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ON THE BALL WITH DAVID PLEAT



A warm welcome this evening to our visitors from Wolverhampton: their players, officials and supporters and a particularly warm welcome to their distinguished new manager Graham Taylor. Whilst he was at Watford, we built up a healthy rivalry which served as motivation to both clubs.

Whatever you achieve in management you should always be wiser for the experience. Graham has had a rough ride in some quarters for the disappointment of England's failure to qualify for the World Cup finals, but in the words of the old bard 'unless you've been there, you haven't a clue.'

We were all greatly disappointed by the result on Saturday in the semi-final. However, not for the reasons that many may consider. The achievement of staying with the game for six cup-ties in difficult conditions finally caught up with us and we lacked any threat come the big examination. The younger element must be better for the experience and if they have sound characters it will help their progress.

I never felt that Wembley was a sensible venue. There were constant distractions and other elements came into play. The pricing of the tickets was beyond what our supporters should be expected to pay. Strangely, we all felt as though we were going to take the game and the early indications when we dominated possession proved that our preparations had rid ourselves of the Wembley 'freeze'. But indecision on the first well-taken goal by Peacock slowed our stride and although we dominated much of the game until the last 20 minutes when Chelsea were dangerous, we did not threaten the strength and organisation of the Premiership team. We must accept the defeat whilst not forgetting the pride we

have given to our club. We must try and take all the positive points that came from our excellent cup run. I feel we have learned a lot about ourselves, about our players and, of course, about our staff. A big thank you to the ticket office who survived ten traumatic days.

It is interesting to note that Bolton, Wolves, Charlton, Oxford and Bristol City, who grabbed all the FA Cup glory with excellent performances to rid the competition of the bulk of the Premiership, appear to have faltered in the final quarter of the season. There was one very positive sign not suprisingly at Wembley when in the pre-match game our under-18's gained a good 2-0 win. Once again, it proved we rely on home development and sound coaching. We succumbed in the semi-final to the

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outstanding finishing of a player who cost them £1.25 million. We wish Chelsea every success in the final and thank all our marvellous supporters for giving us the backing so appreciated by us all.

Mark Burke's loan has been ended with Wolves recalling him to cover for injuries



David Preece battles for possession with Chelsea goal hero Gavin Peacock at Wembley on Saturday.

in the final month. With Martin Williams in plaster after a training injury and a heavy game load at both reserve and first team level between now and May 9, we may be stretched. Let us hope we can take some points quickly from the attractive run-in and give some opportunities to other young players. It is up front where we lack enough competition to give us alternatives and a striking total that would put the club in the upper reaches of the division. All the better sides have goal-scoring front partnerships and it is interesting to see the way Wolves have reacted to the injury to Steve Bull which disrupted his partnership with David Kelly, by loaning from Aston Villa £1.5 million signing Guy Whittingham who is doing well.

Enjoy the game this evening. Do not lose the faith. It is always galling to have a setback within sight of the ultimate goal. It has happened before and it will happen again. It is a part of the game and we have to recover from it. Thank-you for your support and also the support of tonight's match sponsors the University of Luton.

Gallant Hatters earn numerous plaudits as Cup dream ends



CHELSEA V LUTON TOWN: WHAT THE PAPERS SAID

The Hatters F.A. Cup dream finally ended beneath the Twin Towers at Wembley on Saturday. However, the side have earned the plaudits of the nation's fans and media alike on their momentous run this season. This point came across as Sunday's newspapers were opened...

The *Sunday Times* led the way in praising the brave Hatters when Deryk Brown stated: 'Hats off to Luton. The Bedfordshire club were by no means disgraced. The wonder was that Luton were here at all, with Premier League teams Newcastle and West Ham left broken in their wake. It was their fourth Wembley appearance in seven years, an achievement in itself.'

Of the game, Brown went on to say: 'The first half-hour was one of Luton corners, of Luton possession, but of Peacock's first goal.... David Pleat, the manager who had plotted the upsets in previous rounds, said that his men had still been confident at half-time, despite being 1-0 down. But the second goal was a real kick in the teeth and Preece and Harper were never allowed to dominate'.

Norman Fox in *The Independent* was equally as generous in his praise of the Hatters, and David Pleat in particular, when he commented: 'David Pleat keeps proving that he is a more accomplished manager than many who start with greater advantages. Simply by getting Luton past Newcastle and West Ham and into the last four was extraordinary. Earlier this season, somebody mentioned that this was the Chinese Year of the Dog. Pleat would not know that Luton would become the last to dog their pedigree chums.....'

Looking at the game in more detail, Joe Mellon reported in the *Mail on Sunday*: 'Luton began in a storm and were unfortunate that the former Chelsea hero Kerry Dixon should be denied the ecstatic emotion of a goal only by the positional sense and

bravery of Dmitri Kharine. But when Luton's endeavour and exuberance spilled over into illegal enthusiasm, they were forced to pay a heavy price. Telfer's tough challenge on Wise resulted in a Sinclair free-kick, leading to Peacock to strike with perfection into the bottom corner.

'Luton, continually practising the preaching of their manager Pleat in passing the ball with accuracy and perception often looked a threat.... The FA Cup ambitions of the gallant First Division side were finally laid as bare and as cold as the skinny streaker who was to follow the second strike from Peacock just two minutes after half-time.'

Brian Glanville has never been one to mince his words when he said in *The People*: 'Luton did well to reach the semi-final stage, but on the day were outclassed'. Maybe. Maybe not. But this has been a run to remember.

Who could forget Scott Oakes' hat-trick against West Ham? Or Tony Thorpe's thunderous effort at Newcastle? Or even Paul Telfer's sweeping winner against Southend in round three? The final word, therefore must go to Bob Harris in the *Sunday Mirror*, who finished his report by saying: 'There is no doubt that Pleat has enough talent in the likes of Linton, Telfer, Hughes, Oakes and Hartson for this to be the start rather than the end for them'.

This season's FA Cup had brought plenty of joy and a vast number of happy memories for Town fans. The achievement of reaching Wembley was tremendous. We wait with baited breath for next season...



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■ All our Endsleigh League Division One matches, which were previously postponed, have now been re-arranged. The new fixture dates are as follows: West Bromwich Albion (at home) will be played on Tuesday 3rd May, kick off 7.45 pm. Bolton Wanderers (away) will be played on Thursday 5th May, kick off 7.30 pm.

■ With these notes written prior to our F.A. Cup semi-final with Chelsea at Wembley, I am assuming that a result was obtained and tonight's fixture will proceed, thus avoiding the necessity to re-arrange yet another date.

■ Our South East Counties League youth game versus Tottenham Hotspur, which was due to be played on Saturday last (April 9), was postponed to enable our youth team to participate in a 15 minutes each-way game as pre-match entertainment, prior to the semi-final. No new date has been arranged for this fixture.

■ Finally, I would like to extend a word of thanks to our ticket office staff, both permanent and part-time, for all their hard and dedicated work during our FA Cup run. They have approached their task with patience and dedication despite their long hours. Having been in there on several occasions, I am not so sure that the old saying that "the customer is always right" is completely true. I am sure that there have been many times when they will have bitten their tongues in frustration rather than enter into a verbal confrontation.

■ The Bobbers Travel Club inform me that coaches for the trip to Wolves on April 23 will depart from Cranfield at 10.30 am and from Luton at 11.30 am, and will cost adults £6.50 and children/OAP's £5.20. For bookings, please contact Paul Deason on (0234) 750996.

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Let's hope for similar support tonight



CAPTAIN'S COLUMN BY TREVOR PEAKE

After our Cup exploits at Wembley on Saturday, it's time to concentrate on our league campaign. We want to finish as high as we possibly can to complete, what has been, a very exciting season for us all.

When I sat back and reflected on my FA Cup final appearance for Coventry City in 1987, I never expected to reach such highs again. However, Saturday's semi-final appearance came very, very close.

I felt so proud to lead a team out at Wembley and to see so many people supporting Luton Town was fabulous. That will probably stick with me more than the match itself. To see Luton Town fans smiling, cheering and enjoying themselves as our coach travelled to the ground, had all the players talking.

It brought back fine memories for all of us who had played at Wembley before. Kerry Dixon, John Dreyer, David Preece, Alan Harper



Kerry Dixon - passing on his valuable experience.

and myself were all able to pass on our experience to the younger members of the side. They looked apprehensive at the start of the day, but grew to enjoy the occasion. After all, playing at Wembley is the pinnacle to any player's career.

I am hoping many of those fans who went to the game will stick with us, and the crowd tonight will be an improvement on recent home games. We cannot over-emphasise how important the crowd can be, particularly at home.

Focussing on our league campaign is all-important now. Wolves will certainly give us a tough test and it is important that we pick ourselves up and last the full 90 minutes. They will be determined to impress the new boss Graham Taylor, and they probably believe that they have a chance of making the play-offs.

