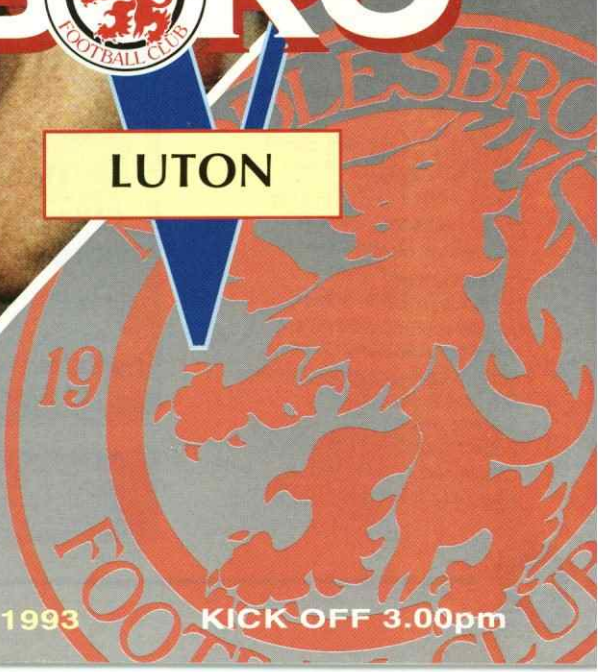


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TEAM TALK



COVER STORY

CRAIG HIGNETT, who crowned a man of the match performance against Stoke City with a cracking goal from a free kick.

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Tuesday night's game against Stoke City was a massive disappointment for everyone connected with the club.

During the opening 15 minutes, we played some bright and attractive football, created three or four half-chances, and I felt at that time that, had we scored, the game could have been over at half-time.

However, only 15 minutes later, with us 1-0 down, my only concern was to get to half-time without conceding any more goals.

In the space of 15 minutes, we had deteriorated from a side that looked as if they would win the game comfortably to one desperately hanging on until the interval.

Things did not improve much in the second half, although if we had kept our shape and discipline a little better, Craig

Hignett's last minute goal may have been enough to steal us a point, whereas by that time Stoke were in a merited 2-0 lead.

We got exactly what we deserved - nothing!

SUDDEN COLLAPSE

During last season in the Premier League we were involved in many games where we were doing alright for spells and then there would be a period of maybe 15 to 20 minutes when we would collapse completely.

Three goals in 15 minutes at Liverpool last November and being 1-0 up at Oldham after 20 minutes and 3-1 down after 30 minutes, are amongst a host of examples that spring to mind.

Too often last year this phenomenon was put down to the quality of the opposition. I believed then, but could not be

That same old failing

sure, that it was due to our own inability to stick to the game plan, to keep concentration and to battle our way through the bad spells. Too often this was manifested by the number of times we conceded a second goal within minutes of conceding the first.

At the time, I thought it was due to our inexperience at that level, the speed of the game, especially with the introduction of the backpass rule. But when I look at Tuesday night's performance against Stoke, I wonder if it is not more to do with our own failings.

For certain, without Stephen Pears in inspired form when faced with at least half a dozen one-on-one encounters with the opposing forwards, we would have suffered a rout.

Indeed, to be brutally honest, a performance like that in the Premier League would have seen us dead and buried at half time. Without being unkind, it was only Stoke's inability to

finish accurately that made the scoreline so close.

BEST AND WORST

The message is that, on our day as a team, if we can control the game and keep our concentration, we can be easily the best team in this league.

But, if we show the same failings as Tuesday night, lack of discipline, lack of concentration and at times, eleven players doing their own thing, we will be prone to defeat by any team in this league or any other league. We hope to start putting things right today against Luton Town and I extend a warm welcome to their manager David Pleat, their supporters, players and officials.

On the injury front, Tommy Wright has a recurrence of his knee problem and has been told to rest for at least 10 days. Andy Peake is in light training and making progress.

Lennie Lawrence

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Luton manager David Pleat believes that things just have to get better from now on.

After crashing to their fourth successive League defeat at Tranmere (1-4) on Tuesday evening, his team remained at the bottom of the First Division and he brings them to Ayresome Park without a win in any of their last eight League and Cup games.

The Hatters who, because of economic demands have been forced to sell so many of their best players over the past couple of years, are now suffering from a crisis of confidence, but Mr Pleat is hoping the vast experience of the versatile Alan Harper, his recent signing from Everton, will help restore morale as Luton endeavour to end a run of 12 away games without a win this afternoon.

CITY CELEBRATION

Stoke City had a double celebration after Tuesday's win at Ayresome Park.

When news of Birmingham's 2-2 draw with Wolves filtered through, it was known that Stoke had finished top of their qualifying group in the Anglo-Italian Cup.

The Potters now join the Boro' in the international phase, together with Bolton, Charlton and Portsmouth. Three other groups have still to be resolved.

Tranmere's Ian Muir seems determined to outshine his better - known partner, Republic of Ireland international John

FIRST DIVISION ATTENDANCES & SCORERS

	Aggregate	Average	Leading League scorers
Tranmere	20,954	6,985	Muir 3.
Charlton	30,363	7,591	Nelson 3, Minto 2, Walsh 2.
Crystal Palace	55,579	13,895	Armstrong 6, Gordon 2.
Middlesbrough	28,357	14,179	Hendrie 5, Moore 4, Wilkinson 2.
Southend	20,179	6,726	Angell 4, Ansah 2, Otto 2, Sussex 2.
Leicester	36,256	12,085	Walsh 4, Speedie 2.
Derby	48,449	16,150	Gabbiadini 3, Pembroke 2.
Wolves	80,702	20,176	Bull 4, Kelly 3, Thomas 3.
Birmingham	45,555	15,185	Peschisolidi 4, Saville 3.
W.B.A.	57,324	19,108	Danovan 3, Taylor 2.
Nottm. For.	49,909	24,954	Woon 3, Black 2.
Stoke City	54,010	18,003	Stein 4.
Watford	20,732	6,911	Porter 3.
Bolton	19,648	9,824	McGinlay 3.
Grimsby	23,428	5,857	Mendonca 4, Groves 2.
Barnsley	44,058	11,015	Anderson 3.
Notts. Co.	28,428	9,476	Draper 3, Lund 2.
Millwall	18,283	9,142	Kerr 2.
Oxford	19,173	6,391	Magilton 3, Allen 2, Robinson 2.
Portsmouth	40,501	13,500	Chapman 2, Durnin 2.
Bristol City	27,363	9,121	Baird 3, Scott 2.
Peterborough	18,727	6,242	Cooper 2, Iorfa 2.
Sunderland	17,647	17,647	Armstrong 1, Cunningham 1.
Luton	26,136	8,712	Goodman 1, Gray (Michael) 1.
			Benjamin 1, Dixon 1, Hartson 1, Telfer 1.
			(Up to and including Tuesday September 14)

Aldridge. He hit the opener in Tuesday's 4-1 win over Luton which took Rovers to the top of the table.

Muir has now scored in each of his last three League games, Aldridge weighed in with a last minute effort - his second of the season - to emphasise the Merseyside club's superiority as they swept to the top of the table.

Tranmere's joy at reaching that pinnacle was muted to some extent when the attendance figure of 5,871 was handed to chairman Peter

TODAY'S FIXTURES

Birmingham v Grimsby
Bolton v Leicester
Bristol City v Charlton
Millwall v Derby
Peterborough v Oxford Utd
Portsmouth v Southend
Sunderland v Wolverhampton
Tranmere v Barnsley
Watford v Notts County
West Brom v Crystal Palace

Johnson. Each home game so far has attracted a smaller crowd and Tranmere's current average of 6,985 is among the lowest in the division and is little more than half of their break-even point.

Mr. Johnson, who has been considering selling his interest in Tranmere to invest in Everton, was not impressed. "I thought Merseyside was

a hot bed of soccer, but now there does not appear to be room for a third club in the top flight," was his ominous message to Tranmere's missing fans.

SPEEDIE OFF MARK

David Speedie scored his first goals for Leicester, following his summer transfer from Southampton, as the Foxes ran up their first away win of the season at Bristol City.

Speedie opened and closed the scoring in a 3-1 success, but defender Steve Walsh, who claimed the other goal, remains top scorer with four goals. Last season when he played many games as a striker, Walsh finished top scorer with 16.

Crystal Palace's Chris Armstrong drew level with John Hendrie and Stoke's Mark Stein at the top of the First Division's scoring list when converting a penalty in their 3-0 Anglo-Italian victory over Millwall. It was his seventh goal of the season.

by TONY PULLEIN

A tribute to our Eire Scout

The football club was deeply saddened by the death of our scout in the Republic of Ireland, Paddy Fenlon.

I first met Paddy two years ago, when I went to Dublin to try to sign Alan Moore. Paddy was the secretary of Rivermount Boy's football teams from eight-year-olds to 18-year-olds. After Alan signed for us I asked Paddy to join us as Boro scout and we had a very happy association.



● ALAN MOORE - Paddy's discovery and a mourner at his funeral

Paddy's enthusiasm for the game was unique. Indeed, he travelled the world supporting Jack Charlton's national team.

