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•**First and last:** Roy Wegerle (top) opened the scoring against Mansfield and John Dreyer (below) completed the rout.



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RAY'S REVIEW

Injuries, international calls for World Cup duty and the interruptions to the fixture list have made this last week a difficult one as we have tried to prepare for today's home meeting with Aston Villa. Missing a Saturday is always a problem for a professional player who is used to regular matches, but last weekend's break was less disruptive than the one earlier in the season. And, of course, we hope our lads all came back with their heads high and, in Lars' case, Italy on the horizon. All the players selected for their international squads deserve our congratulations - Danny Wilson, Kingsley Black and Iain Dowie for Northern Ireland and Lars Elstrup for Denmark.

This afternoon, we shall be without Mick Kennedy who is starting to serve his three-match suspension which will mean he misses the games against Norwich here next week and the Littlewoods Cup trip to Everton. His absence and the injury to Darron McDonough in the match against Wimbledon have opened up places in our settled team and given opportunities to others who have been waiting for a chance. This sort of competition for places is always vital and especially so at an ambitious First Division club. We now have Steve Williams returning to fitness, Graham Rodger fighting to establish himself and will soon have Mick Harford back in action after a long break. Richard Cooke, Richard Harvey, Iain Dowie and several of the younger players are also pressing hard for places. Iain, who made an impact at Fulham during his temporary loan period, and Gary Cobb, who had a rewarding loan period at Swansea including a trip into Europe, are both back with the club now.

Our victory over Mansfield was encouraging for everyone after the defeat at Manchester City two weeks ago not least because it produced a game full of goals. This afternoon we need to retain the flair and danger we have been showing going forward but without losing discipline and order in defence. There is no harder school than the First Division and we expect another hard game against Villa. Please give the team your full support and enjoy the match.

Ray Harford



Supporters News

Thanks for your support

Dear Sir
I write on behalf of the Chiltern Youth League, to express our thanks for the support and interest we are receiving from Luton Town.

We recently received four sets of last seasons' kit, which has already been put to good use by our Representative teams; we are very grateful for this.

A new scheme we have just introduced was an idea from Les Shannon, who offered his services on Saturday mornings to run training sessions for team managers in our league on the coaching of youth players. We have one squad of players at each session; Les coaches these and instructs the team managers on his methods. The first session proved extremely interesting and beneficial. Once again we are extremely grateful to Les for his interest and enthusiasm which will benefit so many.

Thanks again to all at Luton Town Football Club for the generosity being shown to our League.

Peter D. Brown
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MATCH REPORT

Luton 1 Wimbledon 3

This game took place at the Renault Dodge Sports ground in Houghton Regis. Before kick-off, pennants were exchanged. This was a game we really should have won, hitting the woodwork three times and having numerous shots either kicked



Founded September 1988

LUTON TOWN SUPPORTERS CLUB

Dear Fellow Supporter

This morning the supporters club over 18 years football team played a team of Aston Villa supporters. We are hoping for a better result than that of our first match which was against Wimbledon Supporters Club, (see report below).

We have a few vacancies for members children on Monday October 23rd to come along to Kenilworth Road and watch the first team train, take a few photos and collect some autographs. For details send a S.A.E. to me c/o the Football Club.

Three more dates for your diary:

Thursday November 2nd Brian Swains second film night.
Thursday November 23rd Guest Speaker Ron Howard.
Tuesday December 12th Quiz Night.

Make sure the team can hear you cheering them on today.

Yours in Sport.

Pam Gray
Chair person

off the line or saved.

Our only goal was scored by Paul Niven. After the game food was laid on in the Social Club. Both sets of players, officials and supporters agreed it had been a great success and arrangements were made to play at Wimbledon in February.

Special than ks to Luton for the loan of their superb Orange Kit and

Bev Tyler for the footballs and first aid.

Team: Housden, Gregory, Fay, Alkins, Murnagh, Niven, Flack, Roe, Marcantonio, Goring, Saunders. Subs: Landers, Cooper, Physio: Hughes. Tom Shanley Manager.

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MAN IN CHARGE Philip Don (Hanworth Park, Middlesex)

Philip is married and has two children. He is a schoolteacher. He started refereeing in 1968 in East Yorkshire and progressed after a move south via the Southern League, the Panel League and the Football League linesmen. He became a Football League referee two years ago. He has been on the line at a European Cup semi-final in 1989 and was in charge of the England v West Germany under-15's clash at Wembley in 1985. He enjoys gardening, most sport, cooking and the theatre.



LITTLEWOODS CHALLENGE CUP THIRD ROUND

EVERTON v LUTON TOWN

Tuesday, October 24, 1989, kick-off 7.30pm

Tickets for seats for this match will be available from the ticket office in Kenilworth Road after this afternoon's match. Seats cost £6.30. Supporters wishing to travel to Goodison Park may pay to stand on the terraces on the night. Admission will cost £4. There will be no concessions.

POSSIBLE REPLAY ARRANGEMENTS

If the match ends in a draw, the replay will be at Kenilworth Road on Wednesday, November 1, 1989, kick-off 7.45pm. Ticket details to be announced as appropriate.

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Luton Town v Norwich City
Saturday, October 21, 1989
Kick-off 12.30pm

Barclays League Division One

Luton Town v Watford
Saturday, October 28, 1989
Kick-off 3.00pm

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Luton Town v Watford
Saturday, October 28, 1989
Kick-off 2.00pm

