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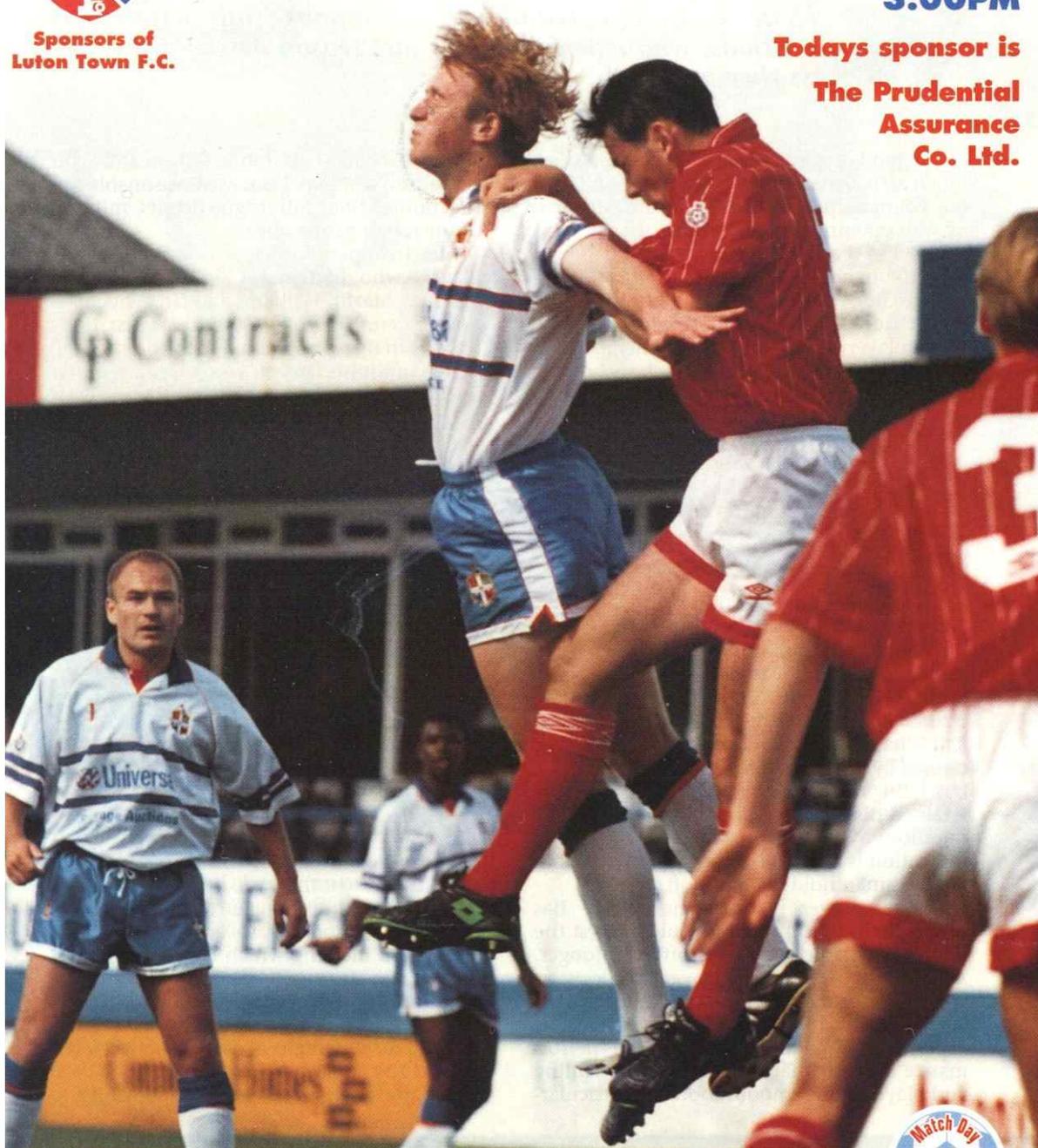
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Our eager group face some tough games ahead



ON THE BALL WITH DAVID PLEAT

Welcome to Bolton Wanderers, a famous club with great traditions, whose performances last season deserved the success they achieved.

I extend a particular welcome to Bruce Rioch an old sparing partner whose son Greg, our youngest professional, played in all three of our opening reserve games which were won 4-1, 4-2 and 5-1.

With our club's current situation, it is players like Greg who we will be looking for to rise up the ladder and gain a first-team place. The latest player to get an opportunity is John Hartson who, despite his youth, has shown a willingness to take the better standard in his stride.

Two weeks ago, he was unlucky not to score more goals on his debut and, like so many other youngsters, if he keeps his feet on the ground I am sure he will have a good future.

It was galling to lose the Forest game and I am sure Mr Willard made an honest error when Mark Crossley dropped the ball in a crowded goal mouth. The ball had already been cleared by the Forest players but the linesman had retained his flag. It begs the question: When an offside indication is made, how long afterwards does the linesman hold his flag aloft?

If the answer is once the referee has acknowledged him, then I would suggest the linesman's flag could stay aloft even longer. Anyway, it was a controversial decision which was made hard to bear by the disputed late goal by Ian Woan.

Looking beyond the result, the performance showed that our group were willing and played some smooth football, particular-

ly in the second-half. John Hartson and Scott Houghton can look back with reasonable satisfaction at their full league debuts, mindful of the tough games ahead.

The treatment room is clearing the two players who had major operations in the summer. Martin Williams and Greg Rioch are now fit enough to be judged, whilst there have been no worries about the fitness of Paul Telfer and John Dreyer, who also had minor operations. We have just heard that Andrew Jukes, one of our second year YTS boys, may

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have to have a 12 month rest because of a stress fracture in the back.

The whole question of 'over play' is one that is being addressed and last Friday I attended a meeting which covered this concern. It was quite enlightening, and I am sure that if we are to succeed in world football, we have to look more scientifically at the training and development of players between the ages of 12 and 21.

Today's game gives us an opportunity to



The 'H-Plan' takes effect against Nottingham Forest as John Hartson and Scott Houghton mount another attack.

push into the middle of the table. I do feel that league tables so early in the season can be baffling. Some clubs have played six games, others three.

What we know for sure is that it is a tremendous commitment for professional players to attempt to play consistently for 46 league games, with the possibility of several cup games in three competitions. I noticed that Leicester City had played their reserve side in the Anglo-Italian game at Peterborough. Other managers have expressed concern about the size of their staffs for the workload that is required over nine months.

We are looking all the time to add to our staff, but it must be with our current finances in mind. We are stabilising the position but, unfortunately, there is no eminent money available to purchase players.

We have been looking at a young player

from Canada and there is a possibility we will sign him. Unfortunately, in these matters, if the player does satisfactorily, misinformation and interference from agents can cause headaches that might preclude a permanency.

Enjoy today's game. Bolton proved last season how effective they can be away from home. We must strive to lower their colours today. Nothing less than 100 per cent will be good enough.

Guiding the youngsters through

THE CAPITAL INTERVIEW BY SIMON MICHAELSON



Capital Gold Sport reporter, Simon Michaelson, looks at the current crop of youngsters making the grade in the First Division at Kenilworth Road.

Not having an endless supply of money to spend in the transfer market, Luton are always going to look to their young players to come through and fill first-team places. With a great tradition over the years of producing young talent, how does the present crop of youngsters compare, and who are the names Town supporters should be looking out for?

Fans are already familiar with the names of Hughes, Rees, Oakes, Williams and Telfer, who between them, have now made a number of first-team appearances and, if they can steer clear of injury, can realistically hope for another ten years or more in the game.

John Hartson is an 18-year-old who made a big impact last month by scoring on his league debut against Nottingham Forest. He is a player for whom the club have high hopes. Another is Aaron Skelton (also 18), who would have been knocking on the first-team door but, unfortunately, picked up a thigh injury in the pre-season tour of Scotland and is unlikely to be back to full fitness much before the turn of the year.

