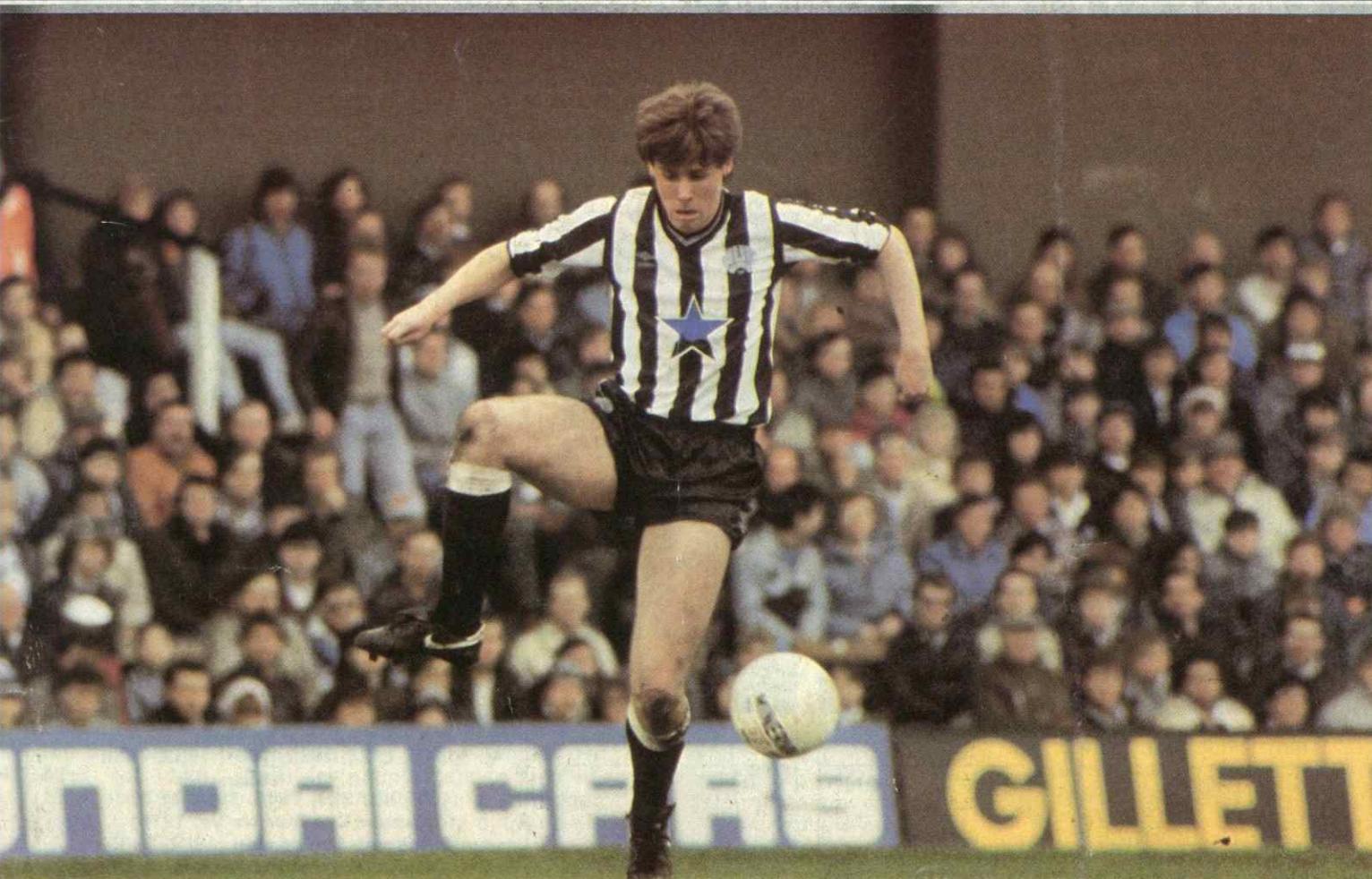




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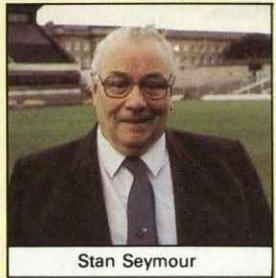
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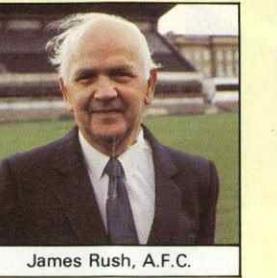
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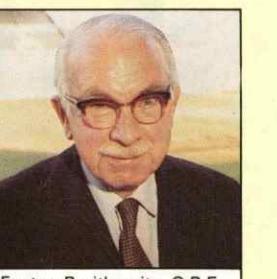
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A MESSAGE FROM THE CHAIRMAN

"Every Newcastle United supporter will know that manager Jack Charlton has left the club. He tendered his resignation shortly after the Sheffield United game here last Saturday week and although the Board of Directors asked him to reconsider he confirmed his decision on the following Tuesday.

"His reasons for leaving have been well documented by the media. In essence he felt that he could not continue in view of the criticism directed at him during the friendly fixture against Sheffield United.

"Jack is his own man and once he had made up his mind to go he could not be persuaded otherwise. The decision was his — and his alone — and he did tell me that he felt that it was best for him, and for Newcastle United, that he went.

"As Chairman I speak for all the directors when I say it was something we did not want. We have had no complaints about his work since he joined us a year ago last June and we thank him

for piloting us into 14th position in the First Division last season.

"When he joined us he said he hoped to be here for a number of years and felt that he could make us a major force in the top flight. We shared those hopes and ambitions and he did make a point of saying on the day he left that he had had unswerving support from the Boardroom at all times.

"His departure is a rather sad chapter in our history, but life has to go on and of course we are doing all we can to secure the services of a manager to build on what we believe is a decent First Division base.

"In the meantime we have men of proven ability and experience within the club to handle team affairs — but I would ask our supporters to bear in mind that losing a manager is invariably a traumatic time for the players.

"The paying customer must always have the freedom to voice his opinions, but I would think we would all accept that encouragement is a

wonderful tonic and confidence booster for the people who ultimately make us all happy — the players.

"These past few months have been very difficult ones for the game we all love so much. The Bradford fire, coming as it did on the same day as the death of a supporter at the Birmingham-Leeds game, plus that horrendous evening when 38 were killed at the European Cup Final in Brussels, have been hammer blows.

"So much has been written, so much has been said. Our clubs have been banned from European competitions, our Government has suggested identity cards, a ban on alcohol and various schemes to stop supporters travelling — to say nothing of much stiffer sentences for those caught misbehaving.

"It is all so very sad — but I am not as pessimistic as some when they talk about the future of the game we gave to the world.

"I honestly believe that the vast majority of people who spend hard-earned money to support their favourite team are honest, decent and law-abiding.

"And I also believe that the majority will triumph over the evil minority. There are too many decent folk still passionately fond of the game to allow the hoodlum element to go on giving it

such a bad name.

"My dearest wish is to see football restored to the family entertainment it once was, when Dads and Mums could bring their children without the fear of violence and obscene chanting.

"We all have a responsibility towards that aim and nothing would give me greater pleasure than to see Newcastle United supporters leading the way.

"I thank each and every one of you for your loyal support last season — an average of over 26,000 for the 21 home League games was very gratifying — and I thank you for the time you've just spent reading these few words.

"Jack Charlton's resignation was a body-blow, coming as it did so soon before the new season opened. But life has to go on. Newcastle United has suffered setbacks in the past, too many to think of perhaps.

