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•Iain Dowie's second-half header against Manchester United thumps against the post.

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•Richard Harvey, on the ball, is closed down (top) by Brian McClair during Tuesday nights match. David Preece (below) fires in a drive during the second half with Mike Phelan moving into challenge.

## COVER STORY

On our cover today, we feature Tim Breacker who laid on the second goal for Lars Elstrup during last Saturdays 2-1 win at Southampton.



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# JIM RYAN

Welcome to Leeds United, back in the First Division after a long absence, and playing some good football, as I saw when I watched them play Manchester United last week. They have some good players and I think a very entertaining match is in prospect today as we continue to settle into a pattern which will bring us more consistency.

Our young players have made a bright start to the new season and I do not think we could have asked any more from the team than they gave against Manchester United on Tuesday. Of course, we were disappointed not to win. It is high time Luton Town beat my old club and I admit I am a bad loser - especially against them. But there were some promising things in our play and, after four games, I can see some evidence that the sort of pattern and system I want is beginning to emerge. If we can get into a settled pattern of play, then I am sure we will find more consistency and with it more consistent results. We want to win points regularly - not in fits and starts - and that is the main ambition at the moment.

As many of our supporters will know, we have had Israeli international Shalom Tikva with us on trial recently. I expect to take a close look at him myself on Tuesday when the reserves play at Chelsea. He is a very talented attacking midfield player, but I have to be certain he will fit into our pattern. We have also had two other almost 'new' faces with us again in training this last week - Graham Rodger and Sean Farrell. Both have recovered from long-term injuries and it is good to have them back. They are now working for match fitness. Mick O'Brien is now the only long-term man left on the injured list and we wish him well as he continues his recovery. He only has to look at the examples of Rodger and Farrell for encouragement. Sean's last full game was on the opening day of last season.

*Jim Ryan*

# Mailbag & Supporters News

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## Performance of the week clash

This afternoon's visitors Leeds United won the Barclays Performance of the Week award on the first Saturday of the season for their 3-2 away win at Everton. Last Saturday, the award was won by none other than the Town for their equally impressive 2-1 triumph at Southampton. Well done, both teams.

## Football Watch

Dear Sir  
Football Watch started in the West Midlands in August 1988, you may recall we forwarded you a copy asking you to assist us by publishing the concept of Football Watch in your match day programme preceding any visit to the West Midlands.

Football Watch is in operation for the forthcoming season and again I seek your co-operation in explaining to your travelling fans the type of behaviour which is unacceptable to the clubs in our area, to local law abiding football supporters and to West Midlands Police.

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Full co-operation is essential if the venture is to succeed, following the positive steps taken by the police and supporters organisations we have seen a decrease in the number of arrests and ejections for the first time in 5 years here in the West Midlands, but we must not be complacent, it only takes a small minority to spoil the enjoyment of others.

Yours sincerely  
West Midlands Police Headquarters

### JIM CHAPMAN

#### A long-serving supporter

One of our longest-serving and most loyal supporters Jim Chapman, MBE, collapsed and died in Kenilworth Road on Saturday, August 25, when he was on his way to the match here against Crystal Palace. Jim was an employee of Luton Borough Council for more than 37 years until retiring seven years ago.

He received his MBE for services to local government and first began attending matches at Kenilworth Road in 1952, standing behind the Kenilworth Road goal. He rarely missed more than one or two matches per season. Jim is survived by his two children and three grandchildren to whom the club send their condolences.

### FAN FILE

#### No 3: JOHN PYPER



Supporters Club No:- 007

Occupation:- Studio

Manager

1st home game:- Tranmere won 2-0 68-69 Div 4

1st away game:- Northampton won 2-0 68-69 Div 3

Favourite player (Past),

Malcolm Macdonald (Present), Tim Breacker.

Best goal last season:-

Kingsley Black's last v Derby

Best ever goals:- Raddy

Antic v Manchester City 82-83

Visited league grounds:-

70 plus Bristol R, Chester, Walsall, Charlton, Scunthorpe. (Old Grounds)

Most memorable game:-

Littlewoods Cup final 1988

All time team:-

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The centre will provide regular training sessions for local exceptional players in the North Herts area and all coaching will be supervised by Luton Town's Youth Development Officer Paul Lowe. The area has proved to be a fruitful one for Luton Town in the past and there is plenty of talent.

### NEW SOCCERLINE NUMBER AND NEW SERVICE

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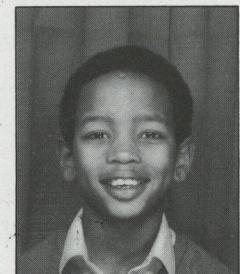
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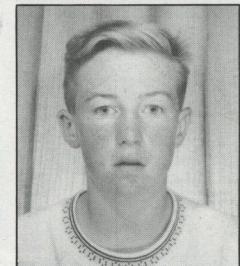
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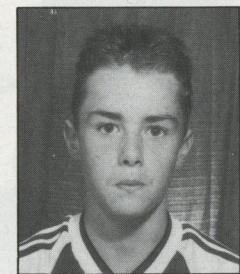
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Martin Young



Neal Butler



Mark Curtin

Others who have had birthdays lately include goalkeeper Peter Mumford from Whitewell, near Hitchin, and Paul Phillips, a midfielder from Buckingham. Paul Lowe, Youth Development Officer.

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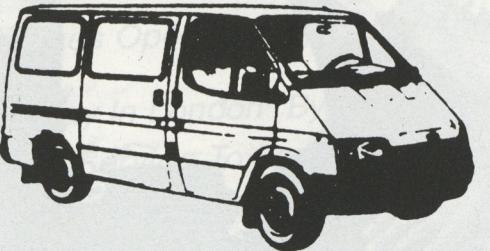
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Gary Pallister and Iain Dowie battle it out in the air during Tuesday night's match.

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Tickets for seats for this match will be available at £9 from now until Sept 14 at 4pm. There are no concessions. Supporters wishing to stand at this match can pay on the turnstiles on the day. Price £6. No concessions.

