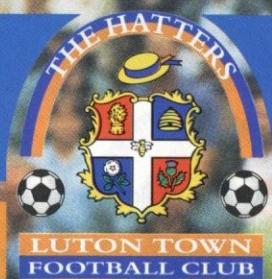


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From the manager's chair

GOOD evening and welcome to this evening's top-of-the-table clash with Brentford, although recent results for both teams make it a surprise that it should be still a clash between the teams first and second in the league.

In spite of just three points from the last 15 available, and not having won in the last five matches, we have managed to retain that second spot in Division Two which is psychologically important to us, being an automatic promotion place, and we are well aware that a win tonight would put us top over the weekend.

Looking back over the recent sequence of games, where we have played four out of five away, all the matches have been close but none have yielded the magic three points.

Wrexham last Wednesday saw a very good attacking performance in the first-half which unfortunately was not converted into sufficient goals.

The second-half was a much more scrappy affair, with Wrexham scrambling a goal, and to be fair we didn't do enough to win.

The draw at Crewe on Saturday was a different story, and we were very competitive, pressurised well, passed the ball well, and created as many chances as Crewe with more possession around the opposition penalty area.

The players gave me good signs that they understand what is required to win promotion, and they certainly seemed to appreciate the importance of that particular fixture, which if Crewe had won would have put



with **LENNIE
LAWRENCE**

them above us.

Before Christmas when we were winning games consistently, we were excellent in both penalty areas, virtually watertight in our own, and converting a high percentage of chances created at the other end.

Last Saturday we had the solid look defensively, and if we can get back on the goal trail we can rediscover that pre-Christmas form. If we can manage that, having come through a difficult spell still second, we can gain that automatic promotion place.

Tonight we entertain one of our most formidable obstacles in obtaining automatic promotion, and we welcome the players, supporters and officials of Brentford.

Like us, Brentford have had a difficult time of late, losing fewer games, but scoring fewer goals, and doing less well at home.

But what has to be respected is their excellent away record

which is by far the best of the leading clubs as they have already won nine times on their travels. We will need to be at our best to get the three points tonight.

To be fair, in the last home game against Millwall, from a football point of view, we were certainly good enough. At Crewe we were competitively at our best, and if we can combine the two ingredients together we will be right back on track.

I don't think I have seen a game like that one against Millwall in terms of chances created but not converted.

We enjoyed some good fortune prior to and over Christmas, so perhaps that has evened out now.

But we can take heart from the performance against Millwall, especially playing for much of the game with 10 men, and if we can reproduce that then Brentford will do well to beat us tonight.

Promotion campaigns are usually decided over the final eight or nine games and we are rapidly approaching that time of the season.

Happily, and surprisingly, we are still second coming towards the end of a difficult month when we have played the majority of matches away from home, and have met many of the 'top' sides. Our immediate target is to still be in an automatic promotion place after next Saturday's trip to Burnley, and to do that we will certainly need to win either tonight or at Turf Moor, with a win and a draw possibly putting us top.

Your support against Millwall was excellent, and the



atmosphere created was appreciated, so please continue to get behind the team.

Mitchell Thomas is likely to be back in the side tonight, with Darren Patterson suspended for this game, but available next week when Julian James is suspended.

Ceri Hughes will also be missing next week due to international duty, but Dwight Marshall should be fit to return after a groin injury.

We have collected the odd suspension, and one or two injuries, but importantly this has not radically affected the shape of the team.

ABOVE: Tony Thorpe leads the celebrations after Steve Davis had put Luton in front at Wrexham. More action from the Racecourse Ground on pages 16 & 17.

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LUTON Town stayed in second place in Division Two after Tuesday night's matches, as Crewe and Millwall drew 0-0 at Gresty Road.

But that result, combined with Watford's home win over Bristol Rovers, means that five teams are level on 58 points from second to sixth position. (See page 54 for up-to-date league table).

Crewe supporters had waited until March to see a goalless draw at Gresty Road this season but have now had two in succession as the 0-0 against Millwall followed Saturday's 0-0 draw against the Hatters.

Keepers Tim Carter and Jason Kearton were the heroes on Tuesday night, with the Lions bouncing back from Saturday's disappointing home defeat by Bournemouth.

At Vicarage Road, Watford recorded their fifth successive home win, with keeper Kevin Miller chalking up his seventh league clean sheet in a row at home.

Tommy Mooney netted the only goal of the game after six minutes, with boss Kenny Jackett admitting: "It wasn't pretty, but obviously it's the points we need now."

"Games at this end of the season tend to be scrappy because there is so much at stake."

Bristol City missed out on the chance to close the gap on the top sides as they crashed 2-0 at home to struggling Rotherham.

Walsall bagged a last minute equaliser in a 1-1 draw at home to Blackpool, with Wrexham also missing the chance to make up ground as they lost 2-1 at Preston.

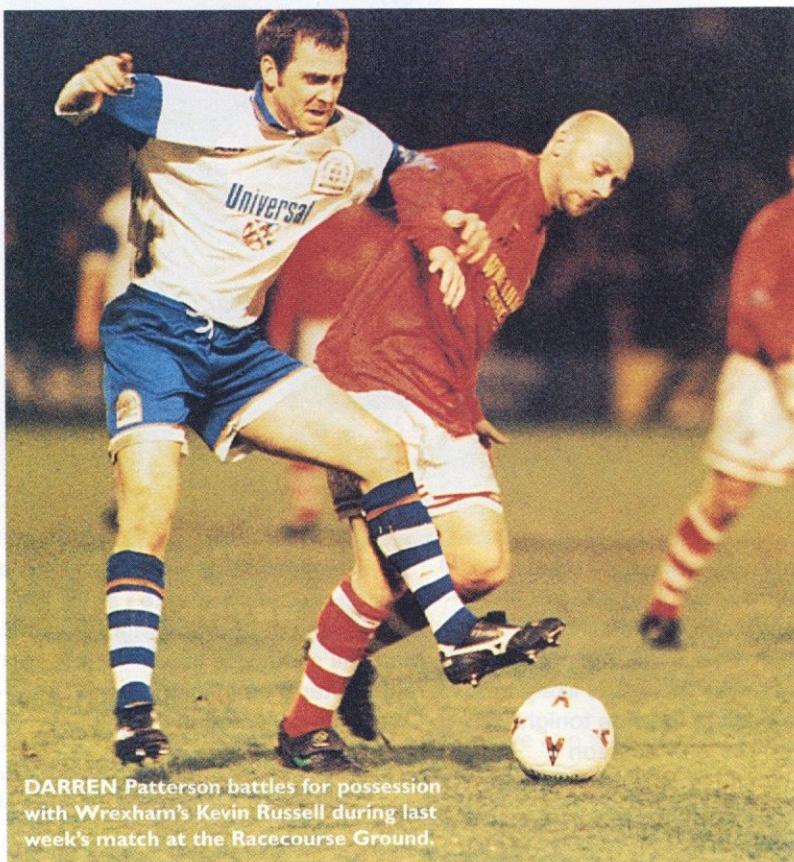
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DARREN Patterson battles for possession with Wrexham's Kevin Russell during last week's match at the Racecourse Ground.

The game at Deepdale was held up midway through the first half after a small fire in one of the stands.

Stockport are still well placed in the Division Two table, with games in hand, but were in cup action again on Tuesday, in the Auto Windscreens Shield northern section final, losing 2-0 to Carlisle in the first leg at Brunton Park.

In the southern section, Colchester

have won through to Wembley.

With ex-Hatters David Greene and Tony Adcock in their ranks, the third division side beat Peterborough 3-0 on Tuesday night in the second leg of their final, overturning a 2-0 deficit from the first leg against Barry Fry's side.

The winning goal was a 'Golden Goal' scored in extra time by Paul Abrahams.

FRONT COVER: Ceri Hughes in action for the Hatters against Brentford earlier this season at Griffin Park. David Webb's side won 3-2 on the second Saturday of the 1996/97 campaign. (Picture: ANDY HANDLEY).

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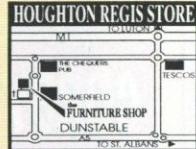
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by Club Captain STEVE DAVIS



LEFT: Steve Davis escapes the clutches of the Wrexham defence to head his seventh goal of the season, putting the Hatters 1-0 in front at the Racecourse Ground.

ABOUT a month ago this game tonight was being billed as a 'championship decider' between ourselves and Brentford.

But it was never going to be that simple, and both sides have dropped points in recent games, and at the time of writing there was no guarantee that we would even be the top two sides in the division.

But what is certain is that tonight's winners will go or remain top, and will take a big step towards the ultimate aim of promotion.

If we play like we did against Millwall in our last home game then we have every chance.

There was a real disbelief in the dressing room afterwards that we didn't get anything out of that

game, and certainly Millwall used up a whole season's quota of luck in that match never mind one game's.

The defeat was disappointing, if not the performance, but against Wrexham there was disappointment in both the result and the display.

We started well, but couldn't maintain the pressure in the second half. From a personal point of view it was nice to score, and I am pleased with my tally of seven for the season so far.

At Crewe we tightened things up, and that will probably prove to be a point won over the course of the season. Again from a personal point of view I was relieved to get through another game without a yellow card, which means that I will be available for the trip to

Burnley next week. This will be a real test, and having missed the game against my old club on the opening day of the season I was desperate to be available for the return at Turf Moor.

First though we have to tackle Brentford who, like ourselves, will be anxious to return to winning ways. We were twice in front back at Griffin Park in August, only to lose 3-2 and are looking to exact revenge this evening.

It promises to be a good atmosphere tonight, and hopefully a better game than for Sky's last visit!

FA Youth Cup - Quarter Final at Kenilworth Road

LUTON TOWN v WATFORD

**Tuesday, March 25
Kick-off 7.30pm**

Admission: £3 adults and £1 juniors and senior citizens
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FIRST of all a reminder that our FA Youth Cup quarter-final against Watford takes place here, at Kenilworth Road, on Tuesday, March 25, kick-off 7.30pm.

Admission is £3 for adults and £1 for juniors and senior citizens, with the winners playing Leeds United in a two-legged semi-final.

It is unreserved seating on Tuesday evening, in the Main Stand and Enclosure only.

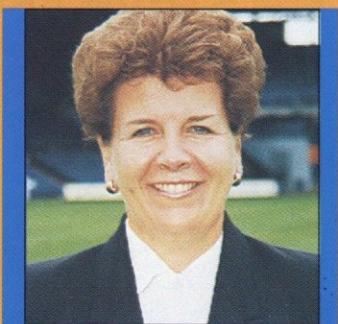
Our youth team game against Watford means that the reserve game against the Hornets, scheduled for Wednesday, March 26, will now be played on Thursday, March 27, with a 7pm kick-off at Kenilworth Road.

The reserve match against Bournemouth will now take place on April 7 at Hitchin, kick-off 7pm, and the reserves' trip to Millwall has now been confirmed for Wednesday, April 23.

On the subject of reserve team games, we are still waiting to re-arrange the home game against Brighton, following the postponement last month.

A number of youth team games were postponed over

From the secretary's chair



with **CHERRY NEWBERY**

the Christmas and New Year period, and these have now been re-arranged.

The youth team will travel to Bristol City on March 29, and will entertain Colchester and Bristol City on April 19 and 26 respectively.

Crewe Alexandra have asked us to pass on their thanks to all Luton supporters who travelled to Gresty Road last Saturday.

Their letter included the words, "it was a pleasure to observe the kind of behaviour

we all want to see at football matches," and it is always nice to receive such praise.

ON THE BUSES?

IN conjunction with the Shires Bus Company, the club is looking at ways to get supporters to the ground more easily on matchdays, as we are aware of the parking difficulties in the Kenilworth Road area.

