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# RAY'S REVIEW



Welcome to Manchester City and their supporters tonight for what promises to be another cracking cup-tie at Kenilworth Road. City may be in the Second Division but they are pressing for promotion and enjoying a good run at present and we shall be paying them as much respect as anyone else. That does not mean however that we do not intend to keep Andy Dibble fully employed on his first return to Luton since moving north. We hope Andy enjoys his reunion with us but does not prevent us moving into the quarter-finals in defence of the Littlewoods Cup.

These notes were written before our trip to Norwich last Saturday owing to printer's deadlines and I cannot make any comment on that performance. I hope the team were able to maintain the improved form shown in the previous week's home match against West Ham. As I said in my notes for that programme, we were working hard to find a more creative and goalscoring blend. It worked that day and we put in a good all-round team performance. The early goals obviously did a lot to help as they settled our nerves. Some of the younger lads have felt the tension in recent weeks and the result will have done them a power of good. We have very good players at our club, but it is difficult to look good when you are under pressure and feeling the tension. That win will have given us some confidence back and I hope it was reflected at Carrow Road.

On the injury front, apart from our long-term casualties Tim Breacker and Darron McDonough, who are making steady recoveries, my only worries have been over Ashley Grimes, Ricky Hill and John Dreyer. Ashley had a slight groin strain, Ricky a sore knee and John an ankle problem, but all three were hopeful of being in contention for tonight's match. As you all know, I have been looking for further players to strengthen the squad. At the time of writing, I have no success to report but remain anxious to find the right men for the job. Enjoy tonight's match and please give the team your vocal support. Thankyou.

*Ray Harford.*

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# Mailbag

**Write to: The Editor, Luton Town F.C.,  
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Dear Sir,

I am a faithful supporter of Luton and have been since then, the team has gone from strength to strength, winning and unfortunately losing some very good players like Paul Walsh and Mark Stein to name just a few.

Unfortunately, I do not have any souvenir of the great club apart from a scarf which I bought while I was up there in 1986. I would therefore greatly appreciate it if you would kindly send me a team photo, fixture list, players autographs, and anything that would give me golden memories such as club history, match programmes, player's autographs and any other bits and pieces that would be of sentimental value to me.

I would now like to take this opportunity to wish you all the best for the rest of the season and every success in your future endeavours. Keep up the good work! You are guaranteed of my continued support!

Yours sincerely

Lloyd K. Katiza

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Alan Strudwick  
Publicity Support Officer  
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Dear Sir,

What a delight to see David Preece back in the first team against West Ham, and it showed just how much we have missed him in the midfield this year. David is a player in the Archie Gemmill mould who always gives 101% every time he plays and his distribution of the ball is always a delight to watch. It also allowed Kingsley Black to move forward and show us just what a good finisher he is.

Yours faithfully

Mr L. Skinner

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•Delightful: David Preece.

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# DRESSING ROOM

with Roy Wegerle

*Born in Johannesburg, South Africa, in March 1964, Roy Wegerle joined the Town during the summer from Chelsea after starting his career on the other side of the Atlantic with Tampa Bay Rowdies in the North American Soccer League. Today, in Dressing Room Talk, Roy describes his own career and reflects on his new career at Kenilworth Road:*



• Roy Wegerle

## Great experience

"I was born and raised in South Africa but left when I was 17. I won a scholarship to Miami University and it was while I was there that I took up professional football in the United States. At that time the NASL was full of star players and big names - people like Johan Cruyff, Franz Beckenbauer, Pele, George Best and so on. It was really good for me. There was a lot of razzamataz attached to the game and it was a high standard being played.

"It may not have been so high as it is or was in the English First Division, but it was still a good standard. Playing in that league was fantastic for me and was my apprenticeship if you like. But it was always my ambition to play in England in the First Division and I got my chance in 1986 when I was able to join Chelsea.

## High quality

"I was at Stamford Bridge for two years and then, as you know, I joined Luton this year. I have enjoyed my time so far at Kenilworth Road. Everyone has made me feel most welcome and the players have been great... We have a very high quality squad here and I am sure it is only a matter of time before we can make things click regularly.

"I am still living in London, in Wimbledon, but I am searching for a place to live much nearer to the club. The travelling can be a bit tiring sometimes as it is a long journey. I try and break it up by mixing up driving and the train journeys. But it is always going to

be a long journey in.

