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RYAN'S



Who would have thought we could suffer another batch of injuries as we did last week when we won that exciting victory over Coventry City. Whilst I accept that injuries are all part and parcel of the game, I think it is fair to say we have had more than I could reasonably have expected during the last couple of months. Like everything else, however, there is a positive side and in this case the positive side is that our very good young players have had an opportunity to play in the First Division. A lot of people are involved in working very hard at our club to produce a good youth policy and it is nice to see it producing youngsters for the first team.

Some of our younger players have had a chance to put five or six games together on a run and that will be very good for their confidence and their experience. It is of course difficult for them when they are asked to do so much and all go into the side together but no-one has let us down, as our tremendous support at Villa Park last Saturday will know. The response of our fans there was very encouraging and understanding throughout the whole game. More of the same level of support would be appreciated greatly today.

We are hopeful that David Preece, who did so well for an hour for us against Coventry, will be fit to return today. Danny Wilson has a groin strain and at the time of writing looks doubtful. Marvin Johnson will be out for a long spell now with his broken jaw and Richard Harvey, we hope, will be poised to return. Mick Kennedy has a shoulder injury and it is difficult to predict his level of fitness this week. The rest of our injured men remain as before, working hard for a return, but out of the picture for the time being. Their absence has been an opportunity for our young players and, as last weekend, I hope you will get behind them again. Thank you.

*Jim Ryan
Team Manager*

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Mailbag & Supporters News

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Please write to: The Editor, c/o Luton Town FC., Kenilworth Road Stadium, 1 Maple Road, Luton, Beds. LU4 8AW.

Many thanks

Dear Sir
I wrote recently to the club asking for your help in acquiring the Luton Town v Leicester City programme for season 1978-79. Thanks to your assistance, I managed to acquire two from two generous Hatters fans. To be honest, Luton Town's image has diminished in recent years due to the membership scheme in force at Kenilworth Road, but I now send deepest thanks to all for your time and effort. The two fans who kindly wrote to help me were Mike McCoard of Harpenden and David Lawrence of Luton. To them and all Luton Town fans, my sincere best wishes.

Yours faithfully

Tony Falk

44 Granby Road
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Programmes Wanted

Dear Sir
I am hunting the following programmes to complete my collection of the programmes from the Town's 1987-88 Littlewoods Cup run. The ones I am seeking are: Wigan (away), Ipswich (away), Oxford United (home) and Arsenal in the final. Please contact me on the telephone number below if you can help. Thank-you.

Yours faithfully

John Maher

Luton 414548

Lovely Les!

Dear Sir
I am one of Les Sealey's greatest fans and when I read he had been offered a free transfer I was most upset. So I was wondering, if it is true, maybe I can say 'Goodbye' to him before he leaves.

I know this is a lot to ask but I would be overjoyed if I could see him again before he left, as I am madly in 'love' with him. Thankyou for taking the trouble to read this letter as I am most grateful.

Lots of Love

Clare Fuller

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LUTON TOWN SUPPORTERS CLUB

Dear Fellow Supporter.

Thursday March 8th was yet another enjoyable supporters club evening, Jimmy Ryan and Henry Richardson being our guest speakers. I would like to take this opportunity to thank them both for giving up their free time to come along and spend two hours answering questions put to them from the floor. As supporters we are very fortunate there are not many club managers or directors that would be prepared to face the fans in a question and answer session especially if their club was going through a difficult patch as we are - thank you Jimmy and Henry.

Two dates for your diary:

Monday 19th March 7.30 in the Joe Payne Lounge, guest speaker Mike Langley of the

Sunday People, tickets available today after the match.

Sunday 29th April, our presentation evening at the Coliseum, 7-11. Disco and buffet price £6. Please book your tickets early to avoid disappointment. We will be presenting trophies for supporters player of the year, players', player and young player. Your voting forms will be in your newsletter arriving later this week.

On closing my letter, may I please make a plea to you - 'boooing' the players achieves nothing. They need our support.

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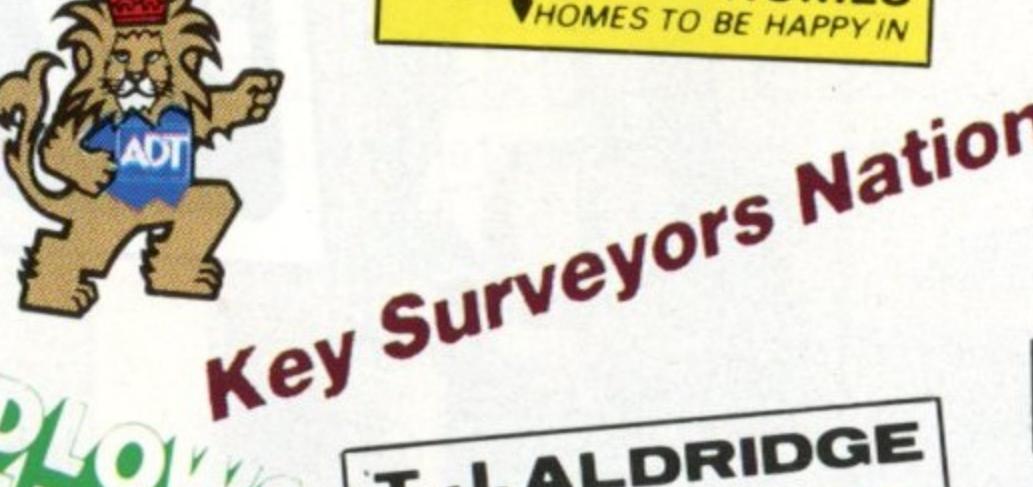
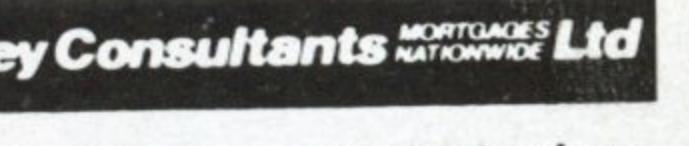
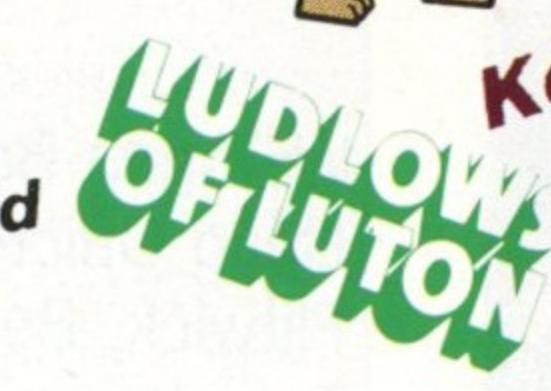
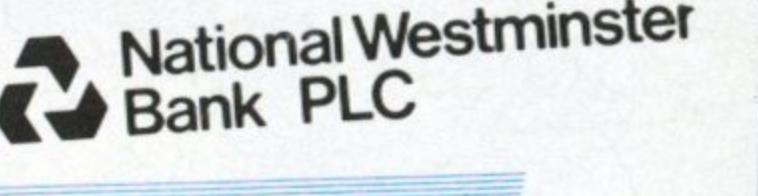
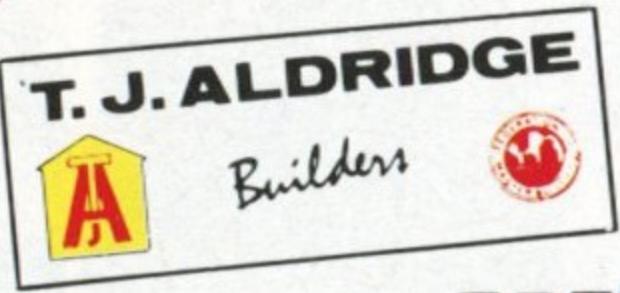
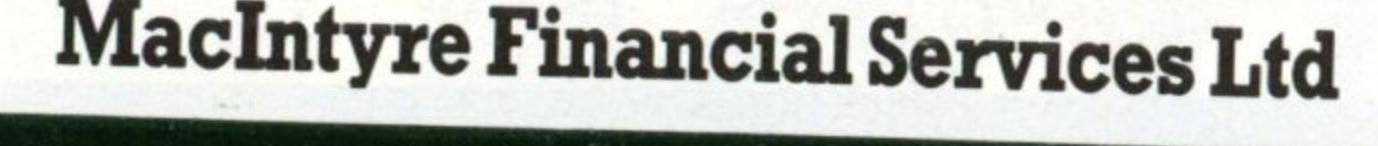
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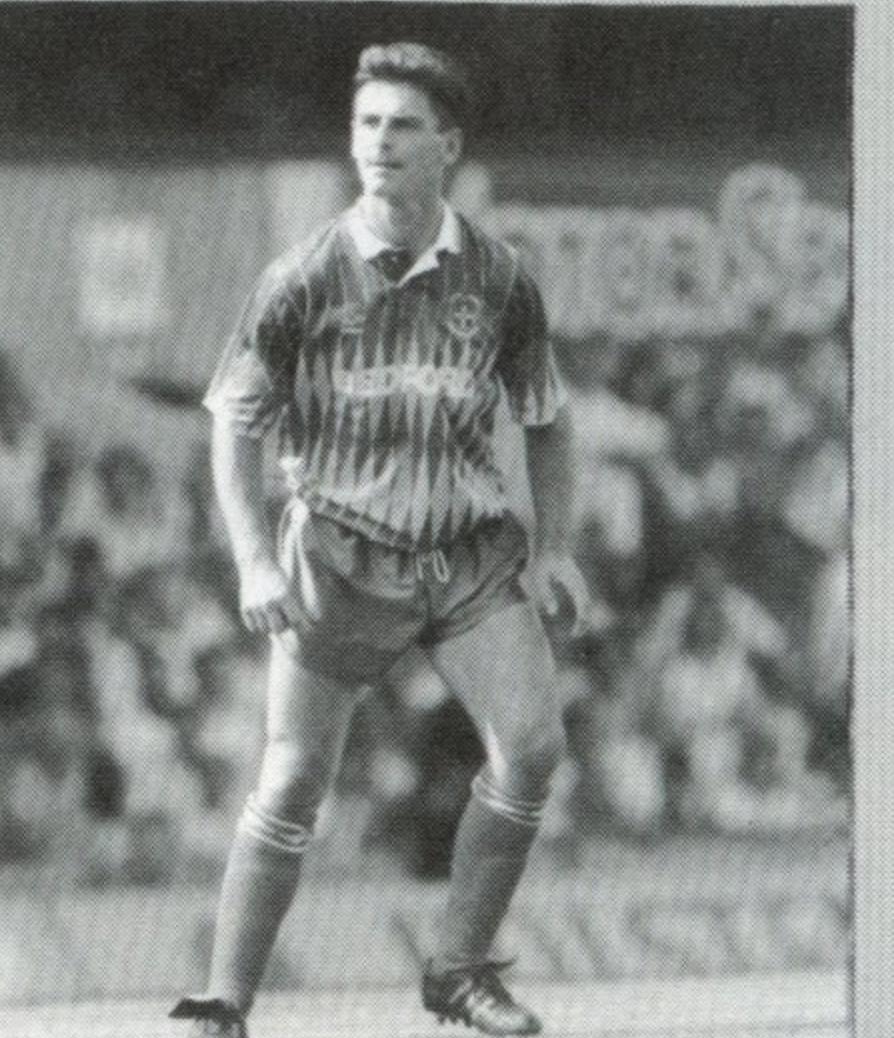
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•Fighting for fitness: Mick Kennedy is hoping to shrug off a shoulder injury to play today.

