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WELCOME: The three new signings
announced so far - left to right Alan
Kimble, Steve Robinson and Tony
Thorpe.

Inside Forward

A SERIOUS injury to Adrian Forbes (see page 8) has put a bit of a dampener on preparations for this afternoon's kick-off, but otherwise it has been business as usual at Kenilworth Road, which means that Joe Kinnear was still chasing players as we went to press.

He is delighted with the acquisitions of Tony Thorpe, Steve Robinson and Alan Kimble, but wants to see even more competition for places to back up a realistic promotion challenge.

Left back Kimble became the manager's third signing when he accepted a one-year deal a few days before his 36th birthday on Tuesday.

Joe knew him well, because they were together at Wimbledon for eight years, and the boss said this week: "He is a very good pro, with a sweet left foot, and has kept himself in good shape."

Born in Dagenham, Kimble started as a junior at Charlton, before moving to Cambridge in 1986. There he made 352 league and cup appearances before a £175,000 move to Wimbledon nine years ago. There he was almost ever-present as the Dons defied all the odds to stay in the Premiership under Joe's guidance.

Kimble has come to Kenilworth Road with a reputation as a set-piece specialist, and will take over the left back vacancy created when Matt Taylor decided to leave.

Jean-Louis Valois has also gone, having refused a new contract, and Mr Kinnear is still searching for another attacking left-footer. He had a long look at Christophe Kinet, who has been released by Millwall, before deciding that the 30-year-old Belgian did not measure up to his required standard. The boss says that players he brings in will have to be good enough to challenge for first team places. And he has money available, thanks to the continued support of Chairman Mike-Watson Challis.

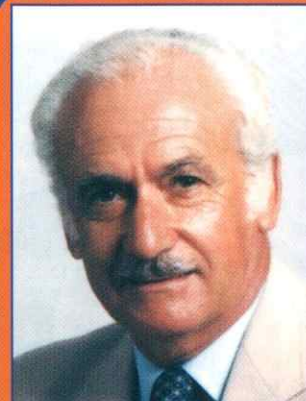
Another goalkeeper is high on the manager's hit list, because Mark Ovendale's hip injury looks likely to keep him sidelined for three months.

On Monday trialist Alan Coombe put in an impressive performance in the game against Southampton. Both managers made him man of the match, as he demonstrated excellent shot-stopping. Dundee United are willing to let him go for a reasonable fee, and yesterday the 26-year-old was due to meet the Town manager again to talk about his future.

"He has said he would like to come here, but he has a fiancée in Scotland, and she has to be involved in the decision as well," said the manager. "At the same time, I have other irons in the fire and will look at all the options before making up my mind."

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From The Chairman's Office

WELCOME back to Kenilworth Road, and before I look ahead to what I am sure will be another exciting season, I want to say a very big thank-you to the many people who gave us so much pleasure in the promotion campaign.

First on the list has to be Joe Kinnear, and everyone involved on the playing staff. I could not have asked for much more, even if it was a little disappointing not to get the championship.

Many others within the club worked very hard, and my thanks go to everyone,

including all who help on match days.

It was a thrilling season, and my grateful thanks go to the supporters, whose backing was tremendous, never faltering as Joe and the boys chased the dream we all shared. Our home attendances showed a healthy increase, and the away support was near-unbelievable. A lot of Third Division clubs will be sorry to miss visits by the army of Luton Town fans. I was pleased to see how many went to support the team in the Isle of Man tournament, and Joe and the players appreciated it very much. I was sorry we did not win the competition, but much more important is to be successful in the new season.

Joe has very bravely repeated his promise of a year ago, that it will be a promotion campaign again. If anyone was foolish enough to doubt his judgement when last season began, he and the team proved what an astute manager he is. I know it will be more difficult to do it again, but obviously we all want success for our club. We hope Joe's determination does the trick again.

My promise to you is this: We are all Luton Town fans, and having recruited one of the very best managers in the country, I will do everything possible to help Joe achieve the ambition we all share. It will need your help too - thank you all for your support last season, and I look forward to it continuing through the next nine months.

Mike Watson-Challis

EXCEPT for the need to travel, we could not have wished for a better draw for the first round of the Worthington Cup than the trip to Vicarage Road next month. It will be an all-ticket match, as are several others in the near future, and the Police are hoping that the expected army of Town fans will leave their cars at home and go by coach, or by public transport.

Street parking in the Vicarage Road area is much more restricted than it was last time we went there, for a 1-1 draw in the Second Division four years ago.

The Bobbers Travel Club and Town on Tour will be operating coaches, and it is possible that double-deckers will be used. Further information will be given when it becomes available.

Brian Swain



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Manager's View



WELCOME back to Kenilworth Road, for another new season in which I trust we will deliver more of the same after our successful promotion campaign.

I was disappointed that we did not win the championship, but the priority was to get back into the Second Division at the first attempt, and the players and everyone else involved deserve great credit for the hard work put into achieving it.

Now we face an even more difficult challenge if we are to make it two promotions back to back - and that is my target.

We will be up against better teams, and wealthier ones, than last season, but there is a good spirit in the dressing room, and I don't see why we should not make a serious bid for one of the two promotion places.

I have made a lot of changes in the staff over the past 12 months or so, all of them designed to make us stronger, and I am reasonably happy with my summer's work in the transfer market.

It was a disappointment to lose Matt Taylor, but we could do nothing about that once he made up his mind.

On the other side of the coin, I was delighted to be able to bring in Tony Thorpe, Steve Robinson and Alan Kimble. And they are by no means the last of the deals I hope to complete in the near future.

The biggest problem I faced when I first came here was that there was nowhere near enough competition for places, and that was something I was determined to change.

This summer's signings have

continued that policy. For instance, Dean Crowe and Steve Howard hit 40 goals between them last season, and well done them.

But the arrival of Tony Thorpe means we have real competition fighting for places up front. And if other strikers on the staff make good progress to add to that competition, so much the better.

Our pre-season work was very encouraging. In the Isle of Man tournament we let ourselves down briefly, when we got off to the worst possible start, with individual errors causing our downfall against Wrexham, a game we really should have won.

We learned the lesson quickly, and cut out the mistakes that cost us against Wrexham to enjoy a 3-1 success against a very strong Burnley side, and then getting our long-awaited revenge with a 4-2 win over Rochdale.

We finished the tournament very strongly, and we only lost out on goal difference.

The abandonment of the home game with Gillingham at half-time was as big a disappointment to me and the players as it must have been to you the supporters, but I thought Monday's match against Southampton was a very valuable exercise.

Gordon Strachan fielded his strongest possible side, and in the early stages we seemed to be a little over-awed by our Premiership opposition.

But we got better as the game progressed, and it was good to see that we had the spirit and, above all the ability, to win after being two down with half an hour to play. In the closing stages we made

Southampton look very much second best.

You should never read too much into pre-season friendlies, but the win over Southampton, and the style and manner in which it was achieved, highlighted the fact that we are capable of scoring goals against even the best.

It should give us confidence as we set off on our long haul in the league this afternoon.

Our first week will be important, with three games in eight days, and I will be demanding maximum effort from everyone. I am confident. I know our players are champing at the bit, and can't wait to get involved.

We ended last season with a run of 13 wins and a draw, and I would dearly love that sort of sequence to kick off the new campaign, but to achieve it we know a lot of hard work is needed.

Barry Fry and his men will do their best to stop us, of course, and it should be a good game this afternoon, because all managers and players know the importance of getting off to a good start.

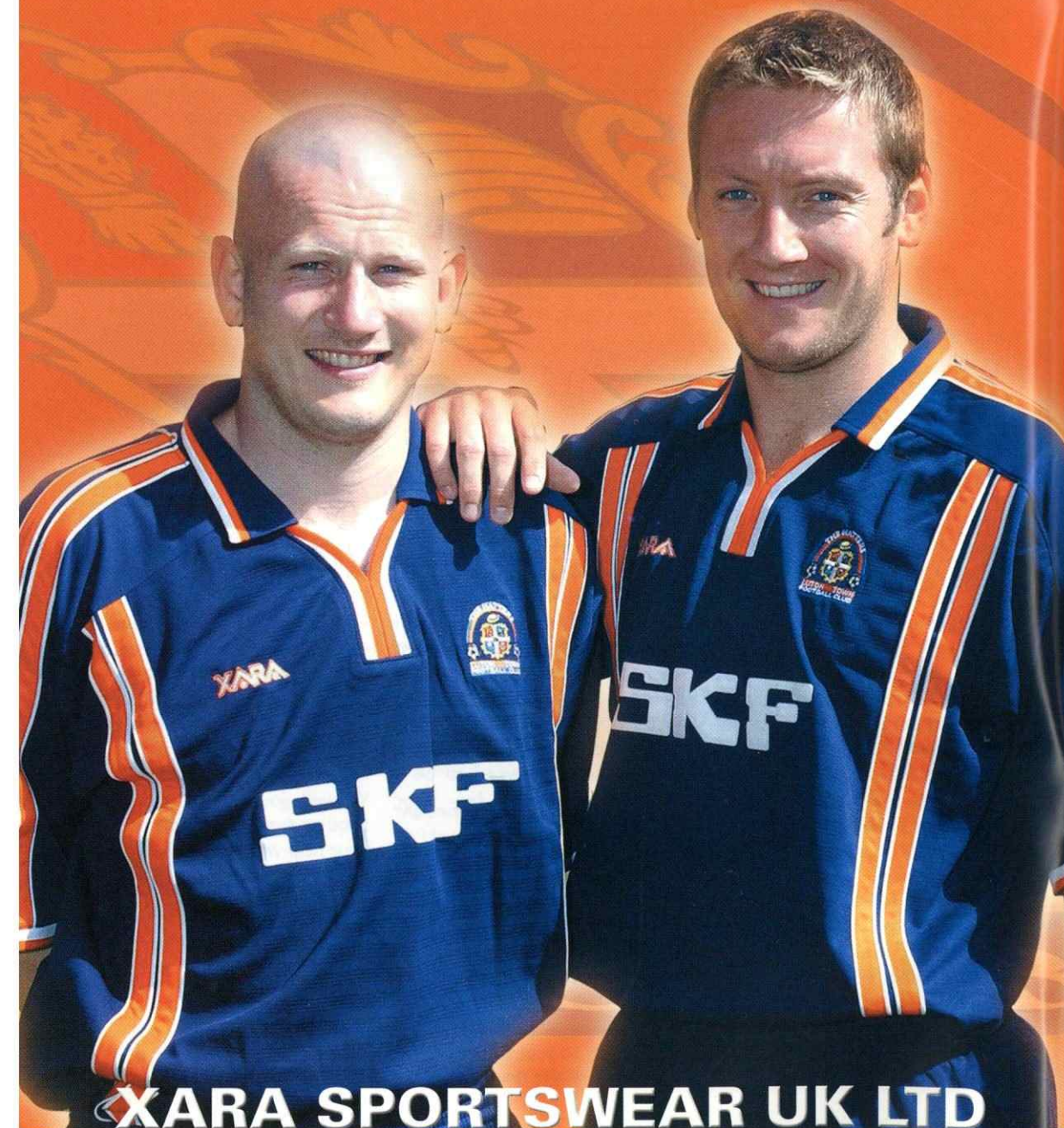
Finally, may I offer on behalf of everyone at the club our wholehearted thanks to everyone who gave us such magnificent support last season: it was tremendous, both home and away, and believe me it makes a difference.

We will do our best to give you another season to enjoy, and with your help we can achieve it. Keep the faith, and enjoy the game.

Joe Kinnear

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Captain's View



IT IS A great honour for me to be appointed captain, and I realise that at 23 I still have a lot to learn. Marvin Johnson is a hard act to follow, but he is just one of many who have been helpful as I take over the role of club captain of Luton Town.

I took on the job on the field for a lot of games last season, and enjoyed the experience, but of course the whole campaign was a dream come true for all of us. When I first came to Luton, just over a year ago, I remember being asked why I had given up the chance to stay with Wigan to join a team who had just been relegated to the Third Division.

Very Pleased

The answer was simple: in two years at Wigan I had seven managers, so I was very pleased when Joe Kinnear came in for me. He has the ability to enthuse players with his passion for the game, and for the club, and I jumped at the chance to share his dream.

Now you have all seen the results, and we go into the new season full of hope and confidence, believing that we can more than hold our own in Division Two.

In fact, if we do not win promotion I will be very disappointed, because everything I have seen at Kenilworth Road in the past 12 months tells me this club is going places.

When we went to Carlisle for the first game last season I felt we had an outside chance of winning promotion. In the event, it was not long before we all felt very confident indeed.

The team that began the season was pretty good, but the manager soon got to work to improve the squad, with the likes of Chris Coyne, Dean Crowe,

Ahmed Brkovic and Alan Neilson coming in.

The boss is still working on his plans to have more and better players in the squad, and I was well pleased with the three summer signings he made, Tony Thorpe, Steve Robinson and Alan Kimble.

You will know better than me what Thorpey can do, but all the new boys have settled in quickly. It is important that players in a team suit each other, and that is certainly the case here. Take Thorpey's goal against Southampton - I put the ball down for a free kick, and took it quickly knowing that Tony would be already there in the right position to receive it, and he was.

I was sorry to see Matt Taylor leave, but not very surprised. It may be a football cliché, but we have comparatively short careers, and Matt left because he felt it would be right for him. We will miss him, but one man doesn't make a team, and certainly today's squad is better and stronger than the one I joined a year ago.

