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From the manager's chair

SATURDAY'S performance against Wycombe saw us consolidate our recent improvement with a thoroughly deserved 2-2 draw at Adams Park.

I was pleased with the spirit and attitude of the players in that, for the first time for a long time, we came from behind to get a result.

Immediately afterwards I thought it was a fair reflection of goalmouth incidents, but then viewed the TV replays which showed that Tony Thorpe's disallowed goal midway through the first-half was clearly onside, and that could have altered the outcome of the game.

Nevertheless, although we enjoyed large periods of domination and territorial advantage, Wycombe had three or four chances in the game and scored from two of them.

Our defending left something to be desired in both cases, but their finishing was excellent.

Wycombe possess quite a good home record and our excellent away support on Saturday made for a good atmosphere, and to be fair both sides gave a good account of themselves.

Importantly for us another game went by without defeat.

That obstacle having been negotiated we now find ourselves in the unusual position of four consecutive home games, albeit one in the FA Cup against Torquay, having lost the trip to Grimsby later this month due to their Coca-Cola Cup commitments.

After our recent improvements this is a golden opportunity for us and if we do the thing right our league position could be transformed by Saturday night.



with **LENNIE LAWRENCE**

However, football is never as predictable and as clear cut as one would hope, and in welcoming Burnley, their players, supporters and officials, I am mindful of the fact they are in a totally false league position.

A change of manager in the summer, a change of style, and some change in playing staff has meant that Burnley have found it difficult to string results together having drawn six of their eight home games - although they have won the other two.

Traditionally Burnley are not good travellers but they beat us here 2-1 on the opening day of last season, and some of the players from both those sides will be in opposition again tonight.

Chris Waddle's first few months in management have not been without problems, but I am sure with the experienced assistance of Glenn Roeder, like us they will climb the league and we need to ensure that

process is temporarily halted.

We now find ourselves in the happy situation of being able to actually pick a team as opposed to having it picked for you by the number of players available, and shortly Mitchell Thomas, Stuart Douglas and Ian Feuer will join the ranks of genuine first team contenders, following this week's reserve team game against Wimbledon on Wednesday.

Marvin Johnson returned at Wycombe on Saturday, and is essential to our defensive organisation with Steve Davis starting a three-match suspension on Saturday.

Marvin's return gave me the opportunity to give Alan White a break, but needless to say he will return on Saturday at the latest.

Andrew Fotiadis has also worked his way back into the squad, and was on the bench on Saturday.

One good thing that has come out of our horrendous injury crisis of three to four weeks ago is that certain young players have acquitted themselves very well, and have thereby forced themselves into the first-team squad.

One of the reasons we failed last year was that as we lost key members of the team, we had insufficient squad players who were able to come in and do the job and help us over the finish line.

I am utterly determined that if and when we are challenging for promotion at the end of this season we will not be let down by lack of back-up.

Consequently it's my avowed intention to keep everyone in the team on his toes and make sure we have cover in every position, and if necessary



alternatives for people who lose form for one reason or another.

In two weeks time all being well we will have a full complement, with only Paul Showler a long term injury at the present time, and then it maybe, for example in the forward positions, we have too

many players.

Obviously then we will take the necessary steps to balance the squad as best we can.

Thank you once again for the excellent support at Wycombe on Saturday, and let's hope for a winning start to this important home sequence.

ABOVE: Anxious moments on the Luton bench during the match against Brentford, as Julian James receives treatment.

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Thorpe earns point for Hatters

TONY Thorpe's eighth goal of the season gave Luton a point in Saturday's 2-2 draw at Wycombe, writes Simon Oxley.

The Hatters twice came from behind to extend their unbeaten run to five matches, with Thorpe heading home a Julian James centre with 16 minutes to go.

Wycombe had opened the scoring after 12 minutes when Mark Stallard converted Steve McGavin's cross, and the home side wasted a great chance to go 2-0 up seven minutes later when David Carroll missed from four yards out.

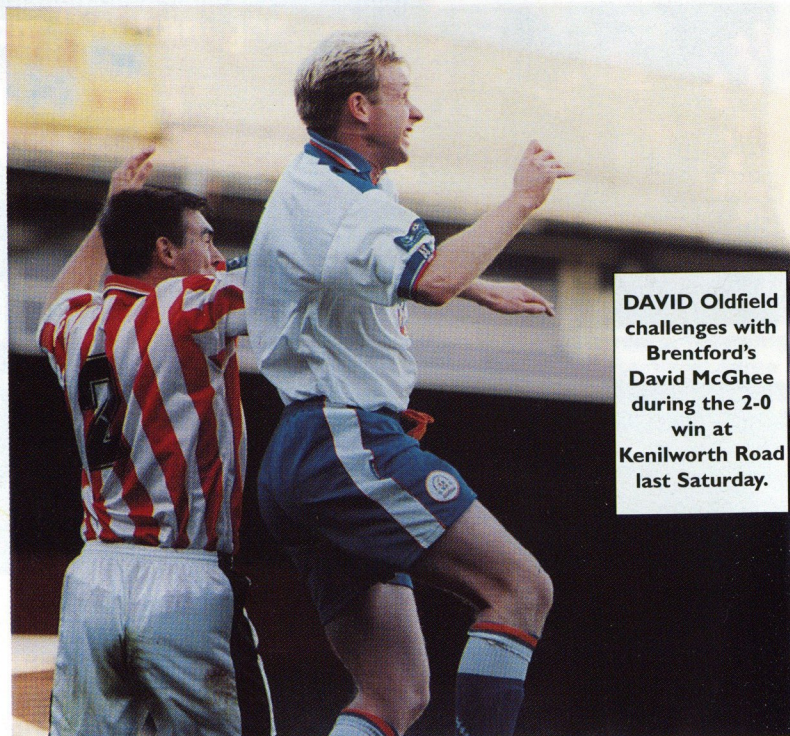
Thorpe then had a goal disallowed for offside, but the visitors were level in first-half stoppage time when Steve Davis set up the chance for David Oldfield.

Luton dominated much of the second period, but Wycombe broke out to snatch the lead on 63 minutes when McGavin curled in a shot from the edge of the box.

But Thorpe equalised 11 minutes later, with the Hatters then maintaining the pressure in the search for what proved to be an elusive winner.

Elsewhere, Watford stretched their lead at the top to eight points with a 4-1 home win over Blackpool. Jason Lee netted twice, with Ronny Rosenthal also on the scoresheet.

Bournemouth and Brentford drew 0-0, with Bristol City moving into second place after a 1-0 home win over



DAVID Oldfield challenges with Brentford's David McGhee during the 2-0 win at Kenilworth Road last Saturday.

Oldham.

This evening's opponents Burnley scored their winner 10 minutes from time at home to Walsall. Paul Barnes had put Burnley in front, with Adrian Viveash equalising on 79 minutes, but a minute later, Claret's substitute Andy Cooke netted the winner.

All the goals came in the opening 33 minutes at Brunton Park, as Wrexham recovered from a two-goal deficit to draw 2-2 with Carlisle, whilst Fulham were held 1-1 at home by Chesterfield.

Millwall bagged two goals in the last seven minutes to win 3-1 at Gillingham, with Paul Wilkinson again on the scoresheet, with Grimsby hitting five at

home to Southend, with Lee Nogan scoring twice.

Northampton looked set for the three points at home to Bristol Rovers when John Gayle headed them in front, and the visitors were reduced to 10 men when Brian Gayle was dismissed. But Jamie Cureton's 79th minute equaliser meant it finished 1-1.

Carlo Corazzin netted the winner in Plymouth's 1-0 victory at Preston, whilst Colin Greenall's last minute goal gave Wigan a 1-1 home draw with York.

See page 39 for all the Division Two stats, and page 46 for the up-to-date league table.

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FRONT COVER: Paul McLaren makes a point during Luton's 1-0 win at Carlisle. There's more action from Brunton Park on pages 36 and 37. (Picture: GARETH OWEN).

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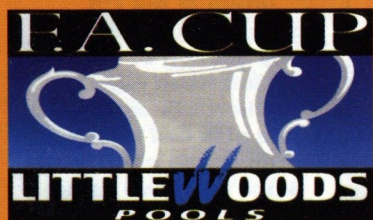
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Club Captain's Corner
with STEVE DAVIS



LEFT: Hair he goes..... Dwight Marshall was a second-half substitute for the Hatters against Brentford, and gives chase with the Bees centre-half Carl Hutchings.

THREE wins and a draw from our last four games is certainly more like it! But like a true pro, I'm not going to get carried away and come to that neither is anyone else.

One thing I've learnt over the years is if you think you've done it and take your foot off the pedal even just a little bit you come to a very sudden and unwelcome halt!

However, I will go as far as to say things are looking a lot rosier since that day we played a team in a sickly yellow strip!

Before I go any further I would like to say the support you've given the lads, especially at Carlisle when time was needed off work to get to the game, has been very much appreciated.

Hopefully we can continue to do our stuff, and come the end of the season give you something to really shout about.

I think a few congratulations are in order at this point. Firstly to Whitey for his first league goal. It was a nice way for him to cap an impressive performance with the winning goal. It almost turned out to be the last kick, or at least header of the game!

Also to Gary Doherty and Liam George who represented their country, Eire, last week in the popular holiday resorts of Moldova and Azerbaijan!

Training was pretty intense last week with Mitch and Fifty (Andrew Fotiadis) joining in after their injuries, and the Big Man (Ian Feuer, believe it or not) having a run out in the Stiffs at Norwich.

Hopefully with another three points in the bag from Saturday we can go into tonight's game with increased confidence and continue to climb the table.

The game tonight takes on an extra dimension for me, as of course Burnley are my former club.

I have some great memories from my time there, although many things have changed since I left. One thing however will never change, and that is the passion the supporters have for the club, and because of another last minute goal, one night in York always sticks out in my mind!

Their support is second to none, but I hope tonight, however, they don't have too much to shout about, and I'd love to stick one past my mate 'Mungo' Beresford in goal!

MARVIN JOHNSON BENEFIT 97/98

In recognition of 10 years loyal service to Luton Town, Marvin has been granted a benefit match at the end of the season, against Sheffield Wednesday, (subject to neither side being involved in any vital matches).

Marvin will also be holding a Sporting Dinner on November 11, at the Vauxhall Recreation Club, where for just £25 per person, you will receive a four-course meal, after-dinner speeches from David Pleat and Nick Owen, plus entertainment from a well-known comedian.

For further details please contact
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FIRSTLY fixtures, and a reminder that next Monday sees our first 'winter' Avon Insurance Combination match at Hitchin Town, when we play Ipswich, kick-off 7pm.

Admission is £2 for adults, and £1 for juniors and senior citizens.

