

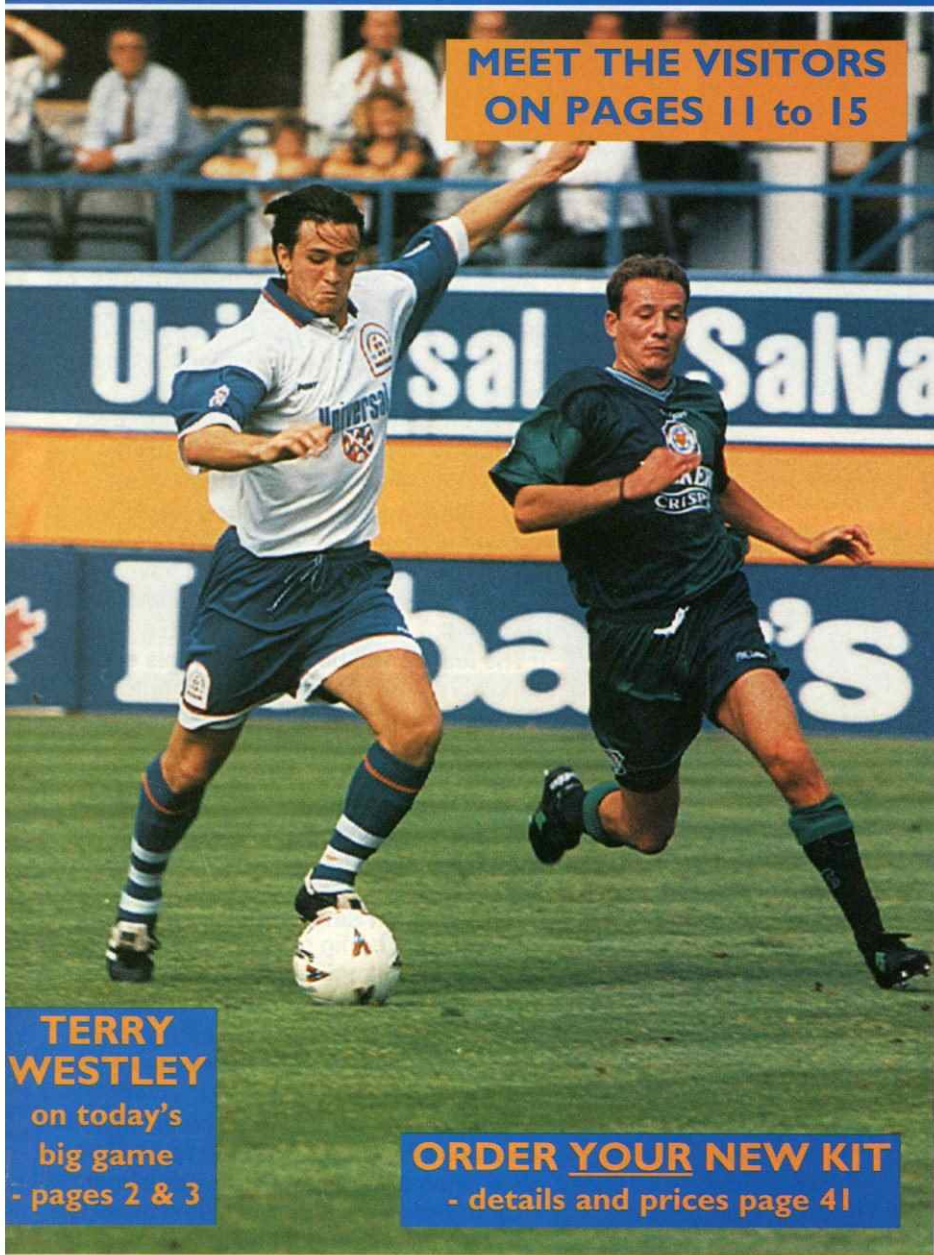
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CHANGES OF PERSONEL WITH PLENTY OF COMINGS AND GOINGS

WE welcome players, supporters, officials and directors from Derby County to Kenilworth Road this afternoon.

For us it follows a valuable point at Grimsby on Tuesday evening with a performance which had many pleasing aspects.

I was pleased in terms of us becoming hard to beat away from home, and the fact that we were really competitive. This is an especially valid point when

discussing the trip to Grimsby as we lost 5-0 there last season.

But now, at home, we have to have the cleverness and attacking flair to win matches.

The league will be very close this season, judging by the first month of matches in Division One.

Some people were saying on Saturday how disappointed they were at Leicester, yet on Wednesday night Mark McGhee's side put four goals past Portsmouth. On the same night, Birmingham, who had seen off Norwich on Saturday, also conceded four.

It emphasises the point of competitive away, with flair at home, but always remembering that you can't afford to give away goals and must base things on achieving a clean sheet.

There seems to have been plenty of comings and goings in a short period of time since my appointment as manager.

On the comings side we believed that the team needed strength in depth, and defensively had to be bolstered because the goalscoring record against was not all it should have been.

It thus made the decision to pay heavily for Steve Davis a straightforward one. I'm sure most people would agree that Davis looks quite an acquisition.

The strength in depth we believe has been



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MANAGER Terry Westley watches from the bench as the Hatters draw 1-1 with Leicester at Kenilworth Road last Saturday.

achieved but needs further inclusions, that of top quality, and this is one of the reasons I shall be flying out after today's game to Denmark to watch a Danish midfielder who is reportedly in the mould of a playmaker, a gifted passer, and maybe the link between the back and the front players.

On the goings side since my appointment, we have obviously lost David Preece and Paul Telfer - two influential players over recent seasons - and this week Juergen Sommer has signed for Queens Park Rangers.

We wish him well, and hope he furthers his career and ambitions. We know that Luton Town and the previous management have given Juergen a marvellous platform on which to start his career, and although he had his critics amongst some sections of the crowd he has the attributes to be an outstanding goalkeeper.

The only decision then is whether the

price is right for Luton Town, and considering Juergen cost the club nothing and within a short period of time has moved for over £600,000 we consider this to be good business.

We are now looking at replacements, and this week welcomed Boskovic Bosko, the Slovenian national keeper, to Kenilworth Road for a trial period.

He has played for Hadrjuk Split, and in World Cup matches for Slovenia.

It has been a demanding first two months as manager regarding the outgoing and incoming of players, but the main priority is, and will always remain, the football and the coaching of the players. We now look forward to the return of one of the outgoing players.

I have been informed that there has not been a home win since April 8 when we beat Notts County.

Let's hope that today the team performs to its full capabilities and sends you away with that home win.

AROUND THE TOWN



LEFT: Town chairman David Kohler and his Southend counterpart Vic Jobson are querying the decisions of the Football League's transfer tribunal.

LUTON Town defender David Greene has been included in the Republic of Ireland's Under-21 squad for their UEFA Championship clash in Austria on Tuesday.

Centre-half David was a regular in Eire's matches last season, and captained the side against England at St James' Park, Newcastle.

But new signing Darren Patterson is set to pull out of the Northern Ireland senior squad for their match against Portugal.

Town chairman questions transfer tribunal rulings

LUTON Town chairman David Kohler is appealing to the Football League against the transfer tribunal decision which valued Steve Davis at £750,000.

The move follows an earlier decision to value Southend centre-half Andy Edwards at £400,000 for a transfer to Birmingham.

Southend have complained to the league that if £750,000 was right for Davis, they deserved the same for Edwards, whilst Mr Kohler is pointing out that if the valuation for Edwards was right then the figure for Davis should be similar.

"Andy Edwards is a centre-half, and so is Steve Davis," said Mr Kohler. "Edwards is nearly 25 and played around 150 games for Southend, whilst Davis is 26 and played about 170 games for Burnley.

"Where's the difference? We say the players are very similar, and if £400,000 was right for Edwards, we are losing out."

Commenting on the departure of Juergen Sommer, Mr Kohler said: "We were faced with a situation where Juergen was out of contract.

There was a possibility over the summer of him going back to America, in which case the fee we would have received for him would have been a pittance compared to what we value him at.

"Queens Park Rangers offered us a fee which we felt would not be bettered at a tribunal, and was one we felt we should accept."

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FRONT COVER: Ceri Hughes prepares to fire Luton Town in front against Leicester at Kenilworth Road on Saturday. More big match action on pages 16-17.
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LEADING THE LINE

by Club Captain **TREVOR PEAKE**



LEFT: Team captain Steve Davis lines up with opposite number Garry Parker, the match officials and mascots, prior to the game against Leicester.

IT has certainly been a varied week, with appearances for the reserves and the first-team, but as I mentioned last week it's all part and parcel of being a professional footballer and it's a challenge to battle for places which we are all involved with.