We are looking at additional services from Milton Keynes, Leighton Buzzard and other areas, and at the possibility of being able to buy bus tickets with match tickets.

I would like to hear any views or ideas that you may have on this subject. Please contact me at the club, either in writing or by telephone.

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NATIONWIDE LEAGUE DIVISION TWO

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Luton Town v Bristol City

NATIONWIDE LEAGUE DIVISION TWO

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Rotherham Utd v Luton Town

NATIONWIDE LEAGUE DIVISION TWO

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Luton Town v Wycombe Wanderers

NATIONWIDE LEAGUE DIVISION TWO

Tuesday, April 8, 1997, kick-off 7.45pm

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Walsall v Luton Town

NATIONWIDE LEAGUE DIVISION TWO

Saturday, April 12, 1997, kick-off 3pm

This match is NOT all-ticket for Luton supporters, BUT we would advise that you purchase a ticket before travelling, due to limited numbers. The tickets will be available to ONE per Season Ticket Holder or Member (subject to availability) until Thursday, April 10, at 4pm. Any tickets that are returned to Walsall will be available on the turnstiles on the day of the match.

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ABOVE: The penalty shoot-out, at half-time against Millwall, involved youngsters from the Windowcraft Chiltern Youth League, refereed by Graham Everitt. The Under 13s taking part were Craig Magill (Luton), Nick McGill (Dunstable) and Christopher Smith (Milton Keynes). They are pictured with Football in the Community Officer Jeff Vetere.



LEFT: Town supporter Peter Tullio, from St Lawrence Avenue, Luton, was flying the flag for the Hatters on holiday in New York last November. Peter has been a Luton supporter for 19 years.

ROTHERHAM supporter Mr GW Roper is aiming to complete a collection of Rotherham programmes dating from 1960 to 1997. He is anxious to obtain the Luton Town v Rotherham programme from season 1962/63, and can be contacted on 01709 531462.

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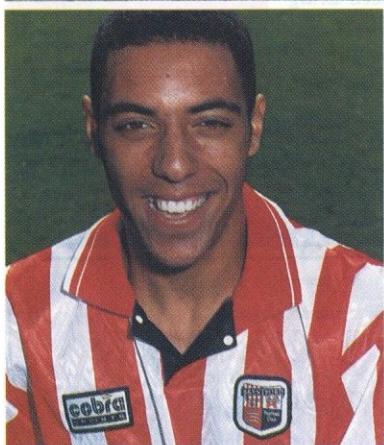
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WANTED: Match programme from the game between Millwall and Luton Town, from the 1946/47 season. Please telephone Bob McCree on 01582 760578.

BIRMINGHAM City historian Ivan Barnsley is looking for sight of the following programmes, and/or copies or originals if possible, to complete his post war history record of the club: Luton v Birmingham - December 14, 1946. Anyone who can help can contact Mr Barnsley on 0121 323 4851.

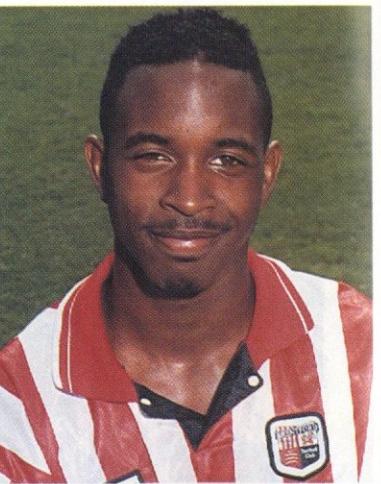
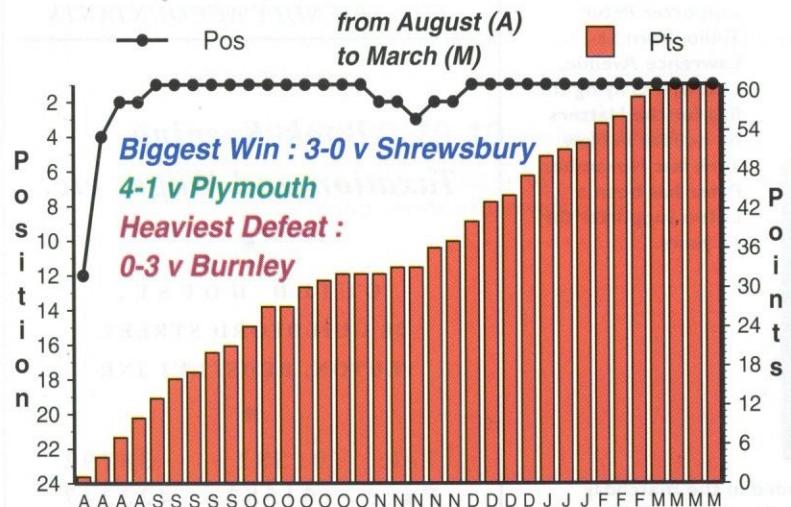


ABOVE: Back row: from l to r: Joe Omigie, Marcus Bent, Robert Taylor, Barry Ashby, Richard Goddard, Jamie Bates, Malcolm McPherson, Carl Asaba.

Middle row: Bob Booker (youth team manager), Gus Hurdle, David McGhee, Paul Smith, Tamer Fernandes, Kevin Dearden, Stuart Myall, Carl Hutchings, Roy Johnson (physio).

Front row: Paul Abrahams, Ijah Anderson, Lee Harvey, David Webb (manager), Kevin Lock (first team coach), Nick Forster (now with Birmingham), Kevin Dennis, Kevin Rapley.

LEFT: Brentford striker Carl Asaba is one of the leading scorers in Division Two, and netted the Bees' first in their 3-2 win over Luton in August.



LEFT: Brentford's league form so far this season

16 wins, 13 draws & 6 defeats - 1st

SPOTLIGHT ON TODAY'S VISITORS

KEVIN DEARDEN - Luton-born goalkeeper who joined on a free transfer from Tottenham in September 1993 and has been first choice ever since. Began as a trainee at White Hart Lane in 1988 but made only two appearances for Spurs.

TAMER FERNANDES - Goalkeeper who has come up through Brentford's junior ranks, signing professional in 1993. Former England Under-18 international.

JAMIE BATES - Inspirational club captain who was granted a well earned testimonial season last year. The former Bees junior made his debut at Carlisle in 1986 and has since filled every defensive position in over 300 appearances, though he is now firmly established at centre-half.

BRIAN STATHAM - Former England Under-21 defender who joined from Spurs in January 1992 for £70,000.

GUS HURDLE - Earned his chance at Brentford after approaching David Webb at the training ground and asking for a trial. Former Fulham junior who can play either right-back or in central defence.

BARRY ASHBY - Central defender who arrived in March 1994 in part of a swap deal that took Keith Millen to Watford. Has made over 100 league appearances for both the Hornets and the Bees.

IJAH ANDERSON - Former Spurs trainee who joined on a free transfer from Southend in July 1995. Made the left-back slot his own after Martin Grainger moved to Birmingham last March.

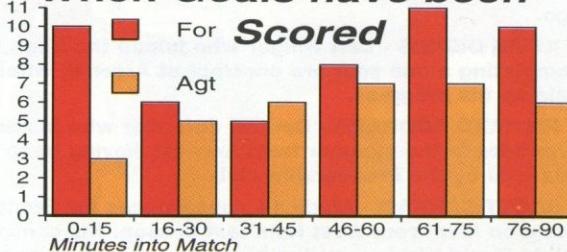
LEE HARVEY - Played the second-half of last season at right-back following Brian Statham's injury, but is now ruled out himself for the remainder of this campaign. Joined Brentford in 1993 after nine years at Leyton Orient and a brief spell at Nottingham Forest.

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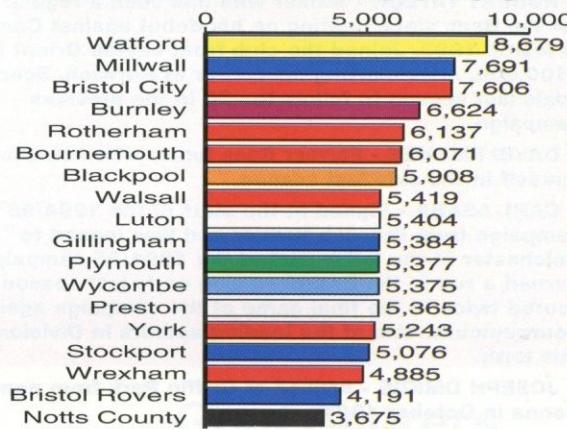
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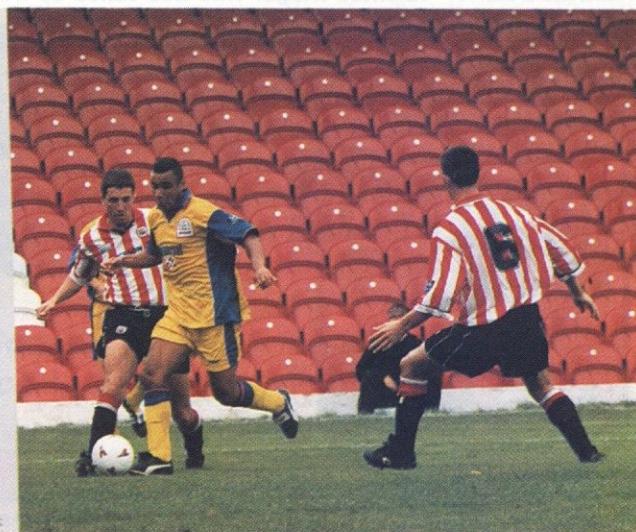
When Goals have been Scored



Griffin Park Gates



RIGHT: Kim Grant takes on the Brentford defence during the August meeting between the two sides earlier this season at Griffin Park, which the home team won 3-2 after twice being behind.



CARL HUTCHINGS - Former Brentford junior who signed professional forms in the 1993 close season. Versatile player who can play at full-back, in central defence or in midfield.

PAUL SMITH - Regular in the centre of midfield since rejoining David Webb at Griffin Park from Southend in the summer of 1993.

STUART MYALL - David Webb's first signing last summer on a free transfer from Brighton. Midfielder who began his career as a trainee at the Goldstone Ground five seasons ago.

KEVIN DENNIS - Left winger who joined the Bees after completing a one year pro contract at Arsenal, where injury held up his progress.

RICHARD GODDARD - Central defender who joined Brentford in the summer from Arsenal, having been released by the Premiership club.

SCOTT CANHAM - Made 14 appearances for Brentford while on loan from West Ham last season. His contribution led to David Webb securing his services on a permanent basis from the East London club in August of this year.

ROBERT TAYLOR - Striker who has been a regular scorer for the Bees since netting on his debut against Cambridge in March 1993. Joined the club from Leyton Orient for £100,000, after starting his career at Norwich. Scored 16 goals last season to follow the 25 in the previous campaign.

DAVID McGHEE - Former Bees junior who established himself in the side last season.

CARL ASABA - Signed at the start of the 1994/95 campaign from Dulwich Hamlet and was loaned to Colchester in the latter part of the 1994/95 campaign. Earned a run in the Brentford side early last season and scored twice in the final game of the campaign against Bournemouth. One of the leading scorers in Division Two this term.

JOSEPH OMIGIE - Arrived at Griffin Park from non-league Donna in October 1994.

MARCUS BENT - Talented winger who was called up from the South East Counties League side into the first team last season, responding with some fine displays and goals.

KEVIN RAPLEY - Another product of the Bees' junior system who signed professional terms in the summer.

MALCOLM McPHERSON - Snapped up on a free transfer from West Ham during the summer, having joined the Upton Park club from non-league Yeovil in 1993.



