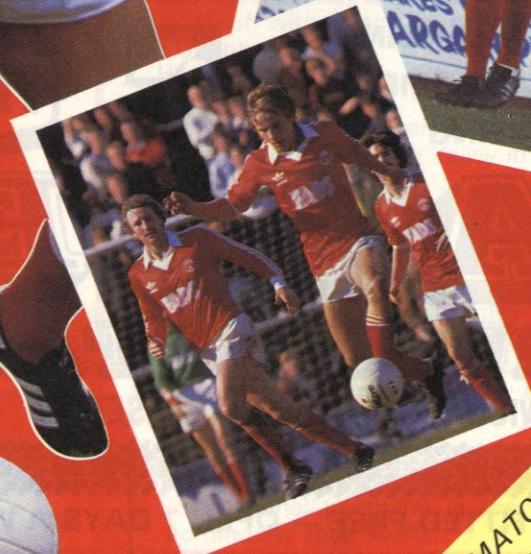
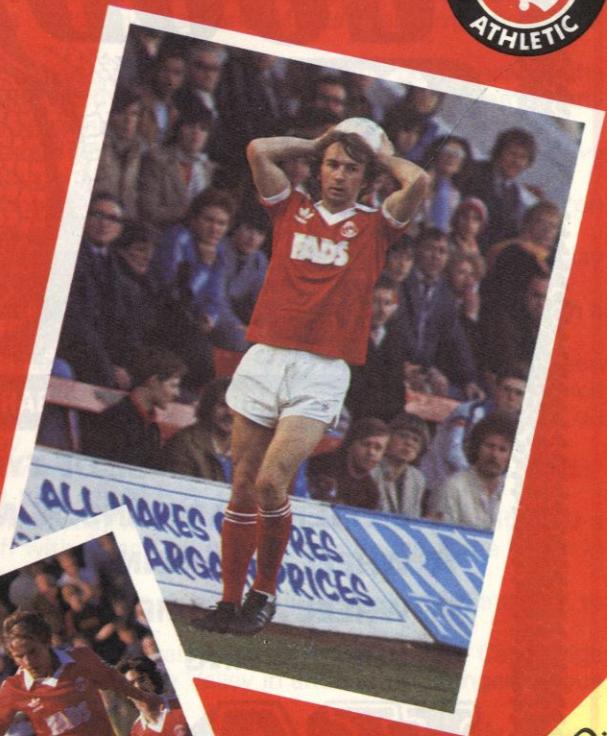
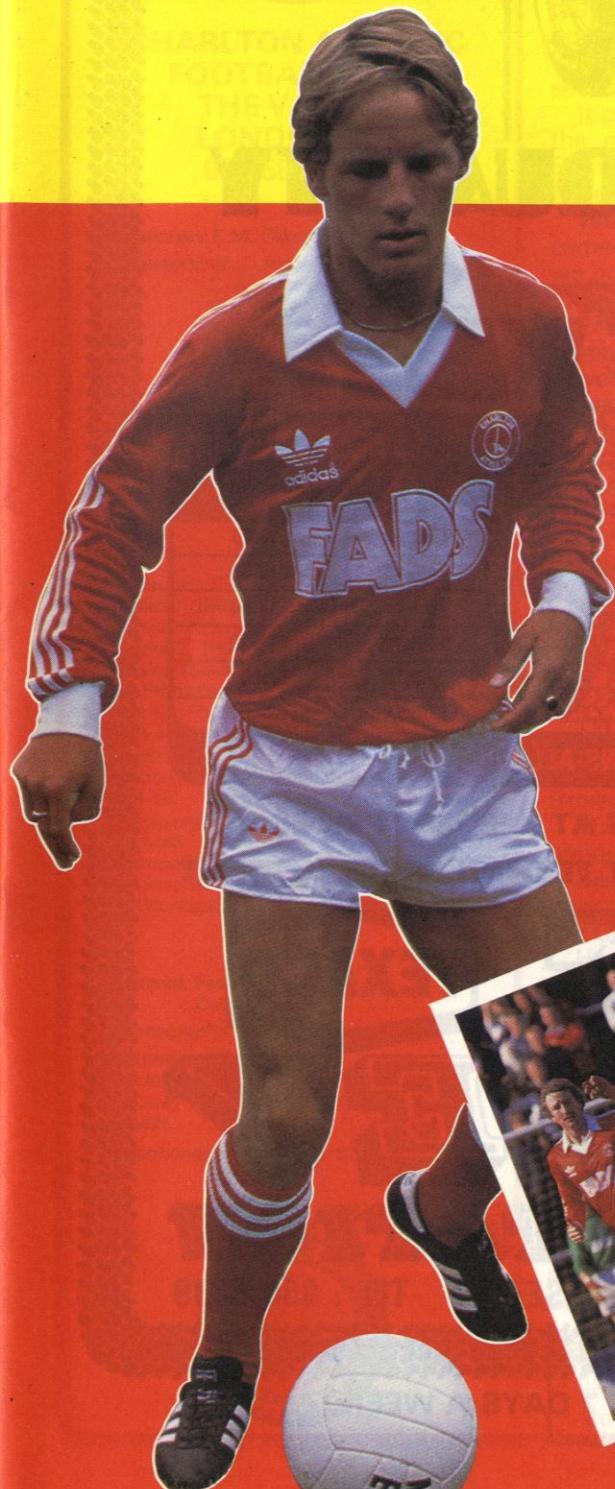


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# VALLEY NEWS

THIS afternoon we give a warm welcome to Luton Town who have taken the Second Division by storm this season and lead the table by an incredible six points.

Luton have been out in front from almost the first match of the season when they beat us 3-0 at Kenilworth Road on the opening day.

They have a particularly impressive away record winning seven and drawing two with only one defeat.

It gives us the chance to show that we can beat the best in the division and other promotion challengers Oldham and Sheffield Wednesday have already left The Valley empty-handed this season.

We are also pleased today to welcome the Big Match cameras from London Weekend Television to The Valley and we hope there will be plenty of action and excitement for them to show tomorrow afternoon.

The terrible winter we have been experiencing has taken a severe toll of soccer recently and our league game at Blackburn Rovers last Saturday was one of the many matches postponed.

The game was called off at midday on Friday because the Ewood Park pitch was unfit and the decision came early enough to stop the team travelling.

With blizzard conditions prevailing in London it would have been a hazardous journey north.

It was hoped that the game could have been played on Wednesday evening if the weather improved.

Despite the snow and rain the team have managed to play three matches in recent weeks with mixed fortunes.

We gained our first away win of the season at Cardiff with a 1-0 victory, Derek Hales scoring the goal.

Two days later we gained our first home draw of the season sharing the points with Norwich City in a goalless game, which had been quickly re-arranged after the postponement on Boxing Day.

Then we were beaten 1-0 by Orient at Brisbane Road in a disappointing third round F.A. Cup display.

Billy Lansdowne, who returned to the side at Cardiff after a long lay-off with a back injury had a recurrence of the knock in the Orient match.

He spent three days in hospital last week in an attempt to clear up the injury.

We are at home again next Saturday when Cambridge United are visitors to The Valley in another re-arranged league game.

We were previously due to play Cambridge in early December but the snow intervened. It was intended to play the game in April, probably on Good Friday, but as both of us were knocked out of the F.A. Cup and would have had a blank day it was agreed to play next Saturday at 3 p.m.

The reserves are at home on Tuesday to Wimbledon in a Midweek League game and the same evening the senior colts are due to play Birmingham City colts at St. Andrews in the Southern Junior Floodlight Cup.

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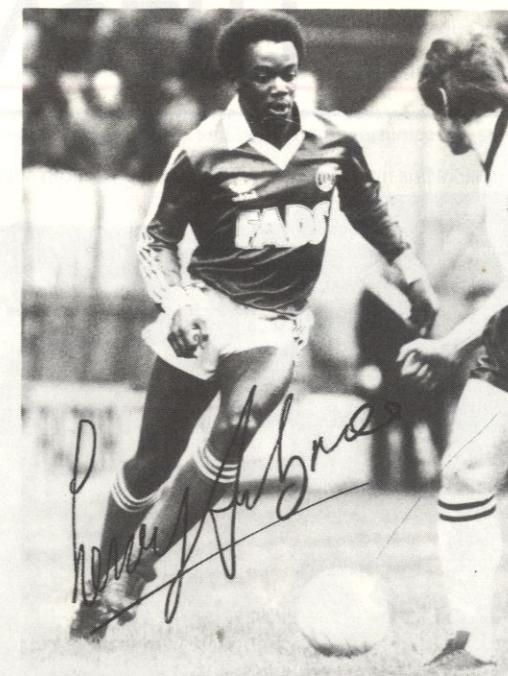
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# WELCOME TO LUTON TOWN



**BACK ROW:** Robert Johnson, Wayne Turner, Clive Goodyear, Michael Small, Frankie Bunn, Godfrey Ingram, Seamus Heath, Neil Madden. **THIRD ROW:** John Moore (coach), Steve White, Mal Donaghy, Jake Findlay (goalkeeper), Mike Saxby, Alan Judge (goalkeeper), Mark Aizlewood, Pasquale Fuccillo, Trevor Hartley (coach). **SECOND ROW:** David Coates (coach), Kirk Stephens, Ricky Hill, Brian Horton, David Pleat (manager), Raddy Antic, David Moss, Brian Stein, Dr. Berry, John Sheridan (physiotherapist). **FIRST ROW:** Alan Lane, Barry Popplewell, Tim Breacker, Mitchell Thomas, Paul Keys, Andy Beasley (goalkeeper), Stacey North, Mark Thomas, David Owen, Raymond Daniel, Raymond Brammer.

