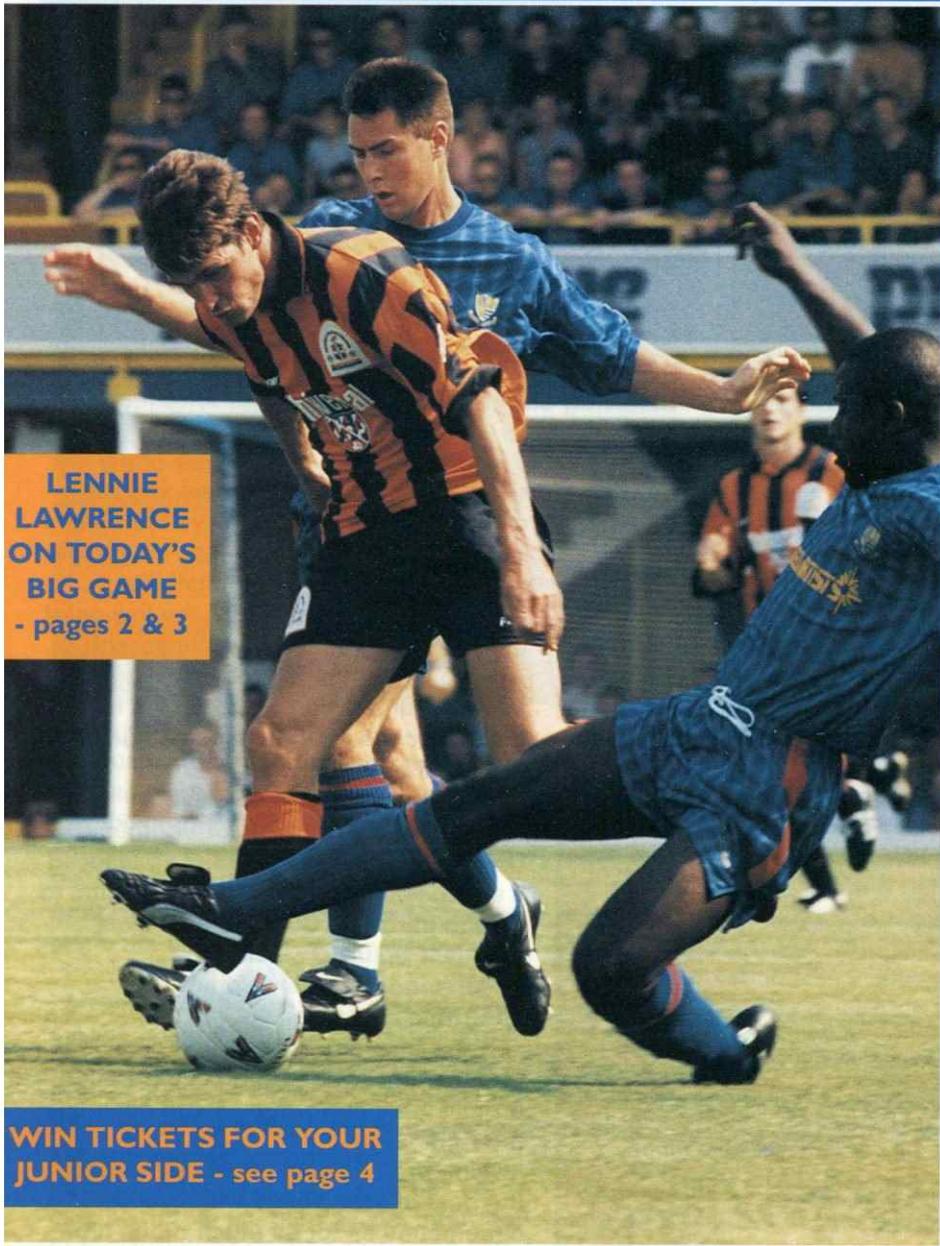


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LUTON TOWN FOOTBALL CLUB



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PRIDE HAS TO BE RESTORED AGAINST SOUTHEND TODAY

LAST Saturday's exit against Grimsby in our FA Cup third round tie was a massive disappointment to everybody connected with Luton Town Football Club; directors, management, players, and most of all the long suffering supporters who made the long journey to Blundell Park.

To lose was bad enough but the manner of the defeat was difficult to accept and although the players deserve their share of criticism it is the manager, as always, who has to take the responsibility.

Hopefully that represents the low point in Luton Town's fortunes this season and we can begin the job of moving forwards and progressing up the league table which is the only task remaining for us this season.

Today we welcome the players, supporters and officials of Southend United Football Club, who have enjoyed a successful run recently which came to an end in the FA Cup defeat at West Ham last Saturday, although I understand they were somewhat unfortunate to lose.

For us this game is our first chance to restore some pride to the club through a professional performance and hopefully the right result.

Being professional means playing to the best of your ability whatever the circumstances for as much of the time as possible, and we certainly need to improve our professionalism from our performance last week.

Ability on its own is not enough, especially in our situation in the league. I have said before that individually and collectively we need to improve our mental toughness so that we can cope



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ABOVE: Manager Lennie Lawrence, and his new first-team coach Wayne Turner, make a change during last Saturday's cup match at Grimsby.

better with setbacks, bad decisions, bad luck and all the other problems we can face in a football match.

At the moment we are not well equipped enough to do that and that is the first thing that must change, and until we learn to cope better we cannot climb the league.

However I believe that with the players currently at the club there still remains a good chance of avoiding relegation if we can show the necessary professionalism and create a spirit that does not allow individual players to fall below acceptable standards.

Some players will today get the chance to redeem themselves after last Saturday's performance and some will have to wait a week, or longer, but the 14 on duty today carry the hopes and expectations, and even demands, of the fans after the match at Grimsby.

As well as the need and desire to play well, we must be seen to be trying to the best of our ability. Many supporters

will be totally disillusioned after last Saturday's game, but I hope they all at least give us the chance today to start to put things right, and give us the same support at the start which helped us so much in the eventful game against Huddersfield.

On the injury front, John Taylor is back in the squad today after missing the trip to Grimsby, but unfortunately Dwight Marshall injured his knee in training this week and looks set to miss this afternoon's match. Hopefully he will be fit to resume next week at Norwich.

Ceri Hughes has resumed training, and could figure for the reserves at Watford on Tuesday.

Thank you to those supporters who have written to wish me well at Luton Town. Your support is appreciated and let's hope we can start that progression up the Division One table this afternoon.

AROUND THE TOWN

WIN tickets for your junior side in our Team of the Month award

THE Loyal Luton Supporters Club have once again teamed up with LutonTown to offer junior teams in the area the chance to watch a Hatters home match absolutely free.

The fans have successfully applied for a grant from the National Westminster Bank, as part of the bank's community programme, and, supported by the Football Club, wish to donate tickets for youngsters in the area to try and attract new supporters to Kenilworth Road.

The tickets will take the form of a monthly award, starting with January 1996, which will enable the winning team, and their manager, to watch the next Hatters' home game the following month.

The winning team will be selected from YOUR nominations, and is not just aimed at the teams at the top of the leagues.

Managers or parents should write in telling us why your team should be the Team of the Month. It may be that you recorded a first win, or only lost narrowly to the top side in your

league.

Supporting the scheme, Luton Town spokesman Simon Oxley said: "This is a marvellous gesture by the supporters, which proved very popular last season.

"In total nearly 100 youngsters were able to come and watch Luton matches at Kenilworth Road, and all had an excellent day out.

"Initiatives such as this are very welcome, and shows the spirit that exists at Luton Town."

Loyal Luton Supporters Club committee member Kevin Lennon added: "We felt this was a successful venture last year, and thanks to NatWest we can do it again.

"This scheme complements our kit sponsorship for skipper Steve Davis this season."

Nominations should be sent in, by the end of the month please, to: Junior Team Award (January), c/o Simon Oxley, LTFC, Kenilworth Stadium, 1 Maple Road, Luton, Beds, LU4 8AW.

Look out for a presentation on the pitch this afternoon to launch our new award.



The Loyal Luton Supporters Club are kit sponsors for Steve Davis

FRONT COVER: Centre-forward John Taylor tests the Southend defence during Luton's 1-0 win at Roots Hall in August, when Tony Thorpe netted the winner.

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LEFT: Leading scorer Dwight Marshall takes a tumble at Blundell Park last Saturday



A BELATED Happy New Year to everyone, and let's hope for a winning start to the league matches in 1996.

It was a frustrating end to 1995, and start to 1996, for me, after that sending off against Huddersfield, followed by the postponements against Palace, Port Vale and Sheffield United.

I was obviously disappointed to be dismissed against Huddersfield, and felt that I had made contact with the ball rather than with Andy Booth.

But as soon as the whistle went and the referee reached for his book I knew it would be a red card.

It was particularly disappointing given the position we were in, but I must compliment the lads on recovering to gain a valuable draw.

We were in good spirits for the trip to Palace, but

as soon as we arrived at the ground there seemed no chance of playing.

It was rock hard everywhere, and would have proved too dangerous for the players, as well as ruining it as a spectacle for the fans.

The referee had no choice in my opinion, but it was frustrating to say the least for us, after coming back on Christmas Day to prepare for the game, and no doubt for you the fans having travelled down there for a 12 noon kick-off.

For me personally the fact that the next two games were also postponed was a blow, as I knew that I would also be missing last weekend.

Fortunately though the sending off only resulted in a one-match ban, so I will be available today.

Losing in the cup is always difficult to take, but the players know that we have to improve, have a lot to prove, and quickly.

We will be aiming for a league double today, after the 1-0 win at Southend in August.

That was the sort of gritty, fighting performance that we need to reproduce in the forthcoming matches to lift the club off the bottom and up the league. Everyone has a part to play, and the support you gave to boost the team against Huddersfield was very much appreciated.

Smith's December delight

DERBY County manager Jim Smith has been confirmed as the Endsleigh Insurance League Division One Manager of the Month for December.

Jim Smith has guided the Rams to the top of the first division table and they are currently enjoying a seven-point gap between themselves and nearest challengers Charlton.

Derby took maximum points from their five outings in December.

In Division Two, Crewe Alexandra's manager Dario Gradi secures the award after steering the Railwaymen to the top of the second division table at the end of the month - the highest league position in the club's 119-year history during the four division set-up of the Football League.

Cambridge United boss Tommy Taylor takes the Division Three award, after three wins from their four matches in December.

Keep up-to-date with all the news from Kenilworth Road on
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Steve Davis

FROM THE SECRETARY'S CHAIR with Cherry Newbery



WE can now confirm several dates for rearranged fixtures, following the postponements over Christmas and New Year.

On Saturday, January 27, originally set aside for the fourth round of the FA Cup, we will be away to either Crystal Palace or Port Vale, depending on the result of the third round replay between the two sides due to be played this coming Tuesday.

