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THIS is our first home game for a month and after the disappointments of the last three away games, it is important that we get back on the winning road again.

Some people have been suggesting our season is over because we have gone out of the F.A. Cup and the Zenith Data Systems Cup. I don't see it that way at all.

Naturally, everyone at Maine Road is bitterly disappointed that we are not involved in the sixth round of the F.A. Cup this weekend. With any sort of luck at Notts County, we would have been.

It was another setback to lose in extra time at Leeds in the other Cup competition four days later. And again at QPR last Saturday.

But we had the chances to win all three matches and didn't take them. In fact, we haven't scored since we beat Chelsea 2-1 here in February. So we have to put that right very quickly.

The good thing is that we have been creating enough chances to win matches. And with the quality of the players we have at Maine Road, the goals must start going in sooner or later. We have to make sure it's sooner.

How can our season be over when we have thirteen League games left? Liverpool, Crystal Palace, Leeds and Manchester United all lost at the weekend, so we could have been in fifth place tonight if we had won at QPR.

There are a lot of points to play for, in fact more points

than we have already, and the target must be to finish in the highest position possible.

Three successive home games give us an opportunity to make up for our recent disappointments and we must go all out for the nine points.

Luton Town are our visitors tonight and I haven't forgotten how they came back from 2-0 down against us at Kenilworth Road in November and snatched a 2-2 draw with a last-minute goal.

That was my first full game in charge and I thought we had done enough to win it.

Luton have been struggling a bit this season but in their last two League games they have beaten Liverpool and Nottingham Forest. So they will come here in a confident frame of mind.

But we don't like losing any more than you do, so we will be working harder than ever to give you something to shout about tonight.

When we beat Chelsea here 2-1, in our last home game, it gave us our fifth successive win. We played really well for half an hour and went two goals up. No disrespect to Chelsea but maybe it seemed a bit too easy for us.

We slackened off when we had the chances to 'kill' the game. And Chelsea got a goal back. Fortunately, we hung on for the three points.

Having been out for three weeks, because of my knee operation, I was well pleased with the job the lads had done in my absence, putting together a winning run.

It should have continued against Notts County in the F.A. Cup. We created so many chances at Meadow Lane but the ball would not go in for us. How many times did we hit the bar or the post?

And their 'keeper stopped everything else.

It was just one of those frustrating days when nothing went right. I thought we

deserved a replay at least.

Then we went to Leeds for the Zenith Data Systems Cup game and it was always going to be difficult at Elland Road. But after our 'keeper, Tony Coton, had kept us in the game for 45 minutes, I thought we were the better team in the second half.

So it was a real sickener to concede two goals in the last few minutes of extra time, one of them a deflection off Colin Hendry.

Once again, I couldn't fault the players for effort or attitude.

After the Leeds game, we had a blank Saturday when we should have been back at Elland Road for a League fixture. The fixture list does seem to get messed about a lot at this stage of the season, what with Cup replays and 'live' TV games.

Sam Ellis and myself took the opportunity to go north of the border that weekend and check on a few Scottish players. In fact, we are looking at players all over the country.

To be honest, I can't see us getting involved in the transfer market before the deadline later this month. I am really looking ahead to next season in that respect.

Things can change, of course, but I can assure you nothing is imminent.

Finally, a word or two about our game at QPR last Saturday. Once again we had the chances although our task became more difficult when we had to re-organise after Neil Pointon had been sent off for a "professional foul".

No excuses about the defeat because Rangers scored a good goal when we had 11 men and I don't argue with referees' decisions.

From my own point of view, it was good to get back into action again. The knee op went well and I just need matches now. And three points from tonight's game.

Credit Card service now available BOOK A BARGAIN WITH THE BLUES

CITY look set for a bumper response to the Season Ticket Discount Scheme which was announced last month. Already, thousands of supporters have applied for season tickets for 1991/92 and in doing so, have qualified for substantial cash savings under the Discount Scheme. Particularly pleasing has been the number of new applicants—fans who are not currently season ticket holders, but who have decided to back the Club by committing themselves to a season ticket now.

"Yes, it's amazing how many new applicants have already been received" confirmed Bernard Halford, City's Club Secretary. "With the time growing closer when grounds have to become all-seated, people are becoming more and more aware how vital it is to have a prime spot to watch games. We have released some excellent seats in Blocks B and C of the Main Stand, which were previously held for visiting guests etc., and these are being snapped up quickly by discerning fans, plus some others in H Centre. There is, too, the advantage that having a season ticket gives you a head start in obtaining places for Cup ties and important League fixtures away from home.

"The move to allow fans to purchase season tickets by credit card has also been a great boost for it allows supporters to take maximum advantage of the Discount Scheme by purchasing before 31st March and yet choose when they actually complete their payment. They can settle the credit card bill the following month or spread the cost over several months to suit their own preference" explained Bernard.

Study the table below and see how much you can benefit if you're a regular fan. In the Main Stand, there are savings of up to £90 for adult supporters, while children and O.A.P.'s can make savings of £115, £105 or £100 in the various blocks. It's a similar story in the North Stand, where an adult Season Ticket saves you £52 (children/O.A.P.'s save £77) and in the Kippax where a regular supporter can save £40 by buying a Season Ticket (children/O.A.P.'s save £23), compared with the matchday prices for next season.

With the First Division reverting to 22 clubs next season, there has never been a better time to become a Season Ticket holder, so act now and book a bargain with the Blues!

BLOCK	PRICE TO MARCH 31 £	PRICE TO MAY 31 £	PRICE FROM JUNE 1 £	MARCH SAVING ON 1991/92 PRICE £
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B, C, CHILDREN/OAPs	110.00	120.00	130.00	100.00
E, F, H CENTRE	150.00	165.00	180.00	60.00
E, F, H CENTRE, CHILDREN/OAPs	105.00	115.00	125.00	105.00
D, I, H OUTER	125.00	140.00	150.00	85.00
A	120.00	130.00	140.00	90.00
A, D, I, H OUTER, CHILDREN/OAPs	95.00	105.00	115.00	115.00
NORTH STAND	95.00	105.00	115.00	52.00
NORTH STAND, CHILDREN/OAPs	70.00	80.00	90.00	77.00
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CAR PARK (Main, Forecourt & Social Club)	80.00	90.00		
CAR PARK (KIPPAX)	35.00	35.00	35.00	

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All existing Second Year Season Ticket Holders will now become regular Season Ticket Holders.

Please note Junior Blues must renew their Memberships for 1991/92 Season before Season Ticket books can be issued, this may be made at the same time as application for the Season Ticket is made. Life members, of course, are not required to renew their Membership.

Applications should be made by post except for new applicants who may apply by calling at the Ticket Office to choose their seat, and payments are to be made by crossed cheque or postal orders. Please mark envelopes S/T in the top left hand corner. Credit Card bookings are now accepted for season tickets with a £2.00 administration charge being made for each individual Season Ticket reservation using the Credit Card Line 061-227 9229.

Existing Season Ticket Holders should renew by completing the renewal form in their current ticket book and mark application envelope S/T in top left hand corner.

City Bondholders should not renew until after 9th March 1991 in view of the refunds which are due to be made by that date. If monies are not received by that date then you should contact the Club Secretary at Maine Road.

It is important that a stamped addressed envelope is enclosed with all applications. Current Season Ticket Holders are reminded that they have until 31st May to reserve their usual seat for next season.



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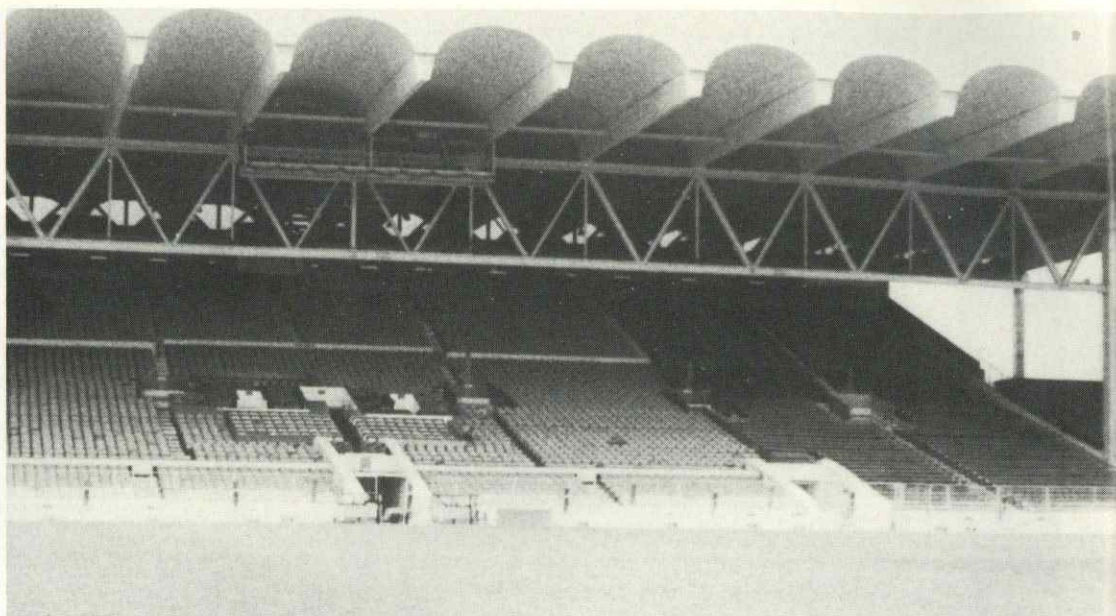


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FIXTURE RE-ARRANGEMENT

City's fixture list is finally taking shape after a number of important matches have been re-scheduled.

It was only last Tuesday evening, following Luton Town's exit from the Zenith Data Systems Cup, that Bernard Halford could confirm that tonight's match would definitely be played, while 24 hours later, Liverpool were knocked out of the FA Cup by Merseyside rivals, Everton, which meant that next Saturday's League fixture at Maine Road against the men from Anfield would go ahead as originally planned.

The Blues' visit to Aston Villa, postponed back in December because of a snow-bound pitch, has already been re-arranged for Wednesday, April 24th and more recently, City's League game at Elland Road, which had to be cancelled because Leeds were due to face Manchester United in the Rumbelows League Cup semi-final, will now take place on Wednesday, April 10th.

Finally, City fans who follow the progress of the Reserves should note that the Pontins League fixtures against Sunderland at home and Wolverhampton Wanderers at Molineux have been given new dates of Thursday 11th and Thursday 25th April respectively.

CREDIT CARD BOOST

As an extra benefit for City supporters, the Club has completed arrangements for payments for season tickets to be made by credit card.

Coupled with the current Season Ticket Discount Scheme, the opportunity to use a credit card makes a season ticket purchase even more attractive, for fans can now make substantial savings by buying before 31st March and yet spread the cost of their purchase over several months, if they so wish.