Business pressures lead to resignation

Mounting business pressures led to the resignation this week of one of our directors Mr Ray Pinney who joined the board last July.

Mr Pinney had been involved with our chairman Mr Roger Smith in discussions relating to the long-term future of the club.

But he has now stepped down, said Mr Smith, and together with a former club chairman Mr Denis Mortimer, who had also been in similar discussions, is no longer involved at the present time in any plans to re-finance the club.

Dangerous gems

All footballers whether playing on Saturdays, Sundays or just kickabouts during the week should be aware of the dangers posed by wearing jewellery or dentures during a game.

Each season the Football League and Professional Footballers' Association write to clubs to remind them of the dangers and this year the P.F.A. have circulated a poster.

The message on the poster says: "Please ensure that before entering the field of play that all jewellery and dentures are stored in the dressing rooms as failure to do so can cause serious injury. Offending players can be asked to leave the field."

Did you know?

Did you know that the Millwall Lionesses, a ladies team affiliated to the Women's Football Association and created out of the Lions' own community scheme, were recently unbeaten in eight games this season in which they had scored 58 goals? A roaring success!

David goes back to school for a spot of fun coaching

David Beaumont went back to school for the day recently when he and our youth development officer Paul Lowe dropped in at the Dallow Road Junior School to give a light-hearted coaching demonstration.

The session was aimed at putting the accent on skills and enjoyment for the schoolchildren involved and was just one of a series Paul has arranged to help local youngsters get the best tips from the top.

"They are good fun sessions and we all enjoy them. The game is for enjoyment after all and anyone who wants to do well in football must always love the game first and foremost," said Paul. "We certainly do and that is what we hope comes over to all the youngsters."

"There is so much competitive football these days it is always a good thing for the youngsters to be able to sit back and do something different and still enjoy it. And learning from someone like David makes it all extra worthwhile for them."



•David Beaumont and Paul Lowe worked on skills at their visit to the Dallow Road Junior School (top) and afterwards lined-up with all the young players for this group picture (below).



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Luton Town v Millwall

Saturday, March 24, 1990, kick-off 3pm

Tickets for this match are now on sale at the ticket office in Kenilworth Road.

NORWICH CITY v LUTON TOWN

Saturday, March 31, 1990, kick-off 3pm

Tickets for seats for this match are now on sale at £7 from the ticket office. There will be none available on the day of the match.

Tickets for standing will be available at £4 on the day of the match only. There will be no concessions.

CHELSEA v LUTON TOWN

Saturday, April 7, 1990, kick-off 3pm

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Luton Town v Arlesey Town

Tuesday, March 27, 1990, kick-off 7.45pm

Second leg

Arlesey Town v Luton Town

Thursday, April 5, 1990, kick-off 7.30pm

LODGINGS REQUIRED FOR YOUNG PLAYERS

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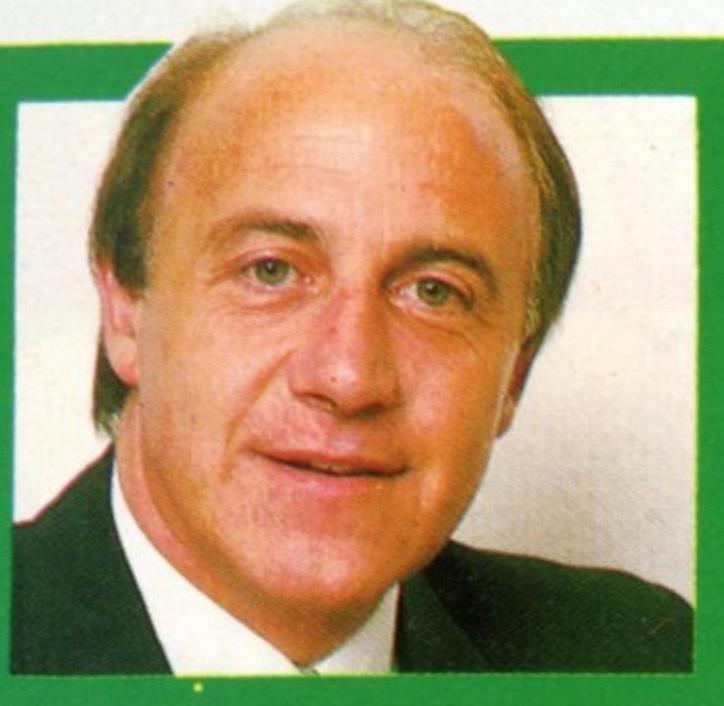
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by BILL TOMLINS

THE TOWN

DRESSING ROOM SPIRIT REMAINS GOOD DESPITE FRUSTRATIONS

Welcome to Manchester City. I know all our supporters, like myself and our team manager Jim Ryan, had been hoping to confirm the possible purchase of Rony Rosenthal this week as a boost to the club as we go into the very important last quarter of the season.

This has not happened however and, with the present injury situation, we have to give great credit to Jim and our young players for their spirited and excellent performances. Jim's belief in their potential has clearly been proven alongside the example of their senior team-mates.

Indeed, talking about young players is not really accurate. They are our first team players and have proved that and deserve to enjoy that status whatever other labels are put on them.

Having spoken to other clubs about work permit applications, it seems they can take up to or more than six weeks to be processed and ratified. I know West Ham had one application rejected last year and not finally approved until February for their goalkeeper.

Obviously, we understand the protection of our own national and EEC players is necessary but in the case of Rony we have been

talking of a £500,000 transfer being badly affected as he could be available finally for only a bare handful of games

The directors, having agreed terms with Liege and the player, now believe the viability of the transfer deal is doubtful in the long-term. At the time of writing, however, Jim Ryan and I have been continuing to press the Department of Employment for a permit.

At the end of the day, it has to be in the interests of the team for the situation to be resolved quickly as the longer it continues the more distracting it becomes to everyone.

This was evident last Wednesday when some of our supporters showed their early disappointment and gave vent to it during the match with Coventry. I know, and so do the players deep down, that this is pure frustration, but it is much better if the crowd can get behind the team and help to earn the points.

Backing the players is important, particularly with a young team, and can be of real assistance to them at this time as they give their utmost to help us preserve our First Division status.

CHAT SHOW



• Tony Gubba, the BBC Television presenter was the guest speaker for our sponsors Vauxhall before the Southampton match.

