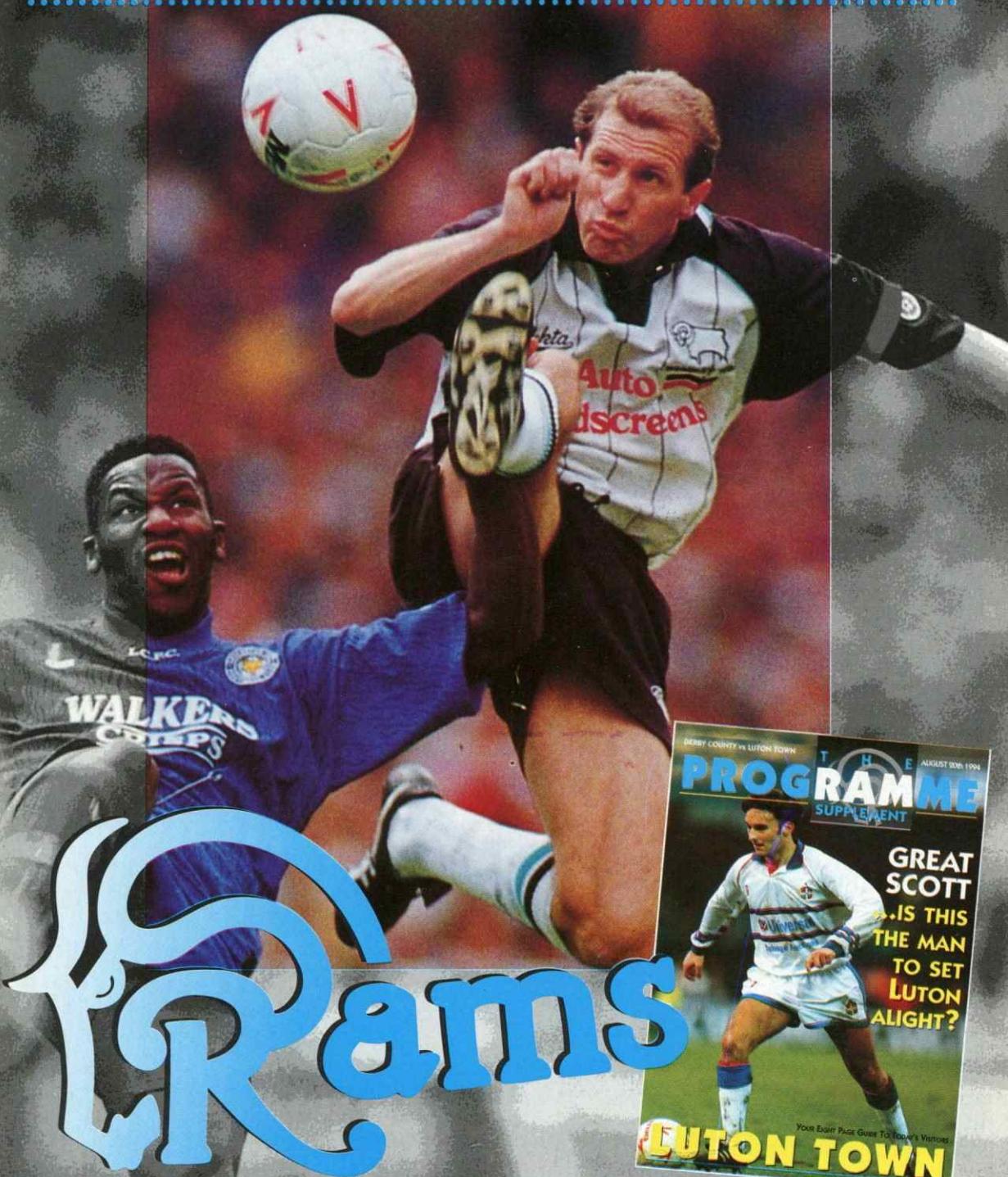


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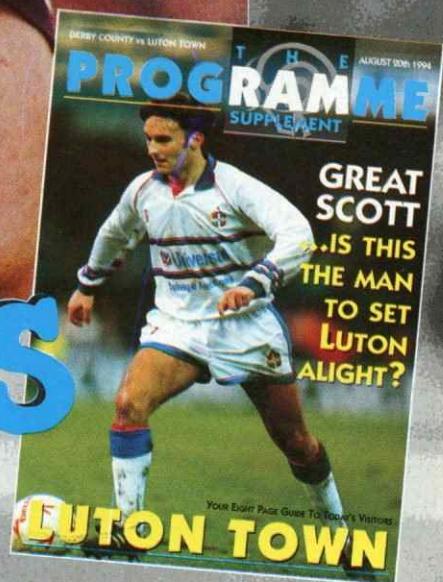
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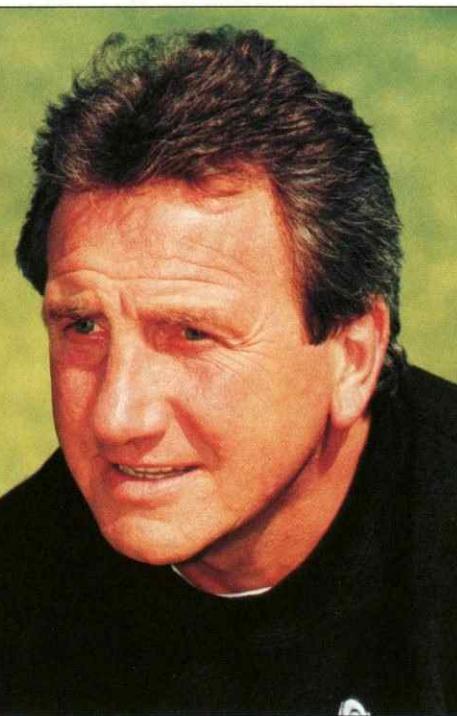
Welcome back to the Baseball Ground as we kick-off our home programme this afternoon. This ground seems to come alive when supporters are in it, but, in the summer, it can be a very quiet place to work.

Mind you, it seems like only last week that I was penning my notes for the play-off programme against Millwall, and even less time since the disappointment of the final defeat at Wembley.

Without doubt it has been the shortest close season break that I can remember, but in a way that is perhaps no bad thing. I don't want anyone to feel sorry for themselves over what happened last May, but while the memories are still fresh, the incentive to go one better this season is still strong.

Wembley is history now of course, but we can learn from the experience - and we can certainly learn by taking a leaf out of Leicester City's book.

I've mentioned Leicester to the players a few times during pre-season because the determination and character



they showed in bouncing back from two previous play-off defeats is an example I would like us to carry through.

The summer may have been a short one but that has not stopped a near constant stream of transfer speculation.

***"We can learn by taking a leaf out of Leicester City's book this season."***

Nothing has happened as yet, therefore it is important that we all get on with working for Derby County and earning promotion this time around.

That aim was not helped by the result at Barnsley last weekend and certainly a defeat was not the kind of start we wanted to the season.

We did not play anything like what we are capable of, yet we still created enough chances to have got something out of the game. But for a couple of unforced errors, we would have taken all of the points.

Our trip to Oakwell showed us - not that we needed reminding - that there are going to be no easy games this season. This is a very competitive division to get out of, as we have learned over the last couple of seasons.

However, I fully believe that our experiences from the final three months of last season will stand us in good stead. A lot of good things happened during that time and, now that the whole squad is just that little bit wiser, things can grow from here.

I welcome David Pleat and his Luton side to the Baseball Ground today. I remember two very hard games with them last season and I'm expecting nothing less today, although I am looking forward to having our first points on the board by this evening.

Thank you for the support you gave us at Barnsley last weekend, I hope those who travelled get their rewards today.

### ON THE PITCH...

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### A NEW RAMS MAGAZINE

Thank you for buying our new 40-page matchday magazine - we think you'll like it. Rams is now two publications in one - turn to the centre for the Programme Supplement, an eight page guide to today's opponents Luton Town.

### OFF THE PITCH...

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THE RAMS pre-season tour to Norway - designated a complete success on the team's return earlier this month - has suddenly lost some of its gloss.

For news came through earlier this week that Marco Gabbiadini, shown a red card during the 4-0 win over Ullensaker Kisa on the trip, has been handed a three match ban for his indiscretion.

Marco, who was ordered off after retaliating to the persistent rough treatment he was receiving, was shell-shocked when the official notification came through on Tuesday morning. He will now have to sit out next weekend's trip to Millwall, plus our next two home games against Middlesbrough and Grimsby Town.

"I was a little bit worried about the consequences of being sent-off in a pre-season friendly but, having never been in this position before, I didn't know how it would effect us. I had my fingers crossed that nothing would come through," said Marco last week.

"Now it has and I've got the full three match ban. I suppose it's more fool me for getting involved in the first place but it does seem very harsh considering the



circumstances.

"Maybe if the referee had been a little bit stricter early on in the game then I'd like to think that I would not have got involved.

"But I'm not the kind of player that can accept the things that were going on - I'm not saying that I retaliate as a matter of course, but I am a very physical player."

Marco has probably fallen victim to the new, stricter guidelines to referees over dealing with foul play but, while on the one hand he can have no argument against his suspension, he does feel there should be more consistency.

For example, three Everton players were shown red cards during their pre-season tour but, as

none of them were reported to the authorities, they have all escaped suspensions.

"As a player who is now going to miss three very important games for an incident in a match against an amateur side watched by 150 people I do feel that the punishment should be handed out to everyone who has been sent off during pre-season games," added Marco.

However, other than the Marco dismissal, the tour of Norway was a great success with the team unbeaten in their five games; winning three and drawing the other two.

Goals flew in - 17 were netted in all - and were scored by nine different players. Every member of the 19 man squad played a part.

THE MAN WHO helped to bring Martin Taylor and Paul Williams to Derby County is back at the Baseball Ground.

Ron Jukes, who was the Rams' chief scout in the mid eighties, returned to the Baseball Ground last month to once again oversee the club's scouting network, as Roy McFarland reshuffled his back room staff. Ron, who is in his 38th season as a football scout, takes the title of chief scout, with Alan Durban now promoted to assistant to the manager in recognition of the more managerial role he often played last season.

## RON RETURNS IN BACKROOM RESHUFFLE

Ron's appointment followed Jimmy Sirrel's departure from the scouting staff after seven years at the Baseball Ground. The former Notts County manager, now in his seventies, did not want full-time employment any more and left the club by mutual consent.

## PLAYERS IN AND PLAYERS OUT...

THE WHIRL of transfer market activity predicted by soccer pundits following our defeat in the play-off final never materialised during the summer.

The only two players to be sold during the close season were from the reserve pool; Martyn Chalk and Richard Goulooze. Both players were at the end of their contracts and, although both were offered fresh terms, they decided their future lay elsewhere.

Martyn, who joined the Rams on the same day as Mick Harford in 1990, opted to sign for Second Division Stockport County for a fee of around £40,000 while Richard chose to return to his native Holland by joining Cambuur Leeuwarden for £60,000.

Three other senior players left the staff at the end of last season. Kevin Ratcliffe, who signed a short term contract with us, is now player coach at Chester City, while Justin Phillips and Mel Sage are still looking for another club - both having had trials with several teams during the summer.

JOHN HARKES, whose contribution to the USA national team has helped put the country on the soccer map, would be prepared to play in the new American professional football league... But not just yet.

John, who starred for the States during the summer's World Cup finals, is looking forward to the formation of the new Major League next April and claims he would consider playing in it later in his career.

"If the league becomes established I would consider playing over there," confirmed

John Harkes reckons the new American soccer league could be something to shout about.



John. "I think everybody wants to play in their own country and for me, being a professional in America would be an ideal situation.

"But we will have to wait and see if the new league takes off first. It looks likely that it will have 12 franchises for the start of the first season next Spring and I'm sure it will do well in the first year.