MEET THE MANAGER

The current campaign is the fourth at the helm for **DAVID WEBB** (pictured below), after replacing Phil Holder in June 1993.

After a distinguished playing career as a defender with Orient, Southampton, Chelsea, QPR, Leicester, Derby and Bournemouth, he became manager at Dean Court in December 1980, leading the Cherries to promotion from Division Four in 1982.

He moved to Torquay and then Southend, taking the latter from the fourth to the old second division, before leaving and returning to Chelsea, saving the Blues from relegation from the Premiership in 1993.

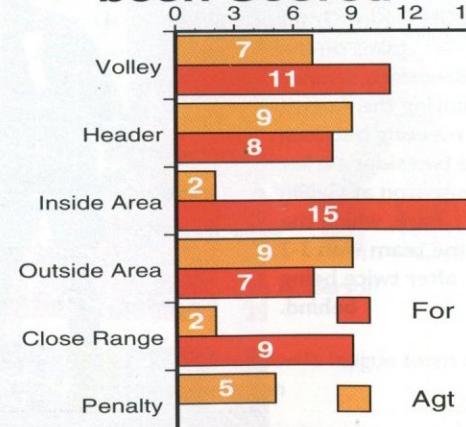
While a player at Stamford Bridge he earned FA Cup and European Cup Winners' Cup winners medals, and is perhaps best remembered for heading the winning goal in the 1970 FA Cup Final replay against Leeds at Old Trafford.

Webb's assistant is the former West Ham, Fulham and Southend defender **KEVIN LOCK**, who was in West Ham's 1975 FA Cup Final winning team.

Youth team coach is the former Brentford stalwart **BOB BOOKER**, who was at Griffin Park from 1978 to 1988.



How Goals have been Scored



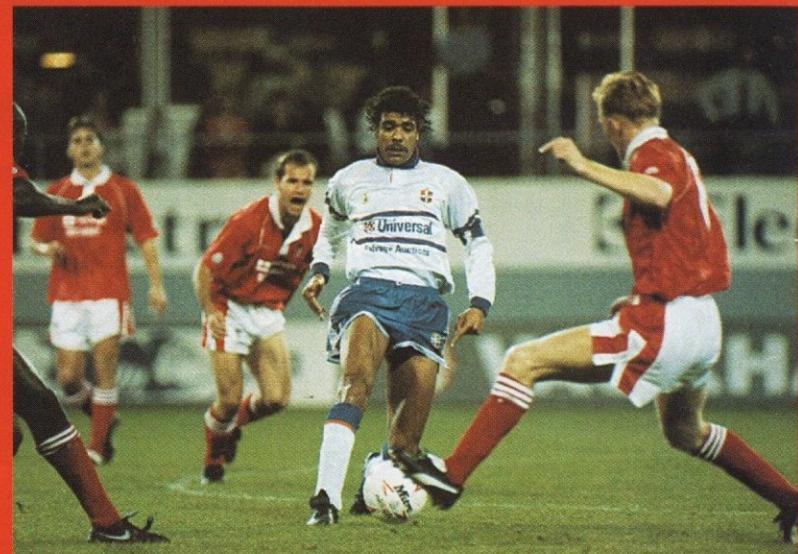
A Hatter & a Bee

Although **CHRIS KAMARA** was born and raised in Middlesbrough, he joined south coast side Portsmouth from school, and after coming up through the ranks made his league debut, coincidentally against the Town, in September 1975 at Fratton Park. For the record we won 2-0!

After a couple of seasons at Pompey he moved to Swindon for £20,000 and enjoyed four years at the County Ground before transferring to Brentford where he made 152 league appearances scoring 28 goals.

He then returned to Swindon in August 1985 and moved in quick succession to Stoke and Leeds for increasingly higher transfer fees. Obviously he matured with age!

After finding himself out of the side at Elland Road, after helping Howard Wilkinson's side back into the top flight, he came south again - this time to Kenilworth Road in



ABOVE: Chris Kamara in the thick of the action in the home FA Cup game against Bristol City in 1992/93.

he joined the Blades on a free transfer in the summer of 1993.

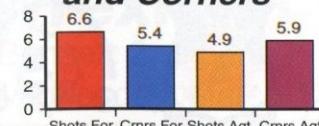
Moving on again a year later to Bradford City, he hung up his boots soon after and is now manager at Valley Parade (or the Pulse Stadium as it is now known), succeeding Lennie Lawrence in the hotseat. - ROGER WASH.

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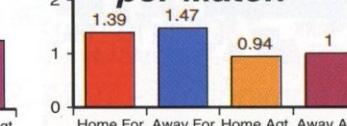


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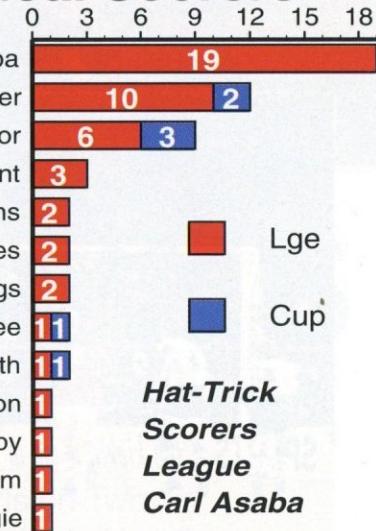
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Average Goals per Match



Goal Scorers





ACTION STATIONS



Wrexham 2 Luton Town 1

(Bennett 2, 1 pen) (Davis)

Wednesday, March 12, 1997 - Nationwide League Division Two

Attendance: 3,342

Pictures by Andy Handley

Calls cost 50p per minute at all times



↑
Wrexham's Andy Marriott saves from Welsh international colleague Ceri Hughes.

←
Ceri Hughes fires in a first-half shot against Wrexham at the Racecourse Ground.

Gary Bennett equalises for Wrexham from the penalty spot, a minute after Luton had gone in front.

→
Hatters' leading scorer Tony Thorpe is beaten to the ball by Wrexham keeper Andy Marriott.



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TRUE or FALSE?

1. Jimmy Greaves was the First Division's leading scorer from 1959 to 1969.

3. Fiorentina's Gabriel Batistuta holds the record for scoring in the first eleven matches in Serie A.

2. Every opening match of the World Cup from 1966 to 1978 ended 0-0

4. Newport County resigned from the Football League in 1992/93.

?QUICK QUIZ?

1. Which Nationwide side plays at The Hawthorns?
2. Who was the first Third Division player to be capped by England?
3. What was the attendance of the first European Championship Final?
4. With which club did Barry Horne begin his career?
5. Who is the chairman of Newcastle United?
6. Which Scottish Premier side plays at Parkhead?

IN WHICH YEAR DID...?
Arsenal win the League, Manchester United win the FA Cup, Hibernian win the Scottish League and Rangers win the Scottish Cup. Stan Mortenson scored in every round of the FA Cup in this year while Stanley Matthews won the first Footballer of the Year Award. 83,260 saw Manchester United play Arsenal at Maine Road as Old Trafford was shut due to bomb damage.

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SPOT THE GROUND?
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by Norman Hood



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SPOT THE GROUND? Goodison Park, Everton
IN WHICH YEAR? 1988
TRUE OR FALSE? 1. False, but he was leading scorer six times; 2. True; 3. True; 4. False, Middlesbrough United did.
WHO'S TROPHY CABINET? 1. West Bromwich Albion; 2. Jack Fair of Millwall; 3. 17,966; 4. Wrexham; 5. Sir John Hall; 6. Celtic.

Answers

WHO'S TROPHY CABINET?

Which club has lifted the following trophies?

FA Cup:

1904, 1934, 1956, 1969

League Cup:

1970, 1976

Division 1 Championship:

1936/37, 1967/68

Division 2 Championship:

1898/99, 1902/03, 1909/10,
1927/28, 1946/47, 1965/66

Euro Cup Winners Cup:

1969/70



Today's mascot



This afternoon's Junior Hatters mascot is 14-year-old RICHARD ORR who attends Weatherfields School.

His hobbies also include basketball, hockey and swimming, and his favourite Luton Town player is Ian Feuer. He plays for his school team, and comes to matches with his Dad and brother.

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JUNIOR HATTERS NEWS

Junior Hatters on the way to Wembley!

We have organised a JUNIOR HATTERS DAY TRIP TO WEMBLEY STADIUM, on Thursday, April 3, which also includes a sightseeing tour around London.

We head off to Wembley for a tour of the famous stadium, which includes a look around the dressing rooms, and a chance to go up the steps to the Royal Box.

After lunch the coach will take us round London to see the sights, before we head back to Luton.

Prices are £11 for Junior Hatters and £13.50 for adults, with the price including coach fare and entrance to Wembley Stadium. For more information please contact the ticket office.

Thanks to everyone who came with us to Crewe last Saturday, and we are now looking forward to our next away trip to Rotherham on April 5. But please note that the coach for Rotherham is now full.

As the kick-off for this game tonight has been brought forward a day, there is no Saturday Club in operation, but the Saturday Club will be back for the home game against Shrewsbury on April 19.

Don't forget to send in your poems or rhymes about your favourite teams and players, as mentioned in the latest edition of your Junior Hatters newsletter.



ABOVE: Gary Williamson was our Junior Hatters mascot for the game against Millwall. He is pictured above with the match officials and team captains prior to kick-off.

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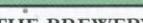


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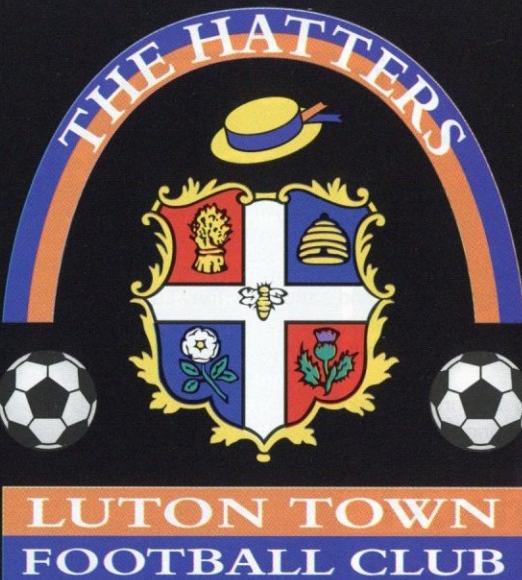
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'Over the Bar' Part Two is on page 44.....



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Nationwide Review off to a winning start

MORE than a few memories were stirred earlier this month when the more senior football observers attending matches in the Nationwide Football League spotted the new 'Nationwide Review' supplement tucked inside their matchday programme.

'The Football League Review' was a much sought-after inclusion in the club programmes of the late 1960s and early 1970s, and last weekend a similar production was included in the matchday magazines of the clubs playing at home in the Nationwide Football League.

This free magazine, which is being supported by Football League sponsors the Nationwide Building Society, consists of 16 pages in full colour, and includes articles on the 72 clubs throughout the three divisions, competitions and feedback from fans.

The Nationwide Review will be produced for each of the remaining weekends of the football season and it is anticipated that over 150,000 copies will be distributed each week to clubs playing at home and to Nationwide Building Society branches across the country - with an anticipated weekly readership in the region of 500,000 supporters.

Tony Leighton, the Editor of Nationwide Review, commented: "We hope it will be entertaining, informative and topical and will be the forum for informed football debate. If anyone has a story for the Nationwide Review they can contact me on 01283 840640."

(LTFC note: The Nationwide Review will be available with the LTFC programme at weekend home matches for the remainder of the season. Distribution may vary at away matches.)