Then on Wednesday, January 31, we will be at home to Sheffield United, kick-off 7.45pm. (This means that our Eastern Junior Cup tie against Cambridge City, rescheduled for January 30, has once again been postponed to a later date).

This game is being played on Wednesday, rather than our usual Tuesday for midweek matches, because Sheffield United could be involved in a televised FA Cup fourth round tie on Sunday, January 28.

The original date for the game against Sheffield United was of course New Years Day, but unfortunately that match was postponed 24 hours in advance on December 31. The decision was

made by the referee as the pitch was a combination of hard, frosty areas, and waterlogged, thawed patches.

A decision on Sunday afternoon also enabled plenty of notice to be given to supporters of both clubs by way of radio, television and ClubCall, and also in the morning papers on New Years Day.

It is also worth pointing out, that next weekend's game at Norwich remains on Saturday, and has not been switched to Sunday for live television coverage, as some supporters may have anticipated.

Also, Tuesday's reserve game at Watford remains a 2pm kick-off, having briefly been switched to 7pm after the possibility of television coverage on the Live TV cable service.

Finally, thank you to the Challney School Band for their efforts during the Huddersfield match, and thank you to those supporters who have written to compliment the musical entertainment.



DEFENDER Nathan Jones (pictured left) has been released by Luton Town, and has joined Spanish side Real Badajoz.

The Spaniards are managed by former Newport manager Colin Addison, who was also manager at Merthyr Tydfil - Nathan's previous club.

The 22-year-old joined the Hatters in the summer, and despite a number of reserve outings did not make a senior appearance.

IF you are a Milton Keynes-based Hatters fan who finds difficulty in travelling to home games then the Bletchley Hatters Club could be the answer to your problems.

They can offer coach travel to all Luton Town home matches from various pick-up points in Bletchley, Bow Brickhill, Woburn Sands and Aspley Guise.

For further information, and bookings, please telephone Milton Keynes (01908) 377750.

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Sat Feb 3	Leicester City	£7.00	£5.50	11.00am	12 noon
Wed Feb 21	Derby County	£7.50	£6.00	3.15pm	4.15pm
Sat Feb 24	Sunderland	£14.50	£12.00	7.30am	8.30am

Please note: Coaches from Cranfield also pick-up in Marston Moretaine, Stewartby, Ampthill, Flitwick, Westoning, and opposite the Luton Gateway Hotel, before departing from the junction of Hazelbury Crescent and Kenilworth Road.

You can book a place on the coaches in a number of ways:

- 1) From the ticket kiosk in the Kenilworth Road turnstiles. See Paul Deason before any Saturday first-team home match between 2.15 and 2.45pm. (No bookings taken at midweek matches).
- 2) On the return journey from the previous away game.
- 3) Telephone Paul Deason on Bedford (01234) 750996



LUTON TOWN TICKET OFFICE NEWS

Norwich City v Luton Town

ENDSLEIGH LEAGUE DIVISION ONE

Saturday, January 20, 1996, kick-off 3pm

This is an ALL-TICKET match for Luton supporters and there will be NO tickets available on the day at Norwich. Seats only for Luton supporters - £10 (no concessions). Tickets will be available until 4pm on Friday, January 19.

(The ticket office will be open on Saturday, January 20, from 9.30 to 11.30am).

Crystal Palace or Port Vale v Luton Town

ENDSLEIGH LEAGUE DIVISION ONE

Saturday, January 27, 1996, kick-off 3pm

(Luton will be away, in a rescheduled league game, to either Crystal Palace or Port Vale, depending on the FA Cup third round replay between the two sides on Tuesday, January 16).

Crystal Palace: Adults £14, Juniors/Seniors £5. Tickets already purchased will be valid. Supporters who purchased tickets in advance from Luton Town FC can claim a refund from the Kenilworth Road ticket office. Supporters who purchased tickets on Boxing Day at Selhurst Park can claim a refund by returning their tickets to Crystal Palace FC.

Port Vale: £10 (no concessions) - pay on the day only. (The ticket office will be open on Saturday, January 27, from 9.30 to 11.30am).

Luton Town v Sheffield United

ENDSLEIGH LEAGUE DIVISION ONE

Wednesday, January 31, 1996, kick-off 7.45pm

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

Tickets purchased for the postponed game on January 1, 1996 remain valid. To obtain a full refund, tickets must be returned to the ticket office no later than Tuesday, January 30.

Leicester City v Luton Town

ENDSLEIGH LEAGUE DIVISION ONE

Saturday, February 3, 1996, kick-off 3pm

Unreserved seating only at Leicester City. Tickets are priced at £10 for adults and £5 for juniors. Tickets are available from the Kenilworth Road ticket office until 4pm on Friday, February 2, and also on the day at Leicester. But please note: There will be NO CONCESSIONS on the day at Filbert Street.

(The Kenilworth Road ticket office will be open on Saturday, February 3, from 10am to 12 noon.

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Norwich City

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Port Vale

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Directions courtesy of AA.

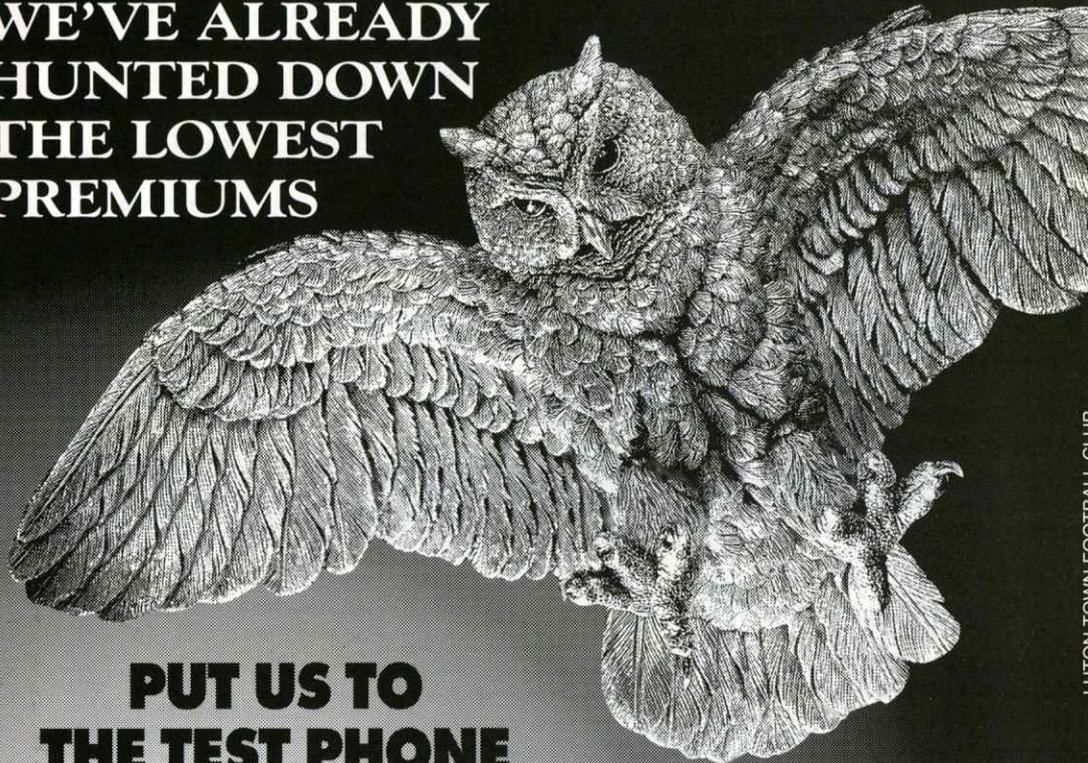
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AROUND THE TOWN

LUTON TOWN FAN FILE



Name: *STEEVEN SHARPE.*
Age: 15.

Area I live: *Hatch End, Middlesex.*

The first time I saw Luton play: *v Crystal Palace in 1989 (ish).*

The best Luton player I have ever seen: *Mick Harford*

If I had unlimited funds, which player would I buy for Luton, and why: *Lee Walker of Wealdstone - he heads the ball brilliantly!*

Best game ever seen: *Luton 3 West Ham 2 in the FA Cup sixth round.*

My favourite away ground, and why: *Highbury always has a good atmosphere.*

One new football law I'd introduce: *Four linesmen.*

What I like about Kenilworth Road: *You are close to the pitch.*

And dislike: *Lack of atmosphere since all-seater.*

Would you like to appear here? If so, simply copy out the questions, complete your answers and enclose a passport style photo, and send to: Fanfile, c/o Programme Editor, LTFC.



AWAY the lads..... Town fans Ray, Dave, Craig and Will on holiday in Lindos, on the Greek island of Rhodes.



LUTON supporter Clinton West has a number of Town programmes for sale, dating from the late 1950s to the 1990s. If anyone would like to receive a list of the programmes available, they should send a stamped, addressed envelope to Mr West at 63 Dingleway, Appleton, Warrington, WA4 3AG.

HAIR we go..... Town duo Marvin Johnson and Ceri Hughes joined Luton boxer Billy Schwer to launch the newly-refurbished Hairs and Graces, in High Street South, Dunstable.

If you would like to be featured in the Luton Town matchday programme, send your picture to Simon Oxley, Luton Town FC, Kenilworth Stadium, 1 Maple Road, Luton, Beds, LU4 8AW.



SOUTHEND UNITED 1995/96

Spotlight on today's visitors



Back row: l to r: Dominic Iorfa, Luke Morrish, Andy Sussex, Paul Sansome, Dave Regis, Simon Royce, Mark Hone, Danny Foot, Leo Roget.

Middle row: l to r: Danny Greaves, Ijah Anderson, Declan Perkins, Gary Jones, Roger Willis, Phil Gridelet, Steve Tilson, Keith Dublin, John Gowans.

Front row: l to r: Andy Ansah, Andy Thomson, Theo Foley, Mick Bodley, Ronnie Whelan, Julian Hails, Chris Powell.



SOUTHEND UNITED 1995/96

MARK HONE - Signed from non-league Welling last September, he settled into the right-back slot before suffering with injury.

DOMINIC IORFA - Nigerian international striker who suffered injury last year and a malaria scare this summer.

GARY JONES - Signed for £25,000 two years ago from Boston United, his Blues career took off in the last third of last season with a good goalscoring run, including the opener in the 3-0 defeat of Luton in March. Finished the season as joint leading scorer with 11 goals.

LUKE MORRISH - Signed as a junior professional this summer after an impressive first year on YTS terms.

DECLAN PERKINS - Irish Under-21 international who is in his second year as a pro.

CHRIS POWELL - Highly-rated left-back who was this week linked with a move to Manchester City.

DAVID REGIS - Tall striker who had a serious injury to his knee shortly after joining the Blues from Birmingham in September 1994, which effectively sidelined him for the rest of the season. Now looking to justify his £150,000 transfer.

DAVID ROCHE - Moved to Roots Hall on deadline day for £50,000 from Doncaster.

