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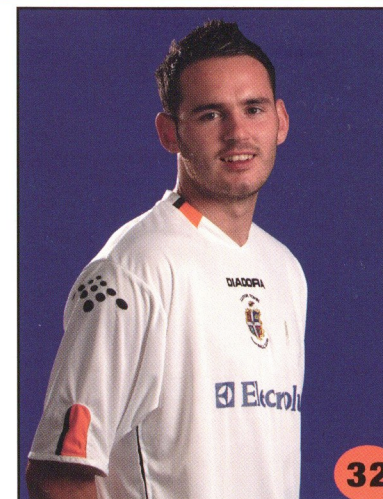
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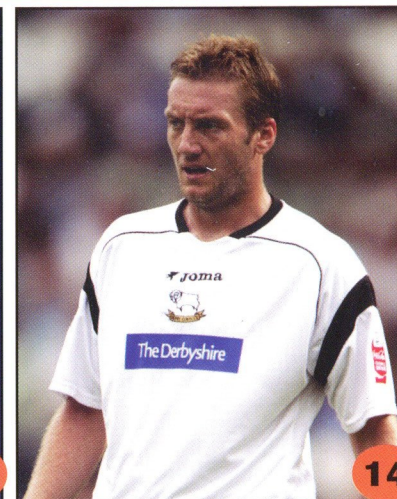
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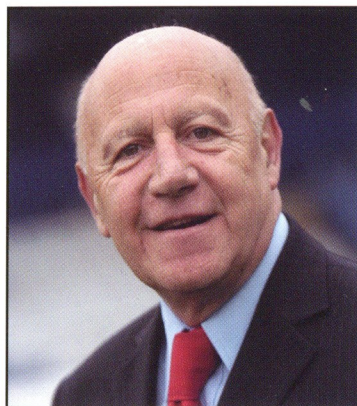
Welcome back to Kenilworth Road for this afternoon's game with Derby County. Welcome also to Steve Howard, who makes his first return to Kenilworth Road since departing in the summer. Our recent new feature inside the matchday programme, Ask Roger, received some great feedback and we will be placing a further article in the matchday programme before Christmas. We have had so many e-mails sent through to us, that we are sure Roger is working overtime to find out many of the answers, so keep your questions coming. It has obviously been a busy week at Kenilworth Road, and we have put together another bumper programme for you, including interviews with David Bell, referee Graham Poll and local actress Niky Wardley, from the Catherine Tate Show. Many of you may have seen Niky recently on Soccer AM, and she has been talking to Chris Rivett about her love for Luton Town. We also report on our recent reserve game against Colchester United as well as looking at the news from the last six days in the Championship. Remember, you can contact the media department on programme@lutontown.co.uk

COME ON YOU HATTERS!
STEVEN DOVE, EDITOR

We would like to welcome today's visitors to Kenilworth Road.

From the Chairman

Bill Tomlins



Good afternoon and a warm welcome to Kenilworth Road to all our supporters for today's match against our visitors Derby County, and to their Directors, Management, Players and Supporters.

I am sure that after the events of earlier this week we can now move forward and focus on the football side of the business.

The progress and future stability of the Club is paramount, and that's why the Board are delighted to announce that the difficult process of appointing an architect to design our new stadium has now been completed.

The appointment of the architect has been a long process to ensure we made the right decision. Our final decision has been made from a short-list of three very experienced and renowned architects of modern football stadia, all with a proven track record of designing outstanding stadium projects.

The most important aspect of the

brief was to appoint an architect that would give us an identity, and to produce a stadium that football supporters all over the country would instantly recognise as the home of Luton Town Football Club.

We wanted to take the spirit and the atmosphere of Kenilworth Road and recreate it in a brand new stadium where it can be enjoyed in more comfortable surroundings with 21st century facilities.

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All these grounds have their own unique characteristics, and you can see from the computer generated graphics that our new stadium will be every bit as special.

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for yourself.

I intend to use this page as a regular source of updates on our proposals for the new stadium. The Board are pleased with the progress so far, but please understand that until the planning application is submitted we can't divulge all the aspects of our negotiations in the public domain until they are completed.

This is not a cloak and dagger exercise, it's just normal commercial practice. It is essential that the developers have total control over the planning process while working in conjunction with the Club.

Despite some press reports to the contrary, there have been pre-planning meetings with South Beds District Council regarding the land at Old Park Farm.

Although we made an announcement regarding Old Park Farm back in December 2005, we didn't sign a land deal with the landowner until June 29th this year.

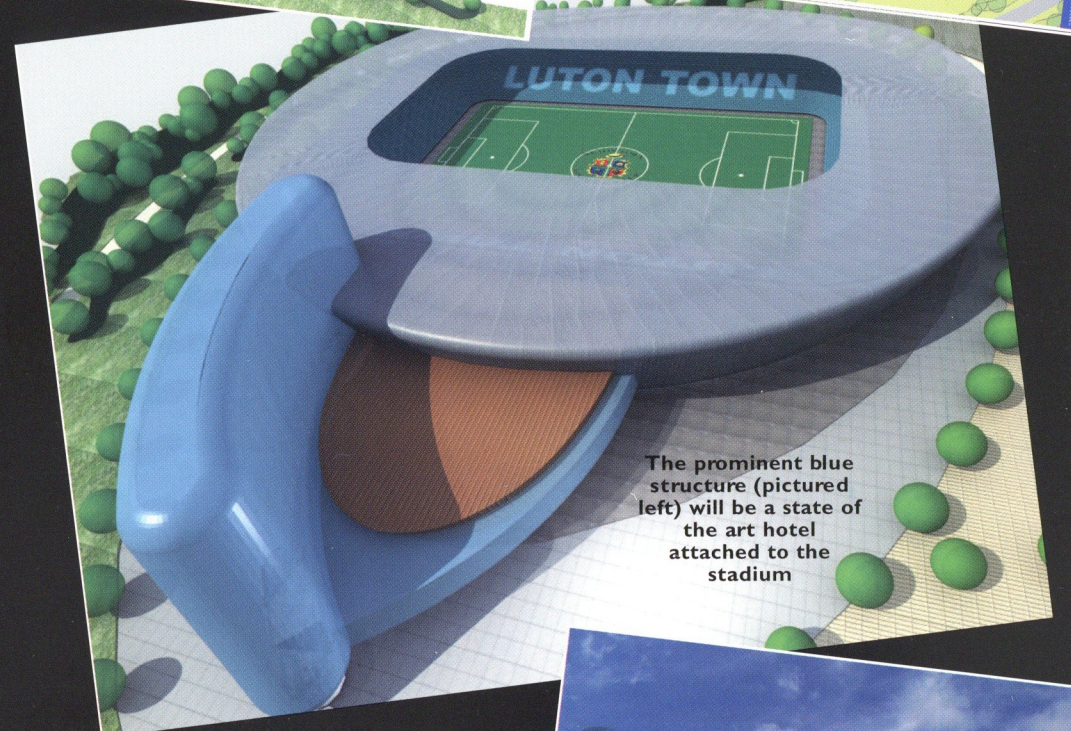
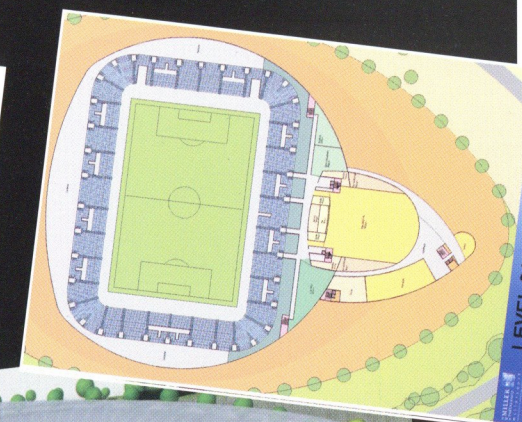
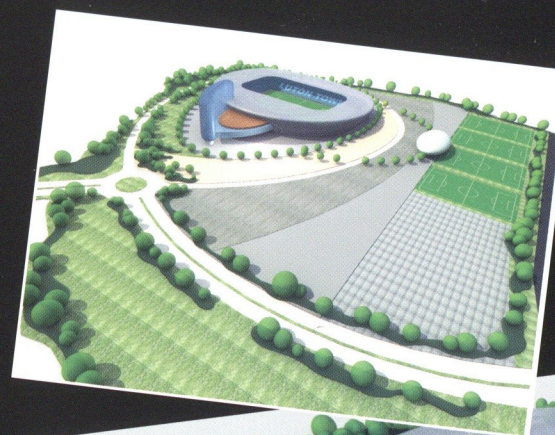
We can understand that some supporters have been frustrated by the lack of information but we can assure you that the wheels have never stopped turning.

Finally, I'd like to take the opportunity to welcome Steve Howard back to Kenilworth Road. Steve was a legend here, and served us well during his five-year stay. His commitment and service to the Club will always be appreciated and is recognised by all.

Get behind the lads, it does make a difference

Bill

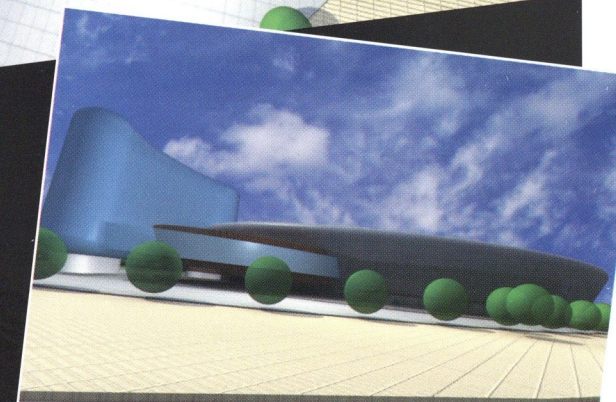
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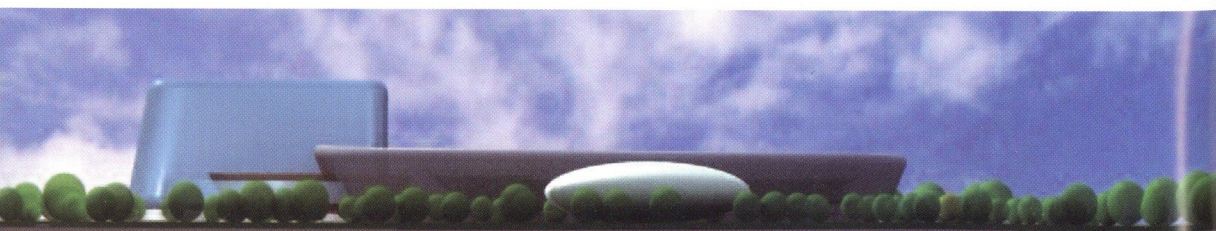
The prominent blue structure (pictured left) will be a state of the art hotel attached to the stadium

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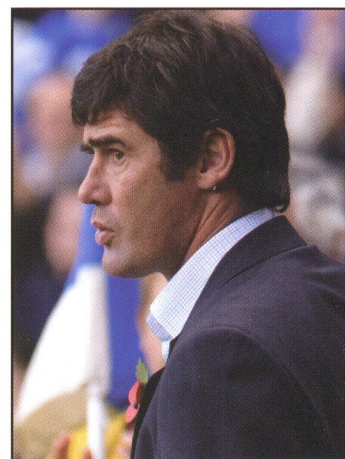
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From the Manager

Mike Newell



Mike Newell
Luton Town Manager

Hello and welcome to Kenilworth Road for today's game against Derby County. Welcome also to Billy Davies, his Staff, Players, Directors and Supporters from Pride Park. A special welcome back to Steve Howard who served this Club admirably for years with both his goals and his presence. It is no secret that I had discussions with Derby and their owners in the summer. They were nice people and Derby fans can be certain their club is in good hands. I committed myself to Luton Town however, and I don't believe there is a fan anywhere who would castigate me for that.

It would be impossible not to address the comments attributed to me directly after last Saturday's game. In respect of Amy Rayner and

anyone else who I offended I am sure that you are aware of my private and public apology on Monday morning. That apology remains unserved.

It is critical, however, that people understand my true values. I did not say that there is no place for women in football, I never said women should not be allowed to play for or support football teams and I never actually said women should not be able to officiate.

I am open to criticism and will never shy away from it, and I have heard the debates and the condemnation all week without responding. For those of you who don't know me personally, and have labelled me as prehistoric, a caveman and a bigot, can I ask you this? Is having traditional values sexist? Values such as holding a door open for a woman, helping a mother off a train with a pushchair or up an escalator, worrying what time my daughter will be home and whether she is escorted, buying flowers and paying for dinner etc.. If all of these are sexist and prehistoric then I am guilty of them all.

As well as the criticism, I have had massive support by way of emails and letters, mostly from die hard Luton fans who have a passion for their Club. It is a passion for their Club to be successful and progressive and to be able to compete on and off the pitch. It is a passion for their Club to move to a new stadium so that they and their children

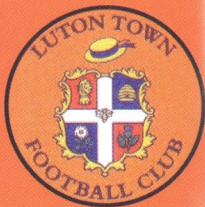
can enjoy the same comfort and facilities that their rival supporters enjoy every week. More than anything, it is a passion and a dream that they will one day enjoy Premiership status and play week in, week out, against the Country's elite. I would not insult any single one of those Luton fans by suggestions that I was more passionate about their Club, I am only an employee who is dispensable at any time. I share that passion however, and made a commitment in the summer because of what I believed. I believed in the players we have at the Club and I still believe in them and I believed that we would move to a new stadium in the near future and I still believe it.

I was asked by various people this week if was I looking for a way out. The answer to that is an emphatic no! Quite the opposite! A very good friend and fellow football manager told me last year that it is a lonely job - I had never thought of it in that way.

I have had unconditional support from people close to me and other people who will become close to me. All I want now is to concentrate on football and help achieve more success. I heard an expression when I first came down here and wasn't quite sure what it meant. Now I think I know 'Keep the faith'.

Mike






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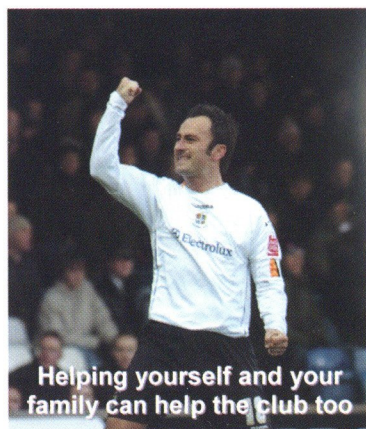
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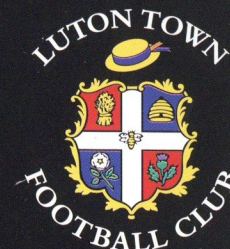
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From the Club Secretary

Cherry Newbery



Good afternoon and welcome to everyone to today's match, a particularly warm welcome to Steve Howard who was very popular with everyone during his time at the Club.

I would also like to welcome the three hundred under 12's who are here today, free under the club's recent promotion, and hope that they enjoy the match and will become regular supporters here at Kenilworth Road.

The draw for the FA Youth Cup Third Round Proper took place yesterday after the programme was printed, so please see the website for full details.

The player qualification for this competition is that a player must have reached the age of 15 years by midnight on 31st August of this current season and not have reached the age of 18 years as at midnight on 31st August, also of the current season.

There is a bucket collection here today for the Bedfordshire Deaf Children's Society and, as always, I know supporters will give generously.

We are still looking for accommodation for some of our young players so if you, or anyone you know, can offer a "home from home" environment to one of our youngsters please do contact Marvin Johnson or myself here at the club for further details.

The Football League have advised us this week of changes in the terms of the Standard Non Transfer of Tickets Policy, full details will be available shortly.

Whilst we haven't reached the half way stage of this season yet— a date for your diary and so you can book next years holiday, (as already requested by two supporters!) is that Season 2007-2008 will start on Saturday 11th August.

Enjoy the game
Cherry.

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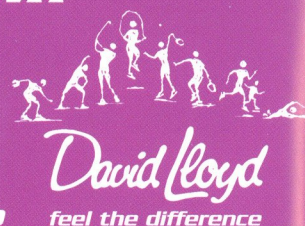
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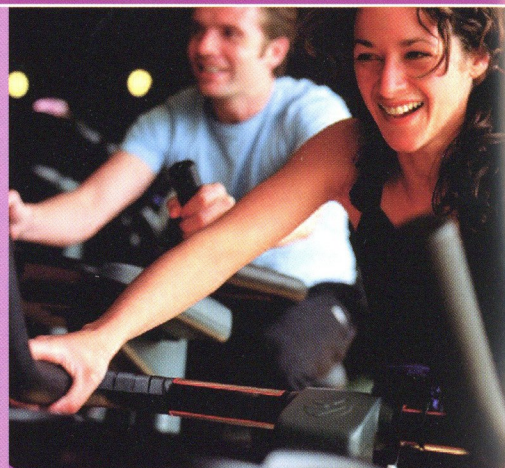


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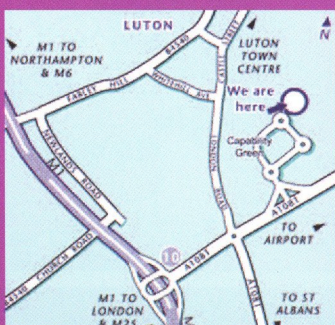
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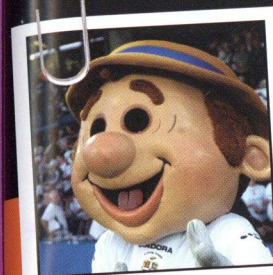
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Junior Hatters

We would like to welcome all our Junior Hatters members to Kenilworth Road this afternoon

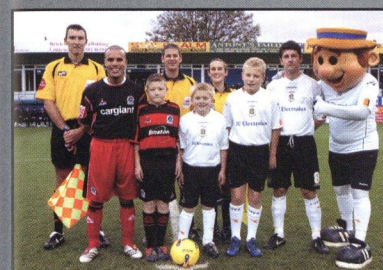
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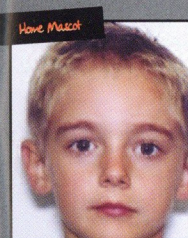
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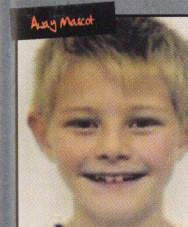


Morgan McCarthy, Jay Taylor Sanders and Calum Norris were mascots at our last game at Kenilworth Road against QPR. They are pictured above with both team captains and officials prior to the match.