Impressive Talent

I am sure it will continue to improve during the season - the boss is not the sort to let anyone in the team get complacent, and I have no doubt he will continue to add to the impressive talent we already have here.

It's a very happy dressing room, and I think we have a very good balance in terms of age ranges. We have some players with experience, and a group of young ones who are already looking good.

Competition for places will be even tougher this season, and that leads to players being on their toes to safeguard their position. But we were all gutted for Adrian Forbes when we heard that he

looks like being out of the squad for a long time because of injury. It will be a big loss, because he has tremendous pace and the ability to go past defenders to threaten their goal himself, or make openings for others. We all wish him a speedy and full recovery.

The rest of us will get down to business this afternoon determined to take Luton Town up another notch in the league ladder. I am looking forward to the season even more than usual - I just love football, especially winning. I will also try not to get silly bookings and suspensions!

Smaller Gap

We think we are capable of another promotion, particularly if we reproduce last season's home form. My feeling is that the gap between Division One and Division Two is smaller than the one between Divisions Two and Three.

Kicking off at home is a bonus, and we have to take the chance to put three points on the board today. Then we face two away games in a row, at Blackpool and Plymouth. My feeling is that six points from the first eight days would not be too bad, but deep down I want all nine.

And we are all well aware that your support can help us get the results we all want. Last season you were tremendous, and on behalf of the lads I thank you for that.

We hope you come along in similar numbers to support us again this season, and look forward to giving you a lot more to cheer about between now and next May.

Kevin Hicholls



Treatment Room

WHILE there has been the usual pre-season buzz around Kenilworth Road this week, a serious injury to Adrian Forbes has taken some of the shine off our preparations for today's kick-off. When he was carried off during the Southampton match on Monday, we hoped it would be nothing worse than a pulled hamstring, but unfortunately he has suffered severe knee damage.

It looks as though he has problems with both medial and cruciate ligaments, and not many years ago that would have probably ended his career. Nowadays, however, there is no danger of that – Paul Gascoigne, Roy Keane and Alan Shearer have all suffered similar blows and returned to football to play at the highest level.

We are lucky here to have John Sheridan as a consultant physio, because he is an acknowledged expert on the injury, and will help

Forbes to get over this disappointment. Mr Sheridan played a major part in getting Gazza back to fitness when they were both at Spurs.

Forbes will be seen by a specialist surgeon, and will undergo an operation to take a tendon from another part of his leg to replace the damaged ligaments.

Then, after recuperation, he faces a lot of work to regain fitness. He will be out of the squad for a long time, perhaps all season. Fortunately he is a great pro, and not frightened of hard work, and there will be plenty of that for him after the operation. It will be a test of character, but I have little doubt he will come through it.

Mark Owendale has already had an operation, to clear up a hip injury. Keyhole surgery was performed to clean out the joint and repair torn soft tissue. He can't think about running for two or three weeks, and probably the goalkeeper is

looking at a 12-week absence.

Carl Griffiths, after so much frustration last season, is back in full training, and came through a good test with another 90 minutes for the reserves at Boreham Wood last Saturday. He had had a bit of a setback earlier, but he is getting fitter every day. He will continue to play in the reserves for a while as he builds up to full match fitness.

Two other players were missing from the squad for Monday's game against Southampton. In the case of Alan Neilson it was purely a precaution after he suffered a slight calf strain. He was left out of the team to avoid the possibility of aggravating it, and he has been training well all week, and is fully recovered and available for selection this afternoon.

Marvin Johnson is not so fortunate: he picked up a heel injury in training, and while there is some bruising and soreness I don't think it is anything serious. We will have X-rays taken as a precaution, but my judgement is that when the tenderness wears off he will soon be able to resume training.

Like the rest of the staff, he reported back to Kenilworth Road after the holidays in good shape, and our players have all shown real professionalism in looking after themselves during the close season. One of the first things I look at is their weight and fat content, and it was pleasing to see that everyone had met our requirements. Good pros appreciate the importance of the correct exercise and close season diet. When you are playing football once or twice a week you burn a lot of calories, so in the summer calory intake has to be less. Our players all accept that responsibility, and they deserve credit for their professionalism.

Bruce Sewell Hobbs



PUTTING A BRAVE FACE ON ADVERSITY: Adrian Forbes undergoing treatment after suffering a serious injury in Monday's friendly.



Club Secretary

WELCOME back to Kenilworth Road for the new season. I hope supporters enjoyed the summer, although from the point of view of the staff here it seems to have been very short! A lot of work has to be packed into the close season, and this year, for instance, the ticket office has been busier than I can ever remember.

We have sold nearly 4,000 season tickets, the highest total for a long time, and it is obvious that after our promotion season supporters are in upbeat mood. So are all of us within the club – the staff are all Luton Town supporters as well.

Obviously a lot of people realise that there are advantages in holding season tickets, and not just because of the financial saving. Your seat is guaranteed for all home league games, and season ticket holders have priority in buying cup-tie tickets. A season ticket also gives you a 10 per cent discount at the club shop.

As we all expect to have another good season, may I suggest that if you have not yet bought a season ticket, you might consider it? They are still on sale, with the prices dropping pro rata match by match.

On the subject of tickets and cup-ties, can I ask that if you are not a season ticket holder, it might be worth your while to retain all your match tickets.

We are looking at ways to ensure the most loyal supporters are treated as fairly as possible on those occasion when we

have limited numbers of cup tickets, or restricted allocations of away tickets for league games. Season ticket holders get first chance, but after that we want to do what we can to reward our most regular supporters.

One possibility will be to offer priority to those who can produce the greatest number of match tickets to prove that they are regulars.

Devising a fair system for such occasions has always been a problem for all football clubs. If you have any ideas on the subject, please drop me a line, or send an e-mail to the address at the bottom of this page.

That invitation goes for any subject involving the club: we are always pleased to hear from supporters, and I promise we always reply to every letter and e-mail we receive.

As you might guess we had a lot of feed-back from our pre-season operations. And here I must pass on the thanks of everyone at Luton Town for the excellent support the team had for the Isle of Man tournament.

Town on Tour also deserve thanks for their part in getting supporters to Douglas, and everyone who went enjoyed the trip.

Not so enjoyable, or course, was our experience for the first home friendly, against Gillingham. It was a disappointment for everyone when the game had to be abandoned at half-time, but it was due entirely to circumstances beyond our control.

Heavy rain is believed to have been the cause of the failure of an electricity sub-station outside the ground which services the stadium. It resulted in the local area being without power just as it was getting dark.

We have emergency generating equipment for such occasions, and it quickly kicked into action. As you may have seen, we even got the floodlights going again, but the rest of the ground, including all the public areas, was not lit to normal standards. Some areas were pitch black, and we had no choice but to ask everyone to leave.

Our thanks go to the great majority of supporters, who understood the problem and sympathised with us. It really was a most extra-ordinary combination of circumstances.

Because of the abandonment, we cut admission prices for the following friendly, and Southampton FC were very kind in agreeing to that idea. Now we are looking forward to the "real kick-off" this afternoon, and there is certainly a mood of optimism around the club.

As usual, we are indebted to a lot of people for their efforts on our behalf, and we still have some vacancies for matchday staff, including cleaners and stewards. If you can help, please give me a ring on Luton 411622.

Cherry Newbery

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Commercial Corner

with
Linda Layton



AS WE start a new season, it is a pleasure to welcome back old friends to our sponsorship lounges today. Our joint match sponsors are Charles Wells brewery, and the Regular Rabble, who are among the most loyal supporters of our commercial activities.

Charles Wells are now into their second season of supplying the club, and tell us they are looking forward to another successful

season on the field and in the bars! Eagle bitter has always been popular in Bedfordshire, and is proving to be a favourite with the supporters around the ground. "We hope you sample the sweet taste of success again," is the message the brewery sends to everyone at Kenilworth Road.

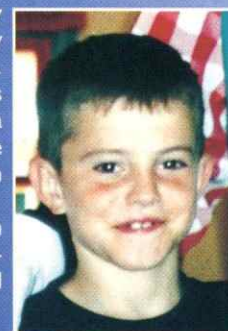
The Regular Rabble are long-time friends of Luton Town, a group of supporters who follow the club home

and away, and get together several times a season to enjoy the club's hospitality in the sponsors' lounge. Sue Miller tells us: "Our group includes Elsie and Danny Clubb, who travel from Blackpool to support Luton. Next Tuesday they can walk to the match and be home before most of us reach the motorway... I suppose they deserve to gloat occasionally!"

THIS afternoon's match ball sponsor is Paul Shield, of www.findthatfilm.com, who is celebrating his birthday. Helping him are friends he lists as The Gnome, Wingnut (aka Mr Punch), KP Nutted, Elvis, Leaking Will, Bushy, Lurch, Earl and Jonesy. He thanks them for attending, and adds: "Hope you all have an excellent day out after buying a mountain of rare videos and DVDs on-line at www.findthatfilm.com!"

Linda Layton

A VIP day out with Luton Town is a very special, but slightly belated, birthday present for Timothy Owen this afternoon. He was ten last Saturday, and today he is commercial mascot, which means he has a good look around Kenilworth Road before the game starts, and meets the Town players at close quarters. He will join them in the dressing room, then go onto the pitch with them for the pre-match rituals, including the kick-about and the toss of the coin.



Timothy, of Camp Lane, Kislingbury, Northants, attends Kislingbury Primary School, and when he is not shouting for the Town at Kenilworth Road he likes cricket and basketball. His favourite player is Kevin Nicholls

Golden Gamble

OUR Golden Gamble gets ever more popular, and we are hoping to break more records as it kicks off again today. At the final home game of last season, against Macclesfield, the jackpot prize was the highest-ever, with £1,235 in cash collected by Maureen Staunton, of Windermere Crescent, Luton. She is pictured with David Bayliss, who pulled her ticket out of the drum.

The prize depends on sales. Half the proceeds go to the jackpot prize and the other 50p goes to club funds, so your support is appreciated even though only one fan can win. Last season the Golden Gamble paid out a total of £15,840 to 23 winners, an average of £689 each.

At £1 a go, we think it is a decent flutter, and Golden Gamble ticket sellers will be on duty around the ground again today. The draw is made at half-time, and the cash is available there and then.

At the pre-season games, the winner when we played Gillingham was R. Safranek, who collected £130, and for the Southampton match the prize was £235, won by R. Gurney.



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Top Scorer



Form Guide



Discipline



Attendances



Swings/Margins



Miscellaneous



Clubs Comparison

Goals Scored		
49	Shots	33
27	Headers	16
15	Volleys	10
4	Penalties	3
0	Free Kicks	2
1	Own Goals	0

Where Goals Scored



Where Goals Conceded



When Goals Scored

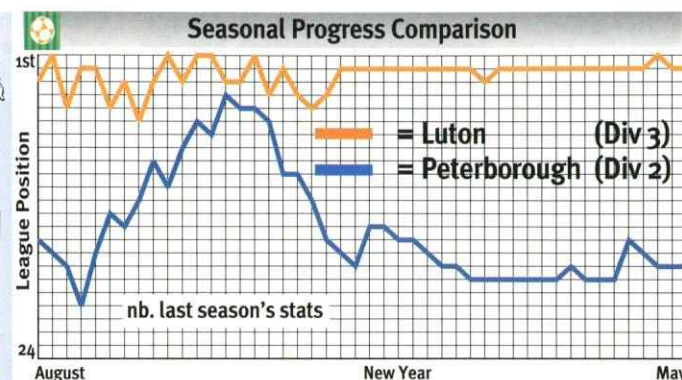
5	0-15 mins	10
14	16-30 mins	10
21	31-45 mins	11
18	46-60 mins	15
17	61-75 mins	8
21	75-90 mins	10

Last 6 Form Guide

5	Won	2
1	Drawn	1
0	Lost	3
19	For	7
4	Against	8
16	Points	7
15	Goal Difference	-1
WWWWD	Sequence	LWLLDW
WWWWD	Last 5 Home	WWLWL
WWWWW	Last 5 Away	WLLLD

Yellow & Red Cards

93	Yellow	74
6	Red	3



2001-2002 Attendances

Hatters	Aggregate	Posh
157,618	127,509	
9,585	Highest	8,656
5,066	Lowest	3,445
6,853	Average	5,544
69	% of Capacity	36

Average Goals per game

	For	Against
2.09	For	1.39
2.17	Home For	2.00
2.00	Away For	0.78
1.04	Against	1.28
0.78	Home Against	1.13
1.30	Away Against	1.43



2001-2002 Figures

35	Players Used	30
17	Clean Sheets	10
4	Failed to Score	13
10	Goals from Corners	10
12	Goals from Free Kicks	6
282	Total Corners	278
763	Total Fouls	636
216	Total Offsides	165
19	Hit Woodwork	22

10 Year Record

Hatters	Avg Pos. among the 92 clubs	Posh
52.3	the 92 clubs	61.2
8,213	Avg Att 1992	8,030
6,853	Avg Att 2002	5,544
-17	+ / - %	-31

Top League Scorers

		
24	League Goals	18
42	Games Played	30
0.57	Lge Goals/Game	0.60
9	Points Gained	15
4	Scoring Run	2
1	Hat-Tricks	1
14	Close Range	7
9	Inside Area	10
1	Long Range	1
11	Shots	10
11	Headers	5
2	Volleys	2
0	Penalties	1
0	Direct FKs	0

