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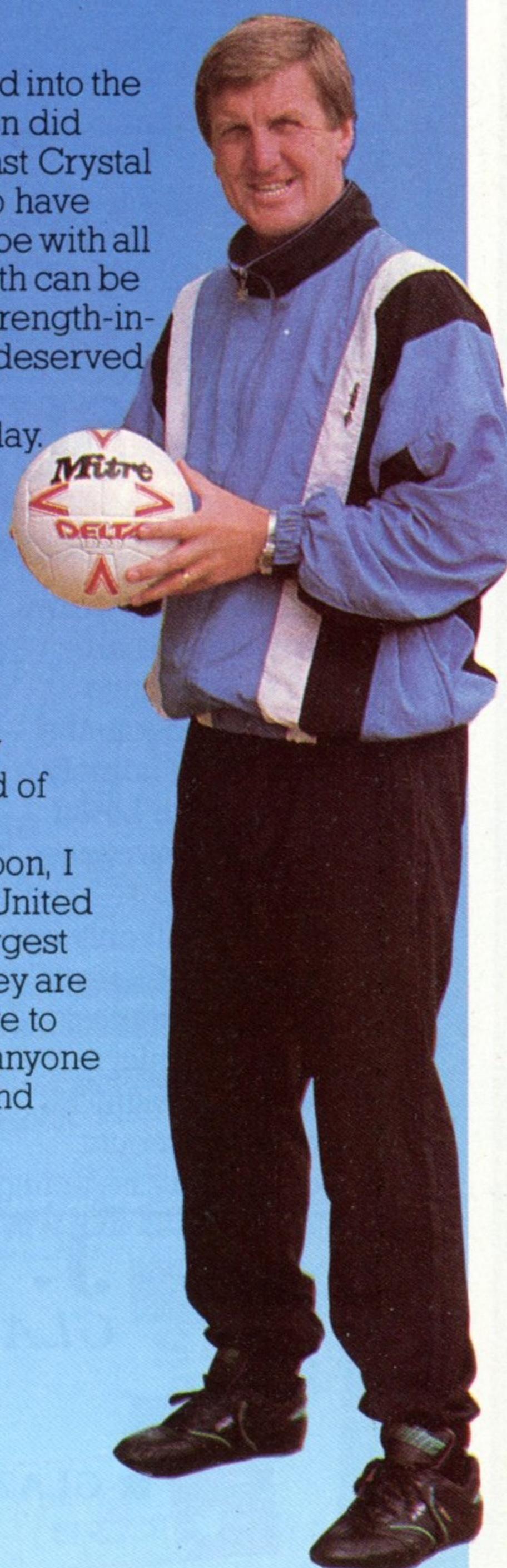
There are plenty of clichés in football about it being a cruel game and so on, but none can go far enough to explain the injury problems which are currently affecting our central defensive players. After losing Darron McDonough and Graham Rodger with their shoulder and ankle problems, bad luck struck again last week at Selhurst Park and David Beaumont, who did such a good job in our home match with Derby two weeks ago, limped off with ankle ligament damage. He is likely to be out for at least two or three weeks and, at the time of writing, it looks as if we might need to find experienced reinforcements to keep up our strength for the next month or so.

Both John Dreyer, when he was drafted into the middle last week, and Marvin Johnson did brilliantly to help us get a draw against Crystal Palace. But in this league you need to have strength in reserve and in depth to cope with all the games at the top level – and a month can be a long time to survive with an under-strength-in-numbers squad. Having said that, we deserved our point at Selhurst Park for a good, determined and organised team display. Everyone did a good job and we have now given ourselves a bit of a platform to build on in the last four games.

Both Mick Harford and Darron have undergone operations in the last two weeks to clear their injuries and they should be back in training by the end of the year to add their strength and experience to the squad. This afternoon, I am pleased to welcome Manchester United to Kenilworth Road. As one of the biggest and best-known clubs in the game, they are always expected to succeed. We have to prove that we are capable of beating anyone by concentrating on our own game and keeping our good run going.

Enjoy the game

Ray Harford



Mailbag & Supporters News

Want to air your views?

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Puncture Problems

Dear Sir
Through this programme, we would like to apologise to those members of our Travel Club for the unfortunate inconvenience caused by a tyre puncture en route to the Littlewoods Cup tie at Everton. Many fans missed a large percentage of the game.

We are at present looking into the incident to hopefully find a suitable solution that will go some way to helping those members. May we also thank those members for their

patience shown in this matter as reported back by our official stewards on board.

Yours sincerely

J.A. Pyper
Bobbers Travel Club Committee,
51 Rosslyn Crescent
Luton
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Delightful Dowie

Dear Sir
What a delight to see Iain Dowie in such sparkling form against Derby

and what a first goal. In the days of huge transfer fees it is nice to see players still coming through from the lower leagues. If we remember a few years back Peter Anderson came to us via Hendon and we all remember him and more recently Brian Stein who came from Edgware – and who will ever forget him! If Iain becomes as good as these two were, what a bargain he will have been.

Yours faithfully

L. Skinner
41 Driftwood Avenue
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This discount will only apply if you produce a current Supporters Club membership card. Sincere thanks to Bev Tyler and Bill Tomlins for arranging the discount.

Our Social Diary is getting

like the M25 during the rush hour! The first date to note is Thursday 23 November when Luton Town's Ron Howard is our guest speaker. We are sure that Ron, like Ray Hartford and Terry Mancini, will provide an interesting insight into life behind the scenes.

On the 4th December, Danny Wilson and Roy Wegerle will swap the pressures of First Division football for the spotlight of our guest speakers chairs. We look for-

ward to hearing from two of the Towns favourite players.

Tickets for both events can be purchased after today's game at our box behind the Main Stand.

Finally, a warm welcome to Mal Donaghy on his first competitive return to Kenilworth Road. Enjoy your day Mal, but don't forget to leave the points with us.

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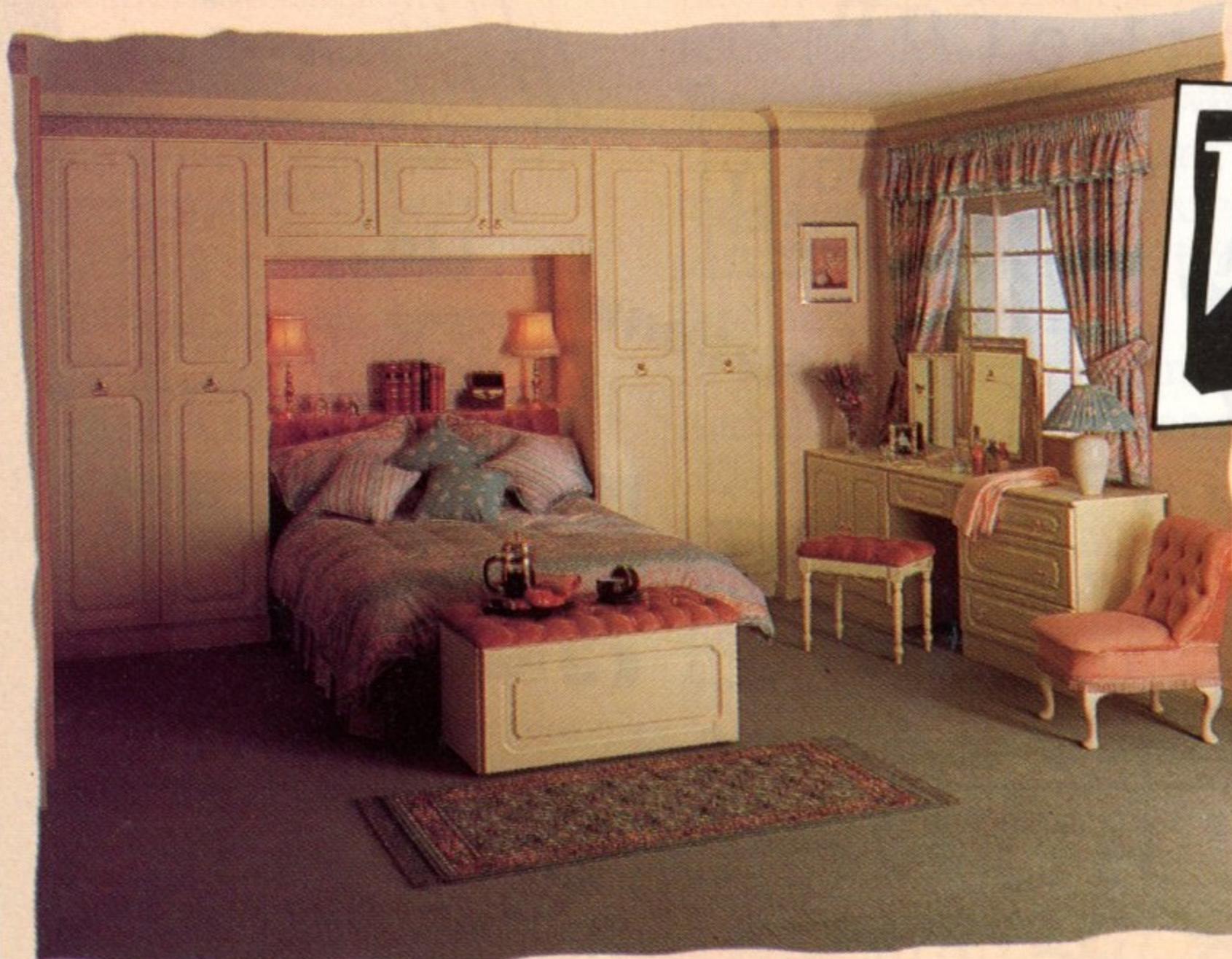
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Junior Hatter David Riddell brought our list of members up to the 20,000 mark this season when he was presented with his membership card by his favourite player Danny Wilson.