"My initial period with the club has been much as I have expected. It is going to take time to get used to players and to fit in with their styles and the pattern of the team. Now I think I am beginning to find myself a place in the side and it is up to me to keep working hard at it to make it my own. My favourite role is to play off a big central attacker, a bit like Brian Stein used to last year, but I am happy to be in the side wherever I am asked to play.

## Score goals

"My job is to try and score and create goals - that is the main thing. We have had some criticism from the press recently, but we may have answered that with our four goals against West Ham when I was on the scoresheet with my first senior goal for Luton. Of course, we are not going to score four goals every week, even if we would like to. But it is good for confidence and I think we have yet to see the best of our team. We are settling down now and I just hope we can begin to put it together consistently."





by BILL TOMLINS

## THE TOWN

CUP-TIE SCHEDULE ENSURES  
A BUSY TIME LIES AHEAD

Good evening and welcome to Manchester City, their directors, officials, players and, particularly, their fans and goalkeeper. I am sure they will have a big following here tonight and enjoy their visit to Kenilworth Road.

We have, as all our regular supporters know, made a special effort to bring in a system tonight to assist in our visiting supporters' accommodation with reduced inconvenience to our own fans by using the Maple Road bridge in a scheme suggested by our supporters and approved by the police.

I hope we are able to announce that the experiment is a success.

## Simod draw

The draw for the third round of the Simod Cup – in which we reached Wembley last season – has taken place and paired us with either Crystal Palace or Southampton away from home. We were not involved in the competition until this stage because we were a seeded club.

As the match between Palace and Southampton has not been resolved, we are unable to give any firm date or venue for our third round tie. If tonight's Littlewoods Cup tie ends in a draw the replay will be at Maine Road on December 14 – an arrangement made because the Guinness Soccer-6 takes place in the first week of December.

It is likely the Simod tie will not take place until the New Year by when we hope also to be making significant progress in the Bedfordshire Premier Floodlit Cup and the F.A. Youth Cup.

We have been drawn away to Wootton Blue Cross in the Bedfordshire competition and are due to meet them at Wootton on Tuesday, December 6, kick-off 7.30 pm. If the match ends in a draw the replay will be held at Kenilworth Road on Thursday, December 15, kick-off 7.45 pm.

## Youth Cup

In the FA Youth Cup, we have been drawn to meet Aston Villa – away again – at Villa Park on Saturday, December 17, kick-off 3 pm. This is the same day as our home fixture against Villa in the First Division and has been arranged to enable Villa's fans to watch their youngsters in action and keep up to date via a relayed score-line with the latest news from Kenilworth Road.

If this match ends in a draw, the replay will be at Kenilworth Road on Monday, December 19, kick-off 7.30 pm. Admission prices will be £2 for Adults and £1 for Juniors and Senior Citizens on the night. Please note, our Boxing Day match at Tottenham will be all-ticket. Details on page 15.

## ON THE MEND



• **Get well soon:** Darren McDonough has had a bad year with injuries. We wish him a speedy recovery.

## JUNIOR HATTERS ENJOY BIG MATCH FEELING

• **On the ball:** Our Junior Hatters enjoyed a taste of the big-time before our recent home clash with West Ham. Full report in Danny Wilson's regular column on page 19.



• **Man of the match:** Kingsley Black was our top Hatter against West Ham. He is pictured being presented with his prize by our sponsors' Luton International Airport's director David Bates.



• **Before the Kick-off:** Mascot James Sanders lines up with two former England centre-halves, West Ham's Alvin Martin and our own Steve Foster, with the match officials.

## LUTON TOWN



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By Timothy Collings

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## CAPTAIN'S DIARY



STEVE FOSTER

## Andy's back

Hello everyone and a special welcome back to Kenilworth Road to Andy Dibble who will be making his first appearance here since last season when he did so much towards helping us win the Littlewoods Cup. Andy is now with our opponents Manchester City and while we wish him all the best in his new career with them, we hope he finishes on the losing side tonight.

Andy made a special name for himself with all Luton fans last season when he saved a penalty against Arsenal at Wembley so he will always be well remembered for that.

## Repeat

We hope tonight that we will be able to produce a repeat of the sort of performance we gave against West Ham. It was nice to be able to score some goals again and play with a bit more freedom and confidence in a match.