Swings

LT	Games Won from:	PL
0	3 Goals Down	0
0	2 Goals Down	1
8	1 Goal Down	1

0	Lost from:	0
0	3 Goals Up	0
0	2 Goals Up	0
2	1 Goal Up	5

0	Drawn from:	0
0	3 Goals Down	0
0	2 Goals Down	0
5	1 Goal Down	8
0	3 Goals Up	0
0	2 Goals Up	0
3	1 Goal Up	3

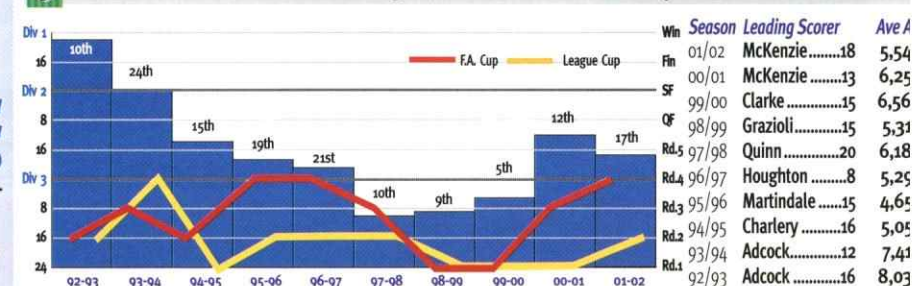
Margins

12	Won by 1 Gl	6
9	Won by 2 Gl	4
6	Won by 3 Gl	3
2	Won by 4 Gl	0
1	Won by 5+ Gl	2
7	Lost by 1 Gl	15
0	Lost by 2 Gl	4
2	Lost by 3 Gl	2
0	Lost by 4 Gl	0
0	Lost by 5+ Gl	0

Game Averages

6.24	Goal Attempts:	5.39
6.20	On Target	6.84
6.13	Off Target	6.84
6.13	Corners	6.04
16.59	Fouls	13.8
4.70	Offsides	3.59

Peterborough United's 10 Year History





Welcome To

GOALKEEPERS

Daniel Conner
born, 31/01/81

Republic of Ireland youth international noted for his kicking ability and great presence in between the posts. The loyal shot-stopper has continued in his role as understudy to Mark Tyler and he was called up to the Ireland Under 21 squad for a friendly in Austria at the back end of last season where he was an unused substitute.

Appeared from the first whistle on three occasions last term and kept a clean sheet in Worthington Cup action at Swansea City and at Rushden & Diamonds in the Maunsel Cup.

Mark Tyler
born, 02/04/77

JASON was signed on a two-year contract from Charlton in March 2001 after a successful trial which saw him play several games for the youth team and reserves.

Jason figured on the bench at Premiership level during his time with Charlton.

DEFENDERS

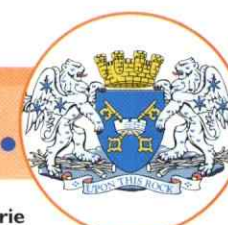
Andy Edwards
born, 13/09/71

Experienced central defender who has been 'Mr Consistent' since joining the club from Birmingham City in the 1996-1997 season. A threat in the air and a tough opponent for any attacker, his

footballing breakthrough came in Barry Fry's time in charge at Southend United and he has remained faithful to his manager throughout his career. 'Eagle' as he is affectionately known, found the back of the net twice last term, including the equaliser in a 2-2 draw at Blackpool, ending the season with 53 outings in all competitions.

Gareth Jellieyman
born, 14/11/80

Welsh Under 21 international who suffered a nightmare season with injuries, namely on his knee, which meant he only appeared 13 times in Posh colours. The skilful left back has lived up to his potential after making the breakthrough from youth ranks to a star in the senior side and winning the 'Man of the Match' award at the 1999-2000 Wembley Play-



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off final. He will be aiming to stay fit this season and push for a regular slot in the Posh starting 11.

Marc Joseph
born, 10/11/76



Versatile defender who arrived at London Road from arch rivals

Cambridge United in July 2001 where he rose through the ranks and signed professional forms at the Abbey in 1995. Blessed with sufficient pace and a long throw, he made 54 appearances in his first season, scoring twice, including a rocket free-kick against AFC Bournemouth.

Dennis Pearce
born, 10/09/74

Tough tackling full-back who ended the season with some steady performances at left-back after he was dogged by injuries in his first year at the club. The 26-year-old moved to the club from Second Division rivals Notts. County on a free transfer and his pace and power proved to be an asset. With Gareth Jellieyman set to start the season fully fit, the left-back spot will once again be up for grabs.

Steve Laurie
born, 20/10/82

Australian-born defender who joined Peterborough United on a month's loan at the end of December 2001 from West Ham United following a successful trial period at the club with the reserve and under 19 team's. A quick centre back who attracted interest from numerous club's in the Nationwide League last season.

Gary MacDonald
born, 25/10/79

Captured as central defensive cover from Dr Martens outfit Havant and Waterlooville in February 2001 after impressing during a four-day trial at London Road in which he hit the winning Combination goal for the Reserves

SKF continues sponsorship of LTFC



I am pleased to announce that SKF is continuing its sponsorship of Luton Town and wish the club continued success for the coming season. Hopefully, all the good work of last season will continue into 2002-03 and we'll be celebrating another promotion at the time we are stuffing ourselves with Easter Eggs.

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Colchester United.

The youngster suffered with injuries and only made eight appearances in the 2001-2002 season, but he did score the crucial winning goal against Cambridge United at London Road.

Simon Rea
born, 20/09/76

Strong central defender who missed the end of the 2001-2002 campaign with injury after a steady season at the heart of the Posh back-line. Initially bought in as cover in both defensive and attacking areas, he proved his worth at the centre of defence from March 2000 when Matthew Wicks was sidelined for 10 weeks and has been a first-team regular in the side ever since.



MIDFIELDERS

Jimmy Bullard
born, 23/10/78

Highly rated youngster who was a regular in his first season at London Road where he scored 11 goals from the central midfield slot. The energetic and skil-

ful 23-year-old moved to Posh from Premier League outfit West Ham United on a free transfer in the summer of 2001 after joining the Hammers from non-league side Gravesend United.

David Farrell
born, 11/11/71

The flying winger scored eight goals during the 2001-2002 season including one that will long be remembered by the London Road faithful. The bleached-haired (occasionally) midfield man picked up the ball inside his own half before firing the ball past Shay Given to level the scores against Premiership Newcastle United in front of the Sky TV cameras in the FA Cup fourth round.

Richard Forsyth
born, 03/10/70

Creative player who was a regular part-

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ner for the busy Jimmy Bullard in the centre of the Posh midfield before niggling injuries disrupted the middle part of his season. Made 29 League appearances, scoring one goal and he will be looking to find the back of the net more often this term. Barry Fry snapped him up from at Blackpool after time playing for Stoke City, Birmingham City and Kidderminster Harriers where he started his career.

Matthew Gill
born, 08/11/80



Returned after 11 months from a career threatening knee injury in fine style and finished the season with a flourish from his new right-back position, scoring twice in 12 appearances, including the first goal in the 2-2 draw at promoted Reading. The youngster skippered the Under 18s in their 1997-1998 Times FA Youth Cup run and has not looked back since, proving to be comfortable in possession with an excellent range of passing from midfield or right back.

Adam Newton
born, 04/12/1980

Talented midfield man who was signed by Barry Fry on the 1st May 2002 from Premiership West Ham United. The winger put pen to paper on a three-year contract and followed in the footsteps of Tom Williams and Jimmy Bullard who moved to Peterborough United from

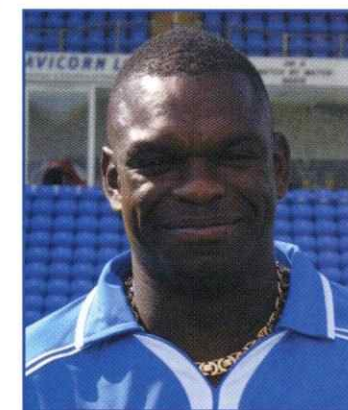
Upton Park. The right-footed 21-year-old made three appearances as a substitute for the Hammers including an UEFA Cup tie and ended season 2001-2002 at Third Division Leyton Orient on-loan.

STRIKERS

Leon McKenzie
born, 17/05/78

Highly rated powerful striker who has attracted the interest of several clubs after scoring 20 goals (club's top scorer) in an injury-disrupted 2001-2002 campaign. The fans' favourite scored 13 times in his first season at London Road after moving to the club from Crystal Palace following two successful loan stints from the Selhurst Park club. He forged an effective partnership with Neale Fenn in the early stages of the year and Francis Green also worked well with arguably Posh's most prized possession.

Andy Clarke
born, 22/07/67



Will always be remembered as the man who scored the winning goal in Peterborough United's 1-0 Wembley victory over Darlington in the 1999-2000 Division Three Play-off final. The veteran struggled to hold down a regular place last season, but still managed to

find the back of the net on eight occasions.

Jason Lee
born, 09/05/71



It will be a relief for this experienced front man to put on a Posh shirt once more after a nightmare knee ligament injury which saw him miss the 1999-2001 play-off semi-finals against Barnet. The striker has made more than 300 senior games for a total of 10 different clubs including spells at Nottingham Forest and Lincoln City. He will give Fry an aerial alternative in attack as the season unfolds after being sidelined for over a season.

Neale Fenn
born, 18/01/77

Talented front man who was signed by Barry Fry from Tottenham Hotspur in the summer of 2001 after the striker bagged five goals in four games in the Posh Reserve side. The skilful Edmonton-born forward forged an effective partnership with Leon McKenzie early on in the season. He was used on occasion employed as the playmaker, operating behind two strikers, where his football brain was put to even better use.



Blast From the Past with Roger Wash

Following the Town's relegation from the old Division One in 1992, supporters looked forward to a spell of success after four years of struggle and last minute 'Houdini' acts. During the summer of 1992 the Hatters were forced to part with Mark Pembridge who was snapped up by big spending Derby County for £1.25 million, but the fans were savouring the thought that fit again Phil Gray would be able to link up with new boy Steve Claridge and crowd favourite Mick Harford. Unfortunately, before a ball had been kicked in anger, Harford was transferred to Chelsea and suddenly the Town's attack looked decidedly lightweight and lacking in height. "It is a chance for the youngsters to show me what they can do," said manager David Pleat as he threw in young Jamie Campbell for the opening day trip to Leicester. Although Campbell scored his first senior goal for the club, an

injury time winner for the Foxes meant a disappointing start to the season and, if the supporters had only known it at the time, set a pattern that was going to take some time to change. The Town's home record during the 1991/92 relegation season from the top flight had not been too bad and the fans thought teams like Bristol City would only be turning up at Kenilworth Road to make up the numbers. It was therefore a rude awakening to the harsh facts of life in the new Division One in our first home game of the campaign. Andy Cole was unstoppable that afternoon and had a hand in all three City goals in a 0-3 trouncing. It was then realised that we were about to be in for a major struggle at the wrong end of the table again, rather than make a glorious and immediate bid for promotion back to the top flight.

We managed to secure

our first point of the season in a 0-0 draw against Charlton at Upton Park, but were soon back to losing ways when we went down 0-2 at St James' Park against an emerging Newcastle side.

Tranmere were the next visitors to Kenilworth Road and they returned to Merseyside with a point following an entertaining 3-3 draw, but as the first league tables were being produced it slowly sank in that the Town were second bottom!

The next game, away at Brentford, was switched to a Sunday as it was scheduled to be televised. The T.V. company, however, changed its mind leaving the Luton supporters to watch the Saturday results roll in as their team moved to bottom spot.

It seemed strange to be playing on a Sunday without the television cameras, but after 29 away games since the Town's last away victory, stretching back to March 1991, we managed to win a tough contest 2-1 and move several places up the table.

A last minute penalty, tucked away by Claridge, won a further point the following week as Birmingham came to Kenilworth Road, but left us still looking for that elusive first home victory, a sequence that was extended further when Plymouth drew here 2-2 in a Rumbelows Cup tie.

We lost both Marvin Johnson and Trevor Peake with long term injuries against the west country side, with the result that Damian Matthew was signed on loan from Chelsea in a bid to strengthen our rear-guard. He made his debut in a dour 0-0 draw at Notts County which,



Steve Claridge, during his short Luton career, measures a pass against Peterborough in 1992.



Gray gets shirty with Posh

surprisingly, lengthened our unbeaten run to five games.

Just as the supporters thought we were slowly turning the corner, Portsmouth came to Kenilworth Road and won 4-1 in farcical conditions. On a waterlogged pitch and in driving rain, the strength and power of the Pompey side, and Guy Whittingham in particular, shone through and we were down with the strugglers again. We lost 2-3 at Plymouth to go out of the cup, and then lost 0-3 at bottom placed Barnsley, with all the goals coming in the first half.

Pembridge returned to Kenilworth Road the following week and helped his Derby side to a 3-1 win, hammering another nail in the coffin to leave the supporters wondering what had gone wrong.

Given this terrible form it was very surprising that a great many Luton supporters made their way to Peterborough the next Saturday for only our third trip to London Road for league points.

After early Posh pressure the Hatters actually took the lead when David Preece fed Gray who lobbed Ian Bennett in the Peterborough goal from 30 yards. Posh hit back and equalised soon after with Gary Cooper hitting home a free-kick, awarded rather harshly against Darren Salton who everyone felt was the victim rather than the culprit.

Back came the Town and regained the lead with a strange goal. Paul Telfer, making his return to the side after a long absence with a broken foot, headed a Preece cross towards goal. The ball hit a defender, then the post and cannoned into the net off the back of Bennett's head!

