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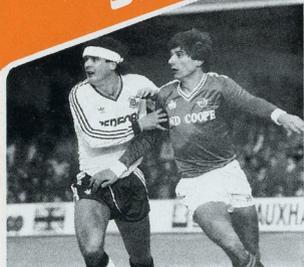


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## COVER STORY



No loving embrace: Steve Foster and Alan Smith struggle for space and possession during our clash with Leicester on New Years' Day.

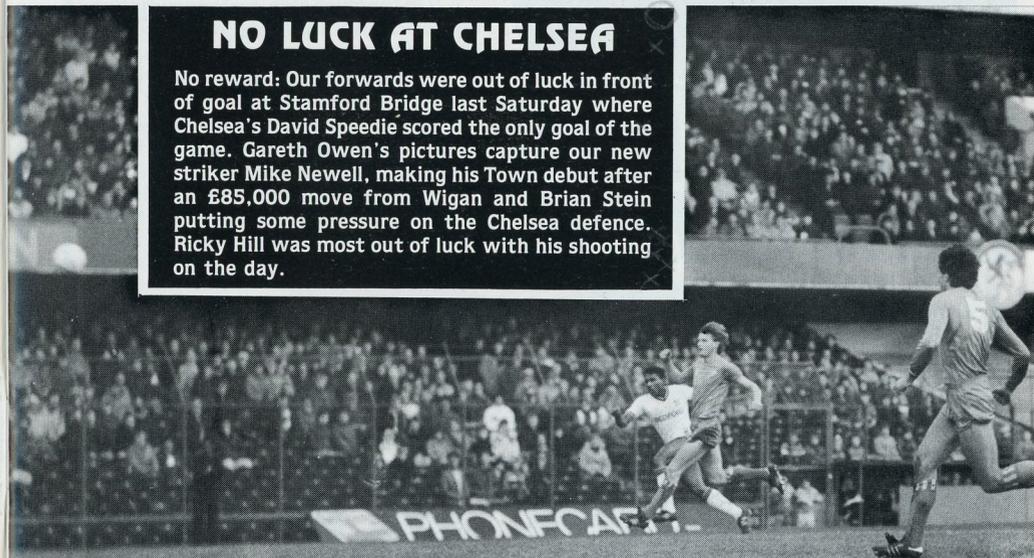
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## NO LUCK AT CHELSEA

No reward: Our forwards were out of luck in front of goal at Stamford Bridge last Saturday where Chelsea's David Speedie scored the only goal of the game. Gareth Owen's pictures capture our new striker Mike Newell, making his Town debut after an £85,000 move from Wigan and Brian Stein putting some pressure on the Chelsea defence. Ricky Hill was most out of luck with his shooting on the day.



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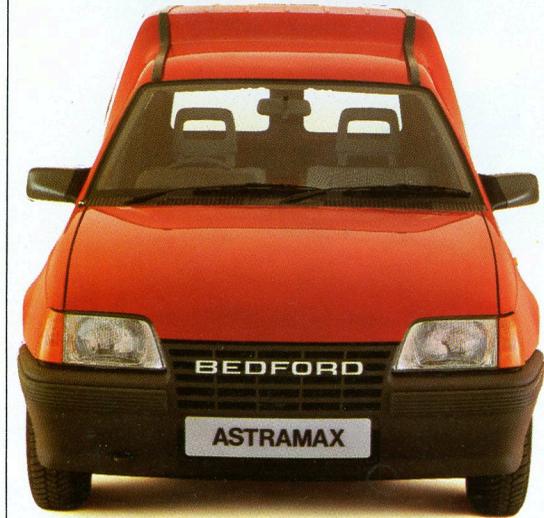
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## 100 Years On

WELCOME to all supporters—from Aston Villa and Luton. Let us hope that both sides live up to our expectations and produce an outstanding game.

I would like to thank our fans who travelled to West Bromwich, Ipswich, Crystal Palace and Chelsea. Your cheers were much appreciated and certainly helped the lads give a fair account in those games. The defeat at Chelsea was a little difficult to swallow as we should have been in front at half-time. We must translate territorial footballing supremacy into goal efforts. Without shots you will never score, with shots you may.

We are looking forward to next week's Cup-tie with Bristol Rovers but would be foolish to approach any game without caution, planning and proper preparation. Unfortunately, Michael Newell whom we welcome from Wigan Athletic, will be unavailable as he has already played in this season's FA Cup. We all hope Michael will do well in the First Division and continue his goal scoring exploits. Give him every encouragement—he is not yet 21 and will become a valued member of our squad.

### Brave Harford

Michael Harford has bravely played whilst troubled by his knee during the past weeks. After our result at Palace we promptly engaged our plan to have a look inside the area giving him the trouble. I am pleased to say he is now back under John Sheridan's wing and we are hopeful of a quick return. Likewise Emeka Nwajiobi is progressing well and we eagerly await his full fitness. Meanwhile Mark North has proved an able young deputy.



We have now confirmed Ricky Hill's testimonial game against Bobby Robson's World Cup squad on April 8th. I hope this game will be well supported. Ricky Hill's development and loyalty has gone hand in hand with the gradual rise of our club from lower Second Division to respected First Division. I am hoping that before April 8th he will have added another half-dozen goals and Luton Town will be among the top six.

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Best wishes,

David Pleat

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## GirlTalk

### MY EXCITING DAY

What a fantastic start to 1986 for Luton Town. A 3—1 win on the first day of the new year. Lets hope they continue to do well for the rest of the season.

It was also an exciting day for me. I was invited to Kenilworth Road for the day to see a sponsored match and also to have a look behind the scenes.

Having only previously seen matches from the terraces, it really is quite an eye-opener to see how things work backstage "so to speak". It really made me appreciate all of the supporting activities that make a club tick.

### In the boot room

The club are naturally proud of their decision to install the new all-weather pitch. I was able to get the feel of the surface and also learn exactly how it was laid. Following on from this I had some insight into the changing facilities, physiotherapy room and boot room. The latter looked extremely tidy considering that it is primarily men only territory.

It is certainly refreshing to hear that the club are anxious to ensure that the facilities are shared by the community. Football clubs, schools, organisations, including womens teams, can make use of the pitch and facilities at very reasonable prices.

During our sightseeing tour, a club official remarked "how nice it was to see so many ladies present" and why not! After all, from what I learnt it's obvious that Luton Town are a friendly club, determined to benefit the community, encourage family participation and create an atmosphere that everyone can enjoy.

Judith Salmon

Judith's day with the club inspired her to submit this article to give regular Girl Talk contributor Gale Waller a New Year break. Anyone wanting to contribute to Girl Talk please write to:

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## Family group

Dear Sir,  
I would like to thank you on behalf of the children and staff of Greenfields for making a super day possible. We could clearly see the game and were seated comfortably amongst a very pleasant crowd.

At Luton Town a family group can be catered for without fear of physical or verbal abuse.