He picked up Alan Moore as an eight-year-old and nurtured him over the years. It is sad that he wasn't well enough to see his prodigy play in the first team. I've lost a first class scout, but more than that a dear friend. Alan and Curtis Fleming represented the club at Paddy's funeral.

RON BONE
Youth Development Officer

Steve's our new Chairman

The new chairman of Middlesbrough Football Club is Steve Gibson. He has been a director since 1984 and played a key part in helping to rescue Boro from liquidation in 1986.

Teesside businessman, Steve accepted the Board's nomination as Chairman at their meeting this week. Under his leadership, the Board has pledged itself to addressing the key issues which face the club.

The club's prime target is to regain Premier League status

at the earliest opportunity.

The Board is also totally committed to finding an early solution in the best interests of the club to the current shareholder differences, and it is resolved to comply with the Taylor Report recommendations to provide the club with a stadium in which the whole of Teesside can take pride.

Says Steve: "I am not underestimating the task that lies ahead. It's a big job and I want to do it well."

Pre-match Entertainment

Today sees the start of a new form of pre-match entertainment at Ayresome Park.

A team of Boro Junior Reds compete against a team of Junior Hatters from Luton in dribble relay.

It is hoped that this will become a fairly regular feature at our home games at around 2.30pm, so please come early and cheer the boys on.

It will also help to ease the pressure on our ticket office on matchdays, largely caused by supporters seeking concessionary price tickets for the East Stand and family terraces.

If you wish to take advantage of concessionary tickets, please order in advance - or come to Ayresome Park well before the kick-off time.

Half-Time Shoot-Out

The half-time entertainment is a penalty shoot-out between Sacred Heart School at Redcar and King's Manor Comprehensive, Middlesbrough.

Sacred Heart in the navy blue are represented by keeper Simon Hood and penalty takers Ben Patton, Danny Wilkinson, Neil Roth and Peter Watts, with reserve Glen Dolan.

King's Manor in red shirts are:- keeper, Andrew Wing, kickers, David Reed, Neil Howes, Steven Boyle, Andrew Jones and Lee Blockley. Reserve, Brian Jefferson.

Each school involved in the Evening Gazette/ Middlesbrough FC sponsored competition is entitled to 50 concessionary tickets - 38 juniors at £2 and 12 adults at £5. Orders must be placed well in advance.

BORO ROLL CALL

Player/birthplace/ Birthdate	Previous Clubs	1992-93		Boro		Career	
		Apps	Goals	Apps	Goals	Apps	Goals
ANDY COLLETT Middlesbrough 04-07-72		-	-	2	0	2	0
CURTIS FLEMING Manchester 08-10-68	St. Patricks	3	-	55	-	55	-
		2	-	10	-	10	1
JOHN HENDRIE Lennoxton 24-10-63	Coventry, Hereford, Bradford, Newcastle, Leeds	6	5	117	20	378	76
		2	2	30	6	76	20
CRAIG HIGNETT Whiston 12-01-70	Liverpool, Crewe Alexandra	6	1	28	5	149	47
		2	-	2	0	44	15
IAN IRONSIDE Sheffield 08-03-64	Sheffield, Scarborough	-	-	13	-	108	-
		-	-	2	-	14	-
GRAHAM KAVANAGH Dublin 02.12.73		-	-	9	-	9	-
		1	-	3	-	3	-
ALAN KERNAGHAN Otley 25-04-67	Charlton (loan)	6	1	212	16	225	16
		-	-	54	6	54	6
RICHARD LIBURD Nottingham 26-09-73		6	-	6	-	6	-
		1	-	1	-	1	-
NICKY MOHAN Middlesbrough 6-10-70		-	-	73	4	78	5
		2	-	22	-	22	-
ALAN MOORE Dublin 25-11-74		6	4	8	4	6	4
		1	-	1	-	1	-
CHRIS MORRIS Newquay 24-12-63	Sheffield Wed Celtic	6	-	30	1	267	10
		1	-	5	-	74	2
ROBBIE MUSTOE Oxford 28-08-68	Oxford	6	-	100	7	191	17
		2	-	30	4	47	6
ANDY PEAKE Mkt Harborough 01-11-61	Leicester, Grimsby, Charlton	-	-	56	-	419	22
		-	-	8	-	62	2
STEPHEN PEARS Brandon 22-01-62	Manchester United	6	-	294	-	298	-
		2	-	78	-	79	-
JAMIE POLLOCK Stockton 16-02-74		6	1	55	3	55	3
		2	-	19	-	19	-
DEREK WHYTE Glasgow 31-08-68	Celtic	6	-	40	-	257	7
		2	-	4	-	61	1
PAUL WILKINSON Louth 30-10-64	Grimsby, Everton, Notts Forest, Watford	6	2	93	31	363	121
		2	2	21	12	74	33
TOMMY WRIGHT Fife 10-01-66	Leeds, Oldham, Leicester	1	-	37	5	359	74
		2	-	7	1	53	16

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League
Cup

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Graham Fordy

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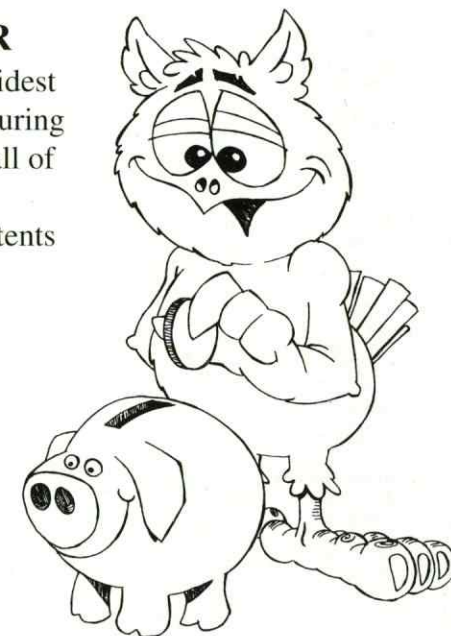
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Hatters hope to Kerry on

AFTER a decade exchanging punches with the nation's top teams, Luton Town are still struggling to come to terms with life outside the top flight.

For a club whose home gates rarely top the 10,000 mark it was a small miracle that they survived so long at the highest level of the game, but since failing to relegation in 1992 they have found it is harder to get up than stay up.

Even the return of their former saviour, manager David Pleat, has failed to pull them out of the doldrums and last season the Hatters came within two points of a second successive relegation.

It was Pleat who led the club into the old First Division in 1982 and helped establish them as force to be reckoned with. The likes of Paul Walsh, Brian Stein, Ricky Hall, Mick Hartford and Mal Donaghy won international honours during that period.

More success followed after Pleat's departure, with Ray Harford leading them to a 3-2 triumph over Arsenal in the 1988 League Cup final. Goalkeeper Andy Dibble, who

enjoyed a spell on loan with Boro last season, performed heroics and saved a penalty as Luton won the first major trophy in their history.

The team were losing finalists in the Simod Cup the same season and came close to a successful defence of the League Cup the following year, losing 3-1 to Nottingham Forest at Wembley. Players such as Kingsley Black and Roy Wegerle were the new stars, but the club's sell-to-survive policy was to be their undoing.

Luton's fortunes took a nosedive in 1991-92 and Pleat was left with a combination of older pros and untried youngsters. Last season they never managed to climb higher than 17th and eventually finished 20th. One of the few bright sparks in a disappointing season was 19-goal striker Phil Gray, but his £800,000 summer departure to Sunderland has left Pleat back at square one.

Luton fans will be hoping Kerry Dixon, the former Chelsea striker who had a loan spell with the club last season, will be the man to provide a source of goals, but with over 200 League goals behind him the ex-England player has had more than one choice of destination. Unfortunately, the Kenilworth Road board have made it clear to Pleat that none of the cash from the Gray deal will be made available for new players so the club may well miss out on Dixon.

The player himself, however, is optimistic about the club's chances this term. "If Luton can start the season well then I see no reason why we can't push ourselves towards the play-off positions" he says. "The club learned last season that if early results do not go your way you will always be chasing."

Dixon tips youngsters John Hartson and Jamie Campbell to follow in the footsteps of Stein, Hill and Black, but older players such as David Preece and John Dreyer will be vital if another relegation battle is to be avoided. Midfielder Scott Oakes is another tipped for a bright future.

The club that became infamous for its plastic pitch and its ban on away supporters during the 1980's risks disappearing into obscurity in the 1990's if new low cost stars aren't found in the near future. One of the nation's sleeping giant-killers is in need of fresh young blood!

GOALKEEPERS

● **JUERGEN SOMMER** (b. New York, 27.2.69) - Juergen joined the Hatters in August 1991 from Indiana University, USA. He made his Town debut on the opening day of the season against Watford, but was substituted in the second half after sustaining eight stitches in a head wound. Juergen has enjoyed extended first-team experience on loan at Brighton and Hove Albion and Torquay United.

● **ANDY PETERSON** (b. Fremantle, Australia 26.9.69) - Andy originally came to Luton on trial from the Australian Institute of Sport, and was offered a contract at the beginning of season 1988/89. He had spent time on loan at Swindon

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DAVID PLEAT

DEFENDERS

● **JULIAN JAMES** (b. Tring, 22.3.70) - Julian joined Luton Town as a trainee and was introduced to First Division football five seasons ago. A former England under-21 international, he was the Town's first-choice right-back last season and captained the side in Trevor Peake's absence.

