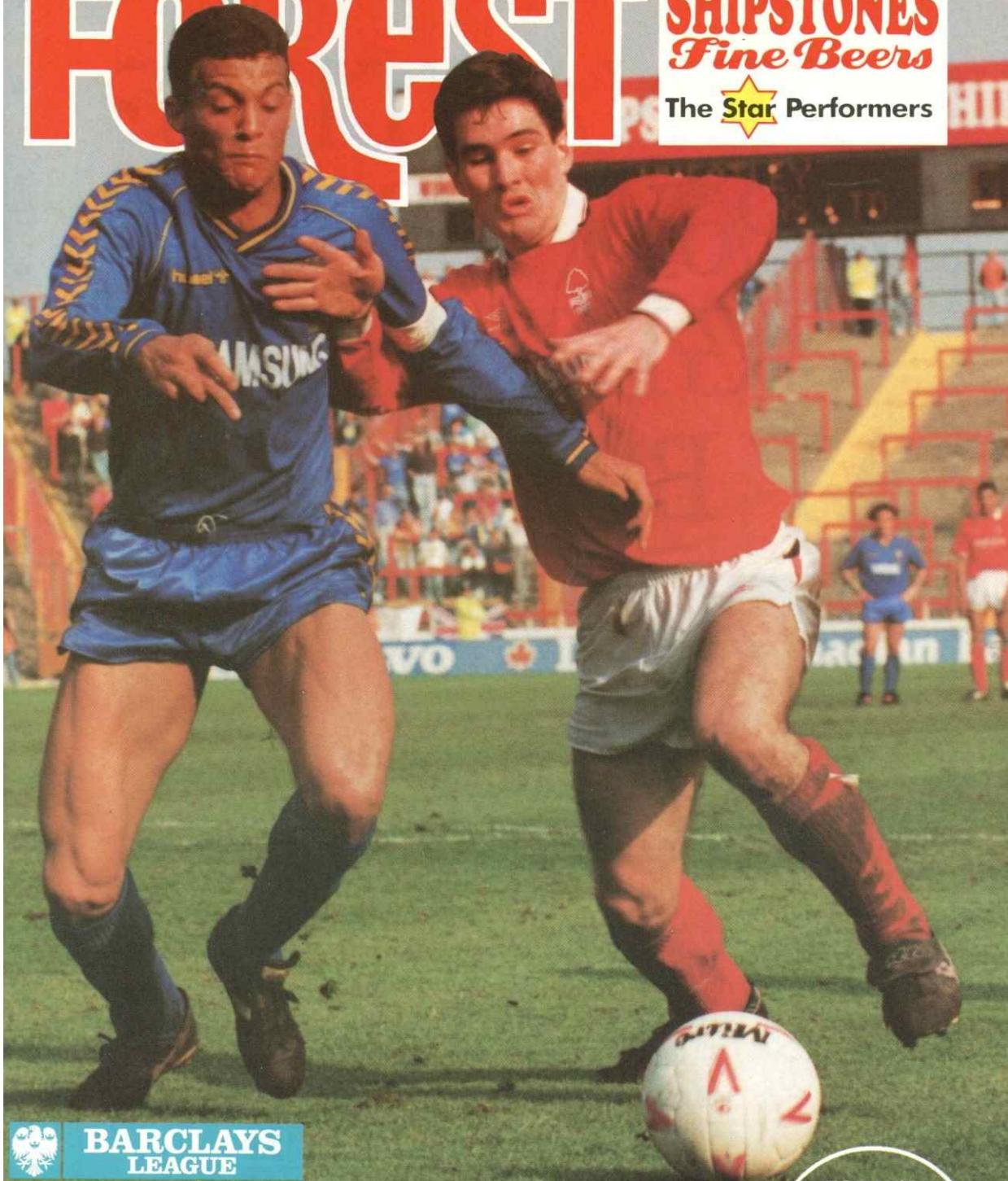


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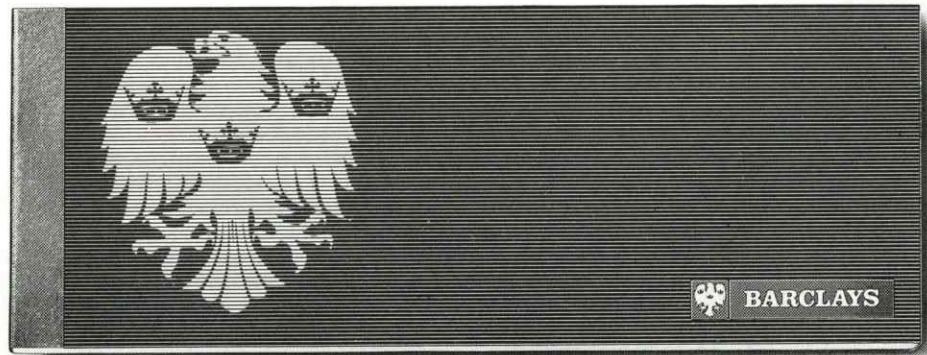
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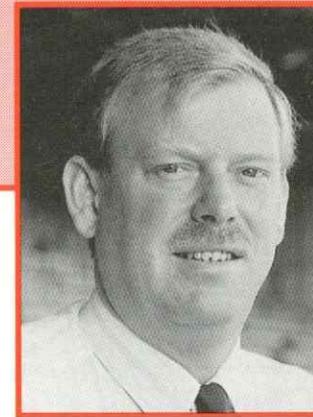
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A Personal View by Secretary Paul White



I recently received a letter from the Metropolitan Police offering our supporters advice, guidance and information to make the trip to Wembley on Sunday, 29th April as enjoyable as possible.

And as this is our last home match before the Littlewoods Cup final, I'd like to take this opportunity to pass on some of the measures the police feel may be beneficial:

Keep your money and tickets tucked away in a secure and safe place.

Don't take your ticket out until the last minute at the turnstile.

Memorise or write down your turnstile letter so you don't have to take out your ticket to check it.

Keep a separate note of your ticket number; record the bay number, the row number and the seat number so that if it is stolen, the police have something to go on.

Leave a record of your ticket numbers with a relative at home so that in an emergency you can be more easily contacted.

Wembley Stadium is now all-seater. The ticket that you buy cannot be exchanged so you will have to occupy the seat shown on your ticket; you will not be able to transfer to another part of the ground.

Don't leave tempting articles on view in your car for someone to steal.

