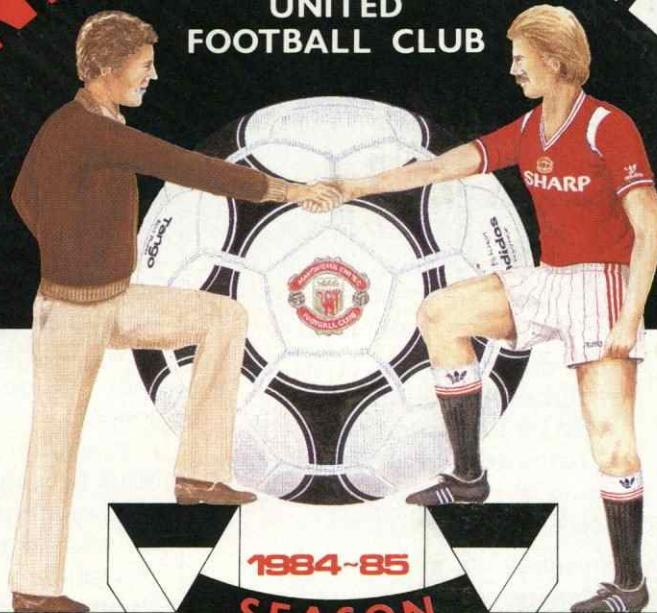


# UNITED REVIEW

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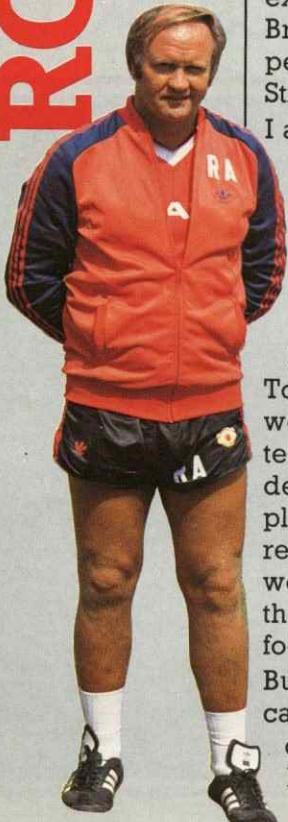
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# RON ATKINSON TALKING



I should imagine that most of the pools forecasters have got Manchester United down for a home win today.

And in theory who can question their judgement?

After all, Luton have won only once away from home this season and they don't appear to be a United bogey team. We beat them 2-0 at Old Trafford last season and completed the double with a 5-0 victory at Kenilworth Road. So three points this afternoon would appear to be a dead cert . . . in theory at any rate.

All I can say to that is that we shall have to defend a darn sight better today than we did at Leicester last week if we are going to run true to the form book.

Certainly we came away from Leicester with a win, but you can put that down to the fact that we came up with some excellent finishing from Alan Brazil, Mark Hughes and our penalty expert Gordon Strachan.

I always felt we were worthy of winning. We were, after all, the away team, yet we took the game to our opponents and set the scoring pace. What worried me was the way we kept letting Leicester back into the game!

To a certain extent I suppose we are more of an attacking team this season. I for one am definitely enjoying our style of play and the excellent response of our supporters would seem to suggest that they are also excited about our football.

But at the same time, we cannot afford to give the opposition goals, and I will be looking for a little more

certainty and concentration at the back this afternoon.

## A LATE WINNER

Luton are not having a particularly successful time, but just as Leicester demonstrated, they are quite capable of causing surprises. There are in fact no easy games in the First Division, and it is fatal to go into a match expecting anything less than a battle.

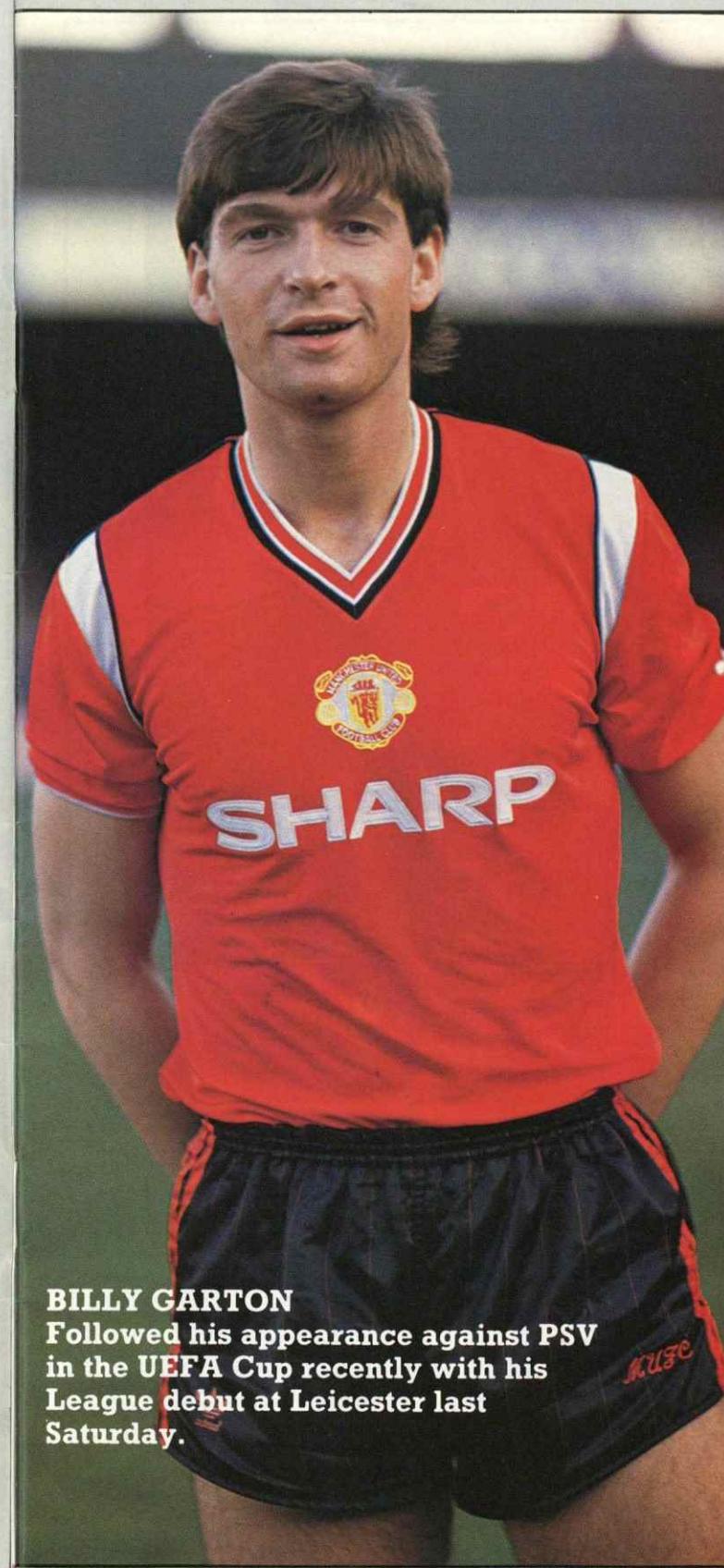
At the end of the day at Leicester, we came away with a win, and that is a step forward compared with our visit to Filbert Street last season.

I remember leaving after a 1-1 draw feeling that that was the kind of game we had to win if we were serious about challenging for the championship.

We paid for those lost points at the end of the season on the last lap of the title race when we hit a difficult patch with nothing in hand.

This time we snatched a late winner, which was particularly satisfying after coming through a very testing tie against Eindhoven involving extra time with a victory that now sees us through to the third round and a fixture against Dundee United.

This afternoon we have got to aim to show Luton that our late, late win at Leicester was no fluke.



**BILLY GARTON**

Followed his appearance against PSV in the UEFA Cup recently with his League debut at Leicester last Saturday.

