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the game. This raises two important issues:

Firstly, is it right that a referee and manager should discuss such issues in privacy before a game? And, should it not have been the duty of the referee to have informed United officials of the conversation instead of denying United access to such a blatant bending of the rules?

Secondly, in Frankland's opinion, the two players were 'not interfering' with play. The question is asked then, if it was not the two players' intention to obscure Tony Caig's view, what other reason would they have had to stand a good five yards offside right in the middle of the goal? The fact that they ran away from the goal when the kick was taken makes no difference - they obscured Caig's line of view and served as a distraction. If such a move is legitimate, what then is stopping six or seven players lining up in a wall? Where will referees such as Graham Frankland then draw the line and deem their presence as 'interference'?

While it would be too early to predict any outcome for any side at such an early stage, it would be fair to say that unless those sides currently occupying the bottom six positions rapidly see a dramatic upturn in their fortunes over the next few weeks, it could well be a sorry season of struggle.

United currently lie fourth from bottom of the division, tonight's opponents, Luton, lie one place below them in 22nd. Both sides have shown signs of good form but both have been frustratingly inconsistent. In United's case, never more so evident than Friday's disappointing defeat by Preston.

It would be futile to try and gloss over what was, in all honesty, not a good performance by any stretch of the imagination. That said, it seems as though when you are down, the breaks just do not go for you and that fact was aptly demonstrated by Preston's first goal.

How referee Graham Frankland and his linesmen could allow the goal to stand is beyond comprehension. Two Preston players stood in offside positions, obscuring the view of Tony Caig in the United goal and, as the kick was taken, one of the two Preston players, David Moyes, peeled off to run along the flight of the ball to obscure Caig's view even further.

It later emerged that both Frankland and Preston manager Gary Peters had discussed this particular move before

No point crying over spilt milk you may say, but it raises an issue far more serious. On that level alone, United were undone by either a flagrant bending of the rules, or incompetent officiating. The stuffing, understandably, had been knocked out of them and it came as no surprise that Preston's confidence should grow as a result of it.

There is nothing more disappointing than losing a 'derby' game, a fact made all the more worse when your side did not do itself justice - all in front of a national audience. But Friday has to be put behind them, and tonight's game has to take up our thoughts. It is vital that United show their strength and character in bouncing back from that disappointment and prove their worth this evening. A tough task but by no means impossible...

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**It's a question that is
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What, exactly, are
Northampton doing right
that the rest are evidently
doing wrong?**

Ian Atkins' men have made a tremendous start to the new campaign and currently stand in second place with 24 points from 12 games - astounding form for a side that only made it into Division Two through the back door of the play-offs and, it has to be said, not looking particularly impressive in doing-so.

There is a school of thought among some Second Division observers that may go some way in explaining Northampton's success in relation to that of United, Wigan and Fulham - all far and away better sides than The Cobblers' last term, but all looking in envy at Northampton's current success. So it goes that those sides who 'play football' in this division will find it a good deal harder to succeed than those who 'muscle' their way through their fixture list.

Take Crewe as an example. Recognised as by far and away the best footballing side of their kind, it still took Dario Gradi's men a good five seasons to get out of this division - and by means of the play-offs. Conversely, the likes of Bury enjoyed tremendous success (and a Championship) by adopting a less cultured but more direct style. And look at the sides who currently occupy the top spots in the division at present. Watford, Northampton and Gillingham are all sides who are physically strong and aggressive and who are finding such an approach a success. At the foot of the table, the likes of Burnley, Luton, Carlisle and Wrexham are all sides who like to pass the ball around rather than opt for the big punt upfield but who are also struggling to gain any measure of success.

While this is not a call for United to change their style overnight, it does at least highlight a possible reason why the team is not living up to its full potential. I think most United fans would hate to see their side adopt a similar approach to our 'beautiful game' as that of Northampton, but perhaps their has to be a compromise somewhere along the line.

There is little doubt that the change of formation has placed more emphasis on attack, which has to be the way forward, but it is at the back where United are looking increasingly suspect and that must be addressed sooner rather than later.

Many people have debated as to whether this is a stronger division than two years ago and, to a certain extent, it is felt that, yes, the quality of sides has significantly improved over the last 24 months - a point signified when the likes of Luton and Burnley are both rooted to the wrong end of the table.

Luton are one side who many expected great things of this term and while they have suffered something of a nightmare start to the new season, I would be very surprised if they were not challenging for a play-off place at least by the end of the season. Injuries and suspensions have all played their part in hindering Lennie Lawrence's preparations and, with the return of a number of key players, United could well be facing The Hatters at the worst possible time.

In all honesty, I hope that United can meet tonight's challenge with style and flair rather than opting for muscle. That is the Carlisle United way, after all...

Please Remain seated during today's game .

YESTERDAY'S Heroes

ALLAN ROSS

BY DAVID STEELE

As Carlisle United's record appearance holder and the only player to remain continuously at Brunton Park in the rise from Division Four to Division One. Allan Ross holds a unique place in the club's history. Still a familiar figure at Brunton Park on matchdays, it is hard now to associate him with any other club. Yet when Allan left Scotland in March 1962, his first taste of English football came not at Brunton Park but 250 miles further south at Kenilworth Road, Luton.

Rossie was playing for Scottish junior club Petershill when he went for a trial at Luton. "Davie Hutchinson had been a Carlisle player before the war and like me his only English clubs were Carlisle and Luton. 'He used to do some scouting for Luton and somebody recommended me to him.'

Luton's manager at the time was the legendary Sam Bartram. In a career spanning over 20 years he played almost 600 league games in goal for Charlton Athletic and he was clearly impressed by the young Scot. He was in the stand when Rossie made his debut for Luton

Reserves at Peterborough.

The home side won 5-2 but the manager was unperturbed. "I had six put past me on my debut" he muttered. In fact it was none other than Luton Reserves who beat Charlton Reserves 6-0 in Bartram's debut for the South London side.

Nor was Sam Bartram the only experienced keeper at Kenilworth Road. Ron Bayham too was a one club man, eventually making 388 league appearances for Luton and also winning three England caps. "He was very commanding in the area," recalls Rossie, "and probably the best keeper I ever saw in handling crosses. Both Sam Bartram and Ron Bayham talked a lot to me about the game. It was quite a transition from the junior set-up in Scotland to being a full-timer in England and they and Luton gave me a great introduction to the professional game."

Bayham of course was the first choice keeper and Rossie shared the No.2 berth with Jim Standen who was also a county cricketer with Worcestershire.

After November 1962 when Standen joined West Ham, Rossie was the acknowledged second string. Luton Reserves playing in the Football Combination along with the Reserve teams of seventeen other league sides stretching from Nottingham down to Plymouth.

