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v BRISTOL ROVERS

Saturday, November 23, 1996
Kick-off 3pm

From the manager's chair



with **LENNIE LAWRENCE**

THOUGHTS about our last home game against Wimbledon, in the Coca-Cola Cup, have been well documented and although our run in that competition now comes to an end we can take credit from the four performances against Premier League opposition, and can feel somewhat aggrieved at our unfortunate last minute exit.

However, the players did the club proud, as did the fans, in all the games and indeed who would have given us much chance of still talking about the Coca-Cola Cup in November, when we were 2-0 down after 20 minutes of our first round, second leg game against today's opponents Bristol Rovers back in early September.

But when one door closes so another opens, and we embarked on what we hope will be a similarly successful FA Cup campaign with a hardfought 1-0 victory over Torquay on Saturday.

Usually there are three or four small upsets at this stage of the competition, with either non-league sides beating third division sides, or third division sides beating second division teams.

But surprisingly, apart from a few draws, there have been no such results so far.

I am delighted to say that our match produced no sort of headlines on this subject last Saturday.

I told the players beforehand that we didn't even want to make headlines in the South-West papers, and certainly didn't want to be on Match of the Day! After a difficult opening 20 minutes we controlled the game and scored a good goal from Ceri Hughes just before half-time.

We should have added a second before the interval through Stuart Douglas, but to be fair we always looked in control in the second half.

The draw has turned out to be fairly kind with a home tie against Boreham Wood or Rushden and Diamonds who replay this coming Tuesday.

Wayne Turner and myself will be able to attend that game as we have now gone from three possible fixtures on Tuesday to none at all, as we are out of the Coca-Cola Cup, didn't need an FA Cup replay against Torquay, whilst our scheduled league opponents Wrexham do - against Colwyn Bay.

A home tie against non-league opposition could still be a small banana skin, but is a different thing to an away tie, and if we do not progress to the third round we will have absolutely nobody to blame but ourselves.

Last Tuesday's trip to Preston proved eventually to be a disappointing one, and to be absolutely honest the performance came as no great surprise to me after our recent exertions, especially with regard to the number of games played, injuries sustained by the front players, and the subsequent chopping and

changing in that department.

We were unusually slack defensively, causing us to go 2-0 down, but got ourselves back in the game before half-time and with the elements in our favour we were optimistic about turning the game round and getting a result.

We put Preston under sustained pressure in the second half, but lacked the guile and cleverness to create sufficient chances, until I pushed Steve Davis up front for the last 15 minutes when he snatched another goal in the last few seconds of the game.

Unfortunately, two minutes before, Preston had taken advantage of another defensive cock-up to put the game beyond our reach. It says it all that Steve Davis was our best attacker by far, when you consider that he spent 75 minutes playing as a central defender!

Today we turn our attentions to Bristol Rovers, whom we face for the third time this season, and welcome their players, supporters and officials.

When we played them in the Coca-Cola Cup we were struggling for form and Bristol were going reasonably well.

Now we are in the position where the defeat at Preston was our first away in the league since August, and Bristol are in a sticky patch having gone out of the cup last Saturday, and lost at home on Tuesday.

The danger for us is that with our recent home record in the league, Bristol Rovers come with nothing to lose and with all and sundry tipping a home win.

We must ensure that we bounce back from Tuesday, and are totally professional in our approach to the game.

Every team loses games, but good teams do not lose two on the



trot and we need to make that maxim a theme of our season.

Meanwhile, the injury situation becomes ever more complicated, and indeed the two substitutions in the first 20 minutes at Preston hardly helped our cause.

Stuart Douglas suffered a recurrence of his hamstring injury, and Gary Waddock suffered a groin strain. Both will miss today's

game. David Oldfield and Andrew Fotiadis should be back in training next week, and are possible for Bournemouth next Saturday.

There is better news of Kim Grant, who doesn't need a knee operation and has, at the time of writing, an outside chance of playing today. Tony Thorpe has been able to train in the latter part of this week and should be fit.

ABOVE:
The manager issues his instructions for extra-time to the players, against Wimbledon.

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MILLWALL are now four points clear at the top of Nationwide League Division Two, after Wednesday night's 2-1 win over Shrewsbury, writes **SIMON OXLEY**.

Scottish striker Steve Crawford bagged both goals, taking his tally to five in four games, but the match was watched by the lowest crowd of the season so far at the New Den - just 5,770.

Millwall are four points clear of Watford, who moved into second place following their Tuesday night win over Wycombe.

But the Hornets had to wait until the last minute (again!) to score, as teenage striker David Connolly snatched their winner.

Wycombe stay bottom, level on points with Rotherham whose match at Wrexham was one of four games to be called off due to bad weather.

The other matches postponed were: Crewe v Bristol City, Notts County v Bury, and York v Walsall.

Long time leaders Brentford lost 2-1 at Bournemouth, where Steve Robinson scored twice for the home side.

Today's opponents Bristol Rovers lost 2-1 at home to Burnley. Paul Barnes put the visitors 2-0 in front, before Peter Beadle pulled one back.

Gillingham increased Peterborough's problems with a 1-0 win at London Road - Iffy Onuora scoring his 10th of the season - and Chesterfield moved into fifth place with a 3-0 win at Plymouth.



LEFT: Bontcho Guentchev and Notts County keeper Darren Ward compete for possession during our 2-0 win at Kenilworth Road.

Stockport beat Blackpool 1-0, and the visitors also had Micky Mellon sent off.

Luton's 10-game unbeaten run in Division Two ended with Tuesday's 3-2 defeat at Preston.

The Hatters were forced to reshuffle their side after 20 minutes as both Gary Waddock and Stuart Douglas limped off with injuries, to be replaced by Paul McLaren and Dwight Marshall.

And the visitors were 2-0 down after 40 minutes as Preston

defender David Moyes netted twice from close range.

Steve Davis pulled a goal back in first half stoppage time, but Luton couldn't force an equaliser, and Lee Ashcroft sealed the game for the home side with two minutes to go.

Once again, Davis was on hand to pull one back, but with virtually the last kick of the game on 92 minutes.

The Hatters are now seventh in Division Two. (See page 46).

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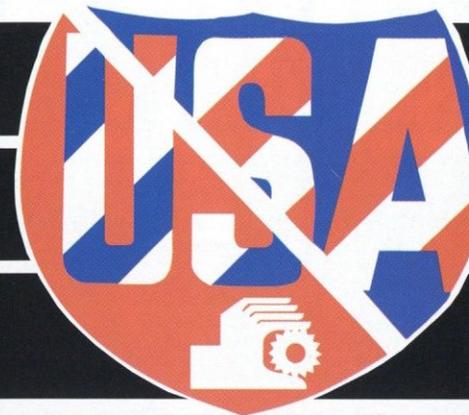
FRONT COVER - Kim Grant pictured in action against Bristol Rovers earlier this season, when he was among the scorers in a 3-0 win for the Hatters in the first round, first leg of the Coca-Cola Cup. (Picture: ANDY HANDLEY).

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LEFT: Steve Davis gets above the Wimbledon defence during our Coca-Cola Cup defeat to the Premiership side.

NOT even two goals on my return to Lancashire could make up for the disappointment of losing at Preston on Tuesday.

After two cup matches, we knew how important it was to keep the run in the league going, and although injuries at key times didn't help, those are the sort of games we should be picking up points from.

We managed it at Bury, Stockport and Plymouth, but not at Preston, and despite getting back into the game just before half-time could not force an equaliser.

That makes today's game against Bristol Rovers all

the more important, and we would certainly settle for a repeat of August's scoreline here in the Coca-Cola Cup.

But Bristol gave us a real fright in the second leg, and since then have added Jamie Cureton up front.

After today we have a week to prepare for the game at Bournemouth which, considering the injuries that are cropping up, is probably a good thing.

Wrexham away is ideally a game to get out of the way, but perhaps not just at the moment.

We enjoyed mixed fortunes in the cup competitions.

The lads were really disappointed to concede that last-gasp goal against Wimbledon in what was an excellent cup tie.

But I thought we recovered well to overcome a potentially difficult match at Torquay.

Now with a home draw in the second round, we have every chance of a good third round tie. But don't let's take anything for granted against either non-league side.

There are always shocks in the FA Cup, and we must make sure we aren't on the wrong end of one.

Wrexham match off again!



CERI Hughes

LUTON Town's Division Two trip to Wrexham, pencilled in for Tuesday, has once again been postponed.

The game was originally scheduled for October 1, but was called off when Wrexham had three players called up for the Welsh international squads for the following weekend's matches.

This Tuesday's game depended on Luton not being involved in the fourth round of the Coca-Cola Cup, and neither side having an FA Cup first round replay.

Our defeat by Wimbledon ruled out a clash against Aston Villa, whilst Ceri Hughes' goal meant no replay was required in the FA Cup match with Torquay.

But Wrexham could only manage a 1-1 draw with Colwyn Bay, and so must replay on Tuesday.

Another new date for our league trip to Wales will be announced shortly.

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From the secretary's chair

SINCE my last programme notes at the Wimbledon game, the fixture situation has more or less resolved itself.

We are now without a game this coming midweek, as the match at Wrexham has been postponed due to their FA Cup first round replay.

At the time of writing there is no new date for our trip to the Racecourse Ground.

We are at home in the second round of the FA Cup on Saturday, December 7, and our opponents will be known when Boreham Wood and Rushden & Diamonds replay this coming Tuesday.

Looking further ahead, into 1997, the home match against Watford has now been switched to Sunday, January 26, with a 1pm kick-off with live coverage on Sky Sports.

But, this game will only go ahead if neither side are involved in the fourth round of the FA Cup which is also that weekend.

The youth team have progressed to the second round of the FA Youth Cup, and will be away to Oxford United. A date has yet to be confirmed.

We have been asked by the Football League to alert supporters regarding difficult times for the Football Trust.

The future funding of the Football Trust is a very important matter for



with **CHERRY NEWBERY**

us and the whole of football.

The Trust provides essential support for safety and improvement work and for the redevelopment of grounds to meet the requirements of the Taylor Report.

The transformation we are seeing at our grounds would be impossible without them. Our top clubs have largely completed the Taylor task and the Trust is now concentrating on clubs in the Second and Third Divisions, whose needs are considerable but whose resources

are extremely limited.

Just as this crucial stage of implementing Taylor is reached, the National Lottery has halved the Trust's income.

The crisis will deepen now that the midweek lottery draw is round the corner.

The Football Trust is urging Government to: 1) Extend the Taylor implementation timetable to 2003, thus making its reduced annual income available over three more years to enable the smaller clubs to see through the Taylor task; and 2) Reduce pool betting duty to help to consolidate the pools business and thus the income of the Trust.

The Trust's work is of enormous value and its future must be safeguarded. Please play your part by writing NOW to your MP, at the House of Commons, London SW1A 0AA, urging him/her to make representations to the Chancellor.

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Which Luton player, making his last appearance for the club, scored in the 1-1 draw with Bristol Rovers in the FA Cup third round, in January 1995?

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Bournemouth v Luton Town

NATIONWIDE LEAGUE DIVISION TWO

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NATIONWIDE LEAGUE DIVISION TWO

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Saturday, December 7, 1996, kick-off 3pm

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Luton Town v Leyton Orient

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Directions for the away games at Millwall and Gillingham will appear in the next home programme v York City.

