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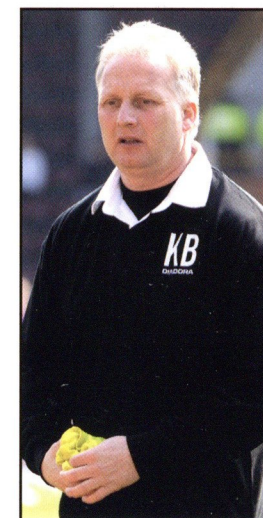
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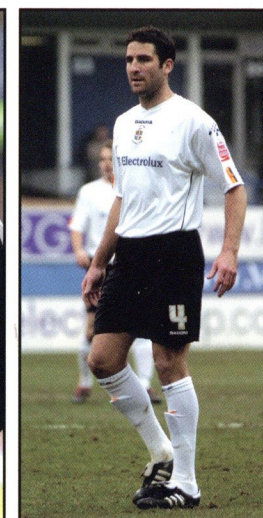
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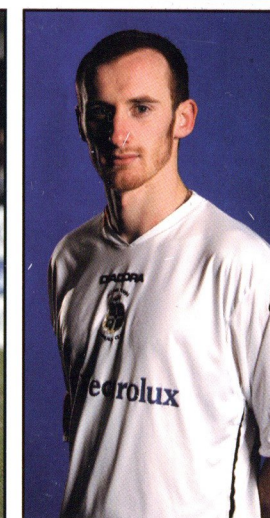
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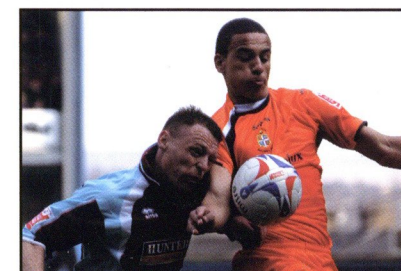
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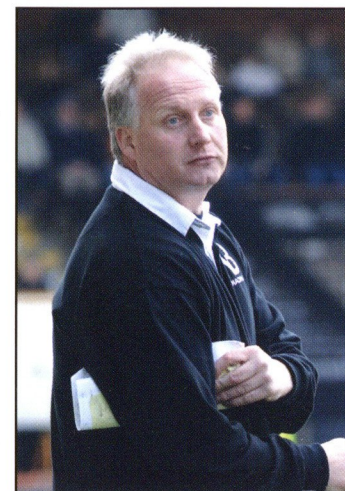
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From the Manager

Kevin Blackwell



**Kevin Blackwell
Luton Town Manager**

Welcome everybody to Kenilworth Road for this important game against Southampton. There's no feeling like going into your first home game as the manager of a football club and today will be a special moment for me.

I have been delighted by the attitude of the players since my arrival last week. Their desire to do well is second to none and like all Luton supporters, they are frustrated by the situation we are currently in.

With have six massive games remaining, but if the players apply

the same attitude on a Saturday afternoon as they have in training then we will give ourselves a chance.

The situation is no longer in our own hands, but we can only concentrate on our own performances.

I was pleased with our display at Burnley last week. It would have been nice to come away with a win, but I was delighted by the character shown by the players.

They knuckled down to a shape and system that we wanted them to play and they showed certain things in set-pieces that they had remembered from earlier in the week.

The work-rate, particularly in the second half, was excellent, and we had chances that were more than half-chances and on another day one might have gone in.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank you, the supporters, for the many letters I have received since my arrival last week.

I have been on the footballing road for around 20 years now and the support I have received has been fantastic.

I'm delighted to be here at Luton

Town at what looks to be a very exciting time. The board impressed me with their vision and the way they're taking Luton Town forward so I had little hesitation in joining the Club.

This is a big job, but the future looks very bright for Luton. It's a challenge, but I've come for the bigger picture as well. We'll be giving it all we've got to try and stay up because we don't want to spend a year trying to get back to the Championship.

The staff and people around the club have made me settle in extremely quickly.

Sometimes I feel that the staff at football clubs don't get enough praise, but they have made things exceptionally easy for me and I thank them for that.

Finally, I would like to welcome George Burley and his players and staff to Kenilworth Road. They impressed last weekend at Wolves and with them vying for a Play-Off place, we know just how tough this afternoon will be.

Enjoy the game and get behind the lads.

Kevin Blackwell

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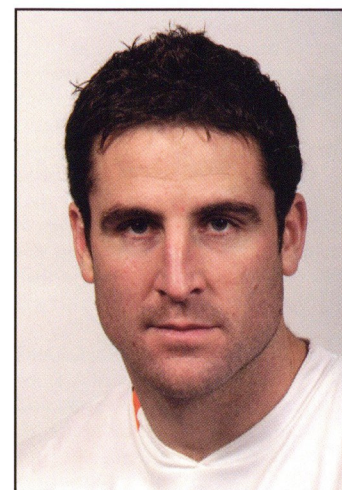
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VIKINGS RIVER SPLASH



From the Skipper Chris Coyne



Chris Coyne
Luton Town Captain

This is a big time of change at the Club with a new manager but it has been very positive since the Gaffer came in. It's a fresh voice, a fresh face, fresh ideas and it's perked the place up. Training has been good with a good tempo and everyone is buzzing.

We're now starting one of the biggest weeks of my career with three massive games in eight days that could make or break our season. But after the match at Burnley we really think that they're all winnable. Before that we were on a real losing streak but we put

on a very good performance at Turf Moor, especially in the second half, and now we go into this busy Easter period full of confidence.

I know that Southampton are coming off the back of a great result after they thumped Wolves 6-0 last Saturday but that can sometimes work against you and make you over-confident. We can't be worried about what they did last week in any case, we just have to focus on what we're doing.

Then it's QPR on Monday and that's a real crunch game. Either we can drag them down into the relegation places or they can put us in more trouble. It's become a bit of a derby game against QPR over recent years so we'll probably take some good support to Loftus Road, especially as it's a Bank Holiday. We're looking forward to a great atmosphere and a good game.

And next Saturday Plymouth are here and again that fixture's had some added spice to it lately since Joe Kinnear upped the stakes and turned it into a bit of a grudge match the season we both got promoted together.

So they are three tasty matches and we're all looking forward to them, but in the end it doesn't matter who we play. It's about us now and we have to win. It's even more

important for us to pick up points with other teams around us winning.

I remember an important Easter weekend when we were promoted from League Two in 2001-02 and we played Mansfield at home needing points to clinch promotion. We had a great game down here, beat them 5-3 and that just about saw us up. Now we need a big Easter for a different reason.

I'm just so relieved that I'm fit again because I'd have hated to be sitting in the stands this week. It's been a horrible season for me personally with injuries and it's just not something I'm used to because I've been very fortunate so far.

But I suppose that makes it harder to deal with when you have a whole season of missed matches. Now I'm just glad to be back and doing my bit for the team again.

It's great to welcome big clubs like Southampton here. We want to play top clubs and that's why we're so desperate to beat this drop. We still believe that we have it in us.

Get behind the lads and I hope you enjoy the game.

Chris

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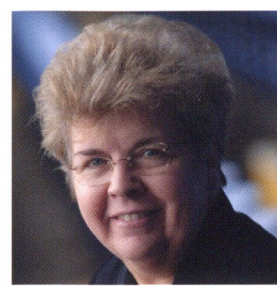
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From the Club Secretary

Cherry Newbery

Good afternoon and welcome to everyone to today's game, I would like to extend a particularly warm welcome to Kevin Blackwell on behalf of everyone at the club for his first home match as Manager.

I can now confirm the dates for our two remaining outstanding Pontin's Holidays Combination League matches. We will play Oxford United here at Kenilworth Road on Tuesday May 1 kick-off 2pm and due to fixture congestion Norwich City have kindly agreed to play our scheduled home match at their training ground at Colney on Thursday May 3 kick-off 2pm.

The outstanding Under-18 Puma Youth Alliance match versus Colchester United will now be played on Saturday April 21 at Luton Rugby Club kick-off 11am.

We have progressed to the final of

the Under-18 Beds FA Floodlit Cup, when we be playing AFC Dunstable, but at the time of writing we have no confirmed date for this match.

We are pleased to welcome local poet John Hegley to the match today and also former world karate champion Willie Thomas. We also have as guests of the club and our community department 120 members of SV1932 Wiesbaden – Frauenstein who are on tour from Germany to celebrate their 75th Anniversary. We hope you enjoy your visit to Kenilworth Road.

Congratulations are due to Luton Rugby Club who last Saturday became Midlands One Champions and achieved promotion to National Three – so congratulations to everyone involved at Luton Rugby Club.

We have a pitch presentation today by Bobbers Travel Club

representatives to Jon Bowden our Senior Physiotherapist. He will receive a cheque for £1,290 which represents the purchase of four scale 70 exercise bikes. As always we are very grateful for the continued support of the Bobbers Travel Club.

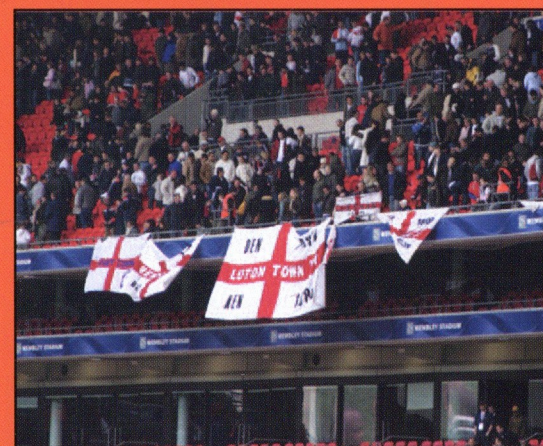
Prices for season tickets next season will be announced shortly, but in the meantime can we advise you the last date for renewal at the discounted price will be close of business on June 4.

Finally, please get behind the team – your support does make a difference.

Enjoy the game

Cherry

Hatters fans experience Wembley thrill



Luton may not have been in action last weekend, but Hatters fans were still out in force.

One lucky Hatters follower was one of the first to witness the new Wembley Stadium. Chris Penniston, who is a season ticket holder at Kenilworth Road, was among the strong 60,000 crowd that witnessed England's Under 21 play their Italy counterparts in a thrilling 3-3 draw.

Chris sent in this photo of a Luton flag in the new Wembley Stadium and admitted that the arena was impressive.

If you are a Luton Town fan who follows England around the world, then why not drop us your pictures.

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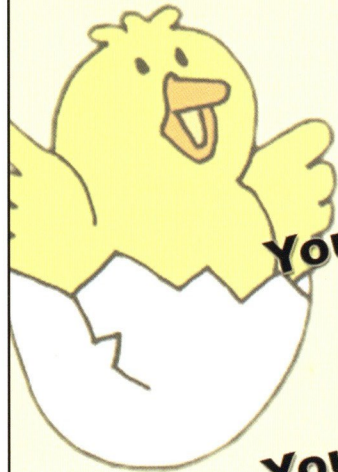
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Championship Form Guide

The latest Championship form guide and
a look at today's other games

The Easter holidays brings around another important part of the season with two games in three days for most Championship teams.

The pick of this afternoon's fixtures sees WOLVES (6th) face an difficult task in rectifying their 6-0 defeat at the hands of SOUTHAMPTON (7th) last weekend when they travel to inform SUNDERLAND (3rd), who remain unbeaten since the turn of the year.

Roy Keane continues to work wonders at the Stadium of Light. It's 14 games undefeated for the Black Cats, who are now firmly on the heels of the leading two, DERBY (1st) and BIRMINGHAM (2nd).

BURNLEY (18th) did their chances of avoiding relegation a power of good in midweek with a comprehensive win over

PLYMOUTH (13th). That was their first victory in 18 games and they make the tough trip to Birmingham this weekend to try and record their first back-to-back wins since late September.

The recent wayward form of PRESTON (4th) means they are in danger of slipping out of the play-off places this week, a position they have occupied for most of the season.

Away defeats to LEEDS (23rd) and QPR (20) has seen the chasing pack make up a lot of ground and Paul Simpson's men face another difficult away game this afternoon when they make the trip to CRYSTAL PALACE (12th).

WEST BROM (5th) are another team who are desperate for a win this afternoon as they go in search of only their second victory in seven games. They take on STOKE (9th) at the Hawthorns.

BARNESLEY (21st) are in desperate need of the points in their bid to avoid the drop. Although they are just hovering above the relegation zone, they are likely to fancy their chances against IPSWICH (15th) after having won two of their last three away games.

CARDIFF (8th), who are without a win in their last three games, will need to get back to winning ways when SHEFFIELD WEDNESDAY (11th), who are unbeaten in their last seven, are the visitors to Ninian Park.

Meanwhile, COVENTRY (14th) will be hoping to maintain their impressive form under Iain Dowie when they take on QPR, while LEEDS (23rd) face a must-win game against Plymouth at Elland Road.

TODAY'S CHAMPIONSHIP GAMES

Birmingham v Burnley
C Palace v Preston
Cardiff v Sheff Wed
Coventry v QPR
Ipswich v Barnsley
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Sunderland v Wolves
West Brom v Stoke

HOME FORM TABLE

Last six league games

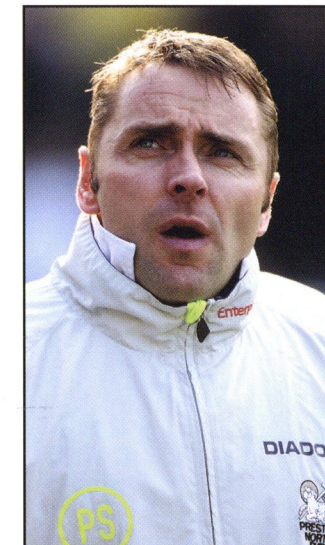
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Birmingham	5	1	0	8	1	7	16
Cardiff	5	0	1	11	4	7	15
Preston	5	0	1	11	5	6	15
Sunderland	4	2	0	12	3	9	14
Derby County	3	2	1	12	7	5	11
SOUTHAMPTON	3	1	2	11	8	3	10
Crystal Palace	3	1	2	8	5	3	10
Plymouth	3	1	2	10	9	1	10
Leeds	3	1	2	9	8	1	10
Norwich	3	1	2	6	5	1	10
Wolves	3	1	2	7	11	-4	10
Hull City	3	0	3	11	8	3	9
Colchester	2	3	1	6	3	3	9
Stoke	2	3	1	7	5	2	9
Ipswich	3	0	3	8	8	0	9
Southend	2	2	2	9	5	4	8
West Brom	2	2	2	8	8	0	8
QPR	2	2	2	7	7	0	8
Sheff Wed	2	2	2	11	12	-1	8
Burnley	1	3	2	6	4	2	6
Leicester	1	3	2	7	8	-1	6
Barnsley	2	0	4	7	10	-3	6
LUTON	1	0	5	8	14	-6	3

AWAY FORM TABLE

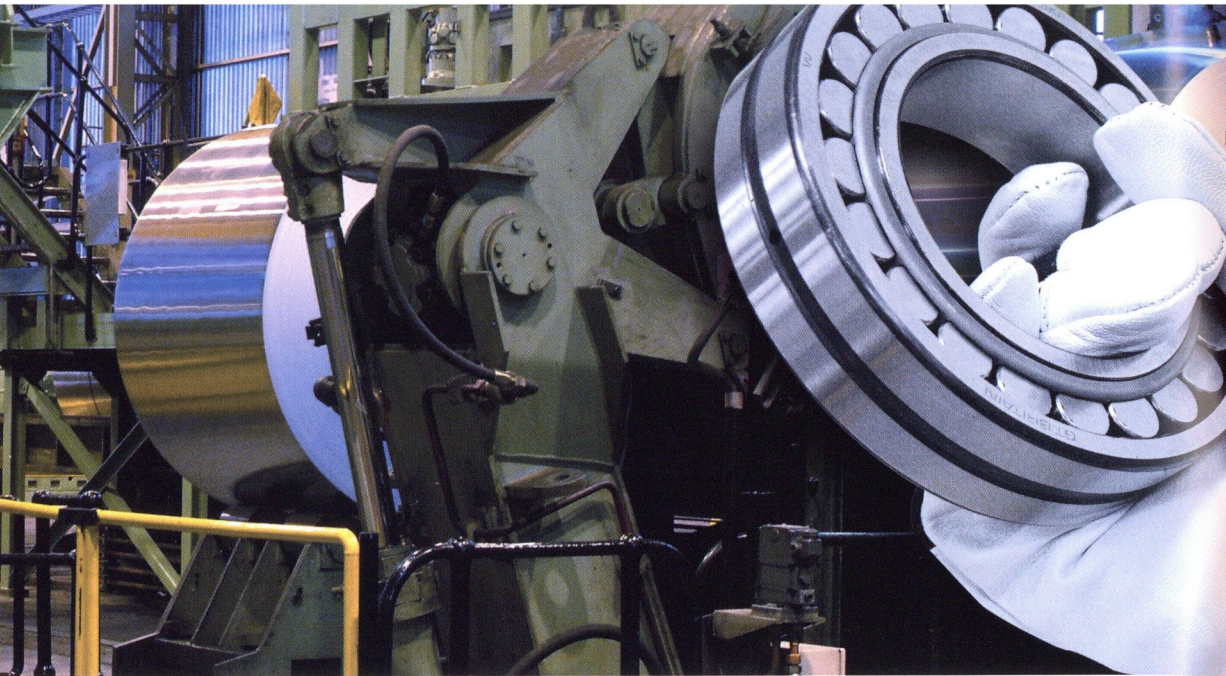
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Derby County	4	0	2	7	5	2	12
Barnsley	3	0	3	10	13	-3	9
Stoke	2	2	2	6	5	1	8
Sheff Wed	2	2	2	10	10	0	8
Crystal Palace	2	2	2	6	6	0	8
SOUTHAMPTON	2	1	3	12	8	4	7
Ipswich	2	1	3	7	6	1	7
Leicester	2	1	3	9	11	-2	7
Southend	2	1	3	8	13	-5	7
Norwich	2	0	4	8	12	-4	6
Colchester	2	0	4	8	14	-6	6
Cardiff	1	2	3	7	10	-3	5
Birmingham	1	2	3	3	6	-3	5
Hull City	1	2	3	5	11	-6	5
QPR	1	2	3	5	11	-6	5
LUTON	0	3	3	2	5	-3	3
Preston	1	0	5	5	11	-6	3
Plymouth	0	3	3	5	13	-8	3
Leeds	0	2	4	3	7	-4	2
Coventry	0	2	4	3	12	-9	2
Burnley	0	1	5	2	9	-7	1

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▢ Preston boss Paul Simpson faces a difficult trip to Crystal Palace this afternoon



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Welcome to Southampton

Fresh from an impressive 6-0 win against Wolves at the weekend, Southampton will be looking to keep the momentum going this afternoon and make a final push towards the Play-Offs.