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## Honours

### European Champions Cup:

Winners:	1968
Semi-Finals:	1957 1958 1966 1969

### World Club Championship

Finalists:	1968
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### Football League Division One

Champions:	1908 1911 1952 1956
	1957 1965 1967
Runners-up:	1947 1948 1949 1951
	1959 1964 1968 1980

### Football League Division Two

Champions:	1936 1975
Runners-up:	1897 1906 1925 1938

### FA Challenge Cup

Winners:	1909 1948 1963 1977
	1983
Finalists:	1957 1958 1976 1979
Semi-Finals:	1926 1949 1962 1964
	1965 1966 1970

### Football League (Milk) Cup

Finalists:	1983
Semi-Finals:	1970 1971 1975

### European Cup Winners' Cup

Semi-Finals:	1984
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### Inter Cities Fairs Cup

Semi-Finals:	1965
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Winners:	1908 1911 1952 1956
	1957 1983
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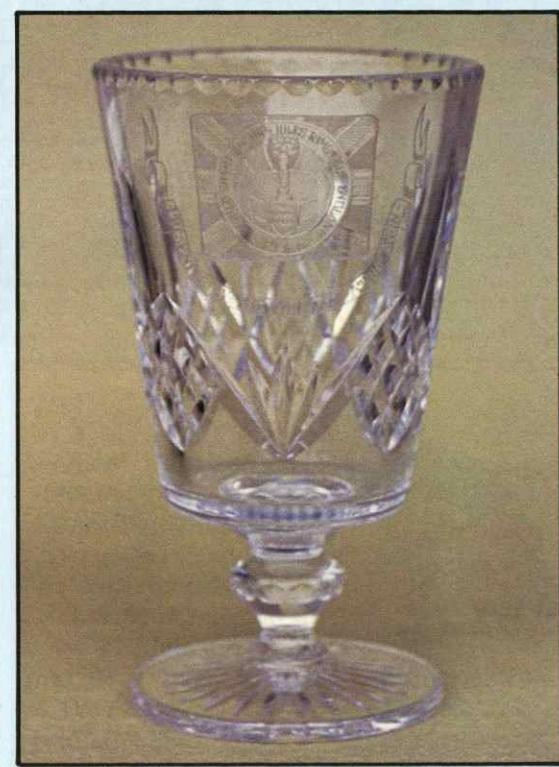
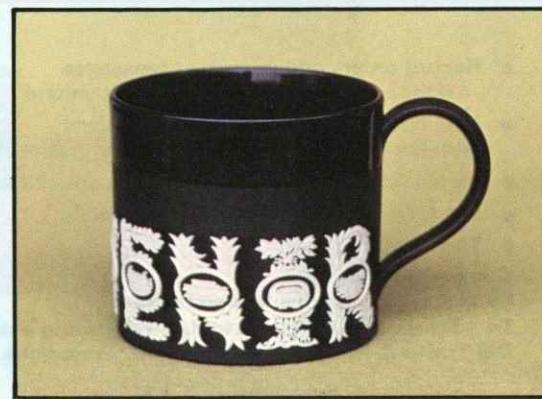
Following a week when a good number of our players have been away on World Cup duty with their respective countries, we thought it would be an appropriate moment to take a look at a trio of pieces connected with football's most important contest.

They have resided in the showcases here for over 18 years; as they were given to the club just after the tournament had been staged in England.

The attractive piece of crystal was presented to United by the Football Association to mark the celebration of this most prestigious competition in the 'cradle of football'.

Also shown is a replica of the Jules Rimet Cup — the proper name for the original World Cup — which the FA gave to each club in commemoration of England's momentous triumph of 1966. The Jules Rimet Cup is now the property of the Brazilian FA. They were given it for 'keeps' in 1970 after becoming the first nation to win three finals.

Lastly, is the Wedgwood Sporting Mug given by Stretford Borough Council to mark United's participation in the 1966 World Cup finals, by way of holding three Group Three matches at Old Trafford involving Hungary, Portugal and Bulgaria.





## GROUND DEVELOPMENT

The Old Trafford of the future — and not too distant future at that, we hope.

not too distant future at that, we hope. Our picture shows an artist's impression of what we expect the Old Trafford corner to look like if plans, now before Trafford Borough Council's Planning Committee, are approved.

Subject to that approval, we hope to start work around the turn of the year and have the job completed for the start of 1985-86.

The improvement of supporter amenities has been going on almost non-stop for the past 25 years, for it was back in 1960 when the additional seating was installed in what became known as Stand 'E' behind the Stretford goal. We then moved on to build the North Stand, incorporating Stands 'F', 'G', 'H' & 'J'. This, the biggest of our developments, completed in time for the World Cup Finals in 1966, was to provide almost 10,000 seats, and 40 private boxes. The revenue from the then new concept in spectator facility was to have a significant role to play in the financing of that and subsequent developments.

Our next move was to take the stand round behind the scoreboard goal, continuing the cantilever roof, and this we did in 1971. Stand 'K' was to provide a further 5,200 seats with an additional 40 boxes.

We then turned our attention to what

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# Magic Moments

RON CROWTHER

## FIVE-GOAL HALL SET OLD TRAFFORD ALIGHT

Visitors to Old Trafford over the years have thrilled to many fine deeds by famous players. But I doubt if any individual feat ever achieved on this historic ground can have surpassed that of an old-time Spurs and England footballer whose career was clouded by tragedy.

Very few of the younger fans will have heard so much as the name of the great, but so desperately unfortunate Willie Hall. Yet just 46 years ago to the week this clever little inside-forward set Old Trafford alight when he scored five goals — the first three of them in the space of three and a half minutes — in an international game.

The unhappy victims of this whirlwind performance were Ireland — all Ireland, of course, in those days — who lost by 7-0. And Hall was credited with a crop of records. It was the first time this century that an England player had 'gone nap' in a full international, but this feat was equalled in 1975 by Malcolm Macdonald when playing against Cyprus. It was also the first time since international games were first played that an England player had scored five in succession. And the three-goal bag in three and a half minutes is still believed to have been the quickest ever hat-trick in British football at international level.

All this happened on the midweek afternoon of November 16th, 1938, and the Tottenham terrier, Hall, was aided and abetted in the demoralisation of the Irish team by two famous forwards in Tommy Lawton and Stanley Matthews and a fine, old-fashioned wing-half in the gravel voiced Ken Willingham from Huddersfield Town. As old-time soccer writer Ivan Sharpe reported in the *Sporting Chronicle*: 'Willingham supplied the passes; Matthews bamboozled the Irish defence and supplied the centres; Lawton distracted opponents by his constant menace, and Hall made himself the man on the spot to get the goals.' Lawton began the barrage with a superb left foot shot after a brilliant effort by Matthews. Then, 35 minutes after the kick-off, Hall began to write his name in golden letters in the annals of international football. He took an inside pass from Matthews and flicked home a shot to make the score 2-0. Ninety seconds later Lawton pulled the ball back for Hall to make it 3-0. And just inside two more minutes Hall coolly took advantage of a defensive mix-up to tap the ball into a wide open goal. The Irish team were in a state of shell-shock as they went off at half-time, four goals down. The frantic chase began again after the interval when Hall, with his back to goal, hooked the ball over his head and into the net. So much, by the way, for those claims that the continentals of post-war times introduced the overhead kick which they call the 'bicyclette'. Five minutes after his fourth one the goal-hungry Hall struck again when put through by Matthews. To round it all off Matthews himself scored goal number seven after going all the way from the half-way line and leaping out of lunging tackles in a sparkling solo swoop.

'His performance', wrote Ivan Sharpe, 'was one for the fans to remember for years to come — one comparable with any that the great Billy Meredith ever gave.'

So the national newspaper headlines 42 years ago today hailed England's heroes in glowing terms. 'Hall scores five in rout of Ireland' proclaimed the *Sporting Chronicle*.