● **TREVOR PEAKE** (b. Nuneaton, 6.7.57) - Club captain, Trevor started his career at Lincoln City in 1979 before moving on to Coventry City in 1983. He enjoyed eight full seasons at Highfield Road, winning an F.A. Cup winners' medal in 1987. He joined Luton for £100,000 in August 1991 and was immediately installed as club captain. Trevor was also voted last season's joint Player-of-the-Year by Town supporters.

● **JOHN DREYER** (b. Alnwick, 11.6.63) - The other recipient of the Player-of-the-Year award, John started his

career as an apprentice with Oxford United. He spent loan spells at Torquay and Fulham before making his debut for the Manor Ground club in 1985/86. He joined the Hatters in 1988 for £140,000 and he has been a regular member of the side for the past four seasons.

● **MARVIN JOHNSON** (b. Wembley, 29.10.68) - Fans' favourite, Marvin made his Football League debut against Wimbledon in 1988 and quickly established himself as a regular in the Town defence. A player who can play anywhere along the back line, he operated mainly at left-back last season after a lengthy spell out through injury.

DAVID GREENE (b. Luton, 26.10.73) - David joined the Hatters from school in August 1991 and established himself in the reserve team last season. A Republic of Ireland under-21 international, he has made rapid strides, culminating in his Luton Town debut at Grimsby Town in March 1993.

● **GREG RIOCH** (b. Sutton Coldfield, 24.6.75) - A young Hatter with Town family connections. Greg's father Bruce played for Luton in the early seventies before moving on to greater heights with Aston Villa and Scotland. Greg started his career with his father at Millwall.

MIDFIELD

● **DAVID PREECE** (b. Bridgnorth, 28.5.63) - David made his league debut for Wallsall in 1981, winning a regular place two years later. Luton invested £150,000 in his signature in 1984 and he later played in two League Cup finals for the Hatters. David has been capped three times at England 'B' level.

● **JASON REES** (b. Aberdare, 22.12.69) - Jason is an ex-trainee who made his League debut on New Year's Day 1990, as a substitute, against Everton. He made his debut for the Wales under 21 side the same season against England and has since established himself as an important squad member.

● **CERI HUGHES** (b. Rhondda Valley, 26.2.71) - Another Luton Town Welshman, Ceri re-established him-

self in the Hatter's midfield during the second half of last season after a prolonged spell out through injury. He made his debut v Aston Villa in 1990 and is a Wales youth, under-21 and full international.

● **PAUL TELFER** (b. Edinburgh, 21.10.71) - Paul is a former Luton trainee who made his debut at Everton, as substitute, towards the end of season 1990-91. Last season he established himself on the right side of midfield, but has also operated, when needed, at right-back. Paul is a Scottish under-21 international.

FORWARDS

● **SCOTT OAKES** (b. Leicester, 5.8.72) - Scott joined Luton in October 1991, along with Des Linton, and made his debut for the Hatters later that month. He developed in the junior teams at Filbert Street and made his league debut in 1990. Scott made his international debut during England's successful Toulon under-21 tournament in June 1993.

● **MARTIN WILLIAMS** (b. Luton, 12.7.73) - Martin established himself regu-

larly in the Town's 13 towards the end of last season. He made his first-team debut at Southampton in March 1992 and has also spent a loan spell in Finland. He joined the club from the ranks at Leicester City.

● **JOHN HARTSON** (b. Swansea, 5.4.75) - A prolific scorer in both the youth and reserve teams at Kenilworth Road last season, John signed professional forms in December 1992. His prolific scoring rate has continued this term and he scored (and had a goal disallowed) on his Town league debut against Nottingham Forest in August.

● **SCOTT HOUGHTON** (b. Hitchin, 22.10.71) - Scott joined the Hatters in August 1993 on a performance-related transfer from Tottenham Hotspur. He started his career with the Town as a schoolboy but joined Tottenham as a trainee in July 1988. A former pupil of the F.A.'s Centre of Excellence, he made 14 appearances for Spurs, and also served Ipswich, Gillingham and Charlton during his time at White Hart Lane.



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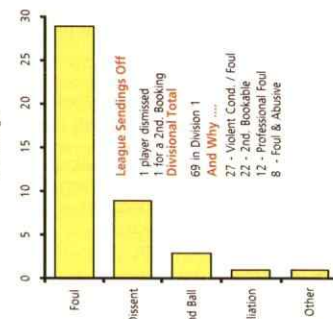
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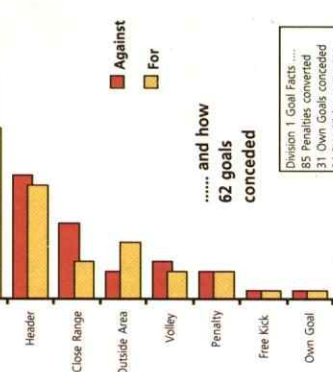
David Pleat's Boys

A=Appearances G=Goals C=Cautions	League		Cup	
	A	G	C	A
Gray	45	19	7	4
James	43	2	4(1)	4
Preece	43	3	2	4
Peake	40	3	4	4
Johnson	38(2)	3	2	4
Dreyer	38	3	6	2(1)
Chamberlain	32	1	2	2
Telfer	30(2)	2	1	2
Rees	29(3)	2	3(1)	2
Hughes	26(3)	1	5	2
Oakes	25(19)	5	2	1(3)
Kamara	21			2
Linton	17(3)	1	1	2
Claridge	15(1)	2	2	3
Salton	15		3	2
Petterson	14			2
Williams	7(15)	1		2
Benjamin	5(5)	1		
Mathew	3(2)		1	
Campbell	2(7)	1	1	(1)
Harvey	1			(2)
Green	1			

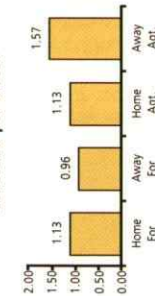
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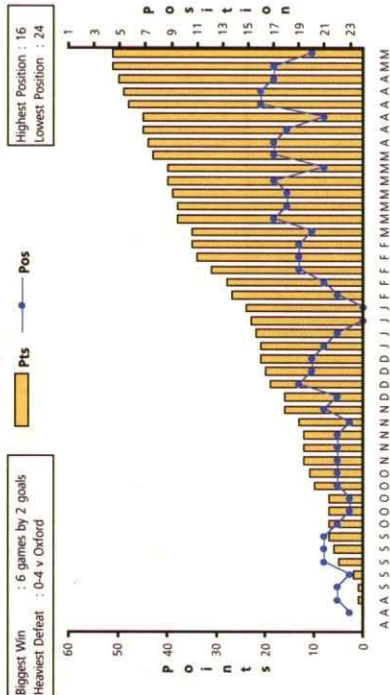
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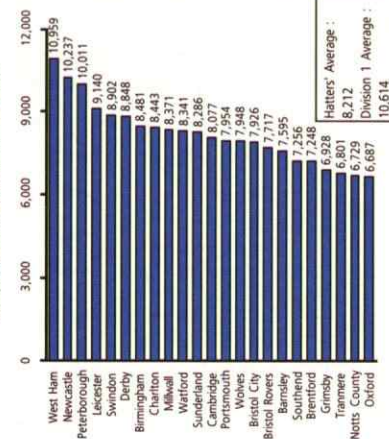
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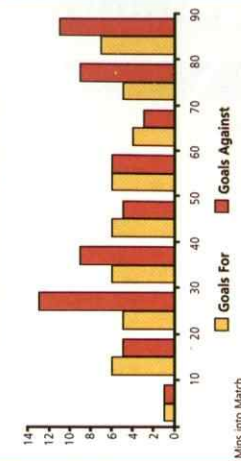
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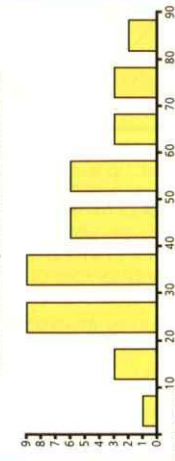
League Gates at Kenilworth Roac



When Luton Scored and Concede



When the Ref. produced the Yellow Car



SIDE BY SIDE

by Harry Glasper



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	Pt	W	D	L	F-A
Home	11	4	3	4	11-14
Away	11	3	1	7	12-21
	22	7	4	11	23-35

Highest Win

Home 2-1 (8 Apr 1961) (27 Mar 1971) (3 Nov 1973) (22 Oct 1988)
 Away 1-0 (23 Apr 1973) (30 Mar 1974) (16 Oct 1974)

Heaviest Defeat

Home 2-4 (20 Sep 1961) Away 1-6 (19 Nov 1960)

Last Win

Home 2-1 (22 Oct 1988) Away 1-0 (16 Oct 1974)

Last Defeat

Home 0-1 (23 Dec 1972) Away 0-1 (18 Feb 1989)

Last Draw

Home 1-1 (24 Aug 1974) Away 1-1 (24 Feb 1900)

First Meeting

Home 0-0 (21 Oct 1899) Away 1-1 (24 Feb 1900)

Most goals scored in game

Home (6) 2-4 (20 Sep 1961)
 Away (7) 1-6 (19 Nov 1960) 3-4 (25 Mar 1963)

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Alan Peacock 5, Hughie McMolye 2,
 Willie Maddren 2, David Mills 2.