JAMES MARSH welcomes today's visitors to Kenilworth Road

After a turbulent few years in which Southampton have had four managers and three chairmen, Saints fans now have genuine hope that this season could see them climb back into the Premiership. After relegation from the top tier in 2005 under Harry Redknapp – and the prolonged saga of the former West Ham boss's return to arch-rivals Portsmouth the same year – manager George Burley now seems to have steadied the ship, and his side lie seventh, just three points off a play-off place.

After Redknapp's departure, and the brief caretaker tenure of Dave Bassett and Dennis Wise, Burley has gradually stamped his mark on the side, even though off-the-pitch distractions have lingered. Under-pressure Chairman Rupert Lowe resigned in the summer of 2006 to be replaced by Jersey businessman

Michael Wilde, who himself stepped down in February this year. Current chairman, Leon Crouch, will be hoping that Saints have now recovered from their mid-season dip in form to sneak into the top six.

If the 1976 FA Cup-winners last away match is anything to go by, Saints are certainly a danger team. A 6-0 mauling of sixth-place Wolves at Molineux delighted fans, not least because of a hat-trick from on-loan Polish striker, Marek "Saga" Saganowski. That triple took his total to seven in ten games for Saints since his switch from AC Troyes in January, and his form has been a major factor in Southampton's return to play-off contention. Equally impressive in attack have been the pacy duo of Trinidadian Kenwyn Jones and young Bradley Wright-Phillips, who

have netted 14 and ten goals respectively this season. If top-scorer, Grzegorz Rasiak, is back from a virus he picked up on international duty in Poland last week, Burley will have an enviable selection problem to solve.

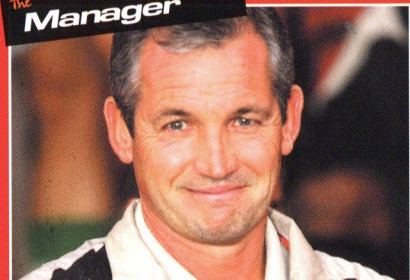
Yet despite this flourishing strike-force, perhaps the most potent threat comes from midfield in the form of young Welsh wizard Gareth Bale. The 17-year-old is likely to return to the side after scoring for Wales last week, and the attacking left-sided player is one of the most exciting to emerge in British football over the past decade. Bale, who was the subject of a rumoured £10m bid from Spurs in January, is the one to watch as the men from St. Mary's look to secure their seventh away win of the season.



The Opponents

The Southampton players who will be on show at Kenilworth Road today

The Manager



George Burley got his first job as a manager in 1994 at Colchester, where he finished his playing career. However, just six months later he was appointed manager at another former club Ipswich Town.

During an eight-year reign at Portman Road, he won promotion to the Premiership, where he guided the unfancied Ipswich to a remarkable fifth place and into the UEFA Cup. But the dream went sour, the European adventure was over by Christmas and was followed by relegation from the Premiership a few months later. When Ipswich then struggled in the Championship, Burley's time was up.

In 2003, he became interim manager of Derby County while boss John Gregory was suspended. He halted Derby's alarming slide towards relegation from the Championship and was given the Rams job permanently when Gregory was sacked, but the following season was a struggle, with Derby finishing a place lower, even though there were signs of improvement.

In 2004-05, despite spending no money on new players, Burley transformed Derby from relegation contenders to play-off semi-finalists. However, off-the-field problems led him to quit in June 2005.

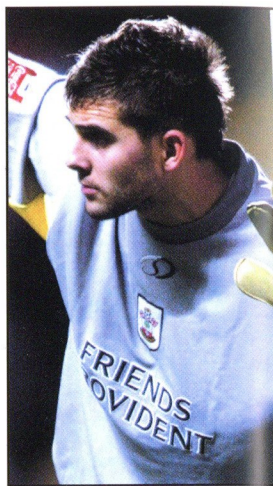
He immediately became manager of Hearts and got off to a stunning start as the Edinburgh club topped the Scottish Premier League after ten games, winning eight of them, including a 4-0 trouncing of city rivals Hibernian. However, Burley left the day after major shareholder Vladimir Romanov announced a bid to take private control of Hearts. Burley joined Southampton in December 2005 after the departure of Harry Redknapp, finishing eighth in his first season, 12th in his second and pushing for the play-offs this season.

The Goalkeepers

Southampton have four goalkeepers vying to become No 1. Former Hatter **KELVIN DAVIS** is the current choice after manager George Burley snapped him up from Sunderland in the summer of 2006. Kelvin made 91 appearances at Kenilworth Road before moves to Wimbledon and Ipswich followed. **BARTOSZ**

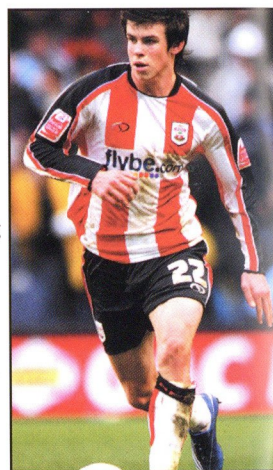
BIALKOWSKI (pictured) is a Polish Under-21 keeper who has made eight appearances since his move from Gornik Zabrze in January 2006. He caught Burley's eye while on trial at Hearts.

MICHAEL POKE made it to the bench for the final two games of 2003-04 when both Antti Niemi and Paul Smith were ruled out. He has been with Southampton since he was 10, working his way through the youth and reserve teams, and he was recently loaned to Northampton Town. Finally **KEVIN MILLER** has had spells with Birmingham, Crystal Palace, Barnsley and Watford among others during an 18-year career.



The Defenders

GARETH BALE (pictured) was Southampton's second-youngest player ever when he made his debut against Millwall at the age of 16 years and 275 days. He was also picked for the Welsh Under-21 side against Cyprus in May 2006 then won rapid promotion to the full national squad for two friendlies, coming off the bench against Trinidad & Tobago to become the youngest-ever full Welsh international, and setting up the winning goal. **PELE** (the nickname for Pedro Miguel Cardoso Monteiro) joined Southampton from Portuguese side Belenenses in the summer of 2006. **DARREN POWELL** was signed from Crystal Palace a year earlier and quickly became an important part of the team alongside **CLAUS LUNDEKVAM** in central defence. Lundeqvam is a fans' favourite at St Mary's after he arrived from SK Brann for £400,000 in September 1996. A Norwegian international, he has made 350 appearances for the club and is currently skipper. He was named as Norwegian PFA Player Of The Year in 2003-04 and Southampton Player Of The Season for 2005-06. **ALEXANDER OSTLUND** joined for a nominal fee from Feyenoord in January 2006 and has become a cult hero at Southampton for his crunching tackles and exciting runs. The 27-year-old has been a regular in the Swedish side since Euro 2004, but was a surprise omission from the Germany 2006 World Cup. George Burley snapped up **CHRIS MAKIN** from Reading in August 2006. He has made more than 400 senior appearances at the top levels, including a spell under Burley at Ipswich. Makin, who began his career at Oldham, had a year with French club Marseille in 1996 before joining Sunderland. He moved to Ipswich for £1.4 million but then joined Leicester, before helping Reading win promotion to the Premiership last season.

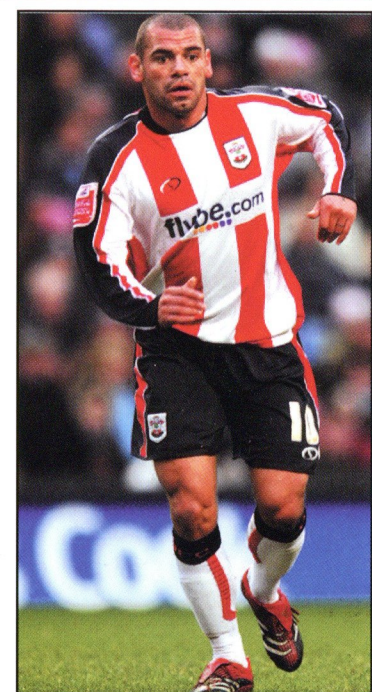


The Midfielders

JERMAINE WRIGHT (pictured) began at Millwall, then went to Wolves, but it wasn't until he moved to Crewe that his career took off. While at Gresty Road, he became an England youth international and Burley, who was Ipswich manager at the time, snapped him up. He passed 200 appearances at Portman Road, then joined Leeds, before rejoining Burley at Southampton in July 2006. **RUDI SKACEL** blossomed under Burley at Tynecastle and when Burley left, he made it clear he wanted to link up with his old boss again, which he did at the start of 2006-07. A fans' favourite in Scotland, he hit 16 goals from midfield in his first season in the SPL, and a host of Clubs were soon interested in him. **DJAMEL**

BELMADI has twice been named Algerian Footballer Of The Year and has played for Paris St Germain, Martigues, Cannes, Celta Vigo and most recently Al Ittihad. His quick feet and quick thinking have added creativity to Saints' midfield although his early impact in 2005-06 was

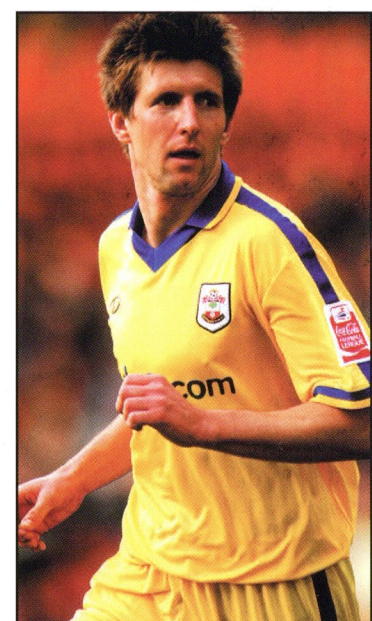
halted by a thigh injury. **NATHAN DYER** made a stunning debut against Southend in the First Round of the Carling Cup in 2005, and was then an ever-present in the Academy side that reached the final of the FA Youth Cup in 2005. He continued to build first team experience during 2005-06 with a loan spell at Burnley where he scored on his debut for the second time in a matter of months. Burley snapped up Colombian midfielder **JOHN VIAFARA** at the start of 2006-07 from Saints' local rivals Portsmouth. Viafara is a winner of the Copa de Libertadores (the South American version of the Champions League) and has impressed Saints fans. **MARIO LICKA** joined Southampton after a trial in the summer of 2006. He was unlucky to pick up a knock in a pre-season friendly but he had still done enough to secure a three-year deal. The Czech midfielder began at Banik Ostrava before moving on to FC Slovacko in 2003. Just 65 appearances followed in the next three years, though, as he struggled to make an impact but Burley was happy to take him on when his contract



The Strikers

BRADLEY WRIGHT PHILLIPS signed a three-year deal at St Mary's after moving from Manchester City for an undisclosed fee. Phillips, a half brother of Chelsea winger Shaun, is an England Under-20 international, who made a total of 32 Premiership appearances for City – 31 of them from the bench. He scored two goals, including one within three minutes of coming on for his debut against Middlesbrough in December 2004. **GRZEGORZ RASIAK** (pictured) joined Derby in September 2004 after a transfer to Italian Serie A side Siena fell through. He scored 17 goals as Derby reached the play-offs in May 2005. That earned the powerful 6ft 3in striker a £2m move to Spurs. However it did not work out and in February 2006 he joined Saints on loan to the end of the season. That became permanent in May with Saints paying Tottenham £2m for the Pole, who signed

a four-year deal before joining the national squad for Germany 2006, where he made one brief substitute appearance. He hit form for Saints this season, with 20 goals by early March. Trinidad & Tobago international **KENWYNE JONES** was signed from W Connection in May 2004. His athleticism and lightning pace made him a bright prospect for the future but he was widely regarded as a raw talent, yet to find his best position. All that changed with a loan move to Sheffield Wednesday in September 2004. Former Saints boss Paul Sturrock added him to his strike force and, aged just 19 when he moved north, Jones went on to hit seven goals in as many starts for the Yorkshire side. On his return to St Mary's, he was used as a substitute in the 2-0 victory over Liverpool and the 2-1 FA Cup victory over local rivals Portsmouth but was then thrown into the first team in the away defeat to Birmingham. He went on loan to Stoke and in 2006 made the Trinidad & Tobago squad for their first World Cup finals.

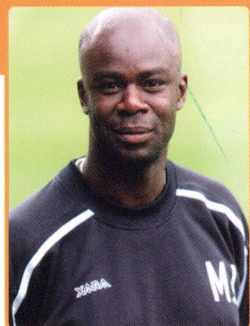


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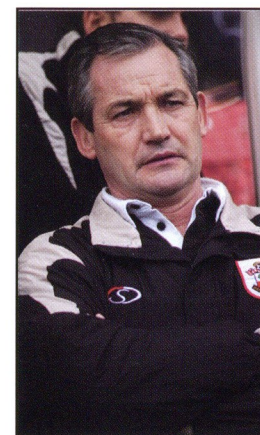
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View from the Opposition

**Southern Daily Echo's Chief Sports Writer
Adam Leitch talks to Chris Rivett**

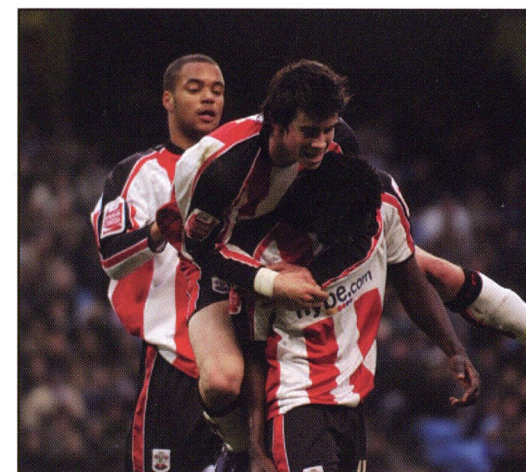


How have Southampton found things since the turn of the year?

It's been up and down. Things were up at the start of the year but took a downturn in March. However, last week's 6-0 drubbing of Wolves hopefully signalled the end of a blip in form and Saints will now push on for a place in the top six.

How has George Burley's most recent signing, Danny Guthrie settled in at St Mary's Stadium?

Danny Guthrie has done excellently since he joined on loan from Liverpool. He's a young lad from Liverpool and it's quite obvious he's been brought up on Anfield's pass-and-move culture. Guthrie gives Saints a little extra quality on the ball in the centre of midfield and George Burley has done well to get him.



What are Southampton's aims for the rest of the season?

They haven't really changed from the beginning of the season - a top six finish. With the parachute payment ending in the summer it's a big season for Saints on and off the pitch and a return to the Premiership would be welcome for many reasons. These things take time and George Burley has built a young squad for the future but this season really is a one-off and a top six finish is what everybody wants and expects.

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

Saints have plenty of good players all through their team. In attack Marek Saganowski has been prolific since his loan signing while Chris Baird has been a rock in defence. Probably the man of the moment is Andrew Surman, a vastly under-rated young midfielder who possesses great quality on the ball.

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

Derby, Birmingham and Saints.



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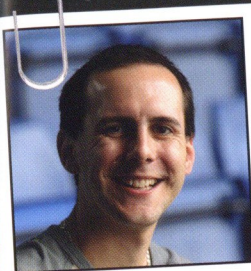
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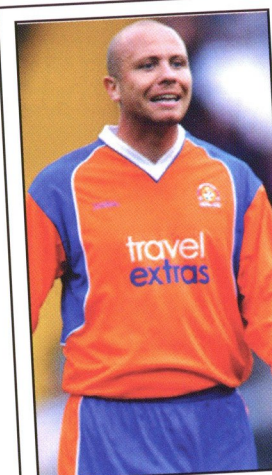
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Stat Attack

Simon Pitts on stats, players and previous meetings between today's two sides

Luton have entertained Southampton 28 times in the League, with the Hatters winning 11 and the Saints eight. Of those games, Luton have scored 59 goals, and the visitors 46. The clubs have also met in four cup matches at Kenilworth Road, with the Hatters unbeaten, winning two and drawing two.



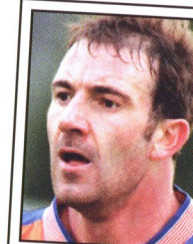
Luton have bought six players from Southampton, with another two – Forbes Phillipson-Masters and Paul Allen – joining on loan. The most recent signings are Kerry Dixon during the 1992-93 season, Richard Dryden 2000-01, and Paul Hughes (pictured) in the summer of 2001. Dixon moved on a free transfer in February 1993, and played 88 times for the Hatters, scoring 20 goals, before he moved to Millwall

two years later. Dryden joined on a free transfer in February 2001, and went on to make 26 appearances for Luton before a move to Scarborough following a successful loan spell. Paul Hughes made it a hat-trick of freebies when he made his move from the South Coast to Bedfordshire. Hughes made an immediate impact, scoring on his debut on the opening day of the season at Carlisle, and then following it up with another goal the next week at home to Cheltenham. Hughes made 88 appearances and scored seven times for the Hatters.

