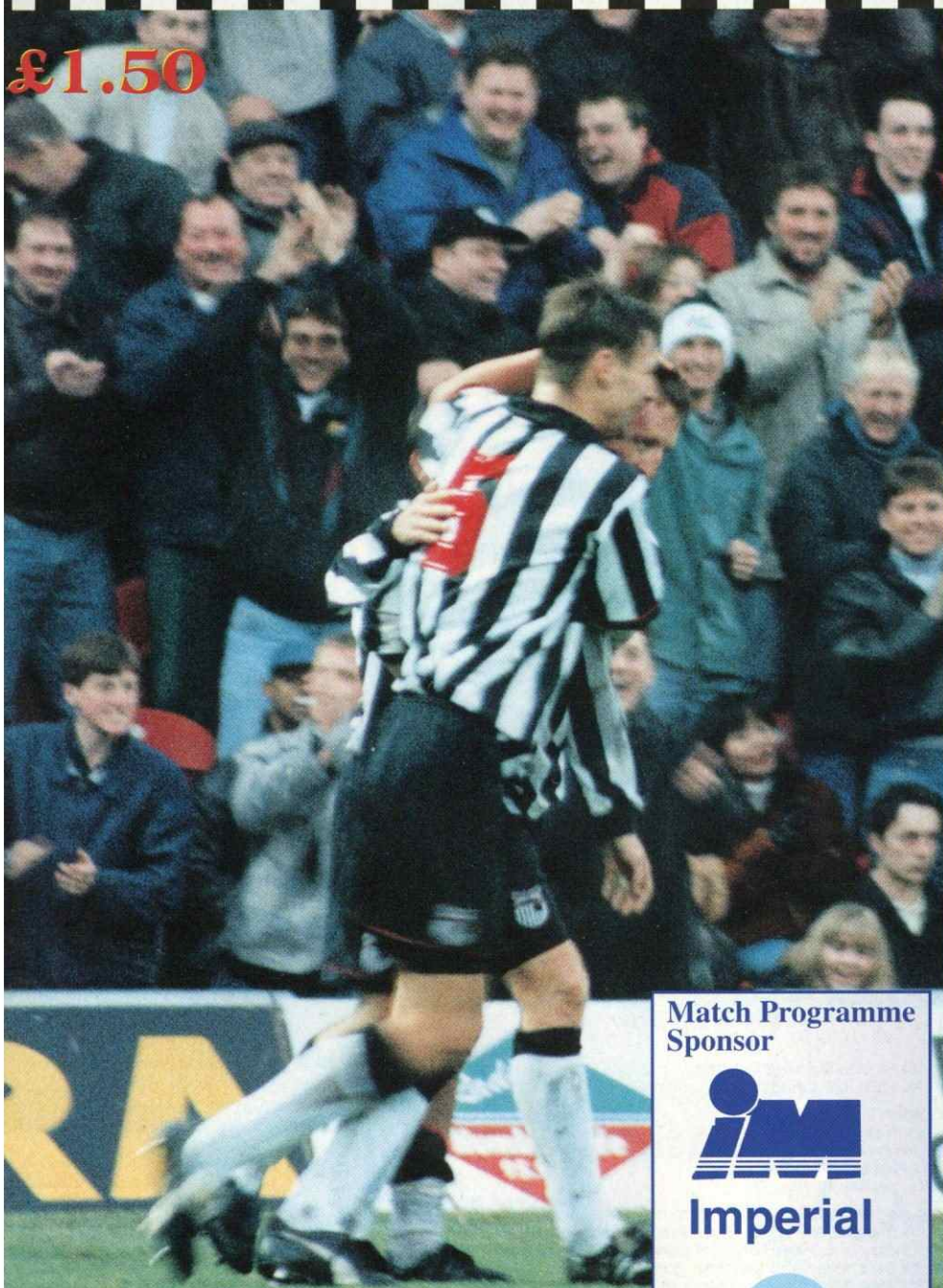


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The Manager's Notes with BRIAN LAWS



Good afternoon ladies and gentlemen and welcome once again to Blundell Park. Today sees us with a good opportunity to start a cup run and a cup competition always provides a nice break from League business. Make no mistake: Luton will make it very difficult for us this afternoon and I am sure their players will be raring to go after their last three matches were all postponed over Christmas.

Already this season they have held us to a 0-0 draw and although they have a new man in charge (Lennie Lawrence) I expect them to present us with a similar challenge this time. However, it is up to us: I want this tie over and done with first time round and undoubtedly if we can reproduce our form from the first forty five minutes against Huddersfield, we will be alright.

After the disappointment of the two games postponed after Christmas, everyone looked forward to the Huddersfield game. We had another opportunity to go into second place and started very well. Had it been 4-0 at half-time, it would not have flattered us but we missed our chances and one goal is never enough - as it was proved.

It may have been a dubious penalty decision but you have to accept it: it would not have mattered had we put our earlier chances away. The facts are that we have dropped six points in our last three home games but it is something I cannot put my finger on. The football and effort is there, but when we don't put our chances away, it means towards the end of the game we put unnecessary pressure on the back four and it has proved costly.

But - on the positive side - we are still in there and many other teams will be saying "if only". You can forget "if only's", you just have to get on with it. There are still many points to play for and with your support we can be successful this season.

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Front Row: Jamie Woodsford, Gary Waddock, Tony Thorpe, Ceri Hughes, Mick McGiven (Asst. Manager), David Kohle (Chairman), Terry Westley (no longer with club), Scott Oakes, Nathan Jones, Graham Alexander, Dwight Marshall



**Ceri
HUGHES**



**Steve
DAVIS**

Introducing... the Hatters

This afternoon we welcome Luton Town to Blundell Park for an interesting third Round F.A. Cup-tie. The 'Hatters' who are now under the guidance and control of their new manager, Lennie Lawrence, who was formerly in charge of Charlton Athletic, Middlesbrough and Bradford City, are presently holding up the rest of the Endsleigh Insurance League Division One, but of late they have showed signs of improvement.

Although all teams love to do well in knockout competitions, there is no doubt that Luton would welcome points rather than cup victories at this moment in time. This of course is Luton's second visit to Blundell Park this season, following a 0-0 draw in a League game back in August. A similar result today would suit them fine, but not for the Mariners!

The Hatters have rebuilt their side somewhat this season, and their first team squad at present comprises some experienced players as well as a handful of promising youngsters.

Irish international defender Darren Patterson, ex-W.B.A. and Preston, arrived from Crystal Palace; David Oldfield was signed from Leicester City; midfielders Gavin Johnson and Bontcho Guentchev arrived

from Ipswich Town; centre-half Steve Davis was recruited from Burnley for £750,000, the Dane, Johnny Vilstrup, was brought from Lyngby for £205,000 and giant goalkeeper, Ian Feuer, 6ft. 7ins tall, came from West Ham United. after a month's loan.