Things got even better shortly before the interval when Gray headed home a Claridge cross, and when the half-time whistle blew, the players went off to a standing ovation from the relieved Town fans.

Peterborough staged the expected second half onslaught, but the Luton defence stood firm until the 70th

minute when Tony Adcock headed home after Hatters goalkeeper Andy Petterson pushed a Tony Philliskirk effort against the bar. Petterson made another great save from future Town player Adcock just before the end, but we rode our luck and ended up with three points.

Phil Gray's return to scoring form was put down to a change of shirt! Refusing his normal number nine shirt he opted instead for ten which seemed to work as the season progressed and we gradually hauled ourselves out of trouble.

Luton: Petterson, Linton, Salton, James, Johnson, Telfer, Matthew, Kamara, Preece (Oakes), Claridge, Gray.

Peterborough: Bennett, Luke, Howarth, Welsh, Robinson, Barnes (Iorfa), Cooper, Halsall, Sterling, Adcock, Philliskirk.

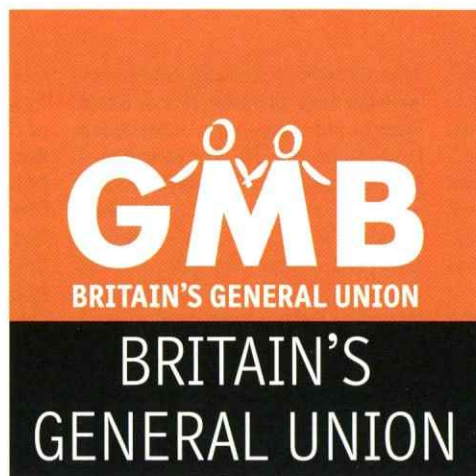
Roger Wash



Yesterday's pages

Peterborough produced a neat looking 32 page A.5 size programme for the visit of the Hatters in October 1992. Unfortunately over half the pages were adverts and the reading material tailed off dramatically towards the end. In the 'Welcome to the visitors' section the scribe confirmed what we already knew but did not wish to be reminded of, especially by a non Luton Town supporter. "Just one win in 11 games has left David Pleat's Luton Town floundering close to the foot of the First Division in a season when they were expected to climb back into the Premier. One of the worst defensive records and poorest strike forces in the Division has been a major factor in their wretched showing this season."

As an aside, it is interesting to note that in manager Chris Turner's column he comments on press talk of a Barry Fry takeover and states that, "There is as much chance of that happening as Chris Turner going to the moon!!!"



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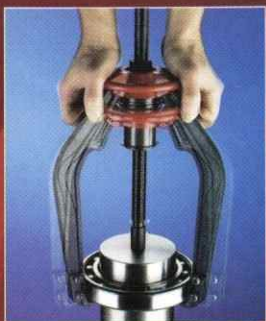
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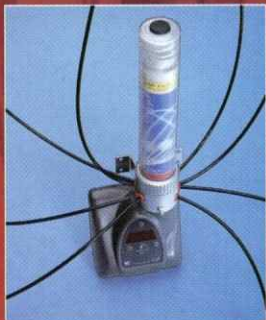
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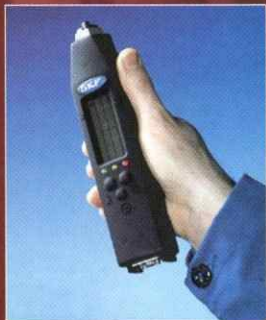
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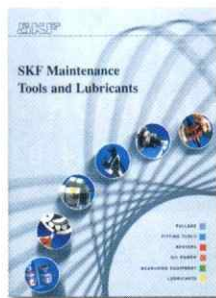
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Hatters Away

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Travelling by road to both matches could be a trial, with day-trippers heading for Blackpool, while Plymouth is on a busy holiday route to Devon and Cornwall.

However, two reliable coach services will again be on offer this season to all the Town's away games, run by Town on Tour and the long-established Bobbers Travel Club.

Town on Tour is offering two options on Tuesday: a day trip leaving at 10 am and a second coach departing at 1 pm.

The Bobbers will leave Cranfield at noon, leaving the ground an hour later. Fares are £16 for adults, £13 for pensioners and under-16s.

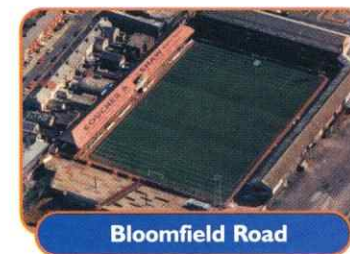
Town on Tour prices are £16 for members of Luton Town Supporters Club, £14 for senior and junior members and £19 for non-members. Both coaches will make brief pick-up stops at Milton Keynes Coachway about 20 minutes after leaving Luton.

It's an early start for the long trip to Plymouth on Saturday. The Bobbers leave Cranfield at 7.30 and Luton an hour later and their fares will be £17.50 for adults, £14 for concessions.

Town on Tour will leave at 8am, and fares are £17 for LTSC members, £15 concessionary members and £20 for others.

YOU can drive to Blackpool comfortably in under four hours if the roads are reasonably clear, but in August it could take considerably longer. On the map the best route looks like M1 and onto M6, but our man will miss out the most notorious part of the M6, through the midlands, doing a few extra miles in the process. His preferred route is north up M1 to junction 23a, near East Midlands Airport. There, turn left to take the A50, around Derby and Stoke, to join the M6 going north. Leave M6 at junction 32 and take the M55 into Blackpool. Stay on that road, going straight ahead at a roundabout after 13 miles, and you are on the A5230 Yeadon Way. Carry on past Blackpool South railway station and the ground is just ahead. There is plenty of council pay and display parking within easy reach of Bloomfield Road, although a lot of it may be taken by day-trippers until early evening.

Mileage from Luton: 220.



Bloomfield Road

The Road to Home Park

HOLIDAY traffic complications make us wary of recommending which of two possible routes you should take to



Home Park

Plymouth. On a good day, the trip is about four and a half hours, but on a Saturday in August...who knows?

Our man likes the shorter and more interesting route: south on M1, west on M25 and going beyond Heathrow to junction 12, turning right down the M3 and then onto the A303. Follow the signs towards Exeter, and near there join the M5 briefly, to follow the signs to Plymouth.

You go into Plymouth on the A38, heading towards Cornwall. Watch for the Manadon junction, and turn on to the A386, signposted towards the city centre. After just over a mile you will see the ground, and its car park, on your left.

The potential problem with the A303 is that it is not all dual carriageway, and in summer slow caravans can cause frustration on some stretches. But at least you get a view of Stonehenge on the way!

If you prefer a route which is nearly all motorway, leave Luton on the M1, but then take the M4 west, and M5 south, before picking up the route into Plymouth outlined above.

Mileage: About 265 via M4 and M5, around 245 via M3 and A303.

Bookings for away games travel can be made at LTSC or the Bobbers kiosks in Kenilworth Road, before or after today's match.

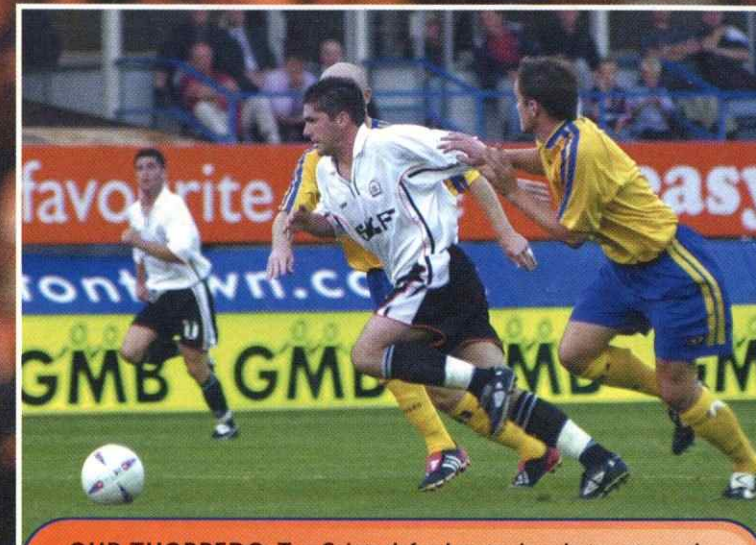
Paul Deason on 01234 750996 will take phone bookings for the Bobbers, whose services includes pick-ups at Cranfield, Marston Moretaine, Ampthill, Flitwick, Westoning and opposite the Travelodge Motel in Dunstable Road, Luton, close to the M1.

Town on Tour is an offshoot of Luton Town Supporters Club, and members get the best deals. You can call in to the club shop to book seats, or reserve them on the phone by calling 07960 567465.

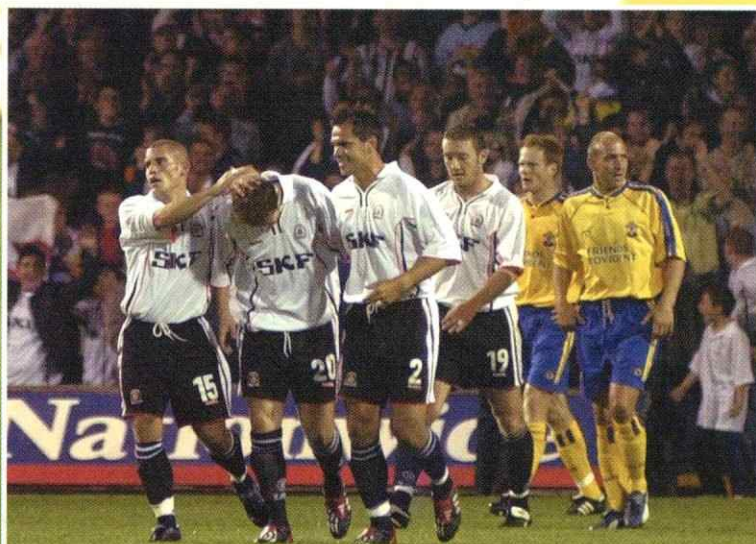
Maple Road car park, which will be stewarded, is available for coach passengers, at £4 per car.

Action Photo Special

Luton Town 3
Southampton 2



OUR THORPEDO: Two Saints defenders try in vain to get to grips with Tony Thorpe.



WELL STRUCK: Substitute Peter Holmes has just knocked in the winning goal, to complete a tremendous Town revival, and Dean Crowe, Aaron Skelton and Steve Howard share his delight.

Alan Kimble, one of the Town's three new signings so far, is poised and perfectly balanced in the friendly against Southampton – see page 45 for a report.



LTFC in the Community with Stuart Smith

GOOD afternoon and welcome to the start of a new season. While it is the beginning of the Nationwide League campaign, the Community Department has kept busy throughout the close season. Our coaching courses have gone from strength to strength. It was fantastic to see the Warden Hill School field crammed with an average of 70 children every week.

At the moment we are delivering our very successful summer programme, which includes the normal coaching courses as well as fun days and specialist goalkeeping clinics.

Last week's children were delighted to meet Lee Mansell who popped in to see how they were progressing, and our thanks to him for his support. I am in the process of finalising the next batch of evening and Saturday courses, and details should be in the matchday magazine for the Barnsley game.

We have recently launched a Dial-A-Coach scheme, which will enable local clubs can take advantage of the coaching skills available within a professional club. Also our Saturday

Soccer Clubs are available, and full details can be found in the Community Section of the Luton Town Web Pages.

Over the summer holidays I was delighted to take up the offer from Luton Borough Council and the Bedfordshire and Luton Business Education Partnership to deliver their week-long Soccer Camp, which came as part of their "Chillin" programme. This is designed to last the whole holiday and give the children the opportunity to participate in a multitude of different sports.

Below you can see a photo of the children that participated. They were delighted to have the opportunity to visit the ground and meet Brian Stein, Mark Ovendale, Peter Holmes and Carl Griffiths.

Finally, I am glad to announce that the Community Department are at last firmly seated in their new office in Oak Road. Please come and visit us, and see what is on offer from the department.

As is always the case if you would like any information on anything I have mentioned please call me on 01582 411622.

Once again, we are offering a perfect way to fill in the long summer school holidays, with a series of soccer coaching courses for children from 5 to 15 years old. They are a great way to improve your football skills under the expert guidance of qualified Football Association coaches, and have a lot of fun at the same time.

Courses will be held in Luton and Dunstable and are between one and three days. They last from 10am until 3pm, and cost just £10 per day. The courses are run by age group, with sessions for 5-6-year-olds, 7-11, and 12-15. We have separate courses for goalkeepers from 8-13. Luton Town players will be join in wherever possible.

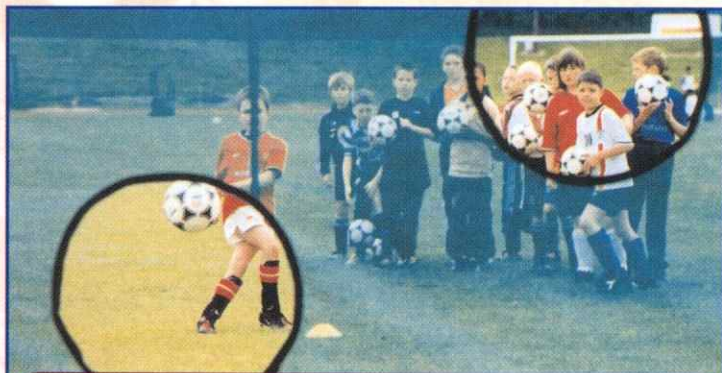
We are also running another popular Mini Kickers Fun Day on Thursday August 15 from 10am to 3pm at Hillborough Junior School, Luton. This is open to boys and girls between the aged of 5 and 6. It is different from the normal courses, with the emphasis not on coaching, but on organised fun games and Mini Soccer matches under the supervision of our qualified FA coaches.

