

LUTON TOWN

A photograph of a crowd of football fans, mostly men and children, reaching their hands up towards a goal net. The net is covered with many colorful balloons in shades of red, yellow, green, and orange. The scene is festive and celebratory, likely during a match or a special event.

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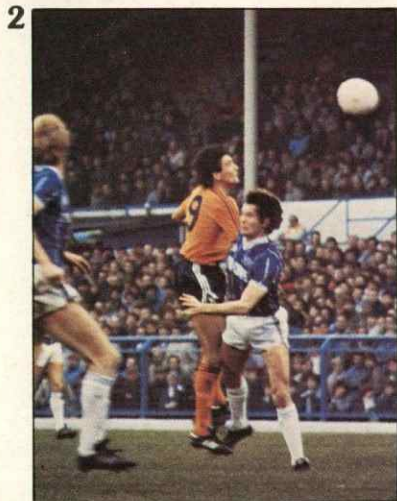
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COVENTRY CITY

Wednesday 26th December 1984

Kick-off 11.30 am

ACTION REPLAY



**LEICESTER CITY 2
LUTON TOWN 2**

- 1 Penetrating run by Hatters right-back Tim Breacker keeps the pressure on during the first-half.
- 2 New signing Mick Harford brings the added striking force to link up with Town striker Brian Stein.
- 3 Ricky Hill's efforts are halted when brought down by Ian Banks just outside the 'Foxes' goal area.



Pictures by Gareth Owen



I can recall some exciting Christmas games at Luton, and I hope we have a bigger than average crowd here today to enjoy the football.

Christmas morning football was once a highlight in every youngster's year. Walking miles and thumbing lifts (there was no threat of a social disease then) in happy spirits. Even without public transport, there were packed terraces and good humoured banter as kids were passed over people's shoulders down to the touchline.

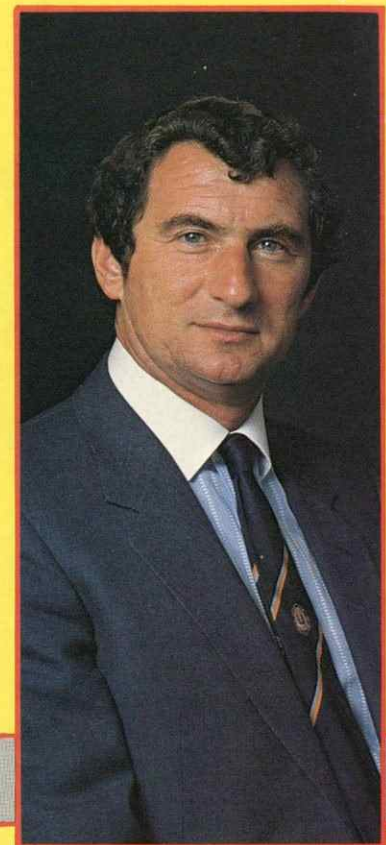
The game has changed so dramatically it is hard to stand still and realise. Freedom of contract has placed a massive burden on clubs who nurse quality young material. The retention of home gates has meant the financial whirlpool accelerates. Social habits have changed to increased leisure time and less respect for authority. Television has invaded the living room, and dictates to many.

However, despite all the changes, football — the game — is the greatest and most exciting team game in the world. What we have to hope is that our administrators can arrange a

under the guidance of a new chairman their determination to compete with the likes of Villa. Their all-seater stadium has failed to spark increased gates and to succeed without support is difficult. Coventry, like ourselves, have every right to be in the First Division. We have earned it, and Coventry have achieved a long unbroken run amongst the best.

Last summer, the two clubs were involved in a part-exchange deal which took Kirk Stephens to Coventry with Ashley Grimes coming to us. Kirk was my man, a splendid team competitor at Nuneaton, and for Luton — we wish him good fortune back in his home town, but hope he doesn't do too well today! Ashley has been in trouble and will not be involved today. He played his last game at QPR in the 3-2 win and has been in hospital with a sciatic nerve problem. Football is not all a bed of roses — injuries can cause terrible frustration.

On injuries, it is good to see Paul Elliott walking around the treatment room. Andy Dibble is also coming along steadily.



WELCOME

suitable system that allows football to flourish at both club and international level. To do this, we have to put aside individual self interest and the players, coaches, managers, must work harder at their roles in an effort to improve standards.

I am sure Bobby Gould would echo my thoughts. As manager of Coventry City, he is doing a splendid job. Even in Jimmy Hill's days the club suffered fierce criticism and they still have many critics. What people should remember is they are now showing

I would like to take this opportunity in what is the last programme of 1984 to thank all the many backroom staff who have worked so hard and loyally during the year.

Programme sellers, stewards, tea ladies, car park attendants, caterers: the list is long, and I thank you all. Without your continued support, we would not be the club we are.

Enjoy today's game — it seems only yesterday when Bobby Gould sat on the touchline in a magnificent Christmas game on ice when we met

Chelsea. A super crowd saw one of the best 3-3 draws I can ever recall.

Support the players. May I wish you all a very happy, healthy, and prosperous New Year.

