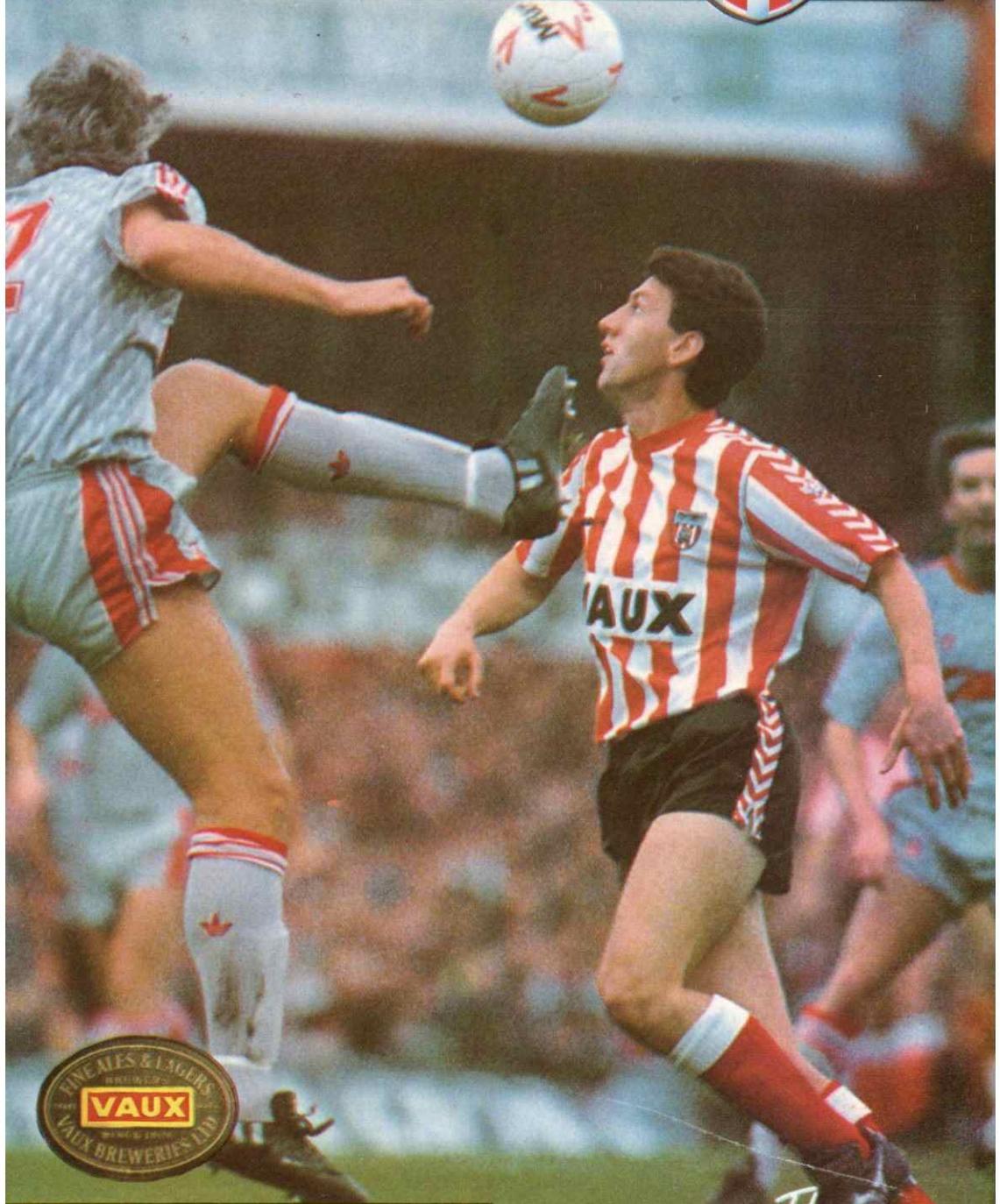


# ROKER REVIEW



**SUNDERLAND v LUTON TOWN**  
Barclays League Division One  
SATURDAY, 20th OCTOBER, 1990    £1

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## DENIS SMITH

A great deal has happened since our last home game against Liverpool. What an absorbing game that was and nobody will have left the ground underestimating the strength of the Merseysiders. While they clearly deserved the three points, we competed well and for certain periods were their equal. At the end of 90 minutes, just one goal separated the teams and it could have been different had Kevin Ball's header been an inch goal side. We will probably play worse and gain three points in the months ahead.

Our visit to Villa Park saw us in command for much of the game. Most impartial observers felt we were worth a share of the spoils and the final scoreline did not do us justice. We did not get the run of the ball when it mattered, and an unfortunate error by Tony Norman gave Villa the advantage. Mistakes by goalkeepers are all too obvious. Outfield players get away with things. But since he has arrived at Roker Park, Tony has won us far more points than he has given away.

Young Anthony Smith had a more than satisfactory debut and is the latest of our youngsters to come through the ranks. He adapted well to First Division soccer, but as with all young players, needs time to develop. In addition to the club providing that time, young players must themselves accept responsibility and approach games in a mature way. The rewards in soccer are great, and have to be worked for. I was disappointed with Kieran Brady's performance in the League Cup match with Bristol City and while I feel responsible for the initial selection, the youngster also has to examine his approach to the game. Natural ability on its own is not enough. To succeed in professional football, application and hard work is just as important.

Everything came right at Bristol City in terms of goals and I am sure the netfull will have done our confidence no harm at all. A few more today would not go amiss. Of course, the injury to Thomas Hauser is a major blow for the club and with Colin Pascoe still regaining fitness, our attacking options are restricted.

I am scouring the market for additional players at the right price and you will have seen press reports linking the club with a couple of Scandinavians. Certainly price tags are more realistic across the North Sea, and it may be some deals are clinched before too long.

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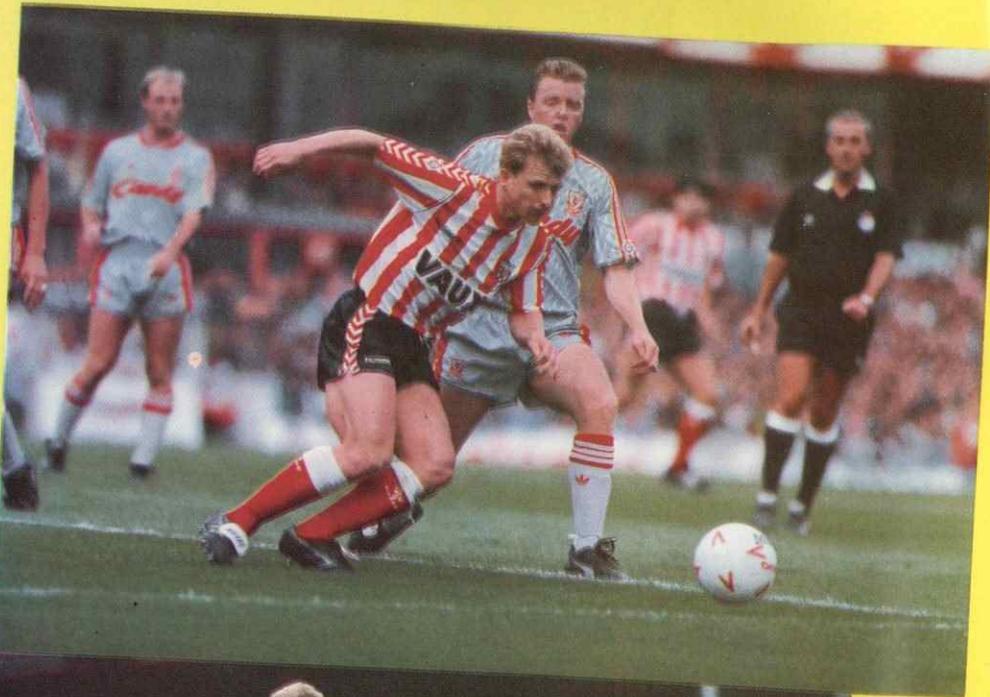
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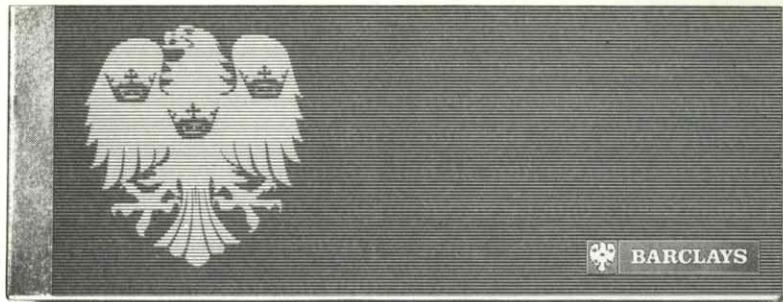


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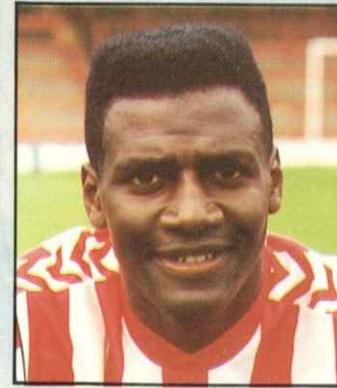
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When the fixtures were first announced many critics wined at our opening games and claimed that we'd collect no points from our opening eight matches. We've done better than most national critics expected and have gathered several notable admirers including Trevor Brooking who said some very nice things about us while watching our games at Chelsea and Bristol City for BBC Radio 5. I hope the fans appreciate our performances so far, in my opinion we deserved more points than the six we've gained up to now.

After the break last Saturday, today's fixture with Luton marks the beginning of the second stage of the season and we've got to look to start picking up points by winning a few games. Have no doubt that Luton will give us a difficult game though.

We learned a lot from our last home game against Liverpool. It's taken us on another step, we have to aim to get near their standard of passing and movement as well as striving to equal their workrate.

I thought we played well at Villa and the scoreline flattered them. However, we didn't perform at all well in the home game with Bristol City but the two legged format of round two gave us a second chance. Tony Norman kept us in the cup during the first half but we tightened up after half-time and took our chances well.

We were all impressed by the Bristol City fans who applauded us off, this was a tremendous sporting gesture. Our away supporters were absolutely excellent at Villa and Bristol, the team really appreciated the way they get behind us. No doubt they'll be out in force again when we visit the Baseball Ground in the next round of the cup. If we can perform as we have done away from home over the last eighteen months then we can be confident of making further progress.

