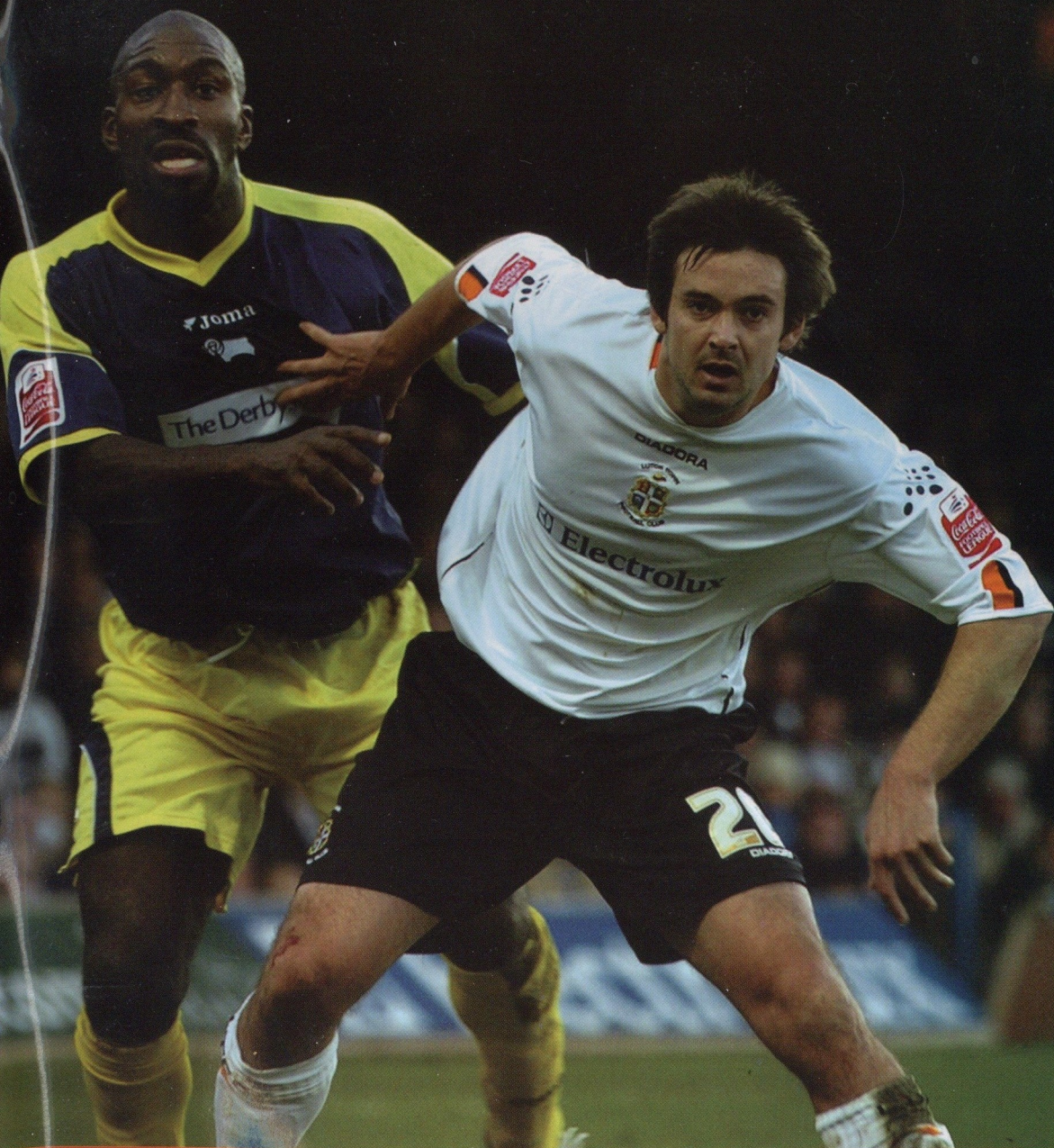
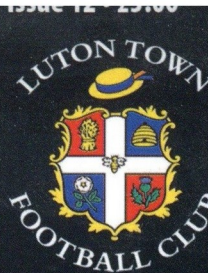


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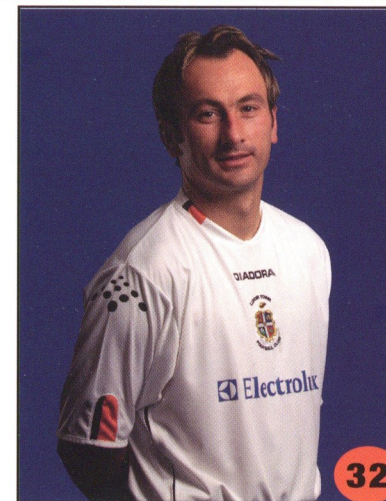
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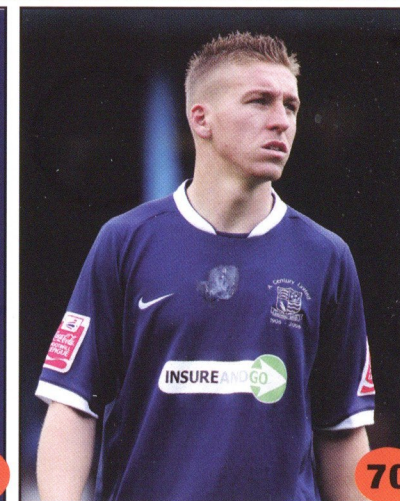
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FROM THE EDITOR

After two lengthy trips away from Kenilworth Road, it's nice to be back around familiar surroundings this afternoon for today's game against Preston North End. Some supporters may have seen on our official website that the matchday programme recently received an excellent review from the Programme Monthly magazine. Following on from our CMMA Programme of the Year award two seasons ago, this is another excellent achievement for the club. A lot of hard work goes into producing the matchday programme on a match-by-match basis and I would like to thank the team, Geoff Knox, Chris Rivett, Gareth Owen and all the contributors for their tireless work so far. I would also like to give special mention to our printers, Regal Litho, who offer us an excellent service. Inside today's publication we have interviews with Ahmet Brkovic and on loan goalkeeper Dean Kiely, as well as catching up with former Hatters defender Graham Alexander, the current skipper of today's opponents. We also include all our regular features as well as looking at the latest news from the Football League. Remember, you can contact the media department on programme@luton-town.co.uk

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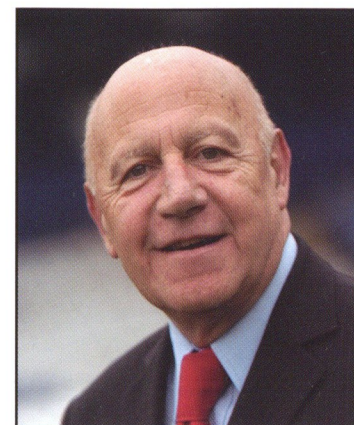
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From the Chairman **Bill Tomlins**



Bill Tomlins,
Luton Town Chairman

Good afternoon and a warm welcome to all our supporters and to our Championship visitors Preston North End, their directors, management, players and supporters.

We started November's campaign playing Preston away at Deepdale, a month that has frustrated everyone connected with the club. We all need to put November behind us and move on, both on and off the field. I know the team needs us all to get behind them and give them the 'Hatters' famed vocal support more than ever, as we start our busy December match schedule.

I take this opportunity on behalf of the club to welcome goalkeeper Dean Kiely to Kenilworth Road on a one-month loan from Portsmouth.

I was saddened to learn of the passing of Richard Larkinson, a long standing supporter and former Vice President of the club for over fourteen years. On behalf of many of us at the club who knew Richard our thoughts and condolences are with his wife Marian and family at this very difficult and sad time.

I have received a nice letter from Luton born Andrea Moore who describes herself as a mad Hatter fan who will next March be endeavouring to climb Mount Everest to raise funds for her Charity. We will be covering her incredible ambition and giving more information on Andrea in the near future on the club website.

I cannot stress enough the importance of continuing to get behind the lads. All that matters on the day is the eleven players on the pitch. I know we all can play a part in lifting the team.

Enjoy the game.

Bill

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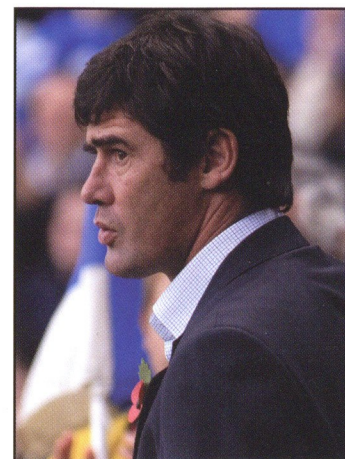
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From the Manager

Mike Newell



Mike Newell
Luton Town Manager

Hello and welcome to Kenilworth Road for today's game against Preston North End. Welcome also to Paul Simpson, his Staff, Players, Directors and Supporters from Deepdale. They are currently top of the table and it will be a difficult game for us.

Goodbye to November and good riddance. I have never had a period like that in my life. If you are ever going to have a bad month in this game, you don't want it to be one with six games in it. I was asked a very strange question this week: With hindsight (which is a wonderful thing) would I have tried to get the game at Ipswich cancelled after what happened to Sol? I don't know who thinks of these things, but with hindsight I would have tried to get the last eight games cancelled.

I don't like losing, in fact I hate it. In sport you have to deal with it but that doesn't mean you have to accept it. I have never been able to accept it since I found out what it feels like when I was a kid. It has taken twenty three and a half years

to experience a run like this and I hope it is another 23 before I experience it again. If anyone thinks I will quit or shy away or that the pressure might get to me, then they obviously do not know me. I get angry and I get annoyed even when things are going well but I don't do pressure. Pressure only gets to people who can't handle it or are not up to the job. As for passion, that comes from within and dancing up and down a touchline does not prove you are passionate.

To quote Rudyard Kipling "If you can keep your head when all about you are losing theirs and blaming it on you ...". I could reel off the whole lot but some would not find it interesting. It is worth reading, believe me.

Enjoy the game and get behind the lads.

Mike Newell

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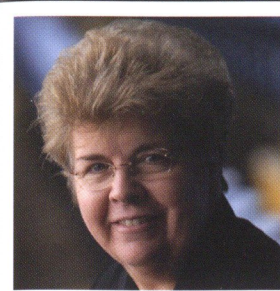
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From the Club Secretary

Cherry Newbery

Good afternoon and welcome to today's match.

Firstly, I have been asked by the Bedfordshire Deaf Children's Society to pass on their gratitude to everyone that supported them with their bucket collection at our last home match and raised the magnificent sum of £666.58

The torrential rain of last Saturday saw our Under 18 match with Gillingham abandoned. The match was rescheduled to be played this morning, and in order to inform supporters we advertised the new details in both the local press and via our official website, www.lutontown.co.uk

Next week sees a few changes to our scheduled match programme, with our Reserve match away at Ipswich, due to be played on Tuesday 5th December, being postponed as Ipswich are experiencing problems with their pitch. No new date has been agreed at the time of writing.

On Wednesday 6th December the Under 18s were due to play Crawley Green Football Club in the Under 18 Floodlit Cup. However, we are now playing in The FA Youth Cup Third Round

here at Kenilworth Road against Huddersfield Town, kick-off 7.00pm. Entry is via Kenilworth Road or Maple Road Bridge turnstiles and the cost of admission is £3 for adults and £1 for senior citizens and children under 16. Please come along and support the team.

Our thanks to Crawley Green FC for their understanding of the late change. The match will now be played in the New Year and we will keep supporters advised in due course.

I have received a letter this week from The Football Association regarding the distribution of the FA Community Shield Fund 2006. The Club is entitled to £5,000 to be distributed between a maximum of three local charities. The criteria are that the charity must be registered with the Charity Commission, and you must provide us with the registration number. The charity must also operate specifically in the local area of the Club. Nominations cannot be accepted for national charities or their local branches. If you would like to nominate a local charity please do call me here at the Club as soon as possible. The closing date for nominations is December 7th.

We are delighted to welcome the boxer

Graham Earl, who is here today as a guest of Mick Connolly. Graham became the current Lightweight WBU Champion last month when he beat the highly-rated Argentinean Angel Hugo Ramirez on points at York Hall. Graham has lived in Luton all his life and is set to receive a civic reception next Tuesday at the Town Hall in honour of all the work he has done for the town. Graham will be coming on to the pitch at half time to say a thank you to the many Luton Town supporters who were at York Hall cheering him on. He will also do the half time Golden Gamble and Youth Lottery draws for us.

Finally, just a reminder that the draw for the FA Cup Third Round takes place live on Sky Sports News this Sunday at 3.15pm. The date for the Third Round matches is the weekend of the 6/7th January 2007.

With Christmas just around the corner I'd like to remind you that both the Ticket Office and Club Shop will have extended hours to assist supporters. Please see page 64 for full details.

Enjoy the match.

Cherry

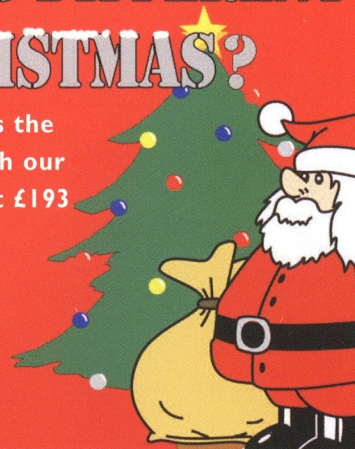
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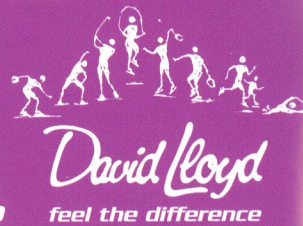


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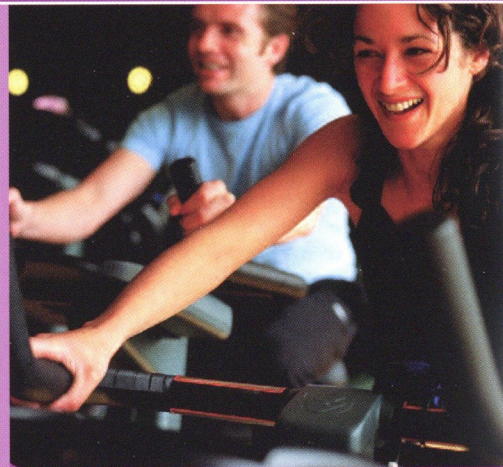


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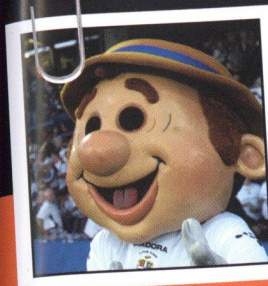
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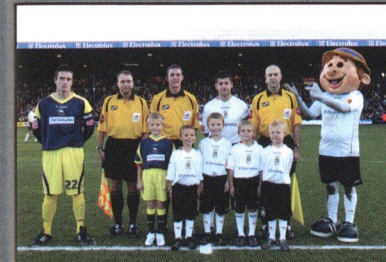
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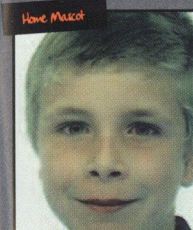
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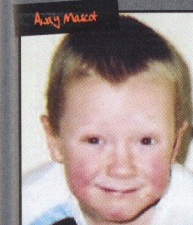


Shaun Palmer, Ross Knight, Alfie Johnson and Ben and Charlie Porter were mascots at our last game at Kenilworth Road against Derby County. They are pictured above with both team captains and officials prior to the match.