For us, a couple more league wins should see us safe. What we all want is to go into the congested fixture list at the end of the season, already assured of our place in the First Division next season.

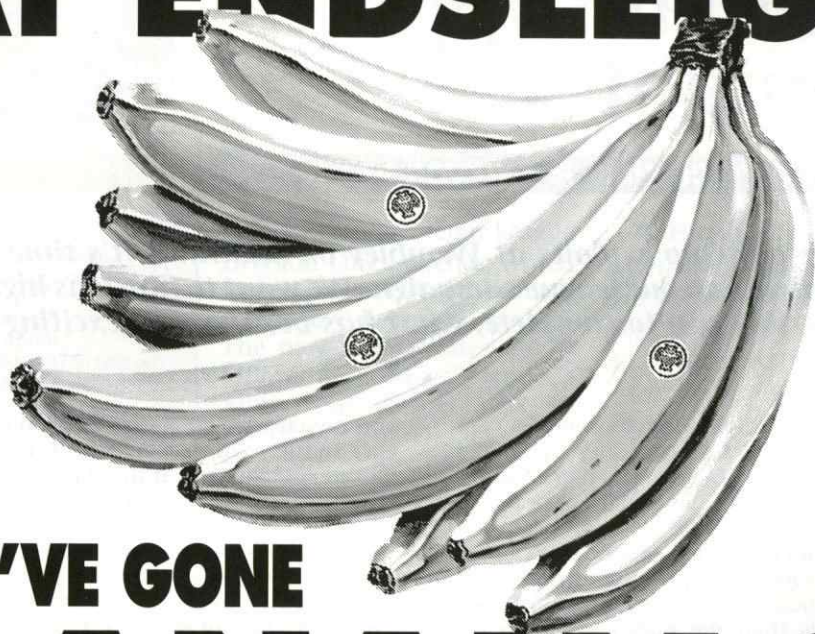
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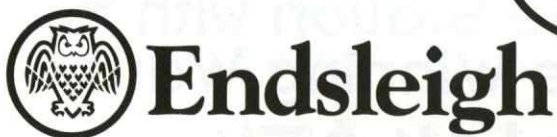
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Time to focus on our league campaign



AROUND THE TOWN

HATTERS COME BACK TO EARTH



After the intense excitement of our Wembley F.A. Cup semi-final appearance on Saturday, the Hatters must put all Cup talk out of their heads and concentrate on the league, says midfielder David Preece. "It is important to keep our momentum going," states Mini. "The Cup run has meant our fixture list is now congested for the final few weeks of the season. We could end up playing four games in a week, so it is important that we are free of the relegation struggle by then and do not have to worry. We probably need a couple more wins, and three points against Wolves would be a good start."

OWN UP, WHO FELL FOR IT?

Town fans flooded the Kenilworth Road switchboards last Friday, with the news on Chiltern Radio that the club had been thrown out of the F.A. Cup. David Kohler explained on air that West Ham would be in the semi-finals after they complained to the F.A. about the Kenilworth Road floodlights. Mr Kohler also stated that he would be having an interview with the Queen and Archbishop of Canterbury to enlist their

support. The callers to the club were thanked, and gently asked to note the date. It was April 1...

HOME FIXTURE NOW ARRANGED

Our home fixture with West Bromwich Albion has been re-arranged for Tuesday, May 3, kick-off 7.45 pm, following the Football League's approval last week.

PROGRAMME FAIR

We have been informed by The Football Programme Directory that the 20th International Programme Fair takes place at the Hotel Russell, Russell Square, London on Saturday, June 4, 1994. Admission is by ticket only and will cost 60p in advance or £1.60 at the door. (collectors under-16 - 60p). To order your ticket, please write to: The Editor & Events Organiser, The FPD, 66 Southend Road, Wickford, Essex SS11 8EN.

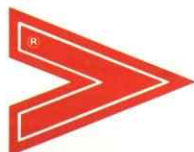
MEDIA MADNESS

Cup fever hit Kenilworth Road last Wednesday when over 50 guests from the media descended on the club for their Semi-Final previews. The blanket coverage the following morning certainly put the Hatters on the map!

TONIGHT'S REFEREE

Peter Foakes, from Clacton in Essex, is a schoolteacher by profession. He is married with two daughters and a son, and commenced refereeing in 1972 he progressed via the Colchester, Essex Senior and Football Combination Leagues, to the full League list in 1987.

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HATTERS ABROAD



Dear Sir,

The Luton Town message is spreading across Europe. Please find enclosed a picture taken of Bob Smith and myself outside the Atomium in Brussels last month. It was taken during our trip around Europe, in which we visited 12 countries by car in one week.

Good luck for the rest of the season.

Grant Boone, 16 Aycliffe Drive, Grove Hill, Hemel Hempstead, Herts HP2 6DE.

PRAISE FROM THE OPPOSING SIDE

Dear Sir,

As you can see from my address, I come from David Pleat's home town. Despite this, I have supported West Ham for many years and regularly attend matches.

So, after the relaxed, confident and skilful way Luton out-played the Hammers in the F.A. Cup, I thought I'd write to offer David my congratulations on the fine job he is doing. It's nice to know someone is trying to succeed by playing football.

It will be a pleasure to watch Luton Town play again.

Iain Potter, 7 Fletcher Road, Beeston, Nottingham NG9 2EL.

GREETINGS FROM THE STATES

Dear Sir,

I thought I would write to let you know that I am the player-manager of Luton Longshots, a

soccer club in Connecticut, USA. The team was founded by an ardent Luton fan twelve years ago. He has now returned home, but we continue to play under the name he christened us with.

We have had much success in our local leagues and plan to participate in the New York League next season.

We plan to tour London in September after the World Cup, and will be visiting Kenilworth Road to return to our roots!

Kind regards,

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Paul Telfer remains as calm as ever, as his opponents prepare to pounce.



John Hartson's header hits the post, but was followed up by Kerry Dixon for the Town's opening goal.



Hartson again causes confusion in the 'Posh' defence.

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BY CHERRY NEWBERY

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Tuesday, 19, 1994 - kick-off 7.45 pm

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Wolverhampton Wanderers v Luton Town

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Luton Town v Millwall

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Spotlight on tonight's visitors

WOLVERHAMPTON WANDERERS F.C. 1993-94

■ Wolverhampton Wanderers visit Kenilworth Road this evening in a last-gasp attempt to reach the First Division play-offs come the end of the season. All-in-all, it has been a disappointing season for the Molineux faithful, particularly after it began with such optimism following the big-money signings of David Kelly, Geoff Thomas and Kevin Keen. The final pieces appeared to be in place for a definite promotion push.

■ The expectations rose even higher following a 3-1 opening day victory against Bristol City. A draw at Birmingham City and a 2-0 victory against Millwall secured their place amongst the front-runners. However, they then slumped as dramatically as they had risen, winning only one of their next ten league matches. Fans called for manager Graham Turner's head and the media men jumped on the bandwagon as the side found themselves in the bottom six.

■ Serious knee injuries to leading goalscorer Steve Bull and club captain Geoff Thomas have not helped matters, but the season was kept alive thanks to a fine F.A. Cup run. Crystal Palace were defeated in round three (1-0), Port Vale in round

four (2-0) and Premiership Ipswich Town in round five (2-1 in a replay). Chelsea were all that stood between themselves and a place in a Wembley semi-final, but Glenn Hoddle's side triumphed 1-0, and Wolves were out. That result sparked the end of Graham Turner's rein at the club and another Graham, Taylor was appointed. A few Wolves fans have their doubts about the former England boss, but are hoping he can repeat the club form he showed at Watford and Aston Villa.

■ A play-off place can still be achieved, and Taylor will be hoping his side can build on their display in his first game in charge - a 3-1 win at Bolton Wanderers. With their impressive, new-look stadium now complete, the club are obviously geared towards the Premiership. And backed by the money of club president Jack Hayward, they have every chance. If promotion is missed this season, captain Thomas still urges the fans to remain patient. "It would be ideal to get promotion this season, but the most important thing for me is that I am at a club going in the right direction. I've signed a four year contract, and by the end of it I fully expect to be challenging the best teams on an equal footing."



Back row (left to right): Paul Cook, Mark Venus, Mike Stowell, Geoff Thomas, Paul Jones, Derek Mountfield, Darren Simkin.
Middle row (left to right): Steve Bull, Mark Burke, Paul Edwards, Tom Bennett, Paul Blades, David Kelly.
Front row (left to right): Mark Rankine, Kevin Keen, Gary Pendrey (coach), Graham Turner (ex-manager), Paul Darby (physio), Paul Birch, Kevin Ashley.

VISITORS ON PARADE

MIKE STOWELL (goalkeeper) - A former understudy to Neville Southall at Goodison Park, Mike was signed from Everton in July 1990. He had previously served Wolves on loan during 1988/89 and made the first-team spot his own last season after a long spell out with a knee injury.