"But here we are looking forward to another First Division season — to the thrills and spills that make Soccer so magnificently unpredictable.

"Let's enjoy it, no matter what the results. Because if we can't enjoy it then the game really is in trouble!"

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Mick Harford

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MICK CHASES LEAGUE TON

Mick Harford opened the current campaign needing just four more goals to reach his 'ton' in League soccer. He was hoping to have got off the mark swiftly against Nottingham Forest on Saturday and will be eager to move closer to his target at St. James' Park this evening.

Mick was born in Sunderland, of course, was a Newcastle player for a few months in 1980/81.

After three successful seasons with Lincoln City, he was transferred to Newcastle for £216,000 — a record for a Fourth Division player — in December 1980.

Sadly, he didn't really settle here so, during the 1981 close season, he moved on to Bristol City in a £150,000 deal.

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Luton signed him for £250,000 during the early weeks of last season and he enjoyed a hugely successful season for the Hatters, scoring 16 goals.

Here we analyse his career to date, showing his season-by-season appearances, substitute appearances and all his goals.

LEAGUE

SEASON	APP.	SUB. APP.	GOALS
77/78	25	2	9
78/79	28	3	6
79/80	35	1	16
80/81	39	1	14
81/82	42	—	20
82/83	29	—	6
83/84	39	—	8
84/85	34	—	17
CAREER TOTALS	271	7	96

F.A. CUP

SEASON	APP.	SUB. APP.	GOALS
77/78	—	—	—
78/79	1	—	—
79/80	1	—	—
80/81	1	—	—
81/82	5	—	2
82/83	2	—	—
83/84	5	—	2
84/85	8	—	1
CAREER TOTALS	23	—	5

MILK CUP

SEASON	APP.	SUB. APP.	GOALS
77/78	—	—	—
78/79	2	—	—
79/80	2	—	—
80/81	4	—	5
81/82	5	—	1
82/83	—	—	—
83/84	7	—	5
84/85	3	—	1
CAREER TOTALS	23	—	12

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UNITED GREATS

by Paul Joannou

No. 1 JACKIE MILBURN

"Wor Jackie" is synonymous with Newcastle and its folk. Everyone, football follower or not, knows of United's dynamic centre-forward of the fifties. A living legend whose deeds will be handed down for many generations to come.

Born in Ashington only a few days after United had lifted the F.A. Cup at Wembley in 1924, he was christened with the appropriate initials of J.E.T.....John Edward Thompson. He is a member of what is the greatest footballing family in Britain which started back in 1888 when the first Jack Milburn played for Northumberland.

Jack No. 2 was a schoolboy international, then the family really began to grow when this Milburn had six sons and five daughters! All the sons played football and two of Ashington lads produced a whole line of first class players. Alec produced Jackie (No. 4), while Tanner Milburn's side of the family produced four other sons who operated in League soccer; George, Stan, Jim and Jack (No. 3). All bar Stan, who appeared for Chesterfield and Leicester, were with Leeds United. All were tough and famed pre-war performers.

The Milburn family tree becomes further entangled as their sister, Cissie, is of course mother to Jackie and Bobby Charlton. What a family and it was Jack (No. 4), our Milburn remember, who really put the clan in the headlines when he became an England international during the 1948/49 season.

But back to his early days. Jackie left school in 1938, aged 14. Instead of going down the pit the young Milburn took a job in Dorking as a pantry-boy washing dishes, far flung from his future success.

Home sickness soon drove the youngster back to his native north-east where he started his football career assisting Hurst Old Boys and later Ashington YMCA from the centre-half position. War in 1939 saw Jack attempt to join the Navy but at only 5'0" he was rejected. Twelve months later he had shot up in height to 5'10" and had become an apprentice fitter at the local colliery. His football progress was outstanding. He appeared for the County and was soon at St. James' Park making an impression.

It was in August 1943 that Stan Seymour signed Milburn on a semi-pro basis. He immediately made his debut for the first eleven at the Valley Parade, home of Bradford City. United went down 2-1. Jackie vividly recalls that game today.

"The most memorable moment of my career, even those Wembley victories can't match it. To pull on the black'n white jersey for the first time was something special". Jack also recalls who netted Bradford's goals that day. "Yes, it was a gritty Yorkshireman by the name of Joe Harvey. He's been part of my life ever since!"

The following match was Jack's home debut and it took him only two minutes to show the Geordie public what was to follow, the first of nearly 250 goals scored for United. It was achieved with his first kick tool Jackie continued on the wing



JACKIE MILBURN
August 1943 - June 1957
395 games; 199 goals

during those mid-forties, showing the swiftness of foot that was to create many goals from the centre-forward position. That position change occurred in October 1947 and his first game in the Number 9 jersey resulted in a hat-trick against Bury. Promotion was achieved in that same season with Milburn claiming 21 goals, Newcastle's top scorer.

In Division One for the first time, he went off like a bomb and was soon representing the Football League and England. He went on to play 13 times for England, scoring 9 goals, with his last cap coming in 1956. To many judges it was a dozen appearances to few. By the turn of the decade, Milburn had forged a highly productive partnership with George Robledo. In five seasons together they notched up almost 200 goals and

were the spearhead of United's double Wembley glory of 1951 and 1952.

It was, of course, in the first of those Finals that Jackie had his greatest hour, scoring two goals which typified his play. Blackpool were the opposition and the media classed United's success a one man show.

"It was anything but that" recalls Jackie, "but I enjoyed the goals". The first, a solo effort beating the offside trap, and the second, still to anyone who looks at it on video now, one of the best at Wembley ever. Taking a back-heel from little Ernie Taylor, Milburn crashed a 30 yarder into the top corner like a rocket.

Another Final followed in 1955, and another goal. Jack remained at Gallowgate until the summer of 1957 when he moved to Linfield as playermanager. Late in January 1963 he tried senior management with Ipswich. It proved a rather rough passage; possibly he was too nice a guy to wander in that jungle and he left East Anglia to return north in 1964.

Jack then joined the newspaper world where he still remains, covering United's matches from the press-box. Never being devoid of constructive words he says: "It's no use telling lies. I couldn't live with myself. If I have a point of view I'll print it even if it clashes with other peoples' notions."

Now a Freeman of the City, Jackie Milburn remains a genuine and modest individual. When chatting about his testimonial in 1967 he said: "I was worried to death that no-one would turn up. Ten years after playing is a long time, people forget." Jack modest as ever, should have known better. Geordies don't forget heroes; almost 46,000 crowded into St. James' Park. As Jackie says: "The most unforgettable evening of my life".

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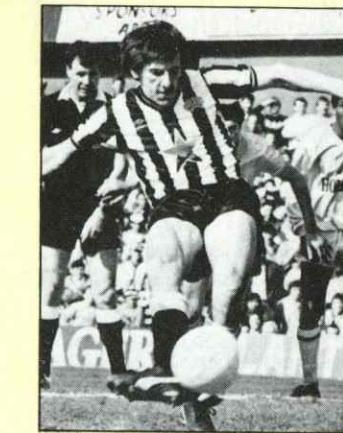
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BACKTRACK



PETER'S TIMING WAS SPOT ON

Peter Beardsley timed most things just right last season - and that enabled him to pick up the biggest single prize ever offered a player at St. James' Park.