The credit card facility was initially made available for the purchase of individual match tickets on the Dial-a-Seat telephone service (061-227 9229) and such has been the popularity of the credit card line that it has been decided to extend the service to include the purchase of season tickets.

Supporters wishing to pay for season tickets by credit card should phone on 061-227 9229 or make personal application to the Ticket Office.

MILESTONES FOR BLUES

An ever-present for the Blues in the Barclays League since signing from Blackburn Rovers for £700,000 in November 1989, central defender Colin Hendry made his 50th League appearance

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We are delighted to announce details of our SPRING TALENT COMPETITION.

Heats are currently being held on Sunday evenings—please contact the Social Club Manager, Clary Howarth, if you would like to show what you can do on stage!

Winners of the heats will progress to the Grand Final, and the best three acts will share prize money of £250, in addition to a guaranteed £1,000-worth of bookings at North West venues.

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for City at Q.P.R. last Saturday.

The 25 year-old was a landslide winner of the Supporters' Club Player of the Year award last season and he is continuing to enjoy his time at Maine Road:

"I am delighted to be clocking up 50 league games unbroken—and I think I've only missed two Cup ties as well" said the Scot, who began his career in 1984 with Dundee.

Another statistical landmark has been reached by David White, who played his 200th League and Cup game for the Blues against Notts County a fortnight ago.

This achievement is put into perspective when considering that famous names from City's past, including Sam Barkas, Peter Doherty, George Heslop and Rodney Marsh all fell short of a double century and at the tender age of 23, David White could be forgiven for expecting to pass some more significant milestones in the future!

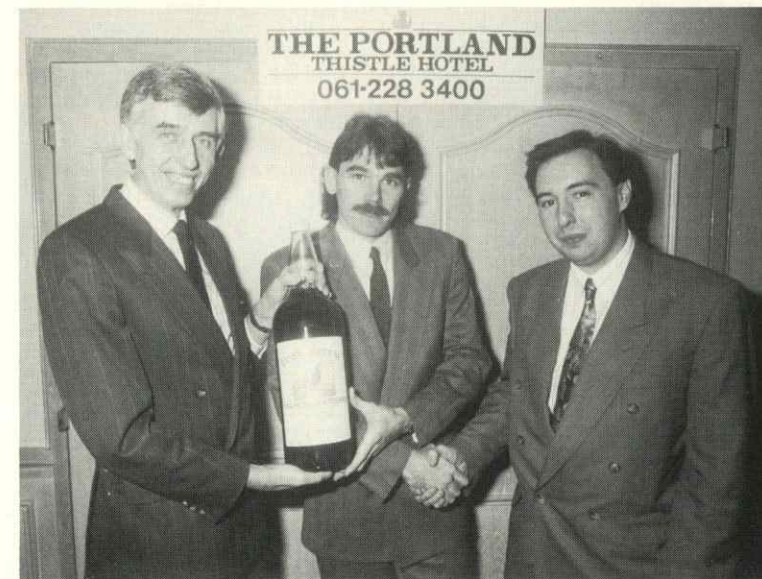
CHEERS FOR POINTON

Neil Pointon's sterling work at left-back has won him the fans' nomination as the Famous Grouse Player for January, the first time the 26 year-old has landed this prestigious award.

Signed from Everton in an exchange deal which saw Andy Hinchliffe move to Godison Park last summer, Pointon has been an ever-present so far this season and has impressed with his solid

defensive play and his regular forages into the opposition's half.

Avid Blues' fan, Darren Marshall from Blackpool, who voted for the City full-back, enjoyed meeting Neil at a celebratory luncheon held at The Portland Thistle Hotel in Manchester and they are pictured together with Ron Elms, the Famous Grouse Northern Area manager, who presented Neil with his commemorative gallon bottle of whisky.



GET WELL SOON

City's Head Groundsman, Stan Gibson, along with the rest of the staff at Maine Road, send their best wishes to Andy Meecham, who has recently undergone major surgery at Withington Hospital.

He has been a valuable member of City's groundstaff for many years and the stadium does not seem quite the same without him, so his friends, and colleagues hope to see him back at the football club as soon as possible!



Manchester Evening News FAMILY STAND

Next Saturday will be a memorable occasion for Jayne Symes and her family, following her success in our free draw to select the Blues' mascot for the day.

Jayne, who comes from Stalybridge, will be given a City strip, have her photograph taken with the two captains and match officials, and along with her guests will finish the day by rubbing shoulders with her heroes in the Players Lounge.

If you would like the chance of leading the City team out as mascot at a game later this season, we will be revealing details of the next Mascot Draw in a forthcoming Match Magazine, so watch this space!

Finally, there are 10 pairs of Family Stand tickets to be won for the City versus Wimbledon match on Saturday 16th March in our competition in this Saturday's Pink Final, so make sure you pick up your copy outside the ground after the Liverpool fixture, or to make things easier, arrange for your newsagent to deliver a copy to your home each week.



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McDonough hoping to end City "jinx"

"SOME things are not meant to be", says Darron McDonough, recalling the breakdown of his proposed move to Maine Road from Luton a little over 18 months ago.

The former Oldham Athletic player looked all set to link up again with his first boss, Jimmy Frizzell, after City had won promotion under Mel Machin.

"I was at the end of my contract at Luton and was looking at various possibilities. City were interested and I had a chat with Jimmy and Mel but things didn't work out.

"And I finished up signing a new contract at Luton".

Darron, who joined Oldham as a 16-year-old, was in his eighth season at Boundary Park when Joe Royle transferred him to the 'Hatters' for a fee of £87,500.

They got themselves a bargain because Darron can slot into virtually any outfield position.

"I started at Oldham as a centre half, went to midfield, then played up front for 30-40 matches. I was back at centre half when Luton came in for me and though I've played in most positions, I enjoy central defence most of all".

What he doesn't enjoy is frequenting the treatment room and the injury jinx that seems to strike whenever Luton play City.

"I missed both of our games against City last season. I dislocated my shoulder the week before we were due at Maine Road and didn't play in the return either.

"Then early this season, I cracked a rib and was out for a month and because the team were doing quite well, I was on the bench for a while. So I was sub against City at Kenilworth Road.

"I did get on for the last half-hour and we pulled back from 2-0 down to draw two apiece.

"I don't think I've played at Maine Road more than a couple of times and on the last occasion

I fractured my cheek-bone. So I don't seem to have the best of luck where City are involved"

A pulled back muscle cost Darron his first-team place recently and after watching Luton's tremendous win over Liverpool ten days ago, he knew it would be hard to get back into the line-up.

"We really battered Liverpool in the second half at Kenilworth Road and it was a great win—our first since December", said Darron.

"But we have played like that against other teams and the result hasn't gone our way. It annoys me that we hardly ever get any credit in the media for how we play.

"We are not a kick-and-rush team at all. We went to Forest before Christmas and were all over them. So it's not fair whenever we do get a result, people put it down to the plastic pitch."

Oldham have the same problem and it will persist until both clubs switch to grass again for next season.

"I left Oldham in their first season on the plastic. It's not bad to play on but you can't beat a real grass pitch. Mind you,

some of the pitches we have to play on in the middle of winter are nothing like it".

Darron has made two Wembley appearances for Luton, one in the Simod Cup Final against Reading and the other as substitute against Nottingham Forest in the Littlewoods Cup Final.

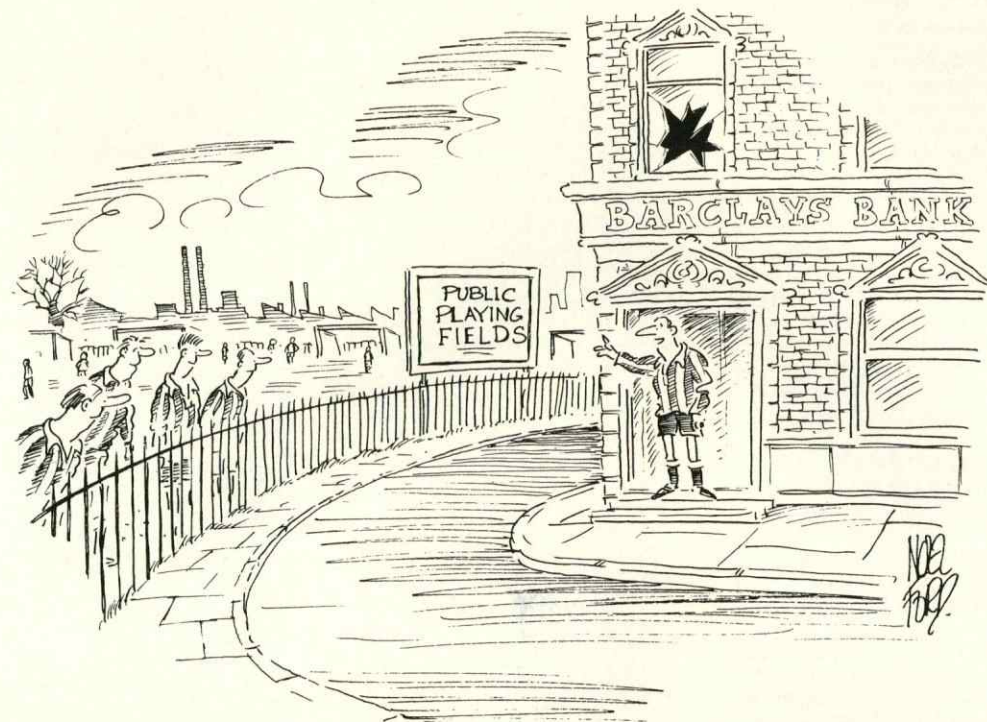
But he says his greatest footballing memory is of Luton's final league game last season, when a 3-2 win at Derby saved them from the drop.

"To go there and win for First Division survival was one of the best feelings I've ever had. Naturally, we don't want to go through all that again this season but I don't see a problem.

"We've just got to start reproducing our form against Liverpool on a regular basis and make sure we get the results.

"It was disappointing to lose at Crystal Palace last Tuesday, in the Zenith Data Systems Cup, but everyone is still on a high after the Liverpool result"

If things had worked differently, Darron could have been lining up in Manchester City's colours tonight. He'll settle for a Luton shirt and an end to his injury jinx.



'The manager will be delighted to discuss more comprehensive insurance for the club and, yes we CAN have our ball back.'



**Luton Town's
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LUTON TOWN

LUTON TOWN are embarking on what has become an almost annual battle to avoid relegation.

Fortunately, their arrival at Maine Road this evening sees Manchester City comfortably placed in the top half of the table thus avoiding any chance of a repeat of the 1983 fixture when substitute Raddy Antic scored a dramatic late winner for the Hatters that meant survival for Luton... the drop for City.

Luton last term escaped relegation by the skin of their teeth, again on the final day of the season.

Only a dramatic 3-2 victory over Derby County at the Baseball Ground where Northern Ireland international Kingsley Black provided a stunning two-goal match winning performance kept the First Division flag flying at Kenilworth Road.