Only three players have made the move from Luton to Southampton, and the last was goalkeeper Sandy Davie in 1970. Bill Henderson was the first to join Southampton, after just two appearances for Luton in the 1920s. Willie Boyd made 13 appearances, and scored 11 goals during the 1935-36 season before he moved south. Boyd is one of only four Luton players to have scored five goals in a competitive match, a feat he achieved when he notched every Luton goal in a 5-3 win against Clapton Orient. Davie had joined Luton from Dundee and after 66 appearances for the Hatters he joined Saints.

Two players have scored hat-tricks against Southampton, and amazingly Hugh Billington did it twice in three days. It was certainly a Good Friday for Billington in 1939 as he hit three in a 6-2 win at Kenilworth Road. He grabbed another in a 2-1 victory against Fulham the following day, before completing a second hat-trick against Southampton in a 4-0 win at The Dell on Easter Monday. Brian Stein scored a birthday hat-trick in 1985 when the Hatters hit SEVEN against England keeper Peter Shilton.

Both the highest and lowest attendances for this fixture have seen draws. In September 1948, 20,257 fans saw Peter Small score his first goal for the Hatters in a 1-1 draw. Just 6,618 watched the match at Kenilworth Road on December 18, 1987 when the points were shared as were four goals. Colin Clarke twice put the visitors into the lead, but Town equalised each time through Darren McDonough and Mick Harford.



There have been two gaps of 14 years between meetings in the League. Jim Fleming scored only twice in the 1962-63 season, and both goals came against Southampton as the sides met on consecutive Saturdays early in the season. After Luton won 3-2 on August 29, 1962, the sides didn't meet at Kenilworth Road until March 1976, and again the Hatters won, this time with a solitary goal from Jimmy Husband. Luton's first win of the 1991-92 season, their last year in the top flight, came from a first Luton goal for Phil Gray (pictured) and a terrific long range strike from Richard Harvey. After that, the sides did not meet again in the League until last season, after Southampton were relegated from the Premiership and the Hatters promoted as Champions from League One. Dean Morgan settled the match with a superb effort in injury time – a great first goal for Luton after a summer move from Reading.

Luton have done the double over Southampton three times – in 1938-39, 51-52, and 85-86. As mentioned above, Hugh Billington scored a hat-trick in both matches in 38-39. Bert Mitchell also scored home and away in 51-52 as Luton won 3-2 and 2-1. Amazingly Brian Stein also achieved this feat in the other double season. Having scored a hat-trick at Kenilworth Road, he hit a late winner when the sides met at the Dell in February 1986. Southampton have also completed three doubles over Luton – in 1947-48, 61-62, and 76-77.

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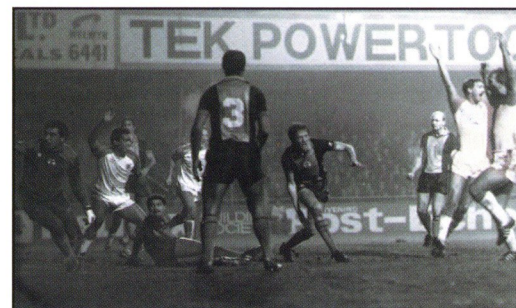
Roger Wash remembers five classic encounters between Luton Town and Southampton

December 3, 1960
Luton Town 4 Southampton 1
Attendance: 12,927

After a poor run, the Town's hopes of a quick return to the top flight had taken a tumble but an eye-catching 6-1 home win over Middlesbrough had re-kindled spirits.

Next up at Kenilworth Road were the Saints and on a pitch that would not have passed muster today, George O'Brien scored early on for the away side, stroking the ball home at the end of a mazy dribble.

Showing glimpses of their new-found form, the Hatters fought back and two opportunist efforts from record goalscorer Gordon Turner gave them an interval lead. Luton had much the better of the second half and mastered the gluepot surface far better than Saints, with Mike Tracey and Allan Brown giving the score a more realistic look.



Clive Goodyear nets a late leveller against Southampton at Kenilworth Road in 1982

November 27, 1982
Luton Town 3 Southampton 3
Attendance: 11,196

After a number of high-scoring matches, newly-promoted Luton were the darlings of the television companies and the BBC Match of the Day cameras were at Kenilworth Road to see Danny Wallace fire in a scorcher and then Keith Cassells put the Saints into a commanding half-time lead.

A Luton penalty miss soon after the break seemed to spur on the players and when Ricky Hill and Brian Stein levelled, there seemed only one winner but David Armstrong, against the run of play, put Saints in front with six minutes to go.

Luton would not give up, though, and Clive Goodyear toe poked in an equaliser at the very end of a breathless game.

October 22, 1983
Luton Town 3 Southampton 1
Attendance: 12,389

The previous season had been a bitter battle to avoid relegation from the top flight, but the new campaign opened brightly and by the time Southampton came to Kenilworth Road, we were still unbeaten at home.

Saints were fourth and England keeper Peter Shilton had

conceded only two goals, but was tested as Town put on as good a show as we had seen at Kenilworth Road for years.

All three Town goals were crackers with Trevor Aylott, in for the suspended Paul Walsh, netting two, and Brian Stein scoring the Goal Of The Season at the end of a sweeping move. The Hatters even missed a penalty with David Moss firing over the bar as they went above Saints in the table.



David Moss has the beating of Saints' David Armstrong

October 19, 1985
Luton Town 7 Southampton 0
Attendance: 8,876

Luton manager David Pleat was frustrated at the Town's lack of goals given the number of chances that were being created but all came right on an overcast afternoon as the forwards suddenly hit top form.

England goalkeeper Peter Shilton ended up picking the ball out of the net seven times despite bringing off a string of fine saves. He was not helped by his defence with Hatters striker Mick Harford pulling England centre-half Mark Wright out of position all afternoon thus allowing Brian Stein to net a hat-trick to go with singles from Emeka Nwajobi, Ricky Hill, David Preece and Ray Daniel.

David Pleat was dumbstruck but not as much as his Saints counterpart – ex-Hatters centre-half Chris Nicholl!

January 2, 1989
Luton Town 6 Southampton 1
Attendance: 8,637

Two days before the clash with Southampton, the Town had gone down 0-4 at Wimbledon in a pitiful performance. Despite this, manager Ray Harford made only one change to the side but crucially also asked Mick Harford to play in his favoured striking role rather than in a deep-lying position.

Harford was back to his awesome best, giving Saints defenders Russell Osman and Kevin Moore the runaround while Roy Wegerle gave one of his unplayable-on-the-day performances. Both players scored twice with Kingsley Black and Ricky Hill hitting the others as the Town showed a ruthless touch that had been missing for several weeks.

"The best finishing I have seen since I have been here," said Ray Harford afterwards.

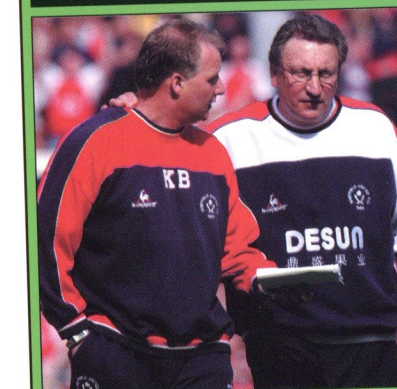
The making of a manager



County grounding... Kevin (middle of back row) celebrates Play-Off promotion with Notts County



Keeping cool... Kevin as a young goalkeeper, with a penalty save at Wembley to his name



Teamwork... Kevin with Neil Warnock at Sheffield United. The two formed a highly successful double-act

The long road that saw KEVIN BLACKWELL go from a kid playing in the backstreets of Luton, to a qualified bricklayer, to a professional goalkeeper, to an assistant manager, to a Championship boss... and finally come back home to Kenilworth Road

Among Kevin Blackwell's earliest memories are the roars of the Kenilworth Road crowd as the Hatters banged in a goal and the home fans went crazy.

Not that he was standing on the terraces among them in those days. He was too young. But Kevin was born in the town and grew up close enough to hear every goal as he played outside, kicking a ball around and dreaming of being part of it one day.

"Even when we were too young to come to the games, our house was near enough to hear the cheers every time a goal went in. We've still got a house in Luton and my Dad still lives here, so it's a bit like coming home.

"Later I used to stand on the Oak Road and cheer on the likes of Jimmy Ryan. I remember my first game against Halifax – my Dad took me into the Bobbers Stand."

Now the day that young fan dreamed of has arrived and Kevin, 48, is the proud manager of Luton Town Football Club.

But the journey that transformed the schoolboy into a manager over the course of four decades has been long and eventful.

It started when he was a young apprentice keeper at Cambridge United, whose manager at the time was the flamboyant Ron Atkinson. Kevin didn't make it and left the pro game, working as a brickie and playing for non-league Bedford Town.

But the dream of a career in football was still alive as the would-be keeper learned his trade. He moved to Barton Rovers and played in the 1978 FA Vase Final, returning to the same final with Middlesex Wanderers. That led to a move to Barnet under Barry Fry – one more giant of the game to

learn from – then on to Boston in 1980. He famously saved a penalty at Wembley in the 1985 FA Trophy Final, although in a losing cause.

In 1986, he was signed by Scarborough manager Neil Warnock – the beginning of a relationship that was to see the two work together at Notts County, Torquay, Huddersfield, Plymouth, Bury and Sheffield United. His transition from player to manager had already begun.

Kevin helped Scarborough win promotion to the Football League and he remained at the club for their first two League seasons, making 44 League appearances

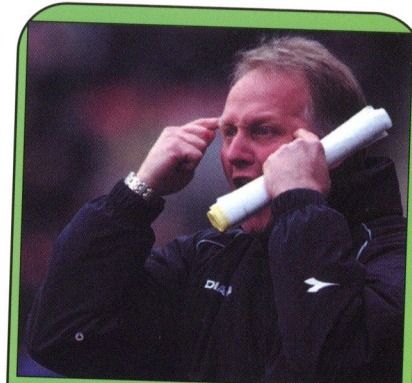
When Warnock moved to Notts County in January 1989, he signed Kevin. And it was at Meadow Lane back in 1991 that Kevin decided he wanted a career in management. He ruthlessly set about earning his coaching badges. Sixteen years later, he is one of Britain's most qualified coaches.

"I wanted to know if I could do it and if I would enjoy it," he remembers, "and I did. It seemed to come naturally."

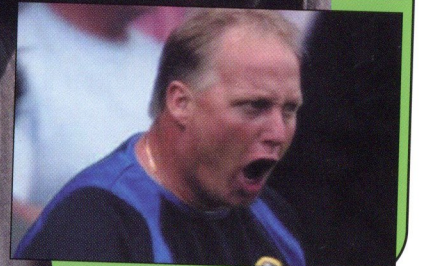
It meant that Kevin has spent nearly every summer hard at work as well as studying during season after season.

First came a coaching certificate in 1991 working with the County Youth Academy. He then took his preliminary

'The future is very bright for Luton. We are aiming for the Premier League'

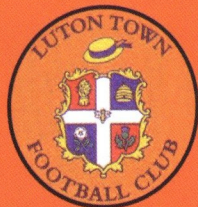


Passion thriller... Kevin shows how much he cares during games – and makes sure the players and officials know too



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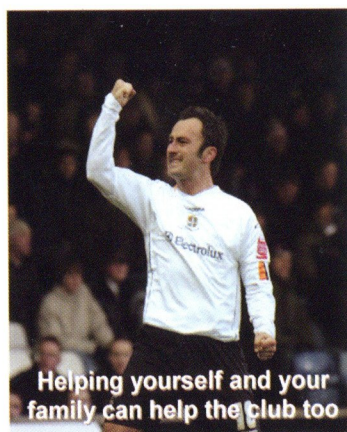
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Local hero... Kevin Blackwell is unveiled as the new Luton boss (left) and takes charge of the team at Burnley

Badge in 1992, and his Full Badge in 93-94. That was the highest you could get but a year later UEFA launched Europe-wide qualifications and Kevin was off again.

He took a conversion course in 95-96 to earn his A Licence as an outfield coach, and added a goalkeeping coach qualification in 96-97.

Still not satisfied, he took a Sports Psychology Diploma at Newcastle University in 1999-2001, a Diploma in Sports Management at Warwick University in 2003 and a Pro Licence a year later.

Meanwhile, he followed Warnock to Torquay, helping the Gulls stay in the League, and on to Huddersfield, doubling as a goalkeeping coach – his first step on the managerial ladder.

In 1995, he became Warnock's Youth Coach at Plymouth, then Assistant Manager to Mick Jones at Home Park. When Jones was sacked in June 1998, Warnock was manager of Bury, and Kevin continued his apprenticeship there, first as goalkeeping coach and then as Assistant Manager.

The two had their biggest test when they moved to Sheffield United in 1999. They took the Blades to an FA Cup Semi-Final against Arsenal in 2003, when only a Freddie Ljungberg goal kept them out of the Final.

There was more heartache a month later when they lost to Wolves in the League One Play-Off Final within touching distance of the Premiership.

It was time to branch out and in June

2003, Peter Reid took Kevin to Leeds United as Head Coach. After working under caretaker manager Eddie Gray he was finally given the title of Manager in 2004. With the club in financial crisis, Kevin worked wonders to take his side to 14th in the Championship in his first season and then 5th and a Play-Off spot.

Leeds beat Preston 3-1 in the Semi-Final but then lost to Watford. But after coming so close, a shaky start next season saw him on his way – and ready for his next challenge. The Luton boy – proud of the fact that he is related to the Hatters' all-time goalscoring record holder Gordon Turner – was back.

At a packed press conference in Kenilworth Road, he said: "I'm delighted to be here at what looks to be a very exciting time. The board impressed me with their vision and the way they're taking the club forward."

"This is a big, big job but the future for Luton looks very bright. It's a challenge but I've come for the bigger picture. We'll be giving it all we've got to try to stay up because we don't want to spend a year trying to get back to the Championship. We've got to believe and we're going to give it a good go."

And his eyes are certainly on the big prize.

"We are aiming for the Premiership," he insisted. "If you aim for the brightest star, then you might just achieve something. I've watched Luton four times since Christmas, so I know what most of them are about. Now I'll

consider everything – the players, the pitch, the opposition – before we decide tactics for any game.

"Players should be able to change from 4-4-2 to 4-5-1 as the situation requires and it's the coaches' job to work with them to make sure they can switch."

What a job he faced. Ironically, before he took charge of his first game, his old Leeds side won in midweek and sent the Hatters bottom.

Between leaving Leeds and joining Luton, Kevin had taken the opportunity to see how the rest of the world coaches and treats players, spending time at Real Madrid, Inter Milan, Lyon, Le Havre and most recently Sao Paulo, the Brazilian champions.

"I was lucky enough through my connections in the football world to be invited to live and work and train with these teams. They said: 'Come and look at what we do'."

"You can't fail to learn from them and now I want to push back the boundaries. All my coaches will be asked to improve and be the best. You can never stop learning."

It's certainly been an impressive learning curve for Kevin that has taken him from Luton via Bedford, Barnet, Boston, Scarborough, Nottingham, Torquay, Huddersfield, Plymouth, Bury, Sheffield and Leeds right back to Kenilworth Road.

Not listening to the crowd from the outside any more or watching from the stands, but sitting in the Manager's office.

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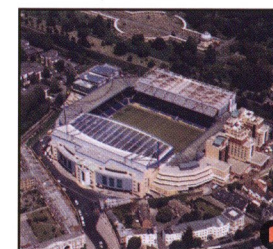
Q Matchday Quiz

Pit your wits in our fun test of all things football

Ten to Tackle

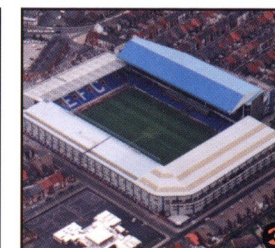
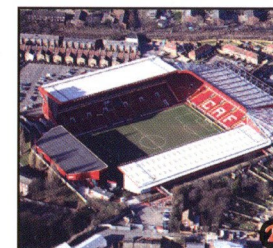
1. Which Spanish team was once managed by Ron Atkinson?
2. How many times have Spurs won the FA Cup?
3. From which club did Aston Villa sign David Platt?
4. Where does former England international Darren Anderton now play his football?
5. Georgian star Georgiou Kinkladze played for which Premier League side between 1995 and 1998?
6. Who holds the record for being the oldest footballer to play in England's top flight?
7. What was the name of Sunderland's ground before they moved to the Stadium of Light?
8. Tottenham face Sevilla in the UEFA Cup quarter-finals soon, but which former Spurs striker will face his old club when the two sides meet?
9. Which club play their home games at Deepdale?
10. Alan Pardew appeared as a player in the 1990 FA Cup final with which side?

Name that Ground



**Name the teams
who play at these
three grounds**

**The answers to all
these questions
can be found on
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Action Replay

vs Burnley,
Saturday March
31, 2007



**BURNLEY 0
LUTON 0**

Attendance: 11,088

Picture: Drew
Talbot played
as the lone
striker at Turf
Moor and is
pictured closing
down Burnley
defender
Graham
Coughlan as
Steve Robinson
supports





Luton: Brill, Keane, Barnett (Coyne 24), Carlisle, Davis (Foley 70), Heikkinen, Bell, Robinson, Spring, Morgan (Andrew 70), Talbot

Subs not used: Beresford, Brkovic

Bookings: None

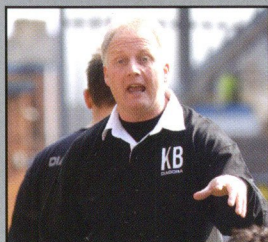


Burnley: Jensen, Thomas, Harley (J O'Connor 69), Coughlan, Jones, Gray, Djemba-Djemba, Akinbiyi (Lafferty 69), McVeigh (G O'Connor 88), Caldwell

Subs not used: Coyne, Duff

Bookings: None

From the Manager



"It would have been nice to come away with a win, but I'm delighted with the attitude of the players. They knuckled down to a shape and system that we wanted them to play and they showed certain things in set-pieces that they had remembered from earlier in the week."



