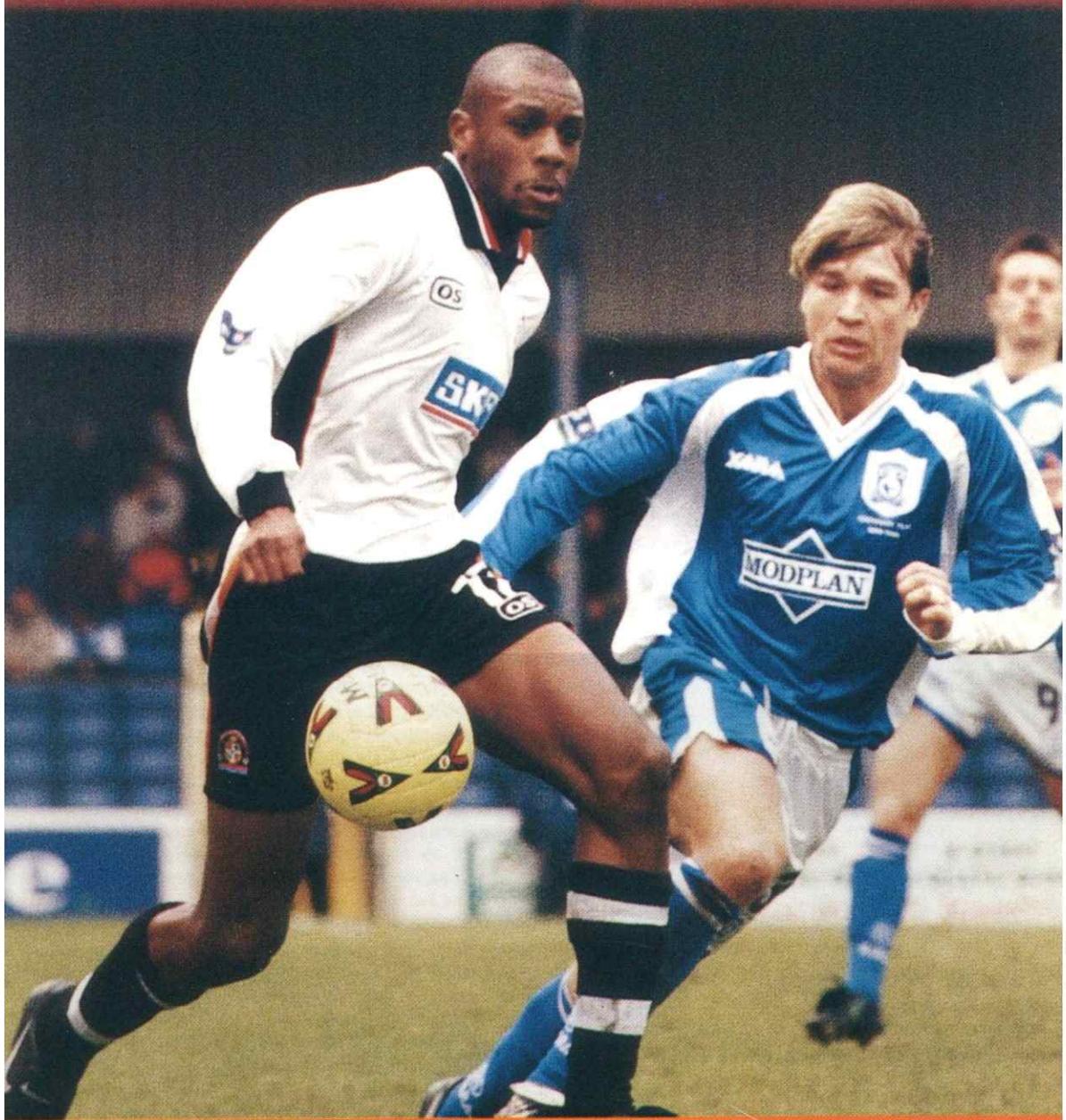


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Town on top - Emmerson Boyce competing with Andy Legg during our 3-1 win at Ninian Park on Sunday.

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A TRANSFER for Ceri Hughes, who left us for Wimbledon in the summer of 1997, has cost Luton Town £100,000. The Dons paid £750,000 down for the Welsh international midfielder, with a further £100,000 due when he completed 50 league and cup appearances for them. That landmark looked like arriving in the autumn - except that when Hughes had played 49 times he was dropped, and never got a sniff of the first team again.

Now he has moved to Portsmouth for £100,000, to aid their First Division relegation battle. He could hardly have had a better start for Pompey - he netted their equaliser on his debut in a 1-1 draw at Stockport, and then admitted it was the first league goal he had ever scored with his head. Hughes followed that with an impressive performance in a 3-0 home win over Barnsley, in which Steve Claridge, briefly a team-mate of Hughes at Luton, scored all three goals.

Hughes said he had accepted the transfer to get his career moving again, and to rekindle his hopes of a return to the Welsh international team. He was with us when he was first capped, in May 1992, but a succession of serious injuries restricted his Town career to 205 league and cup appearances and 20 goals in seven years after his 1990 debut for us. He had seven caps by the time he left, and won another as a Wimbledon player in 1998.

AN OLD friend will return when Millwall come to Kenilworth Road next month. Ray Harford, our former manager, has been appointed coach at the New Den, after a brief spell as technical director at Oxford.

Ray was assistant to John Moore in the 1986/87 season, when the Town achieved their best-ever finishing place, seventh in the old Division One, now the Premiership. Everton won the title and the also-rans behind the Town that year included Watford, Manchester United, Newcastle, and relegated Manchester City and Aston Villa.

A year later, having succeeded Moore as manager, Harford earned his place in history, as boss of the team that won the Littlewoods Cup. He made more history at Blackburn, when he and Kenny Dalglish took the Rovers to the Premier championship. Wimbledon, West Brom and Derby were the other clubs who hired him after he left us ten years ago.

A FOOT injury to Alan White has taken some of the urgency out of Colchester United's bid to tempt him back to Layer Road. He played four games for them on loan in December, and made a big impression on manager Steve Whitton and on the fans. Now Whitton has been in touch to ask if he can buy the 23-year-old defender. Lennie Lawrence says he is prepared to consider it, but is not keen on Colchester's offer to include in a deal the return to Luton of David Greene. He went from Kenilworth Road to Colchester for £35,000 in the summer of 1996.

Both players will be entitled to free transfers in the summer, and the last word on a move to Layer Road for White will rest with the player himself. Lawrence made it clear he would like him to stay, but would understand if White chose to leave for regular first team football.

THE EDITOR is not exactly famous for campaigning for more women in football - he thinks God gave them dainty feet so they can stand close to the sink - but feels it only fair to put on record the appreciation of youth coach Paul Lowe after a Town match was refereed by a woman, we think for the first time in our history.

We lost in the Football League Youth Alliance to Walsall (see page 43) but it was certainly not the fault of referee Amy Rayner, from Stafford. "She was excellent, and so was another woman who was running the line," said Paul. "She was well in control throughout and had such a good game that we hardly noticed her." He added that both teams, boys aged between 16 and 18, seemed to respond to the lady ref - "There was a lot less bad language than usual."

THERE are football people all over the world who have joined us in mourning the death at the age of 89 of the finest soccer administrator Luton has ever produced, A. D. McMullen, MBE. He had given a working lifetime of service to Luton as a schoolmaster, and to football at all levels. He began as a young referee on the local parks, and ended as a vice-president of the FA at Lancaster Gate.

David McMullen, known universally as Mac, became secretary and treasurer of Beds FA in 1950, and did both jobs for 19 years, continuing as general secretary for a further year after the jobs were split. He was a member of Beds FA Council for 50 years and for more than 40 of those he was also on the council at Lancaster Gate. There he served on many committees, and was appointed to represent Great Britain on various FIFA international boards.

It would take a whole programme to report all the details of a marvellous man, whose wide-ranging interests included close support for swimming in Bedfordshire, and for the Luton Schools athletics championships. Many, including this reporter, remember him as an inspiring school teacher - he started at Surrey Street School in the 1920s, and eventually became head of Dunstable Road School.

He travelled the world on football duties, but never forgot his roots in the sport - his many proud achievements included being President of the South Bedfordshire Referees Association and he kept up his membership until the day he died, having joined in 1936.

He was a good friend to Luton Town, and all who had the pleasure of meeting him will join his family in sorrow at the news of his passing, but with gratitude for knowing him. We send our sympathies to all his relatives.

WE ALSO extend our sympathies to the family of John Arnold, 73, a keen Luton Town supporter, who has died in the Pasque Hospice. He was a regular at Kenilworth Road for over 40 years, and even during his last illness, when he could not get to matches, Mr Arnold, of Hollinwick Road, Dunstable, maintained a keen interest in the team's fortunes. Visitors were expected to have the latest news from the club, and during his last days he was delighted to hear of the 4-1 win over Scunthorpe. He will be missed by many supporters who got to know him over the years, in the enclosure in recent seasons, and the club sends its condolences to his wife Pat, and daughters Clare and Jane, in their sad loss.

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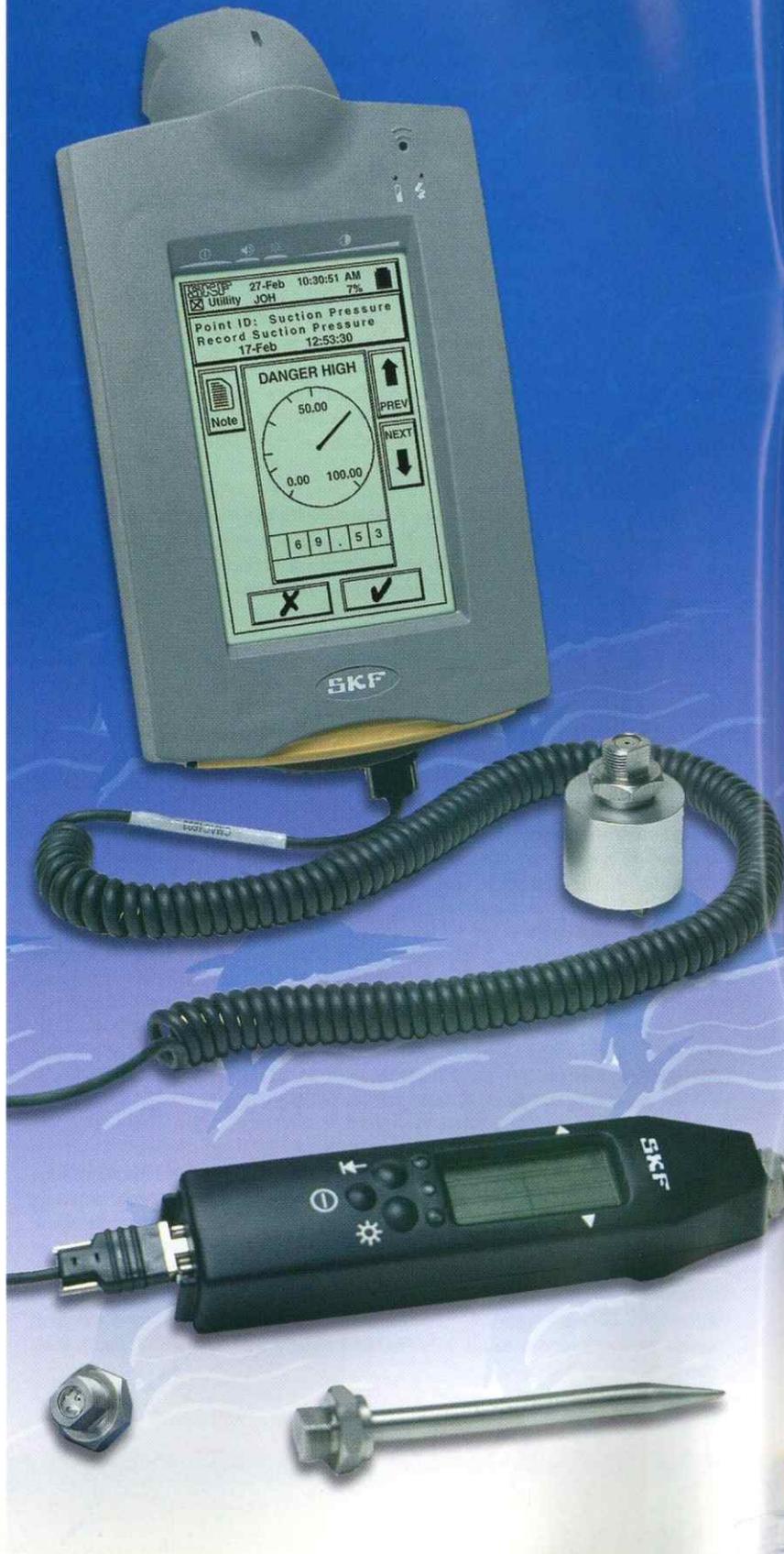
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The Manager

Lennie Lawrence



SUNDAY'S well-deserved victory at Cardiff completed a very satisfactory month for us, with January producing three wins, a draw, and one unlucky defeat with ten men. In the distant days of pre-season,

we might have thought that to get 40 points by March would be pretty good, so we are delighted to reach that mark by January, particularly after being hard hit by suspensions and injuries.

We have managed back to back league wins for the first time this season, and the imminent return of players like Adam Locke, Matthew Taylor, Paul McLaren, Alan White and Michael McIndoe bodes well for the future.

The January run of results has set us up nicely for a February fixture list which could tell us much about our prospects and play-off aspirations, with four of the next five games at home.

One thing is certain: if we are to get into the top six we still have to improve away results. The three victories on our travels have all been against struggling teams, down near the bottom of the league. But the performances have been encouraging. Earlier in the season we were losing away games which we thought we could win. We were being muscled out of it too often. That is no longer happening, as Cardiff will testify.