It is getting near to Christmas now and I know a lot of the young lads on the playing staff and practicing their carol-singing ready for our annual dressing-room sing-song. I'll tell you more about that another time. Enjoy the match.



## KINGSLEY NAILS HAMMERS

Luton Town 4 West Ham United 1

Two cracking long-range shots by Kingsley Black, an equally spectacular effort by Danny Wilson and Roy Wegerle's tap-in for his first goal for the club in the First Division ensured the Town swept to a commanding victory over West Ham in our last home match 10 days ago. In a bright all-round performance, it was the sharpness and movement of the midfield and forward players which caught the eye as the Hammers were well and truly nailed in the opening 38 minutes.

West Ham played their part in what was a thoroughly entertaining match and came back briefly in the second half when Alvin Martin scored from close range after 62 minutes, but there was never doubt about the eventual outcome. With a reshaped midfield, including David Preece for the first time since September, the Town were always on top and were able to enjoy winning with something to spare.

The win lifted the Town away from the three bottom places in the First Division but left them in 16th position in the table with 13 points from 13 games. Afterwards, Kingsley Black and David Oldfield earned special praise for their pace, but Martin pointed to the all-round skills and strength of Mick Harford as the Town's key asset. Town boss Ray Harford said he felt the performance was the team's best of the season and added that Preece had an excellent game in midfield.

**Teams:** Luton Town - Sealey, R. Johnson, Grimes, Preece, Foster, M. Johnson, Wilson, Wegerle, Harford, Oldfield, Black.

**West Ham United** - McKnight, Potts, Dicks, Gale, Martin, Keen (Parris 74), Ward, Brady, Rosenior, Dickens (Hilton 74), Ince.

**Referee:** V. Callow (Solihull).

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This is not an all ticket match.

#### FORTHCOMING MATCHES AT KENILWORTH ROAD

##### Barclays League Division One

Saturday, December 3, 1988  
Luton Town v Newcastle United  
Kick-off 3.00p.m.

##### Ovenden Papers Football Combination

Saturday, December 10, 1988  
Luton Town v Tottenham Hotspur  
Kick-off 2.00p.m.

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#### MAN IN CHARGE Dennis Hedges (Oxford)

A joinery works manager, Dennis is married with two boys. He began to referee in 1963 and progressed via the Oxford Senior League, Hellenic League and the Isthmian League to the Football League list. He enjoys all sport, particularly football and cricket. Dennis's linesmen tonight are Messrs J. F. Hill and R. J. Pardoe and the fourth reserve official is Mr. E. K. Harrison.



#### BEDFORDSHIRE PREMIER FLOODLIT CUP

Wootton Blue Cross v Luton Town  
Tuesday, December 6, 1988  
Kick-off 7.30 pm

If this match ends in a draw, the replay will take place at Kenilworth Road on Tuesday, December 15, kick-off 7.45 pm.

#### TOTTENHAM HOTSPUR V LUTON TOWN

Barclays League Division One  
Monday, December 26, 1988  
Kick-off 11.30 am.

This will be an ALL-TICKET match. Tickets will be on sale from our Kenilworth Road ticket office on Saturday after our Newcastle United home match. Seats for visitors to White Hart Lane will cost £9. Standing tickets will cost £5.



# PLAYER PROFILE

## ROB JOHNSON

Having overcome two very serious knee ligament injuries, our composed and dependable right-back Rob Johnson is now proving what everyone always knew – that he would prove himself to be a top-quality First Division player in the end. Born in Bedford, Rob signed on as a Kenilworth Road professional in August 1979 and will therefore complete 10 years with the club next summer.

He has overcome terrible luck with injuries and his fighting attitude is a fine example to other players and other sportsmen seeking to succeed in their chosen game. Now he has established himself as a regular member of the Town's first team squad and this season has made the right-back position virtually his own with a string of skilful and intelligent performance.

Rob made his full debut for the Town in 1983 and has now played in league matches for the club. We all hope he goes on to make up for lost time with a long and happy career and follow up his first senior goal in the Littlewoods Cup tie against Burnley with more successful strikes on goal.



• Skilful defender: Rob Johnson breaks away.



