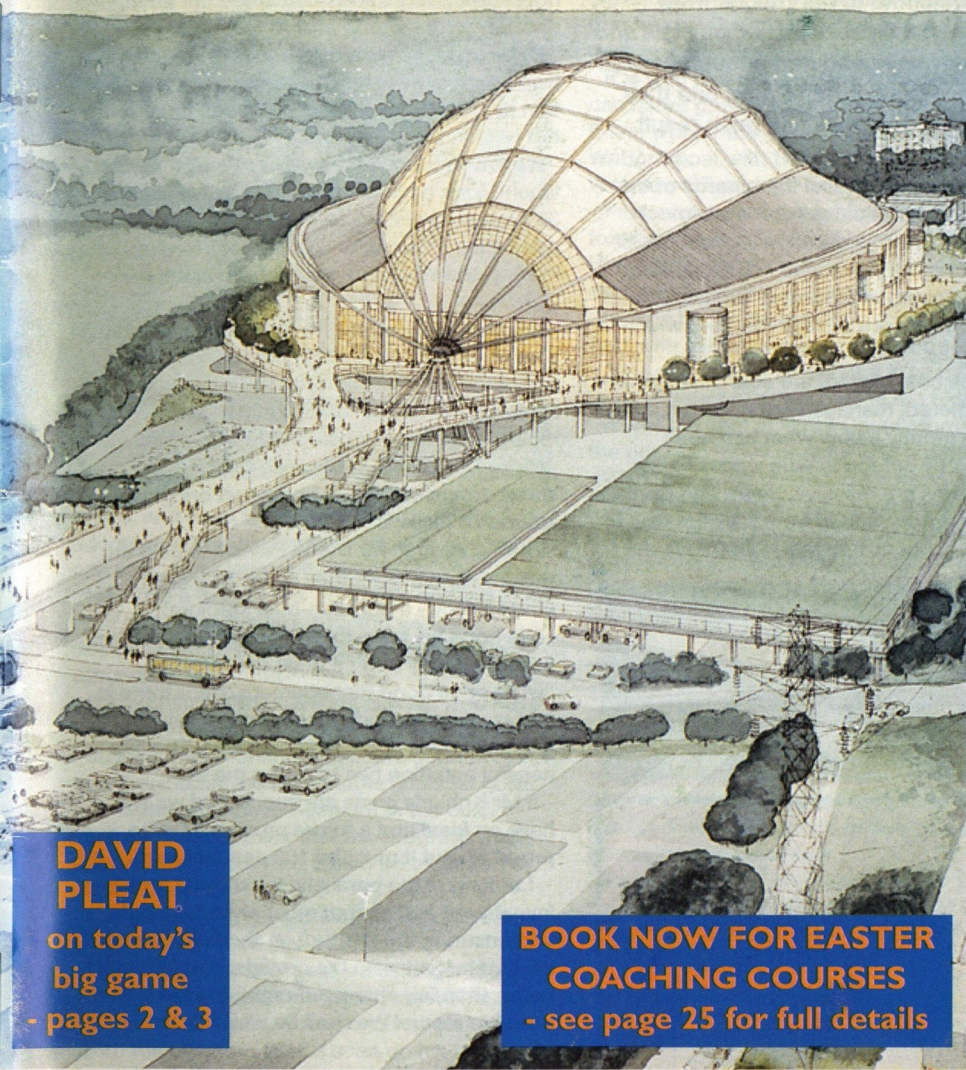


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## PLEAT'S PERSPECTIVE

### STADIUM & NO TEAM IS NOT CLEVER BUSINESS!

A WARM welcome to our friends from Notts County; their supporters, officials and players. They have endured a tough season but there are still games to play, and they will be hopeful that they can get a result here today.

It is interesting to parallel the records of the two clubs since that catastrophic afternoon when Rob Matthews scored two goals, whilst Villa beat Coventry, to ensure our demotion.

It is very difficult, when one is relegated, to halt a slide. There are so many factors which come into play.

Usually the best players are sold off, 'ordinaries' are gathered, management changes, and a net income greatly below what had been required to pay out top league wages exists.

The problems are massive. Years ago Carlisle and Northampton slipped from Division One to Division Four, but fortunately in 74-75 we did

not slide through, and maintained our second division status after a year in the top flight.

Once again despite nearly falling through the trap door we have held our own since relegation in 1992. It has been a traumatic time for us but two factors stand out.

We have reduced the wage bill and whereas when I took back the reins at the club we had 35 professionals, we now only have 27, and other than those splendid veterans Peake, Preece and Waddock we now are in the under-25 bracket.

Also as an example, the total cost of our team that played in that remarkable Tuesday game against the Wolverhampton millionaires was £685,000 - a fraction of the total monies received for our last sell-off, John Hartson.

Notts County too have done their selling; Yates, Johnson, Draper and Short bringing in around £5 million.

Their chairman Mr Derek Pavis has built the most splendid testimony to his successful youth policy - a purpose-built stadium.

We hope his team can pull out of trouble this season. If they don't it begs the question, "what price good management?" For there is no way a good stadium without a relatively successful team is clever business. The successful equation has to marry the two.

If Mr Kohler's plans are successful we will have an ideal and a future prosperity to be proud of. But it must be 100 per cent sure.

Looking at the parallels, the utmost time investment and energy must always be put into ensuring the product on the field doesn't lose status, attracts the crowds, and has a better than fair chance of regaining the highest possible status. We shall be working to that end.

A supporter suggested after the Wolves game that I will soon be able to put my feet up and relax, and that our safety points target can accelerate that misplaced thought.

Far from it. Although we may not have the problems of West Brom for example, who have 17 contracts to sort out, we also have contractual terminations.

As usual we will make fair and reasonable

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DAVID Pleat was delighted with a first goal from John Taylor (above).

offers, and hope the indisciplined, greedy agents keep well away from us, and that we can solve our player problems suitably.

We have a few crucial contracts coming to an end, and those players affected will have to decide whether the grass is greener on the other side.

It is significant that several players who have left us in the last two seasons, like Andy Petterson, Alec Chamberlain and John Dreyer, may have achieved reasonable financial goals but career-wise have been out in the cold.

I would hate to think that the progress made this season on the field would be exploded by players leaving.

One player contracted who has had a miserable time has been Ceri Hughes.

Only eight league appearances under his belt has been a depressing season, but he has not lost his considerable talent and has just been given the all-clear, after a scan on his troublesome knee, after his injury suffered against Grimsby.

Next season he and Des Linton, both still in their early twenties would be expected to play an influential role.

I see them very much as first team players and we have to hope that their return to senior level will be like signing two new players.

Our newest acquisition John Taylor proved to

our supporters on Tuesday evening that we can give latent ability a platform.

I was so delighted that he got on the end of the free-kick routine to score, after months of frustration when we have got the ball into the right area but failed to complete the move. At 6ft 3ins John has some good close control and clever movement with the ball. I feel confident that he and Dwight Marshall should forge a partnership.

It is vital that we have the confidence that we can score goals. No-one was more pleased than I when Paul Telfer followed up his splendid Watford goal with two further efforts to rock Wolves on Tuesday.

Paul over a period has shown some erratic form but he is a player of immense promise. His determination and unselfish play is an example to all professionals.

In time he will be a prolific scorer from midfield with his aerial power and good shot. With a little composure at the vital time he will prove to be a player who will play at the highest level.

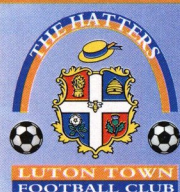
It was his goal at Notts County that puts us in the position today of achieving a double.

With four away games to play and only two at Luton it is essential that we go for the points in a determined manner, and make every attempt to maintain the marvellous exhibition of early passing that was shown against Wolverhampton in the first period.

There were signs in that game that the team understanding was of one. Now is the test - are we good enough to take it on?

Previous results suggest a clear inconsistency. But in the last six games of the season, which we can approach in a relaxed but confident manner I will expect to get positive results, whilst giving one or two younger players an opportunity.

Enjoy the game, and thank you for the marvellous support, despite that last-second disappointment, against the Wolves.



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# DIVISION ONE NEWS

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Many special offers, discounts and schemes were in place at all 35 Endsleigh Insurance League games, with the Hatters offering free ticket vouchers to all ladies who attended the game against Watford.

- Wolverhampton Wanderers' goalkeeper Mike Stowell has been confirmed as the 'Wilkinson Sword Protector Award' winner for March.

Stowell conceded just three goals in five Endsleigh League outings during the month. It's his

second award, after winning the inaugural title in September.

- Derby County manager Roy McFarland is the Endsleigh League first division Manager of the Month for March.

The former England international guided the Baseball Ground club to 16 points from a possible 21 during the month, as the Rams won five and drew one of their seven Division One outings.

- The Football League will stage another celebrity charity match as part of the pre-match entertainment package at this season's Auto Windscreens Shield Final between Carlisle United and Birmingham City on Sunday, April 23.

The British Brain and Spine Foundation has been confirmed as the beneficiary charity, with celebrities including Jasper Carrott, Chris Evans, Angus Deayton and Nick Berry.

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Middlesbro	40	21	9	10	59	34	72
Tranmere R	39	20	8	11	62	44	68
Bolton W	38	19	11	8	61	37	68
Wolves	38	20	7	11	65	49	67
Reading	40	19	9	12	48	37	66
Sheff Utd	40	16	14	10	64	45	62
Barnsley	38	18	8	12	57	45	62
Derby	39	17	10	12	55	40	61
Grimsby T	40	14	13	13	57	52	55
Watford	39	14	13	12	44	42	55
Millwall	40	14	12	14	52	53	54
LUTON T	39	14	11	14	55	56	53
Oldham A	39	14	11	14	52	51	53
Charlton A	39	14	10	15	50	54	52
West Brom	40	14	8	18	42	52	50
Port Vale	40	13	10	17	51	58	49
Stoke City	38	12	13	13	38	43	49
Southend U	40	13	8	19	42	67	47
Portsmouth	40	11	12	17	45	59	45
Sunderland	40	10	15	15	35	40	45
Burnley	40	10	11	19	42	65	41
Bristol City	40	10	11	19	38	56	41
Swindon T	39	10	10	19	45	65	40
Notts City	39	8	10	21	42	57	34

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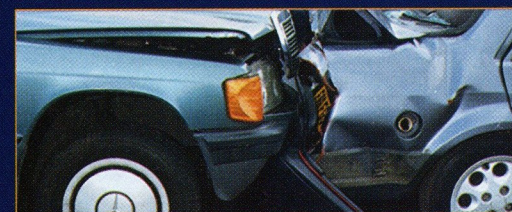
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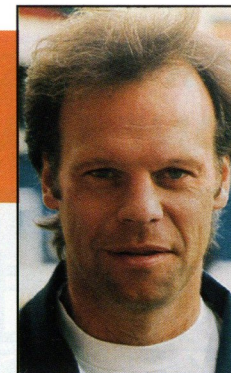


## LEADING THE LINE

by **TREVOR PEAKE**



**LEFT: Marvin Johnson, John Taylor and David Preece celebrate our third goal against Wolves on Tuesday.**



*Trevor Peake*

HAVING read on Wednesday morning what a great game it was for the neutrals, I can safely say there wasn't too much celebrating in our dressing room after Tuesday night's game with Wolves.

