

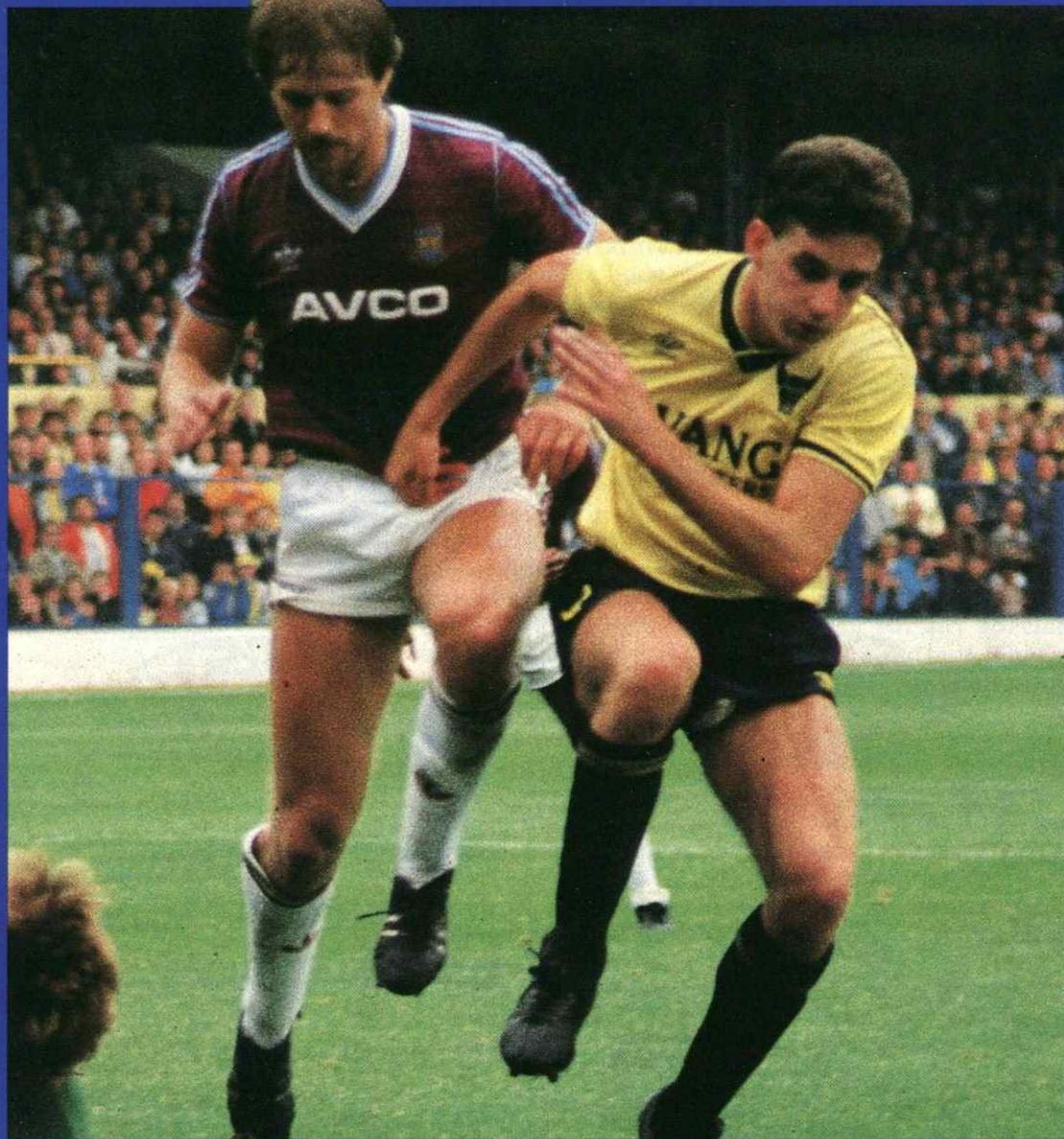


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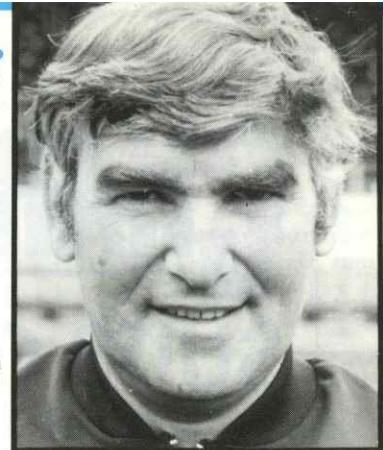
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**Maurice
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After the very poor publicity that we received after the Norwich match I thought I would put our side of the story.

- (1) We are certainly not a dirty side and the players have never been encouraged to be.
- (2) We do have discipline within our ranks but I prefer to keep that within the club and not publicise it.
- (3) We are doing something about our poor disciplinary record but I will only reveal that after it happens, and then perhaps we will get other clubs following suit.

It was very interesting to actually sit amongst you, our faithful followers at the Wembley 5-a-sides. As one of the lads said to me, 'You were expecting a nice quiet evening with your wife and son but now you have been recognised.' I didn't ask for any special tickets and I enjoyed the banter from the lads. That's how supporters should be. Full of fun and enjoying the evening.

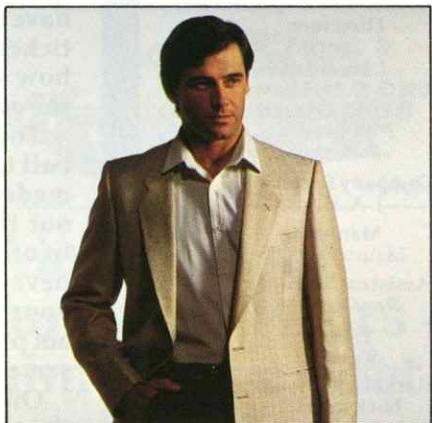
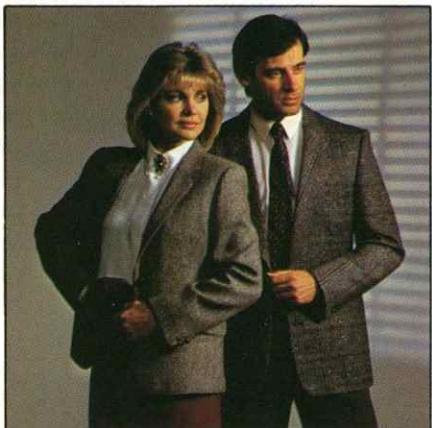
Today we welcome Luton Town who have a football team that always try to play the game. They have made a very impressive start to the season even without the injured Mick Harford. Congratulations are in order for the new man in charge, John Moore. It's never easy taking over as Manager, particularly in your first managerial job. John is succeeding and I am pleased about that, because he shares many of the same views as myself.

Once again, enjoy the game. Help to get us back on the winning trail and then we can enjoy the rest of the weekend.



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The ticket office have seat tickets on sale for United's 'Today' League Division One matches at Leicester (Sunday 14th December, kick-off 11.30 a.m.) and at Wimbledon (Friday 26th December, kick-off 12.00 noon).

The Leicester tickets are £5 each—available until Friday 12th December at 4 p.m. The Wimbledon tickets are £7 each—available until Wednesday 24th December at 12.00 noon.

BILLY HAMILTON IN TOP GEAR

Oxford United are pleased to announce that Billy Hamilton will be in 'United Top Gear', the official Oxford United souvenir shop, on Friday 19th December between 4.00-5.00 p.m. to personally sign copies of his new board game, Football Academy.