Today's Mascots



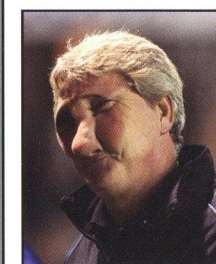
Name: Shaun Palmer
Age: 7
Favourite Player: Sol Davis
School Attended: Ardley Hill Lower School
Hobbies: Playing Football for school team



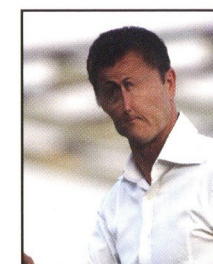
Name: Ross Knight
Age: 9
Favourite Player: Matt Oakley

Junior Hatters Quiz

Can you identify these Championship managers?
The answers can be found below.



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ANSWER



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The following Junior Hatters members will be celebrating birthdays during November.

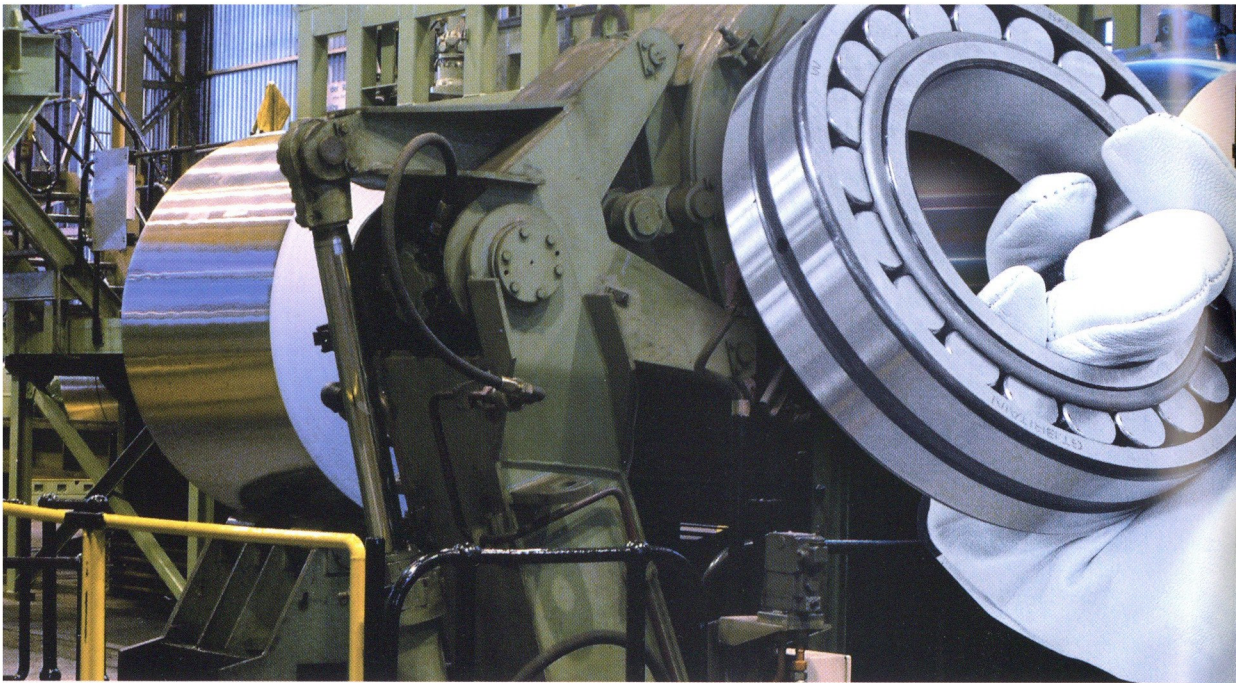
They are:-

Tommy Southey	Adam Clark
Luke Edwards	Steven Day
Josh Gallant	Alfie Mead
Tom Grimshaw	Shaun Palmer
Jessica Figgins	George Marwaha
Jack Gifford	Barry Close

ANSWERS - GUESS WHO: Steve Bruce, Dennis Wise and Dave Jones

Ballboys
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Welcome to

Derby County

With a new manager at the helm and a new Chairman splashing the cash, Derby fans are optimistic about the season ahead. Going into today's game fifth in the division, Derby fans are eyeing a return to the Premiership. STEWART CURTIS looks at the Derby squad on show this afternoon.

Billy Davies brings an in-form Derby County side to Kenilworth Road this afternoon, a fixture which sees the return of former Hatters favourite Steve Howard. Having made a £1m move to the East Midlands in the summer, he will be looking to add to his recent goal scoring form, albeit in the white shirt of another club.

County's famous days-gone-by include winning the FA Cup in 1946, as well as being crowned champions of England on two occasions during the 1970's. The mid to late 90s were the next time footballing success shone down on Derby, as promotion to the Premiership was achieved. Also during this time, the club moved home, leaving the now defunct Baseball Ground after 102 years, moving to a brand new 33,597 all-seater stadium.

Following six respectable seasons back in the big-time, Derby bowed out of the Premiership in May 2002, failing to return since.

Turbulent times, both on and off the pitch this summer, have seen a new chairman arrive at Pride Park in the shape of Peter Gadsby, who almost immediately installed former Preston boss Billy Davies in the manager's hot-seat.

As well as the signing of Howard, the Rams bolstered their Championship squad with eight more new faces, including the likes of Arsenal double Ryan Smith and Arturo Lupoli. Other incomers include 'keeper Stephen Bywater from West Ham, Jon Stead from Sunderland and full-back Mo Camera from Celtic. However, wholesale departures

were also included in the summer reshuffle, with no fewer than 13 players leaving the club, including those out on loan.

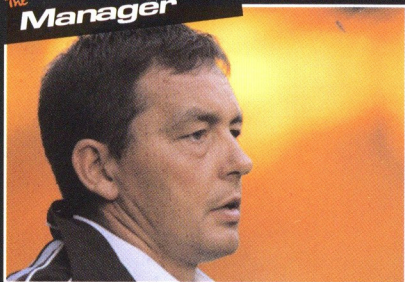
Having reached the play-offs with his former club Preston North End for the past two seasons running, new manager Davies will be looking to go one further and help Derby return to the top-flight once again. Having begun the season poorly, the Rams are finally finding their feet, losing just two of their previous nine league fixtures, propelling themselves into fifth spot in the process. Surprisingly enough however, it's away from home that they are picking up points, winning five of their nine away games, giving them the joint-best away record in the Championship.



The Opponents

We take a look at the players who will be on show at Kenilworth Road this afternoon

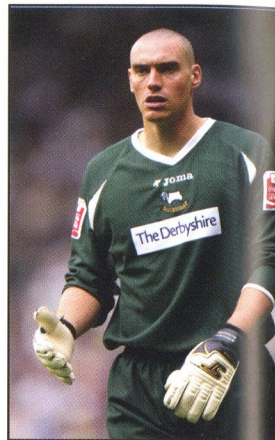
The Manager



Billy Davies started his managerial career with Motherwell and he took them to the brink of European Football but was subsequently sacked after poor form. He was appointed manager by Preston in 2004 having been assistant to the previous manager Craig Brown. He took Preston to the brink of the Premiership via the play-offs in May 2005. Despite a difficult start to the 2005/2006 season, Preston went on an unbeaten run, from September until February, which saw them go 22 games unbeaten - equalling the record set in the 1888 season. This helped the club qualify for the play-offs for a second successive season although Davies and Preston again failed to win promotion. Davies won Manager of the Month for the first time in English football in January 2006, having won all four league games played without conceding a single goal. In April 2006 he won the award for the second time in three months. As his contract allowed him to explore employment opportunities at Premiership clubs, Davies applied and was interviewed for the vacant management job at a Premiership club with Preston's blessing. However, his application was unsuccessful. He then expressed a desire to speak with a competitor Championship club, Derby County, for which permission was refused by Preston. Davies then took legal advice and, eventually, after a suitable compensation package had been agreed between the two clubs, Davies was allowed to leave Preston North End. In July, 2006, Billy Davies completed his first signing as manager of Derby, paying Luton Town a fee of £1 million for striker Steve Howard. The transfer is Derby's first £1 million plus transfer since 2001.

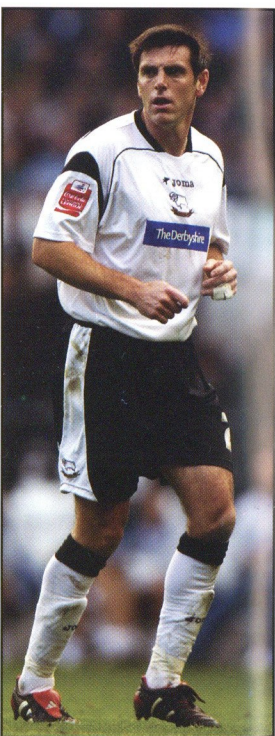
The Goalkeepers

With **LEE CAMP** currently on-loan at Norwich City, Derby's number one goalkeeper this season has been **STEPHEN BYWATER** (pictured), the former West Ham United shot-stopper. Bywater's appearance means Derby have already used three goalkeepers this season, with **LEE GRANT** also being involved in first-team action. Bywater arrived at Pride Park in August 2006, signing a three-year deal after initially joining on-loan. Bywater, who has six England Under-21 caps to his name, made nearly 70 appearances for West Ham and has also had loan spells at Wycombe Wanderers, Hull, Wolverhampton Wanderers, Cardiff City and Coventry City. Meanwhile, Grant is a promising young goalkeeper who was born in Hemel Hempstead. The youngster has progressed through the ranks and turned down the chance to join Chelsea earlier in his career, in favour of progressing his career at Derby. Meanwhile, **STEVEN CANN** is another young goalkeeper who is waiting for his first-team opportunity after progressing through the ranks.



The Defenders

MARC EDWORTHY (pictured) is an experienced head who joined Derby from Norwich City, where he had played a major part in helping them win promotion and was first-choice for their Premiership campaign. The full-back began his professional career with Plymouth Argyle and also had good spells at Crystal Palace, Coventry City and Wolverhampton Wanderers. Another experienced player is **MOHAMMED CAMARA** who was signed by Derby from under the nose of Leeds United. Guinea-born Camara joined on a free transfer from Scottish giants Celtic, having already tasted life in the Championship with Burnley and Wolverhampton Wanderers. **DEAN LEACOCK** was a £375,000 capture from Premiership side Fulham in August and the England U20 international and has quickly become a firm favourite at Pride Park. Leacock has nine top-flight appearances under his belt with Fulham and has also experienced the Coca-Cola Championship in two loan spells with Coventry City. **MICHAEL JOHNSON** has been ever present this season and arrived at the club in August 2003 from Birmingham City. Before moving to Pride Park, Johnson had come through the ranks at Notts County and then moved on to Birmingham City in 1995, where he gained experience of playing in the Premiership and a Carling Cup final. Though born in Nottingham, Johnson is a former Jamaican international. **DARREN MOORE** arrived at Pride Park in January 2006 to and has enjoyed success at Bradford and West Bromwich Albion, where he spent five seasons.



Derby's All Time Records

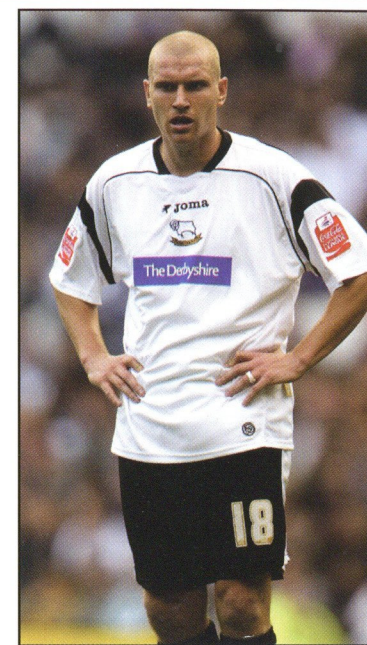
Record Att: 41,826: vs Tottenham Hotspur 20/09/1969 Division I
Best league win: 9 - 0: vs Wolves 10/01/1891 Division I
Best cup win: 12 - 0: vs Finn Harps 15/09/1976 UEFA Cup Final
Worst cup loss: 2 - 11: vs Everton 1889/90 FA Cup R1
Most capped player: Deon Burton: 41 Jamaica
League appearances: Kevin Hector: 486 1966/82

League goals: Steve Bloomer: 292 1892/1914
Goals in a season: Ray Straw: 37 1956/57 Division 3N
Transfer fee received: £7,000,000: Seth Johnson Leeds 18 October 2001
Transfer fee paid: £3,000,000: Seth Johnson Crewe May 1999

The Midfielders

Nobody in the current Derby County squad has played more games for the club than **ADAM BOLDER**, who arrived at Pride Park in March 2000 from Hull City, where he had made a number of promising appearances as a teenager, and was immediately earmarked as one for the future. Bolder got some Premiership football under his belt before relegation in 2002 and then became a fixture in the side during the first season back down. Danish midfielder **MORTEN BISGAARD** joined on a free transfer from FC Copenhagen, during the summer of 2004. Injuries punctuated the early months of his Rams career but in the second half of 2004/05 season he shone out in a new role playing just off a lone front-man, rather than in his usual right-sided position. Before joining Derby he had experienced Serie A football with Udinese, and his last act for Copenhagen was to secure them the Danish league and cup double with the winning goal in the cup final. Flying left-winger **RYAN SMITH** is a player with bags of talent who Rams boss Billy Davies has high hopes for.

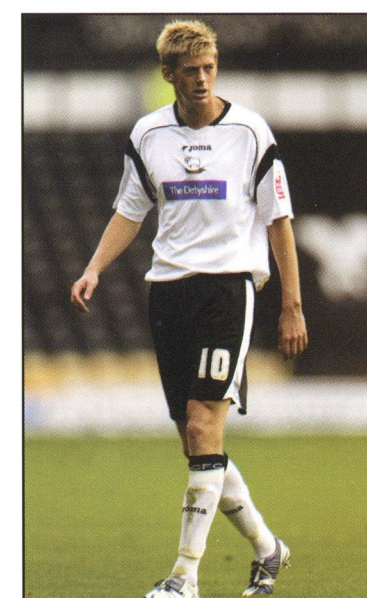
Smith made his Arsenal debut at the age of 16 in a League Cup tie in October 2003 and went on to win England youth international honours. He didn't make a Premiership appearance for the Gunners but came to prominence during the 2005/06 season when he spent a highly-successful loan spell on loan in the Championship with Leicester City. **MATT OAKLEY** and **SETH JOHNSON** (pictured) are two players with plenty of experience and are capable of getting goals between them. Oakley has spent his entire career at Southampton, whilst Johnson started his career with Crewe Alexandra. **GILES BARNES** will be one to watch this afternoon, having broke through into the first team last season at the tender age of 17. Barnes graduated from the Derby County Academy in August 2005. Barnes was soon handed his first senior start by then-caretaker boss Terry Westley, who had nurtured his development at Academy level, and repaid that faith with a performance that belied his years - against Sheffield United. Barnes has already earned England U18 and U19 international caps and put pen to paper on a new four-year deal just before the start of the 2006/07 season.



The Strikers

There is no need for an introduction for **STEVE HOWARD**, who returns to Kenilworth Road for the first time since completing his £1m move in the summer. Howard became Billy Davies' first signing since taking over as Rams boss in June and at £1m, Howard is the club's most expensive incoming transfer since the capture of Francois Grenet in November 2001. Howard became a firm favourite at Luton and scored 103 goals for the club during his stay at Kenilworth Road. He played a pivotal role in our Division Three promotion winning side in the 2001/02 season and our League One championship success in the 2004/05 season. After a slow start, Howard has quickly become an integral part of the Derby side and has gone on to score seven goals this season, including a strike in Derby's recent match with Coventry City. **PAUL PESCHISOLDO** has always scored goals and knows just how to be in the right place at the right time, as his career record shows. Pesch began his English football career with Birmingham City before moving on to Stoke

City, West Bromwich Albion and Fulham. Former England U21 striker **JON STEAD** (pictured) joined the Rams on loan from Sunderland. Stead made his name as a youngster at Huddersfield Town when he broke through to score 24 goals in 76 league and cup games. That form earned him a £1.25m move to the Premiership with Blackburn Rovers in February 2004 and he was an immediate top-flight hit with six goals in his first 13 games. Newly-promoted Sunderland then splashed out £1.8m to take Stead from Ewood Park during the summer of 2005. **ARTURO LUPOLI** has a phenomenal strike-rate in reserve football with Arsenal. He arrived at Arsenal in the summer of 2004 from Italian side Parma as a 17-year-old and made a rapid start to life in the second string. Lupoli ended his first season with 19 goals in the FA Premier Reserve League South and followed that up with 17 more in just 15 games in 2005/06. His only other senior goal for Arsenal came in November 2005, in a League Cup win over Reading, while his sole Premiership appearance came as a substitute at Blackburn in February this year.