The dominant sides, not surprisingly, were Spurs and Arsenal who each won the title in Rossie's time there. However Rossie encountered numerous well-known names in those Reserve sides such as Tony Hateley (Notts Co), Terry Neill and George Armstrong (Arsenal) and John Bond, Harry Redknapp and John Lyall (West Ham).

Ron Bayham was ever-present in the Luton side in 1962/3 apart from three appearances by Jim Standen. However on December 15th 1962 Rossie all but made a dramatic league debut. "Ron Bayham's father had died and the funeral was in Birmingham on the Saturday morning. I was on stand-by and was changed and ready to play when Ron arrived back from the funeral only twenty minutes before kick-off. I remember it was a game against Bury and Bob Stokoe was there - he was the Bury manager at the time."

It was a display in Luton Reserves that led to Rossie moving north to Carlisle in a deal that eventually involved three Scots. "Luton were keen to sign back Alex McBain from Carlisle and winger Jack Lornie was offered in part exchange. Alan Ashman at

Carlisle wanted cash as well. Luton said they had no money but

said he could take one of their Reserves and Alan chose me after he saw me in a Reserve match at the end of the season." In June 1963 the deal which involved the three players went through and Allan Ross became a Carlisle United footballer.

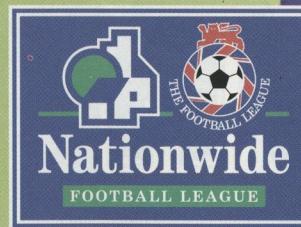
Despite being the make-weight in the deal, his move was by far the most successful. Jack Lornie made just four league appearances for Carlisle and



Alex McBain was only two seasons at Kenilworth Road. Rossie made his long-awaited league debut in September 1963 and the rest as they say is history. Luton Town had reached their only Cup Final in 1959 while they were still in Division One. A year later they were relegated and in 1963 they dropped into the Third Division. Carlisle were relegated to Division Four that same year but fortunes were soon to change. Within two years Carlisle had risen to Division Two, passing on the way a Luton side by now in the Fourth Division.

Yet Rossie enjoyed his spell in Luton. He lived in digs in Oak Road and still retains some friends from the Youth Club he attended in the town. While all the people who were at Kenilworth

Road have long since moved on he still looks for the club's result each week. Meanwhile tonight enables him to see his old club at Brunton Park for the first time since he played against them in 1976.



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- 2) In what year did he join Carlisle United's YTS?
- 3) Against whom did he make his debut?
- 4) Against whom did he score his first goal?



Olga's Foxy Five...

- 1) Which long-serving United legend began his English League career with Luton Town?
- 2) From which club did Burnley sign Chris Vinnicombe?
- 3) Who recorded the most hat-tricks in the English game last season?
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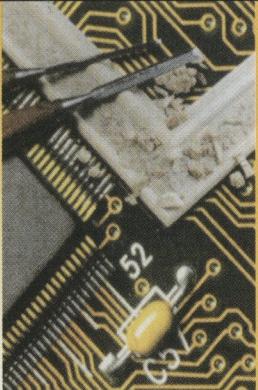


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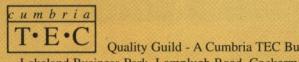


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Mick Mitchell



A recent conference was attempting to look at how to nurture our sporting heroes of the 21st century - the wannabe Shearers, the next Sally Gunnell, the would-be captain of a future Lions Tour.

"Coach 97: Into the new millennium", took place in Glasgow last weekend and was the UK's first major conference to bring a group of the world's top coaches to Britain to pass on their expertise. The event attracted a who's who of world coaching to address over 300 UK-based coaches from a range of sports through a series of seminars and practical workshops.

Speakers included Bert van Lingen, youth coach to the highly successful Dutch Football Association, Roland Hansson, top Swedish tennis coach, Jim Telfer, director of rugby at the Scottish Rugby Union and Frank Dick, President of the European Athletic Coaches Association. They covered issues ranging from skill development in young athletes up to preparing an Olympic team.*

The Scottish Sports Council and Glasgow City Council, who organised

the conference, hoped it highlighted the vitally important part played by a coach behind the scenes in developing and encouraging young athletes.

Said Graeme Simmers, chairman of the Scottish Sports Council: "When Sally Gunnell spoke about her retirement from competitive sport, she paid tribute to her coach, Bruce Longden. He has been with her since she was 14 years old and the important thing is that he aimed long term. He didn't go for immediate gains, a gold medal at 18, he looked at the long term picture."

Dr Sue Campbell, from the Youth Sport Trust, stressed at the conference that the role of a coach is far more than simply helping a young athlete to win. In fact the coach has a responsibility not to push the young athlete into too much competition.

"Talented youngsters may be in demand to compete for schools, and at district and regional level, often in more than one sport. Many young people who 'burn out' are not over-training, they are over-competing. The coach needs to help them be selective about the competitions they take part in, rather than feel they must make every team."

Coaches must also help youngsters balance their sport with the rest of their life, so that they don't sacrifice their education or miss out on important

socialising with their peers. In many other countries, specialist sporting schools cater for the requirements of talented young sports people, whereas in this country, training and competitions must be fitted around lessons and homework.

"We have to address the problem of youngsters training for several hours each day in the swimming pool, the gym or the games field on top of a normal school day," says Dr Campbell. "We've all seen the pale-faced swimmers at 6am in the local pool...We have to consider ways of releasing more time for our youngsters to train."

Such conferences can only do good for the future of sport as a whole in this country and our friends from across the border deserve a pat on the back for their efforts.

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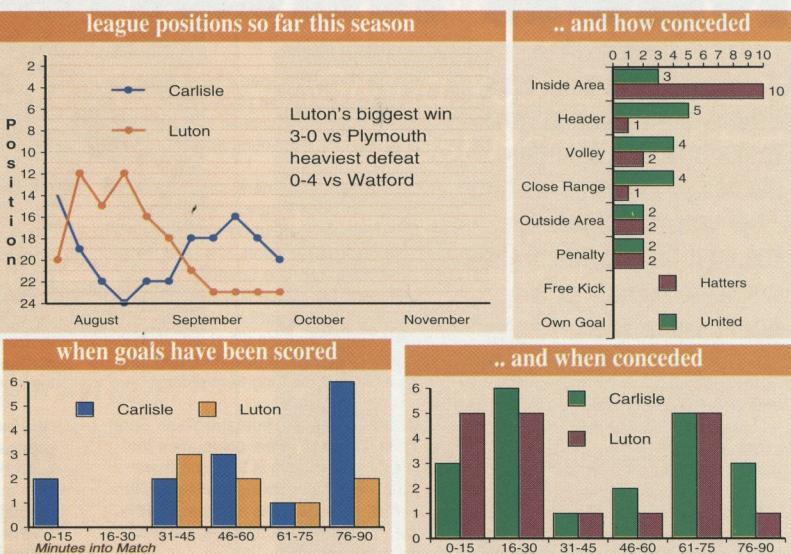
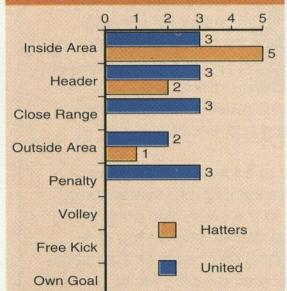
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Millwall 3-0 Brentford 9-Aug