Directions courtesy of FOOTBALL FAN'S GUIDE. Editor's note: This highly acclaimed and well-researched book is now available in the Club Shop. There is an updated version for the 96/97 season, and it includes a wide range of information for the travelling supporter.

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WE have received the following request for a penpal from a 14-year-old Bulgarian supporter, Plamen Petrov, who would like to correspond with Luton fans. His hobbies are football, fishing and films.

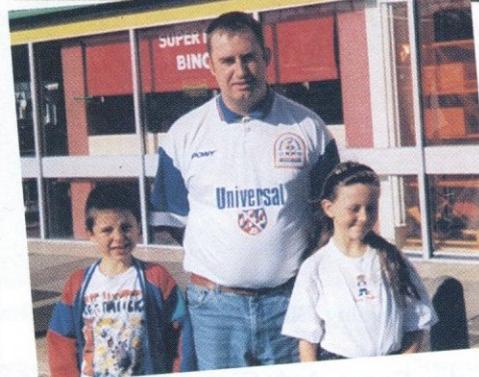
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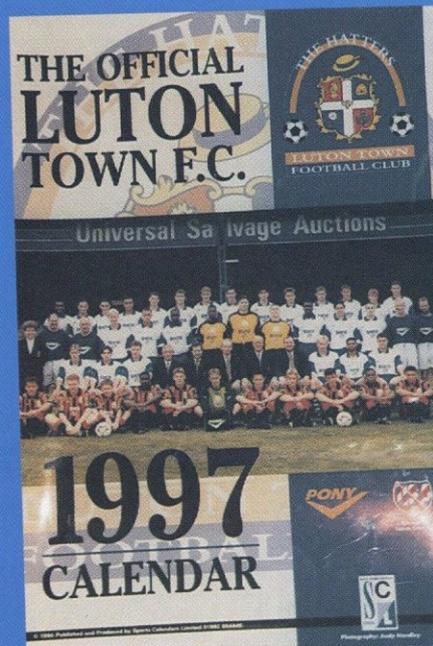
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ABOVE: Hatters fans Martin Turney, Steven Smith, Paul Turney, Gary Booth, Simon Winsgrove and Mark Mountney wear their colours on holiday in Tenerife, in June.



LEFT: Junior Hatters Dean and Katrina Jermy, with fellow Town supporter Richard White, on holiday in Skegness.



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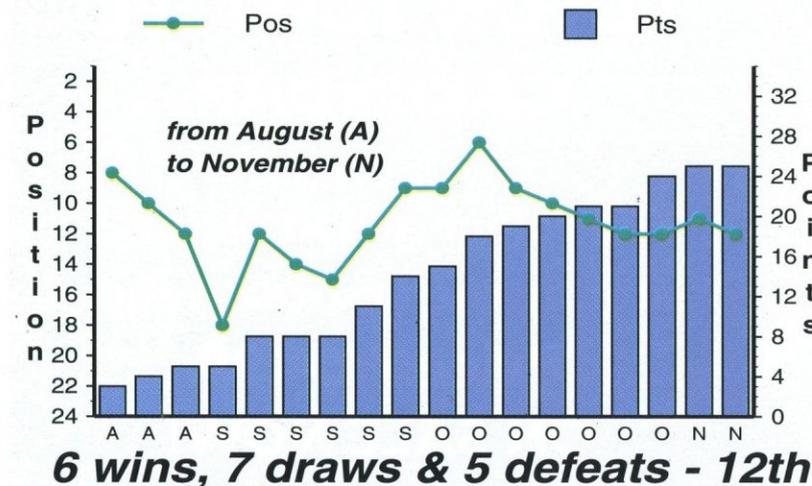
Bristol Rovers



Back row: l to r: Peter Beadle, Marcus Browning, Billy Clark, Andy Collett, Shane Higgs, Paul Miller, Justin Skinner, Andy Tillson.

Middle row: l to r: Lee Martin, Jonathan French, Andy Gurney, Matthew Hayfield, Steve Parmenter, Graeme Power, Dave Pritchard, Lee Archer, Steve Bowey, Tom White.

Front row: l to r: Stuart Harte, Phil Kite (physio), Tony Gill (youth team coach), Terry Connor (reserve team coach), Ian Holloway (player/manager), Geoff Twentyman (assistant manager), Ray Kendall (kit manager), John Gingell (fitness coach), Roy Dolling (youth development manager), Matthew Lockwood.



ABOVE: Rovers centre-half Billy Clark

LEFT: The Pirates' league form this season

ANDY TILLSON - Formerly with Kettering, Grimsby and QPR, Andy Tillson is Rovers' record signing at £375,000, joining the club in November 1992 from Loftus Road. Captains Rovers from centre-half.

PETER BEADLE - Joined Rovers in November 1995 in a £50,000 transfer from Watford, and scored both goals in a 2-0 win over neighbours Bristol City in January 1996. Previous clubs include Gillingham, Bournemouth, Southend and Spurs.

ANDY COLLETT - Goalkeeper who joined Rovers in March 1995, and made the number one jersey his own last season ahead of Brian Parkin.

JOHN FRENCH - Signed professional following a successful two-year spell as a YTS. Can play either up front or in midfield.

MATTHEW HAYFIELD - Former Chelsea schoolboy, but born in Bristol, and was given a professional contract in July 1994 following consistent performances at youth and reserve team level.

PAUL MILLER - Striker who joined from Wimbledon for £100,000 in August 1994. Scored 22 goals in his first season with Rovers, but adopted a midfield role last season. Whilst at Wimbledon, played on loan for Bristol City, Newport and Yeovil.

SHANE HIGGS - Oxford-born goalkeeper who made a rare appearance against Burnley on Tuesday.

BILLY CLARK - Joined Rovers in 1988 and completed his century of appearances in 1992/93. Previously with Bournemouth, he forms a key centre-half pairing with skipper Tillson.

JUSTIN SKINNER - Midfielder who arrived at Rovers in August 1991 as a club record signing for £130,000 from Fulham.

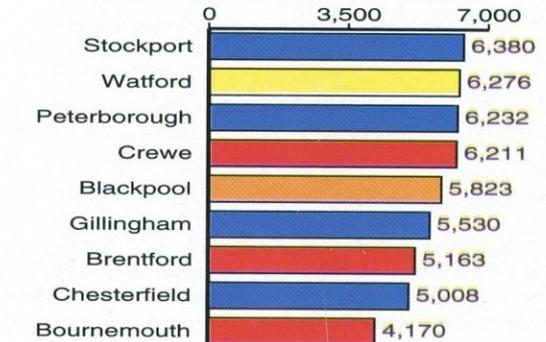
MARCUS BROWNING - Another product of Rovers' youth policy who signed professional in 1989. Midfielder who is a regular member of Bobby Gould's Welsh squad, and made his debut against Italy.

(Continued on page 14).

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Football Information Services.
Bristol Rovers stats from 96/97 season. (Midweek matches not included).



Gates at The Memorial Ground



ANDY Gurney



LEE Archer



MARCUS Browning

ANDY GURNEY - Versatile player who operates in defence or midfield. Scored Rovers' opener in the 2-1 Coca-Cola Cup second leg win over Luton back in September.

LEE MARTIN - Signed at the start of the season from Celtic. Formerly with Manchester United, and scored the winner in the FA Cup Final replay against Crystal Palace in 1990.

TOM WHITE - Defender who made his first team debut at Bradford in February 1995.

LEE ARCHER - Winger who missed large periods of last season with a troublesome knee injury, but returned in the latter part of the campaign. Netted in September's League Cup meeting with the Hatters.

DAVID PRITCHARD - Defender who arrived at Rovers after spells with West Brom and Telford. Right back who was troubled with a knee injury last season.

GRAHAM POWER - Defender who became Ian Holloway's first signing after being released by QPR.

STEVE PARMENTER - Another ex-QPR player, who was released by Ray Wilkins.

MATTHEW LOCKWOOD - Another ex-QPR trainee who finds himself now with Rovers.

JAMIE CURETON - Signed this season from Norwich City for £200,000 after a successful loan spell with Rovers.

This afternoon sees our third meeting of the season with Bristol Rovers, after playing the Pirates over two legs in the first round of the Coac-Cola Cup.

Luton won the first leg 3-0, with goals from David Oldfield, Kim Grant and Tony Thorpe, but after 20 minutes of the second leg a recovery looked on the cards as Rovers led 2-0.

But a David Oldfield goal, midway through the second half, settled the tie, and the Hatters won 4-2 on aggregate.

Our visit to Bristol gave Town fans the opportunity to add another name to their list of grounds visted, as Bristol Rovers were playing their second match in a ground-sharing scheme with Bristol Rugby Club.

Rovers' home ground has been a problem throughout their history. In 1940 they were forced, for financial reasons, to sell their 'home' at Eastville to the Bristol Greyhound Company.

Then in 1986 the level of their rent forced Bristol Rovers to leave Eastville and start a ground-sharing agreement with non-league Bath City, at Twerton Park, some 15 miles away.

The club have worked extremely hard to find a new site in Bristol but a planning application for a ground in Mangotsfield was turned down. An area in Severnside, near the second Severn Bridge, is still being considered for the new ground, and negotiations are continuing with the various interested parties.

But the return to Bristol, to share the rugby club's Memorial Ground, is set to increase support as the ground undergoes major improvements to accommodate professional rugby and football.

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MEET THE MANAGER

IAN HOLLOWAY (pictured below) was appointed player-manager in May, following the departure of John Ward.

This is his third spell with Rovers, the club he joined as a schoolboy.

His first period at Eastville ended with a move to Wimbledon, but Gerry Francis brought him back to Rovers in 1987 and he played a key role in the 1989/90 championship success.

Holloway joined Francis at QPR in 1991, and remained a key member of the Rangers side, under both Francis and Ray Wilkins, before his return to Bristol in May.

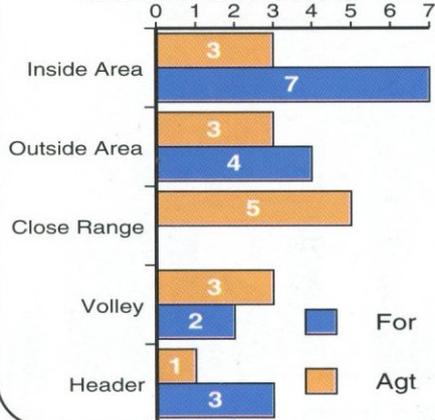
Another former player GEOFF TWENTYMAN is Rovers' assistant manager.

Twentyman had been watching the Pirates from the press box in his role as Sports Producer for BBC Radio Bristol, but he and Holloway took

on the job of trying to combine a return to Bristol with a push for promotion - the club's financial stability having been ensured with the £1.2 million sale of striker Marcus Stewart to Huddersfield.



How Goals have been Scored



A Hatter and a Pirate.....

Born in Chopwell, County Durham, in January 1908, GEORGE McNESTRY joined Bradford Park Avenue in 1926 following unsuccessful trials at Arsenal.

Over the next four years he moved in turn to Doncaster and Leeds before signing for Sunderland where he enjoyed a dream debut.

