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TOTTENHAM HOTSPUR v NOTTINGHAM FOREST

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TO WHITEHART LANE



GARY MABBUTT



GOOD morning - and welcome back after the festivities. We also welcome Luton Town to White Hart Lane for a Boxing Day encounter that promises a good deal.

The last meeting between the two clubs on this ground was back in May as we ended the season with a 2-1 win. Steve Hodge fired us ahead on the half-hour despite goalkeeper Andy Dibble blocking his first shot and Ashley Grimes levelled for the Hatters six minutes later.

THRILLING FASHION

Skipper Gary Mabbutt netted the winner in thrilling fashion early in the second half with a superb volley which allowed us to make up for a 2-0 defeat at Kenilworth Road earlier in the season when Ian Allison scored both goals.

Our last game here saw Millwall visit White Hart Lane for the first time in Division One and depart empty handed as we produced a memorable performance to secure a deserved 2-0 win. Indeed, with more luck in front of goal, it could have been an even greater margin of victory.

Paul Walsh had already flashed one header wide and seen another effort kicked off the line before Chris Waddle stepped up to open the scoring with a searing long-range drive that dipped over goalkeeper Brian Horne and crashed in off the crossbar.

The goal came in the 18th minute and we continued to dominate without adding to that advantage until the 61st minute when Paul Stewart was brought down on the edge of the box and Paul Gascoigne produced one of his patented curling free-kicks into the back of the net before the Millwall defenders even sensed the danger.

Last Saturday we again produced an impressive performance to return from Upton Park with a 2-0 win over West Ham United.

Gazza was in inspired form - until an ankle injury forced him off at half-time - and, in

FRONT COVER PICTURE - Euro Spurs Nayim (left), Erik Thorstvedt and Gudni Bergsson meet up at Chase Lodge.

addition to going close to scoring himself, he set up a succession of good chances for others.

Yet it was captain Gary Mabbutt who created and scored our opening goal in the 23rd minute. Winning the ball on the edge of our area, he then raced forward to volley past goalkeeper Allen McKnight after Chris Waddle and Paul Walsh had continued the move.

Fellow defender Mitchell Thomas then tied up the points in the 68th minute when Paul Walsh set up the chance for him to finish well from way out.

Goalkeeper Bobby Mimms made a succession of crucial and impressive saves to keep the Hammers at bay, particularly to keep out shots from Paul Ince and Alan Devonshire.

Congratulations to young substitutes Mark Robson - who made his senior debut - and John Polston who returned to first team action after surgery on his back last season.

CUP OMEN

Our F.A. Cup third round tie against Bradford City will be played at Valley Parade on Saturday, January 7. Hopefully, there is a good omen in the fact that we defeated City 4-0 here in the second round in 1920-21 we went on to lift the trophy. Jimmy Seed scored a hat-trick that afternoon.

Our home fixture with Nottingham Forest, due to be played on Saturday, January 14, has now been scheduled for Sunday, January 15.

BLUE DEVILS

Don't forget to arrive early for our match against Newcastle on Saturday, 31st December, as we have the Brunswick Marching Blue Devils from Ohio performing on the pitch at 2pm. The Blue Devils are the biggest marching band in America, so make it a date!



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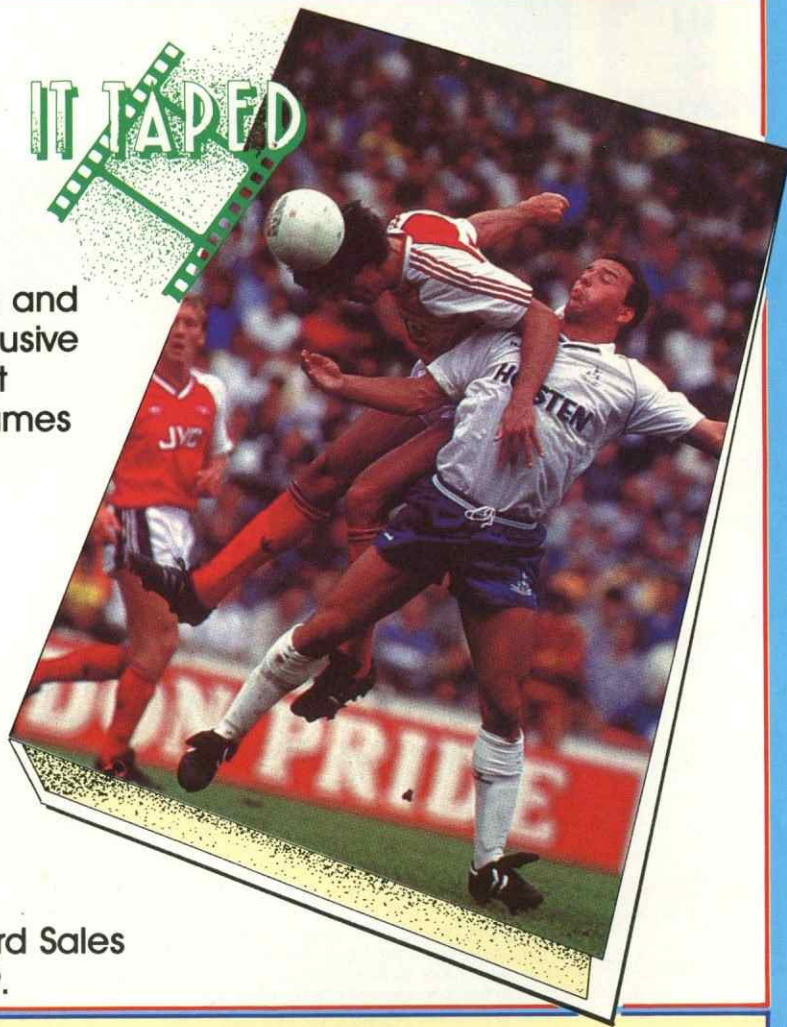
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Terry Venables

GOOD morning to all and welcome to Luton Town for what promises to be an entertaining Boxing Day fixture.

This game again gives us the opportunity to test our recent revival and we do so in good heart on the back of a good League run. Our only recent League defeat came at Everton and that was a travesty on our performance that day.

I am continually asked if we have now turned the corner and all that I can do is point out that we are playing better - up to now. We can't start saying that we have done it because that, in this game, is an invitation for a kick in the teeth.

We have got to keep working very hard and try to reach the level of performance we have achieved of late. We are improving all round as a team but I'll admit that, in the early days of the season, we had some very good parts but also possessed some aspects that were not too clever.

What we have done is to main-

tain the positive aspects of our play and worked hard on the other side. A new team is bound to throw up weaknesses and when you get one right another pops up and then another. We are starting to click but we can't sit back in the belief that we have cracked it. We've got to do it all again with every game.

Strangely enough, the flak we took from all quarters up to a few weeks ago has united the lads and fused an impressive bond of solidarity in the dressing room. Confidence is flying and that, plus our never-say-die spirit, means that we are prepared to battle all the way to the final whistle.

Yet, in every game we are up against sides who are also working hard for their own ends. Each match is not just there for us to do well in - they represent situations where opponents are determined to stop us so we must consistently produce 100% to achieve the rewards that we want.

The present situation in the League table makes every game a

blinder because a few defeats can take you to the bottom and a few wins will put you right up there with the leaders. With three points for a win, every team can do both - not just us - because it's all so very close. Normally, by this stage of the season, the placings are much more stretched out but I predict that this season will go all the way to the last.

For every side, the next half dozen games will be very interesting. We're all in the same position and we've all got it all to do.