**JAKE FINDLAY:** A goalkeeper who had languished in the reserves at Aston Villa for nine years, Findlay's huge hands grasped the chance immediately when 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.

**ALAN JUDGE:** Spotted by Luton playing schoolboy soccer in Hertfordshire, Judge has one of the hardest jobs at Kenilworth Road — study to a goal-keeper who never seems to lose form. He joined Luton as an apprentice in 1976 but his league chances have been restricted by Findlay's consistency.

**BRIAN HORTON:** Luton abandoned their normal policy when they paid a modest fee to Brighton for Horton's signature — he was the first Division player manager David Pleat had signed in three years as boss. The midfielder was immediately appointed club captain at 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 — he made more than 200 appearances for each of his previous clubs, Brighton and Port Vale.

**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 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 levels.

**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.

**WAYNE TURNER:** A place in Luton's league squad was just reward last season for a player who has been brought up through schools and youth football at Kenilworth Road. A local boy who can play in defence or midfield, he is one of several young players coming through to challenge established names for places in the Second Division side.

**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 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.

**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 midfielders and scoring regularly ever since.

**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.

**BRIAN STEIN:** For a centre-forward, Brian Stein looks too 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 made him out as an outstanding prospect.

**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 Zaragoza in Spain, where supporters staged protest demonstrations when the transfer was announced. Effective in defence or midfield, and equipped with a spellbinding ability to bend shots both ways, he has become a firm favourite with Luton fans.

# DO YOU KNOW...

That Charlton Athletic have one of the best youth set-ups in the Football League.

Three members of the present first team squad, Paul Walsh, Paul Elliott and Kevin Smith have graduated through the club's youth policy.

Both the club's colts teams are in fourth position in the respective divisions of the South East Counties League and the seniors have been beaten only once.

On Saturdays and during the week scouts go out looking for young players who may eventually make the grade and many youngsters attend The Valley for training sessions.

Youngsters from local clubs also attend training sessions at the club's new all-weather surface at Valley Leisure.

For youngsters lucky enough to sign apprentice professional they are given advice and help and opportunities to study at college for another trade or profession as well.

In addition to playing football they also have to carry out jobs at the ground like cleaning the dressing room and looking after the senior players boots.



Barry Little takes down some washing.



Frank Attard and Barry Little working in the boot room.



Apprentice professional Frank Coles cleans some of the players' boots.



Mark Simpson, Steve Browne and Ronnie Hesling clearing the snow from the pitch.



Chief Scout Les Gore discusses youth policy with other club officials involved. Left to right: Bill Gallagher (physiotherapist), Ernst Netuka (youth development officer), Jim Fibbins (scout), Eddie Heath (scout) and Ian Salter (coach). Roy Passey, who runs the junior colts team, was not available when this photo was taken.



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# EVERTON

## Can they be Mersey Top Dogs?

For years Everton have been left in the shadow of their more illustrious Merseyside neighbours Liverpool. Blue has been put firmly in the background by red. But is this about to change at long last?

Some of this season's early write-ups by my journalistic colleagues on the national newspapers — particularly when Everton went to Tottenham — were less than admiring.

One or two made it downright plain that Everton ought to have been ashamed of themselves putting on such a negative showing, when football is crying out for adventure and an expression in forward-thinking.

But perhaps it was early days to judge a new man in new pastures. For Howard Kendall, as those newspapermen rightly pointed out, was himself a player of immense attacking skill. Oughtn't he to be instilling those ideas into his own players?

But things are somewhat different. Kendall has been entrusted with the destiny of that great Lancashire club after successfully showing up in his first managerial appointment a few miles down the round at Blackburn.

And while no one would condone an excessive use of 'tight at the back' formations as a pre-requisite, Kendall — in his first full season at Goodison — must ensure that his team consolidates before he can hope to land any major honours.

So his first thoughts may well have been to make sure that if his team was not well-knit enough to win matches every week, then not losing was paramount.

For no one will deny that it is better to keep your place in Division I than to 'blow it' in the belief that relegation may be a blessing in disguise, and that you can always fight your way back.

Tommy Docherty recently voiced the opinion that he disagreed with people who said that Manchester United's relegation from Division I was a good thing in that they bounced back immediately and gave Division II a terrific shot in the arm.

Not even the most open-hearted of Everton supporters would forgive Kendall for losing a First Division place — problems and all — so one can understand his caution.

At 34, to take on such an appointment was awe-inspiring and certainly not a challenge for one of a faint-hearted nature.

Ten years without a top honour — that's what prompted the Everton board to sack Gordon Lee last season and seek out Kendall.

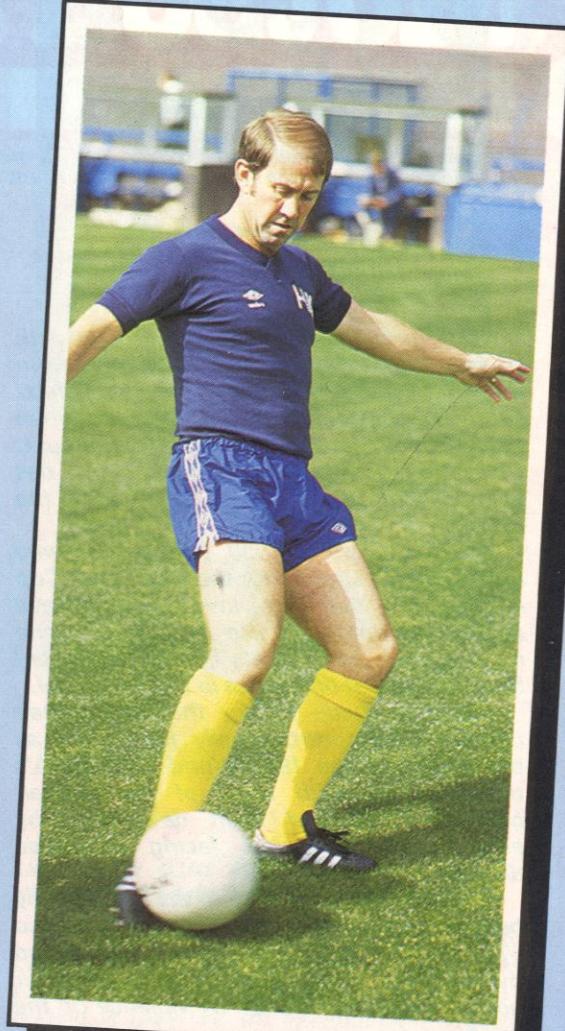
There has been a big turnover of players since the upheaval — another reason why continuity with results was obviously not going to happen overnight.

The departure of such men as Asa Hartford, Gary Megson, Imre Varadi, Bob Latchford, Garry Stanley and John Gidman was counteracted by the introduction of Alan Ainscow, Alan Biley and Mick Ferguson.

But there are exciting young prospects coming through with enough promise to suggest that in a season or two, Everton may well at last overtake their close and deadly rivals across the Mersey park.

Eamonn O'Keefe and Steve McMahon look fine material, and Ferguson, a man who was unsettled for two years before finally leaving Coventry, is a striker who has probably not yet realised his full potential, but may well fulfil it at Goodison in the right company.

Everton fans have been loyal and patient while Liverpool's success has been a constant thorn in their side. The last title to be celebrated was the League championship in 1970 and prior to that an F.A. Cup win



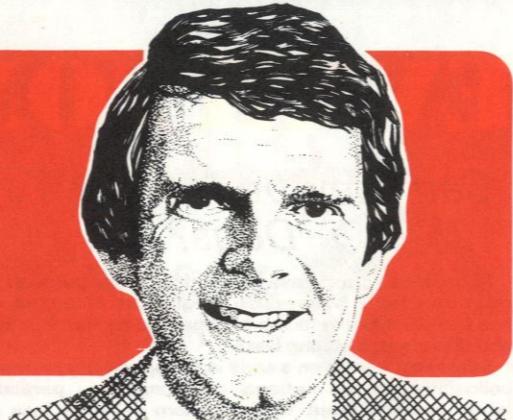
EVERTON MANAGER HOWARD KENDALL

over Sheffield Wednesday four years earlier.

The best Everton can hope for this season, one feels, is a Cup success in either domestic field, or possibly a European spot in the UEFA Cup by virtue of a good placing in the final reckoning.

But overall judgments on Kendall's approach should be made when May comes around — and not now while he is picking up the threads in one of the most pressurised managerial jobs in the land.

# What's on Motson?



In his World Cup series, BBC commentator John Motson has already examined the credentials of Spain, Argentina and Brazil. Here he stays with the South Americans, but turns to one of the outsiders.....

## Chile Have a Lot to Live Down

No country has left the World Cup with such a sour taste as Chile — a reputation they will want to mend in Spain next summer. Although they finished third when they were hosts for the 1962 tournament, Chile's participation in five World Cups has been soiled with ill feeling on and off the field.

