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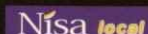
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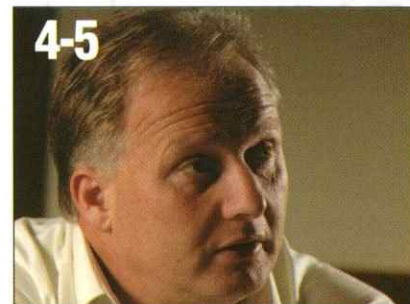
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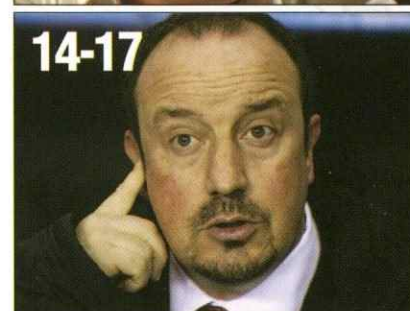
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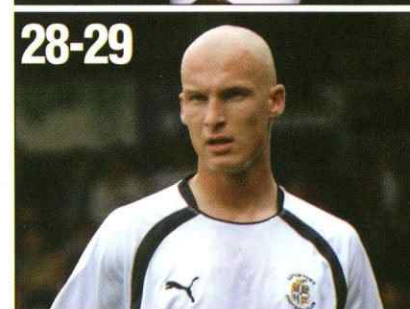
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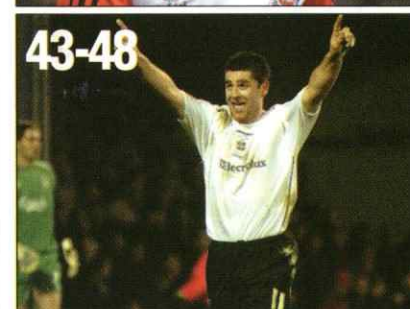
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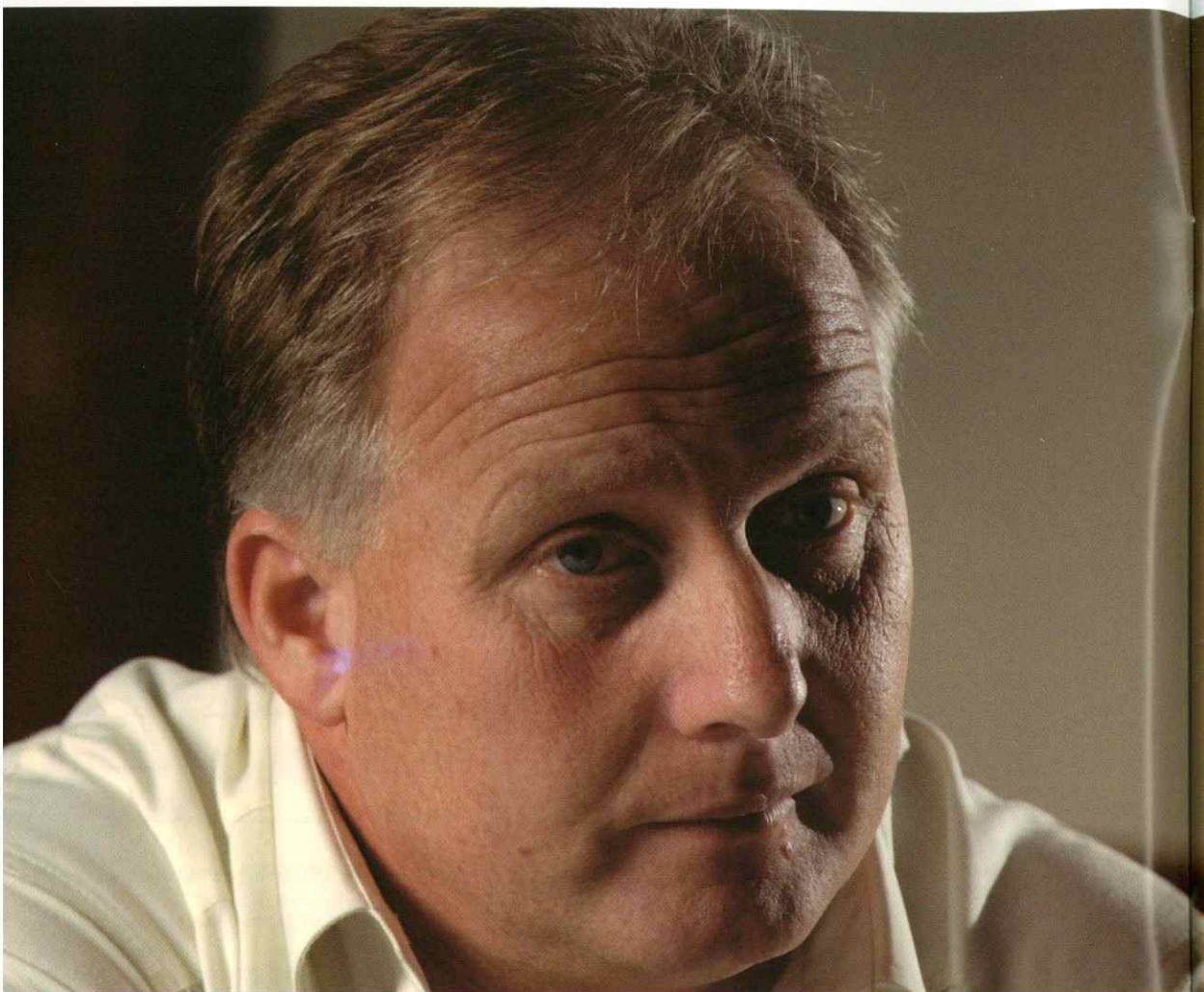
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WELCOME EVERYONE TO KENILWORTH ROAD

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KEVIN



BLACKWELL

GOOD afternoon and welcome back to Kenilworth Road for this eagerly anticipated FA Cup fixture against Liverpool.

I know all Luton supporters have been looking forward to the game ever since the draw was made in December.

For myself and the players, it has been a case of concentrating on one match at a time and it's only since the final whistle of the Yeovil game that we have had the chance to look ahead to this fixture.

The results over the festive period have been near perfect and it was pleasing to finish 2007 on a high at Port Vale, and to continue that form into the New Year with the win over Yeovil Town.

I feel we deserved to win both of those games. The victory over Port Vale was the away win we have been looking for.

Anybody that has seen us play over the past three or four months will know that we have been improving as a team and that has been demonstrated by the fact we have lost just once in the last 12 games.

The players attitude has been fantastic over what is already a difficult period in the season and then to follow up the win at Port Vale with a victory against Yeovil just three days later was full credit to everyone involved.

Some of our approach play against Yeovil was excellent at times, and we really should have scored more than we did.

It was always going to take one good delivery into the area to win it. That

arrived from Belly and Calvin did superbly for his goal.

Full credit to Calvin, his performances over recent weeks are testimony to the hard work and determination he has shown in training.

People are beginning to see we are building a decent team here and we are trying to play football in the right way.

**“ Anybody that has seen us play over the past three or four months will know that we have been improving as a team ”**

Unfortunately January is now upon us. Speculation concerning the sale of certain players has already been rife in the media, and this can be unsettling.

However, I have once again been delighted by the way the squad have knuckled down in training this week and everyone is focused on today's game.

We have already lost Jaroslaw Fojut, Marc Wilson and Anthony Grant. That is part and parcel of what seems to be going on in football.

I do think the football family should help us out. I just wanted to keep the players that I have got. I knew I would have to sell one or two, but to keep punishing us and putting hurdles in our way, I find it despicable.

Monday is the deadline for potential bidders for the Club to make their interests known and everyone is hoping that there is good news just around

the corner.

Finally, I would like to welcome Rafael Benitez, his players and staff to Kenilworth Road this afternoon.

I know many people have ruled them out of the race for the Premiership title this season, but you only have to look at their squad to know that they have what it takes to catch the likes of

Arsenal and Manchester United.

They are a tremendous team, playing some terrific football, but we have shown this season what a good side we are and if we can reproduce the form from some of our earlier cup performances, then we can certainly make it difficult for them this afternoon.

Enjoy the game

Kevin





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## THE CAPTAIN

It's been a near perfect festive season for us having picked up ten points from a possible 12.

The results, particularly the victories against Yeovil and Port Vale, have again shown the spirit within the dressing room.

I felt we played some terrific football against Yeovil. We probably should have won by more, but we always looked firmly in control.

Calvin Andrew took his goal particularly well and he is quickly becoming a match-winner and an important squad member.

He has shown what a good player he has become and it's full credit to him that he has taken his recent opportunities with both hands.

January has obviously seen a lot of speculation concerning the future of certain players amongst the squad.

Speculation can be unsettling, but as a team we can take it as a positive that the football we are playing is being noticed by other people within the game.

The fact that we have lost just once in the last 12 games is an indication that everyone is not letting the speculation distract them from winning football matches at this Club.

It's been a difficult period and full credit has got to go to everyone behind the scenes.

Much has been made about the players and wages, but it's also about the work of the staff in the background, which often goes unnoticed and they have also been plugging away in difficult circumstances.

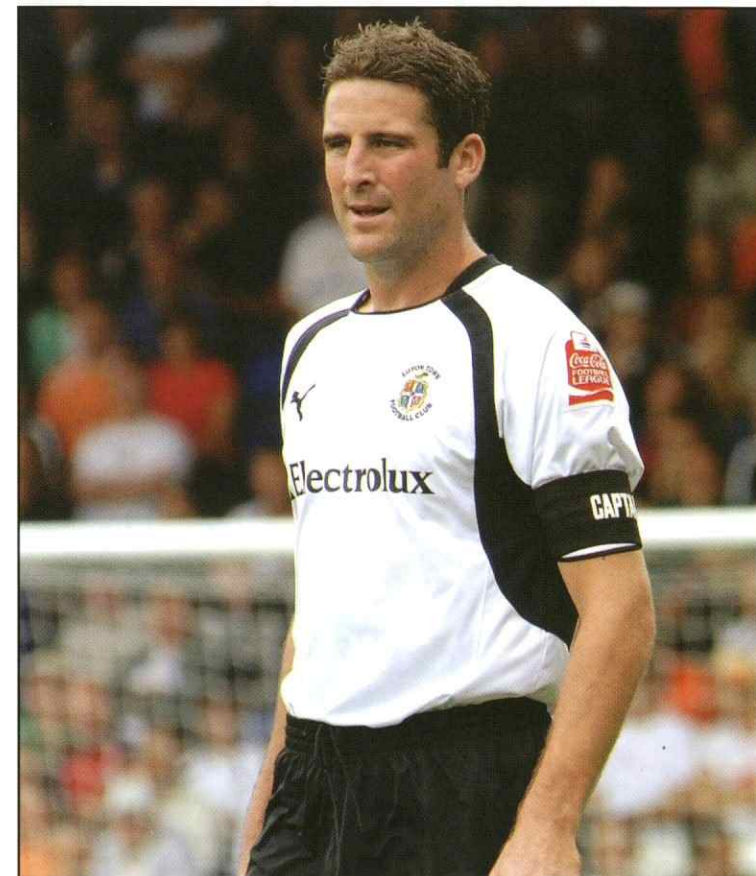
Everyone at Luton Town Football Club is working hard to take us forward and your support continues to be vital.