"Then we'll see if the interest drops. There is talk that the

## FIXTURES 94-95

Sat	Aug 13	Barnsley
Sat	Aug 20	Luton Town
Wed	Aug 24	Ancona (AIC)
Sat	Aug 27	Millwall
Wed	Aug 31	Middlesbrough
Sat	Sep 3	Grimsby Town
Tue	Sep 6	Cesena (AIC)
Sat	Sep 10	Swindon Town
Tue	Sep 13	Bristol City
Sat	Sep 17	Oldham Athletic
Wed	Sep 21	CCC 2(1)
Sat	Sep 24	Stoke City
Wed	Sep 28	CCC 2(2)
Sat	Oct 1	Bolton Wanderers
Wed	Oct 5	Piacenza (AIC)
Sat	Oct 8	Watford
Sat	Oct 15	Southend United
Sat	Oct 22	Notts County
Wed	Oct 26	CCC 3
Sat	Oct 29	Charlton Ath
Wed	Nov 2	Reading
Sat	Nov 5	Portsmouth
Sat	Nov 12	Sheffield United
Tue	Nov 15	Udine (AIC)
Sat	Nov 19	Port Vale
Sat	Nov 26	Wolves
Sat	Dec 3	Notts County
Sat	Dec 10	Luton Town
Sat	Dec 17	Barnsley
Mon	Dec 26	Tranmere Rovers
Tue	Dec 27	Burnley
Sat	Dec 31	Sunderland
Mon	Jan 2	WBA
Sat	Jan 7	FAC 3
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Sat	Jan 21	Portsmouth
Sat	Jan 28	FAC 4
Sat	Feb 4	Sheffield United
Sat	Feb 11	Reading
Sat	Feb 18	Wolves
Tue	Feb 21	Port Vale
Sat	Feb 25	Bolton Wand's
Sat	Mar 4	Stoke City
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Sat	Apr 22	WBA
Sat	Apr 29	Southend United
Sat	May 6	Watford
Sat	May 20	FA Cup Final



## RAMS 94-95

DERBY COUNTY vs LUTON TOWN

BACK ROW: Jason Kavanagh, Darren Wassall, Michael Forsyth, Craig Short, Paul Williams, Shane Nicholson, Martin Kuhl.  
 MIDDLE: Billy McEwan (coach), Alan Durban (assistant to manager), Steve Hayward, Mark Stallard, Martin Taylor, Steve Sutton, Tommy Johnson, John Harkes, Gary Charles, Gordon Guthrie (physio).  
 FRONT: Dean Sturridge, Paul Simpson, Marco Gabbiadini, Roy McFarland (manager), Gordon Cowans, Paul Kitson, Mark Pembridge

# RAMS IN ACTION

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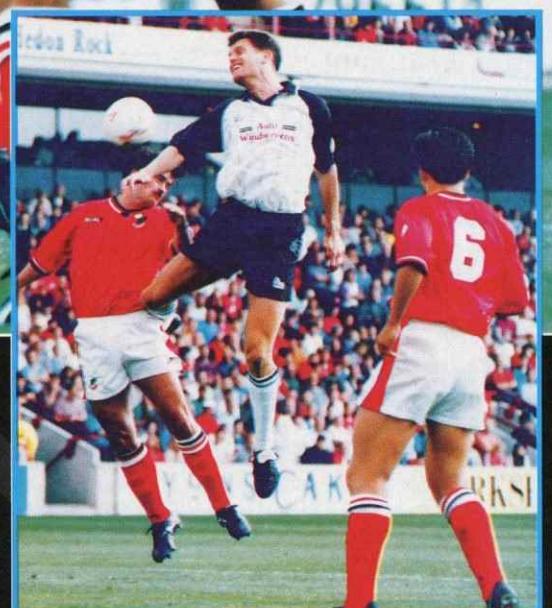


**M**ORE THAN 4,000 Rams fans reached for the map of South Yorkshire and headed for Barnsley last weekend... But they all returned disappointed. For the Rams kicked off the season with a rusty performance and a defeat, although the team still created enough chances to have turned the 2-1 reverse into a comfortable win. Even before Andy Rammell's early brace had put the

Tykes - harshly tipped by the bookies for relegation this year - into the driving seat Mark Pembrey had burst through only to be denied by the Barnsley keeper. Paul Kitson showed more of his silky skills with a superb turn and 20 yard shot that whistled just past the post and new skipper Gordon Cowans was also unlucky. But the only breakthrough for Derby came on the half hour when a Pem free-kick blasted through a crowded

area slipped though Watson's fingers and into the net. That seemed to set up a second half onslaught, but it never materialised and Barnsley held firm to ensure Danny Wilson's player-manager's career started with three points.

*Derby team: Taylor; Charles, Forsyth (Harkes), Hayward, Short, Williams, Cowans (Wassall), Gabbiadini, Kitson, Pembrey, Simpson.  
Sub not used: Sutton.*



# RAMS IN ACTION

**I**F THE CLOSE-SEASON just passed had been like most of the previous ten close seasons in English football, Paul Williams would not have been a Derby County player now.

If it hadn't been for the Taylor Report implementation deadline, if it hadn't been for the World Cup sparking clubs to bring in foreign players or if there hadn't been a general recession in football, Paul would have been showing his considerable talents in the top flight this year.

But the summer that has just drifted by wasn't like any other in recent times, and because of that Premier League clubs passed up the chance to acquire the Burton-on-Trent born defender at a bargain price.

A contractual clause offered Paul the chance to join a Premiership side for a fee fixed at around £1million in the event of the Rams failing to win promotion last season.

To all those who saw him play in the second half of last season it seemed certain that one of the big boys would snap him up at that price, but for some reason they didn't. Their loss is Derby's gain and certainly Roy McFarland's smile was never broader than on the day after the clause had elapsed.

But the one person who doesn't appear to have been caught up with all the speculation over Josie's future is the player himself. Throughout the summer he had the air of a gambler knowing that he had a two headed coin in his pocket.

"When I signed the contract, I was in the position of winning on two fronts," admitted Paul. "Either I would be in the Premiership or I would be with the club that is very special to me."

"Of course, I would have liked to have been playing in the Premiership with Derby County this season but when that didn't happen, the club honoured my clause and circulated my name."

"A few clubs came in but the manager did his best to keep me here -



which is alright by me because I really like it here and I think we can get things together at the Baseball Ground.

"Some people may have seen the situation and interpreted as me wanting to get away from here, but that is not the case at all. The reason why the clause was there in the first place was because I am ambitious and want to play at as a high a level as possible as soon as possible and for as long as possible."

"It is every player's ambition to play in the Premiership - or if it isn't they shouldn't be in professional football - and on that score I'm disappointed that I'm not there now. I'd have enjoyed the challenge of the Premier, but I'm certainly not unhappy to be with Derby County."

"The perfect scenario will be to get up this season with the Rams. I like it here, I've been with the club throughout my career and, only three months ago, I

bought a new house in the area, so people can see I intend to see this through."

Had Paul been sold during the summer, it would have been interesting whether he would have been a Premiership defender or midfielder right now. For while he accepts that his future seems to lie in the back four, he can't unhook himself from his midfield addiction.

Every sage in the game that saw him play at the end of last season earmarked him for great things as a defender, but Paul is still a little reluctant in the role he took on in an emergency.

"My heart says midfield, my head says defence," summed up Paul. "As I have said, I want to go as far as possible in football and common sense says I'll probably get further as a defender."

"But I always like a training session or two in midfield. I like it there - I enjoy

being involved and seeing things happen."

"I'm still playing off the cuff a little bit in defence but I'm learning the game as I go along. Being a midfielder has helped me a lot because it teaches you where the opposition want to put the ball, but I need to learn the subtleties of defending now. You can only get that through experience but I have had to think twice about when to tackle and when just to jockey - and the new interpretations of the rules make it even harder."

"I do see my future at the back though and, to be fair, I'm really quite enjoying it. It's certainly very nice to be recognised and to get the reviews I did last season. A lot of people spoke to me during the summer and said that I could go a long way playing at the back, and I don't like to argue!"

And going a long way is just what Josie wants to do.

## THE BASEBALL GROUND FILE

**Name:** Paul Williams

**Born:** Burton (26.3.71)

**Position:**

Defender

**Rams Record:**

135 starting plus 10 substitute appearances and 28 goals.



**A few of my favourite things...**

**...food:** Chicken and rice

**...car:** BMW M3 (Or Mick Forsyth's 'taxi')

**...film:** Any Eddie Murphy film

**...music:** Jungle, Ragga, Reggae, Soul

**...shirt:** The club's dress shirt

**...haircut:** Dean Sturridge's George Forman cut

**...advert:** Walls sausages

**Josie**

**John Harkes**

**John Barnes**

**Michael Jordan**

**Best moment in football:**

Winning my first England cap and scoring a hat-trick.

**Worst moment in football:**

Losing in the play-off final to Leicester last May.

**Funniest moment in football:**

Seeing Martin Taylor disappear into the crowd at Charlton

**What do you remember of your debut:**

My heart racing when Arthur Cox told me I was going on.

**What is your room-mate's worst habit:**

Gary Charles has no bad habits. He is Derby's 'Mr Clean'.

**Do you have any superstitions:**

I'm always the last person on to the field.

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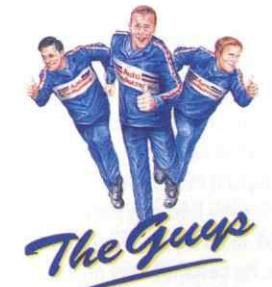
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## THE YOUTH SCENE



**RAMS YOUTH TEAM 1994-95**

**E**VEN BEFORE the first team kicked-off their Endsleigh League campaign at Barnsley last Saturday the Rams youth team had tucked away the first points in their bid to retain the Midland Youth League title.

The boys' morning game at Walsall, their first league game of the season, had ended even before the senior side had started their warm-up, and the youngsters got the 1994-95 campaign off to a perfect start with a 2-0 victory.

But youth coaches Richie Williams and Steve Taylor have warned supporters not to expect too much from the Rams' under-18 side - they know that last year's title winning side is going to be a hard act to follow.

"We badly want to do well again," commented Richie, "But in no way do either Steve or myself want to put the wrong kind of pressure on developing youngsters and, quite often, a youth team tends to develop in two year cycles.

"But we have had an interesting pre-season build up, with games against Chelsea, Rotherham and Doncaster and it has been good to see the new intake

of boys settling in so well.

"There have been some encouraging signs already. Steve Owen, a skillful left sided player from Ilkeston, has made a good impression and he, along with Neil Broadhurst, Shaun Murphy and Duane Brown contributed well to our win at Walsall.

"What was most pleasing was the manner in which the lads who played such a big part in our success last year helped the new lads along. That was no more notable than in defence where central defenders Ian Ashbee and Andrew Tretton formed an outstanding partnership, not only nullifying the threat of the Walsall attack but also assuring our two young full-backs with their displays.

"I have stressed to Ian, who is our skipper this year, and Andrew the need to concentrate on their job as central

defenders and the dangers of trying to do too much in an understandable effort to influence affairs. To their credit, they did a fine defensive job and I feel they are well able to continue in this vein.

"But the win at Walsall reflected on more than just the back four, the whole team worked well. Steve Powell worked tirelessly in midfield and Carl Cunningham did the same upfront, especially important when his front running partner Craig Smith had to leave the field injured after 60 minutes."

**Walsall Youth 0 Derby Youth 2**  
Team: Plant, Broadhurst, McGann (Owen), Ashbee, Tretton, Powell, Peters, McHugh, Cunningham, Smith (Murphy), Brown.  
Scorers: Peters, own goal.

