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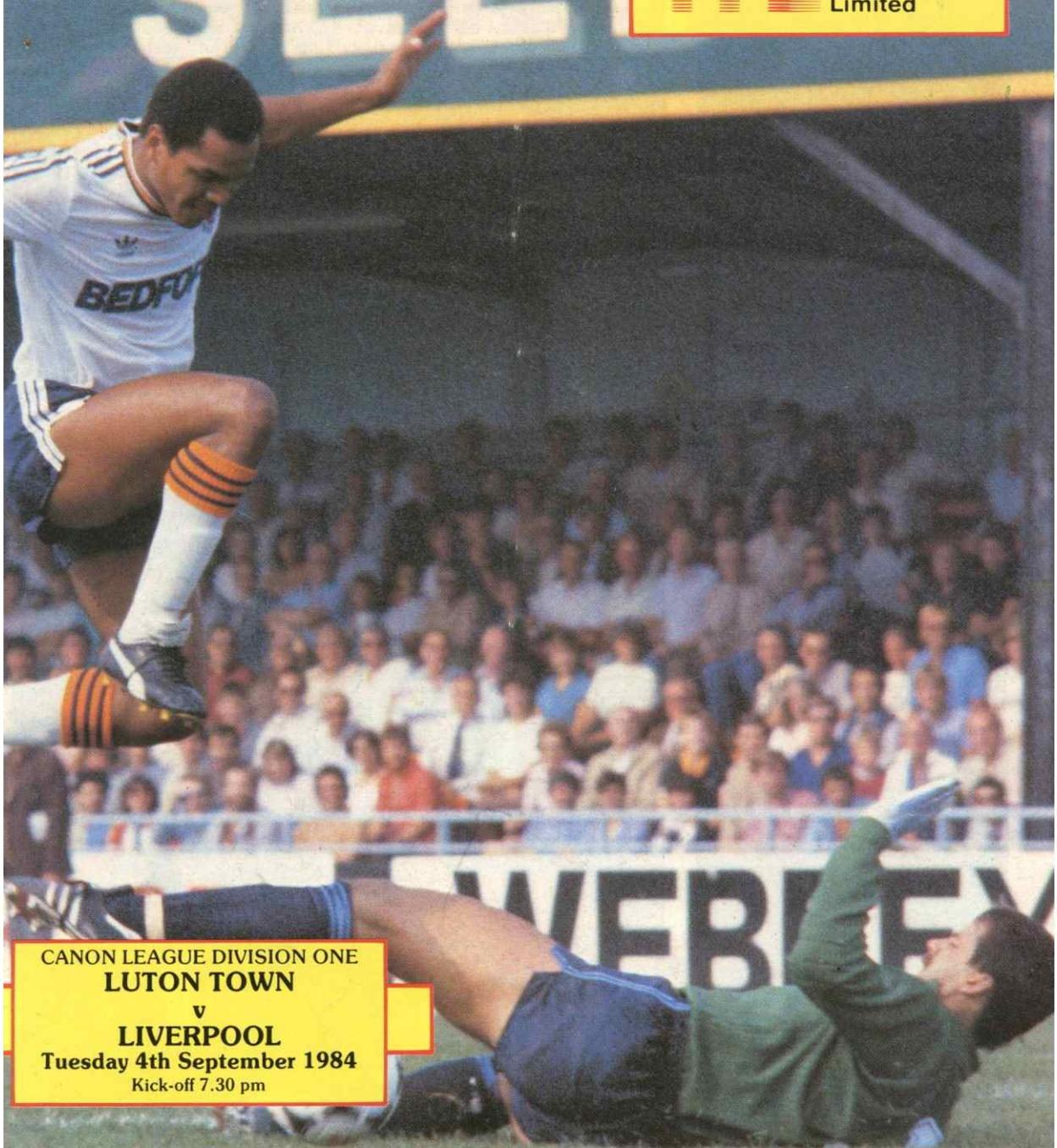
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**LUTON TOWN**

# ACTION REPLAY



## LUTON 2 STOKE 0

**Above:** Brian Stein in fine form, as he moves with ease in to the 'area'.

**Below:** Frank Bunn moves in to a front position, as the pace heats up.

**Right:** Stoke defenders treat David Moss with caution in the area.



Pictures by Gareth Owen



Welcome to the most successful club in the country. The reason for their continued winning results is not only a talented management team, but an off the field administration second to none. When we met their chairman, Mr John Smith, and their chief executive, Mr Peter Robinson, to discuss the Paul Walsh transfer, I realised they were the most efficient club in the country. We all hope Paul Walsh does well at Anfield, but hopefully not too well this evening!

Our coaching staff's work in pre-season has been justified with a steady disciplined start to our League programme. No one who saw our opener here against Stoke could have been disappointed with either the skill or the effort of our players. I am always reluctant to mention individuals, but feel a word of praise for young centre-half Stacey North is justified. With Paul Elliott's suspension and an offer on the table from Plymouth for Clive Goodyear prior to the Stoke game,

see such good team spirit at Ipswich — after falling behind to a debatable goal, we plugged away without ever losing heart. It was a tough baptism for the four teenagers, Andy Dibble, Mitchell Thomas, Stacey North and Tim Breacker, but they all showed the character required. The equaliser was just reward for our efforts.

We also had a highly significant result at Combination level. It was John Moore's first game in charge at Swansea and the players responded in tremendous style. Knocks to Mark Stein and Vince Hilaire ment we played the last 20 minutes with 10 men. Having taken a 5-1 interval lead, we survived this handicap to finish 7-2 winners. Emeka Nwajobi scored four goals. Others to hit the net were Gary Parker, Mark North and Gary Cobb.