SAD NIGHT FOR MARVIN

•Unlucky Marvin Johnson is pictured being carried off on a stretcher after breaking his jaw in the final minutes of our home win over Coventry. Marvin's painful injury has been treated and he is likely to be out of action for at least six weeks. We wish him a speedy recovery.



•Top Hatter: Kingsley Black was our sponsors' man of the match against Coventry. He is pictured with Luton International Airport director David Bates.



•Ball sponsors: David Beaumont presents a match ball to our Coventry match sponsors, the Milton Keynes branch of the Luton Town Supporters Club.



•Ready for kick-off: Our captain Danny Wilson and Coventry's Trevor Peake are pictured with mascot Neil Roberts and the match officials.

CAPTAIN'S DIARY



DANNY WILSON

PAINFUL BATTLES

I have got to say I have been feeling pretty sore for the last week or so after our great win over Coventry. With such a young team and in the face of all sorts of adversity that night, it was a real show of character by the lads.

I know it is frustrating for our supporters to see things not going well all the time, but it is really important to back our young players in the team – and I am pleased to say the support at Villa Park last Saturday was really great. It makes a big difference.

Groin Strain

I was feeling sore though for another reason of course – a groin strain. I did it twice in the second half and with both substitutes used I had to carry on. It kept me out at Villa Park and it could be touch-and-go this week against Manchester City.

Despite everything, however, the spirit among the players in the dressing room is great. The atmosphere is brilliant and we are all bubbling as we go into the last section of the season. Join in and help. Thankyou.

1st Team ACTION

VILLAINOUS LUCK

Aston Villa 2 Luton Town 0

A young, inexperienced and commendably spirited Town team took on the league leaders with great boldness at Villa Park last weekend, but were undone by the pace of Tony Daley and the marksmanship of David Platt.

Their two goals, one midway through the first half and the other shortly after the interval, ensured Graham Taylor's team stayed in the title race, but left the Hatters reflecting on what might have been on an other day.

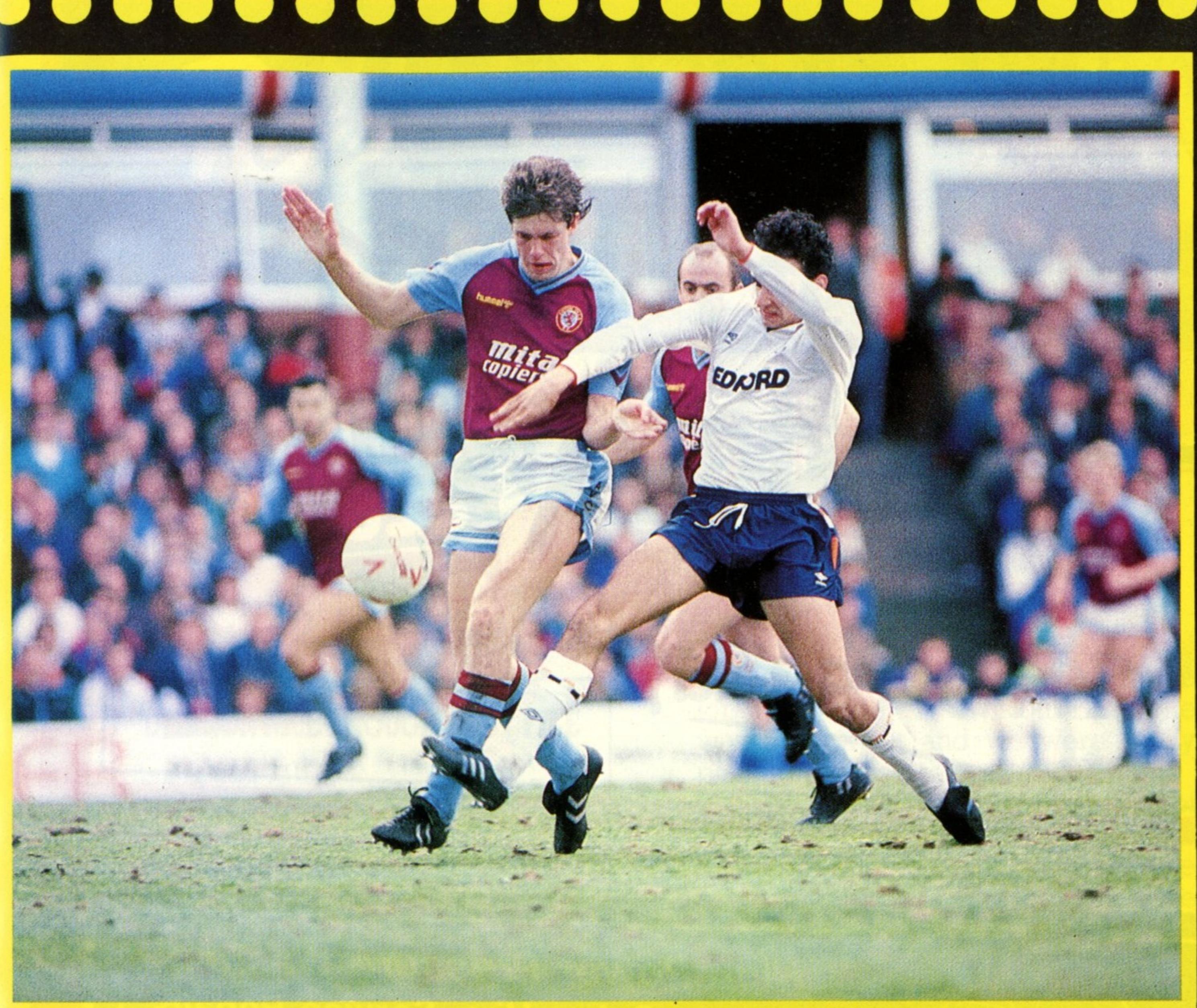
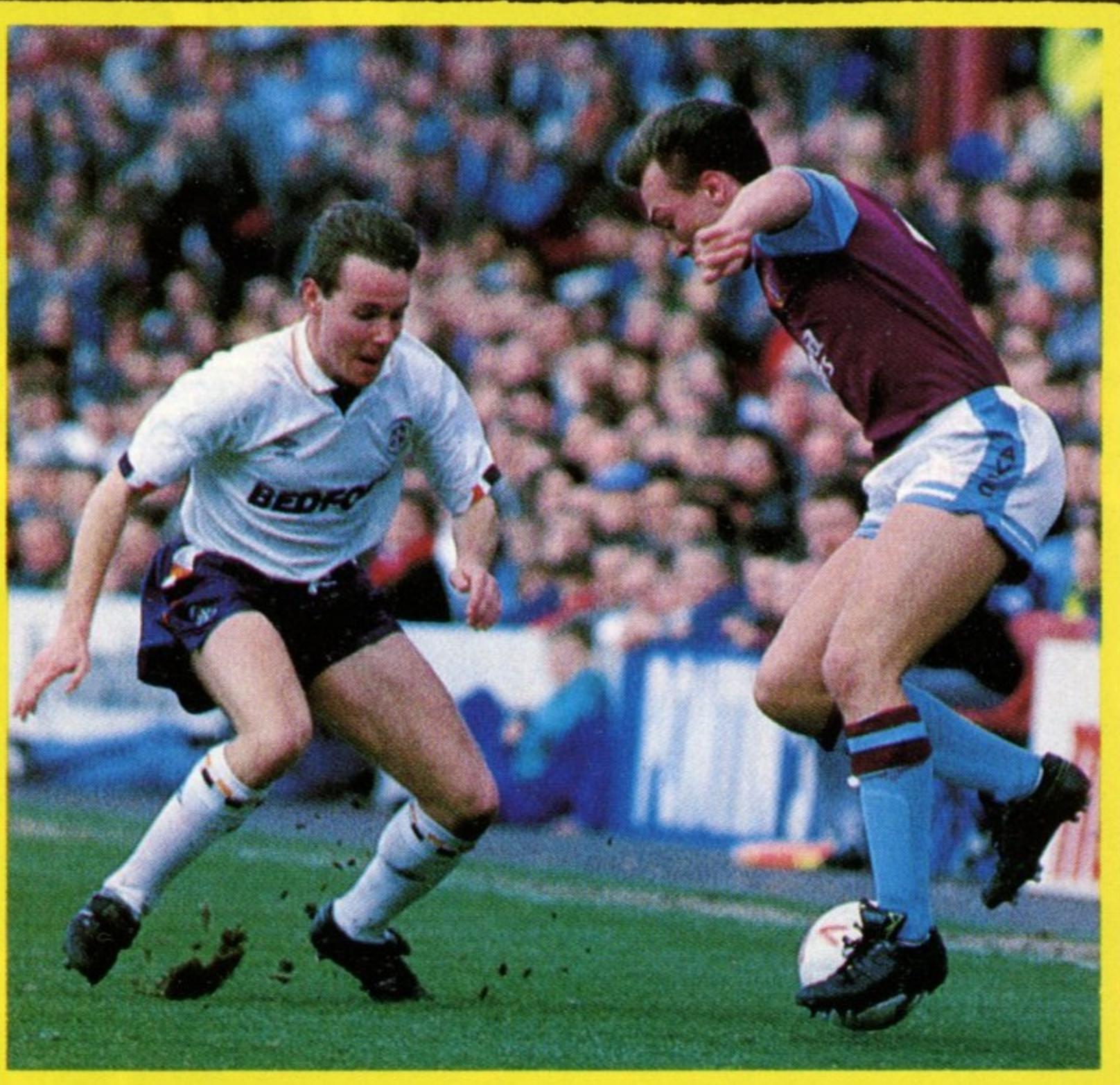
Missing Danny Wilson, David Preece and Richard Harvey though more injuries to add to those which have already badly hit the squad, the Town brought in Tim Allpress and Ceri Hughes for their league debuts and had Neil Poutch and Paul Gray on the substitutes' bench. Both played on a day when less than half the Town team could be described as experienced First Division men but no one let the club or the team down in a whole-hearted performance.