Others read as follows: 'Goal-a-minute hat-trick record' ... 'England's great right wing' ... 'Brilliant form of Matthews.' Yet only a short time earlier some soccer writers had accused Matthews of 'starving' his partner, Hall, in an international against Czechoslovakia and an inter-League game against the Scots. Admittedly, the wizard who was to become Sir Stanley had scored three of England's five goals against the Czechs. But, as a player who was acknowledged to be one of football's greatest providers — and who, by the way, was one of Willie Hall's best friends — he was deeply hurt by the suggestion. Some years after that bygone era when the war clouds had been gathering over Europe he revealed that he had vowed that Hall would get the best kind of service that it was humanly possible to give. And it was a great comfort

to him when Willie turned it to such tremendous advantage. True to character, the modest little Spur gave most of the credit to his team-mates and, with tears in his eyes, said he had been lucky with at least two of the goals. But what precious little luck Willie Hall had ever enjoyed turned to darkest tragedy when his playing career ended at 31 and he lost both his legs which had to be amputated because of thrombosis followed by gangrene. Like Douglas Bader he showed an indomitable spirit and after mastering his artificial limbs he played golf to a single figure handicap. Bad luck still stalked him, however, in some of his unsuccessful business ventures. And the record breaker who won such admiration from all those who knew him died in 1967.

There could be no epitaph to a brave British footballer more fitting than that supplied by Sir Stanley. The world famous star wrote: 'If ever I begin worrying over trifles I think of Willie ... his shining example of how a man should act in his finest hours and in his darkest ones puts me to shame. Willie Hall was a man for us all to admire.'



Twinkling feet are those of G. W. Hall, the Tottenham Hotspur star.

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Bryan Robson has set himself a goal target of double figures this season.

The Reds' skipper is playing a new role for the team but he is still aiming to stay among the goals.

'People are going to have to get used to a different Bryan Robson now,' says the captain.

'But now that we have two wide players in Jesper Olsen and Gordon Strachan getting forward, I cannot afford to make as many runs.'



'I can only go when it really is on. We mustn't get too stretched. But at the same time I won't be satisfied unless I can get into double figures.'

So far Robson is just about on course with three in the League, one in Europe and one in the Milk Cup — with about a third of the season completed.

### SCORING SPREAD

United have in fact a very healthy spread of goals, with Mark Hughes setting a hot pace with a total of ten in the three competitions.

He shares top place in the scoring list with Gordon Strachan who has scored nine of his ten goals in the League. He is of course helped by his role as penalty king with six successful spot-kicks.

His most valuable so far has undoubtedly been the extra-time penalty which saw the Reds through to the third round of the UEFA Cup against PSV Eindhoven.

What makes his contribution doubly important is that fact that four of his five penalties have all been for fouls on himself.

### PENALTY ACE

It's a fair reflection on his elusive qualities as he makes his wriggling runs into the penalty box.

Alan Brazil has scored five goals, Jesper Olsen three, Norman Whiteside and Remi Moses two apiece, Arnold Muhren two and Gordon McQueen one.

If they can all maintain this rate of scoring, United will have the kind of scoring figures to put them in line for honours.

### MISSING MEN

Two names missing from the scoresheet this season are Frank Stapleton and Arthur Graham.

Stapleton was the leading scorer last season with a total in all competitions of 19 goals. Injury has robbed him of the chance so far this campaign, but as he says: 'All I need now is a couple of goals to give me my confidence.'

Graham has somewhat fallen by the wayside, squeezed out of the team by the arrival of Olsen and Strachan.

Although on the bench against Eindhoven last week, he has been limited to only one senior appearance when he played in the Milk Cup against Burnley at Old Trafford in September.

He has dropped so far out of the picture that he is available for transfer and has had talks with Manchester City, Stoke City and Sheffield United.

Prospective buyers would perhaps do well to note that last season he scored eight goals, a tidy contribution for a winger who also supplies a reliable stream of centres.

The Scot had two very fruitful scoring spells last season that played a big part in keeping United in the hunt for the championship until the last few games when the whole side ran out of steam.

### MIKE HARDING

The last charity sportsman's dinner at Old Trafford raised £2,500 to help train guide dogs for the blind.

Executive Suite manager Jim Barker and Hymie Wernick are already planning their next venture, but want to thank Amos Smith for the colour television set which he donated to help boost the money at the last event.

Mike Harding is expected to be the main guest on Thursday 29th November, at the next fund-raising function.

Read DAVID MEEK every week in the Manchester Evening News



# RESERVES & JUNIORS

By STEVE BATES

Youth team manager Eric Harrison believes his freescoring youngsters could be on target to smash the 100 goal barrier in the Lancashire League this season.

The 'A' team are doing a perfect imitation of their television namesakes by bulldozing aside the opposition with convincing victories which clearly suggest their outstanding Lancashire scoring record of last season will be easily surpassed.

Just take a look at the 'A' team's impressive goal return so far and it's easy to see why Harrison is optimistic of his lads joining the ton up club. Including their latest 7-0 mauling of Crewe the Reds have plundered 41 goals in only 13 outings — form which has swept them to the top as League leaders and made them hot favourites to take the title again.

Last season the youngsters slammed 90 goals in 30 Lancashire League matches but with 38 League games to be played this campaign United have even greater scope to run up their tally. Said Harrison: 'I'm delighted that we are carrying on where we left off last season. With an extra eight matches to play I'm confident the lads will break the 100 mark and they should certainly overtake the 90 scored last time.'

Doubly pleasing for Harrison, though, is not just the way United are scoring so freely but the way they set out to achieve victory. Manchester United have always put emphasis on scoring goals and every one of our sides at Old Trafford is attack minded. We encourage the players to express themselves because crowds here are used to flair which is why we have so many skilled players. Crowds like to see goals and from our junior team right through to the first team the emphasis is placed on playing the sort of entertaining football which produces goals. As long as the 'A' team keep up their current form I'll be pleased but there will be no slacking off and we'll be going all out to hit the 100.'

The goalscoring burden won't fall heavily on a couple of individuals, though, for the beauty of the 'A' team is the goal flow from all departments but strikers David Platt, Gary Worthington and Denis Cronin are sure to be vying for top honours.

**Wednesday 31 October**

## CREWE ALEXANDRA RESERVES 0 UNITED 'A' 7 (at The Cliff)

**Subs:** Ratcliffe for Robinson, Wealands for Pears, Russell for McGuinness.  
**Scorers:** Graham, Worthington.



**Saturday 10th November**

## CREWE ALEXANDRA RESERVES 0 UNITED 'A' 7 (at The Cliff)

Following the postponement of United's top of the table clash with Tranmere on 3rd November Harrison's youngsters returned to action with a vengeance as they eclipsed Crewe with another powerful display.

The Gresty Road outfit fielded a young side who managed to hold on for 15 minutes before the rout began. Trialist Levi Edwards, a pacy outside-left from Didsbury, took top scoring honours with a nicely taken hat-trick and it was his opener which signalled the start of United's goal blitz.

Commented Harrison: 'We played some super football and kept a clean sheet so it was a good day all round. Particularly encouraging, and a big feature of our success so far this season, was our approach play and the fact that all departments got in on the scoring act. Admittedly, they were a young reserve side, probably the same age as our team, but we still took them apart.'

Twin strike force Gary Worthington and Nick Welsh added to their season's total while utility ace Paul McGuinness and midfielder Andy Mathieson notched the others to keep the Reds top of the League.