Today's Mascots



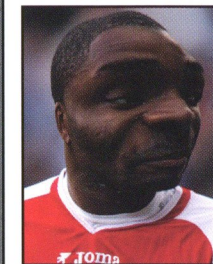
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Age: 9
Favourite Player: Marlon Beresford
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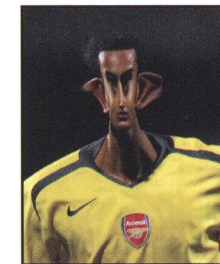
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Favourite Player: David Nugent

Junior Hatters Quiz

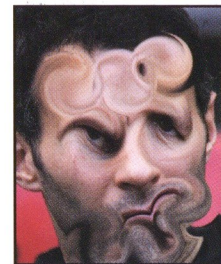
Can you identify these Premiership footballers?
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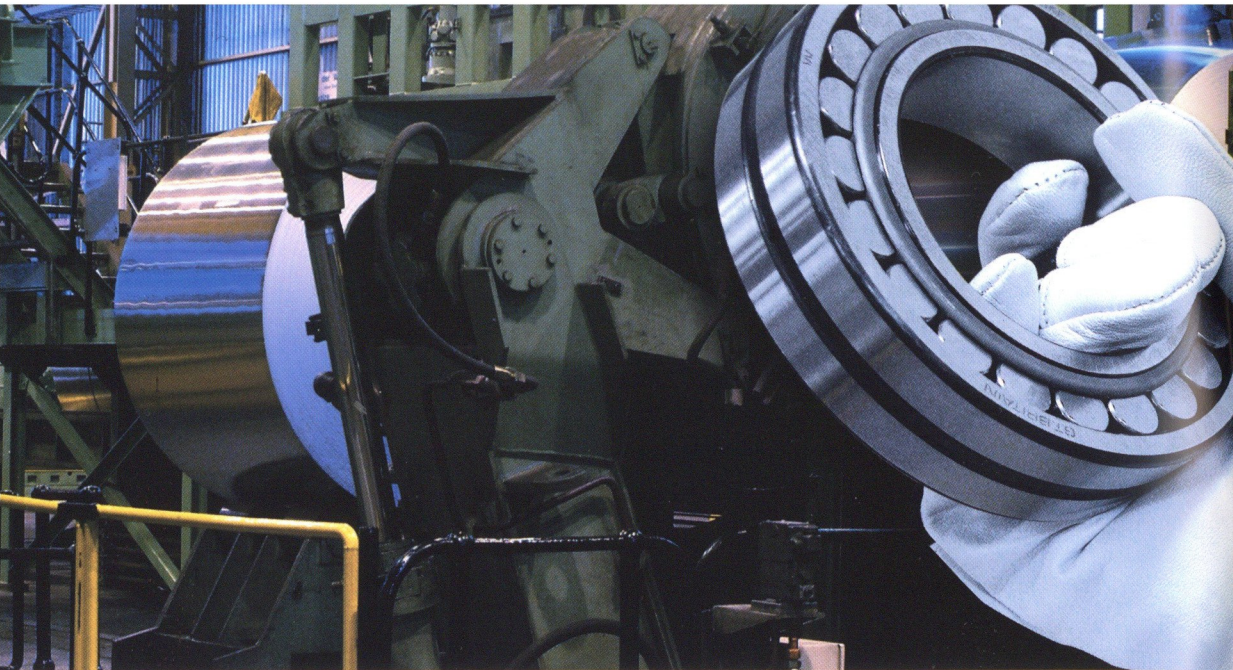
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ANSWERS - GUESS WHO: Darren Bent, Theo Walcott and Ryan Giggs
GUESS WHO: - FILL IN THE BLANKS: Moyes, Wenger, O'Leary, Pearce

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Welcome to

Preston North End

Following back-to-back play-off failures, Preston fans are hoping Paul Simpson is the man to make it third time lucky as the Deepdale club look for promotion into the Premiership. JAMES MARSH welcomes today's visitors to Kenilworth Road.

Preston arrive at Kenilworth Road as league leaders following a six game unbeaten run. Despite their last two games ending in slightly disappointing home draws against QPR and Coventry, the point secured on Tuesday night against the Sky Blues was enough to see them overtake Cardiff at the top of the table. Having reached the play-off final in 2005 and the semi-finals last term, the Lilywhites will be hopeful of going one step further this season.

After taking over from Billy Davies in the summer, manager Paul Simpson has got his side playing the same neat, penetrating football which categorised his own career. Much of the impetus for their excellent form has come from down the right flank, where youngster Simon Whaley has been a real menace. A good crosser, Whaley also has a tena-

cious shot on him and has already netted six times this season to put him joint top scorer with pacy striker Patrick Agyemang. Whaley will be supported in midfield by Paul McKenna, who is now in his testimonial year for the club and a real fans favourite thanks to his prodigious work rate and spectacular strikes from distance.

Alongside Agyemang up front will be David Nugent, one of the division's most highly-prized assets. The England under-21 international has been coveted by a host of Premiership clubs and his explosive pace and clinical finishing marks him out as an outstanding prospect. Nugent headed his fifth goal of the season in the 1-1 draw with Coventry and, with the veteran Danny Dichio available to come off the bench and add an aerial dimension to the forward line, Preston

have not been short of goals this year.

The men from Deepdale will be captained today by right back and former Hatter, Graham Alexander. Filling in at left-back will be former Leeds man, Danny Pugh, whose probing left foot has caused a number of teams difficulties this term, not least his former club Leeds, against whom he netted in a 4-1 thrashing back in October. The following game saw the Lilywhites beat the Hatters 3-0 in a match in which Town keeper Marlon Beresford was given his marching orders. With that result still fresh in both teams' minds, today's contest should be competitively fought as the visitors look to secure their fourth away win of the season and stay at the top of the table.

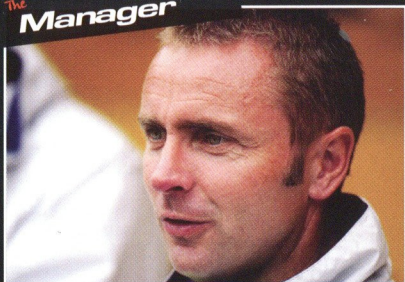
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The Opponents

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

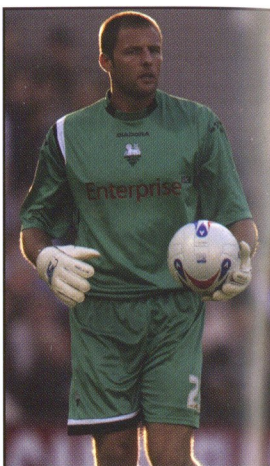
The Manager



Paul Simpson was named as the successor to the departing Billy Davies on June 16th 2006. Simpson's first job in the managerial world came at his hometown club, Carlisle United. Simpson arrived at Brunton Park initially as a player in 2003, before taking over from Roddy Collins as manager in September of that year. Despite losing his first 12 league games in charge, Simpson fashioned a remarkable turnaround in fortunes which almost saved the club from relegation out of the Football League. In his first full year in charge, Simpson guided United to promotion via the play-offs and as well as guiding the club to another promotion the year after, he also took them to the final of the Football League Trophy. It was his success at Carlisle that prompted the Preston Board to take bring Simpson to Deepdale to pursue their Premiership ambitions. As a player, Simpson had spells at Manchester City, Oxford United, Wolverhampton Wanderers and Derby County (where he captained the team to promotion to the Premiership). It was at Derby County and Oxford United where Simpson made a name for himself as a player, making over 100 appearances for both clubs. During his playing career, Simpson enjoyed loan spells at Sheffield United and Walsall, before moving to Blackpool and Rochdale (where he was their player-manager from May 2002) and Carlisle United. In addition Simpson represented England at under 21 level.

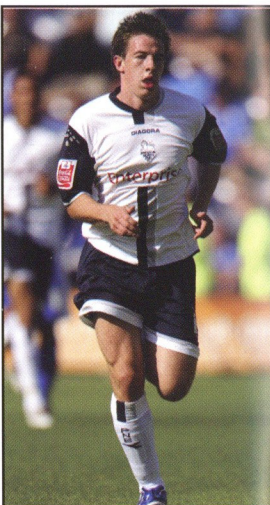
The Goalkeepers

If you ask Preston's defenders what the secret of their miserly success is, they'll probably tell you it's good defending. However, **CARLO NASH** (pictured) will point to his seven clean sheets so far this season and stake his own claim for the reason why the Lilywhites are such realistic candidates for promotion. And standing at 6'5", not many of his back four would argue with him. Carlo has played in all of Preston's league and cup games so far this season, and will be hoping to emulate last season's record of 53 appearances in all competitions (48 league, 4 FA Cup, 1 league cup). It hasn't always been sweetness and light for the Bolton-born shot stopper. To play at the highest level, Carlo's generally had to play second fiddle to other goalkeepers at his two previous clubs, Middlesbrough and Manchester City. Despite clocking up appearances at an alarming rate for Preston since he signed a permanent deal in March 2005, Carlo has still played even more games for Stockport County, for whom he played from June 1998 until January 2001. **CHRIS NEAL** is currently on loan from Shrewsbury.



The Defenders

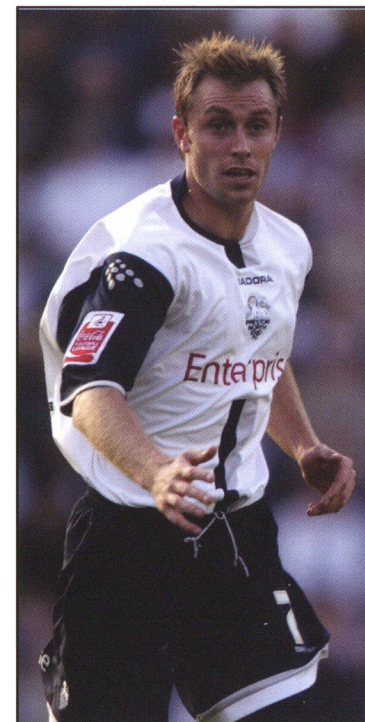
GRAHAM ALEXANDER was fondly remembered at Kenilworth Road until he slammed home the penalty in Preston's 3-0 win over the Hatters four weeks ago. Only joking, of course. The Coventry-born Scottish international put in a good shift at Luton between 1995 and 1999 before financial constraints forced his sale for a bargain £50,000. Just three league clubs share his nearly 800 league and cup appearances since he made his debut for Scunthorpe United in 1991. **SEAN ST LEDGER** (pictured), a £225,000 summer signing from Peterborough, has been a consistent member of the Preston side. Although playing in League Two during the last campaign, St Ledger's talents were not such a hidden treasure, as he scooped up every Posh player of the year award going at the end of last season. St Ledger's form has been exceptional this season, and should be appreciated even more due to the fact that he has stepped up not one, but two divisions. **LIAM CHILVERS** was an Arsenal trainee who was carefully nurtured for four years in a variety of loan deals that saw the Chelmsford-born defender do time at Northampton, Notts County, Beveren (of Belgium) before gaining a free transfer and doing a two-year stretch at Colchester United. Then, whilst spending the summer as a free agent, he signed for the Lilywhites on another free transfer and has not missed a game since. **DANNY PUGH** made his name at Leeds United having served his apprenticeship, like so many others, at Old Trafford, before having to move on to find regular first team football. After impressing at Elland Road he joined Preston for £250,000 in June this year.



The Midfielders

Starting off the midfielder section with **PAUL MCKENNA** is taking a risk if I want the Preston fans to read on. As their longest-serving player, Lilywhites fans will already know everything about him, so you may skip to the next paragraph and no offence will be taken. McKenna is another of this season's ever-presents, and his manager must have thanked his lucky stars when he took on a squad with players like him in it. Ha, fooled you, I'm still talking about McKenna. Paul is a rarity in football – a one club man. Having signed as a trainee in 1992, it was February 1997 before he made his goalscoring debut in a 2-1 League One victory over Wycombe Wanderers. His next league outing the following week provided a much sterner test, as Preston crashed to a 5-1 away defeat at Luton. Still just 29-years-old, McKenna is already long past his testimonial year and must be wondering what else there is to achieve at Deepdale. This would explain his tenacity on the pitch as he drives his team towards the Premiership. Sometimes, the trouble with playing in the Championship is that there are too many big clubs with too many famous players in them. **CHRIS SEDGWICK** (pictured) is another one of those unsung heroes that grafts away up

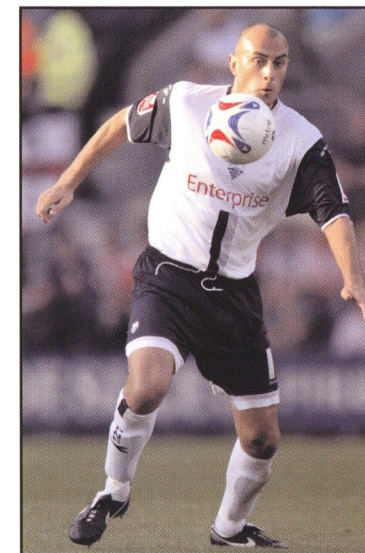
and down the right-hand track of the pitch without getting too much praise or recognition from the general footballing public. Sedgwick was Preston's only outfield player to play in every single league game of last season, missing just the second leg of the play-off semi-final against Leeds United, which they lost 2-0. The 26-year-old was born in Sheffield and played over 200 games for his first love, Rotherham United, before Billy Davies brought him across the Pennines for £400,000 in November 2004. **SIMON WHALEY** is an up-and-coming midfield dynamo who is another welcome part of the Davies legacy. Signed from Bury in the January transfer window for £250,000. His goals have come in handy as well, having already netted six so far this season. With a host of clubs chasing his signature, Whaley was influenced in choosing Preston so he could link up with his former Bury youth, reserve and first team buddy, David Nugent. **LEWIS NEAL** is a left-sided midfielder who operates mainly from the bench. His transfer will have raised a few eyebrows amongst the likes of us who used to collect 'Panini' football cards, having arrived from Stoke City in a swap deal which saw Marlon Broomes going to the Britannia Stadium.



The Strikers

Preston have a wealth of decent strikers at the club, and there are rumours abound that they may be about to lose their best one in the forthcoming January transfer window. England U21 forward **DAVID NUGENT** is so good that he even got a mention in the Midfielders section of this article. Having attracted nothing but positive reviews from the press since he burst on to the scene at his previous club Bury, Nugent seems to have been around for ages. In fact he's only been at Deepdale since January 2005, when he became one of Billy's bargains in a £100,000 deal. Despite suffering the dreaded metatarsal injury last season, he still took to the Championship like a duck to water, but his miraculous return from injury was in vain as Preston suffered play-off heartache. A fiery character, Nugent picks up more cards than he does goals, with six yellows and a red

already in the bag this season. Nevertheless, he was named the Championship Young Player of the Year at the inaugural Football League awards. **DANIELE DICHIO** (pictured) has spent time at some great clubs, including a shock move to Serie A with Sampdoria, only stability has been the missing part of a great career. He's also a bit of a lucky charm, having helped Sunderland and West Brom to promotion to the Premiership in recent seasons. **PATRICK AGYEMANG** ended a long wait for Preston North End fans when he finally signed for the club in November 2004. An exciting striker he will be keen to prove that he is a more than capable candidate to fill the striking roles vacated by David Healy and Ricardo Fuller earlier in the campaign. Agyemang joined North End in a deal in the region of £300,000 from Gillingham after spending less than a year at Priestfield.



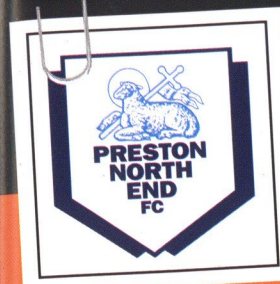
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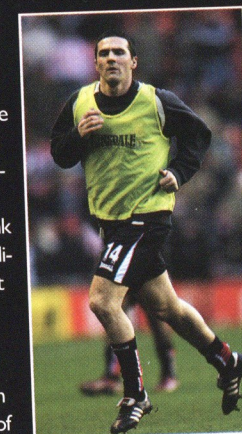
Preston North End's Media Executive, Becky Ashton, in conversation with Chris Rivett

■ How have Paul Simpson's summer signings - Sean St Ledger, Neil Mellor, Danny Pugh and Liam Chilvers - settled in at Deepdale?

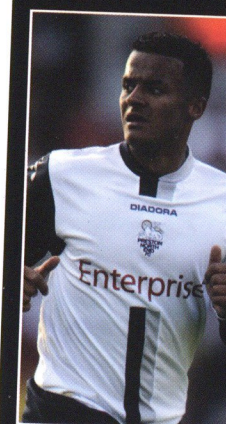
Sean St Ledger, Liam Chilvers and Danny Pugh have all been ever presents so far this season and have all slotted in to the team with ease. The two centre halves (St Ledger and Chilvers) have made the step up to the Championship with ease and adapted very quickly to life at this level. St Ledger came up two divisions from Peterborough but has really caught the eye, with his no nonsense displays, which have earned him a call up to the full Ireland squad. Liam Chilvers has gone about things a bit quieter but he has been equally as effective helping North End to four clean sheets in their last four matches. Danny Pugh has been another consistent performer following his arrival from Leeds, playing on the left of midfield or at left back but we are yet to see Neil Mellor in action. He was signed knowing that he was still somewhat off match fitness but he suffered a knock to his knee in a reserve game and required an operation to clean things up so we are still waiting for him to make his debut.

■ What will new loan signing Tommy Miller add to the squad?

With the retirement of Brian O'Neil there was a need to sign another quality, experienced midfield players and the capture of Tommy Miller was an excellent one. He is a player who has been there and done it at this level and I think everyone is aware of his qualities, especially due to the fact he has scored seven goals against Preston while with Hartlepool and Ipswich and the Manager has bought him in for his goals. At the time of writing this he is yet to feature but he was well aware that he had a tough task to make the 16 with the form Preston are currently in. We have signed him until January and with so many games over the Christmas period it is important to have as many quality players available as possible.



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



Without sounding too biased there are players all over the pitch who Luton fans should look out for, there is obviously former Luton player Graham Alexander who is always lethal from set pieces and penalties, Simon Whaley (pictured) who has been in excellent scoring form this season especially away from home and then we have four strikers who have all been scoring goals in recent weeks.

■ What are Preston's aims for this season?