The presence of all these youngsters places extra responsibility on the shoulders of the more senior professionals, such as Trevor Peake and David Preece, to provide encouragement and football education. Both are well aware of the role they are expected to play.

Trevor said: "We can offer advice and encouragement. Sometimes it is whether they want to take that advice or not. We've got a few lads who are very confident in their own game and want to do their own thing at times. I think they've got to learn when to listen to the experienced pros and when to take the advice.

"You've got to realise that these lads have done very well to get where they are in the game at the moment. I know the supporters expect high things of anyone who plays in the first-team, but it is bound to take time for them to play well on a consistent basis."

The advice can be given to youngsters, both on match day and at other times, says Trevor: "On the pitch is when it really counts, but you can put in a

lot of work on the training ground. You can advise them there, where you have more time to go through things thoroughly, than in a match situation. You just keep prodding and hope it becomes as it has for myself and David, like clockwork."

David's view on young players is very similar: "You try and help them and point them in the right direction, but at the end of the day, it depends whether they want it. You can see in a few of the boys that they do want it and I believe one or two will do it.

"The youth team last year was quite decent and there are a couple of second-year apprentices who look quite good. It could be an interesting season because they'll all get the chance to prove themselves."

So get along to Kenilworth Road regularly this season, get behind the youngsters and, of course, take your terrace tranny for all the Hatters' news on Capital Gold Sport 1548 AM.



Ceri Hughes and Jason Rees are learning their trade in the Hatters' first-team.



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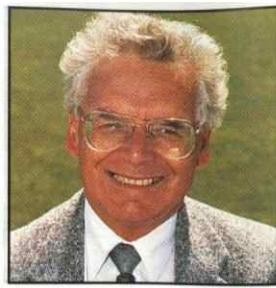
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The passing of a Welsh Hatters' favourite



ON THE INSIDE BY JOHN SMYLIE

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■ It is with deep regret that we record the death of the club's former Welsh international goalkeeper Iorweth Hughes. His death on Saturday, August 28, at the age of 68, occurred after a brief illness. Iorweth, who was born in Abergale, joined the Town from Llandudno in April 1949. During his two-year stay, he played 36 games and in 1951 gained four Welsh international caps. He was transferred in August 1951 to Cardiff City where he played 36 games. He then moved to Worcester City and in August 1953 joined Newport County, where he remained until 1957, having made 106 appearances for them.

■ The two fixtures involving our youth team have now been arranged for this month. On Wednesday 15, the side travel to Upton Park for a Southern Junior Floodlight Cup match, kick-off 7.00 pm. On Monday 20, the young Hatters entertain Cambridge City here at Kenilworth Road in the Eastern Junior Cup, kick-off 7.30 pm. Admission prices for this game will be £1.50 adults, 50p senior citizens/children. Only the Main Stand and Main Stand Enclosure areas, will be available to spectators.

■ One of the benefits available to supporters following our involvement with Jewson and the Family Room, is a Jewson Football League Family Discount Card. This enables the holder to purchase, at trade prices, a wide range of paints, timber and building material products from any Jewson branch in the UK. Our local branch is located at Moulden Road, Flitwick, Beds MK45 5BT, telephone: (0525) 713811. Branch Manager David Thornley is always available to offer assistance and advice. Supporters wishing to obtain a card can do so by personal application at the Ticket Office.

■ On Monday next, a Town XI visit Creasey Park to play Dunstable Town, kick-off 7.30 pm. This match is being staged in memory of John Stanford, who died suddenly at the age of 23. A former assistant secretary of the 'Blues', he also reported on their home games for the local Gazette newspaper. A life-long Luton supporter who, prior to his death, was employed by Gibbs and Dandy. Both teams will be competing for a trophy to be awarded annually.

■ Mrs Sarah Pearson, wife of club president Ed, has recently been ill but I am pleased to report that she is now feeling much better. I am sure all supporters will join me in wishing her a speedy recovery. Mrs Pearson has asked me to pass on her thanks to all the people who have sent cards and get-well messages. Their concern and thoughtfulness has been much appreciated.

Let's change our false position



CAPTAIN'S COLUMN BY TREVOR PEAKE

Results have gone against us in recent games, but we know that we are better than our current league position indicates.

Nottingham Forest are considered one of the favourites for automatic promotion this season but, as I am sure our supporters will agree, we matched them comfortably and could have won the game. The refereeing decisions went against us that day, which left us all bitterly disappointed but, once we had time to reflect on the performance, we knew we had played well.

I must congratulate John Hartson on the way he came into the side and scored on his league



Trevor clears his lines at Watford in the Anglo Italian Cup

debut. He looks a good prospect for the future but, like I have said elsewhere in the programme, he must continue to work hard and listen to the more experienced pros around him. I know he will, and I am sure he will go on to achieve much in his career.

The Anglo-Italian game at Watford was another which we could have won, but failed to do so. Countless opportunities were created, but we failed to put the ball in the net and paid for it. It is pleasing, however, to note that our defence is looking stronger and stronger and we aim to repeat the meanness which helped us achieve our record run last season.

Today's game will be our first against newly-promoted opposition. I am sure Bolton will be keen to make an impression this season, and because they are an unknown quantity, they will be a threat. With Bruce Rioch's son Greg on our books, we have been digging for some 'inside information', but to no avail! With three tough away fixtures coming up, we know we need to pick up maximum points this afternoon. Get behind the lads in the same way you did against Forest. It's great to hear you all getting so involved.

Enjoy the game.

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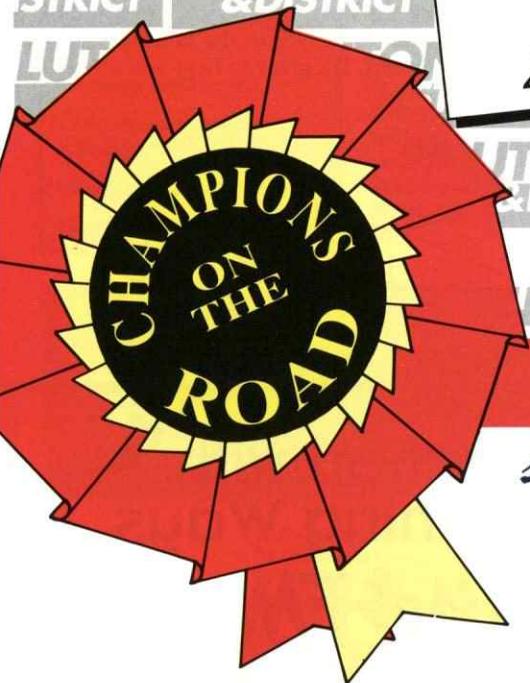
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Pompey disappointed with early season form



NEWS ON ONE

In a weekend disrupted by international fixtures, Charlton took full advantage and rose to the top of the First Division, whilst last season's third placed team, Portsmouth, fail to find their form.

Pompey were one of the critics' favourites for promotion before the season started, but have only managed a meagre five points from six games so far.

While all Premiership fixtures were postponed because of a week of international activity, those in the First Division could only ask for a postponement if they had two players in national squads.

For this reason, the games at Bolton, Nottingham Forest, and Sunderland were all postponed - giving today's teams a much needed rest. However, Jim Smith's Portsmouth, riddled with injuries and suspension, could not cancel their home game against Stoke, despite having Kit Symons in the Welsh squad and Alan McLoughlin in the Eire squad.

The reason for the FA refusing Smith's request for a postponement was that the Irish squad did not convene until the Sunday. Smith moaned: "I tried to get the match off but the League would not agree. It is not right, but there is nothing you can do about it. You know what the Irish are like!"

Smith's team, though, battled hard against a tenacious Stoke side and held on for a 3-3 draw. Among Portsmouth's injured is former England international Paul Walsh, and if the Pompey chimes are to ring again this season, a prolific scorer to replace Guy Whittingham will need to be found.