Even way back in 1930, when Chile were among the 13 starters for the first World Cup in Uruguay, they were involved in a brawl against Argentina. Police had to intervene on the field, and Chile's 3-1 defeat meant they missed out on a place in the semi-final.

But they made up for that when their country was controversially nominated as the scene for the 1962 World Cup. FIFA's decision met with roars of disapproval, because Chile had been devastated by earthquakes, and was facing economic disaster.

Nevertheless, they rose to the occasion by building two lovely stadiums at Santiago and Vina del Mar, and their team did them proud by reaching third place. But again, their performance was marred by violence on the pitch.

There was already bad blood between Chile and Italy before they met in Santiago. Italian journalists had sent back critical stories about their hosts, and the Chileans were scathing about the presence of "imported" or "naturalised" players in the Italy squad.

Trouble flared early in the game, when Leonel Sanchez, Chile's outside left, broke the nose of an Italian defender with a perfect left hook! The punch was seen clearly by millions on television, but missed by both linesmen and English referee, Ken Aston.

As the Italians sought revenge, Aston sent off two of their players, David and Ferrini, and Chile went on to beat nine men 2-0. They pulled off a bigger surprise still when they beat the Soviet Union in the quarter final.

In the semi-final against Brazil, the Chileans were unable to contain Garrincha on the right wing. He caused them so much unrest in Brazil's 4-2 victory that they found only one way to stop him, and late in the game Garrincha was sent off for retaliation.

Chile's Landa followed him to the dressing room, but the hosts managed to beat Yugoslavia to take third place.

Chile made little impression in England in 1966, and failed to qualify for Mexico in 1970. But when they won their South

American group in the 1974 qualifying competition, they found themselves paired with the Soviet Union in a home and away "play-off" to decide which country went to West Germany.

Chile drew 0-0 in Moscow, but the Soviet side refused to travel to Santiago for the return, on the grounds that the National Stadium there had been used to shoot left-wing prisoners during Chile's political uprising.

FIFA eventually disqualified the USSR, so Chile went to the finals and lost to their West German hosts in their opening match in Berlin. Paul Breitner scored the only goal, and Chile had their star forward, Carlos Caszely, sent off. Without him, they drew their next two matches and were eliminated.

Now, eight years on, Caszely is still playing up front at the age of 32, and is part of what the Chileans believe is their best-ever team. Another survivor of 1974 is their splendid defender, Elias Figueroa, who was three times voted South American Footballer of the Year when he was playing in Brazil. He has now moved to the calmer pastures of the North American League, but at 35 his experience in the sweeper's position is essential to Chile.

Their coach, Oscar Luis Santibanez, guided them through their qualifying group against Ecuador and Paraguay in fine style. Chile took seven points out of eight and did not concede a single goal.

Santibanez has tended to play Caszely at centre forward — he scored in recent matches against Columbia, Peru, Ecuador, Paraguay and Spain — with two younger players wide of him. Patricio Yanez, on the right, scored in both matches against Paraguay, and Gustavo Moscoso, on the left, has been the team's most improved player.

In the last few months, Chile have held three of the World Cup favourites — Spain, Brazil and Argentina — to a draw in friendly matches. The government has been so impressed that they have set aside £700,000 to support Chile's World Cup effort.



Chile Captain ELIAS FIGUEROA, who is currently playing for Fort Lauderdale Strikers in Florida, U.S.A.

So it seems no quarter is being spared to help the "long, thin country" to repair and widen their World Cup reputation. But my feeling is they will do exceptionally well in Spain if they survive the first round.

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## BURY



### Time for More Shaking?

A glance at the First Division table for the mid-1920s reveals that Bury were in the lofty position of fourth. And a further examination of the League's history shows that this old Lancashire club held an unbroken place in Division 1 for 17 seasons up to 1912.

Alas, as they say in that part of the world, 'that were a long time ago.'

Now Bury are very far removed at the other end of the League ladder, finishing about half-way in Division 4 last season, but naturally ever-optimistic of winning back a place in the Third at the end of this term.

For most of the post-war period up to 1967, Bury were a Second Division club and recognised as such. Gigg Lane was a place humming with crowds, which reached their peak when Bolton Wanderers were the opposition for a third round FA Cup derby in 1960 and 35,000 crammed into the ground — a figure which stands as a record.

Perhaps Bury's most famous son was Norman Bullock. Between 1920 and 1935 he set up three records which may never be surpassed by a Bury player.

He made a total of 506 League appearances; he scored 124 League goals in all; and in one season, hit 31 (1925-26).

And when the war ended, he became the club's first post-war manager. But then began an absolute trail of bosses at Gigg Lane, one of the League's biggest club lists since hostilities ceased.

The current manager Jim Iley is the 16th, and he has had some famous predecessors, including Bob Stokoe, Bert Head, Les Shannon, Colin McDonald and Allan Brown.



Paul Hilton

But probably the best player ever produced by the club was Colin Bell who went on to join Manchester City and become an England regular until injury tragically ended his career prematurely.

Iley took over team matters in the summer of 1980 and understandably took time to sort out his problems after they had fallen into the Fourth.

But there are positive signs this time out that Bury will not be there long. After nearly three months of the campaign, they were in the top three, and their sparkling home form (they won their first seven games on the trot) has been a major factor.

On their day they are capable of running riot, as poor Northampton found out when they were trounced 7-1 with Craig Madden grabbing a hat-trick.

Madden has been really on target, snatching 12 in his first 11 outings, and is proving a valuable capture since he joined from Northern Nomads.

Among the new signings have been goalkeeper John Platt and Mark Hilton from Oldham, and Noel Bradley from Manchester City. At the heart of the defence is the experienced Pat Howard who made 184 appearances for Newcastle and a handful at Arsenal and Birmingham before signing up with the Lancashire club.

Bury have always been known as the Shakers and it is a long time since they lived up to that nickname.

But there is plenty of optimism now and Jim Iley will be a very disappointed man if he can't steer them to promotion after all the hard initial work of last winter.



Craig Madden



## THE EARLY YEARS

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## THE ASSOCIATION GAME IN SCOTLAND

By R. M. CONNELL

*The sport that appeals to the masses—Early history of the game—£130,000 spent in Glasgow upon grounds, stands, &c.—The standard of play—The Scottish Cup competition and its early history—No goal lost in seven years—Dawn of the Celtic Club—The "Snow Final"—The legislation of professionalism—A run of triumphs—The rise of Third Lanark—A sensational victory—The League system introduced into Scotland—A record sixpenny gate*

IF golf is more typical of Scottish life generally, football is the sport that appeals to the masses. One has got to be in Glasgow on International day to realise adequately how tremendous is the hold the game has on the Scottish mind. The enthusiasm of the Scot for the Association game is without parallel in any other race for any particular sport or pastime. Every village can boast of its goal-posts, budding Arnotts, Campbells, and Bobbie Walkers. For nine months the major portion of the male inhabitants of the land of cakes, Bibles, and whisky, discuss little else than the Saturday performances of their favourite clubs and players, and during the other three months of the year they indulge in extravagant speculations in regard to the team that is to wipe out England next April.

The early history of the game is lost in the hoary mists of antiquity, but organised football dates from the birth of Queen's Park F.C. in 1867, years after the game had been cradled in Sheffield. The most remarkable evidence of its growth in recent times has been the enormous outlay in ground extension. In Glasgow alone, the Celtic, Queen's Park, and Rangers clubs have collectively spent £130,000 on ground purchase, stands, and the general equipment of their enclosures. The Celtic lead with £50,000, and the most recent outlay was the acquirement by the club of the palatial iron and glass stand erected by one of the directors at his own expense.

The Rangers come next with £42,000, and operations are not at an end. Since the fateful loss of life at the England-Scotland match in

1902, the club has had in view the abolition of all wooden structures on the terraces, and earth banking on a more extended scale is in progress. Queen's Park, so far, has spent £38,000 on New Hampden Park, a pavilion has yet to be erected at a cost of £5,000, and the pen system of accommodation still further enlarged.

There are those who contend that football is still in its infancy in Scotland, and among those who have expressed this view is Mr. J. H. McLaughlin, ex-president of the Scottish Football Association.

The Celtic chairman has ranged himself on the side of the League reformers, who are endeavouring to combat the hostility of the district cliques in the S.F.A. committee, in affecting the best interests of the game. In recent years, the Scottish League has accomplished more in the direction of improving the standard of refereeing than the S.F.A., and it is a matter for regret that its progressive policy is stultified by its subsidiary position. The shrewder and more independent men in official life are found in the League circle, and, unlike the parent body, there is not the deplorable change in its officers that we see at headquarters from year to year.

In modern football, half-back and goal are the only positions where improvement is visible. The standard of back play and the forward game has deteriorated so very much that only those who have been in touch with the game from the early days can pass judgment on the poverty of its exponents in the more strenuous activity of the

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present age. One has only to point to the extraordinary prospecting that goes on nowadays by the International Selection Committee on both sides of the Border to illustrate the decline, which is the more inexplicable considering the greater number of clubs that have sprung up.

The standard of play in the national matches in recent years is vastly inferior to what it was twenty years ago. The English teams of 1886, 1888, and 1892, or the Scottish elevens at Blackburn in 1887, at the Oval in 1889, and later still, in 1897 and 1900, are not to be compared with the ill-assorted combinations put into the field within the last few years. The Anglo-Scot turned the scale in Scotland's favour nine or ten years ago, but in the last two Internationals even the Anglo-Scot has failed woefully.