The next match scheduled for Hitchin on November 24 has been reversed so that we play Arsenal at Highbury, kick-off 2pm, with the 'home' game at Hitchin now on Monday, February 16, kick-off 7pm.

At the time of writing I have no confirmed date for our Nationwide League match with Grimsby, which has been postponed on Tuesday, November 18, due to their Coca-Cola Cup involvement.

In the Beds Senior Cup we have been drawn away against Barton Rovers, and this match will be played at Sharpenhoe Road on Monday, November 17, kick-off 7.45pm. Admission prices are still to be confirmed.

A reminder that the youth team will play Swindon in the third round of the South East Counties League Cup.

This match will be at Luton

From the secretary's chair



with **CHERRY NEWBERY**

are available from the ticket office.

See page 19 of tonight's programme for full details of Junior Hatters activities.

Finally, can I once again tell you that, with the kind permission of the Rev. Nick Bell, we will be holding a Luton Town Christmas Carol Service, at St Mary's Parish Church on Wednesday, December 17, at 7.30pm.

You will need a ticket to attend and I hope to announce further details shortly. I hope that you and your family will join the directors, players and staff for what I hope will become an annual event.

Rugby Club on November 22, kick-off 11am.

Christmas is coming, and the Junior Hatters, with the help of the official Luton Town Supporters Club, have confirmed the date for their Christmas Party as Monday, December 15, from 7 to 9pm.

This will be at the Co-op Bowling Centre in Stockingstone Road, Luton, and further details

TOWN TEASER

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Luton Town v Preston North End

NATIONWIDE LEAGUE DIVISION TWO
Saturday, November 8, 1997, kick-off 3pm

Tickets for this match are now on sale at normal league prices.
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Luton Town v Torquay United

FA CUP (sponsored by Littlewoods) FIRST ROUND
Saturday, November 15, 1997, kick-off 3pm

Tickets for this match are now on sale at normal league prices.
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Season Ticket Holders' seats will be reserved for them to claim up until Friday, November 7, at 6pm. Cup voucher A applies for this fixture.

Members can now purchase tickets that are not reserved for Season Ticket Holders.

Grimsby Town v Luton Town

NATIONWIDE LEAGUE DIVISION TWO
Tuesday, November 18, 1997, kick-off 7.45pm

PLEASE NOTE: THIS GAME HAS BEEN POSTPONED DUE TO GRIMSBY'S INVOLVEMENT IN THE FOURTH ROUND OF THE COCA-COLA CUP. NO NEW DATE HAS YET BEEN ARRANGED.

Luton Town v Walsall

NATIONWIDE LEAGUE DIVISION TWO
Saturday, November 22, 1997, kick-off 3pm

Tickets for this match are now on sale at the discounted price.
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York City v Luton Town

NATIONWIDE LEAGUE DIVISION TWO
Saturday, November 29, 1997, kick-off 3pm

Pay on the day only at York.
Covered seats: £8.50 for adults, and £5.50 for juniors/senior citizens.
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(The LTFC ticket office will be open on Saturday, November 29, for the sale of other match tickets from 9 to 11am).

PLEASE NOTE: For a trial period, the ticket office was open on Fridays between 10am and 7pm. Our figures show that the service was not being used after 6pm, so the ticket office will now be open on Fridays between 10am and 6pm to assist supporters who are unable to contact the ticket office during normal opening hours. Thank you.

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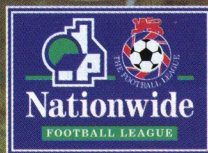
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LEFT: Hatters fan Donna Wells, from Luton, is pictured with Liverpool and England midfielder Jamie Redknapp, and the Spurs defender John Scales.

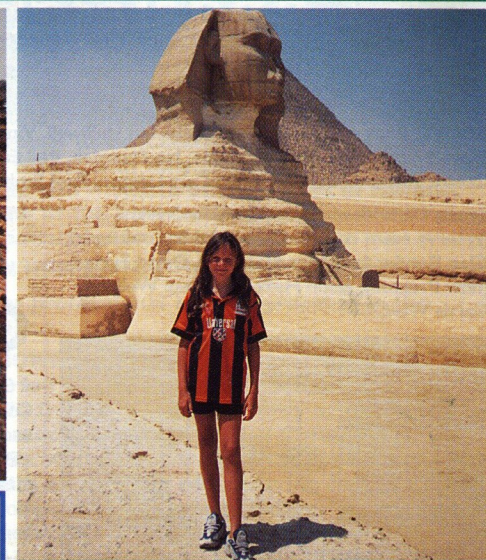
Donna won a national competition last year to spend a day with Jamie Redknapp, watching Liverpool train and then having a tour of Anfield.

The trip was rounded off with lunch at an Italian restaurant.



ABOVE: Town fans Ceri, Jayne and Peter Bulkeley, from Walsall in the West Midlands, are pictured on holiday this summer at the Victoria Falls in Zimbabwe.

LUTON fan Robert McCree, from 55 Wroxham Way, Harpenden, Herts, is anxious to obtain a match programme from a friendly match played between Millwall and Luton Town on March 15, 1954. Can anybody help? Please contact Mr McCree at the above address.



ABOVE: Nicole Hodge, from Dunstable, pictured at the Sphinx in Egypt. Eleven-year-old Nicole attends Mill Vale School, Dunstable.

THE Luton Town Supporters Club of Scandinavia are looking for a UK-based supporter to become guest writer in their fanzine 'The Hatters Magazine'.

The person must go to every home game and most of the away games, and anyone interested should write to: Lars-Petter Ronnestad, Chairman - Luton Town Supporters Club of Scandinavia, 6076 Moldtustranda, Norway.

The club has nearly 100 members across Scandinavia, and is the biggest club for English second division teams.

Many thanks for the large number of photographs which show you the supporters proudly displaying the Luton colours in various parts of the world. (There will a prize for the most obscure, or any with celebrities in!) Please keep sending them! Photos should be sent to:

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ABOVE: Back row: I to r: Glen Little, Ian Helliwell, Vince Overson, Mark Winstanley, Marlon Beresford, Chris Woods, Craig Mawson, Steve Blatherwick, Marco Gentile, Ian Duerden, Phil Eastwood. Middle row: Nigel Gleghorn, Gerry Harrison, Jamie Hoyland, Andy Cooke, Richard Huxford, Colin Carr-Lawton, Paul Smith, Mark Ford, Damian Matthew. Front row: Michael Williams, Paul Barnes, Chris Brass, Chris Vinnicombe, Gordon Cowans (reserve team coach), Chris Waddle (manager), Glen Roeder (assistant manager), David Eyres (now Preston), Jason Heffernan, Paul Weller, Garth West.



ABOVE: Paul Weller

Creaney on target as Clarets off the bottom

A STOPPAGE time miss by Andy Cooke robbed Burnley of their second successive home win.

But the point they earned from this match was enough to lift them off the foot of the second division table for the first time this season.

Unbeaten in five games, Burnley had been playing with renewed confidence.

But despite dominating the first-half and enjoying 75 per cent of the possession, they did not threaten until the stroke of half-time.

A four-man move worked the ball wide to player-manager Chris Waddle on the right flank. He cut inside and deceived the defence with a curling 20-yarder that hardly got above ground level.

Bournemouth started the second-half well and threatened to equalise on three occasions before Eddie Howe climbed above a static defence to rocket home a header.

WHAT THE PAPERS SAY!

Burnley's 2-2 draw with Bournemouth last Saturday, as reported in the YORKSHIRE POST.

Burnley countered when Gerry Creaney notched his sixth goal in as many games after hesitation in Bournemouth's defence but the celebrations lasted just three minutes before Jamie Vincent thundered in a 25-yard free-kick.

Howe went close again for the visitors, David Eyres and Paul Barnes both had chances for Burnley - then in stoppage time a back pass to Jimmy Glass saw the Bournemouth keeper caught in possession. Cooke managed to get the ball off him and line up a shot, but the ball flew over the top.

Team: Beresford, Brass, Vinnicombe (Weller 53), Harrison, Moore, Howey, Waddle, Williams (Little 80), Creaney (Cooke 68), Barnes, Eyres.

SPOTLIGHT ON TODAY'S VISITORS



MARLON BERESFORD - Goalkeeper who has been Burnley's number one for five years, with an outstanding penalty saving record - stopping 12 of 23 for the Clarets. Served his apprenticeship at Sheffield Wednesday under then-England keeper Chris Woods, now his rival for the number one shirt at Turf Moor.

CHRIS WOODS - Former England goalkeeper signed on a free transfer from Sunderland in the summer after a hugely successful career at Nottingham Forest, QPR, Norwich, Glasgow Rangers and Sheffield Wednesday. Will challenge Beresford for the starting place, as well as doubling as goalkeeper coach.

CRAIG MAWSON - Highly-rated goalkeeper in his first season as a professional.

CHRIS BRASS - Defender/midfielder who swept the board in the Player-of-the-Year awards last season. Was on stand-by for the League Under-21 side to play Italy's Serie B last term.

MARK WINSTANLEY - Experienced defender who signed from Bolton for £150,000 in the summer of 1994.

JAMIE HOYLAND - Versatile former Sheffield United man who played to great effect last season in a three-man central defence. His two goals against Brentford in March 1997 were his first since November 1994, and helped the Clarets to arguably their best win of the season.

VINCE OVERSON - Returned to the club last summer after 10 years away at Birmingham and Stoke, but achilles problems plagued his season.

CHRIS VINNICOMBE - Former Glasgow Rangers and England Under 21 left back, who played a

minor part last season while recovering from a broken ankle.

GARETH WEST - Injuries marred West's first year as a professional, but the tall centre-back is rated as a good prospect.

RICHARD HUXFORD - Arrived at Turf Moor in February last season from Bradford City. Capable of playing anywhere along the back line, and in midfield. Huxford initially replaced Gary Parkinson at right-back, and the 28-year-old is expected to rival Michael Williams for the right wing-back slot this term. Formerly with Barnet and Millwall.

GERRY HARRISON - Talented centre-back or midfielder who had a superb first half of the season before injuries limited his appearances.

STEVE BLATHERWICK - £150,000 close season signing from Nottingham Forest. Centre-half who made 12 Premiership appearances last season, and opted for Turf Moor ahead of a new three-year deal at the City Ground.

MARCO GENTILE - Free transfer signing from Dutch second division champions MVV Maastricht under the Bosman ruling, Gentile comes highly rated. Ruud Gullitt no less claimed the centre-back - whose uncle Claudio won a World Cup winners medal with Italy in 1982 - marked Dennis Bergkamp and Romario out of games in Holland, and is one of the best Dutch players never to play for the national side.

JASON HEFFERNAN - Defender who signed as a first year professional after impressing in the junior sides.

