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## CANARY VIEW

**IF THE ENGLAND MANAGER'S JOB IS BECOMING AN INCREASINGLY POISONED CHALICE, THE FOOTBALL ASSOCIATION MIGHT BE REFLECTING WHY.**

Their apparent failure to fully support Terry Venables was clearly a factor in his decision to resign as England Manager after this summer's European Championship Finals. Whatever the mysteries of his admittedly rather complicated business arrangements, there was only one question the FA should have been addressing Venables at this time: Was he the best man to lead England into the biggest sporting occasion in this country for 30 years and the World Cup qualifiers to follow? The answer was surely a resounding 'yes'. We may lack the quality of the Dutch and Italians but Venables does at least offer the invention and inspiration to give us a chance.

Having been groomed as his successor, Bryan Robson looks to be the obvious candidate to take over with the minimum disruption. The FA has stated the need for continuity and that policy points to Robson. The job should be the best and most sought after in English football but he may well care to reflect on how it affected his predecessors. Virtually overnight, it turned his namesake Bobby prematurely grey. A pleasant man, Graham Taylor was transformed into a paranoic whinger. And some sections of the media have been intent on vilifying Venables. No wonder some of the nation's leading candidates have been distancing themselves from the job. Bryan Robson is in a position where he can hardly say no, but the problems encountered by the most recent recruits at Lancaster Gate should make him think long and hard.

The ill-fated Intertoto Cup has attracted rather more publicity than it deserved. This was the competition that might have provided Tottenham or Wimbledon with a UEFA Cup place, but in the end brought them only a ban from Europe. UEFA imposed the sanction after both treated the tournament for what is really was .... an end of season kick-about. It was an absurdity asking players to take part in a meaningless event when they should have been relaxing at the end of a long season. You can hardly blame the clubs who were clearly led to believe that it was entirely in order to play under-strength sides. Hopefully the FA will do all in its powers to ensure the ban is quashed.

Front Cover Picture: Robert Fleck - celebrates his equaliser against Birmingham City recently.

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# Team Talk with Gary Megson



Gary Megson

*I know Lennie Lawrence very well, he was on the coaching staff at Plymouth Argyle when I was a youngster setting out on my football career at the age of sixteen or seventeen. He has moved around a bit since then and enjoyed a terrific managerial career at various clubs, and I'm sure that if anyone can guide Luton away from their current lowly position, it is Lennie.*

I've seen Luton play a couple of times this season, they play some nice football and have some good players, but their last couple of results seem to highlight their main problem, inconsistency. They were tanked 7-1 in the FA Cup at Grimsby a fortnight ago but last week they bounced back to beat Southend 3-1. We will treat them with the utmost respect this afternoon, but we will be concentrating on our own game rather than that of Luton.

I believe we performed well against Birmingham in our last home game. We moved the ball around well and created several clear chances because of that. The only negative thing from my point of view was that we allowed Birmingham too many chances of their own. However Bryan Gunn once again underlined the fact that he is one of the best goalkeepers in the country with his 'Man of the Match' display.

We should have done better with the chances we created and if we had, we would either have won the game or their goalkeeper would have been 'Man of the Match' instead!

Our performance at Sunderland was exactly what I'm looking for. We defended well, displayed the right amount of passion for the game, 'put our foot in' when necessary and also passed the ball well to create goalscoring chances. Obviously I would like to have seen us win by a greater margin, but it was a terrific result and an excellent team display containing several outstanding individual performances.

In general we have done well in our last two games, setting about our task in absolutely the right manner. We now need to carry this on into this afternoon's match and beyond. If we approach any game in any less determined a way we will be skating on very thin ice. I for one, will be happy if we can reproduce last Sunday's form this afternoon although I will be happier still if we can convert more of the chances we are creating.

It is a very dangerous thing in life, and in football, to count on anything and we need to be sure our attitude is right for today's game. I also saw that the Birmingham Chairman said that he was delighted that the Coca-Cola Cup Semi-Final draw has paired the winners of our replay with Leeds United, because he felt his team had a 1 in 3 chance of reaching the Final. If we today, or Birmingham next Wednesday, are counting our chickens already, we could be in for a rude awakening. Let's hope Birmingham are!

There is plenty of speculation concerning the England Manager's job at the moment. In my opinion the gloss has been taken off the post which should be regarded as the pinnacle of anyone's managerial career, by the intense media pressure that goes with the job.

Each team, and individual selection comes under unbelievable scrutiny and each result brings with it a selection of 'total disaster' or 'we're world beaters'

headlines the next day. There is never a considered reaction, it is always one or the other.

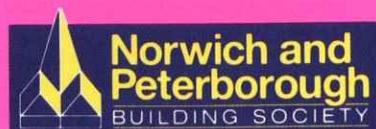
People don't appear to be queueing up for the job and all the candidates mentioned have their own qualities. Howard Wilkinson and Howard Kendall, with their wider managerial experience might be better choices than the 'younger' options, but I still think the best man for the job is Terry Venables. We shall see what happens.

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Kick Off 3.00 pm

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## On for his Hat-Trick?

Not for the first time this season lightning has struck twice in the same place with regards to the CanaryCash draw. Roy Bird of Norwich was the lucky winner of £431 against Tranmere on the 29th October 1995. He followed that up by winning £251 in the CanaryCash draw at the recent Coca-Cola Cup Quarter-Final with Birmingham.

Suzanne Payne of Bury St Edmunds won a Panasonic Personal Stereo with Radio and the Radio Canary Cap went home with David King of Stowmarket. The winning numbers were 1154, 1519 and 1201 respectively.

Look out for the CanaryCash sellers on your way into the ground and you could earn a handsome return on your £1.00 investment. Good Luck!

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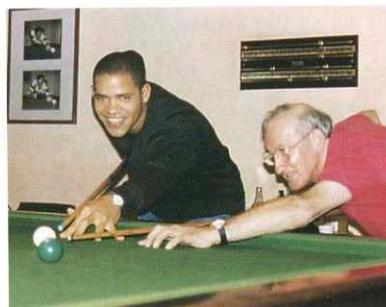
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## Matthew's on Cue

Just before Christmas Matthew Rush went along to the Norwich Sport Village to lend his support to a snooker marathon, organised by Frank Browne MBE, in aid of the Thorpe Hamlet Centre. The marathon raised around £800 for the Centre's funds. Matthew is pictured here with Frank at the start of the event.



## Ticket Arrangements for Birmingham

We have been advised by Birmingham City of a change in ticket arrangements for Wednesday's Coca-Cola Cup Quarter-Final at St Andrews.

It was originally intended that Norwich supporters would be accommodated in the Main Stand. However, Birmingham have now decided that Canary fans will be in the Railway End Stand and tickets for this area are currently on sale at the Carrow Road Box Office.

Those supporters who have already purchased tickets for the Main Stand are advised to change them at the Norwich City Box Office. If this proves difficult, Birmingham will redirect City fans holding Main Stand tickets to the Railway End Stand on the night.

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## Matchball Sponsors

Mark Parsons (left), Andrew Martin (second left) and Duncan Watson (second right) of DHL Cambridge, our matchball sponsors against Birmingham City recently, are pictured here after receiving a presentation from Norwich City Chairman Robert Chase.

## Mark's Release

Norwich City full-back Mark Bowen has been cleared by the Welsh Football Association to play in next week's Coca-Cola Cup Quarter-Final replay at Birmingham City.

Mark had been included in the Wales squad for the friendly international against Italy on Wednesday, January 24th . . . the same day as the Canaries go to St Andrews. However, the Welsh Manager Bobby Gould has agreed to release the player for City's cup tie.

We are grateful for Bobby Gould's co-operation and hopefully Mark will play a full part in helping the Canaries through to the Coca-Cola Cup Semi-Finals, and then learn of an excellent Welsh display in Italy. An ideal double.



Mark Bowen

## Semi-Final Draw

The draw for the Semi-Finals of the Coca-Cola Cup is as follows:

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## Jamie's a Hat-trick Hero

Jamie Cureton hit a superb hat-trick as Dave Stringer's City 'A'-Team swung back into action with a vengeance after a series of post-ponements, winning 5-0 at Hoddesdon Town in last Saturday's Essex & Herts Border Combination game.



Jamie Cureton

Recent Match Details:

**SAT 14TH JAN**  
Versus **HODDESDON TOWN (away)** **Won 5-0**

Team: Bray, Wright, Kreft, Mitchell, Mills, Carus, Gibb Llewellyn (Sub. Kenton), Cureton, Harrington, Simpson. Subs: Baines, Stokeld (both unused).

**SAT 17TH JAN**  
Versus **HARLOW TOWN (home)** **Won 3-1**

Team: Bray, Baines (Etunmu), Lewis, Mitchell, Davis Carus, Forbes, Coote (Davies), Roach (Stokeld), Russell Llewellyn.

Scorers: Coote 2, Roach.

Forthcoming Fixtures:

Sat 21st Jan.	Versus <b>HERTFORD TOWN</b>	A 3.00pm
Wed 24th Jan.	Versus <b>LEYTON PENNANT</b>	H 3.00pm
Sat 28th Jan.	Versus <b>BISHOP'S STORTFORD</b>	A 3.00pm
Wed 31st Jan.	Versus <b>HEMEL HEMPSTEAD</b>	H 3.00pm

City's 'B' Youth team has a game against Lowestoft Town (away) this Wednesday (k.o. 7.30pm) in the Anglia Trade Fenland Floodlit League.

## Darren for England

Darren Way, a City associate Schoolboy signing from Plymouth is included in England's Under-16 squad for a friendly international against Denmark at Chester City's ground on Saturday 3rd February (k.o. 3.00pm).

Midfielder Darren helped England win their UEFA Under-16 Championships qualifying tournament in Sweden in October and hopes to be included in the squad for the Finals in Austria in June.

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Kevin Lawrence

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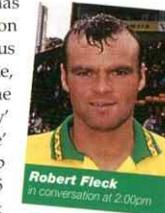
and choosing his 3 favourite songs. Flecky has recently enjoyed a spell as skipper while Jon Newsome's been injured, and hopefully he'll tell us whether his goal against Birmingham was a fluke, or did he mean to bounce his shot over the 'keeper's head?!? After our 'Match Commentary' and 'Press Conference Live'

we've got an interesting line up of studio guests to join in the 5.05 phone-in. Helen McDermott from Anglia TV is coming down to Carrow Road to see what all the fuss is about and hopefully she'll see how exciting football can be here. David Cuffley who writes for the Pink-Un, and also the well known TV personality Peter Simon, currently starring in Peter Pan at the Theatre Royal, are also joining Mike Souter on the red hot Norwich City Phone-in. To put questions or just take part in the discussion the number to call after the game is Norwich 761602, and make sure you tune your radios to the medium waveband - 1602AM.



Helen McDermott  
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Robert Fleck  
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# Canaries Welcome

# Luton Town



Lennie Lawrence

Luton Town, like Norwich City have recently undergone a change of Manager and also like the Canaries they achieved their first win 'under new management' last weekend.

The Hatters' new boss is former Charlton, Middlesbrough and Bradford manager Lennie Lawrence, who is a highly respected figure in the game. He worked wonders for Charlton, in their spell in the top flight, and his ability to turn out attractive teams on limited resources appealed to the Luton board. He replaced Terry Westley just before Christmas.

Lawrence has clear ideas about how he likes his sides to play and although First Division survival is his undoubted priority for this season, he will put his faith in 'playing' his way out of trouble.

Luton are the second side which Lennie Lawrence has brought to Carrow Road this season having previously earned a 0-0 draw with Bradford City in the Third Round of the Coca-Cola Cup. On that night his side worked hard to deny Norwich, but in the replay at Valley Parade, Bradford displayed admirable attacking flair in coming within a minute of eliminating the Canaries, before eventually losing the tie 5-3 after extra-time.

Last Saturday's 3-1 home win against Southend will have boosted Luton's confidence considerably and they will come to Carrow Road today looking to avenge their 3-1 defeat by Norwich at Kenilworth Road in the opening fixture of the season.

On that particular day Luton played some neat constructive football, but failed to penetrate the City rearguard apart from a second-half penalty, converted by Bontcho Guentchev.

However the side has changed considerably since then with several key

players such as Scott Oakes, Darren Patterson and leading scorer Dwight Marshall, now back to full fitness having missed the start of the campaign.

It was Oakes who inspired the Hatters to their victory against Southend, scoring one spectacular and one deflected goal past the Shrimpers. Oakes is a hugely talented individual, who is probably Luton's greatest asset at the moment. The club have so far resisted the temptation to cash in on the attacking midfielder, but as the season progresses it might be a bold move to move Oakes out to enable them to bring in more new recruits.

So far this season Luton have invested heavily. Pre-season they signed Steve Davis from Burnley (£750,000), Graham Alexander from Scunthorpe (£100,000) and David Oldfield from Leicester (£150,000) as well as picking up Bontcho Guentchev and Gavin Johnson on free transfers from Ipswich Town.

Since the season began they have also acquired Norwegian striker Vidar Riseth for £100,000 and goalkeeper Ian Feuer from West Ham for £580,000, whilst selling goalkeeper Jurgen Sommer to Queens Park Rangers for £600,000.

Therefore Luton are keen to see some reward for this relatively big spending on their part. They currently lie bottom of Division One with 22 points from 24 games, but even a good run of form would see them rise up the table. They are an entertaining side to watch and are capable of surprising any team in the division.