Unfortunately he was injured while on holiday the following week, and when fit again was unable to win back his place which was our gain for, after signing for us in May 1930, he enjoyed two fruitful years forming a good partnership with ace goalscorer Andy Rennie.

A quick right winger he liked to cut inside and scored 36 goals in two seasons at Kenilworth Road, including three against Bristol Rovers in 1930/31.

He was surprisingly transferred to Rovers in May 1932 and continued his scoring from the wing, notching over 40 for the Eastville side in three seasons.

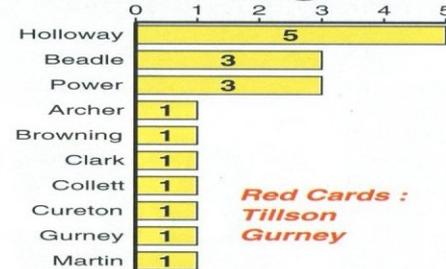
His final move came in June 1935 when he joined Coventry, as the final piece of the jigsaw that saw the Sky Blues (or Bantams as they were then known) promoted to Division Two in 1936, narrowly pipping the Town in the process.

After only seven games in Division Two with newly-promoted Coventry, he suffered a severe knee injury that brought about his premature retirement from the game. - ROGER WASH.



ABOVE: George McNestry in action at Kenilworth Road, with Andy Rennie looking on.

Bookings



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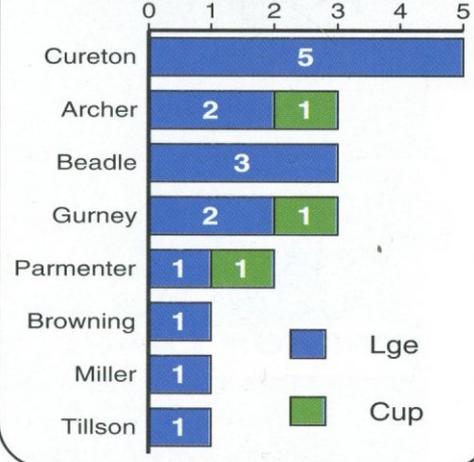
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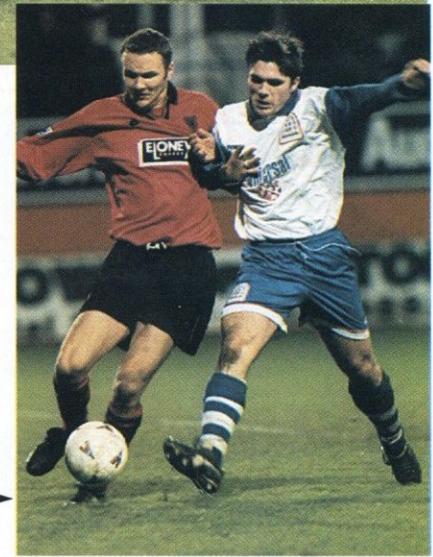


Average Shots and Corners



Goal Scorers





Dean Blackwell (far left) heads Ceri Hughes' free kick past his own keeper to put Luton 1-0 in front.

Hatters keeper Ian Feuer joins the attack in the closing minutes of extra-time.

Mick Harford heads across goal for Stewart Castledine (far left) to snatch the Dons' late equaliser, two minutes into stoppage time.

Tony Thorpe battles for possession during the Coca-Cola Cup replay.



ACTION STATIONS

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(Castledine, Fear)

Tuesday, November 12, 1996 - Coca-Cola Cup third round replay

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Pictures by Andy Handley



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TRUE or FALSE?

1. Oldham Athletic's first name was Pine Villa.

2. Geoff Hurst was the leading scorer of the 1966 World Cup Finals.

3. England became a member of FIFA in 1905.

4. British clubs won all three European competitions in 1970.

? QUICK QUIZ ?

- Which club had ten players on international duty on 20th November, 1974?
- Who became Ireland's most capped player last season?
- Which club won the first League Championship after World War II?
- With which club did midfielder Gary McAllister begin his career?
- Which club shares the Memorial Ground with a rugby club?
- In which country do Larissa, Kalamata and Panachaiki play?

IN WHICH YEAR DID...?

Everton win the League, Portsmouth win the FA Cup final against Wolves, Rangers win the Scottish League and Clyde win the Scottish Cup, England, Scotland and Wales share the Home Championship, 118,567 spectators watch Rangers play Celtic at Ibrox?

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Was originally a desolate valley next to a railway line. The main stand was reputed to be the second largest in the country when it was built. The opposite stand was built on 47 feet of rubbish. It was hit by 20 bombs during the Second World War. The main stand was destroyed by fire in 1942 when someone poured petrol on a brazier instead of water.

WHO'S TROPHY CABINET?

Which Scottish club has lifted the following trophies?

- Scottish Cup: 30 times
- Division 1 Championship: 29 times
- Premier Championship: 1976/77, 1978/79, 1980/81, 1981/82, 1985/86, 1987/88
- Scottish League Cup: 10 times
- European Cup: 1966/67



Today's mascot



Today's Junior Hatters mascot is eight-year-old PHILIPPA CALVER, who attends Hazeldene School, in Bedford. She plays for the school team, and her hobbies are gymnastics and soccer. Her favourite Luton player is Andrew Fotiadis, and Philippa attends matches with her Dad and her brother.

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JUNIOR HATTERS NEWS

Book now for the Junior Hatters' Christmas party!

BOOK now to reserve your place at the Junior Hatters Christmas party, which will take place on Monday, December 16, from 7 to 9pm.

It will be held at the Four Horseshoes Function Room, in Park Street, Luton, and the Luton players will be attending. Tickets are priced at £3, which includes refreshments and a present, and can be obtained from the ticket office.

Today, we welcome our guests from Bristol Rovers, who join us for the match and the pre-match Saturday Club.

For those of you who haven't attended the Saturday Club, you don't know what you're missing! The Saturday Club is fully supervised, begins at 12 noon, at Dallow Road, Luton. We play football and other games for fun, and then have sausage and chips for lunch, so all you need to bring is suitable footwear and a drink. After lunch it's a short walk to the ground and to the family room in the Kenilworth Stand, and we watch the game from the Kenilworth End. At the end of the match your parents can collect you from the Family Room. Five hours of fun costs just £3.50 for Junior Hatter season ticket holders and £6.50 for Junior Hatters - but please book by 4pm the Friday before the match.

We try to organise trips to away matches whenever possible, and we are now taking bookings for the away game at Bournemouth on Saturday, November 30.

The coach will leave at 9am, and we will join the Junior Cherries for their pre-match activities. Tickets are £10 adults and £8 juniors, which includes travel plus match ticket.



ABOVE: Michael Wesson and Michael O'Neill were our mascots for the Coca-Cola Cup match against Wimbledon. They are pictured with the team captains and match officials.



LEFT: Thomas Ellis, our Junior Hatters mascot against Notts County, is pictured with Paul McLaren and Julian James.

'Norm & Ec'

by Norman Hood



Answers
 QUICK QUIZ: 1. Leeds United; 2. Paul McGrath; 3. Liverpool; 4. Motherwell; 5. Bristol Rovers; 6. Greece.
 WHO'S TROPHY CABINET?: Celtic
 TRUE OR FALSE?: 1. True; 2. False; 3. True; 4. False; 5. True; 6. True; 7. True; 8. True; 9. True; 10. True.
 IN WHICH YEAR DID...?: 1939
 SPOT THE GROUND: St Andrews, Birmingham City

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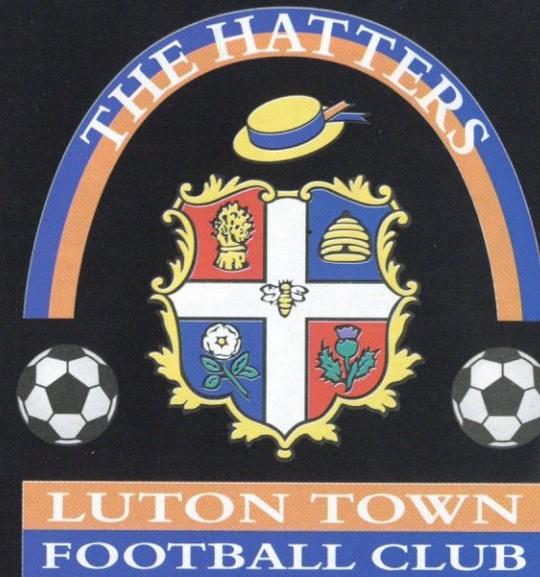
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'Over the Bar' Part Two is on page 44.....



LEFT: Ceri Hughes threads a pass through the Bristol Rovers defence during August's Coca-Cola Cup match at Kenilworth Road.

Town XI in benefit game at Slip End

A LUTON Town XI will be at Slip End United FC tomorrow morning (Sunday) for a specially arranged benefit game following a tragic house fire.

Two Slip End members, Kevin Gormon and Peter Dimmock, were involved in the fire, in which Kevin lost his life and Peter everything he owned.

The club are raising funds for Kevin's family, and for Peter, and contacted Town manager Lennie Lawrence to see if a match could be arranged.

Hence tomorrow morning's game, which kicks-off at 10.30am, and will feature a reserve/youth XI from Luton Town.

Slip End FC's ground is on the village playing fields, and can be found by taking a right turn by the church (if entering the village from the Newlands Road end).

All supporters will be most welcome for this most worthy of causes.

TEN-GOAL JOE PAYNE REMEMBERED
- see pages 34 & 35

LUTON ON ULTIMATE SOCCER CD-ROM!

LUTON Town are one of 104 clubs in England and Scotland featured on the new multimedia bible of soccer - The Ultimate Soccer CD-Rom!

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The CD-Rom also features thousands of quiz questions, World Cup stats, and over two hours of audio including commentaries from Capital Gold's Jonathan Pearce.

The Ultimate Soccer CD-Rom (RRP £29.99) will be available nationwide from mid-November and will be supported by an extensive marketing campaign by Mirror Group Newspapers. It has been produced by MGN in association with Visionsport International and Mighty Media.

Emeka's sponsored silence!

FORMER Luton favourite Emeka Nwajobi has been keeping quiet about his fundraising activities for the BBC's Children in Need Appeal!

Emeka held an 11-hour sponsored silence on Thursday, having been silent for four hours during a guest appearance on last Sunday morning's Soccer Extra show on Sky Sports.

He is now working as a pharmacist, and was due to hold the marathon silence - with the exception of giving patients professional advice - at the Safeway Pharmacy at Ashford in Kent.

Any supporters who would like to contribute sponsorship monies can send donations to Emeka c/o Luton Town FC.

Hatters face non-league opposition

LUTON Town will be at home to non-league opposition in the second round of the FA Cup, after last Saturday's 1-0 win at Torquay.

The Hatters will entertain Boreham Wood or Rushden and Diamonds on Saturday, December 7.

The two non-league sides replay on Tuesday at Rushden, after a 1-1 draw last Saturday.

Big-spending Rushden were promoted to the Vauxhall Conference last season, and are backed by multi-millionaire Max Griggs, owner of the Dr Marten's shoe company.

They were formed by a merger between Northamptonshire sides Rushden Town and Irthlingborough Diamonds.

Boreham Wood are one league down in the 'non-league pyramid' and play in the Premier Division of the ICIS League.