Do not bring any drink with you if you are travelling by coach or mini-bus to the match. This is against the law and if you get caught you may well end up not seeing the game at all.

Do not attempt to take any drink into the Stadium — you will not be admitted and this too is against the law.

Don't overdo the drinking yourself! Have fun but — as hard

as it is — try and walk away from trouble.

Only buy your Cup Final ticket from an authorised distributor — forged tickets are very, very realistic and can often only be discovered by the use of special equipment. Every ticket WILL be checked at the turnstiles and the holder of a forged ticket will be refused entry.

Make arrangements with your friends so that if you become separated from them you will meet up at a readily identifiable spot, e.g. the Mobile Police Station at the Royal Tunnel.

Severe parking restrictions are in operation around the Stadium area. If you leave a vehicle within the 'No Parking' zone it will be removed and will cost you £75 to get it back. On top of that, there will be £12 to pay for the parking ticket — so please, use the Stadium Car Parks or travel by public transport.

Routes in and out of Wembley: the M1/A406 (North Circular Road) is the most direct route from the North but this will quickly become blocked. Consider using the M1/M25/A40/A406 route as an alternative.

PLEASE give yourself plenty of time for your journey, the roads around Wembley become heavy with traffic and delays will spoil your day.

I hope these measures help you have a safe, enjoyable and, hopefully, successful day out at Wembley.



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Cloughie Calling

I see my pal Geoffrey Boycott has been in a bit of bother in the Caribbean.

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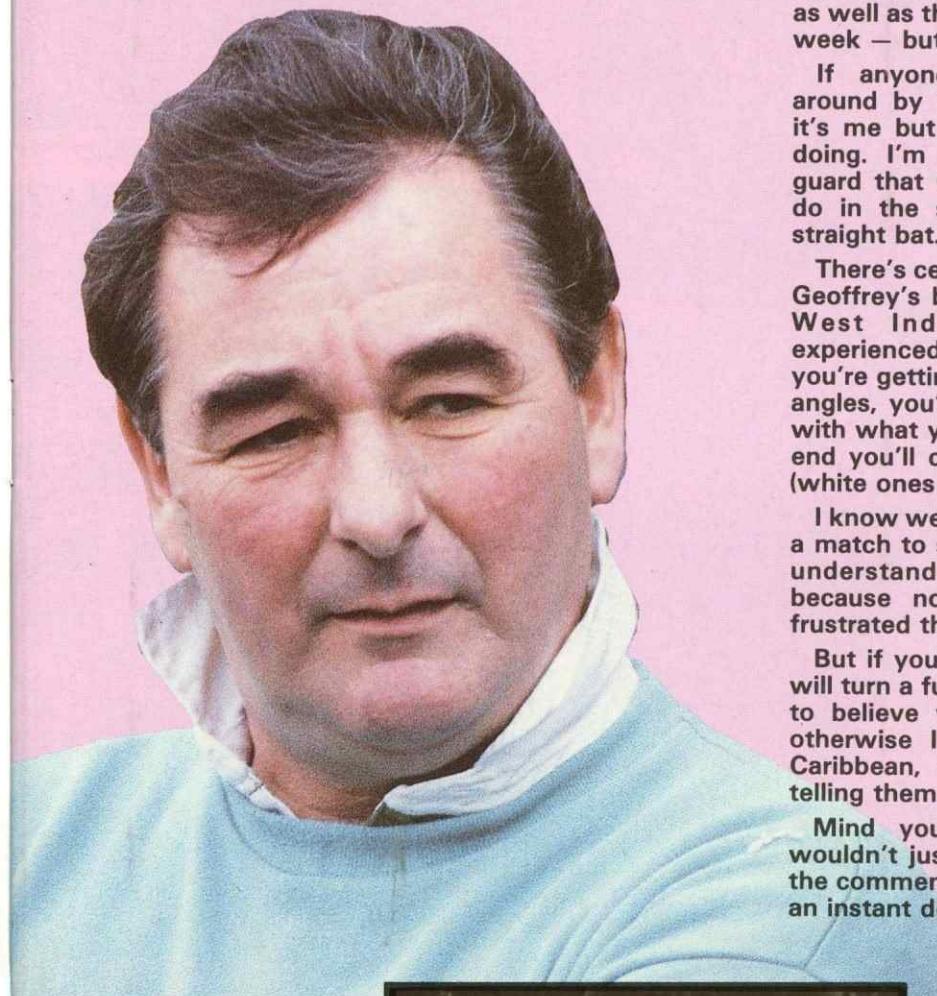
If anyone has been bounced around by the opposition recently it's me but I'll tell you what I am doing. I'm taking the very same guard that Geoffrey himself would do in the situation — showing a straight bat.

There's certain similarities in what Geoffrey's been coping with in the West Indies and what I've experienced at home but when you're getting it in the neck from all angles, you've just got to carry on with what you believe in and in the end you'll come up smelling roses (white ones naturally).

I know we've not been able to win a match to save our lives and I can understand people's frustration because nobody has been more frustrated than me.

But if you're good enough things will turn a full circle — and I happen to believe we're good enough — otherwise I would be out in the Caribbean, watching cricket and telling them what I thought.

Mind you, if I did that they wouldn't just try and ban me from the commentary box — they'd issue an instant deportation order !