They joined forces with young 'keeper Kelvin Davis who has also been with Peterborough; defenders David Greene, an Eire U/21 international who made his debut v. Grimsby, Richard Harvey, Julian James, an ex England U/21 player, Marv Johnson, who's been at the club 10 years, Des Linton, once of Leicester, veteran Trevor Peake (now 38) who won an F.A. Cup winners medal with Coventry in 1987 and Mitchell Thomas, ex Spurs and West Ham

In midfield are Ceri Hughes, who has been capped by Wales, Gavin Johnson, Tony Thorpe, who was recruited from Newcastle, Gary Waddock, ex-Q.P.R. & Bristol Rovers, Scott Oakes, the son of the Showaddywaddy rock star Trevor, Graham Alexander who can also defend

Attackers include Jamie Woodsford, who made his debut last year v. West Ham, Dwight Marshall, who cost £150,000 from Plymouth and big John Taylor, a £200,000 acquisition from Bradford City.

The Manager

Lennie Lawrence was appointed into the Luton 'hot seat' shortly before Christmas. A very experienced manager who in the past has been in charge of Plymouth Argyle (caretaker), Charlton Athletic, Middlesbrough and Bradford City, he left the latter club after eighteen months in office and is now contemplating a new career with the Hatters with his main objective being to pull his side clear of the relegation zone in the First Division.

A non-League player with Croydon, Carshalton and Sutton United, he has also coached at both Plymouth and Lincoln City and as a manager guided Charlton Athletic into the 'old' First Division in 1986.



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This was an excellent game played between two of the less fancied teams in the First Division at the time, although it must be said that Luton Town were actually relegated at the end of this 1958-59 campaign.

For over an hour of this intriguing contest, the football displayed was of the highest quality possible and the 98,774 crowd witnessed some of the finest attacking soccer played inside the stadium since World War Two.

Forest swept into a deserved 2-0 goal inside the first quarter-of-an-hour but then they lost right-winger Roy Dwight, carried off with a broken leg after 33 minutes, victim of the Wembley hoodoo.

Forest still held the initiative, but Luton fought well and reduced the arrears on 62 minutes. Thereafter the Hatters peppered the Forest goal, but couldn't claim an equaliser and the star prize went to Nottingham after a fine match, refereed exceedingly well by Jack Clough of Bolton.

Prior to making this final, Luton Town had never progressed beyond the quarter-final stage, while Forest had won the trophy just once before, way back in 1898.

Forest, under the managership of former England and Aston Villa international inside-forward Billy Walker, who had actually taken over in 1939, were the pre-match favourites, but Luton, who were without a manager (37 year-old captain Sid Owen taking temporary charge) made them fight every inch of the way.

Remarkably both Luton and Forest kept unchanged teams throughout the competition and this is how they lined up on the big day:

Luton - Baynham; McNally, Hawkes; Groves, Owen (captain) Pacey; Bingham, Brown, Morton, Cummins, Gregory.

Forest: Thomson' Whare, McDonald; Whitefoot, McKinlay, Burkitt (captain); Dwight, Quigley, Wilson, Gray, Imlach.

Forest struck the first blow on 10 minutes when Dwight, unmarked, smashed Stuart Imlach's low cross from the left high into the Luton net. Four minutes later it was 2-0 to Forest when centre-forward Tommy Wilson gleefully nodded home Billy Gray's delightfully weighted cross.

Then came Dwight's tragic injury following a tackle by Brendan McNally. Luton's response, just after the hour mark, came from left-half Dave Pacey, who cracked home Ken Hawkes' pass from 10 yards.

But try as they could Luton simply couldn't grab a second goal and twelve years after joining Forest from non-league football, 33 year-old skipper Jack Birkitt proudly led his players up the 39 steps to collect the coveted silver trophy.

Luton Town

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1990-91	1	38	10	7	21	42	61	37	18th
1991-92	1	42	10	12	20	38	71	42	20th
1992-93	1	46	10	21	15	48	62	51	20th
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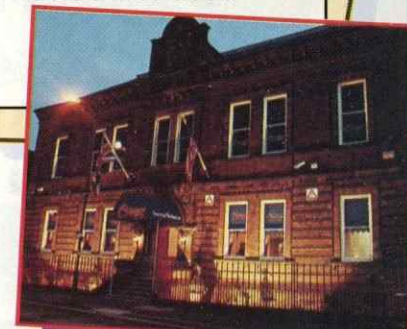
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WELL DONE THAT MAN!

Congratulations to Mr. Conway of Grimsby who scooped £250 on the Half Time Bonanza draw at the Huddersfield Town match on New Year's Day. Tickets are on sale today inside the ground (50p) and the draw will be made on the pitch at half-time. Prizes can be claimed from the lottery office in the Stones Bitter Stand after the match.

IVANO BONETTI FUND UPDATE

Just over one thousand, nine hundred and ninety five years, three hundred and sixty five days ago they said he was born a Jew. Maybe, just maybe they got it wrong. Listening to Mariners supporters from all over the country you could be forgiven for asking was he a Catholic after all and was that stable in Genoa..?

One thing is for sure: the five wise men of Blundell Park (Messers Carr, Aspinall, Mager,

Lamming and Teanby) have placed a shining star in the East. Who would have thought twelve months ago that a 'Serie A' player would have been creating such euphoria and receiving such adoration from the soccer-mad fans of Grimsby Town. The inch-perfect crosses to Messers Livvo, Groves and Forrester that have resulted in point-securing goals have been worth £50,000 alone and let us hope that we have yet to see the best.

POSITIVE THOUGHT - PREMIERSHIP FOOTBALL

Thank you all for your generous contributions that you have made to the fund that will help to keep Ivano at Blundell Park for the rest of the season. Don't forget the draw tickets that are on sale. Happy New Year Bryan Huxford, Fund Co-ordinator

CALLING ALL ENTERTAINERS

As you all know the Club has provided pre-match entertainment at it's home games since October and will continue to do so. If you would like to be part of the pre-match entertainment whether dance group, musicians or whatever, then please contact Tim Harvey on 01472 697111.

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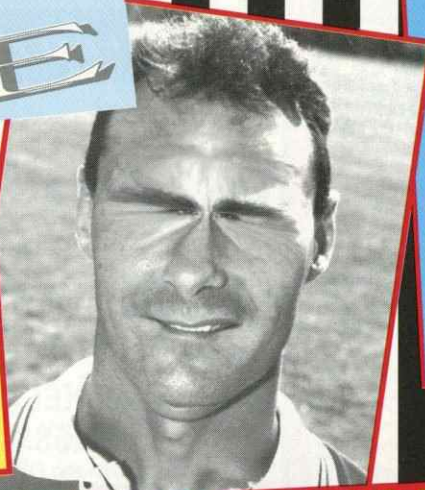
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Whose badge is this?

????????? QUIZ TIME ??????????

- Q1 Who managed a First Division side from 1945 to 1971?
- Q2 Which African side drew with Italy in the 1982 World Cup Finals?
- Q3 Two teams automatically qualified for the 1966 World Cup Finals - England who who else?
- Q4 Which Spanish international striker is known as 'The Vulture'?
- Q5 Which player topped the First Division scoring charts in six different seasons?