We were very disappointed to say the least at conceding a goal in the fifth minute of injury time, after it looked as though we had contained Wolves so well in the final stages.

Messrs Kelly, Bull and Goodman proved a real handful in the second period, but at the other end John Taylor certainly gave the Wolves defence plenty to think about.

There were plenty of plus points, but you are left thinking of what might have been.

However, we have taken four points from Wolves this season, and have beaten Tranmere and Middlesbrough here, and it gives us plenty of incentive to go to Bolton and to Middlesbrough looking for a good result.

The trip to Bolton is on Tuesday of course, and it will be interesting to see how they react to their Wembley disappointment.

I thought they were a credit to Division One, but we know only too well how a Wembley defeat can subsequently affect league form.

Speaking of Wembley, it was nice to our former colleague Alec Chamberlain collecting a winners' medal for Liverpool as their substitute goalkeeper.

It wasn't the hardest afternoon's work for Alec, but a Wembley medal is a treasured possession and congratulations to him.

Alec's spell at Liverpool means he probably won't be facing us next Saturday when we go to Sunderland, another game where there is plenty to play for.

With a new manager in charge, they will be striving even harder to pull away from the relegation zone.

For now though, our thoughts are with Notts County - like Sunderland they have had a change in the manager's office.

We are aiming for a double over County, but they are scrapping for every point. We must build on the positive aspects from Tuesday's game and can hopefully inspire the same level of support from the crowd.

Your backing against Wolves was superb, and we aim to reward that with three points this afternoon.

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## AROUND THE TOWN..... DIVISION ONE STATS..... PLUS TICKET NEWS



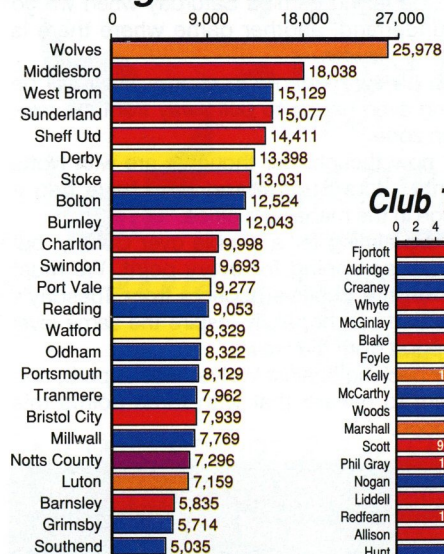
**ROB Matthews, pictured firing in a shot against Watford, will be up against his former colleagues this afternoon.**

THE Luton Town Supporters Club are holding their annual Player of the Year presentation evening on Sunday, April 23, at the Kent Athletic Club, Tenby Drive, Luton, from 8pm.

Tickets are £4 each, for members and non-members, and as in past years Town players and staff will be present.

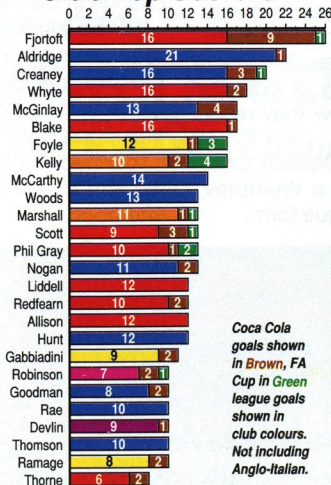
Tickets are available from the LTSC Kiosk in Kenilworth Road before

### Average Attendances



and after any first team home game, or by contacting Adrian Shotbolt (01582) 604079 or Karen Marshall (01525) 385461.

### Club Top Scorers



Coca Cola goals shown in Brown, FA Cup in Green league goals shown in club colours. Not including Anglo-Italian.

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## Boro clash is all-ticket for Town fans

LUTON Town will be a part of history when they play at Middlesbrough later this month.

It will be the last Football League fixture to be played at Ayresome Park (subject to play-offs), and the game has been switched to Sunday, April 30, from Saturday, April 29.

The game is to be televised live in the North-East on Tyne-Tees, while the local police were also keen for the high-profile fixture to be switched to Sunday.

Middlesbrough are moving to a new ground in the summer and are aiming to christen it in the Premiership.

Against the Hatters they will also be keen to avenge October's 5-1 hammering at Kenilworth Road.

This match is an ALL TICKET match for Luton supporters, with no tickets available on the day at Middlesbrough.

Luton have been allocated a limited amount of tickets, seats only, priced at £11 for adults and £7 for juniors and senior citizens.

Season ticket holders can purchase one ticket each until Friday, April 14, at 1pm (subject to availability).

Any remaining tickets will go on sale at one ticket per member on Saturday, April 15, until Friday, April 28 at 4pm.

(The ticket office will be open on Saturday, April 29, from 9 to 11am for the sale of other match tickets).



## LUTON TOWN TICKET OFFICE NEWS

### Bolton Wanderers v Luton Town ENDSLEIGH INSURANCE DIVISION ONE

**Tuesday, April 11, 1995, kick-off 7.30pm**

Please note the change of date for the above fixture.

Pay on the night only for Luton supporters. Seats: £11 for adults and £8.50 for juniors/senior citizens. Terracing: £8 for adults and £5.50 for juniors/senior citizens.

### Sunderland v Luton Town ENDSLEIGH INSURANCE DIVISION ONE

**Saturday, April 15, 1995, kick-off 3pm**

Pay on the day only at Sunderland. Terracing only: £9 for adults and £4 for juniors/senior citizens. Entrance through turnstiles 1-7. (Please note the Kenilworth Road ticket office will be open from 9-11am for the sale of other match tickets).

### Luton Town v Reading

### ENDSLEIGH INSURANCE DIVISION ONE

**Easter Monday, April 17, 1995, kick-off 3pm**

Tickets for this match are now on sale at the normal league prices. Normal guesting facilities apply.

### Charlton Athletic v Luton Town

### ENDSLEIGH INSURANCE DIVISION ONE

**Saturday, April 22, 1995, kick-off 3pm**

Pay on the day only at Charlton. Seating only: £10 for adults and £5 for juniors and senior citizens. (The ticket office will be open from 10-11.30am for the sale of other match tickets).

### Middlesbrough v Luton Town

**THIS GAME IS ALL TICKET FOR LUTON SUPPORTERS - SEE PAGE 8**

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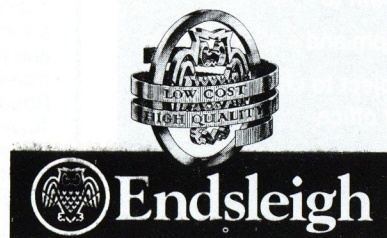
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## ON THE OTHER SIDE

# COUNTY DISMISS KENDALL AFTER 10 WEEKS IN CHARGE

HOWARD Kendall's return to English management ended on Saturday evening when he was dismissed by Notts County.

Just 10 weeks after his arrival at Meadow Lane from the Greek club Xanthi, Kendall was relieved of his duties after the First Division's side 3-1 home defeat by Barnsley.

Former Town skipper, and now Barnsley player-manager, Danny Wilson, scored one and had a hand in the other two.

Kendall's assistant, Russell Slade, the man he replaced as team manager in January, was also sacked. Slade had stepped in for Mick Walker when he was dismissed in the autumn.

County have won only four of 14 League games since Kendall's appointment, but won the Anglo-Italian Cup with a Wembley victory over Ascoli.

In a statement from the club, vice-chairman John Mounteney, said: "The decision to part company was made before the Barnsley game."

"The result had no bearing on our decision, and the same action would have been taken if we had won."

"While the board realises Howard was handed a very difficult task, results apart we were not happy with the way the club was being run by the manager and his assistant."

At the time of going to press, youth team manager Wayne Jones has been placed in charge of first-team affairs on a temporary basis, with former Liverpool and Scotland defender Steve Nicol as his assistant.

MUCH like his style of play, Neil Warnock took a direct approach to County that brought first division football to Meadow Lane.

Two successive play-off finals at Wembley lifted Notts from the third division to the first, but since Warnock's departure, County have yet to weigh anchor in a secure position.

Last season's excellent home form led to a dramatic, but unsuccessful, dash for the play-offs

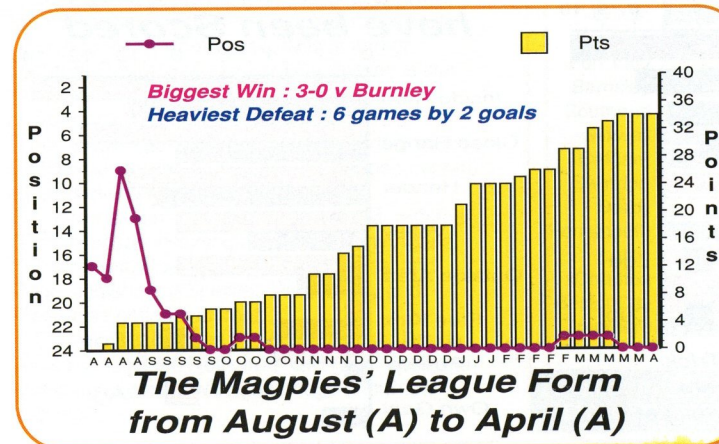


MARVIN Johnson battles for possession during December's match at Meadow Lane, which the Hatters won 1-0.

under Mick Walker, but that fine form has been mirrored by County's inability this season to climb out of the relegation zone at the foot of the table.

Howard Kendall's trumpeted arrival at Meadow Lane prompted a 3-0 home win over Burnley in his first game at the helm, and that was followed in the league by an excellent 2-1 win at Roker Park, Sunderland.

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Left: County's league form this term





# NOTTS COUNTY 1994/95

## SPOTLIGHT ON TODAY'S VISITORS



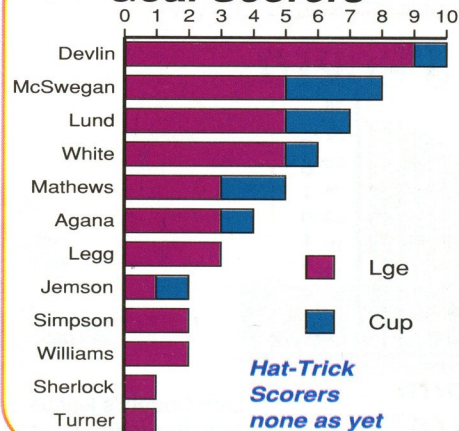
**ACTION** from the match at Meadow Lane on New Year's Eve, which Luton won 1-0 courtesy of Paul Telfer's second half goal.