LEE HOWEY - 28-year-old convert centre-half, who started out as a forward. Howey moved for £200,000 from Sunderland shortly after the start of the season, after impressing Chris Waddle during his stint at Roker Park last term. Spent five years with Sunderland after playing for Belgian side AC Hemptinne. Younger brother Steve plays for Newcastle and England.

DAMIAN MATTHEW - Former Chelsea, Crystal Palace and England Under-21 man who struggled with various injuries throughout last season, but still scored eight goals from midfield. Had a loan spell at Luton during his Chelsea days.

PAUL WELLER - Right-sided midfielder who ended last season in his best form for the club.

GLEN LITTLE - Midfielder signed from Glentoran for £100,000 midway through last season. Former Crystal Palace youngster who impressed in his limited first-team outings.

(Continued on page 14).



LEFT: Former Sunderland defender Lee Howey.

See page 20 for Burnley stats.....

MARK FORD - Former England Under 21 skipper who made a half-century of Premiership appearances for Leeds United before signing for Burnley in a £275,000 deal in the summer. Midfielder who skippered Leeds' 1993 FA Youth Cup winning side.

MARK ROBERTSON - 20-year-old Australian youth international, who can play in defence or midfield. Starred for Australia in the world youth cup in Malaysia in June and comes highly-rated. Had a trial at Glasgow Rangers before arriving at Turf Moor and earning a two-year contract.

PAUL SMITH - Wide player who impressed after breaking into the side last season.

PAUL BARNES - 25-goal Paul Barnes arrived at Turf Moor as the club's most expensive player ever at £350,000 from Birmingham City. Previously with York he continued his goalscoring exploits at Burnley, getting off the mark with all five in the 5-2 win over Stockport in October, and added hat-tricks against Peterborough and Blackpool.

ANDY COOKE - Centre-forward who spent most of last season as understudy to Paul Barnes and Kurt Nogan (now with Preston), but still netted his fair share - including a hat-trick at home to Watford on the last day of the campaign.

IAN HELLIWELL - 6ft 4ins striker who signed from Stockport for £50,000 in February 1996. Opportunities have been limited at Turf Moor, but the 34-year-old has proved a fine target-man throughout his career at York, Scunthorpe, Rotherham and Stockport.

COLIN CARR-LAWTON - Geordie striker who signed as a first-year professional after a prolific term in the junior sides. Made his first-team debut in January in the Auto Windscreens Shield after a loan spell at Unibond League side Leek Town.

PHIL EASTWOOD - Strike now in the professional ranks after a good record in youth football. Netted the winner in the 1995 LFA Youth Cup Final against Manchester City.

IAN DUERDEN - Young forward who caught the eye in a spell on loan at Conference side Southport towards the end of last season.



MICHAEL WILLIAMS - Versatile player who signed from Sheffield Wednesday on a free transfer over the summer. Signed for Wednesday in 1991 from non-league football, but made just 31 league appearances over five seasons at Hillsborough.

NEIL MOORE - Centre-half who was released by Norwich in the summer, having formerly been with Everton. Returned to the north-west and earned a two-year contract at Turf Moor.

LEFT: Former Leeds United midfielder Mark Ford.

MEET THE MANAGER



When Adrian Heath left Turf Moor in the summer to join up with Howard Kendall at Everton, Burnley turned to former England star CHRIS WADDLE to be their new player-manager.

A household name in football, Waddle hasn't enjoyed the easiest of starts to management, but even at 37 his playing skills alone should lift Burnley up the table.

From the modest start of non-league football with Tow Law in his native north-east, Waddle went on to become one of the most expensive players in the world.

He left Tow Law to join Newcastle, and then headed south to Tottenham Hotspur. When he left White Hart Lane to join French giants Marseille in 1989, he was the third most expensive player in the world at £4.25 million, and he went on to become one of Europe's finest in three years at the Velodrome.

He played in the 1991 European Cup Final for Marseilles, after starring a year earlier in England's Italia '90 World Cup bid that ended in the semi-finals, when he was the unfortunate player to miss a crucial penalty.

Returned to England to Sheffield Wednesday, and last season tasted Nationwide League action at Bradford and Everton.

His assistant manager at Turf Moor is a former Newcastle team-mate GLENN ROEDER, also now part of Glenn Hoddle's England coaching set-up.

Roeder was formerly manager at Gillingham and Watford, after a playing career which saw him make nearly 650 senior appearances for Orient, QPR, Newcastle, Notts County and Watford.

The Hatters and The Clarets

IT is now almost 100 years ago since we first clashed with Burnley in the Football League. On November 13th 1897 we were thumped 4-0 by promotion bound Burnley at Turf Moor but in the return we created one of the shocks of the day by winning 2-0 with goals coming from Gallagher and Donaldson.

The early meetings were therefore short and sweet and with Burnley's promotion and our eventual decision to quit the Football League in 1900, three years after joining, meant we had a long wait before catching up with the Clarets again.

Forty years were to pass before we set eyes on each other and with both sides in the old Division Two, season 1937/38 saw each side win on their own ground. The 3-1 victory at Kenilworth Road saw full back Tom Mackey score two goals - a remarkable feat considering he had never previously looked remotely like scoring in 180 league games for the Town. They were also to be his last as he hung his boots up at the end of that season to become Assistant Trainer.

A parting of the ways came again with Burnley's promotion to Division One in 1947 and it was not until our own elevation in 1955 that we met once more although it was not a happy reunion with the Clarets winning three of the first four clashes.

Our turn came in 1957/58 with the double being achieved - 3-2 at Luton with Gordon Turner scoring twice and 2-1 away with Turner again on the scoresheet to climax a run of four straight wins during which Sunderland had been thrashed 7-1 at Kenilworth Road.

During the next campaign we achieved our biggest ever win over Burnley with a 6-2 victory at Kenilworth Road. This was a timely win as the Luton supporters were not convinced that what was to be our 'Cup Final' team was the best combination.

A hat trick from Allan Brown, two from Bob Morton and a single strike from Dave Pacey gave the 15,753 crowd a chance to alter their opinion.

Following our relegation from Division One in 1960 we did not play each other for League points until 1971/72 when honours were even once again but the next season saw probably the most exciting game between the two clubs.

A crowd of 12,197 and millions more on 'Match of the Day' witnessed a 2-2 draw that could have gone either way up to the final whistle. John Aston, with a penalty, and Vic Halom scored for the Town with Leighton James notching both for the Clarets.

Burnley won promotion at the end of that season with ourselves following a year later to suffer two defeats in 1974/75 at a time when Leighton James said that the Luton defence was "the worst I have ever played against!"

We conceded 65 goals that season but Burnley let in



ABOVE: Tony Thorpe pictured during Burnley's 2-1 win here last season.

by ROGER WASH

one more during the following campaign to join us in the old Division Two.

We achieved the double once again in 1976/77 with Ricky Hill (in only his fifth game for the club) and Dixie Deans on the scoresheet for only our second ever win at Turf Moor but the Clarets returned the compliment the following campaign.

The next parting of the ways came in 1980 with Burnley's relegation but both sides narrowly missed the drop the season before. The 4-1 win at Kenilworth Road in April 1979 was seen as a 'make or break' game and goals from Bob Hatton with two, Brian Stein and future Claret, Steve Taylor, sending a relieved crowd of 6,466 home happy.

In more recent times we came up against the Clarets three years ago and they succeeded in beating us both home and away even though they were relegated at the season's end. Burnley won 1-0 at Kenilworth Road, with a late winner giving them a 2-1 win at home, after Dwight Marshall had put the Hatters in front.

In last season's games Burnley won 2-1 at Kenilworth Road on the opening day with ex-Hatters Kurt Nogan and Steve Thompson on the scoresheet, but we gained full revenge in winning 2-0 at Turf Moor in a vital promotion clash. Tony Thorpe bagged both goals in front of a 15,000-strong crowd.



Tony Thorpe (partly hidden by David Oldfield) heads Luton 2-0 in front against Brentford on 59 minutes.

Graham Alexander has plenty to smile about (inset) after beating Brentford keeper Nick Colgan to net his first goal of the season.

Tony Thorpe tests the Brentford defence during the first-half.

Gary Waddock returned to the Town midfield after injury, and comes up against Brentford's Ryan Denys (7).

ACTION STATIONS

Luton Town 2 Brentford 0

(Alexander, Thorpe)

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HALF TIME QUIZ

1. From which club did Robert Lee join Newcastle?
2. Who was the first goalkeeper to captain a World Cup winning side?
3. From which French club did AC Milan sign George Weah?
4. Which British player was known as 'El Beatle' in Portugal?
5. In which year was the penalty kick introduced?
6. From which club did Queens Park Rangers buy Trevor Sinclair?
7. In which year did the USA beat England in a World Cup match?
8. Who was the Dutch captain who lifted the 1988 European Championships Trophy?
9. In which year was the League Cup Final first played at Wembley?
10. Who was the Wimbledon manager when they won the 1988 FA Cup?

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WHOSE CRESTS?: Bournemouth, Brentford and Everton
IDENTIKIT?: Barry Venison, Darren Anderton and Chris Sutton
WHAT A JUMBLE: Peter Schmeichel, Jason McAteer, Marcus Gayle, Chris Woode, Gareth Southgate, Mo Johnston, Geoff Hurrell, Bernard Lama, Peter Withe, Stefano Eranio.

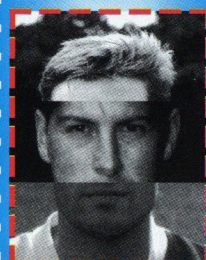


whose crests?

Name the three club crests featured in this montage

IDENTIKIT

Name the three players in this patchwork pic



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WHAT A JUMBLE!

Unscramble the names of these ten players.

TOM JOHNSON

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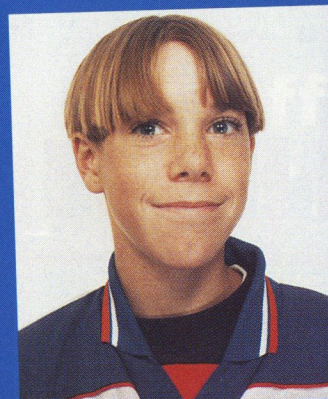
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SEAFARE NOTION



Today's mascot



This evening's Junior Hatters mascot is 14-year-old CHRISTOPHER SMITH, who attends Sir John Lawes School. His hobbies are swimming, football and hockey, and his favourite Luton Town player is Steve Davis.

DON'T FORGET TO POP INTO THE CLUB SHOP FOR A WHOLE RANGE OF GIFT IDEAS FOR CHRISTMAS!

JUNIOR HATTERS NEWS

Get ready for the Juniors Xmas Party!

