the development programme. The next stage is even more revolutionary and exciting and already the scheme has been put before the planners. The suggestion is to demolish the kop and erect another new two-tier stand providing a further 11,000 seats plus Executive Boxes.

How can a Fourth Division club finance such a venture? Well they have agreed to give up the free-hold ownership of the land for commercial development. The developers will build a stand which will incorporate a sports complex and a hotel together with 120,000 square feet of shopping space, and a car park for 800 cars. They will make their profits from these commercial outlets and in return provide Sheffield United with a spanking new stand absolutely free.

Further it is proposed to make provision for an eight lane running track which will provide South Yorkshire with a much needed facility and at the same time make Bramall Lane a community centre, so tightening the bond between club and the Sheffield public.

"You have to believe in the ultimate," says Dick Chester. "We have to plan to emulate Liverpool, have the best professional football team, the best stadium and facilities and the best income."

Sheffield United would certainly seem to have the back-room team with the drive and determination to lead the Blades to that promised land... just give them time!



# LEN CANTELLO

## AN ARTIST WITH A MISSION

A decade ago a young blond lad burst onto the football scene with West Bromwich Albion. He was strong, full of running had tremendous vision and the ability to transfer the ball quickly and accurately to his colleagues. The critics were bowled over by him, here they felt was a future international star!

Len Cantello was the name of this cultured performer who dominated and stamped his authority on his profession. Len went on to win eight caps for England at Under-23 level against East Germany, Wales, Holland (2), Denmark (2), Czechoslovakia and Poland between 1972 and 1974, but never made the transition to the senior team.

It was a mystery that confounded West Brom supporters for many years, for they had grown to love his classical style and elegant distribution as he performed at the heart of the Albion side.

So where did it all go wrong, why didn't Len Cantello take the international world by storm? "That was all a very long time ago," he smiles. "Where did it go wrong! I don't know really. I think if I was going to play international football it would have been at West Brom and would have followed on from my Under-23 career but it didn't and that's that."

While international honours were passing him by, Len continued to shine as the man at the fulcrum of Albion's attack and he remained a favourite with the fans until he was transferred to Bolton Wanderers after 12 glorious years at the Hawthorns.

The Lancashire club, paid out their record fee of £350,000 for his services in the summer of 1979: "I joined Bolton to be nearer home because I am a Manchester lad, and because I felt they had a good future because they had such a lot of good players on their books. People like Frank Worthington, Neil McNab and Peter Reid," he says adding: "Even now we have some very good players at Boundary Park, Alan Gowling, and Brian Kidd to name but two, yet we probably need a couple more in vital positions."

It is true to say that things have not gone quite as was envisaged since Len made the trip north. He hit Bolton at a bad time in their development: "Yes. I joined Bolton thinking that they were going to go places in the First Division, but they sold a lot of good players due to circumstances and we got relegated.

"Again last season wasn't a particularly good one for me until George Mulhall took over control and under him I seemed to play quite well at the end of the season."

### CREATIVE

On the final run-in last season Bolton suffered only one defeat in their last eight games and that was good enough to stave off relegation. Unfortunately that form was not maintained in the new campaign and by the quarter way stage in the championship hunt, Wanderers found themselves trailing at the bottom of the pack. It was a situation which prompted manager George Mulhall to drop Len into a sweeper role behind the back-four.

"The idea was to stem the flow of goals streaming into our own net," explains Cantello. "While the back four are marking man to man I cover from behind and that has tightened things up a bit better.

"It doesn't always work of course... it didn't at Norwich where I moved forward in front of the back line in the second-half and that improved our performance.

"When it does work I quite like it. It gives me a lot of the ball, as much in fact as if I was playing in midfield and I can create situations from that deep position just as well as I can from midfield.

"But I don't see myself as converting into a permanent sweeper. At the moment it is just a ploy to deal with a situation we are in, I will always be a midfielder man I think.

"I don't see it as a long term policy for Bolton either. There are not many clubs play with a sweeper in English football although it is not a bad policy if you have the right players to carry it out. But we will see. If it helps Bolton Wanderers and is successful then fine, maybe other teams will adopt it and it will become common practice. I know West Brom tried it with Bryan Robson in the role but I am not sure whether they felt it worked or not.

### HOPE

"For the player in the sweeper position it can mean a lot more involvement in the game because he is the free man. If it comes off then it is pretty solid as a defensive measure but it can be thrown into all sorts of confusion if the opposition have a player capable of beating one of the markers. Because they are playing a man to man game it means that the whole defence will be pulled out of position and that can be disastrous.

"But although our position in the League table is sickening for us all, supporters as well as players, I don't think this season is over for Bolton by a long chalk. We have played quite well in patches and can still finish in a respectable position.

"The three points for a win will help us. What it has meant is that a draw is virtually a defeat so the clubs which have been drawing are not that much better than those which have lost and it now only needs three good wins to push us nine points up the League. This can give clubs in our position hope.

"It is all down to us. Kidd, Gowling and Cantello might be big names on the Bolton team sheet, but it is out there on the park where it counts and if we don't do it on the day then we are not worth the paper it is printed on.