Their away record is not good though, with just four goals and nine points to show from their eleven away league games so far. Their two away wins came at Southend (1-0), and Ipswich (1-0); points were earned at Grimsby (0-0), Wolves (0-0), and Watford (1-1); whilst they lost at Barnsley (1-3), Millwall (0-1), Tranmere (0-1), Stoke (0-5), Barnsley (0-1) and Portsmouth (0-4).

Both teams will be hoping to build on last weeks victories and move up the table. Hopefully, if both sides are positive in their outlook, the fans will be in for a treat this afternoon.



## LUTON TOWN FOOTBALL CLUB

### Back Row (left to right):

Ben Chenery, Danny Power, Gary Simpson, Fred Barber, Paul McLaren, Rob Matthews (now York City), Gavin Johnson, David Greene, Steve Davis, Kelvin Davis, John Taylor, Trevor Peake, Julian James.

### Middle Row (left to right):

Chris Green (Director), Cliff Bassett (Director), Clive Goodyear (Physio), Paul Lowe (Youth Development Officer), Richard Harvey, Aaron Skelton, David Oldfield, Mitchell Thomas, Des Linton, Marvin Johnson, Bontcho Guentchev, Matthew Woolgar, Wayne Turner (Asst. Manager), John Moore (Coach), Les Shannon (Scout), Nigel Terry (Director).

### Front Row (left to right):

Jamie Woodsford, Gary Waddock, Tony Thorpe, Ceri Hughes, Mick McGiven, David Kohler (Chairman), Terry Westley (former Manager), Scott Oakes, Nathan Jones, Graham Alexander, Dwight Marshall.

## Luton Town Factfile

FORMED: 1885

### HONOURS:

DIV 2 CHAMPIONS: 1981-82  
DIV 3 (S) CHAMPIONS: 1936-37  
DIV 4 CHAMPIONS: 1967-68  
LEAGUE CUP WINNERS: 1987-88

### BIGGEST VICTORY:

12-0 versus Bristol Rovers 13.4.1936

### BIGGEST DEFEAT:

0-9 versus Small Heath 12.11.1898

### MOST CAPPED PLAYER:

Mal Donaghy - 58 (Northern Ireland).

### MOST LEAGUE APPEARANCES:

494 Bob Morton 1948-64

### MOST LEAGUE GOALS:

243 Gordon Turner 1949-64

## 1994/95 SEASON

LEAGUE PLACING: 16th Endsleigh League Division One

AVERAGE HOME LEAGUE ATTENDANCE: 7,353

LEADING LEAGUE GOALSCORER: Dwight Marshall - 11

PLAYER OF THE YEAR: Trevor Peake

### Ian Feuer Position: Goalkeeper Age: 24

Giant American goalkeeper who signed for Luton on a permanent basis last month (for a fee of £580,000 from West Ham) after previously being on loan. A sound performer, he is obviously good at collecting crosses as well as being deceptively agile for such a big man. He had a loan spell at Peterborough last season and has also played in Belgium.

### Mitchell Thomas Position: Defender Age: 31

Tall and leggy full-back who is now in his second spell with the club where he began his career. A former England Under 21 international, he had several good seasons at Spurs and a shorter stay at West Ham before returning to Luton in 1994. Comfortable on the ball, he is a constructive defender with good tackling skills.

### Darren Patterson Position: Full-back Age: 26

Cost Luton £150,000 from Crystal Palace last August, but an achilles injury prevented him making his debut until November. A versatile defender, he is a current Northern Ireland international. Strongly built, he is a competitive character who combines fierce determination in defence with a willingness to link in attack. He has also been on the books of West Brom and Wigan.

### Richard Harvey Position: Full-back Age: 26

Left sided player who can operate at full-back or in midfield. Beset with injuries over a two year period, he is now fully fit and a virtual ever-present in the side. A very consistent performer, he seldom lets the side down and he is a good passer of the ball with his sweet left foot.

### Julian James Position: Full-back Age: 25

This former Hatters' trainee recently played his 200th league game for the club. He can play in either full-back position or in midfield, he missed just four games last season as he made the right-back position his own. A tenacious tackler, he uses the ball well and he won England Under-21 honours earlier in his career.

### Marvin Johnson Position: Central Defender Age: 27

Another former Town trainee who last season switched from full-back to a more central role. He was an ever-present and collected the Players' Player of the Year award. Quick and mobile, he is adept at marking skilful strikers, as he doesn't allow them the time or space to create danger. Approaching his 200th league game for the club.

### Trevor Peake Position: Central Defender Age: 38

This highly experienced former Lincoln and Coventry defender has played well over 620 league games in his career, the highlight of which was the FA Cup Final win for Coventry in 1987. Extremely consistent and dependable, he reads the game exceptionally well and times his interceptions to perfection. Luton's Club Captain.

### Steve Davis Position: Central Defender Age: 27

Strong and powerful central defender who is dominant in the air and resolute on the ground. He was signed from Burnley last July for a fee of £750,000, but missed the start of the season through injury. He began his career at Southampton and also had a loan spell at Notts. County before moving to Turf Moor. One to watch at set piece situations.

### Paul McLaren Position: Midfield Age: 19

Originally a central defender, this former trainee is now more widely recognised as a central midfielder. His obvious defensive qualities make him an extra barrier to the opposition, although he doesn't restrict himself to solely defensive duties. A former

England Youth international, he made his full debut at Tranmere earlier this season.

### Gary Waddock Position: Midfield Age: 33

Tigerish midfielder whose ball-winning skills have earned him 21 full caps for the Republic of Ireland. After more than 200 games for QPR, an injury seemingly ended his career in English football. He had a spell in Belgium before returning to play for Millwall, having to re-pay the insurance money he collected at QPR, Bristol Rovers and lately Luton. A good leader, he never gives less than total commitment.

### Ceri Hughes Position: Midfield Age: 24

A current Welsh international, this exciting attacking midfielder has attracted the attention of many clubs, including Norwich. An excellent passer of the ball, he is inventive in and around the box, and is never afraid to try the unpredictable. Naturally competitive, his temperament occasionally lets him down.

### Graham Alexander Position: Midfield Age: 24

He was previous Manager Terry Westley's first signing, costing the Hatters a basic £100,000 from Scunthorpe last July. A goalscoring wide midfield

## One To Watch

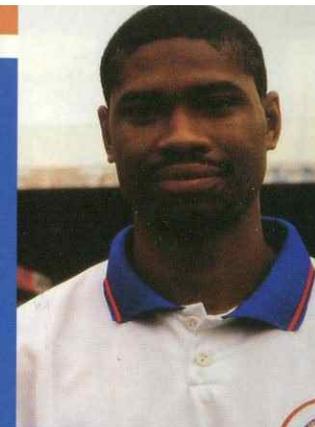
### Dwight Marshall

Position: Forward Age: 30

Luton's top scorer last season with 13 goals in all competitions. This skilful striker is very quick and likes to run at defenders, committing them at full stretch. He often drifts out into wide positions and creates goals as well as scores them.

Snapped up from non-league Grays Athletic by Plymouth, he had three seasons at Home Park, including a loan spell at Middlesbrough, before joining Luton for £150,000 in July 1994.

His pace and direct style can unsettle any defence and he is on target to finish as the club's top scorer again this season.



player he favours the right hand flank. He has good pace and the ability to deliver telling crosses into the box.

### Tony Thorpe Position: Midfield Age: 21

An inexperienced attacking midfielder who was signed in 1992 after being released by Leicester City. Scored on his first full Hatters debut in an FA Cup tie at Newcastle. He is not yet a regular in the side, but he has the potential to be a very exciting player, possessing good close control and dribbling skills.

### Scott Oakes Position: Forward Age: 23

Signed from Leicester in October 1991, he made his Luton debut at Norwich shortly after. A clever striker, who can also play just behind the front two is required, he is an England Under 21 international. Quick and lively, he is always on the move, making him difficult to mark. Luton's top scorer in his first full season, he missed the start of this campaign through injury.



Trevor Peake

### David Oldfield Position: Forward Age: 27

Australian born former England Under 21 international who is now in his second spell at Kenilworth Road, having begun his career there in 1988. His unselfish running and good technique almost saw him join Norwich in 1989, but he opted to join Manchester City instead before later playing for Leicester and Millwall on loan.

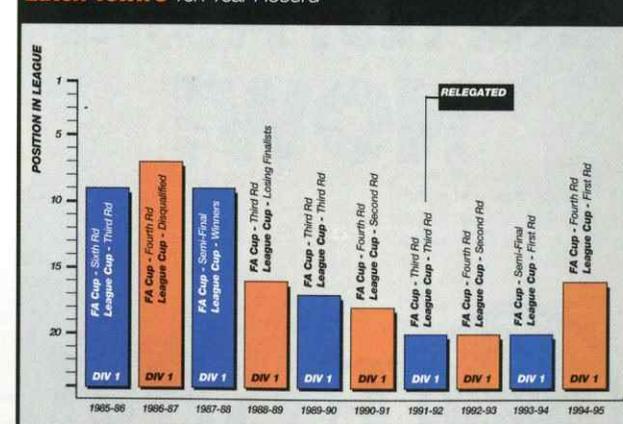
### Bontcho Guentchev Position: Forward Age: 31

Bulgarian international striker who was released by Ipswich at the end of last season. A quick thinking player with the ability to turn defenders, he scored against Norwich from the penalty spot in the first game of the season. He has also played in Portugal and he played in the 1994 World Cup Finals.

### John Taylor Position: Forward Age: 31

Norwich born striker who is now with his fifth club, having been a regular goalscorer for Colchester, Cambridge, Bristol Rovers and Bradford before joining Luton for £200,000 in March 1995. Strong in the air, he is more than useful on the ground too and he has over 100 career league goals to his credit. Recently returned to the side following a back operation.

## Luton Town's Ten Year Record



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# Connections



This afternoon's meeting of the Canaries and the Hatters is the 64th in a long history of Football League clashes which began when both clubs were founder members of Division Three in 1920. Over the years Norwich have gained the upper hand with 24 wins to Luton's 21, although the Hatters have scored 93 goals to City's 89.

In December 1981 Luton were riding high at the top of Division Two when they visited Carrow Road for a match which was almost not played because of snow. However the pitch was cleared and within twenty minutes City found themselves 3-0 behind. Debutant John Deehan pulled one goal back but Luton's powerful play deserved the victory. Both clubs were promoted to Division One at the season's end.

At the end of the 1988-89 season during which Norwich had led the table for most of the campaign, Luton needed to beat City at Kenilworth Road to avoid relegation. In a controversial match the Hatters were awarded two dubious penalties, Danny Wilson missed the first but scored the second as Luton survived in Division One.

No fewer than 35 players have represented Norwich City and Luton Town, with several of them doing so with great distinction. In the early days of this century the likes of Tommy Allsopp, James McEwan, Davie Ross and John Smith, were all popular figures at Norwich and Luton, Smith in particular being a prolific goalscorer at both clubs.

Between the wars Sam Bell, Jack Vinall and another prolific marksman, James Thompson, became popular figures for City and Town, but perhaps the greatest player to serve Norwich and Luton was Ron Davies.

Ron's stay at Kenilworth Road lasted less than a year, in which time he scored 21 goals in 32 league games, including 4 against Norwich in Town's 4-2 home win of the 1962-63 season. A £35,000 cheque secured his signature for Norwich in September 1963 and he gave the Canaries three excellent seasons before moving to First Division Southampton for £55,000, scoring 66 goals in 126 games. At the Dell he became one of this country's top goalscorers and won 29 caps for Wales.

The only player to have played over 100 league games for both clubs is full-back turned midfielder John Ryan, who spent seven years at Luton before enjoying a successful late flourish to his career at Norwich where he was hugely popular with the crowds for his ferocious shooting power.

## Played in the League for both Clubs

	NORWICH		LUTON TOWN	
	Apps	Goals	Apps	Goals
Tommy Allsopp	*115	18	*56	7
Jimmy Banks	124	22	14	2
Sam Bell	76	26	30	19
Wayne Biggins	79	16	7	1
Bobby Brennan	225	44	69	22
Tom Brown	*2	0	15	0
Viv Busby	22	11	77	16
Billy Bushell	*132	2	*69	4
Ernie Coxhead	*38	4	114	6
Ron Davies	113	58	32	21
George Dennis	1	0	141	44
Fred Dent	24	12	13	5
Allenby Driver	49	19	41	13
John Fulton	1	0	80	0
Bob Graham	50	0	164	5
Bill Jennings	*38	2	79	1
Billy Kellock	3	0	7	0
George Lamberton	*37	11	*33	8
James McEwan	*103	0	*66	0
Bill Molyneux	*22	0	79	1
George Porter	*9	0	1	1
Arthur Purdy	11	0	25	0
Walter Rayner	*12	0	*2	0
Davie Ross	*57	36	*32	12
Cecil Russell	56	23	8	1
John Ryan	116	26	266	10
Laurie Sheffield	27	16	34	12
Jacky Slicer	125	12	46	13
John Smith	*29	14	*64	32
Fred Thompson	*53	0	*34	0
James Thompson	28	17	72	42
Norman Thomson	16	0	26	5
Jack Vinall	168	72	44	18
Gordon Wilson	2	0	7	0
Harold Woods	*136	30	98	21

\* Southern League

## Last time at Carrow Road

Saturday 26th October 1991 Att: 10,514  
Norwich City 1 Luton Town 0  
Newman

NORWICH COMPLETELY dominated this match, played in front of Carrow Road's lowest ever top-flight crowd. A superlative goalkeeping display from Alec Chamberlain threatened to deny City but Rob Newman's 41st minute strike, following neat approach play from Fleck and Fox, earned the Canaries all three points. Jeremy Goss, Darren Beckford and Robert Fleck (twice) were all denied by Chamberlain as City searched for an elusive second goal.