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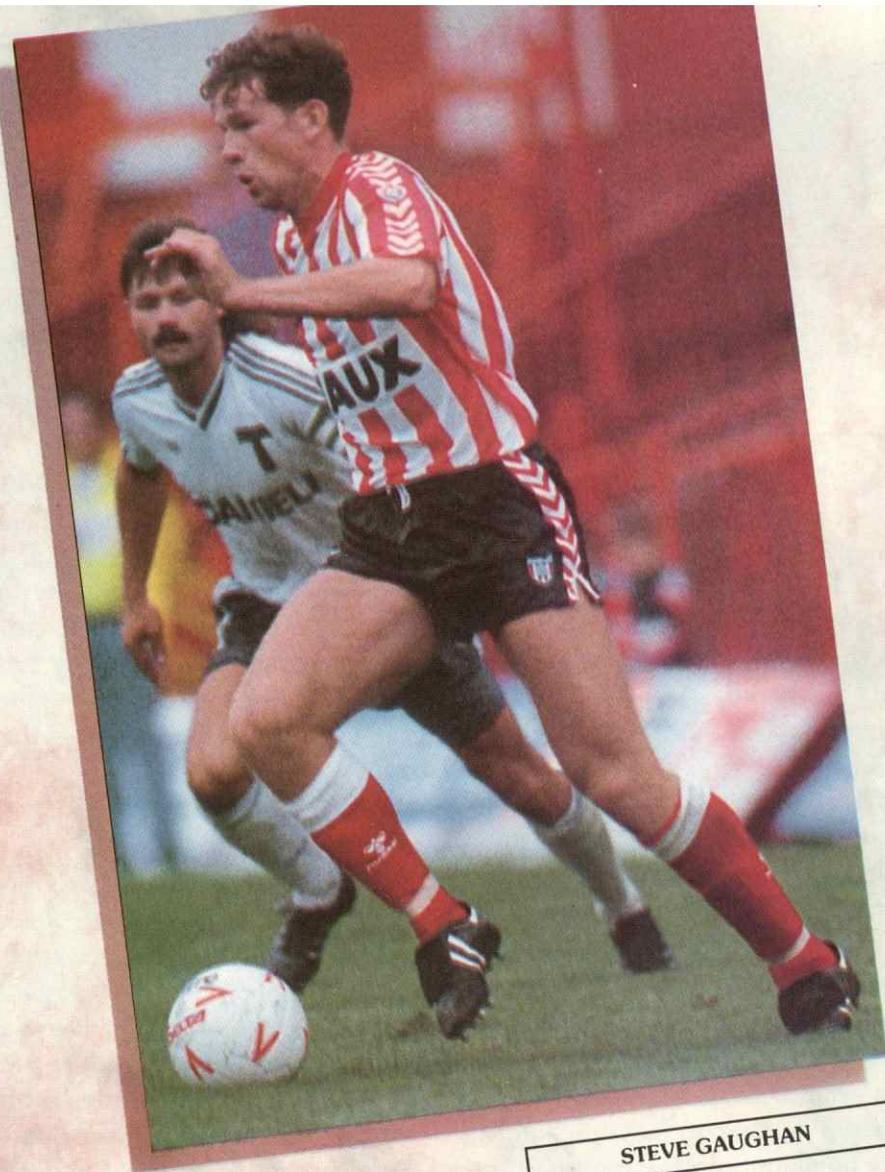


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## PROFILE

### Name

Steve Gaughan

### Birthplace

Doncaster

### Birthdate

14/4/70

### Family

Mam and Dad and brothers Nicky and Brian

### Team you supported as a boy

Liverpool

### Player you admired when you were a boy

Kevin Keegan

### Can you think of any league players you knew in schools or junior football

Shaun Murray (Portsmouth), Dean Barrick (Sheffield Wednesday) and Craig Ramage (Derby).

### Previous Clubs

Doncaster Rovers

### Debut

v Notts County (a) 2-0, 5-3-88 as sub. Full debut v Colchester (a) 1-0, 9-9-88

### What's the biggest game you've ever played in

F.A. Youth Cup Final v Arsenal

### Which player have you most enjoyed playing alongside in your career

Mark Rankin (Doncaster)

### Which countries have you played in

U.S.A. on tour with Doncaster Youth team

### What's the best goal you've scored

The winner in a South Yorkshire derby with Rotherham

### Which football commentators do you like or dislike

I like Saint and Greavsie, they try to bring some fun into the game

### Do you ever go to matches when we're not playing

e.g. midweek games at Newcastle or Middlesbrough

I've been to Newcastle and I saw John MacPhail play for Hartlepool. I sometimes go to Anfield with my brother to see Liverpool

### Does the crowd affect you during matches

Yes, moreso as a young lad

### Which managers have you played under

Dave Mackay, Dave Cusack, Joe Kinnera, Billy Bremner and Denis Smith

### Which of these has had most influence on you

All of them have helped me but probably the biggest influence on me was the assistant manager at Doncaster

### Your tip for the championship

Liverpool

### Who is your favourite player in Sunderland's team

Paul Bracewell, I've always been impressed with him

## STEVE GAUGHAN

Twenty-year-old Steve Gaughan made over eighty first team appearances for his first club Doncaster Rovers and played for them in the 1988 F.A. Youth Cup Final against Arsenal before being released on a free transfer during the Summer.

Having watched him on numerous occasions Sunderland immediately snapped him up before other interested clubs including Nottingham Forest moved in. So far Sunderland supporters have only had the chance to see Steve in action for the first team in pre-season friendlies or for the reserves for whom he has been a regular. No doubt many people were wondering why newly promoted Sunderland should be signing a player given a free transfer from a Fourth Division club, Denis Smith explains:

"Steve was in a similar situation to Richard Ord. He had broken into the first team at a young age and shown great promise before finding it difficult to maintain such a quick rate of progress the next season. The difference between Sunderland and Doncaster though is they can't afford to keep on players on the strength of their potential. Richard Ord has a tremendous future and I hope Steve Gaughan does too. He's 6ft. 1in., 13½ stone which is big for a wide man and he's very quick with great feet although his heading doesn't match up to his physique".

Steve had come to the fore as top scorer in the successful Doncaster Youth side of 1988. He notched twenty-two goals including five in the F.A. Youth Cup where they knocked out Preston, Plymouth, Sheffield Wednesday, Manchester City and then Spurs in the semi-final to prevent a North London Final. After converting a last minute penalty to win the derby with The Owls, Steve went on to score both goals in the quarter-final with Manchester City. Astonishingly one of these was again from a last minute spot kick and the other was also from a dead ball situation with Steve hitting home a free-kick.

The first leg of the final filled Belle Vue but Rovers were outgunned by a rampant Arsenal who ran out 0-5 winners with the exciting Kevin Campbell scoring a hat-trick within twenty minutes. A dubious penalty demoralised Doncaster but they regained their pride in the second leg when they held Arsenal to a goalless draw at Highbury. His form for the youths earned him his debut as a substitute against Notts County in March 1988 when we were in the same division. However, as we went up as champions, Doncaster finished bottom with sixty points less than us. After four more substitute appearances Steve made his full debut in the Fourth Division at Colchester just over two years ago.

Playing alongside our former defender Jackie Ashurst and ex Manchester United star Gerry Daly (the German newspaper), he became a regular in the side missing only one game between mid January and the end of the season. He scored in consecutive weeks in January, grabbing the winner in a derby with Rotherham after being pushed up front following an injury to a team-mate and appearing on the scoresheet alongside Ashurst in a 3-2 defeat at Torquay.

However, Doncaster had a terrible season finishing only one place above Darlington who were duly doomed to the Vauxhall Conference. Last year Steve was a regular in the team until the end of February, scoring in the 6-0 victory at Hartlepool, but then he lost his place as Rovers got to the Northern Final of the Leyland DAF Cup where they were denied a Wembley appearance by Tranmere.

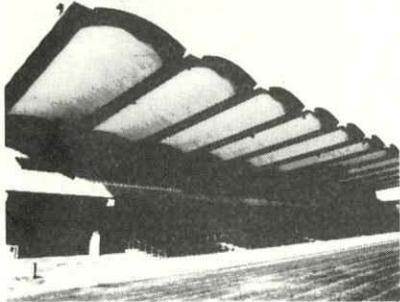
Now that he is at Roker Park he is determined to do well: "I know that now I'm in my twenties I've got to show what I can do and I'd like to start by getting among the goals". Everyone at Roker Park wishes him well.

### STEVE GAUGHAN — CAREER RECORD UP TO 19/10/90

Season	Club	Div	League		FA Cup		FL Cup		Sherpa/FRT		TOTAL	
			Apps	Gl's	Apps	Gl's	Apps	Gl's	Apps	Gl's		
1987-88	Doncaster	3	0+4	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0+4	0
1988-89	"	4	22+12	2	2+1	0	1+1	0	2	0	27+14	2
1989-90	"	4	20+9	1	2	0	1+1	0	3+1	0	26+11	1
1990-91	Sunderland	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
TOTALS			42+25	3	4+1	0	2+2	0	5+1	0	53+29	3



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# NATIONWIDE

With 20% of the First Division fixtures completed, the initial early season euphoria is over. Now there remains the hard mid winter grind, prior to a last mad scramble for points when Easter beckons. So far little controversy, and in deed the league is going to form. Few would bet against Liverpool winning their 19th Championship, or indeed breaking Spurs thirty year old record of eleven successive wins at the start of a season.

Equally predictable, the challenge to Anfield comes from the capital. Arsenal, solid if unspectacular, can afford to keep £500,000 close season signing Andy Linighan on the bench, as they too, collect points at ease. Over at White Hart Lane, Tottenham, by all the conventions of business finance, should have ceased trading weeks ago. However they are far from bankrupt on the pitch, thanks mainly to Gazza. Some of Paul's media antics may make most supporters cringe, but there is no denying that the Gateshead footballer is the most outstanding player in Division One.

Surprise packets are Crystal Palace. Most impartial observers expected Steve Coppell's team to improve on last season, but their form so far has been a revelation. Now that Ian Wright and Mark Bright have come together after injury, there is no reason Palace should not finish in the top six. A few eyebrows were raised when Coppell signed Wimbledon hard man Eric Young, not the most gifted of defenders, during the close season. But Young has been a key factor in the Selhurst success and possibly gives further credence to the argument that Steve Coppell is one of the top half dozen managers in the game.

Manchester City have settled confidently, while Luton, today's visitors to Roker, have defied the critics who predicted a season of struggle. But Manchester United and Forest have so far flattered to deceive. The Old Trafford men seem more intent on success in Europe, while Brian Clough's thoughtful and precise footballers lack the killer touch in front of goal. Nigel Clough has yet to find the net, and it again seems likely the Trentsiders will fail to make a sustained challenge for the Championship.

As usual Wimbledon were favourites for the drop. And predictably the Dons have quickly cocked a snook at the soccer elites. Despite losing manager Bobby Gould weeks before the season started, they have quickly settled in to a mid table spot, principally because of their away form. Still unbeaten on their travels Wimbledon's unique brand of soccer looks destined to keep them in the top flight for another season.

With only two teams for relegation, season 90/91 should be slightly easier on the nerve ends. While Derby and newly promoted Sheffield United are current backmarkers, Norwich and Coventry also look likely candidates for the drop. Neither side has, as yet, managed an away point and both teams are having difficulty in scoring goals. Leading Canaries marksman Robert Fleck is going through a torrid time, on and off the field, with a move back to Scotland on the cards. Over at Highfield Road, £500,000 striker Kevin Drinkell, signed from Rangers last Spring has been dropped after failing to find the net in seven games. And of course, David Speedie seems to have a penchant for heading club Vice-Presidents rather than goals.

Overall supremacy of Division One was confirmed in the seeded Second Round of the Football League Cup. Just two upsets. Luton narrowly missed a place in Round Three, after being beaten by penalties at Bradford City. For Wimbledon, it was a case of a dose of their own medicine. Plymouth, managed by former Plough Lane assistant chief, David Kemp, adopted Dons type of tactics to win both matches. Otherwise apart from a few first leg scares, like here at Roker, the minnows had little to celebrate. Elsewhere in the soccer world, Oldham and Sheffield Wednesday are stealing a march in Division Two, with Watford surprisingly the backmarkers. Newly promoted Grimsby top Division Three and Torquay have a five point lead in Division Four. Darlington are handily placed in third spot with Hartlepool just below half way. Kettering Town are well in front of the Vauxhall Conference and congratulations to Gateshead who moved off the bottom of Division Five, by virtue of a fine 3-2 away win at Kidderminster.

### FOOTBALL LEAGUE CUP—ROUND THREE

Aston Villa v Millwall, Chelsea v Portsmouth, Coventry v Hull City, C. Palace v Leyton Orient, Derby v Sunderland, Ipswich v Southampton, Leeds v Oldham, Man City v Arsenal, Man United v Liverpool, Middlesbrough v Norwich, Oxford v West Ham, Plymouth v Nottingham Forest, QPR v Blackburn, Sheff United v Everton, Sheff Wednesday v Swindon, Tottenham v Bradford City.