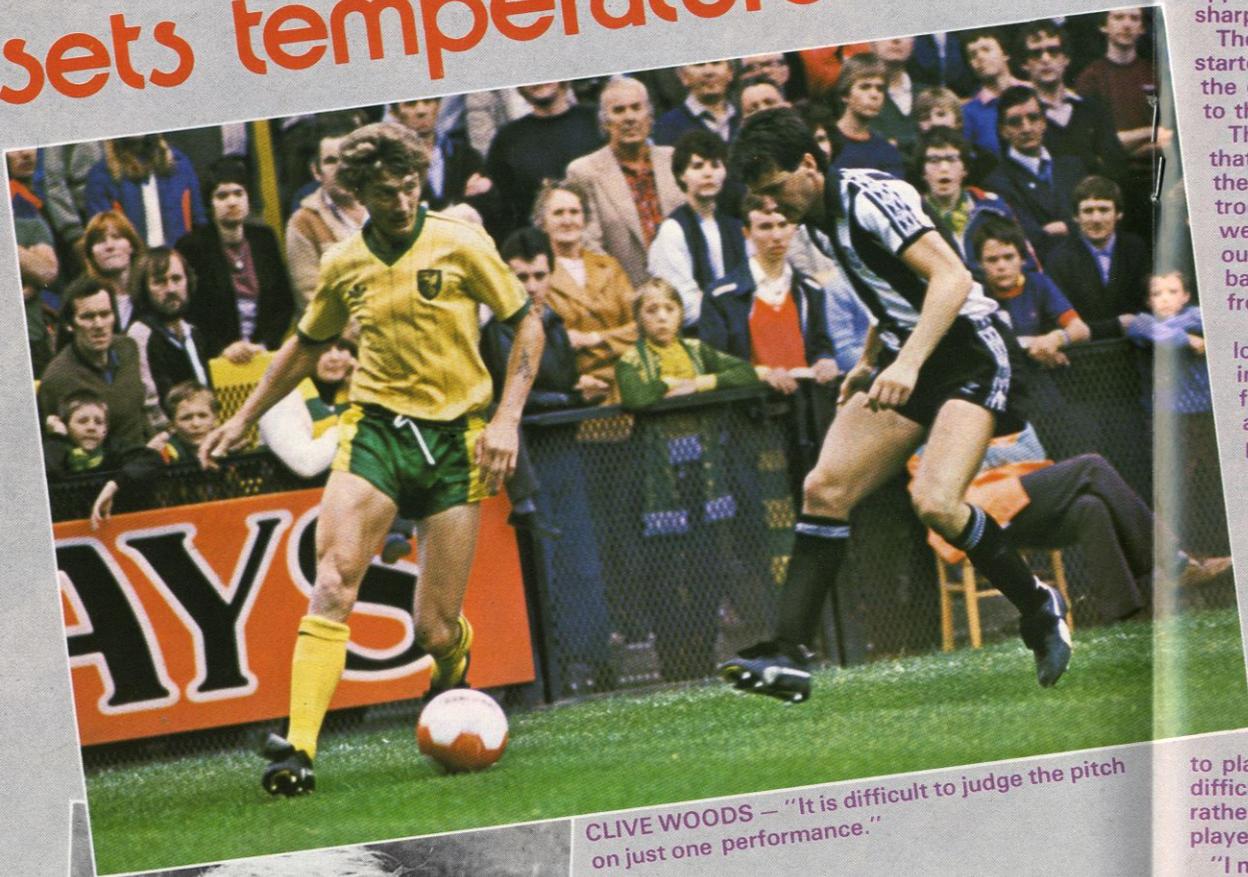
"Of course when you are losing it does affect your confidence — there is a little bit of tension, we are a bit tight when we go out, afraid of making mistakes, but we can do it and give those supporters who have stood by us something to shout about. There is a lot of hope, a lot of things to look forward to yet."

Now 30 years old, Len Cantello still has a lot to offer. He has thrilled countless thousands of fans in his time, enjoyed the good times and weathered the bad. Never a prolific scorer he has preferred to play deep and this is a role he can perform for a few more seasons to come.

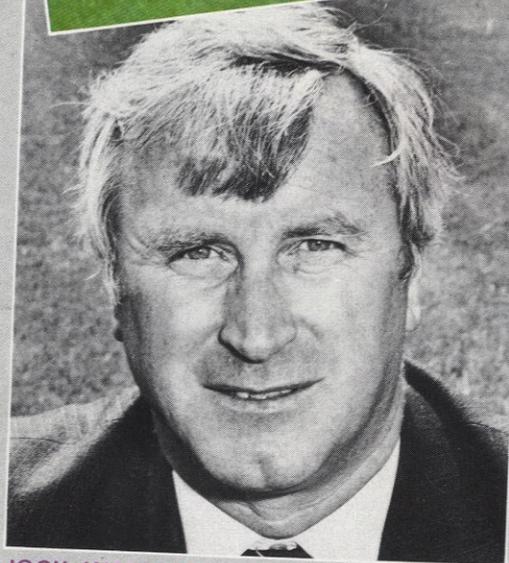


REPORT BY COLIN BENSON

# Rangers Plastic Pitch sets temperatures rising



CLIVE WOODS — "It is difficult to judge the pitch on just one performance."



JOCK WALLACE — Leicester City's angry boss.

WHEN LEICESTER CITY'S straight talking boss Jock Wallace slammed the £350,000 synthetic carpet at Queens Park Rangers, he was just adding considerable weight to a mounting opposition to the 'Omniturf' pitch.

Wallace claimed Rangers have been given a clear home advantage this season because of the surface "and it should not be allowed." That opinion seems to be fully justified by the collective performances of visiting teams to Loftus Road.

When Rotherham United scraped a 1-1 draw there in the first week of November — and that was by courtesy of Rangers Gerry Francis who scored an own goal — they became the first visiting team to take a point or even score a goal on the new pitch, in seven consecutive League games.

It would seem that the plastic pitch has not quite been the revelation anticipated by its mentors, when they decided to take the gamble last summer. Then it was claimed that it would enrich the game, provide the perfect

stage for skill and technique, a platform on which to improve the games value as a spectator sport and serve up exciting entertainment for the fans.

But has it? Not from what we can gather from visiting teams or from what I have seen there myself.

The first impression one gets is of players playing on hard frosty grounds, tentative in their approach to tackle, nervous to turn too quickly or sharply... it makes them hesitant and unsure.

The traditional long through ball is also a non-starter, the ball gathering such pace when it hits the ground that it either shoots straight through to the goalkeeper or out of play.

Thus a short passing game is required but even that is difficult. I watched Norwich City one of the better teams at this skill get into all kinds of trouble because of the difficulty in judging the weight of the ball. Too soft and it is easily cut out... too firm and it is difficult to control, the ball not dying on the surface but spinning away from the touch.

And when it comes to turning it becomes a lottery. As I said earlier, defenders give the impression that they are performing on hard frosty surfaces and once a pass is hit behind an intended target it is impossible for that player to check and retrieve and so make a bad ball a good one.

Before they played at Loftus Road, Norwich manager Ken Brown had emphasised his support for Rangers adventure saying that he would reserve his judgement, adding: "All I can say is full marks to Rangers for taking the gamble. We should never knock anything which might improve the game."

