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# Colin Todd

Those who made the journey to Hillsborough last Saturday will have seen the best of us but a lot more saw the worst in our last home game against Milton Keynes Dons - but that's football.

They were the ones who said that our season was dead and buried after that performance against a side struggling at the foot of the table.

But as I had been telling the players, there was no better place to go and put the show back on the road than Sheffield Wednesday.

We went there to face a side that were unbeaten in two months and it was New Year's Day when we last came away with all three points.

But as we all know form means nothing in this League and in front of over 23,000 fans we were able to remind everybody just exactly what we are capable of.

Reputations were on line. I kept faith with Paul Henderson after his uncharacteristic wobble against Milton Keynes Dons. I can understand why he was unsettled in that game with all the transfer speculation going round after his name had been

touted about with a move elsewhere.

I have not spoken to any other clubs about him but maybe after his performance against the Dons, the person who has been doing the touting, and in my opinion is bang out of order, may think better in future as it has done nobody any favours.

Andy Cooke is now getting back to full fitness for the English game after his time playing in South Korea.

Last Saturday he gave his best display since joining us early in the New Year and his part in the winning goal should not be underestimated.

It was also good to have Steven Schumacher back from injury. His return added zip and zest and brought legs to the piston-like work-rate of Lee Crooks.

And thankfully at the back normal service was resumed with no hangovers from the uncertainties that had reared their head against MK Dons.

I made the late changes against Sheffield Wednesday as I felt the game was slipping away from us. That is why I brought off Ben Muirhead to be replaced by Owen Morrison. He could

hold the ball for us and give us a bit of breathing space and it was fitting that he got the goal.

The boo-boys were in their element when his first touch simply ran the ball out of play. They weren't crowing about his second though!

It's like Dean Windass said in the dressing room afterwards, "our season starts all over now".

This afternoon we have a score to settle as we face the current League leaders.

Mike Newell has done a marvellous job at Luton and we helped him on his way with one of our worst performances on the road at the back end of October.

We have to put that right today. British summertime was in force when we last won at home and we have to put ourselves in the right frame of mind to ensure it is not back with us before we taste victory on home soil again.

We have given away far too many sloppy goals that are costing us valuable points. Amazingly we have picked up more on our travels.

Supporters can play their part. I have said it countless times but the few hundred who travel to the away games tend to make more noise and keep getting behind the lads than eight

thousand do here at home. Let's try to put it right starting this afternoon as Luton will have a fair number here egging them on and we need the points as much as they do if we are keep with the pack chasing the Play-Off places.

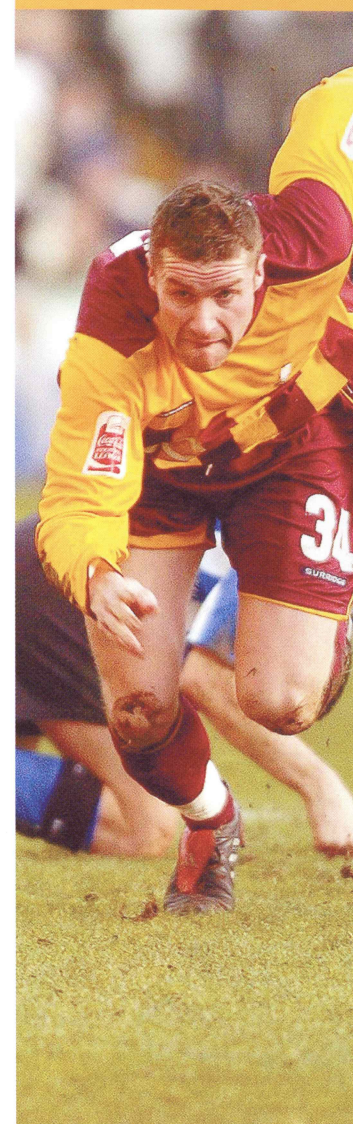
One down side of last Saturday's victory was the loss just before half-time of Paul Tierney who went off injured with what looked to be a bad hamstring pull. He had a scan during the week and thankfully it is not as bad as was first thought. He will be out for about three weeks which will mean an enforced change round at the back this afternoon.

I signed off last time round by saying that I was looking for fire in the players' bellies. It came a week late. However I am sure they know now what is expected of them this afternoon, a continuation of where they left off at Hillsborough.

**Enjoy the game.**

*Colin Todd*

**Colin Todd**





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## Bantams Update

### WELCOME HATTERS

Good afternoon and welcome to the players, official and supporters of Luton Town Football Club to Valley Parade for today's Coca-Cola Football League 1 fixture.



### COCA-COLA FOOTBALL LEAGUE

After this afternoon's game we have two consecutive away fixtures. On Tuesday evening we travel to face Blackpool at Bloomfield Road in the Coca-Cola Football League 1 where the kick off is at 7.45pm before visiting Walsall at the Bescot Stadium in a week's time on Saturday 26 February with a 3.00pm kick off.

Our next home game is the local-derby clash with Huddersfield Town here at Valley Parade on Saturday 5 March. Kick off is at 3.00pm.

Home and away match ticket information is on pages 16 and 17 of this afternoon's programme.

### DONCASTER ROVERS

Please note that our game with Doncaster Rovers at the Earth Stadium, originally scheduled to have been played on Easter Saturday will now be played on Thursday 24 March with a 7.45pm kick off. The game has been brought forward to avoid a clash with the televised World Cup qualifier between England and Northern Ireland at Old Trafford which kicks off at 3.00pm on the Saturday.

### RESERVES

No game for the Reserves next week. Their next game is not until Tuesday 1 March when they entertain Stoke City here at Valley Parade, kick off 2.00pm.

### FOOTBALL LEAGUE YOUTH ALLIANCE

The Youth Team were at Boston United this morning in the Football League Youth Alliance Merit Division. Their next game sees them up against Preston North End at Apperley Bridge next Saturday morning, kicking off at 11.00am.

### BANTAMS NOMINATED FOR 'FOOTBALL QUOTIENT' AWARD

Bradford City Football Club have been nominated in the March 2005 uhlisport/FourFourTwo FQ Awards.

uhlisport, the world's largest football-only company and official kit suppliers to Pavel Nedved, developed The FQ Awards, in conjunction with FourFourTwo, to recognise those who display an 'advanced understanding of the beautiful game' or FQ. Paul Reaney, Chairman of the FQ Award committee commented: "Bradford donated part of their gate receipts from the Boxing Day game with Wrexham to the Welsh side, who are in administration. "We've been in administration twice in three years, you need all the help you can," said club secretary Jon Pollard." To

us, that shows an advanced understanding of football. Fantastic FQ."

In the March 2005 uhlisport/FourFourTwo FQ Awards, Bradford City's FQ will be measured against:

Ø Hereford manager Graham Turner, a man who has single-handedly kept the Bulls in business.

Ø Gordon Strachan who knew that going to manage your local rivals is poor FQ

Ø Spurs boss Martin Jol for the dignity and restraint he showed in response to 'that goal' at Old Trafford.

Each month FourFourTwo readers will be asked to vote on who has the greatest FQ at [www.precisionfootball.com](http://www.precisionfootball.com) with the winner going into a final vote to decide the individual or team who has shown the strongest FQ in 2004/5. One voter a month will also win an uhlisport team kit with an end of season prize entitling a winner and his/her guest to take in a Serie A game featuring uhlisport endorsee Pavel Nedved. Readers can record their vote or make a nomination for a future FQ nominee by visiting [www.precisionfootball.com](http://www.precisionfootball.com)

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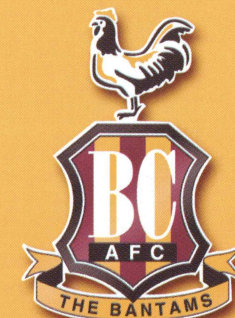
### CHANGE OF ADDRESS

We will soon be finalising details for Season Tickets for next season. If you are a Season Ticket holder and have moved house in the last 12 months can you please ensure that you notify the Ticket Office of your change of address.

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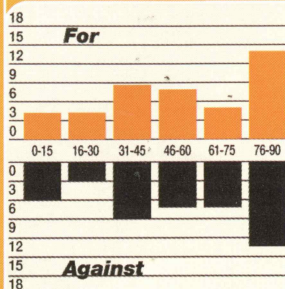




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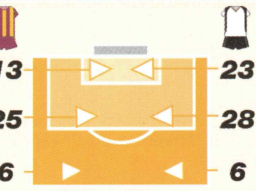


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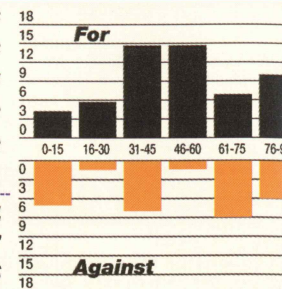
## How & Where Goals Scored

Shots	22
Headers	13
Volleys	4
Penalties	2
Free Kicks	3
Own Goals	0
Shots on Target	156
Goals Scored	44
% of Shots Scored	28.2



Shots	28
Headers	18
Volleys	5
Penalties	3
Free Kicks	2
Own Goals	1
Shots on Target	214
Goals Scored	57
% of Shots Scored	26.6

## When Scored



## Discipline

Red Cards	4
Yellow Cards	56
Fouls Committed	400
Average per Game	12.5
Conceded from Free Kick	5
Fouls Suffered	408
Average per Game	12.75
Scored from Free Kick	9
Caught Offside	100
Average per Game	3.13

## Top Scorers in each Category

Wetherall, Windass	4
Summerbee	2
Windass	5
Windass	8
Windass	3
Windass	2
Windass	6
Wetherall	3
Windass	11.6
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, Brkovic 4
Most goals in last 10	Brkovic 3
Points gained from goals	Howard 14.35

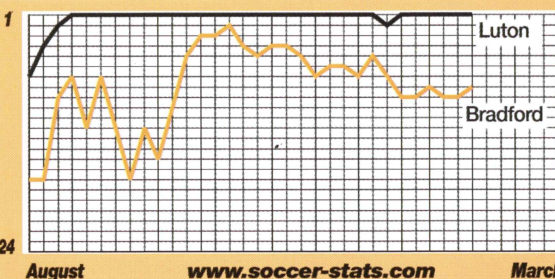
## Discipline

Red Cards	2
Yellow Cards	50
Fouls Committed	467
Average per Game	14.59
Conceded from Free Kick	6
Fouls Suffered	410
Average per Game	12.81
Scored from Free Kick	6
Caught Offside	192
Average per Game	6

## Last 6 & Swings

Opponents	H/A	Score
Sheff Wed	A	2-1
MK Dons	H	1-4
Tranmere	H	1-1
Barnsley	A	2-2
Torquay	H	2-2
Bristol City	A	0-0
Won when Behind:		1
Drawn when Behind:		4
Drawn when Ahead:		4
Lost when Ahead:		2

## Seasonal Progress Comparison

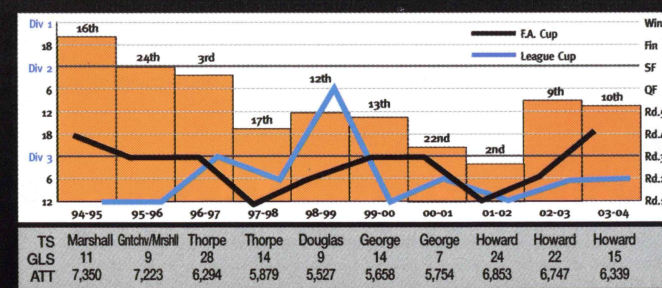


## Last 6 & Swings

Opponents	H/A	Score
Hartlepool	A	3-2
Hull	H	1-0
Huddersfield	A	1-1
Tranmere	H	1-1
Colchester	A	0-0
Stockport	H	3-0
Won when Behind:		3
Drawn when Behind:		5
Drawn when Ahead:		4
Lost when Ahead:		0

## Luton's Last 10 Years

Games Played	583
Won	209
Drawn	165
Lost	209
Goals Scored	786
Goals Conceded	770
Points Total	792
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	



## Top Scorers

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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# LUTON TOWN

Mike Newell is heading for the Championship next season as his League One leaders blaze a trail of glory through the ranks and all credit to him for all was far from golden when he was confirmed as the Luton Town manager in the summer of 2003.

The Club was in total disarray following the sacking of former manager Joe Kinnear and Newell too had been given his cards as the battles for ownership behind the scenes ripped the club apart.

Mike has a long association with the Hatters for it was as a player, two decades before, that he had won the hearts and respect of the Kenilworth Road faithful as a strong bustling brave striker not afraid to put his head in where angels fear to tread and always game to take the attack to the opposition.

Nonetheless, he had hardly sat himself into the managerial chair before the club went into receivership, with debts of some £11 million threatening the club's continuation.

Because of the dire financial situation the Football League immediately imposed a transfer embargo on the Hatters, a drastic blow to the management team as they had already lost eight squad players earlier in the summer whose positions had not been filled.

A tough baptism then for Mike Newell who had no alternative but to make do with the players still at his disposal yet he was lucky in one respect for the backbone of the side was still intact and all credit to them for the Hatters were in contention for a play-off finish last season until dropping away in the final run-in to eventually finish 10<sup>th</sup>.

This season he has been in commanding form winning the first Coca-Cola Manager of the Month award for August after six straight wins and continuing to set the pace at the top of the table as his team goes from strength to strength.

Newell of course is no stranger to Valley Parade but the Liverpool born manager started off in the amateur ranks as a player before his professional career started at Gresty Road. He played centre-forward for Crewe Alexander, making his Football League debut in a 2-1 home win over Swindon Town on October 8, 1983 in the Fourth Division. He had only played three League games when Wigan Athletic stepped in before the transfer deadline in 1984 and he spearheaded their Third Division attack for almost two seasons netting 16 goals in 24 League appearances in the season of 1985-86, which he didn't complete as Luton Town, then in the old First Division, had swooped to offer him top class

competition as a replacement for the injured Mick Harford.

His move from Springfield Park in January '86 had cost the Hatters £80,000 but it was money well invested as he continued hitting the back of the net - 19 times in 68 matches to be precise.

When Leicester City stepped in with an offer of £350,000 in '87 economics persuaded the Luton management to accept but this wasn't the end of the trail for the big handsome goal getter.

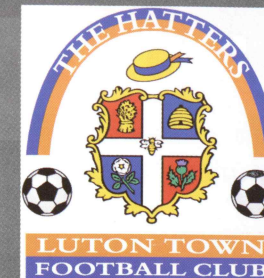
The Foxes realised £850,000 on him when they sold him to Everton and then the Goodison Park outfit cashed in for £1.1million when Mike moved on to Blackburn Rovers where he collected a Premiership Championship winners' medal in 1995.

Birmingham City manager Trevor Francis paid £775,000 for his transfer in July '96 with the expectation of the strong running Newell enjoying a goal feast alongside Paul Furlong. Unfortunately it did not pan out that way Mike asking for a transfer after just 10-weeks citing difficulty in settling at St Andrews.

It was almost like musical chairs after that as he moved around the country first Harry Redknapp took him on loan to try and solve the Hammers scoring drought but he failed to score in seven games for West Ham United, and a similar loan spell here at Bradford City in March 1997 when he also made seven League appearances in our colours, again brought no reward in terms of goals.

Three goals in 1996-97 represented one of Mike's leanest spells but in the summer of '97 Aberdeen paid £160,000 to take him north and he scored six goals in 32(12) SPL appearances before returning to Crewe on a free in March '99. Three months later he was with Doncaster Rovers and finally Blackpool (February 2000) clocking up over 500 League games for 14 clubs and adding England 'B' and under-21 caps to his Championship medal before moving into a coaching job with Tranmere Rovers.

In November 2002 Mick became manager of Hartlepool United, the scene of his latest triumph on Tuesday night, taking them to promotion upon which his contract was amazingly not renewed and Hartlepool's loss became Luton Town's gain.