Sixteen-year-old Gary Cobb had joined the club as an apprentice the previous day. He is a Dunstable lad, and we all wish him well. It cer-



# WELCOME

an important decision had to be taken.

We wish Clive every success at Plymouth. At 23, he can now make his way in the game as a regular first team player. His efforts for Luton were always 100 per cent and he leaves with the satisfaction of a Second Division Championship medal.

Luton boy Stacey North came through the Stoke game with flying colours, and continued his sound start at Ipswich. It was pleasing to

tainly was a good way to start — a goal on his debut for the Reserves.

It was pleasing to see and hear the 'away' support at Ipswich. I am sure the players responded to that vocal encouragement. Keep up the good work.

Finally, I am happy to record that there was no trouble on the terraces during our home game with Stoke City. The game was played in good spirit, and this was reflected by the sportsmanship on the terraces. Long may it continue!

We know tonight we shall have no problems. Let us hope all the Liverpool and Luton supporters and any neutrals have a great evening's entertainment.

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Now that most Division clubs have played two matches, two clubs have come through unscathed. They are Newcastle United now managed by former England centre-half Jack Charlton, and Aston Villa managed by Graham Turner.

The Geordies with a 3-2 win at Leicester and a 2-1 win over promotion colleagues Sheffield Wednesday must have had big Jack in jubilant mood.

Villa who started by beating Coventry at Villa Park 1-0 followed that by winning 3-1 at Stoke City and Mark Walters showed the fans what skill he has by scoring two of the three goals.

Tottenham started the season with a fine 4-1 victory against the Charity Shield and FA Cup winners Everton at Goodison Park, but was only able to manage a 2-2 draw with Leicester City on Bank Holiday Monday. Graham Roberts got both the Spurs goals and then ran into trouble with his manager, Peter Shreeves, for some of his robust tackling.

The Tottenham manager is quoted as saying that Graham must realise that Spurs cannot afford to lose key players through suspension.

Glenn Hoddle and Ossie Ardiles are still injured and new signings John Chiedozie and Clive Allen are fitting in well.

Chelsea have also started well on and off the field. All eyes were on the supporters' behaviour at Arsenal on the opening day and to their credit they behaved themselves perfectly. The team responded well by drawing 1-1 with the Gunners and then beat Sunderland 1-0.

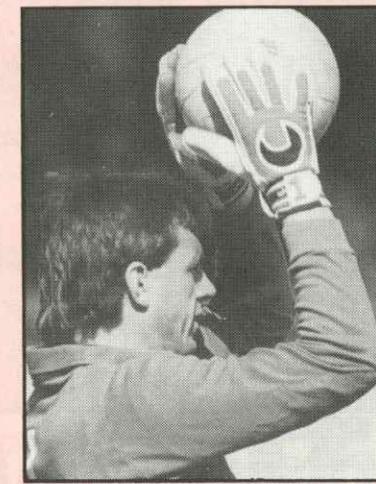
Favourites Liverpool were held to a 3-3 draw at Norwich thanks to a last minute penalty from Mick Channon; followed by a win against



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GRAHAM ROBERTS

West Ham at Anfield, Paul Walsh scoring his first for the club after only 15 seconds.

Surely the surprise team must be the mighty Manchester United. Playing in front of the League's biggest attendance 53,668, they were held to a 1-1 draw against Watford. Manager Ron Atkinson looked very much on edge at the Press Conference after the game and would not be drawn on his teams' performance.

In contrast the Hornets' manager, Graham Taylor, was cock-a-hoop at the result and was quoted as saying 'Justice was done, we deserved a draw.'

Queens Park Rangers began with a fine 3-1 win over West Brom with Simon Stainrod getting two of their goals, but new manager, Alan Mullery, wasn't too happy. 'It was a good start' he said 'but we had a 20 minute spell when we lost our way and they might have got a couple of goals back.' Their second match saw them draw 1-1 with Watford at Vicarage Road. Some quotes from other managers make interesting reading: Lawrie McMenemy of Southampton said his side were kicked up the backside after their defeat at Sunderland and then went on to say that he sensed a new spirit at Roker Park. Villa manager, Graham Turner, wasn't pleased with the team victory over Coventry. 'One result doesn't change anything,' he said. Don Howe at Arsenal said that his players were messing about against Chelsea and attitudes must change. West Ham manager, John Lyall, said that 'It was trials and tribulation for us. We are trying to construct a new side and at times the nervousness showed.' That was after their home match against Ipswich. The best quote of all came from the Ipswich match where one person who will not be named said of Paul Cooper 'he caught the ball better than any of the English cricketers.'

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# ACTION

# REPLAY

## IPSWICH 1 LUTON 1

Our first away game this season, earned a welcome point against an Ipswich side, who were determined to make their mark after a poor start. Hatters fans saw Luton begin to turn on their true form in the second-half, and to be rewarded with a goal from David Moss.

- 1 Stacey North gets a hold of the First Division, in front of a huge crowd at Portland Road.
- 2 Paul Cooper reaches to snatch the ball, before striker Steve Elliott, can make contact.
- 3 With only 10 minutes to play, number 11, David Moss turns after scoring the vital equaliser.
- 4 A hectic opening five minutes, produces some unusual tackling.