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### PONTINS LEAGUE DIVISION ONE

Wed Aug 17	Aston Villa	0-2
Thur Aug 25	Nottm Forest	
Mon Sep 5	Wolves	
Thur Sep 15	Sheffield Utd	
Thur Sep 22	Stoke City	
Thur Sep 29	Bolton Wand	
Mon Oct 3	Tranmere Rov	
Tue Oct 11	Everton	
Tue Oct 18	Rotherham Utd	
Mon Oct 24	Man United	
Tue Nov 8	Blackburn Rov	
Mon Nov 14	Leeds Utd	
Tue Nov 22	Liverpool	
Tue Nov 29	Rotherham Utd	
Tue Dec 6	Aston Villa	
Wed Dec 14	Nottm Forest	
Tue Dec 20	West Brom	
Wed Jan 4	Coventry City	
Tue Jan 10	Notts County	
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Tue May 9	Everton	

### DIVISION ONE TABLE 1993-94

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Man Utd	34	22	7	5	77	38	73
Aston Villa	34	18	9	7	61	29	63
Bolton	34	15	10	9	88	65	55
Wolves	34	15	9	10	45	38	54
Derby	34	14	8	12	55	51	50
Nottm For	34	14	8	12	55	51	50
Sunderland	34	12	13	9	47	53	49
Blackburn	34	14	7	13	40	47	49
Leeds	34	13	8	13	42	48	47
Coventry	34	13	7	14	42	41	46
Sheff Utd	34	12	9	13	57	60	45
Notts Cnty	34	12	7	15	43	50	43
Everton	34	12	7	15	54	50	43
Liverpool	34	10	11	13	42	51	41
Newcastle	34	10	8	16	46	53	38
Sheff Wed	34	7	12	15	46	63	33
Leicester	34	8	7	19	37	58	31
York	34	6	10	18	36	67	28

### MIDLANDS PURITY YOUTH LEAGUE

Sat Aug 13	Walsall	2-0
Sat Aug 20	West Brom	
Sat Aug 27	Aston Villa	
Sat Sep 3	Birmingham	
Sat Sep 10	Coventry	
Sat Sep 17	Wolves	
Sat Sep 24	Grimsby	
Sat Oct 1	Leicester	
Sat Oct 8	Lincoln	
Sat Oct 15	Mansfield	
Sat Oct 22	Lincoln (LC2)	
Sat Oct 29	Notts Cnty	
Sat Nov 5	Coventry	
Sat Nov 12	Nottm Forest	
Sat Nov 19	Peterborough	
Sat Dec 3	Shrewsbury	
Sat Dec 10	Northampton	
Sat Dec 17	Stoke	
Sat Jan 7	Stoke	
Sat Jan 14	Walsall	
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Sat Apr 29	Port Vale	
Sat May 6	Shrewsbury	
Sat May 13	West Brom	

### DIVISION ONE TABLE 1993-94

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
DERBY	33	25	5	3	95	36	83
Notts Cnty	33	24	2	7	80	27	74
Notm For	34	23	2	9	81	38	71
Coventry	33	22	5	6	79	53	71
Stoke	32	20	4	8	82	42	64
Birming'm	34	20	4	10	68	42	64
Wolves	34	15	5	14	66	66	50
Aston Villa	33	14	7	12	59	46	49
WBA	29	12	4	13	44	47	40
Peterboro	34	10	10	14	49	59	40
Shrewsb'y	32	11	3	18	42	69	36
Grimsby	29	9	7	13	34	41	34
Mansfield	32	9	6	17	35	60	33
North'ton	31	9	5	17	49	74	32
Leicester	34	8	7	19	45	71	31
Walsall	34	7	9	18	50	72	30
Lincoln	34	8	6	20	50	88	30
Port Vale	34	5	4	25	21	81	19

DERBY COUNTY vs LUTON TOWN

THE BRAVE NEW world of Derby County's reserve team set-up was revealed at Villa Park on Wednesday evening.

The Rams second string opened their Pontins League First Division campaign against last year's runners-up with a team liberally sprinkled with junior professionals. No fewer than six of the 14 players on the team sheet were part of last season's Midland Youth League winning side.

There were tactical changes from last season too, with Darren Wassall slotting in at right back and Martin Kuhl taking on the sweeper's role that he played on a number of occasions during the pre-season tour to Norway.

And despite losing 2-0 to a very strong Villa side, coach Billy McEwan was heartened by the team's performance, claiming that a draw would not have flattered the Rams.

"We had a number of chances that we failed to convert, and Nigel Spink in their goal pulled off two or three excellent saves. Had we been a little more ruthless in front of goal then I think we would have taken something out of the game," commented Billy.

"And we got caught on the counter-attack for their goals too, so there is plenty for us to work on over the next few weeks.

"But it is early days and I'm sure a few of the lads will have benefited from playing a full 90 minutes, one or two of them haven't done that since the tour to Norway.

"We always aim to win games, of course, but it is more important to bring

**THERE'S  
MORE  
THAN  
JUST A  
RESERVE GAME BEING  
PLAYED ON THURSDAY.  
SEE PAGE 30...**



Darren Wassall played at right back on Wednesday night

Aston Villa Res 2 Derby Cnty Res 0  
Team: Sutton S; Wassall (Green), Nicholson, Kuhl, Davies, Sutton W, Wrack, Kavanagh, Stallard, Carsley, Cooper.  
Subs not used: Wright, Quy.

### 1993-94 RESERVES APPEARANCES

	App	Gls
Stallard	31(1)	6
Hayward	31	9
Sutton (S)	31	-
Chalk	29(1)	6
Goulooze	26	4
Carsley	25(2)	-
Kavanagh	25	-
Sage	21(1)	-
Ramage	21	6
Sturridge	13(2)	2
Coleman	13	1
Nicholson	10	1
Simpson	10	6
Williams	9	2
Cooper	8(9)	2
Forsyth	8	-
Kuhl	8	-
Ratcliffe	8	-
Round	7	-
Johnson	6	4
Pembridge	5	3
Wassall	5	-
Gabbiadini	4	-
Harkes	3	-
Phillips	3	-
Quy	3	-
Sutton (W)	2(2)	-
Hadley	2(1)	1
Short	2	-
Ward	1(2)	-
Davies	1(1)	-
Dakin	1	-
Green	1	-
Kitson	1	1
Matthews	(1)	-

Full season record

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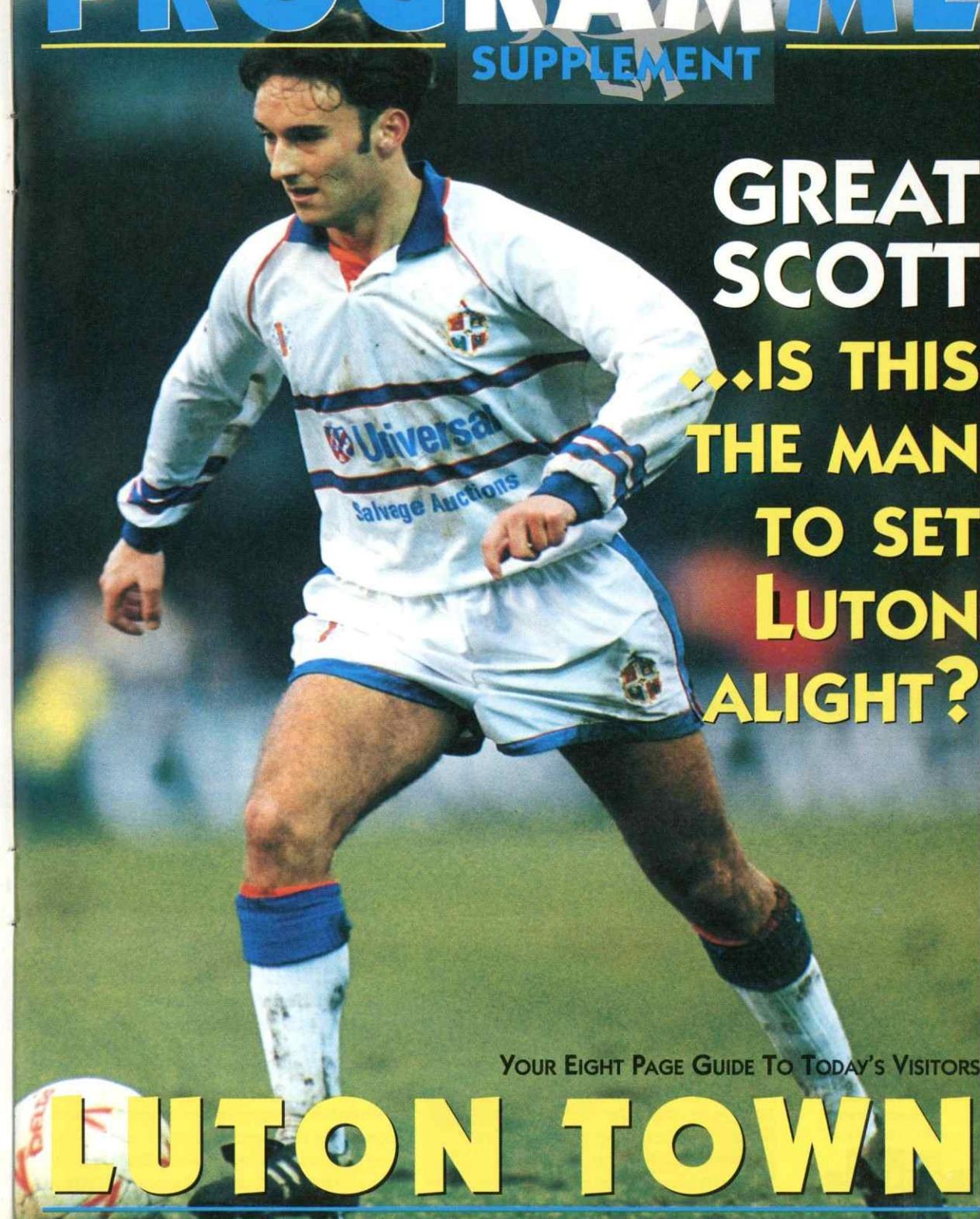
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**BIGGEST WIN**  
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Derby County 2  
Luton Town 1  
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Derby County 2  
Luton Town 3  
May 5 1990

## THE TOTAL OUTLAY IS A MODEST ONE, BUT WITH IT LUTON HAVE ACQUIRED TWO PLAYERS OF PROVEN ABILITY AND ANOTHER WHO COULD REALLY TAKE OFF

### RAMS v LUTON LEAGUE RECORD

	BBG	KR	Tot
Derby win	7	3	10
Luton win	3	10	13
Draws	4	1	5
Derby goals	23	14	37
Luton goals	12	25	37

BBG: Games played at the Baseball Ground  
KR: Games played at Kenilworth Road.

**L**uton manager David Pleat, who has been forced to sell so many players to keep the club alive, had a rare experience this summer.... He was given cash to spend in the transfer market.

In recent years, the transfer activity has mainly been in an outward direction from Kenilworth Road but, over the close-season, that has been reversed with three new faces lining up in the Luton squad.

A total outlay of less than £200,000 is a modest one but with it Luton have acquired two players of proven ability and an exciting other who could really take off.

Having been low on goals for some while now, David Pleat invested in two new strikers and also signed an experienced goalkeeper to act as cover for American Jurgen Sommer.

The largest cheque, for £150,000, was written out to Peter Shilton's Plymouth Argyle for the services of front man Dwight Marshall who scored 13 times last season. The Hatters then signed Tony Adcock from Peterborough, having previously



acquired goalkeeper Fred Barber from the same club earlier in the summer.

Marshall was eased into side as substitute in Luton's opener at home to West Bromwich Albion last week but there was no place for Adcock as Kerry Dixon and Scott Oakes filled the striking positions.

Mr Pleat gave a League debut to Aaron Skelton in midfield, where he played alongside Paul Telfer, David Preece and Scott Houghton. David Greene was drafted into centre of defence alongside Trevor Peake, whilst Julian James and Marvin Johnson filled the full-back positions in front of goalkeeper Jurgen Sommer.

Luton's new look team found itself a goal down

after only four minutes when Bob Taylor gave Albion a fourth minute lead - the very first Division One goal of the season - and found it difficult to make an impression early on. Yet once Scott Oakes had headed an equaliser early in the second half they came to life.

Manager Pleat was reasonably satisfied with the performance: "I thought we came back well in the second half and could have won," he said. And West Brom boss Keith Burkinshaw agreed: "They gave us lots of problems in the second half," he conceded after the game.

The Luton manager appreciates, however, that if his team is to make a real showing this season it must produce far better performances on opponents' grounds. The irony for him was that, though Luton drew away to Premiership clubs Newcastle and West Ham in the Cup last year (beating both in replays) they struggled for away points in the First Division.

Their only away League wins in 23 attempts came at Oxford (1-0) and Notts County (2-1). They

did draw seven other games away from Kenilworth Road, but a return of 13 points out of a possible 69 from their travels was a major reason for the Hatters finishing only two points and two places away from relegation to Division Two.

The problems last year started early on after winning only once in their opening seven games. Though Luton did enjoy a marvellous run in the FA Cup, ultimately going out to Chelsea in the semi-final, they remained in danger of relegation until the final week of the season.

But despite their problems last year, Luton give the impression of a side maturing rapidly. David Pleat has pinned his colours to his home-grown crop of youngsters and this could be the season that they really find their feet and take off.