I can't tell you why, but I think early kick-off times tend to favour away teams. We were well prepared, having stayed in a local hotel overnight. Cardiff were lacking confidence, and we were able to capitalise on that. Scoring first helped, and so did a save by Nathan Abbey, which prevented an equaliser.

We went on to turn in a good professional performance, and my only criticism would be that we should have kept a rare clean sheet - we are not having enough of those. On the other hand, Cardiff's late goal came from a very good move, their best of the game.

Six goals in our last two away games have improved one column in the league table that needed to get better, and while professionally we like clean sheets, our scoring record is cause for satisfaction. Bristol Rovers, who are leading the division, have scored only six more than us. Crucially, their away goals total is very much better.

Our thanks are due to the supporters who made the trip to Ninian Park - not as many as usual, but still their voices were heard, and the players appreciated it. Similar backing through February can play a big part in helping us all to achieve our ambitions.

We must put together a consistent run of good results, including matches against teams who are above us in the table. Surprisingly, Bournemouth are not in that category today, but we know from past experience how hard it always seems to be for us to beat them. Dean Court has never been a happy hunting ground for us, and the record shows we have failed to beat Bournemouth in the last six league attempts, even though the games have always been close.

We welcome Bournemouth to Kenilworth Road today, especially their respected manager, Mel Machin, and former Luton player Mark Stein.

Last season Bournemouth missed the play-offs by a whisker, on the final day, and although they are now in mid-table they have enough quality in the side to make our task difficult this afternoon. For professional satisfaction I would settle for 1-0, but any score will do so long as it is a win for us. We have to keep winning, and look to the pack just above us to drop a few points, to stay in with a shout of the play-offs. It's not impossible, and the backing of a good home crowd can help. Give us your support today, and then, hopefully, after a win against Bournemouth we will be well set to peg back Stoke, one of the teams competing for a top six finish.

Lennie Lawrence

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Today's Referee

PAYING his first visit of the season to Kenilworth Road today, local government accountant Michael Jones is this afternoon's referee.

All whistlers who make the grade to take charge of games in the Football League start early, and Mr Jones began as a referee in the Chester area when he was only 15. He moved up to Class One by the time he was 20, and became one of the youngest refs on the national list eight years later.

Mr Jones is now in his third season as a Football League referee, having been a linesman for four seasons before that.

He has also sampled soccer on the other side of the Atlantic - last year he was a referee in the Inter-Continental youth club championships held in Dallas.

Away from football, he is a bit of a DIY man, and puts down his other hobbies as most sports, and relaxing with his family, being the father of three young children.



TOWN TEASER



OUR "Town Trivia" quiz offers a free prize to another supporter today. Before the game the PA announcer will ask the latest Town Teaser. If you know the answer, listen for your chance to have a go.

THE QUESTION

We haven't often seen 11 goals scored in one game at Kenilworth Road, but it happened in the old Division One in 1988. We won 7-4. Who did we beat that day?

Hatters Roll-Call Season 1999/2000

	APPEARANCES (as sub in brackets)					GOALS			
	League	FAC	WC	AWS	Total	League	FAC	WC	Total
Nathan Abbey	28	5	2	1	36	0	0	0	0
James Ayres	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	0
Emmerson Boyce	10(4)	0(2)	2	1	13(6)	0	0	0	0
Gary Doherty	26	5	0(2)	1	32(2)	1	2	1	4
Stuart Douglas	22(3)	5	2	1	30(3)	3	1	0	4
Andrew Fotiadis	6(5)	0	0(2)	0	6(7)	2	0	0	2
Stuart Fraser	19	5	1	1	26	1	0	0	1
Phil Gray	12(1)	1	2	0	15(1)	3	1	0	4
Liam George	24(1)	5	0(1)	1	30(2)	13(1p)	2	0	15(1p)
Marvin Johnson	26	5	0	1	32	0	0	0	0
Tresor Kandol	1(3)	0	1	0	2(3)	0	0	1	1
Adam Locke	13(4)	3(1)	1	1	18(5)	3	0	0	3
Gavin McGowan	2	0	0	0		0	0	0	0
Michael McIndoe	2(14)	0(2)	2	0	4(16)	0	0	0	0
Ray McKinnon	0(3)	0	1	0	1(3)	0	0	0	0
Paul McLaren	17(2)	4	1	0	22(2)	0	0	0	0
Neil Midgley	8(2)	0	0	0	8(2)	3	0	0	3
Paul Read	0	0	0	0(1)	0(1)	0	0	0	0
Andre Scarlett	2	0	0	0(1)	2(1)	0	0	0	0
Efetobore Sodje	4(4)	1(1)	2	1	8(5)	0	0	0	0
Matthew Spring	27	5	1	1	34	6(1p)	2	0	8(1p)
Matthew Taylor	25	5	1	0	31	2	1	0	3
Tony Thorpe	3(1)	0	0	0	3(1)	1	0	0	1
Julian Watts	28	5	2	0	35	2	0	0	2
Alan White	3(1)	0	2	0	5(1)	0	0	0	0
Landry Zahana-Oni	0(1)	0	0	0	0(1)	0	0	0	0

Captain's Log

Marvin Johnson



IT'S NICE to be back at Kenilworth Road today, nice to be playing on a Saturday afternoon, and for me nice to be in good health again and ready to reclaim my place - if selected, of course.

I had to drop out of the side at Cardiff, after I picked up some sort of stomach bug. I was OK in training before we left Luton on Saturday afternoon, but in the team hotel that evening I did not have much of an appetite. That didn't worry me, because I often eat very little the night before a match, but during the night I soon discovered the problem was more than loss of appetite.

I couldn't sleep because of the stomach cramp pain which woke me at about 2.30. Luckily Tippy Gray, who rooms with me on away games, is a sound sleeper, and he was snoring away contentedly while I suffered in silence. And believe it or not, at 3 am, I was listening to the sound of Welsh voices in the hotel singing!

Long before kick-off time I was feeling very weak, and much as I wanted to play, I knew it would be unfair on the team if I did.

In the event Stuart Fraser did very well in the back three, playing there for the first time in the first team, and the performance on the pitch helped me feel a lot better as the game went on. I certainly enjoyed the game better than last time I was a reluctant spectator, at home to Preston.

I thought our play was excellent. The players have talked among themselves about the need to be harder to beat away from home, and I think we are getting there. The improvement was overdue - after a good start to the season away results had tailed off, and I spoke in this column about our determination to put that right. January's results speak for themselves, although the turning point might have been the last game of the old year, when we went to Bristol and got a draw at Ashton Gate.

At Cardiff I thought we looked comfortable and in control right from the first whistle, and once the second goal went in I was pretty confident we were going to collect three points. All three of our goals were well-worked, and Tippy's versatility came to the fore when he showed neat touches for two of the goals, and then became a defender to help blot out the Cardiff attack. I don't think he wants my job - yet! - but he has always said he could play in any position in any team, and now I believe him!

I don't think he will be playing centre-half today, and I am looking forward to crossing swords again with Mark Stein. He and I were here together as youngsters, although I must remind everyone that he is older than me. He has always been sharp and quick, and he and Steve Fletcher are a very good attacking partnership. We think we can keep them quiet, and continue to get goals at the other end, after which I will be pleased to buy a drink for Mark and wish him and Bournemouth all the best for the rest of the season. We are overdue for a win against them, to start a month which looks as though it could make or break our dreams.

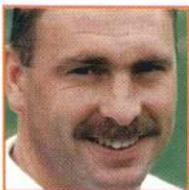
We need to get a good result on Tuesday against Stoke, and after a difficult game at Bury next Saturday we have another big one at Kenilworth Road, against Bristol Rovers. We are proud of our home record, and determined to maintain it, and our play-off chances will look a lot brighter if we do well in the next month.

I often close my column with a word of thanks to supporters, but today more than usual I want to record our appreciation of the fans who went to the trouble of getting up early to make the long trip to Ninian Park. Their backing was tremendous, and it makes us all the more determined to repay that loyalty. We are going into a crucial part of the season with plenty of confidence, and good support can help us towards our goal. Thanks for that, keep it up, and enjoy the game.

Marvin Johnson

Treatment Room

Clive Goodyear



THE GOOD news from the treatment room this week is that Paul McLaren is back in training after his dislocated toe, and although he is not yet 100 per cent fit it will not be too long before he can be considered for a return to competitive football.

He has been out since being injured on Boxing Day, against Chesterfield, and it has mainly been a matter of time being the greatest healer, aided by regular treatment and exercise. He went back to see the specialist last week, and was given the all-clear, with confirmation that the injury was completely healed. But he was still suffering some pain and discomfort - not severe, but twinges felt when he put on his boot.

Fortunately, his general fitness is good, and it will not take long for him to be ready for a game. At this stage I cannot forecast the timetable - he resumed full training on Wednesday, and we will monitor his progress carefully. He will not be available for today, and probably not for Tuesday's game against Stoke either. Ideally, he should have a first run-out with the reserves before going back into the first team squad.

While McLaren enjoys his good news, Landry Zahana-Oni is still struggling with his knee injury. He seemed to be getting over it well, training and playing reserve team football, but it was sometimes sore. So this week he underwent minor surgery - a so-called "keyhole" operation to enable the surgeon to take a look inside the joint, and try to discover the cause of the discomfort. At the time of writing I am waiting to hear the results.

This is the first serious injury Zahana-Oni has ever suffered, so it has hit him hard, but in fact it is not a serious problem. At present, it is a case of wait and see, but I do not anticipate a serious problem for him, and there is every chance he could be in full training again within two or three weeks.

Andrew Fotiadis was subbed during the reserve game on Wednesday after getting a bang on the head. It was a precaution, and he was all right by Thursday and will be in contention or a place in the team or on the bench this afternoon.

Our other casualty this week has been Alan White, which is a bit of bad luck for him. Having got over suspension, he has been ruled out by a skin infection on one of his feet. It's an occupational hazard for footballers because of all the knocks and bumps their feet take. In this case some kind of bacteria has got under the skin, and White has been prescribed a course of anti-biotics which should clear it up within a week or so. The infection is inconvenient, but not serious.

Marvin Johnson has got over the stomach bug that made him a late withdrawal from the team at Cardiff, and thankfully we have kept pretty clear of that sort of illness this season so far. Fotiadis was feeling slightly unwell before the reserve game on Wednesday, but as with his skipper it is a minor problem.

Professional footballers are very fit young men, and that helps them avoid a lot of the routine bugs like flu, at a time when the general population is suffering. So far, despite the major flu epidemic of the past month, we have kept completely clear of it. Long may it continue!

Clive Goodyear

Club Secretary

Cherry Newbery



IT WAS sad last Sunday to find ourselves at a match which was very heavily policed and only 300 of our supporters able or willing to travel a long distance for a game kicking off at 12.15.

And all because two mindless people who did not consider the safety of supporters in our main stand when setting fire to a Welsh flag at our home against Cardiff, nor the repercussions that action would have.

Both have since appeared in court, and have received bans from attending any football match for a year, and they will certainly not set foot inside Kenilworth Road again.

The few fans who were a Ninian Park were in excellent voice, and very well behaved, and it made me very proud to be there as a Luton Town supporter. Our pleasure was completed by the way the team faced the challenge.

Well done to all our fans who went to the game - I am pleased to report there was only one arrest, and that was of a home supporter.

Cardiff having advised us that the match would be all-ticket for our supporters, I know some were angry that in fact on the day a cash turnstile was opened.

Cardiff City said their police advised it to ensure the 23 Luton supporters without tickets were allowed into the ground, and in the away section.

Unfortunately, the turnstile operator was not properly briefed, and was not used to working in that area of the ground. He put up the wrong sign, and charged only £12 for entry. On behalf of those of you who pre-booked and paid £14 I tried to obtain a refund of £2 each, but Cardiff would not agree!

On the subject of tickets, may I remind you again that our home game with Millwall next

month will be all-ticket for all supporters, and none will be sold on the day, nor will there be cash turnstile open for that match.

But there is a way you can attend at a bargain price: we are still selling season tickets, at pro-rata prices according to the time you buy. As we are now beyond the half-way stage of the season, it means that the cost is already less than half of the full season's price for the remaining home games. You save on normal matchday prices by purchasing a season ticket, and of course your seat is secure and paid for at all-ticket matches. On top of that, you get a ten per cent discount at the club shop if you show your season ticket when you make purchases there.

We are also still selling "season tickets" for the new parking facility at Dallow Road school. Some spaces are still available, and if you are interested the cost is £28 for the rest of the season's home games. Contact me for more information, or write and enclose a cheque payable to Luton Town FC.

Stewarding in all areas of the ground on match days is important, and we have a few vacancies for stewards, men or women, for our executive areas. Working conditions are pleasant, and the job entails meeting interesting people. If you are interested, please ring me at the club, on 01582 411622.

Finally today, I want to welcome Alan Corkhill, a Luton Town stalwart, and his helpers who are holding a bucket collection in the ground. They are raising money for Hearing Dogs for the Deaf, and for other Rotary charities, and I am sure that as always you will be generous.

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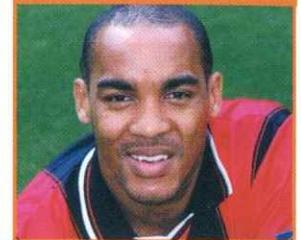
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Head-to-Head

Phil Gray



Mark Stein



Our Carling Opta run down on opposing players this afternoon looks at two class players, the Town's Phil Gray and Bournemouth's Mark Stein

Mark Stein returns to Kenilworth Road this afternoon to face his former side as Mel Machin's men aim to go one better than last season and reach the second division play-offs.

Phil Gray's impressive performances for the Hatters this season may not have been rewarded with a glut of goals, but his overall performances for the team have helped bring out the best out of Lennie Lawrence's young side.

