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● **Celebration time:** David Oldfield (top) turns away in joy after netting at Elland Road while (below) Roy Wegerle bursts through the Leeds defence.



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# RAY'S REVIEW



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# Mailbag

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

## Burning ambition

Dear Sir,  
My burning ambition is to play for Luton. Playing along side all the great young players like, Kingsley Black, David Oldfield and Stevie Williams with the scoring power of Mick Harford and Ricky Hill and with the experienced players like Steve Foster and Les Dealey.

I hear Mal Donaghy is moving and that is a great loss. Mind you with the great new signings of Stevie Williams, John Dreyer and Wegerle you are sure to be able to recover from the bad start you had and finish in the top ten.

Yours sincerely

Ben Smith

Nicholas Farm  
Carlton,  
Bedford.

## One of the best

Dear Sir,

I have been a football fan for some years now but last season, one footballer really stood out from the rest. I am talking of course of Kingsley Black. He is one of the best players I've seen play for Luton Town. It is amazing the amount of skill he has and yet he is still quite young. Not only is he a regular for Luton Town but also plays for Northern Ireland. If I were Luton Town, I would hold on to him and not let any other clubs get their hands on him.



● Good-looker: Kingsley Black.

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## Mal's match

Dear Sir,

As I am a great fan of Mal Donaghy's (and a Luton Supporter) I was sad to see him leave for Manchester United, but I am writing to ask if he is having a testimonial match and if he is, where would it be held. I would be really pleased, if you could tell me.

Thank you

Kerrie Close

29 North Road,  
Carrick-fergus,  
Co. Antrim. N. Ireland.

Editor's note: Plans for Mal's testimonial will be published in a future programme.

## Special project

Dear Sir,

I do a lot of voluntary Youth Club work and also help handicapped children. This season we are doing a Football Project and to this we ask for your kind help.

We would like a club enamel badge and history of your club and any other helpful information.

As some of these children are unable to take part in any sport I hope by taking part in this project it will help them in future years. I wish you every success for the new season.

Yours faithfully

Mr K. Poole

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# DRESSING ROOM

with Marvin Johnson

*Born in Wembley, London, in 1968, Marvin Johnson came to Kenilworth Road as a schoolboy and worked his way through the ranks as an apprentice, youth team player and reserve before taking over alongside Steve Foster this season following Mal Donaghy's departure to Manchester United. Today in Dressing Room Talk he described his own feelings at how things have turned out for him so far this season:*



• Marvin Johnson: Enjoying his game.

### My toughest opponent

"Overall, I am quite pleased with the way things are going. When I came back for pre season training this year I was keen to try and make a serious challenge for a place in the first team. But I did not expect things to work out quite the way they did.

"At first, when I came into the team, I was very tentative, but now I am finding it is getting a little bit easier as the games go by and I gain a bit more experience and confidence. Playing alongside Steve Foster is fantastic of course as he is such a terrific leader and influence.

"The backing of the fans and everyone at the club and at home has helped me a lot too. It is a really good feeling to know everyone is behind you. Fossie always talks to me through the match and that helps me. He has been injured quite a bit recently but is such a character that they always seem to be able to patch him up to play.

"One of the things I have really noticed in the first team is that there is not so much time to play. In the reserves and in the youth team there is much more time on the ball, but in the First Division I have really noticed the speed of the game.

"I am getting more used to it and settling down better all the time, but I still notice it. The toughest opponent I have met has been Alan Smith of Arsenal. He is difficult to handle. All arms and legs like me.

"That was a really good game to play in and it was noticeable that they scored their

early goal when Fossie was off the pitch injured. It might have been different if it had not been for that.

"I came to the club straight from school and played in the youth team as an apprentice the following year before going into the reserves. For about two years, I lived in digs and learned how it is to look after yourself and live away from home.

"I think that was important for me in growing up. Now of course I am living at home again in Aylesbury. It is only half an hour away and I can drive in and out easily in my car – a Ford Escort.

"My parents and my sister have been great supporters for me. They have come and seen me play all the time. All the way through from the Sunday leagues and everthing. When I was younger, the player I most admired was Alan Hanson.

"He used to have so much time. He was always so composed on the ball. I enjoy pushing forward into attack a lot. Fossie says he needs to keep me on his remote control to get me back in defence sometimes. But he has helped me to go forwards too and at the moment I have to say I am really enjoying my football."

# TALK



by BILL TOMLINS

# THE TOWN

## SUCCESSFUL MEETING HELPS LAUNCH NEW IDEAS FOR CUP-TIE ARRANGEMENTS

I am sure everyone who attended the open meeting of our newly-formed supporters club on Monday, November 7, were as pleased as me with the terrific turnout.

It was standing room only in the Joe Payne lounge that night when, as a result of the meeting, a number of questions and suggestions arose and several resolutions were put forward which I will cover in more detail in a later programme.

### Visitors

One thing that did ring clear was the strong feeling about our arrangements for cup-ties when we have visiting supporters. Many fans objected to having to traipse the length of the ground.

I have been particularly nervous about this since we began to implement the procedure, on advice from the police, which permitted us to have visiting supporters and to meet the conditions of our Safety Certificate.

Now, as an experiment, we propose to try another option which will cause less inconvenience to our Maple Road-entry fan. The safety of all supporters will, of course, remain paramount.