Scott Oakes could be the man to watch this afternoon - and possibly the one to watch in the First Division this season - although Derby supporters (and Rams defenders) know exactly what he is capable of from the wonder-goal winner he slotted against us last season. Then he ran three-

quarters of the length of the field, riding several challengers before looping a superb effort over Martin Taylor and under the bar. He finished as the Hatters' top marksman last season.

Keeping hold of players of Oakes' ability is top of David Pleat's priority list as Luton look to regain the top flight status they lost three years ago although, as any manager will tell you, high ambitions on a small budget is the hardest route to soccer success.

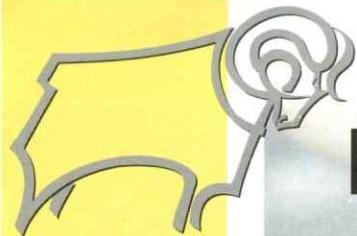


### BACK ROW (L-R):

Mitchell Thomas,  
Jamie Campbell, Des  
Linton, Jurgen  
Sommer, David  
Greene, Julian  
James, Marvin  
Johnson.

MIDDLE ROW: Clive  
Goodyear (physio),  
Richard Harvey, Ceri  
Hughes, John  
Hartson, Kelvin Davis,  
Kerry Dixon, Scott  
Oakes, Aaron  
Skelton, John Moore  
(coach).

FRONT ROW: Scott  
Houghton, David  
Preece, Martin  
Williams, David Pleat  
(manager), Dwight  
Marshall, Tony  
Thorpe, Paul Telfer.



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# DERBY COUNTY

		APPS	GOALS
1	MARTIN TAYLOR	1	-
2	GARY CHARLES	1	-
3	MICHAEL FORSYTH	1	-
4	STEVE HAYWARD	1	-
5	CRAIG SHORT	1	-
6	PAUL WILLIAMS	1	-
7	GORDON COWANS	1	-
8	MARCO GABBIADINI	1	-
9	PAUL KITSON	1	-
10	MARK PEMBRIDGE	1	1
11	PAUL SIMPSON	1	-

## OTHER SQUAD PLAYERS

DARREN WASSALL	(1)	-
JOHN HARKES	(1)	-
TOMMY JOHNSON	-	-
JASON KAVANAGH	-	-
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## TODAY'S MASCOT

We have two members of the Rams Family Club leading out the team today; brothers Andy and Adie Evans of Western Road, Mickleover.

Andy (pictured right) is 8 years old and his brother is 10. Both boys list Tommy Johnson among their favourites.



# LUTON TOWN

		APPS	GOALS
1	JUERGEN SOMMER	1	-
2	JULIAN JAMES	1	-
3	MARVIN JOHNSON	1	-
4	AARON SKELTON	1	-
5	DAVID GREENE	1	-
6	TREVOR PEAKE	1	-
7	PAUL TELFER	1	-
8	SCOTT OAKES	1	1
9	KERRY DIXON	1	-
10	DAVID PREECE	1	-
11	SCOTT HOUGHTON	1	-

## OTHER SQUAD PLAYERS

DES LINTON	(1)	-
DWIGHT MARSHALL	(1)	-
TONY ADCOCK	-	-
JOHN HARTSON	-	-
FRED BARBER	-	-

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**HONOURS**  
1986-87: Best season  
in Division One (7th)

1981-82: Division 2  
Champions

1967-68: Division 4  
Champions

1936-37: Division 3  
(S) Champions

1959: FA Cup Winners

1988: League Cup  
Winners

There have been many connections between Luton and the Rams over the years, including two former players who have managed the Hatters.

Harold Wightman was their manager between 1931 and 1935, while Dally Duncan took charge after leaving the Rams in 1946.

On the playing side connections include J. Blackett, G. Bowler, J. Frail, R. W. Frith, W. Grimes, and Lionel Murphy.

More recent players have been Ian Buxton, Barry Butlin,

**T**he financial constraints of a small club such as Luton Town place a great emphasis on a successful youth and scouting policy – And that is reflected in the Hatters' 1994-95 squad.

While new acquisitions have been made from the transfer market, a considerable number of David Pleat's players are home grown and the Luton manager believes that the club's future success rests on keeping his young charges together for as long as possible.

Luton have a very young squad, although they do have experience in key areas. Kerry Dixon has international experience to call on during his 13 years stint as a top striker, David Preece now has a decade of Luton action behind him and, without doubt, the decision of club captain Trevor Peake to sign a new contract during the closing weeks of the summer was a major boost.

This afternoon, Luton Town are likely to select from the following players:—

## A CONSIDERABLE NUMBER OF DAVID PLEAT'S TEAM ARE HOME GROWN AND THE LUTON MANAGER BELIEVES THAT THE CLUB'S FUTURE DEPENDS ON KEEPING HIS YOUNG CHARGES TOGETHER

### FORWARDS

DWIGHT MARSHALL was signed from Plymouth for £150,000 this summer. He was playing for non-League Grays Athletic until Plymouth signed him in 1991 and he was Argyle's leading scorer with 15 goals in his first season. He added 13 more last campaign, including a hat-trick. Two seasons ago he served Middlesbrough on loan.

TONY ADCOCK is another summer arrival at Kenilworth Road, having followed Fred Barber's route from Peterborough United in a £20,000 deal.



*Trevor Peake signed a new contract just before the season started.*

Mick Cullen, Steve Buckley, Bruce Rioch, Colin Todd and Mark Pembridge. Goalkeeper Jake Findlay made one appearance, on loan, in a home defeat against Charlton Athletic, in December 1983.

**D**avid Pleat returned for his second spell as Luton's manager in June 1991. He had previously been in charge from 1978 until 1986 and enjoyed considerable success.

It was at Luton that Mr Pleat made his name both as a player and a manager. He had begun his playing days with Nottingham Forest but played only a half-a-dozen first team games before joining Luton in 1964.

In 1967 he was transferred to Shrewsbury and he later played for Exeter and Peterborough before hanging up his boots in 1971. Three years later he returned to Luton as reserve-team coach, moved up to first team duties in 1977 and, 12 months later, was appointed manager.

Whilst he was re-organising at Luton, the Hatters were almost relegated to the

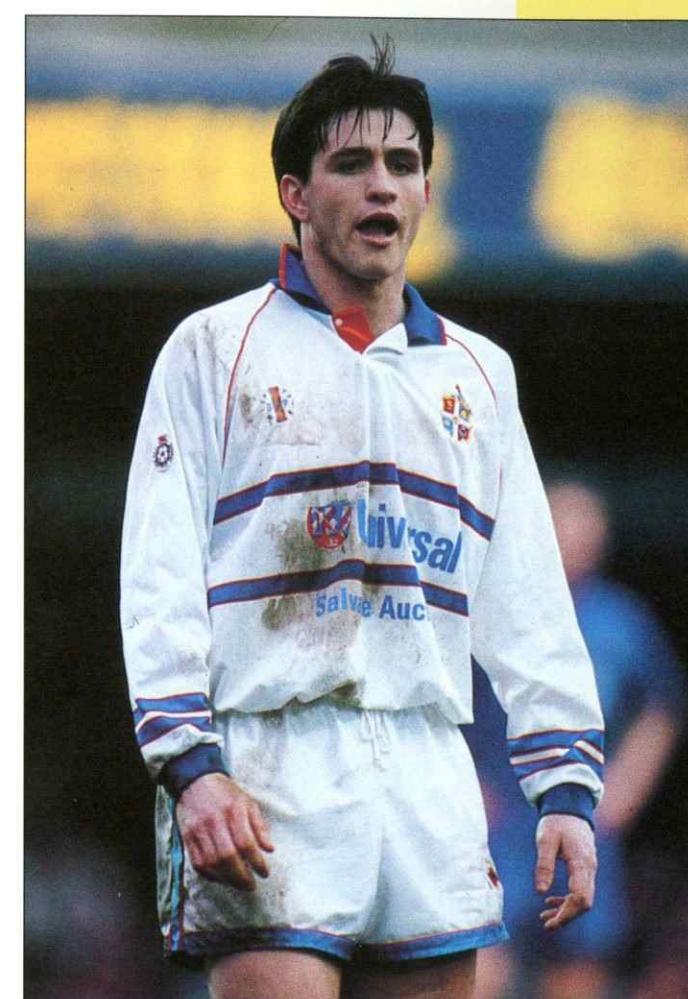
scorer with 19 goals and last term netted 13 times. KERRY DIXON made an impact with Reading and, after topping their goals list with 26 in 1982-83, he joined Chelsea in a £175,000 deal. His shooting form at Stamford Bridge, where he was top scorer in six of his seven seasons, earned him a bag full of goals and eight England caps. Southampton signed him for £575,000 in 1992 but things did not go well for him at The Dell. Following a loan spell with Luton, the full transfer was completed in 1993. JOHN HARTSON is a former trainee who was introduced to the first-team last season when he scored seven goals.

### MIDFIELDERS

PAUL TELFER is another player to develop in the junior teams at Kenilworth Road. He made his League debut in 1991 and has been holding his place for the past two seasons.

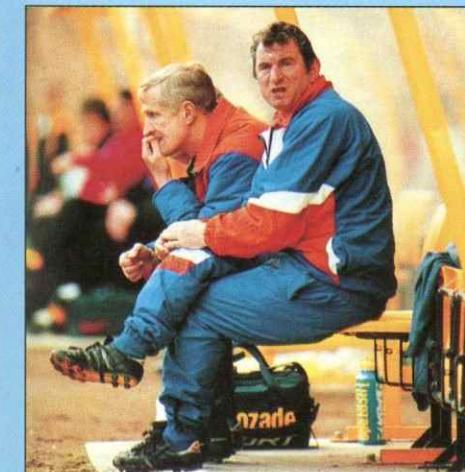
DAVID PREECE kicked off with Walsall, completing 111 League games for the Saddlers prior to his £150,000 transfer to Luton. That move was back in 1984 and, in the ten years since arriving at Kenilworth Road, he has played for the Hatters in two League Cup finals, collecting a winners' tankard in 1988, and has won three England 'B' caps.

CERI HUGHES is yet another home grown product who took his League bow in 1990 and is now a regular member of the Hatters' senior side. Now a Wales international, Ceri collected his fourth full cap last season having also played for the Wales 'B' side.



*Ceri Hughes is now a full Welsh international with four caps to his name.*

### THE BOSS – DAVID PLEAT



Third Division at the end of his first full season. But, after that, things began to look up. They finished sixth, then fifth before winning the Second Division Championship in 1982. In addition to success in the League, Luton also enjoyed some good Cup runs. Mr Pleat's work at Kenilworth Road impressed many top clubs and it was no surprise when, in 1986, he was invited to take over as manager of Tottenham.

The highlight of his stay at White Hart Lane came when he led Spurs out for the 1987 FA Cup Final. But, though they scored in the opening minute, they were beaten 2-3 by Coventry.

Mr Pleat left Spurs in October of that year and worked abroad until returning to take charge of Leicester City in December 1987. He left Filbert Street in January 1991.

## DEFENDERS

TREVOR PEAKE is now approaching his 600th game in League football. Even before that, when he was playing non-League for Nuneaton, he was picked for the England semi-professional team. His League debut came with Lincoln in 1979 and, following four years as a regular, he was transferred to Coventry for £100,000. Trevor was a member of Coventry's FA Cup winning team of 1987 and he eventually moved to Luton in 1991, where he is now Club Captain.

MICHAEL THOMAS returned to his original club following a loan spell last season. He set off with Luton, making his League debut in 1983, but after being capped three times by the England under-21s, he followed David Pleat to Spurs in 1986 when he was transferred for £250,000.

JULIAN JAMES is a former Luton trainee, first blooded in their League eleven during 1987-88. Two seasons later he won a place in the England under-21 side, winning two caps. Three seasons ago, during a spell when he was out of the Luton side, he went on loan to Preston.