Soccer oddity



In the 1930s two World Cup qualifying games involving Hungary and Bulgaria and Lithuania v. Latvia were refereed by Herr Frankenstein of Austria.

Players were numbered 1-11 and 12-22 in the 1933 F.A. Cup Final between Manchester City and Everton.

The ball burst in both the 1946 and 1947 F.A. Cup Finals.

The two shortest named players ever to appear in the World Cup have been Re (Paraguay) in 1958 and Sa (Argentina) in 1974.

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The Sun referring to Ronnie Jepson's penalty equaliser for Huddersfield.

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BERNARD MORLEY

The Skipper Speaks

Firstly welcome to Luton Town and their supporters for this afternoon's FA Cup Third Round tie. Luton have already visited Blundell Park this season and went home with a point from a 0-0 draw when they proved a difficult side to break down. No doubt, they will be just as difficult today, especially with all the players keen to impress the new boss, Lennie Lawrence.

He has a good track record as a manager and has been here with other clubs, so he will know what to expect from us. However, the onus is on us to win the game at home - it is our best chance and we must take it.

Looking back over our matches since Christmas, obviously both the Sunderland and Crystal Palace games fell victim to the weather. The games were called off in plenty of time to save any inconvenience to players and fans, but personally speaking I always feel deflated when there is a postponement. You prepare all week for a game and when it's called off, it can feel as if you've worked for nothing, but having said that, there is always another game to look forward to. In this instance it was the Huddersfield match. Undoubtedly it was a game that we should have had wrapped up by half-time. We created several chances and they had no real

efforts on goal. It was obvious they would change it at half-time - any team getting hammered as they were would make changes.

The double substitution gave them a new impetus but we did not maintain our first half performance and suffered because of it. Whether you wish to dispute the penalty or not, it should not have mattered had we scored the goals we ought to. After an excellent November, December has been disappointing. Only one defeat in five games, but drawing on four occasions means we have not taken enough points. That really shows the importance of a win over a draw.

So today sees a break from League business and a good opportunity to reach the fourth round of the FA Cup. Let's hope we can enjoy some success in this competition.

All the best,
Grovesie



LOOKING GOOD

Following the Christmas/New Year programme, which was severely hampered by the weather, a gap has now widened at the top of the First Division where Derby County currently have a seven-point lead over Charlton Athletic, with a cluster of teams, all on 38 points, close behind.

Admittedly a few of those teams chasing the Rams have a game or two in hand (including Sunderland) but right now Jim Smith's men are in the driving seat, well in control and looking good!

IMPORTANT WINS

Still with the leaders, Derby County - they ran in three excellent victories over the holiday period, seeing off former leaders Sunderland and Norwich City, both at home and Huddersfield away. There is no doubt that the Rams are bang in form right now and manager Smith must be a delighted man, being able to field an unchanged team week after week. Marco Gabbiadini has produced some terrific performances along with his fellow striker, Dean Sturridge, and it was Gabbiadini who netted a dramatic 90th minute goal against Norwich City on New Year's Day to make it six straight wins for the Rams.

UNBEATEN IN SIX

Ronnie Whelan's Southend United have slowly but surely crept up the table and are now seventh in the Division, having collected 14 points out of the last 18 by playing some fine football both at Roots Hall and also on their travels.

ELEVEN DEFEATS ON THE BOUNCE

West Bromwich Albion have now set a new club record by losing 11 League games on the bounce. The Baggies' previous worst run was nine successive defeats (in 1985-86) when they were relegated from the top flight.

WOLVES STILL STRUGGLING

Despite averaging 25,000 at Molineux each and every time they take the field, Wolves are still struggling to find any sort of form. They have drawn their last two home games - 1-1 v. Millwall and 2-2 v. Portsmouth - and these results have left Mark McGhee a rather frustrated manager.

SLIPPING DOWN

Tranmere Rovers were in the top six of the Division two months ago, just five points behind leaders Leicester City with a game in hand. But since then it's all gone wrong for John King's men and now Rovers are down around the halfway line with only one win in their last seven starts.

IPSWICH HIT TOP FORM

Ipswich Town ran in their best League win of the season when beating Port Vale 5-1 at home on New Year's Day.

The game was goalless at half-time, but a dressing-down talk by boss George Burley saw Town turn on the style after the break, scoring three times in 14 minutes and then adding two more late on through leading striker Alex Mathie.

TRANSFER NEWS

Charlton Athletic manager Alan Curbishley has recruited defender Brendan Markey from the Irish League side, Bohemians, for £30,000; Wolves' boss Mark McGhee has secured the services of two midfielders.

Simon Osborne from Q.P.R. for £1 million and Vinny Samways on a month's loan from Everton, while Oldham Athletic's supremo, Graeme Sharp, has bought the Icelandic international Toddy Orlygsson from Stoke City.

Today's MASCOTS



BEN MILLS (aged 10) comes from Grimsby and attends Bradley Park Junior School. His hobbies include football and his favourite Mariners are Clive Mendonca, Paul Crichton and Ivano Bonetti.



WILLIAM McARDLE (8) lives in Scartho, Grimsby and is a pupil at Scartho Juniors. He likes swimming, football and computers and his favourite Mariners are Gary Croft, Brian Laws, Ivano Bonetti and Livvo.



ROSS MAHON (aged 7) comes from Waltham and attends Waltham Leas School. He plays (and watches) football, cricket and rugby, and his favourite Town player is Ivano Bonetti.



RICHARD WRIGHT (aged 9) comes from Cleethorpes and goes to William Barcroft Junior School. He likes football and playing army games and Ivano Bonetti is his star Mariner.

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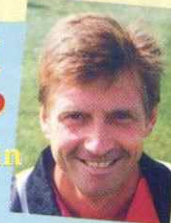
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RESERVE ROUND-UP

with Kenny Swain



Those who came to see our latest game against Leicester on Tuesday evening will - I'm sure - agree that they're not likely to see as good a 0-0 game as that this season.

Leicester, with a good strong side of experience and quality, proved to be about the toughest test we have had to date. The pace and sharpness of Joachim and Robins stretched us at times but our three-man centre-half system of Rodger, Gowshall and Fickling. Was able to nullify that threat but for two occasions when John Burrridge pulled off two fine saves.

John Walker and Craig Shakespeare had a real test of ability against Lowe and Philpott and passed with flying colours, Walker particularly so. Our front three of Woods, Lester and Southall all managed good efforts on goal with Southall coming the closest with a thunderous drive which hit the underside of the bar - but unfortunately the linesman wasn't Russian.

We play Sunderland next Tuesday evening for what will be another tough game and a test for our ever-improving group of young professionals.