### TODAY IN ONE . . .

Chelsea v Nottingham F. Man United v Arsenal  
Coventry v Southampton Norwich v Liverpool  
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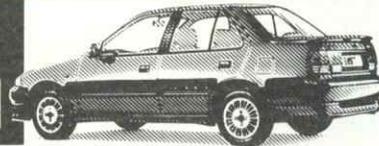
### . . . and elsewhere

Ipswich v The Mags Wrexham v 'Pool  
Maidstone v Quakers Gateshead v Wymcombe

### FOOTBALL LEAGUE DIVISION ONE (Up to and including 13th October, 1990)

	HOME					AWAY					Pts	Leading Goalscorers	L'gue Best	Gates Ave.	
	P	W	D	L	F	A	W	D	L	F					A
Liverpool	8	4	0	0	10	1	4	0	0	9	4	24	Beardsley 7; Barnes 5	38,061	35,807
Arsenal	8	3	1	0	8	2	2	2	0	8	3	18	Limpair 4, Merson 3	41,516	38,083
Tottenham	8	3	1	0	9	3	1	3	0	2	0	16	Gascoigne 5; Lineker 4	34,939	33,233
Crystal Palace	8	2	2	0	6	4	2	2	0	7	2	16	Wright 3, Thomas 2	20,545	18,194
Man City	4	4	0	0	7	2	0	3	1	4	6	15	Quinn, Ward 2	31,456	29,301
Man. Utd.	8	3	0	1	8	4	1	1	2	2	6	13	McClair, Robins 3	46,766	44,534
Luton	8	2	1	1	3	2	2	0	2	7	10	13	Elstrup 6, Dowie 2	12,576	10,170
Leeds Utd.	8	1	2	1	5	4	2	1	1	6	4	12	Varadi, Chapman, Strachan 2	31,342	29,071
Nott'ham For	8	2	1	1	7	5	1	2	1	5	6	12	Jemson 5, Pearce 3	26,013	22,064
Aston Villa	8	2	2	0	8	4	1	0	3	5	6	11	Platt 5; Cascarino 2	29,542	26,615
Wimbledon	8	0	2	2	4	8	2	2	0	4	2	10	Six players with one goal	13,733	9,600
QPR	8	2	1	1	7	2	0	2	2	5	9	9	Wegerle 6, Sinton 2	19,813	13,254
Chelsea	8	2	2	0	8	6	0	1	3	5	10	9	Wilson 5	24,652	21,218
Coventry	8	2	2	0	8	4	0	0	4	1	7	8	Borrows, Livingstone 2	12,902	11,087
Southampton	8	2	1	1	7	5	0	1	3	4	10	8	Wallace R. 3; Le Tissier, Rideout 2	17,206	15,989
Sunderland	8	1	2	1	4	4	0	1	3	6	11	6	Davenport, Gabbiadini 3	31,107	28,108
Norwich	8	2	0	2	6	9	0	0	4	1	8	6	Fox 2	17,247	14,651
Everton	8	1	1	2	8	7	0	1	3	4	9	5	Ebbrell, Cottee, Nevin, Newell 2	39,847	31,818
Sheff Utd	8	0	1	3	3	8	0	2	2	3	6	3	Dean 4	27,009	24,994
Derby County	8	0	2	2	2	6	0	0	4	2	9	2	Saunders 3	19,024	16,177

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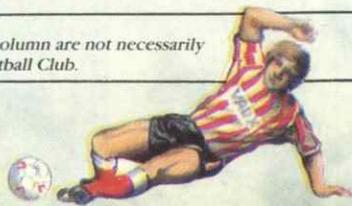


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That Hans Segers' calculated hand ball outside the penalty area at Wimbledon, a few weeks ago, denied Sunderland a goal, there can be no doubt. The Dutch 'keeper reasoned he was not going to get sent off as it was a first cautionable offence and that the resulting free-kick was a small price to pay. He was right. The law upheld the transgressor.

Even Rumpole of the Bailey admits that the law is an ass, but never it seems does the Football Association.

Segers' deliberate handball, was as much a professional foul as a forearm smash in the six yard box. It was pre-meditated. Indeed it was probably more calculating. As the goalkeeper stated afterwards, he had reasoned the whole situation through and knew what the consequences of his actions were.

Had the Dons last line of defence tripped Marco, then of course he could have been sent off. An instruction issued to referees states: "If in the opinion of the referee a player who is moving towards his opponents goal, with an obvious opportunity to score a goal, is intentionally and physically impeded by unlawful means, i.e. an offence punishable by a free-kick or a penalty kick, thus denying the attacking players team the aforesaid goal scoring opportunity, the offending player shall be sent off the field of play for serious foul play in accordance with Law XII(n)".

The key words here are "physically impeded" and the F.A. have confirmed that intentional handling of the ball is specifically excluded.

Men in suits at Lancaster Gate, could we suggest an amendment to your instruction. Please delete "physically" from your missive.

Hans Segers is one of the few Europeans to have enjoyed a sustained career in the Football League. In two years time when the EEC becomes an open market, freedom of movement for footballers will become easier. Understandably perhaps the Professional Footballers Association is worried. They are concerned that droves of continentals will be coming into Britain, thus reducing opportunities for local lads to pursue a career in soccer. More to the point, Gordon Taylor, chief executive of the PFA fears many of his members will be put out of work.

Now generally Gordon Taylor speaks with a great deal of common sense. However, on this issue he may well be fearing the worst. For while it is unlikely Brussels will suggest soccer should be a special case the evidence suggests the problem will not be that great.

Firstly, recent history tells us only a handful of foreigners have enjoyed lengthy careers in the English game. Thijssen and Muhren at Ipswich.

Ossie Ardilles, Man City 'keeper Bert Trautman in the 1950's, Jan Molby perhaps, Segers and possibly Romeo Zondervan. But think of the others, Alex Sabella, a certain Marangoni, European Footballer of the Year Allan Simonsen, Nico Claesen at Spurs, even Jesper Olssen, and of course Mirandinha. All long since forgotten and who on balance, contributed very little to the British game. Perhaps there are certain qualities associated with the Football League that make it difficult for Europeans to adjust.

Secondly, the market from 1992 will make it easier for British footballers to gain employment on the continent. Many do already. Not only the big name, big money deals to Italy and Spain, but the transfers of lesser mortals, journeymen footballers, particularly to Scandinavia, Belgium and Netherlands.

Thirdly, UEFA has introduced a new rule limiting the number of foreigners who can be included in any team for a European competitive tie. And as far as UEFA are concerned in the case of English clubs, that included Scots, Irishmen and Welshmen. the regulation will mean no team can have more than four players in a 16 man squad who are not qualified to play for the country of residency. So Liverpool, and the rest of the top teams will have to include a greater proportion of English born players in their first team squads. Indeed should the Anfield side get back into Europe next season, they may well decide to do some loan deals with Glasgow Rangers.

The self styled "old age pensioner" chairman of Derby, despite his efforts to sell up and enter a retirement home at Tottenham, once referred to the Football League as the Mismanagement Committee. Even cap'n Bob in his most sanguine moments will reflect on the accuracy of that statement. Last week the men in suits at Lytham St. Anns concluded the £1.1 million loan by Rober Maxwell, chairman of Derby to Irving Scholar, chairman of Tottenham, did not breach the League regulations as presently written.

Two points. Firstly, why did the Football League set up an investigation into the transaction and then conclude there was nothing to answer. Secondly, when they say "regulations as presently written" are the men in suits about to close the stable door?

Meanwhile, another group of men in suits, are not so reticent in criticising the transaction. An independent legal report criticises Irving Scholar and his fellow director Tony Berry for their failure to get boardroom approval for negotiations with Robert Maxwell, and for not keeping shareholders fully informed.

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## The Chairman — on

### The quality and quantity of our away supporters



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As you know, my desire is to adopt the lowest possible profile, but I have to comment on the quality and quantity of our away support which can only be described as truly magnificent.

The contribution that you make to our efforts both on and off the field, and our objective to maintain First Division status, is fully appreciated by all. Your support for the team at Aston Villa was exceptional and must have also contributed to the team's confidence and determination which resulted in our great record breaking victory at Bristol City.

As we build on our achievements of the last three years we can take great pride in Sunderland A.F.C. and it is at times like this that we realise why it is such a privilege to be part of your club.

Yours sincerely,

*Bob Murray*

BOB MURRAY,  
CHAIRMAN.



# LUTON

## A FOUR PAGE LOOK AT THE HATTERS

Ireland will have had a major effect on Luton's plans for today's visit to Roker Park. In midweek, the Hatters strikeforce of Kingsley Black and Ian Dowie, was likely to spearhead Northern Ireland's attempt for European Nations Cup success against Denmark at Windsor Park. The two were in the Ulster side beaten by Yugoslavia last month and now seem to be regular fixtures in Billy Bingham's future plans. Involvement at international level, can often be a powerful motivator. And no doubt, Luton boss Jim Ryan will be hoping some of the gloss rubs off on the rest of the side.

An Irish effect not so positive, was the injury sustained by young defender Julian James in a friendly played against Crewe, across the water. The England Under-21 international sustained a depressed cheekbone and could miss this afternoon's clash. With powerful midfielder Darren McDonough also sidelined with hamstring trouble, the already paper thin Luton first team pool could be further denuded.

Ten days ago full-back Tim Breacker moved to West Ham in a £600,000 deal, that no doubt kept the bank manager happy, while causing the Luton management team further selection problems. Breacker at Kenilworth Road, since leaving school, is the latest in a number of outgoing transfers. In the last twelve months striker Ray Wegerle moved to QPR in a £1 million deal, Northern Ireland forward Danny Wilson joined Sheffield Wednesday for £200,000 and tigerish midfielder Mick Kennedy teamed up with Stoke City, for a similar

£200,000 fee. When one considers the amounts received for Mal Donaghy, Brian Stein, and Ricky Hill, it is even more commendable that Luton are now playing in the First Division for the ninth successive season.

Major playing investment in that last eighteen months was the £850,000 purchase of Danish star Lars Elstrup from OB Odense. His sharpness in front of goal has been in evidence this season. His six goals to date, include a hat-trick at Norwich in the Hatters last away match. But while Luton may not have been active in buying — there were no close season signings — the club has a well developed youth policy that continues to produce talented footballers. No less than eight of the first team squad are under 23, and all joined the club from school, a commendable success rate. Defender Julian James has already been mentioned but another "find" yet to miss a game this season is Welsh midfielder Ceri Hughes. The 19-year-old from Pontypridd quickly settled into the team when Kennedy departed from Kenilworth Road and grows in confidence with every match. Luton must have a sound scouring system in South Wales, for that area also produced Jason Rees and Kurt Nogan, both likely to be in today's squad. Nogan, a striker netted two priceless goals for Luton last season as they defied relegation, and a full Welsh cap could come his way before too long.

