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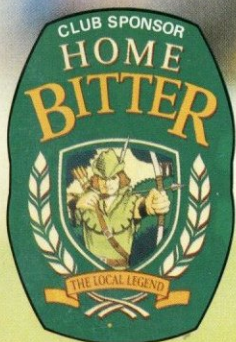
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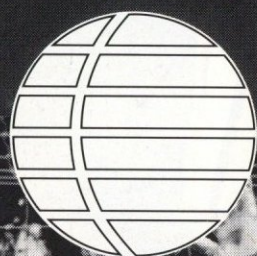
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I'm especially pleased to welcome Luton Town because it couldn't be more appropriate that they should pay us a visit in a week when Junior Magpies celebrate their 10th birthday.

These days, of course, they have developed into Family Magpies and if you trace the organisation back to its roots, Luton played a part in starting the ball rolling.

One of my first duties after I joined the Meadow Lane staff was to travel to Kenilworth Road with representatives of the Evening Post and find out about the scheme Luton operated in conjunction with their local paper.

Although we had plenty of ideas of our own, the Luton scheme formed the basis of what we did when Junior Magpies was launched later that year - initially as a "club" exclusively for the under-16s.

At its peak, we had more than 1,000 members and although Watford used to get most of the accolades for their work in creating the "family atmosphere" in football grounds, the likes of Luton and Notts County also did a lot of good work.

Maybe that is now being recognised because we were one of four clubs recently awarded a £20,000 Jewson's Family Football Grant and that was a welcome contribution towards the £100,000 we have paid to kit-out the new Family Magpies room.

It has given me enormous satisfaction to know that Family Magpies have facilities as good as any around and it was fitting that they moved back to the Meadow Lane end during the summer.

I've always thought of that as "their" area - ever since the early days of the scheme when a dedicated group of parents worked so hard to raise the cash which enabled us to create some terracing for the Juniors.

We've come a long way since then, of course, and although the switch to Family Magpies took a while to become accepted a couple of years ago, it is now proving to be an excellent decision.

At the time of writing, we have 700 junior members - well in front of the figure at this stage last season - and our

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BY NEAL HOOK

highest ever membership of more than 200 adults.

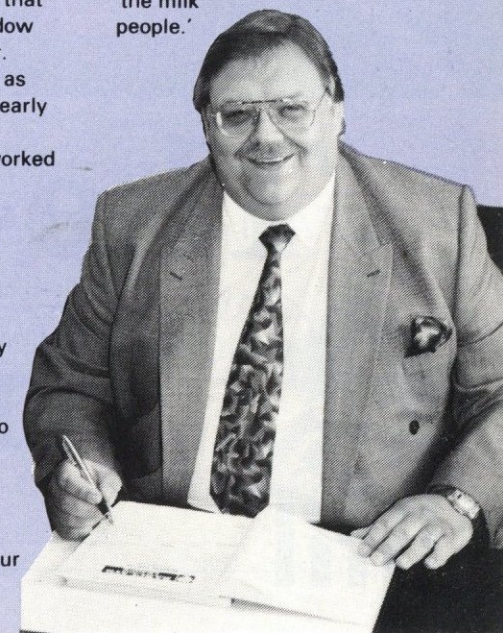
And although the Family stand has not been reserved exclusively for Family Magpies, it's more than coincidence that it has been one of the most densely populated areas at matches so far this season.

That's great to see and no doubt the move during the summer to offer free admission to League matches for children aged 10 and under has had an affect because we currently have about 350 members in that category.

The object of the exercise is to introduce them to life at Meadow Lane at an early age and I'm pleased to say that what seems to be happening is that they are bringing their parents with them.

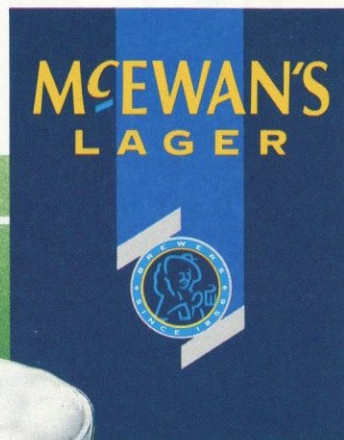
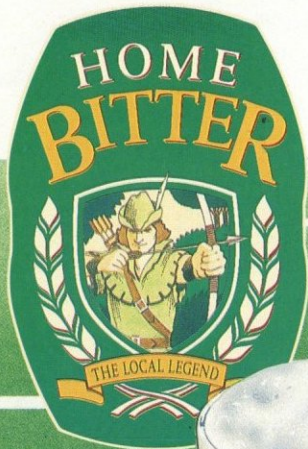
Long may it continue that way because although we have made enormous strides since that trip to Kenilworth Road 10 years ago, there's still plenty of scope for increasing our numbers - and the range of activities.

Finally, I would just like to place on record how much we appreciate the support given to Family Magpies by the Nottingham Evening Post, Radio Trent and our sponsors Dale Farm, 'the milk people.'

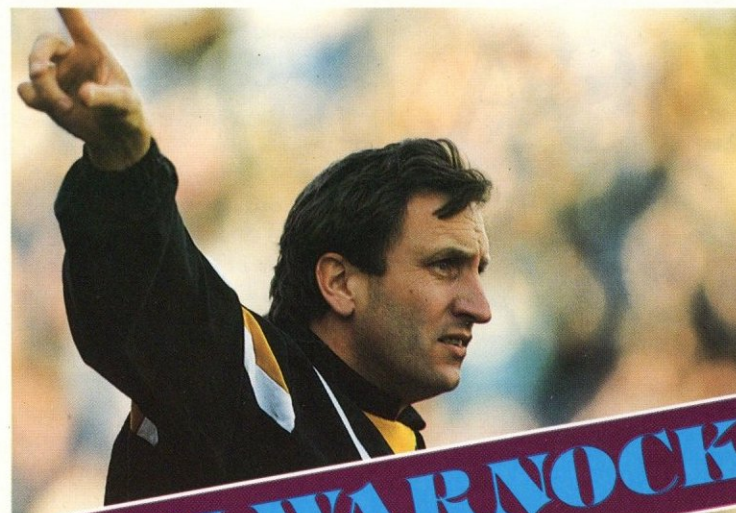




# Home & Away



## The perfect match



### NEIL WARNOCK

I'm sure that like me, you went home thinking the midweek win against Wolves came not before time and I don't mind admitting that I was relieved when we finally broke our duck at Meadow Lane this season.

It was tremendous entertainment for the die-hard supporters to brighten a wet and miserable evening and although I'm obviously pleased that we have a lead to take with us to the second leg at Molineux, I was more concerned with the performance than the result.

We all had a lot to prove after the awful display at Millwall last Saturday and as you may have read,

I was so upset about some of the things that happened in the second half that I seriously considered resigning.

But that mood didn't last for long and having cleared the air with the players the following morning, we set about restoring our self-respect in the game against Wolves.

The lads responded magnificently and considering all our injury problems, it was no mean achievement to overcome a very capable side who haven't yet been beaten in the League this season.

What pleased me more than anything was that we went out to fight for the cause in true Notts County tradition - especially after conceding an early goal.

### "We set about restoring our self-respect"

I can forgive all sorts of things when they are giving 100 per cent effort but I just will not tolerate throwing in the towel as they did at Millwall.

Eight months from now, maybe we will look back on the trip to The Den and say that it was a blessing in disguise. I sincerely hope so and if we can win again this afternoon and start getting some of our injured players back onto the pitch, it will give us cause to believe it really was the turning-point.

As I've already said, it called for a big show of character when we fell behind in the Coca Cola Cup game and having managed to turn things around before half time, crucial decisions went against us in the second half.

I had no complaints about the first penalty Wolves were awarded but Steve Bull deserves congratulations for the second. And to rub salt into the wound, Paul Cook was a very lucky lad in the last minute when he handled on the line and the referee took no action.

How officials at this level of football can fail to spot an offence that everyone else on the ground has seen totally baffles me.

I've sent the referee a copy of the video recording so he can see where he went wrong - but that will be no consolation when we are battling to protect a slender lead in the second leg.

That's for the future. The immediate challenge is to follow it up with our first home win in the League and would it, I wonder, be asking too much to think we might get our first clean-sheet of the season at the same time?

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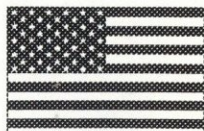
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Rob Matthews inched closer a first-team return this week - spurred on by the memory of his rip-roaring performance against Luton in May.

Matthews capped his first full appearance for us on the final day of last season with two goals, propelling us to victory and shattering Luton's hopes of playing any part in the Premier League.

And now, as he battles to regain full fitness after a cartilage operation, the 21 year old striker is finding comfort in the thought of displays like that.

Matthews, who was able to start running again this week, said: "The Luton game holds a lot of good memories for me - it's just a big shame that I won't be able to play any part this afternoon.

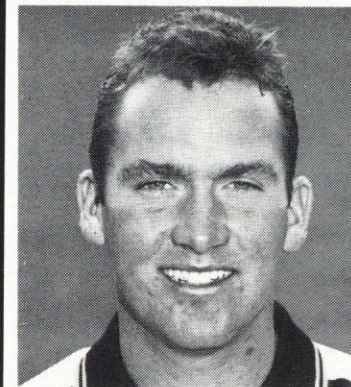
"I can remember the goals clearly and obviously it made it that much more special that it was my first full appearance and it was at Meadow Lane. I'll certainly never forget the experience."