For the Manchester City tie, the police have agreed to let our supporters arriving from Dallow Road and via the Maple Road bridge have access to the Maple Road turnstiles as usual.

The refreshments and toilet facilities at this entry area will, however, be restricted to visiting fans. For home supporters, the arrangements as for previous cup-ties will continue to apply.

As the Manchester City fans will be using the exit by the club shop as an entrance, our home supporters approaching from Oak Road will be requested to continue with usual cup-tie entry via Kenilworth Road for Main Stand and Enclosure seats.

### AGM

This, I know, is not totally satisfactory. But, at least, it is a move in the right direction and I thank all our supporters for their cooperation and understanding.

The cup-tie is part of a busy schedule ahead including the Guinness Soccer 6 and the club Annual General Meeting which is scheduled to take place on January 26 at 12 noon.

We are hoping to have a good following in Manchester at the Soccer 6 this year and have already announced the following 10-man squad for the event, subject to injury:

Alec Chamberlain, Rob Johnson, Richard Harvey, Danny Wilson, Marvin Johnson, Kingsley Black, Ricky Hill, Roy Wegerle, Mick Harford, David Oldfield.

## HAVING A BALL



• Top-flight sponsors: Our director Terry Bailey's company Wallspan Bedrooms sponsored the home clash with QPR recently and thoroughly enjoyed the occasion.

## NEW BOOK READY FOR CHRISTMAS

• **Cup souvenir:** A new book to record all the events leading up to the great Littlewoods Cup win last April is due out at the end of month. Written and compiled by Timothy Collings, the author of *The Luton Town Story*, it should make the ideal Christmas gift for all Town fans.



A PICTORIAL CELEBRATION OF THEIR CUP HISTORY

By Timothy Collings



• **Bobby Robson drops in:** The England Manager was a welcome guest at our recent home match against Arsenal. He is pictured together with our Managing Director John Smith and Director Brian Cole.



• **Hands on the cup:** Referee Joe Worrall (second left) who was in charge of our Littlewoods Cup Final last April, had a close look at the trophy after our recent draw with QPR. He is pictured with his linesmen Messrs E.B. Crompton and P. Reyer and our General Secretary Bill Tomlins.



• **Big match line-up:** Mascot Christopher Barton meets QPR captain David Seaman and our own Steve Foster with the match officials.

# CAPTAIN'S DIARY



STEVE FOSTER

## Change of luck

Hello everyone and welcome to West Ham. It is nice to be playing at home again after three away games in succession and I hope we are able to put together a good performance today to make up for some of the disappointments recently.

We have not been having much luck with injuries or the run of the ball in the last few weeks although the performance at Leeds, when we had a very young side out, was outstanding. It is never an easy place to play especially in an important cup-tie when you are the holders defending the trophy.

## Examples

The young lads who have come into the team have done very well and I am thinking particularly of the contributions made by Julian James and Marvin Johnson recently. Everyone at the club is sure they are setting a great example to the rest of the youngsters.

Last week, we were unlucky not to gain some reward at Coventry where, after surviving a lot of pressure in the first half, we came back quite powerfully after the interval. Mick might have had a goal and he will be even sharper today after training fully again following his injury. Enjoy the match.

## NO JOY AT HIGHFIELD ROAD Coventry City 1 Luton Town 0

A solitary 36th minute goal by central defender Graham Rodger was the decisive strike last Saturday as the Town slumped to their second successive away defeat at Highfield Road, Coventry. The previous Saturday, an injury-weakened team had gone down 3-1 at Millwall.

The result left the Town stranded in 16th place in the First Division with 10 points from 12 games and searching for a victory after five games without winning

With team manager Ray Harford taking an opportunity to assess Littlewoods Cup fourth round opponents Manchester City in their Second Division clash with Watford at Maine Road, chief coach Richie Barker took charge of the team.

He said afterwards that he was disappointed at the result because he felt the team were worth at least a point on their second half showing.

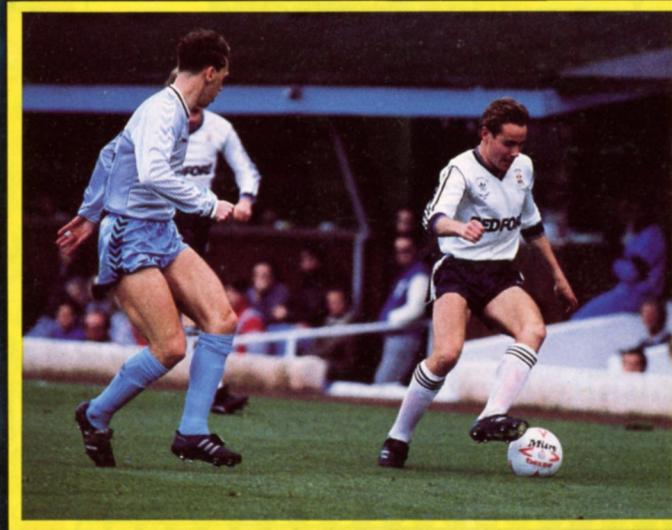
England striker Mick Harford, back after a two-match injury absence, had the best Town chances, but was out of luck in front of goal, Steve Ogrizovic making a couple of brilliant saves to keep him out when the Town moved forward to create chances.

**Teams:** Coventry City - Ogrizovic, Borrows, Downs, Sedgley, Kilcline, Rodger, Clark, Speedie, Regis, Bannister, Smith.