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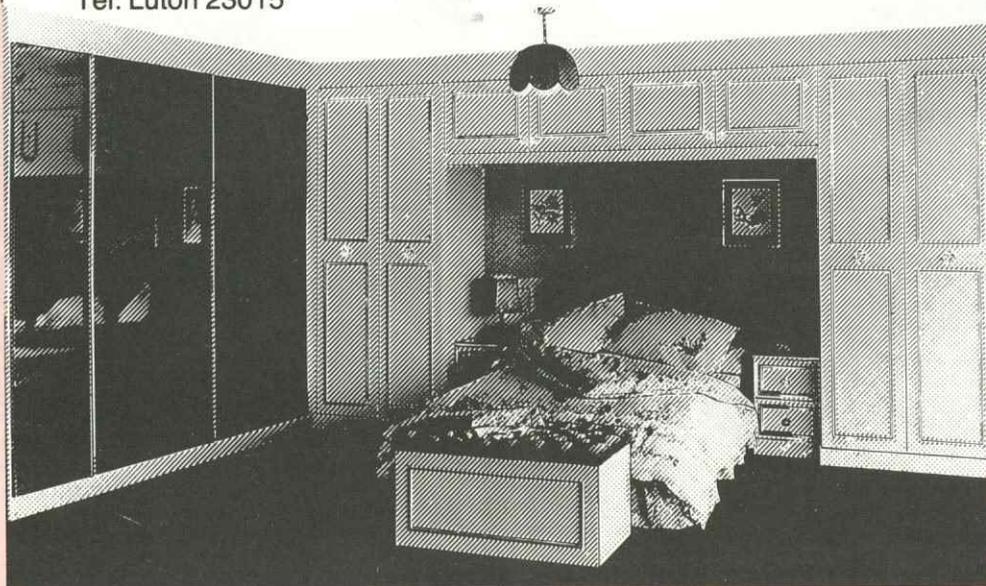
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**ANDREW JEEVES, Dunstable, (age 11).**  
Dear Ricky Hill. On 25th August my Dad and I went to the Luton v Stoke City match. We went to the Junior Hatters enclosure and found that we could not get in.

I do not think you should have changed the ground because some of the younger Junior Hatters can't see a thing in the other stands, and their Mum or Dad might not be able to pay the money for a season ticket. Last season they were all able to see the game without any trouble.

**EDITOR:** Thank you Andrew for your constructive comments, may be other Junior Hatters feel the same. However we have made provisions for those Juniors who cannot afford a season ticket. Tickets for the Junior Hatters enclosure can be obtained two weeks prior to each match from the ticket office priced at £2 for Juniors — £3 for accompanying adult. Hope to see you in the Junior Hatters enclosure again soon.

**SAUL MACH, Bromham.**  
Dear Mr Tomlins. It is with regret I am writing to you to cancel my membership of the Junior Hatter club. It is because my family and I are leaving for New Zealand in September. I wondered if it would be at all possible before I leave could I have an autographed picture of the team to take with me would you also say to the team thank you very much for all the good football and entertainment they have given me when I have been with my Dad. Trusting you have a great season.

P.S. I saw Luton Town Reserves beat Bromham United 10-1 — it was an easy victory. I enjoyed the match alot.  
**EDITOR:** Photo on the way Saul thank you for your past support we all at Luton wish you and your family well in your new home in New Zealand.

**TONY MARTIN, The Football Association Coaching Representative (Hertfordshire).**

Dear David. I would be grateful if you would again pass on the thanks of the FA and Hitchin Town Football Club to your three players — Jake Findlay, Brian Stein and David Moss — for giving their time to visit the 'Bobby Robson Soccer Fun Week' held last week at the Hitchin Town ground. All the youngsters appreciated very much the chance to watch these players go through their paces, pass on tips and sign autographs. The week as a whole was a great success, aided in no small way by the support of your club and players at the end. Thanks again, and very best wishes for the coming season.

P.S. My regards to Trevor Hartley — remind him of the times he used to pick me up to take us training at Chadwell Heath!

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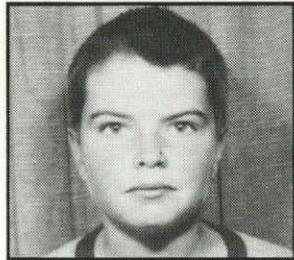
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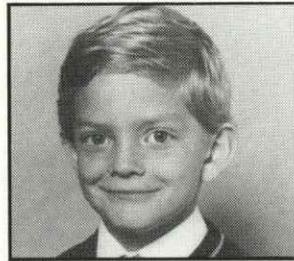
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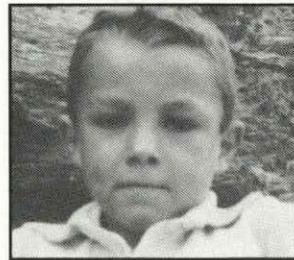
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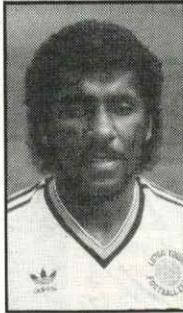
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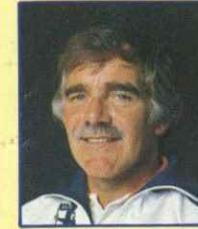
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**Team:** Findlay, Doughty, Ellisdon, McEvoy, North M., Daniel, Parker, Nwajiobi, Stein M., Oldfield, Hilaire,  
**Substitute:** Cobb.  
**Scorers:** Nwajiobi 4, North M., Parker, Cobb.

The game started at a hectic pace and for the first 15 minutes, Swansea had slightly the better of the openings created.

Fate took a hand when young Mark Stein went over on his ankle and had to go off. Mark has not had the best of luck recently, as he has been injured most of the pre-season and has yet to complete 90 minutes of football. During the next five minutes we scored four times to go into a decisive lead. So by the time we got our substitute on we were well on top. Swansea pulled

back a goal when we failed to clear a corner. However our game picked up again and we managed to score once more before half-time to go in leading 5-1.