However the experience markedly changed his attitude and he later confided:

"It is definitely a different game. You have to play the way you are facing because it is very difficult to turn and passes have to be made to feet rather than to space in front and this prevents players running onto the ball smoothly.

"I must admit that after playing there I now have mixed feelings as to whether it produces the type of football British spectators want to see. It was difficult to keep moves flowing and therefore the game became disjointed, strewn with errors from both sides... I am glad we only have to play on it once."

Rangers manager Terry Venables needed some convincing before he lent his weight to this revolutionary imposition on the English league scene and he claims: "This pitch suites players who can pass the ball well and have skill. I preach to my players that their first touch has to be good and their passing accurate.

"But then that applies to any ground — it is just that on grass you can sometimes get away with a loose ball or two if they hold up in the mud.

"On our pitch there are no inconsistencies like that. Take a normal turfed pitch. At the beginning and end of the season it is bone hard with the ball bouncing high. As the season gets under way the grounds become softer and then heavy when the ball just goes plop. That is inconsistent. On our pitch the bounce is constantly true."

The trouble is if the surface is too true then it becomes predictable and that takes half the excitement out of the game, makes it stereotyped and uninteresting.

The maxim that an artificial surface eliminates all the natural elements obstructing skill is all very well in theory but does it work in practice? I very much doubt. The most destructive intrusion on any football game is wind... and no matter what the surface only an indoor arena can combat that. As for mud and heavy pitches surely they help to cultivate the unexpected, that is the hallmark of the English game.

Jock Wallace has no reservations. He declares forcefully: "Football in America is dying on its feet because most of the clubs play on pitches like the one at QPR. I toured there with Glasgow Rangers twice and told them at the time they won't get football right until they play on grass."

And if you listen to Blackburn Rovers manager Bobby Saxton you are left in no doubt as to his view on the pitches value. After losing 2-0 on the controversial surface he declared: "There is only one way to play on it and that is to stick eight men behind the ball, thump it upfield and hope you have got a player fast enough to catch it before it runs out of play at the other end." I suspect that battle plan was born more out of frustration than tactical assessment, but you can understand the feeling.

Mind you I have spoken to several players on the subject and they have not been so critical. Norwich City winger Clive Woods for instance observed: "I don't think the surface played too badly, it took us a half to get used to it but it is difficult to judge the pitch on just one performance. I suppose the more you play on it the better you get."

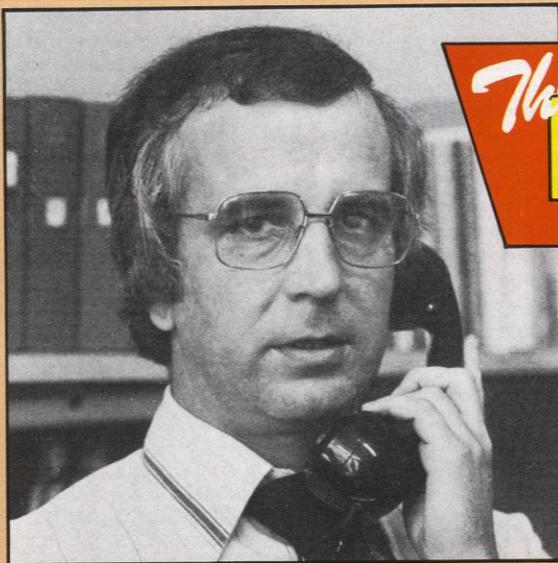
Even Rangers have not become fully acclimatised with the conditions and Venables admits: "We're still learning about the pitch," although both Gerry Francis and Tony Currie have intimated a dislike for the compound which jars aching limbs.

Indeed even Venable concedes: "We have found the surface much more tiring for players and this is particularly noticeable when we have two home games within a few days. I think it shows in our play."

The medical experts in America have always claimed that there is no long term effect generated by artificial pitches but it is obvious that joints must take more of a pounding on a surface that has very little give in it.

However it is purely from the shop window view that I make my assessment and from what I have seen at Loftus Road this season I conclude that plastic football fields are not the answer to dwindling support. The surface certainly does not make for more exciting play an opinion that has been endorsed for me by TV clips of NASL games in the States.

Mind you there is no criticism towards QPR for trying. It was a bold initiative on their part and perhaps it can be improved. Ken Brown did suggest that if they made the length of the fibre grass a little longer it might take some of the pace off the ball, and that would help, but as for making football more entertaining I think it is a non-starter... for English fans at least.



## The PAUL PARISH page

# Living on a shoestring

IT ALWAYS seemed faintly ironic that the BBC should have chosen the name Shoestring for that rather unconventional sleuth, who was based in Bristol.

Soccer lovers, particularly those from the County of Avon, will more readily associate shoestring with the size of the budgets under which the two local football clubs have been forced to operate.

And it would take more than a fictional television hero to unravel the problems that have faced City and Rovers in the last couple of years.

The problem is that despite its size and large catchment area Bristol is not steeped in any great football tradition. Yet even that doesn't really account for the most miserable 12 months in the area's football life.

It was bad enough, for example, that Rovers' Eastville ground had been ravaged by a serious fire. It was bad enough, too, that City's merited and hard earned place in the First Division, should have been lost in a valiant but forlorn fight against relegation.

But in the spring of 1981 the whole situation was worsened when City finished 21st and Rovers 22nd in the Second Division

— Bristol's double relegation.

Both clubs have records which have suggested that they have never been able to truly consolidate their places even in the Second Division — but the City itself had never known anything quite like the disappointment of double failure.

City had been in the First Division way back at the start of the century. They even finished First Division runners-up in 1907 but after relegation in 1911 they were consigned to a life in the lower spheres until 1976 when, under Alan Dicks, they finally regained a First Division place.

Despite their unfamiliar name in the First Division, it was a promotion that was widely championed. Bristol deserved to take its place alongside the other big city sides at the top of the tree.

Rovers, on the other hand, had never aspired to the First Division heights. The younger of the two teams they have varied, in post-war years between the Second and Third Divisions.