The children can test their shooting accuracy and power, dribbling speed and passing accuracy in a series of fun tests.

The following day, we do it all again - same time, same place, same price - but for children aged 7-11.

The courses are in association with The Bedfordshire Football Association, Railtrack, Sportsmatch, Adidas and The Luton News.

If you are interested in enrolling for any of the courses, just check the table below to find the course code of the one you want, then fill in the booking form and send it with the appropriate cheque to Stuart Smith at: Luton Town Football Club, 1 Maple Road, Luton, Beds, LU4 8AW. One form per child must be signed by



TARGET PRACTICE: One of the fun tests we use in coaching courses is to challenge young shooting stars to place shots accurately.




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a parent or guardian. Please make cheques payable to: Luton Town Football Club. In The Community. Please enclose a stamped, self-addressed envelope for confirmation of your booking. Children must be registered by this date. No registration or payment can be accepted on the day unless by prior agreement with Stuart Smith at Luton Town FC.

PLEASE NOTE: there is a limit to the number of children we can take and first to enrol secure the places, so apply NOW or risk missing out.



LUTON TOWN FOOTBALL CLUB

FOOTBALL AND COMMUNITY PROGRAMME



DIAL - A - COACH allows you to complement your club's training /coaching sessions. Professional Football Association and UEFA qualified coach's from The Luton Town F.C. Football in the Community Department can deliver the session required. We can deliver sessions for your whole club, or just the one team that you think needs a little extra help. The coach can offer a structured course over a period of ten weeks (more or less if you require). Or maybe he can just come to you and deliver a one off session on that problem area. For further information please call Stuart Smith, the clubs Football and Community Development Officer on 01582 411622. Or return the form overleaf.

COURSE CODE	NO OF DAYS	VENUE	DATE	TIME	COST	COURSE TYPE
LSC 3	3	Bushmead Primary School Luton	Mon 12 - Wed 14 Aug	10.00am - 3.00pm	£30.00	5 - 6 yrs 7 - 11 yrs
MINI 1	1	Hillborough Junior School Luton	Thur 15 Aug	10.00am - 3.00pm	£10.00	Mini kickers fun day! 5 - 6 yrs
FUN 1	1	Hillborough Junior School Luton	Fri 16 Aug	10.00am - 3.00pm	£10.00	Fun day! 7 - 11 yrs
DGK 2	1	Queensbury School Meadow Dunstable	Tue 27 Aug	10.00am - 3.00pm	£10.00	Goalkeepers 8 - 13 yrs
DSC 2	3	Queensbury School Meadow Dunstable	Tue 27 - Thur 29 Aug	10.00am - 3.00pm	£30.00	5 - 6 yrs 7 - 11 yrs 12 - 15 yrs

Please reserve a place on the above course (pls put course code in the box on right).

Name: Age:

Address:

Postcode:

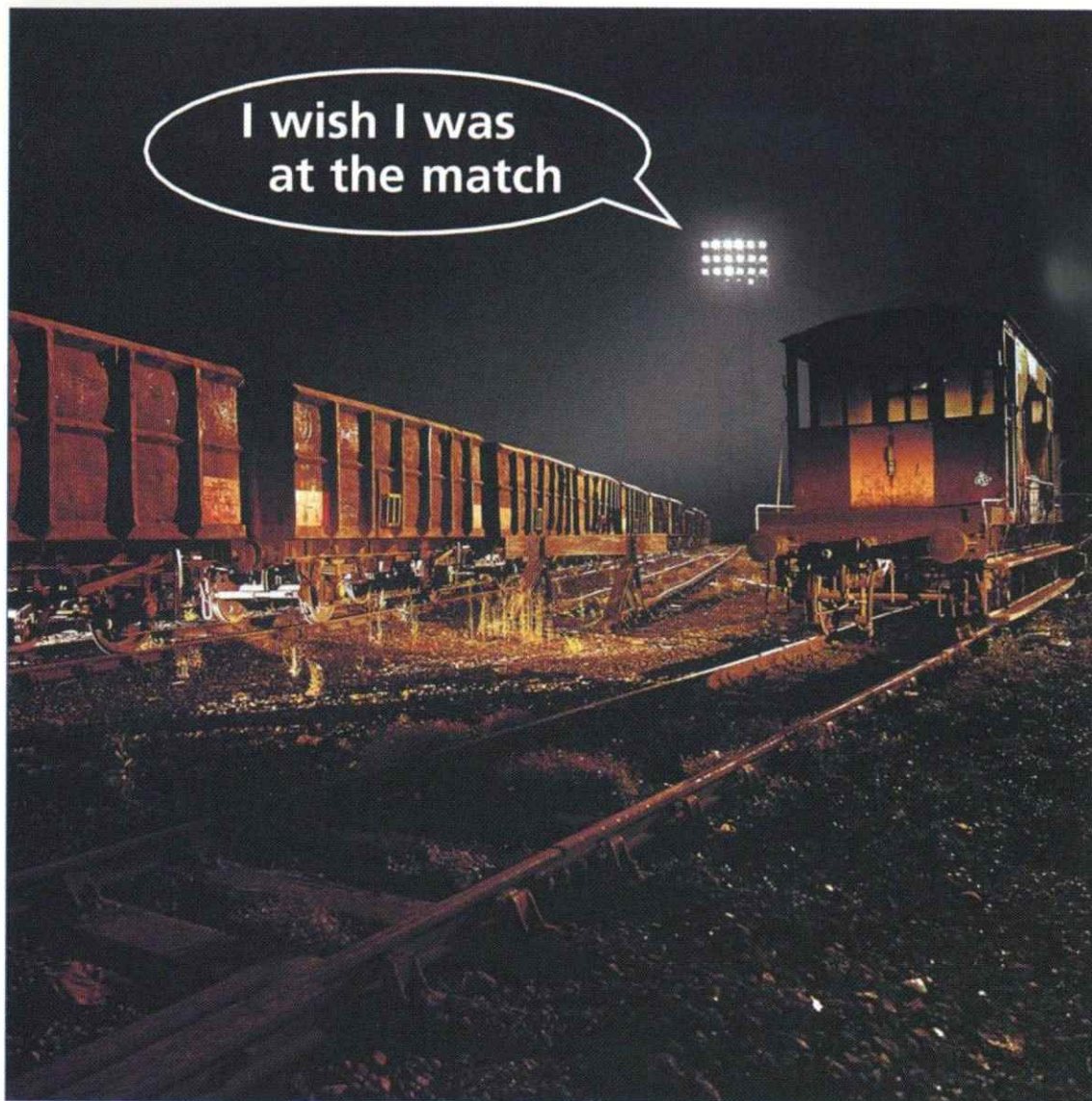
Home Tel No: School:

Any Health Problem Disorders or Medication? Please ring to give details.

I acknowledge and accept that Luton Town FC, their football in the community scheme, or the organisation providing facilities and their respective agents, servants and employees, are not under any liability whatsoever in respect of personal injury, loss or damage however caused whilst in attendance on the above course.

Signature of Parent / Guardian:

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Hatters Chatter

WHATEVER humiliations the Town might inflict on opponents this season, Second Division bank managers are likely to be delighted to see us. Few clubs enjoy the sort of away support the Town had last season, and the 2,000 who went for the final match, at Shrewsbury, hoisted our away following to a total of 30,602, an average of 1,177 per game – and that includes the season's lowest of 330 who went to Dagenham for the LDV match.

By contrast, visiting teams brought just 12,387 to Kenilworth Road, an average of 539 per match, with only Plymouth taking their full allocation of 1,900. Mansfield (1,256) and Rushden (1,134) were the only other four-figure away fol-

lowings, and the smallest was 154 who came with Halifax, who were just about relegated at the time.

The Town's biggest followings were 2,646 at Oxford on Boxing Day, 2,089 for a midweek game at Orient, and 2,166 at Mansfield. There were four-figure Town contingents at Carlisle, Southend twice, Kidderminster, Cheltenham, Torquay, Rushden, Swansea and Hull. Six clubs housed their highest league gates of the season when they entertained the Town: Kidderminster, Leyton Orient, Oxford, Rushden, Shrewsbury and Southend. In addition, Southend's highest attendance was in the FA Cup against the Town.

Attendances at Kenilworth Road

last season averaged 6,852, 19.1 per cent higher than the previous season.

Changes in Rules

BRISTOL Rovers, relegated with the Town just over a year ago, can thank their lucky stars they are not now playing in the Conference after finishing last season one place off the bottom of the Division Three table. At the Football League's annual general meeting in the summer, it was decided that in future the two bottom teams in Division Three will be relegated, instead of only one, with two coming up from the Conference.

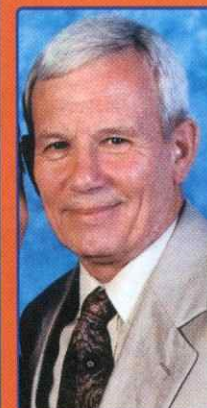
Among other changes for this season are new rules for signing loan players. Clubs will be allowed four short-term loans instead of two, plus four long-term, which again is double the previous limit. But no more than five loan players will be allowed in a squad of 16.

Programme Search

WE HAVE had a plea from Scott Thomas who is trying to find four vintage Town programmes, from August 1962, involving matches in the old Second Division. The games concerned are Bury away on the 18th, Southampton away on the 22nd, Rotherham at home on the 25th and Southampton at home on the 29th. If you can help Mr Thomas is on 020 7379 1313 (business) or 020 8946 8989 (home).

Brian Swain

WE WERE saddened to hear of the premature death of Ken Alston, one of our most loyal supporters, who lost a fight against cancer a month after enjoying our promotion season. Aged 56, he had been coming to Kenilworth Road since he was a boy, brought here originally by his dad to stand on the then open terrace. In latter years he had a season ticket in the main stand. Many will recognise his name, as a regular contributor to the message board on the Luton web site.



Ken, of Derwent Drive, Dunstable, leaves a widow, Margaret, and four daughters. She recalls that her wedding day, in 1968, really was something special: Ken spent most of the reception listening to the radio to check on how the Town were doing. The honeymoon was memorable too: the happy couple went on the supporters' club plane to watch the Town play in the Milk Cup at Everton. They were not quite so happy coming home, because we were beaten 5-1, but the marriage endured along with Ken's lifelong love of Luton Town. We offer our sympathies to his family.

Fancy a party or reception at Kenilworth Road? Then e-mail us on:
catering@lutontown.co.uk

TOWN TEASER

OUR popular Town trivia quiz will be a feature of matches again this season, offering a little prize at each game to one lucky person in the crowd. Listen to the PA announcer before kick-off for your chance to have a go.

We ended last season against Macclesfield, and the day's Teaser was about the visiting manager, asking why he was a prize guy at Kenilworth Road. The answer, of course, was that David Moss was a superb left winger in the side that won promotion to Division One in 1982.

Not too difficult, we think you will agree, and once more this season we will try to make the questions reasonably simple. And if you are struggling with the little poser printed below, the answer can be found somewhere in this programme.

TODAY'S QUESTION

A YEAR ago we started our promotion campaign with a victory on the opening day of the season. Who did we beat, what was the score, and who were the Town marksmen (both on their Hatters debuts)?