Southern Junior  
Floodlit Cup  
Luton Town v  
Birmingham City  
Monday, September 10,  
1990. Kick-off 7.30pm.  
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Luton Town  
v Coventry City  
Saturday, September 22,  
1990. Kick-off 3pm.

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by BILL TOMLINS

# AROUND THE TOWN

## PACKING THE SKIP



• Our kit man Jim McCabe is pictured preparing for another away trip. Jim is also our coach driver and one of the team's biggest fans.

# THE TOWN

## LEEDS RETURN AFTER

This afternoon we welcome Leeds United back to Kenilworth Road 15 years after they last played here in a First Division fixture. That was in March 1975 and, if my recollections are accurate, it was a thrilling match in which we triumphed 2-1 with early goals from John Aston and Peter Anderson, two of current team manager Jim Ryan's team-mates.

Leeds' returned to the top flight, of course, by winning the Second Division championship last season, a feat for which we congratulate them. It ended their eight-year absence from the First Division which has coincided with our own promotion and consolidation since 1982.

Leeds are a club which has had a very high profile in recent years caused partly by a small element of the club's followers who have done nothing to enhance their name. I know Leeds are making every human effort possible, as a club, to solve this particular problem and overcome the trouble caused by a minority of fans whose behaviour can damage a great club.

Today, we expect a lot of attention to be focussed on this afternoon's fixture and I certainly hope the

media find themselves concentrating on events on the field and not off it during what should be a very entertaining match.

As all our members will know, a decision was taken to revise the guesting rules for this match and to operate a restriction on them. This was done with everyone's safety in mind as we continue to closely monitor our membership scheme with a view to making a full review of it in the future.

I am sure Jim Ryan and the team will be doing their best to provide plenty of excitement and we hope to continue the form which brought victory at Southampton last Saturday. It was a performance which earned the Barclays Performance of the Week award for Luton Town.

Credit for that is fully due to Jim, his coaches and the team for achieving a great result. It was the second time, in fact, in three away matches that we have won this award as the dramatic victory at Derby on the last day of last season also earned the team the Barclays' then.

Each award earns a full set of playing kit to be presented to a local Boys' Club, a cheque for £300 and an

## A 15-YEAR ABSENCE

engraved silver salver. Both the kits will be presented on September 22 when we entertain Coventry City and the two fortunate Boys' Clubs will be the Limbury Boys Club, for the Derby win, and the Bedford Boys Club, for the Southampton win.

The award-winning performances are selected, incidentally, by a panel of our leading managers including the England manager. This means we have earned a nomination from both Bobby Robson and Graham Taylor already this year.

Further recognition of the club's playing prowess has come at international level this week with Iain Dowie and Kingsley Black both earning selection for Northern Ireland's full squad to meet Yugoslavia next week and Julian James gaining a call to the England under-21 squad for their match against Hungary.

This sort of international notice of the players has only added to the buzz which was created by last Saturday's fine results when we were victorious at all three levels of the club with the first team and the reserves performing a double over

the Saints and the youth team beating Maidstone 5-0.

With such long-term injured men as Graham Rodger and Sean Farrell also back this week in full training, together with Richard Cooke, there has been a positive feel around Kenilworth Road which I am sure will rub off on Mick O'Brien as he begins his own comeback trail.

Mick, who has had a very difficult time since breaking his leg last season, will soon have the plate removed and the bone has healed well. He will not be back in full training, however, for another four weeks or more and it is at times like this that the support of the rest of the lads is so important to him as they maintain his motivation.

Finally, a brief word on the new rules as we have seen them – or not seen them – this season. I do not know if many fans would agree with me, but until Tuesday night I had not seen the revised offside rule or the new professional foul law enforced very strongly by the referees so far. The new laws were introduced to improve the attacking quality of the game, as Alex Ferguson said. Let's hope he is proved right.

## CAPTAIN'S DIARY



JOHN DREYER

### JUST REWARD

I think three points at Southampton last Saturday was just reward for effort that day. We scored two well-worked goals which made it a great day for Lars Elstrup.

In midweek, we entertained Manchester United who clung on to their 1-0 advantage despite us going close on several occasions. I have come to the conclusion that they are just a bogey team to us. Hopefully our young team have taken something from the defeat and will benefit from the experience.

### Welcome back

On a brighter note, I would like to welcome back two players who suffered long-term injuries, Graham Rodger and Sean Farrell, or Grezza and Fazza as they are known to the lads.

Grezza, who is reknowned for his bad gear will be eager to get back into the first team. So too will Fazza, famous for his George Michael impersonations. Good luck to both.

Leeds are our opponents today. We welcome them and hope you will help cheer us back to winning ways.



**Painful challenge:** Iain Dowie feels the pain as Jimmy Case gets stuck in during last week's win at The Dell. The actions in the dug out show what the Town thought of the challenge.



• **Rear view:** Club photographer Josh Levy is snapped in a cheeky pose during the recent first team photo-call.

# FIRST TEAM ACTION

Southampton 1 Luton Town 2

Two well-taken goals by our Danish international striker Lars Elstrup secured the Town's first victory of the season at The Dell last Saturday. Elstrup, struck after 18 and 26 minutes and was unlucky not to grab his first Barclays League hat-trick with a shot which struck the bar.

The first goal came when he ran on to a long pass from Julian James, outstripped the defence and drove in through Tim Flowers' attempted save. The second followed with a perfect header from a long cross by Tim Breacker.

Southampton responded with a goal by Paul Rideout after 31 minutes when he tapped in after good work by Matthew Le Tissier.

**Luton Town:** Chamberlain, Breacker, James, McDonough, (Harvey 46), Beaumont, Dreyer, Elstrup, Preece, Dowie, Hughes, Rees (Nogan 73).

**Southampton:** Flowers, Cherednik, Adams, Case, Moore, Osman, Le Tissier, Horne, Ridout, Cockerill (Shearer 65), Rod Wallace (Ruddock 65).

**Referee:** M. Boddenham (Looe).

**Attendance:** 14,878.



• Thrills all the way: Our action pictures from The Dell show all the excitement from last week's great 2-1 win. Tim Breacker (opposite top) is setting up Lars Elstrup's second goal, Lars (opposite bottom) fires in his first, Lars is caught in action on the wing (above) while (below) Julian James bursts forwards. Pictures by Josh Levy of Apex Photography.