They have always tended to be regarded as the other side in Bristol even though there have been occasions when they have been playing in the Second Division while City have been struggling away in the Third.

But they share the same dilemma. They have always had to sell to survive and successive managers at both Ashton Gate and Eastville have only ventured into the transfer market as bargain hunters.

It is quite astonishing that this should have been the case in an area as large as Bristol. They have received singularly little help from the City Council and as it was pointed out at the end of last season, it contrasts heavily with a club like Swansea. There the City fathers decision to buy the stadium (The Vetch) and lease it back to the Football Club provided the launch pad from which John Toshack took his side from the Fourth to the First Division in a ridiculously short time.

Even when City did make the First Division their manager for 13 years, Alan Dicks, was never able to plunder the transfer market to capture big money signings. He had to buy

experience at a relatively low cost — men like Joe Royle, Peter Cormack and Norman Hunter.

They did the job for a while and there was always the hope that youngsters like the Mabbutt brothers, Kevin at City, Gary at Rovers, would one day prompt a change of financial fortunes at the clubs.

City even tied down most of their players to incredibly long and secure contracts as they fought to survive in the First Division. But when the crunch came and City were relegated they had to sell . . . and are still selling.

Even now they are finding the need to earn cash through the transfer market. Clive Whitehead a talented utility player who had been much sought by a number of teams, switched to West Bromwich Albion. Kevin Mabbutt was transferred to London and Crystal Palace.

The rival managers in Bristol are young men still discovering the problems of running clubs like City and Rovers. Bobby Houghton, a man whose inspiration and tactical ability once steered Swedish Malmo to a European Cup Final engagement with Nottingham Forest, is in charge at Ashton Gate.

At Eastville there has been a managerial change at Rovers where Bobby Gould has taken over from former boss Terry Cooper.

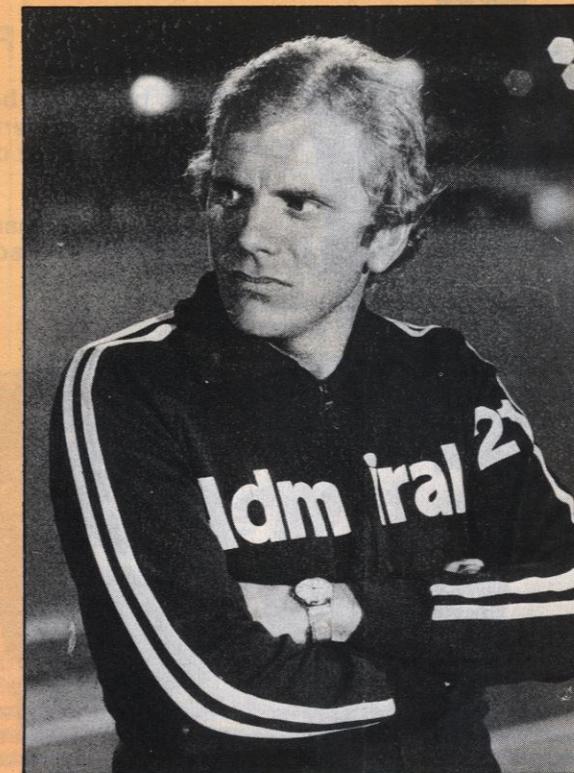
Both have a formidable task in lifting Bristol out of the soccer shadows. Houghton has already discovered the difficulties in selling to survive, but his record at Malmo shows that he is capable of producing the best results from limited opportunities.

Gould's arrival followed his departure, with Geoff Hurst, from Chelsea. He is a man of many English Football League clubs. The story goes that when Gould applied for another Football League management job a couple of years ago a director asked him why he had travelled so much. Because, Gould is said to have replied, all the clubs that signed him were assured that they would get 100 per cent effort in return.

Now Gould will be looking for that same effort from the men who wear the famous blue and white quarters of Rovers. There will be league derby matches with Bobby Houghton's city and matches against the likes of Reading, Exeter, Newport and Plymouth who don't have too many motorway hours to travel.

In the early weeks of the season neither Rovers nor City were particularly involved in the promotion issue. But these are early days. Gould and Houghton know that success will be achieved by their own ability and not with recourse to the cheque book.

Somewhere like Bristol, let's face it, should have something to crow about in the football world.



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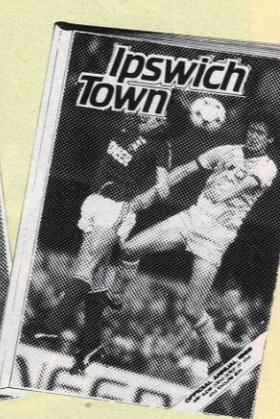
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# Junior Canaries



Hello again and a warm welcome to all of you (Junior Hatters as well as Junior Canaries) for our last game in 1981. I hope everyone had a Happy Christmas, and that you all received the presents you wanted.

For today's mascot, Kieron McCluskey from King's Lynn, Christmas, Birthday and New Year have all got mixed up. Kieron will be celebrating his twelfth birthday on New Year's Eve, but today he will be wearing the Norwich City kit presented for his birthday by "Simply Classic", the soft furnishing manufacturers and retailers, of King's Lynn. Kieron is a pupil at Springwood High School, where he has made a very good start, coming top of his class after his first term at the school.

At St. Martha's Primary School Kieron played for the school soccer team, and showed that he has a fine left foot, in spite of the fact that he only wears size 2 boots.