□ Keith Keane is at full stretch to stop Burnley striker Ade Akinbiyi making any ground



□ Burnley midfielder Steven Caldwell is closely watched by David Bell

BURNLEY 0 LUTON 0

Kevin Blackwell ended Luton's run of six successive defeats with a precious point at Burnley in his first game in charge of the Hatters.

The former Leeds manager's tactics added strength to Luton's midfield and frustrated the home team throughout the match with resolute defending.

In fact Luton looked the more likely of the two sides to snatch all three points with a number of half chances in the second-half, which was dominated by the Hatters.

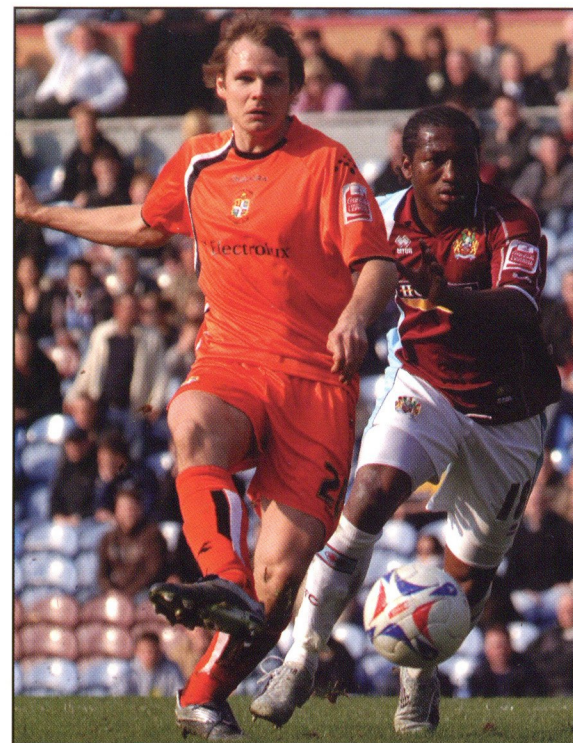
Luton's new look formation saw Drew Talbot play as the lone striker in a 4-1-4-1 formation with Finnish international Markus Heikkinen

playing in front of the back four. Burnley had the better of the first half and only some impressive goalkeeping from Dean Brill helped Luton go into break all square.

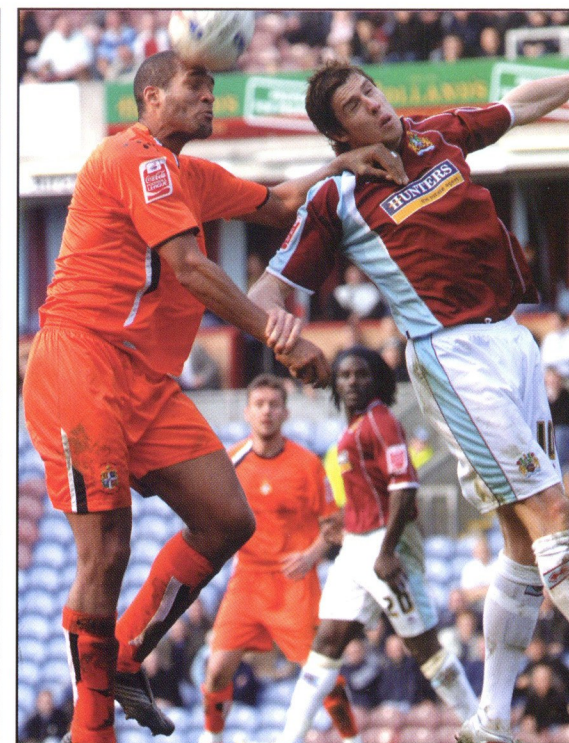
However, it was a different story after the interval with Luton creating plenty of chances.

On 58 minutes, Dean Morgan got in front of his marker to send a six-yard header over the crossbar after Matthew Spring floated over a cross from the right.

Morgan then hit the side netting three minutes later before Matthew Spring twice saw sight of goal, but was unable to work Burnley goalkeeper Brian Jensen.



□ Markus Heikkinen passes the ball clear of danger



□ Clarke Carlisle beats Garreth O'Connor to the ball



□ Dean Morgan holds off a challenge to maintain possession for the Hatters



a relief in a sense. I kind of felt shoved out of Sheffield Wednesday.

"I never actually got my chance there.

"Brian Laws, the new manager, came in and I'd been fit for three or four months without really playing, so they sent me out on loan to Scunthorpe to get a few games under my belt.

"There were rumours linking me with Luton but Laws said: 'He's not for sale'. Then he rang me up and said I could go.

"So when I scored the goal it was a relief to myself that I could still play because it did put a doubt in my mind when he let me go after saying he wanted to keep me.

"When I've been fit I was scoring regularly for the Reserves.

"The lads in front of me were playing really well so I understood that. But when the chance came to put me in or put me on the bench it never really happened.

"I'm not going to hold any grudges because that's football and that's the way it works.

"Although some of the Sheffield lads have still not spoken to me!"

Finally, the breaks are starting to be positive rather than negative, and his abbreviated career thus far has still had its spectacular moments.

Drew had already introduced himself to Wednesday fans by scoring in a local derby against Doncaster Rovers in March 2005, and he greedily helped himself to a match-winning brace in his next outing against Blackpool.

His finest hour, however, was to come in Wednesday's last game of that season - the League One Play-Off Final at the Millennium Stadium, Cardiff.

To set the scene, Wednesday were 2-1 down against Hartlepool United, deep into the second half.

With just 13 minutes of normal time remaining, Owls boss Paul Sturrock made a triple substitution that included sending on Drew with the huge burden of turning the critical situation around.

We'll let Drew talk you through the rest. "I had only been on the field for

Did you know?

Drew was on the receiving end of a Wayne Rooney hat-trick in a 3-2 defeat to Everton during his academy days at Barnsley. Rooney was aged just 12 at the time!

30 seconds and I got pulled down for a penalty, which got us back into the game.

"The guy got sent off as well so they started cracking up. We knew if we played the right way in extra time then the game was ours."

Glenn Whelan then fired Wednesday 3-2 in front during the first period of extra time, and as ten-man Hartlepool pushed forward in search of an equaliser, Drew was lurking at the other end of the pitch waiting for an opportunity to pounce.

And that opportunity came with a long ball out of defence.

"I won my header and managed to run through from the halfway line.

"Everything seemed to slow down and it went quiet. I can't remember anything between winning the header and putting the ball in the net. I just

went blank. I rounded the goalkeeper and managed to put it in and the place erupted. I remember the relief of seeing the ball go into the net."

Drew's face was a joy to behold as he relived his emotions from that sunny afternoon in May. His eyes welled up, his blood was pumping, there was a huge grin on his face.

"There won't be many days that top that for me. It will always have a special place in my heart.

"I have the DVD at home and now and again I watch it as it's one of those things that might never happen to me again. I cherish every moment of it."

However, what goes up must come down, and for Drew another set-back was just around the corner.

A stress fracture of the vertebra sustained in the following pre-season

Question Time

Which current Hatters forward played on the opposing side against Drew in the 2005 Play-Off Final?



had Drew in despair once again. He missed the entire 2005-06 campaign.

"It was tough. There was so much expectation on me after that goal to go on and be a regular figure.

"But I managed to get back and repay the trust that people put in me.

"Now that's all in the past and I haven't had a problem with my back for nearly a year, so I'm hoping that I'll be able to play out the rest of my career without having any more injuries."

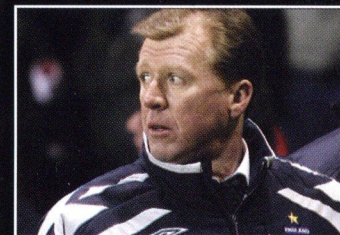
So what next for the man with the Scottish name?

A late surge into Alex McLeish's Euro 2008 qualifying squad? Apparently not, say Drew.

"I'm not even Scottish. My name's Andrew but my dad changed it..."

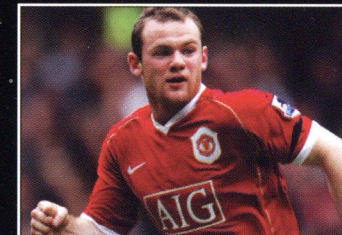
Drew's opinion on...

England's poor form under manager Steve McClaren



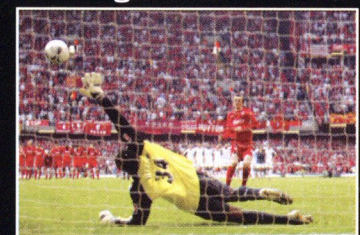
I don't think it's anything to do with McClaren, it's more down to the players. You see them doing so well every week in the Premiership so I don't know why they aren't motivated. There's just so much expectation. I wouldn't take the manager's job as the pressure from the Press makes your life hell. Although I'd snap your arm off to play for England...

Who is the best player in the Premiership?



I'd go for Wayne Rooney. People talk about Ronaldo and Drogba but Rooney's hunger and work rate are there to be seen. He gets wound up but he just wants to win so much, which you don't always see in other players. He can do everything - he loves mixing it and he's got a great football brain. People have to realise that he's still only 21.

Penalty shoot-outs to decide drawn games?



I don't think it will work, to be honest. I never class it as losing a game just because you've lost a penalty shoot-out. Although I do when I've won them! Personally, I've never had trouble taking penalties. I was down to take one in the Play-Off Final if we needed them so I'd take one for Luton any day.

DREAM TEAM BOT

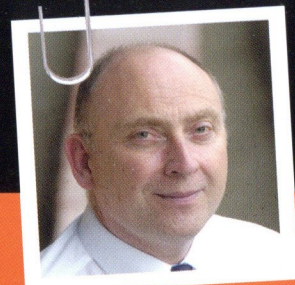


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Roger Wash looks back on every post

Barry HAWKES

Barry followed big brother Ken down from the north-east, signing on for Luton in 1955 but then had to wait almost four years, with National Service getting in the way, before winning his first team debut on the left wing against Manchester United in 1959. Better known as a ball-playing inside forward, Barry managed eight first team starts before being allowed to move to Darlington in 1960 and then to Hartlepool a year later.

After a broken leg ended his professional career, he worked for a wholesale greengrocery company for many years. Now retired, Barry lives in Peterlee.

Kenneth (Ken) Kilby HAWKES

Spotted by Luton's north-east scout Dick Trembath while playing for Shotton Colliery Welfare, Ken joined the Hatters in 1951 but his career at Kenilworth Road was put on hold when he was called up for National Service.

Ken finally broke into the Luton first team in 1957 and was then almost ever-present until the relegation season of 1959-60 and played for the Hatters in the 1959 FA Cup final. A rugged left-back, Ken was part of new manager Sam Bartram's cull in 1961 and he moved on to Peterborough, and then to Bedford and St Neots.

When he finished playing, Ken worked for Walter Clarke and Co for 28 years and received a whole bottle of sherry on retirement! Ken is still a welcome regular at Kenilworth Road.

Ian Michael HILLIER

Welsh Under-21 international Ian signed on as a youth trainee at Tottenham but could not make the breakthrough into the first team in three years at White Hart Lane. Joe Kinnear brought him to Luton in 2001 and in his first campaign at Kenilworth Road he enjoyed an extended run and scored one of the goals of the season during a 2-1 win at York.

Extremely versatile, Ian could play almost anywhere in defence or midfield, which became his undoing as he could not nail down a regular place in a set position after his bright start.

Following a loan spell at Chester, Ian joined Newport County in 2005 and is now in his second season in Nationwide Conference South.

Gordon HINDSON

Gordon was a player who had all the attributes necessary to become a top quality midfielder or winger, possessing speed, ball control and a fierce shot but he rarely grabbed a game by the scruff of the neck.

Allowed to leave by first club Newcastle, Gordon signed for Luton in 1971 for £27,500 but was never a true regular at Kenilworth Road despite making 68 League appearances in just under four years.

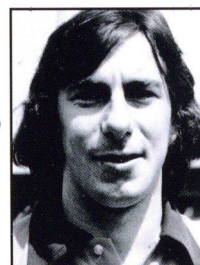
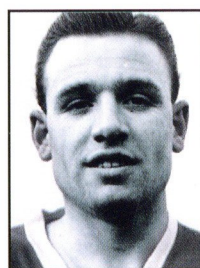
After a loan spell at Carlisle, Gordon signed for Blackburn but a broken ankle ended his League career and he returned to the north-east where he played for and coached a variety of non-League clubs while embarking on a career in Sports and Leisure Centre management.

Lars HIRSCHFELD

Canadian international goalkeeper Lars started his career playing indoor football with Edmonton Drillers before having a spell in Germany.

While playing for his country, he was spotted by Tottenham and he moved to north London in 2002 but found it difficult to win a first team spot and gladly accepted a loan move to Luton, playing five League games for the Hatters in February and March 2003.

Moves to Dundee United and Leicester followed before he threw in his lot with Norwegian side Tromsø, where he was quickly voted the best goalkeeper in their history. Moving to Rosenborg in 2005, Lars helped his new side to the championship the following year.



Luton Town

war player to have appeared for Luton Town

William (Billy) Gerald HOLMES

Balham-born Billy played almost ten seasons in the Football League but managed only 63 appearances.

In three years at first club Millwall, Billy made only one substitute appearance, and then repeated that at Luton, coming on in a 3-0 home win over Blackpool in 1973. A move to Barnet followed and then on to Wimbledon, where his goals helped fire them into the Football League in 1977 but he then swiftly left in an £8,000 transfer to Hereford. Billy's League career finished at Brentford before he spent time at Aylesbury. He sadly died at the tragically young age of 37 in 1988.

Peter James HOLMES

A product of the FA School of Excellence as well as an England schoolboy and Youth international, Peter was snapped up by Sheffield Wednesday where he was coached by ex-Luton hero Ricky Hill.

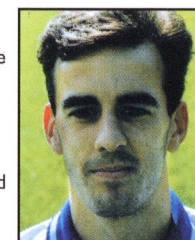
When Hill became manager of the Hatters in 2000, Peter was one of his first signings and the talented midfielder has now become the longest-serving player at Kenilworth Road, although never being able to carve a regular place in the side.

Never letting the side down and banging in some vital goals in more than 100 League appearances for the Town, Peter was allowed to go to Chesterfield on loan earlier this season and is currently loaned to Lincoln.

Paul HOLSGROVE

Son of the Wolves and Sheffield Wednesday stalwart John, Paul started as a youth trainee at Aldershot but after only three substitute appearances in two years moved to non-League Wokingham, where he started to make a name for himself.

Paul then famously became Luton manager Jimmy Ryan's only purchase during his 16 months in charge at Kenilworth Road, but the tall, elegant midfielder turned out only twice for the Hatters before moving on to Heracles in Holland. Back in the UK, Paul had some success at Reading before continuing his nomadic existence through six further League clubs in England and Scotland and then on to non-League Hayes. Paul was last at Windsor and Eton but went back to Hayes as assistant manager last season.



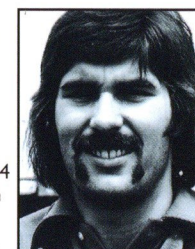
Graham Roy HORN

Giant goalkeeper Graham was another nomadic footballer who played for eight League clubs as well as enjoying a long stay with LA Aztecs in the USA.

Joining Arsenal from school, Graham found it impossible to break through at Highbury and so went on a year-long loan to Portsmouth but mid-way through his time there Luton put in a straight bid for him which Pompey could not match.

At Kenilworth Road, Graham helped the Hatters win promotion to the top flight in 1974 with a series of brave displays but was always competing for a first team spot with Keith Barber and eventually lost out.

Graham finished his League career with Torquay and settled in the West Country, where he still plays village cricket.

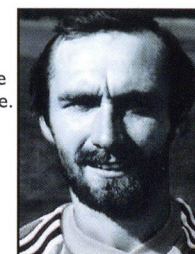


Brian HORTON

Hednesford-born Brian was a late starter in League football and was 21 before making his debut for Port Vale. Making up for lost time, Brian went on to make more than 200 appearances for Vale before moving to Brighton in 1976, where he also broke the double century barrier at the same time helping the Seagulls into Division One for the first time.

Brian was 32 when he moved to Luton in exchange for Tony Grealish in 1981 but he proved to be David Pleat's final piece in the jigsaw and oversaw the Hatters' rise to the top flight as an inspirational skipper and combative midfielder.

After retiring from the playing side, Brian has become a high profile manager at Manchester City among others and is awaiting a return to the game after leaving Macclesfield earlier in the season.