ANDY THOMPSON (defender) - Andy started his career with West Bromwich Albion, but after failing to establish himself at The Hawthorns, moved to Molineux in 1986 for £35,000. He has made over 200 league appearances for Wolves and has won Division Four and Division Three honours with the club.

MARK VENUS (defender) - Mark started his career with his home-town club Hartlepool, before joining Leicester City in 1985. He moved to Molineux three years later, making his debut in a 1-0 win against Peterborough United.

PAUL BLADES (defender) - Paul started his career with Derby County, and made 166 appearances for the Rams before joining Norwich City for £700,000 in 1990. He joined Wolves in 1992-93 and has established himself at the heart of the defence.

PETER SHIRTLIFF (defender) - Peter joined Wolves from Sheffield Wednesday in August 1993. He started his career at Hillsborough before moving to Charlton Athletic. Three years and 102 league appearances later he returned to Wednesday for £500,000.

MARK RANKINE (midfield) - Signed from Doncaster Rovers for £70,000 in January 1992, Mark started his career at Everton and had a spell at Aston Villa, before his career took off at Belle Vue.

DARREN FERGUSON (midfield) - Darren joined Wolves from Manchester United earlier this season in a £500,000 deal. He made his debut for United in 1990-91, but failed to command a regular place in the side.

PAUL COOK (midfield) - Paul started his career with Marine but made his league bow with Wigan Athletic, where he became known for his goalscoring exploits from midfield. He signed for Norwich in 1988, but a year later he was on the move again - to Wolves - for £250,000.

PAUL BIRCH (midfield) - Paul made a name for himself in the Midlands with Aston Villa, where he made over 150 league appearances. He spent 11 seasons at Villa Park before moving to Molineux for £400,000 in February 1991.

KEVIN KEEN (midfield) - A £750,000 signing from West Ham United, Kevin joined the Hammers from school in 1984. An England youth international, he made over 200 appearances for the London club.

GUY WHITTINGHAM (forward) - Guy set the First Division alight last season with his record breaking goal haul for Portsmouth. Such form prompted a £1.5 million move to Aston Villa during the summer, although his career under Ron Atkinson has failed to materialise as yet. He was loaned to Wolves recently as cover for the injured Steve Bull.

DAVID KELLY (forward) - David began his career in the Midlands with Walsall, before joining West Ham United and Leicester City in quick succession. He joined Newcastle United in December 1991 and his goal haul fired the Magpies into the top-flight. He joined Wolves for £750,000 in June 1993.

CYRILLE REGIS (forward) - Cyrille joined Wolves on a free transfer in August 1993 from Aston Villa. He started his career in the Midlands with West Bromwich Albion in 1977 and also played for Coventry City, whom he joined from the Throstles for £300,000 in 1984.

MEET THE BOSS



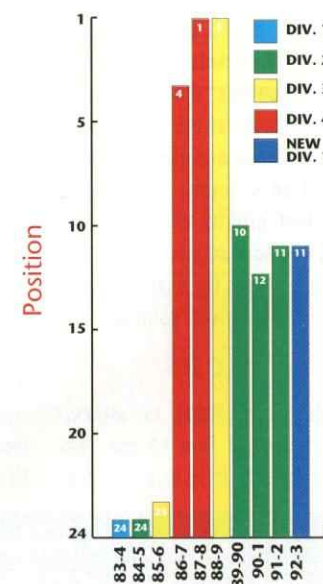
Graham Taylor started his Football League career as a full-back with Grimsby Town. He made 215 appearances for the club before moving on to Lincoln City in 1968, where he later become player/coach under David Herd. He was forced to retire from the game in 1972 due to a hip injury, but was shortly appointed the Imps' manager, where he remained until 1977.

That year he joined Watford, where he proved to be a resounding success, leading the club from the Fourth to the First Division in four years. In 1983 the club finished second behind Liverpool in the Division One table, and reached the FA Cup final a year later.

He had reached his peak with the club and felt a new challenge was needed. In 1987 he joined Aston Villa, whom he led to the runners-up spot in the First Division - again to Liverpool - in 1990.

Later that year he was appointed England boss, and led the country to the 1992 European Championships. However, its failure at leading England to the 1994 World Cup finals ultimately cost him his job. His club record cannot be faulted though, and he was appointed Wolves' manager last month, following the departure of Graham Turner.

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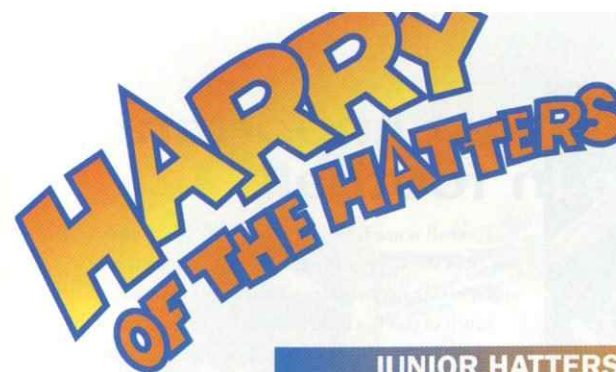
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We welcome the junior supporters of Wolverhampton Wanderers who have travelled to be with us tonight. We hope you enjoy your short stay at Kenilworth Road, and we look forward to seeing you again soon.

If you went to Wembley on Saturday, I hope you had a good time. Wasn't it great seeing so many Luton fans enjoying themselves, dressed up in blue and white? There was a real carnival atmosphere at the game and it was pleasing to see so many Junior Hatters enjoying themselves.

One particular Junior Hatter who I know enjoyed himself was Martyn Goodyear. He was our mascot for the day, having been chosen in a draw made by Ceri Hughes at our game with Peterborough United. "It was absolutely brilliant," said Martyn. "The noise of the crowd was really loud and to meet the team, particularly Ceri Hughes, was a dream come true. I will never forget the day, and I would like to thank Luton Town for making it all possible."

Remember, we will be at home again on Saturday when Crystal Palace are the visitors to Kenilworth Road. Why not visit our Saturday Club? From 11.30 am - 5.00 pm on home match Saturdays, the club is fully supervised and you can enjoy 5-a-side games, football coaching, table tennis, snooker, video games, films, lunch and a ticket to the match. The cost is only £5.00 or £3.00 for season ticket holders, so book now on (0582) 416976.

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David Preece
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JUNIOR HATTERS TRAVEL

Travel arrangements for the away game at Wolves are as follows:

23.4.94 Wolves - depart Kenilworth Road forecourt: 10.00 am
Arrive home approximately 6.30 pm.

Please note these times are subject to Junior Hatters playing football against Wolves in the morning of the game.

The price for all matches this season has been fixed at £5.00 for Junior Hatters and £8.00 for accompanying adults (price includes ticket for the match). Booking and payment can be made via the Ticket Office up to four days prior to the match.

JUNIOR HATTERS' BIRTHDAYS THIS MONTH

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THE LAST TIME WE MET AT KENILWORTH ROAD

Wolves striker Steve Bull struck a controversial equaliser when the two sides met at Kenilworth Road last April. Until then, the Hatters looked likely of achieving their first league double of the season, thanks to Philip Gray's 19th goal of the season in the 52nd minute.

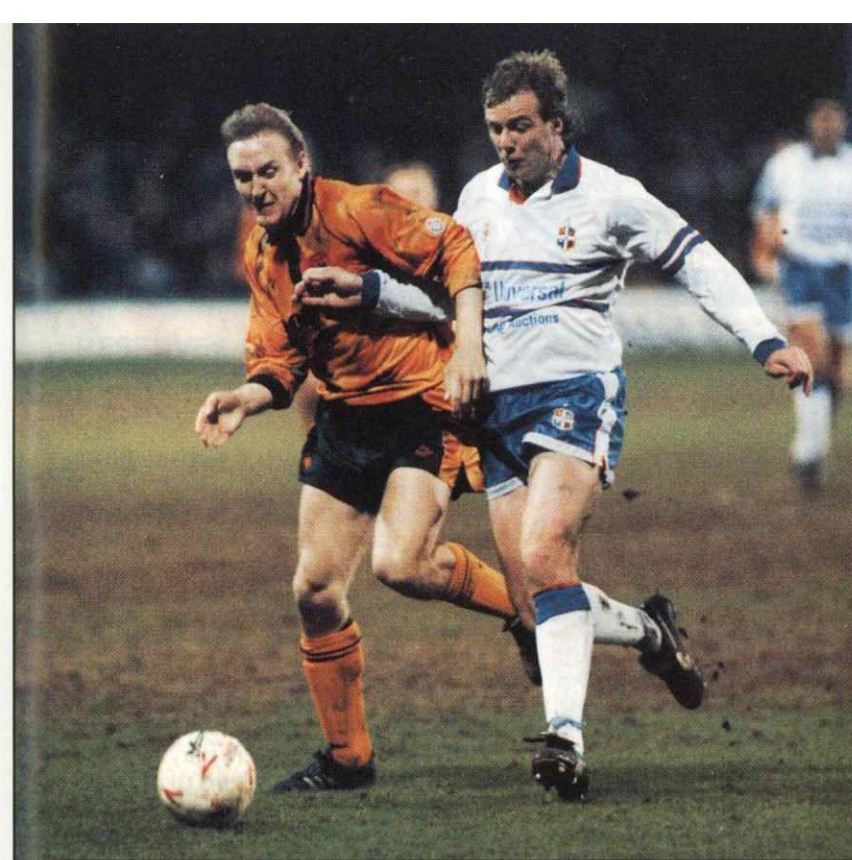
However, Bull appeared to push John Dreyer on his way to netting the equaliser ten minutes from time, which left the Town players and supporters bitterly incensed. Said manager David Pleat after the match: "John claims he was fouled by Bull which led to his clear run at goal, and the decision looked debatable to say the least. I thought we deserved more than a point but Mike Stowell was outstanding on occasions."