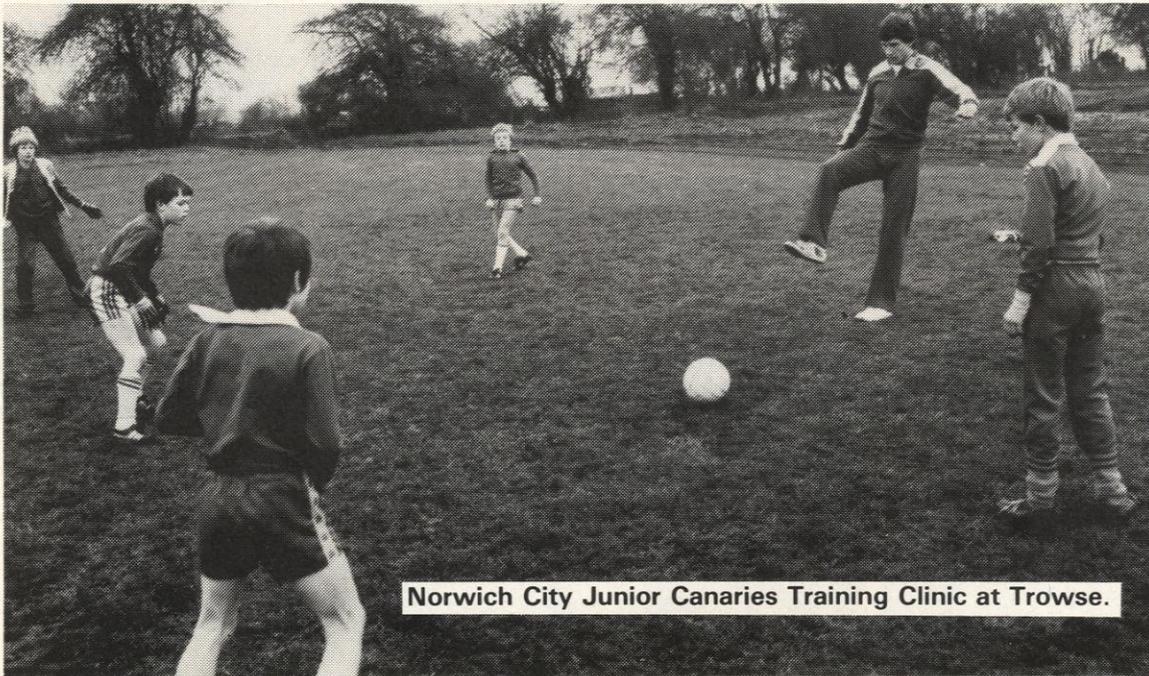
No doubt he will be doing his best to show us some of his shooting ability during the pre-match warm up, but, as other mascots have discovered, it is not always easy to produce the perfect pass, or shot, when there is a feeling that thousands of people are watching every move. Actually Kieron will be watched very closely by his younger brother and sister (pictured with Kieron) and his Mum and Dad. All three McCluskey children are Junior Canaries, so no doubt they will be coming to the next coaching session/football forum on Sunday February 6th. The mascot list is complete for this season but Sunday 6th will give every J.C. member the chance to impress, and to get a bit more involved with Norwich City Football Club.

Returning to the theme of shots and the pre-match warm up, I wonder how many of you have spotted Chris Sheldrake, the Canary photographer. Chris is always on hand to take a picture; and our mascots will tell you how well he catches them in that pre-match pose with their favourite players. Once the game gets under-way it is Chris who provides the action shots which appear in this programme; and of course Chris comes to our J.C. Coaching sessions and Football Forums. Thanks Chris, for putting us all in the picture.

As the New Year approaches many of you will be making resolutions and expressing your hopes for the future if anyone has any suggestions relating to "Junior Canaries" please write in and let me know; and if anyone has received any Christmas presents they don't want send those as well! In particular, I wish someone would give, or lend, me a claxon horn so that I can liven up the River End Enclosure when my voice begins to fail (usually at the beginning of the second half)! That's my way of saying: "Make yourselves heard this afternoon!"

Cheerio for now, and have a Happy New Year.

JOHN MAIDEN.



Norwich City Junior Canaries Training Clinic at Trowse.

## Quiz



Today's Anglia TV Quiz has been set once more by Mr. D. W. Cary of 159 Waterworks Road, Norwich and Mr. Cary will receive a match ticket for his enterprise.

There is also another free match ticket waiting to be won by the sender of the first all-correct entry to this Quiz.

Send your entries and questions to: Anglia TV Quiz, Canary Magazine, Norwich City F.C. Promotions, Carrow Road, Norwich.

### QUESTIONS

1. In which season was the Football League Cup first played for?
2. Which 5 clubs refused to compete in that first competition?
3. Norwich were the second winners of the League Cup. Who scored the goals that beat Rochdale in the two legged final?

4. Have Birmingham City ever won the League Cup?
5. When Leeds carried off the trophy in 1967-68 who was their goal scorer?
6. How many times has a League Cup Final at Wembley ended goalless?
7. When was the first Wembley League Cup Final?
8. Which was the first final to go to a replay?
9. How many League Cup winners medals did former Norwich skipper Martin Peters collect during his career?
10. Which of the Wembley League Cup Finals has produced most goals?
11. How many times has the European Cup/League Cup double been achieved?
12. Which striker, who later joined Norwich, scored both Tottenham's goals in the 1970-71 final?
13. When was the first round made a two legged affair for the first time?
14. In the 1974-75 final, which Norwich player handled the ball to concede the penalty which led to Villa's winner?
15. Hillsborough was used for a League Cup Final Replay in which season?

# MAC'S COMMERCIAL PAGE

The match against Sheffield Wednesday on 19 December having been postponed, we were denied the opportunity to wish all our fans a Very Happy Christmas, but it does not stop us now wishing you a Very Prosperous 1982.

1981 finished on a high note for Mrs. E. Bullard of Calthorpe who was our very first £2,000 top prize winner for **Golden Nugget**. Our Chairman, Sir Arthur South, accompanied by Lady Mary went to the General Stores at Aldborough, from where Mrs. Bullard purchased her ticket, last Monday afternoon and presented the lucky lady with her cheque for £2,000.

