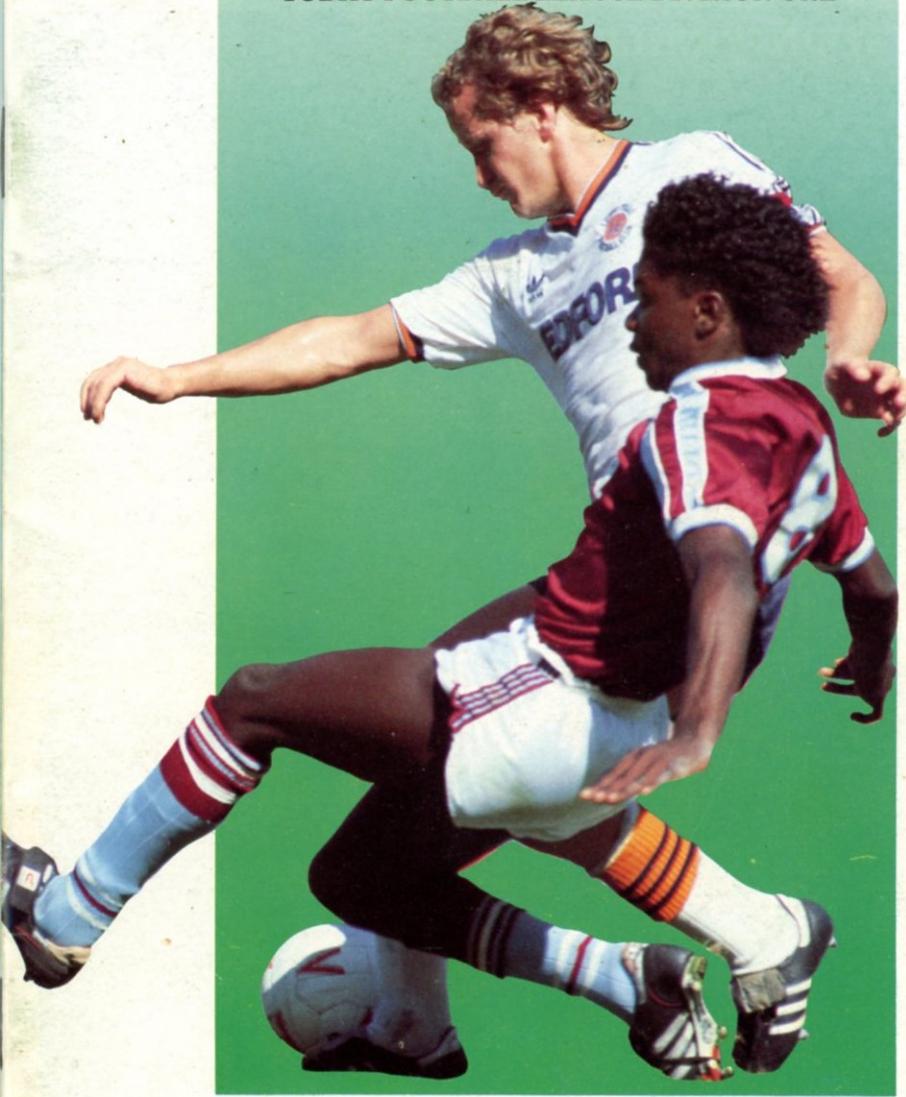


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# ACTION

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• **Take that:** Brian Stein celebrates after rapping in the winner in our last home match when we beat Manchester City 1-0. Perry Suckling is out for the count with disbelief!

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# MOORE ABOUT FOOTBALL

**Welcome** to Norwich City. Let us hope for another good game in the tradition of our meetings with the friendly Norfolk Club. I expect it to be a good contest and a particularly interesting game. They are at the top of the league and will obviously offer us a stern challenge as we seek to maintain our good home record.

I was pleased with our general performance at Tottenham last week and only disappointed that we did not score to gain a victory. Much of our play was good and I hope it will be continued today. We are still working hard for the elusive goals and I thank our fans for their patience and understanding.

### Young strikers

We have a very young forward line at present. But Mark Stein, Marc North and Mike Newell have been working exceptionally hard. Perhaps they will help us avenge our League Cup defeat last season with some goals today? We should remember, however, that there is more to the game than just the goals and our play has been of good standard in our last two games. Had the goals gone in at Tottenham last week and the match ended 3-3, it would have been declared a classic!

On the injury front, we are still without Mick Harford who now has a condition called cellulitis. Mick is taking a course of penicillin to help clear it up, but I doubt if he will be match-fit for a return to first team action today. He is a very determined character, however, and always capable of making rapid recoveries.

The experience of Mick Harford and Brian Stein was obviously missed last week. But I think it only right to point out that the three lads who played have a total of less than 50 First Division appearances between them. They have worked very hard and deserve support and patience.

I shall be glad to see them gain the rewards today and to enjoy a fine, open and entertaining game. It is always a pleasure to be involved in matches at the top end of the table. Enjoy the game.



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# Mailbag

Write to The Editor, Luton Town F.C.,  
Kenilworth Road, Luton by Tuesday a.m.

## Appalling decision

Dear Sir,

I am writing about the appalling decision made by the Football League committee on having thrown Luton Town out of the Littlewoods Cup.

As a season ticket-holder myself, I think they have acted wrongly as you are the only team who has tried to compete with and tackle hooliganism. You should have at least been given a chance to use the clubs idea effectively not only just on the league matches but also through to cup matches as well. I hope the F.A. will not ban us from the F.A. cup too.