## Previous Meetings Norwich City v Luton Town

FOOTBALL LEAGUE				LEAGUE CUP		H	A
		H	A	1985-86 Round 3			
1920-21	Div 3	3-0	0-4				
1921-22	Div 3 (S)	0-1	1-2				
1922-23	Div 3 (S)	1-2	0-4				
1923-24	Div 3 (S)	2-0	1-2				
1924-25	Div 3 (S)	1-1	0-0				
1925-26	Div 3 (S)	2-0	2-3				
1926-27	Div 3 (S)	3-2	2-2				
1927-28	Div 3 (S)	3-0	3-1				
1928-29	Div 3 (S)	3-0	1-2				
1929-30	Div 3 (S)	1-1	1-1				
1930-31	Div 3 (S)	1-0	0-1				
1931-32	Div 3 (S)	3-3	1-7				
1932-33	Div 3 (S)	2-1	1-1				
1933-34	Div 3 (S)	4-0	3-2				
1937-38	Div 2	0-4	1-1				
1938-39	Div 2	2-1	1-2				
1960-61	Div 2	2-1	2-0				
1961-62	Div 2	0-4	2-1				
1962-63	Div 2	3-3	2-4				
1970-71	Div 2	1-1	0-0				
1971-72	Div 2	3-1	1-1				
1981-82	Div 2	1-3	0-2				
1982-83	Div 1	1-0	1-0				
1983-84	Div 1	0-0	2-2				
1984-85	Div 1	3-0	1-3				
1986-87	Div 1	0-0	0-0				
1987-88	Div 1	2-2	2-1				
1988-89	Div 1	2-2	0-1				
1989-90	Div 1	2-0	1-4				
1990-91	Div 1	1-3	1-0				
1991-92	Div 1	1-0	0-2				
1995-96	Div 1		3-1				
FA CUP				H	A		
1958-59	Semi-Final		1-1				
1958-59	Replay		0-1				
1975-76	Round 4		2-0				

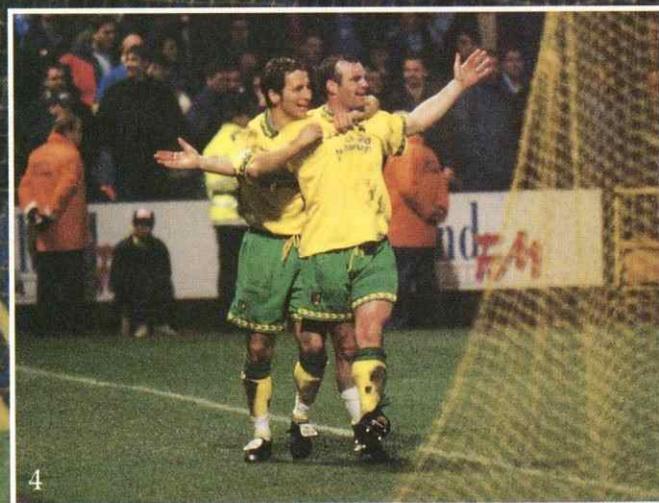
Highest League Attendance at Carrow Road v Luton Town 22,337 (1971-72)

Highest League Goalscorers for Norwich City v Luton Town

Terry Allcock	4
Dale Gordon	4
James Jackson	4
Cecil Blakemore	3
Ken Burditt	3
Mick Channon	3
Graham Paddon	3
Percy Varco	3

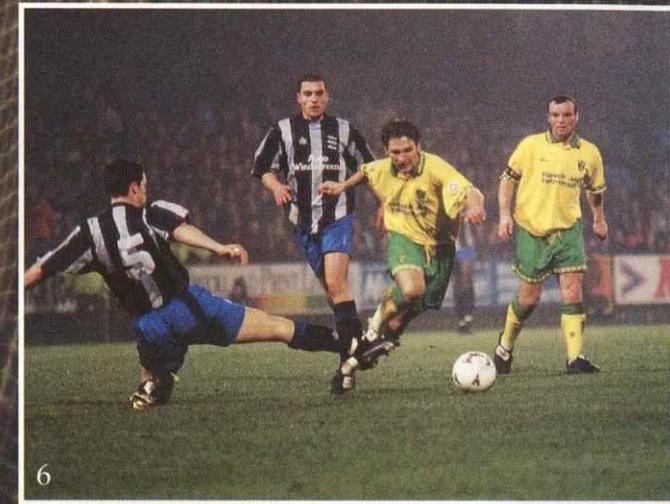
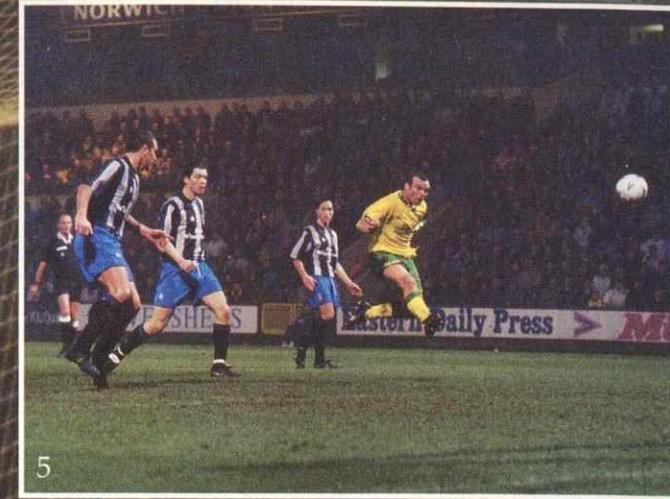
Players who have made their Norwich City Football League debuts against Luton Town

Sid Scott	27.8.21
Bill Bertram	27.8.21
John Whing	27.8.21
Chris Woodhouse	27.8.21
Robert Woolley	5.5.23
Joseph Lamb	29.8.27
John Scott	2.9.29
Bob Graham	9.9.29
Joe Jobling	9.9.29
William Knox	9.9.29
William Smith	10.1.31
Thomas Wren	29.3.32
Len Reilly	18.12.37
John Deehan	28.12.81
Danny Mills	13.8.95



Action from our dramatic Coca-Cola Cup Quarter Final against Birmingham. Bryan Gunn saves Jonathan Hunt's penalty (Pic 1). It's Gunny again in spectacular action (Pic 2). Robert Fleck connects to equalise (Pic 3). He looks happy with his efforts (Pic 4). Robert's just off target with this one (Pic 5). Darren Eadie in full flight (Pic 6).

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# Man of the Match

## Bryan Gunn

Goalkeeper Bryan Gunn produced another five star display to carry off the Bell Cablemedia 'Man of the Match' champagne for last week's Coca-Cola Cup Quarter-Final against Birmingham at Carrow Road.

Bryan also took charge of a mountain bike as the official Coca-Cola 'Man of the Match', so expect to see the 'Gunner' suitably shaven-legged, pedalling up and down all those energy-sapping Norfolk hills in the near future.

After his penalty shoot-out heroics against Bolton in the previous round it came as no surprise to see Bryan once again surpassing himself against the Blues last week.

Alert early on to claim a quickly-taken free-kick from Jonathan Hunt, Bryan then demonstrated once more his brilliance from the spot by holding a Hunt penalty low to his right after 22 minutes.

Thereafter it was Kevin Francis who found himself frustrated by three more stunning saves - a powerful close-range header tipped over the bar, an angled drive blocked by the keeper's legs and a far-post downward header superbly pushed onto the post.

Bryan basically kept City in the tie - and although Francis eventually succeeded in breaking the deadlock Robert Fleck's rapid reply ensured a replay at St. Andrews on Wednesday.

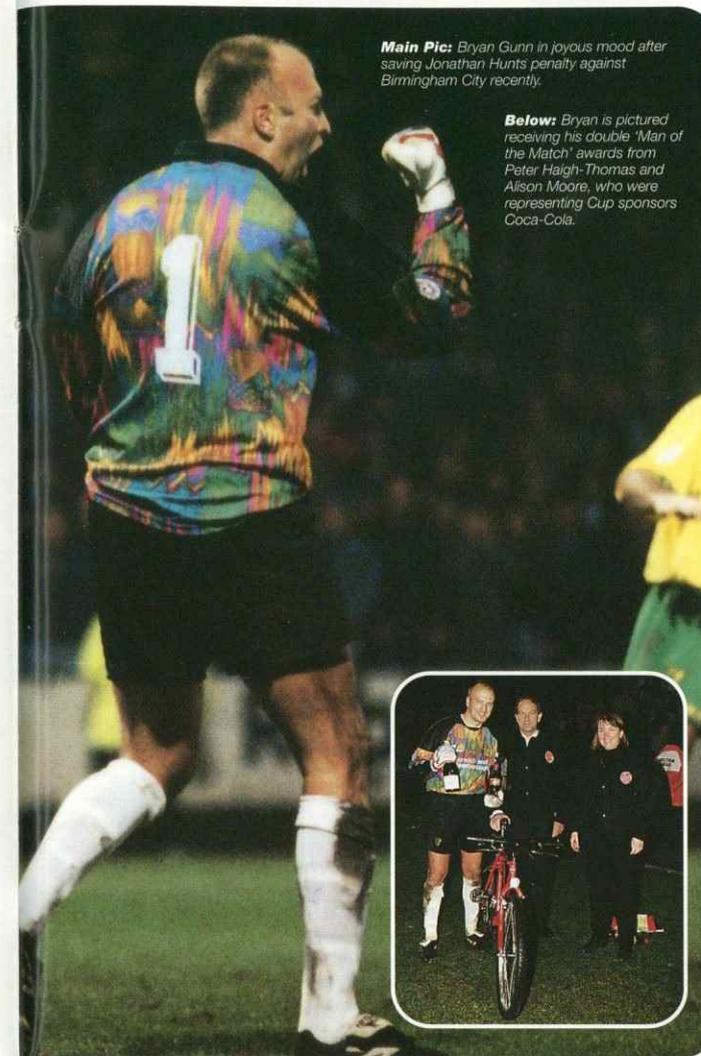
Had Fleck succeeded in steering his second volley inside the post that 'Man of the Match' decision would have been just that little more awkward - as things turned out Bryan was one of the most straightforward choices for a while.

However, on a night when the Canaries produced the most positive performance for some little while, other players deserve a mention.

Following Jon Newsome's unfortunate back injury, City's new central defensive partnership of John Polston and Spence Prior coped admirably with the ever dangerous Steve Claridge and Kevin Francis, whilst in midfield Neil Adams continued to look very comfortable in his new central position.

Hopefully this afternoon's clash with Luton will see a continuation in City's recent improvement and produce several contenders for today's Bell Cablemedia 'Man of the Match' award.

Trevor Burton (Eastern Daily Press)



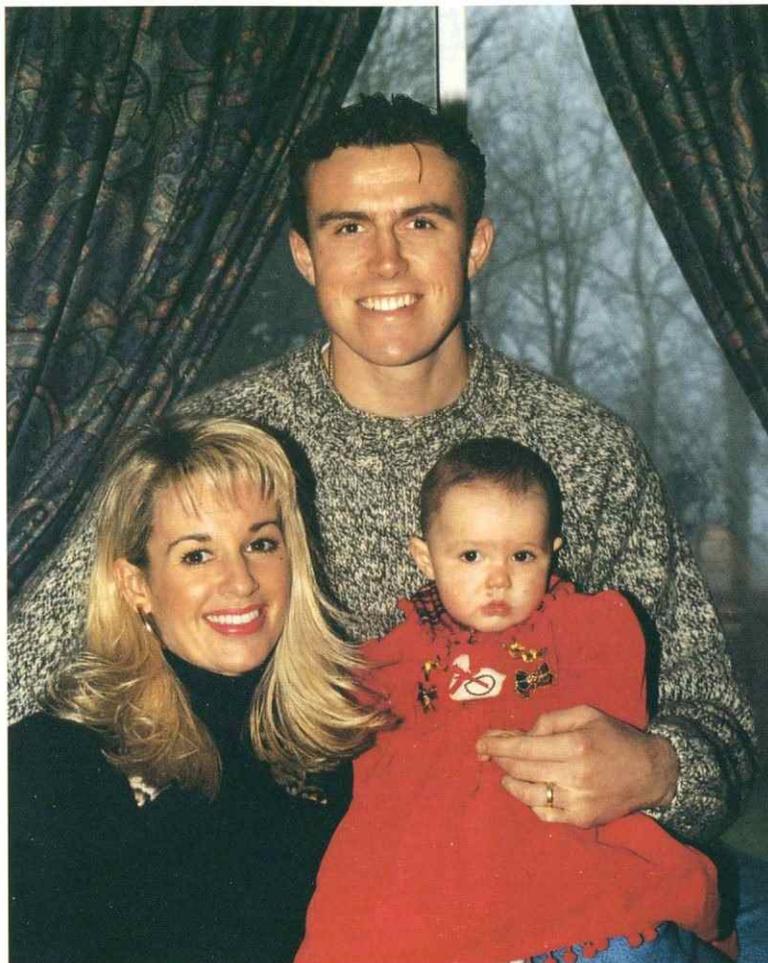
**Main Pic:** Bryan Gunn in joyous mood after saving Jonathan Hunt's penalty against Birmingham City recently.