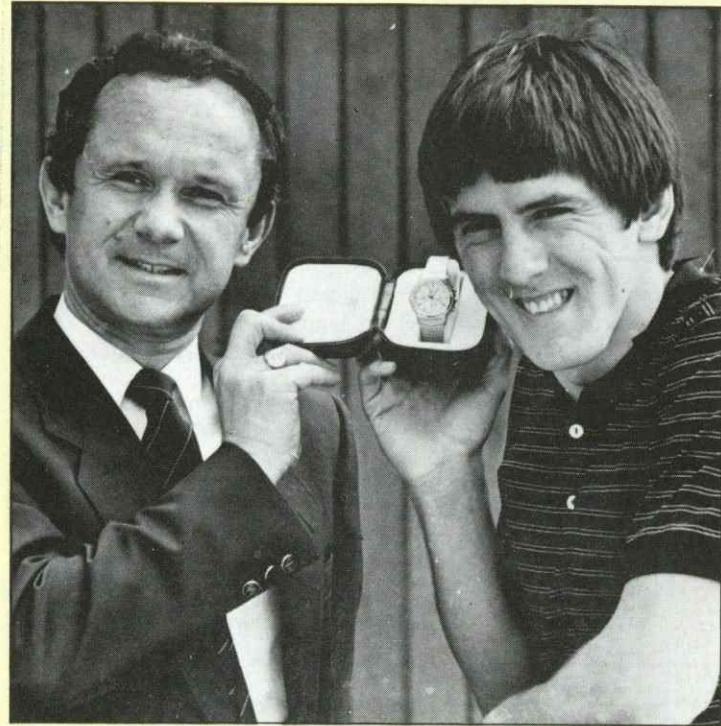
All through the season supporters were asked to nominate their Man of the Match to find the Player of the Year in a competition run jointly by Eldon Square jewellers Walker and Hall and Swiss watchmakers EBEL.

And when the votes were counted Peter was the winner of a magnificent gold and stainless steel watch worth £1,300.

Peter, seen here receiving the superb timepiece from EBEL (U.K.) Managing Director Denys Pasche at St. James' Park on Tuesday May 7th, polled 4,107 votes with David McCreery in second place on 2,794, Glenn Roeder third (1,782) and Chris Waddle (1,671) fourth.

Mike Cooper, General Manager of Walker and Hall, Eldon Square, was also present at the presentation ceremony - as were the supporters whos votes gave Peter a tachymetre timepiece he describes as: "A truly magnificent gift - something I will always treasure".

Peter's 16th and 17th goals of the season had come the previous afternoon - both from the penalty spot against Spurs. We see him here striking his second - his eighth successful penalty conversion last season.



MALCOLM MISSED JUST THREE - AND THEN LEFT!

Malcolm Brown, who went back to his previous club, Huddersfield Town, in the summer, made the most first team appearances last season.

Malcolm played in all but the last three First Division matches, in our four Milk Cup games and two in the F.A. Cup - a total of 45.

Next came Peter Beardsley - 44 League and Cup - and Peter finished the season as our top

scorer with 17 goals, all in the League. Chris Waddle's goals total was 16 - 13 League, two Milk Cup and one in the F.A. Cup.

ATTENDANCES DOWN LAST SEASON

The 21 League games at St. James' Park last season drew an aggregate of 550,798, giving a match average of 26,228.

The figures were down on the 1983-84 promotion season, when the average was 29,834 (aggregate 626,533).

The Hatters

Luton Town

Year formed: 1885. Turned professional: 1890. Ltd. Co. 1897.

Present Ground: Kenilworth Road, Luton.

Previous Grounds: 1885, Excelsior, Dallow Lane. 1897, Dunstable Road. (Kenilworth Road since 1905).

Managers since 1946: George Martin, Dally Duncan, Syd Owen, Sam Bartram, Bill Harvey, Allan Brown, Alec Stock, Harry Haslam, David Pleat.

Record Victory: 12-0 v Bristol R, Division 3 (S), April 13th, 1936.

Record Defeat: 0-9 v Small Heath, Division 2, November 12th, 1898.

Most League Points (2 for a win): 66, Division 4, 1967/68.

Most League Points (3 for a win): 88, Division 2, 1981/82.

Most League Goals: 103, Division 3 (S), 1936/37.

Highest League Scorer in a Season: Joe Payne, 55, Division 3 (S), 1936/37.

Most League Goals in Total Aggregate: Gordon Turner, 243, 1949/1964.

Most League Appearances: Bob Morton, 494, 1948/1964.

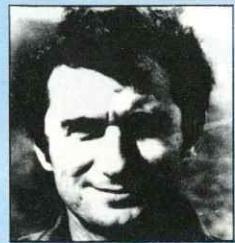
Under 16's triumph in Coleraine

Following our junior team's splendid F.A. Youth Cup triumph at the end of last season the fine work was continued by our first-year apprentices and associate schoolboys who teamed up to take the Northern Ireland Cup for Under-16's in Coleraine at the end of July.

After defeating Home Farm, Antrim Town, Tristar and Maghera in the earlier rounds our youngsters gained a single goal win over Clydebank in the semi-final before facing Coleraine on their home ground in the Final.

Goals by Gary Megennis, David Hallam, Paul Thompson and Paul Watson gave us a 4-1 victory — Phil Coxall was named Man of the Match and Neil Wilson, in terrific form throughout the trip, was Player of the Tournament.

Results and scorers: v Home Farm, 6-1 (Wilson 3, Thompson 2, Hallam); v Antrim Town, 5-1 (Thompson 2, Hallam, Wilson, Megennis); v Tristar, 3-0 (Thompson 2, Wilson); v Maghera, 4-2 (Megennis 2, Wilson, Thompson); v Clydebank, 1-0 (Watson); v Coleraine, 4-1 (Megennis, Hallam, Thompson, Watson).



PLEAT HAS BEEN SO LOYAL

DAVID PLEAT, one of the brightest and most forward-thinking men in the business, has been in the game as a professional for just over 23 years.

He won England Schoolboy honours before joining Nottingham Forest as a junior and became a professional in March 1962. In fact he made his First Division debut — against Cardiff — a few weeks before joining the pro' staff, but had to wait almost two years for another chance! But he did have the consolation of playing for the England Youth team.

He joined Luton during the summer of 1964 and won a place on the wing in their Third Division side, but the Hatters finished third from bottom and dropped into Division Four for the first time in their history.

In 1967 he moved to Shrewsbury, a year later it was on to Exeter, then to Peterborough and finally a player/manager apprenticeship at Nuneaton returning to Kenilworth Road.

David coached the reserve side for three seasons before being appointed first team coach when Harry Haslam left for Sheffield United in January 1978 he took over the managerial reins.

After two near misses he hoisted them out of the Second Division in some style in season 1981/82 — Luton finished top with 88 points, eight more than second placed Watford and 17 ahead of the third club, Norwich — and despite many offers to move on to bigger and more glamorous surroundings David has remained loyal to Luton.

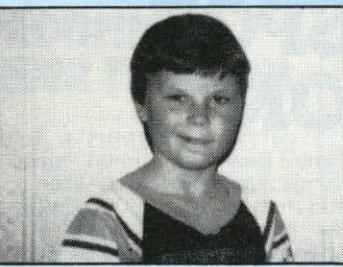
They were so close to a Wembley Final last season — Everton recovered from a goal down to beat them in the semi-final of the F.A. Cup — and David Pleat's football philosophy was summed up after that heartbreaking result when he said: "We gave of our best and it would have been lovely to have reached Wembley."

"But we're not moaning — it was a fine achievement to get to the penultimate stages." He's a nice fellow, a good manager — and we wish him well.

TONIGHT'S MASCOT

PAUL KRAKOWSKI of Newminster Road, Fenham in Newcastle is our mascot tonight. Paul, who attends the St. Bedes School, Whickham View, is an energetic 9½ year old who lists his favourite activities as Soccer, cricket, cycling and swimming.