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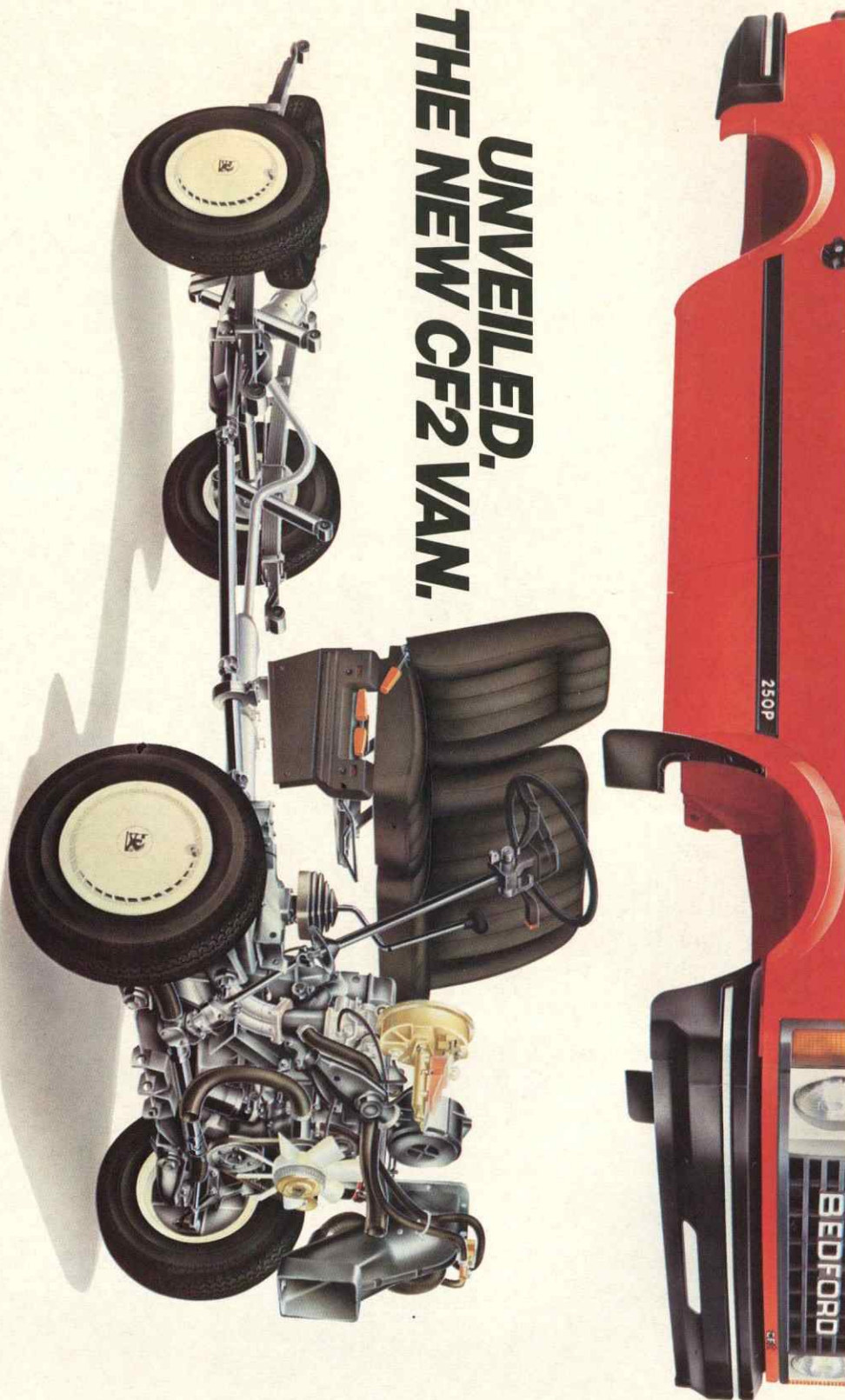
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HATTERS – PHOTO FILE

Four photographs of different eras showing important goals for and against Luton Town.

1. Bernard Streten is beaten by Blackpool's centre-forward Stephen-son's header in a FA Cup tie at Wolverhampton Wanderers ground on

25th January 1954. After drawing at Kenilworth Road and at Bloomfield Road, the Town went down by two goals to nil.



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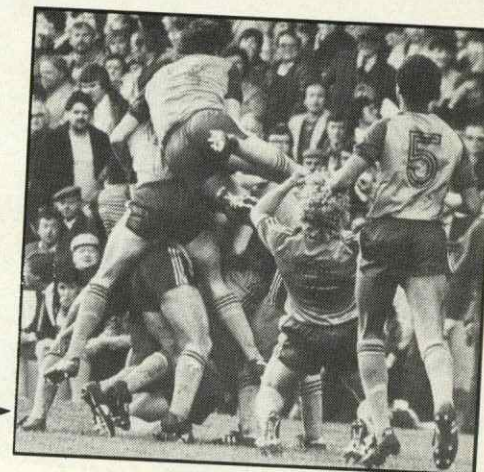
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3. This goal was scored by Barry (Bullet) Butlin and proved to be the most important one of the season. The match was at West Bromwich Albion on Saturday 27th April 1974 and this goal put the Town in the First Division. The result of the match was a 1-1 draw.

4. Supporters won't forget these scenes for some time. The place was Maine Road, Manchester, the time approximately 4.35 pm and Raddy Antic has just scored the goal that gave Luton victory over Manchester City by 1-0 and kept the Hatters in the First Division

2. Jimmy Ryan has just scored the equalising goal for the Town in a FA Cup tie at Port Vale in the 83rd minute although Allan West and Jimmy Husband don't look to pleased about it. Former Town captain Brian Horton is between the Luton players and is no doubt making some comment to someone.

sion and sent City down to the Second. Raddy is pictured here somewhere under the pile of jubilant colleagues.

We have other pictures of goals for and against in different seasons and if you would like to see some more and make it a regular feature just let the editor know.

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**Foxes 2
Hatters 2**

- 1 Brian Stein's shot finds the back of the net after running through the Leicester's defence to put the Town one goal ahead.
- 2 A typical David Moss chip is put over the bar by Leicester keeper Ian Andrews.
- 3 Relief from 'Filberts' defence as Hatters search for the equaliser.
- 4 Leicester City's safe hands, keep Mick Harford off the scoresheet in the first-half.

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POINTS OF VIEW

Dear Mr Pleat

Unlike my boyfriend Simon, I have not really been a long time supporter of Luton Town, or indeed of football itself, but Simon recently introduced me to Oak Road and the Luton Town matches. I really enjoy myself at every match and wish I had taken an earlier interest as unfortunately a month ago I had to leave England and football and come to live in Germany for six and a half months. I really miss the matches but luckily Simon sends me every programme which I read from cover to cover.

Anyway, I am just writing to thank you and your team for the fun and excitement we have had at your matches and to thank Simon for sending the programmes. Luckily I am coming home for Christmas, so on Boxing Day, we shall be there giving the Hatters all our support.

Thank you again.