**Below:** Bryan is pictured receiving his double 'Man of the Match' awards from Peter Haigh-Thomas and Alison Moore, who were representing Cup sponsors Coca-Cola.



# Bell Cablemedia

# Focus *focus on* on Jon Newsome



*City skipper Jon Newsome is currently on the sidelines recovering from a back injury he sustained in the recent Coca-Cola Cup Quarter-Final match with Birmingham City at Carrow Road. To many observers Jon was a little fortunate to only be carried off following his knock, he could possibly have left the field with a red card under his nose.*

'Yes, I was relieved not to be sent-off. As the cross came over I didn't intend to handle the ball. I knew I wasn't going to be able to head it and that Kevin Francis was behind me so I put my arm up in the hope that it might put him off or that his header might strike my arm. As it was the ball just flicked my fingers, it looked bad on the television and I realise I could have been dismissed'.

In the event Jon collapsed in a heap inside the goal and immediately received attention from Tim Sheppard.

'It was Kevin Francis' knee which caught me in the back. I didn't hit the goalpost at all. After that I was more concerned in talking to Tim than anything else, but there was no way that I could continue. It was just a freak accident.

'The back is feeling better now. It is a similar injury to that I suffered last season. I just need to let it settle and as soon as I can train again I hope to be able to play too'.

As captain, Jon takes his responsibilities seriously and is disappointed to be missing matches at this vital stage of the season.

'Hopefully we've now emerged out of our bad run. We haven't been playing anywhere near as well as we can and because of that we haven't been picking up the points we should have been.'

'It was a great result at Sunderland last week and we now need to carry on from that against Luton this afternoon. We need to turn things around now and re-establish ourselves amongst the top clubs. Everyone here is very positive we can do just that, the mood amongst the players is good and we all want the same thing - promotion at the end of the season'.

The visit of Luton to Carrow Road brings back memories of that sunny Sunday afternoon in August, when City began this topsy-turvy season with an emphatic 3-1 win at Kenilworth Road, with Jon bagging a brace of well taken headers.

'It was a great start to the season and one which we built on without ever finding our really best form. Obviously, in recent weeks, things haven't been going so well and I'd be telling lies if I said that all the off the field happenings hadn't affected the players. After all we are human, but we musn't keep harping on about it or use it as an excuse for our poor results.'

'Team spirit and morale has not been a problem throughout this season, we just feel that lady luck has deserted us on occasions when we've needed it. The players can appreciate the fans frustrations when we're not playing well, but hopefully we can all look forward to better things in the weeks ahead'.

Jon won the coveted 'Barry Butler Memorial Trophy' in his first season at Carrow Road, when he enjoyed an outstanding personal campaign as City started well and finished sadly. Is he happy with his form this time

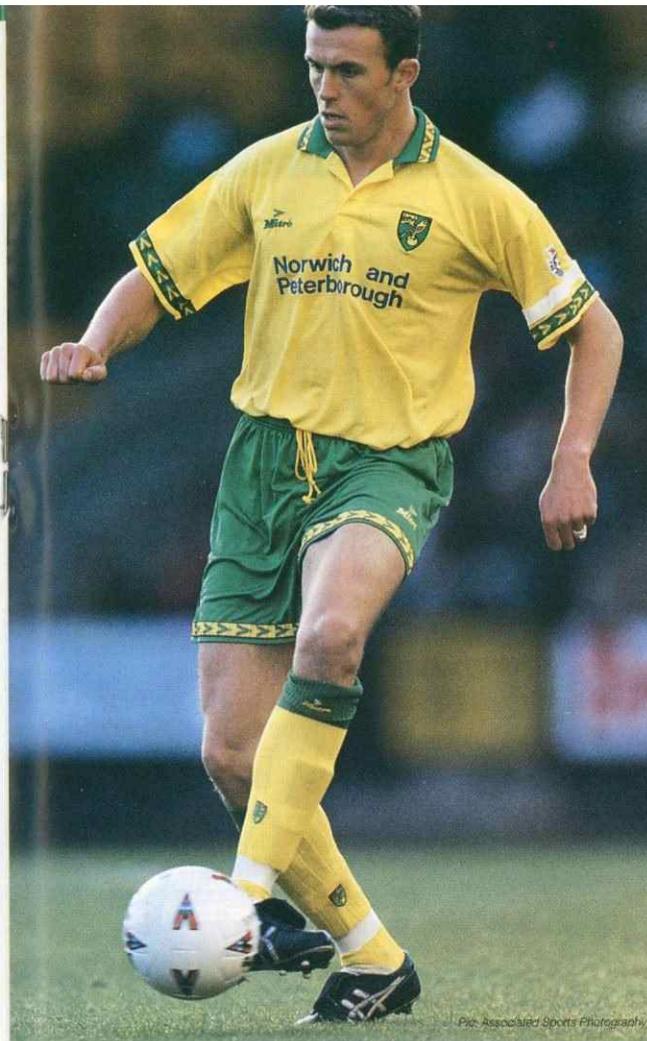
around?

'I'm reasonably pleased with how I've been playing. Each Manager has their own ideas about how they want you to play and there are subtle differences. Really you just have to do what you're told.'

Five goals so far this season, including those two against Luton is an excellent return for Jon.

'That's been a pleasing aspect of the season so far. Every goal is a bonus. I don't set myself goalscoring targets, but this is my best season ever and I really have to be happy with that'.

There has been a certain amount of media speculation concerning Jon's long-term future, suggesting that he is a target for this club or that, is that unsettling?



'You can't help noticing it and if anyone was being honest, in any walk of life, you cannot ignore the chance to perform or work at the highest levels of your profession.'

'There is very little I can do to influence my long term future, except to carry on playing to the best of my ability. I do not start, or particularly want the speculation, but we all have dreams in life so who knows.'

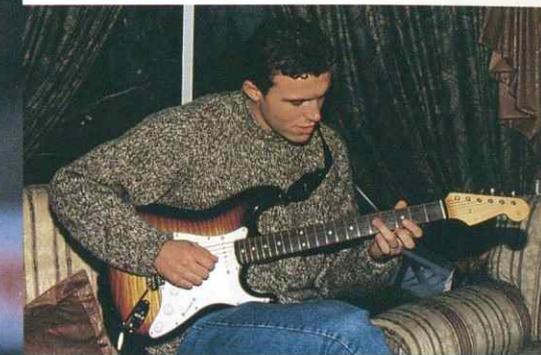
'At the moment I have another season, after this one, of my contract to run and all my efforts are concentrated on doing my best for Norwich City. It cannot be any other way and I certainly don't spend too much time contemplating the future'.

Off the field Jon and Suzanne have just enjoyed a busy Christmas time and also celebrated the first birthday of their first child, Natalya.

'She has brought a whole new meaning to our lives. Her birthday was just over a fortnight ago and it was a really busy time. She has been walking since she was about ten and a half months old, so we really have to watch her now'.

A summer move to a property near the new Colney Training Centre has also kept the Newsomes busy.

'It is really handy for training, being literally two minutes from Colney. It is a new house and we're really happy with it. As a footballer you never know what can be around the corner, so it's



sometimes difficult to know whether to rent or buy a house. It is always in the back of your mind that you might move suddenly and find yourself losing money on a property, but a rented place never feels like home, so we made the move'.

A former favourite pastime of Jon's has recaptured his attentions in recent weeks - playing the guitar.

'I used to play a lot as a kid until I was 15 or so when it then took a back-seat to football. I've always wanted to play the kind of music I like listening to, such as Paul Weller or a bit of rock, but at the moment I'm doing something totally different.'

'I'm doing more acoustic guitar playing now, which involves a bit of theory, but if I'm honest I prefer playing on the electric guitar which is more enjoyable and I'm only doing it for fun after all. It's something I can do on my own at any time and I would like to improve a little if I can'.

As the season moves into another vital and exciting chapter Jon would rather be playing than watching from the stands, but hopefully it will not be too long before the Canaries' own 'Captain Fantastic' is back on the field leading his side to a thrilling climax to the season.

## PERSONAL FACTFILE - Jon Newsome

- Full name** - Jon Newsome
- Marital status/family** - Married to Suzanne/Daughter, Natalya.
- What was your first car** - Ford Escort 1.3L.
- What is your current car** - BMW 525i Tourer/AC Schnitzer.
- Do you have any pets** - Weimeraner Dog called 'Xes' (pronounced 'Zes').
- If you weren't a footballer what would you do** - Start my own business or join the Air Force.
- What would you do if you won the Lottery** - Give some to my family, go on a great holiday and probably donate some to charity.
- Your favourite food/drink** - Indian & Chinese/Wine (Red & White)
- Your favourite TV programme** - Shooting Stars and Fantasy Football League.
- Your favourite music** - Paul Weller and Various.

- Your favourite holiday spot** - Florida/Maldives.
- Your favourite away ground** - Old Trafford.
- What was the last book you read** - Incoherent Action.
- Describe the best goal you've ever scored** - Diving header versus Sheffield United for Leeds the day we won the League Championship.
- Describe the best goal you've ever seen** - Glenn Hoddle for Tottenham against Watford. Drag back and chip.
- Who was your boyhood hero** - Glen Hoddle.
- What advice would you give to any young footballer** - Enjoy it. Work hard and dedicate yourself as much as possible.

# Football in the

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GOOD AFTERNOON EVERYBODY

Over 50 budding young goalkeepers attended our goalkeeping course at Trowse Training Ground last Saturday. Our coaches instructed the children on handling, shotstopping, communication and general goalkeeping techniques. David Child, our senior goalkeeping coach, compiled the comprehensive schedule for the day which was well received by the young 'keepers.

Our next one day Goalkeeping Academy is on Wednesday 21st February, 10.00 am - 3.00 pm at Trowse Training Ground. For further details and a booking form contact the Community Office.

Our next 'Sunday' Club will be:

## Norwich City v Birmingham

Date: Sunday 4th February

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This morning our Under-14 girls team were in action against 'Shipdham Strikers'. We hope they enjoyed this friendly fixture with us.

If you have a girls team and are interested in a fixture contact the Community Office.

Over 30 girls attended our first training session of the New Year at Trowse last Saturday. We were pleased to see so many attend the session and would welcome any new keen young footballers. The sessions take place every Saturday morning from 10.00 am until 12.00 mid-day. For further information on girls soccer call into the Community Office.

## February Half Term 2-day Courses

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19th-20th	Barnards Meadow, Lowestoft
19th-20th	Mundford Primary, Thetford
19th-21st	Downham Market Sports Centre
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PETER & JAMIE

## Junior Canaries

GOOD AFTERNOON EVERYBODY

Welcome to the Junior Canary members and their families here at Carrow Road today, and a special welcome to the Junior Hatters sitting in the South Stand this afternoon.



### Excursion to Oldham Athletic

Date: Saturday, February 10th

Departure: Carrow Road at 8.30 am

Cost: £13.00 per person including coach travel and match ticket.

Tickets on sale from Ros in Strikers from 1.30 pm TODAY.

### Calling all Schools, Youth Clubs, Junior Football Clubs etc.

If you are responsible for a large group of children and would like to bring them along to Carrow Road to watch a First Division match, at a reduced price, then please call Ros on

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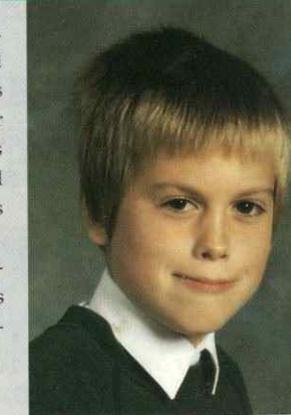
### Evening News Match Mascots



This afternoon we have a mascot for each team. Leading the Canaries out will be ten year old James Edwards (left) from Roydon. James attends Roydon County Primary School and has a brother Jonathan. He enjoys rugby and tennis as well as playing for Bressingham Under-10's football team. He names Darren Eadie and Bryan Gunn as his favourite players.

Luton's mascot is ten year old Mark Ryman-Tubb (right). His favourite player is Scott Oakes and his hobbies include karate, football, swimming and computer games.

We hope James and Mark enjoy their big day.



### Excursion to Millwall

Date: Saturday, February 24th

Departure: COACH 1 for those wishing to play football against the Junior Lions leaving Carrow Road at 8.15 am.

COACH 2 for those wishing to watch the match only, leaving Carrow Road at 10.45 am.

Cost: £13.00 per person including coach travel and match ticket

Tickets on sale from Ros in Strikers on Sunday 4th February from 1.30 pm.

Pictured here is Darren Eadie signing an autograph for a young fan at our Christmas Pantomime in December.

Congratulations to the following children who were the competition winners in the Family Enclosure recently. Their prize is to be a ballboy or girl at this afternoon's game and I hope they are enjoying their day at Carrow Road. The winners are Adam Knights, Caroline Sayer, Martin Woolner, M. Smith, Jonathan Bennett and Lee Turrell.

Well done to Alistair Meeke of Sprowston, last week's competition winner and a big thank you to PIZZA ONE, PANCAKES TO for providing this afternoon's prize.