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ABOVE: Northern Ireland international Darren Patterson (pictured above in action at Wrexham) is suspended for tonight's game. Darren's booking at Crewe last Saturday pushed him over the 21-point mark for the season in Luton matches, but the suspension is sooner than expected as he was in fact already over 21 points following a booking whilst on loan at Preston earlier this season. That yellow card came in the final of a Pre-Season Tournament against Blackpool which had been delayed into the campaign.

League confirm Finals and Play-Off times

THE kick-off times for all of the Football League's major events at Wembley Stadium this season have been confirmed, and these include a departure from the previous campaign for the League's two knockout competitions.

This season's Coca-Cola Cup Final on Sunday, April 6, will kick-off at 3pm and will be live on Sky Sports, whilst the Auto Windscreens Shield will kick-off at 1.30pm on Sunday, April 20, and will also attract live coverage from the satellite station.

The Nationwide League Play-Offs, which are being contested at Wembley for the eighth consecutive season, will once again take place over the Bank Holiday period between May 24 and 26, and will all kick-off at 3pm.

Without wishing to tempt fate, it is an appropriate moment to

remind you of the promotion and relegation format for Division Two this season, together with dates for the various matches.

Automatic promotion - top two.

Play-Offs - The next four teams contest the play-off to decide the third promotion place.

Semi-finals, first leg - Sunday, May 11 - 6th v 3rd, 5th v 4th.

Semi-finals, second leg - Wednesday, May 14 - 3rd v 6th, 4th v 5th.

The two semi-final winners will contest the Second Division Play-Off Final, for promotion to Division One, at Wembley on Sunday, May 25.

Relegation - bottom four.

Television coverage of the Play-Off matches has yet to be announced.



Hughes called up for World Cup bid

LUTON midfielder Ceri Hughes has been called up by Wales manager Bobby Gould for next Saturday's World Cup qualifier against Belgium, in Cardiff.

Ceri was a substitute in last month's friendly against the Republic of Ireland, and keeps his place for this vital qualifying match.

Unfortunately for the Hatters though, his call-up means Ceri will miss next weekend's trip to Burnley.

Meanwhile, Darren Patterson is on stand-by for Northern Ireland's B international, at home to Portugal, on Friday, March 28.



LEFT: Pictured, prior to the game against Millwall, with their winning drawings are the three winners in our recent Player Portrait Competition.

The winners were Megan Scrivener (under 10), Daniel Bennett (10 to 13) and Joanne Harris (14 to 16).

Runners up: Under 10: Peter Buckley, James Cooper, Laura Hogg, Andrew Jones, Louise O'Neill, Robert Taylor, Sarah Woodward.

10 to 13: Lindsey Bierton, Ceri Buckley, Victoria Farleigh, Jamie Greer, Nichola Jones, Stuart Jones, Catherine Pollard.

14 to 16: Rebecca Claridge, Kate Conway, Joel Driscoll, Helen Gatward, Jamie Greer, Claire Morris, Oliver Smith, Olivia Wells.

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TRUE or FALSE?

1. In 1994, Carlos Alberto became the first man to win the World Cup as manager and player.

3. SV Hamburg are the oldest German side.

2. The Football Pools first started in 1923

4. David Seaman started his career at Peterborough.

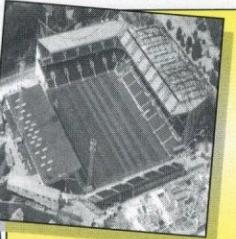
? QUICK QUIZ?

1. Who was the last Third Division player to be awarded an England cap?
2. Which nation's Football HQ are located in Gloucester?
3. Who did David Pleat succeed as Sheffield Wednesday manager?
4. Who scored the only goal of the 1985 FA Cup Final?
5. In which year were Chelsea formed?
6. Which Scottish side made their European debut in 1992?

IN WHICH YEAR DID...?

Leeds win the League, Liverpool win the FA Cup, Celtic win the Scottish League and Cup. The Scottish FA Player of the Year Award went to the whole Scotland World Cup Squad and three up/three down promotion/relegation came into effect. West Germany won the World Cup Final beating Holland?

ALL THESE EVENTS TOOK PLACE IN THE SAME YEAR



SPOT THE GROUND

This ground was originally built before the present owners were even formed. It has staged four England Internationals and three FA Cup finals. It became the first ground to have security fences. It had a weather vane which was said to bring good fortune to the club. Once it was taken down, the club suffered from a long spell of bad luck.

'Norm & Ec'

by Norman Hood



THE NEAREST THIS LOT'LL
GET TO A TOP OF THE TABLE
CLASH IS A GAME OF
SUBBUTEO!



SPOT THE GROUND: Stamford Bridge, Chelsea
IN WHICH YEAR: 1974.
TRUE OR FALSE: 1. False; 2. Dundee
WHO'S TROPHY CABINET: Dundee
STEVE BULL: Steve Bull
CANADA: In Gloucester, Ontario
NETHERS: 3. Trevor Francis; 4. Norman Whiteside; 5. 1905; 6. Archie.

Answers

WHO'S TROPHY CABINET?

Which Scottish club has lifted the following trophies?

Scottish Cup: 1910

B & Q Cup: 1990/91

Division 1 Championship:
1961/62, 1978/79,
1991/92

Division 2 Championship:
1946/47

Scottish League Cup:
1951/52, 1952/53,
1973/74



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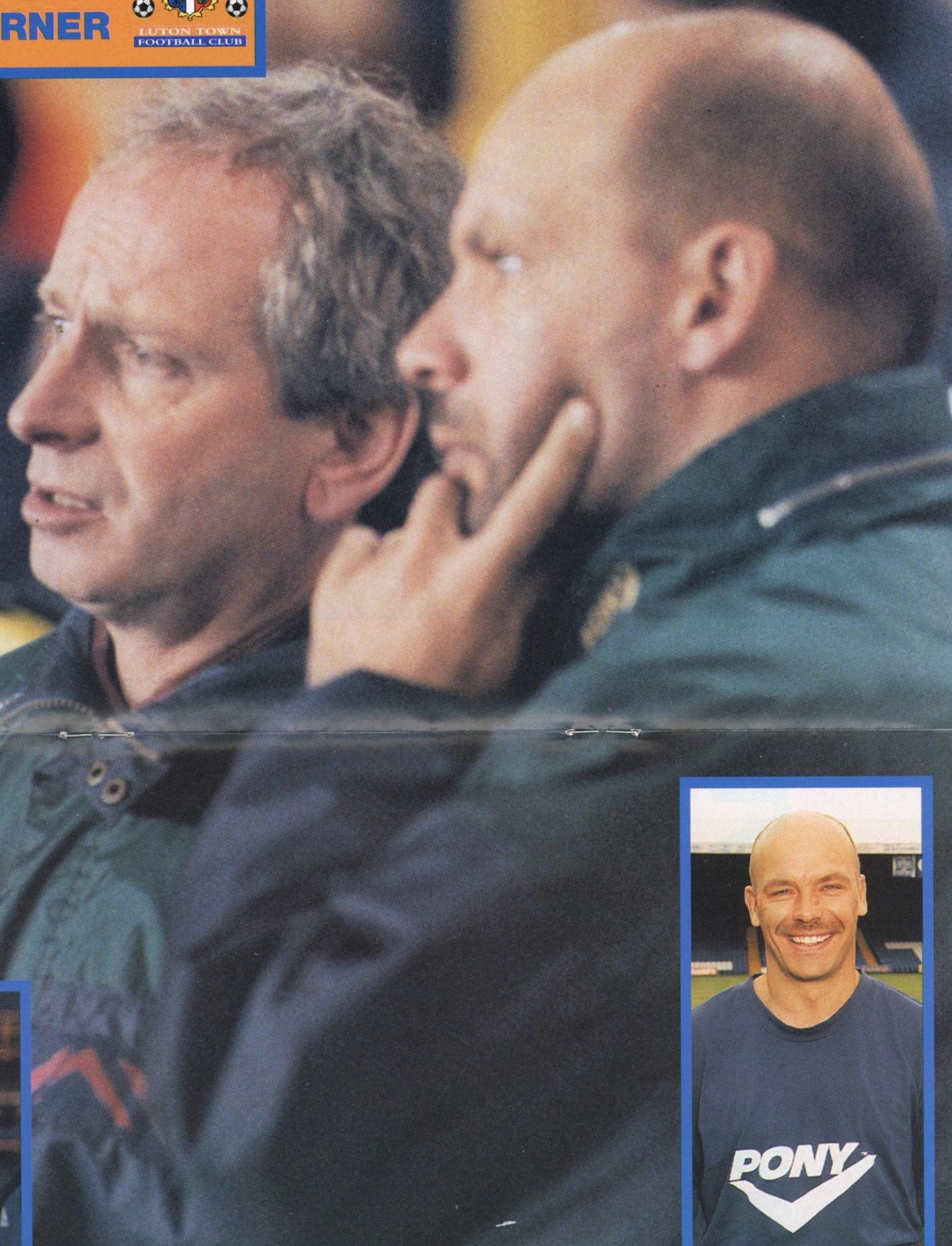
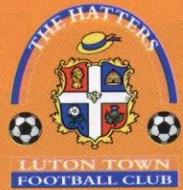
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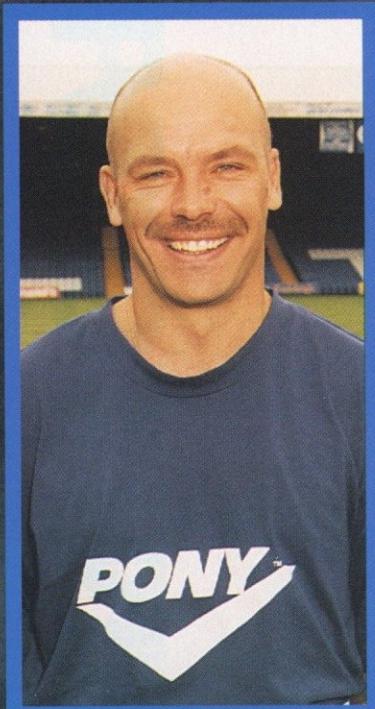
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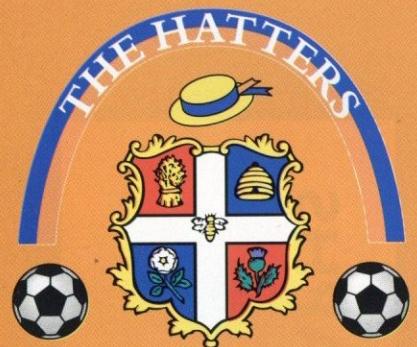


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LAST TIME WE MET..... August 24, 1996



LEFT: Mitchell Thomas and Steve Davis join the attack as the Hatters press for a late equaliser at Griffin Park.

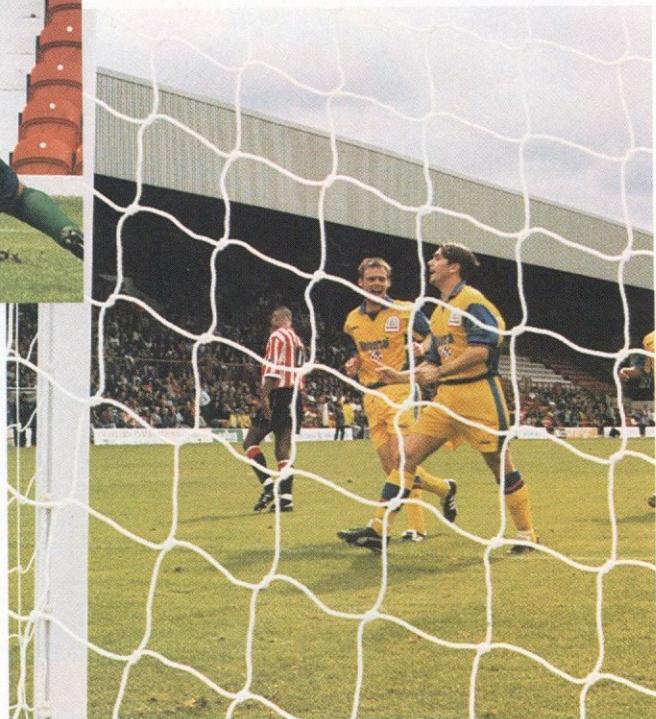
Brentford 3
(Asaba, Bates,
Taylor)
Luton Town 2
(Thorpe pen,
Hughes)
Attendance:
5,404



ABOVE: David Oldfield is fouled to give Tony Thorpe the opportunity of putting Luton in front from the penalty spot.