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Wigan 3-2 Blackpool 13-Sep

Blackpool 3-0 Southend 27-Sep

Bristol City 3-0 Luton 11-Oct

Luton 3-0 Plymouth 11-Oct

Walsall 3-0 Wrexham 11-Oct

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Luton 0-4 Watford 4-Oct

Consecutive Wins

Northampton 4

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Walsall 4,435
Wrexham 4,429

lowest attendances

Blackpool, Brentford, Carlisle, Oldham, Plymouth, Wrexham 2

Games without a Win

Wycombe 6

Watford 10,125
Burnley 9,057
Preston 8,531
Bristol City 8,330
Fulham 6,674
Millwall 6,583
Bristol Rovers 6,044
Gillingham 5,083
Carlisle 5,063
Oldham 4,986
Luton 4,931
Blackpool 4,542
Wycombe 4,528
Chesterfield 4,482
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Grimsby 4,267
Wigan 3,761
Bournemouth 3,712
Brentford 3,695
Southend 3,273
Wrexham 3,251
Walsall 2,972
York 2,831

current sequences

Consecutive Wins

Grimbsy 3

Games Unbeaten

Watford 7

Consecutive Defeats

Blackpool, Brentford, Carlisle, Oldham, Plymouth, Wrexham 2

Games without a Win

Wycombe 6

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A star is born, number one. One member of the London Branch was not at the opening match of the season as he was attending the birth of his daughter at a venue in Hertfordshire. Jade Kilner was born on the 9th September, the daughter of Mike and Phoebe Kilner. Mike, also known as "Statto" in the London Branch (more a tribute to appearance than grasp of statistics) has been an active member for many years and has been an invaluable aid to his brother Steve, the recently retired newsletter Editor. Grandma, hard to believe, perhaps, but untrue, Pat Kilner is another London Branch member who used to live in Brampton until she fell for a Rocket Man from Spadeadam. (Perhaps she is that old after all.)

That's all the personal stuff but no explanation yet of why Jade has immediately become a "star". It is not the fact that due to bad parental planning she arrived on the first day of the season. Mike made up for this error by promptly enrolling his daughter as a Junior Blue and she became the 200th member for this season. It is now some time since the beginning of August and membership has continued to grow as the renewals continue to arrive as well as the

constant addition of new members. To have 200 members at the start of the season is a tremendous achievement given that it is only 4 years since the London Branch were trying to reach the 200 before the end of the season.

There ought to be a small increase in renewals in the next few days when those who have lost the form, the cheque, the envelope etc find they have an empty enveloped instead of their regular "Hit the Bar" and a note saying their membership has lapsed. With some people you have to be cruel to be kind.

A star is born, number two. October 7th saw the start of the APFSCIL Darts competition and the London Branch started the campaign with a resounding 7-2 victory over Birmingham City. Regular readers will be used to the catalogue of gloom and defeat that was a report on yet another London Branch darts match. This is the new ear, out goes the old eight man defensive formations. In comes



the new aggressive, bold five man team. Out goes Andy "Pineapple" Harrison, slick, smooth talking ("It's not my fault") ex-Captain. In comes Paul "Motty" Burnett, all dancing, all singing, ("We're going to win") the new Captain who actually pleaded to be given the job.

Despite the difficulties of the night; the new format of the 5-a-side League; the 8.6 metre oche in the pub and the ever-changing Birmingham Team that managed to squeeze 9 people into their 5-a-side team; the London Branch rose to the occasion and exacted revenge for that Golden Goal. The London Branch even won the Beer Leg, usually blown whenever the team had won a match in the past. Such was Paul Burnett's golden touch, he even walked off with the "Spot the Ball" prize. Luck, of course not, just sheer genius.



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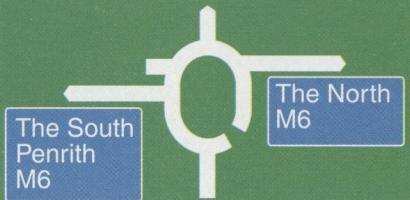
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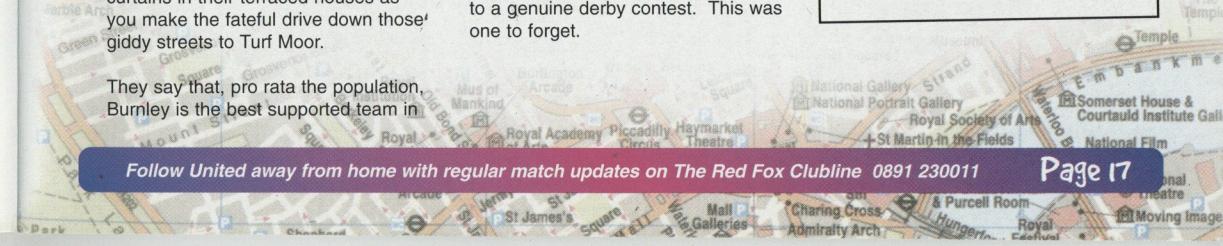
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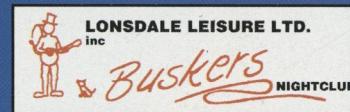
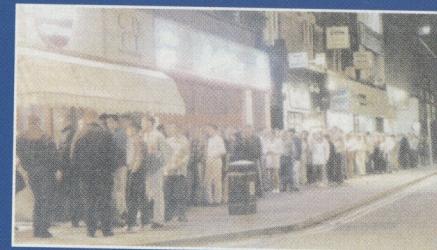
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The school will be open to boys and girls of all abilities.

Thanks to all the ground staff for their help during our recent Five Day Soccer Camp in conjunction with the Sands Centre in Carlisle. As always, thanks to all the coaching staff for their efforts during these schools - without their dedication our schools would be much the poorer.

During the last month, the Community Project has been

coaching in Cockermouth and at the Sands Centre, Carlisle. I would like to take this opportunity to thank Mr Wyld, Head Teacher of Cockermouth Secondary for allowing us the use of the school playing fields and gymnasiums. Thankyou as well to all the ground staff for allowing us the run of the Sheppmount during our Soccer School week.