With Christmas coming up, it makes an ideal present.

BLACKBURN AWAY—NEW DATE

United's Full Members Cup match against Blackburn, postponed on 25th November because the Ewood Park pitch was waterlogged, has now been re-arranged.

The new date is Tuesday 20th January, kick-off 7.30 p.m., and the winners can look forward to an attractive home tie with the cup holders Chelsea in the quarter-final stage.

TICKET OFFICE LATE NIGHT

Supporters are reminded that the ticket office opens until 7 p.m. each Thursday evening throughout the season—an ideal time for the purchase of cup tickets, seat tickets, family terrace tickets or to pay that final season ticket instalment.

TUNE IN TO JIMMY YOUNG

Each round of the F.A. Cup brings with it a fresh crop of giant-killers, surprises and unlikely heroes.

It is not expected that this week-end's 2nd round ties will be any different!

Eight non-league clubs meet league opposition—the prize being a place in Monday's third round draw, in which the First and Second Division clubs are included.

The draw will be live on Radio Two at approximately 12.30 p.m., during the Jimmy Young programme, with one non-league club guaranteed a place—the winners of today's Telford versus Altrincham tie.

THE LOTTERY HAS MOVED

The lottery department has moved from Manor buildings on the corner of Osler Road/London Road. The new office is now situated within the ground, in the matchday office beneath the London Road stand.

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STEIN BROTHERS INSPIRE LUTON'S TITLE HOPES

A superb double act from Luton's Stein brothers bewitched Charlton's defence at Kenilworth Road last Saturday and kept the Hatters very much involved with the Championship chase.

Brian Stein rounded John Humphrey to provide the perfect pass for younger brother Mark to fire home Luton's winning goal in the 21st minute. Brian also set up his brother for another goal and only a brave dive by goalkeeper Nicky Johns denied him on that occasion.

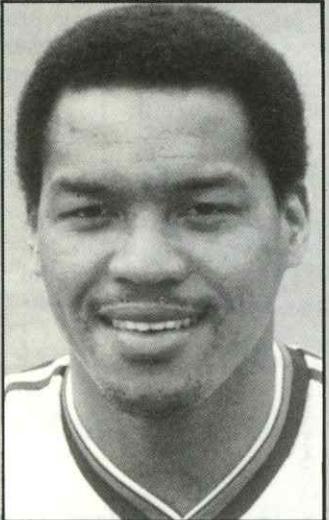
Shortly after the break, Mark broke on a solo run but his finishing was weak.

Mark, who has only recently won a place in Luton's senior team, might well have had a hat-trick whilst Brian's 66th minute pile-driver looked to be on target until Johns produced another of several fine saves.

Luton didn't strike the sort of form that saw them crush Nottingham Forest 4-2 in their previous home game but they made Charlton look very inferior. And it was only the visitors' battling spirit that kept down the score.

Brian Stein—provided the perfect pass for younger brother Mark to score the only goal in last Saturday's match against Charlton Athletic.

Mark Stein has now scored four times in his last four games and will be trying to maintain his goal-per-game record at The Manor this afternoon.



Charlton were without injured striker Jim Melrose and midfielder Colin Walsh, having just recovered from injury, played late in the game as substitute. Even so, they offered little resistance as they slumped to their fifth successive League defeat.

Arsenal's youngsters gave manager George Graham a perfect birthday present last weekend, running up a magnificent 4-0 win away at Aston Villa. With Mr Graham continually telling us his team is not yet ready for a title bid, many critics are finding him difficult to believe.

The Gunners have scored 11 goals in their last three games and haven't conceded a goal in five matches. Victory at Villa Park extended their unbeaten run to 12 games in League and Cup.

Last weekend's success was no real surprise, though, for Arsenal have a tremendous recent record at Villa Park. Last season they won there 4-1 whilst three seasons back they came away 6-2 to the good.

Ironically, it was a former Arsenal player who set them on the road to victory last Saturday. Martin Keown, the defender sold to Villa in the summer, conceded an own-goal in the 22nd minute. Second-half goals from Martin Hayes, Perry Groves and David Rocastle gave Arsenal their fifth successive away win in the League.

It's an impressive run—Everton (1-0), Newcastle (2-1), Charlton (2-0), Southampton (4-0) and Aston Villa (4-0). If that's not Championship form, it is difficult to appreciate what Mr Graham expects!

Nottingham Forest ended a run of four successive away League defeats with a good 3-2 win at Tottenham. Forest had a dream start when Spurs' goalkeeper Ray Clemence gave away a penalty in the first minute. Stuart Pearce gratefully tucked his spot-kick away.

But the irrepressible Clive Allen took it upon himself to put Spurs back into the game with two goals to take his season's tally to 21—putting him on top of the country's scoring list.

Another mistake by Clemence, who failed to hold a free-kick, enabled Chris Fairclough to fire home the rebound for Forest's equaliser. Neil Webb scored Forest's winner with his 12th goal of the season.

Spurs did not have their injured striker Nico Claesen and manager David Pleat must wonder what would happen if Clive Allen, injury-prone in the past, should take another knock. Of 21 goals scored by Tottenham in the First Division, 16 have been credited to Allen.

Does Mr Pleat suffer sleepless nights over his decision to sell Mark Falco, top scorer for the past two seasons? Since moving on to Watford, Falco has scored seven goals in eight First Division games for the Hornets.

Falco didn't manage to score at Southampton last Saturday, though. It was left to another of our natural goalscorers, Colin Clarke, to steal the limelight. After Mark Wright had scored an early goal for Southampton, Clarke's 15th goal of the season made it 2-0 after only 12 minutes.

Though Steve Terry pulled one back for Watford, the Saints' new striker Gordon Hobson celebrated his First Division debut with the clinching goal that made it 3-1.

Southampton manager Chris Nicholl is placing great hopes on his new forward duo of Clarke and Hobson. His new player led Grimsby's scoring list with 19 goals last season and, though he has not played in the First Division before, it is hoped that he will follow in Clarke's

footsteps. The N. Ireland striker is also experiencing First Division play for the first time this season.

LOOKING BACK

5 YEARS AGO: Kevin Brock gave us the lead soon after the interval in our Third Division game at Burnley. But Tommy Cassidy and Billy Hamilton netted for Burnley to give them a 2-1 win.



Billy Jeffrey opened the scoring for United at Wrexham (4.12.76)

10 YEARS AGO: A Billy Jeffrey goal gave us the lead at half-time in our Third Division game at Wrexham, but Billy Ashcroft netted in the second-half to salvage a point for the home side.

Luton were held at home to a goalless draw by Blackpool in a Second Division game.

15 YEARS AGO: Our Second Division game at Cardiff was postponed.

Luton drew 0-0 away to Bristol City in Division Two.

20 YEARS AGO: We went down 0-2 at Watford in a Third Division game, both the goals being conceded in the opening quarter of an hour.

Bruce Rioch scored Luton's goal in their Third Division game at Lincoln City—but they were well beaten 8-1!



OXFORD AND ADIDAS- A GREAT TEAM.



OUR VISITORS

LUTON TOWN

Luton Town have become one of the surprise teams of the season and, after achieving their fourth successive victory at home to Nottingham Forest last month, the Hatters emerged with a real chance of winning the League Championship for the first time in their history.

This is in spite of the fact that they have been without last season's top scorer Mick Harford who is battling to regain match fitness following an injury. Mick scored 25 times last season.