Monday is the deadline for potential bidders for the Club to make their interests known. Hopefully a new owner can be found and lift us from the shadow that we currently find ourselves in.

This Club deserves to be back to where it belongs and I hope that good news is waiting just around the corner.

I know today's match is one that a lot of

## CHRIS COYNE



**Calvin Andrew took his goal particularly well and he is quickly becoming a match-winner for us**

Luton fans have been look forward to and it will be nice to get away from league action for a short while.

This fixture, two-years ago, produced a fantastic game at Kenilworth Road. We have already been involved in some classic Cup fixtures this season and if we can reproduce any of the performances from our games against either Charlton, Sunderland or Everton, then this fixture could go down in the history books.

I believe Liverpool have a stronger team this time around. I have watched a number of their games on TV this season and

they have been breathtaking at times.

It will be a tall order for us to get a result, but with the spirit that has been amongst the squad in recent weeks we will not go down without a fight.

Finally, I wish Jaroslav Fojut all the best for the future. He was a popular figure amongst the squad and hopefully we will see him back at Kenilworth Road soon.

Enjoy the game and let's hear you in full voice this afternoon

Coyne



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CLUB NEWS

JACK SAPSWORTH

## Vice President honoured with MBE

THERE was a nice surprise for one of Luton's Vice Presidents recently when Jack Sapsworth was among those on the New Year's Honours List.

Jack, 66, was made an MBE for his hard work raising funds for various causes in and around Luton.

"I feel privileged, humbled and honoured to receive such a prestigious award - it was a bit overwhelming," he said.

"I accept it on behalf of everybody who has supported me here in Luton over the years - it's just a wonderful honour."

Jack, who runs a glazing and decorating business in Marsh Road and has continued to sponsor matches at Kenilworth Road, moved to Luton from Scotland in search of work when he was only 16.

In the following 50 years he learnt the trade while working for the council and made himself an integral part of the town's business, charity and social landscape.

As a member of Luton Rotary Club, which he joined in 1981, he was able to really push forward with his fundraising passion.

"I thought that it gave me the opportunity to become involved in local charity work in Luton," Jack continued.

"My first one was Signpost for the homeless."

Jack was chairman of Signpost for 11 years and oversaw the Dunstable Road organisation as it expanded from one office to five homeless hostels in Luton and he also helped with the opening of the Pathways emergency access unit for overnight

stays.

In 1989, he became involved with the Luton and South Beds Hospice, now the Pasque Charity and Keech Cottage, and helped set up the trading company which runs the nine Pasque shops in and around Luton.

Even now, Jack, who has won a number of awards over the years for his good deeds, is chairman of the community fundraising committee within the hospice - soon to reach the £2 million mark in money raised.

Jack added: "I've been actively involved in charities and with the organisations I'm with, and I feel very strongly about them.

"I'm just really humbled and will continue to support them."

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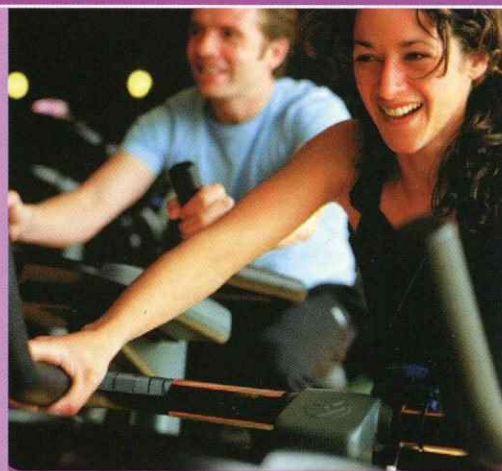


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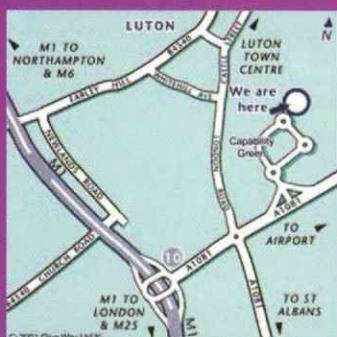
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CLUB NEWS

## Vote for your favourite Luton goal in 2007



GET VOTING...Paul Furlong celebrates one of his two goals against Sunderland this season - did he score the best goal for Luton in 2007?

The Football League are pleased to announce that there will once again be a Mitre Goal of the Year category at the 2008 Football League Awards incorporating FourFourTwo's Top 50 Football League Players.

The Football League are asking clubs to nominate one goal from any Football League competition in the 2007 calendar year, to include goals scored in The Carling Cup, The Coca-Cola Football League and The Johnstone's Paint Trophy.

We want you to help us decide our club nomination by emailing

[webadmin@lutontown.co.uk](mailto:webadmin@lutontown.co.uk) with your suggestions. The goal that receives the most nominations by supporters will be put forward as Luton Town's entry.

The entries will then be shortlisted from the 72 club nominations to five goals overall, and the winner will be decided at the Awards ceremony at the London Hilton on 2nd March.

Closing date for votes is Monday 14th January 2008.

To find out more about The Football League Awards please visit

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# FANTASY FOOTBALL

## EDWARDS LEADS



LAST PLACE... John Carver sinks to the bottom

## CARVER HITS ROCK BOTTOM



LOSING OUT... Poor selection choices come back to haunt John Carver's Geordie Boys

With his two strikers, Michael Owen and Craig Bellamy only picking up eight points between them so far this season it's no surprise John Carver has slowly slid down the table to bottom place. Leighton Baines, Morten Gamst Pedersen and Garry Speed have failed to collect points for the Geordie Boys after falling out of favour with their respective managers while Jonathan Woodgate has lost the team points. However Carver will be happy with his selection of Jose Reina, Frank Lampard and Cristiano Ronaldo, as without this trio he would have slipped to bottom place a long time ago.

At the other end of the table Dave Edwards has finally taken over the lead from Don Hutchison. After biting at Don's ankles for weeks, Edwards cleared the top with three points to spare with help from goals by Arsenal striker Emmanuel Adebayor and Manchester City's Elano.

However, despite ten of the teams containing Liverpool players, it is unlikely they will be concerned about losing points if they put the ball past Jose Reina or prevent Steven Gerrard and Fernando Torres from scoring.

	Manager	Goals	Assists	Pts	7	(8)	Chris Coyne	21	12	142
1	(2) <b>Dave Edwards</b> (Welsh Wizards)	25	25	168			(Coyne's XI)			
2	(3) <b>Chris Cummins</b> (Commo's 11)	35	20	165	8	(7) <b>Drew Talbot</b> (Northern Monkey)	21	21	131	
3	(1) <b>Don Hutchison</b> (Max and Daddy)	28	24	164	9	(10) <b>Chris Perry</b> (Pezzers Players)	27	12	118	
4	(4) <b>Richard Jackson</b> (Alfies Army)	20	17	158	10	(9) <b>Paul McVeigh</b> (Bring Back Bring Joe)	16	16	113	
5	(5) <b>Darren Currie</b> (Ruby's)	28	17	156	11	(11) <b>Stewart Bannister</b> (Harey + Luca XI)	14	18	94	
6	(6) <b>Alan Goodall</b> (Two Shoes)	24	33	148	12	(11) <b>John Carver</b> (Geordie Boys)	16	11	87	
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## The Liverpool Story

### Beginnings: 1882

Liverpool have played at Anfield since they were founded in 1892. In 1891, John Houlding, the leaseholder of Anfield stadium, purchased the ground outright and proposed increasing the rent from £100 to £250 per year. Everton, who had played at Anfield for seven years, refused to meet his demands and moved to Goodison Park. Liverpool FC were founded by Houlding on 15 March 1892 to play in his vacated Anfield. The original name was to be Everton FC and Athletic Grounds, Ltd (or Everton Athletic for short), but was changed to Liverpool FC when The Football Association refused to recognise the team as Everton.

### Top Player: Dalglish



Liverpool supporters had reservations about Kenny Dalglish's ability to replace Kevin Keegan, who had moved to Hamburg. But they did not need to worry as Dalglish quickly settled in at his new club, taking on Keegan's famous number seven shirt with great honour. At the end of his first season, Dalglish had

played 62 times scoring 31 goals, including the winning goal in the 1978 European Cup final at Wembley against Belgian side Bruges. He went on to become arguably the most influential member of the most successful club team in English football history, winning further League Championships and European Cups in a period stretching to the late-1980s.

### Top Manager: Shankly

Bill Shankly was one of Britain's most successful and respected football managers of his time and is probably responsible for making Liverpool the huge footballing force they are today. He became the manager of Liverpool in December 1959, taking over a club in the bottom of the old Second Division, with a crumbling stadium and poor quality playing staff. But Shankly turned Liverpool's fortunes around and after they were promoted from the old Second Division in 1961-62, he went on to win the First Division title two years later, an achievement he matched on three more occasions, as well as winning the FA Cup and UEFA Cup.

### Top Game:

**May 25, 2005, Liverpool 3 - 3 AC Milan (Liverpool win 3-2 on penalties), Champions League Final, Istanbul**

This is considered by many to be one of the greatest ever games of football. Liverpool won the match in a penalty shootout after being 3-0 down at half-time to level the score at 3-3 within the first 15 minutes of the second-half. With no goals being scored in 30 minutes of extra time, Liverpool won the shootout 3-2 to secure Liverpool's fifth success in the European Cup and, as a result, they were given the UEFA Badge of Honour, which appears on the left arm of the European kits.