Action Replay

*vs Ipswich Town,
Saturday March
17, 2007*



**LUTON 0
IPSWICH 2**
Attendance: 8,880

Picture: Luton's
Markus
Heikkinen rises
highest to beat
Ipswich Town's
Alan Lee to the
ball in an aerial
contest





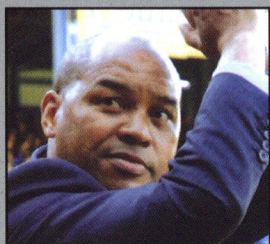
Luton: Beresford, Keane, Heikkinen, Carlisle, Emanuel (Coyne 46), Foley (Runstrom 79), Barnett, Robinson, Bell, Talbot, Idrizaj (Feeney 46)
Subs not used: O'Leary, Brill
Bookings: Robinson (47), Barnett (53)



Ipswich Town: Price, Wilnis, De Vos, Bruce, Garvan, Legwinski (Richards 27), Williams, Lee (Haynes 74), Walters (Clarke 86), Wright, Roberts

Subs not used: Supple, O'Callaghan
Bookings: none
Goals: Lee (39), Richards (62)

From the Manager



"We lacked quality in the real dangerous areas. First half we did OK but we let in an awful goal in an ugly game. I thought the fans would have given the lads a chance. A lot of them are very young and they've never been in this position before. It's not fair on them. It shouldn't affect them but it has done. As soon as they misplace a pass the fans are straight on their backs."



□ Clarke Carlisle gets in a high-kicking challenge on David Wright of Ipswich



□ Warren Feeney shields the ball and takes it round Fabian Wilnis

LUTON 0 IPSWICH 2

Caretaker Manager Brian Stein's first game in charge ended in a 2-0 defeat to Ipswich Town with a goal in each half from Alan Lee and Matt Richards.

Stein gave a debut to highly-recommended loan signing Besian Idrizaj, but took the Austrian striker from Liverpool off at half time to bring on Warren Feeney. The Hatters showed plenty of passion and energy, but struggled to make a real impact on an uneven pitch.

A 30-yard drive from Keith Keane in the first half was comfortable for Ipswich keeper Lewis Price, but then he had to pull off a brilliant save to tip over a Clarke Carlisle drive. Luton did have the ball in the back on

53 minutes when Bell's free-kick was finally finished off by Feeney, but referee Andy D'Urso had stopped the game for a foul by Drew Talbot on Price.

Meanwhile, Alex Bruce hooked a cross onto the bar and Lee headed in the rebound from four yards six minutes before the break.

And just after the hour, Richards calmly side-footed home a Fabian Wilnis cross from the right from close range.

Bell tried his luck on 86 minutes, but his 25-yard effort was comfortably saved by Price. To their credit, Luton came forward until the end, but they never really looked as though they were going to make the breakthrough.



□ New loan signing Besian Idrizaj in first half action



□ Clarke Carlisle wins a heading duel with Jonathan Walters



□ Leon Barnett gets a good jump to pressurise Keeper Lewis Price in a crowded box from a corner kick as Carlisle waits

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Stats for Adam Boyd, Lewis Emanuel, Richard Langley Sam Parkin and Matthew Spring are for their respective clubs last season

01 *Marion* Beresford



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 Apps: 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 Apps: 39*
2005/06 Goals: 0*



03 *Sal* Davis



Position: Defender
Date Of Birth: 04-09-79
Place Of Birth: Cheltenham
Date Signed: August 2002
First Club: Swindon Town
Last Club: Swindon Town
2005/06 Apps: 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 Apps: 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 Apps: 12*
2005/06 Goals: 0*



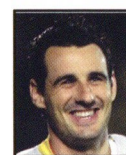
06 *Paul* Underwood



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



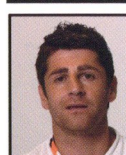
07 *Matthew* Spring



Position: Midfielder
Date Of Birth: 17-11-79
Place Of Birth: Harlow
Date Signed: Jan 2007
First Club: Luton
Last Club: Watford
2005/06 Apps: 44*
2005/06 Goals: 9*



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 Apps: 17*
2005/06 Goals: 3*



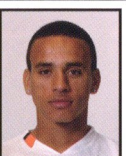
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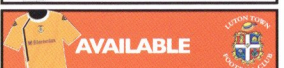
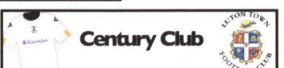
Position: Striker
Date Of Birth: 17-01-81
Place Of Birth: Belfast
Date Signed: March 2005
First Club: Leeds United
Last Club: Stockport
2005/06 Apps: 45*
2005/06 Goals: 7*



11 *Dean* Morgan



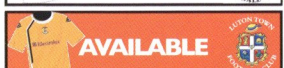
Position: Midfielder
Date Of Birth: 03-10-83
Place Of Birth: Colchester
Date Signed: July 2005
First Club: Colchester
Last Club: Reading
2005/06 Apps: 38*
2005/06 Goals: 6*



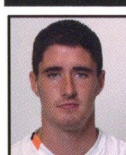
14 *Michael* Leary



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



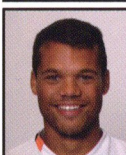
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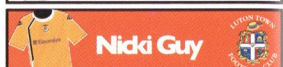
Position: Midfielder
Date Of Birth: 02/02/85
Place Of Birth: London
Date Signed: Progressed from trainee in 2001
Last Club: Trarnmere (loan)
2005/06 Goals: 0*



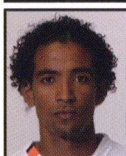
16 *Louis* Emanuel



Position: Defender
Date Of Birth: 14-10-83
Place Of Birth: Bradford
Date Signed: July 2006
First Club: Bradford
Last Club: Bradford
2005/06 Apps: 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 Apps: 34*
2005/06 Goals: 3*



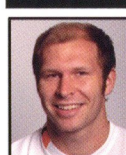
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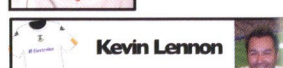
Position: Midfielder
Date Of Birth: 23-09-74
Place Of Birth: Enfield
Date Signed: October 2001
First Club: HNK Dubrovnik
Last Club: Leyton Orient
2005/06 Apps: 44*
2005/06 Goals: 8*



19 *Sam* Parkin



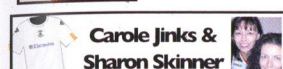
Position: Striker
Date Of Birth: 14/03/81
Place Of Birth: Roehampton
Date Signed: Aug 2006
Last Club: Ipswich Town
2005/06 Apps: 20
2005/06 Goals: 5



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 Apps: 22
2005/06 Goals: 4



21 *Keith* Keane



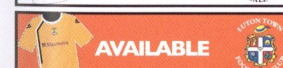
Position: Defender
Date Of Birth: 20-11-86
Place Of Birth: Luton
Date Signed: Progressed from trainee in 2003
2005/06 Apps: 12*
2005/06 Goals: 1*



22 *Danny* Stevens



Position: Midfielder
Date Of Birth: 26-11-86
Place Of Birth: Luton
Date Signed: September 2005
First Club: Tottenham
Last Club: Tottenham
2005/06 Apps: 9*
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 Apps: 22*
2005/06 Goals: 0*



26 *Markus* Heikkinen



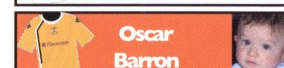
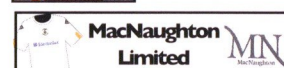
Position: Defender
Date Of Birth: 13-10-78
Place Of Birth: Katrineholm
Date Signed: Jan 2005
First Club: HJK Helsinki
Last Club: Sheffield Wed
2005/06 Apps: 40*
2005/06 Goals: 2*



27 *Peter* Holmes



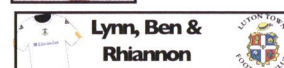
Position: Midfielder
Date Of Birth: 18-11-80
Place Of Birth: Bishop Auckland
Date Signed: Aug 2000
First Club: Sheffield Wed
Last Club: Sheffield Wed
2005/06 Apps: 25*
2005/06 Goals: 2*



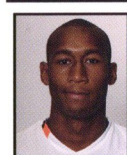
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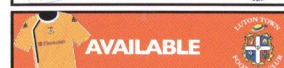
Position: Midfielder
Date Of Birth: 21-01-84
Place Of Birth: Kettering
Date Signed: January 2006
First Club: Rushden & Diam
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2005/06 Apps: 9*
2005/06 Goals: 0*



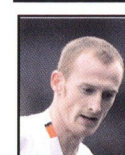
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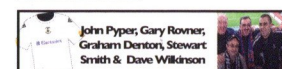
Position: Striker
Date Of Birth: 19-12-86
Place Of Birth: Luton
Date Signed: Progressed from trainee in 2004
Last Club: Bristol City (loan)
2005/06 Apps: 1*
2005/06 Goals: 1*



30 *Drew* Talbot



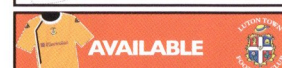
Position: Striker
Date Of Birth: 19-10-86
Place Of Birth: Barnsley
Date Signed: Jan 2007
First Club: Sheffield Wed
Last Club: Sheffield Wed
2005/06 Apps: 0
2005/06 Goals: 0



33 *Dean* Brill



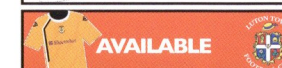
Position: Goalkeeper
Date Of Birth: 02-12-85
Place Of Birth: Luton
Date Signed: Progressed from trainee in 2002
2005/06 Apps: 6*
2005/06 Goals: 0*



34 *Zac* Barrett



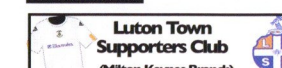
Position: Goalkeeper
Date Of Birth: 25-5-88
Place Of Birth: Stevenage
Date Signed: Progressed from trainee in 2006
2005/06 Apps: 0*
2005/06 Goals: 0*



Kevin Blackwell



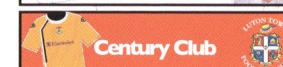
Position: Manager
Place Of Birth: Luton
Arrived: March 2007
Previous Manager: Leeds United
Playing Career: Barton Rovers, Barnet, Boston United, Scarborough, Notts County, Torquay United, Huddersfield Town, Plymouth, Bury and Sheffield United



Brian Stein



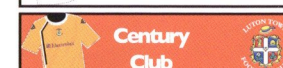
Position: Assistant Manager
Place Of Birth: Cape Town
Playing Career: Barnet, Anney, Cam, Luton Town, Edgware Town



Martin Johnson



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

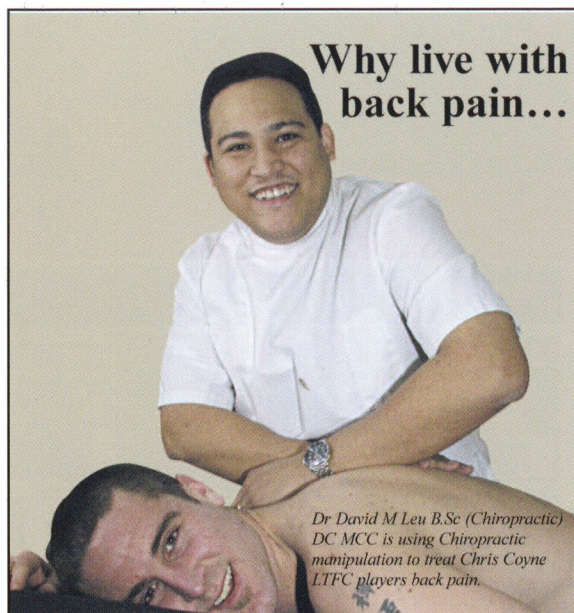


Mark Ridgway



Position: Youth Development Officer
Place Of Birth: London





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Luton
Reserves

A look back at recent wins against MK Dons and Southend United in the Pontin's Holidays Combination

Tuesday March 20
Pontin's Holidays
Combination: East Division
MK Dons Reserves 0 v
Luton Town Reserves 3
(Andrew 45 & 75, Boyd 87)

Calvin Andrew continued his comeback from injury in some style as he bagged a brace in a win over MK Dons.

The young striker has been out with an injury since the start of the season, but his performance was the highlight of a comfortable win for the Hatters.

He scored either side of the break with two headers, firstly connecting with Dean Morgan's corner from the left just moments before half-time.

His second came in the 75th minute when Danny Stevens swung over a corner from the right and the striker came charging into the box to give the MK Dons goalkeeper no chance.

Luton added a third through Adam Boyd in the 87th minute as he tapped home from close range after good work down the flank from Stevens.

Good news for Luton continued with Ahmet Brkovic playing 71 minutes, his first taste of action since damaging his ankle in the FA Cup replay against QPR t Kenilworth Road in January.

Luton played a 3-5-2 formation, with Richard Langley, Russell Perrett, Stephen O'Leary and Chris Coyne getting some much-needed match practice. The game also saw youth player Ben Strang put in an impressive performance in defence.

LUTON TEAM: Dean Brill, Ben Strang, Chris Coyne, Russell Perrett, Ahmet Brkovic (Danny Stevens 71), Peter Holmes, Richard Langley, Stephen O'Leary (Shaun Ross 82), Dean Morgan, Calvin Andrew, Adam Boyd

Subs not used: Zac Barrett, Stuart Sinclair, George Beavan.

Tuesday March 27
Pontin's Holidays
Combination: East Division
Luton Town Reserves 2 v
(Stevens 39, Ross 75)
Southend Reserves 0

A mix of youth and experience produced a solid display against a lively Southend at Kenilworth Road.

The Hatters included Matthew Spring, (first appearance after missing three games), Ahmet Brkovic (adding to his 70 minutes for the Reserves last week after two months out), Adam Boyd and Richard Langley.

But with Kevin Blackwell watching from the stands on the day he was appointed manager, some of the youngsters also got a chance to impress, with defenders Shaun Ross, George Bevan and Ben Strang lining up with midfielder Danny Stevens. Coach Marvin Johnson sprang a surprise by starting Langley as a central defender – and the midfielder looked more than comfortable, winning everything at the back and having the class and time to set up some of Luton's better moves.

But it was Stevens who broke the deadlock after 39 minutes. Boyd found Spring, who laid the ball into Stevens's path and his side-footed finish from 15 yards was so precise Southend keeper Collis didn't move.

After the break, Brkovic missed a chance to increase the lead with a shot from eight yards out after good work from Spring and Stevens.

But Southend were always dangerous and Belgian midfielder Moussa jinked his way through and hit a fierce shot from 12 yards that Luton's young keeper Zac Barrett somehow stopped with an outstretched hand. Luton sealed the win on 75 minutes when Boyd turned neatly outside the box and slipped a fine through ball to

Shaun Ross, who confidently toe-poked home from 14 yards.

LUTON TEAM: Zac Barrett, Shaun Ross, George Bevan, Matthew Spring, Ben Strang, Richard Langley, Ahmet Brkovic (Joe Selby 57), Stephen O'Leary (Dean Hamilton 57), Calvin Andrew, Adam Boyd, Danny Stevens

Subs not used: Ross Faulds, Dwayne Artry, Ashley Harrison-Barker

● **Reserves 2 v Northampton Reserves 1 – Report in next week's programme**

LTFC RESERVES

Date	Opponent	KO/Result
August		
Tue 15	Leyton Orient	D 2-2
Tue 29	MK Dons	W 8-0
September		
Tue 19	Southend United	L 3-1
October		
Wed 18	Norwich City	L 0-4
November		
Tue 07	Stevenage Borough	W 3-1
Tue 14	Colchester	W 1-0
December		
Wed 13	Northampton Town	D 1-1
January		
Tue 9	Leyton Orient	L 1-3
February		
Mon 5	Oxford United	W 1-0
Tues 13	Ipswich Town	L 0-1
Wed 21	Stevenage Borough	L 0-3
Tue 27	Oxford United	P
March		
Tue 6	Norwich City	P
Tue 20	MK Dons	W 3-0
Tues 27	Southend United	W 2-0
April		
Tue 3	Northampton	2pm
Tue 10	Ipswich Town	2pm
Wed 25	Colchester United	2pm

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Ipswich	15	11	1	3	35	15	34
Colchester	16	7	7	2	20	10	28
Southend	14	8	1	5	27	20	25
Northampton	14	6	3	5	15	15	21
LUTON	13	6	2	5	24	18	20
Norwich	13	4	5	4	20	22	17
Leyton Orient	12	3	7	2	16	12	16
Stevenage	14	2	4	8	13	21	10
MK Dons	12	3	1	8	13	27	10
Oxford	13	1	3	9	11	34	6



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COCA-COLA CHAMPIONSHIP
QPR V LUTON TOWN
Monday April 9, 2007
Kick-Off 3pm



THIS MATCH IS ALL TICKET FOR LUTON TOWN SUPPORTERS

ALLOCATION: We have received an allocation of 2,700.

SELLING ARRANGEMENTS: Tickets are on general sale now until close of business today (subject to availability).

TICKET PRICES: Ticket are priced as follows:

Adult £24, Under 16s (with Adult) £5, Under 16s (unaccompanied) £8, U8s Free
Students (21 or under - ID required at turnstile) £14, Senior (Over 60) £14
Wheelchair Disabled and Visually Impaired £13 with a Carer free of charge



COCA-COLA CHAMPIONSHIP
LUTON TOWN V PLYMOUTH ARGYLE
Saturday April 14, 2007
Kick-Off 3pm



Tickets are now on sale at normal pre-matchday prices.

Please note that there is a £2 price increase for tickets bought on the day of the game.



COCA-COLA CHAMPIONSHIP
DERBY COUNTY V LUTON TOWN
Friday April 20, 2007
Kick-Off 7:45pm



Luton supporters can buy tickets in advance from the Ticket Office or pay on the day at Derby although prices will increase by £3 per Adult and £1 per Junior/Senior ticket.

Please note the change of date for this fixture as it is being shown live on television

ALLOCATION: We have received an initial allocation of 1,206.

SELLING ARRANGEMENTS: Tickets are on general sale now until 12 noon on Thursday April 19 (subject to availability).

TICKET PRICES: Ticket prices before the day of the game are as follows:

Adult £24 Seniors (over 60) £12 Juniors (Under 16) £8
Wheelchair and Disabled supporters should contact Derby direct on 0870 444 1884.



COCA-COLA CHAMPIONSHIP
SOUTHEND UNITED V LUTON TOWN
Saturday April 28, 2007
Kick-Off 3pm



THIS MATCH IS ALL TICKET FOR LUTON SUPPORTERS.