Eight-year-old David said he chose Danny because he was the captain and "I want to be a captain too." He became hooked on the Hatters after going to matches with his family.

David is pictured collecting his card from Danny at the club this week.

FREE PARK AND RIDE FOR ALL OUR MEMBERS

I am delighted today to announce details of an exciting free park and ride scheme, sponsored by the Herald and Post, which will come into operation at our next home Barclays League Division One fixture against Tottenham on December 2.

This tremendous new project is another great offer to our members who were recently offered half-price travel every Saturday on Luton and District Transport buses.

The scheme will operate on a trial scheme for the following six Saturdays when we are at home in the Barclays League Division One December 2 – Tottenham, December 30 – Chelsea, January 20 – Q.P.R., February 10 – Coventry, February 24 – Southampton and March 17 – Manchester City.

Directions to the park and ride car park will be signposted for all traffic approaching Luton from the M1 (junction 10), A1081 (Harpden/St Albans), B653 (Wheathampstead), A6 (Bedford) and A505 (Hitchin and North Herts). Members will be able to

park their cars at the I.B.C. Vehicles Car Park at the junction of the Kimpton Road and Airport Way roundabout from 1.30pm onwards on match days.

A fleet of Luton and District buses will provide a shuttle service to Kenilworth Road stadium and the drop-off point at the junction of Hazelbury Crescent and Kenilworth Road.

Buses will be waiting to provide the return journey to the car park from Kenilworth Road after the match. A steward will be on duty at the car park, but the club cannot accept any liability for the vehicles parked there.

The shuttle bus times are:
From the car park –
13.40, 13.55, 14.15, 14.30.
From the stadium –
immediately after the
match (last bus 16.55).

I am sure you will join me in thanking the managing director of the Herald and Post, Enzo Testa, for his support. We are also indebted to I.B.C. Vehicles for allowing us the use of their premises for this scheme.

Brian Cole, Chairman



•A winning combination: The Herald and Post has teamed up with the club to sponsor a free park and ride scheme for all our members.



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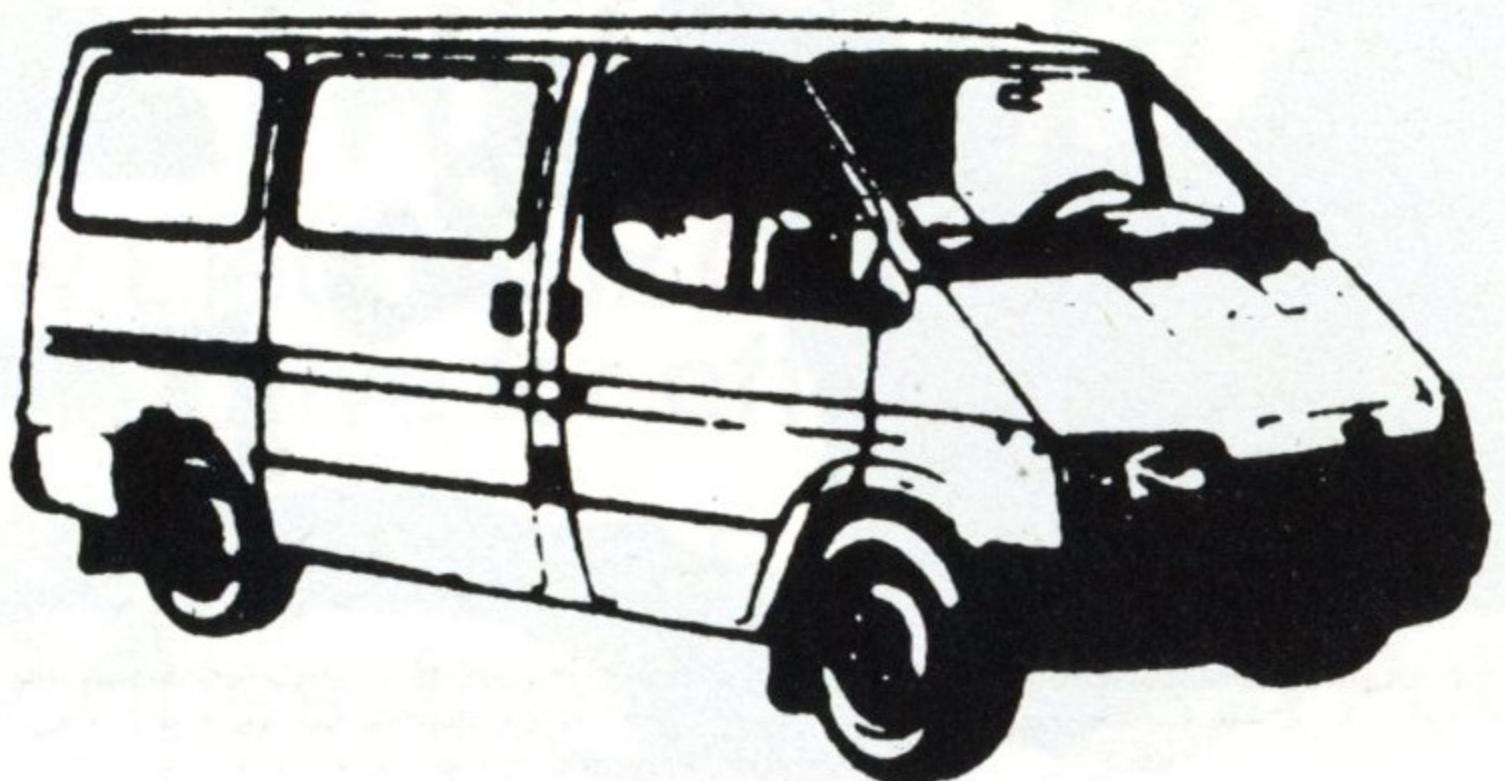


THIS ONE'S MINE

Iain Dowie shows our old friend and former captain Steve Foster who is the boss in the air during our 3-2 win at the Manor against Oxford last week.



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MAN IN CHARGE John Moules (Erith, Kent)

John is single and works as a computer consultant in international communications. He began refereeing in 1968 and progressed through the local youth and junior leagues to the Football Combination. He became a league linesman in 1979 and joined the full league list of referees in 1981. He enjoys athletics, golf and music. John's linesmen today are T.W. Ash from London and A. Hodgett from Desborough, Northants. The reserve official is J.M. Welsh.



