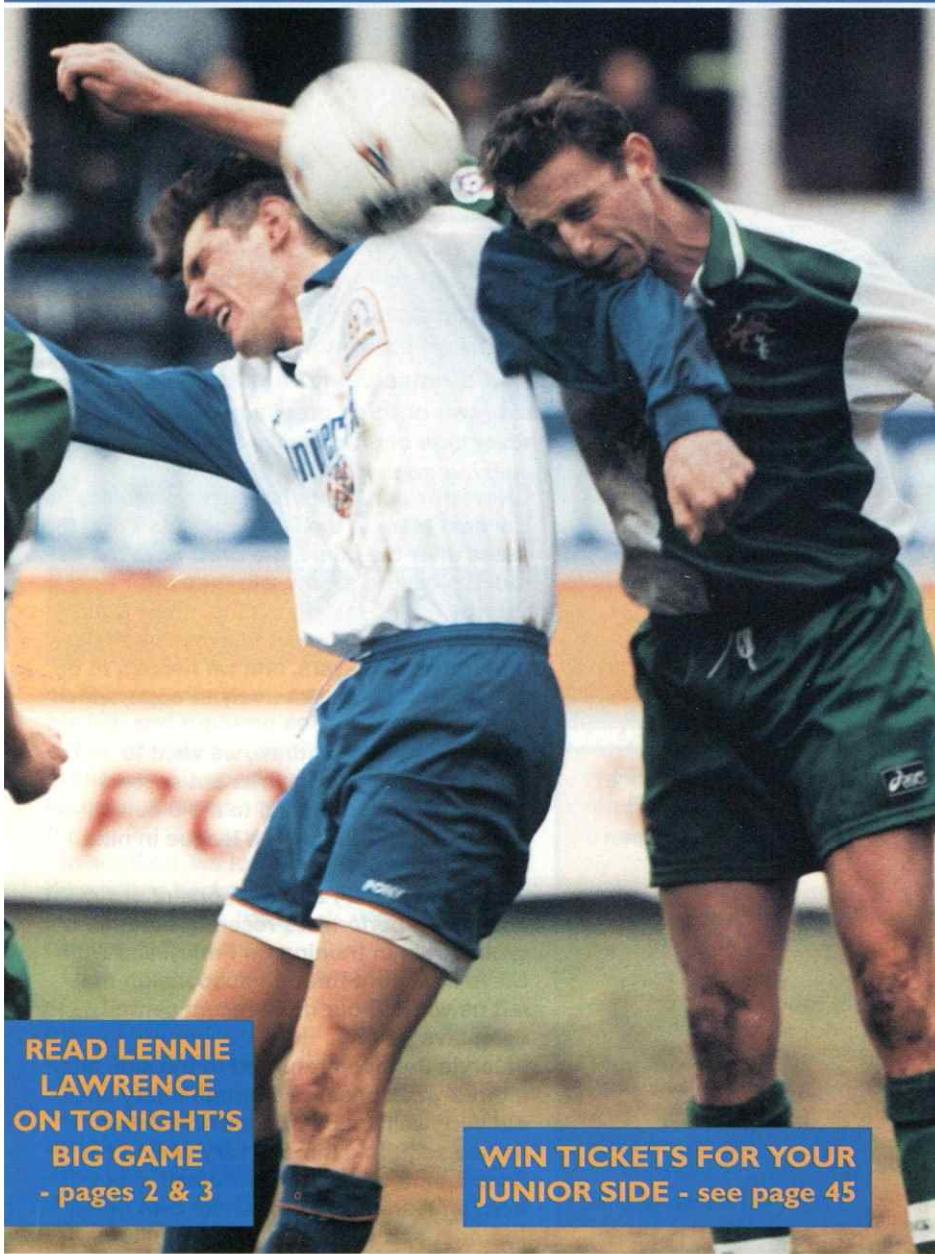


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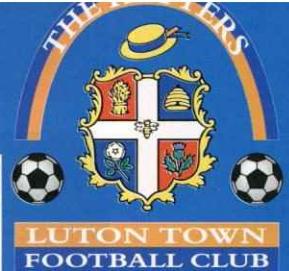


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THE DRAW AT DERBY GAVE ME AS MUCH PLEASURE AS ANY WIN

OUR last two away performances saw us experience contrasting fortunes, starting with a well deserved draw against Derby when our tactical plan worked extremely well and the players worked themselves to a standstill.

Ian Feuer made two or three great saves, and we were able to take advantage of a defensive error by Derby to score the equalising goal.

Nevertheless, Derby are, in my opinion, the best team in the league and as I told the press after the game, the draw gave me as much pleasure as any win thus far.

Derby are physically strong, show good passing and movement between midfield and the front players, and we needed to be at our very best defensively to cope, which we were.

As a result of that draw, we went to Sunderland in good spirits but several pieces of misfortune led to a 1-0 defeat, which was our first in the league in nine games.

Initially, Darren Patterson, one of our most consistent performers recently, suffered a groin strain in training on Friday, and with Steve Davis out through suspension that left us without our most recent central defensive pairing.

Marvin Johnson returned to the side after a three-week absence through injury and did very well considering, whilst Julian James acquitted himself very well to his unaccustomed role at centre-half, apart from an extremely unfortunate own goal.

Sunderland never really looked like scoring, and we restricted them to two or three half chances. With a little more composure in front of goal, and good fortune, in the last five minutes we might have come away with something.

It was a day when fortune did not favour us, and indeed the most obvious illustration of this was the injury to Dwight Marshall which resulted in him having an operation

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ABOVE: Derby left-back Chris Powell gets back to clear the ball from inside his own six-yard box, after his back-pass had beaten keeper Russell Hoult to almost give Luton the lead in the closing stages of last Wednesday's 1-1 draw at the Baseball Ground.

on Sunday afternoon on a broken bone in his leg, and ruptured ankle ligaments.

This will rule him out for the rest of the season and beyond, but he may be fit to resume when we start pre-season training for the 96/97 campaign.

In addition, we lost Ceri Hughes at half-time with a back problem, and Richard Harvey just after the break after a bad blow on the ankle.

Combine these with various other minor knocks and bruises and I thought the players showed great spirit in the latter stages to try and save the game.

My only criticism was that we started too slowly, and possibly this was a result of our efforts at Derby.

But I can certainly say that we have in the last week acquitted ourselves very well against the sides currently first and third in this division, and have not been outplayed or outbattled.

This evening we welcome Reading, their players, officials and supporters.

Reading narrowly missed out on promotion to the Premier League last season, but have found life harder this term and we expect a tight game.

The biggest consideration for us is the

number of players unavailable through injury and suspension, and it may be close to kick-off before we can finalise the team.

The depth in our squad will be tested to even greater effect in the next two games, and players who have not featured of late may come in.

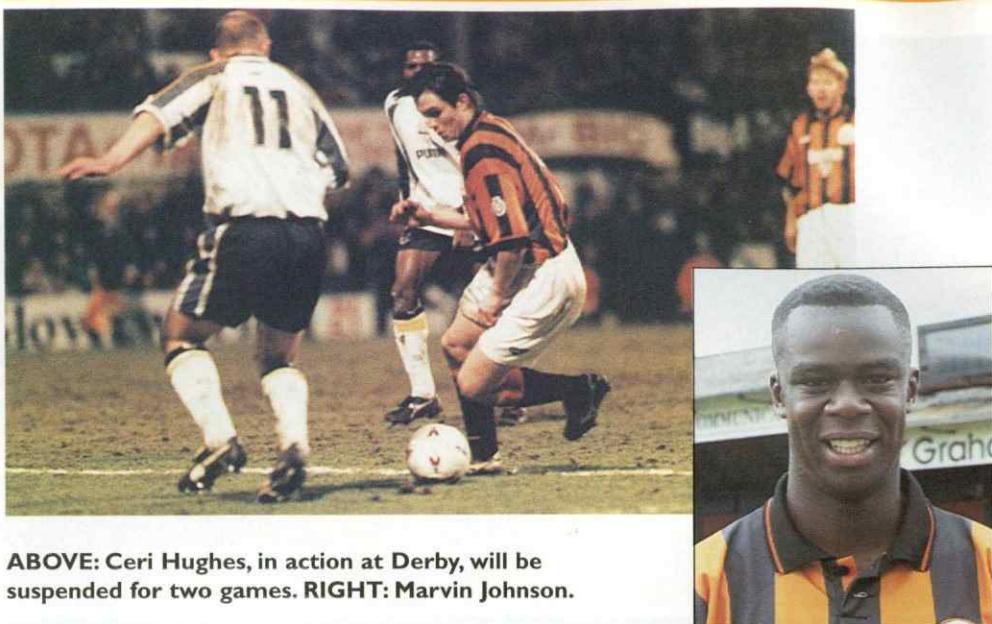
When you lose one game it is important not to lose the next, and if we can get two wins this week from our home games with Reading and Crystal Palace then I believe we will be two-thirds of the way to safety, and the spirit and commitment fostered in recent weeks will hold us in good stead.

The players have shown massive commitment and effort, and in some ways I am not sorry about possible postponements due to the cup commitments of others.

But the physical effort and commitment must be maintained if we are to show that the defeat at Sunderland was only a minor setback.

Please get behind the team this evening, especially as there may be some relatively new and unfamiliar faces in the team.

AROUND THE TOWN



ABOVE: Ceri Hughes, in action at Derby, will be suspended for two games. RIGHT: Marvin Johnson.

Injury agony for Hatters' leading scorer Marshall

LUTON Town's leading scorer Dwight Marshall will miss the rest of the season after suffering a severe ankle injury during Saturday's defeat at Sunderland, writes SIMON OXLEY.

Marshall was stretchered off midway through the second half after falling awkwardly in a tackle by Andy Melville, and had an operation on Sunday on a broken bone in his leg and ruptured ankle ligaments.

The striker was Luton's leading scorer last season with 13 goals, and has also bagged 13 in the current campaign.

The defeat was Luton's first in the league under Lennie Lawrence, with an unfortunate own goal from Julian James after 38 minutes proving decisive. James was playing in the centre of defence, with the injured Darren Patterson joining the suspended Steve Davis on the sidelines.

But Sunderland had on-loan keeper Shay Given to thank for securing them the three points which kept them third in Division One.

Given, on loan from Blackburn, has replaced ex-Hatter Alec Chamberlain in the Sunderland goal,

and made key saves from Marshall after six minutes; from David Oldfield just before half-time; and twice from John Taylor with three minutes remaining. Norwegian striker Vidar Riseth, who replaced Marshall, had a chance to equalise in injury-time, but shot wide.

Sunderland: Given, Kubicki, Scott, Bracewell, Ball, Melville, M Gray, Ord, Russell, Howey (Bridges), Cooke. Subs not used: Agnew, Hall.

Luton: Feuer, James, Thomas, Waddock, Oldfield, Johnson, Guentchev, Hughes (Thorpe), Marshall (Riseth), Alexander, Harvey (Taylor).

Action pictures from the game at Sunderland, will appear in Saturday's Crystal Palace programme.

- Luton midfielder Ceri Hughes will be suspended for two matches, starting this Saturday, following his sending off against Millwall.

- Saturday's reserve team game against Ipswich, at Kenilworth Road, was postponed due to a waterlogged pitch.

- Reading were yesterday expected to sign midfielder Darren Caskey from Spurs, for £700,000.

FRONT COVER: John Taylor and Millwall captain Keith Stevens challenge for possession during our 1-0 defeat of the Lions at Kenilworth Road, last Saturday.