ALLOCATION: We have received an initial allocation of 1,455

SELLING ARRANGEMENTS: Tickets are on general sale now until 12 noon on Friday April 27 (subject to availability).

TICKET PRICES: Tickets for this game are priced as follows

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Ambulant Disabled with Carer £12
Wheelchair supporters should contact Southend United direct on 01702 304050



COCA-COLA CHAMPIONSHIP
LUTON TOWN V SUNDERLAND

Sunday April 14, 2007

Kick-Off 1pm



PLEASE NOTE EARLIER THAN USUAL KICK-OFF TIME

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TRAVEL GUIDE



By Car: From the M1 take the M40 towards London then take the A40 towards Central London. At the point where the A40 becomes the A40(M), turn off onto the A40 towards White City/Shepherds Bush and turn right into Wood Lane. Turn right into South Africa Road for the ground.

By Train: There are two Shepherds Bush tube stations, one on the Central Line and the other on the Hammersmith & City line. The latter is nearer to the ground, which is about a ten-minute walk. Alternatively you could try White City tube station on the Central Line. This station is on Wood Lane opposite the BBC Television Centre. It is nearer to the ground and fewer people seem to use it on a matchday.

SUPPORTERS CLUBS

Town on Tour will be leaving Maple Road at 12pm. The fare for LTSC members is £9, £8 concessions and £11 non-members. To book seats for this trip, visit the supporters kiosk or phone 07960 567465. You can book online by visiting the fans section of www.lutontown.co.uk or via www.lutontownfc.co.uk

The Bobbers Travel Club will depart from Cranfield at 11am and Luton at 12pm. Cost for this trip is £12 adults and £10 child and OAP. Supporters wishing to book their place for this trip should visit the Bobbers Travel Kiosk at the back of the Kenilworth Road end of the ground, or telephone 01234 856542.



By Car: From Luton, take the M1 southbound to the M25. On the M25, take the turning for the Dartford crossing, exiting the motorway at Junction 29. Follow the A127 to Southend and continue towards the town centre, through the lights near to the Bell Pub. At the next roundabout turn right (3rd turning), continuing on the A127. The ground is on the right just past the next traffic lights.

Parking: If you turn right as you reach the ground, this will put you behind the away end where there is plenty of street parking to be found. Otherwise there is a car park at the ground, behind the Main Stand which costs £5.

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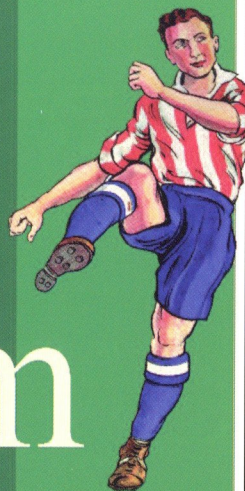
Town on Tour will be leaving Maple Road at 11am with a stop at MK Coachway approximately 30 minutes later. The fare for LTSC members is £13, £11 concessions and £15 non-members. To book seats for this trip, visit the supporters kiosk or phone 07960 567465. You can book online by visiting the fans section of www.lutontown.co.uk or via www.lutontownfc.co.uk

The Bobbers Travel Club will depart from Cranfield at 10:30am and Luton at 11:30pm. Cost for this trip is £13 adults and £11 child and OAP. Supporters wishing to book their place for this trip should visit the Bobbers Travel Kiosk at the back of the Kenilworth Road end of the ground, or telephone 01234 856542.

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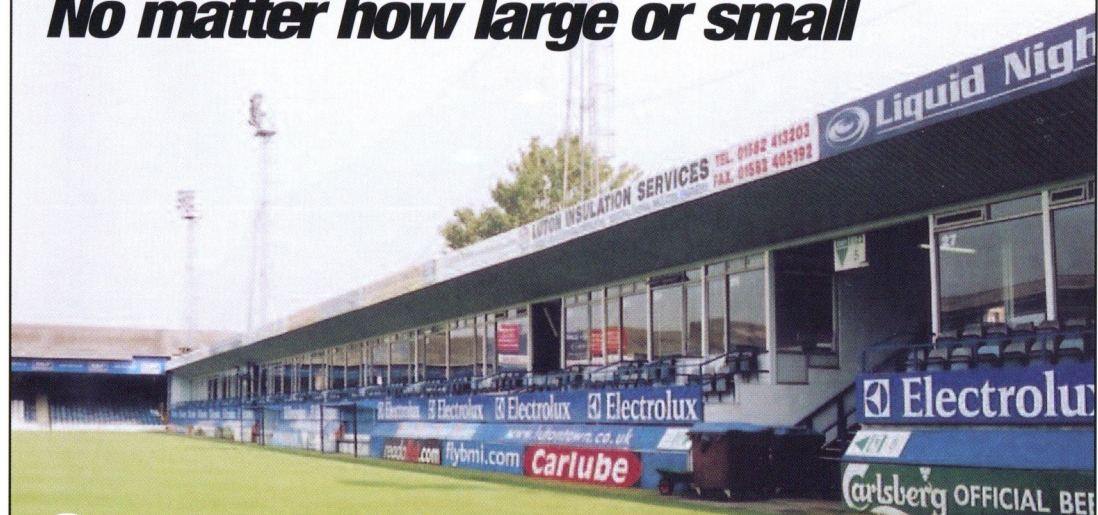
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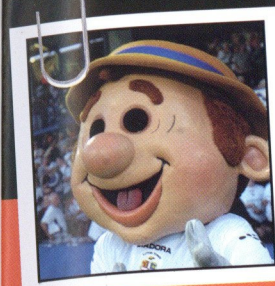
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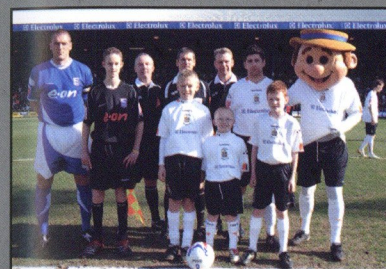
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The matchday mascots are pictured at our last game at Kenilworth Road against Ipswich Town, with both team captains and officials before the match.

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What did the frog order at McDonald's?
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What do little ghosts drink?
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How does a witch tell the time?
She looks at her witch watch.

Today's Mascots

A big welcome to today's Mascot

Home Mascot



Name:
Jamie Webber
Age: 12
Favourite Player:
Ahmet Brkovic
School Attended:
Cardinal Newman
Hobbies:
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WWE Wrestling

Away Mascot

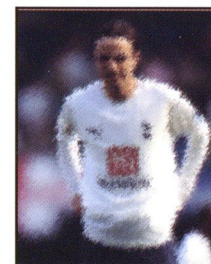


Name:
Joel Sim
Age: 10
Favourite Player:
Gareth Bale

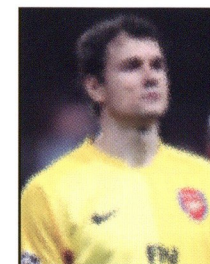
Junior Hatters Quiz

Can you identify these foreign Premiership footballers?

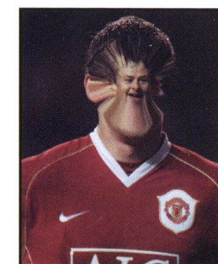
The answers can be found below.



ANSWER



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ANSWERS - GUESS WHO: Dimitar Berbatov, Jens Lehmann, Ole Gunnar Solskjær

Ballgirls

We would like to welcome today's ballgirls to Kenilworth Road. They are Hannah and Elizabeth Waring from Somerset

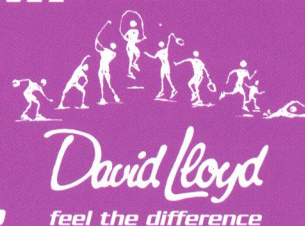
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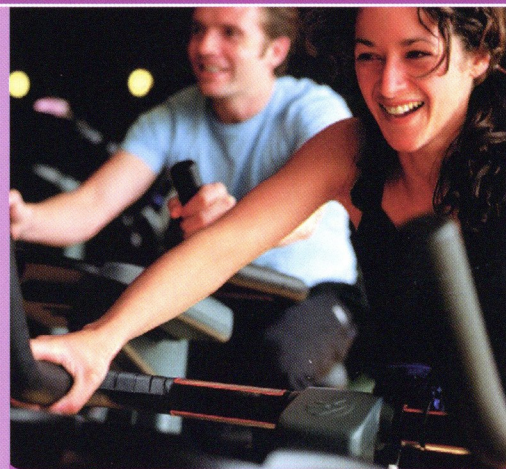


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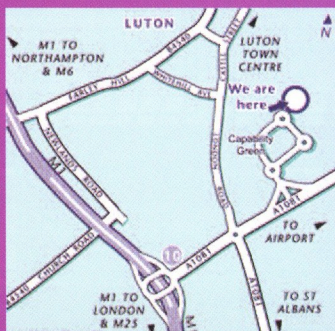
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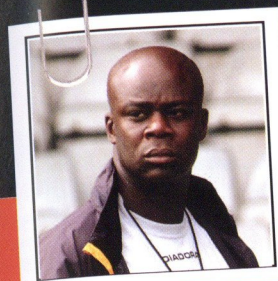
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Luton Youths

Marvin Johnson on a defeat for the young Hatters against Brentford

Saturday March 31
Football League Youth Alliance
South East Division
Luton Town Youth 0 v
Brentford Youth 3

Marvin Johnson had mixed feelings on his side's 3-0 defeat at the hands of Brentford last weekend.

The Hatters Youth Coach watched his side enjoy the majority of the game, but concede three sloppy goals to condemn themselves to a third straight defeat.

"It was a strange game really," admitted Marvin. "We didn't really play as well as I know we can play but I actually thought we were the better side.

"We had most of the possession without really creating any clear cut chances.

"Jamie McGuinness had a good chance when he went through one-on-one with the goalkeeper, but that was probably the only real chance we created throughout the first half.

"All three goals Brentford scored were poorly-conceded on our part. They came through individual mistakes.

"Speaking to the lads at the end of the game, we talked about how we could have eradicated the goals we have conceded.

"Even though we were beaten 3-0, the goals we have conceded were a bit of a disappointment and it's something we need to look at in training."

Johnson handed a debut to

goalkeeper Jorden Gibson, who has been impressing the Luton coaching staff at schoolboy level.

"We handed a debut to Jorden Gibson. He was very nervous. He made a couple of errors and of course they are highlighted when you are a goalkeeper.

"I spoke to Jorden after the game and told him that he would not be judged on just one game.

"I will be looking at using a few more schoolboys in the last three games of the season. These players need a chance so we can see what they can do.

"It will give us a chance to try some new things, but there is still plenty for the lads to play for and we want a strong finish to the season."

The first of three remaining games is an away trip to Rushden & Diamonds next Saturday morning.

The lads then finish the campaign with two home games against Colchester United and Portsmouth. Both matches will be played at Newlands Road with an 11am kick-off.

Meanwhile, the youth team have planned an end-of-season tour to Germany, which will take place on May 23.

Luton: Gibson, Selbey, Beaven, Hamilton, Maitland, Strang, Salapatas, Howells, Harrison-Barker, McGuinness, Osborne-Ricketts

LTFC YOUTH

Date	Opponent	KO/Result
August		
Sat 12	Southend United	L - 2-3
Sat 19	Colchester United	D - 1-1
September		
Sat 2	Hereford United (PY)	W - 7-0
Sat 9	Bristol Rovers (PY)	D - 1-1
Sat 16	Leyton Orient (PY)	L - 0-2
Sat 23	Leyton Orient	W - 1-0
Sat 30	Portsmouth	W - 2-1
October		
Sat 7	Rushden & D (PY)	L - 0-4
Sat 21	QPR	W - 3-1
Sat 28	Wycombe Wanderers	L - 0-1
November		
Sat 04	Northampton Town	W - 4-0
Sat 11	Cheltenham Town (PY)	W - 2-1
Sat 18	Northampton Town (PY)	L - 1-2
Sat 25	Gillingham	L - 1-2
December		
Wed 6	Huddersfield (FAYC rd3)	W - 1-0
Sat 16	Brentford	W - 2-1
January		
Sat 6	Rushden & Diam	W - 3-0
Wed 10	Burnley (FAYC rd4)	L - 0-2
Sat 13	Southend United	L - 1-4
February		
Sat 03	Leyton Orient	L 1-2
Sat 17	QPR	L - 0-5
Sat 24	Wycombe Wanderers	L - 2-4
March		
Sat 03	Northampton Town	W - 5-1
Sat 10	Brighton & Hove Albion	L - 0-3
Sat 17	Gillingham	D - 1-1
Sat 24	Brighton & Hove Albion	L - 0-3
Sat 31	Brentford	L - 0-3
April		
Sat 14	Rushden & Diamonds	11am
Sat 21	Colchester United	11am
Sat 28	Portsmouth	11am

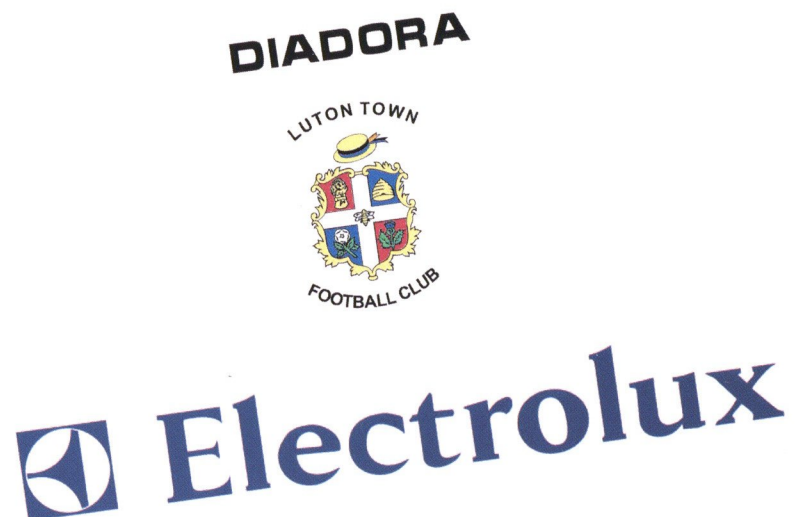
	Pld	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Gillingham	19	11	4	4	43	29	37
QPR	17	11	3	3	41	21	36
Southend	18	10	4	4	40	27	34
Wycombe W	17	9	3	5	27	16	30
Colchester	16	7	6	3	31	21	27
Brighton	16	6	6	4	17	14	24
LUTON T	17	7	2	8	29	30	23
Rushden & D	19	6	4	9	20	34	22
Brentford	19	5	6	8	18	21	21
Leyton Orient	18	5	3	10	18	31	18
Northampton	17	3	5	9	26	43	14
Portsmouth	17	1	2	14	11	34	5

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MANAGERIAL RECORDS

Kevin Blackwell

Played 1 Won 0 Drawn 1 Lost 0 For 0 Against 0
Av Pts/game 1.00
Biggest Win(s) No wins found Biggest Loss(es) Burnley 0 Luton 0 (31/03/2007).

George Burley

Played 63 Won 24 Drawn 18 Lost 21 For 90 Against 76
Av Pts/game 1.43
Biggest Win(s) Wolves 0 Southampton 6 (31/03/2007). Biggest Loss(es) Watford 3 Southampton 0 (26/12/2005).