Stein has hit the back of the net eleven times in the league this season and has totalled over 50 efforts at goal. Gray has only scored three times, but has played under half of Stein's time on the pitch. Even so the Northern Ireland international has attempted an impressive 23 strikes at the target.

Gray's role as a creator is one he performs with much aplomb. With the pacy Liam George and Stuart Douglas able to run past and beat defenders, Gray is able to draw defenders wide, hence his 14 crosses, and pass the ball accurately to the strikers. His skill in this department has seen him create three goals, while Stein's predatory instincts mean that he has set up two goals, suggesting that he prefers his own route to goal.

Gray's deeper role has led to him being better in defensive capacities while Stein's role as an out and out striker have seen him take up fewer defensive duties. In fact his attacking prowess has seen him flagged offside 47 times this season, so Luton will be hoping that their defence is not caught out by one of his early runs.

Stein may feel that he has a point to prove on his return to Bedfordshire, having started in football on schoolboy forms with Luton.

But if the Cherries pay too much attention to the youngsters in the Luton forward line, it could be Gray left having the last laugh.

	Gray	Stein
Minutes on Pitch	1,038	2,577

Goal Attempts

Goals	3	11
Shots on Target (inc goals)	10	25
Shots off Target	10	25
Blocked Shots	3	9

Passing

Goal Assists	3	2
Total Passes	324	664
Pass Completion	60%	71%

Crossing

Total Crosses	14	15
Cross Completion	50%	40%

Dribbling

Dribbles and Runs	10	40
Dribble Completion	70%	83%

Defending

Tackles Made	13	14
Tackles Won	62%	43%
Blocks	4	4
Clearances	14	2
Interceptions	5	5

Discipline

Fouls	26	30
Offside	6	47
Yellow Cards	2	2
Red Cards	0	0

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A LOT of the staff at Kenilworth Road are close to local football as well as the professional game, and today we are pleased to see the link working the other way. Our match ball sponsor is Tony Gatward, who now lives at Poole, just down the road from Bournemouth, but who used to be very well known in Luton for his local soccer connections, including being a referee.

He is going to be a little surprised to read this page of the programme, and to see his name on the front page. His son Paul, also a referee, has organised the match ball sponsorship in his father's name, and the family has had to use a little subterfuge to ensure that Tony attends today's game. He does not miss many meetings involving Luton and Bournemouth, but was puzzled about how insistent his wife and son were that he must attend today's game. Arriving at noon, and with a car park space guaranteed, must have tipped him off that something was afoot. Now he knows!

He has given nearly half a century of service to football in various capacities, starting in Luton 49 years ago when he ran teams for Wilsden Athletic in the local leagues. He worked for Barclays International, and left Luton in 1973 after being moved to Bristol, then to Poole in 1977.

Now 68 and retired from business, Tony is still refereeing football games in the Bournemouth area. We hope he enjoys today's surprise, and that he and his wife Eileen, and Paul and Kaye, plus Tony's grandson Michael enjoy their day with us.

Ball sponsorship is one of the many VIP packages we offer as part of our commercial activities, with a host of packages designed to cater for parties of all sizes, and at all sorts of prices. We will happily talk to you about what we can offer, and you might be surprised at how affordable it is to watch Luton Town with a little luxury added to the day's football.

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John Bailey

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OUR supporters went home feeling pretty happy with life after our last home match, with Reading being convincingly beaten. But perhaps the happiest of all was Kanti Thaurar, from Dalling Drive, Houghton Regis, because he was the day's Golden Gamble winner.



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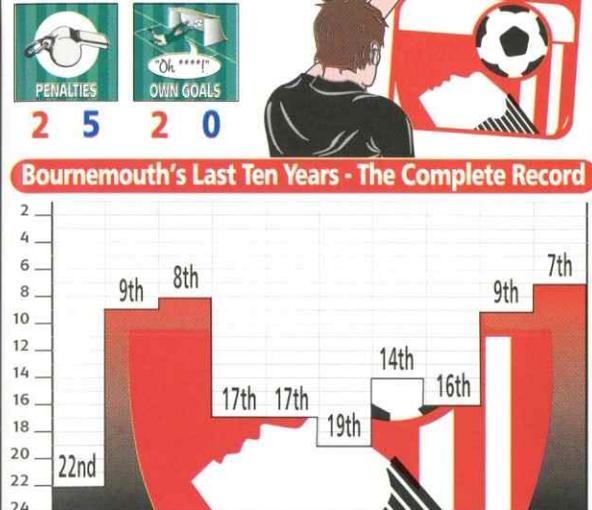
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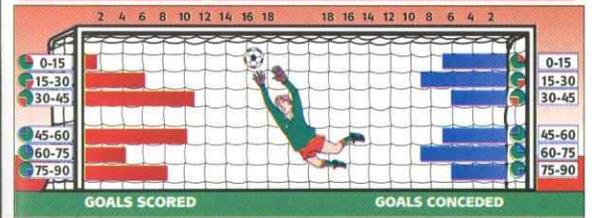


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13	13	13	11	11	10	11	10	10	10	10	10	11	12	13

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- Mark Owendale** Goalkeeper 27 Apps 0 Goals Age 26 Ht 6'2" Wt 13:10 Prev Club: Barry Town Int.:-
- Ian Cox** Defender 28 Apps 0 Goals Age 28 Ht 6'0" Wt 12:00 Prev Club: Palace Int.: Trin&Tob
- Neil Young** Defender 22 Apps 0 Goals Age 26 Ht 5'9" Wt 12:00 Prev Club: Tottenham Int.:-
- Richard Hughes** Defender 9(1) Apps 1 Goal Age 20 Ht 5'9" Wt 9:12 Prev Club: Arsenal Int.: Scot U21
- John O'Shea** Defender 2 Apps 0 Goals Age 18 Ht 6'3" Wt 11:12 Prev Club: on loan from Man United Int.: Eire Yth
- Scott Mean** Midfield 16(4) Apps 1 Goal Age 26 Ht 5'11" Wt 13:08 Prev Club: West Ham Int.:-
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- Claus Jorgensen** Midfield 23(5) Apps 4 Goals Age 23 Ht 5'11" Wt 10:07 Prev Club: Horsens Int.:-
- Steve Fletcher** Forward 21 Apps 5 Goals Age 27 Ht 6'2" Wt 14:09 Prev Club: Hartlepool Int.:-
- Carl Fletcher** Midfield 16(1) Apps 1 Goal Age 19 Ht 5'10" Wt 11:07 Prev Club: - Int.:-
- Karl Broadhurst** Defender 15 Apps 0 Goals Age 19 Ht 6'1" Wt 11:07 Prev Club: - Int.:-
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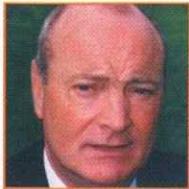
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= Lee Hodges	Scunthorpe	4	2	7.5:
= Neil Roberts	Wrexham	4	2	7.5:
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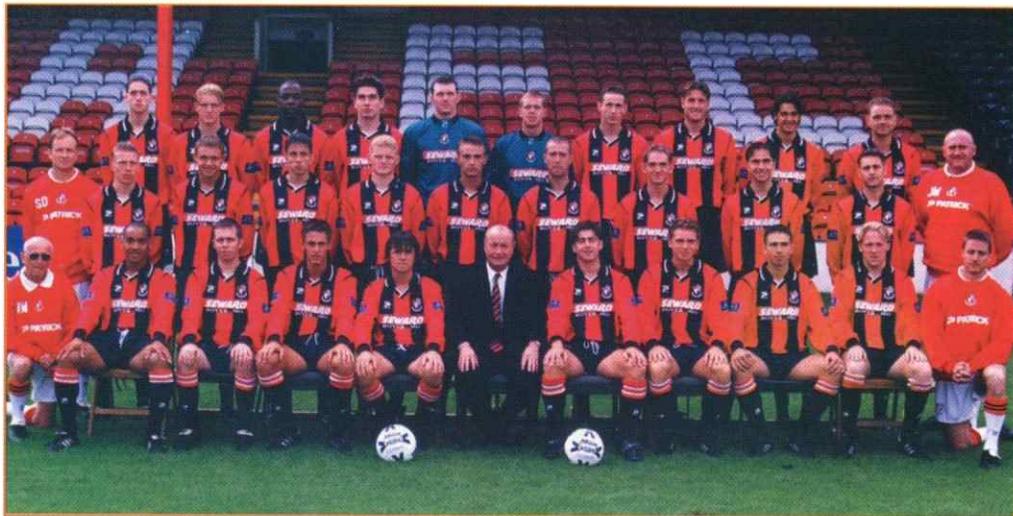
welcome to Bournemouth



**MEL MACHIN
(MANAGER)**

Now one of the longest serving managers in the game, much-respected Mel joined Bournemouth as manager in September 1994. As a player, he was a stylish right back with the Cherries from 1970 to 1973 and he also served Port Vale in his home town of Stoke-on-Trent, Gillingham and Norwich. He moved into coaching whilst at Norwich before taking up his first managerial role at Manchester City. After leading City back to the top flight and engineering a 5-1 win over bitter rivals United, he was sensationally sacked. His next managerial post came at Barnsley where he turned the club from perennial strugglers to building the firm

foundations that saw them rise to Premiership. It's been an eventful time for Mel since he returned to Bournemouth. In his first season, he joined a club with no points and few experienced players. His eye for a bargain and ability to give players demanding roles to get the best out of them was to work wonders. He got the side playing good football and a remarkable second half of a season saw promotion form that was to end in what has gone down in the club's history as "The Great Escape". After a consolidation season in 1995-96, the 1996-97 season was also remarkable for all the wrong reasons. The club's dire financial position saw the very future of AFC Bournemouth in jeopardy. Despite all the off the field problems and no assurances that the players would be paid, Mel still got the best out of the players and throughout the months



BOURNEMOUTH FOOTBALL CLUB 1999/2000

Back Row: Karl Broadhurst, Eddie Howe, Ian Cox, Richard Hughes, Mark Ovendale, Steve Lovell (Now Portsmouth), Steve Fletcher, Scott Mean, Neil Young.

Middle Row: Sean O'Driscoll (First Team Coach), James Ford, Danny Smith, Brian Stock, Claus Jorgenson, Mike Dean, John O'Neill, James Hayter, Carl Fletcher, Mark Rawlinson, John Williams (Assistant Manager).

Front Row: Ken Walton (Sprint Coach), Mark Stein, Russell Beardsmore (Retired), Jason Tindall, John Bailey, Mel Machin (Manager), Steve Robinson, William Huck, Christer Warren, Jamie Day, Dave Molt (Physio).

the players

when the future of the club was in serious doubt, the side produced form that was vital to keep support at a high level. After the club was saved, with Mel Machin putting his own money in, the 1997-98 campaign was one of the most memorable in the club's history, ending with Mel being the first manager to lead Bournemouth out at Wembley for the Auto Windscreens Shield Final. Despite a 2-1 defeat against Grimsby and missing out on the play-offs by four points, it was a highly successful year for a club that had gone so close to going under.

JOHN WILLIAMS (ASSISTANT MANAGER)

Ever popular 'Willo' is a loyal club man at Dean Court after signing as a towering centre half in 1986. He was the vital part of the jigsaw in the Bournemouth side that won the Third Division Championship in 1987 and he went on to enjoy a long and fruitful playing career at the club. His playing days were finished by injury and after a spell at Cardiff, he moved back to the club as Youth Team Coach and soon became assistant to Mel Machin. He was sacked by the receivers when the club nearly went under, but supporters paid his wages so that he could continue.

MARK OVENDALE (GOALKEEPER)

Born in Leicester, Mark made his league debut with Northampton but it was last season that he made his big breakthrough in league football and he responded in fine style, remaining ever present. He had spent time with Welsh Champions Barry Town and gained European experience with the club before his move to Dean Court last summer.



CHRISTER WARREN (FORWARD)

Although a local lad, Christer started his career at Cheltenham before moving to gain Premiership experience at Southampton. Since moving to Bournemouth in October 1997, he has proved to be an integral part of the side, taking any challenge offered to him in his stride.

He has played in many different positions including a long run at left back last season.

NEIL YOUNG (DEFENCE)

Regular right-back who passed the 200 league appearance mark for the Cherries late last season. He arrived from Tottenham in 1994 and his confident, solid performances have seen him become one of the most respected defenders in Division Two.



SCOTT MEAN (MIDFIELD)

The Cherries welcomed back Scott Mean, who rejoined the club at the beginning of July from West Ham after spending three years at Upton Park. Scott started his career at Dean Court, progressing through the youth team to turn professional in 1992. A stylish central midfielder with a great eye for goal. He made a dramatic contribution to the 'Great Escape' team with vital goals as the Cherries retained their Second Division status in 1995.

IAN COX (DEFENCE)

Stylish central defender and club captain. Ian joined Bournemouth in March 1996 from Crystal Palace as a midfielder but it was when he was converted to a central defender that Ian started to blossom. Superb in the air and strong on the ground, Ian was a tower of strength in side last season and also contributed well to the goals scored column. Ian was in Morocco recently where he made his international debut for Trinidad and Tobago.

STEVE ROBINSON (MIDFIELD)

'Robbo' enjoyed a tremendous 1998-99 campaign where as well as missing just a handful of games through injury for the Cherries, he also started to establish himself in the Northern Ireland team. Since joining the club from Tottenham in 1994. Steve has blossomed into one of the most admired midfielders in Division Two and was voted by his fellow professionals into the PFA Division

Today's Visitors

the players

Two team of the Year. A hard working player who's creativity is matched by an excellent eye for goal. He scored 16 goals last term.