You've got big hearts and are doing a wonderful job. P.S. it was a bonus to see Luton playing so well and beating Newcastle 2-0.

M. P. Higgs,  
Milton Keynes

## Match reports

Dear Sir,  
My name is Karl Smith. I'm 16-years-old, and am a Luton supporter. The main reason I wrote was because everybody keeps telling me that I'm a good match reporter. I love doing commentaries and match reports. When I was at school I had a teacher who was a gantry man at Luton. He made the videos and he said my reports were good. I used to make papers called *Lewsey Sport* and did match reports. I do commentaries as well.

The reason I'm writing is because I would like to become a match reporter at Luton and put my reports in your programme. I've got lots of reports and if you like I would send them to you and you could decide.

Karl Smith,  
Luton  
Editor: Thank you, Karl. We look forward to your contributions!

## Thank you

Dear Sir,  
Thank you very much for taking the trouble to introduce the players and for the tour of the dressing room area before the game against Manchester City. It was all very interesting and the result capped a very enjoyable afternoon.

Howard Southey,  
Welwyn Garden City

## Pleasure

Dear Sir,

Our donation to the BBC "Children in Need" Appeal was passed to Chris Burns during her broadcast on the Friday afternoon, and we were pleased to have the opportunity of thanking everybody concerned through their programme. She commented upon the generosity of the fans, and this generosity shows that a football crowd is no different from any other crowd, when the relatively small disruptive element is removed. Another feature of the day, so far as we were concerned, was the Sponsor-a-Pensioner Scheme, which enabled us to look after 20 Senior Citizens, including a number from St. Margaret's Home, where we also arranged the transportation. These people thoroughly enjoyed the match, and I must compliment the stewards in the Bobbers Stand for all their support and help on the afternoon, including assisting the old people both in and out of the ground. The only slight problem we had with them occurred when Coventry scored their goal—they all cheered! When they last watched League football, this, of course,

was the norm.

I would hope that with the plans you have for next season, more pensioners would be attracted to the match and if our Rotary Club can be of any help in any way, please feel free to contact us.

The companies involved with the sponsorship all enjoyed the day, and I hope we shall have the opportunity of repeating the exercise next year.

P. A. Denton,  
Nat West Bank, Luton

## Training trip

Dear Sir,

For years I've been interested in Luton Town FC and in British football in general. I'm a 43-year-old Norwegian Football Association coach, teacher in the comprehensive school coaching a 3rd division team. I've visited British and German clubs before. Now I'm going on an impulsive trip to England before next season starts in Norway. I'm very impressed by the work you've done with Luton Town FC and the way you play your football, and I want to ask for permission to watch your players in training. I would be grateful.

Stein Oho Solberg,

## Corrections

Dear Sir,

I noticed from Saturday's programme that the "Luton Town Story" is to be reprinted. I suggest that anyone wanting the book should await the new edition; it might be correct!

I bought a copy of the book as a Christmas present for my son, but being a supporter myself, I took the opportunity of glancing through it, particularly the facts and figures of the 4th Division season when I first started watching the Town. The biggest error I found is on page 338, where the

latter half of the 1965-66 season reads January 1972. The results from January 1966 to the end of that season are nowhere to be found.

I did incidentally enjoy the book very much and I am sure my son, being a supporter of some six years, will not even notice, or care about, the 4th Division results, but as I paid the £12, I do!

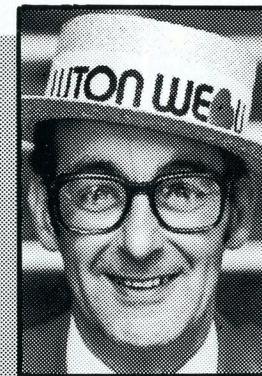
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Editor: The corrected results were published in the Coventry programme.

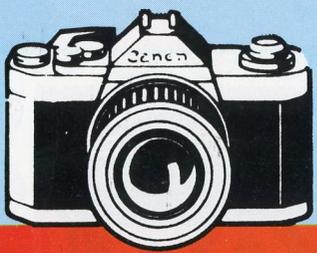
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## Luton News



**LUTON TOWN COVERAGE  
BY BRIAN SWAIN  
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# First Team ACTION

## HARFORD THE HERO

Luton Town 3 Leicester City 1

Mick Harford underlined his claims on a place in England's World Cup squad with a hat-trick in our last home match against Leicester City here on New Year's Day. His fine all-round performance was rewarded with goals after 29, 65 and 75 minutes as Leicester were swept aside in the second half.

### Swerving

The first goal was a wickedly-swerving drive from 25 yards, the second a powerful header from Mitchell Thomas's cross and the third a tap-in after Ian Andrews failed to hold a shot from Ricky Hill.

In between times, Mark Bright headed a goal in reply for Leicester, but Harford almost added a fourth when his chipped shot rebounded from the bar six minutes from time after a superb dummy by Mark North.

Luton: Sealey, Breacker, Thomas, Nicholas, Foster, Donaghy, Hill, Stein, Harford, North, Preece.

Leicester: Andrews, Feeley, Morgan, McAllister (sub Lynex 13 mins), Osman, O'Neill, Banks, Bright, Smith A., Mauchlen, Smith R.

Ref: J. Borrett (Harleston, Norfolk).

Goals: Luton—Harford (29, 65, 75 mins).  
Leicester—Bright (70 mins).



# ACTION REPLAY from

Kenilworth Road



Mark North and Peter Nicholas are caught in action during our 3-1 home win over Leicester City on New Year's Day.

(Photos: Gareth Owen)



**BILL BERRY**



# Views

## from the bench

Club doctor Bill Berry has treated a wide range of injuries and ailments during his seven years at Kenilworth Road—from broken legs to concussion, dislocated hips to cracked fingers. Today he reflects on and discusses three of the best-known injuries treated at the club, those suffered by Paul Elliott, Stacey North, Emeka Nwajobi and now Mick Harford during the last two seasons.

"The injury that Emeka had is similar to the one Brian Stein had two years ago. It is similar in many ways—for a start it was suffered during a match against the same team, Manchester City! It is also similar in the actual fracture to the foot, but we have treated both injuries in different ways.

"For example, with Emeka we are not using any plaster or support but are just leaving him on crutches. It is often the case with these types of injury that the recovery is hampered by stiffness and problems in other joints—the ankles or knees, for example. But with Emeka not being restricted by a plaster, he is not likely to suffer from this sort of immobility.

"If you are plastered it is difficult to recover quickly. If you remember with Brian Stein it was some time before he recovered fully. Indeed, he made only one appearance in the team before the final match of the season, against Manchester City, away, ironically.

"With Emeka, we hope it will not be anything like as long. We have given him free movement of the ankle and he is able to have regular Dipulse so he should make a full and quick recovery, we hope.