**UNITED 'A':** Digby, Gill, Kelch, Hardy, McLoughlin, Mathieson, McGuinness, Russell, Welsh, Worthington, Edwards.

**Subs:** McBride, Gardner.

**Scorers:** Edwards 3, Worthington, Welsh, McGuinness, Mathieson.

## CENTRAL LEAGUE FIXTURES 1984-85

		F A	Pos	Teams	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
1984	Aug. 28	Coventry City	H 3-0	1 Liverpool	11	8	3	0	22	8	27
Sept. 5	Newcastle United	A 1-2	2 Aston Villa	11	7	4	0	22	7	25	
11	Barnsley	H 2-0	3 Nottingham Forest	11	5	5	1	24	14	20	
20	Sheffield United	A 1-2	4 Sheffield Wednesday	11	6	1	4	22	17	19	
27	Liverpool	H 1-2	5 Huddersfield Town	11	6	1	4	18	13	19	
Oct. 4	Derby County	A 1-4	6 Manchester City	11	6	1	4	18	17	19	
9	Notts County	H 1-1	7 Sheffield United	11	6	0	5	20	15	18	
16	Everton	A 2-1	8 Blackburn Rovers	9	4	3	2	14	10	15	
25	Blackburn Rovers	A 3-1	9 Manchester United	9	4	1	4	15	13	13	
Nov. 8	West Bromwich A	A P P	10 Everton	10	4	0	6	25	25	12	
13	Stoke City	H	11 Derby County	8	3	3	2	12	13	12	
20	Nottingham Forest	H	12 Stoke City	10	3	1	6	16	24	10	
24	Aston Villa	H	13 Bradford City	11	3	1	7	14	22	10	
27	Manchester City	A	14 Newcastle United	10	3	1	6	17	28	10	
Dec. 4	Bradford City	H	15 Notts County	11	2	3	6	10	18	9	
12	Huddersfield Town	A	16 Coventry City	9	2	2	5	9	14	8	
18	Sheffield Wed	H	17 Barnsley	11	2	2	7	10	19	8	
			18 West Bromwich Albion	9	2	0	7	5	16	6	

## CENTRAL LEAGUE DIVISION ONE

(Up to and including 8th November 1984)

	Pos	Teams	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
1984	28	Coventry City	A	1	1	0	41	15	30
Sept.	5	Newcastle United	H	2	1	0	41	15	30
11	Barnsley	H	3	1	0	41	15	30	
20	Sheffield United	A	4	1	0	41	15	30	
27	Liverpool	H	5	1	0	41	15	30	
Oct.	4	Derby County	A	6	1	0	41	15	30
9	Notts County	H	7	1	0	41	15	30	
16	Everton	A	8	1	0	41	15	30	
25	Blackburn Rovers	A	9	1	0	41	15	30	
Nov.	8	West Bromwich A	A	10	1	0	41	15	30
13	Stoke City	H	11	1	0	41	15	30	
20	Nottingham Forest	H	12	1	0	41	15	30	
24	Aston Villa	H	13	1	0	41	15	30	
27	Manchester City	A	14	1	0	41	15	30	
Dec.	4	Bradford City	H	15	1	0	41	15	30
12	Huddersfield Town	A	16	1	0	41	15	30	
18	Sheffield Wed	H	17	1	0	41	15	30	

## LANCASHIRE LEAGUE DIVISION ONE

(Up to and including 10th November 1984)

	Pos	Teams	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
1985	Jan. 8	Coventry City	A	1	1	0	41	15	30
15	Newcastle United	H	2	1	0	41	15	30	
23	Barnsley	A	3	1	0	41	15	30	
29	Sheffield United	H	4	1	0	41	15	30	
Feb. 5	Derby County	H	5	1	0	41	15	30	
12	Liverpool	A	6	1	0	41	15	30	
20	Stoke City	A	7	1	0	41	15	30	
26	West Bromwich A	H	8	1	0	41	15	30	
Mar. 6	Aston Villa	A	9	1	0	41	15	30	
12	Blackburn Rovers	H	10	1	0	41	15	30	
19	Everton	A	11	1	0	41	15	30	
26	Notts County	A	12	1	0	41	15	30	
April 3	Nottingham Forest	A	13	1	0	41	15	30	
10	Manchester City	H	14	1	0	41	15	30	
16	Bradford City	A	15	1	0	41	15	30	
23	Sheffield Wed	A	16	1	0	41	15	30	
30	Huddersfield Town	H	17	1	0	41	15	30	

## LANCASHIRE LEAGUE DIVISION ONE

(Up to and including 10th November 1984)

## LANCASHIRE LEAGUE FIXTURES 1984-85

	Pos	Teams	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
1984	Aug. 25	Rochdale Reserves	H	1	1	0	41	15	30
Sept.	1	Morecambe 'A'	A	2	1	0	41	15	30
	2	Liverpool 'A'	H	3	1	0	41	15	30
	3	Marine Reserves	A	4	1	0	41	15	30
	4	Barrow Reserves	H	5	1	0	41	15	30
	5	Formby Reserves	A	6	1	0	41	15	30
	6	Bury Reserves	H	7	1	0	41	15	30
	7	25 Barrow Reserves	A	8	1	0	41	15	30
	8	29 Everton 'A'	H	9	1	0	41	15	30
	9	6 Liverpool 'A'	A	10	1	0	41	15	30
	10	13 South Liverpool Res	H	11	1	0	41	15	30
	11	20 Everton 'A'	A	12	1	0	41	15	30
	12	27 Rochdale Reserves	H	13	1	0	41	15	30
	13	3 Tranmere Rovers Res	A	14	1	0	41	15	30
	14	10 Crewe Alexandra Res	H	15	1	0	41	15	30
	15	17 Tranmere Rovers Res	A	16	1	0	41	15	30
	16	24 Morecambe 'A'	H	17	1	0	41	15	30
	17	1 Chester City Reserves	A	18	1	0	41	15	30
	18	6 Alsager College	H	19	1	0	41	15	30
	19	8 Manchester City 'A'	A	20	1	0	41	15	30
	20	15 UMIST	H	21	1	0	41	15	30
	21	22 Bolton Wanderers 'A'	A	22	1	0	41	15	30

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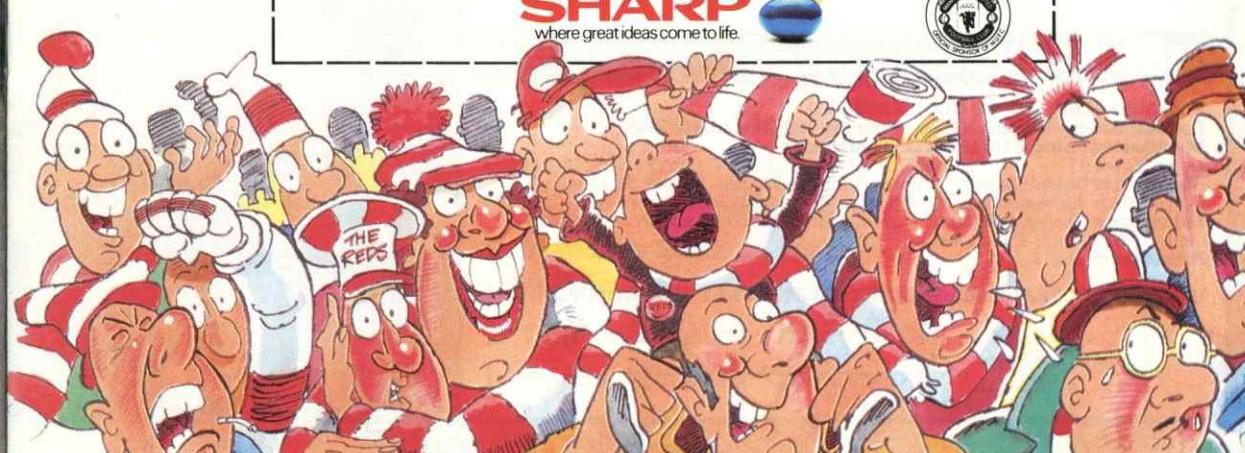
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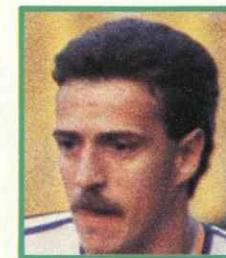
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## UNITED v LUTON TOWN

Red Shirts, White Shorts



White Shirts, Blue Shorts



Appears against Luton Town for the sixth time in League and Cup today and has so far conceded just one goal in the previous five meetings.

Terribly unlucky with injury, he appeared in just four League games for United last season and one of those was against Luton Town at Old Trafford.

Not renown for his goalscoring, he bagged only two last term — one of which was in the League game with Luton Town here at Old Trafford.

Travelled to Istanbul this week for England's World Cup qualifier against Turkey still looking for that elusive first full cap.