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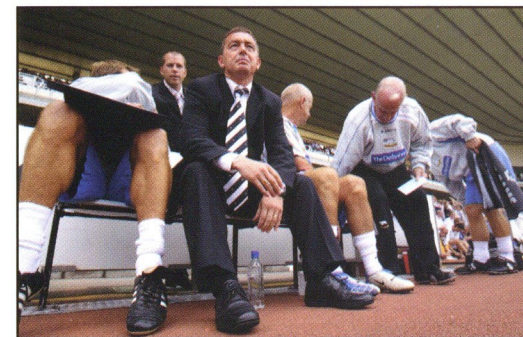


View from the *Opposition*

Phil Matthews, Sports Reporter at Rams FM, in
conversation with Chris Rivett

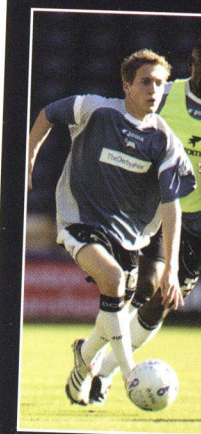
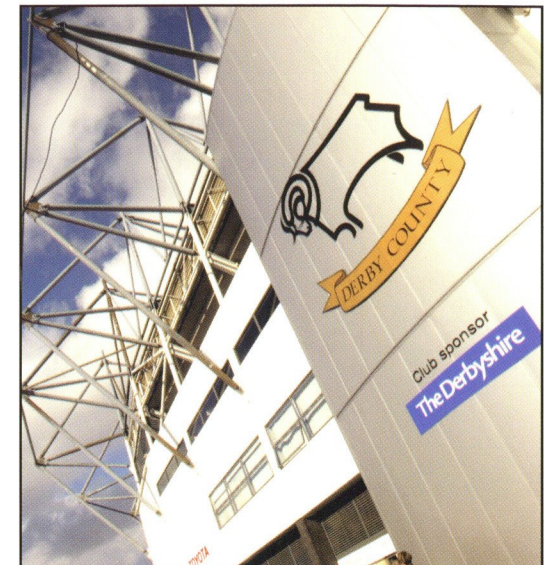
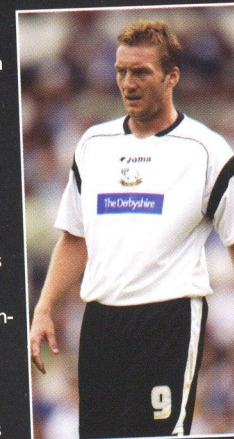
■ What are Derby's aims for this season?

Derby's aims were to settle the ship and re-group after a campaign that saw them beat the drop last term. In fact they have only had one season in the last six when they haven't been fighting relegation. Billy Davies says that there is a long term strategy in place which will take several transfer windows to fulfil. It is maybe unfortunate that victory last weekend at Coventry pushed the Rams into the play off places as it will probably raise supporters expectations to unreasonable levels at this stage. Having said that, the new board are ambitious and may consider "going for it" given the clubs current unexpected lofty position.



■ How has Steve Howard settled in at Pride Park?

It took Steve a little while to settle in at Pride Park and win over some of the fans. However, his goal count and general play in both leading set pieces have now made him a favourite. Given his overall contribution to the team it is now easy to see why Billy Davies made him his first signing upon getting the Derby job. There is little doubt that the boss sees an informed Howard as a vital part of his plans



■ Who should Luton fans look out for this afternoon in the Rams' squad?

Steve Howard will be undoubtedly keen to impress on his return to the club that he left in the summer, but of names probably unknown to Hatters fans both Giles Barnes and Arturo Lupoli (pictured) could catch the eye if they show the form that Rams fans know them to be capable of.

■ Who do you think will get promoted to the Premiership this season?

I am not convinced that anyone is likely to pick up sufficient momentum to run away with things this season as Reading did last term, but I think you have to fancy West Brom purely because they seem to have the best squad.



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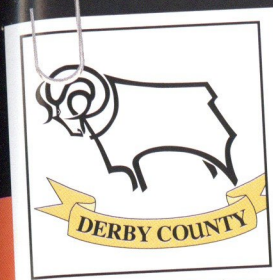
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Five to Remember

Roger Wash takes a look back at five classic encounters between Luton Town and Derby County

30th August 1961 Luton Town 4 Derby County 2 Attendance: 15,380

The Town had opened the new campaign with a 4-1 home thumping of Preston, followed by defeat at Derby and a win at Plymouth.

The return with the Rams came up quickly and in a display of slick football the Town were 3-0 up in the first 20 minutes. Goals from Tom McKechnie, Alec Ashworth and Harry Walden gained ample revenge for the early season reversal but, resting on their laurels, the players allowed Derby back in the game when they pulled two goals back after the interval.

It was left to McKechnie, on his home debut, to give Derby a mountain to climb with a long range shot on 75 minutes, which eventually secured the points.



☐ Paul Futcher beats Francis Lee to the ball during the clash with the Rams in 1974.

21st December 1974 Luton Town 1 Derby County 0 Attendance: 12,862

The Hatters were in a sorry state in this their first season back in the top flight since 1960. With only nine points to their credit and after a run of six straight defeats they were rock bottom and now had to take on the future champions Derby at Kenilworth Road.

The game was a turgid affair but, in one of the surprises of the day, the Town won 1-0 courtesy of a Jim Ryan penalty, which came about when Peter Spiring was fouled in the area, breaking his toe in the process.

Derby gained ample revenge when winning 5-0 in the return match!

7th November 1981 Luton Town 3 Derby County 2 Attendance: 10,784

The Hatters were on their way to the championship of Division Two, but would have to do so without influential central defender Mike Saxby, who had suffered a Luton career ending knee injury the week before.

Rookie Clive Goodyear took his place and was on the scoresheet in the 65th minute, with a 20 yard drive which put the Town two

up after David Moss had netted earlier.

The good work was undone, though, when Rams substitute Keith Osgood had yards of space to poke home a goal at the far post but the Town regained their two goal advantage via Mal Dongah's head. Derby's second goal came too late to influence the result.



☐ Lars Elstrup scores the Town's second during the vital win at Kenilworth Road in 1991.

5th May 1990 Derby County 2 Luton Town 3 Attendance: 17,044

The Town were dead and buried long before the end of the season, but a late run gave them the opportunity to escape the drop. Having said that, the Hatters needed to win at Derby and hope that Sheffield Wednesday lost at home to Nottingham Forest.

As the Hatters had only one away win under their belts that season it seemed like a tall order but 5,000 travelled from Bedfordshire to see Tim Breacker and Kingsley Black put the Town 2-0 up early on.

The Rams, though, had levelled by the interval but the Town refused to roll over and the fans were rewarded with another effort from Black with 15 minutes to go.

With the points secured there was now an agonising wait before it was learnt that Wednesday had lost!

11th May 1991 Luton Town 2 Derby County 0 Attendance: 12,889

On this, the last game of the season, the situation was simple. The Hatters had to beat already relegated Derby and hope that Sunderland did not run up a cricket score at Manchester City.

The Town had not won for two months but, roared on by a best of the season crowd, their attempts to play football were rewarded when a free kick from Jason Rees skimmed off the head of ex-Hatter Mick Harford into the net.

The points were seemingly made safe just after the interval when Lars Elstrup headed past a wrong footed Peter Shilton in the Derby goal but the fans were still listening to happenings at Maine Road. When the final score came through that Sunderland had lost, celebrations in Luton continued long into the night.



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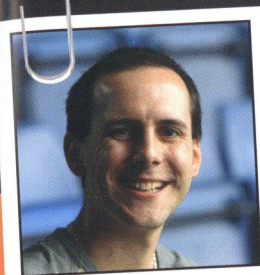


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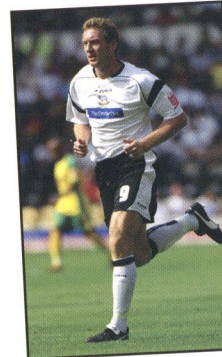
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Stat Attack

Simon Pitts takes a look at some interesting stats between this afternoon's two sides.

Luton have entertained Derby on 17 occasions in the League, winning 11 and losing just four. The Hatters have scored 27 goals, with 16 conceded. The sides have also met in both major Cup competitions, with the visitors winning the FA Cup 4th round tie in January 1993, but Luton were victorious in the 1996/97 League Cup match.

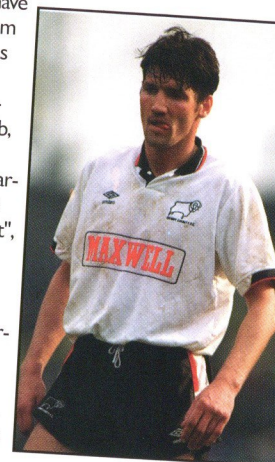


Steve Howard's (pictured) move in the summer for £1 million was the first transfer involving a Luton player moving to Derby since David Preece moved on a free transfer in August 1995. Howard made a total of 228 appearances, in all competitions, and is the third highest post-war scorer for the Hatters, with 103 goals. Preece is certainly not remembered for his goal scoring record,

but the influential midfielder was just six appearances short of the magic 400 mark when he left after 11 seasons service. Preece is in the top 10 of players when it comes to appearances for Luton Town. Another £1 million move involved a midfielder; when after 70 appearances and six goals for the Hatters, Derby paid £1.25m for the services of Mark Pembridge. The Welsh midfielder had come through the ranks at Kenilworth Road and his transfer happened after Luton were relegated from the top division in the 1991/92 season.

Luton won the first ever league meeting between the sides, when they travelled to Derby on 14th November 1953, with Bert Mitchell scoring both goals. The Hatters repeated the 2-1 scoreline when the two sides met later in the season, this time Bob Morton and Johnny Downie were on target. Dally Duncan maintained the unbeaten run against his former Club with a 2-0 win during the promotion season of 54/55. Gordon Turner and Jesse Pye were the scorers. This turned out to be Pye's last match for Luton, as he then put in a transfer request.....and moved to Derby! At the end of the season Luton were promoted as runners-up (only on goal difference to Champions Birmingham) and Derby were relegated, finishing bottom of the league!

The last player to have made the move from Derby to Luton was Mick Harford in 1991/92, for his second spell at the Club, having been sold to Derby 18 months earlier. He scored twice on his second "debut", in a 2-1 win against Oldham Athletic.



Harford made a further 28 league appearances and scored 10 more goals before being sold to Chelsea the following summer. No players made the move during the 1980's, so you have to go back to Barry Butlin's move in 1972/73. Butlin, a County reserve striker, was bought for £50,000 and he re-paid some of this fee immediately with a goal in each of his first three games for the Hatters! Butlin made 72 appearances in all competitions, and scored 28 goals, before a move to Nottingham Forest during 1974/75. Douglas "Dally" Duncan made 36 appearances and scored four goals for Luton after his move from Derby, but it was his contribution as Luton manager from June 1947 to October 1958 that he is more remembered for: Over 4000 consecutive days, and 474 league matches as manager, Duncan took the Hatters into the top flight for the first time in their history, as runners-up of Division Two in 1954/55.

Luton have only failed to score once when entertaining Derby, and that was the only goal-less draw, on the 11th December 1994

The most convincing win for the Hatters was 3-0 towards the end of the 1988/89 season. Danny Wilson scored an early penalty, with further goals from Mick Harford and Kingsley Black. Luton did score four against the Rams in August 1961 when Tom McKechnie scored twice, with Harry Walden and Alec Ashworth netting the other goals in a 4-2 win.

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Picture: Rowan Vine is pictured avoiding the challenge of two Preston defenders during our 3-0 defeat at Deepdale





Luton: Beresford, Foley, Barnett, Heikkinen, Edwards, Robinson, Morgan (Brill 51), Langley (Bell 65), Holmes, Vine, Boyd (Brkovic 76)

Subs not used: Feeney, Perrett

Bookings: Vine (69)

Sent-Off: Beresford (49)



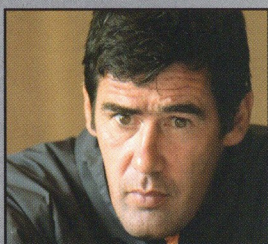
Preston: Nash, Alexander, Pugh, Sedgwick, Agyemang (Ormerod 75), Nugent (L Neal 82) St Ledger (Wilson 75), Chilvers, Whaley, McKenna, Hill.

Subs not used: Davidson, C Neal

Bookings: None

Goals: Alexander (52 pen), Agyemang (60), Ormerod (87)

From the Manager



"I don't like losing obviously and it's frustrating as we had held them. We did gift them the first goal, the second goal and probably the third as well. They're in form and it was probably going to be difficult anyway, but you don't want to be losing your goalkeeper; it's not ideal."



□ Carlos Edwards surges forward for Luton



□ Markus Heikkinen is beaten to the ball by the Preston defence.

PRESTON 3 LUTON 0

Marlon Beresford was dismissed at Deepdale for the second consecutive season as Luton's recent wayward form showed no signs of improving against Preston.

The Luton goalkeeper was shown a straight red card for bringing down David Nugent inside the penalty area.

Beresford's dismissal gave Luton an uphill struggle with The Hatters showing little sign of troubling Preston's undefeated home record this season.

The result left the Hatters now failing to score in their last four matches, conceding 14 goals in the process.

Preston should have been in front in the first half with David Nugent hitting the crossbar, but the promotion chasing club accelerated following the break and, after Beresford was dismissed, it was left to Hatters old boy Graham Alexander to strike home a second-half penalty.

Luton did have chances in the second half with Adam Boyd and Rowan Vine going close.

However, Alexander's strike was added to by Patrick Agyemang, who was left unmarked from a Danny Pugh corner to strike home from close range, and Brett Ormerod who took advantage from Dean Brill's parry, after Chris Sedgwick hit a curling shot.



□ Adam Boyd takes on the Preston defence and goes close for the Hatters inside the opening two minutes



□ Steve Robinson is stopped in his tracks by Preston's Paul McKenna

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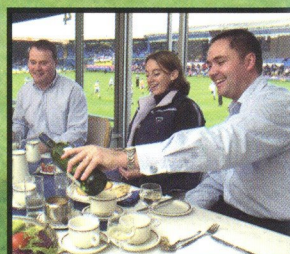
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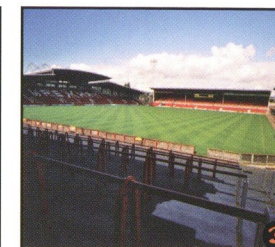
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3. Former Celtic and Coventry goalkeeper Magnus Hedman has been handed a trial at which football club?
4. Aston Villa beat Everton last weekend at Goodison Park. Who scored the only goal of the game, claiming his first for the club?
5. Which team are nicknamed 'The Spireites'?
6. American defender Jonathan Spector was signed by West Ham from which Premiership side?
7. Arsenal's Jose Antonio Reyes is currently on loan to which European side?
8. Manchester United winger Cristiano Ronaldo came to Old Trafford from which club?
9. Who was the uncapped 18-year-old defender that was recently named in England's squad to face Holland?
10. Which player holds the record for the fastest goal in Premier League history, coming after just ten seconds?

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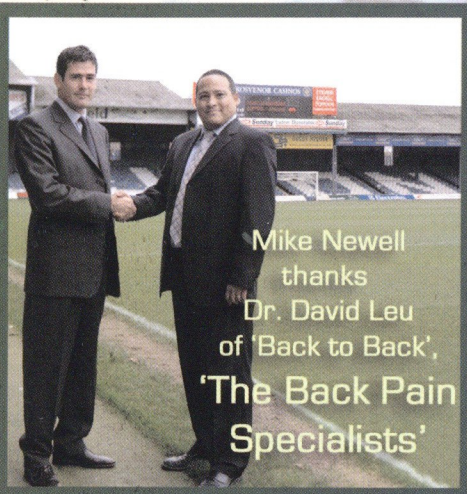
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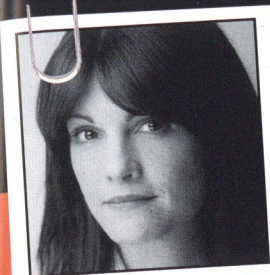
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Celebrity Supporters

Chris Rivett talks to Luton' supporter and one of the stars of the Catherine Tate show, local actress Niky Wardley.

Viewers of Sky Sports' Soccer AM may have noticed one of the guests wearing a Luton RFC shirt on the show a couple of weeks ago. The top was sported by local girl Niky Wardley, one of the stars of the BAFTA nominated 'The Catherine Tate Show' which has just started its third series on BBC Two.

Currently on a break from filming and in the throws of moving house, Niky generously gave some time up from her busy schedule to speak to the Luton Town matchday programme earlier this week.

A graduate of Lealands High School, she was a guest on the Soccer AM show, along with co-star Mathew Horne, and talked about her time growing up in the area and the sports education of rugby and football she received from her father:

"I was born and bred in Luton and

when I was younger I used to go up to the Rugby Club every weekend with Dad," explained the actress, best known for her role as school-girl Lauren's sidekick. "I do still pop along from time to time if I am back because I've a lot of old friends there and it is always good to catch up."

However, it isn't just the oval ball that takes up Niky's time when she has a break from her busy acting schedule and returns to Bedfordshire. She is no stranger to Kenilworth Road and will be amongst the crowd for this afternoon's game with Derby.

"I went to my first Luton games when I was really young with my dad. He used to drag me down in my Brownies uniform when I was about twelve." Niky said. "I come to the games now with my brother

Carl, who is disabled. One of the great things the Club does is the disabled helper's badge which is really useful for us, so whoever in the family is free can come along too. We take it in turns to come to the matches with him. He really loves it and I enjoy coming with him when I can.

"I remember when we won the Littlewoods Cup in 1988, I went to a lot of games that season and I recall going to the town centre with all of my school mates to see the players on the open top bus tour. I used to like all of the players of that era, but particularly Brian Stein and Ricky Hill, and of the current team, Carlos Edwards has always stood out in the games that I've seen recently."

As well as the Catherine Tate show, Niky has appeared in Rosemary & Thyme, Holby City and EastEnders - as Joe Macer's daughter - and it is appearances on the television screen that deny Niky the opportunity to come to Kenilworth Road as often as she would like.

"The recording of the series takes about eight solid weeks. We are out on location for three weeks and then we spend five weeks recording the show in front of a live audience in the studio," commented Niky, who also forms part of the writing team for the Catherine Tate show.

"The recording of the current series is finished now but we are looking to do a few specials soon and go on a live tour of the country next year. I've also just finished recording a series with Johnny Vegas for ITV



□ Niky Wardley (pictured right) on the set of the Catherine Tate show. Niky is pictured with Catherine and fellow actor Mathew Horne



MONDAY
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Laws confirmed as Owls boss

Sheffield Wednesday have appointed Brian Laws as their new manager after luring him away from

Scunthorpe United.

Laws brings his Glanford Park assistant Russ Wilcox with him and both have signed deals running until the end of the 2008/2009 season.

"I'm very excited by the prospect of coming to Sheffield Wednesday, it's a huge club with huge tradition," said 45-year-old Laws.

"The club couldn't have asked for a more hungry manager than myself."

The former Nottingham Forest defender had been in charge of Scunthorpe since February 1997, and twice led them to promotion to League One.



ALSO... Barnsley and Coventry are charged by the Football Association following their Championship game last month for failing to ensure that their players conducted themselves in an orderly fashion.