ZENITH DATA SYSTEMS CUP SECOND ROUND

Crystal Palace v Luton Town

Monday, November 27, 1989, kick-off 7.45pm

Seats at £10 and standing tickets at £6 are available for this match from the ticket office in Kenilworth Road. Although this is not an all-ticket match, travelling supporters arriving without a ticket must buy a ticket from the visitors' ticket office. No cash will be taken on the turnstiles.

BARCLAYS LEAGUE DIVISION ONE

Southampton v Luton Town

Saturday, November 25, 1989, kick-off 3.00pm

Seats at £7 are available for this fixture from our ticket office in Kenilworth Road. Standing at £4 will be available on the day.

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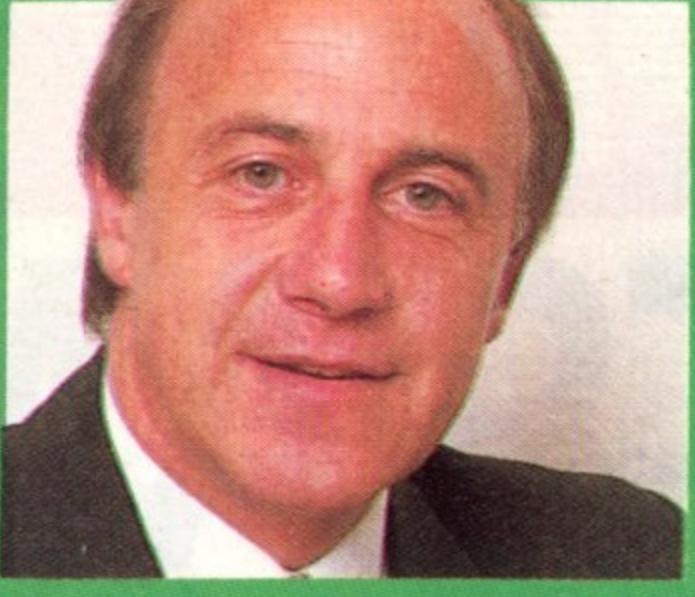
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THE TOWN

IRISH CONNECTIONS A STRONG FEATURE HERE THIS AFTERNOON

A warm welcome to Manchester United and, our very popular former player Mal Donagh. United have always had a strong association with Northern Ireland and Ireland players and it was interesting to note last weekend that one of their former players Kevin Moran was selected by the Irish F.A. as their player of the year.

We too have very well-established links with Ireland and have enjoyed the services of many fine Irish players and last weekend, at the same event in Dublin, one of our youth players David Gormley was one of three nominees for their under-17 player award.

Our chief scout Ron Howard flew to Dublin for the event where he was welcomed by Jack Charlton and the Irish officials who were delighted to see him. He was the only English club representative there. The award went to Leonard Curtis of Leeds. John Bacon of Arsenal was the other nominee.

Ron, unfortunately, had to absent himself from refereeing duties at Kenilworth Road last Sunday for our regular staff match against the commentators. One of our current Northern Ireland men Danny Wilson stepped in with the whistle...but the commentators still gained revenge for their previous defeat by winning 4-1.

As you will have read, we enrolled our 20,000th member of the club this week since opening for member-

ship on May 15. With so many members, it was clearly sensible to give them first option of tickets for today's very attractive fixture and this is why there is a no guests ruling operating this afternoon.

Our policy of looking after our members in every way has also included providing free entry to our reserve fixtures and the numbers now watching Jim Ryan's team in action average 500 to 600 for each match.

Even in the cold and fog on Tuesday, more than 400 turned out to see our young team beat Stotfold 5-0 in the Bedfordshire Premier Cup first round replay and clinch a second round tie against Vauxhall Motors to be played at the Brache at 7.30pm on the 22nd December.

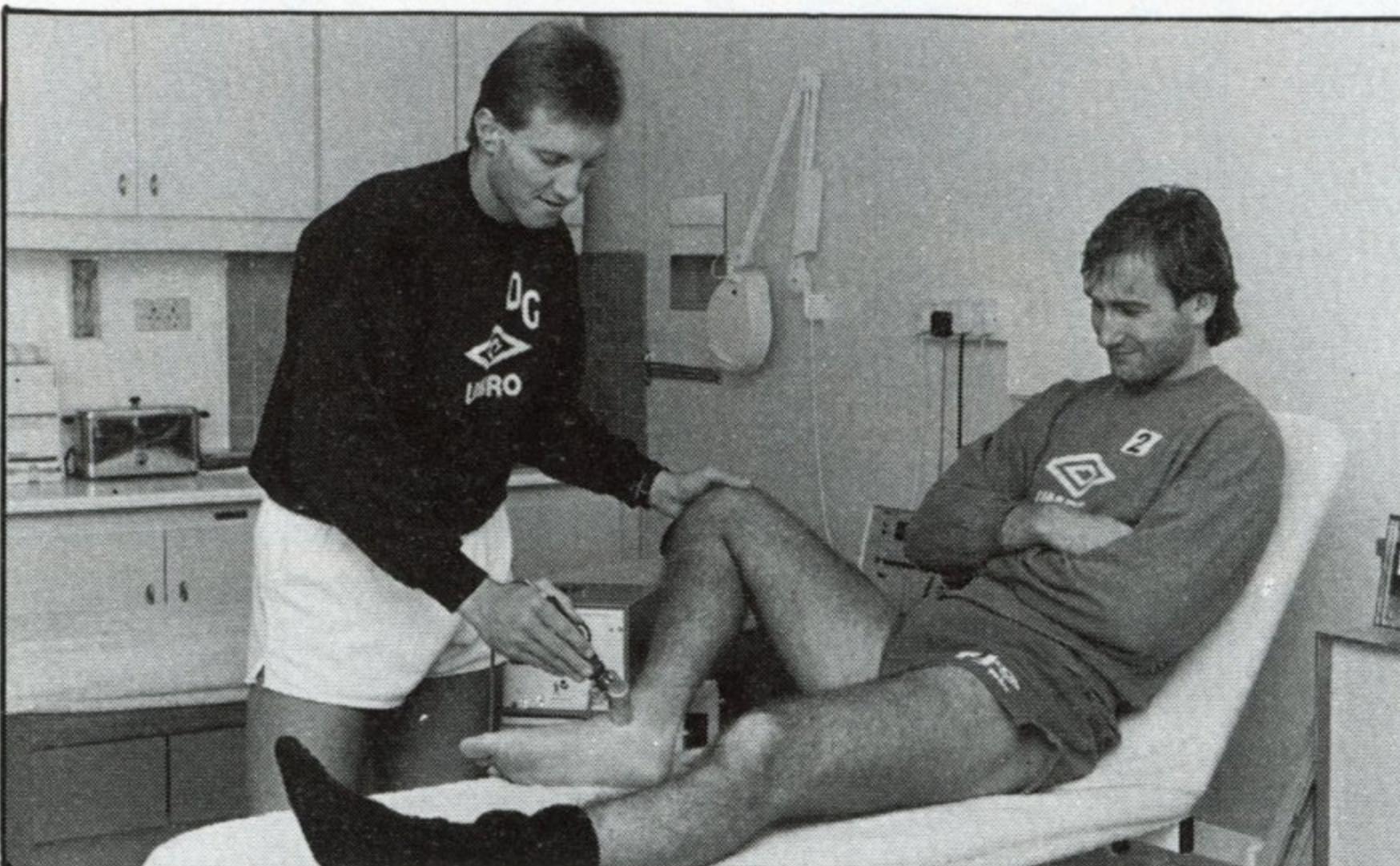
Cup ties

That fixture is one of several cup clashes coming up at all levels of the club with the youth team due to meet Arsenal here in the Southern Junior Floodlit Cup, on a date to be confirmed, and at Highbury in the F.A. Youth Cup on Tuesday, November 28.