Only so far as Wales and Ireland are concerned has the utilisation of the home-bred player in the service of other countries been productive of improved results in national games. For the first time since Wales and Ireland were included among the national fixtures, Scotland failed to score a win in any of the three games in 1904, the Welsh and Irish matches being drawn, and the English one lost. This year no betterment occurred. Wales beat a strong Scottish team at Wrexham for the first time in thirty years by 3 goals to 1, but a triumph over the representatives of Ireland by 4 goals to 0 at Celtic Park encouraged official hopes in Scotland that in the greater struggle with England consolation would be forthcoming for other disappointments.

The Scottish team contained but four resident players, three of whom — Walker, Wilson, and Thomson — were members of the Heart of Midlothian Club. Glasgow, the "City of Football," had but one representative in the team, which unique circumstance was a decided change from the days when Queen's Park could supply a winning eleven. The public protest when the team was disclosed, and the clamour in the hour of defeat, may lead to a more liberal encourage-

ment for the home player this season.

The game was notable for the super-excellence of the half-backs, a fair standard of back play, and the most hollow forward exhibition ever seen in an England-Scotland match.

Inaugurated in the season of 1873-4, the year following the first International between the representatives of England and Scotland, the Scottish Cup competition is enshrined with the most cherished memories of the game. In later days the League system has proved its utility by providing an attractive series of fixtures with a championship attached to maintain competitive interest, but the Cup still appeals to the masses in a manner no other interest can disturb.

The early history of the Scottish Cup is largely the history of Queen's Park, whose officials cling as tenaciously and loyally to the amateur traditions of the club as in the days of yore, when it revolutionised the forward game by the introduction of combination in passing, a system perfected in later times by Preston North End, the most brilliant team of all time, and the pioneers of professionalism.

In the first seven years of its existence, Queen's Park never lost a goal, and in the season of 1881-2 none of its three elevens lost a match. The club has suffered by the inroads of professionalism, but the magnetic influence of the name still attracts to it the better class of the youth of the West of Scotland.

Regularly four elevens play every Saturday under the old colours, and there are sufficient players at the call of the officials to comprise another two were ground available. Beginning in 1873-4, down till 1882-3, when the old Dumbarton, served at the time by such brilliant exponents of the game as James McAulay, Peter Miller, and Joseph Lindsay, triumphed over that powerful local organisation, the Vale of Leven, the Scottish Cup was won alternately by Queen's Park and Vale of Leven. Queen's Park led with

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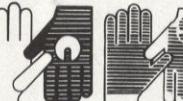
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three successive victories, then the hardy Vale held it for three more, following which Queen's Park repeated the early sequence by accomplishing the "hat trick" a second time.

It was these performances, coupled with the preponderating element of Queen's Park players in the national teams, that endeared the club to the hearts of the Scottish populace — a sympathy and support intensified when the club made such praiseworthy attempts to capture the English Cup at a time when Blackburn Rovers proved invincible.

The spread of the game and the rise to power of the three great Dumbartonshire clubs — Renton, Dumbarton, and Vale of Leven — followed by the attainment of Cup honours on the part of Hibernian, Renton, and Third Lanark in the later eighties, relegated Queen's Park to a less exalted station, from which it has fitfully emerged to revive the lustre of a glorious past.

The dawn of the Celtic Club in 1888-9 marked a new era in Scottish football. The triumph of the Hibernian Club two years previously in the Cup Final, inspired the Irishmen of Glasgow to emulate the brilliant deeds of their co-patriots in Edinburgh by the creation of a similar organisation in the west part of the country.

Adherents flocked to its standard from all parts, and recruited by players of the highest class in James Kelly and Neil McCallum (Renton), P. Gallacher, M. McKeown, James McLaren, John Coleman, W. Groves, and M. Dunbar from the Hibernian Club, together with the aid of the brothers Tom E. Maley and W. Maley, who had served the Partick Thistle and

Third Lanark clubs, the Celtic had a sensational rise. Its first Scottish Cup-tie saw the old Cow-lairs vanquished by 8 goals to 0, and the defeat of Dumbarton by 4 goals to 1 on the historic and dreaded Dumbarton Ground paved the way for the appearance of the Celtic in the Cup Final of 1888-9 against Third Lanark.

The story of the memorable "Snow Final" that year with its subsequent replay, and triumph of the "Volunteers" by 2 goals to 1, has often been told.

One recalls with pride the achievements of that team so ably served by Andrew and W. Thomson, John R. Auld and James Hannah, later of Sunderland, John Marshall, and last, but not least, James Oswald, the International centre-forward, who afterwards gained fame and renown in the ranks of Notts County.

An early series of Cup struggles in 1877-9 against the Vale of Leven established the Rangers in the affections of the public, and the popularity then gained never deserted the "Light Blues". Founded in 1872, by the brothers Tom and Alexander Vallance and the brothers McNeil — identified so closely with Queen's Park and Rangers — the old Kinning Park combination found its proper place after the legalisation of professionalism by the Scottish Football Association in 1893.

After the legalisation of professionalism, the Rangers took a new lease of life. The season following its adoption, the club signalled its majority by a maiden Scottish Cup triumph over the Celtic by 3 goals to 1, the feat being achieved by one of the best trained teams ever seen on a football field. The late Nicol Smith and John Drum-



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#### THIRD LANARK—WINNERS OF THE SCOTTISH CUP, 1904-5

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#### CELTIC FOOTBALL CLUB—SCOTTISH LEAGUE CHAMPIONS, 1905

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mond for more than a decade were partners at back, and this stalwart couple laid the foundation of the remarkable spell of prosperity that ensued for Ibrox Park.

In the interval, the national trophy was three times won by its representatives, who also enjoyed an unprecedented run of triumphs in the Glasgow and Glasgow Charity Cup competitions. In the season of 1896-7 the Rangers followed the Celtic's notable achievement in 1892 by capturing all three cups.

In 1898-9, the club put up a new record in the Scottish League by winning every match, with a goal aggregate of 79 for and 18 against. The next three years the championship monopoly was continued, and over the four years the Rangers lost but six League matches out of 74, of which number five were drawn, with a goal record of 251 for and 99 against.

Slowly, but none the less surely, the Third Lanark regained its old position, and the first indication of its rise was the overthrow of the Celtic in the Glasgow Charity Cup Final at the Glasgow Exhibition, the improvement in the play of the team synchronising with the advent of the veteran Sunderland half-back Hugh Wilson. Success followed in the Glasgow Cup and Scottish League Tournament, and the end of 1903-4 found the club eulogised as "the team of the year".

This brings our narrative down to the Cup Final of 1904-5, when Third Lanark and Rangers were left to decide the ordeal of the survival of the fittest. Singularly, the clubs had never met in a Scottish Final, and each won its way to the last stage by all-round merit. For four months pre-

ding the match Third Lanark never lost a game.

The game was decided at Hampden Park, and popular anticipation was verified in the result, Third Lanark proving successful, after a drawn match, by 3 goals to 1.

Following England's lead in 1889-90, the League system was introduced in Scotland a year later with the most beneficial results to the game in the bigger centres. Two years previously the Rangers and Celtic met in a Cup-tie, and the "gate" drawings yielded some £80. That same year the record attendance for any match in Scotland was 18,068. Last year, when the same clubs met in the Scottish Cup Final, 64,472 persons passed through the turnstiles, and £1,854 3s. 3d. was drawn, a sum which established the record for a sixpenny "gate". These clubs, and the Heart of Midlothian, are the best exponents of football in Scotland at the present day.

Of the clubs originally forming the League, only Celtic, Third Lanark, Rangers, Heart of Midlothian, and St. Mirren remain in the First Division, which was extended this year to include the Aberdeen and Falkirk clubs with the object of broadening interest in the competition. Unfortunately, the league has always had a pronounced "tail," and the championship has been monopolised by the Celtic (5), Rangers (5), Heart of Midlothian (2), Dumbarton (2), Hibernian (1), and Third Lanark (1). Dumbarton and Rangers held the championship jointly in 1890-1, and last season a tie again occurred, but as goal average is ignored, and a deciding match is necessary, the Rangers and Celtic played a rubber match at Hampden Park which Celtic won by 2 goals to 1.





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There are times when he tackles with the apparent force of a Sherman tank. It looks inelegant, and can make the strongest man wince at the mere sight of it.

The Scot was in trouble with Sunderland manager Alan Durban recently with a tackle upon one of Durban's younger and less experienced players which enflamed him to such an extent, that he invaded the field to remonstrate with the referee — a fuss which then induced Allan Clarke, the Leeds manager, to join the fray.

Burns isn't discerning. He would figure that if a player is wearing a Sunderland shirt, he's old enough to look after himself, and while one would never condone his exuberance when it comes to downright unfair aggression, it is still a man's game — thank goodness — and if a player oversteps the mark, there are punishments enough to fit the crime.

It seems hard now to accept that at Birmingham, Burns was mostly a striker and occasionally a midfield player, and never performed at the heart of the defence until Freddie Goodwin one day asked him to play there in a third team match.

