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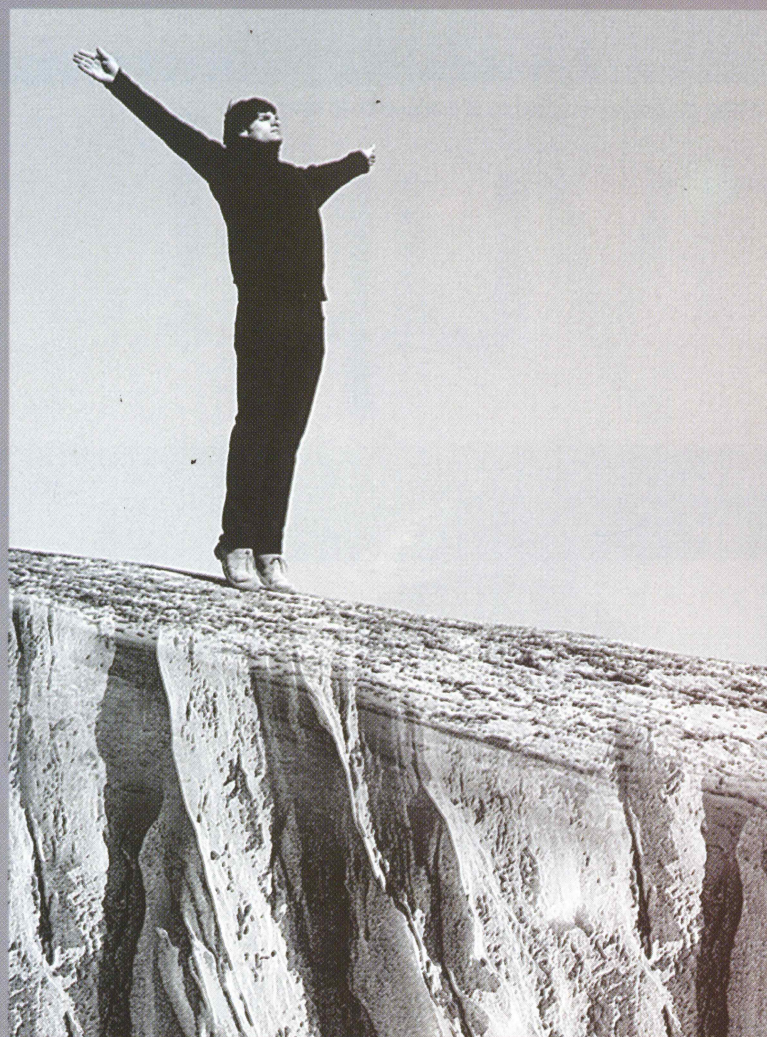


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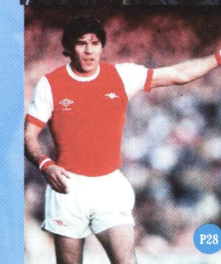
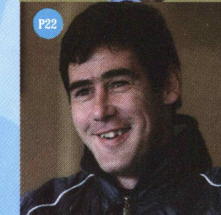
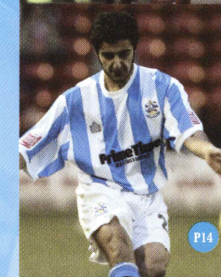
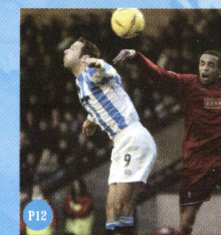
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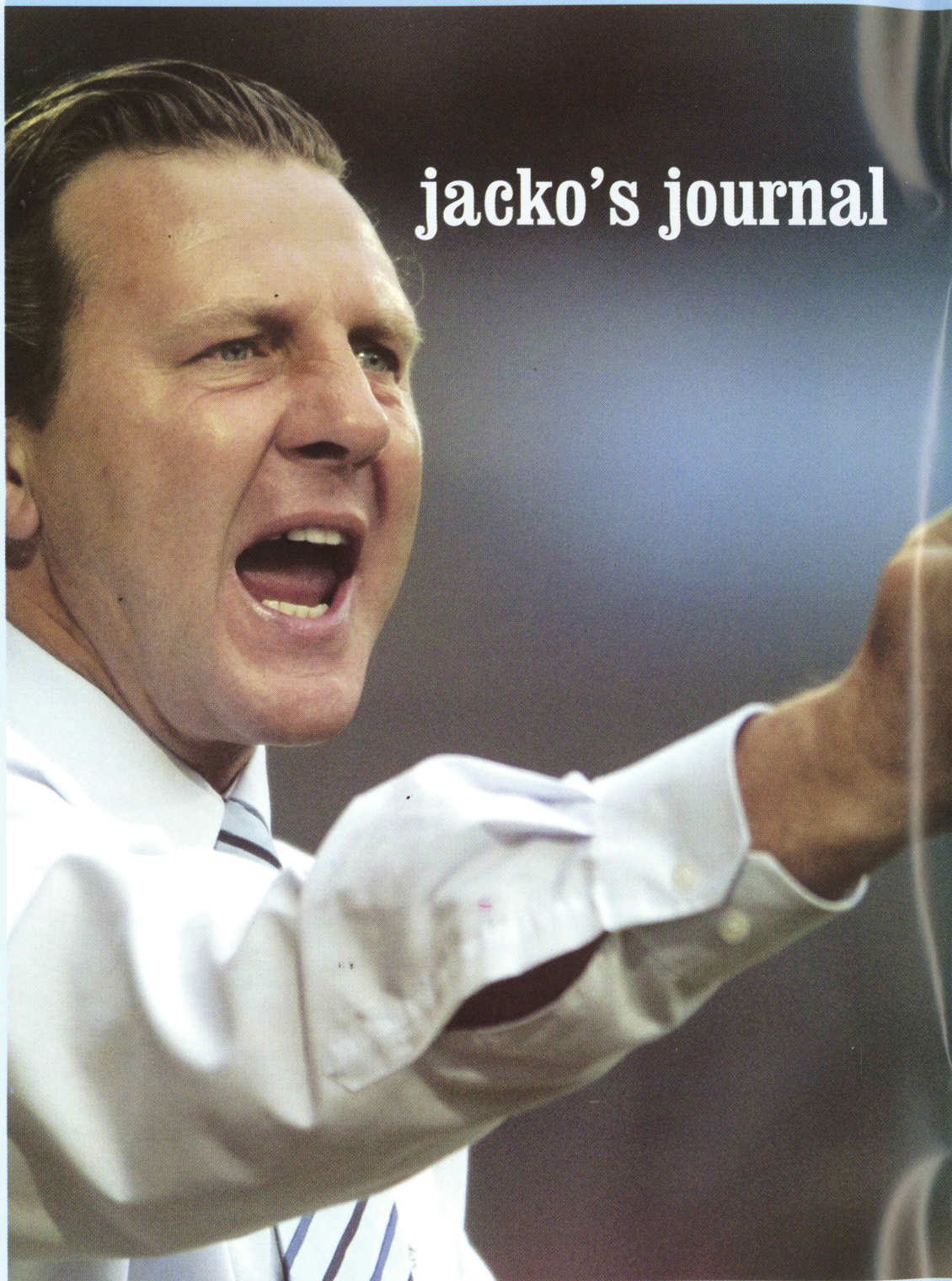


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jacko's journal



Welcome back to the Galpharm Stadium for today's game against Luton Town. A special welcome to everyone from Kenilworth Road, particularly manager Mike Newell who I have played against many times in my career. He has done a fabulous job so far this season establishing Luton as far and away the best team in this Division and we know we are in for a very difficult game today. We have been working hard all week preparing for this game and all the lads are looking forward to the challenge and hopefully another three points on home soil.

I was delighted with our win over AFC Bournemouth in our last game at the Galpharm, particularly our first half performance in which we gave ourselves a two goal cushion after scoring three in opening forty-five minutes. As their League position suggests, Bournemouth are one of the best sides in this Division and we knew we would come under pressure in the second half. We had a little bit of luck in the penalty area in the second half but we got the three points we desperately needed.

That was our first victory since Boxing Day, so it was important that we tried to build on that the following week against Walsall. We knew it would be a tough game because they have an excellent home record and they would be hoping to bounce back from a 5-0 thumping at Colchester during the week. We were leading 3-1 with 30 seconds to go until half-time and they scored a wonder-goal to give us just a one goal cushion. I have no complaints about the first two goals, but the penalty and the way they scored the fourth goal was unacceptable. I know where the problem lies and I have been trying to address it over the

past couple of weeks. It has been incredibly frustrating trying to bring-in the right players. There are players about, but I want the right sort of player. I waited for a long-time trying to bring Luke Beckett in and he's been a great success and the signing or signings I am hopefully bringing in will make a similar impression to Luke. It is important not to panic and rush into anything and negotiations are ongoing.

We have two players away on international duty next week. Lee Fowler will be in the Welsh side to face Germany and John McAliskey will play his first game for the Republic of Ireland in Portugal and I'm sure you will join with me in wishing them all the best.

I am delighted that we have been accepted on the pre-season tour of Ibiza and I hope as many fans as possible will turn up and support the Club. It is a terrific tournament and I have spoken with managers who have been in previous years and they all say that it is an excellent trip and one which is very well organised. It will provide some excellent pre-season training for us and some tough opposition in strong Championship sides Coventry City and QPR and a select XI from Ibiza.

Finally, I'd just like to repeat the message to get behind me and the players. I know the majority of fans are behind me and the team and the support you give us is very much appreciated. Encouraging the players to do well is all that I ask for and it is important that the team and I remain positive.

Keep the faith

Peter Jackson



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captain's comments

Welcome to the Galpharm Stadium for what promises to be a very entertaining game against Luton Town. After last week's defeat at Walsall all the lads have been really looking forward to today's game. Luton are currently the best side in the Division and although we know it will be a very tough test for us, we are all relishing the opportunity to bounce back from last weekend's disappointment against the League leaders. We have worked hard again this week and we know we are in for a tough game because they are a big, strong physical team. We beat them down at Kenilworth Road and, after our victory over Bournemouth in our last home fixture, we are full of confidence.

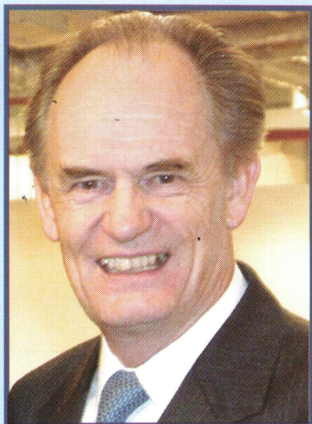
It was an excellent win against Bournemouth and one that was much needed. Three points were vital and it really didn't matter how we got them. We played particularly well first half, possibly one of our best this season and it was that which got us the win. We hung on a bit in the second half, but Bournemouth are a very good team in every department and we knew that we would come under pressure. Every one of them is comfortable on the ball and they have some strong runners, so it was important that we defended well and got the three points which we desperately needed.

At the moment, we look great going forward and with the three lads, Abbott, Boothy and Luke up front we are always going to score goals. Some of our passing and link-up play is great and is

excellent to watch at times. However, question marks have been raised about the defence. The Walsall game last Saturday again raised those questions having lost the game after winning 2-0 and then 3-1. There was very little anyone could have done about their opening three goals. When the ball bounces to the edge of the box and falls at the feet of someone with Merson's quality, he is going to hit the target and that's what he did. But it was their second goal that changed the game. Again, it was just before half time and if we could have held out to the break I am sure we would have come away with a win, but there was nothing any of us could have done about that second goal. Fryatt hit a thirty-five yard volley right into the top corner and there isn't a keeper in the world who would have saved that. I'm pretty sure he will never score a better goal than that in his lifetime. Just after half time was the sucker punch. Walsall were looking for a quick free-kick and Merson took the set-piece while the ball was in motion. I remember going mad at the linesman because that led to their penalty and their third goal. I quizzed the ref about it after the game who said, "things like that happen in football", and I said "it's your job to make sure they don't!" Such decisions have players and fans alike scratching their heads. Let's hope today's game is less frustrating than last weekend's and we can build on our victory against Bournemouth.

Enjoy the game

Rob Edwards



from the chairman ken davy

Welcome back to the Galpharm Stadium for this afternoon's League One clash with Luton Town. A special welcome to all visitors who have made the journey from Kenilworth Road to be here today.

We are all looking forward to a very exciting game against a side which is generally considered to be one of the best in this Division. We scored a magnificent victory at Luton back in October, inflicting their first defeat of the season, and we are all hoping for a similar result and another valuable three points on home soil today. It would be somewhat ironic to do the double over the League leaders when we have been less successful against teams lower down the division (but I guess paradoxical results come with the territory when you are a Town fan!)

I know that Peter Jackson and his staff are working tirelessly to rectify the recent difficulties we have experienced on the field. A mixture of fortunes denied us at least a share of the spoils at the Bescot Stadium last weekend. It was particularly frustrating for players and fans alike to lose a two goal advantage. Loan signing Luke Beckett plays his fourth game for us today and he has already proved a shrewd signing from Sheffield United with four goals in his first three games, including a brace last weekend. While Beckett has been the only player to bolster the squad so far, Peter has been making enquiries with Premiership and Championship clubs and although nothing has come to fruition, the search continues.

Plans are already afoot for the Club's pre-season tour which I am sure most of you will have heard about. The popular island of Ibiza is the destination and we hope you will be able to join us in what promises to be a terrific time of the sun, sea, sand and soccer! In recent years we

have had local derbies against teams like Ossett Town, Guiseley and Farsley and the decision to go a little farther-a-field has been very well received by the many of fans who have already signed up for the trip. On the other side of the Euro, it will form a key part of the team's pre-season planning for the 2005/06 season as we come up against strong opposition in the form of Championship sides Coventry City and Queens Park Rangers and a select XI from Ibiza.

We opened a debate this week on whether we should drop the 'AFC' from the Town crest. More details are in Andrew Watson's notes. Thank you to everyone who put their comments forward. We aim to get supporters involved as often as we can and welcome suggestions on how we can improve this further.

Thank you also to all schools, parents and children who made our second Sporting Pride 75 presentation, sponsored by the Richard Alan Group, such a success. The scheme, although still in its infancy, has so far exceeded our expectations and it is great to see so many youngsters in the centre of town sporting their shirts with pride, be that the blue and white stripes of Huddersfield Town or the claret and gold of the Huddersfield Giants.

It was a great pleasure for me to officially open the Super League X season at the special Giants' launch night last Monday evening and it was gratifying to see so many Town fans sharing the event. The Giants' first game here at the Galpharm is on February 20 when Jon Sharp and his new-look side will be aiming for even greater success than last season and it would mean a great deal to me to see as many of you coming down to share the occasion.

