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GOOD AFTERNOON...

There is always something special about the first round of the FA Cup. Non League sides hoping to be giant killers, teams from the lower divisions, like ourselves hoping to cause a major upset and in the FA Cup these dreams can become reality. With that in mind we welcome Luton Town, and I would like to extend a special welcome to Lennie Lawrence, who gave me my first professional contract 18 years ago when he was caretaker manager of Plymouth Argyle. Congratulations to Lennie for his October Manager of the Month award (sore subject for myself). Also welcome to Clive Goodyear, Luton's physio, and Dwight Marshall, who is well on the road to recovery after unfortunately breaking his leg last season.

It's good to have Saturday free from League football, as it gives us all time to reflect on what we have achieved so far

this season. Along with our shortcomings, we all know what's needed for us to progress and we are trying hard to keep the momentum going. Naturally, we were upset to have dropped 3 points last Saturday, however the overall performance was good, goals against the run of play were our undoing. I was as frustrated as all you supporters with all the goalscoring opportunities that went begging. On another day, the scoreline could have been so different and in our favour. One pleasing note was the fact that Matthew Wright came through his debut with much credit.

Well done to Steve, Peter Distin and all the Youth team for progressing through the first round of the FA Youth Cup on Wednesday night against Exeter City. Their emphatic 7 - 0 victory was well deserved.

Although our results in the League are of paramount importance, we all know a good Cup run is financially beneficial to a small club like ours, it creates interest for you the supporters, so please get behind the lads and

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WELCOME TO ALL for this, the first cup competition of the year.

Thankfully we are drawn against a Nationwide League side for the second year running thereby laying to rest once and for all, the bogey of being knocked out in the first round proper by a non-league side! The boot today is on the other foot in that our opponents are playing against the underdog minnow. (That would be a strange looking creature!).

I think I speak for us all when I say that cup football is a welcome relief from the week to week league battle and this is what makes the competition so fascinating. The theory is that the lowliest amateur side in the land has the chance to actually win the FA Cup and, though many of us are quite realistic about it, this little bit of magic is what sets it apart from probably any other competition in the world. Our target is simple – it will be a fair achievement to beat

Luton Town and that is as far as our ambition goes – but then again don't book a holiday away on May 4th!

I sincerely hope that the home attendance is somewhat better than for our last league match, we have shown that we are ambitious and we now need the people of South Devon to show us that they share in our hopes of promotion. I have asked for comment on our attendance plight and little has been said that is constructive even to the extent and I am to blame for giving away the Pop Side to Birmingham and Plymouth. I suppose it's fair comment but why did it take so long to sink in with the stayaways?

Anyway welcome to all from Luton and I trust that you will all enjoy the match.

Mike Bateson

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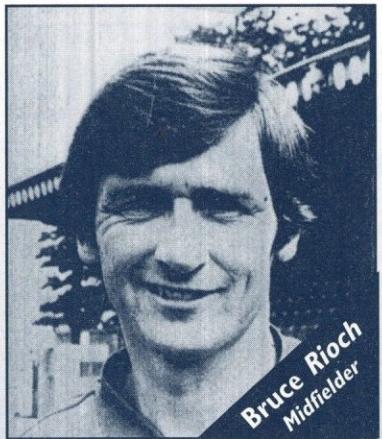
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Aston Villa	1969-74	154	34
Derby County	1974-76	106	34
Everton	1976-77	30	3
Derby County	1977-79	41	4
Birmingham City (loan)	1978	3	0
Sheffield United (loan)	1979	8	1
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Scotland	24 Caps	6 Goals	

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spotlight on *three*

AFTER ONE DEFEAT in eight games, our recent run of three defeats in five games have been a disappointment and on Saturday last our defeat here by Colchester left us without a win against the U's in our last five home games against them. This was also Colchester's first away win of the season and they have now moved into midtable after being unbeaten in their last three games.

The Division's leading scorer Mick Conroy was in a hurry to add to his tally on Saturday as he got his 15th goal of the season in the very first minute of the game against Cardiff. He has now equalled last season's tally even though the season has not reached the midway stage. Saturday's 2-1 win confirmed Fulham's place at

the top of the League and they have now won six and drawn one of their eight games since losing at home to us.

With Paul Clark now taking over as caretaker manager after Tommy Taylor's move to Orient, Cambridge stayed in the hunt with their third win in a row, 2-1 against Swansea, Scott McGleish (who was on loan to Colchester from Peterborough last season) getting his third goal in five games.

Another managerial change followed by a win has taken place at Hartlepool where Mick Tait's first game in charge in succession to Keith Houcheen coincided with a 4-2 win at Scarborough that ended a lean spell of just one point in their previous eight games.

Quickly settling in at Wigan, his eighth Football League club, Andy Saville has just scored in successive wins, 3-0 over Carlisle and 4-2 against Hereford to take his career tally to 117 while sharpshooter Graeme Jones took his season's tally to 14 on Saturday as Wigan maintained their position as leading scorers in Division Three with 33 goals to date.

Still the only Third Division club without an away win, Rochdale lost 3-2 at Barnet on Saturday as the home side kept in the running for a play-off place as they extended their unbeaten run to five games. Sean Devine got his tenth goal of the season for the Boss and is well on the way to at least equalling last season's tally of 20 goals.

They still have a long way to go but bottom place Brighton have cheered their long suffering fans a little with only one defeat in their last four games after losing six games in a row. On Saturday they drew 1-1 with Mansfield with Denny Mundee becoming the first Brighton player this season to score in two successive games. Mansfield have now taken more points from away games than home games this season (11 compared with 9), a distinction they share with Hull (14 compared with 10) and Fulham (22 compared with 18).

Meanwhile today's visitors Luton took their current unbeaten run to 13 League and Cup games with Saturday's 2-0 win over Notts County with striker Tony Thorpe getting his 11th goal of the season.

Nationwide League Division III

	P	Home			Goals			W	D	L	Goals			Pts
		W	D	L	F	A	F				F	A	F	
Fulham	18	6	0	3	16	9	7	1	1	14	5	40		
Cambridge	18	6	1	2	15	10	5	2	2	13	11	36		
Wigan	18	8	0	1	21	8	3	2	4	12	13	35		
Carlisle	18	5	2	2	13	8	3	4	2	10	9	30		
Scarborough	18	4	4	1	14	11	3	4	2	15	12	29		
TORQUAY	18	6	1	2	12	6	2	3	4	10	12	28		
Cardiff	17	5	1	3	14	10	3	3	2	7	6	28		
Barnet	18	4	4	1	13	7	3	3	3	6	6	28		
Lincoln	18	4	3	2	13	9	4	0	5	12	15	27		
Chester	17	5	2	1	13	7	2	3	4	6	11	26		
Hull	18	2	4	3	8	13	3	5	1	8	6	24		
Northampton	18	4	2	3	14	8	2	3	4	10	11	23		
Colchester	18	4	4	1	12	8	1	4	4	9	14	23		
Rochdale	18	5	2	2	13	6	0	5	4	10	16	22		
Doncaster	18	4	1	4	11	10	2	2	5	9	13	21		
Hereford	18	4	2	3	12	8	2	1	6	8	17	21		
Scunthorpe	18	4	1	4	12	12	2	2	5	8	13	21		
Mansfield	18	2	3	4	6	7	2	5	2	12	13	20		
Swansea	18	4	3	2	13	8	1	2	6	5	16	20		
Exeter City	18	4	2	3	12	10	2	0	7	6	16	20		
Leyton Orient	18	3	4	2	6	4	2	1	6	7	13	20		
Hardepool	18	2	3	4	12	14	3	0	6	8	11	18		
Darlington	18	3	3	3	13	12	1	1	7	9	20	16		
Brighton	18	2	4	3	11	13	1	0	8	4	20	13		

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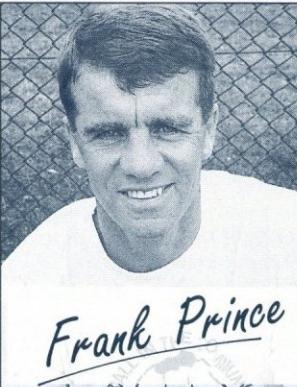
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The Community Scheme broke new ground this week when the phone rang – I immediately recognised the Bristolian accent. It was a Torquay United supporter called Richard Shaw who works at Dover Court Adult Community Resource Centre, Horfield Bristol. Having been at the Colchester game last week he read in the programme about our 6-A-Side Competition for people with learning difficulties (see this page). Richard wanted to know if his Resource Centre could enter a team in the competition. We will be only too pleased for his Centre to take part. It's nice to see the Community Scheme spreading its wings!



6-A-Side Competition For People With Learning Difficulties

We are running two six-a-side competitions for people with learning difficulties – for adults on Friday, 29th November and for Children U.14s on Friday, December 6th at the Acorn Centre, Barton Downs, Torquay. Both start at 11 am.