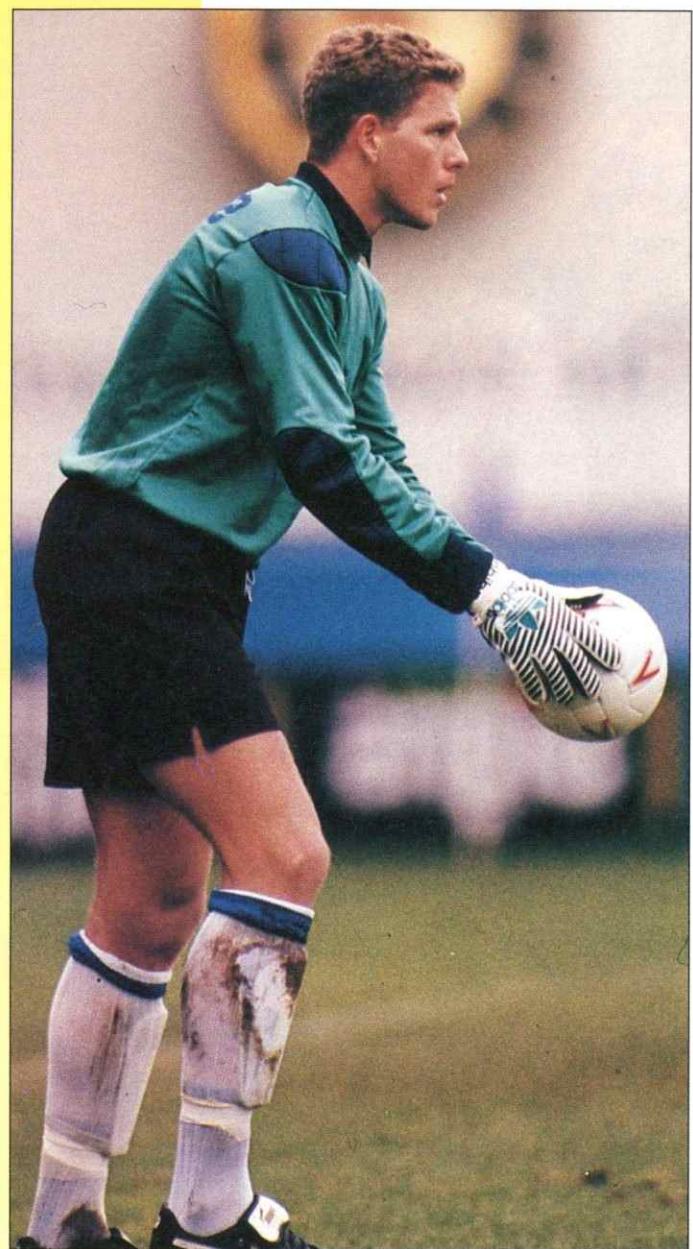
MARVIN JOHNSON completed his apprenticeship at Kenilworth Road, earning his initial chance in the first-team in 1988. He now looks back on well over 100 games in League soccer.

DAVID GREENE is a former trainee who made his League debut against Grimsby in March 1993. He made 10 League appearances last season and was included in the side that drew 1-1 with West Bromwich Albion last Saturday.

## GOALKEEPERS

JUERGEN SOMMER was a member of the USA squad for this summer's World Cup finals, though he did not get into the team. Before getting his chance in the Luton side, Juergen made his English League debut for Brighton whilst on loan, in 1991, and he later spent a loan period with Torquay before working his way into the Luton side.

FREDBARBER, signed from Peterborough for £25,000 this summer, began his League career with Darlington in 1983. He spent three years as a regular with the Quakers before joining Everton where he was used as cover. He resumed his career with Walsall in 1986 and joined Peterborough in 1991.



Juergen Sommer, like Derby's own John Harkes, spent the close season with the USA national team in the World Cup finals.

AARON SKELTON got his full League chance only last weekend when he started in the Luton line-up against West Bromwich Albion. A former trainee, he had often been included in the senior squad as substitute but had not got into the action until last season.

SCOTT HOUGHTON set out on his career with Tottenham but got his League chance whilst on loan to Ipswich in 1990-91. He later served Gillingham and Charlton on loan but was limited to ten outings in Spurs' League eleven. Luton signed him during the summer of 1993.

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**P**RE-SEASON PREPARATIONS ended in fine style when the Rams beat Premiership Queens Park Rangers here 11 days ago... Although Craig Short may not have been smiling had ref Terry Holbrook not been so reasonable. The big defender fell foul of the new stricter interpretations of the tackle laws and could easily have found himself in trouble with a less understanding official. After catching a couple of QPR forwards with now outlawed challenges, Mr Holbrook suggested that Craig be substituted in order to give him more time to bone up on the new regulations!

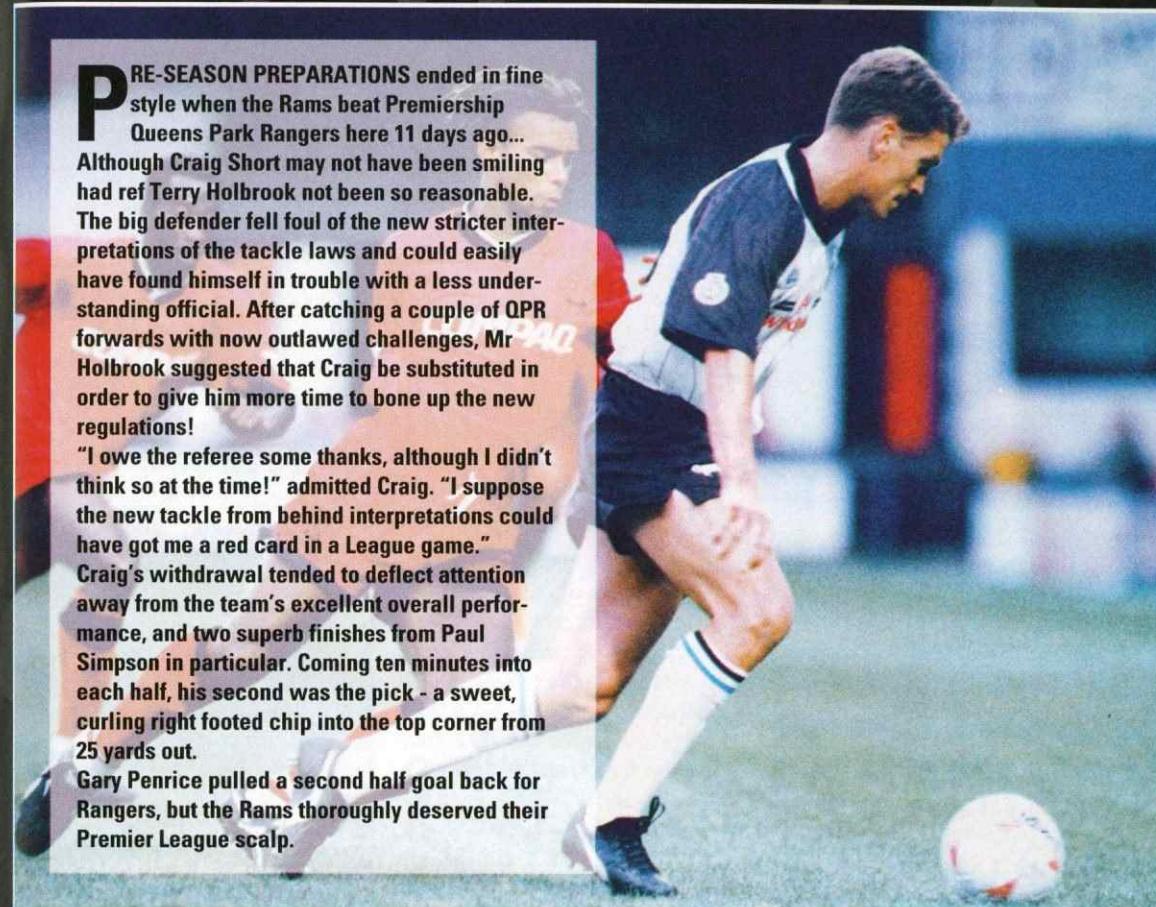
"I owe the referee some thanks, although I didn't think so at the time!" admitted Craig. "I suppose the new tackle from behind interpretations could have got me a red card in a League game." Craig's withdrawal tended to deflect attention away from the team's excellent overall performance, and two superb finishes from Paul Simpson in particular. Coming ten minutes into each half, his second was the pick - a sweet, curling right footed chip into the top corner from 25 yards out.

Gary Penrice pulled a second half goal back for Rangers, but the Rams thoroughly deserved their Premier League scalp.

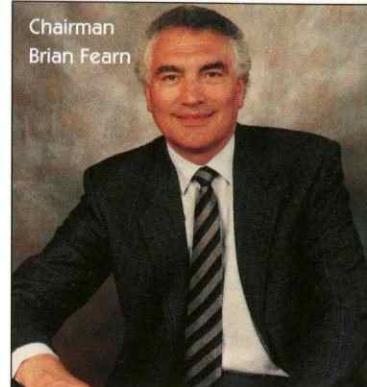


DERBY COUNTY vs LUTON TOWN

## RAMS IN ACTION



# FROM THE SIDELINES



Chairman  
Brian Fearn

**R**AMS CHAIRMAN Brian Fearn today spells out the crucial double-edged challenge that faces the club over the coming year.

In a frank interview with Rams magazine, Mr Fearn has stressed that success on the field is only one aim for the current campaign, with the need to control the club's finances also of paramount importance.

With the team just missing out on promotion to the Premiership, the club's outgoings need to be trimmed over the coming months to keep the books on an even keel and that means some members of the playing staff will be sold.

"I don't want to sound alarmist because we know what needs to be done here," explained the long standing director. "But I think our supporters deserve to know exactly where we stand.

"The first thing to stress is that we are all totally committed to bringing Premiership football to Derby but we must achieve that without incurring further financial obligations. No longer can the club expect further loans from Lionel Pickering. We must control our own financial destiny.

"Over the coming season we hope to balance the books by creating a break even figure in line with average gates of around 16,000 and until we are able to move on the players that do not figure in Roy McFarland's plans we are not going to be able to do that.

"It is no secret that the manager would have liked to have done some trading during the summer. However, the general transfer market is stagnant at the moment and before we can bring new players in we will have to make sales.

"I still believe we have the nucleus of a squad capable of achieving our long term ambitions and I look forward with optimism to the coming season even though the disappointment of losing at Wembley in May still sticks in my throat.

"But in getting to the play-off final, the team showed a great deal of style and stability in the final quarter of last

season, and it is from there that we can build.

"Obviously it was frustrating to start the season last weekend by losing at Barnsley but, just as one swallow does not make a summer, one away defeat does not make a bad winter. We hope to bounce back this afternoon.

"Your support will play a crucial part in that and I'm sure you will get right behind the team, just as many of you have got behind the club over the summer by buying season tickets.

## RAMS HONOURS

Founder members of the Football League: 1888

Division One Champions: 1971-72, 1974-75

Division Two Champions: 1911-12, 1914-15, 1968-69, 1986-87

Division Three (N) Champions: 1956-57

FA Cup Winners: 1946

FA Cup Finalists: 1898, 1899, 1903

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**A** NEW LOGO has crept on to the Rams playing strip this season - but it's there to save money!

For the club is now marketing its own replica kit and associated leisure and training gear, and we are doing so in order to keep a promise made to supporters.

Contractual problems with last season's suppliers, Bukta, have forced the club to make alternative arrangements for this campaign.

But marketing the playing strip under the brand name Rams Pro Wear means that the design of both the home and away kit will not change at all. The only difference will be the supplier's logo.

"We said last year that we would not change the design of our playing strip for at least two seasons,"

commented general manager Michael Dunford. "And this is the best way that we could keep our word.

"We could have signed a new contract with an alternative sportswear supplier, but that would have meant changing the kit designs completely. We didn't think that was fair."

"So, for the first time, we have taken on the production of replica playing strips ourselves, but the clothing will still be made at the same garment factory as before, a factory that does a lot of leisure wear manufacturing for Marks and Spencers which speaks volumes for its

**THE USUAL RULE** tinkering that takes place each summer has made a few minor changes to the game this season, most notably in the use of substitute goalkeepers. Last season three players were permitted to be named as substitutes, one of which had to be a recognised goalkeeper, but only two of them could be used. This season all three can come on, but the reserve keeper may only replace the original designated goalkeeper should he be injured or

high quality controls."

New supplies of replica playing strip, complete with the Rams Pro Wear logo, will be arriving at the Ramtique later this week.

## ASPECIAL WELCOME TO OUR NEW FRIENDS FROM THE D.A.B.

**IT'S GOOD TO** see all of our supporters back at the Baseball Ground after the summer break, but there is one section of fans to which we extend a particularly warm welcome.