But once again, Town are deep in trouble in the bottom half of a section where a host of clubs are in danger of going down, so keen is the fight for survival.

For instance, Sheffield United were at one stage seemingly dead although not quite buried.

However, a string of heartening results since Christmas and New Year has turned the tide at Bramall Lane where the Blades beat Manchester United seven days ago to take a step nearer safety.

That merely turned the screw for other clubs, Luton Town among them. However, the Hatters launched their own bid to beat the drop by beating Liverpool in the first game for the champions following Kenny Dalglish's sensational walk-out as manager.

Iain Dowie, scorer of one of the goals that saw Luton scramble a 2-2 draw when coming from two-down against City at Kenilworth Road last autumn, was on the mark twice against Liverpool—Luton's first league win of the year and one that followed a disastrous sequence of six out of seven defeats.

However, it was a case of "after the Lord Mayor's show" in the following game. Luton went to Crystal Palace for the southern area semi final of the Zenith Cup only to lose 3-1.

But Luton battle on and here are

the players who will be attempting to take a further step towards end-of-season safety:

ALEC CHAMBERLAIN: A tall and agile goalkeeper, he made his league debut for Colchester United in January, 1983 and after many fine displays, Everton were persuaded to pay £80,000 for his services in the summer of 1987. However, he was kept in the Goodison Park shadows by the brilliant Neville Southall and did not enjoy a league appearance. Instead, he crossed the Mersey for a loan spell at Tranmere before joining Luton in the summer of 1988 and became an established first choice towards the end of the 1988-89 campaign.

MARVIN JOHNSON: One of several members of the Hatters' talented youth side, he knows Wembley well... he was born in the town! Currently featuring at right back, he can also play in the centre of the defence where his pace stamps him as a player for the future.

GRAHAM RODGER: Signed in 1989 for £150,000 from Coventry City where he had been almost a permanent understudy to Brian Kilcline and Trevor Peake, Rodger had a dramatic start to his Luton career. In only his third game, he



Lars Elstrup—13 League goals already this season.

suffered a terrible injury that kept him out of action for 15 months although he is now happily recovered. Glasgow-born, Rodger is nevertheless an English under 21 international.

JOHN DREYER: The Luton skipper scored a last gasp equaliser that City bitterly contested at Kenilworth Road earlier this season when the Blues

Form Guide

1. 1 (a)	Wimbledon	0-2
12. 1 (h)	Southampton	3-4
	<i>Elstrup, James, Dreyer (pen.)</i>	
19. 1 (a)	Leeds United	1-2
	<i>Elstrup.</i>	
2. 2 (h)	Q.P.R.	1-2
	<i>Black.</i>	
23. 2 (h)	Liverpool	3-1
	<i>Black, Dowie (2).</i>	
2. 3 (h)	Nottm. Forest	1-0
	<i>Dowie.</i>	

surrendered a two-goal lead. Signed for £140,000 from Oxford in the summer of 1988, he had appeared on loan for Torquay and Fulham before making his Oxford debut at home to Coventry in October, 1986.

RICHARD HARVEY: Following a string of impressive performances for Luton's Football Combination side as well as captaining the successful Hatters' youth team, he made his deserved league debut at home to Queens Park Rangers in November, 1986. Now a recognised senior squad member, Harvey had toured South America with the England under 19 squad.

JULIAN JAMES: Another product of Luton's successful youth policy, he made three appearances as a substitute towards the end of the 1987-88 season, including a 1-1 draw against Liverpool at Anfield. A reliable and strong left back, James was in the England under 21 squad for the mini-world Cup tournament in Toulon last summer.

DAVID BEAUMONT: Signed in 1989 from Dundee United where he had been understudy to Scottish internationals David Narey and Paul Hegarty, Beaumont made his Luton debut in a Littlewoods Cup semi final against West Ham at Upton Park where his calm and cultured performance assured him of senior recognition for the rest of



JIMMY RYAN has just completed his first year as manager of Luton Town.

A former player for the Kenilworth Road club, he took over on January 11, 1990, following the departure by mutual consent of Ray Harford who later stepped into the Wimbledon hot seat.

Stirling-born, 45-year-old Ryan left his native Scotland in 1962 for trials at Old Trafford where his wing-play earned him his first professional contract with Manchester United.

He was so successful with the Reds that he won a 1968 European Cup winners medal when he was a substitute in the famous victory over Benfica.

Two years later, Ryan joined Luton and helped them to promotion from the Second Division in 1974. He remained at Kenilworth Road until 1976 when he then moved to the United States playing for Dallas Tornado and Wichita Wings.

Ryan gained his English FA coaching licence in 1982 and joined the Luton staff in a coaching capacity in 1986.

His first task on becoming manager was to save the club from relegation... a mission he successfully accomplished when the Hatters gained a nail-biting final day victory over Derby County at the Baseball Ground.

the season. He is a former Scottish under 21 international.

DAVID PREECE: A £150,000 signing from Walsall in December 1984, Preece celebrated his Luton debut by scoring against Aston Villa. Preece is a busy left-sided

midfield player known for his accurate and imaginative passing—assets that have earned him an England B call.

LARS ELSTRUP: A Danish international striker with a proven scoring record, he is Luton's record signing joining the club for £650,000 from Odense in August, 1989. He previously played for Ajax, the crack Amsterdam club, and such is his striking ability that he scored six goals in his first dozen international appearances for Denmark.

IAIN DOWIE: Another prolific scorer—two goals against Liverpool last week—he joined Luton from non-league Hendon for what has become a bargain £30,000 early in 1989. Before turning professional, Dowie was a development engineer with British Aerospace. However, such has been his progress at Luton that last season he won a place in Billy Bingham's Northern Ireland international plans.

KINGSLEY BLACK: He hit the headlines with his stunning performance in the 1988 Littlewoods Cup final victory over Arsenal which prompted both Billy Bingham and Bobby Robson to fight for his international services. He chose Northern Ireland and became a regular in the international side in 1988-89 which was also his first full term in the

LAST MAINE ROAD MEETING

Luton Town were visitors to Maine Road just seven days after City's 5-1 victory over Manchester United in September 1989 and were beaten 3-1 by a team brimful of confidence.

Former Hatter David Oldfield celebrated with a goal against his old team-mates after just 11 minutes, diving full length to convert David White's cross, then Paul Cooper added to his reputation as a 'penalty' specialist by denying Roy Wegerle from the spot after Ian Brightwell's challenge had felled Danny Wilson.

Kingsley Black did manage an equaliser soon after but goals from Ian Bishop (44 minutes) and Brightwell (60 minutes) gave City a comfortable win.

City: Cooper; Fleming, Hinchcliffe; Bishop, Gayle, Redmond; White, Morley, Oldfield, Brightwell, Lake (sub. McNab). Other sub: Megson.

Luton Town: Chamberlain; Breacker, Harvey; Wilson, Dreyer, Beaumont; Kennedy (sub. Johnson), Wegerle, Elstrup (sub. Cooke), Preece, Black.

Attendance: 23,863.

Luton league team. He continued to develop last season and it was his fine two-goal performance at Derby that kept Luton in the First Division last May.



Back row (l-r): Richard Cooke, Paul Gray, Marvin Johnson, Kurt Nogan, Richard Harvey, Jason Rees. Middle row (l-r): George Ley (Coach), John Moore (Coach), Julian James, Ceri Hughes, Iain Dowie, Andy Petterson, Alec Chamberlain, Graham Rodger, Darron McDonough, John Faulkner (Asst. Manager), Dave Galley (Physio). Front row (l-r): David Beaumont, Tim Breaker (now West Ham), John Dreyer (Captain), Jim Ryan (Manager), David Preece, Kingsley Black, Lars Elstrup.

Pic: courtesy Apex Photography.

Peter Gardner of the Manchester Evening News looks at the men from Kenilworth Road



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McDONALD'S "AROUND THE WORLD" COMPETITION

The draw for the winners of this competition will take place at our meeting on Sunday 17th March at the City Social Club and will be presented by a **McDonald's Restaurants'** representative.

SPONSORED TROT

Our annual Sponsored Trot takes place around the track here at Maine Road on Sunday 17th March, following a short meeting at the City Social Club.

The meeting will start as

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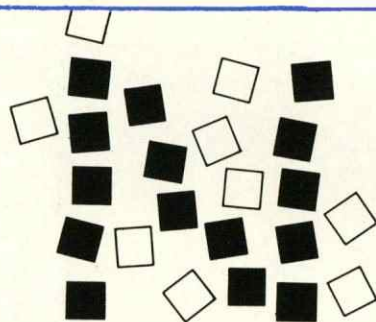
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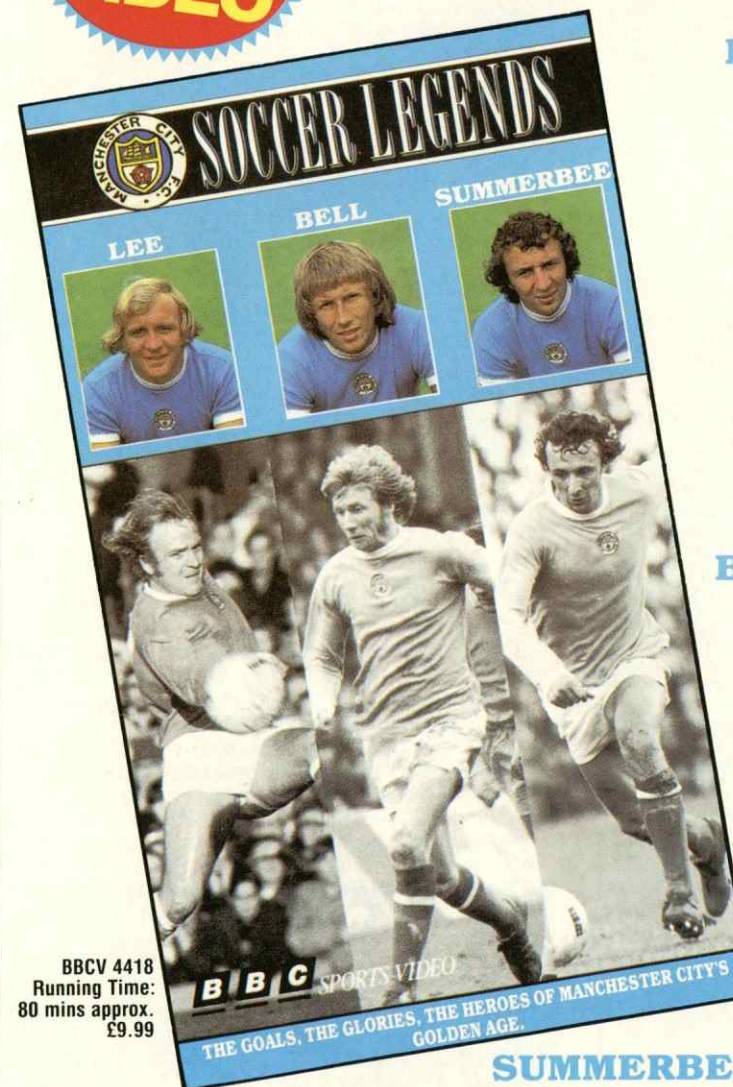
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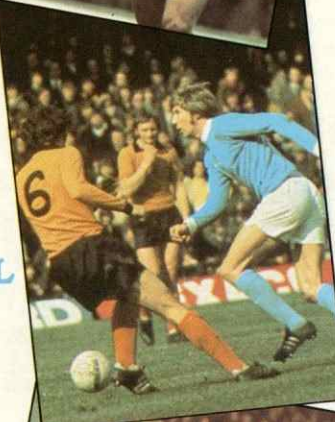
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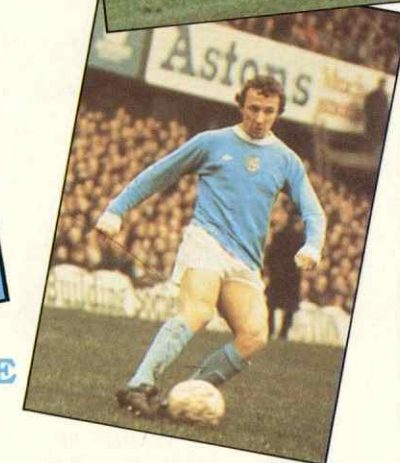
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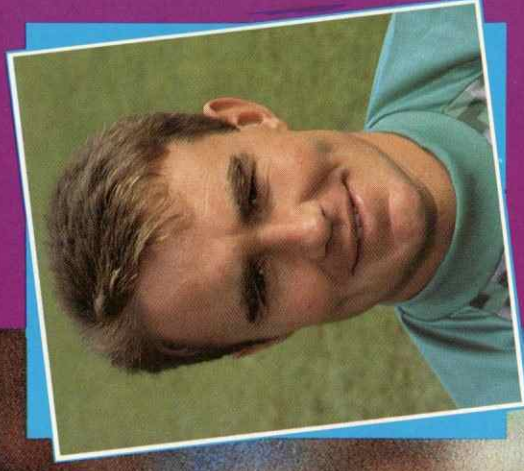
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ANDY DIBBLE