Our senior side, of course, won through to the second round of the Zenith Data Cup and a visit to Crystal Palace on Monday the 27th by winning at Oxford last week where it was nice to see to meet so many old friends again.



• Well done Lars: It was cheers all round for our Danish international striker Lars Elstrup last week when he donated his reward for hitting a Littlewoods Cup hat-trick to cancer research. Lars is pictured with Littlewoods Store manager David Robinson and Betty Willett of Cancer Research.



• Busy man: Our physio Dave Galley has been kept in action recently by injuries to Darron McDonough, Mick Harford, David Beaumont and (pictured) Graham Rodger.



• Top Hatter: Iain Dowie, who scored our winning goal against Derby two weeks ago, was also voted as Man of the Match by our sponsors. He is pictured with Dave Watson of F. & R. Cawley.



• Ball sponsors: David Beaumont is pictured with our Derby match ball sponsors Mr & Mrs Paul Lucock. They plan to auction the ball to pay for a window to commemorate their son at Kimpton Methodist Church.

CAPTAIN'S DIARY



DANNY WILSON

FOOTSORE TERRY

We all enjoyed a good laugh last week when we travelled to Oxford for the Zenith Data Cup tie. Assistant manager Terry Mancini was at his most elegant in a natty suit and looked very dapper, except for one little detail - he had no shoes.

Poor Terry had forgotten them and so he arrived at the Manor looking great from the ankles up with a pair of white training shoes on his feet... it was impossible to keep a straight face during the team talk and we all burst out laughing.

Sleepless Night

I must say I felt a lot better than I did before our previous home match when I had spent the Friday night with my son Laurie at the Luton and Dunstable hospital.

Everyone was fantastic there and it was marvellous to know he did not have meningitis after all the tests.

He had a viral infection on his chest and it was very nasty, but he is much better now. Thanks to everyone who wrote in and phoned to wish him well. The support we had was really great and Karen and I are grateful to everyone.

Today we face Manchester United. Let's hear plenty of vocal support again. Thank-you.

1st Team ACTION

RAMS SKINNED BY DOWIE HEADER

Luton Town 1 Derby County 0

Iain Dowie earned the headlines and the glory here two weeks ago when he scored a spectacular first goal in the Barclays League Division One with a brilliant header against Derby County on November 4. It was the 24-year-old striker's first senior goal for the Town and was one he well-deserved for his skill and energy throughout a fascinating 90-minute duel with former England centre-half Mark Wright.

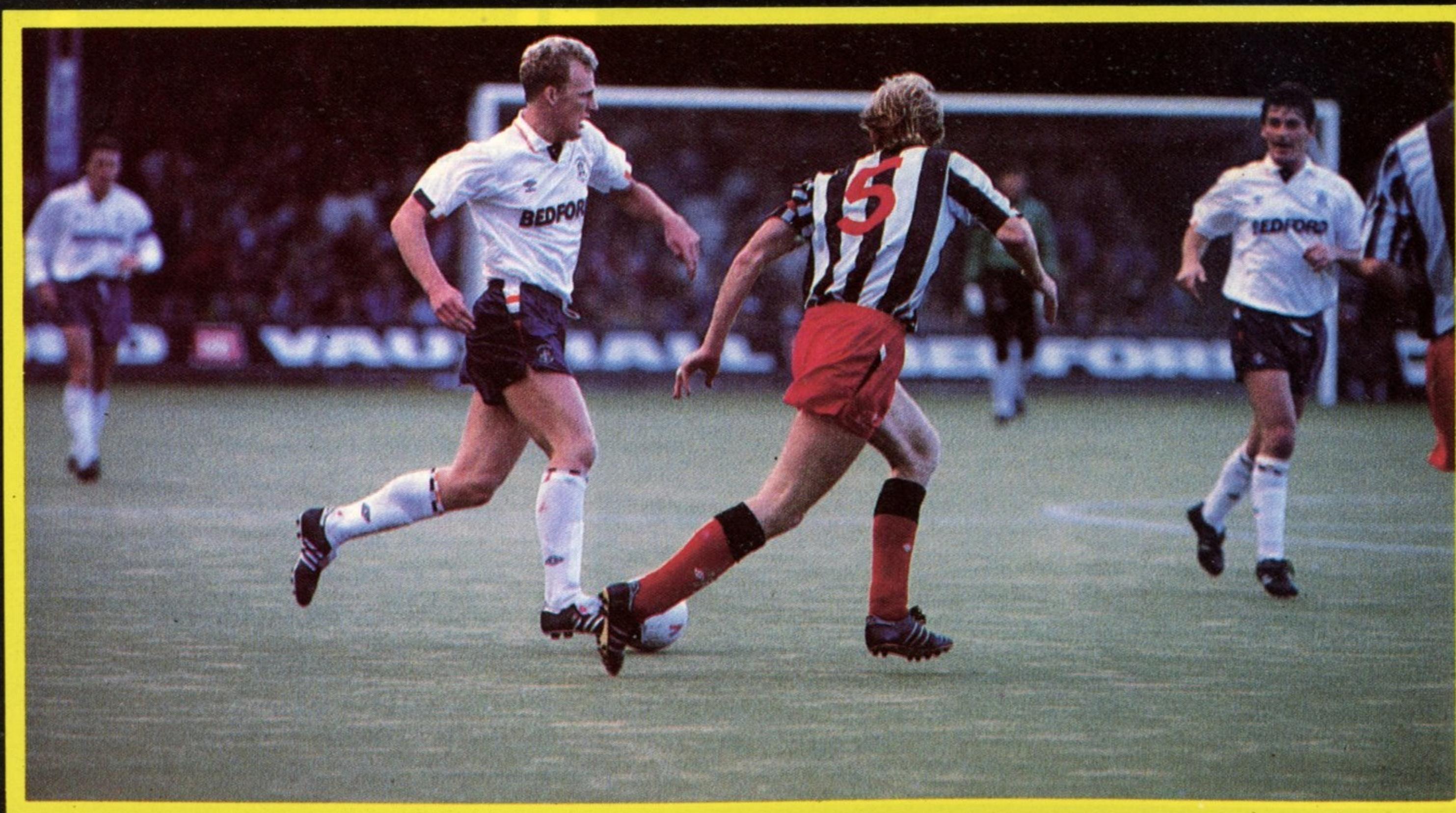
The goal came three minutes after the interval when Danny Wilson swept a long crossfield pass out to Kingsley Black on the left wing. Our Northern Ireland international forward made the most of the time and space he had by crossing accurately to the far post and Dowie, who also recently enjoyed a call up to Billy Bingham's World Cup squad, met the ball with a perfectly-timed jump and header beyond Shilton.

Dowie has also had the ball net after 17 minutes, but that effort – a powerful shot from close range past the England goalkeeper – was disallowed because of an infringement. Derby, attractive in midfield but rarely a threat, kept the game on the boil right to the whistle and Marvin Johnson, making an assured return at centre-half, had to show his pace on several occasions to ensure all three points were retained.

Teams: Luton Town – Chamberlain, Breacker, Dreyer, Wilson, Johnson, Beaumont, Williams, Dowie, Elstrup, Kennedy, Black (Preece 71). Derby County – Shilton, Sage, Forsyth, Williams, Wright, Blades, McMinn, Saunders, Goddard, Hebbard, Micklewhite.

Referee: N. Midgeley (Bolton).

Attendance: 8,919



• Rams beaten: Iain Dowie's first goal in the First Division secured all three points against Derby County a fortnight ago. Our action pictures today show Mick Kennedy, Iain Dowie, Tim Breacker and Kingsley Black in the thick of it. Pictures by Josh Levy of Apex Photography.