12 minutes into the second half we sustained another injury and Vince Hilaire was

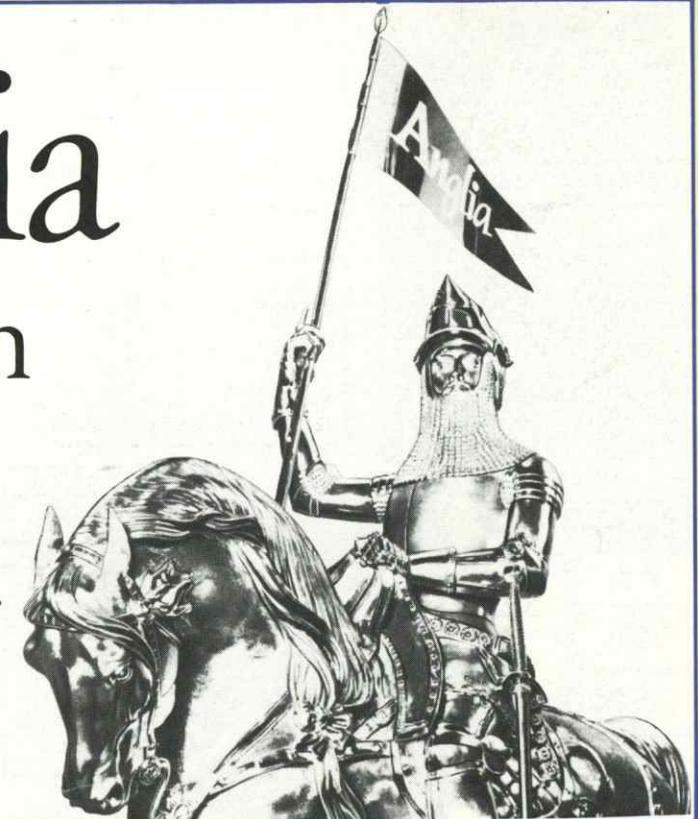
forced to leave the field. This seemed to spur us on and we put together a good combination of passes, finishing with a very good shot for our sixth goal. We were starting to tire in the heat but continued to carry the game which enabled us to snatch our seventh goal after 68 minutes.

This was a fantastic result considering we played for 40 minutes with only 10 men, four of the squad were under 17, two of whom were making their combination debut.

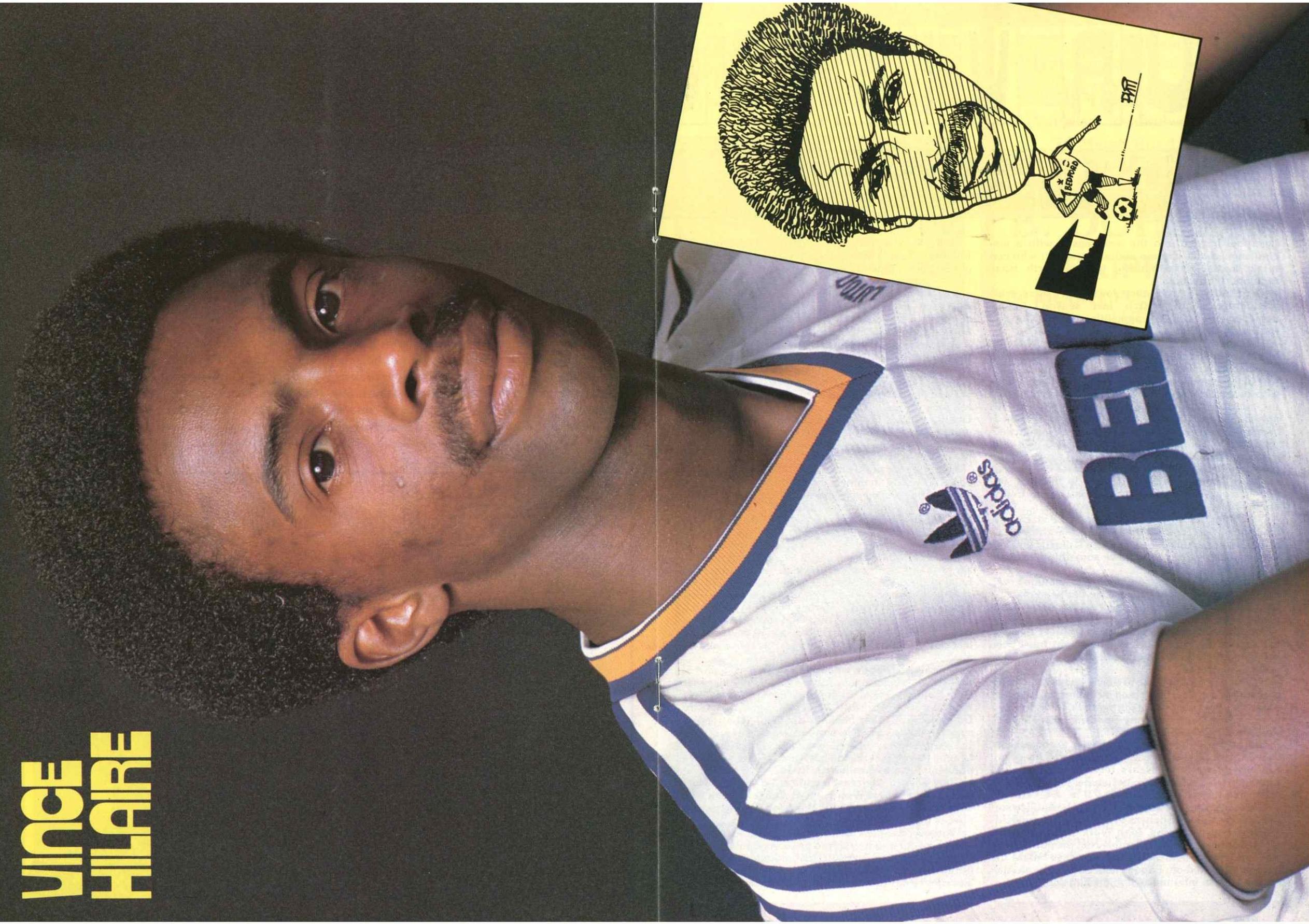
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# OUR VISITORS



## LIVERPOOL



Liverpool headed into the new season with a new challenge, a new captain and a new striker who certainly needs no introducing to Kenilworth Road regulars this evening!