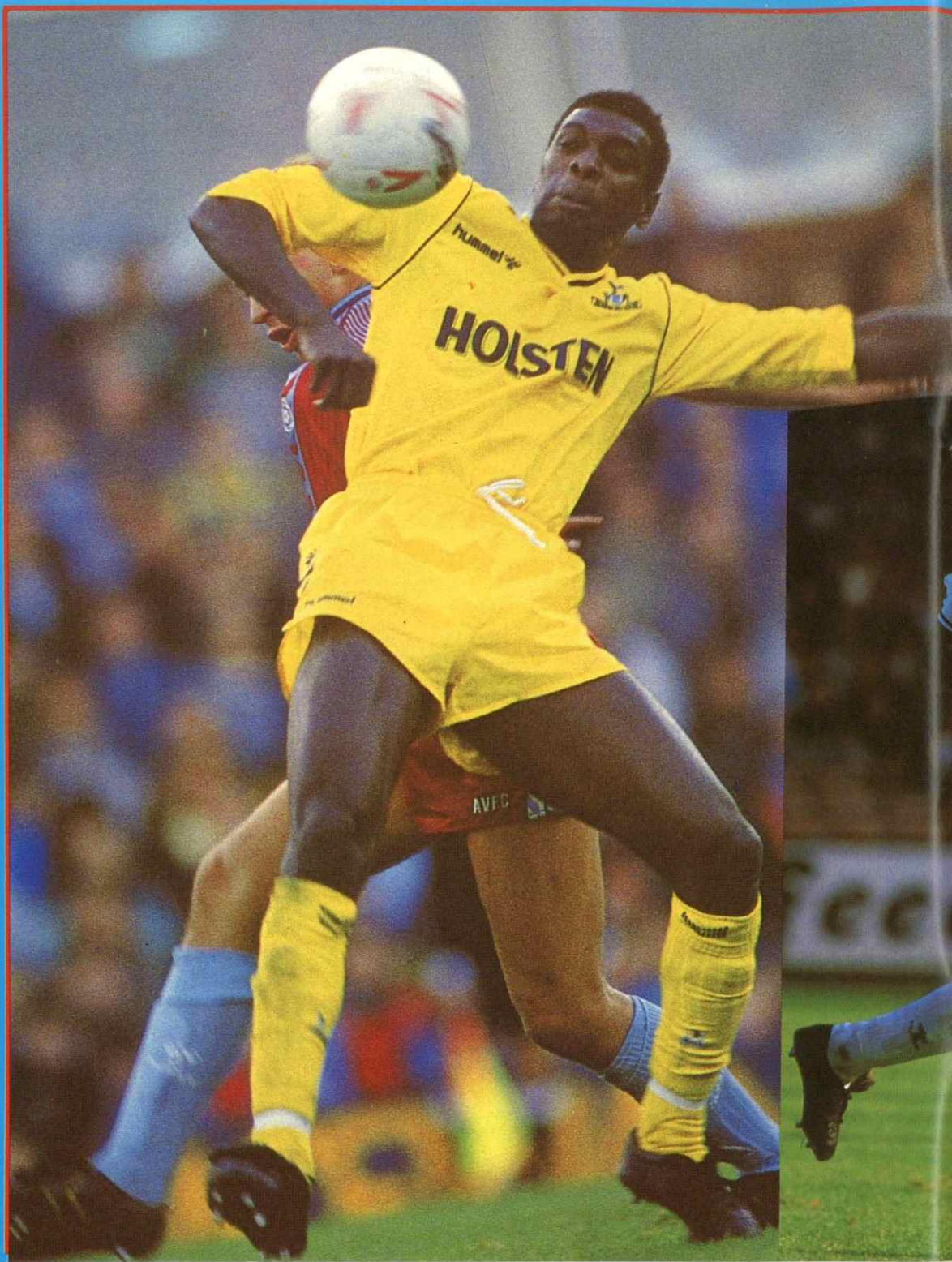
Another aspect of our play that has been highlighted in the media has been the steel and determination running through recent performances. Hard work and competition are not dirty words. Lots of teams rely on those qualities and are very successful with it. As I've said before, we must first earn the right to play our football and if you don't put that hard work in, then you have no chance. You get eaten alive.

We must be able to compete in a fair manner and that is what we are doing. I would never complain about facing that sort of competition, as long as it's fair and within the rules of the game.

Hopefully, you have all had a good Christmas and we look forward to seeing you all here again on New Year's Eve when we play Newcastle. That should be quite a game for Paul Gascoigne!

In closing, a very sincere thank you from all the players and myself for your excellent support throughout the past year. You have stuck with us through thick and thin and we all appreciate that. Stay with us throughout 1989 - we'll be doing all we can to make it a special year!

Happy New Year.



Mitchell Thomas will always retain fond memories of Luton Town, the club that moulded his early career and set him up for life in the First Division.

The stylish left-back joined Spurs from Kenilworth Road in August, 1986, and there have been many media suggestions since that he would be on the move again. Mitch takes it all in his long stride: "If you started to take too much notice of what you read in the newspapers, you would go mad," he grins.

PROMISING YOUNGSTER

Mitchell, who still lives in Luton, has come a long way since the early days as a £25 a week trainee at Kenilworth Road. In fact, he was one of the first lads to take advantage of the new government-supported scheme which enabled soccer clubs to take on promising youngsters and was an outstanding success.

He was first spotted by Luton playing for the district's schools side and they continued to monitor his progress when he moved up into the Bedfordshire county team.

Yet, when he followed manager David Pleat from Luton that summer, Mitchell was under no illusions. Indeed, he had a deserved reputation as a consistent performer but he still had it all to do.

"In this game, you have to prove yourself in every match," he says. "There is no way you can let your standards slip for a moment because there are so many talented players queueing up to take your place – or else the manager can go out and buy somebody else."

"It's a continual challenge but, as far as I'm concerned, it is just great to have reached this level and I'm just out to improve as much as I can."

Mitchell agrees that having the former Luton contingent with him helped him settle during those early days at White Hart Lane. But he quickly became an integral part of the whole scene.

"I was accepted straight away and made to feel at home," he recalls. "I was happy enough at Luton, enjoyed my time there and am grateful for the help I received. But I could not resist the chance to join Spurs when it came along."

"You have to be prepared to stand up for yourself when you reach this level," he says, "and I think I have proved I can do that."

"At a big club like Spurs, second-best will just not do. Everybody worth their salt as a professional wants to play for England and I'm no exception. But first of all you have to prove yourself at club level and that is always the first target."

Mitchell, meanwhile, believes that playing in the Terry Venables sweeper-system has given him a new dimension to his game.

He says: "Although a full-back's job is first and foremost to defend, there is also the responsibility of setting up attacks and joining in forward movements."

"I've always loved the chance to get forward and have a crack at goal or maybe setting up somebody else to have a shot, so three at the back, allowing both full-backs to get involved in midfield suits me ideally," adds Mitchell who scored our second at West Ham last Saturday.

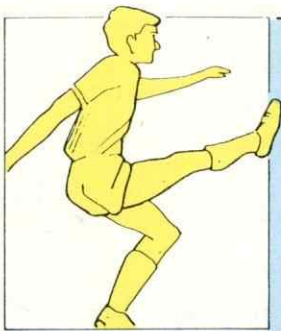
OPTIONS REDUCED

"Although the sweeper system aims to cut down the number of options the other side has in your half of the field, it is not purely a defensive tactic – not by a long way."

"The two marking players in the middle have definite roles to fill, but the sweeper and the two full backs get a lot more freedom. That means, on a good day, the entire team has more freedom to express itself as well."

Adapted from the Spurs '89 annual which is packed with interviews with all your favourite players. On sale at the Spurs Shop and all good book shops at £4.50.