A WARM welcome to Kenilworth Road to all Junior Hatters, and let's hope we can carry on our winning ways this evening. Don't forget the Junior Hatters Christmas Party is on Monday, December 15, from 7 to 9pm, at the Co-op Bowling Centre in Stockingstone Road, Luton, and further details are available from the ticket office. Tickets are £3.50, and Luton players will be there.

Once again this season we will be organising a number of special events for you, as well as trips to watch the Hatters away from home, and the popular Saturday Club for home matches.

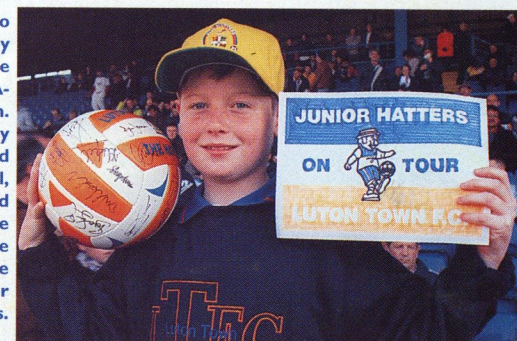
The Saturday Club is back in full swing again, and there's the usual pre-match fun and games, with lunch, and a ticket for the match. The Saturday Club is once again proving extremely popular, with over 70 youngsters now taking part. Prices are £4 for Junior Hatter season ticket holders, which includes lunch and a drink, and £8 for Junior Hatter non-season ticket holders, which includes lunch and drink, plus a match ticket.

We organised a trip to Wycombe on Saturday, and we will also be going to York at the end of November - to watch the game only - and prices are once again £12 for adults and £10 for Junior Hatters for the trip to Bootham Crescent. We will also be going to Chesterfield next month, and hope to organise a trip to Millwall just after Christmas.

A reminder that renewals of Junior Hatters membership for this season will be £6. New membership of the Junior Hatters will cost £10. (Both of these figures include Junior Membership).

RIGHT: Congratulations to Junior Hatter Anthony Dumpleton who is the winner of our Design-A-Banner Competition.

Anthony, from Pottery Close, Luton, was presented with his prize, a signed ball, at the Brentford game, and the banner will now be made, and will go up in the Family Room and on the Junior Hatters coach for away trips.



ABOVE: James Croft, our mascot against Brentford, is pictured with the team captains and match officials prior to kick-off.

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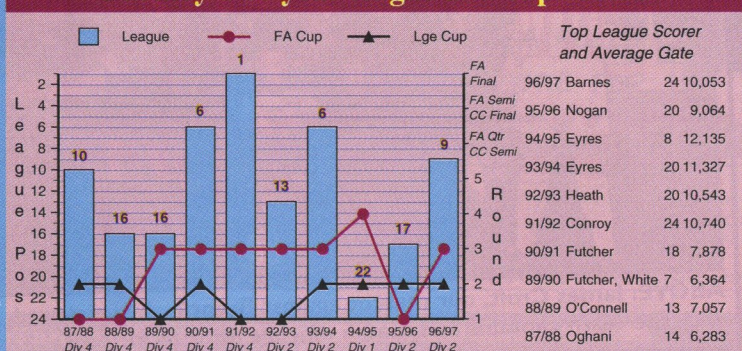


Who has played for Burnley

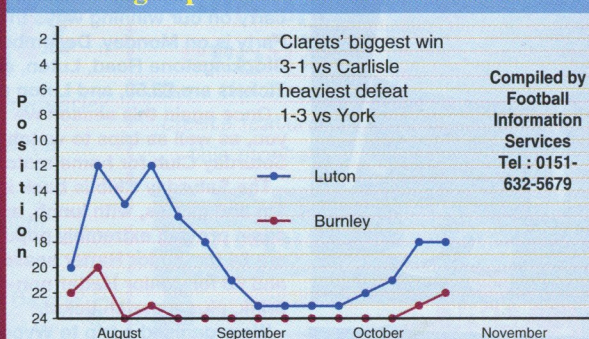
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Marlon Beresford 2/9/69	15	4		Sheff Wed Northampton (L) Crewe (L) Ipswich (L) Bury (L)
Paul Barnes 16/11/67	14(1)	3		Birmingham York Stoke Chesterfield (L) Notts County Torquay
Chris Brass 24/7/75	13	3		Leeds
Mark Ford 10/10/75 Eng U21	12(1)	1	5	Sunderland
Lee Howey 1/4/69	12	1		Sunderland Bradford
Chris Waddle 14/12/60 England	11(3)	1	1	Falkirk Sheff Wed Marseille Tottenham Newcastle Rangers Exeter
Chris Vinnicombe 20/10/70 Eng U21	9	2		Norwich Everton
Neil Moore 21/9/72	8(2)	2		Rotherham (L) Carlisle (L) Oldham (L) Blackpool (L)
Paul Weller 6/3/75	7(6)	2(1)	1	Forest Reading (L)
Steve Blatherwick 20/9/73	7(1)	3	1	Hereford (L) Wycombe (L) on loan from Man City
Gerry Creaney 13/4/70 Scot U21	7(1)	6		Huddersfield Bristol City Hereford (L) Cardiff (L) Watford
Gerry Harrison 15/4/72 Eng Sch	7			Sheff Wed Peterborough (L) Huddersfield (L) Halifax Bolton
Michael Williams 21/11/69	6(1)	2		Palace Bristol Rovers (L) Chelsea Luton (L) Newtown
Mark Winstanley 22/1/68	6	2	1	Bradford Peterborough (L) Millwall
Damien Matthew 23/9/70 Eng U21	5(3)	3(1)		Birmingham (L) Barnet
Andy Cooke 21/7/74	4(4)	2	2	Stockport Bradford
Richard Huxford 25/7/69	4	2(1)		Sheff Utd Wolves Bari Derby Villa Blackburn
Gordon Cowans 27/10/58 England	1(1)	1		
Ian Duerden 27/3/78	1			
Philip Eastwood 6/4/78	1			
Nigel Gleghorn 12/8/82	1		1	Stoke Birmingham Man City Ipswich Seaham
Paul Smith 22/1/76	(2)			
Jamie Hoyland 23/1/66 Eng Yth	(1)			Sheff Utd Bristol City (L) Bury Man City
Glen Little 25/10/75	(1)			Glentoran Palace
Marco Gentile 24/8/68	1			MVV Maastricht

Key : A=Appearances (Sub) C=Cautions (Sent Off) G=Goals
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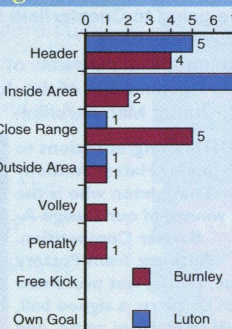
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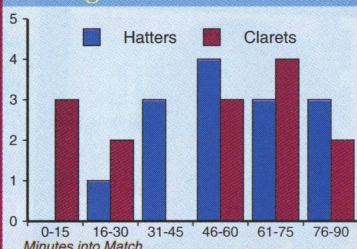
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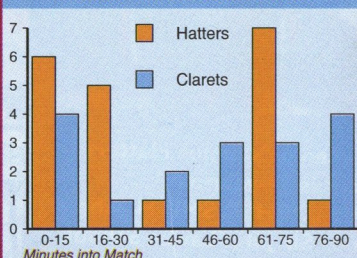
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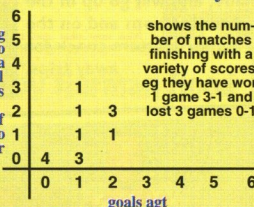
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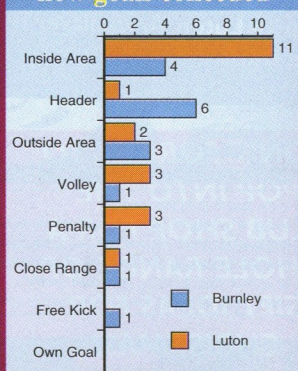
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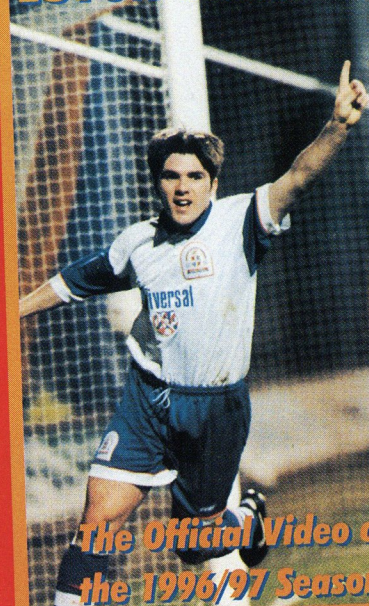
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Player Profile



GRAHAM ALEXANDER

Date of Birth: 10/10/71

Previous Clubs: Scunthorpe United

Joined Luton: July 1995 (£100,000 from Scunthorpe United)

Graham joined the Hatters in July 1995, and was Terry Westley's first signing after being confirmed as Luton's new manager.

The Town coaching staff had been watching him for some time before deciding to make their move, with the fee in the region of £100,000, with further payments depending on appearances.

A regular on the right-hand side of midfield, he played in all but one of Luton's league and cup matches in the 1996/97 season.

Most memorable game: "Our 6-0 victory over Crewe last season, when I scored the opening goal."

Game I'd prefer to forget: "There are two games which stand out. For Scunthorpe, it was the 1992 Division Three play-off final at Wembley, when we lost to Blackpool on penalties. Unfortunately I missed a penalty in the shoot-out. For Luton, it would be last season's play-off semi-final second leg against Crewe - for obvious reasons."

Which present-day player do you admire most? "De La Pena - Barcelona's top class midfielder."

Premiership 'Dream Team': Peter Schmeichel; Sol Campbell, Tony Adams, Colin Hendry; David Beckham, Roy Keane, David Batty, Ryan Giggs; Dennis Bergkamp, Faustino Asprilla, Ian Wright.

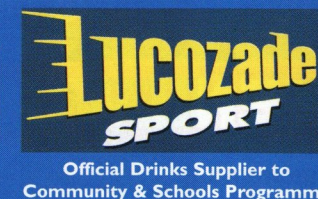
Greatest sporting achievement away from football: "Refusing to play hockey for my school, even though it led to a suspension from the football team!"

State of the game: "I don't like the way the game is being taken over by non-football people, with a stock market rather than football background. The foreign players have given a lot to the English game, but I feel they should be restricted per club, as the huge numbers at some teams means fewer 'home' players are coming through."