# WELCOME TO LIVERPOOL

Luton and Liverpool have produced some classic matches in the past.

When this FA Cup fixture was pulled out of the hat in Soho Square recently, supporters instantly reflected on Liverpool's 5-3 win here two-years ago.

And with good reason as well, because it probably goes down as one of the best FA Cup matches to be played at Kenilworth Road.

It is simply a match that nobody will forget in a hurry. The thrilling Third Round contest at Kenilworth Road is still replayed on television screens today and that is likely to continue for years to come.

It all started in spectacular style with Steven Gerrard's stunning strike after 16 minutes, but that was only a taste of what was to come in a pulsating match that had armchair supporters on the edge of their seats.

After Luton went 2-1 ahead, Marlon Beresford saved a Djibril Cisse penalty, before Kevin Nicholls struck home a spot kick as the Hatters looked set to record one of the biggest shocks in the FA Cup.

But even Hatters fans couldn't help but applaud a Liverpool fight back as Xavi Alonso scored a memorable goal from the halfway line, that capped off a pulsating evening of football.

However a flick through the history

books shows more memorable games.

Luton fans will recall Mike Newell, a Liverpool fan, notching an unforgettable hat-trick against Liverpool in October 1986.

Some of Luton's more senior supporters may even remember a six goal thriller between the two sides in 1982 when the Merseyside outfit scored against three Hatters' goalkeepers during a league fixture at Anfield.

**"THIS FIXTURE HAS THE MAKINGS OF ANOTHER POTENTIAL ALL-TIME CLASSIC, WHICH IS SURE TO DRAW ANOTHER HUGE TELEVISION AUDIENCE"**

There was also the mammoth 1987 FA Cup Third Round tie when, at the third time of asking, Luton grabbed an impressive 3-0.

And Liverpool fans won't forget a 1983

encounter at Anfield when Ian Rush displayed some deadly finishing in front of goal, scoring five goals in a 6-0 win.

Liverpool are likely to field a relatively strong line-up this afternoon, as they go in search for their eighth FA Cup trophy.

It might be fair to say however that by their own standards Liverpool have somewhat had an inconsistent season and are currently off the pace on the leaders for the Premiership title.

They also found it tough coming out of the opening stages of the Champions League, failing to win their



opening three games in the group.

And after going out of the Carling Cup less than a month ago, you can bet that boss Rafael Benitez will view this competition as vital to their season.

The Hatters will have to find some way to keep Fernando Torres quiet. The Spaniard has become an instant favourite at Anfield, scoring 15 goals in 23 games (before Tuesday's game with Wigan).

And with strikers Dirk Kuyt, Peter Crouch and Andrei Voronin in the Liverpool squad, Benitez certainly has plenty of options should he decide to rest key players.

Liverpool will also have plenty of new face in their squad. Over the summer, Benitez splashed out over £11 million on Ryan Babel, taking

him away from Ajax, and secured the services of West Ham's Yossi Benayoun.

But Benitez isn't finished strengthening his squad and wants to add more new faces during the January transfer window.

Speaking after their recent fixture at Derby, Benitez said: "We have some players, have some targets and we will try to sign the players we need," he said.

"Maybe we will bring in one, maybe two, if everyone is fit you never know. We are working hard and are very close."

This fixture has the makings of another potential all-time classic, which is sure to draw another huge television audience.

## Head 2 Head

	Luton	Draw	Liverpool
League	6	9	13
FA Cup	1	2	3
Other	0	1	1
<b>Total</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>17</b>

**Last meeting:** Jan 7, 2006: FA Cup Third Round  
Luton Town 3 - 5 Liverpool.

**Last season:** Liverpool finished third in the Premiership last season, a massive 15 points behind Chelsea in second. However, they did reach the Champions League Final, losing 2-1 to AC Milan.



## The Fan's View

**ROBERT BRUCE**  
Liverpool supporter

### How has this season gone?

I'm not sure how many Liverpool fans would sum up the season so far. I do think we have one of our best squads for several seasons so I really want to push on in the Premiership this season. We finished way off the pace last season, behind Chelsea and Manchester United, so we need to close the gap this time around. I think we are playing some terrific football and if Fernando Torres keeps his terrific form going this season then I think we will win some silverware this season.

### What are Liverpool's aims this season?

It has to be the Premiership title. I think for all Liverpool supporters that is the trophy we want. It has been too long for Liverpool without a League Championship, and this is our best shot for some considerable time. Everyone at Liverpool is fully behind Rafael Benitez, but I do think there are certain areas he needs to strength during this January transfer window.

### Who is your key signing?

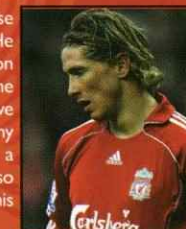


Fernando Torres is obviously the big success at Liverpool, but watch out for Ryan Babel, who I think will have a massive future at Liverpool. We brought him from Ajax and although I'm not sure we have seen the best of him so far, he is exciting and quick on the ball. I have a friend who is

an Ajax supporter and he said he was one of the best youngsters he has seen for a few years.

### Who will be your star players?

I'm sure it won't surprise many when I say Torres. He has been brilliant this season and a joy to watch. He is one of the best strikers I have seen at Anfield for many years. He has everything a striker could want and is so deadly with the ball at his feet.



### Who will win the FA Cup?

I'm sure it will be one of Arsenal, Manchester United, Chelsea or ourselves. But I think there are a lot of Premiership clubs that could surprise such as Manchester City and Portsmouth. I suppose you have to have a bit of luck with the draw.

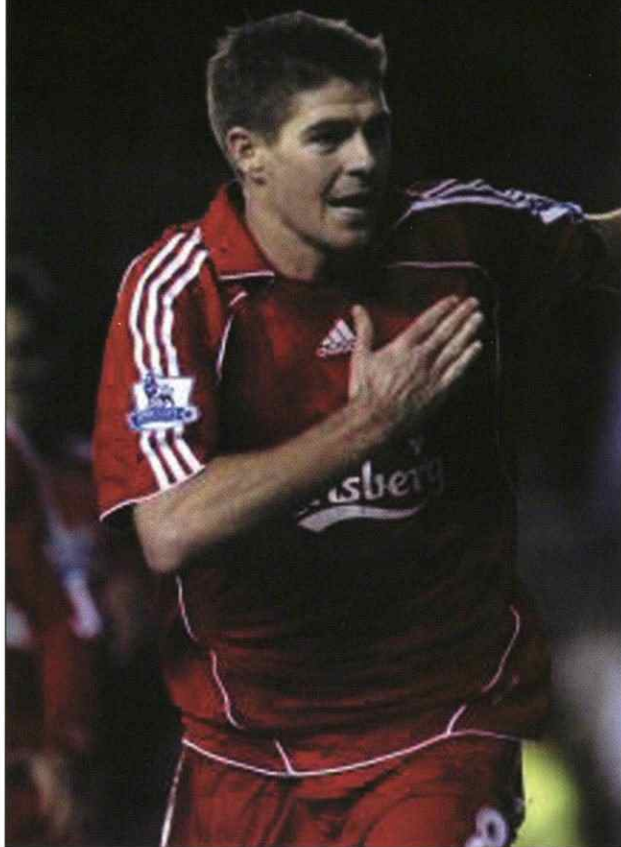




# The Captain

## Steven 8 Gerrard

Liverpool skipper Steven Gerrard first caught the eye of Liverpool scouts playing for Whiston Juniors aged nine. Eight years later, after a period as a trainee, he signed his first professional contract. He has become one of Liverpool's much loved players, and is known for his long-range shots and defence-splitting passes. Throughout his career he has won the PFA Young Player of the Year, PFA Player of the Year, European Midfielder of the Year, Premier League Most Valuable Player (twice), and UEFA Most Valuable Player. He has also been awarded the MBE for his outstanding contributions in both the 2005 UEFA Champions League Final and the 2006 FA Cup Final in which he greatly inspired his team's comeback. He has been nominated three times for the FIFA Player of the Year, in 2005, 2006 and 2007.



## Goalkeepers

### Jose Manuel Reina

Started his career with Barcelona B, before moving on to play for the senior side for four years. Was transferred to Villarreal, where he became a popular figure, making over 100 appearances in four seasons. He has won the last two Barclays English Premier League Gold Glove awards.

### Charles Itandje

French goalkeeper who was brought by boss Rafael Benitez as back-up for number one Pepe Reina. Was signed by Liverpool from RC Lens and has become a consistent member of the France Under-21 set-up.

## Defenders

### Jamie Carragher

One of the longest-serving players of the club, Jamie Carragher has made over 400 first team appearances for Liverpool, more than any other player in the current Liverpool squad and only the 24th Liverpool player in the Club's history to do so.

He is now settled in the heart of the defence under Rafael Benitez. He retired from international football at the age of 29 with 34 caps, despite not having started an England international at centre-back.



### Sami Hyypia

Finnish international who started his career with Pallo-Peikot and KuMu, before joining Veikkausliiga club MyPa for the 1992 season. He won the Finnish Cup with MyPa in 1992 and 1995. He then joined Dutch club Willem II, before signing for Liverpool in 1999, where he was a vital member of Liverpool's historic cup treble: the Worthington Cup, FA Cup and UEFA Cup.

### John Arne Riise

Is renowned for the shooting power and accuracy of his favoured left foot, Riise arrived at Liverpool from Monaco in 2001. The defender is a Norwegian international, making over 60 appearances for his country.

### Steve Finnan

Began his career at non-league Welling, turning professional with Birmingham City in 1995, but, after only a handful of appearances, he was soon on his way to Notts County, initially on loan, then permanently. Moved to Fulham and became a popular figure at the Club, before signing for Liverpool in 2003.