Not unexpectedly, the Hatters' goals supply dried up a bit though Brian Stein got several important goals early on. Mike Newell had been playing in attack alongside Brian but manager John Moore has recently changed tactics to 4-4-3, bringing in the younger Stein brother, Mark, up front.

Brian Stein, who is top scorer with six goals, was blooded in Luton's first-team in 1977 and led their scoring list for the first time in 1980/81 with 19 goals. The following term, when they won promotion, he led the way again with 21. Brian has played once for the full England team and also has three under-21 caps.

Newell was signed from Wigan towards the end of last season and scored six times in 16 matches. He began his career with Liverpool as an amateur but turned professional with Crewe Alexandra. After only three games in

their League eleven, he was transferred to Wigan in 1984. Mick has scored six times this term.

Mark followed his older brother Brian into the Luton side in 1983/84 and is now establishing himself as a regular. Last season he spent a short period on loan to Aldershot. He scored three goals in a two-game spell last month.

Darren McDonough and David Preece have also played in attack.

McDonough served his apprenticeship with Oldham and made his first League appearances during 1980/81. Luton signed him for £85,000 a few weeks ago.

Preece grew up with Walsall, getting his first chance in their League team against Chester in 1981. He made more than 100 League appearances for the Saddlers prior to his £150,000 transfer to Luton last season.

Ricky Hill and Peter Nicholas have been holding two of the midfield positions.

Hill rose from the apprenticeship ranks to make his League debut in 1976. It took him a couple of years to earn a regular place but he now looks back on well over 350 League appearances for the Hatters. Ricky was capped by England on three occasions.

Nicholas is a hard-tackling midfield ball-winner who has played for Wales on 46 occasions. He started his career with Crystal Palace and, after four years in their senior side,



he was transferred to Arsenal for £500,000 in 1981. He held his place in the Gunners' side for two years before returning to Palace. Luton signed him for £150,000 two seasons ago.

Ashley Grimes, who made a successful come-back this season at left-back, recently returned to his old position in midfield. Manchester United signed him twice from Irish club Bohemians. On the second occasion he cost £35,000 but he soon won international recognition and he now has 15 Republic of Ireland caps. After making 90 appearances in United's League eleven, Ashley was transferred to Coventry for £200,000 in 1983 and Luton signed him a year later.

Robert Wilson and Mark North has also played in attack.

Wilson is enjoying his first spell of First Division football following his recent transfer from Millwall. He developed in Fulham's junior teams and made more than 150 League appearances for the Cottagers before joining Millwall in the summer of 1985.

North completed his apprenticeship at Kenilworth Road but first tasted League football as a Lincoln player, whilst on loan to the Red Imps, two seasons ago. He was introduced to Luton's senior team last season.

Steve Foster and Mal Donaghy play in the middle of defence with Tim Breacker and Rob Johnson filling the full-back positions.

Donaghy was ever-present in N. Ireland's World Cup squad in Mexico and he picked up his 47th cap against Turkey last month. Luton signed him from Larne Town in 1978 and he is now approaching his 350th League appearance for the club.

Breacker is a former Luton apprentice who got his chance in their First Division side in 1984. He had been holding a regular place at full-back for two years until recently suffering an injury.

Johnson, who can play in both full-back positions, is another former Luton apprentice. He actually first played League football for Lincoln City, whilst on loan in 1983. He returned to Kenilworth Road to make a couple of appearances in Luton's First Division side and has won a regular place this season.

Goalkeeper Les Sealey served his apprenticeship with Coventry and made his League debut for them at Q.P.R. in 1977. He made more than 150 League appearances for the Sky Blues prior to his £120,000 transfer to Luton in 1983. During 1984/85 he spent a brief loan period with Plymouth.

Luton have won two away games at Chelsea (3-1) and Wimbledon (1-0). They drew at Leicester (1-1) and Tottenham (0-0) but were beaten at Aston Villa (1-2), West Ham (0-2), Manchester United (0-1) and Sheffield Wednesday (0-1).

Back row: Marcus Tuite, David Preece, Mark Stein, Emeka Nwajiobi, Mark North, Ricky McEvoy, Rob Johnson.

Middle row: Jim Ryan (coach), Tim Breacker, Les Sealey, Mick Harford, Stacey North, Andy Dibble, Mike Newell, John Faulkner (coach).

Front row: Ray Harford (coach), Ricky Hill, Mal Donaghy, Steve Foster, John Moore (manager), Peter Nicholas, Brian Stein, Ashley Grimes, Dave Kirby (physio).

IN FOCUS

Steve Foster



Steve Foster started out in soccer determined to win fame as a top goalscorer. But he switched roles at a fairly early stage of his career and went on to play for England as a central defender.

He played his first game for Portsmouth in August 1975 and during the course of that season made a total of 11 appearances in attack and as substitute. But Portsmouth finished bottom of the Second Division and faced a future of further uncertainty.

Steve could scarcely look back on his first season with satisfaction. That he looked unhappy in a striker's role was not entirely his fault. The service provided from midfield did not make life easy for any Pompey forward of that time.

So Steve decided to try his hand as a central defender and, after a few games as substitute the following season, he returned to the Portsmouth side in the number five shirt in November 1976 – and hasn't really looked back since then.

Brighton paid £130,000 for him during the summer of 1979 and that move gave Steve what is believed to be one of football's off-beat records. During a period of just three years and five months, he played in all four divisions of the Football League.

After winning under-21 honours, Steve won his first full England cap against N. Ireland in February 1982. He won a total of three caps.

Brighton shocked everyone by reaching the F.A. Cup final in 1983 but Steve had received a caution in one of the League games leading up to Wembley and took his total of penalty points to the limit. The cold truth hit him – he would miss the F.A. Cup final.

In spite of vigorous Brighton appeals to get the decision changed, Steve had to watch from the stand as his colleagues played splendidly to hold Manchester United to a 2-2 draw.

Steve was then free to play in the replay so he did get an unexpected chance to savour the Cup final atmosphere. Sadly, Brighton had given their all in the first game and were well beaten 0-4 in the replay.

Brighton were relegated shortly after that and Steve was transferred to Aston Villa for £200,000 the following season. Luton signed him in 1984 and now he is skipper of this season's very successful team.

UPDATE AND OPINIONS

By Secretary Jim Hunt

We have an unusual week in front of us these next seven/eight days, much of which during the first few days will be taken up on the team coach travelling to opposite ends of the country followed by a match away on Sunday instead of the usual Saturday.

On Monday we make a very long trip down into Cornwall where we have agreed to take our first team to Truro to officially open the Truro City floodlights.

This is a good public relations exercise but because of a near five hundred miles round trip will take the best part of two days.

Then on Wednesday morning we travel to Manchester to play in the Guinness Soccer Sixes in the highly spoken of G-Mex Centre on Wednesday evening.

Tickets have already been on sale at the club but those not sold have been returned to the Football League, on their instructions, but for those without a ticket you will be pleased to know television coverage has been arranged for both evenings of the competition.

There are five teams playing-off on Tuesday evening when Group A will consist of Manchester City, Aston Villa and Arsenal whilst Group B comprises Nottingham Forest, Luton Town and Newcastle United.

The winner of each Group will play-off on the Tuesday night to see who goes through with the five seeded teams on the Wednesday evening.