In the Division there are plenty of candidates to take Whittingham's top-scorer spot this term, after his departure to Aston Villa. The teams in the First Division have played anything from three to six games, so Middlesbrough's Colin Hendry, and Stoke's Mark Stein have had a great start and netted six times.

The other top scorers are spread evenly around the Division, ranging from Sunderland's Don Goodman near the bottom (5) to Palace's Chris Armstrong (5) near the top.

Charlton do not have anyone in the top-scorers table yet, and they fell to a sucker punch in the 89th minute at Vicarage Road after Gary Nelson and Scott Minto had put them 2-1 in front.

Minto, the scorer of Charlton's second goal, was watched by a posse of Premiership scouts, but is more worried about Charlton's table-topping team being broken up.

He said: "I've seen so many players leave. I broke into the team when I was 17 and I am one of the few survivors from when Charlton were in the top flight."

The England under-21 star made the short journey to the New Den on Tuesday, for the match against Poland and his first experience of the £15 million ground. Millwall's performances so far have not been enhanced by their new surroundings, although they managed to secure their first home win, 2-0 against Barnsley, on Saturday.

Soccer Quiz 4/93 **by AL**

Test your soccer knowledge and guesswork and see how many questions you can get right out of ten.

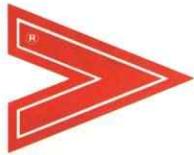
- 1 He scored 13 penalties in a season (A) Francis Lee (B) Denis Law (C) Ian Rush
- 2 Valencia play in which country? (A) Portugal (B) Italy (C) Spain
- 3 The first British club to enter the European Cup (A) Celtic (B) Hibs (C) Leeds
- 4 They have scored most goals (142) in a season (A) Raith (B) Villa (C) Rangers
- 5 They are known as the "Tigers" (A) Millwall (B) Aberdeen (C) Hull City
- 6 England's biggest ever victory was (A) 13-0 (B) 9-0 (C) 7-0
- 7 Matt Busby played for which club? (A) Everton (B) Man City (C) West Bromwich
- 8 They play at Dalymount Park (A) Linfield (B) Cork City (C) Bohemians
- 9 The Sincil Bank club is (A) Clyde (B) Wrexham (C) Lincoln City
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Last weeks mystery star was Carlton Palmer

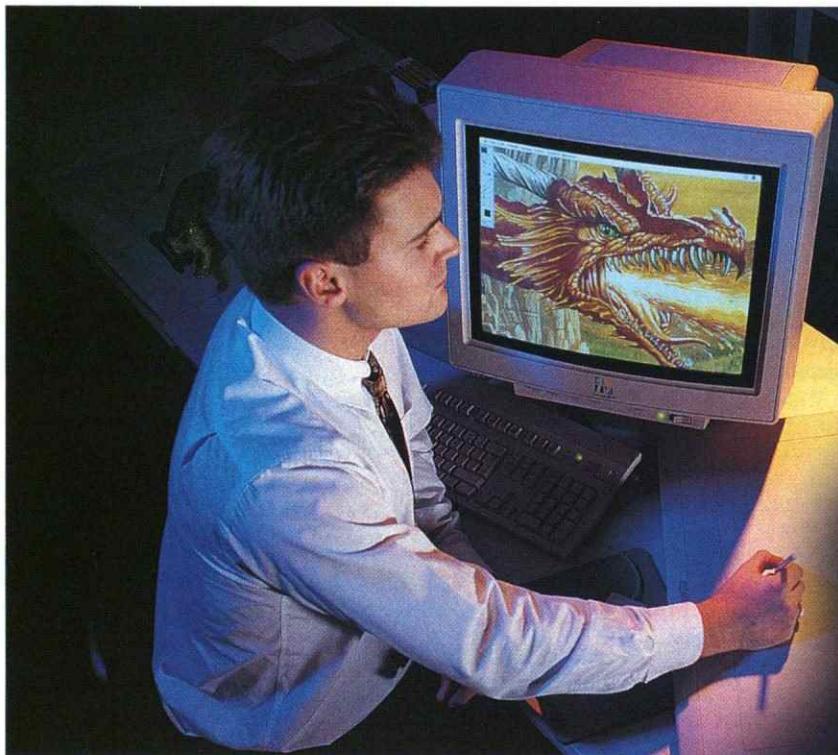
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AN HONOURED HATTER

Dear Sir,

On September 8, I was presented with the BEM (British Empire Medal), which was awarded to me in the 1993 New Years honours list. This award was on behalf of my fund-raising charity work.

The reason I am writing to you is to thank, through your column, the management, players and supporters, both past and present, for all their help and support to me personally and the appeal in general. Without this assistance from Luton Town and many other people, this award would never have been possible.

Grateful thanks for all your past and hopefully future help.

Tom Forder BEM, 18 Uplands, Sundon Park, Luton, Beds LU3 3HG.

THANK-YOU FOR YOUR HELP

Dear Sir,

I am writing to thank you for the help my family received on Saturday, August 28 at the home game with Nottingham Forest. Before the match, our eldest son Russell cut his head on an iron crash barrier and the Police, stewards and St John Ambulance were all marvellous.

Russell was taken to the Police Room, where he was checked and cleaned up. We were then given seats which was wonderful. We are pleased to say that the care and concern helped us all to enjoy the game. Russell has had no ill effects and we shall all be returning to Luton Town.

K Moroney, 15 Tudor Close,
Barton-Le-Clay, Beds MK45 4NE.

JUNIOR REDS ENJOY THEIR VISIT

Dear Sir,

I am writing on behalf of the Nottingham Forest Junior Reds to

thank Gary Hooper for making our visit to Kenilworth Road such a success. We all enjoyed our day out, especially with the result of the match. With that kind of luck, the team could win the Grand National.

We look forward to entertaining a party of Junior Hatters at the City Ground, Nottingham, in the future.

John Reynolds, NFFC Junior Reds, City Ground, Nottingham NG2 7SR.

STANDING ROOM ONLY

Dear Sir,

A new season of 'Standing Room Only' kicked off on Monday, September 6, at 6.55 pm on BBC2.

This five-programme series sees the return of original presenter Simon O'Brien to the team after 18 months on the west coast of America. He joins regular team-mate Shelley Webb, whose inside knowledge made last season's shows compulsive viewing for those in, as well as outside, the game.

Standing Room Only, the voice of the fan on the terraces (and the fan who used to be on the terraces when his/her club had them) will be taking its usual irreverent look at the game it loves, with a mixture of light-hearted features and hard-hitting reports on the controversial issues in the news.

Judy Leighton, BBC North Publicity, PO Box 27, Oxford Road, Manchester M60 1SJ,

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Can you spot the 10 differences between the two pictures?

Action Replay

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Date: August 28, 1993

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Scott Houghton launches another Town raid down the left wing.



Ceri Hughes skips Webb's sliding challenge.



Marvin Johnson holds off the attention of England international Neil Webb.

Youngsters impress against champions



AROUND THE TOWN

A mixture of 16 and 17-year-olds from the Town's youth team played the Kuwaiti champions Al Arabi recently in a friendly fixture. The Kuwaitis, led by former Chelsea manager Bobby Campbell, won the match 3-0 although Town boss David Pleat was impressed by his young side. He said: "I was delighted with the way our young lads performed. Al Arabi play in front of 30,000 fans regularly and are an experienced side. I was more than pleased with the attitude and ability of school-boys Sam Turner, Sean Evers, Stuart Douglas and Andrew Fortiadis."

INJURED PAIR RETURN TO ACTION

Richard Harvey and Tony Thorpe, who both missed the start of the season through injury, are on the comeback trail. Richard has started training, following a recurring knee problem, while Tony Thorpe is running again after rupturing a thigh muscle.