"With Stacey, it was quite a different

injury—a dislocated hip. His was a more severe injury with greater worries attached to it in that this type of dislocation of the hip can cause a major problem with the flow of blood supply to the head of the femur. This can lead to serious damage to the bone.

"Fortunately, with Stacey, there have been no signs of that. He had first-class treatment at Southampton hospital and had the very best treatment again when he returned to the club and underwent excellent physiotherapy and so on. In fact, Stacey has made a wonderful recovery and done us proudly. I must admit, there was a time when we were seriously worried that he might have seriously damaged the chances of him going on to have a full and successful career as a player.

"Of course he had some trouble during his recovery period and in his case it was with his knee which proved very painful. This was due to its previous immobility. But he is now 100 per cent again.

"Paul Elliott's was different again—a broken tibia, shinbone. There were two ways to treating him: firstly, the orthodox and most common method, with a plaster; or, secondly, as our surgeon decided on this occasion, to use plates. This is a new method of treatment used widely by Swiss skiers with success.

"The surgeon installs a series of plates to pull the bone together. It has been very successful with Paul and has been very successful with ski injuries too in the past. Again there can be blood supply problems, but I am pleased to say that Paul, who is now, of course, with Aston Villa, has had none of them."



## Club News

### RICKY HILL TESTIMONIAL

Arrangements are being made for a match between Ricky Hill's Luton XI and Bobby Robson's England XI as a testimonial event for our popular midfielder player Ricky Hill. The match will take place at Kenilworth Road on Tuesday, April 8th, 1986.

### Pre-match entertainment

This afternoon's pre-match entertainment is once again provided by a match involving Luton Ladies. Today the Luton team play Fulham Ladies, one of the strongest teams in England and currently holders of the Women's Cup. The Fulham team includes several international players.

### Travel Club

February looks like being a busy month for our Travel Club members. Our first journey takes us to Highbury where we face Arsenal on the 1st February. Our coaches will leave from the Maple Road car park at 1.00 pm and the cost will be £3.00. For further details ring Luton 412418.

### Match Ball sponsors



We welcome today's match ball sponsor Mr. & Mrs. Harvey of R. W. Harvey & Sons. Mr. Harvey was introduced to the club 10 years ago by director Richard Banks and has remained an avid fan.

### TICKET OFFICE NEWS

Ticket arrangements for FA Cup 4th round. As instructed by the FA, all Cup matches at Kenilworth Road will be all-ticket games. The Ticket Office in Kenilworth Road will remain open for all tickets, seats and standing after today's match until 7.00 pm and also open on Sunday 19th between 10.00 am and 1.00 pm.

THERE WILL BE NO CASH ADMISSIONS ON THE DAY  
Friday, January 24th is the last day for sales until 6 pm.

Our next game is a Canon League Division One fixture away to Arsenal on Saturday, February 1st, kick-off 3.00 pm. Entrance for visiting supporters is East Bank turnstiles (covered). Seating for this match can be obtained from our ticket office in Kenilworth Road at £4.50, £6.00 and £8.50.

### Forthcoming matches at Kenilworth Road



FA Cup (Fourth round)  
Saturday, January 25th, 1986  
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Luton Town v. Bristol Rovers  
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### MATCH REFEREE



### Ray Lewis (Kingston)

An operations planning manager with Imperial Inns & Taverns, Ray is married with a teenage daughter. He began refereeing in 1962 and progressed via the Kingston & District League and the Isthmian League to the Football League. He enjoys reading and playing bowls. He was in charge of a Milk Cup semi-final in 1983.

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GARRY  
PARKER

## TOP HATTER



Born in Oxford on September 7th, 1965, Garry was on schoolboy forms with Queens Park Rangers and had trials with Aston Villa, West Ham, Chelsea, Swindon and Oxford before being spotted playing for Oxfordshire schoolboys at Ampthill. He joined the club as an apprentice in June 1982 and made his debut at Old Trafford, against Manchester United, in May 1983. A youth international for England, Garry is a cultured midfielder player with tremendous long-passing and shooting ability.

## DARTS FOR FUN

One of Garry Parker's regular pastimes in the digs he shares with Marvin Johnson in Luton are darts matches against the young apprentices. Garry always wins, he said, but seeks nothing too serious to test his skills on the dartboard, but the satisfaction of enjoying a good game.

"I've just got to enjoy it a lot. I don't play competitively or anything—just in the digs with Marvin. He's improving all the time, of course, but I am still the winner. I've never been tempted to take it up seriously and I have never joined a pub team or anything like that.

"I like other sports too—swimming, squash, snooker and so on. I play snooker more or less everyday—but not in the top league with Ricky Hill and Steve Foster. They're very good. No, I play in the sort of second division, mostly against David Preece.

## Cup magic

"I was only 17 when I made my debut at Manchester and I have enjoyed every game since, but it is not easy to claim a regular place in the team. There are a lot of good players. I prefer playing in midfield, anywhere in midfield, to any other position, and looking back must say I enjoyed the Cup matches last season a lot.

"Some people might think that Ricky Hill and I are very similar in our styles and that it is difficult for us to play in the same team, but that is not really true. I thought we played well together last season in the Cup games, even though, of course, we both like to be play-makers.

"The main thing though is to keep on learning and for me to fight hard to impress and grab a first team place when the chance comes."





Bill Tomlins, Commercial Director

## HAT-TRICK HARFORD



First of many: Mick Harford smiles and signals his first hat-trick for the club against Leicester on New Year's Day. Well done, Mick. Hope you make a quick recovery from your knee operation.

## THRILLS GALORE WITH THE CAN-CAN GIRLS!

Turning his head: Leicester's Northern Ireland defender John O'Neill can hardly resist our can-can girls who provided the half-time entertainment on New Year's Day. Judging from the roars of approval I heard all around the ground, there were quite a few others who enjoyed the temptations too!



# the TOWN

## MOST ENTERTAINING TEAM KEPT OFF OUR SCREENS

by Bill Tomlins

Good afternoon everyone and welcome to another big League match at Kenilworth Road, our second in 1986 which I hope will turn out to be just as good a year for the club as was 1985. We are, of course, all hoping for another good Cup run as well, with one hurdle safely cleared already.

The commercial department at the club has had tremendous demand from the fans about video-cassettes of the team in action and we are all working very hard behind the scenes to ensure one will be available probably including all the highlights of our Centenary season, by the end of the current campaign.

### HIGH QUALITY

Naturally, we are aiming to produce the highest-possible quality product, but the difficulties and prolonged delays over the successful conclusion of a television deal for this season have not helped. This has meant that not only has

the country been kept off our screens, but also that we have not been able to take advantage of television's coverage—and therefore their film—of our First Division matches.

We shall therefore be relying on our own tapes taken for coaching purposes of all our games. They may not be the best quality, but they cover all the highlights satisfactorily and with the kind and expert assistance of Luton News sports editor Brian Swain and the BBC's John Motson, who was seeking to keep his hand in before Mexico, we believe we shall have a first-class product.