The youngster often attends our home games with his father — and has no hesitation in naming Peter Beardsley as his favourite player.



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FLASHBACK

5 YEARS AGO

Notts County were our mid week opponents at St. James' Park. A crowd of more than 17,000 saw a Second Division encounter that came to life after the interval. The game ended 1-1 with Alan Shoulder getting our goal. Don Masson netted for Notts.

Watford, also in the Second Division, made the short journey to Luton for a local derby which they lost to a

first-half goal scored by Steve White.

Sunderland scored a remarkable 4-0 away victory at Manchester City in the First Division, thanks largely to a John Hawley hat-trick whilst, up in Scotland, Frank McGarvey was Celtic's hat-trick hero against Diogsyeroi of Hungary in a first-leg European Cup-Winners' Cup tie. Celtic opened out a 6-0 lead.

10 YEARS AGO

St. James's Park was packed with more than 40,000 fans for our Wednesday evening First Division clash with neighbouring Middlesbrough. An odd match ended 1-1, both the goals being scored by opponents. Alan Gowling deflected the ball past Mike Mahoney to give Middlesbrough an interval lead. Later John Craggs, the former Newcastle player, touched a Malcolm Macdonald shot past his 'keeper to give us a point.

Watford were then a humble Fourth Division outfit

and, after losing their opening League match at Barnsley (0-1) on the Saturday, were hopeful of more success when they played at home to Northampton in the first-leg of the first stage of the League Cup. First-half goals from Bobby Downes and Brian Greenhalgh gave them a 2-0 first-leg lead and they ultimately won 3-1 on aggregate.

Burnley, who are currently playing in the Fourth Division, drew 1-1 at home to Everton in a First Division game watched by 23,041.

15 YEARS AGO

An unhappy night for Newcastle at the Victoria ground. Big John Ritchie scored twice against us, with Frank Burrows adding another, as Stoke City cruised to a comfortable 3-0 win.

Watford, then enjoying their first spell of Second Division football, were again in League Cup action and they made progress by beating Peterborough United 2-0 at Vicarage Road. Charlie Woods and Ron Wigg scored their goals.

On the League scene, Liverpool were held to a 0-0 draw at Blackpool in Division One whilst Derby County, aided by a goal from former

Sunderland man John O'Hare, ran up a 4-2 win at Wolves, for whom Derek Dougan was on target.

Eddie Gray (now manager of Leeds) and Johnny Giles (now in charge of W.B.A.) scored Leeds United's goals in a 2-0 victory at Tottenham.

Malcolm Macdonald, later to make his name up here on Tyneside, scored Luton's winning goal in a League Cup tie at Gillingham.

Kevin Keegan converted a penalty for Scunthorpe United, but he couldn't stop his side being knocked out of the League Cup. They lost 2-3 at home to Northampton.

20 YEARS AGO

Mick Jones goal settling the issue.

John Charles, then in the twilight of his career, scored Cardiff's winning goal in a 2-1 victory over Derby County in Division Two. Both the Knowles' brothers were on target - Cyril (now Darlington's manager) netted in Tottenham's 4-2 home win over Leicester whilst Peter got Wolves' goal in a 1-2 defeat at Manchester City.

In spite of goals from George Best and John Aston, Manchester United crashed 2-4 at Nottingham Forest.

Jimmy Greaves, who opened his season's account in Spurs' victory over Leicester, scored two more in Friday night's 4-0 home win over Blackpool.

THE SQUAD THAT STARTS THE SEASON

BACK ROW (left to right):
David McCreery, Alan Davies,
Peter Haddock, George Reilly,
Paul Gascoigne, Rob McKinnon,
John Anderson.

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Neil McDonald, Martin Thomas,
Gary Kelly, Wes Saunders,
Tony Cunningham, Chris Hedworth.

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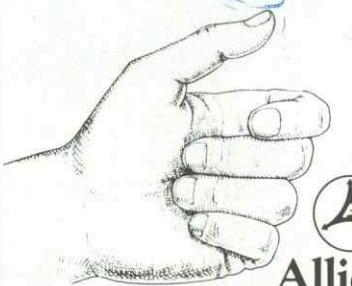
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AUG	17 Southampton.....A <i>H-1</i>
	21 LUTON TOWN.....H <i>2-2</i>
	24 LIVERPOOL.....H <i>1-0</i>
	26 Coventry City.....A <i>1-2</i>
	31 QUEENS PARK RANGERS.....H <i>3-1</i>
SEPT	4 Manchester United.....A <i>3-0</i>
	7 Tottenham Hotspur.....A <i>5-1</i>
	14 WEST BROM ALBION.....H <i>1-1</i>
	21 OXFORD UNITED.....H <i>3-0</i>
	25 Milk Cup 2 (1L) <i>BARNESLEY</i> 0-0
OCT	28 Arsenal.....AO-0
	5 WEST HAM UNITED.....H <i>1-2</i>
	9 MILK CUP 2 (2L)
	12 Ipswich Town.....A
	19 NOTTINGHAM FOREST.....H
	26 Aston Villa.....A
NOV	30 Milk Cup 3
	2 WATFORD.....H
	9 Birmingham City.....A
	16 CHELSEA (FA1).....H
	20 Milk Cup 4
	23 Manchester City.....A
DEC	30 LEICESTER CITY.....H
	7 Luton Town (FA2).....A
	14 SOUTHAMPTON.....H
	21 Liverpool.....A
	26 Sheffield Wednesday.....A
	28 MANCHESTER UNITED.....H
1986	
JAN	1 EVERTON.....H
	4 FA Cup 3
	11 West Bromwich Albion.....A
	15 Milk Cup 5
	18 Queens Park Rangers.....A
	25 FA Cup 4
FEB	1 COVENTRY CITY.....H
	8 Nottingham Forest.....A
	12 Milk Cup SF (1L)
	15 ASTON VILLA (FA5).....H
	22 Oxford United.....A
MAR	1 ARSENAL.....H
	5 Milk Cup SF (2L)
	8 West Ham United (FA6).....A
	15 IPSWICH TOWN.....H
	22 TOTTENHAM HOTSPUR.....H
	29 Everton.....A
	31 SHEFFIELD WEDNESDAY.....H
APR	5 Watford (FA SF).....A
	12 BIRMINGHAM CITY.....H
	19 Chelsea.....A
	20 MILK CUP FINAL
	26 MANCHESTER CITY.....H
MAY	3 Leicester City.....A
	10 FA CUP FINAL