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Congratulations to Paul Stewart and Vinny Samways who collected three prestigious awards between them recently.

Paul is pictured with the *Shoot!*/Adidas golden boot award for finishing joint top scorer in the Second Division last season. And he also picked up the *Evening Standard* 'Footballer of the Month' award for November.

Vinny was named Barclays 'Young Eagle' for London and East Anglia and received his inscribed silver salver before our game with Millwall.

AWARD WINNERS



Festive Fun



Early arrivals for our last game here will have enjoyed the superb discipline of the Pathfinders Alsatian Dog Display Team which formed part of our pre-match entertainment.

The dogs presented an impressive routine before Father Christmas made a welcome appearance with presents for younger fans while the children from Latymer All Saints Primary School, Edmonton, sang carols.





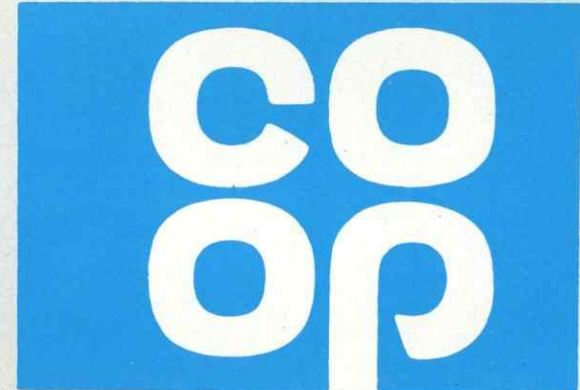
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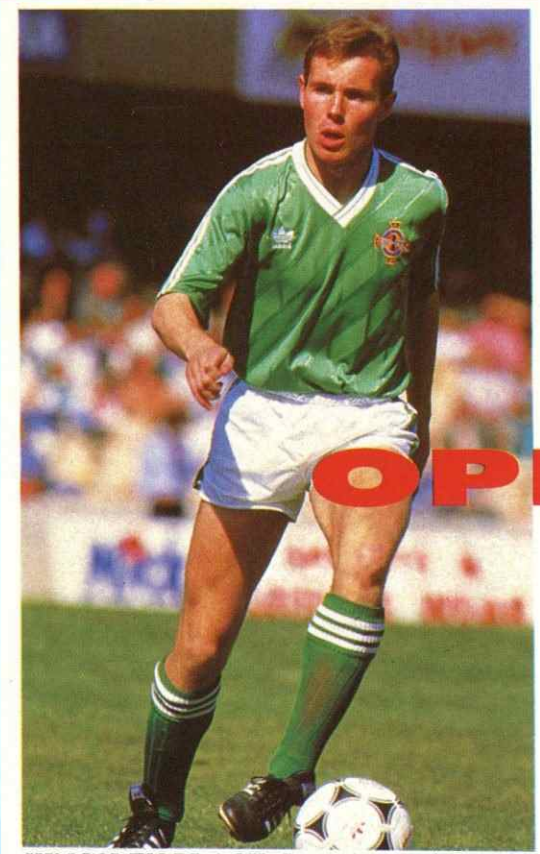
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KINGSLEY BLACK

VIEW OPPOSING

KINGSLEY BLACK, Luton's speedy, skilful left-winger, is keen for a change in his fortunes against Spurs at White Hart Lane today.

Kingsley, 20, says, "I've played in reserve games at White Hart Lane and lost every time, so I'm hoping to reverse that record today."

Kingsley missed Luton's most recent visit to White Hart Lane when goals by Steve Hodge and Gary Mabbutt gave us a 2-1 win in our final game of the 1987-88 season.

Maybe that was just as well for Spurs, judging by the dramatic impact Kingsley had been making in the preceding weeks.

Kingsley, Luton born-and-bred, first hit the headlines with a brilliant performance in Luton's 3-2 Littlewoods Cup final victory over our north London neighbours Arsenal back in April.

Kingsley says: "That was the highlight of what has been a marvellous year for me. When we went 2-1 down and then Arsenal were awarded a penalty, I thought that was it. Then Andy Dibble saved Nigel Winterburn's kick. After that we fought back and I'm proud to say I had a hand - or rather a foot - in laying on the equaliser for Danny Wilson."

That performance led to an amazing tug-of-war for his services between England manager

Bobby Robson and Billy Bingham of Northern Ireland, for whom Kingsley qualifies through his father's family.

He says: "It was one of the toughest decisions I have ever had to make. In the end I chose Northern Ireland because I thought I would get more of a chance in Billy Bingham's squad."

Kingsley duly made his international bow just four days after that Wembley victory, as a substitute in a friendly against France in Belfast. He has since been a regular in the side, and was hoping to win his fifth cap in last week's World Cup qualifier against Spain in Seville.

His League form has gone from strength to strength since then as well, notably when he scored two top-quality goals in Luton's 4-1 win against West Ham United at Kenilworth Road last month.

Not surprisingly, Tottenham's style of play appeals greatly to Luton's talented winger. He says: "The Spurs team and Terry Venables have taken a lot of stick this season, but I think they always try to play attractive football."

"It's such a pleasure to meet players of quality like Paul Gascoigne and Chris Waddle, and I'm also pleased that Spurs seem to be giving young players like Vinny Samways and David Howells a chance."

Everyone at today's match will be hoping for a Boxing Day game to remember. With players like Kingsley Black on view, we should not be disappointed.



TRUE BEACON OF OPTIMISM

PAUL MORAN'S climb to the First Division is an example of hope for any talented schoolboy player nurturing the dream of one day pulling on the famous white shirt.

Still Remembers

Striker Paul, who was 20 last May, still remembers – and always will – the red-letter day his teacher at Albany School in Enfield told him he was one of three boys chosen to take part in a trial at Tottenham when the club were looking to add to their complement of YTS trainees.

Paul recalls: "I was soon to leave school and really didn't have much idea of what I would do. Working in a sports shop was a possibility although of course, I always dreamed of how marvellous it would be to play football for a living – particularly for Spurs, the club I've always followed.

"When my teacher told me that I was one of three boys at the school picked out by Tottenham to have trials, I could hardly believe it. But I gave it everything, naturally, even though I didn't consider I had any better chance of

being taken on than the other two lads who I thought were just as good as me. "But the club obviously saw something in me and I was offered the YTS place. I don't have to tell you how I felt do I! I was absolutely thrilled."

Thrilled

Tottenham's judgement in selecting Paul from all the hundreds of youngsters who are given a chance to become a Spurs trainee – they used to be called apprentices before the new government-backed scheme was introduced – has been fully vindicated of course.

He has remained firmly in manager Terry Venables' plans this season and has been widely acclaimed in the media as a real star of the future despite the competition at White Hart Lane.

"I don't mind that kind of challenge because I know that if I produce the goods I'll get every chance of a run in the team. At Tottenham everybody in the squad is treated as equal and if you get in the team, you are there on merit. That's all you can ask."

PAUL MORAN



DAY BY DAY

D I A R Y



JULY 1988:

- 18: Roy Wegerle signs from Chelsea for £75,000.
- 19: Goalkeeper Alec Chamberlain is signed for £150,000 from Everton.
- 27: Arsenal's Steve Williams signs for a club record £300,000.

AUGUST:

- 24: Luton sell striker Mark Stein to QPR for £300,000.
- 27: The season begins with a 1-0 defeat away at Sheffield Wednesday.