### SPONSORS

Welcome to today's match sponsors T. J. Aldridge (Builders) and B. Doherty & Co., two of the Town's leading building and development companies. I hope they and our executive sponsors Leighton Homes Ltd. enjoy the match today.

(Photos: Gareth Owen)



That festive feeling: Brian Meatyard won £1,000 in a Town lottery. He is pictured (top) with development executive John Gornall and agent David Bird, who won £100 while Steve Foster is caught alongside mascot James Green and the Kevin Duffy Band on New Year's Day.



## CAPTAIN'S DIARY

with Steve Foster



### A WARM WELCOME TO MIKE NEWELL

On behalf of all in the dressing room can I thank all you fans for your great support in 1985 and on all the away trips so far in 1986. It is a good feeling to be back on the Cup trail after our win at Crystal Palace. Welcome too to our new striker signed from Wigan, Mike Newell. I'm sure you've all read about his nickname on the papers—well I just hope he is "psyched" up for a great career with us and plenty of goals too.

Mike knows he has joined a progressive club and team at Kenilworth Road and, with Mick Harford and Emeka Nwajioji making good progress after their injuries we will have terrific competition for places up front soon. Mick has been very brave to play on in pain for so long, but I am sure the surgery and the rest will do him good.

I understand from our chief scout Ron Howard that we have been busy in the younger end of the football world recently signing a bright 14-year-old midfielder called Stuart Brown on associate schoolboy forms. Stuart, from Cambridge, has had several trials. We all hope he enjoys himself and wish him all the best. Take care everyone.

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## Holding steady in the League

With all our fixtures over the Christmas and New Year completed we didn't quite manage all the results we hoped for, but managed to maintain our position in the league table. It is looking good for us as there is a small gap forming behind us. If we maintain our standard in the second half of the season, as we have in the first half we should finish in a good position by the end of the season.

We can only do this with your support behind us to encourage the team to victory. The more the merrier they say, so why not bring a friend to our next home game and show them how good it is to

watch football at Kenilworth Road on our new artificial pitch?

Today our visitors are Aston Villa. It will be a return today for Paul Elliott to his old club. So let's give them a warm welcome this afternoon. Have a good day and I will see you all next week when we are at home in the FA Cup.

Peter Nicholas

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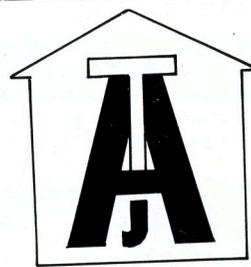
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# Reserves ACTION REPLAY

## GRIMES SPECIAL BRINGS VICTORY

A cracking 25-yard shot by Ashley Grimes brought the reserves a well-deserved 1-0 win over Charlton Athletic in a Football Combination fixture here last Saturday. Grimes struck after 29 minutes following a smooth build-up to help wipe out the memories of a 3-0 defeat at Arsenal the previous week.

Reserves coach John Moore said: "The referee summed it up when he said it was the most one-sided 1-0 win he had ever seen." Chances flowed thick and fast but with no reward.

### Latest Results

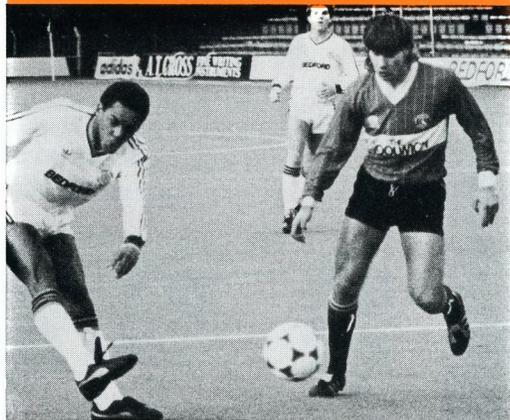
Football Combination January 11th, 1986  
Charlton Athletic 0 Luton Town 1 (Grimes)

Teams:

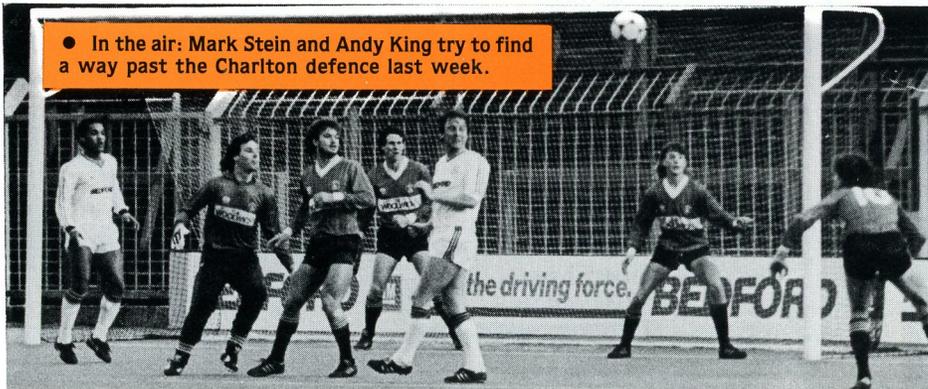
Luton: Dibble, Johnson R., Grimes, Johnson M., North S., Cobb, Parker, Stein M., Oldfield, King, Black.

Charlton: Lange, Hill, Anderson, Berry, Friar, Kimble G., Francis F., Parkyu, Kimble A., Francis N., Bolton. Sub: Taylor.

● Unlucky effort: Mark Stein worked hard without much reward during the reserves 1-0 win last week.



● In the air: Mark Stein and Andy King try to find a way past the Charlton defence last week.



### FOOTBALL COMBINATION

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
1 Arsenal	23	17	5	1	83	18	39
2 West Ham	21	15	3	3	75	36	33
3 Chelsea	21	15	2	4	67	16	32
4 Watford	22	14	4	4	59	26	32
5 Ipswich	22	13	4	5	45	31	30
6 Tottenham	21	13	2	6	49	28	28
7 QPR	21	12	3	6	44	27	27
8 Luton Town	23	11	4	8	30	32	26
9 Norwich City	23	10	5	8	39	25	25
10 C. Palace	24	9	4	11	40	54	22
11 Oxford Utd.	24	8	5	11	37	40	21
12 Millwall	21	9	2	10	30	42	20
13 Southampton	21	6	7	8	38	46	19
14 Birmingham	22	8	3	11	33	46	19
15 Bristol R.	19	8	2	9	35	40	18
16 Charlton	22	8	2	12	41	52	18
17 Brighton	22	5	3	14	21	51	13
18 Portsmouth	20	5	4	11	19	30	12
19 Reading	21	5	1	15	26	55	11
20 Reading	18	4	2	12	20	52	10
21 Swindon	19	2	3	14	29	60	7
22 Swansea	18	2	0	16	14	67	4

(Up to and including January 13th)