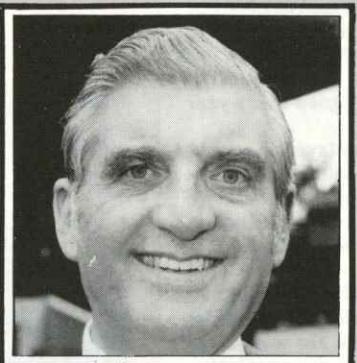
We are seeded as last season's Milk Cup winners and our section will be highly competitive as we are in with Manchester United and Chelsea.

The other section on Wednesday is Sheffield Wednesday, Tottenham Hotspur and Tuesday's winner, with the winners of each section playing off for the Championship.

There looks like a feast of good entertainment in store for all our supporters with the introduction of this completely new indoor competition.

SUNDAY'S MATCH

Our 'Today' League Division One match this week at Leicester is on Sunday and the kick-off is 11.30 a.m. The reason for the choice of Sunday is down to Leicester as they wanted to experiment with this idea to see if they would get a better gate. The time of kick-off is because there is a live tele-



vised match during the Sunday afternoon.

RECENT DISAPPOINTING RUN OF DISCIPLINARY POINTS

To say that we have been unlucky with injuries recently would be the understatement of the season but our recent run of disciplinary points and sending offs have not exactly helped our cause.

Furthermore, we have suddenly found ourselves without players we really need and that certainly hasn't helped us.

First Les Phillips was sent off at West Ham, and as the crime was foul language, which carried an automatic two match suspension, he misses today's match, Monday's at Truro, the Soccer Sixes and the fixture at Leicester, plus all reserve team matches.

Then came Billy Whitehurst's sending off last Saturday at Norwich and he will miss either one or two matches, depending on the referee's report. Assuming it is a one match suspension then this will mean he will miss the Leicester match also.

Sean Reck is in even more trouble than the others because having accumulated 21 penalty points (in his case representing six bookings this season) he will receive the maximum possible under the code of conduct of a three match suspension from Saturday, 13th December. This means he will also miss the Leicester match plus Aston Villa at the Manor on 20th December and our away match at Wimbleton on Boxing Day.

All this is very sad when you consider that the Manager has enormous problems with his injury list and he now has three further players out for the same match due to suspension.

JOYOUS OCCASION

Last Saturday's match at Norwich was the first away match I have missed for some time and the reason for this was the wedding of the club's Assistant Secretary, Lee Strange, to Assistant Sports Editor of the Oxford Mail, Alan Birkinshaw.

Lee and Alan were married at Witney Registry Office and everyone at Oxford United wish them many years of happiness and good health together.

LOSS OF A FRIEND

May I refer to the loss of a great sporting friend of mine with the death of JIGGY COPPOCK of Horspath.

Jiggy was, for several years, a season ticket holder here at the Manor, attending with his wife Sybil. Although they had not been able to come to matches in the last year or so, his enthusiasm over good achievements in sport was such that I still feel we have lost an active friend.

He always gave credit where it was due to friend or foe alike and although it is always easy to say they don't come like that any longer, it would nevertheless be fair to say the Oxfordshire sporting fraternity has lost someone who can never be replaced.

PLEASANT LAD AND GOOD TO WATCH

Oxford United were 14th in the 'Today' League First Division after last Saturday's results and Newcastle United were 22nd and bottom but only seven points separated the two clubs.

Newcastle United were playing West Ham United (7th in the League) on Sunday in a live televised match so really I should have been rooting for West Ham!

But how could I, wasn't our own Andy Thomas playing for Newcastle? The lad who had come to his local Football League Club as just a boy and had given 7½ years loyal service.

Andy scored Newcastle's second goal to enable his team to deservedly lead West Ham 2-0 at the interval and when he scored Newcastle's fourth I found myself even cheering.



Andy Thomas – two goals in Newcastle's televised match versus West Ham United last Sunday.

I cannot really say why, but my wife seemed to say it all when she recalled how she liked Andy because 'wasn't he a pleasant lad during our trips abroad to Bulgaria and America', this being her only real contact with him. Perhaps that was a woman's naivety, but it did sum Andy up.

LOYAL SUPPORTER

I have received a letter from Mrs. Hazel Walden of Grovelands Road, Risinghurst informing me of the amount of travelling her daughter, Deborah, puts in during a season to watch Oxford United.

Deborah is in the W.R.N.S., based at Yeovilton in Somerset, but she is still a season ticket holder and a member of the London Road Club.

Despite her weekend duties which obviously is an essential part of her contract with the W.R.N.S. she managed to witness every game we were involved in last season with the exception of Leicester, Northampton (Milk Cup), Fulham (Full Members Cup), Stoke City (Full Members Cup), Chelsea (Full Members Cup), Tottenham Hotspur (F.A. Cup Round 3), Manchester City and Aston Villa (Milk Cup Semi-final).

Her mileage for away games last season was 3,855 miles and her expenditure (not counting petrol) was £182.30.

For home games, she travelled 1,210 miles and spent £155.20, without petrol costs, but including her season ticket.

Her total mileage for the season was 5,065 miles for an expenditure of £337.50.

Deborah has continued in a similar pattern this season having once again purchased her season ticket.

In pointing this information out to me her mother wonders whether Deborah travelled more than anyone else last year to watch United.

I too would be interested to hear whether anyone travelled more?

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Over the AIRWAVES

by Nick Harris
Football Reporter
BBC Radio Oxford

That long foggy trip back from Norwich gave me plenty of time not only to reflect about that particular match but also many of the other current talking points in the game.

Referees seem particularly high on the discussion priorities with United fans at the moment after some critical decisions in the last couple of weeks have gone against the team. While not wanting to go into particular incidents it was brought home to me at Norwich just what a difficult task referees have in First Division football because the game is played at such a pace.

The press box at Carrow Road is right down on the touch line level with the pitch. While at most grounds, including the Manor, you are high in the stand above the play which gives you a good view and perspective of the game, being down in the action gives you a very different picture. Things, both good and bad, happen very quickly and instant decisions have to be made.

I've certainly not agreed with some of those critical decisions recently and felt that perhaps if the referee had just taken a breath and taken time to consult his linesman he may have changed his mind. However, sitting in the stand it's very easy to make those type of decisions when there is no pressure on you. I know that many managers, including Maurice Evans, are campaigning for full-time referees. It would be nice to think that the system could produce referees in the same way cricket employs full-time umpires and perhaps even some ex-professional players may be interested. Again, it works very well in cricket.

Despite the fog I was very impressed with the ground and set-up at Carrow Road which I felt showed just what United could do with a new stadium. I always link United and Norwich as very much the same type of club. Neither have enormous support but always produce good foot-

balling sides and foster the family type atmosphere. However, Norwich have made enormous strides on the stadium front and left United, through no fault of their own, way behind. It just shows what can be done with co-operation all round from a City who are proud of their football team.

It will be interesting to see who is voted the Radio Oxford November Player of the Month after a sticky patch during the last couple of weeks. It's always easy to pick somebody when the team is going really well but when the chips are down selection is much more difficult. I've certainly made my choice and I have a sneaking feeling it will also be yours. I'll tell you if we agreed in a couple of weeks' time.

Finally, the press box will seem a bit empty today with our Sports Producer Peter Baker working in London. He's in the big time for the next six months working for Radio Two. Last Saturday he covered QPR/Sheffield Wednesday. His heart was really at Carrow Road as it will be at the Manor today but I'm sure we all wish him the best of luck. Certainly since he went a couple of weeks ago United's fortunes have slipped and so hurry back Peter.