The Wolves keeper definitely kept his side in the game with important saves from Kerry Dixon (top) in the opening two minutes, Gray on either side of half-time, and a Julian James (below) drive which he managed to tip over.

Town team: Chamberlain, Dreyer, James, Johnson, Rees (Telfer), Peake, Kamara, Oakes, Dixon, Gray, Preece (Williams).

Wolves team: Stowell, Simkin, Venus, Downing, Mountfield, Blades, Rankine, Cook, Bull (Thompson), Mutch, Dennison.

Attendance: 7,948.





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Wed	25 Aug	Queens Park Rangers	4-2
Wed	1 Sept	Watford	5-1
Wed	8 Sept	Wimbledon	1-1
Thu	16 Sept	Norwich City	2-3
Wed	22 Sept	Tottenham Hotspur	1-2
Mon	27 Sept	Langford (BPC)	2-1
Wed	29 Sept	Oxford United	4-3
Wed	6 Oct	Portsmouth	4-2
Wed	13 Oct	Swindon Town	2-1
Tue	19 Oct	Watford	2-4
Wed	27 Oct	Southampton	1-3
Mon	1 Nov	Queens Park Rangers	1-3
Wed	10 Nov	Southampton	1-1
Wed	17 Nov	Arsenal	1-1
Wed	24 Nov	Portsmouth	0-1
Mon	29 Nov	Oxford United	0-4
Fri	3 Dec	Crystal Palace	0-1
Mon	6 Dec	Stotfold (BPC2)	1-0
Tue	14 Dec	Arsenal	3-2
Fri	17 Dec	Norwich City	1-4
Mon	17 Jan	Barton Rovers (BPC3)	1-0
Wed	19 Jan	Bristol Rovers	1-0
Mon	24 Jan	Chelsea	1-5
Wed	2 Feb	Ipswich Town	2-2
Wed	9 Feb	Brighton & Hove Albion	1-1
Mon	21 Feb	Millwall	1-2
Thu	3 Mar	Ipswich Town	2-3
Tue	8 Mar	West Ham United	0-1
Wed	16 Mar	Bristol Rovers	1-2
Wed	23 Mar	Millwall	2-0
Mon	28 Mar	Charlton Athletic	0-0
Tue	5 Apr	Crystal Palace	0-0
Thu	7 Apr	Bedford Town (BPCF1)	P-P
Tue	12 Apr	Bristol City	
Wed	13 Apr	Bedford Town (BPCF2)	
Mon	18 Apr	Swindon Town	
Sat	23 Apr	Tottenham Hotspur	
Thur	25 Apr	Wimbledon	
Thur	28 Apr	Chelsea	
Mon	2 May	Bristol City	
Wed	4 May	Charlton Athletic	

Neville Ovenden Football Combination League Table

(up to and including 2.4.94)

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Chelsea	31	20	7	4	67	33	67
Ipswich Town	30	16	5	9	60	43	53
Southampton	32	14	9	9	54	53	51
Swindon Town	29	15	2	12	41	36	47
Bristol Rovers	30	12	11	7	42	39	47
West Ham United	26	12	8	6	41	28	44
Norwich City	30	12	7	11	51	46	43
Tottenham Hotspur	27	12	6	9	49	29	42
Crystal Palace	30	11	9	10	41	36	42
Millwall	30	11	8	11	47	52	41
Wimbledon	29	10	11	8	33	37	41
Q.P.R.	28	11	5	12	39	41	38
Arsenal	31	11	5	15	53	57	38
Oxford United	32	9	9	14	48	53	36
Portsmouth	31	8	10	13	37	48	34
LUTON TOWN	29	9	6	14	48	55	33
Brighton & H.A.	26	7	8	11	28	29	29
Charlton Athletic	26	9	3	15	38	45	27
Bristol City	28	6	7	15	30	62	25
Watford	27	6	6	15	35	57	24

RESERVES

BETTER FINISHING WOULD HAVE GUARANTEED THE POINTS

Charlton Athletic 0
Luton Town 0
Neville Ovenden Football
Combination,
Monday, March 28, 1994

The single point gained against lowly Charlton could have been even better if the Hatters had their goalscoring boots on. Mark Burke was one of the guilty party, having been put through on goal four times, and coach Wayne Turner believes the result could have been so different if just one of those chances were put away.

"Mark had some great chances and if he could have put one of them away we would have won the game," he explained. "We continued to play with one up front, which was a policy which brought us plenty of success against Millwall. It again was successful but, like I said, for the finishing we

would have won.

"We have been slightly concerned with Scott Houghton, who has been playing with a slight injury. But he did so well for us against Millwall, that we played him in this game, which, in hindsight, may not have been the best thing to do."

Looking at the last few games, Turner has been happy with the application, if not the results. He added: "We have been playing well in the second half of the season, but the results have not matched up. That has been disappointing for us all, but we have had to contend with many obstacles, including injuries and non-availability of players. However, Some of the YTS lads have done extremely well, with players like Matthew Woolgar and Ben Chenery most impressive."

Team : Petterson, Philp, Rioch, Rees, Skelton, Campbell, Woolgar, Thorpe, Burke, Aunger, Houghton.
Subs: Ryan, Simpson.



Matthew Woolgar.....has come in and impressed Turner



.....likewise Ben Chenery.

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BY WAYNE TURNER
AND TERRY WESTLEY

RESERVES FIRE A BLANK AGAINST STRONG EAGLES

Crystal Palace 0
Luton Town 0
Neville Ovenden Football
Combination,
Tuesday, April 5, 1994

Plough Lane played host to the second successive 0-0 draw for Town's reserves, against a strong Palace line-up. Regular first teamers David Whyte and Paul Mortimer filled the striking role for the Eagles as Luton's young defence held out for a good point, that looked unlikely at half-time.

With Palace looking for big money to part with David Whyte, it was an excellent Town defensive display to keep a clean sheet, as Turner explained: "They never had a single shot at Andy Petterson in the first-half, so at the break I was obviously very happy to be level."

"I was delighted that my young defence kept out the two Palace front men who



Scott Houghton.....tormented Palace after the break.



Andy Petterson.....a quiet first-half.

are good strong players," enthused Turner whose back four's average age was just 18.

"In the second-half I pushed Scott Houghton forward and his pace troubled them to the point that in the end we could have snatched a win."

Turner hopes the successes of the senior side can inspire his youngsters as the season comes to a close. "It can only inspire them that the first team are doing so well and in a year's time or so, they may want to be a part of that," he added. "Unfortunately, when the first team have been playing the cup we have also had a game, but the publicity the club is getting can only spur my lads on to get to that level."

Team: Petterson, Jukes, Rioch, Skelton, Simpson, Philp, Woolgar, Rees, Burke, Campbell, Houghton, Subs: Ryan, Issott.