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A series of articles by the Editor of PROGRAMME MONTHLY magazine describing the different varieties of programmes that can form a collection.

11. First and Last

Collectors of programmes issued by clubs in their last season of membership of The Football League invariably feel like spectres at the feast.

The last League programme before failing to be re-elected, or resigning from the League in financial ruin, is hardly a celebratory document.

Far happier are the first League match programmes issued by clubs who replace the departed, and both types are extremely collectable as well as being of some football historical significance.

In general, programmes throughout the first or last season of league clubs are of greater interest to collectors, and therefore more valuable, than ordinary League issues.

Taking the dear departed first of all (those who replaced them will be considered in the next match programme), one has to have a great deal of luck - and deep pockets - to be in possession of pre-war issues from Thames, Merthyr Town, Aberdare and so forth.

They do exist - but in single numbers only, some seventy years after their clubs drew their last League breath.

First to fall after the war were New Brighton, replaced by Workington in 1951, and their red and white issues still appear on the market, albeit fetching offers in excess of £20.

Gateshead and Accrington Stanley were next to leave the League, and remain reasonably plentiful, albeit home programmes now appearing only on offer; which in any case they would warrant by their age, irrespective of their significance in terms of League membership.

Accrington issues were never the hardest to come by in the 1950s and have survived well. They were reasonably substantial items of 20 or 24 pages, albeit completely dominated by advertisements.

Gateshead programmes were smaller in page number, but often

appear on superior quality paper, so they too have survived the passing decades.

More northern clubs fell at the end of the 1960s and early 1970s - Bradford Park Avenue, Barrow, Southport and Workington.

Their home programmes remain reasonably plentiful and are sold at roughly double the value of contemporary League programmes.

Collectors have been sweeping up these issues in recent years, and their value will certainly appreciate in the near future, as demand for them continues.

While the dwindling home support for these ex-League clubs will collect fewer programmes as they suffer non-league football, new generations of collectors of the League teams they played maintain the demand for these programmes.

For more than a decade, there were no new instances of "Last Season League programmes." despite annual scare stories about the perilous financial position of lowly clubs.

Eventually, however, Aldershot and Maidstone United succumbed. The introduction of promotion and relegation from and to the Conference also increased the collecting set.

Darlington, Colchester United and Lincoln City fell, happily to return after only one season. Halifax Town still languish.

Only the games' legislators have saved Torquay United, Northampton Town and Exeter City in recent seasons, although doubts about their ability to beat the drop result in a disproportionate interest in their current season programmes from collectors anxious to steal a march - and beat the increased prices - of "Last Season" League programmes.

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F.A. Youth Cup 1st round

Exeter City 0 Torquay United 7

(Hockley 2, Thomas, Hapgood, Bedeau, Jennings, o.g.)

An away day to be proud of. The lads played with determination and a spirit which will be hard to match for the rest of the season. As complete a performance as I can ever remember from a Youth team in such an important game against opponents who were by no means a poor side. A special mention must go to Tremayne Wesley our 15 year old goalkeeper, standing in for the injured Matthew Gregg, who just typified our performance - assured and confident in everything he had to do.

Team: T.Wesley, C. Hogg, D. Smillie, L. Hapgood, W. Thomas, P. Froude, I. Tucker, R. Gomm, W. Hockley, T. Bedeau and S. Tully.

Subs: S. Hadley, P. Jennings and Justin Newell

9 mins. A free kick from the right by Chris Hogg resulted in Wayne Thomas shooting us ahead from 10 yards.

32 mins. A run down the left by Tony Bedeau who crossed for Wayne Hockley to head home a wonderful second goal.

41 mins. A defence splitting pass by Hogg set Bedeau free on the right and his shot only parried by the keeper was turned home by Hockley.

44 mins. Great work by Bedeau and then Hockley resulted in Hapgood heading the ball home from virtually on the goal line to give us a comfortable half time lead.

46 mins. Straight from the kick off the game was made safe as Bedeau again outstripped the defence to see his dangerous cross turned home by the defender.

60 mins. Bedeau once again teases the Exeter defence and is brought down for a penalty which he dispatches with confidence.

88 mins. A corner from the right, driven in by Duncan Smillie is headed home by Paul Jennings, a second half substitute for Lee Tucker.

A result and performance which gives everyone a lift for the tough months ahead. Lets just hope the draw is kind to us to give the lads a chance to show you what they can do at Plainmoor.

Bournemouth 0 Torquay United 5

(9/11/96)

(Bedeau, Powell, Froude, Hockley, Hapgood)

Team: T.Wesley, C. Hogg, D. Smillie, L. Hapgood, D. Powell, P. Froude, P. Jennings, R. Gomm, W. Hockley, T. Bedeau and S. Tully.

Subs: S. Hadley, I. Tucker, J. Newell, K. Martin and J. Moores.

A game which started brightly with Tony Bedeau giving us the lead within a minute ended with us having only ten men on the field following the sending off of Paul Jennings. To the boys credit they stuck together and as often happens they made up for the deficit and went on to win comfortably. David Powell scored his first goal for us with a fine header from Smillie's corner. This was followed by a similar goal from Paul Froude before Jennings was given his marching orders. Half time 3 - 0.

The second half saw us play our best football of the season, with only ten men, and we added another two goals from Wayne Hockley and Leon Hapgood. A great achievement and one made all the more satisfying as Wesley Tremayne, making his debut, kept a clean sheet.

P.S. Please don't forget this
MONDAY 18th November

SOUTH WEST COUNTIES YOUTH LEAGUE

Torquay United v Swansea City (at Plainmoor)
kick off 12.30 pm



Steve McCall

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South West Counties League 1996/97

Fixture List

August	24	Exeter City	Won 4-1
September	31	BASHLEY	Won 7-0
	7	HEREFORD UTD	Drew 1-1
	14	BRISTOL CITY	Won 7-0
	21	PLYMOUTH ARGYLE	Won 3-1
October	12	CHELTENHAM TOWN	Won 2-0
	26	CIRENCESTER TOWN	Won 2-1
November	9	AFC BOURNEMOUTH	Won 5-0
Wed. 7.30	13	Exeter City F.A. Youth League	A
	16	EXETER CITY	H
	23	Bashley	A
Mon 12.30	18	SWANSEA CITY	H
	23	Bashley	A
Wed 2pm	27	SWINDON	H
	30	HEREFORD UNITED	H
December	7	BRISTOL CITY	H
	14	Plymouth Argyle	A
	21	Cardiff City	A
January	4	CARDIFF CITY	H
	11	SWANSEA CITY	H
	18	CHELTENHAM TOWN	H
	25	Swindon Town	A
February	1	Cirencester Town	A

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South West Counties Youth League Table

Played	Won	Drawn	Lost	Goals	Points
				F	A
CARDIFF CITY	5	5	0	0	17 3 15
TORQUAY UNITED	5	4	1	0	22 3 13
SWANSEA CITY	4	3	0	1	11 7 9
HEREFORD UNITED	5	2	2	1	7 4 8
PLYMOUTH ARGYLE	5	2	2	1	9 5 8
BASHLEY	5	2	1	2	7 12 7
SWINDON TOWN	5	1	2	2	3 7 5
CIRENCESTER	4	1	1	2	3 8 4
CHELTENHAM A	5	1	1	3	8 7 4
BRISTOL CITY	5	1	1	3	5 15 4
EXETER CITY	5	0	2	3	6 16 2
BOURNEMOUTH	5	0	1	4	3 14 1

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1929

A goal by tiny winger Harry Waller earns us a point against Queens Park Rangers at Loftus Road. Although under pressure for most of the game our defence remains a solid unit throughout with centre-half Sid Cann outstanding.

Luton, who had drawn 2-2 on their visit to Plainmoor three weeks ago, also draw 1-1 when Swindon are the visitors to Kenilworth Road.

1946

We visit Ninian Park to meet Third South leaders Cardiff and cause the Bluebirds many anxious moments before losing to a 70th minute goal scored by City's Rees. Jerry Matier, signed only 48 hours before the kick-off, has a solid debut in goal.

Luton's fine 3-2 victory over second-placed Tottenham at Kenilworth Road moves them away from the lower reaches of Division Two.

1957

Our trepidation after hearing the 1st Round FA Cup draw is confirmed after only 45 minutes of our tie at renowned Cup giantkillers Peterborough. In those 45 minutes we had been comprehensively outplayed and could have trailed by more than the three goals which the Posh had despatched into our net. Whatever Manager Eric Webber said to his troops during the interval had the desired effect and within twelve minutes of the restart we had pulled back two goals. Ernie Pym (pictured), playing like a man possessed, slams in the first following a Larry Baxter drive which is parried by the goalkeeper and Eric Johnson heads in from a Baxter corner. We swarm all around the Peterborough goal and Pym hits a superb equaliser with 15 minutes remaining to silence all but the three hundred United supporters in a crowd of 17,800. We win the replay 1-0 on the following Wednesday. Our side is: Peter Wakeham, Colin Bethany, Harry Smith, Jimmy James, Griff Norman, Norman Clarke, Baxter, Johnson, George Northcott, Don Mills, Pym.

