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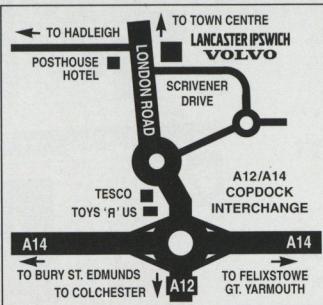
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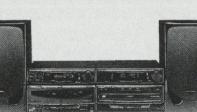


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# from the Manager

**Good afternoon everybody and welcome back to Portman Road for our Worthington Cup Second Round, first leg match against Luton Town.**

Those of you who were at Oxford on Saturday will have seen Manuel Thetis make his first appearance for the Club.

Following an injury to Tony Mowbray's kicking muscle in our match against Bradford last Tuesday, there was always going to be a chance that Manuel would be in the starting line-up at the Manor Ground - and so it proved.

Despite the fact that his international clearance hadn't appeared from Spain by the time we left for Oxford on Friday lunchtime we decided to take Manuel with us on the trip and, sure enough, his papers arrived from Seville, his previous club, in the nick of time, allowing him to play for Ipswich.

I felt he did very well for us and his presence will only add to the strength in depth we are trying to create here at Portman Road.

At only £50,000 his transfer represents good business for us and I feel sure that we have signed a player with excellent potential.

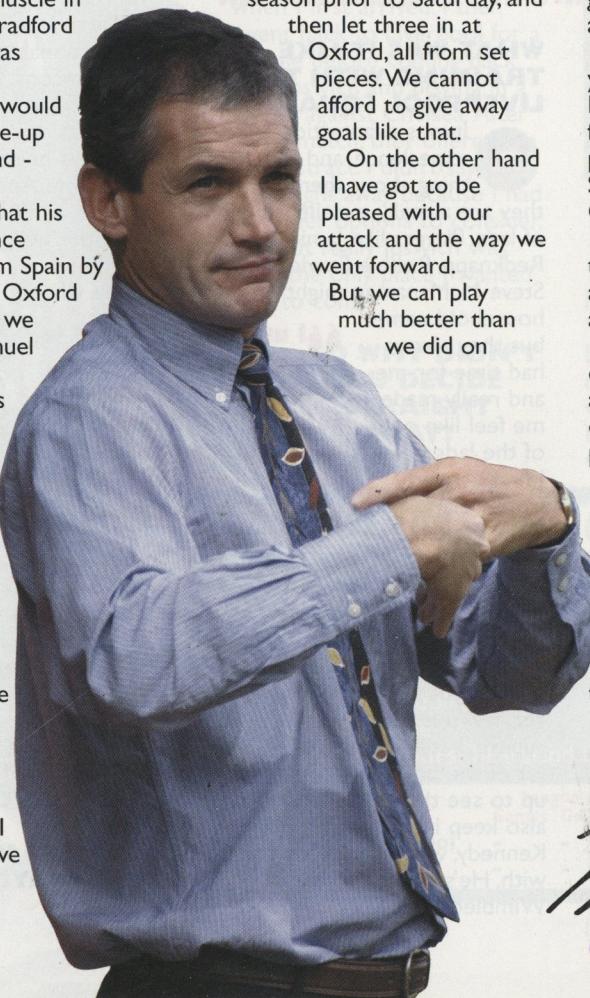
I was disappointed with the end result of our game on Saturday, especially after Kieron Dyer had put us ahead with just four minutes left.

But we never got our passing game going properly at the Manor Ground and it was disappointing to drop two points so late in the game.

We had conceded only two goals in the League so far this season prior to Saturday, and then let three in at Oxford, all from set pieces. We cannot afford to give away goals like that.

On the other hand I have got to be pleased with our attack and the way we went forward.

But we can play much better than we did on



Saturday, there is no doubt about that.

Prior to that match we played host to Bradford City here last Tuesday when we enjoyed a splendid 3-0 victory against Paul Jewell's side.

It was good to record our first home League win, and it was nice for James Scowcroft to get two goals. James has come back into the side looking very sharp and he worked hard for his chances on Tuesday.

David Johnson also played well and was unfortunate not to score. These two are both first-class strikers and are 22-year-olds with great ability and promising futures ahead of them.

Away from Ipswich, two of our young players, Kieron Dyer and Richard Wright, won further caps for the England U21 side recently, playing well in the side which beat Sweden 2-0 in their European Championship qualifier.

Jason Cundy had a scan on his troublesome ankle injury last week and was due to see a specialist again this morning.

His ankle hasn't healed as quickly as we would have hoped and maybe an exploratory operation will help to reveal the problem. It could be a flaking bone or something along those lines.

Looking forward to this evening's game, I am expecting a tough challenge from Lennie Lawrence's side, who have started the season in fine form and will be looking forward to trying to put one over on a club from a higher division.

Enjoy the game.



# The spotlight is on... Sean Friars

**Sean Friars was mixing with the likes of Michael Owen and Jamie Redknapp at Liverpool last season. Now, after his free transfer move in the summer, he's set his sights on following them into the big time - with Ipswich. The Matchday Programme caught up with the young Irish striker to find out how he's enjoying life at Portman Road...**

#### **MP: HOW ARE YOU SETTLING IN THE AREA?**

It's great. I'm really enjoying it. I like the area and everyone has made me feel very welcome. There is a great bunch of lads at the Club and a brilliant atmosphere within the squad. Everyone has made me feel right at home.

#### **WAS IT A DIFFICULT DECISION TO LEAVE LIVERPOOL?**

Not that difficult in the end, no. It's a fantastic club, obviously, and I loved every minute of my time there, but ultimately I had to do what was right for my career and that meant leaving. You need to feel that you're going forward and making progress, not just standing still, and that seemed to be what was happening with me. I was going away with the Northern Ireland squad last season for World Cup qualifiers and then returning to Anfield and struggling even to get a game for the reserves. After a while that starts to get you down and you have to make the decision to move on.

#### **WHAT WAS IT LIKE TRAINING WITH THE LIVERPOOL SQUAD?**

It was a fantastic experience, and the great thing about them is that they are a really excellent bunch of lads. Players like Jamie Redknapp, Robbie Fowler and Steve McManaman might be household names but they always had time for me and really made me feel like one of the lads when I first arrived from Ireland.

They looked after me in my early days at the club. I used to go home to Ireland and people were always asking me whether I got nervous training with the likes of Redknapp and Fowler, but there was nothing to get nervous about. They were all superb. I still keep in touch with a lot of the boys up there and I get up to see them whenever I can. I also keep in touch with Mark Kennedy, who I got really friendly with. He's moved down to Wimbledon now.

#### **AND THEN THERE'S MICHAEL OWEN. HE'S A BIT SPECIAL, ISN'T HE?**

I played a lot of games with Michael and he is a fantastic player, a phenomenal goalscorer. I got on really well with him. In my first year as a professional he was still a second year YTS lad but his progress since then has been incredible. And despite all the pressure he's been under lately, what

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with the World Cup and everything, he's still so down to earth. He's a really nice fella and he's going to be an absolute legend in a few years' time.

#### **AND PRESUMABLY YOU DON'T REGRET YOUR TIME AT ANFIELD IN ANY WAY?**

Oh no, not at all. It was a fantastic education and I learned my trade there. The coaching staff are all fantastic and I learned lessons there that I will take with me right through my career. It was a tremendous grounding and gave me an excellent start in the game.

#### **SO WHAT MADE YOU CHOOSE IPSWICH WHEN YOU FINALLY DECIDED TO LEAVE LIVERPOOL?**

Well, I'd come down for a trial last season and played a couple of reserve games and, just like at Liverpool, I was made to feel really welcome when I first arrived. I then went back to Liverpool for a while before coming back to Ipswich and playing in a game against Chelsea. After that match, they offered me a contract. I didn't say yes straight away because I had other options to consider, but really Ipswich was the only place I wanted to come.

#### **SO WHY DIDN'T YOU DECIDE STRAIGHT AWAY?**



I felt I owed it to the other clubs involved to at least talk to them. I did have offers to go to a couple of 'bigger' clubs, similar in size to Liverpool, but I felt I might find myself in the same position as I was in at Anfield. I knew that Ipswich had an excellent

#### **Friars Fact File**

**Place of Birth:** Derry, Northern Ireland

**Date of Birth:** 15th May 1979

**Age:** 19

**Height:** 5ft 8in **Weight:** 10st 7lb

**Previous club(s):** Liverpool

**Signed from:** Liverpool

**Club Honours:** None

**International Honours:** N. Ireland U21 caps



Era	Club	League Games	Goals	Fee	Date Signed
95/96 - 97/98	Liverpool	-	-	From Juniors	July 1995
98/99	Ipswich	-	-	Free	06.07.98

# How Deep is Your Love?



You reckon you're a real fan do you? None of this "sing when you're winning" stuff, but a true fan whose three passions in life are football, football and football!

A sports psychologist has helped Worthington devise a 'fan fitness test' to help you work out whether or not you're a 'worthy' follower.

Just answer these questions - honestly - and see how you get on:

1. Your closest mate's asked you to be best man but... the day of the wedding clashes with the biggest game of the season. What do you do?
  - a Bin the wedding - nothing comes between you and your footie.
  - b Accept, on condition the wedding is held in the centre circle before kick-off.
  - c Go along with the wedding - one of the Bridesmaid's a bit tasty.
2. You meet the person of your dreams and things are going well until you find out they support the dreaded local rivals. What future does the relationship have?
  - a None - you find it hard enough to share oxygen with that bunch let alone a bed.
  - b There's a glimmer of hope as long as you agree never to meet or speak on Saturdays.
  - c A rosy one - each to their own. With careful nurturing they could always come round to your way of thinking.
3. Your Mother-in-law has invited you round for dinner. You'd planned a night out with your mates at the Worthington Cup clash. You'd previously cancelled last minute, so how do you get out of this one?
  - a Bin the dinner - she's a crap cook anyway.
  - b Suggest she joins you for dinner after the game - she'd love a kebab and a pint.
  - c Miss the game - you won't get your leg over for a month otherwise.
4. A letter arrives for your partner confirming their attendance as a contestant on their favourite TV game show. The date clashes with a crucial Worthington Cup tie. Do you:
  - a Hide the letter and deny ever receiving it.
  - b Go to the game and the following morning run into the bedroom with the letter in your hand claiming it has arrived that day.
  - c Give her the letter and go along to the filming of the show to give her support from the audience.
5. Match of the Day is going to start in 10 minutes. Your partner's feeling very amorous though. Do you:
  - a Think no problem! You can be done in 5 minutes.
  - b Decide to wait until the half-time analysis and hope the presenters are as long-winded as usual.
  - c Who really wants footie on a night like that?

## Mostly a's

You are one of the worthiest of footie fans, a great supporter that lets nothing come between you and your footie. Your year does indeed start in August and ends in May.

## Mostly b's

You're getting there, but are willing to compromise occasionally. You still have a bit of work to do before you can be deemed a super fan.

## Mostly c's

You can take it or leave it really, can't you? I'm afraid the words 'part-time supporter' really spring to mind here.