See you there

Kenny Swain

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AUGUST 1995

Wed 16	Bradford	3-0
Wed 23	Mansfield Town	4-1

SEPTEMBER 1995

Tue 5	Burnley	4-4
Wed 13	Manchester City	0-2
Tue 26	Middlesbrough	0-4

OCTOBER 1995

Tue 10	Rotherham United	4-2
Tue 17	Huddersfield Town	2-1
Wed 25	Barnsley	3-4

NOVEMBER 1995

Tue 7	Hull City	4-0
Tue 14	Blackpool	3-2
Wed 22	Preston North End	1-1
Thurs 30	Coventry City	1-0

DECEMBER 1995

Wed 13	Middlesbrough	1-3
Wed 20	Aston Villa	0-1

JANUARY 1996

Tue 2	Leicester City	0-0
Tue 9	Sunderland	
Mon 15	Mansfield Town	
Tue 23	Bradford City	
Wed 31	Burnley	

FEBRUARY 1996

Tue 6	Manchester City	
Wed 14	Sunderland	
Wed 21	Blackpool	

MARCH 1996

Tue 5	Hull City	
Mon 11	Leicester City	
Tue 19	Aston Villa	
Tue 26	Port Vale	

APRIL 1996

Tue 9	Rotherham United	
Tue 16	Barnsley	
Wed 24	Huddersfield Town	
Tue 30	Coventry City	

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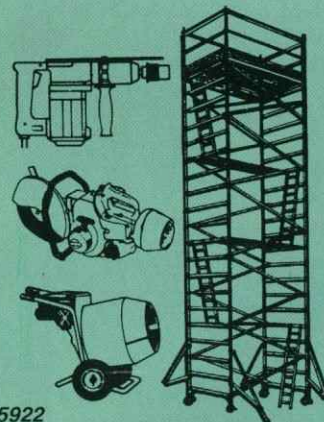
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NEXT HOME MATCH

SUNDERLAND

TUESDAY JANUARY 9TH 1996

KICK-OFF 7.00PM



Youth Up Date

with John Cockerill



professional ranks at Blundell Park.

Daryl played his local football for Discoveries FC and showed early promise, being quickly spotted by the Town scouts and signed up for the club's School of Excellence (Under 13s) and after a brief spell back in his birthplace of Jersey, he returned to continue his improvement in the youth teams.

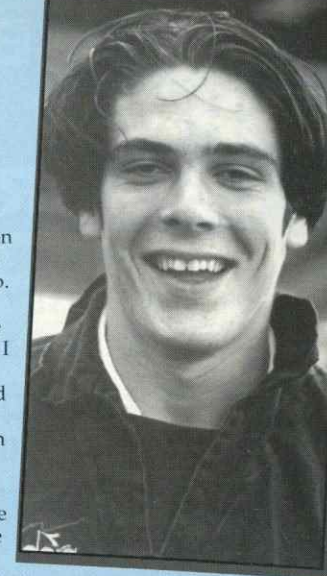
It was previous youth team coach, Richard O'Kelly who offered Daryl a 2-year apprenticeship at Blundell Park.

Daryl takes up the story: "At first I was a bit unsure, but decided to give it a go and obviously I've enjoyed every minute of it. Undoubtedly the people here have improved my game, especially since John Cockerill became youth team coach - he's been a big influence on my career so far.

I started out as a striker, but recently for the juniors and reserves I've been playing in a wide midfield role and I enjoy getting the ball to run at defenders." It was in this wide position that Daryl made his Town debut against Birmingham City in the Coca-Cola Cup.

Daryl remembers: "I had played well in a reserve game against Middlesbrough and the following Saturday I was in the first team squad that travelled to play Southend United, and although

PLAYER PROFILE



Daryl Clare

I didn't play, it was a good experience to be involved. Then in mid-week, I made my debut against Birmingham in the Cup. We were 1-0 up and a second goal would have sent the game into extra-time. Kenny told me I was going on, but as I was getting stripped, they equalised which was frustrating, but I went on anyway for the last ten minutes, and it was brilliant."

Daryl's career continued to take off when he was selected in the squad of 24 for an England Under 17 training session and he is hopeful that he can make the squad of 20 selected for the European Championships.

The youngster capped a fine year when he signed an 18-month professional contract at Blundell Park.

"Training with the first team makes you a lot sharper and now I've got this far I must continue to work.

John Cockerill

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- 2) If a match kicks-off but is abandoned before the commencement of the second half, spectators in attendance at the abandoned match should be offered admission to the re-arranged game for 50% of the admission price they paid to attend the original fixture.

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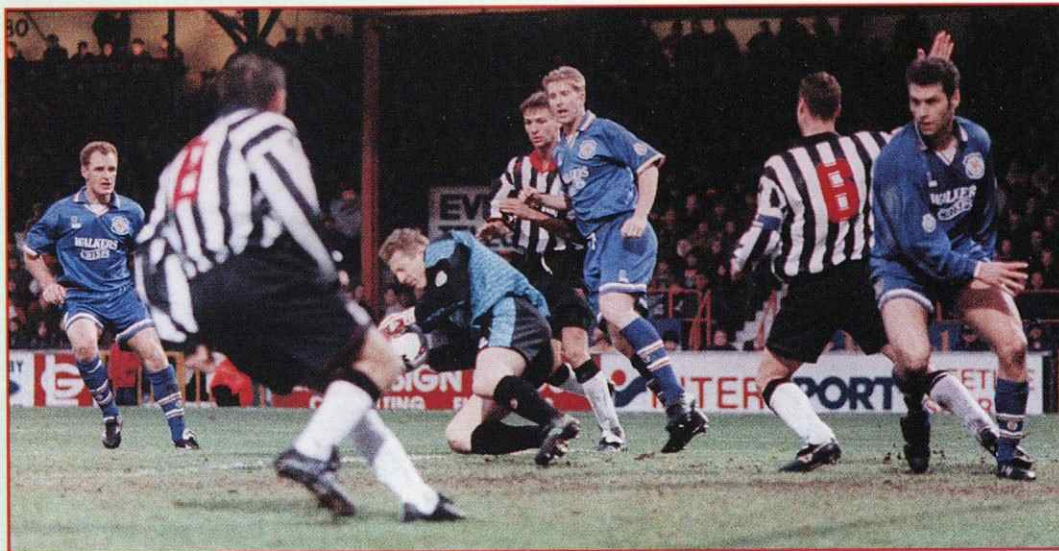
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**Action from the Mariners' 2-2 draw with Leicester City
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GRIMSBY TOWN v LUTON TOWN F.A. CUP FACTS & FIGURES

THE LAST TIME THE TEAMS MET...

The Mariners and the Hatters have met just once before in F.A. Cup action -
this was back in 1949-50 when Town recorded a 4-3 win in the 3rd round.

MARINERS FACT FILE

The Mariners have reached the F.A. Cup semi-finals twice - in 1936 when they lost 1-0 to Arsenal at
Huddersfield and in 1939 when Wolves destroyed them 5-0 at Old Trafford.
Grimsby's record victory in the F.A. Cup is 8-0 v. Darlington (h) in 1885 while their heaviest defeat in the
competition is 9-1 (at home) to Phoenix Bessemer in 1882.

Last season the Mariners lost 1-0 at home to Premiership opponents Norwich City in the 3rd round.
So far the Mariners have played 224 F.A. Cup games in the competition proper. They have won 83, drawn 44
and lost 97, scoring 333 goals and conceding 394. Grimsby last appeared in the 4th round in 1993-94 when
they were defeated 2-1 by Aston Villa here at Blundell Park.