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DIVISION 2 STATS

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Average League Position, Last 10 Years

	Pos		Pos
QPR	27.5	Bournemouth	58.9
Tranmere	34.6	Blackpool	60.1
Stoke	41.1	Peterborough	61.2
Swindon	41.6	Bury	61.4
Huddersfield	42.3	Wycombe	62.6
Port Vale	43.2	Chesterfield	64.5
Reading	44.7	Wigan	64.6
Oldham	44.8	Cambridge	67.7
Bristol City	47	Brighton	70.3
Notts County	52.6	Cardiff	71.3
Brentford	56.1	Colchester	71.4
Wrexham	58.1	Northampton	73.1

A position of 1 would mean team had been top of Premier and 92 bottom of Div 3 for last 10 years

TOP GOALSCORERS

GOALS INSIDE 6yd BOX

Club	Player	Tot
Luton	Howard	14
Man City	Goater	13
Cheltenham	Alsop	12
Villa	Crouch	12
Mansfield	Greenacre	11
Plymouth	Coughlan	10
York	Nogan	10
Man Utd	van Nistel	9
Man Utd	Solskjaer	9
Celtic	Larsson	9
Crewe	Hulse	8
Gillingham	Onuora	8
B'mouth	Holmes	8
Brighton	Zamora	8

stats combined from all 5 divisions

SCORERS OF HEADERS

Club	Player	Tot
Cheltenham	Alsop	12
Burnley	Taylor	12
Villa	Crouch	11
Luton	Howard	11
Millwall	Cahill	9
Celtic	Larsson	8
Preston	Cresswell	7
Plymouth	Coughlan	7
Brentford	Owusu	7
Scunthorpe	Torpey	6
Newcastle	Shearer	6
Huddersfield	Booth	6
Celtic	Hartson	6
Brighton	Zamora	6
Walsall	Marcelo	6

Attendance Changes over 10 years

Club	Ave 92-93	Ave 01-02	% +/-
Reading	4,781	14,115	195
Wigan	2,592	5,772	123
Huddersfield	5,954	10,881	83
Northampton	3,127	5,253	68
Bury	2,667	3,914	47
Cardiff	8,536	12,523	47
Wycombe	4,602	6,681	45
Chesterfield	3,214	4,391	37
Bournemouth	4,464	5,068	14
Tranmere	8,071	8,655	7
Blackpool	5,501	5,701	4
Bristol City	11,000	11,220	2
Colchester	3,778	3,839	2
Brighton	6,695	6,598	-1
Stoke	16,556	13,966	-16
Brentford	8,471	6,714	-21
QPR	14,969	11,749	-22
Wrexham	4,997	3,800	-24
Notts County	8,194	5,956	-27
Peterborough	8,030	5,544	-31
Port Vale	8,092	5,210	-36
Cambridge	5,551	3,507	-37
Swindon	10,489	6,363	-39
Oldham	12,859	5,800	-55

Scorers' Points Gained & Scoring Run

Club	Player	Pts	SR
Brighton	Bobby Zamora	33	8
QPR	Andy Thomson	27	3
Huddersfield	Leon Knight	16	5
Wigan	Andy Liddell	16	2
Peterborough	Leon McKenzie	15	2
Notts County	Danny Allsopp	13	2
Wycombe	Andy Rammell	13	2
Brentford	Lloyd Owusu	11	2
Northampton	Jamie Forrester	11	3
Port Vale	Stephen McPhee	11	3
Chesterfield	Glynn Hurst	10	2
Colchester	Scott McGleish	10	2
Tranmere	Stuart Barlow	10	2

eg if player scores the goal in a 1-0 win, the goal is worth 2 pts as score would have been 0-0, or if 2 goals in 2-1 win, goals worth 3 pts

Goals Scored in Last 15 Minutes

FOR	76-90 Tot	%	AGAINST	76-90 Tot	%		
Northampton	18	54	33	Brighton	14	42	33
Chesterfield	15	53	28	Brentford	12	43	28
Huddersfield	17	65	26	Wigan	14	51	27
Oldham	20	77	26	Tranmere	16	60	27
Stoke	17	67	25	Cambridge	24	93	26
Wrexham	14	56	25	Peterborough	15	59	25
Blackpool	16	66	24	QPR	12	49	24
Tranmere	15	63	24	Bury	18	75	24
Bury	10	43	23	Blackpool	16	69	23
Colchester	15	65	23	Stoke	9	40	23
Reading	16	70	23	Wrexham	20	89	22

Ordered by the % of goals

scored/conceded in last 15 mins

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scored/conceded in last 15 mins

Goals from Set Pieces

CLUB	Co FK	CLUB	Co FK
Brentford	10 14	Swindon	3 11
Cardiff	13 10	Bournemouth	7 6
Wrexham	9 13	QPR	9 4
Oldham	12 8	Northampton	8 4
Wigan	13 5	Brighton	3 8
Wycombe	10 8	Bristol City	1 10
Huddersfield	9 7	Reading	7 4
Peterborough	10 6	Stoke	7 3
Tranmere	9 7	Bury	7 2
Blackpool	10 5	Port Vale	3 6
Colchester	7 7	Cambridge	8 0
Notts County	5 9	Chesterfield	5 2

Co = Corners FK = Free Kick Routines

COMEBACKS

Won from	-3	-2	-1	Tot
Huddersfield	0	0	8	8
QPR	0	1	7	8
Colchester	0	0	4	4
Wrexham	0	0	4	4
Bournemouth	0	1	2	3
Brentford	0	0	3	3
Bury	0	0	3	3
Northampton	0	0	3	3
Oldham	0	0	3	3
Tranmere	0	0	3	3

THROWAWAYS

Lost from	+3	+2	+1	Tot
Notts County	0	2	5	7
Wrexham	0	0	6	6
Peterborough	0	0	5	5
Bournemouth	0	0	4	4
Brentford	0	1	3	4
Cambridge	0	0	4	4
Cardiff	0	0	4	4
Wigan	0	0	4	4
Chesterfield	0	0	3	3
Northampton	0	0	3	3
Port Vale	0	0	3	3
Tranmere	0	0	3	3

number of games when clubs have come behind to win or been ahead and lost

Fouls Conceded & Offsides

Average fouls per match	Offsides per match
Tranmere 15.67	Reading 4.80
Notts County 14.48	Chesterfield 4.46
Wigan 14.30	Bristol City 4.00
Bury 14.17	Bury 3.98
Peterborough 13.83	Brentford 3.89
Brentford 13.52	QPR 3.67
Stoke 13.35	Bournemouth 3.65
Huddersfield 13.28	Tranmere 3.65
Swindon 13.24	Brighton 3.63
Cambridge 13.17	Peterborough 3.59
Oldham 12.89	Wycombe 3.54
Brighton 12.83	Oldham 3.48



Luton Belles

JUST like Luton Town, who are, of course the team we all support, the Luton Belles have already been working to prepare for their new season. It kicks off on September 1, and like the Hatters we have also tested ourselves in pre-season friendlies, and the performances have been encouraging after a losing start. We began with a 1-0 defeat against Derby County, but then chalked up two 3-0 victories, against Northampton Town and Schrock Rossdorf from Germany. Stacey Connell, Fay Howell and Amy Gray were the

scorers against Northampton. Gray was again on target against the Germans, with Kim Hide added the other two goals. After finishing a very satisfactory third in the league last season, we are entering the new season with just one aim: to win the championship. With only one team being promoted, last season's runners up Wycombe Wanderers will be seen as the biggest threat, with Milton Keynes also fancying their chances. But we should have a physiological advantage over Wycombe, having beaten them 6-2 at the end of last season. As well as the ladies team play-

ing in The Southern Region League, we will be running five youth teams this season, offering organised competitive football for girls at under 11, under 13 and under 14 divisions in the Hertfordshire Girls League, and under 12 and under 14 sides in The Bedfordshire League.

Any ladies or girls who may be interested in joining us can email Dave Baker at lutonbelles@hotmail.com and to find out more about us a new website www.lutontown-belles.com will be launched towards the end of the month.

Dave Baker

SHARPSHOOTER: Leading goalscorer Stacey Connell celebrates the completion of her hat-trick in the 6-2 win over Wycombe Wanderers at the end of last season.



Junior Hatters

AFTER a very successful campaign last season, the Junior Hatters is back in business today, and hoping that we are about to have another promotion season to enjoy. And if you are 16 or under, there is no better way to follow Luton Town than through membership of the Junior Hatters.

At £12 for new members, and £7 for those rejoining, we think it is a bargain. Benefits include a free gift when you join, a birth-

day card signed by your favourite player, a regular newsletter, the chance to be chosen as a mascot or ball boy/girl, subsidised travel to away games and a Christmas disco.

When the school holidays are over we also run a very popular Saturday Club, at Dallow Road Junior School, offering all kinds of entertainment before and during the game. A sausage-and-chips lunch is included and

the price is just £5 for Junior Hatters with season tickets, and £11 for others, to include a match ticket.

For more information, call in at the club shop, or phone the shop on Luton 411622. You can also e-mail us on clubshop@lutontown.co.uk

Happy Harry

VIP SUPPORTERS: One of the major benefits of Junior Hatters membership is the chance to be a mascot at Town games. The choice is a matter of luck: a name is picked out at random, and the lucky young fan has a day to remember, seeing what goes on behind the scenes, meeting the team before kick-off, and then going onto the pitch with the players for the warm-up and the toss of the coin.



Billy Rogers

Our picture shows the mascots, skippers and match officials before the final game of last season, when we entertained Macclesfield. Doing the honours for the Junior Hatters was 15-year-old Aileen Burns, from Evedon Close, Limbury. The commercial mascot, the other young fan in the picture, was Ben Barzilay, 10, from Moor Lane, Flitwick.

Today, the Junior Hatters mascot is Billy Rogers, who is ten and comes from Littleberries, March Farm, Luton. He attends Wauluds Bank Primary School, Luton, and comes to games with his dad. Watching Luton Town is his major hobby, but he also likes bird watching.

THE WINNING COMBINATION!

Camden



Hatters Abroad



LOTS OF football folk are deeply into cricket as well, and the picture of Ian Smith taken on the other side of the globe is a perfect example. The snap was taken at Christchurch, New Zealand, in our spring, their late summer, during England's test victory over the home side.

Ian, who sent us the picture by e-mail, explained: "Much as I love the Town - I sponsor John Moore's kit - I love cricket as well, being the Treasurer of both Ampthill Town Cricket Club & Bedfordshire County Cricket Club. Hence my visit down-under for the first two tests, but I returned in time to be at Swansea for the promotion party!"



YOU will recognise the Town shirt easily enough, and TV soap opera devotees might also be able to put a name to the young lady in the photograph sent to us by James Hingston, from Chesterton Avenue, Harpenden.

He explained: "I am 25, and have supported Luton all my life, my first true memory being David Pleat dancing across the pitch at Maine Road as Luton avoided relegation on the last day of the 1982/83 season. "This is a photo of me with Ada Nicodemou, taken on a holiday in Australia. Ada plays the character of Leah Patterson in the Australian soap Home and Away. The picture was taken at Palm Beach, just north of Sydney, where the beach scenes in Home and Away are shot."

AS THE programme has been increased to 56 pages, we hope this season to give more regular space to this popular feature, subject, of course, to supporters providing the raw material. So we will be pleased to receive pictures of fans in Town colours anywhere in the world. If you have an interesting snap you would like to see published please send it, with a few details, to the editor, by post to Luton Town FC or e-mail to brian.swain@btinternet.com

Please enclose a stamped self-addressed envelope if you want the photographs back, but please remember that with the best will in the world they sometimes go astray.

We are also pleased to hear about very young Town supporters - our "Mini-Hatters" feature will appear occasionally, and any photo of youngsters in the appropriate Hatters kit will be welcome.

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Marathon Triumph

SEASON ticket holder Dave Suttle did us proud in the Flora London Marathon, when he carried the Town's colours in the football section of the race.

His preparation was hampered by a knee problem, but he overcame it magnificently, to get round the course in four hours and nine minutes. More importantly, his efforts raised £2,000 for charity, with nearly £500 of it donated by Town fans.

We thank Dave for his efforts, and all who gave him their backing. The money was split between the

Cystic Fibrosis Trust and the Keech Cottage children's hospice.

We acknowledge with thanks donations made in response to articles in the matchday magazine by Roger and Christine Barton, James Farmbrough, Vic and Marilyn Fussell, Shirley Hobbs, J. Heley, M. Ingram, Les and Sue Miller, Pam and Terry Oliver, Chris Park, John Pyper, L. H. Smith, the boardroom and Kenilworth Suite, The Bricklayers Arms, and Luton Town Supporters Club.

Dave, from Humber Road, Blackheath, said he did not suffer

quite as much as he expected, with the enthusiastic crowds a big help, and he was recovered well enough six days after the race to join the promotion party at Shrewsbury.

His own sponsorship efforts were tremendous - he raised £1,500 from among his friends and family, and members of the Meridian Primary School community at Greenwich, where he is head teacher.

He added: "Here's to successive promotions... and to some other poor soul running the 26.2 miles next April!"



WELL DONE DAD: Madeleine Suttle, also a season ticket holder, has every reasons to be proud of her dad, whose marathon efforts earned £2,000 for charity.

Pre-Match Entertainment

This afternoon's pre-match and half time entertainment is managed by our PA announcers Justin Dealey and Steve Faulkner.

2.10 Club mascot Happy Harry runs on the pitch.

2.15 Team Line up's

2.30 HMV Single of the week -
COLDPLAY - IN MY PLACE

2.35 Dedications announced.

2.45 Town Teaser -

A YEAR ago we started our promotion campaign with a victory on the opening day of the season. Who did we beat, what was the score, and who were the Town marksmen (both on their Hatters debuts)?

2.50 Player Track - Alan Neilson
BEAUTIFUL SOUTH - ROTTERDAM

2.55 Teams runout to - The Blues Brothers
"Gimme Some Lovin".

3.00 THE BIG KICK OFF

HALF TIME

3.50 Golden Gamble - Winning ticket picked by
Luton Town Player.

3.55 Run down of half time scores from around
the country

4.00 Repeat of dedications

4.05 Teams arrive back on pitch to theme song
"Gimme Some Lovin".

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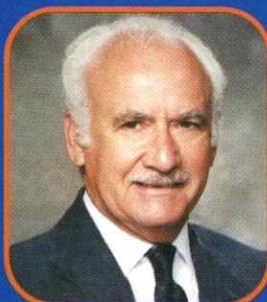
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Mike Watson-Challis Chairman

Reviewed August, 2002.

Pre-Season Action Replay



Luton Town 1 Gillingham 0 (Abandoned at half-time)

MANAGERS and players were, if anything, even more frustrated than supporters when the Town's first home pre-season friendly was cut short because of a power failure. A substation outside the ground failed during a torrential downpour, and with no electricity in much of the ground - the floodlights were working thanks to a back-up generator - the decision to end the game early was taken on safety grounds. It was a shame for the fans, because the signs were that the game was building up nicely into an entertaining contest. The Town looked better than their First Division visitors, as Gillingham player-manager Andy Hessenthaler conceded.

"Luton have a good side and I think they will have a good season," he said. "Over the 45 minutes they were better than us."

Home fans had their first look at

new signing Steve Robinson, and welcomed back Tony Thorpe. The Town looked more patient and composed in their build-up play, against a team which used a lot of long ball.