Teams: Aston Villa - Spink, Price, Gage, McGrath, S. Gray, Nielsen, Daley, Platt, Olney, Cowans, Williams, Subs: Birch, Gallacher.

Luton Town - Chamberlain, Breacker, Allpress, Kennedy, James, Dreyer, Rees (Poutch 60), Nogan, Dowie, Hughes (P. Gray 75), Black.

Referee: J. Martin (Alton).

Attendance: 22,505



• **Young guard:**
Kingsley Black, Julian James, Kurt Nogan and Jason Rees are pictured in action at Villa Park last week. All the youngsters in the team have performed valiantly in recent weeks. Pictures by Josh Levy of Apex Photography, Milton Keynes.

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League debut: Notts County v Oldham Athletic
13.12.80 (0-2)

Previous clubs: Oldham Athletic
Joined Luton Town: 1986

conceding goals and we were in the top 10 in the First Division. Everyone was enjoying it and we were really playing well as a team.

"Since then it has all changed of course. We have had a terrible run of injuries and it has never been possible to get a settled side. The kids who have come in have all done well and proved the club has a great future, but it is very difficult when they all come in together.

"It is a different thing if they can be brought in one or two at a time with plenty of experienced players around them. But to bring in five or six at a time is another matter altogether.

For Darren personally, the 1989-90 season will be one to forget as he is now currently struggling to overcome a hamstring injury below his knee. He said the dislocated shoulder he suffered against Wimbledon last September is now much better.

"That's okay," he said. "Now I've got another niggling injury to get over. It is just one thing after another. It can really get you down when it goes on and on.

"You need to ask my wife what I'm like really. I don't think I've been too bad, but I do get a bit fed up. When I am at work at the club with the lads it is different. But sometimes I do feel a bit quiet for the odd day".



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- Our win at home last week against Coventry City lifted us out of the bottom three.
- I know we lost at Aston Villa last Saturday, but the lads and myself have studied the games that we have to play, and the teams that are fighting relegation with us.
- We think 41 points will keep us in the First Division – and we hope we can start by adding three points to our tally today.
- Next Saturday we are entertaining the Junior Lions of Millwall. We will be playing football against them in the morning, and the Junior Lions will be watching the game at the invitation of the Junior Hatters.
- I will be running two teams, one for 11 years and under and one for 12 years and over. If you would like to play football for the Junior Hatters on this day call in to the Sports Shop and put your name down today after the game.
- Next Saturday, March 31st, I am running a coach to Norwich. The coach will leave from the top end of Oak Road at 9.00am sharp.
- As the Junior Canaries do not have a football team, we have arranged to call in to Duxford Imperial Aircraft Museum on the way through.
- This is by popular request as we did the same thing last season and everyone enjoyed it so much.
- The price for the coach will be £5.00 for Juniors and £6.00 for Adults. To save any disappointment on the football or the Norwich trip, book today in the Oak Road Sports Shop.

Kingsley Black

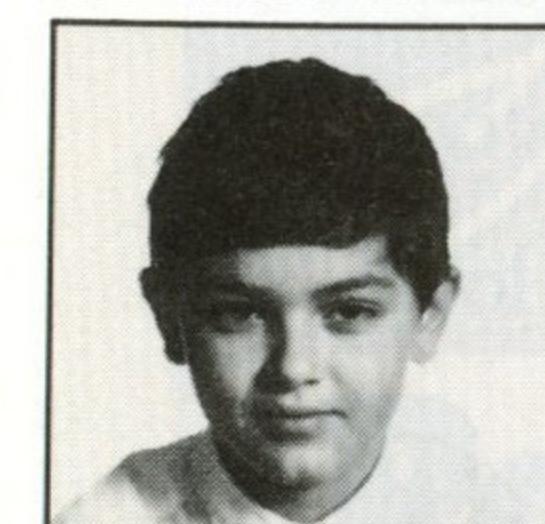
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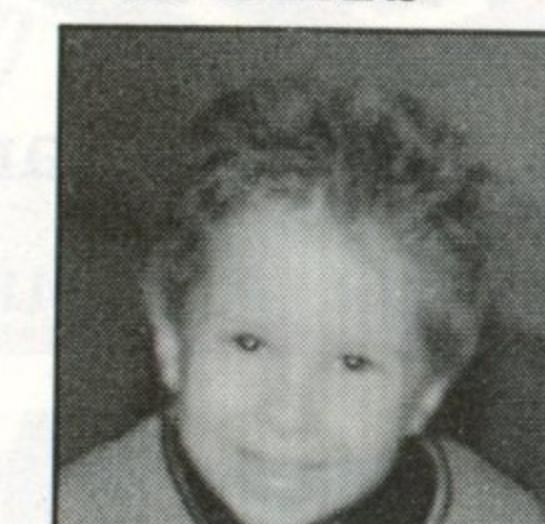
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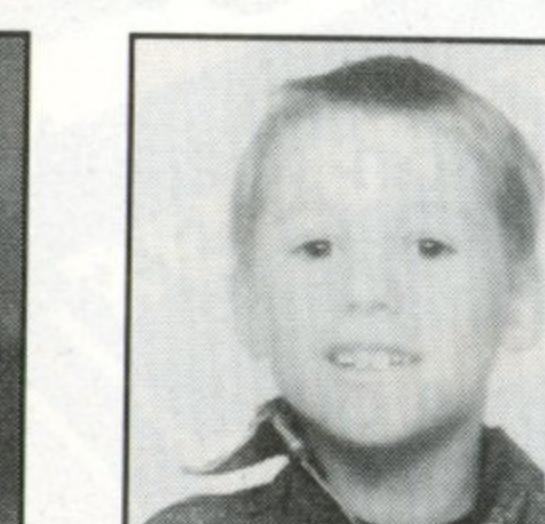


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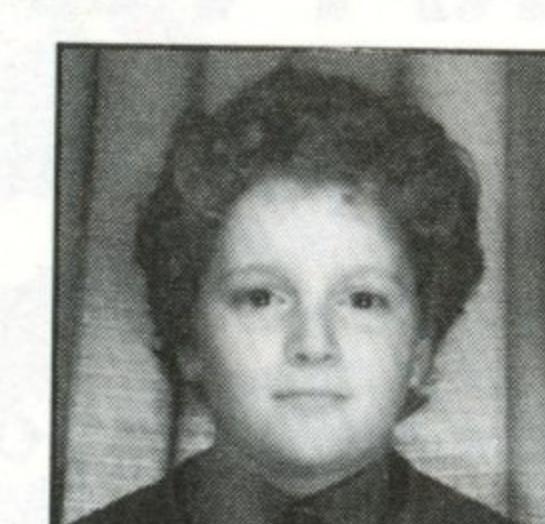
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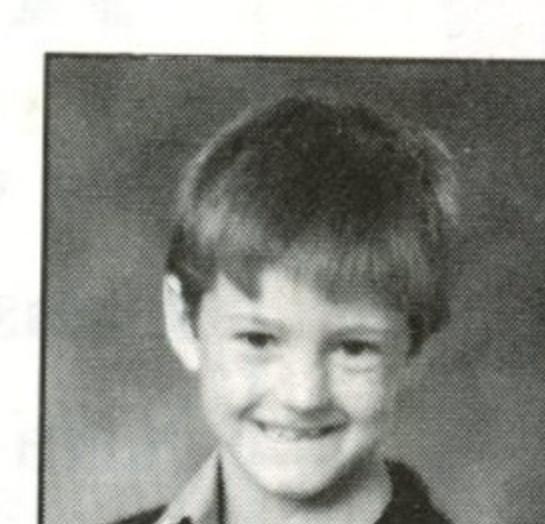
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Our match day executive boxes today are taken by Peter Doyle of Convoy Installations, who fabricate and install structural steelwork, and by Luton International Airport.