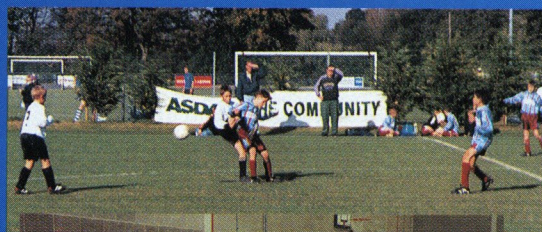
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Home Counties Newspapers Under 12 Representative Tournament



ABOVE left and right: Action from the final which was won by the Bushey Friendly League, against the Royston Crow League, 2-0.

LEFT: But everyone had reason to celebrate as ASDA kindly paid for all the youngsters to watch that afternoon's Luton v Brentford match.



Mini-Soccer with LTFC

LTFC's Community and Schools Programme, and the Bedfordshire FA, have launched a major initiative to encourage young children between the ages of 6 and 11 years to play football.

Mini-soccer has been devised to provide a fun introduction to the sport for children of all abilities, with six or eight-a-side games played with simplified rules on small pitches.

Recognising the increased reliance on organised sport and leisure activities for children, Luton Town FC and the Beds FA aim to establish up to 20 mini-soccer centres throughout Bedfordshire.

The initiative was launched two weeks ago, but Mini-soccer will take place every Saturday morning between 10am and 11.30am. For details call Dean Rastrick, the LTFC Football Development Officer, at Luton Town on (01582) 411622.



HALF-TERM COURSES

A BIG thank-you to all those who have attended our Half-Term courses across the region, which have once again proved a great success.

We were in Luton, Milton Keynes, Leighton Buzzard and Dunstable, with Tony Thorpe (left) and Ian Feuer among the players to take part. See Saturday's programme for action from the courses, and we will shortly be announcing our Christmas programme.



ABOVE: The Asda Fair Play Award went to the Luton and Dunstable Representative team.

RIGHT: The two finalists - from the Bushey Friendly and Royston Crow leagues - are pictured at the half-time presentation with Andrew Gibbs (General Manager of the Luton News), Mark Chapman (General Manager of Asda, Luton), and Bedfordshire FA Secretary, Peter Brown.



ABOVE: Asda General Manager Mark Chapman, with the winning captain from the Bushey Friendly XI.

As part of Luton Town's rapidly expanding Community and Schools Programme, we last Saturday hosted a Home Counties Under 12 representative tournament - sponsored by ASDA stores - featuring over 80 youngsters.

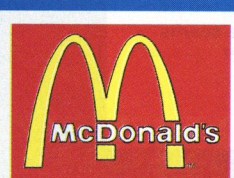
This took place at the Vauxhall Recreation Centre, in Gypsy Lane, Luton, and featured teams from the following leagues:- Bedford Colts League, Chiltern Youth League, Mid Herts Rural Minors, Bushey Friendly League, the Royston Crow League, plus a representative side from Luton and Dunstable.

The tournament got underway at 9.30am, with presentations to the winning teams being made at half-time at Kenilworth Road in that afternoon's Luton Town v Brentford match.

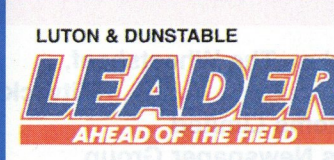


ABOVE: Ian Feuer presents Royston's Joe West with his Player of the Tournament Trophy, and a pair of Adidas Predator boots.

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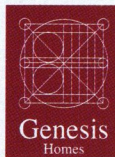
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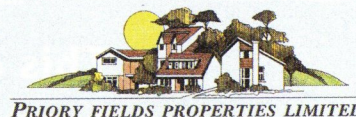


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INJURY UPDATE

More players set to return in reserve team tomorrow

Two more players could resume after injury in tomorrow's reserve team game at Wimbledon.

MITCHELL THOMAS is back in training after his hernia operation, and STUART DOUGLAS was set to resume training yesterday (Monday) and could also feature tomorrow.

IAN FEUER played in the reserve team last week at Norwich and came through without any problems, and will have a further match tomorrow.

ANDREW FOTIADIS also played at Norwich, and was on the bench at Wycombe on Saturday, with MARVIN JOHNSON also returning on Saturday and coming through the match without any problems after his knee injury.

JULIAN JAMES was unable to train for much of last week after a nose injury suffered against Brentford. Supporters may recall he was forced to leave the field in the first-half after a bang on the nose, but then suffered another bang in the face and we were unable to stop the bleeding so he had to come off.

He then sat out training to avoid the possibility of further damage, but resumed on Friday, and of course played on Saturday.

The only slight injury to come out of Saturday's game at Wycombe was to PHIL GRAY who jarred his ankle in a second-half tackle.

DARREN PATTERSON has been out for a lengthy period with an ankle injury, but is due to resume full training this week, and CHRIS WILLMOTT is also back in full training after his cruciate knee ligament operation.

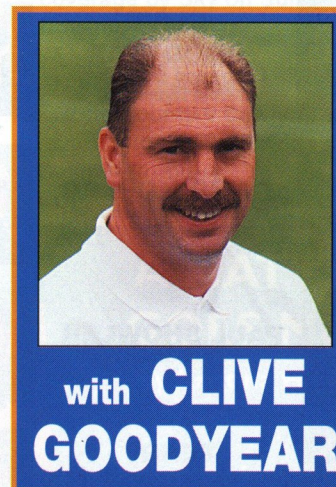
PAUL SHOWLER continues his recovery from a hernia operation, and could resume jogging this week, but is of course some weeks from full fitness.



LEFT: Julian James was unable to train for much of last week.



RIGHT: Mitchell Thomas is set to resume after injury, in the reserve side tomorrow.



Win tickets for YOUR junior team

FOR the third season in succession, 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, and through monies raised through the year, the supporters, in conjunction with Luton Town FC, have again funded the award.

The award is run on a monthly self-nomination basis - starting with November 1997 - and is open to all teams, boys and girls, under the age of 16. Winners receive 15 tickets (13 children and two adults) for a chosen Luton home match.

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

Anyone wanting to nominate their local youth, school, cubs or girls team, should send a letter to Simon Oxley, c/o LTFC, briefly explaining why they deserve to win one of the monthly awards. And remember, you only need to make one nomination. All remaining letters will be considered throughout the rest of the season.



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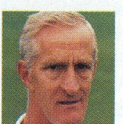
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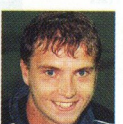
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Hatters face Torquay... Haven't we met somewhere before?

LUTON Town will face Torquay United in the first round of the FA Cup, on November 15, in a repeat of last season's first round tie.

On that occasion the Hatters made the long trip to the south-west, and came away with a 1-0 win, with Ceri Hughes netting the winner during the first-half.

Elsewhere in the draw, Boreham Wood, our opponents in round two last season, have again progressed to the first round after a replay win over Rushden and Diamonds. They now travel to Hayes.

And there's a Hertfordshire derby with third division Barnet hosting Watford at Underhill.

Big-spending Fulham travel to non-league Margate, in the tie



selected for live television coverage by Sky on Sunday, November 16.

First round draw:

Northern section:

Notts County v Colwyn Bay
Darlington v Stalybridge or
Solihull Borough
Chesterfield v Northwich

Hull v Hednesford
Hartlepool v Macclesfield
Chester v Winsford
Rochdale v Wrexham
Morecambe v Emley
Ilkeston v Boston Utd
Lincoln City v Gainsborough
Shrewsbury v Grimsby
Oldham v Mansfield
Rotherham v Burnley
Southport v York
Preston NE v Doncaster
Carlisle v Wigan
Walsall v Lincoln United
Blackpool v Blyth Spartans
Scunthorpe v Scarborough

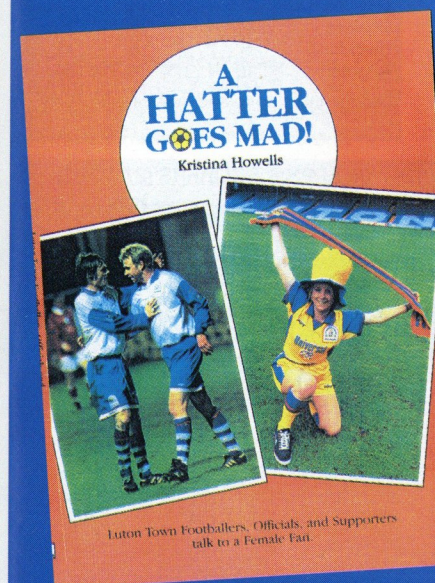
Southern section:

Swansea v Peterborough
Sittingbourne or Hereford v
Brighton
Hayes v Boreham Wood
Cheltenham v Tiverton
Billericay or Camberley v
Gloucester or Wisbech
Bognor Regis or Farnborough v
Dagenham and Redbridge
Hendon v Leyton Orient
Brentford v Colchester
Bournemouth v Heybridge Swifts
Wycombe v Basingstoke
Woking v Southend
LUTON TOWN v Torquay
Plymouth v Cambridge Utd
Exeter v Northampton
Carshalton v Stevenage
Slough v Cardiff
Kings Lynn v Bromsgrove
Bristol Rovers v Gillingham
Margate v Fulham
Barnet v Watford
Bristol City v Millwall

See page 9 for ticket details for the FA Cup first round match against Torquay on Saturday, November 15, at Kenilworth Road.

A HATTER GOES MAD

by Kristina Howells



Look out for this new publication which is launched in Luton on November 8. It's a collection of Luton Town memories compiled by past and present players, officials and supporters - as told to committed Hatters fan Kristina Howells.

The launch on November 8 is at three venues, across the town:

9.30 to 10.45am - Hammicks, Arndale Centre.

11am to 12 noon - LTFC Club Shop.

12.30 to 2pm - Asda, Wigmore Lane.

RESERVES AND YOUTH ROUND-UP



THE Town's reserve side returned to action with a defeat and a draw following the postponement of the games against West Ham and Brighton.

(These games were postponed due to injuries, and at the time of writing no new dates had been arranged).

The defeat came at Kenilworth Road, 4-1 to Charlton, in a game which saw Icelandic triallist Haraldr Ingolfsson make his debut.

The Luton scorer was Andrew Barr, with his fourth goal of the season in the Avon Insurance Combination.

Team: Abbey, Lawes, Harvey, Evers, Boyce, Fraser, Sweeney (McIndoe), Kean, Barr (Scarlett), Doherty, Ingolfsson.

Sub not used: Peake.

Marvin Johnson returned to action after a knee injury, playing 65 minutes of the 0-0 draw against Chelsea.

Dwight Marshall and Richard Harvey also featured in the Town side.

Team: Abbey, Jones, Fraser, Evers, Boyce, Johnson (Peake), Sweeney, Kean, Barr, Harvey, Marshall (Scarlett).

Sub not used: Lawes.

A number of players returned from injury in last Monday's 1-0 defeat by Norwich at Carrow Road.