Born in Cwmbran in May 1965, he made his debut for Cardiff City in May 1982 on his 17th birthday. After 71 senior appearances for the Welsh side, he moved to Luton Town in the summer of 1984, where he contested the 'keeper spot with Les Sealey. A Welsh international, he had loan spells at Sunderland and Huddersfield Town while with the Hatters, but he will be best remembered at Kenilworth Road for his vital penalty save as Luton won the 1988 Littlewoods Cup Final. He signed for City in July 1988 for a fee of £240,000, decided by Tribunal, and was first choice goalkeeper in City's 1988/89 promotion campaign. Currently on loan with Second Division club, Middlesbrough.



LOOKING BACK

5 YEARS AGO

The disappointment of going out of the F.A. Cup was tempered by the way City disposed of QPR at Maine Road two days later. Apart from the result, a highlight was Steve Redmond's debut, a praised performance, and Baker returned after a 3-month absence. QPR elected to play with an offside trap, their initial undoing. After 8 minutes, Davies played a through ball for Lillis and the Rangers defence stood still, expecting a whistle. It never came. Lillis swept the ball into Simpson's path and the winger did the rest. This signalled an all-out attack on Hucker's net and it was a good job he was in top form, denying Lillis (twice), Reid and Simpson.

Reid's tenacity in holding off challenges brought the second City goal, scored by Davies.

The Blues' run of 5 consecutive League wins came to an unseemly end at Goodison 3 days later as Gary Lineker notched a hat-trick in Everton's 4-0 victory. McNab returned and May reverted to sub., eventually replacing Baker. Whilst time heals wounds—and Neil Pointon and Peter Reid are now forgiven for being in the home team!—it was a bitter pill to swallow at the time, heralding as it did a run of 14 League and Cup games without a win for the rest of the season.

Lineker punished Power for passing back (5 mins.), Nicky Reid for standing on the ball and losing possession (46), then Nixon for coming too far out (57). Sharp provided the other (77 mins.).

10 YEARS AGO

Derby day in Manchester, a triumph for City and MacKenzie who scored the only goal of the game. Duxbury could have put the Reds in front (10 mins.) but missed hopelessly, and the winner came 13 minutes into the second half. Bailey in United's goal must have felt there was no justice. He had just dived to stop a Bennett effort but could do nothing about MacKenzie's shot.

A mid-week fixture at Arsenal brought a 2-0 defeat and the next game saw a trip to Goodison for a pulsating Cup-tie with Everton. The home team (featuring Gidman, Hartford and Varadi) twice took the lead but then lost it. The game remained goalless until 2 minutes before the interval when the recalled Caton lost Eastoe who received Varadi's cross gratefully before haring in on Corrigan's goal to score.

But while Everton were still celebrating, a McDonald-Reeves move set Gow free and the Scot spotted McDonagh yards from his line. A beautiful lob did the rest. So, 1-1 at half-time and the stage set for another vigorous tussle. After 4 minutes Varadi tried to whip past the uncertain Caton who clutched a handful of shirt to give away a penalty. Ross made it 2-1.

City rightly earned a replay with 6 minutes left, Reeves and MacKenzie setting up Power who punished McDonagh's poor positioning.

20 YEARS AGO

City's F.A. Cup aspirations ended with Arsenal's visit, the Londoners returning home with a 2-1 win. The Gunners were great; the Blues were woeful. Overcoming the dreadfully muddy conditions, the visitors took a 17th minute lead when a short Heslop back-pass forced Corrigan to handle illegally, and George (Charlie, not Heslop) buried the free-kick easily. And it was George who increased the lead early in the second half. The City defence held a conference debating whether to play the offside trap while George galloped round them before cutting in to score.

Corrigan prevented a hat-trick after 75 minutes, this act urging Bell to reduce the arrears after Doyle had found him 20 yards out.

So it was back to the League, a visit to Upton Park bringing a point from a 0-0 draw, City's best chance of the game falling to Lee who hit a post. The Blues at least looked a confident, coherent outfit with Jeffries marking Hurst out of the game.

The following Friday night found City at Ipswich, a goalkeeping debut being awarded to Ronnie Healey. Summerbee was still unavailable, Bell too was absent, and it was again down to Lee to provide the City fans with some excitement, one of his free-kicks bringing a super Sivell save. Ipswich scored twice without reply, Mills' runs down the left flank bringing both. The first came from future-Blue Viljoen—who had already hit the bar—when he raced onto a Mick Hill header resulting from Mills' cross. Then after 62 minutes the Mills-Hill combination provided a goal for Clarke.

John Maddocks recalls events at City 5, 10 and 20 years ago.

SUPPORTERS CLUB

WELCOME

This column kicks off in the traditional manner with a warm welcome for the visiting Luton Town supporters from the officials and members of the City Supporters' Club.

Tonight's re-arranged fixture will have made it more difficult for the travelling fans to attend but nevertheless we hope that those who have made the effort will feel that the journey has been worthwhile by enjoying the facilities at Maine Road. Naturally, the home supporters will be cheering for a success for City, but we hope that the Hatters won't be too mad as they reflect on their team's performance on the return trip.

BRANCHING OUT

The interest in forming Branches continues with the off-shoot in the North East area to be recognised soon. In addition, there is strong support in Burnage, Ashton-Under-Lyne (Hurst Cross) and Blackburn. If you require any more information on these proposals, or are interested in establishing a Branch in your own locality, then the man to contact in writing is Supporters' Club secretary, Frank Horrocks, at Maine Road. Frank will also respond to individual membership enquiries.

BET IT'S A GOOD NIGHT

Social secretary Shaun Sefton will be really busy over the next few weeks. The first event Shaun will be involved in is the Grand National Draw and Race Night, which was originally due to take place on Friday 22nd March but has now been re-arranged for the following week—Maunday Thursday 28th March. The venue will remain as the City Social Club, Maine Road.

For the past few weeks, members have been hard at work selling raffle tickets to family and friends. During the course of the evening, the declared runners in the big race will be matched with some of the counterfoils which have been sold.

The rest of the evening will consist of films of American horse races for which sponsors have been obtained. The horses will be 'owned' by Branches or individuals with prizes for the winning horse. Obviously, there will also be opportunities for a bet or two along the way, so if you feel like making some money for the Easter weekend, why not book a ticket from your Branch officials.

TOO FULL FOR DINNER

The next function is the Presidents' Dinner on Friday 26th April, and its popularity is such that applications for

tickets are already well over-subscribed.

This is an occasion when Branches entertain their Presidents (usually a player, member of the management or director) to a superb meal. The entertainment this year will be in the very capable hands of local broadcaster James H. Reeve, whose presence will in part compensate for his non-attendance at the previous Dinner.

As indicated, the demand for tickets has already well exceeded the supply and you are obviously strongly advised to keep in contact with your Branch officials if you have already expressed your desire to attend the Dinner.

PLAYER OF THE YEAR

And just time for Shaun and his social committee members to draw breath before they get involved in another of the major events in the Supporters' Club diary—the Player of the Year Concert.

This will take place round about the end of the season, although the exact date cannot be fixed until City's commitments in the final weeks of the campaign are known.

It is important that applications for tickets are received in plenty of time to be processed by the Supporters' Club officials so urge your Branch representatives to apply for tickets as soon as possible.

The Supporters' Club's Press and Publicity Officer, Fred Owen, will deal with any enquiries. Contact him at 32, Brook Lane, Newton, Chester CH2 2AP. Tel: 0244 379259 (weekday evenings) or 0286 830897 (weekends).