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# LUTON TOWN

MARLON BERESFORD

**WHAT a season this is turning out to be for the Hatters who have led the chase for the Coca-Cola League One championship for most of the season.**

Reeling off six straight wins at the start of the season their intentions were clear from the start. Oldham (2-1), Torquay United and AFC Bournemouth (both 1-0) were beaten at Kenilworth Road while maximum points were also taken away at Swindon, Barnsley and Blackpool.

It was at Hillsborough where they lost their 100 per cent record in the seventh game of the season, Wednesday restricting Luton to a goalless draw. Nonetheless normal service was resumed at home where Rowan Vine scored in a 1-0 win over Chesterfield.

Stockport away, then Peterborough at home, were the next to succumb to the Luton tide as they swept into October in poll position.

Here they lost their momentum while maintaining rank, taking just seven points from the next 18 and suffering three successive defeats, at home to Huddersfield Town 1-2 then at Walsall and Hull City. Had the wheels come off the Luton band wagon?

Not flipping likely for next into the Kenilworth Road camp it was the Bantams brimming with confidence on the back of five successive wins but we were well and truly plucked to the tune of 4-0.

An Ahmed Brkovic brace and strikes from Steve Howard and Paul Underwood secured the league leaders a comfortable win and our miserable day was completed with a red card for Dean Windass.

Having put four past us Luton then hit Wrexham for five but visiting Doncaster Rovers held their own in a 1-1 draw.

A 2-0 defeat at Brentford was a timely reminder that this Luton machine was not invincible but the Hatters again responded positively with three back-to-back wins followed by three successive draws, home to Colchester United, Sheffield Wednesday then away at Peterborough United, a sequence that saw them relinquish top spot.

Brentford stung them again in the FA Cup with a 2-0 third round win at Kenilworth Road but Luton were back on track again after a 3-0 victory over Stockport County.

Three more draws followed, 0-0 at Colchester, 1-1 home to Tranmere Rovers and 1-1 at Huddersfield Town leading up to last Saturday's top of the table clash with Hull City.

It was as tight as anticipated with the game still locked at 0-0 with 80-seconds of normal time left on the clock. Then drama as Ahmet Brkovic met Steve Robinson's cross to head past Myhill and leave the Tigers stunned. Luton were back on top with 15 games to go.

Then on Tuesday night, as if to emphasise their quality, they became the first side this season to win at Hartlepool, beating their promotion rivals 3-2 in a thriller.

## The Squad:

### Marlon Beresford - Goalkeeper

Signed last July from League One rivals Barnsley. The 34-year-old is vastly experienced with over 400 appearances under his belt and he returned to Kenilworth Road after impressing during a successful three month spell with the Hatters last year. A trainee at Sheff Wednesday Marlon joined Burnley for £95,000 in 1992, then went to Middlesbrough for £500,000 in March '98 and has had loan spells with Bury, Northampton and Crewe. Arrived at Valley Parade on a free in September '93 and did an excellent short-term job for us in five League games when both our regular custodians were injured. Now number one at Luton he has played in all but nine games this season.

### Ahmet Brkovic - Midfield

The Croatian midfielder joined from Leyton Orient in the summer of 2001 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

played an important part, mainly on the right flank, to help Luton return to the Second Division at the first attempt. Has scored in the last two games and has 12 goals all told.

### Chris Coyne - Central Defender

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, who signed him for the Hammers. Limited to just one Premiership game Chris joined Dundee, after loan spells at Brentford and Southend. £50,000 persuaded the SPL club to let Chris move to Luton in September 2001.

### Sol Davis - Defender

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 - Central Defender

Having been a solid and consistent performer in the club's Under-19s over the past three years, Curtis has been almost ever-present in the first team this season. Previously with Wimbledon as a schoolboy, Curtis initially joined Luton at 16. Mobile and strong in the air and on the ground.

### Kevin Foley - Defender

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. Made 33 League appearances last season and is now established as the regular right-back, rounding off a great performance on Tuesday night with a goal at Hartlepool.

### Peter Holmes - Midfield

A two-footed player, Holmes has an impressive pedigree as a graduate of the FA's School Of Excellence, from the same year as Michael Owen. He found first team opportunities limited when he first arrived After initially being released in the summer of 2003 as a result of the club's financial situation he continued to train with Luton and agreed a fresh deal to stay

### Steve Howard - Striker

Rarely can £50,000 have been better spent that's what Luton paid Northampton Town on deadline day in March 2001 to

prise the bustling striker away from the Cobblers who had invested £120,000 to take him from Hartlepool two years prior. Steve has been the Hatters leading marksman for the last three seasons and tops the chart with 18 goals this season. Howard exploded into his first full season with Luton, his 24 goals making 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.

### Keith Keane - Defender

Having made his debut as a 16-year-old last season the Republic of Ireland Schoolboy international 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 14 appearances. Has made 11 appearances this season and was on the bench last week.

### Alan Neilson - Defender/Midfield

Experience and versatility has made Alan a valuable squad player, for he plays anywhere in the back four or in midfield and was left-back last week. A former Welsh international signed from Grimsby in 2002 as part of a cost-cutting exercise his international career began with Wales at youth and Under-21 level, followed by five full caps. Alan enjoyed a good career in the Premiership, with his first club Newcastle United (42 app) and then with Southampton (53 app) following a £500,000 move in '95. Fulham signed him for £250,000 in November '97 but in four years he made only 29 League appearances for the Cottagers.

### Stephen O'Leary - Midfield

Made the most of his chance in the first-team spotlight in the final few matches of last season making his full League debut at Wrexham and didn't have to wait long to open his goalscoring account, netting against Sheffield Wednesday a week later. Spotted playing for Barnet Schools he has been with the club since he was 13.

### Steve Robinson - Midfield

Was the first of the out of contract players

KEITH KEANE



STEVE HOWARD

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to agree a new deal with Luton in the summer after enjoying a campaign where he firmly established himself as a regular. A hard working midfielder who topped the Hatters assists chart last season Steve has added experience to a young midfield department. Robinson has earned respect wherever he has played and the £50,000 Luton paid Preston in the summer of 2002 for a player who had been capped five times by Northern Ireland was an astute business move. Steve 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 midfield appearance for the Dean Court club his form persuading Preston to invest £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 back on track with the Hatters for whom he made his 100<sup>th</sup> appearance at Huddersfield on Feb 5.

## Dino Seremet - Goalkeeper

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 made his debut in an LDV defeat at Swansea before playing in the next five League games in October.

## Enoch Showunmi - Striker

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. London-born Enoch joined Luton from non-league football with Willesden Constantine - the same side that nurtured the early years of Barry Hayles career - after completing university. He has had four starts this season and scored the goal in a 1-0 win at Chesterfield and Luton's second in Tuesday's 3-2 win at Hartlepool.

## Paul Underwood - Midfield

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's 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 but having regained full fitness he has missed only a couple of games this term, forming a formidable partnership with Sol Davis on the left hand side

## Rowan Vine - Striker

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 campaign after he had made an impressive start to life as a Hatter. His performances during that month were recognised 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 13 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 10 times in 42 games. Ironically, he scored both goals in Town's 2-2 home draw with Colchester and comes into this game on seven goals.

**Other players include goalkeepers Robert Beckwith and Dein Brill; Defenders David Bayliss, Ian Hillier, Max Howell and Russell Perrett; Midfielders Paul Hughes, Michael Leary and Lee Mansell and striker Calvin Andrew.**

## LEADING BY EXAMPLE by Colin Benson

HATTERS midfielder star Kevin John Richard Nicholls is a skipper who wears the captain's armband with pride and now in his fourth season with the Kenilworth Road club he is focussed on leading Luton Town to the Coca-Cola League One championship title.

He says: "The Hull City game last week is the sort of game you look forward to. Top of the table clashes are usually cracking games because they are so important to both sides and to come out on top is just tremendous.

"With a third of the season left we are at the top and this is where we intend to stay. As far as I am concerned if you want to win the league you have to do the business, just as we did in the first thirty-games or so.

"As skipper it is my job to make sure that the lads know what it is all about and that it is time to kick on and win this league."

Kevin is set to make his 174<sup>th</sup> League appearance here this afternoon in a career that started down in London.

Although born in the West Ham United territory of Newham it was south of The Thames, at Charlton Athletic, where Kevin signed up as a trainee in 1995.

Gaining plaudits as an England youth international he was eventually given his League baptism in the 1996-97 season when he made six appearances. His debut was from the bench in a 2-1 defeat at Ipswich Town on September 20, 1996 and three days later he was given his first start in a Coca-Cola Cup tie. He then had to wait until mid-December for another sample of League football with an introduction from the substitute's bench, this time at home to Port Vale.

On February 15, 1997 Kevin made his first Football League start in place of Mark Kinsella on the left flank and what a start! He scored with a spectacular long-range shot in the opening minute in a 2-2 home draw with Barnsley and twelve games later he started in the

number four shirt to enjoy his first League victory, a 2-1 home win over Portsmouth.

Given six more outings in the following campaign Kevin found himself down the pecking order in 1998-99 when he made four League appearances for Brighton & Hove Albion on loan.

Having made only spasmodic appearances in Charlton red Kevin was signed up by Wigan Athletic manager John Benson in June 1999 for £250,000.

Although six-feet tall Kevin always showed great skill with good tight ball control and as an excellent passer of the ball and at Wigan he developed into a tough tackling ball-winner although his first season with the Latics was unfortunately spoilt by injuries, the most serious being a knee problem that required surgery and delayed his debut and restricted him to just eight appearances in his first season.

Unfortunately it took sometime for Kevin to recapture his form and he struggled to make the grade with the Latics and in August 2001 Luton Town snapped him up for a bargain £25,000.

He quickly settled in with the Hatters returning seven goals in 42 League games in his initial season five goals in 36 appearances the following year and two goals in 21 League outings last season in which he started the campaign in a central midfield role but was then hit by a back injury that sidelined him for several months.

Kevin returned to the team in January 2004 and apart from suspension kept his place as indeed he has done for the majority of this season in which his enthusiasm and presence at the hub of the team has been so decisive in Luton's charge for the title.

With four goals this season, all from the penalty spot, against Swindon Town, Boston United in the Carling Cup, Stockport County and most recently in the 1-1 League One draw at home to Tranmere Rovers, Kevin Nicholls is confirming his role as an inspirational captain who leads by example.



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## From the Boardroom

Good afternoon and welcome to Valley Parade for our game against top of the table Luton Town.

The Hatters have been an outstanding team all season and credit should be given to Mike Newell for the club's achievements. I remember Mike as a player here towards the end of the 96/97 season and how his qualities and experience helped us to retain our First Division status that season. I wish him and his team the best of luck for the rest of the campaign.

One advantage of (accidentally!) submitting these notes late is that I know the midweek results and how they have affected our position in the League One table. Both Bournemouth and Hartlepool lost their fixtures which means that we are right back in there with a chance of the play-offs. Most of our rivals are away today so we have a realistic prospect of being in the top six by the end of today.

A win today would also take us past that magical fifty point mark. How typical it would be for us to achieve both by breaking our home form hoodoo and beating the best team in this division. Fingers crossed.

Last Saturday saw another great Yorkshire derby performance from our lads resulting in yet another away win with our goalscoring hero being none other than Mr Morrison. Owen's surname on the scoresheet provoked that great debate once more – should or should he not invest in Bradford City. Yes, I'm talking about Sir Ken rather than our left winger. Well, for what its worth, and at the risk of being criticised by some I would just like to put forward my thoughts.

My view is that I do not see why Sir Ken should put one penny into Bradford City. He, like the rest of us has the choice of how to spend his money – his level of wealth is an irrelevance. Some comments that have been said about Sir Ken have been grossly unfair and I hope that he does not think ill of our club as a

consequence. Let's face it, you have to be a little bit daft to put money into a football club. Sir Ken's decision not to invest is probably one of the many reasons why he is very rich – whilst my decision to invest is why I'm now very skint!

A number of supporters have asked if any progress has been made with regards to the centenary book. Some have already paid for their copies and, quite rightly, they would like to know if there is a likely publication date. I met recently with the co-authors and we are hopeful that publication can be achieved in time for the start of next season. If this does not happen, for whatever reason, then I will be pleased to refund your pre-payments. Additionally, if anybody wants an immediate refund please write to the club and I will ensure that we honour your request.

One final point – congratulations to Dean Windass for finding the back of the net so many times this season. It is just a shame that Dean is not quite as good at hitting the target on the golf course. Honestly, when he putts it is almost as though the target is still eight yards wide! He was kind enough to challenge me to a round last year and to add a little spice we played for a few quid. It proved to be rather a profitable afternoon for me – just like taking candy from a baby. I hope his aim is equally askew this year when I attempt to win back his goalscoring bonus.

Enjoy the game – and thank you for your support.

*M Rhodes*



# Ticket Office



Bookings can be made by the following methods:

- ☐ Personal application to the Ticket Office which is open Monday to Friday 9.00am – 5.00pm, Matchday Saturdays 9.00am – kick off and for 15 minutes after the final whistle and on non-matchday Saturdays 9.00am – 12.00 noon. For midweek First Team games the Ticket Office will remain open until kick off.
- ☐ Online via the official club website – [www.bradfordcityfc.co.uk](http://www.bradfordcityfc.co.uk)
- ☐ By fax to Bradford (01274) 706822 quoting your name, address, daytime telephone number, full credit card details and seat requirements.
- ☐ By post enclosing remittance and stamped addressed envelope along with your ticket requirements and daytime telephone number. [Cheque payable to Bradford City Football Club Ltd]

Those supporters who book by Credit Card are advised that the card used for the booking has to be produced at the time of collection. On matchdays pre-paid tickets are available for collection from Ticket Office 'B' from 2 hours before the kick off.

Please note: In the Family Sections, adult tickets are only available when purchased with a junior ticket while junior tickets are only available when purchased with either adult or senior citizen tickets.

All online bookings made in the 96 hours prior to a game will be available for collection from the Ticket Office and will not be posted beforehand. The Credit Card used for booking the tickets has to be produced on collection.

In the event that the tickets ordered in your price range are not available, the club will substitute with the best tickets available.

This information applies to home games in the Coca-Cola Football League only. Separate information will be given for home ties in the FA Cup, Carling Cup, LDV Trophy ties and any friendly fixtures.

The club now operate a membership scheme for non season ticket holders who attend fixtures at Valley Parade.

The membership scheme will offer supporters 2nd tier priority to season ticket holders in the event of all ticket fixtures, away games and cup ties.

Application forms for free membership are available from the ticket office.

You will receive a personalised membership card, which will entitle you to buy 4 tickets for any HOME League fixture at the members rate, which is shown below, as long as they are purchased at least 3 hours before kick off.

## MATCHDAY ADMISSION PRICES

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FAMILY SECTION	£13	£15	£10	£12	£13	£15	£3	£5

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### Definitions:

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# City on the Road

**Tuesday 22 February 2005**  
**Coca-Cola Football League 1**  
**Blackpool vs Bradford City**  
**Kick Off: 7.45pm**  
**At Bloomfield Road**



Tickets for this game are now on sale from the Ticket Office at Valley Parade.

Admission: £14.00 adults, £10.00 senior citizens and £7.00 U18's.  
 (Bradford City have been allocated 1800 tickets)

Official coaches depart Midland Road at: 4.00pm  
 Fare: £11.00

Directions to Bloomfield Road:

From Bradford take M62 westbound to join M60 (Manchester Ring Road) signs Trafford Centre / Liverpool  
 Exit M60 at j15 to join M61  
 At end of M61 join M6 northbound  
 Exit M6 at j 32 to join M55  
 At end of M55 go straight over roundabout and follow signs for South Shore along Yeadon Way.  
 Stadium is on right.