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 Tony Mowbray (capt), Gary Hamilton, Gary
 Pallister, Bernie Slaven, Mark Brennan, Mark
 Burke (Alan Kernaghan), Paul Kerr, Stuart Ripley.

Subs:- Dean Glover

Scorer:- Slaven 4, Cooper 43

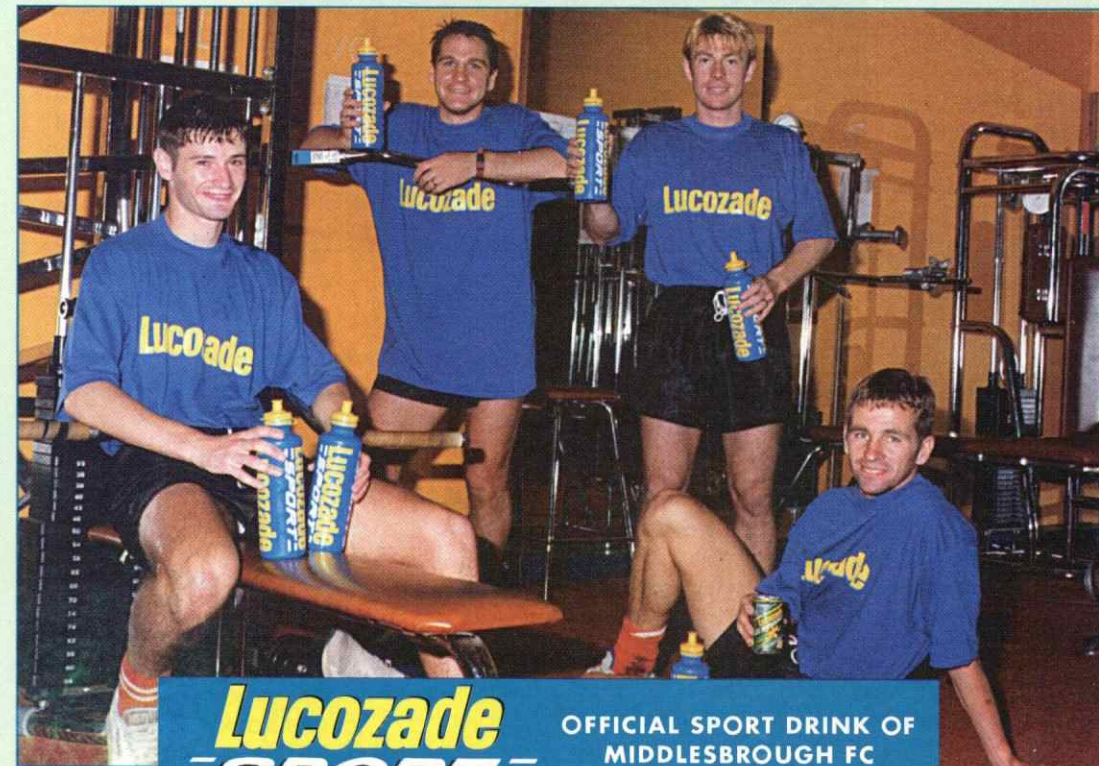
Manager:- Bruce Rioch

LUTON TOWN 11th:-

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 John Dreyer, Darren McDonough (Tim Breacker),
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Scorer:- Wilson 86 (pen)

Manager:- Ray Harford



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ICI and the Middlesbrough Football Club look set to build on last season's successful "Behind the Scenes" visits to Ayresome Park for ICI employees.

Around 100 ICI employees and their families enjoyed two separate visits to the club towards the end of last season.

However, this season's visits are likely to take the form of an ICI "Open Day" at Ayresome towards the end of the season.

Organised by ICI's Teesside Community Relations Group and MFC officials, last season's trips allowed employees the chance to explore the numerous function rooms behind the North Stand, the Directors lounge and trophy room, sports hall and gymnasium, players' dressing rooms and the pitch.

On the way from the dressing rooms to the pitch, many employees took the opportunity to touch the sign saying "This is Ayresome" at the entrance to the tunnel.

ICI staff were impressed with the quality of the pitch,

despite the fact that it was the end of the season; the sheer size of the playing area and the distinctive camber which gives it excellent drainage.

Even in an empty stadium, the stands appeared to dominate the playing area and it was easy to imagine the atmosphere which is generated by a packed

Behind the Scenes



* Some of the ICI employees and their families who enjoyed a conducted tour of Ayresome Park.

Ayresome Park and how intimidating that must be for opposing players.

The trip brought back strong memories for one former Boro player. Don Burluraux, 42, who now works on ICI's Propathene plant at Wilton as a Quality control lab analyst.

He captained a Boro junior side to victory in a major

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international tournament in Dunkirk in 1970.

Said Don: "We beat German side Essen in the final to take the international juniors' cup. After being one down, we fought back to win 6-1.

"There were eight different teams in the tournament from different countries and with the final being held in Dunkirk and the finalists being an English and a German team it was like a re-run of World War Two!

Winger Don was at the Boro from 1968-72 and played a handful of first team games under manager Stan Anderson. He played alongside players such as Willie Maddren, David Mills and

Jim Platt, who later became household names in the first team.

Walking across the pitch, Don commented that it seemed in as good shape now as during his playing days. "The only thing that's different is it's now a bit narrower. When I was playing the touchlines came almost up to the cinder track."

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PAUL WILKINSON

PAUL Wilkinson might have been a County cricketer. As a schoolboy in the Grimsby area, he showed more promise as a batsman than a free-scoring centre forward.

At 14, Paul had a two-week coaching course at Lord's. "I loved every minute. It was a wonderful experience," he recalled.

Paul represented North of England schoolboys at cricket alongside former North Yorkshire and South Durham bowler Paul Jarvis.

On leaving school, Paul had a sporting choice - to become an apprentice professional with Grimsby Town or to join Nottinghamshire groundstaff.

"I love my cricket and I still like to take in one Test match a year, whenever possible, but I chose football for two reasons - the financial rewards were greater - and I could stay at home if I

served my apprenticeship with Grimsby."

Wilkinson has never regretted his decision. He has represented England at Under-21 level, won a First Division championship medal with Everton, and played in the Premier League with Middlesbrough. With his wife, Sue, and

daughters Jade and Jasmine, he lives in a pretty North Yorkshire village, on the edge of the National Park.

Paul and Sue met when she worked in a department store in Grimsby. They were engaged within a year and married when Paul was 21.

On one summer holiday in Lanzarote, they were involved in a fatal accident when travelling in a coach. "It was a bad crash between the coach and a car. The car driver was killed.

"Neither Sue nor I were hurt, but we took no chances. My wife was pregnant at the time, so we cut short our holiday. We came home after four days. Fortunately, everything was all-right and Jade, our first girl, was born later."

Paul got his break into the big-time with Everton. Howard Kendall signed him on transfer deadline day after he returned home from an England Under-21 game.

Wilkinson made an instant down payment on the £250,000 fee with the matchwinning goal against Liverpool in a thrilling Merseyside derby. He was a hero to half of Merseyside, but not so popular with the other half!

After moves to Nottingham Forest and Watford, Paul and Sue

welcomed a chance to return North. "We enjoyed the London area but, with a young family, we did not have much chance to see the bright lights.

"The chance to return North was to our liking and I was pleased when Lennie Lawrence asked me to sign for Middlesbrough," said Paul.

Footballers have their own superstitions and habits. Paul is no exception to the general rule. He always runs out eighth in line before a match - and never takes part in pre-match warm-ups on the field.

in the Premier League, despite the trauma of relegation. "We lost our way and were punished at vital times. Some teams killed us off when they were on top. It is something we must learn for this season.

"Injuries hit us, of course, and many of our young players did not know what to expect in the top flight. Yet we had a great finish and I thought we did just about enough to stay up."

Paul is thrilled over the Boro's great start to the season and the prospect of being involved in another promotion challenge. He is also enjoying his partnership with John Hendrie.

John shot to the top of the First Division scoring charts in August, with Wilkinson and Alan Moore making good contributions too. "It helps when the goals are spread around. It certainly takes the pressure off me, says Paul who hit 4 goals in 6 games.

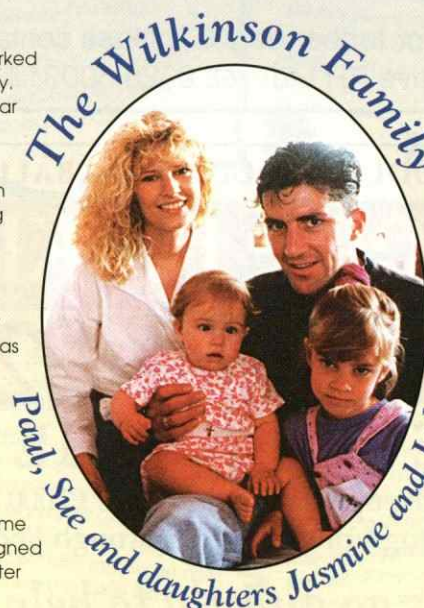
"I have been Middlesbrough's leading scorer for two seasons, but I won't mind if John beats me this season, as long as we go into the Premiership. That must be the No.1 priority."