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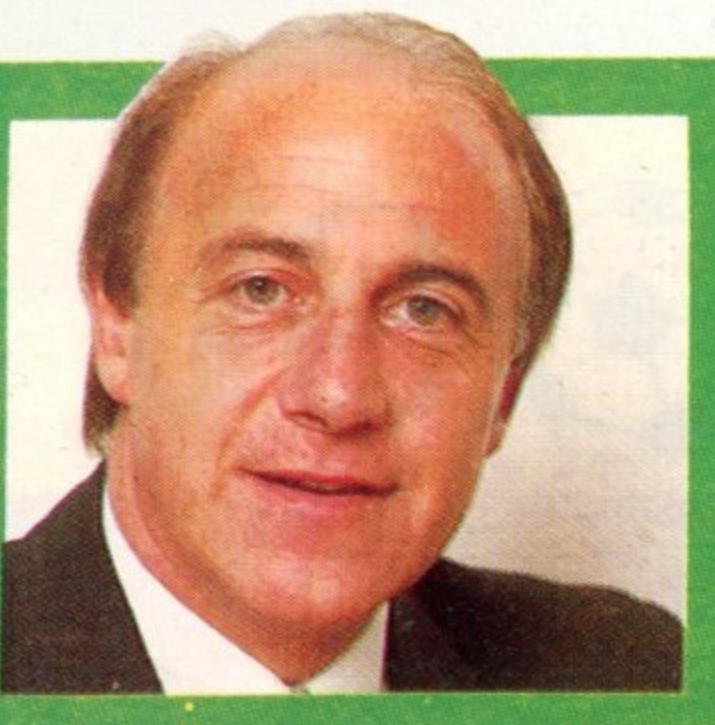
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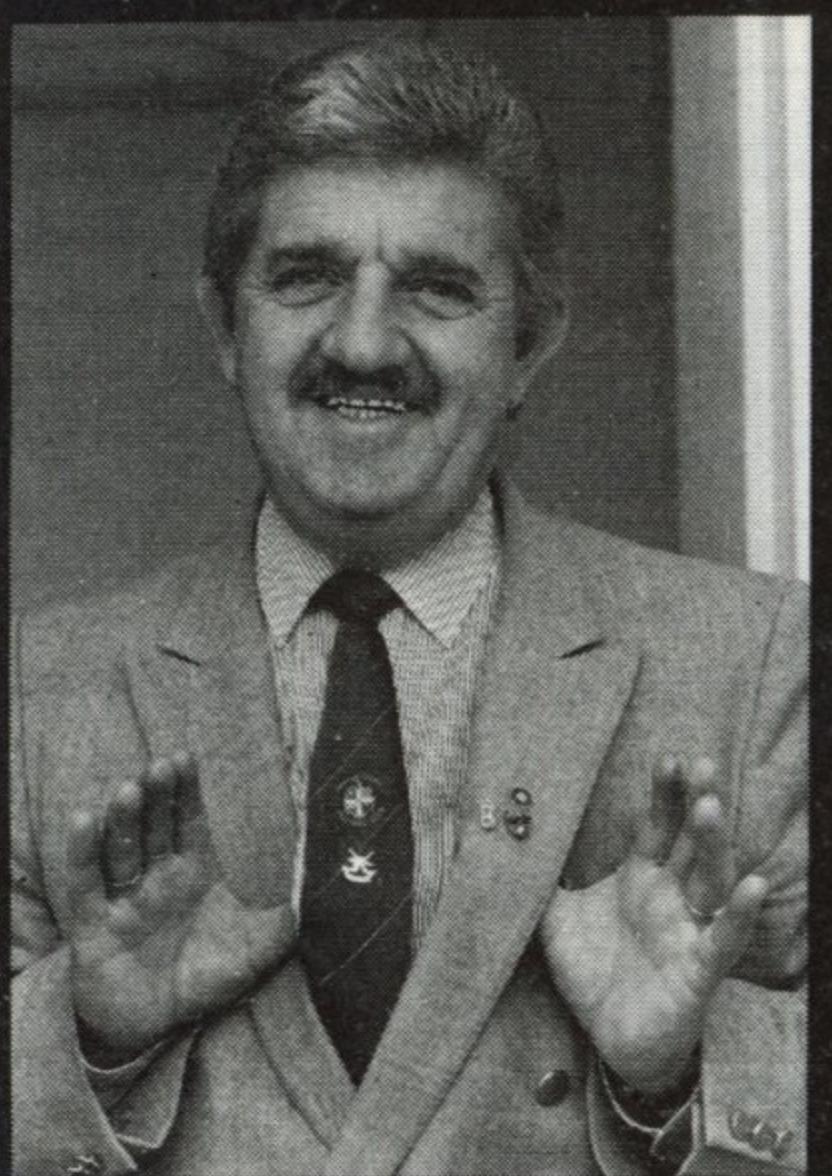
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by BILL TOMLINS

BADGE COLLECTOR



• On display: Steward Ron Knight shows off some of the international badges he collected during the Lada hockey classic last weekend.

WARM WELCOME FOR D.J. BEAR

• **Happy bear:** D.J. Bear the cuddly 'panda of peace' and official Football League Mascot is pictured making friends with our fans before the home match with Wimbledon.



AROUND THE TOWN

WORLD CUP CALLS TAKE FOUR MEN ON THEIR TRAVELS

Welcome to Aston Villa this afternoon and congratulations to our four international players on their World Cup excursions this week. At the time of writing before Wednesday night's World Cup ties, it looked likely that Iain Dowie would be in line to join Danny Wilson and Kingsley Black in the Northern Ireland line-up while Lars Elstrup was hopeful of helping Denmark to clinch a place in next year's finals in Italy.

Last weekend, when there was no First Division programme, Kenilworth Road was very busy again with the Lada International Hockey Classic. It was a tremendous event and I am pleased to note that the International Hockey Association appears to look upon our stadium as their home. All the international players from Australia, the Netherlands and the Soviet Union enjoyed their visit.

Hockey

Attendances at the hockey were very good too with nearly 3,000 here on the Friday and more than 4,000 on Saturday. Live television was of course the chief attraction on Sunday, but it was a successful and well managed event.

Further good news came with the

announcement of the draw for the opening rounds of the Zenith Data Systems Cup. This showed the Football League had secured a prestigious new sponsor for the Full Members' tournament and former Simod Cup. We are one of the 37 First and Second Division teams taking part.

The tournament is divided into two regional groups - north and south - and the regional winners meet in the final at Wembley on March 25. In our opening match, we travel to Oxford in the first round for a tie at the Manor Ground on November 8, kick-off 7.30pm. By coincidence, if we are successful we will go on to play Crystal Palace in the second round, as we did last year in the Simod Cup.

Cup-Ties

In the Littlewoods Cup, of course we have progressed to the third round and will play Everton at Goodison Park. Full details of that fixture are in the Box Office Update on page nine of this programme.

In the Bedfordshire Premier Cup, which we are defending as the holders, we drew 4-4 at Stotfold on Tuesday night in a thrilling tie. The replay has been arranged for Kenilworth Road on November 14, kick-off 7.45pm.



• **Ball sponsors:** Luton Town supporters club were the match ball sponsors against Mansfield last week. Pam Gray is pictured with Lars Elstrup and Danny Wilson after the match.



• **Hockey action:** England's international hockey team enjoyed mixed fortunes against Australia, Argentina and the Netherlands last weekend at Kenilworth Road. This picture taken during the clash with Australia.



• **Happy crowds:** The Lada Hockey Classic attracted good crowds to Luton again last week when the many stalls and sideshows were also a big attraction.

CAPTAIN'S DIARY



DANNY WILSON

UNUSUAL WEEK

It has been a very unusual week or more since our last competitive outing in that Littlewoods Cup thriller part two against Mansfield. We were without a game at all last weekend, after hitting those seven goals on the previous Tuesday, and then it was off to Dublin for three of us for the World Cup qualifying tie against the Republic.

It is the second time this season we have had one of these sort of breaks with no game on the Saturday and it does knock you off the rhythm a bit. But having said that, it is fantastic to be able to play for your country in a World Cup tie.

Progress

Obviously, these notes had to be written before we knew the result of Wednesday night's games but it is a clear sign of the club's progress that we had four men away on World Cup duty - Iain Dowie, Kingsley Black and yours truly with Northern Ireland and Lars Elstrup, of course, with Denmark.

Lars had a great chance of clinching a place in the finals next year in Italy if his team was able to beat Romania in their group. We could not have gone through even if we had won... But we still had our pride to play for. This afternoon, it will be the points at stake again - and important ones, so please give the lads your full vocal support. All the best.

NO LUCK AT MAINE ROAD

Luton Town 1 Manchester City 3

With Darren McDonough missing through injury for the first time this season, the Town defence had a rebuilt look about it at Maine Road on September 30 and Manchester City, who had beaten their city rivals United 5-1 only a week earlier, made the most of it.