HATTERS FACT FILE

Luton were F.A. Cup runners-up in 1959 when they were beaten by Nottingham Forest 2-1 at Wembley.
The Hatters' best win in the competition to date is 9-0 v. Clapton in 1927. Their heaviest defeat is 7-0 against
Crystal Palace two years later.

To date Luton have played 183 F.A. Cup matches, winning 64, drawing 46 and losing 73.

Their goal-average is 278 for and 261 against.

Last season the Hatters beat Bristol Rovers 1-0 in a replay at Twerton Park, Bath, after a draw at Kenilworth
Road in the 3rd round but then succumbed 6-0 at Southampton at the next hurdle.

Flashback



**Last season's 3rd round Cup Tie v. Norwich City.
Gary Croft gets in a challenge on the lively Darren Eadie**

Word *about Town*

Today our resident video man, Roly Godfrey, recalls some of his own Cup

The first week in January and all thoughts turn to the twin towers of Wembley as the big clubs enter the fray, and Grimsby have still got two chances to get there, although some scouser has just said to me, if they can put the ball in the net more often than Grimsby won't need to win the Wembley play-off to go up! My reply to him was after we beat Luton today, bring on Everton!

Thinking of the Cup, everyone has their own personal memories. My boss, Dick Conner, delights in telling me of the time the mighty Wolves came to Grimsby in the fifties and as captain, saw the Mariners go two goals up against a side containing at least six internationals. Mind you, as of late the second-half was a different kettle of fish and Wolves finished up 5-2 winners!

I'm writing this article after the 1-1 draw with Huddersfield when Grimsby played like Real Madrid in the first-half and like Tartan Forties in the second (sorry Boyle).

Mind you, we didn't need the central heating on that gantry this week.....it was quite pleasant and Martin's wife, Judith, didn't have to drape his coat around his shoulders as she usually does, much to mine and Graham's astonishment (they haven't been married a year yet, bless 'em).

John has been on holiday twice this year - to Cuba and Thailand - and he hasn't stopped smiling. Going back to the Cup reminds me of the trip up north, to Darlington I think, when I was manager of the Hainton Inn. We travelled there in my second-hand Rover Coupe 3.5. Real flash, with bucket seat, heater and electric windows.

It was freezing at the match and when we all got back to the car, the heater was put on full blast. As we were pulling away from the ground, someone tapped on the window. I pressed the button to open the window, which came slowly down. After a short conversation, I pressed the button to close the window.

Yes, you can guess what happened next! Nothing - and outside it was freezing, blowing a gale and later on it snowed.

With a hundred miles to go, we pulled our overcoats tightly around us, but after a further 20 miles, the heater packed up, and we arrived back at the Hainton Inn two hours late, covered in snow. I got out of the car and after a few choice words, slammed the door in temper. With all of us watching, the car window closed by itself. We didn't know whether to laugh or cry!

It's always nice to get compliments, which is what Tony Richardson got when he came to the Hainton Club after what was a marvellous day out as sponsors at the ground when Grimsby played Southend United. I'm still trying to find which member, after Paul Crichton had put the ball on the Stones Stand roof, yelled "Have you swallowed it, Roly?" I reckon it was Keith Herrett!

To finish, I must tell you a quick story about the gaffer and Kenny. After every game I deliver the video to their office, and on one occasion I was invited to give a talk on football at my old school. Rather proudly, I asked their advice on what I should tell them. They both looked at each other and said:

"With your knowledge, tell them you've got the 'flu.'"

Keep smiling,
Roly Godfrey



Flashback to November and my £5 bet with Brian Laws: I had bet him that he would win the Manager of the Month award but - after Lou Macari of Stoke City won it - I had to pay up!



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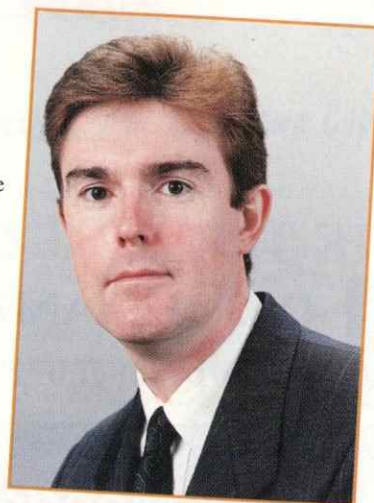
On behalf of everyone at Dunlop Oil and Marine, I'd like to welcome you to today's game and say how pleased we are to be back as match sponsors for the second time this season.

Back in September, Dunlop Oil and Marine sponsored its first ever Grimsby Town match and on that occasion the visitors were Watford. The whole day out was a thoroughly enjoyable experience not only for me but also for the twenty or so colleagues from staff and shop-floor who came too. The club certainly looked after us very well and it was nice to know our support was valued and appreciated.

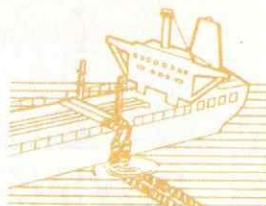
1995 was a very busy year at Dunlop Oil and Marine and I am delighted to have had the opportunity to invite another twenty Dunlop employees to spend what I'm sure will be an equally enjoyable afternoon supporting Grimsby Town Football Club.

In fact, one of our number is a former Grimsby Town player. Brian Kerry made his one and only FA team appearance against Oldham Athletic on December 18th 1965 when Grimsby Town won 3-1.

There are also a significant number of very enthusiastic Grimsby Town fans who work at Dunlop and I'm sure in addition to those in the official match sponsor party, I'll see quite a few of you during the course of the afternoon. I hesitate to single out anyone individual but I gather Richard Cooper was a little disappointed not to get an invite to the last match we sponsored. Well, I'm pleased to say he made it this time and I hope he and everyone else here today sees a great game of football and a result which Grimsby Town can be proud of.



Simon Marsden
Simon Marsden
Managing Director,
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Ivano and Grovesie get stuck in
v. Huddersfield Town on New Year's Day
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Mariners in the Community

with Ian Knight - 01472 291776



Good afternoon everyone and welcome to this afternoon's game. Unfortunately there will be no six-a-side game at half-time as it was decided that they would only take place on League fixtures. However, I will be holding a penalty competition during the half-time interval for Junior supporters of the Mariners and the Hatters.

With the help of Mighty and Mini Mariner, we will be choosing three juniors from each set of supporters to take three penalties each. If someone scores all three, then they will win. If it is a draw, then sudden death penalties will be taken. The winner will receive an autographed ball of his/her team.

The regular six-a-side games will return at the Millwall game (January 20th) when we shall see the first quarter-final. Officiating as ball boys today are lads from Brigg Sugar FC U/12's.

Attending today's game are the 25 boys who competed in - and won - my recent indoor five-a-side challenge held at Clee Fields Sports Hall. Almost 100 boys took part over the two days, all of whom received a free Pizza Hut voucher, the winning teams receiving free tickets for today's game. I hope they will enjoy their day and I would like to thank Kevin and Barry at Clee Fields Sports Hall for their help and co-operation during the two days.