Visiting keeper Vince Bartram was far busier than Carl Emberson, and made two decent saves in quick succession, to deny Thorpe from an opening made by trialist Christophe Kinet, and then from Kinet's powerful 25-yard free kick.

Another set piece led to the Town taking the lead they deserved. Kevin Nicholls delivered a free kick into the heart of the penalty area, and the attempted clearance

dropped nicely for Matt Spring, 25 yards from goal. His first-time drive rocketed into the net aided by a slight deflection.

Joe Kinnear said: "The abandonment was a disappointment for all of us. We played some good football, and were looking confident. We were more than a match for Gillingham, and while you are always wary about drawing conclusions from pre-season games, there were good things in that performance."

Luton Town: Emberson; Neilson, Bayliss, Coyne, Kimble; Robinson, Nicholls, Spring, Kinet; Howard, Thorpe.

Gillingham: Bartram; Nosworthy, Hope, Ashby, Edge; Shaw (James 29 mins), Hessenthaler, Smith, Perpetuini; Ipoua, Sidibe.



DANGER MAN: Steve Howard, who has looked as sharp and powerful as ever during the pre-season friendlies, goes for goal against Gillingham.



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Pre-Season Action Replay



**Luton Town 3
Southampton 2**

IT MIGHT have been "only a friendly" but manager Gordon Strachan conducted a long inquest in the away dressing room after the Town embarrassed his Premiership stars. Two up with 33 minutes to play, Southampton were swept aside by a cracking Town fight-back, leaving Mr Strachan "very disappointed indeed."

For his part, Joe Kinnear was not happy with the Town's opening spell, but pleased at the way they got better and better as the game progressed, to the delight of most of the 4,746 in the crowd.

Perhaps Southampton were kidded by their early supremacy, during which goalkeeper Alan Coombe, a trialist with Dundee United, began to earn his man of the match accolade.

He was beaten by Chris Marsden on 29 minutes and by Jo Tessim 12 minutes into the second half, but Southampton were given little chance to build on that platform. Within two minutes of the second goal Tony Thorpe marked his return to Kenilworth Road with a goal, racing down the middle to

catch a through-ball by Kevin Nicholls, and finishing expertly as Southampton's defenders wondered how to deal with him.

Confidence surged through the Town, while Southampton's faltered. Mr Strachan blamed the defeat on the substitutions he made, wanting to have a look at contenders for first team places. Two changes were made in the back four which, he said, he would not have considered in the Premiership, and if the same set-up had been kept he doubted if Luton would have won.

But he also confessed that on the evidence of the last half-hour, the Town deserved it, and he thought they would do well this season.

Southampton used four subs, and the Town eight and it was clear fringe men are hungry for a chance. By the end the evidence seemed to be that like for like, the Town's back-up was better than

Southampton's.

The South Coast press contingent fears that while Southampton might have a decent squad of 12 or 14 Premiership players, they might struggle if they are hit by injuries or suspensions, with the second line men falling short. Joe used to worry about that being a problem here, which is why he has worked to build a deeper squad, and while Mr Strachan was bemoaning the drop in ability that resulted in his team changes, the Town took delight in seeing their pay off handsomely, with Andrew Fotiadis equalising on 81 minutes, shortly after being sent on, and Peter Holmes netting the winner two minutes later.

The only down side for the Town was that Adrian Forbes was a sub who had to be subbed because of a hamstring injury.

Luton Town: Coombe; Boyce, Bayliss (Perrett HT), Coyne, Kimble (Hillier 80 mins); Robinson (Brkovic 60 mins), Nicholls (Holmes 80 mins), Spring (Skelton 80 mins), Hughes (Forbes HT, replaced by Fotiadis 80 mins); Howard, Thorpe (Crowe 60 mins).
Southampton: Jones; Dodd (Telfer 80 mins), Lundekvam (Michael Svensson HT), Williams, Benali; Fernandes, Oakley (Draper 80 mins), Anders Svensson, Marsden; Davies (Ormerod HT), Tessim.



THREAT: Adrian Forbes used his pace to good effect to discomfort Southampton, but this effort was saved, and the unlucky winger was later carried off with a hamstring injury which will probably keep him out of this afternoon's squad.

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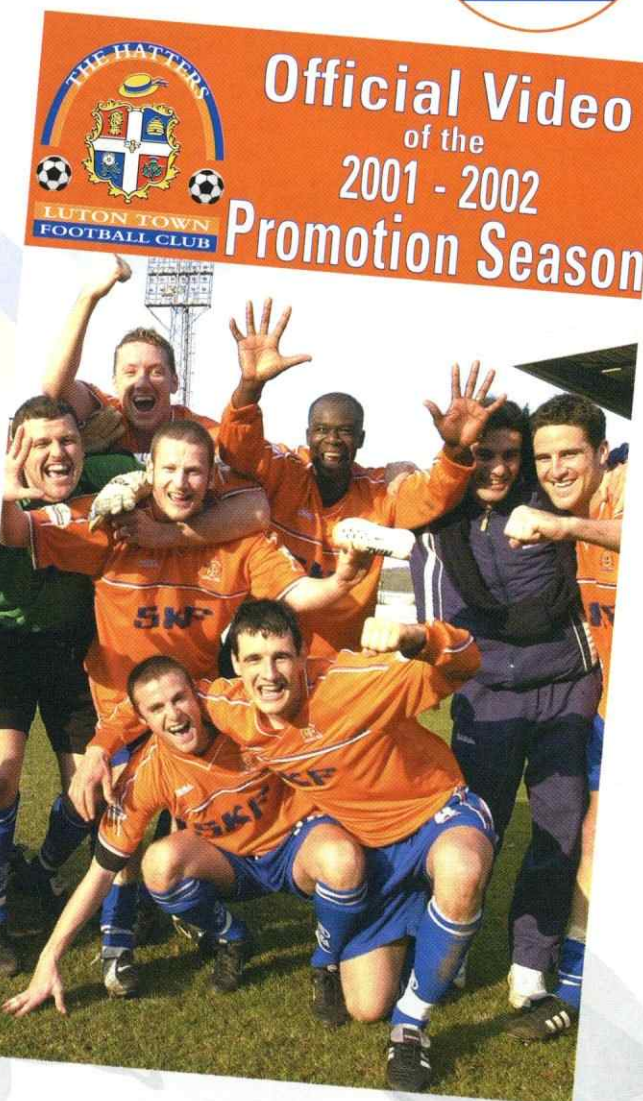
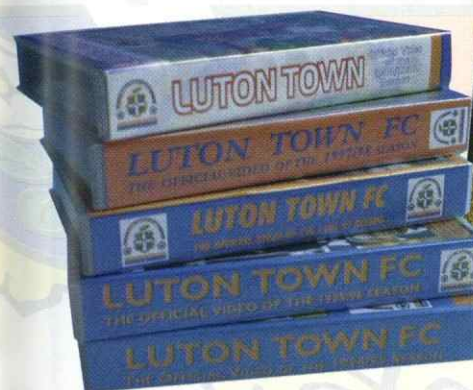
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Youth Soccer



WE KICK off the new season next week with an extra squad playing in the Football League Youth Alliance. We have entered the under-17 section for the first time, to give our schoolboys and first-year scholars better competition. Until last season they were confined to friendlies, with no league tables, and no results allowed to be published, and there was a feeling that they were not being tested enough. But the under-19s will continue to be a comparatively young side as we look for that squad to produce players good enough to become regulars in the reserves, and perhaps challenge for first team squad places as well.

The search for good young

players seems to get harder every season, and one reason is that clubs are restricted to a comparatively local area from which they are allowed to recruit. Sadly, the Luton area is not currently producing enough schoolboy players worthy of places on the first rung of the ladder towards a professional football career.

Not so long ago clubs like ours could compete with the best in the land if they had a good scouting system: think of players like Paul Telfer from Edinburgh, and Ceri Hughes, Mark Pembroke and John Hartson from South Wales. We brought them in as associate schoolboys, and brought them all the way through the ranks.

Now, we are restricted to

players living within 90 minutes driving time of Luton, which means we are unable to spread the net far and wide, and also have to compete with Premiership clubs in London and Birmingham.

There is also a "transfer market" developing at schoolboy level as big clubs use their financial strength to attract boys away. Within recent months we have lost four lads, aged between 9 and 12, to a Premiership club. They had to pay modest fees as compensation, but we were powerless to prevent the lads leaving. It is a moot point whether they will have as good a chance as we might have been able to offer here at Luton.

We have to be selective in the school-leavers who are taken on for three-year football scholarships, which have replaced the old two-year YTS scheme. But it has been disappointing that this summer we have been able to find only four who measured up to our standards: Dean Brill, a goalkeeper and local boy; Max Howell, a defender from North London, Leon Barnett, a centre-back who is also from this area, and Richard Mansell, brother of Lee, another defender, from Gloucester.

I hope they all make progress, but they can be sure it will need a lot of hard work and determination and most of all a real hunger and desire to be a professional.

John Moore

FL Youth Alliance Under-19

August		
17	Walsall	H
24	Kidderminster	A
September		
7	Brentford (LC)	A
14	Oxford (LC)	H
21	Wycombe (LC)	H
28	Northampton	H
October		
12	Peterborough	A
19	West Brom	A
26	Rushden	H
November		
2	Oxford Utd	H
9	Cambridge	A
16	Peterborough	H
30	West Brom	H
December		
7	Rushden & D	A
14	Oxford Utd	A
January		
11	Cambridge	H
18	Walsall	A
25	Kidderminster	H
February		
1	Northampton	A
8	Merit Division starts	

FL Youth Alliance Under-17

August		
17	Brighton	A
24	Peterborough	H
September		
7	Southend	A
14	Portsmouth	H
21	Gillingham	A
28	Cambridge	A
October		
5	Colchester	H
19	QPR	H
26	Wycombe	A
November		
2	L. Orient	A
9	Brentford	H
16	Cambridge	H
23	Colchester	A
30	QPR	A
December		
7	Wycombe	H
14	L. Orient	H
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11	Brentford	A
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In Reserve



WE BEGIN our competitive season on Wednesday, when we go to Ashton Gate to play Bristol City in the final of the Avon Insurance Cup. The game was held over from last season, so our

team may be a little different from what it might have been then. But we will certainly be trying hard to win: it's always nice to bring a cup into the club!

F	A	Pts
52	22	48
50	26	47
48	33	45
36	22	42
41	31	38
43	39	38
41	36	37
39	30	37
35	25	36
35	29	35
37	53	35
40	38	34
30	35	34
31	34	32
30	43	32
31	34	30
30	27	32
31	34	31
33	35	28
32	38	26
29	43	25
31	44	24
26	47	23
25	42	22
22	38	18

players coming in and others going out, and I expect that the reserves will once more be a mixture of young and old. We finished eighth in the table last season, and should have done a bit better than that. But we used a lot of trialists, sometimes three or four at the same time, and it is not easy to play well when some of the players don't know each other.

It's frustrating, but we know that is how it has to be. We are always

trying to find players, and the only way to judge them is to use them in competitive games. It becomes worth it when, as last season, we signed Dean Crowe and Jean-Louis Valois after they had trials in the reserves.

I always want to see us win every game, and for me too many players in the reserves under-achieved last season. At Luton we always give young lads a chance, and they know that if they work hard in the reserves they can catch the boss's eye and take their career up a stage.

We have had a pretty good pre-season programme, with four wins and one defeat from our five games, all of them away. They were all good work-outs, with a 1-0 win at Aylesbury, a 3-1 success at Bedford Town and another 3-1 victory at Harrow Borough. Our only defeat was by 4-2 to a very strong Arsenal side, while on Saturday we went to Borehamwood and won a tough game 1-0, with a goal by Andrew Fotiadis.

We were due to play at Letchworth on Tuesday evening, but our final warm-up game had to be cancelled because Letchworth were unable to raise a team. However, we have been working well in training, and I think we will give a good account of ourselves at Bristol on Wednesday evening. Our Avon Insurance League fixtures begin at Reading on the following Wednesday, with our home programme starting on Wednesday August 28 when we meet Bristol Rovers at Kenilworth Road (2pm).