**Mileage: 73**

**Saturday 26 February 2005**  
**Coca-Cola Football League 1**  
**Walsall vs Bradford City**  
**Kick Off: 3.00pm**  
**At the Bescot Stadium**



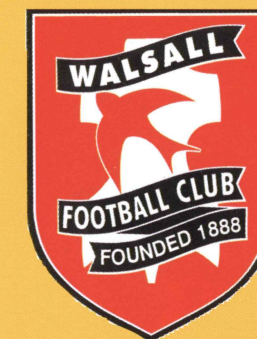
There is no advance booking for this game.  
 Please pay at turnstiles 21-28.  
 Admission: £17.00 adults, £12.00 concessions.

Official coaches depart Midland Road at: 11.00am  
 Fare: £13.00

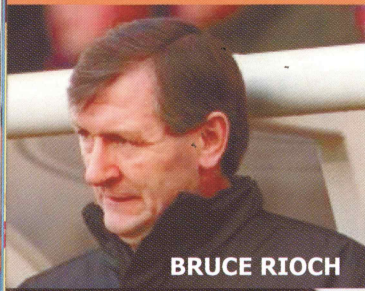
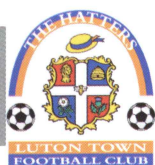
Directions to the Bescot Stadium:

From Bradford take the M62 westbound to join M60 (Manchester Ring Road) signs Trafford Centre / Liverpool  
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 Exit M6 at j9 and join A461 towards Walsall.  
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**Mileage: 124**



# Dream Team



BRUCE RIOCH



MICK HARFORD



MAL DONAGHY

**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,

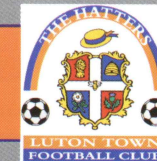
moving to West Ham for £525,000 in August 1991. Returning to Luton in November 1993, he netted six goals in 292 League games overall for the Hatters prior to joining Burnley in July 1999 and was an experienced figure in their 1999-2000 promotion success.

**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 skippered 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

# Dream Team



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.

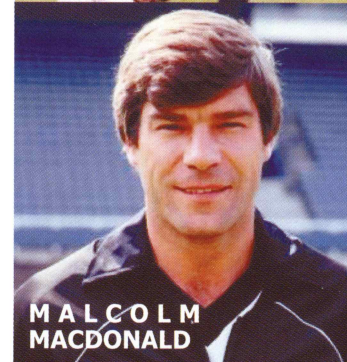
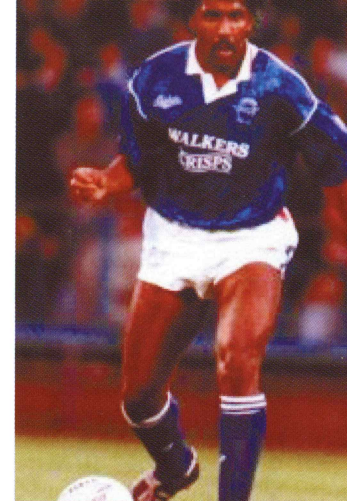
**MICK HARFORD:** England international striker who played for Luton Town in consecutive Littlewoods Cup finals including the

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.

RICKY HILL



MALCOLM MACDONALD

PAUL WALSH

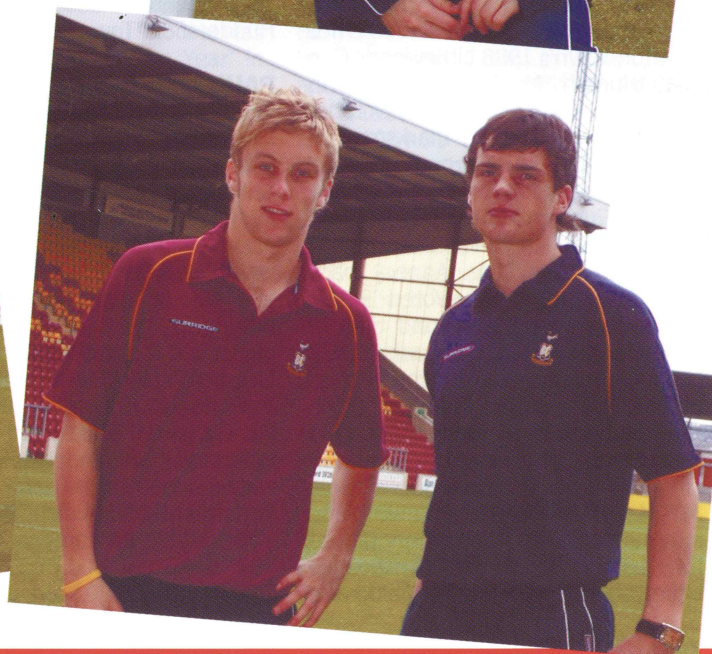


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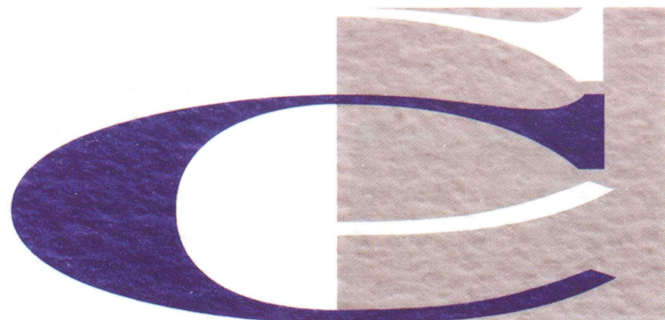
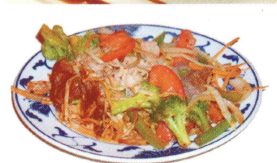
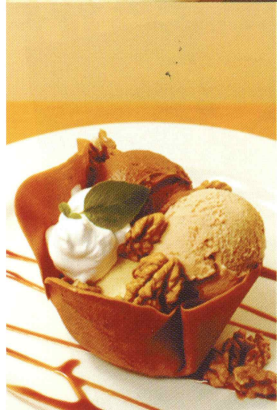
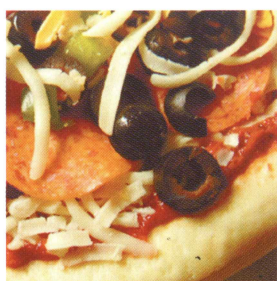
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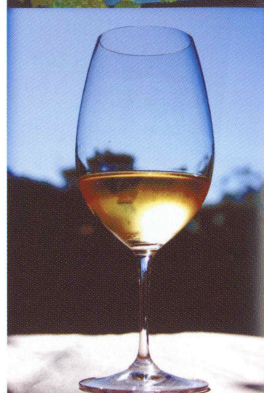
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## CENTRES REPORT

As I mentioned in recent programme notes, we are currently in the process of entering into a partnership with Park Lane College at Horsforth.

We feel very positive about this situation as not only does this add to our recruitment stream by tapping in to the college football programme it also enables us as a club to offer sixteen year old boys a sporting and educational pathway if they are unfortunate not to be offered a scholarship with Bradford City Football Club.

Jon Pepper has also negotiated that all the Park Lane scholars will wear Bradford City kit to play and train in thus making all their players feel they are positively linked in some way to Bradford City Football Club.

### Sporting Start at Park Lane College

Park Lane College will host a Sports Academy Open Evening at the Horsforth Centre on Thursday 3 March from 5.00pm – 7.00pm. Experts from the department, such as Anthony Gallagher, Programme Manager and fully qualified coach who has worked with professional clubs in the UK and USA, will be on hand to discuss sports opportunities at the College.

An exiting new course set to start in September 2005 has already gained much attention. The National Diploma in Sports Performance and Excellence / Rugby and Football is the first course of its kind in Leeds. Tuition will include training and coaching techniques, from a physiological and psychological perspective.

It is innovative courses such as these that have enabled the Sports Academy at Park Lane to go from strength to strength.

Park Lane student Patrece Liburd, 16, of Oakwood, recently signed an extended agreement committing him to play for Bradford City's Youth Team after impressing so much at a recent training session.

New changing rooms and an all-weather pitch are to be installed at the Horsforth Centre in Spring 2005.

Park Lane Main Site will host a General Open Night on Thursday 10 March from 5.00pm – 7.30pm where course tutors from most college faculties will be available to answer questions and departments will remain open for tours.

For further information on the Park Lane Sports Academy please telephone 0113 216 2206.

To finish off I am currently thinking ahead to next season and would be interested to hear from anybody with time on their hands who could commit to becoming a local junior scout for Bradford City. Ideally people with an understanding of junior football and/or with some coaching qualification (level 1 or above).

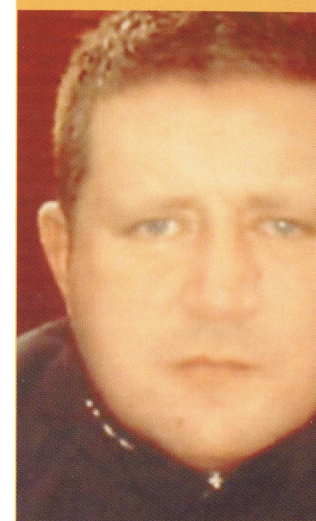
Having the time to commit to watching games on behalf of the club is essential. If you are interested please contact myself or Jonathan Pepper at the club.

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**BRADFORD CITY V LUTON TOWN**

**Full Time Result**

Bradford City	13/8
Draw	9/4
Luton Town	7/5

**Correct Score**

**Bradford City Win**

1-0	7/1
2-0	10/1
2-1	9/1
3-0	28/1
3-1	25/1
3-2	28/1
4-1	80/1
4-2	80/1

**Match Draw**

0-0	17/2
1-1	11/2
2-2	12/1
3-3	50/1

**Luton Town Win**

1-0	7/1
2-0	9/1
2-1	8/1
3-0	25/1
3-1	20/1
3-2	25/1
4-0	80/1
4-1	66/1
4-2	66/1

**Half Time/Full Time**

Bradford City - Bradford City	4/1
Bradford City - Draw	16/1
Bradford City - Luton Town	28/1
Draw - Bradford City	9/2
Draw - Draw	15/4
Draw - Luton Town	9/2
Luton Town - Bradford City	28/1
Luton Town - Draw	16/1
Luton Town - Luton Town	16/5

**Goalscorers**

Player	First	Last	Anytime
Dean Windass	11/2	11/2	6/4
Andy Cooke	7/1	7/1	15/8
Danny Forrest	8/1	8/1	9/4
Michael Symes	8/1	8/1	9/4
Steven Schumacher	10/1	10/1	11/4
Ben Muirhead	16/1	16/1	9/2
Owen Morrison	20/1	20/1	5/1

Nicky Summerbee	20/1	20/1	5/1
Mark Bower	28/1	28/1	8/1
Craig Armstrong	33/1	33/1	9/1
Peter Atherton	33/1	33/1	9/1
Lee Crooks	33/1	33/1	9/1
David Wetherall	33/1	33/1	9/1
Jason Gavin	40/1	40/1	12/1
Wayne Jacobs	40/1	40/1	12/1
Lewis Emanuel	50/1	50/1	14/1
No Goal Scorer	17/2		

**Winning Margin**

Bradford City to win by 1 goal	10/3
Bradford City to win by 2 or more goals	7/2
Luton Town to win by 1 goal	10/3
Luton Town to win by 2 or more goals	3/1
No score draw	17/2
Score Draw	7/2

**First Team To Score**

Bradford City	21/20
No Goals	17/2
Luton Town	10/11 Bet

**Match Specials**

No Half Measures - Bradford City To Win Both Halves	9/1
Hatters Can't Reply - Bradford City To Win To Nil	10/3
Half The Job Done - Bradford City To Win Either Half	5/6
3 Star Bantams - Bradford City To Score 3 Or More	13/2
Resurrection - Bradford City To Win From Behind	10/1
No Way Through - Bradford City To Keep A Clean Sheet	2/1
Two Easy For Windass - Dean Windass To Score 2 Or More Goals	6/1
Threezee Does It - Dean Windass To Score A Hat-trick	22/1
No Half Measures - Luton Town To Win Both Halves	15/2
Bantams Can't Reply - Luton Town To Win To Nil	11/4
Half The Job Done - Luton Town To Win Either Half	8/11
3 Star Hatters - Luton Town To Score 3 Or More	5/1
Resurrection - Luton Town To Win From Behind	10/1
No Way Through - Luton Town To Keep A Clean Sheet	7/4
Two Easy For Howard - Steve Howard To Score 2 Or More Goals	5/1
Threezee Does It - Steve Howard To Score A Hat-trick	20/1

**Half-Time**

Bradford City	21/10
Draw	11/10
Luton Town	19/10

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# Parklife

by Simon Parker



And still the home hoodoo goes on .. Everything has been blamed for City's horrendous run at Valley Parade. The crowd, the players, the clocks going back, even the pitch has come in for some stick for not having enough "life" in it.

So perhaps it's the turn of the clothes to come under the spotlight.

I'm not talking about Tim Thornton's dodgy monogrammed Pulse jacket but the change of home kit. Let's face facts, City still haven't won a home game since switching shirts earlier this season.

By my calculations, City first wore the new "half and half" claret and amber jerseys for the Colchester game - the one AFTER they had beaten Sheffield Wednesday. The score was a disappointing 2-2 and the standard had been set.

I don't need to remind anyone that City have not won a home game of any sort since the Wednesday success in October - wearing the previous shirt.

Clearly, we have discovered the true reason of this jinx .

Surely the run has to end sometimes and as any seasoned Bantams fan will tell you, it's bound to happen against one of the big boys.

Compare the home form against sides in the top half of the table with those in the bottom reaches.

MK Dons (and just mentioning that

name sends a shudder down the spine) were only the latest in a long line of "minnows" to emerge from Valley Parade with broad grins and a healthy points haul.

City have hosted five of the bottom six and not beaten any of them.

Stockport are still to come here but we know what happened the last time they arrived at Valley Parade in bottom spot. Just the 4-2 wasn't it?

Conversely, City have the habit of reserving their bigger performances for the bigger games. And none come bigger in League One this season than Luton.

I remember heading for Kenilworth Road full of hope on the back of those five straight October wins that powered City into second spot. Another victory that day would have brought them within one point of top spot.

Of course, it didn't happen and City were soundly beaten. But getting soundly beaten by a side as good as that is totally different to letting in another four at home to a Dons team who had lost their last nine trips away from the concrete cows.

So what a perfect occasion this afternoon to banish the memories of that previous home horror show.

And let's hope City can give short shrift to my shirt theory.



# Match Report



**Saturday 12 February 2005**  
**Coca-Cola Football League 1**  
**Sheffield Wednesday 1**  
**Bradford City 2**  
**Kick Off: 3.00pm**  
**at Hillsborough**

The City fans were in no doubt as they belted out the victory chorus from the Leppings Lane End.

"One team in Yorkshire, there's only one team in Yorkshire."

Six wins and a draw from the seven inter-county scuffles this season prove that their team are the top Tykes.

Saturday's hard-earned success at Hillsborough also demonstrated once again that there are two Bradford Cities.

"I think you've seen the best of us out there," said Colin Todd. "A lot of people saw the worst of us against MK Dons but that's football."

"A lot of people said our season was dead and buried after Tuesday. But as I've been telling the players, there's no better place to come and put the show back on the road than at Sheffield Wednesday."

The Owls were unbeaten in two months. City had not won since New Year's Day at Port Vale - only whipping boys Stockport had a worse record over the previous six games.

And they were coming off a home spanking from the worst travellers in the division.

But this is the Coca-Cola Football League One where form means absolutely nothing.

City's players had it all to prove after Tuesday and another defeat would

have seen the play-off dreams drift away further than ever.

So what a time for the Bantams to remind the doubters exactly what they are capable of.

Reputations were on the line, none more so than goalkeeper Paul Henderson after his uncharacteristic wobble in midweek.

Todd had pondered making a switch for Saturday and bringing in Donovan Ricketts.