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Iain Dowie is congratulated after scoring against Crystal Palace on the opening day.





## PLAYER PROFILE

### IAIN DOWIE

**Name:** Iain Dowie

**Born:** Hatfield

**Date:** 9-1-65

**Height:** 6ft 1 1/2in.

**Weight:** 13st 2lb.

**Married:** No, but engaged to Deborah Betyeeman

**Who would you most like to meet and why?:** Sir John Betjeman - brilliant mind

**What other sportsman would you most like to be and why?:** Daley Thompson - enjoys life.

**How many O levels did you get?:** 11

**What are your hobbies?:** Travel, poetry, eating out, fashion.

**Who are four favourite pop stars?:**

Elton John, George Benson.

**What is your favourite food?:** Sunday Roast

**What is your favourite ground and why?:** Highbury, great atmosphere.

**Who is your most difficult opponent and why?:** Gary Pallister, strong & mobile.

**Who is your favourite other player and why?:** Norman Whiteside - much maligned yet brilliant.

**Have you got a nickname at Luton?:**

"Downer".

**What is your idea of relaxation?:** Golf, reading, poetry, DIY, movies.

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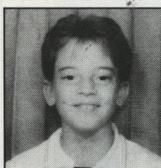


# BARCLAYS Junior Hatters

With  
JASON  
REES

- As most Junior Hatters will already know, Barclays have agreed to continue to sponsor us again this season. This is great news and I am told the bank want to make things even more interesting for everyone this year.
- As well as sponsoring us, Barclays have launched a great new competition (full details on this page). It lasts all season and we will report every two months on those in the lead in this competition. The prizes are tremendous so don't be late with your entries.
- Last weekend, it was really nice to see so many Junior Hatters down at Southampton - and what a result! Our first win. I hope you enjoyed playing against the Junior Saints and made lots of friends.
- On Thursday night against Manchester United, I told you about the visit to Drayton Manor Park planned for Sunday September 30. This is going to be a great day out and loads of fun. Call in to the Sports Shop in Oak Road if you want more details.
- The day before the outing, on Saturday September 29, we will be running a special coach for Junior Hatters to Norwich. There will be a show in the morning by D.J. Bear, the Football League mascot, at Norwich Sports Village. Fantastic!
- I am told this is something not to be missed...So make sure you book up. The coach leaves from the Oak Road car park at 8.30am. Prices for this family day out are £10 for parents and £8.50 for Juniors. Tickets include entry to the match.
- Our Lucky Junior Hatters number today is 270062 - Philip Turner. Well done, Philip. You have won two free tickets to a home game. Take your card to show Bev Tyler in the Sports Shop.

## MASCOT



James Sudder

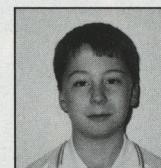
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## BARCLAYS JUNIOR HATTERS COMPETITION ANSWERS TO MATCH NO.2

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BY WENDY GRZYBOWSKA

## TALKING TO THE TOWN



• Star interview Kingsley Black is the first man on the line on our new Soccerline service. Call 0839 664466.

## FRIENDSHIP IN FOOTBALL



• Junior presentation: Ted Green of Unigate (left back) is pictured with Southampton player Neil Maddison and Dave Horcock together with Junior Saint Scot Ferguson and Junior hatter Philip Sharp at The Dell last week. The Juniors' presentation is sponsored by Unigate.

## NEW SOCCERLINE SET

On Monday, September 10, we shall be launching our new and more informative Soccerline service which offers all our supporters, whether they live in Luton or around the county, a chance to keep fully up to date with all that is happening "around the Town."

The new service will give all our supporters an opportunity, for the first time, to ask any questions they like of players, management or club officials and have them answered personally on Soccerline.

This part of the service will be called the Fans Phone-In - and that is exactly what it is. It will offer all of us at the club a chance to forge much closer links to our supporters and help us understand what they are being offered a menu of the five thinking and why. And, at the same time, it will help all our fans described. Callers need only say

to know what we are thinking and why certain decisions are made.

The new Soccerline will have five different lines on offer altogether - the others will offer Today's Club News, Star Interviews, Match Ticket Information and Bookings and a guide to What's On at Kenilworth Road in the week ahead.

All five lines will cover the areas of information within the club which are most popular with our fans. Now everyone can be kept right up to date on a regular basis. The calls will be charged at 44p per minute during peak hours and 33p per minute off-peak.

Callers to the service will ring 0839 66 44 66 and will be connected with the familiar sounds of Soccerline before being offered a menu of the five thinking and why. And, at the same time, it will help all our fans described. Callers need only say

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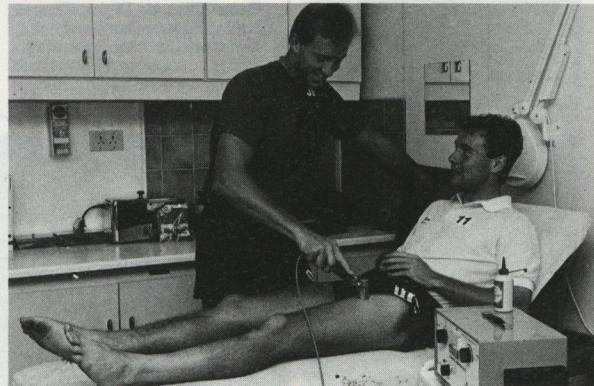
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Our match today is sponsored by a number of companies: John Eastaff Builders' Merchants, Fourth Dimension Ltd., Capital Metalwork Ltd., G.C. McKeown and Trimoco Leasing. I hope they all enjoy their day and the match.

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Finally, a warm welcome to our guests in the match day box for this afternoon's match Brier Press Ltd. Let us all enjoy a good match.

## TREATMENT TABLE



• Easing the pain: Physio Dave Galley treats Kingsley Black's thigh strain to help make sure he was fit to play against Manchester United last Tuesday.