Enjoy the game

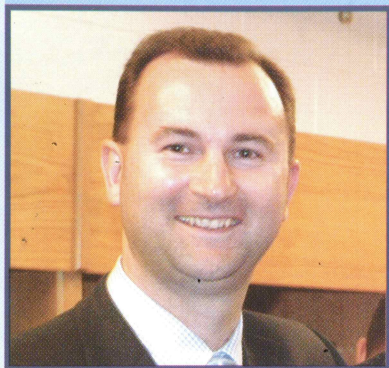


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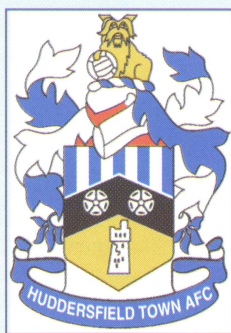
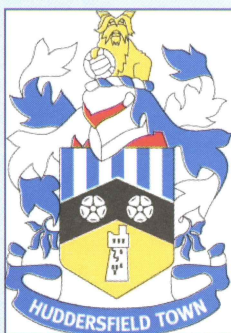
chief executive andrew watson

Welcome to today's game against Luton Town.

Let me start by thanking the numerous Town fans who have written, e-mailed or stated their support of the club in the last two weeks. The last programme stated supporter, player and club annoyance at the recent 'booing' of the players. We deal and speak with hundreds of supporters in the course of our jobs and 100% were in unison on the issue – they were all sick of it. A small number suggested that the club was complaining at all supporters. If anyone thought that, then I apologise, that was certainly not the intention. I have re read in the programme the 4 references to the matter and it is clearly directed at the 'boo boys', and no one else. It needed saying, Town fans made that clear. We have a wonderful bunch of supporters who support the club through thick and thin and I thank you for that. The matter was a tedious one and not one we intend to refer to again.

On a lighter note the Club would like your opinion on something. Ever since I was a young supporter and player here I have always thought that this Club has the best badge in football. However, the full version of the badge has 'A.F.C.' at the end of 'Huddersfield Town'. When we looked at the issue, different manufactures of official merchandise have in the past done different things with the crest. Some have dropped the full stops after AFC, some reducing it to 'FC', others have dropped 'AFC' or 'FC' altogether. The simple solution is to keep the

badge exactly as it is, but drop the 'A.F.C.'. We asked each supporters group, via The Development Association, in November and there was unanimous support. The view was that the Club is known as 'Town' or 'Huddersfield Town' and not 'Huddersfield Town A.F.C.' and more prominence to the words 'Huddersfield Town' can only be a good thing. It retains the badge, makes things better for supporters and makes things in unison as we approach the Centenary and decades beyond. What do you think? Full details can be found on our official website www.htafc.com or you can e-mail your thoughts to info@htafc.com.



Congratulations to Lee Fowler on his International call up.

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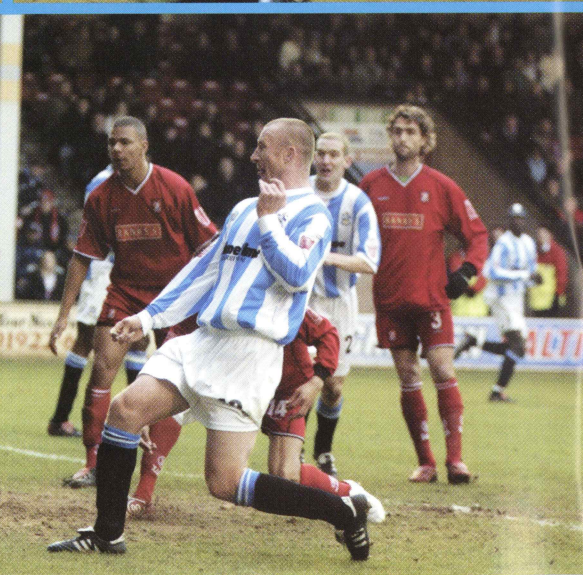
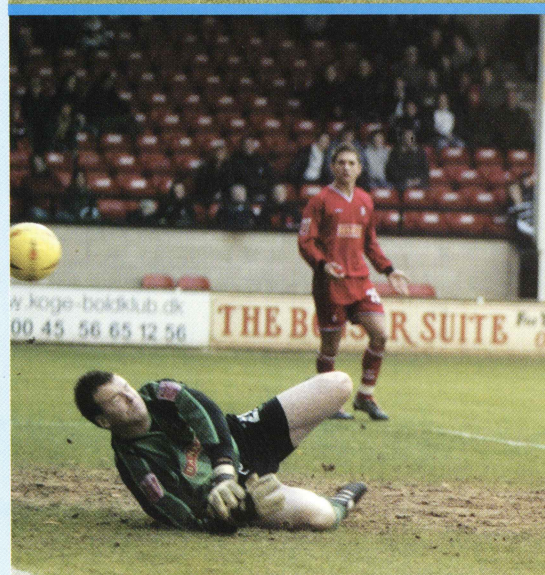
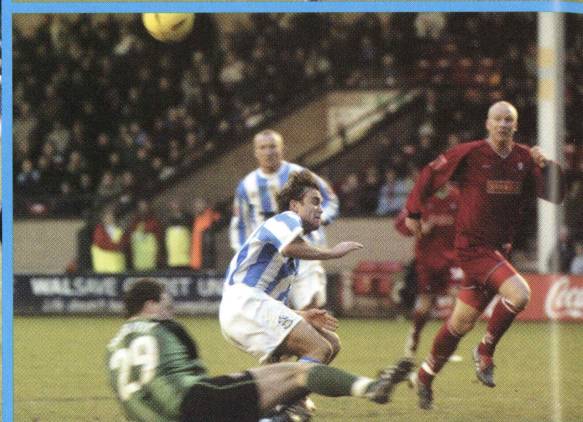
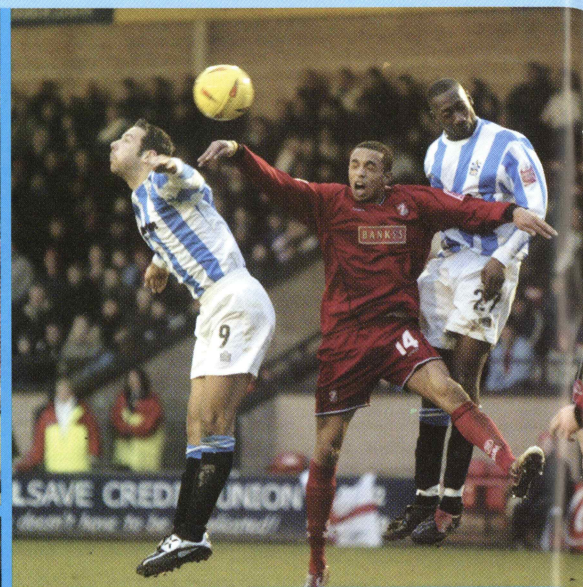
PS. Many congratulations to Tracey from Hollie, Olivia and I on her 40th birthday.



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It was a case of what might have been at the Bescot Stadium last Saturday as Town twice relinquished a two goal lead in this seven goal thriller. The Terriers were magnificent in the first-half and the Saddlers struggled to cope with fit-again Booth's aerial presence and Beckett and Abbott's running, so much so that Town found themselves two goals up after just twelve minutes. Jacko opted for a triple-pronged attack for the second game running after his side's victory the previous weekend over play-off chasing AFC Bournemouth. The only change to the side which beat O'Driscoll's men was the inclusion of Chris Brandon for Tony Carrs who underwent hernia surgery midweek.

After an early scare, the Terriers settled and began to stamp their authority on the game, seemingly taking advantage of a tumultuous week at Walsall in which manager Merson had tendered his resignation. Town found themselves in front within ten minutes after poor defending from the home side saw Bennett lose out Andy Booth who handed Town the lead with a well taken chip from a tight angle. After twelve minutes of play loan sensation Luke Beckett stabbed home Town's second after a Sodje throw from the right was hammered by Booth straight at keeper Murphy who spilt the ball into the path of Beckett.

Troubled boss Paul Merson led by example and pulled one back in emphatic style for the Saddlers. A looping ball bounced on the edge of the Town area where Merson waited and let fly with a sweetly struck volley which bounced in off the inside of Rachubka's left hand post leaving the keeper with no chance.

Town looked to re-establish the two goal lead and Abbott went close with a rasping, tight-angled drive from range and moments later the Pole turned neatly in the area and shot but his effort was easily collected by keeper Murphy.

Town kept the pressure on the home side and earned consecutive corners with ten minutes of the half remaining after Efe Sodje saw his beautifully struck shot from outside the area ricochet behind. Town added a third from the resulting Edwards corner which was particularly well worked and looked like another from Town's expanding set-piece repertoire. The Club captain floated the ball to the back post for Booth to head back across goal where Beckett was waiting to prod the ball home for his second and Town's third.

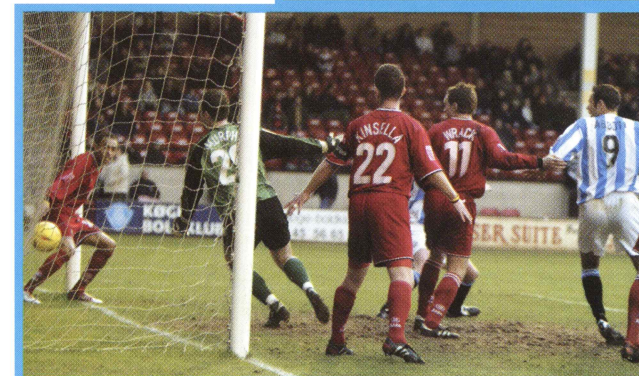
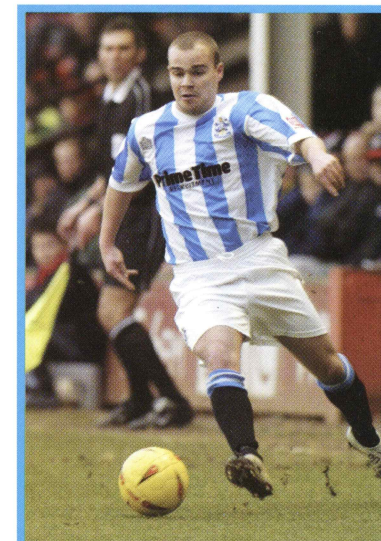
It was going to take something special to break-down Town's defence and, unfortunately, Matty Fryatt added a second for the home side with the last kick of the half - and what a strike it was. He beat Rachubka with a looping left foot thunderbolt from thirty-five yards which gave the keeper no chance at all.

The second half picked up where the first left off and on 50 minutes the home side were back level, albeit in controversial circumstances. Sodje was been adjudged to have handled in the area but the ball arrived at the defender from a Merson free-kick which was heavily disputed by the Town players who protested that it was taken while the ball was in motion. Fryatt bagged his second of the game from the spot.

Beckett, Brandon Booth and Abbott all had chances to put the Terriers back in front but some desperate last ditch defending from the keeper and back four ensured the scores stayed level.

Fryatt got his hat-trick on 74 minutes after a break by Wrack down the left-flank saw the midfielder lay the ball off to Merson who fed Fryatt. The striker picked his spot and spanked the ball past Rabs to give the home side the lead for the first time in the game.

Attendance: 5727





player profile

adnan ahmed

Adnan Ahmed is in-line to make his full debut for the Terriers this afternoon. The 20-year-old Academy product, who arrived at Town as a sixteen-year-old from Manchester United, made his first senior appearance at Rochdale last season. He has waited a long time for the opportunity to make a start in the first team and he admits he is ready to grab it with both hands.

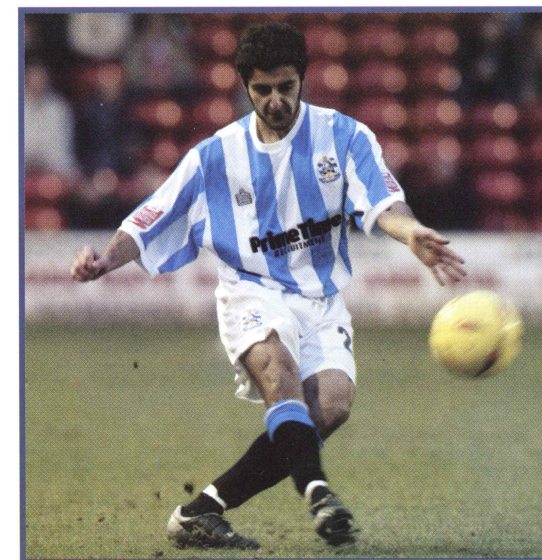
"I'm ready for it and I can't wait. As a young player, all you want to do is make it through to the first team and represent your Club at senior level. I had a chat about it with the Gaffer after the practice match last Tuesday and he hinted that he may start me against Luton. He dictated the shape we would be playing and kept moving me into various positions all of which I enjoyed playing in, so I think I am well prepared," said Ahmed, who made his longest senior appearance in a Town shirt as a second half substitute last week against Walsall.

"Luton are a very good side and I will relish the challenge because I am just delighted to be involved in the first team having spent the last couple of years playing in the reserves. I enjoyed my time on the pitch last week, it was just a shame about the result. It was a difficult time to come on and do something so I just tried to come on and do my best and do the right thing," said Ahmed who strikes a good balance between the combative and the creative midfielder.

"I think I'm a pretty good all-rounder. I like defending and like getting stuck in, but I like going forward and I think I've

got a pretty good eye for goal. I haven't scored yet this season, but I've hit the woodwork a few times, and it would be great to break my duck with a goal against Luton if I get my chance.

"We need a victory against Luton, but we are close to being a very good side. We are taking the lead in games and appear to be cruising, but we just need that killer goal which will ensure the win. All the lads think the same and there is a great spirit running through the team and we all stick together. I grew up with a lot of the lads and sometimes it can feel like you are still playing for the youth team because everyone played in the Academy together. Everyone works really hard to improve their game, but importantly, everyone works hard for each other. They all know that if they don't pull their weight, then they will let the rest of the side down."