### THE RECENT GAME AGAINST MALTA WHICH WAS CALLED OFF BECAUSE OF THE OMAGH BOMB. WERE YOU ACTUALLY IN IRELAND WHEN THAT ALL HAPPENED?

I arrived at 5.30pm on the afternoon that the bomb had gone off. As soon as I met up with my dad he told me the game would be off because of what had happened in Omagh. Of course it was, and I fully understand and agree with that decision. Looking at the football, I actually felt more sorry

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for my dad than for me, because really that is the only chance he gets to see me play these days. He comes over to England as often as he can, but obviously it's more difficult for him to get to Ipswich than it was to Liverpool. Mind you, I still get plenty of

requests for tickets from various members of the family every time I'm playing!

### WHAT ARE YOUR GOALS FOR THIS SEASON... HAVE YOU SET YOURSELF ANY MAJOR TARGETS?

I would love to help the Northern Ireland Under-21 squad to reach the finals of the UEFA Under-21 Championship. That would be a fantastic achievement. As for my main aim at Ipswich, I would just like to force myself into the first-team squad. It would be great to do enough to get in before the end of the season and play a few First Division games. And, of course, I would dearly love the team to get promotion to the Premiership.

### AND SET UP A TRIP TO LIVERPOOL NEXT SEASON....

Now that would be fantastic. Yeah, to go back to Anfield with Ipswich would be brilliant. And to score the winning goal, that really would be a dream come true. Only time will tell.

## The Liverpool Connection

Sean Friars is the first player to transfer between Ipswich and Liverpool for several years - but he follows in the footsteps of a couple of Portman Road legends.

Back in August 1976 the 'original' David Johnson - or 'Johnty' as he was known - left Town for Anfield. Liverpool-born, Johnson had begun with Everton and spent nearly four years at Ipswich after transferring south from

Goodison in October 1972. He won nine England caps in total (3 with Ipswich) and helped Liverpool during their 1970 glory years.

The other Ipswich-Liverpool connection is, of course, John Wark (pictured), who spent the best part of four seasons at Anfield during the mid-1980s.

Warky helped the Reds to European domestic glory before returning to Ipswich in 1987/88.



**IS THERE A SIMILAR KIND OF 'FAMILY ATMOSPHERE' AMONG THE SQUAD AT IPSWICH AS THERE IS AT LIVERPOOL?**

Very much so, yeah. As I said, everyone made me feel right at home straight away and the young players at the Club really get on well, just as we did at Liverpool. There are a lot of lads around my age at the Club and that's great because we get together in the afternoons. If it wasn't for that I would be going back to an empty flat and just sitting around waiting for my girlfriend to come home from work. And anyone would soon get fed up with that.

**YOU WERE IN THE NORTHERN IRELAND UNDER-21 SQUAD FOR**

# That was the year that was

# 1953-54

**Spike Milligan introduced the listening public to his zany humour, Burt Lancaster rolled in the surf with Deborah Kerr and Frankie Laine had more number ones than the Spice Girls and Oasis combined. Meanwhile, Town were picking up some silverware...**

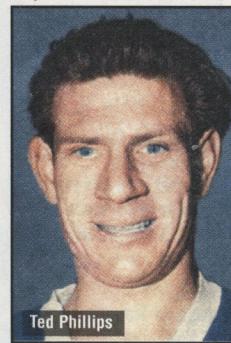
## Town take title triumph

In only their ninth full season in the Football League, Ipswich Town picked up their first major honour by pipping Brighton to the Third Division (South) title, as well as progressing to the Fifth Round of the FA Cup for the first time.

After a disappointing 1952/53 campaign, manager Scott Duncan added three important close season signings to his squad - and promptly reaped the rewards as his new-look side began the new term with four straight victories in a run that saw them defeated only twice between the opening day and December 25th.

Billy Reed, George McLuckie and Alex Crowe were the players who made the big difference in a team whose combined cost was just a mere £8,000.

The trio starred for Town as Blues went on to top the division by three points from Brighton



## The Headline Makers

### Goons Boom

The Goons Show, starring Harry Secombe, Spike Milligan and Peter Sellars, becomes a cult hit on the radio, with millions tuning into their madcap antics every week.

### England Blitzed

Hungary destroy England at Wembley, with Ferenc Puskas the architect of the home side's amazing 6-3 defeat. It's

### FILM STARS

The Box Office smashes in 1953/54 were:

**ON THE WATERFRONT**  
Starring Marlon Brando, Eve Marie Saint, Karl Malden and Lee J. Cobb.

**20,000 LEAGUES UNDER THE SEA**  
Underwater fun and games with Kirk Douglas and James Mason.

**THE DAM BUSTERS**  
Michael Redgrave and Richard Todd teach those Germans a lesson or two in the water!

**GENEVIEVE**  
Old cars and tram lines galore with Diahn Sheridan and Kenneth More. What a classic - and not just the car!

**FROM HERE TO ETERNITY**  
Plenty of beach capers from Burt Lancaster, Deborah Kerr and the legend, Frank Sinatra

**ROMAN HOLIDAY**  
It's all about going to Rome on holiday, apparently! Audrey Hepburn and Gregory Peck star.



## THE STAR MAN

### BILLY REED

It was a close run thing in such a glorious season, but Billy Reed takes the vote as Town's key man during the promotion campaign.

Signed, ironically enough, from Brighton during the close season, Reed was a lively winger who notched an impressive 13 goals from the flank and also set up countless chances for the likes of Tom Garneys and captain Tommy Parker with his pinpoint crossing.

Generally considered to be among the best outside rights in the country, Reed's signing was a masterstroke by manager Scott Duncan and helped transform Ipswich from a team who finished 16th the previous season into a title winning side.

The first player ever to win a Full international cap while on Ipswich's books, Billy made two appearances for Wales before moving on to Swansea Town in February 1958.

## THE BIG MATCHES

27th April 1954

Third Division (South)  
**Newport Co 1 Ipswich 2**

Town all but secured the divisional Championship with this shaky win over a Newport side which had not lost at home since early November.

Only massive victories for second-placed Brighton in their two remaining fixtures - plus a heavy defeat for Town - could result in the title being wrenched away from Blues.

It was the Welshmen who took the lead, after just five minutes, when Saward beat Jack Parry from close range.

But slowly Town found their touch and they drew level after 30 minutes when William Callaghan scored. The Ipswich fans were made to wait until eight minutes from time before Tom Garneys headed home a cross from Billy Reed.

And even the Newport fans streamed onto the pitch at the final whistle to congratulate the jubilant Ipswich players.

## HOW THEY FINISHED

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Ipswich	46	27	10	9	82	51	64
Brighton	46	26	9	11	86	61	61
Bristol City	46	25	6	15	88	66	56
Watford	46	21	10	15	85	69	52
Northampton	46	20	11	15	82	55	51
Southampton	46	22	7	17	76	63	51
Norwich	46	20	11	15	73	66	51
Reading	46	20	9	17	86	73	49
Exeter	46	20	8	18	68	58	48
Gillingham	46	19	10	17	61	66	48
L.Orient	46	18	11	17	79	73	47
Millwall	46	19	9	18	74	77	47
Torquay	46	17	12	17	81	88	46
Coventry	46	18	9	19	61	56	45
Newport	46	19	6	21	61	81	44
Southend	46	18	7	21	69	71	43
Aldershot	46	17	9	20	74	86	43
QPR	46	16	10	20	60	68	42
Bournemouth*	46	16	8	22	67	70	40
Swindon*	46	15	10	21	67	70	40
Shrewsbury	46	14	12	20	65	76	40
C.Palace	46	14	12	20	60	66	40
Colchester	46	10	10	26	50	78	30
Walsall	46	9	8	29	40	87	26

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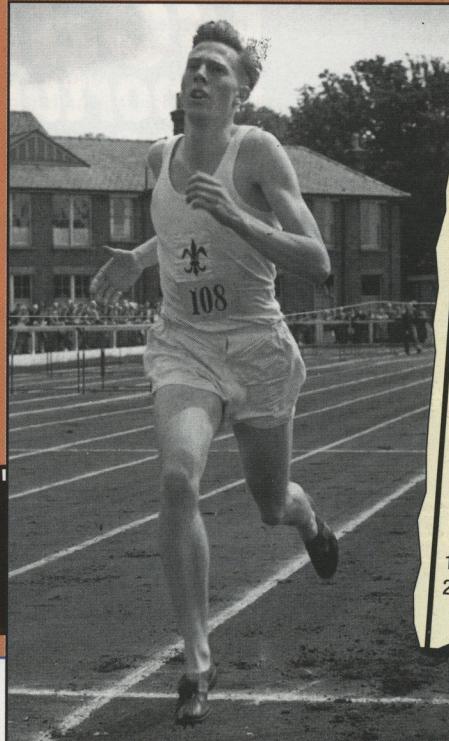
## In the cups

FA Cup: Fifth Round (lost to Preston NE 6-1)

## TOP OF THE CHARTS

Frankie Laine was bringing home the royalties by the sackload in 1953/54, as were:

1. I Believe .....Frankie Laine
2. Theme From The Moulin Rouge .....Mantovani
3. Limelight Theme .Frank Chacksfield
4. Look At That Girl .....Guy Mitchell
5. Where The Wind BlowsFrankie Laine
6. Hey Joe .....Frankie Laine
7. Answer Me .....Dave Whitfield
8. Answer Me .....Frankie Laine
9. Swedish Rhapsody .....Mantovani
10. Poppa Piccolino .....Diane Decker
11. Let's Have A Party ..Winifred Attwell
12. Oh Mein Papa .....Eddie Calvert
13. Blowing Wild .....Frankie Laine
14. Cloud Lucky Seven .....Guy Mitchell
15. That's Amore .....Dean Martin
16. See The Moon.....The Stargazers
17. Tennessee Wig Walk .....Bonnie Lou
18. The Happy Wanderer .....Obernkirchen Children's Choir
19. Secret Love .....Doris Day
20. Such A Night .....Johnnie Ray



## Rock On Billy

Former Country and Western singer Bill Haley is the latest chart sensation, with his rhythm and blues dance beat 'We're Gonna Rock Around the Clock' storming up the hit parade.

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# CUP OF FEAR

Tonight sees the Second Round of the newly-named Worthington Cup get underway and the draw has produced some fascinating clashes. Here we look at six of the best...

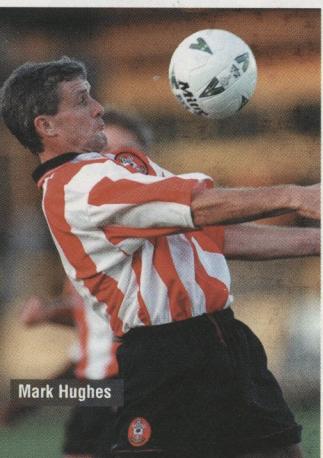
## BRENTFORD v TOTTENHAM

Just what managerless Spurs needed - an extremely difficult London derby against a side three divisions below them who have started the season like a house on fire. Talk about being on a hiding to nothing. There were some eyebrows raised when former Crystal Palace chairman Ron Noades bought Brentford and installed himself as manager but, so far at least, the bold move is paying off. Noades was named Third Division Manager of the Month for August as his side stormed into the top two and they will really fancy their chances of causing a major upset. Striker Kevin Rapley has been banging in the goals and he will be the major threat to Sol Campbell and Co.