I think despite losing the manager in the summer and two key players who left to go to the Premiership I don't ever think the aims changed but from outside I think many expected this to be more a season of consolidation than anything else but Paul Simpson came in and has carried on where the previous manager left off and now I think the aim has to be more of the same as the last two seasons.



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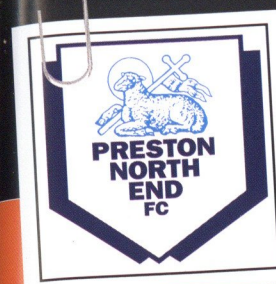
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Five to Remember

Roger Wash takes a look back at five classic encounters between Luton Town and Preston North End

27th September 1958 Luton Town 4 Preston North End 1 Attendance: 23,056

The Hatters started the 1958/59 season in brilliant style, aided by new signing Billy Bingham, and by the time of the visit of table toppers Preston it was quickly worked out that a home win would push the home side into pole position.

The BBC television cameras were present to see George Cummins fire the Town into the lead only for Dennis Hatsell to level before the break. With Gordon Turner, who had earlier missed his first ever Luton penalty, reduced to a limping passenger it was left to mercurial winger Bingham to break the deadlock before Jim Adam netted twice to secure an emphatic victory and top spot in Division One.



Brian Stein tries his luck against Preston in 1980.

18th August 1961 Luton Town 4 Preston North End 1 Attendance: 14,109

Following relegation from the top flight in 1960 the Town had adjusted to life in Division Two by the time of the visit of newly demoted Preston on the opening day of the 1961/62 season.

The Hatters soon introduced Preston to the harsh world of life outside the top division with their all action power display completely overwhelming the Lilywhites defence. With new signing Ron Cope subduing Preston's big money buy Alfie Biggs, play was concentrated at the other end with Alec Ashworth opening the scoring before Gordon Turner gave the Town a comfortable interval lead.

Peter Thomson pulled a goal back but further efforts from Ashworth and John Groves made it a miserable start for Preston.

6th April 1974 Luton Town 4 Preston North End 2 Attendance: 11,806

Although still in second spot in the old Division Two, Luton were showing signs of struggling having lost their two previous games and were looking to get back to winning ways against a Preston side that was on a four match losing streak.

In an entertaining contest, compared to the dour 0-1 home defeat

to eventual champions Middlesbrough a week earlier, Preston twice drew level but it was left to Barry Butlin to net his first hat-trick in League football with all the goals being scored with his head.

'All six goals were down to goalkeeping errors', moaned a churlish Luton manager Harry Haslam afterwards!



David Oldfield. Hat-trick hero in the 1997 clash.

13th December 1980 Luton Town 4 Preston North End 2 Attendance: 7,874

It had been a very inconsistent season up to this point but buoyed by a double victory over promotion certainties West Ham, the Town were now pushing up the table, although they would have to take on struggling Preston without the influential Tony Grealish and Steve White, both injured the previous week.

Into the breach stepped the talented but frustrating Godfrey Ingram and making a welcome return after two broken legs, Lil Fuccillo.

An end to end contest developed with David Moss eventually opening the scoring from the spot just before the break and then doubling the lead on 48 minutes. Future Hatter Steve Elliott then reduced the deficit before Fuccillo brought the house down with a rasper, with Ingram completing the Luton scoring. An effort from Preston's Alex Bruce came too late to influence proceedings.

22nd February 1997 Luton Town 5 Preston North End 1 Attendance: 6,896

Following a win at Gillingham on Boxing Day which cemented the Town's position in second spot in the Division Two table, a succession of injuries and games lost to the weather, coupled with a string of draws, meant that other teams were now breathing down their necks.

The visit of Preston to Kenilworth Road coincided with a return to a full strength team and how it showed, with David Oldfield bagging a perfect hat-trick in a 15 minute spell in the first half – a header, followed by both a left foot and a right foot shot.

The final 5-1 win proved that the Town were now back to their best form.



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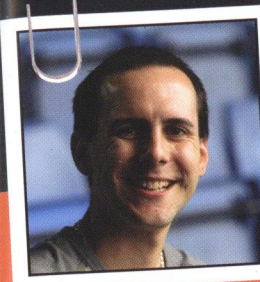


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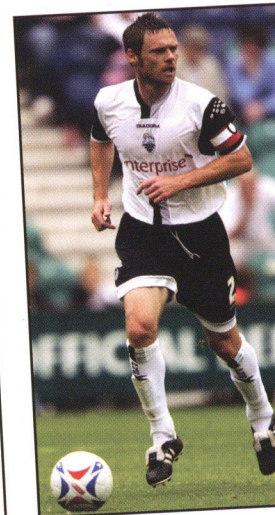
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Stat Attack

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

The Hatters have played host to Preston 20 times previously in the league, with Luton winning eight and the away side seven. The Hatters have found the net on 37 occasions, with Preston scoring 30 goals. There has never been a goal-less draw at Kenilworth Road, and the sides have never met in a major Cup competition.

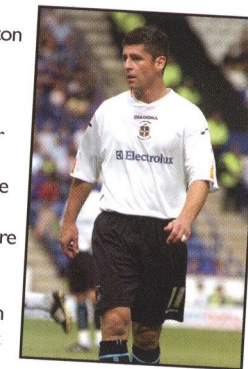


Even fewer players have moved from Luton to Preston, the first was Ted Smith in 1931 after 33 appearances in two seasons. The only other player to have made the move is likely to be featuring in the match this afternoon, Graham Alexander. £100,000 was needed to purchase Alexander from Scunthorpe United in 1995, but only half that amount was the fee nearly four years later when he

moved onto Preston after 183 appearances for Luton. Alexander now has over 600 league appearances, and 700 career appearances, with his 100th league goal being scored against Luton in the 3-0 win last month.

The first meeting was back in the 1949/50 season, which ended in a 1-1 draw, with Preston scoring both goals! In fact all five of the draws in this fixture have ended 1-1, during 1956/57, 71/72, 79/80, and 98/99 seasons. Mick Cullen scored in the fixture in 56/57, having scored the last time Preston had been the visitors, in a 2-1 win. Peter Anderson achieved a similar feat, having scored in 71/72, he then scored the only goal of the game the following season. Not to be outdone David Moss scored penalties against Preston in both 79/80 and 80/81! Jimmy Adam and Billy Bingham are other players who have scored in consecutive matches at home to Preston. Adam managed three goals in two games during 1958, with Bingham also scoring in the second game, and then again in November 1959.

Luton have only bought three players from Preston North End. Frank Beresford was the first back in the 1930's, he made 15 appearances for the Hatters and scored three goals before a move to Crystal Palace. It was nearly 50 years later before another player made the move South and it was Steve Elliott. Playing only in the 1984/85 season, Elliott appeared 15 times and scored six goals, including three FA Cup goals in just three appearances! In the summer of 2002, £50,000 exchanged hands as Northern Ireland International midfielder Steve Robinson (pictured) moved from Deepdale to Kenilworth Road. Robinson has recently passed 150 appearances for Luton Town, and has scored 11 times.



Two players can boast they have scored hat-tricks in this fixture. Barry Butlin scored three headed goals in the 4-2 win in April 1974, adding to a goal from Jimmy Husband. After a 16 year gap in this fixture, David Oldfield wasted no time in ensuring maximum points for the Hatters in the 1996/97 season, netting a 15 minute first half hat-trick. It was the "perfect" treble, as it was a goal with each foot and a header! Further goals from Gary Waddock and Mitchell Thomas ensured a comfortable 5-1 win for Luton. The Hatters have hit four goals on three other occasions. Jimmy Adam scored twice in 58/59 in a 4-1 win, a feat repeated by Alec Ashworth in 61/62 again in a 4-1 victory. David Moss also netted a brace in this fixture in 80/81, with further goals from Lil Fucillo and Godfrey Ingram ensuring a 4-2 win.

Luton have only failed to score in two fixtures, and both ended 2-0 to the visitors. September 1962 was the first of these matches, and the other in November 1999. The latter date also saw the lowest attendance for this fixture of just 5124! Luton have only kept a clean sheet on two occasions as well. The Hatters won 1-0 in August 1972, and then last season, courtesy of goals from Warren Feeney, Ahmet Brkovic and Steve Howard, as Luton were 3-0 up at half time!

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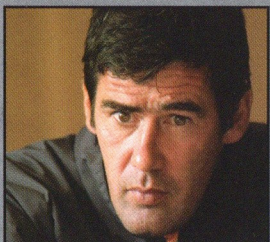
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Bookings: Vine (70), Beresford (72)



Derby County: Bywater, Edworthy, Leacock, Bisgaard (Smith 87), Howard, Stead (Lupoli 90), Boertien, Johnson (Jones 80), Oakley, Moore, Barnes

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Goals: Stead (72), Howard (75)

From the Manager



"I thought they were better than us and I've not had cause to say that too many times since I've been here, to be quite honest. We always hold our hands up and we do get beat on occasions, but we let them control the game."



□ Marlon Beresford makes a key save from Derby's Morten Bisgaard



□ Adam Boyd fires a low shot towards the Derby goal

LUTON 0 DERBY 2

Steve Howard returned to Kenilworth Road to nail the sucker punch blow to Luton's hopes of returning to winning as the Hatters suffered their sixth straight defeat against Derby County.

The Rams striker struck his eight goal of the season on 75 minutes as he added to Jonathan Stead's strike, scored three minutes earlier.

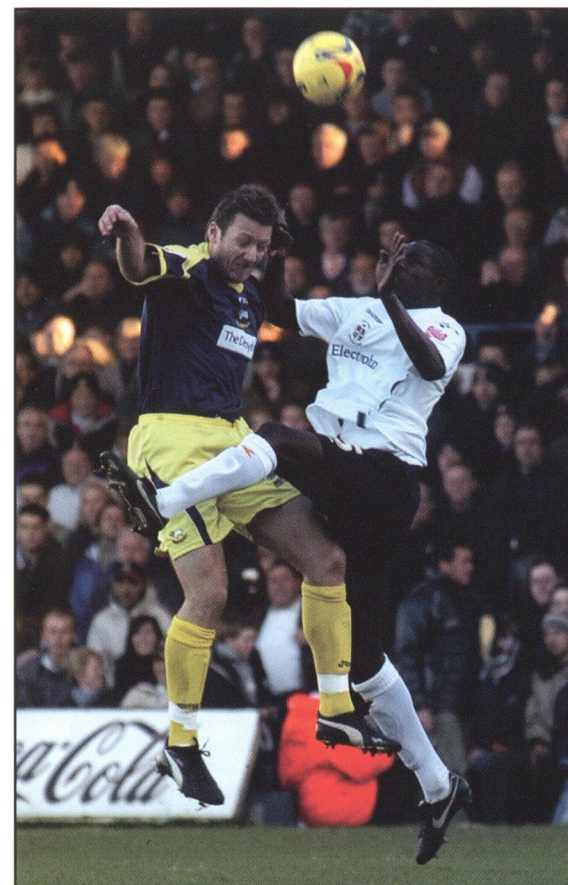
Howard said: "It was nice to come back here and it was nice to win, and the way in which we did it, I think we thoroughly deserved it.

"There was no way I was going to celebrate the goal. I wanted to, but I was never going to do it because I've got some friends here, and I didn't want to do that in front of them."

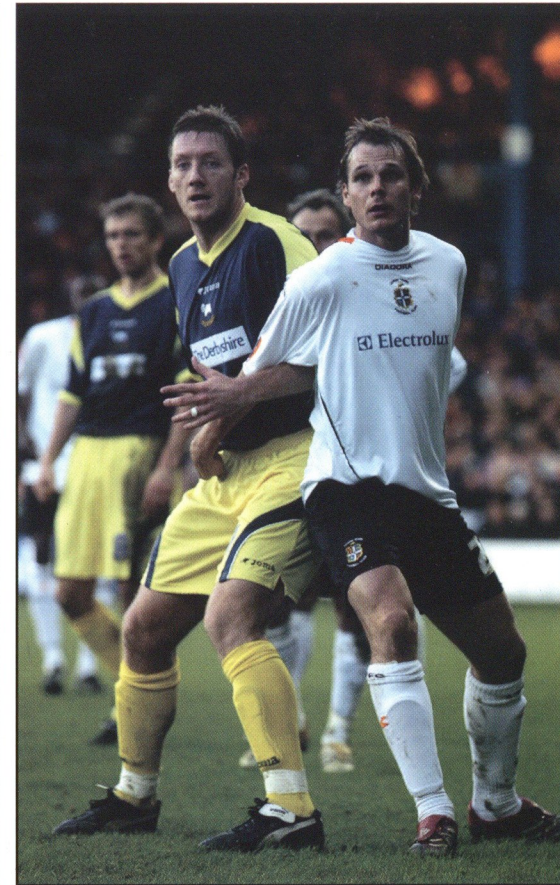
Luton had opportunities in the first half, but caught goalkeeper Stephen Bywater in inspirational form as the former West Ham shot-stopper made a string of fine saves.

Firstly, Bywater tipped over a powerful header from Leon Barnett, who connected with Kevin Foley's right wing cross. Then, moments later, the Derby goalkeeper was at full stretch to keep out Adam Boyd's low drive.

Luton looked strong in the second half, but run out of steam as Stead's curling effort beat Marlon Beresford, before Howard bundled the ball home from close range.



□ Leon Barnett and Steve Howard challenge for the ball



□ Markus Heikkinen keeps a close eye of ex-Hatter Steve Howard



□ Russell Perrett drifts up field from defence to go close for the Hatters

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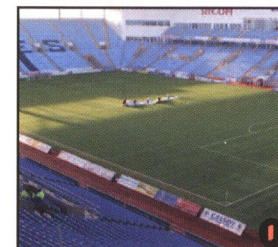
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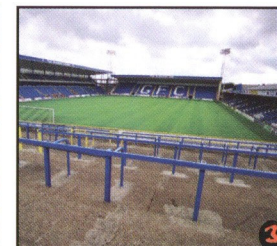
1. Which player, on loan from Real Madrid, got on the score-sheet for Arsenal as they came from behind to beat Hamburg last week?
2. Former Liverpool boss Gerard Houllier currently manages which French side?
3. Who scored the only goal as Celtic sensationally beat Manchester United to ensure qualification for the next stage of the Champions League?
4. Which team are nicknamed 'The Imps'?
5. Which England player holds the record for most appearances at the World Cup Finals?
6. Which Tottenham striker spent a year on loan at Bournemouth, where he became the first man in the Second Division to score in ten consecutive matches?
7. Who plays their home games at London Road?
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Opposing View

After leaving Luton Town in 1999, Graham Alexander has become Mr Consistency at Preston North End. Lilywhites skipper has played a pivotal role in driving the club towards promotion this season, and after a back-to-back play-off heartache, Alexander is hoping it will be third time lucky this time around

Graham Alexander has more experience of playing at Kenilworth Road than most after spending four years in Bedfordshire prior to his move at Deepdale in 1999.

The popular full back arrived from Scunthorpe in July 1995, with former boss Terry Westley splashing out £100,000 for the Scottish international's services.

In a side that generally struggled under Westley, Alexander was one of Luton's more consistent squad members, making 35 league appearances that season in a side that finished at the bottom of Division One.

However, it was under Lennie Lawrence that Alexander began to show his true potential. During a season which culminated in Luton's first, and so far only, play-off experience, the defender was virtually an ever-present the following year, as the Hatters finished third in Division Two.

With Luton in receivership at the end of the 1998/99 season, it was little surprise that Alexander would be quickly snapped up, with Preston beating off competition from other teams, paying the Hatters a bargain fee of £50,000.

"I owe a lot to my time at Kenilworth Road," Alexander said. "Luton gave me a massive break. I'd played in Third Division football for a few years and I was looking to step up and Luton gave me that chance. I had stepped up two divisions.

"I got back to playing in what I call my natural position, right back, and that gave me the chance to go on to Preston and to better things. I made a lot of good friends at Luton and I always look forward to playing them."

Alexander didn't enjoy the best of returns to Kenilworth Road last season, having been on the wrong end of a 3-0 defeat.

Warren Feeney, Ahmet Brkovic and Steve Howard were all on target in the first half that night as Luton dominated the game from start to finish.

A heavy defeat by Luton would probably not stand out to be a significant result in any season, but following that miserable evening under the floodlights of Kenilworth Road, Preston went 25 games unbeaten and surged into the play-offs.

It was a fixture and a turning point that Alexander remembers particularly well.

The full back continued: "I remember we were 3-0 down quite early on, we were terrible that night and it was on of those nights when things didn't go well for us.

"However, I think the aftermath of that, and what was said at half-time and after the game stayed with us and the hurt from that spurred us on.

"We went 25 games unbeaten after that so it probably did us a bit of a favour and kicked us out of the slump we were in. It proved to be a bit of a turning point for us. Hopefully we won't need that turning point this season."

Preston arrive at Kenilworth Road on the back of another tremendous run of results, having lost only twice in the league all season.

However, Alexander knows how tough of a job he and his team mates have this afternoon.

"It is a hard place to go," Alexander added. "When I was at Luton we had a decent home record and that has been the case over the last few years, and maybe the ground is a reason for their success over the last few seasons.