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South East Counties League Division Two Season 1993-94

Sat 14 Aug	Swindon Town	1-1
Sat 21 Aug	Crystal Palace	1-1
Sat 28 Aug	Reading	1-2
Sat 4 Sept	Wimbledon	1-0
Sat 11 Sept	Tottenham Hotspur	0-1
Wed 15 Sept	West Ham United (SJFC1)	1-1
Sat 18 Sept	Charlton Athletic (SECLC1)	3-1
Sat 25 Sept	Brighton & Hove Albion	2-3
Sat 2 Oct	Oxford United	1-1
Mon 11 Oct	West Ham United (SJFC1R)	3-1
Sat 16 Oct	Brentford	1-1
Sat 23 Oct	Chelsea (SECLC2)	2-5
Tue 26 Oct	Derby County (FAYC1)	1-1
Sat 30 Oct	Bournemouth	2-1
Thu 4 Nov	Cambridge City (EJC1)	4-1
Sat 6 Nov	Southampton	2-1
Sat 13 Nov	Colchester United	5-3
Tue 16 Nov	Derby County (FAYC1R)	1-1
Sat 20 Nov	Bristol Rovers	1-0
Tue 23 Nov	Arsenal (SJFC2)	1-2
Wed 1 Dec	Derby County (FAYC1, 2R)	0-1
Sat 4 Dec	Bristol Rovers	0-5
Sat 11 Dec	Swindon Town	2-0
Sat 18 Dec	Crystal Palace	2-1
Sat 1 Jan	Reading	2-1
Sat 22 Jan	Brighton & Hove Albion	1-4
Sat 29 Jan	Oxford United	1-4
Sat 5 Feb	Bristol City	4-0
Mon 7 Feb	East Thurrock (EJC2)	2-1
Sat 12 Feb	Brentford	1-4
Sat 19 Feb	Bournemouth	3-2
Sat 26 Feb	Southampton	1-2
Sat 5 Mar	Colchester United	3-0
Sat 12 Mar	Bristol City	1-5
Sat 26 Mar	Wimbledon	1-2
Sat 9 Apr	Tottenham	
Thu 21 Apr	Cambridge United (EJC0F)	

South East Counties League Division Two Table

(up to and including 26.3.94)

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Swindon Town	23	12	6	5	41	22	30
Crystal Palace	22	12	5	5	46	28	29
Wimbledon	24	14	1	9	59	43	29
Brentford	25	10	8	7	40	32	28
Oxford United	23	11	5	7	44	33	27
LUTON TOWN	25	11	4	10	40	45	26
Brighton & H.A.	24	9	6	9	35	40	24
Reading	20	7	9	4	30	25	23
Bristol Rovers	24	9	5	10	40	43	23
Southampton	23	7	6	10	26	27	20
Colchester United	26	6	7	13	33	55	19
Bournemouth	24	8	2	14	36	49	18
Tottenham Hotspur	23	7	3	13	31	44	17
Bristol City	22	5	5	12	27	42	15

Kerry Dixon: shooting the Hatters to safety



PLAYER INTERVIEW

With a quick look at the Town's league scoring charts, the name Kerry Dixon leads the way. Despite the inevitable focus on him and the FA Cup semi-final against Chelsea, Kerry is firmly focused on securing the Hatter's league status for next season.

Journalists, cameramen and reporters were all heading in Kerry Dixon's direction at Wembley on Saturday. He was the man of the moment, facing Chelsea, the club he had enjoyed so much success with in the mid-eighties.

It was an intense occasion for the Luton-born striker, playing only his first F.A. Cup semi-final. But now the dust has settled a little, and the Hatters leading striker can return to league action with the aim of shooting the Town to a comfortable First Division position.

His intent was made very clear in our last league game at Kenilworth Road against Peterborough United. A thunderous volley on the edge of the box, allied with a first-half tap-in, put Kerry at the top of the Town's league scoring charts, and he aims to end the season with a flourish.

"That has to be my aim and I am confident enough to fulfil it," said Kerry. "Recent goals have been a bonus for me and have helped ease our immediate relegations worries, but hopefully there is more to come."

Kerry has been helped in no small part by the service he has received since the turn of the year. This has coincided with the Hatters' improved league form and fine F.A. Cup run. It is testament to the pattern the team plays, that Kerry is finding the net again.

"We have been creating plenty of chances down both flanks, through Paul Telfer and Ceri Hughes, and it was put into practice for all to see against Peterborough. Paul supplied a fine ball for my second and it would have been wrong for me not to finish it off. I caught the ball sweet and it just flew in."

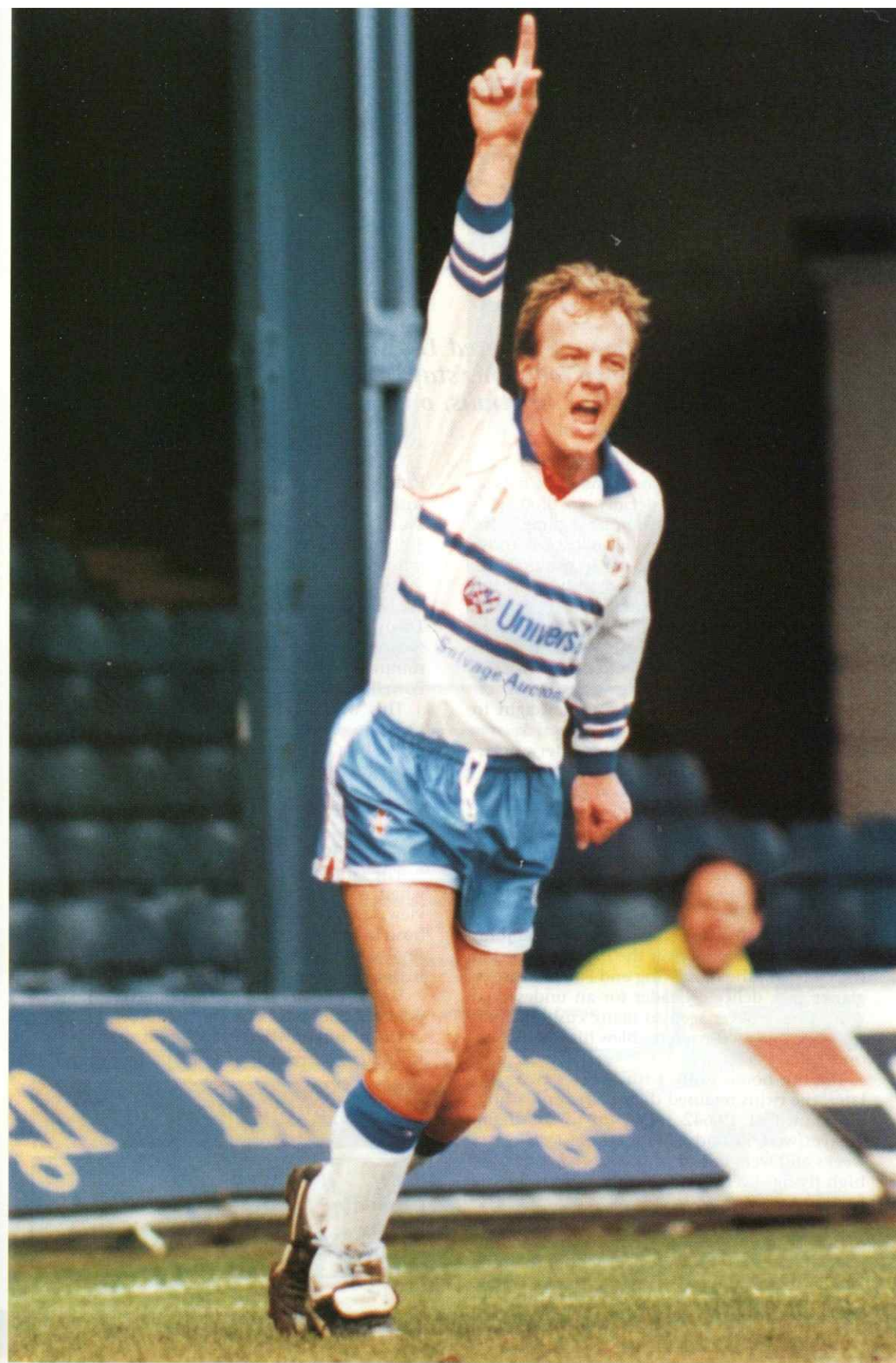
'Spectacular' is an adjective used on many occasions this season to describe Kerry's goals. He appears to save his best for the home supporters, but at this stage of the season, it doesn't matter how or where they go in from.

"With the FA Cup involvement, our league performances have tapered off in recent weeks and we still need a couple of wins to be happy," he stated. "All the players know how important it is to secure our league status for next season, and if that means scraping the ball home, then so be it. We have got to consolidate our position this season so we can make a determined play-off push for next term."

Kerry knows how relegation feels from his time at Chelsea, and such experience is vital to the Hatters. At the other end of the scale, fellow striker John Hartson has only started learning. The 19-year-old has also made a telling contribution in recent weeks and owes much of his success to one man...You've guessed it, Mr Dixon.

"People have said Kerry and myself cannot play in the same team because we are similar, but I don't see it that way. We have been successful when we have played together and he has helped me no end. Having someone with so much experience has been a great help to me."

So, the bets are on. Who will finish the Town's leading First Division scorer at the end of the season? Oakes, Hughes, Telfer and Hartson are all in with a shout, but the clever money is on Dixon. We will have to wait and see...



Enter the Futchers twins



BACK TRACKING BY ROGER WASH

When the Town re-entered Division One in 1974, hopes were obviously high for a long stay in the top-flight. But in the weeks leading up to Christmas, only nine points had been gained and things looked bleak.

On December 7, in the away game at Chelsea, manager Harry Haslam decided to blood 18-year-old Paul Futchers, a summer signing from Chester. Although the match was lost 2-0, those of us who were there saw a star in the making, as young Paul played as if he had been in the heart of the Luton defence for years.