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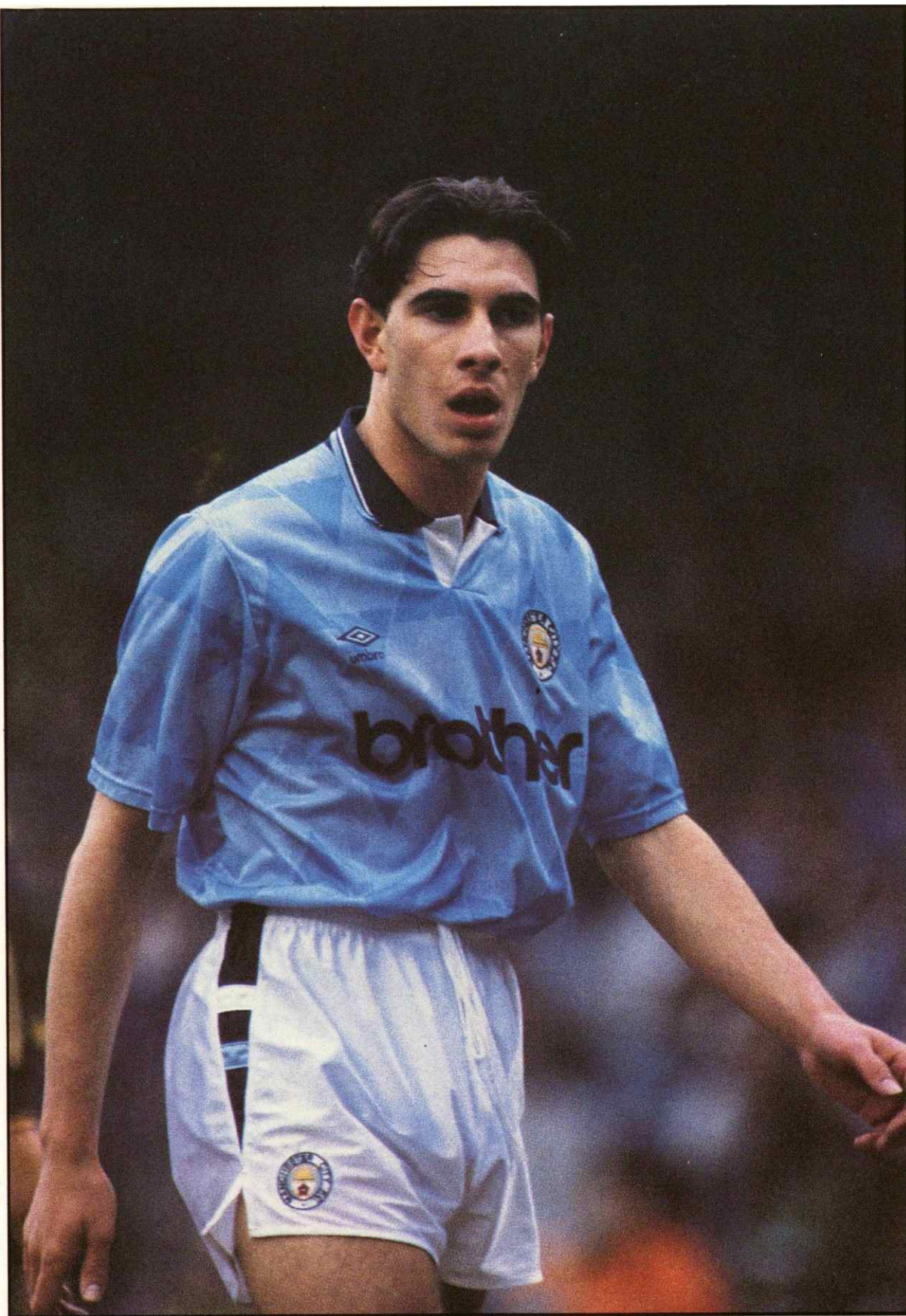
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PAUL

PAUL LAKE plans to come back next season, fitter, stronger and more powerful than ever... and speaking Spanish!

For he's now mapped out a rehabilitation programme that not only includes a summer of rigorous fitness training but will also give him a chance to study a new language.

And he's chosen Spanish. Not because he has any hankering to join the legions of British players who have pocketed a small fortune playing for clubs like Barcelona, Real Betis and Real Sociedad but simply, as he explains: "Friends have told me it's about the easiest language to learn!"

So he will shortly go out shopping for a series of tapes—ready to listen and learn as he faces a long, hard end to the season and an even tougher summer.

Paul knows he is unlikely to play again this season but he is determined to be fully recovered from his knee operation so that he can start pre-season training with the rest of the squad and fight for a place in the line-up next August.

He will be helped by a New Year resolution he has yet to break even though there must have been plenty of despairing times when he felt he couldn't keep it.

He revealed: "I promised myself that I would look at everything positively."

That wasn't easy, coming at a time when he had seen his proud ambitions for 1990-91 shattered with an innocuous stumble in the early season match against Aston Villa.

He had won the Man of the Match vote for a brilliant performance in the heart of the defence in City's opening home match of the new season against Everton.

And the then manager Howard Kendall had already made no secret of his belief that Paul was close to forcing his way into Graham Taylor's long-term England plans.

But Paul recalled: "We were playing against Aston Villa and they played the ball up to Tony Cascarino. It bounced in front of him as he was going to try and chest it. I poked it away with my right leg but as I landed, I turned to go to the left and my right leg stayed straight. I heard a click at the back of my knee and went down."

"My first thoughts were to tell myself: 'Get up, you soft so-and-so' but there was no way I could put any weight on my knee at that time."

"After an hour or so it got easier and easier and I didn't think it was going to be too much trouble."

Paul hasn't played since! He carried on working out and training but little did he know that he was simply causing further damage and eventually it was decided the only real cure would be an operation to repair the ligaments in his right knee.

He added: "Apparently for three out of ten players they don't need to face an operation. In hindsight it might have been better to have had an operation straight away but at the time we all thought I could get over it. I worked hard running up and down the terraces and everything seemed to be going well. But the first day I got the ball, it gave way. In all it let me down three times over a three day period and I decided that surgery was the only solution."

"Even now there are people who think I was kicked in a challenge from Cascarino. But I have got a picture in my head and one day I'll get the video of that game to see exactly what happened."

Finding out what really happened has been at the back of his mind. Far more important has been the fight to get over a serious operation—on December 1st.

And, so far, he is well ahead of schedule but he candidly admits: "My aim is the beginning of next season."

"I can now take my time getting the knee 100% for pre-season and I'd like to think I'll get a game on the tour of the States. My knee now is one and a half times the strength of my normal knee and I have got every confidence in it at the moment."

"I know the operation was a success and everything is going fine. Even if I got fully match fit I would only get in two or three reserve games and the season would be over. So I'm better making sure I'm right for next season."

"After this injury, touch wood, this will be my lot."

And Paul has taken the advantage of his long lay-off to build up his strength in other directions.

He has been an almost permanent guest at Lilleshall—a rehabilitation centre in Shropshire—but during the time he's not at the clinic he has been busy weightlifting in a health club in Denton.

He claims: "I have surprised one or two people at Maine Road when I've gone in and they've seen what pumping iron has done for me. Now even Tony

Coton's thinking twice about having a go at me!"

He still faces a tough struggle to regain fitness and the future agenda includes a solid two months at Lilleshall when most players will be looking towards a summer break.

He adds: "I hope to get a week's holiday with my brother Mike (who has, himself, recovered from a broken leg which hampered his professional career with Sheffield United) and a few of the lads—but most of the summer will be spent working."

He has already become a familiar face cycling around the grounds at Lilleshall where he has been convalescing for the last two months.

He admits: "It's a lot of hard work, I do two weeks there and then have a week away to let my body adjust. When April comes around I'll go there for eight weeks straight off."

During Paul's time there he's bumped into players like Ted McMinn (Derby), his former England Under-21 team-mate Buggy Burrows (Liverpool), Iain Durrant of Glasgow Rangers, Neil Simpson of Newcastle United, Dean Emerson of Coventry and one of his old City idols—Dave Bennett.

Paul recalled: "I was only a schoolboy when Dave was at City and he wouldn't have known I existed. But I can remember him on one wing and Tommy Hutch on the other. I've been knocking around with him while down there and we've had a bit of banter going between us."

"He's getting over a broken leg and hopes to get in a game or two before the end of the season. There are always players coming and going, everyone seems to use the place, although it's not easy to remember them all."

"There are seven or eight of us there now who have set our sights on next season. I have been told by my surgeon that my operation was one of the best he has done and he wasn't just saying that because I am a footballer. He was pleased with it and I can't believe how quickly I have got back into the swing."

"I only had the operation on December 1st and I was bending my knee after only a month. Some of the guys who have had the same injury had to wait five months before they could get full bend."

"I have had a major knee operation so I don't expect to walk back into the side. I might have to wait until someone else gets a minor setback but if I'm there at the start of next season, I've got to be patient even if it means waiting for my chance again."

Interview by Peter Oakes.

LAKE

1ST IMPRESSIONS

AT this stage of the season, one victory—or one defeat—does not determine the outcome of the League Championship, but Arsenal's win at Anfield on Sunday may prove to be of considerable significance as the title race enters the last few furlongs.

Paul Merson's 66th minute winning goal has given the Gunners a three point lead at the top of the table and once again they showed their defensive quality, maintaining a "clean sheet" for the 22nd time this season. Strengthened by the return of Tony Adams, George Graham's men are now the bookmakers' favourites, with Liverpool still recovering from the shock resignation of Kenny Dalglish and none of the other clubs in the top half of the table managing a win last Saturday.

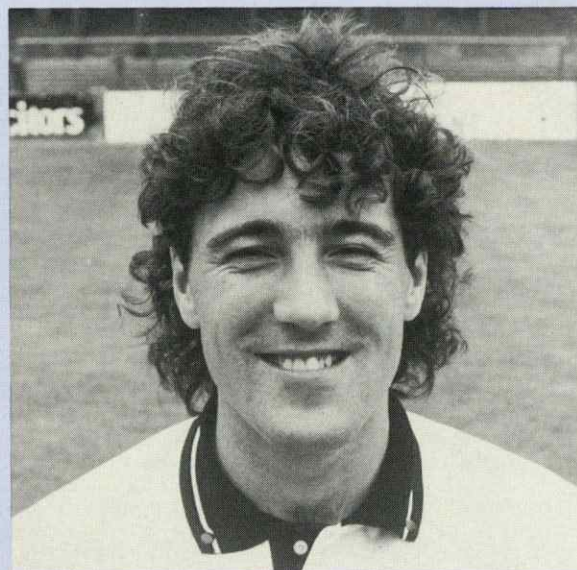
Third placed Crystal Palace were fancied to add to their fine away record with a trip to struggling Coventry—their seven away wins was the best in Division

One prior to last weekend—but the Midlands took three vital points in their battle to haul themselves out of the relegation zone. Trevor Peake moved forward to give Coventry the lead after 36 minutes and his defensive partner Brian Kilcline added a second with a dipping free kick soon after the interval. The game was beyond Palace when Kilcline scored again after 67 minutes and Ian Wright's goal four minutes from time was of consolation value only. "Perhaps I should play them both up front next week" quipped player-manager Terry Butcher.

Leeds United had an unusual experience last Saturday—they played a League fixture! The team which has had an amazing 11 Cup ties in 1991 played only their second League game since mid-January, but the return to League action was not to their liking. Southampton, even without Matthew Le Tissier, were soon in control at the Dell, Paul Rideout putting the home side ahead inside 10 minutes and Glenn Cockerill added an impudent second, lobbing the ball over Leed's John Lukic with quarter of an hour left.

At the other end of the table, there is a frantic scramble for survival, best typified by the efforts of Sheffield United.