"When you go to tight grounds it is always easier for the home side to play. The crowd are very close to the pitch and they get behind the team. When there is a good crowd at Kenilworth Road it can be a hostile place, but Luton are a good club and they have a good tradition of playing good football."

Today's match will also pit the wits of two of the Championship's brightest managers, and Alexander believes there could be plenty of goals in this afternoon's match.

"I think Mike Newell is probably a similar thinker to our manager, Paul Simpson, in that he likes attacking football. So it should be a good game.

"Mike Newell has done a brilliant job at Luton because of the resources, and the limited capacity of the ground. To get to where they have got to in the Championship is fantastic.





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Grant tracks Celtic winger

Norwich City manager Peter Grant would love to sign Derek Riordan - if Celtic were to allow the striker to move on.

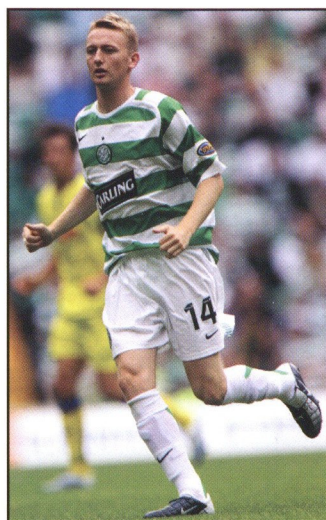
to move on.

The 23-year-old has made just four appearances for the Scottish champions since moving from Hibs in the summer.

Grant told the Daily Record: "I like him and I'd definitely be interested if Celtic said he was available.

"I haven't made official contact with Gordon Strachan but I really liked Derek at Hibs and came up to watch him a few times at Easter Road."

Riordan was top scorer for the last three seasons at Hibs but has found it difficult to break into Strachan's side at Celtic Park.



ALSO... Birmingham are given permission to keep Arsenal striker Nicklas Bendtner on loan for the rest of the season.....Sheffield Wednesday lose their appeals to the Football Association against the red cards issued to Wade Small and Chris Brunt at Coventry.

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Tykes dismiss manager Ritchie

Barnsley have sacked manager Andy Ritchie, six months after he led them to promotion to the Championship.

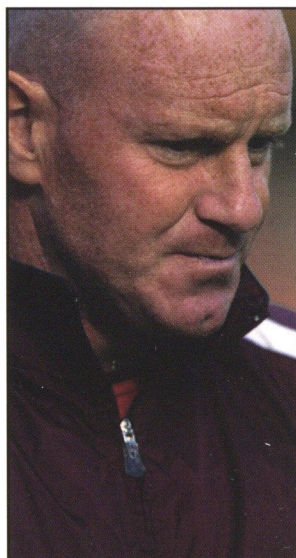
Earlier in the week, Ritchie had said he was disappointed that the Oakwell board had refused to discuss a new contract with him.

Academy manager Simon Davey has been placed in temporary charge of the team until a new boss is appointed.

Ritchie was appointed to succeed Paul Hart as manager in May 2005 after a successful spell as caretaker boss.

But despite winning promotion through the play-offs in May, the Tykes are second from bottom of the Championship.

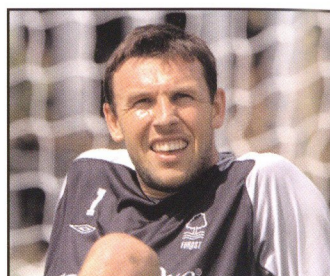
A lengthy statement on the club website said the decision to terminate Ritchie's contract with immediate effect was taken "with regret".



ALSO... Southend striker Lee Bradbury admits he needs two more reserve team matches before he will be ready to start a Championship game following a hip injury.....Norwich midfielder Luke Chadwick is ruled out of action for up to four weeks after undergoing surgery on his gashed knee.

WEDNESDAY
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Ward demands consistency



Sunderland goalkeeper Darren Ward has urged his team to find the form that will push them up the table.

Ward, 32, told BBC Radio Newcastle: "We need to achieve the consistency that will give us a platform to go on and win games on a regular basis."

The comments were made in the aftermath of the 3-1 victory over Colchester.

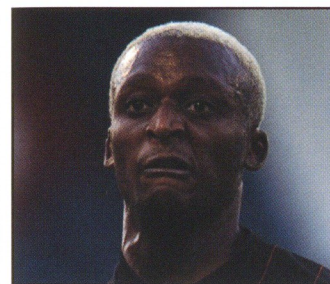
"We almost played like Pele's Brazil for a good hour," said Ward, "and then came the other side of us where we dropped off a bit."

Ward, capped five times by Wales, began his career with Mansfield in 1992 before moving to Notts County, Nottingham Forest and Norwich City.

ALSO... West Brom manager Tony Mowbray blames the Baggies fans for goalkeeper Pascal Zuberbuhler's fall from favour.....Wolves striker Carl Cort faces three months on the sidelines after undergoing knee cartilage surgery.....Accrington Stanley sign Cardiff duo Joe Jacobson and Curtis McDonald on loan

THURSDAY
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Loan deadline day round-up



Football League clubs had until 5pm on Thursday 23rd November to make loan additions to their squad.

One of the biggest surprise moves of the day saw former Luton striker Tresor Kandol (pictured above) move from Barnet to Leeds United. Another former Hatter, Michael McIndoe, also completed a loan move to Wolves.

Below is a list of the players on the move involving Championship clubs.

LOAN MOVES.

Wayne Andrews [Coventry - Sheff Wed]	Tresor Kandol [Barnet - Leeds]	Anthony Pulis [Stoke - Grimsby]
Patrick Berger [Aston Villa - Stoke]	Dean Kiely [Portsmouth - Luton]	Kyel Reid [West Ham - Barnsley]
Mat Birley [Birmingham - Lincoln]	Leon Knight [Swansea - Barnsley]	Arnau Riera [Sunderland - Southend]
Ugo Ehiogu [Middlesbrough - Leeds]	Grant McCann [Cheltenham - Barnsley]	Neil Sullivan [Leeds - Doncaster]
Hogan Ephraim [West Ham - C'chester]	Michael McIndoe [Barnsley - Wolves]	Peter Till [Birmingham - Grimsby]
Luke Guttridge [Southend - L Orient]	William Mocquet [S'land - Rochdale]	Ronnie Wallwork [W. Brom - Barnsley]
	Martin Patterson [Stoke - Grimsby]	Alan Wright [Sheff Utd - Cardiff]
	Michael Poke [Southampton - Woking]	Tommy Wright [Barnsley - Walsall]

FRIDAY
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Keane condemns mercenary players

Sunderland manager Roy Keane says he is fed up dealing with potential signings more interested in money than playing.

Keane bought several new players as soon as he took over as manager but says he is unlikely to be bringing in anyone before the window shuts today.

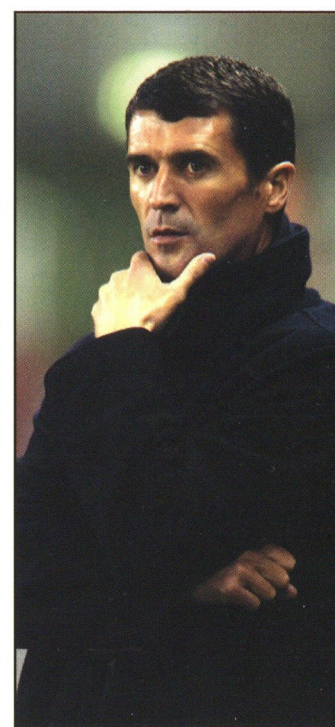
"Players are different to how they were a few of years ago," he told BBC Sport.

"It was all about playing and doing well but priorities have changed, they're more obsessed with money so I don't want them at the club anyway."

Keane said he was happy with the efforts of the players he had, but it would have been nice to bring in a couple of new faces just to give the team more options.

"I'm quite happy with the group I've got, but it would have been nice to bring in one or two players as we've had injuries," he said.

ALSO... Tim Breacker becomes assistant manager to Ian Holloway at Plymouth.....Plymouth manager Ian Holloway takes winger Bojan Djordjic off the transfer list after being impressed with his recent attitude and performances.....Coventry midfielder Don Hutchison is ruled out for three months after breaking an ankle.





The Orient Expresso

He came from Croatia via Leyton Orient and his wife is English, although she has a Croatian father who runs an Italian restaurant so she's really half-Croatian, but her father is not Italian or even half-Italian, but his kids are English and they all live in Essex. Confused? You won't be after reading this. Now, let me check all that again....

Interview & Written by Geoff Knox - Photography by Gareth Owen

"All your football career you are learning," opens Ahmet Brkovic. Never a truer word said, I feel.

Ahmet, along with his team mates, has learned how tough life can be in the Championship at times this season, but he has never been more determined to do everything he can to help push The Hatters back up the table.

Life has been interesting enough for Ahmet since he was processed by the same football federation which oversaw some of Croatia's, and indeed Europe's, finest footballers entering the world stage.

"I started playing football for my local club HNK Dubrovnik when I was nine. I passed all the kids, the schools and the youth categories and I was working really hard because I just loved football.

"Football was everything to me, and I started playing for the first team when I was 17.

"I played against Prosinecki, Boban, Slaven Bilic - who is now manager of Croatia and was playing for Hajduk Split - and Alen Boksic. They are all really good lads, they all talk to you."

Brkovic's progress led to him gaining attention from some of the bigger clubs in his homeland, with the up-and-coming Varteks taking a particular shine to him, snapping up Ahmet to bolster their assault on qualification for Europe.

"I then signed a new contract. I was really loving it, but then when I was 22 years old I moved to a better club called Varteks Varazdin, who were the fourth best team in the league that year.

"But I have really good, happy memories there. I played in the quarter-finals of the UEFA Cup Winners Cup. I made loads of friends, some of whom are still playing football in Croatia, that I still keep in contact with."

Varteks' defeat in the last eight of the Cup Winners Cup in the 1998/99 season denied him a two-legged semi-final meeting with Chelsea.

Having played out a 0-0 draw in the home first leg against Real Mallorca, Varteks were beaten 3-1 in the Balearic Islands in the return match. Mallorca went on to beat Chelsea in the semi-final, before losing 2-1 to Lazio in the last ever Cup Winners Cup final, which was held at Villa Park.

Ironically, Varteks were to taste European victory at the Villa three seasons later when they beat the 1982 European Champions (at the time managed by John Gregory) 3-2 to knock them out of the UEFA Cup, although by that time Brkovic had moved on.

Despite his love of the beautiful game, Ahmet is a man who has set out his priorities, and always puts his family first. At the peak of his career, his wife suffered some complications as she was expecting their first child, and he had some tricky decisions to make.

"My wife is English but her father is Croatian. We were neighbours in Croatia. I met my wife when I was 21, and after three years together she got pregnant. But she was having a really bad pregnancy and she got epilepsy.

"In Croatia the football season starts in August and finishes in January and you have a winter break before Christmas. You get four weeks off. In that time she was really ill and she decided to go back to England to see some doctors to see what was happening.

"In the meantime I had offers to go to Switzerland, but I came to London with her and to see her parents in Essex."

With his wife's health problems becoming a prolonged concern, Ahmet made a life-changing decision - a decision which would ultimately impact on his career.



"I then decided to have a chat with my chairman and I told him that I would like to stay in England. At that time I wasn't even thinking about football. I was just thinking about my wife and my kid. I was really very nervous."

Hanging around a place like London can go one of two ways, as the streets are not always paved with gold.

It would also be a wrench to leave behind the wonderful crisp, blue winter skies of Dubrovnik.

However, if you are in the right place at the right time, then London can be a land of opportunity, even if the December clouds hang as grey and low over the capital as the ceiling of a tube station tunnel.

But then a chance meeting at the family eating house reshaped Brkovic's future.

"In the meantime I met my agent. He was coming regularly to my father-in-law's restaurant and his office was just five minutes away.

"I'd sent some videotapes of some of my games from Croatia to my in-laws and they showed them to him. It was then that he told me that he could get me a club here. He took them to Millwall and they wanted to sign me but I was still under contract in Croatia with my club.

Brkovic went for a trial at Millwall and joined in a training session. A few challenges later and he had some 'Welcome to English football' messages imprinted on his legs.

"It was a big difference. In my first training session with Millwall the pace of the game was so fast. The tempo was really quick. In a Croatian midfield when you get the ball you can get three or four touches, here someone closes down your space and they just tackle you.

"Luckily for me I adapted really quickly."

Despite the rough stuff, Millwall liked Ahmet and he liked Millwall. However, they didn't like the price.

"HNK asked them for £500,000 –

Did you know?

Ahmet came on trial at Luton after being released by Leyton Orient. He sealed his move by scoring two goals in a reserve match – against Leyton Orient!

which in Croatia is loads of money – and Millwall didn't want to pay it, so there was a problem."

Ahmet decided to take a gamble. He picked up the 'phone, and with the swagger of James Bond at a Blackjack table in Casino Royale, he cashed his career in for some chips.

"I said to my chairman, 'If you don't let me go I'll stay here until my contract ends and then I'll be a free agent. In the meantime I'll just work to do anything to provide for my family.'

"He knew I was serious and after a couple of weeks he rang me back and said, 'Okay, you pay us back the money we invested in you and we'll give you your papers'. In the meantime I signed for Orient. Tommy Taylor was the manager at the time and signed me for half a season. I

played well and they gave me another two-year contract, and that's how I stayed here."

Ahmet helped the East London side to march to within inches of promotion from the basement division they had become a permanent feature of. But so near was so far, and he soon became a luxury Leyton Orient couldn't afford.

Joe Kinnear was scouring the lower divisions for a bargain or two, and had spotted the one who would later become known as the Croatian Sensation.

"The year I signed for Luton my contract was ending for Orient. We'd just lost in the League Two play-off final against Blackpool at the Millennium Stadium and they told me they couldn't afford to invest in me any more. So I came to Luton

Question Time

Which two Premiership clubs did Croatia national team manager Slaven Bilic play for before returning to his native country to sign for Hattrick Split?



on trial.

"I scored two goals in a Reserve match and after that game he signed me."

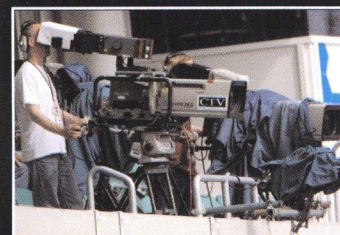
Although Ahmet's career flourished at the Club, it wasn't until the 2004/05 promotion season that he realised his goalscoring prowess, bagging 16 goals as Luton surged to the League One title.

"The only thing with Joe Kinnear was that he was playing me in a more defensive midfield role. Since Mike Newell came I've been playing more as an attacking midfielder, for which I'm really grateful."

"It's a privilege to play for this Club"

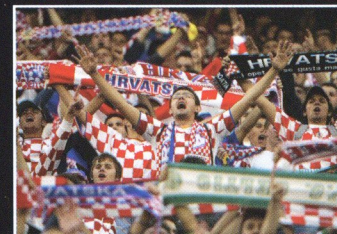
Brkovic's opinion on...

Video technology used during matches



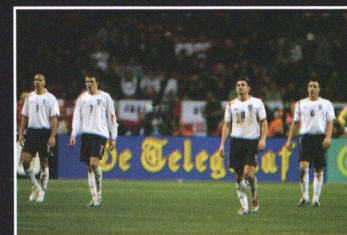
When I watched the Spurs game against Portsmouth, and Zakora dived in the area, I thought they should use the cameras and stop the game for two minutes and use the technology as video evidence. It's not going to affect anyone to stop the game just for two minutes. We need to go forward. I don't want to blame the referees but the camera sees everything over the whole ninety minutes.

Croatia's prospects of qualifying for Euro 2008



In the World Cup Croatia just weren't good enough. Slaven Bilic has tried to change it. Now he's trying to use younger players. He's made a new squad and he's started to freshen things up a little bit. They've got quality players who play in the top leagues in Italy and Germany so they've got a chance. They can do it!

England's inability to perform in major tournaments



I watched every game (in the World Cup) back home in Croatia and I watched all the England games with my mates. When you look at the first eleven players on paper you think they have a real decent, quality team. They are all top players so I really don't know. This has been happening for years and years and they've never won anything, not even third or fourth!

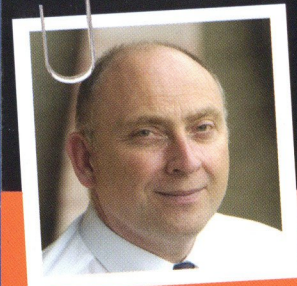
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Roger Wash looks back on every post

Luton Town

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Alan Winstone DANIEL

Ashford-born Alan moved to Luton at an early age when father Mel signed on for the Hatters. When Mel left Kenilworth Road the family settled back in Ashford leaving son Alan to be picked up by Bexleyheath and Welling where he played in an FA Youth Cup match against Manchester United, losing 1-1!!