**Luton Town -** Sealey, R. Johnson, Grimes, Williams (Oldfield), Foster, M. Johnson, Wilson, Wegerle, Harford, Hill, Black.

**Referee:** K. Burge (Torquay).

# 1st Team ACTION



• **Effort unrewarded:** A much-improved second-half showing failed to gain any reward last week when the Town were beaten 1-0 at Highfield Road, Coventry. With Rob Johnson back in the starting line-up, but John Dreyer out with an injured ankle, the Town were able to field two former Sky Blues in Les Sealey and Ashley Grimes. Our action pictures today by Josh Levy of Apex Photography, Milton Keynes.

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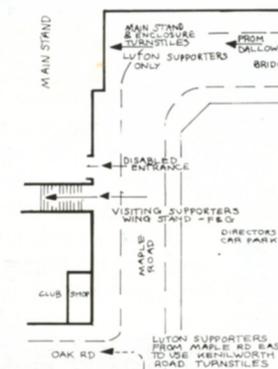
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## ARRANGEMENTS FOR VISITING SUPPORTERS VIA MAPLE ROAD

Visiting Manchester City supporters will be accommodated in the K1 section of the Kenilworth Terrace and E, F, and G blocks of the Main Stand.

Our own supporters who normally use the Maple Road entrance will be able to do so as usual for this match. We request that they only use the entrance as access and approach the entrance only via the bridge in Maple Road and not via Oak Road.

Thank you for your co-operation.



## MAN IN CHARGE Vic Callow (Solihull)

Vic is a management services officer. He is married with two sons and lives in the West Midlands where he began his refereeing career. He progressed via the Midland Football Combination and the West Midlands (Regional) League to the Football League list in 1979. He has been in charge of two schoolboy internationals. He enjoys playing and watching many other sports. Vic's linesmen this afternoon are Mr. M.L. James of Stowmarket and Mr. D. Orr of Iver. The reserve official is Mr. M. Mitchell of Dunstable.



## LITTLEWOODS CHALLENGE CUP, FOURTH ROUND LUTON TOWN v MANCHESTER CITY

Tuesday, November 29, kick-off 7.45 pm.

This will be an all-ticket match for Manchester City fans, but **NOT** for our own supporters.

Luton Town supporters will be able to pay on the turnstiles and buy tickets for seats from the Ticket Office on the night **NO TICKETS FOR GUESTS WILL BE FOR SALE ON THE DAY OF THE MATCH.**

Our present reduced prices for Littlewoods Cup ties will continue to apply.

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Main Stand	£7	£2
Oak Stand	£5	£3
Kenilworth Terrace	£4	£2

TICKETS WILL BE ON SALE FROM THE TICKET OFFICE FROM THURSDAY NOVEMBER 10th.

# PLAYER PROFILE

## MICK HARFORD

Apart from having a reputation as one of the most-respected centre-forwards in the English First Division, our popular number nine also has the unique distinction of having been on the books of three major clubs on the same day earlier in his career.

This happened during the 1981-1982 season when in the space of only a few hours Mick's registration as a Football League player passed through the hands of Bristol City, Newcastle United and Birmingham City, from whom he joined the Town in December 1984 for a then club record free of £250,000

Newcastle, who had signed Mick from his first league club Lincoln City in December 1980, had moved to Bristol in 1981. City, however, were unable to play the fee and Mick was re-signed by the Magpies and sold instantly to Birmingham to solve the problem.

At Kenilworth Road, Sunderland born Mick has developed into a much-admired full England international with great skill and control on the ground combining with his power in the air.



•Mick Harford: Our England Striker on his way back after injury.



**MICK HARFORD**

# GUINNESS SOCCER

## SUNDAY 4 DECEMBER 1988

4.00 p.m. - 7.05 p.m.

<i>Group A</i>	<i>Group B</i>
Tottenham Hotspur	Newcastle United
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## MONDAY 5 DECEMBER 1988

7.00 p.m. - 10.05 p.m.

<i>Group C</i>	<i>Group D</i>
Manchester City	Millwall
Queen's Park Rangers	Luton Town
Norwich City	Sheffield Wednesday

## TUESDAY 6 DECEMBER 1988

7.00 p.m. - 10.05 p.m.

<i>Group E</i>	<i>Group F</i>
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West Ham United	Southampton
Derby County	Middlesbrough

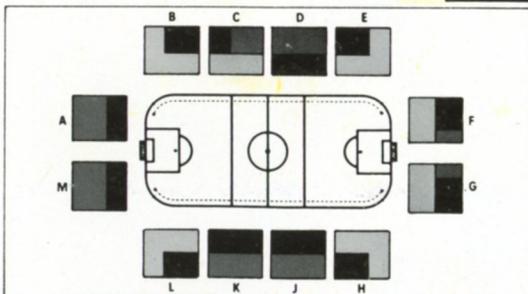
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7.00 p.m. - 10.05 p.m.

<i>Group G</i>	<i>Group H</i>
Liverpool	Nottingham Forest
Sunday's Winners	Wimbledon
Tuesday's Winners	Monday's Winners

	No req'd	No req'd	No req'd
<i>Ticket Prices</i>	£5.50	£4.50	£3.50
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Monday, 5th Dec.			
Tuesday, 6th Dec.			
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Wednesday, 7th Dec.			