**ROB JOHNSON**



# GUINNESS SOCCER

## SUNDAY 4 DECEMBER 1988

4.00 p.m. - 7.05 p.m.

Group A	Group B
Tottenham Hotspur	Newcastle United
Aston Villa	Coventry City
Everton	Charlton Athletic

## MONDAY 5 DECEMBER 1988

7.00 p.m. - 10.05 p.m.

Group C	Group D
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.

Group E	Group F
Manchester United	Arsenal
West Ham United	Southampton
Derby County	Middlesbrough

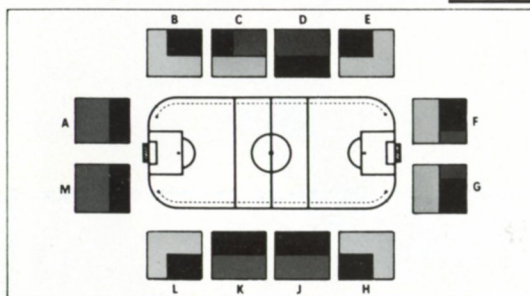
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7.00 p.m. - 10.05 p.m.

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Tuesday's Winners	Monday's Winners

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## SUNDAY - 4th December, 1988

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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

## MASCOT



Mark Freeman

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Jamie Ellingham



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# JUNIOR HATTERS!



BY DANNY WILSON

## EVERYONE HAPPY AFTER OUR BUSY WEEKEND

Our Junior Hatters did very well when they entertained the Rossgarth Youth Football Club before the West Ham game. I had a look for a short time and I thought that both teams were enjoying themselves. The result was a 2-2 draw - a fair result on the day, as both teams were evenly balanced.

The juniors had a busy time last weekend. They had a day out on Saturday when they visited the Duxford Imperial War Museum and travelled on to Norwich in the afternoon to see the first team play. It was nice to see you supporting us at an away game. I understand everyone had a good time.

On the Sunday the Juniors played a team of local Asian boys in a friendly game at Kenilworth Road, this was our part of entertainment in a charity match that was played after the Juniors game.

Next Monday we take part in the Soccer 6 at Manchester G-Mex Centre. We take on Millwall and Sheffield Wednesday.

If we win these matches it will put us into the play off to see if we can make it to the finals on the Wednesday.

Today's Lucky Junior Hatters membership number is H0188091328. 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.

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We offer a very warm welcome to Willie Brooks of Gatmay Ltd., Vic Green of V. Green & Sons Ltd., Clive Williams of Applied Interiors and Dave Gordon of Ardox Pyrene Ltd. They have all been great supporters of the club in the past.

We also offer a very special welcome to new company participating in tonight's sponsorship Rael Brook Shirts, launched back on the market very successfully recently by Bedfordshire-raised entrepreneur Colin Dees.

A former Luton Tech student, Colin has spent a lifetime in the clothing industry and also worked for long spells in Hong Kong and Portugal. He achieved a management buyout of the Tootal Menswear business in January 1988 and launched Rael Brook through his new company The City Shirt Co (1988) Ltd from his Manchester headquarters.

Our ball sponsors tonight are also no strangers to the club - Leighton Buzzard luxury housing company Willis Dawson Ltd. We offer a very special thankyou to Roger Willis tonight for supporting us at such short notice this time and hope he like everyone else enjoys a highly-entertaining evening.



### HELPING THE GAME

The Football Trust receives £9 million annually from the Spotting the Ball competition run by Littlewoods, Vernors 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 Tooteth, 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.

### 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 £1.5 million to build or improve family and disabled facilities at League grounds during 1988.

### 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





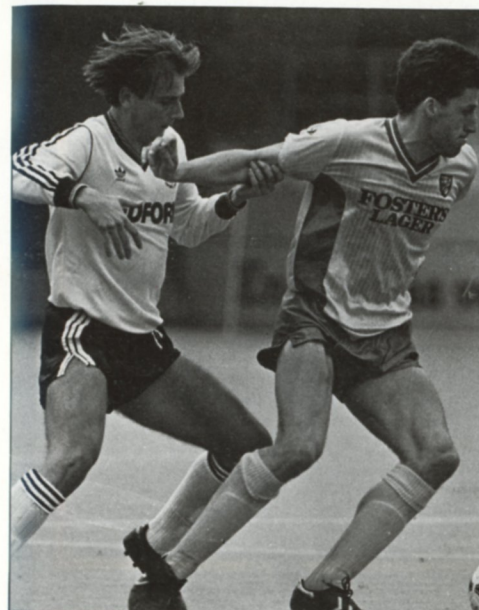
● **Close challenge:** Flying encounters during a recent youth clash at Kenilworth Road.