I already think the Football League has turned its back on you and I shall support you on through it.

Yours sincerely

Paul Blow

14 Ribble Close  
Newport Pagnell, Bucks

## Sane example

Dear Sir,

No compromise please, your club has shown the way to sanity, unless the people who control football build on your exam-

ple there won't be a league never mind challenge cup competitions.

The true football fans are with Luton Town 100%. Thank you, best wishes on and off the pitch.

Yours faithfully

John Bowman

20 Yewdale Road  
Bell Vue South, Carlisle



•David Evans: No complaints

## Belfast connection

Dear Sir,

I am writing to inform you of the formation of the "First London Northern Ireland Supporter Club".

Having already had a couple of successful meetings we are looking for more members. We will be organising a trip to Belfast for the Northern Ireland v

## Watford Programme Fair

Dear Sir,

The Watford Programme Fair takes place on October 12th at the Dean Park Hotel, St Albans Road, Watford between 11.00 am - 2.30 pm.

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Best wishes

Dick Rattray  
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# GIRL TALK



## Sporting ethics

At school I was taught that co-operation was more important than competition. We did compete—for form prizes, subject prizes, and the most coveted, the Merit Prize, awarded to the girl who'd made the most effort to improve. Netball was valued because, being a team game, it required co-operative effort. We wanted to win, and frequently did, but that didn't stop us admiring the skills and efforts of our opponents.

I have been reminded of this at Kenilworth Road this season as Luton's opponents have been applauded – without weakening support for our team. Now refreshment sellers, some of them quite young, peddle their wares up and down the aisles of the stands without fear of being menaced by louts. Elsewhere refreshment vendors are often behind counters and re-inforced glass barriers.

## Impromptu gesture

Police are little in evidence, and stewards can help people rather than be little more than bouncers. Recently Gareth Owen photographed Cancer Research collectors with Kenilworth the Cat. As an impromptu gesture, he included girls and boys from the Oak Road Stand. These children climbed on to the pitch, posed with scarves held high, and

returned to their seats: minimum fuss – maximum enjoyment.

If there were away fans would this have happened? Barriers between fans and pitch would have made it difficult, and the away fans would probably have been jeering at Kenilworth anyway, making the atmosphere unpleasant.

## Civilised

Of course we'd all like to see support for the opposition at our ground but we don't want the mindless partisan idiots who've attached themselves to football over the years. I don't want to listen to obscene chanting, cheers when a foul has been committed or a player injured, or verbal abuse of our players.

I do appreciate being able to travel to the ground and watch the match with no fear of being attacked. If the only way to make football civilised is to ban the away supporter then that's what clubs must do. Kenilworth Road might be slightly quieter this season. It is certainly a more pleasant place to be.

**Gale Waller**

Anyone wanting to contribute to Girl Talk, please write to: The Editor, Luton Town F.C., Dunstable Road, Luton, Beds.

## Luton News



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**THURSDAYS 14p**

Tottenham 0 Luton Town 0

No goals, but a good performance and a decent result was the outcome as the Town extended their unbeaten run in First Division fixtures against Spurs to four games at White Hart Lane last Saturday. Although the style of last season's 3-1 victory was not to be equalled, there was still plenty of good football to enjoy . . . and a few missed chances to rue.

With Brian Stein suspended and Mick Harford unfit to return to action for the first time this season, the Town fielded a relatively inexperienced front line. But Mike Newell, Marc North and Mark Stein worked hard to create chances and were unlucky not to snatch a goal.

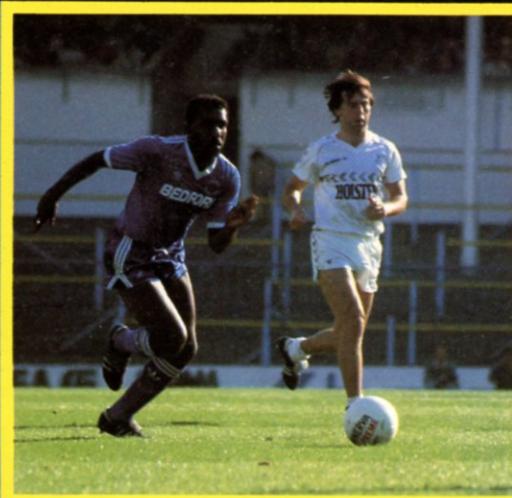
Tottenham were also under-strength in attack with Clive Allen injured, Mark Falco transferred to Watford and new signing Nico Clausen not eligible to play and, as a result, both defences dominated.

Mark Stein, in particular, impressed among the Town's young attackers and his twisting and turning runs provided most of the danger. In the first half, Stein was thwarted by Clemence when the former England goalkeeper made a superb save and in the second he set up Mike Newell. Again, Clemence made a miraculous save to prevent the Town going in front.

Steve Foster and Mal Donaghy were well in command with Peter Nicholas also in commanding form and Les Sealey saved brilliantly when called upon.

**Teams:** - Tottenham - Clemence, D. Thomas, M. Thomas, Roberts, Mabbett, Gough, Allen, (sub Ardiles 63), Waddle, Howells, Hoddle, Galvin. Luton - Sealey, Johnson, Grimes, Nicholas, Foster, Donaghy, Hill, M. Stein, Newell, North, Preece.  
**Referee** - A. Seville (Birmingham).