## FULHAM v SOUTHAMPTON

Another potential upset, although the way Saints have started the season this might not come as a huge shock should Fulham emerge victorious. The big-spending Londoners are riding high in the Second Division, while Dave Jones' side are stuck in the Premiership basement. Even though he brought in class players like Mark Hughes, David Howells and Stuart Ripley in the summer,



the Southampton boss has been unable to find the winning formula in the early weeks of the season. And he also found himself on the wrong end of the fans' fury after dropping their hero, Matt Le Tissier. All in all, not the ideal preparation for a game like this, and former Southampton striker Kevin Keegan, now Fulham boss of course, will be relishing the chance to put one over on his old club. And with players like Peter Beardsley and John Salako in his line-up, The Cottagers have the class to do just that.



## THE OTHER TIES BEING PLAYED IN THE WORTHINGTON CUP SECOND ROUND ARE:

Bournemouth v Wolves  
Blackpool v Tranmere  
Brentford v Tottenham  
Bristol City v Crewe  
Bury v C.Palace  
Sheff Wed v Cambridge  
Sunderland v Chester  
Leicester v Chesterfield  
Fulham v Southampton  
Sheff Utd v Grimsby  
Halifax v Bradford  
Huddersfield v Everton  
Bolton v Hull  
L.Orient v Nottm Forest  
Macclesfield v Birmingham  
Derby v Man City  
Northampton v West Ham  
Portsmouth v Wimbledon  
QPR v Charlton  
Barnsley v Reading  
Coventry v Southend  
Norwich v Wigan  
Middlesbrough v Wycombe



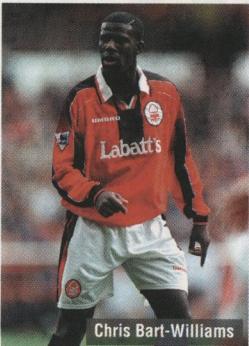
## HUDDERSFIELD v EVERTON

New Everton boss Walter Smith has immediately found himself under pressure at the start of the season. There is no question of his job being in danger but the former Rangers boss knows he has to start getting results soon. Goals have been their big problem and, despite investing heavily in midfield stars John Collins and Olivier Dacourt in the summer, Smith has been unable to get the right supply going for centre-forward Duncan Ferguson. That is not a problem Huddersfield have been having, with Wayne Allison and Marcus Stewart forming a highly effective striking partnership. They have been causing First Division defences all sorts of problems and are unlikely to be concerned at the prospect of taking on David Unsworth and his defensive colleagues.



## LEYTON ORIENT v NOTTINGHAM FOREST

Forest boss Dave Bassett won't need warning of the potential dangers in ties like this having managed Wimbledon, the game's perennial party-poopers, for many years. The Dons revelled in upsetting the big boys, and now Bassett finds himself in danger of being on the receiving end of a similar upset. However, his side have defied the critics who predicted a season of doom at the City Ground - particularly after the disappearing act of Pierre Van Hooijdonk - and have started their Premiership campaign in style. Steve Stone has been in great form, and former O's star Chris Bart-Williams - who began his career at Brisbane Road - will be keen to impress on his return. Orient have proved though, under manager Tommy Taylor, that they are a capable side and, in strikers Craig Maskell and Alex Inglethorpe, they have the cutting edge to cause Forest's defence problems.



Chris Bart-Williams

## NORTHAMPTON v WEST HAM

Former Town midfielder Ian Atkins has built a fine side at the Sixfields Stadium and, but for defeat in the Play-off Final against Grimsby last season, would have led them from the Third Division to the First in just two years. That form suggests they have the ability to cause a few problems



for The Hammers. Certainly former Cambridge striker Carlo Corazzin knows where the goal is, and goalkeeper Andy Woodman is highly-rated. Hammers will rely on strike duo, Ian Wright and John Hartson, to see them



through. The two played together at Arsenal and manager Harry Redknapp wasted no time in pairing them up again when Wright quit The Gunners for Upton Park in the summer.

## SHEFF WED v SCAMBIDGE

Wednesday have had a mixed start to the season under new manager Danny Wilson, although they clearly have the players to be a threat to any side. Goalkeeper Kevin Pressman has been on the fringes of the England squad for several seasons, while strikers Paolo Di Canio and Andy Booth have, between them, the guile and power to upset any defence.



However, getting it all to come together on a given day is Wednesday's problems and their inconsistency is their biggest let-down. Roy McFarland's side will be hoping they meet the Hillsborough club on a bad night and, if they do, centre-forward Martin Butler could be the man to take advantage as Cambridge's player-coach David Preece plots victory over

Wilson, two men who played together in Luton's surprise League Cup triumph over Arsenal at Wembley 10 years ago.



## JUST SHOCKING

Four League Cup upsets from last season

### HULL 2 CRYSTAL PALACE 2 (Hull win on away goals) Second Round

Premiership Palace were given a taste of the season to come as they crashed to Third Division Hull. The Tigers won the first-leg at home 1-0, through a Julian Darby goal, and then took the lead at Selhurst Park with an Ian Wright strike. That left Palace fighting an uphill battle and, although they struck back with goals from Carl Vear and George Ndah to win the second leg 2-1, Hull hung on to go through on the away goals rule.

### WALSALL 3 NOTTM FOREST 2 Second Round

Forest were already flying in the First Division when they met Walsall but they were stunned when The Saddlers won 1-0 at the City Ground in the first-leg, thanks to a second half goal from Justin Skinner. A goal from Pierre Van Hooijdonk at the

Bescot Stadium forced the tie into extra-time and, when Craig Armstrong put Forest ahead just a minute into the added period, it looked as though the visitors would sneak through. But Andy Watson scored twice in the last seven minutes to seal a famous Walsall win.

### GRIMSBY 3 LEICESTER 1 Third Round

Holders Leicester must have thought they were heading for the Fourth Round when old Town favourite Ian Marshall gave them an early lead at Blundell Park, but they were rocked by a stunning ten-minute blitz midway through the second-half when Grimsby scored three times, one from Kevin Jobling and two from Steve Livingstone, to send Martin O'Neill's side out of the Cup.

### IPSWICH TOWN 2 MAN UNITED 0 Third Round

A great night at Portman Road as the mighty Reds were humbled. United fans will claim they fielded a weakened side but there were still nine internationals among the 13 players they used. However, stars like Scholes, Cole and McClair couldn't stop Town marching into the Fourth Round with brilliant first-half goals from Alex Mathie and Mauricio Taricco.





# Players shoot for the cars

Car manufacturers Mazda have put up some fantastic prizes in a bid to increase the number of goals scored throughout the Nationwide League this season. For Town's David Johnson it could mean the opportunity to have two spanking new Mazda MX-5's sitting in his driveway come May...

Sunderland, Manchester City, Peterborough, Halifax's Geoff Horsfield and Town's own David Johnson are among the many clubs and players chasing a number of top goalscoring awards put forward by Mazda.



Garneys and Hill Chairman Les Nunn is pictured presenting Town's Football in the Community Officer David Brooks with the keys to his new Mazda 323

Mazda, the official cars of the Football League, are offering an MX-5 sports car to any Nationwide League player who scores 30 goals by Christmas Day as part of their 'Mazda Marksman' initiative. In addition, the company have also put up an MX-5 for any player reaching 45 goals by the final day of the season.

Their vehicles look fairly safe, though, as the last player to achieve that feat in the League was Peterborough's Terry Bly - back in 1960/61, when he netted an amazing 52 times in Posh's Division Four campaign. The closest anyone has come in recent years was Guy

Whittingham who scored an impressive 42 in the First Division for Portsmouth in 1992/93.

Halifax's Geoff Horsfield heads the goalscoring pile so far, with six goals prior to the weekend's matches. David Johnson - who proved his qualities with a whopping 30 goals to his credit last season, must stand as good a chance as anyone of reaching the target.

But it's not all about individual players - clubs are included in the prize stakes too. Mazda are also running a 'Centenary Goal Challenge', where a trophy plus £5000 - to be donated to a charity of the winning manager's choice - will be donated to the League club which records the most goals in each month of the campaign until April.

Sunderland and Man City both got off to flying starts in the early

Local Mazda dealers Garneys and Hill put on their tenth 'Mazda Challenge' during the school summer holidays, offering loads of exciting and challenging events for 8-14 year-olds, as well as the chance to win a first prize of a lightweight, folding Mountain Bike.

The Mazda Challenges took place at Gainsborough Sports and Community Centre, Whitton Sports and Community Centre, Maidenhead Sports Centre and Northgate Sports Centre in August, with the Grand Final held at the Northgate Sports Centre on Sunday 30th August.

Now Garneys and Hill are supporting Town's Football in the Community Officer David Brooks with a car sponsorship.



David Johnson with his new MX-5 and Garneys and Hill Managing Director Mike Adams

Garneys & Hill

weeks of the season, but it is Peterborough who have recorded the biggest victory so far, with their 9-1 battering of Barnet.

For both awards, goals scored in the Nationwide League, the Worthington Cup and the FA Cup will count towards the totals.

Richard Scudamore, Chief Executive of the Football League welcomed Mazda's initiatives, saying: "This is great news for the fans - an added incentive for the players and teams to score even more goals. It is also a chance for top goalscorers in the League to drive away a great sports car."

For striker David Johnson, the Mazda offer could see him as the proud owner of a pair of MX-5s.

Johnson is already the proud owner of a gleaming gold Mazda MX-5, presented to him by local Mazda dealers Garneys and Hill just prior to the new season.

# Next at Portman Road Bristol City

Saturday 19th September, kick-off 3.00pm

Not content with two home games inside a week, Town are back in action at Portman Road again on Saturday, when John Ward's newly promoted Bristol City are our visitors. It's sure to be another cracking game, so don't miss it.

Behind Graham Taylor's Watford, Bristol City were the best side in last season's Second Division by a country mile. The Robins finished in second place in the final table, three points behind Watford and a whopping 13 ahead of third placed team Grimsby Town.

rocked the transfer market this summer, with two million pound buys making their way west to Ashton Gate.

City's main weakness last season was an occasional lack of bite in front of goal and, with the departure of top scorer and Bermudan international Shaun Goater to Manchester City in March of this year, that problem looked likely to be brought into even sharper focus in the Nationwide's flagship division.

So it was that in July the Robins completed their first ever £1m purchase, tempting the former Norwich City striker Ade Akinbiyi to Ashton Gate from Gillingham's Priestfield

Stadium, where he had been busy earning himself a big reputation in the lower divisions.

Just a few days later, as if to prove their determination not to rest on their laurels, the chequebook was out again.

This time it was Tony

Thorpe, the ex-Luton Town striker who had been deemed surplus to requirements at moneybags Fulham after just six months at Craven Cottage, who was on his way to the west country, with another cheque for £1m making its way out of City's bank account.

But, with a share issue pumping



Bristol City celebrate their promotion to the First Division

In a near perfect campaign by John Ward's impressive looking side, promotion back to the First Division was clinched comfortably after a gap of three seasons - and this time City aim to stay at the higher level.