Picture: ANDY HANDLEY

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LEADING THE LINE

by Club Captain STEVE DAVIS



LEFT: Tony Thorpe takes a tumble during the 1-0 win against Millwall.

A TWO-match suspension means I will be sitting out this evening's game against Reading, having also missed the trip to Sunderland on Saturday.

That was a real disappointment to miss the trip to play my hometown club, and it's the second year in a row I've missed out on Roker Park.

I was suspended last season when Burnley played there, so who says lightning doesn't strike twice!

I watched Sunderland as a schoolboy, and I have always wanted to play at Roker Park. But once again it was a place in the stands, and hopefully the lads continued this excellent run.

Schools test for Euro 96

EURO 96 isn't just going to be a test of football skills, it will also be an examination in geography, history, art and design, music and foreign languages.

At least it will be for schools who have entered their class in a competition to celebrate this summer's European Championships.

The project, initiated by the Football Association and the National Union of Teachers with the support of Euro 96 official sponsors, Canon UK and Phillips Electronics, brings together the football theme with European awareness and will involve thousands of pupils in England and Wales.

The aim of the competition is to help young people develop their interest and understanding of the competing countries and also to create, through cross-curricular work, more positive attitudes towards the people of Europe.

Schools have been invited to enter one class to produce a piece of work on the theme of Euro 96 ranging from written work to design and music which relates to the country of their choice. The winners will receive Final tickets, plus products from Canon and Phillips.

These notes are being written after our draw at Derby, which was a result we were all very pleased with. It was another solid defensive display from the whole team, with Ian Feuer making some excellent saves. I think Igor Stimac must still be wondering how Ian kept his header out!

We were disappointed to concede a goal just after half-time, but then Dwight had an opportunity to equalise and took it very well. Derby are a good side, and a draw at the Baseball Ground is no mean feat. They look as though they will go up, but as Lennie Lawrence said when he arrived at the club, we have to show promotion form to lift ourselves away from the bottom.

We are certainly doing that, and the next two games are very important in that process. At the time of writing Reading are below us, and I'm looking forward to getting back on the field against Palace on Saturday.

The spirit in the dressing room is excellent at present. The lads showed great character to beat Millwall after being reduced to 10 men, as we did at Southend earlier this season, and in the draw against Huddersfield after I was shown the red card.

Let's carry on this run and move clear of the danger area. We can't afford to relax for a moment though, and there are plenty of teams still looking anxiously over their shoulders.

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

FROM THE SECRETARY'S CHAIR with Cherry Newbery

THE on-going fixture chaos continues to involve Luton Town, with several of our forthcoming opponents involved in rearranged FA Cup and Anglo-Italian Cup games.

The match at Port Vale on Tuesday, March 5, a week tonight, has been postponed because Port Vale will now be playing the second leg of their 'English' Anglo-Italian Cup Final against West Brom.

Port Vale's position has been complicated by their FA Cup run, which has also involved a number of replays.

At the time of writing we were trying to organise a new date, and I will also remind you that if Port Vale reach the final at Wembley, then our home game against them on March 16 will also be postponed.

Tomorrow, Huddersfield play their FA Cup fifth round replay against Wimbledon at Selhurst Park. If Huddersfield progress to the sixth round, then

Come on you Hatters, we need you to get behind LES MILLER, our club runner for the Flora London Marathon's Football Challenge on April 21.

Les will be lining up on the startline with runners from 100 other football clubs from the FA Carling Premiership, Endsleigh and Scottish Premier leagues to tackle the 26.2 mile course.

The Flora London Marathon will award a prize to the winning runner from each football league and to the club runner who raises the most for charity.

Can you help Les in his fundraising efforts? Please contact Simon Oxley, at Luton Town Football Club.

our trip to Yorkshire on March 9 will be postponed.

I appreciate there is relatively short notice for many of these postponements, but we will do our best to keep you informed of any new dates via the local newspapers, radio stations and on our own ClubCall service.

Reserve team games are now back at Kenilworth Road until further notice, and there are still several Avon Insurance Combination games to be rearranged.

The youth team will finally play their Eastern Junior Floodlit Cup game against Cambridge City on Tuesday, March 26, kick-off 7.30pm here at Kenilworth Road.

LTFC require a matchday car park supervisor to start work as soon as possible. For further details, please contact Cherry Newbery, here at the club, on (01582) 411622.

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

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

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

OFFERS are invited for an autographed football, signed by Luton's Littlewoods Cup winning squad of 1988 - a special momento of a memorable day for Hatters fans.

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Sat Mar 9	Huddersfield Town	£10.00	£8.00	8.45am	9.45am
Tue Mar 19	Crystal Palace	£5.50	£4.50	3.30pm	4.30pm
Sat Mar 23	Sheffield United	£9.50	£7.50	9.30am	10.30am

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

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

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



LUTON TOWN TICKET OFFICE NEWS

Luton Town v Crystal Palace

ENDSLEIGH LEAGUE DIVISION ONE

Saturday, March 2, 1996, kick-off 3pm

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

Port Vale v Luton Town

ENDSLEIGH LEAGUE DIVISION ONE

Tuesday, March 5, 1996, kick-off 7.45pm

THIS GAME HAS NOW BEEN POSTPONED DUE TO PORT VALE'S ANGLO-ITALIAN CUP COMMITMENTS. A NEW DATE WILL BE ANNOUNCED SHORTLY.

Huddersfield Town v Luton Town

ENDSLEIGH LEAGUE DIVISION ONE

Saturday, March 9, 1996, kick-off 3pm

PLEASE NOTE: This fixture may be re-arranged due to Huddersfield's involvement in the FA Cup.

Pay on the day only at Huddersfield. Seats only for Luton supporters, priced at £9 for adults and £5 for juniors and senior citizens. (The Kenilworth Road ticket office will be open on Saturday, March 9, from 9 to 10.30am for the sale of other match tickets).

Luton Town v Port Vale

ENDSLEIGH LEAGUE DIVISION ONE

Saturday, March 16, 1996, kick-off 3pm

PLEASE NOTE: This fixture may be re-arranged due to Port Vale's involvement in the Anglo-Italian Cup.

Tickets for this match are now on sale at the discounted price. Normal guesting facilities apply.

Crystal Palace v Luton Town

ENDSLEIGH LEAGUE DIVISION ONE

Tuesday, March 19, 1996, kick-off 7.45pm

Pay on the night only at Crystal Palace, at the Away Ticket Office which is situated next to the away turnstiles. Seats only for Luton supporters, priced at £14 for adults and £5 for juniors/seniors.

Tickets already purchased for the previous dates of 26.12.95 or 27.1.96 are valid for the re-arranged game. You can however claim a full refund by returning the tickets to the place of purchase by Monday, March 18, 1996.

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Huddersfield Town

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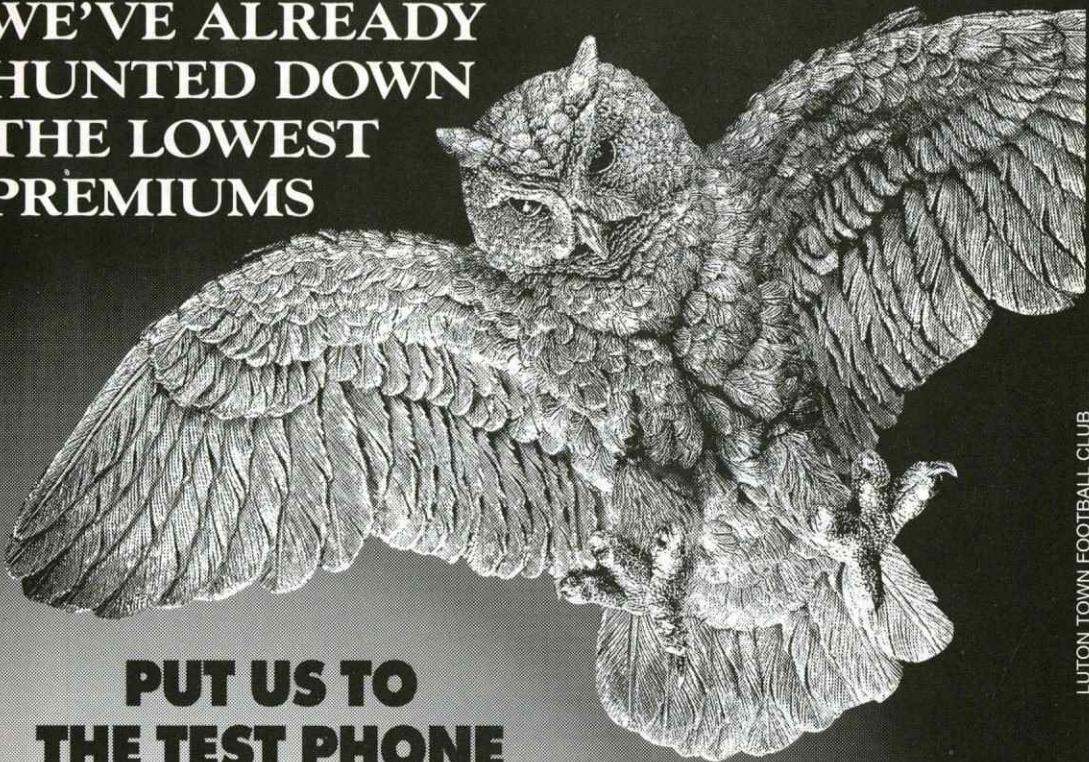
Take M1 north and exit at junction 38 (Huddersfield A637), keeping on the A637 for 6.3 miles, over two roundabouts to the Grangemoor Roundabout. Follow signs to Huddersfield A642 onto the A642. At lights after 3.3 miles, by Jet Station, turn right (H'field A629, M62). After 1.7 miles, after passing through several sets of lights, turn right (by church on LHS, Leeds A62) into St Andrews Road (if you miss turning, stadium is well signposted from next roundabout). Past The Aspley pub on the LHS and after 0.5 miles turn right (in front of Ford Cowie) to the away parking.

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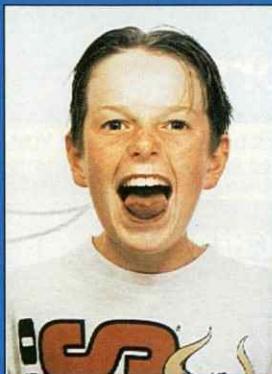


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WORLDWIDE HATTERS

LUTON TOWN FAN FILE



Name: SIMON DARWEN

Age: 14

Area I live: Ampthill.

The first time I saw Luton play: Against Peterborough on Saturday, May 1, 1993.

If I had unlimited funds, which player would I buy for Luton, and why: Les Ferdinand - enough said!

Best game ever seen: The 5-1 home win against Middlesbrough last season.

My favourite away ground, and why: Leicester City's Filbert Street - there's always a good atmosphere.

One new football law I'd introduce: Scrap offside!

What I like about Kenilworth Road: It is a comfortable ground to make you feel proud to support Luton, and when the Kohlerdome goes ahead I will always have fond memories of Kenilworth Road.

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



ABOVE: It's all Greek to me! Hatters fan Sam Watt, from Bedford, is pictured at the Parthenon in Athens, proudly wearing his Luton Town shirt.



LEFT: Peter Moore, from Luton, is pictured with his son Neil in Hong Kong. The picture was taken on a recent visit to the colony, where Neil is based with the Royal Navy.