The game at Torquay was Luton's first appearance in the first round of the FA Cup since 1969, when we beat Bournemouth after a replay.

Ironically in the second round that season we faced non-league opposition in Hillingdon Borough, and lost 2-1!

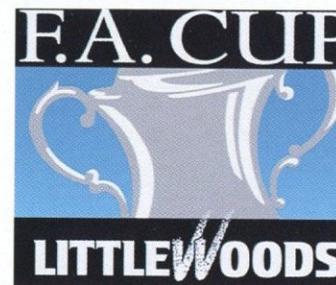
FA Cup second round draw:

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Northwich Victoria or Walsall v Burnley

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Chesterfield v Shrewsbury or Scarborough

Whitby Town or Hull v Crewe



Colwyn Bay or Wrexham v Scunthorpe
Mansfield v Stockport
Notts County v Rochdale
Carlisle v Darlington
Chester v Boston Utd
Preston v Hartlepool or York

Southern section:

Leyton Orient v Stevenage or Hayes
Watford v Ashford Town or Dagenham and Redbridge
Cambridge Utd v Woking or Millwall

Sudbury Town or Brighton v Brentford

LUTON TOWN v Boreham Wood or Rushden & Diamonds

Enfield v Peterborough or Cheltenham

Plymouth v Exeter

Farnborough or Barnet v Wycombe

Cardiff v Gillingham
Swansea or Bristol City v St Albans

Ties to be played on December 6, 7 and 8. The draw for the third round will take place on Monday, December 8.

LUTON TOWN v WATFORD

Nationwide League Division Two will now be played on **SUNDAY, JANUARY 26, 1997**
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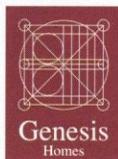


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INJURY UPDATE

WE suffered two more injuries at Preston on Tuesday, with Gary Waddock and Stuart Douglas both limping off midway through the first half.

Gary Waddock suffered a groin strain, and at the time of writing is a doubtful starter today. Stuart Douglas re-aggravated his hamstring injury, which has been a nigging problem for a little while, although he didn't have any problems at Torquay on Saturday.

He joins a number of front players with hamstring injuries, alongside Tony Thorpe, David Oldfield and Andrew Fotiadis.

Tony Thorpe suffered cramp in his hamstring during the game against Wimbledon, and has missed the last two matches. He is hoping to be fit today, having received treatment through the week.

David Oldfield and Andrew Fotiadis have been to a Sports Injury clinic in London, and have received set programmes to follow to strengthen their hamstring muscles. The more advanced equipment the clinic possesses enables a more detailed study of the injury to be carried out.

There is better news of Kim Grant who came off against Wimbledon with a knee injury and we feared he might need a cartilage operation.

But the MRI scan showed no damage to the cartilage, only bruising to the knee joint and he has improved quickly with treatment this week and was possibly resuming training on Thursday.

Our long-term injuries, Richard Harvey and now Trevor Peake are progressing.

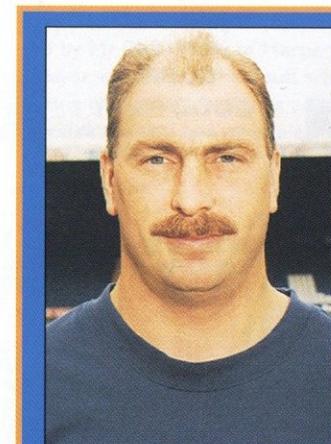
Richard has started running work, whilst Trevor is going through the frustrations of life on crutches.

Jamie Woodsford scored twice for the reserves on Monday after his comeback from an ankle injury, and Dwight Marshall has returned to the first team.

It's good to see him back, and it is reward for all the hard work he put in over the summer months.

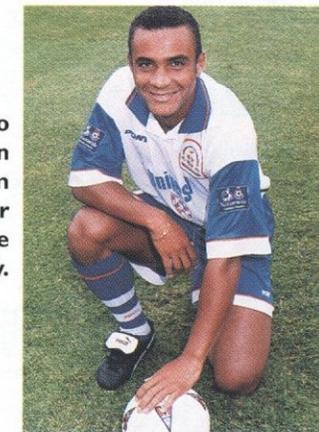


LEFT: Gary Waddock is battling to be fit to face his former club after suffering a groin strain on Tuesday.



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RIGHT: No operation for Kim Grant after his knee injury.



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PICTURED above are our Under 13 side who played against Wycombe on Sunday, November 13, at Icknield High School.

The youngsters are with coaches Lee Cowley and Dean Rastrick, and the majority of them have been with Luton Town since the age of 10, at our Centres of Excellence in Luton, Stevenage or Milton Keynes. All are signed on Centre of Excellence forms, and play every Sunday, training in midweek.

The team have recently been sponsored by Mr Phil Childs of Harpenden Garden Centre, who has supplied each player with a club tracksuit which they wear when travelling to games- representing the club in matches across the region. Thanks to Mr Childs for his generous support, and we are also looking for similar sponsorship for our Under 14, Under 15 and Under 16 sides. Contact Paul Lowe at the club if you are interested.



This afternoon's Commercial Mascot is eight-year-old LIAM WILDING, who celebrated his birthday on Monday.

Liam attends Templefield Lower School, and his hobbies, apart from football, are Sega, golf, and cycling.

His favourite Luton player is Dwight Marshall, and he comes to matches at Kenilworth Road with his Mum and Dad.

Bar facilities now available for supporters on matchdays!

Eric Morecambe Lounge (season ticket holders only, passes to be shown): the bar will be open from 12 noon to 2.45pm on Saturday matchdays, and at midweek games from 6 to 7.30pm. Rolls and hot pies will also be available to buy, and entry to this bar is via Maple Road bridge.

Nick Owen Lounge (season ticket holders only, passes to be shown): the bar will be open from 1.30 to 2.45pm and 4.45 to 7pm on Saturdays, and from 6.30 to 7.30pm, and from 9.30 to 11pm at midweek games. Rolls and hot pies are available to buy, and entry is via the door opposite the iron staircase at the rear of the main stand.

The Hatters Bar, under the Kenilworth Stand (members over 18): this bar will be open from 1.30 to 2.45pm on Saturdays, and from 6.30 to 7.30pm at midweek games. Drinks must be consumed in the licensed area which is marked by the wide yellow line.

THANKS to everyone who took part in our October half-term coaching courses across the region.

We were at venues in Milton Keynes, Harpenden, Luton, Bedford and Flitwick, and then on Monday hosted a trip to Wembley for a tour around the historic stadium.

We are now planning ahead for the Christmas holiday period, so look out for details in forthcoming match programmes.

In the meantime, the Football in the Community department continue to be involved with coaching sessions at local schools, and can organise tours of the LTFC ground.

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RESERVES AND YOUTH ROUND-UP



JAMIE Woodsford marked his return from an ankle injury with two goals for the reserves in Monday night's 3-0 win over Norwich, at Hitchin Town, in the Combination League Cup.

Norwich's England Under-21 keeper Andy Marshall was left in the firing line during the first-half, as Luton raced to a 3-0 interval lead - Paul McLaren netting inbetween Woodsford's brace.

Marshall was under the watchful eye of England Under 21 coach Peter Taylor, who was also checking on the form of our own Kelvin Davis.

Woodsford had hit the bar, and Liam George had twice gone close, before Woodsford converted Des Linton's cross to open the scoring after 25 minutes.

Only a goal-line clearance prevented him netting a second, but McLaren added number two on 38 minutes.

Linton's run then gave George a shooting chance but Marshall saved with his legs only for Woodsford to head the rebound over the stranded keeper.

In the second period, Ade Akinbiyi was denied by Matthew Upson's clearance, and then by Davis' save from the resulting corner, but at the other end only a fine double save from Marshall prevented George and Linton from extending Luton's lead.

Team: Davis, Patterson, Chenery, Evers, Willmott, Upson, Linton, McLaren, Woodsford, George, Kean.

Subs (all used): Sweeney, Augustine, Cox.

The youth team have continued their good run in the South East Counties Division Two, with league wins over Barnet and Bournemouth.

Liam George scored both goals in the 2-1 win over Barnet.

Team: Tate, Lawes, McIndoe, Spring, Ayres, Boyce, Cox (Scarlett), George, Barr, Clarke, Sweeney (Jerry). Sub not used: Curran.

Andrew Barr netted both in last

AVON INSURANCE COMBINATION

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Wimbledon	7	5	1	1	21	12	16
Tottenham	7	5	0	2	22	9	15
Ipswich	7	4	2	1	13	4	14
Swindon	7	4	1	2	16	10	13
Swansea	7	4	1	2	13	10	13
LUTON TOWN	6	4	0	2	9	6	12
Bournemouth	6	4	0	2	14	12	12
Portsmouth	8	4	0	4	9	10	12
Arsenal	6	3	2	1	13	5	11
QPR	7	3	2	2	13	8	11
Chelsea	6	3	2	1	12	8	11
Bristol City	7	3	1	3	14	12	10
Cardiff City	8	2	4	2	7	10	10
Brighton	7	2	2	3	17	19	8
Oxford Utd	7	2	2	3	14	19	7
Millwall	7	2	1	4	14	15	7
Watford	6	2	1	3	9	15	7
West Ham	7	1	3	3	7	8	6
Norwich City	7	1	3	3	12	16	6
Southampton	5	1	1	3	8	10	4
C Palace	6	1	1	4	3	14	4
Bristol R	7	0	2	6	4	19	2
Charlton	4	0	0	4	3	16	0

League table up to and including 13.11.96

AVON INSURANCE COMBINATION 1996/97 APPS & SCORERS (18.11.96)

	APPS	G		APPS	G
Kelvin DAVIS	7		Des LINTON	2	
Sean EVERS	8	1	Kim GRANT	1	
Ben CHENERY	8		Dwight MARSHALL	(1)	
Paul McLAREN	9	1	Jimmy COX	(1)	
Gary SIMPSON	2				
Chris WILLMOTT	8 (1)		Last week's Combination results: Division One		
Bontcho GUENTCHEV	3		Chelsea 3 Bournemouth 4		
Tony THORPE	3		QPR 1 Ipswich 1		
John TAYLOR	4	1	Swindon 3 C Palace 0		
Stuart DOUGLAS	6	1	Tottenham 5 Oxford 0		
Robert KEAN	9	1	Millwall 1 Arsenal 1		
Jamie WOODSFORD	1 (1)	2	West Ham 2 Brighton 4		
Andre SCARLETT	1 (2)		Bristol City 2 Swansea 1		
Matthew UPSON	5	2	Norwich 4 Southampton 3		
Steve AUGUSTINE	(3)		Portsmouth 2 Bristol R 0		
Nathan ABBEY	2		Wimbledon 2 Cardiff 0		
Trevor PEAKE	2		League Cup Group 3		
Darren PATTERSON	5				
Paul SHOWLER	3				
Aaron SKELTON	5				
Liam GEORGE	4 (1)	3			
Andrew BARR	(2)				
Matthew SPRING	(1)				
Terry SWEENEY	1 (1)				

Wed Aug 28	WEST HAM (LC)	lost 3-0
Thu Sep 5	WIMBLEDON	lost 2-1
Wed Sep 18	Portsmouth	won 2-0
Thu Sep 26	BRISTOL CITY	won 2-1
Thu Oct 3	Arsenal (LC)	won 1-0
Mon Oct 7	Swindon Town	lost 1-0
Mon Oct 21	WEST HAM UTD	won 2-1
Wed Nov 6	TOTTENHAM	won 2-1
Mon Nov 18	NORWICH C (LC)	won 3-0
Wed Dec 4	Ipswich Town (LC)	7.30pm
Mon Dec 9	OXFORD UNITED	7pm
Tue Dec 17	Crystal Palace	2pm
Mon Jan 6	SWANSEA CITY	7pm
Wed Jan 15	Bristol Rovers	7.30pm
Mon Jan 20	CARDIFF CITY	7pm
Wed Feb 5	Ipswich Town	7.30pm
Mon Feb 10	BRIGHTON	7pm
Thu Feb 27	Arsenal	2pm
Wed Mar 5	Charlton Athletic	2pm
Wed Mar 12	BOURNEMOUTH	2pm
Wed Mar 19	Southampton	7.30pm
Wed Mar 26	WATFORD	2pm
Wed Apr 9	Norwich City	7.30pm
Wed Apr 16	CHELSEA	2pm
Tue Apr 22	Millwall	2pm
Mon Apr 28	Queens Park Rgrs	7pm

Games in CAPITALS denotes home fixture.