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## OVENDEN PAPERS FOOTBALL COMBINATION 1990/91

Date	Opponents	Result
1990/91		F-A
Aug 29	Fulham	3-0
Sept 1	Southampton	3-2
Sept 11	Chelsea	
Sept 15	Watford	
Sept 25	Charlton Athletic	
Sept 29	West Ham United	
Oct 6	Millwall	
Oct 10	Brighton & Hove Albion	
Oct 13	Reading	
Oct 20	Chelsea	
Oct 27	Portsmouth	
Nov 3	Crystal Palace	
Nov 10	Millwall	
Nov 20	QPR	
Nov 28	Swindon Town	
Dec 1	Oxford United	
Dec 12	Reading	
Dec 15	Wimbledon	
Dec 22	Charlton Athletic	
Jan 5	Tottenham Hotspur	
1991		
Jan 18	Norwich City	
Jan 22	Portsmouth	
Jan 26	QPR	
Feb 6	Oxford United	
Feb 9	Arsenal	
Feb 16	Fulham	
Feb 23	Tottenham Hotspur	
Mar 5	Watford	
Mar 19	Swindon Town	
Mar 20	Crystal Palace	
Mar 23	Ipswich Town	
Mar 30	Southampton	
Apr 8	Millwall	
Apr 16	Norwich	
Apr 20	Ipswich Town	
Apr 23	Arsenal	
May 2	West Ham United	
May 4	Brighton & Hove Albion	

## OVENDEN PAPERS FOOTBALL COMBINATION FINAL TABLE 1989-90

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Arsenal	38	26	6	6	84	51	84
Tottenham Hotspur	38	25	6	7	93	47	81
Chelsea	38	22	6	10	78	47	72
Millwall	38	20	11	7	58	36	71
Norwich City	38	20	7	11	66	41	67
Wimbledon	38	18	9	11	69	46	63
West Ham United	38	18	7	13	83	59	61
Oxford United	38	16	9	13	73	58	57
Brighton & Hove Albion	38	15	6	17	52	66	51
Portsmouth	38	12	13	13	47	57	49
Swindon Town	38	15	3	20	58	68	48
<b>Luton Town</b>	<b>38</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>68</b>	<b>70</b>	<b>47</b>
QPR	38	14	5	19	65	93	47
Crystal Palace	38	11	10	17	56	50	43
Southampton	38	10	12	16	45	58	42
Ipswich Town	38	12	5	21	60	75	41
Watford	38	11	8	19	59	79	41
Reading	38	11	8	19	64	86	41
Charlton Athletic	38	11	6	21	49	70	39
Fulham	38	4	7	27	25	95	19

## RESERVES - APPEARANCES &amp; GOALSCORERS

	Football Combination	
	Apps	Gls
ALLPRESS	2	-
BROWN	1	1
CRAWSHAW	1(1)	-
GRAY	2	2
GILLARD	1(1)	-
JACKSON	2	-
JOHNSON	1	-
McGONAGLE	1	1
PETTERSON	2	-
PEMBRIDGE	2	-
RICHARDS	-(1)	-
SALTON	2	-
SCOTT	-(1)	1
TELFER	1	1
TIKVA	2	-
WILLIAMS	2	-



Stuart Brown

## MATCH DIGEST

**Fixture:** Bristol City (away)  
**Date:** August 25  
**Competition:** South East Counties League  
**Result:** 1-2  
**Scorer:** Cooper  
**Team:** Hancock, Dibley, Cooper, Sutton, Brittain, Campbell, Newman, Cormley, Rutherford, Thompson, Lawford. Subs: Elliott, Moore.

## MATCH DIGEST

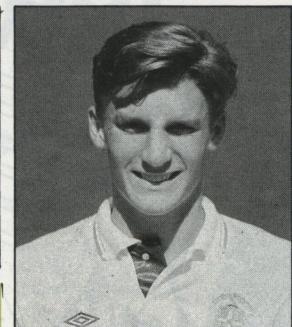
**Fixture:** Fulham (away)  
**Date:** August 29  
**Competition:** Football Combination  
**Result:** 3-0  
**Scorers:** Telfer, Gray, Scott.  
**Team:** Petterson, Allpress, Johnson, Williams, Jackson, Salton, Telfer, Tikva, Gray, Crawshaw, Pembridge. Substitutes: Scott and Gillard.

## MATCH DIGEST

**Fixture:** Maidstone (home)  
**Date:** September 1  
**Competition:** South East Counties  
**Result:** 5-0  
**Scorers:** Campbell, Gormley, Thompson, Newman 2.  
**Team:** Hancock, Holton, Cooper, Sutton, Brittain, Campbell, Murray, Gormley, Rutherford, Thompson, Lawford. Subs: Elliott, Newman.

## MATCH DIGEST

**Fixture:** Southampton (home)  
**Date:** September 1  
**Competition:** Football Combination  
**Results:** 3-2  
**Scorers:** McGonagle, Gray, Brown.  
**Team:** Petterson, Allpress, Gillard, Williams, Jackson, Salton, McGonagle, Tikva, Gray, Brown, Pembridge. Subs: Richards, Crawshaw.



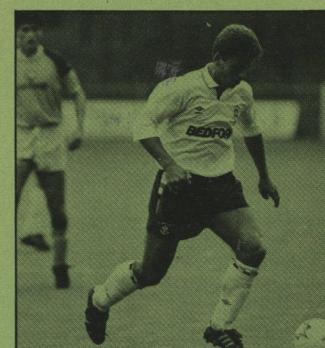
Matthew Jackson played in win over Southampton.