Brian Stein

AVON INSURANCE COMBINATION LAST SEASON'S FINAL TABLE

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
QPR	24	14	6	4	52	22	48
Crystal Palace	24	14	5	5	50	26	47
Brentford	24	13	6	5	48	33	45
Portsmouth	24	12	6	6	36	22	42
Cardiff	24	11	5	8	41	31	38
Peterborough	24	12	2	10	41	39	38
Millwall	24	10	7	7	43	36	37
Luton Town	24	10	7	7	39	30	37
Reading	24	10	6	8	35	25	36
Southend	24	9	8	7	35	29	35
Leyton Orient	24	11	2	11	37	53	35
Norwich	24	9	7	8	40	38	34
Oxford	24	9	7	8	30	35	34
Barnet	24	10	2	12	31	34	32
Cheltenham	24	9	5	10	30	43	32
Gillingham	24	8	6	10	31	34	30
Brighton	24	7	11	6	30	27	32
Bristol Rovers	24	9	4	11	31	34	31
Bristol City	24	7	7	10	33	35	28
Colchester	24	7	5	12	32	38	26
Cambridge	24	7	4	13	29	43	25
Wycombe	24	7	3	14	31	44	24
Bournemouth	24	6	5	13	26	47	23
Northampton	24	4	10	10	25	42	22
Swindon	24	4	6	14	22	38	18

LEAGUE CUP GROUP A

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Luton Town	2	1	1	0	3	0	4
Norwich	2	1	1	0	3	2	4
Cambridge	2	0	0	2	2	6	0

Avon Insurance Combination Fixtures

August				January			
Wed 14	Bristol City(LC)	A	7pm	Wed 8	Brighton	A	7pm
Wed 21	Reading	A	2pm	Wed 15	C. Palace	H	2pm
Wed 28	Bristol Rov	H	2pm	Wed 29	Leyton Orient	A	2pm
September				February			
Wed 4	Millwall	H	2pm	Wed 5	Bristol City	H	2pm
Wed 18	Swindon	A	2pm	Wed 19	Cardiff	A	2pm
Wed 25	Peterborough	H	2pm	Wed 26	Cheltenham	H	2pm
October				March			
Wed 2	Bournemouth	H	2pm	Wed 12	Norwich	H	2pm
Wed 9	Plymouth	A	2pm	Wed 25	Brentford	A	2pm
Wed 16	Wycombe	H	2pm	April			
Wed 30	Cambridge	A	2pm	Wed 2	Colchester	H	2pm
November				Wed 16	Gillingham	A	2pm
Wed 13	QPR	H	2pm	Wed 23	Portsmouth	H	2pm
Wed 27	Northampton	A	2pm	Mon 28	Oxford	A	2pm
December							
Wed 4	Southend	A	2pm				
Wed 11	Barnet	H	2pm				

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Date	Opponents	Venue	Kick Off Time/Result	Score (LT first)	Attendance	Competition/Position	Referee	Yellow Cards (LT first)	Red Cards (LT first)	Goalkeepers	Defenders	Midfielders	Forwards	Own Goals
Sat 10 Aug	PETERBOROUGH UNITED	H	3:00pm			D2								
Tue 13 Aug	Blackpool	A	7:45pm			D2								
Sat 17 Aug	Plymouth Argyle	A	3:00pm			D2								
Sat 24 Aug	BARNSELEY	H	3:00pm			D2								
Mon 26 Aug	Cardiff City	A	3:00pm			D2								
Sat 31 Aug	CHESTERFIELD	H	3:00pm			D2								
Sat 7 Sep	Brentford	A	3:00pm			D2								
Tue 10 Sep	Watford	A	7:45pm			WC1								
Sat 14 Sep	NOTTS COUNTY	H	3:00pm			D2								
Tue 17 Sep	MANSFIELD TOWN	H	7:45pm			D2								
Sat 21 Sep	Huddersfield Town	A	3:00pm			D2								
Sat 28 Sep	SWINDON TOWN	H	3:00pm			D2								
Tue 1 Oct						WC2								
Sat 5 Oct	Stockport County	A	3:00pm			D2								
Sat 12 Oct	CHELTEMHAM TOWN	H	3:00pm			D2								
Sat 19 Oct	Oldham Athletic	A	3:00pm			D2								
Tue 22 Oct						LDVVT1								
Sat 26 Oct	WIGAN ATHLETIC	H	3:00pm			D2								
Tue 29 Oct	Crewe Alexandra	A	7:45pm			D2								
Sat 2 Nov	Northampton Town	A	3:00pm			D2								
Tue 5 Nov						WC3								
Sat 9 Nov	PORT VALE	H	3:00pm			D2								
Tue 12 Nov						LDVVT2								
Sat 16 Nov						FAC1								
Sat 23 Nov	QUEENS PARK RANGERS	H	3:00pm			D2								
Sat 30 Nov	Tranmere Rovers	A	3:00pm			D2								
Sat 7 Dec						FAC2								
Tue 10 Dec						LDVVT3								
Sat 14 Dec	COLCHESTER UNITED	H	3:00pm			D2								
Sat 21 Dec	Bristol City	A	3:00pm			D2								
Thu 26 Dec	CARDIFF CITY	H	12:00pm			D2								
Sat 28 Dec	Wycombe Wanderers	A	3:00pm			D2								
Wed 1 Jan	Chesterfield	A	3:00pm			D2								
Sat 4 Jan	BLACKPOOL (or FAC3)	H	3:00pm			D2								
Sat 11 Jan	PLYMOUTH ARGYLE	H	3:00pm			D2								
Sat 18 Jan	Barnsley	A	3:00pm			D2								
Sat 25 Jan	WYCOMBE WANDERERS	H	3:00pm			D2								
Sat 1 Feb	Peterborough United	A	12:00pm			D2								
Sat 8 Feb	Port Vale	A	3:00pm			D2								
Sat 15 Feb	NORTHAMPTON TOWN	H	3:00pm			D2								
Sat 22 Feb	BRENTFORD	H	3:00pm			D2								
Sat 1 Mar	Notts County	A	3:00pm			D2								
Tue 4 Mar	Mansfield Town	A	7:45pm			D2								
Sat 8 Mar	HUDDERSFIELD TOWN	H	3:00pm			D2								
Sat 15 Mar	Wigan Athletic	A	3:00pm			D2								
Tue 18 Mar	OLDHAM ATHLETIC	H	7:45pm			D2								
Sat 22 Mar	CREWE ALEXANDRA	H	3:00pm			D2								
Sat 29 Mar	Cheltenham Town	A	3:00pm			D2								
Sat 5 Apr	TRANMERE ROVERS	H	3:00pm			D2								
Sat 12 Apr	Queens Park Rangers	A	3:00pm			D2								
Sat 19 Apr	BRISTOL CITY	H	3:00pm			D2								
Mon 21 Apr	Colchester United	A	3:00pm			D2								
Sat 26 Apr	STOCKPORT COUNTY	H	3:00pm			D2								
Sat 3 May	Swindon Town	A	3:00pm			D2								

We've beaten Plymouth!

WE HAVE always tried to make our matchday magazine as interesting as possible - "Give 'em a good read" is the editor's perpetual cry - so we were rather pleased to win the Programme of the Year award for the Third Division, thanks to a vote by executives of every club in the division.

The poll was organised by the Commercial & Marketing Managers Association, which is part of the Institute of Football Management and Administration. Having seen three different editions of programmes from each club, they awarded our magazine 2,083 points. Runners-up were Rushden & Diamonds with 2,034, followed by Plymouth with 2,008 and Kidderminster with 1,935.

The editor is fortunate to have a very good team working on the programme, and puts on record his thanks to photographer Gareth Owen, Dave Newman, who does the brilliant stats chart as a labour of love, and the printers, Regal Litho, of Selbourne Road Luton.

Attendance Statistics

(All Competitions)

0 (S)cored 0 (M)issed = n/a% Success

Highest Home 0,000

Average Home 0,000

Lowest Home 0,000

Highest Away 0,000

Average Away 0,000

Lowest Away 0,000

Key

X Substituted 1 Goal

SUS Suspended

Luton Town FC Statistics Chart designed and updated by David Newman

Suspension Notes: (Note#1) Player will be suspended for 1 match after 5 yellow cards, unless the 5th booking is after February

Last seasons final placings

Nationwide League Division Two

	HOME					AWAY					GD	Pts
	P	W	D	L	F A	P	W	D	L	F A		
Brighton	46	17	5	1	42 16	8	10	5	24 26	24	90	
Reading	46	12	7	4	36 20	11	8	4	34 23	27	84	
Brentford	46	17	5	1	48 12	7	6	10	29 31	34	83	
Cardiff	46	12	8	3	39 25	11	6	6	36 25	25	83	
*Stoke	46	16	4	3	43 12	7	7	9	24 28	27	80	
Huddersfield	46	13	7	3	35 19	8	8	7	30 28	18	78	
Bristol City	46	13	6	4	38 21	8	4	11	30 32	15	73	
QPR	46	11	10	2	35 18	8	4	11	25 31	11	71	
Oldham	46	14	6	3	47 27	4	10	9	30 38	12	70	
Wigan	46	9	6	8	36 23	7	10	6	30 28	15	64	
Wycombe	46	13	5	5	38 26	4	8	11	20 38	-6	64	
Tranmere	46	10	9	4	39 19	5	6	11	24 41	3	63	
Swindon	46	10	7	6	26 21	5	7	11	20 35	-10	59	
Port Vale	46	11	6	6	35 24	5	4	14	16 38	-11	58	
Colchester	46	9	6	8	35 33	6	6	11	30 43	-11	57	
Blackpool	46	8	9	6	39 31	6	5	12	27 38	-3	56	
Peterborough	46	11	5	7	46 26	4	5	14	18 33	5	55	
Chesterfield	46	9	3	11	35 36	4	10	9	18 29	-12	52	
Notts County	46	8	7	8	28 29	5	4	14	31 42	-12	50	
Northampton	46	9	4	10	30 33	5	3	15	24 46	-25	49	
Bournemouth	46	9	4	10	36 33	1	10	12	20 38	-15	44	
Bury	46	6	9	8	25 32	5	2	16	17 43	-32	44	
Wrexham	46	7	7	9	29 32	4	3	16	27 57	-33	43	
Cambridge	46	7	7	9	29 34	0	6	17	18 59	-40	34	

Nationwide League Division Three

	HOME					AWAY					GD	Pts
	P	W	D	L	F A	P	W	D	L	F A		
Plymouth	46	19	2	2	41 11	12	7	4	30 17	43	102	
Luton Town	46	15	5	3	50 18	15	2	6	46 30	48	97	
Mansfield	46	17	3	3	49 24	7	4	12	23 36	12	79	
*Cheltenham	46	11	11	1	40 20	10	4	9	26 29	17	78	
Rochdale	46	13	8	2	41 22	8	7	8	24 30	13	78	
Rushden & D	46	14	5	4	40 20	6	8	9	29 33	16	73	
Hartlepool	46	12	6	5	53 23	8	5	10	21 25	26	71	
Scunthorpe	46	14	5	4	43 22	5	9	9	31 34	18	71	
Shrewsbury	46	13	4	6	36 19	7	6	10	28 34	11	70	
Kidderminster	46	13	6	4	35 17	6	3	14	21 30	9	66	
Hull City	46	12	6	5	38 18	4	7	12	19 33	6	61	
Southend	46	12	5	6	36 22	3	8	12	15 32	-3	58	
Macclesfield	46	7	7	9	23 25	8	6	9	18 27	-11	58	
York	46	11	5	7	26 20	5	4	14	28 47	-13	57	
Darlington	46	11	6	6	37 25	4	5	14	23 46	-11	56	
Exeter	46	7	9	7	25 32	7	4	12	23 41	-25	55	
Carlisle	46	11	5	7	31 21	1	11	11	18 35	-7	52	
L. Orient	46	10	7	6	37 25	3	6	14	18 46	-16	52	
Torquay	46	8	6	9	27 31	4	9	10	19 32	-17	51	
Swansea	46	7	8	8	26 26	6	4	13	27 51	-24	51	
Oxford	46	8	7	8	34 28	3	7	13	19 34	-9	47	
Lincoln	46	8	4	11	25 27	2	12	9	19 35	-18	46	
Bristol Rovers	46	8	7	8	28 28	3	5	15	12 32	-20	45	
Halifax	46	5	9	9	24 28	3	3	17	15 56	-45	36	

Today's Other Second Division Fixtures

Bristol City v Blackpool
Cheltenham v Wigan
Colchester v Stockport
Huddersfield v Brentford
Mansfield v Plymouth
Northampton v Crewe

Notts County v Wycombe
Oldham v Cardiff
Port Vale v Tranmere
QPR v Chesterfield
Swindon v Barnsley

SQUAD CHECK

LUTON TOWN

Manager: Joe Kinnear

1	Mark Ovendale	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
2	Aaron Skelton	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
3	Alan Neilson	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
4	Matthew Spring	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
5	Russ Perrett	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
6	Marvin Johnson	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
7	Adrian Forbes	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
8	Kevin Nicholls	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
9	Tony Thorpe	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
10	Carl Griffiths	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
11	Steve Robinson	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
12	Chris Coyne	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
14	Andrew Fotiadis	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
15	Dean Crowe	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
16	Carl Emberson	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
17	Emmerson Boyce	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
18	Ahmed Brkovic	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
19	Steve Howard	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
20	Peter Homes	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
21	Paul Hughes	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
22	David Bayliss	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
23	Ian Hillier	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
31	Alan Kimble	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
32	Lee Mansell	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
36	Rob Gillman	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
38	Michael Leary	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
39	Steven O'Leary	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
40	James Osborn	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
41	Kevin Foley	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

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PETERBOROUGH UTD

Manager: Barry Fry

1	Mark Tyler (GK)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
2	Matthew Gill	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
3	Dennis Pearce	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
4	Marc Joseph	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
5	Simon Rea	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
6	Andy Edwards	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
7	David Farrell	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
8	Richard Forsyth	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
9	Andy Clarke	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
10	Jason Lee	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
11	Adam Newton	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
12	Gary MacDonald	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
13	Dan Connor (GK)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
14	Francis Green	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
15	Steve Laurie	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
16	Jimmy Bullard	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
17	Leon McKenzie	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
18	Lee Clarke	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
19	Gareth Jelliman	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
20	Tony Shields	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
21	Adam Fry	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
22	Neale Fenn	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
23	Helgi Danielsson	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
24	Daniel French	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
25	Dan Murray	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
26	Shane Tolley	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
27	Ryan Semple	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

Today's Officials

Referee: Brian Curson, Leicestershire

Assistants: Russell Evans, Kent (yellow flag); Geoff Russell, Buckinghamshire (red and yellow flag)

Fourth Official: Martin Darlow, Bedfordshire

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