The challenge confronting Joe Fagan's Merseyside aristocrats is to match last season's treble achievements . . . the League title, the Milk Cup and the European Cup.

The new skipper is England full-back Phil Neal who has taken over as captain from Graeme Souness, now settling into Italian football with Sampdoria.

And Liverpool's new front runner is Paul Walsh who moved on from Luton during the early part of the summer and made his domestic debut for his new club in the Charity Shield game with Everton at Wembley a week before the League season kicked-off. Not a bad place to start a career with a new club!

Liverpool chase a fourth successive League Championship this season and despite the loss of Souness, such an inspirational driving force in midfield, few people would bet against the Canon League trophy ending up at Anfield once more next May.

New skipper Phil Neal appreciates the size of the task facing the Reds in the coming months. 'We've got to realise that last season was a fantastic one and that we can't expect to achieve something like that every time.

'But there's no reason why we shouldn't win another trophy or two because we have the players, the coaches and the experience. We know what needs to be done.'

And that warning note will send a shiver through the rest of the First Division who might have been thinking Liverpool's remarkable run of success was coming to an end.

Neal follows a long line of players with impressive credentials who've one thing in common, they all picked up the League title during their spells as skipper . . . Ron Yeats, Tommy Smith, Emlyn Hughes, Phil Thompson and Souness.

But defeat in the traditional opener to the season, the Charity Shield meeting with Everton, was not the best of starts for Neal's reign as captain. And manager Joe Fagan did not mince his words in criticising his team afterwards.

Going into the new season Liverpool had still to sort out how to replace Souness in the centre of midfield.

Former Ipswich man John Wark shared the role alongside Steve Nicol at Wembley but the partnership was not entirely convincing and two days before the campaign kicked-off, Fagan clinched a deal with Ajax for the Danish international midfielder Jan Molby.

With Kenny Dalglish, Sammy Lee and the Irishman Ronnie Whelan always capable of scoring goals from midfield there's no shortage of power there, particularly once the Champions settle the central position although one man missing from this area over the early weeks of the season is Craig Johnston who is currently in Australia with his wife awaiting the birth of their first child.

Another star name missing from their line-up is that of striker Ian Rush, scorer of 32 League goals last season and winner of just about every individual player's award there was going last season.

Rush started the new season on the sidelines after a knock on his left knee in a pre-season friendly in Dublin. There's the possibility that the Welsh international may have to undergo a cartilage operation and that could mean a 10-week delay to the start of his link up with Paul Walsh.

There are no problems at the back for the Champions. On duty tonight is likely to be the defensive line-up that played together in all but one of Liverpool's League matches last season.

Bruce Grobbelaar has earned himself a reputation as one of the game's characters but that does not hide the fact that he is an outstanding goalkeeper although he will want to forget the unique record he set at Wembley a few weeks ago when his own goal handed the Charity Shield to arch rivals Everton.

Neal at number two, fellow England full-back Alan Kennedy at three with Mark Lawrenson and Alan Hansen at the centre of the back four completes a defence that had the First Division's meanest record last year . . . only 12 goals conceded at home and 20 away.

Experienced names who will be very much a part of the Anfield squad again this season are goalkeeper Bob Bolder, signed from Sheffield Wednesday 16 months ago; Scottish Under-21 defender Gary Gillespie and striker Michael Robinson who reports suggested had asked for a move last week.

Liverpool were beaten only four times on their League travels last season but were held to a goalless draw by Town at Kenilworth Road.

They opened the season with a 3-3 draw at Norwich and then beat West Ham at Anfield a week ago with two goals from John Wark and a 16-second opener from Paul Walsh.

Whatever happens in the coming months it is going to take an outstanding side to prise the Canon League trophy away from Anfield. The bookmakers for one, firmly believe Liverpool can make it four in a row . . . and they're not usually too far from the mark.



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# BACKTRACK

## IPSWICH TOWN v LUTON TOWN SCORE 1 - 1

Luton's first away fixture of the season saw them visit Portman Road, Ipswich, where both clubs paraded their new strips. From the kick-off, Luton attacked. A long ball from Ashley Grimes was headed on by Steve Elliott, and Brian Stein challenged the Ipswich goalkeeper, Cooper, for the ball.

The ball ran loose and Butcher appeared to handle in the resulting scramble. Ipswich countered, and went ahead after two minutes, when Eric Gates latched on to Butcher's through-ball, raced on and scored comfortably. Ipswich were now in full flight with Gates lively and after 23 minutes he completely outwitted the Luton defence with a pass to Mick d'Avray and his shot was cleared off the line by Mitchell Thomas.

Goalkeeper Dibble then made a fine one handed save from O'Callaghan who shot from 20 yards. Luton had considerable possession without penetrating Ipswich's international back-four.