The former Loughborough University student's rapid rise from the obscurity of Shepshed Charterhouse to the First Division scene was real 'Roy of the Rovers' stuff.

But having completed his studies during the summer, collected a degree in Geography and signed a two-year contract with us, it all turned sour for the



**IN BLACK & WHITE**



**ROB MATTHEWS**

man from Windsor last month.

He damaged a hamstring in the opening game of the season at Birmingham. At least, he thought he had but it was discovered a few days later that the root cause was a cartilage problem.

That left him facing surgery and a frustrating spell on the sidelines and he added philosophically: "It was all too good to last wasn't it?"

"Everything went so well for

me towards the end of last season, what with getting in the side, scoring a few goals and of course earning myself a contract. I suppose something had to go wrong somewhere along the line.

"I've never really had a serious injury before - the worst I'd had was a twisted ankle when I was 13 - so in many ways it's been a new experience for me.

"And like nearly all players, I'm not the best at watching games from the stands. It makes it doubly frustrating when the team are struggling as well.

"But I'm really looking forward to playing again. I was able to start running again this week and hopefully I should be back to full fitness in two weeks time, if the knee holds up all right."

Matthews is expecting to have to battle to force his way back into the first-team limelight, though. "Just because I scored a few goals last season doesn't mean I'll walk straight back into the side," he says.

"But I'm really looking forward to the challenge and hopefully it won't be too long before I'm helping us mount a concerted bid for promotion.

"We may not have made the best of starts but there are still plenty of points to play for and I'm sure we'll be there or thereabouts come the end of the season."

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# THEN & NOW

## COLIN SLATER REMEMBERS...

I am delighted that so many former Notts players, over the period of my 33 seasons (to date!) in the Press box here, remain good friends; it's a pleasure to keep in touch from time to time. But in this feature, new to the club programme this season, I shall not write about any ex-player with whom I enjoy closer personal ties than David Coates.

He is the subject of this piece because Luton Town are another of his former clubs - not as a player but on the management side, during David Pleat's first spell as manager there.

Coates is one of the relatively few players from these past three decades who has remained in the game once his playing days were over. Reflect, for example, on the fact that only two former Notts players are still on the Meadow Lane payroll: Les Bradd and Alan Young.

It was on 1st July, 1964 that Coates became one of the comparatively few post-war players to join Notts from Mansfield Town. The previous season he had made 29 League and Cup appearances for the Stags, scoring four goals.

Three of those came in a Field Mill match against Bristol City on Easter Monday - 30th March, 1964 - when Mansfield won by 4-0. It was the only hat-trick of his first-class career.

Those were the days when we hadn't invented words like mid-field players and strikers to describe players' positions. In old-fashioned language, David was a wing half-back or inside forward and, both for Mansfield and Notts, played in both roles.

He was signed for Notts by manager Eddie Lowe in the summer after the unexpected and disastrous relegation to the Fourth Division and his seasons here were all spent in the Football League

basement during probably the worst period in the club's history.

After Eddie Lowe had left County, and Andy Beattie was part of the management team, he had the inspiration of using Coates in a sweeper role, not then much in favour in the game, and it was his best time with Notts.

David was one of many players to emerge from that hotbed of soccer, the North East. His family home was at Washington, where his father was a member of the local council and one year its Chairman. David inherits his father's passionate interest in politics and current affairs and love of a keen argument.

His first club was Hull City, whom he joined in 1955 and helped to promotion to the Second Division in 1959 and it was while playing there that he met his wife, Sheila.

When he left Notts he was offered his first job on the coaching-scouting side of the game by Aston Villa manager Tommy Cummings, with whom he had played at Mansfield.

It's a sign of the uncertainty of football management that he has since been associated with several clubs. After Villa it was Leicester City (the family home has been in Leicester for many years), then Luton and, after a variety of other appointments, he is now chief scout for Peter Shilton at Plymouth Argyle. In this and other jobs he's remained a regular visitor to Meadow Lane over the years.

He's also a key organiser behind the reunion evenings held from time to time for former Notts and Mansfield players. (Memo to David Coates: It seems too long since the last one was held...!)

He is also mad on cricket, enjoying visits to Test and International matches at Trent Bridge and Lord's, in particular, each summer.

David and Sheila have two daughters, one married, living in Lancashire and qualified as a doctor. And it must be one of his greatest personal hopes that their son Stephen, still in his early teens, will follow him into professional sport... be it football or cricket!

### PAUL SMITH

DATE & PLACE OF BIRTH: 25th September 1974.

POSITION: Striker.

SCHOOL: Bigwood Comprehensive.

REPRESENTATIVE HONOURS: Nottingham City Boys.

HOBBIES: Socialising and most sports - especially golf.

FAVOURITE PLAYER: I've got tremendous admiration for the way Gary Lineker handles himself - on and off the field.

FAVOURITE OTHER TEAM: Halifax Town. I have relatives in that area and have always had a soft spot for them.

CLAIM TO FAME: Scoring six League goals already this season.

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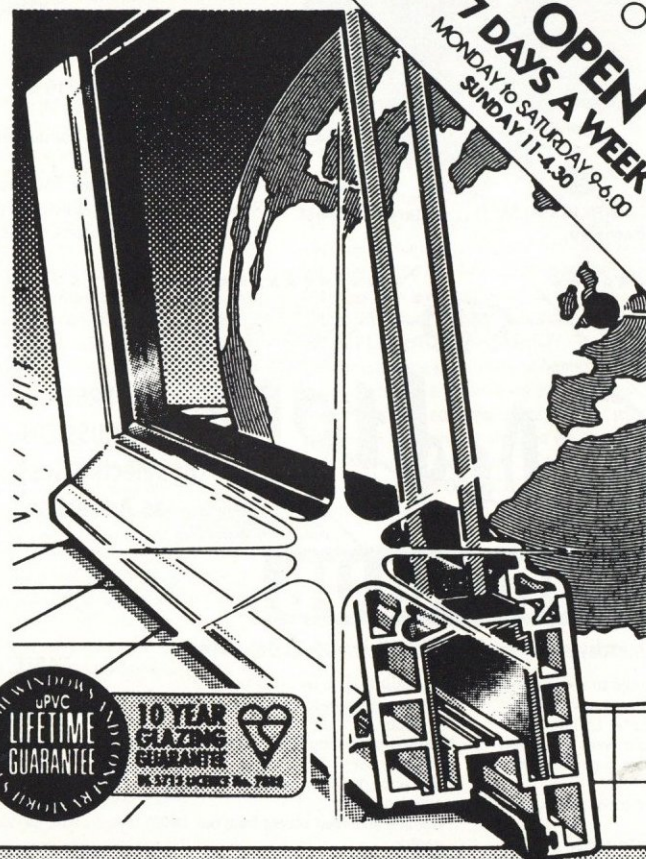
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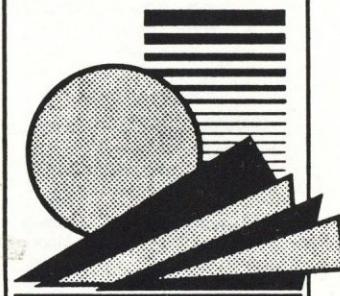
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# ACTION REPLAY

Saturday September 12...

**Purity League**  
**SHREWSBURY 0.**  
**NOTTS COUNTY 3** (Ludlow, Smith, Muir).  
**Team:** Rigby, Malpass, Lawley, Ridgway (Henry), Beale, Horseman, King (Armeni), Galloway, Ludlow, Muir, Smith.

As against Port Vale the previous week, it wasn't until the second half that we really found our form but once Lee Ludlow headed us in front (52 mins), there was only going to be one winner. Paul Smith immediately stretched the lead in fortunate fashion and we went on to win comfortably.

**RUSSELL SLADE'S VERDICT:** "It was clear early on that it wasn't going to be a classic but one of those games where you have to work hard and make sure you take the points. That's what we did and although we seem to be making a habit of reserving our best for the second half, maybe that's not a bad fault to have." **SLADE'S STAR CHOICE:** Paul Smith - a constant threat.

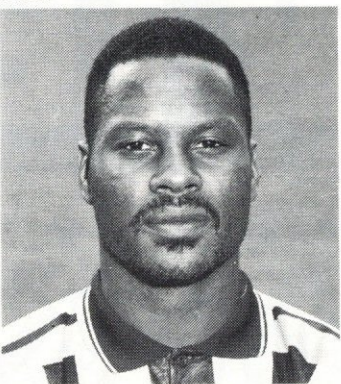
Tuesday September 15...

**Anglo-Italian Cup**  
**NOTTS COUNTY 1** (Palmer).

**BARNSELY 1** (O'Connell).

**Notts County:** Cherry, Palmer, Dijkstra (Thomas), Johnson, Murphy, O'Riordan, Draper, Turner, Lund, Wilson (Slawson), Smith.

**Barnsley:** Butler, Smith, Taggart, Bishop, Fleming, Burton, Liddell, Rammell, Pearson, Redfearn, Archdeacon (O'Connell). Sub: Currie.



**CHARLIE PALMER...** on target against Barnsley.

We had to win and score at least two goals to have any chance of qualifying for the international stage of the competition and the signs were promising when Charlie Palmer grabbed his first goal of the season after 65 mins. But Barnsley levelled (75 mins) while Palmer was off receiving treatment and we played out the final minutes of a disappointing night with 10 men.