Left: County goalkeeper Steve Cherry, and defender Michael Johnson, under pressure from Telfer.

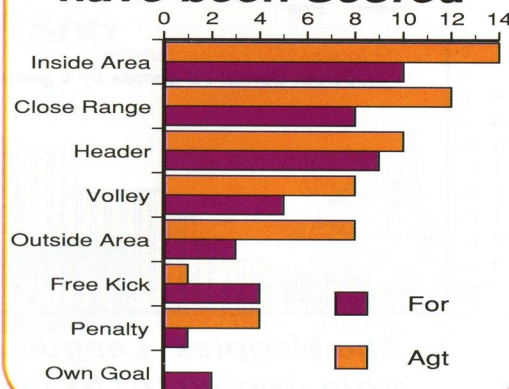
**RIGHT:** Cherry marshalls the County defence, including Rob Matthews (14), now with Luton, as former Town striker John Hartson looks on.



### Goal Scorers



### How the Goals have been Scored



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Since then, Hearts midfielder Graeme Hogg, once with Manchester United, has arrived to add some steel to the side and he has settled into a team that's gone through an awful lot of changes.

Australian keeper Jason Kearton, on loan from Everton, kept Steve Cherry, the veteran of over 250 league appearances for County, out of the side, but Notts have let points slip - notably at home to Southend, when United had two players sent off and still hit back to draw.

Despite the changes in other areas of the team, County's defence has remained much the same since the turn of the year.

Across the back are former County trainee Michael Johnson, ex-Swansea defender Andy Legg, and Shaun Murphy, who County discovered playing for Australia in the 1992 Barcelona Olympics.

The experienced Gary Mills, formerly of Leicester, Derby and Forest fills in on the right side of defence.

Centre-half Dean Yates, the former Meadow Lane apprentice, has joined Derby County for a tribunal-fixed sum of £300,000, which could increase to £800,000. Yates, who made over 300 appearances for County despite lengthy injury problems, will bring Notts 25% of any transfer fee should Derby sell him on.

It's in midfield where successive County managers have been endeavouring to find the right ingredients this season.

County stalwart Phil Turner, now 33, has missed few games this season; West Ham's Peter Butler and Wolves' Chris Marsden were both bought for around the quarter million mark to try and instill the necessary guile, and Kendall also turned to another experienced name who has seen it all.

Joining Hogg, was fellow Scot Steve Nicol, the former Liverpool star who won domestic and European honours during a glittering career at Anfield.

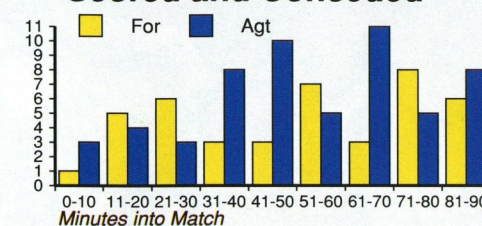
County's surge up the table last season, which so nearly pinched them a play-off place, was due in part to the much-admired skills of former Stafford Rangers winger Paul Devlin who is starting this time around.

But Notts have missed former Rangers striker Gary McSwegan, who has been injured for much of the season - he and Gary Lund bagged over 40 goals between them last term.

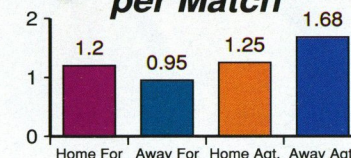
There's experience aplenty elsewhere, with the County squad including the likes of Tony Agana, formerly with Sheffield United and Leeds, and Nigel Jemson, ex-Sheffield Wednesday and Forest, as options up front.

Currently leading the line is giant striker Devon White, who joined Notts from QPR after spells win the lower divisions with Cambridge and Bristol Rovers.

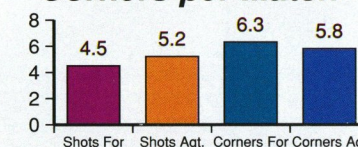
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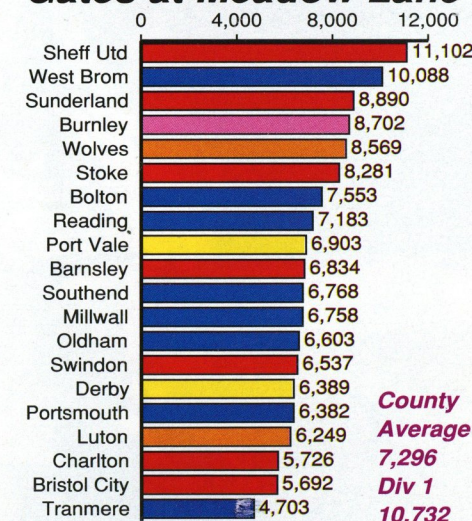
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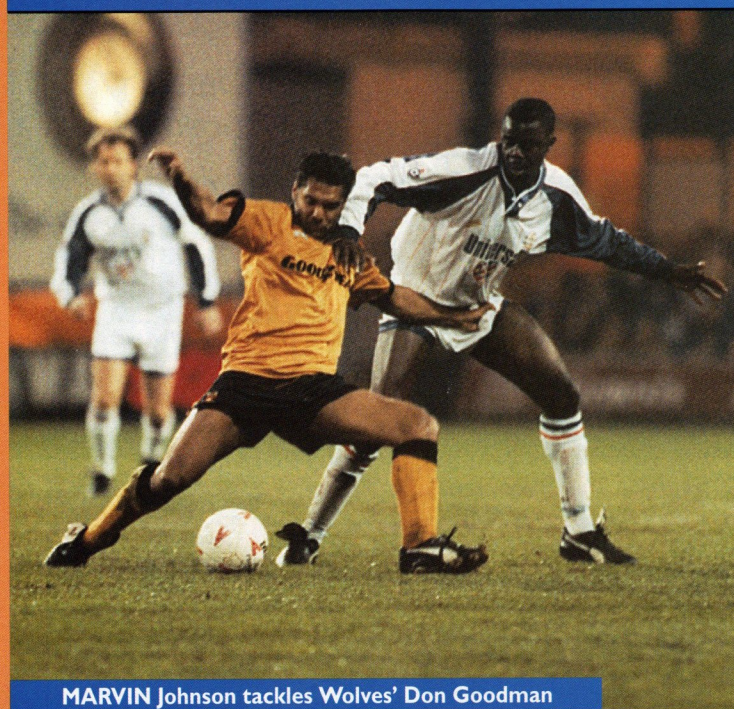
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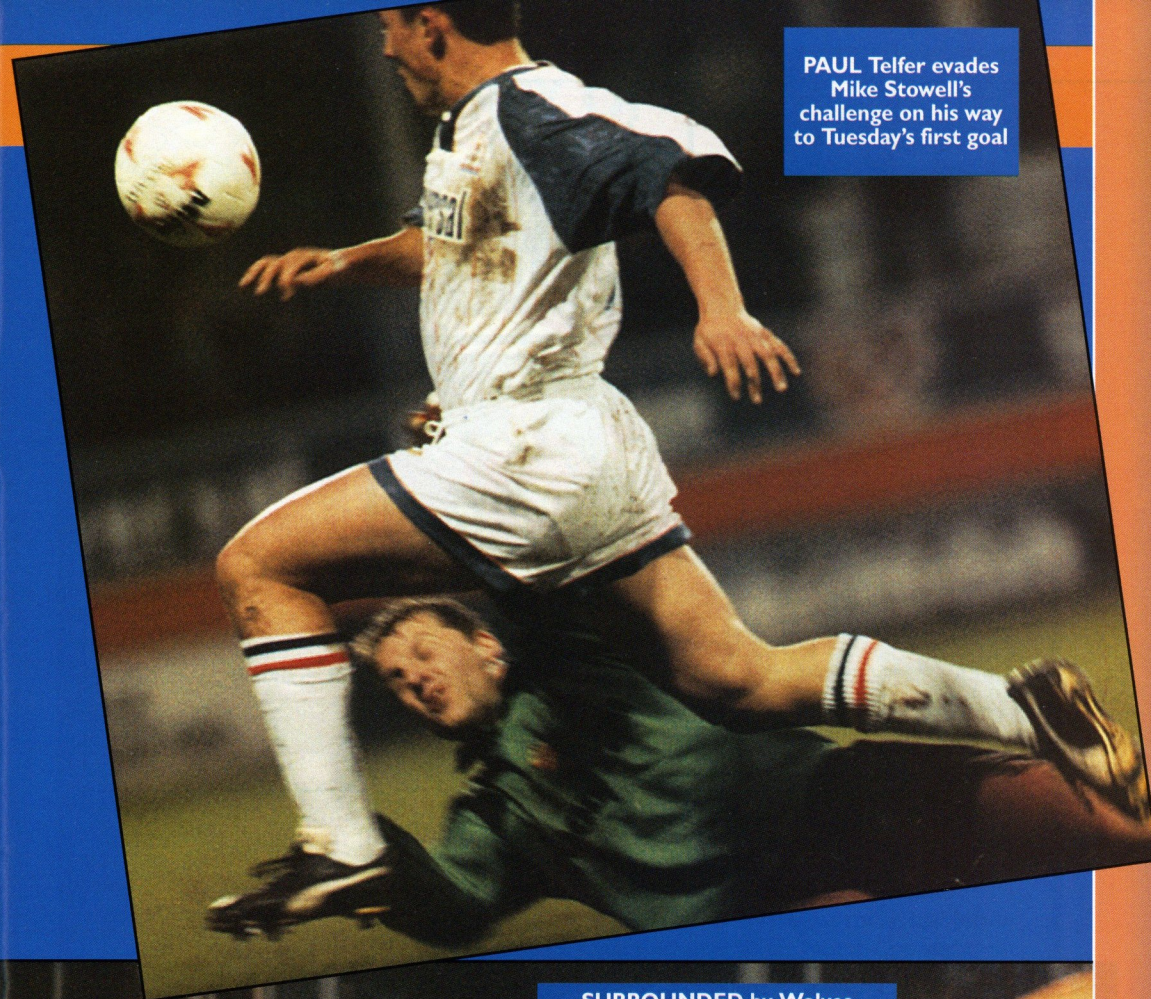
# LUTON TOWN v WOLVES



MARVIN Johnson tackles Wolves' Don Goodman

From
Kenilworth Road
Date
April 4, 1995
Result
Luton Town 3 (Telfer 2, Taylor)
Wolves 3 (Kelly 2, Emblen)
Attendance 9,651
Pictures by ANDY HANDLEY

TOWN'S man-of-the-match John Taylor is halted on this occasion by the Wanderers' defence



PAUL Telfer evades Mike Stowell's challenge on his way to Tuesday's first goal



SURROUNDED by Wolves defenders, Paul Telfer cracks in number two after just 11 minutes



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WE are planning a day trip to Thorpe Park for Junior Hatters and their families on Sunday, June 11, 1995.