MARK STEIN (FORWARD)

Highly experienced striker who originally joined Bournemouth on loan from Chelsea in March 1998. He signed permanently at the start of last season and enjoyed a tremendous campaign. Luton Town fans will remember him with affection as part of the squad that one the 1988 Littlewoods Cup, when he played alongside brother Brian. His career since then took him to QPR, Oxford, Stoke and Chelsea before joining Bournemouth. He recently chalked up his



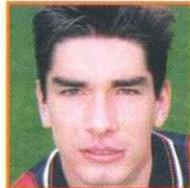
500th senior appearance, and has just celebrated his 34th birthday.

STEVE FLETCHER (FORWARD)

'Fletch', as the striker is known, is one of the most popular players at Dean Court. Long-serving, he joined the club in 1992 from Hartlepool United and has established himself as one of the best target men in Division Two.

RICHARD HUGHES (MIDFIELD)

It was hard to believe that the 1998-99 campaign was Richard's first at senior level as after making his debut on the opening day of the season against



Lincoln, he established himself as a first team regular. He has won honours for Scotland at Under 21 level.

GARETH STEWART (GOALKEEPER)

Confident young Preston born keeper who commands his area well, Gareth joined the Cherries recently as understudy to Mark Owendale. He has learned his trade with Blackburn Rovers and came to Bournemouth at the end of last season.

CLAUS JORGENSEN (MIDFIELD)

Midfield utility player who joined the Cherries in the summer from Danish club AC Horsens. He originally came over to England on trial last season and impressed enough to be given a

contract. a typical poachers goal at Burnley. He scored the superb equaliser against Bury and the next match at Chesterfield was his 500th senior appearance of his career. Mark reached double figures for the season with a brace against Brentford and is the only first team player this season not to have been sidelined through injury.

JOHN O'NEILL (MIDFIELD)



Since joining Bournemouth from Glasgow Celtic on transfer deadline day in 1996, John has proved to be one of the most reliable members of the squad. He always has an eye for spectacular goals.



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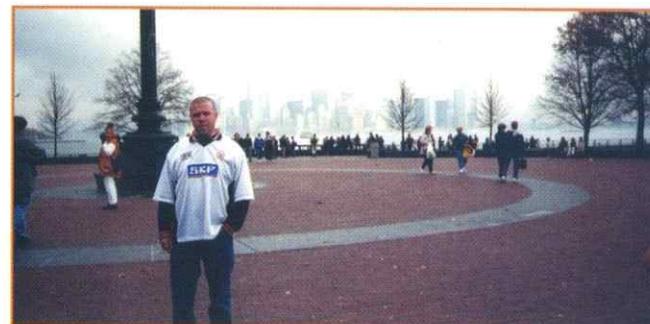
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Hatters Abroad

carrying the colours



THE SKYLINE is unmistakable - New York, with its skyscrapers, as seen from Ellis Island, near the statue of Liberty.

Equally unmistakable is the Luton Town shirt being worn by Mick Brown - the kit was an essential part of his luggage when he and wife Lesley went on holiday to the States.

Fortunately, she too is a Town fan, so she did not complain too much at Mick's insistence on wearing the Hatters colours all over New York and Las Vegas. He packed home and away shirts to ensure that one was always available, and Mrs Brown cheerfully put up with it, even though their holiday was a "second honeymoon" trip. She explained: "He's been mad on the Hatters for 30 years. When I asked him what had been the greatest day in his life I thought it might be when we got married, or when our children were born. No chance. The best day of his life was in April 1988... at Wembley!"

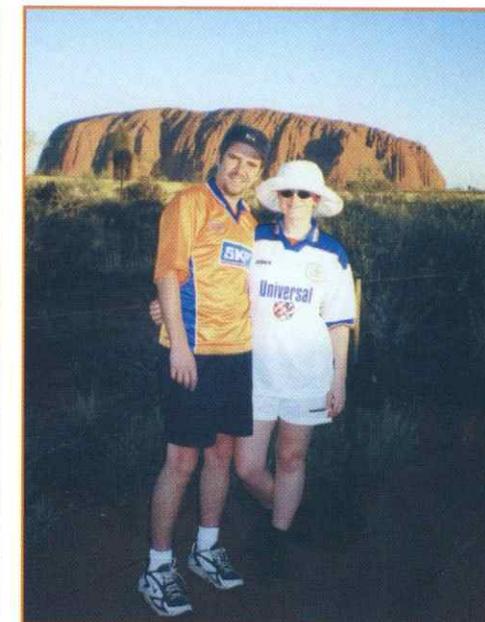
TODAY'S other landmark picture is just as famous as Manhattan - Paul and Karen Lucas, from Bliss Avenue, Shefford, had their picture taken at sunset in the middle of Australia, with

Ayres Rock the dramatic background.

"We had a great holiday," reports Paul. "Unfortunately the Hatters lost to Millwall the day we left, and when we got home, after managing to stay awake for over 48 hours, I saw them lose to Preston."

It follows that the Town have not lost a home league game this season every time Paul has been in the crowd, so we hope he and

his wife take care that future holiday bookings should be timed to avoid missing any more home matches!



OUR Hatters Abroad feature is open to all fans - if you have an interesting snap of Town kit in far-flung places, or even close to home if the subject or location is picturesque, we would like to consider it for publication. Please send it, with a few details, to the matchday magazine editor at Luton Town FC. Please enclose a stamped self-addressed envelope if you want the photographs back.

We are also interested in hearing about our very young fans sporting the Town's colours for our occasional "Mini Hatters" series.

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Gavin McGowan

Born: Blackheath 16.1.76

Previous club: Arsenal

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Luton Town record: 52 appearances



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Hatters Chatter

stars of the future

WE PRIDE ourselves on regularly publishing pictures of football stars in our matchday magazine. But we have to confess we are not quite sure how many stars of the future are in this photograph.

We do know that they all have considerable soccer talent, because the picture shows some of the latest groups of boys who have been signed up by the club through our centres of excellence.

The operation is one of those behind-the-scenes jobs that goes on every week of the year as we search for the next generation of league footballers.

Dean Rastrick is our youth development officer, heading an operation which depends heavily on the goodwill, expertise and enthusiasm of a bunch of around 40 people, including scouts, team managers and coaches.

The picture is of the under-14s, under-15s and under-16s, but in all we have well over 100 boys registered with Luton Town, and the centres of excellence cater for lads from the age of eight upwards.

They come from far and near, and gratifyingly we find we can compete with wealthier clubs in the never-ending quest to find boys with that extra touch of ability that will give them a chance to be professional footballers when they leave school.

Dean recalled: "We have one boy who joined us after being chased by several big clubs. He was flown up to Old Trafford and given the red carpet

treatment there, and he was also invited in by Aston Villa and Arsenal. But his dad didn't like certain things he saw in those clubs, and his is still with our under-14 group.

"Families need to know the boys are in good hands, and that they will get a fair crack of the whip, and we have proved that to be the case here at Luton."

The current crop come from an area stretching from South London to Northampton, and from Gloucestershire to Huntingdon, and they have to be keen, to attend coaching and training sessions in Luton, Milton Keynes or Dunstable.

Needless to say, the operation costs a lot of money, and we are delighted to put on record the club's appreciation of the help in that respect we get from the Murtagh Group, the construction and demolition company based in Titan Court, Laporte Way, just round the corner from Kenilworth Road.

Time and again they have helped with the cost of equipment and kit, never asking for anything in return. We may not know for years just how valuable their help is to Luton Town, but we do know we would struggle without their support.

With money tight, our current list of professionals underlines the success of our work with youngsters: there are 26 names on it, and incredibly 19 came up through the Kenilworth Road ranks, via the youth team. One day, some of the lads in the picture will, hopefully, be added to that list.



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Blast FROM THE Past

Roger Wash

Clashes with the Cherries



Today's opponents, Bournemouth, entered the Football League in 1923 and we got off to a great start when the sides first clashed in Division Three (South) in the 1923/24 season.

The first meeting took place at Kenilworth Road in December 1923 with Andy Kerr bagging four as the Town ran out emphatic 6-2 winners. Kerr followed this up with a brace in a 3-2 victory at Dean Court in the return the following week.

Bournemouth returned the compliment the following season and then games fell into a pattern of each side winning on their home soil.

The Hatters were 3-0 up after 20 minutes during the home clash with the Cherries in 1927/28 and after both Sid Reid and Jimmy Yardley contrived to miss open goals the away side managed to claw back to level the score, and it was the Town players who were anxiously waiting for the final whistle at the end.

Two seasons later we inflicted the Cherries first away defeat in four months when beating them 1-0 at Kenilworth Road and, still smarting from this defeat, the referee had to call both teams together for a lecture in the corresponding game in the following campaign as matters got out of hand. Bournemouth won through in the end, 2-3, but both sides were left with a few walking wounded according to the match reports.

The fixture compilers of the day decreed that Luton and Bournemouth were close enough geographically to be regarded as local rivals and made the teams play each other home and away over Christmas 1932.

Tom Alderson netted both Town goals in the 2-0 win at Dean Court to earn us our first away win of the campaign but we spoilt things somewhat when going down 1-2 in the return the following

day. Alderson, no doubt, regarded it as a reasonable Christmas though, as he scored the Town's consolation goal.

We achieved the double again in 1934/35, but during our promotion campaign two years later, when we were fully expected to repeat the feat, we went down 1-2 at Dean Court. Our excuse for this setback was that Joe Payne, who had scored the only goal in the match at Kenilworth Road earlier in the campaign, was absent through injury.

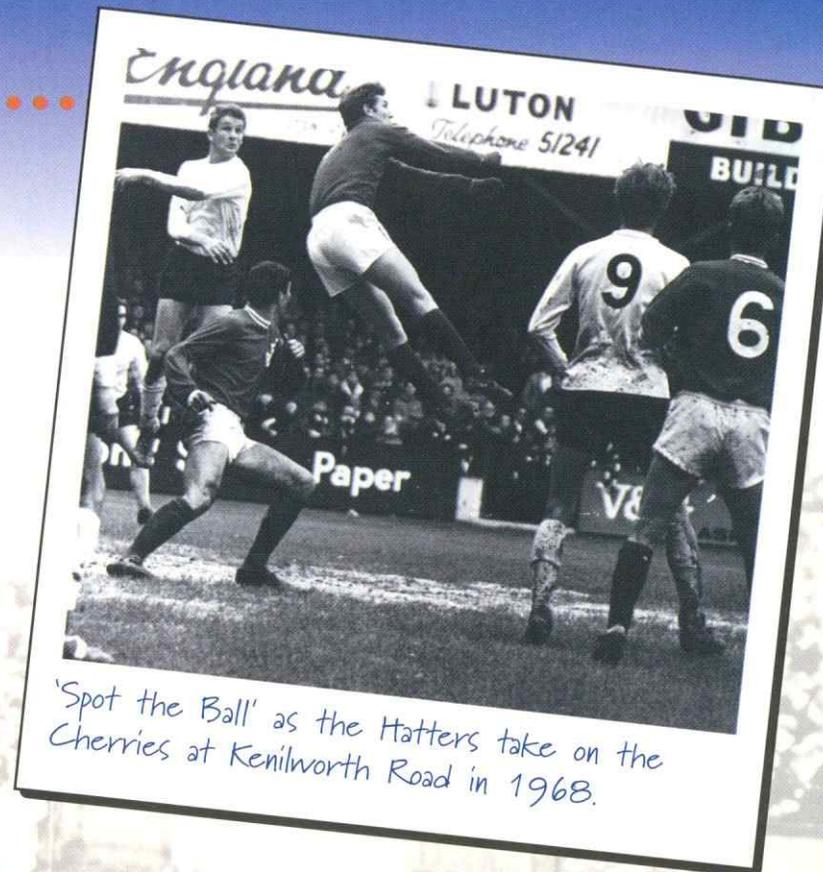
Following our promotion we had to wait until 1963/64 before paths crossed again and a solitary goal from Gareth Salisbury earned both points in the clash at Kenilworth Road in October 1963.

We then lost three consecutive games to the Cherries leading up to our relegation in 1965 with our performances in those matches giving a snapshot of how poor we were in probably the bleakest time in our history.

Rejuvenated, we returned to the old Division Three in 1968 after our spell in the basement but Bournemouth tried to halt our continuing rise through the divisions by becoming the first team to take a point at Kenilworth Road when drawing 1-1 at the end of November 1968.

By the time of the return in February 1969, our hopes of consecutive promotions had all but disappeared on the back of terrible performances away from Kenilworth Road. A trip to Bournemouth with an injury weakened side did not fill the Town supporters with hope, especially as the team had to fight through atrocious conditions to reach the south coast, which was the only part of the country not blanketed by a thick coat of snow.

On a rock hard pitch the players rolled up their sleeves and astonished everyone by turning in a tremendous performance. Keith Allen, for a big man, showed remarkable balance on the icy surface and was the star of the show as goals



'Spot the Ball' as the Hatters take on the Cherries at Kenilworth Road in 1968.

from Fred Jardine and Laurie Sheffield confirmed a 2-0 victory. Promotion was on again!

Unfortunately, we narrowly missed out and instead returned to Dean Court for our opening away game in the following season. This time we had new signing Malcolm Macdonald in our ranks and he netted the only goal, his first for the club. Finding himself in splendid isolation after picking up an astute pass from skipper Mike Keen, he calmly rounded Cherries goalkeeper, Roger Jones, before slipping the ball into the net.

The return was played two months later and again Bournemouth attempted to spoil the party in holding us to a 0-0 draw in front of a Kenilworth Road crowd of 18,065, our biggest of the season.

This time we made no mistake with our promotion bid and a lot of water had passed under the bridge before we next clashed with the Cherries 27 years later.

By late October 1996 we had finally begun to find our feet at our new level after a disastrous start to the season, and a brace of goals from Tony Thorpe in a 2-0 victory over the Cherries at Kenilworth Road made it seven games undefeated for the Town as we pushed up the table.