**NEIL WARNOCK'S VERDICT:** "It was always going to be difficult to recover from our 4-2 defeat at Derby but what I wanted more than anything was to record our first home win of the season. We didn't do that and to come out of the game with three injuries made it even more depressing." **WARNOCK'S STAR CHOICE:** Charlie Palmer - super at the back and showed the others how to score.

Wednesday September 16...

**Pontins League.**  
**NOTTS COUNTY 1** (Thomas pen),  
**ASTON VILLA 1.**  
**Team:** Catlin, Gallagher, Thomas, Sherlock, Robinson, Cox (Ward), Devlin (Worboys), Simpson, Slawson, Agana, Wells.

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When Paul Cox limped off to be replaced by Richard Ward after 36 mins, it meant that we had four of last season's youth team on view but they helped to earn a creditable point. That didn't seem likely when we fell behind after 68 mins but Dean Thomas blasted in a penalty 11 mins from time after Gavin Worboys had been fouled.

**MICK WALKER'S VERDICT:** "It was important that two successive defeats didn't become three so I was pleased in that sense. We didn't play as well as we can but were short of experience against the best side we have played so far and might well have won it in the closing stages."

**WALKER'S STAR CHOICE:** Dean Thomas - his influence on the kids is smashing.

Saturday September 19...

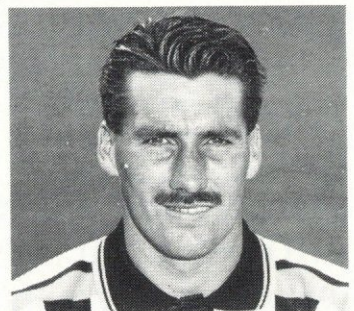
**Barclays League.**  
**MILLWALL 6** (Allen 2, Barber 2, Goodman, Dolby).  
**NOTTS COUNTY 0.**  
**Attendance: 6,689.**  
**Millwall:** Keller, Cunningham, Daws, May (Holsgrave), Cooper, Stevens, Roberts, Dolby, Allen, Goodman (McGinlay), Barber.  
**Notts County:** Cherry, Dijkstra, Thomas, Murphy, D. Robinson, O'Riordan, Draper, Turner, Lund, Wilson (Slawson), Smith. Sub: Gallagher.

Dave Robinson's debut could hardly have been more traumatic. It was against the run of play when Millwall scored after 17 minutes and we were unlucky not to be level at half time after Dean Thomas had struck the bar. But Millwall added three more goals in the space of four minutes and we eventually suffered our heaviest defeat for 10 years.

**NEIL WARNOCK'S VERDICT:** "It was easy to make excuses with nine senior players injured but there was absolutely no excuse for the way in which we threw in the towel after the second goal went in. I know

we had problems but we ought to have been in front by the time Millwall scored - and stayed there."

**WARNOCK'S STAR CHOICE:** Dean Thomas - one of the few who did himself justice.



**DEAN THOMAS...** star man for both the first-team and reserves.

Saturday September 19...

**Purity League.**  
**NOTTS COUNTY 1** (Smith),  
**STOKE CITY 0.**  
**Team:** Rigby (Armeni), Malpass, Lawley, Ridgway, Beale, Horseman, Dodson, Galloway, Ludlow (King), Muir, Smith.

Paul Smith's sixth goal in the last five matches - after 16 mins - proved decisive but we had to battle hard to protect the lead. That especially applied in the final half-hour after Malcolm Rigby had been concussed but Jodie Malpass was well-protected as we kept a clean-sheet for the third successive game. **RUSSELL SLADE'S VERDICT:** "The fact that Stoke were previously unbeaten was a measure of the achievement and although I thought they shaded the second half, I was pleased at the way we showed we can battle when the chips are down."

**SLADE'S STAR CHOICE:** Jamie Muir - his ability to win the ball in midfield was a key factor.

## US & THEM

We're not including cup goals in the Us & Them statistics but if we were, it would fall in with the pattern which is already beginning to emerge.

In League games so far, the period between 11 and 25 minutes is the most popular for scoring and conceding goals and in the Coca-Cola tie against Wolves, Steve Bull gave them the lead after 11 minutes and Gary Lund equalised after 20.

Paul Cook's late penalty - the second cup goal we have conceded in that time-span this season - couldn't prevent us from claiming our first home win of the season.

Now we are seeking our first at home in the League since... Luton Town were the visitors almost five months ago.

Time	Goals Scored (County ● Opponents ○)
0-10	○ ○
11-25	● ● ● ● ○ ○ ○ ○
26-40	○ ○ ○ ○
41-50	○ ○ ○ ○
51-65	● ● ● ● ○ ○ ○ ○
66-80	● ● ● ● ○ ○ ○ ○
81-90	● ○

## PONTINS LEAGUE DIVISION ONE

		F	A
Aug 20	Sheffield United	A 5	3
Aug 26	Barnsley	H 2	0
Sept 3	Nottingham Forest	A 0	2
Sept 8	Manchester City	H 2	3
Sept 16	Aston Villa	H 1	1
Sept 23	Sunderland	A 2	2
Oct 1	Newcastle United	A	
Oct 6	Manchester United	H	
Oct 13	Sheffield Wednesday	H	
Oct 21	Leeds United	A	
Oct 27	Wolves	H	
Nov 10	Liverpool	H	
Nov 19	Stoke City	A	
Nov 25	Bolton Wanderers	A	
Dec 1	Blackburn Rovers	H	
Dec 8	Rotherham United	A	
Dec 15	Leicester City	H	
Dec 22	Stoke City	H	
Dec 29	Liverpool	A	
Jan 6	Aston Villa	A	
Jan 12	Sunderland	H	
Jan 19	Nottingham Forest	H	
Feb 3	Barnsley	A	
Feb 10	Sheffield United	H	
Feb 16	Manchester City	A	
Feb 23	Newcastle United	H	
Mar 3	Manchester United	A	
Mar 10	Sheffield Wednesday	A	
Mar 17	Blackburn Rovers	A	
Mar 30	Bolton Wanderers	H	
Apr 14	Leicester City	A	
Apr 20	Rotherham United	H	
Apr 28	Wolves	A	
May 4	Leeds United	H	

## MIDLAND PURITY YOUTH LEAGUE

		F	A
Aug 15	Wolves	A 1	1
Aug 22	Nottingham Forest	H 1	1
Aug 29	Peterborough United	A 1	1
Sept 5	Port Vale	H 4	0
Sept 12	Shrewsbury Town	A 3	0
Sept 19	Stoke City	H 1	0
Oct 3	West Bromwich Albion	H	
Oct 10	Aston Villa	A	
Oct 17	Birmingham City	H	
Oct 24	Derby County LC2	H	
Oct 31	Derby County	H	
Nov 7	Shrewsbury Town	H	
Nov 14	Grimsby Town	A	
Nov 21	Leicester City	H	
Nov 28	LC3	A	
Dec 5	Mansfield Town	H	
Dec 12	Coventry City	A	
Dec 19	Northampton Town	A	
Jan 2	Northampton Town	H	
Jan 9	Wolves	H	
Jan 16	Nottingham Forest	A	
Jan 23	LC SF	A	
Jan 30	Peterborough United	H	
Feb 6	Port Vale	A	
Feb 13	Stoke City	A	
Feb 20	Walsall	H	
Feb 27	West Bromwich Albion	A	
Mar 6	Aston Villa	H	
Mar 13	Lincoln City	A	
Mar 20	Birmingham City	A	
Mar 27	Coventry City	H	
Apr 3	Derby County	A	
Apr 10	Grimsby Town	H	
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## FACTFILE

### RECORD LEAGUE VICTORY

It's 56 years since Luton chalked up their biggest League victory - a 12-0 win over Bristol Rovers in Division Three South during the 1935-36 campaign.

Joe Payne scored an incredible 10 times that day and the following season a record 55 League goals.

In fact, Luton scored 103 times in the League that season... which in itself is a club record.

Incidentally, the record for the most number of League goals scored by a Luton player in total is held by Gordon Turner, who scored 243 times from 1949 to 1963.

### RECORD CUP VICTORY

Luton's record Cup victory came in the F.A. Cup in 1927 when they beat Clapton 9-0 in a first-round tie that was replayed after the initial match had been abandoned.

But perhaps the club's most memorable moment in Cup football came four years ago when they won the Littlewoods Cup, upsetting the form book to beat Arsenal in the final.

### MAL'S MILESTONE

Mal Donaghy, who recently joined Chelsea from Manchester United, became Luton's most capped player during his spell with Luton earlier in his career.

He's now played more than 75 times for Northern Ireland and won 58 of his caps while at Kenilworth Road.

### BOB'S 16-YEAR SERVICE

Bob Morton holds the Bedfordshire Club's record for the most number of League appearances. He turned out no less than 494 times for 'The Hatters' between 1948 and 1964.

## ON VIEW TODAY

# LUTON

Luton supporters don't need any reminders about the significance of their last visit to Meadow Lane because it was here in May that they surrendered their top-flight status.

The Bedfordshire club had a long history of avoiding the drop by the narrowest of margins and although our fate was already decided, it didn't prevent us from getting tangled up in the tension.

The issue was clear-cut. In order to survive, David Pleat's men had to win their final fixture - while Coventry lost at Aston Villa.

But although Coventry were beaten 2-0, Rob Matthews clearly hadn't read the script. Julian James put Luton in front but the Loughborough University student claimed brilliant goals on either side of half time... and they were decisive.

It was a sad day for Luton, who had battled for 10 years against the odds and Pleat must have spent the summer pondering about what might have been.