League 1 Stats

Where, how & when goals scored



Goals scored in last 15 minutes

FOR	76-90	Total	%	AGAINST	76-90	Total	%
Stockport	10	31	32.3	Sheff Wed	12	34	35.3
Bradford	12	38	31.6	Bradford	12	37	32.4
Chesterfield	10	34	29.4	Barnsley	11	37	29.7
Hartlepool	13	49	26.5	Hull	10	36	27.8
MK Dons	8	32	25.0	MK Dons	13	52	25.0
Bristol City	12	49	24.5	Bournemouth	9	36	25.0
Swindon	11	45	24.4	Tranmere	9	36	25.0
Colchester	9	40	22.5	Blackpool	9	41	22.0
Tranmere	11	49	22.4	Swindon	9	43	20.9
Blackpool	7	34	20.6	Torquay	10	49	20.4

Headed goals Close range goals

Player	Club	Goals	Player	Club	Goals
Howard	Luton	10	McLeod	MK Dons	6
Hayter	Bournemouth	6	Burton	Brentford	5
Parkin	Swindon	6	Chopra	Barnsley	5
Burton	Brentford	4	Folan	Chesterfield	5
Elliott	Hull	4	Hayter	Bournemouth	5
Holt	Wrexham	4	Parkin	Swindon	5
Murphy	Blackpool	4	Henderson	Swindon	4
Paynter	Port Vale	4	Leitao	Walsall	4
Wetherall	Bradford	4	Murphy	Blackpool	4
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Goalkeeping and goalscoring

Best goalkeeping ratio	Worst goalkeeping ratio
Colchester United	Wrexham
Goals Conceded 32	Goals Conceded 54
Opp Shots ON Target 183	Opp Shots ON Target 154
% of Shots Saved 82.5	% of Shots Saved 64.9
Best strike ratio	Worst strike ratio
Hull City	Blackpool
Goals Scored 55	Goals Scored 34
Shots ON Target 158	Shots ON Target 158
% of Shots Scored 34.8	% of Shots Scored 21.5

Margins of victory & defeat

WON by	1 gl	2 gls	3 gls	4+ gls	LOST by	1 gl	2 gls	3 gls	4+ gls
Hull	9	6	2	1	Stockport	8	5	3	2
Luton	10	2	3	2	Port Vale	11	2	2	2
Tranmere	8	6	1	1	Peterborough	12	2	0	1
Hartlepool	9	3	1	2	MK Dons	6	4	4	1
Brentford	11	2	1	0	Blackpool	7	5	0	1
Sheff Wed	5	4	3	2	Torquay	7	2	3	1
Bournemouth	8	2	0	2	Oldham	7	5	0	0
Bradford	9	2	1	0	Swindon	10	1	1	0
Bristol City	4	3	2	2	Walsall	6	5	0	1
Doncaster	5	5	1	0	Wrexham	5	1	2	4
Swindon	7	2	2	0	Colchester	9	2	0	0
Huddersfield	6	2	1	1	Huddersfield	7	4	0	0
Oldham	6	2	2	0	Brentford	3	3	4	0
Port Vale	4	5	1	0	Chesterfield	6	2	2	0
Barnsley	4	4	0	1	Bradford	5	3	0	1
Chesterfield	7	1	0	1	Hartlepool	4	2	3	0
Colchester	3	2	3	1	Bournemouth	5	3	0	0
Walsall	7	1	1	0	Barnsley	7	1	0	0
Wrexham	7	2	0	0	Doncaster	3	2	1	2
Blackpool	4	0	2	1	Bristol City	4	0	3	0
Torquay	3	3	0	0	Hull	3	3	0	1
MK Dons	2	3	1	0	Sheff Wed	3	3	1	0
Peterborough	2	0	2	1	Tranmere	3	1	0	2
Stockport	2	1	0	1	Luton	1	2	1	0

Football League 1 records

Highest Gate	28,701	Sheff Wed v Hull
Lowest Gate	2,384	Torquay v Wrexham
Aggregate Attendance	2,635,781	
Average Attendance	7,707	
Biggest Home Win	Bournemouth 5-0 Doncaster, Bristol City 5-0 Stockport, Colchester 5-0 Walsall, Hartlepool 5-0 MK Dons, Hull 6-1 Tranmere	
Biggest Away Win	Wrexham 1-5 Hartlepool, Doncaster 0-4 Sheff Wed, Blackpool 0-4 Stockport, Wrexham 1-5 Tranmere	
Biggest Aggregate Score	Tranmere 4-5 Bradford	
Total Games	342	
Home Wins	161 (47%)	
Away Wins	93 (27%)	
Draws	88 (26%)	
1-1 Draws	38 (11%)	
0-0 Draws	22 (6%)	
Consecutive Wins	Hull	8
Games Unbeaten	Luton	12
Consecutive Defeats	Stockport	6
Games with no win	MK Dons, Peterborough	10
Cards	Yellow 957	
	Red 57	

Comebacks & throwaways

WON from	-3	-2	-1	Total	LOST from	+3	+2	+1	Total
Walsall	0	1	4	5	Barnsley	0	0	4	4
Hartlepool	0	0	5	5	Hartlepool	0	0	4	4
Hull	0	0	5	5	Oldham	0	0	4	4
Brentford	0	0	4	4	Sheff Wed	0	1	2	3
Port Vale	0	0	4	4	Peterborough	0	0	3	3
DRAWN from	-3	-2	-1	Total	Torquay	0	0	3	3
Bristol City	0	2	3	5	MK Dons	0	0	3	3
Torquay	0	2	3	5	DRAWN from	+3	+2	+1	Total
Chesterfield	0	1	4	5	Barnsley	1	1	6	8
MK Dons	0	1	4	5	Peterborough	0	1	6	7
Swindon	0	0	5	5	Torquay	0	1	4	5
					Sheff Wed	0	0	5	5

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media comment

Andrew Crawshaw

Firstly, let me say what a pleasure it is to be back commentating on matches and, also express my thanks to all the people who have sent messages welcoming us back, your feedback is much appreciated.

As we go into February a clearer picture begins to emerge in the footballing world of who is in a promotion battle and who will be fighting off relegation. Of course, you cannot say that about Huddersfield Town, because, that is what following the Terriers is all about. Many things, but not predictable, and to be frank, that has to be one of the attractions.

However, in all divisions there will be one team who comes from nowhere to secure a play off place and similarly there will be another who fail to pick up a point in March and end up getting relegated. Remember Crystal Palace last year, at Xmas they were fighting to stay in the then division 1, and by the end of May, they were celebrating promotion to the premiership.

However one of the non-events of the year is now over. I refer of course to the transfer window. Didn't some parts of the media make a huge fuss of a lot of players, many of whom I had never heard of, moving from A to B? I was gutted to learn that Javier De Pedro has left Blackburn for Perugia and Ronald Waterreus has fled that confine of Manchester City for the glamour that is Glasgow Rangers.

I really do believe that the Premiership

gets so much coverage in many parts of the media that the rest are just incidental, which, crops up from time to time to fill column inches or join two programmes together. Apparently it is more important that a Premiership player has a cough than a youngster in lower division has scored a hat trick.

However, we who watch football below the Premiership suffer the same highs and lows experienced by followers of the likes of Newcastle, Liverpool and dare I suggest even, Manchester United.

Although all sides should aspire to play at the highest level possible, the chances of the likes of Cambridge United playing in the Premiership are slim. However, I am positive their supporters celebrate any success with equal gusto.

We at Huddersfield Town have suffered more highs and lows than most but hopefully a period of the former is on the cards.

I will enjoy talking about it, you will enjoy watching it, and then, you can enjoy talking about it, to me, who has watched it and talked about it at the same time.

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21st September 2002
Huddersfield 0
Luton 1

With both sides struggling near the foot of the Second Division this match was never going to be a classic, and so it proved. Most pundits plumped for a draw as Mick Wadsworth's Terriers had been beaten 0-3 at QPR in midweek whilst Joe Kinnear's Hatters had lost 2-3 at home to Mansfield Town the same night. With Huddersfield having scored just five goals in ten League games, home fans were however hoping for some success against a Luton side that had conceded 21 goals over the same amount of fixtures. Things did look promising early on when Andy Booth was fouled by Matthew Spring and Kenny Irons rattled the visitors' crossbar with the resulting free-kick. The ball rebounded out to Kevin Gallacher whose returning header was then cleared from the Luton line by Russell Perrett. Around the 25th minute first Gallacher and then Booth headed wide from crosses by Schofield and Irons, whilst in the 30th minute a Gallacher snap-shot cannoned into team-mate Booth. Luton also had their moments with Perrett shooting just too high shortly afterwards. In the 37th minute John Thorrington had to be alert to clear away a strong header from Chris Coyne, whilst just before the break Emmerson Boyce set up Paul Hughes who blasted the ball against the Terriers woodwork.

Chances continued to come after the break with Dean Crowe testing Scott Bevan with an early low shot, but as the second half progressed it appeared that Luton would be quite happy to

leave the McAlpine with a point. They were certainly relieved to see Perrett clear Booth's header to safety on 56 minutes, and, as the game meandered towards a goalless draw, could thank skipper Kevin Nicholls for a particularly vital challenge on 78 minutes. As Jon Stead played a one-two with Danny Schofield the Town midfielder briefly hesitated allowing Nicholls to whip the ball away. Many disappointed home fans were already leaving the stadium long before the 90 minutes were up, and so were spared seeing Luton snatch all the points in added time. Substitute Andrew Fotiadis surged down the left, hustled past Nat Brown, and whacked the ball across the penalty box to Steve Howard who gleefully prodded home what proved to be a late winner. Huddersfield were booed from the field whilst the 700 visiting fans in a crowd of 9,249 celebrated only their second win of the season.

TERRIERS: Scott Bevan, Kevin Sharp, Jon Dyson, Nat Brown, Steve Jenkins, Danny Schofield, Kenny Irons, Chris Holland, John Thorrington (Paul Macari), Andy Booth, Kevin Gallacher (Jon Stead)

HATTERS: Carl Emberson, Sol Davis (Ian Hillier), Chris Coyne, Russell Perrett, Emmerson Boyce, Paul Hughes, Kevin Nicholls, Matthew Spring, Steve Robinson (Peter Holmes), Steve Howard, Dean Crowe (Andrew Fotiadis)

Alan Hodgson

on this day – february 5th

1922 Sir Ernest Shackleton, the British polar explorer, dies at sea while on his way to lead the fourth expedition to the Antarctic. His 1914 expedition to cross the pole collapsed when his ship, Endurance, became trapped in ice.

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Gwen Thomas

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CALVIN ANDREW. Born Luton, 19.12.86. The young striker has made an explosive start to this current season, scoring an incredible eight goals in three games for the Under-18 side, including hat-tricks against Northampton and Rushden. He was rewarded with a first-team squad number and a place in the travelling party for the Hatters' trip to Sheffield Wednesday at the start of September. A tall, powerful and direct front-man, Calvin possesses a lightning turn of speed and the ability to score goals with his head and on the ground.

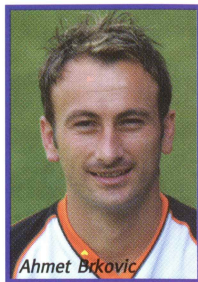
DAVID BAYLISS. Born Liverpool 8.6.76. Has been looking forward to the start of this season more than most of the squad, he missed a large chunk of the 2002/03 season with a shoulder injury but forced his way back into the side at the start of last season, only for a ruptured Achilles tendon sustained at Charlton in the Carling Cup back in September to rule him out for the rest of the campaign. Signed in November 2001, Bayliss soon became a regular in Luton's team which secured promotion from Division Three in 2001/02 but injuries have severely hampered his progress with the Hatters since then. Ironically, it was an injury crisis which led to the defender joining the Hatters. Then manager Joe Kinnear had 24 players unavailable, and discovered to his great delight that Rochdale were prepared to release their longest-serving player. An inch under six foot tall, he had been at Spotland since he was a trainee, and made over 200 first-team appearances for Rochdale before deciding not to accept a new contract with them.

ROBERT BECKWITH. Born London 12.9.84. Along with Curtis Davies and Stephen O'Leary he made the most of the first-team opportunities that came his way and was rewarded with a two-year pro. contract at the end of the 2003/2004 season. Quietly learning his trade in the Luton youth team he found himself thrust into the first-team picture because of the circumstances the club found itself it but was unfazed by starting last season as the first choice goalkeeper at the age of eighteen. He appeared in the opening thirteen matches prior to the arrival of Marlon Beresford, earning admiring glances from both inside and out of the club with his performances however his season came to a premature end when a posterior cruciate ligament injury ruled him out for the rest of the campaign. He did enough during that time to earn himself a contract and a return to full fitness is on the horizon, ahead of schedule, after working hard on his rehabilitation during the summer.

MARLON BERESFORD. Born Lincoln, 02.09.69. Mike Newell strengthened his squad with the signing of 6'1" goalkeeper at the beginning of July 2004 from League One rivals Barnsley. The 34-year-old is a vastly experienced goalkeeper with over 400 appearances under his belt and he returned to Kenilworth Road on a two-year contract after impressing during a successful three month spell with the Hatters last year. The Lincoln-born goalkeeper picked up the Umbro Isotonic Division Two Player of the Month and twice received the Travel Extras Player of the Month during his first spell with Luton. Marlon has appeared for a handful of clubs during his career but the majority of his time has been spent with Sheffield Wednesday, Burnley and Middlesbrough.

DEAN BRILL. Born Luton, 02.12.85. Luton-born goalkeeper Dean Brill is another young player of whom big things are expected. Having enjoyed a taste of first-team football last season he will, along with Robert Beckwith, provide healthy competition for the goalkeepers jersey and keep Marlon Beresford on his toes. A former pupil of Lea Manor High School, Brill joined his hometown club at the age of nine and has progressed through the Centre of Excellence, representing Luton Schools and Bedfordshire County Schools at a variety of age groups. He kept a clean sheet in Under-19 debut as a 15-year-old in April 2001 and his impressive displays alerted the attention of several bigger clubs, but Luton fought off the competition to secure his signature. A tall, commanding goalkeeper standing at six foot three, Brill is a great organiser whose voice will always be heard throughout a game. His handling and concentration are exceptional, and he is very highly regarded by members of the coaching staff at the club.

AHMET BRKOVIC. Born Dubrovnik, Croatia, 23.9.74. The Croatian midfielder is tidy and hardworking member of the squad, who agreed a new one-year contract in the summer to extend his stay at Kenilworth Road into a fourth season. Believing a move would be good for his career, he refused new terms at Leyton Orient in the summer of 2001, to join Luton on a Bosman free transfer - Orient had signed him on a free from HNK Dubrovnik in the autumn of 1999. He was bitterly disappointed when Orient failed in the play-offs to win promotion to the Second Division, and decided he might have a better chance if he joined the Hatters. He was right, playing a valuable role, mainly on the right flank, to help Luton return to the Second Division at the first attempt.



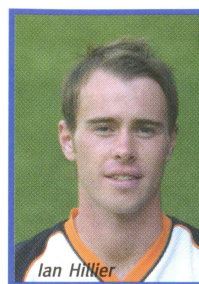
CHRIS COYNE. Born Brisbane, 20.12.78. The centre-half was playing for Perth Soccer Club when he was selected for the Australian Under-17 squad for the 1994 youth World Cup, and came to the notice of Harry Redknapp, then manager of West Ham. Coyne signed for the Hammers as a teenager, but Premiership chances were few and far between, and after loan spells at Brentford and Southend, Coyne went to Dundee. A £50,000 cheque persuaded the Scottish Premier League club to let the defender move to Kenilworth Road in September 2001 and Coyne rapidly became a crowd favourite in the promotion run that followed and since then he has firmly established himself as a formidable rock at the heart of the Hatters defence. It was a big boost to the Club when the solid and dependable defender agreed a two-year contract during the close-season.

SOL DAVIS. Born Cheltenham, 4.9.79. It was a huge disappointment to Swindon Town, and a coup for Luton, when the highly-rated defender decided to leave the County Ground after his contract expired at the end of the 2001/02 season. Swindon boss Andy King failed in attempts to persuade him to sign a new deal, and Luton swooped for the tough-tackling left back. Davis had joined Swindon as a trainee in the summer of 1998, and made rapid progress through the youth and reserve teams to become a regular in the Nationwide League.