For this year we have been able to offer 30 complimentary season tickets for the use of visually impaired members of the Derbyshire Association for the Blind, a local charity helping to meet the needs of the 6,500 Derbyshire residents with sight problems.

As you may know, most 'blind' people have some remaining vision - and they certainly enjoy their sport, just like anyone else.

The Derbyshire Association for the Blind is a vital charity within our county, providing information, advice, aids and equipment to help visually impaired people live more independent and fulfilled lives and the club is delighted to form closer links.

As well as providing the season

sent off. It means that if a team has used its two outfield substitutes and the goalkeeper is sent off he can be replaced by the substitute stopper with another outfield player being withdrawn. Other Football League rule changes include the choice of numbering shorts instead of shirts (we're sticking with tradition!) and the lengthening of half time from ten minutes to fifteen. Following the World Cup, a new set of guidelines for referees have

Hardly have the players' feet touched the ground from the pre-season tour of Norway and they are back on a plane again... This time bound for Italy.

Next Wednesday sees the start of the 1994-95 Anglo-Italian Cup with the Rams jetting off to the Italian Adriatic coast to take on Serie B side Ancona.

A change of format to the



tickets, we have also arranged for DAB cash collectors to be at our home game against Grimsby on September 3rd.

The charity relies heavily on local donations so please give generously when asked.

also been introduced aimed specifically at encouraging skilful and attacking play and eradicating things such as the lunging tackle from behind. We will feature the new directives in the Middlesbrough edition of Rams.



## ITALIAN JOB STARTS EARLY

competition that saw us reach the Wembley final in 1993 means that domestic qualification rounds have been done away with and eight English First Division teams have simply been invited to take part in the international stages; a system used by the Italian League in the three seasons that the rejuvenated competition has been running. The invitation to take part is based on league positions at the end of last season with the three teams relegated from the Premiership plus the five highest placed non-promoted teams in Division One asked if they would like to take part.

Oldham Athletic and Millwall declined their invitations so Middlesbrough and Stoke City join Sheffield United, Swindon,

Tranmere, Notts County, Wolves and ourselves in the competition. As in recent years, all of the four games to be played at this stage are against Italian opposition - two at home and two away - but we are actually competing against the three other English clubs in our group - Stoke, Sheffield United and Middlesbrough - for a place in the semi-finals.

None of the four Italian teams we faced in the 1992-93 tournament are involved in the cup this year so we will be facing completely new - and rather unknown - opposition. After our trip to Ancona, we face Cesena at the Baseball Ground on September 6th, we then travel to Piacenza, just south of Milan, on October 5th and finish off with Udinese here on November 15th.



Unfortunately, there is no provision for supporter travel to the away games this season but you can keep in touch with what is happening in Italy next week by calling Derby County Clubcall on 0891 121187.

## RAMS CHURCH SERVICE

ONE OF THE most popular dates in the Derby County diary, the annual church service held at the Cathedral, comes round again next month.

There is always a good turnout from all departments of the club and, once again, supporters are invited to attend.

The service takes place on Sunday, 4th September and starts - as you would expect from a football club - at 3pm prompt.

## SAFETY REMINDER

WITH THE START of a new season with us once again, it is worth reminding all supporters that running on to the field of play at any football ground is a criminal offence. Please stay in your seats, or on the terraces.

## THE NAME IN FRONT... AND BEHIND

THE NAME that is front of every Derby County player is right behind the club again this season.

We are delighted to welcome our main sponsors Auto Windscreens back to the Baseball Ground for what we hope will be another year of exciting and rewarding football.

Our association with the Chesterfield based vehicle glass replacement company is now in its fourth season and the club appreciates the support Auto Windscreens has given during that time.

And to get 94-95 off on the right foot, Auto Windscreens are sponsoring today's game too.

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On behalf of my co-directors, I would like to say how delighted we are to continue our support as main sponsors of Derby County and how much we are looking forward to another exciting season.

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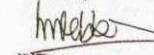
As we all know, training - whether as a fitter or football player - is an essential element for success.

Auto Windscreens are proud of the quality of service offered by The Boys and are pleased that all our sites were recently re-certified to BS3750 part II.

We were the first company in the industry with outlets nationwide to achieve this standard back in 1991.

I am confident that 'The Rams' and 'The Boys' will continue to have a great future together and look forward to the Premier League in 1995!

Yours sincerely

  
Nick Webber  
Managing Director



DERBY COUNTY'S players may have been enjoying a short break - some would say too short - this summer, but that doesn't mean to say that the Baseball Ground has been devoid of footballers.

Far from it, in fact. Community Officer John Jarman has been running junior coaching courses throughout the school holiday period and they have been a great success.

The five day courses have each

**WEDNESDAY, 24th AUGUST:**  
Ancona vs Derby County (7.45pm)  
Anglo-Italian Cup

**THURSDAY, 25th AUGUST:**  
Derby County vs Nottingham Forest (7.00pm)  
Pontin League Division One

**SATURDAY, 27th AUGUST:**  
Aston Villa vs Derby County (10.45am)  
Midland Purity Youth League

attracted dozens of young hopefuls, and more are expected for the final two sessions still to run; starting on Monday August 22nd and seven days later on August 29th.

A few places still remain on both of

## DERBY COUNTY DIARY OF UP AND COMING GAMES

**SATURDAY, 27th AUGUST:**  
Millwall vs Derby County (3.00pm)  
Endsleigh League Division One

**WEDNESDAY, 31st AUGUST:**  
Derby County vs Middlesbrough (7.45pm)  
Endsleigh League Division One

**SATURDAY, 3rd SEPTEMBER:**  
Derby County vs Birmingham City (10.45am)  
Midland Purity Youth League

**SATURDAY, 3rd SEPTEMBER:**  
Derby County vs Grimsby Town (3.00pm)  
Endsleigh League Division One

these courses and can be booked through the general office today. Each course runs from 11am to 3pm for five consecutive days and costs £25 per child.

They take place at the Shaftesbury Centre, in the shadows of the Baseball Ground and, as well as getting expert tuition in the skills of soccer, a certificate of attendance is provided, as is a complimentary match ticket for a forthcoming first team game.

### RAMS FAMILY CLUB... THE FUTURE IS HERE!

THE BIG CHANGES promised for our junior supporters section arrived over the summer with the launch of the exciting new Rams Family Club.

Over the years Derby County has been first in the field with ideas and activities for young fans so, despite having one of the best junior supporter clubs around in the Junior Rams, we have not rested on our laurels.

The Rams Family Club is more than just a supporters club, it incorporates a special ticket buying concession too - and is split into three age bands so that we can arrange more appropriate age related activities.

The Babes is for our youngest followers, those who do not yet attend

RAMS FAMILY NIGHT football arrives at the Baseball Ground on Thursday evening.... Reserve team football will never be the same again!

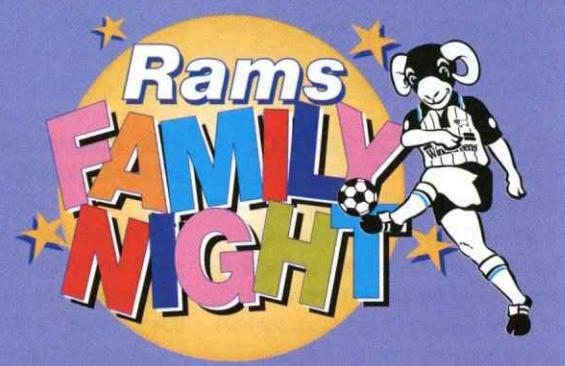
Every home Pontins League game this season is going to get the razzmatazz treatment in a big way, with the emphasis very much on family fun.

As well as seeing the Rams reserves - Derby County's stars of the future - in action against the big name clubs, there is going to be none stop entertainment all of the way... Yet admission is FREE for children.

RFN starts this Thursday evening with the visit to the Baseball Ground of local rivals Nottingham Forest and there will be a real carnival atmosphere to herald the new family initiative.

"We've got an open top bus bringing Rams and Forest fans from the City centre to the ground, we've got a marching band, we've got our very own cheerleaders, we've got an on-the-pitch penalty shoot-out at half time and we've got first team players signing autograph books in the Toyota Stand," exclaimed RFN organiser Ted Gascoyne.

"And that's just for starters! Throughout the season we will be laying on entertainment before every home game in the Pontins League to try and



tempt more families and young supporters to the Baseball Ground.

Reserve team football is the ideal place to bring young soccer fans to watch professionals play, and with the Rams in the Pontins League First Division, we'll be able to see a host of Premiership teams playing here as well as seeing Derby's next generation of stars."

The family fun takes place in the Toyota Stand, where children are admitted free and adults are charged only £2 for admission. Come along on Thursday night and sample a new experience in family entertainment.

## TICKET NEWS

### MILLWALL v DERBY

August 27th

This not an all-ticket game but the club has been supplied with 1,000 seat tickets to sell from the Baseball Ground, priced £12 for adults and £6 for juveniles and OAPs. These tickets will go on general sale after today's game. The Road-Rider coaches, for Rams Travel Club Members only, will leave Derby Bus Station at 10.15am and the return fare is £9.

### DERBY v MIDDLESBORO

August 31st

### DERBY v GRIMSBY

September 3rd

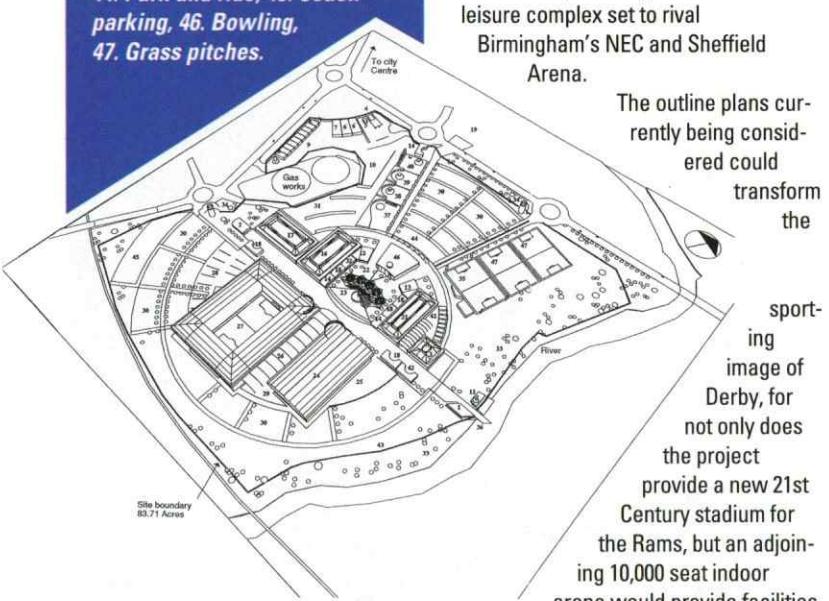
Tickets for the above games will go on sale from the ticket office after today's game. Reserved seats are priced £11, unreserved seats in the Osmaston Lower are priced £8 while unreserved seats in Normanton Lower are available at £7 for adults, £4 for children. Concession tickets in the Toyota and Normanton stands are available at £6 each.



Millwall's impressive New Den stadium

## THE FACILITIES...

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The outline plans currently being considered could transform the sporting image of Derby, for not only does the project provide a new 21st Century stadium for the Rams, but an adjoining 10,000 seat indoor arena would provide facilities

**A** new home for Derby County could start appearing on the city skyline before the end of the current season... That's how close the club is to seeing its new stadium dreams come alive.

The Rams' ambitious move to a 30,000 all seater dream home took a massive step closer to reality during the summer when outline planning permission for a £50-million leisure park was sought from Derby City Council late in July.

Prime purpose of the plan is to create a superb stadium for the Rams. But we would be by no means the sole users of the Chaddesden Sidings based complex. In addition to the football facility, the multi-purpose leisure park will feature more than 30 different amenities set in a landscaped site bordering the River Derwent.