HUGHES SIGNS NEW CONTRACT

Town midfielder Ceri

Hughes has signed a new contract with the Hatters that will keep him at Kenilworth Road until 1995. He joined the Hatters, from apprentice, in 1989 and has represented Wales at all levels.

TRIALIST AUNGER IMPRESSES THE BOSS

Canadian international Geoff Aunger, 25, who recently joined the Hatters as a trialist, has made an impressive start to his time at Kenilworth Road. He has netted four goals in his opening two Neville Ovenden appearances and his form has impressed the coaching staff. "Two years ago he was at Ipswich Town and we asked them for a recommendation. They saw him as a midfielder, but we have used him in attack and he has performed well. Due to matters out of our hands, we don't yet know the length of his stay. We could have him here for a month, three, or even a season."

REASON BEHIND SUNDERLAND POSTPONEMENT

Our Endsleigh League Division One fixture at

Sunderland was postponed last Saturday due to the fact that Tony Norman, Andy Melville and Phil Gray were all on international duty for Terry Butcher's side.

"Although the game was postponed, we didn't have a day off," said David Pleat. "We came in for training and then the training staff went to watch matches in our locality to look at certain players, who are playing at a lesser standard than ourselves."

BOBBERS TRAVEL CLUB

Coaches for the trip to Tranmere Rovers will cost adults £9.80 and children/OAP's £8.00 and will depart from Cranfield at 1.15 pm and from Luton at 2.15 pm, with the normal pick-up points en route.

Coaches for the trip to Middlesbrough will cost adults £13.00 and children £10.50. Coaches leave Cranfield at 8.00 am and Luton at 9.00 am.

Coaches for the trip to Birmingham City will cost £6.00 for adults and £5.00 for children/OAP's. Coaches leave Cranfield at 10.30 am and Luton at 11.30 am.

Ticket Office news update



BY CHERRY NEWBERY

Tranmere Rovers v Luton Town

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Middlesbrough v Luton Town

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Saturday, September 18, 1993 - Kick-off 3.00 pm
Seats priced at £11.00 (no concessions) are available from the Ticket Office in Kenilworth Road until 5.00 pm on Thursday, September 16. They will also be available on the day at Middlesbrough. Standing is pay on the day at the turnstile only, priced £8.00 (no concessions).

Birmingham City v Luton Town

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Directions courtesy of the Automobile Association.

Spotlight on today's visitors



BOLTON WANDERERS F.C. 1993-94

■ Bolton visit Kenilworth Road this afternoon determined to 'kick-start' their league season after securing only five points from their first four league matches. Wanderers scored their first victory of the season at home to Oxford United 11 days ago when John McGinlay scored the only goal.

■ Bruce Rioch is entering his second season as manager at Burnden Park, and has become a hit with the fans after gaining automatic promotion last term. The former Luton player also inspired his team to a tremendous cup-run last season, reaching the fifth round before being knocked out 3-1 at Derby. The cup-run was all the more impressive when you consider Wanderers started the competition in the first round and managed to knock-out the cup-holders Liverpool 2-0 at Anfield in a third-round replay.

■ Unfortunately for Rioch, he will be without top-scorer Andy Walker for much of this season. Walker sustained a long-term cruciate ligament injury in a match against Swansea City on Easter Monday last season. Despite this, he remained the club's top-scorer with 33 goals in all competitions.

■ Walker had joined Bolton in January 1992 from Celtic for a bargain price of £160,000, and Bruce Rioch has paid similar fees for this season's new signings. Owen Coyle, Jimmy Phillips, Steve

Fulton and Alan Thompson are the new recruits — their amassed cost: £950,000.

■ Bolton are one of the founder members of the Football League and have won the F.A. Cup on no fewer than four occasions, the most memorable being in 1923 when they beat West Ham in the first F.A. Cup final to be held at Wembley.

■ Last season's promotion triumph represents a return for the Wanderers to the 'First' Division after ten years in the wilderness. It was on the final day of the 1982-83 season when the Wanderers were defeated 4-1 by Charlton at The Valley. This defeat condemned them to the then Third Division, as the Addicks survived the drop on goal difference.

■ In the last ten years Bolton have been languishing in the Second (formerly Third) Division and even spent the 1987-88 season in what is now called Division Three. Two seasons ago, the Wanderers narrowly missed out on automatic promotion when Grimsby overtook them on the last day of the season because of goal-difference — both teams had scored 83 goals. This misfortune was further compounded when Wanderers lost the play-off final to Tranmere in extra-time. The experience hardened their resolve last season when they deservedly finished in second place.



Back row (left to right): Jason Lydiate, Andy Mason, Phil Brown, Alan Stubbs, Jimmy Phillips, Gary Parkinson.
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Front row (left to right): Scott Green, John McGinlay, Julian Darby, Bruce Rioch, Colin Todd, Steve Fulton, Tony Kelly, Nicky Spooner.

VISITORS ON PARADE

KEITH BRANAGAN (goalkeeper) — The only player to appear in all 60 first-class matches for Bolton last season, Keith joined Bolton in 1992 from Millwall. The Fulham-born keeper began his career with Cambridge United, making his league debut in January 1984 and was transferred to Millwall for £100,000.

PHIL BROWN (defender) — Phil started his career with Hartlepool, making 217 appearances for them before joining Halifax Town in July 1985. He moved to Wanderers for £17,000 in June 1988 and has now amassed over 500 Football League appearances.

JIMMY PHILLIPS (defender) — A player who is in his second spell at the club, Jimmy progressed through the youth ranks at Blundell Park and turned professional in August 1983. He made 108 appearances before joining Glasgow Rangers for £100,000 in 1986. He returned to England with Oxford United and later Middlesbrough, before joining Bolton during the close season for £300,000.

DAVID BURKE (defender) — Another playing in his second spell at the club, David played for Bolton's First Division side in the seventies before joining Huddersfield Town in June 1981. He made 189 league appearances for the Yorkshire side before joining Crystal Palace for £80,000 in October 1987. He returned to Bolton in July 1990 for £60,000.

ALAN STUBBS (defender) — Alan turned professional with the Wanderers in July 1990 and made his 100th league appearance for the club in last season's promotion-clinching game against Preston North End.

TONY KELLY (midfield) — Tony started his league career at Wigan and has also taken in Stoke, West Brom, Chester, Colchester and Shrewsbury, clocking up over 300 appearances. He joined Wanderers in August 1991 and had made 67 appearances to the end of last term.

DAVID LEE (midfield) — David joined Bolton from Southampton for £300,000 in December 1992. He

began his career at Bury, making 208 league appearances before moving to the south coast in August 1991.

JASON McATEER (midfield) — A non-league signing from Marine, Jason became a regular in Bolton's reserve side before making his debut in November 1992. He became a regular in the side after Christmas and went on to make 21 league appearances last term.

ALAN THOMPSON (midfield) — Alan joined the club during the close season from Newcastle United. A left-sided player, he made his debut for his home-town club as a 17-year-old against Swindon Town in November 1991.

MARK PATTERSON (midfield) — A £65,000 buy from neighbours Bury in January 1991, Mark started his career with Blackburn Rovers. He made 101 league appearances before joining Preston North End and moved to Bury two years later for £80,000.

JOHN MCGINLAY (forward) — John joined the Wanderers in a £100,000 deal from Millwall in September 1992. He began his career with Shrewsbury, having joined them from Elgin City in February 1989. He joined Bury in July 1990 before moving to The Den a year later.

ANDY WALKER (forward) — Andy scored 26 league goals in 32 appearances last term to become the club's leading goalscorer. He joined Bolton from Celtic for £160,000 in February 1992 after a successful loan period. He began his career with Motherwell and is a full Scottish international.

OWEN COYLE (forward) — Owen joined the Wanderers from Airdrie during the close season. He began his career with Dumbarton before joining Clydebank. He moved to Airdrie for £175,000 in 1990 and, whilst there, set a Scottish record by netting three consecutive hat-tricks. Owen has won Eire under-21 and B honours.