Despite a 3-0 defeat against Newcastle at Kenilworth Road, Luton occupy a healthy seventh place in Division One.

1963

Our F.A. Cup tie against the Athenian League amateurs Barnet has all the thrills and spills associated with the world's greatest Cup competition. From very early in the game our goalkeeper Terry Adlington is in trouble with a damaged wrist sustained whilst diving at a Barnet forward's feet. He labours on in goal until the interval by which time we are 3-1 ahead courtesy of two cracking shots by Dave Hancock and a Tommy Northcott header. After the break Adlington resumes at centre-forward with full-back George Allen in goal. Jack Swindells makes it 4-1 with a

16th November

52nd minute penalty but all the real drama is reserved for the last 4 minutes. Robin Stubbs scores our fifth and then the pain turns to pleasure for Adlington when he scores our sixth. There is still time for Barnet to score their second but Adlington is still the only specialist United goalkeeper to score from open play to date.

Luton negotiate a tricky first round tie at Bridgwater. Among their scorers in their 3-0 win is long serving Hatter, Gordon Turner.

1968

Another tricky first round tie for the Gulls as we visit Hereford whose player-manager is the legendary John Charles. The Southern League side is on top for most of the game but we defend well and Andy Donnelly is only called upon to make a save on one or two occasions. Robin Stubbs has the best chance to win the game but fires over with only the Hereford keeper to beat but we are more than happy to bring them back to Plainmoor for the replay.

Luton meet non-league Ware at Kenilworth Road and must have feared the worst when going in at half time with a goalless scoreline. But the Hatters are rampant after the interval and substitute Keith Allen scores a hat-trick, having only appeared in the 60th minute, in their 6-1 victory.

1985

An early goal by John Durham gives us the edge in our cup-tie at Windsor and Eton. But a scrappy and at times over physical game is set alight when Woods scores a second half equaliser and we are well pleased to earn the Plainmoor replay.

1991

Luton suffer a rare defeat at Kenilworth Road when a Dave Bowman goal gives Coventry the points. However David Pleat's excellent footballing side is enjoying a good season in Division One and occupy a healthy eleventh position in the table.

Luton visit White Hart Lane and take the lead just before the interval through Mick Harford. But two goals each for Scott Houghton and Gary Lineker give the Spurs a 4-1 victory and send the Hatters to the foot of Division One.



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Birth Place & Date: Hammersmith 28.11.73

Family Details: Engaged to Sonya, Two Children - Charlie 5 & Talia 2

Previous Clubs: Yeading & Cardiff City

Best Ground Played at: St. Andrews - Birmingham City

Worst Ground Played at: St. James' Park - Exeter City

Best Moment in Football: When I made my League debut

Most Memorable Match Played in: The game in which I scored my first professional goal

Worst Moment in Football: Too many to mention last season

Biggest Influence on Career: Eddie May, who signed me on my first professional contract

Favourite All Time Player: Paul Gascoigne & Paul Ince

Club Supported as a Boy: Queens Park Rangers

Best Friend in Football (other than at this Club): Paul Miller at Linfield, Northern Ireland

Person You Would Most Like to Meet: Robert De Niro & Al Pacino

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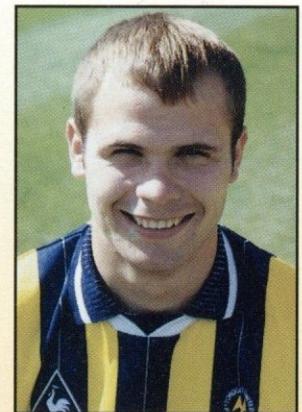
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LUTON TOWN HISTORY

Founded in 1885 and turning professional in 1890, the 'Hatters' have had 23 managers since 1925 including Lennie Lawrence the present manager.

Their biggest F.A. Cup win was 9-0 against Clapham on 30th November 1927 in the first round. The biggest league win was against Bristol Rovers whom they beat 12-0 on 13.4.1936 in a Division 3(S) game to create a divisional record. Their heaviest defeat in the F.A. Cup came on 16th January 1929 against Crystal Palace who beat them 0-7.

In the 1936/37 season Luton scored the most goals in one season, in the Club's history. A total of 103 of which Joe Payne scored 55. He also scored 3 goals that season in the F.A. Cup.

In January 1995, Luton received £2,500,000 for John Hartson from Arsenal, this created the record transfer fee received. The record transfer fee paid by Luton was in August 1989 when they paid Odense £650,000 for Lars Elstrup.

Luton Town have played in all four divisions of the League since they rejoined the Football League in 1920, when the Southern League became part of the Football League. This after first joining the League in 1897 and spending 3 years in the then 2nd Division. Between 1982 and 1992 Luton played in the First Division gaining their highest placing in 1987 when they finished in 7th place. They were Champions of the Second Division in 1981/82, Division 3 South in 1936/37 and Division 4 in 1967/68. Their best record in the F.A. Cup was in 1958/59 when they reached the final, only to be beaten 1 - 2 by Nottingham Forest. They have however, won the League Cup beating Arsenal 3 - 2 in 1988.

Bob Morton has made the most appearances for Luton Town, between 1948 and 1964 he played 550 times including 48 F.A. Cup appearances. The most capped Luton Town player is Mal Donaghy who played 58 times for Northern Ireland. Trevor Peake became the oldest player to play for Luton, when he played on 27th February this year, aged 39 years and 17 days. The youngest player was Mike O'Hara, who when he played on 1st October 1960 was just 16 years and 32 days old.

PAUL SHOWLER - Midfield/Forward
Born: Doncaster 10.10.66 Signed in August 1996 from Bradford City where he played under current Luton boss Lennie Lawrence. Played non league football for Altrincham and Barnet, with league appearances for the latter following their promotion from the Conference. Scored his first goal for the Hatters on the 3-1 win over Walsall in October 1996.

KELVIN DAVIS - Goalkeeper
Born: Bedford 29.9.76 Kelvin is a highly rated keeper who made his league debut for the Hatters on the final day of the 1993/94 season in a 2-2 draw at Stoke. He spent a month on loan at Torquay in September/October 1994, before winning a place in the Luton starting line-up in March. With Juergen Sommer on international duty, Kelvin made his home debut in the televised 'derby' with Watford, saving a penalty in the 1-1 draw. He kept his place until the end of the season, and also won two England youth caps. Kelvin was selected for the England Under-21 squad for the Toulon Tournament in June 1995. Signed new four-year contract in June 1995 and was again in England Under-21 squad throughout the 95/96 season.

IAN FEUER - Goalkeeper
Born: Las Vegas 20.5.71 Ian signed for the Hatters from West Ham in December 1995, for a fee which could rise to £580,000 depending on appearances. The 6ft 7ins American arrived at Luton in September, and spent three months on loan. Was Luton's Player of the Year for the 95/96 season. At West Ham he was understudy to Ludek Miklosko, but never played a first team game and due to restrictions on overseas players was kept off the bench by Les Scaley. His Luton debut wasn't his league debut though, as he was on loan to Peterborough in 1994/95, playing 16 games in Division Two. Spotted by West Ham playing in Belgium, although he actually signed from Los Angeles Salsas.

CERI HUGHES - Midfield

Born: Rhonda Valley 26.2.71 Ceri was a regular in the Town midfield in 1993/94 season, and his performance earned a call-up to the full Welsh side. He made his Luton debut at Aston Villa in 1990, and has also represented his country at youth and Under-21 levels. Scored seven goals in the 1993/94 season, but damaged knee ligaments against Grimsby in November 1994 and was ruled out for the rest of the campaign after just eight league starts. Made his comeback against Norwich on the opening day of the 95/96 season, but suspension and injury plagued his 95/96 campaign. Played for Wales in Albania in November 1995. Had a trial period at Crystal Palace in summer 96, but they decided against a deal.

RICHARD HARVEY - Defender

Born: Letchworth 17.4.69 Richard resurrected his Town career in 1994/95 after two years plagued by injury. The former England youth international missed the entire 1993/94 season after a cruciate knee ligament operation, and made his first appearance of the following campaign at Barnsley in January. His appearance at home to Watford in March 1995 was his first at Kenilworth Road for three years, and he held the left back position for the remainder of the season. A regular on the left side of defence/midfield for the first half of the season, he lost his place to Mitchell Thomas after the arrival of Lennie Lawrence as manager. Suffered with another knee ligament injury in the 96/97 pre season campaign.