### APPEARANCES and GOALSCORERS

App	Gls	App	Gls
Sealey	5	Tuite	8
Johnson R.	17	Berry	1
Harvey	9	Scott	6
McEvoy	20	Farrell	2
Elliott	12	Black	8
Johnson M.	11	Lewis	2
Cobb	21	Daniel	14
Stein M.	19	Parker	17
Oldfield	21	Ferguson	1
Grimes	21	North S.	13
Dibble	17	Farrell	1
Tighe	1	King	1
North M.	15		

### FOOTBALL COMBINATION FIXTURES

A Aug 17	Portsmouth	1-0
H Aug 24	Chelsea	0-4
H Aug 31	Reading	2-1
A Sept 4	Charlton Athletic	1-0
A Sept 7	West Ham United	0-3
H Sept 26	Millwall	3-2
A Oct 2	Oxford United	1-1
A Oct 9	Brighton & HA	2-0
H Oct 12	Queens Park Rangers	1-1
H Oct 15	Ipswich Town	2-3
A Oct 19	Southampton	2-2
H Oct 26	Swansea Town	2-0
A Oct 31	Swindon Town	5-1
H Nov 6	Norwich City	1-0
H Nov 9	Crystal Palace	0-2
A Nov 16	Watford	4-1
H Nov 23	Fulham	1-0
A Nov 26	Chelsea	0-2
A Nov 30	Tottenham Hotspur	0-3
H Dec 14	Arsenal	0-2
A Dec 21	Bristol Rovers	1-1
A Jan 4	Arsenal	0-3
H Jan 11	Charlton Athletic	1-0

## Youth Team

### Sad start to New Year

Our youth team has experienced a tough start to the New Year with two defeats in the league and an FA Youth Cup exit after a replay by Arsenal.

### Latest Results

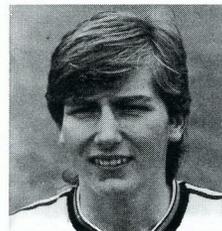
South East Counties  
League Division Two  
January 4th, 1986  
Luton Town 1 (Tuite)  
Southampton 3

Team: Jones, James, Harvey, Scott, Berry, Barker, Kennedy, Lewis, Farrell, Tuite, Philpott, Chapman.

January 11th, 1986  
Crystal Palace 7  
Luton Town 1 (Scott)

Team: Jones, James, Scott, Berry, Barker, Kennedy, Lewis, Poutch, Tighe, Tuite.  
FA Youth Cup (3rd round replay)  
Arsenal 2  
Luton Town 0

Team: Jones, James, Harvey, Scott, Berry, Johnson, Cobb, Lewis, Farrell, Oldfield, Black.  
Sub: Tuite.



Ian Scott



Marcus Tuite

### SOUTH EAST COUNTIES LEAGUE DIVISION TWO

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
1 Southampton	16	11	3	2	55	26	25
2 Swindon Town	15	11	3	1	44	21	25
3 Luton Town	18	8	4	6	55	42	20
4 Bournemouth	16	8	4	4	36	32	20
5 Wimbledon	15	9	1	5	40	18	19
6 Colchester	15	6	3	6	26	31	15
7 Brentford	16	4	6	6	34	41	14
8 Brighton	17	6	2	9	19	32	14
9 Bristol R.	15	4	5	6	28	28	13
10 Tottenham	17	5	3	9	32	37	13
11 Oxford Utd	16	4	5	7	27	34	13

Up to and including Jan. 11th

# Introducing Aston Villa



Aston Villa arrive here this afternoon hoping to build on a mini-revival which saw them put Portsmouth out of the FA Cup in a replay and draw 3-3 at Coventry in the First Division last Saturday.

Last Saturday's point at Highfield Road was salvaged with a late equaliser from former Hatters favourite Paul Elliott who joined Villa from Luton in early December for a £400,000 fee. The goal was Elliott's first since leaving Kenilworth Road.

Unhappily for him, however, Villa have suffered a run of poor results in the last two months and they have slipped from 11th in the First Division in September to 18th at the turn of the year.

Manager Graham Turner has been under great pressure as he tried to build a new young side around such promising youngsters as Elliott, Steve Hodge and Mark Walters.

Players likely to be on duty today:

**Nigel Spinks**—Big goalkeeper Nigel made his name when he came on for the injured Jim-

my Rimmer to win a European Cup medal in 1982. Came from Chelmsford and has won one England cap.

**David Norton**—The regular right-back, David is an England youth cap and a local lad who has been converted from midfield to defence.

**Tony Dorigo**—Flew from Australia for a trial, impressed and stayed. One of the most-improved and highly-rated left-backs in the First Division.

**Allan Evans**—A veteran of the European Cup final in 1982, Scottish cap Allan has been captain and regular central defender for three seasons. A vastly-experienced player.

**Paul Elliott**—Needs little introduction to Town fans who followed his development at close quarters after he arrived at Kenilworth Road from Charlton in 1983. A broken leg in 1984 held him back and ironically led to Luton signing his replacement Steve Foster from Villa.

**Paul Birch**—Earned a medal in the European Super Cup in 1983 but niggling injuries have since held him up. A right-sided midfielder



Back row, from left: Tony Dorigo, Andy Gray, Nigel Spink, Kevin Poole, Brendan Ormsby, Dean Glover.  
Middle row: John Williams (Physio), Paul Birch, David Norton, Mark Walters, Gary Shaw, Steve McMahon, Gary Williams, Malcolm Beard, (First Team Coach).  
Front row: Tony Daley, Darren Bradley, Allan Evans, Graham Turner (Manager), Ray Walker, Colin Gibson, Paul Kerr.



Graham Turner took over as manager of Aston Villa on Monday, July 16th 1984 following the departure of Tony Barton. He had previously had more than 11 years with Shrewsbury Town as player and then player-manager.

Born at Ellesmere Port in October 1947, he joined Wrexham from school and made his league debut as a 16-year-old ground staff boy. In January 1968, he moved to Chester where he played more than 200 league games before becoming Shrewsbury's most expensive signing at £30,000 in January 1973.

He began as a centre-half and later became a midfielder. In all he has made more than 700 league appearances for his three clubs. At Shrewsbury he was named as Third Division Manager of the Year.

and regular scorer.

**Paul Kerr**—Another to have come up through the ranks, Paul is a natural forward with a hunger for goals and a player of whom much is expected.

**Simon Stainrod**—Sheffield-born striker with swaggering style and skills. Ex-Sheffield United, Oldham, QPR, signed by Villa for £250,000 in 1985 from Sheffield Wednesday.

**Andy Gray**—One of the bravest Scottish centre-forwards now in his second spell with Villa after a career with Dundee United, Wolves and Everton. Has won all the honours and many international caps.

**Steve Hodge**—Steve was Graham Turner's second signing when he arrived from Nottingham Forest for £400,000 in August 1985.

**Mark Walters**—Birmingham-born Mark has become one of the trickiest wingers in the country. Ex-England schoolboy, youth and under-21 international.