ALL THE FIXTURES
Season 1985/86

1985	CENTRAL LEAGUE
AUG	22 Huddersfield Town.....A
	28 DERBY COUNTY.....H
SEPT	5 SHEFFIELD WEDNESDAY.....H
	10 Liverpool.....A
	18 NOTTINGHAM FOREST.....H
OCT	25 Blackburn Rovers.....A
	2 Sheffield United.....A
	9 ASTON VILLA.....H
	16 Hull City.....A
	23 BARNESLEY.....H
	29 Wigan Athletic.....A
NOV	6 MANCHESTER CITY.....H
	13 West Bromwich Albion.....A
	20 LEICESTER CITY.....H
	26 Everton.....A
DEC	3 Leeds United.....A
	11 MANCHESTER UNITED.....H
	17 Sheffield Wednesday.....A
1986	
JAN	11 Manchester United.....A
	15 HUDDERSFIELD TOWN.....H
	22 LIVERPOOL.....H
	28 Derby County.....A
FEB	5 HULL CITY.....H
	12 Barnsley.....A
	19 Nottingham Forest.....A
	26 BLACKBURN ROVERS.....H
MAR	5 SHEFFIELD UNITED.....H
	12 Aston Villa.....A
	18 Manchester City.....A
	26 WIGAN ATHLETIC.....H
APR	2 WEST BROMWICH ALBION.....H
	7 Leicester City.....A
	16 EVERTON.....H
	23 LEEDS UNITED.....H
1986	
JAN	4 LEEDS UNITED.....H 11 a.m.
	18 MIDDLESBROUGH.....H 11 a.m.
	25 York City.....A 12 noon
FEB	1 Rotherham United.....A 1 p.m.
	8 SCUNTHORPE UNITED.....H 1 p.m.
	15 Sheffield United.....A 1 p.m.
	22 SHEFFIELD WEDNESDAY.....H 12 noon
MAR	1 Sunderland.....A 11 a.m.
	8 BARNESLEY.....H 12 noon
	15 Bradford City.....A 12 noon
	22 DONCASTER ROVERS.....H 12 noon
	29 Grimsby Town.....A 1 p.m.
APRIL	5 HALIFAX TOWN.....H 12 noon
	12 Hartlepool United.....A 11 a.m.
	19 Doncaster Rovers.....A 12 noon
	26 Halifax Town.....A 12 noon

ACTION REPLAY



There were only 15 minutes left when Kenny Wharton's sixth League goal of the season gave us the three points against Luton Town at St. James' Park on Saturday, February 23rd.

On the day that big George Reilly made his debut after his £200,000 move from Watford, we kicked off in seventh from bottom position — and Luton were second from bottom, eight points worse off but with three games in hand.

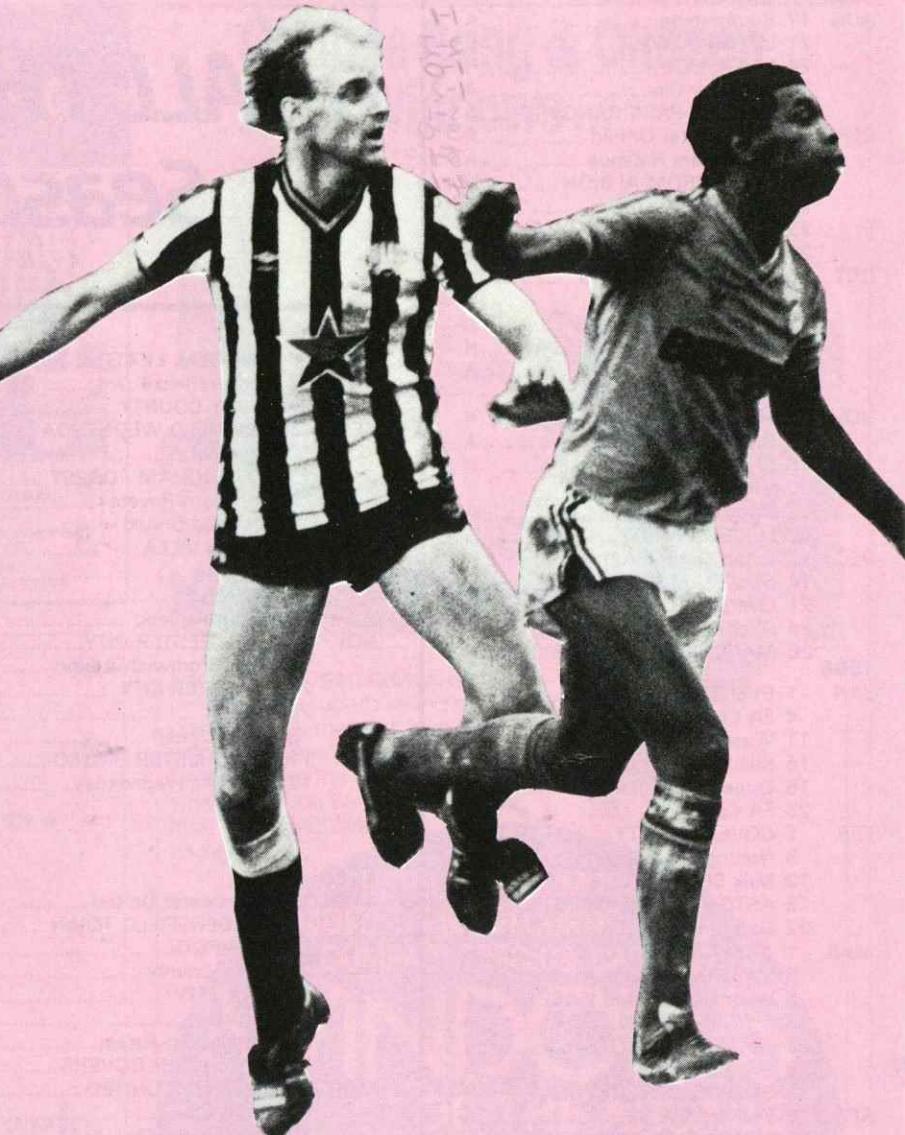
The Luton game, and the following one which was also at home, to Watford, were critical fixtures for us. "Six points nothing less", was Jack Charlton's demand. And the players duly obliged.

Wharton's rasping drive, set up by Peter Beardsley and Tony Cunningham, came after both teams had missed clear-cut chances and despite their precarious League situation at the final whistle Luton looked too good a squad to go down.

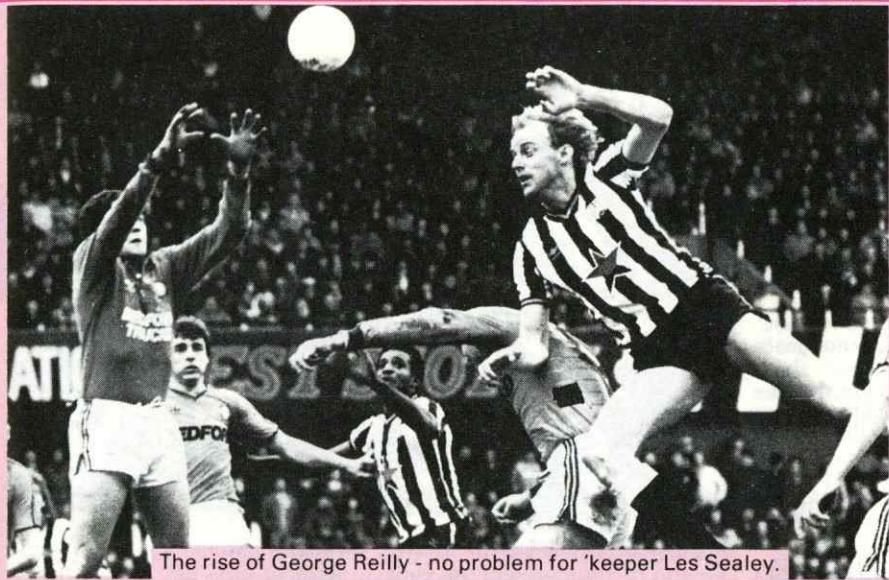
So it proved. Having stayed up in 1983 by winning their final fixture at Manchester City, and doing it the other way by dropping from seventh top to seventh bottom between March and May 1984, the Hatters have plenty of top flight survival experience.

Their manager David Pleat did not appear unduly disturbed when he left Tyneside on the evening of February 23rd last. "There's a long way to go, a lot of points to fight for", he smiled.