Never among the game's biggest spenders, City quietly

## BRISTOL CITY'S FORM LAST SEASON

Player of the Year: Shaun Taylor  
Top Scorer: Shaun Goater  
Ever-present: No-one

Final League Position: 2nd (in Div 2)  
FA Cup: Second Round (lost to Bournemouth)  
Coca-Cola Cup: Second Round (lost to Leeds)

**Bigest Home Win**  
4-1 v Millwall, Grimsby;  
3-0 v Wigan, Luton

**Haviest Home Defeat**  
0-2 v Gillingham, Fulham

**Bigest Away Win**  
4-1 v Brentford;  
3-0 v Carlisle, Wigan

**Heaviest Away Defeat**  
0-2 v Gillingham, Plymouth

**Results v ITFC: Did not play**

around £3m into City's coffers, plus the £400,000 from Goater's sale, the club have found themselves in the unusual position of having some money to spend, and Ward has taken full advantage, dipping into the pot once again to fund the signing of Danish international striker Soren Andersen (7 caps).

But, in terms of points on the table, it has all been to little avail so far. While looking a tidy and competitive outfit, the Robins have yet to set the League alight back at the higher level.

There have been several draws so far, and they remain impressive away from home - recording a draw at Sunderland last week - but that all-important opening victory has remained elusive, with Ward saying: "I am disappointed. We've got to show much more mental and physical strength." To that end he has taken the Aalborg defender or midfielder Clemens Zwijsenbergh on a ten-day trial to add some steel.

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# Fan Fare

## Portman Plus and the Supporters' Club

Most of you will be aware that with the launch of Portman Plus, when you join you automatically become a member of the Ipswich Town F.C. Supporters' Club which means that you receive our much praised magazine, *Straight From The Horse's Mouth* on a regular basis during the season.

Indeed, you should have received the first issue recently. As one of our members you are

also entitled to attend meetings and social functions.

We are aware, however, that there may be some of you who do not wish to join Portman Plus but would like to be associated with the club's official supporters and receive copies of *Straight From The Horse's Mouth*. It is possible to join just the Supporters' Club for a fee of £5.00. Application forms are available from the Development Association Office at Portman Road.

## Straight From The Horse's Mouth

For those of you who have joined Portman Plus or the Supporters' Club this season, you should by now have received your first magazine of the new season.

Packed with articles, we hope you have found this a good read. This edition sees an interview with Jason Cundy, another in the thrilling series of 'They Scored Against Norwich', our view of a perfect season (perhaps!) and a guide to the changes that have occurred to the Supporters' Club in recent months.

If you are not a member of Portman Plus or the Supporters' Club, why not! You are definitely missing out on a great deal here, not to mention our magazine! However, the magazine is now available to non-members from the Development Office for £1.00, and we are sure you will find it a great read. Go on, give it a go!

The magazine is written by the supporters for the supporters. So, if you have any subjects which you wish us to investigate and write about, tell us! We try to keep up with the feelings within the fans, but sometimes we may miss things, so tell us about them.

Are there any players you really want to know more about but haven't seen an interview with? We are happy to consider any ideas you have, but you have to tell us about them.

The three contributors to the magazine (Holly Grove, Sean Salter and Paul Voller) are always available on a match day at the Development Office. We will be having our pictures in a future programme (you have been warned!) so that you can come and talk to us if you see us around the ground. Or if you prefer, send us a letter c/o the Development Office if you wish any subject to be raised with the Supporters' Club or to the Club via the Supporters' Club. We are here to help.

Supporters' news with  
Holly Grove, Sean Salter &  
Paul Voller

## Come On Down

Thursday, September 24th sees another fantastic quiz night arranged by the Supporters' Club. This time, if you aren't already aware, the event is to be held at the Kelsale Community Centre near Saxmundham. The quiz starts at 8pm, although we recommend those attending arrive at around 7.30 so that they can get a drink and take their places for the main event.

As usual, the quiz will be contested between three groups of four people. The teams will be drawn from supporters who are members of nearby branches, journalists and players. This is your once in a lifetime chance to see the likes of Dave Allard, Mel Henderson, Terry Baxter and Donovan Blake in the flesh.

These quizzes have now been running for a couple of years and are extremely popular. All those attending have thoroughly enjoyed themselves. So, what are we charging for such a marvellous event? Nothing. Absolutely nothing. What better, and cheaper, way can you think of spending a dull Thursday night?

So, if you are interested in coming along to support this ever increasingly popular event, please contact any member of the Management Committee of the Supporters' Club at the Development Office on Portman Road before tonight's game.

For those of you who know who we all are, you can ask us about tickets at any time! Failing this, please call Bev Jarman on 01449 765453 or 01449 672063. Hurry though, tickets are going quicker than hot cakes!

# Community Centre

The Football in the Community team is: David Brooks, Bridget Gooding, Sandra Lucas and Sean Thacker

## COMMUNITY COACHING CENTRES

The Ipswich Town FC Community Coaching Centres are kicking off their new seasons.

There are now 12 Centres in the region where boys and girls from the age of six years can learn new skills and have fun.

If you missed out on the recruitment nights or would like to attend a Centre, look at the timetable below to find your nearest venue.

### COMMUNITY COACHING CENTRES TIMETABLE

Day	Venue	Time	Ages	Day	Venue	Time	Ages
Monday	Thurston	5.00-6.00	6/7/8	Thursday	Stowmarket	3.45-4.45	6/7/8
		6.00-7.00	9/10			4.45-5.45	9/10
Monday	Halesworth	4.30-5.30	6/7/8/9	Thursday	Ipswich	5.00-6.00	Invitation only
		5.30-6.30	10/11/12	Thursday	Bottisham	5.00-6.00	6/7/8
Monday	Holbrook	5.00-6.00	6/7/8			6.00-7.00	8/9
		6.00-7.00	9/10	Friday	Claydon	6.00-7.00	6/7/8/9
Monday	Ipswich	5.00-6.00	8/9	Friday	Ipswich	5.00-6.00	5/6
Wednesday	Botesdale	5.00-6.00	6/7/8			6.00-7.00	6/7/8
		6.00-7.00	9/10			7.00-8.00	10/11
Wednesday	Melbourn	4.00-5.00	6/7/8/9			7.00-8.00	Invitation only
		5.00-6.00	10/11/12	Friday	Bury St Edm'ds	5.30-6.30	6/7/8/9
Wednesday	Stanton	5.00-6.00	6/7/8			6.30-7.30	10/11/12
		6.00-7.00	9/10	Friday	Bottisham	5.00-6.00	10/11
Thursday	Woodbridge	4.30-5.30	6/7/8			6.00-7.00	10/11
		5.30-6.30	9/10	Saturday	Ipswich	7.00-8.00	12/13
						9.30-11.30	Invitation only

We are also looking to restart the centres in Mildenhall and Newmarket with recruitment night and start dates announced soon, watch this space!

Another brand new centre will begin in Lowestoft in early October, to be held at Kirkley High School.

For more information on any of the Centres please contact the Community Office. Telephone number 01473 400512/400513

## Brand New Exciting Matchday Clubs at Portman Road

Join in all the fun and games with Bluey and Bazza. Together with your favourite Town friends you could...

### Be A Soccer Star

(Saturday Soccer Club)

Arrive Portman Road • Coaching session and games in the gym • McDonald's lunch • Club Shop visit • Pre-match entertainment • Watch big match at 3pm (Ref: M1)

### Be A Movie Idol

(Virgin Multiplex)

Arrive Virgin Multiplex for Morning

Kids' Club Film • McDonald's lunch at Portman Road • Pre-match entertainment in gym • Watch big match at 3pm (Ref: M2)

### Be a Lazer King

(Totally Brilliant Play Co.)

Arrive Totally Brilliant Play Co. • Exciting fun and games • Lunch • Transfer by bus to Portman Road • Pre-match entertainment in gym • Watch big match at 3pm (Ref: M3)

All clubs cost £14.00 per head, or £12.50 if you are a Blues Crew member (price includes match ticket).

For more information ring David, Sandra or Bridget on: (01473) 400512 or 400513.



## Academy News

with Simon Milton



Former Blues midfielder and Matchday Programme columnist Simon Milton brings you his regular update of events at the new FA Academy. And this week he has a good luck message for one unfortunate Town player...

### Unlucky Kevin

Our lads played their first Under-19 game of the season at Blackburn ten days back but the match was marred by a serious injury to Kevin Inglis in the first minute of the game.

The 17-year-old midfielder broke his left leg in two places and now faces six weeks in plaster, then many more weeks rehabilitation with the physio right through to Christmas and beyond.

It's a big blow to Kevin and everyone connected with the



Kevin (second from left in front) and the lads on their way to Blackburn

team and he is going back to Scotland to be with his family. That's the best place for him now, because the months ahead will be frustrating for him and having his friends and family around will be of great comfort.

Unfortunately injuries are part and parcel of a footballer's life, although it is upsetting when a young lad like Kevin gets a bad one so early in his career, especially as he has already suffered with a nasty ankle problem as well.

But as well as being a promising young midfielder, he has a terrific attitude and a big heart. Those attributes will help him through the important next few months.

It's a setback for the lad but everyone at the Club is convinced that he will bounce back next year. I know he will.

Good luck, Kevin.

### Busy Boys

Six of the Academy teams were in action at the weekend, taking on Wimbledon.

Four of our sides were at home and the other two travelled to London, so it made it a busy Sunday for everyone.

Organising transport, sorting out referees, making sure the kit is all where it should be and supplying food for the lads is all part of the Academy's responsibility.

Under the guidance of Ken Goody, we pick the players up and take care of them from morning to night, nothing is too much trouble...no really, it isn't!

In fact it's so good I wonder if I could just sneak into the Under-16 team. A bit of pampering for Milts wouldn't go amiss for once!

Would you be interested in helping out Ipswich Town Football Club, and maybe meeting some of the stars of the future?

Well now you can do just that. The Academy is looking for people who can put up Associated Schoolboy players between the ages of 16 and 19 years-old.

We need cover for people who do weekend and holiday periods, plus people who are willing to take boys on permanently, throughout the season.

It's a valuable and rewarding job, with many of the boys spending an extended period away from home for the first time in their lives and needing a family environment.

If you fit the bill, or you would like further information, please ring Helen Broughton or John Allpress (01473) 400500.

### Tonight's Mascots

Name:

Andrew Scott

Age: 12

From: Felixstowe

School:

Deben High

Favourite Player:

Mauricio Taricco

Hobbies: Football, swimming



Name:

Craig Thompson

Age: 12

From: Stowmarket

School:

Bacton Middle

Favourite Player:

Richard Wright

Hobbies: Scouts, hockey



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# from the Chairman

**The issue that has dominated the news recently has been the takeover of Manchester United by Murdoch's BSkyB. Below appears the article that I wrote for Saturday's Daily Telegraph, spelling out the implications and reasons why I believe that this should be resisted until proper regulatory controls are introduced.**

The proposed takeover of Manchester United by BSkyB highlights the great importance for the FA Premiership winning the case that the Office of Fair Trading is bringing against them in the Restrictive Practices Court early next year.