Goalscoring was a problem and in a desperate bid to increase the strike tally, Haslam introduced Paul's twin brother Ron to the fray for the match at league leaders Ipswich Town on Boxing Day. Ron, signed as a makeweight to keep his brother from feeling homesick, was drafted in to replace Adrian Alston after surprising the manager by scoring 22 reserve goals.

The top versus bottom clash at Portman Road was, quite frankly, a poor affair as the Town put up the shutters in an attempt to frustrate their opponents. Luckily, Ipswich had an off day and spectators were streaming out long before the end, fed up with the endless backpassing of the Luton defenders.

With only 30 seconds left, Luton winger John Aston, in a rare foray over the half-line, crossed the ball from the right wing and Futchers rose to glance in a delicate header for an undeserved win. I have never seen so many cushions rain on a pitch when the referee blew his whistle seconds later!

For the home game with Wolves two days later, the twins retained their places and a holiday crowd of 19,642 rolled up to see them. Wolves were in mid-table, had not lost for six weeks and were full of confidence after beating high-flying Everton at Molineux on Boxing Day.

Wolves took the lead, slightly against the run of play in the 23rd minute, when Francis Munro headed home a John Farley corner but then the Futchers twins took over. Not for the first time,

Paul found his brother with amazing accuracy with a long ball out of defence and sidestepping Munro, Ron drove firmly into the net in the 38th minute. Six minutes later he headed in John Aston's centre for the second.

With Aston showing the ability to beat Wolves right-back Nigel Williams with ease, the Town took the game to their opponents in the second-half and it came as a shock, and summed up the season so far, when Barry Powell equalised in the 68th minute.

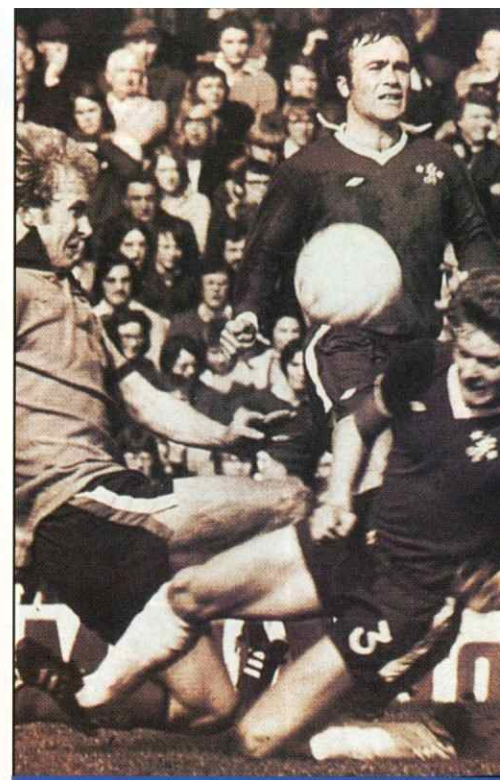
This would normally have been a time for heads to drop but the cavalier football, which was to be a feature for the rest of the season, was now the name of the game. Attacks rained in on the Wolves defence while at the other end Paul, with a mixture of genuine skill and heart-stopping cheek, kept John Richards and Steve Kindon at bay.

The climax came five minutes from the end when Alan West, the best midfield player on view, centered for the inevitable Ron Futchers to head home. The crowd went wild and when the final whistle was blown, the scenes were reminiscent of a cup final win.

Harry Haslam had been doubted when he paid out the massive sum of £100,000 for two virtually unknown teenagers but, as so often was the case, he had the last laugh.

Previous Encounters

	P	W	D	L	F	A
Home	9	6	1	2	20	11
Away	9	4	1	4	17	23
Total	10	10	6	2	37	34



Ron Futchers made an immediate impact with his brother Paul in Harry Haslam's side.

DOWN THE YEARS

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It was back to Wembley again as the Town took on Nottingham Forest in the Littlewoods Cup Final. Unfortunately, we went down 3-1 in a disappointing game after holding a half-time lead. (9.4.89).

10

A cracking goal from Garry Parker was all we had to show from a 2-1 defeat at Tottenham Hotspur, watched by a crowd of 25,390. (14.4.84).

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In a tense relegation struggle at Kenilworth Road, the Town shared the spoils with Millwall in a 2-2 draw. David Moss, back after a long spell out with injury, scored both Luton goals. (14.4.79).

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A large Luton following boosted the crowd at Oxford to a best-of-season 13,464. Unfortunately, they were unable to raise the players who managed only a 1-1 draw in a lethargic performance. (12.4.74).

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THE VISITORS' BOSS: GRAHAM TAYLOR

He may have had his critics with England, but Graham Taylor's record in club management speaks for itself. Just ask the supporters of Watford and Aston Villa. He has now been given the opportunity of injecting some of that 'old magic' into Wolverhampton Wanderers and he is determined to succeed.

Following England's failure to reach this summer's World Cup finals in the United States, many pundits questioned whether any league clubs would risk taking Graham Taylor on board. The word 'failure' went hand in glove with Mr Taylor in those dark, dark days following England's qualifying games in Holland and San Marino. He was a commodity nobody seemed to want.

However, behind that smoke-screen, existed a top-quality Football League manager. After all, taking Watford from the Fourth to second in the First Division within the space of four years, and leading Aston Villa to a similar position, is no mean feat. Make no mistake, Graham Taylor has real ability at this level.

It was no surprise, therefore, when Wolves supremo Sir Jack Hayward opted for Taylor to lead his club back into top-flight football last month. Wolves are a massive club. They need the Premiership...and fast.

It has been a shot in the arm for Taylor, who now has another chance to prove his worth. "There are only a handful of clubs I would have come back into football with, and Wolves are most definitely one of those clubs," he said. "I flew back from a working holiday in Spain to take the job, but I'd have walked back from Spain if it were possible."

Two wins and a defeat, at the time of writing, still leave Wolves in with a chance of achieving their goal this season. You would think the criticism Taylor had to deal with, after his England

rein came to an end, would have deterred him from stepping into football circles again, but nothing could be further from the truth.

"The England experience has hardened me," he stated. "If it hadn't, I probably wouldn't have come back. When you get treatment like that, the easy thing would be to stay away. I have gained valuable experience during the last four years, and I am sure Wolves will benefit from that."

Taylor has the full financial backing of the Hayward family to achieve his goal, and looks at Blackburn for inspiration and, inevitably, comparison.

"I look at Blackburn two years ago, when they had fallen out of things, and then they won at Plymouth on the last day to scrape into the last play-off place," he stated. "They won the play-offs and now look at them."

"I want Wolves to follow a similar pattern. I know it is a long shot this season, but with the confidence and belief which I have seen

already, it is not an impossible task. I have been to the very top of my profession and I know what is needed here."

For Taylor and Wolves, the final few games will be like cup finals, if the club are to progress this season. Added Taylor: "The one thing I got experience of is managing in Cup finals - I have managed 38 of them," he said, referring to his spell with England. "I know I can keep my nerve, and the players must follow suit."



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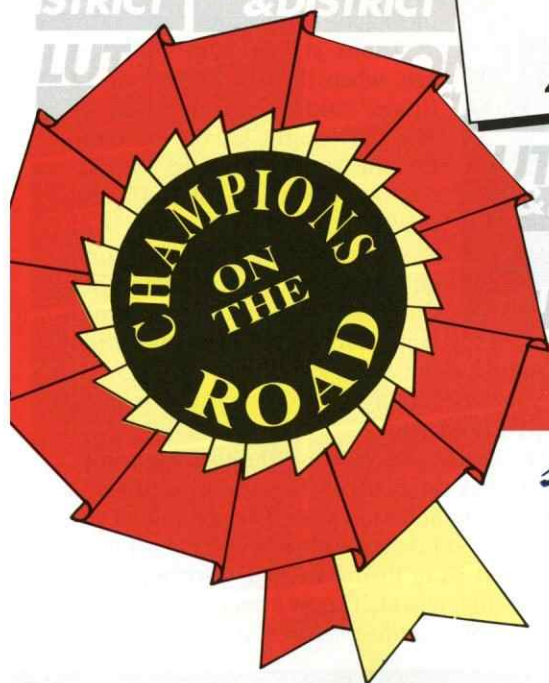
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Cup success allied with league failure

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NEWS ON ONE BY KEVIN PALMER

Luton have led the way for the Cup giant-killers this season, but the main problems for the 'cup minnows' this year has been beating teams from their own league.

First division clubs have destroyed the opposition in the major cup competitions, but those same clubs have failed to recapture their giant-killing form in the league. Wolves, Bristol City, Bolton, Portsmouth and Oxford all enjoyed memorable victories in this, the year of the underdog.

Out of the five only tonight's opponents Wolves are still in the promotion hunt just a few points off a play-off place, but the others find themselves fighting a rearguard action. Bolton, who disposed of Everton, Arsenal and Aston Villa in this year's FA Cup are in free-fall down the table with manager Bruce Rioch determined to avoid the relegation dogfight. "Its time for us to roll our sleeves up. The players are aware of how I feel about the situation and some of them are playing for their contracts," fumed Rioch.