Apparently sunk without trace before Christmas, they have mounted an amazing revival with eight wins out of their last eleven fixtures. A last minute goal from Brian Marwood gave them victory at Everton ten days ago, Manchester United were



Dean Saunders—inspired a Derby County fightback last Saturday.

beaten at Bramall Lane last mid-week thanks to goals from Brian Deane and ex-City striker Carl Bradshaw, and the Blades moved out of the two relegation positions for the first time since early September with a 2-1 win over Aston Villa on Saturday. Ian Bryson opened the scoring after 49 minutes, pouncing on a defensive mistake to drill the ball past Spink but Derek Mountfield headed an equaliser within seven minutes. Not to be outdone, however, Brian Deane hit the winning goal six minutes later, maintaining United's 100% League record since they lost 2-0 at Maine Road in January.

The bottom two places are now occupied by Sunderland and Derby County, who shared six

goals at the Baseball ground three days ago. Gordon Armstrong, Marco Gabbiadini and Kevin Ball put the visitors 3-0 up in the first 25 minutes but their hopes of a vital away win were dashed by a Dean Saunders hat-trick. The Welsh international struck twice before half-time to give the Rams hope for the second half and then he won (and converted) a penalty after 76 minutes, Sunderland 'keeper Tony Norman fouling Saunders as he closed in on goal. The draw gave Derby only their fourth point in three months and now they are in danger of losing contact with the group of teams above them, all of whom are desperately striving for points to avoid relegation.

TOP GOALSCORERS

Leading marksmen in the First Division are:—

Roy Wegerle (Q.P.R.)	14
Lars Elstrup (Luton Town)	13
John Fashanu (Wimbledon)	13
Matthew Le Tissier (Southampton)	13
Gary Lineker (Tottenham Hotspur)	13
Dean Saunders (Derby County)	13

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PUZZLE PAGE

Congratulations to Jack Fearnhead from Sale, Julie Burgess who lives in Bury and Andrew Demaine from Cheadle Heath, the winners in our Puzzle Page No. 13 crossword, who all receive tickets for this evening's game.

The prizes on offer for correct solutions to tonight's Crossword Puzzle are three pairs of Main Stand tickets for the City v. Wimbledon fixture at Maine Road on Saturday, 16th March.

Send your entries to: **Puzzle Page No. 15, M.C.F.C., Maine Road, Moss Side, Manchester M14 7WN** to arrive no later than Monday, 11th March.

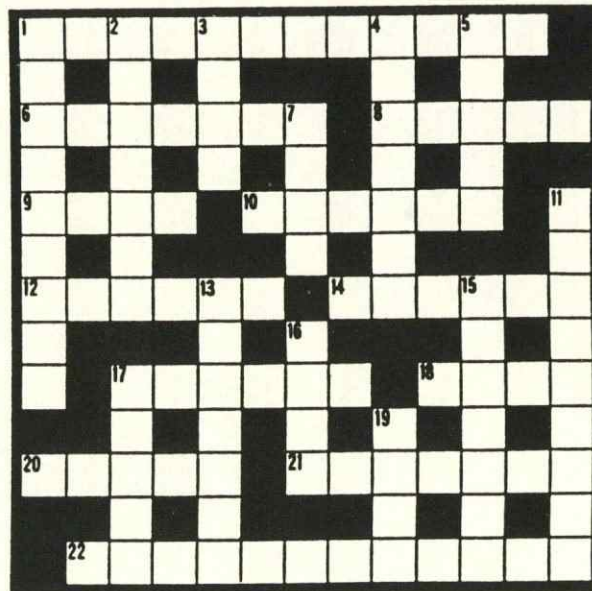
The first three correct entries drawn out will each receive two Main Stand tickets for the Wimbledon fixture.

ACROSS:

1. The Englishman with more International caps than anyone else (5,7).
6. and his current League club's nickname (3,4).
8. Where the Wearsiders 'Park' themselves (5).
9. Gary—sold by the Blues to West Brom in May 1979 (4).
10. First or second class for the scorer of two extra time goals in the 1946 F.A. Cup Final (6).
12. Lay comfortably—as a ball should do in the back of a net (6).
14. Teaches, coaches—and supporters often travel on them to matches (6).
17. Brendon was a talented defender at The Hawthorns in the late 70's and early '80s now works with the PFA (6).
18. Do the Italian fans celebrate victory with this sparkling wine? (4).
20. Sounds like City's David, but is in fact Leeds' Chris (5).
21. Guarding the area between the goalposts (7).
22. Arsenal's big money signing from Norwich last summer (4,8).

DOWN:

1. Currently the Republic's No. 1 (3,6).

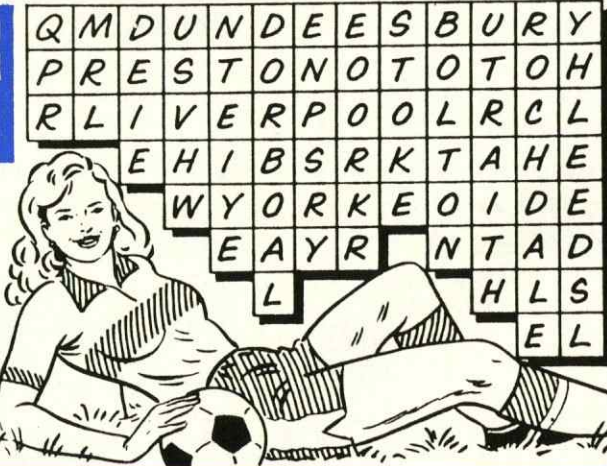


Compiled by Fred Owen.

2. Stinging description by which the Griffin Park club is known (3,4).
3. It's Easter for Hibernian (4).
4. Peter was a real hot-shot for the Leeds glory side (7).
5. Alan pulled on the sky-blue shirt more than anyone else has done (5).
7. Ironically, what a spectator normally does in the 'Stands' (4).
11. Giving advice, or the ball to a colleague, maybe (7,2).
13. Bet it is descriptive of a cup tie where the weather plays a major part in the outcome (7).
15. Town where ex-City captain Brian Gayle now plays (7).
16. Tony, the last man to lift the F.A. Cup for the Blues (4).
17. This Gunn protects the Canaries (5).
19. These finals are between the last four survivors in a cup competition. (4).

SOCCER GIRL

CROSS OUT THE THIRTEEN CLUBS HIDDEN IN THE GRID AND THE LETTERS THAT REMAIN WILL SPELL OUT SOCCER GIRL'S FAVOURITE TEAM.



The answer to Soccer Girl appears on City Factfile.

Dibble Travels Again

Blues' keeper Andy Dibble, who had a similar spell at Aberdeen earlier in the season, is currently on a month's loan at Second Division Middlesbrough, though he is on a 24-hour recall should he be needed back at Maine Road.

Peter Reid reckons that the experience will be useful for the 25 year-old Welshman:-

"There is nothing like first-team action to keep a player sharp and I'm sure Andy will do well while he is at Ayresome Park" said the Blues' player-manager.

"We've got two top quality goalkeepers in Tony Coton and Andy Dibble and obviously someone has to be left out, but Andy has acted like the true professional he is, despite his disappointment."

Puzzle Page Solutions

Answers to our Puzzle Page No. 11 crossword, which appeared in the City v. Crystal Palace match magazine, are as follows:-

Across: 1. Save a penalty, 6. Bankers, 8. Barry, 9. Best, 10. Maroon, 12. Ninian, 14. Barrie, 17. Bright, 18. Imre, 20. Young, 21. Plastic, 22. Terry Butcher.

Down: 1. Subs bench, 2. Venison, 3. Alex, 4. Agboola, 5. Turin, 7. Sear, 11. Joe Mercer, 13. A winger, 15. Re match, 16. Chap, 17. Bruce, 19. Hart.

The solution to our Puzzle Page No. 12 crossword, which appeared in the City v. Arsenal match magazine on New Year's Day, is as follows:-

Across: 7. Harper, 8. Sporty, 10. Arsenal, 11. Eddie, 12. Eric, 13. Antic, 17. Champ, 18. Vava, 22. Luton, 23. Terrier, 24. Merson, 25. Way out.

Down: 1. Shearer, 2. Drastic, 3. Deane, 4. Speedie, 5. Pride, 6. Hysen, 9. Alan Smith, 14. Shinton, 15. Davison, 16. Barrett, 19. Climb, 20. Start, 21. Brian.

And finally, the answers to our Puzzle Page No. 13 crossword, which appeared in the City v. Sheffield United match magazine are:-

Across: 1. Mick McCarthy, 6. Lineker, 8. Strip, 9. Norm, 10. Fairly, 12. Oldham, 14. Cooper, 17. Madden, 18. Boss, 20. Goram, 21. Provoke, 22. Andy Townsend.

Down: 1. McLintock, 2. Centred, 3. Mike, 4. Rosario, 5. Harry, 7. Road, 11. Gary Speed, 13. Andy May, 15. Promote, 16. Keep, 17. Moran, 19. Town.

FOOTBALL AND THE COMMUNITY

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Our under 11's Five-a-Side Football Competition took place at the Arcadia Sports Centre a fortnight ago and the 32 hopefuls were eventually whittled down to two finalists, the Dukinfield Tigers and Woodhouse Park. The Tigers came away with a clear 4-0 victory, and a special thank you must go out to the sponsors of the competition, the Caribbean Re-Union Club, and due to the success of the Tournament we hope to make it an annual affair.

The next project for the Community Scheme will be a Soccer School for children aged between 7-16 years old, taking place over the Easter period at the Platt Lane Training Complex. Full details will be issued in the next Match Magazine but if you would like further information, please contact me on the above number during office hours.

Recent victories over Vernon Carus and Chorley has ensured that the Manchester City Ladies football team promotion chase is gaining momentum and their 100th League goal since the team was founded was scored by Michelle Brady.

Don't forget, all support is appreciated, so why not give us a ring for full details of the Ladies team's fixtures.

Alex Williams, Supervisor.



City's Mascot

Welcome to 11-year-old Marlon Solomon who will lead his heroes out before tonight's game with Luton Town.

Marlon attends Castlebrook High School in Unsworth and he lists his favourite players as Andy Dibble and Peter Reid.

The lucky lad's special treat is courtesy of his dad, Mark, who has apparently been even more excited about tonight than Marlon, and we thank all the Solomon family for their support.

GOLDEN GOAL—WIN £50 FOR TONIGHT'S FIRST GOAL

WINNING TIMES:—Saturday, 9th February, 1991 v. CHELSEA

FIRST GOAL: 0811 seconds FIRST CORNER: 0082 seconds

Check your match magazine from our fixture versus Chelsea to see if either of the above times corresponds with your number. Remember, if you've got the correct time of the FIRST GOAL you will win £50, and if you have the identical time of the FIRST CORNER you can claim £5.

This evening you have another chance to win more cash prizes and all you need to participate is a copy of tonight's Match Magazine. The number below is your Golden Goal time and if it corresponds with the time of the First Goal or First Corner kick, then you should make a claim with this page.

The only time to count will be announced by the Club's official time-keeper. It will be displayed on the Electronic Scoreboard at the Platt Lane end of the ground and it will also be published in the next edition of the Match Magazine to enable fans to make a late claim.