**Melissa Harty
Oberursel 4, West Germany**

PS: Thanks too for playing 'I just called to say...' by Stevie Wonder — it means a lot to Simon and I as phone calls are now so important to us!

Dear Sir

Mr Pleat preaches attractive, attacking soccer, the sort that should bring in large crowds. However, although I believe the clubs philosophy is right, the spectators only flock to see a successful team. Luton's had a couple of near misses at promotion then had a 'glory' championship year, followed by two or three seasons fighting for their First Division lives. This will never pull in vast quantities of supporters. What we at Kenilworth Road really need is a good Cup run. Let's hope that we can beat Stoke City on 5th January and get back onto the 'Wembley Trail'.

Many thanks.

**G. A. Evans
Whitwell, Worksop, Notts S80 4RH.**

Dear Sir

I am just writing to say how much I enjoyed watching Luton Town in the match against Arsenal at Highbury. Having watched many games from the famous North Bank it made a pleasant change to see an away team prepared to attack and I felt the eventual score didn't do the game justice. (The recent match against an ultra negative QPR is still very fresh in my mind). In fact I was so impressed I very nearly became a converted Luton fan — but not quite! May I wish you and your players the very best of luck for the remainder of the season — with the possible exception of May 4th.

Yours sincerely

**John Homewood
Tunbridge Wells, Kent**

PS: If it is any consolation to me being an Arsenal fan, my brother is a Luton fan so I will probably be at a few Luton games this season. I look forward to it.

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Our mascot is Matthew Herbert aged 10 from Flamstead. He attends Flamstead J.M.I. School and plays football for Markyate West End and his school team. His interests are football, snooker and darts.

ESCORTS

Darren Woolmer from St Albans is aged seven and attends Cunningham Hill Junior School. His interests are football, records and swimming.

Paul Harvey Smyth is aged 11 and attends Hitchin School. He plays football for West Hill United and his school team. His interests are football, collecting Luton Town souvenirs and motor bike riding.

Paul Miles from Leighton Buzzard is aged 11 and attends Gilbert Inglefield School. He plays football for Leighton Corinthians and his interests are football, table tennis, swimming and computers.

Christopher Rizza from Luton is aged seven and attends Ferrars Infant School. His interests are swimming, football and cycling.



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v
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When supporters ring in on our mainline switchboard the person that they will first speak to is our receptionist Jennifer Fitzgerald. Jennifer, has been with the club since March of this year, joining soon after moving up to Markyate from her home town of Bristol.



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Saturday 8th December 1984
Football Combination
WEST HAM 1 LUTON TOWN 2

West Ham started off the game at a very quick pace and were soon threatening down Luton's left flank. The Town started the game nervously and a little bit unsure, due to a late change of system, and the unfortunate withdrawal of Rob Johnson due to injury. The Town's back four stood firm. As the half wore on Luton pushed more and more into the game and threatened several times to score the vital first goal. Marcus Tuite making his Combination debut for the Town took a ball on the run and sped into their box to lay on a perfect pull back for David Oldfield to sidefoot the first goal in the 43rd minute.

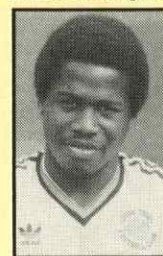
The second-half began with Luton looking more compact in the mid-field, but after 10 minutes conceded a silly foul that led to West Ham's equaliser.

Straight from kick-off the Town was unlucky not to regain the lead their final shot hitting the crossbar and bounced over. Again Luton pressed forward and a header and a shot from good positions went sailing over the bar.

Just as it looked as if the Town might regret these misses, Ray Daniel picked up a loose ball and struck the post. From the rebound Mark Stein got the ball, beat one defender and hit a fierce shot that the goalkeeper got a hand to, but failed to keep out of the net. The Town had to defend quite a bit from then until the end, but had more isolated chances to increase their lead.

A good team performance with everyone working hard to achieve a result against experienced opposition.

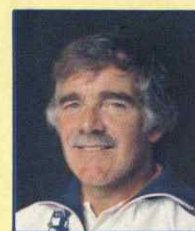
TEAM: North M, Tuite, Ellisdon, McAllister, North S, Thomas, Cobb, Stein M, Oldfield, Daniel, McEvoy. Sub: Moore.



RAY DANIEL



JOHN MOORE



DAVID COATES

Tuesday 4th December 1984
Youth Cup
LUTON TOWN 0 TOTTENHAM 2

As in the Southern Junior Floodlight Cup we came second best to the 'Spurs'. Our defence was much more solid than last time with Stephen Mokler having an outstanding first-half and the young centre-halves Duncan Berry and Ian Scott playing well throughout, although giving away two years experience to their opponents.

Tottenham finally went ahead just before half-time and scored a decisive second after 62 minutes. Our youngsters never gave up and Paul Lewis, our Welsh Schoolboy striker

played really well. However we missed the injured David Oldfield and in the end the strength and experience of Tottenham gave them a deserved win through to the next round.

TEAM: S. Mokler, M. Doughty, D. Berry, I. Scott, R. Harvey, M. Tuite, R. McEvoy, A. Ellisdon, P. Lewis, G. Cobb, K. Black. Sub: A. Tighe.

Saturday 8th December 1984
South East Counties League
SWINDON TOWN 0 LUTON TOWN 2

This turned out to be a very hard encounter on a difficult pitch and against a very determined Swindon side. Their two strikers were their best players but Ian Scott and Marvin Johnson finally cut their effectiveness with very good displays. Stephen Mokler gave an excellent exhibition of goalkeeping, Michael Oyston made a creditable debut and Sean Farrell did many fine things, not least keeping up his records of scoring in every match a total of six goals in five games.

It was his finishing from Michael Oyston's through pass that put us ahead in the 35th minute and Michael Oyston himself sealed victory after 55 minutes with a fine shot.

