

# Luton Town Football Club

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## Bristol City

Saturday 2nd January 1993  
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F.A Cup Third Round

# New signings are welcomed in our Club



MANAGER'S VIEWPOINT BY DAVID PLEAT

Welcome to this afternoon's game. I would particularly like to extend a warm welcome to the supporters, officials and players of Bristol City.

City should have no trouble finding the location of our dressing rooms, having been here twice before this season, but they will notice a marked deterioration in our pitch. There are many contributory factors that have caused the problems. We have to hope that we get the correct sequence of weather conditions to enable our groundsmen to do as much repairing as possible.

In connection with this problem, we have switched our reserve fixtures to the home of Leighton Town Football Club and we thank them most sincerely for offering this help. We also thank the Neville Ovenden Football Combination for

accepting this alternative. Our home games will now be played on Tuesday afternoons at 2.00pm. A recent trip there saw a young group win a Bedfordshire Senior Cup tie by 3-1. I was impressed with the turn out and the hospitality accorded to our team.

Since my last programme notes, both Aaron Skelton and John Hartson, two of our Y.T.S. boys, have signed professional forms. Normally I would have refrained from making this arrangement and hopefully agreed their signatures at the end of the season. However, our present resources have pushed the younger players further forward and it could well be that both Aaron and John

receive opportunities this season. Furthermore, unscrupulous clubs can make "behind the back door" noises in their direction and spirit them away for derisory figures as Y.T.S. boys. It is just one of the problems that face clubs and has to be attended to. Only last week, a Premier League suggestion was that there be a ban on transfers during the season. Had they thought of the small play-

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ing squads in the lower leagues? Another idea was an under-21 league. Had they considered that most well run clubs' reserve sides already consist of under-21-year-old players?

Once again I thank the many supporters who have enquired about Darren Salton. He is progressing and all our fingers are crossed.

We would like to welcome Andy McDade from Barnet Football Club who will take over our physiotherapy duties from Brian Owen, who is joining Ian Atkins as assistant coach at Cambridge United. We wish Brian well and we hope that Andy will have a long and happy association with us. It poses another question for the new 'voice' of the Institute of

John Dreyer had a fine game during our 2-1 win at Molineux last month.



Managers, Frank Clark. Contracts should be pre-agreed with either pay-up fees for dismissal or similarly, compensation when staff leave.

On the transfer front, Juergen Sommer continues at Torquay and had another clean sheet against Shrewsbury prior to Christmas. Also when these notes were penned, Chris Kamara was into his second month at Sheffield United: a club having problems that are not new to us.

I was fascinated to read that Alex Ferguson of Manchester United was telling the press prior to the game at Chelsea that he had tried to buy Mick Harford last season. Time can warp the memory. It was my suggestion, after making an enquiry for Donaghy towards the transfer deadline last season, that Harford was the type of player to compensate for the diabolical pitch at Old Trafford. He wanted someone who could 'head a goal' when the uneven surface stopped their fluid passing. I, as usual, sung Harford's praises but did not get the pleasure

sure of a bid of any sort. Water under the bridge, but it is important that fellow managers do not use the press to embarrass other clubs - or indeed players at times, as Gary Lineker suggested in his little pre-Christmas scuffle with the England manager, Graham Taylor.

Let us hope that today we can progress to the next round of the cup. No one should ever under-estimate the importance of a cup run and it is down to our players to make sure they give their recent 110%. We can ask no more and hope fortune smiles on us.

Enjoy the game.

# Representation to be depleted in round four

NEWS ON ONE

**T**oday sees the entrance of the 'bigger' clubs to the F.A. Cup. We focus on the more intriguing clashes involving the clubs in Division One.

The third round of the F.A. Cup frequently produces its fair share of major shocks as well as predictable triumphs. Who could forget Wrexham's dramatic victory against champions Arsenal last season, or non-league Sutton's dismissal of Coventry City in 1988?

It appears that the First Division clubs have avoided what could turn out to be possible shock defeats against lower opposition this season, with no club having to visit or entertain non-league or Third Division teams.

Many supporters could be forgiven for thinking that today is just another Barclays First Division weekend, with no less than 12 clubs facing each other at this early stage of the cup.

Two teams hoping to put their league struggles to one side this afternoon are Notts County and Sunderland. Both are, at the time of writing, in the lower reaches of Division One and need a Cup run to lift their flagging fortunes. There will no doubt be extra pressure placed on Sunderland this season after catching the nation's imagination last term, with a run which took them all the way to Wembley. Without the goalscoring instincts of John Byrne this season though, they could struggle to make an impact.

Byrne is now applying his trade in south London with high-flying Millwall. They face a tricky trip to Roots Hall where Colin Murphy's Southend United await. Byrne is struggling to find the net for the Lions since his £500,000 transfer earlier in the season, but winger Jamie Moralee has provided the ammunition which has fired the club into Premier League contention. The Shrimpers' mini-revival in recent weeks has been a result of Stan Collymore's goalscoring instincts.

However, the on-loan Crystal Palace striker is unlikely to feature this afternoon as Eagles manager Steve Coppell will not want the striker cup tied, especially if Palace's poor form in front of goal continues.

The First Division's representation in the competition will be further depleted in Round Four once the ties between Brentford and Grimsby, and Watford and Wolves are decided. There will be little to choose from both these ties, with only Brentford showing any kind of consistent form in recent weeks.

Leicester City will be hoping to convert their recent league success into cup glory against Barnsley. They have proved to be more than a match for any side at Filbert Street this season - losing just twice - and will look to last season's success at this stage against Crystal Palace, to make the hat for round four.

Swindon Town, Charlton Athletic, Cambridge United and Bristol Rovers all have the chance to pit their wits against the elitist Premier League sides. Bristol Rovers have the daunting prospect of facing title contenders Aston Villa at Villa Park. However, a cup upset is not out of the question for the Twerton Park side who, under the expert guidance of Malcolm Allison, have turned in some remarkable scorelines of late. They will be looking for the same inspiration which had eventual winners Liverpool reeling last season.

Charlton face the prospect of a trip to Elland

Road against a Leeds United side, determined to turn their own stuttering season around with a cup run. The odds are against the Addicks, who have not won away since September. United have not lost at Elland Road for nearly two years.

Cambridge face Sheffield Wednesday at the Abbey Stadium, while Swindon have the chance to show the nation their free-flowing football in front of the television cameras at Q.P.R. on Monday evening.

We wish all our First Division clubs in the cup success this season, and hope that they fly the flag in the same style and fashion as Sunderland and Portsmouth did last term.



John Byrne's Wembley aspirations lie with Millwall this season.

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# Universal Salvage Auctions

## *A story of happy faces - welcome to the 'family club'*

*School groups give a successful launch to the community scheme and help set up an encouraging 1993 for everyone involved.*

**A**fter the success so far this season of the schools' programme, backed by the support of our club sponsors Universal Salvage Auctions, everyone at the club is looking to the continuing growth of the community scheme and more happy faces at Kenilworth Road in 1993.