The second half saw Gates and d'Avray again go close as they dominated the first quarter of the half, and Luton were relying on the counter-attack. Luton brought on substitute Emeka Nwajiobi, replacing Frank Bunn, and straight away used a 4-2-4 formation. This took the home side completely by surprise, and Luton came into the game strongly, building some fine attacks. Luton equalised with a goal from David Moss. With 10 minutes remaining a long throw from Stacey North near the right-wing corner flag was headed on by Nwajiobi and Moss hit a right-footed drive from 10 yards past Paul Cooper. Luton now began to dominate the play, but Ipswich came strong again towards the end, and again Dibble made a fine save from d'Avray in the last few minutes.

In the end, Luton were well worth a point in this skilful game which gave the crowd good value. The team play and spirit of our young team was the important factor in gaining a good 'away' point.

### TEAMS:

**Ipswich Town** — Cooper, Burley, McCall, Zondervan, Osman, Butcher, Putney, Brennan, d'Avray, O'Callaghan, Gates.

**Luton Town** — Dibble, Thomas, Grimes, Breacker, S. North, Donaghy, Hill, B. Stein, S. Elliott, Bunn, Moss.  
Substitute: Nwajiobi (for Bunn 36 minutes).

Attendance: 15,331.

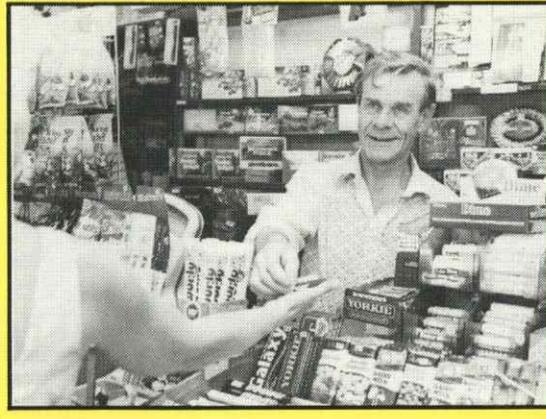
# WHERE ARE THEY NOW WALLY SHANKS



Wally Shanks joined Luton Town in 1946 on the recommendation of Joe Payne after Chelsea released him. He stayed at Kenilworth Road for 12 solid seasons. Originally an outside-right Scottish-born Wally went on to play 266 games for the Town.

When his playing days were over he went into business with the late Gordon Turner to form a partnership in the sports wear trade under the name of Shanks and Turner. After many successful years of trading the partnership split up and Wally is now in the confectionary trade running his own shop The Brown Owl opposite the Luton and Dunstable Hospital in Dunstable Road. He still manages to get to Kenilworth Road to watch the odd game or two but admits that he would rather be out there playing.

Wally is pictured here as he was in his playing days and as now serving in his shop.



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# AROUND THE TOWN

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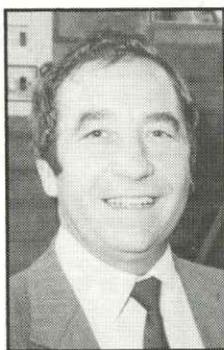
Since the end of last season, the club were delighted to have created two new Honorary Vice-Presidents. This honour is bestowed for outstanding service rendered to the football club.



The recipients were:

Mr Eric Fountain, director of Vauxhall Motors, former player and lifelong supporter of the club. Our picture shows Eric who has obviously a good eye for figures receiving his prize for guessing our Luton Striker Tracey's weight at Bedford's match sponsorship.

Mr Terry Bailey, chairman of Wallspan Fitted Furniture, also former player and lifelong supporter of the club pictured above.



We thank both for their keen and active involvement with the club, and the services they continue to render.

## MATCH SPONSOR

We are delighted to welcome tonight's match sponsors Information Technology Limited a company whose attributes include prophetic vision which decided them to sponsor us tonight following their programming systems selection of Luton Town as a team for the future.

Information Technology Limited is a leading UK manufacturer of information management systems, computers and computer network products. ITL was previously the holding company for three wholly owned subsidiaries, including CTL of Hemel Hempstead where ITL currently employs about 330 people, many of whom live in the Luton area. CTL and the other subsidiaries merged to trade as ITL in April this year.

ITL is a British company, which employs approximately 650 staff and has grown over the last three years at a compound rate of over 40 per cent per year. This year it recorded record profits of £1 million, record turnover of £25 million combined with record orders of £9 million.

ITL products combine advanced word processing and office automation, data communications and local area networking with exceptionally advanced and powerful computing capability. All European Space Agency satellites are checked out during construction by ITL Momentum computers built at Hemel Hempstead, and improved satellite launching systems built in Europe for the American Space Shuttle also use ITL computer during construction.

We hope that ITL's management team and their guests have an enjoyable evening.

## NEW CAPTAIN

Our picture shows our new captain Mal Donaghy presenting Colin Stringer guest of our Match Sponsors Bedford Trucks with his autographed football. Colin guessed the correct result in our match forecast competition.



## THANK YOU TO BEDFORD TRUCKS

Our picture shows David Pleat taking time out in his busy match preparations to present Mr Des Savage, sales director of Bedford with a framed autographed team shirt commemorating their match sponsorship against Stoke City.



## FIRST PRE-SEASON DINNER

Our first ever pre-season Members Dinner held in our Joe Payne Lounge provided our Executive Club members the opportunity to meet and socialise with the club's players, officials, manager and coaching staff. Guest speaker pictured below was ex-Yorkshire and MCC cricketer Mike Cowan. The evening was a huge success both as a fund-raiser and a social event.



## A WARM WELCOME

A warm welcome to Ron Howard who joined David Pleat's essential backroom staff in the closed season as chief scout. Ron played soccer at amateur level, unfortunately two bad injuries put pay to his hopes of a professional career.