## SOUTH EAST COUNTIES FINAL LEAGUE TABLE 1989-90

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Crystal Palace	30	23	5	2	74	23	51
Oxford United	30	19	4	7	69	34	42
Northampton	30	14	7	9	48	37	35
Southampton	30	13	8	9	41	37	34
Wimbledon	30	13	7	10	54	32	33
<b>Luton Town</b>	<b>30</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>42</b>	<b>47</b>	<b>32</b>
Brighton & Hove Albion	30	13	4	13	45	39	30
Colchester United	30	14	2	14	48	48	30
Bristol Rovers	30	14	2	14	51	60	30
Reading	30	12	5	13	43	38	29
Bristol City	30	13	3	14	43	40	29
A.F.C. Bournemouth	30	10	7	13	45	47	27
Brentford	30	10	6	14	47	51	26
Tottenham Hotspur	30	10	2	18	38	57	22
Swindon	30	9	4	17	37	57	22
Aldershot	30	3	2	25	26	104	8

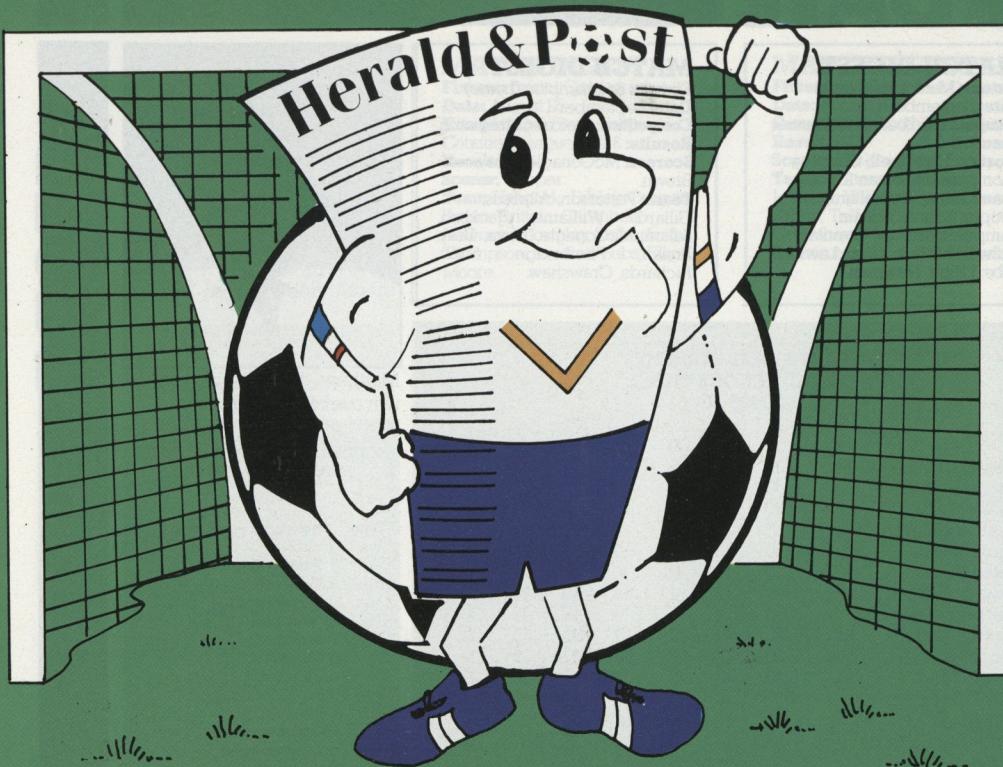
## YOUTH TEAM - APPEARANCES &amp; GOALSCORERS

	SEC League	Apps	Gls
BRITTAIN	2	-	-
CAMPBELL	2	1	-
COOPER	2	1	-
DIBLEY	1	-	-
ELLIOTT	-(2)	-	-
GORMLEY	2	1	-
HANCOCK	2	-	-
HOLTON	1	-	-
LAWFORD	2	-	-
MOORE	-(1)	-	-
MURRAY	1	-	-
NEWMAN	1(1)	2	-
RUTHERFORD	2	-	-
SUTTON	2	-	-
THOMPSON	2	1	-



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## Guest Spot

**"The first result I'll look for"  
says Syd Owen**

Former Town captain and England centre-half Syd Owen now lives in Leeds, the city in which he enjoyed a long and successful coaching career with today's visitors Leeds United. We asked Syd for his thoughts on Leeds' return to the top and how he felt about today's clash at Kenilworth Road.

"I spent most of my career with Luton Town except for one year with Birmingham City, so I shall always have special feelings for the club," said Syd. "It will be just the same this season and the Luton-Leeds match will be the first result I look for on Saturday night.

"I left Birmingham for Luton after only one year, after joining them straight from the Air Force in 1945, because the manager at the time, Harry Storer, did not think I was physically strong enough to succeed in football. I was transfer listed for £1,500.

"I preferred to play my football with my brain than throw my weight about and he was a big man, a cricketer with Derbyshire, and he thought differently. So, I went to Luton. And I thoroughly enjoyed all my years at Kenilworth Road.

"My connections with Leeds were all through coaching their youth teams and there is a strong similarity you know between the situation now and the one in the early 1960's, when I was at Elland Road, and the team reached the First Division.

"Then it was Liverpool at the top and Leeds behind them, just as it is now (after three matches). Nowadays, I rarely go to professional games unless I am asked to by old colleagues or men I once coached. Terry Cooper, for example, often asks me to take a look at a player for him and make a report.

"So I have a lot of friends and feelings with both clubs from the past and it will be something when the teams meet again. Luton have done extremely well to stabilise and stay in the First Division for so long. Leeds, as I know from living here, have stimulated great excitement in the city this season and everyone is really looking forward to the season at Elland Road. I hope it is a great match."

## And coming here next...

### COVENTRY CITY



Winners of the FA Cup only three years ago and still among the top clubs in the First Division, the Sky Blues from the Midlands will be Kenilworth Road's next top flight visitors in two weeks time. Always an entertaining team with plenty of attacking players, Coventry made an unbeaten start to the new campaign in their opening three games and they will be hoping to do better than last year when they finished 12th in the First Division and reached the semi-finals of the Littlewoods Cup.

At one stage last season, the Sky Blues held high hopes of finishing in the top six and producing their best league position in 23 successive years in the First Division but they managed only five points from their last nine matches and slipped down the table.

They have started this season with much the same players who served them well last term and that means the inclusion of such men as giant goalkeeper Steve Ogrizovic. England B defender Brian Borrows, England under-21 winger David Smith, flying Scotland B forward Kevin Gallacher and dangerous strikers in fiery Scot David Speedie and former Rangers star Kevin Drinkel.