The OFT case essentially concerns the question of whether the Premiership may sell its broadcasting rights collectively on behalf of its members (i.e. the existing Sky TV contract) or whether it is acting as a cartel against the public interest and that therefore such TV rights should be sold individually by Clubs.

The Premier League and all those who have been members are vigorously defending their right to sell collectively but it is ironic that the OFT should be pursuing a deal supposedly for the public

good when actually their success would be to the detriment of the game and its supporters. It is certainly preferable to retain plenty of terrestrial coverage but at least the current Sky contract ensures reasonably equitable distribution of monies amongst the top twenty Clubs.

For the majority of Premier League Clubs, successfully defending the OFT case provides the last chance of retaining the concept of a level playing field. This is vital for all supporters of the game who understand that wider prosperity amongst a greater number of Clubs is needed to provide meaningful

competition and equally vital for the Nationwide Football League for whom it cannot be allowed that they are cut adrift to satisfy the financial avarice of our most famous club in England.



David Sheepshanks

This takeover can in my view only result in the widening of the gap between the richest and the rest and for this primary reason it must be resisted with the strongest possible force as being potentially anti-competitive and against the public interest.

It is a fallacy to suggest, as some have, that what is good for Manchester United is necessarily good for our game in this country.

Of course we want our best clubs to flourish but not at the expense of their breeding ground. The strength of our game now and in the future will come from the strongest possible professional competition and this requires a level playing field amongst the Premiership, with a profitable and vibrant Football League structure to both underpin and feed into it.

BSkyB have backed both horses: if the Premiership win the case then they have a seat at the Premier League table with all the difficulties of conflicts of interest then to be

confronted (*how could the Premiership openly consider their options for future TV arrangements with Sky at the table?*). If the OFT win their case then not only do BSkyB own our biggest Club but the door is open for other TV companies (e.g. Carlton with Arsenal) to conclude individual deals with a handful of our elite at the expense of all the rest.

The consequences for our game would be huge, with half-a-dozen wealthy giants and the rest of us scrapping for the crumbs under the rich men's table.

And where do the customers come in all this? We are in danger of seeing no further than the broadcasters as the final customer - but of course they are not the end user.

How long will the supporters put up with it? Many Manchester United supporters have shown they can see further than the end of their noses and their pockets unlike the Directors of their beloved Club. They know that, although the riches may be good for the Club today, tomorrow they are in danger of being priced out and bored out, left to watch a less meaningful Euro Super League without the passion or empathy either on the pitch or in the Boardroom (*what are we to make of the secret meetings already between Murdoch and the Berlusconi brigade?*).

The game is enjoying unparalleled popularity but our players and our clubs have overtaken the administration. This must now be addressed with strong governance and the adoption of firm standards and regulatory controls.

The majority of Premiership Clubs face being left behind as, of course, do the Football League. It is a little known fact that 50,000 more people attend the 72 Nationwide Football League Clubs in their matches every weekend than see the Premiership games.

It is a huge number of customers who care and who can only be ignored at peril.

Some of us may feel uncomfortable trying to reconcile what is good for the game with living in a free market culture. There is no bigger free market economy than in the United States, where they are fiercely competitive in sport and in business but by the same token must satisfy the most stringent regulatory bodies particularly in the event of takeovers: far more draconian than here in the UK.

The philosophy being that a 'free market' can only thrive with adequate 'consumer protection'.

We have a free market economy here in football, but we lack controls to protect us from ourselves, hence the advent of the Task Force and the growing political lobby that action must be taken.

The game is enjoying unparalleled popularity but our players and our clubs have overtaken the administration. This must now be addressed with strong governance and the adoption of firm standards and regulatory controls.

So where does this all leave us? It is entirely logical that media companies should want to invest in highly profitable leisure/entertainment enterprises like top football clubs. Why should we stop them? In the long, even medium, term perhaps we should not resist but indeed encourage it... but, only after we have properly set the ground rules that provide for competition on the widest sensible basis... in the public interest. I believe that until those ground rules have been set all such media takeovers should go on hold.

In American Football, the NFL TV contract provides the equivalent of a flat £40m to EACH of their 30 Clubs.

Ignoring the amount (which from a Football League perspective at Ipswich is hard!!) the point is the level playing field and the culture is about equal opportunity for all.

Every Club has a chance and they compete like mad in packed stadia to a variety of TV audiences. A template for our Premiership perhaps?

**Keeping the shareholders happy before or without the customers - that was surely never how it was intended.**

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Tuesday 22nd September, 7.45pm

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### New date for Wolves match

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### Fantasy Success

Long-term Town fan Claire Barker, from Westhorpe near Stowmarket, has won the 'Manager of the Month' award for August in the Daily Telegraph's Fantasy Football competition.

Pipping hundreds of thousands of other would-be Wengers and budding Burleys to the title, Mrs Barker built her team around the talents of Michael Owen - well, you would, wouldn't you.

Let's hope that her early season success - and her hopeful team name of 'Ipswich Going Up' - are a sign of things to come for the 'real' Town side.

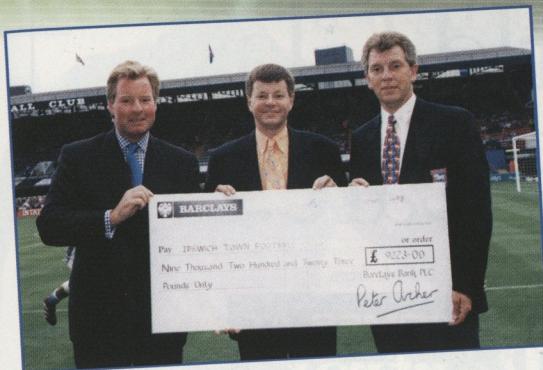


### Blues on canvas

Loyal Town Gabrielle Charlton has taken her support of the boys in Blue to new lengths - by painting a superb oil painting of the Ipswich squad. Gabrielle and her husband are pictured at Portman Road with the painting.

### BUYING

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## Ipswich v Norwich

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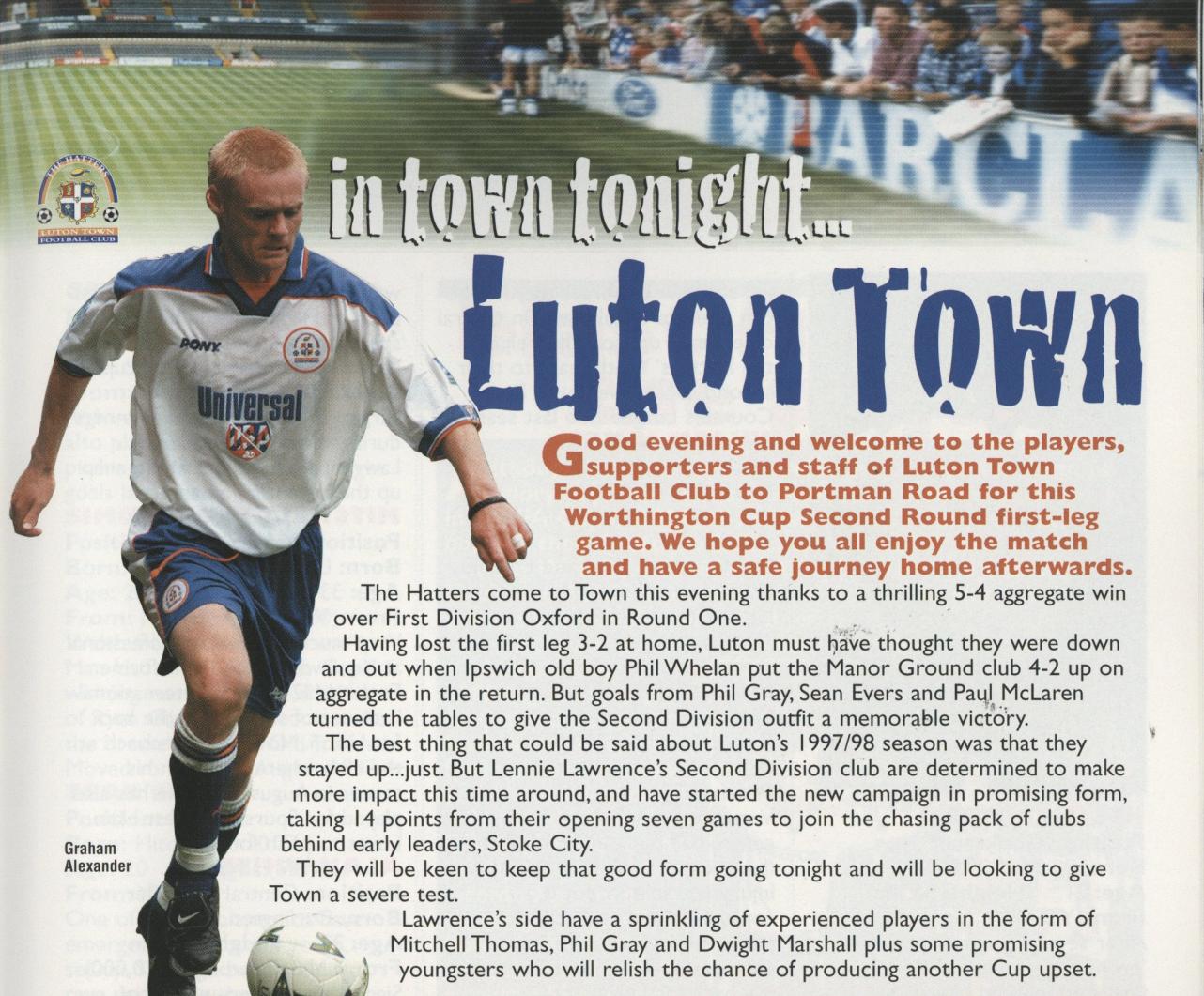


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**Good evening and welcome to the players, supporters and staff of Luton Town Football Club to Portman Road for this Worthington Cup Second Round first-leg game. We hope you all enjoy the match and have a safe journey home afterwards.**

The Hatters come to Town this evening thanks to a thrilling 5-4 aggregate win over First Division Oxford in Round One. Having lost the first leg 3-2 at home, Luton must have thought they were down and out when Ipswich old boy Phil Whelan put the Manor Ground club 4-2 up on aggregate in the return. But goals from Phil Gray, Sean Evers and Paul McLaren turned the tables to give the Second Division outfit a memorable victory.

The best thing that could be said about Luton's 1997/98 season was that they stayed up...just. But Lennie Lawrence's Second Division club are determined to make more impact this time around, and have started the new campaign in promising form, taking 14 points from their opening seven games to join the chasing pack of clubs behind early leaders, Stoke City.

They will be keen to keep that good form going tonight and will be looking to give Town a severe test.

Lawrence's side have a sprinkling of experienced players in the form of Mitchell Thomas, Phil Gray and Dwight Marshall plus some promising youngsters who will relish the chance of producing another Cup upset.

## The Manager



## Lennie Lawrence

**I**f you were wrapped up in chains and sinking to the bottom of the ocean without a key to the padlock, then Harry Houdini would be the ideal man to call to get you out of the fix you were in.

Staring relegation in the face by December 1995, Luton Town called on football's equivalent when they appointed Lennie Lawrence in succession to former Ipswich player and coach Terry Westley in the Kenilworth Road hot-seat.