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



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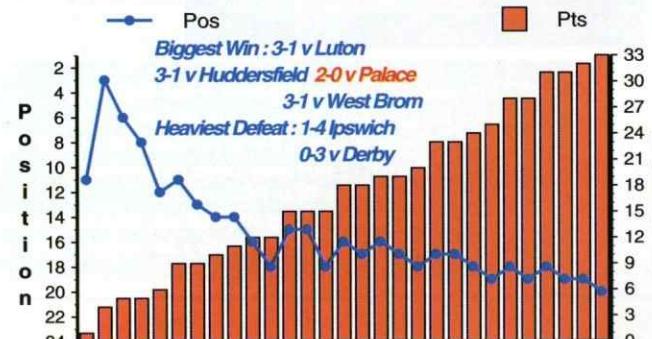
Spotlight on today's visitors



Back row: l to r: Trevor Morley, Jeff Hopkins, Michael Thorp, Matthew Stowell, Ron Grant (kitman), Stuart Lovell, David Bass, Martin Williams, Alan Carey.

Middle row: Lee Nogan, Michael Murphy, Michael Gilkes, Andy Bernal, Stuart Jones, Phil Parkinson, Simon Sheppard, Keith McPherson, Michael Meaker, Paul Holsgrave, Dylan Kerr.

Front row: l to r: Phil Holder (coach), Derek Simpson, James Lambert, Steve Swales, Jimmy Quinn (joint player/manager), Adrian Williams (captain), Mick Gooding (joint player/manager), Dariusz Wdowczyk, Tom Jones, Gareth Randell, Paul Turner (physio).



LEFT: Reading's league form this term.

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BORISLAV MIHAIOV - Bulgarian international goalkeeper who was one of their stars in the 1994 World Cup Finals. Captain of the national side, and has played over 80 times for his country, joining Reading earlier this season.

SIMON SHEPPARD - Former England schoolboy and youth international goalkeeper who signed on a free transfer from Watford in September 1994.

ANDY BERNAL - Capped 21 times by his native Australia, he is now in his second spell in English football, having made nine league appearances for Ipswich Town in the late 1980s. Signed for the Royals in July 1994, after five years with Sydney Olympic.

JEFF HOPKINS - Welsh international defender who joined Reading as a free agent from Crystal Palace after a brief spell with Bristol Rovers at the end of the 1991/92 season. Started his career with Fulham.

DYLAN KERR - Born in Malta, and signed for Reading for £75,000 from Leeds in July 1993. Joined Leeds from South African club Arcadia Shepherds in 1988.

KEITH MCPHERSON - Played one game for West Ham after joining them as an apprentice. Made 182 league appearances for Northampton Town before moving to Elm Park for £100,000 at the beginning of the 1990/91 season.

MATTHEW STOWELL - Former YTS centre back who skippered the 1994/95 youth team and signed professional in the summer of 1995.

STEVE SWALES - Left-back signed from Scarborough for £70,000 in July 1995.

MICHAEL THORP - Released by Reading in 1994 and played for Slough Town, but was re-signed by the Royals at Christmas.

DARIUSZ WDOWCZYK - Capped over 50 times by Poland, and has skippered his country on 10 occasions. Signed by Celtic from Legia Warsaw for £500,000 in November 1989, but was released on a free transfer from Parkhead, signing for the Royals in August 1994.

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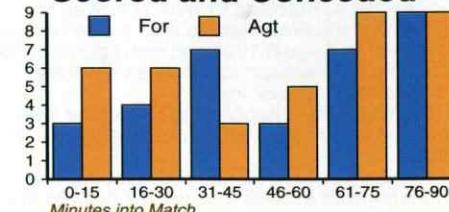


LEFT: Phil Parkinson

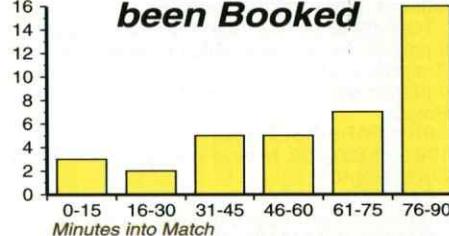


RIGHT: Keith McPherson

When Reading have Scored and Conceded



When Players have been Booked



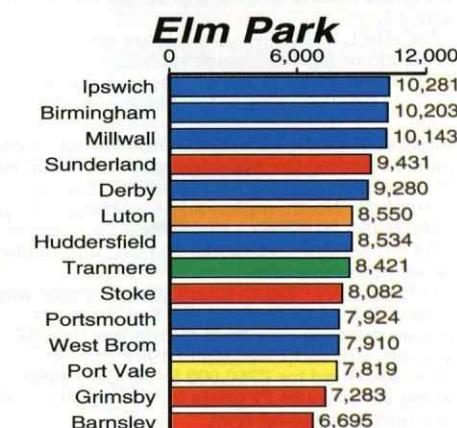
Average Goals per Match



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ADRIAN WILLIAMS - A graduate of Reading's youth scheme, and now a full Welsh international. Born in Reading, but his Welsh father qualified him to play, and he made his international debut in May 1994. Rejected £1 million moves to Coventry and West Ham to sign a new two-year contract in August 1994 and was appointed club captain. Last season for him was severely disrupted by a neck injury.

DAVID BASS - Highly-rated youngster who missed last season with a cruciate ligament injury.

PAUL HOLSGROVE - Joined Reading on a free transfer from Millwall in August 1994. His first club was Aldershot but, after loan spells at Wimbledon and West Brom he moved into non-league football before a brief stay at Luton. Played for Heracles in Holland before signing for Millwall in the 1992/93 season.

TOM JONES - Moved to Elm Park in July 1992 in a part-exchange deal which took Reading striker Craig Maskell to Swindon Town. Has twice suffered with a broken leg since joining the Royals.

PHIL PARKINSON - Arrived from Bury in July 1992 for £37,500, having started his career at Southampton.

DEREK SIMPSON - Scottish-born midfielder who signed professional in the summer.

MARTIN WILLIAMS - Signed from Luton Town on a free transfer in July 1995. Joined Leicester as a youngster, before joining his home town team at Kenilworth Road, and made 40 league appearances for the Hatters.

ALAN CAREY - Highly-rated young striker who was born in London, but raised in Ireland, arriving at Elm Park in the summer of 1993. Scored nearly 30 goals in youth team football, and signed professional in July 1994.

MICHAEL GILKES - Joined Reading from Leicester, and starred in the 1998 Simod Cup victory over Luton at Wembley. Elm Park's longest serving player, who enjoyed a testimonial season in 1994/95.

NEVILLE GORDON - Signed from Millwall on a free transfer in the summer.

JAMES LAMBERT - Signed professional forms in 1992, and made national headlines with a training stint at French side Monaco.

STUART LOVELL - Australian born striker who is a product of Reading's youth scheme, and whose career took off when he was put up for sale in March 1993 as he responded with a run of six goals in nine games. Top scorer last season with 14.

MICHAEL MEAKER - His talents were valued at £250,000 in the deal which took Simon Osborn to QPR in the summer. Welsh international who joined QPR as a youngster making his debut in 1990.

TREVOR MORLEY - Experienced striker who joined Reading on a free transfer from West Ham in July 1995. Has previously played league football for Northampton and Manchester City.

MICHAEL MURPHY - Highly-rated youngster who left school on October 6, 1994, and made his debut nine days later.

LEE NOGAN - Welsh international striker who joined Oxford as a youngster, but made his league debut at Brentford during the 1986/87 season. Moved to Watford in 1991, but left Vicarage Road for £250,000 in January 1995, going on to score 12 goals for the Royals as they reached the play-off final.

Meet the Managers



JIMMY QUINN (above left) and **MICK GOODING** took over as joint player/managers in December 1994 when Mark McGhee left for Leicester, taking the Royals to within one game of the Premiership when they were beaten by Bolton in last season's play-off final.

Mick Gooding started his career with Rotherham before moving to Chesterfield, back to Rotherham, and then onto Peterborough and Wolves before joining Reading in December 1989.

Has since made over 250 appearances for the Royals.

Jimmy Quinn started his career with Swindon, moving to Blackburn, Leicester, Bradford, West Ham and Bournemouth, before joining Reading in July 1992.

Northern Ireland international who has scored over 160 league goals in over 400 league appearances.



LEFT:
Reading's
Welsh
striker
Lee
Nogan

A Hatter and a Royal....

KERRY DIXON was probably destined to turn out for the Hatters at some time in his career, but he certainly went on a circuitous route before ending up at Kenilworth Road.

Born in the town and with an ex-Luton pro as a father we were given every chance to snap him up as a schoolboy, but he slipped through the net and after further trials at Tottenham ended up at Southern League Dunstable where he blossomed into a deadly striker.

Although slightly disillusioned with league football, Dixon went out to prove people wrong joining Reading in 1980, and in three years at Elm Park averaged almost a goal every two games which, of course, brought the big clubs sniffing around.

The big move eventually came in 1983 when a cheque for £175,000 changed hands as Dixon joined Chelsea, to enjoy almost nine years of almost unbroken success.

A cult hero at Stamford Bridge he scored 147 league goals, earned eight England caps, as well as other representative honours during his time there.

It was a surprise when he was allowed to join Southampton for £575,000 in 1992, and he never settled on the south coast.

Instead he came back to his spiritual home

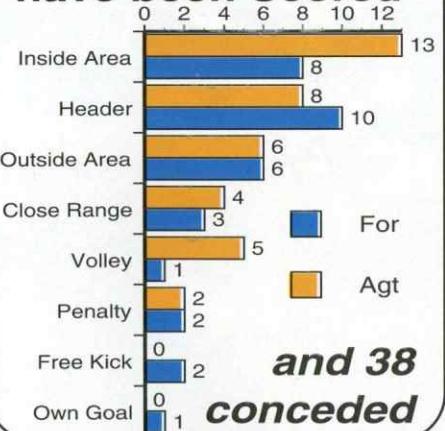


of Kenilworth Road a few months later - initially on loan.

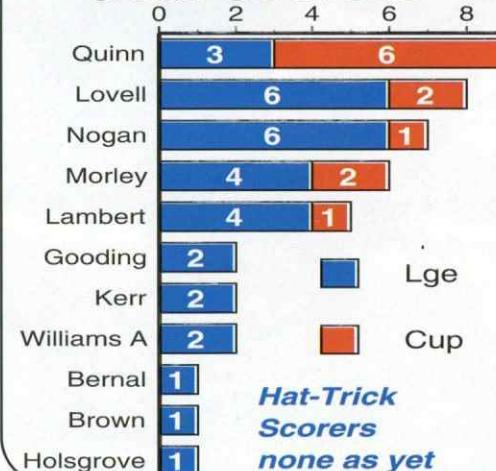
In 75 league appearances for the Town he notched 19 goals before being allowed to join Millwall a year ago for a fee of £5,000.

Recently transferred again to Watford, we will doubtless see him again at Kenilworth Road shortly! - **ROGER WASH**.