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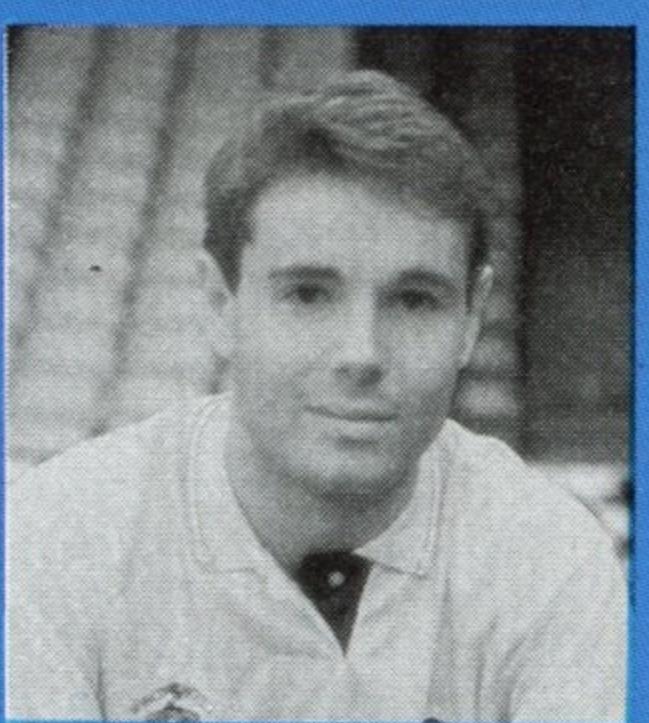
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KINGSLEY BLACK

KINGSLEY BLACK FACT FILE

Born: Luton 22.6.68
First club: Luton Town.
Previous team: St Josephs.
Joined Luton Town: July, 1986
Luton Town league debut: QPR v Luton Town
27.9.87 (0-2)
International caps: 8 for Northern Ireland

Aiming for goals

"It has not been easy because I played quite well in that game and set myself a standard. Everyone seems to expect me to play like that every time I play and it is not always possible," said Kingsley Black as he reflected this week on the progress he has made since playing a starring role in our 3-2 Littlewoods Cup final win over Arsenal in 1988.

"Everyone told me it would take a while to adapt to playing in the First Division every week and it has been true. Last year, it was not always easy at all, but the manager stuck by me and now I feel better for it. I have developed as a player and I am still working on my own game of course.

"I now see myself as more of a wide midfield player than a winger and I have experience of playing up front and on both flanks this season so my game has been developed. It is all good experience for me. I like to get involved in the game and to try and get in the box and score goals.

"Last season I managed to score 10 goals I think, so this year I shall be looking to exceed that. I suppose I am aiming for about 15 this time although I don't really think about targets like that.

"Playing on the right has been a good thing for me because it has given me a chance to do different things. I can gain a yard to cross the ball with my left foot. So many teams prefer to make you go inside now and on the right that means I am going in to use my natural foot and it is quite easy to get a cross in."

This afternoon, Kingsley may find himself up against an old friend and former colleague in Mal Donaghy, one of his team-mates when he is away on international duty with Northern Ireland. "Mal was always a great example to everyone when he was here and we all have great respect for him," said Kingsley. "He knew how to conduct himself. He was always a great example for me."

One of the features of Kingsley's game which has come to the fore recently has been his shooting. It is something he admits he enjoys. "I always like to have a shot if I can especially on our plastic pitch because it can skim along and you always have a chance. I think it is always worth a chance."

"Many people say we don't shoot as much as we used to in England and I think that is probably true. You just have to watch the Continentals. They always have a go and they score some spectacular goals. That is what I try to do."



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BARCLAYS Junior Hatters

CHRISTMAS PARTY ALL PLANNED

This afternoon we welcome Manchester United and our old friend Mal Donaghy back to Kenilworth Road. Mal, if he is playing, will be making his first return to Luton since he moved to United last year and I am sure he will be keen to do well.

He was with us for a long time and we all know him well. He was a guest at many Junior Hatters parties and would probably enjoy himself if he came along this year too!

We are going to hold the party this year at the Holy Ghost Church Hall in Westbourne Road, Luton, on Monday, December 11 from 7pm to 9pm.

There will be plenty going on with a disco and lots of different games. You can book up this afternoon if you go to the Sports Shop in Oak Road after the match. Please remember to bring your membership card with you and book early to avoid disappointment as we only have room for 200 children.

Last weekend, we put out a team of Junior Hatters against Crystal Palace Juniors and it was a really good day out. Everyone enjoyed it very much.

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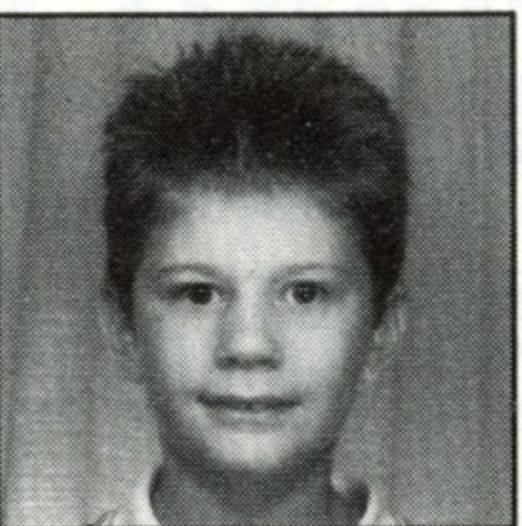
JUNIOR QUIZ

1. Who scored the goals when Luton beat Southampton Last Season?
2. Who is the only Luton Player to have scored a Hat Trick this Season?
3. Name the year that Luton Town Football Club was formed.
4. In Luton's promotion year in 1981/82, two Luton players scored hat tricks. Who?
5. Name the two clubs that were promoted to Division One this season.
6. What year did Luton install floodlights for the first time?

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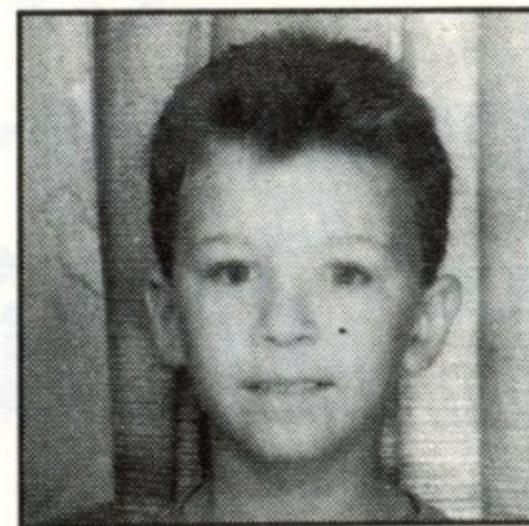
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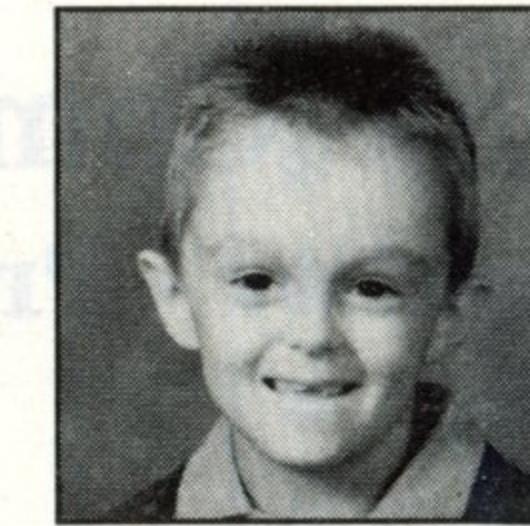