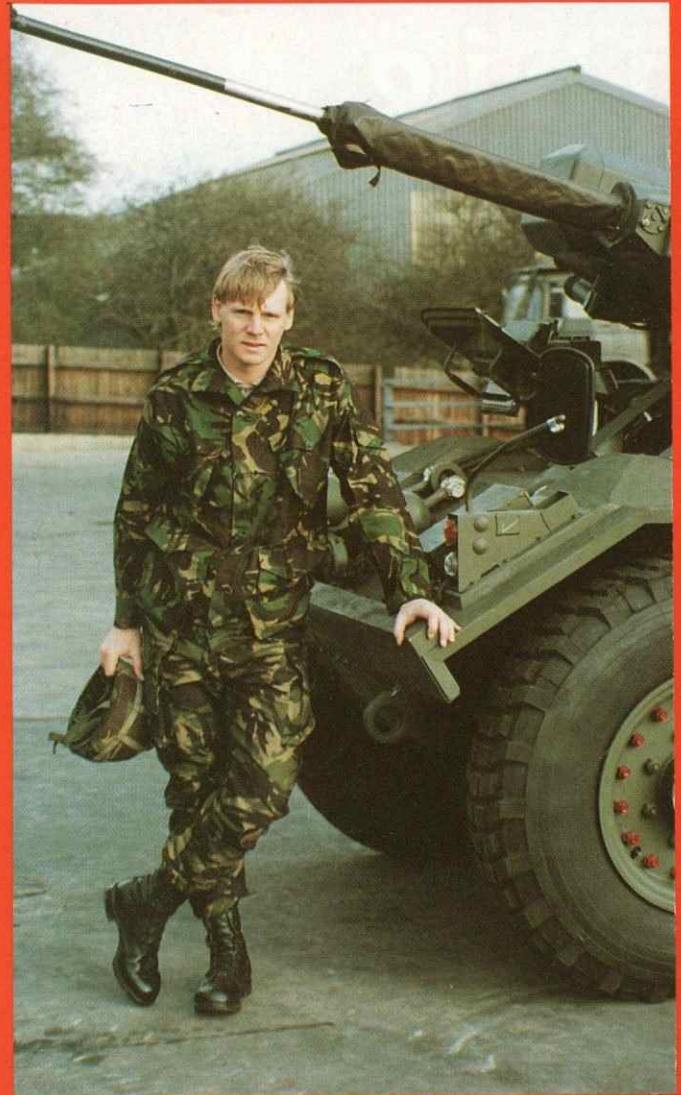
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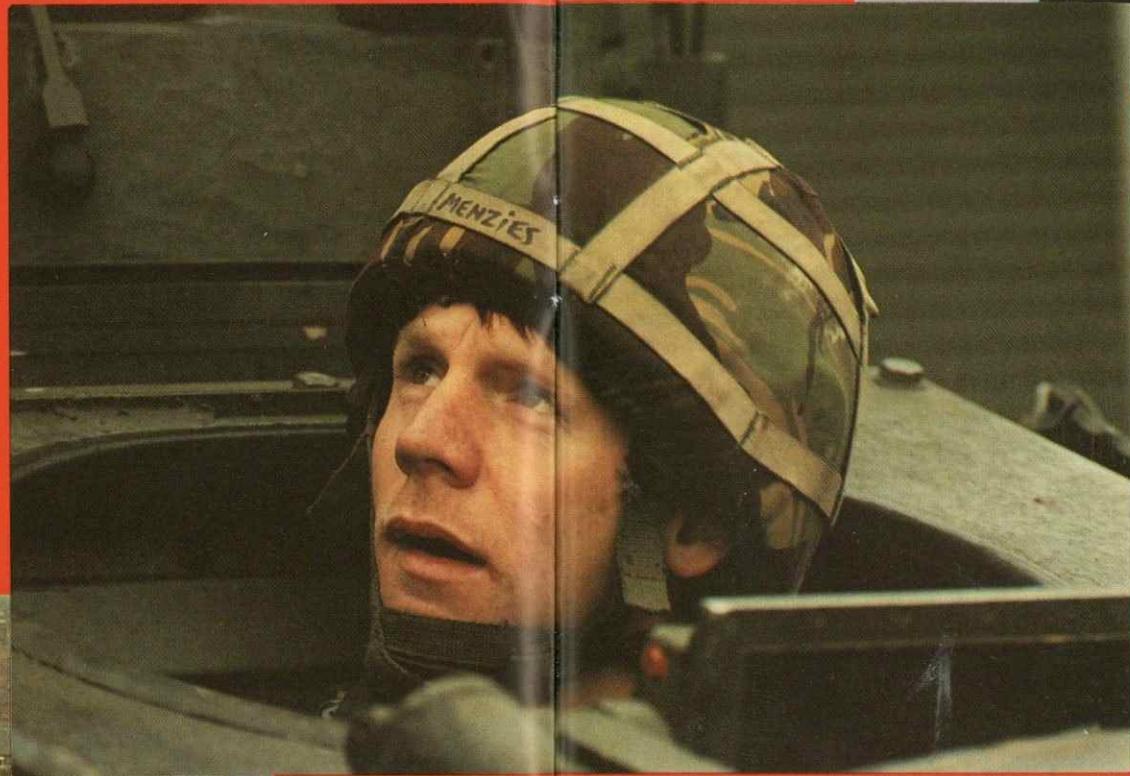


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Skipper Stuart Pearce traded in his sponsored Volvo for a more unorthodox form of transport recently — and fulfilled a long-standing ambition in the process. "Pearcy", a driving force in our march towards a second successive Littlewoods Cup final appearance, has always wanted to drive a tank or armoured vehicle. He finally got the chance last month, courtesy of "Shoot!" magazine, who fixed-up for our inspirational full-back to visit 'B' (SRY) Squadron at Carlton in Nottingham.

And as the pictures show, it didn't take him long to pick up the art of driving the vehicles, prompting Sergeant Dave Menzies to declare : "He's a natural!" Stuart swapped his 'civvies' for combat gear and took command of a 'Spartan' (a small armoured personnel carrier) and a 'Fox' (a light reconnaissance vehicle).

And Sgt. Menzies added : "The 'Spartan', in particular, is very difficult to drive. Unlike a car, it doesn't have a steering wheel but is controlled by levers. Consequently, choosing the correct gear and having the right engine speed is all important — but Stuart mastered it in no time. Most of our pupils need up to two days instruction before they can competently drive the vehicles. Because we were a bit pushed for time, Stuart only had about 10 minutes tuition — but it didn't show."

Stuart himself admitted : "Ever since I can remember I've wanted to drive a tank or some kind of armoured vehicle — I don't really know why. I'm very grateful to "Shoot!" and all the lads at the Territorial Army barracks in Carlton for making it such a great day out and one that I'll remember for a long time."

In 13 days time, 'Pearcy' has the chance to fulfil yet another ambition when he leads us into action against Second Division Oldham in the Littlewoods Cup final at Wembley. He'd dearly love to add another winners medal to his collection and he added : "Winning the Littlewoods last season was a marvellous experience and, hopefully, we can do the same again this time around."

• A major pictorial feature on Pearce's day out with the military is featured in the pre-Wembley issue of Shoot!

FOREST NEWSDESK



INTO EUROPE

Youngsters connected with the club are more than ever before gaining valuable experience at top level tournaments.

This weekend, for example, the Forest Boys Club have been represented at Under-14 level in an international youth Tournament at Keele University, where we have won the Under-16 title for the last two years.