Should Darren McDonough miss the match, then midfield experience may well be provided by Steve Williams. The former England, Arsenal and

### HATTERS' FIVE YEAR RECORD

\*Disqualified from competition for not admitting visiting supporters

Season	Division	P	W	D	L	F-A	Pts	Pos	Leading League Scorer	Average League Gate	Round FAC	Reached FLC
1985/86	One	42	18	12	12	61-44	66	9	Harford 22	11,062	6	3
1986/87	One	42	18	12	12	47-45	66	7	Newell 12	10,256	4	D*
1987/88	One	40	14	11	15	57-58	53	9	Stein M 11	8,038	SF	W
1988/89	One	38	10	11	17	42-52	41	16	Wilson 9	9,504	3	RU
1989/90	One	38	10	13	15	43-57	43	17	Black 11	9,886	3	3

# TOWN

## A FOUR PAGE LOOK AT THE HATTERS



### FORM GUIDE

**DIVISION ONE 89/90:** Arsenal 2-0, 2-3; Aston Villa 0-1, 0-2; Charlton 1-0, 0-2; Chelsea 0-3, 0-1; Coventry 3-2, 0-1; Palace 1-0, 1-1; Derby 1-0, 3-2; Everton 2-2, 1-2; Liverpool 0-0, 2-2; Man City 1-1, 1-3; Man Utd. 1-3, 1-4; Millwall 2-1, 1-1; Norwich 4-1, 0-2; Nott'm Forest 1-1, 0-3; QPR 1-1, 0-0; Sheffield Wed. 2-0, 1-1; Southampton 1-1, 3-6; Tottenham 0-0, 1-2; Wimbledon 1-1, 2-1.

**F.A. CUP — Round Three:** Brighton (a) 1-4.

**F.L. CUP—Round Two:** Mansfield (a) 4-3, (h) 7-2. **Round Three:** Everton (a) 0-3.

**LEAGUE GOALS:** Black 11, Dowie 8, Wilson 7, Elstrup 4, Freyer, Nogan, Wegerle 2, Breacker, Cooke, Gray, James, Preece, Williams, Opponents 1.

**CUP GOALS:** Elstrup 5, Wegerle 4, Dreyer, Preece, Wilson 1.

**DIVISION ONE 90/91:** C. Palace (h) 1-1; Arsenal (a) 1-2; Southampton (a) 2-1; Man United (h) 0-1; Leeds (h) 1-0; QPR (a) 1-6; Coventry (h) 1-0; Norwich (a) 3-1.

**LEAGUE GOALS:** Elstrup 6, Dowie 2, Black, Hughes 1.

**APPEARANCES:** Chamberlain, Breacker, Beaumont, Dreyer, Elstrup, Preece, Dowie 8; Black 7, James 6 (1); Rees 4 (3), McDonough 4; Harvey 3 (2); Williams 1; NOGan 0 (3); Johnson 0 (2).

Southampton playmaker made his first appearance of the season at Norwich, having successfully shrugged off some niggling injuries.

Luton were quoted, along with Sunderland, as favourites for relegation. Yet they come to Roker Park in seventh spot, and despite that shock League Cup knockout by Bradford City, are proving the pundits wrong. The one real blot on their copybook was a 1-6 thrashing at Queens Park Rangers. Otherwise the defence has conceded more than one goal, on a single other occasion in the ten league and cup games played. The rearguard has played without any changes, but with Breacker now departed, and James possibly injured, the Hatters back four will certainly be reshuffled. Standing by for first team action are full-back Tim Allpress and Letchworth born Richard Harvey.

Last season was as dramatic as any in the Hatters history. Wins in the final three fixtures and a home defeat by Sheffield

Wednesday on the last Saturday, preserved Luton's First Division status yet on New Year's Day the Bedfordshire side looked certainties for the drop. Manager Ray Harford resigned after Luton had won only four of the first 21 league fixtures. So too did chairman Brian Cole after just four months in the job. A new chairman and new manager set to work. In the remaining 17 games, Jim Ryan's charges took 23 points. The emphasis was on a passing game and faith placed in the young players. It proved a potent combination — and the recipe is certainly working in 1990/91.

United resources mean Luton will have to rely on youth. Kenilworth Road has a capacity of 13,023 which does not permit significant income from the gate. Talk is rife that the club will be moving to a larger purpose built stadium, but until that happens the Hatters must rely on astute management of resource and a sound youth policy.



# LUTON

A FOUR PAGE LOOK AT THE HATTERS

## THE MEN FROM KENILWORTH ROAD

**Tim Allpress.** A 19-year-old full-back who made his league debut last March in the game at Aston Villa. A former trainee.

**David Beaumont.** Signed from Dundee United half way through the 88/89 season. On the fringe of the first team in his first 18 months at Luton, but is now a regular. A Scottish Under-21 cap, he is now aged 26.

**Kingsley Black.** Is well established in the Northern Ireland side. Exciting forward who is just turned 22. Has been a regular for the past two seasons, was born in Luton and joined the club from school.

**Alec Chamberlain.** Did not miss a match last season. Joined the Hatters from Everton in 1988, where he had spent one season as understudy to Neville Southall without getting a first team game. Aged 26, his first club was Ipswich, but it was at Colchester that he got his big break, never missing a game in four seasons.

**Richard Cooke.** Former England Under-21 cap, who had five years at Spurs, mainly in the Reserves, before joining Bournemouth in 1986. Moved to Luton during season 88/89, but has yet to establish himself in the first team.

**Ian Dowrie.** A £30,000 buy from Hendon three years ago. Is now 24, and has made his mark as a deep lying striker. Capped by Northern Ireland.

**John Dreyer.** Born in Alnwick. A solid defender who joined Oxford from non-leaguers Wallingford Town. Had four years as a pro at the Manor, before moving to Luton in the summer of 1988. Has been on loan to Torquay and Fulham.

**Lars Elstrup.** Recruited from Danish First Division club OB Odense last season. After a quiet start in English football has started to earn rave notices this term. Has certainly proved to be a regular goalscorer. Aged 27 he is a Danish international.

**Richard Harvey.** Joined the Hatters from school, and is now in his fifth season as a pro. Normally occupies a full-back position and has England Youth caps to his name.

**Ceri Hughes.** A 19-year-old midfielder, who has laid claim to the number ten shirt. Joined the club as a trainee. Another to have made his debut at Villa Park last season. Born in Pontypridd, South Wales.

**Julian James.** Another product of Luton's successful youth system. Comes from nearby Tring, and started the season at full-back. Aged 20, he made his debut in the 87/88 season and has been capped at Under-21 level.

**Marvin Johnson.** Looking for a regular first team spot, after being on the fringe of the team for three seasons. A well built defender, he too joined the club from school and plays in defence.

**Darron McDonough.** Ball winning midfielder, powerfully built and very experienced. Will be 28

next month. Had just over seven years with Oldham, making 183 league appearances before joining Luton in the autumn of 1986. Injuries in the past couple of years have restricted his first team outings.

**Kurt Nogan.** Welsh Under-21 forward who came into the team last season. As might be expected came through the junior ranks and a full cap cannot be that far away. Was 20 in September.

**David Preece.** One of the longest serving players at Kenilworth Road, having joined the club from Walsall in 1984. Usually adopts a wide midfield role and has been capped by England at 'B' level. Now 27 he has almost 300 first team games under his belt.

**Jason Rees.** Another young Welshman, also capped at Under-21 level. Came into the team just after Christmas last season, and generally held his place in midfield.

**Graham Rodger.** Former England Under-21 cap who joined Luton in the summer of 1989 and then missed virtually all the season through injury. Born in Glasgow of English parents naturally, Graham made a single appearance for Wolves, his first club before moving to Coventry in 1985.

**Steve Williams.** Now in his third season with the Hatters. Aged 32, this experienced midfielder won six full England caps in a career that started at Southampton in the mid 1970's. Made 278 league appearances for the Saints before joining Arsenal in 1985. Played 95 First Division matches for the Gunners.

### THE BOSS — JIM RYAN

Promoted from reserve team coach after Ray Harford resigned at the turn of the year. Luton were then in a relegation position and the Second Division beckoned. But in a remarkable transformation the new manager succeeded in avoiding the drop.

A Scot, Jim in his playing days was a winger, first with Man United and then Luton. He made 184 league appearances for the Hatters between 1970 and 1976 and was a member of the Second Division promotion side of 1974. He later moved to North America, playing for Dallas and ended his career in the indoor leagues for Wichita. As a winger he could have been the original Wichita lineman!

# TOWN

A FOUR PAGE LOOK AT THE HATTERS

## THE HATTERS KINGS OF THE PLASTIC

Luton Town are pioneers. While other clubs have flirted with plastic pitches, the Hatters style of play has developed as a result of the synthetic surface. Many opponents claim that games against Luton are more like a five-a-side, such is the quality of the Bedfordshire sides passing.

A few years ago Luton were pioneers in banning away fans. That decision caused them to be disqualified from the League Cup and somewhat ironically the following year the trophy found a resting place at Kenilworth Road for the first time. What a season that 87/88 campaign turned out to be. Not only did they lift the League Cup, beating Arsenal 3-2 at Wembley, but the Hatters also contested the Simod Final, surprisingly being beaten 4-1 by Second Division relegation club Reading, also at the twin towers. Luton reached the semis of the F.A. Cup losing to eventual winners Wimbledon, but the odd goal in three and finished 9th in Division One, just two places lower, than their best ever performance, a season before.

Of that side just David Preece, Darren McDonough and Kingsley Black remain, though Marvin Johnson and Julian James each made a handful of appearances. Ricky Hill, the brothers Stein, Mal Donaghy, Ray Harford, Mike Newell, David Oldfield and Steve Foster have all moved on.

Luton are now in their ninth successive season in the top flight, by far the most sustained period of first class soccer in their history. For years they were a monochrome Division Three team, their main claim to fame, being Joe Payne ten goals against Bristol Rovers. By 1955 the Hatters were in Division One, yet inside a decade they had plummeted to the Fourth, and a further ten years saw them back in the top flight. Then near bankruptcy, thwarted only by the transfer of one Peter Anderson to Royal Antwerp.

Plastic pitches and visiting supporters bans, only serve to retain the fans interest.

### LUTON BACKTRACK

- 1885 Club founded.
- 1897 Elected to Division Two.
- 1900 Failed Re-election.
- 1920 Elected to Division Three.
- 1937 Promoted to Division Two.
- 1955 Promoted to Division One.
- 1960 Relegated to Division Two.
- 1963 Relegated to Division Three.
- 1965 Relegated to Division Four.
- 1968 Promoted to Division Three.
- 1970 Promoted to Division Two.
- 1974 Promoted to Division One.
- 1975 Relegated to Division Two.
- 1982 Promoted to Division One.

### ROLL OF HONOUR

Division One Highest Position: 7th 1987. Division Two Champions: 1982. Division Two Runners-up: 1955, 1974. Division Three Runners-up: 1970. Division Four Champions: 1968. Division Three South Champions: 1937. F.A. Cup Runners-up: 1959. F.L. Cup Winners: 1988. F.L. Cup Runners-up: 1989. Simod Cup Runners-up: 1988.



A comfortable 3-0 win over Luton at Roker in October 1984, put Sunderland 8th in Division One and prompted local pressmen to praise the determination in the side. Different things were being said six months later.

Shaun Elliott played his 300th first-team game for the lads and kept cousin Steve quiet. The Haltwhistle relatives were meeting each other on a football field for the first time since their schooldays.

All told a comfortable 3-0 win, with home debutant David Hodgson unlucky not to get on the scoresheet. Steve Berry had an outstanding match, as did Gordon Chisholm, scorer of the first goal. Rumours were rife that Nick Pickering was on the verge of an England call-up, as Bobby Robson watched the match.

The Monday following, Stan Cummings returned to Roker after a brief sojourn with Crystal Palace. Everything looked set for a bright season.

### LAST TIME

Saturday, 27th October, 1984—Division One Sunderland 3 (Chisholm 16, Wylde 52 pen, Pickering 76); Luton Town 0.

The Lads: Turner, Daniel, Pickering, Berry, Chisholm, Elliott Shaun, Gayle (sub West 80), Wylde, Atkinson, Proctor, Hodgson.

Hatters: Findlay, Thomas, Turner, Parker, Elliott, Paul, Donaghy, Hill, Stein, Elliott Steve, Bunn, Hilaire.

Attendance: 15,280.