## SOUTH EAST COUNTIES LEAGUE DIVISION TWO 1988/89

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Swindon Town	13	9	3	1	31	18	21
A.F.C. Bournemouth	14	8	1	5	25	19	17
Oxford United	13	8	1	4	21	20	17
Brentford	12	7	2	3	25	14	16
<b>Luton Town</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>32</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>15</b>
Wimbledon	12	7	1	4	29	20	15
Crystal Palace	13	6	2	5	30	17	14
Southampton	11	4	4	3	24	15	12
Brighton & Hove Albion	13	3	5	5	18	19	11
Colchester United	13	4	3	6	23	25	11
Bristol City	11	2	6	3	13	14	10
Reading	14	4	-	10	21	46	8
Northampton Town	11	2	3	6	20	31	7
Tottenham Hotspur	13	3	1	9	20	37	7
Bristol Rovers	13	3	1	9	13	33	7

## OVENDEN FOOTBALL COMBINATION 1988/89

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Arsenal	14	11	3	0	40	15	25
<b>Luton Town</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>42</b>	<b>22</b>	<b>23</b>
Tottenham Hotspur	13	10	2	1	28	11	22
Watford	14	7	4	3	30	19	18
Chelsea	11	8	1	2	24	11	17
Wimbledon	13	7	2	4	22	15	16
West Ham United	15	6	4	5	25	22	16
Norwich City	13	6	1	6	27	23	13
Fulham	11	6	1	4	18	14	13
Oxford United	15	5	3	7	30	43	13
Southampton	12	5	2	5	22	22	12
Crystal Palace	12	5	1	6	17	20	11
Brighton & Hove Albion	12	5	1	6	22	26	11
Swindon Town	11	4	2	5	17	20	10
Charlton Athletic	12	3	2	7	22	25	8
Millwall	10	3	1	6	14	18	7
Ipswich Town	12	2	2	8	17	30	6
Queens Park Rangers	12	2	1	9	9	21	3
Portsmouth	12	2	1	9	13	32	5
Reading	13	1	1	11	12	42	3



● **On the ball:** Ian Scott moves in to challenge during a reserves match.

## OVENDEN PAPERS FOOTBALL COMBINATION 1988/89

Date	Opponents	Result	Date	Opponents	Result
1988			1989		
Aug 27	Southampton	3-2	Jan 4	Brighton	
Sept 6	Norwich City	2-3	Jan 7	Crystal Palace	
Sept 10	Swindon T	1-1	Jan 14	Reading	
Sept 17	Watford	2-2	Jan 17	Chelsea	
Sept 24	Oxford United	7-1	Jan 28	Southampton	
Oct 1	Arsenal	2-3	Feb 7	Millwall	
Oct 4	Norwich	2-1	Feb 14	Swindon T	
Oct 11	Brighton	3-0	Feb 25	West Ham	
Oct 15	Watford	4-0	Mar 4	Arsenal	
Oct 18	Charlton A	1-0	Mar 15	Crystal Palace	
Oct 22	Wimbledon	0-2	Mar 21	Charlton A	
Oct 29	Reading	4-2	Mar 25	West Ham	
Nov 1	Fulham	0-3	Apr 1	Fulham	
Nov 5	Ipswich Town	2-1	Apr 11	Ipswich T	
Nov 8	QPR	1-0	Apr 22	Portsmouth	
Nov 12	Chelsea	1-1	May 13	Tottenham	
Nov 15	Portsmouth	7-0			
Nov 22	Millwall	2-2			
Nov 30	Oxford United				
Dec 20	Wimbledon				

## COACHES' CORNER



### RESERVES GOOD RUN GOES ON

Our young reserves team kept their recent unbeaten run going last week when they travelled to London to take on Millwall and, despite going 2-0 down, came back to claim a point with a deserved 2-2 draw. Goals by Mick O'Brien and Jason Rees helped the youngster in the second half as they forced Millwall on to the defensive and were finally unlucky not to win.