It promises to be a great day out, with lots to do, and a chance to see all your Luton Town friends as we look forward to the new season.

The special price for this trip will be £11 for under 14s and £15 for over 14s - this price includes return coach fare from Luton and entrance to Thorpe Park, where there is a wide choice of rides for all ages.

The coach will depart from the forecourt outside the Ticket Office in Kenilworth Road at 9am and meet back at the coach to depart Thorpe Park at 4.30pm. We should be back at Kenilworth Road for approximately 6pm.

Booking details are as follows: A £5 non-returnable deposit per person must be paid by Saturday, April 8. The outstanding balance must be paid in full by Saturday, May 6.

We regret that as this is a family trip, we are unable to accept bookings from unaccompanied juniors. Spaces are limited, so please book early to avoid disappointment!

If you have any queries regarding this trip, please contact the Ticket Office on Luton 416976.

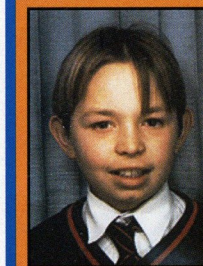


**ABOVE:** Our mascot against Wolves, James Drakeford, is pictured prior to Tuesday's match with the officials and team captains.

**DUE** to fixture changes, this afternoon is the final Saturday Club of the season, and this morning the Junior Hatters played a match against their Notts County counterparts.

Thanks to everyone who has supported the Saturday Club throughout the season, and we look forward to seeing you again in August.

### MATCH DAY MASCOT



**Name:** Steven Holmes  
**Date of birth:** 6/3/83  
**School attended:** Yateley School, Surrey  
**Other hobbies:** Fishing, swimming and tennis  
**Local football team that you play for:** Finchamstead U12  
**Who accompanies you to Luton matches:** My dad.

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LATEST  
RANGE OF  
ITEMS IN THE  
HATTERS  
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AFTER  
TODAY'S  
GAME?

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EASTER MONDAY AGAINST READING! THE FINAL  
HOME GAME OF THE SEASON IS ON SUNDAY, MAY 7.**





JOHN Taylor is tackled by his former Bradford City colleague Dean Richards during Tuesday's draw with Wolves. (Picture: ANDY HANDLEY).

## HARVEY BACK AT HOME!



LEFT: Richard Harvey played his first home league game for nearly three years, when he started against Watford.

THE 'derby' against Watford was defender Richard Harvey's first home league game for nearly three years.

Manchester United were the opposition the last time Richard played a league game at Kenilworth Road in April 1992, but he has since suffered with two very bad knee injuries.

The former England youth international missed the entire 1993/94 season after a cruciate knee ligament operation, and made his first appearance of the current campaign at Barnsley in January.

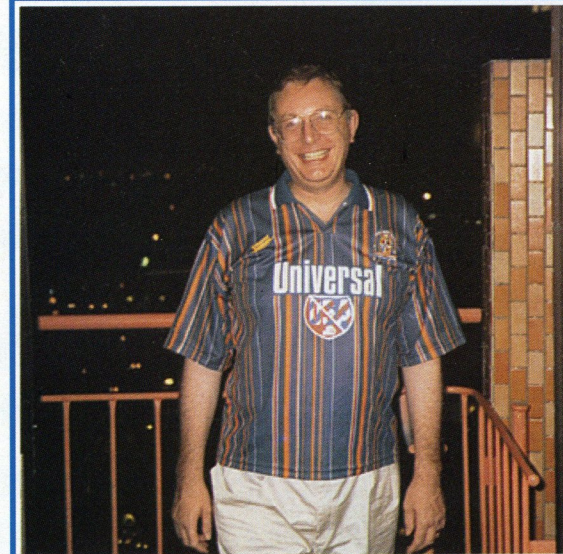
Richard, who is 26 on Easter Monday, completes 10 years with the Town in the summer, and manag-

er David Pleat, who introduced him to league football eight years ago, said it was "a real bonus" to have him back.

"Richard has had a terrible time with injuries, and it's always nice to see a player return and battle his way back," said Mr Pleat.

Richard himself confessed to feeling the pace a little, but said he had really enjoyed his return, and was a key figure for the Hatters - providing the cross for Paul Telfer's opening goal.

He was set to continue in the left-back role against Wolves on Tuesday, with Mitchell Thomas still struggling with a hamstring injury.



BIRTHDAY greetings to Town supporter Ray Beasley, currently working in Singapore.

Ray is 49 on April 22, and best wishes come from colleagues Sharon, Beverly, Angelito and Jimbo.

There's also a 'Happy Birthday Dad' message from Emma, Sara and James.

Ray is pictured (left) sporting the Luton colours on the 19th floor of his Singapore Hotel.

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*Richard Harvey*





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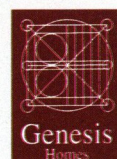
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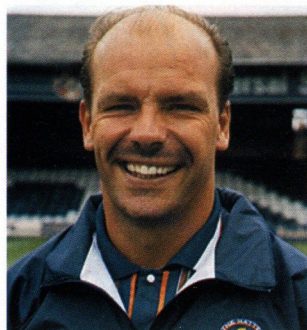
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Wed Aug 17	WATFORD	2-0
Wed Aug 24	QPR	2-1
Wed Aug 31	Charlton Athletic	1-3
Wed Sep 7	IPSWICH	2-2
Wed Sep 14	Bristol Rovers	1-3
Wed Sep 21	OXFORD	2-1
Wed Sep 28	PORTSMOUTH	1-0
Wed Oct 5	Tottenham	0-2
Wed Oct 12	Oxford	1-0
Wed Oct 19	NORWICH	3-5
Wed Oct 26	BRISTOL ROVERS	2-2
Mon Oct 31	Swindon	2-1
Tue Nov 8	Watford	0-1
Wed Nov 16	WIMBLEDON	2-4
Mon Nov 21	Portsmouth	3-0
Wed Nov 30	SWINDON	2-2
Wed Dec 7	Norwich City	0-2
Wed Dec 14	TOTTENHAM	1-2
Wed Dec 21	Southampton	1-3
Tue Jan 10	West Ham	0-1
Wed Jan 25	CRYSTAL PALACE	2-1
Mon Feb 6	ARSENAL	1-3
Tue Feb 14	Crystal Palace	3-1
Thu Feb 23	BRISTOL CITY	4-1
Sat Feb 25	Arsenal	1-4
Fri Mar 10	SOUTHAMPTON	0-2
Wed Mar 15	Wimbledon	1-1
Wed Mar 22	MILLWALL	3-1
Mon Mar 27	Brighton	0-1
Wed Mar 29	Ipswich Town	0-2
Wed Apr 5	BRIGHTON	2-2
Mon Apr 10	Millwall 2pm	
Thur Apr 13	CHARLTON 2pm	
Tue Apr 18	CHELSEA 2pm	
Sat Apr 22	WEST HAM 2pm	
Tue Apr 25	Queens Park Rgrs 7pm	
Thur May 4	Bristol City 7.30pm	
Mon May 8	Chelsea 7pm	

BOLD type denotes home game.  
(Luton score first).

# RESERVES AND YOUTH

WITH WAYNE TURNER AND TERRY WESTLEY

AN 89th minute header from skipper David Greene salvaged a point for the Luton Reserves at home to Brighton on Wednesday.

Jamie Woodsford had given the Hatters a 1-0 interval lead, capitalising on a poor clearance from the Brighton keeper and providing a calm finish.

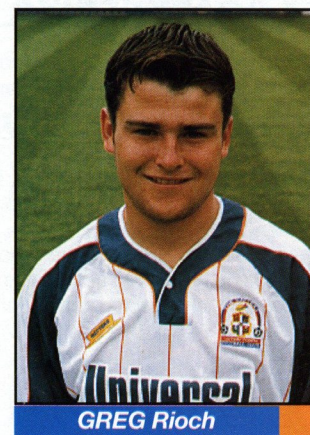
Woodsford went close to a second with a header, with Tony Thorpe and Rob Matthews denied by the keeper Mark Ormerod, as the Town dominated the opening half.

But Brighton equalised soon after the break, and then went 2-1 in front from a penalty, after Ben Chenery had handled on the line and was shown the red card.

Matthews was again thwarted by Ormerod, and Brighton twice went close to a third.

But Greene's equaliser, from a Thorpe corner, made the final score 2-2.

**Team: Margetson, Chenery, Rioch, McLaren, Greene, Simpson, Thorpe, Linton, Adcock, Woodsford,**



GREG Rioch

**Matthews.**

**Subs: Issott, Power, Abbey (gk).**

Following just two days after their trip to Brighton, the reserves lost 2-0 at Ipswich last Wednesday, conceding two second half goals.

Martyn Margetson played his second game on loan from Manchester City, with fullback Greg Rioch returning after a long injury layoff.

David Greene was back in the centre of defence, after Eire Under-21 duty.

**Team: Margetson, Chenery, Rioch, McLaren, Greene, Simpson, Power, Linton, Adcock, Woodsford, Thorpe.**

**Subs: Palmer, Woolgar, Abbey (gk).**

The youth team went down 4-2 at Bournemouth in the South East Counties League on Saturday. Luton's goalscorers were Stuart Douglas and Gary Issott.

**Team: Webb, Turner, Palmer, Evers, Thomas, Upson, Keane, Willmott,**



DAVID Greene

## South East Counties League, FA Youth Cup and Southern Junior Floodlit Cup

Sat Aug 13	CRYSTAL PALACE	4-2	Sun Oct 23	Saffron Walden (EJC)	2-3	Sat Feb 4	Southampton	1-1
Sat Aug 20	Wycombe Wanderers	5-0	Sat Oct 29	WIMBLEDON	2-4	Sat Feb 11	OXFORD UNITED	3-1
Sat Aug 27	BRIGHTON	2-3	Sat Nov 5	Brentford	1-3	Sat Feb 18	Bristol Rovers	0-0
Thu Sep 1	Coventry (SJFC Pre)	2-2	Mon Nov 7	STAINES TOWN (FAYC1)	5-0	Sat Feb 25	Colchester United	2-1
Mon Sep 5	Coventry (SJFC Pre)	1-2	Sat Nov 12	BRISTOL CITY	1-2	Sat Mar 4	Wimbledon	1-2
Sat Sep 10	Reading	4-0	Sat Nov 19	Swindon Town	0-1	Sat Mar 11	BRENTFORD	2-2
Sat Sep 17	NORWICH (LC1)	2-0	Mon Nov 28	Wycombe (FAYC2)	0-1	Sat Mar 18	Bristol City	0-3
Sat Sep 24	SOUTHAMPTON	0-2	Sat Dec 3	BOURNEMOUTH	0-1	Sat Mar 25	SWINDON TOWN	0-3
Sat Oct 1	Oxford United	0-3	Sat Dec 10	Tottenham	2-0	Sat Apr 1	Bournemouth	2-4
Sat Oct 8	BRISTOL ROVERS	2-1	Sat Dec 17	TOTTENHAM	2-3	Sat Apr 8	Brighton	
Sat Oct 15	COLCHESTER	7-0	Sat Jan 7	WYCOMBE WANDERERS	5-0	Sat Apr 29	Crystal Palace	
Sat Oct 22	Colchester (LC2)	0-1	Sat Jan 28	READING	1-1			

HOME matches denoted in bold.