Sue had no hesitation in selecting the most memorable Middlesbrough game in which her husband has played. It was the dramatic final-day promotion clincher at Wolves.

"I was with Alison, Willie Falconer's wife, in the main stand. We were among Wolves supporters, but we could not keep quiet.

"After Paul had put the Boro' ahead, the final ten minutes were the longest I have known. The final whistle was a tremendous relief and the celebration were something special. Even spectators looked drained after the game.

"Let's hope we have similar celebrations at the end of this season."



"I like to take a bath, whenever possible, before a game and do warm-up exercises in the dressing room. Some players like to blast the ball into the net before a game. I prefer to keep a clear head, reserve my energy, and concentrate on the kick-off."

Paul enjoyed his one-season spell

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ALL OUR YESTERDAYS by Harry Gasper



10 YEARS AGO

David Booth's Grimsby Town, our visitors on Saturday, September 17, 1983, were hoping to emulate their previous visit to Ayresome Park. On that occasion, in September, 1982, they comprehensively demolished a poor Middlesbrough side to the tune of 4-1!

For the Mariners' visit Boro manager Malcolm Allison showed three changes - one positional, Heine Otto was switched from centre-forward to right-half to accommodate the return of David Currie after one game's absence through injury, and right half Gary Hamilton was demoted to substitute.

On 20 minutes, Boro had to reshuffle the team when Alan Roberts had to be helped off the pitch and Allison pushed Hamilton into the fray. Mick Baxter put Boro ahead with his first goal of the season on the half-hour, but Boro relinquished the advantage seconds before the half time when Joe Waters steered the ball wide of Kelham O' Hanlon.

Referee David Scott booked two Grimsby players, Joe Waters for a foul on Paul Ward and assistant-manager Chris Nicholl for a heavy tackle on Paul Sugrue.

20 YEARS AGO

On Monday, September 17, 1973 a point was picked up at Brisbane Road in a hard-fought game against Orient (now called Leyton Orient). The away point lifted us, albeit only for one night, into top place in the Second Division.

Five days later, we travelled to Bloomfield Road to play Blackpool, managed by Harry Potts. Earlier in the week Charlton was highly delighted to secure the services (on a free transfer as well!) of Scottish international Bobby Murdoch, from Celtic and he was pushed straight into the side to face the Seasiders. Northern Ireland international Eric McMordie was dropped to make way for the legendary Scot and striker Malcolm Smith was named as the attacking substitute.

For the third successive game, before a crowd of 14,784, the final score was 0-0 - hardly promotion-winning form with only one goal scored in four games played! Who would have suspected from this indifferent form that Boro were about to grab the Second Division by the scruff of the neck!

30 YEARS AGO

Two successive away games, a 2-2 draw at Deepdale against Preston North End and a 2-1 defeat at Millmoor against Rotherham United had yielded just one League point. Boro looked for their first win in four games on September 21, 1963, against Leyton Orient at Ayresome Park.

Manager Raich Carter was glad to see England international Alan Peacock fully fit after he had missed four games with a knee injury and he returned at centre-forward to the exclusion of Bill Gates. With England international full-back Mick McNeill playing so well at left-back, Carter continued with the experiment of playing full-back Gordon Jones at outside-left.

Boro's forward line was averaging almost three goals a game and had only failed to score in one league game so far, a 2-0 reverse at St. James' Park against Newcastle United. The defence, normally so watertight, had conceded two goals in each game.

Before a crowd of 23,282 leading scorer Ian Gibson made sure the team made a quick return to winning ways with two more goals, taking his personal tally for the season to eight goals.

40 YEARS AGO

Our 1953/54 season's home form started off disastrously for we lost three of the opening five games at Ayresome Park - the latest debacle coming in a 4-1 defeat at the hands of Manchester United on September 16th. The chance to remedy the situation quickly presented itself with another home game three days later against fellow strugglers Sheffield Wednesday, before a crowd numbering 22,638, the lowest of the season so far.

Manager Walter Rowley made sweeping changes for the visit of the Owls. Out went Frank Mulholland, Ken McPherson and Geoff Walker. There were positional changes for Lindy Delapenha, Wilf Mannion and Arthur Fitzsimons. Johnny Spuhler and Joe Rayment were brought into the side for their first taste of football that season.

First half goals from Mannion, Spuhler and an Eddie Gannon own goal took the game out of Wednesday's reach before Clarie Jordan reduced the arrears early in the second half. Lindy Delapenha scored the final goal ten minutes before full-time. The much welcomed two points lifted the club two places off the bottom spot in the First Division.

DAVE ALLAN recalls, in chronological order, the achievements and goalscoring feats of Boro's greatest marksmen.

4- GEORGE CAMSELL

THE most prolific goalscorer in Middlesbrough's long history, record-breaking centre-forward George Camsell remains a Boro legend 55 years after playing his last first class game for the club.

The England international scored a club record 325 League goals between 1925 and 1935, but has gone down in the annals of history as the man who scored 59 League goals in one astonishing season.

Lethal with either foot, Camsell was blessed with

CAMSELL FILE	
Boro career	453
Appearances:	345
Boro goals:	1.31
Average games per goal:	10
Seasons as top scorer:	24
Boro hat-tricks	40
Best season (1926-27)	63
Appearances:	0.63
Goals:	
Average games per goal:	

tremendous speed, and although he stood just 5'9", he was deceptively strong and was more than a match for the toughest of defenders.

Despite his phenomenal record, County Durham-born Camsell was a relative latecomer to first class football and did not score his first Boro goal until well after his 23rd birthday. He made an impact and almost joined Barnsley for just £200. Indeed, Camsell was only given his chance in the Boro side following an injury to first choice centre-forward Jimmy McClelland, the fans' favourite who had scored a club record 38 league and cup goals in 1925-26 season.

Boro were expected to struggle without their main source of goals, but almost from the moment Camsell took his place in the side he was the new idol of the Ayresome Park regulars. Stepping in for the fifth match of the 1926-27 season against

Barnsley, he failed to find the back of the net but then went on an incredible striking spree that saw him net 45 goals in his next 22 League appearances!

Camsell simply tore Second Division defences to shreds as Boro ran away with the title and clinched promotion to the top flight. His total of 59 League goals in just 37 games was a Second Division record that stands to this day and included one five goal haul, three fours and no less than five hat-tricks. In one incredible December week he grabbed four in a 7-1 mauling of Swansea, all five as Boro won 5-3 at Manchester City and another two as City lost 2-1 in front of an Ayresome Park record attendance of 43,754.

Great things were expected of the Boro on their return to the top flight, but it was not to be. Camsell announced his arrival at the highest level by scoring four against Everton in the opening week of the season, but his eventual tally of 33 goals in 40 games was not enough to stop the club sinking to relegation. Incredibly, just two points separated the clubs in sixth and 22nd position!

Big-hearted Boro bounced back immediately, again winning the Second Division championship and Camsell's goals earned him his first England cap against France in Paris in May 1929. The Boro great made the perfect start to his international career, scoring twice in a 4-1 win and followed that with another four as England hammered Belgium 5-1 two days later. He added more strikes in his next two games for the national side, but it remains a mystery why, with a record of 11 goals in four appearances, he was not called upon again for more than five years.

With Boro this time finding stability in the First Division, Camsell continued

to terrorise defences across the length and breadth of the country. He hit 29 on their return to the top flight and followed that with 32 as Boro finished a highly creditable seventh in 1930-31. In November, 1933, at the age of 31, he found the net four times as the team romped to a record 10-3 success over Sheffield United and he was recalled to the England side the following year. The goal-getter supreme found the target in each of his five international games over the next two years. His 18 England goals in just nine appearances rank him as one of his country's all time top scorers.

Despite appearing less frequently

BORO'S ALL-TIME TOP LEAGUE GOALSCORERS	
George Camsell	325
George Elliott	203
Brian Clough	197
John Hickton	159
Micky Fenton	147

in the twilight years of his career. Camsell continued his love affair with the back of the net, adding 18 goals in only 23 League games in 1936-37 when he was 34 years old. Ironically, that campaign saw his run of 10 successive seasons as Boro's top scorer before the outbreak of World War II brought his career to an end. He continued to appear for Boro in north-east regional matches throughout the war years and later spent 20 years as the club's chief scout, coach and assistant secretary. He died in Middlesbrough General Hospital in March 1966.

The majority of records Camsell set still hold to this day. Only Everton's Dixie Dean scored more goals for one club. His 59-goal haul in 1926-27 remains a Second Division record, he was the club's top scorer more times than any other player, he scored more hat-tricks than any other Boro player and scored more international goals than any player in the club's long history.

ALL OUR YESTERDAYS



MIDDLESBROUGH 2 LUTON 1
Saturday, April 8th, 1961

Luton Town were our visitors on Saturday, April 8, 1961 and Boro, who had lost 6-1 at Kenilworth Road in November, had revenge in mind.