TOTAL £



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## MASCOT



James Sanders

## ESCORTS



Gary Rogers



Andrew Reed



Andrew Howard



Carl Howe

## SUNDAY - 4th December, 1988

- 4.10 Tottenham Hotspur v Aston Villa
- 4.30 Newcastle United v Coventry City
- 4.50 Aston Villa v Everton
- 5.25 Coventry City v Charlton Athletic
- 5.45 Everton v Tottenham Hotspur
- 6.05 Charlton Athletic v Newcastle United
- 6.45 Play-off Match

## MONDAY - 5th December, 1988

- 7.10 Manchester City v Queen's Park Rangers
- 7.30 Millwall v Luton Town
- 7.50 Queen's Park Rangers v Norwich City
- 8.25 Luton Town v Sheffield Wednesday
- 8.45 Norwich City v Manchester City
- 9.05 Sheffield Wednesday v Millwall
- 9.45 Play-off Match

## TUESDAY - 6th December, 1988

- 7.10 Manchester United v West Ham United
- 7.30 Arsenal v Southampton
- 7.50 West Ham United v Derby County
- 8.25 Southampton v Middlesbrough
- 8.45 Derby County v Manchester United
- 9.05 Middlesbrough v Arsenal
- 9.45 Play-off Match

## WEDNESDAY - 7th December, 1988

- 7.10 Liverpool v Sunday's Winners
- 7.30 Nottingham Forest v Wimbledon
- 7.50 Sunday's Winners v Tuesday's Winners
- 8.25 Wimbledon v Monday's Winners
- 8.45 Tuesday's Winners v Liverpool
- 9.05 Monday's Winners v Nottingham Forest
- 9.45 Final
- 10.05 Presentation

# JUNIOR HATTERS!



BY DANNY WILSON

## SEATS AVAILABLE FOR SPECIAL OUTING NEXT WEEK

Today we give West Ham a warm welcome to Kenilworth Road. We still have a few seats left on the coach for the Norwich trip next week. This includes a visit to the Duxford Imperial War Museum in the morning. Book today to save any disappointment.

The football game that I mentioned in the Q.P.R. programme is against some local Asian boys. This game will be played at Kenilworth Road on Sunday November 27th, kicking off at 2.00pm. The age group is 10-12 years.

If you would like to play for the Junior Hatters in this game put your name into the Souvenir Shop today. This is a Charity football match as an ex-Luton Town XI will be kicking off at 3.00pm. Come along and give the teams some support.

Today the Junior Hatters have been entertaining the Rossgarth Youth Football Club from Wimborne, Dorset on the Pitch. I hope that both teams has a good time, we give them a warm welcome, as they are sitting in our Oak Road Family Enclosure watching today's game.

Today's lucky Junior Hatters membership number is H0188091174. The winning member should contact Bev Tyler in the Souvenir Shop with his or her membership card, for two free tickets to one of our home matches.

Have a good day and let the lads hear you cheering us on to victory. I will see you all at our next home game when our visitors are Manchester City, in the Littlewoods Cup on Tuesday 29th November, and by then the new book on our cup runs and victories will be on sale.



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## COMMERCIAL COMMENT BY WENDY GREAVES



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LIA have taken today's sponsorship as an opportunity to say thank you to all their staff, 70 of whom will be here to cheer us on in the match. We hope they all enjoy the day and a satisfactory conclusion to the match.

Our match ball today is sponsored by Peter Doyle of Convoy Installations and we thank him for his continued support of the club.

The third big name of course Vauxhall Bedford who are our club sponsors and whose name appears on the team's shirts.

### Big Match

In a few weeks time we have a big cup match against Manchester City when we defend the Littlewoods Cup. I am currently finalising details for that match sponsorship but have a few vacancies for what will, I am certain, be a very special evening.

So, if you looking for an evening out with family or business colleagues with a three-course dinner, a behind-the-scenes tour and the opportunity to meet all the players and have your photograph taken with the Littlewoods Cup on the night, please give me a call on Luton 411622.

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● **Striking role:** Garry Crawshaw fires in a shot for the Town during the reserves recent clash with Fulham at Kenilworth Road.



● **Ready to pounce:** Kurt Nogan moves in to challenge the Fulham goalkeeper.

## COACHES' CORNER



### RESERVES IN GOOD FORM DESPITE INJURIES

Injuries and have continued to play havoc with team preparations for Jim Ryan and John Faulkner in recent weeks, but to their's and the players' credit good performances and results have continued. Since losing at home to Wimbledon, for example, the reserves have only been beaten once in five outings and last weekend drew 1-1 with a powerful Chelsea team. "Our attitude and application was excellent," said Jim. "Some of the players looked a bit tired in the second half, but that was partially understandable after the tremendous standard they had set themselves in the first."

### Superb Youngsters

The Town's goal came from the ever-dangerous Kurt Nogan who has been prolific this season at all levels. The goal gave the Town the lead, but Chelsea powered back after the interval and snatched an equaliser. Jim praised the youngsters in the reserves team. He said: "Often recently I have asked John for young players to fill positions in my team and they have all come in and fitted in easily and confidently. That is a testament to his work with them. These lads have not just come and done a job, but done it superbly".