I am currently finalising details of this year's Refuge Six-a-side Competition. The venue will be CIBA Sports Ground on January 27th and February 3rd. There will be two leagues of twelve with the winner from League A (January 27th) playing the winner of League B (February 3rd).

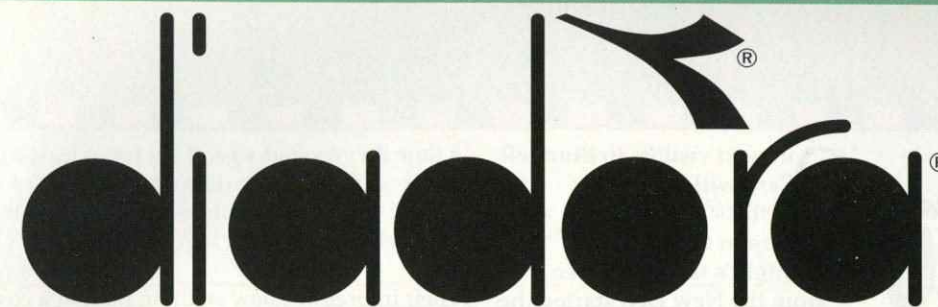
A letter confirming all the details will be sent to all registered schools during the next week.

Keep up your good support, cheers

Knighty



The ball boys from the Huddersfield Town game - members of the Fishtoft FC Under 10 team



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**SATURDAY
20
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Our next visitors to Blundell Park will be Mick McCarthy's Millwall side when they are in town in a fortnight's time. The men from the New Den started the season in good form with some fine victories and they were the early leaders of the Division, but after a wretched run of results prior to Christmas, they slipped well and truly out of the top six.

Indeed, Millwall's first win of the season was on the opening day when they triumphed over the Mariners 2-1 at the New Den with goals from Alex Rae (penalty) and Chris Malkin, giving them a 2-0 lead at half time. Although Steve Livingstone replied on the hour, the Mariners could not score the equaliser despite a good second-half performance by Brian Laws' men.

Last season the Lions were unlucky when having finished in the third spot in the First Division, they were beaten in the play-offs by Derby County and for

a time they looked a good bet for at least a play-off place again until that disappointing run of results, but no one will be keener than to get back on track than Millwall.

Their impressive new stadium built at a cost of £15.5million in 1993 would certainly not be out of place in the Premiership but it is results that will get them there. Some of the players who will be in search of three points at Blundell Park will be American goalkeeper Kasey Keller, promising defender Ben Thatcher (who is an England Under 21 international) and the dominant Tony Witter. In midfield the Lions will have Alex Rae and Ricky Newman to call on whilst Dave Savage is a winger who causes defenders real problems and ex-Tranmere man Chris Malkin is a striker with an eye for the goal, which he proved at Prenton Park when playing alongside John Aldridge before his transfer.

Another difficult game for the Mariners... but aren't they all?



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**SATURDAY
13
JANUARY**

Next week we have to make one of the longest journeys of the season when we travel south to play Portsmouth at Fratton Park - that's a 550 mile round-trip at least!

Last season we conceded a late goal (to Kit Symonds) and went down 2-1... so revenge is on the cards this time round when we also have the chance to double up over Pompey, having defeated them 2-1 right at the start of the campaign at Blundell Park.

There have been a few changes in the Portsmouth camp since that clash here in Cleethorpes on 19th August and manager Terry Fenwick has struggled to field a settled side.

Earlier on Fenwick sold star striker Gerry Creaney to Manchester City and brought down from Maine Road Fitzroy Simpson and Paul Walsh, the latter returning to his old hunting ground.

Portsmouth's form in 1995-96 has been hit and miss, although recently they played some of their best football of the season when beating bottom club Luton Town 4-0 at home.

The team that day comprised experienced goalkeeper Alan Knight, a one-club man who has now made over 700 appearances for Pompey.

The four main defenders were Robert Pethick, ex-Plymouth Argyle; Mark Stimson, who has served with Tottenham Hotspur, Leyton Orient and Newcastle in the past; Adrian Whitbread, formerly of Orient, Swindon Town and West Ham United and Guy Butters who has also been with Tottenham and Southend (loan).

Republic of Ireland international Alan McLoughlin who has also played his football with Manchester United, Torquay, Swindon, Southampton and Aston Villa; the sprightly Paul Walsh, who has five England caps to his name plus heaps of experience gained whilst serving with Charlton, Luton Town, Liverpool, Spurs and Manchester City and of course Pompey and Fitzroy Simpson, who started his career with Swindon in 1988 are the key men in midfield, creating opportunities for the strike-force of John Durnin, Paul Hall and winger Jimmy Carter.

Durnin started with Liverpool, had a spell with West Brom and joined Portsmouth from Oxford; Hall, fast and tricky, was signed from Torquay in 1993 and Carter was previously with Crystal Palace, Millwall, Q.P.R., Liverpool and Arsenal.

Portsmouth will be difficult opponents (like all teams in this Division) and the Mariners will have to be at their best to gain a result on the south coast. See you there.

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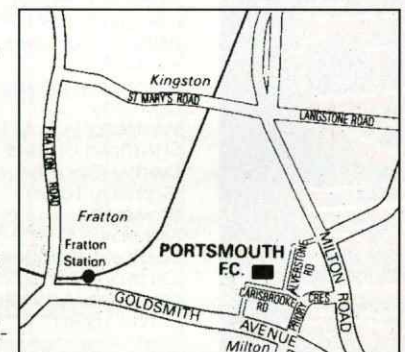
Mariners supporters will have to pay £8 (no concessions) to stand on the terraces at the open end of Fratton Park. If you prefer to sit in the stand, the cost will be £13 (again no concessions).

MATCHDAY PROGRAMME

The Portsmouth programme costs £1.50 (for 40 pages) and is on sale both inside and outside the ground.

DIRECTIONS TO FRATTON PARK

Travel south on M1, and then pick up signs for M27 and thereafter the M275. At the end of this motorway (the roundabout) take second exit and after approximately 350 yards (at 'T' junction) turn right (A2047) into London Road. After a further 1.3 miles (over railway bridge) turn left into Goldsmith Avenue, turning next right into Carisbrooke Road for ground.