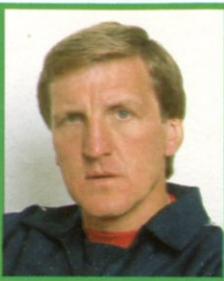
# 1st Team ACTION



• Capital draw: Our bright performance at White Hart Lane on Saturday was not accompanied by goals or rewarded with a victory. But our youthful three-man attack did well even if they were out of luck with their shooting. Mike Newell and Mark Stein had chances without success. Our pictures today show Mark and Mike making their presence felt in the Spurs penalty area and Ricky Hill bursting past Tony Galvin on one of several impressive runs. Pictures by Sportswide Photography.

# VIEWS from the BENCH

## Ray Harford



Chief coach Ray Harford believes the indefinite ban on English clubs from European club competitions can only lead to an increasing rift between our domestic game and the Continental and world game. As a lover of skill, fine techniques and cultured tactical football, he thinks this will leave the English game at an increasing disadvantage on the international stage. Today, in his Views, he explains why:

### Brilliant Di Stefano

"One of my best and earliest memories of European football came with the great Real Madrid side and their fantastic 7-3 win over Eintracht Frankfurt in Glasgow in the European Cup final in 1960. They were brilliant and they set a style and a standard to follow. In Alfredo Di Stefano, their centre-forward, they also had a brilliant total footballer who could look comfortable with the ball anywhere on the pitch.

"We, in England, have never really learned from that match or tried to adopt the Continental styles until recent years with the success of Liverpool. Unfortunately, Liverpool are almost an island in the English game now as they set their standards on their own and no-one has a chance to compare and compete with the Europeans.

### European football

"I said in my last programme notes that we are a bit impatient as a nation and don't like to see the ball spend too long on the ground or being passed around. But at least European football gave us and our fans a chance to see the wonderful football played that way and would have helped us to adapt our standards.

"Football is really about skill and technique and good play with the ball. What makes Diego Maradona such a brilliant player is not that he can jump high or tackle powerfully – it is his sheer genius with the ball.

"He can beat players and score goals, but he also knows when to play it long and when to play it short and he can play it one touch or two or three touch. He has enough football intelligence to make the right selections.

"All this variation and thought allied to high skills is what, to my mind, makes the top soccer played in Europe so valuable as an experience for our game and our players. We cannot advance if we don't get that experience and it is a shame.

### Continental techniques

"For example, in technique, the Continentals are way ahead of us. They are encouraged to use the outside of their feet for playing the ball and when running. Not the inside. That gives them a great advantage over our old-fashioned style. Of course, we have some players here in England and some at Luton who have high-quality techniques, but they are not in common use in the English game.

"And unless we can find ways of keeping our players in contact with these sort of skills in competitive games we are going to drift more and more into our own sort of game away from the mainstream.

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On Saturday, October 25th, we are at home to Liverpool in a Today League Division One fixture, kick-off 3 pm.

On Saturday, November 1st, we are at home to Queens Park Rangers in a Today League Division One fixture, kick-off 3 pm.

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### Pre-match Entertainment

We welcome Luton Schools and Lowestoft Schools Under-15 teams who are kindly providing the pre-match entertainment today. Please give the teams your support.

The music is provided by the Pipes and Drums of R.A.F. Halton by kind permission of Group Captain R.H. Kyle.

### Recognition for Luton's Irish Scout

Our Republic of Ireland scout Eddie Corcoran has earned national recognition across the Irish Sea by being appointed as international manager Jack Charlton's official national scout. "It is a great honour for him and he will, of course, continue to work for Luton Town and me," said Town chief scout Ron Howard. We have also seen the success of Ron's staff and scouting network with a fine Youth Cup victory recently. See pages 20-21.

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### YOUR VIEWS

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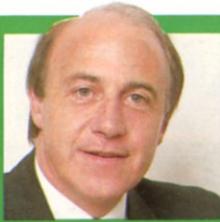
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by BILL TOMLINS

## IN THE WALL



• Giving advice: Steve Foster is never content to keep his comments in his column, I am pleased to say and certainly broke up the silence when he stood on the end of this 'wall' during our last home match

## THE TOWN

## Today's the day to welcome the league's new sponsors

Welcome to today's first Today league division one match at Kenilworth Road. I'm glad it's not a midweek game . . . tonight's Today fixture would not have quite the same ring, would it?

I am pleased to see the Football League has another sponsor and feel sure Today newspaper will enjoy and profit from its success in liaison with our game as much as previous sponsors Canon did. It may be a cause for a few jokes to begin with – and I promise not to repeat them in this column – but will certainly boost the popularity of the newspaper and ensure it has a high profile.

The terms of the deal are virtually identical to the previous one with Canon and this means perimeter advertising around the ground and further advertising in our match day programme. I believe Steve Foster's headband is still open to negotiation!

I am happy to welcome Anglia Television to Kenilworth Road today for the second time this season. They sponsored our home match against Southampton and I am delighted they are back here this afternoon to televise our

clash with Norwich City for their programme tonight.

Our electronic scoreboards will, I hope, be fitted and in full working order this afternoon. They are the most advanced of their type available and we are indebted to sponsors Wallspan Bedrooms for them. Our director Terry Bailey was behind the original scoreboard and he has once again shown his belief in the worthiness and success of soccer as a successful media for marketing his company with his backing of the boards.