**Douglas, Lawrence, Sharpe.**

**Subs: Issott, Barr.**

The club are pleased to announce four new associate schoolboy signings.

**Ben Roberts** (14) from Peterborough has trained with the club for three years, and has represented Peterborough Schools and Cambridgeshire County Schools.

The young left-back was introduced to the club by our Peterborough scout Richard Green.

**Daniel Tate** (14) is a goalkeeper from Bromham, in Bedford, who has trained with the club for over three years and has represented Bedford and District Schools and Bedfordshire County Schools.

Daniel represents the club every Sunday, and in the holidays has joined in Peter Bonetti's training sessions with Juergen Sommer and Kelvin Davis.

**John Challoner** (14) is a right-back from Peterborough, who was introduced by scout

Peter Swan. He has represented Peterborough Schools and Cambridgeshire County Schools.

**Matthew Spring** (15) is a midfield player from Harlow, in Essex, who has represented Lee Valley Schools and Herts County Schools. He has only recently joined the club.



# Rael Brook

THE next London Branch meeting of the Football Supporters Association takes place on Thursday, April 13, at 7pm, at The Ebury Arms, Pimlico Road, Victoria, SW1 (upstairs, entrance through main bar).

Admission is free, with members and non-members welcome, to hear guest speakers including John Hollins, now reserve team coach at QPR, and ex-Hatter Paul Elliott.

The topic for discussion is 'Football In The Community'.



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# CASH IN WITH THE GOLDEN GAMBLE



On Tuesday, one lucky spectator went home with £650 cash after winning the Luton Town FC Golden Gamble! Somebody here today will win another bumper prize..... and all for a £1 stake!

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KEMPSTON Colts Under 12s are the third winners of the club's Team of the Month Award - run in conjunction with the Loyal Luton Supporters Club.

And the team are due to be our guests at today's Division One match against Notts County.

They have been together for four years now, coached by John Moon and Barry Goddard, and on Sunday competed in the semi-finals of the East Anglian Sunday Youth Cup at Bishop Stortford. They are top of their league, and are in the quarter finals of the league cup, having done the double last season.

Yet putting aside their success, the boys have displayed an excellent team spirit and comradery, with the same group staying together over the years to prove an unbeatable combination.

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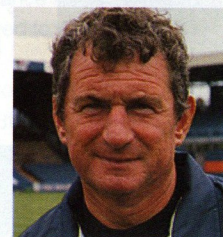
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"WE certainly need four points from the next two games, and I would like to think we could get six from Wolves and Notts County.

"That would do us going into two difficult away games at Bolton and Sunderland." **DAVID PLEAT** speaking before the game against Wolves.



"WE played some great stuff at times, but were devastated to be hit by that sucker punch.

"There were discussions over the stoppage time afterwards, but we paid the price for not defending as a team at the end.

"We made a great start, but for 10 minutes after half-time they've rocked us, but at 3-1 I thought the three points were ours." **JOHN TAYLOR** after Tuesday's 3-3 draw against Wolves.

"WOLVES have had a horrific time with injuries, but then those problems have been exaggerated because it has been highly priced players who have been injured.

"We've had injuries, we haven't had 10 operations, but we've had some serious setbacks.

"Linton has only played a handful of games, Hughes has been a passenger, and Preece had a spell out, as did Dixon, but where we have done well is that we have had, touch

wood, a settled group of back players with Sommer, James, Johnson, Peake and Thomas." **DAVID PLEAT** comparing the fortunes of the two squads prior to Tuesday's game.

"THIS is a move Luton Town must make to survive, but it's a move which can see us prosper in a stadium of which the whole town can be justly proud.

"The club can lead the way in pitch and stadium design in this country, and I urge supporters to back this scheme." **DAVID KOHLER** launching the plans for the Kohlerdome.

"IT does seem to me that as the season gets into its final stages, the teams that have got the base, the teams that are already there, roll on.

"The crowds get behind them and the top five or six are winning; the enthusiasm of the players takes them on." **DAVID PLEAT** on the race for the Premiership.

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The club's primary responsibility through the Safety Officer, Officials, Staff and Stewards will be to ensure the reasonable safety of those attending the stadium.

In the interests of public safety, the safety authority (Beds County Council) have imposed a NO SMOKING restriction in and beneath our main stand. Your co-operation is appreciated.



# Dixie - the world's smallest keeper!



**LEFT: Dixie Deans triumphant after scoring on his debut against Sheffield United.**

IN the summer of 1976 Luton Town manager Harry Haslam took an imaginative trip into the transfer market and presented John 'Dixie' Deans to the Kenilworth Road faithful. Deans, who was an ex-Scotland international, was signed from Glasgow Celtic for what appeared to be a bargain £20,000.

The first game of the season was against newly-relegated Sheffield United at Kenilworth Road and an interested crowd of 10,687 turned up to look at the new boy.

Our first impression was that he did not look like a footballer. Small and dumpy with long hair and seemingly unfit, he was an unlikely hero but our prayers were answered when he scored two goals with his head to sink the Blades.

Considering that the Town were without Alan West, Ron Futchter and Jimmy Ryan, who were

all still playing summer football in the USA, it was a good performance against one of the bookies' favourites for promotion. But it was soon back to the drawing board for Harry Haslam as inconsistent performances failed to live up to the bright start.

Fine away wins at Burnley and Wolves, with Deans scoring in both, had to be compared with defeats at home to Fulham and Southampton by 2-0 and 4-1 respectively.

Frustrating certainly, but for a neutral supporter the football was quite often of the highest order even if the defending sometimes left a little bit to be desired.

Although Deans scored five goals in his first seven games, it became fairly obvious that both he and the now returned Ron Futchter could not lead the attack together, and it was also obvious that Haslam favoured the latter.

After being injured in an away game at Plymouth, Deans found it difficult to force his way back in the side wearing the number nine shirt, and turned out in a variety of forward positions where he was not so effective.

He had one last appearance in that particular shirt however, which proved to be his most memorable performance.

The Town travelled to Notts County on November 27, 1976, in 13th position to take on a team who were four places higher and fresh from a 5-1 win at Fulham the previous week.

The first half gave little clue to the fireworks ahead, and the only incidents of note were the loss to County of their skipper Dave Needham after only seven minutes, due to a groin strain, and the Town taking the lead shortly before the interval - Alan West hit a fierce 25-yard drive that Notts goalkeeper Eric McManus could not hold and was first to the ball to hammer in the rebound.

The Town increased the lead soon after the break when Ron Futchter and John Aston combined in a defence-splitting move which Aston finished off with an accurate left-foot shot.

With the Town apparently coasting to a well earned victory, disaster struck with 20 minutes to go when Luton goalkeeper Keith Barber was stretchered off with broken ribs after a clash with County's Mick Vinter.

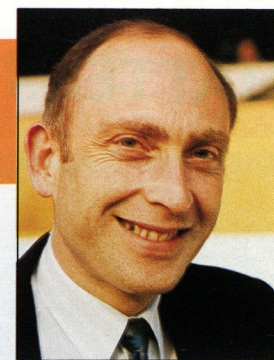
To the great surprise of everyone in the ground the unlikely volunteer for the goalkeeping position was the diminutive Deans, who cut a brilliant picture wearing a shirt several sizes too big for him.

Unorthodox was a word invented for Deans as he threw himself around the box, and the situation so bemused the County players that the Town broke away twice in the final minutes to score through substitute Jimmy Husband and fullback Steve Buckley.

Harry Haslam was obviously pleased after the game, and commented: "At last I have found a position for Dixie! I told him that I had been trying to get Keith Barber to fist out corners like that all season!"

Unfortunately Haslam's pleasure disappeared a fortnight later when Deans was sent off at Bolton and effectively lost us the game.

Dixie did not turn out for the Town again after that and, after a spell at Carlisle, returned to



by **ROGER WASH**

## 5 YEARS AGO

14/4/90: Two first-half goals from Iain Dowie seemed to have set up a rare home win over Everton, but the Toffees fought back and levelled the score in front of a crowd of 9,538.

## 10 YEARS AGO

8/4/85: A fine 4-0 away win at Stoke pushed us away from the bottom places in Division One. This victory set us up for our forthcoming FA Cup semi-final clash with Everton.

## 15 YEARS AGO

7/4/80: A goal from Tony Grealish seemed to have set us up for a three-match winning run over Easter, but Chelsea equalised in the final minute in front of a Stamford Bridge crowd of 28,078.

## 20 YEARS AGO

9/4/75: A two-goal strike from Peter Anderson was enough to secure a 2-1 home win over Championship challenging Everton at Kenilworth Road.

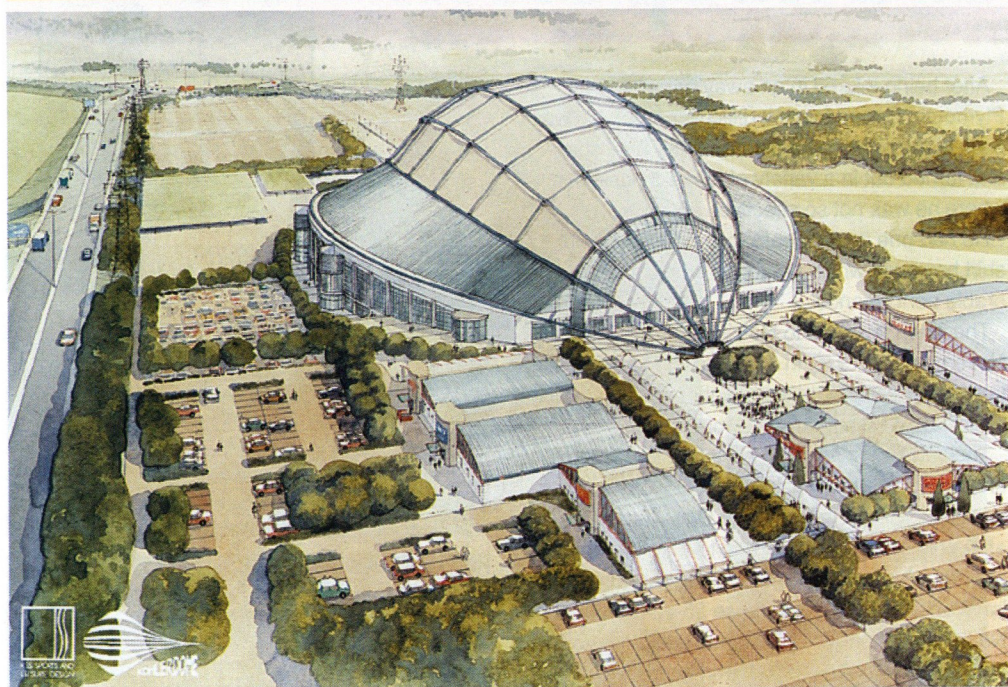
Scotland where it is believed he still runs a pub in Airdrie.

