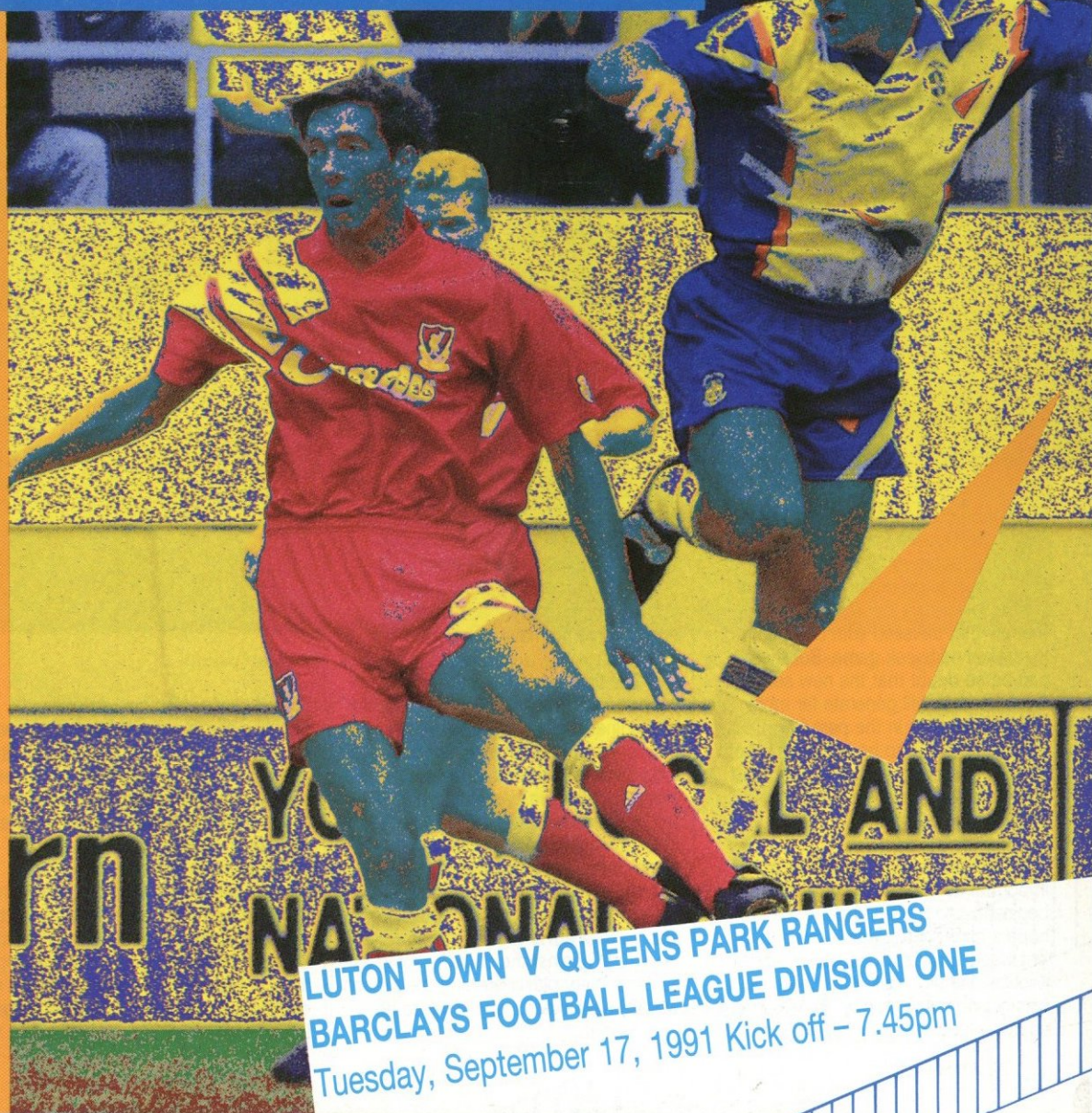


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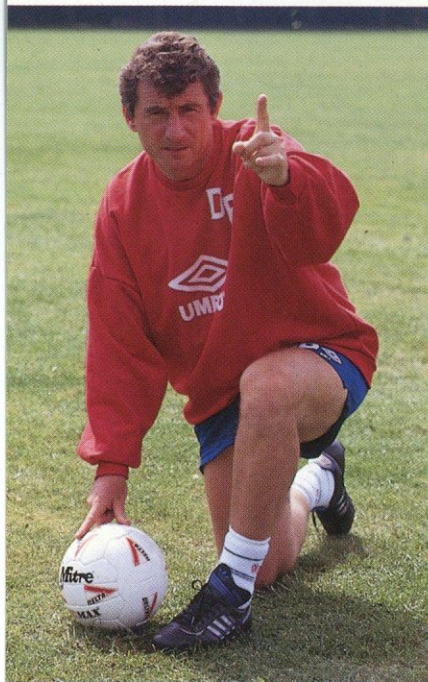
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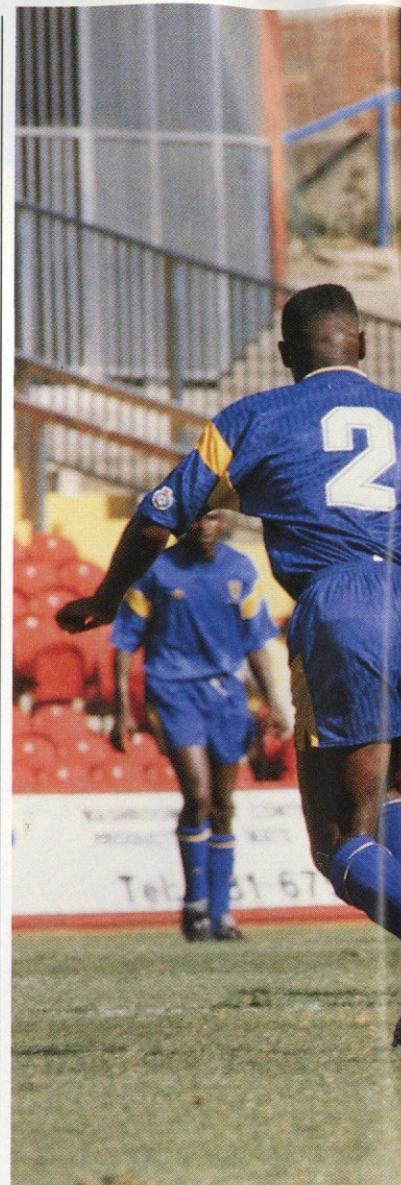
"We know Michael Harford's qualities...He is a committed player who has become regarded as one of the finest headers of a ball in English football and whose first touch is as good, if not better than that of the England centre-forward"

Tonight we give a warm welcome to Queens Park Rangers, their supporters, players and officials. It is to be hoped that more of their followers are backing them than the few that travelled with Southampton in our last midweek game. But there can be no doubt that the new seating arrangements will generate far more atmosphere than in the past few seasons and it is to be hoped that both sides will respond to that support and as a consequence the standard of football will be better.

The next few weeks will be quite important as our newly constructed side begins to find a playing pattern and I hope a harmony. Towards the end of last week, I made a decision to invite Michael Harford back into our ranks. It was not an easy decision because I am as aware as anyone behind the scenes

at Luton of the need to be prudent in all our trading. The price which Derby County demanded was a little more than I had hoped to pay. But Arthur Cox is happy with the deal and so am I or else I would not have pursued it.

The time was right and the prices we had been quoted for other "leaders of the line" were prohibitive. When a club pays £575,000 for a midfield long-thrower then one realises how crazy our transfer market is. I am sure we might consider reverting to a system where transfers in and out take place before the start of any given season. This way the coaches will have to earn their stripes, clubs would not be able to take advantage of strong resources against the clubs needing to sell and every player starting the season would know exactly what chance he had.



We know Michael Harford's qualities. He is a committed player who worked terribly hard in his early days after arriving at Lincoln City, managed then by Colin Murphy, from Lambton Street Boys Club. Since that time, he has become regarded as one of the finest headers of a ball in English football and a man whose first touch is as good as if not better than that of the current England centre-forward Alan Smith. Michael is no spring chicken now, but he has the benefit of years of experience with Newcastle, Birmingham, Luton and Derby.



Richard Harvey, who scored his first league goal against Southampton, is pictured on a surging run against Wimbledon

This experience must rub off on our younger element like Paul Telfer, Matthew Jackson, Mark Pembroke, Ceri Hughes and Darren Salton, to name but a few, whose future is as important as our present results.

Our aim is clear. We must pull away from the tag of expectancy that we will be down among the dead men by the end of the season. The spirit in the club is good and we must create and take our chances. Our ambition is to progress the club. That means retaining our status.

It will mean a big effort from everyone, but I believe we took another step forward when we invested in the last 14 days in the passing ability of Steve Thompson and the striking leadership of Mick Harford. I hope tonight's game is a good one and that our performance deserves your cheers.

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News Update

Blues on their way in Rumbelows Cup

Our first appearance in this season's Rumbelows Football League Cup competition will take place next Wednesday, September 25, when Birmingham City are the visitors to Kenilworth Road. For our newly-signed centre-forward Mick Harford, who we warmly welcome back 'home' tonight following his transfer from Derby County, this will provide an early opportunity to play against one of his former clubs. Like Steve Thompson, another warmly-welcomed arrival from Bolton Wanderers, Mick is not cup-tied for the Rumbelows competition. Doubtless, he will be looking forward to an early attempt to repeat our 1988 feat in winning what was then known as the Littlewoods Cup final at Wembley. To both men, we extend the very best of luck with their Luton Town careers.