Endsleigh League 95/6 DIVISION ONE

	P	W	D	L	F	A	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Derby County	25	8	4	1	25	11	5	3	4	16	18	46
Charlton Ath.	24	5	5	2	17	14	5	4	3	14	10	39
Birmingham	24	6	5	1	19	12	4	3	5	15	18	38
Sunderland	22	6	3	1	19	7	4	5	3	11	12	38
Leicester City	24	4	3	4	18	18	6	5	2	22	17	38
Huddersfield	26	8	2	3	25	15	2	6	5	11	17	38
Southend Utd	25	7	4	2	17	12	3	4	5	11	16	38
Grimsby Town	24	5	7	1	16	11	4	3	4	14	16	37
Stoke City	25	4	5	3	15	10	5	4	4	21	22	36
Millwall	25	4	4	5	12	14	5	5	2	14	16	36
Norwich City	26	5	5	3	16	13	4	3	6	22	20	35
Tranmere	23	6	3	3	23	13	3	3	5	11	13	33
Barnsley	25	6	4	2	17	15	2	5	6	16	26	33
Ipswich Town	24	6	4	3	28	20	2	5	4	16	16	33
Crystal Palace	23	2	5	3	12	14	6	3	4	18	17	32
Oldham Ath.	24	5	5	2	21	12	2	5	5	13	16	31
Portsmouth	26	5	4	4	23	18	2	4	7	17	25	29
Reading	24	5	3	4	18	17	1	7	4	13	16	28
Port Vale	25	3	3	6	15	19	3	5	5	15	19	26
Wolves	24	3	6	4	16	17	2	3	6	14	19	24
West Brom	24	5	1	6	15	16	2	2	8	13	25	24
Watford	23	3	5	3	15	12	2	4	6	12	18	24
Sheffield Utd	24	3	3	6	15	19	2	3	7	16	24	21
Luton Town	23	2	4	6	15	20	2	3	6	4	16	19

ENDSLEIGH LEAGUE DIVISION ONE

HIGHEST ATTENDANCE

27,054 Wolves v Norwich (13/9/95)

26,483 Wolves v Stoke (14/10/95)

LEADING GOAL SCORERS

16 John Aldridge (Tranmere Rovers)

14 Don Goodman (Wolves)

13 Iwan Roberts (Leicester City)

12 Nathan Blake (Sheffield United now Bolton)

11 Andy Booth (Huddersfield Town), Andy Hunt (WBA)

Jonathan Hunt (Birmingham City)

10 Lee Bowyer (Charlton Ath.), Sean McCarthy (Oldham Ath.)

Ashley Ward (Norwich City)

Endsleigh League 1994/95 FINAL TABLE

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Middlesbrough	46	23	12	10	67	40	82
Reading	46	23	10	13	58	44	79
Bolton Wanderers	46	21	14	11	67	45	77
Wolves	46	21	13	12	77	61	76
Tranmere Rovers	46	22	10	14	67	58	76
Barnsley	46	20	12	14	63	52	72
Watford	46	19	13	14	52	46	70
Sheffield United	46	17	17	12	74	55	68
Derby County	46	18	12	16	66	51	66
Grimsby Town	46	17	14	15	62	56	65
Stoke City	46	16	15	15	50	53	63
Millwall	46	16	14	16	60	60	62
Southend United	46	18	8	20	54	73	62
Oldham Athletic	46	16	13	17	60	60	61
Charlton Athletic	46	16	11	19	58	66	59
Luton Town	46	15	13	18	61	64	58
Port Vale	46	15	13	18	58	64	58
Portsmouth	46	15	13	18	53	63	58
West Brom. Albion	46	25	10	20	51	57	58
Sunderland	46	12	18	16	41	45	54
Swindon Town	46	12	12	22	54	73	48
Burnley	46	11	13	22	49	74	46
Bristol City	46	11	12	23	42	63	45