Luton: Barber (Husband), Price, Buckley, Chambers, Faulkner, Paul Futchter, Fuccillo, West, Deans, Ron Futchter, Aston.

Notts County: McManus, Richards, Mann, Probert, Needham (Sims), Stubbs, Carter, Vinter, Bradd, Busby, Scanlon.



## HATTERS PLAN 20,000 CAPACITY, INDOOR STADIUM FOR M1 SITE



AN artist's impression of the Kohlerdome, looking towards the M1 junction 10. The 20,000 seater indoor stadium would be home to the Hatters, and a variety of other events.

LUTON Town have launched revolutionary plans for an indoor stadium.

On Thursday, the Kohlerdome Corporation Ltd and Whitbread Plc announced the launch of a £30 million scheme to relocate Luton Town Football Club from its home at Kenilworth Road Stadium to an out-of-town multi-purpose leisure facility for the 21st century.

And a planning application has been lodged with Luton Borough Council.

The new indoor facility, designed for the future benefit of the club, the people of Luton and surrounding region, will be equipped with a removeable grass pitch.

This will make Luton Town the first club in Britain to adapt modern technology to the national sport. The scheme has received, in principle, support from the Football Association, the FA Premier League, and the Football League.

Its creation will provide Luton with a first-class community, cultural and leisure facility which can be used throughout the year in all conditions, and will endorse the club's reputation as one of the most innovative in British football.

Its planned location is close to junction 10 of the M1 motorway and is within easy reach of the people of Luton. The site has excellent com-

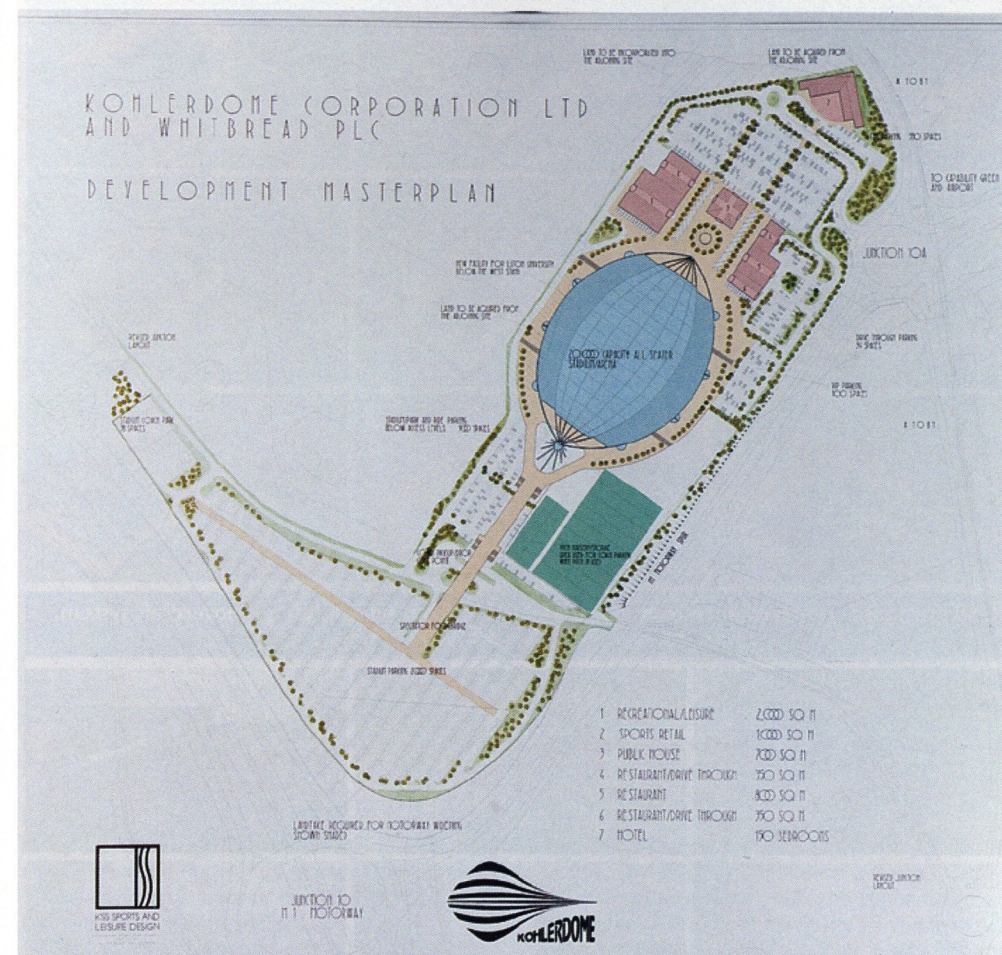
munications potential, and will be landscaped and enhanced to provide an attractive and modern gateway to the modern business parkway of the town.

In addition to the 20,000 seat stadium, there will be a major non-sporting leisure element, providing hotel, restaurants and leisure facilities. Whitbread Plc, one of the country's leading food and drink leisure operators is working closely with The Kohlerdome Corporation on this aspect of the new facility.

Both The Kohlerdome Corporation Ltd and Whitbread Plc hope the scheme will receive the full support of Luton Borough Council, recognising that the proposed development will provide Luton with a wonderful facility for the future and, at the same time, ensure the future viability of the football club.

The club's lease at its cramped Kenilworth Road Stadium expires in 1996, and they have been anxious to relocate for many years, particularly to a new home where spectators can enjoy their entertainment in complete comfort and safety.

Luton Town has sought a move from Kenilworth Road Stadium several times since 1945, but without success. The current stadium has a severely limited capacity (10,017) and is only used for home football matches played by the club. It has a limited potential which has



THE layout of the Kohlerdome complex, which will include a hotel and restaurants

made it very difficult for the football club to remain viable.

In recent years, particularly following the legislation included in the Taylor Report, which followed the tragedies at Heysel and Hillsborough, it has been necessary for all football clubs to review their stadia and to upgrade them. Several have successfully relocated to modern stadia.

These purpose-built football stadia have been expensive to build and furnish, and have only a limited potential for commercial success. This means they cannot properly ensure the future viability of the clubs.

David Kohler, Chairman and Managing Director of Luton Town Football Club, has a vision of a more progressive and rewarding stadium for his club, and formed Kohlerdome Corporation Ltd in order to realise this vision.

"I wanted to ensure the viability of the club,

which has struggled for many years, and I felt this was best done by creating a stadium which could be used seven days a week throughout the year for various different events," said Mr Kohler.

"I also wanted it to be user-friendly, modern, safe and a benefit to the town, the community of Luton, and to the region around us. I wanted to create something of which we could all be proud.

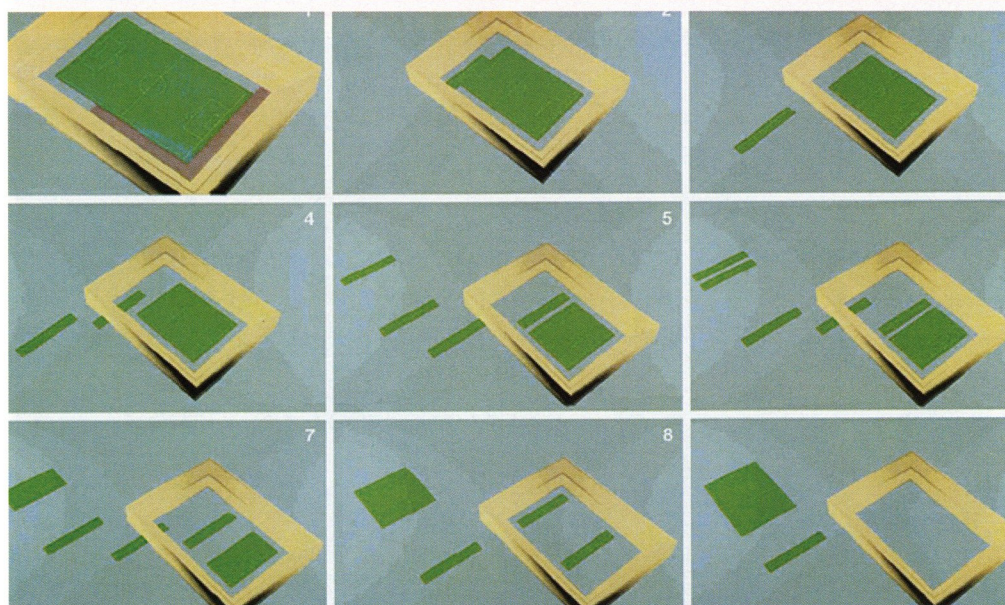
"But my first priority was that it should be a commercially viable project and that the club's future would be secured.

"Ordinary, conventional football stadia are used for 20 to 30 home matches each season, but no more," he added. "That is not enough. We need something else, something that would help the club, the sport - by ensuring safety and proper behaviour - the town and the region.

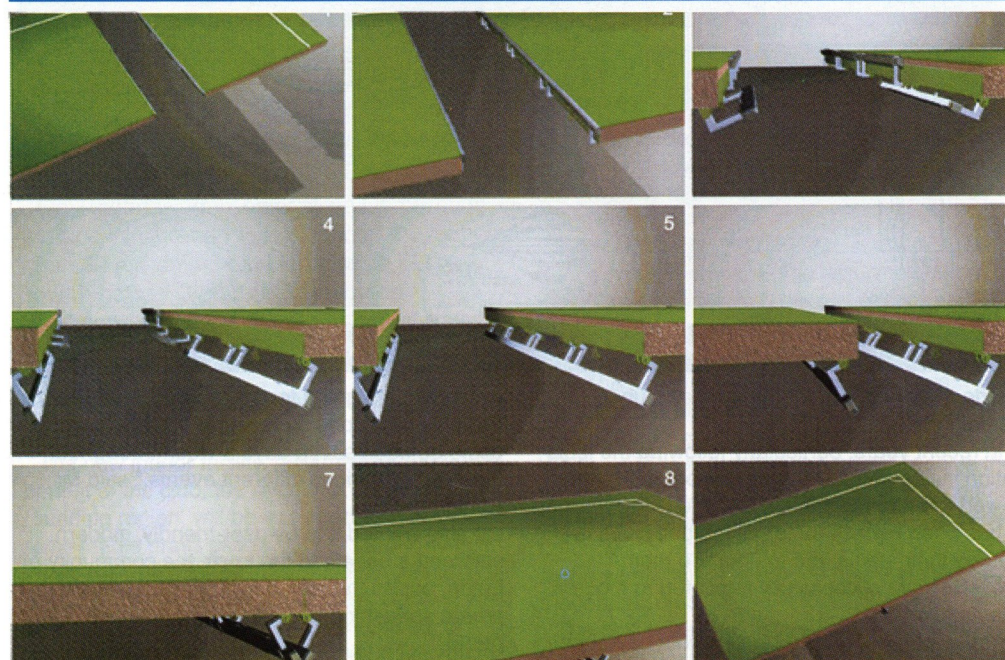
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# ..... MOVEABLE GRASS PITCH FOR NEW INDOOR STADIUM



THE grass pitch is moved in and out of the stadium in strips (above) using a hovercraft system, with the segments locked together (below)



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"I knew from my research, including a close study of the BC Place Stadium in Vancouver and the Pontiac Silverdome in Chicago, that it could be done.