Ian Feuer, Andrew Fotiadis and Steve Augustine played the full 90 minutes, with Marvin Johnson also getting in another full game after his knee injury.

Team: Feuer, Jones (Sweeney), Harvey, Evers, Boyce, Johnson, Augustine, Kean, Davies, Fotiadis,

Marshall. Subs not used: Barr, Abbey.

Our reserve team fixtures with Arsenal have been reversed, and will now be played as follows: We will play at Highbury on November 24, with a 2pm kick-off, with the return at Hitchin Town on February 16, kick-off 7pm.

As you can see from the fixture list (left) a number of matches are again being played at Hitchin Town FC over the winter months. This now includes a rearranged game at home to Swindon on Monday, December 8.

At the time of writing we are still waiting to confirm a date for the match

AVON INSURANCE COMBINATION

	P	W	D	L	E	A	Pts
Arsenal	11	7	3	1	32	9	24
Tottenham	11	7	2	2	20	13	23
C Palace	11	7	0	4	21	14	21
Charlton	9	6	1	2	22	8	19
Southampton	11	5	4	2	22	12	19
Oxford	11	4	5	2	18	18	17
Wimbledon	11	4	3	4	14	9	15
Portsmouth	10	3	5	2	12	9	14
Norwich	11	3	5	3	12	17	14
Watford	11	3	4	4	12	17	13
Millwall	10	3	3	4	11	17	12
Ipswich	11	2	5	4	14	22	11
West Ham	11	3	2	6	14	22	11
QPR	11	2	4	5	11	13	10
LUTON TOWN	8	2	3	3	9	13	9
Chelsea	11	1	5	5	11	21	8
Swindon	9	2	1	6	7	12	7
Brighton	10	1	3	6	10	26	6

League table up to and including 22.10.97

AVON INSURANCE COMBINATION 1997/98 APPS & SCORERS (27/10/97)

	APPS	G		APPS	G
Nathan ABBEY	7		Haraldr INGOLFSSON	1	
Ian JONES	8		Marvin JOHNSON	2	
Richard HARVEY	5		Dwight MARSHALL	2	
Sean EVERS	6		Ian FEUER	1	
Gary DOHERTY	6	2	Steve AUGUSTINE	1	
Emerson BOYCE	5		Simon DAVIES	1	
Robert KEAN	9		Andrew FOTIADIS	1	
Matthew SPRING	3 (2)				
Andrew BARR	6	4			
Liam GEORGE	5	2			
Terry SWEENEY	6 (1)				
Andre SCARLETT	(5)				
Michael MCINDOE	2 (3)				
Stuart FRASER	5 (2)				
Daniel TATE	1				
Gavin MCGOWAN	3	1			
Paul SHOWLER	2				
Alan WHITE	2				
Russell LAWES	1 (2)				
Colin OMOGBEHIN	3				
S QUINN	2				
Trevor PEAKE	2 (1)				
Richard CLARKE	(2)				
M BLOCK					

Games in CAPITALS denotes home fixture.
Home matches played at Kenilworth Road will kick-off at 2pm. * Denotes home match to be played at Hitchin, kick-off 7pm.

at the County Ground.

The youth team remained top of South East Counties Division Two, with a 3-2 win at Southampton.

Tresor Kandol bagged a hat-trick for the Hatters, who also had James Ayres sent off.

Team: Tate, Lawes, Fraser, Clarke, Boyce, Ayres, Scarlett, Robert (McKoy), Kandol (Howe), McIndoe, Jerry. Sub not used: Harrington.

The Town youngsters progressed to the third round of the South East Counties League Cup, with a 2-0 win against Arsenal, at London Colney.

Substitute Delroy McKoy scored both Luton goals, after replacing Darren Howe after 35 minutes.

Team: Tate, Lawes, Fraser, Clarke, Howe (McKoy), Ayres (Harrington), Scarlett, Robert (Stirling), Kandol, McIndoe, Jerry.

Luton now play Swindon Town, at home, in the third round on Saturday, November 22.

Last Saturday the youth team extended their lead at the top of the league table with a 1-0 win over Tottenham, with Moses Jerry netting the winning goal.

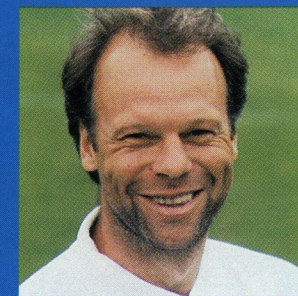
Team: Tate, Lawes, McKoy, Howe (Harrington), Moran, Stirling (Boyce), Scarlett, Clarke, Kandol (Robert), McIndoe, Jerry.

They have also progressed in the Eastern Junior Cup, with a 3-0 win at Clacton. Moses Jerry, Andre Scarlett and Stuart Fraser were the scorers.

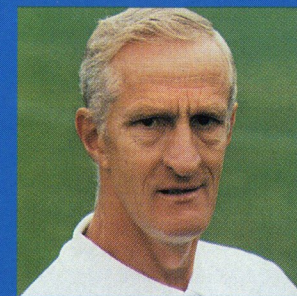
SOUTH EAST COUNTIES DIV TWO

	P	W	D	L	E	A	Pts
LUTON TOWN	10	7	1	2	33	12	22
Brentford	9	4	4	1	18	10	16
Southampton	10	5	1	4	26	18	16
Tottenham	10	5	1	4	15	18	16
Bristol City	8	4	3	1	17	13	15
Swindon T	9	4	2	3	18	17	14
Colchester U	10	4	2	4	17	17	14
Wycombe W	8	3	3	2	14	9	12
Bristol R	9	3	3	3	23	20	12
Wimbledon	8	3	3	2	16	19	12
Oxford Utd	9	4	0	5	19	25	12
Barnet	10	2	3	5	16	24	9
Bournemouth	10	1	4	5	16	23	7
Reading	9	1	3	5	10	21	6
Brighton	9	1	3	5	11	23	6

League table as at October 25, 1997



with **TREVOR PEAKE**



and **JOHN MOORE**

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

Sat Aug 9	WYCOMBE W	lost 1-0	Sat Dec 13	Bristol Rovers	
Sat Aug 16	Reading	won 6-0	Sat Dec 20	Wycombe W	
Tue Aug 19	Ipswich (SJFC Pre)	won 1-0	Sat Dec 27	Wimbledon	
Sat Aug 23	Swindon Town	won 4-2			
Sat Aug 30	OXFORD UTD	won 5-1	Sat Jan 10	SWINDON TOWN	11am
			Sat Jan 17	Oxford United	
Fri Sep 5	Barnet	won 4-2	Sat Jan 24	BARNET	11am
Tue Sep 9	C PALACE (SJFC1)	lost 1-0	Sat Jan 31	Brighton	
Sat Sep 13	Southend (SECLC1)	won 1-0			
Sat Sep 20	BRIGHTON	won 8-1	Sat Feb 7	BRISTOL CITY	11am
Sat Sep 27	Bristol City	drew 2-2	Sat Feb 14	Brentford	
			Sat Feb 21	SOUTHAMPTON	11am
Sat Oct 4	BRENTFORD	lost 1-0	Sat Feb 28	Tottenham	
Sat Oct 11	Southampton	won 3-2			
Sat Oct 18	Arsenal (SECLC2)	won 2-0	Sat Mar 21	Colchester	
Sat Oct 25	TOTTENHAM	won 1-0	Sat Mar 28	BOURNEMOUTH	11am
Sat Nov 1	READING	11am	Sat Apr 4	WIMBLEDON	11am
Sat Nov 15	COLCHESTER	11am			
Sat Nov 22	SWINDON (SECLC3)				
Sat Nov 29	Bournemouth				
Sat Dec 6	BRISTOL ROVERS	11am			

Games in caps denote HOME matches.
Home league matches at Luton Rugby Club.

	LGE APPS	G	CUP APPS	G	YOUTH TEAM 1997/98 LEAGUE AND CUP APPEARANCES & SCORERS
Daniel TATE	10		4		
Russell LAWES	7 (1)		4		
Stuart FRASER	6	1	4		
Matthew SPRING	5	4	3		
Emerson BOYCE	6 (1)	3	2		
James AYRES	7		1		
Andre SCARLETT	10	3	3		
Clifford AKURANG	4 (1)	3	2 (1)	1	
Gary DOHERTY	2 (1)	1	1		
Richard CLARKE	10		4		
Delroy MCKOY	6 (2)		2 (1)	2	
Darren HOWE	2 (1)		1 (1)		
C DREW	(1)				
Michael MCINDOE	8 (1)	2	4		
Jimmy COX	6	5	3		
Tresor KANDOL	7 (1)	8	2 (1)		
Moses JERRY	6 (3)	3	2		
J STIRLING	4		1 (1)		
J HARRINGTON	(3)		(1)		
S ROBERT	2 (2)		1		
A MINTON	1				
C GREGORY	1				
R MORAN	1 (1)				

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

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

Anyone interested should contact Youth Development Officer Paul Lowe on (01582) 411622.

Where are they now?

BORN at Easington, Co Durham, in May 1933 Ken Hawkes played his early football for Shotton Colliery Welfare where he was spotted by the Town's scout in the north east, Dick Trembath, who invited him to Kenilworth Road.

"I had already been for trials at Wolves where the manager, Stan Cullis, had told me to go into coal mining to avoid National Service," recalled Ken.

"My trouble was that I was trying to get away from the pits! I was very impressed with the set up at Molineux where they even had their own bootmaker, but on top of that they also had over 40 professionals on their books which would have made a breakthrough difficult.

"I also had trials at both Huddersfield and Sunderland but the Luton approach came completely out of the blue. I was just on my way to the next village when I was called back from the bus stop to be told that Luton wanted me to go for a trial. I did not have a clue where Luton was."

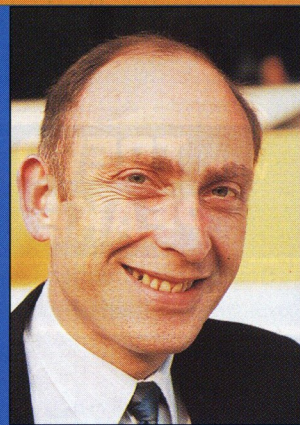
Despite the lack of geographical knowledge at the time Ken made his way to Kenilworth Road but came back almost straight away after straining a thigh muscle and being sent home by manager Dally Duncan for rest.

Returning to Luton he signed professional forms in October 1951 and began playing for the 'A' team before turning out for the reserves. National Service, which was then compulsory for all young males not in preserved occupations, caught up with him and he was posted with the Royal Artillery to Oswestry.

"I played a lot of football while on National Service and travelled to Ireland, Germany and Scotland playing for the regiment.