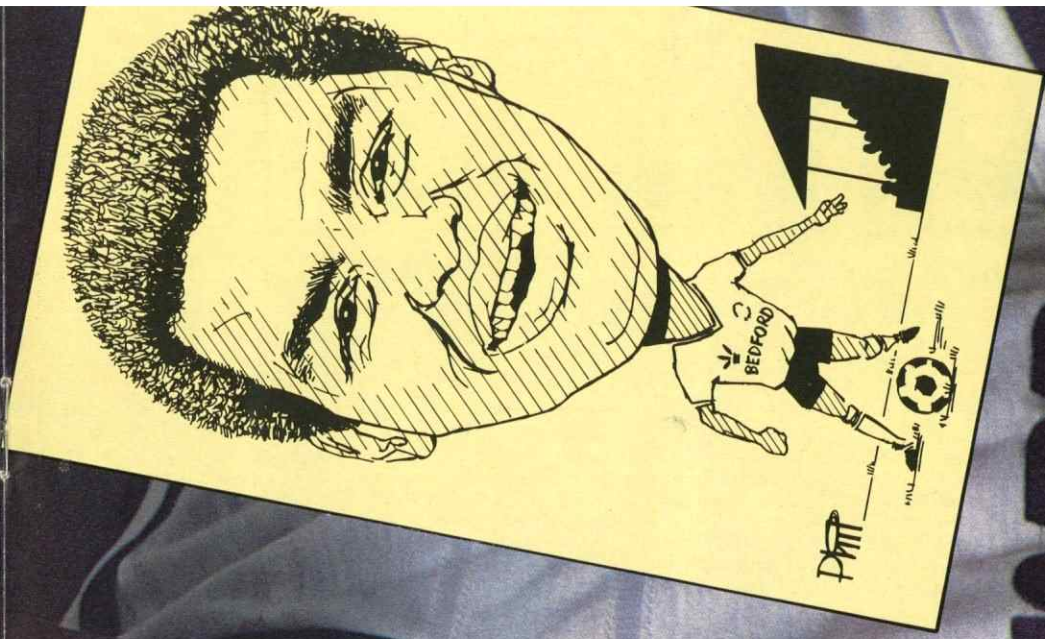
TEAM: S. Mokler, M. Mahoney, I. Scott, M. Johnson, R. Harvey, M. Oyston, S. Gyalog, A. Tighe, P. Lewis, S. Farrell, K. Black. Subs: J. Bone, M. Bowden. Scorers: S. Farrell, M. Oyston.

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Coventry manager Bobby Gould was hoping to give the Highfield Road fans an early Christmas present when he made a £110,000 bid for Heart's Scottish Under-21 midfielder David Bowman just before the Festive Season got underway.

'We've been searching for a ball winning midfielder and Bowman comes into that category,' said Gould who has been concerned for some time about City's failings in midfield.

'In all successful sides the midfield is the engine room... and for a variety of reasons we've not had the balance I would have liked there this season,' he added.

It has been another spell of inconsistency and disappointing results for Coventry since the season kicked off and just before entering the busy holiday programme, City found themselves in the bottom three with just four wins to show from their first 18 matches.

Gould, who returned to Coventry as manager in May 1983, has certainly rung the changes in players since taking over. He's been involved in 25 signings, totalling in excess of a million pounds.

Before his moves to sign Bowman, his two most recent trips into a transfer market he knows so well were for former England men Cyrille Regis from West Bromwich Albion and winger Peter Barnes from Leeds.

They were added to a list of new faces signed during the summer that included Kenny Hibbitt from Wolves, goalkeeper Steve Ogrizovic from Shrewsbury, Luton's Kirk

Stephens, Notts County defender Brian Kilcline, another former England striker Bob Latchford and Dutchman Martin Jol, taken on a free transfer from West Bromwich.

Not surprisingly, the side took a while to settle in, starting off the campaign with a defeat at Aston Villa, a home draw against Norwich and then their first win against Leicester.

Injuries, too, have not helped the Sky Blues find a pattern over the first half of the season and as Gould says: 'It really would be nice to be able to announce an unchanged team every now and again. That's not really been possible so far and new players need time to settle in and adjust.'

Coventry's successful move for Regis surprised a few people in the game. Gould had been promising his supporters a big name buy and after a bid for Villa's England man Peter Withe had been turned down he switched to Regis who had been struggling for a while to find the form that made him an England target man not so long ago.

Barnes spent three unhappy years with Leeds, including a season when he was loaned out to the Spanish club Real Betis and at the time of the signings, Gould said that he hoped he could help Regis and Barnes rediscover the form that made them England men a few seasons ago.

It's early days yet, but the Coventry boss was delighted with Barnes' form in a recent defeat at Liverpool.

Probably the best displays from Coventry's new men over the first half of the season have come from keeper Steve Ogrizovic, once understudy to Ray Clemence at Anfield



BOBBY GOULD

before a move into the Second Division with Shrewsbury.

Although Coventry's defensive record includes heavy defeats at Chelsea (6-2) and West Bromwich (5-2), the former policeman has been in fine form and Coventry's problems, as Gould had pointed out, have tended to be further forward in midfield.

Former Kenilworth Road favourite Stephens has settled in well at full back with former Gillingham man Micky Adams occupying the other slot alongside big man Kilcline and skipper Trevor Peake.

City have used various permutations in midfield involving Hibbitt, who spent 16 years at Wolves, Dave Bennett and Michael Gynn with Barnes out wide on the left in recent games.

Up front Regis shares the main striking roles alongside former Tottenham man Terry Gibson who was the Sky Blues' leading scorer last season with 17 League goals, including a hat-trick against Liverpool.

Latchford, back in England after a brief spell in Holland, has mainly been on the sidelines since Regis' arrival while young defender Ian Butterworth who won his first England Under-21 cap in Turkey recently, lost his place following the defeat at West Bromwich at the end of last month.

As the New Year approaches, Coventry have a proud tradition to maintain. Although they've rarely looked like setting the First Division on fire in recent seasons, the Sky Blues have been in the top flight now for 18 seasons... and only Arsenal and the two Merseyside clubs can match that record of First Division consistency.

With an ambitious manager, a wealthy chairman who has pledged that funds are available for further strengthening the side, Coventry will be hoping that 1985 brings a change of fortunes and a speedy climb away from the relegation zone.