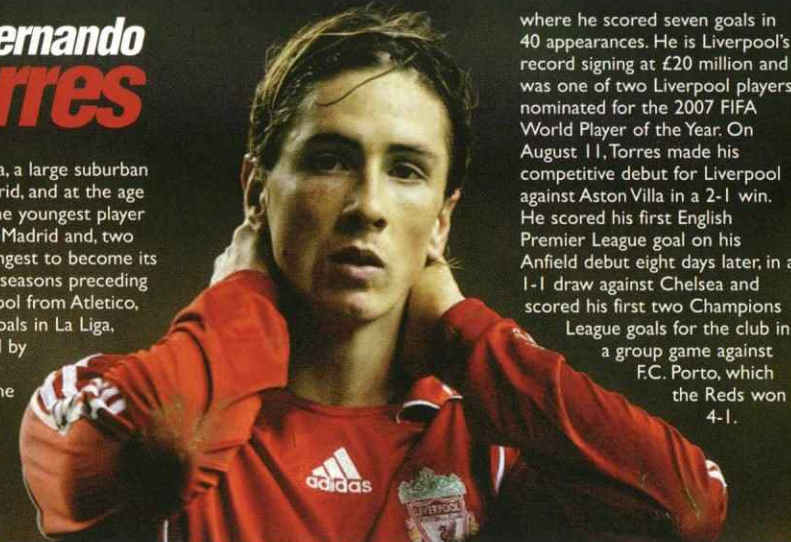
### Fabio Aurelio

Brazilian defender, who often plays at left-back. He became the first Brazilian to play for Liverpool, coming on as a substitute during the Reds' 2-1 win over Chelsea in the 2006 Community Shield.

# Top Scorer

## Fernando 10 Torres

Born in Fuenlabrada, a large suburban town south of Madrid, and at the age of 17, he became the youngest player to play for Atletico Madrid and, two years later, the youngest to become its captain. In the five seasons preceding his move to Liverpool from Atletico, Torres scored 75 goals in La Liga, a feat only bettered by Samuel Eto'o and David Villa during the same period. Prior to that, Torres also played two seasons in the Spanish second division.



where he scored seven goals in 40 appearances. He is Liverpool's record signing at £20 million and was one of two Liverpool players nominated for the 2007 FIFA World Player of the Year. On August 11, Torres made his competitive debut for Liverpool against Aston Villa in a 2-1 win. He scored his first English Premier League goal on his Anfield debut eight days later, in a 1-1 draw against Chelsea and scored his first two Champions League goals for the club in a group game against F.C. Porto, which the Reds won 4-1.

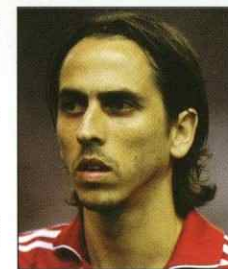
## Midfielders

### Yossi Benayoun

Signed from West Ham during the summer, where he had spent two years. Began his career in his native Israel, before going on to play for Racing Santander in Spain.

### Harry Kewell

Australian footballer, who is an exceptional dribbler on the wing and can also play in attack. Against Croatia he scored the crucial goal to get Australia through to the knockout stages



of the 2006 World Cup. He first burst onto the scenes in England with Leeds United, where he played a pivotal role in helping them reach the semi-final of the UEFA Champions League.

### Xabi Alonso

Signed by Rafael Benitez from Real Sociedad for a fee of £10.5m. He played for Spain at Euro 2004 and the 2006 World Cup. Will be remembered by Luton fans for scoring two goals in their 5-3 win at Kenilworth Road, including the strike from just inside the Liverpool half.

### Javier Mascherano

Argentine midfielder who has played for West Ham as well as South American clubs River Plate and Corinthians

### Ryan Babel

Liverpool spent over £11 million on this Dutch midfielder, bringing him to Anfield from Ajax. Has represented his country at Under-21 and senior level.

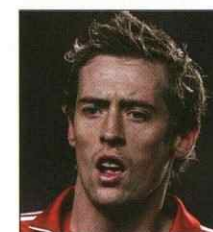


## Strikers

### Andriy Voronin

Ukrainian striker whose previous clubs include Chornomorets Odessa, Borussia Monchengladbach, Mainz, Koln and Bayer 04 Leverkusen. In the 2002-03 season, Voronin became top goalscorer in the 2nd Bundesliga. At international level he has frequently been played in midfield.

### Peter Crouch



England centre-forward who joined the Reds after the 2005 Champions League triumph in Istanbul. His professional career began seven years earlier at Tottenham Hotspur, though he never broke into the first team at White Hart Lane. In July 2000, he was sold to Queens Park Rangers. He then moved to Portsmouth in July 2001, and the move was a success. He netted 18

times in only 37 starts for Pompey, prompting yet another transfer - this time to Premiership side Aston Villa, who'd just appointed Graham Taylor as manager. He was loaned to Norwich City from September to December 2003, during which he scored four goals in 15 games. In July 2004 he joined Southampton for a fee of about £2million. He made his Saints debut in a 2-0 defeat to former club Villa. Crouch scored 16 goals in 33 appearances on the south coast, including one against Rafa's Reds, prompting Sven Goran Eriksson to bring him into the England squad for a tour of the United States. Despite his prolificacy, Southampton were relegated in 2004-05, meaning yet another transfer was on the cards and joined Liverpool for £7 million.

### Dirk Kuyt

Arrived on Merseyside in the summer of 2006 for a fee of around £10million from Feyenoord. He signed his first pro contract with Eredivisie team FC Utrecht before moving on to Feyenoord in the summer of 2003 as a replacement for the out-going Pierre Van Hooijdonk. Gained international recognition with Holland and played in the 2006 World Cup in Germany. He has previously been named as Dutch Player of the Year. Off the pitch, Kuyt carries out extensive charity work. Most notably, he and his wife Gertrude set up the Dirk Kuyt Foundation to help disadvantaged children in his homeland and the Third World. One of the ways the foundation raises money is by selling DK-branded clothes.



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ROGER WASH tells the stories behind some special moments in Hatters history

FLASHBACK



## Hatters win through in marathon contest

Mick Harford bangs in the clinching goal at the end of an epic three match encounter against Liverpool twenty-one years ago.

When the Town were drawn at home to Liverpool in the FA Cup Third Round in January 1987 it was regarded a clash of the football giants, with both sides in the top five in the old Division One.

The BBC television cameras were present to see the Kenilworth Road artificial surface with a light dusting of snow on a cold day and in a four game the Reds made it obvious they were happy to take the tie back to Anfield.

Mindful of their 1-4 trouncing at Kenilworth Road in a League game earlier in the campaign, Liverpool were not about to take any chances although Mike Newell and Mick Harford gave the Reds central defensive partnership of Alan Hansen and Gary Gillespie a hard time.

The game finished scoreless but on the day of the replay heavy snow in the south prevented the Town party from

Score: Luton 3-0 Liverpool

Date: Wednesday January 28, 1987

Place: Kenilworth Road

reaching Anfield which gave the national press many column inches ranging from Liverpool demanding that the Town be thrown out of the competition to a discussion as to the number of pies that had gone to waste!

When the game eventually took place an aggrieved Liverpool side threw the proverbial kitchen sink at the Luton defence but Mal Donaghy and Steve Foster were imperious and had the game of their lives.

The Reds, though should have won the game given their dominance but with Ian Rush missing an open goal and Jan Molby hitting a post they probably knew that it was not going to be their night.

No penalty contests in those days after extra-time with the venue for the second replay being decided by a toss of

a coin which was won by the Town who now had to prepare for a game at Kenilworth Road two days later.

A full house greeted the two sides given that the tie had now truly caught the imagination of the public and this time the Hatters felt they were in the ascendancy having been given another chance.

After 34 minutes came the first goal of the tie when Brian Stein hit home a 20 yard free-kick and disproving, at the same time, the theory that you could not bend the ball on the artificial surface.

The Town had to wait until the 78th minute to make the game safe when Molby fouled Stein in the area leaving Harford to make no mistake from the spot.

Newell made it three against his boyhood heroes with a cracking drive with nine minutes to go to put the icing on the cake on a memorable night.





### Hatters Line-Up

4-4-2



Goals: Fojut (3), Spring (90+2)

Substitutes:

Furlong (86 Andrew)

McVeigh (88 Currie)

Hutchison (89 Bell)

Not used: O'Leary, Emanuel

Goodall

None

### Port Vale Line-Up

4-4-2



Goals: Willock (45+1)

Substitutes:

Rodgers (63 Salmon)

P Edwards (78 Rocastle)

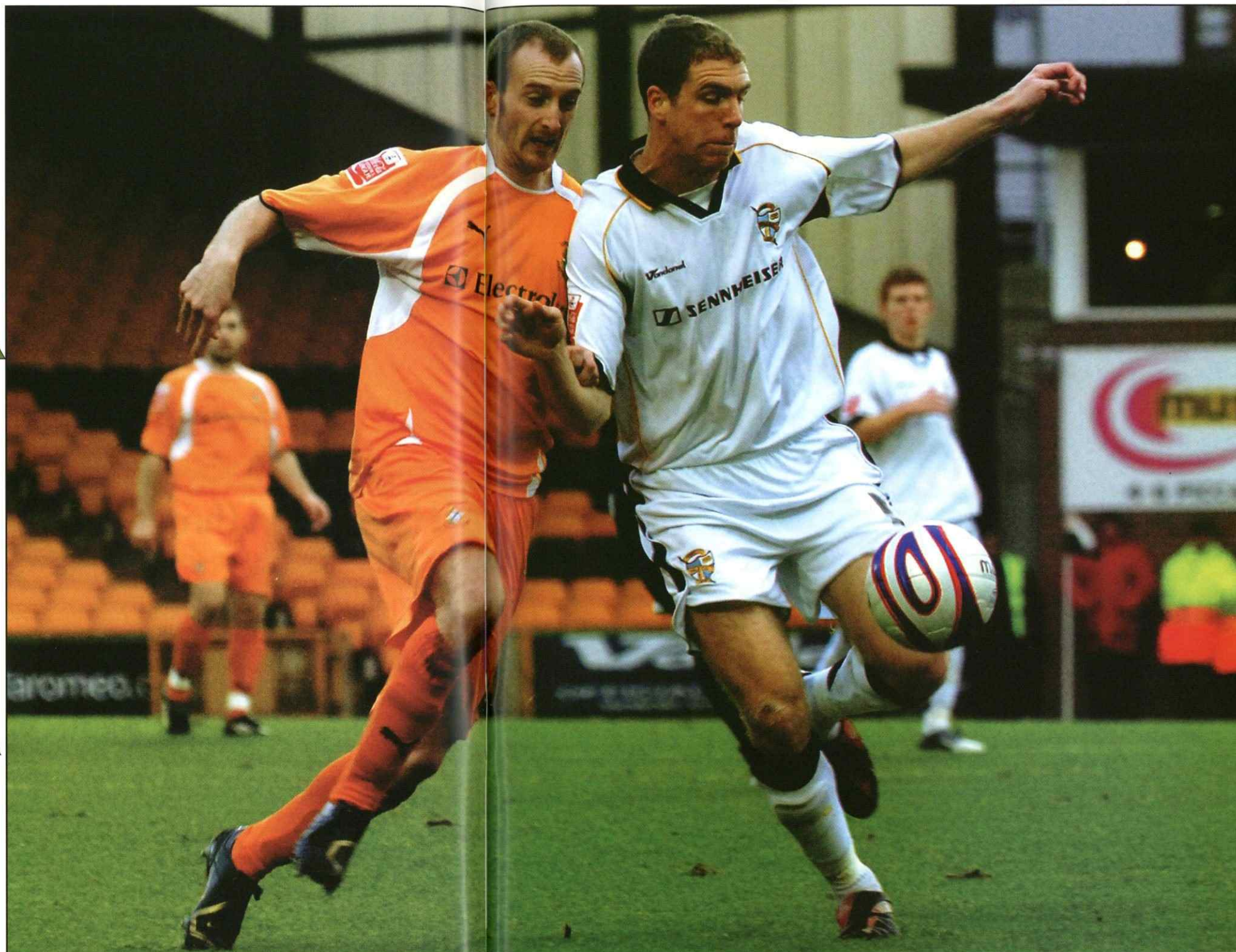
Not used: Martin, O'Loughlin, Richards

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None

REFEREE: Rob Shoebridge (Derbyshire)