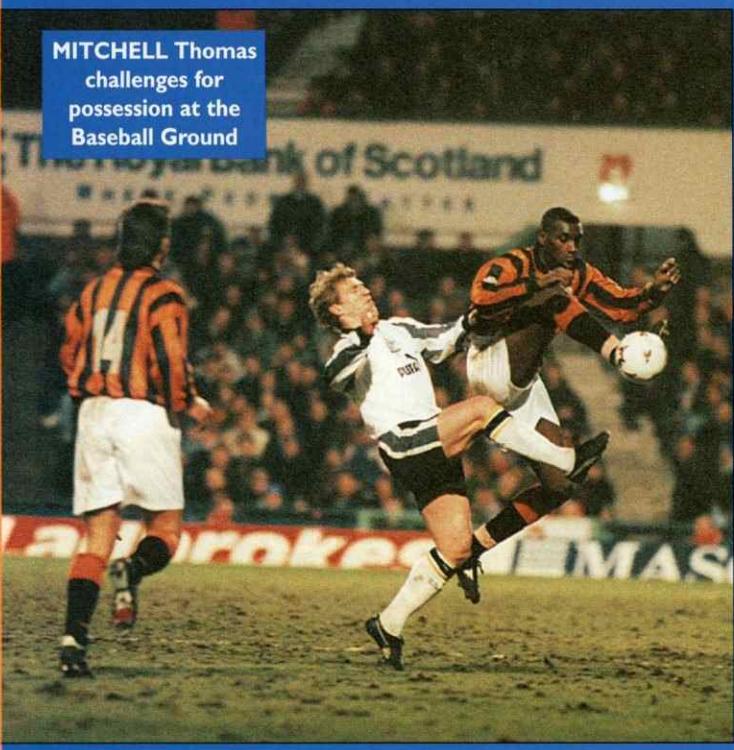
How 33 Goals have been Scored



Goal Scorers



MITCHELL Thomas challenges for possession at the Baseball Ground



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From

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Result

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(D Powell)

Luton Town 1
(Marshall)

Attendance: 14,825

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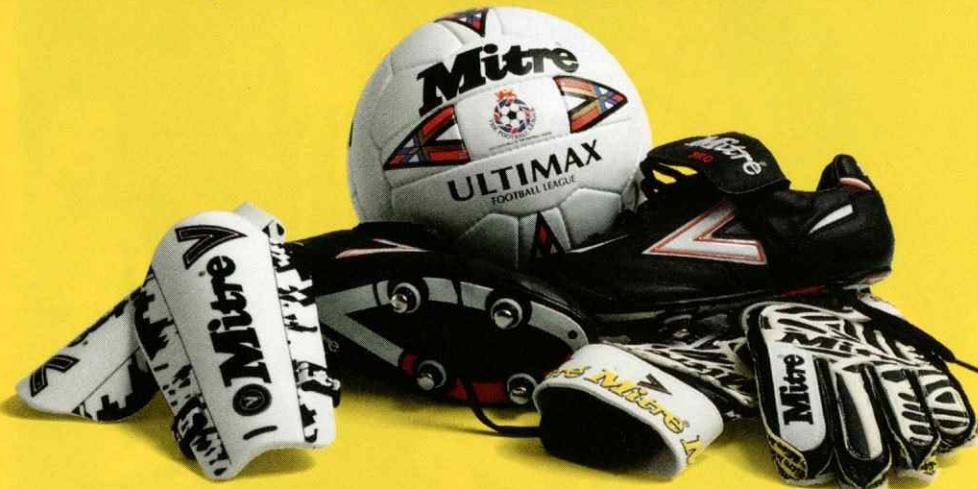
GOALSCORER Dwight Marshall makes a break during last Wednesday's 1-1 draw

DAVID Oldfield was recalled to the Town side at Derby



CHRIS Powell (3) clears for Derby after Russell Hoult had saved Tony Thorpe's fifth-minute shot

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WELCOME to all the Junior Hatters, and welcome to this evening's game.

Don't forget the Saturday Club is for Junior Hatters on home matchdays, meeting at Dallow Road Junior School at 12 noon, and resumes this Saturday when we entertain Crystal Palace. The cost is £6.50, which includes your match ticket, (£3.50 for season ticket holders), lunch and supervised activities, with a visit from a Town player.

Parents can pick up their children from inside the Family Room after the game. Please bring trainers and a drink.

Places at the Saturday Club can be booked at the Club Shop, and we would ask you to book in advance so we can cater for the right number.

We are now taking bookings for trips to the matches at Sheffield United on Saturday, March 23, and to Charlton on Good Friday, April 5. Each trip will cost £10 for adults, and £8 for Junior Hatters - prices include match ticket.

Please book early at the Club Shop, as places are limited. Bookings can be made either in person or by phone on 01582 411622, but please note that we are unable to take bookings on a home matchday between 12 noon and 3pm.

All other Junior Hatters enquiries should be made to the Ticket Office on 01582 416976.

MATCH DAY MASCOTS



Name: Paul Hegley
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Favourite Luton player: Scott Oakes and Ceri Hughes
Local team that you play for: Dunstable Colts
Attends matches with: My Dad



ABOVE: Darren Jones (centre) was our Junior Hatters mascot for the game against Millwall, with Commercial Mascot Harry Vernon. They are pictured with Town players David Oldfield, Gary Waddock, Bontcho Guentchev and John Taylor.

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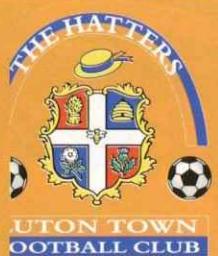
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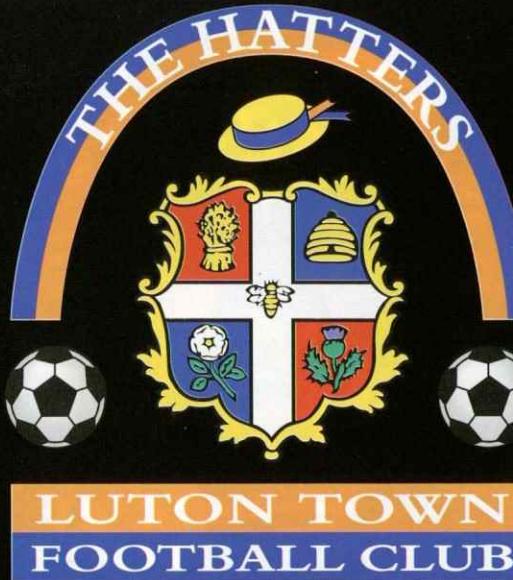
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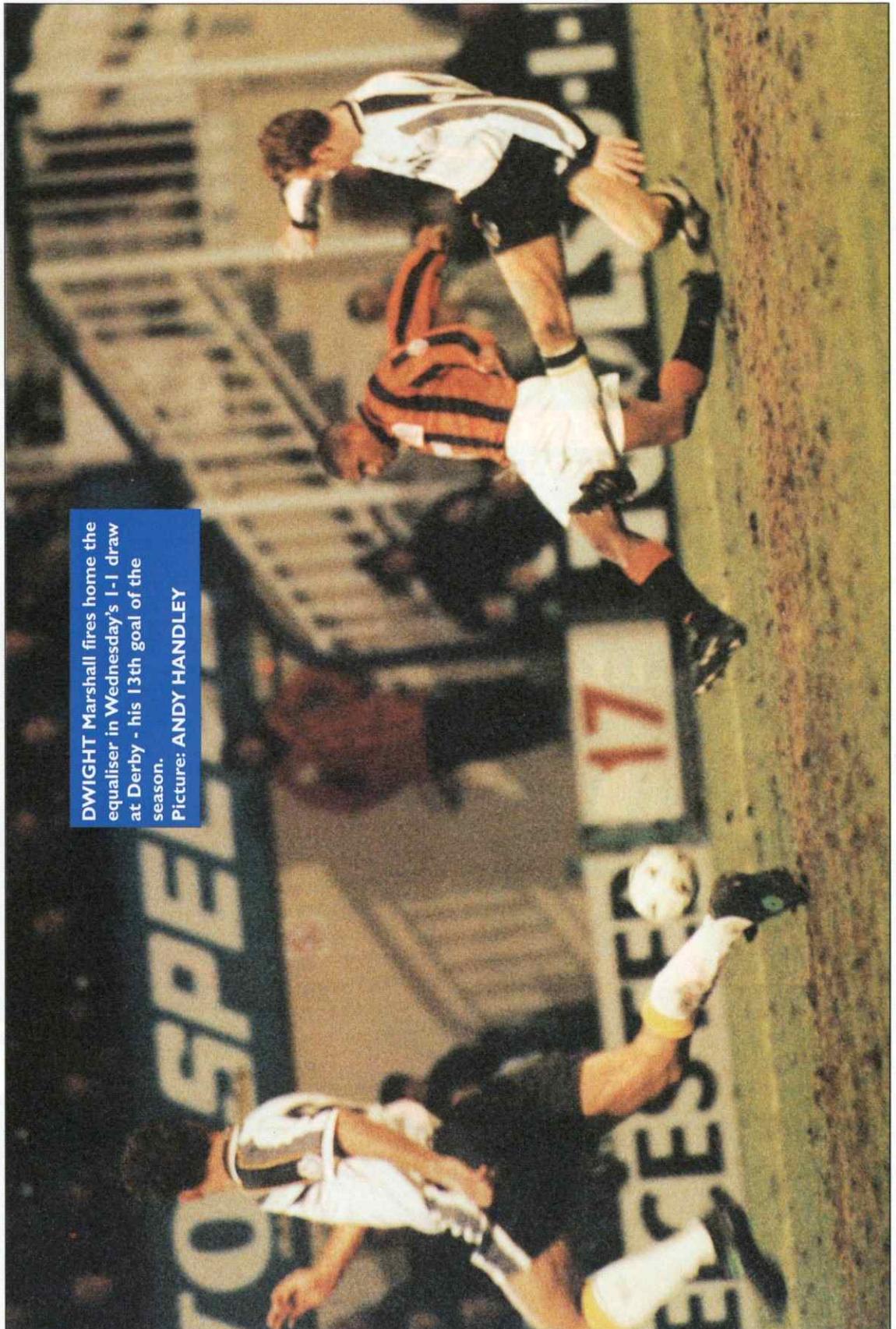
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DWIGHT Marshall fires home the equaliser in Wednesday's 1-1 draw at Derby - his 13th goal of the season. Picture: ANDY HANDLEY

Time to close the gap with the man in black!

PERHAPS the saddest aspect of the scene this season is the credibility gap which appears to have grown - and even widened as the months go by - between the professional game on one hand and referees on the other.

It seems that not a week elapses without a manager or player criticising, usually in strong terms, either individual decisions, aspects of consistency, or the ability or fitness of the men in green and black.

Sometimes there is a repost, either officially, or more modestly in columns like this, but not a lot is done to bring the two sides together.

Indeed, mention of sides brings me to the whole point at issue, which is that everyone in the game should be on the same side.

But, because there is a perception that the three teams on the field (two sets of players, plus the referee and linesmen and the fourth official) are in competition, whatever goes wrong must be the fault of the smaller group.

In the same way that players make mistakes on the field, and managers and coaches make errors of judgement in tactics off it, so the referee and linesmen will also err.

We are told that to err is human, but the way some verbal attacks are made on officials casts doubt in that direction and it is made to look as if some zombie has got hold of a whistle or a flag with the intent of ruining the match.

It is interesting that most of the people questioned after such verbal attacks - when it is put to them - indicate

KEN GOLDMAN of the Middlesex Referees Society with a personal plea for better 'referee relations'

that they themselves would not do the referee's job. So where does all this lead us?

Surely the answer should be that everyone must get closer together, so that respect and confidence can be achieved.

There are certain small ways in which this can be done, with a little alteration in administrative rules and some humility on all sides.

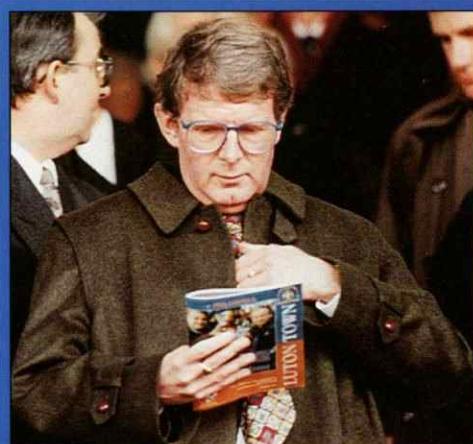
For example, managers could make a greater effort to attend monthly referees' society meetings, to talk to them, and to encourage players to similarly attend.