I was very encouraged by the performances of the reserve side in coming back from a 3-0 deficit to draw 3-3 with Spurs at Kenilworth Road last Wednesday.

The majority of the Tottenham XI played here in the pre-season friendly, so it was a fine performance from us last week and emphasised the strength in depth I feel we have.

You only have to look at our goalscorers, Tony Thorpe, Rob Matthews and Des Linton, to see that we have plenty of competition at present, with Jamie Woodsford looking as lively as ever.

At the back, Ben Chenery showed us all last season in the cup win at Bristol what a good future he has, and all-in-all I was very encouraged.

Then it was back here for the first-team and Leicester City, and I think we can again be very pleased that we more than held our own against one of the sides relegated from the Premiership last season.

This was especially important after losing to Norwich, and I think Leicester and certainly Norwich since their win here, have realised just how competitive this division is.

You have to be prepared to really battle, and that's certainly what we did at Grimsby on Tuesday.

I don't have very many happy memories of Blundell Park, especially last season when we went down 5-0 so soon after the 6-0 defeat at Southampton, but the lads really rolled their sleeves up on Tuesday.

I continued my 'super-sub' role, and replaced Des Linton in midfield, which meant the occasional trip into the opposition's half! Very unfamiliar territory!

Now we have to build on that away point with three at home this afternoon. It was 0-0 against Derby here last year, but we have enjoyed some memorable games against them in recent seasons.

They too have had a change of manager, and a fair number of new players, although one will be very familiar to you.

Keep getting behind the team, and let's continue this unbeaten run.

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Trevor Peake

FROM THE SECRETARY'S CHAIR with Cherry Newbery



IT'S always a pleasure to welcome our long-standing supporters to Kenilworth Road, and this afternoon we would like to wish special congratulations to Frank Russell and his wife who are celebrating their Golden Wedding anniversary today.

Frank has been coming here for 65 years, and hopefully we can provide him and his family with a memorable match on such a special day.

You will read elsewhere in today's programme about the youth team's draw at Coventry in the preliminary round of the Southern Junior Floodlit Cup. The replay was scheduled here for Thursday, and should the boys have been successful we will advise you of the first round details as soon as possible.

Finally a reminder of another busy week at Kenilworth

Road, with the Anglo-Italian Cup match here on Tuesday, and the Reserves

entertaining QPR on Wednesday, kick-off 7.30pm.

A reminder also that next week's home reserve match against Watford, is on Monday, September 11, kick-off 7.30pm.

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Directions courtesy of AA.

Luton Town v Perugia

ANGLO-ITALIAN CUP

Tuesday, September 5, 1995, kick-off 7.45pm

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ENDSLEIGH LEAGUE DIVISION ONE

Saturday, September 9, 1995, kick-off 3pm

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Millwall v Luton Town

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Wednesday, September 13, 1995, kick-off 7.45pm

Pay on the night only at Millwall. Seats only for Luton fans, priced at £12 for adults and £6 for juniors.

Luton Town v Sunderland

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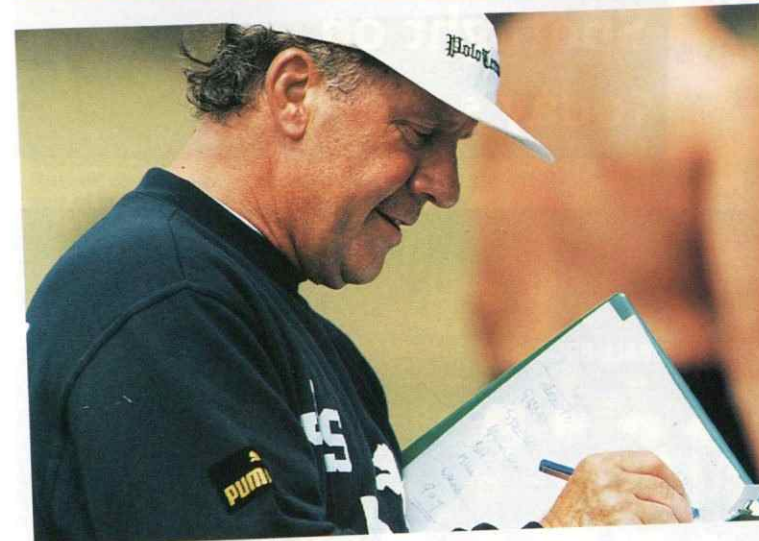


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'BALD EAGLE' SPREADS HIS WINGS AND LANDS IN DERBY!



TO cap it all....
Jim Smith has the
task of returning
Derby County to
the top flight.

JIM Smith, the 54-year-old no-nonsense Yorkshireman, signed a two-year contract with Derby County in mid-June after giving up his role as chief executive of the Football League Manager's Association.

The highly experienced Smith, who has been a league manager for almost 23 years, took over his eighth league club after spells at Colchester United, Blackburn Rovers, Birmingham City, Oxford United, Queens Park Rangers, Newcastle United and Portsmouth.

He is no stranger to success under difficult circumstances having guided Colchester to promotion from the old fourth division in 1974, and then taking Birmingham City into Division One in 1980.

The undoubted highlights of his career arrived during his days at the Manor Ground when Oxford were crowned as champions in successive seasons in the mid-80s as they stormed their way out of the old third division into the top flight.

A League Cup losers medal followed in 1986 with Queens Park Rangers as Smith's side were ironically beaten 3-0 by Oxford just one season after he had left the club to take over at Loftus Road.

When the former Sheffield United, Aldershot, Halifax Town and Lincoln City player moved on to Portsmouth in 1991, he came within a whisker of taking the coast side into the Premiership in his second season in charge.

Portsmouth missed out on promotion by one goal, having been pipped by West Ham, and then were beaten in the play-off semi-finals by Leicester City.

Smith is ready for what he describes as a "new and exciting challenge" in hoping to guide Derby back into the top flight after what will be a five-year absence.

He admitted: "Derby is a football city with a great tradition and deserves the sort of championship success which Brian Clough and Dave Mackay brought to the club.

"Like them, I believe in winning with quality and style.

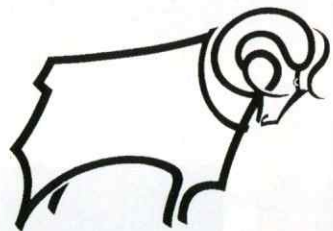
"I would not have given up my position with the Managers' Association for any other club but Derby County. I had one or two other offers, but I was in a position to be selective and for me, Derby was the one."

Derby County Football Club is a club steeped in history and tradition. Formed 110 years ago as an off-shoot of Derbyshire County Cricket Club, Derby County were among the 12 founder members of the Football League when it was initiated in 1888.

At the end of last season the Rams parted company with manager Roy McFarland, now boss of Premiership side Bolton Wanderers, and appointed Smith to the hot-seat.

The 95/96 season promises excitement off the pitch as well, for Derby are redeveloping their famous Baseball Ground at a cost of £10 million into a 26,000 all-seater stadium.

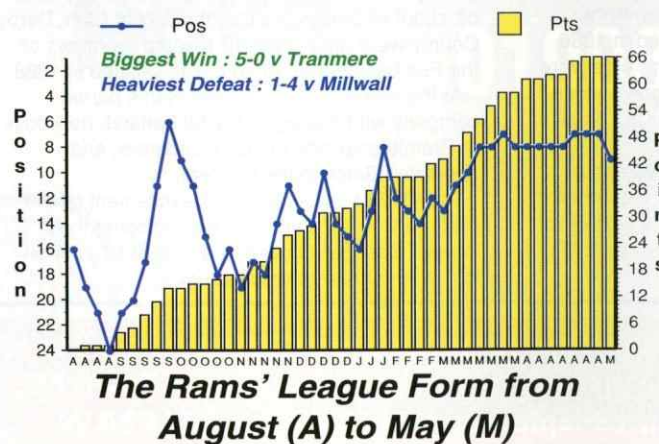
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Spotlight on today's visitors



Back row: l to r: Peter Melville (physio), Lee Carsley, Jason Kavanagh, Darren Wassall, Gary Rowett, Dean Yates, Darryl Powell, Shane Nicholson, Andrew Tretton, Mark Stallard.
Third row: l to r: Steve McLaren (assistant to manager), Billy McEwan (coach), Paul Trollope, Matt Warren, Ian Ashbee, Russell Hoult, Andy Quy, Martin Taylor, Steve Sutton, Craig Smith, John Harkes, Sean Flynn, Eric Steele (goalkeeping coach), Gordon Guthrie (assistant to physio).
Second row: l to r: Steve Round, Wayne Sutton, Dean Sturridge, Paul Simpson, Marco Gabbiadini, Jim Smith (manager), Robin van der Laan, Ron Willems, Chris Boden, Will Davies.
Front row: l to r: Nick Wright, Darren Wrack, Carl Cunningham, Matt Green, Steve Powell, Kevin Cooper.