Glover and Rodger in the wars

Lee Glover, who was injured during our 2-1 home win over Southampton earlier this month, and Graham Rodger, who sustained a cut head during training, were both struggling for fitness last week. Glover damaged ankle ligaments and was unable to train whilst Rodger was also kept out of action to allow his wound to recover after receiving six stitches.

Out on loan

Julian James and Sean Farrell both left the club last week on temporary loan deals to join Preston North End and Northampton Town respectively for one month. The loan spell will give them each a good chance to re-establish themselves in first team football and ensure they are at peak match fitness should there be any urgent need to recall them to Kenilworth Road.

Rangers welcome

Tonight we extend a very warm welcome to the players, directors, staff and supporters of Queens Park Rangers Football Club. We have met Rangers many times at all levels of the league over the years and sincerely hope this evening's fixture maintains the tradition for fine football usually produced by the two teams.

Manager of the month

Alex Ferguson of Manchester United won the first of the season's managerial awards when he was named as Barclays Bank Manager of the Month for August. United remained unbeaten during August and led the First Division league table. Other divisional awards went to John Beck of Cambridge in Division Two, Terry Cooper of Birmingham City in Division Three and Billy Ayre of Blackpool in Division Four.

Shirt sponsors

A shirt sponsorship deal with a major company is expected to be announced by the club within a few days. Full details of the story behind the announcement are in Inside view on page 6 of tonight's match programme.



Mark Pembroke, who won his first full cap for Wales against Brazil last week, is pictured in an aerial clash against Wimbledon

Inside view

By Bill Tomlins



Shirt sponsorship deal is settled and ready to be announced



Ceri Hughes (above) is now back in full training and regaining his fitness in preparation for a return to match play. Lee Glover (right) has also been working hard after picking up an injury against Southampton. We wish both speedy returns to senior action.

Good evening and welcome to Queens Park Rangers and their supporters. The West London club have undergone a change of management during the close season with the return of Gerry Francis at the helm and, like us, they have been active in the transfer market.

We were very pleased to complete some great business last week which resulted in Mick Harford's return to Kenilworth Road after 18 months in the Midlands with Derby County. Mick may no longer be a youngster in the game, but his fitness and application is in no doubt as he proved with his appearance record for the Rams. In his time with them, he missed only one game – against us at the Baseball Ground – and that was due to suspension and not injury.

We have also been delighted to complete our negotiations successfully for a new shirt sponsorship deal which will be announced formally in the very near future. This will be further good news too for many of our supporters who have been inquiring after replica kits of our new strip.

These replica kits have been delayed owing to our decision to wait for the finalisation of our sponsorship

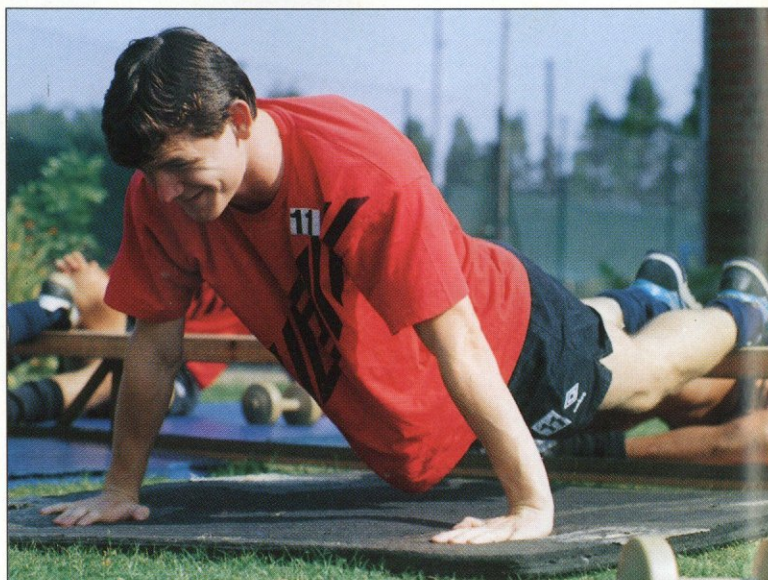
deal and I hope our supporters can understand why. The replica kits are clearly an integral part of the sponsors' package and the completion of this deal has been important to both the sponsor and the club.

Having said that, there may be some shirts available for sale outside our catchment area on the national market without the new sponsors' name on them and I hope everyone fully understands why.

Other items of business completed in the last week which have helped make it a hectic one behind-the-scenes have been the arrangement of loan deals for Julian James, who has gone to Preston North End for a month, and Sean Farrell, who has joined Northampton, also for one month.

This evening there will be a collection at the match, organised by the Luton and District bus company to raise funds for the Cancer Research Campaign. This is a good cause and I hope everyone will find the means to make a contribution.

Another excellent and worthwhile charity cause being supported by football this month is the 'Football Against MS' scheme which was launched on



September 5. This charity initiative, which is believed to be the biggest in the history of the game, aims to raise £3.5 million in support of Action and Research for Multiple Sclerosis (ARMS). It will involve people at all levels of our sport.

Football Against MS was conceived by the Wallace brothers, Danny, Raymond and Rodney and already has the support of league clubs in England, Scotland and Wales and the governing bodies within the game. It will encompass numerous events taking place between September 1991 and May 1992 with Raymond and Rodney's Leeds United team-mate Gordon Strachan playing a key role in the initiative in Scotland.

The focal point will be three simultaneous walks visiting every league club. Players, staff and celebrities will walk between each club ground and the public will be encouraged to raise money to walk with them. Two of the walks, which start on January 12 from Aberdeen and London, will finish at Wembley Stadium during half-time of the FA Cup final on May 9, 1992.

That should make the build-up next Spring to the final a very special occasion and hopefully raise plenty of funds for this worthwhile cause. Keep an eye out for further details.

Nearer to home, it was very encouraging to see more than 400 supporters turn out for reserves' home Football Combination match against Charlton Athletic at Dunstable. The fans helped make a great atmosphere which I am sure the players appreciated and gave them a lift.

Next week, we have another home reserves fixture when they take on Millwall and, of course, more importantly our first appearance in the Rumbelows Cup when we meet Birmingham City here in a second round first leg tie.

This should be an exciting evening for everyone as we bid to make certain of a step towards the third round.

Finally, congratulations are due to Mark Pembridge for winning his first full cap for Wales last week against Brazil whilst some commiserations are due to Phil Gray who suffered a calf strain in training and was therefore unable to take part in Northern Ireland's goal-ramp against the Faroe Islands. I am sure his time will come. Enjoy the game.

Captain's diary

By Trevor Peake



What a fairytale start for Mick!

Good evening and welcome to Kenilworth Road for tonight's league game with Queens Park Rangers.

First, I'd like to congratulate the team on last Saturday's 2-1 win against Oldham. I feel we played some good football in spells and just about deserved to take all three points. What a start for new signing Mick Harford! It really was a fairytale start for him, scoring both goals in the last five minutes.

It was as if he had never been away. I've known Mick for years, playing alongside him during our early days at Lincoln. I've also played against him on many occasions while I was at Coventry, but fortunately for me, I was the shorter centre-back at Highfield Road so never really came into 'close' contact with the big man.

Steve Thompson is also fitting in well with the lads after his recent move from Bolton Wanderers. He is a player who I feel should have stepped up to football in the top flight earlier in his career, but saying that, he has bided his time and is now hungry to do well for Luton. I wish him well and hope he goes on to have a long and successful career at Kenilworth Road.

We have a tough trip coming up at league leaders Manchester United on Saturday. We know we are going to be under the cosh in front of a very large crowd, but our performance last Saturday will give us heart and we are very determined to reverse the scorelines of recent seasons at Old Trafford.

Following that, we are expecting a tough battle with Birmingham City for a place in the next round of the Rumbelows League Cup. City are riding on the crest of a wave at the moment, flying high at the top of Division Three. They will relish facing one of the 'big boys' and will undoubtedly fancy their chances, going on the form of both clubs over recent weeks. We are well aware of this fact and must make our class stand out on both nights.

I have got a lot of confidence in the boys at the moment and feel quietly confident of progressing into the next round.

After my first month in charge, I've learned an awful lot about the team both on and off the pitch. We have a terrific bunch of lads here, and as I've said before, the team spirit is second to none.

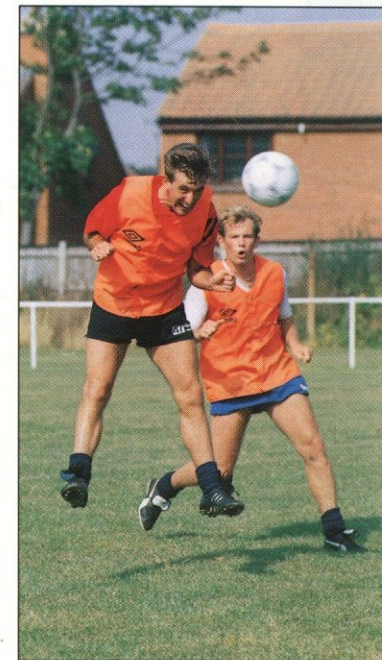
The potential to do well is there with the amount of young talent coming through, which can only be good news for the club in the long term. We have been playing good football in spells, but we must dominate for longer periods to get the right results.

We must also improve on our dismal away form and not rely only on results here at Kenilworth Road going our way.

Being made captain was a great honour and a position which I respect, but when we as a team go out to play, we have 11 captains all pulling together to help out. That is a direct result of the team spirit I've talked about, and is one of the reasons why the youngsters at the club are able to perform well at the highest level.

Off the pitch, the captaincy role brings its extra responsibilities, with charity events and so on. As I am still living in the Coventry area, it makes it difficult to get involved at the moment, but when I move down in a couple of months time I hope to get involved with events on a more frequent basis, and also get to know the lads better as well.