Winger David White in particular enjoyed the afternoon. He played havoc with the left side of the Town's defence in which Richard Harvey was given the task of taking over from John Dreyer. All three City goals from David Oldfield, Ian Bishop and David Brightwell came from his crosses.

The Town produced spells of excellent attacking football and might have had a better result had fortune smiled on them, but a penalty miss – for the third week running – and little luck around the goalmouth helped City to victory.

Lars Elstrup had a shot cleared off the line and Roy Wegerle, given the spot-kick responsibility after succeeding where Danny Wilson had failed the previous week against Wimbledon, failed from the 12-yard mark before Kingsley Black – in outstanding form – crashed in the Town's 43rd minute goal to equalise Oldfield's opener. City turned up the pressure to go ahead again through Bishop after 45 and win it with Brightwell's second after 63.

Teams: Luton Town – Chamberlain, Breacker, Dreyer, Wilson, Harvey, Beaumont, Kennedy, (Johnson 81), Wegerle, Elstrup, (Cooke 71), Preece, Black.

Manchester City – Cooper, Fleming, Gayle, Redmond, Hinchcliffe, White, Bishop, Brightwell, Lake, (McNab 63), Morley, Oldfield.

Referee: R. Milford (Bristol).

Attendance: 23,863

1st Team ACTION



• No reward: Lars Elstrup led a powerful Town resistance without any luck at Maine Road where Manchester City took their chances to win 3-1. Lars is pictured in action with David Preece and Roy Wegerle. Pictures by Josh Levy of Apex Photography.

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DAVID PREECE

DAVID PREECE FACT FILE

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Clubs: Walsall (1980-84), Luton Town (1984-)
Joined Luton Town: December, 1984
Luton Town debut: Luton T. v Aston Villa
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International caps: 3 for England 'B'
on tour last summer

me personally," he said. "I won back my place, the team stayed up and we went to Wembley again. Not many players go to Wembley once let alone two years running... and then I got picked for the England 'B' trip. And I was lucky enough to play in all three matches, gain three caps and play on a winning side all three times.

"It was a terrific experience and made a change for me to be away with different players in a different environment. At the end of the season, I looked at the options available to me and decided to stay. I think it was the challenge more than anything plus the fact I was happy and settled with a young family now.

"The club had started a rebuilding programme and, as I said, the press were tipping us to struggle or worse. I know the season will be very hard but I want to be part of the team and to prove everyone wrong. We have some very good new signings - Lars is going to be a very good player and Mick Kennedy is great in the sort of midfield job Peter Nicholas did so well. Graham is very young but he has all the makings of a great centre-half and has a good future ahead of him.

Lack of Credit

"The thing is that we have always had good players at Luton and they have not always had the credit they deserved. The press always try to destroy the club and have been doing that for the last few years. Of course, in the end, it gets through to the team. That is why so many of the great players we have had, have not won a heap of international caps - Mick Harford, Steve Foster, Ricky Hill, Brian Stein and the rest were all international class players and would have been treated differently at one of the big clubs."

Buzzing with pride

"We knew what people were saying and writing in the press and that has helped to motivate us a bit this season," said David this week as he prepared for today's home clash with Aston Villa. "They all tipped us to struggle or go down so we have all really worked hard together as a team and the spirit in the side has been great. It makes you all feel good to be part of the team."

Twelve months ago, David was unsure whether he would still be at Kenilworth Road today. He had suffered two consecutive years of frustration and injury during which he had seen the team he joined breaking up to be rebuilt. But, after winning a place in the side again, he settled down to produce some of his finest and most consistent form and gained tangible reward at the end of the season when he was selected for the England 'B' tour of Scandinavia last summer.

"It ended up being a very good season for



DAVID PREECE

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I was pleased so many of you took up the free invitation to attend the Hockey Classic last Saturday.

I would like to thank the Hockey Association for their generosity. I would like to have seen it myself, but I was with the Northern Ireland squad for the World Cup qualifier against Eire in Dublin.

What a good game we had in the Littlewoods Cup with Mansfield. It was good to see Lars Elstrup score his first hat-trick for Luton and we are looking forward to our visit to Goodison Park to play Everton in the next round. Lets see if we can make it to Wembley for the third time in three years.

In the last home programme, I let you know about the Junior Hatters playing football with the Junior Canaries of Norwich. We have had a good response for the under-12 years team

and that is full up, but we still have a few places left for the under-15 years team.

If you would like to play for the Junior Hatters, see Bev Tyler in the Oak Road Sports Shop today.

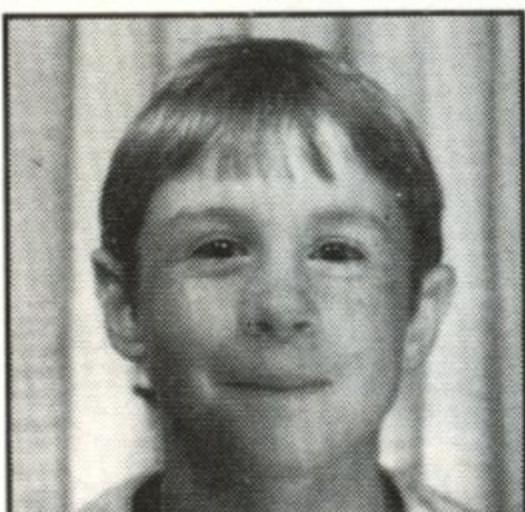
Today's lucky Junior Hatters membership number is 191111, Ricky Dobbs, the winner, should contact Bev Tyler at the Sports Shop in Oak Road with his membership card for two free tickets to one of our home matches.

This week's lucky number for a Sports Bag sponsored by Spearman International Ltd, Suppliers of Quality Promotional Products, Gifts, Incentives and Awards is Joanne Farquharson, 191435. Congratulations.

Have a good time and I will see you all next Saturday when our visitors are Norwich. Do your best to support the team.

Kingsley Black

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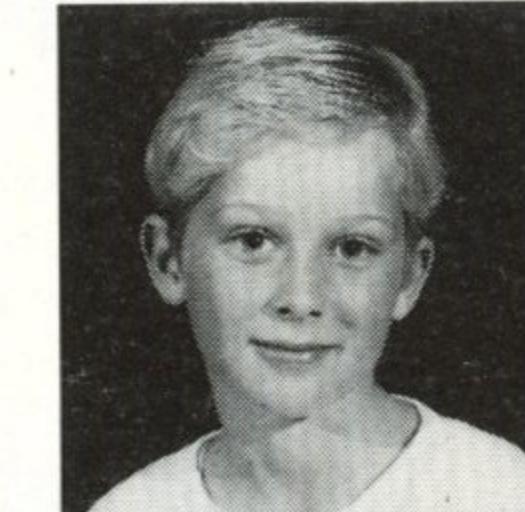