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OVENDEN PAPERS FOOTBALL COMBINATION 1989/90

Date	Opponents	Result	Date	Opponents	Result
1989/90	F-A	1990	F-A		
Aug 19	Arsenal	6-1	Jan 10	Oxford	0-3
Sept 2	Reading	2-0	Jan 13	Wimbledon	3-4
Sept 9	Tottenham	0-4	Jan 16	Portsmouth	2-3
Sept 23	Southampton	1-0	Jan 24	Dunstable (BPCSF)	0-0
Sept 30	Ipswich Town	3-2	Jan 27	Brighton	5-1
Oct 10	Stofield (BPC1)	4-4	Jan 30	Dunstable (BPCSFR)	3-0
Oct 20	Norwich City	0-2	Feb 13	Chelsea	2-2
Oct 28	Watford	3-3	Feb 17	Oxford	3-0
Oct 31	Swindon	0-2	Feb 21	Fulham	3-0
Nov 7	Millwall	0-0	Feb 28	Crystal Palace	2-1
Nov 11	West Ham	1-1	Mar 3	Southampton	2-3
Nov 14	Stofield (BPC1R)	5-0	Mar 10	Swindon Town	2-2
Nov 25	Fulham	5-0	Mar 13	Wimbledon	1-1
Nov 29	Brighton	1-2	Mar 21	Ipswich	
Dec 2	Watford	1-1	Mar 27	Arlesey (BPCF1)	
Dec 12	Charlton A	0-1	Apr 3	Portsmouth	
Dec 16	Norwich	0-2	Apr 5	Arlesey (BPCF2)	
Dec 19	Tottenham	1-0	Apr 7	QPR	
Dec 22	Vauxhall Motors (BPC2)	2-1	Apr 11	Reading	
Jan 2	QPR	2-4	Apr 18	Crystal Palace	
Jan 6	West Ham	2-2	Apr 21	Arsenal	
			May 1	Charlton A	
			May 8	Chelsea	

BPC = Bedfordshire Premier Cup

Football Combination

	Ap's	Gls	Beds Premier Cup	Ap's	Gls
Allpress	22(1)	1		4(1)	-
Brown	2(3)	-		(2)	-
Campbell	-1(1)	-		1	-
Cobb	13(6)	2		4(1)	2
Cooke	12	4		1	-
Cooper	-	-		1	-
Crawshaw	14(5)	4		3	2
Dowie	4	2		-	-
Elstrup	1	2		1	-
Farrell	1	2		-	-
Gillard	1(2)	-		2	-
Gormley	(1)	-		-	-
Gray	14	7		3	2
Harvey	1	-		-	-
Hughes	21(2)	1		3	2
Harford	1	1		-	-
Jackson	6	-		1	-
James	9	1		1	-
M.Johnson	9	1		2	-
Lawford	(4)	-		-	-
McDonough	4	-		2	-
McGonagle	2(3)	1		-	-
Nogan	14(3)	5		2(1)	3
O'Brien	5(1)	1		1	-
O'Sullivan	3(4)	1		-	-
Pembridge	19(1)	1		2	-
Petterson	13	-		2	-
Poutch	23(2)	1		4(1)	-
Rees	17(2)	2		4	2
Rodger	5	-		-	-
Rosenthal	2	3		-	-
Rutherford	(1)	-		-	-
Salton	7(2)	1		-1(1)	-
Scott	24(1)	2		5	-
Sealey	15	-		3	-
Sharley	2(3)	-		1	-
Telfer	2(7)	1		1(2)	-
Tighe	11	1		1	-
Thompson	-	-		(1)	-
Williams	9(1)	1		-	-



• Neil Poutch is pictured in action on his First Division league debut at Aston Villa last week. Well done, Neil – and what an example to all the rest of our youngsters.

OVENDEN PAPERS FOOTBALL COMBINATION

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Millwall	33	19	9	5	54	30	66
Tottenham Hotspur	29	21	2	6	75	35	65
Arsenal	29	20	4	5	68	44	64
Norwich City	29	17	4	8	55	30	55
Chelsea	28	15	5	8	60	38	50
Wimbledon	29	14	6	9	52	38	48
Oxford United	29	12	7	10	53	43	43
Swindon Town	31	13	3	15	49	56	42
Brighton & Hove	29	12	5	12	43	49	41
West Ham	28	11	6	11	60	50	39
Luton Town	28	10	7	11	52	46	37
Ipswich Town	29	10	4	15	47	53	34
Portsmouth	25	7	11	7	26	34	32
QPR	26	9	4	13	42	59	31
Crystal Palace	25	8	6	11	37	35	30
Charlton Athletic	25	7	4	14	37	49	25
Reading	28	6	7	15	44	75	25
Watford	26	5	8	13	41	61	23
Southampton	28	4	8	16	27	50	20
Fulham	28	4	4	20	19	63	16

SOUTH EAST COUNTIES LEAGUE

	F-A	1990	F-A	
1989				
Aug 19	19 Crystal Palace	0-4	Dec 9 Leyton Orient LC3	3-2
Aug 26	20 Tottenham	2-0	Dec 12 Arsenal (SJFC3)	0-4
Sept 2	2 Reading	1-0	Dec 16 Brentford	0-0
Sept 9	9 Reading (LC)	2-2	Jan 6 Crystal Palace	1-4
Sept 13	13 Aston Villa (SJFC1)	1-0	Jan 13 Tottenham	4-2
Sept 18	18 Reading (LC) (R)	3-2	Jan 20 Reading	1-1
Sept 25	25 Northampton T	1-0	Jan 27 Northampton T	1-1
Sept 30	30 Southampton	2-2	Feb 3 Bristol Rovers	0-3
Oct 7	7 Swindon Town	2-1	Feb 17 Bristol City	2-5
Oct 14	14 Bristol Rovers	2-2	Feb 24 Brighton	1-1
Oct 21	21 Norwich City (LC)	4-1	Feb 27 Brighton (LCSF)	0-2
Oct 23	23 Chelsea (SJFC2)	1-0	Mar 3 Wimbledon	0-2
Oct 28	28 Bristol City	1-0	Mar 10 Colchester Utd	0-5
Nov 11	11 Bournemouth	3-0	Mar 12 Brighton (LCSF)	
Nov 18	18 Wimbledon	1-1	Mar 17 Swindon Town	
Nov 25	25 Aldershot	3-3	Mar 24 Bournemouth	
Nov 28	28 Arsenal (FAYC2)	2-2	Mar 31 Aldershot	
Dec 2	2 Colchester	1-1	Apr 7 Oxford	
Dec 6	6 Arsenal FAYC2R	2-4	Apr 14 Brentford	
			Apr 21 Brighton	
	SEC Lge		SJFC	
	Aps	Gls	Aps	Gls
Brading	-	-	-	-
Brown	16(1)	9	54	2
Campbell J	17(3)	6	3	1
Campbell M	1(1)	-	-	-
Carter	1(2)	-	-	-
Cooper	18	-	2(1)	-
Denham	1	-	-	-
Dibley	(5)	-	-	-
Elliott	1	-	-	-
Gillard	5(1)	-	3	1
Gormley	14(6)	3	3(2)	2
Hancock	9	-	1(2)	1
Hawkes	1	-	-	-
Heath	(1)	-	-	-
Holtham	1	-	-	-
Jackson	15	3	5	1
Kenny	1	-	-	-
Lawford	11(6)	1	3(1)	1
McGill	20(1)	-	5	3
McGonagle	18	1	4	1
Meldrum	2(1)	-	-	-
Murray	2(5)	1	-	-
Noland	4(2)	-	1(1)	1
O'Sullivan	13	2	5	3
Rogers	3(1)	-	(1)	-
Rodger	-	-	-	-
Rutherford	3(6)	-	2(1)	1
Salton	14	1	3	2
Sutton	2	-	-	-
Telfer	18	-	5	1
Tilly	-	-	(1)	-

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EUROPEAN SUPER LEAGUE A CASE OF PARALLEL LINES DIVERGING

The recent talk of the formation of a European Super League to include all of the Continent's biggest and richest clubs - eg AC Milan, Real Madrid, Barcelona, Bayern Munich, Juventus, Internazionale, PSV Eindhoven and Marseilles - has sparked off enormous debate within the game.

Here is one example of the feelings from within football as written in a recent issue of the Barclays League Bulletin:

"Last weekend's rather presumptuous speculation that the formation of a European Super League was imminent certainly received a less than enthusiastic reaction from many within football. Moreover, the proposals outlined in press reports on Sunday broke no ice with the football authorities either in Scotland, where the speculation seemed to emanate from, nor south of the border.

Much of the scepticism is borne out of the belief that the concept of a European Super League running in parallel with the domestic league championship is fundamentally flawed. And it is naive to believe that the clubs who are excluded would tolerate being used as a stepping stone to the ultimate formation of an autonomous European competition.

How, for instance, could a parallel operation be

contemplated when the financial rewards for participating in a European League would be so immense. Indeed, they would be on such a scale, and estimates of between £12 million and £15 million per annum for each participating club have been mooted, that the privileged few would have an unmitigated advantage over their domestic counterparts.