City would also like to make some progress in the FA Cup after a disastrous defeat by Third Division Walsall in an early round of the Milk Cup. Manchester City are the visitors to Highfield Road next week for a game that gives City the chance to open the New Year in style.

Back row (left to right): Trevor Peake, Martin Jol, Steve Ogrizovic, Brian Kilcline, Perry Suckling, Graham Withey, Ian Butterworth.

Middle row: Kirk Stephens, Stuart Pearce, Nicky Platnauer, Bob Latchford, Andy Spring, Kenny Hibbitt, Dave Bennett, Peter Hormantschuk.

Front row: Keith Thompson, Terry Gibson, Micky Adams, Bobby Gould (Manager), Micky Gynn, Martin Singleton, Lloyd McGrath.



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Attendance: 10,476



JOHN WILKINSON

The Town's mid-week signing Mick Harford salvaged a point with a last minute goal. He was also involved in the move that led to Brian Stein giving the Town the lead in the 36th minute. Steve Lynex missed a chance to put the home side on level terms when Leicester were awarded a penalty after 39 minutes but his shot went wide of the post. The Town went in at half-time one goal in the lead but they should have been further ahead because they had missed a few golden opportunities. Two goals in a four-minute spell by City really rocked the Town. Lynex made amends for his penalty miss seven minutes into the half and four minutes later Alan Smith caught the Town defense pushing up and ran from near the half-way line to score his fourth goal in three games. The Town brought on substitute Mitchell Thomas for Gary Parker and Tim Breacker was pushed into midfield a move that paid off. A good run down the right-wing by Breacker enabled him to get in a good cross and Harford was on hand to head the equaliser with only five seconds of the game left. Both sides had played some good football and both sets of supporters must have enjoyed the match but must have been mystified by some of the referee's decisions. Harford said after the match 'It was a special sort of debut for me, we deserved a point, if not more. It was a great feeling to see the ball hit the back of the net.'

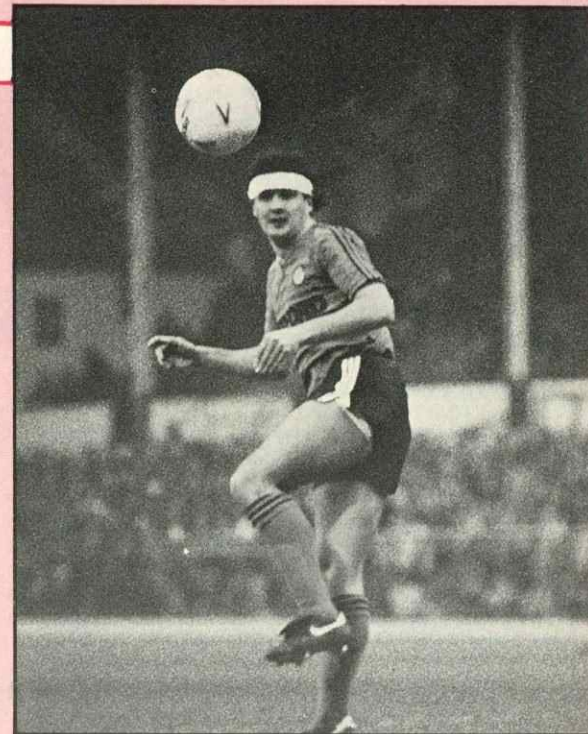
LEICESTER CITY: Andrews, Feeley, Wilson, Smith (B), Williams, O'Neill, Lynex, Eastoe, Smith (A), Ramsey, Banks. Sub: Jones.
LUTON TOWN: Sealey, Breacker, Turner, Parker, Foster, Donaghy, Hill, Stein, Harford, Preece, Moss. Sub: Thomas.

DID YOU KNOW

Our last home win against Aston Villa was the 1,000 win in the Football League win by the club since its formation in 1885.



Brian Stein's determination with the ball on the edge of Leicester City's goal area.



Typical action shot of our centre-back Steve Foster at Filbert Street, Leicester.



Tight control by Brian Stein highlights a flat footed Leicester defence.



Hatters create space in midfield, to produce another first-half attack.

AROUND THE TOWN

WALSALL v LUTON TOWN Tuesday 13th November 1984 CHARITY MATCH FOR THE STUART BATHURST SCHOOL TRUST

The tragedy of September touched the hearts of many up and down the country. Therefore it was no surprise on learning of the terrible tragedy that had befallen the athletic youngsters from Stuart Bathurst School that David Pleat, players, directors and staff of Luton Town agreed to play a match against Walsall to contribute in a small way to the Trust Fund set up to aid the boys' families. We were asked to print a tribute to the way the club responded. A small selection of letters of thanks from families and school children of Bathurst School.

Dear Mr Pleat,
I would like to take this opportunity, to express our sincere thanks to you and your players and staff, for the kindness they are showing by taking part in this football match.

My brother Christopher was killed in the accident, and I know how much he would have appreciated the thought that Luton Town Football Club are showing.

It has meant a lot to my Mum and Dad and brother Dale to realise how much people care, especially the people from your club, who have travelled a long way to show their kindness.

Sincere thanks, God Bless,
M. P. Blackham, West Midlands

Dear Mr Pleat,
As a parent of children at Stuart Bathurst High School I would like to thank you most sincerely for your most generous gesture in playing last week's charity match. Thanks also to your directors and players for their part.

I will always have a feeling of gratitude to you personally and Luton Town FC for your kind action at this sad time and I am sure that this feeling is common to many others connected with the school.

May I wish you and the club every success in the future. I have written similarly to Walsall FC.

Kind regards,
Jim Willetts, West Bromwich, West Midlands

Dear Mr Pleat,
Please accept our sincere thanks for organising the match with Walsall FC last Tuesday for the Stuart Bathurst families.

We have been very touched by all the kindness shown to us in our loss but are particularly grateful to you and the other people in the football world who went to so much effort on our behalf. Perhaps you would convey our thanks to your players and all at Luton Town, plus the referee and linesmen, for their gesture and for an enjoyable game? Wishing you, personally, and Luton every success this season and in the future.