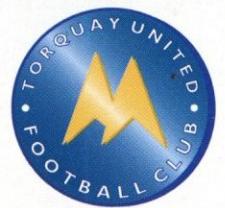
JULIAN JAMES - Defender

Born: Tring 22.3.70 Julian joined Luton as a trainee, and was introduced to First Division football in 1988, but was sent off on his full debut in a Littlewoods Cup win at Leeds in November of that year. A former England Under-21 international, he was a regular at left back in the 1993/94 season, but made the right back position his own in 1994/95 with a string of consistent displays which earned him the Player of the Year award from the Loyal Luton Supporters club. Was in and out of the side at the start of the 95/96 campaign, before an extended run at right back after Christmas. Granted a benefit match in 1996.

MARVIN JOHNSON - Defender

Born: Wembley 29.10.68 Marvin made his Football League debut against Wimbledon in 1988, and quickly established himself as a versatile defender. Started the 1994/95 season at left-back, but

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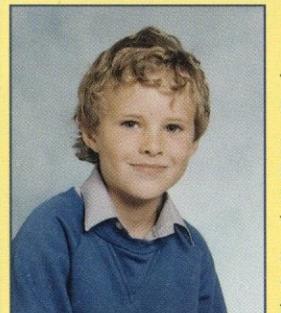
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	Venue	Score	K.O.	Att.	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14
Sat, Aug 17	LINCOLN CITY	H	2-1	3.00pm	2,645	NEWLAND	MITCHELL	BARROW	McCALL	GITTENS	WATSON	OATWAY	NELSON*	BAKER	HAWTHORNE	HANCOX	JACK*	IGG
Tues, Aug 20	BRISTOL CITY COCA COLA CUP	H	3-3	7.45pm	2,951	NEWLAND	MITCHELL	BARROW	McCALL	GITTENS	WATSON	OATWAY	NELSON	BAKER 3	JACK*	HANCOX	HAWTHORNE*	ADCOCK
Sat, Aug 24	Scunthorpe United	A	0-1	3.00pm	2,236	NEWLAND	MITCHELL	BARROW	McCALL	GITTENS	WATSON	OATWAY*	NELSON**	BAKER	HAWTHORNE	HANCOX	JACK**	WINTER
Tues, Aug 27	Northampton Town	A	1-1	3.00pm	4,128	NEWLAND	MITCHELL	BARROW	McCALL	GITTENS	WATSON	OATWAY	WINTER*	BAKER	JACK**	HANCOX	NELSON**	HAWTHORNE*
Sat, Aug 31	EXETER CITY	H	2-0	3.00pm	4,021	NEWLAND	MITCHELL	BARROW	McCALL*	GITTENS	WATSON	OATWAY	WINTER	BAKER**	JACK	HANCOX***	NELSON***	HAWTHORNE**
Tues, Sep 3	Bristol City COCA COLA CUP	A	0-1	3.00pm	4,513	NEWLAND	MITCHELL*	BARROW**	McCALL	GITTENS	WATSON	OATWAY	WINTER	BAKER	JACK	HANCOX	NELSON**	HAWTHORNE
Sat, Sept 7	Cambridge United	A	1-2	3.00pm	2,165	WILMOT	MITCHELL*	BARROW	McCALL	GITTENS	WATSON	OATWAY	WINTER	BAKER	JACK	HANCOX**	NELSON**	HAWTHORNE
Tues, Sept 10	CARDIFF CITY	H	2-0	7.45pm	2,041	NEWLAND	WINTER	BARROW	McCALL	GITTENS	WATSON	OATWAY*	NELSON**	BAKER	NDAH	STAMPS***	MITCHELL***	HAWTHORNE*
Sat, Sept 14	CHESTER CITY	H	0-0	3.00pm	2,341	NEWLAND	WINTER	BARROW	McCALL	GITTENS	WATSON	OATWAY	NELSON	BAKER	NDAH	STAMPS***	MITCHELL***	HAWTHORNE
Sat, Sept 21	Brighton & Hove Albion	A	2-2	3.00pm	4,889	NEWLAND	MITCHELL	BARROW	McCALL*	GITTENS	WATSON	OATWAY	NELSON	BAKER	NDAH**	STAMPS	HANCOX**	HAWTHORNE**
Sat, Sept 28	CARLISLE UNITED	H	1-2	3.00pm	2,435	WILMOT	WINTER*	BARROW	McCALL	GITTENS	WATSON	OATWAY	NELSON	BAKER	NDAH**	STAMPS***	HANCOX***	THOMAS**
Tue, Oct 1	Fulham	A	2-1	3.00pm	4,459	WILMOT	WINTER	BARROW	McCALL*	GITTEN	WATSON	OATWAY	NELSON 2**	BAKER	BATHAWAY	STAMPS	HANCOX*	LAIGHT**
Sat, Oct 5	Barnet	A	0-0	3.00pm	2,456	WILMOT	WINTER	BARROW	HAWTHORNE	GITTENS	WATSON	OATWAY	NELSON	NDAH*	HAWTHAWAY	STAMPS	HANCOX	LAIGHT*
Sat, Oct 12	HEREFORD UNITED	H	2-1	3.00pm	2,073	WILMOT	WINTER	BARROW	McCALL	GITTENS	WATSON	OATWAY	NELSON	NDAH*	HAWTHAWAY	STAMPS	HANCOX	HAWTHORNE JACK*
Tue, Oct 15	DONCASTER ROVERS	H	1-0	7.45pm	1,843	WILMOT	WINTER	BARROW	McCALL	GITTENS	WATSON	OATWAY*	NELSON	JACK**	HAWTHAWAY	STAMPS***	HANCOX***	HAWTHORNE* LAIGHT**
Sat, Oct 19	Wigan Athletic	A	2-3	3.00pm	3,374	WILMOT	WINTER	BARROW	McCALL	GITTENS	WATSON	OATWAY	LAIGHT	JACK	HAWTHAWAY	STAMPS	HAWTHORNE	HANCOX THOMAS
Sat, Oct 26	SWANSEA CITY	H	2-0	3.00pm	2,755	WILMOT	WINTER	BARROW	McCALL	GITTENS	WATSON	OATWAY	LAIGHT*	JACK	HAWTHAWAY**	STAMPS	HAWTHORN**	THOMAS* NELSON
Tues, Oct 29	Mansfield Town	A	2-1	7.45pm	1,632	WILMOT	WINTER	BARROW	HAWTHORNE	GITTENS	WATSON	OATWAY	LAIGHT*	JACK	HAWTHAWAY	STAMPS	HANCOX	THOMAS NELSON*
Sat, Nov 2	Leyton Orient	A	0-1	3.00pm	3,890	WILMOT	WINTER	BARROW	HAWTHORNE	GITTENS	WATSON	OATWAY	NELSON	JACK	HAWTHAWAY*	STAMPS	HANCOX	THOMAS LAIGHT*
Sat, Nov 9	COLCHESTER UNITED	H	0-2	3.00pm	2,251	WILMOT	WINTER	BARROW	McCALL	WRIGHT	WATSON	OATWAY	NELSON	LAIGHT	HAWTHAWAY*	STAMPS	HANCOX*	HAWTHORNE THOMAS
Sat, Nov 16	Luton Town (F.A. Cup 1st Round)			3.00pm														
Wed, Nov 20	Hull City	A		7.45pm														
Sat, Nov 23	HARPLEPOOL UNITED	H		3.00pm														
Sat, Nov 30	Swansea City	A		3.00pm														
Tues, Dec 3	ROCHDALE	H		7.45pm														
Sat, Dec 7	F.A. CUP																	
Sat, Dec 14	SCARBOROUGH	H		3.00pm														
Sat, Dec 21	Darlington	A		3.00pm														
Thur, Dec 26	Cardiff City	A		3.00pm														
Sat, Dec 28	CAMBRIDGE UNITED	H		3.00pm														
Wed, Jan 1	BRIGHTON & HOVE ALBION	H		3.00pm														
Sat, Jan 4	Chester City	A		3.00pm														
Sat, Jan 11	Carlisle United	A		3.00pm														
Sat, Jan 18	FULHAM	H		3.00pm														
Sat, Jan 25	MANSFIELD TOWN	H		3.00pm														
Fri, Jan 31	Colchester United	A		7.30pm														
Sat, Feb 8	LEYTON ORIENT	H		3.00pm														
Sat, Feb 15	Hartlepool United	A		3.00pm														
Sat, Feb 22	HULL CITY	H		3.00pm														
Sat, Mar 1	Rochdale	A		3.00pm														
Sat, Mar 8	DARLINGTON	H		3.00pm														
Sat, Mar 15	Scarborough	A		3.00pm														
Sat, Mar 22	SCUNTHORPE UNITED	H		3.00pm														
Sat, Mar 29	Lincoln City	A		3.00pm														
Mon, Mar 31	NORTHAMPTON TOWN	H		7.45pm														
Sat, Apr 5	Exeter City	A		3.00pm														
Sat, Apr 12	BARNET	H		3.00pm														
Sat, Apr 19	Hereford United	A		3.00pm														
Sat, Apr 26	WIGAN ATHLETIC	H		3.00pm														
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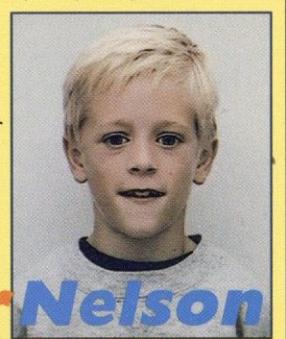
Today's mascots are cousins
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Kristian will be 9 years old on the 19th of November and attends
Landscape County Primary School in Crediton. Apart from football
Kristian's hobbies include chess, collecting foreign coins and anything to do
with aeroplanes. His favourite Torquay player is (Uncle) Garry Nelson.