Then there is the question of consistency of decision, which, as has been previously mentioned, has been the subject over the last two seasons for get-togethers of Premiership referees on the Saturday before an international, when there are no league matches.

Why can't managers and coaches be invited along so that they can see filmed incidents and vote on whether a particular incident was a foul - and if so, what kind of foul and what should be the punishment?

Finally, since most YTS and trainee players have to study and presumably pass 'Laws of the Game' tests in their formative years, it would be helpful if they were given refresher courses, perhaps once a season.

Rapport is an over-used word, but it is one which will have to be constantly in the minds of all sections of the game if we are to close the gap rather than see it further widened.



BBC commentator JOHN MOTSON was a guest at the recent home game with Millwall, and is pictured catching up with all the news from Kenilworth Road in the LTFC match programme.

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



A RELATIVELY quiet week in the treatment room, with Scott Oakes our major absentee although he has resumed full training after a back injury.

In fact Scott was hoping to play for the reserve side at Kenilworth Road on Saturday against Ipswich, weather permitting, in a bid to regain match fitness and he could come into consideration for tonight's game, and/or Saturday's home match against Crystal Palace.

Marvin Johnson has shown no ill effects following his return to full training after a hamstring injury, and was due to play at Sunderland.

Aaron Skelton is close to resuming full training after severe bruising to his left knee.

Other than that it is just the usual bumps and bruises, which augurs well for the busy schedule ahead.



ABOVE: John Taylor receives treatment during the game against Millwall.

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SCOTT OAKES was hoping to play for the reserves on Saturday.

A SOCCER fan in Zimbabwe is looking for penpals, and has written to Luton Town asking for our assistance.

Sixteen-year-old Nomore Chizaza watches English soccer regularly on television, and his other hobbies include chess, table tennis, swimming and cooking.

Nomore can be contacted at:

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LEARNING THROUGH FOOTBALL

HALFWAY through the 1995/96 academic year, approximately 750 Bedfordshire schoolchildren have so far enjoyed a day at Kenilworth Road, becoming involved in the 'Learning through Football' project currently sponsored by the Daily Star, writes scheme co-ordinator MAURICE DAWSON.

The 9-11 year olds have come from Hillborough, Norton Road, Tennyson Road, Foxdell, Beechwood Road, St Josephs, Icknield, Farley, Dallow, Beech Hill, Winlock, Sacred Heart and Waulud Junior Schools in Luton, but Middle Schools have also been well represented with groups attending from Woodside School at Bedford, Burgoyne at Potton, Parkfields at Toddington, Brewers Hill and Mill Vale at Dunstable, and Arnold from Barton.

The 'Learning through Football' project has proved very popular with schools throughout the county. Every available Tuesday and Thursday up to the Easter holiday has been booked by other schools, but there are many vacancies right through the summer term, and consequently it is hoped that no schools wishing to become involved need be disappointed.

All enquiries should be made by letter or telephone to Maurice at 27 Peggdon Close, Luton, LU3 2LG, telephone (01582) 654145.

We aim to provide all children who visit

Kenilworth Road with an enjoyable and educational day, during which they will learn the history of the club from its formation in 1885, tackle mathematical assignments relating to football, and write about their experiences.

The 'lessons' are interspersed with visits to many parts of the club not normally seen by visitors, whereby children discover just what makes a football club tick.

Not least in importance is the likelihood of the children meeting players and other staff, all of whom make them very welcome.

A high percentage of our local children seem to support league clubs other than Luton Town when they arrive at the ground, but by the time they leave some are swearing allegiance to their new found club!

Time will tell whether they become loyal supporters of the Hatters.

A BIG thank-you to everyone who has attended the Half-Term coaching courses which, despite the weather, have proved popular, with schools from across the region hosting one and two-day sessions.

We will shortly be announcing details of our Easter Holiday courses, so look out for those dates and venues in forthcoming programmes.



ABOVE: Last week's Penalty Challenge participants (Matthew Lindgreen, David Cremin and Jason Kelly) are pictured at the half-time shoot-out.

AT half-time in the game against Southend, we introduced the Luton Town FC Penalty Challenge as part of your half-time entertainment - a competition organised in conjunction with The Windowcraft Chiltern Youth Football League.

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

The penalty competition will resume at half-time on Saturday during the game against Crystal Palace.

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



RESERVES & YOUTH ROUND-UP

WITH TREVOR PEAKE AND JOHN MOORE

THE Town's reserve side has enjoyed mixed fortunes in the last week, with a home win over Brighton, at Hitchin, and an away defeat to Charlton - a game played at Welling.

Against Brighton, Dwight Marshall gave the Hatters a 1-0 interval lead, with Norwegian striker Vidar Riseth sealing the game in the final minute.

Team: Davis, Linton (Woodsford), Harvey, Power, Simpson, Peake, Chenery, Oldfield, Riseth, Marshall (Kean), Vilstrup.

Sub not used: Willmott.

The reserves travelled to Welling last Wednesday to encounter Charlton, and a frostbound pitch, with the home side winning 2-0.

Team: Davis, Linton, Chenery, Power, Simpson, Peake, McLaren, Kean, Douglas, J Thomas, Vilstrup.

Subs not used: Turner, Willmott, Evers.

The reserves were due to entertain Ipswich at Kenilworth Road on Saturday, and return to action at home to Wimbledon next week.

The youth team beat Wimbledon 3-2 last Saturday, with goals from Steve Augustine, Robert Kean and Stuart Douglas.

Team: Abbey, Turner, Sweeney, Evers, Willmott, Upson, Augustine, Kean, Fotiadis, Douglas, Spring.

Subs: Smith, Barr, Doherty.

But the youngsters went down 4-1 at Oxford in Monday's rearranged league game - Andrew Barr getting the only Luton goal.

Team: Webb, Lawes, Smith, Sweeney, Boyce, Upson, Augustine, Bryson, Barr, George, Cox.

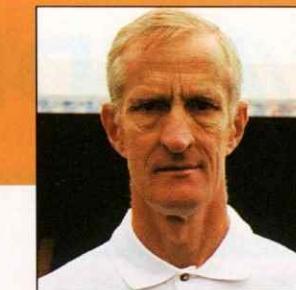
Subs: Peterkin, Doherty, Cornwall.

Avon Insurance Combination Apps and Goalscorers (21/2/96)

	Apps	G		Apps	G
Barber	7		Fitzpatrick	1	
Chenery	18 (4)		Douglas	7 (4)	2
G Johnson	10	1	Evers	7 (3)	
James	9	1	Taylor	2	1
Greene	8		Power	6 (5)	
Skelton	12 (1)		Alexander	4	
Linton	13	3	Augustine	1 (2)	
McLaren	13		Willmott	1 (3)	
Isott	3 (6)	1	Oldfield	9	1
Jones	10 (4)	2	Fotiadis	2	1
Matthews	3	2	Sharpe	1	
Woolgar	1 (2)		Simpson	12 (2)	1
K Davis	15		J Thomas	2 (1)	
Peake	9		Kean	1 (3)	
Woodsford	18 (1)	3	Guentchev	8	4
Hughes	2		Allen	1	
Thorpe	9 (1)	5	Turner	1	
M Thomas	8		Sweeney	(1)	
Waddock	7		Patterson	2	
Codner	2		Vilstrup	8	
Boskovic	1		Abbey	1	
Barr	(1)		Riseth	4 (1)	3
Smith	(1)		Harvey	3	
			Marshall	1	1

Mon Aug 14 Swindon Town (A) drew 1-1
 Wed Aug 23 Tottenham H (H) drew 3-3
 Tue Aug 29 Portsmouth (A) drew 1-1
 Wed Sep 6 QPR (H) lost 3-1
 Mon Sep 11 Watford (H) drew 0-0
 Wed Sep 20 Crystal Palace (H) lost 1-0
 Tue Sep 26 West Ham Utd (A) lost 2-1
 Mon Oct 2 Stofold (A) (BPC) won 3-2
 Wed Oct 4 Bristol City (H) won 2-0
 Wed Oct 11 Brighton (A) lost 3-1
 Wed Oct 18 Charlton Ath (H) won 6-2
 Wed Oct 25 Ipswich Town (A) won 1-0
 Wed Nov 1 Wimbledon (A) lost 2-1
 Wed Nov 8 Norwich City (H) lost 2-1
 Wed Nov 15 Oxford Utd (A) lost 3-2
 Wed Nov 22 Southampton (H) won 1-0
 Tue Nov 28 Arsenal (H) lost 4-0
 Wed Dec 6 Bristol Rovers (H) won 4-1
 Mon Dec 11 Chelsea (A) drew 0-0
 Mon Dec 18 Barton (A) BPC lost 2-1
 Wed Jan 3 Portsmouth (H) won 2-0
 Thur Jan 11 QPR (A) lost 2-1
 Tue Jan 16 Watford (A) won 1-0
 Sat Feb 3 Tottenham (A) lost 2-0
 Wed Feb 14 Brighton (H) won 2-0
 Wed Feb 21 Charlton Ath (A) lost 2-0
 Sat Feb 24 Ipswich Town (H) 7.30
 Wed Mar 6 Wimbledon (H) 7.30
 Wed Mar 13 Norwich City (A) 7.30
 Wed Mar 20 Oxford Utd (H) 7.30
 Sat Mar 23 Millwall (H) 2pm
 Wed Mar 27 Southampton (A) 7.30
 Wed Apr 3 Arsenal (A) 3pm
 Wed Apr 10 Bristol Rovers (A) 7.30
 Wed Apr 17 Chelsea (H) 7.30
 Mon Apr 22 Millwall (A) 7pm
 Wed May 1 Swindon Town (H) 7.30
 Tue May 7 West Ham (H) 7.30
 TBA Crystal Palace (A)
 Bristol City (A)

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



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

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

Youth Team League & Cup Appearances and Goalscorers

	Lge apps	Lge goals	Cup apps	Cup goals
Abbey	12		7	
Turner	15 (1)	1	7 (2)	
Sharpe	14		9	
Sweeney	17 (3)		7 (1)	1
Jones	11 (1)		1 (3)	
Willmott	17 (2)	5	8	2
Augustine	16 (2)	6	6 (2)	2
Evers	14 (1)	1	8	
Douglas	12 (3)	5	6 (2)	6
Barr	11 (4)	8	2 (3)	6
Kean	15 (1)	1	7 (3)	1
Lawrence	(2)		1	
Fotiadis	12 (3)	7	9	5
Webb	9		3	
Upson	17 (1)		6 (1)	
Smith	11 (8)	3	8 (1)	3
George	10 (3)	1	3 (3)	9
Thomas	10 (2)		4 (4)	
Doherty	(1)		3	1
Spring	2 (2)		4	

Statistics up to and including Monday, February 19.
 Also played

Lawes - 2 league app + 1 cup app
 Ryan - 1 league app
 Cox - 3 league app + 1 sub, 1 goal
 Provencial - 2 league sub
 Bryson - 1 league app + 1 sub
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Brighton	18	9	2	7	25 26 20
Barnet	21	6	7	8	28 28 19
Bristol City	20	5	6	9	28 34 16
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"MILLWALL have a new manager and obviously their players will be keen to impress.