Have a great afternoon. Cheer the lads on.  
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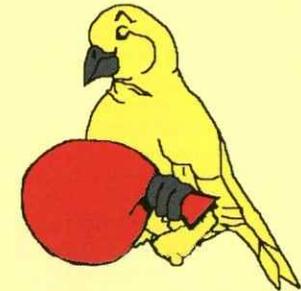


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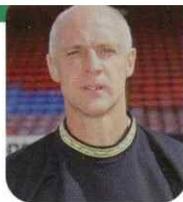
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# Reserve News

with John Faulkner



On Wednesday evening we entertained Queen's Park Rangers at a very foggy Carrow Road which must have made it difficult, at times, for the Family Night Football fans in the Barclay End to see the action at the River End. In case they did miss anything I can tell them now that we won 2-1.

Both sides included several experienced players with a number of them desperately needing some match practice because of all the recent postponements due to bad weather. We always have good games with Rangers and this was no exception.

It was Rangers who scored first, with a very disappointing goal from our point of view, we were stretched at the back and when the cross came in their player was unmarked to head the ball past Andy Marshall.

The game's big turning point came about ten minutes later when Ade Akinbiyi latched on to a throughball, nicked it past their 'keeper, Tony Roberts, who was totally committed and completely flattened Ade.

Roberts received a red card and although Rangers had a substitute goalkeeper on the bench they were obviously reduced to ten men. Unfortunately for us the incident took place outside the area and the resulting free-kick was cleared.

Within a minute of all that happening Robert Ullathorne volleyed an equaliser from about fifteen yards past their new 'keeper. That was Robert's last significant contribution to the match as just before half-time he was carried off with a knee injury. I was upset for him as he had been

playing so well. Substitute Ali Gibb took his place at left-back.

Against ten men it is so important to keep possession and to make the other team work and chase for the ball. All too often you see the ten men do so well and that is often because the other team give the ball away so much in their anxiety to make their extra man count.

We did keep possession well. It is a skill in itself to do that, but we were not positive enough. The general idea is that you move the other team around until a positive move is possible. At times we were boring because we passed the ball without creating anything at the end of it.

We did eventually score again when Jerry Goss drove home a loose ball after Keith Scott had caused havoc in the Rangers defence.

Further chances came and went but the most pleasing aspect of our possession football was that we completely nullified Rangers' attacking ambitions. I don't think Andy Marshall had a single save to make in the second-half.

Our victory lifted us up to third place in the table with games in hand over Wimbledon who are second. At times our passing was excellent, something which I know this Club is trying to get back to, but we just needed to be more ruthless with our final ball.

### Team Line-up v Queens Park Rangers

Marshall, Wright, Ullathorne (Gibb), Newman, Mills, Milligan, Sutch, Carey, Akinbiyi (Cureton), Goss, Scott, (Harrington).

# Youth News

with Keith Webb



### DAVE STRINGER REPORTS ON LAST SATURDAY'S LEAGUE GAME AT WEST HAM UNITED:

West Ham had already beaten us at Colney earlier in the season and were only a point behind us in the league, so we knew it would be a hard game for us. Gaven Tipple's injury gave schoolboy Darren Way a baptism of fire as he made his debut in midfield.

We started fairly brightly, competing well for every ball but then the game started to go West Ham's way. They were causing us problems on the flanks and eventually took a 1-0 lead when they were quicker to a partially cleared ball out of our area.

This lifted them, but to be fair we responded well and Damian Hilton hit an equaliser from fully 40 yards. At that stage, having got back on level terms I was confident that we would build on that and go on to win.

However it was West Ham who regained the lead from a quickly taken free-kick inside our area, awarded against Paul Barber for picking-up a backpass. Soon after it was 3-1, which left us with a real uphill task for the second-half.

Together with Ian Crook, who was helping me out on the day, I tried to advise the lads on how to combat West Ham and to instill some confidence in to them.

They responded well and took the game to the home side in the second-half and we might have got ourselves right back in to it if Sam Winston hadn't skied a very acceptable chance over the bar following some good work by substitute Adrian Forbes.

That incident seemed to epitomise our day and it was West Ham who went onto score again to make the final result 4-1. It was our biggest defeat of the season and must serve as a lesson for the future. As it happens Arsenal and Tottenham also lost so our league position could have been worse, but it was disappointing that we didn't give a good account of ourselves on the day.

### KEITH WEBB WAS IN-CHARGE FOR MONDAY'S FA YOUTH CUP TIE WITH BURNLEY AT CARROW ROAD:

I felt it was important that we went back to basics for this match. We needed to get the boys' minds right, their confidence up and to keep it simple by taking no chances at the back. I opted to play Che Wilson in midfield and Wesley O'Connor at left back

to give us a more solid look.

After just seven minutes Damian Hilton lashed home a cracking left foot shot from outside the area, giving their goalkeeper no chance. This gave us the confidence we needed and we proceeded to play some good football and create several chances. Our inability to take those chances which would have given us a more comfortable lead cost us dear as some slack defending, just before half-time, led to a penalty being awarded, and converted, by Burnley.

At the break I told the lads to lift the tempo of the game and to get their defenders turning more. I introduced Sam Winston into the side to give us more pace and urgency up front and this paid off on the hour mark. A poorly taken free-kick was going straight to their keeper, but Sam chased it through anyway, the 'keeper lost possession and ended up pulling Sam down. Wesley O'Connor tucked the penalty away to make it 2-1. Burnley worked hard to build up some attacking momentum, but we were holding out quite comfortably. We were playing on the break and should have really increased our lead.

Our only concern came when Kori Davis got himself sent-off for throwing (and missing) a punch after initially acting as a peacemaker in a scuffle. This obviously made things harder for us, but we clung on to earn a Fourth Round trip to Old Trafford, which is something to look forward to, but we have several other important games before then, starting today, with the visit of Leyton Orient to Colney.

### Team Line-up v West Ham United

Barber, Davis, Wilson, Wigger, O'Connor, McCullough, Bellamy, Hilton, Winston, Way (Forbes), Lewis (Coote), Sub: Green (unused)

### Team Line-up v Burnley

Barber, Kenton, O'Connor, Wilson, Wigger, Green (Davis), Bellamy (Forbes), Broughton (Winston), Hilton, McCullough, Ramasut.

## RESERVE TEAM STATISTICS

### Avon Insurance Combination League Fixtures 1995-96

AUG.	14	Millwall	0-2
	23	Swindon Town	6-0
	28	Tottenham Hotspur	1-0
SEP.	6	Portsmouth	5-0
	12	Queens Park Rangers	2-4
	18	Watford	5-0
	26	Crystal Palace	1-1
OCT.	4	West Ham United	1-5
	11	Bristol City	3-1
	18	Brighton & Hove Albion	2-0
	26	Charlton Athletic	0-3
NOV.	1	Ipswich Town	2-1
	8	Luton Town	2-1
	15	Wimbledon	1-1
	22	Oxford United	1-0
	29	Southampton	2-2
DEC.	6	Arsenal	1-1
	11	Bristol Rovers	2-1
	20	Chelsea	4-0
	27	Swindon Town	Postponed
JAN.	3	Tottenham Hotspur	1-3
	9	Portsmouth	Postponed
	17	Queens Park Rangers	2-1
	23	Watford	
	31	Crystal Palace	
FEB.	6	West Ham United	
	14	Bristol City	
	21	Brighton & Hove Albion	
MAR.	1	Charlton Athletic	
	6	Ipswich Town	
	13	Luton Town	
	20	Wimbledon	
	27	Oxford United	
APR.	3	Southampton	
	9	Arsenal	
	17	Bristol Rovers	
	22	Chelsea	
MAY	1	Millwall	

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### Avon Insurance Combination (up to and including 17th January 1996)

P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts	
Tottenham	21	16	2	3	47	21	50
Wimbledon	23	13	3	7	44	33	42
Norwich City	21	12	4	5	44	27	40
Crystal Palace	20	10	8	2	26	14	38
Arsenal	20	10	7	3	42	23	37
Chelsea	21	11	3	7	33	26	36
QPR	19	11	1	7	36	28	34
Southampton	22	8	7	7	32	27	31
West Ham	20	8	4	8	34	32	28
Luton	20	7	5	8	29	28	26
Oxford	22	7	5	10	36	41	26
Ipswich	17	6	6	5	31	21	24
Charlton	18	6	5	7	28	34	23
Bristol City	21	7	2	12	19	29	23
Bristol Rovers	21	7	1	13	31	42	22
Brighton	18	5	5	8	18	33	20
Millwall	20	4	5	11	29	45	17
Portsmouth	19	4	5	10	19	39	17
Watford	20	4	3	13	21	37	15
Swindon	19	0	9	10	12	31	9

## COMBINATION OF OUR OWN

### 1995-96 Reserve Team Appearances and Goalscorers

A.I.C.	Apps (Subs)	A.I.C. Goals
N. Adams	9	0
A. Akinbiyi	2	4
C. Bradshaw	2	0
L. Bray	6	0
A. Brownrigg	2 (2)	0
S. Carey	17	2
J. Carus	3 (1)	0
A. Coote	1	0
I. Crook	2	0
J. Cureton	13 (3)	11
K. Davis	0 (1)	0
D. Eadie	1	0
A. Forbes	0 (1)	0
A. Gibb	7 (5)	0
J. Goss	13	1
J. Green	1	0
J. Harrington	11 (9)	4
D. Hilton	1 (2)	1
A. Johnson	1	1
D. Kenton	0 (1)	0
S. Krefl	4 (2)	0
C. Lewis	1 (1)	0
A. Marshall	15	0
S. McCullough	0 (1)	0
M. Milligan	6	2
D. Mills	12	2
J. Mitchell	3 (4)	2
R. Newman	15	0
W. O'Connor	2	0
K. O'Neill	10	2
J. Polston	11	0
S. Prior	1	1
M. Rush	3	0
K. Scott	3	1
M. Sheron	7	3
K. Simpson	16	3
D. Sutch	9	0
G. Tipple	1	0
R. Ullathorne	6	1
C. Wigger	1 (1)	0
S. Winston	0 (2)	0
C. Woodman	4 (1)	0
J. Wright	9	0
Own Goals	-	1

## YOUTH TEAM STATISTICS

### South East Counties League Fixtures 1995-96

AUG.	12	Southend United	4-0
	19	Ipswich Town	2-0
	26	West Ham United	0-1
SEP.	2	Leyton Orient	1-0
	9	Millwall	1-0
	14	Reading (SJFC 1)	2-1
	16	Arsenal (SECLC 1)	2-1
	23	Portsmouth	0-0
	30	Queens Park Rangers	2-1
OCT.	7	Watford	3-1
	14	Tottenham Hotspur	3-2
	21	Gillingham (SECLC 2)	3-2
	28	Cambridge United	5-0
NOV.	1	Aston Villa (SJFC 2)	1-1
	4	Arsenal	0-1
	11	Charlton Athletic	4-0
	14	Aston Villa (SJFC 2 Rep)	1-0
	18	Chelsea	3-1
	22	Peterborough United (FAYC 2)	1-1
	25	Southampton (SECLC 3)	1-2
DEC.	2	Fulham	1-2
	13	Peterborough (FAYC 2 Rep)	2-1
	16	Gillingham	2-2
JAN.	6	Ipswich Town	1-1
	13	West Ham United	1-4
	15	Burnley (FAYC 3)	2-1
	20	Leyton Orient	
FEB.	27	Millwall	
	3	Portsmouth	
	10	Queens Park Rangers	
	13	Manchester United (FAYC 4)	
	17	Watford	
	24	Tottenham Hotspur	
MAR.	2	Cambridge United	
	9	Arsenal	
	16	Charlton Athletic	
	23	Chelsea	
	30	Fulham	

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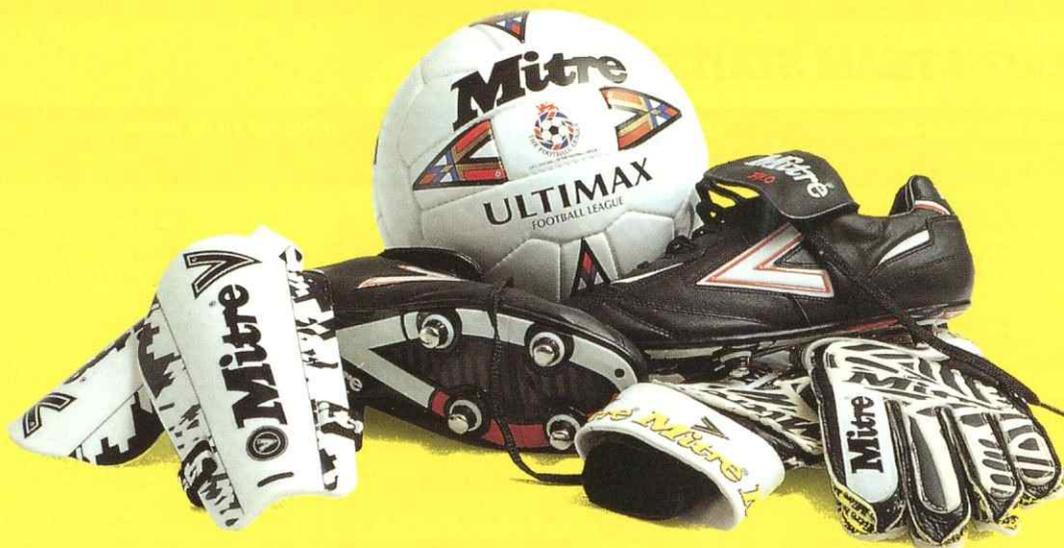
### South East Counties (up to and including 13th January 1996)