Home matches played at Kenilworth Road will now kick-off at 2pm. Home matches will be played at Hitchin Town FC from November 18 to February 10 inclusive, and will kick-off at 7pm.

LC - Avon Insurance Combination League Cup.

Saturday's 2-0 win at Bournemouth.

Team: Tate, Lawes, Fraser, Spring, Doherty, Boyce, Clarke (Scarlett), Augustine, Barr, Cox, Sweeney. Subs not used: McIndoe, Ayres.

The youth team have progressed into the second round of the FA Youth Cup, with a 3-1 win at Hereford.

Richard Clarke, Liam George and Matthew Spring were the scorers.

Team: Tate, Lawes, McIndoe, Spring, Boyce, Upson, Clarke, George, Barr (Doherty), Cox, Scarlett. Subs not used: Fraser, Curran.

Luton have been drawn away to Oxford United in the second round - date and venue to be confirmed.



JAMIE Woodsford

SOUTH EAST COUNTIES DIV TWO

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
C Palace	12	8	3	1	30	11	19
LUTON TOWN	12	8	2	2	26	9	18
Southampton	12	8	0	4	25	11	16
Tottenham	13	6	4	3	18	9	16
Swindon	13	5	5	3	25	16	15
Oxford	11	5	4	2	21	15	14
Brighton	13	6	2	5	17	23	14
Wycombe	13	5	3	5	15	16	13
Bournemouth	11	5	2	4	19	19	12
Bristol City	12	4	4	4	19	21	12
Colchester	11	4	3	4	17	17	11
Bristol R	12	5	0	7	27	32	10
Brentford	13	3	2	8	20	27	8
Reading	12	3	1	8	16	36	7
Wimbledon	11	2	2	7	10	17	6
Barnet	13	1	1	11	9	35	3

League table as at November 16, 1996



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Sat Aug 17	Bristol Rovers	won 4-1	Sat Nov 30	BRIGHTON	11am
Sat Aug 24	READING	won 7-0	Sat Dec 7	Brentford	
Tue Aug 27	Bournemouth (SJFC)	drew 1-1	Tue Dec 10	Royston (EJC)	
Sat Aug 31	Colchester	lost 3-2	Sat Dec 14	BRISTOL CITY	11am
Tue Sep 3	B'MOUTH (SJFC)	won 3-1	Sat Dec 21	BRISTOL ROVERS	11am
Sat Sep 7	SOUTHAMPTON	won 1-0	Sat Jan 4	Bristol City	
Sat Sep 14	Cambridge U (LC1)	won 2-0	Sat Jan 11	COLCHESTER UTD	11am
Tue Sep 17	Wolves (SJFC)	lost 2-1	Sat Jan 18	Southampton	
Sat Sep 21	CRYSTAL PALACE	lost 1-0	Sat Jan 25	Crystal Palace	
Sat Sep 28	Tottenham	won 2-0	Sat Feb 1	Reading	
Sat Oct 5	OXFORD UTD	drew 1-1	Sat Feb 8	TOTTENHAM	11am
Sat Oct 12	Swindon Town	drew 2-2	Sat Feb 15	Oxford United	
Wed Oct 16	Rushden & D (EJC)	won 3-2	Sat Mar 1	Wimbledon	
Sat Oct 19	Colchester (LC2)	lost 3-2	Sat Mar 8	WYCOMBE W	11am
Sat Oct 26	WIMBLEDON	won 2-0	Sat Mar 15	BOURNEMOUTH	11am
Sat Nov 2	Wycombe W	won 1-0	Sat Mar 22	Barnet	
Sat Nov 9	BARNET	won 2-1	Sat Apr 5	Brighton	
Tue Nov 12	Hereford Utd (FAYC)	won 3-1	Sat Apr 12	BRENTFORD	11am
Sat Nov 16	Bournemouth	won 2-0		HOME matches in CAPITALS. Home league matches to be played at Luton Rugby Club.	
Sat Nov 23	SWINDON TOWN	11am			

YOUTH TEAM 1996/97 LEAGUE AND CUP APPEARANCES & SCORERS

	LGE APPS	G	CUP APPS	G	Up to and including Saturday, November 16, 1996.
Daniel TATE	11		7		
Gary DOHERTY	11	3	4 (1)		
Ian JONES	6		4		
Matthew UPSON	4		4		
Steve AUGUSTINE	7	2	5	3	
Matthew SPRING	11 (1)		7	2	
Jimmy COX	9 (1)	1	4 (2)	1	
Liam GEORGE	10 (1)	7	6	2	
Andre SCARLETT	6 (5)		3 (1)		
Andrew BARR	12	7	6	1	
Andrew SMITH	4 (2)	3	4	2	
Russell LAWES	7 (1)		5 (1)		
Mark HILLIARD	1 (3)		1	1	
Richard CLARKE	4 (2)		5 (1)	1	
Terry SWEENEY	7	3	5	1	
Nick WEBB	1				
Emerson BOYCE	6 (1)		2		
Stuart FRASER	6		3 (1)		
Michael MCINDOE	7		2		
M JERRY	(3)		1		
D MCKOY	1				
J AYRES	1				

LUTON Town FC require landladies on a permanent and/or part-time basis for our YTS players.

We are ideally looking for families, in Luton, with an interest in football, who have room available for one of our youngsters, either on a permanent (seven days a week) basis, or on a temporary basis (for example in school holidays).

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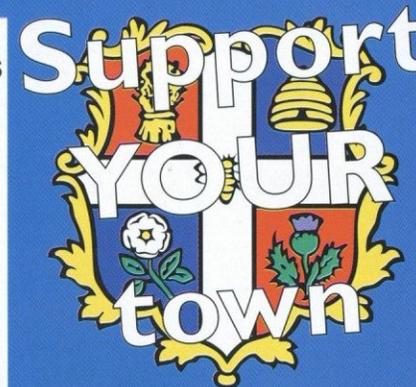
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Those were the days

THE Town were pushing for promotion from the old Third Division (South) as Easter 1936 approached and we were enjoying our best season for years.

With only one side being promoted at that time it was important to maintain top spot over the Easter period, but successive draws at Bristol Rovers on Good Friday and at home to Millwall on the following day meant we dropped back a shade in a tight race for the title.

As well as failing to maintain our momentum we also had a centre-forward crisis with Jack Ball and now Bill Boyd on the injured list.

Without a manager since the previous October, following the departure of Harold Wightman, a deputation of directors and coaches were left to pick the team and someone, and to this day no-one is sure who, suggested that 22-year-old reserve half-back Joe Payne be given a chance up front.

Bolsover-born Payne, who had seen time as a coalminer as a teenager, had been recommended to the Town by an exiled Lutonian two years before, but his few league opportunities had either been at fullback or wing-half.

In everyone's eyes it looked as if Payne would not make the grade and he had recently been loaned out to the club's nursery side Biggleswade Town, where he did not exactly pull up trees.

Reporting for duty at Kenilworth Road for the Easter Monday return against Bristol Rovers, Payne was as surprised as anyone to be thrown the number nine shirt and he immediately regarded it as a make or break game, especially as the retained list was shortly to be announced.

A respectable crowd of 13,962 had turned out on an unseasonably icy cold day, and with sleet lashing into their faces the fans probably had difficulty in recognising the 'new' centre-forward with Boyd being named in the programme.

Rovers were not going particularly well at the time, and the Town were expected to win comfortably, but in



by **ROGER WASH**

the first 20 minutes the two sides were evenly matched, although Payne showed willingness to get stuck in, as to be expected, but nothing more.

The breakthrough came in the 23rd minute when Payne latched on to a long ball and gave John Ellis in the Rovers goal no chance, and it was followed up with number two shortly afterwards when Fred Roberts was quickest to react to a parry from Ellis to a George Stephenson shot. Payne was now beginning to enjoy himself and scored twice more before half-time, taking advantage of further clever play from Roberts and Stephenson.

The interval dressing room chat was centred around Payne and it was jokingly suggested that he could beat the record of Tranmere's Bobby Bell who had scored nine goals in a 13-4 thrashing of Oldham the previous year.

Sensing that Payne was having one of those afternoons where nothing could go wrong, the experienced Stephenson, Roberts and George Martin decided to make sure that he saw plenty of the ball in the second half.

The ploy certainly worked with Payne scoring from a Stephenson centre after 49 minutes; a Rich centre after 55 minutes; and then a disputed effort two minutes later. Payne had headed towards goal and Martin bundled the ball and the goalkeeper over the line. The referee had, however, ruled that the ball had already crossed the line and awarded the goal to Payne. (My late grandfather maintained that Martin scored the goal but, there again, referees are always right!)

Stephenson then set up further goals for Payne in 65, 76 and 84 minutes, before the new number nine, with the crowd baying for more, took his personal tally to 10 when he took a wild swing at a ball whilst sitting in the area and succeeded in deflecting it past a wrongfooted Ellis.

Martin completed the scoring in the final minute to make it an incredible 12-0 win for the Town.

Many years later, Payne recalled the game with



LEFT:
Luton's
10-goal
hero Joe
Payne.

difficulty. "They told me to go out and get two or three goals if I could, but they did not tell me what to do afterwards so I just carried on," he said.

"Time blurs the memory but I recall the Rovers goalkeeper making as many good saves as the goals he let in.

"The chances kept on coming my way and after the first five, I had that much confidence I was beginning to think I could do it with my eyes shut, especially after that freak of them all when I fell over on my backside to fool everybody - but the ball still went in."

As a sign of the times Payne picked up a win bonus of £2 to add to his £4 weekly pay, and in the days of a

strict maximum wage the club had to apply to the Football League for a special dispensation to give him the matchball as a souvenir!

Finally spare a thought for poor John Ellis who must have cursed our name. Not only had he conceded 12 goals against us on that fateful day but he had broken his collar bone in the 6-2 defeat at Kenilworth Road the previous season.

Luton: Dolman, Mackey, Smith, Finlayson, Nelson, Godfrey, Rich, Martin, Payne, Roberts, Stephenson.