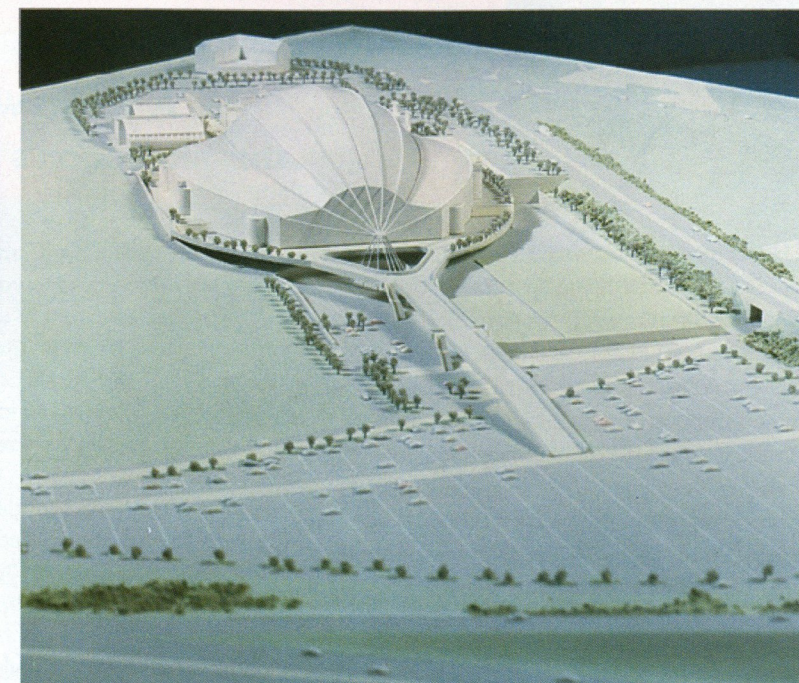
"These stadia permitted many different events to be held on different days, ensuring income from outside sport. All this was brought home when the Silverdome, with its removeable pitch and fixed roof, was used in the World Cup.

"The problem with the Silverdome was that it had a system which needed three days to move the pitch, and three days to move it out..... so, I invented one which required only six or seven hours.

"This means the facility can be used far more often - for concerts, exhibitions, shows, all forms of entertainment and commerce. In short, it is a creation which will be a truly great symbol of progress and achievement for Luton."

Luton Town manager David Pleat welcomed the

RIGHT: This scale model of the Kohlerdome will soon be on display, showing the access routes from the M1 motorway to the new complex at junction 10



announcement of the launch of the club's plan to relocate to an indoor stadium of the future, as "an innovative step for our club, our town and our sport."

Mr Pleat said: "It is an exciting step, a bold one, and one which will ensure we at Luton Town have every chance of regaining our position among the elite clubs in the Premier League in this country.

"To achieve any success, we need the best facilities and the best organisation.

"This project also keeps our club in our town, keeps our team in our town, and once again proves that size is not everything if you have vision, heart, courage, the ability to see what is needed, and the support to achieve it.

"It will be a wonderful opportunity for our players and our supporters, and I hope we will see it succeed in helping attract more and more families from Luton, Bedfordshire and beyond to take pride

in their football club and its achievements."

The Sports Turf Research Institute, based in Bingley, say they are impressed with the scheme for a moveable grass pitch.

"The plans are ambitious and futuristic in concept, but in our opinion entirely justified in terms of it allowing the stadium to have multi-purpose use," said the STRI's assistant director J Perris.

"Perhaps the greatest challenge is not the growing of grass in trays but the ability for you to move these trays and place them in such a way that you can end up with an absolutely perfect surface.

"It appears you have overcome this problem, and the concept of trays being moved in an out so the grass can be grown in suitable open conditions is very exciting.

"Currently, pitches in new stadiums are suffering from the large surrounding structures and in particular the effect of shade."

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## COMMERCIAL CORNER with Kathy Leather

**A warm welcome to Kenilworth Road to this afternoon's match and matchball sponsors**

THIS afternoon we welcome match sponsors LUTON SOMERIES ROTARY CLUB, and matchball sponsors DUNSTABLE HEALTH AND FITNESS CLUB.

The LUTON SOMERIES ROTARY CLUB are embarking on a variety of fundraising projects, and hold regular meetings and functions.

The Rotary Club is the ideal and relaxed forum for business people to get together, and Luton Town are very grateful for the continued support of the area's rotarians.

The Luton Someries Rotary Club are especially keen supporters and fund-raisers for the Luton and Dunstable Hospital.

DUNSTABLE HEALTH AND FITNESS CLUB was established in 1988 as the first club in the area to concentrate on health and fitness. The club are recently under new ownership, and is revived and kicking!

Recent additions of electronic CV equipment has further increased the gym capaci-

ty, and individual programmes and assessments are tailor-made to your requirements as to whether you want to lose weight, tone-up or simply regain fitness.

Being a relatively small, compact gym, personal attention (which is of the utmost importance) is easily achieved with one of their friendly staff.

Opening times are: Monday, 6am to 10pm; Tuesday, 8am to 10pm; Wednesday, 6am to 10pm; Thursday, 8am to 10pm; Friday, 6am to 9pm; Saturday, 9am to 1pm; and Sunday 10am to 1pm.

Membership includes unlimited use of the gym and separate sauna facilities within the above opening times seven days a week.

Sunbeds are also available, and the club are offering a no obligation complimentary trial to sample their facilities.

You can contact the Dunstable Health and Fitness Club on (01582) 609799.

As the season draws to a close, the

**L**UTON Town can cater for everything from business breakfasts, lunches or dinners to birthday/ anniversary celebrations and wedding breakfasts.

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Our catering operation, which prides itself on a personal service, can provide quality refreshments to complement any occasion.

Commercial Department are already busy preparing for the new season which gets underway in August.

We will be pleased to discuss your Executive Box or Sponsorship requirements, so please get in touch on (01582) 411622.

August isn't far away!



KEITH Harvey was our matchball sponsor for Tuesday's game against Wolves. Making the after-match presentations to Mr Harvey are Town stars John Taylor, Mitchell Thomas, Paul Telfer and David Preece.

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# TEAM STATISTICS 1994-95..... see page 4 for up-to-date Division One table