MEET THE BOSS

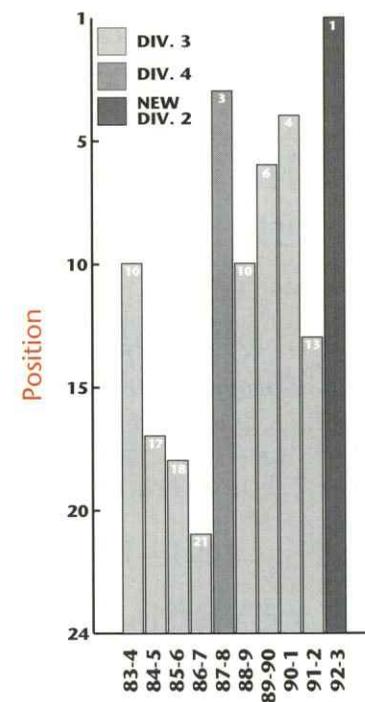


Bruce Rioch started his footballing career with the Hatters in 1963 and went on to make 149 league appearances, scoring 47 goals. A goalscoring inside-left, he became an integral part of Allan Brown's Fourth Division championship-winning team of 1968.

He played for one season in the Third Division before joining Aston Villa for £100,000. Villa's manager at the time was Tommy Docherty, and Rioch followed Docherty into the Scottish national side. In fact, in a career which took him to Derby, Everton, Birmingham, Sheffield United and Torquay, he won 24 caps and had the honour of captaining his country.

His first managerial role was at Torquay United, and he has since taken the reins at Millwall and Middlesbrough, before his appointment at Blundell Park in July 1992.

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JUNIOR HATTERS

First may I extend a warm welcome to Bolton Wanderers' players and supporters. It's been a long time since we last met.

For those of you who might wish to become sports commentators, you will have the chance to hear yourself on Chiltern Radio if you participate in our Junior Hatters phone-in. Chiltern Radio has extended an invitation on the 14th September at 7.40pm to all Junior Hatters to ring and ask any question about Luton Town, so get those phones ringing.

The Saturday Club continues to grow with our last home fixture against Nottingham Forest attracting more than 60 children. For further information, contact the Ticket Office on 416976.

Finally, I would like to thank Ian Riddell for being our mascot against Southend United on Tuesday. Many thanks Ian!

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MATCH DAY MASCOT



Name: Paul Goodey
 Date of birth: 20.9.80.
 School attended:
 Ashcroft High
 Local football team:
 Ramridge Rangers
 Favourite Luton player:
 Kerry Dixon
 Hobbies: Most sports

Who accompanies you to Luton Town matches: Parents

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Travel arrangements for the away games at Middlesbrough and Birmingham are as follows:

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 Arrive home approximately: 10.00 pm
 25.9.93 Birmingham City - depart Kenilworth Road forecourt: 12 noon
 Arrive home approximately: 7.00 pm
 The price for all matches this season has been fixed at £5 for Junior Hatters and £8 for accompanying adults (price includes tickets to match). Booking and payment to be made via the Ticket Office up to four days prior to the match.

JUNIOR HATTERS' BIRTHDAYS THIS MONTH

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Turner's side make flying start to the season

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Neville Ovenden Football Combination 1993/94 League Table

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

(up to & including 28.8.93)

Neville Ovenden Football Combination Fixtures Season 1993/94

| | | | | |
|-------------|---------------------|-----|------------|------------------------|
| Wed 18 Aug | West Ham United | 4-1 | Fri 17 Dec | Norwich City |
| Wed 25 Aug | Queens Park Rangers | 4-2 | Wed 22 Dec | Tottenham Hotspur |
| Wed 1 Sept | Watford | 5-1 | Wed 5 Dec | Wimbledon |
| Wed 8 Sept | Wimbledon | | Wed 12 Dec | Ipswich Town |
| Wed 15 Sept | Norwich City | | Wed 19 Jan | Bristol Rovers |
| Wed 22 Sept | Tottenham Hotspur | | Mon 24 Jan | Chelsea |
| Wed 29 Sept | Oxford United | | Wed 2 Feb | Ipswich Town |
| Wed 6 Oct | Portsmouth | | Wed 9 Feb | Brighton & Hove Albion |
| Wed 13 Oct | Swindon Town | | Wed 16 Feb | Chelsea |
| Wed 20 Oct | Watford | | Mon 21 Feb | Millwall |
| Wed 27 Oct | Southampton | | Wed 2 Mar | Brighton & Hove Albion |
| Tue 2 Nov | Queens Park Rangers | | Tue 8 Mar | West Ham United |
| Wed 10 Nov | Southampton | | Wed 16 Mar | Bristol Rovers |
| Wed 17 Nov | Arsenal | | Wed 23 Mar | Millwall |
| Wed 24 Nov | Portsmouth | | Mon 28 Mar | Charlton Athletic |
| Mon 29 Nov | Oxford United | | Tue 5 Apr | Crystal Palace |
| Fri 3 Dec | Crystal Palace | | Tue 12 Apr | Bristol City |
| Wed 8 Dec | Swindon Town | | Mon 2 May | Bristol City |
| Tue 14 Dec | Arsenal | | Wed 4 May | Charlton Athletic |

Match Reports

Luton Town 4 Queens Park Rangers 2
Neville Ovenden Football Combination,
Wednesday, August 25, 1993.

Following their opening game victory against West Ham, Wayne Turner's men followed up their success with a fine 4-2 defeat of Rangers at Kenilworth Road. Canadian trialist Geoff Auger netted twice on his debut and Turner was pleased with the side's performance. "We totally dominated this game and should have won by a bigger margin," he stated. "Our build-up play was controlled and positive, and Geoff Auger had an impressive game. David Bardsley netted an own-goal for Rangers and he was one of a few 'name' players in their side."

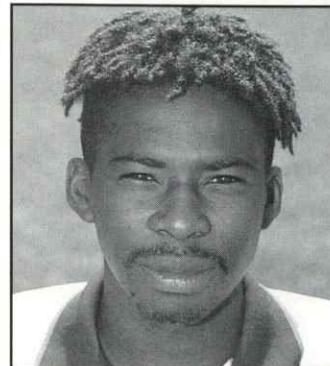
Team: Petterson, Linton, Rioch, Rees, Philp, Greene, Telfer, Campbell, Hartson 1, Auger 2, Oakes. Subs: Woolgar, Woodsford.

Reading 2 Luton Town 1
South East Counties League Division Two,
Saturday, August 28, 1993.

Despite losing this match, coach Terry Westley was happy with the way the young Hatters performed and is optimistic for the rest of the season. He said: "We totally dominated the match and created countless opportunities. We gave away two goals on the break before Matthew Woolgar netted our goal. If we continue to create the chances, I am quite sure the side will do well this season."

Team: Davis, Jukes, Palmer, Woolgar 1, McLaren, Simpson, Gibb, Issott, Campbell, Butler, Woodsford. Subs: Chenery, Goodridge.

RIVALS DEFEATED



Wayne Turner's men started September in style with a 5-1 Combination League thrashing of Watford on September 1. A goal from Martin Williams (above), an own goal, two from trialist Geoff Auger and an Ian Benjamin strike, left Wayne Turner delighted: "This was a very good result in a game we had effectively killed-off by half-time. During the first half-hour we played some good football and came back just as strong during the final 30 minutes of the match. We have made a great start. Let's hope it continues."