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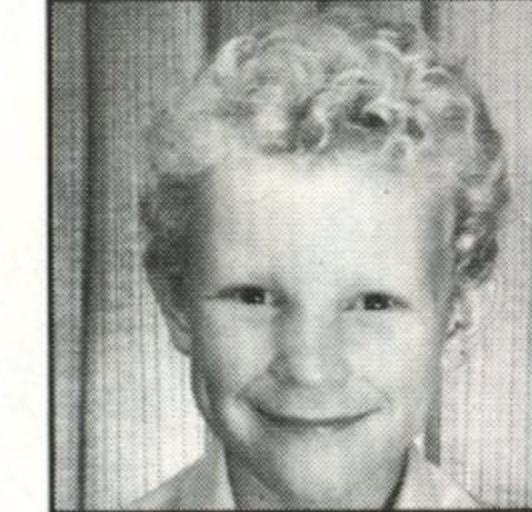
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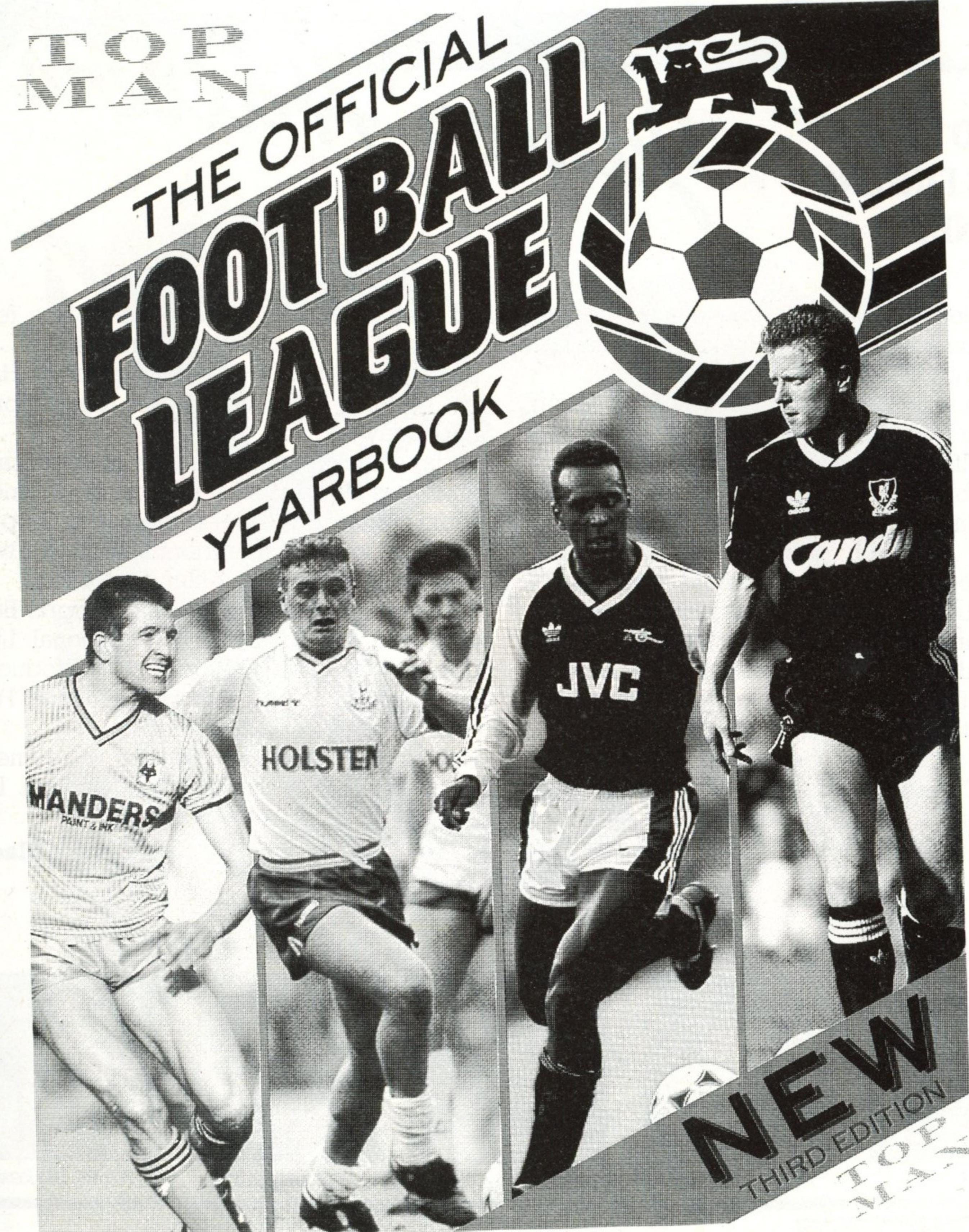
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LIA's guests include staff from the Travel Weekly newspaper together with some Counter Club travel agents who were quick off the mark in a special phone-in to join in with the thrills and spills of an afternoon of top-class First Division action.

Best wishes to all concerned. We hope you all have a great day out and thoroughly enjoy what should be a very exciting match against Aston

Villa.

Our ball sponsors today are Keith Harvey and his son Richard from R.W. Harvey & Son. They are among our best and most loyal supporters and this afternoon's ball sponsorship is the second of three they have taken this season.

We wish them well and hope they enjoy the match and the result.

Finally, our match day executive boxes have been taken this afternoon by House Percival and Contracting Factory Services. On behalf of everyone at the club, I hope everyone enjoys their visit to Kenilworth Road and has a good match.

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	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Oxford United	4	3	1	0	9	4	7
Brentford	3	3	0	0	11	3	6
Wimbledon	5	3	0	2	12	6	6
Crystal Palace	3	0	0	0	7	1	6
A.F.C. Bournemouth	3	2	1	0	10	4	5
Southampton	6	2	1	3	8	8	5
Colchester United	6	2	1	3	9	11	5
Tottenham Hotspur	4	2	0	2	7	7	4
Luton Town	3	2	0	1	3	4	4
Brighton & Hove	3	1	0	2	4	4	2
Bristol City	3	0	2	1	2	4	2
Northampton Town	3	1	0	2	6	9	2
Bristol Rovers	3	1	0	2	5	8	2
Reading	3	0	1	2	1	4	1
Swindon Town	3	0	0	3	13	0	0
Aldershot	3	0	0	3	13	0	0