"It was a pretty good performance as we had to do well to get anything out of it in the end," said coach Jim Ryan. "We had a very young side out and it was a good show of character as well by the lads."

The draw took the reserves' recent run of unbeaten matches to five including that 7-0 win at Portsmouth on November 15 when Ian Allinson, whose experience has been vital to the youngsters around him, claimed a hat-trick. The reserves team in action at Millwall was: Chamberlain, Poutch, Harvey, O'Brien, Allpress, Jackson, Rees, Scott, Nogan, Allinson, Tighe. Subs: Cobb, Pembridge.

The youth team have not been action much since their 1-0 home defeat by Bournemouth in the South East Counties League on November 12, but were due to meet Wimbledon in south London last Saturday. Printer's deadlines, alas, prevent the result of that game appearing here tonight.

With so many youngsters being promoted to the reserves recently to give them experience and take the places of reserves who have been promoted to join the injury-depleted first team squad, it has been difficult to put together a strong side.

But one bonus has been the form of the youngsters who have blossomed with one example being Matthew Jackson who is still studying at Sixth Form College in Luton but gaining experience playing in central defence for the reserves. Jim Ryan said he had a good game at Millwall.



## THE CHALLENGE

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We continue to see our latest challenge as playing a part in making football a family occasion at clubs throughout the country and making football grounds happier places to visit.

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If our continued involvement can go some way towards helping to realise these aims then it is a challenge we consider worthy of accepting.



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## PHOTO FILE



- No joy at The Den: Roy Wegerle and Steve Williams are pictured in action at Millwall during our 3-1 defeat.





# LUTON TOWN Goal'den Oldies

## OUR FIVE PREVIOUS MEETINGS WITH CITY

We resume our defence of the trophy tonight against a team that we have met five times before in the same competition albeit in the old League Cup, *writes club statistician Roger Wash.*

The League Cup was in its infancy when we were drawn away to City in a 4th Round tie on 14th November 1962. Second Division Luton had already won at Southport and Barnsley in the competition that season and the thought of travelling away yet again did not bother us overmuch even though City were a First Division outfit at the time.

With the Final being played over two legs the prospects of appearing at Wembley were non-existent with the result that attendances were poor and only 8682 turned up at Maine Road that night to watch a poor game settled by a first half goal from City's Alex Harley.

### "A big crowd turned us into action at Kenilworth Road"

By the time the teams next the League Cup had established itself on the football calendar as proved by the Towns decision to make City's visit to Kenilworth Road for a 3rd Round tie on 25th October 1977 all ticket.

Roared on by a crowd of 16443 the Town outplayed City in the first half and sharper finishing by Ron Futchér would have given him a hat-trick. The breakthrough came in the 50th minute however when Futchér latched onto a mistake by Paul Power to score.

As the Town basked in the glory, City sneaked an equaliser within three minutes from Peter Barnes and that is how the score remained despite further heavy Luton pressure including a goalbound effort from Ricky Hill headed off the line by Tommy Booth.

The replay took place at Maine Road the following week and with the seconds ticking away and the match still scoreless Gary Heale was faced with an open goal but amazingly missed. The score remained level after

extra time and the 28254 City faithful went home relieved.

The second replay was fixed for Old Trafford on 9th November 1977 but in that short space of time the Town had lost the services of Paul Futchér, badly injured in a road accident, and Jim Husband injured on the football field.

Jim McNichol was drafted into defence and a first outing given to a certain Brian Stein only recently signed from non-league Edgware.

For some peculiar reason the match was made all-ticket with the result that only 14043 bothered to roll up but the Town fans soon made themselves heard as Gary Heale suitably atoning for his mistake at Maine Road put Luton two up with goals in the 11th and 26th minute.

City, suitably shocked, managed to pull the game level at the end of normal time with goals from Dennis Tueart and Mike Channon before scoring an undeserved winner courtesy of Brian Kidd in the 113th minute.

It was only three years later that the teams met in the competition, again in Round 3, and again at Kenilworth Road.

### "Antic equalised with a dazzling free-kick from 20 yards"

This time the game was settled at the first attempt with City winning 2-1 but not without some scores along the way as the Town pushed forward especially in the second half.