CURTIS DAVIES. Born London, 15.03.85. Central defender Curtis was rewarded with a two-year professional contract at the end of last season after impressing during a spell in the side at the tail-end of the campaign. Having been a solid and consistent performer in the club's Under-19s over the past three years, he made the step-up to first-team level and turned in some encouraging displays when called upon. Previously with Wimbledon as a schoolboy, Curtis initially joined Luton as a trialist at the age of sixteen, and he made the best possible impression with two goals in his first three games to earn himself a scholarship at Kenilworth Road. Mobile and strong - in the air and on the ground - he has made a notable improvement during his time at the club.

KEVIN FOLEY. Born London 1.11.84. The emergence of Kevin Foley was one of the success stories of last season for Luton, during the course of the campaign he went from the Hatters youth team to the Republic of Ireland Under-21's. Each time he has comfortably adjusted himself to the level of football and great things are expected of this cultured footballer. He has been brought through the junior ranks at Kenilworth Road and in pre-season game last year he was thrown into the first-team because of injuries to other defenders. He settled in rapidly and was soon competing on merit for a regular place in the side.

IAN HILLIER. Born Neath, 26.12.79. No-one was more surprised than the Welsh Under-21 international himself when he made his league debut for Luton in the second game of the 2001/02 season. The day before he was training with Spurs, where he was captain of the reserves, but a crop of injuries at Kenilworth Road led to



coaching at Sheffield Wednesday. Hillier settled in so quickly that Luton soon decided to buy him for a bargain £30,000 fee and he became a regular squad member. He will be hoping to put an injury ravaged 2003/04 season behind this year after a close season knee operation and establish himself in the Hatters starting line-up.

PETER HOLMES. Born Bishop Auckland, 18.11.80. A two-footed midfielder, he came to Luton as one of new boss Ricky Hill's first signings after impressing Hill while he was coaching at Sheffield Wednesday. Holmes has a good pedigree, he is a product of the FA's School Of Excellence, from the same year as Michael Owen. He found first team opportunities limited when he first arrived due to a midfield that boasted new signings of the calibre of Nicholls, Valois, Forbes, Hughes and Brkovic but former Manager Joe Kinnear turned to him for an important match against Swansea, where he scored the second goal of a 3-1 win which secured promotion to Division Two. After initially being released in the summer of 2003 as a result of the club's financial situation he continued to train with the club and agreed a fresh deal to stay with the Hatters in November 2003, the former Wednesday man netted three times in sixteen appearances before he sustained an injury in the match against QPR which brought a premature end to his season.

STEVE HOWARD. Born Durham, 10.5.76. Rarely can £50,000 have been better spent in football than the fee Luton paid Northampton Town on deadline day in March 2001 to prise the bustling striker away from the Cobblers. He has been the Hatters leading marksman in for the last three seasons and is a huge favourite at Kenilworth Road - he was the fans player of the year in 2002, and the players' player of the year 12 months later. Howard had cost Northampton a then record fee of £120,000 when they recruited him from Hartlepool two years previously. They grudgingly accepted a third of their asking price for a player who would have left for nothing soon afterwards under the Bosman ruling. Howard exploded into action in his first full season with Luton, and his 24 goals made him the Third Division's top league marksman as Luton won promotion. By the end of last season he had moved up to seventh in Luton Town's list of leading post-war goalscorers, averaging a goal every two games for the Hatters and he's carried that form into the new season, picking up the League One Powerade Player of the Month for August, after he netted five times in the opening five matches.

MAX HOWELL. Born Hillingdon, 2.9.85. A solid and reliable defender from Middlesex, Max was handed a first team squad number midway through the 2003/04 season for the trip to Rushden & Diamonds in the LDV Vans Trophy although he didn't make the squad on that occasion. The youngster's impressive form in the Under-19s led to him being offered the third year of his football scholarship at the club. He has been involved with the first team in pre-season, and will be hoping to make the breakthrough this year to earn a professional contract at the end of the season.

PAUL HUGHES. Born Hammersmith 19.4.76. A promising career that began at Chelsea was cruelly interrupted after the gifted midfielder earned the admiration of, among others, Glenn Hoddle, the former England boss. Hughes worked his way up at Stamford Bridge from trainee to Premiership, learning his trade under Hoddle's management, and gained experience on loan to Stockport, Norwich and Crewe. When Hoddle became manager of Southampton he soon recruited Hughes, but a serious groin injury put the midfielder out of football for nine months. Stuart Gray succeeded Hoddle, and transferlisted Hughes, who joined Luton at the start of the 2001/02 season. With Kevin Nicholls ruled out at the start of the season with a knee injury Hughes formed a formidable central midfield partnership with Matt Spring before an injury sustained in training revealed a fractured tibia - which remarkably he had been carrying since April and an enforced spell

on the sidelines followed for the remainder of the season.

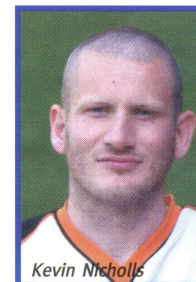
KEITH KEANE. Born Luton, 20.11.86. Having made his debut as a 16-year-old last season he went on to enjoy an extended run in the side from February onwards whilst Kevin Foley was out injured. Such was the contribution he made that the return of Foley didn't signal the end of his involvement at first-team level and he finished the season with fourteen appearances under his belt, all this whilst still in the first year of his scholarship. Another of the youth team who regularly appears for the Republic of Ireland at schoolboy level, he joined the Hatters at the age of nine having been scouted in local football, and has made a rapid progression through the club's centre of excellence and youth teams, demonstrating enough potential to convince Mike Newell to give him his first taste of senior action. Keith has been a key player in Luton's youth squad over the past two seasons and has displayed great versatility by operating in just about every outfield position during that time. He has featured most prominently on the right of midfield, bursting forward to great effect to provide many goals for himself and his teammates.

MICHAEL LEARY. Born Ealing, 17.4.83. The London-born central midfielder signed an extension to his contract in the summer which will tie him to the Hatters until 2006. He has had to wait patiently for his first-team chance but has taken the opportunity with both hands whenever it has presented itself. The scorer of two goals at Hartlepool back in March, in one of only eight first-team starts last year, he will be looking to add to both tally's throughout the course of the new season and provides manager Mike Newell with adequate cover for the central midfield position.

LEE MANSELL. Born Gloucester 23.9.82. The Gloucester-born midfielder arrived on the scene in January 2001 to make a dramatic surprise debut. An injury crisis saw the youth teamer thrown into the team for the F.A. Cup third round replay against Queens Park Rangers and his debut was less than a minute old when he scored the opening goal. Luton had looked after him since he was an eleven-year-old, and signed him as soon as he left school. His dramatic emergence at Loftus Road led to him being rewarded with a full professional contract. The midfielder enjoyed a regular place in the side during the Hatters impressive run last season, where they lost just three times in 22 matches between October and the end of January. He then picked up an injury and when recovered he had to settle for a place on the bench for the rest of the campaign as Kevin Nicholls returned from injury to form an impressive relationship with Keith Keane down Luton's right hand side. Keen for a further taste of first-team football this year he will add to the competition for a run down the right.

ALAN NEILSON. Born Wegburg, Germany, 26.10.72. Experience and versatility has made Neilson a valuable member of Luton's squad, and he has filled any role asked of him with dependable consistency - anywhere in the back four or in midfield. The former Welsh international was signed from Grimsby in 2002 as part of a cost-cutting exercise. His international career began with appearances for Wales at youth and Under-21 level, followed by five full caps, and he enjoyed a good career in the Premiership, with his first club Newcastle and then with Southampton and Fulham.

KEVIN NICHOLLS. Born Newham, 2.1.79. The tough-tackling midfielder began his career as a trainee at Charlton and quickly made an impact after skipping England youth teams at under-18, under-19 and under-20 levels. Surprisingly, Wigan decided to put him on the transfer list in the summer of 2001, for a bargain fee of £150,000, and Luton snapped him up. Charlton had sold him for £250,000 to Wigan in the summer of 1999. The move to Luton suited Nicholls and the Hatters alike. He quickly became team captain, and his huge enthusiasm and ferocious tackling soon made him a big favourite with Hatters fans, although opponents did not always





view his all-action style with similar relish. Just five games into 2003/2004 season he picked up a nagging knee injury which ruled him out for five months but he returned at the end of January, adding strength and experience to the right hand side of midfield.

STEPHEN O'LEARY. Born 12.02.85. A player with a bright future ahead of him, he became the third of the three graduating scholars who signed a two-year professional contract in the summer. The skillful midfielder made the most of his chance in the first-team spotlight in the final few matches of last season to show what he could do. Denied a superb goal - with a clever half-volley - on his full league debut at Wrexham by a coat of paint, he didn't have too wait long to open his professional goalscoring account, netting against Sheffield Wednesday a week later. O'Leary joined Luton as a 13-year-old, when he was spotted playing for Barnet Schools and he was awarded a Scholarship in the summer of 2001 along with Kevin Foley. Luton had fought off competition from top London clubs for his signature and during his time with the Hatters he has also been a regular at schoolboy level for the Republic of Ireland. His game is a mixture of skill and determination, and he is equally at home going forward or in a midfield holding role.

RUSS PERRETT. Born Barton on Sea, 18.5.73. Having signed a one-year contract in the summer he will be looking to make up for lost time this season after a frustrating spell on the sidelines last year. The ex-Portsmouth man was restricted to just six games during the 2003/2004 season but when fully fit the experienced campaigner is an important member of the squad. He helped Cardiff City win promotion to the Second Division in May 2001 but the big central defender was the victim of a huge recruitment drive at Ninian Park and Perrett knew his first-team future at Cardiff might be limited. He accepted an offer to join Luton and won promotion from Division Three with the Hatters twelve months later. His career had begun with non-league Lymington before he went to neighbouring Portsmouth in 1995 and then to Cardiff four years later.

STEVE ROBINSON. Born Lisburn, 10.12.74. Was the first of the out of contract players to agree a new deal with Luton in the summer after enjoying a campaign where he firmly established himself in the Hatters side. A hard working midfielder who topped the Hatters assists chart last season. Looking to add experience to a young midfield department, Luton snapped up a man who had earned respect wherever he played. They paid £50,000 to Preston North End in the summer of 2002 for a player who had been capped five times by Northern Ireland. He had made his name at Bournemouth after joining the Cherries on a free transfer from Spurs, where he had been a trainee. He hit 60 goals in 286 appearance for Bournemouth, an enviable strike rate from midfield, and Preston paid £375,000 for him. But he failed to make the same impact in two years at Deepdale, and jumped at the chance to get his career moving again when Luton came in for him.

DINO SEREMET. Born Ljubljana, Slovenia, 16.8.80. The 6' 4" Slovenian goalkeeper impressed on trial in July 2004 to earn a two-year contract and signed on a Bosman transfer from Maribor Pivovarna Laako. With youngsters Robert Beckwith and Dean Brill recovering from injury he will provide healthy competition for Marlon Beresford for the goalkeeper's jersey.

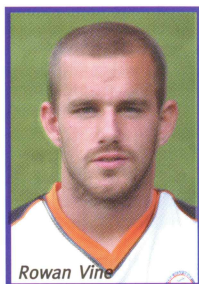
ENOCH SHOWUNMI. Born London, 21.04.82. The big striker will be looking to build on his growing reputation this season and continue the good start he made to his professional career, which resulted in a close season call-up to the Nigerian national squad for the Unity Cup which was staged in England. Enoch soon established himself as popular figure on the terraces and was rewarded with a two-and-a-half-year contract in February 2004 after the Football League gave the club permission to sign him permanently. He had originally joined the Hatters on non-contract terms on the eve of their trip to Notts County in September 2003 after impressing on trial with the club. He had

appeared for Luton during pre-season however the Hatters weren't in a position to sign him at the time because of a transfer embargo which had been imposed on them in the summer. In the autumn they received special dispensation from the Football League following an injury to Kevin Nicholls, which would rule the midfielder out for over four months. The London-born forward joined the club fresh from non-league football with Willesden Constantine - the same side that nurtured the early years of Barry Hayles career - after completing university.

STUART SINCLAIR. Born Bedford, 19.11.87. Sixteen-year-old midfielder Stuart was handed a first-team squad number and a place on the bench for the trip to Swansea City in the LDV Vans Trophy just three months into his two-year scholarship at the club. The call-up came as a reward for some impressive early-season performances in the Under-18's, where he has caught the eye with his range of passing and natural flair. A stylish and technically accomplished footballer, Stuart is happiest in central midfield but can also play on either flank, and anything he lacks in size he certainly makes up for in tenacity.

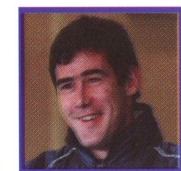
PAUL UNDERWOOD. Born Wimbledon, 16.08.73. Luton Town fought off competition from a number of clubs to complete the free transfer signing of Paul Underwood from Second Division rivals Rushden & Diamonds on transfer deadline day. The Wimbledon-born defender joined Rushden for £50,000 in the summer of 1997 from Enfield and went on to make over two-hundred appearances for the Northamptonshire club. During his time at Nene Park he was a regular in England semi-professional squad as Diamonds progressed up the non-league pyramid and in 2002/03 he led the club to the Third Division Championship and was named as Rushden's Player of the Season. Unfortunately a hamstring injury sustained twenty minutes into his Luton Town debut against QPR ruled him out for the rest of the season and he has made in a Hatters shirt this season now that he has regained his full fitness, forming a formidable partnership with Sol Davis on the left hand side

ROWAN VINE. Born Basingstoke, 21.09.82. The Basingstoke-born striker initially joined Town on a three-month loan deal from Premiership Portsmouth on the eve of the new season but that arrangement was extended in September for the whole season after he had made an impressive start to life as a Hatter. His performances during that month were recognized when he was named as the Powerade League One Player of the Month. The 21-year-old front man has enjoyed successful loan spells at this level before when he appeared for Brentford and Colchester United. In his time with the Bees he scored thirteen goals in 47 appearances as part of a year long loan deal in 2002/03 and last year he spent a similar spell at Layer Road, scoring ten times in 42 games.



Rowan Vine

THE MANAGER Mike Newell. Born Liverpool, 27.1.65



Mike Newell was appointed as the Hatters boss in the summer of 2003, returning to the club he had previously served as a player in the mid-eighties.

Newell has been in football for more than 20 years, beginning as a striker at Crewe before joining Wigan. After three years at Springfield Park he moved to Luton for £80,000 in January 1986. He

was recruited as a replacement for Mick Harford, who was on the injured list. Luton were then in the old First Division, now the Premiership, and Newell flourished at top level, with 19 goals in 68 matches for the Hatters.