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The fixtures pitted the two sides against each other twice in five days over the Easter period. By the time they met, United were desperate for points to avoid relegation; Luton needed them to go into Division 1.



Jeremy Charles' shot beats Les Sealey to bag the points for United. (15.3.86)

As it was, both United and Luton got what they needed with United drawing 1-1 at home then shocking the promotion hopefuls with a 1-0 win at Kenilworth Road.

That victory, earned with a single Ken Skeen goal, was enough to keep United in the Second Division while Luton earned promotion a week later with a 3-0 win over Millwall.

Oxford United: Burton, Light, Shuker, Roberts, C Clarke, Briggs, Skeen, Fleming, Curran, Bray, Aylott. Sub: G Atkinson.

The first meeting came on September 1, 1970 at Kenilworth Road when Luton dominated to win 4-0.

United, unchanged for the seventh time after a good start to the season, were rocked by two goals apiece from Luton's Matt Tees and Malcolm Macdonald.

However, it wasn't all Luton. United had their chances but were rocked by three goals in a 20 minute spell with Macdonald completing the victory with his second and Luton's fourth towards the end of a game watched by 16,173 fans.

Of the 12 meetings in the League, United have won five times, the most recent being last season when they beat Luton 2-1 on the plastic Kenilworth Road pitch, thanks to goals from John Aldridge (penalty) and Jeremy Charles with David Preece scoring one of only two League goals that season, replying for the Hatters.

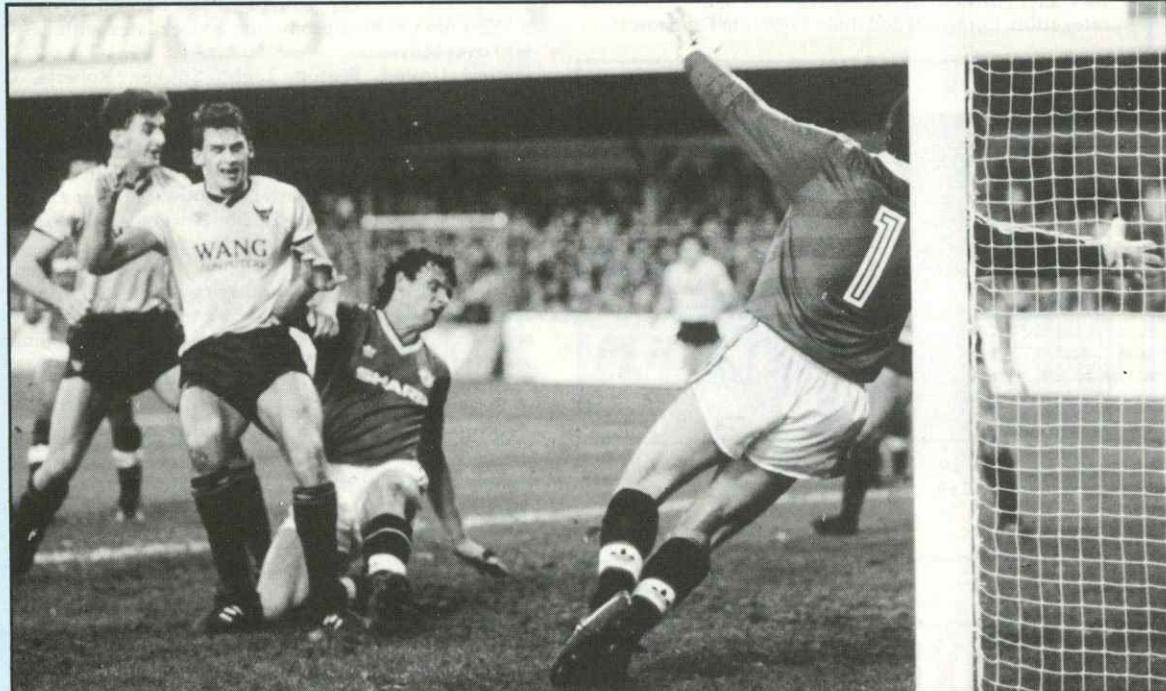
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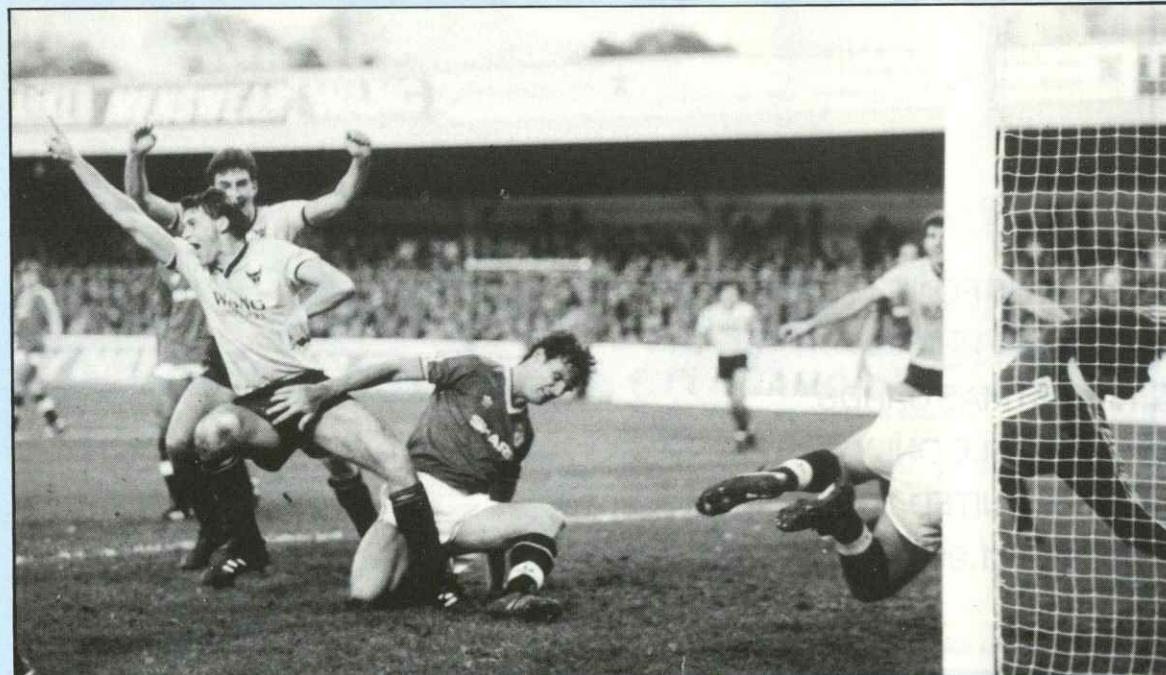


United IN FOCUS

defeating
Manchester United
2-0 at the Manor



Neil Slatter sweeps the ball home for Oxford's second goal.



Les Phillips shields the ball from Paul McGrath.

Kevin Moran fails to stop David Leworthy getting a cross over.



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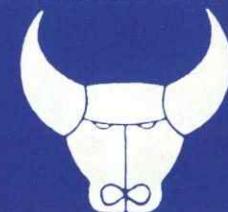
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Although seat tickets are normally available 14 days in advance, we have slightly altered our procedure to take into account the Christmas and New Year matches. The Aston Villa and Queen's Park Rangers tickets went on sale today at 1.00 pm and the tickets for the Southampton match on New Year's Day will go on sale from 1.00 pm on Saturday 20th December at the home match versus Aston Villa.