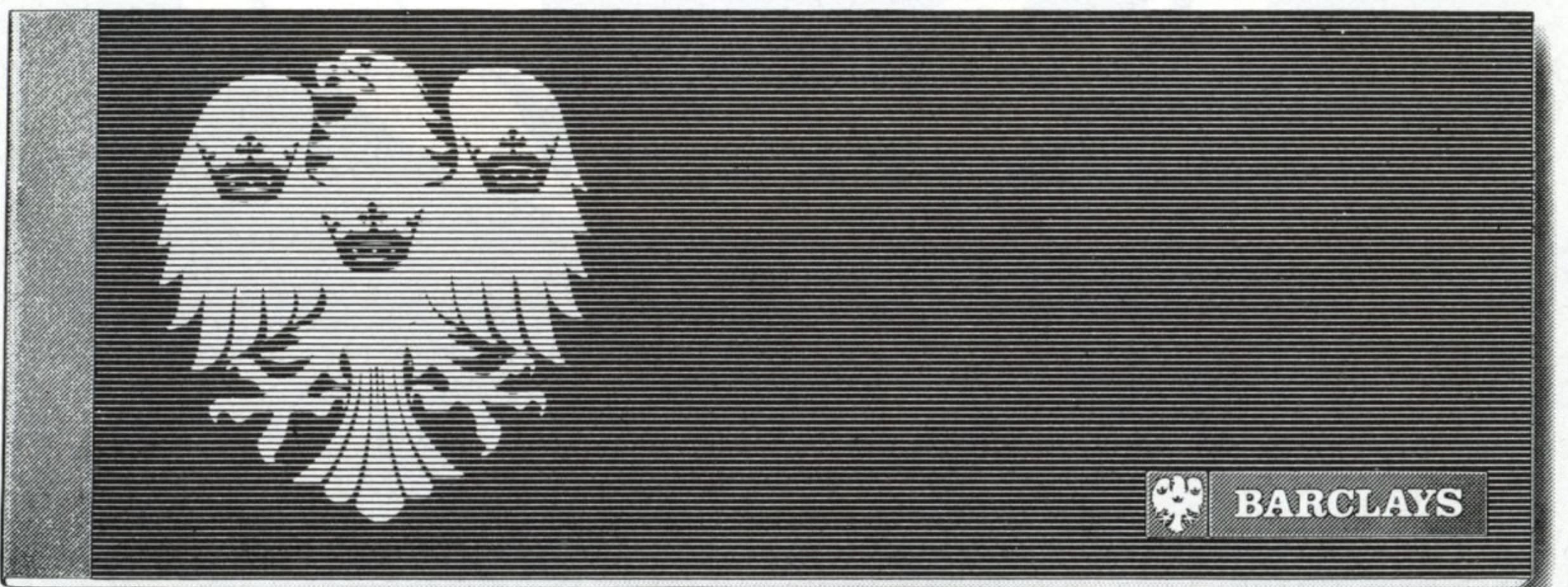
In effect, the fundamental ingredients necessary for any domestic competition to retain its credibility as a meritocracy would become too imbalanced. Even today, can Hamilton Academicals be realistically expected to compete on an equal footing with Glasgow Rangers?

Because professional football in particular is ultimately dependent upon the spectators' willingness to pay for the unpredictability of its theatre, the game has an overriding obligation to ensure that free enterprise is always balanced against fair competition. And whilst sport must always strive to reach new heights, this should be driven by genuine ambition and not unabated avarice. By his own admission, Silvio Berlusconi sees the formation of a European Super League quite simply as a means to an end!"



• Alan Hansen in command for Liverpool - one of the possible Super League teams of the future?

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• Ceri Hughes tries to break clear of David Platt during his league debut for the club at Aston Villa.



• Nigel Spink saves from a header by Julian James at Villa Park.

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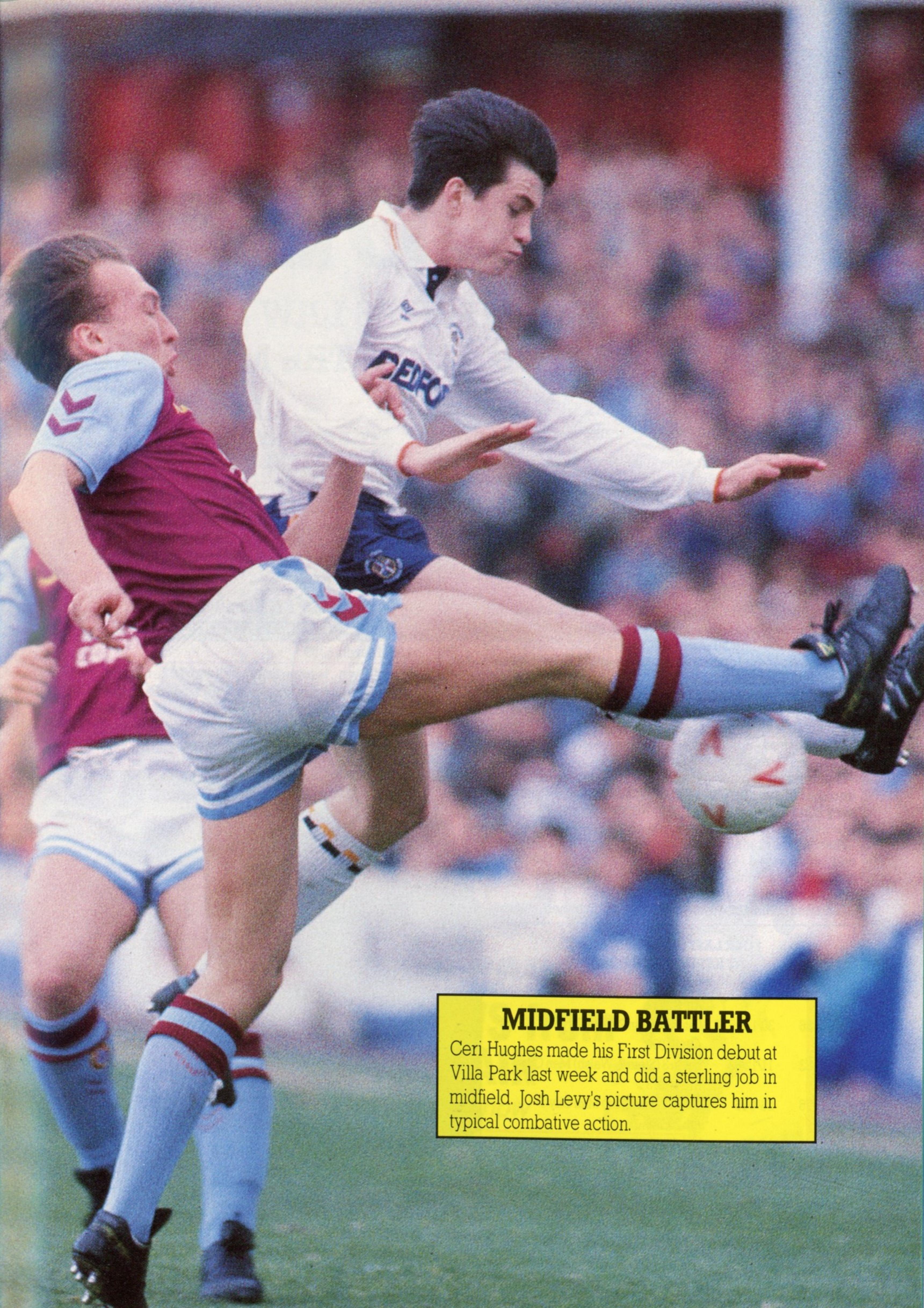


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MIDFIELD BATTLER

Ceri Hughes made his First Division debut at Villa Park last week and did a sterling job in midfield. Josh Levy's picture captures him in typical combative action.

OFF THE RECORD

A DAY TO REMEMBER AS LAW ENJOY'S SIX-GOAL FROLIC IN THE MUD

With the Town newly relegated to Division Two, 1960/61 proved to be another mediocre season and by Christmas it was obvious that a quick return to the top flight was beyond the bounds of possibility, writes club statistician Roger Wash.

In order to stimulate enthusiasm another FA Cup run similar to that of two years previous was desperately required and to this end the Town were drawn to meet Northampton at Kenilworth Road in the Third Round - the first competitive meeting between the two near neighbours for 23 years.

As it turned out a crowd of 26,220 saw a fairly easy Luton victory to the tune of 4-0 and with the reward of another home tie - this time against First Division Manchester City - Cup fever and a renewed interest in Luton Town became apparent.

Supporters woke up on the day of the game to be confronted by heavy rain which persisted all morning and into the afternoon. Despite the obvious threat to the game 23,727 turned up to see the Kenilworth Road pitch swimming in water.

The referee, obviously hoping for a let up in the rain decided to start the game and the Luton supporters were very glad he did as Alec Ashworth put the ball in the Manchester net twice in the first 18 minutes.

Then a young man by the name of Denis Law took over and proceeded to give an exhibition in the art of goalscoring notching a hat trick before half-time to put the visitors ahead.