However as Class I referee and his early background, coaching London schoolboys, made him an automatic target to join Queens Park Rangers under Gordon Jago. As chief scout at QPR he worked with several notable managers — Dave Sexton, Tommy Docherty, Les Allen, Frank Sibley — before moving to Cambridge United some six years ago. We would like to add our best wishes to David Pleat's introduction to Ron in our Stoke programme and wish Ron a long and successful stay with Luton Town.



## UNRIVALLED FOOTBALL COVERAGE

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# LUTON NEWS

THURSDAY 14p

# Welcome back to the Canon League.



The 1984/85 season is the second season in Canon's three year Sponsorship of the Football League programme.

Canon's outstanding success in the high technology industry of cameras and business machines has enabled them to support our national game by over £3 million through the Canon League Sponsorship programme.

The Sponsorship Funds will be utilised to help football clubs keep admission prices down, encourage exciting attacking football with monthly and seasonal goalscoring awards, provide recognition to those clubs doing most to promote family attendances at Canon League matches and to reward individuals within football with Loyalty awards.

In the first Canon League 1983/84 season, the beautiful Trophies above – specially created by Garrard, the Crown Jewellers – were won by Liverpool, Chelsea, Oxford Utd., and York City. This season, all 92 League clubs will compete for these most prestigious trophies in the toughest football competition in the world – The Canon League.

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Hard working Ricky Hill passes the defence at Portland Road.



Terry Butcher and Steve Elliott, wait in anticipation of a long cross.

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# RECORD

## FIRST TEAM RESULTS

Date	V	Opposition	F	A	Att	Pos
Aug 25	H	Stoke City	2-0	8,626	—	
Aug 28	A	Ipswich Town	1-1	15,331	—	
Sept 1	A	West Bromwich Albion				
Sept 4	H	Liverpool				
Sept 8	H	Southampton				
Sept 16	A	Nottingham Forest				
Sept 22	H	Chelsea				
Sept 26		(MC2 1st Leg)				
Sept 29	A	Tottenham Hotspur				
Oct 6	A	Queens Park Rangers				
Oct 10		(MC2 2nd Leg)				
Oct 13	H	Sheffield Wednesday				
Oct 20	H	Watford				
Oct 27	A	Sunderland				
Oct 31		(MC3)				
Nov 3	H	Newcastle United				
Nov 10	A	Norwich City				
Nov 17	A	Manchester United				
Nov 21		(MC4)				
Nov 24	H	West Ham United				
Dec 1	A	Arsenal				
Dec 8	H	Aston Villa				
Dec 15	A	Leicester City				
Dec 18	H	West Bromwich Albion				
Dec 26	H	Coventry City				
Dec 29	A	Liverpool				
Jan 1	A	Everton				
Jan 5		(FAC 3)				
Jan 12	H	Nottingham Forest				
Jan 16		(MC5)				
Jan 19	A	Stoke City				
Jan 26		(FAC 4)				
Feb 2	H	Tottenham Hotspur				
Feb 6		(MC SF 1st Leg)				
Feb 9	A	Southampton				
Feb 13		(MC SF 2nd Leg)				
Feb 16	H	Norwich City (FAC 5)				
Feb 23	A	Newcastle United				
Mar 2	H	Sunderland				
Mar 9	A	Watford (FAC 6)				
Mar 16	A	Sheffield Wednesday				
Mar 23	H	Queens Park Rangers				
Mar 24		(MC Final)				
Mar 30	H	Ipswich Town				
April 6	A	Coventry City				
April 9	H	Everton				
April 13	A	Chelsea (FAC SF)				
April 20	H	Manchester United				
April 27	A	West Ham United				
May 4	H	Arsenal				
May 6	A	Aston Villa				
May 11	H	Leicester City				

## 1984-85 RESULTS · ATTENDANCES · APPEARANCES · GOALSCORERS

	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12
Dibble	Thomas	Grimes	Breacker	North S	Donaghy	Hill	Stein B	Elliott S <sup>1</sup>	Bunn <sup>1</sup>	Moss	Turner	
Dibble	Thomas	Grimes	Breacker	North S	Donaghy	Hill	Stein B	Elliott S	Bunn +	Moss <sup>1</sup>	Nwajobi	

## FOOTBALL COMBINATION FIXTURES 1984-85

Date	Opposition	F	A
Aug 25	Swansea	7	2
Sept 1	Tottenham		
Sept 4	Birmingham		
Sept 11	Brighton		
Sept 15	Southampton		
Sept 22	Oxford		
Sept 29	Charlton		
Oct 2	Chelsea		
Oct 6	Norwich		
Oct 9	QPR		
Oct 17	Reading		
Oct 27	Fulham		
Oct 30	Crystal Palace		
Nov 10	Bristol Rovers		
Nov 17	Ipswich		
Nov 24	Watford		
Nov 27	Portsmouth		
Dec 1	Swindon		
Dec 8	West Ham		
Dec 15	Arsenal		
Dec 19	Millwall		
Jan 12	Tottenham		
Jan 15	Swansea		
Jan 19	Birmingham		
Jan 22	Brighton		
Feb 2	Southampton		
Feb 9	Oxford		
Feb 12	Charlton		
Feb 19	Chelsea		
Feb 23	Crystal Palace		
Feb 27	Bristol Rovers		
Mar 5	Fulham		
Mar 9	Reading		
Mar 16	QPR		
Mar 20	Norwich		
Mar 26	West Ham		
Mar 30	Portsmouth		
April 13	Watford		
April 16	Swindon		
April 23	Ipswich		
April 27	Millwall		
May 11	Arsenal		