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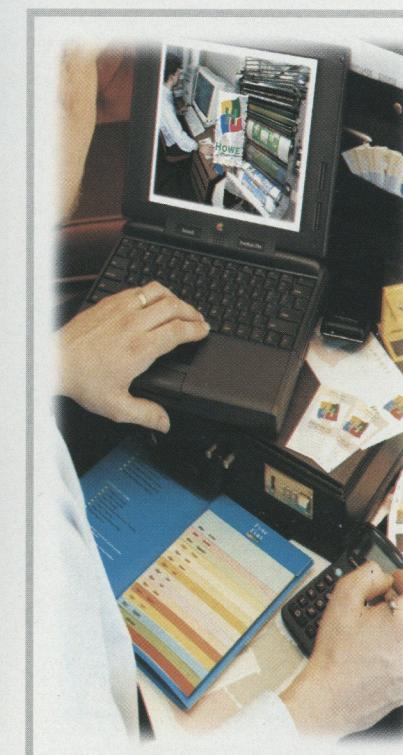
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Paul Showler - Midfield/Forward

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

Suffered with injuries at the start of the 97/98 campaign.

Signed: August 1996 - £50,000 from Bradford City

Luton Appearances:
 21 (2) league + 8 (2) cup
Luton goals: 6 league

Kelvin Davis - Goalkeeper

Born: Bedford 29.9.76

Kelvin is a highly-rated keeper who made his league debut for the Hatters on the final day of the 1993/94 season in a 2-2 draw at Stoke. He spent a month on loan at Torquay in September/October 1994, before winning a place in the Luton starting line-up in March.

With Juergen Sommer on international duty, Kelvin made his home debut in the televised 'derby' with Watford, saving a penalty in the 1-1 draw. He kept his place until the end of the season, and also won two England youth caps. Kelvin was selected for the England Under-21 squad for the Toulon Tournament in June 1995. Signed new four-year contract in June 1995, and was again in England Under-21 squads throughout the 95/96 season. Went on loan to Hartlepool in August 1997, but was recalled following the injury to Ian Feuer.

Signed: July 1993

Luton Appearances: 16 league + 5 cup
Luton goals: 0

Julian James - Defender

Born: Tring 22.3.70

Julian joined Luton as a trainee, and was introduced to First Division football in 1988, but was sent off on his full debut in a Littlewoods Cup win at Leeds in November of that year.

A former England Under-21 international, he was a regular at left-back in the 1993/94 season, but made the right-back position his own in 1994/95 with a string of consistent displays which earned him the Player of the Year award from the Loyal Luton Supporters Club. Was in and out of the side at the start of the 95/96 campaign, before an extended run at right-back after Christmas. Granted a benefit match in 1996. Regular at right-back during 96/97.

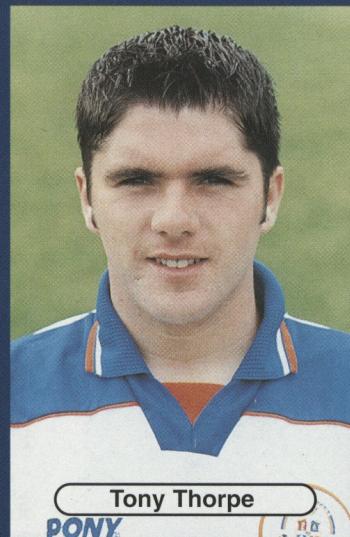
Signed: July 1986

Luton appearances:
 239 (19) league + 48 (3) cup
Luton goals: 13 league + 1 cup

Marvin Johnson - Defender

Born: Wembley 29.10.68

Marvin made his Football League debut against Wimbledon in 1988, and quickly established himself as a versatile defender. Started the 1994/95 season at left-back, but then switched to the centre of defence to form a reliable partnership with Trevor Peake.



Tony Thorpe
PONY

Marvin was one of only three players to play in every first-team match in 94/95 season, and was awarded the Players' Player of the Year trophy. He was again a consistent performer in 95/96 at centre-back, alongside Steve David for the most part, and Darren Patterson. Similarly in 96/97.

Signed: July 1985

Luton appearances:
 232 (13) league + 40 (4) cup
Luton goals: 4 league + 2 cup

Mitchell Thomas - Defender

Born: Luton 2.10.64

The former England Under-21 international made over 100 appearances for Luton before moving to Spurs, shortly after David Pleat, in 1986. He played in the 1987 FA Cup Final, and later moved to West Ham. He was on loan at Luton in the 1993/94 season before a permanent free transfer move, and after missing the start of the season through suspension was a regular at left-back in the 1994/95 campaign.

Recalled by new manager Lennie Lawrence in December 1995, and responded with an ever-present record until the end of the season. Was regular left-back during the 96/97 campaign, but underwent a hernia operation just after the start of the 97/98 campaign.

Signed: March 1994

Luton appearances:
 223 (8) league + 40 (2) cup
Luton goals: 5 league

Dwight Marshall - Forward

Born: Jamaica 3.10.65

Dwight signed in the summer of 1994 from Plymouth for £150,000 after scoring 14 goals for Peter Shilton's side the previous season - his third campaign at Home Park after playing non-league football with Grays Athletic. Started well for Luton, with two goals in the 5-1 win over Middlesbrough in October, and despite being troubled by a shin injury late in the season he finished at the Hatters' leading scorer with 13 goals in league and cup. Scored 13 goals in 95/96, but suffered a broken leg in February 1996, ruling him out for the rest of the season. Returned in November 1996.

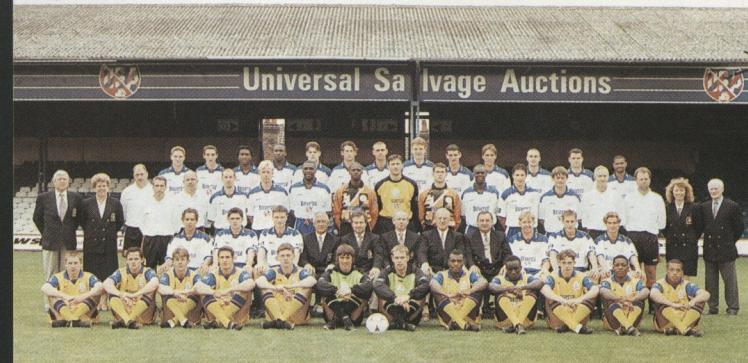


Lennie Lawrence

Lennie Lawrence was appointed manager of Luton Town in December 1995, following the departure of Terry Westley. A player with non-league Croydon, Carshalton Athletic and Sutton United, Mr Lawrence was an assistant manager at Plymouth, where he was also caretaker manager, and at Lincoln, before becoming manager of Charlton Athletic in 1982, having initially joined the Addicks as reserve team coach. Charlton finished as runners-up in Division Two in 1985/86 earning promotion to the top flight after an absence of 29 years. In the following season they were involved in the first promotion-relegation play-offs, overcoming second division Leeds United in extra-time in a dramatic play-off final replay, but were relegated in 1990.