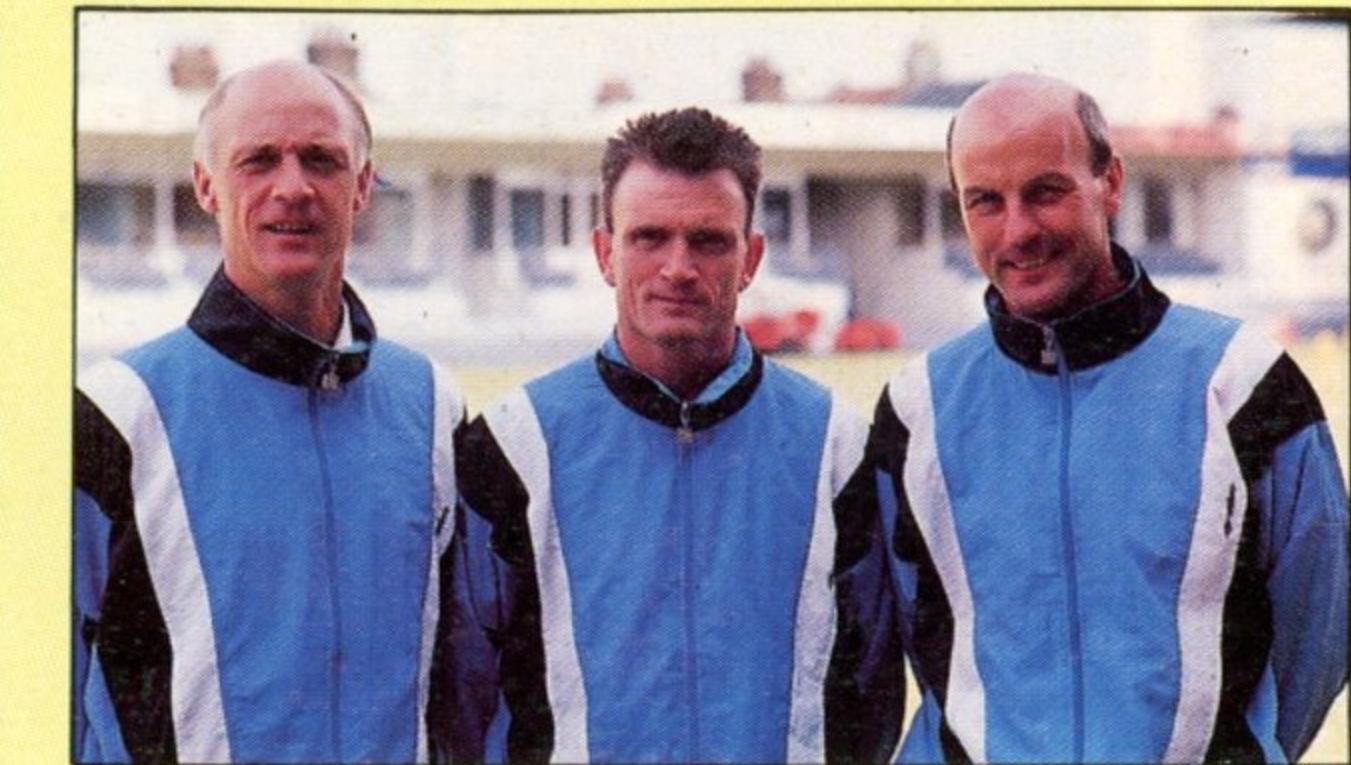
OVENDEN FOOTBALL COMBINATION 1989/90

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Arsenal	7	6	0	1	20	15	18
Tottenham Hotspur	5	4	0	1	19	10	12
Swindon Town	7	4	0	3	14	11	12
Ipswich Town	5	3	2	0	14	9	11
Oxford United	5	3	1	1	15	7	10
Millwall	5	3	1	1	9	6	10
Brighton & Hove	6	3	1	2	10	9	10
Luton Town	4	3	0	1	9	5	9
Norwich City	4	3	0	1	7	5	9
Wimbledon	4	2	2	0	7	3	8
Chelsea	3	2	1	0	11	3	7
QPR	5	2	0	3	6	9	6
Crystal Palace	5	1	2	2	9	9	5
Portsmouth	4	1	2	1	6	7	5
West Ham	4	1	1	2	8	7	4
Watford	7	1	1	5	10	16	4
Southampton	7	0	2	5	8	16	2
Charlton Athletic	5	0	1	4	9	17	1
Reading	6	0	1	5	8	18	1
Fulham	4	0	0	4	1	18	0



•Full of running: Aaron Tighe.

FROM THE BENCH



NO SATISFACTION IN THRILLING CUP DRAW

Jim Ryan was the least satisfied man at Roker Park, Stotfold, on Tuesday night this week after our reserves side had been held to an exciting 4-4 draw after extra time in our opening defence of the Bedfordshire Premier Cup which we won last season. "I was happy to score four goals," said Jim. "But not so happy to concede four goals. We had enough of the play to have won, but give credit to Stotfold because they worked very hard and never gave up. They got the breaks but they worked for them."

Stotfold took an early lead, Jason Rees levelled, then poor tackling galled the village side to take a 2-1 half-time advantage. Paul Gray headed a second equaliser from an Ian Scott cross early in the second half and converted a Jason Rees cross from close range to make it 2-2. But Stotfold came back again to make it 3-3 before substitute Kurt Nogan regained the young Town's advantage early in the first period of extra time. A deflection, which was tough on goalkeeper Andy Petersen, pulled the scores level again at 4-4.

Replay date

The replay will be at Kenilworth Road on Tuesday, November 14, kick-off 7.45. In a period of few reserve outings, it was a good opportunity for several men to get competitive action in Jim Ryan's team. The previous reserves match was at home to Ipswich on September 30 – when we won 3-2 – and the next is not until next weekend's Friday night trip to Norwich – just one of three meetings between the two clubs that weekend. The youth teams play in a curtain raiser to our First Division clash at Kenilworth Road, kick-off 12.30pm.

Our youth team, meanwhile, has maintained its recent good run and last weekend won 2-1 at Swindon with goals from Stuart Brown (2) putting us on top in a match coach John Faulkner believes we should have won far more convincingly. "We played well and deserved to score more goals," he reported.