Since that time, unfortunately, we have failed to overcome Bournemouth in six attempts and it is beginning to look as if they are approaching 'bogey team' status. We went down narrowly 2-3 at Dean Court in November 1996 and although we scraped a draw in the corresponding fixture in 1997/98 we went down 1-2 at Kenilworth Road in the return at a time when relegation seemed a distinct possibility.

Last season another defeat at Dean Court was followed by a 2-2 draw at Kenilworth Road in a game that was ours after we went into a two goal lead. Further disappointment was to follow this season at Dean Court when we went down to a late strike from the Cherries after Andrew Fotiadis had hit the bar with a lob.

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School Years 4 to 8 (Advanced)

Wed 23rd & Thur 24th
School Years 1 to 3



ntl: SCHOOL VISIT PROJECT



February half term just around the corner and already our coaches have been to lots of schools in our area and with all our old friends contacting us, as well as a few new ones, the School Visit Project 2000 is well and truly under way. In fact, believe it or not, we are already booking schools in for visits well into May - so please contact us well in advance of when you would like us to visit.

As many schools now know, the Project is jointly funded by NTL and Sportsmatch and aims to provide curriculum time PE and football coaching in schools to pupils of all abilities. What some

schools may not know, however, is that we are able to stretch the curriculum, which we know is overloaded, to include early morning sessions and lunchtimes. We already run two breakfast clubs in Luton and Toddington which sees our coaches and pupils playing at 7.30 in the morning - we are really impressed with their attitude and dedication and also to the mums and dads who make the school run even earlier than normal!

If you would like your school to take part in the School Visit Project 2000 or would like further information then simply contact the Community & Schools Dept., at the Club and we will be happy to answer any questions you may have or to book a visit for the school. The number to ring is 01582 411622 - we look forward to hearing from you.



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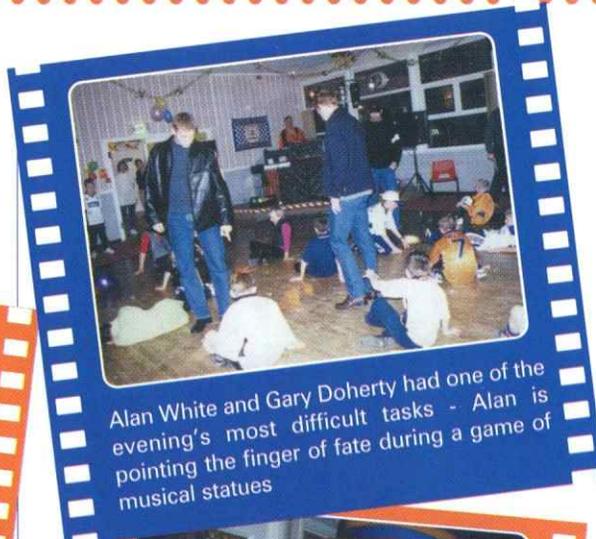
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Junior Hatters

welcome

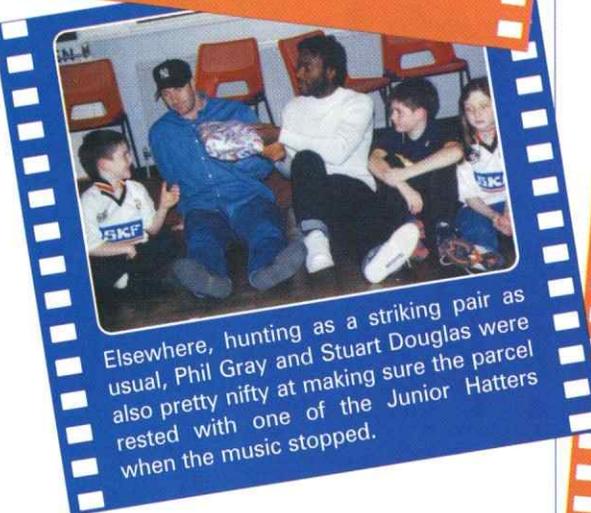
WE HAVE taken extra space in the programme today because we have now got our pictures from the Junior Hatters Millennium Party - and as you can see we had a wonderful time.



Alan White and Gary Doherty had one of the evening's most difficult tasks - Alan is pointing the finger of fate during a game of musical statues



Happy Harry was a popular guest, although he had to sweat a little to keep up the pace of the disco dancing.



Elsewhere, hunting as a striking pair as usual, Phil Gray and Stuart Douglas were also pretty nifty at making sure the parcel rested with one of the Junior Hatters when the music stopped.



Harry, just one of the star turns, is pictured with some of the young supporters, while Matthew Taylor was snapped enjoying a game of pass the parcel.



Our thanks to all who contributed to a night the youngsters will remember for a long time.

Best of all, all the Town first team players attended, and they joined in the fun to make sure that everyone enjoyed themselves.

The photographs give a flavour of the fun and games, at the Luton Co-op Club, and to complete a party of disco, food and drink, every Junior Hatter went home with a present.

ONE of the most popular features of Junior Hatters membership is the chance to visit other clubs, at bargain prices, and see the Town in action at away games. We are planning a trip to Bury next Saturday, leaving Luton at 9.30 am and getting home at about 9pm. We will join up with the Young Shakers in their club room before the game, and the price is £10 for Junior Hatters and £13 for others, including a match ticket. You can book at the Town ticket office in Kenilworth Road, in person or by phone to Luton 416976.



We had a good day out at Blackpool, but have to admit that the Junior Hatters did not do quite as well on the field as

the Town team did - we went down to a narrow defeat in the half-time penalty shoot-out competition against our Blackpool counterparts. But our squad still enjoyed the day, and are pictured getting a rousing round of applause on their lap of honour around Bloomfield Road.



TWO mascots were on duty for the Town against Reading, with another supporting the Royals making it three in attendance for the pre-match ritual in the centre circle. Pictured with the officials and skippers are Junior Hatters mascot Jay Norman, who is five, and the day's commercial mascot, 11-year-old James Falconer.

OUR Saturday Club is in full swing for weekend home games, and offers very good value for Junior Hatters. We meet at Dallow School at 12 noon, and enjoy various games and quizzes before watching the match. It is fully supervised, and the price is £5 for Junior Hatters who have season tickets, or £9 with a match ticket included. We provide a lunch of sausage and chips, with a drink. Contact the ticket office in Kenilworth Road for more information.

Today's Mascot



IT'S A real family outing when Ricky Allsop comes to Luton Town. He attends matches regularly with his dad, granddad, uncles and cousins, and this afternoon they will enjoy seeing Ricky being part of the day's entertainment.

He has been chosen to be the Junior Hatters mascot, which means he meets his favourites close up. He will join the team in the dressing room before the game, take part in the kick-about, and then accompany skipper Marvin Johnson to the centre circle for the toss-up.

Ricky is eight, and has been coming to football since he was four. Many Luton people will recognise the name of W. H. Allsop, and the family are long-time supporters and currently watch matches from an executive box. Ricky lives at Heathfield Close, Caddington, goes to Heathfield Lower School, and plays football for Heathfield FC. He also likes to spend time on his computer.

Naturally, he likes every Luton Town player, but for him one of the best treats of the day will be an introduction to Liam George, because the striker is Ricky's favourite.

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Hatters On Card

Alan Robinson

THROUGHOUT the 1960s football-crazy lads avidly collected the annual soccer issues produced by the A & B C Gum Company, even though few of us ever managed to complete a full set, because they usually consisted of more than 200 or 300 cards.

In 1975 the firm was taken over by Topps Bazooka, but luckily, for a few years at least, they continued to give away football cards with their gum.

There was even a bonus for Luton Town fans, for whereas the A B & C organisation had ignored Town players in their latter sets, several Hatters featured on the Topps productions, including Paul Futcher, who was on No. 159 of the 1977 issue.

There had been a few eyebrows raised in Luton in the summer of 1974 when Town manager Harry Haslam paid out £100,000 for an 18-year-old Chester defender who had played only 20 league games.

At the time Luton were preparing for a season back in the top flight - their first since 1960 - and they soon found the going tough. Rooted to the bottom at Christmas, Haslam decided to introduce the young defender, along with his twin brother Ron, who was a striker who had come to Kenilworth Road as part of the summer deal.

The transformation was startling, with Paul adding class and maturity to an over-worked defence, while his brother began scoring much-needed goals. On his Boxing Day debut Ron scored a last-minute winner against champions Ipswich at Portman Road - they were then managed by Haslam's long-time pal Bobby Robson. A hat-trick in a 3-2 home win against Wolves followed, but the gap between us and safety was too large, despite an excellent second half of the season, and we were relegated.

However, Paul continued to blossom in the old Second Division, and a big future was predicted for him. In December 1976 he was picked for the very first England under-21 team, and his displays at the back helped keep Luton's

promotion hopes alive, despite the club's dire financial plight at the time. Looking back, it is amazing that the Town managed to hang on to their star for as long as they did. Kenilworth Road

continued to admire his cool and stylish play, and exquisite passing, for two more seasons before the inevitable transfer went through. We lost his services for a spell after November 1977, when a car crash left him seriously injured, and although Futcher made a full recovery and returned to league action in January, there are those who thought he was never the same player afterwards.

In the summer of 1978 Town's new young manager, David Pleat, sold the Futcher twins to Manchester City for £350,000. But after only 37 outings Paul moved on to Oldham in 1980, and three years later he was off to Derby. But it was at Barnsley where he finally settled in the league, in a seven-year spell which included 230 league



Topps Chewing Gum Inc
Footballers (Red Back) 1977

appearances.

In 1990, now aged 34, he moved on to Lowly Halifax, but after only 15 matches was given another chance by First Division Grimsby, and he played on at Blundell Park for four more seasons. His final league appearance after a long and distinguished career was made in the 1994/95 season.

He turned to management and coaching, with a brief spell as boss of Darlington followed by a return to more active work - Futcher was player-manager at Gresley Rovers in the 1996/97 season, and led them to the Doc Martens championship. But they were denied promotion to the Conference by ground regulations, and that summer Futcher moved on to Southport, again as player-manager. He left there a couple of months ago.

Most of these Topps cards are fairly easily obtainable at the moment, but interest is rapidly growing for some of the earlier bubble-gum issues, with prices being quoted in pounds rather than pence for some examples.

Action Replay

Luton Town 3 Reading 1 (HT 1-0)

Brian Swain reports

AS Lennie Lawrence and John Moore prepared the Town to face Reading, unspoken worries were just below the surface. Five men who would have been in the squad were missing. A loan signing, to replace one in midfield, had fallen through at the last minute.

But if the team was makeshift, there was nothing remotely ramshackle about a performance which blew away opposition rich in transfer prices but very poor in spirit and self-belief.

After Reading nicked an equaliser, it was the Town who responded, with two more goals to complete our second double of the season and return to the top half of the league table.

Matthew Spring and Matthew Taylor were the latest absentees, both suspended, as was Alan White. Paul McLaren was out injured, and Efe Sodje was enjoying the sunshine of Nigeria while Kenilworth Road shivered on a cold and windy day.

Gavin McGowan and Andre Scarlett came in for their first starts of the season, and slotted into a team pattern that was always too classy for relegation-threatened Reading. Julian Watts edged the man of the match award from a queue of contenders, notably Phil Gray and two-goal Liam George.

The manager was, like the supporters, delighted with just about everything we had seen on a day when the squad was tested like never before this season.

"We haven't had much on the bench on a lot of occasions this season, but the first team has been more or less intact," said the manager. "Today was a real test. Gavin McGowan had to come back after six months out. Andre Scarlett had to do a job and so did Adam Locke with Matthew Spring not there. Emmerson Boyce had to maintain his form. We had to defend better. And the front three had to do the business. All those things had to be done, and they were."

He picked out two key features: the return to scoring form of George, and the team's response to being pegged back to 1-1. Watts had given us the lead after 18 minutes, with his first goal for the club, from a well-rehearsed routine from Locke's free kick and Gary Doherty's imperious header across the face of the goal.

Nathan Abbey and a linesman took the rap for the 61st-minute equaliser by Darren Caskey, who looked offside when he chased a pass over the

top by former Town favourite Sean Evers. Abbey sold himself with a dive at Caskey's feet that missed the ball completely.

The keeper atoned handsomely later on, spreading himself to foil Keith Scott when Reading thought a second equaliser was there for the taking. By then Gray had been cruelly robbed of a goal by a handball decision as he controlled a cross by Douglas before shooting home, and George had turned to fire in his 13th goal of the season from another expertly-weighted chip by Locke.

Abbey's excellent save snuffed out Reading's revival hopes, and they were buried without trace in the final minute when Gray produced a perceptive through-ball and George ran through to rifle in his second goal of the game.

Match Details

Luton Town: Abbey, Boyce, Watts, Doherty, Johnson, Scarlett, McGowan, Locke, Douglas (Fotiadis 81 mins), George, Gray. Unused subs: Fraser, Ayres, Kandol, Tate.

Booked: Phil Gray, 65 mins, for dissent, after his goal was ruled out for hands; Gavin McGowan, 87 mins, foul on Martin Williams.

Reading: Howie, Primus, Bernal (Williams 71 mins), Polston, Gurney, Parkinson, Caskey, Gray (Nicholls 83 mins), Forster, Scott, Smith (Evers 33 mins).

Booked: Keith Scott, 40 mins, for dissent; Linvoy Primus, 62 mins, foul on Stuart Douglas.

The goals: 1-0 18 mins - Julian Watts, close range tap-in after Gary Doherty headed the ball across the face of goal from a free kick by Adam Locke; 1-1 61 mins - Darren Caskey, perhaps offside, taking a pass by Sean Evers and nipping around Nathan Abbey on the edge of the box before shooting into an empty net; 2-1 69 mins - Liam George shooting on the turn after another precise delivery by Locke; 3-1 90 mins - George again, running clear and shooting in from an angle after Phil Gray's pass split the Reading defence.