Last weekend, the youth team were beaten 1-0 at home in the South East Counties League, but the result did not tell the story at all. It could easily have finished 6-1 to the young Hatters team such was their domination of the 90 minutes. On Tuesday night this week, the reserves won 7-0 at Portsmouth with goals by Ian Allinson (3), Kurt Nogan (2) and Aaron Tighe (2).

### SOUTH EAST COUNTIES LEAGUE DIVISION TWO 1988/89

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Swindon Town	11	8	2	1	29	17	18
<b>Luton Town</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>32</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>15</b>
Crystal Palace	11	6	2	3	29	14	14
A.F.C. Bournemouth	12	6	1	5	22	18	13
Oxford United	11	6	1	4	17	19	13
Brentford	10	5	2	3	19	13	12
Southampton	9	4	3	2	22	12	11
Wimbledon	10	5	1	4	24	20	11
Colchester United	11	4	3	4	22	20	11
Bristol City	9	2	5	2	10	9	9
Brighton & Hove Albion	11	2	5	4	16	17	9
Tottenham Hotspur	12	3	1	8	18	33	7
Northampton Town	9	2	2	5	17	26	6
Reading	12	3	-	9	17	42	6
Bristol Rovers	11	2	1	8	11	29	5

### OVENDEN FOOTBALL COMBINATION 1988/89

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Arsenal	12	10	2	0	37	13	22
<b>Luton Town</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>31</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>16</b>
Tottenham Hotspur	10	7	2	1	18	9	16
Chelsea	9	7	0	2	22	10	14
Norwich City	11	6	1	4	26	17	13
Wimbledon	10	6	1	3	18	12	13
Watford	11	4	4	3	17	15	12
West Ham United	11	4	3	4	21	19	11
Fulham	9	5	0	4	12	11	10
Crystal Palace	10	5	0	5	16	17	10
Oxford United	12	5	0	7	24	37	10
Southampton	9	4	1	4	16	15	9
Brighton & Hove Albion	9	4	1	4	19	19	9
Millwall	9	3	1	5	14	17	7
Charlton Athletic	9	2	1	6	16	18	5
Portsmouth	8	2	1	5	12	18	5
Swindon Town	8	2	1	5	9	18	5
Ipswich Town	9	1	2	6	15	27	4
Queens Park Rangers	8	1	1	6	5	16	3
Reading	10	1	0	9	10	33	2

### OVENDEN PAPERS FOOTBALL COMBINATION 1988/89

Date	Opponents	Result
1988		
Aug 27	Southampton	3-2
Sept 6	Norwich City	2-3
Sept 10	Swindon T	1-1
Sept 17	Watford	2-2
Sept 24	Oxford United	7-1
Oct 1	Arsenal	2-3
Oct 4	Norwich	2-1
Oct 11	Brighton	3-0
Oct 15	Watford	4-0
Oct 18	Charlton A	1-0
Oct 22	Wimbledon	0-2
Oct 29	Reading	4-2
Nov 1	Fulham	0-3
Nov 5	Ipswich Town	2-1
Nov 8	QPR	1-0
Nov 12	Chelsea	1-1
Nov 15	Portsmouth	7-0
Nov 22	Millwall	
Nov 30	Oxford United	
Dec 20	Wimbledon	

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• No goals: Our last home match against QPR finished goalless three weeks ago.



# LUTON TOWN

# Goal'den Oldies

## CLOSE ENCOUNTERS ALWAYS IN STORE AGAINST THE HAMMERS

As can be seen elsewhere on this page League encounters with the Hammers have been remarkably close over the years with identical records being the result even down to goals scored and conceded, writes club statistician Roger Wash.

Although meetings for League points only commenced just before the War we did play West Ham and their predecessors Thames Ironworks on many occasions in our Southern League days going back to the turn of the century.

The first League meeting took place at Kenilworth Road on 23rd October 1937 following our promotion to Division Two. A crowd of 17757 watched the two teams splash around in a downpour and score two goals apiece. Albert Dawes and Ted Vinall, with his first goal for the club, scored for the Town.

### "Ten-goal Joe Payne made his farewell for the Town against West Ham in 1938"

The return fixture at Upton Park ended scoreless but did mark the final game in Luton colours of "Ten Goal" Joe Payne who was later to turn out for the Hammers after a spell at Chelsea. Paynes heir apparent Hugh Billington made his debut for the Town in the game at Kenilworth Road the following season, which was lost 2-1, but revenge was sweet when Billy Redfern scored the only goal in the return in East London although it must be said that West Ham were down to 10 men for the second half in the days before substitutes.

After the War leading up to our promotion in 1955 neither side gained the upper hand but a couple of milestones were recorded, with firstly Bob Morton, later to make a record 495 League appearances for the Town, making his debut at Upton Park in 1948/49 and Gordon Turner, the Hatters record goalscorer, scoring his first goals for the club in the home fixture in 1951/52.

The latter game was remarkable inasmuch that the Town beat West Ham 6-1 on Boxing Day 1952 (with Turner scoring three) having lost 3-0 at Upton Park the previous day. The West Ham team was the same on both occasion!

The Hammers followed us into Division One in 1958 but our ways parted two years later with our relegation. West Ham do have the dubious privilege of being our final visitors in the top division but we bowed out with a 3-1 win in a game where manager Syd Owen had his resignation accepted during the second half!