LEO ROGET - Central defender currently on loan at Brentford.

SIMON ROYCE - Blues paid a further £25,000 to Heybridge Swifts last summer, to add to the £10,000 they originally paid when goalkeeper Royce joined the club in David Webb's managerial period.

PAUL SANSOME - Lost the number one goalkeeping position to Royce at the end of last season, but is an experienced deputy having made over 300 league appearances for the Roots Hall club. Went on loan to Birmingham this week.

ANDY SUSSEX - Versatile member of the squad who has played in central defence, in midfield and up front. Formerly with Orient and Crewe.

ANDY THOMSON - Suffered with injury after a £250,000 move from Queen of the South last close season, but still finished the campaign as joint top scorer with 11 goals.

STEVE TILSON - Hardworking midfielder with 200 Southend appearances to his name.

ROGER WILLIS - Formerly with Barnet and Watford, he joined Southend for £100,000 from Birmingham last year.

Meet the Manager

RONNIE WHELAN was appointed Southend manager in the summer, following Steve Thompson's departure to Notts County, having joined the club at the start of last season following a 15 year association with Liverpool.

He arrived at Anfield in October 1979, and made over 400 appearances in a career which yielded six League Championship, one European Cup, two FA Cup and three League Cup medals.

Dublin-born Whelan, a product of the Home Farm club, made his Republic of Ireland debut in 1981, going on to record 53 appearances in total.

Now, alongside experienced assistant Theo Foley, he is continuing the trend of ex-Liverpool players making successful careers in management.



SOUTHEND striker Andy Thomson, marked by Julian James in the league meeting earlier this season.

A Hatter and a Shrimper...

Now at his 12th league club, Nottingham-born **IAN BENJAMIN** included spells at both Kenilworth Road and Roots Hall on his travels although his stay here was relatively short.

Joining Sheffield United from school, Benjamin had made only seven appearances for the Blades when West Bromwich Albion stepped in with a bid of £100,000 in August 1979.

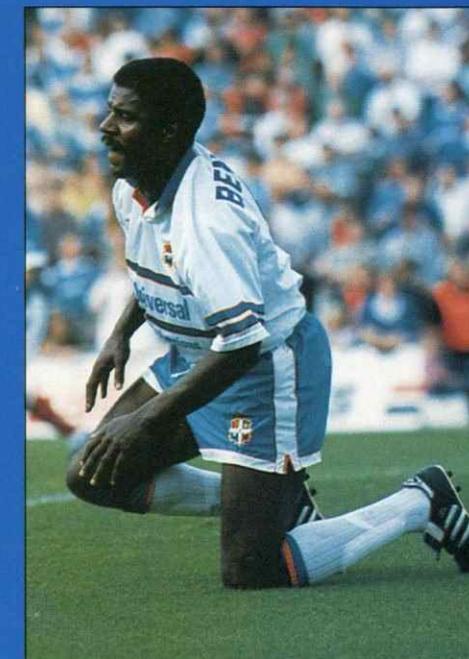
Unfortunately he was picked for the first team only twice in almost three years and eventually was off-loaded to Notts County on a free transfer.

After making no appearances at Meadow Lane he was on his way again, this time to Peterborough where he finally began to fulfil his early promise and bang in the goals.

This was followed by equally successful spells at Northampton, Cambridge, Chester and Exeter, before he joined Southend in March 1990.

He became a crowd favourite at Roots Hall as Southend fought their way to Division Two (now Division One) for the first time in their history, and it took a £50,000 cheque to enable Luton's David Pleat to prise him away in November 1992.

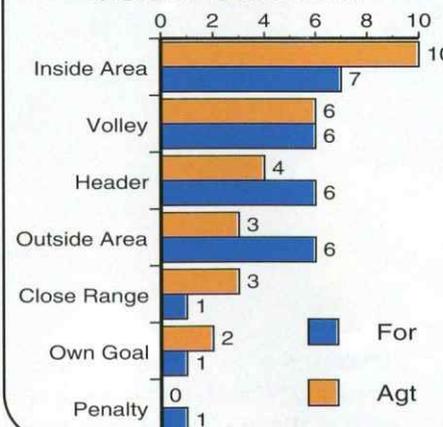
Signed as a replacement for Steve Claridge,



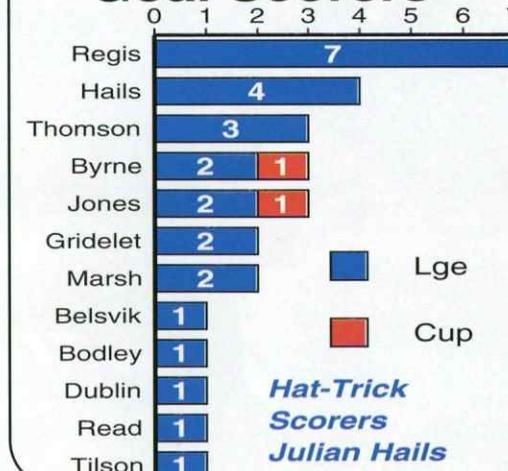
he made his debut in the home game against Millwall on November 21, 1992, and seemed set fair for a successful Luton career when he scored against the 'old enemy' Watford at Kenilworth Road the following week.

Unfortunately this early promise was not reproduced, and after a further 11 starts, and only one more goal, he was allowed to go to Brentford a year later and from there to Wigan at the start of last season. - **ROGER WASH**.

How Goals have been Scored

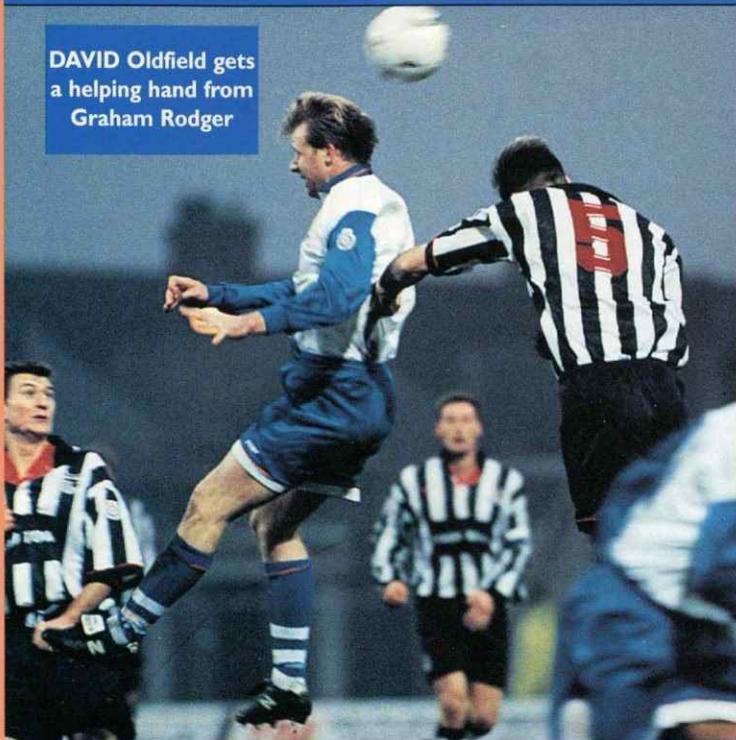


Goal Scorers



GRIMSBY TOWN v LUTON TOWN

DAVID Oldfield gets a helping hand from Graham Rodger



From
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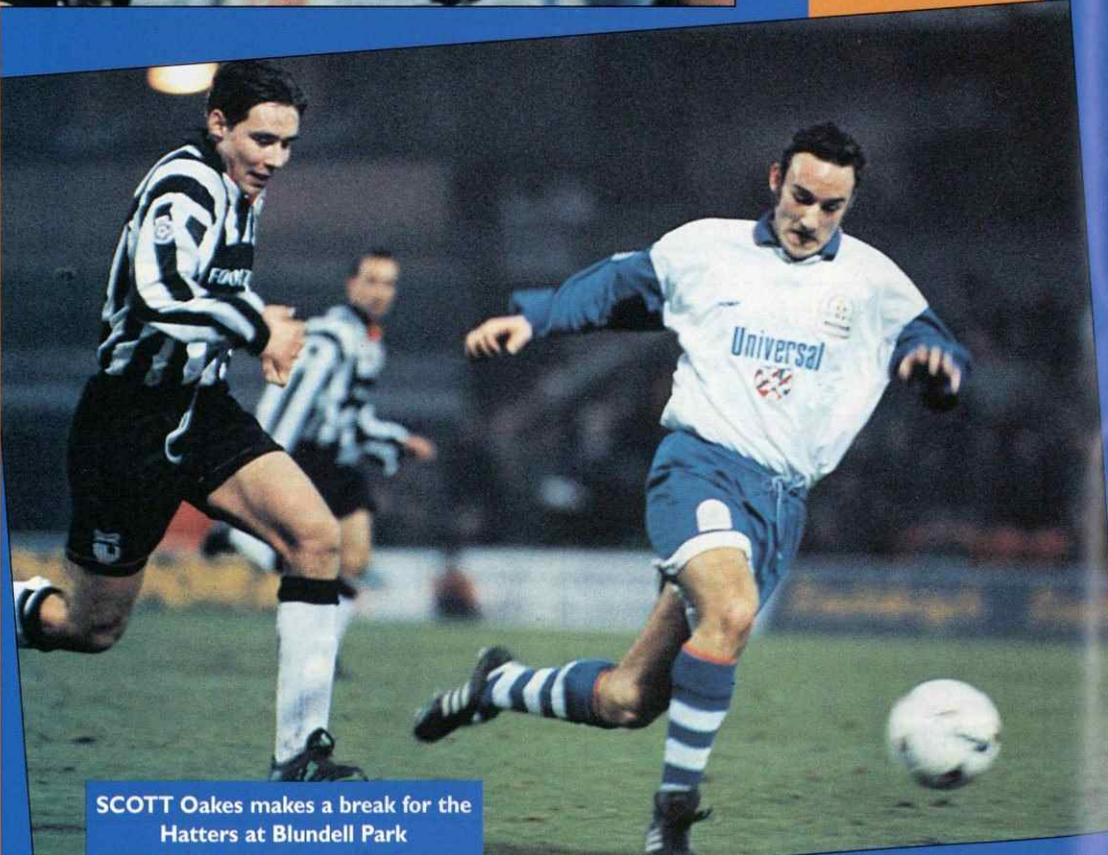
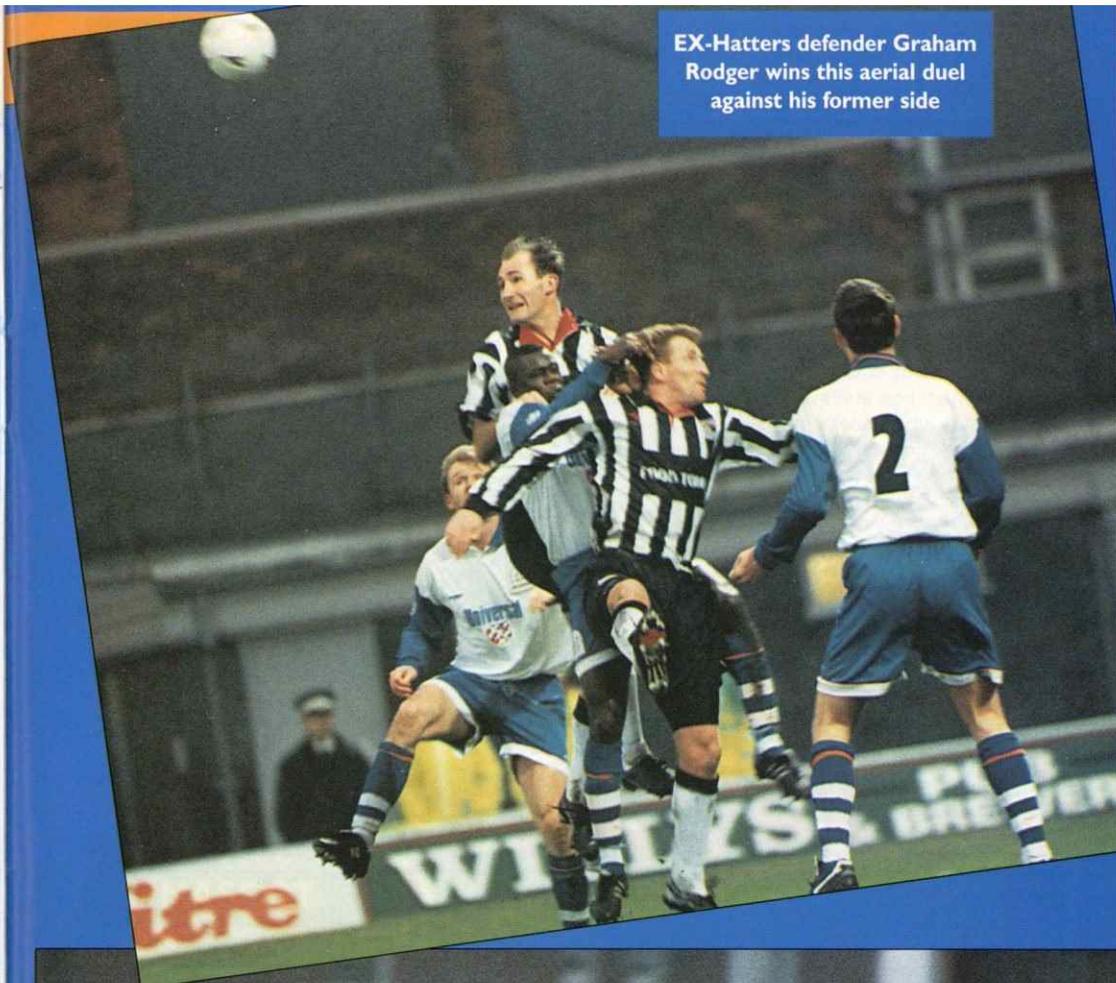
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Grimsby Town 7
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Luton Town 1
(Marshall)