**Dean Glover**—A solid and reliable defender who has given sterling service to Villa in the reserves and in the first team before the arrival of Elliott.

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# AROUND the TOWN **Extra**

LOOKING FORWARD IN 1986



There were plenty of optimistic smiles around the club in recent weeks with members of the Oak Road end enjoying lunch and a club tour with the directors and staff and youngsters taking part in a two-day coaching course. Also pictured is the exchange of pennants by Supporters United on New Year Day and Mike Newell, our new signing from wigna Athletic.



RICKY HILL



## Club Comment

### Exciting plans for testimonial

"It does not seem like 10 years to me at all since I was preparing to make my Luton Town debut here at Kenilworth Road against Bristol Rovers, when I came on as a substitute and was lucky enough to score in a 3-1 win. But it is! And for me that means it is my testimonial year—a very exciting event and which I hope I can share with all our fans.

"My testimonial committee—chaired by Chris Evans (Vice-President), with Gary Chamberlin (a Kenilworth Suite member), Tony Lambert (Club '82), Ray Beresford (Century Club), John Boylen (Club '82), John Peters (Club '82) and my brother Ian Hill—have been doing a great job getting things together and I thought it would be an idea to give you a run-down on them.

### Luton v. England

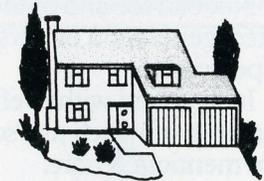
"One of the major events is going to be a Golf Day and another a special snooker tournament, which is still in the pipeline, involving the Barry Hearn School. As you may know, I like to play a bit of snooker every now and then!

"There is also planned to be a big function at the Inn on the Park in London and of course on April 8th the most important and exciting event of all—a testimonial match between my Luton Town XI and Bobby Robson's England XI. The club managers of the England players have already agreed to release their players and it promises to be a fantastic night all round. A dress rehearsal for England before Mexico—and perfect timing for our team to make an impression on the England manager again."

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## Views from the MEDIA

### Harford hogs the headlines

Mick Harford's hat-trick stole all the headlines following our last home match when we beat Leicester City 3-1. a booming long shot, a towering header and a close-range follow-up to a Ricky Hill drive brought Mick his first treble since joining the club in 1984. And they served to boost his World Cup hopes for a call-up with England as these comments from a selection of the match reports show:

Powerful in the air, Harford drew praise from Mr. Milne. 'He took all his goals very well and is difficult to play against.' But Harford, who pushed his tally for the season to 14, said: 'If you want to talk about internationals, why don't you look at Les Sealey and Steve Foster?'"

#### Important year

**Daily Telegraph:** "The growing list of England fans clamouring for Mick Harford, the Luton striker, to be included in the Mexico party could have added another supporter—Gordon Milne, the Leicester manager, to their ranks at Kenilworth Road, yesterday. Mr. Milne saw the rugged, persistent Harford destroy his struggling Leicester team with a superb hat-trick the first in his 14-month career at Luton.

"Harford struck in the 27th, 65th and 75th minutes to dash any hopes Leicester had of starting the New Year on a victorious note.

**Daily Mirror:** "Mick Harford, the Luton striker who must be on England's Mexico short list, yesterday started the most important year of his career with a magnificent hat-trick. Luton brought on the can-can girls at half-time and it was 26-year-old Harford, now with 14 goals this season, who led Leicester a merry dance."  
**The Sun:** "Mick Harford gave the Luton fans a double treat—a stunning hat-trick and a smile. The usually dour Geordie actually managed a broad grin as he calmly rolled in his third goal to 'Harford for England' chants."

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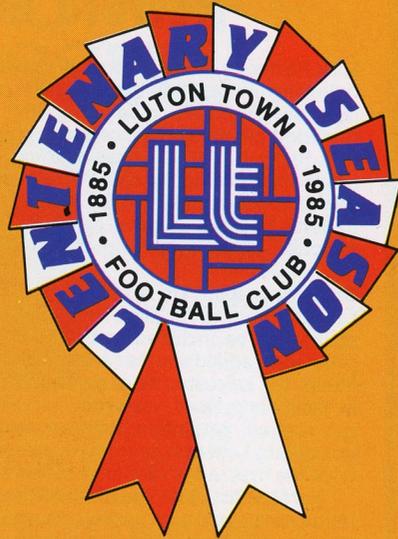
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Bruce Rioch left Luton to sign for Aston Villa in a £100,000 deal in 1969 after making 149 League appearances and scoring 47 goals for the Hatters. The son of an army RSM, Rioch was a Kenilworth Road apprentice with a sledgehammer shot who went on to become captain of Scotland.



## THE LUTON TOWN STORY



OLDER Town fans may recall our first League meeting with this afternoon's visitors Aston Villa which took place at Kenilworth Road on September 1st, 1937. Local reports described the scenes before the match and around the ground as almost unbelievable.

It was the Town's home debut in the Second Division following the Joe Payne-inspired promotion from Division Three (South) and the supporters for the midweek evening game were arriving as early as four pm for the match. The gates closed soon after six at the Oak Road end and shortly afterwards on the Kenilworth Road terrace.

The atmosphere was exceptional and highly-charged by an exciting match which the Luton team eventually won 3-2 . . . one of several memorable encounters between the two clubs during the Town's long association with Aston Villa, a vivid chapter in the 100-year history of Luton Town, being celebrated this season with the club's Centenary.

### Official history

That first match is just one of many documented in detail in the official history of the club *The Luton Town Story 1885-1985* which, it is hoped, will be reprinted, in a revised second edition, in the near future. The book sold out in less than four months following its publication in August 1985.

Order your copy now to avoid disappointment—it's a book every supporter will be proud to read.

Chris Nicholl joined Aston Villa from Luton in 1972 after making 97 League appearances and scoring six goals at Kenilworth Road. He joined Luton from Halifax in 1969. A tall, powerful and dominant centre-half, he was one of the cornerstones of the Northern Ireland team for many years.



Paul Elliott, pictured with a BBC-Robinson's Barley Water Young Player of the Month Award, left the Town last year when he joined Villa for £400,000. He was always a popular player here and be welcomed "home" again today.



# All Our

## VILLA STILL SEEKING FIRST LEAGUE WIN AT KENILWORTH ROAD

AFTER meeting several of our "bogey" teams during the first half of the season at Kenilworth Road, it makes a pleasant change to welcome opposition this afternoon who probably regard Luton Town as a jinx club to visit. Aston Villa have never won a League encounter at Kenilworth Road prior to today and although they have triumphed in friendly matches (1951 and 1969) and the Football League Cup (1964), it is doubtless a record that irritates the superstitious among their followers.

Our first League meeting took place on September 1st, 1937, in what was our initial League game at home in the Second Division following promotion. During the close season, the Kenilworth Road terrace had been doubled in size to its present height, the Maple Road end of the main stand had been erected and many new turnstiles installed to give the ground a supposed capacity of 34,000.