Second Division leaders Ipswich Town were soundly beaten 3-1 at Ayresome Park earlier in the week, but hopes of fielding a full strength team against the Hatters took a knock when Alan Peacock (knee strain), Derek Stonehouse (bruised shin) and Arthur Kaye (back injury) were all pencilled in to see the club doctor.

Peacock failed to respond to treatment and was reluctantly withdrawn from the squad, but manager Bob Dennison overlooked Willie Hamilton, the club's record £13,000 signing from Sheffield United, and nominated Ronnie Waldock as Peacock's successor. Hamilton played in the reserve side which won 6-3 at Doncaster Rovers in the North Regional League.

Town suffered a setback in the eighth minute when Dave Pacey collided with his own left-back John Bramwell and had to leave the field for urgent

Brian's Brace

medical attention to a gash on his forehead. The wound required 8 stitches and he was absent for 8 minutes, but Boro could not capitalise on Town having only ten men on the field.

On 34 minutes, Boro took the lead following some excellent build up work involving Derek McLean, who managed to beat a couple of defenders before pushing the ball to Brian Clough waiting at the far post. Cloughie, as usual, took great pleasure in tapping the ball past Ron Baynham.

In the first minute of the second half, Luton's Bob Morton caught the Boro defence stone cold when he sailed clean through down the right wing. Keeper Esmond Million misjudged the flight of Morton's cross and he was caught well out of his goal and Roland Legate headed the ball into the empty net for the Hatters' equaliser.

It was status quo two minutes later for Boro when Bill Harris picked up a

clearance out of defence and quickly found Clough, whose shot bulged the back of the Luton net before the Hatters' defence could take any action.

Twenty minutes from the end, Gordon Turner had to be stretchered from the field with a leg injury but he returned, limping heavily, five minutes later. Minutes from full-time, Town full-back John Bramwell upended Billy Day in the box and referee John Powell, of Rotherham awarded Boro a penalty.

Harris, the club's regular penalty-taker shot straight at Baynham and the opportunity to move further ahead had gone. Within three minutes Luton's trainer had to help Gordon Turner off the field, but Boro ended the game 2-1 winners to be level on points with third-placed Liverpool who had a superior goal average.

The Second Division table that evening reflected both teams' position as:-

	PL	W	D	L	F-A	Pts	Posn
Boro	39	17	12	10	87-67	Pts	4th
Town	38	13	8	17	62-74	Pts	14th



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The experience will support them well in their quest for full-time employment in the sport and leisure industry. Thank you to them both.

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Let's get physical

THE best thing about Boro's trip to the seaside at Southend in that it is over for another season at least.

Never mind the Nottingham Forests and Derby Counties, it's the daunting visits to fierce and proud little clubs like Southend which always seem to cause the most problems.

It's specially difficult when you see the kind of non-stop bombardment which Boro endured at Roots Hall. Sure, the trips to the City Ground and the Baseball Ground will be tough. But Boro know how to handle and compete against the big clubs, specially when they have the opportunity to play their own game. The problem is that you just can't get your normal game together at places like Southend. You are forced to battle and scrap, and in the end, you often end up losing because the style of football is alien.

I don't blame the Shrimpers for setting out to play 100 miles an hour stuff by humping the ball forward to their front men almost incessantly. Manager Barry Fry is doing the best he can with an honest bunch of players and I'm sure they'll beat a lot more good sides at Roots Hall. But it must be a relief for all and sundry at Ayresome Park to know that the potentially most testing and physical game of the season is already behind them.

LEARNING THE LESSONS

It's probably fair to say that Boro will face a similar kind of game at Peterborough, though not quite so fast, while they must also be ready for a highly physical game at Crystal Palace.

However there are no Sheffield Uniteds or Cambridges in the division, so Boro should generally have the opportunity to display their skills on their travels.

Matches like the one at Southend are very much learning affairs. It was ideal for showing youngsters like Jamie Pollock, Richard Liburd and Alan Moore the other side of the coin in league football. They now know exactly what to expect the next time this kind of game comes along. No doubt they will be better equipped to deal with it.

The most important thing to remember is that there all-action games are winnable. In fact, Boro won their last trip to Southend two seasons ago.

On that occasion Bernie Slaven scored the winner from the penalty spot after John Hendrie had been up-ended by the keeper. There was the promise of a repeat situation last weekend when Hendrie again went sprawling in the box in the second half- this time under a challenge from Graham Bressington.

It looked a fair challenge, but Portsmouth referee Micky Pierce took up a solid stance with his whistle in his

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mouth and his arm outstretched with his finger pointing into the penalty area.

For a while, everybody in the ground thought that he had awarded a penalty. The Boro fans were celebrating and even the lads from Radio Cleveland and TFM announced in their live broadcasts that the team had been awarded a penalty.

The reality of the situation was that Mr Pierce was merely pointing at the six-yard line for a goal kick. I'm sure that the ref meant well, but the kind of postures he adopted when making many of his decisions was an annoying kind of role acting which we don't need in football.



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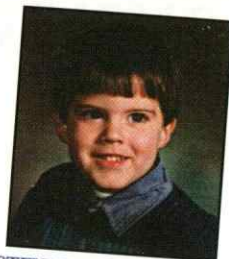
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KEVIN PARRY

Middlesbrough lad Kevin goes to Hall Garth School. He is 11 years old and his hobbies are football, tennis and fishing. Favourite Boro players - Steve Pears and John Hendrie.

Today's Mascots



STEVEN CHAMBERLAIN

Steven is one of our youngest mascots at four-years-old. He attends Kader Nursery School, Middlesbrough and likes football and swimming. His Boro favourite is John Hendrie.

Howard Turton

Occupation: Trading Standards Officer
From: Norton
Age: 28
Matchday position at Ayresome: South Stand
First Boro match attended: "It was possibly against Liverpool when I was about 10."

Best Boro match attended: "The televised live game against Aston Villa when we beat them 2-1 on the way to promotion in 1988. Both teams played really well but for once we won a game that we deserved to win."

Best moment as a Boro fan: "Beating Leeds 4-1 last season - it was the most amazing result, unbelievable. I had a few drinks to celebrate afterwards!"

Worst moment as a fan: "Numerous matches last season when we threw away points. It was just so sickening because I knew we were going down from Christmas onwards."

Best Boro goal: "Select any from one of the many Stuart Ripley shots from all angles and distances in his last season with us."

Favourite all-time Boro player: "Gary Pallister - a superb defender in tally with Mowbray."

On the Spot

The half-time penalty shoot-out in the Cleveland Schools competition sponsored by the Evening Gazette and Middlesbrough FC is between Sacred Heart School, Redcar, and King's Manor Comprehensive in Middlesbrough.

Current favourite: "I like Falconer but he didn't do so well last season."

Tip for the future: "I think Ironside will make a pretty good goalkeeper but he will have to move from here because he'll never budge Steve Pears."

Fan File

All-time Boro select: "Steve Pears, Curtis Fleming, Colin Cooper, Gary Pallister, Tony Mowbray, Craig Johnston, Gary Hamilton, David Armstrong, Alan Comfort, Bernie Slaven, Paul Wilkinson. Subs: Willie Falconer, Ian Baird."

Player you'd like to see Boro sign: "We need a classy forward - Gavin Peacock would have been ideal."

What make of Boro's prospects this season: "I think we'll probably finish 8th or 9th - I can't see us going up or struggling."

Promotion tips: "I think Forest will go straight back up and Derby should get their act together, with possibly Portsmouth to join them."

Quick Quiz

Two complimentary seat tickets for a forthcoming home game are yours for the first set of correct answers out of the hat to the following questions:-

- 1) Which Luton player's father was a manager for the Boro?
 - 2) What is Boro's best home win against the Hatters?
 - 3) Who holds the all-time goalscoring record for Boro?
- Answers on a postcard, if possible, to Quick Quiz, Middlesbrough FC, Ayresome Park, Middlesbrough, TS1 4PB. Winner of the competition in the Barnsley programme is Mr A.W. Scott, from 7 Jacklin Walk, Eaglescliffe.

On the Ball

Our Ball Boys this afternoon come from ICI Under 14's and they are: Ian Bennett, Andrew Blissett, Lee Laing, Kevin Smith, Scott Savage, Michael Jones, John Cartwright, Paul Forster, Karl Swales, Jamie Swales, David Chase, Stuart Bunker, Chris Fountain, Gary Havelock, Neil Brettie, Alex Fotheringham, Stephen Gasper, Paul Jones, Manager, Walter Laing.

Disabled Supporters

Recently the football club offered the option of season tickets for the Disabled Enclosure at Ayresome Park.

When we carried out a survey, the majority of our members appeared to be in favour of taking up the option.

The season tickets will come into force as from our home match against Birmingham on October 2nd. The prices will be £48.45p for Disabled and £96.90p for Helpers both prices including a 15 per cent discount. Applications should be made to the Ticket Office in Ayresome Park Road.

The next meeting of the Disabled Branch is on Tuesday, 28th September in the Players Lounge at 7.30pm. Outstanding membership fees should be paid on the night.

-Paddy Cronesberry

SIMON BOLTON is a Travel Club member and Secretary of the Supporters Club. He'll be keeping you in touch with Boro's away trips

Grimsby 2 Boro 1 - Anglo Italian Cup

It's true to say that no one particularly expected the preliminary stages of the Anglo-Italian Cup to attract the sort of support you would get at a cup tie in one of the other competitions or a league game.