We have also entered a side for an Under-19 tournament in Lyon, France, this weekend and are sending an Under-13 side to compete in a tournament in Rovinna in Italy.

At the end of May we have teams in action in both France and Switzerland.

The Under-16s are taking part in a prestigious tournament near Brest while the Under-18s will meet some of the stiffest youth teams in Europe when they go to Zurich, to defend the Blue Stars Tournament. Real Madrid, A.C. Milan and Inter Milan are just three of the other teams taking part there.

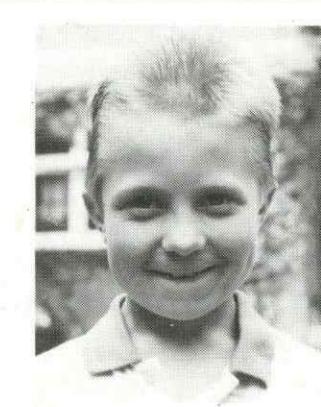
And looking ahead to pre-season in August, we have been invited to take part in the Haarlem Cup in Holland — another top level tournament this time for Under-21 teams.

Barcelona, Sporting Club of Lisbon and the Japanese Olympic team will be taking part in addition to Holland's top teams and ourselves.



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TODAY'S MASCOT

... is nine year old James Power of Balmoral Drive, Bramcote Hills, Nottingham.

James attends the Bramcote Hills primary school and his hobbies include: playing football, badminton and volleyball.

And his favourite Forest players are Stuart Pearce and Steve Sutton. We hope you have a super afternoon with us James.

JOIN THE CLUB

Nottingham Forest Community Programme, in conjunction with Nottinghamshire County Council Leisure Services department, are starting a 50+ Club.

The club will meet every Wednesday afternoon between 2-4 p.m. and will provide a host of different activities — starting with a slide show, a talk by a professional health expert and tea and biscuits.

Each session will cost 50 pence but membership is limited to just 50 people, so if you're interested in joining contact either Mick Raynor or Dean Titterton on 810089.

EXPECT DELAYS

The Departments of the Environment and Transport have written warning us of major roadworks on the M1 and M25 in Hertfordshire which could delay supporters travelling to the Littlewoods Cup final on Sunday, 29th April.

Please remember to allow some extra time for your journey... you have been warned!



STARS TURN OUT FOR 'SUTTY'

Three stars from the world of sport entertained 130 guests at Steve Sutton's testimonial Speakers' Evening last month.

Former World Cup referee Jack Taylor — the man best remembered for awarding a penalty in the first minute of the 1974 World Cup final between Holland and West Germany — was the main speaker.

And he was joined by one of our former players John Robertson, who was making his debut on the after-dinner speaking circuit, and Nottinghamshire and England cricketer Derek Randall.

Said Steve: "Jack, John and Derek were superb and I'm sure I speak for everyone who attended when I say they were great entertainment!"

Incidentally, Randall jetted off for New Zealand the very next day to take part in a series of cricket matches — in aid of his former county colleague and Kiwi all-rounder Richard Hadlee's testimonial.

• Steve is pictured above with (from left to right): Compere Tony Delahunt of Radio Trent, Derek Randall, Jack Taylor and John Robertson.

ALL-TICKET

Our final home Barclays League game of the season against F.A. Cup finalists Manchester United on Wednesday, 2nd May will be all ticket.

Tickets — £5 for standing and normal premium prices for seats — will go on sale next Wednesday.

Season ticket holders can gain admission in the usual way.

CASH-ED IN

Our young defender Stuart Cash had reason to celebrate last weekend... despite our disappointing result at the hands of Tottenham.

Because Stuart, who's on loan at Rotherham until the end of the season, hit his first ever League goal.

Left-back Stuart, who joined us from non-league Halesowen earlier this season, scored Rotherham's first in a 2-1 victory that keeps them in line for a promotion play-off place.

"YOU REDS" ON TAPE

Forest fans can rock along to Wembley with "Resistance 77".

The heavy rock band, who can count our captain Stuart Pearce as one of their fans, have produced a tape called "You Reds", which will be available in the Souvenir Shop as from 24th April.

Pearcy's convinced it's going to be a hit!

DON'T FORGET THE COUNTY CUP

Don't forget that we've got another Cup Final to contend with after our Littlewoods Cup showdown with Oldham at Wembley later this month.

Because on Tuesday, 8th May — three days after our last scheduled League match with Sheffield Wednesday at Hillsborough — we face holders Mansfield Town in the delayed final of the County Cup competition.

Field Mill is the venue for the final, which we reached with a 3-1 win over Notts County back in August — Lee Chapman, Franz Carr and Brian Laws were our scorers that day.

SCHOOLBOY FINALS

The City Ground is the venue for two end of season schoolboy matches. On Tuesday, 8th May Nottingham Boys face Leeds Boys while two days later Pheasant Colts meet Ruddington Village Colts in the final of the Imperial Notts Youth League Under-15 competition — both matches kick-off at 7.00 p.m.

TWO VOTES

There's a double voting slip included in today's programme.

One is for the Shipstones Player of the Month award and the other for the Forest Player of the Year — sponsored by Temple Printing.

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Reserve and youth report with Archie Gemmill

I've talked so much about our inconsistency this season at reserve level that I'm in danger of boring myself.

But anyone who saw our two Pontins League games at the City Ground last week would be the first to agree with me.

We played some delightful football to beat Aston Villa 2-0 but then we ended up being a little bit lucky to get a 1-1 draw against ten men Sheffield United.



PETER ALLUM . . . an early strike in our Midland Purity League win over Chesterfield.

Let's talk about the good things first because I was very pleased with the quality of most of our play against Villa and we could easily have won the game by a much bigger margin.

It followed on from our excellent win at Anfield the previous week and by keeping the momentum going I had every reason to believe we would finish the season in style.

Our recent signings Ian Woan and Mark Smith have arrived at the club and immediately done well and they both figured prominently in the Villa game.

It could have gone either way in the first half but we started to get on top towards half-time and managed to maintain the pressure in the second half.

It led to a goal about ten minutes after the break — a corner by Mark Smith being headed on by Tommy Gaynor and David Currie scored from about eight yards.

We had a couple of other chances but made sure of the victory about 20 minutes from the end with a superb goal.

Woan knocked a great ball forward from left back and Gaynor held off a couple of defenders to shoot into the corner of the net.