Huddersfield v Luton

When Scored	How & Where Goals Scored	When Scored
For Shots 32 Headers 6 Volleys 5 Penalties 3 Free Kicks 1 Own Goals 1 Against	Shots 32 Headers 6 Volleys 5 Penalties 3 Free Kicks 1 Own Goals 1 Shots on Target 171 Goals Scored 48 % of Shots Scored 28.1	For Shots 25 Headers 17 Volleys 4 Penalties 3 Free Kicks 2 Own Goals 1 Against

Discipline	Top Scorers in each Category	Discipline
Red Cards 2 Yellow Cards 43 Fouls Committed 376 Average per Game 12.53 Conceded from Free Kick 3 Fouls Suffered 386 Average per Game 12.87 Scored from Free Kick 3 Caught Offside 124 Average per Game 4.13	Booth 3 Mendes 2 Booth, Beckett 2 Abbott 12 Abbott 2 Abbott 3 Abbott 6 Booth 2 Abbott 14.58	Headed goals Howard 10 Long range shots Nicholls 3 Inside 6 yards Howard 10 Shots from 6-18 yards Brkovic 5 Volleyed shots Brkovic 2 Penalties Nicholls 3 Scored 1st Goal in match Nicholls 4 Most goals in last 10 3 players 2 Points gained from goals Howard 14.35

Last 6 & Swings	Seasonal Progress Comparison	Last 6 & Swings
Opponents H/A Score Walsall A 3-4 Bournemouth H 3-2 Barnsley A 2-4 Torquay H 1-1 Bristol City H 2-2 Hull A 1-2 Won when Behind: 1 Drawn when Behind: 3 Drawn when Ahead: 4 Lost when Ahead: 3		Opponents H/A Score Tranmere H 1-1 Colchester A 0-0 Stockport H 3-0 Peterborough A 2-2 Sheff Wed H 1-1 Colchester H 2-2 Won when Behind: 3 Drawn when Behind: 5 Drawn when Ahead: 3 Lost when Ahead: 0

Luton's Last 10 Years	Top Scorers
Games Played 581 Won 208 Drawn 164 Lost 209 Goals Scored 784 Goals Conceded 769 Points Total 788 Biggest Win 6-0 Crewe 96/97 Heaviest Defeat 0-5 Bristol City 96/97 0-5 Stoke 95/96 0-5 Grimsby 94/95 n.b. stats from 92-93 to present	Steve Howard 78 Tony Thorpe 70 Phil Gray 40 Dwight Marshall 28 Matthew Spring 26 Scott Oakes 25 Liam George 21 Kevin Nicholls 19 Steve Davis 19 David Oldfield 18 n.b. scorers from 92-93 to present

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REFEREES' MATCH FEES ABOUT RIGHT

Having discussed football with one or two referees recently (not to mention their Assessors!) their common denominator has been a love for the beautiful game. Even blowing the whistle at my own lowly level I like the buzz and then the satisfaction if I've done a good job – which is not always the case!

The Football League match fee for a League 1 referee is £235. Assistant referees get £120 each and the fourth official £50 unless he is a ref himself in which case he also gets his £120.

Expenses are on a par with any well run industry set up and take into account a staggered mileage allowance, rail travel and overnight accommodation where applicable.

How well the referee performs must influence his degree of satisfaction. And the very nature of some matches makes them harder to cope with than others. Jacko is one of the managers quoted this season giving deserved praise to a ref for the way he handled a match. This approbation must be good for the man-in-the-middle and spur him on to realise his capabilities and fuel his ambition. We are getting one or two newer referees at the younger end of the list and I expect them all to aim for the Premiership.

PREMIERSHIP REFS ARE IN A DIFFERENT LEAGUE!

You don't have to look up the pay for Premiership referees to know they are literally in a league of their own. Sheffield-based and affable Premiership ref Uriah Rennie spoke at a sports evening some months ago and said he'd answer questions on any topics except about his earnings! In terms of finance where Premiership clubs are concerned I think they do well to get refs who are willing to take responsibility with so much resting on matches and then take the stick for some of their decisions.

And to do the job when a few million are watching round the world and tv replays show them to be wrong, means they deserve all they can squeeze out of the Premiership clubs' set-up.

At least the experienced and fit refs needn't retire from 'the middle' at the age of 48 after this season like they had to until a European court gave them freedom to continue providing they remain

physically up to the job.

I look forward to writing about the first "Millionaire Referee" who will have stacked up his giant Premiership fees until bowing out aged 65 – just like the rest of us!



POSITIVE START TO LOCAL PHONE-IN

The local after-match radio Phone-In on Home 107.9 is a welcome addition to Town discussion forums.

After Jacko's men gained the deserved 3 – 2 win over Bournemouth in our last home game I tuned in to Home 107.9 and their first Phone-In this year. It was conducted very well by Andrew Crawshaw after he had spent the afternoon commentating on the game for Huddersfield's local radio station.

It was good to hear some praise for the Gaffer and his players. And when callers suggested an improvement to the team or style of play or formation even, Andrew Crawshaw pressed them to state their own solutions. And some were constructive and therefore contributed well; others were caught out.

Moving on a week to the Walsall game the Phone-In was even better with a splendid mix of views which reflected the cross-spectrum of supporter-opinion and provoked some excellent and unexpected discussion by callers. And I took on board the real support Jacko was getting.

Town fan Andrew Crawshaw will doubtless continue to marshal his callers in the friendly and constructive manner which stamped his first two Phone-Ins. So I can see Home 107.9 making the hour after the match a further positive contribution to Town affairs.

HOME 107.9 TO THE RESCUE!

I had to laugh! Studying my guide to the Bescot Stadium for last week's trip (although it was Bernard's turn to drive!) I noted that the cartoon which accompanied the directions in my old copy of "Football Fans Guide" showed a triumphant car

driver arriving to applause. The caption explained: "The man who exited the M6 in time for the game."

One of the callers to Home's Phone-In finished by asking how to get to the M6 from the Bescot. He and his mates had taken the wrong turning outside the ground and ended up back where they'd started from. 'Never mind', was the Home presenter's comforting view, 'hang on for quarter of an hour and you can follow us!'

As the invitation to the caller to follow him was renewed at the end of the programme I wonder if he did!

HOW WRONG WILL MY BOOKIE BE?

Before the season kicked off I noted that my Bookie was forecasting – rather bravely I thought – how he thought League 1 would look like after the last ball of 2004 – 05 had been kicked.

So far, if its anything to go by, he's not all that far out with some teams. They say 'the bookie's always right' – but not completely!

This is his list from last August with current placings after each team –

Bookie's forecast made last August	Current position after last Saturday
1 BRISTOL CITY	7
2 HULL CITY	2
3 TRANMERE	3
4 HARTLEPOOL	5
5 WALSALL	15
6 DONCASTER	8
7 SWINDON	11
8 BOURNEMOUTH	9
9 LUTON	1
10 BRENTFORD	6
11 COLCHESTER	17
12 SHEFFIELD WEDNESDAY	4
13 OLDHAM	16
14 BARNSELEY	12
15 BLACKPOOL	19
16 PORT VALE	18
17 TOWN	14
18 STOCKPORT	24
19 PETERBOROUGH	23
20 TORQUAY	20
21 CHESTERFIELD	13
22 MK DONS	22
23 WREHAM	21
24 BRADFORD	10

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Lee Martin
Physiotherapist

Tony Carss: Tony had hernia repair to his right abdominal side last Wednesday when everything went well and there were no complications. The first week was spent generally resting, recovering from surgery. The staple sutures (18) were removed this Thursday and rehabilitation began. Rehab entails core-stability static bike, strength work around the hip and abdominal area and pool.



Andy Holdsworth: Andy had his bilateral hernia repaired last Wednesday where, again, everything went well, although Andy had to receive large amounts of morphine to ease the pain. It has to be said though, that most players undergoing this surgery usually get by on paracetamol. Andy's rehab is following Tony's.

Anthony Lloyd: Anthony slightly strained his left calf after the game last Saturday when running. This week has been mainly spent treating the injury and building up his rehab programme. He will hopefully begin running on Monday with a view to a return early next week.

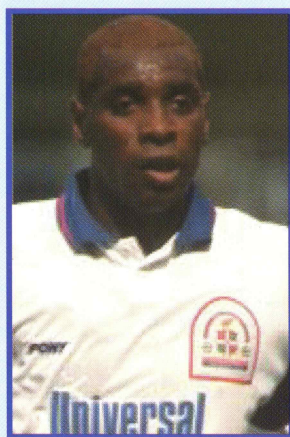


luton town's greatest

Football historian LEIGH EDWARDS selects a post-war **Luton Town** 'Dream Team' with the help of several **Luton** supporters and club officials.

RON BAYNHAM: England international goalkeeper who was a key figure as Luton Town were FA Cup finalists in 1959. He impressed with Worcester City before moving to Kenilworth Road in November 1951 and contested a first-team slot with fellow England keeper Bernard Streten as Luton gained top-flight status for the first time in 1954-55. Missing just one match in both 1955-56 and 1957-58, he was capped three times and also represented the Football League. He made 388 League appearances for the Hatters until injury ended his career in May 1965 and subsequently worked as an interior decorator in Bedfordshire.

KIRK STEPHENS: Attacking right-back who was ever-present in Luton Town's 1981-82 Second Division title triumph. Initially with Nuneaton Borough, he helped them finish Southern League runners-up in 1974-75 and followed David Pleat to Kenilworth Road in June 1978. He was voted Luton's 'Player of the Year' in 1978-79 and 1983-84, scoring twice in 227 League games for the Hatters before moving to Coventry City in exchange for Ashley Grimes in August 1984. Later rejoining Nuneaton as player-manager after a knee injury ended his top-flight career, he also had a spell at Barnet and worked for his father's building firm.



MITCHELL THOMAS: Versatile England U-21 international left-back who had two spells at Luton Town. Born locally, he signed professional at Kenilworth

Road in August 1982 and starred as Luton reached the FA Cup semi-finals in 1984-85. He followed David Pleat to Tottenham Hotspur for £275,000 in July 1986 and featured in the 1987 FA Cup final, moving to West Ham for £525,000 in August 1991. Returning to Luton in November 1993, he netted six goals in 292 League games overall for the Hatters prior to joining Burnley in July 1999 and was an experienced figure in their 1999-2000 promotion success.

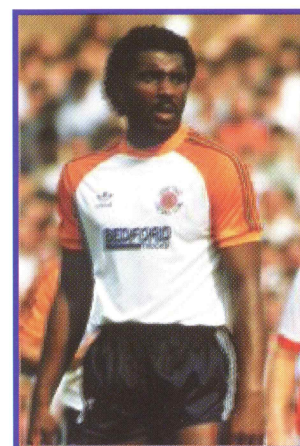
BRUCE RIOCH: Influential midfielder who was capped 24 times by Scotland after leaving Luton Town. Signing professional for Luton in September 1964, he starred in the 1967-68 Fourth Division title triumph and netted 46 goals in 149 League games prior to joining Aston Villa for £100,000 in July 1969. He was a key figure in their 1971-72 Third Division title success and moved to Derby County in February 1974, helping to win the League Championship in 1974-75. He played for Everton, Derby again and Torquay, since managing Middlesbrough, Millwall, Bolton Wanderers, Arsenal, Norwich City and Wigan Athletic.

SYD OWEN: Long-serving England international centre-half who skipped Luton Town in the 1959 FA Cup final. Signing professional for Birmingham City in October 1945, he moved to Luton in June 1947 and starred in their 1951-52 FA Cup run, 1952-53 promotion near-miss and 1954-55 promotion success. He was 'Footballer of the Year' in 1958-59 and netted three goals in 388 League games before becoming Luton's manager for a year in May 1959. Subsequently Leeds United's chief coach under Don Revie until October 1975, he then coached at Birmingham, Hull City and Manchester United. He died in August 1998.

MAL DONAGHY: Northern Ireland international central defender who gained a

club record 58 caps while at Luton Town. He moved to Kenilworth Road from Larne in June 1978 and was ever-present as Luton won the Second Division title in 1981-82 and were FA Cup semi-finalists in 1984-85. Voted 'Player of the Year' in 1985-86, he was an FA Cup semi-finalist again in 1987-88 and starred in that season's Littlewoods Cup final triumph. He netted 16 goals in 410 League games for the Hatters prior to joining Manchester United for £650,000 in October 1988, then returned on loan before moving to Chelsea in August 1992.

RICKY HILL: England international midfielder who was 'Player of the Year' when Luton Town won the Second Division title in 1981-82. Signing professional at Kenilworth Road in May 1976, he was 'Player of the Year'



again in 1982-83 and starred as Luton were FA Cup semi-finalists in 1984-85. He featured in two consecutive Littlewoods Cup finals including the 1988 Wembley triumph and netted 54 goals in 436 League games before moving to Le Havre in July 1989. Reuniting with David Pleat at Leicester City in August 1990 and later as a coach at

Sheffield Wednesday and Spurs, he briefly rejoined Luton as manager.

BRIAN STEIN: England international striker who scored twice in Luton Town's 1988 Littlewoods Cup final triumph. Moving to Kenilworth Road from Edgware Town in October 1977, he was leading marksman in Luton's 1981-82 Second Division success and also starred as they were FA Cup semi-finalists in 1984-85 and 1987-88. He joined Caen in July 1988 and moved via Annecy back to Luton in July 1991. Voted 'Player of the Year' for the second time in 1991-92, he netted 130 goals in 427 League games overall for the Hatters before joining Barnet in August 1992. His younger brother Mark also played for Luton.

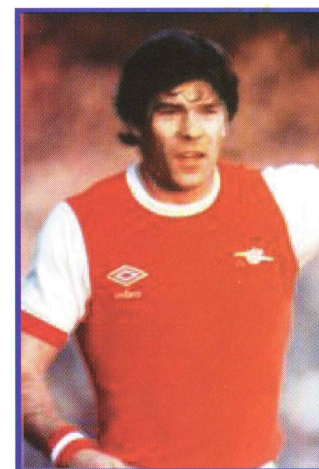
MICK HARFORD: England international striker

who played for Luton Town in consecutive Littlewoods Cup finals including the 1988 Wembley triumph. Signing professional for Lincoln City in July 1977, he had spells with Newcastle United, Bristol City and Birmingham City prior to joining Luton in December 1984. He starred as the Hatters were FA Cup semi-finalists in 1984-85 and 1987-88, moving to Derby County in January 1990 and returning to Luton in September 1991. Joining Chelsea in August 1992, he then played for Sunderland, Coventry and Wimbledon before coaching at Luton and Nottingham Forest.

MALCOLM MACDONALD: Ace marksman who

was capped 14 times by England after leaving Luton Town. Initially with Tonbridge, he moved to Fulham in August 1968 and moved to Kenilworth Road in July 1969. He was Luton's top scorer in two consecutive seasons including the 1969-70 promotion success and netted 49 goals in 88 League games before being sold to Newcastle United for £180,000 in May 1971. An FA Cup finalist in 1974, he joined Arsenal for £333,000 in August 1976 and was an FA Cup finalist again in 1978 before injury ended his career. He subsequently managed Fulham and Huddersfield Town.

PAUL WALSH: England international striker who was capped five times while at Luton Town. Signing professional for Charlton Athletic in October 1979, he starred in their 1980-81 promotion success and moved to Luton in July 1982. He was 'Player of the Year' in 1982-83 and leading marksman in 1983-84, netting 24 goals in 80 First Division games for the Hatters prior to joining Liverpool in May 1984. Helping to win the League Championship in 1985-86, he joined Tottenham Hotspur in February 1988 and was an FA Cup winner in 1991. He later played for Portsmouth and Manchester City until injury ended his career.