# PORT VALE 1 LUTON 2



COCA-COLA LEAGUE ONE SATURDAY DECEMBER 29, 2007 VALE PARK ATT: 4,224 **TUSSELE...** Drew Talbot looks to power past the Port Vale defence as the Hatters mount an attack at Vale Park





GOAL...Luton make the perfect start as Jaroslav Fojut sweeps home a shot inside the third minute to give Luton the lead at Vale Park

## MANAGER'S VIEW



"It's the away win we have been looking for in a while. I think anybody that has seen us over the last six to eight weeks will know that we have been getting better as a team. It's one defeat in 11 games now and had it not been for the ten point deduction, we would be nicely placed in the table. It was a fantastic attitude from the players. I felt at half-time we were thoroughly in control. I was disappointed with the goal we conceded and in the second-half we had to scrape and get back on top. Overall I felt we shaded the game, in what was played in atrocious weather conditions."

Kevin Blackwell

The long wait for an away win is finally over as Matthew Spring scored a dramatic 35-yard free-kick late in the game to seal an amazing victory against Port Vale.

The Hatters midfielder blasted a low free-kick in stoppage time to give Luton their first League away win of the season.

Luton had made the perfect start when Jaroslav Fojut struck an early goal, but that was cancelled out on the stroke of half-time.

Spring's effort sent over 500 Luton fans joyous as his shot crept into the corner of the net, beyond the reach of Port Vale goalkeeper Joe Anyon.

Only three minutes had passed when Luton made the perfect start to the game by breaking the deadlock.

Darren Currie whipped over a free-kick from the right which Port Vale failed to clear. After the ball bobbed in the penalty area, Fojut wrapped his right boot over the ball and blasted an unstoppable shot beyond the reach of Vale goalkeeper.

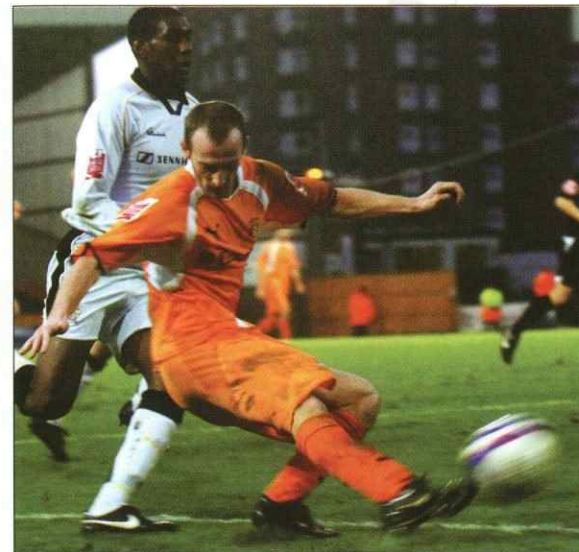
It looked as if Luton would take a half-time advantage but in the first minute of stoppage time, a hopeful ball over the top of the Hatters defence released Callum Willock who was sent clear and fired on the half volley to grab an equaliser.

Half chances continued to come for both sides, but the weather conditions were certainly playing their part in ruining the game.

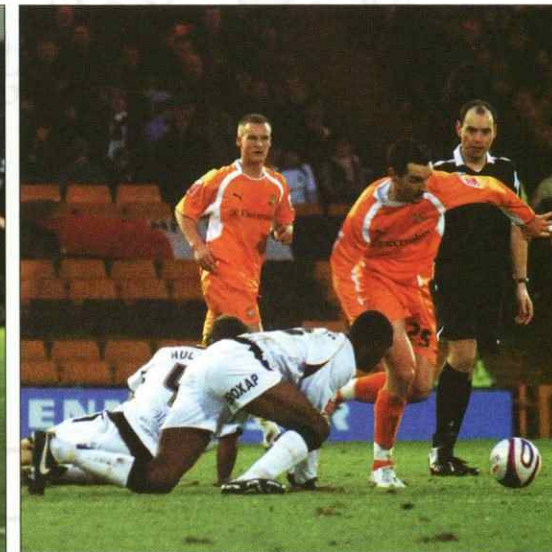
But with two minutes of stoppage time remaining, Luton grabbed a dramatic winner as Spring drilled a low 35-yard free-kick into the corner of the Vale net.

It was a worthy winner and it gave Luton the perfect way to end 2007 and look ahead to the New Year.

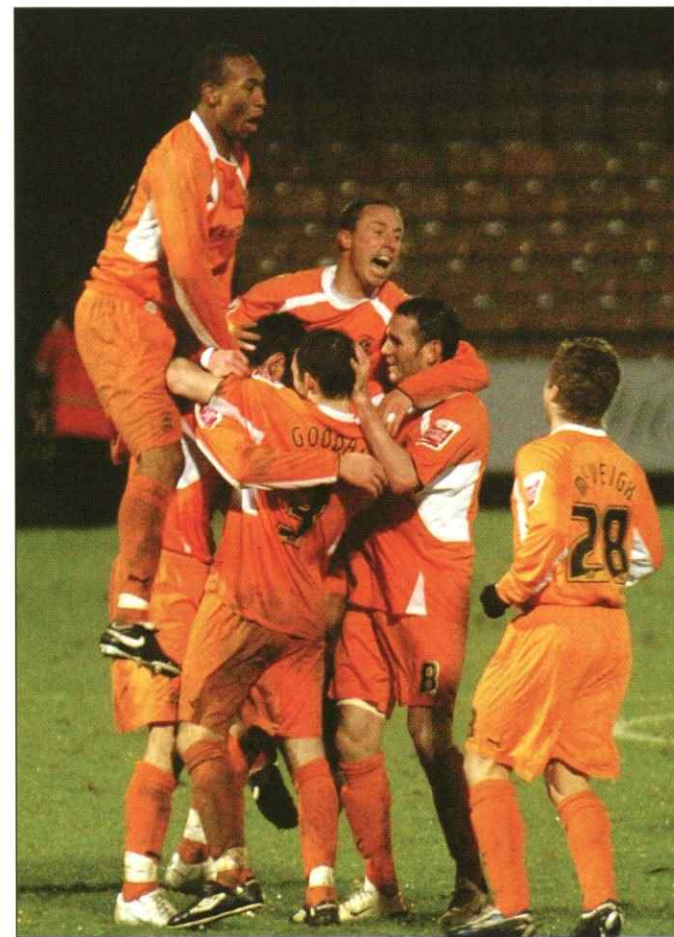
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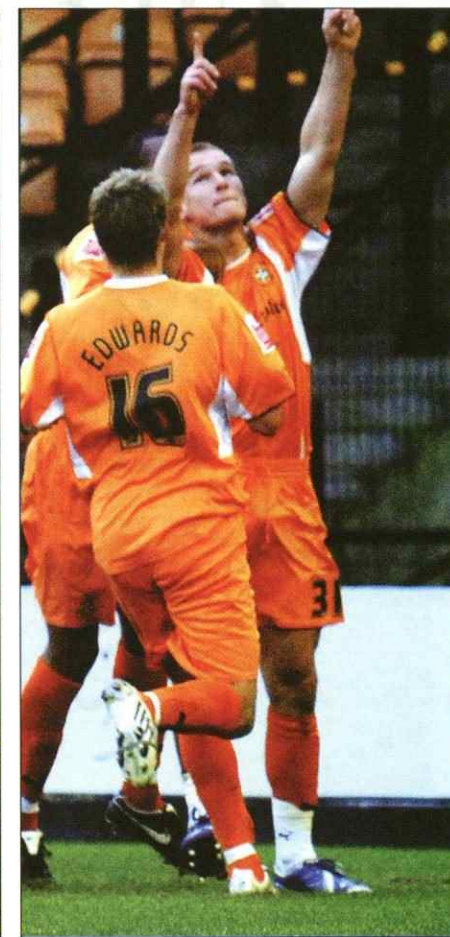
STRIKE... Drew Talbot fires in a cross for the Hatters



FLOORED... Matthew Spring rounds the Vale defence with ease



CELEBRATIONS... Matthew Spring (left) is mobbed as Luton players celebrate his winner whilst Jaroslav Fojut points to the sky after his goal





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## THE STATISTICS

SIMON PITTS finds some fascinating facts about today's teams

**35** The number of previous FA Cup Third Round matches at Kenilworth Road whilst Luton have been a League Club. Luton have won 14 of these fixtures, drawn ten and lost 11. The Hatters have scored 67 goals and conceded 47.

**6** The most number of goals scored in one match by the Hatters. In January 1947 Hugh Billington scored five times in a 6-0 victory against Notts County, with Mel Daniel scoring the other. Six years later and Luton were 6-1 winners against Blackburn Rovers. Jesse Pye scored a hat-trick, and Arthur Taylor netted twice, in his only FA Cup appearance for Luton, with Bernard Moore also scoring.