Already short of experience, he could ill afford to be without players with long-term injury troubles yet Marvin Johnson, Ceri Hughes and Des Linton were missing for much of the season.

Scott Oakes, the 20 year old winger who followed Pleat from his previous club Leicester, also missed the crucial final weeks of the campaign and there's no doubt those injuries had an influence.

As Pleat admitted at his Press conference, however, after Luton's fate had been sealed at Meadow Lane, maybe the time was right after years of struggling to drop down a

division and re-group.

And although - like us - they seem to have been suffering from relegation blues in the early weeks of the season, there's more than enough talent at Kenilworth Road to steer them away from trouble.

They only managed one point - and one goal - in their first four matches but in recent weeks, they seem to have found their rhythm and new signing Steve Claridge will have been relieved to collect his first goal in the 3-3 draw with Tranmere.

The £175,000 striker scored 12 times last season to help Cambridge win promotion for the second successive year and Pleat will be looking to him to fill Mick Harford's boots in the months ahead.

Harford and Welsh international midfielder Mark Pembridge were Luton's two main-stays last season and it was inevitably going to make a difference when they switched to Chelsea and Derby respectively.

But with more than £1.5million banked from the sale of those two, Luton's financial situation is now far more healthy and it's a case of being patient while the youngsters develop.

Julian James and former Tottenham striker Phil Gray, a £275,000 signing in the summer of 1991, secured Luton's first win of the season at Brentford 13 days ago.

They're just two of the talented band of youngsters Pleat has at his disposal while the likes of Chris Kamara, Trevor Peake and David Preece have important roles to play this season because they are expected to set the example.

## DIRECTING THE PLAY

It was at Kenilworth Road that David Pleat first made a name for himself... as a player and manager!

He began his playing career just across the River Trent at the City Ground but made only a handful of appearances before moving to Luton where he made more of a mark.

After retiring as a player, he returned to the Bedfordshire club in 1974 to take over as reserve team coach. Four years later he was made manager and in 1982 guided the club into the First Division.

He took over at Tottenham in 1986 and led them to an F.A. Cup final appearance before moving on to Leicester in December 1987. He left Filbert Street in January 1991 and within five months was back at the helm at Luton, succeeding Jim Ryan.





# ON VIEW TODAY

## DES LINTON

The 21 year old defender joined Luton 11 months ago from Leicester with Scott Oakes - as part of the deal that took Steve Thompson to Filbert Street - but was injured on his debut against Manchester City and missed the rest of the season.

## SCOTT OAKES

Another player who was ruled out of the closing stages of last season through injury, the 20 year old winger joined Luton from Leicester last October. Made his Football League bow in 1990 and is now regarded as one of the brightest young talents in the First Division.

## ANDY PETTERSON

Originally joined Luton on trial from the Australian Institute of Sport and was offered a contract at the start of the 1988-89 season. Had loan spells with Swindon and Ipswich before making his League debut for 'The Hatters' at Leicester on the opening day of this term.

## JULIAN JAMES

The former England Under-21 international spent the early part of last season on loan at Preston but on his return to Kenilworth Road re-established himself at right-back. Scored on Luton's last visit to Meadow Lane... their 2-1 defeat on the final day of last season.

## DARREN SALTON

Made his League debut for Luton against Leeds at Elland Road last season and is now established as a regular member of the first-team. Born in Edinburgh, he has represented Scotland at schoolboy, youth and Under-21 levels.

## CHRIS KAMARA

The tough-tackling midfielder is now with his sixth club having had two spells with both Portsmouth and Swindon and having also played for Brentford, Stoke and Leeds. Moved to Kenilworth Road in October 1991 and has become a key figure in David Pleat's plans.

## TREVOR PEAKE

Luton's club captain, he started his career with Lincoln before moving to Coventry where he enjoyed eight full seasons and picked up an F.A. Cup winners' medal along the way. Joined Luton for £100,000 in August 1991.

## MARVIN JOHNSON

Didn't figure in Luton's first-team at all last season after rupturing an Achilles tendon but is now back in the limelight. Born in Wembley, he served his apprenticeship at Kenilworth Road and has now made more than 60 League appearances for 'The Hatters.'

## JOHN DREYER

Cost Luton £140,000 from Oxford in 1988 and has represented excellent value for money. In fact, the 29 year old defender - who had loan spells with Torquay and Fulham earlier in his career - has been an ever-present for the past three seasons!



BACK ROW (left to right): Darren Salton, Jamie Campbell, Des Linton, Alec Chamberlain, Marvin Johnson, Juergen Sommer, David Greene, John Dreyer, Chris Kamara. MIDDLE ROW: John Moore (coach), Julian James, Paul Telfer, Tim Allpress, Kurt Nogan, Richard Harvey, Trevor Peake, Brian Owen (physiotherapist). FRONT ROW: Steve Claridge, David Preece, Phil Gray, David Pleat (manager), Ceri Hughes, Jason Rees, Scott Oakes.

## STEVE CLARIDGE

Moved to Luton from Cambridge during the summer for a tribunal set fee of £175,000. Scored 33 goals in three seasons at the Abbey Stadium and has also served Portsmouth (where he suffered a badly broken leg), Bournemouth, Crystal Palace and Aldershot.

## PHIL GRAY

Signed for Luton in August 1991 for £275,000 from Tottenham but missed most of last season through injury. Never really got the chance to establish himself

at Spurs but got valuable League experience during loan spells with Barnsley and Fulham.

## DAVID PREECE

Has been on Luton's books since 1984 when he moved from Walsall for £150,000. Since then he's played in two League Cup finals, made more than 220 League appearances and won three England 'B' caps. Now 29, he's made a fine start to the season.

## JAMIE CAMPBELL

Only 19, the former Kenilworth Road trainee scored his first goal

for Luton on the opening day of the season against Leicester. Turned professional in the summer of 1990 but had to wait until last season before making his debut in a ZDS Cup tie.

## JASON REES

Another testament to the success of Luton's youth policy, the ex-trainee made his League debut on New Year's Day in 1990 as a substitute against Everton. That same season he won his first Under-21 cap with Wales and has since represented his country at 'B' level as well.

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## BACKTRACKING

### FIVE YEARS AGO

Our visit to the top had been short-lived and areas of weakness were confirmed when we went to Chesterfield and were beaten 2-0.

We were looking to bounce straight back from the previous week's defeat by Bristol City - our first of the season - and John Barnwell recalled David Thompson in place of Gary Lund.

As it happened, Lund was soon called off the substitute's bench to try and provide some much-needed inspiration but Tony Coyle (28 mins) and Dave Waller (52 mins) scored the goals which won a bad-tempered match and we ended the day in eighth place in the table.

Queen's Park Rangers provided Luton's opposition that day and they were beaten 2-0 at Loftus Road with Dean Coney and Terry Fenwick the men on target.

### TEN YEARS AGO

It was a sobering experience on 25th September 1982 because Bobby Robson's exciting Ipswich Town team came to Meadow Lane and beat us 6-0!

Previous results had given no hint that such a nasty shock was in store and with Iain McCulloch returning after injury and illness, we were in optimistic mood.



IAIN McCULLOCH... returned against Ipswich.

But Ipswich, yet to record their first win of the season, got rid of all their frustrations and an outstanding display of finishing as Paul Mariner scored twice and Alan Brazil, John Wark, Frans Thijssen and Steve McCall also weighed in with goals.

It was clearly a day for high-scoring games in the First Division because Luton drew 4-4 against Stoke at the Victoria Ground with Paul Walsh (2), Mal Donaghy and Brian Stein getting their goals.

### FIFTEEN YEARS AGO
























There were wholesale changes for the visit of Blackpool to Meadow Lane as Tristan Benjamin, Ian Scanlon and Alan Birchenall were all recalled to the starting line-up.

Having slipped into the Second Division relegation zone after the 5-1 defeat at Fulham, we were desperate for our first win of the season and the signs were promising when Brian Stubbs scored with a spectacular header.

But Tony Finnigan grabbed the goal which gave Blackpool a 1-1 draw and confidence could hardly have been lower.

Luton had an appointment at White Hart Lane that day and David Pleat's team were beaten 2-0 - Chris Jones and Keith Osgood getting the goals for Tottenham.

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All profits are being put towards the enormous cost of refurbishing the ground and if you just glance around you, it's easy to see what's involved.

The draw will take place at half-time during our game with Oxford United on October 24 and season ticket holders and Lifeline members are asked to return all the ticket stubs before noon on the day of the draw.

The second prize, incidentally, is two nights at Euro Disney near Paris and third in a 14" portable TV set. There are also 10 other prizes and if you haven't yet purchased a ticket and would like to do so, call at the County '75 offices.



## PERFECTLY TIMED

It will be a case of home-from-home for 12 members of Magpies Youth Club and two of their leaders when they are guests of honour at this afternoon's game.

As you are no doubt aware, our prize for earning the Barclays "Performance of the Week" award following the 3-1 win at Peterborough is a new set of kit to be presented to the youth club of our choice.

And we chose to support the organisation which is based at Meadow Lane and meets twice a week with 200 members in two age groups.

Although it is deliberate policy not to make football the major activity, a team has recently been formed so the award of a set of kit couldn't be better timed.

The presentation will be made before the kick off by John Clarke, director of Barclays, East Midlands Region, who will also present us with a silver trophy as a memento of the award.