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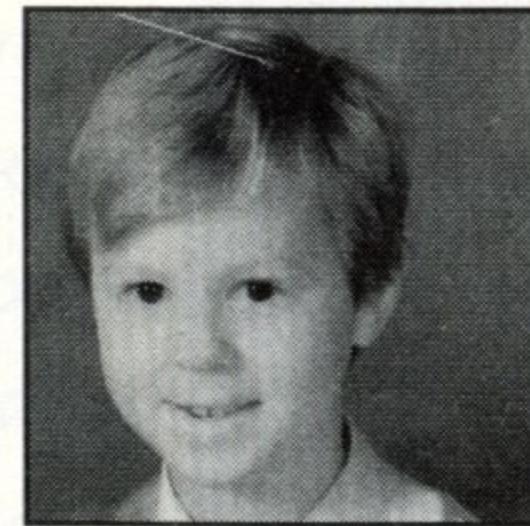
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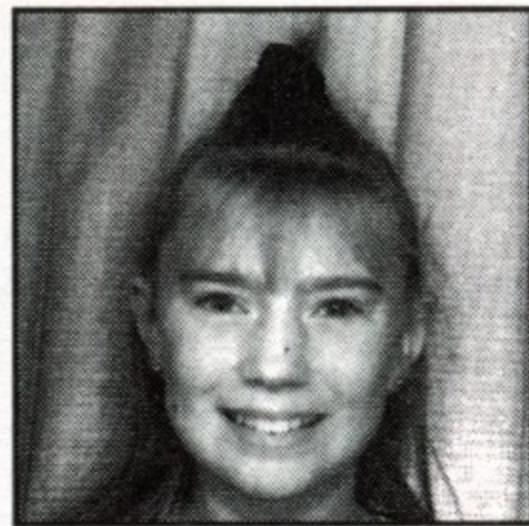
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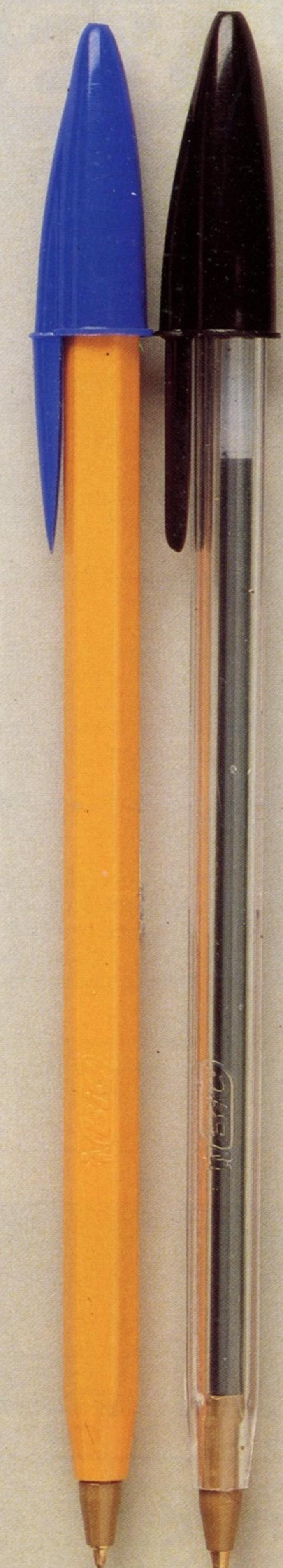
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Our two match day boxes are taken today by Luton International Airport and the Cheltenham and Gloucester Building Society. I hope they enjoy their close-up first-class view of the action.

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Date	Opponents	Result	Date	Opponents	Result
1989/90		F-A	1990		F-A
Aug 19	Arsenal	6-1	Jan 27	Brighton	
Sept 2	Reading	2-0	Feb 3	Millwall	
Sept 9	Tottenham	0-4	Feb 13	Chelsea	
Sept 23	Southampton	1-0	Feb 17	Oxford	
Sept 30	Ipswich Town	3-2	Feb 21	Fulham	
Oct 10	Stofold (BPC1)	4-4	Feb 28	Crystal Palace	
Oct 20	Norwich City	0-2	Mar 3	Southampton	
Oct 28	Watford	3-3	Mar 10	Swindon Town	
Oct 31	Swindon	0-2	Mar 13	Wimbledon	
Nov 7	Millwall	0-0	Mar 21	Ipswich	
Nov 11	West Ham	1-1	Apr 3	Portsmouth	
Nov 14	Stofold (BPC1R)	5-0	Apr 7	QPR	
Nov 25	Fulham		Apr 11	Reading	
Nov 29	Brighton		Apr 18	Crystal Palace	
Dec 2	Watford		Apr 21	Arsenal	
Dec 12	Charlton A		May 1	Charlton A	
Dec 16	Norwich		May 8	Chelsea	
Dec 19	Tottenham				
Jan 2	QPR				
Jan 6	West Ham				
Jan 10	Oxford				
Jan 13	Wimbledon				
Jan 16	Portsmouth				

APPEARANCES AND GOALSCORERS

	Football Combination		Beds Premier Cup	
	Ap's	Gls	Ap's	Gls
Allpress	8(1)	-	1	-
Brown	1(1)	-	-	-
Cobb	2(2)	-	1	-
Cooke	3	2	-	-
Crawshaw	6(2)	2	1	-
Dowie	2	-	-	-
Farrell	1	2	-	-
Gray	4	3	1	2
Harvey	1	-	-	-
Hughes	6(1)	-	-	-
Jackson	2	-	-	-
James	9	1	1	-
Johnson	4	1	1	-
McGonagle	-(1)	-	-	-
Nogan	7(2)	2	-(1)	1
O'Brien	5(1)	1	1	-
O'Sullivan	-(1)	-	-	-
Pembrey	4	-	-	-
Petterson	2	-	1	-
Poutch	8(1)	-	-(1)	-
Rees	8	-	1	1
Rodger	2	-	-	-
Scott	10	1	1	-
Sealey	8	-	-	-
Shanley	2(3)	-	1	-
Telfer	-(1)	-	-	-
Tighe	6	1	-	-



•Aaron Tighe – in control and on the ball.

OVENDEN PAPERS FOOTBALL COMBINATION

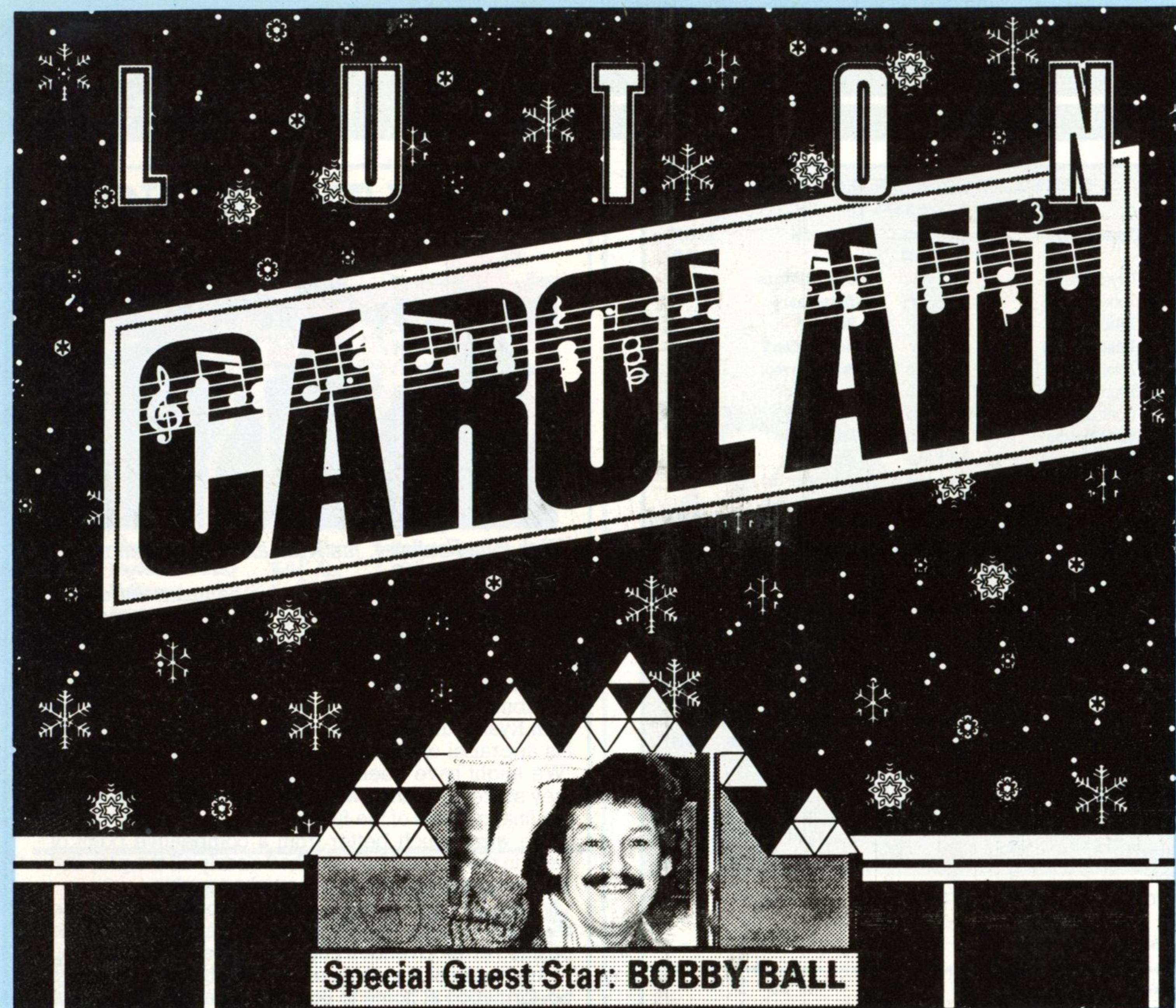
	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Tottenham Hotspur	14	11	1	2	45	21	34
Millwall	15	10	3	2	28	14	33
Arsenal	15	9	2	4	39	30	29
Wimbledon	14	6	5	3	23	17	23
Norwich City	13	7	1	5	18	17	22
Ipswich Town	13	6	3	4	26	24	21
Swindon Town	14	7	0	7	22	24	21
Chelsea	11	6	2	3	30	16	20
Oxford United	12	6	2	4	26	16	20
QPR	12	6	2	4	25	22	20
Luton Town	10	5	2	3	16	14	17
Brighton & Hove	12	5	2	5	21	23	17
Portsmouth	11	3	6	2	13	18	15
Charlton Athletic	13	4	2	7	26	30	14
Crystal Palace	14	3	5	6	20	22	14
Watford	12	2	3	7	18	26	9
Southampton	14	1	4	9	16	27	7
Reading	13	1	4	8	16	36	7
West Ham	13	1	3	9	19	31	6
Fulham	9	2	0	7	7	26	6