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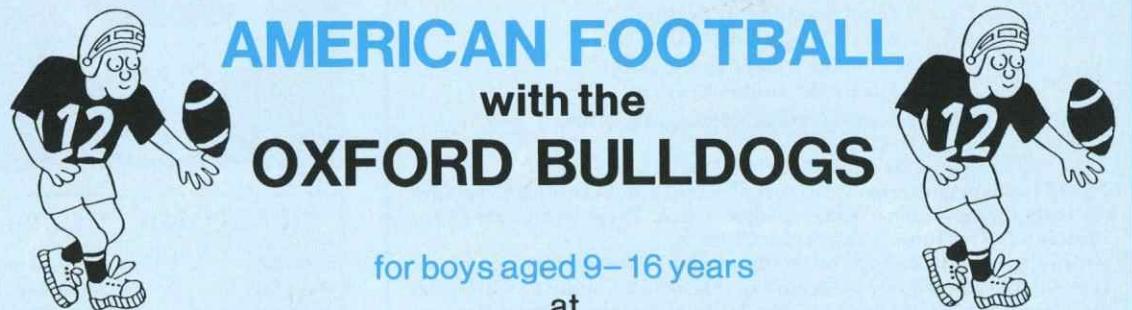
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MATCH DETAILS

Date: Sunday 14th December
Kick-off: 11.30 a.m.
Terrace admission: £4 (no reduction for Juniors).
Seat tickets: £5, available from the Oxford ticket office until Friday 12th December at 4.00 p.m.
Match programme: 60p.

LONDON ROAD CLUB Forthcoming Travel

LEICESTER CITY
Sunday 14th December
Coaches Depart:
Gloucester Green 8.45 a.m.
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WIMBLEDON
Friday 26th December (Boxing Day)
Coaches Depart:
Gloucester Green 9.30 a.m.
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RESERVE & YOUTH

THE massive injury list at the Manor hasn't affected only the first team. On Saturday the Reserves had a fixture away to Portsmouth, and with ten professionals unavailable for League duty United had to call upon a host of youngsters at Fratton Park.

Players like Sean Reck, John Dreyer, Bobby McDonald and even Robbie Mustoe who have spent a majority of this season in the Reserves were suddenly needed at Norwich.

FOOTBALL COMBINATION

Table of results as at 3.12.86						
	P	W	D	L	F	A Pts
Chelsea	17	12	2	3	41	14 26
Tottenham Hotspur	16	10	4	2	44	15 24
Arsenal	15	10	3	2	31	16 23
Swindon Town	19	10	2	7	51	42 22
Queen's Park Rangers	17	9	4	4	37	31 22
Norwich City	16	10	1	5	38	30 21
West Ham United	15	8	3	4	27	19 19
Oxford United	16	7	3	6	37	31 17
Ipswich Town	14	8	1	5	20	21 17
Watford	16	5	6	5	26	25 16
Fulham	14	5	4	5	19	19 14
Luton Town	15	6	1	8	30	29 13
Crystal Palace	15	4	4	7	22	24 12
Southampton	15	5	2	8	22	24 12
Charlton Athletic	15	4	3	8	19	29 11
Reading	13	4	2	7	19	36 10
Millwall	15	3	3	9	20	35 9
Portsmouth	15	3	2	10	19	35 8
Brighton & Hove Albion	15	3	0	12	19	41 6
Bristol Rovers	15	2	2	11	14	39 6

And so Reserve team boss Dave Fogg was forced to call on the services of no fewer than 11 teenagers!

In goal was Brian Vasey, United's 16-year-old trainee goalkeeper.

He was joined in the side by 16-year-olds David Watson and Eddie Denton along with 17-year-old Gary Murphy, Paul Swannack and 18-year-olds Robbie Williams, Darren Britnell, Lee Nogan and Jon Ward.

SOUTHEAST COUNTIES LEAGUE DIVISION TWO

Table of results as at 3.12.86						
	P	W	D	L	F	A Pts
Southampton	13	11	1	1	51	8 23
Luton Town	12	8	2	2	32	12 18
Oxford United	13	7	4	2	35	24 18
Crystal Palace	13	8	2	3	32	24 18
Brighton & Hove Albion	13	6	4	3	26	18 16
Tottenham Hotspur	12	5	5	2	31	22 15
Bristol Rovers	12	5	3	4	16	14 13
Northampton Town	15	5	3	7	29	37 13
Bournemouth	13	4	4	5	25	21 12
Colchester United	15	5	2	8	30	35 12
Swindon Town	13	5	1	7	35	40 11
Wimbledon	12	4	3	5	15	20 11
Reading	16	4	2	10	28	58 10
Southend United	15	3	0	12	22	51 6
Brentford	13	2	0	11	18	43 4

FOOTBALL COMBINATION

FOOTBALL COMBINATION						
	P	W	D	L	F	A
1986						
Aug.	23	Reading				F A
	27	Brighton & Hove A.				3-0
Sept.	3	Chelsea				2-1
	7	Swindon Town				4-3
	10	Arsenal				0-2
	17	West Ham United				3-0
	27	Watford				1-1
Oct.	1	Ipswich Town				1-2
	4	Crystal Palace				1-0
	15	Fulham				4-4
Nov.	8	Southampton				1-1
	10	Millwall				5-3
	13	Charlton Athletic				1-4
	21	Norwich City				1-2
	29	Portsmouth				0-3
Dec.	2	Bristol Rovers				2-5
	10	Tottenham Hotspur				
	16	Queen's Park Rangers				

team faced Millwall at the Manor in the second round of the FA Youth Cup.

United, who also included Robbie Mustoe, fresh from his first team debut at Norwich City, were soon boasting a comfortable first half lead.

Mustoe opened United's account with a tremendous 30 yard drive. And before the interval United's other professional in the side, Paul Swannack, made it 2-0.

SOUTHEAST COUNTIES LEAGUE DIVISION TWO

SOUTHEAST COUNTIES LEAGUE DIVISION TWO						
	P	W	D	L	F	A
1986						
Aug.	23	Reading				F A
	30	Crystal Palace				3-0
Sept.	2	Brighton				4-2
	6	Wimbledon				0-1
	13	Northampton Town				3-3
	15	Brentford (SJFC)				2-1
	20	Tottenham Hotspur (Cup)				1-2
	27	Luton Town				0-5
Oct.	4	Crystal Palace				1-1
	11	Brentford				2-0
	18	Bournemouth				2-2
	22	Birmingham City (SJFC)				0-0
	25	Swindon Town				5-3
Nov.	1	Bristol Rovers				1-1
	6	Bristol City (FAYC)				2-1
	8	Colchester United				3-2
	15	Southend United				5-4
	17	Birmingham City (SJFC)				1-3
Dec.	1	Millwall (FAYC)				2-2
	6	Brighton & Hove A.				
	13	Bristol Rovers				
	15	Millwall (FAYC)				
	20	Colchester United				
	27	Luton Town				

SOUTHEAST COUNTIES LEAGUE DIVISION TWO						
	P	W	D	L	F	A
Jan.	6	Southampton				
	10	Southampton				
	17	Bristol Rovers				
	24	Swindon Town				
	31	Tottenham Hotspur				
Feb.	7	Brentford				
	14	Bournemouth				
Mar.	7	Southend United				
	28	Tottenham Hotspur				
Apr.	4	Wimbledon				
	Tba	Northampton Town				