TUESDAY
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Powell returns to action for Saints

Southampton defender Darren Powell has come through his first action in more than six months for Saints' reserves.

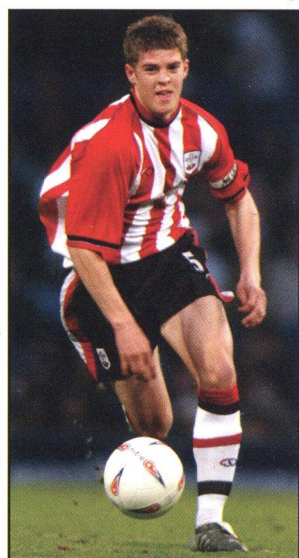
Powell, 30, has been sidelined since April with posterior cruciate ligament damage, and played for an hour in the win over West Ham's second string.

Reserve team coach Stuart Henderson told the Saints' website: "Darren looked strong and did OK."

"We took him off because he had not played for so long and we didn't want to risk him overdoing it."

Meanwhile, Yeovil have signed Southampton defender Martin Cranie (pictured) on loan.

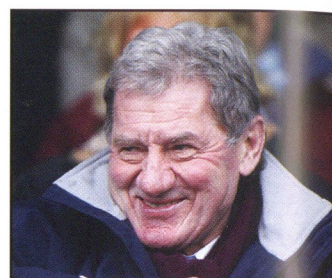
Cranie, 20, is to stay at Huish Park until the start of January in a bid to gain first team experience.



ALSO... Hull City defender Sam Collins has been ruled out for the rest of the season after surgery on a knee injury. Derby striker Paul Peschisolidi is close to returning to the squad after recovering from a thigh injury sustained in the warm-up ahead of the home game against Southend United on 30 September.

WEDNESDAY
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Mandarin confident on Foxes' takeover



Milan Mandaric is confident that he will become the new owner of Leicester City by the end of the year.

Mandaric has met with representatives with Leicester and is believed to have doubled his original offer for the Championship club to £6m.

"On 15 December, everything should be done," he told BBC Radio Leicester. "Whatever is needed, whatever I commit to, I'm behind it and I always deliver it."

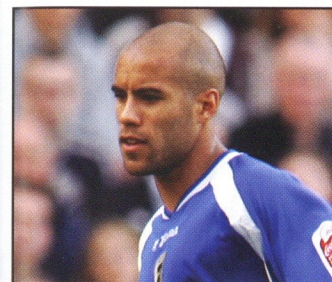
Mandaric revealed that talks with the club went well - and is hopeful of further developments in the next few days.

"It was a very positive, constructive discussion with a positive attitude by both parties," added Mandaric.

ALSO... Leeds have sign Coventry defender Matt Heath on loan until 1 January. Hull City midfielder David Livermore has recovered from a niggling calf injury and has started training with the rest of the squad.

THURSDAY
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Cardiff seek new full-back



Cardiff City are looking to sign a full back on loan after James Chambers returned to Watford following a short spell at Ninian Park.

Right back Chambers, 25, started in all seven of Cardiff's games during his month's loan deal, and the Bluebirds were keen to retain his services.

But Premiership side Watford have refused Cardiff's request, leaving boss Dave Jones with few defensive options.

Cardiff lost full back Kerrea Gilbert to a long-term injury last week.

Gilbert, on a season's loan from Arsenal, dislocated his shoulder in a training accident. That leaves Cardiff with just one recognised full back in Kevin McNaughton, although Wales international Joe Ledley could be moved from his usual midfield position.

ALSO... Barnsley midfielder Colin Healy completes his move to League One side Bradford City on a month's loan. Birmingham City striker Mikael Forsell could be out of action for three months after undergoing surgery on his knee.

FRIDAY
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Smith chased by Leeds and Cardiff

Leeds have joined Cardiff in

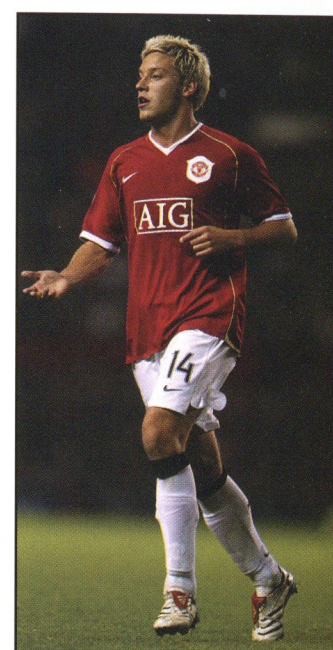
the chase to secure Manchester United striker Alan Smith on loan.

United have already accepted an offer from Cardiff but Smith's former club have now expressed an interest.

"We have only just found out about his availability, but there's a possibility of a deal," said Leeds boss Wise.

United manager Sir Alex Ferguson confirmed: "The fact we are no longer in the Carling Cup, I thought a short-term loan would be ideal."

Smith, 26, joined United for £7m after Leeds were relegated from the Premiership in 2004 but he suffered a broken leg in February and has not played regularly since returning.



ALSO... Southend boss Steve Tilson wants their stunning 1-0 Carling Cup victory over Premiership leaders Manchester United to kick-start their season. Plymouth defender Marcel Seip has committed his future to Argyle by signing a new deal which will keep him at the club until the summer of 2009.

SATURDAY
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Villa consider recalling Hendrie

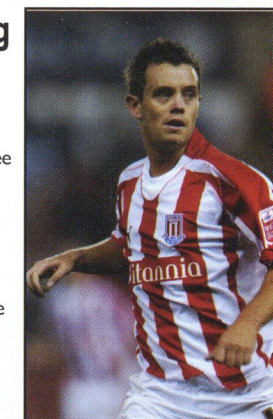
Aston Villa's growing injury list could prompt boss Martin O'Neill to recall Lee Hendrie from a loan spell at Stoke.

The loss of Luke Moore (shoulder) and Martin Laursen (knee) to long-term injuries has stretched Villa's already limited resources.

O'Neill said: "Recalling Lee is a distinct possibility, he is at Stoke for two months but we can recall him at any time if we want him."

"As he gets fitter with every game, it can only be better news for us."

ALSO... Derby boss Billy Davies admitted he hopes to sign "one or two new faces" to bolster his squad. Wolves chief executive Jez Moxey admits the club are considering signing Grays Athletic midfielder Michael Kightly. Stoke winger Luke Chadwick has joined Norwich on loan with a view to a permanent move in January.





Bell's in tune

The career of David Bell has continued its steady climb. With two championship medals already under his belt, the youngster is hoping to extend his trophy cabinet with more silverware at Luton Town. We caught up with the former Rushden & Diamonds midfielder as he spoke of his determination to make an impact in the Championship

Interview & Written by Steven Dove - Photography by Gareth Owen

At the tender age of 22, David Bell has already achieved what many footballers will probably not conquer in their entire career.

The CV of the Luton midfielder already makes impressive reading with a Nationwide Conference and League Two championship medal under his belt, an appearance at the Millennium Stadium, international honours with the Republic of Ireland at Under-19 and Under-21 level and now plying his trade in the Championship.

And Bell is still hungry for more, which will certainly be music to the ears of Luton supporters. Having made the step up from lower league football to the Championship, Bell is still determined to win more medals, gain more international caps and continue to play at the biggest venues in the country.

From an early age, Bell's potential was eye-catching. It was under the guidance and the watchful eye of former Rushden & Diamonds boss Brian Talbot that the midfielder from Northamptonshire shot to promise, which led to two trial spells with Premiership side Middlesbrough whilst at Nene Park.

Talbot was always an admirer of Bell's characteristics as a footballer and Luton fans have seen glimpses of the form that made him hot property at Nene Park.

However, Bell believes he has more in the locker and is now eyeing a sustained run in Mike Newell's team in a bid to help pay off the £125,000 spent on him in January.

"I have been pleased with my progress this season," admitted Bell. "However, I still believe I have a lot more to offer.

"I didn't play in the first ten games of the season when I originally joined the club and it became very frustrating because I wasn't involved.

"When I eventually did break into the side, I felt I played well, but I have missed the last few games because the gaffer has spoken to me about freshening things up in midfield.

"I have always been confident in my ability and hopefully when I get the chance to come back into the side, I can keep my place and show people what I can do."

Bell's promise at Rushden & Diamonds not only caught the eye of Talbot, but the Diamonds faithful, who quickly named him the 'Wellingborough Wizard' (he was born in Wellingborough) because of his trickery on the ball and his pace down the wing.

Bell's relationship with the Diamonds is a fond one and he looks back at his career with the club with great affection.

"I still look out for Rushden results every week and it is sad to see what is happening at the club. I still have a lot of friends there, who I keep in constant contact with, and I hope they can turn it around, because it is a great club.

"I had some great times at Rushden, moments in my career that I will never forget. They helped to give me



the chance in the professional game and my time at Rushden will always be a successful time in my career."

Bell's career under Talbot was fruitful and now he hopes to recapture his success under the former Arsenal great with Newell.

"Brian and Mike are totally different characters. Around the changing rooms, the gaffer is more of a quieter man than Brian. It's interesting to have been a player under two completely different styles of managers.

"Brian was certainly a lot louder in his opinions, which is sometimes a good thing. However, Brian helped me a lot during the early stages of my career and I am thankful for the help he has given me."

Bell came through the youth ranks with Rushden and he made his debut at senior level during the 2000-01 season in a 0-1 loss at Kingstonian in the Conference Trophy.

Two further first team appearances followed in 2001-02 in a 1-7 drubbing at Cardiff City in the LDV Vans Trophy, and in a 0-2 loss at the eventual champions Plymouth Argyle in Division Three.

However, it was during the 2002-03 campaign that David burst onto the scene as he went on to enjoy an incredible season as Diamonds won the League Two title.

It was his form that season that prompted scouts to flock to Nene Park and he continued to attract interest from Premiership clubs. He also spent two trial spells with Middlesbrough.

Big things were expected from Bell in League One, but in a side

Did you know?

David Bell's second ever appearance for Rushden & Diamonds was a 7-1 defeat against Cardiff City. Three appearances later, Bell was part of the Rushden side that lost 8-0 to Coventry City in a League Cup tie at Highfield Road.

that were troubled by financial difficulties and bad results on the field, the midfielder was in and out of the side, scoring only three goals.

However, despite taking a small dip in form, Bell now finds himself in the mould of a Championship club, who themselves are eager to continue to move in the right direction.

"I believe I have moved onwards and upwards in my career and I only want to look in that direction from now on. I arrived at this club because I want to win more medals and trophies.

"I have found the Championship

okay to be honest. Obviously the Championship is a massive step up and when I have come into the side, I honestly believe I have done alright. The more I play, the better I think I will become as a player, I firmly believe that."

Bell is also targeting more international recognition, despite being absent from selection for the Irish Under-21 squad for over a year.

"If your playing regular football at club level then you tend to get noticed a lot more. Unfortunately I have not been playing, so I haven't been too disappointed that I haven't been involved in the last few squads.

Question Time

David Bell has scored his first ever Luton Town goal earlier in the season. But against which team was it against, after coming off the substitute bench



"It's something that I still want to be involved in. I remember winning my first cap for Ireland and it was a big moment in my career. I want to be able to add more caps to my name as soon as possible.

"Hopefully if I can get in the side on a frequent basis then that may alert the Republic of Ireland."

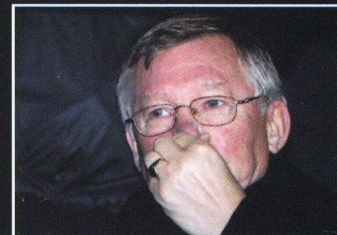
Bell's opinion on...

Who will win the European Championships in 2008



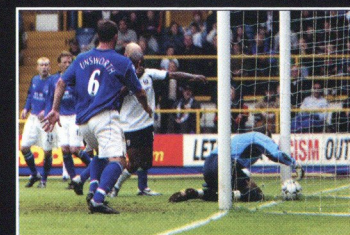
I think I will go for England, although I believe anyone can win it at the moment. I do think England have a great squad at the minute and with the young players that are coming through, the squad will be as strong as it ever has been.

Who will win this season's Premiership title



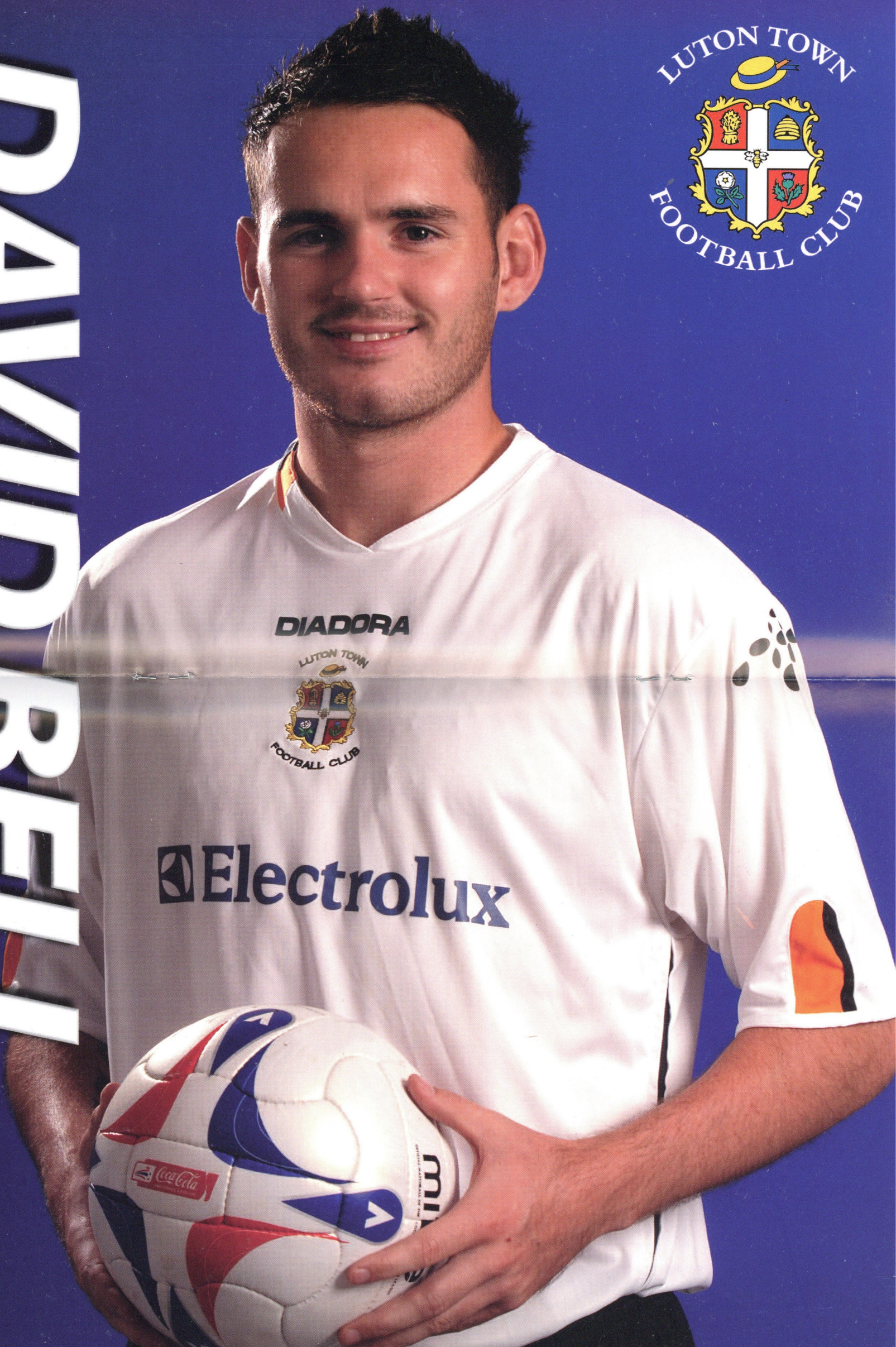
I fancy Manchester United to be honest. Although I think Chelsea have the best squad, I believe that Manchester United have the best team. If they can keep everyone fit then I can't see anybody else catching them.

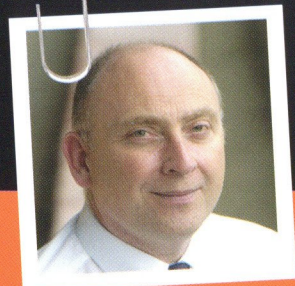
Should goal line technology be introduced



I think goal line technology should be used. It would clear up a lot of confusion on important decisions. I think it would make a massive difference.

DAVID BELL





The A to Z of

Roger Wash looks back on every post

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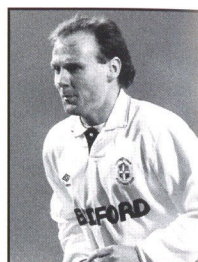
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Richard Edward COOKE

Islington born Richard signed on for Tottenham after leaving school and made his Spurs debut at Luton in November 1983, scoring in a 4-2 win.

He failed to make his mark at White Hart Lane, though, and moved to Harry Redknapp's Bournemouth, where his clever wing play attracted Luton manager Ray Harford, who signed him for £75,000 in March 1989. He featured regularly as substitute for the Hatters in the top flight but rejoined Bournemouth where his league career was ended by a knee injury in 1993.

Richard still lives in Bournemouth but commutes to London where he is a taxi driver.



William (Billy) Henry COOKE

After guesting for the Hatters during the war, it took some persuading and a substantial fee to prise Billy away from Bournemouth.

The effort was worthwhile, though, as crowd favourite Billy made over 200 league appearances for the Town as a rugged, no-nonsense full back who took no prisoners. Remarkably consistent, Billy invariably came out on top against the finest wingers of the day, with Preston's Tom Finney a prime example, being kept quiet on more than one occasion.

After finally leaving Kenilworth Road in 1953, age 34, Billy had spells at Shrewsbury, Watford and Bedford before working at Electrolux until retirement. Billy sadly died in Luton in 1992.

Ronald (Ron) COPE

England schoolboy international Ron enjoyed eleven years at Manchester United and was centre-half for the Old Trafford side in the 1958 FA Cup final, and was a regular in the team the following season when the Reds finished runners-up to Wolves in Division One.