SOUTH EAST COUNTIES LEAGUE Division Two 1989/90

Date	Opponents	Result	Date	Opponents	Result
1989		F-A	1990		F-A
Aug 19	Crystal Palace	0-4	Jan 6	Crystal Palace	
Aug 26	Tottenham	2-0	Jan 13	Tottenham	
Sept 2	Reading	1-0	Jan 20	Reading	
Sept 9	Reading (LC)	2-2	Jan 27	Nottingham T	
Sept 13	Aston Villa (SJFC)	1-0	Feb 3	Bristol Rovers	
Sept 18	Reading (LC) (R)	3-2	Feb 10	Southampton	
Sept 25	Northampton T	1-0	Feb 17	Bristol City	
Sept 30	Southampton	2-2	Feb 24	Brighton	
Oct 7	Swindon Town	2-1	Mar 30	Wimbledon	
Oct 14	Bristol Rovers	2-2	Mar 10	Colchester Utd	
Oct 21	Norwich City (LC)	4-1	Mar 17	Swindon Town	
Oct 23	Chelsea (SJFC)	1-0	Mar 24	Bournemouth	
Oct 28	Bristol City	1-0	Mar 31	Aldershot	
Nov 11	Bournemouth	3-0	Apr 7	Oxford	
Nov 18	Wimbledon	2-5	Apr 14	Brentford	
Nov 25	Aldershot	2-0	Apr 21	Brighton	
Dec 2	Colchester	1-0			
Dec 16	Brentford	1-0			

SECL	Lge Cup	SJFC	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
			Ap's	Gls	Ap's	Gls	Ap's	Gls	
Brown	8	4	3	1	2	0			
Campbell	6(2)	3	1	1	1	0			
Cooper	5	-	1	-	1	-			
Gillard	2	-	1	-	1	-			
Gormley	3(5)	-	2(1)	2	-(2)	1			
Jackson	9	3	3	-	2	1			
Lawford	4(4)	-	2	1	1	-			
McGill	9	-	3	-	2	-			
McGonagle	8	-	3	-	2	-			
Nolan	2(1)	-	1(1)	-	1	-			
O'Sullivan	8	2	3	1	2	-			
Rogers	3	-	-(1)	-	1	-			
Rutherford	3(5)	-	2(1)	1	2	-			
Salton	6	1	1	1	1	-			
Telfer	9	-	3	1	2	-			
Thompson	5	-	-(1)	-	-(1)	-			
Watkiss	9	-	3	-	2	-			

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Crystal Palace	10	8	1	11	25	8	17
Wimbledon	11	7	2	2	26	7	16



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MEMORIES OF A CRAFTY CENTRE-FORWARD

by Tim Collings

"I looked round for potential trouble and my eyes fell on this fellow, 10 stone wet through, older than the others. He had been around, including a previous spell at the club. Matt Tees. Watch him? I could hardly take my eyes off him!"

"In training, he could hardly stand up, he didn't look strong enough. In his first game, he scored a hat-trick. He finished the season with 27 goals. A revelation, a marvel - a character the crowd loved and he repaid them in full..."

The writer? Lawrie McMenemy, former manager of Grimsby Town and Southampton, as quoted in a special project sent in to Kenilworth Road by the pupils of the St Thomas Primary School in Boston. Like McMenemy and a host of managers and fans before, they had become bewitched by former Hatter Tees.

To younger fans, Tees will be an unfamiliar name, but to older supporters there will be instant recall of his aerial skills, his experience and his nurturing of the special raw strength and talent of a young striker called Malcolm Macdonald.

Tees was an old-fashioned centre-forward in an age of change and he did his stuff up the middle in the Town team of 1969-70 while Macdonald foraged alongside him, learning the ropes and terrifying goalkeepers with his speed and his power.

Tees made 33 appearances and scored 13 goals but his craft and knowledge, particularly in how to take defenders away and create space, helped create the legend of SuperMac as the Hatters shot to promotion. It was a stirring

campaign with plenty of entertaining football from a forward line that also included Graham French, John Collins, spiderman Keith Allen and, late in the campaign, a young Viv Busby.

Tees was born in Johnstone in Scotland in 1939, did not play football as a boy, began work in a factory at 15 and broke into the game by playing at lunchtimes and being spotted by Penilee Athletic. They were a local team and from there he progressed to semi-professional Cambuslang Rangers (yes, they really existed), Airdrie, Grimsby, Charlton, Luton, back to Grimsby, and, finally, Boston United.

He joined Boston in 1973, by which time he was also working as a fork-lift driver, and only stayed for a season before retiring altogether. He now plays occasional friendly games, coaches his son's youth team, works for a shipping firm and lives in Cleethorpes.

Of his professional days, he has fond memories. Of Luton and Macdonald, he recalled: "He was a bit special. He has speed and strength. Every Friday morning after training, he'd race another fast young player for a bet.

"They'd go the length of the pitch. You'd see this other lad take the lead over the first 15 or 20 yards. Then the power of Macdonald would take over and before they'd reached the end of the pitch he would have overtaken the other lad."

His obvious appreciation of Macdonald's strengths always shone through on the pitch too where Tees' sheer professionalism helped Luton to promotion and a famous centre-forward learned his craft.



• Matt Tees and Malcolm Macdonald in action together against Bristol Rovers in November 1969.

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•Lars Elstrup, who was on World Cup duty with Denmark in Roumania this week, fires in a shot at Selhurst Park during last Saturday's 1-1 draw.



•Kingsley Black's face is a picture of determination as he attempts to break down Palace's defence.

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•Textbook example: Tim Breacker is perfectly balanced with his eyes on the ball as he delivers a centre against Derby during our last home match two weeks ago.



OFF THE RECORD

SATISFYING END TO 48-YEAR WAIT!