Salford-born, he made his League debut last week at Leicester — three days after taking part in the UEFA Cup win over PSV.

A comparative veteran alongside his former youth team colleague at Leicester last week — it was his 30th League appearance.

Scored two goals in the televised 5-0 win over Luton Town at Kenilworth Road last February.

Scored match winning penalties against PSV in the UEFA Cup and at Leicester to bring his total of successful conversions this season to six.

Has netted in each of our last two League games (Arsenal and Leicester City) to take his tally for the season into double figures.

Has played against Luton Town in League and Cup on three occasions before — all whilst he was with Ipswich Town — and he scored each time.

He was the target for some particularly heavy tackles in the match with PSV ten days ago, but had the last laugh against his former opponents from the Dutch League.

**Gary Bailey 1 Andy Dibble****John Gidman 2 Tim Breacker****Arthur Albiston 3 Wayne Turner****Remi Moses 4 Colin Todd****Billy Garton 5 Stacey North****Graeme Hogg 6 Mal Donaghy****Bryan Robson 7 Ricky Hill****Gordon Strachan 8 Brian Stein****Mark Hughes 9 Frankie Bunn****Alan Brazil 10 Gary Parker****Jesper Olsen 11 David Moss**

Andy was signed from Cardiff for £125,000 this summer. He made 62 League appearances for the Bluebirds and won three Wales Under-21 caps.

Tim completed his apprenticeship at Kenilworth Road and made a couple of appearances in the First Division last season.

Wayne developed in the junior teams and made his League debut in 1979. He was only an occasional first teamer at first, joining Lincoln on loan in 1981-82, but has been a fairly regular member of the side for two years now.

Colin started with Sunderland but, after joining Derby in 1971, he won 27 England caps. He later played for Everton, Birmingham, Nottingham Forest and Oxford. After a spell with Vancouver, Colin joined Luton this season.

Stacey graduated through the youth team and made his first League appearance against WBA on the closing day of last season.

Mal was signed from Larne for £20,000 in 1978 and is now a regular member of the N. Ireland team, winning his 32nd cap against Rumania.

Ricky joined the Hatters as a schoolboy and has been a first team regular for six years. Two seasons ago his performances were rewarded by a call up to the England squad and he won full caps against Denmark and West Germany.

Brian has been in the Luton side since 1977-78 and has twice been top scorer. He is again one of the Hatters' leading goalscorers. Brian has played for England at full and Under-21 levels.

Frankie served his apprenticeship at Kenilworth Road and first played in their League eleven in 1980-81. But he was only an occasional first teamer prior to last season.

Gary is a former Hatters' apprentice who made his first senior appearance two seasons ago. He earned a regular place towards the end of last term.

David has twice been Luton's top scorer since transferring from Swindon in 1978. He earned his name as a goalscoring winger with Swindon, claiming 60 goals in just over 200 League games.

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## Officials

Referee: **Mr G. Courtney** (Spennymoor)Linesmen: **Mr D. T. Phillips** (Barnsley) **Red Flag****Mr G. Whitefield** (Wakefield) **Yellow Flag**

## MATCH FACTS

## THE LAST MEETING AT OLD TRAFFORD

Football League Division One — Saturday 10th September 1983.

Manchester United 2 (Muhren pen., Albiston)

Luton Town 0

Manchester United: Bailey, Gidman, Albiston, Wilkins, Moran, McQueen, Robson (sub: Moses), Muhren, Stapleton, Whiteside Graham.

Luton Town: Sealey, Stephens, Turner, Horton, Elliott, Donaghy, Hill, Walsh, Stein B., Bunn (sub: Antic), Moss.

Attendance: 41,013

## UNITED'S FOOTBALL LEAGUE RECORD AGAINST LUTON TOWN

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Home	11	10	0	1	35	8	22
Away	11	6	4	1	19	8	17
Total	22	16	4	2	54	16	39



## NEXT AT OLD TRAFFORD

CENTRAL LEAGUE

Tuesday 20th November

**NOTTINGHAM FOREST RESERVES**

Kick-off 7.30 pm

*A token will be issued*UEFA CUP 3rd Round, 1st Leg  
Wednesday 28th November**DUNDEE UNITED**

Kick-off 7.30 pm

DIVISION ONE

Saturday 1st December

**NORWICH CITY**

Kick-off 3.00 pm

## HALF-TIME SCORES

**A** Arsenal v Queens Park Rangers**B** Aston Villa v Southampton**C** Chelsea v West Bromwich Albion**D** Coventry City v Nottingham Forest**E** Everton v Stoke City**F** Ipswich Town v Tottenham Hotspur**G** Leicester City v Norwich City**H** Watford v Sheffield Wednesday**J** West Ham United v Sunderland**K** Oldham Athletic v Oxford United**L** Sheffield United v Manchester City

# THICK AND THIN

by David Rowe



**DAILY**  
**Mirror**

**Sunday**  
**Mirror**

**THE BIG NAMES  
IN THE GAME**

# BOOK

BY CLIFF BUTLER

## FOOTBALL CATCHES UP

Cricket, the summer game of bat and ball, to which many turn during the blank days of the close season has always enjoyed a well-recorded history.

Anyone who has scanned the sports section shelves in bookshops cannot have failed to notice that the cricket follower is really well catered for.

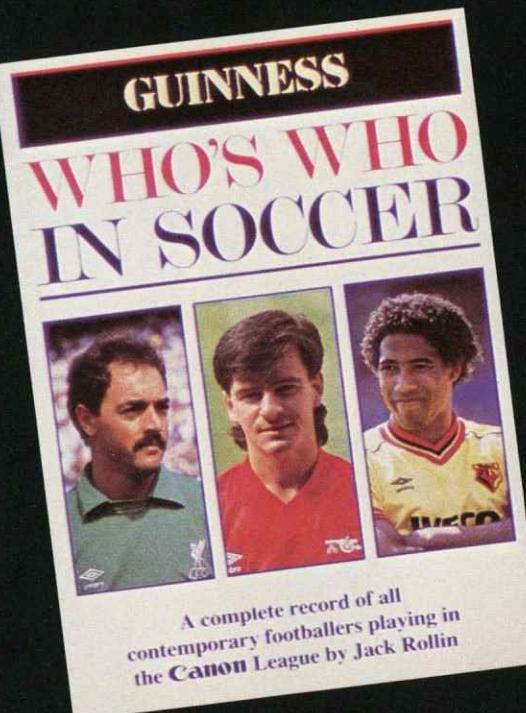
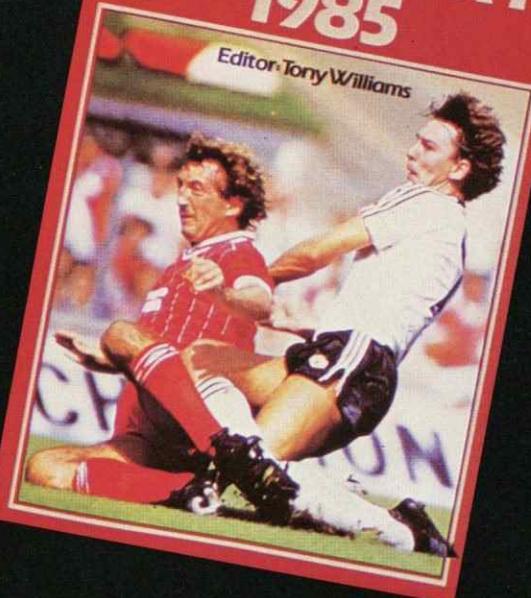
Football seemed to trail in this department; a poor second best. Statistics, facts and figures were more likely to be covered if they involved — 'overs', 'maidens' and 'no balls'.

This shortcoming, however, has most certainly been rectified and with a vengeance.

The 'Rothmans' and 'Canon' yearbooks were spotlighted a couple of weeks ago and they are just two of what is becoming an ever increasing list.