Mr Lawrence left Charlton in 1991, after nine years with the club which at the time made him the third longest-serving manager in the country behind Nottingham Forest's Brian Clough and Oldham's Joe Royle. He headed north to Middlesbrough, where he took the Teeside club into the FA Premier League in 1992 in his first season with them. They returned to Division One in 1993, and Mr Lawrence left in 1994, when Bryan Robson took over at Ayresome Park.

He then joined Bradford in May 1994, leaving Valley Parade in November 1995. He is the 21st manager in the history of Luton Town. Unable to keep Luton in Division One in his first season in charge, he guided them to the Division Two play-offs in 96/97. After Christmas 1996 the Hatters were rarely out of the top three, but lost out to eventually promoted Crewe in the two-legged play-off semi-finals.



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Signed: July 1994 (from Plymouth Argyle for £150,000)

Luton appearances:
 68 (27) league + 16 (4) cup
Luton goals: 24 league and 9 cup

Phil Gray - Forward

Born: Belfast 2.10.68

First signed for Luton in August 1991, but missed most of the season due to injury as the Hatters were relegated from the top flight. Scored 20 goals in the new Division One the following season, and was subsequently transferred to Sunderland for £800,000 in July 1993.

Had three seasons at Roker Park, before moving to France to play for Nancy, a free transfer under the Bosman ruling - and from there he moved to Dutch side Fortuna Sittard. Returned to Luton in September 1997 for £400,000.

A regular in the Northern Ireland squad.

Signed: September 1997 (£400,000 from Fortuna Sittard - Holland)

Luton appearances: 59 league + 8 cup
Luton goals: 26

Tony Thorpe - Forward

Born: Leicester 10.4.74

Tony made an immediate impact in the Town side when he scored for the Hatters on his full debut at Newcastle United, in the fourth round of the FA Cup in January 1994.



Phil Gray

He joined the club at the start of the 1992/93 season, following a spell at Leicester. He was restricted to just five substitute appearances during the 1994/95 campaign. Scored Luton's winning goal at Southend in August 1995 - the Hatters' first win of the season, and their first under Terry Westley. Signed a new contract in the summer of 1996, and went on to enjoy a record-breaking season, becoming the first Luton player since Malcolm MacDonald in 1970/71 to reach 30 goals.

Signed: August 1992

Luton appearances:
 66 (26) league + 11 (7) cup
Luton goals: 36 league + 5 cup

Steve Davis - Defender

Born: Hexham 30.10.64

Steve joined the Hatters in the summer of 1995 after making over 160 league appearances for Burnley, scoring 22 goals. He joined the Turf Moor side in August 1991 for £60,000 from Southampton, after loan stints at Burnley and Notts County.

He captained Burnley during their rise up the league into Division One, and played in both their victories over Luton in the 1994/95 season. Was a command figure for the Hatters in 95/96, but again suffered the agony of relegation as Luton, like Burnley the previous season, dropped out of Division One. Regular in the centre of defence last season.

Signed: July 1995 (£75,000 from Burnley)

Luton appearances: 79 (1) league + 20 cup
Luton goals: 10 league + 1 cup

Andrew Fotiadis - Forward

Born: Hitchin 6.9.77

Andrew joined the Hatters on a full-time basis in the summer of 1996, aged 18, after staying on at school to complete his A levels. He had been a regular member of the youth and reserve sides in the preceding two seasons, and won England Schoolboy caps at Under 15 and Under 18 levels.

Made a good impression in early league games, signing an extension to his contract in October 1996, and celebrated with his first goal for Luton in the 3-1 win over Walsall. Suffered with injury in his first season, and also at the start of the 97/98 campaign.

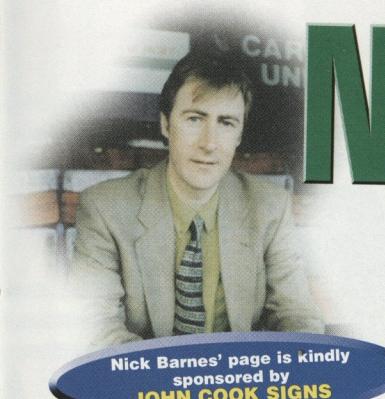
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Luton goals: 3 league

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**Friday night's Sky
coverage came and went
on an evening which for
some clubs used to be
their traditional home
night.**

Notably Stockport County and Torquay United, but for very different reasons. Those days have gone now because the Football League wanted to standardise match day, which seems a touch ironic considering TV now demands football on just about every night of the week, even Thursday's if you consider the European Cup Winners Cup.

Stockport County quite logically in some ways always played on a Friday night to catch those supporters who may at the weekend have preferred the pleasures of Maine Road or Old

Trafford. It seems a tad odd in other ways, because I'd have thought you would go to one or the other over the weekend rather than both. Torquay played on a Friday night, and at one time even on a Saturday night, because it was felt that Torquay being a holiday town many who may want to watch football would be either on the beach or heading home or into Torquay on Saturday afternoon. They persevered for many years on this basis despite crowds remaining in the region of 2,000.

Now of course Friday night football is a regular event, and I've my doubts as to whether it's actually encouraging a large audience on Sky, or at the game themselves. With no disrespect to the smaller clubs who are picked for the Friday fest, I can't really see it's going to pull them into the pubs, or keep them at home to watch the games. Even Carlisle v Preston I suspect has very limited appeal to supporters in the south.

Likewise Exeter v Plymouth in last season's F A Cup has very limited appeal here. I watched the particular match in a pub near Carlisle.... most in the area weren't even showing the game, and I and the friend I was watching with were surrounded by some 20 pub goers who had absolutely no interest in the match at

all. The current Minister for Sport, Tony Banks, has said in recent weeks that there is too much football on T.V. To an extent that's probably true, but when taken in context it is probably an untruth too, because so few have access to Satellite television where predominantly the football is shown.

Those comments were made in the week that saw Liverpool and Celtic on the Tuesday night; Manchester United and Juventus on Wednesday and Chelsea on Thursday. For most of us in the north the Chelsea match was unwatchable because Channel 5 is unwatchable. But I would bet my bottom dollar it was unwatchable for Tony Banks talking as he was at the time, in the south.

So those in that region have a slanted view of the amount of football available on television because on the whole Channel 5 is more readily available, and there is more access to satellite television because there are more pubs.

When pay-per-view comes on stream, which it inevitably will, then yes, in one sense there will be more football on TV, but conversely it's not going to dominate mainstream terrestrial TV and it's up to you whether you pay or watch.