P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts	
Arsenal	20	13	4	3	43	16	30
West Ham	17	11	2	4	40	28	24
Norwich City	17	10	3	4	33	16	23
Tottenham	15	10	1	4	51	22	21
Watford	15	8	4	3	32	18	20
Gillingham	16	7	6	3	28	25	20
Ipswich	18	7	5	6	38	30	19
Millwall	19	9	1	9	31	32	19
Charlton	16	6	6	4	31	22	18
Chelsea	14	6	4	4	27	21	16
Fulham	18	5	4	9	21	40	14
Leyton Orient	18	6	1	11	21	34	13
Southend	19	4	4	11	23	35	12
Portsmouth	19	3	5	11	13	31	11
QPR	17	3	3	11	22	39	9
Cambridge Utd.	18	2	3	13	22	67	7

### 1995-96 Youth Team Appearances and Goalscorers

SECL Apps (Subs)	SECL Goals	ALL CUP Apps (Subs)	ALL CUP Goals
A. Allen	0 (1)	0	-
B. Andrews	0 (1)	0	-
P. Barber	17	0	9
C. Bellamy	9 (2)	3	2 (5)
D. Broughton	11 (2)	10	9
A. Coote	3 (5)	1	3 (1)
K. Davis	7 (2)	0	3 (1)
A. Forbes	5 (7)	1	3 (5)
J. Green	13 (1)	0	5 (4)
C. Hardy	0 (1)	0	-
D. Hilton	12	4	6
P. Hobbs	0 (1)	0	-
D. Kenton	10 (1)	0	9
C. Lewis	12 (2)	1	2 (3)
C. Llewellyn	1 (3)	1	0 (1)
S. McCullough	13 (1)	1	8
W. O'Connor	15	2	7
T. Ramasut	10 (3)	2	7
S. Roach	2 (3)	1	0 (1)
G. Tipple	14	1	7
D. Way	1	0	-
C. Wigger	11 (2)	0	7
C. Wilson	12	0	6
S. Winston	9 (4)	5	6 (3)

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## In The Wings

*Gary Lineker's widely-acclaimed B.B.C. TV documentary 'Dreaming of Ajax' focussed attention on the European Champions' prolific youth development scheme - and here at Norwich City a conscious effort has been made in recent years to take on board many of the lessons to be learned from the way the famous Dutch club operates at junior level.*

Every May for the last four years, for instance, City's schoolboy teams have spent a week at a training camp in Holland, and their programme has included a game against Ajax counterparts - an experience Canary trainee Craig Bellamy well remembers.

'It was three years ago, and I was still only thirteen, but it was very interesting to see their set-up, and play against their boys,' recalls Craig.

Born and bred in Cardiff, and a 'discovery' of City's Bristol-based talent spotter, Richard Everson, the lively front-runner signed Associate Schoolboy forms for City later that summer - and went on to broaden his European football education with the Welsh Under 15 and Under 16 international teams.

He played five times for the Under 15's (against France, Eire, N.Ireland, Scotland and England) and for the Under 16's in their UEFA Championship qualifying tournament against Portugal and Bulgaria in Portugal - and was named 'Man of the Match' in the Bulgaria game.

Not 17 until July, Craig joined the Carrow Road payroll as a trainee last summer, and is the first to admit he found leaving his family and friends in Cardiff and moving into 'digs' 250 miles away a huge wrench.

'It was very difficult at first,' he says. 'But I'm beginning to get over all the homesickness, and I'm starting to enjoy living in Norwich now'.

And he's full of praise for the coaching and training he receives at Colney from Coaches Keith Webb and Dave Stringer - and the Ajax-style aerobics, agility and strength work all the trainees undertake with Chris Roberts of the Norwich Health Club.

'The training really is top quality, and it's benefitting me a lot,' adds Craig.

Everyone's combined endeavours certainly seem to be paying dividends. For Craig and the rest of the Club's relatively young and inexperienced Youth Team is enjoying a highly successful season so far.

Besides riding high in the South East Counties League Division One, and reaching the Quarter Finals of the League Cup, City's Under 18's now have two particularly attractive dates looming on the horizon.

On Tuesday 13th February, they have a 'dream tie' in the Fourth Round of the FA Youth Cup - a visit to Old Trafford to play Manchester United's latest 'babes'. And, on a date still to be finalised, there's a trip to Wimbledon for the Quarter-Final of the Southern Junior Floodlit Cup.

The eagerly-awaited encounter with United follows City's 2-1 victory over Burnley in the Third Round of the Youth Cup on Monday evening here at Carrow Road - a game in which Craig made decisive contributions at both ends of the pitch.

The contest was only two minutes old when he set up Damian Hilton to turn on the edge of the box and crack home a thunderbolt shot just inside the far upright to put City ahead.

Then, three minutes before half-time, less happily, he conceded the penalty from which Burnley equalised - but all ended well thanks to Wesley O'Connor converting a penalty for City midway through the second half.

Now Craig is confident City may be capable of up-staging United's talented starlets on their own pitch: 'I would like to think we can surprise them. We've got a good chance of winning,' he declares.

Let's hope he's right!



Craig Bellamy

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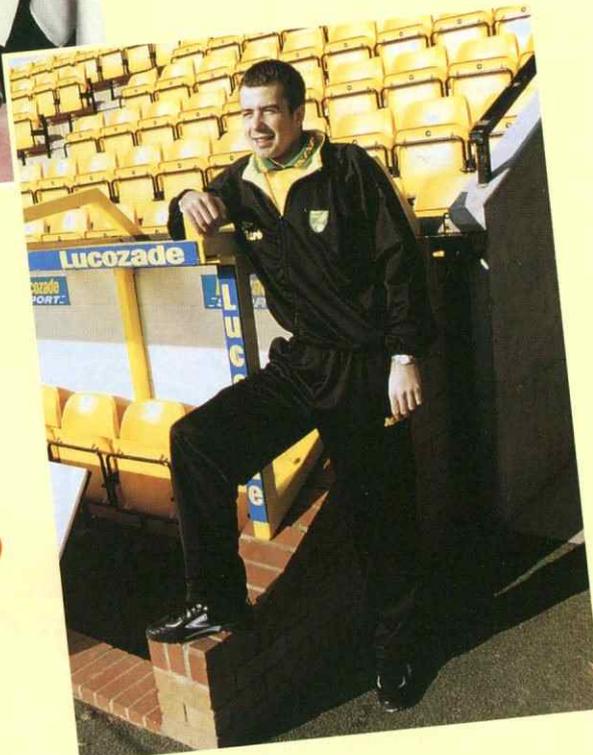
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**Huddersfield's Giddy Heights**

**Huddersfield Town's 1-0 victory at Watford last Saturday lifted them into second place in the Division One table, their highest position in 25 years. One of the unheralded teams in the promotion race, the Terriers remain on course for successive leaps from Division Two to the Premiership.**



Huddersfield boss Brian Horton is happy to sit back and assess his side's current form. 'Oh my God - is it really the best position the club has been in since 1971? Well that makes it all the better. It's a great feeling. 'I've just been telling my players they must enjoy this while they have the chance. 'Lots of people have been writing us off and don't fancy us to go up, but we're right in there - and winning games like this is vital.' Horton's view is backed by Watford's new striker Kerry Dixon. 'They have as good a chance as anybody right now. They are a hard side to break down.'

So the Terriers are on course for the Premiership in 1996 which would be their first season in the top flight since the days of Trevor Cherry, Frank Worthington, Jimmy Nicholson and David Lawson, how many of you can remember those far off days?

**Red Alert**

**Millwall are to be applauded for their audacious double swoop for Russian duo Sergei Yuran and Vasilii Kulkov, who made their debuts in Saturday's ignominious 2-1 home defeat at the hands of Port Vale.**

The Spartak Moscow players will not have appreciated their introduction into English football and hot on the heels of the public slanging match between Ruud Gullit and Vinnie Jones, comes further accusations from English players about the antics of their European counterparts.

Port Vale players Andy Porter and Andy Hill were extremely unhappy with Yuran in particular.

'I called Yuran a cheating sod because he went down looking for a free-kick. If he keeps diving about like that, he's going to get booked regularly,' said Porter.

'He then whacked me in the face, but I had no intention of making a meal of it.

'It's a shame so many of the foreigners are like that - they should

stop it.' Hill, who was booked for a foul on Yuran, had this to say, after the Russian was spoken to by the referee about his theatrical style.

'The ref booked me and then warned him for diving - I can't work it out.'

Anders Limpar, Jurgen Klinsmann and David Ginola all arrived on the English scene with the reputation of taking a tumble whenever possible to win a free-kick, but eventually, all three brought, and are still bringing, great skill to our domestic game. It is up to the match officials to stand firm against any deliberate 'diving', from our foreign 'imports' or English players, who cannot escape similar criticisms. A swift yellow card to the offender should soon eradicate such unnecessary actions.

**Get Carter**

**Portsmouth's ex-Millwall, Liverpool and Arsenal winger Jimmy Carter handed in a transfer request before Christmas and received a letter telling him it had been granted last Saturday. However, in the meantime both he and the club have discovered something like their best form and he is now keen to stay at Fratton Park.**

Carter's performance in Pompey's 3-1 home win against Grimsby, when he made two and scored one of the goals, should ensure that his request is now mutually cancelled.

'When I got the letter it really spurred me on. I had been disappointed in the way in which the manager kept substituting me and I felt I had to make a stand. But I have been thinking long and hard, and I want to stay.' >>>

**Endsleigh Division One Quiz**

- one** Only three ex-Norwich players started a Division One match last weekend, name them?
- two** Where was the largest attendance of last weekend's matches?
- three** Apart from Derby's Dean Sturridge, who was the only other player to score two goals last weekend?
- four** In last weekend's matches only two away teams failed to score, who were they?
- five** Which player scored both for and against his team last weekend?

Answers elsewhere on this page

**Adrian Williams**  
Keen to play in the Premiership



**Adrian's Ambition**

**READING'S Welsh international central defender Adrian Williams was none to impressed with his own, and his defensive colleague's displays at Derby last weekend. The Rams were good value for their 3-0 win, with striker Dean Sturridge helping himself to a second-half brace.**

'Sturridge proved lethal around the box but we stood off and watched him taking his pick. We left 20 or 30 yard gaps in our defence and that's just amateurish.'

Previously a transfer target for West Ham and Coventry, the accomplished Williams is keen to try his luck at the highest level soon, either with Reading or by virtue of a transfer.

'I've made no secret that I want to play Premiership football. At the moment I just want to help Reading get away from danger. But after that we will have to see how things progress from a personal point of view.'

That sort of comment should alert clubs to the forthcoming availability of one of the best young defenders currently plying his trade outside the Premiership.

His manager, Terry Fenwick, had this to say. 'If he plays like that he can put in as many transfer requests as he likes. I will be talking to him next week and I'm optimistic we can get something sorted.'

Pompey fans will be relieved to hear that.

**ANSWERS:** 1. Mark Roberts, Louie Donowa and Kenny Brown 2. West Brom v Wolves 27,642 3. Scott Dakes (Luton Town) 4. Reading at Derby and Leicester at Stoke 5. Birmingham City's Andy Edwards

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## On This Day 20th January

**BORN - 1906 WILLIAM SLACK** was born in Skegby near Nottingham. This speedy left-winger began his career at Blackpool, but made his league debut for Nelson. He then had spells with Portsmouth and Merthyr before joining Norwich in May 1930. He played 31 games for City, scoring twice, before moving to Mansfield in August 1932 where he went on to record 120 league appearances.

### 1906 Norwich City 2 Reading 3 Southern League

This was Norwich City's first ever home defeat in the Southern League which came despite two goals from Davie Ross. Right-back Fred Rose played his final game for the club as Reading deservedly took both points.

### 1909 Reading 1 Norwich City 1 FA Cup First Round Replay

This First Round replay was caused by a goalless draw in the original match which was played at Stamford Bridge because Reading objected to the size of the pitch at The Nest. Left-wingers Tommy Allsopp scored for City, who eventually went on to win the Second Replay, held at Villa Park, 3-2.

### 1912 Northampton Town 1 Norwich City 0 Southern League

Championship chasing Northampton sneaked a victory over the Canaries to avenge their 1-0 defeat at The Nest earlier in the season.

### 1923 Plymouth Argyle 1 Norwich City 1 Division Three (South)

Both goals came in the first-half of this top versus bottom clash. Sam Austin equalised for City to earn them an excellent point against high flying Argyle.

### 1934 Brighton & H.A. 1 Norwich City 1 Division Three (South)

Ken Burditt scored for the third league match in succession as City extended their unbeaten run to three games. The Canaries remained at the top of the table and were closing in on promotion to Division Two.

### 1951 Swindon Town 1 Norwich City 0 Division Three (South)

City named an unchanged side for the 21st successive game, but this defeat saw them slip to third place in the table. The home side were

on top throughout and only the brilliance of Ken Nethercott prevented Swindon from winning more comfortably. Bain scored Swindon's winner in the 42nd minute.

3,802 spectators were at Carrow Road to see City Reserves lose 2-0 to their Brentford counterparts.