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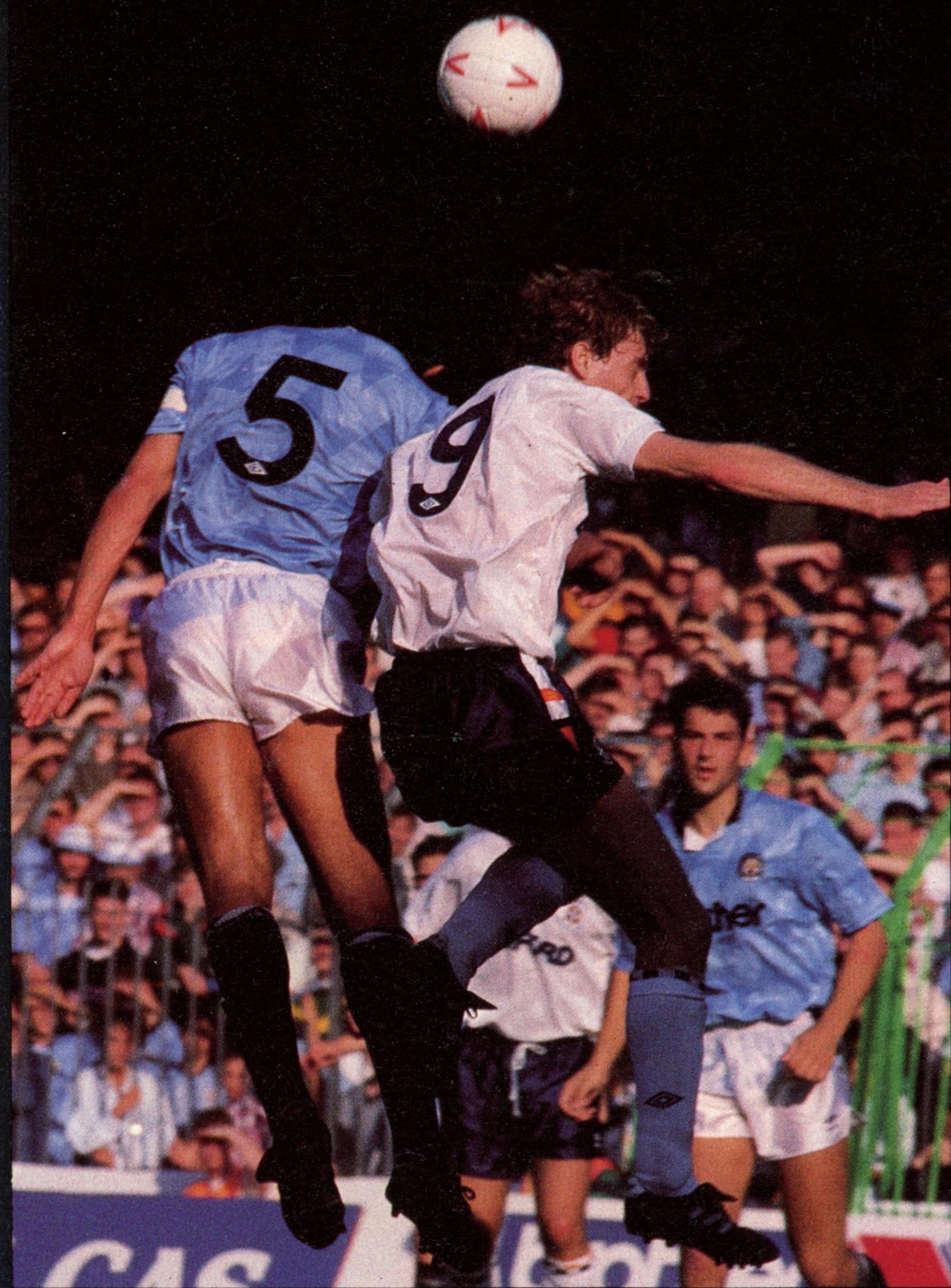
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• Leaping high: Our Danish international striker Roy Wegerle is caught in aerial battle at Maine Road, Manchester. Action portrait by Josh Levy

OFF THE RECORD

A memorable last-gasp winner

After winning 1-0 at Nottingham Forest on 12th March 1983 the Town moved up to 18th position in the Division One table and set the Fleet Street pundits predicting that Luton had turned the corner, writes club statistician Roger Wash.

We felt that something was still missing and were soon proved correct when four defeats on the trot sent us back into the relegation zone again with the position looking pretty hopeless.

After the win at Forest, the Town went to Highbury and suffered what was to become the annual defeat there with a 4-1 scoreline fully reflecting a poor Luton performance.

Worse was to come the following Saturday when Sunderland, who had never enjoyed the best of records at Kenilworth Road, came here and won easily 3-1 with veterans Frank Worthington and Leighton James giving the Town the runaround.

The Town now had the worst home record in Division One and despite the addition of new signings Tony Godden and Trevor Aylott it was difficult to see where the next point would come from.

Easter had often been the graveyard of Luton Town hopes in the past and 1982/83 proved no different with two straight defeats sending the Hatters to the bottom of the table for the first time that season.

Norwich, also struggling in the relegation area, visited Luton on Easter Saturday and returned home with three points following a 1-0 win.

Dave Bennett put them ahead mid-way through the first half and the Town never looked likely to break through a solid defence after that although Chris Woods pulled off a wonder save to deny David Moss in the closing minutes which would have provided a surprising and undeserved equaliser.

We were certainly not looking forward to the visit

OUR LAST FIVE MEETINGS AT KENILWORTH ROAD

1988/89	17/12/88	Luton 1 (Wegerle) Aston Villa 1 Att: 8,785
1986/87	14/2/87	Luton 2 (Harford, Foster) Aston Villa 1 Att: 9,174
1985/86	18/1/86	Luton 2 (B. Stein, Newell) Aston Villa 0 Att: 10,217
1984/85	8/12/84	Luton 1 (Preece) Aston Villa 0 Att: 7,696
1983/84	1/10/83	Luton 1 (Moss) Aston Villa 0 Att: 12,747

IT HAPPENED 35 YEARS AGO THIS WEEK ...

16th October 1954

Goals from Roy Davies, Gordon Turner and Jim Adam set up an easy 3-1 victory over Plymouth at Kenilworth Road before a crowd of 15,059. This made it seven home wins out of seven since the start of the season.

IT HAPPENED 70 YEARS AGO THIS WEEK ...

11th October 1919

Internationals Ernie Simms and Louis Bookman scored the goals that beat Brighton 2-0 in a Southern League fixture at Kenilworth Road.

At the end of that season the Southern League formed the new Third Division of the Football League.

to Watford particularly as we had to risk losing the hold of the "Indian sign" over the Hornets or more specifically Graham Taylor with six wins and a draw from the previous seven games between the two sides.

Watford took an early lead through Luther Blissett but the Town, showing rather more flair and commitment than had been seen for some time, roared back to lead 2-1 with goals from Aylott and Brian Horton.

The Hornets scored against the run of play to equalise just before half time but started the second period at whirlwind pace to take a 4-2 lead before Raddy Antic was sent off for an innocuous foul to finish the game as a proper spectacle.

Despite the defeat we sensed a glimmer of light and prayed that the form shown in the first half at Vicarage Road could be continued.

Aston Villa were the next visitors to Kenilworth Road and when Aylott gave the Town the lead on 30 minutes the sense of relief was audible, but just before half-time Gary Shaw scored an equaliser with a superbly struck goal.

The second half belonged to Luton with shots raining on Nigel Spink but the ball would not go in the net. With the game in the 91st minute Richard Money sent over a low cross which David Moss lunged at instinctively to send the crowd into raptures. There was not even time for a restart!

This win set the Town up for a memorable end to the season which finished with that never to be forgotten game at Maine Road, Manchester.



•David Moss: He stuck out a leg to earn the points.

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WELCOME TO...

ASTON VILLA

- This afternoon we extend a warm welcome to Aston Villa and their manager Graham Taylor who was always a regular and welcome visitor to Kenilworth Road when he was the manager of our neighbours Watford.
- Villa are famous as founder members of the Football League in 1888, but the club's beginnings go back as far as 1874 when a group of members of Aston Villa Wesleyan Chapel, who played cricket together in the summer, met under a lamp post to create a club for their favourite winter sport.
- Since 1988, Villa have been members of the First Division for most of their history, but have had five spells in Division Two and one, from 1970-72, in Division Three. Their last spell outside the top flight was in 1987-88 when they returned immediately as runners-up.
- Taylor is Villa's 17th manager since 1884 when the club was led and administered by George Ramsay, the man who in 10 years took them from obscurity to fame.
- Villa's previous managers: Ramsay, W.J. Smith, Jimmy McMullan, Jimmy Hogan, Alex Massie, George Martin, Eric Houghton, Joe Mercer, Dick Taylor, Tommy Cummings, Tommy Docherty, Vic Crowe, Ron Saunders, Tony Barton, Graham Turner and Billy McNeill.
- Martin (1950-53) was manager here at Kenilworth Road for two spells during his career which helped establish several links between the two clubs. Several players have turned out for both - notably, in recent years, Bruce Rioch and Chris Nicholl.
- Villa have won the league title seven times - 1894, 1896, 1897, 1899, 1900, 1910 and 1981 - and the F.A. Cup a record seven times - 1887, 1895, 1897, 1905, 1913, 1920 and 1957. In 1896-97 they performed the double. They won the Football League Cup in 1961, 1975 and 1977.
- The Villians have an impressive record in Europe too. They won the European Champions Cup in 1982 and the European Super Cup the following year. They have appeared in the UEFA Cup three times and also reached the final of the World Cup Championships.
- Villa beat Derby County 1-0 on Saturday, September 30, to climb above the Town into 13th place in the First Division, David Platt scoring the only goal with a fierce cross-shot after 45 minutes.
- Villa's team against Derby was: Spink, Price, Gallacher, Gage, Mountfield, McGrath, Daley, Platt, Olney, Cowans, Gray. Striker Ian Ormondroyd, who cost £650,000 from Bradford City, came on as a substitute.