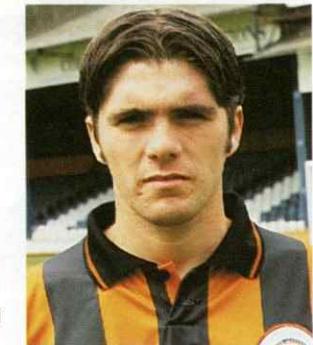
"This is a different game to last week when in truth Grimsby were halfway through an epic cup tie as it turned out, so it was not a bad time to play them.

"I don't know whether it's a good time to play Millwall or not because a new manager will effect a change, but all we can do is set our stall out, get our game right, and go from there." **LENNIE LAWRENCE** speaking before the game against Millwall.



"THE lads showed great spirit after going down to 10 men, and over the 90 minutes we created the best chances.

"When the penalty came I was quite confident about taking it because I take them for the reserves, but it was still a relief to see it go in." **TONY THORPE** after the win against Millwall.



"IT was a solid performance because although Millwall had plenty of possession they didn't create many chances and our defence is looking stronger.

Players have been missing at various times, but others have slotted in, like Darren moving across into the centre of the defence with Marvin injured." **MICHAEL THOMAS** after the win against Millwall.



"MARVIN will come in for Steve Davis at Sunderland, and I said at the start when I came here that we were going to need them all and we will now. Basically we have been playing one game a week, and now we are going to be playing four out of the next five midweek games, as well as Saturdays.

"Now is the test, now is the time and we are going to need everyone. It will start with suspensions like Steve's, then we'll get a couple of injuries and you'll be surprised how many you will use. We will have to juggle." **LENNIE LAWRENCE** on the benefits of a large squad ahead of a busy schedule.

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"WE did well to restrict Derby, and that was a big scalp for us which gave me as much pleasure as any win, and they are the best team in this league that I have seen." **LENNIE LAWRENCE** after the 1-1 draw.

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Ten-man Royals pressure promoted Town



LEFT: Injury-prone winger Mike Harrison was forced to leave the field against Reading in 1968.

FOLLOWING promotion from Division Four in 1968, the Town started off the new campaign like a train and were unbeaten in their first eight games as they emerged as early leaders of the table.

In that golden autumn the die was cast for a tremendous home record with Oldham, Rotherham, Barnsley, Tranmere and Mansfield all leaving Kenilworth Road following heavy defeats in front of increasingly larger crowds. It is difficult to imagine now that a crowd of below 15,000 was regarded as small, and that was in Division Three!

After the first defeat of the season, at Brighton, the early promise started to fall apart as, although the home record was still excellent, the away form was abysmal with defeat after defeat putting pressure on the players to perform at Kenilworth Road.

After seven straight away defeats the gloom was lifted slightly when the first visit to Northampton for league points since 1936/37, saw a couple of goals from Bruce Rioch earn us a well deserved 2-0 win. The crowd of 15,161 included a mass of scouts looking at the sharp shooting inside forward.

Unfortunately Rioch's and the Town's season took another turn for the worse when the player was badly injured in the next home game, against Walsall, with the result that the customary away

defeat the following week at lowly Crewe was seen as the end to any promotion aspirations the team may have had.

Reading were the next visitors to Kenilworth Road and a crowd of 'only' 11,871 turned up on a cold February day to see if the Town could at least maintain their unbated home record. Ian Buxton continued to deputise for the injured Rioch, while Graham French returned to the side at the expense of new signing from QPR, Mike Keen.

As it turned out, the Town got off to a flying start when Alan Slough put us into the lead in the third minute with a great drive after his first attempt had been blocked, and had bounced straight back to him. The joy of the crowd was soon stilled however, when the injury prone winger Mike Harrison had to leave the field after 10 minutes, with yet another pulled muscle.

French on the other wing though was having a field day, beating the Reading fullback Alan Hitchcock, who was making only his second league appearance, at will, and putting over a string of teasing crosses for Brian Lewis and Keith Allen in the box.

The Town increased their lead just before half-time when Allen was brought down in the area by Ernie Yard, and Lewis made no mistake from the spot.

The second period saw Reading rely on spoiling tactics and physical play, and Dave Bacuzzi was

lucky to receive only a booking for a foul on Buxton. The Town were not entirely blameless however, with Lewis antagonising defenders as only he could.

Dick Spiers had been with Reading since the mid-1950s and had never been sent off, but all that changed when he brought down Lewis, and in all honesty the retaliation was understandable.

As so often happens, the 10 men fought like 12, and Reading pulled a goal back just before the end, and the Town were lucky to hold on to take both points.

Although we did not know it at the time, this game was a turning point in the season, and by the time of the return, six weeks later, we had moved up to third place in the table following four straight wins, including two away from home, at Bournemouth and Oldham.

The game at Reading was played on a miserable March evening with thick fog shrouding Elm Park, and thick mud underfoot, and although I was there it was difficult to see much of what was going on, and if the ball was over on the far side of the pitch reliance had to be made on the shouts of the unseen spectators.

It was a night for the brave and both sides showed great determination with a reshuffled Luton defence ably marshalled by Max Dougan, deputising as captain for Terry Branston, making sure that the Reading forwards did not pass.

Reading did though open the scoring on the hour, with a soft header from John Sainty that skidded under Luton goalkeeper Sandie Davie.

The Town fought back however, and a minute later Laurie Sheffield took advantage of a loose ball in the box and ended up firing home into an empty net.

Despite some scares at both ends and some fine saves from Davie, the game finished all square with another point in the bag as the Town closed on the leaders.

For the record, we went another eight games unbeaten but were unable to overtake the top two, Swindon and Watford.

The early away form had cost us dear, and promotion would have to wait until the following season!

Luton (first game): Davie, Dougan, Bannister, Slough, Branston, Moore, French, Buxton, Allen, Lewis, Harrison (McDerment).

(second game): Davie, Dougan, Bannister, McDerment, Slough, Moore, French, Allen, Sheffield, Lewis, Jardine.

Reading (first game): Brown, Bacuzzi, Spiers, Thornhill, Hitchcock, Yard, Allen, Collins, Sainty, Silvester, Harris.

(second game): Brown, Bacuzzi, Meldrum, Yard, Spiers, Thornhill, Docherty, Sainty, Silvester, Collins, Harris.



by ROGER WASH

5 YEARS AGO

2/3/91: It was now two wins in a row as a goal from Iain Dowie saw off Nottingham Forest at Kenilworth Road, in front of a crowd of 9,577.

We were now up to the heady heights of 14th position in Division One.

10 YEARS AGO

22/2/86: With his third goal in five appearances for the Town, since his signing from Wigan, Mike Newell enabled us to gain another priceless point in a 1-1 draw at QPR.

15 YEARS AGO

1/3/81: The first ever Sunday fixture for the Town ended in a 0-0 draw at Orient, watched by an above average, but bored, crowd of 8,074.

20 YEARS AGO

28/2/76: After a month without a home game, the Town entertained league leaders Sunderland at Kenilworth Road. A crowd of 15,338 saw a famous Luton victory courtesy of a strike from Ron Fletcher, and an own goal from Bob Moncur.

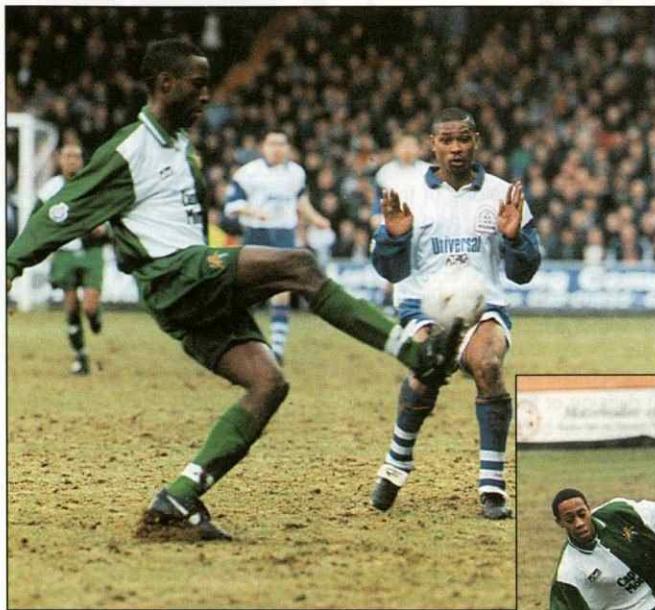
Those were the days

SPOT-ON THORPE TAMES THE LIONS



LEFT: Tony Witter's foul on Dwight Marshall gave Tony Thorpe the chance to put Luton in front from the penalty spot.

BELOW: Thorpe (11), David Oldfield and Mitchell Thomas celebrate the successful spot-kick.



LEFT: Hands up! Tony Witter clears under pressure from Dwight Marshall.

BELOW: John Taylor sandwiched between Bobby Bowry and Keith Stevens.



LUTON TOWN 1
(Thorpe pen)

MILLWALL 0

at Kenilworth Road,
February 17, 1996

(Pictures: ANDY HANDLEY)



LEFT: Millwall keeper Kasey Keller claims the ball ahead of Hatters sub Dwight Marshall.

BELOW: Bontcho puts his back into it!



ABOVE: Have you heard the one about.....? Julian James and Jason Van Blerk share the joke with referee Jim Rushton.

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ENDSLEIGH LEAGUE NEWS ROUND-UP

Endsleigh clubs get 'Fair Play' incentive

THE Football Association will once again this season put forward a £30,000 incentive for clubs across the three divisions of the Endsleigh Insurance League to reward attractive play and discourage misconduct on the field.

Introduced in season 1993/94, the FA Fair Play Awards scheme incorporates the principle of a fair play league - reflecting the conduct of players - and combines this with the more positive aspects of a team's performance - scoring goals.

Points are awarded on a debit and credit basis with the FA Fair Play awards going to the club in each division of the Football League who finishes the season with the highest credit balance.

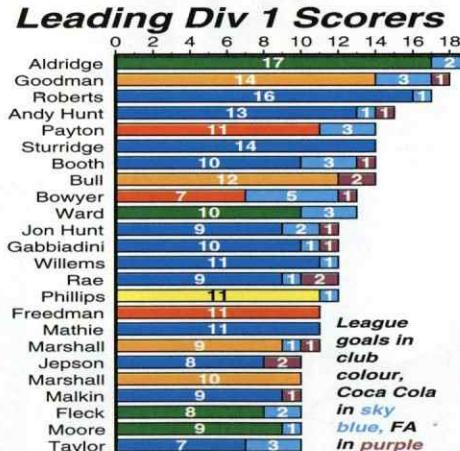
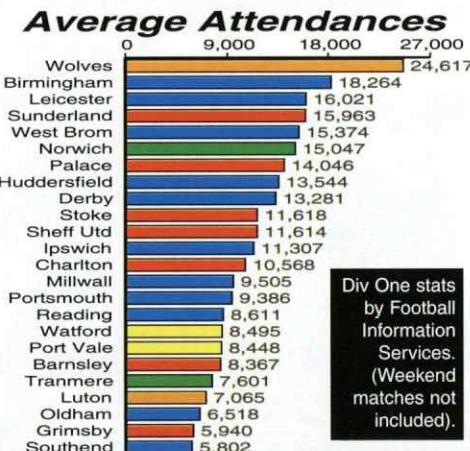
The divisional winners of the FA Fair Play Awards will be determined by who finishes at the top of a series of merit tables, with £10,000 going to each of the three successful clubs.

Sides will be credited with points by virtue of goals scored - two points for goals scored at home and four points for away goals. However, points will be deducted for players either cautioned (one point) or dismissed (two points).