Last season: March 7, 1990 - Luton Town 3 (Dowie, Black, Gray) Coventry City 2 (Drinkell, Regis) 8,244.

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- Lars Elstrup rises above Russell Osman to head the Town's second goal at The Dell (above) and Iain Dowie feels the force of Osman's ground attacks (below).



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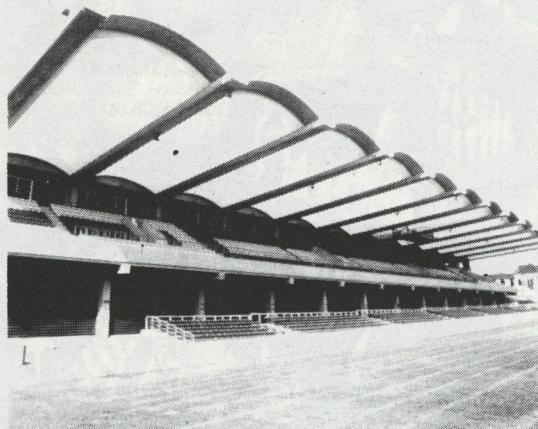


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# WELCOME TO... LEEDS UNITED



Back Row: (l to r) Chris O'Donnell, Chris Kanara, Winnie Jones, John Pearson, Lee Chapman, John McClelland, Peter Haddock, Andy Williams. Middle Row: (l to r) Alan Sutton (physio), Chris Fairclough, Simon Grayson, Dylan Kerr, John Lukic, Mervyn Day, Chris Whyte, Mike Whitlow, Mel Sterland, Michael Hennigan (coach). Front Row: (l to r) Bobby Davision, Chris Fairclough, Gary Speed, Glynn Snodin, Howard Wilkinson (Manager), Gordon Strachan, Jim Beglin, Imre Veradi, David Batty.

Good afternoon and a warm welcome to Kenilworth Road to Leeds United who visit us today for the first time in the league for more than 15 years. Leeds were promoted to Division One this year as Second Division champions and we congratulate them on this feat.

● Manager Howard Wilkinson will be trying this season to end once and for all the constant comparisons he and his predecessors have faced with the great Leeds team which dominated English football in the early 1970s. The Leeds team of that era contained the likes of Terry Cooper, Billy Bremner, Jack Charlton, Allan Clarke and Johnny Giles and they were constantly challenging for cups and championships. Their success during that period under the late Don Revie has made it very difficult for every subsequent incumbent of the boss's office at Elland Road.

● Wilkinson, however, formerly with Sheffield Wednesday, knew all about that when he took the job on and he has proved that he means serious business this season with several big money signings for Leeds return to the big time.

● Leeds United were formed in 1919 after the disbandment of Leeds City following allegations of illegal payments to players. They joined the Midland

League playing their first game in November of that year. It was in the same month that talks for an amalgamation with Huddersfield Town fell through and the club has flourished since.

● Leed's greatest achievements have been winning the League Championship in 1969 and 1974, winning the FA Cup in 1972 and the European Fairs Cup twice in 1968 and 1971. Leed's biggest achievements in recent years have been in reaching the FA Cup semi-final in 1987 and, of course, gaining promotion last season.

● Howard Wilkinson is the 14th post-war manager at Elland Road in a list which includes such names as Revie, Brian Clough, Jock Stein, Clarke, Jimmy Armfield, Eddie Gray and Bremner. Wilkinson has assembled a team capable of producing a very promising season and his new signings have joined a squad bristling with experience and determination.

● Last weekend, Leeds maintained their unbeaten start to the season and moved into second place in the First Division with a convincing 3-0 home victory over Norwich City. Chapman scored twice and Varadi once in front of a 25,684 crowd at Elland Road. This result followed a 3-2 victory over Everton at Goodison Park and a 0-0 draw at home to Manchester United.

# OFF THE RECORD

## LOOKING BACK WITH JOHN FAULKNER

Although playing as a youth for Charlton Athletic John Faulkner decided to forsake the professional game and instead qualify as a Quantity Surveyor whilst turning out for non-league Sutton United, writes Roger Wash.

During his time there Sutton were drawn at home in the F.A. Cup to the mighty Leeds United and despite losing 6-0 John Faulkner stared and was approached by Leeds to see if he would like to join the professional ranks.

"I decided to take the gamble as Leeds were amongst the top sides in the country at that time and it was not long before it made my first team debut at home to Burnley in a game where one of the goals scored by Eddie Gray is still repeated on television.

"In my next game, against Manchester City, disaster struck as I broke my knee cap with only ten minutes remaining and did not play again for a year. When I was fully fit again I could only manage two UEFA appearances for Leeds in my last six months there".

When Harry Haslam came in for John in March 1972 he jumped at the chance of regular first team football and enjoyed six seasons with the Town which included promotion to Division One in 1973/

### LAST FIVE MEETINGS AT KENILWORTH ROAD

1974/75	22/3/75	Luton 2 (Aston, Anderson) Leeds 1 Att: 23,048
1962/63	22/4/62	Luton 2 (Turner, McNally) Leeds 2 Att: 8,958
1961/62	4/11/61	Luton 3 (Legate 2, Fleming) Leeds 2 Att: 10,341
1960/61	1/4/61	Luton 1 (Turner) Leeds 1 Att: 11,137
1959/60	29/8/59	Luton 0 Leeds 1 Att: 15,882

\* Roger Wash is our official club statistician

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### IT HAPPENED.....

**FIVE YEARS AGO (14/9/85)** A dismal 2-0 defeat at Everton together with a serious injury to Andy Dibble made it a day to forget.

**TEN YEARS AGO (13/9/80)** A 3-0 defeat at Blackburn with all the goals scored in the second half meant another long, and sad trip home from the North West.

**FIFTEEN YEARS AGO (13/9/75)** A Peter Thompson inspired Bolton won 2-0 at Kenilworth Road watched by a crowd of 11,217.

**TWENTY YEARS AGO (12/9/70)** The Town were extremely unfortunate to go down 1-0 to Leicester at Filbert Street. The woodwork saved Leicester on three occasions.

74 followed by relegation the next year.