Back Row (left to right): Derek Mountfield, Gareth Williams, Dean Spink, Ian Olney, Kent Nielsen, Ian Ormondroyd, Steve Sims, Nigel Callaghan. Middle Row: Gordon Cowans, Paul McGrath, Nigel Spink, Bobby Downes (Youth Team Coach), Dennis Booth (First Team Coach), Jim Walker (Physiotherapist), Lee Butler, Kevin Gage, Mark Lillis. Front Row: Paul Birch, Tony Daley, Bernard Gallacher, John Ward (Assistant Manager), Graham Taylor (Manager), Dave Richardson (Assistant Manager), Stuart Gray, Chris Price, David Platt.

FIRST TEAM

UPDATE

1989-90 SEASON

BARCLAYS FOOTBALL LEAGUE DIVISION ONE

P	W	D	L	F	A	W	D	L	F	APts.	
7	2	1	0	12	1	Liverpool	2	2	0	7	215
8	2	3	0	8	3	Chelsea	2	0	1	5	415
7	3	1	0	8	0	Arsenal	1	1	1	3	514
8	0	4	0	7	7	Norwich City	3	1	0	5	014
8	3	1	0	9	4	Millwall	1	1	1	5	814
8	3	0	1	9	6	Everton	1	1	2	3	513
8	3	0	0	5	1	Coventry	1	1	3	2	713
8	1	2	1	6	6	Southampton	2	1	1	7	812
8	3	1	1	6	3	Crystal Palace	0	1	2	1	1211
8	3	1	1	11	5	Manchester City	0	0	3	2	610
8	1	1	1	2	1	Queens Park Rangers	1	2	2	6	69
8	2	1	1	6	4	Nottingham Forest	0	2	2	3	59
8	2	2	1	6	5	Aston Villa	0	1	2	2	49
8	2	2	0	4	1	LUTON TOWN	0	1	3	2	69
8	1	1	1	3	3	Wimbledon	0	4	1	4	68
8	1	1	2	3	5	Derby	1	1	2	3	8
7	2	0	1	6	7	Tottenham Hotspur	0	2	2	4	78
7	2	0	1	9	4	Manchester United	0	1	3	4	117
8	1	1	1	3	1	Charlton Athletic	0	2	3	3	76
8	1	2	1	2	3	Sheffield Wednesday	0	0	4	0	135

LEADING SCORERS: (league and cup) 7 Newell (Everton), 6 Barnes (Liverpool), Rush (Liverpool), Wegerle (Luton), 5 Atkinson (Sheffield Wednesday), Elstrup (Luton), Fleck (Norwich), Hughes (Man Utd), Oldfield (Man City), Platt (Aston Villa), Saunders (Derby), Sheringham (Millwall), Thomas (Arsenal), Wilson (Chelsea), Wright (Crystal Palace).

APPEARANCES AND GOALSCORERS

Player	League		Littlewoods Cup		FA Cup	
	Aps	Gls	Aps	Gls	Aps	Gls
David Beaumont	8	-	2	-	-	-
Kingsley Black	8	2	1(1)	-	-	-
Tim Breacker	8	-	2	-	-	-
Alec Chamberlain	8	-	2	-	-	-
Richard Cooke	(3)	-	-	-	-	-
Iain Dowie	(1)	-	-	-	-	-
John Dreyer	8	-	2	1	-	-
Lars Elstrup	4(2)	-	2	5	-	-
Sean Farrell	(1)	-	-	-	-	-
Paul Gray	-	-	-	-	-	-
Richard Harvey	1(4)	-	-	-	-	-
Julian James	-	-	-	-	-	-
Marvin Johnson	-	-	-	-	-	-
Mick Kennedy	8	-	2	-	-	-
Darron McDonough	7	-	1	-	-	-
David Preece	8	-	2	1	-	-
Graham Rodger	-	-	1	-	-	-
Les Sealey	-	-	-	-	-	-
Roy Wegerle	8	2	2	4	-	-
Steve Williams	4	-	1	-	-	-
Danny Wilson	8	2	2	-	-	-

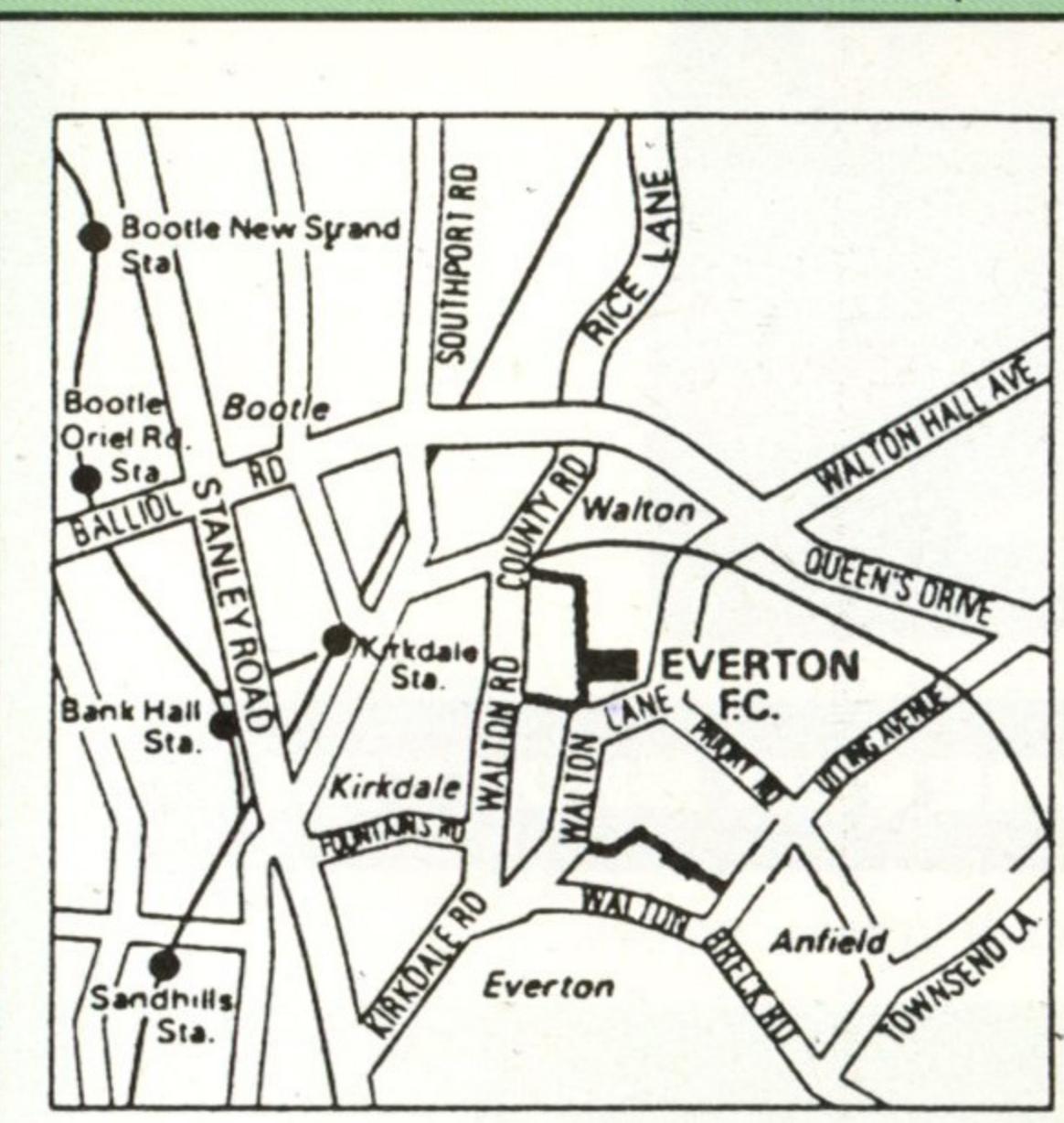
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TEAM SPIRIT- REPLI-KIT.