After losing his place to Bill Foulkes, it did not take Ron long to accept a £10,000 transfer to Luton in August 1961, but he did not have the happiest of times at Kenilworth Road, making only 28 appearances in two seasons.

A talented, footballing centre-half, Ron became national news as a prize example of the wrongs of the retain and transfer system but eventually was able to secure a move to Northwich Victoria, where he stayed 14 years in all capacities. Ron is now retired and living back in his native Crewe.

David John COURT

Joining Arsenal from school, David earned an occasional first team place at Highbury as a forward, but, after manager Billy Wright moved him back into the half-back line in 1964, he became a regular member of the side for the remainder of the decade.

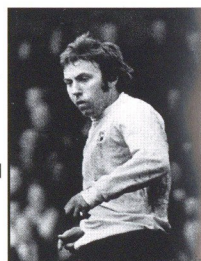
It was regarded a major coup by Luton manager Alec Stock when the Mitcham born midfielder was enticed to Kenilworth Road in 1970 for £35,000 but he did little to enhance his reputation and moved on to Brentford two years later. After a spell at Barnet, David retired to look after his Brookmans Park delicatessen, and is now back at Arsenal coaching in their academy as assistant to Liam Brady.

James (Jimmy) Darryl COX

Joining Luton as a youth trainee and signing professional forms in May 1998, Jimmy looked to have a long career in front of him when he burst on the scene as an 18 year old in a Worthington Cup tie at Ipswich early in the following season.

Showing pace and dribbling skills, Jimmy made eight league appearances over the 1998/99 campaign in midfield and attack but was surprisingly released the next summer and opted to go back to his native Gloucester where he joined the local City side.

Jimmy then went on to play for Bishops Cleeve and was at Yate Town last season.



Christopher (Chris) John COYNE

Brisbane born Chris came to these shores in 1996 following a £150,000 transfer from Perth SC to West Ham. Frustratingly, the tough tackling centre-half could only manage one substitute appearance for the Hammers and, after loan spells at Brentford and Southend, he joined Dundee on a free transfer in 2000. Seeking a commanding centre-half to help secure the Luton Town back line as they attempted to win promotion from Division Three in 2001, manager Joe Kinnear paid £50,000 to bring Chris to Kenilworth Road, and rarely has that sum of money been better spent.

At the end of last season Chris had racked up over 200 first team games for the Hatters and been part of two promotion winning sides.



Dean Anthony CROWE

Mobile and speedy forward Dean signed on for Stoke from school and was regarded as one to watch, with the teenager starring in his early days in the Potters side. He was, though, unable to maintain this momentum and, after moving out on loan to three clubs, signed for Luton Town on a free-transfer in September 2001.

Signed as a replacement for the injured Carl Griffiths, Dean was virtually ever present as the Hatters won promotion from Division Three, and finished second top scorer behind his strike partner Steve Howard.

In his second season at Kenilworth Road, the signing of Tony Thorpe and injury problems saw Dean move down the pecking order followed by an eventual transfer to Oldham in 2004. Dean was with Stockport last season.

Peter Leonard CRUSE

England amateur international Peter failed to make the grade at Arsenal and was glad to move to Luton in 1973 for the chance of first team football. Hatters manager Harry Haslam put the graceful inside forward into the side on the opening day of the 1973/74 campaign at Nottingham Forest but the Town were thrashed 0-4 and Peter was one of the casualties, being dropped from the team that beat Carlisle 6-1 the following week!

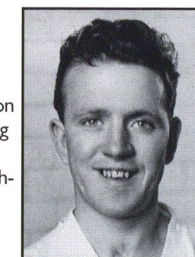
Peter found it difficult to win back a place in the side and so was loaned to Shrewsbury, where he badly injured an ankle which effectively ended his league career. After spells at Enfield and Staines and a year in Malta, Peter retired from the game, and for the last 30 years has been a London cabbie.

Michael (Mike) Joseph CULLEN

Scout and ex-Town player Doug Gardiner recommended 17-year-old Glaswegian Mike to the Hatters as a centre forward, but manager Dally Duncan soon moved him out to the wing.

A handful for any defender with a unique shuffle Mike starred for the Town as they won promotion to Division One in 1955 and won a Scottish cap, the only Luton player to ever do so, the following season, even though he was in the reserves at the time! Surprisingly transferred to Grimsby in 1958, Mike went on to become virtually ever present over four years at Blundell Park before finishing his league career at Derby.

Mike remains in Luton after working at Vauxhall and the railway station car park.

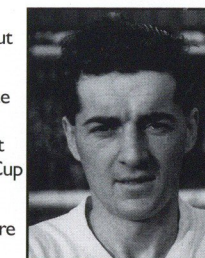


George Patrick CUMMINS

George was a schoolboy sensation in Dublin and was wanted by most of the big English clubs but decided to choose Everton because of their strong Irish contingent.

Although an inside forward of skill and vision and blessed with the ability to carve open a defence with a single touch, George found it difficult to retain a regular first team place amongst the 52 professionals at Goodison Park and was happy to come to Luton in 1953. George enjoyed eight years at Kenilworth Road as the Hatters won promotion to the top flight, and reached the FA Cup final during his stay. He also picked up 19 Eire caps along the way.

Leaving Luton in 1960 to join Cambridge City, George came back into the league with Hull before working as an electrician on Merseyside where he still lives.





Opinion Poll

Controversial FIFA referee Graham Poll was in town recently in support of a fundraising dinner for Luton Town Football Club. Poll is at the peak of his profession, having officiated at two World Cups, a multitude of Champions League matches and just about every major domestic game you could mention. Geoff Knox delves into the career and the mind of one of football's most interesting characters.

The Sportsman's Dinner at the Chiltern Hotel in Luton attracted nearly 200 paying guests and was a huge success for the Club, raising nearly £14,000.

Poll was the guest speaker for the evening, and what a superb job he made of it, although he understandably declined to be interviewed at any stage of the evening due to restrictions placed upon him by his employers.

The remainder of this article expresses opinions and quotes used by Graham during the evening, but we would like to stress that Mr Poll gave us no encouragement whatsoever to write an article on him for our matchday programme.

Graham Poll is a man that has pretty much done it all in football over the years. Some would argue that he's even pretty much done it all so far this season.

He was at the Emirates Stadium for Arsenal's first ever Premiership match at their stunning new ground. He's also done the Merseyside derby, Man Utd Vs Arsenal, Man Utd Vs Liverpool and a handful of Champions League games to boot this season alone, including one at Real Madrid.

Not bad for someone who had to take a hell of a lot of stick for one high profile mistake while he was officiating an important World Cup match in Germany during the summer. Some people even called him a failure.

Poll was understandably bitter about some aspects of his treatment in the press.

"My lovely friends in the media don't

even know the laws of the game, yet manage to criticise every decision I make. Never ever praise.

"And they'll even go to the extent now, that if you count the questions, that if the manager hasn't criticised the referee in the first three answers then they will push him into doing so. They are that desperate for criticism - which is, for me, a little bit sad."

Poll has had run-ins with virtually all of the Premiership's top managers, and sometimes players too. The last two weeks were no exception. Ashley Cole, John Terry, Jose Mourinho, David Moyes and James McFadden all went public with their Poll-bashing.

"The problem with success is that it can do one of two things. It can breed ambition or it can make you arrogant."

So why does he put up with it?

"I can understand why people ask me 'Why on earth am I a referee?' But the truth of the matter is, I love football. I am a football fan first and foremost.

"My first recollection as a six-year-old was the 1970 FA Cup Final between Chelsea and Leeds, which I thoroughly enjoyed.

"I was wrapped by football then. Then every Cup Final day we used to start watching the build-up at nine o'clock in the morning. It was marvellous. And that was how it gripped you.

"Once I turned eight, mum allowed me to be woken up at five to ten on a Wednesday night so I could come down and watch Sportsnight with Coleman and all those European games.

"I can't believe I'm refereeing those games now. I love them."

However, Poll only turned to the whistle when it became clear his future didn't lie as a professional footballer.

"I wasn't a bad player, but I wasn't that good, to be fair. So, at sixteen I thought 'I'm going to give refereeing a try'. My dad was a local park referee, and after just three matches I loved it.

"Anyone that's done local refereeing will tell you that it's something that gets in your blood and you can't really explain why."

Poll also acknowledges that, having done all of the domestic cup finals, two FIFA World Cups and Champions League galore, he has...well, come a long way, baby.

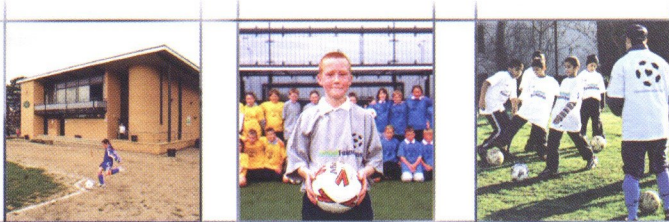
"It's unbelievable that me, who started in the Stevenage and Hitchin District Leagues, has got to where I've got to purely by loving football. And that's what's happened. I've got on well with it and it's just worked for me.

"I did the last FA Cup Final at Wembley. I can't believe that I've walked out at the Nou Camp stadium in the quarter-finals of the Champions League to do Barcelona against Juventus, second leg."

Poll can still vividly recall the experience.

"As you come up the stairs, there's one tier full up with 30,000. You go up more stairs and there's another tier full up with 40,000, and there's another tier with another 30,000.

"And you're thinking, 'I'm going to control this game of football with two cards and a whistle'. How much of a challenge



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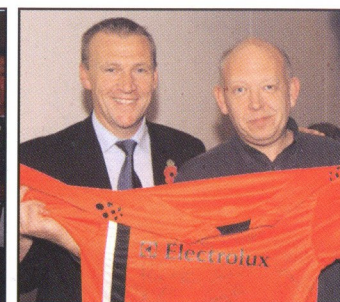
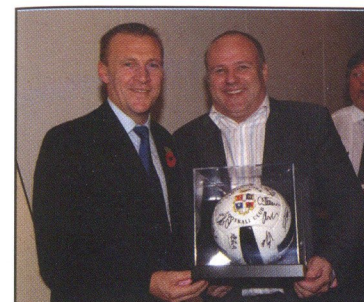
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□ Graham Poll is pictured (top left and right) presenting raffle items to our lucky winners at our recent Sporting Dinner at the Chiltern Hotel. Pictured above, Poll gets ready to book Croatia's Josip Simunic for a third time as he is eventually dismissed

is that, dealing with those multi-millionaire players? The hairs on the back of my neck stand up just thinking about those kind of experiences. And people still ask you, "Why on earth are you a referee?"

"To actually be a football fan and stand on the field of play behind Thierry Henry pinging one right into the top corner? It's a privilege just to be there because these players are fantastic at what they do."

Poll has learnt some harsh lessons from refereeing. His 'three card thick' (as The Sun so delicately put it) in Germany last summer was a warning to everyone that FIFA are looking for near-perfection in their referee's performances.

Poll is convinced that his triple booking of Croatian defender Josip Simunic cost him the chance of refereeing the 2006 World Cup final. Out of the 21 referees at the World Cup only 3 were full time professionals. And FIFA were going to pick one of these to take the final.

"People say that referees aren't accountable and we just go home and it doesn't matter to us. I worked 26 years for that opportunity and that one mistake cost me. I think that's right because I made

that mistake. I'm happy because it was fair."

Unfortunately, a lack of communication between Poll and his fellow officials meant that he hadn't noticed that a second yellow card had been issued to Simunic with just two minutes of the match remaining.

In fact, Poll and his team of officials were not made aware of their mistake right up until a FIFA assessor pointed it out to him some time after the final whistle - while he was getting a post-match massage!

Poll can still recall the conversation with the FIFA official that ended his chances of getting the final: "They said, 'We have a major problem here. You've cautioned someone twice but you haven't sent him off. He only stayed on the pitch two minutes and never touched the ball in those two minutes, but I'm afraid your World Cup is over.'"

Some unsavoury comments and derogatory headlines followed as the tabloids seemed determined to make Poll an object of ridicule. It was obvious to those present at the dinner that the criticism and printed personal attacks had

stung him. However, the depths to which the subsequent media witch hunt sank genuinely defied belief.

"Was it fair that for four days I couldn't leave my hotel room and I couldn't open the curtains in my room because the media had invaded our hotel?"

"Was it fair that I was pilloried in the national newspapers for making a genuine error?"

"Was it fair that my family back in England couldn't leave their home for three days and had to go out via the garage?"

"Is it fair that the media approached my 12-year-old daughter on her way to school and said, 'Are you ashamed of your father?'"

Poll was angry and upset with his family being treated so cruelly, and sought solace by reminding himself of a few of the basic principles of refereeing.

"We were told (when we got on FIFA for the first time), 'Remember, nobody ever buys a ticket to watch a referee, so don't try and be the biggest character on the pitch. Serve the game, don't think it's serving you'. That's a good lesson for all referees."

"I've progressed quite well. I've done all the domestic finals and you can only do them once. Despite this it seems that I'm only going to be remembered for one thing!"

Poll has had to deal with all every hard man that has ever played in the Premiership since it began, but insists that he has no axe to grind with any villain - past or present.

"One of my favourite players to referee, because he was honest, and that's what it's all about in my view, was Vinny Jones."

"When he kicked someone, he kicked them. And he got sent off a number of times."

Poll also looks forward to his UEFA Cup and Champions League games as the atmosphere inside grounds on foreign soil offers something different.

"They are much politer out there. What they do in Spain, if they don't like a refereeing decision then they just wave a white hanky in the air. It's very nice and civilised."

"What you see from English referees, and the majority of referees around the world, is honesty."



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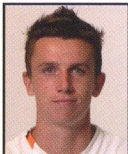
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Position: Goalkeeper
Date Of Birth: 02-09-69
Place Of Birth: Lincoln
Date Signed: June 2004
First Club: Sheffield Wed
Previous Club: Barnsley
2005/06 App: 43*
2005/06 Goals: 0*



02 *Kevin* Foley



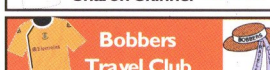
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Place Of Birth: Luton
Date Signed: Progressed from trainee in 2002
2005/06 App: 39*
2005/06 Goals: 0*



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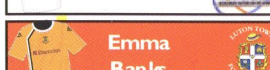
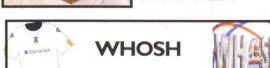
Position: Defender
Date Of Birth: 04-09-79
Place Of Birth: Cheltenham
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First Club: Swindon Town
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2005/06 App: 23*
2005/06 Goals: 0*



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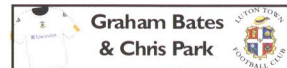
Position: Defender
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First Club: West Ham Utd
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2005/06 App: 33*
2005/06 Goals: 3*



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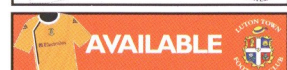
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Date Of Birth: 18-06-73
Place Of Birth: Barton on Sea
Date Signed: Aug 2001
First Club: Lynton
Last Club: Cardiff
2005/06 App: 12*
2005/06 Goals: 0*



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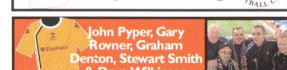
Position: Defender/Midfielder
Date Of Birth: 16-08-73
Place Of Birth: Wimbeldon
Date Signed: March 2004
First Club: Enfield
Last Club: Rushden & Diam
2005/06 App: 30*
2005/06 Goals: 0*



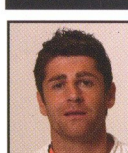
07 *Carlos* Edwards



Position: Midfielder
Date Of Birth: 24-10-78
Place Of Birth: Port of Spain
Date Signed: May 2005
First Club: Defence Force
Last Club: Wrexham
2005/06 App: 30*
2005/06 Goals: 2*



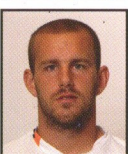
08 *Steve* Robinson



Position: Midfielder
Date Of Birth: 10-12-74
Place Of Birth: Lisburn
Date Signed: June 2002
First Club: Tottenham
Last Club: Bristol City
2005/06 App: 27*
2005/06 Goals: 3*



09 *Ronan* Vine



Position: Striker
Date Of Birth: 21-09-82
Place Of Birth: Middlesbrough
Date Signed: July 2005
First Club: Portsmouth
Last Club: Colchester (loan)
2005/06 App: 32*
2005/06 Goals: 10*



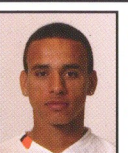
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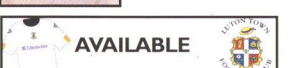
Position: Striker
Date Of Birth: 17-01-81
Place Of Birth: Belfast
Date Signed: March 2005
First Club: Bradford
Last Club: Stockport
2005/06 App: 45*
2005/06 Goals: 7*



11 *Dean* Morgan



Position: Midfielder
Date Of Birth: 03-10-83
Place Of Birth: Enfield
Date Signed: July 2005
First Club: QPR
Last Club: Reading
2005/06 App: 34*
2005/06 Goals: 6*



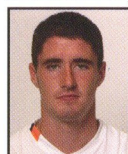
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Position: Midfielder
Date Of Birth: 17-04-83
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Last Club: Walsall (loan)
2005/06 App: 1*
2005/06 Goals: 0*



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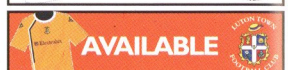
Position: Midfielder
Date Of Birth: 02/02/85
Place Of Birth: London
Date Signed: Progressed from trainee in 2001
Last Club: Trannore (loan)
2005/06 App: 1*
2005/06 Goals: 0*



16 *Lewis* Emanuel



Position: Defender
Date Of Birth: 14-10-83
Place Of Birth: Bradford
Date Signed: July 2006
First Club: Bradford
Last Club: Bradford
2005/06 App: 43*
2005/06 Goals: 2



17 *Richard* Langley



Position: Midfielder
Date Of Birth: 27-12-79
Place Of Birth: London
Date Signed: July 2006
First Club: QPR
Last Club: QPR (Resigned)
2005/06 App: 12*
2005/06 Goals: 3-



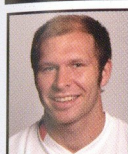
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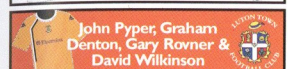
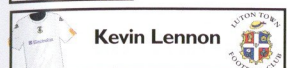
Position: Midfielder
Date Of Birth: 23-09-74
Place Of Birth: Dubrovnik
Date Signed: October 2001
First Club: HNK Dubrovnik
Last Club: Leyton Orient
2005/06 App: 44*
2005/06 Goals: 8*