Alan was, however, a good defender and was snapped up by the Hatters from under the noses of several clubs, and after working his way up through the youth and reserve sides made his first team debut at West Brom in 1959 as a 19-year-old. A long and successful livelihood seemed assured but, sadly, Alan's football career ended four years later with a wrongly-diagnosed snapped Achilles tendon. Now in retirement, Alan lives in Dunstable.

Melville (Mel) Verdun Reginald John DANIEL

Welshman Mel unfortunately saw the best years of his footballing career lost to the war, and after spells at Llanelli and Swansea was picked up by the Hatters from Ashford Town as the war drew to a close.

Prized for his versatility, Mel scored a hat-trick against Sheffield Wednesday on the opening day of the 1946/47 season but was equally adept in the half-back line and even as a full-back!

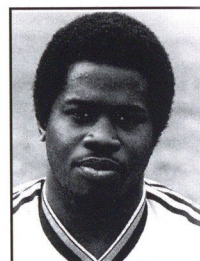
Leaving Kenilworth Road in 1949, Mel turned out for Aldershot, Newport and Betteshanger CVW before hanging up his boots. A qualified carpenter, Mel later moved back to this area to be near his son, by now at Kenilworth Road, and scouted for the Town in his spare time.



Raymond (Ray) Christopher DANIEL

Local boy Ray made his way up through the ranks at Kenilworth Road before making his Luton debut at home to Sunderland in March 1983 as a substitute.

At home in any position down the left hand side Ray could never carve out a regular place in Luton's top flight side and moved to Hull in 1986, where his career took off. He then enjoyed extended spells at Cardiff, Portsmouth and Walsall over the next ten years, with only a succession of injuries keeping his appearances down. After being connected with various clubs in the Hull area, Ray now coaches the Hall Road Rangers side.



Alexander (Sandy) Grimmer DAVIE

Scottish U 23 international goalkeeper Sandy had enjoyed seven years at Dundee United before being enticed to Luton in October 1968 for £8,000, and his form for the Hatters over the remainder of that season was a revelation.

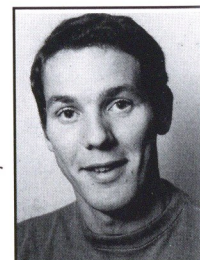
Keeping 11 clean sheets in 27 starts, his campaign ended at the feet of a Southport forward over Easter 1969, and although he returned to the side the following campaign, he was never quite the same player and it therefore came as a surprise when he was transferred to Southampton.

Sandy only managed one start for the Saints before returning to Dundee United and then emigrating to New Zealand in 1974, where he still lives.

William (Willie) Clark DAVIE

St Mirren forward Willie was attracting scouts from many big clubs but Luton manager Dally Duncan won the day and a cheque for £7,500 plus Tom Kiernan brought the clever player to Kenilworth Road where his goals and 'assists' kept the Club in Division Two in the miserable 1950/51 season.

When a panicking Huddersfield put in a £23,000 bid for the player in December 1951, a record for both clubs, it was too good to turn down and although Willie could not prevent the Terriers from suffering relegation from Division One, they bounced back at the first attempt. After five years at Huddersfield, Willie played for Walsall and Bath City before returning to Yorkshire, where he worked in local hospitals before his death in 1996.



Curtis Eugene DAVIES

Luton Town trainee Curtis Davies showed maturity beyond his years when making his Hatters League debut as an 18-year-old in a 2-2 draw with Stockport in January 2004 and it was only a matter of time before he won a regular spot in the first team.

Almost ever present during the Town's tremendous 2004/05 championship winning season his displays in central defence alongside Chris Coyne quickly caught the eye of Premiership clubs, but it took a massive £3 million to prise him from Kenilworth Road.

A credit to his profession, Curtis moved to West Bromwich in September 2005 where he took to the top flight like a duck to water and it will be no surprise to Luton supporters when he wins his first full England cap.

Ronald (Roy) Alfred DAVIES

Cape Town-born Roy decided to try his luck in the U.K. and, after unsuccessful trials at Manchester City, joined Clyde where he soon built up a solid reputation as a quick two-footed winger.

Snapped up by the Hatters in May 1951, Roy went on to give sterling service over the next six years with only a succession of injuries preventing him from being one of the first names on the first team list.

A fast bowler for Bedfordshire and a good golfer, Roy finished his football career with Bedford Town but died tragically young at the age of only 49.

Ronald (Ron) Tudor DAVIES

Ron joined Chester as a £3 a week groundstaff boy and reputedly trained in army boots to improve his already prodigious leaping skills. The Hatters took a £10,000 gamble on the 20-year-old in October 1962 and he rewarded them with 21 goals in 29 League appearances as a poor Luton side sunk to Division Three.

In September 1963 a £35,000 bid from Norwich, against whom Ron had scored six goals the previous season, had to be accepted and his career then went from strength to strength taking in Southampton, Portsmouth and Manchester United along the way.

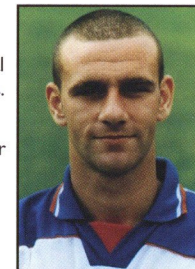
One of the best headers of a ball the game has ever seen, Ron now lives in Florida.

Simon Ithel DAVIES

Winsford born Simon was taken on by Manchester United as a Youth Trainee, signing professional forms in July 1992, but in five years at Old Trafford was only able to make 11 League appearances.

Even so it was regarded as a coup by Luton Town when they paid £150,000 for the strong midfielder in 1997 but he sadly failed to live up to his reputation and moved on to Macclesfield a year later, inevitably scoring against the Hatters when the two sides met!

After a period at Rochdale, Simon went on to play for Bangor and Total Network Solutions (TNS).

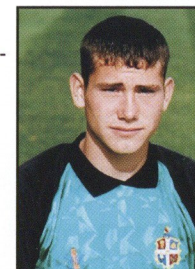


Kelvin Geoffrey DAVIS

Kelvin made his Luton Town debut whilst still a Youth Trainee, appearing between the sticks in a 2-2 draw at Stoke in May 1994, two months before signing a professional contract at Kenilworth Road.

It took some time for Kelvin to claim a regular goalkeeping slot, needing to understudy both Juergen Sommer and Ian Feuer first, but once he became number one choice his shot stopping skills, allied to incredible reflexes, had the big clubs beating a path to Luton's door.

A £600,000 bid from Wimbledon took Kelvin into the Premiership in 1999 and since then his career has taken him to Ipswich, Sunderland and currently Southampton.



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Hatters History

Luton Town recently reached a important milestone, when they played their 3500 league match. Simon Pitts looks at some very interesting stats which have been recorded during that period of time.

Not many fans will be aware that on Sunday 29th October 2006, Luton Town played their 3500th league match!

The Hatters played their first league match on 4th September 1897, and it ended in a 1-1 draw at Leicester Fosse (Frederick Ekins scored the goal if you were wondering!). The first win came a week later with a 4-0 home victory over Gainsborough Trinity.

The landmark of 1000 league matches played came on 4th December 1948 following a 2-1 home win over Sheffield Wednesday, although it would only be fair to report that another three league matches had been completed, in 1939/40. However these matches were lost to the record books as "season cancelled" due to the outbreak of World War II.

Of these first 1000 league matches Luton won 410, drew 231, lost 359, scoring 1778 goals and conceding 1571. The biggest win was of course against Bristol Rovers on 13th April 1936, when Joe Payne hit ten goals in a 12-0 win!

2000 league matches were completed with a 3-1 defeat at Fulham on 22nd January 1972. During the previous 1000 matches,

Luton had won 386, drawn 246 and lost 368. The goal difference this time around was much closer with the Hatters edging it by 61, as 1546 goals were scored to 1485 conceded.

A rare win for then manager Terry Westley saw Luton notch up 3000 league games when Tranmere were the visitors on 2nd December 1995. The previous 1000 games showed the worst of the statistics though with 348 victories, 278 draws and 374 defeats, with 1308 goals scored and 1343 conceded.

So it was 3500 at Portman Road, and this gives a total of 1344 victories, 885 draws, and 1271 defeats. Luton have scored 5360 goals and conceded 5064. Luton have played in five different levels of league football, although the divisions have all had a name change! Assuming we revert to the initial Division One, Two etc titles, and include Division Three (South) here are the statistics for the 3500 matches.

Division 1 - Played 658, Won 213, Drawn 168, Lost 277, For 863 and Against 1011

Division 2 - Played 1392, Won 511, Drawn 357, Lost 524, For 2086 and Against 2035

Division 3 - Played 552, Won 215, Drawn 149, Lost 188, For 784 and Against 745

Division 3S - Played 714, Won 308, Drawn 175, Lost 231, For 1295 and Against 1038

Division 4 - Played 184, Won 97, Drawn 36, Lost 51, For 332 and Against 235

The most common result is 1-1, which has happened on 396 occasions, this is followed by a 2-1 defeat (266 times), 1-0 win (263) and 1-0 defeat (261).....and the goal-less draw, well that's happened 243 times!

For home matches the 1-1 draw is again the most common result with 207 occasions, with both 2-1 and 1-0 wins on 149 times each, with a 2-0 win only just behind with 147 matches finishing this way. The most common defeat is 2-1, happening 93 times.

Luton have scored more than four goals 117 times, with the visitors netting more than four goals on 13 occasions. The Hatters have kept 585 clean sheets at home, an impressive one in three league matches, with the visitors managing this feat 281 times.

Away from home and 1-1 has happened 189 times, closely followed by a 2-1 defeat (173) and 1-0 defeat (172). The most common win is 1-0 (114), with 2-1 registering 104 matches.

Luton have scored more than four goals 11 times, with the biggest win of 5-0 happening twice (Exeter 67/68, Colchester 02/03). The most goals scored in an away league game is six, 6-3 against Southampton during the 1937/38 season, and 6-2 against Brentford in the 1963/64 season. Luton have kept 322 clean sheets, and the home side have done so 589 times.

As far as matches against other Clubs is concerned, Queens Park Rangers are our most popular opponents, 84 matches, closely followed by our rivals down the road with 76 meetings. (Luton have won 32, drawn 19 and lost 25!). Of the current League Clubs, Luton have never played against Accrington Stanley, Barnet, Boston and Yeovil in league action.

Luton are still unbeaten at home against

the following current League Clubs: Blackburn Rovers (18 matches), Chester City (3), Darlington (3), Cheltenham Town (2), and Hereford United (1).

The Hatters have never beaten Wigan Athletic at home in the league, despite five meetings, or Macclesfield with two matches played. Luton have actually never beaten Macclesfield away either!

Liverpool (14), Mansfield Town (8) and Cheltenham Town (2) are other sides never to have lost at home to the Hatters. In case you were wondering Luton won at Manchester United (well actually it was Newton Heath that they were known by then!) in their first league season of 1897/98!

Luton have never been beaten at Wycombe Wanderers (7), Chester City (3), Cheltenham Town (2), and Hereford United (1). Therefore, as you will have no doubt worked out for yourself, the Hatters are actually unbeaten, both home and away, against Chester (6 matches), Cheltenham (4) and Hereford (2).

Luton have scored, on average, 2.43 goals per encounter with Torquay United, closely followed by 2.33 goals per match against Darlington. The worst scoring record is against Manchester United (and including the six games when they were known as Newton Heath!) of just 0.68 goals per meeting! Wigan Athletic have also restricted the Hatters to less than a goal per game, with just 0.9 goals on average from the 10 league meetings.

At the other end of the field, Hereford United have never scored against Luton, and of the other current league clubs Wycombe have only managed 0.64 goals per game, and Chester City 0.67. Manchester United, as well as having the best defence, also have the best attack, with an average of 2.32 goals per meeting.

Approaching 800 players have featured in these 3500 league matches, and over 440 of these have scored league goals.

Bob Morton holds the, never likely to be beaten, Club record of 495 league appearances, with Ricky Hill (436), Brian Stein (427), Mal Donaghy (415) and Gordon Turner (406) all breaking the 400 barrier. To put these players achievements into perspective, Chris Coyne has the most



David Pleat's managerial career at Luton Town saw him win 184 games of his 532 matches in charge of the Hatters, during two spells at the helm at Kenilworth Road

appearances for current players, with 189 league appearances for Luton.

A further six players have more than 300 appearances for the Hatters, and 26 players have more than 200. At the other end of the scale there are an amazing 71 players who have only featured in one league match for Luton Town! Of these Walter Catlin, Foster Robinson and Harry Kitchen all hold the unusual record of scoring on their only league appearance for the Town as well!

The goal scoring records are dominated by Gordon Turner who scored 243 league goals from his 406 appearances. Nearly a 100 goals behind is Andy Rennie with 147 from 307, and Brian Stein with 130 from 427. Joe Payne certainly deserves a mention for the unbelievable record of scoring 83 goals from 72 appearances! Of the current players Ahmet Brkovic has 29 league goals, with Rowan Vine rapidly closing the gap, as he is now on 27!

Dally Duncan is the longest serving manager during these 3500 matches, with a consecutive run of 4143 days from June 1947 to October 1958. David Pleat's total time as manager is longer though after having two spells at the Club. From January 1978 to May 1986 saw a run of 3034 days, and this was followed with a further 1465 days

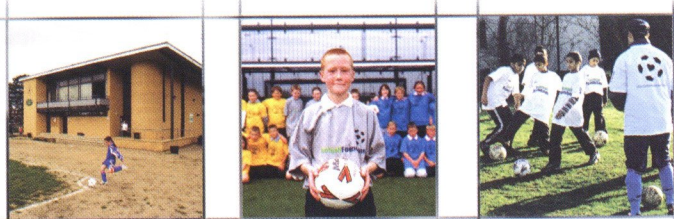
from June 1991 to June 1995. Pleat managed a total of 532 league matches, winning 184, drawing 155 and losing 193. Dally Duncan (474 league matches) has a better percentage of matches won, 38% compared to Pleat's 34.6%, but the best manager for this statistic is Allan Brown with 49 victories from 97 league games in charge, 50.5%.

We saw the most percentage of draws under Ricky Hill 35.3% (six from 17 matches), and the least from Lil Fuccillo, no draws from nine matches. Fuccillo had the worst percentage of defeats, 7 from 9 giving 77.8%, whereas the least was under Alec Stock, 37 from 155 matches is 23.9%. Stock also holds the record for unbeaten matches, 76.1%. If you wanted to see goals then the Joe Kinnear era was the one to watch, 1.679 goals scored per game, whereas the best defence, with an outstanding 0.974 goal conceded per game was again under Alec Stock.

Mike Newell currently has 152 matches in charge, after Ipswich, with 69 victories (45.4%), 40 draws (26.3%) and 43 defeats (28.3%). The Hatters have scored 245 goals (1.612) and conceded 204 (1.342).



The great Bob Morton holds the, never likely to be beaten, Club record of 495 appearance for Luton Town



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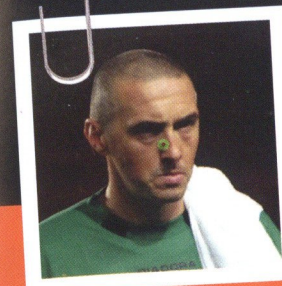
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In Conversation with Dean Kiely

Geoff Knox catches up with Dean Kiely just before he headed back to his third south coast ground in five days.

The more observant Hatters fans amongst you may have noticed that there's been a new face between the sticks during the last week or so.

Dean Kiely arrived out of the blue (well, out of the blue half of Hampshire, anyway) during last Thursday's loan transfer deadline day on a one month deal from Portsmouth. The ex-Charlton shot

stopper has been drafted in to add competition for the no.1 shirt currently held by Marlon Beresford.

It was a move that happened so fast that it even took Kiely by surprise.

"I was doing some work down at Portsmouth with the goalkeepers and the coach came out with a message to ring the chief executive.

"Mike Newell phoned me up and asked if I would be interested and it took me ten seconds to say yes. I got the fax through and signed the papers.

"It was good for me because I've been training like a demon and I'm not used being on the bench. I've been a professional for 18 years and for 16 years I've been in someone's first team, so I'm not used to being out of the team."

Kiely is a highly-regarded 'keeper who has made over 650 league and cup appearances for his previous clubs York City, Bury and Charlton Athletic.

Having served as a trainee at Coventry City under the watchful eye of the Highfield Road legend Steve Ogrizovic, the Salford-born 'keeper eventually signed for York City, making over 200 appearances after his league debut in March 1990.

He then spent three seasons at Bury before moving

on to Charlton Athletic for £1m in May 1999.

Kiely is adamant that, despite having just turned 36 years old, he still has plenty of good years ahead of him at the top level.

"Nigel Martyn left Leeds at 35 and went on to play for Everton until he was 40. People questioned him when he was at Leeds and he went on to play for another five years.

"I don't carry any weight, my hunger is fine and my appetite for the games and training is there."

Having slipped down the pecking order at The Valley last season, Kiely moved to Fratton Park in January this year and played out the rest of Pompey's Premiership campaign - playing a major part in their unlikely survival act as they narrowly avoided relegation to the Championship.

However, the arrival of David James during the close season had left Kiely requiring first team action once more.