Reserves - Appearances and Goalscorers 1993-94

| | Combination LEAGUE | | County CUP | |
|-----------|--------------------|-------|------------|-------|
| | App | Goals | App | Goals |
| Auger | 2 | 4 | - | - |
| Benjamin | 1(1) | 2 | - | - |
| Campbell | 2 | - | - | - |
| Dixon | 1 | 1 | - | - |
| Gentle | 1 | 1 | - | - |
| Gibb | -(1) | - | - | - |
| Greene | 3 | - | - | - |
| Hartson | 2 | 1 | - | - |
| Harvey | 1 | - | - | - |
| Houghton | 1 | - | - | - |
| Hughes | 1 | 1 | - | - |
| Jukes | -(1) | - | - | - |
| Linton | 3 | - | - | - |
| Oakes | 2 | - | - | - |
| Petterson | 3 | - | - | - |
| Philp | 3 | - | - | - |
| Rees | 1 | - | - | - |
| Rioch | 3 | - | - | - |
| Telfer | 1 | - | - | - |
| Williams | 1 | 1 | - | - |
| Woodsford | -(2) | - | - | - |
| Woolgar | 1 | - | - | - |

Youth Team Appearances and Goalscorers 1993-94

| | S.E.C.L. | | S.J.F.C. | | S.E.C.L.C. | | F.A.Y.C. | | E.J.C. | |
|-----------|----------|----|----------|----|------------|----|----------|----|--------|----|
| | App | Gl | App | Gl | App | Gl | App | Gl | App | Gl |
| Butler | 3 | 1 | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - |
| Campbell | 3 | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - |
| Chenery | 1(2) | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - |
| Davis | 3 | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - |
| Gibb | 3 | 1 | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - |
| Goodridge | -(2) | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - |
| Issott | 2(1) | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - |
| Jukes | 3 | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - |
| McLaren | 3 | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - |
| Palmer | 3 | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - |
| Power | 1 | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - |
| Simpson | 2 | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - |
| Woodsford | 3 | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - |
| Woolgar | 3 | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - |

South East Counties League Division Two 1993/94

| | P | W | D | L | F | A | Pts |
|------------------------|---|---|---|---|---|---|-----|
| Oxford United | 3 | 2 | 1 | 0 | 7 | 2 | 5 |
| Brentford | 3 | 1 | 2 | 0 | 5 | 2 | 4 |
| Brighton & Hove Albion | 3 | 2 | 0 | 1 | 7 | 5 | 4 |
| AFC Bournemouth | 3 | 2 | 0 | 1 | 4 | 4 | 4 |
| Reading | 3 | 2 | 0 | 1 | 6 | 8 | 4 |
| Southampton | 3 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 4 | 3 | 3 |
| Bristol City | 3 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 4 | 5 | 3 |
| Wimbledon | 2 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 6 | 3 | 2 |
| Swindon Town | 3 | 0 | 2 | 1 | 4 | 5 | 2 |
| LUTON TOWN | 3 | 0 | 2 | 1 | 3 | 4 | 2 |
| Tottenham Hotspur | 3 | 1 | 0 | 2 | 6 | 8 | 2 |
| Colchester United | 3 | 0 | 2 | 1 | 3 | 5 | 2 |
| Bristol Rovers | 3 | 1 | 0 | 2 | 3 | 6 | 2 |
| Crystal Palace | 2 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 2 | 4 | 1 |

(upto and including 28.8.93)

South East Counties League Division Two Fixtures Season 1993/94

| | | | | |
|-------------|----------------------------|-----|------------|------------------------|
| Sat 14 Aug | Swindon Town | 1-1 | Sat 20 Nov | Bristol Rovers |
| Sat 21 Aug | Crystal Palace | 1-1 | Sat 4 Dec | Bristol Rovers |
| Sat 28 Aug | Reading | 1-2 | Sat 11 Dec | Swindon Town |
| Sat 4 Sept | Wimbledon | 1-0 | Sat 18 Dec | Crystal Palace |
| Sat 11 Sept | Tottenham Hotspur | | Sat 1 Jan | Reading |
| Wed 15 Sept | West Ham United (SJFC) | | Sat 8 Jan | Wimbledon |
| Sat 18 Sept | Charlton Athletic (SECLC1) | | Sat 15 Jan | Tottenham Hotspur |
| Mon 20 Sept | Cambridge City (EJC) | | Sat 22 Jan | Brighton & Hove Albion |
| Sat 25 Sept | Brighton & Hove Albion | | Sat 29 Jan | Oxford United |
| Sat 2 Oct | Oxford United | | Sat 5 Feb | Bristol City |
| Sat 9 Oct | Bristol City | | Sat 12 Feb | Brentford |
| Sat 16 Oct | Brentford | | Sat 19 Feb | Bournemouth |
| Sat 30 Oct | Bournemouth | | Sat 26 Feb | Southampton |
| Sat 6 Nov | Southampton | | Sat 5 Mar | Colchester United |
| Sat 13 Nov | Colchester United | | | |

Juergen looks towards an international future

PLAYER INTERVIEW



After spending two seasons in the Town's reserves, American goalkeeper Juergen Sommer has finally made the breakthrough to the Hatters' first-team. After a bruising debut-performance, he has settled into the side with ease and is looking forward to establishing himself as the season progresses.

Sommer made his debut in the Town's opening game of the season against Watford, but could not partake in celebrating his team's 2-1 victory because of a cut above his left eye which required eight stitches. This incident forced the Town to make Football League history by using their substitute goalkeeper Andy Petterson.

"I don't know what happened really," he said. "I tried to collect a corner and caught somebody's elbow on the bone above my eye. I don't even know who it was, it all happened so quickly."

"It's fine now though. I kept the stitches in for the game against Portsmouth and the only remains for the Forest game were a scar. Luckily it has not affected my goalkeeping."

Juergen is very keen to steer clear of injury so that he can fulfil his ambitions, both domestically and internationally: "I want to establish myself in the first-team at Luton," he stated. "I am considered one of the top five American goalkeepers and every game I play can only improve my cause."

"British football is one of the strongest in the world and the experience from playing here is invaluable. I have played for the U.S. national team at youth, university levels and the 'B' and 'A' teams, although I have only managed three appearances in the 'A' team."

Sommer is eager for American soccer to improve relative to the rest of the world: "At youth level we could compete with anyone in the world," he asserted. "But the senior team still has a little way to go. We did well to beat

England, and our performances in that tournament showed how far we have come.

"Soccer is the biggest youth sport in the country, bigger than American football and basketball combined. With American players coming abroad, the enthusiasm for the sport is growing deeper and deeper. The interest and support is already in place for the World Cup Finals."

Sommer has a good idea of football in his homeland because each summer he attends a youth coaching camp at Indiana University, which takes in 850 children, boys and girls.

"You get a really good idea of the next generation at the camps," he remarked. "You can see where they come from. America needs a good competitive league. University football is probably the most competitive in America at the moment and a strong professional league could make all the difference."

"Players like John Harkes and Kasey Keller have proved how well Americans can do in English football. Personally, I want to play for the first-team as much as possible. At the moment I am taking one game at a time, I know it will be a constant battle with Andy."

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Juergen Sommer". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.



A welcome return to The Trotters



BACK TRACKING BY ROGER WASH

In welcoming Bolton Wanderers back to Kenilworth Road for the first time since our promotion season of 1981/82, we are hoping to break some kind of record as we have never scored more than twice against them in previous league meetings here.

Our first League clash took place at Dunstable Road on November 11, 1899, just as we were about to resign from the Football

League and re-join our friends in the Southern League. Bolton were spending their first season in Division Two following relegation, but were destined to make a quick return to the top-flight.

In a heavy downpour, and with the wind behind them, the Town forced the issue in the first half but were unable to beat Sutcliffe in the Bolton goal. With the roles reversed in the second-half, goals from Jack and Barlow sent the visitors home happy, with another two points going the way of the Trotters in the return game.

Our paths did not cross again in the league until our eventual elevation into Division One in 1955 and in the following five seasons, the Town did not concede a goal to Bolton at Kenilworth Road. However, in the same period, they only scored twice themselves, both from the boot of Gordon Turner.