**26220** The biggest attendance for a Third Round FA Cup tie at Kenilworth Road. It was back in 1961 and Northampton Town were beaten 4-0. Gordon Turner scored twice with further goals from Alan Brown and Alec Ashworth.

**6092** The lowest attendance when Bristol City were the visitors in 1993, Phil Gray and Ceri Hughes were the goalscorers in a



SCORER... Steve Robinson

## SIMON'S STATS



2-0 victory.

**5101** The number of days since Luton have won a Third Round FA Cup tie at Kenilworth Road. A 1-0 victory against Southend United, courtesy of a goal from Paul Telfer in 1994. This was the start of the run to the semi-finals, as Premiership Newcastle and West Ham were both beaten on Luton's run to Wembley. Since that victory over the Shrimpers, the Hatters have drawn with Bristol Rovers, Bolton Wanderers and Queens Park Rangers. There was of course also the defeat against today's visitors two years ago.

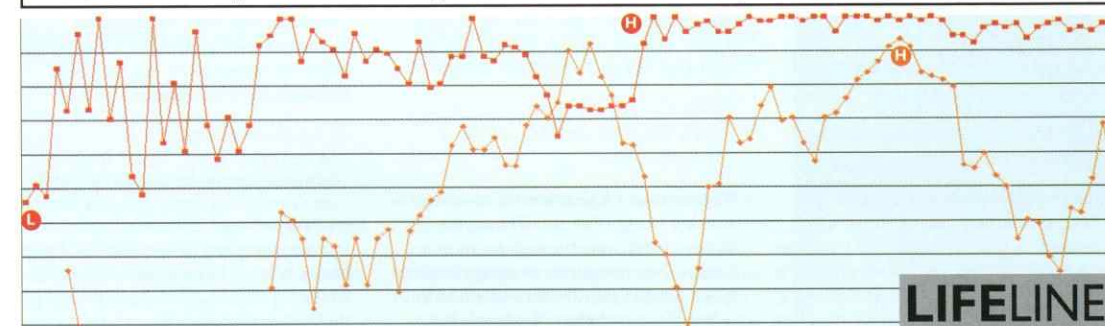
**1959** The year of Luton's only FA Cup Final appearance, and Leeds United were beaten 5-1 at Kenilworth Road in the Third Round. Billy Bingham scored twice, as did Tony Gregory, with Bob Morton scoring in one of his record 48 FA Cup appearances for Luton Town.

**8** The most number of goals in a match at this stage of the competition, and it was the memorable match from two years ago when Liverpool won 5-3. Steven Gerrard opened the scoring before Steve Howard, Steve Robinson and a Kevin Nicholls penalty put the Hatters 3-1 up. Liverpool came out on top though with a brace apiece for Florent Sinama Pongolle and Xabi Alonso.

## Each way movers

**4** The number of players to have transferred from Liverpool to Luton. William Molyneux was the first as he featured for the Hatters in the 1920's, making 85 appearances, and scoring just one goal. In the mid 1960's Bobby Thomson made 84 appearances for Luton after his transfer from Merseyside. Peter Spiring made just 15 league appearances in the mid 1970's, but scored twice, although he was on the losing side both times! Richard Money is the most recent player to have made the permanent move in the early 1980's, and his Luton career saw him fall just one appearance short of 50. Luton have also had a loan player from Liverpool, Besian Idrizaj making seven appearances at the end of last season, and scoring in a 3-1 win at Southend.

**2** The number of players to have moved to Liverpool from Luton. Bill Perkins made 32 appearances in goal for Luton during the 1898/99 season. Amazingly Perkins kept only one clean sheet in these fixtures, a 1-0 win at Watford in a FA Cup Third qualifying round replay. Paul Walsh made 89 appearances and scored 28 goals for Luton after signing from Charlton Athletic in July 1982. The Hatters had just gained promotion to the top flight of English football and Walsh settled quickly into the team, scoring a hat-trick against Notts County in just his third appearance. Walsh made his England debut against Australia in June 1983, and was voted the PFA Young Player of the Year in 1983/84. Liverpool paid £700,000 for his services in May 1984. In nearly six years at Anfield, Walsh made 112 appearances and scored 37 goals before a move to Tottenham Hotspur.



**Hatters and Liverpool past...**

THIS week's **LIFELINE** shows how Luton and Liverpool have won the League title on 18 occasions. It also shows how much of a force Liverpool have been over the past 30 years. Luton's low point came with a 17th place in Division Four in 1966-67 and their high a top flight 7th place in 1986-87.





CELEBRATIONS... Julian Gray celebrates with his team after opening the scoring in the fourth round replay against Liverpool

**1) Cardiff City 2-1 Leeds United, Third Round, Ninian Park, 6 January 2002**

At the time, Leeds were still at their peak, proudly standing two points clear at the top of the Premiership, having only lost three times in all competitions under the charge of David O'Leary. Meanwhile, although tipped to do well, City were eighth in the then-Division Two. The regulation away win looked on the cards when Mark Viduka provided a twelfth minute lead from 20 yards, but Graham Kavanagh levelled nine minutes later with a free-kick, and Scott Young provided the winner with three minutes to go. However, they lost at divisional rivals Tranmere Rovers in the Fourth Round.

**2) Rotherham United 2-1 Southampton, Third Round, Millmoor, 16 January 2002**

Struggling in what is now the Championship, the Millers were not expected to provide much of a challenge for a Southampton side, newly under the charge of Gordon Strachan and showing an improvement in the Premiership after a difficult start. However, United made it into the fourth round for the first time in eight seasons. Richie Barker and John Mullin put the hosts 2-0 up by the 55th minute, but despite Marian Pahars pulling

a goal back for the Saints, Rotherham held on to win.

**3) Charlton Athletic 1-2 Walsall, Fourth Round, The Valley, 26 January 2002**

All through their Premiership career, the Addicks' Cup form in both League and FA Cups had been distinctly modest, but they were continuing to establish themselves in the top-flight. The Saddlers had been in miserable form in the second tier after promotion, but Colin Lee's debut as manager brought a stirring away win thanks to Jorge Leitao's brace. Graham Stuart netted for the hosts to make it 2-1, but it wasn't enough. Walsall lost at home to Fulham in the Fifth Round.

**4) Shrewsbury Town 2-1 Everton, Third Round, Gay Meadow, 4 January 2003**

Win or lose, FA Cup results can make or break a season. For the Shrews, this famous result was the high-point of a League Two relegation campaign. Veteran Nigel Jemson put the Shrews ahead with a free-kick just before the break, but Niclas Alexandersson equalised in the second-half, only for Jemson to head his second with just a minute left. The Shrews lost to Chelsea in the next round, whilst Everton finished seventh

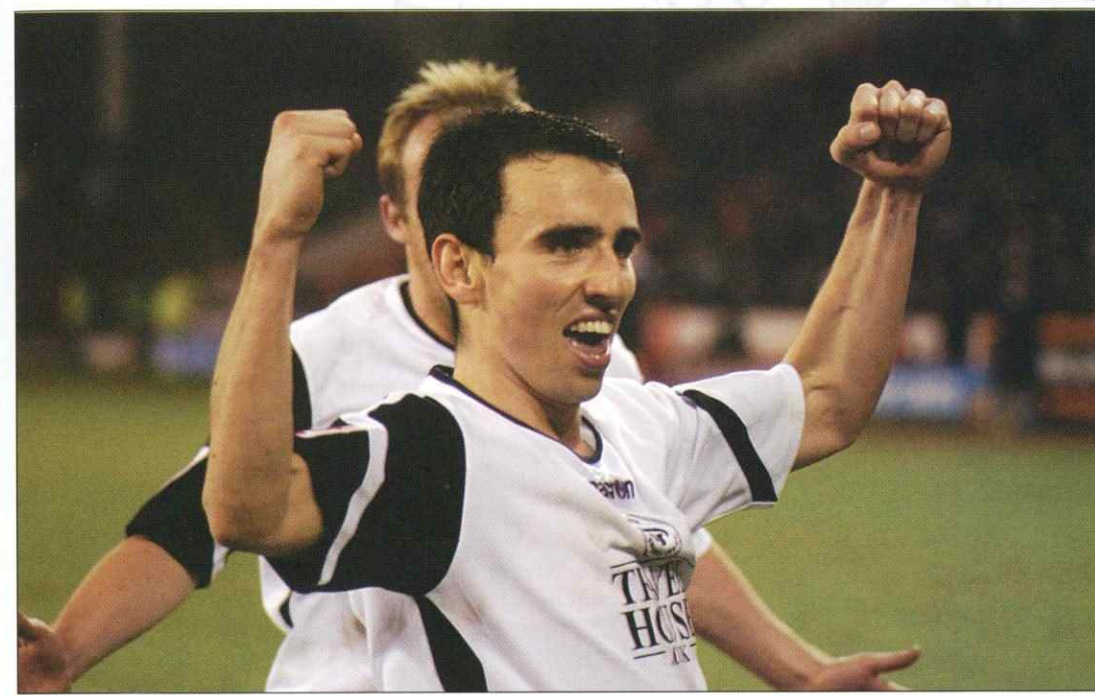
that season.

**5) Liverpool 0-2 Crystal Palace, Fourth Round Replay, Anfield, 5 February 2003**

Since the Eagles reached their first FA Cup final in 1990 at the expense of the Reds, clashes between the sides have rarely lacked incident, and this was no exception. The first game had seen a 0-0 draw at Selhurst Park, with the Championship side's best chance of an upset apparently gone. However, after resisting incessant pressure, Julian Gray put the visitors ahead, and after Dougie Freedman was sent off, Stephane Henchoz's own goal made it 2-0 to the depleted visitors, who lost to Leeds United in the Fifth Round.

**6) Oldham Athletic 1-0 Manchester City, Third Round, Boundary Park, 8 January 2005**

It's easy to forget the Latics were founder members of the Premier League, having been in League One since 1997, whilst top-flight City looked to have put their reputation for results such as this one behind them. Scott Vernon's first-half goal proved the difference between the sides, in a brief taste of the glory years in this thrilling derby win over their illustrious local rivals, but Bolton would knock



VICTORY... Leon Britton looks to the fans after scoring the third goal for Swansea in their victory over Sheffield United

them out in the next round, whilst Kevin Keegan left City two months later.