In addition to Woan and Smith, Gaynor had an excellent game in midfield and Darren Wassall had a tremendous 90 minutes in the middle of the back four.

After that we were looking forward to taking on Sheffield United but although we had chances to take a grip on the game in the first half we completely lost our way in the second.



Lee Glover, who has been doing well since he returned from Barnsley, Gaynor and Currie all had reasonably good chances to give us the lead before half time.

And not even the fact that United were reduced to ten men after 36 minutes, when one of their central defenders was sent off following two bookable offences, gave us the incentive to go on and win the game.

We just could not pass the ball accurately at all and seemed to forget all the good habits we had developed just 48 hours before.

We had most of the play without giving any indication that we would do anything about it and Sheffield capitalised to take the lead about 15 minutes from the end.

It came in what was a rare attack for them and although Mark Crossley made a superb save to touch a shot onto the post, the ball rebounded for them to score.

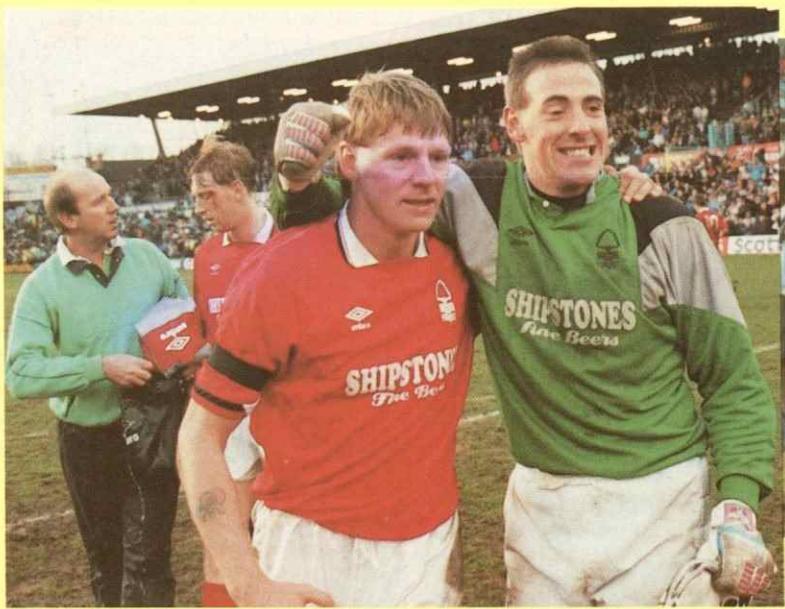
I honestly couldn't see us getting back into the game but five minutes later Woan went through, took a return ball from substitute Philip Starbuck and tucked away an equaliser.

We picked up another win in the Midland Purity League when we defeated Chesterfield 2-0 with a couple of early goals from Peter Allum and Warren Brown.

It was a very comfortable victory and we were never in any danger of them getting back into the game.

Allum opened the scoring when he picked up a back pass and then Brown knocked in the second after Phil Gilchrist had won the ball in the air from Steve Hodder's free-kick.

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THE WEMBLEY bandwagon is rolling again — and in the countdown to our second successive Littlewoods Cup Final appearance, this is a poignant time to wish the lads all the best when they meet Oldham Athletic.

Of course, we'll be defending the trophy we won with a 3-1 victory at the expense of today's opponents Luton Town last year, when we take on Joe Royle's Second Division side on Sunday, 29th April.

What better way to get in the mood for that big occasion than to recapture the moments of elation when we secured our return to the twin towers by defeating Coventry City over two legs in the semi-final.

It was a tense 90 minutes for us at Highfield Road as we defended the 2-1 lead which we gained in the first leg at the City Ground although, as the pictures both above and below right illustrate, we had our chances to put the issue beyond Coventry's reach in the second half.

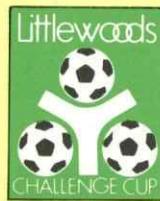
Lightning almost struck twice for our skipper Stuart Pearce, a former City player, who, having scored from a free kick to put us 2-1 in front in the first leg, rattled the woodwork with a similar effort.

And Nigel Jemson forced a fine save out of Steve Ogrizovic after bursting through the Coventry defence.

But once the final whistle had blown, the lads joined the large army of supporters who had made the short journey from Nottingham, in celebrating our third Wembley trip in two seasons.



WEMBLEY HERE WE COME



What's in the Post?

MEMORY JERKER . . . AT THE DENTISTS !

Contrary to all accepted beliefs a visit to the dentist can be a pleasure !

Recently my son Ian, who was brought up on the skills of Joe Baker and Jim Baxter and now residing in New Zealand, had occasion to visit the dentist.

On learning that he came from Grantham the dentist, who came from Nottingham, soon brought up the subject of football — and Forest.

The dentist turned out to be Mr. G. Allcock, a name associated with Forest for many years.

Needless to say, old times and old players were recalled far from the City Ground. It's a small world.

E. MATSELL, Heathfield Road, Grantham.

NOT WANTED : AN AUTOGRAPHED BALL

I acquired a football last year which was signed personally by the 1989 football teams from Nottingham Forest and Liverpool, including the managers, prior to the tragic F.A. Cup semi-final at Sheffield Wednesday.

It is of little use to me but I am certain that an ardent supporter would be pleased to own the ball. I am not prepared to give the ball away free but, should it be raffled, I am considering donating a proportion of the proceeds to charity.

**MRS. HELEN GREENWOOD,
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LAY OFF NIGEL

I am sick of so-called Forest supporters calling Nigel Clough. He hasn't been playing very well because of lack of confidence, which all boils down to the fans calling him and singing, out loud, that he should be substituted.

They forget about the good things like when he scored two goals to help us win the Littlewoods Cup in 1989 and also scoring the penalty in the semi-final this year against Coventry. His penalty was just as important as Stuart Pearce's blaster free-kick.

Instead of making him play worse, we have to encourage and help him get his form back, because when he's gone it will be realised just how valuable he was to the team.

T. BRADDOCK, Hucknall, Nottingham.

FOOTBALL IN THE COMMUNITY



Football is more than a game of 90 minutes. Every day clubs throughout Britain are extending their activities far beyond the pitch and into the lives of their local communities.

Social clubs and transport for the elderly, the provision of creches, projects to counter racism and sexism, artificial pitches for local use, the coaching of junior sides and the encouragement of women's football are only a few of the community based initiatives undertaken by clubs.