Date	Opponents	F-A	Att	Pos	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	14	GK
Sat Aug 13	WEST BROMWICH ALBION	1-1	8,640	-	Sommer	James	Johnson	(Skelton)	Greene	Peake	Telfer	OAKES	Dixon	Preece	(Houghton)	(Marshall)	(Linton)	Barber
Tue Aug 16	FULHAM CCC 1 (1)	1-1	3,287	-	Sommer	James	Johnson	(Houghton)	Greene	Peake	Telfer	OAKES	Dixon	Preece	(Houghton)	(Marshall)	(Linton)	Barber
Sat Aug 20	Derby County	0-0	13,060	14	Sommer	James	Johnson	(Linton)	Greene	Peake	Telfer	Marshall	Dixon	Preece	Hughes	Skelton	Houghton	Barber
Tue Aug 23	Fulham CCC 1 (2)	1-1	5,134	-	Sommer	James	Johnson	(Linton)	(Greene)	Peake	Telfer	MARSHALL	Dixon	Preece	Hughes	(Oakes)	(Skelton)	Barber
Sat Aug 27	SOUTHEND	2-2	5,918	16	Sommer	(James)	Johnson	Oakes	Greene	Peake	Telfer	(Marshall)	HARTSON	Preece	HUGHES	(Thomas)	(Dixon)	Barber
Tue Aug 30	Tranmere Rovers	2-4	5,480	20	Sommer	James	Johnson	(Skelton)	Greene	Peake	Telfer	Oakes	HARTSON	Preece	HUGHES	Thomas	(Marshall)	Barber
Sat Sep 3	Port Vale	1-0	8,541	15	Sommer	(James)	Johnson	Skelton	Greene	Peake	Telfer	MARSHALL	Dixon	(Preece)	Oakes	(Thomas)	(Woodsford)	Barber
Sat Sep 10	BURNLEY	0-1	6,911	18	Sommer	James	Johnson	(Waddock)	(Greene)	Peake	Telfer	Marshall	Hartson	Preece	Oakes	(Thomas)	(Dixon)	Barber
Tue Sep 13	BOLTON WANDERERS	0-3	5,764	20	Sommer	James	Johnson	Waddock	(Thomas)	Peake	Telfer	Oakes	Dixon	Preece	(Hartson)	(Linton)	(Marshall)	Barber
Sat Sep 17	Watford	4-2	8,880	16	Sommer	James	Johnson	Waddock	Thomas	Peake	TELFER 2	OAKES	DIXON	Preece	Marshall	Hartson	Linton	Barber
Sat Sep 24	Millwall	0-0	7,150	16	Sommer	James	Johnson	Waddock	Thomas	Peake	Telfer	Oakes	(Dixon)	Preece	Marshall	(Hartson)	Skelton	Barber
Sat Oct 1	BRISTOL CITY	0-1	6,633	20	Sommer	James	Johnson	Waddock	(Thomas)	Peake	Telfer	Oakes	(Dixon)	Preece	Marshall	(Hartson)	(Hughes)	Barber
Sun Oct 9	Stoke City	2-1	11,712	18	Sommer	James	Johnson	Waddock	Thomas	Peake	Telfer	Hughes	Hartson	(PREECE)	MARSHALL	(Oakes)	Williams	Barber
Sat Oct 15	MIDDLESBROUGH	5-1	8,412	11	Sommer	James	Johnson	Waddock	Thomas	Peake	Telfer	Hughes	HARTSON	(PREECE)	MARSHALL 2	(Oakes)	Dixon	Barber
Sat Oct 22	Sheffield United	3-1	13,317	7	Sommer	JAMES	Johnson	Waddock	Thomas	Peake	Telfer	Hughes	DIXON	(Preece)	Marshall	(Oakes)	Thorpe	Barber
Sat Oct 29	BARNSELY	0-1	7,212	10	Sommer	James	Johnson	(Waddock)	Thomas	Peake	Telfer	Hughes	Hartson	Preece	(Marshall)	(Oakes)	(Dixon)	Barber
Tue Nov 1	GRIMSBY TOWN	1-2	5,839	13	Sommer	James	Johnson	Waddock	Thomas	Peake	Telfer	(Hughes)	Hartson	Preece	Marshall	(OAKES)	Dixon	Barber
Sat Nov 5	Wolverhampton Wanderers	3-2	26,749	8	Sommer	James	Johnson	Waddock	Thomas	Peake	Telfer	Oakes	(DIXON)	PREECE	MARSHALL	(Hartson)	Thorpe	Barber
Sat Nov 12	Oldham Athletic	0-0	7,907	8	Sommer	James	Johnson	Waddock	Thomas	Peake	Telfer	Oakes	Dixon	Preece	(Marshall)	(Hartson)	Thorpe	Barber
Sat Nov 19	PORTSMOUTH	2-0	8,214	8	Sommer	James	Johnson	Waddock	Thomas	Peake	Telfer	Oakes	DIXON	PREECE	(Marshall)	(Thorpe)	Hartson	Barber
Sat Nov 26	Swindon Town	2-1	9,455	5	Sommer	James	Johnson	Waddock	Thomas	Peake	Telfer	OAKES	(DIXON)	Preece	Linton	Woodsford	(Hartson)	Barber
Sat Dec 3	SHEFFIELD UNITED	3-6	8,516	8	Sommer	James	JOHNSON	Waddock	Thomas	Peake	Telfer	Oakes	Dixon	(Preece)	(Linton)	(HARTSON)	(Marshall)	Barber
Sun Dec 11	DERBY COUNTY	0-0	6,400	9	Sommer	James	Johnson	Waddock	Thomas	Peake	Telfer	Oakes	(Dixon)	Preece	(Allen)	(Hartson)	(Marshall)	Barber
Sun Dec 18	West Bromwich Albion	0-1	14,392	12	Sommer	(James)	Johnson	Allen	Thomas	Peake	Telfer	Oakes	Dixon	Preece	Marshall	(Hartson)	Skelton	Barber
Mon Dec 26	Reading	0-0	11,623	12	Sommer	James	Johnson	Waddock	Thomas	Peake	Telfer	(Allen)	(Dixon)	Preece	Marshall	(Hartson)	(Oakes)	Davis
Tue Dec 27	SUNDERLAND	3-0	8,953	9	Sommer	James	Johnson	Waddock	Thomas	Peake	Telfer	OAKES 2	HARTSON	(Preece)	(Marshall)	(Skelton)	(Williams)	Davis
Sat Dec 31	Notts County	1-0	6,249	8	Sommer	James	Johnson	Waddock	Thomas	Peake	TELFER	Oakes	Hartson	Preece	(Marshall)	Skelton	(Adcock)	Davis
Mon Jan 2	CHARLTON ATHLETIC	0-1	7,642	8	Sommer	(James)	Johnson	Waddock	Thomas	Peake	Telfer	Oakes	Hartson	Allen	Marshall	Skelton	(Adcock)	Davis
Sat Jan 7	BRISTOL ROVERS FAC 3	1-1	7,571	-	Sommer	James	Johnson	Waddock	Thomas	Peake	Telfer	Oakes	HARTSON	Preece	(Marshall)	Williams	(Adcock)	Davis
Sat Jan 14	Barnsley	1-3	4,808	11	Sommer	James	Johnson	Waddock	Thomas	Peake	Telfer	Oakes	DIXON	(Harvey)	Marshall	(Skelton)	Woodsford	Davis
Wed Jan 18	Bristol Rovers FA3	1-0	8,213	-	Sommer	Oakes	Johnson	Waddock	Thomas	Peake	Telfer	Chenery	Dixon	Preece	MARSHALL	Skelton	Woodsford	Davis
Sat Jan 28	SOUTHAMPTON FAC 4	1-1	9,938	-	Sommer	Oakes	Johnson	Waddock	Thomas	Peake	Telfer	BIGGINS	(Dixon)	Preece	Marshall	Skelton	(Williams)	Davis
Sat Feb 4	OLDHAM ATHLETIC	2-1	6,903	10	Sommer	James	Johnson	Waddock	Thomas	Peake	Telfer	Oakes	(Dixon)	Biggins	MARSHALL 2	(Thorpe)	Harvey	Davis
Wed Feb 8	Southampton FAC4	0-6	15,075	-	Sommer	(James)	Johnson	Waddock	Thomas	Peake	Telfer	Oakes	(Biggins)	Preece	Marshall	(Thorpe)	(Dixon)	Davis
Sat Feb 11	Grimsby Town	0-5	4,615	10	Sommer	James	Johnson	Waddock	Thomas	Peake	Preece	Oakes	(Dixon)	(Biggins)	Marshall	(Telfer)	(Woodsford)	Davis
Sat Feb 18	SWINDON TOWN	3-0	6,595	10	Sommer	James	Johnson	Waddock	Thomas	Peake	Telfer	Oakes	(Biggins)	Preece	(MARSHALL 2)	(Dixon)	(Woodsford)	Davis
Tue Feb 21	Portsmouth	2-3	7,363	10	Sommer	JAMES	Johnson	(Waddock)	Thomas	Peake	TELFER	(Oakes)	Dixon	Preece	Marshall	(Harvey)	(Woodsford)	Davis
Sat Feb 25	Bristol City	2-2	7,939	10	Sommer	James	Johnson	Waddock	Thomas	Peake	Telfer	OAKES 2	Dixon	(Preece)	Marshall	Biggins	(Williams)	Davis
Sat Mar 4	MILLWALL	1-1	6,864	10	Sommer	James	Johnson	(Waddock)	Thomas	Peake	Telfer	Oakes	(Biggins)	Preece	MARSHALL	(Dixon)	(Matthews)	Davis
Tue Mar 7	PORT VALE	2-1	5,947	9	Sommer	James	Johnson	(Waddock)	Thomas	Peake	TELFER	Oakes	(Biggins)	Preece	Marshall	(DIXON)	(Matthews)	Davis
Sat Mar 11	Southend United	0-3	4,558	11	Sommer	James	Johnson	Waddock	Thomas	Peake	Telfer	Oakes	(Dixon)	Matthews	Marshall	(Biggins)	Harvey	Davis
Sat Mar 18	TRANMERE ROVERS	2-0	6,660	10	Sommer	JAMES	Johnson	Waddock	Thomas	Peake	Telfer	Oakes	(BIGGINS)	Preece	Marshall	Dixon	(Matthews)	Davis
Tue Mar 21	Burnley	1-2	9,551	11	Sommer	James	Johnson	Waddock	(Thomas)	Peake	Telfer	Matthews	Dixon	(Preece)	MARSHALL	(Harvey)	(Woodsford)	Davis
Sun Mar 26	WATFORD	1-1	7,984	11	Davis	James	Johnson	Waddock	Harvey	Peake	TELFER	(Matthews)	Taylor	Preece	Marshall	(Thorpe)	Adcock	Marg'son
Tue Apr 4	WOLVERHAMPTON W	3-3	9,651	12	Davis	James	Johnson	Waddock	Harvey	Peake	TELFER 2	Oakes	TAYLOR	Preece	(Marshall)	Matthews	(Woodsford)	Sommer
Sat Apr 8	NOTTS COUNTY																	
Tue Apr 11	Bolton Wanderers																	
Sat Apr 15	Sunderland																	
Mon Apr 17	READING																	
Sat Apr 22	Charlton Athletic																	
Sun Apr 30	Middlesbrough																	
Sun May 7	STOKE CITY																	
Sat May 20	FAC Final																	

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PLAYER (figure in bracket = sub app.)	LEAGUE APPS	LEAGUE GOALS	CUP APPS	CUP GOALS	PLAYER (Figure in bracket = sub app.)	LEAGUE APPS	LEAGUE GOALS	CUP APPS	CUP GOALS
Juergen SOMMER	37	-	6	-	John HARTSON	11 (9)	5	1	1
Julian JAMES	39	3	4	-	Gary WADDOCK	33	-	4	-
Marvin JOHNSON	39	1	6	-	Jamie WOODSFORD	(6)	-	-	-
Aaron SKELTON	3 (2)	-	(1)	-	Tony THORPE	(3)	-	(1)	-
David GREENE	6	-	2	-	Paul ALLEN	4	-	-	-
Trevor PEAKE	39	-	6	-	Martin WILLIAMS	(2)	-	(1)	-
Paul TELFER	38 (1)	8	6	-	Tony ADCOCK	(2)	-	(1)	-
Scott OAKES	30 (6)	8	5 (1)	1	Richard HARVEY	3 (2)	-	-	-
Kerry DIXON	23 (5)	7	4 (1)	-	Ben CHENERY	-	-	1	-
David PREECE	35	4	6	-	Wayne BIGGINS	6 (1)	1	2	1
Scott HOUGHTON	1	-	1	-	Rob MATTHEWS	3 (3)	-	-	-
Dwight MARSHALL	33 (5)	11	5 (1)	2	Kelvin DAVIS	2	-	-	-
Des LINTON	3 (2)	-	1 (1)	-	John TAYLOR	2	1	-	-
Ceri HUGHES	8 (1)	2	2	-			4		
Mitchell THOMAS	31 (2)	-	4	-	Own goal				





## TODAY'S OFFICIALS

Today's referee is  
**MICK PIERCE,**  
from Portsmouth.

Mr Pierce, an electrician, was the reserve referee for last season's Division One play-off final. He refereed Luton's home match against Barnsley in October.



D.E. Crick



A.J. Webb

## TODAY'S OTHER DIV ONE MATCHES

Bolton Wanderers v West Brom

Bristol City v Tranmere Rovers

Derby County v Sunderland

Grimsby Town v Reading

Middlesbrough v Stoke City

Millwall v Charlton Athletic

Port Vale v Watford

Portsmouth v Sheffield United

Southend United v Burnley

Swindon Town v Oldham Athletic

Wolves v Barnsley

## TEAM CHECK

### LUTON TOWN

Manager: David Pleat

Kelvin DAVIS  
Julian JAMES  
Marvin JOHNSON  
Gary WADDOCK  
Richard HARVEY  
Trevor PEAKE  
Paul TELFER  
Scott OAKES  
John TAYLOR  
David PREECE  
Dwight MARSHALL

### NOTTS COUNTY

Manager: Wayne Jones

1 Steve CHERRY  
2 Chris SHORT  
3 Gary MILLS  
4 Phil TURNER  
5 Michael FORSYTH  
6 Graeme HOGG  
7 Paul DEVLIN  
8 Devon WHITE  
9 Gary McSWEGAN  
10 Steve NICOL  
11 Andy LEGG  
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