**7) Burnley 1-0 Liverpool, Third Round, Turf Moor, 18 January 2005**

Having reached the Quarter-Finals two seasons earlier, the Clarets had a taste for more FA Cup success, and the play-off chasing Championship side added the scalp of an under-strength Reds side, in a season which would end with the historic Champions League Final win over AC Milan. Djimi Traore's own goal separated the sides. Burnley beat AFC Bournemouth in the next round, before losing in a Fifth Round replay at their local rivals Blackburn, finishing the season in mid-table.

**8) Fulham 1-2 Leyton Orient, Third Round, Craven Cottage, 8 January 2006**

Before Fulham's rapid elevation to the Premiership, this was a common League Two derby, a division which the O's stood third in at the time of this game, having won seven away games. Craig Easton and Joe Keith put the visitors into a 2-0 interval lead, but Collins John quickly pulled a second-half goal back, before the striker saw his penalty saved by Glyn Garner. Orient couldn't repeat the trick at Charlton in Round Four, but were promoted at the end of the season.

**9) Brentford 2-1 Sunderland, Fourth Round, Griffin Park, 28 January 2006**

This was the game which built the reputation of Martin Allen, and striker DJ Campbell, who joined from non-league Yeading. Wins over Greater Manchester trio Rochdale, Oldham and Stockport had set up this game. Campbell opened the scoring in the second-half, but Julio Arca levelled for the Premiership side, before Campbell netted with just a minute left. Campbell would later sign for Birmingham City, whilst Brentford lost at Charlton in the Fifth Round, and missed out on League One promotion in the play-offs. The Black Cats were relegated at the end of the year.

**10) Sheffield United 0-3 Swansea City, Third Round, Bramall Lane, 6 January 2007**

Newly promoted to the Premiership, the Blades could be easily forgiven for concentrating on survival, which would ultimately be in vain, as they modified their side for this match. However, the margin of victory was still impressive for the League One visitors, whose goals came from Tom Butler, who netted a brace, and Leon Britton, from the spot. City lost at Ipswich Town in the next round, and missed out on the play-offs.



ALL SMILES... Dudley Campbell



# Farewell Fojut

JAROSLAW Fojut signed off from his loan spell at Kenilworth Road with another typical battling display to help Luton clinch an important victory against Yeovil on Tuesday.

Despite being kicked and bashed about by Yeovil's attack, Fojut was determined to finish his Luton spell on a high note - and he did exactly that.

It was another performance that Luton fans have come used to and it was a fitting tribute to him that the Polish defender received a standing ovation at the final whistle.

And speaking after the 1-0 win, Fojut admits that he will sorely miss everyone at Kenilworth Road.

He said: "It's not a good feeling to be going back to Bolton. We are on a good run of results and I wish I could continue to help the Club move forward.

"I have worked with a bunch of really good players who want to see this Club do well.

"I would have liked to stay until the end of the season, but there is nothing I can do about that. It's a shame, but I suppose I just have to move on."

Hatters boss Kevin Blackwell believes Fojut returns to Bolton as a better player, and the centre-half believes his stay at Kenilworth Road has helped develop him as a defender.

He continued: "To play competitive games is much better than to play reserve games. I felt as though I have improved every week.

"I have loved it at Luton. The players

**“ The ovation from the fans was very special. It's something that I will remember for a long time. ”**

are so together and want to help each other out.

"I have found it easy to get on with the other lads. I can speak to someone like Paul Furlong and it's like we have been mates forever.

"It was a pleasure to play here and to be involved in so many good games, like Everton and Sunderland."

Fojut was left speechless by the response he received from Luton fans at the end of the game, and hasn't ruled out the possibility of a return to Kenilworth Road in the future.

"The ovation from the fans was very special," Fojut added. "It's something

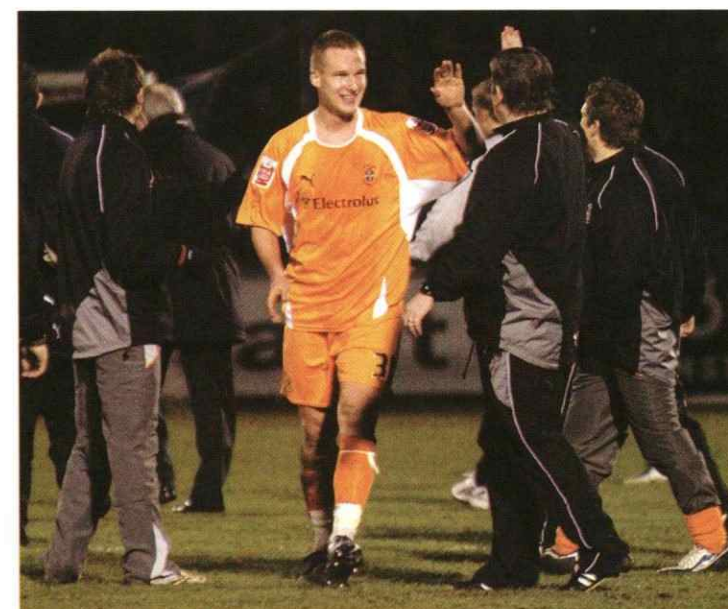
that I will remember for a long time.

"I really don't know what to say them. It was such a good feeling."

On a possible return, he continued: "It all depends what happens in the future. If Luton did get out of administration and my situation at Bolton hasn't improved, then you never know what can happen.

"I'm hoping to be at the Liverpool game. It's disappointing that I can't be involved, but I want to wish the players good luck."

Everyone at Luton Town would like to thank Jaroslaw and wish him every success in the future.



**HIGH FIVE..** Polish defender Jaroslaw Fojut celebrates the point at Bristol Rovers



**Hatters Line-Up****4-4-2**

Goals: Andrew (48)

Substitutes:

McVeigh (87 Currie)

Furlong (89 Andrew)

Not used: Hutchison, Jackson, Robinson

Spring

none

**Yeovil Line-Up****4-4-2**

Goals:

Substitutes:

Williams (58 Stieber)

Owusu (60 Way)

Barry (80 Dempsey)

Not used: Alcock, Bircham

Rose, Stewart, Williams

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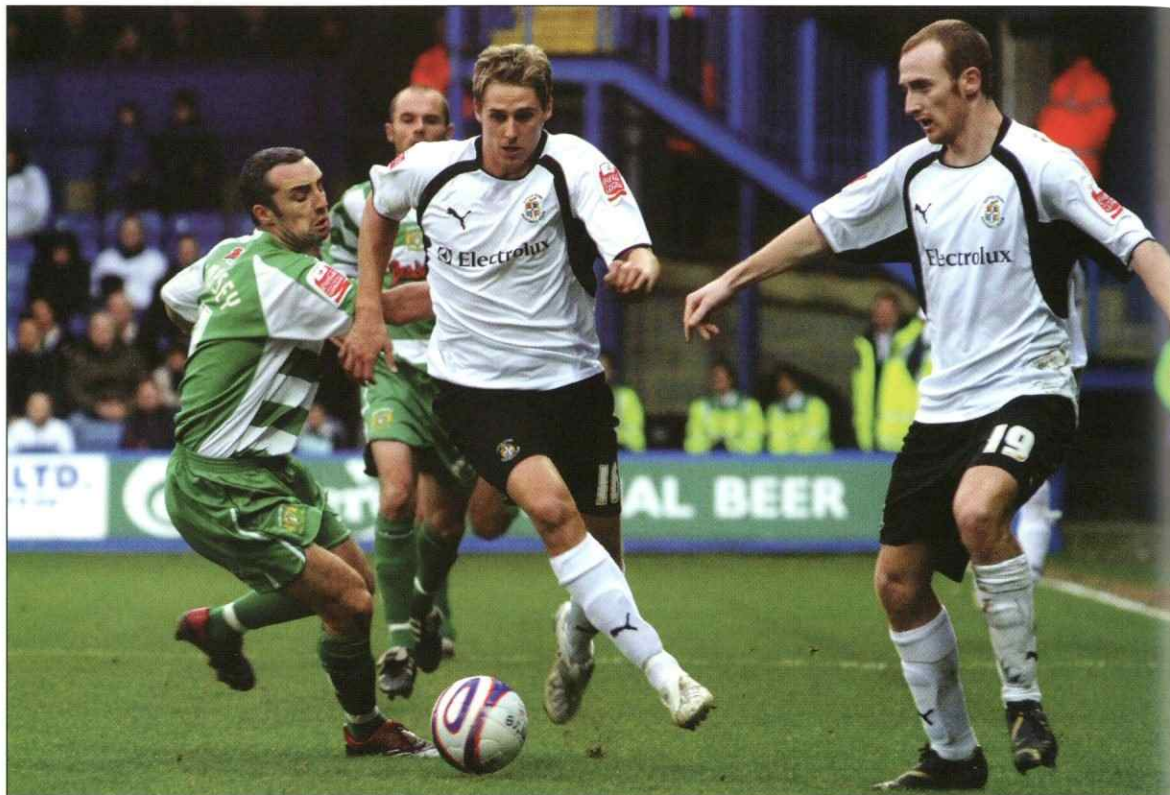
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COCA-COLA LEAGUE ONE TUESDAY JANUARY 1, 2008 KENILWORTH ROAD ATT: 6,811 STUCK IN THE MIDDLE... Calvin Andrew gets in a spot of bother, but still manages to win this header against three Yeovil defenders





ON THE ATTACK... Dave Edwards unlocks the Yeovil defence and powers down the wing as he is closely watched by Drew Talbot

## BLACKWELL'S VIEW



"It was thoroughly deserved. That was as big a 1-0 win as you would get. Our approach play was excellent at times and we should have finished the game off a lot earlier. It was always going to be one ball that would break the deadlock and it came from Belly. The goal was scored from Calvin on the move and getting across the goalkeeper. It was a great goal for Calvin to score because it's a reward for his appetite and hard work he's shown since coming into the team and in training."

Kevin Blackwell

Calvin Andrew's diving header early in the second-half gave Luton back-to-back wins in League One for the first time this season.

The Hatters striker pounced with a brave winner in a game that Luton dominated from start to finish.

It's a win that doesn't lift Luton out of the relegation places of League One, but does a lot to enhance their chances of beating the drop.

Luton enjoyed much of the early running and Andrew almost gave the Hatters a dream start when he linked up with Drew Talbot to hit a half volley that stung the gloves of Yeovil goalkeeper Steve Mildenhall.