We met briefly during 1974/75 and recorded two instantly forgettable games but recommenced battle

in earnest four years later after the Hammers relegation to Division Two.

West Ham recorded the first "double" between the two sides in 1978/79 winning 4-1 at Kenilworth Road in a game far more even than the result suggests and 1-0 at Upton Park courtesy of an own goal by the luckless David Carr.

The Town then had three straight wins at Upton Park with the last (with both teams by then back in Division One) the most memorable. The evening of January 4th 1983 will stay long in the memory of those fortunate enough to be there when Paul Walsh scored a hat-trick in a surprising 3-2 win with the final goal being recorded in the last minute.

### Our post-war encounters with West Ham

	Home	Away
1937/38	2-2	0-0
1938/39	1-2	1-0
1946/47	2-1	1-2
1947/48	0-0	0-0
1948/49	0-1	1-0
1949/50	2-2	0-0
1950/51	1-1	1-2
1951/52	6-1	0-3
1952/53	0-0	1-0
1953/54	3-1	0-1
1954/55	2-0	1-2
1958/59	4-1	0-0
1959/60	3-1	1-3
1974/75	0-0	0-2
1978/79	1-4	0-1
1979/80	1-1	2-1
1980/81	3-2	2-1
1982/83	0-2	3-2
1983/84	0-1	1-3
1984/85	2-2	0-0
1985/86	0-0	1-0
1986/87	2-1	0-2
1987/88	2-2	1-1

### Summary

	P	W	D	L	F	A
Home	23	8	10	5	37	28
Away	23	7	6	10	17	26
	46	15	16	15	54	54



• Hat-trick hero: Paul Walsh hit a treble at Upton Park a few years ago when the Town won a thrilling league match

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# INTRODUCING...

## WEST HAM UNITED

Today we entertain a West Ham side who have drawn on three of their last four visits here and are currently among the goals after a very lean start to the season, having since the beginning of November beaten Derby 5-0, West Bromwich in the Simod Cup 5-2 and drawn with Nottingham Forest 3-3.

This is the eighth successive season back in Division One for a club who have played all their football in the top Two Divisions since joining the Football League in 1919. It is fitting that John Lyall, who is now in his 12th season is second only to Brian Clough in terms of current longest service of present-day managers for the Hammers have had only five managers throughout their history.

By the time Syd King became their first manager in 1902 they had been in existence for two seasons, having been formed in 1900 from the ashes of a previous club Thames Ironworks, who had competed in the F.A. Cup and had topped the Southern League in 1989/9. West Ham won their first game under their new label, 7-0, against Gravesend

in the Southern League and for the next few seasons they were amongst the better Southern League clubs without ever coming really near to taking the Championships.

### "Famous Scenes at the F.A. Cup Final"

The 'Hammers' kept going during the First World War in London Competitions and then secured election to Division Two in 1919, ready for the resumption of 'normal' football. They crashed 7-0 at Barnsley in their first away game, but rallied to finish in seventh spot that first season and they stayed amongst the leading Second Division clubs until that dramatic 1922/3.

Not only did they win promotion from Division Two, helped by a 23-game unbeaten run but they also reached the first F.A. Cup final to be staged at Wembley. That was something of an anti-climax for after plaining no fewer than nine league games



Back Row (left to right): Julian Dicks, Alan Dickens, Gary Strodder, Tom McAlister, Phil Parkes, Allen McKnight, Alvin Martin, Tony Gale, Steve Walford. Middle Row: Paul Hilton, Chris Harwood, Paul Ince, Ray Stewart, Alan Devonshire, George Parris, Simon Livett, David Kelly, Leroy Roawnior, Andrew Pearson, Adam King. Front Row: Kevin Keen, Paul Kelly, Steve Potts, Tommy McQueen, Mark Ward, Liam Brady, Stuart Slater, Stewart Robson, Eamonn Dolan.

between the semi-final and the final they went down 2-0 to Bolton at Wembley in a game more famous for the crowd chaos than for the match itself.

Syd King's 30 years as manager ended in 1932 when he was succeeded by Charlie Paynetr, who had for many years been his trainer-coach.

Hammers not only kept going during the war years, but won the League War Cup in 1939/40, beating Blackburn at Wembley at a time when future manager Ted Fenton was in midfield and that doyen of inside forwards Len Goulden was up front. Ted succeeded Charlie Paynetr as manager in 1950 and he led the Hammers back to Division One in 1958 and to sixth place there a year later.

Ron Greenwood then took over in 1961 and under him Hammers won the F.A. Cup in 1964 and the European Cupwinners Cup a year later. Those were the days of course of World Cup winning stars Bobby Moore, Geoff Hurst and Martin Peters. The F.A. Cup was won again in 1974/5. John Lyall, who had played as a defender in the late fifties succeeded Ron Greenwood in 1977 and suffered relegation at the end of his first season. It was however during a spell in Division Two that he led his side to another F.A. Cup triumph.

This is their eighth season back in Division One and in 1985/6 they climbed to third place, their highest ever in Division One. Since then they have finished 15th and 16th respectively.

### "Liam Brady is on his way back"

Since last season, leading scorer **Tony Cottee** has moved to Everton while **David Kelly** has been signed from Walsall and this Republic of Ireland international has scored eight goals so far though results have been rather shaky until the last few weeks.