There are some who find the competition a waste of time, both for players and supporters, and even those who fancy a trip to Italy at some stage will admit that at this stage, there is little to recommend about the competition.

Boro were drawn to play their first game in the round robin competition at Blundell Park, home of Grimsby. At one stage, I wondered just who else, other than myself, would be going, given that most of the regulars seemed less than interested in the game. Arriving at the ground itself was strange, none of the usual activities and tension you see and feel at an away ground, just the odd supporter from both sides and a few police and stewards. I've never been to an away reserve game, but I'd imagine it can't be too far removed from going to this sort of game.

Into the ground, no one about, a handful on the away terracing, one or two dotted around the rest

of the ground. Grimsby's away end is large enough but you have to go right to the back of the terrace to see over the unnecessarily high fence which otherwise obscures your view. Those in the seats behind were OK, but it's a point worth remembering when we play the league game there.

It's not long to kick off and I'm wondering if there will be more players than spectators for this particular game. But there's a late rush into the Boro end and by kick off there's a respectable 250 - 300 Boro fans there, making up a third of the total gate for the evening. Among them were the fly me to the moon team, sporting Italian style suits and shades and carrying a drum and kazoo, to be heard trying to inject some Italian style atmosphere into a dull night in Cleethorpes.

Boro fielded a team made up of half first team players and half reserves and those coming back to full fitness. Lennie later admitted that perhaps he'd made a mistake in making five changes at once for one game. Certainly the effort was there for the most part, but the pattern and style we've seen in league games was missing. Trailing to a Clive Mendonca goal at half time, the highlight of the evening was John Hendrie's equaliser early in the second half, a fine shot which the keeper couldn't stop. At least a 1-1 draw was better than a defeat, but some slack marking from a corner gave Grimsby the lead again late on, and the already disenchanted Boro fans, unaccustomed to defeat this season headed for home.

Match Facts: Final Score: Grimsby 2 Boro 1 (Hendrie)

Boro line up: Pears, Morris, Fleming, Whyte, Mohan, Kavanagh, Mustoe, Wright, Barness, Hendrie, Wilkinson.

Subs. Pollock, Hignett

Referee: Stephen Lodge (Barnsley)

Attendance: 996

GETTING THERE

Our next two away games are at West Bromwich and Brighton, car travellers should take the following routes.

For West Bromwich take the usual A19 route to the A1, at Ferrybridge join the M62 towards Leeds/Manchester. Keep on M62 and at junction 10 head for the M6 South.

At Junction 8 on the M6 join the M5. Exit the M5 at Junction 1, the A41 Birmingham Road. Follow Birmingham Road to the Hawthorns Ground.

For Brighton, again the normal A19 route South from Teesside to the A1 at Dishforth. Continue South on the A1 to the Doncaster by-pass A1(M), exiting onto the M18 Motorway.

From the M18, enter the M1 South and remain on it until Junction 6a, exiting onto the M25 travelling East. After crossing the new Dartford Bridge, follow M25 until Junction 7.

Travel South on the M23 until Junction 11 then continue South on the A23 signposted Brighton.

Some two miles after Pyecombe turn right on to A2038 after about a mile bear left on A2023. Turn left at the next crossroads into Old Shoreham Road and you will eventually see the ground on your left.

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★ Course owner JOHN ASKEW and his wife ANN greet ROBBIE MUSTOE, ALAN KERNAGHAN and CRAIG HIGNETT



YOUTH ON OUR SIDE

N. INTERMEDIATE APPEARANCES

- 6- Agiadis, Johnson, Norton, Roberts.
5- McKinlay, Taylor.
4- Byrne, Richardson, Todd, Ward, White.
3- Barron, McGargle, Skingsley.
2- Bagayoko, Illman, Stamp.
1- Alderson, Dwyer, Mills, Summerbell.

N. INTERMEDIATE GOALSCORERS

- 5- Johnson.
2- Agiadis, Illman, Stamp, White.
1- McGargle, Norton, Richardson.

N. INTERMEDIATE FIXTURES/RESULTS

1993				KO	
Sat	7 Aug	Scunthorpe United	a	W	4-0
Sat	14 Aug	Barnsley	a	W	4-0
Sat	21 Aug	Hull City	a	W	3-1
Sat	28 Aug	Sheffield United	a	W	1-0
Sat	4 Sep	Sunderland	a	W	2-1
Sat	11 Sep	Leeds United (NI Cup)	a	W	2-1
Sat	18 Sep	Hartlepool United	a		11.00am
Sat	25 Sep	Bradford City	a		11.00am
Sat	2 Oct	Doncaster Rovers	a		11.00am
Sat	9 Oct	Rotherham United	a		12.00am
Sat	16 Oct	York City	a		11.00am
Sat	23 Oct	Leeds United	h		11.00am
Sat	30 Oct	Sheffield Wednesday	a		11.30am
Sat	6 Nov	Newcastle United	h		11.00am
Sat	13 Nov	Darlington	a		11.00am
Sat	20 Nov	Huddersfield Town	h		11.00am
Sat	27 Nov	Scunthorpe United	h		12.00am
Sat	4 Dec	Barnsley	h		11.30am
Sat	11 Dec	Hull City	h		12.00am
Sat	18 Dec	Sheffield United	h		11.00am
1994					
Sat	8 Jan	Bradford City	h		11.00am
Sat	15 Jan	Doncaster Rovers	h		11.00am
Sat	22 Jan	Rotherham United	h		12.00am
Sat	29 Jan	York City	h		11.00am
Sat	5 Feb	Leeds United	a		11.00am
Sat	12 Feb	Sheffield Wednesday	h		11.30am
Sat	19 Feb	Newcastle United	a		11.00am
Sat	26 Feb	Darlington	h		11.00am
Sat	5 Mar	Huddersfield Town	a		11.00am
Sat	12 Mar	Sunderland	h		11.00am
Sat	19 Mar	Hartlepool United	h		11.00am

IN RESERVE

NORTHERN INTERMEDIATE LEAGUE

		GOALS						
		P	W	D	L	For.	Ag.	Pts.
1	Middlesbrough	5	5	0	0	14	2	15
2	Huddersfield Town	5	4	1	0	11	6	13
3	Leeds United	5	3	1	1	11	9	10
4	Newcastle United	3	3	0	0	11	0	9
5	Sheffield Wednesday	5	2	3	0	13	6	9
6	Barnsley	5	2	1	2	11	11	7
7	Sunderland	4	2	0	2	10	5	6
8	Scunthorpe United	5	1	2	2	5	7	5
9	Hull City	5	1	2	2	4	6	5
10	Rotherham United	5	1	2	2	5	9	5
11	Doncaster Rovers	3	1	1	1	2	2	4
12	Bradford City	5	1	1	3	9	12	4
13	York City	5	1	1	3	5	10	4
14	Darlington	4	1	0	3	3	13	3
15	Hartlepool United	5	1	0	4	8	19	3
16	Sheffield United	5	0	1	4	1	6	1

MATCH REPORT

Northern Intermediate League Cup

Leeds United 1 Middlesbrough 2

Saturday, September 11

Due to Leeds United having problems with their training ground pitch, this away tie was switched to Teesside and played at South Bank FC's ground.

In front of a good sized crowd, the game was played at a fast and furious pace, with Neil Illman putting us ahead on 15 minutes with a volley from 12 yards in his first juniors appearance of the season.

Left winger Ross Skingsley rattled the crossbar with a great 25-yard strike. We added to our score on the hour, when a Leeds defender put the ball into his own net after a powerful run and cross down the right wing by Ian Johnson.

Charlie Agiadis had a goal disallowed for offside 30 seconds before Leeds scored to bring themselves back into the game, but it was Boro who looked more likely to add to their score.

Richard Ward and Wesley Byrne played well in defence. Paul Norton again shone in midfield and Skingsley must have been pleased with his first full game.

Once again, the players worked very hard and fully deserved their victory on a day when our thanks go to the people of South Bank for their help and support.