Getting to the F.A. Cup semi-final in 1984/85 should have been one of the greatest days in the clubs history but the worrying league position and probable relegation cast a shadow over the proceedings, writes club statistician Roger Wash.

The cup run had hindered league performances as only eleven games had been played since Christmas and with the constant switching of the side to accomodate "cup-tied" David Preece and Peter Nicholas no settled formation could be fielded.

We travelled to Villa Park for the semi-final heartened by a 4-0 win at bottom placed Stoke the previous Saturday which lifted us out of the bottom three for the first time since Boxing Day but after our narrow defeat by Everton we found ourselves, by dint of not playing a league game back among the "dead men".

The chance to "concentrate on the league" came quickly enough with fellow strugglers Norwich the visitors to Kenilworth Road only three days after the semi-final. Cup hangover signs were still visible, however, when Mick Channon scored for the visitors after 14 minutes, a lead they held until half-time.

The second half was a different story with Meka Nwajiobi heading the Town's equaliser from a David Moss cross on 53 minutes. Moss himself scored the second from the spot twenty minutes later with Nwajiobi completing a well earned win with a superb run and shot in the final minute.

The stage was not set for a tilt at one end of our biggest bogey sides, Manchester United, who were the visitors the following Sunday for a televised

OUR LAST FIVE MEETINGS AT KENILWORTH ROAD

1988/89	17/9/88	Luton 0 Man Utd 2 Att: 11,010
1987/88	3/10/87	Luton 1 (Harford) Man Utd 1 Att: 9,137
1986/87	14/3/87	Luton 2 (Harford, B. Stein) Man Utd 1 Att: 12,509
1985/86	8/10/85	Luton 1 (B. Stein) Man Utd 1 Att: 17,454
1984/85	21/4/85	Luton 2 (Harford 2) Man Utd 1 Att: 10,320

IT HAPPENED 15 YEARS AGO THIS WEEK ...

16th November 1974

The town lost 4-2 to high flying Stoke City at the Victoria Ground before a crowd of 20,646. The game marked the debut of Peter Spiring – signed from Liverpool the previous week – and the last but one Town appearance of Alan Garner, a goalscorer that day.

IT HAPPENED 30 YEARS AGO THIS WEEK ...

14th November 1959

George Cummins scored the goal that saw off Tottenham at Kenilworth Road in a Division One clash. This was only the Towns second home win of the season and the first victory for two months.

game. We were not particularly looking forward to the clash as our last, and only, win against United at Kenilworth Road was way back in 1937 and with the previous seasons 5-0 televised thumping still clear in the memory who could blame us.

We were pleasantly surprised when the Town took the game to United and it was only heroics by Gary Bailey that kept the state of play goal-less at half time.

The breakthrough came after 68 minutes when Bailey body-checked Brian Stein who had taken advantage of a poor back-pass and Mick Harford stroked home the resulting penalty.

The lead lasted only 3 minutes before Norman Whiteside equalised following a goalmouth scramble and with the seconds ticking away United seemed fairly satisfied with a draw.

In the final minute David Preece was fouled just outside the area and from the free-kick Steve Foster hit a terrific shot that cannoned off the crossbar. With half-a-dozen players waiting for the ball to drop Harford launched himself above friend and foe to glance a downward header in to the net to seal a memorable victory.

The win set us up for an end of season flourish which eventually saw us finish a safe 13th and perhaps wishing we had got to the Cup Final after all!



• Alan Garner in Town action against another former Hatter Vic Halom. Alan scored for us at Stoke 15 years ago this week.

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WELCOME TO... MANCHESTER UNITED

● This afternoon we are pleased to welcome Manchester United to Kenilworth Road. Last Sunday they won their televised clash with Nottingham Forest 1-0, thanks to a goal from Gary Pallister, and they are currently 11th in the First Division.

● Former Middlesbrough central defender Pallister, who cost United £2.3 million earlier this season, is the most expensive of several players who were bought for large fees by manager Alex Ferguson in the last six months.

● Mike Phelan (from Norwich), Paul Ince (from West Ham) and Danny Wallace (from Southampton) also cost very large sums during the club's search for a squad strong enough to end their long barren period without a major honour.

● The United team on duty at Old Trafford last Sunday was: Leighton, Blackmore, Martin, Bruce, Phelan, Pallister, Robson, Ince, McClair, Hughes, Wallace. The major absentee was long-term injury victim Neil Webb who ruptured his Achilles tendon on England duty in September.

● United's season to date has been dominated by the speculation over the future of the club following a board room upheaval which almost saw chairman Martin Edwards replaced. The deal eventually fell through.

● Managing Manchester United is an arduous and difficult job and current boss Alex Ferguson is the sixth man in the last 20 years to try and follow the successes of Sir Matt Busby.

● Since 1945, the managers of Manchester United have been: Matt Busby (to 1969), Wilf McGuinness (to 1970), Frank O'Farrell (to 1972), Tommy Docherty (1972-77), Dave Sexton (1977-81), Ron Atkinson (1981-86) and Alex Ferguson.

● Manchester United was founded in 1878 when employees of the Lancashire and Yorkshire Railway Company formed Newton Heath Cricket and Football Club. Newton Heath, after winning the Manchester Cup in 1886 and joining the Second Division in 1892, went bankrupt in 1902 when the modern United was formed.

● United's greatest honour is that in 1968, at Wembley, they became the first English club to win the European Cup. They beat Benfica 4-1 at Wembley after extra time with Bobby Charlton scoring twice and George Best and Brian Kidd once each.

● They have also won the First Division championship seven times, the last being in 1967, and the FA Cup six times. Their last FA Cup win was in 1985. Last season, they finished 11th in the First Division. Mark Hughes was their top scorer with 14 of their 45 league goals.



Back Row (left to right): Viv Anderson, Neil Webb, Mike Duxbury, Billy Garton, Lee Sharpe, Mike Phelan, Lee Martin, Mal Donaghy, Steve Bruce. Middle Row: Jim McGregor (Physiotherapist), Archie Knox (Assistant Manager), Giuliano Maiorana, Gary Walsh, Jim Leighton, David Wilson, Russell Beardmore, Norman Davies (Kit Manager). Front Row: Mark Robins, Tony Gill, Colin Gibson, Bryan Robson, Alex Ferguson (Manager), Brian McClair, Mark Hughes, Clayton Blackmore, Ralph Milne.

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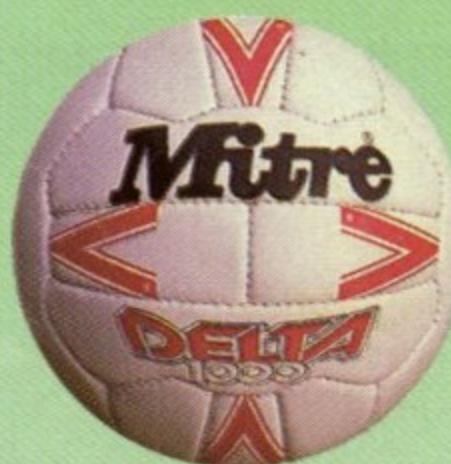
VAUXHALL TEAM CHECK.

LUTON TOWN

Team Manager: Ray Harford
White Shirts, Navy Shorts

- 1 Alec Chamberlain
- 2 Tim Breacker
- 3 Richard Harvey
- 4 Danny Wilson
- 5 Marvin Johnson
- 6 John Dreyer
- 7 Steve Williams
- 8 Roy Wegerle
- 9 Lars Elstrup
- 10 Mick Kennedy
- 11 Kingsley Black

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MANCHESTER UNITED

Team Manager: Alex Ferguson
Red Shirts, White Shorts

- 1 Jim Leighton
- 2 Clayton Blackmore
- 3 Lee Martin
- 4 Steve Bruce
- 5 Mike Phelan
- 6 Gary Pallister
- 7 Bryan Robson
- 8 Paul Ince
- 9 Brian McClair
- 10 Mark Hughes
- 11 Danny Wallace

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