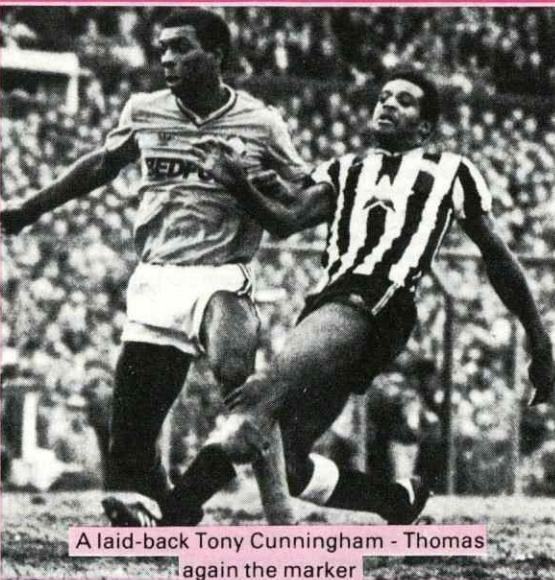
That smile seemed well justified at the end of the season when Luton's total of 54 points gave them a final placing of 13th.



George Reilly in action, policed by Mitchell Thomas



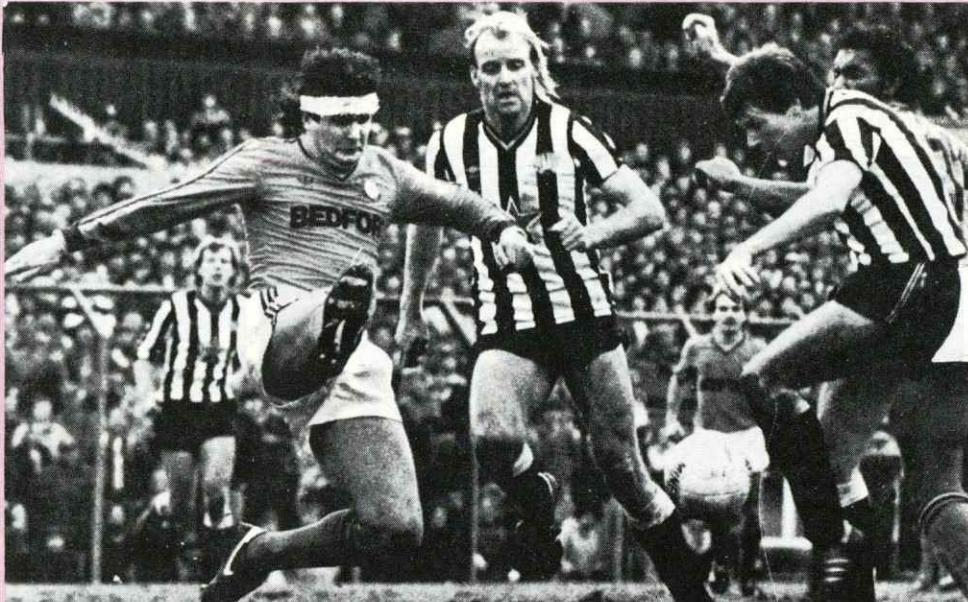
The rise of George Reilly - no problem for 'keeper Les Sealey.



A laid-back Tony Cunningham - Thomas again the marker



Wharton's winner. Kenny played left back against Luton and he's seen here a split second after striking the ball.



Steve Foster, he of the eyecatching headband, moves to foil Pat Heard

CHRIS WADDLE'S TYNESIDE FAREWELL – VICTORY FOR HIS NEW CLUB

Almost 30,000 turned up on the afternoon of Bank Holiday Monday, May 6th, to see Chris Waddle's last home appearance in a black and white shirt.

By the greatest irony the opponents were Tottenham, the club Chris had already agreed to join. But another couple of months were to elapse before an Independent Tribunal fixed the transfer fee at £590,000 - a record, albeit a reluctant record from our point of view, for a player leaving Newcastle United.

Chris dearly wanted a goal on his farewell appearance at St. James' Park - but it wasn't to be. The scoreline was 2-3, with both our goals coming from Peter Beardsley penalties.

It was Tottenham's last away game of the season and the victory - goals from David Leworthy, Glenn Hoddle and substitute Ian Crook - gave them the staggering return of 41 points from 21 trips. If only they hadn't been so fragile at White Hart Lane.

Before he left Tyneside in the summer Chris Waddle made a point of thanking Newcastle United fans "for their terrific support since I made my first team debut in 1980. They will always have a special place in my heart".

Disappointed as we are to have lost a player of his calibre under the Freedom of Contract charter we wish him well and hope he picks up many more England caps to add to the seven he won as a Newcastle player.

These pictures from his last home game show him coming out of the tunnel, slipping the ball past Ray Clemence - the effort disallowed for offside - and running at top speed with the ball, beautifully balanced. The style that made him an England player - and took him to a new career with Tottenham Hotspur.



THE GREAT CLUBS



PART ONE of a series in which we shall be looking at the achievements of the world's most famous clubs. We start with a look at the club of the moment.

CF BARCELONA

By TONY PULLEIN

Terry Venables was given the freedom of Barcelona in May when he led the club to their first Spanish Championship since 1974. But he is realistic enough to accept that, if he doesn't follow up with another trophy this season, he could well be drummed out of the City in ignominy!

When he left QPR, to take over at the magnificent Nou Camp last season, he had written into his contract an escape clause. "It allowed both myself and the club to have second thoughts, and part company after a year, if we so desired," he explained.

Now the break-clause will be discussed again at the end of this season.

Venables fills one of the hottest seats in world football. The rewards for success are huge, the consequences of failure traumatic.

For Barcelona is the club that has appeared in eight

major European finals, winning five of them. And this season they are participating in one of the big three tournaments for the 30th time.

Barcelona have won the European Cup-Winners' Cup on two occasions over the past six years. In 1979 they ended up on top by 4-3 after extra time after an exhilarating final against Fortuna Dusseldorf in Basle. And then, three seasons ago — when the final was staged in their own Nou Camp stadium — they defeated Standard Liege 2-1.

They also reached the final back in 1969 when they were beaten 3-2 by Slovan Bratislava in Basle.

It was 1961 when Barcelona progressed to the final of the European Champions' Cup and they were defeated by a Benfica side then at its prime. The Portuguese side won 3-2 in Berne.

Barcelona's four appearances in the Final of the European Fairs Cup (now known as the UEFA Cup) were more than 20 years ago. They appeared in the first final of 1958 when they defeated a representative London XI by 8-2 on aggregate.

In 1960 they faced Birmingham City in the final, winning 4-1 over two legs.

The final of 1962 brought them into contact with Spanish rivals Valencia who shocked everyone by beating CFB by 7-3 on aggregate. It was another all-Spanish final in 1966 but this time Barcelona defeated Real Zaragoza 4-3 over the two games.

Founded in 1899, Futbol Club Barcelona have now won the Spanish Championship on ten occasions. But it is in Cup football that they have excelled in recent times, lifting the Spanish Cup for the 20th time in 1983.

On the two occasions when Barcelona went forward into the European Super Cup — the annual contest between the winners of the European Champions' Cup and the Cup-Winners' Cup — they were beaten by English clubs.

Nottingham Forest beat them 1-0 at The City Ground, and then drew 1-1 at the Nou Camp in 1979/80. In 1982/83 Barcelona won their home leg against Aston Villa 1-0, but then crashed 0-3 after extra time at Villa Park.

Over the years Barcelona have fielded many of the World's greatest players. Evaristo, the famous Brazilian, enjoyed four marvellous

seasons with the club a couple of decades ago.

Sandor Kocsis, the Hungarian with the 'Golden Head' who holds the World Cup record with 11 goals in the 1954 finals, played for Barcelona, as did such legends as Ladislav Kubala — he won international caps for Czechoslovakia, Hungary and Spain! — Juan Segarra, Antonio Ramallets and Diego Maradona.