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Richard Suffers Injury Woe

Hard-tackling midfielder Richard Prokas has suffered an injury setback - but couldn't have timed his misfortune any better! The Penrith-born player, who has enjoyed one of the best spells of his career over the first part of the season, picked up a bad sprain to his ankle ligaments during training on Monday and is now facing a possible lay-off of between two and three weeks. However, Richard was due to begin a three-match suspension beginning with tonight's game after collecting five bookings over the opening weeks of the season. The ban would have also ruled him out of the trip to York City this Saturday and the visit of Wrexham to Brunton Park the following week. As it is, Richard would not have figured in those games given his injury. "It was a bit of a freak accident, really" Richard says. "I just turned on it and it went. It was pretty painful and it is frustrating to be out of action but I suppose it couldn't have come at a better time because I wouldn't have been playing anyway with my suspension coming up. It's hard to say just how long it will take but Dolly (physio Neil Dalton) has told me to expect no less than two to three weeks."



Shame To Eat It!

Pictured right is United fan Dave Crooks who celebrated his fiftieth birthday recently by being presented with this fantastic cake in the shape of a United shirt! Can anyone better that?

And, on the subject of birthdays, Many Happy Returns to Ian Stevens who celebrates his 31st birthday today - let's hope that a speedy return to action beckons - the best present both he and United could wish for!

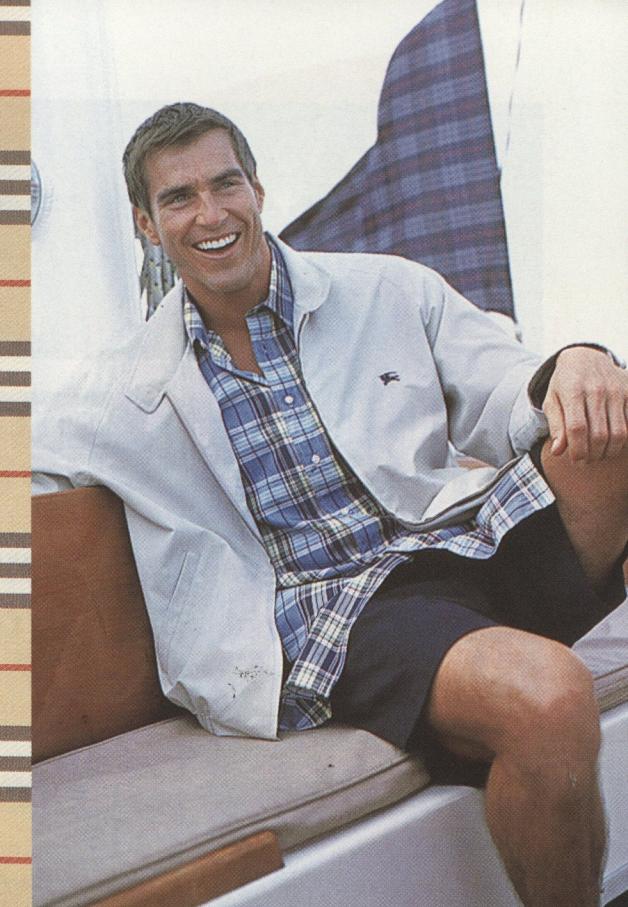
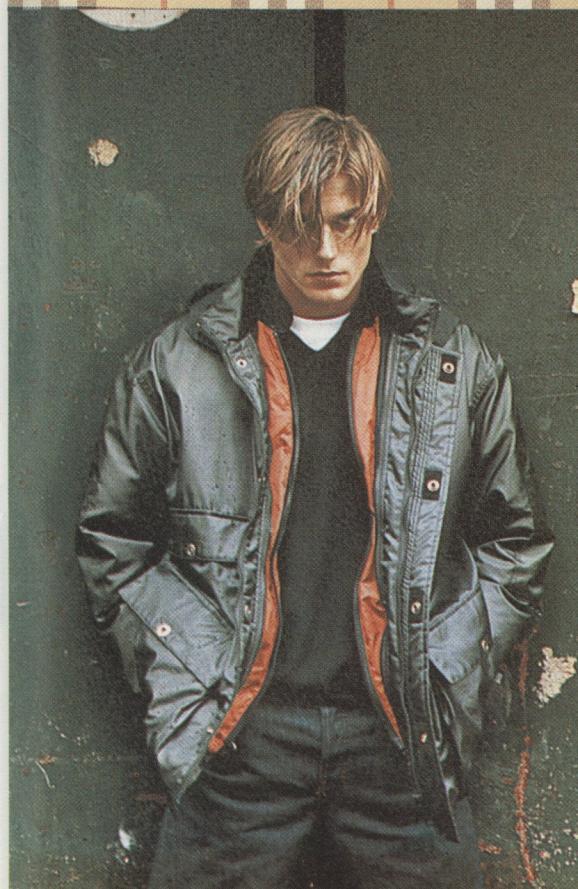


Bonjour Laurent!

Carlisle United continued their fruitful search for talent over the English Channel with the signing of 31 year old midfielder Laurent Croci from Bordeaux last week. A tigerish ball player, Laurent has made well over 400 appearances in the top flight of French football and turned out for Bordeaux just over a fortnight ago for his last appearance for the club. He was ever present last season and comes to Brunton Park with glowing references and, no doubt, envious eyes cast towards this particular part of England. No transfer fee is involved due to the Bosman Ruling.

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INJURY UPDATE



Richard Prokas

Richard sustained ankle ligament damage during training early last week and is facing a possible lay-off of anywhere between two to three weeks. We will continue to monitor his progress, being careful not to push him too early.



Jeff Thorpe

Jeff is finally back in light training after an injection to his foot tendon. The signs are positive and it is hoped that Jeff should be back in full training by the time you read this.



Rory Delap

Rory is progressing well after damaging his Achilles tendon on Under 21 duty for the Republic of Ireland and we are hoping that he will be able to return to light jogging next week.



Tony Hopper

Tony is back in light training after suffering ligament sprains to both ankles and should be back into full training once again this week.



Allan Smart

Has now fully recovered from the stress fracture of his foot, but, on return to training, Allan hurt his knee and has received treatment in the form of injections. He was due to see a specialist late last week.



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Those of the early 70's may be fairly readily available from dealers catalogues, particularly from local traders who are more likely to carry larger stocks of local clubs, at prices around 50p or cover price. Late 1940's League programmes could cost between £5 and £10 buy. 1950's programmes range from up to £5 from 1950/51, down to £1.50 for £1959/60. Sixties programmes are between £1.50 and 75p.

Programmes from around 1955 and before can fall into one or two categories - more expensive to buy at around £2, or much sought after and the subject of offers only. It is harder to evaluate the price of programmes which find themselves onto dealers' 'Offers lists', particularly those involving popular clubs whose programmes are generally in demand. However, the minimum offer quoted by the dealer is often a reasonable guide to the level at which bidding should start.

Per-War and War Time, plus those for the

reconstruction seasons immediately after the Second World War, are invariably subject to offers and some of them can be very expensive indeed.