Finally a warm welcome to this afternoon's match sponsors Luton North Rotary Club. They will be collecting to raise funds to provide a new mini-bus for Richmond Hill School for Children with Special Needs and also appealing for the Sponsor a Pensioner scheme which helps to provide transport to matches.

Last year, they raised £1,900 – a figure they would be more than pleased to match today. Their efforts last season earned them the Rotary District Community Service Award.

## COOL CAT KENILWORTH SHOWS THE WAY



• Kenilworth meets the stars: Kenilworth the Cat, who has been promoting peaceful and happy enjoyment of football on page 24 of our club match day programme this season, turned out to meet the referee, captains and young mascot Matthew Smith when we met Manchester City. Pictured with Kenilworth are Kenny Clements, Jim Borrett and Steve Foster.



• Among the fans: Kenilworth the Cat has proved a popular attraction with our members at our recent home matches. Here he is pictured getting amongst the fans in the Oak Road stand at our last home match.



• Having fun: Our big pussy Kenilworth the Cat is a true Town fan and enjoys getting the best out of our Junior Hatters whenever he can. Here he is trying to show them how to wave scarves and enjoy themselves without causing any trouble at all.



• First showing: Lacrosse made its debut at Kenilworth Road two weeks ago when teams from the East of England and the Midlands gave a display of the sport on our synthetic surface.

## CAPTAIN'S DIARY



STEVE FOSTER

## Youngsters shine

Hello everyone and welcome to an attractive fixture for us against a top of the table team who are enjoying their football.

We enjoyed our visit to Tottenham last week and I thought we played well. I thought it was the best game so far by our young front three players and they did well. We made a lot of chances and at the end could consider ourselves unlucky not to have won the game.

I liked to feel we expressed our football in the right way on the right stage and showed the spectators that we remain one of the best footballing sides around.

## Confidence

I am sure the experience of that performance will give our young lads up front plenty of confidence. Marc North, Mike Newell and Mark Stein have not played many games together and would not have been considered a first-choice line-up earlier in the year but they did themselves credit in a top First Division game.

I think the lads are generally happy about our form and we are also pleased to see Ashley enjoying himself with a run in the team for the first time in ages. He has had terrible luck with injuries and 'Ash' has been doing a good job for us at left-back. All we need is to score a few more goals.

As you know we are out of the Littlewoods Cup. I think we, the players, all stand behind the club on this issue. It is important to make a stand sometimes and it is also more important to play football in safety and peace than to gain entry to a Cup competition. Peace must come first mustn't it?



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# CLUB COMMENT

**John Smith, Executive Director.**

We have been through several weeks in the spotlight and, I am glad to say, have emerged heartened by the support of the vast majority of the general public and our own members. The way in which our fans rallied to our support and lent their weight to petitions and the marvellous schemes of the local press and radio to assist the club have been tremendous and fully appreciated.

Now that the Football League and the Football Association have finally reached decisions on our non-participation and participation in their respective tournaments, we can get on with the job in hand. This is to ensure a successful season and a successful future for our club with a friendly, warm and safe family environment in which to enjoy our football.

#### Public support

There is no doubt that the opinions of the media, the public and many members of the Government and parliament have been taken into consideration, digested and noted for the future by those with the best interests of the game at heart. In our view, it is imperative to provide a safe family atmosphere at the stadium and in and around it to ensure the long-term future of the sport.

Our members, our townsfolk, local retailers, our out of Luton supporters and all those associated with the club have been a great help and encouragement to us in the difficult times we have been through. The determination of our members

and supporters in all these categories has been greatly appreciated.

#### Peaceful stadium

Now we look forward to proving the struggle to maintain our members-only system at the expense of a place in the Littlewoods Challenge Cup has been worthwhile and right.

And the best way to do this is to provide any observers with a peaceful happy stadium full of Luton Town members and supporters behaving impeccably. If Kenilworth Road were to be full for every home match, no-one could have any complaints!

In this light, the initiative taken by our local media to encourage more and more young fans to join in coming to matches with their families has to be commended. We are naturally pleased to know our family membership is both growing and being actively encouraged and look forward to seeing more and more young fans with their parents all around the ground.

#### Determination

In the past, families attended football matches together on Saturday afternoons without any considerations for safety or other matters. This has not been so for several years. We are determined to bring back the sanity and peace that once prevailed in football and have proved our determination.



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# ACTION



◀ Best of youth: Our young reserves and youth teams have captured honours and recognition. Pictured are nine who have won international youth caps (back row, left to right) Ricky McEvoy (Republic of Ireland), Paul Lewis (Wales), Mick O'Brien (Republic of Ireland), Aaron Tighe (Republic of Ireland); (front row, left to right) Marcus Tuite (Republic of Ireland), Neil Poutch (Republic of Ireland), Paul Gray (Northern Ireland), Richard Harvey (England), Ian Scott (England).

Best of North Marc ▶  
North is pictured scoring for the reserves in their 1-3 defeat by Charlton here on September 30. "A well-deserved equaliser and a nice goal" said coach Jim Ryan.