Brian Clough saw enough of Burns' potential in that key position to take him to the City Ground, but with two sombre warnings — that he would not tolerate an extension of the 'bad boy' image Burns had somehow won for himself at St. Andrew's, and that if he didn't make the grade at Forest, his career would be over!

Those awesome words ringing in his ears, Burns knew exactly where he stood. The spade had not been called a shovel — and that suited the Scot. It was, he figured, his sort of language.

Burns played an integral part in Forest's team plan which twice won them the European Cup against Malmo and Hamburg in successive years, and also the First Division championship.

But all good things come to an end, and with the gradual break-up of the Forest team as Clough sought to rebuild the side with the future in mind, Burns at last broke off his connection with Clough when early this season he joined Leeds United to help Clarke shape an Elland Road side seeking desperately to recapture the old Revie-style success image.

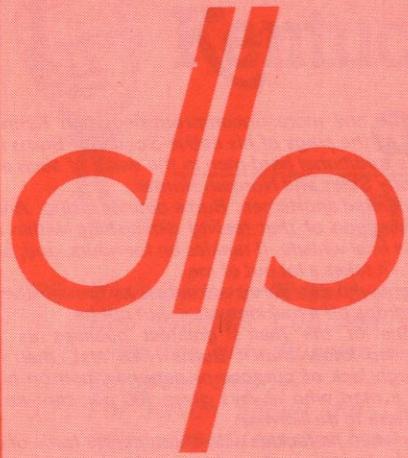
In addition, Burns also looks forward to 1982 and, hopefully, a place in Jock Stein's squad for the World Cup finals in Spain.

Burns was a player in Scotland's last World Cup fling in Argentina which ended disastrously despite all the extravagant phrases from the then manager Ally McLeod.

He rates that as an unhappy experience and one which he dearly wants to rectify in Spain. He could well get his opportunity, but he knows that any rashness in or around the penalty area with tackling which some of the foreign referees may take less kindly to than British officials, could be potentially dangerous to Scotland's chances.

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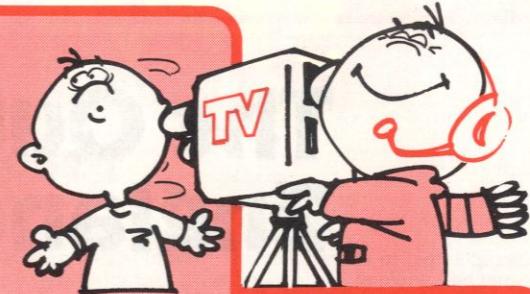
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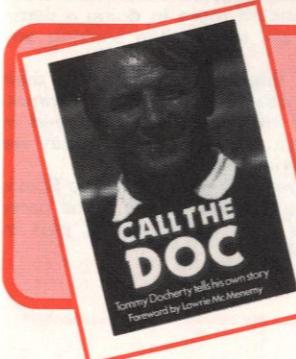
Every touch of the ball came with a little blip, just like the sound of boot on ball. Every goal brought a roar from the television speaker. My little computer players took throw-ins, corners and goal-kicks just like the real thing, all at the touch of a button.

And, truest to life of all, I lost miserably.

Since this marvellous machine exists, I thought, why not feed into a computer all the skills and tactics of various teams, and see how they fare against each other. Forget the pools panel. Let the two teams do battle on the computer screen.

I must have got very carried away with all this, because it wasn't long after I'd started my fourth revenge match on the computer that a shop assistant took me by the shoulder and gave me the proverbial red card from his toy department. "Some game," I muttered as I headed for the lift. There hadn't even been one jeer from the computer at my sending-off.

I went down to the Home Improvements for an early bath.



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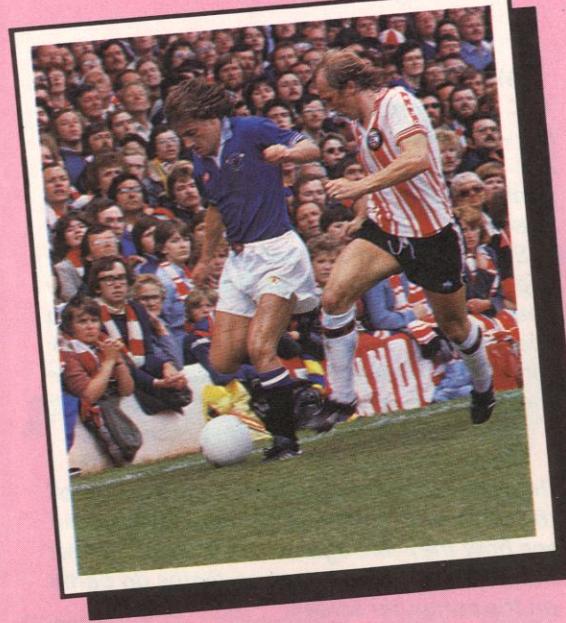
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# STEVE COPPELL The Quiet Man of England's attack



STEVE COPPELL IN ACTION AT THE DELL

Steve Coppell is not the flashy sort, in his play or his demeanour. He's the quiet, almost boy-next-door type whom you would pass in the street and not take a second look.

But out there on the park, Coppell takes on a very different stance. With the ball at his feet, he is a positive menace to anyone who wants to protect their goal against either Manchester United or England.

Not for nothing has this dapper son of Liverpool been capped by his country 33 times in a three year-spell.

It was Tommy Docherty, then United boss, who saw the potential in Coppell when he signed him from Tranmere after he had made just under 40 League appearances.

It proved a good day's work for the Reds. For since his arrival, he has chalked up more than 270 First and Second Division appearances — and up to the start of this campaign, had 40 League goals to his credit.

Coppell is not only a player with vision and enterprise. He is an absolute blessing for any manager who believes that above all, it is teamwork which wins trophies, rather than individual class and flair.

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# GRASS ROOTS

by Alan Honey

## COMMENSURATE REWARD!

The very few games that were staged during the atrocious weather in the period before Christmas, called into question the merits of possessing under-soil heating, or any other capability of combating the elements. Although the last Saturday prior to seasonal festivities has a long history of notoriety as regards to poor attendances at football matches, the 5,085 that gathered to watch ourselves and Bolton at Burnden Park, was the lowest on that ground since 1969.

## POOR RESPONSE

Despite hefty pre-match heating costs, Everton's clash with Aston Villa only managed to draw 16,538 from the fireside, the lowest League gate of the season at Goodison. Fortunately, Maine Road's 28,462 provided an air of respectability to the two-match First Division programme. Elsewhere, only Chelsea attracted a five-figure crowd. Second-placed Oldham edged above the five thousand mark by the margin of six, with the Third and Fourth Divisions chipping in 3,759 at Eastville and 1,880 at Plainmoor, to complete a dismal picture.

North of the Border the analysis proved just as depressing, Hibernian's paltry 3,000 being bolstered by Rangers' figure to provide an aggregate of 14,000 for Scotland's two Premier fixtures that survived. Last Saturday, the 7,409 for the top of the table meeting of Oldham and Watford at Boundary Park, along with 15,906 for Forest v Birmingham (again, the lowest at the City ground) gave little encouragement.

## ONE-SIDED FIGHT

The battle between man and climatic conditions has been waged for a very long time and so far, has been a somewhat one-sided affair. Ensuring that the pitch is playable is but one of the tasks facing the ground staff when preparing for a fixture. Open terracing must be cleared and made safe, or ruled out of bounds, as at Bolton, along with entrances and other areas where spectators might be expected to venture.

## ASTRODOMES

Of course, completely enclosed stadia, on astrodome lines, would obviate the need for such illsome toils, in addition to rendering play possible when visibility is poor outside and would rid us of the criticism of wind-swept grandstands.

However, a dramatic measure of this nature is heavily capital-intensive and in any event only takes care of the prospective spectator's needs upon his/her arrival at the stadium. Surely, one of the greatest deterrents confronting the would-be fan is the inconvenience, indeed, severe difficulties, associated with travel that usually accompany inclement weather. For do not theatres and other centres of indoor leisure activities suffer when the thermometer falls, or the barometer reads less than fair?

## MIXED BLESSING

It cannot be denied that the facilities previously mentioned have great virtues; but perhaps they can only be fully appreciated by a club without them, having a game abandoned through the pitch markings being covered by a sudden fall of snow, or the rapid descent of fog, while leading by five or six goals to nil!

The reverse would apply to today's visitors when related to a fourth round Cup tie against Manchester City at Kenilworth Road in 1961. Hatters were trailing by the latter margin when the weather forced the referee to call a halt to proceedings, thereby erasing a double hat-trick from Denis Law's record. When the tie was eventually re-arranged, remarkably, Town ran out 3-1 winners.

## POSSIBLE BONUS

Naturally, in the present financial climate of high interest rates to which football clubs are alas, not immune, the temporary cessation of a major part of their income has had an adverse effect on already serious cash-flow problems, but solace may eventually shine through the current gloom.

The worse season for postponements in the history of the game was during the dreadful winter of 1962-63. The tale of woe commenced on Boxing Day 1962, notably, with an injury that terminated the playing career of Brian Clough, at icy Roker Park and only concluded in March 1963, by which time the toll of postponements had reached 337 from the 443 matches originally scheduled.

After the backlog had been cleared, attendances at Football League grounds for the campaign totalled 28,885,852 — the best for the period between 1960-61 and 1965-66. That figure was only surpassed in the post-World Cup boom that followed England's victory as host nation in 1966.