Attendance 5,387

Pictures by
ANDY HANDLEY

EX-Hatters defender Graham Rodger wins this aerial duel against his former side



SCOTT Oakes makes a break for the Hatters at Blundell Park



DWIGHT Marshall nets Luton's first-half goal, and (inset) Mitchell Thomas halts Grimsby's progress



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THERE is a Junior Hatters trip to watch Luton take on the Canaries of Norwich City next Saturday, January 20.

The coach will leave Kenilworth Road at 11am, and tickets are £8 for Junior Hatters, and £10 for adults and junior members. These prices include your match ticket! Please book at the club shop.

A belated Happy New Year to all Junior Hatters and thanks to everyone who attended our Junior Hatters Xmas Party, at the Dallow Road Junior School. See page 45 of today's programme for pictures from the party attended by many first team players.

RIGHT: Santa and Happy Harry handed out presents to young fans before the game against Huddersfield



Don't forget the popular Saturday Club is 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 inside the Family Room after the game.

Please bring trainers and a drink.

MATCH DAY MASCOT



Name: Joanne Harris
Age: 14
School: Redbourne Upper School
Local team played for: None
Other hobbies: Netball, rounders, hockey
Favourite player: Kelvin Davis



RACHEL Turner was our mascot against Huddersfield. She is pictured (above) with the team captains and match officials, and (left) with one of her favourite players Paul McLaren.

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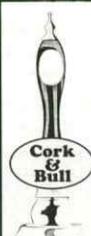
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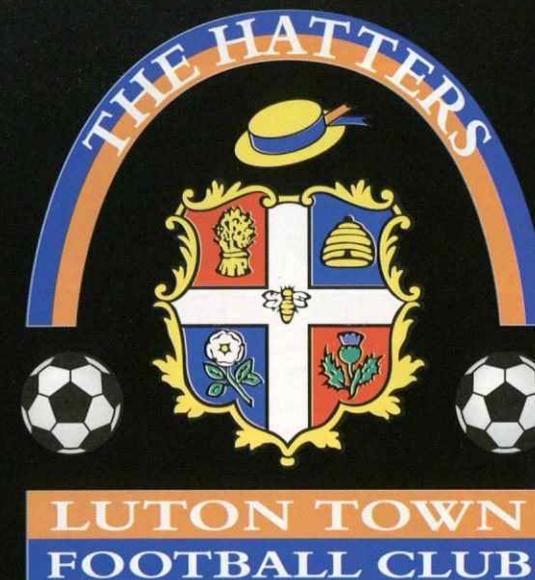
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LEFT: Early Luton fans watch the pitch inspection

BELOW: Wayne Turner, Lennie Lawrence and Crystal Palace's Director of Football Steve Coppell discuss the merits of pitch covers!



THESE pages were reserved for action pictures from the Boxing Day match at Crystal Palace, but unfortunately the frost intervened and game was called off just 45 minutes before the scheduled 12 noon kick-off.

The game may now be rearranged for Saturday, January 27, depending on the outcome of Tuesday's cup replay between Palace and Port Vale. See pages 8 and 9 for full details.



LEFT: Referee Paul Taylor makes his final inspection.
ABOVE: John Moore and the Hatters players look on.

THE ADAM DEALEY FUND

ADAM Dealey, who died in July 1995 aged 10, suffered from a rare cancer, "Ewings Sarcoma", which is found only in children.

Fifty new cases are diagnosed each year in the UK, and Adam's family have set up a fund in his memory to raise funds in order to help other children suffering from the condition.

Charity status is in the process of being applied for, to further the research and treatment of "Ewings Sarcoma" and other childhood cancers.

The biggest cause of death in children under 14 is cancer.

Adam's condition was diagnosed in October 1994, and he underwent eight intensive chemotherapy courses, radiotherapy, and major

surgery to remove a rib.

Adam lived in Hemel Hempstead and attended Southill School. He played football for the Hemel Lions, as well as being the youngest boy to represent his school at football.

Adam also loved tennis and at the age of seven represented Hertfordshire in the East of England County Championships.

He regularly watched Luton up until two years ago, and was a mascot when Luton played Manchester City in November 1991.

The last matches he attended were the fixtures home and away against Southend last season.

To date the fund set up in his name has raised over £5,000, and Luton Town have donated the use of an executive box at a home fixture, to be auctioned to raise further proceeds for the Adam Dealey Fund.

Donations can also be sent, for the attention of Neil Johnson - Manager, to: Midland Bank, 23 The Marlowes, Hemel Hempstead, Herts, HP1 1LG.

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LEFT: Adam Dealey (second right) pictured at the Southend v Luton match last season, with his father John, Town striker Dwight Marshall, and brother Justin.



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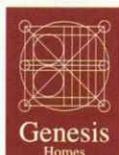
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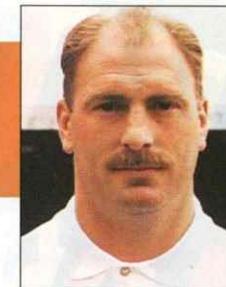


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INJURY UPDATE..... with LTFC physio Clive Goodyear



WITH the postponement of matches over the Christmas and New Year period, there are relatively few injuries to report.

CERI HUGHES is progressing well after his hamstring injury, and has been gradually stepping up his training work, although at the time of writing it was unlikely that he would play for the reserve team at QPR on Thursday.

However, one player who was in line to play was **VIDAR RISETH** whose back injury is not as bad as was first feared.

He came off after 15 minutes of the reserve match against Portsmouth, after a month-long layoff with back trouble, but was suffering only with a muscle spasm and there does not appear to be any long-term damage.

Elsewhere, **TREVOR PEAKE** is playing again after his knee injury, **JOHNNY VILSTRUP** continues to regain full fitness after his ankle injury, and **JULIAN JAMES** returned to the side at Grimsby following his nose operation.



CERI Hughes



JULIAN James

THE Football League have teamed up with the Chartered Institute of Marketing to host a seminar for Commercial Managers at Endsleigh Insurance League clubs.

The Football League's ultimate aim is to link a formal programme of seminars to academically recognised standard whereby participants have the opportunity of being awarded the Chartered Institute of Marketing Advanced Certificate in Marketing and Sales Management Practice.

Representatives from 20 clubs throughout the three divisions of The Football League will 'test the water' in a one-day introductory seminar which will be held at the Institute's Training Headquarters in Berkshire on Monday, January 22.

Commenting on his new seminar initiative, Steve Sutherland, the Football League's marketing executive, said: "The annual value of club sponsorship with the Endsleigh Insurance League is £4.5 million and the ability to attract and indeed retain sponsors in the future will depend on whether football as an industry adopts the principle that investment in people means staying ahead of the competition."

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:

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

Please leave the area of the ground as quickly as possible by the route directed. Your co-operation will be most appreciated.

GEOFF LOVELL, Safety Manager.

WATFORD have been confirmed as the latest winners of the Yokohama 'Best Performance on the Road' award for December, as a result of their 2-1 win at Millwall.

The Football League announced this new sponsorship agreement with major tyre manufacturer, Yokohama, at the start of the season, designed to recognise the Endsleigh Insurance League Division One side that achieves the most outstanding away performance in all competitions each month.

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Introducing the 'LTFC Penalty Challenge'



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TODAY we introduce the Luton Town FC Penalty Challenge as part of your half-time entertainment - a competition organised in conjunction with The Windowcraft Chiltern Youth Football League, further strengthening our ties with the local youth league that has approximately 200 teams and 3,000 registered players.

The clubs in the competition, which covers the age groups of Under 10, Under 11 and Under 12, have held their own penalty shoot-outs to select their champion to represent them here at Kenilworth Road.

Today we have a contest in the Under 10 age group, with the 'champions' of Harlington Juniors and Dunstable Town Youth competing for a place in the Under 10 Final which will be held later in the season.