## FINAL CANON LEAGUE DIVISION ONE 1983-84

	Home					Away					Pts	
	P	W	D	L	F	A	W	D	L	F		A
Liverpool	42	14	5	2	50	12	8	9	4	23	20	80
Southampton	42	15	4	2	44	17	7	7	7	22	21	77
Nottingham Forest	42	14	4	3	47	17	8	4	9	29	28	74
Manchester United	42	14	3	4	43	18	6	11	4	28	23	74
QPR	42	14	4	3	37	12	8	3	10	30	25	73
Arsenal	42	10	5	6	41	29	8	4	9	33	31	63
Everton	42	9	9	3	21	12	7	5	9	23	30	62
Tottenham	42	11	4	6	31	24	6	6	9	33	41	61
West Ham United	42	10	4	7	39	24	7	5	9	21	31	60
Aston Villa	42	14	3	4	34	22	3	6	12	25	39	60
Watford	42	9	7	5	36	31	7	2	12	32	46	57
Ipswich Town	42	11	4	6	34	23	4	4	13	21	34	53
Sunderland	42	8	9	4	26	18	5	4	12	16	35	52
Norwich City	42	9	8	4	34	20	3	7	11	14	29	51
Leicester City	42	11	5	5	40	30	2	7	12	25	38	51
Luton Town	42	7	5	9	30	33	7	4	10	23	33	51
WBA	42	10	4	7	30	25	4	5	12	18	37	51
Stoke City	42	11	4	6	30	23	2	7	12	14	40	50
Coventry City	42	8	5	8	33	33	5	6	10	24	44	50
Birmingham City	42	7	7	7	19	18	5	5	11	20	32	48
Notts County	42	6	7	8	31	36	4	4	13	19	36	41
Wolverhampton	42	4	8	9	15	28	2	3	16	12	52	29

## FINAL FOOTBALL COMBINATION 1983-84

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Arsenal	42	29	8	5	96	30	66
Watford	42	28	6	8	94	50	62
Chelsea	42	25	5	12	84	38	55
Queens Park Rangers	42	23	9	10	80	37	55
West Ham United	42	21	11	10	105	50	53
Southampton	42	20	12	10	75	51	52
Tottenham Hotspur	42	21	8	13	110	64	50
Norwich City	42	20	10	12	78	45	50
Luton Town	42	19	11	12	78	54	49
Ipswich Town	42	20	8	14	67	53	48
Leicester City	42	18	9	15	96	63	45
Brighton	42	19	7	16	74	65	45
Fulham	42	17	6	19	71	73	40
Millwall	42	17	6	19	60	77	40
Birmingham City	42	16	5	21	75	83	37
Swansea City	42	15	5	22	70	95	35
Charlton Athletic	42	11	11	20	46	88	33
Oxford United	42	11	10	21	56	87	32
Bristol Rovers	42	9	6	27	60	112	24
Crystal Palace	42	5	12	25	32	101	22
Swindon Town	42	6	8	28	42	111	20
Reading	42	3	5	34	31	153	11

## SOUTH EAST COUNTIES LEAGUE FIXTURES 1984-85

Date	Opposition	F	A	Date	Opposition	Date	Opposition
Aug 25	Swindon	0	0	Oct 20	Wimbledon	Jan 5	Brighton
Sep 6	West Ham			Nov 3	Tottenham	Jan 12	Bristol Rovers
Sep 15	Brentford			Nov 10	LCR2	Jan 19	Crystal Palace
Sep 22	Brighton			Nov 17	Reading	Jan 26	Wimbledon
Sep 29	Reading (LC1)			Nov 24	Southend	Feb 19	Tottenham
Oct 6	Bristol Rovers			Dec 1	Oxford	Feb 16	Reading
Oct 13	Crystal Palace			Dec 8	Swindon	Feb 23	Southend
Oct 19	Tottenham			Dec 22	West Ham	Mar 2	Oxford
	(SJFC)			Dec 29	Brentford		

## Curtain Up for Canon

Everything is in its rightful place again. Canon League football, give or take a few days, is back with us.

Liverpool manager Joe Fagan has delivered the traditional pre-season, homily to his players: 'Forget about last season, we've won nothing yet.' And yet there isn't a bookmaker in the country who doesn't make the Anfield squad favourites to win everything for which they compete.

The second Canon League season will be a good one. Of that Graham Kelly, Secretary of the Football League, is convinced.

He says: 'The stabilising effects of last season give me cause for optimism. The gloom and doom forecasts for last term were totally wrong. Attendances were down only two per cent which suggests that the shortfall of the three previous seasons has been halted.'

'With Canon League attendances grossing up to more than 18,000,000 there cannot be any doubt that League football is still far and away the most popular of spectator sports.'

'There is a tendency to overlook the general decline in crowd figures in Europe and South America where they have experienced a much sharper downward curve than we have. And with the return of Chelsea, Sheffield Wednesday and Newcastle United — three of our traditional giants — I would not be surprised by an increase in the size of First Division gates.'

The first year of Canon's three-years sponsorship, worth more than £3 million was eminently successful. Through the prize-fund, goalscoring awards, family awards and loyalty awards the Canon sponsorship touched all areas of League football.



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- 6 Mal Donaghy 1
- 7 Ricky Hill
- 8 Brian Stein
- 9 Steve Elliott
- 10 **Frank Bunn TURNER**
- 11 David Moss
- 12 **NWATI OBI**

**LIVERPOOL 2**

- 1 Bruce Grobbelaar
- 2 Phil Neal 1 PEN
- 3 Alan Kennedy
- 4 Mark Lawrenson
- 5 Ron Whelan
- 6 Alan Hansen
- 7 **Kenny Dalglish 1**
- 8 Sammy Lee
- 9 Paul Walsh
- 10 John Wark
- 11 Jan Molby
- 12 **ROBINSON**

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