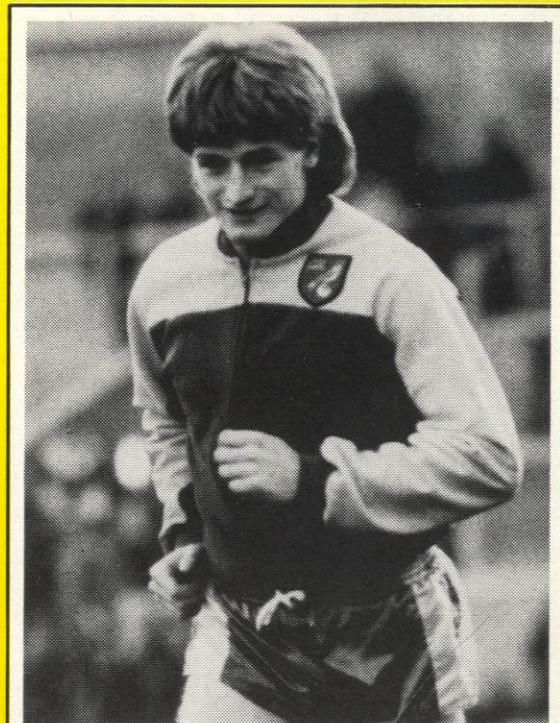
1982 will see many more winners of the £2,000 top prize and the introduction of this feature will reinforce even more our totally justifiable claim that **Golden Nugget** is the biggest and best lottery in these parts!

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### JUSTIN FASHANU HAS A RECORD

This statement is not nearly so libellous as it might appear, as the record referred to is the type played on a jukebox. Ex-Canary Justin's newly released disc on the Rondelet label, entitled "Do it 'cos you like it", has more of a Carrow Road connection than just our colourful ex-player. John Howell, one of the stewards who looks after the Executive Boxes, is an ex-professional musician and co-writer of the "A" side title. It was John who first persuaded Justin into the recording studio and the result of his endeavours was released into the record shops just before Christmas. I have been privileged to hear all four tracks Justin recorded and am of the opinion that the proposed second release is even better than this first one. It is probably because it's more of a ballad and, with my advancing years, has more appeal than a disco sound!



### SMARTER THAN THE AVERAGE FOOTBALLER

Those fans who wish to bring that extra touch of sartorial elegance to the football field when they next turn out for their school, works or village team will need to acquire one of the new official Canary yellow/green tracksuits, as seen here worn by Peter Mendham. These are now available from the shop in the Promotions Office.

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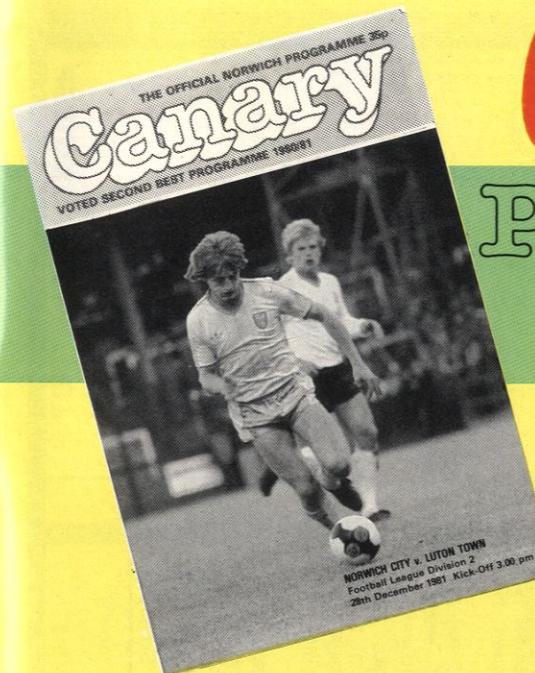
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### FROM US TO YOU

Everyone in the Promotions Office wishes every fan here today a Very Happy New Year. The entire Football Club, directors, staff and players are mindful just how important is your support of their commercial activities. We need it — you give it — we very much appreciate it.

# Action Replay

John Fashanu fires in his very first League goal to help the Canaries to a fine 4-1 victory over Derby County.



# Cover Man

## Peter Mendham

FOOTBALL IS A SIMPLE GAME complicated by people, according to City's 21 year old midfielder Peter Mendham. Peter one of the successes of the Canary Youth policy has made ten full appearances in the League side this season, adding three goals to the two he had scored in his previous 41 outings and that represents just reward for a concerted effort designed to do just that. . . get amongst the goals!

Explains the former Kings Lynn schoolboy: "I think you have to score goals to really warrant your place in the first team. I have to keep getting forward and pop in the odd goal or two to justify my selection. Ross Jack is brilliant at doing this, he has scored eight or nine times this season already and yet even he lost his place when the goals dried up. Scoring goals is what it is all about.

"I am trying to change my game and push forward more in order to score because you get more credit for scoring and that is the only way I could make a big name for myself in this game. If you sit back in midfield and create the play you have very good games but do not capture the limelight and that is what I am striving for.

### BUILD

"Besides I prefer playing up, just off the front two and in fact I would love to have a go up front. My shooting used to be good at school, when I played on the right wing, it was when I came to Norwich that they decided I had the build for a midfield role.

"Of course all these things are left to the management, but personally I think there is too much emphasis placed on tactics in the professional game. Players are restricted, not allowed to express themselves fully on the field. A lot are scared to do what they are good at, they are instructed to play different roles which sometimes inhibit the skills that they possess.

"School football is brilliant. As young kids you are free to play your own football, you can try skills and

tricks without fear of retribution. There are no tactics involved to dull the game and as a result it is pure football. The trouble is that when you come into the professional game the whole thing becomes complicated by tactics and tactical formations. There has to be a degree of tactical awareness at this level but I think that Football League clubs take it too far.

"I am not sure how my own game has been inhibited but recently I have been trying to play my own game by getting forward more often. Up to about a month ago I had remained very much in my shell because they wanted me to play a certain role breaking out wide, which is not one of my strengths. So recently I have forgotten everything and just played my own game and plugged away at it. I have got the stamina to keep getting forward, but at times I do lack pace and so I have been working hard to get that extra few yards or so."

How has Peter set about improving his speed?

### TIRED!

"Mainly with sprint training in the afternoon's with my landlord Mick Hunter. He was an army sprint champion in the Parachute Regiment and he has had me pulling a tractor tyre to sharpen me up over ten yards. For the 100 yards I have pulled a smaller tyre and it all seems to have worked quite well. The only thing is that it is a bit tiring after a morning session at the club."

Peter is still fashioning what could be a very successful career as a professional player despite the inhibitions he has about the professional game, but how does he see the future developing?

"Well there has been a lot of talk recently about me joining Orient but I like Norwich a lot. I have been here five years now although of course I have reached the stage where if a chance did arise for me to get more regular first team football then it would probably be in my own interests to move.