MANAGER HEAD TO HEAD RECORD

Played ..2	Kevin Blackwell	1	George Burley	1
Draws ..0	Goals 1		Goals 2	

Player with the most...

shots
Rowan
Vine 70

shots on target

Rowan
Vine 35

shots off target

Rowan
Vine 35

assists

David
Bell 6

crosses

Carlos
Edwards 70

fouls

Rowan
Vine 55

free-kicks-won

Leon
Barnett 45



GAMES SINCE

7	a win	0
4	a home win	2
17	an away win	0
1	a defeat	1
0	a home defeat	0
1	an away defeat	1
9	a score draw	2
0	a no score draw	13
1	conceding a goal	1
2	scoring a goal	0
1	conceding > 1	1
4	scoring > 1	0
0	keeping a clean sheet	0
0	failing to score	9
33	back to back wins	21
1	back to back defeats	3
0	gaining a point	0
0	losing a point	1
19	win by > one	0
1	loss by > one	4

Player with the most...

shots
Grzegorz
Rasiak 95

shots on target

Grzegorz
Rasiak 44

shots off target

Grzegorz
Rasiak 51

assists

Rudi
Skacel 8

crosses

Gareth
Bale 141

fouls

Jhon
Viafara 49

free-kicks-won

Gareth
Bale 70

SHARP SHOOTERS

Luton	CCFC Cup Tot			Southamptn	CCFC Cup Tot		
Dean Morgan	4	1	5	Grzegorz Rasiak	18	2	20
Ahmet Brkovic	3	0	3	Kenwyne Jones	12	2	14
Drew Talbot	3	0	3	Bradley Wright-Phillips	7	3	10

TEAM HEAD TO HEAD RECORD

Played ..57	Luton wins	19	Southampton wins	23
Draws15	Goals 104 (1.8 per game)		Goals 99 (1.7 per game)	
0-0's1	Times failed to score 8		Times failed to score 5	

Biggest League win at Luton for each team:

19/10/1985 Luton 7-0 Southampton
23/10/1976 & 16/09/1961 Luton 1-4 Southampton



2006/07 LEAGUE STATS

24	Position	7
40	Played	40
9	Won	17
10	Drawn	12
21	Lost	11
47	Goals For	67
67	Goals Against	48
37	Points	63

Record Against Top Half of Table

W	D	L	RANK	W	D	L	RANK
5	6	10	16	6	8	6	9

Record Against Bottom Half of Table

W	D	L	RANK	W	D	L	RANK
4	4	11	24	11	4	5	6

Record When Scoring First

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7	2	3	24	14	6	3	9

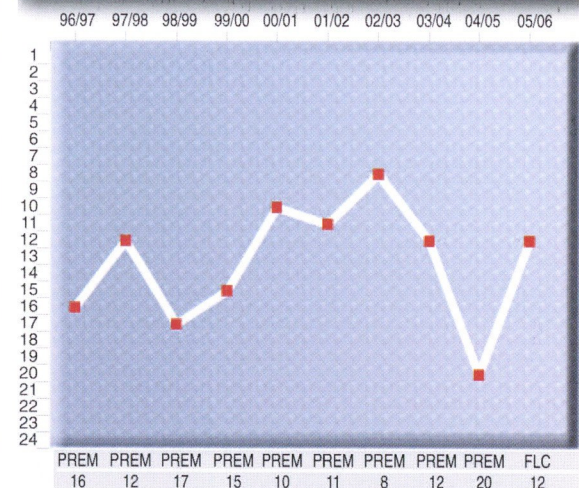
Record When Conceding First

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2	3	18	17	3	3	8	8

Match Scores

Wins: 1-0[1], 2-0[2], 2-1[2], 3-1[1], 3-2[2], 5-1[1], **Losses:** 0-1[4], 0-2[4], 0-3[1], 0-5[1], 1-2[4], 1-4[2], 2-3[5], **Draws:** 0-0[5], 1-1[2], 2-2[3]
Wins: 1-0[3], 2-0[5], 2-1[3], 3-0[1], 3-2[1], 4-2[1], 4-3[1], 5-2[1], 6-0[1], **Losses:** 0-1[2], 0-2[1], 1-2[6], 1-3[1], 2-3[1], **Draws:** 0-0[3], 1-1[5], 2-2[3], 3-3[1]

SOUTHAMPTON - TEN SEASON RECORD



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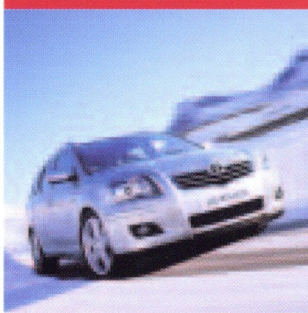
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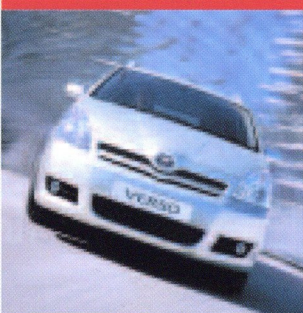
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Football in the

Community

Stuart Smith brings us the latest news
from the Community Department



Good afternoon and welcome to today's important Championship fixture against Southampton. I would like to use today's page to update you on the next set of sessions in our brand new First Kicks project and also the dates of our Bramingham Saturday Soccer School.



- ✓ Football fun for children four to six years old
- ✓ One coach to ten children
- ✓ Emphasis on FUN and ENJOYMENT
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Sessions are at **PLAYFOOTBALL.NET, St Thomas' Road, Stopsley, Luton**
Saturday mornings 10am to 11:30am

Dates as follows

Course 1.

July 2007: 21, 28
August 2007: 4, 11, 18, 25
September 2007: 1, 8, 15, 22

Course 2.

October 2007: 13, 20, 27
November 2007: 3, 10, 17, 24
December 2007: 1, 8, 15

Course 3.

January 2008: 12, 19, 26
February 2008: 2, 9, 16, 23
March 2008: 1, 8, 15

■ Payment for any one course is only by a block booking of £50 payable in advance.

■ Payment for any two courses is £90 paid in advance - SAVE £10

■ Payment for all three courses is £120 paid in advance - SAVE £30

■ If you book and pay for two or more courses you will be issued with a proof of payment pass which you will need to bring to each session

■ Cheques should be made payable to Luton Town Football in the Community

■ All you need to enrol is request a form, which can be collected FROM the Community offices.

Bramingham Saturday Soccer School

- Four terms throughout 2008
- For Children 4 to 11 yrs
- At Bramingham Primary School
- Coaching runs from 10am to 11:30am

The first will run for 10 weeks on the following dates in 2007:

April: 28
May: 5, 12, 19, 26
June: 9, 16, 30
July: 7, 14

The second will run for 10 weeks on the following dates in 2007:

September: 15, 22, 29
October: 13, 20, 27
November: 3, 10, 17, 24

The third will run for 10 weeks on the following dates in 2008:

January: 8, 12, 19, 26
February: 2nd, 9, 16, 23
March: 1, 8, 15

The fourth will run for 10 weeks on the following dates in 2008:

April: 12, 19, 26
May: 3, 10, 17
June: 7, 14, 28
July: 5

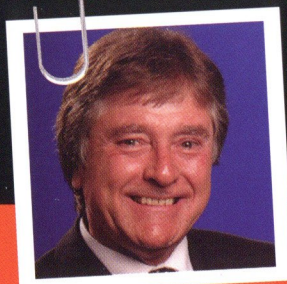
Payment for any one course is: £3.50 per week or £30 for all 10 - SAVE £5

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Payment for any three course is: £3.50 per week or £85 for all 30 - SAVE £20

Payment for all four courses is: £3.50 per week or £105 for all 40 - SAVE £35

To participate in these courses you must complete an application form regardless of whether you have attended previously. All enrolment forms must be returned to the Community Office 24 hours before the first day of attendance, otherwise we cannot guarantee your child's participation on the course. We reserve the right to refuse enrolment to anybody who has not pre registered if we feel that our health and safety responsibilities might be compromised



Commercial news with **Peter Davis**

Peter Davis on the latest news from the Commercial Department

Good afternoon and welcome to all of our commercial partners and executive members to the first home game for our new manager Kevin Blackwell against Southampton. A good point taken against Burnley last Saturday has kept everything in contention and with 18 points still available to the close of the season, we are all extremely confident and positive of the right result being achieved by May 6.

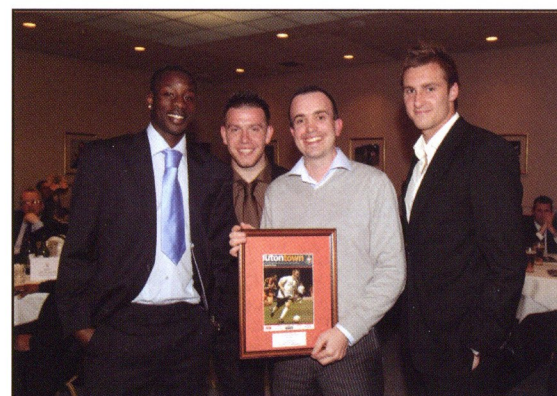
Get behind Kevin and the lads and enjoy the game.

As always thank you for your support,

Peter



Miss Norman, sister of commercial mascots Rob & Joshua being presented to Leon Barnett, Keith Keane and Dean Brill



Associate Sponsors Wickes being presented with their award by the Luton players



VIPs from Wickes in the dugout before the match against Ipswich Town



Commercial Mascots Rob & Joshua Norman receiving their certificates from Leon, Keith and Dean



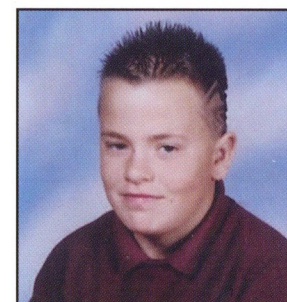
Debenhams General Manager Hedley Marsh, presenting Man of the Match Keith Keane with his trophy

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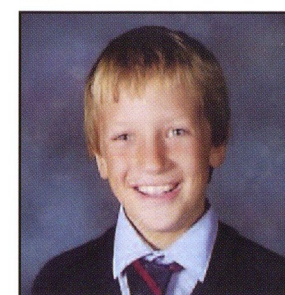
It is with a warm welcome to Kenilworth Road that we say good afternoon to FOX RC&A Sports, who join us as today's match sponsors. FOX RC&A Sports are a wholly-owned subsidiary of the SPORTFIVE group, Europe's leading sports marketing agency. They boast a portfolio of services which include a full range of sports rights business opportunities covering stadium advertising, hospitality, programmes, shirt sponsorships, stadium consultation, plus international TV rights. Football is the primary business focus of SPORTFIVE, with the group marketing the rights of more than 250 clubs, 30 football associations and several international leagues. We are delighted to be in partnership with FOX& RCA Sports as the Luton Town's Official Perimeter advertising contractor. Their sponsorship reflects their similar trading relationships with the Premiership together with the vast majority of the Football League, as well as Rugby League and Union Clubs. We hope that their management and guests enjoy the match and their time spent with us today.

Commercial Mascot:
Callum Parks

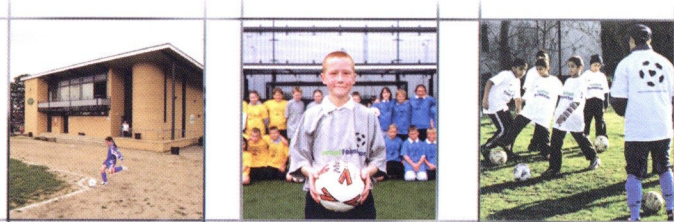


We welcome today as one of our two commercial mascots 12-year-old Callum Parks, who has travelled with his family all the way from Melksham in Wiltshire. Callum is a regular visitor to Kennilworth Road with his Mum and Dad. Attending George Ward School, his hobbies include football and basketball. Callum's favourite Luton players are Sol Davis, who just happens to be his cousin, and Warren Feeney, currently out on loan to Cardiff City. Callum will meet squad members today, as well as being part of the pre-match warm up. Everyone at the Club hopes that the Parks family have a great time with us this afternoon.

Commercial Mascot:
Jonathan Janes



Jonathan Janes is the second of today's mascots, and he has travelled a slightly shorter distance than the Parks family to be with us today, as he lives in Greenfield in Bedfordshire. Jonathan, 10, who attends Bedford School, has a vast number of hobbies to occupy his spare time. These include horse riding, cross country running, cricket, rugby and of course his beloved football. Amhet Brkovic is his favourite Club player, who he will meet today, together with the rest of the squad when he joins them for the pre-match warm up. All of us at the Club hope that Jonathan and his family enjoy a memorable time with us today.



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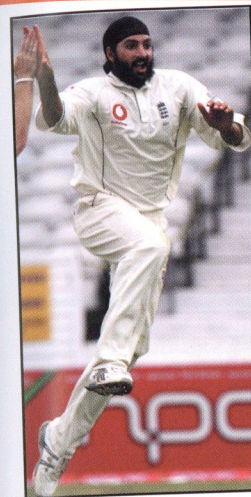
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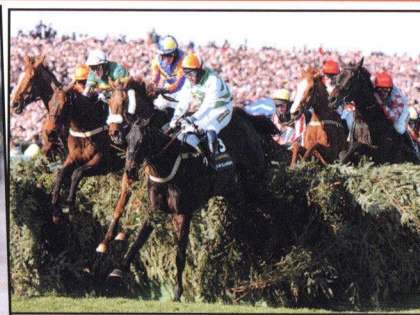


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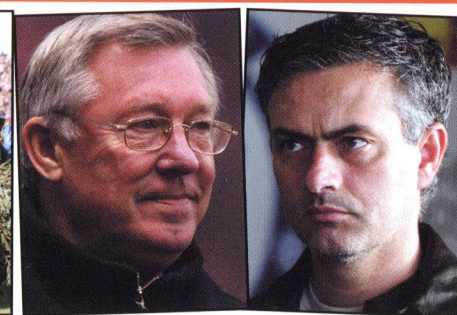
Chris Rivett brings us the latest news from the club's official website, www.lutontown.co.uk



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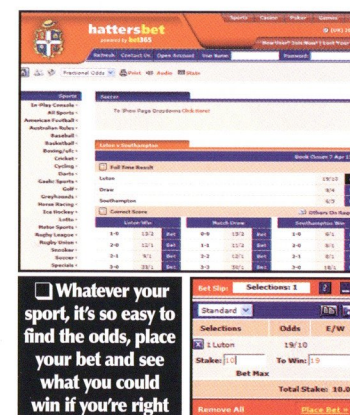
April is a great month for having a flutter. There's the Grand National, the FA Cup Semi-Finals, the Cricket World Cup, the golf Masters, plus more Champions League, UEFA Cup, Premiership and lots, lots more.

And whether you're a seasoned punter or in for a once-a-year £1 each way, there's no better place to go than our very own **Hatters Bet**. You get great odds, plenty of choice. AND your favourite club earns money from every bet you place – money that the High Street bookies would otherwise get.

And if you're a new punter, then we have a fantastic offer for you. Open a **Hatters Bet** account in April you can pick up £100 in free bets. **Hatters Bet** will match your first bet with a free bet up to £25, with another £75 in free bets to come.

There are other promotions on offer throughout the month, if you place a winning correct score bet on a **Hatters Bet** Big Match this month we'll give you a free correct score bet to the same stake on the next **Hatters Bet** Big Match. Details of the weekend's Big Matches are featured regularly on www.lutontown.co.uk.

This is a great month to try your luck. The Grand National is the major race



of the year that captures everyone's interest – and **Hatters Bet** guarantees the best odds by letting you take a price now and paying you the SP if it's bigger. We are also offering money back on all non-runners, and pay out each-way bets to fifth place.

Hatters Bet also offer a great In-Play Service that this month includes Champions League football, FA Cup semi-finals and World Cup cricket. We're also betting live In-Play throughout the Masters from Augusta, where Tiger Woods will be bidding for his

fifth green jacket. Placing a bet couldn't be easier; you can either bet online at www.hattersbet.co.uk or by ringing the **Hatters Bet** hotline on **0800 0323 365**.

If you are betting online, you can log into your account if you already have one, if not, click the button that says: "Click here to join bet365 now" underneath the link to Luton's next game (at the top of the third column on the right). This will take you through the registration stage and get your account up and running.

Then once you have signed into www.hattersbet.co.uk, you will see a list of sports on the left hand side of the **Hatters Bet** homepage. From here you can narrow down the markets to the event you would like to bet on. Once you have found it you can look at all the odds available and place your bet.

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News from

Kenilworth Road

**A round-up of the latest
from around the Club**

Luton's newest Youth

Hatters scouts like to keep tabs on young talent coming through, so they might like to know about Talya Yasmin Underwood.

At only six months, she's already an ace dribbler and wears her Luton shirt with pride.

The youngster from Dunstable has some good pedigree, too, with two Hatters Season Ticket holders in the family - Nan Christine Underwood and Granddad Paul Clark. Clearly one for the future...



□ The future's orange for six-month-old Talya Underwood

Latest from the Ladies

Having performed so consistently well for the past six months Town were entitled to an off day and the performance away to Oxford City was far below the recent standards they have set themselves.

Trailing 1-0 playing into a strong wind Tanya Blacksley equalised with a left foot volley from a corner but any hopes of a comeback were dashed with some poor defending as Oxford twice reacted first to loose balls to take a 3-1 lead. Michelle Byrne chased down an impossible ball in the final minute to leave Nina Hale with a tap in for a late consolation.

The shortest trip in the league to Chesham United saw a far improved performance from the Town as they had much the better of the first half forcing the home

keeper into a number of vital stops including a point blank stop from Micky Taylor when she seemed destined to score.

As often happens United took the lead when an over hit free kick sailed in at the far post. The set-back spurred on the Luton Ladies who continued to play good football and this finally paid dividends with 15 minutes to go.

Defending from a corner Tamzine Neale stormed out down the right and an excellent passing counter attack saw her slide in a perfect near post cross for Kaylee Owen to fire in a one touch finish.

A 1-1 draw was a solid result against an established side at this level. A top half finish is within sight although that will require a huge effort as we play the top three

clubs who are all in contention for promotion.

A League Cup semi final against QPR will be a welcome distraction.

The reserves are still in contention for promotion after completing the league double over Hampton & Richmond with a 4-0 away win.

This weekend brings another cup tie when Town entertain Corinthian Casuals in their quarter final

The youth teams have also been in cup action as the Under-15s and Under-14s reached their semi finals. Under-14s crushed Hemel Hempstead 9-0 with Leah Maddix scoring five, Leanne Lizaitis notching a hat trick and Clare Howe completing the scoring.



FRIDAY
30
MARCH

Norwich sweat on Chadwick injury

Norwich midfielder Luke Chadwick may face a spell on the sidelines with a suspected

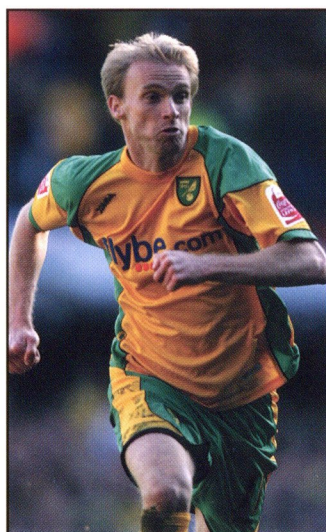
torn thigh muscle.

The former Manchester United winger has only recently returned to the side.

He had a four-month spell on the sidelines with a gashed knee and is set to have a scan to confirm the extent of his latest setback.

Canaries boss Peter Grant said: "He has had a bit of a blow. We think he's torn a muscle in his thigh. We don't know that so we'll get it scanned."

Chadwick arrived at Carrow Road from Stoke City earlier in the season.



ALSO... New Leicester chairman Milan Mandaric believes the club's facilities and fan base mean it will only be a matter of time before they are a Premiership club.

SATURDAY
31
MARCH

Jeffers to end season at Ipswich

Blackburn striker Francis Jeffers has agreed to stay on loan at Ipswich until the end of the season.

The 26-year-old is set to return to training after recovering from a hamstring tear, which had threatened to bring an early end to his loan.

Jeffers told Ipswich's website: "I was disappointed when the hamstring went, but it has cleared up quicker than everyone thought."