FOOTBALL COMBINATION

FOOTBALL COMBINATION						
The goalscorers to date						
Robbie Mustoe	6	Tony Obi				
David Leworthy	5	John Aldridge				
Andy Thomas	4	John Dreyer				
Bobby McDonald	3	Chris Pedder				
Kevin Brock	2	Sean Reck				
Mark Jones	2	Paul Swannack				
Brian McDermott	2	Own Goal				
Lee Nogan	2					

FOOTBALL COMBINATION
Wednesday 10th December
OXFORD UNITED versus **TOTTENHAM HOTSPUR**
Kick-off 7.30 pm

STATISTICS 1986-87

'TODAY' LEAGUE DIVISION ONE

	HOME						AWAY					
	P	W	D	L	F	A	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Arsenal	17	5	3	0	12	2	5	1	3	15	6	34
Nottingham Forest	17	6	2	0	20	6	4	5	18	18	32	
Liverpool	17	5	3	1	20	8	4	1	3	16	12	31
Everton	17	4	3	1	13	7	4	2	3	14	11	29
Luton Town	17	6	3	0	13	4	2	4	6	8	29	
Norwich City	17	6	2	1	15	10	2	3	3	11	14	29
West Ham United	17	4	1	3	14	14	3	5	1	12	13	27
Sheffield Wednesday	17	4	4	0	20	10	2	4	3	15	15	26
Coventry City	17	6	1	1	11	4	1	4	4	5	10	26
Tottenham Hotspur	17	3	3	3	10	10	4	1	3	11	9	25
Southampton	17	5	1	3	18	14	2	1	5	15	22	23
Watford	17	5	1	2	19	8	1	3	5	12	17	22
Wimbledon	17	4	1	11	11	3	0	5	8	11	22	
Oxford United	17	4	3	1	12	8	1	3	5	6	20	21
Queen's Park Rangers	17	4	2	3	14	13	1	2	5	3	9	19
Aston Villa	17	4	1	4	11	15	1	2	5	10	21	18
Manchester United	17	4	1	3	13	8	0	4	5	4	11	17
Leicester City	17	2	4	3	13	14	2	1	7	15	17	
Newcastle United	17	3	2	4	13	12	1	3	4	6	14	17
Charlton Athletic	17	2	2	4	9	12	3	0	6	9	17	17
Chelsea	17	1	3	4	6	14	2	4	3	13	16	16
Manchester City	17	3	3	3	13	12	0	3	5	3	11	15

FIRST TEAM STATISTICS

Appearances 'Today'	Littlewoods		Goals	
	League	Cup	'Today'	Littlewoods
17	4	John Aldridge	9	6
17	4	Gary Briggs	2	1
6	2 (1)	Kevin Brock	—	—
7	1	Jeremy Charles	—	—
5	2 (1)	John Dreyer	—	—
1	1	Billy Hamilton	—	—
3	2	Steve Hardwick	—	—
13	2	Trevor Hebbard	1	—
16	4	Ray Houghton	3	1
9	2	Alan Judge	—	—
17	4	David Langan	—	—
7 (2)	2 (2)	David Leworthy	2	—
1	—	Bobby McDonald	—	—
0 (1)	—	Robbie Mustoe	—	—
0 (1)	—	Tony Obi	—	—
5	—	Tony Parks	—	—
8	—	Steve Perryman	—	—
16	4	Les Phillips	—	—
2 (2)	1 (1)	Sean Reck	—	—
10	2 (1)	Malcolm Shotton	—	—
11 (1)	4	Neil Slatter	1	1
14	3	John Trewick	—	—
2 (1)	—	Billy Whitehurst	—	—
		Own Goals	—	1

Substitute appearances in brackets

DIVISION ONE LEAGUE ATTENDANCES

	Average	Best	
Manchester United	39,915	45,890	v Sheffield Wednesday
Liverpool	36,504	43,139	v Tottenham Hotspur
Everton	31,724	48,247	v Liverpool
Arsenal	31,128	44,707	v Tottenham Hotspur
Tottenham Hotspur	25,232	30,042	v Nottingham Forest
Sheffield Wednesday	23,549	33,007	v Everton
Newcastle United	23,328	33,306	v Liverpool
West Ham United	22,958	29,807	v Liverpool
Manchester City	21,888	32,440	v Manchester United
Nottingham Forest	20,115	34,828	v Manchester United
Norwich City	17,606	22,884	v West Ham United
Aston Villa	16,617	24,712	v Tottenham Hotspur
Southampton	16,436	20,452	v Liverpool
Watford	16,267	21,660	v Manchester United
Queens Park Rangers	15,472	24,045	v Liverpool
Chelsea	15,131	20,171	v Nottingham Forest
Leicester City	12,999	18,402	v Nottingham Forest
Coventry City	12,982	18,562	v Aston Villa
Oxford United	10,612	13,545	v Manchester United
Luton Town	9,999	13,140	v Liverpool
Wimbledon	9,082	15,975	v Liverpool
Charlton Athletic	8,471	19,614	v Arsenal

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Date	Opponents	Venue	Res	Att'd	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	Subs
1986																
Aug. 23	Watford	A	0-3	17,720	Judge	Langan	Trewick	Phillips	Briggs	Shotton	Houghton	Aldridge	Charles	Hebberd	Perryman	Obi (6)
25	Chelsea	H	1-1	11,017	Judge	Langan	Trewick	Phillips	Briggs	Shotton	Houghton	Aldridge	Charles	Hebberd	Perryman	Thomas
30	West Ham United	H	0-0	11,684	Judge	Langan	Trewick	Phillips	Briggs	Shotton	Houghton	Aldridge	Charles	Hebberd	Perryman	Thomas
Sept. 2	Everton	A	1-3	26,018	Judge	Langan	Trewick	Phillips	Briggs	Shotton	Houghton	Aldridge	Charles	Hebberd	Perryman	Slatter (11)
6	Aston Villa	A	2-1	14,668	Judge	Langan	Trewick	Phillips	Briggs	Slater	Houghton	Aldridge	Charles	Hebberd	Perryman	Leworthy ¹ (9)
13	Manchester City	H	0-0	8,250	Judge	Langan	Trewick	Phillips	Briggs	Shotton	Houghton	Aldridge	Charles	Hebberd	Perryman	Leworthy (11)
20	Arsenal	A	0-0	20,676	Judge	Langan	Trewick	Phillips	Briggs	Shotton	Houghton	Aldridge	Charles	Hebberd	Perryman	Leworthy
24	Gillingham (LCC2 1L)	H	6-0*	5,255	Judge	Langan	Trewick	Phillips	Briggs	Shotton	Houghton	Aldridge	Charles	Hebberd	Perryman	Leworthy (9) Brock (4)
27	Charlton Athletic	H	3-2	8,386	Judge	Langan	Trewick	Phillips	Briggs	Shotton	Houghton	Aldridge	Charles	Hebberd	Perryman	Slatter
Oct. 4	Sheffield Wednesday	A	1-6	20,205	Judge	Langan	Trewick	Phillips	Briggs	Dreyer	Houghton	Aldridge	Hamilton	Trewick	Reck (9)	
7	Gillingham (LCC2 2L)	A	1-1	3,113	Judge	Langan	Slater	Phillips	Briggs	Dreyer	Houghton	Aldridge	Whitehurst	Reck	Reck	
11	Coventry City	H	2-0	9,521	Parks	Langan	Slater	Trewick	Briggs	Dreyer	Houghton	Aldridge	Whitehurst	Reck	Reck	
18	Liverpool	A	0-4	34,512	Parks	Langan	Slater	Phillips	Briggs	Dreyer	Houghton	Aldridge	Whitehurst	Reck	Reck	
25	Nottingham Forest	H	2-1	10,349	Parks	Langan	Hardwick	Phillips	Briggs	Slater	Houghton	Aldridge	Whitehurst	Reck	Reck	
29	Sheffield United (LCC3)	H	3-1	6,502	Hardwick	Langan	Hardwick	Phillips	Briggs	Slater	Houghton	Aldridge	Whitehurst	Reck	Reck	
Nov. 1	Newcastle United	A	0-0	19,681	Parks	Langan	Hardwick	Phillips	Briggs	Slater	Houghton	Aldridge	Whitehurst	Reck	Reck	
8	Manchester United	H	2-0	13,545	Parks	Langan	Slater	Phillips	Briggs	Slater	Houghton	Aldridge	Whitehurst	Reck	Reck	
15	Queens Park Rangers	A	1-1	12,969	Hardwick	Langan	Slater	Phillips	Briggs	Slater	Houghton	Aldridge	Whitehurst	Reck	Reck	
18	West Ham United (LCC4)	A	0-1	20,530	Hardwick	Langan	Slater	Phillips	Briggs	Slater	Houghton	Aldridge	Whitehurst	Reck	Reck	
22	Tottenham Hotspur	H	2-4	12,143	Hardwick	Langan	Slater	Phillips	Briggs	Slater	Houghton	Aldridge	Whitehurst	Reck	Reck	
29	Norwich City	A	1-2	13,610*	Hardwick	Langan	McDonald	Phillips	Briggs	Dreyer	Houghton	Aldridge	Whitehurst	Reck	Reck	
Dec. 6	Luton Town	H	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
14	Leicester City	A	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
20	Aston Villa	H	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
26	Wimbledon	A	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
27	Queens Park Rangers	H	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	