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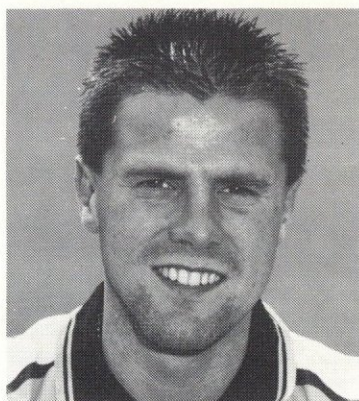
Injuries crises have occurred fairly regularly at Meadow Lane over the past 12 months or so but new records have been set during the past week.

At one stage, the list of 'customers' for physio Dave Lawson included six players recovering from operations and seven short-term

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DEAN YATES

casualties - plus Chris Short who was suffering from a virus.

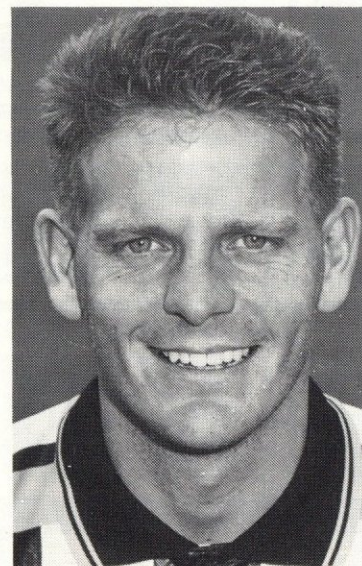
The full line-up was:

- \* Dean Yates - making good progress after a cruciate ligaments re-construction and is still another couple of months away from fitness.
- \* Alan Paris - also some months away from returning after suffering ruptured ligaments.
- \* Rob Matthews - started jogging this week following a cartilage operation.
- \* Richard Dryden - he also returned to work this week after cartilage surgery.
- \* Paul Harding - released from hospital this week after an operation to flush out his knee.
- \* Iain Wells - the young YTS striker is progressing well after a groin operation.
- \* Paul Cox - suffered a torn hamstring last week.
- \* Richard Walker - damaged ankle ligaments.
- \* Charlie Palmer - ankle ligaments.
- \* Tony Agana - calf strain.
- \* Michael Johnson - damaged toe.
- \* Meindert Dijkstra - damaged toe.
- \* Andy Williams - torn groin muscle.

## TEMPORARY ARRANGEMENT

As you may have noticed, Don O'Riordan has retained the captaincy in recent weeks - even though Phil Turner has now re-established himself as a regular member of the senior side.

But as Neil Warnock explained, it's only a temporary arrangement and Turner is still the official club captain.



PHIL TURNER

Said the manager: "Phil returned to action a lot earlier than we had expected after his hernia operation in the summer but he missed most of the pre-season training.

"With all our injury problems, it was necessary for him to play his way back to full fitness and although I felt he could do without the added burden of captaining the team, giving the responsibility to Don is only a temporary thing."

## GALA OCCASION

Calling all Lifeline members... Tuesday October 20 is your big night of the year!

That's when the Gala Night is taking place at The Commodore and by the end of the evening, one lucky member will be richer by £10,000.

The prize list on the night also includes a Vauxhall Nova car, a £1,000 holiday, a Pontins holiday for four people and the quarterly £1,000 cash pay-out.

Special invitations will shortly be on their way to all members but be sure to keep that date clear in your diaries.

## HAPPY BIRTHDAY

It's Liam Hurst's 14th birthday and he plans to celebrate in a special way... by signing associated schoolboy forms for us on the pitch this afternoon.

Liam, who comes from Clifton, is a promising young right back who has been attending our School of Excellence since he was 10.

Said youth coach Russell Slade: "A number of clubs have shown an interest in Liam in the past few months but he has committed himself to us and we're delighted he has."

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## KEEP IN TOUCH

A few hundred miles will have to be covered before the first-team next appear at Meadow Lane because after today, we face successive away matches at Tranmere, Bristol Rovers and Wolves.

Hopefully you will be able to give the lads your support but if that's not possible, don't forget that you can keep in touch with all the action on County Clubline.

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The number to ring is... 0891 88 86 84 and calls are charged at 36p minute cheap rate and 48p per minute at all other times.

Incidentally, Derek Pavis filled the hot-seat on Thursday to answer questions raised by supporters on the Clubline "Opinion Line" and next week, it will be Neil Warnock's turn.

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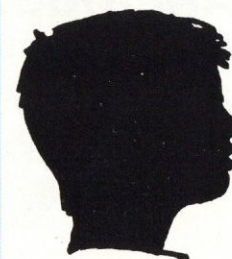
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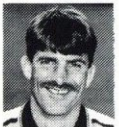







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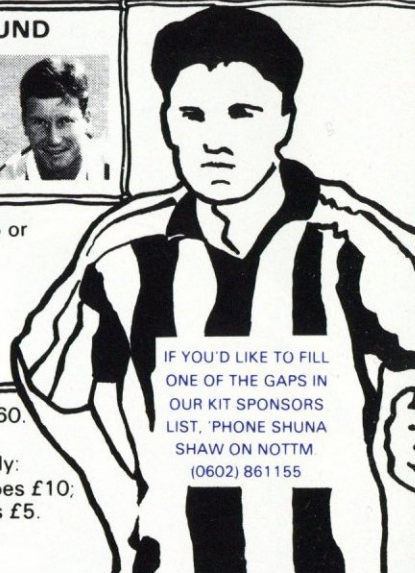




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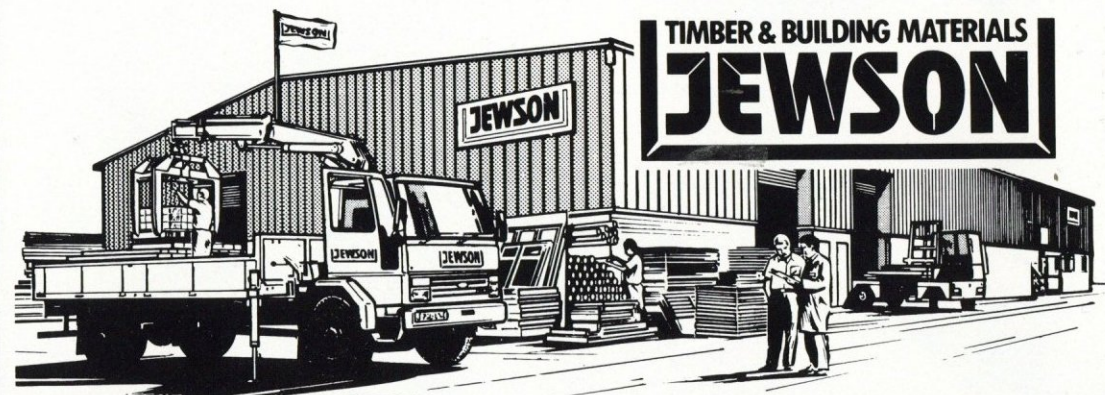
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# Mark Draper reveals all...

... Mark was a 'Superstar' at School - and that's no playful boast! He won a competition, based on the old BBC series 'Superstars' where top sportsmen took part in 10 events ranging from cycling to athletics, while he was at Wilsthorpe School.

In fact, he was a good all-round sportsman and set a school record for the 800 metres which as far as he knows, still stands today.

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... Mark was a bit of a dab hand with a paint brush at school as well. He really enjoyed art as a youngster and got an O-level in it (one of five he has to his name). "I wouldn't have minded going to Art College but the chance to make a career in football came along," he reflects.

He also considered working for his late father, who was a self-employed electrician. He regularly used to help his dad out and is now a dab hand at changing the plugs!

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... Although he doesn't mind doing the odd bit of housework, Mark is none too keen on getting out in the garden so he's just taken on one of his friends, who is unemployed, to do it for him.

"I suppose you could say I'm lazy but I like to think of it as doing my bit for the community," he says.

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... Music plays a big part in Mark's life. He's a fan of 'Pink Floyd' - he likes everything from their "flower power" days to their more recent work and would love to see them live - 'Dire Straits' and Jimi Hendrix.

Now he's got his sights set on making an impact on the world of music himself. A couple of months ago he bought himself an electric guitar but hasn't quite mastered it yet.

In fact, he can't really play any tunes - or any the naked ear would recognise anyway - and admits: "The only thing I'm good at is annoying the neighbours but they'll be pleased to know that I intend to have some lessons."

★★★★

... When he's not annoying his neighbours, Mark enjoys a round of golf. He started playing when he was a teenager and has recently joined a new club near his home in Long Eaton.

He plays off a club handicap of 18 but admits: "There are one or two people at Meadow Lane who think I'm a bit of a bandit on the golf course."

"Les Bradd is one of them but I've been hearing one or two things about him and reckon it's a case of the pot calling the kettle black."

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... It brought back memories last weekend when Mark met up again with our former goalkeeper Aidan Davison, who is now the second-choice No. 1 at Millwall.

Aidan, of course, had a spell with us a few years ago and Mark was indirectly responsible for the fact that he found himself in hospital one night after returning from a Reserves fixture.

"Drapes", having recently passed his test, had treated himself to a Ford Escort Mk II for around £150 and when it failed to start, Aidan was first to volunteer to come to his aid.

Recalled Mark: "When he pushed me down the road, the car started and I drove away. Little did I know that it had caused Aidan to suffer a collapsed lung which kept him out of action for weeks!"

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... Mark is honorary president of Longmoor Old Boys football team, who play in Division Three of the Long Eaton Sunday League.