Bristol Rovers: Ellis, Pickering, Preece, Wallington, Murray, Young, Barley, Hartill, Harris, Houghton, Crisp.

5 YEARS AGO

23/11/91: The Town and Manchester City shared the spoils in a 2-2 draw at Kenilworth Road. In an end-to-end encounter Mick Harford and John Dreyer were on target in front of a crowd of 10,031.

10 YEARS AGO

22/11/86: A single Gary Megson goal earned all three points for Sheffield Wednesday in a dismal game at Hillsborough, watched by 21,171.

15 YEARS AGO

24/11/81: After losing our long unbeaten run at Newcastle the previous week it was back to winning ways with Bolton seen off at Kenilworth Road. Brian Stein and David Moss were on the scoresheet in the 2-0 victory.

20 YEARS AGO

27/11/76: In an amazing game the Town won 4-0 at Notts County despite an injury to goalkeeper Keith Barber, who was replaced by 5'5" Dixie Deans. Alan West, John Aston, Jim Husband and Steve Buckley shared the goals around.



Hatters striker Kim Grant is sent tumbling by Notts County keeper Darren Ward.

I touched it... honest! Tony Thorpe and Grant celebrate Ceri Hughes' goal which put Luton 2-0 in front, and (inset) the opener he did score.

Hughes fires in a second half shot against Notts County.

Lean on me..... visiting skipper Gary Strodder gets above Mitchell Thomas.



ACTION STATIONS

Luton Town 2 Notts County 0

(Thorpe, Hughes)

Saturday, November 9, 1996 - Nationwide League Division Two

Attendance: 5,664

Pictures by Andy Handley



'Referees cannot satisfy everyone in world football'

SUDDENLY it seems that everywhere you listen or look, the tabloid press, the quality press, the television pundits and even the Referees' Association's own magazine 'The Football Referee', everyone is talking about a 'crisis' in refereeing.

Is this, I wonder, a new crisis - or the one that has surfaced at the beginning of each of the last four seasons at least?

The truth of the matter is that it is impossible to satisfy every segment of world football.

The managers and players want one thing and, seemingly, the referees and administrators another, while frequently even who is on whose side change places.

The major problem seems to be over the twin pillars of what are termed 'common sense' and 'consistency'.

One of our most famous referees went on record stating that you can have one, whichever it is, but not both.

To a great extent, that remark has been taken out of context, in the same way that considerable discretion has been taken out of the referee's locker.

Consistency, as I have tried to indicate before, can only be required of a referee during a single game and when that same referee goes on to officiate at other matches.

What happens from week to week with different

THE Luton Town Supporters Club are holding a Quiz Night on Monday, December 9, in the Eric Morecambe Lounge, at Kenilworth Road. Admission is £2 for members, and £3 for non-members.

As the debate over refereeing standards intensifies, **KEN GOLDMAN**, of the North Middlesex Referees' Association, looks at the ingredients for consistency.

referees is not about consistency but is about interpretation.

Some years back, there was a kind of organised chaos, with referees neither performing their functions properly nor penalising as they should have done.

As a result, variations to existing laws and mandatory provisions were introduced by FIFA - some good, some not so good, and perhaps one or two quite awful. The purpose was to remove discretion and thereby hopefully to improve consistency. Human failings being what they are, this was more of a hope than a realisation.

The true situation is clearly that the ills of our game are football's ills and affect all sections of the sport. In particular, most of the problems are thrown up by administrators who change the laws without consultation with the professional game, as to what their effect will be - and how those

professionals will seek to circumvent those changes; by referees who often lack fitness and an understanding of how the game is played; by those journalists and TV pundits who vilify referees while not having the knowledge of the practice of the law to do so; and by managers and players who show little or no regard for the laws and indulge in gamesmanship, in which they are either uninterested or disinterested unless or until something is perpetrated against their own team - whereupon they complain inordinately.

If football is becoming a pressure cooker, especially for referees, then all in the game need to reassess their roles. Similarly, if the 'Holy Grail' of common sense and a realistic exercise of interpretation is to be achieved, then - like the best prepared cakes - it should embrace the right ingredients for a high level of consistency.

However, the men (and now women) charged with the proposed duty should at least receive their due co-operation from all other areas of the sport.

Win tickets for your Junior team

It's congratulations to the girls team at CRANBORNE PRIMARY SCHOOL in Potters Bar, who are the first winners of our Junior Team of the Month, and are our guests at today's game v Bristol Rovers.

The Loyal Luton Supporters Club are once again sponsoring the Young Team of the Month Award.

Having received a £200 grant from NatWest Bank as part of the bank's Community Action Scheme, and through monies raised through the summer, the supporters, in conjunction with Luton Town FC, have again funded the award. The award is run on a monthly self-

nomination basis, and is open to all teams, boys and girls under the age of 16. Winners receive 15 tickets (13 children and 2 adults) to a chosen Luton home match.

Previous winners have included successful regional champions through to teams who have won their first point after two years of playing.

Anyone wanting to nominate their local youth, school, cubs or girls team, should send a letter to Simon Oxley at Luton Town Football Club, briefly explaining why they think they deserve to win one of the monthly awards. We have already received a number of nominations. If your team wasn't selected this time, they might be next month.

All remaining nominations will be considered throughout the rest of the season. Our next winning team will be announced in the home programme v York City.

'Golden Goal' to settle Auto Windscreen games

THE Football League have confirmed that the Golden Goal formula will be used once again to determine the outcome of drawn matches in this season's Auto Windscreens Shield.

From next month's first round stage onwards, games which are level after 90 minutes will go into a sudden death period of overtime which ends as soon as one team scores.

This formula is sanctioned by FIFA and provides for a maximum period of 30 minutes' overtime - if no result ensues then the standard penalty shoot-out competition takes place.

The sudden death concept was pioneered by the Football League in this competition for Second and Third Division clubs back in the 1994/95 season - the first year of Auto Windscreens' three-year sponsorship.

Since then the organisers of Euro 96 adopted the sudden death system and it was used on five occasions during the knockout stage of the tournament.

Indeed, Oliver Bierhoff's second goal of the match for Germany - five minutes into the Golden Goal overtime in June's European Championship Final - secured Berti Vogts' side their victory over the Czech Republic.

This season's Auto Windscreens Shield First Round matches will be contested on a new instant knockout format, rather than the round-robin system of previous

seasons. The final itself is at Wembley on Sunday, April 20, 1997.

Luton Town have been drawn at home to Leyton Orient in the first round of the Auto Windscreens Shield. The tie will take place at Kenilworth Road on Tuesday, December 10, kick-off 7.45pm.

Ticket details can be found on page 9.

Round One draw:

Northern Section:

Scarborough v Notts County
Chesterfield v Preston North End
Carlisle United v Rochdale
Doncaster R v Stockport C

Bury v Darlington
Hartlepool Utd v Burnley
Rotherham Utd v Blackpool
Hull City v Chester City
Byes: Crewe, Lincoln, Mansfield, York, Scunthorpe, Shrewsbury, Wigan, Wrexham.

Southern Section:

Bristol Rovers v Brentford
Cambridge Utd v Colchester Utd
Brighton v Fulham
Hereford Utd v Fulham
Gillingham v Cardiff
LUTON TOWN v Leyton Orient
Swansea v Wycombe
Plymouth v Bournemouth

Byes: Barnet, Bristol City, Exeter, Northampton, Peterborough, Torquay, Walsall, Watford.

ITV confirm more League coverage

THREE more matches from the First Division of the Nationwide Football League have been confirmed for live coverage on regional ITV stations thanks to the sub-licence agreement between the Football League, Sky Television and Independent Television.

ITV have now indicated five of the 10 first division fixtures which they are entitled to transmit from Sky's quota of 60 matches - an agreement which is in place for this season only.

Central and Anglia showed last Sunday's Midlands derby between

Wolves and Birmingham, and tomorrow are showing West Brom v Norwich City. Also scheduled for the Anglia region is next Sunday's match between Wolves and Manchester City.

The Division Two fixture between the capital's promotion rivals Millwall and Brentford will now be featured live on Sky on Friday, November 29, kicking off at 7.45pm.

This all-London encounter replaces the originally scheduled Swindon v Reading match.

Forthcoming matches in Division Two of the Nationwide League

Friday, November 29
Nationwide League Div Two
Millwall v Brentford

Saturday, November 30
Nationwide League Div Two
Bournemouth v LUTON TOWN
Bristol R v Bury
Crewe v Shrewsbury Town
Notts County v Bristol C
Peterborough v Rotherham
Plymouth v Burnley
Preston NE v Gillingham
Stockport v Walsall
Watford v Blackpool
Wrexham v Wycombe
York v Chesterfield

Tuesday, December 3
Nationwide League Div Two
Blackpool v Plymouth
Brentford v Notts County
Bristol C v Watford
Burnley v Wrexham
Bury v Preston NE
Chesterfield v Peterborough
Gillingham v Crewe
LUTON TOWN v York City
Rotherham v Stockport
Shrewsbury v Bournemouth
Walsall v Bristol R
Wycombe v Millwall

Saturday, December 7
FA Cup - Second Round
See page 23 for draw details

Friday, December 13
Nationwide League Div Two
Preston NE v Blackpool

Saturday, December 14
Nationwide League Div Two
Bournemouth v Millwall
Burnley v Brentford
Gillingham v Bury
LUTON TOWN v Crewe
Notts C v Rotherham
Plymouth v Shrewsbury
Stockport v Peterborough
Walsall v Watford
Wycombe v Chesterfield
York v Wrexham



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LTFC KIT PRICES 1996/97



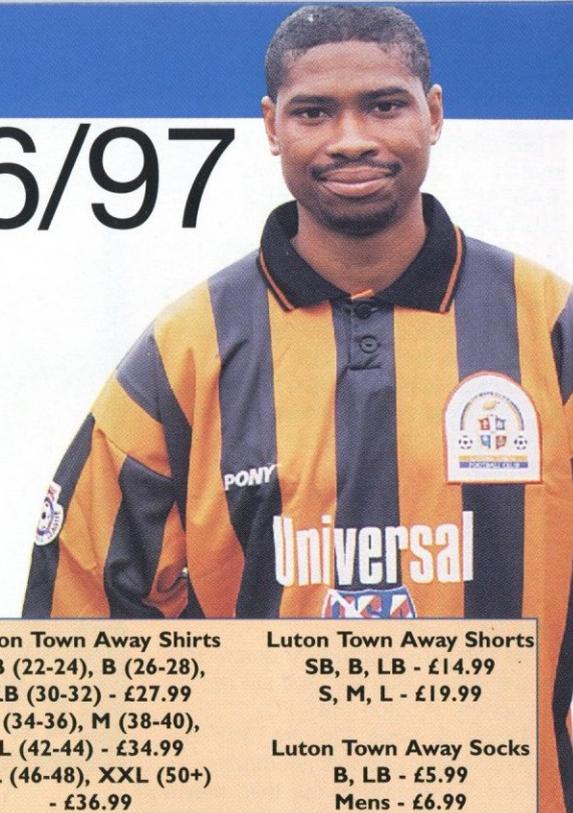
Luton Town 'Third' Shirts
SB (22-24), B (26-28),
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L (42-44) - £34.99

XL (46-48), XXL (50+)
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Luton Town Home Socks
B, LB - £5.99
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COMMERCIAL NEWS

THIS afternoon we welcome match sponsors JOHN EASTAFF (BUILDERS MERCHANTS) LTD, JJ KELLY & SONS LTD, and CONNOLLY HOMES.