"I would name the promotion side as the best I played in during my time at Luton although the team during the run-in of 1974/75 was also a good one.

"My most memorable game was the promotion clincher at West Bromwich although I was concussed for the last quarter and perhaps memorable is the wrong word."

After leaving Luton in 1978 John joined the USA migration and played for Memphis for 2½ years where he teamed up again with Jim Husband. This was followed by eighteen months with California Surf before the American football scene folded in 1981 and he returned to Quantity Surveying in Milton Keynes.

"I went back to my old profession due to the fact that as I had been out of the country for so long I thought that people on the football side had forgotten about me but David Pleat had not and when a vacancy arose at Kenilworth Road I was asked back."

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## FOR THE RECORD

Continuing our 'football diary' to keep you up to date with the domestic and global game:

**July 9:** British Prime Minister Mrs Margaret Thatcher backs a recommendation that English clubs should return to European Competition. In Italy, Luigi Agnolin, one of the world's greatest referees, announces his retirement at 47. In Frankfurt, the city is brought to a halt by the return of West Germany's conquering World Cup heroes.

**July 10:** UEFA announce they are ending their five-year ban on English clubs competing in Europe. Manchester United are entered for the Cup Winners' Cup and Aston Villa for the UEFA Cup. Liverpool have to serve a further ban.

**July 12:** Tony Coton joins the £1 million goalkeeper club when he joins Manchester City from Watford. Celtic sign John Collins from Hibs and Rangers sign Cleg Kuznetsov, the Soviet Union star.

**July 13:** Arsenal move to sign Swedish international forward Anders Limpér for £1 million from Italian First Division club Cremonese. Danish international striker Flemming Polvsen leaves Bobby Robson's PSV Eindhoven and signs a three-year deal with Borussia Moenchengladbach.

**July 16:** Aston Villa move for Dr Jozef Venglos as their new manager in succession to Graham Taylor. Venglos was in charge of the Czechoslovakia team which reached the quarter-finals of the World Cup.

## FOCUS ON LEEDS UNITED

**John Lukic (goalkeeper):** This is John's second spell at Elland Road after completing a £1 million transfer from Arsenal last May. He spent five seasons at Leeds before signing for Arsenal in 1983.

**Mel Sterland (right-back):** Sheffield-born Mel made his league debut for Sheffield Wednesday in 1979 and made more than 250 league appearances for the Owls. He signed for Glasgow Rangers in 1988 before joining Leeds for £600,000 in 1989.

**Glynn Snodin (defender):** Glynn made his league debut for Doncaster Rovers where he spent nine seasons before joining Sheffield Wednesday in 1985. After only two seasons at Hillsborough, he joined Leeds.

**David Batty (midfield):** Known for his relentless workrate, David, 22, joined United from YTS and made his debut for United in a 4-2 win v Swindon at Elland Road in 1987.

**Chris Fairclough (defender):** Chris learned his trade as an apprentice under Brian Clough at Nottingham Forest and graduated to the first team in 1982. He made more than 100 league appearances for Forest before signing for Tottenham in 1987. After spending two seasons at White Hart Lane, Chris signed for Leeds for £500,000 in March 1989.

**Chris Whyte (defender):** A summer signing from West Bromwich Albion, Chris made his league debut for Arsenal in 1981. After a spell in the American Indoor Soccer League, Chris returned to WBA and moved to Leeds in June for £450,000.

**Gordon Strachan (midfield):** Playmaker Gordon can look back on nearly 450 Football League appearances spanning 16 years. He spent three seasons at Dundee before winning domestic and European honours for Aberdeen. Manchester United signed him in 1984 and he established himself as a Scottish international. Gordon joined Leeds for £200,000 in 1989.

**Imre Varadi (forward):** Much-travelled Imre made his league debut for Sheffield United against Crystal Palace in 1978 and has since played for Everton, Newcastle Utd, where he scored 39 league goals in two seasons, Sheffield Wednesday, WBA and Manchester City. He joined Leeds this year.

**Lee Chapman (forward):** Prolific scorer Lee made his league debut while on loan at Plymouth Argyle in 1978. After spells with Stoke, Arsenal and Sunderland, he spent four seasons at Sheffield Wednesday scoring over 60 league goals before moving to Nottingham Forest. He moved to Leeds in January this year.

**Gary McAllister (midfield):** Scottish World Cup star Gary joined his local club Motherwell in 1981 and after three seasons he signed for Leicestershire City. After some impressive performances in the last couple of seasons, he joined Leeds this summer, having rejected a move to Nottingham Forest earlier. (Pictured)

**Gary Speed (forward):** Youth product Gary made his debut in May 1989. He was a frequent substitute last season. Wales under-21 cap. **Chris Kamara (midfield):** Middlesbrough-born Chris made his league debut in 1976 for Portsmouth against the Town. He spent much of his career with Swindon, Portsmouth and Brentford. Joined Leeds last January.



FIRST TEAM

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1990-91 SEASON

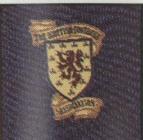
## APPEARANCES AND GOALSCORERS 1990/91

	League Aps	Gls	Ltdws Aps	Gls	Cup Aps	Gls	F.A. Cup Aps	Gls
David Beaumont	4	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Kingsley Black	3	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Tim Breacker	4	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Alec Chamberlain	4	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Iain Dowie	4	1	-	-	-	-	-	-
John Dreyer	4	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Lars Elstrup	4	3	-	-	-	-	-	-
Richard Harvey	1(2)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Ceri Hughes	4	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Julian James	4	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Marvin Johnson	-(1)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Darron McDonough	3	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Kurt Nogan	-(1)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
David Preece	4	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Jason Rees	1(3)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