RIGHT: Celebrations for Thorpe as he nets his third goal of the season.

Pictures: ANDY HANDLEY



ACTION EXTRA..... Chesterfield v Luton



Just to prove there was a game going on.... action from Saltergate with Tony Thorpe putting Luton in front (left), with Thorpe and Kim Grant in second-half action.
Pictures: ANDY HANDLEY

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INJURY UPDATE

Thomas back after nose operation

MITCHELL THOMAS is due to return to the side this evening after recovering from the broken nose he suffered at York.

He has missed the last four games, but was back in training this week.

RICHARD HARVEY was due to return to competitive action in the reserves at Southampton on Wednesday evening.

Richard suffered a cruciate knee ligament injury during the pre-season game against West Ham, and was due to play 45 minutes against the Saints.

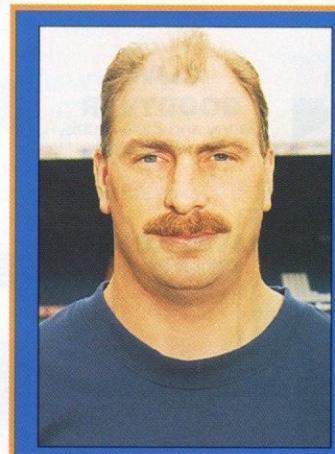
As I wrote in the Millwall programme, Richard was hoping to play against Ipswich reserves but he wasn't quite ready, and after so long out of the side we weren't going to rush anything.

BEN CHENERY is back in training after a thigh strain, and was also due to play at Southampton, whilst AARON SKELTON has had an injection in his injured knee which appears to have eased the problem.

DWIGHT MARSHALL, DES LINTON, STUART DOUGLAS and ANDREW FOTIADIS have all been receiving treatment for groin strains.

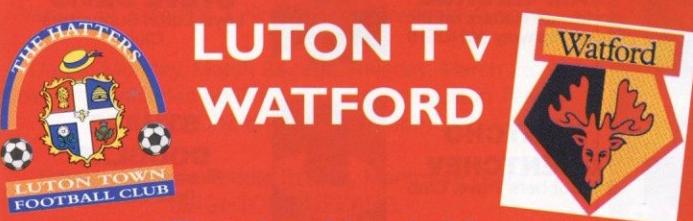
Dwight suffered his in training last Friday, and hence missed the trip to Crewe, with Des expected to return in the reserves at Southampton.

CHRIS WILLMOTT has undergone surgery to repair ruptured ligaments in his left knee, whilst youth team striker ANDREW BARR had a groin operation yesterday and will miss Tuesday's cup tie.



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LEFT: Des Linton was due to return from injury in the reserves on Wednesday.



RIGHT: Dwight Marshall suffered a groin strain in training last week.

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RESERVES AND YOUTH ROUND-UP



Wed Aug 28	WEST HAM (LC)	lost 3-0
Thur 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
Mon Dec 9	OXFORD UNITED	lost 2-0
Mon Dec 16	Crystal Palace	lost 2-0
Wed Jan 15	Bristol Rovers	won 2-1
Mon Jan 20	CARDIFF CITY	lost 3-2
Wed Feb 5	Ipswich Town	lost 1-0
Thu Feb 27	Arsenal	drew 1-1
Wed Mar 5	Charlton Athletic	drew 1-1
Mon Mar 10	Ipswich Town (LC)	lost 2-0
Wed Mar 19	Southampton	
Thur Mar 27	WATFORD	7pm
Mon Apr 7	BOURNEMOUTH	7pm*
Wed Apr 9	Norwich City	7.30pm
Mon Apr 14	SWANSEA CITY	7pm*
Wed Apr 16	CHELSEA	2pm
Wed Apr 23	Millwall	2pm
Mon Apr 28	Queens Park Rgrs	7pm
TBA	BRIGHTON	

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.

* Denotes rearranged match to be played at Hitchin.

LC - Avon Insurance Combination League Cup.

THE Reserves were due to play Southampton on Wednesday evening, with Richard Harvey set to play his first game back after a knee injury.

Des Linton was another player set to return after an injury lay-off, with Kim Grant and Liam George paired up front.

Probable side: Davis, Chinery, McIndoe, Evers, Upson, Linton, Guentchev, Kean, George, Grant, Harvey.

Subs: Scarlett, Doherty, Sweeney. The Reserves drew 1-1 at Charlton earlier this month, with substitute Liam George netting the Town goal.

Team: Abbey, Lawes, Fraser, McLaren, Jones, Upson, Kean, Evers, Douglas, Fotiadis, Sweeney (George). Subs not used: McIndoe, Spring. In the final game of the Combination League Cup 'round-robin' section, the reserves went down 2-0 at Ipswich, at a fog-bound Portman Road, to miss out on qualification for the next stage.

Team: Davis, Jones, McIndoe, Evers, Doherty, Upson, Kean, McLaren (Spring), Douglas (George), Fotiadis, Guentchev.

Sub not used: Sweeney. Due to the FA Youth Cup meeting with Watford next Tuesday, our reserve game against the Hornets has been switched to Thursday,

March 27, with a 7pm kick-off here at Kenilworth Road.

That FA Youth Cup quarter-final kicks-off at 7.30pm on Tuesday, with the winners playing Leeds in the semi-final.

The other semi-final will be between Crystal Palace and Blackburn or Norwich.

Meanwhile the youth team have remained top of South East Counties

AVON INSURANCE COMBINATION

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Plts
Portsmouth	17	11	1	5	29	20	34
Wimbledon	14	8	4	2	32	20	28
Ipswich	13	8	3	2	25	8	27
Tottenham	16	8	3	5	34	19	27
Arsenal	16	7	5	4	37	21	26
Chelsea	15	8	2	5	23	21	26
QPR	14	7	3	4	28	21	24
Bristol City	15	6	3	6	34	26	21
Brighton	15	5	6	4	29	29	21
C Palace	15	6	3	6	21	24	21
Bournemouth	14	6	2	6	28	31	20
Millwall	14	6	1	7	23	27	19
Oxford	15	5	3	7	28	28	18
LUTON TOWN	13	5	2	6	15	17	17
Watford	13	5	2	6	18	23	17
Cardiff	15	4	5	6	12	22	17
Swindon	14	4	4	6	24	26	16
Swansea	12	5	1	6	16	22	16
West Ham	15	4	3	8	19	25	15
Southampton	14	4	2	8	22	30	14
Norwich	15	3	4	8	22	33	13
Bristol R	14	3	4	7	13	27	13
Charlton	12	3	2	7	13	25	11

League table up to and including 15.3.97.

AVON INSURANCE COMBINATION 1996/97 APPS & SCORERS (10.3.97)

	APPS	G		APPS	G
Kelvin DAVIS	13		Des LINTON	5	
Sean EVERIS	15	2	Kim GRANT	2	
Ben CHENERY	13		Dwight MARSHALL	1 (1)	
Paul MCLAREN	12	1	Jimmy COX	(1)	
Gary SIMPSON	2		Stuart FRASER	2 (2)	
Chris WILLMOTT	14 (1)	1	Mark BROWN	1	
Boncho GUENTCHEV	5	1	David OLDFIELD	2	
Tony THORPE	3		Michael McINDOE	2	
John TAYLOR	4	1	Andrew FOTIADIS	4 (1)	
Stuart DOUGLAS	11 (1)	1	Lee MARSHALL	2	
Robert KEAN	17	3	Ian JONES	3 (1)	
Jamie WOODSFORD	3 (1)	2	A THOMPSON	1	
Andre SCARLETT	1 (2)		V MONTGOMERY	1	
Matthew UPSON	12	2	Russell LAWES	1	
Steve AUGUSTINE	(4)		Gary DOHERTY	1	
Nathan ABBEY	4				
Trevor PEAKE	2				
Darren PATTERSON	7				
Paul SHOWLER	3				
Aaron SKELTON	8	1			
Liam GEORGE	5 (5)	4			
Andrew BARR	(4)				
Matthew SPRING	(3)				
Terry SWEENEY	5 (2)				

League Cup Group 3

	P	W	D	L	F	A	PTS
West Ham	4	3	0	1	7	3	9
Arsenal	4	2	0	2	5	4	6
LUTON	4	2	0	2	4	5	6
Norwich	4	2	0	2	4	5	6
Ipswich	4	1	0	3	3	6	3

Division Two, with wins against Wycombe and Bournemouth.

They beat Wycombe 2-1 with goals from Gary Doherty and Michael McIndoe.

Team: Webb, Lawes, Fraser, Spring, Boyce, Upson, Scarlett (McCoy), George, Doherty, Sweeney, McIndoe (Ayres).

Sub not used: McCormack.

The youth team beat Bournemouth 4-1 last Saturday, with goals from Gary Doherty (2), Andre Scarlett and Liam George.

Team: Webb, Clarke, Fraser, Spring, Boyce, Upson, Cox (Scarlett), George, Akurang (Doherty), Sweeney (McCoy), McIndoe.

The Hatters will face Leighton Town in the final of the Beds Premier Cup.

The final is played over two legs, on a home and away basis, with the first leg at Bell Close and the second leg at Kenilworth Road.

No dates have yet been fixed for these games.

Following a number of postponements over the Christmas and New Year period, a number of youth team games have now been re-arranged in April.

Please see fixture list (right) for full details.

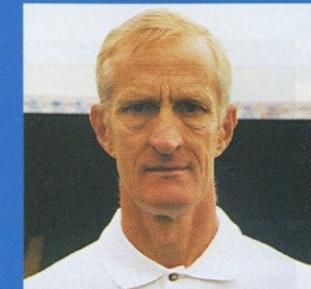
SOUTH EAST COUNTIES DIV TWO

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Plts
LUTON TOWN	23	17	4	2	50	21	38
C Palace	24	16	5	3	60	24	37
Oxford	24	11	10	3	46	31	32
Southampton	22	15	0	7	45	21	30
Tottenham	26	10	8	8	42	30	28
Wycombe	26	11	5	10	32	27	27
Swindon	23	9	6	8	42	34	24
Brighton	24	10	4	10	34	43	24
Colchester	23	8	6	9	37	32	22
Bristol C	22	8	6	8	36	42	22
Wimbledon	23	8	5	10	29	24	21
Bournemouth	20	8	4	8	32	39	20
Bristol R	23	7	3	13	36	45	17
Brentford	23	5	6	12	32	45	16
Reading	25	5	1	19	28	79	11
Barnet	25	2	3	20	18	62	7

League table as at March 8, 1997



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Sat Aug 17 Bristol Rovers	won 4-1
Sat Aug 24 READING	won 7-0
Tue Aug 27 Bournemouth (SJFC)	drew 1-1
Sat Aug 31 Colchester	lost 3-2
Tue Sep 3 B'MOUTH (SJFC)	won 3-1
Sat Sep 7 SOUTHAMPTON	won 1-0
Sat Sep 14 Cambridge U (LC1)	won 2-0
Tue Sep 17 Wolves (SJFC)	lost 2-1
Sat Sep 21 CRYSTAL PALACE	lost 1-0
Sat Sep 28 Tottenham	won 2-0
Sat Oct 5 OXFORD UTD	drew 1-1
Sat Oct 12 Swindon Town	drew 2-2
Wed Oct 16 Rushden & D (EJC)	won 3-2
Sat Oct 19 Colchester (LC2)	lost 3-2
Sat Oct 26 WIMBLEDON	won 2-0
Sat Nov 2 Wycombe W	won 1-0
Sat Nov 9 BARNET	won 2-1
Tue Nov 12 Hereford U (FAYC1)	won 3-1
Sat Nov 16 Bournemouth	won 2-0
Sat Nov 23 SWINDON TOWN	won 2-1
Sat Nov 30 BRIGHTON	drew 2-2
Mon Dec 2 Oxford Utd (FAYC2)	drew 1-1
Sat Dec 7 Brentford	won 3-1

YOUTH TEAM 1996/97 LEAGUE AND CUP APPEARANCES & SCORERS

Up to and including March 15, 1997.