I would like to end with a message to you, the fans. The loud support in the second half on Saturday was great for us. It really does give the players a lift when they are encouraged in such a way. Please continue in the same fashion – it is appreciated. Enjoy the game.



Steve Thompson jumps to it in training.



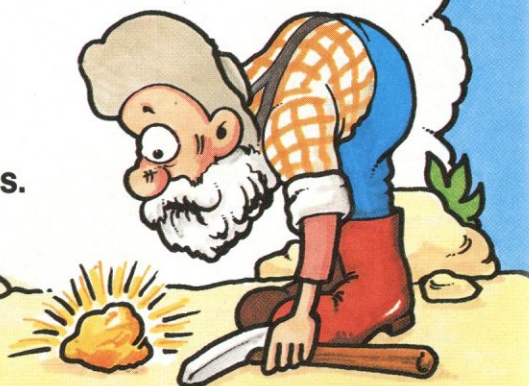
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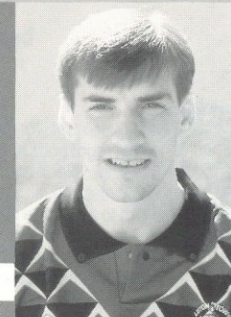
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Junior Hatters

With Alec Chamberlain.



Tonight we give Queens Park Rangers a warm welcome to Kenilworth Road. The match will also see the return of Roy Wegerle who was a big favourite here. I hope he plays tonight because the last time we played Rangers, he was injured.

On Saturday, September 28, we will entertain the junior supporters from Notts County. We will play football in the morning at our training ground in Ely Way, off Oakley Road, near the Electrolux works.

If you want to play for the Junior Hatters that day, call in to the Kenilworth Road shop on a matchday or the Oak Road shop on a weekday and see Bev Tyler. He will give you all the details.

Our first away trip with the Junior Hatters is on Saturday, October 5, when we go to Aston Villa. We will play football

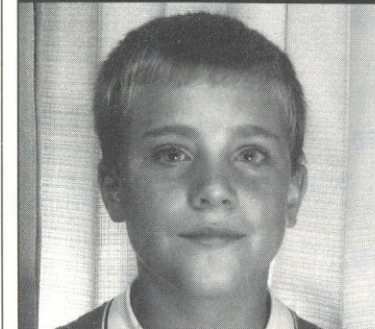
with their juniors in the morning and watch the first team match in the afternoon.

The price for this trip is £6 for Junior Hatters and £7 for parents. A packed lunch is recommended. The coach will leave from the top of Oak Road at 9.00 am.

The newly-formed Junior Hatters club is looking for a sponsor to help pay for new kit. The Junior Hatters run two teams which play junior supporters at home and away in two age groups, under-11's and under-15's. If anyone can help, please contact Bev Tyler on (0582) 411622.

In our next programme, we will start a lucky numbers draw for Junior Hatters. The winner will receive two free tickets to one of our home games.

Match Mascot



Tonight's mascot is David Gupit. He is nine years old and attends Warden Hill School. His interests are football, swimming and music. Enjoy the match, David.

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QUIZ TIME

- Who was Luton captain when they won the 1988 Littlewoods Cup?
- How many times have QPR won the league title?
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Fans' view

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I would therefore like to invite you to join in the fun of the occasion. It is our intention to hopefully unite the supporters throughout the U.K. on the night, by setting up a live phone line.

The date for the project is the 20th September, kicking off at 7.00 pm in the main hall of Rochdale Town Hall. Seating capacity has been set at over 500, and there will be a full bar in operation on the night.

It is envisaged that the hall will be quite full on the night, so if you would like to send a delegation to the event could you please let me know as soon as possible, so provisions can be made to meet your requirements.

It is important also to remember those people who may not be able to attend the function, to bid on the night of choosing. So the numbers listed below can be used for them to place their bids now: 0706 522439, 0706 343411 or 0706 39203

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Ed's note: If you would like a list of items on auction please telephone Paul or if you would actually like to go to the event, contact the Luton Town Supporters Club c/o Luton Town F.C.



LUTON TOWN SUPPORTERS CLUB INFORMATION

First of all a very warm welcome to our new captain Trevor Peake on his second appearance at Kenilworth Road. All Hatters fans will remember his solid displays for the Sky Blues at this ground in the past and, hopefully, he will enjoy a long and successful stay with us.

Everyone was, I am sure, impressed with the new-look Kenilworth Road stadium at the start of the season and, with visitors now officially back, I hope we will enjoy a better image with football in general.

With this in mind, we extend our greetings tonight to our visitors from Queens Park Rangers. Hopefully, they will enjoy their visit, but not return to Loftus Road as they did last season with all three points.

Do not forget, if you have not rejoined the Supporters Club, our booth is now outside the ground in Kenilworth Road and we will be there after each home game. Enjoy the game and give the team your support. Yours in sport,
Tom Hunt, press/publicity officer, LTFC.

Want to air your views?

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

Dismayed for Dowie

Dear Sir,

Some Luton Town fans have very short memories. I was dismayed and acutely embarrassed to be sitting amongst the crowd as they booed Iain Dowie during the home match with Southampton recently. What had he done wrong?

Those same fans were applauding him when he scored vital goals for us during the last two seasons. Neither did he choose to leave the club but was sold for financial reasons.

Iain Dowie was a hardworking and loyal player during his time at Luton, he should be given the respect he deserves for that service.

Christine Childs,
75 Grays Lane,
Hitchin,
Herts.

Luton collection

Dear Sir,

A close friend and fellow-season ticket holder Max Caven recently passed away and his wife gave me his Luton Town collection.

I would like to sell it and donate the proceeds to a worthwhile charity. If anyone is interested in purchasing Max's collection, please contact me at the address or telephone numbers below.

Paul Bellack,
78, Parkway,
Welwyn Garden City,
Herts.
Tel: 071-925-0030 (work)
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Mad as a Hatter...

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There will be no tickets available on the day of the match.

Luton Town v Notts County

Saturday September 28, 1991, kick-off 3.00pm

Tickets for this match are now on sale. Normal league prices and guesting facilities apply.

Aston Villa v Luton Town

Saturday October 5, 1991, kick-off 3.00pm

Although this match is not all ticket, supporters are requested to purchase their tickets before travelling.
Seats are priced at £10.00 (side of pitch) £ 8.00 (behind goal) No standing accommodation is available.

Rumbelows Football League Cup – Second round, first leg

Luton Town v Birmingham City

Wednesday, September 25, 1991, kick-off 7.45 pm

Following are the prices of tickets:

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Main Stand	A-E	£8.50	£5
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	A,B,H,J	£5.50	£4
New Stand	A-E	£8.50	£5
Kenilworth Seating	A-G	£6.50	£4
Kenilworth Standing		£5.00	£2.50

SEASON TICKET HOLDERS (cup voucher no 22) may claim their tickets from Wednesday, September 4 (after tonight's match) until Friday, September 13, inclusive.

MEMBERS may purchase tickets from Saturday, September 14, until kick-off on September 25. Normal guesting facilities apply for this match.

VISITING SUPPORTERS may only purchase their tickets priced at £8.50 from the Ticket Office at Birmingham City.

The second leg of this tie will be played at St Andrews, Birmingham, on Tuesday, October 8, 1991, kick-off at 8pm.

Ticket Office Hours

The Ticket Office is open from 10 am to 4 pm on weekdays and from 9 am to 12 noon on non-match Saturdays. On match Saturdays, it remains open for the afternoon. For all Ticket Office and Membership inquiries, please call Cherry Newbery, Ticket Office manager, on 0582-411622 or 30748. Credit Card Hotline is on 0582-30748 72 hours before a match.

How to get to...

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Nearest Railway: Bordesley or Birmingham New Street (B/R).

Travel Club

Bookings are not being taken this season from the Bobbers Club in Oak Road. But they can be made in any of the following ways:

1. From our new ticket kiosk at the Kenilworth Road turnstiles before any Saturday first-team match at home between 2pm and kick-off, or
2. On the return journey from the previous away game with the Travel Club, or
3. By telephoning Paul Deason on Bedford (0234) 750996.

Fares

Fares for the trip to ASTON VILLA will be £6.00 and £5.00 with coaches departing from Cranfield at 10.45am and from Luton at 11.45am with pick-ups en route.

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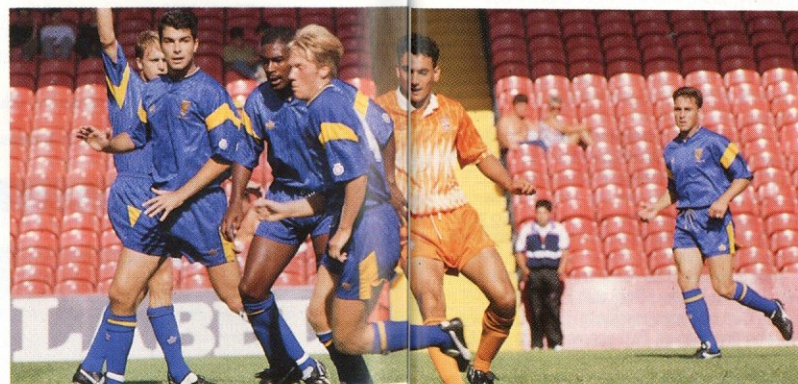
Action replay

Pictures by Josh Levy

From Selhurst Park,
September 7, 1991
Wimbledon 3 Luton Town 0
Attendance: 3,231



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Selhurst Park was no happy hunting ground for the Hatters when they went to South London to meet Wimbledon. David Preece (above), Paul Holsgrove (far left), who made his full league debut, and Kurt Nogan (left) are pictured in action there.