For this reason alone Kiely has empathy with his new and temporarily displaced colleague, even though Marlon Beresford accepts that business is business when it comes to team selection.

"I know Marlon from a long way back and we've always talked to each other and he even took me to the training ground in his car.

"We've got a good working relationship and I think that's right because if there are problems then it shows in the changing room and on the pitch."



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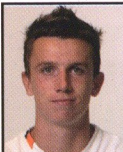
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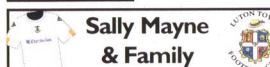
Position: Goalkeeper
Date Of Birth: 02-09-69
Place Of Birth: Lincoln
Date Signed: June 2004
First Club: Sheffield Wed
Previous Club: Barnsley
2005/06 App: 43*
2005/06 Goals: 0*



02 *Kevin* Foley



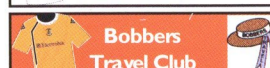
Position: Defender
Date Of Birth: 01-11-84
Place Of Birth: Luton
Date Signed: Progressed from trainee in 2002
2005/06 App: 39*
2005/06 Goals: 0*



03 *Seb* Davis



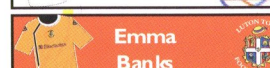
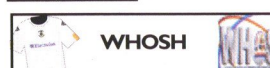
Position: Defender
Date Of Birth: 04-09-79
Place Of Birth: Chesham
Date Signed: August 2002
First Club: Swindon Town
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2005/06 App: 23*
2005/06 Goals: 0*



04 *Chris* Coyne



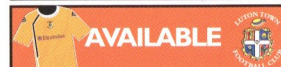
Position: Defender
Date Of Birth: 28-12-78
Place Of Birth: Brisbane
Date Signed: Sept 01
First Club: West Ham Utd
Last Club: Dundee
2005/06 App: 33*
2005/06 Goals: 3*



05 *Russell* Perrett



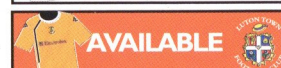
Position: Defender
Date Of Birth: 18-06-73
Place Of Birth: Barton on Sea
Date Signed: Aug 2001
First Club: Lymington
Last Club: Cardiff
2005/06 App: 12*
2005/06 Goals: 0*



06 *Paul* Underwood



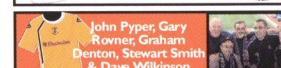
Position: Defender/Midfielder
Date Of Birth: 16-08-73
Place Of Birth: Wimbledon
Date Signed: March 2004
First Club: Enfield
Last Club: Rushden & Diam
2005/06 App: 45*
2005/06 Goals: 0*



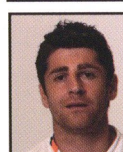
07 *Carlos* Edwards



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: 45*
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: 3*
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*



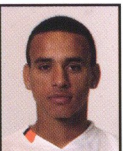
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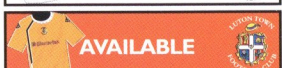
Position: Striker
Date Of Birth: 14-10-81
Place Of Birth: Belfast
Date Signed: March 2005
First Club: Leeds United
Last Club: Stockport
2005/06 App: 45*
2005/06 Goals: 7*



11 *Dean* Morgan



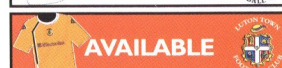
Position: Midfielder
Date Of Birth: 03-10-83
Place Of Birth: Enfield
Date Signed: July 2005
First Club: Colchester
Last Club: Reading
2005/06 App: 38*
2005/06 Goals: 6*



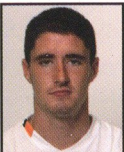
14 *Michael* Leary



Position: Midfielder
Date Of Birth: 17-04-83
Place Of Birth: Ealing
Date Signed: Progressed from Trainee in 2002
Last Club: Leyton Orient (loan)
2005/06 App: 1*
2005/06 Goals: 0*



15 *Stephen* O'Leary



Position: Midfielder
Date Of Birth: 02/02/85
Place Of Birth: London
Date Signed: Progressed from trainee in 2001
Last Club: Tranmere (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: 34-
2005/06 Goals: 3-



18 *Aniket* Brkovic



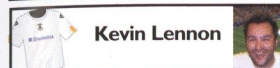
Position: Midfielder
Date Of Birth: 23-09-74
Place Of Birth: Dubrovnik
Date Signed: October 2001
First Club: HNK Dubrovnik
Last Club: Luton Orient
2005/06 App: 44*
2005/06 Goals: 8*



19 *Sam* Parkin



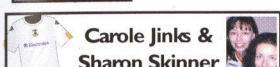
Position: Striker
Date Of Birth: 14/03/81
Place Of Birth: Rothampton
Date Signed: Aug 2006
Last Club: Ipswich Town
2005/06 App: 20
2005/06 Goals: 5



20 *Adam* Boyd



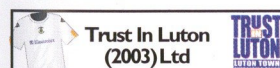
Position: Striker
Date Of Birth: 25-08-82
Place Of Birth: Hartlepool
Date Signed: July 2006
First Club: Hartlepool
Last Club: Hartlepool
2005/06 App: 22
2005/06 Goals: 4



21 *Keith* Keane



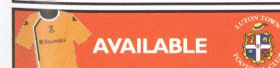
Position: Defender
Date Of Birth: 20-11-86
Place Of Birth: Luton
Date Signed: Progressed from trainee in 2003
2005/06 App: 12*
2005/06 Goals: 1*



22 *Danny* Stevens



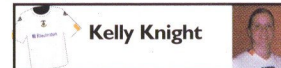
Position: Midfielder
Date Of Birth: 26-11-86
Place Of Birth: Enfield
Date Signed: September 2005
First Club: Tottenham
Last Club: Tottenham
2005/06 App: 1*
2005/06 Goals: 0*



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*



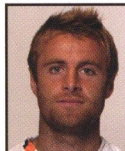
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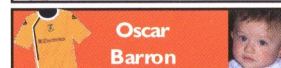
Position: Defender
Date Of Birth: 13-10-78
Place Of Birth: Katrineholm
Date Signed: July 2005
First Club: HJK Helsinki
Last Club: Aberdeen
2005/06 App: 40*
2005/06 Goals: 2*



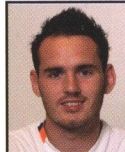
27 *Peter* Holmes



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



28 *David* Bell



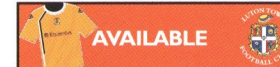
Position: Midfielder
Date Of Birth: 21-01-84
Place Of Birth: Kettering
Date Signed: January 2006
First Club: Rushden & Diam
Last Club: Rushden & Diam
2005/06 App: 9*
2005/06 Goals: 0*



29 *Calvin* Andrew



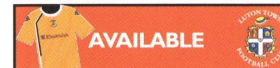
Position: Striker
Date Of Birth: 19-12-86
Place Of Birth: Luton
Date Signed: Progressed from trainee in 2004
Last Club: Bristol City (loan)
2005/06 App: 1*
2005/06 Goals: 1*



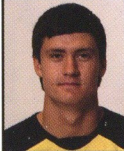
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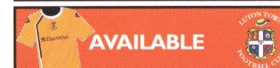
Position: Goalkeeper
Date Of Birth: 02-12-85
Place Of Birth: Luton
Date Signed: Progressed from trainee in 2002
2005/06 App: 6*
2005/06 Goals: 0*



34 *Zac* Barrett



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



Mike Newell



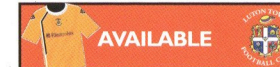
Position: Manager
Place Of Birth: Liverpool
Arrived: 2003
Previous Manager: Hartlepool
Playing Career: Liverpool, Crewe, Wigan, Luton, Leicester, Everton, Blackburn, Birmingham, West Ham, Aberdeen, Bradford, Crewe, Doncaster and Blackpool



Brian Stein



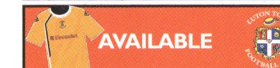
Position: First Team Coach
Place Of Birth: Cape Town
Playing Career: Barnet, Anney, Caen, Luton Town, Edgeware Town



Martin Johnson



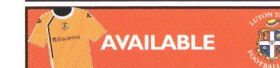
Position: Reserve/Youth Team Coach
Place Of Birth: Wembley
Playing Career: Luton Town



Steve Sedgley



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



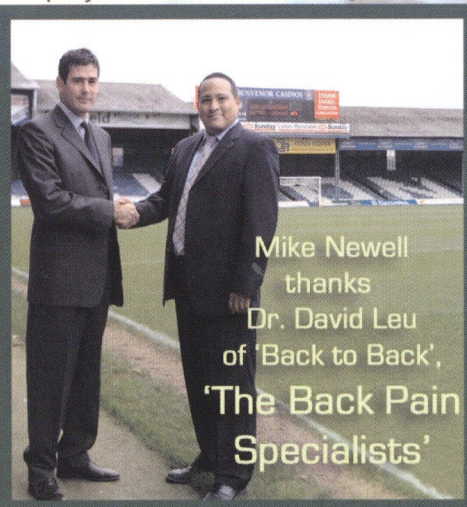
Mark Ridgway



Position: Youth Development Officer
Place Of Birth: London



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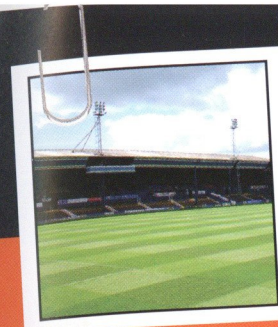
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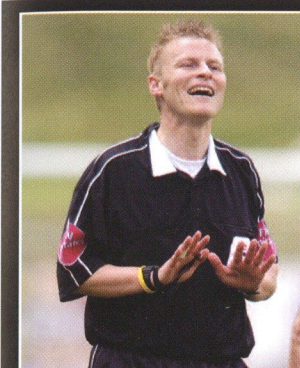
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Around the Ground

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



Name: Michael Jones
From: Cheshire
Matches this season: 15
Number of Yellow Cards: 53
Numbers of Red Cards: 4
Last game at Kenilworth Road: Apr 2004 - Swindon - L0-3

last weekend.

Jones has officiated in 15 games so far this season, producing 53 yellow cards and four red cards.

The Man in the Middle

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

Jones, from Cheshire, officiated in 39 games last season, producing 109 yellow cards and five red cards.

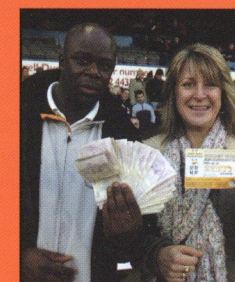
Jones will be officiating in his fifth Championship game this season. He refereed Bristol Rovers' 2-0 win against Barnet

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

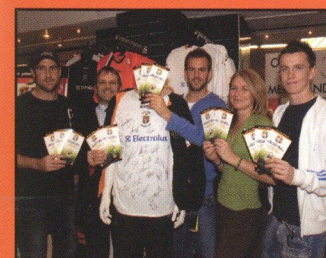
Which current Luton player signed from Preston North End in June 2002

Golden Gamble Winner



Stephanie Chiazza, from Luton, was the latest winner of our Golden Gamble draw. Chiazza, who regularly sits in the Main Stand, scooped the £925 prize during half-time at our recent game with Derby County. Her number was picked out by Marvin Johnson at half-time. Remember, you can buy a ticket from around the ground for just £1.

Debenhams are new In2Win sponsors



Luton Town Football Club are used to drawing in big crowds at Kenilworth Road on a Saturday afternoon and they were at it again at the Luton Arndale Centre, recently.

Hatters trio Kevin Foley, Chris Coyne and Rowan Vine made a

public appearance at the Debenhams Store Luton to help promote them as the new sponsors of the Club's fantastic In2Win lottery.

The players arrived to a huge awaiting crowd to sign autographs and have photographs with their local heroes.

Luton Town's Commercial Executive, Tracy Maddox said: "We are

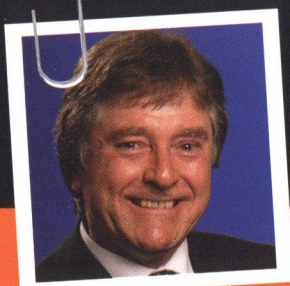
delighted that Debenhams are the new sponsors of our In2Win lottery. Debenhams are extremely keen to play an active part in this project, working with the local community and the Football Club."

Hedley Marsh, Store Manager of Debenhams, said: "We are happy to lend our support to this worthwhile cause and are looking forward to a fruitful relationship with Luton Town Football Club."

All of the Debenhams visitors and Luton Town supporters that signed up for the In2Win Lottery on the day were entered into a special prize draw to win a home shirt signed by the first team squad and management. The lucky winner was Mr Poulton from Luton.

Luton's In2Win lottery has been running for almost a year and has raised over £3,500 for the club's youth development programme.

For information on how to join the lottery, log onto the Club's official website, www.lutontown.co.uk



Commercial news with **Peter Davis**

Peter Davis welcomes this afternoon's sponsors to Kenilworth Road

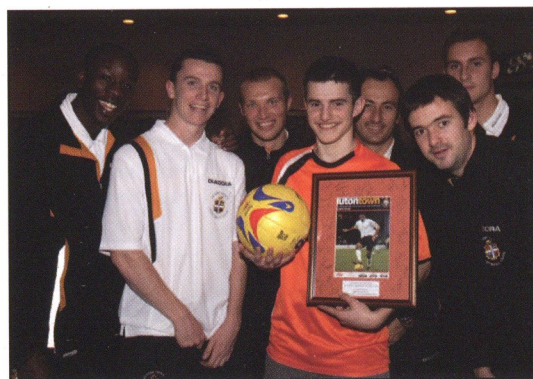
We extend a warm welcome to Kenilworth Road this afternoon to all our commercial partners, sponsors and VIP visitors, to our match against Preston North End. Amongst today's match sponsors, we welcome for the first time A D Bly Construction Ltd, plus Alan Adair and Friends, who is celebrating in style his 40 years of supporting Luton Town. During this time Alan has watched the Hatters play at no less than 117 different grounds.

Luton Town Club Savers Account

We are delighted to announce the launch this week, of a brand new commercial partnership between the Club and Norwich & Peterborough Building Society and with it the launch of a Hatters Fan Savings Account. This tremendous joint venture is aimed at existing, regular, or potentially new club savers, who just by opening a savings account on line at the Luton Town Club Savers Account, as administered by Norwich & Peterborough, could earn for Luton Town, thousands of pounds over the forthcoming years. Offering competitive rates of interest, this safe, secure, at no cost to our fans savings account, will provide additional opportunity in years to come, for the club to continue to invest in its future, both on and off the field. Fans can open a Luton Town Club Savers Account by logging on to www.lutonclubsavers.com where full details, including savers interest rates can be found.

Thank you for all your support and enjoy the game.

Peter



Tim Owen, son of Match Ball Sponsor Geoff, being presented with their mementos of the day.



A group of Kit Sponsors enjoying the sunshine in the home dugout prior to our match against Derby



Commercial Mascots Alfie Johnson together with Ben & Charlie Porter receiving their certificates



Kit Sponsors representative of the day Barry Walker, collecting their match sponsors certificate

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Having watched his first match from the main stand at Kenilworth Road, at eight years of age, Alan Adair is this year celebrating his 40th season of supporting the Hatters and what better way to celebrate, than to get together with his closest friends and become today's match sponsor. A life full of great memories supporting the Town, including the League Cup Final win over Arsenal and following the Club to 117 different grounds are just but two. Many players have stirred his imagination over the years, but he has finally elected Malcolm MacDonald and Bruce Rioch as his all time greats. Another great memory which came from our FA Cup tie against Liverpool this year, was of the great Steven Gerrard shaking his hand. We all wish him a lot more enjoyable years supporting the club and in particular thank him and his guests for their support here today.

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We have had the opportunity in the past, to welcome brothers at the same match, as commercial mascots, but I do believe that this is the first time that we have had the privilege of entertaining a brother and sister. Therefore, please join me in welcoming seven year old Oliver and six year old Amelia Newton, to Kenilworth Road this afternoon. Oliver and Amelia come from the Northamptonshire village of Bozeat and both attend school in Cogenhoe, pronounced "Cookno", to everyone that knows it. Oliver plays football for the Grendon Sapphires, whilst Amelia is a dancer, but they both admit to Rowan Vine being their favourite "Town" player. Regularly attending matches here in Luton, accompanied by their Dad, we all wish Amelia and Oliver a memorable time with us today.

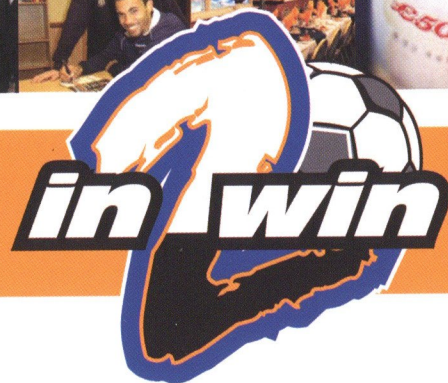
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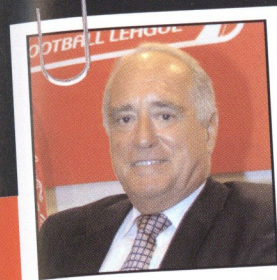


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Football League News

Football League Chairman, Lord Mawhinney, recently published the following article in the Daily Mail

Reading the sports pages of the Daily Mail on any day last week, you could not have missed the coverage devoted to the issues of refereeing and cheating. Personally I am delighted the subject of cheating in football is now part of the public debate. And about time too.