His elder brother Gary, who is 23, plays up front for them and Mark says: "He's not a bad player. He was really good when he was younger but when he got to about 15 or 16, other things came into his life and he lost some of his interest in the game."

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... Mark doesn't have many superstitions but his lucky number is seven so he was absolutely delighted when the manager gave him the No. 7 shirt earlier this season - and it might not be easy to persuade him to part with it.

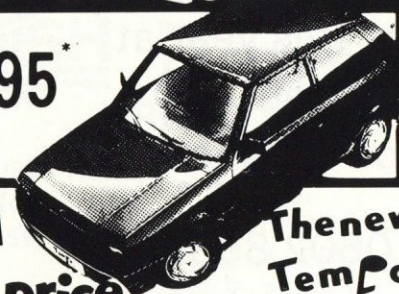
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"When you think back to 12 months ago, Dean Yates and Craig Short were the backbone of our team and now we don't have either of them."



"The only difference is that the club inherited a massive amount of money for Craig and got nothing when we lost Dean through injury. We need him back in the team as quickly as possible."

Assistant-manager **MICK JONES**.

We lost our discipline and looked a rag-a-muffin team. I was bitterly disappointed with things that happened in the second half and I'm going home to seriously consider my future."

**NEIL WARNOCK** immediately after the 6-0 defeat at Millwall.

"We just crumbled and things happened out there which have never happened while I've been involved with Notts County Football Club."

**DEAN THOMAS** as he reflected on our heaviest defeat for 10 years.

"There's such a strong bond between the players that it made it very difficult to leave Meadow Lane. Notts County will always have a special place in my heart and I would love to come back again at some time in the future."

**CRAIG SHORT** as he waved farewell with some reluctance.

"He will be a very good asset to this club. He's a very brave character who doesn't see danger and because of that, maybe we will have to accept that we will lose him for six or eight games a season. "I'm sure he will have learned a lot by playing under Chris Turner because he knows a lot about the job of a centre half and I believe that Meadow Lane will be the perfect stage for Dave at this point in his career."

**MICK JONES** on new signing Dave Robinson.

"Nine referees out of 10 in the Football League would have given a free kick for a foul on the goalkeeper."

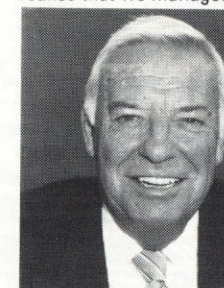
**Wolves boss GRAHAM TURNER** on the incident which led to our equaliser in midweek - and left Mike Stowell nursing an injury.

"I had my eyes on the ball when I went up for the header and had no intention of going for the goalkeeper. If it had been the centre half, no one would have said anything but because the goalkeeper was involved, everyone assumed it would be a free kick."

"Goalkeepers are far too over-protected these days and I honestly didn't think it was a foul."

**GARY LUND**'s view of the incident.

"I'm beginning to wonder whether I am right in the head. When I look at our three new stands and realise that we managed to attract 2,832



Nottingham people for the cup game against Wolves - why the hell am I thinking about building another new stand?"

"At the moment, our County Road season-ticket holders can have four or five seats

each and can even lie down to watch the game if they wish!"

Chairman **DEREK PAVIS**, who was bitterly disappointed with the attendance for the Coca-Cola Cup tie.

"I hardly recognised the place - it's smashing. In fact, it's so nice that I'm considering coming back again!"

**KEITH DOWNING**, who strived unsuccessfully to establish himself during the "bad times" at Meadow Lane but has helped Wolves to two promotions since joining them on a free transfer.

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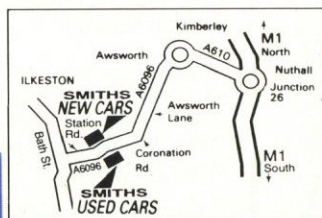
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## MANDY TAKES THE STRAIN AT GIGG LANE

Third Division Bury can lay claim to a unique place in professional football, boasting the only female physiotherapist working in the English game.

Mandy Johnson, who is based at Beaumont Hospital in Bolton, attends every first team game and has been associated with the Gigg Lane outfit for the past four seasons.

Mandy commented: "It's a very heavy commitment to be available seven days a week in order to treat player injuries, but it is also very rewarding. I hope that my achievement will be an encouragement to other female physiotherapists to make their way in the game."

## LAST ORDERS FOR SUNDERLAND PROGRAMME

First Division Sunderland have gone to the pub, quite literally, to help increase the popularity of their redesigned match programme.

Sales of the Roker Review have increased over 22% during the first month of the season - and a Christmas target of achieving a one-in-three crowd penetration has already been surpassed. One of the keys to this success, is the club's policy of increasing sales points and one area being exploited this year is city centre pubs.

A total of 1,000 programmes are supplied into 10 of what club sponsors Vaux consider 'footballing pubs' on the night before home games, with hundreds of fans catching on to the idea of ordering a programme with their pint.

## HIGH JUMP FOR POOL

Two loyal followers of Second Division Blackpool have scaled new heights to help raise funds for the Seaside club. Jim Gilliard, and his daughter Michelle, walked into the club shop at Bloomfield Road and presented a cheque for £250 to a surprised Chief Executive David Hatton. The dare-devil duo had completed a sponsored parachute jump over Blackpool airfield to raise money for the Seaside.

Part of the sponsorship money will be giving the team additional support in more ways than one - it will pay for the players' jock straps this season!



## BARCLAYS LEAGUE BULLETIN

### A Message from the Football Unit of the National Criminal Intelligence Service (NCIS)

#### HELP US TO COMBAT THE THUGS

As the new season approaches October, everyone hopes for a trouble-free season, off the pitch as well as on.

Over recent years Police and clubs, with valuable help from the FA, the League and you the fans, have made great strides in cutting down on organised hooliganism in and outside grounds. Better stewarding, closed circuit TV and other initiatives have all contributed, but a critically important factor has been better intelligence about what likely trouble-makers are up to.

This is where we in NCIS come in, along with you.

For two years now we have been quietly building up intelligence about the small number of hard-core thugs and their hangers on.

Most of them are now known to us, and together with your local Police, we put a lot of effort into targetting them and frustrating their plans - by arrest wherever possible.

But we also rely on information from the genuine fans - the overwhelming majority.

Our national 24-hour confidential hotline has also been running for two years and has produced a surprising amount of high quality tips.

We have now moved it to a new, free, line:-

**0800 515495**

So if you

\* See or hear of any plans for organised hooliganism, at grounds or elsewhere.

\* Have witnessed any unlawful activity, a quiet call to the hotline, or your local Police, could make all the difference.

Naturally we'd like to know who you are, but that isn't vital.

It's our game - don't let a tiny minority drag its reputation through the mud.

We have contained the problem, but despite what you may read or hear in some quarters, it has NOT, repeat NOT, gone away. Events in Sweden and even over here in the latter part of last season, are good reminders of that.

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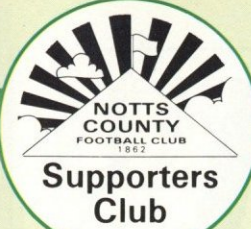
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## FANFARE

Membership Secretary Keith Worthington would like to remind supporters who have joined or renewed their Supporters Club membership and who have not yet received their Membership Cards that they are available for collection from the Supporters Club Kiosk on Matchdays. The new style Supporters Club lapel badge is still awaited from the supplier but should be available shortly.

### CHRISTMAS PRIZE DRAW

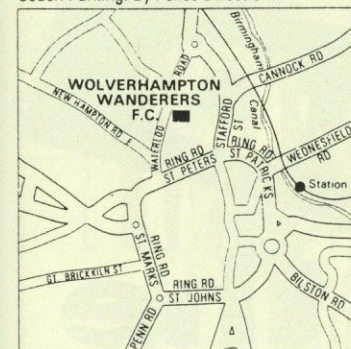
Following last year's outstanding success the Supporters Club are again running a Xmas Prize Draw. Tickets will soon be available and an allocation will be sent to all adult members of the Supporters Club and to those other people who have helped to sell tickets in the past. There are many good prizes on offer and I hope that all supporters will do their best to ensure another successful draw.

### AWAY TRAVEL

Wolverhampton Wanderers v Notts County  
(Coca Cola Cup 2nd Round 2nd Leg)

Wednesday 7th October, 1992 - Kick Off 7.45pm  
(All Ticket Match).

**Supporters Club Travel:** Coaches depart from Meadow Lane at 5pm. Fare: Adult Members £5, Junior Members £4, Adult Non Members £6.50, Junior Non Members £5.50.  
**Coach Parking:** By Police Direction.



**Road Route:** Take M1 then M42 to M6. Follow M6 North to junction 10 and follow signs for Wolverhampton (A454). Turn right at crossroads into Stratford Street then left (0.25 miles) onto Ring Road. Turn right at crossroads into Waterloo Road then right into Molineux Street for Ground. Car Parking: Around West Park and Rear of North Bank.