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Today's visitors

By Luke Nicoli

Welcome To Q.P.R.

QUEENS PARK RANGERS F.C. 1991/92 SEASON



Back Row (left to right) – Dennis Bailey, Les Ferdinand, Roy Wegerle, Michael Meaker, Mark Falco (now Millwall), Jan Stejskal, Alan McDonald, Peter Caldwell, Darren Peacock, Paul Vowles, Karl Ready, Dominic Iorfa.
Centre Row (left to right) – Des Bulpin (Youth Team Manager), Ron Berry (Kit Manager), Frank Sibley (First Team Coach), Paul Bromage, David McEnroe, Maurice Doyle, Bradley Allen, Tony Roberts, Andy Tillson, Brian Law, Alan McCarthy, Andrew Impey, Roger Cross (Reserve Team Manager), Brian Morris (Physiotherapist), Les Boyle (Youth Team Trainer)
Front Row (left to right) – Ray Wilkins, David Bardsley, Rufus Brevett, Andy Sinton, Clive Wilson, Gerry Francis (Manager), Paul Parker (now Man.Utd.), Simon Barker, Danny Maddix, Justin Channing, Robert Herrera

This evening we welcome the players, officials and supporters of Queens Park Rangers to Kenilworth Road for this Barclays League Division One match. Rangers, in similar fashion to last season, are struggling to keep in touch with the early season pacesetters as injuries and a loss of form start to take their toll.

Currently in 21st position and still seeking their first win, Rangers have been without key defender Alan McDonald, who missed most of last season through injury, but he played for Northern Ireland against the Faroes last week. New boss Gerry Francis also lost influential captain Ray Wilkins on the opening day of the season at Arsenal with an achilles tendon injury.

Mr Francis, who succeeded former England coach Don Howe as the Rangers' boss, will be looking for the team to turn around their fortunes in the style they achieved last season. Rangers finished a very creditable mid-table position after an injury-wrecked first half to the season which

saw them placed second from bottom at Christmas.

The signing of defenders Darren Peacock from Hereford, Andy Tillson from Grimsby and Rufus Brevett from Doncaster, proved that players from the lower divisions can perform equally as well in the top flight, helping push Rangers up to 12th position in the table, which included a run of 11 games without defeat.

During the summer, Rangers sold England defender Paul Parker to Manchester United in a £2 million deal. This gave Mr Francis some much needed cash with which to strengthen the team. Almost immediately forward Dennis Bailey was signed from Birmingham City. He was followed in quick succession by the transfer of midfielder Ian Holloway from Mr Francis's previous club Bristol Rovers.

Garry Thompson was also signed at the beginning of the season from Crystal Palace to add more experience to the forward line.

The remainder of the squad is virtually unchanged from last season. That means a return to Kenilworth Road for former Town favourite Roy Wegerle who joined Rangers from Luton for £1 million in December 1989.

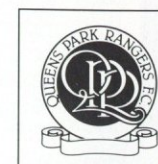
It will obviously take time for the players to adjust to a new manager and for new players to settle in, but it is definitely within the club's reach to achieve success.

With the raw talent of forwards Les Ferdinand and Bailey, along with the more experienced heads of winger Andy Sinton and midfield dynamo Simon Barker, Rangers have a good blend of talent and experience, and in goalkeeper Jan Stejskal they have one of the safest pair of hands in the First Division...reason enough to feel confident.

Formed in 1885, Rangers have had more grounds than any other league club – 12 altogether – and have played individual home matches at two further venues. The club was formed as a result of a merger between two west London clubs, namely St Jude's and Christchurch Rangers.

The club have had limited success during their 106 year history. They won the Football League Cup on one occasion in 1967. They have also won the Division Two championship in 1983 and the Division Three title in 1967.

Rangers On Parade



JAN STEJSKAL (goalkeeper) – Czechoslovakian international Jan was an ever-present for his country during last year's World Cup finals in Italy. Although he signed for Rangers almost immediately after the finals from Sparta Prague, he had to wait until October before he could come to England, making his league debut in a 3-2 victory at Leeds.

DAVID BARDSLEY (defender) – Right-back David was an England Youth international during his early years at Blackpool. He was transferred to Watford in 1983 and played for the Hornets in their 2-0 FA Cup final defeat V Everton. Oxford signed him in 1987 but he moved on to Rangers in the early weeks of the 1988/89 season.

DANNY MADDIX (defender) – Danny started his career at Tottenham but failed to gain a place in their first team squad. He made his league debut on loan to Southend in 1986, but moved to Q.P.R. the following season. He has been a first team regular for the past three seasons.

RUFUS BREVETT (defender) – Rufus signed from Doncaster for £250,000 shortly before the transfer deadline last March. He joined Doncaster under the government's Youth Training Scheme, and made his league debut for them in a 2-2 draw with Scunthorpe United in 1988.

ANDY TILLSON (defender) – Andy started his football career playing non-league football for GM-Vauxhall Conference side Kettering Town. He signed for Grimsby in 1988, making his debut in a 4-1 defeat at Cambridge United. An ever-present in the Mariners side for his two seasons at Blundell Park, he signed for Rangers for £450,000 last December.

DARREN PEACOCK (defender) – Darren started his career at now-defunct Newport County, making his debut in a 2-0 defeat at Plymouth in 1985. After five seasons at Somerton Park he moved to Hereford United, but after only one season he moved to Q.P.R. for £150,000.

RAY WILKINS (midfield) – Influential midfielder and club captain, Ray started his career at Chelsea, making his debut in 1973. After five full seasons at Stamford Bridge he moved to Manchester United in a £750,000 deal. For many years Ray was an England regular, winning 84 caps. AC Milan signed him for £1,350,000 in 1984, but he returned to the U.K. in 1987 with Glasgow Rangers. He joined Q.P.R. in November 1989. Injury may rule Ray out tonight.

SIMON BARKER (midfield) – Simon earned a reputation as a goal-scoring midfielder at his first club Blackburn Rovers. He topped their scoring list with 18 league goals in 1986/87, prompting Q.P.R. to sign him the following season in a £400,000 deal. Simon is an England under-21 international.

ANDY SINTON (midfield) – Andy started his league career at Cambridge United as a youngster and made over 100 league appearances before moving to Brentford in 1985. He gained a reputation as a hard-working, skilful player at Griffin Park, prompting Rangers to sign him for £350,000 in 1989. Andy was a member of the Football League XI which played the Irish League last season.

IAN HOLLOWAY (midfield) – Ian arrived at Loftus Road in a £100,000 deal last month from Bristol Rovers. He began his career at Rovers before moving to Wimbledon for £35,000 in 1985. Brentford signed him a year later and while still at Griffin Park he spent a short loan spell with Torquay United. Ian returned to Bristol Rovers in 1987.

CLIVE WILSON (midfield) – Clive started his football career with Manchester City, making his debut v Wolves in 1981. After five full seasons at Maine Road he headed south and joined Chelsea for £300,000 in 1987. After failing to gain a regular place in the Blues' line-up, he signed for Rangers during the 1990 close-season.

LES FERDINAND (forward) – A fringe player for much of his time at Loftus Road, Les made his league debut in a 4-0 defeat at Coventry in 1987. Signed from non-league Hayes, he has had loan spells with Turkish club Besiktas and with Brentford. Les enjoyed a very good run last Christmas scoring 10 goals and helping to pull Rangers clear of trouble.

BRADLEY ALLEN (forward) – Bradley, a former Rangers trainee, made his league debut three seasons ago, but had to wait until last term for another chance. He then scored twice in four full league appearances and is now a regular first team squad member.

ROY WEGERLE (forward) – Rangers paid a club record £1 million fee when they signed Roy from the Town in December 1989. He was playing for Tampa Bay in the USA when he was recommended to Chelsea. After only occasional appearances for the Blues, he signed for Luton and was top-scorer in 1989/90. Last season Roy was Rangers' leading scorer with a total of 20 goals.



Roy Wegerle

DENNIS BAILEY (forward) – Dennis started his career with Crystal Palace but managed only five substitute appearances for the Eagles. After a loan spell at Bristol Rovers, he was transferred to Birmingham in 1989, leading their scoring list with 20 goals in his first season. Last season he spent another loan spell at Rovers before joining Q.P.R. earlier this summer.

GARRY THOMPSON (forward) – Garry joined Rangers from Palace for £250,000 at the beginning of the season. He started his career at Coventry, making his debut in 1978. He spent six fruitful years at Highfield Road scoring around 50 goals before moving to West Bromwich in 1983. He had short spells at Sheffield Wednesday, Aston Villa and Watford, before moving to Palace last year.

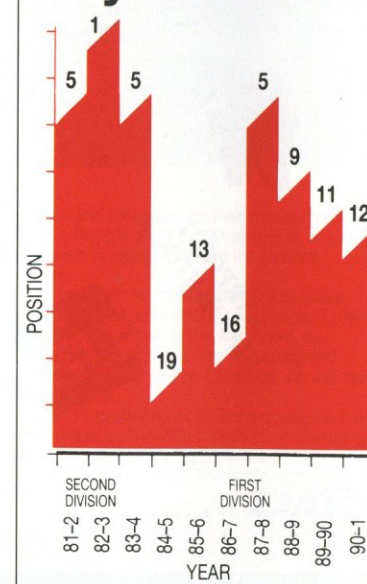
Meet the Boss

GERRY FRANCIS

Chiswick-born, Gerry is a Q.P.R. man through and through. He started his career with the West London club in 1969 and went on to make 289 appearances in a nine-year spell which saw him become captain and lead his side to second place in Division One in 1976. His combative skills and leadership on the pitch were rewarded with 12 full England caps during the seventies. He spent one season at Crystal Palace before seeing out his playing days at Loftus Road in 1980 where a knee injury prematurely ended his playing days.