Goals flowed a little more freely at Burnden Park, with the Town amassing eight which included a 2-1 win in 1957/58. Enjoying his confrontations with England International goalkeeper Eddie Hopkinson, Turner scored half the Town's total.

Following our relegation in 1960 and our further demotions, it was ten years before we met again, this time in Division Two. The 1970/71 season opened with a trip to Burnden Park, and the Luton side, on the crest of wave after promotion from Division Three, were

Jim Ryan netted against Wanderers in 1973.

brought back to earth with a 4-2 thrashing.

As it happened, Bolton were to be relegated at the end of that season, and it was not until 1973/74 that we were to meet again, just as the Town were about to embark upon a short stay in Division One. The home game in October 1973 was particularly memorable, not for the general Luton display, but for the fortune of the win which goes to prove that you need a bit of luck to achieve promotion.

Trailing to a first half Neil Whatmore goal, the Town were heading for their first home defeat of the season when, with the minutes ticking away, a dubious penalty was awarded and suitably dispatched by Jim Ryan. Then in the final seconds, the Trotters Don McAllister, under no pressure, put through his own net.

In the period 1975-1978, with both sides battling it out in Division Two once more, Bolton held the upper hand as they narrowly missed out on a promotion that was eventually achieved in 1978, and which was only to last two seasons.

Our final clashes took place in our Championship winning season of 1981/82, when goals from Brian Stein and Mark Aizlewood secured an early 2-1 win at Burnden Park with Stein and David Moss on target in the return 2-0 victory.

5 IT HAPPENED FIVE YEARS AGO
10.9.88 - A 2-1 defeat at Southampton, with a goal from Steve Foster the only bright spot.

10 IT HAPPENED TEN YEARS AGO
10.9.83 - Watched by a crowd of 41,013 the Town went down 2-0 in their normal defeat at Old Trafford against Manchester United.

15 IT HAPPENED 15 YEARS AGO
9.9.78 - A lacklustre display at Eastville ended in a 2-0 defeat against Bristol Rovers in front of a crowd of 6,508.

20 IT HAPPENED 20 YEARS AGO
11.9.73 - After going in at half time 1-0 ahead, the Town had to settle for a point in a 1-1 draw at Notts County. The Luton scorer was Tom Finney making it four goals in four games since making his debut.

PREVIOUS ENCOUNTERS

| | P | W | D | L | F | A |
|-------|----|---|---|----|----|----|
| Home | 13 | 6 | 5 | 2 | 13 | 9 |
| Away | 13 | 3 | 2 | 8 | 17 | 29 |
| Total | 26 | 9 | 7 | 10 | 30 | 38 |

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Darren finds faith on the road to recovery



PLAYER INTERVIEW WITH DARREN SALTON

It is ten months since Darren Salton, the Town's promising Scotland under-21 defender, was involved in a car crash. Despite serious head and leg injuries he is battling back and is now on the road to full recovery.

Paul Telfer, who was also involved in the accident with Salton, escaped with minor injuries and, fortunately, has been able to continue to impress for the Town. For Darren though, it has been a long recovery, and one which has taken in a change of attitude and the hand of God.

"I think my attitude to football has changed, but I take much less for granted now," he mused.

"Football used to be my life, but nothing is quite so important anymore. Things which used to wind me up seem trivial now. My health is everything — I am just pleased to be alive.

"I have always believed there was another spirit, someone up there, but before the accident I was not really very religious. Now I pray every night — everything since the accident has been a bonus to me."

One of the bonuses Darren has experienced came last season, when he completed a lap of honour around the Kenilworth Road pitch before the home game against Cambridge. Accompanied by his fiancée Sarah Barnes, and without the aid of crutches, Darren marched triumphantly around the ground to a standing ovation.

The injuries he sustained included five bruises on the brain, stitches in his face and a shattered right leg. Despite all this, Darren is making great strides towards recovery. He visits Hatters' physio Andy McDade every week day, and is pleased with his progress.

"My recovery is now going well," he stated. "Last week I started jogging for the first time, which is very pleasing. Sometimes I ache a little, but I suppose that

is to be expected. I am receiving treatment daily from Andy, so I am in the best possible hands."

This remarkable recovery may not have been possible without the loyalty and compassion of his family and the football club. The Town are supporting Darren in his attempt to keep fit and he is well aware of how supportive everyone has been.

"The club have been brilliant," he said. "In lots

of ways I have been very lucky. Being at Luton, especially, has been fortunate for me. As it is a smaller club everyone rallied round for me, whereas at some of the bigger clubs I may have been too easily forgotten.

"I have been to all our games so far this season and being around the dressing room has made me feel like one of the squad again."

This time last season, Darren was the outstanding youngster to break into the first team. This year it is John Hartson. Salton believes that the 18-year-old striker can go on to become a Luton Town star of the future and shoot the Hatters up the table.

"He has made a great start to his Luton career," commented Darren. "He has a fine temperament and has proved a big hit with the fans. If he manages a run in the side, he can achieve great things."

Finally, the question most people have been asking is: "When will we see Darren return on the pitch?" He has set himself a realistic target, and the news will please all Hatters fans.

"I am currently jogging, using weights and generally staying fit. Hopefully, I can start full training by March next year. I am determined to make it."



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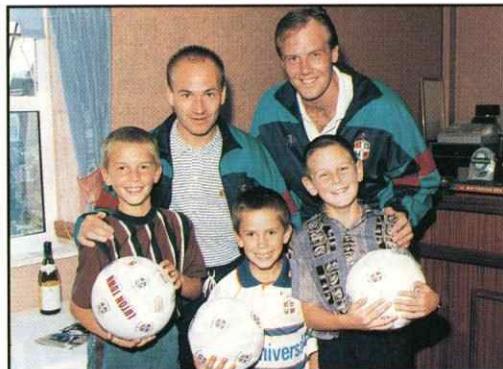


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To a club like Luton, it is vitally important that we have a thriving commercial office and certainly over the past two/three weeks, our phones have been busy, which is good news for everyone at Kenilworth Road.

As you will have seen from our match day magazine this season, the Community Programme and the Junior Hatters are other ways where the club is re-establishing itself in the community. We are pleased to say that these groups have been well-received wherever they have travelled to this season.



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| Aug 14 | 2-1 | 9,149 | - | Sommer | Williams | Johnson | James | Peake | Dreyer | (Rees) | Oakes | Preece | Hughes | Benjamin | Houghton | Campbell | [Petterson]. |
| Aug 17 | 0-1 | 4,065 | - | Sommer | James | Johnson | Oakes | Peake | Teller | (Rees) | Preece | Teller | (Williams) | Dixon | Houghton | Houghton | Petterson. |
| Aug 21 | 0-1 | 12,248 | 16 | Sommer | James | Johnson | Peake | Dreyer | Teller | Hughes | Preece | (Oakes) | (Williams) | Dixon | Houghton | [Benjamin] | Petterson. |
| Aug 24 | 0-1 | 3,861 | - | Sommer | (Williams) | Johnson | James | Peake | Dreyer | Benjamin | Preece | Hughes | (Campbell) | Houghton | [Oakes] | [Harrison] | Petterson. |
| Aug 28 | 1-2 | 9,788 | - | Sommer | James | Johnson | James | Dreyer | (Teller) | Preece | Preece | Hughes | HARTISON | Dixon | (Williams) | (Rees) | Petterson. |
| Aug 31 | 1-2 | 2,854 | - | Sommer | James | Johnson | Peake | Dreyer | Teller | Hughes | PREECE | (Houghton) | (Dixon) | Harrison | (Oakes) | (Williams) | Petterson. |
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| Walford | 2-1 | 9,149 | - | Sommer | Williams | Johnson | James | Peake | Dreyer | (Rees) | Oakes | Preece | Hughes | Benjamin | Houghton | Campbell | [Houghton] |
| Cambridge United (CCCU/1) | 0-1 | 4,065 | - | Sommer | James | Johnson | Oakes | Peake | Teller | (Rees) | Preece | Teller | (Williams) | Dixon | Houghton | Houghton | Petterson. |
| Portsmouth | 0-1 | 12,248 | 16 | Sommer | James | Johnson | Peake | Dreyer | Teller | Hughes | Preece | (Oakes) | (Williams) | Dixon | Houghton | [Benjamin] | Petterson. |
| Cambridge United (CCCU/2) | 0-1 | 3,861 | - | Sommer | (Williams) | Johnson | James | Peake | Dreyer | Benjamin | Preece | Hughes | (Campbell) | Houghton | [Oakes] | [Harrison] | Petterson. |
| Nottingham Forest | 1-2 | 9,788 | - | Sommer | James | Johnson | James | Dreyer | (Teller) | Preece | Preece | Hughes | HARTISON | Dixon | (Williams) | (Rees) | Petterson. |
| Walford (AIC) | 1-2 | 2,854 | - | Sommer | James | Johnson | Peake | Dreyer | Teller | Hughes | PREECE | (Houghton) | (Dixon) | Harrison | (Oakes) | (Williams) | Petterson. |