But he opted to keep faith with the stopper who has hardly put a foot wrong before Tuesday. It was a powerful response all round. Andy Cooke gave his best display yet in a City shirt up front and his part in the winning goal should not be underestimated.

In midfield, Steve Schumacher's welcome return added zip and zest and brought legs to the piston-like work-rate of Lee Crooks.

And at the back, normal service was resumed with no hangovers from the uncertainties that had reared their head against the Dons.

The tone was set from the opening moments when Paul Tierney galloped down the left flank and caused panic with his cross.

Tierney, recalled at left back, looked sharp from the off and was involved in the move which produced the first goal on six minutes.

His pass from halfway picked out Dean Windass, one of five former Owls in the City line-up. The striker's control was superb as he lured in two defenders before slipping a pass out to

Nicky Summerbee, who drilled the ball first time across keeper David Lucas.

It was also the first time City had struck in the opening ten minutes since Zema Abbey's dramatic start at Brentford. And the performance that followed was arguably the best since that November win at Griffin Park.

Wednesday had their half-chances, with James Quinn jabbing wide from six yards, but City held the upper hand for 45 minutes.

And they could have had a second goal when Lewis Emanuel ripped past two tackles before whipping in a low ball which Lucas just managed to flick away from the sliding Windass.

He dropped back to defensive duties after the break as Tierney, who had hurt his hamstring in stoppage time, was unable to re-appear.

Ben Muirhead replaced him and could, maybe should, have been an instant hero. Racing on to Cooke's well-weighted flick, the winger's shot on the run flew the wrong side of the post by inches.

Wednesday survived and Chris Brunt's arrival from the bench gave them an extra attacking edge.

Henderson parried one skidding shot but had no chance from the free-kick after 70 minutes which led to the equaliser. Brunt's kick cannoned off the underside of the bar and bounced down and back out to where Steve MacLean was waiting to nod it past the grounded keeper.

Glenn Whelan lashed a cross-shot against the far post and David Wetherall's expertly nipped the ball away from MacLean as the supporters howled for a penalty.

Then Joey O'Brien bamboozled Muirhead to tee up Brunt, whose awful side-foot ended up nearer the corner flag than Henderson's goal.

With City on the back foot, Todd opted for a double switch and subbed the sub. Muirhead was replaced by Owen Morrison, with Craig Armstrong also joining him in place of the shattered Crooks.

The boo-boys were in their element when Morrison's first touch simply ran the ball out of play. They weren't crowing about his second, though.

With the game heading towards a draw, it should have been a routine clearance from Lee Bullen as Henderson's long kick descended in the Wednesday half.

But the Wednesday skipper tried to be clever and went to divert it back to his keeper. Cooke had read his intentions and blocked the way, laying it off to Windass, who set up Morrison to scuff the ball into the bottom corner.

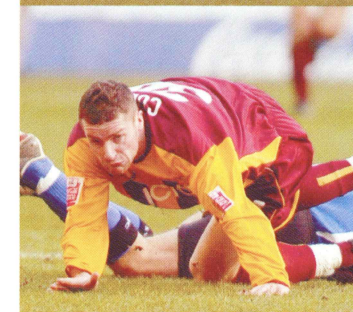
The Northern Irishman had made his point - and so had City.

Todd said: "I just felt it was slipping away from us so that's why I brought off Ben and put on Morrison. He could hold the ball for us and give a bit of breathing space and it was fitting that he got the goal."

"It's like Dean Windass has said in the dressing room. Our season starts all over now and we've got another big game next week against Luton that can't come quickly enough."

## Bradford City:

**Henderson, Wetherall, Bower, Summerbee, Atherton, Emanuel, Cooke, Schumacher, Tierney, Crooks, Windass.**  
**Subs: Ricketts, Armstrong, Muirhead, Morrison, Forrest.**





Good afternoon and welcome to this afternoon's game with leaders Luton Town.

Hopefully we can avenge our heavy defeat at Kenilworth Road earlier this season and also our last home loss against Milton Keynes.

Preparations for the game against the Dons were severely hampered on the day of the game when Steven Schumacher (pictured left) had to withdraw with a hamstring injury.

Thankfully though Steven recovered in time to take his place back in the starting line-up for our success last Saturday away at Sheffield Wednesday.

Whilst Steven has not trained too much in the early part of this week to help the soreness settle down somewhat, he should be fit for selection again today.

In the game at Hillsborough left back Paul Tierney strained a hamstring in the last minute of the first half but thankfully scans done on the Monday morning proved

only a minor injury. Hopefully Paul will be back training in a couple of weeks.

Thigh injury victim Darren Holloway has started some running work as part of his rehabilitation and is progressing well. With luck he too may be only a couple of weeks away from a return to the squad.

Things are also looking up for Tom Kearney who is back doing pitch work in the final stages of his rehabilitation and hopefully he will be returning to the squad sooner rather than later.

On the Youth front Tom Claisse has started to progress well following a long-term hip injury whilst Pat McGuire has missed the last week with a minor ankle injury.

The mumps outbreak amongst the Youth Team seems to have abated though at one time we had 5 suffering all at one time.



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# Fitness First

## League 1 attendances

## Cards

## Last 6 form guide

Club	Aggregate	Highest	Lowest	Average	Yellow	Red	Club	W	D	L	For	Agt	Pts	GI Diff	Sequence
Barnsley	168,048	19,659	8,453	10,503	48	4	Blackpool	4	1	1	8	5	13	3	WLDWWW
Blackpool	89,927	8,774	4,179	5,995	48	0	Brentford	4	1	1	8	5	13	3	LWWWDDW
Bournemouth	103,704	8,847	5,578	6,914	22	3	Hartlepool	4	1	1	12	5	13	7	DWWWWL
Bradford	133,779	13,717	6,409	8,361	56	4	Luton	3	3	0	9	4	12	5	WDDDWL
Brentford	89,024	6,722	4,643	5,564	44	4	Doncaster	3	1	2	6	4	10	2	WWWDDL
Bristol City	189,759	14,852	10,103	11,860	59	2	Swindon	3	1	2	10	8	10	2	LDLWWW
Chesterfield	79,348	7,158	3,966	4,959	45	5	Walsall	3	1	2	11	12	10	-1	WLLWDW
Colchester	55,836	4,309	2,616	3,490	38	2	MK Dons	3	1	2	10	6	10	4	WLDLWW
Doncaster	108,477	10,161	5,209	6,780	46	4	Port Vale	3	0	3	6	6	9	0	WLLLWW
Hartlepool	77,255	6,520	4,371	5,150	38	1	Sheff Wed	2	3	1	7	5	9	2	WDDDDL
Huddersfield	186,305	17,281	9,194	11,644	45	2	Torquay	2	3	1	9	8	9	1	DLDWDD
Hull	263,470	24,117	14,317	17,565	31	4	Tranmere	2	3	1	10	6	9	4	LWWDDW
Luton	125,223	9,500	6,603	7,826	50	2	Colchester	2	2	2	9	5	8	4	LDLWDD
MK Dons	73,929	7,620	3,015	4,621	48	1	Barnsley	1	4	1	10	9	7	1	WDDDDL
Oldham	90,278	8,389	5,066	6,019	53	1	Bradford	1	4	1	8	10	7	-2	DDDDLW
Peterborough	72,258	7,662	3,048	4,516	42	2	Chesterfield	2	1	3	7	11	7	-4	LLWDLW
Port Vale	78,298	8,671	3,872	5,220	34	3	Wrexham	1	4	1	10	12	7	-2	DLWDDD
Sheff Wed	365,810	28,701	18,465	22,863	38	1	Hull	1	3	2	7	7	6	0	WDLDDL
Stockport	83,548	7,473	3,850	5,222	51	1	Peterborough	1	3	2	9	11	6	-2	LDLDDL
Swindon	92,993	6,972	4,828	5,812	41	4	Bournemouth	1	2	3	11	11	5	0	DDLWL
Torquay	52,815	5,005	2,384	3,301	46	2	Bristol City	1	2	3	5	7	5	-2	WDLDDL
Tranmere	143,330	11,519	8,098	8,958	44	3	Huddersfield	1	2	3	11	14	5	-3	DLWLDD
Walsall	96,475	8,225	5,177	6,030	40	2	Oldham	1	1	4	4	11	4	-7	LDLWLL
Wrexham	77,357	7,833	3,009	4,835	45	3	Stockport	0	2	4	6	14	2	-8	LDLDDL

























Attendance and Cards stats are ordered alphabetically

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### Football League 1 top scorers

Scorer	Club	Lge	CC	FA LDV	Tot	Gms	Ave	Scorer	Club	Lge	CC	FA LDV	Tot	Gms	Ave		
Stuart Elliott	Hull	21	0	1	1	23	27	0.85	James Hayter	Bournemouth	14	3	0	0	17	31	0.55
Leroy Lita	Bristol City	15	2	1	2	20	39	0.51	Sam Parkin	Swindon	16	0	0	1	17	37	0.46
Pawel Abbott	Huddersfield	18	0	1	0	19	34	0.56	Steve MacLean	Sheff Wed	15	0	0	1	16	36	0.44
Adam Boyd	Hartlepool	14	1	3	1	19	39	0.49	Izale McLeod	MK Dons	13	2	0	0	15	36	0.42
Dean Windass	Bradford	17	1	0	0	18	29	0.62	Craig Fagan	Colchester	8	2	4	0	14	32	0.44
Steve Howard	Luton	14	0	4	0	18	30	0.60	Iain Hume	Tranmere	12	0	0	1	13	35	0.37

### Football League 1 results grid

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# Ben Muirhead

Ben Muirhead wants to be more than City's 20-minute man.

The super-fast winger is desperate to get back into the starting picture after a run of substitute appearances.

Muirhead has been making regular appearances from the bench since his last start against Bournemouth on December 7.

He found his way blocked by Owen Morrison's arrival and the presence of Paul Tierney and Craig Armstrong has increased competition for the left-midfield shirt.

Muirhead said: "It's always disappointing to be left on the bench. But at least I'm getting on and when I'm on the pitch there's the chance to win my place back.

"When I get 20 minutes here or there I'm desperate to do well and put it in the gaffer's thoughts to bring me back in."

Muirhead made 22 consecutive starts in the first half of the season - a decent run considering he had been released by the Bantams at the end of last term.

The 22-year-old former Manchester United trainee believes he has improved as a player compared with a year ago.

"Having not had a club during the summer, I felt the first half of the season went very well for me. It was great to be playing every match again.

"But maybe I got a bit tired after a while and had a little dip in form in the couple of games leading up to me being left out. Nobody's place is guaranteed.

"All I can do is stay confident and when I do get the chance, make sure I grab it with both hands.

"With Owen coming in and Paul Tierney as well, it has made it extra hard to get a place in the team.

But I know that given the opportunity, my ability can shine through.

"I've had a rest and now I'm raring to go again and help us to get back up the table.

"A lot of people were writing us off at the start of the season and we were favourites to go down. But we have the belief and spirit in the squad to go out there and do well."

There is no more exciting sight at Valley Parade than Muirhead motoring towards the opposing goal at full speed. No defender enjoys facing an attacker at full tilt.

And the player gets just as big a buzz from running with the ball as the City supporters.

"I am in the team to get the crowd going with the ball at my feet," he said.

"I want the crowd on their feet when I get the ball. I know I can do that when I run at defences."

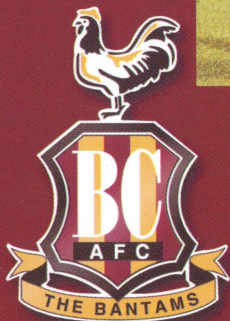
One surge and shot produced a cracking goal in

the 5-4 win at Tranmere in October - Muirhead's only goal of the campaign so far.

He would love to add to that. But his first goal is to make a fresh start.



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**BRISTOL CITY** player-boss Brian Tinnion will retire from playing at the end of this season. Tinnion, 36, will hang up his boots before then if the team start winning games without him being in the side. He said: "I never expected to play so many games this season when I took the manager's job. "I now want to concentrate fully on being a manager because it's a difficult enough job without having to play as well." Tinnion added: "A one-match ban rules me out of Saturday and if the team do well without me I shall not select myself again. "I hope that is the case and it's up to the other midfield players to ensure it is."

Sheffield United have agreed to extend striker Luke Beckett's loan spell at **HUDDERSFIELD TOWN** for another month. The 29-year-old has scored five times in five games for the Terriers. Huddersfield manager Peter Jackson said: "Sheffield have a 24-hour recall on him but I am happy and I thank them for their help. "Luke has been improving and scoring goals and it would surprise me if, when he does go back to Sheffield, he doesn't get into the first team."

**MK DONS** manager Danny Wilson reckons exciting times lie in store for the club if they can avoid relegation. The Coca-Cola Football League 1 side have won their last two games to move fourth bottom and Wilson said: "If we stay up the future will look far, far better. I think a lot of people raised their eyebrows when I first came down but there is a big catchment area and great potential here. But the priority at the moment is to stabilise and stay in this division." The Dons, in their previous incarnation as Wimbledon, left Selhurst Park for Milton Keynes in 2003, three years after slipping out of the Premier League. Relegation again last year has been followed by another fraught battle against the drop this season - as the newly-renamed MK Dons. When Wilson took over at the club on 7 December he became the third manager of the season after Stuart Murdoch and Jimmy Gilligan.

**BRENTFORD** manager Martin Allen says he has no plans to leave the club despite being approached by agents encouraging him to move on to a higher level. Allen has guided the Bees into the FA Cup fifth round and a play-off place in the Coca-Cola Football League One. "I have been an opportunity of making a career at Brentford," said Allen. "Agents call

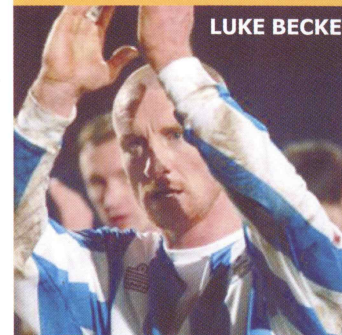
me up all the time saying you will go to the top but I am only concentrating on Brentford and have no intention of moving anywhere."

**CHESTERFIELD** manager Roy McFarland believes his side have to be viewed as serious play-off contenders. The Spirites are seven points away from sixth placed Brentford but have beaten Bristol City and Doncaster Rovers in their last two away games. McFarland said: "We've got to believe that we can make the Play-Offs and we all have that vision and are working toward it. Nobody in this division can say they have had an east game against us."

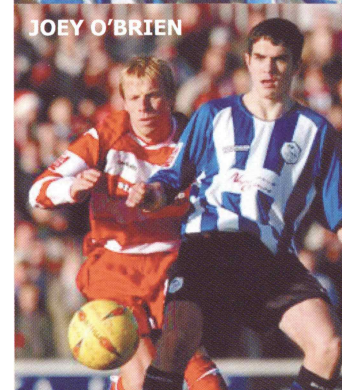
Like Bantams boss Colin Todd, **SWINDON TOWN** manager Andy King believes his club will suffer from the introduction of transfer windows to the Football League next season. King says smaller clubs like Swindon, who cannot afford huge squads, will not be able to sign replacements for injured players outside the window. "It's going to be a disadvantage unless we can find the resources to improve the squad," he said. "At the moment on the resources I'm working under, we can't do that." The system, which allows teams to sign players only during the summer break and in January, is already operating in the Premiership but it is due to come into force in the lower leagues next season.

**SHEFFIELD WEDNESDAY** have extended the loan spell of Bolton Wanderers midfielder Joey O'Brien for a third and final month. The Irishman had been due to return to the Reebok Stadium after the Owls' Yorkshire derby defeat by Bradford City at Hillsborough last Saturday. O'Brien will now remain with Wednesday until their trip to Brentford on 26 February, report the club's website. The 18-year-old has scored two goals in 12 appearances for the Yorkshire club.