City's first goal was scored in the 12th minute by Dave Bennett following good work by million pound signing Kevin Reeves. The Town equalised thirteen minutes later when Roddy Antic bent in a twenty yard free-kick but the winner was registered just before half-time by Tony Henry who scored with a clean header from a cross by City's other million pound man Steve Daley.



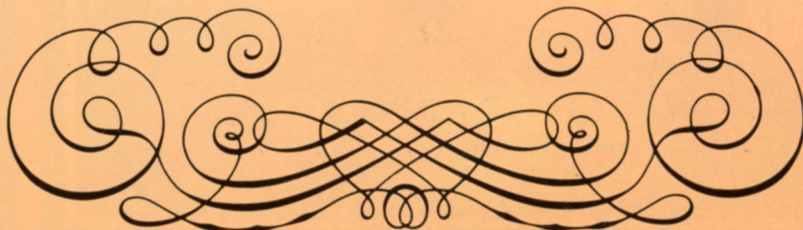
• Sliding in: Ron Futchér shows his scoring power

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# INTRODUCING...

## MANCHESTER CITY

Tonight we welcome a Manchester City side who may be in Division Two but who are very much one of the country's leading clubs whether one looks at the talent at their disposal or at the measure of their support.

They were formed as Ardwick in 1887, growing out of a team called West Gorton, who had been playing as early as 1880. Ardwick played in the Football Alliance from 1889 to 1898 when they became founder-members of Division Two. In only their second season there financial problems were so great that they were wound up and they emerged as Manchester City. They did well enough to qualify for the 'Test Matches' (the equivalents of the present-day play-offs) in 1896 only to lose 8-0 to Small Heath (now Birmingham City). In 1899, however, they won promotion with Welsh international winger Billy Meredith netting 29 goals.

They stayed up for only three seasons and soon afterwards they were involved in a bribery scandal, but they survived and this has been the main characteristic in their history, that of coming back after a setback. Though they have been relegated to Division Two on no fewer than eight occasions they have never stayed down for more than three seasons at a time. Twice after losing an F.A. Cup final in one year they have won it the next and even though they were relegated in 1938 just a year after winning the First Division Championship they did get into the record books again then by being the highest scorers in Division One.

Their most successful spell was under Joe Mercer and Malcolm Allison in the sixties and early seventies when they topped Division Two in 1966, won the First Division Championship in 1968, the F.A. Cup in 1969, and both the European Cupwinners Cup and the

League Cup in 1970.

They lost to Wolves in the League Cup final of 1974, but then won it again in 1976 under Tony Book, beating Newcastle in the final. Managers came and went after that with Malcolm Allison having a second spell, then John Bond, John Benson and Billy McNeill all having ago. They lost their First Division place in 1983 after their longest-ever spell there lasting 17 years and though they bounced back under McNeill in 1985 they went down again under Jimmy Frizzell in 1987.

Last season under Mel Machin they consolidated their Second Division place ready for a promotion drive this season and they also enjoyed useful runs in both the Littlewoods Cup (losing to Everton in round four) and the F.A. Cup (losing to Liverpool in round six).

### "Andy Dibble needs no introductions"

Despite an indifferent start they seem destined to improve on last season's position of ninth. Since crashing 4-1 to Oldham at Maine Road on the opening day they have not lost at home and their only away defeats have been single goal affairs at Ipswich and Hull. In the Littlewoods Cup they have won 6-3 at Plymouth and 4-1 at home to Sheffield United, young striker **Paul Moulden** getting a hat-trick in the latter game. He is likely to be up front today with **Wayne Biggins**, who came from Norwich during the summer and **Tony Morley**, who came from Northampton last season. In midfield **Nigel Gleghorn** (from Ipswich a few months ago), ex- Congleton man **Ian Brightwell** and much-travelled **Ian McNab** have all found the net this season. In defence **Brian Gayle** came from Wimbledon during the summer to join former Liverpool junior **Mark Seagrave** and home-grown **Andy Hinchcliffe** and **Steve Redmond**. In goal **Andy Dibble** needs no introduction to our fans while substitutes recently have included England Under-21 man **David White** and England Youth cap **Jason Beckford**.