### IN THE YEAR 1974

Sunderland entertained Aston Villa in a Division Two match. A crowd of 33,232 watched an absorbing match but no goals. The lads retained second spot, behind Man United. The Roker selection was Montgomery, Malone, Guthrie, Moncur, Watson, Porterfield, Kerr, Hughes, Halom, Robson, Towers.

Luton lost to a Mike Summerbee goal at Main Road in Division One. With just one win they were already in a relegation position.

Don Revie had just been appointed England boss.

### IN THE YEAR 1984

A week before Luton visited Roker, the lads narrowly lost 2-3 at Highbury. Clive Walker scored twice, but Brian Talbot, Tommy Caton and Ian Allinson kept the points in London before 36,944. Sunderland fielded: Turner, Venison, Pickering, Bennett (sub Wylde), Chisholm, Elliott, Daniel, Gayle, Proctor, Berry, Walker.

The Hatters, occupying a relegation spot, beat Watford by a similar 3-2 scoreline. Frank Bunn, Steve Elliott and a Richard Jobson own goal counted.

In the Merseyside derby Everton won 1-0, their first win at Anfield since 1970.

### IN THE YEAR 1989

Twelve months ago John MacPhail earned the lads three home points with the only goal against Bradford City. The gate was 14,849. Sunderland were sixth in Division Two and the home teamsheet read: Carter, Kay, Hardyman, Bennett, MaPhail, Owers, Bracewell, Armstrong, Gates, Gabbadini, Pascoe. Luton recorded their best performance of the season, winning 4-1 at Kenilworth Road against Norwich in Division One. Black, Dreyer, Wilson and Williams were on target. Everton topped the charts, Bobby Gould had been fined £750 for a dressing room outburst against a referee and work began on Yeovil's new ground.

ACTION  
SUNDERLAND v LIVERPOOL



# THE CARING CLUB



## FANFILE

**Name**  
Christopher Jarvis

**From**  
Sunderland.

**Occupation**  
Schoolboy

**Usual place in ground**  
Fulwell End

**How long a supporter**  
1 year

**First match seen?**  
Sunderland 2, Middlesbrough 1, 27/8/89

**Favourite current player?**  
Marco

**Favourite all time player**  
Marco

**Best goal seen?**  
Marco against Norwich this season

**Most memorable match?**  
Play off win at Newcastle

**Funniest moment?**  
Play off win at Newcastle

**Match day superstition?**  
None

**Highlight as a supporter?**  
Play off win at Newcastle

**Lowpoint as a supporter?**  
Losing to Swindon at Wembley

**Favourite away ground?**  
Wembley

**Your best Sunderland XI**  
Norman, Kay, Hardyman, Bennett, Ball, Owers, Armstrong, Gates, Gabbadini, Brady.

**How do you celebrate a win over Newcastle?**  
Watch the video of the match over and over again.



## SUNDERLAND LADIES FOOTBALL TEAM



We welcome the Sunderland A.F.C. Ladies Football Team to today's match.

At the end of last season, the team travelled to our twin town of St. Nazaire in Brittany to enter an International competition.

The team, after only one part season played and conducted themselves in an excellent manner and were successful in finishing in 4th spot in the tournament. The party were well looked after by the host club, Entente Leon Blum, and attended a civic reception after a tour of the town and various arranged visits.

On completion of the Tournament, defender Jenny O'Neill was selected as S.A.F.C. Player of the Tournament and we are pleased to welcome all the team and Jenny in particular, to receive here award.

This season, the team is playing in the North East Regional Womens League and will have to travel to all parts of the region with Leeds being the farthest to travel.

The Ladies will always be glad of your support, they play home games at the Old Sunderland Training Ground at Cleaton on Sundays.

Anyone who would like to join S.A.F.C. Ladies Team please contact **Mick Ferguson** on 5109111 for further details.

## FOOTBALL IN THE COMMUNITY — NEWS

We would like to give a big Thank You to all the children who attended our Summer Soccer Schools at Monkwearmouth School. The weather was very kind to us and everyone involved had a great time, while also improving their soccer skills. We look forward to seeing you all at our half-term soccer school **WATCH THE PRESS FOR DETAILS.**

Other good news is that our own rookies teams under-12s and 11s have now got underway in the Russel Foster leagues and I'm sure they will both do very well under the guidance of Granville Mervin and Ian Hopper. We will keep you posted on their development.

**ROOKIE NEWS**  
Rookie meetings will be held in the Roker Park Suite — 6 p.m. start. There will be many quizzes and competitions with lots of prizes. There will also be in attendance S.A.F.C. First Team Players to sign autographs. **SEE YOU THERE.**

# THE CARING CLUB



MARILYN McANDREW

## AWAYDAYS

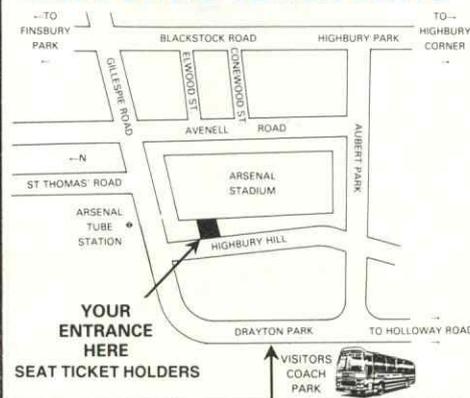
### ARSENAL v SUNDERLAND Division One — 27th October, 1990

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**HOW TO GET THERE**  
From the North: M1 to J2. Pass Holloway road Station then third on left into Drayton Park Road. Right into Avenell Road for Highbury.

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## TICKET OFFICE

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THIS IS A CAGETORY "B" MATCH AND IS NOT ALL TICKET.

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Seats:  
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Standing — Non-Members:  
Adults £6.00  
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SEAT TICKETS FOR THIS MATCH ARE NOW ON SALE

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AND AFTER MATCH.  
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Friday, 2nd November: 9.00 a.m. - 7.00 p.m.

### BARCLAYS LEAGUE DIVISION ONE ARSENAL v SUNDERLAND

SATURDAY, 27th OCTOBER, 1990  
Kick-off 3.00 p.m.

THIS MATCH IS NOT ALL TICKET

A supply of seat tickets at £7.00 each will be available to season ticket holders and members only on a first come, first served basis from **THURSDAY, 11th OCTOBER, 1990** SEAT TICKETS CAN BE PURCHASED AT THE TURNSTILES ON MATCH DAY.

The South Terrace End standing is reserved for Sunderland Supporters and holds 4,300 at £6.00 Adult and £3.50 Juvenile and Senior Citizen.

### RUMBELOWS CUP—3rd ROUND v DERBY COUNTY (AWAY)

We are expecting 3,000 seats at £9 each. Contact ticket office for details.

### Would like to be featured in our FANFILE?

Just send your answers to the questions with a photo of yourself to: Rob Mason, c/o Promotions Office, Sunderland A.F.C., Roker Park, Grantham Road, Roker, Sunderland SR6 9SW and I'll try to fit you in.

### H.M.S. ARROW

We welcome LT. Comm. STEVE JERMY, the officers and men of H.M.S. ARROW to Roker Park and wish them a very pleasant stay in Sunderland.

### LADIES DAY

A very warm welcome to all ladies attending Roker Park today as part of our Ladies Day Scheme.



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**SOUTH TYNESIDE METROPOLITAN BOROUGH COUNCIL**  
Mr. L. Hayton, D.A.E.S.

Headmaster, Bede Burn Primary School  
Dene Terrace,  
Jarrow,  
Tyne and Wear NE32 5AX

Dear Mr. Murray,  
I would like to thank you for the tickets you gave us for the Everton match last week. All the boys, dads and myself had a great afternoon as we enjoyed the game immensely from our privileged Clockstand seat vantage-point. It was very kind of you to honour your promise made some months ago of tickets for an early season game, irrespective of the Division "The lads" were in. I do understand the pressures you are now under and everyone here at Bede Burn appreciates your generosity.

Some of the lads had never been to a Football League game before and they were thrilled by the atmosphere, the surroundings and, not least of all, the game itself. Although the Red and Whites failed to win, I know the club has made some new fans — including one or two Black and Whites! Personally, I am delighted with the whole situation at Roker and, having been one of the many hyper-critical people who had been sick of the road to football ruin being paved with good intentions, I now feel the club — given one or two new players in key positions — can establish itself at last as a First division Club of the 1990s and not just the 1890s.

Once again, many thanks for your thoughtfulness and please convey my thanks to Mr. King who was extremely helpful to us. Best wishes to Denis and the lads from the lads of Bede Burn.

Yours sincerely,  
LES HAYTON  
Head Teacher.

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Dear Sir,  
As winner of a recent competition organised by Ladbrokes, my wife and I together with our two sons, enjoyed wonderful day out as guests of Ladbrokes at the Everton game.

I would like to take the opportunity to say thank you to all the staff who looked after us. Not only in the Roker Suite, but also on the guided tour.

Can I also say thank you, on behalf of my wife, for the bouquet of flowers presented by the club, which came as a nice surprise.

Yours faithfully,  
GRAHAM CRUTWELL

4 High Sandgrove,  
Cleaton,  
Sunderland SR6 7RW.

Mr. A. King  
Commercial Executive,  
Sunderland A.F.C.

Dear Mr. King,  
Some months ago I wrote to you to congratulate you and the club on your "Ladies' Day". I am delighted to see that you are repeating the

exercise for the Luton game and I and some of my female acquaintances are seriously considering wearing big floppy hats (à la Ladies' Day at Ascot) in the designated area of the Fulwell End to mark the occasion. Anything Princess Di can do, we Mackerel women can do better...

Anyway, to the point. I might also have mentioned that I was starting a fanzine about women in football. I have now published Issue 1 of "Born Kicking", which I enclose for your attention. I see that the "Roker Review" now has a spot for reviewing fanzines and I would like to submit "Born Kicking" for this spot and I hope that you and the Editor will consider it good enough to publicise. If you require any further information, please do not hesitate to contact me at the above address and phone number.

Also, I would like to cover the progress of the Sunderland Ladies in "Born Kicking" and I would be grateful if you could give me a contact with whom I can get in touch.

Thank you for your help.  
Yours sincerely,  
JANE PURDON

## SCENE LOCALLY

The best local result last Saturday has to be Gateshead's 3-2 win at Kidderminster Harriers. This took the Tynesiders off the bottom of the G.M. Vauxhall Conference and must be a tonic for the players after the recent disasters that have befallen the club. Gateshead's goals came from Keith Scott with two and one from Keith McNall. The gates at the International Stadium have been very disappointing so far, so if you have the time, go along and support them.

In the H.F.S. Loans League, Bishop Auckland are as erratic as ever, this time losing 3-1 at Southport but Whitley Bay fared better with a two goal win at Curzon Athletic. Last Saturday also saw the Third Qualifying round for the F.A. Cup, with local sides having a poor day. Gretna lost 2-1 at Accrington Stanley, North Shields went out 2-0 at Fleetwood and Easington lost by the same score at Harrogate. The other two games ended with Blue Star and Spennymoor eliminating Consett and Northallerton respectively. There was cup action too for the teams involved in replays of the F.A. Vase Preliminary Round. Norton won by the odd goal in three against Horden and Newton Aycliffe had a single goal to defeat Anfield Plain. West Allotment's 5-2 win at home to Esh Winning sets up a tie at Eppleton who ran away with their game at home to West Auckland 7-0. Even by their standards, Eppleton are having a marvellous season — a 100% record in the Wearside League and unbeaten in Cup Ties so far. Last season, they ended up with too many games in too short a time due to Cup successes and it looks quite likely that the same thing might happen again. Any team facing Eppleton at the moment are certainly facing a tough contest!