## SOUTH EAST COUNTIES LEAGUE DIVISION TWO

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Southampton	7	6	1	—	30	5	13
Crystal Palace	7	4	1	2	17	11	9
Northampton Town	8	4	1	3	24	19	9
Swindon Town	6	4	—	2	20	11	8
<b>Luton Town</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>8</b>
Brighton & Hove	6	3	2	1	9	6	8
Oxford United	6	3	1	2	16	11	7
Tottenham Hotspur	5	2	2	1	12	7	6
A.F.C. Bournemouth	5	2	1	2	13	9	5
Bristol Rovers	5	2	1	2	7	8	5
Wimbledon	6	2	1	3	5	10	5
Colchester United	6	2	1	3	10	16	5
Reading	8	1	2	5	12	35	4
Southend United	7	1	—	6	7	28	2
Brentford	6	—	—	6	5	19	—

## FOOTBALL COMBINATION 1986/87

Date	Opponents	Result	Date	Opponents	Result
1986			1987		
Aug 23	<b>Arsenal</b>	<b>2-3</b>	Jan 3	Portsmouth	3-2
Aug 26	Ipswich Town	1-2	Jan 10	Arsenal	3-0
Sept 6	<b>Brighton</b>	<b>3-1</b>	Jan 17	<b>Ipswich</b>	
Sept 10	Reading	1-2	Jan 21	Brighton	1-2
Sept 20	<b>Southampton</b>	<b>4-1</b>	Jan 31	Reading	3-0
Sept 27	Chelsea	0-0	Feb 7	<b>Swindon</b>	
Sept 30	<b>Charlton</b>	<b>1-3</b>	Feb 14	Southampton	1-0
Oct 4	<b>Watford</b>	<b>4-2</b>	Feb 21	<b>Chelsea</b>	
Oct 10	Norwich City		Feb 24	Charlton Ath	
Oct 18	<b>Bristol R</b>		Mar 7	<b>Tottenham</b>	
Oct 21	Swindon		Mar 11	Bristol R	
Oct 25	Tottenham		Mar 21	<b>Norwich</b>	
Oct 28	QPR		Mar 28	Watford	
Nov 8	<b>Crystal Palace</b>		Apr 1	Crystal Palace	
Nov 22	<b>Portsmouth</b>		Apr 11	<b>QPR</b>	
Nov 26	Oxford United		Apr 14	Millwall	
Dec 6	<b>Millwall</b>		Apr 25	West Ham	
Dec 9	Fulham		May 2	<b>Oxford</b>	
Dec 20	<b>West Ham</b>		May 6	Fulham	



## SOUTH EAST COUNTIES 1986/87

Date	Opponents	Result	Date	Opponents	Result
1986			1987		
Aug 23	<b>Northampton</b>	<b>3-2</b>	Jan 3	<b>Wimbledon</b>	
Aug 27	Brentford	3-0	Jan 10	Bournemouth	
Aug 30	<b>Brighton</b>	<b>1-2</b>	Jan 24	<b>Colchester</b>	
Sept 2	Bristol R (SJFC)	3-0	Jan 31	Reading	
Sept 6	<b>Crystal Palace</b>	<b>0-0</b>	Feb 7	Brighton	
Sept 13	Tottenham	1-1	Feb 14	Crystal Palace	
Sept 20	Cambridge U†	1-0	Feb 21	<b>Southampton</b>	
Sept 24	Ipswich*	1-0	Feb 28	<b>Bournemouth</b>	
Sept 27	<b>Oxford</b>	<b>5-0</b>	Mar 7	Swindon	
Sept 29	Colchester*	5-2	Mar 21	<b>Swindon</b>	
Oct 4	Northampton	1-2	Mar 28	Southend	
Oct 11	<b>Southend</b>				
Oct 18	Wimbledon				
Oct 25	Colchester				
Nov 1	League Cup 2				
Nov 8	<b>Reading</b>				
Nov 22	<b>Brentford</b>				
Nov 29	Bristol R				
Dec 6	Southampton				
Dec 13	<b>Tottenham</b>				
Dec 20	League Cup 3				
Dec 27	Oxford				

† League Cup

\* Eastern Junior Floodlit Cup

## Reserve & Youth



JIM RYAN



JOHN FAULKNER

### YOUNGSTERS WIN EASTERN JUNIOR FLOODLIT CUP

The Town youth team recorded their second major tournament victory of the year when they succeeded in beating Colchester United youth 5-2 after extra time to lift the Eastern Counties Junior Floodlit Cup.

In May, the youngsters won a prestigious tournament in Feyenoord, Holland when they outgunned teams including Bordeaux, Ajax, Standard Liege, PSV Eindhoven, Werder Bremen, Sparta Rotterdam and Feyenoord to lift the cup with a 4-2 win again in extra time.

Both results have been great encouragement to the boys after all the hard work they have put in, said coach John Faulkner. "It certainly proves that all the practice on the training ground is worthwhile and has a real bearing on matches.

We hope too that the victories will give the boys extra confidence. Scorers, incidentally, in the victory over Colchester, were Johnson (2), Farrell (2), and Gray."

### Reserves beat Watford

The reserves, meanwhile, have continued to enjoy mixed results. A 3-1 home defeat by Charlton being followed by a 4-2 win over Watford last week.

The second game produced goals for Oldfield, Black, Nwajiobi and Tuite.

"We always looked a class better than Watford and really should have scored more goals," said coach Jim Ryan. "In general we played enough good football, but we did not get the bodies into the box at the right time."

For Emeka Nwajiobi, it was the end of a barren run and a well-deserved first goal of the season.

## REPLAY

# INTRODUCING...

## NORWICH CITY

Norwich City arrive here this afternoon sitting proudly on top of the First Division level on points with Nottingham Forest who have a marginally superior goal difference. A single victory over Queen's Park Rangers lifted them to their highest position in the Football League for several years last Saturday.