Referee: Richard Beeby, Northampton.

Attendance: 6,044, including 691 visiting fans.



● THE CLINCHER: Liam George fires in the third goal, capitalising on a defence-splitting pass by Phil Gray.

● (Right) SHADES OF GRAY: Stuart Gray of Reading tries to clear despite the close attention of Phil Gray.

● (Below right) GET STUCK IN: Liam George, always a handful for the Reading defence, gets airborne in competition with Linvoy Primus.

● (Below left) WELCOME BACK: Gavin McGowan returned to league football against Reading after a long injury absence, with a wing-back display which delighted manager Lennie Lawrence. Andy Gurney is the man in competition with him.



Action Replay

Cardiff City 1 Luton Town 3 (HT 2-0)

Brian Swain reports

A GOOD professional performance was Lennie Lawrence's summing-up of our best away win since last season's trip to Fulham. Ninian Park on a windy Sunday morning was not the most inviting of places, but it was the home side that seemed to dislike the time and place most.

Without a win in six attempts since they entertained Reading on Boxing Day, Cardiff were blown away by the Town's measured, controlled football.

It is tempting to report how good the Town were without acknowledging the other side of the coin - Cardiff were nervous and a touch frightened from the first whistle, and once Julian Watts headed the opening goal after 21 minutes, Town fans had the delight of watching a game they knew was going their way.

The job was done with ruthless efficiency, with three goals knocked in by the 56th minute, and then a defensive stroll which was almost mickey-taking against a team being barracked by its own supporters. Cardiff's last-minute reply was but a minor blemish, but denied us the clean sheet deserved by every player doing his bit.

Stuart Fraser came back because Marvin Johnson was ill during the night at the team hotel, and accepted a defensive role with considerable confidence. Andre Scarlett, in midfield again because Adam Locke was suspended, concentrated on doing the simple things well.

And the most pleasing feature was to see goals scored so expertly away from home after it had taken us until mid-January to get three anywhere on our travels. Blackpool and Cardiff may not be the best teams we have met this season, but Cardiff went into the match with only three home defeats on their record, and the Town manager said: "We put in an excellent performance - earlier in the season we had real problems against teams like that."

Phil Gray epitomises the difference: he is back

on form, with Liam George enjoying the spin-off as well, and the wily veteran striker showed that he can play a bit at the other end of the park as well. After creating openings for our second and third goals, Gray was used in a withdrawn position to take the sting out of Cardiff's increasingly-frantic efforts to get back into the game.

He was as big a stumbling block to the home attack as any regular defender, and it needed Cardiff's best attacking move of the game to give them their late consolation.

Match Details

Luton Town: Abbey, Boyce, Watts, Doherty, Fraser, George, Scarlett, Douglas (Fotiadis 78 mins), Spring, Gray, McGowan. Unused subs: Ayres, Kandol, Stirling, Tate.

Booked: No-one.

Cardiff: Hallworth, Legg, Perrett, Ford, Boland (Bowen 57 mins), Bonner, Nugent, Eckhardt (Faerber 57 mins), Carpenter, Humphreys, Low. Unused subs: Fowler, Schwinkendorf and Ian Feuer on a one-month trial contract.

Booked: Mark Bonner, 89 mins, foul on Stuart Fraser.

The goals: 0-1 21 mins - Julian Watts close-range header after Liam George crossed from the left and Gary Doherty headed the ball back into the danger area; 0-2 45 mins: Matthew Spring, collecting Phil Gray's lay-off and holding off Mike Ford before sliding in his eighth goal of the season; 0-3 56 mins - Liam George, clinical low shot after Gray returned an attempted clearance by Cardiff into the penalty area; 1-3 89 mins - Jason Bowen, sharp finish, after a good exchange of passes down the middle with Kevin Nugent.

Referee: Chris Foy, Surrey.

Attendance: 6,185, including 286 well-behaved visiting fans.



● (Top left) IT'S THERE: Julian Watts watches his header give the Town the lead, with his second goal in consecutive matches.

● (Top right) TWO UP: Matthew Spring slides in his eight goal of the season to double our lead in stoppage time at the end of the first half at Ninian Park.

● (Left) ONE BEATS TWO: Liam George on the ball, going past defenders two at a time.



● CROWDED OUT: Phil Gray, a potent attacker in the first half, and resolute defender in the second, inches short of a scoring contact as Cardiff goalkeeper Jon Hallworth spreads himself.

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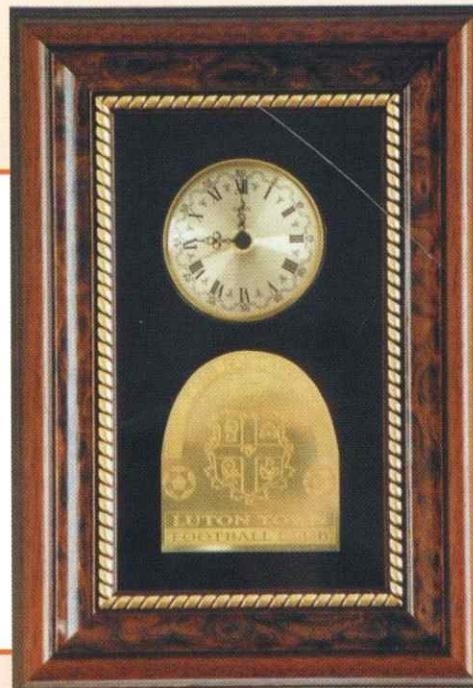
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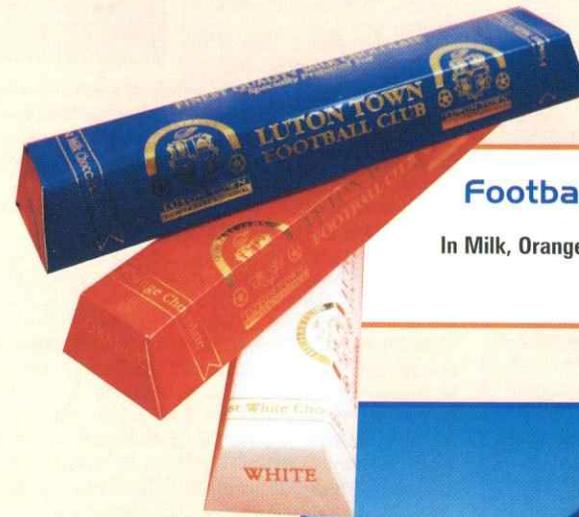
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ANOTHER defeat in the Avon Insurance Combination was hardly surprising for a weakened squad which included two trialists, and was up against a Rangers team that

had four internationals, including our old friend Iain Dowie.

We gave them a good game, but twice we were guilty of poor defending at set pieces, and that, plus our failure to make the best of our chances, cost us the match.

We started quite brightly, but after about 20 minutes Rangers started to overpower us a little, even though they did not create much in the way of scoring chances. Andrew Fotiadis played, despite feeling unwell before the game, and was doing all right until he got a bang on the head and had to be subbed after 37 minutes. Tresor Kandol got in his first full 90 minutes since Christmas, and although it was good to see him back he found the going hard. Michael McIndoe also completed 90 minutes, and physically he got through very well.

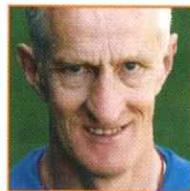
Our trialists were centre-back Aaron Barnett, from Erith and Belvedere, a centre-back who has been with Charlton, and Andy Smith, son of England physio Alan, who played in midfield. He is available from Barnsley, and we will probably take another look at both of them next Wednesday, in an away game at Barnet.

Overall, QPR's greater body strength gave them the

edge as the game went on, but we played well enough to have had a goal or two ourselves. Kandol put a header wide from six yards, and McIndoe miss hit a shot when a goal seemed likely.

But in the end it was a fair result. Dowie laid on the first goal with a typical headed knock-down from a free kick after 25 minutes, and another free kick led to the second goal after 75 minutes.

Luton Town: Tate, Jerry, Stirling, Moran, Ayres, Barnett, Smith, Fotiadis (Clarke 74 mins, replaced by Barriteau 74 mins), Kandol, McIndoe, Minton. Unused subs: Mansell, Dogbe, Ward.



Reserve team appearances, including as sub: Kandol 12, Ayres 12, Stirling 12, Scarlett 11, Jerry 11, Boyce 10, Tate 9, McIndoe 8, Sodje 7, Moran 7, White 6, Locke 5, Ward 5, Zahana-Oni 4, Minton 4, Fotiadis 4, Mansell 3, O'Connor 3, Graham 3, Clarke 3, Barriteau 3, McGowan 3, Read 2, Gray 2, Pearson 2, Davis 2, Brkovic 2, Dogbe 2, Mortara 2, Fraser 2, Harrison 2, Carroll 1, Barnett 1, Smith 1, Cummings 1, Thorpe 1, Jones 1, Hunt 1, Bowes 1, O'Brien 1, Ryan 1, Jack 1, Antunes 1, McKinnon 1, Esteban 1, Quailey 1, Whitby 1.

Goals: Kandol 8, Jerry 2, McIndoe 1, Fotiadis 1, OG 1.

OUR NEXT match in the Avon Insurance Combination is on Wednesday at Barnet, kick-off 2pm, and the following Wednesday we are away to Southend (7pm).

Avon Insurance Combination Results and Fixtures

AUG	Wed 18	Bristol City	H	1-3 (Kandol)
SEPT	Wed 1	Portsmouth	A	0-1
	Wed 8	Swindon	H	0-1
	Tue 28	Oxford	A	2-4 (Jerry, Kandol)
OCT	Wed 6	Wycombe	H	5-2 (Kandol 4, OG)
	Wed 13	Brighton	A	2-1 (Jerry, Kandol)
	Wed 27	Bristol Rov	A	0-0
NOV	Wed 3	Norwich	H	1-1 (Kandol)
	Wed 17	Ipswich	A	0-2
DEC	Wed 1	Colchester	H	1-1 (McIndoe)
	Wed 22	Peterborough	H	0-4
JAN	Wed 12	Cambridge Utd	A	1-3 (Fotiadis)
	Wed 19	Northampton	H	0-1
FEB	Wed 2	QPR	H	0-2
	Wed 9	Barnet	A	2pm
	Wed 16	Southend	A	7pm
	Wed 23	Millwall	H	2pm
MAR	Wed 1	L. Orient	A	2pm
	Wed 29	Gillingham	H	2pm
APRIL	Wed 5	Bournemouth	H	2pm
	Wed 12	Fulham	A	2pm

Avon Insurance Combination, Division One

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Ipswich	12	9	3	0	35	17	30
Swindon	13	9	2	2	26	14	29
QPR	13	8	3	2	31	12	27
Millwall	12	7	4	1	24	11	25
Peterborough	14	7	3	4	29	16	24
Portsmouth	11	7	1	3	19	13	22
Fulham	12	6	3	3	18	12	21
Bristol City	9	5	3	1	17	11	18
Bournemouth	12	5	3	4	17	21	18
Leyton Orient	13	5	2	6	18	28	17
Norwich	14	3	6	5	17	17	15
Cambridge	13	4	3	6	17	22	15
Oxford	14	4	2	8	24	32	14
Brighton	9	4	1	4	17	17	13
Bristol Rovers	10	2	4	4	15	14	10
Gillingham	9	3	1	5	8	12	10
Southend	12	3	1	8	18	30	10
Colchester	12	2	4	6	14	28	10
Northampton	11	2	3	6	13	19	9
Luton Town	13	2	3	8	13	24	9
Wycombe	10	2	1	7	11	23	7
Barnet	10	1	2	7	12	20	5

Youth Soccer

THE FOOTBALL LEAGUE
YOUTH ALLIANCE



Paul Lowe



Walsall 2 Luton Town 0

THE RESULT at Lilleshall was a massive disappointment because our team performance was not as bad as the scoreline in the

Football League Youth Alliance suggests. We were only one down until the last minute, when we were chasing the game, and before then we might easily have snatched an equaliser.

Walsall made the better start, but we soaked up their early pressure fairly comfortably, and denied them any clear-cut opportunities. We forced our way into contention, but were caught out by a long ball over the top. Ryan Moran, out last defender, knew he should have done better as an attacker bundled him off the ball and went on to score.

But our attack looked promising, and Darren Clarke was unlucky with a good shot which hit the goalkeeper's legs, and another chance went begging when from a corner Moran had a free header, but put the ball straight to the keeper.

The first half had been even in terms of possession, and in the second we showed more urgency and desire, and it looked as though we would get something out of the game. But the nearest we came was from another shot by schoolboy Darren Crane, which was tipped over the bar, and as we pressed forward we were short of numbers at the back when Walsall mounted a counter-attack and scored from the last kick of the game.

But there were plenty of good points, including impressive performances by Joe Deeney and Crane, and the result certainly flattered Walsall.

Luton Town: Ward, Deeney, Moran, Stirling, Dogbe, Mansell, Jerry, Minton, Crane (Mortara 55 mins), Clarke (Jeffrey 65 mins), Barriteau. Unused subs: Carroll, Wraight (GK).

WE WERE away to West Brom this morning in the Football League Youth Alliance, and next Saturday, February 12, we entertain Cambridge Utd at Luton RFC, Newlands Road, Farley Hill. Kick-off is 11am and spectators are welcome - there is no charge for admission.

Youth team appearances, including as sub: Mortara 22, Moran 22, Clarke 22, Carroll 20, Stirling 20, Mansell 20, Barriteau 19, Dogbe 19, Ayres 15, Jerry 15, Deeney 13, Mentore 12, Jeffrey 12, Wraight 11, Ward 10, Minton 10, Flaherty 6, Kandol 5, Crane 5, Oughan 3, Thresher 3, Milton 2, Coktas 2, de Freitas 2, Talbot 2, Tate 1, Dostdogru 1, Cooper 1, Miller 1, Wilson 1, Osborn 1, Nurse 1.