**THE  
LEAGUE CLUB  
DIRECTORY  
1985**

*Editor: Tony Williams*



A complete record of all  
contemporary footballers playing in  
the **Canon** League by Jack Rollin

THE LEAGUE CLUB DIRECTORY 1985 — Newnes — £5.95 is another from the same stable which has recently seen the light of day for the first time. Unlike the other yearbooks mentioned, it concentrates solely on League clubs — hence the totally descriptive title.

Edited by Tony Williams (he was the editor of the 1983-84 Rothmans) it consists of more than 570 pages, with six being devoted to each club. Truly comprehensive, it gives fine coverage although unavoidably duplicating much of what is supplied in its competitors.

One interesting innovation is the reproduction of each club's programme front cover — from one of this season's editions — together with notes about the publication — the editor of 'United Review' — Ken... what's his name? — even gets a mention.

Another, more modest, book for the statistically minded is the GUINNESS WHO'S WHO IN SOCCER — Guinness — £3.95 which lists the career record of every player who took part in a League game last season. Birthplace, birthdate, height, weight and number of international caps are also detailed to give a tidy and concise guide to the country's footballers.

Compiled by Jack Rollin — he's had some plugs through the pages of the United Review — it's a handy and compact addition to football's new found armoury of factual books.

# REVIEW



Gordon Strachan keeps up his 100% penalty record as he sends Leicester 'keeper, Ian Andrews, the wrong way to give United full points with a 3-2 victory at Filbert Street last Saturday.



**CANON LEAGUE DIVISION ONE**  
(Up to and including 10th November 1984)

**(Up to and including 10th November 1984)**

Pos	Teams	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
1	Everton	14	9	2	3	28	18	29
2	<b>Manchester United</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>27</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>26</b>
3	Arsenal	14	8	2	4	29	21	26
4	Tottenham Hotspur	14	8	1	5	29	15	25
5	Sheffield Wednesday	14	6	4	4	25	17	22
6	West Ham United	14	6	4	4	20	20	22
7	Southampton	14	5	6	3	17	15	21
8	Newcastle United	14	5	6	3	28	27	21
9	Sunderland	14	5	5	4	22	18	20
10	Norwich City	14	5	5	4	21	19	20
11	Chelsea	14	5	4	5	22	15	19
12	West Bromwich Albion	14	5	4	5	22	18	19
13	Nottingham Forest	14	5	3	6	21	20	18
14	Liverpool	14	4	6	4	16	18	15
15	Ipswich Town	14	3	7	4	17	18	16
16	Aston Villa	14	4	4	6	18	28	16
17	Queens Park Rangers	13	3	6	4	19	24	15
18	Coventry City	14	4	3	7	12	20	15
19	Luton Town	14	3	4	7	17	29	13
20	Watford	14	2	6	6	29	33	12
21	Leicester City	14	3	3	8	20	33	12
22	Stoke City	13	1	4	8	11	29	7

## APPEARANCES 1984-1985

	League	UEFA Cup	Milk Cup	FA Cup	Total
Albiston	14	4	3	—	21
Bailey	14	4	3	—	21
Blackmore	0	0	1	—	1
Brazil	9	2	2(1)	—	13(1)
Duxbury	10	2	2	—	14
Garton	1	0(1)	1	—	2(1)
Gidman	3	2(1)	1	—	6(1)
Graham	0	0	1	—	1
Hogg	14	4	3	—	21
Hughes	14	4	2	—	20
Moran	12	4	2	—	18
Moses	14	4	3	—	21
McQueen	2	0	0	—	2
Muhren	1(1)	2	1	—	4(1)
Olsen	14	4	2	—	20
Robson	13	4	2	—	19
Stapleton	1(1)	1	1(1)	—	3(2)
Strachan	14	2	2	—	18
Whiteside	4(2)	1(1)	1	—	6(2)

*Substitute appearances in brackets*

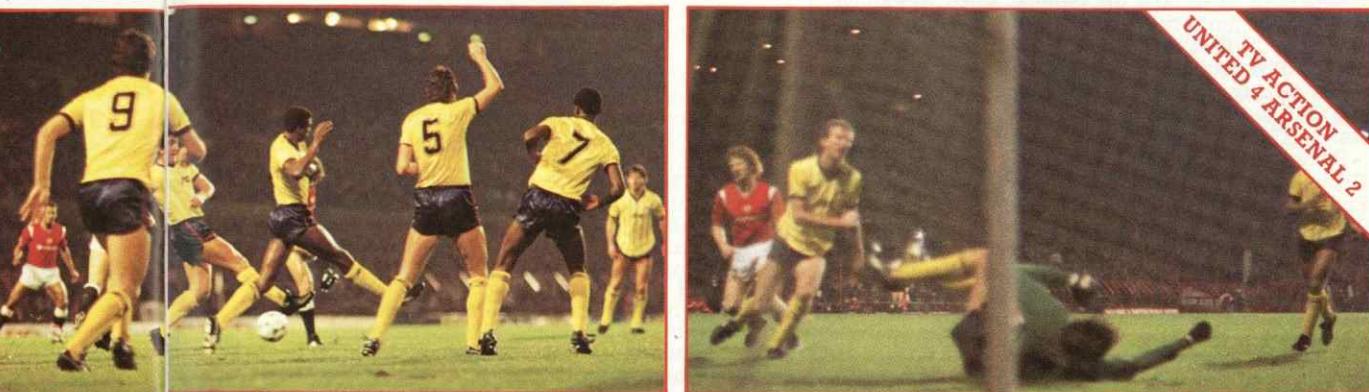
## GOALSCORERS 1984-85

	League	UEFA Cup	Milk Cup	FA Cup	Total
Hughes	6	1	3	—	10
Strachan	9(5)	1(1)	0	—	10(6)
Brazil	2	1	3	—	6
Robson	3	1	1	—	5
Olsen	2	0	1	—	3
Moses	2	0	0	—	2
Muhren	0	2(1)	0	—	2(1)
Whiteside	2	0	0	—	2
McQueen	1	0	0	—	1
<i>Total</i>	27(5)	6(2)	8	—	41(7)

*Penalties shown in brackets*

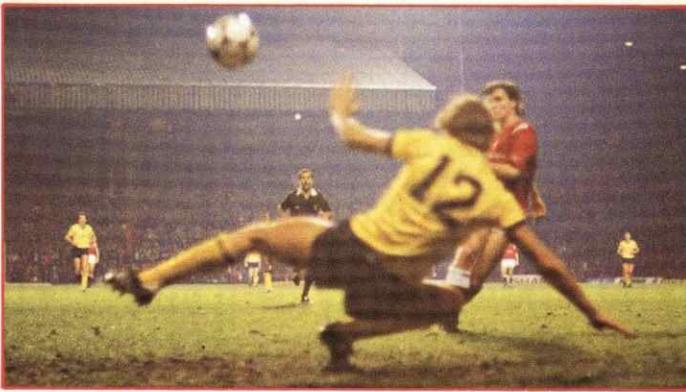
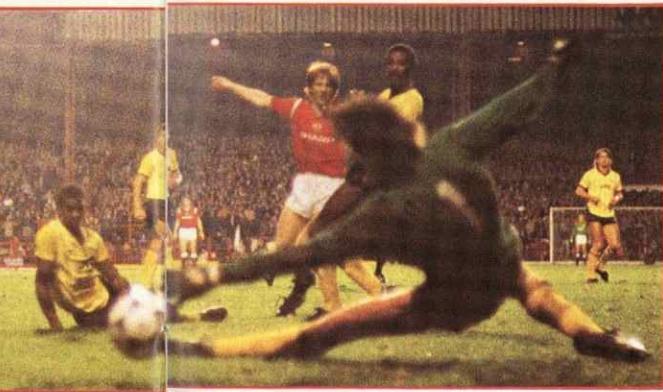
## FIRST TEAM FIXTURES 1984-85