Once again, the role of our sport's independent arbiters is under scrutiny, as is the behaviour of players. When Everton's James McFadden disputed his sending-off against Arsenal on the grounds he had merely delivered a foul-mouthed volley of abuse at the referee, rather than calling him a cheat, it represented a new low.

On-field behaviour is simply not as good as it should be. I agree with Sportsmail's Paul Hayward who wrote: "The hounding of match officials has become an art, premeditated and coached, on and off the pitch, psychologically and physically". In the worst cases, players' behaviour has descended to the depths of outright cheating. For example, in last summer's World Cup Finals, more than half of the 'injuries' that stopped play were shown

to be fake.

For those of us with responsibilities for the wider interests of the game, doing nothing is simply not an option. The prevailing culture of dishonesty, confrontation and constant questioning of the referee's authority has to be reversed and a new emphasis placed on fair play.

Managers need to give a lead in improving players' behaviour and if they will not do it themselves, club Boards should insist. After all, managers are also employees.

Already this season, in the women's Premier League, we've seen an England international sent off for hurling the ball at a referee, who, for his own safety, was escorted from the ground by the police. One can only imagine what effect the behaviour of our top players is having on the impressionable generation of young footballers just learning the game.

As Football League Chairman, I understand the limits of my areas of responsibility. For instance, we do not set the laws of the game, but we do regulate the behaviour of our clubs. That is why at our summer conference I raised my concerns with the Chairmen of our 72 clubs. I was encouraged that, like me, they wanted to see an improvement in this area.

Solidarity is vital because it is club Boards who must set the tone. Too much of the cheating - and I make no apologies for using that word - that we see on match days appears to have its roots on the training ground. It is surely no co-incidence that at most free-kicks we see players taking turns to obstruct the quick taking of the kick. Meanwhile, diving, shirt pulling, stealing ground at throw-ins and elbowing are becoming endemic.

It is therefore up to club chairmen to leave their employees in no doubt that such gamesmanship will not be tolerated. I was encouraged to hear Roy Keane urging managers to take greater responsibility for the actions of their players.

By indicating their support, League clubs gave me a mandate to begin drawing up proposals to promote fair play. This is not empty rhetoric on our part and, just as we have tackled an array of thorny off-field matters - such as payments to agents - we will now turn our attention to these important on-field issues.

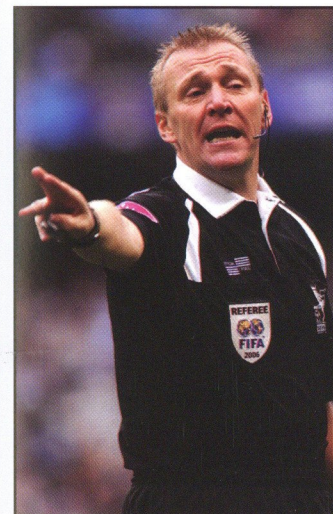
We will make clear our support for referees, and their integrity, examining whether the referee's armoury is sufficient to deal with the challenges posed by the modern game.

Again, I stress that The Football League has no responsibility for the laws of the game, but I can ask for referees to be more stringent in their application of those laws in our matches. One suggestion would be a tougher approach to dealing with players failing to retreat at free-kicks, with this offence leading to an immediate yellow card.

Fans should support the rigorous applications of the laws - even against their own team. Cleaning up the game will make it a better spectacle and preserve the true competitive ethos which cheating is designed to distort. Already, I have met with PGMO General Manager, Keith Hackett, and this dialogue will continue.

We should also look at the use of red and yellow cards to see if they are part of the problem or the solution. Personally, I want to see sin-bins in use in our games and we have written to FIFA twice to offer up our competitions for a potential pilot scheme.

The League is also the only body to have asked supporters for their opinions on this matter. Earlier this year more than 43,000 fans submitted their views and 56% indicated that they would like to see an experiment with sin bins. Tellingly, among fans who are 55 or over - usually the most resistant to change - the figure was as high as 76%. Clearly those with longer memories can remember what it was like when players and managers had greater respect for the referee's authority and football's wider image.

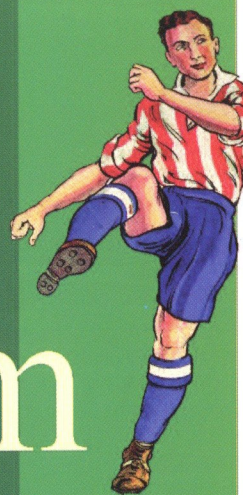


☐ The subject of the standards of refereeing has recently been in the news

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Midweek

Round Up

Steven Dove looks back over the midweek action from the Championship

Preston North End moved top of the Championship, despite being held to a 1-1 draw by Coventry City.

Cardiff City's 3-0 defeat at Stoke City meant Paul Simpson's side leapfrogged The Bluebirds in the table.

The Lilywhites opened the scoring ten minutes before the break when David Nugent headed the home side in front.

Preston, however, were unable to go to the summit with a win, as Dele Adebola deservedly struck an equaliser for The Sky Blues ten minutes from the end.

Cardiff fall from the top of the table after a miserable three-goal defeat at Stoke, as Tony Pulis's side took their winning streak to five straight games.

Three goals in five second-half minutes sealed the win for The Potters, as Ricardo Fuller, Liam Lawrence and Mamady Sidibe all found the scoresheet for the home side.

Cardiff's night ended with a sending off for Stephen McPhail for violent conduct at The Britannia Stadium.

Burnley's fine season continued with a 2-1 win over Leeds United at Turf Moor.

The visitors were put under pressure when Hayden Foxe was shown a second yellow card and sent off after he was adjudged to have handled the ball.

The Clarets then broke the deadlock through Giffon Noel-Williams before former Leeds trainee Andy Gray struck the winner for Steve Cotterill's side.

David Healy scored a consolation for The Whites, but Dennis Wise's side came away with nothing from their trip to Lancashire.

Colchester United made former manager Phil Parkinson's return to Layer Road a nightmare of an experience, as The U's thrashed Hull City 5-1.

After Nicky Forster gave The Tigers the lead, Chris Iwelumo scored the first of his four goals on 19 minutes.

Iwelumo's second came from the penalty spot on 54 minutes before Jamie Cureton made it three for the Essex club.

Iwelumo then made it a hat-trick on 66

minutes before he found the scoresheet for the fourth time on 79 minutes to complete the rout.

Sheffield Wednesday continue to climb the table after a 3-1 win over West Bromwich Albion at Hillsborough.

Glenn Whelan gave The Owls the lead with a header from Chris Brunt's cross before Madjid Bougherra made it two with a header from Kenny Lunt's free kick.

Jason Koumas got a consolation for The Baggies before Steven MacLean struck a penalty in injury time for Wednesday.

Norwich City defeated Leicester City 3-1 at Carrow Road, despite going behind to a header from Patrick McCarthy.

Carl Robinson equalised just before half-time, and Robert Earnshaw hit the winner for The Canaries.

A Gareth McAuley own-goal sealed the three points for the home side in Norfolk.

Crystal Palace held Wolverhampton Wanderers to a 1-1 draw at Molineux.

A Lewis Gubern free-kick gave Wolves the lead, but Dougie Freedman earned a point for The Eagles in the Black Country.

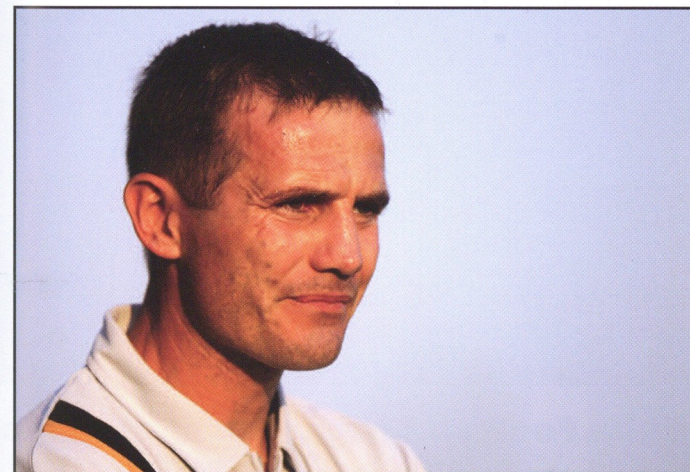
Goals from Daryl Murphy and Grant Leadbitter gave Sunderland a 2-1 victory at Queens Park Rangers.

Ray Jones scored a consolation for QPR.

Finally, managerless Barnsley moved out of the bottom three after a 2-0 home win over Southend United.

Brian Howard gave The Tykes the lead before Kyel Reid sealed three vital points for the South Yorkshire club.

Reid, however, saw his night soured by a late sending off for a second bookable offence.



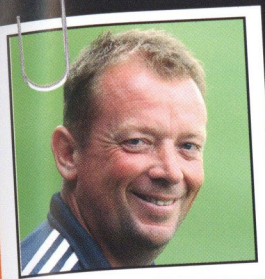
☐ Hull boss Phil Parkinson suffered a nightmare return to Colchester in midweek



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Football in the Community

Stuart Smith brings us the latest news from the Community Department



Good afternoon and welcome to this afternoon's game. Today I would like to update you on the progress of our Girls Development Programme and the early overall success of our Academy training and game programme.

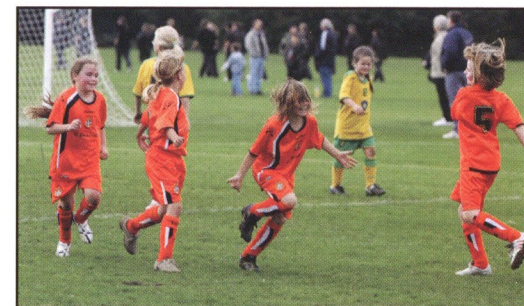
Over the October Half-Term, the Luton Town Girls Academy teams played against Norwich City's Development Centres.

The Girls Academy is funded by Trust in Luton and sees the best young female players in Bedfordshire training at Crawley Green every Monday evening.

The Academy is a stand-alone centre focusing on player development. Currently 12 different clubs are represented in our squads and hopefully through the girl's participation in the academy training, and games programme, all of these clubs will benefit by becoming stronger. Consequently the standard of local girls football will also continue to rise.

There are four squads: Under 10, 12, 14 & 16, coached by Trevor Smith, Andy Kempton, Stuart English and Jon De Souza. The teams competed brilliantly in their first ever matches and achieved the following results:

Under 10's:	Won 5-1
Under 12's:	Won 2-1
Under 14's:	Won 5-2
Under 16's:	Won 5-0



Luton Town Girls side celebrate one of their goals against Norwich City

Norwich City are the benchmark for Girls Football in the East of England, and although the games were against their "reserve" teams, all of their squads had several first-team players supplementing their squads.

A special mention to Holly Boothroyd, who the age of seven, is the youngest member of the Academy. Not only did she have a great performance against the Canaries, she also won the prize for "Healthiest Packed Lunch". As part of our holistic development of young players, we place an emphasis on eating well to assist performance and Holly's meal demonstrated a great understanding of this.

For more details of the Academy contact Football in the Community on 01582 391927.

Enjoy the game
Stuart Smith



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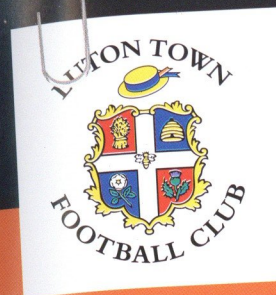
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Luton Town

Ladies

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

With cup commitments and monsoon like weather conditions there has been very little football played since the last home game by any of the Town's squads.

The First team were in County Cup action playing hosts to local County League side Luton Borough. The visitors put up a spirited resistance for the first 13 minutes until Town broke the deadlock when Micky Taylor set up Rebecca Kane for the opening goal. Fay Howell then swung in a corner for Amy Summerfield to head powerfully home, and it was 2-0. After 27 minutes, Kane beat two players down the line before

crossing for Janine Daly to shoot home from close range. Kane repeated the feat six minutes later but this time Tamzine Neale benefited by firing home her first goal for the first team. Taylor made it 5-0 at the break converting another Howell cross.

The second half tempo proved too much for Borough as Daly swerved a free kick over the wall and Carly Cowell finished off another fine move, tapping in at the near post from Howell's cross. Summerfield then added her second, as did Kane, and double figures were brought up with a long range strike from Kaylee Owen for her first goal of the season. She then added her sec-

ond before Kane completed her hat trick having been set up by Stacey Connell. Town finished with a five goal flurry in just eight minutes as fitness told with Owen and Daly both completing their hat tricks and Kane smashed a late six minute hat trick to take her tally to a record breaking six goal haul. 17-0 is also a new record win for the First Team squad who will now face a quarter final against Bedford Town, who defeated our own reserve team 3-0.

Our Under 12 squad have struggled to find points so far this season but despite that they have put in a number of good performances, only to find luck deserting them. Last week they were back on the winning trail in style defeating Stevenage Borough 3-0. Rachel Kosky scored twice and Georgia Hardy was also on target.

The Under 13's welcomed back Olivia Dacosta who has spent the past two seasons with Arsenal and she put in a fine performance but that was not enough to prevent the team going down to a 2-0 defeat to in form Garston.



□ Amy Summerfield (far right) about to head home a corner against Luton Borough

Action Replay

*vs Southampton,
Sunday 25th
October, 2006*



**SOUTHAMPTON 2
LUTON TOWN 1**

Luton Scorer: Perrett (67)
Attendance: 20,482

Picture: In the down-pours at St Mary's Stadium, Russell Perrett shows great bravery to beat Kelvin Davies to the ball and head his first goal of the season, which brought Luton back into the game.





Luton: Kiely, Foley (Bell 65), Perrett, Barnett, Emanuel, Brkovic, Heikkinen, Robinson, Edwards, Feeney, Boyd (Morgan 46).

Subs not used: Beresford, Holmes, Langley

Bookings: Perrett (43)

Goals: Perrett (67)



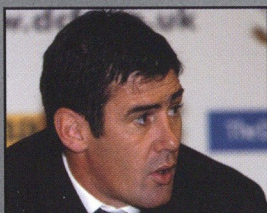
Southampton: Davis, Makin, Baird, Lundekvam, Bale, Vafara (Jones 70), Wright, Pele, Surman, Rasiak, Skacel (Licka 87).

Subs not used: Bialkowski, Ostlund, Wright-Phillips.

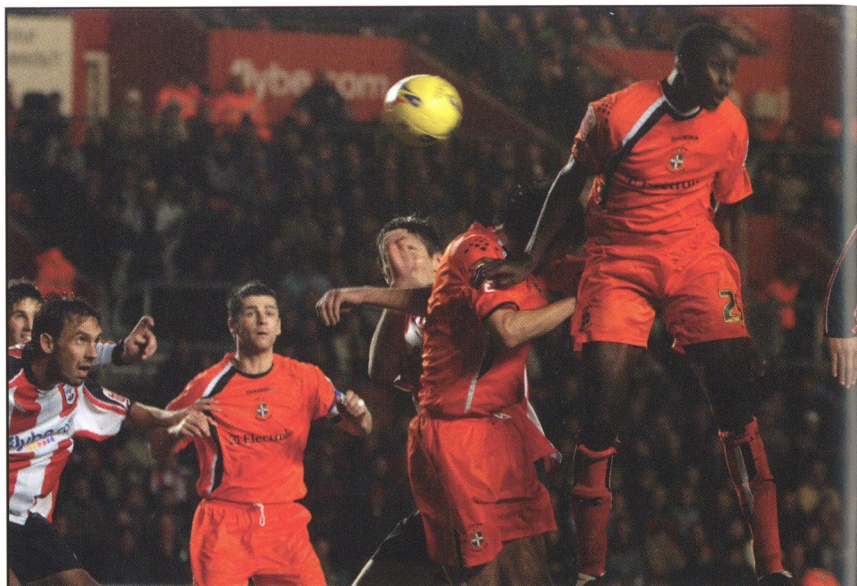
Bookings: None

Goals: Baird (15), Rasiak (38 pen)

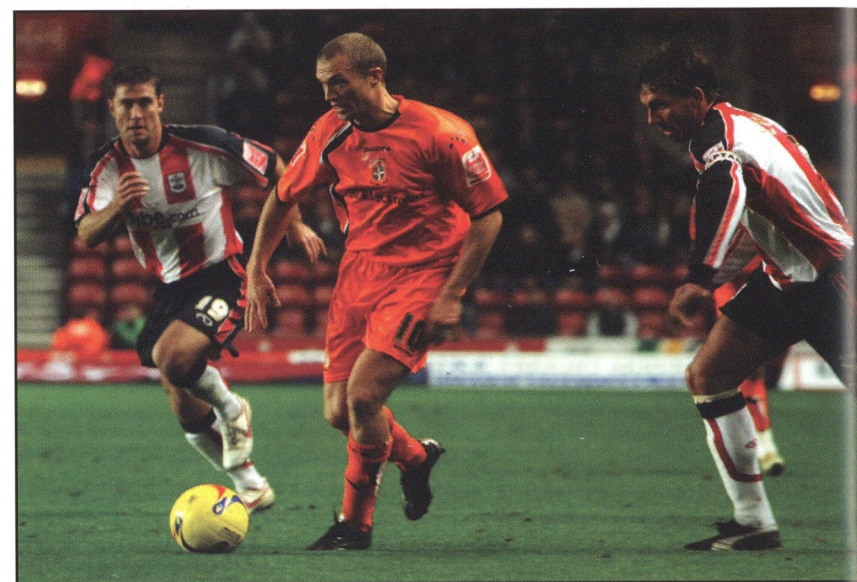
From the Manager



"I think we can do better than just improve. We've hit a very hard part of the season and we haven't got the squad or bodies to cope with what we've been hit with in terms of injuries.