The same story can be seen at Oxford who disposed of mighty Leeds in a shock fourth round victory at Elland Road. Oxford find themselves back in the bottom three despite a recent 4-0 win over Wolves.

When Bristol City beat Liverpool at Anfield back in January, the departure of Graham Souness overshadowed what was a memorable victory for yet another struggling Endsleigh League club.

Cup hero at Anfield Brian Tinnion has since suffered a decline in health as well as form with him being forced to have blood tests to uncover a mystery illness. "Its frightening because all I have done is play games and sleep for the last few weeks, no training, nothing. I'm goosed all the time," explained Tinnion.

Portsmouth enjoyed success in both domestic cup competitions, but they now find themselves sliding down the league after a run of

poor results. Draws away against England's top two teams, Manchester United and Blackburn, mean little in the battle for points in the Endsleigh League with manager Jim Smith anxious to halt the slide.

"We had success in the cup, but that goes for nothing in the League. The cups are great, but promotion has to be your main aim at the start of the year and we are struggling at the moment." Smith will be hoping new signing Gerry Creaney will replace Paul Walsh. This year's transfer deadline day proved to be one of the busiest and most expensive in recent years

with over five million pounds changing hands with Darren Peacock's move from Q.P.R. to Newcastle the biggest move at £2.7million.

In the Endsleigh League, Mark Blake's move from Portsmouth to Leicester topped the list with £360,00 changing hands for the striker.

One other interesting move was Clive Allen's £75,00 switch from West Ham to Millwall. That's Allen's seventh London club and with Charlton

expressing an interest to sign the former England international it may not be his last move.

The year has proved that cup victories and success in the league do not automatically follow on, but table-topping Crystal Palace manager Alan Smith sums up what a tough division this has been:

"You need a bit of extra quality to be successful in this league where every game is like a cup tie." If the cup giantkillers saw every game in the same light as the Palace boss, the table may have been turned on its head.



Oxford turn on the style against Leeds. But it has been a different story for United in Division One.

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Aug 17	Cambridge United (CCC(1))	0-1	4,085	-	Sommer	James	Johnson	Oakes	Peake	Dreyer	Hughes	Preece	Telfer	(Oakes)	Benjamin	Houghton	Campbell	Peterson
Aug 21	Portsmouth	0-1	12,248	16	Sommer	James	Johnson	Peake	Dreyer	Teller	Hughes	Preece	(Oakes)	(Williams)	Dixon	Houghton	Benjamin	Peterson
Aug 24	Cambridge United (CCC(2))	0-1	3,861	-	Sommer	(Williams)	Johnson	James	Peake	Dreyer	Benjamin	Preece	Hughes	HARTSON	Houghton	(Oakes)	(Hartson)	Peterson
Aug 28	Nottingham Forest	1-2	9,788	22	Sommer	Williams	Peake	Dreyer	Johnson	(Teller)	Preece	PREECE	(Houghton)	(Dixon)	Hartson	(Williams)	(Rees)	Peterson
Aug 31	Watford (AIC)	1-2	2,854	-	Sommer	James	Johnson	Peake	Dreyer	Teller	Hughes	Preece	Houghton	DIXON	(Hartson)	(Greene)	(Woodgar)	Peterson
Sep 7	Southend United (AIC)	1-1	1,823	-	Sommer	(James)	Peake	(Dreyer)	Johnson	Williams	Hughes	Preece	Houghton	Dixon	(Hartson)	(Williams)	(Williams)	Peterson
Sep 11	Bolton Wanderers	0-2	7,199	24	Sommer	(James)	Peake	Dreyer	Johnson	Teller	Hughes	Preece	Harper	Oakes	BENJAMIN	(Williams)	(Hartson)	Peterson
Sep 14	Tranmere Rovers	1-4	5,871	24	Sommer	Teller	Peake	Dreyer	Johnson	(Rees)	Hughes	Preece	Harper	Oakes	(Benjamin)	(James)	(Hartson)	Peterson
Sep 18	Middlesbrough	0-0	12,487	23	Sommer	Peake	Peake	Dreyer	Johnson	(Rees)	Hughes	Preece	Harper	Oakes	(Benjamin)	(James)	(Hartson)	Peterson
Sep 25	Birmingham City	1-1	11,081	23	Sommer	Johnson	James	Peake	Dreyer	TELFER	Hughes	Preece	Harper	Hartson	Harper	(Williams)	Campbell	Peterson
Oct 2	Barnsley	0-2	6,201	21	Sommer	Williams	Johnson	James	Peake	Dreyer	Teller	Oakes	Hughes	Hartson	Harper	(Williams)	Campbell	Peterson
Oct 5	Bristol City	5-0	5,956	21	Sommer	Williams	Johnson	Peake	Dreyer	Teller	Oakes	Hughes	Hartson	Harper	(DICKOV)	(Williams)	Campbell	Peterson
Oct 9	Derby County	1-2	15,885	24	Sommer	Linton	Johnson	Peake	Dreyer	Teller	Oakes	Hughes	Hartson	Harper	(DICKOV)	(Williams)	Campbell	Peterson
Oct 16	Notts County	1-0	6,366	21	Sommer	Linton	Johnson	Peake	Dreyer	Teller	Oakes	Hughes	Hartson	Harper	Dickov	(Oakes)	Campbell	Peterson
Oct 20	Sunderland	0-2	13,760	23	Sommer	Linton	Johnson	Peake	Dreyer	Teller	HUGHES	Oakes	Harper	Dixon	AUNGER	(Campbell)	(Dickov)	Peterson
Oct 23	Oxford United	1-0	5,161	19	Sommer	Linton	Peake	Peake	Dreyer	Teller	HUGHES	Oakes	Harper	Dixon	(Aunger)	(Williams)	(Dickov)	Peterson
Oct 30	Leicester City	0-2	8,813	21	Sommer	Linton	Peake	Dreyer	Teller	TELFER	Oakes	Hughes	Harper	Dixon	Harper	(Williams)	(Dickov)	Peterson
Nov 7	Crystal Palace	2-3	10,925	21	Sommer	Peake	Johnson	Peake	Dreyer	Linton	DIXON	Houghton	Harper	Aunger	Thomas	(Dickov)	(Campbell)	Peterson
Nov 13	Charlton Athletic	1-0	6,327	18	Sommer	Peake	Dreyer	Peake	(Hughes)	OAKES	HUGHES	Harper	Rees	Rees	Dickov	(HARTSON)	(Thorpe)	Davis
Nov 27	Southend United	1-2	7,384	16	Sommer	Linton	Thomas	Peake	Campbell	OAKES	HUGHES	Harper	Rees	Dixon	(Dickov)	(Telfer)	(Hartson)	Peterson
Dec 4	Stoke City	6-2	7,384	17	Sommer	Linton	Thomas	Peake	Campbell	OAKES	HUGHES	Harper	Rees	Dixon	(Dickov)	(Telfer)	(Hartson)	Peterson
Dec 11	Charlton Athletic	0-1	7,121	17	Sommer	Linton	Thomas	Peake	Campbell	Teller	Preece	Hughes	Harper	Dixon	(Dickov)	(Oakes)	(Hartson)	Peterson
Dec 19	Tranmere Rovers	2-2	7,567	21	Sommer	Linton	Thomas	Peake	Dreyer	(Teller)	(Oakes)	PREECE	Hughes	Harper	Dixon	(Dickov)	(Houghton)	Peterson
Dec 27	Peterborough United	0-0	9,522	20	Sommer	Linton	Thomas	Peake	Dreyer	Houghton	Teller	Hughes	Harper	Harper	Dixon	(James)	(Dickov)	Peterson
Dec 29	Grimsby Town	2-1	7,234	18	Sommer	Linton	Thomas	Peake	Dreyer	Teller	(Oakes)	PREECE	Hughes	Harper	Dixon	(James)	(Dickov)	Peterson
Jan 1	West Bromwich Albion	1-1	16,138	19	Sommer	Linton	Thomas	Peake	Dreyer	Teller	Hughes	Harper	Harper	Harper	Dixon	(James)	(Dickov)	Peterson
Jan 15	Notts County	1-1	6,589	17	Sommer	Linton	James	Peake	Dreyer	Teller	Hughes	Harper	Harper	Harper	Dixon	(James)	(Dickov)	Peterson
Jan 18	Southend United (FAC3)	1-0	7,953	17	Sommer	Linton	James	Peake	Dreyer	Teller	Hughes	Harper	Harper	Harper	Dixon	(James)	(Dickov)	Peterson
Jan 22	Derby County	2-1	9,371	17	Sommer	Linton	James	Peake	Dreyer	TELFER	OAKES	Hughes	Harper	Harper	Dixon	(James)	(Dickov)	Peterson
Jan 29	Newcastle United (FAC4)	1-1	32,216	-	Sommer	Linton	James	Peake	Dreyer	TELFER	OAKES	Hughes	Harper	Harper	Dixon	(James)	(Dickov)	Peterson
Feb 5	Oxford United	3-0	7,366	17	Sommer	(Linton)	James	Peake	Dreyer	Teller	OAKES	Hughes	Harper	Harper	Dixon	(James)	(Dickov)	Peterson
Feb 9	Newcastle United (FAC4R) 7.45 pm	2-0	12,503	-	Sommer	Linton	James	Peake	Dreyer	Teller	OAKES	Hughes	Harper	Harper	Dixon	(James)	(Dickov)	Peterson
Feb 15	Leicester City	1-2	16,149	-	Sommer	Linton	JAMES	Peake	Dreyer	Teller	OAKES	Hughes	Harper	Harper	Dixon	(James)	(Dickov)	Peterson
Feb 20	Cardiff City (FAC5)	2-1	17,296	-	Sommer	Linton	James	Peake	Dreyer	Teller	OAKES	Hughes	Harper	Harper	Dixon	(James)	(Dickov)	Peterson
Feb 22	Portsmouth	4-1	6,533	17	Sommer	Linton	James	Peake	Dreyer	TELFER	OAKES	HUGHES	PREECE	Harper	(Hartson)	(Dixon)	(Thorpe)	Peterson
Feb 26	Sunderland	2-1	9,367	14	Sommer	Linton	James	Peake	Dreyer	Teller	OAKES	HUGHES	PREECE	Harper	Dixon	(Hartson)	(Thorpe)	Peterson
Mar 5	Nottingham Forest	0-2	22,249	16	Sommer	Linton	James	Peake	Dreyer	Teller	OAKES	HUGHES	PREECE	Harper	Dixon	(Hartson)	(Thorpe)	Peterson
Mar 8	Middlesbrough	1-1	6,741	15	Sommer	(Linton)	James	Greene	DREYER (pen)	Teller	(Burke)	Hughes	Preece	Harper	Dixon	(Williams)	(Hartson)	Peterson
Mar 14	West Ham United (FAC6)	0-0	27,331	-	Sommer	Linton	James	Greene	Dreyer	Teller	(Oakes)	Hughes	Preece	Harper	(Dixon)	(Burke)	(Hartson)	Peterson
Mar 19	Birmingham City	1-1	7,690	18	Peterson	Linton	James	Peake	Dreyer	TELFER	OAKES 3	Hughes	Preece	Harper	(Hartson)	(Burke)	(Williams)	Peterson
Mar 23	West Ham United (FAC6R)	3-2	13,166	-	Sommer	Linton	James	Peake	Dreyer	Teller	OAKES	Hughes	Preece	Harper	Dixon	(Hartson)	(Thorne)	Peterson
Mar 26	Barnsley	0-1	6,289	18	Sommer	Williams	James	Peake	Dreyer	Teller	OAKES	Hughes	Preece	Harper	(Hartson)	(Thorne)	(Thorne)	Peterson
Mar 30	Millwall	2-2	9,235	19	Sommer	Williams	Thomas	Peake	DREYER	Teller	OAKES	Hughes	Preece	Harper	(Hartson)	(Thorne)	(Thorne)	Peterson
Apr 2	Peterborough United	2-0	8,383	17	Sommer	James	Thomas	Peake	Dreyer	Teller	OAKES	Hughes	Preece	Harper	DIXON 2	(Campbell)	(Rees)	Peterson
Apr 4	Grimsby Town	0-2	5,542	18	Sommer	Linton	Thomas	Peake	Dreyer	Teller	(Rees)	Hughes	Preece	Aunger	(Harper)	(Campbell)	(Campbell)	Peterson
Apr 9	Chelsea (FAC5F) at Wembley	0-2	59,989	-	Sommer	(Linton)	James	Peake	Dreyer	Teller	Oakes	Hughes	Preece	Harper	Dixon	(Hartson)	Thomas	Peterson
Apr 12	Wolverhampton Wanderers 7.45pm	0-2																
Apr 16	Crystal Palace																	
Apr 19	Bristol City 7.45 pm																	
Apr 23	Wolverhampton Wanderers																	
Apr 26	Millwall 7.45 pm																	
Apr 30	Southend United																	
May 3	West Bromwich Albion 7.45 pm																	
May 5	Bolton Wanderers 7.30 pm																	
May 8	Stoke City																	