After winning the Milk Cup (now the Littlewoods Cup) in the 1974-75 season and then being unexpectedly relegated, the Canaries came chirping back last season when they convincingly won the Second Division championship. Manager Ken Brown assembled a promising young team and, in spite of the departures of captain and England centre-half Dave Watson to Everton and England goalkeeper Chris Woods to Glasgow Rangers, they have done him proud this term already.

After nine games, they have suffered only one defeat – at home to Watford – and have remained unbeaten away with draws so far at Chelsea and Manchester City followed by victories at Charlton Athletic and Aston Villa.



Back Row from left: Ian Crook, Kevin Drinkell, Dennis Van Wyk, Robert Rosario, Graham Benstead, Dave Watson (now Everton), Steve Bruce, Michael Phelan (now F.C. Bruges), Wayne Biggins. Front Row: David Hodgson, Trevor Putney, Mark Barham, Dale Gordon, Garry Brooke, Peter Mendham, David Williams, Ian Culverhouse.

Players likely to be on duty today:

**Graham Benstead** – Goalkeeper, born Aldershot. Signed from QPR in May 1985 after loan spell and stepped up to succeed Chris Woods this season.

**Ian Culverhouse** – Full-back. Signed from Tottenham in October 1985 for £40,000 and then enjoyed a spell of 18 games without defeat for the Canaries. Made 30 league appearances last season.

**Tony Spearing** – Ever present at left-back this season. Tony is a quick and adventurous player with a good left foot. Born Romford. Has played on loan at Stoke and Oxford.

**Steve Bruce** – Central defender. Steve took over the captaincy from Dave Watson and has revelled in new responsibilities. Born Corbridge, Newcastle. Signed from Gillingham in July 1984 for £135,000. Enjoys attacking.

**Michael Phelan** – Defender. Born Nelson. Signed from Burnley in May 1985 for £60,000. Ever-present last season when often played in midfield.

**Ian Butterworth** – On loan to Norwich from Nottingham Forest and in the side while fellow



Ken Brown is one of the most respected and popular managers in the English game. A player with West Ham United, he is synonymous with the sort of football which the London club fostered and has maintained since the 1960's when Brown was a stalwart in their First Division defence. For several years, he was assistant to John Bond at Norwich and he stepped up to take over when the present Birmingham City boss moved from Norfolk to Manchester City in 1980. Since then, he has twice steered City back to the First Division from the second in 1982 and 1986. In 1985 he led them back to a Milk Cup triumph which unfortunately was not rewarded with a place in Europe.

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# JUNIOR HATTERS!

BY PETER NICHOLAS

## GREAT WIN FOR OUR YOUTH TEAM IN CUP FINAL

Hello Junior Hatters. I am pleased to let you know that our youth team won the Eastern Junior Floodlit Cup last week. This game was held over from last season. They won by five goals to two after playing extra-time (well done lads).

It was so nice to see so many of the Junior Hatters at Tottenham last Saturday when we accepted the invitation for our Juniors to spend the afternoon in the Junior enclosure with Tottenham Juniors. You looked as if you all enjoyed that game.

### ESCORTS



Rebecca Shanahan



Martin Ely

### MASCOT



Darren Kirby

### ESCORTS



John English



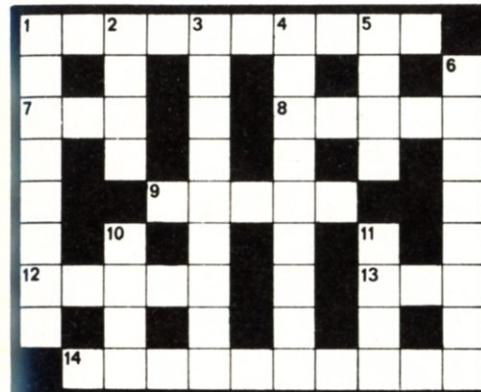
Michael Kane

## KENILWORTH THE CAT



# QUIZ

## Soccer Ninety-Niner No. 3



### Across

- His career falls roughly in two parts: the seventies with QPR and the eighties with West Ham after a **very** costly interchange ... (4,6)
- ... his England caps (3)
- Midfielder Steve (seen chiefly with Charlton) sounds full of determination (5)
- Experienced Stoke defender who moved into management with York in 1982 (5)
- See 5 down
- Hoeness, former West Germany star (3)
- Former Manchester United keeper who became a roving manager – in 1986 he took on Carlisle (5,5)

### Down

- Old defender with Coventry and Gillingham who sounds like one of Solomon's books of the bible (8)
- Half-back who helped the Blades, Spurs, Forest, Magpies and Posh and managed as many more (4)
- The midfielder who 'calls the tune', as it were (9)
- Where – once upon a time – a No. 7 would be expected to operate ... (5,4)
- 5&12ac. ... and No. 7 has been one of the shirts worn by Aberdeen's eighties scoring find (4,5)
- Scoring goals (8)
- Vasco da –, club which has supplied many of Brazil's stars (4)
- The month of the 1986 World Cup final (4)

*The answers to this crossword will appear in the next programme.*

### Answers to First Eleven Competition No. 2

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Dean	David
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Neville	Nigel
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## Views from the media

### Mark Stein impresses at White Hart Lane

Mark Stein stole the headlines and some of the limelight with a fine display at White Hart Lane last week when the town drew 0-0 with Tottenham. Here is a selection of the comments from the Sunday newspapers the following day:

*Sunday Mirror* - "It was Mark Stein and Ricky Hill who gave the Tottenham defence nightmares. Stein was thwarted by Clemence in the 13th minute when he blasted a right-foot shot which had goal written all over it. Then in the second half, Stein skipped past the Tottenham defence to set Mike Newell up from six yards out. But Clemence again saved the day."