Both boys will take three penalties, and should they both record the same number of goals, then 'sudden-death' on an equal number of penalties taken will decide.

We welcome the players, and their families and friends, to Kenilworth Road, and please give both youngsters your support.

At the home game against Grimsby on February 10, the overall Under 12 champion will be decided when winners from West Luton Saints, Dunstable Town Youth and Limbury BC compete.

NEIL Smith representing
Harlington Juniors

For details of community events, or for details about a coaching course at your school, contact: Football in the Community, LTFC, Kenilworth Road Stadium, 1 Maple Road, Luton, Beds, LU4 8AW, or telephone on (01582) 411622.

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RESERVES & YOUTH ROUND-UP

WITH TREVOR PEAKE AND JOHN MOORE

THE Town's reserve side returned to Avon Insurance Combination action, following two postponements, with a 2-0 home win over Portsmouth at Kenilworth Road.

Norwegian striker Vidar Riseth was forced off with a back injury after 15 minutes of a quiet first-half, but the Hatters took the lead eight minutes after the break when Johnny Vilstrup sent Tony Thorpe clear down the right wing.

Thorpe cut inside before converting his fifth goal of the Combination season, beating Pompey keeper Aaron Flahavan at the near post.

On 57 minutes, Richard Harvey's free kick hit the post, and on 65 minutes Flahavan saved Thorpe's penalty after a foul on Des Linton.

But a minute later Linton headed home Graham Alexander's corner to make it 2-0.

Portsmouth had several



DES Linton



TONY Thorpe

Avon Insurance Combination Apps and Goalscorers (3/1/96)

	Apps	G		Apps	G
Barber	7		Fitzpatrick	1	
Chenery	14 (3)		Douglas	5 (3)	2
G Johnson	10	1	Evers	6 (3)	
James	9	1	Taylor	2	1
Greene	8		Power	3 (4)	
Skelton	9 (1)		Alexander	4	
Linton	9	3	Augustine	1 (1)	
McLaren	9		Willmott	1 (2)	
Issott	3 (6)	1	Oldfield	8	1
Jones	10 (4)	2	Fotiadis	2	1
Matthews	3	2	Sharpe	1	
Woolgar	1 (2)		Simpson	8 (2)	1
K Davis	10		J Thomas	1 (1)	
Peake	4		Kean	(2)	
Woodsford	15	3	Guentchev	8	4
Hughes	1		Allen	1	
Thorpe	9 (1)	5	Turner	1	
M Thomas	8		Sweeney	(1)	
Waddock	7		Patterson	1	
Codner	2		Vilstrup	3	
Boskovic	1		Abbey	1	
Barr	(1)		Riseth	1 (1)	
			Harvey	1	

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)	lost 3-1
Mon Sep 11	Watford (H)	drew 0-0
Wed Sep 20	Crystal Palace (H)	lost 1-0
Tue Sep 26	West Ham Utd (A)	lost 2-1
Mon Oct 2	Stotfold (A) (BPC)	won 3-2
Wed Oct 4	Bristol City (H)	won 2-0
Wed Oct 11	Brighton (A)	lost 3-1
Wed Oct 18	Charlton Ath (H)	won 6-2
Wed Oct 25	Ipswich Town (A)	won 1-0
Wed Nov 1	Wimbledon (A)	lost 2-1
Wed Nov 8	Norwich City (H)	lost 2-1
Wed Nov 15	Oxford Utd (A)	lost 3-2
Wed Nov 22	Southampton (H)	won 1-0
Tue Nov 28	Arsenal (H)	lost 4-0
Wed Dec 6	Bristol Rovers (H)	won 4-1
Mon Dec 11	Chelsea (A)	drew 0-0
Mon Dec 18	Barton (A) BPC	lost 2-1
Wed Jan 3	Portsmouth (H)	won 2-0
Thur Jan 11	QPR (A)	
Tue Jan 16	Watford (A)	2pm
Tue Jan 23	Crystal Palace (A)	2pm
Wed Jan 31	W Ham Utd (H)	postponed
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
TBA	Millwall (H)	
TBA	Tottenham (A)	

All home matches to be played at Kenilworth Road until the end of November. From Wednesday, December 6, matches to be played at Hitchin Town FC.



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

Sat Aug 12	Crystal Palace (H)	lost 5-2	Thur Oct 26	C'bridge C (FAYC)(A)	9-1	Sat Jan 27	Oxford United	(A)
Sat Aug 19	Swindon Town (A)	won 3-1	Sat Oct 28	C Palace (LC2)(A)	lost 4-1	Sat Feb 3	AFC Bournemouth	(H)
Sat Aug 26	Colchester U (H)	won 2-0	Sat Nov 4	Barnet (H)	lost 2-1	Sat Feb 10	Bristol City	(A)
Mon Aug 28	Coventry (SJFC) (A)	1-1	Sat Nov 11	Reading (A)	won 4-0	Sat Feb 17	Wimbledon	(H)
Thur Aug 31	Coventry (SJFC) (H)	0-3	Wed Nov 15	Kettering(EJC)(A)	won 11-3	Sat Feb 24	Brentford	(A)
Sat Sep 2	Wycombe W (A)	lost 1-0	Sat Nov 18	Southampton (A)	lost 3-1	Sat Mar 2	Brighton & Hove Albion(H)	
Sat Sep 9	Oxford United (H)	drew 2-2	Sat Nov 25	Leicester C (FAYC)(A)	2-1	Sat Mar 9	Barnet	(A)
Sat Sep 16	C'bridge (LC1) (H)	won 5-0	Sat Dec 2	Tottenham H (H)	drew 2-2	Sat Mar 16	Reading	(H)
Sat Sep 23	Bournemouth (A)	won 4-0	Sat Dec 9	Bristol Rovers (A)	won 1-0	Sat Mar 23	Southampton	(H)
Sat Sep 30	Bristol City (H)	won 3-2	Sat Dec 16	Bristol Rovers (H)	won 1-0	Sat Mar 30	Tottenham Hotspur (A)	
Tue Oct 3	B'tham/S (EJC)(A)	won 6-0	Sat Jan 6	Swindon Town (H)	won 3-1	All home matches to be played at Luton Rugby Club.		
Sat Oct 7	Wimbledon (A)	lost 2-0	Tue Jan 9	Lpool (FAYC) (A)	lost 5-0	TBA Brighton & HA (A)		
Sat Oct 14	Brentford (H)	won 4-1	Sat Jan 13	Colchester United (A)		TBA Crystal Palace (A)		
Sat Oct 21	C Palace (LC2) (H)	1-1	Sat Jan 20	Wycombe Wanderers (H)				

openings after that, with Kelvin Davis twice saving well from substitute Anthony Tilley.

Team: Davis, James (Chenery), Harvey, Linton, Peake, Skelton, Guentchev (Simpson), Vilstrup, Riseth (Thorpe), Woodsford, Alexander.

The Reserves were due to play at QPR on Thursday evening, and on Tuesday travel to Watford, kick-off 2pm at Vicarage Road.

The Youth team are currently second in South East Counties Division Two, following last Saturday's 3-1 home win over Swindon.

The Town youngsters fell behind to an early goal, but hit back with goals from Sam Turner, Stuart Douglas and Andrew Smith.

Team: Abbey, Turner, Sweeney, Kean, Willmott, Upson, Augustine, Spring (George), Douglas (Barr), Fotiadis (Thomas), Smith.

The youth team bowed out of the FA Youth Cup on Tuesday evening, losing their third round tie against Liverpool 5-0, at Anfield.

The Town youngsters were 2-0 down at half-time, with Liverpool, who included several

South East Counties League										
Div Two (up to and including 6.1.96)										
	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pt			
C Palace	15	12	2	1	47	12	26			
LUTON T	16	9	2	5	33	21	20			
Brighton	16	9	2	5	24	19	20			
Tottenham	17	7	5	5	35	31	19			
Barnet	18	6	7	5	26	22	19			
Bourn'mouth	17	8	3	6	30	32	19			
Wycombe	18	8	3	7	26	30	19			
Wimbledon	15	8	1	6	31	21	17			
Oxford	15	7	2	6	25	24	16			
Bristol City	18	5	6	7	27	30	16			
Brentford	17	6	3	8	21	29	15			
Southampton	16	6	2	8	23	19	14			
Bristol R	17	5	4	8	21	22	14			
Reading	18	5	3	10	21	50	13			
Swindon	16	4	4	8	17	27	12			
Colchester	17	2	3	12	17	35	7			

youth internationals in their line-up, adding three further goals after the break.

Youth Team League & Cup Appearances and Goalscorers

	Lge apps	Lge goals	Cup apps	Cup goals	
Abbey	8		6		
Turner	11 (1)	1	6 (2)		
Sharpe	14		9		
Sweeney	10 (3)		6 (1)	1	Statistics up to and including Saturday, January 6.
Jones	9 (1)		1 (3)		
Willmott	13 (2)	3	7	2	
Augustine	12 (2)	5	5 (2)	2	
Evers	10 (1)	1	8		Also played
Douglas	10 (2)	4	5 (2)	6	
Barr	8 (4)	8	2 (2)	6	
Kean	13 (1)		6 (3)	1	Lawes - 1 league app + 1 cup app
Lawrence	(2)		1		Ryan - 1 league app
Fotiadis	10 (3)	6	8	5	Cox - 1 league app + 1 sub
Webb	8		3		Provencal - 1 league sub
Upson	12 (1)		5 (1)		
Smith	9 (5)	3	7 (1)	3	
George	7 (3)	1	3 (2)	9	
Thomas	8 (2)		4 (3)		
Doherty			3	1	
Spring	1 (2)		3		

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"WAYNE Turner has done the reserve team here for four years, bits and pieces elsewhere, and I feel he has done his apprenticeship.

"He is ready for a move up to work with the first team and with the senior players. The option still remains for me to bring someone in, but what I would like to do is work with the existing staff.

"Trevor Peake moves into a coaching role, and as far as he is concerned his playing career could probably be counted in months rather than years.

"But that's not to say he won't be picked for the first team, and Wayne will still be heavily involved in that while Trevor finds his feet.

"Trevor has a great reputation and has the respect of everyone in the dressing room.

"I signed him from non-league at Lincoln many years ago. I was Reserve and Youth team coach there and went to watch him play for the England non-league side, and didn't fancy him actually which shows how wrong you can be, and he has been a marvellous professional.

"He's on the first rung of the coaching ladder, but I repeat you can be a player who does a bit of coaching, or you can be a coach who does a bit of playing. He is the second, but if he's in the first team, he's in the first team." **LENNIE LAWRENCE speaking about the changes in the coaching staff, which saw Wayne Turner appointed First Team Coach, and Trevor Peake as Player Coach/ Reserves.**

"THE uncertainty was a bit frustrating, but I have to say I'm not altogether sorry that we lost those three games, from a purely selfish point of view.