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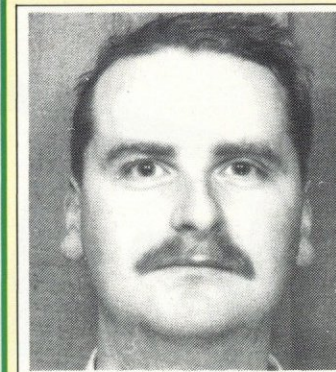
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## FANSCENE

**NAME:** Richard Williams.  
**ADDRESS:** Gardendale Avenue, Clifton, Nottingham.  
**AGE:** 32.  
**OCCUPATION:** Pie Factory Worker.  
**REGULAR PLACE AT MEADOW LANE:** County Road Stand.  
**FIRST MATCH SEEN AT MEADOW LANE:** It was a first round tie in the League Cup in 1968 - and Notts lost 1-0 to Grimsby.  
**BEST HOME GAME SEEN:** The fourth round League Cup tie against Everton in 1975 when County won 2-0 and Les Bradd scored them both.  
**BEST AWAY GAME SEEN:** The First Division fixture at Portman Road in 1982 when Notts outplayed Ipswich, the previous year's runners-up, and beat them 3-1 with goals from Gordon Mair, Brian Kilcline and Paul Hooks.  
**MOST MEMORABLE GOAL:** Mair's goal in the above match when he finished off a six-man move which started with the goalkeeper.  
**ALL-TIME FAVOURITE COUNTY PLAYER:** Iain McCulloch - he frightened the life out of goalkeepers.  
**FAVOURITE CURRENT PLAYER:** Michael Johnson - a tremendous prospect.  
**ALL-TIME BEST COUNTY TEAM:** Barry Watling, Tristan Benjamin, Ray O'Brien, Craig Short, David Needham, Brian Stubbs, John Chiedoie, Les Bradd, Tony Hateley, Ian McCulloch, Tommy Johnson.  
**MY PET HATE IN FOOTBALL:** Forest fans who only jumped on the bandwagon in 1977.  
**FUNNIEST INCIDENT SEEN ON THE FIELD:** Viv Anderson in the 1976-77 local derby which Notts won 2-1 at the City Ground.  
  
*If you would like to be featured in Fan Scene, fill in your answers and send them - together with a good quality photograph - to Terry Bowles, Programme Editor, c/o Notts County FC, Meadow Lane, Nottingham NG2 3JH.*

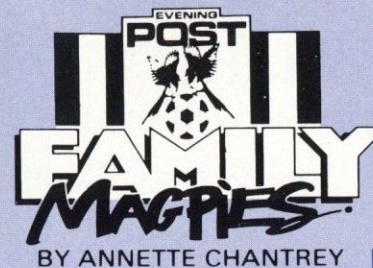




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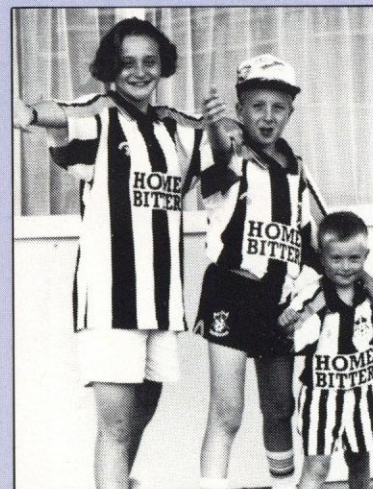
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Our Holiday Club Pontin's competition winners (from left to right) Shamaine aged 14, Stephen, 11 and three year old Scott outside their chalet at Brean Sands.

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All three junior members of one family entered and all had a different reason for wanting to take their family away on holiday. They could all have won in their own right but which one it should be was too difficult a task so it was decided that Shamaine, Stephen and Scott Rudge should be joint winners but this was just the beginning of their problems!

How were they to decide which of the Holiday Club Pontins to choose? It took them several weeks to decide but as you can see from the letter I received from the family after their holiday they must have made the right one...

Melville Gardens  
Nottingham.

Dean Annette,  
*We were the winners of the Pontins holiday competition. The prize was a holiday at the Pontins of our choice.*

*After much discussion we decided to go to Brean Sands, Burnham-on-Sea in Somerset. It was the best and possibly the most difficult decision we've had to make.*

*Everything about Pontins is great - the people and the activities.*

*The Blue Coats were there to entertain us through the daytime and in the evenings as well. They were wonderful! The entertainment was really great especially the Bluecoat cabaret.*

*Mum and Dad were expecting a nice relaxing holiday - more fool them!! We had different ideas and it wasn't too long before they realised that they would be thrown into the pool if they didn't make the effort to join in!*

*We can't thank you enough for choosing us.*

*We had a wonderful time.  
Thanks again,*

*Shamaine, Stephen & Scott Rudge.*

Keep an eye on this page as there is every chance that we will be running a similar competition this season.

#### BRISTOL ROVERS AWAY TRIP

Reg Killick is organising a trip to Bristol Rovers on Saturday, 3rd October. The cost for Junior Members is £6.50 and £7.50 for Adults this includes travel and admission to the game. The coach will depart from Meadow Lane at 10.15a.m. Anyone interested should contact Reg direct on Nottm. 583024 (evenings and weekends).

#### MISS SAIGON

Our visit to the Theatre Royal Drury Lane on Wednesday, 25th November to see Miss Saigon is proving to be a big success with half the seats sold already.

We will be leaving Meadow Lane at the 'crack of dawn' to enable us to have as much time in London as possible for Christmas shopping. Although not a suitable trip for our younger members it is proving to be popular with our adults. So gentlemen, even if you are unable to go yourselves, why not arrange for your lady to have an enjoyable and well deserved day out. The cost is £30.00 and includes travel and 'best seats in the theatre' for the show.

Anyone interested please contact me for a booking form.

#### HATTER'S MASCOT

Today we welcome, as our guests, a party of Junior Hatters and amongst them David Brandon who is nine years old today.

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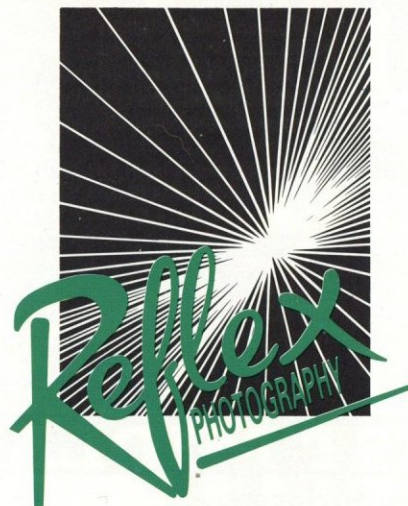
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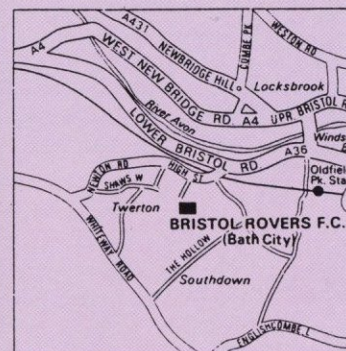
### AWAY TRAVEL BRISTOL ROVERS

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### TRAVEL PLANS

We don't have a lot of standing room left at Meadow Lane but that's not the case at Prenton Park, Twerton Park and Molineux.

We're heading for those three venues over the next couple of weeks and in all cases, there is ample space available for visiting fans on the terraces.

Stand seats are also available for the game at Tranmere on Tuesday. But you can pay on the night to sit or stand and tickets are not required next Saturday, either, with room to accommodate 930 supporters when we go to Bath.

Please note, however, that the second leg of our Coca Cola Cup tie against Wolves on Wednesday October 7 is an all-ticket affair and if you plan to make the trip, you must purchase your ticket in advance at Meadow Lane.

### CHRISTMAS BONUS?

You won't need any reminding that Christmas is drawing ever nearer but how would you like to earn some extra cash to help ease the financial burden of all the festive fun?

You can do just that by helping us enrol new members in our County Cashline scheme.

We're looking for Canvassers, their families, friends and Magpies supporters to enrol as many new Cashline members as possible.

Excellent rates of commission are on offer - the more people you enrol, the more you will earn - and you'll have the money by Christmas.

The special Christmas Canvassing offer closes on November 21, giving us plenty of time to sort everything out and get your hard-earned cash to you.

Anyone interested in taking part should ring (0602) 864718 or call in at the County '75 Office at Meadow Lane.

### NOW ON SALE

They're selling fast so if you haven't already bought your 1992 edition of the Notts County Yearbook, make a point of calling in at the Club Shop on your way home.

Priced £1.99, it's full of photos, facts and figures - plus articles looking back in detail at a memorable year in the top flight and a summer of feverish activity at Meadow Lane.

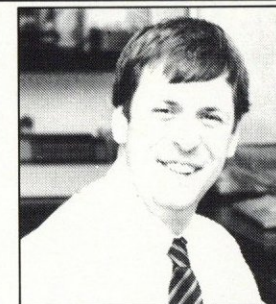
### SEASIDE TRIP

Our youngsters have been drawn away to Grimsby Town in the first round of the Midland Youth Cup and the game will be played at Blundell Park on Wednesday October 14 (7pm).

It's a competition, of course, which has been good to us because we lifted the trophy two years ago and reached the semi-final last season.

And as youth coach Russell Slade said: "The nice thing about this competition is that it gives us a chance to test ourselves against different opposition because some of the teams involved are not in the Purity League."

### • BACK • STAGE •



Nick Hughes likes nothing better than to potter about in his garden but as a member of our busy County '75 office and a father of four, has trouble finding the time.

Sales manager Nick admits: "When I'm not working or following the Magpies, I like to get away from it all in the garden but it's a job just trying to fit it all in."

Nick, who lives in Long Eaton, joined our staff in 1987 after a career in engineering and now spends much of his time "on the road" spreading the County '75 gospel.

He says: "I suppose I was more of a Forest supporter when I was younger but I'm a born-again Magpie now and it's great to be involved with the club on a full-time basis."