Luton Town	F-A	Att	Pos	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	14
Aug 19 Tottenham Hotspur	1-2	17,668	-	Chamberlain	Breacker	McDonough	Beaumont	Dreyer	Wilson	(Williams)	(Preece)	Black	Wegerle¹	Kennedy	[Harvey]	
Aug 22 Sheffield Wednesday	2-0	9,503	-	Chamberlain	Breacker	Dreyer	Williams	McDonough	Beaumont	Kennedy	Wegerle	Wilson^{1P}	Preece	(Black ¹)	[Farrell]	
Aug 26 Liverpool	0-0	11,124	10	Chamberlain	Breacker	Dreyer	(Williams)	McDonough	Beaumont	(Kennedy)	Wegerle	Wil	Preece	Black	[Elstrup]	
Aug 30 Queens Park Rangers	0-0	10,565	11	Chamberlain	Breacker	Dreyer	Williams	McDonough	Beaumont	Kennedy	Wegerle	Elstrup	Preece	(Black)	Harvey	
Sept 9 Charlton Athletic	1-0	8,859	7	Chamberlain	Breacker	Dreyer	Wilson^{1P}	McDonough	Beaumont	Kennedy	Wegerle	Preece	Black	[Elstrup]	[Harvey]	
Sept 16 Coventry City	0-1	11,152	8	Chamberlain	Breacker	Dreyer	Wilson	(McDonough)	Beaumont	Kennedy	Wegerle	Elstrup	Preece	(Black)	[Elstrup]	
Sept 19 Mansfield Town (LC2-1)	4-3	5,361	8	Chamberlain	Breacker	Dreyer	Wilson	McDonough	Beaumont	Kennedy	Wegerle	Elstrup²	Preece	(Williams)	[Black]	
Sept 23 Wimbledon	1-1	8,449	10	Chamberlain	Breacker	Dreyer	Wilson	(McDonough)	Beaumont	Kennedy	Wegerle	Elstrup¹	Preece	Black	[Cooke]	
Sept 30 Manchester City	1-3	23,863	14	Chamberlain	Breacker	Dreyer	Wilson	Harvey	Beaumont	(Kennedy)	Wegerle	Elstrup²	Preece	(Johnson)	[Cooke]	
Oct 3 Mansfield Town (LC2-2)	7-2	6,519	14	Chamberlain	Breacker	Dreyer¹	Wilson	Rodger	Beaumont	Kennedy	Wegerle	Elstrup³	Preece	Black	Harvey	



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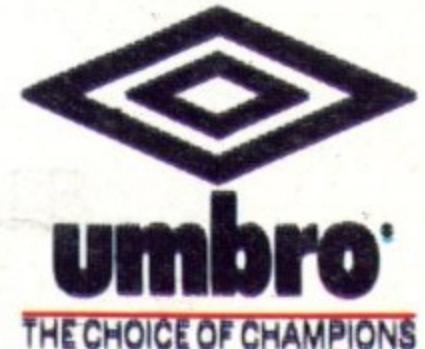
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Aston Villa v West Ham United
Middlesbrough v Wimbledon
Sunderland v AFC Bournemouth
Crystal Palace v Nottingham Forest
Manchester United v Tottenham Hotspur
Newcastle United v West Bromwich Albion
Southampton v Charlton Athletic
Manchester City v Norwich City
Derby County v Sheffield Wednesday
Exeter City v Blackpool
Arsenal v Liverpool
Swindon Town v Bolton Wanderers
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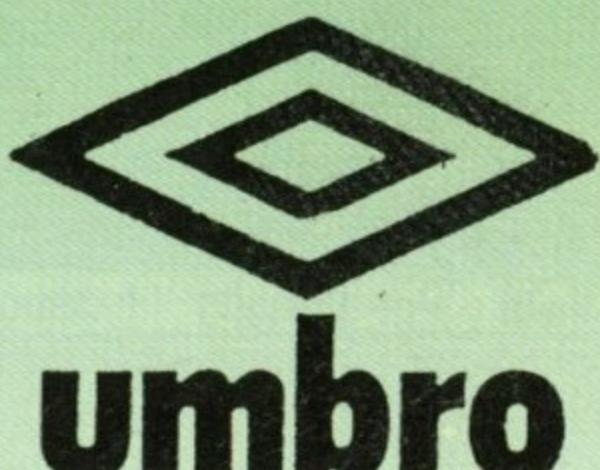
VAUXHALL TEAM CHECK.

LUTON TOWN

Team Manager: Ray Harford
White Shirts, Navy Shorts

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- 2 Tim Breacker
- 3 John Dreyer
- 4 Danny Wilson
- 5 Graham Rodger
- 6 David Beaumont
- 7 Steve Williams
- 8 Roy Wegerle
- 9 Lars Elstrup
- 10 David Preece
- 11 Kingsley Black

Subs



ASTON VILLA

Team Manager: Graham Taylor
Claret Shirts, White Shorts

- 1 Nigel Spink
- 2 Chris Price
- 3 Bernard Gallacher
- 4 Kevin Gage
- 5 Derek Mountfield
- 6 Paul McGrath
- 7 Tony Daley
- 8 David Platt
- 9 Ian Olney
- 10 Gordon Cowans
- 11 Stuart Gray

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