	LGE APPS	G	CUP APPS	G
Daniel TATE	12		8	
Gary DOHERTY	19 (4)	7	9 (1)	
Ian JONES	12 (1)	2	5	1
Matthew UPSON	8		8	1
Steve AUGUSTINE	10	3	5	3
Matthew SPRING	22 (2)	2	11 (2)	2
Jimmy COX	13 (2)	1	8 (2)	3
Liam GEORGE	21 (2)	17	10	9
Andre SCARLETT	15 (7)	1	7 (3)	1
Andrew BARR	19 (1)	9	9 (1)	5
Andrew SMITH	4 (2)	3	4	2
Russell LAWES	16 (1)		9 (2)	
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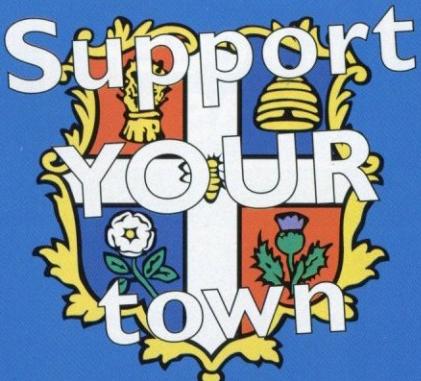
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Those were the days



by **ROGER
WASH**

THE summer of 1963 saw the Town back in the old Division Three for the first time since 1937, and after four years of struggle we looked forward to a period of consolidation before making a push back to the top flight which we had left in 1960.

With a team made up of veterans and other clubs' cast offs we had one ace up our sleeve in a young goalscorer signed from Chester the previous season - Ron Davies.

Davies had been enticed to Kenilworth Road in October 1962 and became an instant crowd favourite, scoring 21 league goals in 29 games in a poor Luton side.

I shudder to think how many more games we would have lost during that relegation season if he had not been taking the weight of the forward line on his shoulders.

All seemed set fair as we started 1963/64 with Walsall the visitors to Kenilworth Road, and a healthy crowd saw the aging Gordon Turner score a solitary goal to secure a 1-0 victory.

After a narrow defeat at Crewe and a 1-1 draw at Reading, the early season news that we had all been dreading, but unfortunately expecting, spread through the streets of Luton. Ron Davies had been sold.

Looking back, the fee of £35,000 paid by second division Norwich turned out to be an absolute steal considering the sterling service he gave the Canaries, and later Southampton and Wales. In our eyes, scoring six goals against the Norfolk side the previous season was the worst thing he could have done, given the relentless way Norwich manager Ron Ashman had chased his man afterwards.

A poor Luton side became even poorer with the sale of Davies and the goalscoring completely dried up. The mantle of leading the attack was placed firmly in the hands of 33-year-old Gordon Turner who was surrounded by some pretty ordinary players.

Instead of looking forward to a season where we

got the club back on the right lines, it looked like we were set to plummet straight through to Division Four.

During the first half of the campaign we suffered some heavy defeats with 4-0 and 4-1 home thrashings by Crystal Palace and Bristol City still fresh in my mind after all these years!

By the time Christmas came we were struggling at the bottom of the table with a grand total of four wins to our credit.

A forward from Northampton, Ray Smith, had been signed for £5,000, but he lasted only a few anonymous games before disappearing off to non-league football, while another forward, brought to Kenilworth Road in December 1963 caused barely a ripple of enthusiasm amongst the by now highly cynical Luton supporters.

John O'Rourke was 18 when he came to Luton having become

surplus to requirements at Chelsea where Tommy Docherty was blessed with plenty of forward cover. As O'Rourke had also been given a free transfer by Arsenal in his short career we could hardly be blamed for accusing the board of taking on yet another cast off.

O'Rourke made his debut on December 21 1963 in a 2-1 home win over Reading and he immediately caught the eye with his youthful enthusiasm and no little skill, and by the time of his first goal, in a 3-1 home victory against Colchester in January 1964, he had been taken to our hearts.

Although we had started to pick up the occasional home win, our away record was dire without a victory on foreign soil since October 1962, and it could therefore be fully understood that only a handful of Luton supporters made their way to Griffin Park, Brentford, on February 8, 1964 to see bottom of the table Town take on a Bees side that had won easily 2-0 at Kenilworth Road the previous September.



LEFT: The Town side on the opening day of the 1963/64 season. Back row: I to r: King (trainer), Daniel, Morton, Bayham, Fincham, Pacey, Bramwell. Front row: Walden, Turner, Davies, Salisbury, Jardine.

We looked set for yet another defeat as early as the 11th minute, when Brentford winger Mark Lazarus raced from his own half to set up an easy chance for Billy McAdams to give the Bees a 1-0 lead which was easily held until half-time.

What happened in the first 21 minutes of the second period created a new Luton hero and made a complete mockery of the Town's lowly league placing.

On 46 minutes, Harry Walden equalised for the Town with a simple tap in, before John O'Rourke took over, scoring four goals - including a seven minute hat-trick - to turn the game on its head.

Lazarus had knocked in a consolation for Brentford in amongst O'Rourke's devastating spell, but Walden put the game beyond any doubt just before the end with his second and the Town's sixth.

Brentford complained about an injury to goalkeeper Chick Brodie, but as the score was 4-2 in our favour when he left the field, it hardly mattered.

O'Rourke was a revelation that season as his 22 goals from only 23 games proved, with the Town escaping relegation at the death following a run of nine games without defeat at the end of the campaign.

Tommy Docherty was left to rue his decision to let O'Rourke go, while we would never again moan about cast offs.... not for a couple of years anyway!

Luton: Bayham, McBain, Bramwell, Pacey, Caleb, Lownds, Walden, McKechnie, O'Rourke, Reid, Riddick.

Brentford: Brodie, Jones, Thomson, Smith, Gelson, Higginson, Lazarus, Fielding, McAdams, Ward, Block.

5 YEARS AGO

21/3/92: Despite a Mark Pembridge goal in the first minute, the Town went down 2-1, in controversial fashion, to fellow Division One strugglers Southampton at the Dell, in front of a crowd of 15,315.

10 YEARS AGO

21/3/87: A dull 0-0 draw at Norwich was enlivened by a tussle between Town fullbacks Rob Johnson and Ashley Grimes, which led to Grimes being ordered off!

15 YEARS AGO

20/3/82: An end-to-end game at Selhurst Park ended with a final score of 3-3, after a late Palace equaliser. Raddy Antic, David Moss and Brian Stein were the Luton goalscorers.

20 YEARS AGO

19/3/77: In our first (and last) trip to Hereford, a solitary goal from Ron Fletcher earned us both points. The win pushed us up to third place in the old Division Two.



Tony Thorpe's first-half header hit the crossbar.

David Oldfield beats Millwall defender Tony Witter to the ball, but his header went just wide. (Inset, substitute Kim Grant tests Millwall keeper Tim Carter.)

Northern Ireland international Darren Patterson is tackled by Paul Hartley.

Tony Thorpe and Alan McLeary challenge for possession.



ACTION STATIONS



Luton Town 0 Millwall 2

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Pictures by Andy Handley

League delegation travel to Europe

A SENIOR delegation from the Football League have met recently with leading EC figures, including commissioner Karel Van Miert, to discuss the major issues facing football.

The Football League's delegation, led by Chairman David Sheepshanks and Secretary David Dent, met with key department heads, UEFA and the senior European Commissioner Karel Van Miert.

The visit was organised by Mark Hendrick MEP, whose assistance David Sheepshanks described as invaluable.

Mr Sheepshanks commented: "With the Football League representing 75 per cent of the professional game in this country it is vital for the health of our Football League clubs that we personally meet with the important decision makers in Europe."

"Changes to the game may be inevitable as a result of the Bosman ruling. Whatever these are it is important that the Football League plays an active part in managing these changes."

"We need to play our part in forging the future direction of the national game."



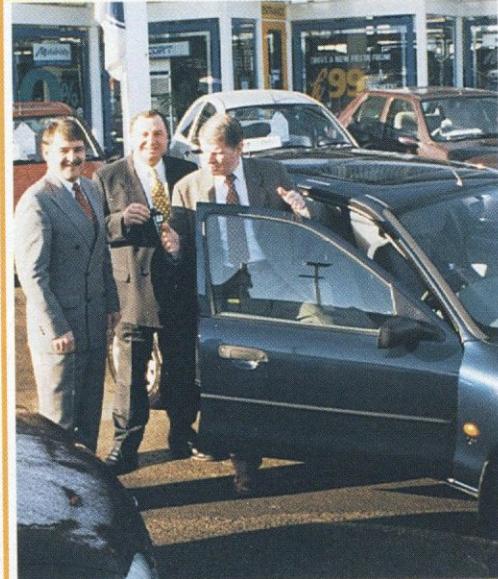
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Pulis is Div Two winner

GILLINGHAM manager Tony Pulis was the Second Division Manager of the Month for February, after steering the Priestfield club to an unbeaten month from their four Nationwide fixtures.

The Gills recorded 10 points from the maximum 12 available in the month which helped the Kent club to pull away from the relegation zone and put them within a handful of victories from the play-off chasing pack.

Portsmouth boss Terry Fenwick won the



Motson signs for Sky.... Sky Ford!

JOHN Motson, perhaps English television's best-known football commentator, has signed for Sky.... Sky Ford that is!

John, a regular visitor to Kenilworth Road, who will be commentating on this season's FA Cup Final for the BBC, has taken delivery of a new Ford Mondeo, supplied by Sky Ford of Hemel Hempstead.

The car was handed over to him (left) by the dealership's joint Managing Directors Chris Green and Paul Hancock.

"I have known Chris, a director at Luton Town, and Paul for ages," said John, "and whilst I'm a neutral at football, I've been a Ford fan for years."

Win tickets for your Junior team

OUR latest Team of the Month Award winners are Lancaster Park FC's Under 12 side, playing their first season in the Windowcraft Chiltern Youth League.

Following the large number of postponements over Christmas and the New Year we still have a number of awards to make.

The Loyal Luton Supporters Club are once again sponsoring the Young Team of the Month Award, having received a grant from NatWest Bank as part of the bank's Community Action

Scheme. 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.

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 hasn't already been selected, they might be next month.

All remaining nominations will be considered throughout the rest of the season.

Transfer deadline at 5pm next Thursday!

THE 72 Nationwide League clubs have been reminded by the Football League that the transfer deadline for the registration of players this season falls at 5pm on Thursday, March 27, 1997, and players registered after this date will only be eligible to play in League or Cup matches where permission is given by the Board of Directors.