### 1962 Norwich City 0 Rotherham Utd 1 Division Two

Joe Mullett was playing his first game of the season as Ron Ashman missed his first game since March 1959. City had the bulk of the possession but lacked a cutting edge and the visitors took advantage of hesitancy in the home rearguard to take a 38th minute lead through Weston. The 24,269 crowd, boosted by ticket sales for the forthcoming Ipswich cup-tie, were not impressed.

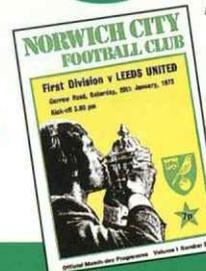
### 1968 Portsmouth 3 Norwich City 0 Division Two

Charlie Crickmore and Gerry Howshall made their Canary debuts in this heavy defeat at Fratton Park. Goals from McCann, Kellard and Pointer, in the 17th, 51st and 85th minutes respectively, ended City's spirited resistance. Norwich never gave up and deserved better from their performance.

C.N.S. Old Boys beat Wycombe Wanderers 1-0 in the FA Amateur Cup at Britannia Barracks, Linstead scored the goal.

### 1973 Norwich City 1 Leeds United 2 Division One

Norwich and Leeds met for the third time in a week, the two previous games were FA Cup ties and had ended 1-1. First-half goals from Joe Jordan and Allan Clarke put the visitors in control and despite some concerted Norwich pressure it was not until the 84th minute that David Cross pulled a goal back for the Canaries. In a rousing finale, Cross and Butler both went close to earning Norwich a point.



### SIGNED

**1949 WALTER ATKINSON** was signed from North East amateur side Hexham Hearts. A defensive right-half he only played one senior game for the Canaries, in a 1-0 home win against Southend in April 1952, and was later released to return to his native county.

**1986 RUEL FOX** signed professional forms for City after completing eighteen months of his apprenticeship. This very quick and tricky right winger was given his debut against Coventry in November 1986, in the same match as Bryan Gunn, and went on to play 219 senior games scoring 25 goals before his £2.25 million transfer to Newcastle United in February 1994. His elusive running skills thrilled the fans and he was an integral part in City's successful side of 1992-93.

Ruel Fox 219 appearances for Norwich >>>



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# Fan Say

## Kind Canaries

Dear Sir,  
On Boxing Day, 1995, my father and myself travelled from his home at Knodishall in Suffolk to watch City play Southend. As we were making our way back to my car in the car park behind the main stand my father tripped on a kerb and fell forward onto the road, cutting his head. An ambulance was called and my father was taken off to the Norfolk and Norwich Hospital where he was treated and I later drove him home.

Several people stopped to offer myself and my father assistance when he fell. One person rushed off to get the ambulance - with the help of a traffic warden who actually summoned it - whilst a lady and gentleman helped me get my father back on his feet and provided tissues to stop the bleeding and generally comfort my father.

I hope that you will publish this letter so that I can sincerely thank those people for the help they gave me and my father. Their actions were, of course, completely spontaneous and other than saying thank you to them I did not have the time and opportunity to take their names but I think that they were all City supporters. I am delighted to say that my father, who is 82, is well on the way to full recovery. The ambulance men and staff at the hospital, who deserve our thanks as well, found that he had grazed his forehead quite deeply but, thankfully, there was no concussion or broken bones and I was able to drive us both home at 7.00pm that evening.

On behalf of both myself and, more particularly, my father, a big thank you to those good people who took the time and trouble to stop and offer us help on a bitterly cold and wet evening.

Your sincerely,  
**Mr. Shaun Harbord**

## Wembley Fun Run

If any Norwich City fans are interested in taking part in the Brent 10,000M Road Race on Sunday March 3rd, which finishes inside Wembley Stadium please send for details to:

**John Hambleton, British Olympic Appeal Brent, Wembley Police Station, 603 Harrow Road, Wembley HA0 2HH.**

There are Junior Fun Runs too and a free T-Shirt for all entries received by February 18th. Go for it!

## Getting Friendly

Eleven year old Gary Cheeseman, who is the son of former part-time Box Office staff member Rosemary, is pictured here getting to know a new friend, following the Cheesman family's emmigration to Australia last spring. We keep Rosemary up to date by sending her all the home programmes, so we hope she enjoys seeing this picture of Gary.

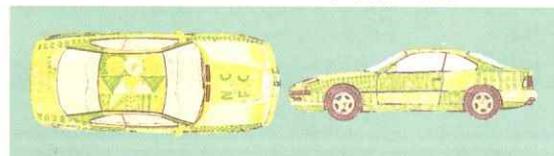


## Canary Car

These futuristic and colourful car designs were submitted to us by 14 year old Peter Egan from Scunthorpe.

We're not too sure how popular the design would be Peter, but everyone would certainly know which team you support.

NORWICH CITY'S OWN BMW BY PETER EGAN (14) SCUNTHORPE



## In The Family

This little girl is six months old Lily Rose Bagshaw, and as you can see, she is reading a Norwich City programme and already proudly wearing her favourite team's shirt.

Lily Rose is the granddaughter of former Norwich City scout Bob Bagshaw who now lives abroad and this photograph was sent to us by her proud father Andrew who lives in Beccles. We hope the family tradition of supporting the Canaries goes on for many years to come.

# Colney Chat

## John's Resolve

**One player to have seemingly benefitted from the recent managerial change at Carrow Road is central defender John Polston, whose recent performances in the First Team have been outstanding.**

'It's been nice to be involved again. For whatever reason Martin O'Neill didn't really 'fancy' me and that is the first time in my career that has happened. There is not much you can do about it except give it your best all the time to try and prove that you are good enough to be in the side'.

On the couple of occasions that John did win Martin O'Neill's nod of approval, injury struck him down.

'Twice I got back into the side and each time a calf injury forced me to rest, leaving me back at square one again. Spencer and Jon have been playing well which has obviously made it hard for me to win back my place'.



John's defensive versatility has helped him to gain a place on several occasions.

'I've played all across the defensive line and as part of a four man or five man defence. We all prefer a 'flat' back-four but obviously we play as the manager wants us to'.

A superb defensive display at Sunderland certainly attracted a fair share of the plaudits for City's win.

'All that counts is to be back in the team. It was a tough game at Sunderland, but I felt we were pretty solid. All I can do now is to play as well as I can and make it hard for the boss to leave me out in the future'.

A fully fit Canary squad will certainly present Gary Megson with some ticklish selection problems, none more so than at the heart of the City rearguard where all three major contenders for the positions are all playing so well.

## A Lucky Omen

**City Youth's 2-1 FA Youth Cup victory against Burnley last Monday earned them the exciting prospect of a Fourth Round tie at Manchester United. By coincidence, Dave Stringer's 1983 Cup winning side also visited Old Trafford in Round Four, an occasion fondly remembered by the only player from that team still at Carrow Road, Jeremy Goss.**

'We had an excellent side at that time and won everything that season, but at that time the visit to Old Trafford was the biggest moment of our lives.

'I remember we received a lot of encouragement from the senior pro's and the press and we enjoyed the big build up. We all set out to enjoy it, but better than that, we won 1-0 with a goal from Louie Donowa. The whole game passed by so quickly, but it remains one of the highlights of my career'.

Victories over Luton and Everton eventually brought the FA Youth Cup to Carrow Road and Jerry has this advice for the current Under 18 squad.

'Just go there and enjoy it. Be positive and go for the win, don't be scared of the stadium or overawed by the opposition, just believe you can go on to win the trophy.

'It is an occasion to savour and something they can always look back on. I'm sure they will give a good account of themselves'.

A repeat scoreline would certainly be a superb achievement, but win or lose, Keith Webb's young charges have already enjoyed an excellent season and several of the squad look set for a rosy future in the professional game.

# Our Flexible Friend

**In recent matches City boss Gary Megson has opted to use the talents of two of the most exciting young wingers in the game today in the same side. Unfortunately for Gary both Keith O'Neill and Darren Eadie are, by preference, left-wingers. It has been the slightly more experienced of the two, Darren, who has been asked to play on the right flank.**

'I don't mind playing there at all. It should suit me in some ways because I can come in off the wing to shoot with my stronger left foot.

'At Sunderland last week I tried to go on the outside a couple of times early on, but it didn't come off. I just need the confidence to keep plugging away'.

Two goals at Huddersfield created by Darren's so called 'weaker' foot, proved that the England Under 21 international can be a real menace on his 'wrong' wing.

'At least it keeps the full-back guessing, he can't really afford to show me inside and the by-line is where I want to go, so I don't mind'.

The Canaries are certainly blessed to have two such naturally gifted performers who if they can be harnessed together successfully, will torment the very best of defences for several seasons to come.

# Bloodied Hero

**For the second time this season City striker Ashley Ward ended a match with a nasty looking cut to his head, as the Canaries returned home with all three points from last Sunday's visit to Sunderland.**

'It is a different cut to the one I had against Ipswich. It is more at the back of my head and not nearly so bad, it needed three stitches this time.

'It happened in the first minute of the game, I think I clashed with Andy Melville, but it didn't really distract me that much. It looked worse as the game went on because the bleeding didn't stop until the stitches were inserted'.

As against Ipswich, Ashley's bravery was rewarded with a very welcome three points, on this occasion courtesy of a very well taken goal from the City number nine.

'It's always nice to score goals and that was my twelfth of the season which considering I missed a few games early on isn't a bad total at this stage. All I can do is keep getting in the right positions and if I do that, I will score my fair share.

The win at Sunderland is hopefully the springboard to better things for Ashley and his colleagues.

'We've been playing reasonably well lately and not getting the results we feel we have deserved, so it was nice to stop the rot at Roker Park against probably one of the best teams in the league'.

Consistency is the key which Norwich will hope to find over the next few matches and if Ashley can find the net a time or two that aim will be made that much easier.

*Ashley Ward in action against Tranmere earlier this season*



# FOULS, BAD FOULS AND EVEN WORSE FOULS

**PLAYERS - and especially skilful players - must be protected from being unfairly damaged. For players, the consequences of foul tackles are injuries, pain, months out of the game and, in some cases, total loss of career. Even worse, occasionally, permanent disablement.**

The correct application of Law Twelve (Fouls and Misconduct) in every match is, therefore, of prime concern.

For years, match officials have had to make an enlightened guess concerning the true 'intention' of a player in making a challenge. The words 'intention' or 'intentionally' figured prominently in the Law. Now the terminology is easier to understand, with unfair pushes, trips and kicks, etc, being judged in terms of whether they are seen, in the context of a game, as being merely careless, decidedly reckless or involving an excessive amount of force.

In each case, the basic punishment for the offender will be the award against him

of a direct free kick (or a penalty kick) but the direct free kick may also be supplemented with a further punishment of a caution (yellow card) or dismissal (red card) depending on the perceived nature and intensity of the unfair attack.

A simple trip will result in a free kick; seen to be sufficient punishment for the crime. However, a reckless trip might be considered to be not sufficiently punished by a free kick alone. A Referee may, therefore, deem such a challenge to be a case of ungentlemanly conduct too, deserving additionally of a caution for this further offence. Even more extreme would be the wild, brutal, excessively violent trip, as committed (thankfully, only rarely) by a

harassed defender, racing from behind a speedy, skilful attacker. For such an unacceptable violation, the offender, guilty clearly also of serious foul play, must be dismissed from the field.

Some time ago, a prominent Coach observed that while good, competitive tackling is a very important part of football, tackling requires great judgement, precise timing and intense concentration to take the ball away fairly from an opponent. How true are those views! Carelessness, recklessness and excessive force and brutality in making challenges can only lead to fouls, bad fouls and even worse fouls. Referees must ensure that players are protected from unfair behaviour by applying the sanctions offered by Law Twelve firmly and swiftly for the benefit of all in and who watch our national sport.