"But Norwich City are a tremendous club and I really love the place, the players and the staff. However there comes a time when you have to move on and I think that might arise for me in the next year.

"Football is so simple really as I teach the youngsters I coach . . . Just control the ball, pass it and make a new angle and away you go."

If young Peter can develop his latest angle as a goalscoring midfield player then there is no reason why he should go further than Carrow Road!

# STATISTICS 81-82

## Football League, Div 2, 1981-82

Home matches and scorers in heavy type. <sup>1</sup> Number of goals scored. ★ Own Goal. p penalty. † Player withdrawn. ‡ after extra time.  
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1981/82	Opponents	Att.	F	A	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	
Aug 29	Rotherham United	8,919	1	4	Woods	Barham	Muzinic†	McGuire	Walford	Watson	Mendham	Shepherd <sup>1</sup>	Bertschin	Paddon	Bennett	Nightingale●	
Sept 2	Crystal Palace	14,484	★	1	0	Woods	Nightingale	Downs	McGuire	Walford	Barham	Shepherd	Bertschin	Paddon†	Jack	Mendham●	
5	Barnsley	13,677	1	1	0	Woods	Nightingale	Downs	McGuire	Walford	Watson	Shepherd	Bertschin	Paddon†	Jack†	Mendham●	
12	Wrexham	4,007	3	2	0	Woods	Nightingale	Symonds	McGuire	Walford	Watson	Barham	Woods(c)	Paddon	Jack†	Hoadley●	
19	Newcastle United	14,384	2	1	0	Woods	Nightingale†	Downs	McGuire	Walford	Watson <sup>1</sup>	Barham	Woods	Paddon	Jack†	Hart●	
22	Grimsby Town	10,185	2	1	0	Woods	Nightingale	Downs	McGuire	Walford	Watson	Barham	Woods	Paddon	Jack(p)	Bertschin●	
26	Chelsea	14,509	1	2	0	Woods	Nightingale	Downs	McGuire	Walford	Watson†	Barham	Woods	Paddon	Jack†	Bertschin●	
Oct 3	Oldham Athletic	13,710	1	2	0	Woods	Nightingale	Donachie	McGuire	Walford	Hoadley	Barham	Bertschin	Paddon†	Woods	Shepherd●	
7	Charlton F.L. Cup 2 (1L)	9,732	1	0	0	Woods	Nightingale	Downs	McGuire	Walford	Watson†	Barham	Woods	Paddon	Jack†	Bertschin●	
10	Queens Park Rangers	11,806	0	2	0	Woods	Nightingale	Donachie	McGuire	Walford	Watson	Barham	Bertschin	Paddon†	Woods	Shepherd●	
17	Shrewsbury Town	11,979	2	1	0	Woods	Nightingale	Donachie	McGuire	Walford	Hoadley	Barham	Bertschin	Shepherd†	Woods	Muzinic●	
24	Watford	14,463	0	3	0	Woods	Symonds	Donachie	McGuire	Walford	Hoadley	Barham	Fashanu	Mendham†	Woods	Muzinic●	
28	Charlton F.L. Cup 2 (2L)	7,366	1	0	0	Woods	Symonds	Donachie	McGuire	Walford	Watson	Barham	Bertschin†	Mendham†	Woods	Fashanu●	
31	Bolton Wanderers	12,991	0	0	0	Woods	Symonds	Donachie	McGuire	Walford	Watson	Barham†	Haylock	Jack	Mendham	Bennett	Shepherd●
Nov 7	Cardiff City	5,704	0	1	0	Woods	Symonds	Donachie	McGuire	Walford	Watson	Shepherd	Haylock	Jack	Mendham	Bennett	Alexander●
10	Arsenal L/C 3	19,899	0	1	0	Woods	Symonds	Donachie†	McGuire	Walford	Watson	Shepherd	Haylock	Jack	Mendham	Bennett	Muzinic●
14	Cambridge United	14,467	2	1	0	Woods	Haylock	Donachie	McGuire	Walford	Watson	Symonds	Jack	Royle	Bennett†	Shepherd●	
21	Derby County (1)	13,457	4	1	0	Woods	Symonds	Donachie	McGuire	Walford	Watson	Barham†	Muzinic	Bertschin†	Fashanu†	Jack●	
24	Crystal Palace	9,010	1	2	0	Woods	Symonds	Donachie	McGuire	Walford	Watson	Barham	Muzinic	Bertschin	Fashanu	Mendham†	Jack●
28	Blackburn Rovers	8,153	0	3	0	Woods	Symonds	Donachie	McGuire	Walford	Watson	Haylock†	Bennett	Bertschin	Fashanu	Jack●	
Dec 5	Leicester City	13,367	0	0	0	Woods	Symonds	Donachie	McGuire	Walford	Watson	Jack	Muzinic	Royle†	Bertschin	Bennett	Mendham●
12	Orient (2)	P															
19	Sheffield Wednesday	P															
26	Charlton Athletic																
Jan 2	Luton Town																
9	Stoke City (FAC 3)																
16	Barnsley																
23	Rotherham United																
30	F.A. Cup 4																
Feb 6	Newcastle United																
13	Wrexham																
20	Oldham Athletic (5)																
27	Chelsea																
Mar 6	Queens Park Rangers																
13	Shrewsbury Town (6)																
20	Watford (LCF)																
27	Bolton Wanderers																
Apr 3	Cardiff City																
10	Cambridge United (SF)																
17	Charlton Athletic																
24	Luton Town																
May 1	Derby County																
8	Blackburn Rovers																
15	Leicester City																
22	Sheffield Wednesday																
	F.A. Cup Final																

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## CANARY LINE-UPS

### FOOTBALL COMBINATION

NORWICH CITY 0 Q.P.R.2 28th November 1981

Team: Baker; Nightingale, Downs, Mountford, Harris, Alexander, Hart, Shepherd, Woods, Harrowing, Rufer.

OXFORD UNITED 0 NORWICH CITY 2 5th December 1981

Team: Stollery; Haylock, Downs, Engall, Hoadley, Nightingale, Hart, Shepherd, Fashanu, Woods, Rufer. Scorer: Shepherd and 1 o.g.