John Eastaff (Builders Merchants) Ltd are suppliers of heavyside building materials to trade and DIY.

They also operate a plant hire service for mini diggers, compressors, mixers, breakers, pumps, vibration plates and dumpers.

They can be contacted at the Elstow Storage Depot, Kempston Hardwick, in Bedford.

JJ Kelly & Sons Ltd are a Luton based construction firm, who have been in the town for 30 years.

The company are regular contractors for the likes of Barretts, and are regular supporters of Luton Town FC.

JJ Kelly & Sons Ltd are also our matchball sponsors this afternoon.

A warm welcome to our third match sponsors Connolly Homes. The Connolly Group was formed over 35 years ago and is actively involved in various developments in Bedfordshire and surrounding counties, with sites ranging from one-bed starter homes to six-bed luxury residences.

All Connolly Homes' developments are controlled from their Luton headquarters, and the company prides itself in detail and personal attention to customers. This has



with **KATHY LEATHER**

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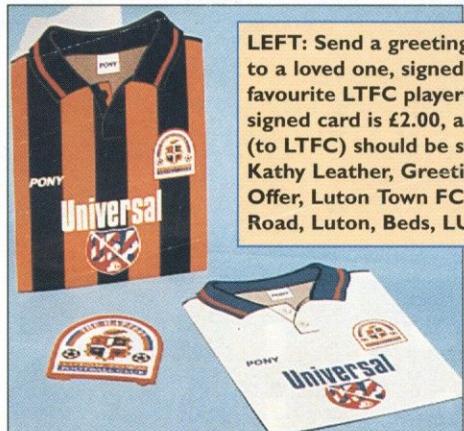
If you or your company would like details of match or matchball sponsorship, please contact the Commercial Department on (01582) 411622.

We in the Commercial Department are always willing to talk to you about how you and your company can get involved with Luton Town. We have packages to suit all budgets, and a variety of ways in which your company can get involved. See opposite page for details of how we can host your function or event.

This afternoon's CableTel kids are: Daniel Wellbeloved, Ben Chapman, Jack Chapman, Graeme Halls, Susanna Halls, Nicola Halls, Ryan Barton, Lia Armstrong, Carly Williams, Kirsty Williams, and Danny McMahon.



ABOVE: Ceri Hughes was named man-of-the-match by our match sponsors for the Coca-Cola Cup game against Wimbledon.



LEFT: Send a greetings card to a loved one, signed by their favourite LTFC player! Cost per signed card is £2.00, and cheques (to LTFC) should be sent to: Kathy Leather, Greeting Card Offer, Luton Town FC, 1 Maple Road, Luton, Beds, LU4 8AW.

Antony's Tailor

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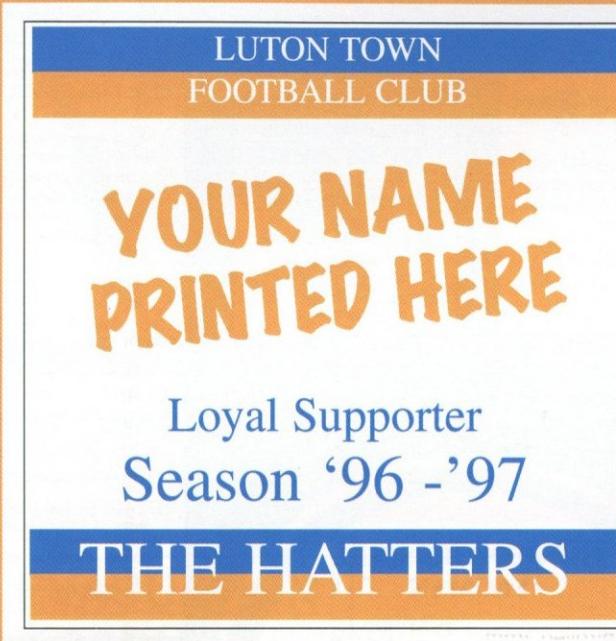
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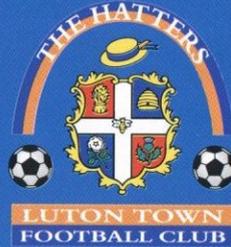
We have a number of function suites available, from our boardroom, which is an exclusive setting for senior management meetings, to our adjacent suites which can cater for up to 100 or more delegates for conferences and seminars.

Our catering operation, which prides itself on a personal service, can provide quality refreshments to complement any occasion.

For full details, or to arrange a visit to have a look round the facilities on offer, please contact the Commercial Department on Luton (01582) 411622.

OVER THE BAR!

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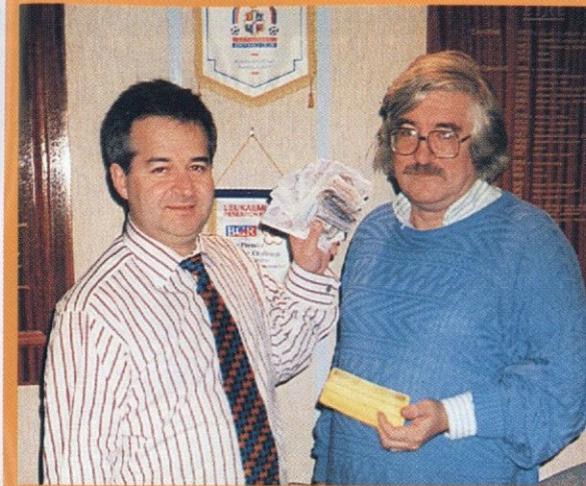
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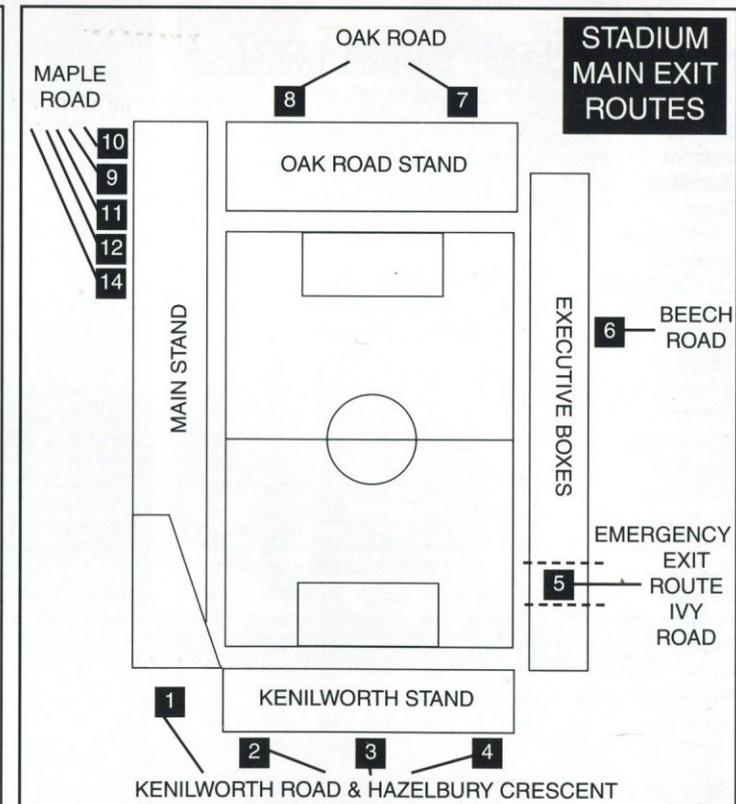
LTFC EVACUATION PROCEDURE

IN the event of any emergencies at Luton Town Football Club, the emergency services and the club have agreed on an evacuation policy which is designed to:

- Ensure the safe and controlled evacuation of the ground.
- Ensure the dispersal of the crowd from the area to allow the emergency services to carry out their tasks.

In the event on an evacuation of all or part of the stadium, you will receive instructions over the public address system on how you should leave the stadium. Stewards will direct you to the nearest exit. It may be that your normal exit route will not be available. On leaving the stadium, you will find some roads closed to pedestrian traffic, to enable swift and unobstructed arrival of the emergency services.

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



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TEAM Statistics

1996-97

LUTON TOWN 1996/97

PLAYER (figure in bracket = sub app.)	LEAGUE APPS	LEAGUE GOALS	CUP APPS	CUP GOALS
Ian FEUER	18		7	
Julian JAMES	18		7	1
Mitchell THOMAS	18	2	6	
Gary WADDOCK	18		6	
Darren PATTERSON	3		(1)	
Marvin JOHNSON	16		7	
Bontcho GUENTCHEV	9 (7)	1	4 (2)	
Graham ALEXANDER	17 (1)		7	
David OLDFIELD	12 (1)	2	5	2
Kim GRANT	8 (3)	2	4	2
Tony THORPE	12 (2)	9	3 (1)	2
Andrew FOTIADIS	5 (4)	1	(2)	
Des LINTON	(1)		1	
Steve DAVIS	16 (1)	4	7	
Ceri HUGHES	16	2	7	2
Paul SHOWLER	9 (2)	5	4 (1)	
Matthew UPSON	(1)			
Stuart DOUGLAS	2 (7)		1 (1)	
Paul McLAREN	(5)		(1)	
Aaron SKELTON	1 (1)		1	
Dwight MARSHALL	(1)		(1)	

Own goal 1

Nationwide League Division Two 96/97

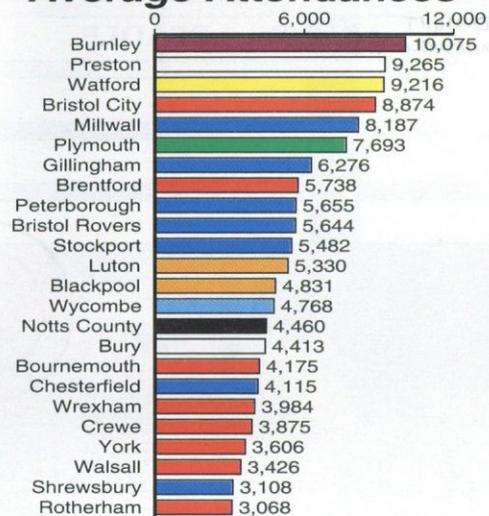
	P	W	D	L	F	A	PTS
Millwall	18	10	5	3	30	20	35
Watford	19	9	7	3	21	15	34
Brentford	19	9	6	4	31	23	33
Bury	18	9	6	3	26	16	33
Chesterfield	19	10	3	6	20	15	33
Wrexham	17	8	8	1	26	18	32
LUTON TOWN	18	9	4	5	28	21	31
Crewe	18	10	1	7	23	17	31
Burnley	19	9	3	7	27	22	30
Stockport	19	8	6	5	24	22	30
Bristol City	18	8	5	5	33	20	29
Bristol R	19	6	7	6	17	17	25
Shrewsbury	18	6	5	7	20	23	23
York City	18	6	4	8	22	27	22
Gillingham	19	6	4	9	19	24	22
Plymouth	19	5	6	8	22	28	21
Bournemouth	19	6	3	10	16	23	21
Blackpool	19	4	8	7	17	20	20
Walsall	18	5	4	9	19	23	19
Preston	19	5	4	10	19	24	19
Peterborough	19	3	8	8	25	35	17
Notts County	18	4	5	9	13	20	17
Rotherham	18	3	5	10	16	26	14
Wycombe	19	3	5	11	16	31	14