### Record crowd

Early-season optimism, attractive opposition and new facilities attracted a large crowd and the gates were closed long before the kick-off. when the albeit record crowd was counted, however, it was found to be 25,349—a figure that was afterwards attributed to inadequate packing!

The Town, however, delighted the crowd with a thrilling performance and a 3-2 win in a fast and open game, Joe Payne inevitably getting on the scoresheet. But five days later in the return at Villa Park it was a different story, the eventual Division Two champions easing through with a 4-1 win with former Villan George Stephenson notching the only Town goal.

Our paths did not cross against until we,

# Yesterdays

in turn, were promoted to Division One in 1955. We lost unluckily at Villa Park on November 12th that year with Villa's keeper Keith Jones playing with "uncanny anticipation" but won at Kenilworth Road 2-1 with Reg Pearce scoring both goals.

The following season saw our first win at Villa Park when on April 27th, 1957, Gordon Turner scored twice in a 3-1 win which partially avenged an FA Cup replay defeat the previous January. This League game marked the last appearance of Roy Davies in the Town colours.

### League double

Aston Villa were relegated in 1959, but quickly returned the following season as we were losing our own First division place. We were not destined to meet

again until 1972 when on November 18th we won 2-0 at Villa Park with Rodney Fern and John Aston on the scoresheet. Unable to prevent Luton's sixth away win in only nine trips at that stage of the season were former Hatters Bruce Rioch and Chris Nicholl.

In the following year, a League double was achieved with Peter Anderson scoring the goal at Kenilworth Road and Jimmy Ryan netting from a disputed last-minute penalty at Villa Park in the rain to set us up for promotion again at the end of the season.

### Moss winner

However, as we went up and then down again, so we missed Villa again . . . and it was not un-

Mark Walters and Paul Elliott, now teammates at Aston Villa, are pictured clashing for the ball during our home victory in 1983.



til 1982 that our meetings recommenced. Few will forget the last-minute goal by David Moss here on April 9th, 1983, which set up an exciting run-in to the "sudden-death" escape from relegation at Maine Road on the final day.

Moss was again on target in our 1-0 win the following season, but last year it was David Preece's turn to score the winner on his Luton Town debut.

### A summary of our League matches against Aston Villa

Luton score first		Overall summary of results:							
Year	Home	Away	Home	P	W	D	L	F	A
1937-38	3-2	1-4	10	8	2	0	15	5	
1955-56	2-1	0-1	11	4	1	6	11	18	
1956-57	0-3	1-2	21	12	3	6	26	23	
1957-58	3-0	0-2							
1958-59	2-1	1-3							
1972-73	0-0	2-0							
1973-74	1-0	1-0							
1982-83	2-1	1-4							
1983-84	1-0	0-0							
1984-85	1-0	1-0							
1985-86	-	1-3							

Club statistician: Roger Wash

First Team

1985-86 SEASON

# UPDATE

## Canon League Division One

	P	W	D	L	F	A	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
1 Manchester U.	25	9	3	1	21	3	8	1	3	24	14	55
2 Everton	26	9	2	2	35	15	6	3	4	25	20	50
3 Liverpool	26	10	3	0	32	9	4	5	4	20	18	50
4 Chelsea	24	11	0	1	24	8	4	5	3	15	15	50
5 West Ham	24	8	2	1	26	9	6	4	3	13	11	48
6 Sheffield Wed	25	7	4	1	22	19	5	3	5	18	20	43
7 Arsenal	24	9	3	1	18	8	3	3	5	10	18	42
8 Luton Town	26	7	5	1	24	8	4	3	6	17	21	41
9 Nottingham F.	26	7	2	4	23	18	5	2	6	21	20	40
10 Newcastle U.	25	6	3	3	22	17	3	6	4	13	20	36
11 Tottenham	25	7	1	4	29	15	3	4	6	10	16	35
12 Watford	25	8	2	2	28	13	1	4	8	14	29	33
13 Manchester C.	26	5	5	3	17	15	3	3	7	13	18	32
14 Southampton	25	8	4	1	25	9	0	2	10	8	27	30
15 QPR	25	7	2	3	17	10	2	1	9	10	25	30
16 Coventry City	25	3	3	7	20	22	3	4	5	12	21	25
17 Leicester City	26	4	6	3	23	20	2	1	10	10	27	25
18 Aston Villa	26	2	5	6	15	18	3	4	6	16	23	24
19 Oxford Utd.	25	5	4	3	23	16	0	4	9	14	36	23
20 Ipswich Town	26	3	4	6	11	17	3	1	9	9	21	23
21 Birmingham C.	25	4	1	8	9	14	1	2	9	5	21	18
22 West Brom.	26	2	4	7	13	24	0	3	10	10	36	13

League table as January 15th, 1986

### LEAGUE, CUP APPEARANCES & GOALSCORERS

	League		Milk Cup		FA Cup	
	App	Gls	App	Gls	App	Gls
T. Breacker	23		3		1	
A. Dibble	7				1	
M. Donaghy	26		3		1	
P. Elliott	3(3)					
S. Foster	20	2	3		1	
A. Grimes	1(1)		1(1)			
M. Harford	23	14	2		1	
R. Hill	22	2	3	1	1	
R. Johnson	4	1				
P. Nicholas	25		2		1	
E. Nwajobi	18	4	3	1		
G. Parker	4(4)		1			
D. Preece	26	2	3	2	1	1
B. Stein	26	13	3	2	1	1
M. Thomas	24	1	2		1	
M. Stein	1					
L. Sealey	19		3		1	
M. North	6(2)	2	1	1	1	
R. Daniel	1(2)	1	1			
A. King	2					
S. North	1					
M. Newell	1					
Own goal		1				

### Leading League and Cup goalscorers

- 22—Lineker (Everton)
  - 21—Dixon (Chelsea)
  - 20—McAvennie (West Ham)
  - 19—Newell (Luton—19 for Wigan)
  - 17—Aldridge (Oxford)
- (up to January 15th)