Still on the theme of Cup Ties, the Wearside League Cup got underway. There was a distinct lack of shocks though as Greatham, Cleaton, Blackhall, Dawdon, Marske and Boldon all went through. Tie of the round came at Roker where visitors South Shields won an absorbing contest 5-3 after extra time. Another tie to go to extra time saw Vaux Ryhope and Herrington draw 2-2, so a replay will be required.

Looking at the Northern League table, there is an air of familiarity about it as Billingham Synthonia lead by four points from Gretna. Durham City's 3-3 draw with Peterlee kept them firmly on the bottom of Division One while the Second Division may prove to be closer. Billingham Town, West Auckland and Ashington are all handily placed for the top spot with Evenwood and Darlington C.B. not far behind. A quick mention of the Banks Group League which acts as a youth competition for Northern League clubs. The result of the week has to be Rhope C.A. 17, Murton 0. I just hope it wasn't a misprint on the results sheet!

### THE ALTERNATIVE VOICE

Two fanzines to tell you about this week — "Depleted" and "Mad as a Hatter", both of which concern themselves with the activities of Luton town. Both cost 50p and should be on sale somewhere around the ground today. Sorry to report that I have only seen "Mad as a Hatter" previously and I can recall that it was a good read. For a measly 50p from: 30 Linden Road, Dunstable, Beds. LU5 4NZ, while for the same outlay "Depleted" can be obtained from: 93 Jeans Way, Dunstable, Beds.

Finally, a quick plug for Volume Records in Crowtree Road, who stock a fair number of fanzines already and if you want an outlet for your 'zine, contact the Lalds with details of number, commission etc. They stock back copies of "When Saturday Comes" and the new book "Bookable Offence" is also on sale. Well worth a visit!

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## BARCLAYS LEAGUE

YOUNG EAGLES AWARDS

### GARY OWERS OF SUNDERLAND RECEIVES BARCLAYS YOUNG EAGLE REGIONAL AWARD FOR THE NORTH EAST

Sunderland midfielder, Gary Owers (22), has won the Barclays Young Eagle regional award for September for the North East.

The award — an inscribed salver — nominated by the Barclays panel representative Jack Charlton, and endorsed by the panel chairman, Graham Taylor will be presented on the field prior to today's match against Luton Town.

Jack Charlton's report on Gary to Taylor read "Normally a right-sided player in midfield, when I saw him against Liverpool he was switched to the left side because of injuries. He played consistently well and improved all the time".

The NATIONAL Barclays Young Eagle of the month — selected by Graham Taylor is Mark Crossley of Nottingham Forest.

### TODAY'S BAND THE SOUTH DURHAM INDUSTRIES BAND

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JOHN KAY is the fans' choice as Sunderland A.F.C. Player of the Month for September in the competition run by the Sunderland Echo in association with the North of England Building Society.

#### WINNING ENTRANTS

Out of entrants who nominated John Kay the Sunderland Echo announces the following winners:

1. Christopher Barrett, of Ancona Street, Pallion, Sunderland. (£30 plus a meal at Roker Park on a match day to meet the Player of the Month).
2. Anthony Kennerley of Beaumaris, Burnmoor. (£15 voucher for Sunderland A.F.C. Club Shop).
3. Shaun Ryan of Sidmouth Close, Deneside Park, Seaham. (Two tickets for a Sunderland home match).

#### SPECIAL JUNIOR PRIZE WINNER

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# HALF TIME

## QUIZ

1. All three clubs relegated from Division One in 1984 have since gone even lower than Division Two. Name them.
2. Who escaped relegation from Division One last season on goal difference?
3. Who scored a penalty in the 1983 F.A. Cup Final Replay?
4. Who has just moved from Luton to West Ham?
5. Which club tried to take Tony Cullen on loan last month?
6. Wimbledon, Hull and Port Vale were promoted together in 1983 but from which division did they rise?
7. Who was the top Scottish League scorer in 1985?
8. Apart from Derby v Sunderland, how many other all First Division ties are there in the draw for the 3rd Round of the Rumblewos Cup?
9. In what year did Luton win the Littlewoods Cup?
10. Who did they beat in the Final?

## PRIZE QUESTION

Win two tickets for the home game with Manchester City.

**Prize Question: Sunderland currently have Norwegian international Stig Ingle Bjorgamby on trial but can you name the club that Manchester City bought Norwegian international Age Hareide from?**

Send your answer together with your daytime telephone number to: Rob Mason, Promotions Office, Sunderland A.F.C., Roker Park, Grantham Road, Sunderland. Entries to arrive by Monday, October 29th.

We've had a very good response to our competitions so far. If you've not been lucky enough to win yet, don't give up, keep entering, one of these days it may be your entry that's drawn out.



## NAME THE SEASON

All of these events took place in the same season, but do you know which one?

1. Already working for the BBC, Bob Wilson re-signed for Arsenal as an emergency cover goalkeeper.
2. Tommy Docherty was sacked by Man United.
3. Don Revie resigned as manager of England.
4. Liverpool bought Kenny Dalglish from Celtic.
5. Pat Jennings was transferred from Spurs to Arsenal.
6. Peter Shilton as transferred from Stoke to Nottingham Forest.
7. Jack Charlton became manager of Sheffield Wednesday.
8. Richard Dinnis was sacked as manager of Newcastle.
9. Harry Haslam left Luton Town.
10. Charlie George refused to play for England 'B' considering it to be "an insult".



## PICTURE QUIZ

WHO ARE THE SUNDERLAND PLAYERS IN THIS PHOTOGRAPH?

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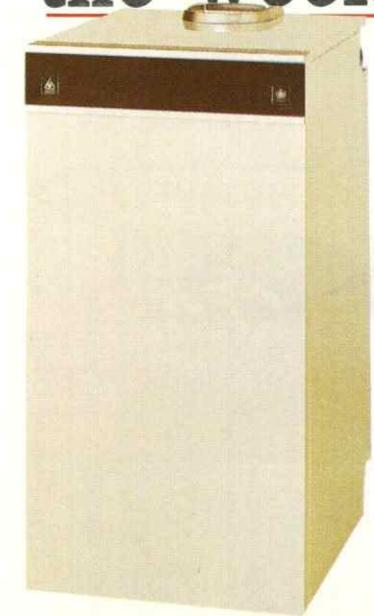
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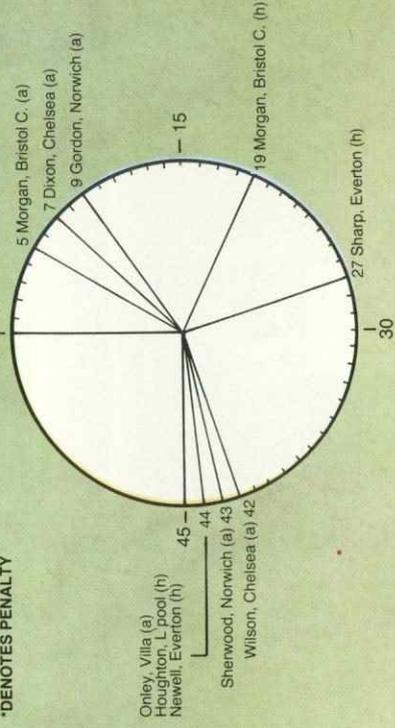
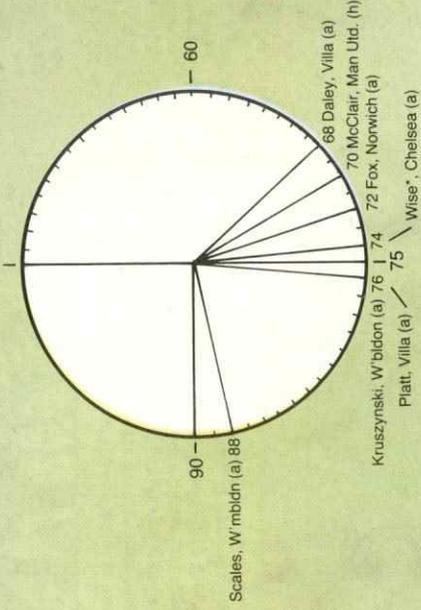
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A record of in which we have conceded goals so far this season.

**GOAL CLOCKS AGAINST.**

Notes Penalty

Onley, Villa (a) Houghton, L pool (h) Newell, Everton (h) Sherwood, Norwich (a) 42 Wilson, Chelsea (a) 42

After ten minutes we see a pattern emerging from the goal clocks. There are three periods when we are most vulnerable in defence. These are the opening and closing minutes of the first half and mid-through the second half.

In five of our eight First Division matches we've conceded goals in the four minutes leading up to half time, always a particularly bad time to let a goal in.

On three occasions we've conceded an early goal. Notably all of these have been away from home.

Over a third of the total number of goals we have conceded so far have occurred between the 68th and 76th minutes and all but one of these half dozen were away from home.

So far we have been pretty mean in the middle of the first half conceding only Graham Sharp's deflected shot between the 20th and 40th minute all season.

No team have yet scored against us in the first 50% of the second half.

What conclusions can be drawn from this? Perhaps none, maybe this analysis is explained by mere coincidence. Perhaps though this is an indication as to when concentration may lapse or the defence is simply worn down. Later in the season we will see if there is any noticeable change in the emerging pattern.

In the next home programme it is intended that we'll take a similar statistical look at the goals Sunderland have scored.

Div.	One	Rumbelows		F.A.		Total
		Cup	Cup	Cup	Cup	
Smith	1	1	0	0	0	2
Owers	2	2	0	0	0	2
Ord	2	(2)	0	0	0	2
Norman	8	2	0	0	0	10
MacPhail	1	0	0	0	0	1
Kay	8	2	0	0	0	10
Hardyman	(4)	(1)	0	0	0	5
Hausser	8	0	0	0	0	8
Brady	(3)	1	0	0	0	4
Cullen	(2)	(1)	0	0	0	3
Davenport	8	2	0	0	0	10
Gabbiadini	8	2	0	0	0	10
Bennett	8	2	0	0	0	10
Ball	2	0	0	0	0	2
Atkinson	2	0	0	0	0	2
Armstrong	8	2	0	0	0	10
Agboola	5	0	0	0	0	5