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with NICK JOHNSON



Good afternoon and welcome to the Manor for today's match versus Luton Town. May we also extend a warm welcome to all the fans who are visiting us from the Luton area.

Today's match is sponsored by our good friends from City Motors and to you Louis Preston, Peter Bridges, your friend's guests and colleagues here present today, we hope you enjoy your stay with us. Luton is, of course, one of the main areas in the motor industry and City Motors

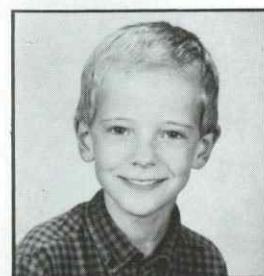
have, as their guests, four distinguished members of the Vauxhall Motors Company - Mr Peter Batchelor (Director of Marketing), Mr Eric Fountain (Director of Public Relations), Mr Ian Coomber (West Zone Manager), Mr Mike Tearle (Field Operations Manager). The Directors of both City Motors and Oxford United F.C. welcome our gentlemen to the Manor.

Just prior to our last home match (Spurs 22nd November) our three car team returned from the 1986 Beaujolais Noveau Challenge, I would like to take this opportunity to thank ALL our local sponsors who contributed to the run and although each and every penny helped towards our goal - The Child Abuse Unit of the N.S.P.C.C. - special mentions are in order to Wang (UK) Ltd. - Hartwells (Oxford) Ltd. - Allbest Windows, Banbury - Duraflex Systems Ltd. - Umbro International - Pergamon Press - Allsports Trophies - Smiths (Bletchington) - Fisher & Townsend - Papier Studio - Snifters Wine Bar - Andrew Brons Word - C.T.N. - Profitable Greetings - Rank Xerox - Apricot Designs - Geoff Joynson and Uniqueair - all of whom contributed £250 or more to the princely sum of £10,000 which is double the £5,000 we contributed to the same charity last year. Well done everybody and thanks!



Yours Truly meets Groucho!
Co. Driver Leslie Stevenson helps me load the Rover with the 'plonk' - he's the one with the glasses!

Today's **WANG** Mascot



RICHARD DIGWEED
10 years old
from Begbroke

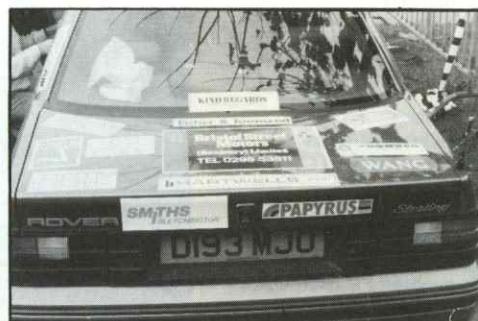
Allsports Trophies

Man of the match table

Ray Houghton	49
David Langan	39
Gary Briggs	30
John Aldridge	28
Neil Slatter	13
Les Phillips	12
Trevor Hebbert	10
John Trewick	8
Sean Reck	8
Kevin Brock	7
Malcolm Shotton	6
Alan Judge	4
Steve Hardwick	3
Tony Parks	3
Jeremy Charles	2
John Dreyer	2

The Allsports Trophies sponsors 'Man of the Match' league is now right up-to-date and the last three home matches have seen three different choices as 'Man of the Match'. Versus Sheffield United match sponsors Fisher & Townsend voted Gary Briggs as their 'Man of the Match'. Versus Manchester United Wang (UK) voted Neil Slatter's performance the best and versus Spurs, match sponsors Wang (UK) once again, voted newcomer Sean Reck as their 'Man of the Match'. As you can see in the table, other significant votes were won over this three match period by Kevin Brock seven votes - Dave Langan seven votes and Malcolm Shotton five votes.

I wonder who City Motors will choose today ... ?



The Team!
The rear end of our Rover Sterling (sponsored by Hartwells), front end of the Peugeot 505 (sponsored by Bristol Street Motors) and the Astra 1.3 (looks like this is sponsored by Geoff Joynson!).



TODAY'S TEAMS

OXFORD UNITED

1	STEVE HARDWICK
2	DAVID LANGAN
3	BOBBY McDONALD
4	JOHN TREWICK
5	GARY BRIGGS
6	JOHN DREYER
7	RAY HOUGHTON
8	JOHN ALDRIDGE
9	BILLY WHITEHURST
10	TREVOR HEBBERD
11	KEVIN BROCK
12	

LUTON TOWN

1	LES SEALEY
2	TIM BREACKER
3	ROB JOHNSON
4	PETER NICHOLAS
5	STEVE FOSTER
6	MAL DONAGHY
7	ROBERT WILSON
8	BRIAN STEIN
9	MIKE NEWELL
10	MARK STEIN
11	ASHLEY GRIMES
12	MARC NORTH

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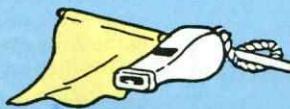
- A Arsenal v Queens Park Rangers
- B Charlton Athletic v Newcastle United
- C Chelsea v Wimbledon
- D Coventry City v Leicester City
- E Everton v Norwich City
- F Nottingham Forest v Manchester City
- G Sheffield Wednesday v Aston Villa
- H Watford v Liverpool
- J West Ham United v Southampton
- K Birmingham City v Blackburn Rovers
- L Brighton & Hove Albion v Bradford City
- M Derby County v Reading
- N Huddersfield Town v Barnsley
- P Hull City v Grimsby Town
- Q Ipswich Town v Sheffield United
- R Oldham Athletic v Shrewsbury Town
- S Portsmouth v Crystal Palace
- T Stoke City v Plymouth Argyle
- U Sunderland v Millwall
- V West Bromwich Albion v Leeds United

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