Thanks to the support of Universal Salvage and much hard work involving both our own commercial department and our Community Liaison Officer Gary Hooper, nearly 400 schoolchildren have enjoyed special Saturday outings as guests of the club for some of our major Barclays League Division One matches this season.

Another very special vote of thanks for his help so far should also go to John Williams who helped to set up the scheme and also to Geoff Williams, who as a director of Universal Salvage with special interest in the community programme, has spent much of his own valuable time working with Gary and Andy King.

Judging from the happiness spread through all the parties from the various schools to have taken part in the scheme so far, it has been a more than worthwhile exercise. The schools' guests have all enjoyed their football and the opportunities these



special trips have given them to take a unique look behind-the-scenes at a top professional club.

"We have been delighted with the success of the scheme to date," said Gary Hooper. "I think each and every person who has come into the club as part of one of these schools' visits has enjoyed it and learned something special from their visit. It is one of the small ways in which we as a club can give something to the community around us and show some appreciation for everyone's loyal support."

On behalf of Universal Salvage, Geoff Williams said: "There is no doubt that we have found a winning combination with this scheme.

It spreads a lot of pleasure and does much good. The youngsters enjoy it and learn — and we sincerely hope they come back again as supporters with the parents and families. It is a pleasure for Universal Salvage to be involved and we look forward to keeping it going just as successfully in the New Year."

If you would like further information on the USA/Luton Town Community Programme, please contact Gary Hooper at Luton Town FC, Kenilworth Road Stadium, 1, Maple Road, Luton, Bedfordshire LU4 8AW.

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# Our pitch problems explained

ON THE INSIDE BY DAVID KOHLER



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## Honours

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*This afternoon we extend a warm welcome to the directors, management, players and followers of Bristol City and wish them, once today's cup fixture is played, a very happy and successful New Year. Having visited us twice before, I am sure they will find the surroundings familiar.*

The pitch, however, may appear to play very differently from their previous visits earlier in the season—and it is the playing surface to which I wish to draw your attention this afternoon. No-one, I am sure, can fail to have noticed the problems with the mud we have recently encountered.

As everyone is aware, the club reverted to grass for the 1991-92 season. The new pitch was laid by Ent-Tout-Cas, who had previously laid our synthetic surface. They followed specifications prepared by the Sports Turf Research Institute (STRI).

In the meantime they have advised us to put sand on the worst affected areas and regularly fork these areas to enable the water to drain away. The effects of this were seen at our game against Sunderland where, on the Friday afternoon, several inches of water covered the pitch and by kick-off the following day the groundsman and all his helpers had performed miracles to enable the game to go ahead and the pitch was in better condition than had been noted recently.

We hope, naturally, that the weather will be kinder this winter than it was in the autumn, when the heavy rain made life difficult for everyone—especially the players.

Finally, may I thank all our loyal supporters for their support in 1992 and wish everyone a very happy and peaceful New Year.

new pitch was a 70/30 sand/soil mix, with a particular type of soil being required. The specification for the top dressing was the same.

# Let's look forward to 1993

CAPTAIN'S LOG BY TREVOR PEAKE



**1** 1992 was not a particularly good year for us Hatters. Let's hope we are set for a better time in '93, starting with today's game against Bristol City.

We have a very good chance of starting the New Year on the right note against Bristol City in the F.A. Cup. Since they visited us last in the Anglo-Italian Cup, they have not had a particularly good time in the league, and our own form has shown an improvement. I am confident we can make it 'third time lucky' against them this season and progress into the fourth round draw.

Cup runs are vitally important to any side, as they keep the long, hard season buzzing and give the supporters something to look forward to. I know how important a good cup run can be both for morale and finances. I remember when I was at Coventry and we reached the final in 1987. The whole town was given a big lift and it put us on the map. I want the same thing to happen with Luton. There was a tradition here in the late eighties of cup success. I want those days to return.



Knowing that you do not get a second chance in cup games usually accounts for 100 miles-per-hour football, with the possible reward of drawing a 'plum tie' in the next

round. If we equip ourselves properly to the task ahead, we can look forward to the next round. Who knows who we might face then? If we can pit ourselves against a Premier League side, I am sure our experience last season will be invaluable.

Looking ahead, January is going to be a tough month for us. We play Birmingham City and Notts County, who like ourselves, are not in the position they would like to be at this stage of the season. It is important that we take points from these clubs to help us close the gap on the clubs who are currently safe in mid-table.

We then face Newcastle United here at Kenilworth Road on January 27. When we played up there earlier in the season we lost 2-0, but I remember we applied ourselves very well and came away more successfully than a lot of other teams who have gone to St James' Park this season.

The noise generated by their crowd was amazing and when they scored their first goal, the crowd's reaction certainly gave them confidence. Let's hear you all giving the same vocal support this afternoon. It definitely gives us a lift and in our compact stadium, we can create a similar noise on a smaller scale.

Enjoy the game and keep singing!

Paul Telfer made a welcome return to the Hatters side at Wolves.

# ACTION REPLAY

From: Kenilworth Road  
Date: December 19, 1992  
**LUTON TOWN 0**  
**SUNDERLAND 0**  
Attendance: 8,286