Much of this work has received help from The Football Trust. Each year the organisation receives over £9.5 million from the Spotting-the-Ball competition run by Littlewoods, Vernons and Zetters and spends it on projects that benefit all levels of the game throughout the United Kingdom.

On Wednesday, after our reserve game with Sheffield United, the chairman, Maurice Roworth, Paul Davies, deputy managing director of Greenalls Midlands, one of our players and myself visited "The Generous Briton" pub in Alfreton Road, Nottingham.

The purpose of our visit : to present a cheque for £600 to Walter and Beverley Towson, the publicans.

The money was raised by Archie Gemmill, our reserve team coach, and physiotherapist Graham Lyas, who collected sponsorship to run last year's Robin Hood half-marathon.

And Walter and Beverley accepted the cheque on behalf of the Guide Dogs for the Blind Association.

Over the past four years, regulars at "The Generous Briton" have raised enough money to supply 20 guide dogs — and the £600 Graham and Archie collected will go some way to helping them finance the 21st dog.

I think congratulations are in order to everyone concerned.

PUB VISIT

The following evening — last Thursday — I was again on my travels, this time to "Three Crowns" in Ruddington for the last of our photo-sessions with the players and Littlewoods Cup.

On the whole, these events, which have been held in Shipstones' pubs throughout the season, have proved to be quite successful and I'd like to thank again the small band of fans who have regularly turned up to support us.

LOOKING AHEAD

We may not have completed our 1989-90 campaign yet . . . but the countdown to the 1990-91 season is already on !

Anyone who would like information about match or match-ball sponsorship, perimeter advertising, executive box availability or any of our hospitality facilities, should contact me immediately.

SHAREHOLDERS TIES

I'd just like to remind our shareholders that an exclusive Nottingham Forest tie is available to them from the Commercial Shop, priced £5.50.

Lottery news with Vince Woodward

END OF THE SEASON DRAW

This draw will now take place on Wednesday, 2nd May (home match against Manchester United). Please return your counterfoils as soon as possible.

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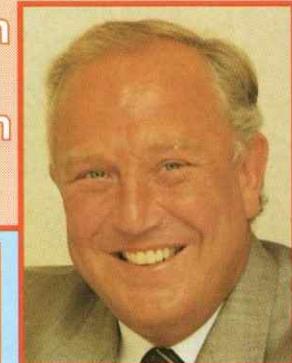
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LUTON TOWN

LUTON TOWN have undergone a considerable amount of upheaval since we prised the Littlewoods Cup from their grasp at Wembley twelve months ago — and it is most evident in the current position that they occupy.

The Hatters are faced with a grim struggle in the remaining weeks of the season if they are to climb out of the First Division's relegation zone, after slipping into dangerous territory as early as mid-December.

What Jim Ryan's side really need now is to reproduce the kind of flourish with which they finished last season when they were faced with a similar plight after being beaten 3-1 by us in the Littlewoods Cup Final.

Luton had lost seven times in eight League games before their visit to Wembley, but after Nigel Clough had set up our triumph with two goals, they won three and drew two of their last six games to survive.

The team that clung on to Luton's First Division status with that late revival bears no resemblance to the one that is battling for that very same existence in the current relegation struggle.

Most significantly, they have lost two highly respected strikers in Mick Harford and Roy Wegerle, who joined Derby County and Queen's Park Rangers respectively in deals worth more than £1.5m.



Back Row (left to right): Jason Rees, Mick O'Brien, Alec Chamberlain, Graham Rodger, Les Sealey, Iain Dowie, John Dreyer, Richard Cooke. Middle Row: Les Shannon (Coach), John Faulkner (1st team coach), Julian James, Marvin Johnson, Tim Allpress, Kurt Nogan, Sean Farrell, Darren McDonough, Richard Harvey, Paul Gray, Dave Galley (Physio), George Ley (Coach). Front Row: David Preece, Mick Kennedy, Danny Wilson (Captain), Jim Ryan (Manager), Tim Breaker, Kingsley Black, Lars Elstrup.

But other members of their 1989 Wembley line-up who have since left Kenilworth Road include Ricky Hill, Steve Foster and Ashley Grimes — all of whom had been influential figures.

In fact, there has been a steady drain of talent from Luton over the past two years with others like Mal Donaghy, David Oldfield and the two Steins, Brian and Mark all moving on.

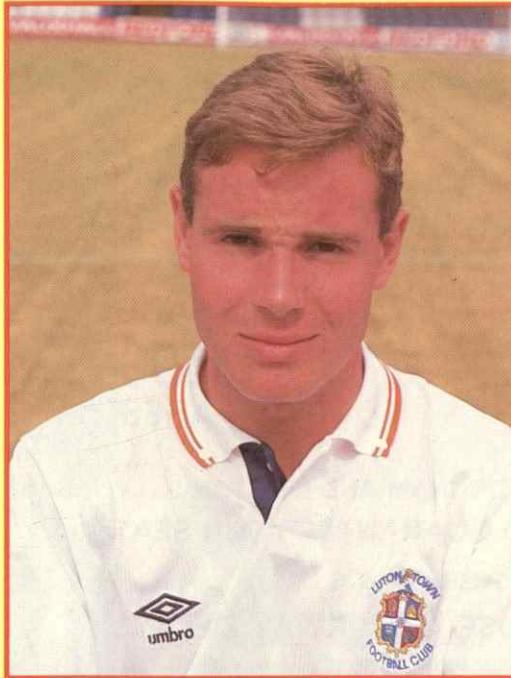
Ray Harford, who was the architect of their cup success in 1988 and guided them back to Wembley last year, joined the exodus earlier this year when he was replaced by Ryan as manager.

Consequently, Luton have had to pin their hopes of survival on a fair amount of inexperienced and youthful talent, and with injuries not helping matters, they have had to chop and change their side.

They began the season with high hopes of doing well, with Danish striker Lars Elstrup joining them from Ajax in a £650,000 deal to team up with Wegerle and Harford in their attack.

But while Wegerle and Harford have moved on, record-signing Elstrup has been handicapped by injury problems.

That's placed greater responsibility on Iain Dowie, an engineer with British Aerospace, who had been a prolific goalscorer for non-league Hendon when he was signed for £30,000 last year.



KINGSLEY BLACK



ALEC CHAMBERLAIN

After a satisfying start to the campaign, in which they won two and drew three of their first seven League games and demolished Mansfield Town in the Littlewoods 11-5 on aggregate — Elstrup getting five of them — things started to go wrong.