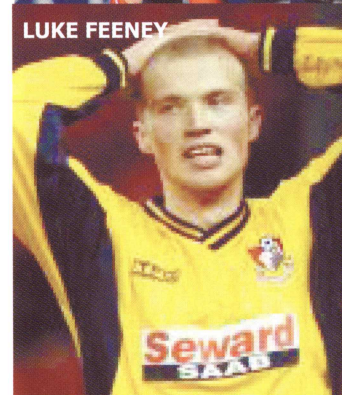
**BARNSELY** manager Paul Hart is mulling over a move for Stockport striker Warren Feeney. "It is true that I have spoken to Chris Turner about Warren Feeney," said Hart. "But at this stage there is nothing more to add." Feeney, who has three caps for Northern Ireland, joined the Hatters from Bournemouth for £45,000 in July 2004. The 24-year-old, who started at Leeds, has made 25 League appearances for Stockport, scoring eight goals.



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Season 2004/2005 as at 10th Feb. 2005

	Pld	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
1 Barnsley	14	8	3	3	27	16	27
2 Hull City	12	7	4	1	27	16	25
3 Stoke City	14	7	3	5	18	14	24
Sheffield Wednesday	15	7	1	6	24	21	22
5 Hartlepool United	15	6	4	5	21	20	22
6 Preston North End	13	7	1	5	21	24	22
7 Rotherham United	15	5	5	3	24	18	20
8 Sheffield United	14	5	4	6	26	29	19
9 Tranmere Rovers	14	5	2	7	14	18	17
10 Walsall	14	4	2	8	27	28	14
11 Wigan Athletic	15	3	3	9	13	24	12
12 Bradford City	14	2	4	8	14	28	10

### PONTIN'S HOLIDAYS LEAGUE PREMIER DIVISION FIXTURES 2004/2005

Date	vs	H/A	Kick Off Score	Venue Scorers
Tue Aug 17	Barnsley	H	0-1	
Wed Sep 1	Walsall	A	0-4	
Tue Sep 7	Sheffield Wednesday	H	1-4	Sanasy
Wed Sep 15	Sheffield United	A	2-1	Colbeck, Bentham
Wed Sep 22	Lincoln City (LC)	H	0-2	
Tue Oct 5	Preston North End	H	2-3	Crooks, Wright
Tue Oct 12	Hull City	H	0-1	
Wed Oct 27	Hartlepool United	A	0-0	
Mon Nov 15	Stoke City	A	0-4	
Tue Nov 23	Rotherham United	A	2-2	Symes, Sanasy
Tue Nov 30	Wigan Athletic	H	0-0	
Mon Dec 13	Preston North End	A	3-4	Sanasy 2, Bentham
Tue Jan 11	Sheffield United	H	1-1	Muirhead
Wed Jan 19	Sheffield United (LC)	A	1-2	Penford
Tue Jan 25	Hartlepool United	H	1-2	Clifford
Wed Feb 2	Hull City	A	2-1	Doherty, Ekoku
Wed Feb 16	Tranmere Rovers	A	2.00	Prenton Park
Tue Mar 1	Stoke City	H	2.00	Valley Parade
Wed Mar 9	Wigan Athletic	A	2.00	Robin Park Arena
Tue Mar 15	Tranmere Rovers	H	2.00	Valley Parade
Wed Mar 30	Barnsley	A	2.00	Oakwell
Wed Apr 6	Rotherham United	H	2.00	Valley Parade
Tue Apr 12	Walsall	H	2.00	Valley Parade
Wed Apr 27	Sheffield Wednesday	A	2.00	Stocksbridge Park Steels FC

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**Tuesday 25 January 2005**  
**Pontin's Holidays League**  
**Premier Division**  
**Bradford City 1 (Clifford)**  
**Hartlepool United 2**  
**(Wilkinson J, Fox)**  
**Kick Off: 2.00pm**  
**at Valley Parade**

After a quiet start the first chance fell to Owen Morrison after 15 minutes but the winger shot across goal after a 1-2 with Danny Ekoku.

Jack Wilkinson fired wide for Hartlepool before Craig Armstrong, playing his first game in a City shirt, tested away keeper James Winter from 20 yards.

Tom Penford should have scored from Kevin Sanasy's pull back in the 25th minute but shoveled the ball straight at Winter.

Hartlepool enjoyed a good spell of pressure as Phil Turnbull drifted a long-range effort over the bar and then Luke Richardson cleared a dangerous cross by Matthew Robinson under his own bar.

Sanasy forced a near post save from Winter and from Morrison's corner Ekoku smacked a volley against the bar.

Hartlepool immediately took advantage of that let off by taking the lead in the 39th minute. The flag stayed down as Jack Wilkinson went clear to beat Donovan Ricketts with a cool finish.

As half time approached Hartlepool right back Darren Craddock was booked for a

cynical foul on Liam Flynn.

City made two changes for the second half with Sean Clifford replacing Penford and Anthony Doherty coming on for Sanasy.

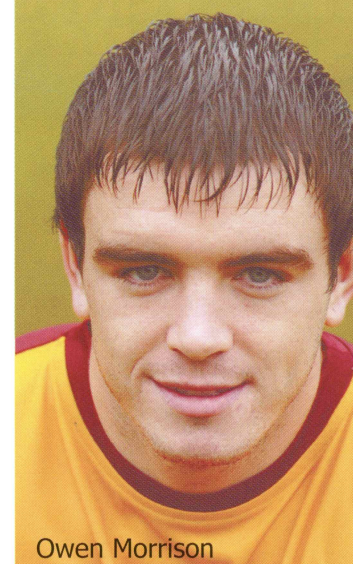
And within six minutes of the restart Clifford had fired them level with a thumping finish into the roof of the net from Armstrong's pass.

But within three minutes Hartlepool had regained their lead. Again the defending was sloppy as City allowed Danny Fox to tap in a low cross from Robson.

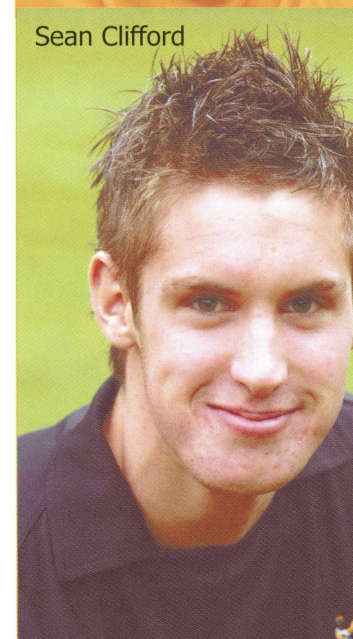
Ricketts prevented Hartlepool from scoring a third when late on he tipped over a fierce shot from Matty Robson.

**Bradford City:**  
**Ricketts, Aujla, Richardson, Penford (Clifford), Ellis, Wright, Morrison, Sanasy (Doherty), Ekoku, Armstrong, Flynn.**  
**Subs: Thackeray, Colbeck, McGuire.**

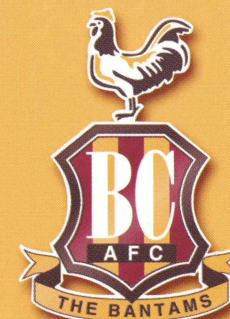
**Hartlepool United:**  
**Winter, Craddock, Brackstone, Fox, Barron, Low, Istead, Turnbull, Appleby (Foley), Wilkinson J, Robson.**  
**Subs: Wilkinson N, Davison, Maidens, Brown.**



Owen Morrison



Sean Clifford



## BRADFORD CITY FOOTBALL CLUB SPORTING DINNER



Former City favourite Don Goodman is Guest Speaker at the next Bradford City Football Club Sporting Dinner which is to be held in the Sunwin Stand Banqueting Suite at Valley Parade on Thursday 17 March 2005.

In a career spanning over 550 league appearances and netting nearly 200 goals, Don also enjoyed success with West Bromwich Albion, Sunderland, Wolves and Hiroshima, returning to the UK to play for Barnsley and Motherwell.

The comedian for the evening is well known funny man Billy Bean. Billy (pictured below) has been on the after dinner circuit for over 15 years and has worked alongside some of the sport's biggest name including Jack and Sir Bobby Charlton, Gary Lineker and George Best.



The evening kicks off at 7.00pm with pre-dinner drinks. Dinner is 8.00pm and the dress code is Lounge Suit.

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with Chris Cooper



This coming week sees the return of the Champions League and this time it gets really serious, with the commencement knockout stages. With all four English teams surviving the group stages, we have to have a great chance of further progress. It's certainly the priority now for Arsenal and Manchester United with the Premiership title all but out reach barring a Devon Loch style collapse by Chelsea. The round of 16 is seeded, and further manipulated so teams from the same country can't face each other, with it only becoming a total free for all in the quarter finals.

I'll be doing commentary with Alvin Martin on talkSPORT of the Arsenal and Chelsea away games this week, against Bayern Munich and Barcelona respectively. The Gunners ought to progress against the Germans, but they do appear to be the archetypal "flat-track bullies" Look at their recent demolition jobs against Villa and Palace, but compare those performances with that against United. They didn't win away from home in the group stages against Panathanaikos, Rosenborg or PSV, and it does seem when the pressure's on they crack. Chelsea are joint favorites to win the competition, but they're not the same side without Arjen Robben. Jose Mourinho said he hoped for a trip to the Nou Camp, but even his confidence may have been slightly dented.

That tie would have made for a cracking Final, likewise United's clash with AC Milan. United are in unbelievable form at the moment, and with Ruud Van Nistleroy, Alan Smith and Louis Saha back in the equation now can't be discounted. Fergie's got the sort of selection problems now that every manager craves, but he's got to consider whether to fix something that's not broken. Does he change his shape from a 4-3-3 to a 4-4-2 to accommodate Van Nistleroy and Rooney together, or continue with Rooney wide. Where then for Ryan Giggs? I think United at the moment are playing as well, if not better than at times during The Treble season, but equally there's more quality for them to come up against this time. When the draw was made, Liverpool seemed to be given the easiest tie of the English sides, against Bayer Leverkusen, who are 6th in the Bundesliga. However, given Liverpool's form of late, directly related to all their injuries, and the fact that Fernando Morientes is ineligible, I can now see the chance of a German double.

I hope not though, and will continue to fly the flag for all our teams. The dream would be all four into the semi-finals, but I think I'd offer odds against that rather than taking them. The further the teams go, the better for English football. I keep hearing about the Premiership being the best league in Europe, but in the last 20 years only United have brought the Cup back. That's something that could change this year.

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# Sales & Marketing

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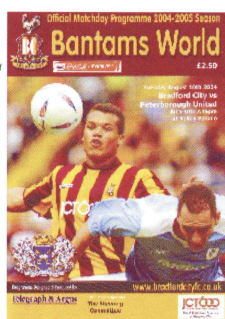


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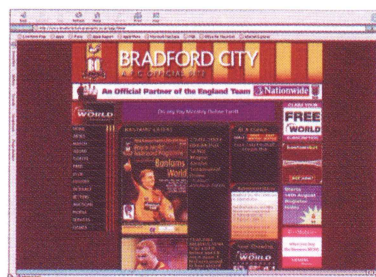
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**Our Mascots this afternoon are Bradley Gresham and Joey Hodgskiss.**

**Bradley is nine-years old and attends the Kirtby Malzeard School. His favourite player is Owen Morrison and his main hobby is football.**

**4-year old Joey is the Luton Town mascot attends the Netherthong J & I School. His favourite Hatters' player is Rowan Vine.**



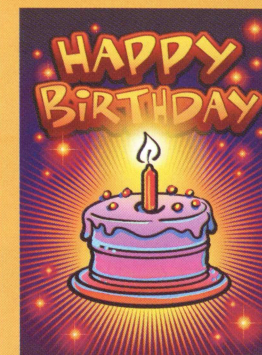
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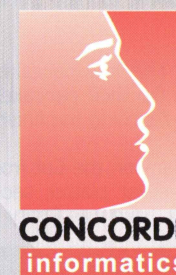
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## HAPPY BIRTHDAY

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### CITY GENT AND BILLY BANTAM GET THEIR CHIPS AT MCCAIN STADIUM

It was the strangest performance yet on the football pitch at the McCain Stadium in Scarborough for a hotly contested game which only had one winner - Comic Relief. Football mascots from around Yorkshire - including City Gent and Billy Bantam - were willing participants in a McCain Potato Products event to help publicise Comic Relief on a local level.

The mascots took part in a pancake race with a difference. While they had to flip their pancakes they had to negotiate six hurdles before reaching the finishing line.

The winner was Samson the Cat from Sunderland who was presented with a silver platter, second was Scarborough's Chippy the Seagull, third was Roary the Tiger from Hull.

The event was sponsored by McCain's who are also one of Comic Relief's major sponsors this year and they had their mascot 'Smiles' taking part too.

Jane White, McCain assistant Brand Communications Manager, said: "It was a fantastic day and the enthusiasm from the football mascots was very impressive. "They were committed and enjoyed every moment of their time on the pitch. It goes to show that they do have a serious side and are willing to help those less fortunate than themselves through Comic Relief."

Chippy the Seagull said: "We've all had a fantastic time for a good cause and I hope everyone gets behind Comic Relief this year. The race was hard work but all the mascots entered the spirit of the occasion and made it a day to remember."



# Famous Programmes

From Classic Games

A series by the Editor of Programme Monthly & Football Collectable magazine in which famous matches are remembered by their programmes, which remain popular with modern collectors.

**Scandinavia 2 (Peltonen, Bild) Rest of Europe 4 (Greaves 2, Law, Eusabio)**  
**Danish FA 75th Anniversary Match, Copenhagen, 20th May 1964**

**Scandinavia - Andersen ; J. Hansen, Rosander ; B. Hansen, Johansson, Heinonen, Jensen, Oberg, Madsen, Bild, Peltonen**  
**Rest of Europe - Yashin (USSR), Wilson (England), Bomba (Czechoslovakia) (sub Hamilton (Scotland)), Voronin (USSR), Popluhar (Czechoslovakia), Baxter (Scotland), Eusabio (Portugal), Greaves (England), Van Himst (Belgium), Law (Scotland), Charlton (England)**

**Referee - Leo Horn, Holland**  
**Attendance - 45,000**

#### The Match

In the days before players earned tens of thousands of pounds a week, and could expect to play upwards of a dozen Champions League matches each season, selection for infrequent European or World Selects was regarded as being a particular honour.

There were no phantom injuries or cash demands when UEFA or FIFA asked if you would like to play in a match to celebrate some anniversary - the chance to play with and against the best players in the world was incentive enough to make the trip abroad.

A year after the Football Association celebrated their Centenary in Scotland, the Danish Football Association celebrated their 75th anniversary, and arranged a match between Scandinavia and the Rest of Europe. It is fascinating to look back on the players selected for the game, and to see how familiar faces in British football were regarded on the Continent.

The British Isles were well represented. Ray Wilson of Huddersfield Town, Jimmy Greaves of Spurs and Bobby Charlton of Manchester United were the Englishmen selected. There were four from Scotland - Jim Baxter (Rangers), Denis Law (Manchester United), Dundee full back Alex Hamilton who came on as a substitute, and Willie Henderson of Rangers who was one of the reserves.

Others selected for the squad, who did not play, were Hans Tilkowski of West Germany,

Gelata of Czechoslovakia, and Augusto of Portugal. The Scandinavian select included Norwegian Roald Jensen, who later joined Hearts, and in reserve was the Dane Carl Bertelsen who signed for Morton.

The list of goalscorers has those who remember them drooling at the sheer quality on view that evening - Jimmy Greaves, Denis Law and Eusabio.

#### The Programme

The Dansk Boldspil-Union issued their usual 16 page A5 size programme, featuring a sculpture of two footballers on the cover, a design that was to feature on most of their programmes for a number of years.