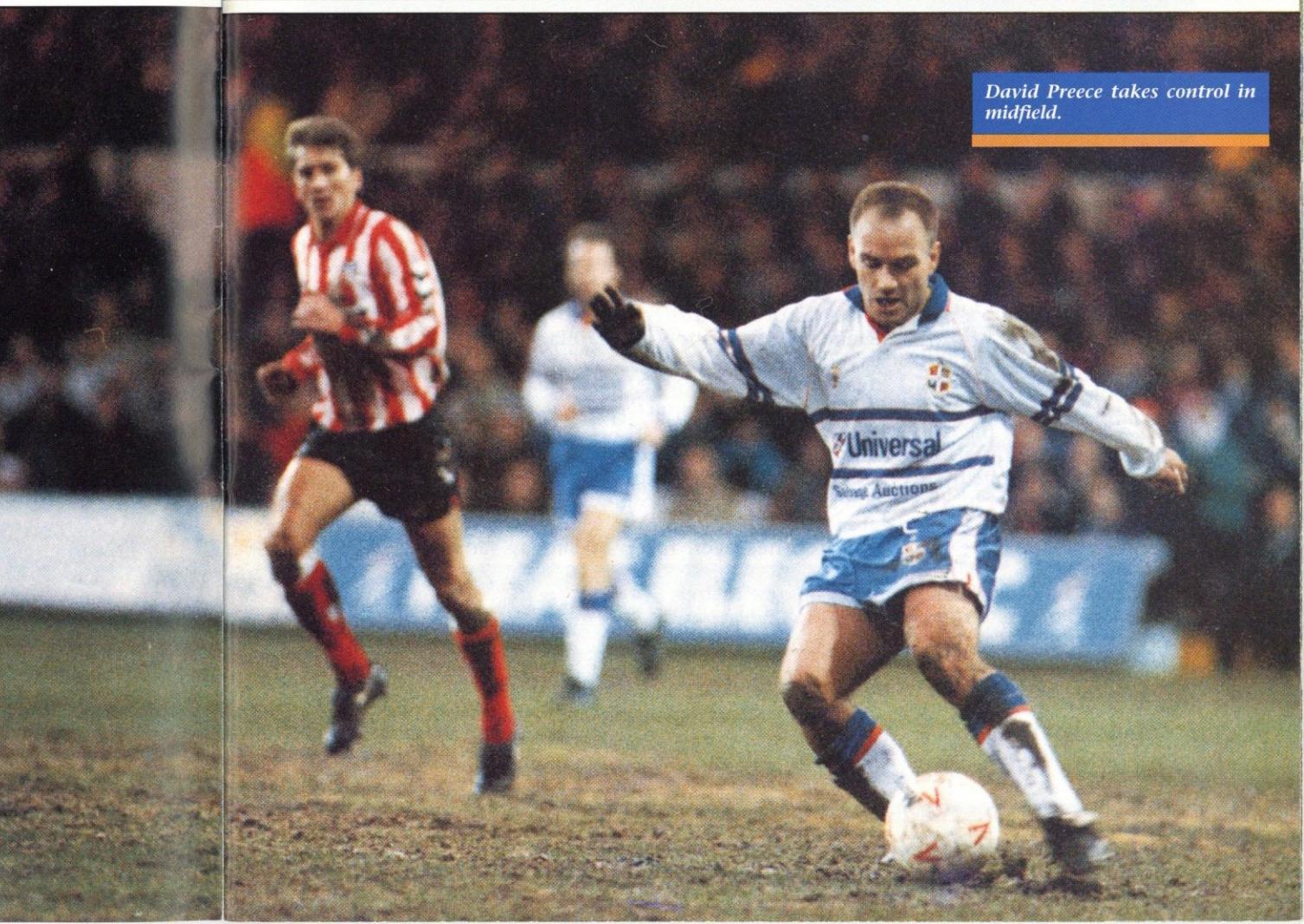
PICTURES BY JOSH LEVY



*Ian Benjamin and Terry Butcher pause for thought.*



*Julian James powers forward.*



*David Preece takes control in midfield.*

# Duo sign professional forms

AROUND THE TOWN



## Aaron and John step up



Our youth team members Aaron Skelton and John Hartson have signed professional forms for the club. They have progressed from our youth team into the reserves this season and Aaron has made the bench for our First Division fixture with Watford in November. We wish both of them the best of luck with their careers at Kenilworth Road.



### WELCOME ANDY

We send a belated warm welcome to the club's new physiotherapist Andy McDade. Andy had previously served Third Division Barnet. He has followed Brian Owen, who has left the club to join fellow First Division outfit Cambridge United. We wish them the best of luck in their new careers.

### RESERVE VENUE SWITCH

To ease the burden on our Kenilworth Road pitch, our reserve team will play their home fixtures at Leighton Town F.C. until further notice. We thank all officials at Leighton for their generosity and assistance.

### SALTON CONDITION IMPROVES

Our Scottish under-21 defender Darren Salton, who was severely injured in a car crash on November 26, is making steady progress at Addenbrookes Hospital, Cambridge. "He is out of a coma, talking and coming along slowly," said a hospital spokesperson.

The draw for the fourth round will be made on BSkyB at 6.40 pm on Sunday, January 3, 1993.

### HOOLIGAN HOTLINE

There is now a new number for the National Football Intelligence Unit Holigan Hotline. Please ring 0800 515495 in strictest confidence.

### F.A. CUP DRAW IN FULL

The full draw for the third

round of the F.A. Cup is: Brentford v Grimsby, Manchester Utd v Wigan or Bury, Southend United v Millwall, Crewe v Marine, West Brom v West Ham Utd, Swansea City v Oxford Utd, Hartlepool v Crystal Palace, Gillingham v Huddersfield, Sheffield Utd v Burnley, Aston Villa v Bristol Rovers, Cambridge United v Sheffield Wednesday, Northampton v Rotherham, Derby v Stockport, Leeds v Charlton, Leicester v Barnsley, Watford v Wolves, Yeovil v Arsenal, Norwich v Coventry, Oldham v Tranmere, Newcastle v Port Vale, Wimbledon v Everton, Man City v Reading, Brighton v Portsmouth, Blackburn v Bournemouth, Ipswich v Plymouth, Notts County v Sunderland, Tottenham v Marlow and Q.P.R. v Swindon.

# Latest Ticket Office news



BY CHERRY NEWBERY

### Birmingham City v Luton Town

#### BARCLAYS LEAGUE DIVISION ONE

Saturday, January 9, 1993 - Kick-off 3.00 pm  
Tickets only available at Birmingham on the day of the match.  
Seats cost £10.00 (adults) and £5.00 (Senior Citizens/Juniors).  
Standing is priced at £7.00 (no concessions).

### Luton Town v Notts County

#### BARCLAYS LEAGUE DIVISION ONE

Saturday, January 16, 1993 - Kick-off 3.00 pm  
Tickets for this match are on sale at the discounted price. Normal guesting facilities apply.

### Luton Town v Newcastle United

#### BARCLAYS LEAGUE DIVISION ONE

Wednesday, January 27, 1993 - Kick-off 7.45 pm  
Tickets for this match are on sale at the discounted price. Normal guesting facilities apply.

### Bristol City v Luton Town

#### BARCLAYS LEAGUE DIVISION ONE

Saturday, January 30, 1993 - Kick-off 3.00 pm  
Standing only available for Luton supporters. Pay on the trunstile on the day, price £6.00 (no concessions).

### Ticket Office Hours

Monday - Friday 10 am - 5 pm. Non-match Saturdays 10 am - 1 pm. Match Saturdays 9 am - kick-off, after the match 4.45 pm - 5.15 pm. For bookings, membership and inquiries, ring the Ticket Office on 0582 416976. Supporters wishing to order by credit card can do so by using the 24 hour Credit Card Hotline on 0582 30748.

### Travelling to...

#### Birmingham City

Address: St Andrews, Birmingham B9 4NH. Telephone: (021) 772 0101. Take the M5 to junction 4, or the A435 or A41 into Birmingham. Take the A45 to Coventry Road then left into St Andrews for the ground. There are car parks available in Coventry Road and Cattell Road. Nearest railway: Bordesley.

#### Bristol City

Address: Ashton Gate, Bristol BS3 2EJ. Telephone: (0272) 632812. Take the M4, then the M32 into Bristol City centre. The cross the swing bridge and branch left into Winterstoke Road for Ashton Gate. Street parking is available. Nearest railway: Bristol Temple Meads.