The merit order in the three FA Fair Play tables will then be determined by the balance of points for each club. Only regular Endsleigh League matches will be taken into consideration, to ensure that clubs' playing records are based on an equal number of games.

If clubs finish level on points, the following criteria determine the winners: 1) The club with fewer players sent off. 2) The club with the fewer players cautioned. 3) The club who has scored the highest number of goals (home and away).

Prior to the matches on February 10, the top five clubs in Division One were Ipswich, Norwich, Leicester, Derby and Stoke, with balances ranging from +94 to +79.



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Genoa book Wembley final place

ITALIAN giants Genoa secured their passage through to the Anglo-Italian Cup Final last week at their Italia '90 Luigi Ferraris Stadium thanks to a 5-0 Italian Final aggregate victory over Serie B counterparts Cesena.

Genoa's 1-0 win at home last Thursday built on their 4-0 advantage from the first leg in Cesena a week before, and they now prepare for an encounter at Wembley Stadium on March 16 or 17 with the winners of the English Final between West Brom and Port Vale.

The Baggies and Vale were due to play the first leg of that final at The Hawthorns on Saturday, following a number of earlier postponements.

A reminder to Luton fans that if Port Vale reach the Wembley final it will mean the postponement of the Hatters' home league game against John Rudge's side on March 16.

It's Serie un-Believable! And you thought Div 1 was close!

THE four teams we encountered earlier this season in the Anglo-Italian Cup are all bidding for promotion from Italy's Serie B to the top flight Serie A.

Yet it could also be argued that all four could still be relegated as just six points separates the promotion places from the drop into Serie C.

Cesena, who beat the Hatters 2-1 in Italy in November, currently head Serie B, with Ancona, beaten 5-0 here at Kenilworth Road a month later, also in a promotion place.

Behind them on goal difference are Perugia, who won here 4-1 in September, with Genoa eighth.

The latter, on the basis of the 4-0 victory against Luton in October, would be regarded by the many Hatters fans who were in the magnificent Luigi Ferraris stadium that night as surely favourites to reclaim their place alongside the likes of Milan, Inter, Lazio and company at the first attempt.

But while Genoa are eighth, they are just four points

behind leaders Cesena, although Luton fans may also be surprised to learn that the Czech international Tomas Skuhravy, who scored the opener in that 4-0 triumph, has been released by the club.

Genoa have though won through to the final of the Anglo-Italian Cup, to be played at Wembley next month (see left for details), although they slipped up in their first league game of this month with a 0-0 draw at bottom club Pistoiese, probably the only team ruled out of the promotion picture!

Johnson joins Wigan after two-month loan

DEFENDER Gavin Johnson has completed a £30,000 move to Division Three side Wigan Athletic, after a two-month loan spell at Springfield Park.

The 25-year-old joined Luton Town in the summer, after being given a free transfer by Ipswich Town at the end of last season.

He had been at Portman Road since leaving school, and made 160 first-team appearances for Ipswich, including 20 in the Premier League last term.

Gavin scored the goal which sealed the Division Two championship for Ipswich in May 1992, and then bagged their first goal in the new Premier League in August of that year.

After moving to Kenilworth Road he played just five full league games, with two substitute appearances.



SERIE B						
P	W	D	L	F	A	PTS
Cesena	22	9	7	6	29	20
Verona	22	9	7	6	24	20
Pescara	22	9	6	7	28	28
Ancona	21	10	2	9	32	26
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Perugia	22	8	8	6	27	23
Bologna	22	7	11	4	19	15
Reggiana	22	8	7	7	21	21
Genoa	22	8	6	8	34	31
Palermo	22	6	12	4	16	17
Venezia	22	7	9	6	18	20
Cosenza	22	6	11	5	25	23
Brescia	22	7	6	9	27	24
Salernitana	22	6	9	7	19	17
Fidelis Andria	22	6	8	8	24	25
Lucchese	21	5	11	5	19	22
Avellino	22	7	5	10	24	30
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Foggia	22	6	8	8	17	24
Reggina	21	6	8	7	21	29
Chievo	22	4	13	5	19	19
Pistoiese	21	3	8	10	27	17

Top four clubs promoted to Serie A. Bottom four club relegated to Serie C. Table prior to matches played on February 18, 1996.

Forthcoming live ITV coverage

THE following Endsleigh League Division One games have been confirmed for live ITV coverage:

Sunday, March 3, 1996

Grimsby Town v Sunderland - 3pm on Yorkshire and Tyne-Tees.
Ipswich Town v Leicester City - 3pm

on Anglia and Central.
Oldham Athletic v Tranmere Rovers - 3pm on Granada.

Good Friday, April 5, 1996
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We are also able to confirm details of our Luton Town Sportsmens Dinner, which will be held at the Strathmore Hotel, Luton, on Monday, May 20.

Our guest speaker is Kevin Connolly, one of the country's leading after-dinner entertainers, and Luton Town players and management will also be in attendance.

Tickets are £35 (+VAT), and can be obtained from the Commercial Department.



LEFT: Harry Vernon, our Commercial Mascot against Millwall, is pictured with family and Town players John Taylor, Julian James, Gary Waddock and Steve Davis.



RIGHT: J Sapsworth Limited were one of three match sponsors last Saturday, and Mr Jack Sapsworth is pictured with his guests, and Town players, at the after-match presentations.

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WIN TICKETS FOR YOUR JUNIOR TEAM

ACD HORNETS, our January Junior Team of the Month award winners, were our guests at last Saturday's game against Millwall, and are pictured below.

And in this Saturday's match programme we will be announcing our winners for February.

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



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

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

Managers or parents should write to the club telling them why their team should be the Team of the Month. It may be that you recorded a first win, or only lost narrowly to the top side in your league. Nominations should be sent to: Junior Team Award, c/o Simon Oxley, LTFC, Kenilworth Stadium, 1 Maple Road, Luton, Beds.

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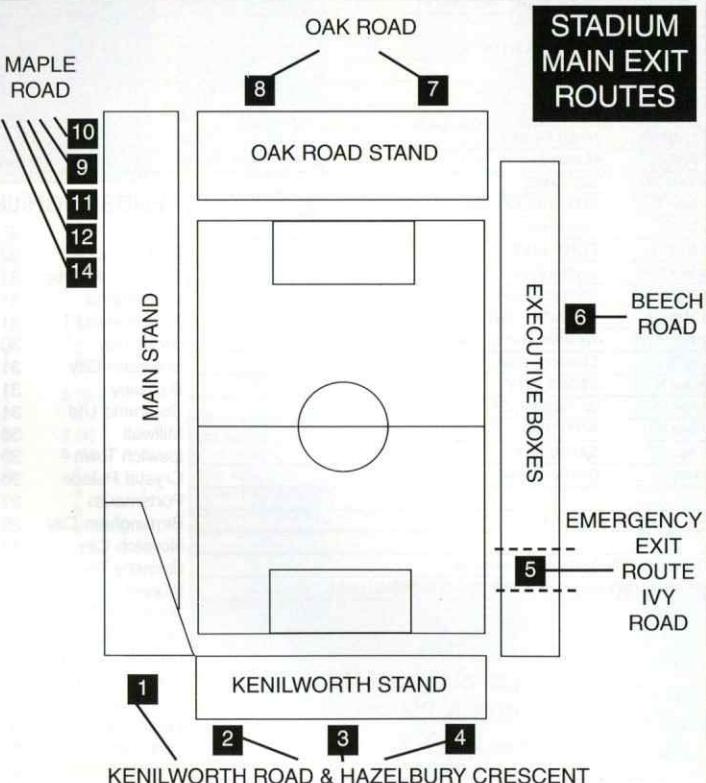
- Ensure the safe and controlled evacuation of the ground.
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GEOFF LOVELL,
Safety Manager.