### EAST ANGLIAN CUP AREA SEMI-FINAL

NORWICH CITY 5 CAMBRIDGE CITY 1 2nd December 1981

Team: Steward; Haylock, Downs, Hart, Nightingale, Alexander, Woods, Shepherd, Bjarnoy, Paddon, Rufer. Sub: Donowa for Rufer. Scorers: Shepherd 3, Paddon. Hart.

### SOUTH EAST COUNTIES LEAGUE

FULHAM 0 NORWICH CITY 4 28th November 1981

Team: Stollery; Godbold, Spearing, Crowe, Reid, Engall, Donowa, Bjarnoy, Cannell, Reeve, Wilson. Sub: Edwin for Cannell. Scorers: Crowe, Donowa, Reeve, Wilson.

GILLINGHAM 1 NORWICH CITY 1 5th December 1981

Team: Williams; Godbold, Spearing, Crowe, Reid, Reeve, Donowa, Bjarnoy, Rigby, Riley, Wilson. Sub: Clayton for Donowa. Scorer: Godbold.

## RESERVE FIXTURES 1981-1982

Date	Opposition	F A
Aug 29	Chelsea	4-0
Sept 1	Crystal Palace	2-1
5	Arsenal	2-2
7	Bourne Town (EAC)	10-0
12	West Ham United	1-0
15	Gorleston EAC	
	80/81 Final	2-1
19	Bristol Rovers	3-1
26	Reading	7-0
Oct 3	Swindon Town	4-2
10	Watford	0-1
14	Hereford United	2-2
24	Birmingham City	1-0
31	Tottenham Hotspur	1-2
Nov 3	Fulham	2-1
7	Plymouth Argyle	2-0
10	Luton Town	3-1
17	Southampton	1-1
25	Crystal Palace	5-4
28	Queens Park Rangers	0-2
Dec 2	Cambridge City (EAC)	5-1
5	Oxford United	2-0
9	Orient	P
19	Leicester City	P
29	Ipswich Town	
Jan 9	Arsenal	
19	Chelsea	
26	Bristol City	
30	Bristol Rovers	
Feb 6	West Ham United	
10	Reading	
13	Swindon Town	
27	Watford	
Mar 6	Fulham	
20	Birmingham City	
29	Tottenham Hotspur	
31	Hereford United	
Apr 3	Southampton	
6	Orient	
14	Ipswich Town	
17	Bristol City	
24	Queens Park Rangers	
May 1	Oxford United	
4	Luton Town	
8	Plymouth Argyle	
15	Leicester City	

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## LEAGUE DIVISION TWO

(Up to and including Saturday 19th December 1981)

	HOME			GOALS			AWAY			GOALS			Pts
	P	W	D	L	F	A	P	W	D	L	F	A	
Luton Town	18	7	0	2	24	10	6	2	1	17	9	41	
Oldham Athletic	19	6	4	0	18	8	4	2	3	13	11	36	
Watford	18	5	3	1	16	8	5	1	3	12	12	34	
Queens Park Rangers	19	7	2	1	15	3	3	1	5	12	14	33	
Barnsley	19	7	1	1	17	4	2	2	6	13	17	30	
Sheffield Wednesday	18	5	2	2	14	12	4	1	4	8	10	30	
Chelsea	19	5	3	2	16	12	3	2	4	10	15	29	
Blackburn Rovers	19	4	2	3	8	5	3	4	3	12	13	27	
Leicester City	18	3	4	2	10	7	3	3	3	14	12	25	
Newcastle United	18	6	2	1	15	5	1	1	7	8	14	24	
Cardiff City	18	5	1	3	13	14	2	2	5	9	14	24	
Norwich City	18	5	3	1	13	7	2	0	7	8	20	24	
Crystal Palace	17	6	0	3	12	7	1	2	5	2	7	23	
Shrewsbury Town	18	5	2	2	15	10	1	3	5	4	14	23	
Charlton Athletic	19	6	0	3	19	13	0	4	6	8	20	22	
Derby County	18	4	3	2	14	11	2	1	6	9	19	22	
Rotherham United	17	6	1	2	20	9	0	2	6	5	16	21	
Cambridge United	18	5	0	4	15	11	2	0	7	10	18	21	
Bolton Wanderers	19	5	0	5	12	13	1	1	7	3	14	19	
Wrexham	18	3	0	6	9	14	2	3	4	11	12	18	
Orient	19	3	3	3	9	9	2	0	8	5	14	18	
Grimsby Town	16	1	3	3	8	10	3	2	4	9	17	17	

### FOOTBALL COMBINATION

(Up to and including Saturday 19th December 1981)

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Q.P.R.	20	15	2	3	46	19	32
Southampton	20	12	5	3	47	20	29
Norwich C.	19	13	3	3	44	21	29
Southampton	18	11	5	2	45	18	27
Watford	18	10	7	1	32	17	27
Ipswich Town	17	9	4	4	29	19	22
Luton Town	18	7	5	6	29	19	18
Tottenham H.	15	7	4	4	19	17	18
Arsenal	20	5	8	7	20	27	18
Plymouth A.	15	7	3	5	21	20	17
Leicester City	21	5	7	9	25	38	17
Reading	16	5	7	4	26	28	17
Birmingham C.	18	5	6	7	21	19	16
Swindon Town	17	6	4	7	30	31	16
Chelsea	14	5	4	20			

# Teams

## NORWICH CITY

1. Chris Woods
2. Richard Symonds
3. Willie Donachie
4. Mick McGuire
5. Steve Walford
6. Dave Watson
7. Mark Barham
8. Drazen Muzinic
9. John Deehan
10. Keith Bertschin
11. Dave Bennett
- 12.

## LUTON TOWN

1. Jake Findlay
2. Kirk Stephens
3. Mark Aizlewood
4. Brian Horton
5. Clive Goodyear
6. Mal Donaghy
7. Ricky Hill
8. Pasquale Fuccillo
9. Brian Stein
10. Steve White
11. David Moss
- 12.

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Kick-off 3.00 p.m.

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Seats are £2.70 each.

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