And following a 1-0 defeat of Derby County, courtesy of Dowies's first goal for the club, they went three months without a League success.

That was until a St. Valentine's Day visit to Plough Lane saw Dowie on target again in a 2-1 victory in front of only 3,496 people.

In that gloomy 11 game spell, they drew six times and lost five matches — most notably going down 6-3 at Southampton, while Manchester United and Crystal Palace also inflicted heavy defeats.

We travelled to Kenilworth Road on Boxing Day when Steve Hodge was on target in a 1-1 draw with Richard Cooke replying for Luton.

On a brighter note, their youthful side did manage to snatch a creditable 2-2 draw at Liverpool when goals from former trainee Kurt Nogan, who was making his League debut, and Kingsley Black earned them a point.

Luton are now struggling to hold onto Black, the Northern Ireland international left winger who hit the

headlines with his performance in the 1988 Littlewoods Cup Final victory over Arsenal. He was linked with a move to us before the transfer deadline last month and has attracted the attention of many other clubs.

Goalkeeper Alec Chamberlain has been one of their biggest success stories with some outstanding performances that have made a big contribution to the points that they have gained.

Chamberlain started his career with Colchester and some fine displays in the Fourth Division enticed Everton into splashing out £80,000 for his services.

Unfortunately, due to the form of Welsh international Neville Southall, he did not manage a League appearance at Goodison Park, and moved to Luton in the summer of 1988 where he has since taken over from Les Sealey.

Of course, Luton's midfield is built around our former player Danny Wilson, who having left the City Ground for Brighton, arrived at Kenilworth Road in 1987 where he has become a key figure and established himself as a regular in Northern Ireland's international side.

MEET THE

Jim Ryan was a natural choice to succeed Ray Harford when he parted company with Luton Town earlier this year.

Because the 44-year-old Scot had served "The Hatters" as a player and worked under Harford, manager at Kenilworth Road since June, 1987, in a coaching capacity.



MANAGER

As a player, Ryan collected a European Cup winners' medal in 1968 when he was a substitute for Manchester United in their famous win over Benfica at Wembley.

He joined Luton in 1970 and then, after helping them win promotion from the Second Division four years later, moved to the United States in 1976 to serve Dallas Tornado and Wichita Wings.

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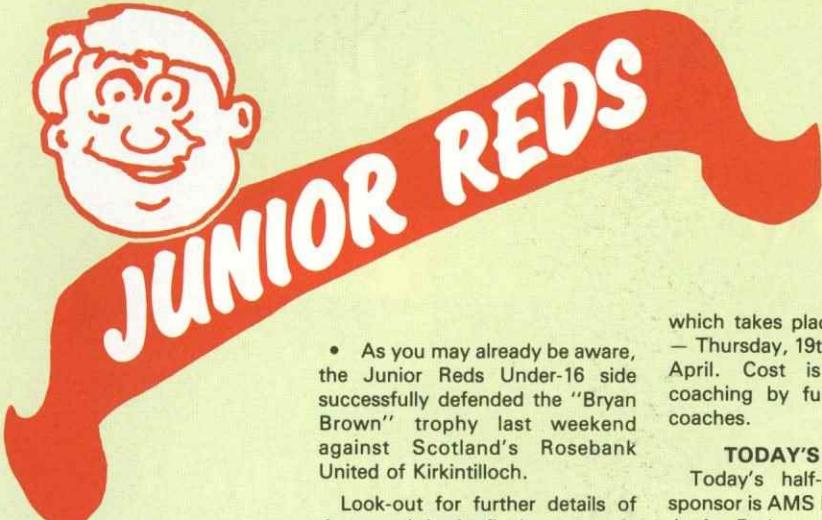
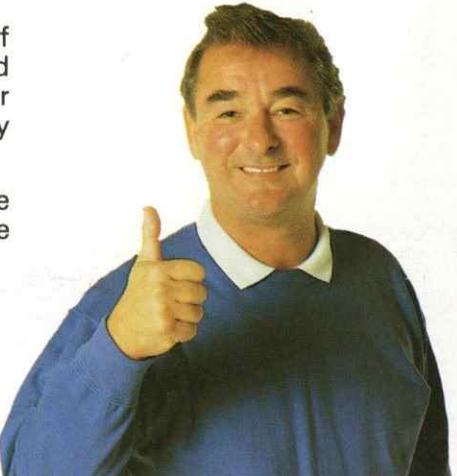


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- As you may already be aware, the Junior Reds Under-16 side successfully defended the "Bryan Brown" trophy last weekend against Scotland's Rosebank United of Kirkintilloch.

Look-out for further details of that match in the final programme of the season, against Manchester United on Saturday, 2nd May.

WEMBLEY COACH

One or two seats are still available on the Junior Reds Executive Coach trip to the Littlewoods Cup final on Sunday, 29th April.

The trip is only open to Junior Reds aged 10 or over and tickets cost £24, which includes : match-ticket, souvenir programme and lots of other Wembley goodies.

Anyone who is interested in filling the vacant seats should contact the Junior Reds office as soon as possible on Nottingham 455206.

EASTER SOCCER SCHOOL

There are also a few places left on the Easter Soccer School,



which takes place later this week — Thursday, 19th and Friday, 20th April. Cost is £15, including coaching by fully qualified F.A. coaches.

TODAY'S SPONSOR

Today's half-time prize draw sponsor is AMS Marketing and the Junior Reds organisers would like to thank them for their valuable support.

LITTER PICK

Anyone wishing to take part in tomorrow morning's Litter Pick — which is being held, in conjunction with McDonalds, in the Executive Stand — must contact the Junior Reds Office TODAY !

That's because each participant will receive a certificate and organisers need to know who will be attending so as to prepare the personalised certificates.

PHOTO OPPOSITE

Forest director Irving Korn pictured handing over a sponsorship cheque to assist with the purchase of Junior Reds T-shirts. Also in the picture are Junior Reds chairman John Hickling, recent signing Ian Woan and Junior Reds co-ordinator Janice Tinkley.

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Sutty's view

I'm sure you've read in the local, or even national press about the next major event on my testimonial calendar . . . an auction.

Of course, all the talk has been about Manchester City 'keeper Andy Dibble's donation — the glove he was wearing when Gary "Bing" Crosby cheekily headed the ball out of his hand to score the winner in our League match at the City Ground last month.