The second half started as the first had finished with Law

OUR LAST FIVE MEETINGS AT KENILWORTH ROAD

1986/87	27/9/86	Luton 1 (Stein) Man City 0 Att: 9,371
1985/86	30/11/85	Luton 2 (Stein 2) Man City 1 Att: 10,096
1982/83	11/12/82	Luton 3 (Stein 2, Walsh) Man City 1 Att: 11,013
1974/75	26/4/75	Luton 1 (Jim Ryan) Man City 1 Att: 20,768
1959/60	9/9/59	Luton 1 (Brown) Man City 2 Att: 13,122

* Roger Wash is our official club statistician.

Anyone with inquiries or comments please write to him c/o The Editor, Luton Town F.C., Kenilworth Road Stadium, 1, Maple Road, Luton LU4 8AW.

IT HAPPENED 25 YEARS AGO THIS WEEK ...

20th March 1965

In beating QPR 2-0 at Kenilworth Road in a Division Three encounter the Town ended a run of eight games without a win.

David Pleat and Ted Phillips were the scorers watched by a crowd of 3,998.

IT HAPPENED 40 YEARS AGO THIS WEEK ...

11th March 1950

The Town temporarily halted Tottenham's relentless drive to the Second Division championship by drawing 0-0 at White Hart Lane.

The game was witnessed by a crowd of 53,145.

unstoppable on the slippery surface and scoring another three before the heavens opened in the 69th minute leaving the referee no option but to take both teams off.

Legend has it that the referee's intention was to keep the players in their respective dressing rooms for a few minutes until the downpour eased before restarting the game but, showing admirable gamesmanship, the Town players jumped out the bath!

When the referee decided to try again a visit to the Luton dressing room soon made him change his mind and the match was abandoned leaving a shocked Law bemoaning the unfairness of it all to the Press.

The game was replayed the following Wednesday with an afternoon kick-off because City's goalkeeper Bert Trautmann did not think the Kenilworth Road floodlights were up to scratch.

City's line up remained unchanged but the Town made major changes to their defence in an attempt to close the game down. With a far more solid look the Town again took a two goal lead through Ashworth and Jim Fleming but despite a goal from Law on the stroke of half time the Luton players were in no mood for defeat and a second goal from Ashworth after 64 minutes sealed an unlikely victory.

If anything the conditions were worse for the second game with a waterlogged, but even, pitch giving way to thick, cloying mud. As Denis Law said afterwards "At least the ball ran clean and true in the first game".

For the record the Town lost 1-0 at Barnsley in the next round.



• Jim Ryan in action. Jim was a scorer against Manchester City here in 1975.

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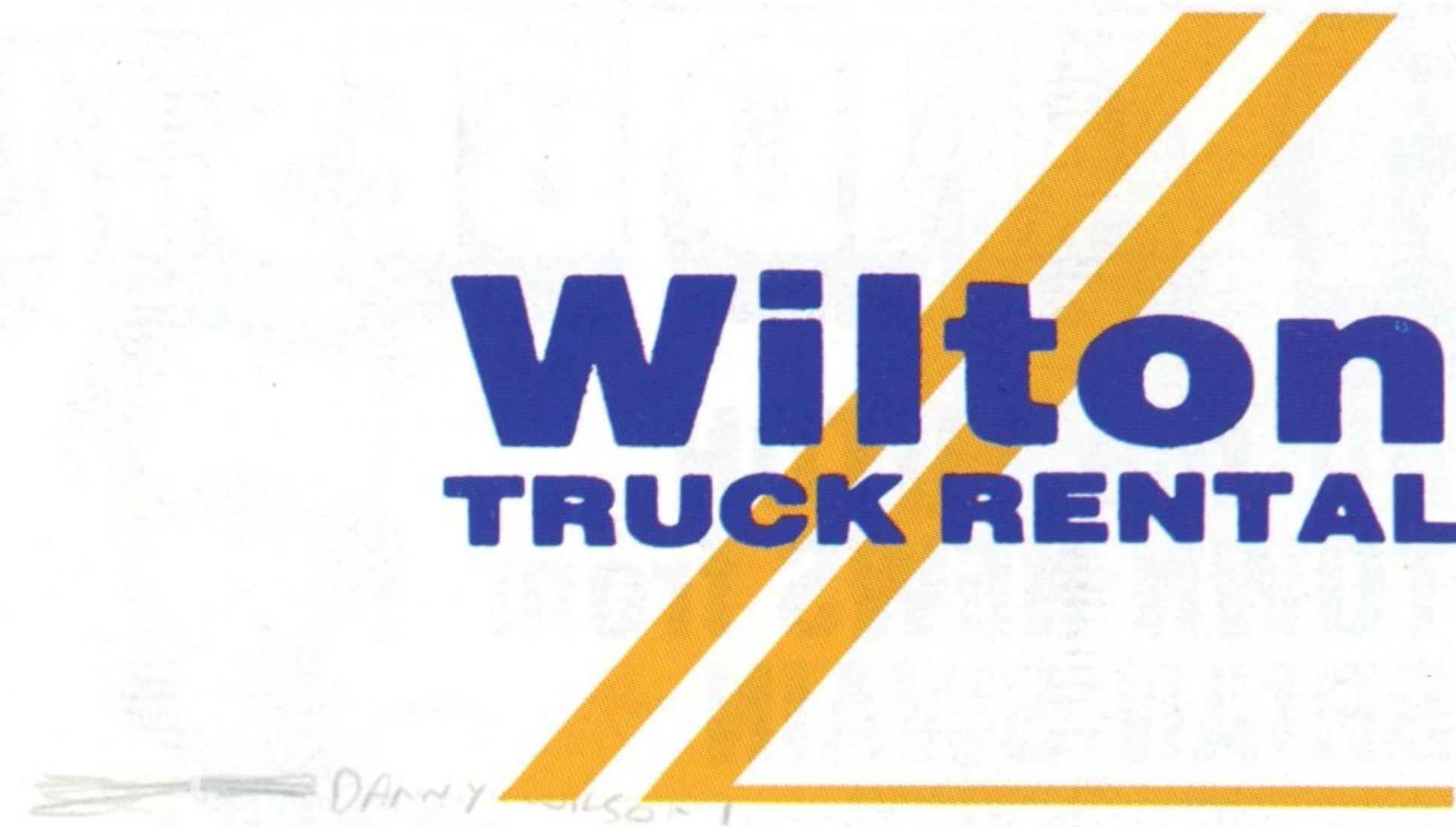
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WELCOME TO... MANCHESTER CITY

● We give a warm welcome this afternoon to Manchester City who have like ourselves not been enjoying the best of fortunes in the First Division this season. Indeed, they also underwent a change of management midway through the campaign when Mel Machin was replaced by former Everton and Athletic Bilbao manager Howard Kendall.

● Mr Kendall follows a long line of well-known football personalities to have been in charge of the Maine Road club. These include Joe Mercer, Malcolm Allison, Ron Saunders, John Bond and Billy McNeill. In all, there have been 24 managers at Manchester City since 1894 and 17 since the Second World War.

● City were formed as a Limited Company in 1894 after their predecessors Ardwick had been forced into bankruptcy. However, many historians like to trace the club's lineage as far back as 1880 when St Marks Church, West Gorton, added a football section to their cricket club. They amalgamated with Gorton Athletic in 1884 as Gorton FC, becoming Ardwick in 1887 when they moved grounds.

● City have been one of the number of teams in recent years who have travelled to-and-fro between the First and Second Divisions. Last season, they regained their place in the top flight with promotion under Mel Machin.

● It was hoped by their large following that the success

would spark off a sustained run of good form and a revival of the club's great years of the late 1960's and 1970's under Mercer and Allison when they were frequent entrants to European football and often challenging for the big honours in the English game.

● Their honours reflect their successes of the past. They were winners of the First Division title in 1937 and again in 1968 and runners-up in 1904, 1921 and 1977. They were Division Two champions in 1899, 1903, 1910, 1928, 1947 and 1966 and have been runners-up on another three occasions.

● In cup competitions, City also have a fine record having won the European Cup Winners Cup in 1970, the Football League Cup in 1970 and 1976 and the F.A. Cup in 1904, 1934, 1956 and 1969.

● In addition to their honours, City can also boast the British record attendance for any game outside London or Glasgow. On March 3, 1943, their stadium housed 84,569 people for the FA Cup sixth round tie against Stoke City.

● City's record for the player with the largest number of league appearances for the club is held by Alan Oakes who made 565 appearances for the club between 1959 and 1976. Colin Bell is City's most capped player, having played 48 times for England. Their squad today includes Andy Dibble our former goalkeeper, Welcome back, Andy.