Goals: Stirling 6, Clarke 4, Ayres 3, Jeffrey 3, Kandol 3, Moran 3, Flaherty 2, Jerry 1, Mentore 1, OG 2.

Football League Youth Alliance South Central Conference

AUG	Sat 14	Walsall	H	0-0
	Sat 21	West Brom	H	2-1 (Kandol 2)
	Sat 28	Cambridge Utd	A	1-4 (Ayres)
SEPT	Sat 4	Notts Co	H	2-1 (Ayres, Stirling pen)
	Sat 18	Oxford Utd	H	1-1 (Jerry)
	Sat 25	Wolves	A	0-5
OCT	Sat 2	Northampton	H	3-1 (Jeffrey, Clarke, Stirling)
	Sat 16	Shrewsbury	A	0-2
	Wed 20	Sutton Utd (FAYC1)	H	2-0 (Moran, Flaherty)
	Sat 23	Southend (FLAYC)	A	1-2 (Ayres)
NOV	Sat 6	Cambridge (FLYAC)	H	1-2 (OG)
	Wed 10	Maidenhead (FAYC2)	H	5-0 (Clarke 2, Stirling 2, Jeffrey)
	Sat 13	Barnet (FLYAC)	A	0-1
	Sat 20	Colchester (FLYAC)	H	0-1
	Sat 27	Notts Co	A	0-0
Mon 29	Welling (FAYC3)	A	3-1 (Flaherty, Jeffrey, Clarke)	
DEC	Sat 11	Oxford Utd	A	2-2 (Stirling, Moran)
	Sat 18	Wolves	H	2-2 (OG, Kandol)
	Sat 8	Shrewsbury	H	1-3 (Stirling)
JAN	Tues 11	Southampton (FAYC4)	A	0-4
	Sat 15	Northampton	A	2-0 (Moran, Mentore)
	Sat 22	Walsall	A	0-2
FEB	Sat 5	West Brom	A	
	Sat 12	Cambridge Utd	H	
MAR	Wed 1	Cup quarter-final		
	Wed 22	Cup semi-final		
APR	Sun 16	Cup final		

League Table

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Cambridge	13	7	4	2	26	13	25
Walsall	14	7	3	4	26	20	24
Wolves	14	6	4	4	22	20	22
West Brom	13	6	1	6	29	21	19
Luton Town	14	4	5	6	16	23	17
Oxford	11	4	4	3	15	18	16
Notts Co	12	3	5	4	11	10	14
Shrewsbury	15	3	4	8	19	31	13
Northampton	12	3	2	7	18	26	11

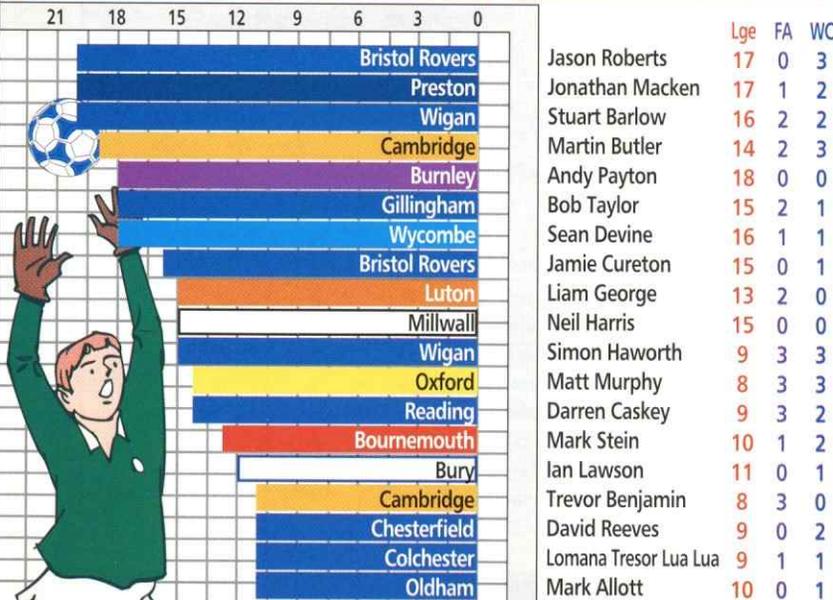
Current form guide - the last six Division 2 games.

Team	W	D	L	F	A	Pts	Sequence	Team	W	D	L	F	A	Pts	Sequence
Preston	4	1	1	14	5	13	WWLWWD	Bury	2	2	2	9	8	8	DLDDWW
Colchester	4	1	1	12	9	13	LWVWWD	Chesterfield	2	2	2	4	6	8	DWLDWL
Oldham	4	1	1	7	3	13	WLWVWD	Reading	1	4	1	6	6	7	WLDDDD
Bristol Rovers	4	0	2	16	9	12	WWWLWL	Scunthorpe	2	1	3	5	9	7	LDWLLW
Luton	3	2	1	14	8	11	WVLDWD	Blackpool	1	3	2	8	8	6	LWDDDL
Stoke	3	2	1	7	5	11	DLWVWD	Brentford	2	0	4	5	9	6	WWLLLL
Wigan	3	2	1	7	3	11	DDLWVW	Bournemouth	1	2	3	6	9	5	DLLDLW
Wycombe	3	1	2	10	7	10	LLVDWV	Gillingham	1	2	3	6	10	5	DLLDLW
Bristol City	2	4	0	4	2	10	DDWDWD	Cambridge	1	2	3	4	5	5	WDLDDL
Millwall	2	3	1	8	8	9	LWDDDW	Notts County	1	2	3	4	6	5	LDDVDL
Wrexham	3	0	3	7	6	9	WLWVLL	Cardiff	0	3	3	3	10	3	LLDDLD
Burnley	2	2	2	11	11	8	DWDLWL	Oxford	0	1	5	4	17	1	LLLLLL

When Clubs have scored goals... and conceded them

0-15	16-30	31-45	46-60	61-75	76-90	Team	0-15	16-30	31-45	46-60	61-75	76-90
1	6	11	10	4	8	Bournemouth	7	9	6	7	9	6
6	3	6	8	0	7	Blackpool	2	5	7	10	8	16
4	5	5	9	9	7	Brentford	2	4	6	6	5	15
0	2	5	5	8	11	Bristol City	4	3	3	6	7	8
3	7	6	12	8	10	Bristol Rovers	2	1	1	2	8	8
5	4	8	5	6	11	Burnley	4	3	5	3	7	2
5	3	4	10	8	8	Bury	2	1	7	6	8	11
2	4	7	5	9	5	Cambridge United	6	6	4	9	4	12
2	3	4	6	6	6	Cardiff City	3	8	5	9	7	8
1	1	2	3	5	5	Chesterfield	3	2	7	9	6	4
1	3	6	9	8	11	Colchester United	7	6	9	11	8	14
5	11	4	7	8	9	Gillingham	4	2	2	8	9	8
4	5	8	8	5	10	Luton Town	2	5	3	11	10	8
4	5	4	11	6	13	Millwall	3	3	3	9	6	7
7	3	8	6	8	7	Notts County	0	6	4	6	6	8
4	3	5	2	6	11	Oldham Athletic	4	3	5	3	10	7
5	3	2	3	6	5	Oxford United	3	6	6	7	7	16
1	6	6	11	15	11	Preston North End	4	2	3	5	5	4
2	4	2	6	6	11	Reading	3	6	6	11	8	12
2	5	4	6	3	7	Scunthorpe United	3	6	13	10	4	9
2	7	1	9	8	13	Stoke City	1	5	2	5	2	11
5	3	8	9	10	13	Wigan Athletic	3	6	1	3	4	5
2	3	2	9	6	6	Wrexham	3	6	10	10	6	5
5	7	6	8	3	6	Wycombe Wanderers	3	2	6	11	6	8

Nationwide Division Two Leading Goalscorers 1999-00



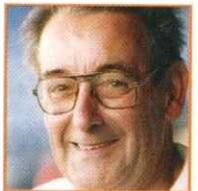
1999-00 Attendances

(Bands behind represent average gate as percentage of ground capacity)

100%	90%	80%	70%	60%	50%	40%	30%
Highest: 10,077							
Lowest: 5,397							
Average: 7,875							
Capacity: 10,800							
Highest: 7,453							
Lowest: 5,884							
Average: 6,600							
Capacity: 10,600							
Highest: 7,355							
Lowest: 4,318							
Average: 5,772							
Capacity: 9,572							
Highest: 7,205							
Lowest: 4,633							
Average: 5,664							
Capacity: 9,975							
Highest: 16,821							
Lowest: 8,506							
Average: 12,062							
Capacity: 21,412							
Highest: 7,042							
Lowest: 4,345							
Average: 5,333							
Capacity: 10,000							
Highest: 11,168							
Lowest: 4,523							
Average: 7,531							
Capacity: 14,660							
Highest: 14,218							
Lowest: 8,944							
Average: 10,880							
Capacity: 22,546							
Highest: 7,100							
Lowest: 4,286							
Average: 6,015							
Capacity: 12,763							
Highest: 16,011							
Lowest: 7,777							
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Lowest: 2,557							
Average: 3,469							
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Highest: 15,354							
Lowest: 7,054							
Average: 11,165							
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Highest: 7,872							
Lowest: 2,473							
Average: 4,121							
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Highest: 6,211							
Lowest: 3,162							
Average: 4,275							
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Highest: 5,336							
Lowest: 2,851							
Average: 3,996							
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Average: 5,703							
Capacity: 20,300							
Highest: 11,986							
Lowest: 4,338							
Average: 6,618							
Capacity: 25,000							

2nd Division Scene

Brian Swain



SUNDAY'S third away win of the season, and the third double, closed the gap between us and the play-off zone by two points, and cost Cardiff City manager Frank Burrows his job 24 hours later. His second spell in charge - he returned just two years ago and took Cardiff to promotion last summer - ended with his departure "by mutual consent."

The weekend's results left us eight points adrift of the top six, on a day when Wigan were knocked off the top by Bristol Rovers. Wigan were due to take on their nearest challengers Preston at the JJB Stadium, but Preston were in the FA Cup instead, losing to Premiership Everton to two goals in the last 26 minutes.

It probably means Graham Alexander and co are now even greater favourites for promotion after a weekend which saw a mixture of fortunes for a lot of former Luton men.

Gillingham pulled off the best cup result of the day, reaching the quarter finals for the first time in their history by beating Sheffield Wednesday, the latest blow to Danny Wilson and his attempts to stave off relegation at Hillsborough. Some consolation for him came 48 hours later, when he was named the

Premiership's manager of the month. Ian Holloway, of leaders Bristol Rovers, was the Second Division manager of the month.

Mark Stein, who should receive a warm welcome back this afternoon, celebrated his 34th birthday in style, netting his 14th goal of the season in a 1-1 draw with Scunthorpe at Dean Court.

Steve Davis was also a scorer on Saturday, but not too happy about it - he powered in a cracking headed own goal in Burnley's six-pointer at Stoke, but he and Mitchell Thomas got some pleasure out of the result, because Burnley fought back to draw 2-2 after Davis's OG made it 2-0 in the 71st minute. Graham Kavanagh had a penalty saved when he should have won it for Stoke, who come to Kenilworth Road on Tuesday evening.

The Second Division's other FA Cup representatives, Cambridge, were beaten at home by Bolton, and at the same time dropped to bottom because Chesterfield were making it a miserable afternoon for Ray Harford. The new coach of promotion hopefuls Millwall saw his team beaten 2-0 at Saltergate, the Lions' first defeat of the year.

Cambridge's reaction to the cup defeat and relegation threat was a touch surprising - having banked a healthy bonus from their FA Cup heroics, they promptly sold leading scorer Martin Butler to fellow strugglers Reading for £750,000.

Preston's reaction to their cup disappointment was to roar back to second place in the table on Tuesday with a 4-0 demolition of Oxford at the Manor Ground. Gillingham inched back to seventh, on goal difference about Notts County and Brentford, with a 0-0 draw at Chesterfield. The Spireites are fighting hard for survival: after a club record of 17 games without a win was set on their visit to Luton, they have climbed out of bottom place to within three points of the safety line with a run of only one defeat in the last five.