## VOTE OF THANKS

Although it seems a long time ago, this is our first opportunity to thank the players that came along to the Supporters' Club Christmas Party as well as the generous contributors of raffle prizes. An enjoyable evening was had by all.

## BAD DAY FOR REDS

Red-shirted Arsenal, Nottingham Forest, Manchester United and, of course, Charlton Athletic, all fell at the first hurdle in the F.A. Cup. Let's hope for better things next term.

## TODAY'S MASCOT: JASON POTTER

Ten-year-old Jason comes from Witham, Essex and attends Howbridge Junior School, in that area. He keeps goal for the Boys Brigade, his school and a local club. Younger brother Samuel, although at three, not yet old enough to be a mascot, wears his Charlton kit with pride. When asked about the shirt he replies, "Killer wears it". Obviously a budding striker!

Jason's favourite Charlton player is Nicky Johns.



## AWAY TRAVEL

Saturday, 30th January, v GRIMSBY TOWN, at Blundell Park, Cleethorpes, k.o. 3.00 p.m.

Coaches depart at 8.30 a.m. and the fare is £5.

Train service details will be available this afternoon. Your attention is drawn to the fact that membership cards must be carried if you wish to travel with the Supporters' Club.

Enquiries related to away travel can be made on match days at the Supporters' Information Centre, situated behind the main stand at the south corner. On other occasions information can be obtained by telephoning the Travel Officer, Bill Treadgold, on 01-467 7623 but please restrict your calls to between 7 and 9 p.m.

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# BACKGROUND

When Paul Elliott recently came on as substitute against Orient in the F.A. Cup and played in a striker's role some people were surprised how well he did.

But Paul knows what it is all about playing up front. He actually joined the club as a centre forward or winger and only moved to the defence when he started appearing in the colts side.

"I much prefer to play in the defence", said Paul "but I have certainly enjoyed it when I have been pushed up front."

Although he was moved down to substitute recently Paul was not surprised or too disappointed. "The boss told me he would probably give me a rest. I am still young and inexperienced but I have learnt a tremendous amount playing in the first team."

Ever since he played for his school — Blackheath and Blue-coat — Paul has been a natural for the game and has fitted in perfectly to the League side despite still only being 17 years old.

He was first brought to The Valley as a youngster of 15 by Roy Passey who runs the junior colts team.

In those days Paul played centre forward for a local Sunday side, Highmead, but trained at The Valley on an evening.

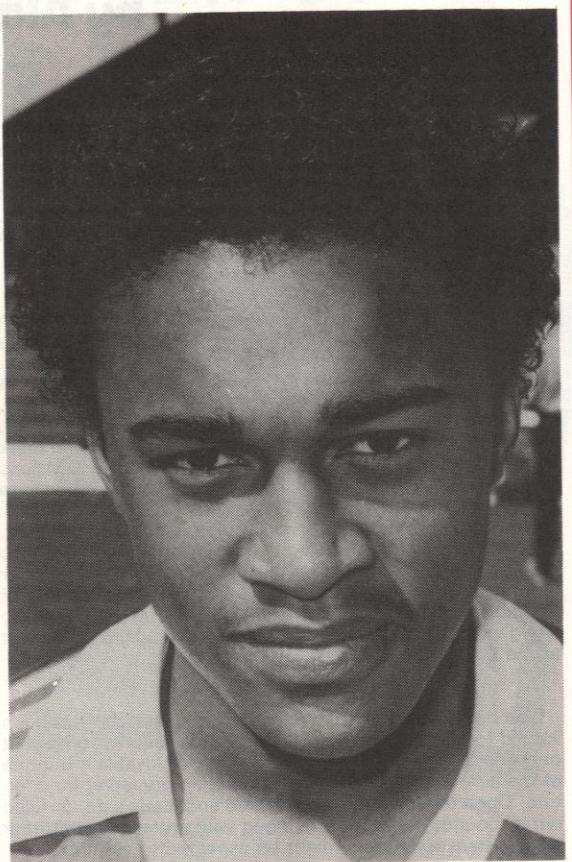
Paul signed as an apprentice professional for the club in June, 1980 and became a full professional six months later.

Manager Alan Mullery had no hesitation in throwing Paul in at the deep end just after the season started and he thrilled everybody with his great goal against Reading in the League Cup.

Earlier in the season Paul played for the England Youth team in four internationals in a tournament in Yugoslavia and is hoping to get picked against Scotland next month.

"Because of my commitment with Charlton I missed the tour of Australia and the get together at Lilleshall this week but I would obviously like to play for England again this season."

Paul's brother Jeff, who is one of his keenest fans was also hoping to carve out a professional football career but a serious ankle injury when he was with West Ham ruined his hopes.



PAUL ELLIOTT

With so many coloured players now excelling in League football Paul has no inhibitions about being black.

"At first it used to concern me and I once got sent off when an opponent abused me", he said. "Now I don't let it worry me. I just love playing."

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# SNAP!



(Left): Paul Elliott rises to meet a corner in the Cup-tie at Orient.  
(Top Right): Derek Hales scores the goal in our win at Cardiff.  
(Bottom Right): Paul Walsh's shot which hit the bar in the match against Norwich.

# SNAP!

with Tom Morris



# LOOKING BACK

## with Colin Cameron

In common with twenty other clubs in our Division, Charlton will undoubtedly regard today's visit of leaders Luton Town as one of the big challenges of the season.

In the last campaign, Luton were only two points, and a few goals, behind third placed Swansea in the promotion stakes and a clue to The Hatters tremendous success this season can possibly be found from their overall record against the three promoted clubs last term. They were, for example, the only club to perform the "double" over West Ham; they won and lost against Notts County; and shared the points twice with Swansea.

Tremendous credit must certainly go to their young manager **David Pleat**! Over the years, he has shown great patience with the preparation of his club for the big time — ever mindful of the danger of taking up a club which is not quite ready.

However, based on the success, to date, of West Ham and Swansea, David must rate, with ample justification, his club's chances in the higher sphere if — and I mean a very small if — they get there.

### FIVE SUCCESSIVE DEFEATS

Charlton supporters will need no reminding of our poor results against Luton in recent years! Having suffered five successive defeats against The Hatters, we are today seeking our first victory against the Bedfordshire club since September 10, 1976 when a **Derek Hales** "hat-trick" — against his first League club — and a **Bob Curtis** penalty gave us a 4-3 Valley win against **Harry Haslam's** team.

Scorers for The Hatters that day were "Dixie" Deans, **John Aston** and **Ricky Hill**. That treble brought Derek's tally for Charlton against his old club to four and when we last met at The Valley on April 4, 1980, he added another in our 4-1 defeat. Scorers for Luton on that occasion were penalty king **Dave Moss** (from the spot), **Tony Greasham**, **Alan West** and **Bob Hatton**.

### RECORD AWAY VICTORY

A glance at our overall record against Luton shows that of the 45 previous League meetings, we have won 15, drawn 8 and lost 22; while our share of the 149 goals has been 65.

We have therefore lost seven more than we've won against The Hatters since our first-ever meeting at Kenilworth Road on April 15, 1922. It's interesting to note that this deficit has only been built up over the past six years.

During this period, we have met Luton eleven times and won only once, drawing twice and losing the remaining eight. In those eleven best-be-forgotten games we scored only nine goals while conceding thirty-three.

Certainly if we were to remember better days against Luton, one would probably soon switch back to the match staged at Kenilworth Road on February 10, 1962 because on that day we undoubtedly produced one of our greatest-ever away performances.

Our fans may recall that we had made the worst of starts to that particular season. After 19 matches we had recorded only nine points.

However, match no. 20, which produced a 4-0 victory against Preston, signalled the start of one of the most amazing recoveries in the history of football — Charlton producing a very high brand of football to record 30 points from their final 23 matches.

Nevertheless when we faced Luton, the cold facts were that we were in bottom place and The Hatters in tenth position. Our major recovery was, however, in full swing with an unbeaten run of six League matches behind us as

well as F.A. Cup victories over Scunthorpe United and Derby County.

Past records, however, count for nothing on the day, and we were reminded of this fact when **Gordon Turner** opened the scoring for Luton after 24 minutes.

This was the jolt Charlton needed and within a minute they were level when Luton left-half **Dave Pacey** headed the ball past his own 'keeper, **Ron Baynham**.

Another header, this time from **Dennis Edwards**, soon put us in the lead and the same player scored our third nine minutes before the interval.

After the break, **Edwards** duly completed a fine "hat-trick" and Charlton's magnificent form continued with further goals coming from **Stuart Leary** and **Brian Kinsey** to give us a staggering 6-1 victory at Kenilworth.

It represented — and still does — our highest-ever away victory in the League and was also memorable for the fact that it took us off the bottom spot for the first time in months.

### FIRST DIVISION DEBUT

Season 1955/56 was not a particularly memorable season for Charlton; it was our thirteenth successive campaign in the First Division and we finished in a comfortable 14th position. In the Cup, although quoted as favourites to lift the Trophy by the bookies, we were beaten in the 5th Round, at The Valley, by Arsenal in front of a 71,767 crowd — a major disappointment when one considers we performed the "double" over The Gunners that season.