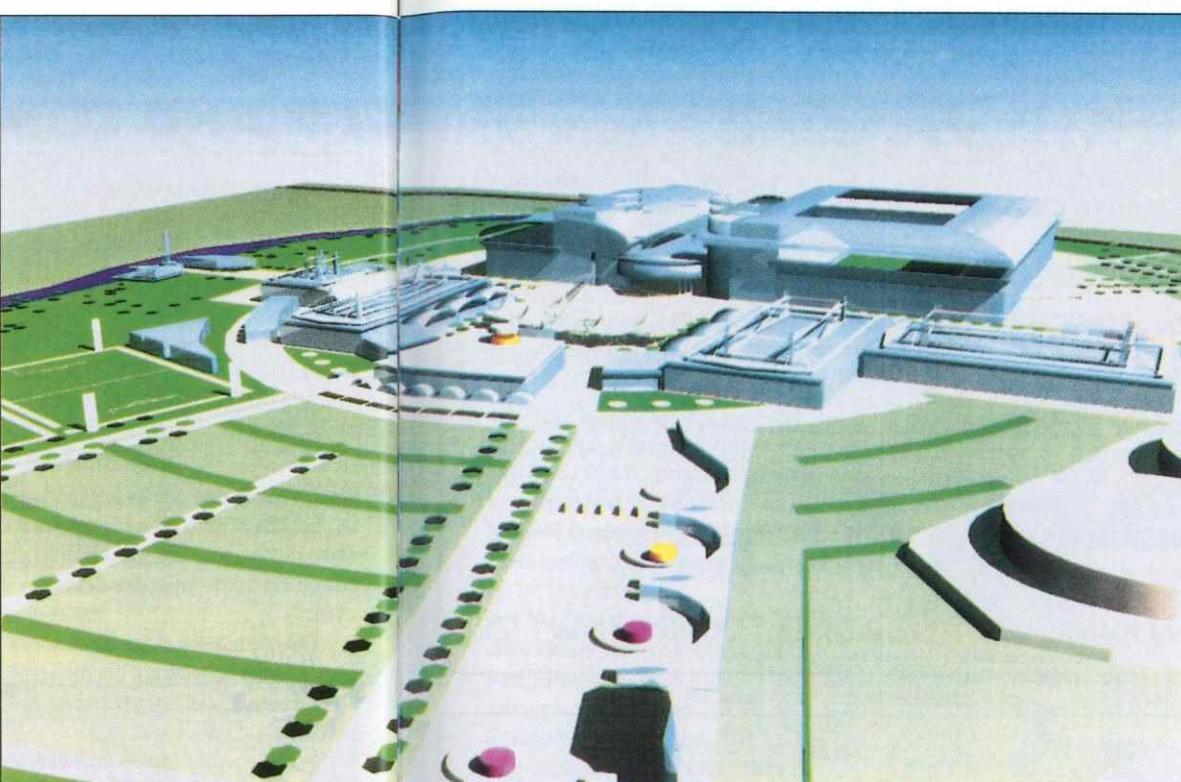
And provided Derby City Council give the project the thumbs up, preparation work could start on the site early next year, with construction of the stadium possibly starting by Easter.

A completion target is set for the start of the 1996-97 season, by which time the City of Derby could have a leisure complex set to rival

Birmingham's NEC and Sheffield Arena.

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sporting image of Derby, for not only does the project provide a new 21st Century stadium for the Rams, but an adjoining 10,000 seat indoor arena would provide facilities



for a top level ice hockey and basketball team, not to mention a host of other leisure interests - including big name music concerts.

Other features proposed on the Derby Stadium Leisure Park would range from an garden centre to a night club, and from an angling centre to a roller skating rink. There are also plans to build a number of restaurants, a pub and even a pitch and putt golf course as well as car parks to accommodate as many as 3,000 vehicles.

Certainly Derby will have seen nothing as exciting as this project, and Rams general manager Michael Dunford welcomed the far-reaching and imaginative scheme: "We are very excited as a club at the prospect of being able to deliver to the city and county one of the best sporting centres in the country. It will be a second NEC.

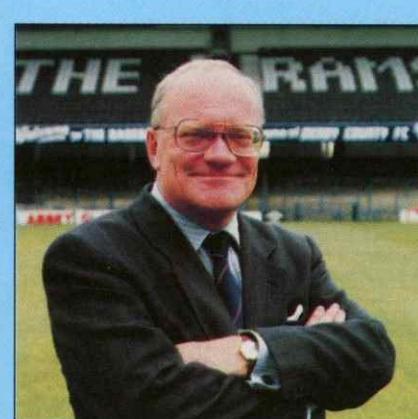
"Our supporters will get one of the best grounds anywhere in the country

and, for the first time anywhere in Derbyshire, the public will get a superb indoor arena.

"Derby will be put well and truly on the map because the new facilities will make the city and county an international focal point for sport and major

concert events."

The whole project is being managed by London based leisure and promotion company StadiVarious, who aim to build six such centres across Britain, but the stadium will always be the home of Derby County first and foremost.



**RAMS OWNER** Lionel Pickering, who has already invested millions in revitalising Derby County, is right behind the Derby Stadium Leisure Park initiative.

The club vice-chairman, who has lived in Derby and Derbyshire all of his life, has described the venture as the best thing to happen to the city in his lifetime.

"Everyone involved with the project should feel proud that one day people will be glad we have been so ambitious," he said of the £50million scheme.

"As far as the football club is concerned, I have no doubt we will be able to fill all 30,000 seats. If you give people proper facilities at the right price they will support you. It is our intention to get families and young people back into football grounds - and that's as it should be."

## NEW STADIUM LATEST

While a host of events are envisaged for the development - possibly using the stadium (although not necessarily the pitch area) several times a week - the Rams will always be top of the list for its use.

"The way it will work is that Derby County Football Club will have an anchor tenancy agreement for a term that takes us almost into the next millennium, never mind the next century!" confirmed Michael.

"We will always have first use of the stadium when we want it and supporters can also be assured that it will be built as a football stadium too. While specific designs won't be finalised until outline planning permission is granted, there are no plans to incorporate a running track or anything like that."

But while the development is important for the future prosperity of Derby County, the new venue will be an asset to everyone in Derby and Derbyshire irrespective of whether they are football followers or not.

"It is just as much in the interests of the residents and councillors of Derby to see this happen as it is for Rams supporters," continued Michael. "This is not just a football stadium, it's the most exciting thing to hit Derby for 50 years."

A decision from the City Council is expected in the next few weeks.

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## RAMS IN ACTION

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The law of averages dictated that Chesterfield would win the Derbyshire Centenary Cup at some stage, but the Spireites success at the Baseball Ground this season owed nothing to mere statistics. The Third Division outfit were superbly organised and gave the Rams a real pre-season work out. Full-back Lee Rogers scored an excellent first half goal to earn his side the lead and then saw his team mates defend stoutly to hold on for the victory. It is the first time that our County rivals have ever won the trophy, and, after losing the corresponding match 7-2 at Saltergate last season, they thoroughly enjoyed their success.



DERBY COUNTY vs LUTON TOWN

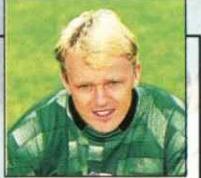




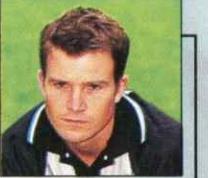
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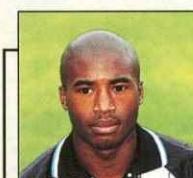
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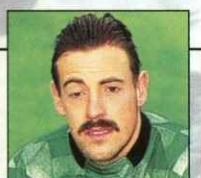
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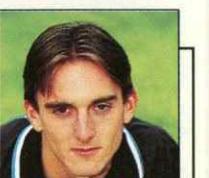
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**D**EFEAT at the hands of Barnsley last Saturday left everyone a little deflated – but perhaps it should not have come as too much of a surprise.

For the Rams are notorious bad starters. In fact the team has not won an opening fixture away from the Baseball Ground in thirty years.

Not since defeating Crystal Palace 3-2 at Selhurst Park in 1964 have the Rams won an away opening day fixture in 16 attempts, and they have won only six of the 14 games played at the Baseball Ground in that time too.

In total over the last 30 years, they have won six, lost 13 and drawn 11 of their season openers, with one of the rare wins coming only 12 months ago when the team hammered Sunderland 5-0 here.

### RAMS PLAYERS PASS MORE MILESTONES

ON A BRIGHTER note, a bunch of Rams players have passed milestones in their careers since the tail end of last season, with Player of the Year Martin Taylor celebrating his Rams century in fine style.

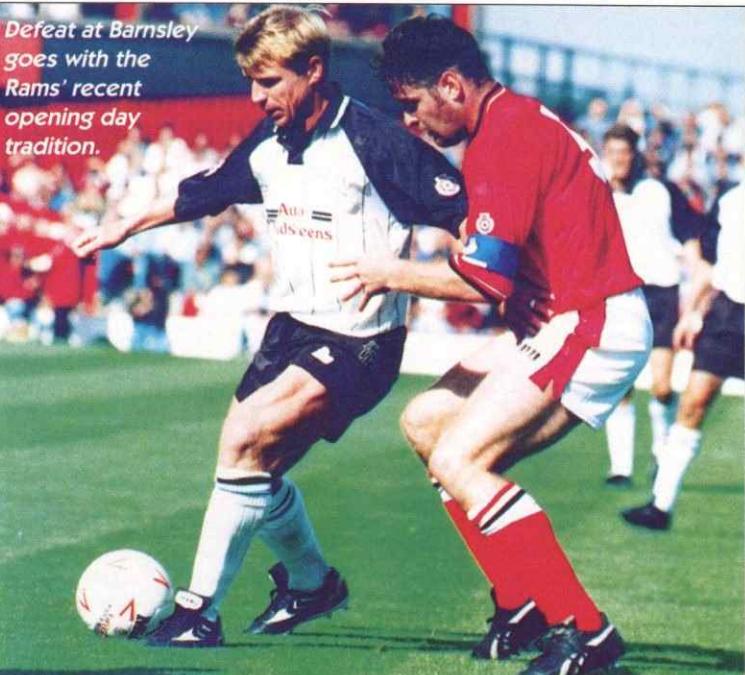
For Martin played his 100th senior game for the Club during the Play-off final at Wembley. He no doubt would have enjoyed it more had the result been different but at least the surroundings were auspicious.

Also, the final League fixture of last season, at Southend, was Martin's 100th League game of his career, the 82nd for the Rams. The other 18 came when he was out on loan, 10 with Carlisle United and eight with Scunthorpe United.

Paul Williams, who played so well in the centre of defence towards the end of last season, completed his 150th competitive appearance for the Rams, in the second leg of the play-off semi-final, although ten of those appearances have been as a substitute.

In the game at Oakwell, Craig Short

*Defeat at Barnsley goes with the Rams' recent opening day tradition.*



completed 100 competitive appearances for the Rams, and Darren Wassall, when replacing Gordon Cowans, made his 50th League appearance for the club, his first as a substitute.

### MOVING GOALPOSTS

The promotion goalposts have been changed this season with only two clubs gaining entry to the Premier League from the First Division.

It means that the Rams must do better than last year's sixth place if they are to contest the promotion issues as only the top five will be involved this time around. The champions will be the only team to gain automatic promotion, and the teams finishing in positions two to five will contest the play-offs.

The change has been introduced to help reduce the numbers in the top flight – four teams will be relegated leaving a 20 team Premiership for 1995-96.

It is not the first time that such tinkering has reduced the reach of the play-off zone. Only the top five were

involved in 1987-88, but the top two, Millwall and Aston Villa, gained automatic promotion, and the teams in third to fifth place were joined by Chelsea, who had finished in 18th place in the old First Division, for the play-offs.

That year, fifth placed Blackburn Rovers had ended the season with 77 points – six points more than the Rams finished with last season.

Blackburn finished fifth in the following two seasons as well, again with 77 points in 1989 and with 74 points in 1990.

Since then, the format of the play-offs has changed slightly with the top six, and one year even the top seven, involved but every season has seen the fifth placed club finish with more points than the Rams managed last season.

In 1991 it was Millwall in fifth spot with 73 points, in '92 Cambridge claimed the place with 74 points, in '93 Swindon were there with 76 points and last year Tranmere finished with 72 points.