His career in football management started at Exeter City, but he really established himself at Bristol Rovers where, in a three year period, he took a club with a shoestring budget and no home into the Second Division. He felt he could do no more at the club and this prompted many clubs to enquire about his services. Naturally he joined Q.P.R. and the Rangers fans will hope he can carry on with the same success he enjoyed at Rovers.

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Player profile

Graham Rodger

Graham Rodger knows what the term long-term injury really means. After badly damaging a tendon and ligament in his right ankle during the 4-1 home win over Norwich City in October 1989, he has spent most of his Kenilworth Road career in the treatment room. Until, that is, he finally recovered and forced his way back in the closing stages of last season.

It was a long and difficult comeback trail for Graham. "I missed so much work. It is difficult to recover your fitness properly and to regain form properly. I was out for a long time and when I first got back it was very hard going. Now, I feel a lot better and especially after getting a full pre-season training in."

To help him regain peak form and agility, Graham has started to play badminton. "It's not for the fitness, just the agility," he said. "And I really enjoy it. It is a change and I hope it helps make me lighter on my feet."

Graham's long-term injury has also brought another new interest to his attention - academic study. Bored with sitting around for long periods, he has enrolled for an 'A' level course in Human Biology at Luton's Barnfield College. But, he is quick to stress it is not a prelude to a chosen career in medicine or physiotherapy.

"It was just something that interested me," said Graham. "I looked at what was available and it was the one that interested me most. I am aware of most of the anatomy and workings of the human body thanks to all my injuries and I think it could be an interesting subject to follow. I get tired of sitting around in the evenings sometimes and it is a good way to keep the mind occupied."

Graham, who is still only 24, clearly has a broad view of life and this was also shown by his choice of holiday this year. He and his fiancée Vicky, from Weston-Super-Mare, chose to fly to

GRAHAM RODGER FACT FILE

Born: Glasgow, 1.4.67
First club: Wolves as apprentice
FL debut: Wolves v Ipswich T. (0-3)
21.4.84
Joined Coventry: 1984
Joined Luton T.: 1989
Luton debut: v Mansfield T. (7-2)
Littlewoods Cup 2nd round 2nd leg,
3.10.91
Luton Town league career (to July, 1991):
16 apps, 2 goals. Total 19 apps, 2 goals.
International honours: England u-21.



Malaysia and Singapore for their summer vacation taking in Penang and Kuantan as well as several days spent lounging around in the glorious weather.

"I had been to Thailand before and going back to Malaysia appealed to us. I feel as if I have seen a lot of that part of the world now, we travelled so much. It was very interesting and there was so much to see. Of course, we did have a good rest too."

On the footballing side, Graham believes the Hatters have a very good chance of combining to become a potent force again with the recent arrivals of men like Steve Thompson and Mick Harford.

"Mick is a really experienced player who can score goals," said Graham. "He is a quality player and I am sure he will do a good job for the club. I have played against him a couple of times and he

is well capable of giving central defenders a hiding. He is a real handful. I am sure Steve is going to do well too. He looks a quality player in training."

"Trevor Peake, of course, I knew well from my Coventry days. I knew what sort of player he was and he is obviously very experienced. He is a good professional and I have a lot of respect for him, even if he is looking very old now! That won't bother him though because he hardly needs his speed - he reads the game so well."



Autograph

Graham Rodger



Philip Gray, pictured in action against Wimbledon, was called up by Northern Ireland against the Faroe Islands last week.

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The global game

England's meeting with Germany last week evoked memories and prompted dreams at the opening of an international season dominated by qualifying for next year's European Championship finals as Timothy Collings reports.

It was strange to go to Wembley last week and hear the voices of those heroes of 1966 reminding everyone of that great afternoon when Bobby Moore hoisted the World Cup. Gordon Banks spoke with real emotion, his voice crackling through on the car radio. Alan Ball with the same excitement. Martin Peters with pride and Geoff Hurst with a touch of dignity. Hurst, the hat-trick hero and scorer of the most controversial goal in the world's greatest football occasion, never collected the match ball after the game. That, apparently, had gone back to Germany with Helmut Haller - much to Hurst's obvious disappointment. "I believe his son has got it now which is nice," said our Geoff. "But I would dearly love to have had it."

Twenty-five years on from that day on July 30, 1966, the ghosts were still there and the figures, all pure imagination, still in their red sweat-stained shirts, still dancing with delight. Especially Nobby Stiles, his gap-toothed grin and jig engraving an image on posterity. George Cohen, Ray Wilson, who is now an undertaker in the Yorkshire dales and completely out of touch with the game, the giraffe himself, Jack Charlton, the workhorse, Roger Hunt, now a member of the pools panel and, of course, Bobby Charlton. What can you say about Bobby Charlton?

The fact that the Germans used Franz Beckenbauer, four years later, to man-mark him in Mexico during that classic quarter-final, at least until Charlton was withdrawn by Sir Alf Ramsey with England leading comfortably, shows what ability he had and in what respect it was held. Bobby Charlton, at his peak, was arguably England's greatest player, their finest goalscorer, their best ambassador and with it all a true sportsman. That image of Charlton with Eusebio after the semi-final against Portugal - who can forget that?

And so there we were, all 59,493 of us, in the new modern Wembley to

watch the next generation on the night Mark Pembridge won his first cap for Wales. And against Brazil too. Many experts have predicted that Mark will go on to win 60 or more caps already and it does not take a genius to see he is a player of exceptional ability, attitude, versatility and temperament for his age. Simply to have played a full 90-minutes on his debut at the Cardiff Arms Park and a part in Dean Saunders' winning goal against the greatest team of them all.

But Brazil, too, like England and Germany, had to play under the critical gaze of a public comparing them with their past...Garrincha, Pele, Carlos Alberto, Rivelino, Gerson, Tostao, Socrates and Zico. That samba magic has always been the uplifting heartbeat in the sport and the special Brazilian flair the greatest delight.

Wales' victory on the night England lost for the first time under Graham Taylor, at the 13th hurdle, provided encouragement for our domestic international game and left open the tantalising prospect of the Welshmen qualifying for next year's European Championship final if they can manage at least a draw against the Germans in Nuremberg next month. What a feat that would be!

Judging by their performance at Wembley, however, the new united Germany has strength in all departments and, particularly, a very impressive goalkeeper in Bodo Illgner whose performances have prompted comparisons with the great Sepp Maier.

In front of him, Germany had a new sweeper in Manfred Binz, the dangerous Andreas Brehme, the ruthless Jurgen Kohler, the scheming Thomas Hassler and the lethal Karl-Heinz Riedle, who scored a goal which left Mr Taylor complaining about "one minute of madness...There's your headline...Even if you do well for 89 minutes, it can all be lost in one minute."

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All that leaves one player notably unmentioned: Lothar Matthaus. He is the captain of Germany, the world's best midfield player and manifestly good enough to have won a place in the 1966 World Cup final team. It will be interesting to see if he can lead Germany's new united team - a strong enough side to look impressive with Jurgen Klinsmann left on the bench - into the European finals again. As World Cup holders, they should have no trouble in doing that on paper, but Wales, and Pembridge in particular, have plenty to play for in the weeks to come before October 16.



Mark Pembridge

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David Preece (top) and Richard Harvey (below) are pictured in action for the Town at Wimbledon.



Looking back

By Roger Wash

The Last Time We Met . . .

February 2, 1991 (Division One)

LUTON TOWN 1 Q.P.R. 2

Attendance: 8,479

Referee: M.C. Bailey (Cambridge)

LUTON: Chamberlain, Beaumont, Dreyer, Williams, McDonough, Rodger, Nogan, Preece, Dowie, Pembroke (Holsgrove), Black.

Q.P.R.: Stejskal, Bardsley, Sansom, Tillson, Peacock, Maddix, Wilkins, Barker, Allen, Ferdinand, Sinton (Meaker).

After taking an early lead through Kingsley Black, the Town fell away to their fourth home defeat of the season and with only one win in their previous seven games, things were now beginning to look desperate.

The Rangers goals were both scored by Les Ferdinand, who had only recently been introduced to the side, with the winner - admittedly a cracker - coming in injury time. Ferdinand went on to score another ten goals last season, thus helping pull Rangers away from relegation trouble. That win was a 'double' completed over the Town last term, following a 6-1 trouncing the previous September.



Kingsley Black

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Night the stars came out for the league's first 'plastic' clash

Having started off the 1981-82 season with a resounding 3-0 home win over newly-promoted Charlton, the big test for the Hatters was to take place on the following Tuesday with a trip to Q.P.R.

What made the game special was the fact that all the top national football reporters would be there together with many leading dignitaries from Sir Stanley Rous down - all to witness the first league match on an artificial surface.

Rangers' "Omniurf" was reported to have cost £350,000 to lay and the first impression one got was of a strangely coloured, slightly rucked carpet, completely different to the more advanced models laid later at Luton, Oldham and Preston.

It was generally agreed that Rangers could not have wished for better opponents in their bid to show the world that an artificial surface did not necessarily mean artificial football, as the Town were promotion favourites and were regarded as a footballing side rather than a "long ball" team.

This comment certainly fooled the 4,000 strong Luton contingent as the Town spent the first half slipping and sliding around and generally struggling to contain a lively Rangers attack.

Rangers took the lead on 34 minutes when ex-Luton favourite Andy King scored with a far-post header and the general concerns at half-time were that the Town were in for a thrashing and that we all hated plastic pitches.