SEPTEMBER:

- 3: A goal by Kingsley Black and an own goal by Vaughan Ryan give Luton a 2-2 draw at home to Wimbledon.
- 10: Steve Foster scores the only goal in a 2-1 defeat at Southampton.
- 14: Mick Harford wins his second England cap against Denmark at Wembley. Black and Danny Wilson play for Northern Ireland against Eire in the World Cup.
- 17: Luton lose 2-0 at home to Manchester United watched by an 11,010 crowd.
- 24: A fine 2-0 victory away at Everton with goals by David Oldfield and Black.
- 27: Burnley draw 1-1 in the Littlewoods Cup second round first-leg at Kenilworth Road. Rob Johnson scores the much-needed goal for holders Luton.

OCTOBER:

- 1: A goalless draw at Nottingham Forest.
- 8: Harford rejoices as his first goal of the season beats mighty Liverpool 1-0 at Kenilworth Road.
- 11: A goal by Ricky Hill puts Burnley out of the Littlewoods Cup as Luton win 1-0 at Turf Moor. Defender Mal Donaghy is transferred to Manchester United for £650,000.
- 19: Wilson and Black win

their 10th and fourth international caps respectively in Northern Ireland's World Cup defeat in Hungary.

- 22: Luton lose 2-1 at Middlesbrough. Wilson converts a penalty for Luton's consolation.

25: Black scores as Luton draw 1-1 with Arsenal at home.

29: No goals as Luton play QPR at home.

NOVEMBER:

2: Leeds become Luton's next victim as they push on in the Littlewoods Cup. Goals by Wilson and Oldfield despatch the home team at Elland Road, but Luton have Julian James sent off.

5: Wilson scores a consolation goal as Luton go down 3-1 at Millwall.

12: Luton lose 1-0 at Coventry.

19: West Ham are hammered 4-1 at Kenilworth Road with two goals by Black and further goals by Wegerle and Harford.

26: Luton acquit themselves well with two goals by Wegerle to draw 2-2 with League leaders Norwich City at Carrow Road.

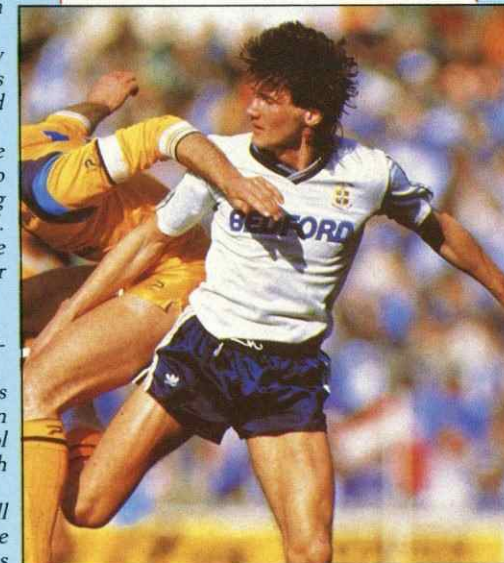
29: Despite an early goal by Manchester City, Luton win 3-1 at home in the Littlewoods Cup with goals by Oldfield and Wegerle (two).

DECEMBER:

3: No score by either side as Luton play Newcastle United at home. Luton are drawn away to Millwall in the F.A. Cup Third Round.

10: Harford beats Peter Shilton for Luton to gain a 1-0 victory at Derby County.

17: A heartbreaking own goal by defender Marvin Johnson denies Luton victory at home to Aston Villa. Wegerle's sixth goal in as many matches puts Luton in the driving seat shortly before half-time, but that is cancelled out by Johnson's 25-yard lob past his own 'keeper.



Mick Harford

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Mark Robson made his League debut when he was still only 17. That was for Exeter City in the Fourth Division and he had a dream start. Exeter beat Lincoln City 2-0 and Mark scored one of the goals.

Born in East London, he moved to Devon to join the Fourth Division club on a two-year apprenticeship in 1985. After a year, he was upgraded to professional status and made around 26 appearances for the first team scoring seven goals.

GOOD FORM

That form convinced us to bring him to White Hart Lane before the start of the season. He was drafted into the reserve squad and managed 19 combination appearances. But things were not going well for him.

"I found it really difficult to settle down at first," he remembers. "Coming from a tiny club like Exeter to a club like Spurs, which is one of the largest in the world, was a bit of a shock to the system.

"I didn't have a good season," he continues. "I only managed to score one goal, I didn't feel I was playing well and I lost all my confidence."

That confidence was soon restored by a loan period to struggling Reading, then of the Second Division. He went there hoping to save them from the drop to Division Three and, on that count, he failed; but he took a lot of credit for his six first team appearances.

Looking back on that troubled season he appreciates how much the time at Reading did for him.

"I held my own in the Second Division, which was very satisfying," he says. "There had been times when I wondered if leaving Exeter had been the right decision; but now I can see what coming to a big club like Spurs has done for me and I'm convinced I was right."

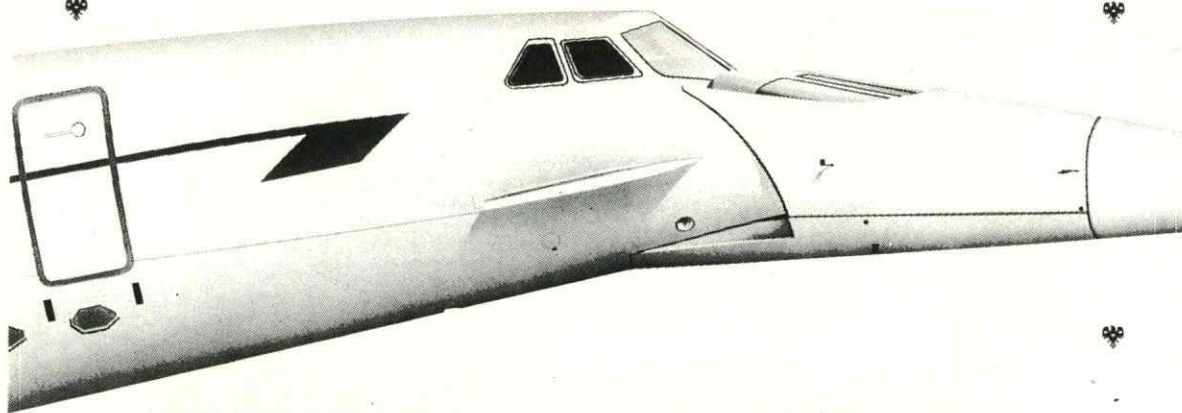
DEBUT

This season he has been turning out for the reserves, scoring regularly and knocking on the first team door. He was substitute for our recent game here against Millwall and finally made his senior debut late in our game at West Ham United when he replaced Paul Walsh.

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IN THE WINGS



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**COMMERCIAL
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BY MIKE ROLLO**



As revealed last Monday, our main sponsors for the last five years, Holsten Distributors Ltd., have signed a new three-year agreement.

The association between Tottenham Hotspur Football Club and Holsten Distributors Ltd. has been extremely successful and we are delighted that this bond will continue for another three years. The package that Holsten receive as main sponsors include: Advertising on the players' shirts and tracksuits, pitch perimeter advertising boards and Executive Box and individual match sponsorship at White Hart Lane. Over the years we have made many friends with the employees and guests of Holsten and we look forward to continuing our association.



There has been plenty of Christmas spirit on your favourite phone-in programme over the last few days and the festive fun continues after today's game when Spursline gives you a match report plus interviews. Coming up in the next few days are many contributions on Spursline including a reflective look back on 1988 with skipper Gary Mabbutt. Keep dialling 0898 100 500 for all the news and more from the Club you adore. So in 1989 don't forget, from time to time, to ring your favourite Spursline!