If the game ends in a 0-0 draw, then the First Goal winners will be those Match Magazine holders with 0000 showing as their time.

All claims should be sent immediately to **GOLDEN GOAL No. 16, Manchester City F.C., Maine Road, Moss Side, Manchester M14 7WN** or call with this page at the Club Offices, Monday to Friday.

(No correspondence will be entered into on the Golden Goal competition).

CLAIMS CANNOT BE ACCEPTED WITHOUT THIS PAGE.

YOUR TIME:

Golden Goal No. 16 v. LUTON TOWN, Tuesday, 5th March, 1991.



FACTFILE

SEASON 1990/91

BARCLAYS LEAGUE DIVISION ONE

	P	W	D	L	F	A	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
*Arsenal	26	10	2	0	30	5	7	6	1	18	7	57
Liverpool	26	10	2	1	30	8	6	4	3	17	15	54
Crystal Palace	27	7	4	1	17	12	7	3	5	18	18	49
Leeds United	25	8	2	2	26	11	4	5	4	12	15	43
*Manchester United	26	7	3	4	23	13	4	5	3	15	16	40
Wimbledon	27	7	5	3	24	16	3	5	4	17	18	40
Tottenham Hotspur	26	7	5	2	27	16	3	4	5	10	17	39
Manchester City	25	8	1	3	20	14	2	7	4	16	19	38
Chelsea	27	8	5	1	22	14	2	2	9	18	30	37
Norwich City	26	7	1	5	21	23	3	3	7	11	19	34
Everton	27	7	3	4	21	11	2	3	8	11	20	33
Southampton	26	5	3	4	20	16	3	5	6	19	21	32
Luton Town	26	6	3	3	21	13	2	2	10	17	34	29
Aston Villa	25	5	6	0	16	8	1	4	9	11	20	28
Coventry City	26	5	3	3	21	14	1	2	9	5	17	28
Q.P.R.	27	5	3	5	19	17	2	4	8	13	27	28
Sheffield United	27	6	2	6	16	17	2	2	9	8	26	28
Sunderland	27	5	4	4	12	10	1	4	9	17	30	26
Derby County	26	2	8	4	16	21	2	0	10	8	25	20

*Arsenal 2pts deducted, Man Utd 1 pt deducted.

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DIVISION ONE ATTENDANCES

Av. home League attendance 1989/90		Av. home League attendance 1990/91	Av. Gain or Loss
33,672	Arsenal	36,410	+ 2,738
25,536	Aston Villa	26,334	+ 798
21,802	Chelsea	21,371	- 431
14,292	Coventry City	14,103	- 189
17,324	Crystal Palace	19,729	+ 2,405
17,541	Derby County	16,825	- 716
26,353	Everton	27,016	+ 663
28,198	Leeds United	28,860	+ 662
36,876	Liverpool	36,039	- 837
9,872	Luton Town	10,217	+ 345
27,975	Manchester City	28,449	+ 474
38,979	Manchester United	44,166	+ 5,187
16,737	Norwich City	15,406	- 1,331
20,606	Nottingham Forest	21,431	+ 825
13,190	Queens Park Rangers	14,322	+ 1,132
17,008	Sheffield United	21,061	+ 4,053
16,494	Southampton	16,640	+ 146
17,779	Sunderland	23,043	+ 5,264
26,465	Tottenham Hotspur	31,806	+ 5,341
7,649	Wimbledon	7,394	- 255

• Substitute ★ Star man x Booked player

1990	Opponents	Result	Pos	Attend	1
Aug. 25	Tottenham Hotspur	1-3	—	33,501	Coton D
Sept. 1	EVERTON	1-0	14	31,456	Coton
Sept. 5	ASTON VILLA	2-1	6	30,199	Dibble★x
Sept. 8	Sheffield United	1-1	8	21,895	Coton
Sept. 15	NORWICH CITY	2-1	5	26,247	Coton
Sept. 22	Chelsea	1-1	6	20,924	Coton★
Sept. 26	Torquay United (RLC2 1st leg)	4-0	—	5,429	Coton
Sept. 29	Wimbledon	1-1	7	6,158	Coton★
Oct. 6	COVENTRY CITY	2-0	5	26,198	Coton
Oct. 10	TORQUAY UTD. (RLC2 2nd leg)	0-0	—	12,204	Coton
Oct. 20	Derby County	1-1	5	17,884	Coton
Oct. 27	MANCHESTER UNITED	3-3	5	36,427	Coton
Oct. 30	ARSENAL (RLC3)	1-2	—	26,825	Coton
Nov. 3	Sunderland	1-1	5	23,137	Coton
Nov. 11	LEEDS UNITED	2-3	6	27,782	Coton
Nov. 17	Luton Town	2-2	7	9,564	Coton
Nov. 24	Liverpool	2-2	6	37,849	Dibble
Dec. 1	QUEENS PARK RANGERS	2-1	6	25,080	Dibble
Dec. 15	TOTTENHAM HOTSPUR	2-1	6	31,236	Coton
Dec. 19	MIDDLESBROUGH (ZDSC2)	2-1	—	6,406	Coton
Dec. 22	CRYSTAL PALACE	0-2	8	25,321	Coton
Dec. 26	Southampton	1-2	8	16,029	Coton
Dec. 29	Nottingham Forest	3-1	7	24,937	Coton
1991					
Jan. 1	ARSENAL	0-1	7	30,579	Coton
Jan. 6	Burnley (FAC3)	1-0	—	20,331	Coton
Jan. 13	Everton	0-2	10	22,774	Coton★
Jan. 19	SHEFFIELD UNITED	2-0	8	25,741	Coton
Jan. 22	Sheffield United (ZDSC3)	2-0	—	5,106	Coton
Jan. 26	Port Vale (FAC4)	2-1	—	19,132	Coton★
Feb. 2	Norwich City	2-1	8	15,914	Coton
Feb. 9	CHELSEA	2-1	7	25,116	Coton
Feb. 16	Notts County (FAC5)	0-1	—	18,979	Coton
Feb. 20	Leeds United (ZDSC4)	0-2	—	11,898	Coton★
Mar. 2	Queens Park Rangers	0-1	8	12,376	Coton
Mar. 5	LUTON TOWN				H
Mar. 9	LIVERPOOL				H
Mar. 16	WIMBLEDON				H
Mar. 23	Coventry City				A
Mar. 30	SOUTHAMPTON				H
Apr. 1	Crystal Palace				A
Apr. 6	NOTTINGHAM FOREST				H
Apr. 10	Leeds United				A
Apr. 13	Arsenal				A
Apr. 20	DERBY COUNTY				H
Apr. 24	Aston Villa				A
May 4	Manchester United				A
May 11	SUNDERLAND				H

CITY GOALSCORERS

	B.L.	F.A.	R.L.C.	Z.D.S.C.	Total
Niall Quinn	10	1	—	1	12
Mark Ward	8	—	—	2	10
David White	8	—	—	1	9
Clive Allen	1	1	2	—	4
Colin Hendry	1	1	1	—	3
Steve Redmond	2	—	—	—	2
Alan Harper	1	—	1	—	2
Mark Brennan	1	—	—	—	1
Wayne Clarke	1	—	—	—	1
Adrian Heath	1	—	—	—	1
Gary Megson	1	—	—	—	1
Neil Pointon	1	—	—	—	1
Jason Beckford	—	—	1	—	1

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Brightwell	Pointon	Harper	Hendry	Reid	White	Lake★	Quinn	Heath 1	M. Ward	Redmond	Allen
Brightwell	Pointon 1x	Brennan D	Hendry	Reid	White	Lake	Quinn	Heath	M. Ward 1 (pen)	Redmond (56)	Allen
Brightwell	Pointon	Redmond★	Hendry	Reid	White 1x	Harper	Quinn	Heath	M. Ward	Brennan	Allen (85)
Brightwell	Pointon	Redmond	Hendry	Reid	White	Harper	Quinn 1★	Heath	M. Ward	Brennan 1 (19)	Allen (75)
Brightwell	Pointon x	Redmond	Hendry	Reid	White	Harper	Quinn	Heath	M. Ward 1 (pen)	Brennan (60)	Allen (77)
Brightwell	Pointon	Harper 1	Hendry 1	Redmond★	M. Ward	Allen 1	Quinn	Brennan	Heath	Beckford 1 (62)	White
Brightwell	Pointon	Harper	Hendry	Redmond	White	Heath	Quinn	Brennan	M. Ward	Beckford (75)	Allen 1 (54)
Brightwell	Pointon	Reid	Hendry	Redmond	White	Heath	Quinn 1★	Harper 1	M. Ward	Brennan (87)	Allen (74)
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Harper	Pointon	Reid	Hendry 1	Redmond	White 2★	Heath	Quinn	Megson	M. Ward	Brightwell (78)	Allen
Harper	Pointon	Reid★	Hendry	Redmond	White	Heath	Quinn★	Megson	M. Ward	Brightwell (77)	Allen 1 (62)
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Brightwell x	Pointon★	Harper	Hendry	Redmond 1	White 1	Heath	Quinn	Megson	M. Ward x	Brennan (89)	Allen
Brightwell	Pointon	Reid	Hendry	Redmond★	White	Heath	Quinn 1	Megson	M. Ward 1 (pen)	Harper	Allen (87)
Brightwell	Pointon	Reid	Hendry	Redmond	White	Heath	Quinn 2	Megson★	M. Ward	Harper	Allen
Brightwell	Pointon	Reid★	Hendry	Redmond 1	White	Heath	Quinn	Megson	M. Ward 1 (pen)	Harper	Clarke (75)
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Brightwell	Pointon	Reid	Hendry	Redmond★	White	Clarke	Quinn	Megson	M. Ward	Harper	Hill
Brightwell	Pointon★	Reid	Hendry 1	Redmond	White	Clarke	Harper	Megson	M. Ward	Brennan	Allen (60)
Brightwell	Pointon	Reid	Hendry	Redmond	White	Heath	Quinn	Megson	M. Ward	Harper (64)	Allen (45)
Brightwell	Pointon	Reid★	Hendry	Redmond x	White	Allen	Quinn	Megson	M. Ward 2	Harper	Heath
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Brightwell	Pointon	Harper★	Hendry	Redmond	White	Allen	Quinn	Megson	M. Ward	Brennan	Heath (89)
Brightwell	Pointon	Harper	Hendry	Redmond	White	Allen	Quinn	Megson	M. Ward	Brennan	Heath (94)
Brightwell	Pointon	Reid	Hendry★	Redmond	White	Heath	Quinn	Megson	M. Ward	Harper (48)	Allen (66)

ANSWER TO PUZZLE
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NEXT AT MAINE ROAD

Saturday,
9th March
Barclays League
Division One
CITY
versus
LIVERPOOL
Kick-off: 3.00 p.m.

Tuesday,
12th March
Pontin's League
Division One
CITY RES.
versus
ASTON VILLA RES.
Kick-off: 6.45 p.m.