Left: Derby County's league form last season

Graphics by FOOTBALL INFORMATION SERVICES
(Derby County stats from season 1994/95)

STEVE SUTTON - Signed for Derby in March 1992 although he made his debut in 1985 when he spent 14 matches on loan from Nottingham Forest. Was also on loan at Kenilworth Road before the permanent move to the Baseball Ground, and returned to the Rams first team in October last year after Martin Taylor broke a leg.

RUSSELL HOULT - Injuries to both Martin Taylor and Steve Sutton prompted the Rams to take Russell on loan from Leicester City towards the end of last season, and Jim Smith made that move permanent in the close season with a £300,000 transfer.

JASON KAVANAGH - A product of the FA School at Lilleshall, Jason has continued to develop at the Baseball Ground following his tribunal fixed move from Birmingham City while still 16.

SHANE NICHOLSON - Despite being only 21 when Derby signed him from Lincoln City, had already played 150 league games for the Red Imps following his debut as a 17-year-old.

DARREN WASSALL - Seen as Des Walker's replacement at Nottingham Forest when the England defender left for Sampdoria at the end of the 91/92 season, but opted to join Derby in a £550,000 deal.

GARY ROWETT - Came to Derby at the start of the season as part of the deal which took Craig Short to Everton. The former Cambridge midfielder is valued at over £200,000 and has played at sweeper for the Rams in the opening games.

DARRYL POWELL - Jim Smith went back to Portsmouth to sign Powell for £750,000. The 23-year-old can play in defence or midfield.

DEAN YATES - Former Notts County centre-half joined Derby earlier this year and had to undergo a cartilage operation in the close season.

ROBIN VAN DER LAAN - Jim Smith's fifth signature in as many weeks came from Port Vale in a £675,000 deal which saw Rams striker Lee Mills travelling in the other direction. The 26-year-old was made skipper by Smith on his first appearance.

LEE CARSLY - Former youth team skipper at the Baseball Ground, who broke into the first team last season making 28 appearances.

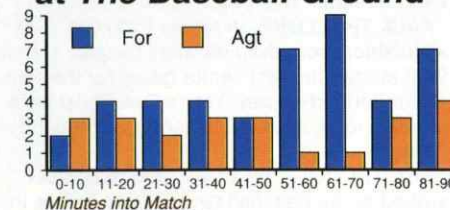
KEVIN COOPER - Turned pro in the summer of 1993 after a successful stint in the youth team, and was a consistent player in the reserves last season.

JOHN HARKES - Versatile midfielder and USA international who joined Derby from Sheffield Wednesday for £800,000 in August 1993.
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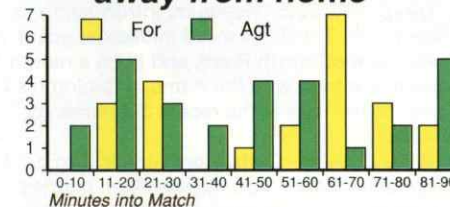


MARCO Gabbiadini v Port Vale

When Goals were scored at The Baseball Ground



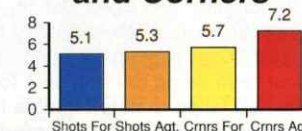
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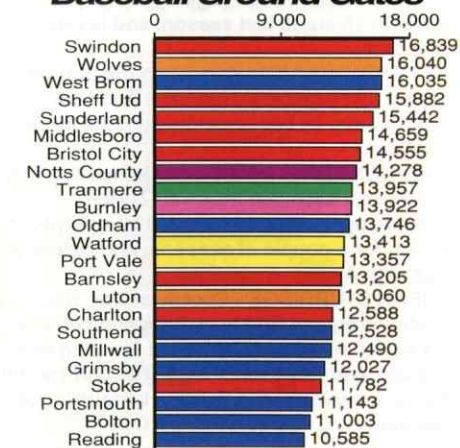
Average Goals per Match



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DERBY COUNTY 1995/96

WAYNE SUTTON - Derby-born and in his second year as a pro. Made his senior debut as a midfielder in the FA Cup third round tie at Everton earlier this year.

PAUL TROLLOPE - A recent £100,000 acquisition from third division Torquay United, Paul started his first senior game for the Rams at Sunderland on new Year's Eve whilst on a month's loan. Started his career with Swindon Town.

SEAN FLYNN - The 27-year-old midfielder arrived at the Baseball Ground just before the start of the current season from Coventry City, in a £1 million exchange deal involving last year's Derby club captain Paul Williams. Flynn was valued at £250,000 in the deal.

DAVID PREECE - Needs no introduction to Town fans. The 32-year-old midfielder spent 10 years at Kenilworth Road, and is on a month-to-month contract with the Rams, notching his first goal for the club in the recent 3-2 defeat at Reading.

WILL DAVIES - Derby-born striker who got his first-team chance last season when injuries stretched the resources of Roy McFarland's squad.

MARCO GABBIADINI - Derby broke the seven figure transfer barrier for only the second time in their history when they lured the England B striker from Crystal Palace in February 1992. The £1 million fee equalled the price paid to Oxford for Dean Saunders in 1988, but within six months of Marco's arrival the Rams wrote seven-figure transfer cheques a further four times! Formerly with York and Sunderland before his move to Palace.

PAUL SIMPSON - Made his league debut for Manchester City aged just 16, and joined Derby from Oxford in February 1992 for £500,000. A prolific scorer from the wing, with his nine goals last term being the first time for several seasons he had failed to notch double figures.

MARK STALLARD - Has progressed through the junior ranks at the Baseball Ground, and made his league debut aged just 16. Scored four goals in 15 starts last season, and is rated a top prospect.

DARREN WRACK - Came into the first team during last season's Christmas and New Year programme, as has recently signed a three-year contract.

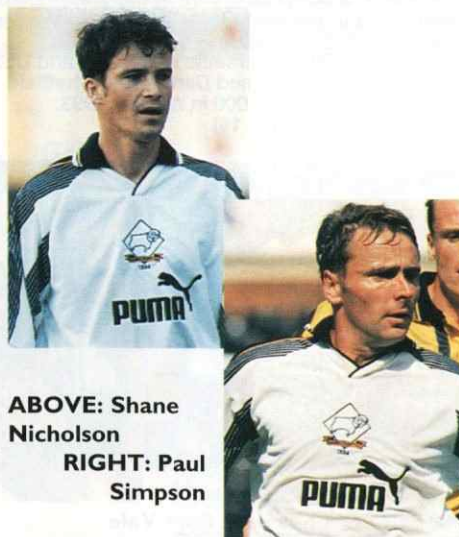
RON WILLEMS - Striker who joined the Rams in July in a £300,000 deal with Zurich Grasshoppers. The 28-year-old had played in Zurich for a couple of seasons, and before that was with Ajax.

DEAN STURRIDGE - Speedy striker who has made infrequent first team appearances since his debut in 1990/91. Scored at Reading this season, and has been a regular scorer for the Rams' reserves in the Pontins League in recent seasons.

Look out for.....



MIDFIELDER Robin van der Laan joined Derby from Port Vale in the summer. He is pictured above in action against his former club earlier this season. (You can meet the Derby County manager on page 11 this week).



ABOVE: Shane Nicholson
RIGHT: Paul Simpson

A Hatter and ...a Ram

One of the best left-backs in the Town's history, STEVE BUCKLEY, became a firm favourite at Kenilworth Road before moving to Derby in a big money transfer and earning cult hero status on the terraces at the Baseball Ground.

Born at Brinsley in October 1953, Buckley was signed by Luton boss Harry Haslam for a nominal fee from Burton Albion in April 1974 although it was reserve team coach David Pleat, using his knowledge of Midlands non-league football, who could be given all the credit.

It was not long before Buckley was given his debut in October 1974 in the away game at Leicester, and his cultured left foot and surging runs down the wing soon became a feature of the Town's play as he remained virtually ever-present until being transferred to Tommy Docherty's Derby for £165,000 in January 1978.

"I have now got the two best young fullbacks in the country at Derby in Buckley and David Langan," enthused Docherty, and Buckley for one proved him right by making 323 league appearances at the Baseball Ground to add to the 123 he

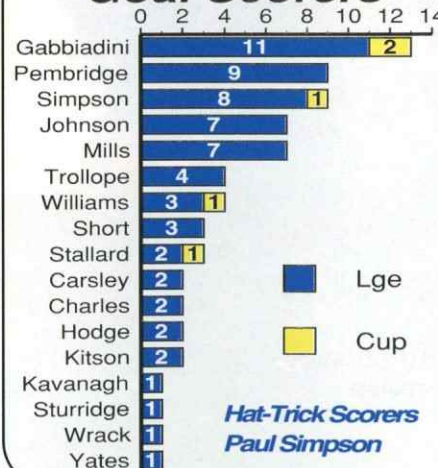


earned at Luton.