#### Bobbers Travel Club

Coaches for the trip to BIRMINGHAM CITY will cost adults £6.00 and children/OAP's £5.00. Coaches will depart from at Cranfield at 10.30 am and from Luton at 11.30 am, with the normal pick-up points en route. Coaches for the trip to BRISTOL CITY will cost adults £8.50 and children/OAP's £7.00. Coaches will depart from Cranfield at 9.00 am and from Luton at 10.00 am, again with the normal pick-up points en route.

All bookings and further information can be made by telephoning Paul Deason on (0234) 750996. Alternatively, you can book by seeing Paul or any other BTC member at the Ticket Kiosk in Kenilworth Road or on the return journey from the previous match.

# Robins hoping to continue recent run at Kenilworth Road

BRISTOL CITY F.C. 1992-93

■ Bristol City visit Kenilworth Road this afternoon, hopeful of progressing to the fourth round of the F.A. Cup after remaining unbeaten at Kenilworth Road, following two visits here already this season. In August, goals from Andrew Cole and Micky Mellon secured a 3-0 victory which lifted the Robins into the top ten of the Division. They followed up that particular success a month later with a 1-1 draw in the Anglo-Italian Cup, a point which secured their passage into the group stage where they faced Italian opposition.

■ Since that visit, their League form has been somewhat inconsistent, winning six games and losing seven. With regards to the cup competitions, the Robins failed to progress in the Anglo-Italian Cup - finishing bottom of their group - and were knocked out of the Coca Cola League Cup in the second round against Sheffield United 5-3 on aggregate, after taking a 2-1 lead in the first leg.



Back row (left to right): Micky Mellon, Nicky Morgan, Gerry Harrison, James McIntyre, Ray Attevelde, Mark Gavin, Terry Connor. Middle row (left to right): Buster Footman, Denis Smith, Wayne Allison, Dariusz Dziekanowski, Robert Edwards, Gary Campbell, Andy Leaning, Keith Welch, David Thompson, Matt Bryant, Brian Mitchell, Leroy Rosenoir, Steve Benton, Mark Harrison, Alan Crawford. Front row (left to right): Deoin Vernon, Andy Paterson, Shaun Rouse, Andy Cole, Russell Osman, Gary Shelton, Mark Aizlewood, Andy Llewellyn, Martin Scott, Junior Bent, Andy Hogg.



## CITY ON PARADE

ANDY LEANING (goalkeeper) - Andy began his career at York City in 1985 before joining Sheffield United two years later. He joined Bristol City, initially on loan, in September 1988 and the transfer was made permanent for £12,000 two months later.

MARK AIZLEWOOD(defender) - Signed from Bradford City for £110,000 in 1990, Mark has been a regular for City at the heart of the defence. A Welsh international, he began his career at Newport and later played for the Town, Charlton and Leeds United.

ANDY LLEWELLYN (defender) - The longest-serving player at Ashton Gate, Andy is a former England youth international. A tenacious full-back, he has amassed more than 300 appearances for the Robins.

RUSSELL OSMAN(defender) - Russell began his career at Ipswich where he won UEFA Cup and England honours. He joined Leicester for £200,000 in 1985 before joining Southampton three years later. Russell joined City for £60,000 in 1991 and is the club's assistant manager.

MARTIN SCOTT (defender) - City's only ever-present last season, Martin joined the club from Rotherham for £200,000 in 1990. He made his debut for United in 1986 and made more than 100 senior appearances for the Millers before moving to Ashton Gate.

BRIAN MITCHELL (defender) - Brian is an experienced defender who joined the club from Bradford City in June. Previously with Aberdeen, he featured in the Dons successful European exploits of the early eighties before joining Bradford.

RAY ATTEVELD (midfield) - Ray is a Dutch 'B' and under-21 international. He started his career with FC Haarlem before joining Everton in 1989. Ray had loan spells with West Ham and Middlesbrough last season before joining City for £250,000 in 1992.

ROB EDWARDS (midfield) - Rob joined City from Carlisle United for £135,000 in 1991. A Welsh youth and under-21 international, he made his debut last season and went on to make 15 league appearances.

GARY SHELTON (midfield) - Gary joined City in 1989 from Oxford United as part of an exchange deal with Steve McLaren. He has played over 400 league appearances in a career which has also taken in Walsall, Aston Villa and Sheffield Wednesday.

SHAUN ROUSE (midfield) - Shaun moved to Ashton Gate from Glasgow Rangers this summer. He joined Rangers from school but was unable to break into the first team despite captaining the reserves.

WAYNE ALLISON (forward) - Wayne joined City from Watford in 1990 in a deal

which took Mark Gavin to Vicarage Road. A powerful front-runner, he was City's leading goalscorer last season with 11 League and cup goals.

DARIUSZ DZIEKANOWSKI (forward) - A holder of 63 Polish international caps, 'Jacki' joined City from Celtic for £250,000 in 1992. A popular addition to the squad, Jacki scored some vital goals last season.

ANDREW COLE (forward) - Signed from Arsenal for a record £500,000 fee during the summer, Andy spent the final two months of last season on loan at Ashton Gate. His eight goals in 12 games were a major factor in the club avoiding relegation.

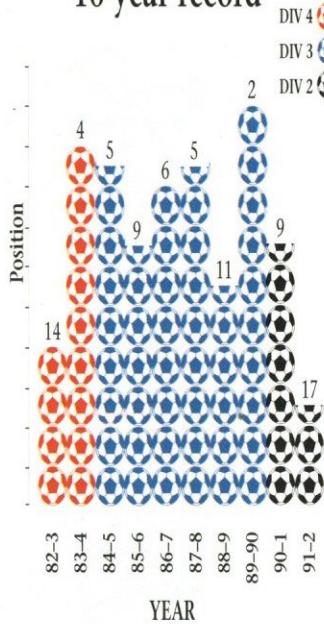
## THE MAN IN CHARGE



Denis was appointed manager at Ashton Gate on March 9, 1992 in succession to Jimmy Lumsden.

Previously he had been in charge at York and Sunderland after a

## Bristol City 10 year record



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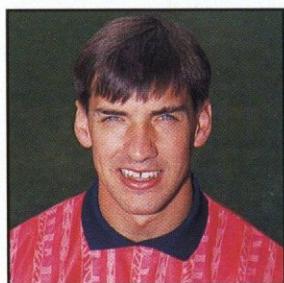
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## Meet the real Alec Chamberlain



### THE PERSON BEHIND THE PLAYER

**Name:** Alec Chamberlain

**Birthplace:** March, Cambs

**Date of Birth:** 20.6.64

**Height:** 6ft 1 3/4 ins

**Weight:** 13st 2 lbs

**Signed from:** Everton for £150,000 in 1988

**Previous clubs:** Ipswich, Colchester, Everton, Tranmere (loan)

**Luton Town debut:** v Crystal Palace (a), Simod Cup, 10.1.89

**International honours:** none

**Family:** Wife Jane and baby girl Natasha

**Car:** Cavalier SRi

**Starsign:** Gemini

**Top television programme:** I've always watched Cheers since it started when I was at Colchester United. It has always been on a Friday evening and as footballers are always in on a Friday, I have been able to watch it.