Page three contained an article on the last 25 years of the Danish Football Association, opposite a half page advert and a list of F.A. officials. The article continued onto page 4, where it was illustrated with a photo of Benfica's Eusabio in action against Sporting Lisbon.

Two pages of pen pictures of the Scandinavian squad were followed by the evening's Programme of Events. The centre fold featured team selections, in 2-3-5 formation, with head-only photos of the 22 players and 3 match officials. The top and bottom of the centre spread featured a curious design, of many sets of cartoon eyeballs on a brown background.

There were two-and-a-half pages of pen pictures of the Rest of Europe squad, and another half page advertisement. Page 13 carried head-only photographs of the remaining players in both squads, and what seemed to be a list of internationals played by Denmark since 1906.

An aerial photograph of the Idraetsparken was accompanied by some text, and what appears to be a short poem. The only full page advert in the programme was on the inside back page, for the B.T. newspaper, and the back page featured another poem, the crest of the Danish Football Association, a lucky programme number, and the price - 1 Kroner. Upwards of £5 would buy this programme on dealers' catalogues.

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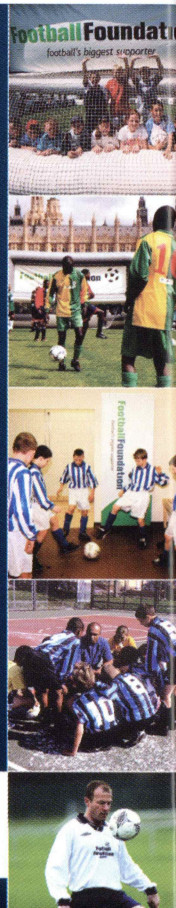
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## WEAR IT WITH PRIDE by Derm Tanner

Have you noticed how many athletes, and I use that term in its widest term, have been wearing bracelets recently? The first to be exhibited was the yellow live strong band, part of the Lance Armstrong foundation. Armstrong of course overcame cancer to compete and be a champion once again in cycling's most gruelling test, the Tour de France.

Then came the beat bullying blue bands as sported by Wayne Rooney and others. But the awareness has been ratcheted up another notch or two with Nike's campaign last week to clothe three separate countries in a black and white anti racism kit on the same night.

England faced Holland wearing such a kit and it immediately drew implied criticisms from Gary Neville. He voiced concerned over the corporate PR 'Stand Up, Speak Up' campaign. 'We have to make sure that the campaign is conducted in the right manner and not just done for PR', he said.

Is he right to be so fearful? Or should he not be satisfied that when a company like Nike takes up the banner, it makes sure it's waved very vigorously. Isn't this just the sort of profile the issue needs? The fact that several national newspapers concentrated on the topic alongside the match coverage, is evidence enough that the decision was correct to go with Nike. Let's face it; the match itself was a complete waste of time.

If fashion can help spark talk about racism and how to stop it, then that's OK isn't it? What does it matter that for some the bands themselves are important and not what they represent. As long as it gets debate going at some level then it has all been worth it.

That said I could not believe it when I saw a blue band going for sale on e-bay for 99p. What is that all about?

We know that racism still exists in sport at some levels. We all heard the chants in Madrid. We saw those sickening pictures from Ewood Park directed at Dwight Yorke. I know wearing a black and white intertwined wrist band isn't going to stop some mindless thug from throwing racist abuse, but it might just stop those seated or standing nearby laughing.



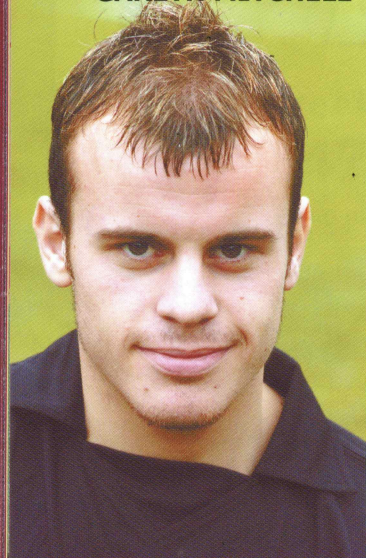
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# Youth Team

GARETH MITCHELL



**Saturday 29 January 2005**  
**Football League Youth Alliance**  
**Boston United 1**  
**Bradford City 3 (Mitchell G 2, McGuire)**

Our game away at Boston United was our final North East Conference fixture before starting the Merit Division series.

We were hoping to complete the double on our opponents having had to leave the longest trip of the season to last.

We began the game at a blistering pace and dominated proceedings only to be denied a healthy lead by wayward shooting and brilliant goalkeeping by the home custodian.

Gareth Mitchell should have opened his account in the sixth minute when he shot straight at the keeper and should have done much better soon after when he failed to connect properly with a Joe Brown cross. Brown himself was having a fine game on the right.

Trialist Emille Sinclair should have done better when getting clear through the middle only to shoot wide.

However Boston keeper kept them in the game with great saves from Patrick McGuire and a pile driver from Luke O'Brien.

It was no surprise when we did eventually take the lead when Joe Brown slid a ball through to Gareth



Mitchell who evaded a lunge and finished from 12-yards with a low right foot shot.

We should have been at least 5-0 up at this time and we were made to pay dearly when Inderjeet Aujla and Paul Denvers got in a mix-up which allowed Boston to equalise with a shot in off the post.

But we knuckled down and quickly regained our lead when Gareth Mitchell once again finished excellently from 15-yards.

We went in at half-time 2-1 up where on fair reflection of play it could well have been 7-1 with better finishing.

Play resumed with us creating chance after chance but we had to wait until the 75<sup>th</sup> minute for Patrick McGuire to tap in after a flowing move which involved Byron Littlefair, Joe Brown and Gareth Mitchell.

This was an excellent performance all round from the boys and bodes well for the new campaign in the Merit Division.

**Bradford City:**  
**Thackeray, Aujla, O'Brien,**  
**Littlefair, Denvers, Ainge,**  
**Brown, McGuire, Mitchell G,**  
**Sinclair, Ratcliffe.**  
**Subs: McAllion, Thornton,**  
**Lund.**

## MERIT DIVISION THREE NORTH

	Pld	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
1 Preston North End	1	1	0	0	4	1	3
2 Shrewsbury Town	1	1	0	0	3	0	3
3 Rochdale	1	1	0	0	3	0	3
4 Carlisle United	1	1	0	0	2	1	3
5 Bradford City	1	0	0	1	1	2	0
6 Lincoln City	1	0	0	1	1	3	0
7 Notts County	1	0	0	1	1	4	0
8 Wrexham	1	0	0	1	0	3	0
9 Boston United	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

## Football League Youth Alliance - North East Conference

### Season 2004/2005 Final Table

	Pld	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
1 Darlington	18	13	4	1	37	14	43
2 Hartlepool United	18	11	2	5	64	35	35
3 Scunthorpe United	18	10	4	4	39	24	34
4 Doncaster Rovers	18	9	6	3	42	28	33
5 Grimsby Town	18	10	2	6	32	27	32
6 Hull City	18	6	4	8	31	35	22
7 York City	18	5	2	11	19	31	17
8 Lincoln City	18	4	5	9	23	38	17
9 Bradford City	18	4	3	11	23	39	15
10 Boston United	18	1	2	15	19	58	5

### FIXTURES 2004/2005 North East Conference

Sat 14 Aug	Scunthorpe United	h	2-1	Littlefair, Denton
Sat 21 Aug	Darlington	a	0-1	
Sat 04 Sep	Boston United	h	2-1	Doherty 2
Sat 11 Sep	Hartlepool United	a	1-3	Ekoku
Sat 18 Sep	Hull City	h	1-1	Ekoku
Sat 25 Sep	Lincoln City	a	0-3	
Sat 02 Oct	Rotherham United (LC1)	a	1-3	Ellis
Sat 09 Oct	Grimsby Town	h	0-1	
Sat 16 Oct	York City	h	1-1	Brown
Sat 23 Oct	Doncaster Rovers	a	1-2	Claisse
Sat 30 Oct	Hartlepool United	h	2-7	Ainge, Clifford
Wed 3 Nov	Burscough (FAYC1)	h	2-3*	Mitchell, Clifford
Sat 06 Nov	Hull City	a	2-3	Clifford, Ratcliffe
Sat 13 Nov	Lincoln City	h	2-3	Clifford, Denvers
Sat 20 Nov	Grimsby Town	a	0-2	
Sat 04 Dec	York City	a	1-0	Ekoku
Sat 11 Dec	Doncaster Rovers	h	1-4	Ratcliffe
Sat 18 Dec	Scunthorpe United	a	3-4	Clifford, Thornton, Denton
Sat 15 Jan	Darlington	h	1-1	Doherty
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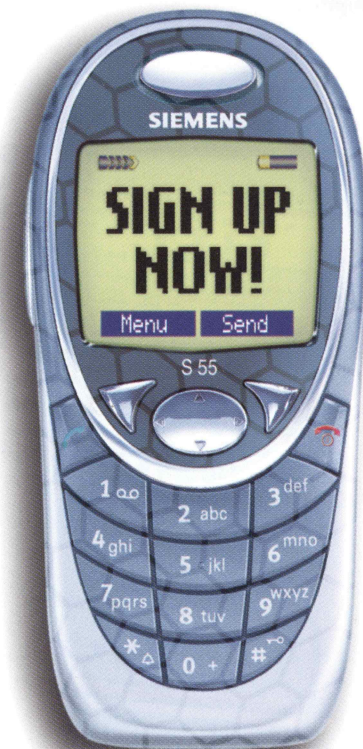
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# Previous Encounters



Good afternoon and welcome to Luton Town. It is over thirty years since Luton visited Valley Parade for a league match, but they have made two visits in cup competitions during that time. The Hatters beat us here in the F A Cup last year 2-1. In 1990-91 we were drawn together in the then Rumbelows Cup, following 1-1 draws both at Kenilworth Road and here, City won a thrilling penalty shoot out 5-4. John Dreyer was on target for Luton, but the only player to miss his spot kick was current Crystal Palace manager Iain Dowie.

Looking back as far as the 1967-68 season when both clubs were members of the plainly named Fourth Division. Luton Town were clearly the best team in the division and won the Championship with points to spare. They finished five points clear of Barnsley, but did lose two of their last three matches. Barnsley won six of their last seven games giving some idea of what the points difference might have been. For City this would be a nearly season. They certainly played their part in a thrilling league season. They led the table for a spell in October and then January. They had to overcome the shock resignation of manager Willie Watson when we were top of the table in January 1968, then the sudden and tragic death of their newly appointed manager, Grenville Hair at the ridiculously early age of 36 in March. To finish fifth I suppose was a reasonable return. Two points prevented them procuring promotion. If only they had defeated Bradford Park Avenue or Halifax Town or Brentford all of whom won at Valley Parade during February and March. When Luton came to Valley Parade on Saturday December 2<sup>nd</sup> 1967, they were third in the table with City fourth with an equal number of points as

Luton (28). City were unbeaten in nine home matches and unbeaten in three in all. Luton had won their previous eight games. Luton included Bruce Rioch, a former Derbyshire cricketer in Ian Buxton and their goalkeeper Tony Read had earlier played at Valley Parade as an inside forward. The match produced an exciting tussle with City pretty much holding the upper hand. City took an all important early lead when Paul Aimson scored following a defensive mix up after only nine minutes. Luton were second best during the first half and were a little fortunate to be only one goal down at the break. City began the second half as they did the first. In the 47<sup>th</sup> minute Charlie Rackstraw's shot at goal rebounded from Bruce Bannister, fortunately it rebounded straight back to Rackstraw who then drove it into the net. As the game wore on Luton got back into the game and showed their best form. Debutant Hugh McLeish hit a post and that was the nearest Luton came to scoring. The final whistle blew with City leading 2-0. The teams for this fixture were.

**Bradford City: Pat Liney, Alec Smith, Ian Cooper, Bruce Stowell, Tom Hallett, Barry Swallow, John Hall, Bruce Bannister, Paul Aimson, Ken Leek and Charlie Rackstraw. Substitute: Wilf Shergold.**

**Luton Town: Tony Read, Max Dougan, Freddie Jardine, Alan Slough, Terry Branston, John Moore, Graham French, Ian Buxton, Hugh McLeish, Bruce Rioch and Ray Whittaker. Substitute: Billy McDerment.**

By the time City visited Kenilworth Road on Saturday April 27<sup>th</sup> 1968 the Championship had been sealed by Luton. They had clinched the title the previous Wednesday evening fittingly at Kenilworth

# Previous Encounters

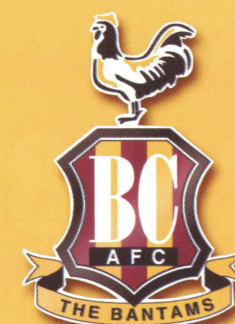
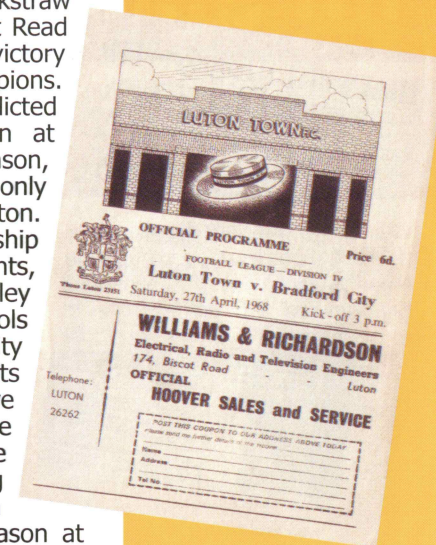
Road, when they defeated Crewe 4-0. Of their 21 league matches at home they had won 18 previously and were eight points ahead of nearest contenders Barnsley. Their form was awesome their last defeat had been suffered in January at Hartlepoons. Since then they had played nineteen matches without defeat. Our own form wasn't bad at all, suffering only one defeat at Rochdale (3-2) in the last nine games. The Luton programme rightly had items from the club itself and their supporters club, congratulating the team on their magnificent performance over the season. The programme notes in previewing the City match reflected that of Luton's five defeats that season two had occurred in Bradford with Park Avenue also beating them in a stirring 2-1 victory in December. Once again City got the best of starts with recent signing Bobby Ham scoring after 11 minutes. Luton were stung into action but spirited defending and some sound goalkeeping kept City ahead at half time. City were forced back onto the defensive after the break and Luton gained a break through when they were awarded a penalty on the hour. Winger Ray Whittaker converted the spot kick to level the scores. City who were fourth in the table and needed a win to stay clear of Hartlepoons who had two games in hand on them, poured forward again. They regained the lead in the 73<sup>rd</sup> minute when centre back Barry Swallow towered above the home defence to score with a header. This time the defending was more dogged than previously as City fought to retain their tenuous lead. In the dying seconds referee David Wallace once again pointed to the penalty spot, but this time it was awarded to City. The result was almost a certainty given Charlie Rackstraw's track record from twelve yards. Despite

any tension present Rackstraw calmly placed the ball past Read and City celebrated a 3-1 victory against the League Champions. Not only that, they inflicted the only defeat of Luton at Kenilworth Road that season, they also completed the only double recorded against Luton. Luton won the Championship with a massive 66 points, also promoted were Barnsley (61 points), Hartlepoons (60) and Crewe (58). City finished fifth with 57 points which would ordinarily have been sufficient to ensure promotion. City were promoted the following season so caught up with Luton for the 1969-70 season at the completion of which Luton once again achieved a promotion. The two teams have managed to avoid each other since. The teams for the Kenilworth Road clash were.