Back Row (left to right): **Paul Moulden**, **Trevor Morley**, **Wayne Biggins**, **Nigel Gleghorn**, **John Deehan**, **Andy Hinchcliffe**, **Ian Scott**. Middle Row: **Mel Machin** (Manager), **Brian Gayle**, **Dave White**, **Andy Dibble**, **Mark Seagraves**, **Paul Lake**, **Roy Bailey** (Physio), **Jimmy Frizzell** (General Manager). Front Row: **Neil McNab**, **Paul Simpson** (now at Oxford United), **Steve Redmond** (Captain), **Ian Brightwell**, **Jason Beckford**.

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# FIRST TEAM

# UPDATE

1988-89 SEASON

## BARCLAYS FOOTBALL LEAGUE DIVISION ONE 1988-89

HOME											AWAY										
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## APPEARANCES AND GOALSCORERS (1988/89)

	League		Littlewoods Cup	
	Aps	Gls	Aps	Gls
Ian Allinson	1(2)	-	-	-
Kingsley Black	14	5	3	-
Tim Breacker	2(1)	-	(2)	-
Gary Cobb	-	-	-	-
Mal Donaghy	6	-	2	-
John Dreyer	8	-	3	-
Steve Foster	14	1	3	-
Ashley Grimes	4	-	-	-
Mick Harford	12	1	2	-
Richard Harvey	1	-	-	-
Ricky Hill	9	-	3	1
Julian James	-	-	1	-
Marvin Johnson	8	-	1	-
Rob Johnson	12(1)	-	2	1
Darron McDonough	1(1)	-	-	-
David Oldfield	11(3)	1	3	1
David Preece	4	-	-	-
Les Sealey	14	-	3	-
Roy Wegerle	7(4)	3	1	-
Steve Williams	10	-	3	-
Danny Wilson	14	3	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	4-1	9,308	16	Sealey
Nov 26	Norwich City	2-2	13,541	15	Sealey
Nov 29	Manchester City (LC4)				
Dec 3	Newcastle United				
Dec 10	Derby County				
Dec 17	Aston Villa				
Dec 26	Tottenham Hotspur (11.30 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 (FAC 5)				
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 (FACs/f)				
Apr 22	Newcastle United				
Apr 29	Derby County				
May 6	West Ham United				
May 13	Norwich City				
May 14	F.A. Cup Final				

© The Football League FAC = F.A. Cup ( ) indicates player substituted

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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	Foster <sup>1</sup>	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	Oldfield <sup>1</sup>	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)	Harford <sup>1</sup>	Hill	Black	[RW]/TB
(R. Johnson)	Dreyer	Williams	Foster	Donaghy	D. Wilson	Oldfield	Harford	Hill <sup>1</sup>	Black	[TB]/IA
(R. Johnson)	Dreyer	(McDonough)	Foster	M. Johnson	D. Wilson <sup>1P</sup>	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	Wilson <sup>1</sup>	Oldfield <sup>1</sup>	Wegerle	Hill	Black	IA/AG
(J. James)	Dreyer	Williams	Foster	M. Johnson	Wilson <sup>1</sup>	Wegerle	Oldfield	Hill	Black	[RJ]/AG
R. Johnson	Grimes	(Williams)	Foster	M. Johnson	Wilson	Wegerle	Harford	Hill	Black	[RW]/JJ
R. Johnson	Grimes	Preece	Foster	M. Johnson	Wilson <sup>1</sup>	Wegerle <sup>1</sup>	Harford	Oldfield	Black <sup>2</sup>	RH/IS
R. Johnson	Harvey	Preece	Foster	M. Johnson	Wilson	Wegerle <sup>2</sup>	Harford	Oldfield	Black	JD/IA

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  - 2 Rob Johnson
  - 3 Ashley Grimes
  - 4 David Preece
  - 5 Steve Foster
  - 6 Marvin Johnson
  - 7 Danny Wilson
  - 8 Roy Wegerle 11
  - 9 Mick Harford
  - 10 David Oldfield 1
  - 11 Kingsley Black
- Subs

## Manchester City 1

- 1 Andy Dibble
  - 2 Mark Seagraves
  - 3 Andy Hinchcliffe
  - 4 Brian Gayle
  - 5 Ian Brightwell
  - 6 Steve Redmond
  - 7 David White
  - 8 Paul Moulden
  - 9 Trevor Morley
  - 10 Neil McNab
  - 11 Wayne Biggins
- Subs

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