• THE MILLWALL SUCCESS •

The Millwall match on Saturday, 10th December proved not only to be a success on the pitch but also behind the scenes in our Sponsors Lounge. Davenport Ltd./Ician Communications Group made their debut as match sponsors and it was their nomination for the man of the match award, Chris Waddle, who is pictured receiving his gift from Davenports' David Ley (left) and Ician Communications' Peter Hewitt.

Today's Boxing Day sponsors are the Enfield and St. Albans Co-Op. We welcome all their guests and hope they have an enjoyable day.

This is the final Commercial Page of 1988 so we would like to take this opportunity of thanking all companies who have sponsored matches at White Hart Lane this season and also wish everyone, who has utilised the facilities available for match day entertainment, a very happy and successful New Year.



Last Thursday, hundreds of Junior Spurs members attended the Junior Spurs Christmas Open Day at White Hart Lane. They were treated to a display of ball skills and a training session by the entire first team squad conducted by manager, Terry Venables and his assistant Allan Harris. Spursline's John Motson was on hand to commentate on the proceedings. Those Junior Spurs members who had returned their lucky voucher received Spurs goodie bags as gifts from the Club.

**Junior
Spurs
Open
Day**

Commented Junior Spurs President and, of course, Spurs skipper Gary Mabbutt: "It was a super morning, the lads thoroughly enjoyed the atmosphere and it was great meeting our young supporters".

CHRISTMAS TOYS APPEAL

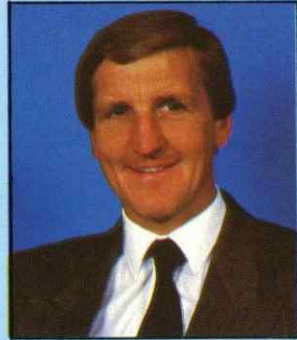
On the front page and elsewhere in the Millwall programme there were pictures showing the players visiting Edgware General Hospital. Since then the players have visited the following hospitals: Chase Farm in Enfield, North Middlesex Hospital, Barnet General Hospital and Whittington Hospital in Highgate Hill.

Many of the children at these hospitals, plus hundreds of fortunate supporters before our last home match before Christmas, received toys which were donated by the following companies: Eros/Overmoon Ltd., AF & S Baker, Primeline Ltd., Toy Box Shop and Ross of Hackney.

At this time of year giving takes on more meaning than receiving so we would like to pass on thanks to the above toy companies from all the happy children who received their generous gifts.

By LESLIE YATES

VISITORS



THE MANAGER

Luton Town have been managed by Ray Harford since June, 1987, when he was offered the post vacated by John Moore.

Ray, a Yorkshireman from Halifax, has proved a good choice for the job. As coach to Luton, he already had a detailed knowledge of the playing staff at Kenilworth Road, and this made his promotion to manager smoother than it otherwise might have been.

A man of several clubs, Ray's varied experience in the lower reaches of the League has given him a deep insight into the ways and attitudes of footballers and a good sense of values. A half-back, he played for Charlton Athletic, Exeter City, Lincoln City, Mansfield Town, Port Vale and Colchester United.

He became coach to Colchester and later filled the same post for Fulham under the management of Malcolm Macdonald. That was a step towards the managerial job he later filled at Fulham.

LES SEALEY (Goalkeeper). Transferred to Luton from Coventry City in August, 1983. He's a Londoner from Bethnal Green and a cousin of Alan Sealey, the former West Ham United winger. Les developed through the apprentice ranks at Coventry, and had made his debut away to Queens Park Rangers in April, 1977. Back in season 1984-85 he played six League matches on loan to Plymouth Argyle.

MARVIN JOHNSON (Defender). First appeared in League football for Luton last season, making his First Division debut in the No. 5 shirt away to Wimbledon in March of this year. Marvin developed through the apprentice ranks at Kenilworth Road and was upgraded to professional in November, 1986. He was born at Wembley.

RICHARD HARVEY (Defender). A 19-year-old who was born at Letchworth in Hertfordshire and has developed steadily in the apprentice ranks at Kenilworth Road. He first appeared in Luton's League team in the No. 3 shirt at home to Queens Park Rangers in November, 1986. He's been a full professional since January, 1987.

STEVE FOSTER (Defender). A key figure at centre-half, and a powerful influence on the rest of the team. He was transferred to Luton from Aston Villa in November, 1984. Born at Portsmouth, he developed through the apprentice ranks of the Portsmouth club to full professional status, and later joined Brighton and Hove Albion. He attained full international status as a Brighton player, making three appearances for England, and was in Brighton's F.A. Cup final team with our own Gary Stevens in 1983. He left

Brighton for Villa in March, 1984.

JOHN DREYER (Defender). Joined Luton from Oxford United last June. He was introduced to First Division football two seasons ago by Oxford after playing for Wallingford Town. He's been a full contract professional since January, 1985. Born at Alnwick.

ASHLEY GRIMES (Defender). A full Eire international, who was born in Dublin and made his name with Manchester United. Previously, he had played for the Bohemians, who transferred him to the Old Trafford club in March, 1977. He left United for Coventry City in August, 1983 and made the further move to Luton in August, 1984.

IAN SCOTT (Midfield). A 20-year-old who was born in Luton and is therefore another of the club's home products. Has come through the apprentice ranks at Kenilworth Road.

DAVID PREECE (Midfield). Born at Bridgnorth and established himself as a League player with Walsall. Developed through the apprentice ranks at Walsall, making 111 League appearances for the Staffordshire club before moving to Luton in December 1984.

ROB JOHNSON (Midfield). He was drafted into Luton's League team three seasons ago and has since established himself as a First Divi-

sion player. He was born at neighbouring Bedford and can therefore be classed as a local discovery. He was signed as a full contract professional in August, 1985 and has made rapid progress.

DANNY WILSON (Midfield). Transferred from Brighton and Hove Albion to Luton in July, 1987. He's a well-travelled player with varied experience acquired in the service of a number of clubs. He was born in Wigan and started his career with Bury, for whom he made 90 League appearances before signing for Chesterfield. After playing in 100 League games for Chesterfield, he joined Nottingham Forest and later signed for Brighton. At one time he was a loan player with Scunthorpe United. He's a full Northern Ireland international.

RICKY HILL (Midfield). A full English international, who was born in London and developed through Luton's apprentice ranks to achieve full professional status in May 1976. At that time he had already made his League debut as a substitute in a home match with Bristol Rovers in the preceding month. He celebrated that debut with a goal in a 3-1 win. Has made three appearances in the full England team.

MICK HARFORD (Forward). A full England international who joined Luton from Birmingham City in December 1984. He had joined

Birmingham from Bristol City in an unusual "three club" deal just before the deadline for transfers in March, 1982. He had signed for the Bristol club from Newcastle United in August, 1981 and it was necessary for him to be registered again with the Tyne-siders before the transfer to Birmingham could be completed. He was born in Sunderland and started his League career with Lincoln City.

DAVID OLDFIELD (Forward). He's a 20-year-old from Perth in Australia who came to England as a child with his family and was introduced to first-team football by Luton last season. He was groomed in the apprentice ranks at Luton and was upgraded to full professional in May, 1986.

ROY WEGERLE (Forward). A newcomer to the Luton colours this season, his transfer was secured from Chelsea in July. He was born in South Africa but his club before Chelsea was Tampa Bay Rowdies in the United States. Made 23 League appearances with Chelsea and seven with Swindon Town while on loan from Stamford Bridge last season.

IAIN DOWIE (Forward). Luton paid a substantial transfer fee to Hendon, the Vauxhall Opel League club, for his services just before Christmas. Iain had scored 27 goals for Hendon this season, and he is regarded as a first-class prospect.