**GOAL-SCORERS**

**APPEARANCES**

Date	Opponents	F.A.	Att.	Pos	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	14	Ref
Aug. 25	Norwich City		2,3	17,247	Norman	Kay	Agboola	Bennett	MacPhail	Owers	Bracewell	Armstrong	Davenport	Gabbiadini	Atkinson	Hausser	Cullen	P Don
Sept. 1	Tottenham Hotspur		0-0	30,214	Norman	Kay	Agboola	Bennett	Ball	Owers	Bracewell	Armstrong	Davenport	Gabbiadini	Atkinson	Hausser	Cullen	T Simpson
8	Manchester United		2-1	26,105	Norman	Kay	Agboola	Bennett	Ball	Owers	Bracewell	Armstrong	Davenport	Gabbiadini	Atkinson	Hausser	Cullen	J Key
15	Everton		2-3	19,424	Norman	Kay	Agboola	Bennett	Ball	Owers	Bracewell	Armstrong	Davenport	Gabbiadini	Atkinson	Hausser	Cullen	M. James
22	Wimbledon		2-2	25,004	Norman	Kay	Agboola	Bennett	Ball	Owers	Bracewell	Armstrong	Davenport	Gabbiadini	Atkinson	Hausser	Cullen	J Kirby
28	Bristol C. LKO 2(1)		2-2	6,143	Norman	Kay	Agboola	Bennett	Ball	Owers	Bracewell	Armstrong	Davenport	Gabbiadini	Atkinson	Hausser	Cullen	Brady
28	Bristol C. LKO 2(1)		0-1	10,358	Norman	Kay	Agboola	Bennett	Ball	Owers	Bracewell	Armstrong	Davenport	Gabbiadini	Atkinson	Hausser	Cullen	Brady
Oct. 9	Liverpool		0-1	31,017	Norman	Kay	Agboola	Bennett	Ball	Owers	Bracewell	Armstrong	Davenport	Gabbiadini	Atkinson	Hausser	Cullen	Brady
20	Bristol C. LKO 2(2)		0-3	28,017	Norman	Kay	Agboola	Bennett	Ball	Owers	Bracewell	Armstrong	Davenport	Gabbiadini	Atkinson	Hausser	Cullen	Brady
27	Luton Town		0-1		Norman	Kay	Agboola	Bennett	Ball	Owers	Bracewell	Armstrong	Davenport	Gabbiadini	Atkinson	Hausser	Cullen	Brady
31	Derby County LKO 3		0-0		Norman	Kay	Agboola	Bennett	Ball	Owers	Bracewell	Armstrong	Davenport	Gabbiadini	Atkinson	Hausser	Cullen	Brady
Nov. 3	Manchester City		2-1		Norman	Kay	Agboola	Bennett	Ball	Owers	Bracewell	Armstrong	Davenport	Gabbiadini	Atkinson	Hausser	Cullen	Brady
10	Coventry City		2-1		Norman	Kay	Agboola	Bennett	Ball	Owers	Bracewell	Armstrong	Davenport	Gabbiadini	Atkinson	Hausser	Cullen	Brady
17	Nottingham Forest		2-2		Norman	Kay	Agboola	Bennett	Ball	Owers	Bracewell	Armstrong	Davenport	Gabbiadini	Atkinson	Hausser	Cullen	Brady
24	Sheff Wed United		2-2		Norman	Kay	Agboola	Bennett	Ball	Owers	Bracewell	Armstrong	Davenport	Gabbiadini	Atkinson	Hausser	Cullen	Brady
28	Sheff Wed United		2-2		Norman	Kay	Agboola	Bennett	Ball	Owers	Bracewell	Armstrong	Davenport	Gabbiadini	Atkinson	Hausser	Cullen	Brady
Dec. 1	Rumbelows Cup 4		0-1		Norman	Kay	Agboola	Bennett	Ball	Owers	Bracewell	Armstrong	Davenport	Gabbiadini	Atkinson	Hausser	Cullen	Brady
8	Derby County		0-1		Norman	Kay	Agboola	Bennett	Ball	Owers	Bracewell	Armstrong	Davenport	Gabbiadini	Atkinson	Hausser	Cullen	Brady
16	Tottenham Hotspur		0-1		Norman	Kay	Agboola	Bennett	Ball	Owers	Bracewell	Armstrong	Davenport	Gabbiadini	Atkinson	Hausser	Cullen	Brady
23	Tottenham Hotspur		0-3		Norman	Kay	Agboola	Bennett	Ball	Owers	Bracewell	Armstrong	Davenport	Gabbiadini	Atkinson	Hausser	Cullen	Brady
28	Coventry P (W. Reserve)		0-1		Norman	Kay	Agboola	Bennett	Ball	Owers	Bracewell	Armstrong	Davenport	Gabbiadini	Atkinson	Hausser	Cullen	Brady
29	Queens Park Rangers		0-1		Norman	Kay	Agboola	Bennett	Ball	Owers	Bracewell	Armstrong	Davenport	Gabbiadini	Atkinson	Hausser	Cullen	Brady
Jan. 1	Southampton		5		Norman	Kay	Agboola	Bennett	Ball	Owers	Bracewell	Armstrong	Davenport	Gabbiadini	Atkinson	Hausser	Cullen	Brady
5	F.A. Cup 3		12		Norman	Kay	Agboola	Bennett	Ball	Owers	Bracewell	Armstrong	Davenport	Gabbiadini	Atkinson	Hausser	Cullen	Brady
12	Manchester United		16		Norman	Kay	Agboola	Bennett	Ball	Owers	Bracewell	Armstrong	Davenport	Gabbiadini	Atkinson	Hausser	Cullen	Brady
16	Rumbelows Cup 5		19		Norman	Kay	Agboola	Bennett	Ball	Owers	Bracewell	Armstrong	Davenport	Gabbiadini	Atkinson	Hausser	Cullen	Brady
19	Chelsea		26		Norman	Kay	Agboola	Bennett	Ball	Owers	Bracewell	Armstrong	Davenport	Gabbiadini	Atkinson	Hausser	Cullen	Brady
26	F.A. Cup 4		9		Norman	Kay	Agboola	Bennett	Ball	Owers	Bracewell	Armstrong	Davenport	Gabbiadini	Atkinson	Hausser	Cullen	Brady
Feb. 2	Wimbledon		13		Norman	Kay	Agboola	Bennett	Ball	Owers	Bracewell	Armstrong	Davenport	Gabbiadini	Atkinson	Hausser	Cullen	Brady
13	Rumbelows Cup SF (1)		27		Norman	Kay	Agboola	Bennett	Ball	Owers	Bracewell	Armstrong	Davenport	Gabbiadini	Atkinson	Hausser	Cullen	Brady
20	Nottingham Forest		26		Norman	Kay	Agboola	Bennett	Ball	Owers	Bracewell	Armstrong	Davenport	Gabbiadini	Atkinson	Hausser	Cullen	Brady
27	Nottingham Forest		27		Norman	Kay	Agboola	Bennett	Ball	Owers	Bracewell	Armstrong	Davenport	Gabbiadini	Atkinson	Hausser	Cullen	Brady
27	Rumbelows Cup SF (2)		27		Norman	Kay	Agboola	Bennett	Ball	Owers	Bracewell	Armstrong	Davenport	Gabbiadini	Atkinson	Hausser	Cullen	Brady
March 2	Derby County		9		Norman	Kay	Agboola	Bennett	Ball	Owers	Bracewell	Armstrong	Davenport	Gabbiadini	Atkinson	Hausser	Cullen	Brady
9	Sheff. Utd. F.A. Cup 6		16		Norman	Kay	Agboola	Bennett	Ball	Owers	Bracewell	Armstrong	Davenport	Gabbiadini	Atkinson	Hausser	Cullen	Brady
16	Liverpool		23		Norman	Kay	Agboola	Bennett	Ball	Owers	Bracewell	Armstrong	Davenport	Gabbiadini	Atkinson	Hausser	Cullen	Brady
23	Aston Villa		30		Norman	Kay	Agboola	Bennett	Ball	Owers	Bracewell	Armstrong	Davenport	Gabbiadini	Atkinson	Hausser	Cullen	Brady
30	Crystal Palace		27		Norman	Kay	Agboola	Bennett	Ball	Owers	Bracewell	Armstrong	Davenport	Gabbiadini	Atkinson	Hausser	Cullen	Brady
Apr. 2	Leeds Utd (Tuesday)		27		Norman	Kay	Agboola	Bennett	Ball	Owers	Bracewell	Armstrong	Davenport	Gabbiadini	Atkinson	Hausser	Cullen	Brady
6	Queens Park Rangers		20		Norman	Kay	Agboola	Bennett	Ball	Owers	Bracewell	Armstrong	Davenport	Gabbiadini	Atkinson	Hausser	Cullen	Brady
13	Southampton		20		Norman	Kay	Agboola	Bennett	Ball	Owers	Bracewell	Armstrong	Davenport	Gabbiadini	Atkinson	Hausser	Cullen	Brady
20	Luton Town		21		Norman	Kay	Agboola	Bennett	Ball	Owers	Bracewell	Armstrong	Davenport	Gabbiadini	Atkinson	Hausser	Cullen	Brady
27	Rumbelows Cup Final		11		Norman	Kay	Agboola	Bennett	Ball	Owers	Bracewell	Armstrong	Davenport	Gabbiadini	Atkinson	Hausser	Cullen	Brady
May 1	Manchester City		18		Norman	Kay	Agboola	Bennett	Ball	Owers	Bracewell	Armstrong	Davenport	Gabbiadini	Atkinson	Hausser	Cullen	Brady
18	F.A. Cup Final				Norman	Kay	Agboola	Bennett	Ball	Owers	Bracewell	Armstrong	Davenport	Gabbiadini	Atkinson	Hausser	Cullen	Brady

**BARCLAYS LEAGUE DIVISION 1 - 1990/91**

**LINE-UPS**

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**SUNDERLAND:** Norman, Kay, Brady (Ord 45), Bennett, Ball, Owers (Hausser), Bracewell, Armstrong, Davenport, Gabbiadini, Hardyman.

**BRISTOL CITY:** Sinclair, Lewellyn, Aislewood, May, Shelton, Rennie, Bert, Newman, Taylor, Morgan, Smith, Subs Unused: Humphries, Allison.

**Referee:** D. T. Phillips (Barnsley). **Attendance:** 10,358.

**SUNDERLAND:** Norman, Kay, Ord, Bennett, Ball, Owers, Bracewell, Armstrong, Davenport, Gabbiadini, Cullen (Hausser 75), Sub Unused: Gray.

**LIVERPOOL:** Grobbelaar, Hyusen, Burrows, Nicol, Whelan, Gillespie, Beardsley, Houghton, Rush, Barnes, McMahon.

**Referee:** T. E. West (Hull). **Attendance:** 31,107.

**VILLA:** Spink, Price, Nielsen, Mountfield, McGrath, Gray, Platt, Birch (Ormondroyd), Cowans, Daley, Olney (Casciaro).

**SUNDERLAND:** Norman, Kay, Bennett, Ball, Smith, Owers, Bracewell, Armstrong, Hausser, Gabbiadini, Davenport, Subs Unused: Cullen, Ord.

**Referee:** R. Bigger (Croyden).

**BRISTOL CITY:** Leaning, Lewellyn, Aislewood, May, Shelton, Rennie, Donowa, Newman, Taylor (Allison), Morgan, Smith, Sub Unused: Bailey.

**SUNDERLAND:** Norman, Kay, Smith, Bennett, Ball, Owers, Bracewell (Ord), Armstrong, Davenport, Gabbiadini, Hausser (Cullen). **Referee:** J. Martin (Alton). **Attendance:** 11,776.

**BRISTOL CITY 1, SUNDERLAND 6**

Our Rumbelows Cup win at Ashton Gate was our biggest away win since the war. It equalled our 6-1 win at The Hawthorns over W.B.A. in 1937 when Carter with a hat-trick, Gurney, Spahler and Saunders grabbed the goals to avenge a 6-4 defeat on the same ground eight months earlier.

We did win 7-2 at Middlesbrough in a war-time game but they don't count in official records. Of course our record away win is that 9-1 win at Newcastle in 1908.

The victory at Bristol also sets a new record for an away cup win by Sunderland.



DENIS SMITH

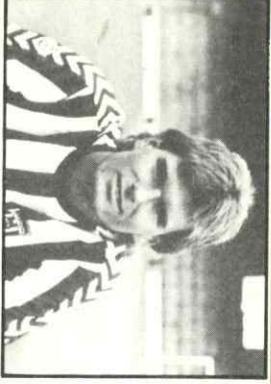


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P Don  
T Simpson  
Cullen 8(11)  
Hausser 8(11)  
Brady 1 8(11)  
M. James  
J Kirby  
H. Kirby  
H. Kirby  
D T Phillips  
T West  
R L Bigger

KEY — Home games in bold. Scorers with 1 or 2, 3 etc. next to name to denote goals scored. P = penalty scored. C = caution. d = dismissed. S = substituted. Number next to substitute shows who they replaced.