"We could have played four games there, staggered from game to game, not really knowing

the players, learning as I went along, maybe successfully, but maybe not, and at least now we have more time to get people fit and get a reserve game under their belts.

"It's been frustrating for the fans and disappointing that we missed the game on New Years Day, and we could have got six or nine points, but I have to say that I'm not the sorriest person in the world." **LENNIE LAWRENCE on the aftermath of the Christmas and New Year postponements.**

"IT should be a lovely experience for the lads being able to play at such a famous place, something to highlight in years to come for them.

"I never played on the ground myself but I drew one there and lost one there as a manager. When we knocked Liverpool out of the cup in 86/87 we actually drew at Anfield after extra-time and that was a wonderful result.

"This time the young lads must first of all conquer the fear of actually being at Anfield playing Liverpool." **Youth coach JOHN MOORE looking forward to the FA Youth Cup tie.**



SAFETY NOTE

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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.

LOST PROPERTY - Following the last home game against Huddersfield, a gentleman's Precieuse Montre quartz watch was found in the enclosure. Contact Safety Manager Geoff Lovell on (01582) 411622.

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Pre-War battles with the Shrimpers



by ROGER WASH

5 YEARS AGO

12/1/91: In an amazing game, the Town went down 4-3 at home to Southampton. Lars Elstrup, Julian James and John Dreyer were on target in front of a crowd of 9,021.

10 YEARS AGO

11/1/86: A debut for new signing from Wigan, Mike Newell, was the only thing to report from a dismal 1-0 defeat at Chelsea. Despite this setback we still remained in 8th position in Division One.

15 YEARS AGO

10/1/81: After a run of four straight wins we were held to a 2-2 draw by Cardiff at Kenilworth Road in the mud. David Moss and Paul Price were the Luton goalscorers.

20 YEARS AGO

17/1/76: It was now seven wins in a row, as a poor Portsmouth side, who were to be relegated at the end of the season, were seen off 3-1 at Kenilworth Road. Goals from John Faulkner, Andy King and Ron Futchner saw us move up to 8th position in Division Two.



LEFT: Joe Payne made his debut for the Town against the Shrimpers.

ALTHOUGH clashes with the Shrimpers have not been a regular part of our fixture list since the War, apart from the period since our relegation from the old Division One in 1992, Southend United are one of our oldest adversaries with meetings going back to our days in the Southern League before World War One.

Our first games in the Football League came in 1920/21, following the formation of Division Three South, and on February 12, 1921, Ernie Simms scored the Luton goal in a 1-1 draw at Southend, in front of a crowd of 6,000, to set off a sequence of 17 straight seasons during which the sides would battle for league points.

The same player was on the scoresheet in the return, netting twice in a 4-0 victory with Louis Bookman also bagging two.

The Town achieved the 'double' in the following season and again in 1922/23 where Ralph Hoten made his Luton debut in the home fixture, following his transfer from Portsmouth in exchange for Tom Parker, while George Lennon made his farewell appearance in the return game the following week.

At this particular time the Town included in their line-up a 5'6", 10 stone forward by the name of George Butcher, who had come to Kenilworth Road after 10 seasons at West Ham.

St Albans-born Butcher however, had also been

a featherweight boxing champion! Let 'Crusader' of the Luton News take up the story:

"One of Southend's big defenders, when the referee's back was turned, invited the St Albans featherweight to stand up to him for a minute. George remained on his feet while the Southend player rolled on his back almost before the invitation was completed.

"There was some sort of trouble afterwards behind the scenes, and there is at least one director of Luton Town who will confess that he had to block the way to the Southend dressing room in order to prevent George from accepting further invitations.

"Then, when it was suggested that George had better not play at Southend the following week, (matches were played home and away on consecutive Saturdays then), George declared that if he were not picked he would pay his own fare to Southend.

"George did play at Southend but his particular opponent didn't. I believe he was under the dentist during the week."

Southend finally won their first game against the Town with a 2-1 victory at the Kursaal in 1924/25 but we gained full revenge with a 4-0 win at Kenilworth Road, Sid Reid hitting a hat-trick.

Over the next two seasons, games against the Shrimpers saw two Luton players make their one and only first team appearance for the Town. In 1925/26 Foster Robinson scored in the 2-0 home

win, while in 1926/27 Robert Moir played in the 2-1 defeat at Southend.

One of the most amazing results during matches between the sides took place in 1928/29 when the Town went down 5-0 at the Kursaal, despite pressing throughout the game.

At regular intervals, Southend broke away and scored, with the defence of Abbott, Kingham and Graham helpless against the raids of the home side, and there were sweeping changes for the next match.

Goalkeeper Henry Abbott, who incidentally made his Luton debut against Southend the previous season, never played for the Town again, nor did winger George Dennis who had held a 100 per cent record with penalties during his career at Kenilworth Road.

In the next season the Athletic News reported that Southend used the "long passing game" in their 3-0 win at Kenilworth Road while in the return, which was drawn 1-1, "Luton were much the heavier side and four Southend players went off at different times with injuries!"

By 1934 the Town were beginning to build a squad that would eventually lead the club to promotion, and one of the stars of the time, George Stephenson, made his Luton debut against Southend in the opening fixture of 1934/35.

The return saw the debut of another player who was to make a name for himself, with Joe Payne starting his Luton career wearing a number six shirt!

That particular game saw Luton's Tom Mackey sent off - a rare occurrence at the time - for fiercely arguing with the referee after he had awarded Southend a second penalty, which had put them 3-0 up. The 10 men, feeling hard done by, rolled up their sleeves and managed to fight back to draw 3-3!

Jock Finlayson, another pre-War stalwart made his Luton debut against Southend in 1935/36 in a 2-1 home defeat which also saw debuts for Bill Fellowes and Harold Andrews.

Andrews, unfortunately, was another who made but a solitary appearance for the Town.

Our final pre-War meetings took place in our promotion season of 1936/37, and on the opening day Southend were our visitors, and a crowd of 14,353 saw Joe Payne, now at centre-forward, score the only goal of the game.

The return, on Boxing Day, saw a crushing 3-0 defeat, but in mitigation it must be pointed out that the Town had been involved in a tough and bruising home clash with fellow promotion contenders Notts County on Christmas Day, and were still licking their wounds.

OLDFIELD'S EQUALISER EARNS HATTERS A POINT



ABOVE: David Oldfield's header levels the score at 2-2

RIGHT: Dwight Marshall is sent tumbling by the Huddersfield defence

BELOW: Bontcho Guentchev's second-half shot went over the bar

Pictures by ANDY HANDLEY



LUTON TOWN 2
(Marshall, Oldfield)

HUDDERSFIELD
TOWN 2
(Booth, Makel)

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ABOVE: Scott Oakes challenges for the ball

ABOVE: Dwight Marshall beats Steve Francis to the ball to put the Hatters in front

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Wembley dream can come true for kids

SCHOOLCHILDREN around the country were given an unexpected Christmas present this year, when the Football League announced a football competition for secondary school teams with the chance of playing at Wembley Stadium in the final as the latest initiative in support of their 'School Year' project.

For the last two seasons, the Football League has organised the Endsleigh Supporters' Challenge - a competition for clubs' supporters to give them the opportunity to play under the famous twin towers.

This being 'School Year' however, and the Football League having recently submitted a report to the Minister for Sport on ways of encouraging closer links between clubs and schools, it is appropriate for this season's competition to feature schools' teams.

The competition, which will run from January to May, will be on a six-a-side format with secondary school teams in the under-13 age group playing-off locally for the right to represent their local Football League club. There will then be separate competitions for the three divisions of the Endsleigh Insurance League which will culminate in the Divisional Finals of the competition being played prior to the corresponding Play-Off Final at Wembley Stadium on May 25, 26 and 27, 1996.

Football League Secretary, David Dent, commented: "It must be every schoolboy's dream to actually play at Wembley Stadium and I am delighted that together with our colleagues from the English Schools' Football Association and the Community Programme in Professional Football we are able to make this possible for youngsters who follow and participate in the national game."

IN response to the Football League and Sky Television's recent ground-breaking £125 million five-year deal, the two bodies have acted swiftly and held a special seminar for all 72 clubs and satellite company chiefs to get together.

The special briefing, at the Hilton Hotel in London, was attended by Chief Executives, Secretaries and Commercial Managers from the Endsleigh League.

The seminar was designed to enable Sky Television's marketing and research experts the opportunity to brief clubs on the true reach of the Sky Sports channel - analysis which is vital as some clubs are in the midst of re-negotiating sponsorship and advertising deals.

Lee Walker, the Football League's Controller of Broadcasting, who set the negotiations in motion for the deal, commented: "Sky have already indicated in their negotiations with me their desire to forge close links with our clubs to maximise promotional avenues and I believe this early initiative will prove extremely helpful."

Programme Editor SIMON OXLEY recalls some personal Hatters highlights from 1995



THE review of 1994 contained such highlights as the Wembley FA Cup semi-final, and while 1995 didn't reach those heights there are still some memorable moments to review.

The first category is MATCH OF THE YEAR, and the recent games against Tranmere and Huddersfield here at Kenilworth Road take some beating. Against Tranmere, the Town twice came from behind to win 3-2, and last week drew 2-2 despite being reduced to 10 men.

The trip to Middlesbrough in April saw the Town lose 2-1, with Kelvin Davis saving a penalty, and both sides playing some good football, although it was the occasion of it being the last ever match at Ayresome Park which made the game a particular highlight. It was an emotional day for the home supporters with a parade of former players preceding the kick-off, and the travelling fans were made very welcome and played their part in the proceedings.

Other matches which stand out are the 1-1 cup draw with Southampton, and the 1-1 televised draw with Watford, but my vote in this category goes to the 3-3 draw against Wolves in April. The Hatters were 2-0 in front after just 11 minutes, with Paul Telfer scoring twice; Wolves pulled one back just after half-time; John Taylor (pictured below) restored the two-goal advantage; with David Kelly and Neil Emblen, the latter four minutes into injury time, earning Wolves a point.

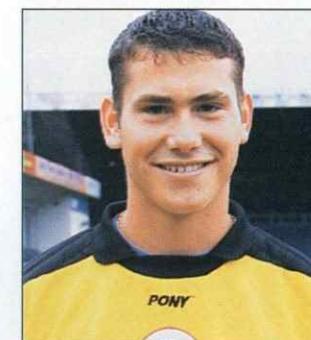
That recent win over Tranmere comes into the PERFORMANCE OF THE YEAR category, along with the hard-fought FA Cup replay win at Bristol Rovers, and a battling 0-0 draw at high-flying Bolton.

Twice this season the Town have been reduced to 10 men and come away with something, with a 1-0 win at Southend and last Saturday's draw with Huddersfield, while the 5-0 win over Ancona, albeit in a somewhat meaningless game,

featuring some excellent football.