**Top television commentator:** Martin Tyler. He's gets on my nerves the least!

**Best recent film/video seen:** Misery, starring Kathy Bates and James Cairne. I don't watch that many, but when I need advice about which film is best to go and see, I always ask Ceri Hughes. He's an expert in the matter!

**Hobbies:** I like to play golf. I have a handicap of 13, but hope to get down into single figures this year. I usually play with Paul Telfer and Richard Harvey.

**Who did you support as a boy:** Peterborough United were my local team and I always went to watch them when they were at home. I was mascot for 'Posh' twice and was offered schoolboy trials for the club. However, my school only played rugby so I had to turn the opportunity down.

**Favourite away ground and why:** Villa Park holds happy memories for me. I once saved a penalty from David Platt there in a game which we won 3-1.

**Boot worn:** I'm not fussed and wear whatever the club provides me!

**What qualifications did you get at school and what would you be doing now if you were not a footballer:** Ever since I was offered schoolboy forms with Ipswich, I have only wanted to be a footballer. However, I passed six 'O' levels at school and started taking 'A' Levels at college but found it hard combining both football and college at the same time. I opted to give up college.

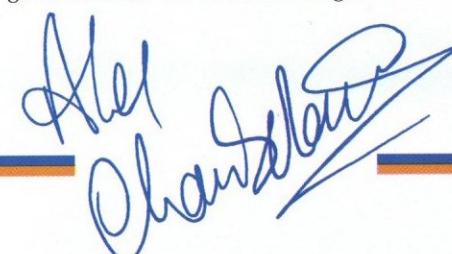
**What has been the highlight of your career so far in football:** Playing in the old First Division.

**Who are your favourite players past and present:** The former Peterborough goalkeeper Mick Dredrey was my favourite player when I was a kid. I used to look up to him and try to emulate the way he played. Today, I think Neville Southall is a great player and I was fortunate to play alongside him at Everton.

**What single piece of advice would you give to any young footballer hoping to make the grade:** Listen and learn to those who are experienced - you can never stop learning. Also work hard at your game.

**What young Town player do you tip to make the grade in coming seasons:** John Hartson is strong and aggressive. He has a good future in the game if he continues to work hard at his game.

**What are your main ambitions in football:** To keep my place at Luton and help the club get back into the Premier League.



Autograph

*Alec Chamberlain*

# EXECUTIVE MEMBERS

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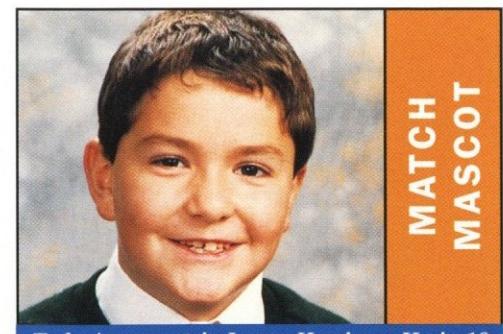
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**JUNIOR HATTERS WITH  
 RICHARD HARVEY**



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Today's mascot is James Harrison. He is 10 years old and attends Sandy Place Middle School. James plays football for his school and Cubs. His interests are music in the Sandy Scout Band and playing football. His favourite player is Andrew Pettersen.

**H**ere we go again on the road to Wembley. Let's hope we can enjoy a good run. It would be quite something to go all the way and win the F.A. Cup.

I hope that you all had a good Christmas and had plenty of presents. I know that Father Christmas was very busy this year, but he even found time to come to the Junior Hatters Party to give some presents away.

It was nice to see a Junior Hatters team playing on the pitch before the game at West Ham last week. It did not matter what the score was - it was good to see you enjoying yourselves and being friendly in football. That is what it's all about.

We still have a few seats left on the coach for the trip to Birmingham on Saturday, January 9th. The coach will leave from the top of Oak Road at 9am. The price will be £8

for Junior Hatters and £9 for parents. A packed lunch is recommended for this trip.

On January 16th our visitors will be Notts County. We will be playing football with them in the morning. If you would like to play football for the Junior Hatters would you let Bev know and he will let you know the venue. You will find him in the new Sports Shop in Kenilworth Road.

Today's lucky Junior Hatters Membership Number is 1042...MARTIN WATKINS. Martin wins two free tickets to one of our home games this season. To claim your prize, please call into the new Sports Shop in Kenilworth Road and bring your Membership Card with you.

## JUNIOR HATTERS SPOTLIGHT



Membership No: 1171  
 Name: Lee Turney  
 D.O.B./Place: 17/11/77, Kettering, Northants  
 School: Queensbury Upper  
 1st Luton Game: v Birmingham 85/86  
 Favourite Player: Alec Chamberlain  
 Favourite Ground: Old Trafford

Number of League Grounds visited: 18  
 Favourite Town Goal: Tim Breacker v Derby  
 Hobbies: Most sports  
 What do you like about football: The excitement and atmosphere  
 What do you dislike about football: Referees  
 Who accompanies you to Luton matches: My next door neighbour  
 Ambition on leaving school: To be successful in whatever I do

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Our ever-consistent midfielder,  
David Preece, is pictured at  
Molineux last month.



# The road to Kennington Oval



BACK TRACKING BY ROGER WASH

**T**he Town have not previously met Bristol City before in the F.A. Cup competition, but a search through the record books reveals that we have clashed with one of their predecessors, Bedminster, way back in 1891/92, our first season of professionalism.

The 'Road to Kennington Oval' began at Dallow Road on 3rd October, 1891, when Swindon were beaten 4-3 in a hard fought game watched by a crowd of 1000 which was about average for the time. Harry Whitby, George Deacon and Cheshire with two scored the all important goals which set up another home game, this time against Windsor Phoenix, in the 2nd qualifying round.

An easy 3-0 win followed, which put the Town at a stage past which they had never ventured before. Bedminster were seen to be

tough opponents but the Luton players, ably led by Arthur Taylor, returned with a 4-1 win under their belts - only to be told that the next round draw had paired them with Clifton. A further trip to Bristol had to be arranged three weeks later.

This time a hat trick from Harry Whitby secured a 3-0 win and ensured a place in the First Round proper for the first time. As a reward for their globe trotting exploits, the Town were drawn out of the hat first with their opponents named as Middlesbrough, one of the

strongest teams in the land.

Although a record crowd of 4000 turned up at Dallow Road to roar their encouragement, the Town were soundly beaten 3-0 by a far superior side and dreams of Cup glory were over for another year.