#### Hill's vision

*The Sunday Times* - "Mark Stein's ability to turn and go past defenders kept Tottenham's two full-backs - Danny and Mitchell Thomas - at full stretch and Hill's vision, Preece's industry and Nicholas's distribution created much the better chances for the visitors. Twice Clemence had to make important saves in the first half."

*The People* - "Quite simply, Pleat's old team was better than his new one. Only the lack of a goal-grabber kept Luton off the scoresheet."

#### Runaround

*Sunday Express* - "Pleat was left with plenty more problems as his expensive assembly of stars were given a first-half runaround by a smart Luton outfit inspired by Mark Stein, the smalles and the brightest player on view. The industrious Stein set up enough chances for Luton to have won this match but they were spurned by his over-eager team-mates."



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# LUTON TOWN Golden Oldies

## CANARIES, GNASHINGS OF TEETH AND SEVERAL UNPOPULAR TRANSFERS!

We welcome Norwich City to Kenilworth Road fresh from the transfers involving Chris Woods and Dave Watson to Rangers and Everton, writes club



• **Billy Bingham:** Scored the Luton winner in that famous FA Cup semi-final against Norwich City in 1959.

statistician Roger Wash.

But the misgivings of the Norwich supporters to those transfers was nothing compared to the gnashing of teeth amongst Town fans when ex-City forward Sam Bell was sold by Luton to Tottenham in March 1935.

Bell, signed from Norwich a year before, scored two goals on his debut in the final game of the season in 1933-34 and then proceeded to notch 19 in 29 games the following term before his transfer.

The summer of 1934 had seen several costly signings by the Town including George Stephenson and Jack Ball.

When Fred Roberts was signed from Birmingham, over Christmas, it was suddenly realised that the Luton board had overstretched the mark.

They had mounted up an overdraft of £10,000 as well as being unable to pay all the players the permitted maximum wage.

### Problems

Town supporters were unaware of the financial problems and when the directors sold trusty Bill Brown to Huddersfield and then Bell to Tottenham many letters threatening a boycott of home matches followed until the board admitted to the previous problems.

This cloud certainly had a silver lining as it was discovered when the bills had been paid that a certain amount of money was left over enabling the club to sign such stalwarts as Jack Nelson, Billy Fellowes and Jock Finlayson who were to assist the Town to promotion in 1937.

Another book-balancing exercise a decade later also upset Town supporters when Bobby Brennan was transferred to Birmingham City. Brennan, signed from Belfast Distillery in October 1947 for £2000 was regarded as a bargain and he soon became a firm favourite at Kenilworth Road.

### Inevitable

Many First Division clubs were upset that Brennan had been snapped up by Luton and as his fame spread still further it was inevitable that an offer the board could not refuse would be forthcoming.

This came in July 1949 when Birmingham offered £20,000 which was a record fee received by the Town at the time.

The fans were not placated in this instance however as the Town struggled to avoid relegation from the Second Division over the next two seasons.

Brennan did not fare too well either as he lasted only one season at St Andrews before transferring to Fulham and then to Norwich in 1953.

### Equaliser

He remained at Norwich playing Third Division football for the rest of his league career and, in fact, scored the Norwich equaliser against the Town in the 1959 FA Cup semi-final. By then, he was 35.

Another transfer that did not go down too well at the time was that of John Ryan to Norwich in 1976. Although receiving £46,000 for a player who cost nothing when signed by Alec Stock in 1969, Town fans could not help feeling that another good player had gone to Carrow Road at a bargain price following the path of Ron Davies twelve years previously.

Perhaps now Norwich have got their revenge over Luton for the 1959 FA Cup defeat!



• **John Ryan:** On a training run, John shows it is hard work. John enjoyed spells with the Hatters and the Canaries after starting at Fulham.

• **Viv Busby:** Roving striker Viv made his league breakthrough at Luton and later played for Norwich City in 1976-77.

## FIRST TEAM

# UPDATE

1986-87 SEASON

### FOOTBALL LEAGUE DIVISION ONE

(Up to and including 21 September 1986)

HOME						AWAY						
W	D	L	F	A	W	D	L	F	APts			
9	3	2	0	13	2	Nottingham Forest	3	0	11	6	20	
<b>9</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>Norwich City</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>420</b>	
9	2	2	0	7	4	Liverpool	3	0	2	12	7	17
9	2	3	0	14	7	Sheffield Wednesday	2	1	1	5	5	16
9	3	1	1	8	3	Everton	1	2	1	5	6	15
9	3	1	1	7	3	Coventry City	1	2	1	2	2	15
9	2	2	1	5	4	Tottenham Hotspur	2	1	1	5	3	15
9	2	0	2	6	7	West Ham United	2	3	0	10	8	15
9	4	0	1	14	6	Southampton	0	1	3	7	13	13
<b>9</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>LUTON TOWN</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>13</b>
9	2	1	2	8	9	Wimbledon	2	0	2	3	4	13
9	2	2	0	3	0	Arsenal	1	1	3	3	5	12
9	1	2	1	5	5	Leicester City	2	1	2	6	6	12
9	2	1	2	6	4	Watford	1	1	2	6	6	11
9	2	0	2	6	6	Queens Park Rangers	1	2	2	3	6	11
9	1	3	0	4	3	OF	1	1	3	4	13	10
9	0	2	3	3	10	Chelsea	2	1	1	5	4	9
9	0	2	2	3	5	Charlton Athletic	2	0	3	4	9	8
9	1	2	2	6	6	Manchester City	0	2	2	0	2	7
9	1	0	3	4	10	Aston Villa	1	1	3	6	13	7
9	1	0	3	7	6	Manchester United	0	2	3	3	7	5
9	1	0	3	3	7	Newcastle United	0	2	3	2	10	1