Our opening match of that season was against Luton (August 20, 1955) and for The Hatters it was a very important day in their history because they were making their debut in the First Division.

The attendance of 28,460, although moderate by our standards in those far-off days — in fact it was comfortably exceeded on eight occasions that season — it is to this day the highest "gate" to watch a Charlton v Luton fixture, at The Valley or at Kenilworth Road.

Luton got off to a good start and, appropriately, it was **Gordon Turner** — The Hatters all-time record scorer — who netted their first-ever Division One goal to give his team the lead after 31 minutes.

When **Stuart Leary** (our all-time record scorer) equalised (43 mins.) and new signing **Jimmy Gauld** opened his account (56 mins.) we looked good for the two points until **Peter MacEwan** ensured that Luton's big day would be a happy one by scoring a 70th minute equaliser. Luton did, however, have one late scare, when **Gauld** netted in the 81st minute but with **Billy Kiernan** straying offside, the final score was 2-2.

The line-ups and scorers in the above match were:

**CHARLTON** 2 (Leary, Gauld):- Bartram; Campbell, Townsend; Hewie, Ufton, Hammond; Hurst, Ayre, Leary, Gauld, Kiernan.

**LUTON** 2 (Turner, MacEwan):- Baynham; Dunne, Aherne; Morton, Owen, Shanks; Davies, Turner, MacEwan, Cummins, Taylor.



# SECOND OPINION

While wishing our supporters a happy, and prosperous New Year, I would also like to include in my greeting all 92 League clubs hoping that 1982 will bring some positive and much overdue, action from the football legislators in the introduction of new measures to bring some financial sanity back to our great game.

In acknowledging the fact that the sound running of its affairs is the responsibility of each individual club, surely much more is required at national level to modernise and streamline the industry.

Everyone has their own opinion, but when I hear of a transfer ceiling, paid directors, full time referees, regionalisation of the lower divisions of the Football League, and the vast amount of words which are written on these subjects, I wonder sometimes, is this the depth of our legislators' thinking?

Surely isn't it about time the football administrators got down to the nitty-gritty and considered employing the services of experts whose sole object is to investigate and recommend plans for improving the product — i.e. football — so that I, Mr. Supporter, will once again think it's the right thing to turn my back on counter attractions and make my way to a football stadium?

Improved public relations; more comfortable, and interesting, surroundings; civilised toilet arrangements; major sponsorship; wages related to income; less television and blanket radio coverage; a more intelligent compilation of the Football League fixture lists. All of these points are obvious subjects to carry out a detailed analysis on but I recognise the fact that it's not always the obvious that is the nub of the problem. I would be most interested to hear of your views on the subject — detailing your remedies.

### SHUT-OUT

Ignoring the possibility that some re-arranged games were staged during this week, the worst hit Second Division club, in terms of inactivity, are Derby County.

Up to last Saturday, the Rams had gone five weeks, and one day, without a League game (home or away) — their last game being against Cardiff City at Ninian Park on Friday, December 4th. Only one day better off than Derby were Cambridge, Crystal Palace, Newcastle, Rotherham, Sheffield Wednesday, Shrewsbury and Wrexham.

Up to the same period, our visitors Luton were one of seven Second Division clubs that had not staged a home League match since November 28th.

One club not short of home games is second placed Oldham! The Latics' lofty position in the Division could have something to do with the fact they have played four matches, with some success, in recent weeks compared with none by many clubs and also that their match last Saturday against Watford was their fifth successive match at Boundary Park where, of course, they have undersoil heating.

### SIX HITTERS GRIMSBY

One club for whom the long lay-off apparently did no harm was Grimsby. Before they met Millwall in an F.A. Cup match at The Den on January 5th, Grimsby had failed to win a match in their previous nine League and Cup matches.

At half-time at The Den, they were trailing 1-0, having missed several chances, but after the interval they took most of their opportunities to finally whip the Lions 6-1, thanks to goals from **BOB CUMMING** (2), **MIKE BROLLY**, **KEVIN DRINKELL** (2), and **TREVOR WHYMARK**.

It's the first time Grimsby have advanced to the Fourth Round since the 1972/73 season and manager **GEORGE KERR** who left the club on Monday, must have seen that

result as a confidence booster in his club's fight to get off bottom place in our Division.

They had the chance to jump three places above Wrexham, Bolton and Orient but in one of only two Second Division matches played last Saturday, they lost at home, 2-1, to the O's. Scorers in that match were **IAN MOORES** — his first League goal of the season — and **KEVIN GODFREY** for Orient with **JOE WATERS** providing a late consolation for The Mariners.

### DOUBLE-CENTURY HATTERS

Despite the introduction of the new points system this season, it will certainly represent a mighty performance for a club to reach a century of points, particularly in the First and Second Divisions where 42 games are played compared with 46 in the lower Divisions. Applying the new system to last year's results, West Ham, with 94 points, would have come closest in the First and Second. And remembering what a magnificent season the Hammers had, it just goes to emphasise the degree of difficulty for a club if it's to reach a century of points.

Unless something extra-ordinary occurs in the second half of the season, only one club, today's visitors, Luton, stand any chance of reaching the ton.

After 19 matches, they are averaging an incredible 2.3158 points per game which, if they kept up that high standard for a whole season, would net them approximately 98 points.

While aggregating those 44 points, Luton have made things easy for the mathematicians by scoring 44 goals which, of course, also puts them on course for a century of goals. League and Cup scorers at Kenilworth Road, up to, and including, January 2 were:-

**STEVE WHITE** (the Division's leading scorer) 14; **DAVE MOSS** 9 (including 7 penalties); **MAL DONAGH** and **BRIAN STEIN** 6; **MARK AIZLEWOOD** 3; **RICKY HILL** and **RADDY ANTIC** 2; **PASQUALLE FUCCILLO**, **CLIVE GOODYEAR**, **BRIAN HORTON**, **MIKE SAXBY** and o.g. (**DON McALLISTER**) 1 — total 47 goals.



## Division 2 League Table

Owing to up-to-date League tables not being available we are publishing a photograph in its place.