Christopher is 9 years old and attends
Chudleigh Country Primary School. Apart
from football Christopher likes cross
country running, skateboarding and
computer games. His favourite Torquay player
is Rodney Jack (sorry Dad!).

We hope Kristian & Christopher enjoy their afternoon with us.

**...Kristian Green
& Christopher Nelson**





then switched to the centre of defence to form a reliable partnership with Trevor Peake. Marvin was one of only three players to play in every first team match in 94/95 season, and was awarded the Players' Player of the Year trophy. He was again a consistent performer in 95/96 at centre back, alongside Steve Dawn for the most part, and Darren Patterson.

DES LINTON - Defender

Born: Birmingham 5.9.71 Des signed for Luton from Leicester City in October 1991, along with Scott Oakes, as part of the deal which took midfielder Steve Thompson to Filbert Street. He was a regular at right-back during the 1993/94 season, but the 1994/95 campaign was dogged by a series of injuries. He played briefly a midfield role, but returned at right back in the final matches of the season. 95/96 campaign also disrupted by injury.

TREVOR PEAKE - Defender

Born: Nuneaton 10.2.57 Trevor started his league career at Lincoln City in 1979, before moving on to Coventry City in 1983. He enjoyed eight full seasons at Highfield Road, winning an FA Cup winners' medal in 1987 as the Sky Blues beat David Pleat's Tottenham 3-2 at Wembley. Trevor joined Luton for £100,000 in August 1991 and signed a new one-year contract in the summer of 1994. For the first time in his career he maintained an ever-present record throughout the season, being voted the Supporters' Club Player of the Year, and signed a further one-year deal in the summer of 1995, and was appointed reserve team coach during the 95/96 season.

MICHAEL THOMAS - Defender

Born: Luton 2.10.64 The former England Under-21 international made over 100 appearances for Luton before moving to Spurs, shortly after David Pleat, in 1986. He played the 1987 FA Cup Final, and later moved to West Ham. He was on loan at Luton in 1993/94 season before a permanent free transfer move,

and after missing the start of the season through suspension was a regular at left back in the 1994/95 campaign. Recalled by new manager Lennie Lawrence in December 1995, and responded with an ever-present record until the end of the season.

PAUL MCLAREN - Midfield

Born: High Wycombe 17.11.76 Paul made his debut in the Town first-team on the final day of the 1993/94 season, coming on as a substitute at Stoke City. He joined the Hatters from school, and is an England youth international. Started as a centre-half, but spent much of the 1994/95 season in the reserves in centre midfield. Made his full debut at Tranmere in October 1995, and then played in the Anglo-Italian Cup game in Genoa.

BEN CHENERY - Defender

Born: Ipswich 28.1.77 Youth team right-back who made his first-team debut in the FA Cup third round replay win at Bristol Rovers, in January 1995. With Julian James still suspended, Ben was due to make his league debut three days later at home to Wolves, but the game was postponed just an hour before kick-off due to heavy rain. Signed a professional contract in the spring of 1995, finally making his league debut at the end of the 95/96 season at home to Port Vale.

DARREN PATTERSON - Defender

Born: Belfast 15.10.69 Darren signed for the Hatters in August 1995 from Crystal Palace for £150,000, a fee which could rise to £200,000 based on appearances. The Northern Ireland international started his league career with Wigan, and joined Palace for £250,000 in 1992. An achilles injury ruled him out of the first two months of the season, and kept him out of Northern Ireland's final European Championship qualifying matches. Made his first Luton appearance in the Anglo-Italian Cup defeat in Cesena in November, and returned to the Northern Ireland squad at the end of the season.

AARON SKELTON - Midfield

Born: Welwyn 22.11.74 Aaron signed professional forms for the Hatters in December 1992, and was drafted into the first-team squad on a number of occasions in 1992/93. But his progress was halted in 1993/94 with a serious thigh injury, and he had to wait until the opening day of the 1994/95 season to make his full league debut at home to West Brom.

Injuries again restricted his opportunities, and he started only two more league games that season, although he finished the campaign in the reserves operating at centre back. His wretched luck with injuries continued in 1995/96.

KIM GRANT - Forward

Born: Ghana 25.9.72 Signed from Charlton, where he had made his debut under Lennie Lawrence, for £250,000 in March 1996, and scored on his debut against Ipswich. Was selected for the Ghanaian squad in the summer of 1996, playing against Egypt and Denmark. Also represented his country against South Africa in September, and is a regular member of their squad in the African Nations Cup and World Cup qualifying matches.

TONY THORPE - Midfield

Born: Leicester 10.4.74 Tony made an immediate impact in the Town side when he scored for the Hatters on his full debut at Newcastle United, in the fourth round of the FA Cup in January 1994. He joined the club at the start of the 1992/93 season, following a spell at Leicester. He was restricted to just five substitute appearances during the 1994/95 campaign. Scored Luton's winning goal at Southend in August 1995, the Hatters first win of the season, and their first under Terry Westley. Signed a new contract in the summer of 1996.

GARY WADDOCK - Midfield

Born: Alperton 17.3.62 Gary completed a free transfer move from Bristol Rovers in December 1994, after a three month loan spell at Kenilworth Road. Started his career with QPR making over 200 appearances, including an FA Cup Final against Spurs in 1982, and the subsequent replay. That was followed by a spell in Belgium with Charleroi as Gary recovered from a serious knee injury, and he also had spells at Millwall, QPR again, and Swindon, before moving to Bristol. Gary missed only one game, through suspension, after joining the Hatters in 1994/95, and scored his first goal for the club on the final day of the season. His consistent displays in 95/96 were rewarded with the Players' Player of the Year Trophy.

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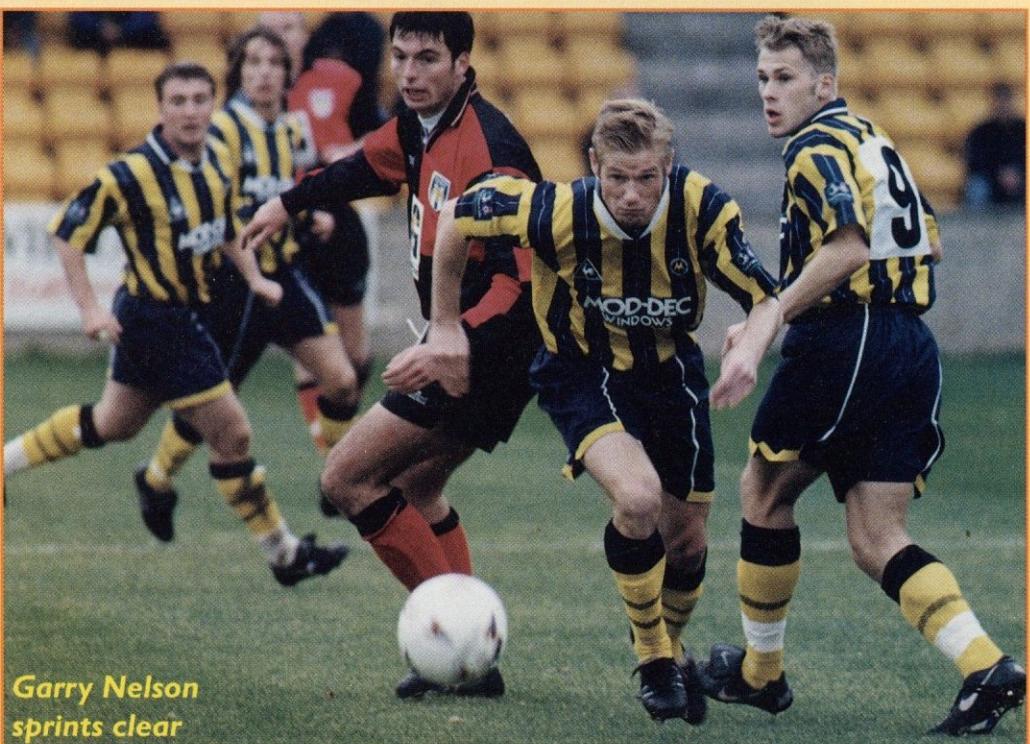