Finally released by Derby in August 1986, Buckley had one final season, at Lincoln, where he made 36 appearances before hanging up his boots.

Scorer of 32 league goals in his career, which is not bad for a fullback, with some of them spectacular. Does anyone remember the screamer at Bristol Rovers in September 1977? - Roger Wash.

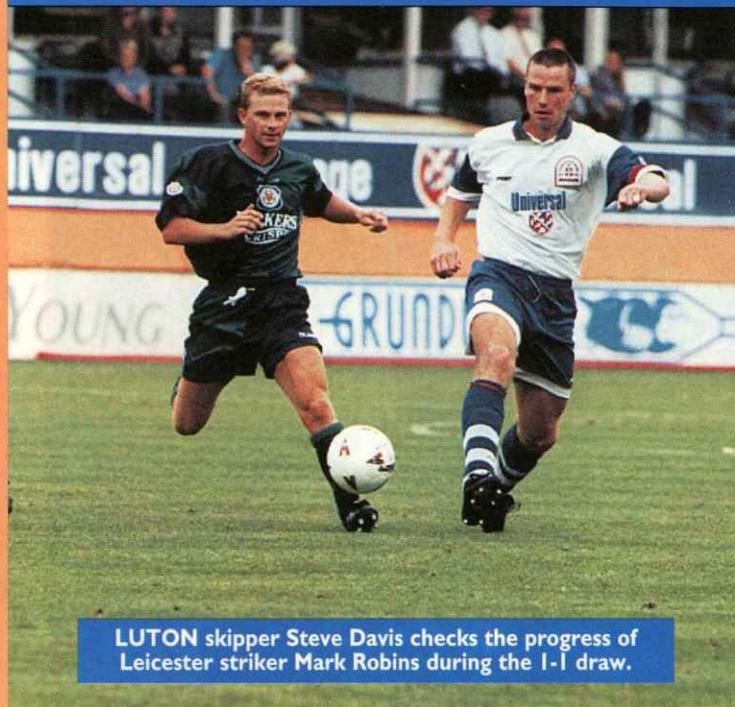
Goal Scorers



How 66 Goals were Scored



LUTON TOWN v LEICESTER CITY



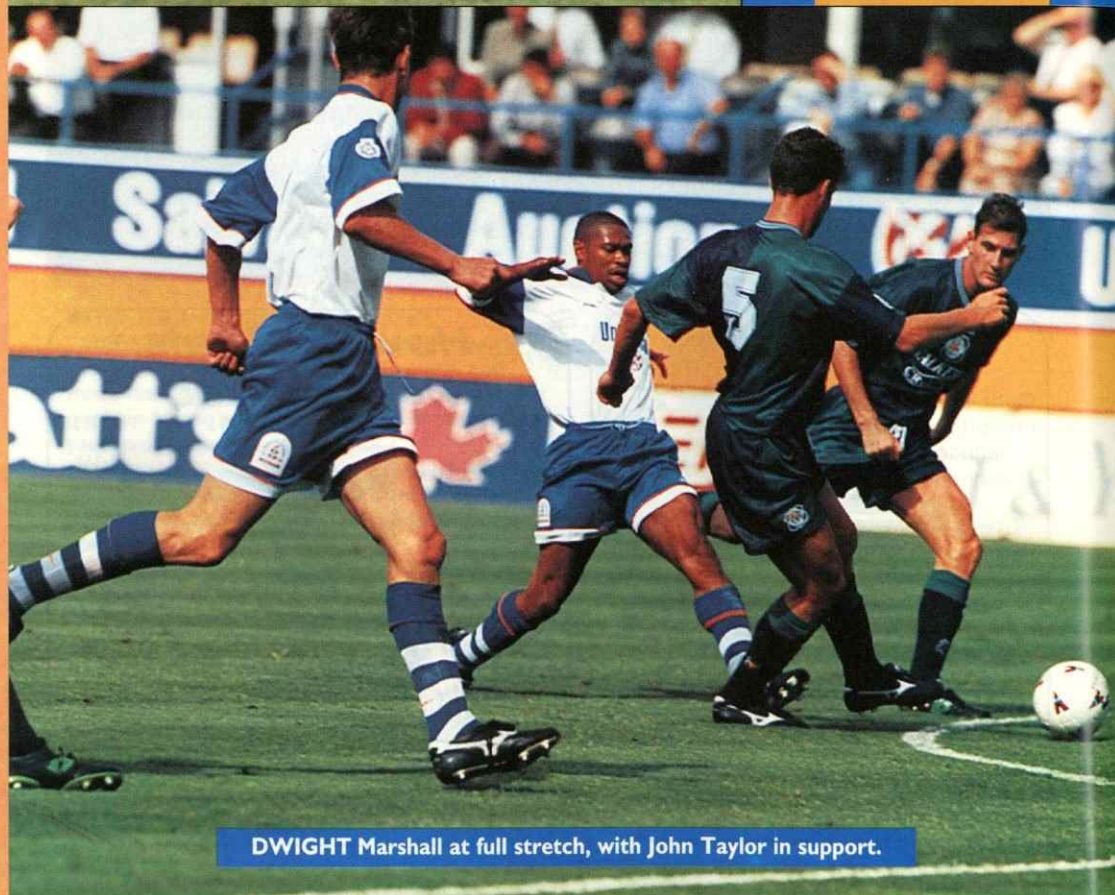
LUTON skipper Steve Davis checks the progress of Leicester striker Mark Robins during the 1-1 draw.

From
Kenilworth Road

Date
August 26, 1995

Result
Luton Town 1
(Hughes)
Leicester City 1
(Parker)
Attendance 7,612

Pictures by
ANDY HANDLEY



DWIGHT Marshall at full stretch, with John Taylor in support.

LEICESTER'S Iwan Roberts and Des Linton, who started his career at Filbert Street challenge for possession.



GAVIN Johnson, our summer signing from Ipswich, made his Luton debut against Leicester.

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HARRY OF THE HATTERS

QUIZ NIGHT + DISCO FOR JUNIOR HATTERS

LOOK out for Happy Harry at this afternoon's game.....

YOU should have all now received your information packs and membership details, and here's a reminder of the wide variety of events planned for the new-look Junior Hatters club:

The Junior Hatters Quiz Night takes place on Monday, September 11, in the Hatters Bar, from 6pm to 8pm.

It's £1 per child, and is open to Under 16s only, with teams being selected on the night.

Please book as soon as possible with the Community Office.

The popular Saturday Club has started again for Junior Hatters on home matchdays, meeting at Dallow Road Junior School at 12 noon.

The cost is £6.50, which includes your match ticket, (£3.50 for season ticket holders), lunch and supervised activities, with a visit from a

Town player.

Parents can pick up their children from outside the ticket office after the game. Please bring trainers and a drink.

We are also starting up a Thursday Club for all Junior Hatters, to be held at the Luton Regional Sports Centre at Stopsley, every Thursday evening starting on September 7. The cost is £1, from 5 to 6pm.

The Junior Hatters Disco, planned for September 14, has been postponed. But we are hoping to organise a new date in the very near future.

For more details about these or any Junior Hatters events, contact Sam Walsh on (01582) 411622.

She would also like to hear from anyone interested in helping out with supervising at the various events, especially Saturday Club.

Call Sam for details of a Junior Hatters trip to Reading on September 9.

The cost is just £8 for Junior Hatters, and £10 for non-members and adults, and these prices include your match tickets.

MATCH DAY MASCOT

Name: Sian O'Brian

Age: 10

School attended:

Streetfield Middle School

Favourite Town player:

Scott Oakes and Kelvin Davis

Other hobbies:

Swimming, netball, tennis

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with: Dad, and brother Matthew who is also a Junior Hatter



DARREN BADGER was our Junior Hatters mascot last Saturday. He is pictured above with Bontcho Guentchev and Richard Harvey, and left with Happy Harry!