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|----------------------|---|---|---|---|----|----|-----|--------|------------------------------|--------------------|
| Middlesbrough | 2 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 6 | 2 | 6 | 15,168 | Wilkinson 2, Moore 2 | |
| Charlton Athletic | 6 | 4 | 1 | 1 | 11 | 8 | 13 | 7,316 | Nelson 3, Walsh 2 | |
| Middlesbrough | 4 | 4 | 0 | 0 | 13 | 5 | 12 | 15,168 | Hendrie 5, Moore 4 | |
| Crystal Palace | 5 | 3 | 1 | 1 | 11 | 5 | 10 | 14,754 | Armstrong 3, Gordon 2 | |
| Southern United | 5 | 2 | 2 | 1 | 11 | 6 | 8 | 6,842 | Sussex 2, Angell 2, Anisah 2 | |
| West Bromwich Albion | 5 | 2 | 2 | 1 | 9 | 7 | 8 | 21,421 | Donovan 3, 4 on 1 goal | |
| Nottingham Forest | 5 | 2 | 2 | 1 | 9 | 8 | 8 | 24,594 | Woan 3, Black 2 | |
| Tranmere Rovers | 5 | 2 | 2 | 1 | 5 | 4 | 8 | 7,542 | 5 on 1 goal | |
| Birmingham City | 5 | 2 | 1 | 2 | 10 | 9 | 7 | 14,850 | Saville 3, Smith 2 | |
| Wolverhampton W | 5 | 2 | 1 | 2 | 11 | 9 | 7 | 21,057 | Bull 4, Thomas 3 | |
| Derby County | 5 | 2 | 1 | 2 | 7 | 7 | 7 | 15,645 | Pembriidge 2, Cabbiaadini 2 | |
| Leicester City | 5 | 2 | 1 | 2 | 6 | 2 | 6 | 12,945 | Walsh 2, 4 on 1 goal | |
| Grimsby Town | 5 | 1 | 3 | 1 | 6 | 7 | 6 | 6,215 | Mendonca 4, 2 on 1 goal | |
| Bristol City | 4 | 2 | 0 | 2 | 5 | 5 | 6 | 9,741 | 5 on 1 goal | |
| Millwall | 5 | 2 | 0 | 3 | 5 | 11 | 6 | 9,142 | Kerr 2, 3 on 1 goal | |
| Portsmouth | 6 | 1 | 2 | 4 | 9 | 14 | 5 | 13,500 | Chapman 2, 6 on 1 goal | |
| Stoke City | 4 | 1 | 2 | 4 | 6 | 6 | 5 | 18,357 | Stein 3, Regis 1 | |
| Bolton Wanderers | 4 | 1 | 2 | 1 | 2 | 4 | 5 | 11,328 | Coyle 1, McGinlay 1 | |
| Peterborough United | 5 | 1 | 1 | 3 | 7 | 9 | 4 | 6,242 | Iorfa 2, Cooper 2 | |
| Barnsley | 6 | 1 | 1 | 4 | 7 | 14 | 4 | 10,259 | Anderson 3, 4 on 1 goal | |
| Watford | 4 | 1 | 1 | 2 | 6 | 8 | 4 | 6,431 | Porter 2, 4 on 1 goal | |
| Notts County | 4 | 1 | 1 | 2 | 5 | 7 | 4 | 9,279 | Draper 2, Lund 2 | |
| Oxford United | 4 | 1 | 0 | 3 | 6 | 9 | 3 | 6,855 | Robinson 2, 4 on 1 goal | |
| Sunderland | 3 | 1 | 0 | 2 | 4 | 6 | 3 | 17,647 | 4 on 1 goal | |
| LUTON TOWN | 3 | 1 | 0 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 3 | 9,469 | Telfer 1, Dixon 1, Hartson 1 | |

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- Barnsley v Nottingham Forest
- Charlton Athletic v Millwall
- Crystal Palace v Sunderland
- Derby County v Peterborough United
- Grimsby Town v Watford
- Leicester City v Birmingham City
- Notts County v WBA
- Oxford United v Bristol City
- Southern United v Middlesbrough
- Stoke City v Tranmere Rovers
- Wolves v Portsmouth

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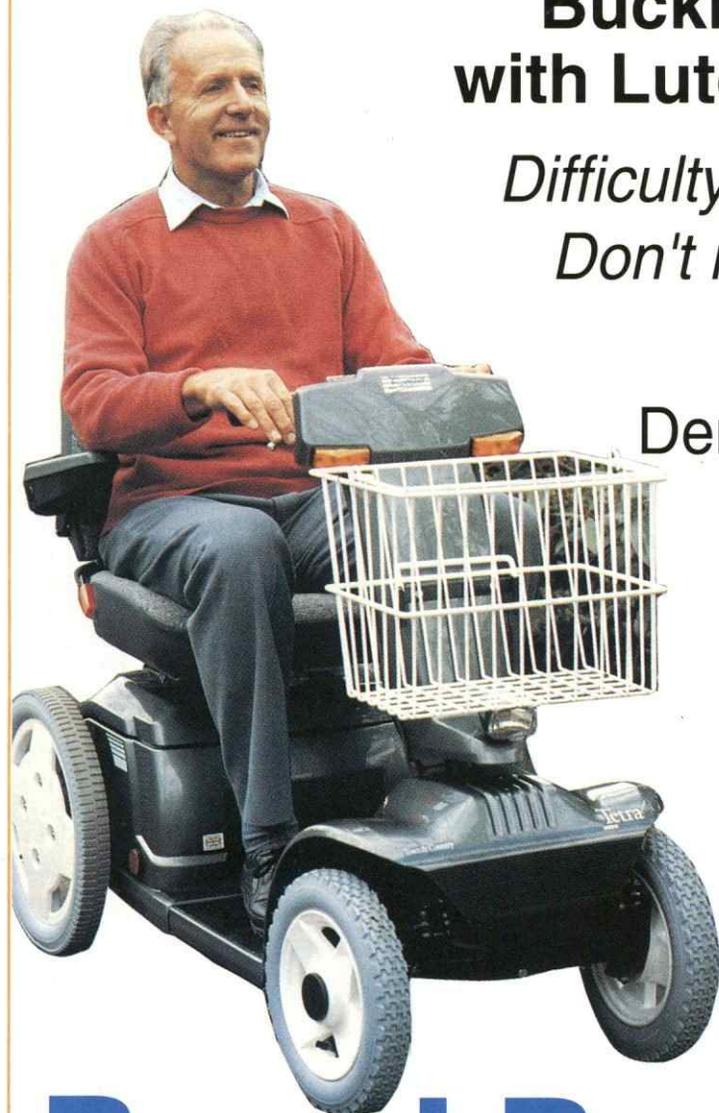
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