FIRST TEAM FIXTURES 1984-85			ATT'D	F	A	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12		
1984																			
Aug. 25	Watford	H	53,668	1	1	Bailey	Duxbury	Albiston	Moses	Moran	Hogg	Robson	Strachan	Hughes	Brazil	Olsen	Whiteside(10)		
28	Southampton	A	22,183	0	0	Bailey	Duxbury	Albiston	Moses	Moran	Hogg	Robson	Strachan	Hughes	Brazil	Olsen	Whiteside		
Sept. 1	Ipswich Town	A	20,876	1	1	Bailey	Duxbury	Albiston	Moses	Moran	Hogg	Robson	Strachan	Hughes <sup>1</sup>	Brazil	Olsen	Whiteside(10)		
5	Chelsea	H	48,398	1	1	Bailey	Duxbury	Albiston	Moses	Moran	Hogg	Robson	Strachan	Hughes	Whiteside	Olsen <sup>1</sup>	Muhren		
8	Newcastle United	H	54,915	5	0	Bailey	Duxbury	Albiston	Moses <sup>1</sup>	Moran	Hogg	Robson	Strachan	Hughes <sup>1</sup>	Whiteside	Olsen <sup>1</sup>	Muhren		
15	Coventry City	A	18,312	3	0	Bailey	Duxbury	Albiston	Moses	Moran	Hogg	Robson <sup>1</sup>	Strachan	Hughes	Whiteside	Olsen	Muhren		
19	Raba Gyor UEFA Cup 1 (LL)	H	33,119	3	0	Bailey	Duxbury	Albiston	Moses	Moran	Hogg	Robson <sup>1</sup>	Muhren <sup>1</sup>	Hughes <sup>1</sup>	Whiteside	Olsen	—		
22	Liverpool	H	56,638	1	1	Bailey	Duxbury	Albiston	Moses	Moran	Hogg	Robson	Strachan	Hughes	Whiteside	Olsen	Muhren(5)		
26	Burnley MC 2 (1L)	H	28,383	4	0	Bailey	Duxbury	Albiston	Moses	Garton	Hogg	Robson <sup>1</sup>	Muhren	Hughes <sup>3</sup>	Whiteside	Graham	Brazil(10)		
29	West Bromwich Albion	A	26,401	2	1	Bailey	Duxbury	Albiston	Moses	Moran	Hogg	Robson <sup>1</sup>	Strachan	Hughes	Brazil	Olsen	Whiteside		
Oct. 3	Raba Gyor UEFA Cup 1 (2L)	A	28,000*	2	2	Bailey	Duxbury	Albiston	Moses	Moran	Hogg	Robson	Muhren	Hughes	Brazil <sup>1</sup>	Olsen	Gidman(7)		
6	Aston Villa	A	37,132	0	3	Bailey	Duxbury	Albiston	Moses	Moran	Hogg	Strachan	Muhren	Hughes	Brazil	Olsen	Whiteside		
9	Burnley MC 2 (2L)	A	12,690	3	0	Bailey	Duxbury	Albiston	Moses	Moran	Hogg	Strachan	Blackmore	Stapleton	Brazil <sup>2</sup>	Olsen <sup>1</sup>	Hughes		
13	West Ham United	H	47,559	5	1	Bailey	Duxbury	Albiston	Moses <sup>1</sup>	McQueen <sup>1</sup>	Hogg	Robson	Strachan <sup>1</sup>	Hughes <sup>1</sup>	Brazil <sup>1</sup>	Olsen	Whiteside		
20	Tottenham Hotspur	H	54,516	1	0	Bailey	Gidman	Albiston	Moses	Moran	Hogg	Robson	Strachan	Hughes <sup>1</sup>	Brazil	Olsen	Whiteside		
24	PSV Eindhoven UEFA Cup 2 (1L)	A	27,500*	0	0	Bailey	Gidman	Albiston	Moses	Moran	Hogg	Robson	Strachan	Hughes	Brazil	Olsen	—		
27	Everton	A	40,769	0	5	Bailey	McQueen	Albiston	Moses	Moran	Hogg	Robson	Strachan	Hughes	Brazil	Olsen	Stapleton(5)		
30	Everton (MC 3)	H	50,918	1	2	Bailey	Gidman	Albiston	Moses	Moran	Hogg	Robson	Strachan	Hughes	Brazil <sup>1</sup>	Olsen	Stapleton(11)		
Nov. 4*	Arsenal	H	32,279	4	2	Bailey	Gidman	Albiston	Moses	Moran	Hogg	Robson <sup>1</sup>	Strachan <sup>2</sup>	Hughes <sup>1</sup>	Stapleton	Olsen	Muhren		
7	PSV Eindhoven UEFA Cup 2 (2L)	H	39,281*	1	0	a.e.t.		Bailey	Gidman	Albiston	Moses	Moran	Hogg	Robson	Strachan	Hughes	Stapleton	Olsen	Whiteside(10)
10	Leicester City	A	23,840*	3	2	Bailey	Gidman	Albiston	Moses	Garton	Hogg	Robson	Strachan	Hughes <sup>1</sup>	Brazil <sup>1</sup>	Olsen	Garton(5)		



Bryan Robson opens the scoring after just five minutes and quickly rewards the faithful who, despite the dreadful weather, preferred the 'real thing' to the fireside. Despite going in at half-time a goal down, United started the second

Half as they had begun the first, with a goal — this time from Gordon Strachan. Our third goal also came from our Scottish No. 8, and goal number four was swept in by Mark Hughes after a strong run by Bryan Robson.





## UEFA CUP — 3rd ROUND, 1st LEG UNITED v DUNDEE UNITED

Wednesday 28th November  
Kick-off 7.30 pm

Admission to unreserved seats, sections to be announced nearer the date of the match, together with standing accommodation will be by payment at the turnstiles on the night of the match.

Early arrival and correct money will minimise delays and we look forward to your usual co-operation.

Reserved seats are on general sale, weekdays, 9.30 am to 5 pm at the following prices:  
Stands 'F', 'J' & 'K' £4.20 (jnr £2.10 'K')\*  
Stands 'B' & 'C' £4.90 (jnr £2.20)\*

\*This facility only available on tickets purchased BEFORE the day of the match.  
Stands 'G' & 'H' wing £4.60; mid £4.90; centre £5.50.

Prices of admission for other parts as shown below:  
Groundside £2.40 (jnr £1.20).

Paddocks £2.60 (jnr £1.30 — Stretford).

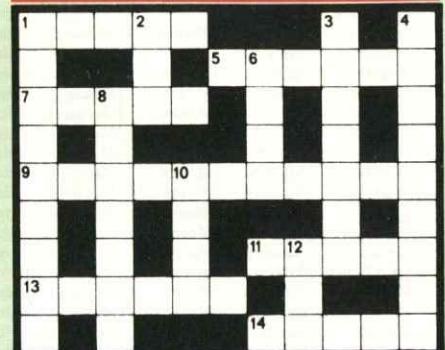
Stand 'E' £3.30 (jnr £1.60).

Further details regarding the availability of other sections of unreserved seating will be announced in the *Manchester Evening News*, and via local radio stations on the day of the match. This information will also be available to supporters who telephone our Ansafone Service on (061) 872 0199.

### TODAY'S REFEREE

**George Courtney** is married with one son, and is a headteacher. Commenced refereeing in 1962 and progressed via Auckland, Wearside and Northern Leagues. Appointed to the FIFA List in 1977 and UEFA in 1979. Has officiated at many World Cup and European Cup matches. Spends a vast amount of time training for his refereeing and is very keen on athletics. He last controlled a match at Old Trafford on 17th March, this year, when we defeated Arsenal 4-0.