### APPEARANCES AND GOALSCORERS

(1986/87)

League	Total	Leading goalscorers		
Ap's	G's	Ap's	G's	Division One
Tim Breacker	4	—	4	14 – Rush (Liverpool)
Mal Donaghy	9	—	9	10 – Webb (Nottingham Forest)
Steve Foster	9	—	9	Allen (Spurs)
Ashley Grimes	5	—	5	Clarke (Southampton)
Ricky Hill	9	—	9	
Rob Johnson	9	—	9	
Mike Newell	9	2	9	
Peter Nicholas	9	—	9	
Marc North	1(2)	—	1(2)	
Emeka Nwajiobi	6	—	6	
David Preece	3	—	3	
Brian Stein	8	5	8	
Mark Stein	2(2)	—	2(2)	
Les Sealey	9	—	9	
Robert Wilson	7	1	7	

## Luton Town

F-A Att Pos

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Aug 23	Leicester City	<b>1-1</b>	9801	—	Sealey	Breacker	Johnson	Nicholas	Foster	Donaghy	Hill	<b>B. Stein</b> <sup>1</sup>	Newell	(Wilson)	Nwajiobi
Aug 26	<b>Southampton</b>	<b>2-1</b>	8777	—	Sealey	Breacker	Johnson	Nicholas	Foster	Donaghy	Hill	<b>B. Stein</b> <sup>1</sup>	Newell	<b>Wilson</b> <sup>1</sup>	North
Aug 30	<b>Newcastle United</b>	<b>0-0</b>	9254	2	Sealey	Breacker	Johnson	Nicholas	Foster	Donaghy	Hill	<b>B. Stein</b> <sup>1</sup>	Newell	Wilson	Nwajiobi
Sept 3	Aston Villa	<b>1-2</b>	13122	12	Sealey	(Breacker)	Johnson	Nicholas	Foster	Donaghy	Hill	<b>B. Stein</b> <sup>1</sup>	Newell	Wilson	Preece
Sept 6	Chelsea	<b>3-1</b>	13040	7	Sealey	Johnson	Grimes	Nicholas	Foster	Donaghy	Hill	<b>B. Stein</b> <sup>1</sup>	Newell	Wilson	M. Stein
Sept 13	<b>Arsenal</b>	<b>0-0</b>	9876	8	Sealey	Johnson	Grimes	Nicholas	Foster	Donaghy	Hill	<b>B. Stein</b> <sup>1</sup>	Newell	Wilson	M. Stein
Sept 20	West Ham United	<b>0-2</b>	19133	13	Sealey	Johnson	Grimes	Nicholas	Foster	Donaghy	Hill	<b>B. Stein</b> <sup>1</sup>	Newell	Wilson	Preece
Sept 23	<b>Cardiff City (LCR2L1)</b>					<b>C</b>	<b>A</b>	<b>N</b>	<b>E</b>	<b>L</b>	<b>L</b>	<b>E</b>	<b>D</b>		
Sept 27	<b>Manchester City</b>	<b>1-0</b>	9731	10	Sealey	Johnson	Grimes	Nicholas	Foster	Donaghy	Hill	<b>B. Stein</b> <sup>1</sup>	Newell	M. Stein	Preece
Oct 4	Tottenham Hotspur	<b>0-0</b>	22738	10	Sealey	<b>C</b>	<b>A</b>	<b>N</b>	<b>E</b>	<b>L</b>	<b>L</b>	<b>E</b>	<b>D</b>	North	Nwajiobi
Oct 8	<b>Cardiff City (LCR2L2)</b>														
Oct 11	<b>Norwich City</b>														
Oct 18	Manchester United														
Oct 25	Liverpool														
Nov 1	<b>Queens Park Rangers</b>														
Nov 8	Wimbledon														
Nov 15	<b>Nottingham Forest</b>														
Nov 22	Sheffield Wednesday														
Nov 29	<b>Charlton Athletic</b>														
Dec 6	Oxford United														
Dec 13	<b>Everton</b>														
Dec 20	Arsenal														
Dec 26	<b>Watford</b>														
Dec 28	Nottingham Forest														
Jan 1	Coventry														
Jan 3	<b>Chelsea</b>														
Jan 10	F A Cup Round 3														
Jan 17	Southampton														
Jan 24	<b>Leicester City</b>														
Jan 31	F A Cup Round 4														
Feb 7	Newcastle United														
Feb 14	<b>Aston Villa</b>														
Feb 21	Manchester City (FAC5)														
Feb 28	<b>West Ham United</b>														
Mar 7	Liverpool														
Mar 14	<b>Manchester United (FAC6)</b>														
Mar 21	Norwich City														
Mar 28	<b>Tottenham Hotspur</b>														
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- 11 David Preece
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