But the vote goes to the 2-0 home win against then Division One leaders Tranmere in March, when goals from Julian James and Wayne Biggins secured victory. It could have been many more, and the visitors didn't manage a shot on target until the 90th minute.

For BEST PERFORMANCE AGAINST, it is worth considering Middlesbrough's display in the emotion of that day at Ayresome Park, and Norwich's 3-1 win here on the opening day of this season. Genoa gave a masterful performance against the Hatters in October, winning 4-0, but the vote goes to



Southampton, or should I say Matthew Le Tissier, for the 6-0 FA Cup replay win in February. Le Tiss did 'the biz' scoring two and generally winning the game single-handedly, and he was only on for 60 minutes!

For BEST GOAL AGAINST, Toddy Orlygsson's goal for

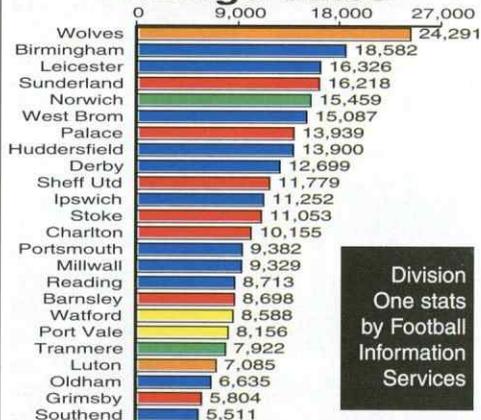
Stoke on the final day of last season stands out, and Grimsby produced some fine finishing in their 5-0 win at Blundell Park in February.

But for Kelvin Davis's (pictured above) save in the final minute in Genoa, Tomas Skuhravy's volley would be a clear winner, but the vote goes to Southampton, again, and Neil Heaney's goal, courtesy of a glorious pass from that chap from Guernsey.

Now to BEST GOAL FOR. What about Kerry Dixon's long range 'Nayim-style' goal at Barnsley in January, or Julian James' volley to put the Hatters 2-1 in front at Portsmouth. Four days later, Scott Oakes cracked in a spectacular opener at Bristol City, while more recently Tony Thorpe's run created a goal for Dwight Marshall against Wolves.

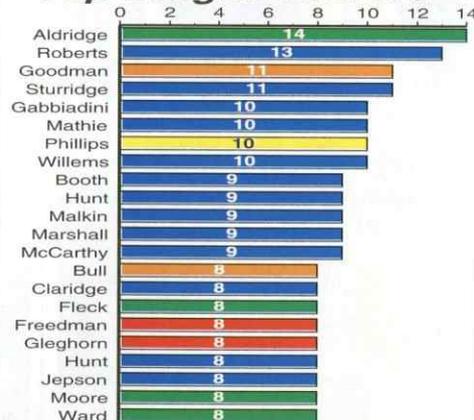
Stuart Douglas bagged a goal on his debut, at the age of just 17, but my vote goes to Richard Harvey for his first-half strike against Stoke in the final match of last season.

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Finally, a reminder that our home game against Sheffield United has now been rearranged for Wednesday, January 31, kick-off 7.45pm.



LEFT: Mrs Sue Miller, on behalf of the Bobbers Travel Club, was one of our match sponsors against Huddersfield, and is pictured with David Oldfield, John Taylor, Mitchell Thomas, Marvin Johnson and Dwight Marshall.



RIGHT: Dwight Marshall scored one and made the other, and was voted man-of-the-match against Huddersfield.

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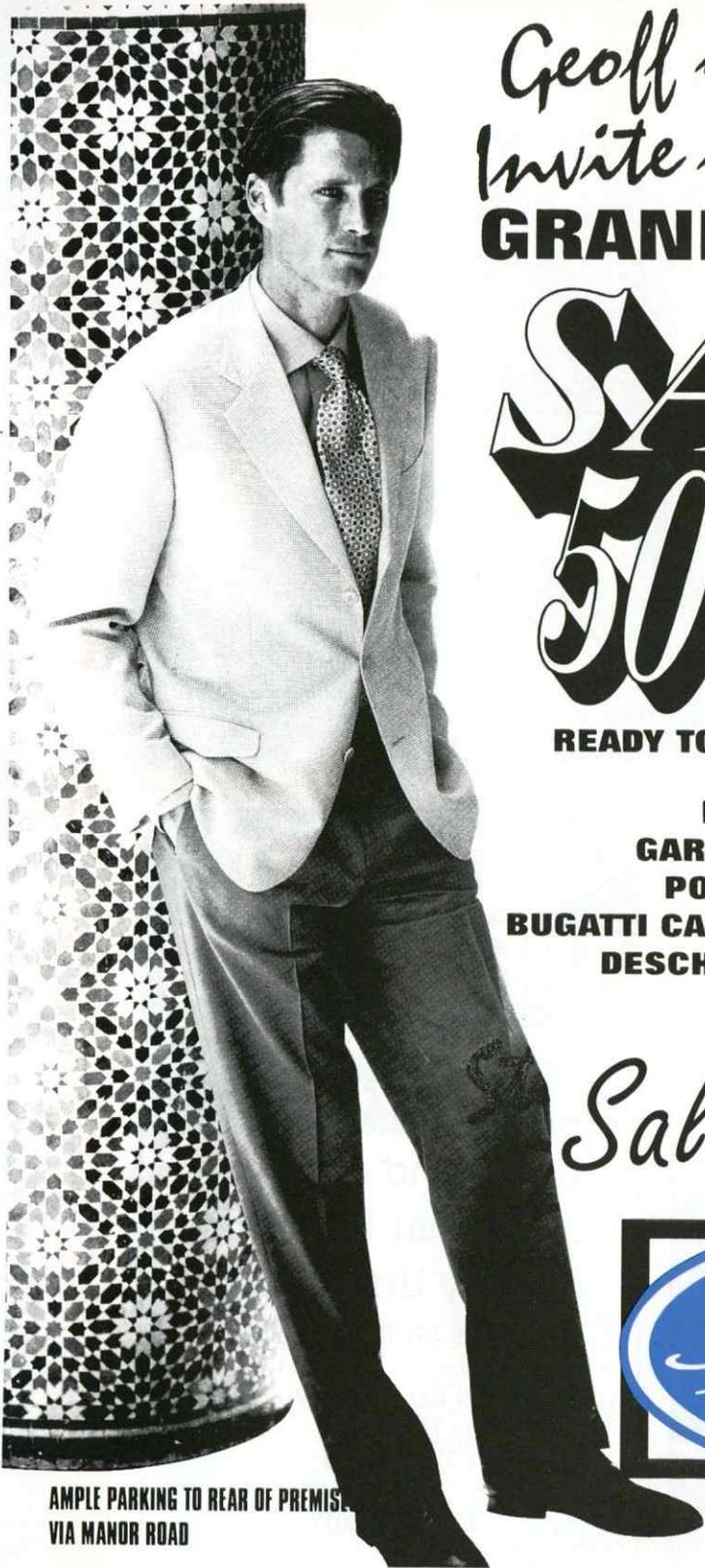
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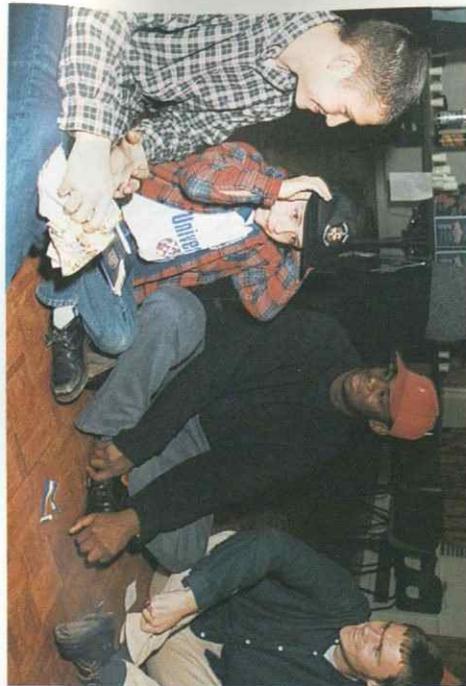
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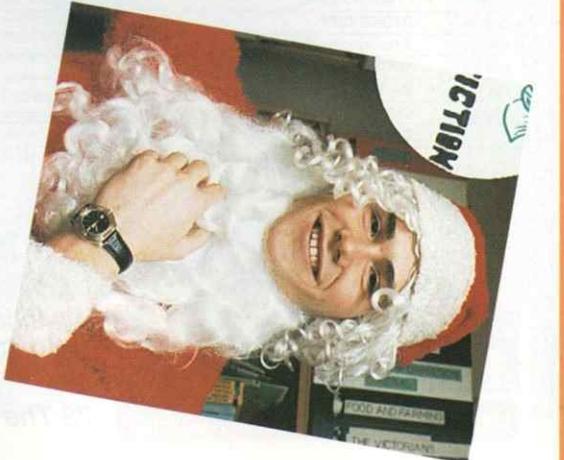
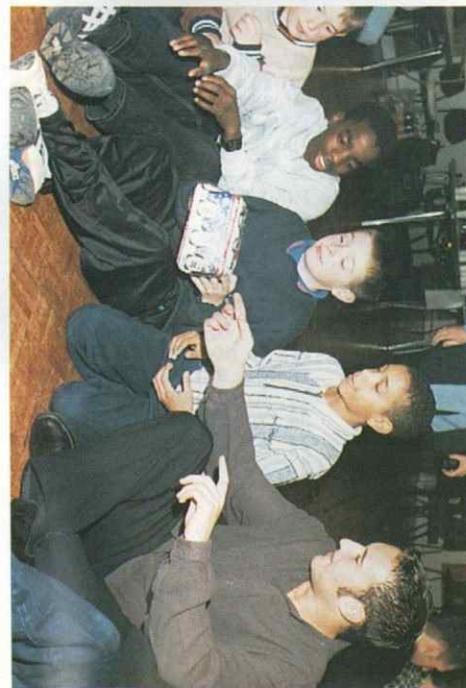


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 Alexander, and (RIGHT)
 with Scott Oakes
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Junior Hatters Christmas Party