Rob Edwards

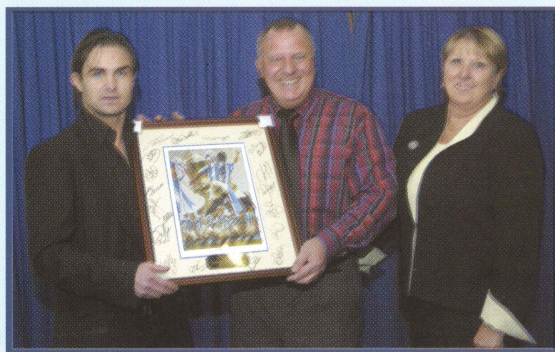


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Dave Henry from Castle Shopfitters and his guests were the Match Ball Sponsors, and are pictured in the centre circle presenting the match ball to referee Darren Drysdale.



Our Man of the Match Sponsor was Dual Seal Glass. Chris Brandon is pictured presenting a match day memento to their guests.



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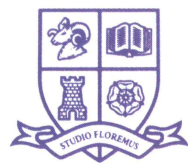
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Sporting Pride 7s Presentation



The Bournemouth match last Saturday marked the second presentation for The Sporting Pride 7s Scheme sponsored by Richard Alan. Over 40 children who have recently celebrated their 7th birthday were presented with a Huddersfield Giants and Huddersfield Town replica shirt by Jason Southwell and Balou Fagbourn from the Giants and Anthony Lloyd and Akpo Sodje from Town.



A joint venture between Huddersfield Town FC and Huddersfield Giants under the Sporting Pride banner, the 7s scheme has gone from strength to strength with over 60 schools and 400 children now registered. The next presentation takes place at the first Huddersfield Giants match of the season versus Hull FC on Sunday 20 February 2005 kick off 3.00pm.

Thanks to the support of Dewsbury based firm Richard Alan, Town and the Giants have been able to develop a scheme to get children involved in sport and dedicated to their local professional teams. Each child who registers receives a Huddersfield Town and Huddersfield Giants replica shirt on their 7th birthday. The success of the scheme depends largely on the active participation of schools which is vital for widespread coverage and age verification.

For further information please contact Rachel Taylor at Huddersfield Town FC on 01484 484100.

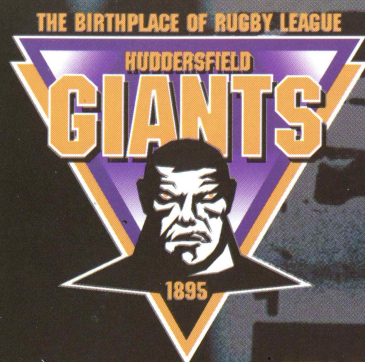
HUDDERSFIELD TOWN SPORTING CLUB

The Huddersfield Town Sporting Club today donates £8,000 to the Huddersfield Town Development Association, who in turn have undertaken the challenging, and enormously important task of independently funding the Clubs Youth Football Academy.

The Sporting Club, which holds monthly meetings during the football season, raised this money at two particular events, which were held last year. In September, the Club had its second Sunday Luncheon, when the guest speakers were the BBC presenter, Christa Ackroyd, and the Comedian, Mike Craig. In November, Alan Ball, Geoff Miller, and David Kendall were the speakers at the Sporting Clubs Annual Dinner.

Both of these events were well supported, but more people could have been accommodated, which is a great shame, as both events were hugely entertaining. Don't miss out on the next opportunity!

Paul Markham, Chairman, Huddersfield Town Sporting Club.



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Milton Keynes Dons -v- Huddersfield Town

Saturday 12th February 2005 – 3.00 KO

Tickets are now on sale for uncovered seating and are priced at £15 adults, £10 over 60's and full time students & £8 juniors. Supporters are recommended to purchase tickets in advance to ease access on matchday. Wheelchair and helper tickets £10 per pair available by contacting Gayle or Matt on 01908 209455.

COACH TRAVEL: Terrier Travel with Stotts Coaches Member £14.00. Non-members £16.00. Departing Panasonic Stand 10.00 am.

ROAD TRAVEL: The ground is within easy reach of the M1. From junction 14 of the M1 follow the A509, turning right at the first roundabout (Northfield). Follow the A509 over 8 roundabouts, turning left at the ninth (North Grafton). You will see the stadium directly in front of you.

**Huddersfield Town -v- Blackpool and
Huddersfield Town -v- Oldham**

Saturday 19th February 2005 – 3.00 KO

Saturday 26th February 2005 – 3.00 KO

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Huddersfield Giants -v- Hull FC

Sunday 20th February 2005 – 3.00 KO

The Giants play their first home fixture of the new campaign. Have you used the Friend for a Fiver voucher in your season ticket? Tickets available from the Town ticket office now with free tickets for under 12's.

Tranmere Rovers -v- Huddersfield Town

Tuesday 22nd February 2005 – 7.45 KO

Pay on the day. Adults £16, Young Persons 17-22 £12, Senior Citizens £8 (60+) Juniors £4 (16 and under) PLEASE NOTE YOUNG PERSONS AND SENIOR CITIZENS MUST OBTAIN THEIR TICKETS FROM THE TRANMERE TICKET OFFICE ON THE DAY WITH PROOF OF AGE. ADULTS AND JUNIORS PAY ON THE TURNSTILES.

COACH TRAVEL: Terrier Travel with Scotts Coaches Member £ 8.00 Non Member £10.00 departing Panasonic Stand at 4.30 pm

Bradford City -v- Huddersfield Town

Saturday 5th March 3.00 KO

All ticket for Town supporters tickets **will not be available on matchday**. Total allocation of 4143 seats.

Tickets go on sale to season ticket holders, Blue & White Foundation members and Patrons at 9.30 am on Monday 7th February, any remaining tickets will go on general sale on Monday 21st February.

Initial allocation in Yorkshire First (East) Stand down the side of the pitch priced at £18 adults, £12 over 60's and £10 under 16's. Wheelchair and helper seats available priced at £18 adult, £12 over 60 and £10 under 16's with helper seat free.

Secondary allocation behind the goal – same price.

COACH TRAVEL: Terrier Travel with Stotts Coaches Members £6.00 and Non-members £8.00 departing Panasonic Stand at 1.15 pm



John Dungworth

reserves

Huddersfield Town 2
Boston United 1

Town Reserves went behind against the run of play to be trailing Boston United Reserves at half-time in their Pontins' Holiday's League 1 East match at the Galpharm Stadium today (Wednesday).

Town quickly resumed attacking mode in the second half and John McAliskey pounced on skipper Andrew Lloyd's shot which hit the post and came out for him to score the equaliser in the 51st minute.

Always the superior side with their confident passing game and regular shots on target Town's McAliskey almost scored again when he hit the post with the goalie beaten on the 67th minute.

Adnan Ahmed deserved more from two distance shot - one with each foot - but the goalie saved the first and second scraped over the bar. And Republic of Ireland Under 19 skipper Michael Collins, whose game was stamped with cool tackling and pin-point passing, also had a rasping shot saved.

The inevitable second goal came after Junior Mendes had been brought back into the game on the right and his second shot in successive attacking moves, this time from close quarters, found the net on the 81st minute.

fixture list 2004/05 season

Wed Aug 18	York City	H	4 - 1
Wed Sep 1	Doncaster Rovers	A	1 - 2
Wed Sep 8	Scunthorpe Utd	H	1 - 2
Wed Sep 15	Grimsby Town	A	1 - 2
Mon Sep 20	Sheffield Wed (Cup)	A	0 - 2
Wed Oct 13	Darlington	H	2 - 0
Wed Oct 27	Boston United	A	1 - 0
Wed Nov 10	Notts County	A	5 - 0
Mon Nov 15	York City	A	1 - 2
Wed Nov 24	Lincoln City	H	4 - 0
Mon Dec 13	Halifax Town	A	2 - 1
Wed Jan 12	Grimsby Town	H	2 - 1
Wed Jan 19	Rochdale (Cup)	A	0 - 1
Wed Jan 26	Boston United	H	2 - 1
Wed Feb 9	Halifax Town	H	2.00pm
Wed Feb 16	Darlington	A	2.00pm
Wed Mar 2	Notts County	H	2.00pm
Wed Mar 9	Lincoln City	A	2.00pm
Wed Apr 13	Doncaster Rovers	H	2.00pm
Wed Apr 27	Scunthorpe Utd	A	2.00pm

Boston had only one shot on target in the entire match. That was David Staff's goal. His unstoppable free kick from just outside the box in the 25th minute just beat Senior's reach.

Schofield will rarely again have so many shots at goal and not find the net and the "on target" shooting of the Town team was worth more than just their two goals.

With a strong, forceful midfield and sharp shooting from all departments it was a sound performance which took the Reserves to their fourth, and richly-deserved, League win in succession.

Town - Phil Senior, Aaron Hardy, Anthony Lloyd (capt), Adnan Ahmed, John McCombe, Tom Clarke, Junior Mendes, Michael Collins, John McAliskey, Akpo Sodje, Danny Schofield.

Subs (not used) - David Walls, Jacob Giles, Luke Caulfield, Chris Evans, James Hand.

academy

LEEDS UNITED 1 TOWN 0

Town's Under 18s were denied at least a share of the spoils when Leeds converted a penalty in the 75th minute. The visitors had the better of the earlier exchanges and Tom Clarke had two shots in quick succession when a defender blocked the first on the line and the home goalie was fortunate to get his feet to the second.

Town had more possession and despite the atrocious weather conditions made some determined raids which almost brought goals.

And after going behind Aaron Hardy's Town side made some determined attacks only to see Leeds players scramble the ball away and Michael Collins hit the crossbar at the death.

Gerry Murphy, Town's Academy Manager, said afterwards: "It was another good display by our lads who could have won."

Town - Jacob Giles, David Walls, Chris Evans, Michael Collins, Tom Clarke, Aaron Hardy (capt), Daniel Highley, Matthew Young, Matthew Biddle, Joe Shaw, and James Hand.

Subs - Ashley Beck, Daniel Racchi and Adam Wilson.

ACADEMY 'FITNESS LINK' WITH HUDDERSFIELD UNIVERSITY

Former Town physio Alex Moreno, now a lecturer in the Sports Therapy department at Huddersfield University, is resuming his links with the club by running the new fitness testing arrangements jointly organised by the Academy in liaison with the University. Using specialist equipment at his disposal Alex will be able to report on the fitness progress of the Academy players each time he does a check. He carries out a similar programme for the Giants.

Gerry Murphy
Academy Manager

Under 18 Fixtures

Date	Opposition	Venue	KO
Fri 20 Aug	Watford	Away	0 - 0
Fri 27 Aug	Norwich City	Home	2 - 0
	Emley AFC		
Sat 04 Sep	Everton	Away	1 - 4
Sat 11 Sep	Crewe Alex	Away	0 - 1
Sat 18 Sep	Blackburn Rovers	Away	0 - 4
Sat 02 Oct	Sheffield Utd	Home	2 - 1
Sat 09 Oct	Newcastle Utd	Home	0 - 0
Sat 16 Oct	Barnsley	Home	0 - 3
Sat 23 Oct	Derby County	Away	1 - 1
Sat 30 Oct	Leeds Utd	Home	2 - 3
Sat 06 Nov	Middlesborough	Away	2 - 2
Sat 13 Nov	Sunderland	Home	2 - 3
Sat 20 Nov	Sheffield Wed	Away	4 - 2
Sat 27 Nov	No games (ST)		
Sat 04 Dec	Nottingham Forest	Home	1 - 1
Sat 11 Dec	Derby County	Home	2 - 1
Sat 18 Dec	No games		
Sat 25 Dec	No games		
Sat 01 Jan	No games		
Sat 08 Jan	Leeds United	Away	0 - 1
Sat 15 Jan	Middlesborough	Home	2 - 0
Sat 22 Jan	Sunderland	Away	12.00
Sat 29 Jan	No games		
Sat 05 Feb	Sheffield Wed	Home	11.00
Sat 12 Feb	Nottingham Forest	Away	11.30
Sat 19 Feb	Sheffield Utd	Away	11.00
Sat 26 Feb	Derby County	Home	11.30
Sat 05 Mar	Newcastle Utd	Away	12.00
Sat 12 Mar	Barnsley	Away	11.00
Sat 19 Mar	Open date		
Sat 26 Mar	No games		
Sat 02 Apr	Stoke City	Home	11.00
Sat 09 Apr	Wolverhampton W	Away	12.00
Sat 16 Apr	Bolton Wanderers	Away	11.00
Sat 23 Apr	Manchester United	Home	11.00

Home is Storthes Hall unless stated otherwise

Pictured at the first Academy-University Fitness Testing session are the Academy players with (on the left end) John Dungworth (coach) with Alex and at the extreme right are Academy Manager Gerry Murphy with Alex's assistant Michael Fish.

patrons news

Luton Town have had an incredible few years. Recent times have often seemed like a music hall joke to match any of those by famous fan Eric Morecambe. They have turned things round to a point where they are looking favourites for promotion to the Championship, a fantastic performance. The Club seems to have been in the news for a number of "wrong" reasons over the years. Plastic pitch, Millwall riot, away fans ban, even, if I remember correctly, a proposed road through the ground! That was before all the more recent ownership/management shenanigans. Earlier this season the form book went out of the window when Town took three points home from Kenilworth Road. Not many Town fans' favourite venue! The last two weeks have seen us score six goals with new boy "Cool Foot Luke" Beckett getting 4 of them! Let's hope we can continue in the same vein at that end and cut down at the other end where 6 conceded have meant we only have three not six points to show. I'm not sure my heart can stand it! Whatever Luton's support today, it's up to Town fans to "pump up the volume" so let's bang the drum, and shout and scream as we create the atmosphere and give the lads a lift! Come on you blues!

Meetings:

FEBRUARY The famous Patrons Quiz!

It's over for another year and I'll let you know who triumphed in the Blackpool programme.

MARCH 3rd – The Media Spotlighted. Panasonic Suite, Galpharm Stadium, 7.30 for 8.00

We are delighted to have members of the local football media as our guests for this meeting. *This will include Radio, Print and maybe TV.*

ALWAYS entertaining and informative, these visitors are NEVER short of words or an opinion! Come and question them for a change! Have a few drinks, meet up with your mates and have a fun night with fellow Town fans. No age limits or minimum dress requirements! Just get down here and see what we are up to.

Remember it's not just entertainment, it's an education!

MATCH TICKETS: A reminder that Patrons are on the list of those with priority for away tickets so make sure you mention you are a member – and have your card if possible – when booking. It's just one of the many benefits of joining up.

Membership

For less than £1 per week you support the Academy, get a meeting a month during the season, prize draws, and the chance to hear and be heard by those in charge at HTFC. Make your voice heard and hear what the plans for the future are.