Date	Opponents	F.A.	Pos	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	14
Aug. 30	Newcastle Utd.															
Sept. 5	Wolverhampton W.															
11	Manchester Utd															
19	Sheffield United															
Oct. 3	Nottingham Forest															
10	Leicester City															
15	Aston Villa															
24	Manchester City															
31	Nottingham Forest															
Nov. 6	Rotherham United															
14	Leeds United															
21	Blackburn Rovers															
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Thomas Hauser, last season's top scorer for the reserves and 6 goals in 6 starts for the first team. This season 4 goals in 5 games for the reserves, a goal in the first minute of his second appearance in the first team starting line-up but then an Achilles tendon injury that will keep him out for the rest of the season. A blow for Thomas and for the club.

PONTINS CENTRAL LEAGUE		Division One	
Nottingham Forest	7	4	3
Sheffield Wednesday	7	4	1
Derby County	7	4	2
Man United	7	4	2
Rotherham	7	4	1
<b>Sunderland</b>	7	3	3
Coventry	7	3	2
Aston Villa	6	3	2
Leeds United	7	3	2
Liverpool	8	3	1
Everton	7	2	2
Newcastle	7	2	0
Blackburn	6	1	2
Wolves	7	1	1
Man City	7	1	2
Huddersfield	6	1	4
Leicester	7	1	4
Sheffield United	6	1	5
			4

MALCOLM CROSBY



## PONTINS CENTRAL LEAGUE — 1990/91

Date	Opponents	F.A.	Pos	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	14
Aug. 30	Newcastle Utd.															
Sept. 5	Wolverhampton W.															
11	Manchester Utd															
19	Sheffield United															
Oct. 3	Nottingham Forest															
10	Leicester City															
15	Aston Villa															
24	Manchester City															
31	Nottingham Forest															
Nov. 6	Rotherham United															
14	Leeds United															
21	Blackburn Rovers															
27	Derby County															
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## NORTHERN INTERMEDIATE LEAGUE — 1990/91

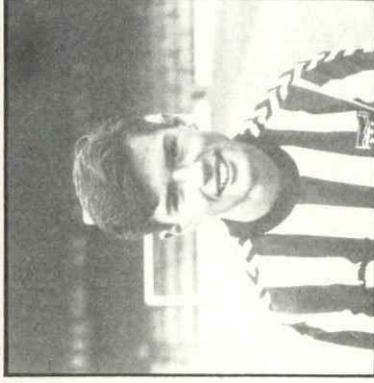
Date	Opponents	F.A.	Pos	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	14
Aug. 20	Barnsley (Monday)															
25	Huddersfield															
Sept. 1	Scarbrough															
8	NIL Cup v Doncaster															
15	Bradford City															
18	Cup (replay) v Doncaster															
22	Sheffield Wednesday															
29	Newcastle															
Oct. 6	Scunthorpe United															
20	Middlebrough															
27	Doncaster rovers															
Nov. 3	Leeds United															
10	York City															
17	Halifax Town															
24	Sheffield United															
Dec. 1	Darlington															
8	Hartlepool United															
15	Rotherham United															
22	Hull City															
29	Barnsley															
Jan. 5	Huddersfield Town															
12	Scarbrough															
19	Bradford City															
26	Sheffield Wednesday															
Feb. 2	Newcastle United															
9	Scunthorpe United															
16	Middlebrough															
23	Doncaster Rovers															
March 2	Leeds															
9	York City															
16	Halifax Town															
23	Sheffield United															
April 6	Hartlepool United															
13	Rotherham United															
20	Hull City															



JIM MORROW



ROGER JONES



Anthony Smith: Carried off against Newcastle Youths but recovered to make his first team debut at Aston Villa.

## JIM MORROW FACTFILE

**CRAIG RUSSELL (16)**. Jarrow. Played for S. Tyneside Boys and Durham County Boys at U-15 Level. He has been a prolific scorer over the last four seasons. England Trials at U-15. Played last season for Hebburn Juniors in the J.O.C. U-18 League. He is a centre forward.

**PAUL JEFFREY (16)**. Newcastle. Paul has been playing for Ashington Juniors in the Banks Northern Junior U-19 League. He is a midfield player.

KEY — Home games in bold. Scorers with 1 or 2, 3 etc. next to name to denote goals scored. P = penalty scored. C = caution. d = dismissed. S = substituted. Number next to substitute shows who they replaced.

# UPDATE

ROB MASON

**TUESDAY, 25th SEPTEMBER:**  
(Rumbelows Cup, Second Round, First Leg)  
**SUNDERLAND 0, BRISTOL CITY 1**

**SATURDAY, 29th SEPTEMBER (Div. One)**  
**SUNDERLAND 0, LIVERPOOL 1**

**SATURDAY, 6th OCTOBER (Div. One)**  
**ASTON VILLA 3, SUNDERLAND 0**

**TUESDAY, 9th OCTOBER**  
(Rumbelows Cup, Second Round, Second Leg)  
**BRISTOL CITY 1, SUNDERLAND 6**  
Sunderland win 6-2 on aggregate.

A run of three defeats without a goal followed by our biggest away win since the war! "It's a funny old game Saint!" A dismal performance greeted the diehards who turned out for the cup-tie with Bristol City. Sunderland never really got going against a well drilled and efficient side who deserved their victory which was sealed by a Nicky Morgan header after 19 minutes. In "Bennett's Brief" that night, the skipper pointed out that: "... whatever the outcome at 9.25 everyone must bear in mind that it will only be half-time in the tie and we'll be looking to progress into the next round at Ashton Gate."

Benno was certainly proved right in the second leg when no fewer than six goals flew into the City net to the delight of the large Roker following who as usual showed that travelling supporters can act as excellent ambassadors for their club. Only 28 seconds had elapsed when Thomas Hauser scored with a superb diving header after a swift interchange between Marco and Peter Davenport. Unfortunately our excellent start was wiped out within five minutes when Kevin Ball's old Portsmouth team mate Nick Morgan scored his second goal of the tie to restore City's aggregate lead.

However, as a half in which Tony Norman was our most influential player drew to a close, it was Kevin Ball who seized on the ball way outside the penalty area and unleashed a spectacular shot which beat Andy Leaning all ends up in the City goal. After several near misses this season, this was Kevin's first goal for Sunderland.

Four minutes after the break Gabbiadini ripped open the Robins rearguard and presented Gary Owers with a tap in. Owers of course had scored the winner on our last visit to Ashton Gate and this goal was to prove the decider in the two legged tie.

Having already set up two goals though there was still time for Marco to notch a couple for himself and open up City again for Tony Cullen who finished confidently to become the second player in the game to get his first goal for us.

Cullen's presence though was sadly caused by a serious injury to Thomas Hauser who ruptured his Achilles tendon in the first half. Having just broken into the starting line-up three days earlier at Villa Park this was particularly cruel luck on Hauser who never gives less than 100%. The injury is likely to keep Thomas out of action for the rest of the season. The draw for the third round gives us a tie at Derby which brings back memories of the League Cup clash between the clubs in 1973 which ended with a Vic Halom hat-trick taking us through to a tie with Liverpool after three of the best games I've seen. Earlier in the week we had also been drawn away in the Zenith Data Systems Cup where we will meet the winners of the tie between Notts County and Port Vale who, you will remember, knocked us out in this competition last year.

However, it is league points we're after this afternoon and they'll be especially welcome as we've lost our last two league games against last season's champions and runners-up.

Liverpool were hustled into some early errors but nonetheless oozed class over the ninety minutes. We could draw some small consolation from the fact that we became the first side this season to have restricted Liverpool to one goal but had Kevin Ball's late header gone in rather than hitting the inside of the post we may have had a welcome point for our efforts. At least Gary Owers' performance earned him the North-East Barclays Young Eagle of the Month Award as he impressed the watching Jack Charlton. Gary will receive his silver salver this afternoon.



At Villa Park where Anthony Smith was given his debut the lads played very well indeed, taking the game to Villa with Gabbiadini hitting the post and the in-form Peter Davenport creating havoc. However, as the "Goal Clocks" on Page 27 of The Roker Review have shown, it is in the five minutes preceding half-time that we have been most vulnerable. Just as Ray Houghton had notched the Liverpool winner on the stroke of half-time, Ian Olney scored in the 44th minute as Villa became the fifth team in our opening eight league games to score against us just before the break.

Armstrong, Davenport and Hauser went close to an equaliser before Tony Daley increased Villas lead mid-way through the half. Tony Norman knows he should have saved it but very player makes mistakes in every game and Tony makes fewer than most but of course goalkeeping errors are hugely magnified. His performance at Bristol certainly atoned for his uncharacteristic error.

David Platt wrapped up the goalscoring in the 76th minute to give the home side a flattering 3-0 scoreline. It was the first time we'd lost by more than one goal this season but once again the travelling Roker Roar made a positive impression backing the team and behaving impeccably. Around 5,000 made the trip and have earned the accolade of the country's best away supporters from Metro Radio's Peter Dillon. Keep it up and we'll see you at Highbury next Saturday.

LINE-UPS ARE ON PAGE 26.

## HALF-TIME ANSWERS

### QUIZ

1, Birmingham, Notts County and Wolves. 2, Luton. 3, Arnold Muhren. 4, Tim Breacker. 5, Hereford United. 6, Division Four. 7, Bernie Slaven then of Albion Rovers. 8, Three (Sheffield United v Everton, Man Utd. v Liverpool and Man City v Arsenal). 9, 1988. 10, Arsenal.

### PICTURE QUIZ

The Sunderland players are Alan Brown and Jim Holton in the background behind the referee Pat Partridge.

### NAME THE SEASON

1977/78.

### PRIZE QUESTION

In the Liverpool programme we asked you who was the former Sunderland reserve player who played for Rochdale against Hartlepool on John MacPhail's loan debut for Hartlepool last month. The answer was David Cole. Thanks to all who entered. The winner was Nicholas Watson of South Bents who has been a regular entrant to this season's competitions proving that persistence pays off.

# HALF TIMES

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|--|--------------------------------------|
| A Ipswich Town v Newcastle Utd. ....   | J Tottenham v Sheffield United ..... |
| B Chelsea v Nottingham Forest .....    | K Wimbledon v Aston Villa .....      |
| C Coventry v Southampton .....         | L Middlesbro v Bristol Rovers .....  |
| D Derby County v Manchester City ..... | M Sheffield Wed v Port Vale .....    |
| E Everton v Crystal Palace .....       | N Swindon v West Ham .....           |
| F Leeds Utd v QPR .....                | P Maidstone v Darlington .....       |
| G Man Utd. v Arsenal .....             | R Wrexham v Hartlepool .....         |
| H Norwich v Liverpool .....            |                                      |

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NEIL JACKSON  
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Ayton, Washington



MICHAEL HODGSON  
12 years old from Cleadon,  
Sunderland



JON MELVIN  
8 years old from  
South Shields

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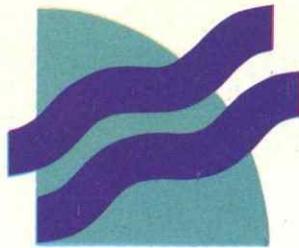
JOHN KAY is the fans' choice as Sunderland A.F.C. Player of the Month for September in the competition run by the Sunderland Echo in association with the North of England Building Society.

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Tony Norman	1	Alec Chamberlain
John Kay	2	Richard Harvey
Anthony Smith	3	Julian James
Gary Bennett (Capt.)	4	Darron McDonough
Kevin Ball	5	Dave Beaumont
Gary Owers	6	John Dreyer
Paul Bracewell	7	Lars Elstrup
Gordon Armstrong	8	David Preece
Peter Davenport	9	Iain Dowie
Marco Gabbiadini	10	Ceri Hughes
Tony Cullen	11	Kingsley Black
Richard Ord	12	Jason Rees
Warren Hawke	14	Marvin Johnson

### OFFICIALS

**Referee:**

**W. C. BURNS (Scarborough)**

Now in his third season on the League Referees' List, Mr. Burns is involved in the Dairy business and is married with four children.

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