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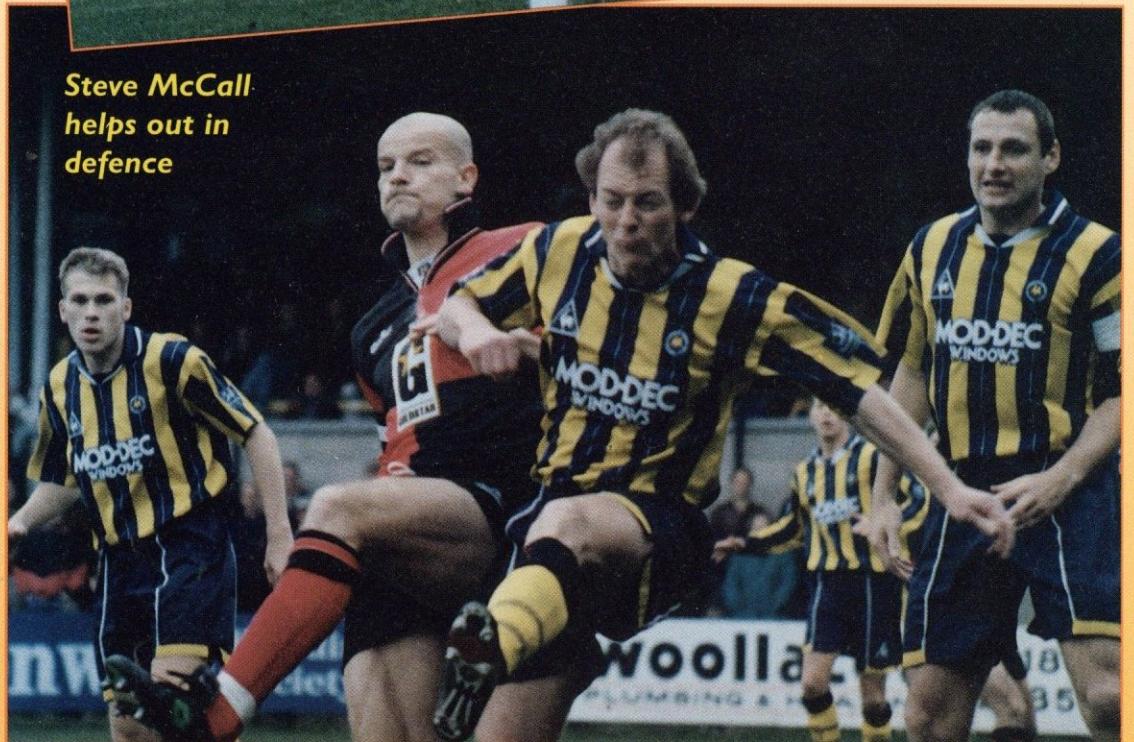
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odd happenings...

On Boxing Day 1927 Luton lost 6-5 at Northampton after leading 5-0 at halftime.

Luton played a total of 14 League games between the semi-final and the final of the F.A. Cup in 1959. They lost the final 2-1 to Nottingham Forest.

In the game against QPR on September 29th, 1970 Luton's substitute was Viv Busby while his brother Martyn Busby substituted for QPR.

In 1956/7 Gordon Turner scored 32 of Luton's 58 goals in Division One.

Luton Town beat Bristol Rovers 12-0 in a Division Three (South) game on April 13, 1936 with Joe Payne scoring ten of the goals. Three days earlier they had drawn 2-2 with Rovers at Eastville.

Gordon Turner, who scored 243 goals in 406 league games for Luton between 1949 and 1964 was the son of pre-war Walsall and Doncaster player Albert Turner and the father of Wayne Turner, who played for Luton, Coventry and Brentford in the 1970s and 1980s.

Goalkeeper Tony Read played in the forward line for Luton against Notts County on November 20, 1965 during an injury crisis and scored a hat-trick in a 5-1 win in a Division Four game.

In successive years Luton enjoyed runs of 19 successive games without defeat, these being from January to April 1968 and from April to October 1969.

Luton were unbeaten in their first ten games in Division Three (South) in 1928/9 but finished the season no higher than seventh!

Early in 1993 (from Jan 16 to Feb 20) Luton played seven successive games without conceding a goal!

obituary

DENNIS LEWIS 1925-1996

It was with great sadness that the Club learnt of the death on Tuesday of our former player Dennis Lewis.

Dennis was born in Treherbert, South Wales on 21st April, 1925 and he was signed from Swansea in the summer of 1947. He made his debut against Aldershot at Plainmoor on 23rd August that year and scored in a 2-0 victory.

In his early days at Plainmoor he played on the right wing and at inside forward, but by 1951 he had made the right half back position his own, and in 1953 Dennis was made captain. In 1957 he was captain of the Eric Webber team which missed promotion to the old Division Two on goal difference.

Dennis made his last first team appearance on Boxing Day 1958 at Coventry but he con-

tinued to play in the reserve side, and helping the younger players until his retirement.

He returned to the Club to work in Fund Raising and he organised the old Crackerjack and Crackerjill competitions, the forerunners of our old Lottery.

Dennis made 443 League appearances and 30 F.A. Cup appearances, a total of 473 which is still the Club record, and scored 30 League goals and 2 F.A. Cup goals in his career with us.

Our deepest sympathy and condolences go to his family.



AWAY TRAVEL

HULL CITY

WEDNESDAY, 20th NOVEMBER

Kick-Off 7.30pm

ADMISSION

Stand (West Stand): Adult £10.00 Concessions £5.00
Family Section (West Stand): Adult £8.00 - Concs £4.00
Terrace (North Terrace): Adult £7.00 - Concessions £3.00

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PROGRAMME: £1.50

BY ROAD: M5 to junction 4a then M42 to M1. At junction 32 take M18. At junction 7 take M62. Follow M62 to end where it becomes A63. After 9.3 miles exit A63 (signposted Humber Bridge A15, Beverley A164, Hull City AFC). At roundabout take 1st major exit (s/p Humber Bridge, Beverley A164). At roundabout after 0.3 miles take 2nd exit (s/p Hessle) onto Boothferry Road dual carriageway. At roundabout after 1 mile go straight on (s/p Hull A105). At roundabout after 1.5 miles take 2nd exit (s/p Boothferry Park, Hull City). After 0.5 miles, just before railway bridge, filter right to the ground.

OR As above to M18, at junction 5 take M180. At junction 5 of M180 follow A15 over Humber Bridge (toll £1.60). At roundabout after 0.3 miles turn right (s/p Hessle) onto Boothferry Road dual carriageway. Then as above to ground.

LUTON TOWN

IF A REPLAY IS NECESSARY IT WILL BE ON:
TUESDAY, 26th NOVEMBER

Kick-Off 7.45pm

ADMISSION

Oak Road Stand (Turnstiles 6-8):
Adult £12.50; Child/Senior Citizen £6.00
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Disabled Supporters:

Places limited, please ring Luton Town A.S.A.P. on 01582 411 622

PROGRAMME: £1.50

BY ROAD: M5, M4, M25, M4 to junction 10 (signposted A1081 Luton [S]). At motorway roundabout turn right onto A1081. After 0.5 miles turn left at junction 10A (the next roundabout, s/p Stockwood Country Park, Mossman Collection), into London Road. After 1.2 miles turn left at roundabout (s/p Ringroad, Bedford A6, Dunstable A505) onto the Ringroad Flyover. At first lights after 0.4 miles turn left into Cardiff Road. After 0.6 miles turn right into Butlin Road. At the end of road go straight across into Clifton Road. Ground is over bridge at end of road.

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QUITE A FEW PLAYERS and staff were disappointed to hear the name of Paul Baker being chanted during our 2-0 defeat against Colchester and it is apparent that the club and supporters are at variance in their understanding of this particular matter.

Maybe the supporters would do well to consider this: *Paul was taken on last season on the understanding that he would move his family down during the summer break. During the close season he advised us that his wife refused to move and that her pregnancy was further complicating matters, accordingly the club agreed to his request to be placed on the transfer list.* Eventually several clubs showed an interest and Paul had talks with each of them but was unable to reach agreement and the management was pleased when he

withdrew his transfer request and committed himself to Torquay United. All went well for a few weeks and we saw a bit of the old Paul Baker's goalscoring skills returning which helped to take us into our current high league position. It was with great disappointment then that we heard from Paul that domestic problems were having an effect on him and that he once again wished to be placed on the transfer list. No amount of persuasion could change his mind and on the basis that his game would begin to suffer we reluctantly agreed to his request.

He duly left and the search for a replacement continues.

With the best will and the strongest contract in the world there is absolutely no point in keeping a player who does not want to stay and supporters who think differently are totally deluding themselves!