Lawrence earned a great reputation for his escape acts while he was manager at Charlton during the 1980s and early 1990s, and his experience of developing young talent and getting results on a shoestring budget was second to none.

A non-League player with Croydon, Carshalton and Sutton Utd, Lawrence's coaching career began

as assistant at Plymouth and then Lincoln, before he landed the Reserve team coach's job at Charlton, moving up to manager in 1982.

He took The Addicks into the top flight and kept them there for four years before leaving in 1991 to take control at Middlesbrough, who he also led into the top division before suffering relegation the following year and being replaced by Bryan Robson.

After 18 months managing Bradford City, Lawrence decided to return south - but it was too late to prevent the Hatters crashing out of the First Division in 1995/96.

After two years consolidation in Division Two - including a Play-Off Semi-Final defeat by Crewe in 1996/97 - he will be hoping to lead his team back to the Nationwide's top division this season.



# meet the players...



Stuart Douglas

## KELVIN DAVIS

**Position:** Goalkeeper  
**Born:** Bedford, 29.09.76  
**Age:** 21 **Height:** 6ft 1in  
**From:** YTS

After several seasons spent as a 'promising youngster', Kelvin finally established himself as Luton's number one last season. An England U21 international.

## STEVE DAVIS

**Position:** Central Defender  
**Born:** Hexham, 30.10.68  
**Age:** 29 **Height:** 6ft 2in  
**From:** Burnley (£750,000)

The Players' Player of the Year and once again Luton's most consistent performer last season, Steve was captain at Burnley before moving to Kenilworth Road in July 1995 for a tribunal set fee. Strong in the air, he is a big threat when moving forward at set-pieces.

## GARY DOHERTY

**Position:** Central Defender  
**Born:** Donegal, 31.01.80  
**Age:** 18 **Height:** 6ft 2in  
**From:** YTS

Already capped at Youth level by the Republic of Ireland, Gary is now figuring in Mick McCarthy's

full squad. A big, brave player who can operate equally well in central defence or up front, he helped the Hatters' Youth team to their second successive South East Counties League title last season.

## JULIAN JAMES

**Position:** Right-back  
**Born:** Tring, 22.03.70  
**Age:** 28 **Height:** 5ft 10in  
**From:** YTS

Loyal one club man and England U21 international who broke his leg in a match at Bristol Rovers in April and is expected to be out of action for at least another month.

## MARVIN JOHNSON

**Position:** Defender  
**Born:** Wembley, 29.10.68  
**Age:** 29 **Height:** 6ft  
**From:** YTS

Versatile player who is happiest at centre-half but can fill in on the flanks or in midfield. Suffered with injury last season, but is a committed and enthusiastic performer who forms a good partnership with Steve Davis at the back for Luton.

## GAVIN McGOWAN

**Position:** Full-back  
**Born:** Blackheath, 16.01.76  
**Age:** 22 **Height:** 5ft 8in  
**From:** Arsenal (Free)  
 A member of Arsenal's 1994 FA Youth Cup winning side, Gavin

was unable to break into the first-team at Highbury and had two spells on loan with Luton last season - the first ending abruptly when a calf injury required surgery. Released by the Gunners during the summer, Lennie Lawrence moved quickly to snap up this promising youngster.

## MITCHELL THOMAS

**Position:** Left-back  
**Born:** Luton, 02.10.64  
**Age:** 33 **Height:** 6ft 2in  
**From:** West Ham (Free)

Very much the senior professional at Kenilworth Road, this former England U21 and 'B' international is tower of strength at the back for Luton. Now a player-coach at the club where he began his career in August 1982 he has also played for Spurs and West Ham. Loves to push forward.

## ALAN WHITE

**Position:** Central Defender  
**Born:** Darlington, 22.03.76  
**Age:** 22 **Height:** 6ft 1in  
**From:** Middlesbrough (£40,000)  
 Signed after a two-week trial period from one of Lennie Lawrence's old clubs, Alan is a consistent and reliable central defender whose signing in September 1997 looks like a bargain in these days of inflated transfer prices.

## Club File...

**Ground:** Kenilworth Road  
**Nickname:** The Hatters  
**Colours:** White shirts with blue shoulder bar, blue shorts with white trim, blue socks with orange and white trim  
**Change Colours:** Orange shirts and shorts with blue sides and white trims, yellow socks  
**Honours:** Div Two Champions 1981/82; Div Four Champions 1967/68; Division Three (South) Champions 1936/37; League

Cup winners 1988, runners-up 1989; Simod Cup runners-up 1988; FA Cup runners-up 1959  
**Record buy:** Lars Elstrup (from Odense, Denmark, Aug 1989) £850,000  
**Record sale:** John Hartson (to Arsenal, Jan 1995) £2.5million  
**Last Season**  
**League:** 17th (Div Two)  
**FA Cup:** First Round  
**League Cup:** Second Round

## GRAHAM ALEXANDER

**Position:** Midfield  
**Born:** Coventry, 10.10.71  
**Age:** 5ft 10in **Height:** 5ft 10in  
**From:** Scunthorpe (£100,000)  
 Right-sided midfielder who can also play at full-back. Happiest pushing forward, he scored eight goals last season.

## SIMON DAVIES

**Position:** Midfield  
**Born:** Winsford, 23.04.74  
**Age:** 24 **Height:** 6ft  
**From:** Man Utd (£150,000)  
 Welsh international who was in Man Utd's 1992 FA Youth Cup winning team alongside the likes of Ryan Giggs, but failed to make the breakthrough at Old Trafford. Moved to Luton in August 1997.

## SEAN EVER

**Position:** Midfield  
**Born:** Hitchin, 10.10.77  
**Age:** 20 **Height:** 5ft 9in  
**From:** YTS  
 One of several players to have emerged from Luton's youth set-up, Sean has been winning rave reviews in the Hatters' midfield this season for his tenacious displays in the middle of the park. He was called up to the Republic of Ireland's U21 squad last season.

## RAY MCKINNON

**Position:** Midfield  
**Born:** Dundee, 05.08.70  
**Age:** 28 **Height:** 5ft 8in  
**From:** Dundee Utd (Free)  
 Former Scotland U21 international who moved to Luton at the beginning of the current campaign for a second attempt at establishing himself in the English game. Began with Dundee United before a £750,000 transfer to Nottingham Forest in 1992. Failed to make an impact at the City Ground, however, and returned to Scotland with Aberdeen before returning to Dundee United again in 1996.

## blast from the past

**A**lthough it might not feel like it at the moment, Luton's glory days were not that long ago. Aside from a victory in the FA Cup in 1959, it was in the 1980s that the Hatters enjoyed their finest moments.

Led by David Pleat, Luton were Champions of the old Second Division in 1981/82 and then took the top flight by storm, staying among the game's elite for several years.

In that time they won the League Cup in 1988 (right) - beating Arsenal in a memorable Final - and reached the Final again the following year. Heady days indeed.

Perhaps the most famous ex-Hatter of all is Joe Payne, who nabbed a record 10-goal haul in a match against Bristol Rovers in April 1936 - going on to score an incredible 55 goals that season.

In more recent years, the club have boasted a number of players who have gone on to great things, including Steve Foster, Mick Harford and West Ham and Wales striker John Hartson.

Foster, in particular, was a Kenilworth hero, leading the club to many of their finest moments during two happy spells in Bedfordshire.

There is also a substantial Ipswich connection between the clubs. Former coach Terry Westley was on Town's books as a youngster, drifting out of the pro game and playing with Bury St. Edmunds and Diss before returning to Portman Road in 1988 to run the ITFC School of Excellence.

Upon his appointment as manager in July 1995, Westley promptly brought in his ex-Town boss Mick McGiven as number two, and snapped up Gavin Johnson and Bulgarian striker Bontcho Guentchev (left) from Portman Road.

## The Hatters

# Stat Attack

## Luton's League Results so far this season...

Aug 08	WYCOMBE	(a)	W1-0	S.Davis (36)
Aug 15	PRESTON	(h)	D1-1	Marshall (53)
Aug 22	READING	(a)	L0-3	
Aug 29	COLCHESTER	(h)	W2-0	Douglas (61), S.Davis (82)
Aug 31	WIGAN	(a)	W3-1	S.Davis (42), Evers (76), Gray (80)
Sept 05	BURNLEY	(h)	W1-0	Douglas (47)
Sep 08	WREXHAM	(a)	D1-1	McKinnon (35)

## Luton's Leading League Scorers 1998/99

Steve Davis	(3) ⚪️
Stuart Douglas	(2) ⚪️
Dwight Marshall	(1) ⚪️
Sean Evers	(1) ⚪️
Phil Gray, Ray McKinnon	(1) ⚪️

### THE TIMES THEY SCORED...

00-15.....0	46-60.....2
16-30.....0	61-75.....1
31-45.....3	76-90.....3

## PAUL McLAREN

**Position:** Midfield  
**Born:** High Wycombe, 17.11.76  
**Age:** 21 **Height:** 6ft 1in

**From:** YTS

A regular feature in the Luton midfield last season with his surging runs, ball-winning skills and good crossing ability. Has already found the net this season, in the First Round of the Worthington Cup at Oxford.

## PAUL SHOWLER

**Position:** Midfield/wing  
**Born:** Doncaster, 10.10.66  
**Age:** 31 **Height:** 5ft 7in

**From:** Bradford (£50,000)  
Followed manager Lennie

Lawrence from Valley Parade in August 1996. A left-sided midfielder, he struggled with injury throughout 1997/98, making just one 16 minute appearance as a substitute.

## MATTHEW SPRING

**Position:** Midfield  
**Born:** Harlow, 17.11.79  
**Age:** 18 **Height:** 5ft 11in

**From:** YTS

A highly-competitive midfielder who was a driving force in the Luton side which reached the Semi-Final of the FA Youth Cup in 1997. Voted 'Young Player of the Year' last season.

## HERVE BACQUE

**Position:** Forward  
**Born:** Bordeaux, Fra, 13.07.76  
**Age:** 22

**From:** Monaco, France  
Signed just a week before the

new season kicked-off. Began with Brittany club Lorient, before moving to Monaco at 21.

## STUART DOUGLAS

**Position:** Forward  
**Born:** Enfield, 09.04.78

**Age:** 20 **Height:** 5ft 9in  
**From:** YTS

Having made a scoring debut as a 17-year-old, Stuart looked set for a regular place in the side last season, only to be struck down by the Kenilworth Road injury jinx.

## ANDREW FOTIADIS

**Position:** Forward  
**Born:** Hitchin, 06.09.77

**Age:** 21 **Height:** 5ft 11in  
**From:** YTS

Local boy who came up through the ranks at Kenilworth Road and has won England Schools caps. Stayed at school to complete his 'A' levels before taking up football full-time. Another injury victim.

## LIAM GEORGE

**Position:** Forward  
**Born:** Luton, 02.02.79

**Age:** 19 **Height:** 5ft 9in  
**From:** YTS

Quick and skilful player who scored the vital penalty in the Republic of Ireland's European Youth Championship Final shoot-out in the summer. A broken bone in his foot in the August Bank Holiday game v Wigan means he will miss tonight's game.