Open to both sexes, all ages and we don't have a DRESS CODE! Contact Marcus Garside on 01484 314311 or townfan@ntlworld.com

- Patrons Travel – WALSALL, 29/01/05

Another good day out, if spoilt by the result. Good to see Finnish fan Tapani Olkku on the Coach and I hope he and everyone else had a great time. Look out for the next trip, sooner than you can think, our last game at WREXHAM on 7th May. Details soon!

Please call Martin Lister on 01484 714287 DAYTIME ONLY to book or express an interest in our trips.

2005 The Patrons Association's

20th Anniversary Saturday 9th April Galpharm Stadium

On Saturday April 9th after hopefully beating Donny Rovers the Association will be holding a dinner to celebrate their 20 years supporting Town. All are welcome. Many guests have been invited including current and former players and this should be a great night. Dinner, DJ, and all at a VERY reasonable cost as is usual with the Patrons. You have helped contribute over £300,000 in that time! Worth celebrating!

Watch this space and others for details!

For further details of all events and membership see www.htfcpatrons.com



We're all Supporters

Last Saturday had only a partial fixture list (would it have been better if we hadn't had a game?!?) and it was marked at the Wrexham-Doncaster match by a Clubs in Crisis day, co-ordinated by Wrexham and Brighton fans. It was attended by all those clubs without a game that day and underlined the common bond between all supporters. An interesting statistic was that more than half the clubs in the Coca Cola leagues have been in crisis at some point in the last few years. That's probably not too surprising, given the massive differential between Premiership clubs and the rest.

Our visitors today are no exception to that and we have already swapped notes with TiL – Trust in Luton. In some ways we share similar experiences, having been formed in crisis before seeing our clubs come out the other side; now we focus on the long-term.

As Trust members may recall reading in the latest Newsletter distributed last month, we carried a message from Caroline Dunn, TiL's Communications Officer, asking for some special help from the fairer sex! – as follows:

"Women of all ages! Have you followed your team to Wembley? Did you see them secure promotion? Were you there in the dark ages of relegation? A researcher requires female football fans of any generation to complete a questionnaire and possibly participate in a short interview.

For further details, e-mail u0411777@uel.ac.uk or call/text 07963 304275."

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TRANMERE ROVERS

Tuesday 22nd February

Fare £11.00-Adults, £7.00-Juniors, depart 5.00pm

PLEASE NOTE NO ALCOHOL IS ALLOWED ON THE COACHES

For insurance purposes, all travellers will need to be members of the Supporters Club. A responsible adult must accompany any travellers under the age of 16.

OPEN MEETING

Martyn Booty was the guest of the supporters club for the January meeting and an enjoyable evening was had by



Martyn Booty with Maureen Procter

all who attended. The February meeting will take place on Thursday 17th when the guest speaker will be Paul Ogden, along with ex Town favourite Kieran O'Regan and Adam Pope. The meetings are held in the Football Trust Suite at the Stadium, starting at 7.30pm.

PLAYER OF THE YEAR DANCE

The annual awards dance will be held at the Stadium on Saturday 30th April.

Tickets are £15.00 each or £13.00 if bought before 31st March.

Tables of ten are available for £130.00

More details to appear in a later programme.

JUST FOR FUN

Which keeper joined Town on loan in 1987 from Luton making 5 appearances, before returning to Luton?

Answer to the question in the AFC Bournemouth programme – Bill McGarry

development association

The Development Association is an independent alliance between Huddersfield Town Football Club and its supporters' groups which oversees the raising and dissemination of funds to the Academy.

It encompasses the Town Supporters' Organisation as well as the football club's fundraising schemes. The Development Association comprises the:

- Blue & White Foundation • Disabled Supporters Club • Golden Gamble • On the Move Lottery •
- Patrons Association • Sporting Club • Supporters Club • Survival Trust •
- Yorkshire Building Society – Terriers Account • Young Terriers

All monies raised through fans' subscriptions to these schemes and supporters' groups are administered to the Academy by the completely autonomous Development Association.

young terriers

Can I start by thanking everyone who came with us to Walsall last weekend. We asked for a big turnout and we were not disappointed. Only three spaces were unfilled on the coach and we cannot ask for any better response than that. Thank you once again.

The Junior Saddlers showed us some great hospitality whilst we were there by inviting us to spend an hour in their club room which is fitted with games machines, television and a snack bar, something to be really proud of, and something that we in The Young Terriers aspire to. Thanks to the helpers and Junior Saddlers for all that they did for us. Meeting fans from other clubs is, and always will be, encouraged by us and we look forward to entertaining junior supporters from a few clubs before the end of this season, down at The Sports Barn.

Another little treat was given to Young Terrier, Andrew Bottom, who was asked to be matchday mascot at Walsall and did himself and his family proud by joining in the pre-match warm-up with the players, and beating Phil Senior with a well struck penalty (sorry Phil).

It is my privilege to be part of The Development Association, representing The Young Terriers, and whilst at one of the meetings which took place in January, passed on a request from some of the senior members. They asked if it would be possible to take part in a

coaching session, similar in principle to an Academy training routine. Gerry Murphy duly obliged by allowing one of the Academy coaches, Mick Reid, and academy member Nicholas Reid to spend some time with us during the Young Terriers meeting, before the game against Bournemouth. We expected them to stay for 15 minutes but they were still with us at 2 pm. They put the juniors and seniors through some typical training exercises and offered encouragement to our youngsters during their football sessions. This visit was a real treat for us all, and please come back to see us again pretty soon, it was brilliant. Thanks to Gerry, to Mick and to Nicholas for giving us some of their time. I actually think they may have enjoyed it too!

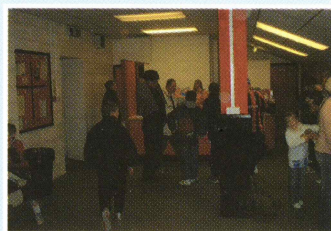
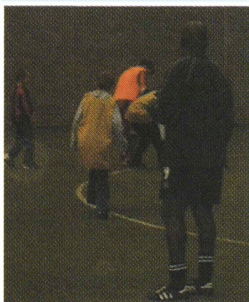
One of today's pictures shows Mick passing on some of his knowledge to a group of Young Terriers. The second shows the inside of The Junior Saddlers club room, and the third is one that was taken before the same game at Walsall two weeks ago and shows a group of Young Terriers sitting quietly!

Congratulations go to The Back Row Boys who won the Young Terriers Quiz on the way to Walsall. If they can win it I think we need a harder quiz next time! I am working on it already.

I am not sure of our next away trip but there is sure to be one soon. As details become available we will let you know. The next Meeting will be before the game against Blackpool on the 19th February at our usual time of 12 midday onwards, at The Sports Barn, Leeds Road Playing Fields.

Enjoy your football.

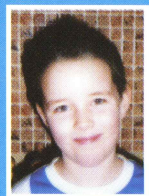
Stuart



today's mascots

Our mascots for this afternoon's game are Liam Brown and Samuel and Joshua Moore.

Liam is 8 years old and attends Reinwood Junior School. His hobbies are Football and playing on his Playstation. Liam's favourite players are Chris Brandon, Junior Mendes, Pawel Abbott, Danny Schofield and Efe Sodje.



Samuel is 9 years old today and attends Golcar J I & N School. His hobbies are Football, Cricket and Swimming. Samuel's favourite players are Efe Sodje, Pawel Abbott and Danny Schofield.

Joshua is 5 years old and attends Golcar J I & N School. His hobbies are Football, Cricket and Swimming. Joshua's favourite players are Andy Booth, Pawel Abbott and Efe Sodje.

fans' zone

Through thick and thin! A TOWN fan shares his ups and downs over the seasons!

Some fans are more willing to open their hearts to us than others! And this week's long-standing and staunch fan goes back more seasons than we dared to ask him about! So with a little memory-jogging by his mates, local supporter MALCOLM GLEDHILL is now willing to give us a glimpse of his Town memories in this weeks -

My TOWN!

Why did you start to support Huddersfield Town? I had to! Whether it was family or friends or both who led the way is not clear. But I first turned up at Leeds Road and have been a fan ever since. I not only watch Town but often discuss the current fortunes of today's team when I meet my Town-mad friends socially.

Who took you to your first match? It was Dad. How often have I read that here before! Was it that we all went with our Dad's because they were proud to be introducing a new generation of supporters? In my case, he had the money and he paid for me. So I went with him.

First match you watched? I'm afraid its lost in the mists of time!

Why do you continue to watch Town given all the heartache? Occasionally they are brilliant. I'll make no bones about it - I don't expect them to play like a Premiership team but on occasions they have turned it on and I've enjoyed a great match. It goes to show that Jacko's men can produce the goods when they play up to his coaching and expectations.

First player to really catch your eye? Vic Metcalf whose left wing place was virtually unchallenged for the 12 seasons he played for Town. Starting in 1945-46 he teamed-up with centre-forward Jimmy Glazzard [see below] in one of the all-time great goal-making and goal-scoring partnerships. Metcalf was Town's regular penalty-taker for several seasons and won two England caps and played for the Football League. He moved to Hull City in 1958.

Favourite player from yesteryear? Jimmy Glazzard - or "Gentleman Jim" as he was affectionately known - is my man. Not many fans nowadays know he began life as a miner at Altofts Colliery before signing for Town in 1943. He became a first team regular at centre-forward in 1952 and his headed goals from Vic Metcalf's centres were a major plank of Town's successes until he was signed by Everton in 1956. He was transferred to Mansfield four months later and retired in 1957-58.

Outstanding player from the past? My vote goes to Peter Docherty who was considered by some to be the greatest-ever footballer to come out of Ireland. Wartime and service in the RAF interrupted his career but during that time he guested for Derby County and joined their staff in 1945 helping them

to win the FA Cup. In 1946 he was in dispute with the Rams and joined Town for £10,000.

Ironically his first game for Town was away at Blackpool - the club who had signed him from Glentoran for £2,000 in November 1933. Town lost by the odd goal in three but beat Brentford 3 - 0 (Rodgers 2, Glazzard) the following week when Docherty made his home debut.

Town's team that day was - Hesford; Bailey. Stewart A. V; Barker, Hepplewhite, Boot; Bateman, Glazzard, Rodgers, Docherty and Metcalf. And the manager was David Steele.

Best home performance last season? The win over Hull City last season was a very good performance and I'd probably go for that. But there were some important wins which kept us in the promotion hunt both home and away. I always felt the team could 'turn it on' if everything went for them which is why said earlier that Town can be brilliant.

Favourite team formation? 2 - 4 - 4 is my choice. But like all right-thinking fans I want Jacko to put out a formation that is in with a chance of keeping a clean sheet and either winning comfortably or at least 'nicking it'.

Favourite manager before Jacko? They have all had their strengths - Town wouldn't have appointed them otherwise. I've always realised that the finances of the club plus injuries etc have a bearing on the team's performance.

If you were giving a team talk before a match what point/s would you make? Keep the ball on the ground and find your men. We've played our best football doing this and we need to concentrate on it more.

If you could sign an extra player who would it be? I'd bring back Jon Stead from Blackburn. He was a star man with us and made a big impact in the Premiership when he first joined Blackburn. And he could certainly do a job for us now.

What do you think of the general standard of refereeing last season? C..p!

Predictions:

Where shall we finish this season? About 10th. If we finish anything above 10th it will be a bonus.

When shall we get into the Premiership? Next season!

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It was great to meet Geoff Hutt at the last match against AFC Bournemouth, a huge favourite with the crowd and especially Paul Hirst. Paul is a programme seller in the ground and he purchased his half time ticket from the girls in the Rope Walk.

White ticket 2161 won him £900.

The second prize of £90 was won on a blue ticket. Number 3881.

Please give a warm welcome to Graham Mitchell, ex player and now academy team manager for our under 16 youth team. Graham was signed by Mick Buxton in 1984 and for most of his 10 years at Town he played as centre half, Graham will be making someone very happy today when he draws out their lucky **Golden Gamble** winning tickets.

Remember to get yours from one of our many sellers around the ground.

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Today's game is our third schools promotion fixture of the season and what a terrific response we have had from 47 schools in the area. We have exceeded our best ever numbers and over 1500 pupils, parents and teachers are attending the game, the majority of them sitting in the Panasonic Upper Tier. We hope to hear you making plenty of noise! The winners of the signed ball from the last promotion are Ravenshall School in Dewsbury and representatives from Ravenshall will be appearing on the pitch at half time.

WE WOULD LIKE TO THANK THE FOLLOWING SCHOOLS FOR THEIR SUPPORT:

Almondbury Infant & Nursery, Beech School, Golcar, Birdsedge First School, Birkby Infant & Nursery School, Cawley Lane J I & N, Heckmondwike, Cowlersley Primary, Crosland Moor Junior School, Crowlees J & I School, Mirfield, Emley First School, Fartown High School, Fixby J & I School, Heckmondwike Grammar School, Helme C E J & I School, Hepworth J & I School, Highburton CE C First School, Hinchliffe Mill J & I School, Holme Junior & Infant School, Holmfirth High School, Honley CE C I & N School, Honley High School, Horbury Primary School, Horbury School, Kirkburton Middle School, Kirkheaton Primary School, Lepton CE School, Lowerhouses School, Lydgate School, New Mill, Middlestown J & I School, Wakefield, Outlane Junior School, Paddock J I & N School, Rastrick High School, Ravenshall School, Dewsbury, Rawthorpe High School, Reinwood J & I School, St Johns C E I School, St Joseph's Catholic Primary, St Patrick's Catholic Primary, Scapegoat Hill J & I School, Scholes J & I School, Scissett Middle School, Shaw Cross Infant & Nursery School, Shepley First School, Spen Valley Sports College, Stile Common Junior School, The Mount School, Upperthong J & I School, Wellhouse J & I School.

ENJOY THE GAME!

GROUND REGULATIONS

In the interest of Spectator Safety the following conditions apply at the Galpharm Stadium and will be enforced by the club's stewards, with the full support of West Yorkshire Police:

The club has the right to refuse entry or eject any person who refuses to be searched by a steward or police officer. Any person who fails to comply with instructions from a steward may be ejected from the ground. Any person whose behaviour could reasonably be construed as consisting a source of danger, nuisance or annoyance to other spectators may be ejected.

It is a criminal offence, for which you may be arrested, to throw anything on to the pitch or at players, officials and other supporters. Take part in any indecent or racist chanting, go on to the playing surface at any time. Try to enter the ground with intoxicating liquor, to try to enter the ground whilst drunk. To possess any article such as knives, bottles, fireworks, smoke canisters, cans and flagpoles which might be used as offensive weapons. To use behaviour which is threatening, abusive or insulting towards another. Persons convicted of criminal offences will become subject to Exclusion Orders banning them from all Football League grounds.

Acknowledging both the responsibility of the club, as members of the FA, and that of the Stadium Company to assure good crowd behaviour at matches we have to address the difficulty of persistent standing of supporters in seated areas throughout a game.

Whether we like it or not the days of standing on the terraces will soon be a thing of the past. With the advent of new and refurbished stadia throughout the Football League there are now very few standing areas remaining. Following the Hillsborough disaster and the Taylor report major changes have been made and there is a legal requirement regarding standing which applies to all football grounds. Authorities are enforcing this requirement for the benefit of the safety of all supporters.