"It was at this time that my father died and Eddie Plumley, then Birmingham City's goalkeeper and now director at Watford, took me under his wing and I spent many a 48 hour leave with him at his home in Birmingham. We remain firm friends to this day."

On leaving the forces it was back to Kenilworth Road and a further stint in the reserves. I asked Ken whether



by **ROGER WASH**

this was soul destroying considering he was at the club over six years before making his full debut.

"Because of the large squads it was accepted then and as everyone was on a maximum wage of £14 in the winter and £12 in the summer it did not seem to matter. Having said that today's players would probably not put up with it."

Having married a Luton girl in 1956 and settled at 76 Kenilworth Road the career crossroads came the following year when Ken was placed on the transfer list, but after having talks with both Bristol Rovers and Southampton the club changed its mind and he was offered another contract.

"Luton had kept more or less the same rearguard for several years so it was difficult to break into the side. The owner of the left back shirt was Bud Aherne and he was the most cultured full back I have ever seen but he was not getting any younger and I

eventually got my chance in December 1957 in a home game against West Brom which we won 5-1.

"I kept my place for the remainder of that season and came up against some of the best right wingers in the country. Most of them I could control but I remember having real problems with Alan Finney of Sheffield Wednesday who gave me a real runaround one day.

"Seamus Dunne moved over from right back just before half time in that game to see if he could do any better but at the interval he decided to move back to his proper position!"

One of the highlights of being a Luton player around this time was the summer foreign tour and the Town seemed to travel more than most visiting Czechoslovakia, Bulgaria, Rumania, Denmark, Spain and Germany at a time when most clubs viewed a trip to Wales as a foreign adventure.

These trips were doubtless good for team morale and most players from this era have a rich fund of stories to tell with Ken no exception as he recalled the game against Spandau in front of a big crowd at the German National Stadium in Berlin. Half time came with the Town in a

comfortable lead but as the interval dragged on and on it was realised that the Germans had put out an S.O.S for new players!

By the time the 1958/59 season started Ken was established in the side and after an initial spurt which saw us top the table in September we went into freefall and by January it was wondered where the next win was coming from.

For the third round F.A.Cup tie against Leeds surgery was required and top scorer Gordon Turner was omitted along with winger Jim Adam but as the side won 5-1 it was then difficult to change a winning side.

"The run to the F.A.Cup final will obviously remain in my memory with the demolition of Leeds, Leicester and Ipswich leading up to the quarter final against Blackpool putting the fans in the Wembley spirit.

All went wrong at Blackpool in the sixth round, however, when, with the seconds ticking away, and with us leading 1-0 I was left with the ball at my feet in the area. I could have cleared it anywhere and with goalkeeper Ron Baynham expecting a back pass and Dave Pacey telling me to get rid I did neither and Ray Charnley nipped in for Blackpool.

What made it worse was that he slipped as he won the ball and his miss hit shot trickled past Ron and hit a post before just settling over the line.

"In the replay, which was played in the afternoon because Stan Matthews refused to play under our lights, it was my job to mark the 'Wizard of the Dribble' again. My task as advised to me by our inside forward Allan Brown, who had played with Stan at Blackpool, was to more or less stand on his right leg to stop him going on the outside.

"If he went on the inside he was nowhere near as effective and ended up confusing his fellow forwards who were always looking for a cross or pull back from the by-line. It got to the stage where I was almost standing on the touchline to prevent him going down my outside but the plan worked and we won through 1-0 with Allan Brown scoring the all important goal against his old club."

To be continued in Saturday's programme.



ABOVE: Ken Hawkes

5 YEARS AGO

3/11/92: We were 3-0 up and coasting at the Abbey Stadium, Cambridge, courtesy of goals from Scott Oakes and Phil Gray (2). But the home side fought back to level the score in the last 15 minutes, and would have probably gone on to win had it lasted any longer!

10 YEARS AGO

7/11/87: After the disappointment of the previous week's home defeat at the hands of Liverpool, we came back in style and saw off Newcastle at Kenilworth Road with Mark Stein (2), Emeka Nwajobi and Brian Stein the scorers in the 4-0 win.

15 YEARS AGO

6/11/82: In a tremendous game, goals from David Moss and Paul Walsh enabled us to earn a point in a 2-2 draw with Arsenal at Kenilworth Road in front of a crowd of 16,597.

20 YEARS AGO

5/11/77: A Billy Bremner inspired Hull City escaped with a point in a 1-1 draw at Kenilworth Road. Jim Husband was on target for the Town in front of a bored crowd of 8,936.



Alan White heads Luton's 87th minute winner at Brunton Park - his first league goal!

Tony Thorpe hurdles the tackle of Stephane Pounewatchy, and (inset) Matthew Spring makes a break.

David Oldfield (9) and Steve Davis (5) celebrate Alan White's winner.

White is congratulated by Paul McLaren and David Oldfield at the final whistle, after his goal had given the Hatters their first away league win of the season.



ACTION STATIONS

Carlisle United 0 Luton Town 1
(White)

Tuesday, October 21, 1997 - Nationwide League Division Two

Attendance: 4,341

Pictures by Gareth Owen



FORTHCOMING MATCHES IN
NATIONWIDE DIVISION TWO

Tuesday, November 4
Blackpool v Northampton
Brentford v Carlisle
Bristol R v Bristol City
Chesterfield v Gillingham
LUTON v Burnley
Oldham v Wigan
Plymouth v Wycombe
Southend v Watford
Walsall v Grimsby
Wrexham v Bournemouth
York v Preston

Wednesday, November 5
Millwall v Fulham

Saturday, November 8
Blackpool v Burnley
Brentford v Bristol City
Bristol R v Fulham
Chesterfield v Grimsby
LUTON v Preston
Millwall v Carlisle
Oldham v Gillingham
Plymouth v Bournemouth
Southend v Wigan
Walsall v Watford
Wrexham v Northampton
York v Wycombe

Saturday, November 15
FA Cup first round - see page 31

Tuesday, November 18
Bournemouth v Southend
Bristol City v Plymouth
Burnley v Millwall
Carlisle v Chesterfield
Fulham v York
Gillingham v Blackpool
Northampton v Brentford
Preston NE v Bristol R
Watford v Oldham
Wycombe v Wrexham

Saturday, November 22
Bournemouth v Carlisle
Blackpool v York
Bristol City v Wycombe
Fulham v Gillingham
Grimsby v Burnley
LUTON v Walsall
Millwall v Chesterfield
Northampton v Watford
Oldham v Brentford
Southend v Bristol R
Wigan v Preston
Wrexham v Plymouth

League directory promotes Nationwide family football

THE Football League have published the latest edition of their 'Directory of Family Facilities' for the 1997/98 season, designed to encourage even stronger relationships on family initiatives between clubs throughout the three divisions.

The 72 clubs in the Nationwide Football League have already shown professional football the way in recent years after designating previous campaigns as the 'Season of the Family' and 'School Year'.

The start of this season also saw the Football League launch an unprecedented nationwide offer for family supporters when clubs provided a minimum of 300 complimentary 'family tickets' for two designated home fixtures.

The vast majority of the 72 professional clubs in Divisions One, Two and Three of the Nationwide Football League have a specific area of their ground reserved solely for the use of family supporters.

During the last decade these sections have increased dramatically at redeveloped Football League stadia, representing safe and supervised enclosures for young fans to start watching first

class action.

The Football League's 40-page guide also lists each club's Family Co-ordinator contact, details the capacity and ticket arrangements for all family areas, indicates which clubs can boast a family lounge, and gives other family-related information.

The main purpose of this guide - which reveals that there are 100,000 seats dedicated to family supporters at Nationwide Football League grounds - is to help clubs organise reciprocal visits with junior supporters of the opposing club.

The visits involve a party of youngsters from a visiting club playing football with the juniors of the home club in the morning. After lunch is provided by the home side for both sets of youngsters, the fledgling fans will watch a Nationwide Football League fixture together to engender the right spirit for watching football at an early age.

If you would like to receive a complimentary copy of the Football League's 'Directory of Family Facilities' simply send a stamped, addressed A4 envelope to The Press Office, The Football League, Lytham St Annes, Lancashire, FY8 1JG.

'Nationwide six' in Coca-Cola round 4

SIX clubs remain to fly the flag for the Nationwide Football League in this season's Coca-Cola Cup following the draw for the fourth round of the competition.

First division quartet Ipswich, Middlesbrough, Oxford and Reading, are joined by our fellow Division Two sides Grimsby and Walsall who are proving to be this season's giantkillers.

Having seen off David Pleat's Sheffield Wednesday over two legs in the second round, Grimsby knocked out holders Leicester City at the third round stage, with Steve Livingstone scoring twice in their 3-1 win at Blundell Park.

Walsall beat Nottingham Forest in round two, and in round three inflicted Sheffield United's first defeat of the season with a 2-1 win at the Bescot Stadium.

Both Division Two sides have been drawn away to Premiership opposition in round four.

Grimsby will travel to Anfield to play Liverpool - the Reds having won 2-0 at Luton's conquerors West Brom. Walsall are away to West Ham, for whom John Hartson has scored five goals in the competition already.

Tuesday, November 18

Arsenal v Coventry
Derby v Newcastle
Leeds v Reading
Liverpool v Grimsby
Middlesbrough v Bolton
Oxford v Ipswich

Wednesday, November 19

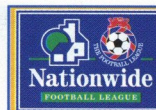
Chelsea v Southampton
West Ham v Walsall

Shield draw on November 20

THE draw for the first round of this season's Auto Windscreens Shield competition, which will also determine the 16 clubs to go straight through to the second round of the Auto Windscreens Shield, is due to be made on Virgin Radio on Thursday, November 20.

Auto Windscreens have confirmed their fourth year of sponsorship of the competition for second and third division clubs. The current format, in operation for the second successive season, incorporates a northern and southern section, with the first round now played on an instant knockout basis - rather than the round-robin format of previous years.

The first round sees 32 clubs competing, with the remaining 16 clubs receiving a bye into the second round. The second round, area quarter-final, and area semi-final sections follow, with the area finals once again played over two legs on a home and away basis. The competition final is at Wembley on Sunday, April 19, 1998.