Teams: Roberts, Ward, Byrne, Todd, Barron, Norton, Taylor, Johnson, Agiadis, Illman, Skingsley. Subs not used: White and Bagayoko.

by GEORGE SHIPLEY

PONTIN'S LEAGUE FIXTURES/RESULTS

1993				KO	
Thur	19 Aug	Stoke City	h		0-1
Wed	25 Aug	Huddersfield Town	h		3-1
Wed	8 Sep	Oldham Athletic	h		0-4
Wed	15 Sep	Scunthorpe United	a		0-0
Wed	22 Sep	Blackpool	h		7.00pm
Thur	30 Sep	West Bromwich Albion	a		7.00pm
Wed	6 Oct	Preston North End	h		7.00pm
Wed	13 Oct	Port Vale	a		7.00pm
Wed	20 Oct	Mansfield Town	h		7.00pm
Wed	27 Oct	Barnsley	a		7.00pm
Wed	3 Nov	Rotherham United	h		7.00pm
Wed	10 Nov	Burnley	a		7.15pm
Tue	16 Nov	Grimsby Town	a		7.00pm
Wed	17 Nov	Tranmere Rovers	h		7.00pm
Wed	24 Nov	Manchester City	a		7.00pm
Wed	1 Dec	Bradford City	h		7.00pm
Wed	8 Dec	Huddersfield Town	a		7.00pm
Wed	15 Dec				
1994					
Wed	5 Jan	Hull City	a		7.00pm
Wed	12 Jan	Port Vale	h		7.00pm
Mon	17 Jan	Preston North End	a		7.00pm
Wed	19 Jan				
Wed	26 Jan	Barnsley	h		7.00pm
Mon	31 Jan	Mansfield Town	a		7.00pm
Wed	2 Feb				
Wed	9 Feb	Scunthorpe United	h		7.00pm
Tue	15 Feb	Oldham Athletic	a		7.00pm
Wed	16 Feb				
Wed	23 Feb				
Tue	1 Mar	Bradford City	a		7.00pm
Wed	2 Mar				
Wed	9 Mar	Manchester City	h		7.00pm
Wed	16 Mar	Blackpool	a		7.00pm
Wed	23 Mar	West Bromwich Albion	h		7.00pm
Wed	30 Mar	Hull City	h		7.00pm
Thur	7 Apr	Stoke City	a		7.00pm
Tue	12 Apr	Rotherham United	a		7.00pm
Wed	13 Apr				
Wed	20 Apr	Burnley	h		7.00pm
Wed	27 Apr	Tranmere Rovers	a		7.00pm
Wed	4 May	Grimsby Town	h		7.00pm

PONTIN'S CENTRAL LEAGUE APPEARANCES

- 4- Barness, Illman, Kavanagh, Wright.
3- Barron, Oliver, Stamp, Todd,
2- Collett, Fleming, Ironside, McGargle, Mohan, Taylor,
1- Agiadis, Alderson, Forrester, Johnson, Norton, Richardson, White.

PONTIN'S CENTRAL LEAGUE GOALSCORERS

- 2- Illman.
1- Oliver

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FIRST TEAM FIXTURES

Date	V	Opposition	FA	Att.	Pos.
Aug 14	A	Notts County	3-2	9,392	-
Aug 21	H	Derby County	3-0	15,138	1st
Aug 24	A	Barnsley	4-1	10,597	1st
Aug 28	A	Wolverhampton W	3-2	21,061	1st
Aug 31	A	Grimsby T (Anglo Italian)	1-2	996	-
Sept 7	H	Barnsley (Anglo Italian)	3-0	5,173	-
Sept 11	A	Southend United	0-1	6,495	3rd
Sept 14	H	Stoke City	1-2	13,189	4th
Sept 18	H	Luton Town			
Sept 21	H	Brighton (C.C.C. Round 2(1))			
Sept 25	A	West Bromwich Albion			
Sept 29	H	Leicester City			
Oct 2	H	Birmingham City			
Oct 6	-	Coca Cola Cup Round 2(2)			
Oct 9	A	Watford			
Oct 17	H	Sunderland			
Oct 23	A	Millwall			
Oct 27	-	Coca Cola Cup Round 3			
Oct 30	H	Peterborough Un			
Nov 2	A	Portsmouth			
Nov 6	H	Bristol City			
Nov 13	A	Crystal Palace			
Nov 20	H	Bolton Wanderers			
Nov 27	H	Charlton Athletic			
Dec 1	-	Coca Cola Cup Round 4			
Dec 4	A	Bristol City			
Dec 11	A	Stoke City			
Dec 18	H	Notts County			
Dec 27	A	Nottingham Forest			
Dec 28	H	Tranmere Rovers			
Jan 1	A	Oxford United			
Jan 3	H	Grimsby Town			
Jan 8	-	FA Cup Round 3			
Jan 12	-	Coca Cola Cup Round 5			
Jan 15	A	Sunderland			
Jan 22	H	Watford			
Jan 29	-	FA Cup Round 4			
Feb 5	H	Millwall			
Feb 12	A	Peterborough United			
Feb 13	-	Coca Cola Cup SF(1)			
Feb 19	H	Barnsley (FA Cup R5)			
Feb 23	A	Derby County			
Feb 26	A	Leicester City			
Mar 5	H	Wolverhampton W			
Mar 12	A	Luton Town (FA Cup R6)			
Mar 15	H	Southend United			
Mar 19	H	West Bromwich A			
Mar 26	A	Birmingham City			
Mar 27	-	Coca Cola Cup Final			
Mar 29	A	Grimsby Town			
Apr 2	H	Nottingham Forest			
Apr 4	A	Tranmere Rovers			
Apr 9	H	Oxford U (FA Cup Semi)			
Apr 16	H	Portsmouth			
Apr 23	A	Bolton Wanderers			
Apr 30	H	Crystal Palace			
May 7	A	Charlton Athletic			
May 14	-	FA Cup Final			

Home Fixtures in **Bold** */** indicates player substituted

RESULTS — ATTENDANCES — APPEARANCES — GOALSCORERS

Pears	Morris	Liburd	Pollock	Kernaghan	Whyte	Hendrie	Hignett*	Wilkinson 1	Mustoe	Moore 2	Subs
Pears	Morris	Liburd	Pollock	Kernaghan 1	Whyte	Hendrie 1	Hignett	Wilkinson 1	Mustoe	Moore	Mohan/Fleming/Collett
Pears	Morris*	Liburd	Pollock	Kernaghan	Whyte	Hendrie 2	Hignett	Wilkinson	Mustoe	Moore 2	Mohan/Fleming/Collett
Pears	Morris	Liburd	Pollock 1	Kernaghan	Whyte	Hendrie 2	Hignett*	Wilkinson	Mustoe	Moore	Fleming/Mohan/Collett
Pears	Fleming	Barness	Kavanagh	Mohan	Whyte	Morris*	Mustoe**	Wilkinson	Hendrie 1	Wright	Pollock*/Hignett/Collett
Pears	Fleming	Liburd	Pollock	Mohan	Whyte	Hendrie 1	Hignett	Wilkinson 2	Mustoe**	Moore*	Wright/Stamp*/Collett
Pears	Morris	Liburd	Pollock	Kernaghan	Whyte	Hendrie	Hignett	Wilkinson	Mustoe	Moore	Fleming/Mohan/Collett
Pears	Morris	Liburd	Pollock	Kernaghan	Whyte	Hendrie	Hignett 1	Wilkinson	Mustoe*	Moore	Wright*/Mohan/Collett

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	P	W	D	L	F	A	W	D	L	F	A	Pt
1 Tranmere	7	3	0	0	8	2	1	2	1	3	4	14
2 Charlton	7	3	1	0	7	1	1	1	1	4	7	14
3 Crystal Palace	6	3	1	0	8	1	1	0	1	4	4	13
4 Boro	6	1	0	1	4	2	3	0	1	10	6	12
5 Southend	6	2	1	0	5	1	1	1	1	7	5	11
6 Leicester City	5	2	1	0	7	2	1	0	1	3	2	10
7 Derby County	6	3	0	0	8	0	0	1	2	1	7	10
8 Wolves	7	2	1	1	8	5	0	1	2	4	6	8
9 Birmingham City	6	1	1	1	7	6	1	1	1	4	4	8
10 West Brom	6	2	1	0	8	5	0	1	2	1	3	8
11 Notts Forest	6	1	1	0	6	4	1	1	2	3	5	8
12 Stoke City	6	1	0	2	3	4	1	2	0	6	5	8
13 Watford	6	1	1	1	3	4	1	1	1	6	6	8
14 Bolton	5	1	1	0	2	1	1	1	1	2	3	8
15 Grimsby	6	0	4	0	3	3	1	0	1	5	6	7
16 Barnsley	7	1	1	2	5	8	1	0	2	3	6	7
17 Notts County	5	2	0	1	4	3	0	1	1	2	4	7
18 Millwall	6	1	0	1	3	4	1	1	2	2	7	7
19 Oxford	5	2	0	1	9	7	0	0	2	1	4	6
20 Portsmouth	7	1	1	1	5	5	0	2	2	5	10	6
21 Bristol City	5	2	0	0	4	1	0	0	3	3	8	6
22 Peterboro	6	1	1	1	6	4	0	0	3	1	7	4
23 Sunderland	4	1	0	0	4	0	0	0	3	0	7	3
24 Luton	4	1	0	2	3	5	0	0	1	0	1	3

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LUTON TOWN

1	Steve Pears	SCOREBOARD	Juergen Sommer	13
2	Chris Morris		Julian James	4
3	Richard Liburd	Half Time Score	Marvin Johnson	3
4	Jamie Pollock	Full Time Score	Trevor Peake	5
5	Nicky Mohan	Scorers	John Dreyer	6
6	Derek Whyte	Bookings	Paul Telfer	7
7	John Hendrie	Sending Offs	Ceri Hughes	12
8	Craig Hignett	Corners	David Preece	10
9	Paul Wilkinson	Attendance	Scott Houghton	26
14	Robbie Mustoe		Kerry Dixon	22
17	Alan Moore		John Hartson	14
15	Curtis Fleming		Martin Williams	2
18	Graham Kavanagh		Scott Oakes	8
RG	Andy Collett		Andy Petterson	RG

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