**Luton Town: Tony Read, Max Dougan, Freddie Jardine, Alan Slough, Terry Branston, John Moore, Graham French, Ian Buxton, Keith Allen, Bruce Rioch and Ray Whittaker. Substitute: Billy McDerment.**

**Bradford City: Pat Liney, Denis Atkins, Ian Cooper, Bruce Stowell, Tom Hallett, Barry Swallow, John Hall, Bobby Ham, Tony Leighton, Charlie Rackstraw and Bruce Walker. Substitute Bruce Bannister replaced Cooper.**

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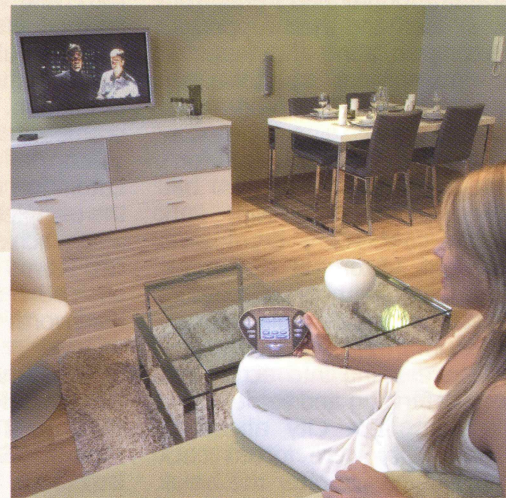
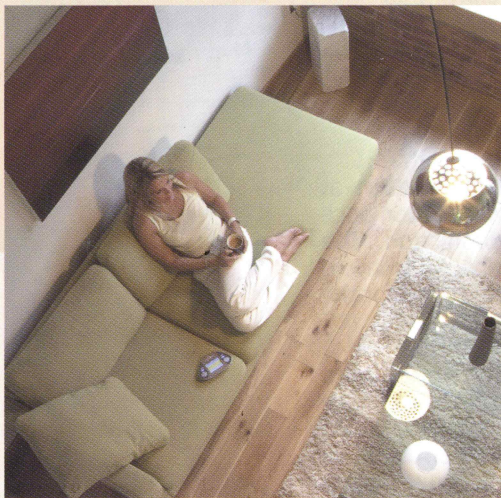


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Colin Todd quite rightly proclaimed after the win last week that the season was 'back on track'. To win it in the final minute was fantastic and it went a long way to making up for the midweek defeat against MK Dons. It was City's first win at Hillsborough since 1913 and for Owen Morrison to score the winner on his old stomping ground made it even sweeter.

City finished the game against the Owls with five former Wednesday players on the field, so there was a decent chance that if City were to snatch a winner, then it would be a former Wednesday player who would get it. But Morrison had only

been on the field a few minutes and it is uncanny how often players pop up and score against their former clubs.

The league leaders Luton provide the opposition this afternoon and they are the only side this season that have really given us a good beating. They were full value for their 4-0 win back in October and we will need to be at our best to get a result today. Luton were top of the table and City were back in second place when we met at Kenilworth Road. While Luton have maintained their position City have slipped since then but we are still well placed in the league to make a strong challenge for a Play-Off place.

It goes without saying that we need to start winning at home if we are to make the Play-Offs. But our next two home games are just the type of fixtures that will bring the best out of the players. Three points today will set us up nicely for Tuesday night's trip to Blackpool; a ground that brings

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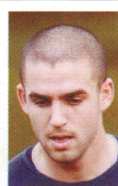
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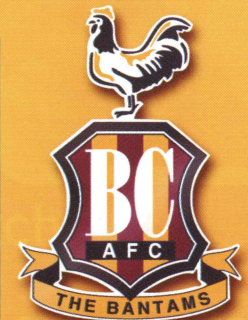
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Luton have had a superb season so far with Mike Newell doing a great job for his club.

Luton played us off the park at Kenilworth Road back in October thumping us 4-0 and we will certainly be looking for a reversal today. Last week Luton scored in the final minute of the game in the top-of-the-table clash with Hull City so no doubt their confidence will be sky high.

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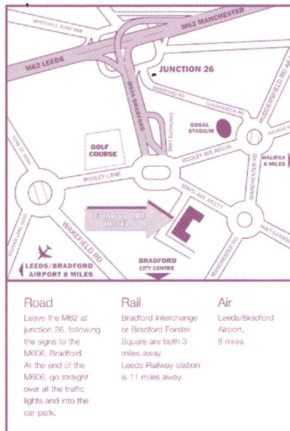


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## Benno

Is England Coach Sven Goran Eriksson getting too big for his boots in trying to change our national game?

I believe he has far too much to say about the way English football is organised and controlled and that it is about time he put a sock in it and stopped trying to interfere with traditions that have stood the test of time.

The Swede has been desperately striving to persuade the Premier League to introduce a mid-season shut down to give his England players a rest.

He wants our treasured FA Cup competition reduced by eliminating replays in the latter stages of the competition and the suggestion to stage the Cup Final in midweek stems from his proposals to give his players a four-week break before the World Cup Finals.

Instead of interfering with our traditions what he should be concentrating on is fashioning a team that is good enough to qualify for those finals and then make an impression in them and in this department he hasn't done that brilliantly so far.

Yet he continues to interfere in domestic issues his latest being comments on the controversy between Arsenal and Chelsea over the alleged tapping-up of the Gunners and England left-back Ashley Cole.

On the Cole situation Eriksson had this to say: "As a professional football player, it must be your right to listen if there are some other works available. We don't live in a dictatorship we live in a democratic country."

What about loyalty?

"Loyalty, yes, is important, but contracts end and that's life," responded the England Coach. "Normally it's not a problem."

Not for him of course but then I suppose such a view is to be expected from a man who himself while employed by the FA had "social" meetings with Roman Abramovich and Peter Kenyon – Chelsea's chief executive – when the Stamford Bridge club were looking to oust Claudio Ranieri from the managerial seat.

No doubt Eriksson will not have endeared himself to the Arsenal hierarchy, which of course includes Vice Chairman David Dein, an influential figure within the FA. Not only is it wrong for the England Coach to comment publicly on internal matters between clubs but it is downright crass

stupidity and ignorance to flagrantly support someone breaking the rules.

The Premier League has made it quite clear. A spokesman said: "A professional footballer under contract does not have the right to speak to another club without the permission of his current employers. The Premier League rules are clear on that."

In Ashley Cole's case of course he still has two-and-a-half years left on his contract with Arsenal so if the allegations are correct it is far more serious than just testing the waters with a player nearing the end of his agreement.

There is an ongoing enquiry into this affair so was Eriksson trying to pre-empt its investigation and help his friend Kenyon out of a hole?

When challenged on BBC Radio Five Live about a meeting with Cole, Kenyon answered the question with a "no comment" reply which gives one the impression that there had been such a meeting for if untrue he surely would have categorically denied the accusation out of hand.

Whatever the England Coach's motive is in getting involved it is my humble opinion that Eriksson carries too much unsavoury baggage to make him worthy of the office of England Coach.

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### HOW MUCH is a KitKat worth these days?

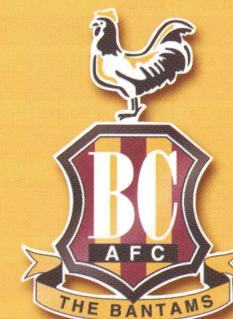
If you are York City Football Club quite a bit for the 'Minstermen' who finished last season bottom of the entire Football League and were consequently relegated to the Nationwide Conference have done a sponsorship deal with Nestle Rowntree who produce the popular chocolate biscuit bars in their York factory.

The sponsorship package involves York City renaming their Bootham Crescent ground KitKat Crescent so if ever you feel the need to have a break from Championship football you now know where to go.

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# 2004-2005 Statistics

PLAYER SUBSTITUTED	SUBSTITUTE USED	SCORER	SENT OFF	OWN GOAL	*AFTER EXTRA TIME
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Sat Aug 7	Hartlepool United	A	1-2	Victoria Park	6,032	TURNBULL	WETHERALL	BOWER	SCHUMACHER	SYMES	SUMMERBEE	WINDASS	CROOKS	HOLLOWAY	EMANUEL	JACOBS	ATHERTON	KEARNEY	MUIRHEAD	SANASY	PENFORD
Tue Aug 10	Peterborough United	H	2-2	Valley Parade	6,929	TURNBULL	WETHERALL	BOWER	SCHUMACHER	SYMES	SUMMERBEE	WINDASS	CROOKS	HOLLOWAY	MUIRHEAD	JACOBS	ATHERTON	KEARNEY	FLYNN	SANASY	PENFORD
Sat Aug 14	Doncaster Rovers	H	2-0	Valley Parade	10,444	HENDERSON	WETHERALL	BOWER	SCHUMACHER	ADEBOLA	SUMMERBEE	WINDASS	CROOKS	HOLLOWAY	MUIRHEAD	JACOBS	ATHERTON	TURNBULL	SYMES	SANASY	PENFORD
Sat Aug 21	Stockport County	A	1-0	Edgeley Park	5,338	HENDERSON	WETHERALL	BOWER	SCHUMACHER	ADEBOLA	SUMMERBEE	WINDASS	CROOKS	HOLLOWAY	MUIRHEAD	EMANUEL	RICHARDSON	RICKETTS	SYMES	GAVIN	PENFORD
Wed Aug 25	Notts County (Carling Cup 1)	H	1-2*	Valley Parade	3,517	HENDERSON	GAVIN	BOWER	SCHUMACHER	SYMES	SUMMERBEE	WINDASS	CROOKS	HOLLOWAY	MUIRHEAD	EMANUEL	RICHARDSON	RICKETTS	COLBECK	SANASY	PENFORD
Sat Aug 28	Chesterfield	H	2-3	Valley Parade	7,590	HENDERSON	WETHERALL	BOWER	SCHUMACHER	ADEBOLA	KEARNEY	WINDASS	JACOBS	HOLLOWAY	MUIRHEAD	EMANUEL	SUMMERBEE	RICKETTS	GAVIN	SYMES	PENFORD
Tue Aug 31	Hull City <b>SKY SPORTS</b>	A	1-0	Kingston Communications Stadium	16,865	HENDERSON	WETHERALL	BOWER	CROOKS	ADEBOLA	KEARNEY	WINDASS	JACOBS	HOLLOWAY	MUIRHEAD	EMANUEL	SUMMERBEE	RICKETTS	GAVIN	SYMES	PENFORD
Sat Sep 4	Port Vale	H	0-2	Valley Parade	7,043	HENDERSON	WETHERALL	BOWER	CROOKS	ADEBOLA	KEARNEY	WINDASS	JACOBS	HOLLOWAY	MUIRHEAD	EMANUEL	SUMMERBEE	SCHUMACHER	GAVIN	SYMES	PENFORD
Sat Sep 11	Wrexham	A	0-1	Racecourse Ground	3,712	HENDERSON	WETHERALL	BOWER	CROOKS	ADEBOLA	KEARNEY	WINDASS	JACOBS	HOLLOWAY	MUIRHEAD	SCHUMACHER	EMANUEL	RICKETTS	GAVIN	SYMES	SWIFT
Sat Sep 18	Bristol City	H	4-1	Valley Parade	7,235	HENDERSON	WETHERALL	BOWER	SUMMERBEE	ADEBOLA	KEARNEY	ROBERTS	JACOBS	HOLLOWAY	MUIRHEAD	SCHUMACHER	EMANUEL	SANASY	GAVIN	SYMES	BENTHAM
Sat Sep 25	Swindon Town	A	0-1	County Ground	5,189	HENDERSON	WETHERALL	BOWER	SUMMERBEE	ADEBOLA	KEARNEY	ROBERTS	JACOBS	HOLLOWAY	MUIRHEAD	SCHUMACHER	EMANUEL	WINDASS	GAVIN	SYMES	CROOKS
Wed Sep 29	Accrington Stanley (LDV1)	H	1-2	Valley Parade	1,868	HENDERSON	DENTON	BOWER	EMANUEL	ADEBOLA	CROOKS	ROBERTS	GAVIN	WINDASS	MUIRHEAD	SCHUMACHER	BENTHAM	FORREST	PENFORD	SYMES	KEARNEY
Sat Oct 2	Barnsley	H	1-0	Valley Parade	8,715	HENDERSON	WETHERALL	BOWER	SUMMERBEE	WINDASS	KEARNEY	ADEBOLA	JACOBS	HOLLOWAY	MUIRHEAD	SCHUMACHER	ADEBOLA	RICKETTS	GAVIN	SYMES	CROOKS
Fri Oct 8	Milton Keynes Dons	A	2-1	National Hockey Stadium	4,532	HENDERSON	WETHERALL	BOWER	SUMMERBEE	WINDASS	KEARNEY	ADEBOLA	JACOBS	HOLLOWAY	MUIRHEAD	SCHUMACHER	PENFORD	EMANUEL	GAVIN	SYMES	BENTHAM
Sat Oct 16	Tranmere Rovers	A	5-4	Prenton Park	8,901	HENDERSON	WETHERALL	BOWER	SUMMERBEE	WINDASS	KEARNEY	ADEBOLA	EMANUEL	HOLLOWAY	MUIRHEAD	SCHUMACHER	PENFORD	CROOKS	GAVIN	SYMES	BENTHAM
Tue Oct 19	Blackpool	H	2-1	Valley Parade	7,622	HENDERSON	WETHERALL	BOWER	SUMMERBEE	WINDASS	KEARNEY	ADEBOLA	EMANUEL	HOLLOWAY	MUIRHEAD	SCHUMACHER	CROOKS	RICKETTS	GAVIN	SYMES	BENTHAM
Sat Oct 23	Sheffield Wednesday	H	3-1	Valley Parade	13,717	HENDERSON	WETHERALL	BOWER	SUMMERBEE	WINDASS	KEARNEY	ADEBOLA	EMANUEL	HOLLOWAY	MUIRHEAD	SCHUMACHER	CROOKS	RICKETTS	GAVIN	SYMES	BENTHAM
Sat Oct 30	Luton Town	A	0-4	Kenilworth Road	7,975	HENDERSON	WETHERALL	BOWER	CROOKS	WINDASS	KEARNEY	ADEBOLA	EMANUEL	HOLLOWAY	MUIRHEAD	SCHUMACHER	FORREST	RICKETTS	GAVIN	SYMES	BENTHAM
Sat Nov 6	Colchester United	H	2-2	Valley Parade	7,851	HENDERSON	WETHERALL	BOWER	CROOKS	WINDASS	KEARNEY	ADEBOLA	EMANUEL	HOLLOWAY	MUIRHEAD	SWIFT	FORREST	RICKETTS	GAVIN	SYMES	BENTHAM
Sat Nov 13	Rushden & Diamonds (FAC1)	H	0-1	Valley Parade	4,171	HENDERSON	WETHERALL	BOWER	SUMMERBEE	WINDASS	KEARNEY	SYMES	EMANUEL	HOLLOWAY	MUIRHEAD	SCHUMACHER	FORREST	RICKETTS	GAVIN	CROOKS	SWIFT
Sat Nov 20	Brentford	A	2-1	Griffin Park	5,909	HENDERSON	WETHERALL	BOWER	SUMMERBEE	WINDASS	CROOKS	ABBEY	EMANUEL	HOLLOWAY	MUIRHEAD	SCHUMACHER	FORREST	RICKETTS	GAVIN	ATHERTON	SYMES
Sat Nov 27	Oldham Athletic	H	1-3	Valley Parade	8,647	HENDERSON	WETHERALL	BOWER	SUMMERBEE	WINDASS	CROOKS	FORREST	EMANUEL	GAVIN	MUIRHEAD	SCHUMACHER	SWIFT	RICKETTS	SANASY	ATHERTON	SYMES
Tue Dec 7	A.F.C. Bournemouth	A	0-2	Fitness First Stadium at Dean Court	5,578	HENDERSON	WETHERALL	BOWER	ATHERTON	SYMES	CROOKS	FORREST	EMANUEL	JACOBS	MUIRHEAD	SCHUMACHER	SWIFT	RICKETTS	GAVIN	SANASY	BENTHAM
Sat Dec 11	Walsall	H	1-1	Valley Parade	6,732	HENDERSON	WETHERALL	BOWER	ATHERTON	SYMES	CROOKS	FORREST	EMANUEL	JACOBS	SUMMERBEE	SCHUMACHER	SWIFT	RICKETTS	GAVIN	MUIRHEAD	MORRISON
Sat Dec 18	Huddersfield Town	A	1-0	Galpharm Stadium	17,281	HENDERSON	WETHERALL	BOWER	HOLLOWAY	MORRISON	CROOKS	WINDASS	EMANUEL	ABBEY	SUMMERBEE	SCHUMACHER	SWIFT	RICKETTS	GAVIN	MUIRHEAD	SYMES
Sun Dec 26	Wrexham	H	1-1	Valley Parade	10,268	HENDERSON	WETHERALL	BOWER	HOLLOWAY	MORRISON	CROOKS	WINDASS	EMANUEL	ABBEY	SUMMERBEE	SCHUMACHER	ATHERTON	RICKETTS	TIERNEY	MUIRHEAD	SYMES
Tue Dec 28	Torquay United	A	0-0	Plainmoor	4,119	HENDERSON	WETHERALL	BOWER	HOLLOWAY	MORRISON	CROOKS	TIERNEY	EMANUEL	ABBEY	SUMMERBEE	SCHUMACHER	FORREST	RICKETTS	GAVIN	MUIRHEAD	SYMES
Sat Jan 1	Port Vale	A	1-0	Vale Park	5,001	HENDERSON	WETHERALL	BOWER	HOLLOWAY	SYMES	CROOKS	TIERNEY	EMANUEL	ABBEY	SUMMERBEE	SCHUMACHER	FORREST	RICKETTS	SWIFT	MORRISON	ATHERTON
Mon Jan 3	Swindon Town	H	1-2	Valley Parade	8,239	HENDERSON	WETHERALL	BOWER	HOLLOWAY	WINDASS	CROOKS	MORRISON	EMANUEL	COOKE	SUMMERBEE	SCHUMACHER	FORREST	RICKETTS	TIERNEY	MUIRHEAD	GAVIN
Sat Jan 15	Bristol City	A	0-0	Ashton Gate	11,605	HENDERSON	WETHERALL	BOWER	HOLLOWAY	WINDASS	CROOKS	MORRISON	EMANUEL	COOKE	SUMMERBEE	SCHUMACHER	FORREST	RICKETTS	ATHERTON	MUIRHEAD	ARMSTRONG
Sat Jan 22	Torquay United	H	2-2	Valley Parade	8,209	HENDERSON	WETHERALL	BOWER	HOLLOWAY	WINDASS	CROOKS	MORRISON	TIERNEY	COOKE	SUMMERBEE	SCHUMACHER	FORREST	RICKETTS	SWIFT	MORRISON	ARMSTRONG
Mon Jan 31	Barnsley <b>SKY SPORTS</b>	A	2-2	Oakwell Stadium	8,729	HENDERSON	WETHERALL	BOWER	ATHERTON	WINDASS	CROOKS	EMANUEL	TIERNEY	COOKE	SUMMERBEE	SCHUMACHER	FORREST	RICKETTS	SWIFT	MORRISON	ARMSTRONG
Sat Feb 5	Tranmere Rovers	H	1-1	Valley Parade	8,209	HENDERSON	WETHERALL	BOWER	ATHERTON	WINDASS	CROOKS	ARMSTRONG	EMANUEL	COOKE	SUMMERBEE	SCHUMACHER	FORREST	RICKETTS	EMANUEL	MORRISON	MUIRHEAD
Tue Feb 8	Milton Keynes Dons	H	1-4	Valley Parade	6,409	HENDERSON	WETHERALL	BOWER	ATHERTON	WINDASS	CROOKS	ARMSTRONG	EMANUEL	COOKE	SUMMERBEE	MORRISON	FORREST	RICKETTS	TIERNEY	SWIFT	MUIRHEAD
Sat Feb 12	Sheffield Wednesday	A	2-1	Hillsborough,	23,232	HENDERSON	WETHERALL	BOWER	ATHERTON	WINDASS	CROOKS	SCHUMACHER	EMANUEL	COOKE	SUMMERBEE	TIERNEY	FORREST	RICKETTS	MORRISON	ARMSTRONG	MUIRHEAD
Sat Feb 19	Luton Town	H	3.00	Valley Parade																	
Tue Feb 22	Blackpool	A	7.45	Bloomfield Road																	
Sat Feb 26	Walsall	A	3.00	Bescot Stadium																	
Sat Mar 5	Huddersfield Town	H	3.00	Valley Parade																	
Sat Mar 12	Peterborough United	A	3.00	London Road																	
Sat Mar 19	Hartlepool United	H	3.00	Valley Parade																	
Thur Mar 24	Doncaster Rovers	A	7.45	Earth Stadium																	
Mon Mar 28	Stockport County	H	3.00	Valley Parade																	
Sat Apr 2	Chesterfield	A	3.00	Saltergate																	
Sun Apr 10	Hull City	H	1.00	Valley Parade																	
Sat Apr 16	Brentford	H	3.00	Valley Parade																	
Sat Apr 23	Colchester United	A	3.00	Laver Road																	
Sat Apr 30	A.F.C. Bournemouth	H	3.00	Valley Parade																	
Sat May 7	Oldham Athletic	A	3.00	Boundary Park																	