	FA	Att	Pos	1
Aug 17 Nottingham Forest	1-1	11,381	—	Dibble
Aug 21 Newcastle United	2-2	21,304	—	Dibble
Aug 24 West Ham United	1-0	14,104	8	Dibble
Aug 27 Arsenal	2-2	10,012	10	Dibble
Aug 31 Aston Villa	1-3	10,524	12	Dibble
Sept 7 Chelsea	1-1	10,720	15	Dibble
Sept 14 Everton	0-2	26,419	16	Dibble
Sept 21 Queens Park Rangers	2-0	9,508	14	Sealey
Sept 24 Sheffield United (MC 2r 1l)	2-1	8,943	—	Sealey
Sept 28 Sheffield Wednesday	2-3	17,887	15	Sealey
Oct 1 Ipswich Town	1-0	8,553	14	Sealey
Oct 5 Manchester United	1-1	17,454	14	Sealey
Oct 8 Sheffield Utd (MC 2r 2l)	3-1	5,660	—	Sealey
Oct 12 Oxford United	1-1	10,626	14	Sealey
Oct 19 Southampton	7-0	8,876	13	Sealey
Oct 26 Liverpool	2-3	31,488	13	Sealey
Oct 29 Norwich City (MC 3rd)	0-2	8,202	—	Sealey
Nov 2 Birmingham City	2-0	8,550	10	Sealey
Nov 9 Tottenham Hotspur	3-1	19,163	10	Sealey
Nov 16 Coventry City	0-1	9,607	11	Sealey
Nov 23 Watford	2-1	16,107	8	Sealey
Nov 30 Manchester City	2-1	10,096	8	Sealey
Dec 7 Newcastle United	2-0	10,319	7	Sealey
Dec 14 Nottingham Forest	0-2	12,078	8	Sealey
Dec 21 West Ham United	0-0	14,599	8	Sealey
Dec 26 West Bromwich Albion	2-1	12,508	8	Sealey
Dec 28 Ipswich Town	1-1	16,555	8	Sealey
Jan 1 Leicester City	3-1	10,917	8	Sealey
Jan 4 Crystal Palace (FAC 3r)	2-1	9,886	—	Sealey
Jan 11 Chelsea	0-1	21,102	8	Sealey
Jan 18 Aston Villa				
Jan 25 Bristol R. (FAC 4r)				
Feb 1 Arsenal				
Feb 8 Southampton				
Feb 15 Liverpool (FAC5)				
Feb 22 Queens Park Rangers				
Mar 1 Sheffield Wednesday				
Mar 8 Manchester United (FAC6)				
Mar 15 Oxford United				
Mar 22 Everton				
Mar 29 Leicester City				
April 1 West Bromwich Albion				
April 5 Birmingham City (FAC s/f)				
April 12 Tottenham Hotspur				
April 19 Coventry City				
April 26 Watford				
May 3 Manchester City				

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	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12
Breacker	Thomas	Nicholas	Foster	Donaghy	Hill*	Stein B.1	Harford	Nwajobi	Preece	Parker ●	
Thomas	Grimes	Nicholas	Elliott	Donaghy	Parker	Stein B.	Harford1	Nwajobi1	Preece	North M.	
Johnson	Thomas	Nicholas	Elliott	Donaghy	Parker	Stein B.	Harford1	Nwajobi	Preece	North M.	
Breacker	Thomas	Nicholas	Parker	Donaghy	Hill	Stein B.1	Harford	Nwajobi1	Preece	Grimes	
Breacker	Thomas	Nicholas	Johnson*	Donaghy	Hill	Stein B.1	Harford	Nwajobi	Preece	Parker ●	
Johnson	Thomas	Nicholas	Foster	Donaghy	Hill	Stein B.	Harford1	Nwajobi	Preece*	Elliott ●	
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Breacker	Thomas	Nicholas	Foster1	Donaghy	Hill	Stein B.	Harford1	Stein M.	Preece	Nwajobi ●	
Breacker	Thomas	Nicholas	Foster	Donaghy	Hill	Stein B.1	Harford	Nwajobi1	Preece	Elliott	
Breacker	Thomas	Nicholas	Foster	Donaghy	Hill	Stein B.	Harford2	Nwajobi	Preece	Elliott ●	
Breacker	Thomas	Nicholas*	Foster	Donaghy	Hill	Stein B.	Harford	Nwajobi1	Preece	Parker	
Breacker	Thomas	Nicholas	Foster	Donaghy	Hill	Stein B.1	North M.*	Nwajobi	Preece	Elliott ●	
Breacker	Thomas	Nicholas	Foster	Donaghy	Hill1	Stein B.	North M.1	Nwajobi	Preece1	Elliott	
Breacker	Thomas	Nicholas	Foster	Donaghy	Hill	Stein B.1	Harford	Nwajobi	Preece	North M.	
Breacker	Thomas	Nicholas	Foster	Donaghy	Hill1	Stein B.3	Harford	Nwajobi1	Preece1*	Daniel ●	
Breacker	Johnson	Daniel	Foster1	Donaghy	Hill	Stein B.	Harford1	Nwajobi	Preece*	Grimes ●	
Breacker	Johnson*	Daniel	Foster	Donaghy	Hill	Stein B.	Harford	Nwajobi	Parker	Grimes ●	
Breacker	Thomas	Nicholas	Foster	Donaghy	Hill	Stein B.1	Harford1	Nwajobi	Preece	Grimes	
Breacker*	Thomas	Nicholas	Foster	Donaghy	Hill1	Stein B.1	Harford1	Nwajobi	Preece	Elliott	
Breacker	Thomas	Nicholas	Foster	Donaghy	Hill	Stein B.	Harford	Nwajobi	Preece	Parker ●	
Breacker	Thomas1	Nicholas	Foster	Donaghy	Hill	Stein B.	Harford	Nwajobi	Preece	Daniel +	
Breacker	Thomas	Nicholas	Elliott	Donaghy	Hill	Stein B.2	Harford	Nwajobi*	Preece	Daniel ●	
Breacker	Thomas	Nicholas	Foster	Donaghy	Hill	Stein B.	Harford1	King*	Preece	North M.1 ●	
Breacker	Thomas	Nicholas	Foster	Donaghy	Parker	Stein B.	Harford	King*	Preece	North M. ●	
Breacker	Thomas	Nicholas	Foster	Donaghy	Hill	Stein B.	Harford	North M.	Preece	King	
Breacker	Thomas	Nicholas	Foster	Donaghy	Hill	Stein B.	Harford1	North M.1	Preece	Johnson	
Breacker	Thomas	Nicholas	North S.	Donaghy	Hill	Stein B.	Harford	North M.1	Preece	Johnson	
Breacker	Thomas	Nicholas	Foster	Donaghy	Hill	Stein B.	Harford3	North M.	Preece	King	
Breacker	Thomas	Nicholas	Foster	Donaghy	Hill	Stein B.1	Harford	North M.	Preece1	Johnson R.	
Breacker	Thomas	Nicholas	Foster	Donaghy	Hill	Stein B.	Newell	North M.	Preece	Daniel	

MC=Milk Cup FAC=Fa Cup \*Indicates player substituted ●Substitute used

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1 Les Sealey	1 Nigel Spinks
2 Tim Breacker	2 Gary Williams
3 Mitchell Thomas	3 Tony Dorigo
4 Peter Nicholas	4 Allan Evans
5 Steve Foster	5 Paul Elliott
6 Mal Donaghy	6 Paul Birch
7 Ricky Hill	7 Paul Kerr
8 Brian Stein	8 Simon Stainrod
9 Mike Newell	9 Andy Gray
10 Marc North	10 Darren Bradley
11 David Preece	11 Mark Walters
Sub	Sub

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