TEAM STATISTICS 1995-96

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	1-2	6,427	17	K.Davis	James	M.Johnson	S.Davis	(Alexander)	(Oldfield)	MARSHALL	(Guentchev)	Taylor	G.Johnson	Harvey	(Woodsford)	(Thorpe)	(Peake)
Tue Sep 5	PERUGIA AIC	1-4	2,352	-	K.Davis	James	Skelton	S.Davis	Evers	(Thorpe)	Linton	(GUENTCHEV)	(Oldfield)	Hughes	Harvey	(Marshall)	(Waddock)	(W'ford)
Sat Sep 9	Reading	1-3	8,550	20	K.Davis	James	M.Johnson	S.Davis	Waddock	Alexander	(Linton)	MARSHALL	Oldfield	G.Johnson	Harvey	Evers	Peake	(Gu'chev)
Wed Sep 13	Millwall	0-1	7,076	22	Feuer	Peake	(M.Johnson)	S.Davis	Waddock	Vilstrup	Linton	Marshall	Oldfield	Guentchev	Harvey	G.Johnson	Evers	(James)
Sat Sep 16	SUNDERLAND	0-2	6,955	23	Feuer	Peake	James	S.Davis	(Waddock)	Vilstrup	(Linton)	Marshall	Oldfield	Hughes	Harvey	Greene	(Taylor)	(Gu'chev)
Sat Sep 23	Wolverhampton Wanderers	0-0	23,659	24	Feuer	Peake	M.Johnson	S.Davis	Hughes	(Vilstrup)	Alexander	Marshall	(Taylor)	Guentchev	Harvey	(Waddock)	James	(Oldfield)
Sat Sep 30	PORTSMOUTH	3-1	7,795	23	Feuer	Peake	M.Johnson	S.DAVIS	Hughes	(Vilstrup)	(Alexander)	MARSHALL	Taylor	GUENTCHEV	Harvey	(Waddock)	(James)	Oldfield
Sat Oct 7	Tranmere Rovers	0-1	6,680	24	Feuer	Peake	M.Johnson	S.Davis	Waddock	McLaren	Alexander	Marshall	Oakes	(Guentchev)	Harvey	(Oldfield)	James	G.John's'n
Wed Oct 11	Genoa AIC	0-4	3,759	-	K.Davis	(James)	M.Johnson	S.Davis	McLaren	Vilstrup	Linton	Oakes	(Oldfield)	(Guentchev)	Harvey	(Thorpe)	(Alexander)	(W'ford)
Sat Oct 14	WEST BROMWICH ALBION	1-2	8,042	24	Feuer	(Peake)	M.Johnson	S.Davis	Waddock	Hughes	Alexander	Marshall	Oldfield	Woodsford	HARVEY	Guentchev	(James)	McLaren
Sun Oct 22	Ipswich Town	1-0	9,123	21	Feuer	Peake	M.Johnson	S.Davis	Hughes	(Vilstrup)	Alexander	(Oakes)	OLDFIELD	(Marshall)	Harvey	(Waddock)	(G.Johnson)	(Gu'chev)
Sun Oct 29	CHARLTON ATHLETIC	0-1	6,270	22	Feuer	Peake	M.Johnson	S.Davis	(Hughes)	(Waddock)	(Alexander)	Oakes	Oldfield	Marshall	Harvey	(Linton)	(Riseth)	(Gu'chev)
Sat Nov 4	Stoke City	0-5	9,382	24	Feuer	Peake	G.Johnson	S.Davis	Hughes	(Vilstrup)	Alexander	Oakes	Riseth	Marshall	Harvey	(Oldfield)	James	McLaren
Wed Nov 8	Cesena AIC	1-2	461	-	K.Davis	(Patterson)	Upton	S.Davis	McLaren	Vilstrup	Alexander	(Oakes)	Riseth	MARSHALL	Harvey	Chenery	(Douglas)	(Simpson)
Sat Nov 11	OLDHAM ATHLETIC	1-1	6,047	23	Feuer	Peake	M.Johnson	S.Davis	Hughes	(McLaren)	Alexander	(Oakes)	Riseth	DOUGLAS	Harvey	(Patterson)	James	(Oldfield)
Sat Nov 18	BIRMINGHAM CITY	0-0	7,920	23	Feuer	Peake	M.Johnson	James	Hughes	(McLaren)	Alexander	Oakes	Riseth	(Marshall)	Harvey	(Douglas)	(Thorpe)	Oldfield
Tue Nov 21	Watford	1-1	10,042	23	Feuer	Peake	M.Johnson	(S.DAVIS)	Hughes	McLaren	(James)	Oakes	Riseth	(Marshall)	Harvey	(Douglas)	(Thorpe)	(Patterson)
Sat Nov 25	Barnsley	0-1	6,437	23	Feuer	Peake	M.Johnson	Patterson	Hughes	(McLaren)	James	Oakes	(Riseth)	(Marshall)	Harvey	(Douglas)	(Thorpe)	(Alexander)
Sat Dec 2	TRANMERE ROVERS	3-2	6,025	23	Feuer	Alexander	M.Johnson	Waddock	Hughes	McLAREN	James	Oakes	Thorpe	MARSHALL 2	Harvey	Guentchev	Riseth	Chenery
Sun Dec 10	WOLVERHAMPTON W	2-3	6,997	24	K.Davis	Patterson	M.Johnson	Waddock	(Hughes)	(McLaren)	S.Davis	OAKES	Thorpe	MARSHALL	Harvey	(Guentchev)	(Taylor)	Alex' der
Wed Dec 13	ANCONA AIC	5-0	2,091	-	K.Davis	Patterson	M.Johnson	S.Davis	Waddock	(McLaren)	(Linton)	OAKES	TAYLOR	MARSHALL	(Harvey)	(THORPE)	(GUENTCHEV)	(Thomas)
Sat Dec 16	Portsmouth	0-4	7,012	24	Feuer	Patterson	M.Johnson	S.Davis	Waddock	McLaren	(Alexander)	Oakes	Taylor	Marshall	(Harvey)	(Thorpe)	K.Davis	(Thomas)
Sat Dec 23	HUDDERSFIELD TOWN	2-2	7,076	24	Feuer	Patterson	Thomas	Waddock	S.Davis	M.Johnson	(McLaren)	Oakes	(Taylor)	MARSHALL	(Thorpe)	(OLDFIELD)	(Guentchev)	(Harvey)
Sat Jan 6	Grimsby Town FA3	1-7	5,387	-	Feuer	Patterson	Thomas	Waddock	James	M.Johnson	(Guentchev)	Oakes	Oldfield	(McLaren)	MARSHALL	Harvey	(Thorpe)	(Alexander)

ENDSLEIGH LEAGUE DIVISION ONE

Date	Opponents	P	W	D	L	F	A	PTS	
Sat Jan 13	SOUTHEND UNITED								
Sat Jan 20	Norwich City								
Sat Jan 27	Crystal Palace or Port Vale								
Wed Jan 31	SHEFFIELD UNITED								
Sat Feb 3	Leicester City	Derby County	25	13	7	5	41	29	46
Sat Feb 10	GRIMSBY TOWN	Charlton Athletic	24	10	9	5	31	24	39
Sat Feb 17	MILLWALL	Leicester City	24	10	8	6	40	35	38
Wed Feb 21	Derby County	Huddersfield T	26	10	8	8	36	32	38
Sat Feb 24	Sunderland	Birmingham City	24	10	8	6	34	30	38
Tue Feb 27	READING	Sunderland	22	10	8	4	30	19	38
Sat Mar 2	CRYSTAL PALACE	Southend Utd	25	10	8	7	28	28	38
Sat Mar 9	Huddersfield Town	Grimsby Town	24	9	10	5	30	27	37
Sat Mar 16	PORT VALE	Stoke City	25	9	9	7	36	32	36
Sat Mar 23	Sheffield United	Millwall	25	9	9	7	26	30	36
Sat Mar 30	IPSWICH TOWN	Norwich City	26	9	8	9	38	33	35
Tue Apr 2	West Bromwich Albion	Ipswich Town	24	8	9	7	44	36	33
Sat Apr 6	Charlton Athletic	Tranmere Rovers	23	9	6	8	34	26	33
Tue Apr 9	STOKE CITY	Barnsley	25	8	9	8	33	41	33
Sat Apr 13	Birmingham City	Crystal Palace	23	8	8	7	30	31	32
Sat Apr 20	WATFORD	Oldham Athletic	24	7	10	7	34	28	31
Sat Apr 27	BARNSELY	Portsmouth	26	7	8	11	40	43	29
Sat May 4	Oldham Athletic	Reading	24	6	10	8	31	33	28
TBA	Crystal Palace or Port Vale	Port Vale	25	6	8	11	30	38	26
		Wolves	24	5	9	10	30	36	24
		West Brom	24	7	3	14	28	41	24
		Watford	23	5	9	9	27	30	24
		Sheffield United	24	5	6	13	31	43	21
		LUTON TOWN	23	4	7	12	19	36	19

Table up to and including Sunday, Jan 7, 1996.

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	5		4		Rob MATTHEWS			(1)	
Mitchell THOMAS	2 (2)		2 (2)		Des LINTON	5 (1)		3	
Marvin JOHNSON	21		5	1	Gavin JOHNSON	5 (1)			
Gary WADDOCK	11 (4)		3 (1)		Jamie WOODSFORD	1 (2)		(2)	
Ceri HUGHES	16	1	2		Aaron SKELTON			1	
Trevor PEAKE	14 (3)				Sean EVERS			1	
Graham ALEXANDER	16 (1)		3 (2)		Ian FEUER	16		1	
David OLDFIELD	11 (5)	2	5		Johnny VILSTRUP	6		2	
Tony THORPE	4 (7)	1	2 (4)	1	Paul McLAREN	9	1	4	
Bontcho GUENTCHEV	8 (7)	2	5 (1)	2	Scott OAKES	12	1	4	1
Richard HARVEY	22 (1)	1	6		Vidar RISETH	5 (1)		1	
John TAYLOR	7 (4)		3	1	Darren PATTERSON	4 (2)		3	
Juergen SOMMER	2		2		Matthew UPSON			1	
Steve DAVIS	19	2	6		Stuart DOUGLAS	2 (2)	1	(1)	
Dwight MARSHALL	21	7	5 (1)	4	Gary SIMPSON			(1)	
Julian JAMES	10 (3)		4						



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TODAY'S OFFICIALS

Today's referee is

**ALAN WILEY, from
Staffordshire.**

Mr Wiley, a police officer, is married with two children. He started refereeing in 1981 in the Walsall Minor League, and joined the Football League list in 1992.



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OTHER DIVISION ONE MATCHES TODAY

Crystal Palace v Ipswich Town

Derby County v Reading

Millwall v Port Vale

Oldham Athletic v Barnsley

Portsmouth v Grimsby Town

Stoke City v Leicester City

Tranmere Rovers v Sheffield Utd

Watford v Huddersfield Town

West Brom v Wolves

Birmingham C v Charlton Ath (Sun)

Sunderland v Norwich City (Sun)

TEAM CHECK

LUTON TOWN

Manager: Lennie Lawrence

Ian FEUER 1
Darren PATTERSON 2
Mitchell THOMAS 3
Gary WADDOCK 4
Julian JAMES 5
Marvin JOHNSON 6
Bontcho GUENTCHEV 7
Scott OAKES 8
David OLDFIELD 9
Paul McLAREN 10
Dwight MARSHALL 11
12
13
14

SOUTHEND UNITED

Manager: Ronnie Whelan

Simon ROYCE
Keith DUBLIN
Chris POWELL
Mark McNALLY
Mick BODLEY
Phil GRIDELET
Mike MARSH
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