## SUBSTITUTES

As at 15 FEB. 2005

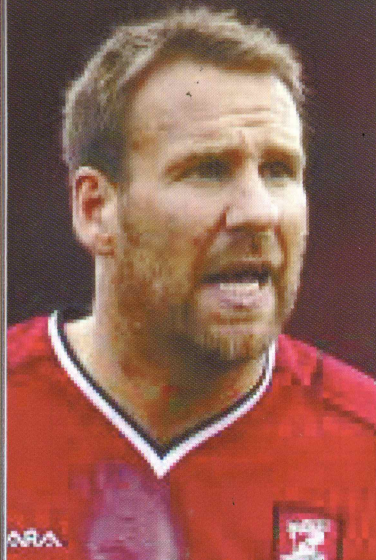
		P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts.
1	Luton Town	32	19	9	4	57	29	66
2	Hull City	31	18	5	8	57	39	59
3	Tranmere Rovers	32	16	10	6	52	39	58
4	Sheffield Wednesday	32	14	10	8	55	38	52
5	Hartlepool United	30	16	4	10	52	42	52
6	Brentford	30	15	5	10	36	38	50
7	Swindon Town	32	14	6	12	52	45	48
8	Bradford City	32	13	9	10	44	45	48
9	Bournemouth	31	13	8	10	54	43	47
10	Bristol City	32	11	12	9	52	42	45
11	Doncaster Rovers	32	11	11	10	39	42	44
12	Chesterfield	32	11	10	11	39	41	43
13	Walsall	32	11	9	12	47	54	42
14	Barnsley	32	9	14	9	47	41	41
15	Colchester United	31	10	9	12	44	35	39
16	Huddersfield Town	32	10	9	13	50	50	39
17	Port Vale	31	12	2	17	34	44	38
18	Oldham Athletic	31	10	6	15	43	51	36
19	Blackpool	30	9	8	13	37	41	35
20	Torquay United	32	8	11	13	39	52	35
21	Milton Keynes Dons	32	8	8	16	40	57	32
22	Wrexham	32	9	11	12	39	57	28
23	Peterborough United	31	6	9	16	37	45	27
24	Stockport County	32	4	7	21	35	68	19

		APPS.	SUBS	GOALS
1	DONOVAN RICKETTS	0		
2	PETER ATHERTON	6	(4)	
3	PAUL TIERNEY	6	(2)	
4	TOM KEARNEY	14		
5	DAVID WETHERALL	33		4
6	MARK BOWER	35		2
7	STEVEN SCHUMACHER	31	(1)	3
8	MICHAEL SYMES	7	(8)	2
9	NICKY SUMMERBEE	26	(2)	3
10	DEAN WINDASS	29	(1)	17
11	OWEN MORRISON	7	(4)	2
12	LEE CROOKS	26	(2)	1
13	PAUL HENDERSON	33		
14	DARREN HOLLOWAY	27		1
15	BEN MUIRHEAD	22	(9)	1
16	LEWIS EMANUEL	26	(3)	
17	JASON GAVIN	3	(1)	
18	TOM PENFORD	0	(5)	
19	DELE ADEBOLA	15	(1)	4
20	KEVIN SANASY	0	(4)	
21	DANNY FORREST	3	(10)	2
22	WAYNE JACOBS	13		
23	NEIL ROBERTS	4		1
24	LIAM FLYNN	0		
25	CRAIG BENTHAM	0		
26	JOHN SWIFT	1	(1)	
27	LUKE RICHARDSON	0		
28	JOE COLBECK	0	(1)	
29	SAM DENTON	1		
30	ROSS TURNBULL	2		
31	PATRICK MCGUIRE	0		
32	ZEMA ABBEY	6		1
33	JAKE WRIGHT	0		
34	ANDY COOKE	6		1
35	CRAIG ARMSTRONG	2	(2)	

Player Appearances Season 2004/2005 as at 15 FEB. 2005

# ...Coming Soon...

PAUL MERSON



## OFF TO THE SEASIDE

THIS is not exactly the best time of the year to visit the seaside so thankfully we travel to Blackpool with more than a breath of fresh air in mind as we go in search of another three points.

Having let ourselves down so badly at home to the Milton Keynes Dons the boys bounced back in grand style to end Sheffield Wednesday's 10-match unbeaten run with that historical 2-1 win at Hillsborough last week.

Owen Morrison's stoppage-time winner secured our eighth away win of the season and with three draws to back that up Bradford City proudly boasts the best away record this season in Coca-Cola League One.

Even the Division's leading team Luton Town can't match this and next Tuesday we have a date with Blackpool at Bloomfield Road where hopefully we can stretch our winning sequence even further.

The Tangerines are not exactly ripe at the moment and are struggling just above the relegation zone but it would be totally irresponsible to take their home record of just four wins, five draws and six defeats for granted for nothing is certain in the competitive world of League football.

Blackpool, away at Huddersfield Town today, have beaten the MK Dons 1-0, Torquay United 4-0, Wrexham 2-1 and most recently Oldham Athletic 2-0, on their home soil as manager Colin Hendry tries desperately to save them being swept into League Two.

A 1-0 victory at Colchester United earlier this month, thanks to a rare goal from Simon Grayson, did them a power of good both psychologically and physically in terms of the league table and you can bet that they will be keen to try and avenge their narrow 2-1 defeat at Valley Parade last October.

That too was a Tuesday night game and a tight one as well for after Adebola had given us a 36<sup>th</sup> minute lead Blackpool levelled the score through a Taylor penalty in the 76<sup>th</sup> minute and it was a minute from time when Nicky Summerbee claimed the all important winner.

So the boys will be grateful for your vocal backing on Tuesday night. **BLACKPOOL v BRADFORD CITY**, Tuesday, February 22, kick-off 7.45 p.m. – and no kiss me quick hats.

Next Saturday we are on the road again and down the M6 to Walsall where Paul Merson's team awaits us.

The former England and Arsenal star was deep in the dumps when I last spoke to him following a 5-0 thumping at Colchester United, and seemed to be on the verge of quitting. What had upset him most was the abuse he received from his own fans when he went over to take corner kicks.

It is a great shame when such a gifted player is treated in such a way just because the fans expect them to win. Anyway they picked themselves off the floor with Merson opening the scoring in a dramatic 4-3 home win over Huddersfield Town since when they have drawn 2-2 at home with Wrexham.

We crashed rather badly at the Bescot Stadium last season and it is still a difficult place to go. Only Brentford 1-0, Bristol City 2-1 and Tranmere Rovers 2-0, have taken maximum points off the Saddlers on their own field this season.

We came from behind to share the spoils when we met at Valley Parade in December and on that occasion player-manager Merson was "gutted" after he said his side had dominated the game. We made it 1-1 in the 83<sup>rd</sup> minute when David Wetherall bundled the ball into the net from Owen Morrison's corner.

A tough one this but one not to be missed: **WALSALL v BRADFORD CITY** Saturday, February 26, kick-off 3.00 p.m.

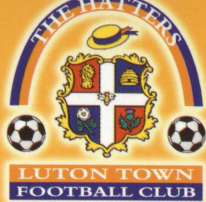
Next at Valley Parade is another Yorkshire derby clash when Huddersfield Town are our visitors on Saturday March 5, kick-off 3.00 p.m....hope you can make it.

Colin Benson





# Teams



Saturday 19th February 2005

**BRADFORD CITY**  
Manager: Colin Todd

1 DONOVAN RICKETTS  
2 PETER ATHERTON  
3 PAUL TIERNEY  
4 TOM KEARNEY  
5 DAVID WETHERALL  
6 MARK BOWER  
7 STEVEN SCHUMACHER  
8 MICHAEL SYMES  
9 NICKY SUMMERBEE  
10 DEAN WINDASS  
11 OWEN MORRISON  
12 LEE CROOKS  
13 PAUL HENDERSON  
14 DARREN HOLLOWAY  
15 BEN MUIRHEAD  
16 LEWIS EMANUEL  
17 JASON GAVIN  
18 TOM PENFORD  
20 KEVIN SANASY  
21 DANNY FORREST  
22 WAYNE JACOBS  
24 LIAM FLYNN  
25 CRAIG BENTHAM  
26 JOHN SWIFT  
27 LUKE RICHARDSON  
28 JOE COLBECK  
29 SAM DENTON  
31 PATRICK McGUIRE  
33 JAKE WRIGHT  
34 ANDY COOKE  
35 CRAIG ARMSTRONG

**LUTON TOWN**  
Manager: Mike Newell

1 MARLON BERESFORD  
2 KEVIN FOLEY  
3 ALAN NEILSON  
5 RUSSELL PERRETT  
6 PAUL UNDERWOOD  
7 PAUL HUGHES  
8 KEVIN NICHOLLS  
9 ROWAN VINE  
11 STEVE ROBINSON  
12 CHRIS COYNE  
14 MICHAEL LEARY  
15 STEVE O'LEARY  
16 ENOCH SHOWUNMI  
17 LEE MANSELL  
18 AHMET BRKOVIC  
19 STEVE HOWARD  
20 CURTIS DAVIES  
21 KEITH KEANE  
24 SOL DAVIS  
25 DINO SEREMET  
27 PETER HOLMES  
29 CALVIN ANDREW  
33 DEAN BRILL  
36 DAVID DEENEY  
37 STUART SINCLAIR  
45 LEON BARNETT  
46 MAX HOWELL  
47 ROB BECKWITH

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FORTHCOMING GAMES  
AT VALLEY PARADE:

Tuesday 1 March 2005  
Pontin's Holidays League  
Premier Division  
Bradford City vs Stoke City  
Kick Off: 2.00pm

Saturday 5 March 2005  
Coca-Cola Football League 1  
Bradford City  
vs Huddersfield Town  
Kick Off: 3.00pm

Coca-Cola Football League 1  
Playing today:

Barnsley v AFC Bournemouth  
Bradford City v Luton Town  
Chesterfield  
v Sheffield Wednesday  
Colchester United v Bristol City  
Huddersfield Town v Blackpool  
Hull City v Wrexham  
Oldham Athletic  
v Stockport County  
Peterborough United  
v Doncaster Rovers  
Port Vale v Hartlepool United  
Torquay United  
v Swindon Town  
Walsall v Milton Keynes Dons

Referee: U RENNIE  
Assistant Referees:  
B SYGMUTA (Red/Yellow Flag)  
S PROCTER-GREEN (Yellow Flag)

4<sup>th</sup> Official: R BOOTH

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