CUP FINALS & SEMI FINALS

There is no better medium for recording the big, set-piece events in the footballing calendar, than matchday programmes. Hundreds of thousands of FA Cup Final issues are produced every year with football followers and TV viewers anxious to obtain a highly specific souvenir of the highlight of the football season. Similarly with important League games, such as the Liverpool v Arsenal and Spurs v Arsenal 'deciders', to name but two, and for international matches home and abroad. As with all other programmes, the best source of big match issues older than 25 years is via dealers' catalogues, and to a lesser extent from dealers at programme fairs. Prices vary widely.

FA Cup Finals are the most popular collectable, and many seek to obtain one from every post-war final. Not difficult in terms of straightforward availability

although some prices reflect relatively

hard to find issues. The 1970 Chelsea v Leeds United replay at Old Trafford is a traditionally rare issue (£15) although just about every other FA Cup Final issue from the last 20 years will be priced below £2. Cup semi finals form a varied and interesting big match collection, and are of particular interest with regard to those quickly forgotten teams - the beaten semi-finalists. Birmingham v West Brom (1968), Leicester v Sheffield Wednesday (1961), Burnley v Fulham (1962) and Preston v Swansea (1964) are, with respect to the clubs involved, unlikely semi final pairings in today's game, but the programmes from these fixtures can be picked up for a few pounds each and faithfully record the Cup aspirations of the clubs. In Scotland, just about every present day First and Second Division club has reached the semi finals of one or two national cup competitions within the last 30 years and programmes are readily available to testify to such flirts with glory.

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In Mick Wadsworth's time as Director of Coaching at Brunton Park, there was frequently a mystery "fourth man" on the bench at games.

Wadsworth was merely doing what sports teams in the United States have long regarded as an essential component of strategic planning - bringing in the services of a sports psychologist.

Bill Beswick's name did not figure in the programme credits, but Wadsworth was one of the forerunners in availing himself of his motivational, positive visualisation skills. Now many of you may think that all these mind games are a load of tommy rot. In fact, having read an article by the respected commentator Bryon Butler recently, I'm not at all that certain how much tongue in cheek there was in his overview of the latest trends in sports psychology.

A certain Dr George Sik opened up a can of worms when, speaking at the meeting of the British Association for the Advancement of Science, he suggested Terry Venables chose a man with entirely the wrong vibes in Gareth Southgate to take that cardinal penalty in the semi-finals of Euro 96.

Dr Sik claimed that Southgate was a pessimist and therefore temperamentally unsuited to taking spot kicks - any trained psychologist would have spotted this and certainly the England manager should have been on the ball. Dr Sik believes

that English football clubs should follow their continental counterparts and take on someone who "knows their Freuds from their Finneys."

Personally I would far prefer to have the Preston wizard lining up a penalty kick for my team than some half baked brainwasher in pebbled glasses and a white coat, but that's beside the point. There was considerably debate over Carlisle United chairman Michael Knighton's recent quotes on the subject of football club management.

For Bryon Butler, writing his Daily Telegraph "Talking Football" column, the point that came to mind was whether football management has become too complex a job to be left to football managers. If you follow the Sik road, you could dream up a dressing room full of experts in different aspects of statistical analysis, man

management and maybe even the finer points of chess tactics.

A less than articulate boss could, for instance, hire a famous Shakespearean actor to deliver his pre-match team talk and inject into it shades of Henry V calls to heroism.

Years ago there used to be a flamboyant actor in these parts called Elliott Williams who performed under the stage name of "The Last of the Barnstormers." His "Murder in the Red Barn" was legendary. Just think what a few lines of that would do for the boys in blue just before they trot out on the pitch - on second thoughts probably better to send him into the visitors' changing room to scare their players instead. As Bryon Butler



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mischievously hinted, maybe the way towards European success for our top club sides lies in the hands of chess grand masters and those who, faced with freekick situations near the edge of the penalty box, can succinctly explain Newton's third law of motion. Brazil's Roberto Carlos is evidently already well versed. The way the game is heading, players may soon have to spend vital hours before games polishing up their theorems, working out their fractions and getting the balance of their minds into focus. What's the betting someone will still go out and pull a hamstring in the opening five minutes.

One famous football figure once said that a manager needed to be a master plotter, martinet, politician, philosopher, psychologist, confidence trickster, businessman, prophet, showman, father confessor and gambler. A bit of luck and a prayer mat would also help.

At the very highest level in this country the game is changing radically as clubs like Chelsea and Arsenal bring in foreign coaches with analytical minds and an attention to things like diet, discipline and planning which they have learnt from their former clubs' methods.

In their world, maybe little differences are important. But somehow I can't see a big future for the sports psychologist amongst the lads still shaking off the previous night's excesses at the Sheepmount on an average Sunday morning in November.

By the way, in case you are wondering, Dr Sik had "signed" for Aston Villa. It will be interesting to see whether they put his Freudian stuff into practice this season. Mind you I don't suppose Tim Finney ever consulted a psychologist before going out to weave his magic. He had something you can't learn from a book or any amount of verbal inspiration - talent I think they call it.

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UNITED A to Z

Football Historian Leigh Edwards continues his A-Z of United with 'D' and 'E' for Dougal and Edmondson...

GEORGE DICK

Bustling Scottish inside-forward George Dick was Carlisle United's leading marksman in 1949/50. Signing professional for First Division high-fliers Blackpool in August 1946, he featured alongside England stars Stan Matthews and Stan Mortensen in the 1948 FA Cup Final and joined West Ham in October 1948. Bill Shankly signed him in July 1949 and he netted 23 goals in 52 Third Division (North) games for Carlisle prior to joining Stockport County in October 1950. He moved to Football League new-boys Workington a year later and played at Liverpool in the 1951/52 FA Cup third round tie watched by 52,581, then finished joint top scorer at Borough Park in 1952/53. Subsequently a successful coach on the Continent, he was tragically killed in a car accident near Carlisle in September 1960.



BOBBY DORAN

Long-serving centre-half Bobby Doran was an experienced figure as Carlisle United won promotion for the first time in 1961/62. Born locally, Fred Emery signed him as a part-time professional in October 1952 and he made his League debut in Carlisle's 4-2 win at Bradford PA in March 1954. He provided reliable defensive cover for the likes of paddy Waters, George Lackenby, Hugh Fletcher and Jack Marsden, securing a regular first-team slot after Andy Beattie's arrival as manager and playing in United's first-ever League Cup tie at Stockport County in October 1960. Making 107 League appearances during ten seasons at Brunton Park, he has since continued his trade as a bricklayer and still resides in Carlisle.