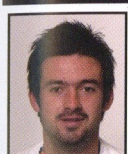
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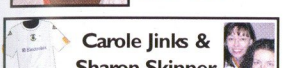
Position: Striker
Date Of Birth: 14/03/81
Place Of Birth: Roehampton
Date Signed: Aug 2006
Last Club: Ipswich Town
2005/06 App: 20
2005/06 Goals: 5



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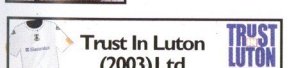
Position: Striker
Date Of Birth: 25-08-82
Place Of Birth: Hartlepool
Date Signed: July 2006
First Club: Hartlepool
Last Club: Hartlepool
2005/06 App: 22
2005/06 Goals: 4



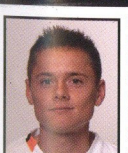
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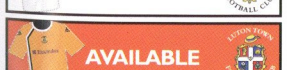
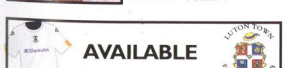
Position: Defender
Date Of Birth: 20-11-86
Place Of Birth: Luton
Date Signed: Progressed from trainee in 2003
2005/06 App: 12*
2005/06 Goals: 1*



22 *Danny* Stevens



Position: Midfielder
Date Of Birth: 26-11-86
Place Of Birth: Enfield
Date Signed: September 2005
First Club: Tottenham
Last Club: Tottenham
2005/06 App: 1*
2005/06 Goals: 0*



25 *Leon* Barnett



Position: Defender
Date Of Birth: 30-11-85
Place Of Birth: Luton
Date Signed: Progressed from trainee in 2002
Last Club: Aylesbury (loan)
2005/06 App: 22*
2005/06 Goals: 0*



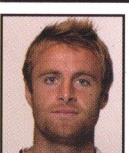
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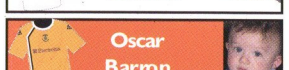
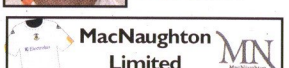
Position: Defender
Date Of Birth: 13-10-78
Place Of Birth: Katrineholm
Date Signed: July 2005
First Club: HJK Helsinki
Last Club: Aberdeen
2005/06 App: 40*
2005/06 Goals: 2*



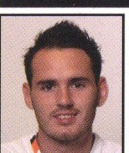
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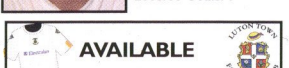
Position: Midfielder
Date Of Birth: 18-11-80
Place Of Birth: Bishop Auckland
Date Signed: Aug 2000
First Club: Rushden & Diam
Last Club: Sheffield Wed
2005/06 App: 25*
2005/06 Goals: 2*



28 *David* Bell



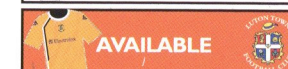
Position: Midfielder
Date Of Birth: 21-01-84
Place Of Birth: Kettering
Date Signed: January 2006
First Club: Tottenham
Last Club: Rushden & Diam
2005/06 App: 9*
2005/06 Goals: 0*



29 *Calvin* Andrew



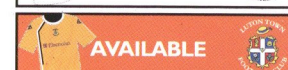
Position: Striker
Date Of Birth: 19-12-86
Place Of Birth: Luton
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Last Club: Bristol City (loan)
2005/06 App: 1*
2005/06 Goals: 1*



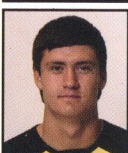
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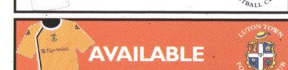
Position: Goalkeeper
Date Of Birth: 02-12-85
Place Of Birth: Luton
Date Signed: Progressed from trainee in 2002
2005/06 App: 6*
2005/06 Goals: 0*



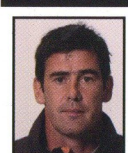
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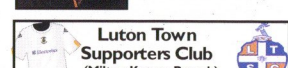
Position: Goalkeeper
Date Of Birth: 25-5-88
Place Of Birth: Severage
Date Signed: Progressed from trainee in 2006
2005/06 App: 0*
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Mike Newell



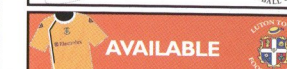
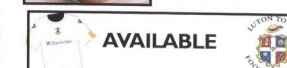
Position: Manager
Date Of Birth: 21-01-84
Place Of Birth: Kettering
Arrived: 2003
Previous Manager: Hartlepool
Playing Career: Liverpool, Crewe, Wigan, Luton, Leicester, Everton, Blackburn, Birmingham, West Ham, Aberdeen, Bradford, Crewe, Doncaster and Blackpool



Brian Stein



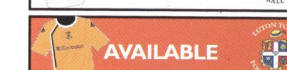
Position: First Team Coach
Place Of Birth: Cape Town
Playing Career: Barnet, Arney, Caen, Luton Town, Edgeware Town



Marvin Johnson



Position: Reserve/Youth Team Coach
Place Of Birth: Wembley
Playing Career: Luton Town



Steve Sedgley



Position: Youth Team Coach
Date Of Birth: 26-05-68
Previous Manager: King's
Playing Career: Coventry, Tottenham, Ipswich and Wokingham Wanderers



Mark Ridgway



Position: Youth Development Officer
Place Of Birth: London



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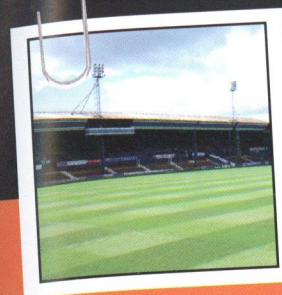
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Around the Ground

We take a look at the latest news from around Kenilworth Road



The Man in the Middle

Name: Steve Tanner
From: Bath
Matches this season: 15
Number of Yellow Cards: 35
Numbers of Red Cards: 2
Last game at Kenilworth Road: Oct 2005 - Norwich - W4-2

Luton Town would like to welcome today's match referee Steve Tanner, and all the officials, to Kenilworth Road this afternoon.

Tanner, from Bath, officiated in 37 games last season, producing 129 yellow cards and nine red cards.

Tanner will be officiating in his seventh Championship game this season. He refereed Weymouth's 2-2 draw against Bury

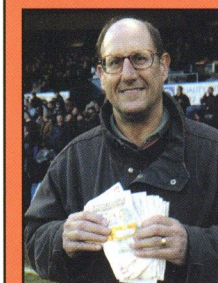
last week in the FA Cup First Round.

Tanner has officiated in 15 games so far this season, producing 35 yellow cards and two red cards.

DONALD KEEN

Luton Town were sad to hear of the recent passing of Donald Keen, from Tring. Mr King had supported Luton since 1947, when an uncle first took him and his brother to Kenilworth Road. He supported the club home and away and has been a season ticket holder for many years. In the last few years he has hardly missed any games and was a popular member on the supporters club away travel coach. Luton Town FC send their condolences to his friends and family at this difficult time.

Golden Gamble Winner



Mr Dennis Wesley, from Dunstable, was the latest winner of our Golden Gamble draw. Patten, who regularly sits in the Main Stand, scooped the £915 prize during half-time at our recent game with QPR. His number was picked out by our very own Happy Harry. Remember, you can buy a ticket from around the ground for just £1.

Get your thinking caps on for the Christmas Fun Quiz



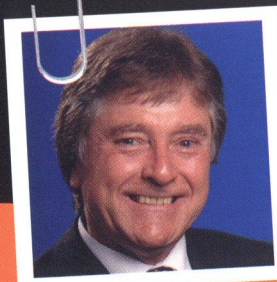
The annual Luton Town Supporters Club Christmas Fun Quiz has now been arranged for Monday 11th December 2006. The event will take place in the Eric Morecambe Suite at Kenilworth Road and is an opportunity for you to pit your wits against other supporters, as well as some of the Luton Town players. Doors will open at 7:00pm with the event starting half-an-hour later. There will be a bar and light refreshments available on the day, as well as secure car parking. Tickets for this popular evening are priced at £5 for members and £8 for non-members and can be purchased by contacting Vic Fussell on 01908 569339.

Town Teaser

Here is your chance to win a pair of match tickets to a Luton Town game at Kenilworth Road this season.

Answer the question below and listen to the PA announcer before kick-off for your chance to have a go

Steve Howard makes a return to Kenilworth Road this afternoon, but can you remember how many goals he scored for Luton?



Commercial news with **Peter Davis**

Peter Davis welcomes this afternoon's sponsors to Kenilworth Road

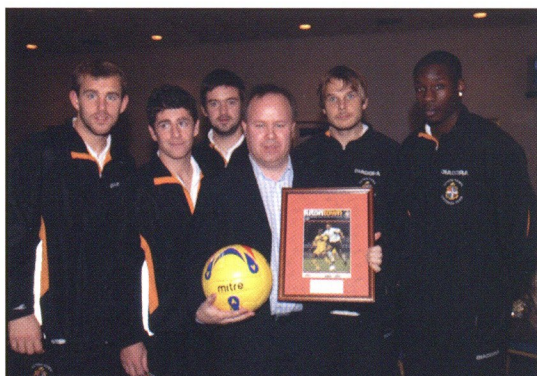
Good afternoon and welcome to all of our commercial partners and sponsors, to today's match against Derby County. Today sees the first of our Players Kit Sponsored VIP days with the second scheduled for our away trip to Leicester City on the 3rd February.

Matchday VIP Hospitality at Kenilworth Road.

Our matchday VIP hospitality packages continue to go from strength to strength, with our Eric Morecambe Sponsors lounge providing, according to our guests comments, one of the best presented and value for money packages in the Coca-Cola Championship. If you are considering entertaining your very special clients and staff for Christmas, or looking to have a memorable day out with the family, why not join us here on a matchday. Included within your event would be a Four Course meal with wine, sponsors seating, the opportunity to meet the players, competitions, prizes and much more. Please contact the Commercial Department for game availability and full details on 01582 411622 or e-mail commercial@lutontown.co.uk

Thank you for all your support and enjoy the game

Peter



□ Michael Edwards, our Matchball Sponsor, being presented with the mementoes of his sponsorship which has been dedicated to life long Hatters fan Edmond Edwards, Michael's father.



□ Gary Chamberlain and guests, together with Commercial Mascot Lewis Jones, in the home dugout pre-match



□ Commercial Mascot, Lewis Jones, collecting his certificate from squad members



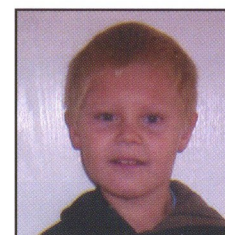
□ Associate Sponsor Paul Madden, of Storeaway Box Clever, presenting the Man of the Match award to Adam Boyd.

Match Sponsor: Players Kit Sponsors

This afternoon gives the club the opportunity to say thank you and welcome to our Players Kit Sponsors, who join us as this afternoon's match sponsors. Their individual players sponsorships are recorded in another section of the programme, but we would like to further highlight the support that the club receives from the following individuals and organisations in this vital area of commercial activity.

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| for Loyal Luton | ■ Kelly Knight |
| Supporters Club, | |

Commercial Mascot: Alfie Johnson



We welcome this afternoon the first of today's three commercial mascots, seven year old Alfie Johnson. Alfie, who lives in Flitwick, attends Timperfield School and as well as football, also plays cricket and golf. His favourite Luton player is Carlos Edwards and he regularly comes to Kenilworth Road with his Uncles.

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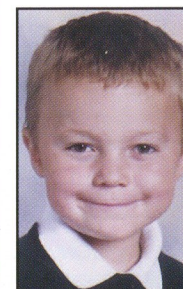
We are delighted to welcome back to Kenilworth Road this afternoon, Geoff Owen, his family, together with the guests of G. Owen Ceramic Tiling Ltd, as Matchball Sponsors. Having been associated with the club as commercial sponsors, as well as loyal supporters for many years, Geoff and his family need no formal introduction as they can be seen at all home and most away games throughout the season. Although based in Northampton, G. Owen Ceramic Tiling has close links with Luton, which is where the business was originally based, but moved away from town to find larger premises as their business developed. Geoff and his staff have built a big reputation for quality and service, supplying and installing ceramic tiling for the building industry, including being contracted by some of the largest names in home development.

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Ben Porter, our second mascot today, is six years old and also comes from Flitwick, as well as attending Timperfield School. He also enjoys his cricket and golf, as well as his football and his favourite club player is Leon Barnett

Commercial Mascot: Charlie Porter



And now you can all spot the link, as we welcome our third mascot, eight year old Charlie Porter, brother to Ben and close friend of Alfie. Also attending Timperfield School, Charlie plays cricket and golf, together with his football, but this time he confesses to Rowan Vine as his favourite Luton player.

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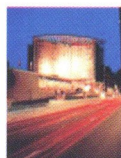
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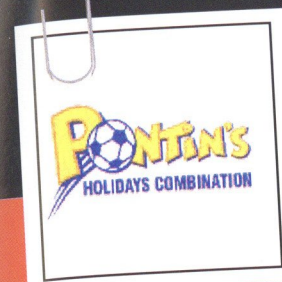


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Reserve

Round-Up

Steven Dove reports from Kenilworth Road as Luton's reserve side left it late against Colchester

Pontin's Holiday Combination League Luton Res 1 (Morgan) Colchester Res 0

Luton's reserves left it late against their Colchester counterparts as Dean Morgan's strike, six minutes from the end, was enough to seal the win at Kenilworth Road.

The Luton midfielder, playing in attack alongside Warren Feeney, made the most of a ricochet off a Colchester defender inside the area, to drill a low shot from ten yards into the corner of the net.

It was a clinical finish from the former Colchester player, who had earlier came close when his acute angle shot almost spun over the goal line after U's goalkeeper Dean Gerken felt the force of a powerful shot.

Luton named a strong side with nine first-team players in the starting line-up, including Richard Langley, who operated on the left side of midfield, and Russell Perrett who continued his comeback from injury.

There were also appearances for Edward Asafu-Adjaye, who gave a solid performance at the heart of Luton's defence, and Shaun Ross.

After a slow start, with very little between the two sides, Luton began to make the presence felt with Morgan going close, before Feeney forced Gerken into a smart save.

The Northern Ireland international latched onto Morgan's pass on 15

minutes and, after making room for himself inside the area, the striker side foot a shot that Gerken saved at full stretch, tipping the ball around a post.

Despite enjoying plenty of possession, Colchester rarely troubled Luton goalkeeper Dean Brill, although they did come close on 21 minutes, but Luton were saved thanks to some brilliant defending from Asafu-Adjaye.

Garry Richards' deep free-kick wasn't dealt with by the Luton defence and as Stephen Opoko miss-timed a header, the ball fell kindly to Jamie Guy, whose fierce drive was bravely blocked by Asafu-Adjaye.

Colchester began to insert some pressure on the Luton goal and on 33 minutes Guy found space on the edge of the area, but tamely shot straight into the arms of Brill.

The Luton goalkeeper was again called upon to make a key save just three minutes later when Guy latched onto Anthony Wordsworth's through ball, but despite racing through in the clear, Brill stood tall and blocked the striker's shot.

The second half saw Luton dominate early on as Feeney stole in front of his marker on 51 minutes, drilling an effort inches wide.

Moments later Langley found space in midfield, but his surging run and shot failed to trouble Gerken.

On 61 minutes, a Danny Stevens corner was almost turned home by

Russell Perrett, but the defender saw his header blocked by the Colchester defence.

Zac Barrett, who had replaced Brill at half-time, produced a splendid save from the impressive Guy on 75 minutes, when the Luton youngster was at full stretch to keep out the striker's effort.

The game was looking as if it was heading for a draw, but Morgan's late strike gave Luton the win, despite a late onslaught from the visitors.

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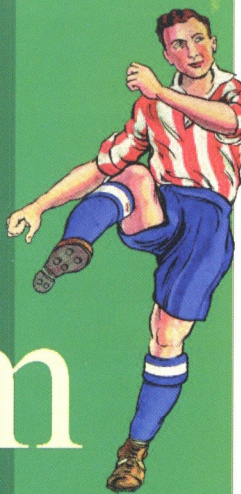
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August		
Tue 15	Leyton Orient	D 2-2
Tue 29	MK Dons	W 8-0
September		
Tue 19	Southend United	L 3-1
October		
Wed 18	Norwich City	L 0-4
Tue 24	Oxford United	P-P
November		
Tue 07	Stevenage Borough	W - 3-1
Tue 14	Colchester	W 1-0
December		
Tues 5	Ipswich Town	7:00pm
Wed 13	Northampton Town	2:00pm
January		
Tue 9	Leyton Orient	2:00pm
Tues 23	Southend United	2:00pm
February		
Mon 5	Oxford United	2:00pm
Wed 21	Stevenage Borough	7:00pm
March		
Tue 6	Norwich City	2:00pm
Tue 20	MK Dons	2:00pm
April		
Tue 3	Northampton	2:00pm
Tue 10	Ipswich Town	2:00pm
Wed 25	Colchester United	2:00pm

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Ipswich	7	6	0	1	23	6	18
Southend	6	4	0	2	12	7	12
Luton	6	3	1	2	16	10	10
Leyton Orient	6	2	4	0	9	5	10
Colchester	7	2	3	2	6	7	9
Norwich City	8	2	3	3	12	15	9
MK Dons	6	3	0	3	9	14	9
Northampton	5	2	1	2	5	6	7
Stevenage	7	1	1	5	5	12	4
Oxford	6	0	1	5	5	20	1

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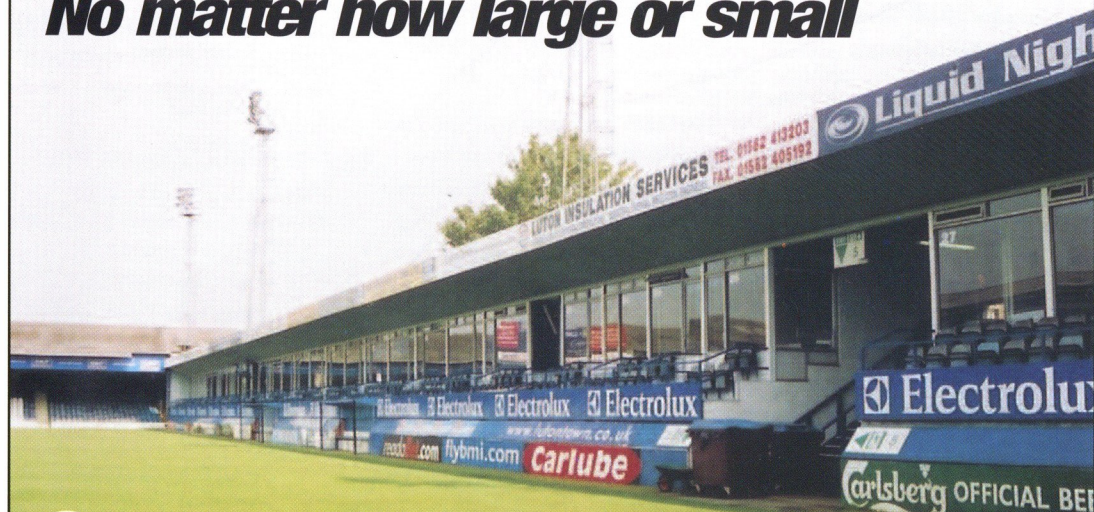
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League

Round Up

**Steven Dove looks back over the weekend action
from the Championship**

Cardiff City and Birmingham City both won while Preston North End were held by Southend.