Back Row (left to right): Colin Hendry, Andy Hinchcliffe, Mark Seagraves, David White, Gary Megson, Paul Lake. Middle Row: Roy Bailey (Medical Trainer), Tony Book (Reserve/Youth Team Coach), Jason Beckford, Ashley Ward, Andy Dibble, Paul Cooper, Gary Fleming, Wayne Clarke, Mick Heaton (Assistant Manager). Front Row: Alan Harper, Peter Reid, Steve Redmond (Captain), Howard Kendall (Manager), Mark Ward, Ian Brightwell, Clive Allen.

FIRST TEAM

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1989-90 SEASON

APPEARANCES AND GOALSCORERS

	Lgue	Ltdwds	Cup	F.A. Cup	Z.D. Cup	
	Aps	Gls	Aps	Gls	Aps	Gls
Tim Allpress	1	-	-	-	-	1
David Beaumont	13	3	2(1)	1	-	1
Kingsley Black	27	7	2(1)	1	-	-
Tim Brecker	29	3	1	1	2	-
Alec Chamberlain	29	3	1	1	2	-
Richard Cooke	2(7)	1	-	-	1(1)	-
Mal Donaghy	5	-	-	-	-	-
Iain Dowie	17(3)	4	-(1)	(1)	2	3
John Dreyer	29	2	3	1	1	-
Lars Elstrup	13(6)	4	3	5	-	-
Sean Farrell	-(1)	-	-	-	-	-
Paul Gray	1(3)	1	-	-	(2)	1
Mick Harford	1(3)	-	-	1	-	-
Richard Harvey	15(9)	-	1	1	2	-
Ceri Hughes	1	-	-	-	-	-
Julian James	10(1)	1	-	1	1	-
Marvin Johnson	7(3)	-	-(1)	1	1	-
Mick Kennedy	24	-	2	1	1	-
Darron McDonough	8	-	2	-	-	-
Kurt Nogan	8	2	-	-	-	-
Neil Poutch	-(1)	-	-	-	-	-
David Preece	21(2)	1	3	1	1	2
Jason Rees	3(3)	-	-	-	-	-
Graham Rodger	2	-	1	-	-	-
Aaron Tighe	-	-	-	-	1(1)	-
Roy Wegerle	13(2)	2	3	4	-	2
Steve Williams	14	1	1	-	-	-
Danny Wilson	26	6	3	-	1	2

LEADING GOALSCORERS: 22 – Platt (Aston Villa), 21 – Saunders (Derby), 20 – Le Tissier (Southampton), Lineker (Tottenham), Rush (Liverpool).

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P	W	D	L	F	A	W	D	L	F	APts.	
28	11	2	2	30	15	Aston Villa	6	2	5	15	11 55
27	8	4	1	24	8	Liverpool	7	4	3	27	18 53
28	11	2	0	32	7	Arsenal	3	3	9	10	21 47
28	7	4	4	23	17	Nottingham Forest	5	3	5	18	15 43
29	5	6	4	24	22	Chelsea	6	4	4	21	19 43
28	10	1	3	19	12	Coventry	3	3	8	13	25 43
28	7	5	2	32	21	Southampton	4	4	6	23	26 42
29	8	1	6	27	20	Tottenham Hotspur	4	5	5	15	16 42
28	5	7	1	17	10	Norwich City	5	2	8	13	21 39
27	8	1	5	24	12	Derby	3	4	6	10	13 38
27	4	4	5	16	17	Wimbledon	5	7	2	18	12 38
26	9	2	2	23	11	Everton	2	3	8	12	23 38
26	6	3	3	16	12	Queens Park Rangers	3	6	5	14	17 36
29	7	6	2	18	9	Sheffield Wednesday	1	3	10	6	28 33
27	6	4	4	20	19	Crystal Palace	3	2	8	12	32 33
27	5	4	4	19	12	Manchester United	3	3	8	15	25 31
29	5	6	3	16	14	LUTON TOWN	1	5	9	16	31 29
28	7	3	5	22	18	Manchester City	0	5	8	7	25 29
28	4	5	5	19	16	Millwall	1	4	9	14	32 24
29	3	5	6	14	16	Charlton Athletic	2	3	10	9	25 23

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Aug 19	Tottenham Hotspur	1-2	17,668	-	Chamberlain	Brecker	McDonough	Beaumont	Dreyer	Wilson	(Williams)	(Preece)	Black	Wegerle¹	Kennedy	
Aug 22	Sheffield Wednesday	2-0	9,503	-	Chamberlain	Brecker	Dreyer	Williams	McDonough	Beaumont	Kennedy	Wegerle	Wilson	Preece	(Black¹)	[Harvey]
Aug 26	Liverpool	0-0	11,124	10	Chamberlain	Brecker	Dreyer	(Williams)	McDonough	Beaumont	(Kennedy)	Wegerle	Wilson	Preece	Black	[Harvey]
Aug 30	Queens Park Rangers	0-0	10,565	11	Chamberlain	Brecker	Dreyer	Williams	McDonough	Beaumont	Kennedy	Wegerle	Elstrup	Preece	Black	[Harvey]
Sept 9	Charlton Athletic	1-0	8,859	7	Chamberlain	Brecker	Dreyer	Wilson^{1P}	McDonough	Beaumont	Kennedy	Wegerle	Elstrup	(Preece)	Black	[Harvey]
Sept 16	Coventry City	0-1	11,152	8	Chamberlain	Brecker	Dreyer	Wilson	(McDonough)	Beaumont	Kennedy	Wegerle	Elstrup	Preece	(Williams)	[Cooke]
Sept 19	Mansfield Town (LC2-1)	4-3	5,361	8	Chamberlain	Brecker	Dreyer	Wilson	McDonough	Beaumont	Kennedy	Wegerle	Elstrup²	Black	[Harvey]	
Sept 23	Wimbledon	1-1	8,449	10	Chamberlain	Brecker	Dreyer	Wilson	(McDonough)	Beaumont	Kennedy	Wegerle	(Elstrup)	Preece	Black	[Cooke]
Sept 30	Manchester City	1-3	23,863	14	Chamberlain	Brecker	Dreyer	Wilson	Harvey	Beaumont	(Kennedy)	Wegerle	(Elstrup)	Preece	Black¹	[Johnson]
Oct 3	Mansfield Town (LC2-2)	7-2	6,519	14	Chamberlain	Brecker	Dreyer¹	Wilson	Rodger	Beaumont	Kennedy	Wegerle	Elstrup³	Black	Harvey	
Oct 14	Aston Villa	0-1	9,433	16	Chamberlain	Brecker	Dreyer	Wilson	(Rodger)	Beaumont	Williams	(Wegerle)	Elstrup	Preece	Black	[Cooke]
Oct 21	Norwich City	4-1	9,038	12	Chamberlain	Brecker	Dreyer¹	Wilson¹	Beaumont	Beaumont	Williams	Wegerle	Elstrup¹	Black	[Harvey]	
Oct 24	Everton (LC3)	0-3	18,428	12	Chamberlain	Brecker	(Dreyer)	Wilson	McDonough	Beaumont	Harvey	Wegerle	Preece	Black	[Dowie]	
Oct 28	Millwall	1-1	10,433	14	Chamberlain	Brecker	Dreyer	Wilson	(McDonough)	Beaumont	Williams	(Wegerle)	Elstrup¹	Black	[Harvey]	
Nov 4	Derby County	1-0	8,919	11	Chamberlain	Brecker	Dreyer	Wilson	Johnson	Beaumont	Williams	Dowie¹	Elstrup	Kennedy	[Harvey]	
Nov 8	Oxford United (ZDC)	3-2	1,754	11	Chamberlain	Brecker	Harvey	Wilson	Johnson	Beaumont	(Cooke)	Wegerle	Dowie²	(Kennedy)	Preece	
Nov 11	Crystal Palace	1-1	8,000	10	Chamberlain	Brecker	Dreyer	Wilson¹	Johnson	(Beaumont)	Williams	Dowie	(Elstrup)	Black	[Wegerle]	
Nov 18	Manchester United	1-3	11,141	13	Chamberlain	Brecker	Wilson¹	Johnson	Dreyer	(Williams)	Wegerle	Kennedy	Black¹	[James]	Preece	
Nov 25	Southampton	3-6	14,014	13	Chamberlain	Brecker	Harvey	Wilson	(Johnson)	Dreyer	(Preece)	Elstrup	Preece	Black	[Elstrup]	
Nov 27	Crystal Palace (ZDC2)	1-4	3,747	13	Chamberlain	Brecker	Harvey	Wilson	(Allpress)	Dreyer	Preece	Wegerle	Dowie	Kennedy	[James]	[Gray]
Dec 2	Tottenham Hotspur	0-0	12,620	15	Chamberlain	Brecker	Harvey	(Wilson)	Johnson	Dreyer	Williams	James ¹	Elstrup	Kennedy	[Black]	[Preece]
Dec 9	Sheffield Wednesday	1-1	16,339	15	Chamberlain	Brecker	Harvey	Wilson	(Johnson)	Dreyer	Williams	James ¹	Elstrup	Preece	Black	[Gray]
Dec 16	Arsenal	2-3	28,761	18	Chamberlain	Bre										

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