At home, they have lost to Charlton, Arsenal and Liverpool before romping home 5-0 against Derby. Former Fulham man **Leroy Rosenior** has been on the scoresheet in recent weeks, as has former Oldham midfielder **Mark Ward** and former England Youth cap **Kevin Keen**. **Paul Ince** and **Alan Dickens** are other home-grown midfielders while one-time Arsenal man **Liam Brady** after a long spell in Italian football and an injury sustained in february is now steadily easing his way back into the side.

In defence the men to look out for are former England man **Alvin Martin** in the centre with **Tony Gale** (ex-Fulham) with **Steve Potts**, who has had experience in the USA and former Birmingham man **Julian Dicks** on the flanks. Former Celtic and Albion Rovers man **Alan McKnight** is in his first season in goal.

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## BARCLAYS FOOTBALL LEAGUE DIVISION ONE 1988-89

HOME					AWAY							
P	W	D	L	F A	W	D	L	F A	Pts			
12	3	3	1	11	9	Norwich City	5	0	0	10	3	27
11	2	1	1	8	6	Arsenal	5	1	1	19	7	23
12	4	1	2	13	7	Southampton	2	2	1	7	8	21
11	4	1	0	11	6	Millwall	1	4	1	10	9	20
12	2	3	1	7	4	Liverpool	3	1	2	10	5	19
11	2	2	2	8	6	Coventry	3	1	1	6	3	18
12	5	0	1	11	6	Middlesbrough	1	0	5	6	14	18
11	3	2	2	9	5	Derby	1	2	1	4	3	16
12	1	3	1	5	7	Nottingham Forest	2	4	1	11	10	16
11	2	2	1	10	5	Everton	2	1	3	6	8	15
11	2	2	1	5	3	Manchester United	1	4	1	8	7	15
12	2	3	1	8	6	Aston Villa	1	3	2	9	11	15
10	3	1	1	6	4	Sheffield Wednesday	1	2	2	5	7	15
12	3	0	2	8	4	Queens Park Rangers	1	2	4	4	7	14
12	1	3	3	9	15	Charlton Athletic	2	1	2	6	7	13
<b>12</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>LUTON TOWN</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>10</b>
<b>12</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>West Ham United</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>9</b>
11	2	1	3	12	14	Tottenham Hotspur	0	3	2	7	10	8
11	1	1	4	4	11	Wimbledon	1	1	3	6	10	8
12	1	1	4	5	9	Newcastle United	1	1	4	4	14	8

## APPEARANCES AND GOALSCORERS (1988/89)

	League		Littlewoods Cup	
	Aps	Gls	Aps	Gls
Ian Allinson	1(2)	-	-	-
Kingsley Black	12	3	3	-
Tim Breacker	2(1)	-	(2)	-
Gary Cobb	-	-	-	-
Mal Donaghy	6	-	2	-
John Dreyer	8	-	3	-
Steve Foster	12	1	3	-
Ashley Grimes	3	-	-	-
Mick Harford	10	1	2	-
Richard Harvey	-	-	-	-
Ricky Hill	9	-	3	1
Julian James	-	-	1	-
Marvin Johnson	6	-	1	-
Rob Johnson	10(1)	-	2	1
Darron McDonough	1(1)	-	-	-
David Oldfield	9(3)	1	3	1
David Preece	2	-	-	-
Les Sealey	12	-	3	-
Roy Wegerle	5(4)	-	1	-
Steve Williams	10	-	3	-
Danny Wilson	12	2	3	1

## Luton Town F-A Att Pos 1

Aug 27	Sheffield Wednesday	0-1	-	-	Sealey
Sept 3	Wimbledon	2-2 +	8067	12	Sealey
Sept 10	Southampton	1-2	13,214	16	Sealey
Sept 17	Manchester United	0-2	11,010	18	Sealey
Sept 24	Everton	2-0	26,170	15	Sealey
Sept 27	Burnley (LC2)	1-1	6,282	15	Sealey
Oct 1	Nottingham Forest	0-0	15,340	17	Sealey
Oct 8	Liverpool	1-0	12,117	13	Sealey
Oct 11	Burnley (LC2)	1-0	14,031	13	Sealey
Oct 22	Middlesbrough	1-2	17,749	16	Sealey
Oct 25	Arsenal	1-1	10,548	16	Sealey
Oct 29	Queens Park Rangers	0-0	8,453	16	Sealey
Nov 2	Leeds United (LC3)	2-0	19,447	16	Sealey
Nov 5	Millwall	1-3	12,511	16	Sealey
Nov 12	Coventry City	0-1	12,631	16	Sealey
Nov 19	West Ham United				
Nov 26	Norwich City				
Nov 29	Manchester City (LC4)				
Dec 3	Newcastle United				
Dec 10	Derby County				
Dec 17	Aston Villa				
Dec 26	Tottenham Hotspur (11 am)				
Dec 31	Wimbledon				
Jan 2	Southampton				
Jan 7	FA Cup 3rd Round				
Jan 14	Charlton Athletic				
Jan 21	Everton				
Jan 28	FA Cup 4th Round				
Feb 4	Nottingham Forest				
Feb 11	Liverpool				
Feb 18	Middlesbrough (FAC5)				
Feb 25	Arsenal				
Mar 4	Queens Park Rangers				
Mar 11	Millwall				
Mar 18	Sheffield Wednesday (FAC6)				
Mar 25	Manchester United				
Mar 27	Tottenham Hotspur				
Apr 1	Aston Villa				
Apr 8	Charlton Athletic				
Apr 15	Coventry City (FAC6/1)				
Apr 22	Newcastle United				
Apr 29	Derby County				
May 6	West Ham United				
May 13	Norwich City				
May 14	FA Cup Final				