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# THE RECORDS 92-93

## GAMES & GOALS

### BARCLAYS LEAGUE DIVISION ONE

	HOME					AWAY					
	P	W	D	L	F	A	W	D	L	F	A Pts
Newcastle Utd	7	5	0	0	15	3	2	0	0	4	2 21
Charlton	8	2	2	0	7	2	3	1	0	4	0 18
Wolves	8	2	2	0	11	7	2	2	0	3	0 16
Birmingham	7	3	0	0	5	1	1	2	1	4	5 14
West Ham	7	1	1	1	3	3	3	0	1	9	4 13
Swindon	7	2	2	0	9	5	1	1	1	7	7 12
Millwall	7	3	1	0	11	2	0	2	1	1	3 12
Leicester City	8	3	2	0	6	3	0	1	2	2	7 12
Peterborough	7	1	1	2	3	6	2	0	1	6	5 10
Oxford Utd	7	2	1	1	5	2	0	2	1	4	6 9
Tranmere	6	2	2	0	5	2	0	1	1	3	4 9
Watford	7	1	1	1	4	4	1	1	1	2	7 8
Bristol City	7	0	2	2	4	9	2	0	1	7	8 8
Grimsby	6	1	1	0	4	3	1	1	2	6	6 8
Portsmouth	7	2	0	0	5	0	0	2	3	5	11 8
Notts County	7	0	1	2	3	6	2	0	2	6	9 7
Brentford	7	2	0	2	7	6	0	1	2	1	3 7
Southend	7	1	1	1	3	2	1	0	3	4	7 7
Cambridge	8	2	0	2	3	5	0	1	3	1	9 7
Sunderland	6	1	0	1	1	2	1	1	2	2	3 7
Luton	7	0	2	1	4	7	1	1	2	3	5 6
Barnsley	7	0	2	3	2	5	1	0	1	3	2 5
Bristol Rovers	8	1	0	3	6	10	0	1	3	5	10 4
Derby County	7	0	0	2	4	6	0	3	2	4	6 3

### MAGPIES ROLL CALL

PLAYER	LEAGUE			CUP		
	Apps	Gls		Apps	Gls	Assists
O'RIORDAN	7	—	1	3	1	—
DRAPER	7	1	2	3	—	3
SMITH	7	2	1	3	—	2
PALMER	6	—	—	1	1	—
DIJKSTRA	6	—	—	1	—	—
CHERRY	5	—	—	2	—	—
WILLIAMS	4	1	—	—	—	—
JOHNSON	4	—	—	3	—	—
SLAWSON	4 (2)	2	1	2 (1)	—	1
TURNER	4 (2)	—	—	3	—	—
WILSON	4 (3)	1	—	2	—	—
AGANA	3	—	2	—	—	—
CRAIG SHORT	3	1	—	1	1	—
CHRIS SHORT	3	—	—	2	—	—
THOMAS	2 (1)	—	1	2 (1)	—	—
CATLIN	2	—	—	1	—	—
MURPHY	2 (1)	—	1	1	—	—
LUND	2	1	—	2	2	—
D. ROBINSON	1	—	—	1	1	—
MATTHEWS	1	—	—	—	—	—
HARDING	— (1)	—	—	—	—	—
GALLAGHER	—	—	—	— (1)	—	—
R. WALKER	—	—	—	— (1)	—	—

### NEXT GAME AT MEADOW LANE

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Tuesday October 6th - Kick-off 7.30pm.

2nd XI -v- Manchester United

Saturday October 10th - Kick-off 3pm.

**MAGPIES -v- GRIMSBY TOWN**

DATE V OPPOSITION F-A ATTEN.

Aug 16	A	Birmingham City	0-1	10,614
Aug 22	H	Leicester City	1-1	10,501
Aug 25	H	Watford	1-2	6,247
Aug 29	A	Peterborough United	3-1	6,670
Sep 2	A	Derby County AIC	2-4	6,767
Sep 5	H	Barnsley	1-3	6,205
Sep 12	A	Watford	3-1	7,077
Sep 15	H	Barnsley AIC	1-1	2,115
Sep 19	A	Millwall	0-6	6,689
Sep 22	H	Wolves CCC 2(1)	3-2	4,197
Sep 26	H	Luton Town		
Sep 29	A	Tranmere Rovers		
Oct 3	A	Bristol Rovers		
Oct 7	A	Wolves CCC 2(2)		
Oct 10	H	Grimsby Town		
Oct 17	A	Swindon Town		
Oct 24	H	Oxford United		
Oct 28		CC Cup 3		
Oct 31	A	Sunderland		
Nov 3	H	Derby County		
Nov 7	A	West Ham United		
Nov 14	H	Wolves		
Nov 21	A	Southend United		
Nov 28	A	Bristol City		
Dec 5	H	Newcastle United		
Dec 12	H	Cambridge United		
Dec 19	A	Portsmouth		
Dec 26	A	Leicester City		
Dec 28	H	Brentford		
Jan 2		FA Cup 3		
Jan 9	H	Millwall		
Jan 16	A	Luton Town		
Jan 23		FA Cup 4		
Jan 26	H	Tranmere Rovers		
Jan 30	A	Charlton Athletic		
Feb 6	H	Birmingham City		
Feb 13	A	Barnsley		
Feb 20	H	Peterborough Utd		
Feb 27	A	Grimsby Town		
Mar 6	H	Bristol Rovers		
Mar 9	A	Wolves		
Mar 13	H	West Ham Utd		
Mar 20	A	Newcastle United		
Mar 23	H	Southend United		
Mar 27	A	Derby County		
Apr 3	H	Bristol City		
Apr 6	A	Cambridge United		
Apr 10	H	Charlton Athletic		
Apr 12	A	Brentford		
Apr 17	H	Portsmouth		
Apr 24	H	Swindon Town		
May 1	A	Oxford United		
May 8	H	Sunderland		
May 14		FA Cup Final		

AIC = Anglo Italian Cup,



Cherry	Palmer	Thomas	Craig Short	Johnson	O'Riordan	Draper*	Williams	Agana	Matthews*	Smith	Harding	Wilson
Cherry	Palmer	Dijkstra	Craig Short	Johnson	O'Riordan	Draper	Williams	Agana	Slawson*	<b>Smith*</b>	Turner	Wilson
Cherry	Palmer	Dijkstra	Turner	Johnson	O'Riordan	Draper	Williams	Agana*	<b>Slawson</b>	Smith	Wilson	Thomas
Catlin	Palmer	Dijkstra	Johnson	Chris Short	O'Riordan	Draper	<b>Williams*</b>	<b>Wilson</b>	Slawson	<b>Smith</b>	Turner	R. Walker
Catlin	Chris Short*	Thomas	<b>Craig Short*</b>	Johnson	<b>O'Riordan</b>	Draper	Turner	Wilson	Slawson	Smith	Gallagher	R. Walker
Catlin	Palmer	Dijkstra*	<b>Craig Short</b>	Chris Short	O'Riordan	Draper	Turner	Wilson	Slawson*	Smith	Murphy	Thomas
Cherry	Palmer	Chris Short	Murphy	Dijkstra	O'Riordan	<b>Draper</b>	Turner	<b>Lund</b>	Wilson*	Smith	<b>Slawson</b>	Thomas
Cherry	<b>Palmer</b>	Dijkstra*	Johnson	Murphy	O'Riordan	Draper	Turner	Lund	Wilson*	Smith	Thomas	Slawson
Cherry	Dijkstra	Thomas	Murphy	Robinson	O'Riordan	Draper	Turner	Lund	Wilson*	Smith	Slawson	Gallagher
Cherry	Short	Thomas	Johnson	<b>Robinson</b>	O'Riordan	Draper	Turner	<b>Lund(2)</b>	Slawson	Smith	Murphy	Devlin

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v

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STEVE CHERRY

CHRIS SHORT

DEAN THOMAS

MICHAEL JOHNSON

DAVE ROBINSON

DON O'RIORDAN

MARK DRAPER

PHIL TURNER

GARY LUND

STEVE SLAWSON

DAVE SMITH

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ANDY PETTERSON

DES LINTON

JULIAN JAMES

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**Linesmen**



**Mr G P Davies from Salford, Manchester.**



**Mr J A Sheffield from Walsall.**

**Standby Official:**

**Mr A Colclough from Alfreton.**

## SCORECHECK

BRENTFORD v MILLWALL  
BRISTOL CITY v BARNSELEY  
CHARLTON v SWINDON  
DERBY COUNTY v SOUTHEAST GRIMSBY v CAMBRIDGE UTD  
OXFORD UTD v TRANMERE  
PETERBOROUGH v NEWCASTLE UTD  
SUNDERLAND v BRISTOL ROVERS  
WATFORD v LEICESTER CITY  
BLACKBURN v OLDHAM  
CHELSEA v FOREST  
COVENTRY CITY v NORWICH CITY  
CRYSTAL PALACE v SOUTHAMPTON  
IPSWICH v SHEFFIELD UTD  
LEEDS UTD v EVERTON  
LIVERPOOL v WIMBLEDON  
MANCHESTER UTD v Q.P.R.  
MIDDLESBROUGH v ASTON VILLA  
LEYTON ORIENT v HULL CITY  
MANSFIELD v STOKE CITY  
WEST BROM v EXETER  
COLCHESTER v CHESTERFIELD  
LINCOLN v SHREWSBURY

**MATCHWINNER**

**KIT**