## CROSSWORD



### ACROSS

1. This Powell played well over 300 League games for Derby; what is ... (5)
5. ... his relationship to the Steve who has done just the same? (6)
7. Peter \_\_\_\_ (whose name describes good wine) had a career of around 600 matches and 150 goals in the League, mainly with Swindon and Burnley (5)
9. Where Pompey perform (7,4)
11. Bobby Charlton was always prepared to do it (5)
13. Shapter the referee sounds like a club! (6)
14. One of Newport County's colours (5)

### DOWN

1. A regular scorer with several northern clubs (notably Southport, Blackburn and Sheffield United), he went Stateside in the seventies (4,5)
2. Donaghy, could be (3)
3. \_\_\_\_ Sting, NASL side (7)
4. As which Chris Balderstone, a 500-match man, won his England caps (9)
6. One of the Waddles (4)
8. Ken \_\_\_\_ , much-travelled striker who netted 150 goals shared between Tranmere, Brighton, Blackburn and others (7)
10. The 't' in 'a.e.t.' (4)
12. Biblically-named forward who was mainly with his two home-town Bradford clubs (two spells each), though some of his 150 goals came with Grimsby, Preston and Rotherham (3)

Clocktower: 6. Lester; 8. Allen; 9. Tommy; 10. (after extra) Ham.  
ANSWERS: 1. Tommy; 5. Latifer; 6. Lester; 7. Noble; 8. Tony; 9. Preston Park; 11. Shouter; 12. Ham.

### PERSONALISED NAMEPLATE



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### PLAYER OF THE YEAR 1985

A reminder to all supporters that voting slips for the first three months of the season (August/September/October) must be received at the Supporters Club office no later than Monday 19th November.

We have already received a tremendous response for votes with United's current scoring sensation, Mark Hughes just holding off the challenge of 'spot-kick' expert Gordon Strachan. With United currently 'firing' on all cylinders, this year's prestigious award looks like being a close-fought battle right through to the end of what promises to be an enthralling season.

At the end of the day, it will be your votes which determine the winner of the Player of the Year award 1985 and if you haven't already cast your votes for the opening period do so this weekend and forward them immediately to the Supporters Club office here at Old Trafford.

Remember, each supporter is allowed one vote for each of the opening three months for the player they feel has contributed most to the team's performances during the months in question.

Voting slips should be made out as follows:

AUGUST .....

SEPTEMBER .....

OCTOBER .....



### CHRISTMAS NEWSLETTER 1984

Work is now in hand for the compilation of the Supporters Christmas Newsletter and it is expected that these will be available around the 15th December.

Whilst branch secretaries will be collecting their members copies from the office at Old Trafford, all other supporters should note that their copies will be posted to them at their home address.

In such regard, any member who has recently changed address and not yet notified us, must do so immediately in order that their file card can be amended and their envelope addressed correctly.

When advising a change of address, members should advise us of their previous address, membership number and new address.

### GROUND DEVELOPMENT

The arrangements now in hand to continue the development of the Old Trafford Paddock by way of providing a 'link-up' of the cantilever roofs of Stand 'K' and Stands 'A' & 'B', together with other on-site improvements (see Club News), will mean that during the period of the work being carried out, it will be necessary to re-house some of the departments here at Old Trafford.

The Ticket Office is to be housed in the existing Supporters Club office, with a temporary Supporters Club being erected adjacent to the Development Association on the railway side of the ground.

The 'Red Devils' Souvenir Shop is to be temporarily housed on the main forecourt adjacent to the entrance for the Private Boxes.

The actual dates of moving have yet to be finally confirmed, but we take this opportunity to apologise for any initial inconvenience which might be caused, but trust that all supporters will be delighted to hear of the decision to further develop Old Trafford as the premier club stadium in football today.

### SUPPORTERS CLUB TRAVEL

Saturday 24th November  
SUNDERLAND

Coach: £6 Depart: 10.00 am

## SUPPORTERS CLUB OFFICE HOURS

The Supporters Club Office at Old Trafford is open throughout the season.

Monday  
1.30 to 5.00 pm

Tuesday/Wednesday/Thursday  
10.00 am to 5.00 pm  
(closed 1.00 to 1.30 lunch)

Friday  
10.00 am to 1.00 pm

Although closed Monday morning and Friday afternoon, the Office is open matchdays  
Saturday  
12 noon to 2.45 pm/4.45 to 5.00 pm

Midweek  
5.00 to 7.15 pm/9.15 to 9.30 pm

Supporters Club membership forms available from the Office, or by post with sae.

# LUTON TOWN

Luton Town manager David Pleat is, as usual, insisting that his team pulls itself out of trouble by playing quality football. At the moment they are uncomfortably close to the relegation zone but that's not an uncommon experience for the Hatters.

Last season Luton finished 16th in the First Division but during the summer they lost two key players. Midfield man Brian Horton moved on to become player-manager of Hull City whilst England striker Paul Walsh joined Liverpool for £700,000.

For a club operating on a fairly small experienced squad, Luton have naturally been finding it difficult to come to terms with those losses.

It is hoped that the recent arrival of that stylish former England central-defender Colin Todd will bring more stability into the defence. And Mr Pleat signed striker Steve Elliott to play alongside Brian Stein in attack.

Former United midfield man Ashley Grimes was among other summer signings. He played at left-back for the opening weeks of the season but has been out of the side recently. And Vince Hilaire, an England 'B2' and Under-21 international midfielder, has made only occasional appearances.

One of the biggest successes has been goal-

keeper Andy Dibble, a Welsh Under-21 cap signed from Cardiff City.

So this is proving to be something of a transitional season for the Hatters and, in his search for his strongest team, Mr Pleat has so far called upon 19 players. In the circumstances, it is not difficult to appreciate why performances have been inconsistent.

So far Luton have won only one away game in the First Division, on Queens Park Rangers' artificial pitch (3-2) last month. They drew at Ipswich (1-1) but have been beaten in their other away games at West Bromwich (0-4), Nottingham Forest (1-3), Tottenham (2-4), Sunderland (0-3) and Norwich (0-3).

They did win away to Third Division Orient (4-1) in the second round of the Milk Cup and, by later winning their home leg 3-1, proceeded comfortably into the next round when they beat Leicester City (3-1) at Kenilworth Road. The Hatters now visit Sheffield Wednesday in the fourth round.

Life has been quite a struggle for Luton since they last gained promotion to the First Division in 1982. They were saved from relegation at the end of their first season by a dramatic late goal against Manchester City, over at Maine Road, in their final match of the season. That sent City down in their stead.



The Hatters made a good start last season but later suffered a few set-backs and ultimately took 16th place.

However, they are thankful for small blessings at Kenilworth Road and count themselves fortunate to enjoy First Division status at all after the traumatic events of recent times.

The Hatters are, in fact, the only club in Football League history ever to drop from the First to the Fourth Division and later reclaim their place at the top.

In the five years between 1960 and 1965 they sank right through all the Divisions.

Their recovery started with the Fourth Division Championship in 1968. By 1970 they were back in Division Two and in 1974 they stepped proudly back into the First Division once again.

Sadly, they survived for only one season on that occasion, but they rebuilt in the lower Division and, after showing steady improvement, won the Second Division Championship in 1982.

Apart from difficulties on the playing side, Luton also faced severe financial problems following relegation in 1975. At one point it seemed the club would fold but, under the careful guidance of Mr Dennis Mortimer, who is now their chairman, they pulled through that crisis.

Cash flow problems still exist, of course, for a club that has to try and sustain First Division football on attendances of not much more than 10,000. A possible move to a new ground is one of the possibilities currently under review.

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Season	League (Div.)	FA Cup	Milk Cup
1983-84	16th(1)	3rd	2nd
1982-83	18th(1)	4th	4th
1981-82	1st(2)	4th	2nd
1980-81	5th(2)	4th	3rd
1979-80	6th(2)	3rd	1st
1978-79	18th(1)	3rd	5th
1977-78	13th(2)	4th	3rd
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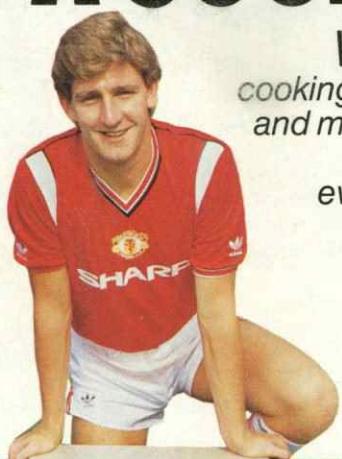
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