When Maradona left in 1984 he was replaced by Steve Archibald, a striker who had seemed to have lost his touch at Tottenham. But the electric atmosphere of the Nou Camp sparked him back to top form, and he was the third highest scorer in the Spanish League with 15 goals last season as Barcelona sprinted to a 10 point lead over runners-up Atletico Madrid.

With Everton barred from this season's European Champions' Cup, Barcelona are among the favourites to win it. They should survive their first round tussle with Sparta Prague and then go on to complete a coveted ambition of taking each of Europe's top three trophies back to the Nou Camp.

Their Cup-Winners' Cup and the UEFA Cup successes are an integral part of their history.

This season they want the Champions Cup. And, if they don't get it, Terry Venables could well be on his way back to England!

Next: DUKLA PRAGUE

HOW THEY FINISHED

FIRST DIVISION

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pt.
1 EVERTON	42	28	6	8	88	43	90
2 Liverpool	42	22	11	9	68	35	77
3 Tottenham	42	23	8	11	78	51	77
4 Man. United	42	22	10	9	77	47	76
5 Southampton	42	19	11	12	56	47	68
6 Chelsea	42	28	12	12	63	48	66
7 Arsenal	42	19	9	14	61	49	66
8 Sheff. Wed.	42	17	14	11	58	45	65
9 Nottm. Forest	42	19	7	16	56	48	64
10 Aston Villa	42	15	11	16	60	60	56
11 Watford	42	14	12	15	82	72	55
12 WBA	42	16	7	19	58	62	55
13 Luton	42	15	9	18	57	61	54
14 Newcastle	42	13	13	16	55	70	52
15 Leicester	42	15	6	21	65	73	51
16 West Ham	42	13	12	17	51	68	51
17 Ipswich	42	13	11	18	46	57	50
18 Coventry	42	15	5	22	47	64	50
19 QPR	42	13	11	18	53	72	50
20 Norwich	42	13	10	19	46	64	49
21 Sunderland	42	10	10	22	40	62	40
22 Stoke	42	3	8	31	24	91	17

FIRST DIVISION

Champions: Everton (£50,000 prize)
 Runners up: Liverpool (£25,000 prize)
 3rd place: Tottenham (£15,000 prize)
 Relegated: Stoke City, Sunderland, Norwich City
 Top scorers: Everton (£8,500 prize)

SECOND DIVISION

Champions: Oxford United (£25,000 prize)
 Promoted: Birmingham City (£15,000 prize),
 Manchester City (£5,000 prize)
 Relegated: Wolves, Notts County, Cardiff
 Top scorers: Oxford (£6,500 prize)

SECOND DIVISION

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pt.
1 OXFORD	42	25	9	8	84	36	84
2 Birmingham	42	25	7	10	59	33	82
3 Man City	42	21	11	10	66	40	74
4 Portsmouth	42	20	14	8	69	50	74
5 Blackburn	42	21	10	11	66	41	73
6 Brighton	42	20	12	10	54	34	72
7 Leeds	42	19	12	11	66	43	69
8 Shrewsbury	42	18	11	13	66	53	65
9 Fulham	42	19	8	15	68	64	65
10 Grimsby	42	18	8	16	72	64	62
11 Barnsley	42	14	16	12	42	42	58
12 Wimbledon	42	16	10	16	71	75	58
13 Huddersfield	42	15	10	17	52	64	55
14 Oldham	42	15	8	19	49	67	53
15 Crystal Palace	42	12	12	18	46	65	48
16 Carlisle	42	13	8	21	50	67	47
17 Charlton	42	11	12	19	51	63	45
18 Sheff. Utd.	42	10	14	18	54	66	44
19 Middlesbrough	42	10	10	22	41	57	40
20 Notts. County	42	10	7	25	45	73	37
21 Cardiff	42	9	8	25	47	79	35
22 Wolves	42	8	9	25	37	79	33

THIRD DIVISION

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pt.
1 BRADFORD	46	28	10	8	77	45	94
2 Millwall	46	26	12	8	73	42	90
3 Hull	46	25	12	9	78	49	87
4 Gillingham	46	25	8	13	80	62	83
5 Bristol City	46	24	9	13	74	47	81
6 Bristol Rovers	46	21	12	13	66	48	75
7 Derby	46	19	13	14	65	54	70
8 York	46	20	9	17	70	57	69
9 Reading	46	19	12	15	68	62	69
10 Bournemouth	46	19	11	16	57	46	68
11 Walsall	46	18	13	15	58	52	67
12 Rotherham	46	18	11	17	55	55	65
13 Brentford	46	16	14	16	62	64	62
14 Doncaster	46	17	8	21	72	74	59
15 Plymouth	46	15	14	17	62	65	59
16 Wigan	46	15	14	17	60	64	59
17 Bolton	46	16	6	24	69	75	54
18 Newport	46	13	13	20	55	67	52
19 Lincoln	46	11	18	17	50	51	51
20 Swansea	46	12	11	23	53	80	47
21 Burnley	46	11	13	22	60	73	46
22 Orient	46	11	13	22	51	76	46
23 Preston	46	13	7	26	51	100	46
24 Cambridge	46	4	9	33	37	95	21

THIRD DIVISION

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pt.
1 CHESTERFIELD	46	26	13	7	64	35	91
2 Blackpool	46	24	14	8	73	39	86
3 Darlington	46	24	13	9	66	49	85
4 Bury	46	24	12	10	76	50	84
5 Hereford	46	22	11	13	65	47	77
6 Tranmere	46	24	3	19	83	66	75
7 Colchester	46	20	14	12	87	65	74
8 Swindon	46	21	9	16	62	58	72
9 Scunthorpe	46	19	14	13	63	71	71
10 Crewe	46	18	12	16	65	69	66
11 Peterborough	46	16	14	16	54	53	62
12 Port Vale	46	14	18	14	61	59	60
13 Aldershot	46	17	8	21	57	63	58
14 Mansfield	46	13	18	16	41	38	57
15 Wrexham	46	15	9	22	67	70	54
16 Chester	46	15	9	22	60	72	64
17 Rochdale	46	13	4	19	53	69	53
18 Exeter	46	13	14	19	57	80	53
19 Hartlepool	46	14	10	22	54	67	52
20 Southend	46	13	11	22	58	83	50
21 Halifax	46	15	5	26	42	69	50
22 Stockport	46	13	8	25	58	79	47
23 Northampton	46	14	5	27	53	74	47
24 Torquay	46	9	14	23	38	63	41

FOURTH DIVISION

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pt.
1 CHESTERFIELD	46	26	13	7	64	35	91
2 Blackpool	46	24	14	8	73	39	86
3 Darlington	46	24	13	9	66	49	85
4 Bury	46	24	12	10	76	50	84
5 Hereford	46	22	11	13	65	47	77
6 Tranmere	46	24	3	19	83	66	75
7 Colchester	46	20	14	12	87	65	74
8 Swindon	46	21	9	16	62	58	72
9 Scunthorpe	46	19	14	13	63	71	71
10 Crewe	46	18	12	16	65	69	66
11 Peterborough	46	16	14	16	54	53	62
12 Port Vale	46	14	18	14	61	59	60
13 Aldershot	46	17	8	21	57	63	58
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19 Hartlepool	46	14	10	22	54	67	52
20 Southend	46	13	11	22	58	83	50
21 Halifax	46	15	5	26	42	69	50
22 Stockport	46	13	8	25	58	79	47
23 Northampton	46	14	5	27	53	74	47
24 Torquay	46	9	14	23	38	63	41

UNITED APPEARANCES

Season 1984-85

	Lg.	Milk	F.A.	Cup	Cup	Sub
Brown	39	4	2	0	0	
Beardsley	38	4	2	0	0	
Roeder	36	3	0	0	0	

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United's long haul to the Pacific during the summer break proved a successful tour with the club playing six fixtures during a ten day spell. Opposing the Countrywide All Whites, the New Zealand national eleven, we remained unbeaten, winning three and levelling another. The series of games was sponsored by "Say When", the Kiwi's Alcoholic Liquor Advisory Council.