TRAVELLING BLUES

Barclays League Division One
Saturday, March 23rd, 1991
v. **COVENTRY CITY** at Highfield Road
(kick off: 3.00 p.m.)

Route: Take A56/A556 or Princess Road (A5103/M56/A556) to intersection 19, the M6 at Tabley. Follow M6 southbound to intersection 2, junction with the A4600 and proceed along the A4600 towards Coventry for approximately 3 miles. Pass under railway bridge and turn right off the A4600 (Walsgrove Road) into Swan Lane for Highfield Road Stadium.

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IN RESERVE

Then Dibble's finest moments followed. He did well to collect a deflection off John Wills' body after a Hyde drive, then got down swiftly to rob Kitson of a second goal, Peters following up well to make sure the ball went out for a corner. Finally with 5 minutes left, Andy made an excellent reflex save from Peake's blistering shot which at that stage could well have sealed the game in the visitors' favour.

City: Dibble; Peters, Wills; Wilson, Dave Brightwell, Quigley; Beckford, Sheron, Clarke, Brennan, Hughes. Subs: Dyer and Flitcroft.

Pontin's League Division One
Tuesday, 22nd January, 1991

CITY RESERVES 1... LEICESTER CITY RESERVES 1

Our Reserves extended their unbeaten run with a 1-1 draw against a battling Leicester side, but we had Andy Dibble to thank for preserving our record. Andy made several first-class saves under severe pressure in the second half and was a thorn in Leicester's side!

The first half is easily forgotten. From an attacking point of view it was a sterile affair, neither 'keeper having a direct shot to save until just before the break, so much on top were the defences. It was good to see our back four in such a commanding mood but up front we were too easily frustrated. Mark Peters and Dave Brightwell in particular formed a solid partnership in the middle of the defence, while Darren Wilson found time to embark on several foraging runs which unhappily came to nothing.

The nearest we came to scoring was after a smooth move involving Brightwell, Mike Sheron and Jason Beckford, playing in his first game since his hernia operation, but an offside flag put paid to that one. Then Dibble's bravery in the 44th minute foiled Ian Barrowclough as he dashed out of the 6-yard box to block a shot following a Paul Reid free-kick.

We got more into the game in the second half and forced several corners. After 53 minutes Martin Hodge got down well to save a Sheron left-foot effort that was creeping in and then Leicester went in front 5 minutes later, a cross from the right evading Peters and Dibble for Paul Kitson to pick his spot against the run of play. Vernon Peake almost increased our deficit shortly afterwards with a diving header, but it went wide.

After 71 minutes we drew level. Mark Brennan's corner got a flick-on from Mike Quigley only for Gary Hyde to handle on the goal-line. Michael Hughes made no mistake with the penalty, our first of the season to be scored from the spot, and the Irish youngster edged in front in the club's Reserves scoring stakes by notching his 7th goal.

Pontin's League Division One
Tuesday, 29th January, 1991

CITY RESERVES 1... NEWCASTLE UTD. RESERVES 0

A further double was achieved this season as we continued our climb up the table. Having beaten Newcastle at St. James' 4-0—our best ever Reserves victory against them away—it was nice to complete the job at home if only by a solitary goal.

The game began in a lively fashion, United forcing two corners early on, then Gary Flitcroft, fed by Michael Hughes, had a fine shot well saved by Pavel Srnicek. Darren Wilson put in a couple of good runs, linking in a promising way with Jason Beckford, but strong defending robbed us of any material gain. After 24 minutes, Andy Dibble did well under pressure from Andy Hunt to catch a nastily bouncing ball, and 2 minutes later we were in front.

Jason Beckford took our first corner of the game, Hughes had a shot blocked on the line, and Clive Allen had no difficulty in improving his goal tally. The game then settled back into a midfield battle but Dibble was forced into a brilliant save from Lee Clarke just before the break.

Just as in the previous game, we piled on more pressure early in the second half but failed to add to the scoreline. Srnicek cut out some telling

PONTIN'S LEAGUE

Aug. 27—Sheffield United	3-1
Sep. 3—Aston Villa	0-1
Sep. 10—Leicester City	1-1
Sep. 18—Nottingham Forest	1-3
Sep. 27—Derby County	0-1
Oct. 3—Rotherham United	0-4
Oct. 10—Blackburn Rovers	2-2
Oct. 16—Huddersfield Town	2-2
Oct. 24—Sunderland	4-6
Nov. 1—Rotherham United	1-3
Nov. 6—Everton	2-0
Nov. 17—Manchester United	2-2
Nov. 20—Liverpool	0-2
Dec. 4—Wolverhampton W.	1-2
Dec. 12—Newcastle United	4-0
1991	
Jan. 8—Sheffield United	4-2
Jan. 17—Nottingham Forest	3-2
Jan. 22—Leicester City	1-1
Jan. 29—Newcastle United	1-0
Feb. 9—Manchester United	1-0
Feb. 19—Everton	2-0
Feb. 26—Sheffield Wednesday	1-5
Mar. 5—Liverpool	A
Mar. 12—Aston Villa	H
Mar. 19—Leeds United	H
Mar. 26—Coventry City	A
Apr. 3—Leeds United	A
Apr. 9—Coventry City	H
Apr. 11—Wolverhampton Wanderers	A
Apr. 16—Derby County	A
Apr. 25—Sunderland	H
Apr. 30—Blackburn Rovers	H
May 8—Huddersfield Town	A
To be arranged—Sheffield Wednesday	A

cross balls and firmly held a Beckford effort. United used their two subs. mid-way through the second half, former Manchester United player Liam O'Brien going off with a nasty facial injury, but the changes didn't alter the flow of the game. We continued to press forward, Allen looking likely to get another, and Neil Simpson was lucky in the current climate to receive only a yellow card when he brought down Hughes.

The visitors went down to 10 men when Darren Bradshaw left the pitch with 8 minutes left, but Newcastle defended well to keep the score down to Allen's solitary strike.

City: Dibble; Hill, Wills; Peters, Dave Brightwell, Wilson; Beckford, Allen, Clarke, Flitcroft, Hughes. Subs: Sheron and Dyer.



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NEXT HOME GAME

Barclays League Division One Saturday, 9th March, 1991 CITY v. LIVERPOOL (kick-off: 3.00 p.m.)

Champions Liverpool provide the opposition at Maine Road on Saturday, with the Merseysiders reeling from a series of recent blows. The resignation of Kenny Dalglish, the loss of the League leadership to Arsenal, F.A. Cup exit at the hands of neighbours Everton, the retirement of Alan Hansen and last Sunday's home defeat by Arsenal have plunged Liverpool into the sort of crisis normally experienced only by less successful clubs.

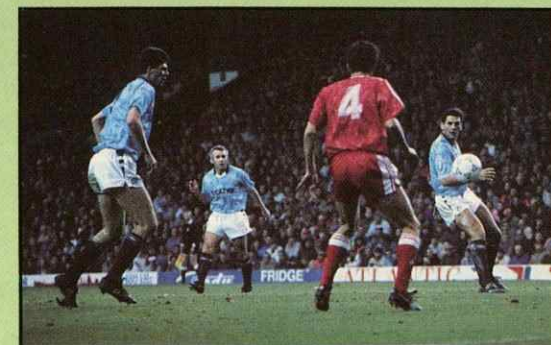
But Alan Hansen sounded a note of caution for anyone thinking the Liverpool bubble had burst: "Every year I've been at Liverpool, people outside the club have talked of a crisis. All this team needs is the bounce of the ball and a bit of confidence."

STAR MEN IN THE LINE-UP

In John Barnes, Peter Beardsley and Ian Rush, the Reds have a trio of attacking players capable of opening up any defence. Throughout the rest of the line-up, Liverpool have assembled a squad of considerable talent and experience with no fewer than 14 full internationals on their books.

TICKET DETAILS

THIS MATCH IS ALL TICKET IN THE SEATING AREAS. All seats are now sold in the centre of the Main and North stands.



A very limited number of seat tickets, priced £11.00 are available in the Main Stand and a limited number priced £8.00 in the North Stand.

All seats in the M.E.N. Family Stand are sold out. A limited number of tickets remain in 'J' Block. (Adults £8.00, Juniors/O.A.P.'s £5.50).

Once the Main and North Stand ticket sales have been exhausted, a limited number of obstructed view seats, priced £8.00 in the Main Stand and £6.00 in the North Stand, will be available.

Personal, postal and Dial-A-Seat credit card bookings will be accepted.

Admission to the Kippax Street Stand is by cash payment at the turnstiles (Adults £6.00, Juniors/O.A.P.'s £4.00) along with their valid membership card.

TICKET OFFICE NEWS

Saturday, 16th March, 1991 CITY v. WIMBLEDON (kick-off: 3.00 p.m.)

Main Stand seat tickets, priced £10.00 and North Stand seat tickets, priced £7.00, are now available.

A very limited number of M.E.N. Family Stand seat tickets (Adults/O.A.P.'s £5.00, Juniors £3.00) will also be available up until 5.00 p.m. on Friday, 15th March, if tickets remain.

Personal, postal and Dial-A-Seat credit card bookings will be accepted.

Saturday, 23rd March, 1991 COVENTRY CITY v. CITY (kick-off: 3.00 p.m.)

A limited number of covered seat tickets, priced £9.50, will be available on OPEN SALE from 9.30 a.m. on Saturday, 9th March. At the same time a limited number of uncovered seat tickets, priced £7.00, will be available on OPEN SALE.

Admission to the standing area is by payment of £6.00 at the turnstiles on the day.

Personal, postal and Dial-A-Seat credit card bookings will be accepted.

Saturday, 30th March, 1991 CITY v. SOUTHAMPTON (kick-off: 3.00 p.m.)

Main Stand seat tickets, priced £10.00 and North Stand seat tickets, priced £7.00, will be available from 9.30 a.m. on Saturday, 16th March.

A very limited number of M.E.N. Family Stand seat tickets (Adults/O.A.P.'s £5.00, Juniors £3.00) will also be available while tickets remain.

Personal, postal and Dial-A-Seat credit card bookings will be accepted.

Monday, 1st April, 1991 CRYSTAL PALACE v. CITY (kick-off: 3.00 p.m.)

THIS MATCH IS ALL TICKET.

A limited number of seat tickets, priced £10.00 and standing tickets, priced £7.00, will be available on OPEN SALE from 9.30 a.m. on Saturday 16th March.

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NEIL POINTON	3	JULIAN JAMES
PETER REID	4	DAVID BEAUMONT
COLIN HENDRY	5	GRAHAM RODGER
STEVE REDMOND (Capt)	6	JOHN DRYER (Capt)
DAVID WHITE	7	LARS ELSTRUP
ADRIAN HEATH	8	DAVID PREECE
NIAL QUINN	9	IAIN DOWIE
GARY MEGSON	10	MARK PEMBRIDGE
MARK WARD	11	KINGSLEY BLACK



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