Back Row: David Preece, Mark Stein, Gary Cobb, Ian Allinson, Richard Harvey, Kingsley Black, Rob Johnson.

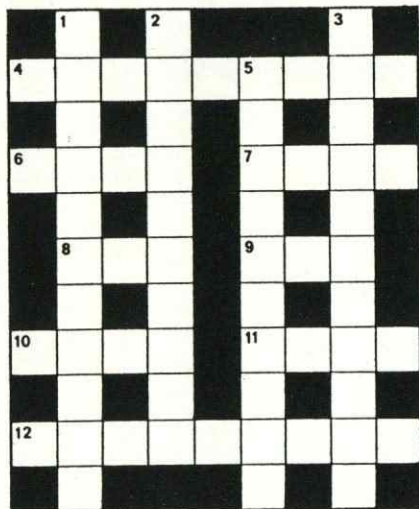
Middle Row: David Galley (Physio), John Faulkner (Coach), Roy Wegerle, John Dreyer, David Oldfield, Les Sealey, Mick Harford, Alec Chamberlain, Marvin Johnson, Ashley Grimes, Darron McDonough, Jim Ryan (Coach).

Front Row: Steve Williams, Danny Wilson, Steve Foster (Captain), Ray Harford (Manager), Mal Donaghy, Ricky Hill, Tim Breacker.



LUTON TOWN

WORD



ACROSS

- Britain's Mike Hazelwood has often won titles by standing on them (5-4)
- Nigerian boxer - Tiger was a world champion three times, two of his titles coming at different weights (4)
- A pinned judo-player should not be able to do so (4)
- Athletics includes a - thousand metre race (3)
- In golf, a deliberate swing which misses the ball is called an - shot and counted as one stroke (3)
- Club which Preston North End beat on their way to the 1888 F.A. Cup final - but their record 26-0 score remains unbeaten in England (4)
- Surname of two England cricketers: father Fred and son Maurice (4)
- He and David Evans were a famous duo of impressionists who simultaneously 'did' John Arlott in mock stereo (4,5)

DOWN

- Snooker-player known as 'The Silver Fox' (5,6)
- Ireland and British Lions hooker who was an international regular 1965-75 (his first name 'launches' his second) (3,7)
- This well-known Formula One motor-racing racing circuit is the current home of the British Grand Prix (11)
- 'Keeper who played nearly 600 League matches for Charlton - and missed out on another 200 because of World War 2! (3,7)

ANSWERS TO PUZZLE IN LAST PROGRAMME
ACROSS: 4. (Evonne) Goolagong; 6. Australia; 7. putts; 9. custodian; 11. ski-racers. **DOWN:** 1. toss-up; 2. Parry Thomas; 3. bowl; 4. goal-kicks; 5. goal-lines; 8. spider; 10. skid.



HELPING THE GAME

The Football Trust receives £9 million annually from the Spotting-the-Ball competition run by Littlewoods, Vernons and Zettlers 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 Toxteth; 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 £1.5 million to build or improve family and disabled facilities at League grounds during 1988.

AWAY TRAVEL - ARSENAL

Routes: From North: Exit M1 junction 2 following City signs. After Holloway Road Station (6¼ miles) third left into Drayton Park, after ¼ mile right into Aubert Park, second left into Avenell Road. From South: From London Bridge follow signs to Bank of England then Angel. Right at traffic-lights to Highbury roundabout (1 mile), into Holloway Road, then third right into Drayton Park (then as North). From West: Exit M4 Junction 1 towards Chiswick (A315), left after 1 mile (A40) to M41, then A40(M) to A501 Ring Road, turn left at Angel to Highbury roundabout (then as South).

Nearest Railway Station: Drayton Park/Finsbury Park..

Nearest Tube Station: Arsenal (Piccadilly) Adjacent.

Car Parking: Street Parking.

Entrances for Away Fans: Highbury Hill turnstiles.

Sections for Away Fans: South Terrace.

Memory Lane

5 years ago:

Plenty of goals in the North London derby at White Hart Lane but, though Graham Roberts and Steve Archibald scored for Spurs, we lost 2-4. Charlie Nicholas and Raphael Meade each scored twice for Arsenal.

Luton moved into third place in Division One after their splendid 3-0 win at Notts County. Trevor Aylott got two of the Hatters' goals, Ray Daniel netting the other.

10 years ago:

Goals from Colin Lee and Peter Taylor (penalty) earned us a 2-2 draw at Q.P.R. David Moss scored both goals in Luton's 2-0 win at Millwall in Division Two.

20 years ago:

Our game at Leicester, and Luton's home Third Division match against Watford, were both postponed because of the weather.

GOALS POWER LUTON TOWN

Luton's games are often won and lost during the middle part of the first-half. They score the largest percentage of their goals during this period - and they also concede more.

SCORE AT:	MINS		MINS			
	15	30	HT	60	75	FT
ARSENAL (H)	0-1	0-1	0-1	1-1	1-1	1-1
QUEENS PK R. (H)	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0
Leeds (a) LC	0-0	1-0	1-0	1-0	2-0	2-0
Millwall (a)	0-0	0-3	0-3	0-3	0-3	1-3
Coventry (a)	0-0	0-0	0-1	0-1	0-1	0-1
WEST HAM (H)	0-0	2-0	3-0	3-0	4-1	4-1
Norwich (a)	0-1	0-1	1-1	2-1	2-2	2-2
MAN CITY (H)	0-1	2-1	2-1	2-1	2-1	3-1
NEWCASTLE (H)	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0
Derby (a)	0-0	1-0	1-0	1-0	1-0	1-0

No. of goals scored between:						
1-15	16-30	31-45	46-60	61-75	76-90	
0	6	2	2	2	2	

No. of goals conceded between:						
1-15	16-30	31-45	46-60	61-75	76-90	
3	3	1	0	2	0	



DICKIE VALENTINE

MEMORY JERKER WILLIE MORGAN

It is obvious that a Boxing Day Memory Jerker is bound to feature a Christmas Number One Hit record from years gone by, and this morning we have the very first actual Chart-Topper that had a seasonal theme. DICKIE VALENTINE started 1955 at the top with "Finger of Suspicion", and ended it with "Christmas Alphabet". Ironically, he displaced, but was then replaced, at the top by Bill Haley's "Rock Around The Clock", and rest, as they say, is history. Dickie Valentine died in 1971.

Today's edition of the Spurs Memory Jerker, at around 11.15a.m. goes back to this week thirty three years ago, when on Christmas Eve we played host, like today, to Luton Town. Number One in the Charts that week, according to the Guinness Book of 500 Number One Hits (whom I thank for the photo) was DICKIE VALENTINE.

All the records I play at White Hart Lane are available from branches of OUR PRICE RECORDS, all over the country.