Enforcement of this ruling will be carried out at all grounds and an eviction policy will be in place for those who do not adhere to the ruling. We would ask that our supporters observe the ruling both at the Galpharm Stadium and when travelling to away games.

J Ann Hough, Club & Company Secretary



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fans' opinion

THE DUBIOUS VALUE OF THE TRANSFER WINDOW

The January transfer window has come and gone and we still have all our 'Jacko Juniors' on the books for the Gaffer to bring into the big picture as he decrees.

Me and my fellow Lower Batleyites had two or three Academy graduate names we thought could be the subject of interest from higher divisions this time. And we'd already heard rumours about our Polish Under 21 international Pawel Abbott being on the wanted list not of the KGB but of a club in the Championship.

But not so much as a rumour of any offers passed our shell-likes. On the other side of the coin our doughty, durable and determined manager Jacko was looking to bring an experienced defender in during January.

True, Clarkie, Mirf and one or two others weren't on eye-catching form throughout January for reasons of injury etc. But the club has been giving regular hospitality to quite a lot of scouts who bask in the luxury of plush seats in the Directors' Box - and they have to earn their corn. Don't tell me they fall asleep and miss the action! There's always far too much action at both ends here at the Galpharm for any of them not to be absorbed like the rest of us.

So I was relieved - and I have to say, surprised to be relieved! - when the month came and went and we still had the same squad on Jacko's books.

This, and the general lack of transfers in January, indicates to me that the transfer window is of

dubious value. Some clubs like Town can live with it; others who are cash-strapped and need to sell to survive have got a problem. For the latter, a sale of a player could stave off administration, deduction of 10 points and even avoid relegation.

It seems to me that if a big club wants a player they will get him whether its January or summer. So the transfer window does not provide protection in those cases.

There are other ways of bringing in players, depending on circumstances, both on loan and on permanent signings. And as long as these avenues remain open the transfer window is destined to be more of a talking point for the media and broadcasters than anything else. However, my guess is that the Transfer Window will be consigned to history before long.

It would have added a metaphoric splash of colour to a drab January if Premiership clubs had done a bit of swapping about of players adding a few £million here and there. This would have kept us in mind of how Jacko and Andrew Watson would be expected to wheel and deal when we reach the heights in our centenary year! And if you think I'm dreaming, I'm not!

Lower Batleyite

Valentines Day Ball

Kicks off: Saturday 12th February – 7.00 pm

Tickets £40 or Tables of 10 for £350

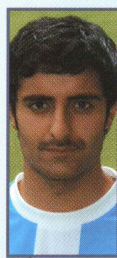
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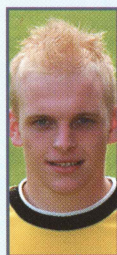
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Dual Seal Glass

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Michele Adamson
& Paul Biott

Thomas Stead




Phil Senior
Best wishes for the season.
Huddersfield Town Ladies
Football Club
Good luck for the season
from Allison and Joyce Turner

Luke Stead




Akpo Sodje
Andrew, Jane, Emily,
Lucy Rowley, Emma Brook

Jessica North




Efe Sodje
Best wishes for the season.
Martin, Louise, Chloe &
Holly Whiteley
Andrew, Mick, Jacob, Peter,
Allison Kaminski
and Kotowski Families

Liam North



Jonathan Worthington
All the very best for
the season. Maureen Procter
& Susan Procter


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Good luck to all for the
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the record breakers

biggest attendances

- It's one of those big games that come around every so often. As you near the ground you smile as you feel the comforting bulge of your season ticket nestling there next to your heart. Whilst the hoi-polloi queue en masse to pay at the turnstiles you, happy in the knowledge that your seat is safe, casually stroll past them and take time to exchange pleasantries with your regular gateman. "Full 'ouse today, sir!" says he, tugging a respectful forelock, "I've 'ad an urchin warmin' your place this last 'alf 'our." You slowly remove your kid gloves and topper and hand them to the fellow. "Thank you, Minion," you sniff, "and I trust that my programme has been correctly ironed this week?" (One can't get the staff, you know.) But then you look around and see that the wrinkled retainer was right, damn his impudence. You appear to be in the midst of the biggest crowd scene since the *Ben Hur* chariot race. Who ARE all these people, and what are they doing in your back garden? Still, you muse, there's nothing like a good attendance to create some atmosphere – oh, and to keep the old bank manager happy, of course . . .
- The biggest home League gate Huddersfield Town have ever played before crammed into the old Leeds Road ground on April 7th 1951 when 52,479 witnessed a surprise 2-1 win over Blackpool. Whilst the struggling home side were threatened by relegation at the time the Seaside had the League title in their sights and had major box-office draw Stanley Matthews in their team, hence the game's attraction. Even this though couldn't match the official club record attendance of 67,037 that saw Town lose 0-1 to Arsenal in an FA Cup 6th round tie on February 27th 1932. Fans were packed like sardines with an estimated 5,000 more having sneaked in through an unlocked gate behind the 'Popular Side'. During the match around 100 squashed and fainting spectators were taken to the club gym below the stands and given first aid treatment, although thankfully no serious injuries were reported. Since the move to the new McAlpine Stadium in 1994 Town's record gate currently stands at 23,678 who saw the Terriers lose 0-2 to Liverpool in the FA Cup 3rd round on December 12th 1999.
- As everyone is well aware Manchester United continue to attract the biggest attendance of any club in Britain thanks in no small part to their huge and impressive Old Trafford home. No surprise then to find that United hold the record for the biggest ever League attendance – except to discover that the game in question against Arsenal was actually played at Maine Road, then the home of their great rivals Manchester City, on January 17th 1948! With Old Trafford still out of action due to bomb damage sustained during World War Two, United were obliged to ground-share until repairs had been finished. When the Gunners came to town that day some 83,260 watched a 1-1 draw between the top two clubs in England. Arsenal went on to win the title some seven points ahead of United.
- In Britain as a whole the largest official attendance yet stands at 146,433 who saw Celtic beat Aberdeen 2-1 to take the 1937 Scottish Cup at Hampden Park. A little under two years later 118,576 then watched Rangers beat Celtic 2-1 at Ibrox on January 2nd 1939 to record the biggest ever gate for a League fixture in Britain. April 15th 1970 saw another massive crowd of 135,826 fill Hampden Park for Celtic's European Cup semi-final (second leg) against Leeds United, which the Bhoys won 2-1, but it is likely all these figures had already been surpassed in April 1923 at the first ever Wembley FA Cup Final. The new stadium was simply overwhelmed as fans flocked to see Bolton Wanderers take on West Ham United with the FA foolishly adopting a pay-at-the-turnstile policy. The inevitable result was that various gates were broken down and an estimated 75,000 got in for free to join the 126,047 who had legitimately paid. PC George Scorey and his white horse Billy famously helped clear people from the pitch so that the game (which Bolton won 2-0) could begin. Since that shambolic day the Final has been a strictly all-ticket affair!

Alan Hodgson

classic encounters

30 January 1960 - Town 0 Luton 4 (FA Cup 4)

During the late 1950's Luton Town were a mid-table First Division side, while Town had recently fallen from a lofty perch to become similarly entrenched in the second section. Beaten finalist in 1959, Luton came to 'Town' for a fourth round tie which attracted much attention, not least for the fact that in the previous round the Leeds Road men had gone to London and thrashed West Ham 5-1 on a ground made treacherous by a few inches of compacted snow on its surface.

The 28,220 who gathered at Leeds Road for the Hatter's tie found similar conditions and indeed the game was in doubt until the gates opened two hours before kick off. Huddersfield's young right-wing partnership of Denis Law and Kevin McHale put in some lively work and the Luton Town goal had many close encounters with keeper Baynham in outstanding form for the visitors. Defender turned emergency forward Jack Connor was also prominent as leader of the Terrier's attack.

During the second period, with the snow beginning to melt and turn to slush in the penalty areas, the visitors defence held on only due to 'amazing luck and Baynham's brilliance' – to quote one national newspaper report. With the minutes ebbing away and a fog descending Law forced two successive corners, but from the second of these Luton broke away and snatched a dramatic 88th minute winner. After a goalmouth scramble Gregory beat Ray Wood to send Southern hats into the air and break many Yorkshire hearts.

Another defeat in round 4 of the FA cup at Kenilworth Road in 1985 means that Luton hold the balance of power in the nineteen encounters thus far. In league football we need just one victory to even things up – starting today we hope!



HUDDERSFIELD TOWN v LUTON TOWN

Luton Town were formed in 1885 and elected to Division Two in 1897.

They failed re-election in 1900 but returned to the Football League as original members of Division Three in 1920.

FOOTBALL LEAGUE

Year	Date	Div	Venue	Att	Result	Scorers
1963	Mar 16	2	a	5,428	2-3 L	Chris Balderstone, Mike O'Grady
1972	Sep 02	2	a	8,133	1-4 L	Alan Gowling
1973	Jan 20	2	H	3,871	1-2 L	Geoff Hutt
1995	Dec 23	1	a	7,076	2-2 D	Andy Booth, Lee Makel
1953	Feb 28	2	a	25,831	2-0 W	Jimmy Glazzard, Roy Shiner
1955	Oct 15	1	H	19,621	0-2 L	-
1956	Feb 25	1	a	15,331	2-1 W	Bill McGarry (2)
1960	Aug 20	2	H	18,156	1-1 D	Derek Stokes
1960	Dec 17	2	a	11,219	0-1 L	-
1961	Sep 02	2	a	14,436	4-3 W	Peter Dinsdale, Derek Stokes (2), Pat Saward
1962	Jan 13	2	H	11,140	1-2 L	John Coddington (p)
1963	Mar 09	2	H	10,279	2-0 W	Derek Stokes, Kelly (og)

FA CUP

Year	Date	Rd	Venue	Att	Result	Scorers
1960	Jan 30	4	H	28,220	0-1 L	-
1985	Jan 26	4	a	8,712	0-2 L	-

SUMMARY

Competition	Home						Away					
	P	W	D	L	F	A	P	W	D	L	F	A
League	8	3	1	4	9	8	9	4	1	4	15	18
FA Cup	1	0	0	1	0	1	1	0	0	1	0	2

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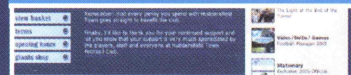


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football in the community

FEBRUARY HALF TERM SOCCER SCHOOLS & NEW TERRIER TOTS SOCCER SCHOOLS



We have just finalized our soccer school programme for February Half Term, which will feature 2 brand new courses for Terrier Tots – 1 day fun soccer schools for 4 to 7 year olds only!

All courses are being run, once again, in partnership with Kellogg's Frosties. Across the country, nearly 30,000 children took part in Football In The Community Soccer Schools during October last year, and this is another opportunity for boys and girls to take part in super quality activities in a safe and friendly environment. Kellogg's Frosties and Tony the Tiger challenge you to Earn Your Stripes, develop your skills and have a gr-r-reat time at Huddersfield Town, by attending one of the February Half Term courses!

The new Terrier Tots course will follow the same structure as our regular courses, by providing skills coaching, mini soccer tournaments and penalty shoot-out competitions, but will allow our youngest players to develop and improve their skills, and increase their confidence by playing in an environment specifically for their age.

All courses are 2 day courses and are open to boys and girls aged 4 to 16, except for the Terrier Tots Courses which are 1 day courses open to 4 to 7 year olds only.

	Venue	Date	Code	Time	Booked	Pay On The Day
	Horbury School 2 Day Course	Mon 7th & Tues 8th Feb	384	10.30am to 3.30pm	£20	£22
	Featherstone High School 2 Day Course	Thurs 10th & Fri 11th Feb	385	10.30am to 3.30pm	£20	£22
	Soccer City Indoor Arena 2 Day Indoor Course	Mon 14th & Tues 15th Feb	386	10.30am to 3.30pm	£22	£24
New Terrier Tots	Leeds Road Playing Fields 4 to 7 YEAR OLDS ONLY 1 Day Indoor & Outdoor Course	Mon 14th Feb	387	10.30am to 3.30pm	£11	£12
	Leeds Road Playing Fields 2 day Indoor & Outdoor Course	Tues 15th & Wed 16th Feb	388	10.30am to 3.30pm	£22	£24
	Soccer City Indoor Arena 2 Day Indoor Course	Wed 16th & Thurs 17th Feb	389	10.30am to 3.30pm	£22	£24
	Leeds Road Playing Fields 2 Day Indoor & Outdoor Course	Thurs 17th & Fri 18th Feb	390	10.30am to 3.30pm	£22	£24
New Terrier Tots	Soccer City Indoor Arena 4 to 7 YEAR OLDS ONLY 1 Day Indoor Course	Fri 18th Feb	391	10.30am to 3.30pm	£11	£12

All courses are covered by public and personal liability insurance, and are recognized by The Football Association, The Football League and The Professional Footballers Association, and have been awarded the F.A. Charter Standard, a nationally recognized award which rewards and recognises quality.

As a Charter Standard Holiday Course Provider, Huddersfield Town Football In The Community Scheme will provide:

- Safe environment • Appropriate facilities including indoor provision • Approved coaching programme – appropriate for age and experience • Qualified coaches • Coach to child ration – 1 to 16 maximum • Children grouped within a 2 year age band

BEWARE! Other courses may not meet these high standards!

To apply, simply complete the application form and send, with the appropriate course fee to Huddersfield Town Football In The Community Scheme, The galpharm Stadium, Huddersfield, HD1 6PE.

You will not receive confirmation, so simply arrive at your chosen venue with appropriate football clothing, including training shoes, shinpads and a packed lunch with plenty to drink. Huddersfield Town players regularly attend so don't forget your autograph book!

football in the community development

Huddersfield Town Football In The Community Scheme has made fantastic progress and development during 2004. A quick review of our core activities highlights the number of children now involved with Huddersfield Town on a regular basis.

Whilst we are delighted with the progress made, these figures will act as benchmark for 2005, during which we hope to extend our activities even further and involve even more children.

Activities	Number Of Sessions	Number Of Children
In School Coaching Sessions	840	24360
After School Coaching Sessions	360	10012
Soccer Schools	62	3712
Saturday Soccer School	50	2945
Birthday Parties	88	1232
Coaching Clinics	108	1021
Cheerleaders	72	1012
Totals	1,580	44,285

The progress and development that Huddersfield Town Football In The Community Scheme has made during the last 12 months is largely down to the hard work and dedication of the coaching staff. Nigel Thewlis, as Community Officer, is heavily involved in all activities delivered, and having a Regional Schools Manager working specifically within each pyramid of schools has dramatically increased our links with schools on a daily basis.

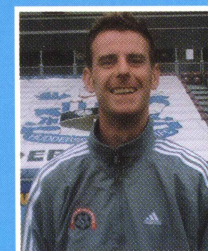
Well done guys and keep up the fantastic work!



Nigel Thewlis
Community Officer



Robert Day
Holmfirth



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31. Jacob Giles



luton town

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