Forty five years later Frank Whitby, who was the Town's first professional player, visited the Luton News office and spoke to "Crusader" about his time with the Club. Amongst his recollections was the cup run of 1891/92 of which he said: "There was great rivalry between Bedminster and Clifton, and when Luton visited Clifton the Bedminster crowd went to the match and gave Luton their best support. The reason was that there were several collegians in the Clifton side, whereas the Bedminster team was composed of working men.

"When we played Bedminster, 'Hod' Paul, my brother Harry and I travelled down on the Friday night and stayed until the Sunday. After the match

some of the opposing team members said they would show us the sights of Bristol the following morning, with the result that we ended up at the Clifton Suspension Bridge.

"One of the Bedminster fellows mentioned that no one had ever been able to throw a stone across the river at that point and as I had won prizes for throwing a cricket ball in the past, I decided to give it a go. My first throw cleared the river, the wall and the road beyond sending the missile into some trees.

"Our friends stood in astonishment at the feat for a while, and then one of

them remarked that two policemen were coming up the road, and there was a penalty for throwing stones. The locals all disappeared while we stood our ground not knowing what to do.

"Hod' Paul, who had not thrown at all, stood with his back to the wall while one of the policemen took out his notebook and accused him of throwing stones, saying that he had seen him throw.

"During the argument that followed my brother and I slipped away while 'Hod' was arrested."

One wonders what the tabloids would have made of that today - certainly a case



Brian Horton hit the target against 'Posh' in 1983.

of players with too much time and money on their hands!

## A HATTER AND A ROBIN

**B**orn in Dorchester, David Noake joined his local side as a youngster, soon forcing his way into the Western League club's first team just as it was about to embark on a record F.A. Cup run - which ended with Port Vale putting them out.

Luton manager Syd Owen, watched him personally and being impressed by this fast, strong 19-year-old left winger agreed to pay a fee of £2,000 to bring him to Kenilworth Road in November 1959. A friendly game at Dorchester was also arranged as part of the deal.

Although not really ready for it, Noake made his League debut at home to Sheffield Wednesday the following February, going on to make six more appearance as the Town slipped out of Division One. He made a further ten appearances the following season as the club tried to acclimatise to its new environment. It seems certain he would have been more successful in a more stable regime.

David Noake joined Bristol City in the summer of 1961 and enjoyed a rather better time at Ashton Gate, scoring in his first home game.

**5** It happened 5 years ago:-  
9/1/88 The Town won a difficult third round tie at Hartlepool, with goals from Micky Weir and Darron McDonough.

**10** It happened 10 years ago:-  
8/1/83 Goals from Brian Horton, Ricky Hill and Paul Walsh ensured a rather easy 3-0 win over Peterborough at Kenilworth Road. Ian Benjamin was in the Posh side that day.

**15** It happened 15 years ago:-  
7/1/78 A tough 3rd round tie at Kenilworth Road against Oldham ended in a 1-1 draw. Lil Fuccillo was on target for the Town with Steve Taylor, later to join our ranks, netting for the Latics.

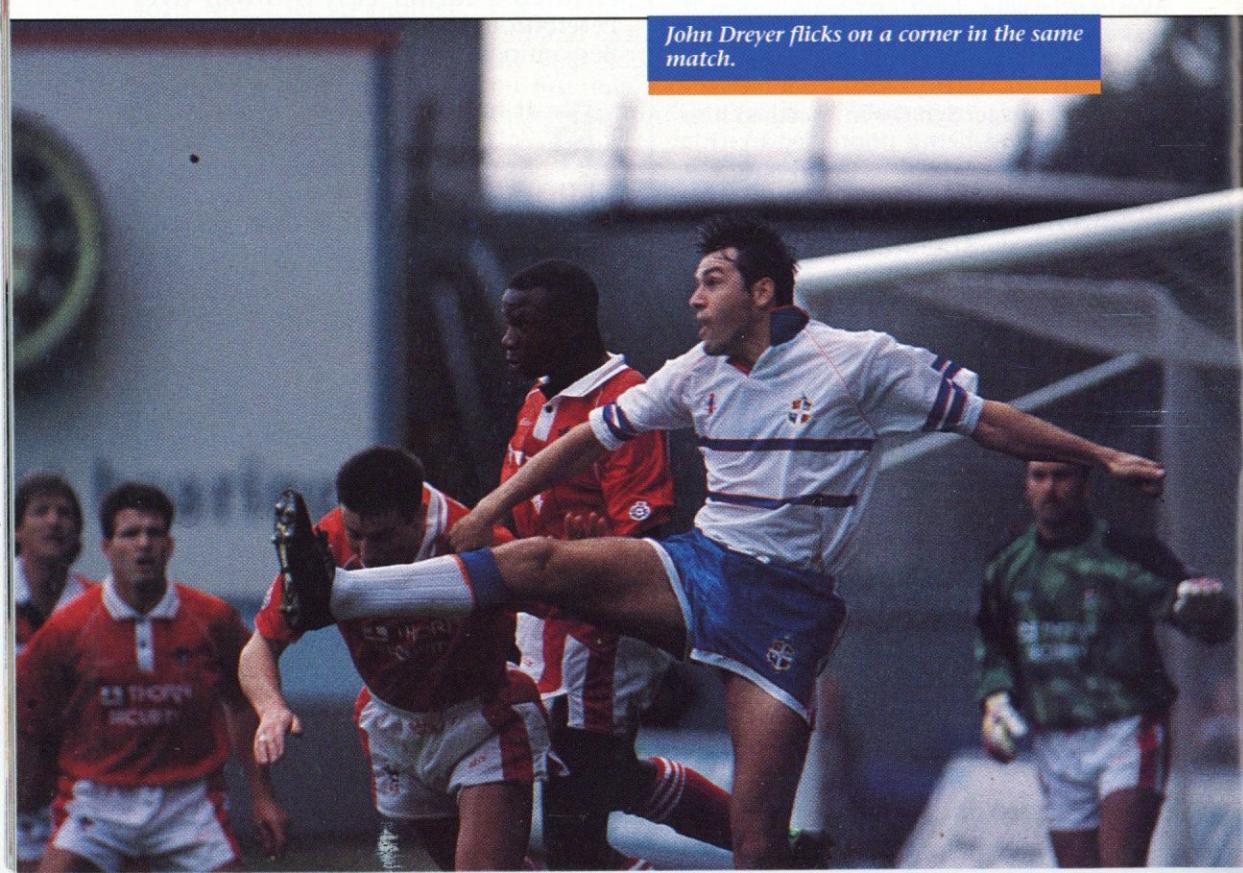
**20** It happened 20 years ago:-  
13/1/73 The Town made hard work in disposing of Fourth Division Crewe at Kenilworth Road. Both the Luton goals in the 2-0 win came in the second half.