## BARCLAYS FOOTBALL LEAGUE DIVISION ONE SEASON 1990/91

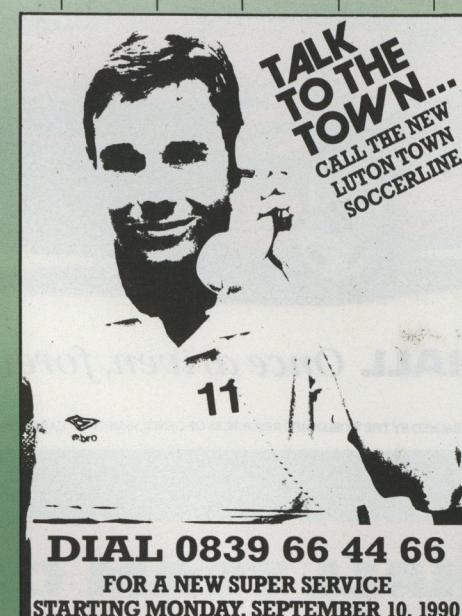
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3	2	0	0	4	1	Liverpool	1	0	0	3	1	9
3	1	1	0	3	0	Leeds	1	0	0	3	2	7
3	1	1	0	2	1	Arsenal	1	0	0	3	0	7
3	2	0	0	3	1	Crystal Palace	0	1	0	1	1	7
4	1	0	0	2	0	Manchester United	1	1	1	2	2	7
3	1	0	0	3	1	Tottenham	0	2	0	0	0	5
3	1	1	0	5	3	Coventry	0	0	1	0	2	4
3	1	1	0	2	1	Sunderland	0	0	1	2	3	4
3	1	0	1	2	2	Southampton	0	1	0	1	1	4
3	1	0	1	1	1	QPR	0	1	0	1	1	4
4	0	1	1	1	2	LUTON TOWN	1	0	1	3	3	4
3	0	1	0	0	3	Wimbledon	1	1	0	2	1	4
3	1	0	0	2	1	Chelsea	0	0	2	1	3	3
2	1	0	0	1	0	Manchester City	0	0	1	1	3	3
3	1	0	0	3	2	Norwich	0	0	2	0	4	3
3	0	2	0	2	2	Derby	0	0	1	1	2	2
3	0	1	0	1	1	Nottingham Forest	0	1	1	1	4	2
2	0	1	0	1	1	Aston Villa	0	0	1	1	2	1
3	0	0	1	1	3	Sheffield United	0	1	1	1	2	1
3	0	0	1	2	3	Everton	0	0	2	1	4	0

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	F-A	Att	Pos	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	14
Aug 25	Crystal Palace	1-1	9,583	-	Chamberlain	Breacker	James (James)	McDonough	Beaumont	Dreyer	Elstrup <sup>1</sup>	Preece	Dowie <sup>1</sup>	(Hughes)	Black	Harvey
Aug 29	Arsenal	1-2	32,723	-	Chamberlain	Breacker	James (James)	McDonough	Beaumont	Dreyer	Elstrup <sup>1</sup>	Preece	Dowie	Hughes	(Rees)	[Rees]
Sept 1	Southampton	2-1	14,878	8	Chamberlain	Breacker	James (James)	McDonough	Beaumont	Dreyer	Elstrup <sup>2</sup>	Preece	Dowie	Hughes	(Black)	[Harvey]
Sept 4	Manchester United	0-1	12,576	11	Chamberlain	Breacker	(Harvey)	(James)	Beaumont	Dreyer	Elstrup	Preece	Dowie	Hughes	Black	[Nogan]
Sept 8	Leeds United															Johnson
Sept 15	Queens Park Rangers															
Sept 22	Coventry City															
Sept 26	League Cup 2(1)															
Sept 29	Norwich City															
Oct 10	League Cup 2(2)															
Oct 20	Sunderland															
Oct 27	Everton															
Oct 31	League Cup 3															
Nov 3	Derby County															
Nov 10	Liverpool															
Nov 17	Manchester City (FAC1)															
Nov 24	Aston Villa															
Nov 28	League Cup 4															
Dec 1	Nottingham Forest															
Dec 8	Arsenal (FAC2)															
Dec 16	Crystal Palace															
Dec 22	Tottenham Hotspur															
Dec 26	Sheffield United (KO 11.30am)															
Dec 29	Chelsea															
Jan 1	Wimbledon															
Jan 5	FA Cup 3															
Jan 12	Southampton															
Jan 16	League Cup 5															
Jan 19	Leeds United															
Jan 26	FA Cup 4															
Feb 2	Queens Park Rangers															
Feb 9	Coventry City															
Feb 13	League Cup S/F(1)															
Feb 16	Manchester City (FAC5)															
Feb 23	Liverpool															
Feb 27	League Cup S/F(2)															
Mar 2	Nottingham Forest															
Mar 9	Aston Villa (FAC6)															
Mar 16	Norwich City															
Mar 23	Manchester United															
Mar 30	Sheffield United															
Apr 1	Tottenham Hotspur															
Apr 6	Chelsea															
Apr 13	Wimbledon (FACSF)															
Apr 20	Sunderland															
Apr 21	League Cup Final															
May 4	Everton															
May 11	Derby County															
May 18	FA Cup Final															



## MAN IN CHARGE Peter Foakes (Clacton)

A schoolteacher, Peter is married and has two daughters. He began refereeing in the Colchester and E. Essex and became a Football League referee in 1987. He enjoys most sports particularly cricket, rugby and golf.



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## VAUXHALL TEAM CHECK.

### LUTON TOWN

Team Manager: Jim Ryan  
White Shirts, Navy Shorts

- 1 Alec Chamberlain
- 2 Tim Breacker
- 3 Julian James
- 4 Darroñ McDonough
- 5 David Beaumont
- 6 John Dreyer
- 7 Lars Elstrup
- 8 David Preece
- 9 Iain Dowie
- 10 Ceri Hughes
- 11 Kingsley Black

Subs



### LEEDS UNITED

Manager: Howard Wilkinson  
Yellow Shirts, Yellow Shorts

- 1 John Lukic
- 2 Mel Sterland
- 3 Glyn Snodin
- 4 David Batty
- 5 Chris Fairclough
- 6 Chris Whyte
- 7 Gordon Strachan
- 8 Imre Varadi
- 9 Lee Chapman
- 10 Gary McAllister
- 11 Gary Speed

Subs

Referee: Peter Foalkes(Clacton) Linesmen: M.L. James (yellow trim) A.P. Murphy (red trim).