## PHIL GRAY

**Position:** Forward  
**Born:** Belfast, 02.10.68

**Age:** 29 **Height:** 5ft 10in

**From:** Fortuna Sittard, Holland (£400,000)

Highly-experienced Northern Ireland international who is now in his second spell with the club. Began at Spurs but failed to make much of an impression and joined the Hatters for the first time in August 1991. Moved on to Sunderland and then Nancy in France, before joining Fortuna Sittard from where he transferred back to Luton in September 1997.

## DWIGHT MARSHALL

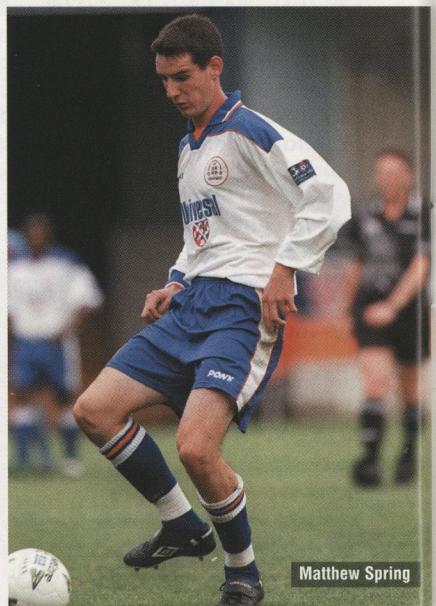
**Position:** Forward

**Born:** Jamaica, 03.10.65

**Age:** 32 **Height:** 5ft 7in  
**From:** Plymouth (£150,000)

A latecomer to pro football - he didn't join Plymouth until he was 24 - injury caused Dwight to miss out on the chance of World Cup glory with Jamaica in the summer. Another long-term injury victim.

**Other squad members include:** Nathan Abbey (goalkeeper), Stuart Fraser (defender).



Matthew Spring

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# Matt chat

**Matt pays tribute to  
the boys at the back**

## Case for the defence

It was good to see the goals go in again in the victory over Bradford. The performance was competent, nothing spectacular, but we did the job. And our defence certainly did their's.

The boys at the back have been excellent since the start of the season with five clean sheets in six League games before the Oxford match at the weekend.

Tony Mowbray and Mark Venus have both played at the top level in the English game so when they talk, you listen!

And they are always talking throughout a game which is great for us midfielders. If we are in a situation where we can't see what is going on behind us, you can rest assured that either Mark or Moggie will let us know.

Communication is now a big part of the game and it's important to have good talkers in your side, especially at the back. But as a unit we have defended well anyway and now the goals are going in at the other end, hopefully we can start our climb up the table.

## Cup upset!

League Cup football has never been too kind to me. In my years with Bournemouth I hardly ever got past the First Round.

And when we did, we ended up in the headlines after a few problems involving the police.

We beat Luton, ironically, in a Coca-Cola Cup-tie back in 1995 and went on to play Watford in the Second Round. We drew 1-1 at their place and it was the same score at ours.

The game went to penalties. We had to take the kicks at the end where their supporters were

based and I managed to knock one in. But Watford sneaked it 6-5 in the end.

Their fans came running on to the pitch and the police tried their best to keep everything in order but one of them got in to trouble for connecting with what he thought was one of the fans. It turned out to be a Kevin Phillips who hadn't played in the game and came on to the pitch to celebrate with his team-mates.

I haven't got a good record in penalty shoot-outs in the League Cup either. Last season, I'm sure you'll remember, we went out to Chelsea in the Quarter-Finals in the same fashion.

Before a Cup match, we might practice taking kicks in training but to be honest, you can't recreate the atmosphere and tension that accompanies a penalty shoot-out in a game.

I didn't take one of the kicks against Chelsea last season. The boss asked for five volunteers and those were the lads who took the kicks but I wouldn't say no if I was asked.

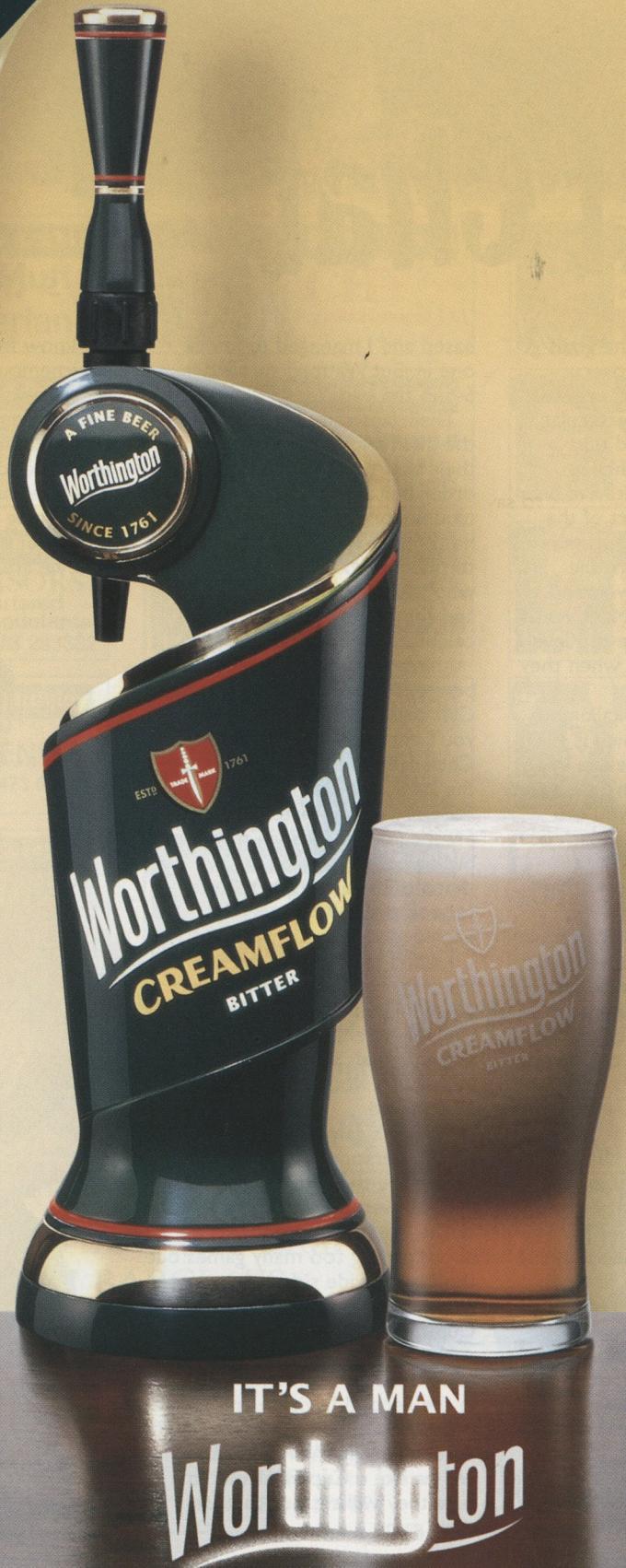
Tonight's game is a first leg tie but personally, I would rather see the Worthington Cup settled over one match really.

The Premiership clubs go on about playing too many games but the Nationwide sides have a more extensive fixture list so a one-off Cup-tie would be a better option.

We are expecting a hard match tonight. Luton are doing very well in the Second Division and have a good crop of young players.

For many of them, this game will be like a Cup Final and I'm sure they will set out to raise their game.





# Portman Diary

A day-by-day look at recent events which have affected Ipswich Town

**Saturday 5th September:** The U19 Academy side's League campaign gets off on a sour note, with midfielder Kevin Inglis suffering a broken leg in the first minute of the team's game at Blackburn. Inglis is stretchered off following an horrendous tackle from Rovers' Andy McAvoy, leaving coach Paul Goddard to say: "It is a big blow to lose Kevin for such a long period, he is one of our outstanding players."

**Monday 7th September:** Town are awaiting clearance from Seville before they can complete the £50,000 signing of central defender Manuel Thetis. The 26-year-old Frenchman has impressed George Burley while on trial at Portman Road. Town's Stadium Manager Alan Ferguson is awarded with an inscribed silver salver and a holiday for two in Holland after winning the vote as the Institute of Groundsmanship's 'Groundsman of the Year'. Elsewhere, the EADT reports that Paul Mason is expecting an offer from Second Division Northampton, managed by former Town star Ian Atkins. "I am open to offers," Mason is reported as saying.

**Tuesday 8th September:** Town secure their first home League win of the season courtesy of a comfortable 3-0 triumph over Bradford. Two goals from James Scowcroft, plus one for Mark Venus, make sure of maximum

points in what could have been an even larger victory. Tony Mowbray suffers a groin injury and is withdrawn at half-time. "It may take some time to heal," admits George Burley after the game.

**Wednesday 9th September:** An Ipswich Town Representative XI beat Lowestoft Town 5-0 to win the Lowestoft Hospital Cup. Goals from Neil Midgley (2), Richard Naylor, Stuart Niven and a fine solo effort from Terry Bowes do the damage for Ipswich. It is announced that the Club's U19 Academy side have signed a one-year sponsorship deal with the Essex-based Broad Oak Farm Sausage Company. "I've been coming to Portman Road since 1962 and have had Season Tickets in various parts of the ground," says Broad Oak's owner Roger Simons.

**Thursday 10th September:** Jason Cundy visits a specialist for a further scan on the ankle injury which has curtailed his season so far.

**Friday 11th September:** After a frustrating delay, Manuel Thetis finally signs for Town - the deal going through with just a few minutes left before the five o'clock deadline, allowing the Frenchman to be named in the squad for tomorrow's match at Oxford United. Mauricio Taricco plays a part in the negotiations between Spanish outfit Seville and Town, helping to translate for the two clubs.

**Saturday 12th September:** It is revealed in 4-4-2 Magazine that Bobby Robson considers former Ipswich favourite Kevin Beattie one of the top three players he has ever worked with in his distinguished career. Beattie is 'beaten' only by Brazilian duo Ronaldo and Romario in Robson's 'hall of fame'. Meanwhile, a 90th minute equaliser from Oxford's Andy Thomson denies Town victory at the Manor Ground. James Scowcroft, David Johnson and Kieron Dyer score for Ipswich, but the match finishes 3-3.

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James Scowcroft in action v Oxford



Bobby Petta in flying form v the Bantams



James Scowcroft celebrates his first



Mark Venus is mobbed after his goal...



...and a big smile to follow.