Cardiff extended their Championship lead to two points with Riccardo Scimeca's goal giving them a slender 1-0 success over Burnley.

Preston lost ground on The Bluebirds after being held to a goalless draw against bottom-of-the-table Southend at Roots Hall.

Birmingham City are now level with The Lilywhites after they beat Barnsley 2-0 at St Andrews.

In-form Gary McSheffrey put Blues ahead, although they had to wait until injury time until Neil Danns made the points safe.

Derby County are up into fifth after securing an impressive 2-1 victory over Coventry City at The

Ricoh Arena.

Jon Stead's first goal for The Rams put the visitors in front although Stern John levelled matters for The Sky Blues.

However, Steve Howard's header after 76 minutes ensured Derby left with the three-point haul.

Stoke heaped more misery on Crystal Palace after Darel Russell's 38th minute goal gave The Potters a 1-0 win at Selhurst Park.

Leeds United remain inside the drop zone despite securing an impressive 3-0 Elland Road win over Colchester United.

Robbie Blake's goal put The Whites ahead before Richard Cresswell's header and Blake's second from the penalty spot wrapped up the points.

Hull City are ahead of Leeds on

goal difference thanks to their 2-0 home win over high-flying Wolves.

Goals either side of half time from Craig Fagan and Stuart Elliott ensured The Tigers secured their fourth win of the campaign.

Sheffield Wednesday are another side in form and continued their good run with a 2-0 success at Ipswich Town.

Marcus Tudgay's early goal put The Owls in front with Madjid Bougherra's late effort confirming the points.

Norwich City have closed to within a point of West Brom following a 1-0 win at The Hawthorns.

Baggies old boy Robert Earnshaw was the villain for the home side after netting the winner after 57 minutes.

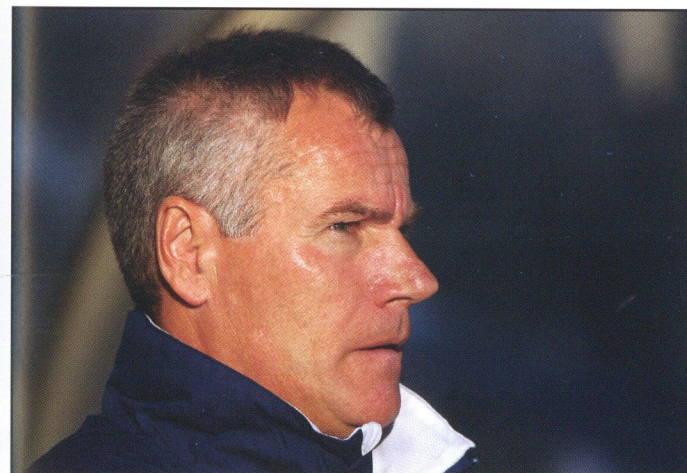
Gareth Bale's injury-time goal claimed a late point for Southampton at Sunderland.

Ross Wallace's 62nd goal looked like giving The Black Cats the points before Bale struck.

Leicester twice led Plymouth at The Walkers Stadium before being held in a 2-2 draw.

Iain Hume put The Foxes ahead, but Leicester old boy Lilian Nalis levelled matters just minutes later.

Levi Porter restored the home side's lead although Barry Hayles' injury-time strike secured a late share of the spoils.



Crystal Palace boss Peter Taylor is under pressure following a 1-0 defeat to Stoke



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Stuart Smith brings us the latest news from the Community Department



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We would like to welcome today's special guests, Luton Town Ladies Under 11's, who are here as part of our Saturday Matchday Club

Payment for the course is £4 per night, or £70.00 block booking for the 20 weeks to be paid in advance. Cheques should be made payable to Luton Town Football in the Community. All you need to enroll is to complete the form below and post it to Stuart Smith, Luton Town FC at the address below:

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Luton Town

Ladies

Dave Baker looks back on the latest news from the Luton Town Ladies side

Today we will feature our Under 11 squad, some of whom have already been with the club for three years and have been very successful throughout their short Luton careers. Last season they finished runners-up in an age group containing 23 other clubs and also reached the League Cup Final falling at the last hurdle to a very powerful Tottenham team.

This season has seen them bring more success to the club as they have just a single defeat to their name and are again just three points away from the summit. Those girls who have contributed so far this season, and are pictured below, are Katie Dickerson in goal, Chloe Scott, Chloe O'Neill, Daisy Jackson-Clark, Kally Wilson, Kerry Keyte, Amy Runciman, Ceylon Hickman, Chelsea Martin and Shannon Crampsie. Today they will be displaying their skills on the pitch at half time and are actively looking for new team mates to join them especially for their first venture into 11 a side football in 2007. If you are interested in joining the squad then please ring me on 01582 891640.

Our successful mini soccer section continues to also thrive in the shape of the Under 10 team, who are coached by three first team players. Their input over the past months has proved vital as the girls have already acquired a reputation for playing quick passing football and that was again in evidence when they demolished Hoddesdon 9-0 last week. Rebecca Reeve continued her form in front of goal with five and there were also goals for Abby Kunert, Kristy Keyte, Kayleigh Nias and an own goal.

The First Team were incredibly unlucky in their FA Cup tie at home to Enfield Town. In a game they dominated from the start, we took a first half lead when Fay Howell's cross was won by Rebecca Kane in the air and Janine Daly did well to squeeze the loose ball into the net on the half volley. In a fiercely contested game, the Enfield keeper made a couple of vital stops and as the tie reached the 90th minute, Enfield were awarded a hotly disputed penalty and converted their only meaningful shot of the match to take the game into extra time. Having seemingly won the tie Luton were unable to lift their game again and even-

tually went down 3-1 at the end of extra time. The players were especially disappointed to not only have been denied their first ever appearance in the third round, but also to lose out on a vital £350 in prize money.

The Under 15 squad set about restoring the balance travelling to current leaders Enfield Town and they had no such problems in hitting the net taking a three goal lead through goals from Lozza Bilston, Yasmin Hickling and Claire Mangan. The home side did pull a goal back but it was not enough to prevent Town taking all three points.

During the past week women in football have come under the spotlight. Fortunately for us all there are differences between men and women and those should be celebrated. It is a fact that the fastest and strongest man is stronger than the fastest and strongest woman. They also play football differently, although the surroundings and Laws remain the same. Women are not as strong, most not as quick but they are no less skilful I can assure you. It is a tactically different game and played at a lower tempo, but it is certainly no less enjoyable for all those involved. There is no pot of gold at the end of the rainbow for our players and those of us involved all have total admiration for all the time and effort they dedicate in representing Luton Town.

We have all seen the good, and not so good, officials of both genders. I personally have only ever concerned myself with an officials performance and not their gender. A number of my players are in fact qualified referees and when the question of female officials was raised with them they just shrugged it off and none felt personally offended by any comments made. One very pertinent point which was raised was the appointment of three male officials for last seasons Women's FA Cup Final.



□ The Luton Ladies Under-11 team

Action Replay

vs Queens Park Rangers,
Saturday 11th November 2006



LUTON 2 QPR 3

Luton Scorers: Boyd (45), Brkovic (45)
Attendance: 9,007

Picture: Adam Boyd get
the better of Marcus
Bignot during our 3-2
defeat against QPR at
Kenilworth Road





Luton: Brill, Foley, Edwards, Robinson (Morgan 85), Vine (Feeney 85), Emanuel, Brkovic, Boyd, Barnett, Heikkinen, Bell

Subs not used: Perrett, Holmes, Barrett

Bookings: None

Goals: Boyd (45), Brkovic (45)



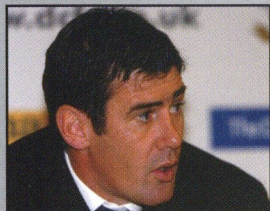
QPR: Royce, Bignot, Rehman, Ainsworth, Cook, Bailey, Stewart, Nygaard, Blackstock (Gallen 80, Ward 89), Smith, Mancienne

Subs not used: Milanese, Jones, Baidoo

Bookings: Blackstock (75)

Goals: Smith (33), Heikkinen (51 og), Blackstock (54)

From the Manager



"I thought we were the better side, again. We had the chances before they scored, and we had all of the play before they scored. We deserved to be going in at half-time at 2-1. We've defended poorly immediately after half time. The equalising goal was never a corner. It was a goal kick. Just a bad decision from the lineswoman."



Adam Boyd and Damion Stewart tussle for possession



Ahmet Brkovic slides for goal

LUTON 2 QPR 3

By Philip Francis

Luton ended on the wrong side of a five goal thriller as Mike Newell's side slumped to their fourth league defeat on the spin against QPR.

On a positive note, Luton found their touch in front of goal, after failing to score in their last four matches, but sloppy defender was to cost the Hatters as QPR came from behind to take all three points back to West London. The result means Luton have conceded 17 goals in their last five games.

Despite controlling long periods of the first half, Luton found themselves behind to virtually the visitors first meaningful attack of the game. The visitors took the lead, totally against the run of play, when a cross from the right was turned in by Jimmy Smith to stun the home crowd.

Despair turned to joy a minute from half time when Adam Boyd opened his league account for the season after good work from Steve Robinson. Seconds later Ahmet Brkovic headed a second goal to send Luton into an interval lead.

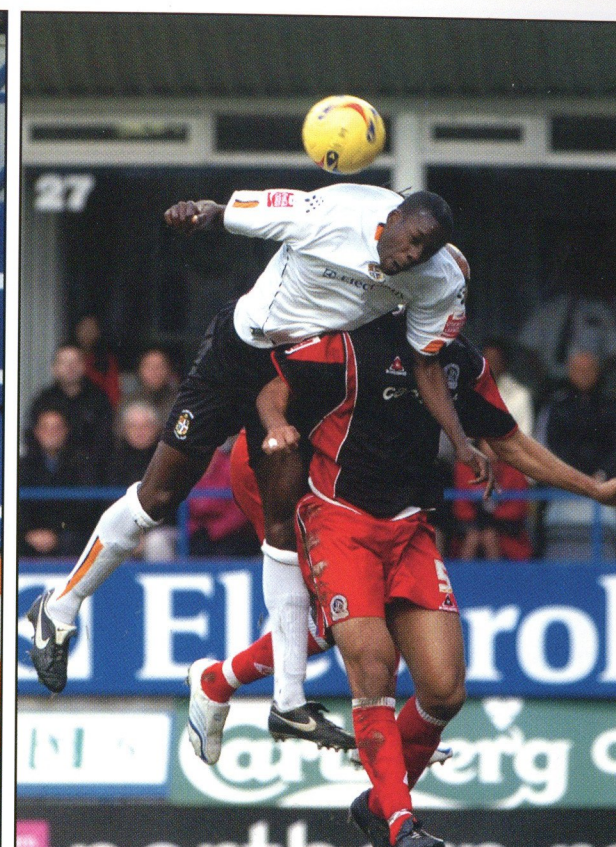
The Londoners started the second period quicker and took the lead from a corner as Markus Heikkinen saw the ball deflect off his shoulder from the resulting kick.

Another corner minutes later proved to be Luton's undoing when Dexter Blackstock fired home after a goalmouth scramble.

Luton pushed forward but created little other than an effort by Carlos Edwards that went agonisingly over the crossbar.



Ahmet Brkovic celebrates his goal, to put Luton into the lead



Leon Barnett wins the header against QPR's Zeshan Rehman



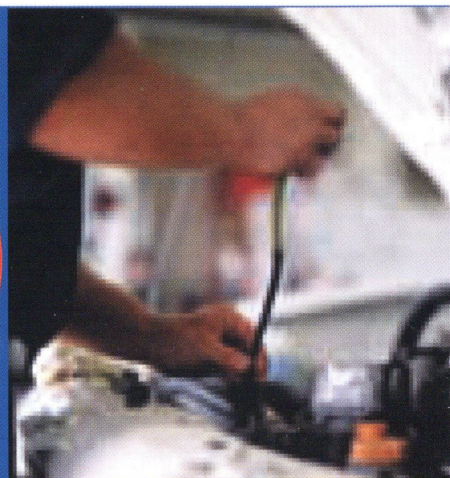
Carlos Edwards is taken down by Marcus Bignot, but no penalty decision is awarded



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MANAGERIAL RECORDS

Mike Newell

Played 155 Won 69 Drawn 40 Lost 46
For 247 Against 212
Av Pts/game 1.59
Biggest Win(s) Luton 5 Bristol City 0
(05/03/2005). Biggest Loss(es) Ipswich
5 Luton 0 (29/10/2006).

Billy Davies

Played 17 Won 8 Drawn 4 Lost 5 For
26 Against 23
Av Pts/game 1.65
Biggest Win(s) Derby 3 Southend 0
(30/09/2006). Biggest Loss(es)
Plymouth 3 Derby 1 (15/10/2006).

MANAGER HEAD TO HEAD RECORD

Played ..2	Mike Newell.....1	Billy Davies1
Draws ..0	Goals 4	Goals 5

Player with the most...

shots

Rowan
Vine 43

shots on target

Rowan
Vine 24

shots off target

Rowan
Vine 19

assists

Lewis
Emanuel 3

crosses

Carlos
Edwards 43

fouls

Rowan
Vine 36

free-kicks-won

Rowan
Vine 27



Player with the most...

shots

Steve
Howard 42

shots on target

Steve
Howard 23

shots off target

Steve
Howard 19

assists

Morten
Bisgaard 3

crosses

Mohammed
Camara 23

fouls

Steve
Howard 57

free-kicks-won

Steve
Howard 34

SHARP SHOOTERS

Luton	CCFC Cup	Tot	Derby	CCFC Cup	Tot
Rowan Vine	8	1	9	6	1
Carlos Edwards	5	0	5	5	1
Ahmet Brkovic	2	0	2	4	0

TEAM HEAD TO HEAD RECORD

Played.....34	Luton wins.....14	Derby wins.....11
Draws.....9	Goals 41 (1.2 per game)	Goals 41 (1.2 per game)
0-0's.....4	Times failed to score 8	Times failed to score 12

Biggest League win at Luton for each team:

29/04/1989 Luton 3-0 Derby
17/10/1992 Luton 1-3 Derby



2006/07 LEAGUE STATS

16	Position	5
17	Played	17
6	Won	8
4	Drawn	4
7	Lost	5
25	Goals For	26
31	Goals Against	23
22	Points	28

Record Against Top Half of Table

W	D	L	RANK	W	D	L	RANK
1	3	5	21	2	4	4	10

Record Against Bottom Half of Table

W	D	L	RANK	W	D	L	RANK
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Record When Scoring First

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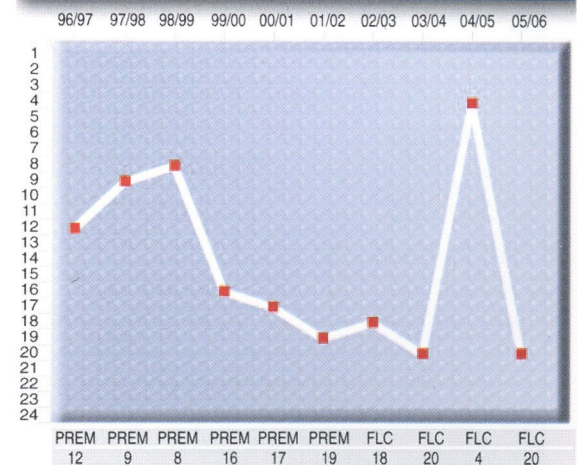
Record When Conceding First

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1	1	6	17	3	1	4	1

Match Scores

Wins: 1-0[1], 2-0[1], 2-1[2], 3-2[1],
5-1[1], Losses: 0-1[1], 0-2[1], 0-3[1],
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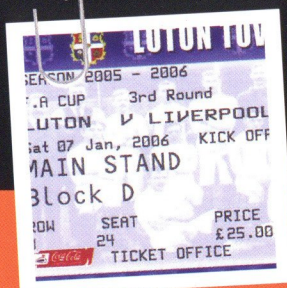
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December 22nd - 10.00am until 6.00pm

The Club Shop and the Ticket Office will be closed on December 24th, 25th and 26th and then normal hours thereafter.



COCA-COLA CHAMPIONSHIP
SOUTHAMPTON V LUTON TOWN
Saturday 25th November 2006
Kick-Off 3:00pm



THIS IS AN ALL TICKET FIXTURE FOR LUTON SUPPORTERS

ALLOCATION: We have been allocated 2330 tickets in the Northam Stand. There are also 10 spaces for wheelchair users together with a carer, and nine spaces for ambulant disabled together with a carer.

SELLING ARRANGEMENTS: Tickets are currently on general sale until 12 noon on 24/11/06 (subject to availability).

TICKET PRICES: Tickets for this fixture are priced as follows.

Adult £22.00
Teenagers (13-19 yrs) £17.00
Juniors (12 and under) £11.00
Seniors (65 and over) £17.00

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COCA-COLA CHAMPIONSHIP
PLYMOUTH ARGYLE V LUTON TOWN
Tuesday 28th November 2006
Kick-Off 7:45pm



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ALLOCATION: We have been allocated 1122 in the Barn Park Stand.