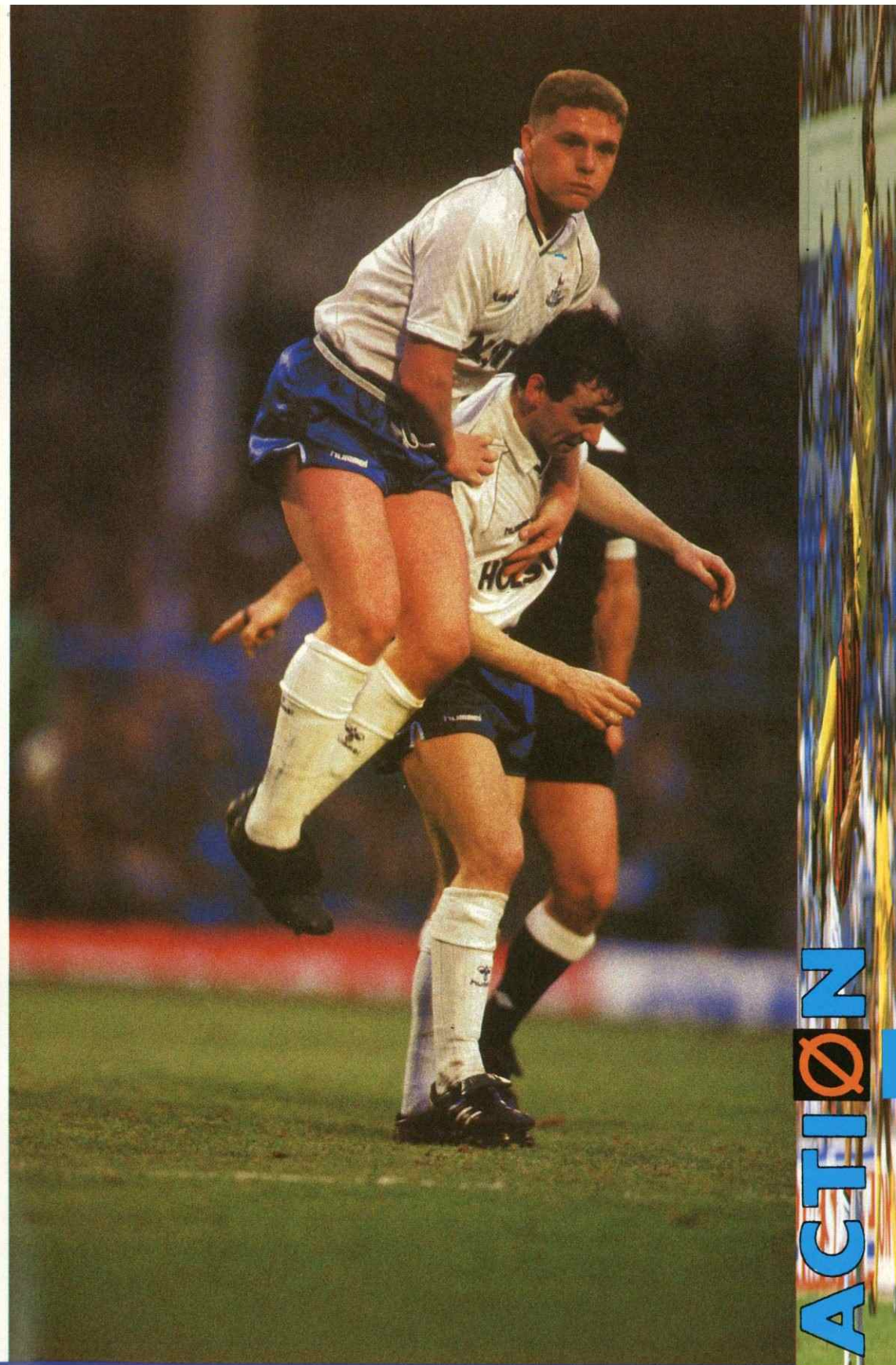
SNAP



ACTION
IMAGES




1. **PAUL STEWART** in dramatic aerial action during our 2-0 win over the Lions.
2. **CHRIS WADDLE**, scorer of our opening goal, leaves Terry Hurlock trailing.
3. **PAUL GASCOIGNE** celebrates his goal against Millwall with Paul Allen.



ACTION

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1988-89	Opponents	Att.	F	A
Sept. 3	Newcastle United	32,977	2	2
10	Arsenal	32,621	2	3
17	Liverpool	40,929	1	1
24	Middlesbrough	23,427	3	2
27	Notts County (LC2 1L)	9,269	1	1
Oct. 1	Manchester United	29,318	2	2
8	Charlton Athletic	14,384	2	2
11	Notts County (LC2 2L)	14,953	2	1
22	Norwich City	20,330	1	3
25	Southampton	19,517	1	2
29	Aston Villa	26,238	1	2
Nov. 5	Blackburn Rovers (LC3)	19,814	0	0
12	Blackburn Rovers (LC3R)	22,868	1	3
19	Wimbledon	17,357	1	2
9	Blackburn Rovers (LC3R)	12,965	2	1
12	Wimbledon	23,589	3	2
20	Sheffield Wednesday	15,386	2	0
23	Coventry City	21,961	1	1
26	Queens Park Rangers	26,698	2	2
30	Southampton (LC4)	17,357	1	2
Dec. 3	Everton	29,657	0	1
10	Millwall	27,660	2	0
17	West Ham United	28,365	2	0
26	Luton Town (k.o. 11.30am)			
31	Newcastle United			
Jan. 2	Arsenal			
7	Bradford City (FAC3)			
15	Nottingham Forest			
21	Middlesbrough			
28	F.A. Cup 4			
Feb. 4	Manchester United			
11	Charlton Athletic			
18	Norwich City (F.A. Cup 5)			
25	Southampton			
March 4	Aston Villa			
11	Derby County			
18	Coventry City (F.A. Cup 6)			
25	Liverpool			
27	Luton Town			
April 1	West Ham United			
8	Nottingham Forest			
15	Wimbledon (F.A. Cup S.F.)			
22	Everton			
29	Millwall			
May 6	Sheffield Wednesday			
13	Queens Park Rangers			
20	F.A. Cup Final			



MASCOT

The mascot for this morning's game is 11-year-old Dean Corroll from London, NW5, Dean attends Haverstock School, where he is captain of the school football team. He also plays for his local borough of Camden and Islington. His hobbies include football and watching television, his favourite programme being 'Saint and Greavsie'. Dean's favourite player here at White Hart Lane is Gary Mabbutt.

Saturday, December 10
JUNIORS - SECL Division Two
Tottenham Hotspur 3
Colchester United 2

The Juniors produced a good performance to gain maximum points against Colchester.
The visitors took the lead with an excellent free-kick but we battled back to equalise through Matthew Edwards. He met Scott Houghton's cross at the far post and took the ball inside the full-back to slot home.
We went ahead before the break with well-worked free-kick that David Tuttle converted.
The second half saw us play very well and despite more opportunities to score, we were unable to add to our tally. Colchester grabbed their second with just a few minutes to go.
Eldridge, Anton, Hall, Hackett, Turtle, Carmey, Houghton, Murray, Dang (Redknapp 65), Carey (Bence 60), Edwards.

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Norwich City	17	3	5	13
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Millwall	16	6	1	16
Derby County	16	4	2	11
Coventry City	17	4	2	11
Liverpool	17	2	5	9
Southampton	17	4	3	16
Everton	16	3	1	12
Nottingham Forest	17	1	5	7
Manchester United	17	3	4	11
Tottenham Hotspur	16	3	2	17
Sheffield Wednesday	16	3	2	7
Middlesbrough	17	5	2	14
Queens Park Rangers	17	4	1	3
Aston Villa	17	3	3	12
Luton Town	17	2	5	1
Charlton Athletic	17	1	4	4
Wimbledon	16	2	4	7
Newcastle United	17	2	3	4
West Ham United	17	1	3	5

OVENDEN PAPERS COMBINATION 1988-89

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Millwall	14	3	5	6
Ipswich Town	13	3	2	8
Queens Park R.	16	2	3	11
Portsmouth	16	3	1	12
Reading	17	1	2	14

TIMES PAST

By Andy Porter

Luton Town come to White Hart Lane this morning looking to improve their recent record here. Of their last 15 League visits they have won just once, back in November, 1985, when a 3-1 scoreline saw them gain a Division One win bonus here for the first time.