...on Paul Baker



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GOOD AFTERNOON EVERYONE and welcome to Plainmoor. Once again it's F.A. Cup 1st round time and it's nice to have a home tie especially as it's against League opposition, so a warm Devon welcome to the directors, players and staff of Luton town. We hope you enjoy your day with us, though hopefully not the result.

I would like to welcome our friends from both the Herald Express; who have sponsored today's game; and also Boyce Hatton, who have sponsored the Match Ball. A BIG thank you to both companies for sponsorship today, especially at such short notice.

Last Saturday, I think we had our quickest claim for the 50/50 draw prize money ever. Within seconds of the number being announced, a big shout from the Family Stand, out onto the pitch, photo taken, money in hand, winner gone. Well done to John Lovis.

At last, news of the Sportsmen's Dinner. The date has been fixed for Thursday, 13th March, 1997 to be held at the Grand Hotel, Torquay. Details of Guest Speakers and cost to be announced later.

I have to close with some sad news. On Sunday, 3rd November, Mrs. Phyllis Yeo, who was a life long Torquay United supporter and season ticket holder, unfortunately passed away aged 88 years. Our condolences go to her family.

To everyone here today from whatever team you support, enjoy the game, and may the best team win.

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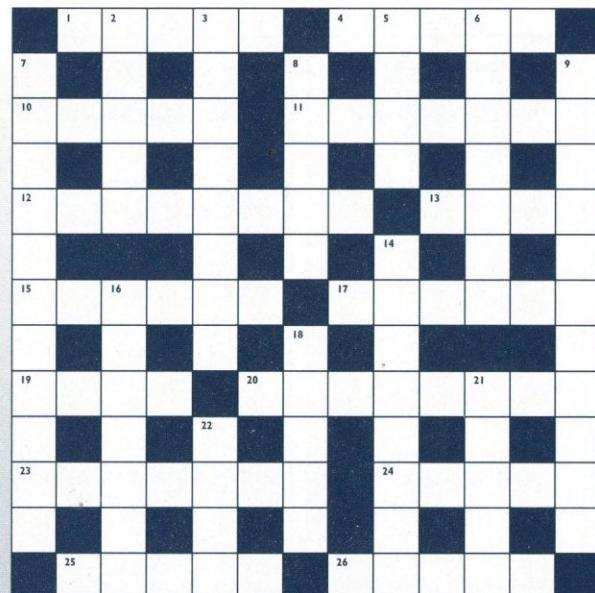
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ACROSS

- Club nickname of Bristol Rovers (7)
- Terry, played a record 713 times for Southampton 1956/74 (5)
- Forename of Swindon Town manager, Mr. McMahon (7)
- Brazilian striker (6)
- Catch one when players keep fit (5)
- Trees, as found at Reading's ground (4)
- Captains (7)
- Grab Barnsley FC when searching for a former Swedish pop group (4)
- Sponsor emblems (5)
- Month for the start of the English football season (6)
- Ossie, 1991/92 Newcastle United boss (7)
- John, 1974/89 West Ham United boss (5)
- Italian League Club (7)

DOWN

- Romanian League side (5 & 5)
- Newcastle United FC striker (8)
- Waterjug for ex-England international Fred (4)
- During a game step up the cape, maybe (anag) (4)
- Int he 1970s goalkeeper Phil Parkes played this amount of times for England (4)
- Jason, Swansea City midfielder (5)
- Blackburn Rovers goalkeeper (3 & 7)
- Southampton player (nick) (5)
- Players from European Club Lantana maybe this nationality (8)
- Rogers, Sheffield United player (4)
- Unwanted players will be if the price is right (4)
- Davies, Shrewsbury Town manager (4)

quiz...

- For which Premiership Club does Christian Daily play?
- Before Evander Holyfield regained a World Heavyweight Championship for the 3rd time last week, who was the last boxer to have been World Champion 3 times?
- Who was England's Caretaker Manager between Alf Ramsey and Don Revie?
- In which year was the first Motor Racing Grand Prix held?
- Which English Club plays in the Scottish League?
- How many strokes under par is an 'Albatross'?
- Which British team won nine successive League titles between 1966 and 1974?
- For which County did W.G. Grace play cricket?
- Who won the 1982 U.E.F.A. Champions Cup (the European Cup)?
- How many balls are used in Billiards?

answers

CROSSWORD QUIZ
 Across: 1. Derby County; 2. Muhammad Ali; 3. Joe Mercer; 4. 1906; 5. Berwick Rangers; 6. 3; 7. Glasgow Celtic; 8. Gloucesterhire; 9. Aston Villa; 10. 3.
 Down: 1. Train; 13. Elms; 14. Leaders; 15. Abba; 16. Logos; 17. August; 21. Arries; 22. Lyall; 23. Undine.
 Across: 1. Pirates; 7. Plane; 8. Stephen; 9. Bebeo; 10. Fred.
 Down: 2. Inter Stilo; 3. Aspasia; 4. Ewe; 5. Pace; 6. Once; 9. Bowen; 10. Tim Flowers; 12. Sainc.
 Across: 1. Estonia; 18. Glynn; 19. Sols; 20. Saing.
 Down: 1. Train; 13. Elms; 14. Leaders; 15. Abba; 16. Logos; 17. August; 21. Arries; 22. Lyall; 23. Undine.

Bad luck to the players last Saturday for the game against Colchester. It wasn't one of our better games, but we can't expect to win all the time. Still let's not make a habit of it eh!

Good to see Jon Gittens back today. I hope that Matthew Gregg makes a speedy recovery and it's also good to hear that Jamie Ndah is well on the road to recovery (let's all hope sooner than later).

Still no news of our Flag. Whoever has got it, I hope you can sleep easy, when you're tucked up in bed at night, using it as an eiderdown!

Again a reminder of the Supporters' Club meeting and quiz night on the 24th November at 7.00pm. It would be nice to see a good attendance. Those of you who have any suggestions or grievances, please don't keep them to yourselves, come along and have your say.

As mentioned in last week's programme, all Supporters' Club Members will be receiving a newsletter, listing forthcoming events, and that committee members will be

available in Boots and Laces after home games. If you want any information please come and talk to us, instead of living with grievances and listening to hearsay. Often facts get distorted.

The F.A. Cup always adds an edge to the game, passions rise, temperatures rise (as for anything else I don't know!). Today will be no exception when we welcome Luton Town to Plainmoor and I hope the lads will raise the game to dizzy heights to give us the right result.

Good Luck to Kevin Hodges, Steve McCall, Garry Nelson and all the lads, play well and take us into the next round.

Celia Parry

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EVEN BEFORE THE plethora of World Cup qualifiers had upset fans up and down the country, by causing fans to be deprived, some of them at short notice, of a football game to watch at their local ground last weekend, there was no shortage of soccer news to get them talking. Most of it unfortunately was sad news.

Whilst some may not have been moved very much either way by the retention of Paul Gascoigne in the England squad, all have been saddened by the enforced retirement of Coventry's David Busst, and to have been made to wonder just what is happening in football to day if a seemingly level-headed unemotional person like Steve Coppell is driven out of a top managerial job after just a few weeks by seemingly the stress of it all.

Then there was the news that one of the greatest strikers of all time, Tommy Lawton, had died. Tommy had lived to the age of 77 and the only thing many fans may know of him is that despite losing his seven best seasons to the war he still scored 231 goals in 390 League games and 22 in 23 games for England and that as an old man with a fading voice he spoke with nothing but affection for a game which had given him scant reward in the maximum wage days for his tremendous achievements on the field.

For us older fans the impressions from 50 and more years ago are marvellously vivid of a soccer hero in every sense of the word. Tommy played for six different League teams and did well for all of them. His finishing power with head and both feet was tremendous. He was also a skilful player on the ball, so that in games when his own path to goal seemed to be blocked by the two or three defenders who had the special responsibility of marking him, he seemed able to find the space to

play a through ball to an unmarked colleague. Whatever team one supported it was the game of the season if Tommy was in the visitors' line-up. Think of the spell of over four seasons that he spent with Notts County and helped them climb out of Division Three. Gates of 20,000 or more were regularly packing into Third Division grounds for what would otherwise have been run of the mill lower Division games. Fans just couldn't lose in those days – they would either see Tommy's skills triumphing or they would see their own team getting a result against a team that included Tommy Lawton himself.

Yet it is the little things about Tommy that remain with many of us – his readiness to go the extra mile such as when agreeing to enhance the opening of a handicapped enclosure at Walsall's Fellows Park an hour before a Walsall v Notts County game, or his friendly pat on the back for a opposing goalkeeper who had just dived bravely at his feet. Tommy never injured an opponent and somehow seemed to avoid injury himself as if his own scrupulous fairness brought out similar behaviour even in those with reputations as hard men. Tommy brought out the best in all of us and thinking of him puts today's seeming gigantic problems into true perspective.