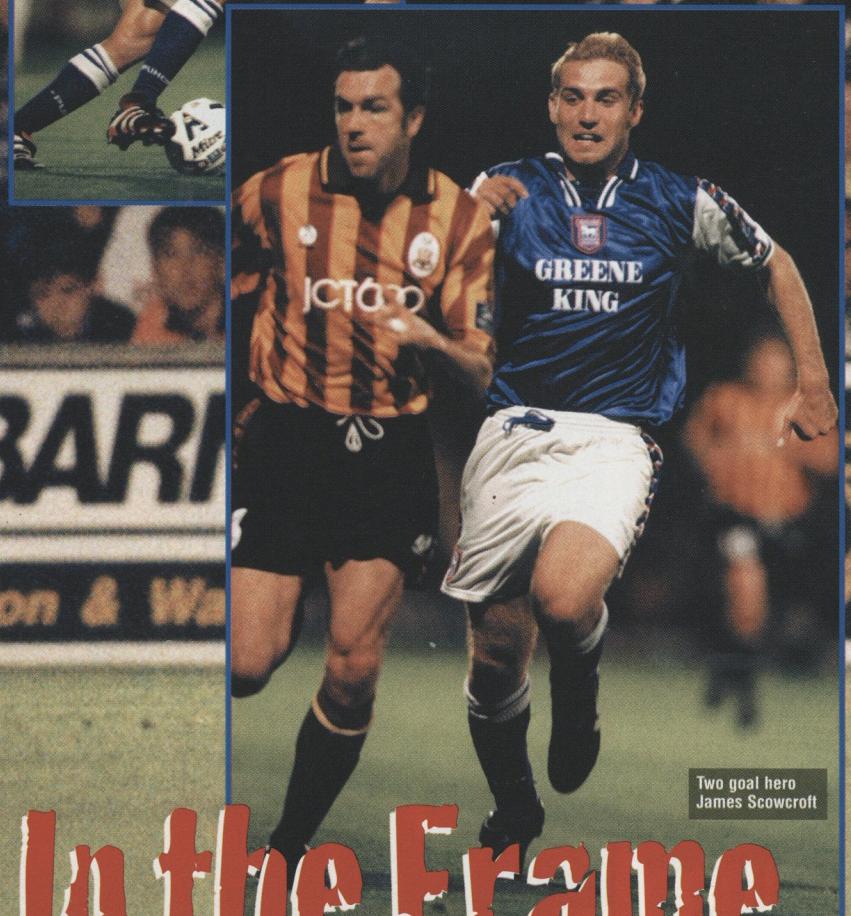


Mark Venus heads home  
Town's second goal



Kieron Dyer

Action from  
Town's recent  
home League  
win against  
Bradford...



Two goal hero  
James Scowcroft

In the Frame



main pic: Adam Tanner



David Johnson goes for  
goal - but is unlucky on  
this occasion



Matt Holland tries his luck



That's two for James and three for Town





# Stats and Facts 1998/99

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## AUGUST 1998

Sun 9	Grimbsy Town	7,211	0-0	Wright	Stockwell	Taricco	Clapham	Mowbray	Venus	Dyer	Holland	Johnson	Holster	Petta	Mathie (56)	Bracey	Sommer (87)
Tue 11	Exeter (W'ton Cup 1st Rd 1st leg, a)	3,233	1-1	Wright	Stockwell	Taricco	Clapham	Mowbray	Venus	Dyer	Holland	Johnson	Naylor	Petta	Mathie (90)	Bracey	Holster (49) Bramble
Sat 15	Bury	13,267	0-0	Wright	Stockwell	Taricco	Clapham	Mowbray	Venus	Dyer	Holland	Johnson	Naylor	Petta	Mathie (46)	Holster	Tanner
Tue 18	Exeter (W'ton Cup 1st Rd 2nd leg, h)	7,952	5-1	Wright	Stockwell***	Taricco	Clapham	Mowbray	Venus	Dyer	Holland	Johnson	Mathie	Petta	Naylor (90)	Bracey	Holster (51) Tanner Mason (76)
Sat 22	Plymouth	12,002	0-0	Wright	Stockwell	Taricco	Clapham	Mowbray	Venus	Dyer	Holland	Johnson	Mathie	Petta	Naylor (70)	Holster	Tanner
Sat 29	Sunderland	15,813	0-2	Wright	Stockwell	Taricco	Clapham	Mowbray	Venus	Dyer	Holland	Johnson	Mathie	Petta	Scowcroft (84)	Holster (24)	Tanner
Mon 31	Port Vale	5,485	3-0	Wright	Tanner	Taricco	Clapham	Mowbray	Venus	Dyer	Holland	Johnson	Scowcroft	Petta	Mathie (84)	Holster (78)	Sommer

## SEPTEMBER

Tue 8	Bradford City	11,586	3-0	Wright	Tanner	Taricco	Clapham	Mowbray	Venus	Dyer	Holland	Johnson	Scowcroft	Petta	Mathie (68)	Holster	Sommer (46)
Sat 12	Oxford United	6,632	3-3	Wright	Tanner	Taricco	Clapham	Mowbray	Venus	Dyer	Holland	Johnson	Scowcroft	Petta	Mathie	Stockwell (46)	Sommer (46)

## Tues 22

Tues 22	Luton (W'ton Cup 2nd Rd 1st leg, h)	11,000	0-0	Wright	Tanner	Taricco	Clapham	Mowbray	Venus	Dyer	Holland	Johnson	Scowcroft	Petta	Mathie (68)	Holster	Sommer (46)
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## Sat 26

## Watford

## Sun 29

## Tranmere Rovers

## OCTOBER

## Sat 3

## Crystal Palace

## Sun 11

## Queens Park Rangers

## Tues/Wed 13/14

## (W'ton Cup 3rd Rd)

## Sat 17

## Swindon Town

## Tue 20

## Norwich City

## Sat 24

## Stockport County

## Sat 31

## West Bromwich Albion

## NOVEMBER

## Tue 3

## Wolverhampton Wanderers

## Sat 7

## Huddersfield Town

## Sat 14

## Barnsley

## Tues/Wed 17/18

## (W'ton Cup 4th Rd)

## Sat 21

## Bolton Wanderers

## Sat 28

## Crewe Alexandra

## DECEMBER

## Sat 5

## Birmingham City

## Sat 12

## Barnsley

## Sun 20

## Sheffield United

## Sat 26

## Portsmouth

## Mon 28

## Wolverhampton Wanderers

## JANUARY 1999

## Sat 2

## FA Cup Third Round

## Tues/Wed 5/6

## (W'ton Cup Quarter-Final)

## Sat 9

## Grimbsy Town

## Sat 16

## Sunderland

## Sat 23

## FA Cup Fourth Round

## Sat 30

## Port Vale

## FEBRUARY

## Sat 6

## Bury

## Sat 13

## Bradford City (FA Cup 5th Rd)

## Wed 17

## (W'ton Cup Semi-Final first leg)

## Sat 20

## Oxford United

## Sun 21

## (W'ton Cup Semi-Final second leg)

## Sat 27

## Bristol City

## MARCH

## Tue 2

## Watford

## Sat 6

## Tranmere Rovers (FA Cup Quarter-Final)

## Tue 9

## Crystal Palace

## Sat 13

## Huddersfield Town

## Sat 20

## West Bromwich Albion

## Sat 27

## Stockport County

## Sun 28

## Worthington Cup Final

## APRIL

## Sat 3

## Swindon Town

## Mon 5

## Queens Park Rangers

## Sat 10

## Norwich City

## Sun 11

## FA Cup Semi-Final

## Sat 17

## Bolton Wanderers

## Sat 24

## Crewe Alexandra

## MAY

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\* first subbed player  
o sent-off  
p penalty  
+ own goal

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## Professional Staff 1998/99

Name Born/Date	Height From	Weight From	1998/99			Total ITFC cup apps/gls	p-off apps/gls
			Ige apps/gls	cup/apps gls	Ige apps/gls		
Lee Bracey	6'1"	13st 7lb	0	0	0	0	0
Barking 11.09.68	Bury	0	0	0	0	0	0
Colin Stewart	6'3"	12st 7lb	0	0	0	0	0
Cleveland 10.01.80	Ipswich YT	0	0	0	0	0	0
Richard Wright	6'2"	13st	0	0	0	0	0
Ipswich 05.11.77	Ipswich YT	7	0	2	0	119	0
Wayne Brown	6'	12st 6lb	0	0	0	25	0
Barking 20.08.77	Ipswich YT	0	0	0	1	0	0
Jason Cundy	6'1"	13st 13lb	0	0	0	53 (1)	5
Wimbledon 12.11.69	Tottenham	0	0	0	0	12	0
John Kennedy	5'8"	10st 5lb	0	0	0	0	0
Newmarket 19.08.78	Ipswich YT	0	0	0	0	0	0
Tony Mowbray	6'1"	13st	0	0	0	0	0
Salisbury 22.11.63	Celtic	6	0	2	0	56 (2)	2
Adam Tanner	6'	12st	0	0	0	16	2
Maldon 25.10.73	Ipswich YT	3	0	0	0	39 (18)	7
Mauricio Taricco	5'9"	11st 7lb	0	0	0	9 (3)	1
Buenos Aires 10.03.73	Argentines Jun	7	0	2	1	125 (3)	3
David Theobald	6'2"	11st 11lb	0	0	0	0	0
Cambridge 15.12.78	Ipswich YT	0	0	0	0	0	0
Manuel Thebit	6'3"	14st 13lb	0	0	0	0	0
France, 05.11.71	Seville, Spa	1	0	0	0	0	0
Mark Venus	6'	12st 9lb	0	0	0	0	0
Hartlepool 06.04.67	Wolves	7	1	2	0	19 (2)	2
Terry Bowes	5'10"	11st	0	0	0	8	1
London 13.09.79	Arsenal	0	0	0	0	0	0
Jamie Clapham	5'9"	10st 11lb	0	0	0	0	0
Lincoln 07.12.75	Tottenham	7	0	2	0	29	0
Kieron Dyer	5'7"	9st 7lb	0	0	0	0	0
Ipswich 29.12.78	Ipswich YT	7	1	2	0	50 (11)	5
Matt Holland	5'9"	11st 12lb	0	0	0	12	1
Bury 11.04.74	Bournemouth	7	1	2	2	53	11
Marco Holster	5'7"	10st 11lb	0	0	0	0	0
Wees, Holland 04.12.71	Heracles, Holland	1 (2)	0	0	0	1 (2)	0
Chris Keeble	5'10"	10st 4lb	0	0	0	0	0
Colchester 07.09.78	Ipswich YT	0	0				

# the teams



IPSWICH TOWN

1	Richard Wright
2	Adam Tanner
3	Mauricio Taricco
4	Jamie Clapham
5	Manuel Thetis
6	Mark Venus
7	Kieron Dyer
8	Matt Holland
9	David Johnson
10	James Scowcroft
11	Bobby Petta
12	
13	15
14	16

Other Squad Members include: Lee Bracey, Colin Stewart, Wayne Brown, Jason Cundy, John Kennedy, David Theobald, Chris Keeble, Stuart Niven, Danny Sonner, Mick Stockwell, Terry Bowes, Marco Holster, Richard Naylor, Neil Midgley, Alex Mathie, Sean Friars, Tony Mowbray



LUTON TOWN

1	Kelvin Davis
2	Graham Alexander
3	Gavin McGowan
4	Matthew Spring
5	Steve Davis
6	Marvin Johnson
7	Ray McKinnon
8	Sean Evers
9	Stuart Douglas
10	Phil Gray
11	Michael McIndoe
12	
13	15
14	16

Other Squad Members include: Nathan Abbey, Herve Bacque, Simon Davies, Gary Doherty, Stuart Douglas, Andrew Fotiadis, Stuart Fraser, Liam George, Julian James, Dwight Marshall, Paul McLaren, Paul Showler, Mitchell Thomas, Alan White.

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