Mick Harford pounced to give the Hatters a first half lead which Brian Stein extended 18 minutes into the second period. Richard Cooke notched our goal after Mark Falco nodded on Chris Waddle's cross but Ricky Hill struck a ferocious right foot shot past Ray Clemence with little more than a minute remaining.

The result brought to an end our stranglehold over the Bedfordshire outfit which had seen us unbeaten by them in a dozen League and Cup meetings at home and away since 1959.

It was their first League win here since 1948 and the first time they had defeated us by more than a single goal - a feat they have achieved in each of the last two seasons.

The two teams here in 1985 were Tottenham: Clemence, Stevens, Hughton, Roberts, Mabbutt, Perryman, Crook (Cooke), Falco, Leworthy, Hoddle, Waddle.
Luton: Sealey, Breacker, Thomas, Nicholas, Foster, Donaghy, Hill, Stein, Harford, Nwajiobi, Preece.

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The only previous League fixture over the Christmas

period between the two clubs was here on the morning of Christmas Eve, 1955. We won 2-1 thanks to goals by Len Duquemin and Johnny Brooks, Gordon Turner supplying the visitors' second-half reply.

A 41,168 crowd saw Bobby Smith make his Spurs debut a few days after joining us from Chelsea.

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Luton provided the opposition for our final League match of last season which was played here on the evening of May 4.

Steve Hodge gave us the lead on 30 minutes in what was to be his - plus Clive Allen's and Johnny Metgod's - last appearance in our League side. His initial effort was saved by Andy Dibble but he was on hand to knock in the rebound. Ashley Grimes equalised six minutes later following a one-two with David Oldfield.

Skipper Gary Mabbutt netted our winning goal in the 53rd minute with a superbly struck half-volley from 25 yards for his second goal of the

season, his first coming on the campaign's opening day.

The sides that evening were Tottenham: Mimms, Statham, Thomas, Fenwick (Samways 46), Fairclough, Mabbutt, Allen C. (Gray 69), Allen P., Waddle, Metgod, Hodge.

Luton: Dibble, Breacker, Johnson, R. Wilson, Foster, Johnson, M. Nwajiobi, Oldfield, Allinson, Grimes, Preece (Cobb 71).

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Bill McCarty, a Scottish right back, was one of several players to turn out for both clubs in their Southern League days.

Standing 5ft. 10ins. and weighing in at 12st. his career started with Vale of Clyde, Third Lanark and Clyde in his native country before coming south to join Luton in 1900.

After just 15 League games he moved on to Nottingham Forest during the 1901 close season returning southward to New Brompton - now known as Gillingham - a year later. It was from the Kentish club that he came to Tottenham in May, 1904 as understudy to John Watson. His fellow Scot restricted him to just a dozen appearances in a Spurs shirt and in mid-1905 he joined the Hatters for a second spell. This time he amassed 148 Southern League appearances until retiring from senior football in 1910, aged 34.

THE LAST TEN

19.11.83	DIV. 1	A	17,275	W	4-2
14.04.84	DIV. 1	H	25,390	W	2-1
29.09.84	DIV. 1	H	30,204	W	4-2
02.02.85	DIV. 1	A	17,511	D	2-2
09.11.85	DIV. 1	H	19,163	L	1-3
12.04.86	DIV. 1	A	13,141	D	1-1
04.10.86	DIV. 1	H	22,738	D	0-0
28.03.87	DIV. 1	A	13,447	L	1-3
21.11.87	DIV. 1	A	10,091	L	0-2
04.05.88	DIV. 1	H	15,437	W	2-1

SATURDAY
DECEMBER 31
KICK-OFF 3pm

our
next
home
match

NEWCASTLE UNITED



Ossie Ardiles in the thick of the action when Newcastle came here in the fifth round of the F.A. Cup two seasons ago.

NEWCASTLE'S new manager Jim Smith hopes to see his team move out from the relegation area when he brings it here next Saturday. The Magpies celebrated his first game in charge with a 2-1 home win over Wimbledon - it was the first time the Magpies had scored a goal in seven games!

Mr. Smith clearly has the players capable of making Newcastle great again. Former manager Willie McFaul re-invested all the £2.2-million received from the sale of Paul Gascoigne to Spurs last summer.

He signed striker John Hendrie (from Bradford City), goalkeeper Dave Beasant and centre-back Andy Thorn (both from Wimbledon).

In spite of this Newcastle made a very poor start to the season and, though they ended their run by winning at Liverpool (2-1), Mr. McFaul was dismissed and, for a while, Colin Suggett took charge of the team. But, earlier this month, Newcastle made another change at the top when they persuaded Jim Smith to leave Queens Park Rangers.

One of his first moves was to return to Q.P.R. to sign midfielder man Kevin Brock. Other players who have joined Newcastle over the past couple of months include midfielder man Lee Payne (Barnet),

Liam O'Brien (Manchester United) and forward Rob McDonald (PSV Eindhoven). McDonald once played for Hull but had spent the past eight years in Dutch football.

Newcastle went into the holiday period with just that one away victory, at Liverpool, to their credit though they did draw at Charlton (2-2) and Luton (0-0).

They were beaten at Everton (0-4), Derby (0-2), West Ham (0-2), Queens Park Rangers (0-3) and Millwall (0-4).

Over the years Newcastle have lost many cup-ties to smaller clubs and this season it was Third Division Sheffield United who put them out of the Littlewoods Cup, defeating them 3-2 on aggregate.

Mr. Smith's immediate task is to bring some stability back to Newcastle after a season of turmoil. His first aim is to pull them clear of relegation danger but he clearly has more exciting plans in hand.

"This is the first club I have been with that has had the potential to win the League Championship," he said. "Some re-organising has to be done but I don't see any valid reason why we should not eventually do that."

Gazza - and Chris Waddle - will be particularly looking forward to this one!

Tottenham Hotspur

Manager: Terry Venables. Colours: White Shirts, Navy Shorts, White Socks.

BOBBY MIMMS	1	LES SEALEY
GUY BUTTERS	2	ROB JOHNSON
MITCHELL THOMAS	3	RICHARD HARVEY
TERRY FENWICK	4	DAVID PREECE
CHRIS FAIRCLOUGH	5	STEVE FOSTER
GARY MABBUTT	6	MARVIN JOHNSON
PAUL WALSH	7	DANNY WILSON
PAUL GASCOIGNE	8	ROY WEGERLE
CHRIS WADDLE	9	MICK HARFORD
PAUL STEWART	10	RICKY HILL
PAUL ALLEN	11	KINGSLEY BLACK
MARK ROBSON	12	DAVID OLDFIELD
JOHN POLSTON	14	JOHN DREYER

Luton Town

Manager: Ray Harford. Colours: All Blue.

OFFICIALS

Referee: Mr. R. M. Wiseman (Herts)
 Linesmen: Mr. C. J. Henderson (Surrey)
 Red Trim
 Mr. M. G. Wright (Essex)
 Yellow Flag
 Reserve official: Mr. T. Flack (Herts)

TODAY'S REFEREE

The referee for this morning's match is Mr. Roger Wiseman from Borehamwood in Hertfordshire. He is married and works as an assistant operating manager with London Buses.

Mr. Wiseman commenced refereeing in Bromley, Kent in 1972 and progressed from the Bromley and District League to the Kent Amateur League and on to the Isthmian League. He joined the Football League line in 1983 and became a Football League Referee in 1986.

Mr. Wiseman's hobbies include golf, cricket and snooker.

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Charlton Athletic v Arsenal
Derby County v Liverpool.....
Everton v Middlesbrough
Norwich City v West Ham United
Sheffield Wednesday v Newcastle United
Southampton v Coventry City
Wimbledon v Millwall.....

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