As normally happens, we were proved completely wrong as a simple tactical change by manager David Pleat, in pushing Mark Aizlewood further forward, changed the whole complexion of the game. Godfrey Ingram was now able to resume his left wing foraging rather than covering

back as he had done in the first half, and with Brian Stein and Steve White balancing things out on the right, the Town now looked a much more potent attacking outfit.

It was now Rangers turn to go under the cosh and with the Luton confidence increasing by the minute, the famed one-touch play came to the fore placing great pressure on John Burridge and his defence.

The deserved equaliser came in the 70th minute after Ricky Hill had played a long diagonal ball across the penalty area where both White and Aizlewood were racing in to get to the pass before Burridge. Aizlewood it was who got the touch, gently lifting the ball over the keeper much to the delight of the Luton supporters behind the goal.

Ingram then missed a sitter ten minutes later before Ricky Hill finally got the winner that the Town's second half display deserved. White was half-tackled on the edge of the box and as the ball ran loose, Hill surged on to it to smack an unstoppable low shot past Burridge.

Rangers boss Terry Venables had no complaints and confirmed that by being brave and attacking in the second half, the Town obtained a just result.

LUTON - FINDLAY, STEPHENS, AIZLEWOOD, ANTIC, SAXBY, DONAGHY, HORTON, HILL, STEIN, WHITE, INGRAM.

QPR - BURRIDGE, GREGORY, HAZELL, ROEDER, FENWICK, WADDOCK, FRANCIS, KING, FLANAGAN, STAINROD, ALLEN.



History was made at Loftus Road where Ricky Hill (above) scored the Town's winner in the first match on plastic after Mark Aizlewood, (below, with Glenn Roeder) had equalised Andy King's opener for QPR.



One to remember

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One of the Town's most memorable victories came against Queens Park Rangers in May 1982 when they beat them 3-2 to clinch the Second Division title. Goals by Hill, White and Moss (penalty) ensured the points and top place on the way to the First Division.

IT HAPPENED FIVE YEARS AGO:-

20/9/86 - A dismal 2-0 defeat at West Ham, watched by a crowd of 19,133.

IT HAPPENED TEN YEARS AGO:-

19/9/81 - After being 1-0 down at Leicester at half-time, two goals from Steve White sealed the Town's third successive away victory.

IT HAPPENED FIFTEEN YEARS AGO:-

18/9/76 - The attraction of George Best, Rodney Marsh and Bobby Moore in Fulham colours enticed a best of the season crowd of 19,929 to Kenilworth Road. Unfortunately, Fulham won a drab game 2-0.

IT HAPPENED TWENTY YEARS AGO:-

18/9/71 - In a televised game, the Town drew 2-2 at Millwall with both goals in an exciting encounter being scored by Peter Anderson. This was Luton's sixth draw out of the seven games played so far that season.

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Wednesday, September 25, 1991

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Strongly tipped for promotion from the Third Division this season, Birmingham City are our next visitors to Kenilworth Road for our Rumbelows League Cup, second round, first leg match on September 25.

Now under the guidance of former Leeds United star Terry Cooper, who took over from Lou Macari during the summer, City are back on the glory trail following their recent visit to Wembley at the end of last season.

The Leyland Daf final saw City take on Tranmere Rovers in front of over 50,000 mainly City fans. Two fine goals from former Wimbledon forward John Gayle secured a 3-1 win for City, and

gave the club a platform on which to build for the coming season.

Mr Cooper has made very few changes to the side which ran out at Wembley last May. There is a nice balance of experience and young talent in the side, including Welsh international goalkeeper Martin Thomas, top-scorer last season Simon Surridge, and the fans' favourite Gayle, who now has a cult following at St Andrews following his Wembley double strike.

Three new faces arrived at the club during the close-season. These were Paul Mardon, former Ipswich and Norwich forward Louie Donowa, and Mr Cooper's own son Mark, who has followed his dad from Exeter City.

City have started the new campaign in fine style, winning four of their opening five matches. They are placed second in Division Three, losing out on top spot to Stockport County who have a better goal difference. Recently, City won 2-1 at Hull City with goals from Surridge and Rodgeron, but the man who impressed the eye most was new signing Donowa, who played a part in both goals.

The Town will have to be at their best to stop this "roller-coaster" side in its tracks. Come to Kenilworth Road on September 25 to spur the Town to victory, and to hopefully set up a comfortable away leg at St Andrews on October 8th.



Iain Dowie is pictured scoring the winning goal in our last meeting with Birmingham City, a pre-season friendly in August 1990.

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Guest spot

By John Litster

How to start your collection

One of the fascinating aspects of programme collecting is that no two collections are alike – each is unique to the individual collector, reflecting his or her footballing influences, matches attended, and areas of special interest. Another feature of the hobby is that vast sums of money need not be spent – collecting football programmes can be tailored to anyone's age or budget.

A programme collection can be of any size – it can amount to tens of thousands of programmes accumulated over many years, or it can comprise this week's and next week's issues on the way towards building a collection. If a

journey of a thousand miles starts with a single step, then a collection to be proud of starts with a single issue.

The obvious starting point is to retain programmes from matches attended. These will assume a greater importance in years to come, because as you review the hundreds or thousands of programmes, you can relate special personal memories to programmes of matches attended. Friends and relatives will probably attend other matches, so why not ask them to buy an extra programme for you?

Amongst friends and schoolmates, there will inevitably be others who share an interest in football and programmes.

Swapping duplicated issues is another good way of adding to a small collection, and this can be done by obtaining more than one programme from the matches attended, in order to exchange surplus copies for other match programmes. Exchanging a programme in your collection for another issue with a fellow collector can help towards building a "set" or speciality of programmes in your collection – a subject we will discuss in the next article.

**Programme Monthly is available from 14 Raith Crescent, Kirkcaldy, Fife, KY2 5NN, priced £1.30 plus 30p postage.*

Keeping track – your day-by-day football diary

August 30 – Sheffield United "hard man" Vinny Jones signs for Chelsea for £575,000 on a four year contract. Manager Ian Porterfield says Vinny will add steel to his midfield....Former Town favourite Iain Dowie signs for Southampton from West Ham United in a £750,000 deal.

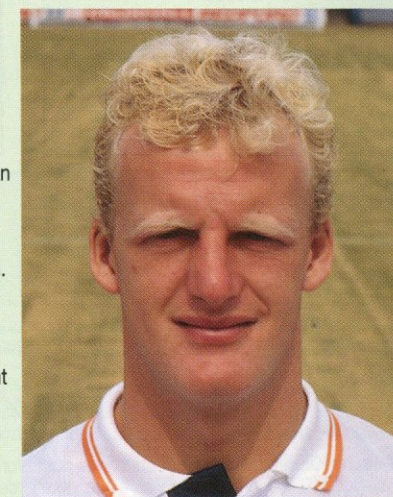
August 31 – Kingsley Black joins Nottingham Forest for £1.5 million, he watches his new side destroy neighbours Notts County 4-0....The Town go down 4-1 at Chelsea, Philip Gray scores Luton's first goal of the season...Manchester United go three points clear at the top of the First Division following a 1-1 draw with Leeds United...Liverpool name David Moores as chairman following the resignation of Noel White....Birmingham City sign Bristol City winger Louie Donowa for £50,000.

September 2 – Don Mackay is sacked as Blackburn Rovers manager because of the

team's poor start to the season....Tottenham's Paul Walsh is fined, suspended and put on the transfer list following a punch-up with reserve team boss Ray Clemence.

September 3 – Marc North joins Grimsby Town on loan following an unsuccessful loan spell here at Kenilworth Road, meanwhile Nottingham Forest's Lee Glover joins the Town for a loan period and is immediately named to start the game with Southampton.

September 4 – The Town win their first league game of the new campaign, beating Southampton in a bad tempered game which saw Southampton's Richard Hall sent off. Richard Harvey and Philip Gray scored the Town's goals....League newcomers Barnet go third in Division Four following a 6-0 thrashing of Lincoln City....In Scotland Celtic crash out of the Skol Cup to Airdrie after a penalty shoot-out.



Iain Dowie becomes a Saint

Reserves and youth

By Terry Westley and John Moore



Neville Ovenden Football Combination 1991-92

Tues 20 Aug	Charlton Athletic	2-1
Wed 28 Aug	Ipswich Town	0-3
Mon 2 Sept	Arsenal	0-1
Mon 9 Sept	Charlton Athletic	1-0
Fri 20 Sept	Norwich City	
Mon 23 Sept	Millwall	
Tues 1 Oct	West Ham United	
Mon 7 Oct	Oxford United	
Sat 12 Oct	Tottenham Hotspur	
Mon 14 Oct	Norwich City	
Sat 19 Oct	Arsenal	
Mon 21 Oct	Millwall	
Mon 28 Oct	Chelsea	
Sat 2 Nov	Portsmouth	
Mon 11 Nov	West Ham United	
Mon 18 Nov	Tottenham Hotspur	
Mon 25 Nov	Wimbledon	
Mon 2 Dec	Brighton & Hove Albion	
Tues 10 Dec	Reading	
Mon 16 Dec	Fulham	
Mon 6 Jan	Ipswich Town	
Tues 14 Jan	Wimbledon	
Mon 20 Jan	Crystal Palace	
Mon 27 Jan	Queens Park Rangers	
Mon 3 Feb	Watford	
Wed 12 Feb	Oxford United	
Wed 19 Feb	Swindon Town	
Tues 25 Feb	Queens Park Rangers	
Mon 2 Mar	Crystal Palace	
Tue 10 Mar	Watford	
Mon 16 Mar	Southampton	
Mon 23 Mar	Reading	
Tues 31 Mar	Chelsea	
Mon 6 Apr	Swindon Town	
Sat 11 Apr	Southampton	
Mon 13 Apr	Portsmouth	
Wed 15 Apr	Fulham	
Wed 22 Apr	Brighton & Hove Albion	

Please note all home fixtures up to and including January 1992 will be played at Dunstable Football Club, Creasey Park Ground, Brewers Hill Road, Dunstable. After this, they will be played here at Kenilworth Road.