The Football League's Board of Directors will only allow such players to play in matches which will not have a bearing on promotion or relegation issues - and since the introduction of the play-off system such games are becoming increasingly few.

The League has stressed to its clubs that they must have a sufficient number of goalkeepers on their books prior to the transfer deadline as the Board of Directors will not give dispensation to clubs to sign and play goalkeepers after the deadline. Clubs have also been informed by the League that the deadline for registering players for

fixtures in the Nationwide Football League over the Easter period is a little earlier on Thursday, March 27 at 12 noon.

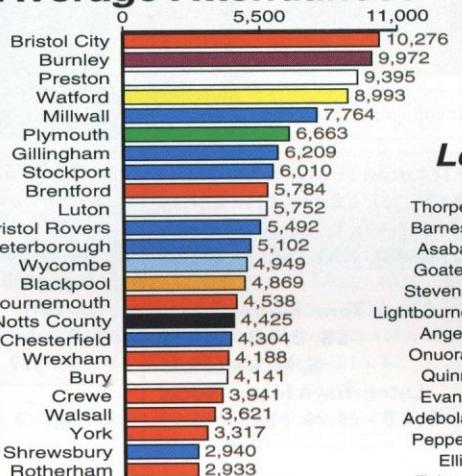
No former Town players were involved in Nationwide transfers during February, but earlier this month former Luton striker Kurt Nogan was on the move, making the short journey from Burnley to fellow Division Two side Preston.

Nogan started his career at Kenilworth Road before being released by the Hatters and moving on to Brighton.

He moved to Burnley for £300,000 a couple of seasons ago, and scored here for Burnley on the opening day of the current campaign.

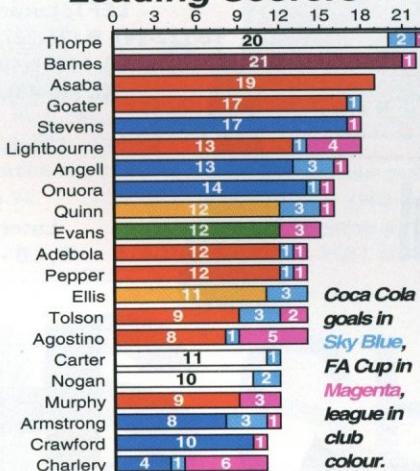
He is also one of a successful line of youngsters recommended to the club from Wales by scout Cyril Beech - a list which includes full internationals John Hartson, Ceri Hughes and Mark Pembrey.

Average Attendances



DIVISION TWO 1996/97

Leading Scorers



Stats for 96/97 by FOOTBALL INFORMATION SERVICES.
Up to and including Saturday, March 15, 1997.

FORTHCOMING MATCHES IN NATIONWIDE LEAGUE DIVISION TWO

Friday, March 21
LUTON TOWN v Brentford

Saturday, March 22
Bournemouth v York
Blackpool v Bristol City
Bury v Chesterfield
Crewe v Peterborough
Gillingham v Wycombe
Millwall v Watford
Notts County v Stockport
Plymouth v Wrexham
Shrewsbury v Rotherham
Walsall v Burnley

Sunday, March 23
Bristol R v Preston NE

Tuesday, March 25
Crewe v Bristol City
Notts County v Bury
Rotherham v Gillingham
Wrexham v Brentford

Friday, March 28
Wrexham v Millwall

Saturday, March 29
Brentford v Bury
Bristol City v Gillingham
Burnley v LUTON TOWN
Chesterfield v Blackpool
Peterborough v Bristol R
Preston v Notts County
Rotherham v Walsall
Stockport v Crewe
Watford v Bournemouth
Wycombe v Shrewsbury
York v Plymouth

Monday, March 31
Blackpool v Rotherham
Bristol R v Wrexham
Bury v Wycombe
Crewe v Preston
Gillingham v Brentford
Notts County v Peterborough
Plymouth v Watford

Tuesday, April 1
Bournemouth v Stockport
LUTON TOWN v Bristol City
Shrewsbury v Burnley
Walsall v Chesterfield

Further midweek fixtures may be included in the Division Two programme, depending on Auto Windscreens Shield and FA Cup commitments.

CLUB SHOP SALE STARTS TODAY - reduced prices on some clothing & souvenirs

OPENING TIMES

MONDAY TO FRIDAY

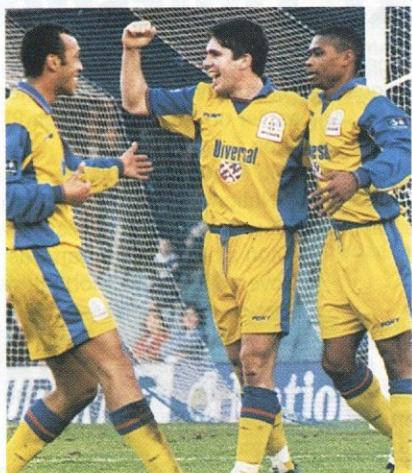
10am to 4pm

EVENING MATCHDAYS

10am to 10pm

SATURDAYS - MATCHDAYS

10am-3pm & 4.45-5.15pm
- non matchdays 9am
until coaches leave for
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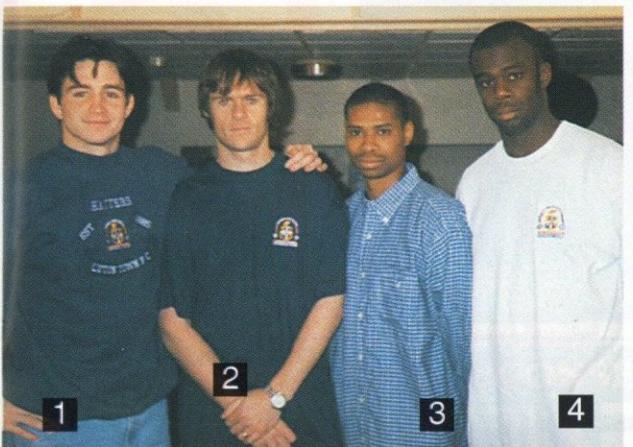
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Luton Town 'Third' Socks
B, LB - £5.99. Mens - £7.99

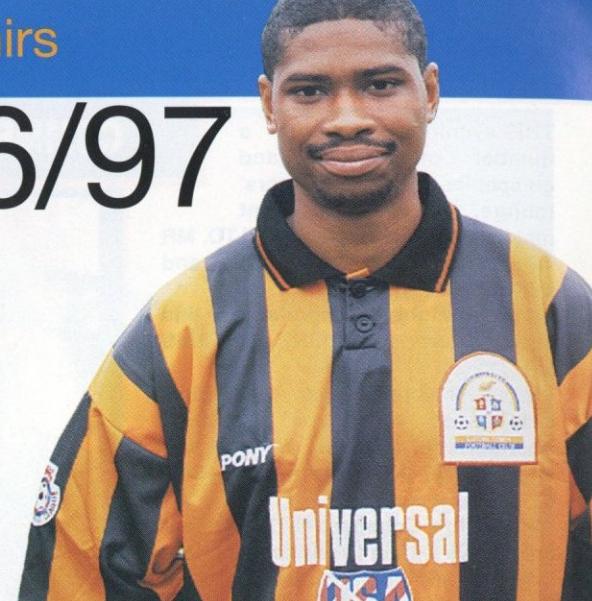
LTFC KIT PRICES 1996/97



1. Capital sweatshirt - navy/grey - S, M, L, XL - £34.99.
2. Navy/black check long sleeve - one size fits all - £25.00
3. Ecru long sleeve shirt, navy collar & cuff - one size fits all - £24.00
4. LTFC split vent sweatshirt - M, L, XL - £26.00



1. Embossed sweatshirt, marle blue - M, L, XL - £26.00
2. Crest T-shirt, navy or black - M, L, XL - £16.50
3. Blue check, long sleeve, cotton shirt - SB, B, LB, Yths - £15.95
- M, L, XL - £24.00
4. Crest T-shirt, grey or royal blue - M, L, XL - £16.50

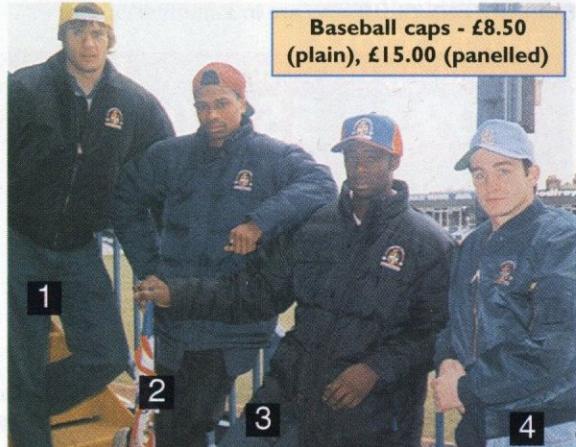


Luton Town Away Shirts
SB (22-24), B (26-28),
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S (34-36), M (38-40),
L (42-44) - £34.99
XL (46-48),
XXL (50+) - £36.99

Luton Town Away Shorts
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S, M, L - £19.99

Luton Town Away Socks
B, LB - £5.99
Mens - £6.99

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1. MA2 jackets, black/navy - childrens £33.00
- adults £43.00
2. 'Rubber puffa', navy only - S, M, L, XL - £75.00
(NB available from mid-February)
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Our matchball sponsors this evening are FLEX LINK SYSTEMS LTD.

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.

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COMMERCIAL NEWS



with **KATHY
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executive boxes this season, hoping to cheer the Hatters to the top of the league.

Happy Birthday to Peter Davies, who is celebrating his 50th birthday this evening in box number 8.

Following last month's successful Dinner Dance, we are planning a number of events including a Golf Day, and an end-of-season May Ball. Details can be found in today's programme, or are available from the Commercial Department on (01582) 411622.

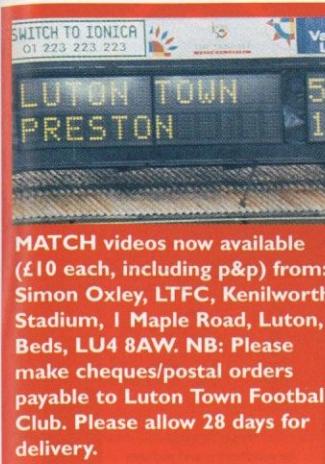
Also in this programme you can find details of our new Prizeline, where you can win a number of special Luton Town prizes.



This evening's Commercial Mascots are DANIEL MURTAGH EDMUNDSON and LUCINDA SIBLEY. Daniel, 6, attends Icknield Infants School, and his favourite player is Ceri Hughes. Lucinda, 12, attends St Albans High School, and her favourite player is Tony Thorpe.



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.