DEREK HALES

# FACTS & FIGURES 1981-82

Date	Opponents	Ground	F-A	Gate	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12
1981																
Aug. 29	Luton Town	A	0-3	8,776	J. Phillips	Naylor	Harrison	Gritt	McAllister	L. Phillips	Walker	Walsh	Hales	Landowne	Ferns	Smith
Sept. 2	Reading LC 1 (1L)	A	2-2	3,622	Johns	Naylor	Harrison	Gritt	McAllister	L. Phillips	Walker	Walsh	Hales 1	Landowne 1	Ferns	Robinson
Sept. 5	Blackburn Rovers	H	2-0	6,140	Johns	Naylor	Harrison	Smith *	McAllister 1	L. Phillips	Walker	Walsh 1	Hales	Landowne	Ferns	Robinson
Sept. 12	Crystal Palace	A	0-2	14,227	Johns	Naylor	Harrison	Elliott	McAllister	L. Phillips	Walker	Robinson	Hales	Landowne	Ferns	Dickenson
Sept. 16	Reading LC 1 (2L)	H	3-1	4,568	Johns	Naylor	Harrison *	Gritt	McAllister	L. Phillips	Elliott	Walsh	Hales 1	Landowne	Ferns	Robinson 1
Sept. 19	Grimsby Town	H	2-0	6,075	Johns	Naylor	Ferns	Gritt	McAllister	L. Phillips	Elliott	Walsh 2	Hales	Landowne	Robinson	Dickenson
Sept. 23	Chelsea	A	2-2	15,329	Johns	Naylor	Ferns	Gritt	McAllister	L. Phillips	Elliott	Walsh 2	Hales	Landowne	Robinson	Dickenson
Sept. 26	Wrexham	A	0-1	3,076	Johns	Naylor	Ferns	Gritt	McAllister	L. Phillips	Elliott	Walsh	Hales	Landowne	Robinson	Dickenson
Oct. 3	Derby County	H	2-1	6,686	Johns	Naylor	Ferns	Gritt	McAllister	L. Phillips	Elliott	Walsh	Hales 2	Landowne	Robinson	Madden
Oct. 7	Norwich City LC 2 (1L)	A	0-1	9,732	Johns	Naylor	Ferns	Gritt	McAllister	L. Phillips	Elliott	Walsh	Hales	Landowne	Robinson	Madden
Oct. 10	Shrewsbury Town	A	1-1	4,336	Johns	Naylor	Ferns *	Gritt	McAllister	L. Phillips	Elliott	Walsh	Hales 1	Landowne	Madden	Dickenson
Oct. 17	Sheffield Wednesday	H	3-0	8,258	Johns	Naylor	Dickenson	Gritt	McAllister	L. Phillips	Elliott	Walsh 2	Hales	Landowne *	Robinson 1	Madden
Oct. 20	Oldham Athletic	H	3-1	6,575	Johns	Naylor	Dickenson	Gritt	McAllister	L. Phillips	Elliott	Walsh	Hales	Landowne 1	Robinson	Madden
Oct. 25	Orient	A	1-1	8,265	Johns	Naylor	Dickenson	Gritt	McAllister	Phillips	Elliott 1	Walsh	Hales	Landowne	Robinson	Madden
Oct. 28	Norwich City LC 2 (2L)	H	0-1	7,366	Johns	Naylor	Dickenson	Gritt	McAllister	Phillips	Elliott	Walsh	Hales	Landowne *	Robinson	Madden
Oct. 31	Queens Park Rangers	H	1-2	11,133	Johns	Naylor	Dickenson	Gritt	McAllister	Phillips	Elliott	Walsh 1	Hales	Madden	Robinson	Ferns
Nov. 7	Leicester City	H	1-4	7,304	Johns	Naylor	Dickenson *	Gritt	McAllister	Phillips	Elliott	Walsh	Hales 1	Madden *	Robinson	Smith
Nov. 14	Newcastle United	A	1-4	15,200	Johns	Naylor	Ferns	Gritt	McAllister	Phillips	Elliott	Berry	Hales 1	Ambrose	Robinson	Dickenson
Nov. 21	Rotherham United (1)	A	1-2	7,177	Johns	Naylor	Ferns	Gritt *	McAllister	Phillips	Elliott	Berry	Hales 1	Ambrose 1	Robinson 1	Smith
Nov. 24	Chelsea	H	3-4	11,082	Johns	Naylor	Ferns	Smith 1	McAllister	Phillips	Elliott	Berry	Hales	Ambrose	Robinson	Dickenson
Nov. 28	Barnsley	H	2-1	5,563	Johns	Naylor	Ferns	Gritt	McAllister	Phillips	Elliott	Walsh	Hales 1	Berry	Robinson	Ambrose
Dec. 2	League Cup 4															
Dec. 5	Watford	A	2-2*	12,113	Johns	Naylor	Ferns	Smith	Madden *	Phillips	Elliott	Walsh	Hales 1	Berry	Robinson	Ambrose
Dec. 19	Bolton Wanderers	A	0-2	5,085	Johns	Naylor	Ferns	Smith	McAllister	Phillips	Elliott	Walsh	Hales	Berry	Robinson	Ambrose
Dec. 28	Cardiff City	A	1-0	7,879	Johns	Naylor *	Ferns	Gritt	McAllister	Phillips	Elliott	Walsh	Hales 1	Berry	Robinson	Elliott
Dec. 30	Norwich City	H	0-0	6,277	Johns	Naylor	Ferns	Gritt	McAllister	Phillips	Elliott	Walsh	Hales	Berry	Robinson	Elliott
1982																
Jan. 2	Orient (FAC)	A	0-1	8,267	Johns	Naylor	Ferns	Gritt	McAllister	Phillips	Elliott	Walsh	Hales	Berry	Robinson	Ambrose
Jan. 11	Blackburn Rovers	A														
Jan. 13	League Cup 5															
Jan. 16	Luton Town	H														
Jan. 23	Cambridge	H														
Jan. 30	Grimsby Town	A														
Feb. 3	League Cup SF 1															
Feb. 6	Crystal Palace	H														
Feb. 10	League Cup SF 2															
Feb. 13	Derby County (5)	A														
Feb. 20	Wrexham	H														
Feb. 27	Shrewsbury Town	H														
Mar. 6	Sheffield Wednesday (6)	A														
Mar. 13	Orient (LCF)	H														
Mar. 20	Queens Park Rangers	A														
Mar. 27	Leicester City	A														
April 3	Newcastle United (SF)	H														
April 9																
April 10	Norwich City	A														
April 12																
April 13	Cardiff City	H														
April 17	Rotherham United	H														
April 24	Barnsley	A														
May 1	Watford	H														
May 4	Oldham Athletic	A														
May 8	Cambridge United	A														
May 15	Bolton Wanderers	H														
May 22	F.A. Cup Final															

\* Substitution. \* Own goal.

## Half-Time Scores

- A Bolton Wanderers v Chelsea
- B Cambridge United v Crystal Palace
- C Cardiff City v Oldham Athletic
- D Leicester City v Grimsby Town
- E Norwich City v Rotherham United
- F Orient v Derby County
- G Queen's Park Rangers v Wrexham
- H Sheffield Wednesday v Blackburn Rovers
- J Shrewsbury Town v Barnsley
- K Watford v Newcastle United
- L Brighton & Hove Albion v West Ham United
- M Liverpool v Wolverhampton Wanderers
- N Southampton v Nottingham Forest
- P Tottenham Hotspur v Middlesbrough
- Q Chesterfield v Millwall
- R Lincoln City v Gillingham
- S Reading v Fulham
- T Wimbledon v Carlisle United

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## BY CAR TO GRIMSBY TOWN

Take M1 to Junction 21 and then the A46 towards Leicester. Watch for A5125 and follow until it becomes the A5131. This brings you back on the A46 which you follow through via Newark, Lincoln, Market Rasen and Caistor. The A18 then takes you through to last stages of journey. Still on A18, go across Nun's Corner Roundabout into Weelsby Road. Further along, having crossed another roundabout into Clee Road, take third turning on left into Brereton Avenue. Go over crossroads a little way along and take second turning on right into Blundell Avenue. The Ground is on the corner of Blundell Avenue and Harrington Street.

## Coming to the Valley

Tues. 19.1.82 WIMBLEDON MWFL 2.00 pm  
Thurs. 21.1.82 BIRMINGHAM SJFLC3 7.30 pm  
Poss. replay

Sat. 23.1.82 CAMBRIDGE UNITED FL Div 2 3.00 pm

## Mid-Week League

Tues. Sept. 8 GILLINGHAM ..... H 3-2  
Wed. Sept. 16 Gillingham ..... A 2-1  
Tues. Sept. 22 MILLWALL ..... H 0-1  
Tues. Oct. 6 Gillingham ..... A 1-1  
Tues. Oct. 13 PETERBOROUGH UNITED ..... H 0-1  
Fri. Oct. 23 GILLINGHAM LC replay ..... H 1-3  
Thurs. Oct. 29 BRIGHTON ..... H 4-0  
Thurs. Nov. 12 PORTSMOUTH ..... H 3-1  
Tues. Nov. 17 BRENTFORD ..... H 1-0  
Tues. Dec. 1 NORTHAMPTON TOWN ..... H 3-4  
Tues. Dec. 8 Exeter City ..... A Post.  
Tues. Dec. 15 CAMBRIDGE UNITED ..... H Post.  
Mon. Dec. 21 Peterborough United ..... A Post.  
Tues. Jan. 5 ALDERSHOT ..... H 2-0  
Tues. Jan. 12 Millwall ..... A Post.  
Tues. Jan. 19 WIMBLEDON ..... H .....  
Tues. Jan. 26 BOURNEMOUTH ..... H .....  
Tues. Feb. 2 Aldershot ..... A .....  
Wed. Feb. 16 Southend United ..... H .....  
Tues. Feb. 24 Portsmouth ..... A .....  
Tues. Mar. 2 Brighton and Hove Albion ..... A .....  
Tues. Mar. 9 EXETER CITY ..... H .....  
Wed. Mar. 17 Southend United ..... A .....  
Tues. Mar. 30 Wimbledon ..... A .....  
Tues. Apr. 13 Cambridge United ..... A .....  
Tues. Apr. 20 Brentford ..... A .....

## MIDWEEK FOOTBALL LEAGUE TABLE

Up to and including  
Thursday, 7th January 1982

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Gillingham	14	6	3	5	34	21	21
Millwall	11	5	5	1	16	10	20
Portsmouth	11	5	4	2	18	17	19
Brighton & Hove A.	12	6	1	5	14	15	19
CHARLTON ATH.	9	6	0	3	18	10	18
Cambridge United	8	5	2	1	15	9	17
Brentford	11	4	1	6	18	19	13
Southend United	10	3	2	5	15	17	11
Peterborough United	10	3	1	6	13	16	10
Wimbledon	8	2	3	3	11	12	9
Exeter City	7	2	3	2	8	8	9
Aldershot	7	2	1	4	6	10	7
Northampton Town	6	2	1	3	8	11	7
Bournemouth	10	1	3	6	12	31	6

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## Man in the Middle

TONY R. GLASSON (Salisbury, Wiltshire)  
Commenced refereeing whilst serving in Cyprus in 1958, and via Wiltshire and Western Leagues was appointed to Football League line and through to the full list in 1973. Has refereed two F.A. Amateur Cup Quarter-Finals, was a linesman in the Anglo-Italian Cup and European Championship – Belgium v. France in 1974. Reserve official in 1978 for the England v. Italy International. Refereed Chelsea's match against New York Cosmos and Moscow Dynamos, and the 1981 Jersey Cup Final.



# TEAM CHECK

## Charlton Athletic

Colours: Red Shirts, White Shorts.

1 Nicky Johns

2 Terry Naylor

3 Phil Ferns

4 Steve Gritt

5 Don McAllister

6 Leighton Phillips

7 Bill Lansdowne

8 Paul Walsh

9 Derek Hales

10 Les Berry

11 Martin Robinson

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## OFFICIALS

REFEREE: A.R. GLASSON (Wiltshire)

LINESMEN:

R.B. BANNING (Hampshire) — Red Flag

M. TOPPING (Hampshire) — Yellow Flag

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## Luton

Colours: Tangerine and Black

1 Jake Findlay

2 Kirk Stephens

3 Mark Hazelwood

4 Brian Horton

5 Clive Goodyear

6 Mal Donaghy

7 Ricky Hill

8 Brian Stein

9 Steve White

10 Lil Fuccillo

11 David Moss

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