NEVILLE OVENDEN FOOTBALL COMBINATION

1991-92

	P	W	D	L	Goals F	A	Pts
Southampton	5	4	0	1	12	5	12
Arsenal	4	3	0	1	8	3	9
Chelsea	5	2	2	1	11	4	8
Swindon Town	3	2	1	0	9	4	7
Tottenham Hotspur	4	2	1	1	7	3	7
Oxford United	5	2	1	2	9	9	7
Norwich City	3	2	0	1	10	2	6
Q.P.R.	3	2	0	1	4	3	6
Fulham	4	2	0	2	4	4	6
Watford	4	2	0	2	3	4	6
Brighton & Hove Albion	4	2	0	2	7	10	6
Millwall	4	1	2	1	5	7	5
Wimbledon	3	1	1	1	6	6	4
Ipswich Town	3	1	1	1	6	6	4
Portsmouth	3	1	0	2	8	8	3
LUTON TOWN	3	1	0	2	2	5	3
Charlton Athletic	4	1	0	3	4	11	3
Reading	4	1	0	3	7	16	3
Crystal Palace	3	0	1	2	3	8	1
West Ham United	3	0	0	3	1	8	0

up to and including 7.09.91

RESERVES - APPEARANCES AND GOALSCORERS

Football Combination	App	Goals	Football Combination	App	Goals
Allpress	4	-	Nogan	3	1
Beaumont	1	-	North	1	1
Campbell	2(2)	-	Petterson	2	-
Farrell	2	-	Rees	4	1
Gillard	4	-	Salton	3	-
Gormley	-(3)	-	Sommer	2	-
Harvey	1	-	Telfer	4	-
Holsgrove	3	-	Tighe	2(1)	-
Jackson	2	-	Williams M	2(2)	-
James	2	-			

Match Digest

Fixture: Norwich City

Venue: Kenilworth Road

Date: September 10, 1991

Competition: Southern Junior Floodlit Cup

Result: 3-3

Scorers: McDonough, Goodfellow and Hartson

Team: Watkiss, Holtham, Skelton, Elliott, Philp, Green, Murray, Rogers, McDonough, Goodfellow, Ryan. Subs: Draper, Hartson.

Notes and News

Our youth team survived a tremendous battle against Norwich City last week to keep alive their hopes in the Southern Junior Floodlit Cup preliminary round. After being reduced to 10 men following the dismissal of goalkeeper Watkiss for a handling offence outside his area, they fought back to force a replay at Carrow Road. This was due to take place last night (Monday) after our press deadlines. We can only hope the boys were able to rise to the occasion again.

Congratulations to Mark Pembridge on winning his first full cap for Wales last week. His example to younger players, after coming through the ranks, has been a great encouragement to everyone.

South East Counties League 1991-92

Sat 17 Aug	Bristol City	3-0
Sat 24 Aug	Maidstone United	0-7
Sat 31 Aug	Swindon Town	1-2
Sat 7 Sept	Bournemouth	3-1
Tues 10 Sept	Norwich City (SJFC)	3-3
Sat 14 Sept	Aldershot	
Mon 16 Sept	Norwich City (SJFC R)	
Sat 21 Sept	Brighton & Hove Albion and Luton	
	SECLC 1 - bye	
Sat 28 Sept	Oxford United	
Sat 5 Oct	Brentford	
Sat 12 Oct	Crystal Palace	
Sat 19 Oct	Tottenham Hotspur	
Sat 26 Oct	Southampton or Bristol City	
	SECLC 2	
Sat 2 Nov	Reading	
Sat 9 Nov	FAYC 1	
Sat 16 Nov	Bristol Rovers	
Sat 23 Nov	Southampton	
Sat 30 Nov	SECLC 3	
Sat 7 Dec	Wimbledon	
Sat 14 Dec	Brighton & Hove Albion	
Sat 21 Dec	Bristol City	
Sat 4 Jan	Maidstone United	
Sat 11 Jan	Swindon Town	
Sat 18 Jan	Bournemouth	
Sat 25 Jan	Aldershot	
Sat 1 Feb	Oxford United	
Sat 8 Feb	Brentford	
Sat 15 Feb	Crystal Palace	
Sat 22 Feb	Tottenham Hotspur	
Sat 29 Feb	Reading	
Sat 14 Mar	Bristol Rovers	
Sat 21 Mar	Southampton	
Sat 28 Mar	Wimbledon	

SOUTH EAST COUNTIES DIVISION 2 SEASON 1991-92

	P	W	D	L	Goals F	A	Pts
Brentford	4	4	0	0	11	0	8
Crystal Palace	3	3	0	0	12	3	6
Wimbledon	4	2	1	1	11	4	5
Oxford United	3	2	0	1	7	3	4
Brighton & Hove Albion	3	2	0	1	4	1	4
Maidstone United	4	2	0	2	10	9	4
Aldershot	4	2	0	2	5	4	4
LUTON TOWN	4	2	0	2	7	10	4
Swindon Town	4	2	0	2	3	6	4
Bristol City	4	2	0	2	2	8	4
Reading	4	1	1	2	10	11	3
Tottenham Hotspur	4	1	0	3	8	13	2
Bristol Rovers	4	1	0	3	9	16	2
Southampton	3	0	1	2	1	5	1
Bournemouth	4	0	1	3	3	10	1

Up to and including 7th September 1991

YOUTH TEAM - APPEARANCES AND GOALSCORERS

	S.E.C.L		S.J.F.C.		S.E.C.LC		F.A. YTH CUP	
	App	Gls	App	Gls	App	Gls	App	Gls
Brittain	3	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Draper	-(2)	-	-(1)	-	-	-	-	-
Elliott	4	-	1	-	-	-	-	-
Goodfellow	1	-	1	1	-	-	-	-
Green	4	-	1	-	-	-	-	-
Hancock	3	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Hartson	3	1	-(1)	1	-	-	-	-
Holtam	4	1	1	-	-	-	-	-
McDonough	2	3	1	1	-	-	-	-
Murray	2	-	1	-	-	-	-	-
Newman	2(1)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Philp	4	-	1	-	-	-	-	-
Rogers	4	2	1	-	-	-	-	-
Ryan	2	-	1	-	-	-	-	-
Skelton	2(2)	1	-	-	-	-	-	-
Smith	2(2)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Sutton	1(1)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Watkiss	1	-	1	-	-	-	-	-

Match Digest

Fixture: Arsenal

Venue: Dunstable Town FC

Date: 2nd September, 1991

Competition: Neville Ovenden Football Combination

Result: 0-1

Team: Petterson, Allpress, Gillard, Holsgrove, Beaumont, Salton, Williams, Farrell, Rees, Tighe, Telfer. Subs: Gormley, Campbell.

Coach's Comment: Plenty of effort was put in for no reward. We failed to take our chances of which two were excellent with only the goalkeeper to beat. I thought we deserved better but you don't always get what you deserve.

Match Digest

Fixture: Charlton Athletic

Venue: Dunstable Town F.C.

Date: 9th September, 1991

Competition: Neville Ovenden Football Combination

Result: 1-0 Half-time: 1-0

Scorer: Rees (penalty)

Team: Sommer, Telfer, Gillard, Allpress, Salton, James, Rees, Holsgrove, Morgan, Tighe, Williams, Subs: Campbell, Gormley.

Coach's comment: Started the game in the correct manner, and got an early penalty. Unfortunately never able to capitalise further, but solid at the back to secure a good victory.

Gatorade Sports Beverage is the Official Sports Drink of Luton Town F.C.



Facts and fixtures



BARCLAYS LEAGUE DIVISION ONE

15th September, 1991

Home						Away						GD	Pts		
P	W	D	L	F	A	P	W	D	L	F	A				
8	3	1	0	7	1	—	1.	Manchester United	3	1	0	4	1	+9	20
7	2	2	0	7	3	—	2.	Leeds United	2	1	0	6	1	+9	15
7	3	1	0	7	3	—	3.	Liverpool	1	1	1	3	3	+4	14
8	3	0	2	9	3	—	4.	Coventry City	1	1	1	4	4	+6	13
7	3	0	1	10	6	—	5.	Sheffield Wednesday	1	1	1	3	3	+4	13
6	1	0	1	3	3	—	6.	Tottenham Hotspur	3	1	0	7	3	+4	13
8	3	0	1	7	5	—	7.	Manchester City	1	1	2	2	5	-1	13
8	3	0	1	10	7	—	8.	Nottingham Forest	1	0	3	6	5	+4	12
8	1	2	1	8	6	—	9.	Chelsea	2	1	1	5	5	+2	12
8	2	1	1	6	4	—	10.	Arsenal	1	1	2	8	9	+1	11
7	2	0	1	6	2	—	11.	Wimbledon	1	1	2	7	9	+2	10
8	3	1	0	9	4	—	12.	Oldham Athletic	0	0	4	3	8	0	10
6	2	0	1	6	7	—	13.	Crystal Palace	1	1	1	5	5	-1	10
8	1	2	1	4	4	—	14.	Norwich City	1	2	1	5	6	-1	10
8	2	0	2	4	7	—	15.	Notts County	1	1	2	4	5	-4	10
8	1	1	2	3	3	—	16.	Aston Villa	1	2	1	6	7	-1	9
8	2	1	0	4	2	—	17.	LUTON TOWN	0	1	4	1	14	-11	8
8	1	2	1	4	4	—	18.	West Ham United	0	2	2	2	5	-3	7
8	1	3	0	6	4	—	19.	Everton	0	0	4	4	9	-3	6
8	1	1	2	3	5	—	20.	Sheffield United	0	1	3	5	9	-6	5
8	0	1	3	3	9	—	21.	Southampton	1	1	2	5	5	-6	5
8	0	3	1	3	5	—	22.	Q.P.R.	0	1	3	2	8	-8	4