FOR ALL DETAILS ABOUT OUR NEW-LOOK JUNIOR HATTERS PLEASE CONTACT SAM WALSH ON (01582) 411622



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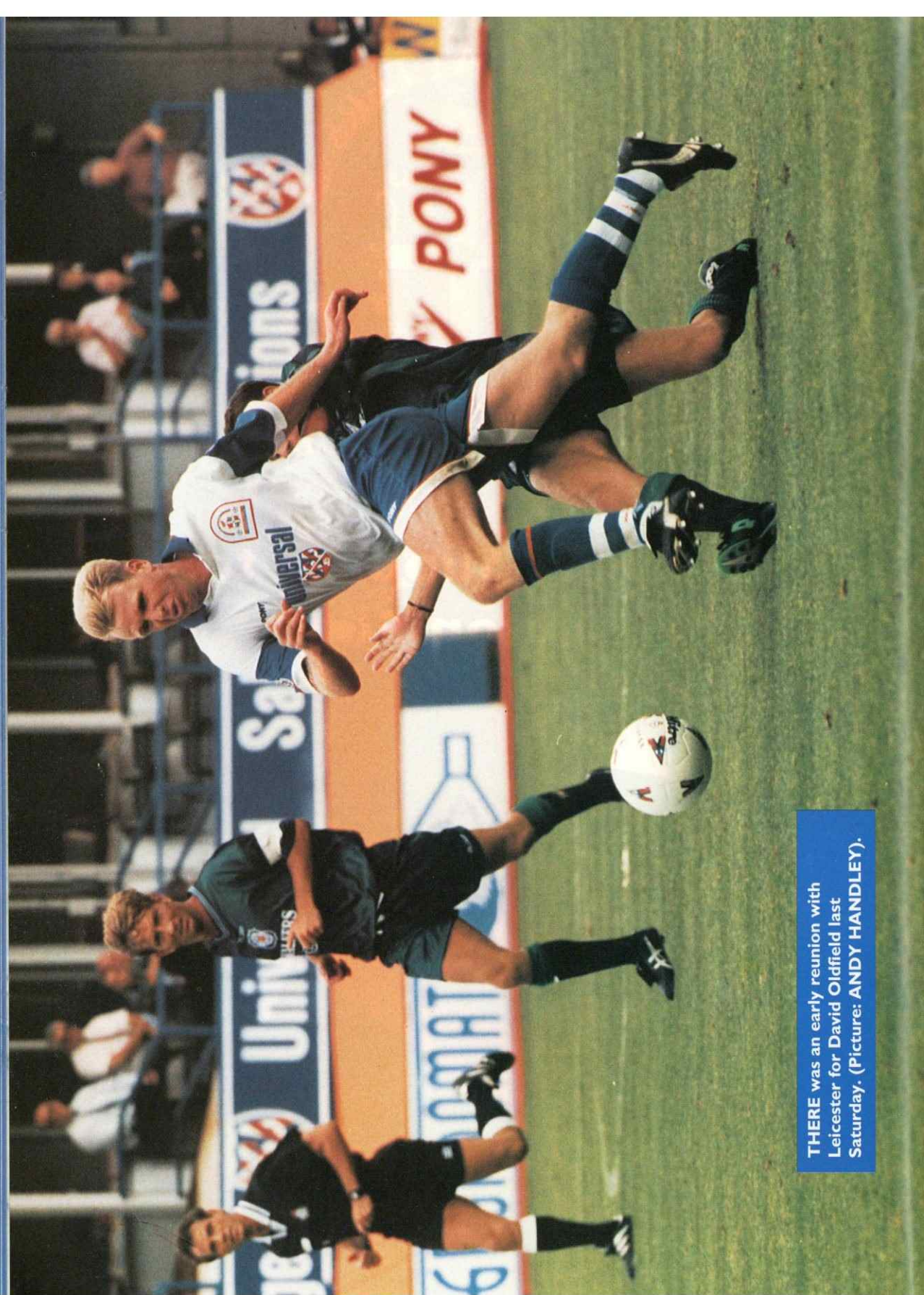
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THERE was an early reunion with Leicester for David Oldfield last Saturday. (Picture: ANDY HANDLEY).

GRAB A PIZZA THE ACTION!



ANGLO-ITALIAN CUP COPPA ANGLO ITALIANA 1995-96

FORMER Town striker **TONY ADCOCK**, now with Colchester United, featured on Israel's equivalent of the 'Nine 'O' Clock News' recently!

Following the unsavoury antics of some members of the Hapoel Haifa squad on their flight into Stansted Airport prior to a friendly at Colchester, Israeli National Television contacted a local production company to provide footage of the game.

The Hapoel Haifa players' arrests had made national headlines back home in Israel and immediately after the match, a televised copy of the game was rushed down to ITN's London headquarters and sent via satellite to Jerusalem.

So that Sunday evening, Tony's goal, along with that of Steve Whitton's and Hapoel's early effort, was broadcast on Israeli TV.

LUTON Town are pleased to announce exclusive trips to Italy to watch the Hatters play in Genoa in the Anglo-Italian Cup on October 11.

Package 1

Enjoy a three-day break in the luxurious surroundings of the 5-star Imperial Palace Hotel.

Depart Kenilworth Stadium on Tuesday morning, October 10, travelling with playing staff and management on the Club coach.

The flight from Gatwick to Genoa follows, and you will be provided with executive tickets to the match the following day.

The return flight to Gatwick is on Thursday morning, and you are due back in the UK at 2pm.



Genoa



Perugia (see p8,9 & 20)

Cost: £450. (for full details contact the Commercial Department on 411622)

Package 2

This Supporters Special is for a two-day stay in Genoa, with bed and breakfast in a 3-star hotel.

You depart Gatwick on a British Airways scheduled flight on Wednesday morning, with the game on Wednesday afternoon.

The return flight is on Thursday afternoon, arriving back at Gatwick at 2pm.

The price of £245 does not include match ticket, transfer from hotel to match, food, or a single supplement (if required) of £20. There is also an optional extra of a city tour, costing £20.

For full details and bookings contact: Skyline Holidays on (01582) 26454.

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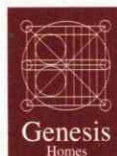
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INJURY UPDATE.....

with LTFC physio Clive Goodyear

GOOD news for Scott Oakes! He had a scan on his troublesome hamstring last week and it showed no major damage, so hopefully he should be able to make his seasonal debut soon.

As I said last week, it is just too risky to rush a player back after this type of injury, but it was nevertheless a boost to receive the specialist's verdict.

I also mentioned Ceri Hughes last week and his hard work over the summer. He returned with a goal against Leicester, but then tweaked an ankle in training and missed the trip to Grimsby. It's nothing serious, but his suspension means there is a useful recovery time for him.

Supporters will no doubt have seen two players suffer injuries against Leicester - John Taylor and Julian James.

John received a bruise on the calf and was fit to play at Grimsby, as was Julian despite his three stitches over the right eye.

We have been working this week with Darren Patterson to overcome his achilles injury, which is really a case of wear and tear caused by the hard grounds.

Darren has been running, and at the time of writing was due to rejoin full training later this week.

One or two players have complained of aches from the hard grounds. Nothing serious, but we could do with some rain!

Extra time!

'ENDSLEIGH LEAGUE EXTRA' the comprehensive goals show has returned to ITV on Monday nights.

Presented by Gabriel Clarke, 'Endsleigh League Extra' will broadcast all the goals from the weekend's matches in all three Endsleigh League divisions.

The show also includes features with the league's leading characters, and a regular nostalgic dip into the ITV archives.

Broadcast times may vary in the ITV regions.



RIGHT: Ceri Hughes

FORMER Brighton player Robert Codner has joined the Hatters for a trial period, after being released by the south coast side.

Formerly with Enfield and Barnet, the midfielder has also been interesting Birmingham, and his former Barnet boss Barry Fry. He played 315 games for Brighton, scoring 47 goals, and played for the Town in Tuesday night's reserve team game at Portsmouth.

Manager Terry Westley said: "It is an opportunity for him to show us what he can do, and he knows he has to do very well to earn a contract."

LTFC EVACUATION PROCEDURE

IN the event of any emergencies at Luton Town Football Club, the emergency services and the club have agreed on an evacuation policy which is designed to:

- Ensure the safe and controlled evacuation of the ground.
- Ensure the dispersal of the crowd from the area to allow the emergency services to carry out their tasks.

In the event of an evacuation of all or part of the stadium, you will receive instructions over the public address system on how you should leave the stadium. Stewards will direct you to the nearest exit. It may be that your normal exit route will not be available.

On leaving the stadium, you will find some roads closed to pedestrian traffic, to enable swift and unobstructed arrival of the emergency services.