Division 2 Stats

the 97/98 season

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how teams have scored

see key below	Hd	CR	Ob	V	FK	P	Ib	OG	mins into match	0-15	16-30	31-45	46-60	61-75	76-90
Bournemouth	4	1	0	5	1	1	4	0							
Blackpool	5	4	3	6	0	1	4	0							
Brentford	2	2	2	2	0	2	7	0							
Bristol City	6	3	0	2	1	4	4	1							
Bristol Rovers	4	1	2	0	1	2	9	0							
Burnley	4	5	1	1	0	1	2	0							
Carlisle	4	3	3	1	0	3	5	0							
Chesterfield	5	4	1	1	0	2	3	0							
Fulham	3	3	1	0	0	0	4	3							
Gillingham	3	1	2	0	0	3	12	0							
Grimsby	2	4	1	3	0	4	3	0							
Luton	5	1	1	0	0	0	7	0							
Millwall	5	3	3	0	1	0	8	1							
Northampton	3	1	1	2	0	3	7	0							
Oldham	5	5	1	5	0	0	7	0							
Plymouth	5	2	4	2	0	0	2	0							
Preston	3	1	2	2	1	0	4	1							
Southend	1	2	4	2	0	0	5	1							
Walsall	5	1	1	4	0	1	6	0							
Watford	5	1	5	2	0	2	12	0							
Wigan	7	4	3	1	0	2	5	0							
Wrexham	5	2	2	1	0	2	9	0							
Wycombe	3	3	3	4	0	2	9	0							
York	1	1	7	1	1	0	10	0							

when teams have scored

mins into match	0-15	16-30	31-45	46-60	61-75	76-90
Bournemouth	1	2	2	1	5	5
Blackpool	2	2	4	4	3	8
Brentford	4	1	2	3	2	5
Bristol City	3	4	4	3	4	3
Bristol Rovers	2	5	2	5	2	3
Burnley	3	2	0	3	4	2
Carlisle	3	2	3	3	1	7
Chesterfield	3	0	4	3	1	5
Fulham	2	1	3	4	2	2
Gillingham	1	0	4	5	3	8
Grimsby	3	3	1	2	5	3
Luton	0	1	3	4	3	3
Millwall	1	2	2	4	7	5
Northampton	3	2	4	5	2	1
Oldham	3	4	3	5	4	4
Plymouth	2	1	6	2	3	1
Preston	0	2	2	3	5	2
Southend	4	7	2	0	1	1
Walsall	1	5	2	1	2	7
Watford	5	3	4	3	8	4
Wigan	2	4	2	2	6	6
Wrexham	3	3	3	3	6	3
Wycombe	7	2	3	4	7	1
York	2	1	2	3	6	7

.. and how conceded

Hd	CR	Ob	V	FK	P	Ib	OG
Bournemouth	1	3	1	0	0	2	4
Blackpool	8	5	2	0	0	2	10
Brentford	3	6	5	2	0	0	5
Bristol City	2	2	1	2	0	0	4
Bristol Rovers	4	1	1	2	0	2	8
Burnley	6	1	3	1	1	1	4
Carlisle	7	5	4	4	2	2	5
Chesterfield	4	3	2	4	0	1	1
Fulham	8	3	1	0	0	0	3
Gillingham	1	2	3	1	0	2	9
Grimsby	2	4	1	2	0	0	7
Luton	1	1	2	3	0	3	11
Millwall	3	0	4	1	0	1	5
Northampton	0	3	0	2	0	0	5
Oldham	5	3	2	3	0	3	4
Plymouth	3	1	4	3	0	3	7
Preston	2	2	2	1	0	1	4
Southend	4	2	2	5	2	1	12
Walsall	3	4	3	0	0	1	11
Watford	3	1	1	1	0	1	4
Wigan	6	1	2	2	0	5	7
Wrexham	3	0	3	5	1	2	5
Wycombe	10	3	3	1	0	1	5
York	6	2	1	2	0	1	8

Hd=Header CR=Shot inside 6 yards Ob=Shot outside area V=Volley FK=Direct Free Kick P=Penalty Ib=Shot inside area OG=Own Goal

Current Form Table

Index in the table below reflects the league position of the opposition in the 6 games, ie the higher the position, the higher the index.

	W	D	L	F	A	Pts	Indx	Sequence
Bristol City	5	1	0	9	2	16	62%	WWWDWWW
Watford	5	0	1	13	3	15	56%	WWWLWW
Gillingham	4	0	2	11	7	12	58%	LWWLWW
York	3	2	1	11	8	11	39%	DWDLWW
Luton	3	2	1	9	7	11	45%	DWDDWL
Millwall	3	2	1	7	5	11	79%	WLDDWW
Burnley	2	4	0	11	8	10	35%	WDDDDW
Grimsby	3	1	2	10	7	10	65%	WLDDWW
Bournemouth	2	4	0	6	4	10	59%	DDDDWW
Wycombe	2	2	2	9	8	8	42%	DLWWDL
Fulham	2	2	2	7	7	8	75%	DDLWW
Wrexham	2	2	2	6	7	8	32%	DWDDLL
Blackpool	2	1	3	9	10	7	67%	LWDDLL
Walsall	2	1	3	9	10	7	36%	LDLWW
Oldham	2	1	3	7	7	7	55%	LDWWLL
Bristol Rovers	2	1	3	6	9	7	59%	DLWLLW
Northampton	1	4	1	5	5	7	53%	DDDDWL
Wigan	1	3	2	8	11	6	59%	DDLDWL
Preston	2	0	4	5	6	6	36%	LLLWLW
Chesterfield	1	2	3	6	9	5	48%	DWLLLD
Southend	1	2	3	6	13	5	43%	LDLWLD
Brentford	1	1	4	7	10	4	54%	DLLWLL
Plymouth	1	1	4	6	11	4	30%	WLDLLL
Carlisle	0	1	5	7	15	1	28%	DLLLLL

players used includes those who have left the club

	Plys	goals	goals	clean	low	high
	used	for	agt	sheets	pos.	pos.
Bournemouth	18	16	12	6	14	1
Blackpool	20	23	27	3	22	6
Brentford	25	17	22	5	24	11
Bristol City	22	21	12	7	19	2
Bristol Rovers	22	19	18	5	12	3
Burnley	27	14	17	4	24	20
Carlisle	24	19	29	1	24	14
Chesterfield	23	16	15	6	14	2
Fulham	25	14	15	5	18	5
Gillingham	23	21	18	4	15	3
Grimsby	21	17	16	5	23	11
Luton	29	14	21	5	23	12
Millwall	24	21	14	5	16	2
Northampton	21	17	10	7	23	2
Oldham	24	23	21	4	13	3
Plymouth	20	15	22	2	24	13
Preston	20	14	12	6	16	3
Southend	25	15	29	3	21	9
Walsall	22	18	23	4	22	14
Watford	22	27	11	6	7	1
Wigan	23	22	23	1	18	1
Wrexham	21	21	19	4	21	11
Wycombe	18	24	23	4	17	3
York	22	21	20	2	23	6

Campaign Records

Highest/Lowest Gates

13,812 Watford v York 27-Sep

2,039 Wrexham v Southend 21-Oct

Highest Aggregate Scores

Oldham 4-4 Bristol Rovers 27-Sep

Biggest Home Win

Grimsby 5-1 Southend 1-Nov

Biggest Away Win

Luton 0-4 Watford 4-Oct

Consecutive Wins

Northampton 4

Games Unbeaten

Northampton 9

Consecutive Defeats

Carlisle 5

Games without a Win

Burnley 10

Current Sequences

Consecutive Wins

Watford 3

Games Unbeaten

Bournemouth, Bristol City, Burnley 6

Consecutive Defeats

Preston 3

Games without a Win

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At our last home game against Brentford, we were delighted to welcome a party from the MILTON KEYNES & DISTRICT MULTIPLE SCLEROSIS BRANCH.

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COMMERCIAL NEWS



with **KATHY LEATHER**

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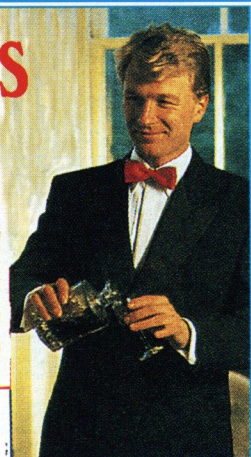
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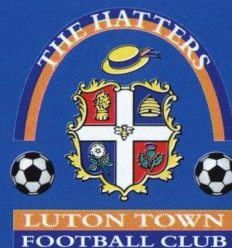
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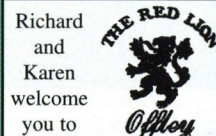
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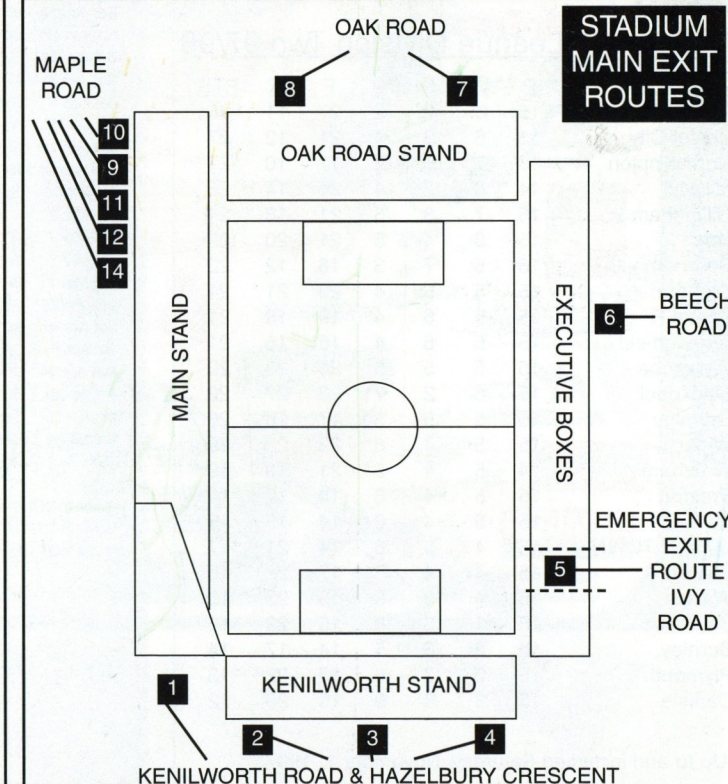
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- Ensure the dispersal of the crowd from the area to allow the emergency services to carry out their tasks.

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Team Check



Luton Town **V** Burnley

Kelvin DAVIS	1	Marlon BERESFORD
Julian JAMES	2	Chris BRASS
Bryan SMALL	3	Chris VINNICOMBE
Gary WADDOCK	4	Gordon COWANS
Steve DAVIS	5	Lee HOWEY
Marvin JOHNSON	6	Neil MOORE
Phil GRAY	7	Chris WADDLE
Paul McLAREN	8	Michael WILLIAMS
David OLDFIELD	9	Gerry CREANEY
Tony THORPE	10	Paul BARNES
Graham ALEXANDER	11	Paul WELLER

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Today's referee is
BARRY KNIGHT
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R.J. Beeby



4th official: N.R. Hitch

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