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COCA-COLA CHAMPIONSHIP
LUTON TOWN V PRESTON NORTH END
Saturday 2nd December 2006
Kick-Off 3:00pm



Tickets are on sale at normal pre-match day prices.
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COCA-COLA CHAMPIONSHIP
SUNDERLAND V LUTON TOWN
Saturday 9th December 2006
Kick-Off 3:00pm



THIS IS AN ALL TICKET FIXTURE FOR LUTON SUPPORTERS

ALLOCATION: We have been allocated 941 in the South Stand.

SELLING ARRANGEMENTS: Tickets will go on sale 1 ticket per season ticket holder until 17/11/06, then 1 ticket per member from 18/11/06 until 01/12/06. Any remaining tickets will go on general sale on 02/12/06 until 5pm on 08/12/06 (subject to availability).

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TRAVEL GUIDE



By Car: Take the M1 southbound, onto the M25 towards the M3. Travel down the M3 until you reach the A33 into Southampton. Continue on the A33 until you reach the junction with the A3024 Northam Road and turn left onto this road towards Northam. Then turn right onto the B3038, Britannia Road for the stadium.

Parking: There is hardly any parking available at the stadium for away fans and there are parking restrictions in force for the local area. Most fans seem to be just heading for the city centre car parks and then embarking on the 15-20 minute walk to the stadium.



By Car: Take the M1 southbound to the junction of the M25. Take the turn off signposted for the M4 and exit the M25 at junction 15, signposted for the M4. Continue on the M4 until you reach junction 15, where you take the M5 to the South West. Continue to the end of the motorway travelling onto the A38 (The ground is well signposted from the outskirts of Plymouth on the A38). On entering Plymouth, turn left onto the A386 (towards Plymouth). When this road splits into two, keep on the left hand side (sign posted Plymouth) and after about a mile you will see the ground on your left. The ground is well signposted 'Plymouth Argyle Home Park' on the way into Plymouth.

Parking: There is quite a large car park at the ground, which is free. It is operated on a 'first in before the game, first out after the game basis'.

SUPPORTERS CLUBS

Town on Tour will be leaving Maple Road at 10:30am. The fare for LTSC members is £14, £12 concessions and £16 non-members. To book seats for this trip, visit the supporters kiosk or phone 07960 567465. You can book online by visiting the fans section of www.lutontown.co.uk or via www.lutontownfc.co.uk

The Bobbers Travel Club will depart from Cranfield at 9:30am and Luton at 10:30am. Costs for this trip is £14.50 adults and £12.00 child and OAP. Supporters wishing to book their place for this trip should visit the Bobbers Travel Kiosk, at the back of the Kenilworth Road end of the ground, or telephone 01234 856542.

SUPPORTERS CLUBS

Town on Tour will be leaving Maple Road at 12:00pm. The fare for LTSC members is £26, £23 concessions and £29 non-members. To book seats for this trip, visit the supporters kiosk or phone 07960 567465. You can book online by visiting the fans section of www.lutontown.co.uk or via www.lutontownfc.co.uk

The Bobbers Travel Club will depart from Cranfield at 11:30am and Luton at 12:30am. Costs for this trip is £23.50 adults and £19.00 child and OAP. Supporters wishing to book their place for this trip should visit the Bobbers Travel Kiosk, at the back of the Kenilworth Road end of the ground, or telephone 01234 856542.



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2006/2007 Appearances

	This Season								International App			Luton Town Career	
	League		Cup		Total		Disciplinary		Nation	Caps	Gls	App	Gls
	App	Gls	App	Gls	App	Gls	Yel	Red					
1 Marlon BERESFORD	17	0	3	0	20	0	0	1	Rep U21 (plus Rep 'B')	2	0	121	0
2 Kevin FOLEY	16	0	1(2)	0	17(2)	0	0	0				141	5
3 Sol DAVIS	11(1)	0	2	0	13(1)	0	1	0				167	2
4 Chris COYNE	1(3)	0	1	0	2(3)	0	0	0				210	15
5 Russell PERRETT	0(1)	0	0	0	0(1)	0	0	0				97	8
6 Paul UNDERWOOD	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	Trin & Tob	3	0	69	5
7 Carlos EDWARDS	16	5	2(1)	0	18(1)	5	1	0				62	7
8 Steve ROBINSON	15	0	1	0	16	0	0	0				151	11
9 Rowan VINE	17	8	1(2)	1	18(2)	9	4	0				101	29
10 Warren FEENEY	8(4)	0	2	1	10(4)	1	0	0		N Ireland	(5)	0	64
11 Dean MORGAN	7(7)	1	3	1	10(7)	2	0	0				54	8
14 Michael LEARY	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0				31	3
15 Stephen O'LEARY	2(1)	0	2	0	4(1)	0	0	0				32	2
16 Lewis EMANUEL	13	1	0	0	13	1	2	1	Rep 'B'		1	0	13
17 Richard LANGLEY	13	1	1	0	14	1	1	0				14	1
18 Ahmet BRKOVIC	2(4)	2	2(1)	0	4(5)	2	0	0				202	37
19 Sam PARKIN	7(1)	1	0	0	7(1)	1	1	0				7	1
20 Adam BOYD	2(7)	1	2	1	4(7)	2	0	0				11	2
21 Keith KEANE	1(1)	0	3	0	4(1)	0	1	0	Finland			52	2
22 Danny STEVENS	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0				1	0
24 Shaun ROSS	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0				0	0
25 Leon BARNETT	17	2	3	0	20	2	3	0				47	2
26 Markus HEIKKINEN	15	1	0	0	15	1	2	0		4	0	55	3
27 Peter HOLMES	1	0	2	0	3	0	1	0				123	12
28 David BELL	4(1)	2	3	0	7(1)	2	1	0				17	2
29 Calvin ANDREW	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0				11	1
33 Dean BRILL	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0				13	0
34 Zac BARRETT	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0				0	0
35 Chris PENDLETON	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0			0	0	

(SUBSTITUTE APPEARANCES IN BRACKETS) (THIS SEASON AND INTERNATIONAL STATISTICS INCLUDE ALL COMPETITIVE FIXTURES FROM 1ST JULY)

ALL THE GOALS

HOW THEY WENT IN:

SHOTS: 21 HEADERS: 6
PENALTIES: 2 OWN GOALS: 0
FREE-KICKS: 0 TOTAL: 29

A GAME OF TWO HALVES

FIRST HALF RECORD:

PLAYED 18 - W 8 - D 5 - L 5 - F 13 - A 12 PTS 29

SECOND HALF RECORD:

PLAYED 18 - W 6 - D 3 - L 9 - F 14 - A 21 PTS 21

OTHER INTERESTING STATS

Luton Town score first goal: 10
Opponents score first goal: 9
No goals scored: 1

Luton Town score first and win: 6
Luton Town score first and draw: 3
Luton Town score first and lose: 1
Luton Town fail to score: 6

Opponents score first and win: 7
Opponents score first and draw: 1
Opponents score first and lose: 1
Opponents fail to score: 3

Luton goals at the Kenilworth Road End: 12
Luton goals at the Oak Road End: 7
Opponents goals at the Kenilworth Road End: 8
Opponents goals at the Oak Road End: 6

THE KEY: Scorer in **Bold** ■ Cautioned; □ Dismissed; *Denotes own goal in Luton's favour * Match to be shown on Sky Sports, CC = Carling Cup
◆ Luton win on penalties → First Substitution → Second Substitution → Third Substitution

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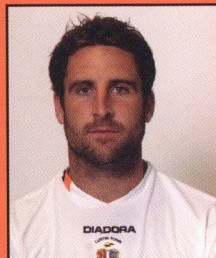
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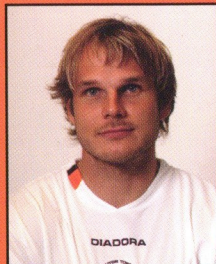
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DATE	FIXTURE	RES	ATT	AWAY	POS
Sat 5	LEICESTER CITY*	2-0	8,131	1,198	2
Tues 8	Sheffield Wednesday	1-0	22,613	719	3
Sat 12	Norwich City	2-3	22,863	1,221	6
Sat 19	STOKE CITY	2-2	7,727	614	5
Tues 22	Bristol Rovers (CC1)	1-1◆	2,882	275	-
Sat 26	Wolves	0-1	19,378	1,069	10
Sat 9	CRYSTAL PALACE	2-1	9,187	1,800	6
Tues 12	COLCHESTER UNITED	1-1	7,609	429	7
Sat 16	Cardiff City	1-4	14,108	329	12
Tues 19	Brentford (CC2)	3-0	3,005	598	-
Sat 23	WBA	2-2	9,332	1,737	12
Sat 30	Barnsley	2-1	10,175	738	11
Sat 14	BIRMINGHAM CITY	3-2	9,275	1,503	7
Tues 17	Hull City	0-0	14,895	232	7
Sat 21	LEEDS UNITED	5-1	10,260	1,800	5
Tues 24	Everton (CC3)	0-4	27,149	2,334	-
Sun 29	Ipswich Town*	0-5	20,975	tbc	9
Tues 31	BURNLEY	0-2	7,664	698	9
Sat 4	Preston North End	0-3	13,094	tbc	12
Sat 11	QPR	2-3	9,007	1,533	16
Sat 18	DERBY COUNTY	15:00			
Sat 25	Southampton	15:00			
Tues 28	Plymouth Argyle	19:45			
Sat 02	PRESTON NORTH END	15:00			
Sat 09	Sunderland	15:00			
Fri 15	SOUTHEND UNITED*	19:45			
Sat 23	COVENTRY CITY	15:00			
Tues 26	Colchester United	15:00			
Fri 29	Birmingham City*	19:45			
Mon 1	CARDIFF CITY	15:00			
Sat 6	FA CUP THIRD ROUND	tbc			
Fri 12	WBA*	15:00			
Sat 20	BARNSLEY	15:00			
Tues 30	Coventry City	19:45			
Sat 3	Leicester City	15:00			
Sat 10	NORWICH CITY	15:00			
Sat 17	Stoke City	15:00			
Tues 20	SHEFFIELD WEDNESDAY	19:45			
Sat 24	Crystal Palace	15:00			
Sat 3	WOLVES	15:00			
Sat 10	Leeds United	15:00			
Tues 13	HULL CITY	19:45			
Sat 17	IPSWICH TOWN	15:00			
Sat 31	Burnley	15:00			
Sat 7	SOUTHAMPTON	15:00			
Mon 9	QPR	15:00			
Sat 14	PLYMOUTH ARGYLE	15:00			
Sat 21	Derby County	15:00			
Sat 28	Southend United	15:00			
Sun 6	SUNDERLAND	tbc			

PLAYERS MEET THE FANS



Club captain Chris Coyne and Finland international defender Markus Heikkinen are the guests at the next Luton Town Supporters Club's Meet the Players evening next week.



The night takes place on Monday in the Eric Morecambe Suite at Kenilworth Road at 7:30pm.

Tickets are £3 members and £5 non-members. Tickets for this evening are available to purchase at the Supporters' Club kiosk at the ground before today's game

LUTON FANS DONATE TO CHARITY



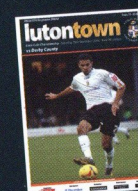
Luton Town Supporters Club member, John Heley and Ryan Canney made a recent visit to Keech Cottage. Both presented a cheque of £518 to Mark Relf, a fund raiser for the charity, after the money was collected at a recent Directors Forum at Vauxhall Recreation Centre.

2006/07 CHAMPIONSHIP TABLE

	HOME					AWAY					Pts	GD
	P	W	D	L	F A	P	W	D	L	F A		
Cardiff	17	6	2	0	16 4	5	1	3	15	12	36	15
Preston	17	7	2	0	18 5	2	4	2	11	11	33	13
Birmingham	17	5	2	1	13 7	5	1	3	10	8	33	8
Burnley	17	5	1	3	15 10	4	3	1	11	5	31	11
Derby	17	3	3	2	11 8	5	1	3	15	15	28	3
West Brom	17	5	2	1	17 8	2	3	4	11	11	26	9
Plymouth	17	2	5	2	13 11	4	3	1	11	8	26	5
Wolves	17	6	1	2	12 7	2	1	5	3	13	26	-5
Norwich	17	5	1	2	14 9	2	3	4	9	18	25	-4
Stoke	17	4	3	1	12 4	2	3	4	11	11	24	8
Colchester	17	6	0	2	17 8	1	3	5	7	13	24	3
Southampton	17	4	3	1	8 3	2	3	4	13	15	24	3
Sheff Wed	17	4	2	3	13 12	2	3	3	7	10	23	-2
Leicester	17	4	3	2	12 9	1	4	3	6	10	22	-1
Coventry	17	4	1	3	9 6	3	0	6	6	10	22	-1
LUTON	17	4	3	2	19 14	2	1	5	6	17	22	-6
Ipswich	17	4	1	4	16 15	2	2	4	10	11	21	0
QPR	17	3	3	3	16 15	2	3	3	13	15	21	-1
Sunderland	17	3	2	3	10 8	3	0	6	11	16	20	-3
C Palace	17	3	1	5	8 11	2	2	4	11	14	18	-6
Hull City	17	2	2	4	8 9	2	2	5	6	12	16	-7
Leeds	17	4	0	5	10 13	1	1	6	9	20	16	-1
Barnsley	17	2	3	3	12 13	2	0	7	10	21	15	-1
Southend	17	2	3	4	12 16	0	2	6	3	15	11	-1

TODAY'S OTHER CHAMPIONSHIP FIXTURES

Birmingham v Wolves
Crystal Palace v Barnsley
Coventry v Sheff Wed
Hull City v Stoke
Leeds v Southampton
Leicester v Preston
Southend v Plymouth
Sunderland v Colchester
West Brom v Burnley



Luton's Matchday Programme
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David Bell Quiz: Birmingham

Coming Next to Kenilworth Road



**Luton Town v
Preston North End**
Saturday 2nd December 2006, Kick-Off 3:00pm

By Des O'Donnell

Preston's positive approach to life is paying off as they set sail on a different course towards another promotion push for the Premiership. Defeat in last season's play-off semi-finals sparked a summer of discontent at Deepdale. Manager Billy Davies departed for Derby in acrimonious circumstances. Several of his backroom staff followed him and key defender Claude Davis took the short-cut to the top-flight by joining Sheffield United. Even captain Graham Alexander admitted there must have been some doubts circulating about Preston's prospects of remaining as one of the Championship's top clubs. But thanks to the winning mentality of new manager Paul Simpson and an emphasis on entertaining football, North End have dusted themselves down and taken off again.

Due to some peculiar fixture planning, Luton will play Preston in the league again, four weeks after the Hatters made the trip to Lancashire. The match finished in a 3-0 defeat for Luton with Marlon Beresford being sent off for bringing a player down. Graham Alexander converted the ensuing penalty - Patrick Agyemang and former Southampton striker Brett Ormerod adding to Luton's woes. Mike Newell tried in vain to have the red card rescinded, but the FA refused.

For Marlon it must have been a case of déjà vu, after being sent off in the same fixture last season. Luton lost 5-1 with goals from Neal, Nugent, Mears (scored 2, one an own goal), Sedgwick and Davis. At Kenilworth Road the Hatters picked up the points in a 3-0 victory with Feeney, Brkovic and Howard getting on the score sheet.

The top striker for Preston at the moment is former Bury player Simon Whaley, who has netted six so far this season. Two other players to watch out for are Patrick Agyemang a pacy and powerful forward who signed from Gillingham for £300,000 and Journeyman Danny Dichio who helped West Bromwich Albion and Sunderland to the Premiership.

Preston are in the process of completing some major developments at Deepdale which will increase its capacity to 30,000. Seats they will be hoping to fill in the premiership next season if they continue on their current course. Luton may not be joining them on their ascent to the promised-land, but will make sure that at least some of the journey will be stoney underfoot!



Head 2 Head

	Luton	Draw	Preston
League	10	9	22
FA Cup	0	0	2
League Cup	0	0	0
Total	10	9	24

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team sheet



LUTON TOWN

Manager: Mike Newell

Player Score



MARLON BERESFORD	1
KEVIN FOLEY	2
SOL DAVIS	3
CHRIS COYNE	4
RUSSELL PERRETT	5
PAUL UNDERWOOD	6
CARLOS EDWARDS	7
STEVE ROBINSON	8
ROWAN VINE	9
WARREN FEENEY	10
DEAN MORGAN	11
MICHAEL LEARY	14
STEPHEN O'LEARY	15
LEWIS EMANUEL	16
RICHARD LANGLEY	17
AHMET BRKOVIC	18
SAM PARKIN	19
ADAM BOYD	20
KEITH KEANE	21
DANNY STEVENS	22
SHAUN ROSS	24
LEON BARNETT	25
MARKUS HEIKKINEN	26
PETER HOLMES	27
DAVID BELL	28
CALVIN ANDREW	29
DEAN BRILL	33
ZAC BARRETT	34
CHRIS PENDLETON	35

DERBY COUNTY

Manager: Billy Davies

Player Score



1 LEE CAMP	
2 MARC EDWORTHY	
3 MOHAMMED CAMARA	
4 ADAM BOLDER	
5 DEAN LEACOCK	
6 MICHAEL JOHNSON	
8 MORTEN BISGAARD	
9 STEVE HOWARD	
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15 RYAN SMITH	
16 ARTURO LUPOLI	
17 PAUL BOERTIEN	
18 SETH JOHNSON	
19 NATHAN DOYLE	
20 LEE HOLMES	
21 ROBERT MALCOLM	
22 MATT OAKLEY	
23 DARREN MOORE	
28 GILES BARNES	
29 LIONEL AINSWORTH	
30 LEWIN NYATANGA	
31 JAMES MEREDITH	
32 TOM CUMBERWORTH	
33 THEO STREETE	
35 STEVEN CANN	
43 STEPHEN BYWATER	

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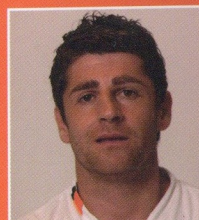
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Steve Robinson is 16/1 to score the first goal against Derby County this afternoon