Yours sincerely,
John, Mary, Anthony Kinsella, Birmingham

'From your Greatest Fan'
Best wishes and every success to you David and all the lads at Luton Town FC.

Thanks,
Greg Hall, Stuart Bathurst School
P.S. I hope David Preece has great success with you.

As our manager David Pleat stated in the charity programme 'I know this football game tonight will not alleviate the heart break for so many people, but I believe it can show the respect that professional footballers have for young decent schoolboys who loved the game.'

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Today we welcome to the Bedfordshire Suite our Executive sponsors Ray Beresford Trading Electrics Ltd locally known as RBT Electrics Ltd. The company was formed in April 1976 by Ray Beresford who has built the company up over the last 10 years to its present level where he now employs 72 people. The business is run from office shop and warehouse premises in High Town Road and in addition new premises are being built to cater for the rapidly expanding robotics side of the business. The company's work takes them all over the UK and are as far away as Sweden and Holland.

In addition to today's sponsorship Ray is actively involved in local football as President of Lewsey Park FC for whom he is currently building a Football and Social Club at Lewsey Park.

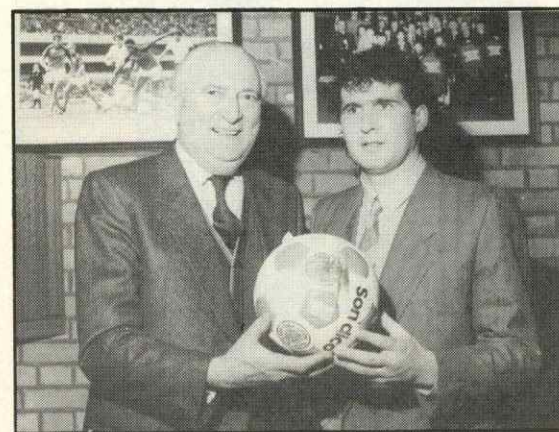
A STRONG DEFENCE

The players may sometimes think that Trevor Hartley our first team coach, can be a bit fierce. Perhaps his hobby of training German Shepherds with his wife Julie rubs off! . . . Joking aside, Trevor finds his two show dogs Kezi and William take considerable amounts of their free time, as their trophy cabinet at home testifies.



EX-CHAIRMAN PROVES HIS KNOWLEDGE

It was a pleasure to have with us as guest of W. H. Allsops at their recent sponsorship of the Aston Villa match our ex-Chairman Mr Robert Keens. Mr Keens accurately forecast the match score at the same time subtly making the point that Football Club Chairman have a great knowledge about the game than they are often given credit for. Mr Keens is pictured receiving his award from our club captain Steve Foster.



MERRY CHRISTMAS FROM WALLSPAN

Generosity has always been the trademark of Wallspan's Chairman and Managing Director Mr Terry Bailey as many individuals, clubs and charities will testify. Once again our club director Mr Bailey proved to be Father Christmas this time to Woolgrove School Letchworth when he presented them with a Variety Club of Great Britain Sunshine Coach. Pictured with Terry as he presents the coach a BEDFORD of course, is John Ratcliffe, Chief Barker elect of Variety Club of Great Britain, Town player Paul Elliott and Andy Dibble and Gary Shaw and Paul Kerr from Aston Villa.



SMILING FACES

It was pleasing to get back to winning ways against Aston Villa and that pleasure is reflected in the faces of Mary Doherty and Brian Stein as Mary of B. Doherty Ltd receives the autographed ball from Brian.



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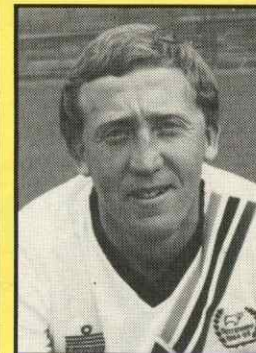
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WHERE ARE THEY NOW

STEVE BUCKLEY

Steve joined the Town from Barton Albion and came with a reputation of a fast goal-scoring winger. Injuries amongst the Town defenders saw Steve make his first team debut at left-back and has not looked back ever since. In the four years he was at Kenilworth Road he won over the supporters with enthusiastic displays and overlapping runs down the left-wing. Many clubs began to take notice of this stocky player and after making over 120 appearances for the Town Tommy Docherty came in with an offer that Luton could not refuse and in January 1978 saw him join Derby County where he has made over 200 League appearances. Suffered recently with injuries but is now back to full fitness and enjoying his football as much as ever. He still has a powerful shot in his left-foot as many goalkeepers in the three divisions he has played in will testify. He has a brother Allan who is now manager of Walsall.



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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	0-4	11,720	10
Sept 4	H	Liverpool	1-2	14,127	13
Sept 8	H	Southampton	1-1	8,657	17
Sept 16	A	Nottingham Forest	1-3	18,605	19
Sept 22	H	Chelsea	0-0	16,066	19
Sept 25	A	Orient (MC2 1L)	4-1	4,500	—
Sept 29	A	Tottenham Hotspur	2-4	30,204	—
Oct 6	A	Queens Park Rangers	3-2	12,051	19
Oct 9	H	Orient (MC2 2L)	3-1	3,374	—
Oct 13	H	Sheffield Wednesday	1-2	10,285	19
Oct 20	H	Watford	3-2	10,192	19
Oct 27	A	Sunderland	0-3	19,280	21
Oct 30	H	Leicester City (MC3)	*3-1	8,015	—
Nov 3	H	Newcastle United	2-2	10,009	20
Nov 10	A	Norwich City	0-3	14,395	20
Nov 17	A	Manchester United	0-2	42,776	21
Nov 20	A	Sheffield Wed. (MC4)	2-4	18,313	—
Nov 24	H	West Ham United	2-2	10,789	21
Dec 1	A	Arsenal	1-3	26,366	21
Dec 8	H	Aston Villa	1-0	7,696	21
Dec 15	A	Leicester City	2-2	10,476	22