**KEN RIDDEN**  
The Football Association

# Norwich City

## facts and statistics

### Endsleigh League Division One League Table 1995-96

(up to and including 14th January 1996)

	HOME					AWAY					Avge.		
	P	W	D	L	F	A	W	D	L	F	A	Pts	Att.
Derby County	26	9	4	1	28	11	5	3	4	16	18	49	12,853
Charlton Athletic	25	5	5	2	17	14	6	4	3	18	13	42	10,155
Huddersfield Town	27	8	2	3	25	15	3	6	5	12	17	41	13,900
Stoke City	26	5	5	3	16	10	5	4	4	21	22	39	11,295
Leicester City	25	4	3	4	18	18	6	5	3	22	18	38	16,326
<b>Norwich City</b>	<b>27</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>23</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>38</b>	<b>15,468</b>
Birmingham City	25	6	5	2	22	16	4	3	5	15	18	38	18,579
Sunderland	23	6	3	2	19	8	4	5	3	11	12	38	16,106
Southend United	26	7	4	2	17	12	3	4	6	12	19	38	5,511
Grimsey Town	25	5	7	1	16	11	4	3	5	15	19	37	5,804
Barnsley	26	6	4	2	17	15	3	5	6	17	26	36	8,698
Millwall	26	4	4	6	13	16	5	5	2	14	16	36	9,678
Ipswich Town	25	6	4	3	28	20	2	6	4	17	17	34	11,252
Tranmere Rovers	24	6	4	3	24	14	3	3	5	11	13	34	7,799
Crystal Palace	24	2	6	3	13	15	6	3	4	18	17	33	13,953
Portsmouth	27	6	4	4	26	19	2	4	7	17	25	32	9,209
Oldham Athletic	25	5	5	3	21	13	2	5	5	13	16	31	6,588
Port Vale	26	3	3	6	15	19	4	5	5	17	20	29	8,156
Reading	25	5	3	4	18	17	1	7	5	13	19	28	8,713
Wolves	25	3	6	4	16	17	2	4	6	14	19	25	24,291
WBA	25	5	2	6	15	16	2	2	8	13	25	25	15,601
Watford	24	3	5	4	15	13	2	4	6	12	18	24	8,533
Sheffield United	25	3	3	6	15	19	2	4	7	17	25	22	11,779
Luton Town	24	3	4	6	18	21	2	3	6	4	16	22	7,045

### First Team Appearances and Goalscorers 1995-96

Name	League Apps	League Goals	C.C.C. Apps.	C.C.C. Goals	FA Cup Apps.	FA Cup Goals
Neil Adams	21 (2)	2	3 (1)	0	1	0
Ade Akinbiyi	8 (7)	2	2 (1)	2	-	-
Mark Bowen	26	2	5	0	1	0
Carl Bradshaw	3 (1)	0	2	0	1	0
Shaun Carey	4 (1)	0	2 (1)	0	-	-
Ian Crook	11 (1)	0	4	1	-	-
Jamie Cureton	0 (1)	0	-	-	-	-
Darren Eadie	17 (1)	2	5 (1)	1	0 (1)	0
Robert Fleck	22 (1)	8	4 (2)	2	1	0
Jeremy Goss	1 (1)	-	-	-	1	0
Bryan Gunn	25	0	6	0	1	0
Andy Johnson	19	7	3	1	-	-
Andy Marshall	2	0	1	0	-	-
Mike Milligan	7 (7)	0	4	0	-	-
Jan Molby	2	0	1	0	-	-
Danny Mills	7	0	1 (2)	1	-	-
Rob Newman	0 (6)	0	2	0	-	-
Jon Newsome	25	4	5	0	1	1
Keith O'Neill	9 (1)	0	3 (1)	0	1	0
John Polston	10 (3)	0	4	0	1	0
Spencer Prior	25 (1)	0	5 (1)	0	0 (1)	0
Matthew Rush	0 (1)	0	-	-	-	-
Keith Scott	3 (5)	2	0 (2)	0	-	-
Mike Sheron	2 (5)	1	2	2	-	-
Karl Simpson	1	0	1	0	-	-
Daryl Sutcliffe	7 (4)	0	2	0	0 (1)	0
Robert Ullathorne	19 (3)	0	5 (1)	1	1	0
Ashley Ward	21	9	5	3	1	0
Own Goals	-	-	-	1	-	-

### Endsleigh League Division One Leading League Goalscorers 1995-96

John Aldridge	Tranmere Rovers	14	Chris Malkin	Millwall	9
Iwan Roberts	Leicester City	13	Ian Marshall	Ipswich Town	9
Dean Sturridge	Derby County	13	Sean McCarthy	Oldham Athletic	9
Nathan Blake	Sheffield United	11	Ian Moore	Tranmere Rovers	9
Don Goodman	Wolverhampton W.	11	Ashley Ward	Norwich City	9
Alex Mathie	Ipswich Town	11	Steve Bull	Wolverhampton W.	8
Marco Gabbiadini	Derby County	10	Steve Claridge	Birmingham City	8
Kevin Phillips	Watford	10	Robert Fleck	Norwich City	8
Ron Willems	Derby County	10	Dougie Freedman	Crystal Palace	8
Andy Booth	Huddersfield Town	9	Nigel Gleghorn	Stoke City	8
Andy Hunt	W.B.A.	9	Ronnie Jepson	Huddersfield Town	8
Jonathan Hunt	Birmingham City	9			

Date	Opponents	F-A	Att.	Pts
Aug. 13	Luton	3-1	7,848	3
19	Sunderland	0-0	16,739	4
26	Birmingham City	1-3	19,267	4
30	Oldham Athletic	2-1	14,816	7
Sept. 2	Port Vale	2-1	13,908	10
9	Sheffield United	1-2	11,205	10
13	Wolverhampton Wanderers	2-0	27,064	13
16	Millwall	0-0	15,962	14
20	Torquay Utd (C.C. Cup R2 1L)	§ 6-1	7,542	-
23	Grimsey Town	2-2	5,901	15
30	Leicester City	0-1	18,435	15
Oct. 4	Torquay Utd (C.C. Cup R2 2L)	3-2	1,790	-
7	Stoke City	1-1	12,106	16
14	Barnsley	3-1	14,002	19
21	Charlton Athletic	1-1	13,369	20
25	Bradford City (C.C.C. R3)	0-0	11,649	-
29	Tranmere Rovers	1-1	15,513	21
4	Huddersfield Town	2-3	13,747	21
Nov. 7	Bradford City (C.C.C. R3 Rep)	5-3aet	8,665	-
11	Crystal Palace	1-0	14,156	24
19	Ipswich Town	2-1	17,862	27
21	West Bromwich Albion	4-1	13,680	30
26	Watford	2-0	7,798	33
29	Bolton Wanderers (C.C.C. R4)	0-0	13,820	-
Dec. 2	Stoke City	0-1	15,707	33
9	Grimsey Town	2-2	13,283	34
17	Leicester City	2-3	14,251	34
20	Bolton W. (C.C.C. R4 Rep)	§ 3-2 pens	0-0aet	8,736
23	Portsmouth	0-1	9,960	34
26	Southend United	0-1	17,029	34
30	Reading	3-3	13,556	35
Jan. 1	Derby County	1-2	16,714	35
6	Brentford (FACup R3)	1-2	10,082	-
10	Birmingham City (C.C.C. R5)	1-1	13,028	-
14	Sunderland	1-0	14,983	38
20	Luton Town			
24	Birmingham City (C.C.C. R5 Rep)			
Feb. 4	Birmingham City			
10	Oldham Athletic			
14	(Coca-Cola Cup S-F 1L)			
17	Wolverhampton W. (F.A. Cup 5)			
20	Port Vale			
21	(Coca-Cola Cup S-F 2L)			
24	Millwall			
28	Sheffield United			
Mar. 2	Southend United			
9	Portsmouth (F.A. Cup 6)			
16	Reading			
23	Derby County			
24	(Coca-Cola Cup Final)			
30	Charlton Ath. (F.A. Cup Semi-Final)			
Apr. 2	Barnsley			
6	Tranmere Rovers			
8	Huddersfield Town			
13	Ipswich Town			
20	West Bromwich Albion			
27	Watford			
May 4	Crystal Palace			
11	FA Cup Final			

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### Man in the Middle

CLIVE WILKES began his refereeing career in his local Gloucestershire leagues in 1974, progressing through the various levels to reach the Football League list in 1990.

He took charge of last season's Second Division Play-Off Final at Wembley between Huddersfield and Bristol Rovers and has also run the line in UEFA Cup matches.

Clive is a Car Trader by profession and his hobbies include conservation, DIY, all sports and martial arts.

We hope Clive enjoys his visit to Carrow Road.

	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14
Gunn Mills	Bowen	Milligan	Newsome	Prior	Adams	Akinbiyi	Ward	Johnson	Eadie	Polston	Ullathorne	Sutch	Sutch	Sutch
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Gunn Sutch	Bowen	Ullathorne	Newsome	Polston	Adams	Fleck	Ward	Johnson	Eadie	Sheron	Prior	Carey	Carey	Carey
Gunn Sutch	Bowen	Ullathorne	Newsome	Polston	Adams	Fleck	Ward	Johnson	Eadie	Sheron	Prior	Carey	Carey	Carey
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Gunn Mills	Bowen	Crook	Newsome	Prior	Adams	Fleck	Ward	Johnson	Eadie	Akinbiyi	Ullathorne	Milligan	Milligan	Milligan
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Marshall Sutch	Bowen	Crook	Newsome	Prior	Simpson	Sheron	Akinbiyi2	Johnson	Eadie	Mills	O'Neill	Carey	Carey	Carey
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Marshall Ullathorne	Bowen	Crook	Newsome	Prior	Adams	Fleck	Akinbiyi	Johnson	Eadie	Polston	O'Neill	Sheron	Sheron	Sheron
Oct. 4	Torquay Utd (C.C. Cup R2 2L)	3-2	1,790	-	Gunn Mills	Ullathorne	Carey	Newman	Polston	Adams	Fleck	Akinbiyi	Johnson	O'Neill
7	Stoke City	1-1	12,106	16	Gunn Ullathorne	Bowen	Crook	Newsome	Prior	Adams	Fleck	Akinbiyi	Johnson	O'Neill
14	Barnsley	3-1	14,002	19	Gunn Ullathorne	Bowen	Crook	Newsome	Prior	Simpson	Fleck	Ward	Johnson	O'Neill
21	Charlton Athletic	1-1	13,369	20	Gunn Ullathorne	Bowen	Crook	Newsome	Prior	Milligan	Eadie	Ward	Johnson	O'Neill
25	Bradford City (C.C.C. R3)	0-0	11,649	-	Gunn Ullathorne	Bowen	Crook	Newsome	Prior	Eadie	Fleck	Ward	Johnson	O'Neill
29	Tranmere Rovers	1-1	15,513	21	Gunn Ullathorne	Bowen	Crook	Newsome	Prior	Mills	Akinbiyi	Ward2	Johnson	Eadie
4	Huddersfield Town	2-3	13,747	21	Gunn Ullathorne	Bowen	Crook	Newsome	Prior	Mills	Akinbiyi	Ward2	Johnson	Eadie
Nov. 7	Bradford City (C.C.C. R3 Rep)	5-3aet	8,665	-	Gunn Bradshaw	Ullathorne	Crook	Newman	Prior	Milligan	Fleck	Ward3	Johnson	Eadie
11	Crystal Palace	1-0	14,156	24	Gunn Bradshaw	Ullathorne	Crook	Newsome	Prior	Bowen	Fleck	Ward	Johnson	Eadie
19	Ipswich Town	2-1	17,862	27	Gunn Bradshaw	Ullathorne	Adams	Newsome	Prior	Bowen	Fleck	Ward	Milligan	O'Neill
21	West Bromwich Albion	4-1	13,680	30	Gunn Sutch	Ullathorne	Polston	Newsome	Prior	Bowen	Fleck	Ward	Scott	Adams
26	Watford	2-0	7,798	33	Gunn Sutch	Ullathorne	Polston	Newsome	Prior	Bowen	Fleck	Ward	Scott	Adams



# Match Line Ups



## NORWICH CITY

		1995-96 LEAGUE		CAREER LEAGUE	
		APPS	GOALS	APPS	GOALS
1	BRYAN GUNN	25	0	329	0
2	CARL BRADSHAW	4	0	220	14
3	MARK BOWEN	26	2	332	26
4	JAN MOLBY	8	0	226	44
5	JOHN POLSTON	13	0	180	7
6	SPENCER PRIOR	26	0	191	3
7	NEIL ADAMS	23	2	260	32
8	ROBERT FLECK (CAPT.)	24	8	224	53
9	ASHLEY WARD	21	9	124	45
10	DARREN EADIE	18	2	59	7
11	KEITH O'NEILL	10	0	11	0



LADBROKES FIRST GOALSCORERS	
28/1	40/1
33/1	40/1
12/1	40/1
33/1	25/1
33/1	33/1
14/1	8/1
6/1	10/1
9/2	8/1
11/1	33/1
12/1	12/1

## LUTON TOWN

		1995-96 LEAGUE		CAREER LEAGUE	
		APPS	GOALS	APPS	GOALS
1	IAN FEUER	17	0	33	0
2	JULIAN JAMES	14	0	207	12
3	MITCHELL THOMAS	5	0	363	11
4	GARY WADDOCK	16	0	394	12
5	STEVE DAVIS (CAPT.)	20	2	200	24
6	MARVIN JOHNSON	23	0	189	4
7	BONTCHO GUENTCHEV	16	3	77	9
8	SCOTT OAKES	13	3	160	27
9	JOHN TAYLOR	12	0	312	104
10	GRAHAM ALEXANDER	18	0	177	18
11	TONY THORPE	12	1	30	2

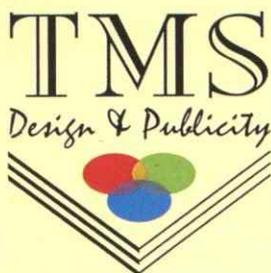
### TODAY'S OFFICIALS

Referee: C.R. Wilkes (Gloucester)  
 Linemen: D.G. Downs (Basingstoke) Quartered Flag  
 M. Thorpe (Woodbridge) Yellow Flag  
 Reserve Official: A Sayer (Kings Lynn)

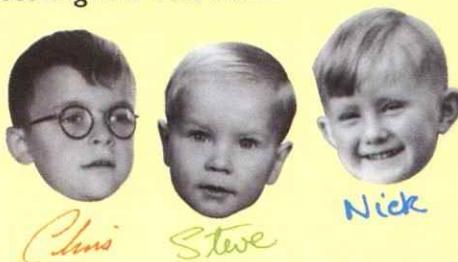
### COMING SOON

Wed 31st Jan Avon Insurance Combination v Crystal Palace Kick-off 7.30pm  
 Sat 3rd Feb South East Counties League v Portsmouth (Colney) Kick-off 11.00am  
 Sun 4th Feb Endsleigh League Division One v Birmingham City Kick-off 3.00pm

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