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Breacker	Dreyer	Williams	Foster	Donaghy	D. Wilson	(Wegerle)	Harford	Oldfield	Black	RJ[IA]
R. Johnson	Grimes	Williams	Foster	Donaghy	D. Wilson	Preece	Harford	Oldfield	Black <sup>1</sup>	JD/RW
R. Johnson	Grimes	Williams	<b>Foster<sup>1</sup></b>	Donaghy	D. Wilson	Oldfield	Harford	(Preece)	Black	TB[RW]
R. Johnson	Dreyer	Williams	Foster	M. Johnson	D. Wilson	(Oldfield)	Harford	Hill	Black	[RW]/TB
R. Johnson	Dreyer	Williams	Foster	Donaghy	D. Wilson	<b>Oldfield<sup>1</sup></b>	Harford	Hill	Black <sup>1</sup>	TB/IA
(R. Johnson <sup>1</sup> )	Dreyer	Williams	Foster	Donaghy	D. Wilson	Oldfield	Harford	Hill	Black	[TB]/IA
R. Johnson	Dreyer	Williams	Foster	Donaghy	D. Wilson	Oldfield	(Harford)	Hill	Black	[IA]/TB
R. Johnson	Dreyer	Williams	Foster	Donaghy	D. Wilson	(Oldfield)	<b>Harford<sup>1</sup></b>	Hill	Black	[RW]/TB
(R. Johnson)	Dreyer	Williams	Foster	Donaghy	D. Wilson	Oldfield	Harford	<b>Hill<sup>1</sup></b>	Black	[TB]/IA
(R. Johnson)	Dreyer	(McDonough)	Foster	M. Johnson	<b>D. Wilson<sup>1P</sup></b>	Oldfield	Harford	Hill	Black	[TB]/[RW]
R. Johnson	Breacker	(McDonough)	Foster	M. Johnson	D. Wilson	Wegerle	Harford	Hill	Black <sup>1</sup>	[DO]/IA
R. Johnson	Dreyer	Williams	Foster	M. Johnson	D. Wilson	(Allinson)	Wegerle	Hill	Black	[DO]/RH
J. James	Dreyer	Williams	Foster	M. Johnson	<b>Wilson<sup>1</sup></b>	<b>Oldfield<sup>1</sup></b>	Wegerle	Hill	Black	IA/AG
(J. James)	Dreyer	Williams	Foster	M. Johnson	<b>Wilson<sup>1</sup></b>	Wegerle	Oldfield	Hill	Black	[RJ]/AG
R. Johnson	Grimes	(Williams)	Foster	M. Johnson	Wilson	Wegerle	Harford	Hill	Black	[RW]/J



## HELPING THE GAME

The Football Trust receives £9 million annually from the Spotting the Ball competition run by Littlewoods, Vernons and Zellers and spends it all on projects which benefit football throughout the United Kingdom.

Since 1979 it has been committed to the development of the game at every level and its broad and varying initiatives have ranged from essential safety work at Tottenham to social work at Torsheth, refurbishment at Wembley to repairs at Welling closed circuit television at all League clubs to community facilities at Oldham Athletic, transport improvements at Sheffield Wednesday to storm damage in the South East of England, from policing costs at Hull City to an artificial pitch at Hyde United.

1988-89 will see The Football Trust increase its commitment by investing further sums in closed circuit television transport facilities for supporters and projects to bring Football League clubs closer to their local community.

## WARNING

At the beginning of the season more than 110 League grounds in England, Wales and Scotland will be equipped with CLOSED CIRCUIT TELEVISION which has been funded by The Football Trust.

It is there to increase crowd safety and to help the police. Recording facilities enable film and photographs to be taken of disorder, which may subsequently be used in a court of law.

## CLOSED CIRCUIT TELEVISION

## SAFETY FIRST

Football grounds in England and Wales have reached their highest ever level of safety thanks to the £23,671,425 invested by the Football Grounds Improvement Trust since 1975.

Almost every League club has been assisted with essential safety work and further substantial sums have been spent to enable them to improve facilities. In the past year alone FGIT grants to Football League clubs totalled:

Safety improvements	£
	2,254,723
	770,561

In addition to its safety programme, FGIT has also allocated £15 million to build or improve family and disabled facilities at League grounds during 1988.

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## Luton Town

- 1 Les Sealey
  - 2 Rob Johnson
  - 3 Ashley Grimes
  - 4 Steve Williams
  - 5 Steve Foster
  - 6 Marvin Johnson
  - 7 Danny Wilson
  - 8 Roy Wegerle
  - 9 Mick Harford
  - 10 Ricky Hill
  - 11 Kingsley Black
- Subs

## West Ham United

- 1 Alan McKnight
  - 2 Steve Potts
  - 3 Julian Dicks
  - 4 Tony Gale
  - 5 Alvin Martin
  - 6 Kevin Keen
  - 7 Alan Ward
  - 8 David Kelly
  - 9 Leroy Rosenior
  - 10 Alan Dickens
  - 11 Paul Ince
- Subs

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