TEAM STATISTICS 1995-96

Date	Opponents	F-A	Att	Pos	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13 or GK	14
Sun Aug 13	NORWICH CITY	1-3	7,848	-	K.Davis	Thomas	M.Johnson	Waddock	Hughes	Peake	Alexander	Oldfield	(Thorpe)	GUENTCHEV	Harvey	S.Davis	Sommer	(Taylor)
Tue Aug 15	BOURNEMOUTH CCC 1 (1)	1-1	2,728	-	Sommer	Thomas	M.Johnson	S.Davis	Hughes	Oldfield	Alexander	(MARSHALL)	Taylor	Guentchev	Harvey	Waddock	Peake	(Thorpe)
Sat Aug 19	Southend United	1-0	4,630	17	Sommer	James	M.Johnson	S.Davis	Hughes	Oldfield	(Alexander)	(Marshall)	Taylor	Guentchev	Harvey	(Waddock)	(THORPE)	(Thomas)
Tue Aug 22	Bournemouth CCC1 (2)	1-2	4,884	-	Sommer	James	M.JOHNSON	S.Davis	Waddock	(Oldfield)	Alexander	Marshall	(Taylor)	Guentchev	(Harvey)	(Matthews)	(Thorpe)	(Thomas)
Sat Aug 26	LEICESTER CITY	1-1	7,612	16	Sommer	(James)	M.JOHNSON	S.Davis	HUGHES	(Oldfield)	Linton	Marshall	(Taylor)	G.JOHNSON	Harvey	(Guentchev)	(Thorpe)	(Peake)
Tue Aug 29	Grimsby Town	0-0	4,289	11	K.Davis	James	M.Johnson	S.Davis	Alexander	(Oldfield)	(Linton)	Guentchev	(Marshall)	G.JOHNSON	Harvey	(Taylor)	(Woodsford)	(Peake)
Sat Sep 2	DERBY COUNTY	1-2	6,427	17	K.Davis	James	M.Johnson	S.Davis	(Alexander)	(Oldfield)	MARSHALL	(Guentchev)	Taylor	G.JOHNSON	Harvey	(Woodsford)	(Thorpe)	(Peake)
Tue Sep 5	PERUGIA AIC	1-4	2,352	-	K.Davis	James	Skelton	S.Davis	Evers	(Thorpe)	Linton	(GUENTCHEV)	(Oldfield)	Hughes	Harvey	(Marshall)	(Waddock)	(W'ford)
Sat Sep 9	Reading	1-3	8,550	20	K.Davis	James	M.Johnson	S.Davis	Waddock	Alexander	(Linton)	MARSHALL	Oldfield	G.JOHNSON	Harvey	Evers	Peake	(Gu'chev)
Wed Sep 13	Millwall	0-1	7,076	22	Feuer	Peake	(M.Johnson)	S.Davis	(Waddock)	Vilstrup	Linton	Marshall	Oldfield	Guentchev	Harvey	G.JOHNSON	Evers	(James)
Sat Sep 16	SUNDERLAND	0-2	6,955	23	Feuer	Peake	James	S.Davis	Hughes	(Vilstrup)	(Linton)	Marshall	Oldfield	Hughes	Harvey	Greene	(Taylor)	(Gu'chev)
Sat Sep 23	Wolverhampton Wanderers	0-0	23,659	24	Feuer	Peake	M.Johnson	S.Davis	Hughes	(Vilstrup)	Alexander	Marshall	(Taylor)	Guentchev	Harvey	(Waddock)	James	(Oldfield)
Sat Sep 30	PORTSMOUTH	3-1	7,795	23	Feuer	Peake	M.Johnson	S.DAVIS	Waddock	McLaren	Alexander	Marshall	Oakes	GUENTCHEV	Harvey	(Waddock)	(James)	Oldfield
Sat Oct 7	Tranmere Rovers	0-1	6,680	24	Feuer	Peake	M.Johnson	S.Davis	Hughes	Vilstrup	Linton	Oakes	(Oldfield)	Guentchev	Harvey	(Oldfield)	James	G.Johnson's
Wed Oct 11	Genoa AIC	0-4	3,759	-	K.Davis	(James)	M.Johnson	S.Davis	Waddock	Hughes	(Vilstrup)	(Alexander)	MARSHALL	Woodsford	HARVEY	Guentchev	(James)	McLaren
Sat Oct 14	WEST BROMWICH ALBION	1-2	8,042	24	Feuer	(Peake)	M.JOHNSON	S.Davis	Hughes	(Vilstrup)	Alexander	Marshall	Oldfield	HARVEY	Guentchev	(James)	(Oldfield)	
Sun Oct 22	Ipswich Town	1-0	9,123	21	Feuer	Peake	M.Johnson	S.Davis	Hughes	(Vilstrup)	Alexander	(Oakes)	OLDFIELD	(Marshall)	Harvey	(Waddock)	(G.Johnson)	(Gu'chev)
Sun Oct 29	CHARLTON ATHLETIC	0-1	6,270	22	Feuer	Peake	M.Johnson	S.Davis	Hughes	(Vilstrup)	(Alexander)	Oakes	Oldfield	Marshall	Harvey	(Linton)	(Riseth)	(Gu'chev)
Sat Nov 4	Stoke City	0-5	9,382	24	Feuer	Peake	G.Johnson	S.Davis	Hughes	(Vilstrup)	Alexander	Oakes	Riseth	Marshall	Harvey	(Oldfield)	James	McLaren
Wed Nov 8	Cesena AIC	1-2	461	-	K.Davis	(Patterson)	Upson	S.Davis	Hughes	(McLaren)	Alexander	(Oakes)	Riseth	MARSHALL	Harvey	Cheney	(Douglas)	(Simpson)
Sat Nov 11	OLDHAM ATHLETIC	1-1	6,047	23	Feuer	Peake	M.JOHNSON	S.Davis	Hughes	(McLaren)	Alexander	(Oakes)	Riseth	DOUGLAS	Harvey	(Patterson)	James	(Oldfield)
Sat Nov 18	BIRMINGHAM CITY	0-0	7,920	23	Feuer	Peake	M.JOHNSON	James	Hughes	(McLaren)	Alexander	Oakes	Riseth	(Marshall)	Harvey	(Douglas)	(Thorpe)	Oldfield
Tue Nov 21	Watford	1-1	10,042	23	Feuer	Peake	M.Johnson	(S.DAVIS)	Hughes	(McLaren)	(James)	Oakes	Riseth	(Marshall)	Harvey	(Douglas)	(Patters')	
Sat Nov 25	Barnsley	0-1	6,437	23	Feuer	Peake	M.Johnson	Patterson	Hughes	(McLAREN)	James	Oakes	(Riseth)	(Marshall)	Harvey	(Douglas)	(Thorpe)	(Alex'der)
Sat Dec 2	TRANMERE ROVERS	3-2	6,025	23	Feuer	Alexander	M.JOHNSON	Waddock	Hughes	(McLAREN)	James	Oakes	Thorpe	MARSHALL 2	Harvey	Guentchev	Riseth	Cheney
Sun Dec 10	WOLVERHAMPTON W	2-3	6,997	24	K.Davis	Patterson	M.JOHNSON	Waddock	Hughes	(McLaren)	S.DAVIS	OAKES	Thorpe	MARSHALL	Harvey	(Guentchev)	(Taylor)	Alex'der
Wed Dec 13	ANCONA AIC	5-0	2,091	-	K.Davis	Patterson	M.JOHNSON	S.Davis	Waddock	(McLaren)	(Linton)	OAKES	TAYLOR	MARSHALL	(Harvey)	(THORPE)	(GUENTCHEV)	(Thomas)
Sat Dec 16	Portsmouth	0-4	7,012	24	Feuer	Patterson	M.Johnson	S.Davis	Waddock	McLaren	(Alexander)	Oakes	Taylor	Marshall	(Harvey)	(Thorpe)	K.Davis	(Thomas)
Sat Dec 23	HUDDERSFIELD TOWN	2-2	7,076	24	Feuer	Patterson	Thomas	Waddock	S.Davis	McLaren	(McLaren)	Oakes	(Taylor)	MARSHALL	(Thorpe)	(OLDFIELD)	(Guentchev)	(Harvey)
Sat Jan 6	Grimsby Town FA3	1-7	5,387	-	Feuer	Patterson	Thomas	Waddock	S.Davis	McLaren	(Guentchev)	Oakes	Oldfield	(McLaren)	MARSHALL	Harvey	(Thorpe)	(Alex'der)
Sat Jan 13	SOUTHEND UNITED	3-1	6,566	24	Feuer	James	Thomas	Waddock	S.Davis	McLaren	GUENTCHEV	(OAKES 2)	(Taylor)	Alexander	Thorpe	(Oldfield)	Riseth	(Harvey)
Sat Jan 20	Norwich City	1-0	12,474	23	Feuer	James	Thomas	Waddock	S.Davis	McLaren	GUENTCHEV	(Oakes)	Taylor	Alexander	Harvey	(Oldfield)	Thorpe	Patterson
Wed Jan 31	SHEFFIELD UNITED	1-0	6,995	21	Feuer	Patterson	Thomas	Waddock	S.Davis	McLaren	GUENTCHEV	(Oakes)	Taylor	Alexander	(Thorpe)	(Oldfield)	(Harvey)	(Hughes)
Sat Feb 3	Leicester City	1-1	14,821	21	Feuer	Patterson	Thomas	Waddock	S.Davis	McLaren	THORPE	(Hughes)	(Taylor)	Alexander	Harvey	(Linton)	(Riseth)	(Marshall)
Sat Feb 10	GRIMSBY TOWN	3-2	7,158	20	Feuer	James	Thomas	Waddock	S.Davis	McLaren	GUENTCHEV	Hughes	(Taylor)	ALEXANDER	(Thorpe)	(Oldfield)	(MARSHALL)	Harvey
Sat Feb 17	MILLWALL	1-0	7,308	19	Feuer	James	Thomas	Waddock	S.Davis	McLaren	BONTCHO	GUENTCHEV	Hughes	(Taylor)	ALEXANDER	(Oldfield)	(Harvey)	(Marshall)
Wed Feb 21	Derby County	1-1	14,825	17	Feuer	James	Thomas	Waddock	S.Davis	McLaren	MARSHALL	Hughes	Oldfield	Alexander	(Thorpe)	(Guentchev)	M.Johnson	(Riseth)
Sat Feb 24	Sunderland	0-1	16,693	19	Feuer	James	Thomas	Waddock	S.Davis	McLaren	Guentchev	(Hughes)	(Marshall)	Alexander	(Harvey)	(Thorpe)	(Taylor)	(Riseth)
Tue Feb 27	READING																	
Sat Mar 2	CRYSTAL PALACE																	
Sat Mar 9	Huddersfield Town																	
Sat Mar 16	PORT VALE																	
Tue Mar 19	Crystal Palace																	
Sat Mar 23	Sheffield United																	
Sat Mar 30	IPSWICH TOWN																	
Tue Apr 2	West Bromwich Albion																	
Fri Apr 5	Charlton Athletic																	
Tue Apr 9	STOKE CITY																	
Sat Apr 13	Birmingham City																	
Sat Apr 20	WATFORD																	
Sat Apr 27	BARNESLEY																	
Sat May 4	Oldham Athletic																	
TBA	Port Vale																	
Name in CAPITALS denotes goalscorer.																		
In (brackets) denotes player substituted or substitute used.																		
ENDSLEIGH LEAGUE DIVISION ONE																		
		P	W	D	L	F	A	PTS	PLAYER (figure in bracket = sub app.)	LEAGUE APPS	LEAGUE GOALS	CUP APPS	CUP GOALS	PLAYER (figure in bracket = sub app.)	LEAGUE APPS	LEAGUE GOALS	CUP APPS	CUP GOALS
Derby County		32	16	11	5	52	35	59	Kelvin DAVIS	5	4			Rob MATTHEWS	5 (2)			
Charlton Athletic		31	13	13	5	45	33	52	Mitchell THOMAS	10 (2)	2 (2)			Des LINTON	5 (2)			
Sunderland		31	13	12	6	35	25	51	Marvin JOHNSON	25	5			Gavin JOHNSON	5 (1)			
Huddersfield T		31	13	10	8	43	34	49	Gary WADDOCK	19 (4)	3 (1)			Jamie WOODSFORD	1 (2)			
Stoke City		30	12	10	8	41	34	46	Ceri HUGHES	21 (1)	1	2		Aaron SKELTON				
Leicester City		31	11	12	8	47	43	45	Trevor PEAKE	14 (3)				Sean EVERE				
Barnsley		31	11	11	9	40	45	44	Graham ALEXANDER	24 (1)	1	3 (2)		Ian FEUER	24			
Southend Utd		31	12	8	11	35	39	44	David OLDFIELD	14 (10)	2	5		Johnny VILSTRUP	6			
Millwall		33	11	11	11	33	41	44	Tony THORPE	10 (8)	3	2 (4)	1	Paul MCLAREN	9	1	4	
Ipswich Town		30	11	10	9	53	44	43	Bontcho GUENTCHEV	14 (8)	6	5 (1)	2	Scott OAKES	15	3	4	1
Crystal Palace		30	10	12	8	39	38	42	Richard HARVEY	25 (4)	1	6		Vidar RISETH	5 (4)			
Portsmouth		33	10	10	13	52	53	40	John TAYLOR	13 (5)		3	1	Darren PATTERSON	9 (2)			
Birmingham City		29	10	10	9	38	38	40	Juergen SOMMER	2				Matthew UPSON				
Norwich City		32	10	9	13	43	42	39	Steve DAVIS	26	2	6		Stuart DOUGLAS	2 (2)	1	(1)	
Grimsby Town		30	9	12	9	35	37	39	Dwight MARSHALL	23 (3)	9	5 (1)	4	Gary SIMPSON				
Wolves		31	9	11	11	42	42	38	Julian JAMES	16 (3)		4						
Tranmere Rovers		31	9	10	12													

TODAY'S OFFICIALS

Today's referee is

PAUL REJER, from Tipton,
in the West Midlands.

Mr Rejer is a Sales Executive, and was a linesman at the 1994 FA Cup Final between Manchester United and Chelsea. He refereed the home match against Portsmouth earlier this season.

D S Bryan

J J Ross

MIDWEEK MATCHES IN DIVISION ONE

Tonight's other games

Barnsley v Millwall

Crystal Palace v Birmingham C

Southend Utd v Sunderland

Tomorrow

Leicester C v Derby County

Norwich City v Sheffield Utd

Stoke City v Watford

Note: A number of midweek Division One games have been postponed due to FA Cup replays.

TEAM CHECK

LUTON TOWN

Manager: Lennie Lawrence

Ian FEUER

1 Borislav MIHAIROV

Julian JAMES

2 Martin BOOTY

Mitchell THOMAS

3 Mick GOODING

Gary WADDOCK

4 Dariusz WDOWCZYK

David OLDFIELD

5 Adrian WILLIAMS

Marvin JOHNSON

6 Jeff HOPKINS

Bontcho GUENTCHEV

7 Michael MEAKER

Ceri HUGHES

8 Lee NOGAN

Dwight MARSHALL

9 Phil PARKINSON

Graham ALEXANDER

10 Stuart LOVELL

Richard HARVEY

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