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TALKING FOOTBALL

Full Name: Stephen Tully

Nickname: Tull's

Birth Place & Date: Paignton, 10-2-80

Family Details: Mum, dad and two sisters – Katie & Helen

Favourite Group/Singer: The Fugees

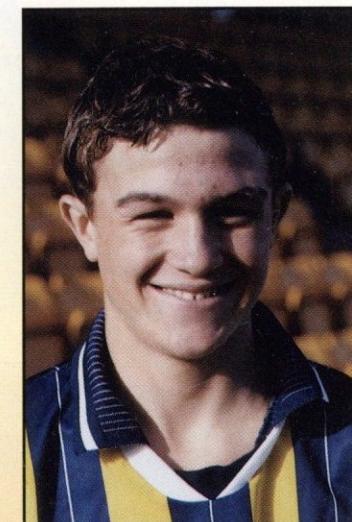
Favourite Actor/Actress: Sharon Stone

Favourite T.V. Programme/Film: The Bill

Club Supported When Younger: Everton

Favourite All-Time Player: Gary Lineker

Person You Would Most Like To Meet: Paul Gascoigne



... **Steve Tully**

teamstatistics

PLAYER	League App.	Cup App.	Total App.	League Goals	Cup Goals	Total Goals
PAUL ADCOCK	– (1)	–	– (1)	–	–	–
PAUL BAKER	10 (–)	2 (–)	12 (–)	4	3	7
LEE BARROW	18 (–)	2 (–)	20 (–)	–	–	–
JON GITTENS	17 (–)	2 (–)	19 (–)	2	–	2
RICHARD HANCOX	5 (4)	2 (–)	7 (4)	–	–	–
IAN HATHAWAY	9 (5)	– (1)	9 (6)	1	–	1
MARK HAWTHORNE	5 (7)	– (1)	5 (8)	–	–	–
KEVIN HODGES	–	–	–	–	–	–
RODNEY JACK	8 (3)	2 (–)	10 (3)	5	–	5
ELLIS LAIGHT	4 (4)	–	4 (4)	1	–	1
STEVE McCALL	15 (–)	2 (–)	17 (–)	1	–	1
PAUL MITCHELL	6 (1)	2 (–)	8 (1)	–	–	–
JAMIE NDAH	6 (–)	– (–)	6 (–)	1	–	1
GARRY NELSON	12 (4)	1 (1)	13 (5)	3	–	3
RAY NEWLAND	7 (–)	2 (–)	9 (–)	–	–	–
CHARLIE OATWAY	18 (–)	2 (–)	20 (–)	1	–	1
MICHAEL PRESTON	–	–	–	–	–	–
SCOTT STAMPS	13 (–)	– (–)	13 (–)	–	–	–
WAYNE THOMAS	– (2)	–	– (2)	–	–	–
ALEX WATSON	18 (–)	2 (–)	20 (–)	1	–	1
RHYS WILMOT	11 (–)	–	11 (–)	–	–	–
STEVE WINTER	15 (–)	1 (–)	16 (–)	2	–	2
MATTHEW WRIGHT	1 (–)	–	1 (–)	–	–	–

(Figure in bracket = substitute appearance)

	League Clean Sheets	Cup Clean Sheets	Total
RAY NEWLAND	3	–	3
RHYS WILMOT	3	–	3

presentations

Kevin Hodies receives his Manager of the Month award

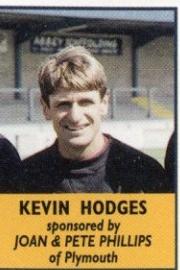
Jon Gittens presents John Lovis with his 50/50 winnings



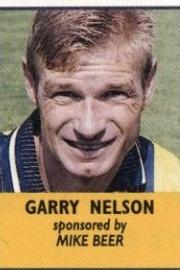
Jamie Ndaah receives his Man of the Match award v Cardiff

Sue Bateson receives the New Club mower from the T.U.F.C. Supporters Club

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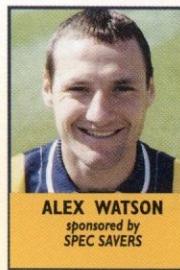
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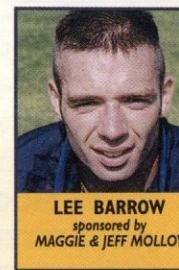
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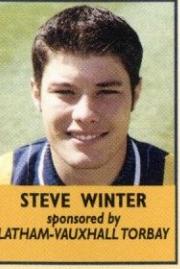
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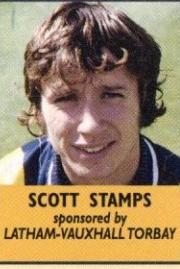
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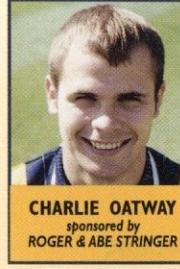
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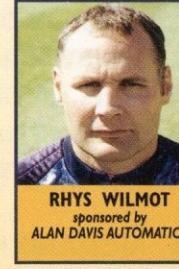
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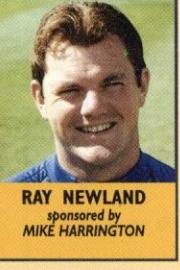
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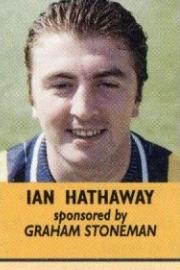
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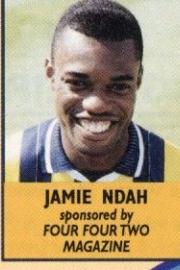
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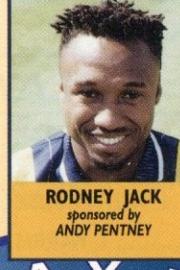
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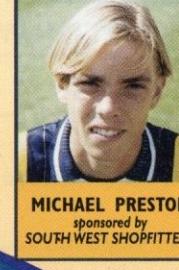
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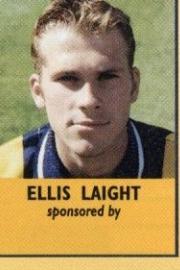
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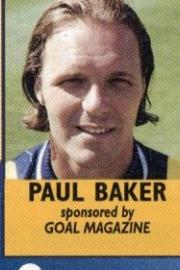
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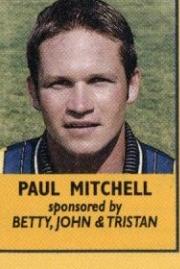
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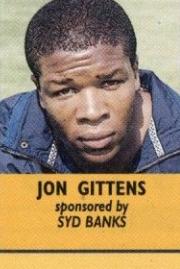
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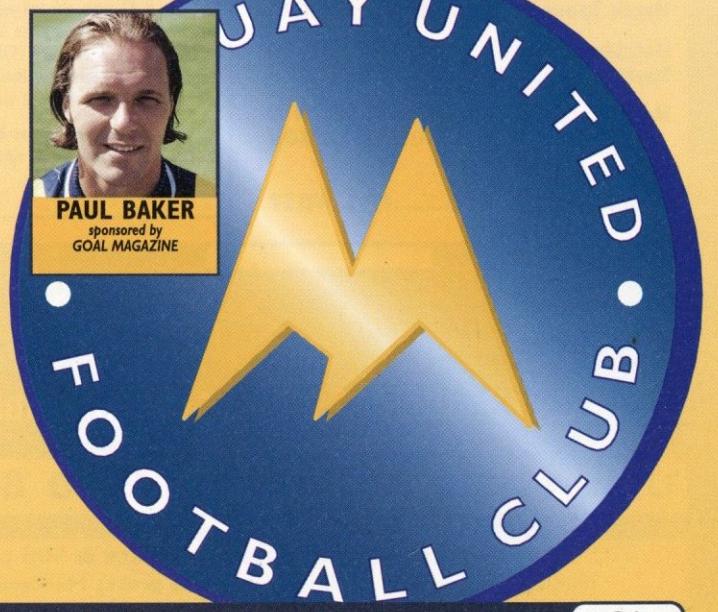
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 13. MARK HAWTHORNE
 14. MATTHEW WRIGHT

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 10. TONY THORPE
 11. BONTCHO GUENTCHEV

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IN CHARGE....

This afternoon John Brandwood is our match referee.

We welcome John back to Plainmoor for his second visit of the season. He was in charge of our 2-0 victory over Exeter City back in August.

John who is 42 years old, and married to Sue is a teacher who enjoys watching and participating in most sports. He also is a holder of an FA Preliminary Coaching Badge. He began refereeing in February 1970 and has progressed through local Leagues, the Football League Linesmans' Panel and National Linesmans' Lists and the Football League Panel of Referees to become a National List Referee in 1990.

We hope John and his Assistant Referees Wendy Toms and Ian Whitehouse; both of whom are also making their second visit of the season to Plainmoor today; have an enjoyable and trouble-free afternoon with us.

...JOHN BRANDWOOD

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