Endsleigh Insurance League Division One Table 1993-94

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts	Av. Att	Leading League Goalscorers
Crystal Palace	42	24	9	9	68	42	81	19,864	Armstrong 22, Salako 8, Southgate 8
Nottingham Forest	40	20	11	9	63	42	71	22,773	Collymore 15, Gemmill 8
Leicester City	40	18	11	11	65	3	65	15,300	Speedie 12, Joachim 9
Notts County	40	20	4	16	60	61	64	8,158	McSwegan 13, Draper 11
Millwall	39	17	13	9	51	43	64	9,449	Rae 12, Verveer 5, Moralee 5
Derby County	40	18	9	13	64	59	63	15,966	Gabbiadini 13, Pemberton 10, Johnson 10
Tranmere Rovers	40	18	8	14	58	45	62	6,512	Aldridge 17, Brannan 9
Middlesbrough	40	15	13	12	51	43	58	10,918	Moore 9, Wilkinson 9, Hendrie 8
Stoke City	41	16	10	15	50	56	58	16,194	Olygsson 8, Curruthers 5
Charlton Athletic	39	17	7	15	48	42	58	10,361	Nelson 10, Pardew 9
Wolverhampton W	39	14	15	10	53	42	57	24,772	Bull 13, Kelly 10
Grimsby Town	40	13	16	11	50	43	55	5,359	Mendonca 13, Groves 9
Portsmouth	41	14	13	14	50	53	55	10,027	Creaney 9, Durnin 6, McLoughlin 6
Bristol City	40	14	13	13	38	43	55	6,854	Allison 15, three on five goals
Sunderland	39	16	6	17	44	48	54	17,190	Gray 12, Goodman 7, Russell 7
Southend United	41	15	7	19	56	59	52	4,253	Otto 11, Jones 6
Bolton Wanderers	39	12	12	15	50	53	48	11,558	McGinlay 17, Coyle 7
LUTON TOWN	37	13	8	16	48	47	47	8,019	Dixon 9, Oakes 7
Barnsley	39	13	7	19	49	57	46	7,643	Redfern 12, Payton 9
West Bromwich Albion	39	11	11	17	51	56	44	15,969	Taylor 15, Hunt 12
Watford	41	11	8	22	58	79	41	8,120	Furlong 13, Porter 9
Oxford United	40	11	8	21	45	66	41	7,494	Cusack 6, Beauchamp 5, Dyer 5
Birmingham City	41	10	8	21	41	63	40	13,949	Saville 9, Pescholdo 8
Peterborough United	41	8	13	20	42	58	37	8,128	Adcock 10, Iorfa 8

(up to and including 10.4.94)

Luton Town F.C. Appearances and Goalscorers 1993-94

	League	C C Cup	AI Cup	FA Cup
	Apps	Gls	Apps	Gls
Geoff Auger	4	1	-	-
Ian Benjamin	2(1)	1	-	-
Mark Burke	2(1)	-	-	-
Jamie Campbell	4(11)	-	-	-
Paul Dickov	8(7)	1	-	-
Kerry Dixon	23(1)	9	-	-
John Dreyer	34	3	-	-
David Greene	3	-	-	-
Alan Harper	31(1)	1	-	-
John Hartson	16(10)	4	-	-
Scott Houghton	6(8)	1	-	-
Ceri Hughes	33	6	-	-
Julian James	20(4)	2	-	-
Marvin Johnson	17	-	-	-
Des Linton	25(1)	-	-	-
Scott Oakes	27(3)	7	-	-
Trevor Peake	33	-	-	-
Andy Petterson	1(2)	-	-	-
David Preece	21	3	-	-
Jason Rees	8(2)	-	-	-
Juergen Sommer	36	-	-	-
Paul Telfer	35(1)	6	-	-
Tony Thorpe	1(5)	1	-	-
Mitchell Thomas	12(1)	1	-	-
Martin Williams	5(1)	1	-	-
Matthew Woolgar	-	-	-	-

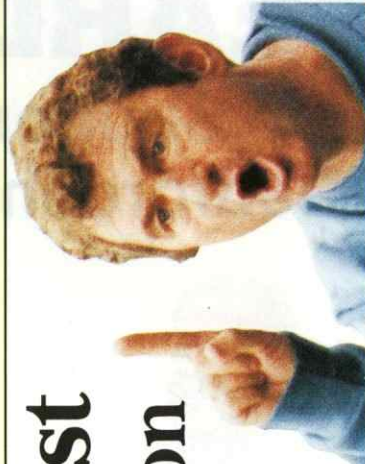


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