DATE	FA	ATT	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15
AUGUST																	
12 MILLWALL	A	1-2	8,546	Crichton	Laws	Jobling	Handyside	Rodger	Groves	Croft	Shakespeare	Woods	Livingstone	Southall	Lester ⁷⁴	Pearcey	Dobbin
19 PORTSMOUTH	H	2-1	4,515	Crichton	Laws 1	Jobling	Handyside	Rodger	Groves	Croft 1	Shakespeare	Woods	Livingstone	Southall	Dobbin	Lever	Jewell
26 DERBY COUNTY	A	1-1	10,564	Crichton	Laws	Jobling	Handyside	Rodger	Groves	Croft	Shakespeare	Woods	Livingstone	Southall	Dobbin	Lever	Jewell
29 LUTON	H	0-0	4,289	Crichton	Laws	Dobbin	Handyside	Lever	Groves	Croft	Shakespeare	Woods	Livingstone	Southall	Fickling	Jewell	Pearcey
SEPTEMBER																	
2 WATFORD	H	0-0	3,993	Pearcey	Laws	Croft	Handyside	Lever	Groves	Childs	Shakespeare	Woods	Livingstone	Southall	Dobbin	Jewell	McDermott
9 WOLVES	A	1-4	23,656	Crichton	McDermott	Croft	Handyside	Smith	Groves 1	Childs	Shakespeare	Woods	Livingstone	Southall	Dobbin	Jewell	Pearcey
12 READING	A	2-0	7,283	Crichton	McDermott	Croft	Handyside	Smith	Groves	Childs	Shakespeare	Woods 1	Livingstone	Southall	Laws ⁸⁵	Dobbin	Jewell
16 PORT VALE	H	1-0	4,066	Crichton	Laws	Croft	Handyside	Smith	Groves	Childs	Shakespeare	Woods	Livingstone	Southall	Dobbin	Jewell	Watson ⁷⁵
20 BIRMINGHAM	A	1-3	7,446	Crichton	Laws	Croft	Handyside	Fickling	Groves	Watson	Dobbin	Woods 1	Livingstone	Southall	Lester ⁸⁵	Pearcey	Gowshall
23 NORWICH CITY	H	2-2	5,901	Crichton	McDermott	Croft	Handyside	Smith	Groves	Childs 1	Dobbin	Woods	Livingstone	Southall 1	Fickling	Lester	Watson ⁷⁵
30 SOUTHEND	A	0-1	4,977	Crichton	McDermott	Croft	Handyside	Smith	Groves	Childs	Dobbin	Woods	Jewell	Southall	Lester	Fickling	Shakespeare
OCTOBER																	
3 BIRMINGHAM	H	1-1	3,280	Crichton	Laws	Croft	Handyside	Fickling	Groves	Childs	Dobbin	Jewell	Bonetti	Southall 1	Lester	Clare ⁷⁵	Watson
7 CHARLTON	A	1-0	8,994	Crichton	Laws	Croft	Handyside	Smith	Groves	Childs	Dobbin	Jewell 1	Bonetti	Southall	Lester	Walker	Fickling
14 OLDHAM	H	1-1	5,509	Crichton	Laws	Croft	Handyside	Smith	Groves	Childs	Dobbin 1	Woods	Bonetti	Southall	Lester ⁸⁵	Fickling	Jewell
21 BIRMINGHAM	A	1-3	16,445	Crichton	Laws	Croft	Handyside	Smith	Groves	Childs	Dobbin	Woods 1	Bonetti	Southall	Forrester ¹¹⁵	Fickling ⁸⁵	Shakespeare
28 STOKE CITY	H	1-0	5,477	Crichton	Laws	Croft	Handyside	Lever	Groves 1	Childs	Dobbin	Woods	Bonetti	Southall	Forrester ¹¹⁵	Livingstone ⁸⁵	Rodger
NOVEMBER																	
4 IPSWICH TOWN	A	2-2	10,250	Crichton	Laws	Croft	Handyside	Lever	Groves	Childs	Dobbin 1	Woods 1	Forrester	Southall	Livingstone ⁸⁵	Shakespeare	Rodger
11 BARNLEY	H	3-1	6,166	Crichton	Laws	Croft	Handyside	Lever 1	Groves	Childs	Dobbin	Woods	Livingstone	Bonetti	Southall	Shakespeare	Rodger
18 WBA	H	1-0	8,155	Crichton	Laws	Croft	Handyside	Lever	Groves	Childs	Dobbin	Forrester	Livingstone	Bonetti 1	Shakespeare	Southall	Rodger
21 SHEFFIELD UTD	A	2-1	9,884	Crichton	McDermott	Croft	Handyside	Lever	Groves	Childs 1	Dobbin	Forrester	Livingstone	Bonetti	Shakespeare	Rodger	Pearcey
26 TRANMERE	A	1-0	7,500	Crichton	McDermott	Croft	Rodger	Lever	Groves	Childs	Dobbin	Forrester	Livingstone	Bonetti 1	Shakespeare	Laws ⁸⁵	Woods
DECEMBER																	
2 CHARLTON (FA Cup 2)	H	1-2	6,881	Crichton	McDermott	Croft	Rodger	Lever	Groves 1	Childs	Dobbin	Forrester	Livingstone	Bonetti	Woods ⁸⁵	Shakespeare	Handyside
9 NORWICH CITY	A	2-2	13,283	Crichton	McDermott	Croft	Handyside	Lever	Groves 1	Childs	Dobbin	Forrester	Livingstone	Bonetti	Woods	Rodger	Laws
16 SOUTHEND	H	1-1	5,269	Crichton	Laws	Croft	Handyside	Lever	Groves	Childs	Dobbin	Forrester	Livingstone	Bonetti	Woods ¹⁰⁵	Rodger	Shakespeare
23 LEICESTER	H	2-2	7,713	Crichton	Laws	Croft	Handyside	Lever	Groves	Childs	Dobbin 1	Forrester	Livingstone	Southall	Woods	Rodger	Shakespeare
26 SUNDERLAND	A	P-P															
30 CRYSTAL PALACE	A	P-P															
JANUARY																	
1 HUDDERSFIELD	H	1-1	7,524	Crichton	Laws	Croft	Handyside	Lever	Groves	Childs	Dobbin	Forrester	Livingstone	Bonetti	Woods ⁸⁵	Rodger	Shakespeare
6 LUTON (FA Cup 3)	H																
13 PORTSMOUTH	A																
20 MILLWALL	H																
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MARCH																	
2 SUNDERLAND	H																
9 LEICESTER (FA Cup 6)	A																
16 C. PALACE	H																
23 HUDDERSFIELD	A																
30 BIRMINGHAM (FA Sem)																	
APRIL																	
2 OLDHAM	A																
6 STOKE CITY	A																
8 IPSWICH	H																
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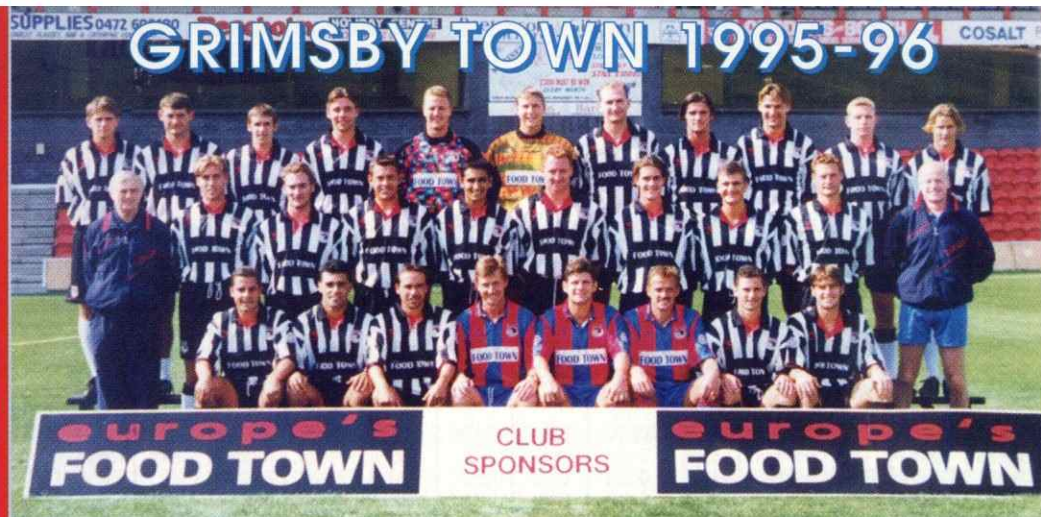
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IVANO BONETTI

Ivano Bonetti, aged 31 has a wealth of experience playing in top flight Italian Football. Having started his career with his local Club Brescia in 1981 playing 70 times for them, he moved on to Genoa (31 apps) before in 1985 he made his Serie A debut for Juventus v Roma. Ivano also enjoyed spells at Bologna (1988-90 62 apps), Sampdoria (1990-93 61 apps), Bologna again (1993-94 18 apps) and Torino (1994-95, five apps) whilst also spending a 26 match loan spell at Atalanta. His honours amount to two Serie A Championships, 1 European Cup and 1 Inter-Continental Cup (World Club Championship). Since joining Grimsby Town Football Club initially on loan he has become the first Italian to play in the Endsleigh Football League.

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JANUARY 6th

1883

A team with one of the longest names in football - the Manchester, Sheffield & Lincolnshire Railway Steamship Depot - visit Grimsby for a Lincolnshire Cup tie. Town win 2-1 at the Clee Park ground to reach the Semi-Final.

1912

The Mariners record their best League result of the 1911-1912 season when defeating Leicester Fosse 4-0. Jim Gordon, Fred Staniforth, Arthur Mounteney and Frank Martin are on target.

1923

Town's dismal form in the Third Division North continues with a 1-2 home defeat against Bradford Park Avenue. The Mariners had now won only one of their last nine games.

1940

Grimsby's first game of the new decade is a Regional League East Midland Division fixture. A crowd of 2,215 sees Doncaster Rovers win this wartime game 2-0 in South Yorkshire.

1951

The Third Round of the FA Cup brings Third Division South team Exeter City to Blundell Park. Despite goals from Scotson, Bloomer and Mackenzie, Exeter achieve a 3-3 draw, then triumph 4-2 in the replay.

1962

The first game of the New Year, and the beginning of Town's run to promotion from Division Three. Goals from Willie Purvis, Ron Rafferty and Fred Jones beat Bournemouth 3-0, starting a sequence of seven straight wins.



Ron Rafferty

1990

Grimsby's last ever visit to Huddersfield's Leeds Road ground is for a Third Round FA Cup tie. Dave Gilbert's strike however is not enough before a near 10,000 crowd, as the Terriers win the game 3-1.

AND IN THE NEWS...

1912

New Mexico becomes the 47th state of America.

1937

Wimbledon Champion, Fred Perry, makes his professional tennis debut in New York.

1950

Britain officially recognises the new Communist Republic of China.

1971

Sonny Liston, former World Heavyweight Boxing Champion, dies.

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4	GARY WADDOCK
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