## PREVIOUS ENCOUNTERS

	P	W	D	L	F	A
Home	18	9	6	3	31	18
Away	17	5	2	10	18	37
Total	35	14	8	13	49	55



Julian James takes on City's Gary Shelton when the two sides met at Kenilworth Road in August.



John Dreyer flicks on a corner in the same match.



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# Troubled times for Rudi and Co

## SCENE AROUND EUROPE

**A**s most of the continent continues its mid-winter break, we review the title chasers throughout western Europe.

In France, it appears Marseille's stranglehold of the First Division title is approaching its end. Since the departure of Jean-Pierre Papin, Chris Waddle and Trevor Steven last season, the club have failed to put together anywhere near a consistent run. At the time of writing, they have won only eight of their 17 matches and new signings have failed to impress.

The most notable being German World Cup striker Rudi Voller. He has scored only four goals this season and is currently out of action after dislocating his shoulder in a European Cup match with F.C. Brugge. Croatian Alec Boksic has stepped in in recent weeks, but Rudi is still confident that the club can turn around their current indifferent run. He said: "I know much has been said about the players who have left the club, but I am confident we have a side well-equipped to achieve success. Oman Biyik and

Martin Vasquez have also joined the club and it inevitably takes time to settle in to new surroundings. The trouble is, this club is used to instant success...the supporters demand it."

Nantes and Monaco currently lead the Division with 26 and 25 points respectively. Nantes were almost relegated by order of a league commission last season, because of financial problems. But the young team with an average age of 23 has set the league alight this season.

After last season's disappointing mid-table position, German giants Bayern Munich are leading the Bundesliga at the halfway mark. Anchoring the midfield this season is Lothar Matthaeus, who has hit top form again after a lengthy

knee ligament injury and has scored five goals.

Coaches have been kept particularly busy in Germany. Jurgen Gelsdorf walked out on Borussia Moenchengladbach two weeks ago, to be replaced by former Austrian World Cup defender Bernd Krauss. Troubled Stuttgart coach Christoph Daum - on the brink of dismissal after blundering over the foreigner's rule in the Champion's Cup against Leeds - not only kept his job but signed a two year extension. Koln's faith in Jorg Berger was rewarded when, after an awful start to the season, they pulled away from the relegation zone with four straight wins in November.

Spanish champions Barcelona began the season with six trophies in view. Their form this season suggests that their domination will continue this term. They are currently top of the table on 21 points, one point clear of their arch rivals Real Madrid, who even at this stage of the season, are clearly worried about Barca's form. "As much as I hate to admit it, Barca are playing much more fluently than we are," said Real Madrid star Robert Prozinecki. Entering into the spirit of things, Barcelona defender Ronald Koeman had a modest contribution to make. "We are the best team at the moment, better than Real Madrid in every department."

Milan's domination in Italy is such that the leading contenders are already thinking about next season and have given up on title pretence. With the world's most expensive player, £15 million Gianluigi Lentini, providing the ammunition for Papin and Marco Van Basten, the club have now stretched their unbeaten league run to 50 matches. However, Lentini knows that with such a strong squad, nobody has a divine right to play. "You can never relax at a club like this," he said. "Personally, I know I will have to bear the cross of all this money because the press, I can already guess, will talk about how much I cost after every poor performance."

Milan are six points clear of Fiorentina and Torino, who both have 15 points from 13 games.

Changing coaches has made little difference to PSV Eindhoven. For two years under Bobby Robson they won the Dutch League and now, guided by Hans Westerhof, their domination continues. Despite losing first-choice centre-backs Erwin Koeman and Barry Van Earle, they are four points clear of their nearest rivals. They lead the table on 24 points, four points clear of FC Utrecht. Ajax are currently struggling in sixth place, but have mounted a serious challenge in this season's UEFA Cup.



Gianluigi Lentini - leading the Milan charge this season.

AND LUTON TOWN

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Aug 15	Leicester City	1-2	17,428	16	Patterson	Linton	James	Kamara	Peake	Dreyer	Clardige	Hughes	Gray	Preece	CAMPBELL	Sutton
Aug 22	Bristol City	0-3	7,926	22	Patterson	Linton	James	Kamara	Peake	Dreyer	Clardige	Hughes	Gray	Preece	CAMPBELL	[Claridge] [Dakes] [Johnston]
Aug 29	Charlton Athletic	0-0	6,302	21	Patterson	Linton	James	Sailton	Peake	Dreyer	Clardige	Hughes	Gray	Preece	CAMPBELL	Campbell
Sept 2	Newcastle United	0-2	27,054	21	Patterson	LINTON	James	Sailton	Peake	Dreyer	CLARDIGE	OAKES	GRAY	Preece	Rees	Johnston [Campbell]
Sept 5	Tranmere Rovers	3-3	6,801	23	Patterson	Linton	James	Sailton	Peake	Dreyer	CLARDIGE	OAKES	GRAY	Preece	Rees	Johnston [Campbell]
Sept 13	Brentford	2-1	7,310	19	Patterson	Linton	James	Sailton	Peake	Johnson	Clardige	Kamara	GRAY	Preece	Rees	Oakes [Campbell]
Sept 15	Bristol City (A/C)	0-0	5,197	-	Patterson	Linton	James	Sailton	Peake	Johnson	Clardige	Kamara	GRAY	Preece	Rees	Oakes [Campbell]
Sept 19	Birmingham City	1-1	8,481	21	Patterson	Linton	James	Sailton	Peake	Johnson	CLARDIGE (pen)	Kamara	GRAY	Preece	Rees	[Campbell] [Rees]
Sept 23	Plymouth Argyle (CC221)	2-2	3,702	-	Patterson	Linton	James	Sailton	Peake	Johnson	CLARDIGE 2	Kamara	GRAY	Preece	Oakes	[Rees] [Campbell]
Sept 26	Notts County	0-0	5,982	21	Patterson	Linton	James	Sailton	Matthew	Dreyer	Clardige	Kamara	GRAY	Preece	Oakes	[Campbell]
Sept 29	Bristol City (A/C)	1-1	2,538	-	Patterson	Linton	James	Sailton	Matthew	Dreyer	CLARDIGE	Kamara	GRAY	Preece	Rees	[Preese] [Campbell]
Oct 3	Portsmouth	1-4	7,954	22	Patterson	Linton	James	Sailton	Matthew	Dreyer	CLARDIGE	Kamara	GRAY	Preece	Rees	[Matthew] [Campbell]
Oct 6	Plymouth Argyle (CC222)	2-3	8,496	-	Patterson	Linton	James	Sailton	Matthew	Dreyer	CLARDIGE	Kamara	GRAY	Preece	Rees	[Dakes] [Matthew]
Oct 10	Barnsley	0-3	5,261	23	Patterson	(Linton)	James	Sailton	Matthew	Dreyer	CLARDIGE	Kamara	GRAY	Preece	Rees	[Dakes] [Matthew]
Oct 17	Derby County	1-3	8,484	23	Patterson	Linton	James	Sailton	JOHNSON	Matthew	CLARDIGE	Kamara	GRAY	Preece	Rees	[Campbell]
Oct 24	Peterborough United	3-2	7,125	22	Patterson	Linton	James	Sailton	JOHNSON	Matthew	CLARDIGE	Kamara	GRAY	Preece	Rees	[Campbell]
Oct 31	Southend United	2-2	7,256	22	Patterson	Linton	James	Sailton	JOHNSON	Matthew	CLARDIGE	Kamara	GRAY	Preece	Rees	[Campbell]
Nov 3	Cambridge United	3-3	5,716	22	Patterson	Linton	James	Sailton	JOHNSON	Peake	CLARDIGE	Kamara	GRAY	Preece	Rees	[Campbell]
Nov 7	Grimsby Town	1-4	6,928	22	Chamberlain	(Linton)	James	Sailton	JOHNSON	Peake	CLARDIGE	Kamara	GRAY	Preece	Rees	[Campbell]
Nov 14	Oxford United	0-4	5,760	22	Chamberlain	Linton	James	Sailton	JOHNSON	Peake	CLARDIGE	Kamara	GRAY	Preece	Rees	[Campbell]
Nov 21	Millwall	1-1	8,371	23	Chamberlain	Dreyer	James	Sailton	JOHNSON	Peake	CLARDIGE	Kamara	GRAY	Preece	Rees	[Campbell]
Nov 29	Watford	2-0	8,341	21	Chamberlain	Dreyer	James	Johnson	JOHNSON	Peake	CLARDIGE	Kamara	GRAY	Preece	Rees	[Campbell]
Dec 5	Bristol Rovers	0-2	6,245	22	Chamberlain	Dreyer	James	Johnson	JOHNSON	Peake	CLARDIGE	Kamara	GRAY	Preece	Rees	[Campbell]
Dec 12	Wolverhampton Wanderers	2-1	13,932	20	Chamberlain	Dreyer	James	Johnson	JOHNSON	Peake	CLARDIGE	Kamara	GRAY	Preece	Rees	[Campbell]
Dec 19	Sunderland	0-0	8,286	20	Chamberlain	Dreyer	James	Johnson	JOHNSON	Peake	CLARDIGE	Kamara	GRAY	Preece	Rees	[Campbell]
Dec 26	Swindon Town (11.30 am)															
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Apr 17	Sunderland															
Apr 24	Derby County															
May 1	Peterborough United															
May 8	Southend United															
May 15	F.A. Cup Final															