Details are:

18 May All Whites (Christchurch)
2-1 Anderson, McDonald (5000)
19 May All Whites (Wellington) 2-2 Beardsley (2) (4000)
22 May All Whites (Napier) 4-0 Reilly (2), Beardsley, Gascoigne (6500)
25 May All Whites (Auckland) 3-2 McDonald (2), Reilly (4400)

Newcastle then went to the island of Fiji, the former British colony of over 800 islands. Our only defeat of the stay was against the Fiji F.A. in Nadi, the island's second town. United went down 0-3 in front of 4,800 locals. Weariness certainly affected the Magpies performance on that day; however United followed with a 2-0 victory over the same representative eleven. John Anderson and Paul Gascoigne netted in front of over 12,000 fans in the capital, Suva.

Peter Haddock, who was out injured for most of last season, spent the close season with a New Zealand club. Peter appeared for Dunedin City a team from South Island and should now be fully fit to press for a first team place.

A welcome to Luton Town back at Gallowgate to open this season's fixture list. Today's meeting is our 39th first class game since our opening clash back in February 1898. Newcastle haven't lost a First Division match on Tyneside and in fact have only gone down twice all told on home ground. Our biggest victory was a 7-2 win during April 1947. Shackleton, Milburn, Wayman (2) and Stobart (2) netted the goals. The top attendance occurred here in the following season, our Second Division promotion year; 64,931 turned up for the New Year match, won 4-1 by Newcastle.

Last season Luton proved competitive opponents both on Tyneside and at Kenilworth Road. We drew 2-2 at Luton, our fifth draw in a row during October and November. Beardsley and Heard grabbed the goals. The return game was George Reilly's debut in a black'n white shirt and a single goal by Kenny Wharton was enough to claim three points. New figures

are now: £71,756 (FL v Sunderland), £74,376 (League/Milk Cup v Ipswich) and £75,925 (FA Cup v Forest). No doubt these will all be surpassed this season.

The Club's third venture into the rock-n-roll business proved yet again a huge success. Bruce Springsteen and his band of song attracted fans from all over the country. The first night's show packed in 35,000 while the following evening a capacity 38,000 charged the stadium with a special atmosphere. With the Rolling Stones and Bob Dylan also making profits more of the same is sure to follow. Who next I wonder?

Joseph Dodgin from Washington has written asking if anyone knows the whereabouts of his uncle, former United star Norman Dodgin. Joe is a Newcastle fanatic and has never met Norman, who appeared for Newcastle 86 times during the Forties. If anyone can help, drop me a line and I'll try to put the family together.

Our first team squad had six days on the Isle of Man, leaving Tyneside on Saturday July 27th and playing the first of three games the following day.

Peter Beardsley and George Reilly gave us a 2-0 lead against Leicester - but we were beaten 3-2. On Tuesday July 30th we were beaten 2-1 by Blackburn Rovers - Paul Gascoigne our scorer - and two days later we beat Wigan 4-1 (Neil McDonald 2, Glenn Roeder and Peter Beardsley).

Blackburn Rovers beat Stoke City in the Final of the Gore Football Festival, a competition which involved eight clubs in 13 matches within seven days.

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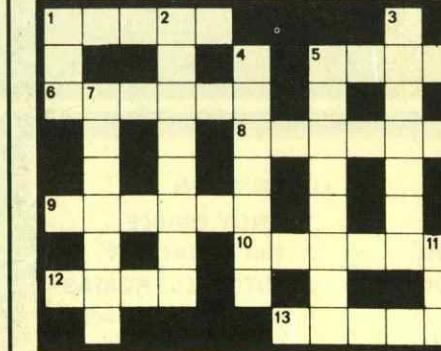
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QUICK QUIZ

- 1 Who was the first full-back to aggregate 50 League goals?
- 2 In 1953 England lost 3-6 to Hungary, but whom had they earlier beaten by the same score?
- 3 How many goals did Ian St. John score for Scotland?
- 4 When did Chelsea win the FA Cup?
- 5 Bob Paisley was Manager of the Year a record six times; who comes second best with three such titles?



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ACROSS

- 1 Somewhere to play.... (5)
- 5 ...and something to play with (4)
- 6 — Aylott has turned out for 5 down (6)
- 8 What, colloquially, English soccer has been -temporarily, we hope - turned out of (6)
- 9 This Hodge can use his hands (6)
- 10 For soccer travellers, it's the main Road of Leeds (6)
- 12 Plumley, possibly (4)
- 13 This regular supporter never travels to away games (despite only having a light load!) (5)

DOWN

- 1 Have you Heard this one? (3)
- 2 Club whose last-gasp escape act in 1984/85 would have done Houdini proud (8)
- 3 It was ahead of Orient even before Leyton got there (7)
- 4 Much-capped man who made his mark at 10 across right through the sixties and beyond....(7)
- 5club which has had three of his team-mates as successive managers (and one of them was re-appointed in the close season!) (8)
- 7 Billy puts the stick out of sight (7)
- 11 O'Riordan's other name (3)

Quick Quiz: 1. Jack Brownword; 2. USA; 3. 41970; 5. Don Revie
Fitness Test: suggested answers: Flo/Pose, Firs/Sane
Soccer Centurian: (70+9+21)
Across 1 Pilot; 5 ball; 6 Trevor; 8 Europe; 9 Martin; 10 Eliland (Road); 12 Gary
Down 1 Pet; 2 Coventry; 3 Clepton; 4 Bremner; 5 Barnesley; 7 Rod, away;
13 Player
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Down 1 Pet; 2 Coventry; 3 Clepton; 4 Bremner; 5 Barnesley; 7 Rod, away;
11 Don

NEWCASTLE UNITED
1 MARTIN THOMAS
2 JOHN ANDERSON
3 KENNY WHARTON
4 ALAN DAVIES
5 JEFF CLARKE
6 GLENN ROEDER
7 NEIL McDONALD
8 GARY MEGSON
9 GEORGE REILLY
10 PETER BEARDSLEY
11 PAUL GASCOIGNE
12

LUTON TOWN
1 ANDY DIBBLE
2 TIM BREACKER
3 MITCHELL THOMAS
4 PETER NICHOLAS
5 STEVE FOSTER
6 MAL DONAGHY
7 RICKY HILL
8 BRIAN STEIN
9 MICK HARFORD
10 EMEKA NWAJIOBI
11 DAVID PREECE
12

THE REFEREE IAN HENDRICK

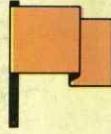
(Preston)

Made his first appearance at St. James' Park the season before last, but has been refereeing since 1972, progressing via the West Lancashire League, Lancashire Combination and the North West Counties League. Works for British Aerospace at Preston, loves country and western music and is an avid collector of Soccer programmes.

THE LINESMEN



Red Flag:
W. B. MILLER
(Marske, Cleveland)



Orange Flag:
T. A. MOORE
(Bradford, Yorks)



A. Villa v Liverpool	
Man. City v Leicester	
Nottm. F. v Sheff. W.	
Oxford v Spurs	
Leeds v Wimbledon	

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