1984-85 RESULTS · ATTENDANCES · APPEARANCES · GOALSCORERS

	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12
Aug 25	Dibble	Thomas	Grimes	Breacker	North S	Donaghy	Hill	Stein B	Elliott S ¹	Bunn ¹	Moss	Turner
Aug 28	Dibble	Thomas	Grimes	Breacker	North S	Donaghy	Hill	Stein B	Elliott S	Bunn +	Moss ¹	Nwajobi
Sept 1	Dibble	Thomas	Grimes	Breacker +	North S	Donaghy	Hill	Stein B	Elliott S	Bunn	Moss	Nwajobi
Sept 4	Dibble	Thomas	Grimes	Breacker	Elliott P	Donaghy ¹	Hill	Stein B	Elliott S +	Turner	Moss	Nwajobi
Sept 8	Dibble	Thomas	Grimes	Parker	Elliott P	Donaghy	Hill	Stein B	Nwajobi	Turner +	Moss ¹	Bunn
Sept 16	Dibble	Thomas	Grimes	Turner +	Elliott P	Donaghy	Hill	Stein B	Nwajobi	Bunn	Moss ¹	Parker
Sept 22	Dibble	Thomas	Grimes	Turner	Elliott P	Donaghy	Hill	Stein B	Nwajobi	Bunn	Moss	Parker
Sept 25	Dibble	Thomas	Grimes	Turner	Elliott P	Donaghy ¹	Hill	Stein ²	Bunn	Hilaire	Nwajobi +	Parker ¹
Sept 29	Dibble	Thomas	Grimes	Turner	Elliott P	Donaghy	Hill	Stein	Bunn ¹ +	Hilaire	Moss ¹	Parker
Oct 6	Dibble	Thomas	Grimes	Turner	Elliott P ¹	Donaghy	Hill	Stein ¹	Elliott S ¹	Parker	Moss	Hilaire
Oct 9	Dibble	Thomas	Grimes	Turner	Elliott P +	Donaghy	Hill	Stein ¹	Elliott S ¹	Bunn ¹	Moss	Hilaire
Oct 13	Dibble	Thomas	Turner	Bunn ¹	Elliott P	Donaghy	Hill	Stein	Elliott S	Hilaire	Moss +	Parker
Oct 20	Findlay	Thomas	Turner	Parker	Elliott P	Donaghy	Hill	Stein	Elliott S ¹	Bunn ²	Hilaire	Breacker
Oct 27	Findlay	Thomas	Turner	Parker +	Elliott P	Donaghy	Hill	Stein	Elliott S	Bunn	Hilaire	Breacker
Oct 30	Dibble	Breacker	Turner	Todd	Elliott P +	Donaghy ¹	Hill	Stein	Elliott S	Bunn	Moss ¹	Parker
Nov 3	Dibble	Breacker	Turner	Todd	North S	Donaghy	Hill	Stein ¹	Elliott S	Parker ¹	Daniel +	Hilaire
Nov 10	Dibble	Breacker	Turner	Todd	North S	Donaghy	Hill	Stein	Bunn	Parker	Moss +	Nwajobi
Nov 17	Dibble +	Breacker	Turner	North S	Droy	Donaghy	Hill	Stein	Elliott S	Bunn	Hilaire	Parker
Nov 20	Findlay	Breacker	Turner +	North S	Droy	Donaghy	Hill	Stein	Elliott S ²	Bunn	Hilaire	Parker
Nov 24	Findlay	Breacker	Donaghy	Turner	Droy +	North S	Hill	Stein ¹	Elliott S	Bunn	Nwajobi ¹	Parker
Dec 1	Sealey	Breacker	Thomas	Turner	Foster	Donaghy	Hill	Stein ¹	Elliott S	Bunn +	Parker	Nwajobi
Dec 8	Sealey	Breacker	Turner	Parker	Foster	Donaghy	Hill	Stein	Bunn	Preece ¹	Moss	Nwajobi
Dec 15	Sealey	Breacker	Turner	Parker +	Foster	Donaghy	Hill	Stein ¹	Harford ¹	Preece	Moss	Thomas

Dec 18 H West Bromwich Albion

Dec 26 H Coventry City

Dec 29 A Liverpool

Jan 1 A Everton

Jan 5 H Stoke City (FAC 3)

Jan 12 H Nottingham Forest

Jan 19 A Stoke City

Jan 26 (FAC 4)

Feb 2 H Tottenham Hotspur

Feb 9 A Southampton

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 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

FIRST TEAM APPS 1984-85

	League	Cups
	App	Gls
Breacker	11(1)	2
Bunn	14(1)	5
Daniel	1	—
Dibble	13	—
Donaghy	19	1
Droy	2	—
Elliott P	9	1
Elliott S	12	3
Findlay	3	—
Foster	3	—
Grimes	9	—
Harford	1	—
Hilaire	5(1)	—
Hill	19	—
Moss	13	4
North S	7	—
Nwajobi	4(5)	1
Parker	9(5)	1
Preece	2	—
Sealey	3	—
Stein B	19	5
Thomas	13(1)	—
Todd	2	—
Turner	16	—
Own goal	—	—

Figures in brackets denotes substitute

RES TEAM APPS 84-85

	App	Gls
Berry	1	—
Bunn	3	—
Breacker	8	—
Cobb	11(2)	3
Daniel	14	5
Doughty	3	—
Elliott P	1	—
Elliott S	4	2
Ellisdon	16(1)	—
Findlay	9	—
Grimes	1	—
Harvey	1(3)	1
Hilaire	5	—
Johnson	5	—
McAlister	3	—
McEvoy	11(1)	—
Moore	11(1)	—
Moss	4	3
North M	18	2
North S	12	—
Nwajobi	11	16
Oldfield	15(1)	6
Parker	5	3
Sealey	5	—
Stein M	18	10
Thomas	5	—
Todd	2	—
Tuite	2(1)	—
Turner	1	—