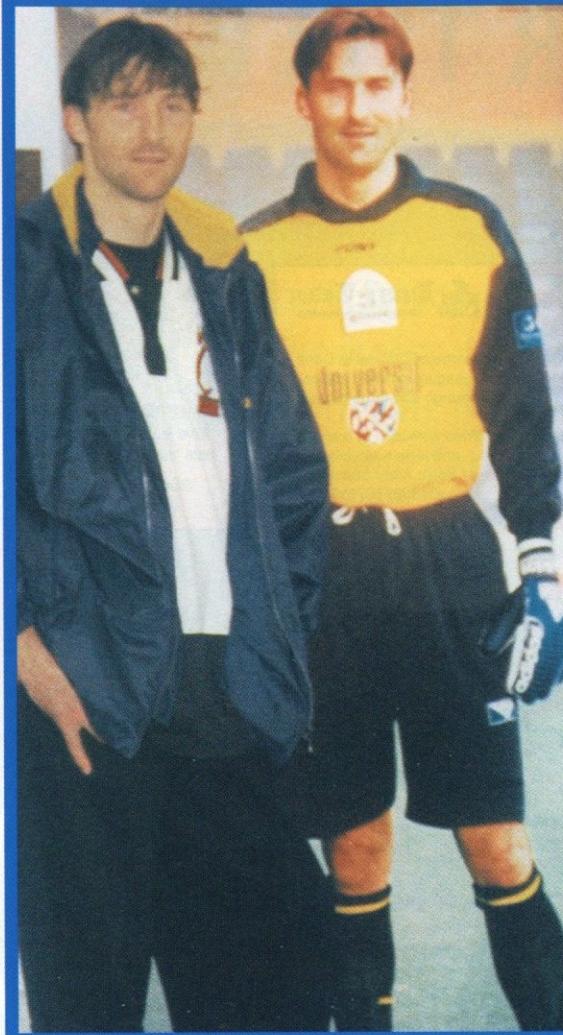


DATES FOR YOUR DIARY....

Luton Town Football Club
End of Season 'MAY BALL'
Queensway Hall, Dunstable -
Friday, May 16, 1997

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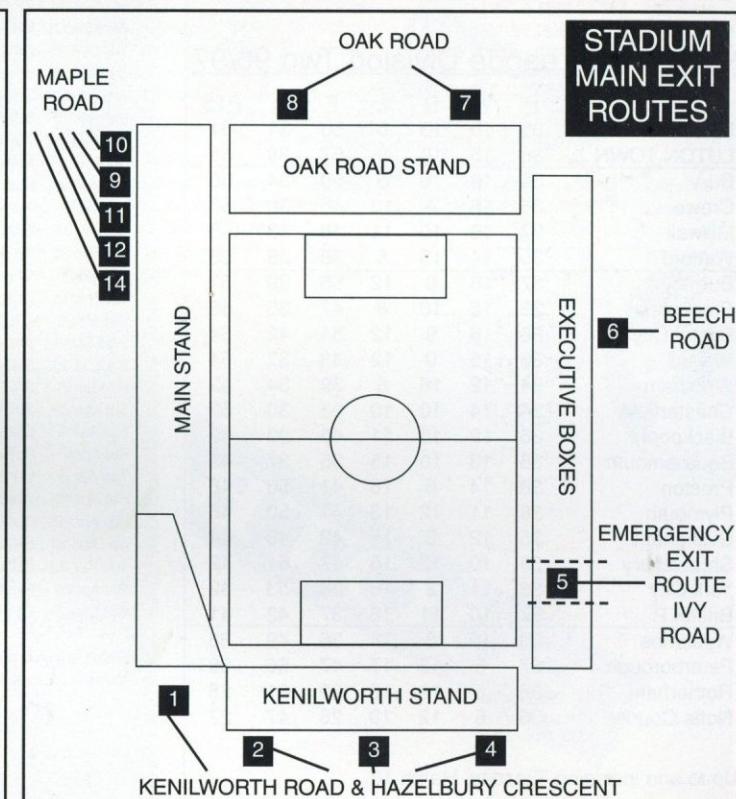
LTFC EVACUATION PROCEDURE

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.

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TEAM Statistics

LUTON TOWN 1996/97

PLAYER (figure in bracket = sub app.)	LEAGUE APPS	LEAGUE GOALS	CUP APPS	CUP GOALS
Ian FEUER	35	11		
Julian JAMES	35	1	11	1
Mitchell THOMAS	31	3	9	
Gary WADDOCK	27 (1)	2	8	
Darren PATTERSON	7		3 (1)	
Marvin JOHNSON	33		10	1
Bontcho GUENTCHEV	14 (10)	1	6 (4)	
Graham ALEXANDER	34 (1)	2	11 (1)	
David OLDFIELD	21 (6)	6	5 (2)	2
Kim GRANT	8 (12)	2	6 (2)	3
Tony THORPE	29 (2)	20	6 (1)	3
Andrew FOTIADIS	5 (6)	1	(4)	
Des LINTON	3 (4)		4	
Steve DAVIS	33 (1)	6	12	1
Ceri HUGHES	30	4	12	2
Paul SHOWLER	20 (2)	6	7 (2)	
Matthew UPSON	(1)			
Stuart DOUGLAS	2 (7)		1 (1)	
Paul McLaren	6 (9)		(1)	
Aaron SKELTON	2 (1)		3	
Dwight MARSHALL	9 (7)	3	5 (1)	3
Kelvin DAVIS			1	
Sean EVER	1		1	
Own goal.				1

Nationwide League Division Two 96/97

	P	W	D	L	F	A	PTS
Brentford	35	16	13	6	50	34	61
LUTON TOWN	35	16	10	9	57	39	58
Bury	34	16	10	8	50	34	58
Crewe	35	18	4	13	46	38	58
Millwall	37	16	10	11	46	43	58
Watford	35 (14)	16	5	38	26	58	
Burnley	37	16	9	12	58	39	57
Stockport	33	15	10	8	47	35	55
Bristol City	36	15	9	12	54	42	54
Walsall	36	15	9	12	43	37	54
Wrexham	34	12	16	6	39	34	52
Chesterfield	34	14	10	10	33	30	52
Blackpool	36	12	13	11	45	39	49
Bournemouth	38	13	10	15	35	37	49
Preston	38	14	6	18	41	50	48
Plymouth	36	11	12	13	41	50	45
Gillingham	35	12	8	15	42	49	44
Shrewsbury	38	10	12	16	47	61	42
York City	36	11	9	16	38	53	42
Bristol R	37	10	11	16	37	42	41
Wycombe	36	10	8	18	36	49	38
Peterborough	37	8	12	17	47	66	36
Rotherham	36	5	13	18	29	51	28
Notts County	36	5	12	19	26	47	27

Up to and including Tuesday, March 18.

1996-97 See page 47 for Division Two stats

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	(Alexander)	(Guentchev)	(Showler)		
Tue Aug 27	Bristol City	0-5	7,028	24	Feuer	James	Thomas	Waddock	S.Davis	Patterson	Hughes	(Showler)	(Oldfield)	(Grant)	Thorpe	(Thorp)	(Guentchev)	(Upson)	
Sat Aug 31	ROTHERHAM	1-0	4,547	19	Feuer	(James)	THOMAS	Waddock	S.Davis	Johnson	Hughes	Alexander Oldfield	(Grant)	SHOWLER	Thorpe	(Fotiadis)	McLaren		
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	(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	(Thorpe)	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 Oldfield	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	2-1	5,315	4	Feuer	James	Thomas	McLaren	S.Davis	Johnson	Hughes	Alexander (Showler)	THORPE(MARSHALL)	(Guentchev)	(Grant)	Skelton			
Sat Nov 30	Bournemouth	2-3	4,322	6	Feuer	JAMES	Thomas	(Skelton)	S.Davis	Johnson	Hughes	Alexander (Showler)	(Thorpe)	MARSHALL	(Guentchev)	(Grant)	(Linton)		
Tue Dec 3	YORK CITY	2-0	4,401	4	Feuer	James	Thomas	McLaren	S.Davis	Johnson	Hughes	Alexander Showler	THORPE(MARSHALL)	(Guentchev)	(Grant)	Linton			
Sat Dec 7	BOREHAM WOOD FAC2	2-1	5,332	-	Feuer	James	(Skelton)	Waddock	S.Davis	Patterson	Hughes	Alexander Showler	THORPE(MARSHALL)	(Guentchev)	(Grant)	McLaren			
Tue Dec 10	LEYTON ORIENT AWS1	2-1	1,594	-	K.Davis	(James)	Skelton	(Waddock)	S.DAVIS	Patterson	Hughes	Linton	Guentchev	GRANT	(Marshall)	(Oldfield)	(Showler)	(Alexander)	
Sat Dec 14	CREWE ALEXANDRA	6-0	5,455	3	Feuer	James	Thomas	Waddock	S.Davis	Johnson	McLaren	ALEX'DERSHOWLER	(THORPE 3)	(Marshall)	(OLDFIELD)	(Grant)	Linton		
Wed Dec 18	Millwall	1-0	7,077	1	Feuer	James	Thomas	Waddock	S.Davis	Johnson	HUGHES	Alexander Guentchev	Thorpe	(Marshall)	(Oldfield)	Grant	McLaren		
Thu Dec 26	Gillingham	2-1	8,598	2	Feuer	James	Thomas	Waddock	S.Davis	Johnson	Hughes	Alexander Guentchev	THORPE 2	(Marshall)	(Guentchev)	(Linton)	(Oldfield)		
Sat Jan 18	WREXHAM	0-0	5,734	2	Feuer	James	Thomas	(McLaren)	S.Davis	Johnson	Hughes	Alexander Showler	Thorpe	(Marshall)	(Guentchev)	(Grant)	(Oldfield)		
Tue Jan 21	BOLTON WANDERERS FA3	1-1	7,414	-	Feuer	James	Thomas	Linton	S.Davis	JOHNSON	Hughes	Alexander Showler	Thorpe	(Marshall)	(Guentchev)	(Grant)	(Skelton)		
Sat Jan 25	Bolton Wanderers FA3R	2-6	9,713	-	Feuer	James	Thomas	Linton	S.Davis	Johnson	Hughes	Alexander Showler	THORPE(MARSHALL)	(Guentchev)	(Grant)	Patterson	(Guentchev)	(Fotiadis)	
Mon Jan 27	WATFORD	0-0	7,428	2	Feuer	James	Thomas	Linton	S.Davis	Johnson	Hughes	Alexander Showler	Thorpe	(Marshall)	(Guentchev)	(Grant)	(Patterson)	(Marshall)	
Sat Feb 1	Notts County	2-1	5,025	2	Feuer	James	Thomas	(Linton)	S.Davis	Johnson	HUGHES	ALEXANDER Oldfield	(Thorpe)	Guentchev	(Patterson)	(Grant)	(Skelton)		
Tue Feb 4	Northampton AWS2	0-1	4,201	-	Feuer	Patterson	Thomas	Evers	S.Davis	Johnson	Hughes	Alexander Grant	(Marshall)	(Guentchev)	(Oldfield)	(Fotiadis)	(Willmott)		
Sat Feb 8	PLYMOUTH ARGYLE	2-2	6,439	2	Feuer	James	Thomas	(Evers)	S.Davis	Johnson	Guentchev	Alexander Oldfield	THORPE 2	(Marshall)	(Patterson)	(Fotiadis)	(Linton)		
Sat Feb 15	Bristol Rovers	2-3	5,612	2	Feuer	James	(Thomas)	McLaren	S.Davis	Johnson	Guentchev	Alexander Oldfield	THORPE (Linton)	(WADDOCK)	(Fotiadis)	(Marshall)	(McLaren)		
Sat Feb 22	PRESTON NORTH END	5-1	6,454	2	Feuer	James	THOM												

Today's referee is

PAUL TAYLOR

from Cheshunt, in
Hertfordshire.

Mr Taylor, a Computing
Group Manager at BT,
refereed our Coca-Cola
Cup match here against
Bristol Rovers earlier this
season.

J.F. Moore



M. Tingey



WEEKEND'S OTHER DIV TWO MATCHES

Playing Saturday:
Bournemouth v York City
Blackpool v Bristol City
Bury v Chesterfield
Crewe v Peterborough
Gillingham v Wycombe
Millwall v Watford
Notts County v Stockport C
Plymouth v Wrexham
Shrewsbury v Rotherham
Walsall v Burnley

Playing Sunday:
Bristol R v Preston NE

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Tony THORPE 10 **Scott CANHAM**

Paul McLAREN 11 **Robert TAYLOR**

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