The Second Division

	HOME					AWAY					Pts	
	P	W	D	L	F A	W	D	L	F A			
Bristol Rov	28	10	3	1	21	8	8	2	4	25	14	59
Preston	27	10	1	2	23	12	7	6	1	27	11	58
Wigan	27	10	3	1	25	8	5	8	0	23	14	56
Millwall	29	8	5	1	22	11	6	4	5	21	20	51
Burnley	27	11	1	1	28	9	2	8	4	11	15	48
Stoke	28	6	6	3	20	15	7	3	3	20	11	48
Gillingham	26	8	2	3	26	15	4	5	4	18	18	43
Notts Co	28	6	3	5	21	16	6	4	4	18	14	43
Brentford	29	8	3	3	23	16	4	4	7	16	22	43
Luton Town	28	8	4	1	28	16	3	3	9	12	23	40
Oldham	28	6	3	5	18	13	4	4	6	13	19	37
Wycombe	28	7	3	4	22	18	2	6	6	13	18	36
Bournemouth	29	8	4	3	27	13	2	2	10	13	31	36
Bristol City	28	3	11	0	15	8	4	3	7	16	23	35
Colchester	29	6	3	5	23	25	3	4	8	15	30	34
Bury	26	5	6	3	26	23	2	5	5	12	12	32
Wrexham	28	4	5	4	14	14	3	5	7	14	26	31
Scunthorpe	28	4	2	8	11	21	3	5	6	16	24	28
Cardiff	28	3	7	4	14	19	2	3	9	13	21	25
Reading	27	4	8	3	16	14	1	2	9	15	32	25
Oxford	28	3	4	7	13	23	3	3	8			

	date	opposition	result	scorers	league place	attnd.	team
AUGUST	Sat 7	Notts Co	A 0-0		-	6,141	Abbey Fraser Watts White Johnson Douglas McLaren
	Tue 10	WC1 (1) Bristol Rov	H 0-2		-	2,984	Abbey Fraser Watts White Boyce Douglas McLaren
	Sat 14	Blackpool	H 3-2	George 2, Spring	7	5,176	Abbey Fraser Watts Doherty Johnson George McLaren
	Sat 21	Reading	A 2-1	Fotiadis, George	3	8,741	Abbey Fraser Watts Doherty Johnson George McLaren
	Wed 25	WC1 (2) Bristol Rov	A 2-2	Kandol, Doherty	3	4,414	Abbey Locke Sodje Boyce White Watts Gray
SEPT	Sat 28	Cardiff	H 1-0	Gray	2	5,374	Abbey Fraser Watts Doherty Johnson George McLaren
	Tues 31	Bournemouth	A 0-1		2	4,797	Abbey Fraser Watts Doherty Johnson George McLaren
	Sat 4	Bury	H 1-1	Fotiadis	5	4,633	Abbey Fraser Watts Doherty Johnson George McLaren
	Sat 11	Wrexham	H 3-1	Taylor, Spring, George	3	5,121	Abbey Fraser Watts Doherty Johnson George McLaren
	Sat 18	Brentford	A 0-2		5	7,039	Abbey Fraser Watts Doherty Johnson George Locke
OCTOBER	Sat 25	Oxford Utd	H 4-2	George 2, Fraser, Locke	3	6,102	Abbey Fraser Watts Doherty Johnson George Locke
	Sat 2	Wigan	A 0-1		8	6,866	Abbey Fraser Watts Doherty Johnson George Locke
	Sat 9	Oldham	A 1-2	Midgley	10	4,532	Abbey Fraser Watts Sodje Johnson Gray Locke
	Sat 16	Gillingham	H 3-1	George 2 (1pen), Douglas	7	6,394	Abbey Fraser Watts Doherty Johnson George Midgley
	Tue 19	Wycombe	H 1-1	Douglas	7	5,820	Abbey Fraser Watts Doherty Johnson George Midgley
NOVEMBER	Sat 23	Oxford Utd	A 1-0	George	7	5,866	Abbey Fraser Watts Doherty Johnson George Midgley
	Sat 30	Kingstonian (FA Cup 1)	H 4-2	Gray, George, Spring, Taylor	7	4,682	Abbey Fraser Watts Doherty Johnson George Gray
	Tue 2	Millwall	A 0-1		9	6,181	Abbey Boyce Watts Doherty Johnson George Midgley
	Sat 6	Burnley	H 2-1	Midgley 2	8	7,205	Abbey Boyce Watts Doherty Johnson George Midgley
	Fri 12	Cambridge Utd	A 1-3	George	9	6,211	Abbey Boyce Watts Doherty Johnson George Midgley
DECEMBER	Fri 19	Lincoln (FA Cup 2)	H 2-2	Doherty 2	10	4,291	Abbey Fraser Watts Doherty Johnson George Locke
	Tue 23	Preston	H 0-2		10	5,124	Abbey Fraser Watts Doherty Sodje George Midgley
	Sat 27	Bristol Rov	A 0-3		10	7,805	Abbey Fraser Watts Sodje Johnson George Doherty
	Tue 30	Lincoln (FA Cup 2R)	A 1-0	Douglas	10	3,822	Abbey Fraser Watts Sodje Johnson George Doherty
	Sat 4	Notts County	H 2-2	Doherty, Thorpe	11	5,195	Abbey Fraser Watts Doherty Johnson George Thorpe
JAN 2000	Tue 7	Oxford (AWS 1)	A 0-2		11	1,220	Abbey Fraser Sodje Ayres Johnson George Doherty
	Sat 11	Fulham (FA Cup 3)	A 2-2	George, Spring	10	8,251	Abbey Fraser Watts Sodje Johnson George Doherty
	Fri 17	Colchester	A 0-3		11	3,049	Abbey Fraser Watts Sodje Johnson George Thorpe
	Tues 21	Fulham (FA Cup 3R)	H 0-3		11	8,170	Abbey Fraser Watts Doherty Johnson George McLaren
	Sun 26	Chesterfield	H 1-1	Locke	13	5,870	Abbey Boyce Watts Doherty Johnson George Thorpe
FEB	Tue 28	Bristol City	A 0-0		12	11,832	Abbey Boyce Watts Doherty Johnson White Gray
	Mon 3	Scunthorpe	H 4-1	Spring 2, Douglas, Gray	11	5,574	Abbey Boyce Watts Doherty Johnson George Gray
	Sat 8	Stoke	A 1-2	Spring (pen)	12	10,016	Abbey Boyce Watts Doherty Johnson White Gray
	Sat 15	Blackpool	A 3-3	Locke, Gray, Taylor	13	5,262	Abbey Boyce Watts Doherty Johnson George Gray
	Sat 22	Reading	H 3-1	Watts, George 2	10	6,044	Abbey Boyce Watts Doherty Johnson George Gray
MARCH	Sun 30	Cardiff	A 3-1	Watts, Spring, George	10	6,185	Abbey Boyce Watts Doherty Fraser George Gray
	Sat 5	Bournemouth	H 3pm				
	Tues 8	Stoke	H 7.45pm				
	Sat 12	Bury	A 3pm				
	Sat 19	Bristol Rov	H 3pm				
APRIL	Sat 26	Brentford	H 3pm				
	Sat 4	Wrexham	A 3pm				
	Tue 7	Burnley	A 7.45pm				
	Sat 11	Millwall	H 3pm				
	Sat 18	Preston	A 3pm				
MAY	Tue 21	Cambridge Utd	H 7.45pm				
	Sat 25	Chesterfield	A 3pm				
	Sat 1	Colchester	H 3pm				
	Sat 8	Scunthorpe	A 3pm				
	Sat 15	Bristol City	H 3pm				

Travelling fans

OURS ON THE ROAD	VISITORS TO LUTON
Notts County 1,531	Bristol Rovers (WC) 240
Reading 1,536	Blackpool 464
Bristol Rovers (WC) 134	Cardiff 992
Bournemouth 665	Bury 198
Brentford 1,704	Wrexham 307
Wigan 985	Oxford 745
Oldham 451	Gillingham 1,241
Oxford 1,523	Wycombe 711
Millwall 688	Kingstonian (FAC1) 571
Cambridge 2,152	Burnley 1,392
Bristol Rovers 417	Lincoln (FAC2) 523
Lincoln (FAC2R) 294	Preston 578
Oxford (AWS) 126	Notts County 328
Fulham (FAC3) 2,346	Fulham 907
Colchester 384	Chesterfield 274
Bristol City 461	Scunthorpe 501
Stoke 651	Reading 691
Blackpool 450	
Cardiff 286	
Total 16,784	10,663
Average883	.623

				substitutes
Gray	Spring	McIndoe	Taylor	Boyce for Taylor, 70 mins. Unused: George, Scarlett, Zahana-Oni, Tate
Gray	Spring	McIndoe	Taylor	Doherty for White HT; Fotiadis for Douglas 60 mins; George for McIndoe 60 mins. Unused: Zahana-Oni, Tate
Douglas	Spring	Fotiadis	Taylor	McKinnon for Fotiadis 75 mins; Zahana-Oni for Douglas 83 mins; McIndoe for McLaren 89 mins. Unused: Boyce, Tate
Gray	Spring	Fotiadis	Taylor	McIndoe for Fotiadis 79 mins. Unused: Sodje, White, McKinnon, Tate
McKinnon	Douglas	McIndoe	Kandol	Doherty for Douglas 67 mins; Fotiadis for Kandol 67 mins. Unused: Scarlett, Davis, Ward
Gray	Spring	Fotiadis	Taylor	Douglas for Fotiadis 66 mins; McIndoe for McLaren 81mins; McKinnon for George 84 mins. Unused: Sodje, Tate
Gray	Spring	Fotiadis	Taylor	Douglas for Fotiadis 60 mins; McIndoe for McLaren 81mins. Unused: McKinnon, Sodje, Tate
Gray	Spring	Fotiadis	Taylor	Douglas for Fotiadis 73 mins; McIndoe for George 73 mins. Unused: McKinnon, Sodje, Tate
Douglas	Spring	Fotiadis	Taylor	Kandol for Fotiadis HT; McKinnon for McLaren 62 mins; Sodje for Johnson 75 mins. Unused: Scarlett, Tate
Douglas	Spring	Kandol	Taylor	Sodje for Kandol 70 mins. Unused: White, Boyce, Scarlett, Tate
Douglas	Spring	Midgley	Taylor	McIndoe for Midgley 66 mins. Unused: Sodje, Kandol, Scarlett, Tate
Douglas	Spring	McLaren	Taylor	McIndoe for McLaren 73 mins; Midgley for Locke 77 mins. Unused: Sodje, White, Ward
Douglas	Spring	McLaren	Taylor	Kandol for Gray 50 mins; McIndoe for McLaren 67 mins; Midgley for Douglas 67 mins. Unused: White, Ward
Douglas	Spring	McLaren	Taylor	Locke for Midgley 80 mins; McIndoe for McLaren 85 mins. Unused: Kandol, Sodje, Ward
Douglas	Spring	McLaren	Taylor	McIndoe for Midgley 75 mins. Unused: Kandol, Sodje, Ward
Douglas	Spring	McLaren	Taylor	McIndoe for Midgley 72 mins; Locke for Douglas 77 mins. Unused: Kandol, Sodje, Ward
Douglas	Spring	McLaren	Taylor	McIndoe for Gray 30 mins; Boyce for Fraser 39 mins. Unused: White, Sodje, Ward
Douglas	Spring	McLaren	Taylor	McIndoe for Midgley HT. Unused: White, Sodje, Locke, Ward
Douglas	Spring	McLaren	Taylor	McIndoe for Douglas 73 mins; Locke for McLaren 79 mins; Kandol for Midgley 88 mins. Unused: Sodje, Ward
Douglas	Spring	McLaren	Taylor	Sodje for Boyce HT; Locke for McLaren 59 mins; McIndoe for Midgley 59 mins. Unused: Kandol, Ward
Douglas	Spring	McLaren	Taylor	Sodje for Locke HT; McIndoe for McLaren 83 mins. Unused: Boyce, Kandol, Ward
Douglas	Spring	McLaren	Taylor	McIndoe for McLaren 62 mins; White for Midgley 62 mins; Boyce for Fraser 75 mins. Unused: Locke, Ward
Locke	Spring	McLaren	McIndoe	Thorpe for Doherty 61 mins; Boyce for Watts 86 mins. Unused: Taylor, Douglas, Ward
Douglas	Spring	McLaren	Taylor	Locke for McLaren 50 mins. Unused: Boyce, Kandol, McIndoe, Ward
Douglas	Spring	Locke	Taylor	Boyce for Fraser 60 mins; Sodje for Douglas 81 mins. Unused: Kandol, Scarlett, Tate
Douglas	Spring	Locke	Boyce	Read for Douglas HT; Scarlett for Locke 69 mins. Unused: Taylor, Jerry, Tate
Douglas	Spring	Locke	Taylor	All unused: Boyce, Scarlett, Jerry, Ayres, Tate
Doherty	Spring	Locke	Taylor	McLaren for George 62 mins. Unused: Boyce, Scarlett, Read, Ward
Douglas	Spring	Locke	Taylor	Boyce for Fraser 59 mins. Unused: Scarlett, Kandol, Ayres, Tate
Douglas	Spring	Locke	Taylor	McLaren for Spring 73 mins; Gray for Thorpe 74 mins. Unused: Fraser, Fotiadis, Tate
Douglas	Spring	Locke	Taylor	Fotiadis for Douglas 83 mins. Unused: George, Fraser, Scarlett, Tate
Douglas	Spring	Locke	Taylor	Fotiadis for Gray 73 mins. Unused: White, Fraser, Scarlett, Tate
Douglas	Spring	Locke	Taylor	Fotiadis for Douglas 70 mins; George for White 87 mins. Unused: Fraser, Scarlett, Tate
Douglas	Spring	Locke	Taylor	Fotiadis for George 75 mins. Unused: Fraser, Scarlett, Ayres, Tate
Douglas	Scarlett	Locke	McGowan	Fotiadis for Douglas 81 mins. Unused: Fraser, Kandol, Ayres, Tate
Douglas	Scarlett	Spring	McGowan	Fotiadis for Douglas 78 mins. Unused: Kandol, Ayres, Stirling, Tate

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EMMERSON BOYCE	17
JULIAN WATTS	40
GARY DOHERTY	12
MARVIN JOHNSON	6
LIAM GEORGE	11
ADAM LOCKE	28
MATTHEW SPRING	4
GAVIN MCGOWAN	2
PHIL GRAY	7
STUART DOUGLAS	9

Substitutes

ANDRE SCARLETT	21
ANDREW FOTIADIS	14
JAMES AYRES	19
STUART FRASER	13
DANIEL TATE (GK)	22

Bournemouth

1	MARK OVENDALE
2	NEIL YOUNG
3	CHRISTER WARREN
31	JOHN O'SHEA
7	IAN COX
5	SCOTT MEAN
15	JOHN O'NEILL
8	STEVE ROBINSON
9	MARK STEIN
14	JAMES HAYTER
11	RICHARD HUGHES

Substitutes

19	CLAUS JORGENSEN
29	JUSTIN KEELER
26	BRIAN STOCK
20	JAMIE DAY
13	GARETH STEWART (GK)

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