JIMMY DOUGAL

Former Scottish international inside-forward Jimmy Dougal partnered Ivor Broadis in Carlisle United's early post-war attack. From a notable footballing family, he impressed with Kilsyth Rangers and Falkirk prior to joining Preston NE in January 1934. He helped to clinch promotion that season, playing alongside Bill Shankly and Andy Beattie in the 1937 FA Cup final and finishing top scorer in 1938/39. Broadis signed him in October 1946 and he netted 15 goals in 70 Third Division (North) games for Carlisle before moving to Halifax Town in October 1948. Subsequently with Chorley, he ran the Moor Park Hotel in Preston until February 1964 and brewed his own Dougal's Best Bitter, then was a driver for Barton Hall Garage. Since his wife died five years ago, he had lived with his daughter Sally in West Molesey, Surrey.

JIMMY DRURY

Versatile Scottish outside-left Drury created numerous goalscoring opportunities for the likes of Alan Ashman and Jimmy Whitehouse while at Carlisle United. A former coalminer, he began with Kilmarnock and joined Stirling Albion in December 1948. He helped them to win promotion in 1948/49 and moved to Rochdale in May 1951, following Alan Steen and Jimmy Whitehouse to Brunton Park on a free transfer in August 1952. Netting five goals in 35 Third Division (North) games for Carlisle, he joined Southport in July 1954 and returned to Scotland with Newton Stewart a year later. He worked at the Barony power station, then had a grocers shop in his native Cumnock where he now lives in retirement.

EDGAR DUFFETT

Inside-forward Edgar Duffett also played alongside the likes of Alan Ashman and Jimmy Whitehouse in Carlisle United's attack. A former West Brom amateur, he represented the British Army during national service as a PTI and joined Norwich City in November 1947. He failed to secure a first-team slot at Carrow Road and Bill

LEIGH EDWARDS

Shankly signed him in August 1950. Given his League debut at home to Gateshead that month, he scored eight goals in 47 Third Division (North) outings prior to joining Hereford United in July 1953. Moving to Southern League rivals Bedford Town a year later, he was then player-manager of Biggleswade Town and St. Neots Town. Now living in Peterborough, he spent 31 years with the London Brick Company and rose from accounting clerk to office manager before early retirement in December 1985.

DARREN EDMONDSON

Versatile right-back Darren Edmondson made a significant contribution as Carlisle United won the Third Division title in 1994/95, also playing at Wembley in the Auto Windscreen Shield final that season. A former trainee, he signed professional under Clive Middlemass in July 1990 and made his League debut at home to Burnley two months later. His whole-hearted attitude made him a crown favourite at Brunton park and he netted the goal that took Sunderland to an FA Cup third round replay in 1993/94. Also featuring in Carlisle's 1996/97 promotion campaign, he scored nine times in 214 League outings before his surprise £200,000 move to Huddersfield Town in March 1997 and remains an influential member of their First Division squad.

ROB EDWARDS

Welsh U-21 international left-back Rob Edwards was Carlisle United's youngest-ever League debutant at 16 years 249 days when he played at Colchester United in March 1990. Given his first-team chance by Clive Middlemass after Ian Dalziel broke a leg and Steve McCall's loan spell ended, he became Carlisle's regular penalty-taker with five goals in 48 Fourth Division games before sold to Bristol City for £135,000 in March 1991. He helped them to beat top-flight sides Wimbledon and Liverpool in their 1991/92 and 1993/94 FA Cup runs respectively, then qualify for the Second Division play-offs in 1996/97. Recently selected for the full Wales squad, he is now the longest-serving player at Ashton Gate.

SCOTT ENDERSBY

Former England Youth goalkeeper Scott Endersby helped Carlisle United to beat First Division QPR in the 1985/86 FA Cup third round. He made history as the youngest player to appear in the FA Cup at 15 years 288 days for Kettering Town in November 1977, then had a spell with Bobby Robson's Ipswich Town before joining Tranmere Rovers on a free transfer in July 1981. Moving to Swindon Town in August 1983, he was ever-present in 1984/95 and Bob Stokoe signed him initially on loan in November 1985. Unable to prevent Carlisle's slide from the Second Division to Fourth in successive seasons, he made 52 League appearances prior to joining York City in July

1987, then was loaned to Cardiff City and Rochdale. He subsequently entered the licensed trade and now runs the Highfield Hotel in Middlesbrough.

JOHNNY EVANS

Skilful inside-right Johnny Evans featured prominently in Carlisle United's rise from the Fourth Division to Second in successive seasons. He signed professional for home town Liverpool in May 1958 but failed to secure a first-team place at Anfield and joined Bournemouth in May 1959. Following injury, he resurrected his playing career with Prescot Cables and Salisbury before moving to Stockport County in October 1962. Alan Ashman signed him in February 1964 and he scored on his debut at home to Bradford PA, netting 37 goals in 78 League games prior to joining Exeter City in March 1966. He joined Barnsley eight months later and was top scorer three times including their 1967/68 promotion campaign, then became a Barnsley-based sales rep for Collins publishers.



Match Facts



Referee

Date	Opponents	F-A	Pos	Att	Visitors
Aug 9	Southend United	1-1	11	4,507	675
Aug 12	Chester City CCC 1/1	2-1		2,367	603
Aug 16	Watford	0-2	19	7,395	623
Aug 23	Bristol Rovers	1-3	22	6,044	363
Aug 26	Chester CCC 1/2	3-0	4,208	129	1
Aug 30	Northampton Town	0-2	24	6,307	382
Sep 2	Wigan Athletic	1-0	18	5,354	378
Sep 6	Blackpool	1-2	22	7,259	2,014
Sep 13	Wycombe Wanderers	4-1	18	6,018	368
Sep 17	Tottenham CCC 2/1	2-3		19,255	790
Sep 20	Plymouth Argyle	2-2	18	5,667	296
Sep 27	Gillingham	2-1	16	5,063	234
Sep 30	Tottenham CCC 2/2	0-2		13,571	993
Oct 4	Walsall	1-3	18		1
Oct 11	Burnley	1-3	20	10,687	1
Oct 17	Preston North End	0-2	21	6,541	1
Oct 21	Luton Town				
Oct 25	York City				
Nov 1	Wrexham				
Nov 4	Brentford				
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Apr 18 Grimsby Town

Apr 19 AWS Final

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KEY: ⑩ indicates played and number ⑪ sub and number replaced * player substituted 1 - goals scored

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MASCOT

This Evening we welcome our mascot

Robert Davies of Canobie, Scotland. Robert is ten years old and attends Glenzier School. A big United fan, Robert names Stephane Pounewatchay as his favourite Blue, while Karl Heinz Reidle of Liverpool comes a close second. When not watching United, Robert plays for Annan Athletic Juniors. His favourite food is steak and his favourite programme is Rob C Nesbitt! Have a great evening



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TODAY'S teamsheet

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Owen ARCHDEACON		Bryan SMALL
Laurent CROCI		Gary WADDOCK
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Will VARTY		Alan WHITE
Billy BARR		Simon DAVIES
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