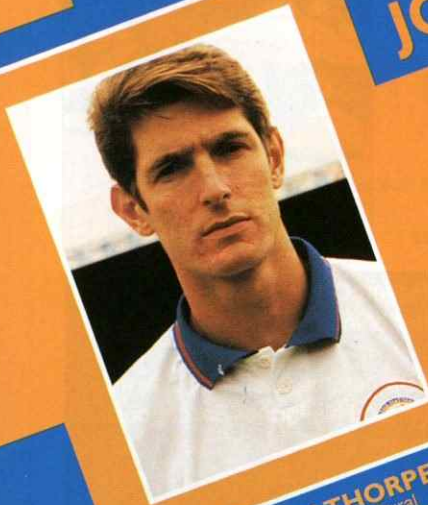
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COACHING COURSES - 1995

COACHING CLINICS

- Coaching Clinics are a Luton Town Football Club 'Football in the Community' activity
- They offer children a well organised coaching programme supervised by experienced, qualified Football Association coaches
- The programme includes:
 - Technique coaching, designed to help boys and girls enjoy and improve their football whilst encouraging good attitudes and behaviour
 - Small-sided game medals
 - Best attitude awards
 - Certificate for every participant
 - Free match ticket (if accompanied by an adult)
 - Meet a Luton Town player

WHO CAN TAKE PART? - All boys and girls between 5 and 14 years old, regardless of their footballing ability

We are already planning our October half-term courses, and full details will be announced on this page as soon as we have them. Thank-you to everyone who has taken part in the summer events, we hope you enjoyed them, and look forward to seeing you again soon.

Date for your diary

A VIEW FROM THE BOOTROOM, with Luton Town manager Terry Westley.

Thursday, October 26, 1995, from 7 to 9pm in the Hatters Bar

Your chance to question a Luton Town panel headed by manager Terry Westley, and assistant manager Mick McGiven, about the day-to-day happenings at a football club. An ideal opportunity for coaches and managers in the area to discuss the tactics of the game, and for youngsters to learn about making their way in the professional game.

Cost - £10 (includes free match ticket). £5 for Junior Hatters.

Club Tours

GROUPS ONLY - Tour of ground to include changing rooms, through the tunnel to the pitch etc, plus burger and chips + drink.

School holidays only, with group sizes of approximately 20.....£5 per person

For details of community events, contact Colwyn Rowe at: Football in the Community, LTFC, Kenilworth Road Stadium, 1 Maple Road, Luton, Beds, LU4 8AW, or telephone on (01582) 411622.

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Mon Aug 14	Swindon Town (A)	drew 1-1
Wed Aug 23	Tottenham H (H)	drew 3-3
Tue Aug 29	Portsmouth (A)	drew 1-1
Wed Sep 6	QPR (H)	7.30
Mon Sep 11	Watford (H)	7.30
Wed Sep 20	Crystal Palace (H)	7.30
Tue Sep 26	West Ham Utd (A)	7pm
Wed Oct 4	Bristol City (H)	7.30
Wed Oct 11	Brighton (A)	2pm
Wed Oct 18	Charlton Ath (H)	7.30
Wed Oct 25	Ipswich Town (A)	7.30
Wed Nov 1	Wimbledon (A)	2pm
Wed Nov 8	Norwich City (H)	7.30
Wed Nov 15	Oxford Utd (A)	7.30
Wed Nov 22	Southampton (H)	7.30
Tue Nov 28	Arsenal (A)	3pm
Wed Dec 6	Bristol Rovers (H)	7.30
Mon Dec 11	Chelsea (A)	7pm
Wed Dec 20	Millwall (H)	7.30
Wed Dec 27	Tottenham H (A)	7.30
Wed Jan 3	Portsmouth (H)	7.30
Tue Jan 9	QPR (A)	7pm
Tue Jan 16	Watford (A)	2pm
Tue Jan 23	Crystal Palace (A)	2pm
Wed Jan 31	West Ham Utd (H)	7.30
Wed Feb 7	Bristol City (A)	7.30
Wed Feb 14	Brighton (H)	7.30
Wed Feb 21	Charlton Ath (A)	7pm
Sat Feb 24	Ipswich Town (H)	2pm
Wed Mar 6	Wimbledon (H)	7.30
Wed Mar 13	Norwich City (A)	7.30
Wed Mar 20	Oxford Utd (H)	7.30
Wed Mar 27	Southampton (A)	7.30
Wed Apr 3	Arsenal (H)	7.30
Wed Apr 10	Bristol Rovers (A)	7.30
Wed Apr 17	Chelsea (H)	7.30
Mon Apr 22	Millwall (A)	7pm
Wed May 1	Swindon Town (H)	7.30

All home matches to be played at Kenilworth Road until further notice.

Reserves & Youth

WITH WAYNE TURNER AND JOHN MOORE



THE Town's Reserve side have continued their unbeaten start to the Avon Insurance Combination with draws against Tottenham and Portsmouth.

They recovered from a 3-0 deficit to draw 3-3 with Spurs at Kenilworth Road last Wednesday.

Jamie Clapham and Darren Caskey gave the Londoners a 2-0 half-time lead, and Andy Turner made it 3-0 three minutes after the break.

But the Hatters hit back on 51 minutes from the penalty spot; Tony Thorpe converting after he himself had been fouled.

It was 2-3 on 55 minutes, when Des Linton converted Gavin Johnson's cross, and Thorpe then set up Rob Matthews for the equaliser after 67 minutes.

The former Notts County striker came close to a winner, but Spurs held on.

Team: Davis, Linton,

G.Johnson, Skelton (Chenery), Greene, Peake, Matthews, McLaren, Woodsford, Hughes (Jones), Thorpe (Issott).

Rob Matthews was again on target in the 1-1 draw at Portsmouth on Tuesday.

Former Brighton and Barnet player Robert Codner played for the Town, starting a trial period at the club (see page 27 for more details).

Team: Barber, Chenery, Thomas, Waddock, Greene, Skelton, Matthews, Codner, Issott (Woolgar), Thorpe, Jones.

Subs not used: Power, Evers.

The Youth team scored their second win of the South East Counties season on Saturday, with a 2-0 home win over Colchester.

Andrew Fotiadis and Chris Willmott (penalty) were the Town scorers.

Team: Abbey, Willmott, Sharpe, Sweeney, Jones, Upson, Kean, Evers, Douglas, Fotiadis, Smith.



TONY Thorpe



ROB Matthews



DES Linton

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

Sat Aug 12	Crystal Palace (H) lost 5-2	Sat Oct 28	Brighton & Hove Albion(A)	Sat Jan 27	Oxford United (A)
Sat Aug 19	Swindon Town (A) won 3-1	Sat Nov 4	Barnet (H)	Sat Feb 3	AFC Bournemouth (H)
Sat Aug 26	Colchester U (H) won 2-0	Sat Nov 11	Reading (A)	Sat Feb 10	Bristol City (A)
Mon Aug 28	Coventry (SJFC) (A) 1-1	Sat Nov 18	Southampton (A)	Sat Feb 17	Wimbledon (H)
Sat Sep 2	Wycombe Wanderers (A)	Sat Nov 25	LC3	Sat Feb 24	Brentford (A)
Sat Sep 9	Oxford United (H)	Sat Dec 2	Tottenham Hotspur (H)	Sat Mar 2	Brighton & Hove Albion(H)
Sat Sep 16	Cambridge Utd (LC1) (H)	Sat Dec 9	Bristol Rovers (A)	Sat Mar 9	Barnet (A)
Sat Sep 23	AFC Bournemouth (A)	Sat Dec 16	Bristol Rovers (H)	Sat Mar 16	Reading (H)
Sat Sep 30	Bristol City (H)	Sat Dec 30	Crystal Palace (A)	Sat Mar 23	Southampton (H)
Sat Oct 7	Wimbledon (A)	Sat Jan 6	Swindon Town (H)	Sat Mar 30	Tottenham Hotspur (A)
Sat Oct 14	Brentford (H)	Sat Jan 13	Colchester United (A)	All home matches to be played at Luton Rugby Club.	
Sat Oct 21	LC2	Sat Jan 20	Wycombe Wanderers (H)		

Subs (all used): Barr, Lawrence, George.

On Monday evening, the team travelled to Highfield Road, Coventry, for the preliminary round of the Southern Junior Floodlit Cup.

They opened the scoring through Chris Willmott, but were pegged back by a Robert Sharpe own goal which meant a replay - due to be played at Kenilworth Road on Thursday evening.

"Our performance at Coventry was a big improvement on the display against Colchester," said coach John Moore.

"We played on the main pitch at Highfield Road, and that seemed to give the lads confidence to play some good football on the excellent surface.

"We have set the standards, and we must now maintain them."

Team: Abbey, Willmott, Sharpe, Sweeney, Jones, Upson, Augustine, Evers, Douglas, Fotiadis, Smith.

Subs (all used): Kean, Turner, George.

Ticket topic for first FSA meeting

THE Football Supporters Association (London Branch) open their season of meetings with what promises to be a lively discussion on Thursday, September 14, at 7pm.

The subject of the 'Question Time' style forum is 'Ticket Prices - Value for Money or a Rip Off?', and the guest speakers are Chelsea chairman Ken Bates, West Ham Chief Executive Peter Storrie, Leyton Orient chairman Barry Hearn, and Tom Hendry MP, the Chair of the All-Party Football Committee.