□ Leon Barnett flicks on a Luton cross



□ Warren Barnett mounts an attack for the Hatters

SOUTHAMPTON 2 LUTON 1

Luton turned in a spirited second half performance, but failed to return to winning way against Southampton as two first half goals from the home side stretched their unbeaten run to five games.

The Hatters failed to trouble their opponents in the first half as a header from Chris Baird and a penalty from Grzegorz Rasiak set the home side well on their way to victory.

However, Luton did come out fighting after the break and Russell Perrett's brave header midway through the second half gave them a chance of halting their seven game unbeaten run.

The home side took the lead on 15 minutes when, after Luton failed to deal with a succession of corners, they couldn't prevent Gareth Bale's left

wing cross from finding the head of Baird, who rose highest in the area to power home past on-loan goalkeeper Dean Kiely.

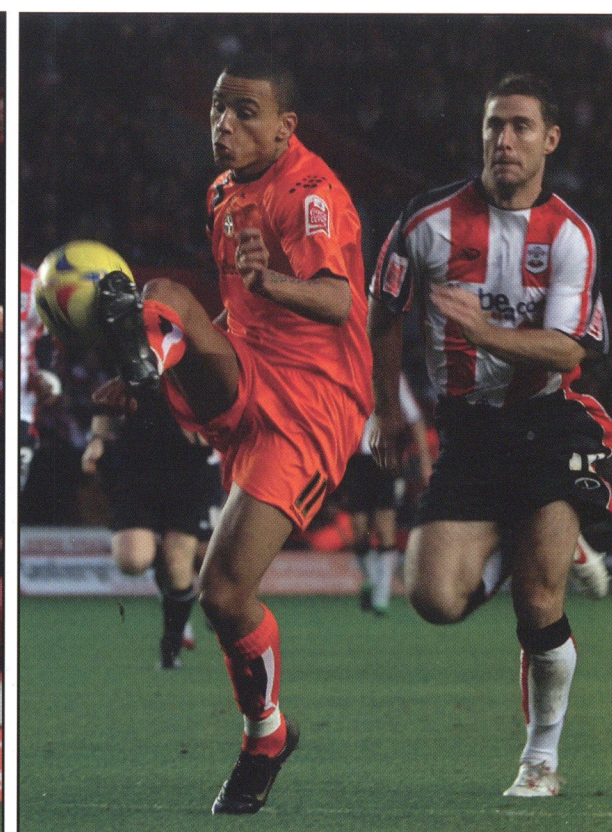
Luton slipped further behind on 38 minutes through unfortunate circumstances when Barnett was adjudged to have handled inside the area by the assistant referee, after Saints goalkeeper Kelvin Davies' long kick up field alluded the Hatters defence.

Despite protests from the Luton players, referee Paul Armstrong kept to his decision, allowing Rasiak to powerful fire home from the spot.

Luton grabbed a consolation through Perrett when the defender rose highest to beat Southampton goalkeeper Kelvin Davis to the ball



□ Ahmet Brkovic rises highest to win this header



□ Dean Morgan goes surging forward for the Hatters



□ Markus Heikkinen looks to take the ball past Southampton defender Pele



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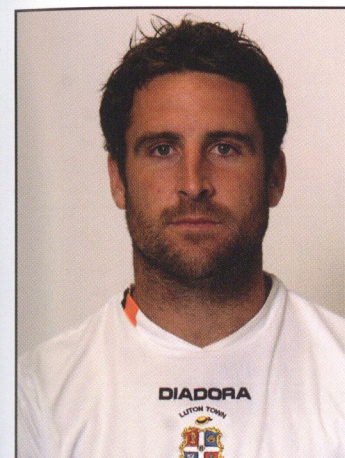
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From the Skipper

Chris Coyne



Chris Coyne
Luton Town Captain

Hello and welcome back to Kenilworth Road for today's game against Preston North End.

After the defeats we've suffered in recent weeks, the lads are extremely disappointed and we are all feeling like we have let people down.

We feel that we have let ourselves down to start with, not mention the management and the supporters, and that's why it is down to the playing staff to start winning games and taking points, both home and away.

We can't pinpoint the problem at the minute, but we know that to start returning back to some kind of form, we should be making our hard work and good work ethics at the training ground count.

While we might feel unlucky on some occasions, (the penalty at Southampton for example) we understand that standing and being counted is the be all and end all at the minute.

We play 90 minutes on a Saturday, but fully understand that hours spent on the training ground are equally important. The lads are busting a gut to rectify the current form.

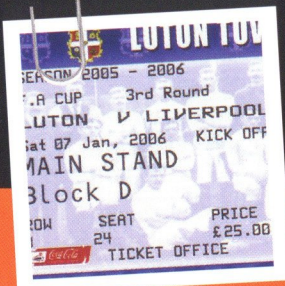
For some it may be doom and gloom at the moment, but not for the players in the dressing room. We will be going all out to win this match this afternoon and show people how much it means to us all.

As always, your support is vital. We are now entering a very demanding month, so your continued support is important.

Continue to get behind the lads and enjoy the game

Chris

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December 16th - 9.00am until 5.00pm
December 22nd - 10.00am until 6.00pm

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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.

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Adult £24.00
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LUTON TOWN V SOUTHEND UNITED
Friday 15th December 2006
Kick-Off 7:45pm



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LUTON TOWN V COVENTRY CITY
Saturday 23rd December 2006
Kick-Off 3:00pm



Tickets are on sale at normal pre-match day prices.

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COCA-COLA CHAMPIONSHIP
COLCHESTER UNITED V LUTON TOWN
Tuesday 26th December 2006
Kick-Off 3:00pm



THIS IS AN ALL TICKET FIXTURE FOR LUTON SUPPORTERS

ALLOCATION: Standing allocation 895, Seating allocation 115. There are four pairs of tickets for Wheelchair Disabled with carer
SELLING ARRANGEMENTS: Tickets are currently on sale to 1 ticket per member until 09/12/06. Any remaining tickets will go on general sale on 11/12/06 until close of business on 23/12/06 (subject to availability)

TICKET PRICES:

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COCA-COLA CHAMPIONSHIP
BIRMINGHAM CITY V LUTON TOWN
Friday 29th December 2006
Kick-Off 7:45pm



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2006/2007 Appearances

This Season										International App			Luton Town Career	
	League		Cup Competitions		Total		Disciplinary		Nation	Caps		App	Gls	
	App	Gls	App	Gls	App	Gls	Yel	Red		Gls				
1 Marlon BERESFORD	18	0	3	0	21	0	0	1	Rep U21 (plus Rep 'B')	2	0	122	0	
2 Kevin FOLEY	19	0	1(2)	0	20(2)	0	0	0		144	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	3(1)	1	0	0	3(1)	0	1	0		100	9			
6 Paul UNDERWOOD	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	Trin & Tob	3	0	69	5	
7 Carlos EDWARDS	19	5	2(1)	0	21(1)	5	1	0		65	7			
8 Steve ROBINSON	18	0	1	0	19	0	0	0		154	11			
9 Rowan VINE	19	8	1(2)	1	20(2)	9	5	0		103	29			
10 Warren FEENEY	10(5)	0	2	1	12(5)	1	0	0		N Ireland	(5)	0	67	8
11 Dean MORGAN	7(10)	1	3	1	10(10)	2	0	0	Rep 'B'			57	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	16	1	0	0	16	1	2	1		16	1			
17 Richard LANGLEY	13	1	1	0	14	1	1	0		14	1			
18 Ahmet BRKOVIC	5(4)	2	2(1)	0	7(5)	2	0	0	Finland			205	37	
19 Sam PARKIN	7(1)	1	0	0	7(1)	1	1	0		7	1			
20 Adam BOYD	4(7)	1	2	1	6(7)	2	0	0		13	2			
21 Keith KEANE	1(1)	0	3	0	4(1)	0	1	0		52	2			
22 Danny STEVENS	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0		1	0			
23 Dean KIELY	2	0	0	0	2	0	0	0				2	0	
24 Shaun ROSS	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0		0	0			
25 Leon BARNETT	20	2	3	0	23	2	3	0		50	2			
26 Markus HEIKKINEN	18	1	0	0	18	1	2	0		58	3			
27 Peter HOLMES	1	0	2	0	3	0	1	0		123	12			
28 David BELL	4(4)	2	3	0	7(4)	2	1	0				20	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: **7**
PENALTIES: **2** OWN GOALS: **0**
FREE-KICKS: **0** TOTAL: **30**

A GAME OF TWO HALVES

FIRST HALF RECORD:

PLAYED **21** - W **8** - D **7** - L **6** - F **13** - A **14** PTS **31**

SECOND HALF RECORD:

PLAYED **21** - W **7** - D **3** - L **11** - F **15** - A **24** PTS **24**

OTHER INTERESTING STATS

Luton Town score first goal: **10**
Opponents score first goal: **12**
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: **8**

Opponents score first and win: **10**
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: **8**

Luton's 2006/07 Stats

THE KEY: Scorer in **Bold** ■ Cautioned; □ Dismissed; *Denotes own goal in Luton's favour
◆ Luton win on penalties → First Substitution → Second Substitution → Third Substitution

AUG 06

SEPT 06

OCT 06

NOV 06

DEC 06

JAN 07

FEB 07

MAR 07

APR 07

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	423	12
Sat 11	QPR	2-3	9,007	1,533	16
Sat 18	DERBY COUNTY	0-2	9,708	1,753	18
Sat 25	Southampton	1-2	20,482	tbc	20
Tues 28	Plymouth Argyle	0-1	9,965	186	20
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	BARNSELY	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			

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2006/07 CHAMPIONSHIP TABLE

	HOME					AWAY					Pts	G
	P	W	D	L	F A	P	W	D	L	F A		
Preston	20	7	4	0	19 6	3	4	2	12	11	38	1
Cardiff	20	6	2	1	16 5	5	2	4	15	15	37	1
Birmingham	20	5	3	1	14 8	6	1	4	15	13	37	8
Derby	20	5	3	2	14 9	6	1	3	17	15	37	7
Burnley	20	6	1	4	18 13	4	3	2	11	8	34	8
Stoke	20	6	3	1	16 4	3	3	4	13	11	33	1
Southampton	20	6	3	1	14 7	3	3	4	16	15	33	8
Colchester	20	8	0	2	25 9	1	3	6	8	16	30	8
Plymouth	20	3	5	3	15 13	4	4	1	12	9	30	5
West Brom	20	6	2	1	20 8	2	3	6	12	15	29	9
Coventry	20	5	1	3	12 7	4	1	6	8	11	29	2
Norwich	20	6	2	2	18 11	2	3	5	10	21	29	-
Wolves	20	6	3	2	14 9	2	2	5	4	14	29	-
Sunderland	20	4	2	3	13 9	4	1	6	14	18	27	0
Sheff Wed	20	5	3	3	16 13	2	3	4	8	13	27	-
Ipswich	20	5	1	4	19 16	2	2	6	11	14	24	0
QPR	20	3	3	5	17 18	3	3	3	14	15	24	-
C Palace	20	4	1	5	10 11	2	4	4	12	15	23	-
Leicester	20	4	3	3	12 10	1	4	5	7	14	22	-
LUTON	20	4	3	3	19 16	2	1	7	7	20	22	-
Barnsley	20	4	3	3	15 13	2	0	8	10	23	21	-
Leeds	20	4	0	6	10 16	2	1	7	12	23	19	-
Hull City	20	2	2	5	8 11	2	3	6	8	18	17	-
Southend	20	2	4	4	13 17	0	2	8	3	20	12	-

TODAY'S OTHER CHAMPIONSHIP FIXTURES

Birmingham v Plymouth
C Palace v QPR
Cardiff v Colchester
Coventry v Stoke
Hull City v Southampton
Ipswich v Burnley
Leeds v Barnsley
Leicester v Sheff Wed
Southend v Wolves
Sunderland v Norwich
West Brom v Derby



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Coming Next

to Kenilworth Road



Luton Town v

Southend United

Friday 15th December 2006, Kick-Off 7:45pm

By Simon Gover

Despite recording a memorable victory over Manchester United in the Carling Cup, and with a trip to Tottenham Hotspur on the horizon, Southend have endured a difficult season.

After being promoted from League One as Champions last season, victories have been hard to come by this time around, and the club languishing at the foot of the Championship table.

With only 12 points collected in the league so far to date, these are worrying times for the Essex club as they stand eight points adrift of safety from relegation.

However, it's not all doom and gloom around Roots Hall. Along with their current cup run, the club are confident of moving to a new 22,000 all seater stadium, which will include a hotel and conference facility.

The club also have a number of talented players, including hot-shot Freddy Eastwood, who has been at massive hit at Southend since signing from non-league Grays Athletic.

Scouts continue to swarm Roots Hall as they track the progress of the 23-year-old striker, who recently shone in the victory against Manchester United, striking the winning goal with a sublime 25-yard free kick.

Eastwood finished his first season in professional football with 24 goals and played a major part in the club's promotion from League Two, as well as netting the opening strike in the play-off final against Lincoln.

He followed that up by finishing last season as the joint leading goalscorer in League One with 25 goals and was named as the fans' player of the year.

The Southend striker has been tracked by Norwich, Derby and Sunderland after his impressive start to the season.

With Eastwood out of contract in 2008, the club could be forced to sell him next summer to prevent him leaving for a cut-price fee.

Talking recently, Eastwood said: "I want to play in the Premiership one day and hopefully I will get the chance to do that."

"However there are some big clubs in the Championship and they have the chance to get to the top flight more quickly."

As well as Eastwood, Southend boast more promising talent in the shape of pint-sized midfielder Jamal Campbell-Ryce and goalkeeper Darryl Flahavan, who is another player that seems to be attracting plenty of interest from other clubs.

A familiar name to Luton fans will be that of Eferobore Sodje. The bandana wearing central defender had a difficult time at Kenilworth Road, making only a handful of appearances, before moving to Crewe Alexandra.

And, of course, the other promising talent in the Southend's set-up is the manager, Steve Tilson, who himself has been linked with vacancies at other Championship outfits.



Head 2 Head

	Luton	Draw	Southend
League	24	13	17
FA Cup	4	0	1
League Cup	0	0	1
Total	28	13	19

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team sheet



LUTON TOWN

Manager: Mike Newell

Flags	Scores		
●	●	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

PRESTON NORTH END

Manager: Paul Simpson

Flags	Scores		
●	●	1 ANDY LONERGAN	
●	●	2 GRAHAM ALEXANDER	
●	●	3 CALLUM DAVIDSON	
●	●	4 DANNY PUGH	
●	●	5 YOUL MAWENE	
●	●	6 JASON JARRETT	
●	●	7 CHRIS SEDGWICK	
●	●	9 PATRICK AGYEMANG	
●	●	10 DAVID NUGENT	
●	●	11 DANIELE DICHIO	
●	●	12 SEAN ST LEDGER	
●	●	14 LIAM CHILVERS	
●	●	15 SIMON WHALEY	
●	●	16 PAUL MCKENNA	
●	●	17 BRETT ORMEROD	
●	●	18 MATTHEW HILL	
●	●	19 ANDY SMITH	
●	●	21 DAVE HIBBERT	
●	●	22 CARLO NASH	
●	●	23 LEWIS NEAL	
●	●	24 JOE ANYINSAH	
●	●	25 ADAM NOWLAND	
●	●	26 BRIAN STOCK	
●	●	28 KELVIN WILSON	
●	●	29 BEN HINCHCLIFFE	
●	●	30 CHRIS NEAL	
●	●	31 WARREN BEATTIE	
●	●	32 ASHLEY PARILLON	
●	●	33 NEIL MELLOR	

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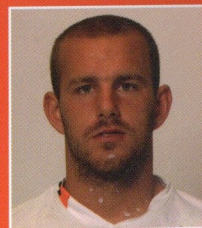
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- O Langford**
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- G R Young**
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North End this
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