CANON LEAGUE DIVISION ONE 84-85

	P	W	D	L	F	A	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Everton	19	6	3	1	26	10	5	1	3	14	13	37
Tottenham	19	6	2	1	25	10	5	1	4	14	9	36
Manchester United	19	7	3	0	25	6	3	2	4	13	18	35
Arsenal	19	8	2	0	23	6	3	0	6	15	19	35
Southampton	19	6	2	1	10	5	2	5	3	13	14	31
Chelsea	19	7	1	2	24	9	0	6	3	7	11	28
Sheffield Wednesday	19	5	3	1	20	11	2	4	4	9	10	28
Liverpool	19	3	4	2	11	7	4	3	3	13	12	28
WBA	19	6	2	1	22	9	2	2	6	10	19	28
Norwich City	19	6	3	0	18	8	1	3	6	9	18	27
Nottingham Forest	19	6	1	2	18	11	2	2	6	11	20	27
West Ham United	19	5	3	2	12	6	2	3	4	11	19	27
Sunderland	19	6	2	1	16	9	1	3	6	11	17	26
Newcastle United	19	5	3	2	17	11	1	4	4	15	24	25
Leicester City	19	5	2	3	23	15	1	2	6	10	22	22
QPR	19	5	3	1	19	10	0	4	6	4	22	22
Watford	19	3	3	4	21	20	2	3	4	16	18	21
Aston Villa	19	4	4	2	13	12	1	2	6	8	21	21
Ipswich Town	19	3	4	3	13	13	1	3	5	6	13	19
Coventry City	19	4	3	3	10	11	1	1	7	9	22	19
Luton Town	19	3	4	2	13	11	1	2	7	10	27	18
Stoke City	19	1	2	6	11	21	0	3	7	3	22	8

FOOTBALL COMBINATION 1984-85

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Watford	19	13	3	3	49	27	29
Queens Park Rangers	18	11	4	3	51	24	26
Tottenham Hotspur	18	12	2	4	64	38	26
Luton Town	17	10	2	5	50	32	22
Arsenal	17	9	4	4	43	26	22
Southampton	17	9	4	4	40	33	22
Chelsea	14	9	3	2	27	15	21
Brighton	15	8	4	3	30	18	20
Ipswich Town	17	9	2	6	25	13	20
West Ham United	19	6	5	8	30	21	17
Oxford United	19	6	5	8	29	38	17
Millwall	16	6	4	6	22	26	16
Norwich City	19	4	8	7	36	41	16
Reading	16	6	0	10	25	40	12
Charlton Athletic	15	5	2	8	20	41	12
Swansea City	14	3	5	6	19	30	11
Crystal Palace	17	4	3	10	20	38	11
Swindon Town	15	4	2	9	15	34	10
Portsmouth	15	2	5	8	15	24	9
Fulham	13	3	2	8	14	19	8
Birmingham City	12	2	3	7	13	23	7
Bristol Rovers	18	2	2	14	24	59	6

Up to and including Saturday 8th December 1984

SOUTH EAST COUNTIES LEAGUE FIXTURES 1984-85

Date	Opposition	F A	Date	Opposition	F A	Date	Opposition	F A
Aug 25	Swindon	0-0	Oct 20	Wimbledon	4-2	Jan 5	Brighton	
Sept 8	West Ham	3-1	Nov 3	Tottenham	7-1	Jan 12	Bristol Rovers	
Sept 15	Brentford	3-2	Nov 10	Brighton (LCR2)	3-5	Jan 19	Crystal Palace	
Sept 22	Brighton	0-0	Nov 17	Reading	P	Jan 26	Wimbledon	
Sept 29	Reading (LC1)	4-1	Nov 24	Southend	P	Feb 19	Tottenham	
Oct 6	Bristol Rovers	2-0	Dec 1	Oxford	7-1	Feb 16	Reading	
Oct 13	Crystal Palace	2-2	Dec 8	Swindon	2-0	Feb 23	Southend	
Oct 19	Tottenham	3-6	Dec 22	West Ham		Mar 2	Oxford	
(SJFC)			Dec 29	Brentford				

All statistics up to and including Saturday 15th December 1984

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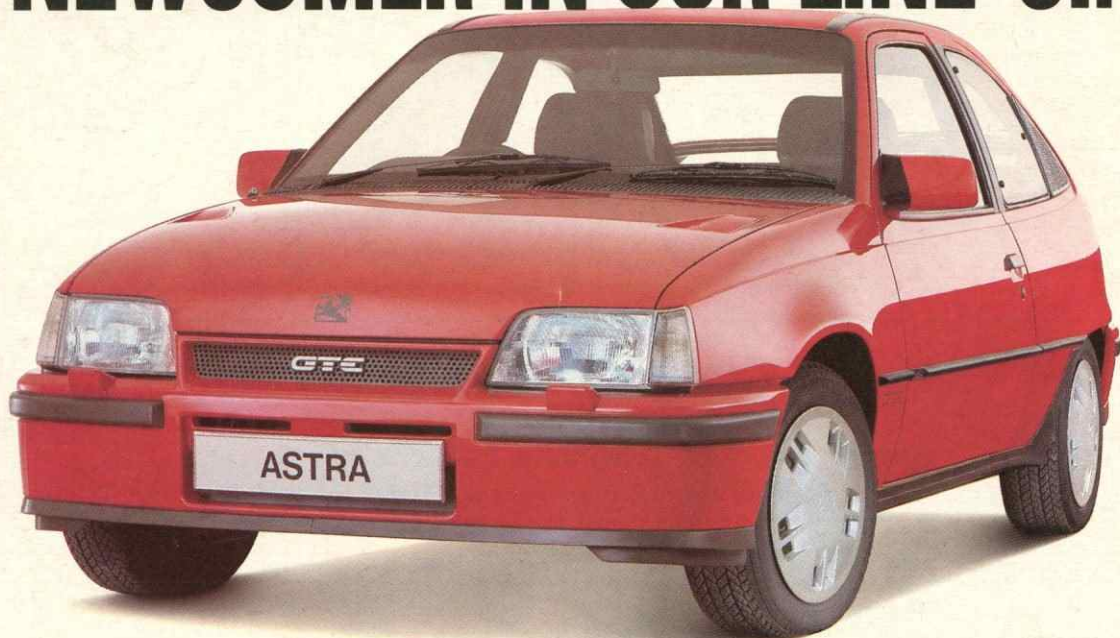
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