The venue is The Ebury Arms, Pimlico Road, Victoria, SW1, and admission is free.

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"The system we are playing seems to get better with every game, and it obviously takes time to get used to, and each player has to get used to those around him. The system allows me to come forward and I have the confidence to do that, knowing there will still be two behind me, and I do like the opportunity to shoot!

"I feel I am fitting in well at the club, and we have been pleased with most of our performances so far.

"I felt we were the better team against Leicester, I had a tough battle against Iwan Roberts which was probably honours even, but we were disappointed to concede from a free-kick." **STEVE DAVIS** after the 1-1 draw against Leicester at Kenilworth Road last Saturday.

"IT is a long journey for a midweek match, but we have to get through to the players that it's still worth three points.

"The opening game of the season was a big game for us with live television etc, but at the end of the day they are all worth the same



amount of points."

TERRY WESTLEY on the build-up to the Town's trip to Blundell Park.

"WE conceded five goals here last year, and have been thought of as a bit of a soft touch away from home.

"So it was nice to come here and get a draw. We defended well, and Steve Davis showed what a real asset he will be to us this season.

"I didn't really feel they were going to score, and right at the end we had a great chance through John Taylor, but there's more to come in terms of getting forward and developing our attacking play." **TERRY WESTLEY** after the hard-fought 0-0 draw at Grimsby.



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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.

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Clashes with the Rams



ABOVE: Paul Telfer, now with Coventry, makes a break against Derby during our 2-1 win over the Rams in a game decided by Scott Oakes' spectacular goal.

CONSIDERING both Derby County and ourselves have long since past seen out centenary celebrations it is surprising to note that our league meetings only commenced as relatively recently as 1953.

Our first clash took place at the Baseball Ground on November 14 of that year when newly-relegated Derby were beaten 2-1 with both goals coming from that prolific marksman on the wing, Bert Mitchell. The scoreline was repeated in the return with the goals this time coming from Bob Morton and John Downie.

At the end of the following season both clubs went their separate ways with the Town being promoted to Division One and Derby suffering relegation to Division Three North. It is no surprise, therefore, that we held the upper hand in the clashes, winning 2-0 at Kenilworth Road and coming back from the Baseball Ground with a point following a 0-0 draw.

One of the Luton goalscorers in the game at Kenilworth Road, Jesse Pye, caused a major upset at the time by demanding a transfer after the meeting and ended up being signed by Derby. Unfortunately he was unable to provide the spark that Derby needed to avoid the drop and was

reported to be 'anonymous' in the game against the Town later on in the season which was watched by a crowd of only 5,987.

We did not meet again until our relegation from Division One but this time the boot was on the other foot as we were thrashed 4-1 at Derby on October 15, 1960, in a game marking the last appearance of goalkeeper Alan Collier. The next season we did a little better in only losing 2-0 at the Baseball Ground but followed it up with a crushing 4-2 home win with goals from Harry Walden, Alec Ashworth and a brace from Tom McKechnie to send the crowd of 15,380 home happy.

Season 1962/63 was the Town's turn to suffer relegation and by way of revenge Derby went on to do the 'double' winning 2-1 at Kenilworth Road and 1-0 at the Baseball Ground although we were down to 10 fit men for the final hour following an injury to Brendan McNally.

It was to be 11 years before our paths crossed again but this time both clubs were in Division One, albeit for only one season as far as the Town were concerned. Derby visited Luton just before Christmas 1974 chasing the Championship, which they eventually won, while we were rock bottom after a run of six straight defeats.

It was therefore seen as a major surprise when the Town won 1-0 courtesy of a Jim Ryan penalty to

spark off a Luton mini-revival. The penalty came about when Peter Spiring was fouled in the area, breaking his toe in the process, thus leaving the way clear for Lil Fuccillo to come on as substitute for his first Luton appearance. When the return was played, over Easter 1975, both the Town and Derby were going through 'purple patches' but it was our record that went when we were thrashed 5-0 with all the goals coming from Roger Davies.

Another gap of five years was to elapse before the clubs met again, this time in Division Two, and in an early season game played on August 23, 1980, the Town went down rather unluckily 2-1 at Kenilworth Road especially as we had been in the lead. In the return both teams put on a treat for the TV cameras with David Moss and Godfrey Ingram scoring crackers in a 2-2 draw.

Season 1981/82 saw the Town win the Second Division Championship and a further parting of the ways. In the home game that season the Town won 3-2 in a contest more one sided than the scoreline suggests with goals from Moss, Clive Goodyear and Mal Donaghy followed by a 0-0 draw at the Baseball Ground in a game marking the debut of Richard Money.

With Derby eventually returning to Division One in 1987 we have met every season since apart from one and the highlights have come thick and fast starting with the opening day of the 1987/88 season when Derby scraped a 1-0 win at the Baseball Ground, with the Town down to 10 men from the early minutes when Mick Harford was sent off.

In the following season Harford scored with a tremendous long range shot in a 1-0 revenge win at the Baseball Ground, while the 3-0 home victory in the return set us up for our end of season spurt which saw us avoid the drop. Relegation was again avoided the following season after our never to be forgotten 3-2 win at the Baseball Ground on the final Saturday when all seemed lost, and to make a hat-trick of great escapes we saw off the Rams here at Kenilworth Road on the last day of 1990/91 with Lars Elstrup and an own goal from, of all people, Mick Harford earning the 2-0 win.

Last but by no means least we must remember the goal Scott Oakes scored here two seasons ago during a 2-1 win which set off much discussion as to the greatest Luton goal of all time. As supporters will no doubt recall Oakes set off on a run from deep, leaving defenders in his wake, before scoring with an unstoppable shot. More of the same please!



by ROGER WASH

5 YEARS AGO

1/9/90: After a disappointing start to the season the Town bounced back with a 2-1 win at Southampton with both goals coming from record signing Lars Elstrup, now back to full fitness.

10 YEARS AGO

31/8/95: The Town suffered a 3-1 defeat at Aston Villa after being three-down at the interval. Brian Stein was the Luton scorer in front of a crowd of only 10,524.

15 YEARS AGO

30/8/80: After winning the first two games of the season the Town went down to their second straight defeat in losing 2-1 at Newcastle despite being ahead at half-time. Brian Stein was again the Luton scorer.

20 YEARS AGO

30/8/75: A fine 3-0 home win over Chelsea in the battle between two of the previous season's relegated clubs watched by a crowd of 19,024. The crowd disturbances by Chelsea supporters seemed to affect their own players more than those of the Town, and Peter Anderson, Steve Buckley and Ron Fletcher all scored in an easy victory.

Those were the days

HATTERS BOW OUT AT BOURNEMOUTH



LEFT: David Oldfield at full stretch at Dean Court, during last Tuesday's second leg



ABOVE: Bontcho Guentchev and Dwight Marshall line up for a Town corner

RIGHT: Graham Alexander makes a break for the Hatters



Coca-Cola Cup
First Round, 2nd leg

BOURNEMOUTH 2
(Jones, Morris)

LUTON TOWN 1
(Johnson)

(After extra-time,
aggregate 3-2)

Pictures:
ANDY HANDLEY



LEFT: Skipper Steve Davis heads just wide during the second-half of extra-time



ABOVE: Dwight Marshall looks for an opening, but was tightly marked by the Bournemouth defence



LEFT: Getting shirty..... Town substitute Rob Matthews can't escape the clutches of the home side during the Coca-Cola Cup clash

AROUND THE TOWN

Sommer in the City! Juergen joins QPR



JUERGEN Sommer pictured during the 1-0 win at Southend earlier this season.

A WEEK certainly is a long time in football. In last Saturday's match programme we featured an interview with goalkeeper Juergen Sommer, reflecting on his summer with the USA national squad, and looking forward to the new season with Luton Town.

A week on we are reporting the transfer of the 26-year-old New Yorker to Premiership side Queens Park Rangers for a fee of £600,000.

QPR had watched Juergen since his return from the States, and their former goalkeeper Phil Parkes was among the crowd on Saturday to watch the American against Leicester.

He missed the game at Grimsby, with the deal completed on Tuesday and Wednesday, although not in time for Juergen to be considered for Rangers' midweek trip to Liverpool. And as there are no Premiership matches this weekend, due to next week's

internationals, he faces a wait for his debut.

His Luton Town debut came in August 1993, two years after he arrived at Kenilworth Road, and he made his Luton bow against Watford.

He was a virtual ever-present that season, playing a key role in the FA Cup success which saw him make a Wembley semi-final appearance.

He started last season as the first-choice keeper, and was an ever-present until opting to play for the USA against Uruguay in Dallas, which gave Kelvin Davis his opportunity ironically against Watford.