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# FOR THE RECORD

## FOOTBALL LEAGUE DIVISION ONE

	P	W	D	L	F	A	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Crystal Palace	46	16	4	3	39	18	11	5	7	34	28	90
Nottingham Forest	46	12	9	2	38	22	11	5	7	36	27	83
Millwall	46	14	8	1	36	17	5	9	9	22	32	74
Leicester City	46	11	9	3	45	30	8	7	8	27	29	73
Tranmere Rovers	46	15	3	5	48	23	6	6	11	21	30	72
Derby County	46	15	3	5	44	25	5	8	10	29	43	71
Notts County	46	16	3	4	43	26	4	5	14	22	43	68
Wolverhampton W	46	10	10	3	34	19	7	7	9	26	28	68
Middlesbrough	46	12	6	5	40	19	6	7	10	26	35	67
Stoke City	46	14	4	5	35	19	4	9	10	22	40	67
Charlton Athletic	46	14	3	6	39	22	5	5	13	22	36	65
Sunderland	46	14	2	7	35	22	5	6	12	19	35	65
Bristol City	46	11	7	5	27	18	5	9	9	20	32	64
Bolton Wanderers	46	10	8	5	40	31	5	6	12	23	33	59
Southend United	46	10	5	8	34	28	7	3	13	29	39	59
Grimsby Town	46	7	14	2	26	16	6	6	11	26	31	59
Portsmouth	46	10	6	7	29	22	5	7	11	23	36	58
Barnsley	46	9	3	11	25	26	7	4	12	30	41	55
Watford	46	12	5	8	39	35	5	4	14	27	45	54
Luton Town	46	12	4	7	38	25	2	7	14	18	35	53
West Bromwich A	46	9	7	7	38	31	4	5	14	22	38	51
Birmingham City	46	9	7	7	28	29	4	5	14	24	40	51
Oxford United	46	10	5	8	33	33	3	5	15	21	42	49
Peterborough Utd	46	6	9	8	31	30	2	4	17	17	46	37

Final League table 1993-94

## PLAYERS ROLL-CALL 1993-94

	93-94 League Apps	93-94 League Gls	93-94 Cups Apps	93-94 Cups Gls	93-94 Play-offs Apps	93-94 Play-offs Gls	Derby Total Apps	Derby Total Gls
Gary Charles	43	1	5(1)	-	3	-	52(1)	1
Simon Coleman	2	-	-	-	-	-	84(9)	2
Gordon Cowans	19	-	-	-	3	1	22	1
Michael Forsyth	27(1)	2	6	-	3	-	378(1)	10
Marco Gabbiadini	33(6)	13	4	2	3	1	120(9)	42
John Harkes	31(2)	2	3	1	3	-	37(2)	3
Steve Hayward	2(3)	-	-	-	(1)	-	15(17)	1
Tommy Johnson	30(6)	13	4(1)	3	3	3	102(8)	32
Jason Kavanagh	9(10)	-	1(1)	-	(1)	-	60(22)	-
Paul Kitson	41	13	5	2	(1)	-	121(1)	43
Martin Kuhl	27	-	5	1	-	-	72	2
Shane Nicholson	22	1	-	-	-	-	43	2
Mark Pembridge	39(2)	11	5	-	3	-	107(2)	27
Craig Ramage	3(2)	-	(1)	-	-	-	42(14)	7
Kevin Ratcliffe	6	-	-	-	-	-	6	-
Craig Short	43	3	6	-	3	-	99	10
Paul Simpson	27(7)	9	6	2	3	-	94(13)	33
Steve Sutton	-	-	-	-	-	-	64	-
Martin Taylor	46	-	6	-	3	-	100	-
Darren Wassall	25	-	6	-	-	-	65	-
Paul Williams	30(4)	1	4(1)	-	3	-	137(10)	28

## FIRST TEAM ANALYSIS 1993-94

Date	v	Opponents	Res	Att	Pos	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	Sub	Sub	Sub	Res keeper
Aug 14	H	Sunderland	5-0	18,072	1	Taylor	Charles	Forsyth	Kuhl	Short <sup>1</sup>	Wassall	Simpson	Williams	Kitson <sup>1</sup>	Gab'dini <sup>1</sup>	Pemb'ge <sup>2</sup>	Johnson	Kavanagh	Sutton	
Aug 18	A	Nottingham Forest	1-1	26,684	2	Taylor	Charles	Forsyth <sup>1</sup>	Kuhl	Short	Wassall	Harkes	Williams	Kitson	Gabbiadini	Pembridge	Johnson	Kavanagh	Sutton	
Aug 21	A	Middlesbrough	0-3	15,138	4	Taylor	Charles	Forsyth	Kuhl	Short	Wassall	Harkes	Ramage	Kitson	Gabbiadini	Pembridge	Johnson(8)	Kavanagh(9)	Sutton	
Aug 28	H	Bristol City	1-0	15,643	7	Taylor	Charles	Forsyth	Kuhl	Short	Wassall	Harkes	Williams	Kitson	Gab'dini <sup>1</sup>	Pembridge	Simpson	Kavanagh	Sutton	
Aug 31	A	Notts County (AIC)	2-3	3,276	-	Taylor	Charles	Forsyth	Kuhl	Short	Wassall	Harkes <sup>1</sup>	Pembridge	Kitson	Johnson <sup>1</sup>	Simpson	Stallard	Kavanagh	Sutton	
Sep 4	A	Birmingham City	0-3	14,582	9	Taylor	Charles	Forsyth	Kuhl	Short	Coleman	Harkes	Williams	Kitson	Gabbiadini	Simpson	Johnson	Kavanagh	Sutton	
Sep 8	H	Nottm Forest (AIC)	3-2	6,654	-	Taylor	Charles	Forsyth	Kuhl <sup>1</sup>	Short	Wassall	Johnson	Williams	Kitson <sup>1</sup>	Gabbiadini	Simpson <sup>1</sup>	Chalk	Kavanagh	Sutton	
Sep 11	H	Peterborough Utd	2-0	14,779	6	Taylor	Charles	Forsyth	Kuhl	Short	Wassall	Johnson <sup>1</sup>	Williams	Kitson	Gab'dini <sup>1</sup>	Simpson	Pembridge	Kavanagh	Sutton	
Sep 18	A	Millwall	0-0	9,881	9	Taylor	Charles	Forsyth	Kuhl	Short	Wassall	Pembridge	Williams	Kitson	Gabbiadini	Simpson	Stallard	Kavanagh	Sutton	
Sep 22	A	Exeter City (CCC 2/1)	3-1	5,634	-	Taylor	Charles	Forsyth	Kuhl	Short	Wassall	Pembridge	Williams	Kitson <sup>1</sup>	Gab'dini <sup>1</sup>	Simpson <sup>1</sup>	Stallard	Kavanagh	Sutton	
Sep 25	A	Notts County	1-4	11,005	11	Taylor	Charles	Forsyth	Kuhl	Short	Wassall	Pembridge	Williams	Kitson	Gab'dini <sup>1</sup>	Simpson	Johnson(10)	Kavanagh	Sutton	
Oct 3	H	West Brom Albion	5-3	13,370	7	Taylor	Charles	Forsyth	Kuhl	Short <sup>1</sup>	Wassall	Pemb'ge <sup>1</sup>	Williams	Kitson <sup>1</sup>	Gabbiadini	Simpson <sup>2</sup>	Johnson(10)	Harkes(8)	Sutton	
Oct 6	H	Exeter City (CCC 2/2)	2-0	10,569	-	Taylor	Charles	Forsyth	Pembridge	Short	Wassall	Harkes	Williams	Kitson	Gab'dini <sup>1</sup>	Simpson	Johnson(8)	Kavanagh(2)	Sutton	
Oct 9	H	Luton Town	2-1	15,885	6	Taylor	Kavanagh	Forsyth	Pembridge	Short	Wassall	Harkes	Johnson <sup>1</sup>	Kitson <sup>1</sup>	Gabbiadini	Simpson	Hayward	Coleman	Sutton	
Oct 16	A	Portsmouth	2-3	12,404	7	Taylor	Charles	Forsyth	Pembridge	Short	Wassall	Harkes	Johnson <sup>1</sup>	Kitson <sup>1</sup>	Gabbiadini	Simpson	Kavanagh(2)	Hayward(10)	Sutton	
Oct 23	H	Crystal Palace	3-1	16,586	6	Taylor	Kavanagh	Forsyth	Kuhl	Short	Wassall	Harkes <sup>1</sup>	Johnson	Kitson <sup>1</sup>	Pemb'ge <sup>1</sup>	Simpson	Coleman	Williams	Sutton	
Oct 27	H	Tottenham (CCC 3)	0-1	19,858	-	Taylor	Kavanagh	Forsyth	Kuhl	Short	Wassall	Harkes	Johnson	Kitson	Pembridge	Simpson	Williams(4)	Charles(2)	Sutton	
Oct 30	A	Bolton Wanderers	2-0	11,464	6	Taylor	Kavanagh	Forsyth	Kuhl	Short	Wassall	Harkes	Charles	Kitson	Pemb'ge <sup>1</sup>	Simpson <sup>1</sup>	Williams(6)	Ramage	Sutton	
Nov 2	A	Charlton Athletic	2-1	8,123	4	Taylor	Kavanagh	Forsyth	Kuhl	Short	Wassall	Harkes	Charles	Kitson	Pemb'ge <sup>1</sup>	Simpson <sup>1</sup>	Williams	Ramage	Sutton	
Nov 7	H	Wolverhampton W	0-4	14,310	5	Taylor	Charles	Forsyth	Kuhl	Short	Kavanagh	Harkes	Johnson	Kitson	Pembridge	Simpson	Williams(4)	Coleman	Sutton	
Nov 13	A	Oxford United	0-2	7,151	7	Taylor	Charles	Forsyth	Nicholson	Short	Coleman	Harkes	Johnson	Kitson	Williams	Simpson	Kavanagh(4)	Hayward(6)	Sutton	
Nov 20	H	Grimsby Town	2-1	13,498	5	Taylor	Charles	Forsyth	Pemb'ge <sup>1</sup>	Short <sup>1</sup>	Wassall	Harkes	Johnson	Kitson	Gabbiadini	Simpson	Williams(8)	Kavanagh	Sutton	
Nov 27	H	Southend United	1-3	14,458	7	Taylor	Charles	Forsyth	Pembridge	Short	Wassall	Harkes	Johnson	Kitson	Gabbiadini	Simpson <sup>1</sup>	Williams	Kavanagh	Sutton	
Dec 5	A	Wolverhampton W	2-2	16,900	7	Taylor	Charles	Forsyth	Kuhl	Short	Wassall	Harkes	Pembridge	Kitson	Gab'dini <sup>2</sup>	Simpson	Johnson	Williams	Sutton	
Dec 18	A	Sunderland	0-1	16,001	10	Taylor	Charles	Forsyth	Kuhl	Short	Wassall	Harkes	Pembridge	Kitson	Gabbiadini	Simpson	Johnson(11)	Williams(8)	Sutton	
Dec 27	A	Barnsley	1-0	11,565	11	Taylor	Charles	Forsyth	Kuhl	Short	Wassall	Harkes	Pembridge	Kitson <sup>1</sup>	Gabbiadini	Williams	Johnson(9)	Ramage(10)	Sutton	
Dec 28	H	Leicester City	3-2	17,372	9	Taylor	Charles	Forsyth	Kuhl	Short	Wassall	Harkes	Pembridge	Johnson <sup>1</sup>	Gab'dini <sup>1</sup>	Williams	Ramage(10)	Simpson	Kavanagh	Sutton
Jan 1	A	Stoke City	1-2	20,307	9	Taylor	Charles	Forsyth	Kuhl	Short	Wassall	Harkes	Ramage	Johnson	Kitson	Gab'dini <sup>1</sup>	Williams	Simpson(4)	Kavanagh(8)	Sutton
Jan 3	H	Tranmere Rovers	4-0	16,874	9	Taylor	Charles	Forsyth	Kuhl	Short	Wassall	Harkes	Pembridge	Johnson	Gab'dini <sup>3</sup>	Williams <sup>1</sup>	Ramage	Simpson(7)	Kavanagh	Sutton
Jan 8		Oldham Athletic (FAC3)	1-2	12,810	-	Taylor	Charles	Forsyth	Kuhl	Short	Wassall	Simpson	Pembridge	Johnson <sup>1</sup>	Gabbiadini	Williams	Ramage(3)	Kavanagh	Sutton</td	

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