## DIVISION ONE LEADING GOALSCORERS (all competitions)

Whittingham (Plymouth) 22; Aldridge (Tranmere) 20;  
Blissett (Brentford) 19; Maskell (Swindon) 18;  
Allen (West Ham) 15.

## Luton Town F.C. Appearances and Goalscorers 1992-93

League	Coca-Cola Cup	AI Cup	FA Cup	Apps	Gls	Apps	Gls	Apps	Gls	W	D	L	F	A	Pts	Av	Att	Leading Goalscorers
Ian Benjamin	4(1)	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	20	16	1	3	40	15	49	28,727	Peacock 10, Kitson 9
Jamie Campbell	2(7)	1	-(1)	-	1(1)	-	-	-	-	20	12	4	4	40	22	40	6,838	Aldridge 14, Nevin 7
Alec Chamberlain	7	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	20	11	3	6	40	22	36	13,730	Morley 13, Allen 12
Steve Clarke	15(1)	2	3	2	1	-	-	-	-	20	9	7	4	31	18	34	8,052	Allen 7, Barber 4
John Dreyer	13	1	-(1)	-	1	-	-	-	-	20	8	7	6	34	25	31	10,987	Whittingham 18
Phil Gray	21	10	2	-	2	-	-	-	-	20	8	7	6	25	21	31	6,732	Pardew 6
Cen Hughes	8	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	20	9	3	8	33	26	33	14,232	Bull 9
Julian James	21	2	2	-	2	-	-	-	-	20	8	6	5	33	26	33	7,921	Adcock 10, Philiskirk 7
Marvin Johnson	13(2)	1	2	-	1	-	-	-	-	20	8	4	8	32	25	28	8,720	Blissett 13
Chris Kamara	12	-	2	-	2	-	-	-	-	20	8	4	8	30	26	28	5,873	Mendonca 6, Groves 5
Des Linton	16(3)	1	2	-	1	-	-	-	-	20	7	4	10	27	43	25	11,020	Cole 6
Damien Matthew	3(2)	-	1	-	1	-	-	-	-	20	7	4	10	27	43	25	16,208	Goodman 5, Cunningham 4
Scott Oakes	10(10)	3	1(1)	-	-	-	-	-	-	20	7	4	10	27	43	25	6,662	Biggins 9
Trevor Peake	16	-	2	-	1	-	-	-	-	20	6	4	12	31	47	22	6,012	Taylor 8
Andy Patterson	14	-	2	-	2	-	-	-	-	20	4	8	9	23	41	20	7,814	Gray 10, Benjamin 8 (with Southend)
David Preece	20	-	2	1	1(1)	-	-	-	-	20	5	5	10	18	35	20	9,208	Train 3
Jason Rees	15	-	1(1)	-	2	-	-	-	-	20	4	7	11	22	41	19	8,427	Bartlett 4
Daren Salton	15	-	2	-	2	-	-	-	-	20	4	7	11	21	40	19	5,402	Claridge 4 (with Luton), White 4
Paul Telfer	6(1)	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	20	6	11	21	31	18	18	4,496	Collymore 4, Ansah 3
Martin Williams	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	20	6	11	21	31	18	18	(up to and including 19.12.92)	

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A civil servant, Gary commenced refereeing in youth football in Sussex in 1977 and progressed via the Isthmian to the full League list in 1990. He lists his hobbies as watching and participating in most sports. He is also vice-president of the Brighton Referees' Association.

**THE MAN IN THE MIDDLE:  
GARY WILLARD**  
(WORTHING, WEST SUSSEX)

VOUCHER NUMBER 12

## 2 LUTON TOWN

Colours: White/Blue Shirts,  
Blue/White shorts

Manager: David Pleat

Alec Chamberlain  
John Dreyer  
Julian James  
Marvin Johnson  
† Ceri Hughes  
Trevor Peake  
Paul Telfer  
Ian Benjamin  
Jason Rees  
† Phil Gray  
David Preece

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## 0 BRISTOL CITY

Colours: Red Shirts,  
White Shorts

Manager: Denis Smith

Keith Welch  
Gerry Harrison  
Martin Scott  
Rob Edwards  
Matt Bryant  
Russell Osman  
Gary Shelton  
Junior Bent  
Leroy Rosenoir  
Andrew Cole  
Mark Gavin

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