APPEARANCES AND GOALSCORERS 1991-92

	League		Rmblws Cup		FA Cup		ZD Cup	
	Apps	Goals	Apps	Goals	Apps	Goals	Apps	Goals
David Beaumont	5(1)	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Kingsley Black	4	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Alec Chamberlain	8	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
John Dreyer	8	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Sean Farrell	3(1)	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Lee Glover	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Philip Gray	5(2)	2	—	—	—	—	—	—
Mick Harford	1	2	—	—	—	—	—	—
Richard Harvey	5	1	—	—	—	—	—	—
Paul Holsgrove	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Matthew Jackson	3(2)	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Darron McDonough	8	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Kurt Nogan	1(3)	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Trevor Peake	5	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Mark Pembridge	8	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
David Preece	8	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Graham Rodger	6(1)	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Brian Stein	7	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Paul Telfer	—(2)	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Steve Thompson	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—

Luton Town

Aug 17	West Ham United (A)	0-0	25,071	-	Chamberlain	Beaumont	Harvey	McDonough	Rodger	Dreyer	(Farrell)	Preece	Stein	Pembridge	Black	[Gray]	James
Aug 21	Coventry City	0-5	10,081	-	Chamberlain	Beaumont	Harvey	McDonough	Rodger	Dreyer	Farrell	Preece	(Stein)	Pembridge	Black	[Gray]	James
Aug 24	Liverpool	0-0	11,131	19	Chamberlain	Beaumont	Harvey	McDonough	Rodger	Dreyer	Gray	Preece	Stein	Pembridge	Black	Jackson	Farrell
Aug 27	Arsenal	0-2	25,891	22	Chamberlain	(Beaumont)	Dreyer	(McDonough)	Rodger	Peake	Gray	Preece	Stein	Pembridge	Black	[Jackson]	[Farrell]
Aug 31	Chelsea	1-4	17,451	22	Chamberlain	(Beaumont)	Dreyer	McDonough	Rodger	Peake	GRAY ¹	Preece	Stein	Pembridge	(Farrell)	[Jackson]	[Nogan]
Sept 4	Southampton	2-1	8,051	19	Chamberlain	(Jackson)	HARVEY ¹	McDonough	Dreyer	Peake	GRAY ¹	Preece	(Glover)	Pembridge	Stein	[Beaumont]	[Nogan]
Sept 7	Wimbledon	0-3	3,231	20	Chamberlain	Jackson	(Harvey)	McDonough	Dreyer	Peake	Gray	Preece	Nogan	Pembridge	(Holsgrove)	[Telfer]	[Rodger]
Sept 14	Oldham Athletic	2-1	9,001	17	Chamberlain	Jackson	Dreyer	(McDonough)	Rodger	Peake	Preece	(Stein)	HARFORD ²	Pembridge	Thompson	[Telfer]	[Nogan]
Sept 17	Queens Park Rangers																
Sept 21	Manchester United																
Sept 25	Birmingham City (RLC2-1)																
Sept 28	Notts County																
Oct 5	Aston Villa																
Oct 8	Birmingham City (RLC2-2)																
Oct 19	Sheffield Wednesday																
Oct 26	Norwich City																
Oct 30	RLC 3																
Nov 2	Everton																
Nov 16	Tottenham Hotspur																
Nov 23	Manchester City																
Nov 30	Sheffield United																
Dec 4	RLC 4																
Dec 7	Leeds United																
Dec 15	Crystal Palace																
Dec 20	Coventry City																
Dec 26	Arsenal																
Dec 28	Chelsea																
Jan 1	Nottingham Forest																
Jan 4	FAC 3																
Jan 8	RLC 5																
Jan 11	Liverpool																
Jan 18	West Ham United																
Jan 25	FAC 4																
Feb 1	Sheffield Wednesday																
Feb 8	Norwich City																
Feb 12	RLC SF1L																
Feb 15	Manchester City																
Feb 22	Sheffield United																
Feb 29	Leeds United																
Mar 4	RLC SF2L																
Mar 7	Crystal Palace																
Mar 11	Tottenham Hotspur																
Mar 14	Everton																
Mar 21	Southampton																
Mar 28	Nottingham Forest																
Apr 4	Wimbledon																
Apr 11	Oldham Athletic																
Apr 12	RLC FINAL																
Apr 18	Manchester United																
Apr 20	Queens Park Rangers																
Apr 25	Aston Villa																
May 2	Notts County																
May 9	FA CUP FINAL																

THE MAN IN CHARGE

Paul A. Durkin (Portland, Dorset)

A fitter by occupation, Paul is married with one son. He began refereeing in 1974 and progressed via the Dorset and Western Leagues to the full Football League list in 1987. He lists his hobbies as D.I.Y. and playing golf.

DIVISION ONE LEADING GOALSCORERS:

Lineker (Tottenham) 7, Smith (Arsenal) 6, Marshall (Oldham) 5, Strachan (Leeds Utd), Johnson (Notts County), Shearer (Southampton), Fashanu (Wimbledon) and Keane (Nottingham Forest) 4.

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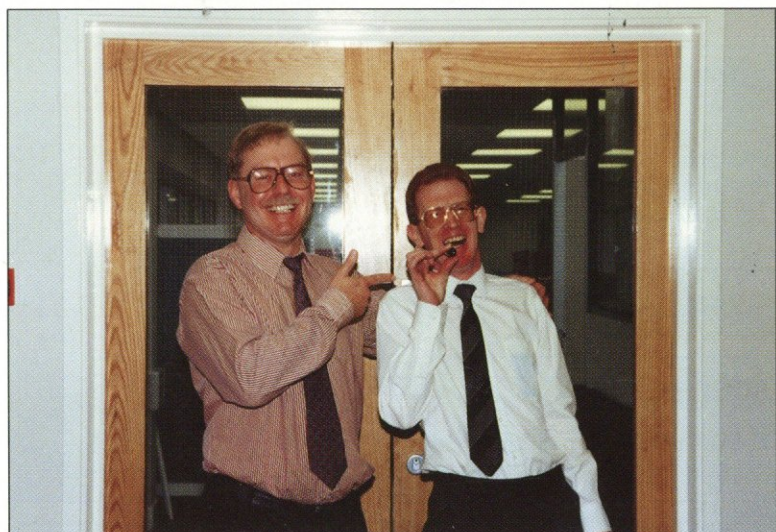
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Business scene

By Wendy Grzybowska



Gary Brigden (left) enjoys the joke with his friend and fellow-director Roger Eade

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- ☐ a full range of refreshments at the half-time interval

- ☐ a match-day programme for each guest
- ☐ reserved car parking
- ☐ advertising in the matchday programme, on the in-house video broadcasts and also on the public address system in the stadium
- ☐ a souvenir photograph of the party.

Prices for the package start from £900 plus VAT.

If you are interested, or know of a company who might be, please telephone me on 0582-411622. It is a great package and, of course, the money spent represents great support for the club.

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A warm welcome tonight to our joint match sponsors who will be our first guests in the new purpose-built sponsors' lounge. We hope they enjoy a tremendous evening with pleasure and satisfaction on and off the pitch.

Welcome to Gerry Atkinson and Phil Branston from Anachem Ltd, to the guests of SKF (UK) Service Ltd., based in Milton Keynes, Willy Brooks of Gatmay Ltd and Paul Denton of the National Westminster Bank, Dunstable branch.

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Our match ball sponsor tonight is Gary Brigden. To ensure there is no mystery about him, Roger Eade, a fellow-director of Gary's, has contributed the following message which tells us all about him...

"Gary had the misfortune to be born a mere stone's throw from Vicarage Road, Watford, and as a consequence grew up knowing little or nothing about football. His introduction to Mr Paul James, a follower of Charlton Athletic, hardly helped his education.

'turning point'

"The turning point came when he met me, Roger Eade, a connoisseur of real football and an avid supporter of Luton Town.

"Gary now realises what he has been missing all these years and tonight sees the fulfilment of a dream, a visit to the Kenilworth Road football academy. Glad you saw the light, Gary!"

Obviously, as our photograph shows, there is some friendly rivalry going on between Gary and Roger. I hope they do not allow this to impair their enjoyment of this evening's match.

Special hospitality package

Luton Town v Notts County

We are offering a very special hospitality package in our new Sponsors Lounge for the fixture against Notts County to be played here on September 28.

This package is offered for this match only at £60 per head plus VAT.

It includes:

- ☐ wine reception
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☐ advertising in the matchday programme

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are 8.45 am to 5.00 pm on Mon to Fri and 8.45 am to 12 noon on non-match Saturdays.

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Team Manager:
David Pleat

White/blue shirts, blue shorts.

Alec Chamberlain
Matthew Jackson
John Dreyer
Darron McDonough
Graham Rodger
Trevor Peake
David Preece
Brian Stein
Mick Harford
Mark Pembridge
Steve Thompson

Q.P.R. |

Team Manager:
Gerry Francis

Red/black hooped shirts,
black shorts.

1 Jan Stejskal
2 David Bardsley
3 Rufus Brevett
4 Andy Sinton
5 Darren Peacock
6 Danny Maddix
7 Dennis Bailey
8 Simon Barker
9 Garry Thompson
10 Roy Wegerle
11 Clive Wilson
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