Juergen was on the bench for the remainder of the season, but was re-instated following the opening match of this season playing the league matches against Southend and Leicester, and both Coca-Cola Cup matches against Bournemouth, taking his tally to 101 senior appearances. - **SIMON OXLEY**.



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ABOVE: It's a tyre-ing job being a footballer..... the Town players take a break from training to help launch the Football League's sponsorship deal with Yokohama.

League tie up new tyre deal



ABOVE: Yokohama's David Seward (far left) and Stuart Jardine (far right) with former World Cup Final referee Jack Taylor, and Steve Sutherland, representing the Football League.

DUNSTABLE-based Yokohama Tyres have signed a new sponsorship deal with the Football League, and so it was fitting that the official launch of the agreement was held at Kenilworth Road.

Former World Cup Final referee Jack Taylor was among the league officials welcomed to Luton Town by Chairman David Kohler, and Commercial Manager Kathy Leather.

The Town's first-team squad took part in the photocall.

"It is always pleasing to welcome nearby companies into the national game," said Mr Kohler.

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Date	Opponents	F-A	Att	Pos	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13 or GK	14
Sun Aug 13	NORWICH CITY	1-3	7,848	-	K.Davis	Thomas	M.Johnson	Waddock	Hughes	Peake	Alexander	Oldfield	(Thorpe)	GUENTCHEV	Harvey	S.Davis	Sommer	(Taylor)
Tue Aug 15	BOURNEMOUTH CCC 1 (1)	1-1	2,728	-	Sommer	Thomas	M.Johnson	S.Davis	Hughes	Oldfield	Alexander	(MARSHALL)	Taylor	Guentchev	Harvey	Waddock	Peake	(Thorpe)
Sat Aug 19	Southend United	1-0	4,630	17	Sommer	James	M.Johnson	S.Davis	Hughes	Oldfield	(Alexander)	(Marshall)	Taylor	(Guentchev)	Harvey	(Waddock)	(THORPE)	(Thomas)
Tue Aug 22	Bournemouth CCC1 (2)	1-2	4,884	-	Sommer	James	M.JOHNSON	S.Davis	Waddock	(Oldfield)	Alexander	Marshall	(Taylor)	Guentchev	(Harvey)	(Matthews)	(Thorpe)	(Thomas)
Sat Aug 26	LEICESTER CITY	1-1	7,612	16	Sommer	(James)	M.Johnson	S.Davis	HUGHES	(Oldfield)	Linton	Marshall	(Taylor)	G.Johnson	Harvey	(Guentchev)	(Thorpe)	(Peake)
Tue Aug 29	Grimsby Town	0-0	4,289	11	K.Davis	James	M.Johnson	S.Davis	Alexander	(Oldfield)	(Linton)	Guentchev	(Marshall)	G.Johnson	Harvey	(Taylor)	(Woodsford)	(Peake)
Sat Sep 2	DERBY COUNTY																	
Tue Sep 5	PERUGIA AIC																	
Sat Sep 9	Reading																	
Wed Sep 13	Millwall																	
Sat Sep 16	SUNDERLAND																	
Sat Sep 23	Wolverhampton Wanderers																	
Sat Sep 30	PORTSMOUTH																	
Sat Oct 7	Tranmere Rovers																	
Wed Oct 11	Genoa AIC																	
Sat Oct 14	WEST BROMWICH ALBION																	
Sat Oct 21	Ipswich Town																	
Sat Oct 28	CHARLTON ATHLETIC																	
Sat Nov 4	Stoke City																	
Wed Nov 8	Cesena AIC																	
Sat Nov 11	OLDHAM ATHLETIC																	
Sat Nov 18	BIRMINGHAM CITY																	
Tue Nov 21	Watford																	
Sat Nov 25	Barnsley																	
Sat Dec 2	TRANMERE ROVERS																	
Sat Dec 9	WOLVERHAMPTON W																	
Wed Dec 13	ANCONA AIC																	
Sat Dec 16	Portsmouth																	
Sat Dec 23	HUDDERSFIELD TOWN																	
Tue Dec 26	Crystal Palace																	
Sat Dec 30	Port Vale																	
Mon Jan 1	SHEFFIELD UNITED																	
Sat Jan 6	FA Cup 3																	
Sat Jan 13	SOUTHEND UNITED																	
Sat Jan 20	Norwich City																	
Sat Jan 27	FA Cup 4																	
Sat Feb 3	Leicester City																	
Sat Feb 10	GRIMSBY TOWN																	
Sat Feb 17	MILLWALL																	
Wed Feb 21	Derby County																	
Sat Feb 24	Sunderland																	
Tue Feb 27	READING																	
Sat Mar 2	CRYSTAL PALACE																	
Sat Mar 9	Huddersfield Town																	
Sat Mar 16	PORT VALE																	
Sat Mar 23	Sheffield United																	
Sat Mar 30	IPSWICH TOWN																	
Tue Apr 2	West Bromwich Albion																	
Sat Apr 6	Charlton Athletic																	
Tue Apr 9	STOKE CITY																	
Sat Apr 13	Birmingham City																	
Sat Apr 20	WATFORD																	
Sat Apr 27	BARNSELY																	
Sat May 4	Oldham Athletic																	

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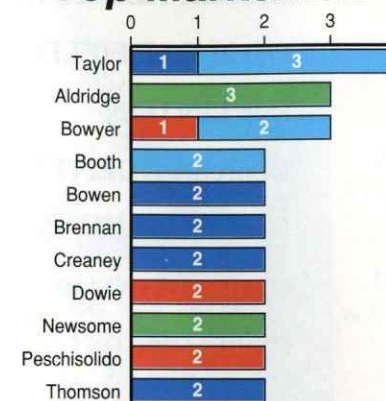
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Millwall	4	3	1	0	5	2	10
Barnsley	4	3	0	1	10	8	9
Tranmere Rov	4	2	1	1	8	5	7
Crystal Palace	4	2	1	1	8	7	7
Charlton Ath	4	2	1	1	6	4	7
Birmingham C	3	2	0	1	7	5	6
Oldham	3	2	0	1	6	3	6
Reading	4	1	2	1	5	5	5
Grimsby T	4	1	2	1	4	4	5
West Brom	4	1	2	1	3	3	5
LUTON TOWN	4	1	2	1	3	4	5
Portsmouth	3	1	1	1	5	4	4
Leicester C	3	1	1	1	5	5	4
Norwich City	3	1	1	1	4	4	4
Stoke City	3	1	1	1	4	4	4
Southend Utd	4	1	1	2	4	6	4
Sunderland	3	1	1	1	3	2	4
Ipswich T	3	1	1	1	2	3	4
Port Vale	3	1	1	1	1	1	4
Watford	4	1	0	3	5	7	3
Huddersfield T	3	1	0	2	2	6	3
Derby County	3	0	2	1	3	4	2
Wolves	3	0	2	1	3	5	2
Sheffield Utd	4	0	0	4	4	9	0

Table up to and including Tuesday, August 29, 1995.

Average Gates



Top Marksmen



League goals in club colours,
Coca Cola goals in light blue

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LUTON TOWN FC League and Cup Appearances 1995/96

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
Kelvin DAVIS	2				Julian JAMES	3		1	
Mitchell THOMAS	1 (1)		1 (1)		Rob MATTHEWS				1
Marvin JOHNSON	4		2	1	Des LINTON	2			
Gary WADDOK	1 (1)		1		Gavin JOHNSON	2			
Ceri HUGHES	3	1	1		Jamie WOODSFORD	(1)			
Trevor PEAKE	1 (2)								
Graham ALEXANDER	3		2						
David OLDFIELD	4		2						
Tony THORPE	1 (2)	1	(2)						
Bontcho GUENTCHEV	3 (1)	1	2						
Richard HARVEY	4		2						
John TAYLOR	2 (2)		2						
Juergen SOMMER	2		2						
Steve DAVIS	3		2						
Dwight MARSHALL	3		2	1					



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Barnsley v Birmingham City

Charlton Athletic v Huddersfield T

Grimsby Town v Watford

Ipswich Town v Sunderland

Leicester City v Wolverhampton W

Norwich City v Port Vale

Portsmouth v Millwall

Southend United v Reading (Fri)

Stoke City v Oldham Athletic

West Brom v Sheffield United

TEAM CHECK

LUTON TOWN

Manager: Terry Westley

Kelvin DAVIS

Julian JAMES

Marvin JOHNSON

Steve DAVIS

Graham ALEXANDER

David OLDFIELD

Des LINTON

Bontcho GUENTCHEV

Dwight MARSHALL

Gavin JOHNSON

Richard HARVEY

DERBY COUNTY

Manager: Jim Smith

1 Steve SUTTON

2 Jason KAVANAGH

3 Paul TROLLOPE

4 Sean FLYNN

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