"It is great to be back here and I can't wait to get going again."

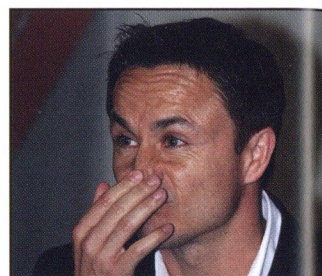
Meanwhile, Darlington have lost the services of on-loan defender Ian Miller after he was recalled by Ipswich Town to cover for injuries.



ALSO... Southampton report half-year losses of £2.5m for the six months ended December 31..... Stoke City midfielder Rob Garrett extends his loan spell with Wrexham until 31 May.

SUNDAY
01
MARCH

Wise faces second charge from FA



Leeds boss Dennis Wise has been charged with misconduct by the Football Association for the second time in just two months.

Wise was ordered from the dugout during their 1-1 draw at Southend on Saturday after venting his fury when a late penalty appeal was turned away.

He has 14 days to respond to the charges that have been brought.

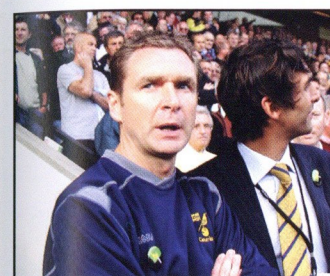
Wise is already due to answer a similar charge relating to Leeds' 3-2 home defeat to West Brom on January 20.

Meanwhile, Wolves' striker Jemal Johnson's loan spell at Leeds has been extended until the end of the season.

ALSO... Coventry City's Ricoh Arena is chosen to host a top class European rugby union match..... Sheffield Wednesday agree to extend the loan spell of Everton's highly-rated goalkeeper Iain Turner for another month..... West Bromwich Albion sign Bury's David Worrall for a £50,000 fee.

MONDAY
02
APRIL

Eagle signs new deal at Norwich



Norwich winger Robert Eagle has signed a new one-year deal at the club.

Manager Peter Grant said he had been pleased with the 20-year-old's progress, telling the Norwich website: "He helped give us a balance."

"His overall performance, whether that be in the reserve team or in training, has been first class. I'm very pleased to give him his just rewards."

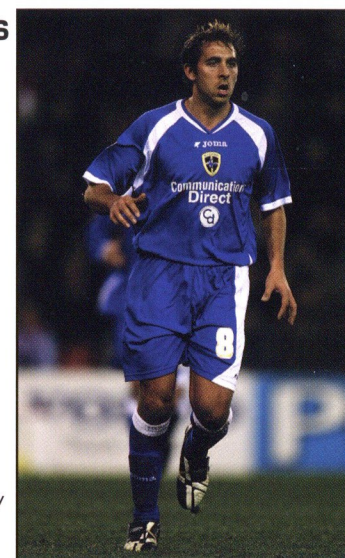
Eagle said: "It's very pleasing. It is another year at Norwich. I am going to try next to get more regular starts."

He added: "I've been in the squad quite a lot this season but only on the fringes. I want to be a bigger part of the team."

ALSO... Southend are dealt a blow in their plans for a new 22,000 stadium after the Government called in their application for a public inquiry..... Brighton extend the loan deal of Crystal Palace goalkeeper Scott Flinders for a further month.

TUESDAY
03
APRIL

Chopra agrees contract extension



Cardiff City striker Michael Chopra has pledged his future to the club by agreeing to sign a contract extension.

The 23-year-old, who has scored 21 Championship goals this season, joined Cardiff from Newcastle United on a three-year deal in June.

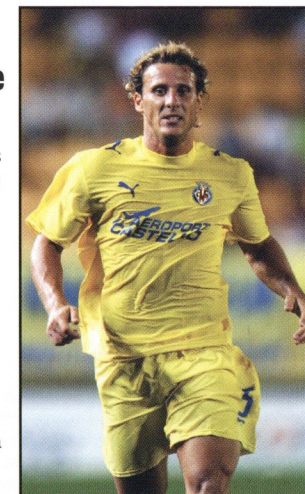
"I'm going to sign an extension because I believe the club is going places," he said. "I'm doing well for myself this season and the team's doing well."

Chopra alarmed Cardiff fans earlier this season by claiming he could leave if the Bluebirds failed to win promotion to the Premiership.

ALSO... Norwich City teenage striker Chris Martin signs a professional deal which will keep him at the club until the summer of 2010..... Cambridge United boss Jimmy Quinn signs Colchester winger Craig Hughes on a month's loan

WEDNESDAY
04
APRIL

Forlan rejects Sunderland move



Villarreal's former Manchester United striker Diego Forlan claims he has turned down an offer from

Sunderland boss Roy Keane to join the Black Cats.

Forlan, 27, played alongside Keane at Old Trafford between 2002 and 2004 before moving to Spain with Villarreal.

"Roy called me to explain his project at Sunderland and offered me the chance to play there as one of the main signings for next season," said Forlan. "I am very honoured he called but I am happy here."

The Uruguay striker, who was top scorer in the Primera Liga in 2004/05, is under contract with Villarreal until 2010.

ALSO... On-loan Derby winger Darren Currie hopes to earn a permanent deal at Pride Park when his Ipswich contract ends this summer..... Barnsley give an extended trial to midfielder Peter Simek as they start to make plans for next season.

SHARP SHOOTERS

Player	Team	Lge	Cup	Ttl
Michael Chopra	Cardiff	21	0	21
Diomansy Kamara	West Brom	19	2	21
Grzegorz Rasiak	Southampton	18	2	20
Jamie Cureton	Colchester	17	1	18
Robert Earnshaw	Norwich	17	0	17
Steve Howard	Derby	16	1	17
Gary McSheffrey	Birmingham	13	3	16
Chris Iwelumo	Colchester	16	0	16
Freddy Eastwood	Southend	11	5	16

WHERE TO SEE GOALS (By Ground)

Ground	Home Team	M	Gls	G/Mt
Hillsborough	Sheff Wed	20	64	3.20
The Hawthorns	West Brom	20	63	3.15
Kenilworth Stadium	Luton	20	63	3.15
The KC Stadium	Hull	20	57	2.85
Portman Road	Ipswich	20	56	2.80
Roots Hall	Southend	20	56	2.80
Layer Road Ground	Colchester	20	56	2.80
Home Park	Plymouth	20	54	2.70
Loftus Road Stadium	QPR	19	51	2.68
Oakwell Stadium	Barnsley	20	52	2.60
Elland Road	Leeds	20	51	2.55
Molineux Stadium	Wolves	20	50	2.50
St Andrews	Birmingham	20	49	2.45
Ricoh Arena	Coventry	20	49	2.45
Carrow Road	Norwich	20	48	2.40
Deepdale	Preston	20	48	2.40
St Marys Stadium	Southampton	20	47	2.35
Pride Park Stadium	Derby	20	47	2.35
The Walkers Stadium	Leicester	19	44	2.32
Selhurst Park	Crystal Pal	20	46	2.30
Turf Moor	Burnley	18	41	2.28
Ninian Park	Cardiff	20	45	2.25
Stadium of Light	Sunderland	20	45	2.25
Britannia Stadium	Stoke	20	42	2.10

TEAM LEADERS

Team with the most..
shots on target 312 Southampton. **shots off target** 276 Southampton. **corners** 298 Plymouth. **hit** **woodwork** 15 Barnsley. **offsides** 158 Leicester.
fouls 642 Hull. **yellow cards** 84 Leeds. **red cards** 8 Cardiff.

PLAYER POWER

Player with the most..
Shots 123 Michael Chopra (Cardiff). **Shots on target** 58 Robert Earnshaw (Norwich). **Shots off target** 67 Michael Chopra (Cardiff). **Assists** 14 Gary McSheffrey (Birmingham). **Crosses** 180 Darren Huckerby (Norwich). **Offsides** 76 Freddy Eastwood (Southend). **Fouls** 129 Steve Howard (Derby). **Free-kicks won** 94 Patrick Kisnorbo (Leicester).



2006/07 SEASON



GOAL COUNTER 1224

RIGHT FOOT 645 goals

52.7%

LEFT FOOT 295 goals

24.1%

HEADERS 251 goals

20.5%

Own goals 31 (2.5%), Other body part 2 (0.2%)

QUICK-FIRE GOALS

From the start of a match
 Diomansy Kamara (West Brom vs Coventry) 0:28

By a substitute after coming on
 Bradley Wright-Phillips (Soton vs B'ham) 0:10

DISCIPLINARY



3.0 cards per match 0.2 cards per match

QUICK-FIRE CARDS

From the start of a match
 Dexter Blackstock (QPR vs Southend) 0:15

By a substitute after coming on
 Andrew Surman (Southampton vs Ipswich) 1:30

SUB TOTALS

Subs used2357

Offsides3183

Corners5251

Shots Off Target5180

BEAT THE TRAFFIC

Total number of goals you would have missed by leaving every match ten minutes early

1 8 1

In the Coca Cola Championship this season there have been 5398 shots on target, goals constitute 22.7% of all shots (doesn't include own goals). The woodwork has come to the rescue of the defending side on 242 occasions (the biggest beneficiaries being Southend 19). There have been 103 penalties awarded this season and of those 88 have been scored (a success rate of 85.4%). Ipswich have been awarded most penalties - 8. Leicester have given most penalties away 8. The team to score the most penalties is Ipswich 7. Wolves missed 3 penalties in the Coca Cola Championship this season.

RESULTS

How many times each result has occurred this season - home sides score shown first

0-0	32
0-1	45
0-2	17
0-3	6
0-4	2
0-5	-
0-6	1
1-0	64
1-1	51
1-2	35
1-3	9
1-4	2
1-5	1
2-0	40
2-1	42
2-2	26
2-3	12
2-4	4
2-5	1
3-0	18
3-1	21
3-2	15
3-3	5
3-4	-
3-5	-
4-0	4
4-1	7
4-2	5
4-3	2
4-4	-
4-5	-
5-0	4
5-1	4
5-2	1
5-3	-
5-4	-
5-5	-

*up to and including 01/04/2007

2006/2007 Appearances

	This Season		International App		Luton Town Career	
	League App	League Gls	Cup Competitions App	Cup Competitions Gls	Nation	Caps Gls
1 Marlon BERESFORD	26	0	5	0		133 0
2 Kevin FOLEY	34(1)	0	3(2)	0		162 5
3 Sol DAVIS	20(3)	0	5	0		183 2
4 Chris COYNE	5(7)	0	4	0		221 15
5 Russell PERRETT	8(2)	1	3	0		109 9
6 Paul UNDERWOOD	0	0	0	0		72 5
7 Carlos EDWARDS	26	6	2(1)	0		74 8
7 Matthew SPRING	8	0	0	0		297 30
8 Steve ROBINSON	33(1)	0	4	0		172 11
9 Bjorn RUNSTROM	7(1)	2	0	0		8 2
9 Rowan VINE	26	12	2(2)	2		111 33
10 Warren FEENEY	15(13)	2	3	2		82 11
11 Dean MORGAN	21(14)	4	4(2)	1		80 11
14 Michael LEARY	0	0	0	0		32 3
15 Stephen O'LEARY	2(1)	0	3(1)	0		34 2
16 Lewis EMANUEL	33(1)	2	2	0		36 2
17 Richard LANGLEY	18(5)	1	4	0		27 1
18 Ahmet BRKOVIC	12(5)	3	4(1)	0		216 38
19 Sam PARKIN	7(1)	1	0	0		7 1
20 Adam BOYD	5(14)	1	4(1)	1		26 2
21 Keith KEANE	13(2)	1	3(1)	0		67 3
22 Danny STEVENS	0	0	0	0		1 0
23 Dean KIELY	11	0	0	0		11 0
23 Besian IDRIZAJ	1	0	0	0		1 0
24 Shaun ROSS	0	0	0	0		0 0
25 Leon BARNETT	35	3	4	0		66 3
26 Markus HEIKKINEN	32	1	0	0		72 3
27 Peter HOLMES	3(2)	0	2	0		127 12
28 David BELL	23(6)	2	5	0		43 2
29 Calvin ANDREW	0(1)	0	0	0		13 1
30 Drew TALBOT	9(1)	3	1	0		11 3
31 Clarke CARLISLE	4(1)	0	0	0		5 0
33 Dean BRILL	3(2)	0	1	0		19 0
34 Zac BARRETT	0	0	0	0		0 0

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

ALL THE GOALS

HOW THEY WENT IN:

SHOTS:.....35 HEADERS:.....11
 PENALTIES:.....3 OWN GOALS:.....3
 FREE-KICKS:.....1 TOTAL:.....53

A GAME OF TWO HALVES

FIRST HALF RECORD:

PLAYED 41 - W 11 - D 18 - L 12 - F 23 - A 27 PTS 51

SECOND HALF RECORD:

PLAYED 41 - W 10 - D 13 - L 18 - F 28 - A 42 PTS 43

OTHER INTERESTING STATS

Luton Town score first goal:.....	15
Opponents score first goal:.....	22
No goals scored:.....	5
Luton Town score first and win:.....	9
Luton Town score first and draw:.....	3
Luton Town score first and lose:.....	3
Luton Town fail to score:.....	13
Opponents score first and win:.....	17
Opponents score first and draw:.....	3
Opponents score first and lose:.....	2
Opponents fail to score:.....	7
Luton goals at the Kenilworth Road End:.....	20
Luton goals at the Oak Road End:.....	12
Opponents goals at the Kenilworth Road End:.....	14
Opponents goals at the Oak Road End:.....	15

* Match to be shown on Sky Sports, CC = Carling Cup

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Coming Next

to Kenilworth Road



Luton Town V Plymouth

Saturday April 14, 2007, Kick-Off 3pm

By Steven Dove

The penultimate home fixture of the season sees Luton take on a Plymouth side who have enjoyed a creditable season.

A place in the quarter-finals of the FA Cup combined with a possible top half finish in the Championship means Argyle boss Ian Holloway has plenty to build on for the new campaign.

There hasn't been much for Argyle fans to cheer about in recent seasons.

However the Club are now looking forward with optimism as Holloway goes about establishing a team with a real chance of challenging for promotion.

Barry Hayles, the former Bristol Rovers and Fulham striker, is likely to be a key part of the Argyle side next season. He has rediscovered his form this year with ten goals this season after struggling to find the net for Millwall in the previous campaign.

Holloway has already gone about strengthening his squad for next season.

The signing of striker Rory Fallon from Swansea will certainly add competition to the Argyle forward line, which also includes Kevin Gallon, who arrived on-loan from Holloway's former club QPR.

Dutch defender Marcel Seip is likely to go down as one of the transfers of the season after he arrived on a free from Heerenveen. Seip has gone on to play a major part in Holloway's team this season and looks to be one for the future.

However, despite Plymouth's challenge fading, Holloway insists that his players still have plenty to play for next season. A 4-0 defeat away to Burnley in midweek led to the Argyle boss reminding his squad that their future was on the line.

"There are some massive decisions to be made involving the whole squad," Holloway said. "The only ones exempt from either the kindness or the wrath of Ian Holloway are those contracted until 2009.

"Everybody else is fighting for their long-term future here and that is exactly how it should be."

Luton's recent record against Plymouth at Kenilworth Road is very encouraging. You have to go all the way back to 1970 to find Argyle's last win in Bedfordshire.

Since then Luton have won three of the previous nine games, including a memorable 3-0 win back in 1997 which saw Tony Thorpe twice on the scoresheet.

With Luton in need of the points, they will be hoping that impressive record continues at the weekend.



Head 2 Head

	Luton	Draw	Plymouth
League	19	20	26
FA Cup	1	0	0
League Cup	0	1	1
Total	20	21	27



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teamsheet



LUTON TOWN

Manager: Kevin Blackwell

Played	Scored		
		MARLON BERESFORD	1
		KEVIN FOLEY	2
		SOL DAVIS	3
		CHRIS COYNE	4
		RUSSELL PERRETT	5
		PAUL UNDERWOOD	6
		MATTHEW SPRING	7
		STEVE ROBINSON	8
		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
		BESIAN IDRIZAJ	23
		SHAUN ROSS	24
		LEON BARNETT	25
		MARKUS HEIKKINEN	26
		PETER HOLMES	27
		DAVID BELL	28
		CALVIN ANDREW	29
		DREW TALBOT	30
		DEAN BRILL	33
		ZAC BARRETT	34

SOUTHAMPTON

Manager: George Burley

Played	Scored		
		1 KELVIN DAVIS	
		2 ALEXANDER OSTLUND	
		3 PELE	
		4 MAREK SAGANOWSKI	
		5 CLAUS LUNDEKVAM	
		6 DARREN POWELL	
		7 RUDI SKACEL	
		8 BRADLEY WRIGHT-PHILLIPS	
		9 GRZEGORZ RASIAK	
		10 JERMAINE WRIGHT	
		11 MICHAEL SVENSSON	
		12 MARIO LICKA	
		14 INIGO IDIAKEZ	
		15 KENWYNE JONES	
		16 MARTIN CRANIE	
		17 DJAMEL BELMADI	
		18 NATHAN DYER	
		19 CHRIS MAKIN	
		21 CHRIS BAIRD	
		22 GARETH BALE	
		23 JOHN VIAFARA	
		24 DANNY GUTHRIE	
		25 MICHAEL POKE	
		26 KEVIN MILLER	
		27 LEON BEST	
		28 BARTOSZ BIALKOWSKI	
		29 ANDREW SURMAN	
		35 DAVID McGOLDRICK	
		36 SIMON GILLETT	
		41 ADAM LALLANA	

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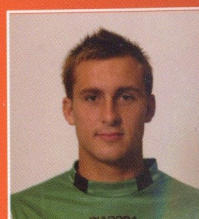
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