The glove and match ball are to be mounted — as if you didn't already know — and will form the 'star lot' at the auction in the Jubilee Centre at the City Ground on Tuesday, 24th April, starting 7.30 p.m.

Throughout my testimonial season I've been struck by the generosity of people in the game . . . and the auction has been no exception.

Nearly all of the First Division clubs have sent something to be "sold off" while the likes of David Seaman, Peter Shilton, Nigel Martyn and Neville Southall have made donations.

The full list of items is . . .

Goalkeepers jerseys : Scotland (sent by Norwich's Bryan Gunn), Wimbledon (Hans Segers), two signed by Tottenham, Manchester United, Southampton, England (David Seaman), Everton, Notts County, Chelsea and Manchester City.

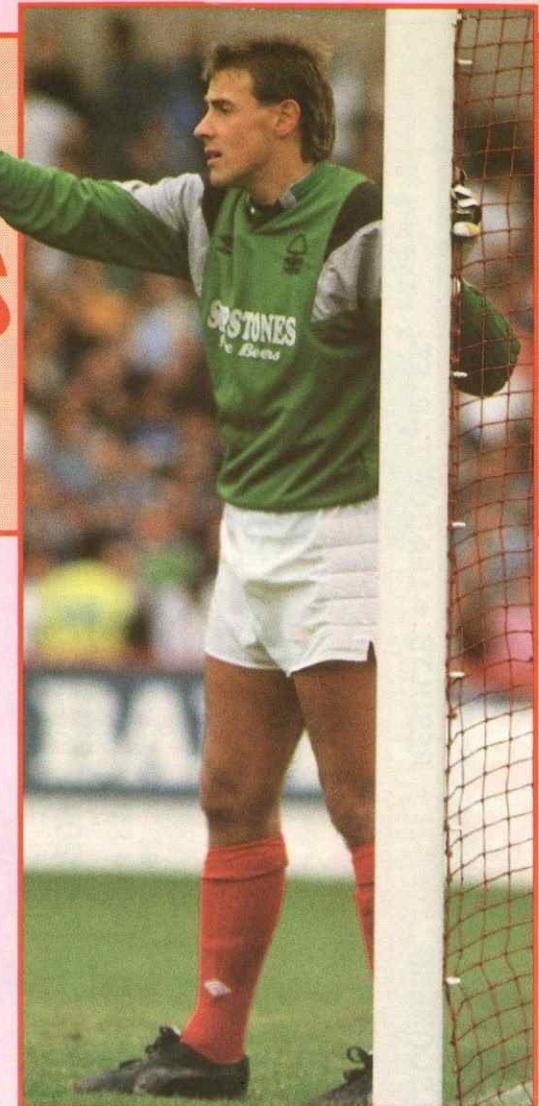
Team shirts : Leeds, Mansfield, Sheffield Wednesday and a signed green sweatshirt donated by Brian Clough.

Signed footballs : Leeds, Aston Villa, Notts County, Stoke City (signed by Sir Stanley Matthews), Coventry, Manchester United x 2, Charlton, Southampton, Manchester City x 2, Liverpool, Norwich, Everton.

Two balls, signed by our 1979 European Cup winning squad and our 1989 Simod Cup winning side, are also up for grabs.

Gloves : Nigel Martyn, Neville Southall, Chris Turner, David Seaman and Steve Sutton (whoever he is !), plus a baby pair from Phil Parkes.

Nottinghamshire cricketer Derek Randall has donated his medal from the 1985 "Sharjah Trophy" and Aston Villa's Nigel



Spink has sent a solid silver replica of his 1982 European Cup winners medal.

Various smaller items — including banners, badges, key rings etc. — will also be on sale.

I'm sure you'll agree there's a great deal to choose from and I'd like to thank everyone who had made a donation.

Please remember to make a note in your diary : Tuesday, 24th April in the Jubilee Centre at the City Ground, starting at 7.30 p.m.

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STEVE SUTTON

In his 10th year since making his debut against Norwich, he celebrates his 29th birthday today.

BRIAN LAWS

The former Burnley, Huddersfield and Middlesbrough full back is now heading for 100 appearances with us.

STEVE CHETTLE

Showed his versatility by filling in at left back when both Stuart Pearce and Brett Williams were out through injury.

DES WALKER

An ever present this season, he continues to produce the brilliant displays that make him an England regular.

TERRY WILSON

The 21-year-old Scot, still chiefly regarded as a midfield player, has figured mainly in defence this season.

STEVE HODGE

Scored his 13th goal of the season in our last home game against Tottenham Hotspur.

GARY CROSBY

Missed only one game this season — against Q.P.R. — after being troubled by a knee injury last year.

GARRY PARKER

Scored one of our goals in a 3-2 win over Luton at Kenilworth Road last season.

NIGEL CLOUGH

Scored twice in last season's Littlewoods Cup Final — and also two in the league against Luton.

NIGEL JEMSON

The former Preston striker made his first team debut for us when we visited Luton at Kenilworth Road last December.

FRANZ CARR

Back in our front line after a three-month spell on loan with Sheffield Wednesday.

1

ALEC CHAMBERLAIN

Firmly established as Luton's first choice goalkeeper, he was signed from Everton in the summer of 1988.

2

TIM BREAKER

An England Under-21 right-back, who made his debut for Luton in 1984.

3

DARREN McDONOUGH

He made over 180 League appearances for Oldham before joining Luton for £87,000 in 1986.

4

MICK KENNEDY

Joined Luton last August from Leicester after spells with Halifax, Huddersfield, Middlesbrough, Portsmouth and Bradford.

5

JULIAN JAMES

A product of the club's youth policy, made his mark on the first-team scene during the 1987-88 season.

6

JOHN DREYER

Had spells on loan in the lower divisions with Torquay and Fulham before joining Luton from Oxford in 1988.

7

DANNY WILSON

The Northern Ireland international had a 10-month spell here at the City Ground earlier in his career.

8

RICHARD COOKE

Started his career with Tottenham and, ironically, scored on his debut for the North London club — against Luton.

9

IAIN DOWIE

A prolific marksman in non-league football, he was signed for £30,000 from Hendon early last year.

10

DAVID PREECE

Busy little midfield player, he's proved to be a bargain buy since joining Luton from Walsall in 1984.

11

KINGSLEY BLACK

Talented winger who first hit the headlines after his outstanding performance in the 1988 Littlewoods Cup final.

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