Up to and including Tuesday, November 20, 1996

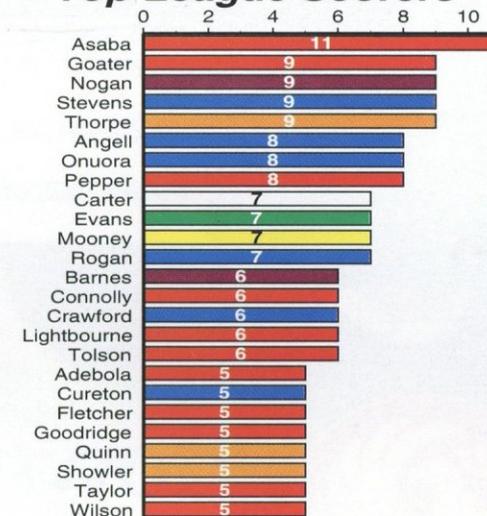
DATE	OPPONENTS	F-A	ATT	POS	GK	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14
Sat Aug 17	BURNLEY	1-2	6,484	-	Feuer	James	Thomas	Waddock	(Patterson)	Johnson	Guentchev	Alexander (Oldfield)	(Grant)	THORPE		(Fotiadis)	(Linton)	(S.Davis)
Tue Aug 20	BRISTOL ROVERS CCC1 (1)	3-0	2,643	-	Feuer	(James)	Thomas	Waddock	S.Davis	(Johnson)	Hughes	Alexander	OLDFIELD	GRANT	(THORPE)	(Patterson)	(Guentchev)	(Showler)
Sat Aug 24	Brentford	2-3	5,404	22	Feuer	James	Thomas	Waddock	S.Davis	Patterson	HUGHES	Alexander	Oldfield	(Grant)	THORPE	Linton	(Guentchev)	Showler
Tue Aug 27	Bristol City	0-5	7,028	24	Feuer	James	Thomas	Waddock	S.Davis	Patterson	Hughes	(Showler)	(Oldfield)	(Grant)	Thorpe	(Alexander)	(Guentchev)	(Fotiadis)
Sat Aug 31	ROTHERHAM	1-0	4,547	19	Feuer	(James)	THOMAS	Waddock	S.Davis	Johnson	Hughes	Alexander (Oldfield)	(Grant)	Showler	(Thorpe)	(Guentchev)	(Upson)	
Wed Sep 4	Bristol Rovers CCC1 (2)	1-2	2,320	-	Feuer	James	Thomas	Linton	S.Davis	Johnson	Hughes	Alexander	OLDFIELD	Guentchev	(Showler)	Thorpe	(Fotiadis)	McLaren
Sat Sep 7	Wycombe Wanderers	1-0	6,471	15	Feuer	James	Thomas	Waddock	S.Davis	Johnson	Hughes	Alexander	OLDFIELD	(Fotiadis)	Guentchev	(Thorpe)	Showler	McLaren
Tue Sep 10	GILLINGHAM	2-1	4,604	11	Feuer	James	Thomas	Waddock	S.Davis	Johnson	Hughes	Alexander	OLDFIELD	(Fotiadis)	GUENTCHEV	(Grant)	Showler	McLaren
Sat Sep 14	CHESTERFIELD	0-1	4,763	12	Feuer	James	Thomas	Waddock	S.Davis	Johnson	Hughes	Alexander (Oldfield)	(Fotiadis)	Guentchev	(Showler)	(Grant)	McLaren	
Tue Sep 17	DERBY COUNTY CCC2 (1)	1-0	4,459	-	Feuer	JAMES	Thomas	Waddock	S.Davis	Johnson	Hughes	Alexander	Oldfield	(Grant)	Guentchev	Showler	(Fotiadis)	McLaren
Sat Sep 21	Bury	0-0	3,588	15	Feuer	James	Thomas	Waddock	S.Davis	Johnson	Hughes	Alexander	Oldfield	(Fotiadis)	Guentchev	Showler	(Douglas)	McLaren
Wed Sep 25	Derby County CCC2 (2)	2-2	13,569	-	Feuer	James	Thomas	Waddock	S.Davis	Johnson	(Hughes)	Alexander	Oldfield	GRANT	Guentchev	Patterson	Showler	(THORPE)
Sat Sep 28	BLACKPOOL	1-0	5,303	12	Feuer	James	Thomas	Waddock	S.Davis	Johnson	Thorpe	Alexander (Oldfield)	(GRANT)	Guentchev	Showler	(Fotiadis)	(Douglas)	
Sat Oct 5	WALSALL	3-1	5,002	11	Feuer	James	Thomas	Waddock	S.Davis	Johnson	(Hughes)	Alexander	THORPE	(FOTIADIS)	(Guentchev)	(SHOWLER)	(McLaren)	(Douglas)
Sat Oct 12	Shrewsbury Town	3-0	3,357	8	Feuer	(James)	THOMAS	Waddock	S.Davis	Johnson	Hughes	Alexander (Thorpe)	GRANT	SHOWLER	(Guentchev)	(McLaren)	(Douglas)	
Tue Oct 15	Stockport County	1-1	5,352	9	Feuer	James	Thomas	Waddock	S.DAVIS	Johnson	Hughes	Alexander (Thorpe)	Grant	Showler	Guentchev	McLaren	(Oldfield)	
Sat Oct 19	PETERBOROUGH UTD	3-0	5,964	7	Feuer	James	Thomas	Waddock	S.DAVIS	Johnson	(Hughes)	Alexander (Oldfield)	(Thorpe)	SHOWLER 2	(Guentchev)	(McLaren)	(Fotiadis)	
Tue Oct 22	Wimbledon CCC3	1-1	5,043	-	Feuer	James	Thomas	Waddock	S.Davis	Johnson	HUGHES	Alexander	Oldfield	Thorpe	Showler	Guentchev	McLaren	Skelton
Sat Oct 26	BOURNEMOUTH	2-0	5,635	5	Feuer	James	Thomas	Waddock	Skelton	Johnson	Hughes	(Alexander)	(Oldfield)	THORPE 2	(Showler)	(Guentchev)	(McLaren)	(Douglas)
Tue Oct 29	Watford	1-1	14,109	6	Feuer	James	Thomas	Waddock	S.Davis	Johnson	Hughes	Alexander (Oldfield)	Thorpe	SHOWLER	Guentchev	McLaren	(Douglas)	
Sat Nov 2	Plymouth Argyle	3-3	7,134	8	Feuer	James	Thomas	Waddock	S.Davis	Johnson	Hughes	Alexander (Douglas)	THORPE 3	(Showler)	(Guentchev)	McLaren	(Grant)	
Sat Nov 9	NOTTS COUNTY	2-0	5,664	5	Feuer	James	Thomas	Waddock	S.Davis	Johnson	HUGHES	Alexander	Grant	(THORPE)	Guentchev	Marshall	McLaren	(Douglas)
Tue Nov 12	WIMBLEDON CCC3R	1-2	8,076	-	Feuer	James	Thomas	Waddock	S.Davis	Johnson	Hughes	Alexander (Grant)	(Thorpe)	(Showler)	(Guentchev)	(McLaren)	(Douglas)	
Sat Nov 16	Torquay Utd FAC1	1-0	3,450	-	Feuer	James	Skelton	Waddock	S.Davis	Johnson	HUGHES	Alexander (Douglas)	Guentchev	Showler	Patterson	McLaren	(Marshall)	
Tue Nov 19	Preston North End	2-3	7,004	7	Feuer	James	Thomas	(Waddock)	S.DAVIS 2	Johnson	Hughes	Alexander (Douglas)	(Guentchev)	Showler	(Skelton)	(McLaren)	(Marshall)	
Sat Nov 23	BRISTOL ROVERS																	
Sat Nov 30	Bournemouth																	
Tue Dec 3	YORK CITY																	
Sat Dec 7	BOREHAMWOOD/RUSHDEN & D FAC2																	
Tue Dec 10	LEYTON ORIENT AWS1																	
Sat Dec 14	CREWE ALEXANDRA																	
Wed Dec 18	Millwall																	
Thu Dec 26	Gillingham (12 noon)																	
Sat Dec 28	WYCOMBE WANDERERS																	
Wed Jan 1	BURY																	
Sat Jan 4	Chesterfield																	
Sat Jan 11	Blackpool																	
Sat Jan 18	WREXHAM																	
Sun Jan 26	WATFORD (1pm) (subject to neither side being in FA Cup 4)																	
Sat Feb 1	Notts County																	
Sat Feb 8	PLYMOUTH ARGYLE																	
Sat Feb 15	Bristol Rovers																	
Sat Feb 22	PRESTON NORTH END																	
Sat Mar 1	York City																	
Sat Mar 8	MILLWALL																	
Sat Mar 15	Crewe Alexandra																	
Sat Mar 22	BRENTFORD																	
Sat Mar 29	Burnley																	
Tue Apr 1	BRISTOL CITY																	
Sat Apr 5	Rotherham United																	
Sat Apr 12	Walsall																	
Sat Apr 19	SHREWSBURY TOWN																	
Sat Apr 26	Peterborough Utd																	
Sat May 3	STOCKPORT COUNTY																	
TBA	Wrexham																	

Game in BOLD denotes home match. Name in CAPITALS denotes goalscorer. Name in (brackets) denotes player substituted or substitute used.

Average Attendances



Top League Scorers



Division Two stats from 96/97 - by FOOTBALL INFORMATION SERVICES (Due to printing deadlines, midweek matches not included).

Today's referee is

GRAHAM POOLEY

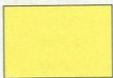
from Bishop Stortford, Herts.

Mr Pooley has been a regular visitor to Kenilworth Road in recent seasons, refereeing four matches here in 94/95.

T.J. Pollard



K.R. Torrance



OTHER DIVISION TWO MATCHES TODAY

- Blackpool v Notts County
- Brentford v Wrexham
- Bristol City v Peterborough Utd
- Burnley v Bournemouth
- Bury v Plymouth Argyle
- Chesterfield v Watford
- Gillingham v York City
- Rotherham Utd v Millwall
- Shrewsbury T v Stockport C
- Walsall v Crewe Alex.
- Wycombe W v Preston NE

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LUTON TOWN

Manager: Lennie Lawrence

BRISTOL R

Manager: Ian Holloway

Ian FEUER	1	Shane HIGGS
Julian JAMES	2	Dave PRITCHARD
Mitchell THOMAS	3	Matthew LOCKWOOD
Gary WADDOCK	4	Marcus BROWNING
Steve DAVIS	5	Billy CLARK
Marvin JOHNSON	6	Graeme POWER
Ceri HUGHES	7	Ian HOLLOWAY
Graham ALEXANDER	8	John FRENCH
Stuart DOUGLAS	9	Jamie CURETON
Bontcho GUENTCHEV <i>TONY THORPE</i>	10	Tom RAMASUT
Paul SHOWLER <i>DWIGHT MARSHALL</i>	11	Peter BEADLE
	12	
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