The Hatters continued to bombard the Yeovil goal and a well worked corner almost saw a goal on 12 minutes when Darren Currie picked out the late run from Matthew Spring, whose header was whipped off the line by Gary Dempsey.

Luton started the second-half in a similar fashion and broke the deadlock just three minutes after the restart as Bell's first time cross from the right was met by Andrew's brave diving header from eight-yards out.

It seemed as if a second would arrive eventually with the Hatters looking slick going forward.

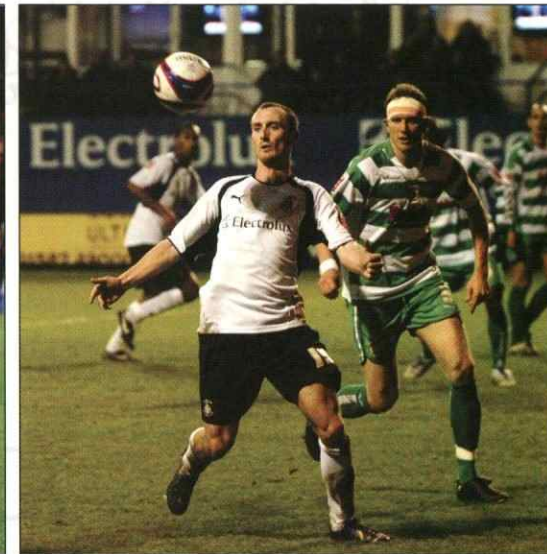
Luton supporters a second had arrived when on 78 minutes Mildenhall pushed Edwards' header onto a post and saw the rebound roll straight back into his arms.

Yeovil's afternoon ended with Warne dismissed for a second yellow card after a clumsy challenge on Edwards.

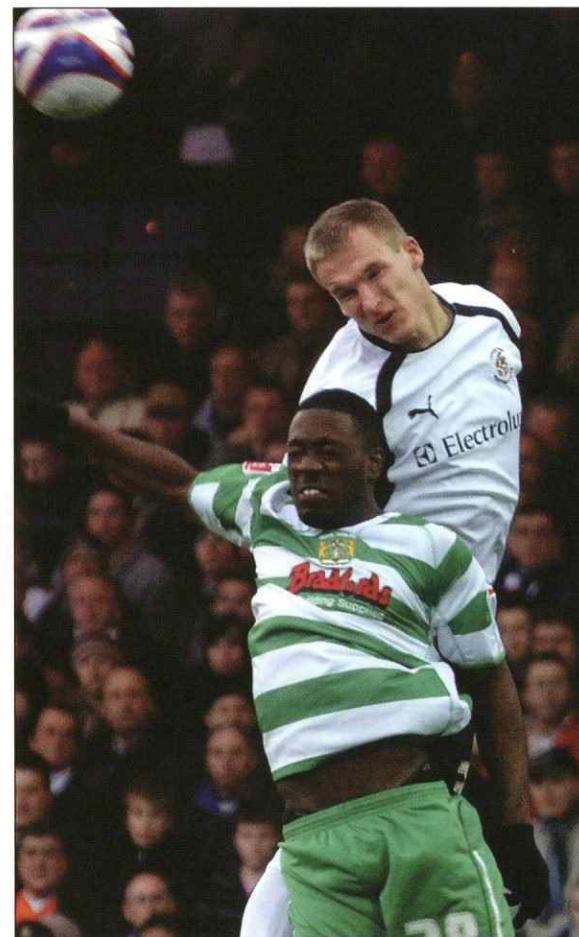
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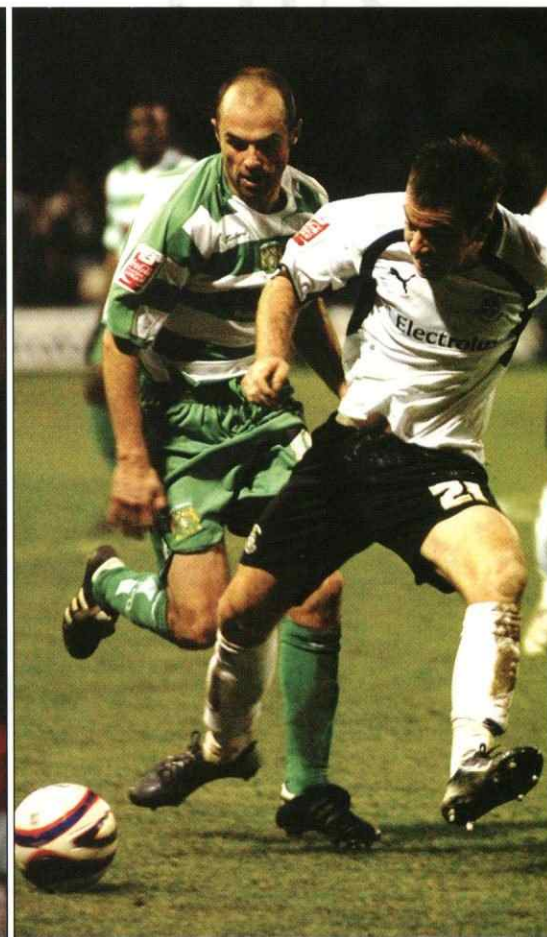
PRESSURE... Darren Currie keeps Yeovil midfielder Darren Way at bay



CALM... Drew Talbot keeps calm under pressure from the Yeovil defence

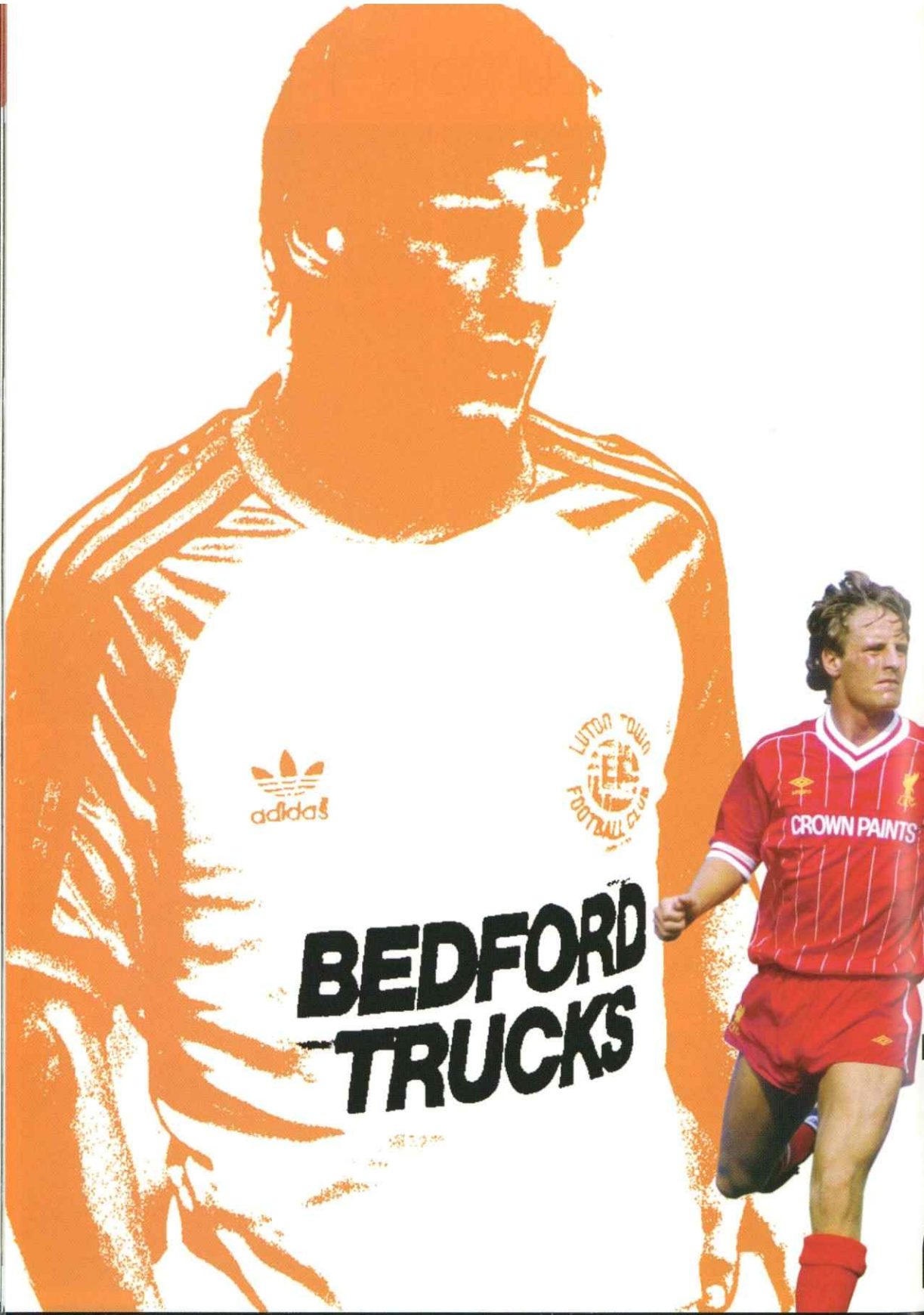


ON MY HEAD... Jaroslav Fojut wins this battle with James Walker



NEATLY DONE... Yeovil put Keith Keane under pressure





**Luton welcome a very special guest to Kenilworth Road this afternoon. Paul Walsh was a much-loved player with Luton and Liverpool and enjoyed a successful career with both. He speaks exclusively to our matchday programme about his spell with both clubs and his views on today's game.**

If there is one man who is best placed to give his assessment on today's two teams it would be our special guest at Kenilworth Road, Paul Walsh.

The Sky Sports pundit was a Luton regular during two seasons at Kenilworth Road before joining Liverpool in 1984 for a £700,000 fee.

At Anfield, Walsh became a popular figure and was part of a Liverpool team that consisted of some of their greatest ever players such as striker Ian Rush and midfield dynamo Kenny Dalglish.

But Walsh's football career started as an apprentice with Charlton Athletic and was eased carefully into first-team action at the Valley. He made his debut as a substitute for Dick Tydeman in a Second Division game against Shrewsbury Town early in the 1979-80 season and was picked to start the next game at Watford.

He would only appear sporadically that season however, as the Addicks suffered relegation to the Third Division.

But it was in the Third Division when Walsh went on to make a first team place his own.

The quick, skillful youngster formed a formidable spearhead alongside the experienced Derek Hales and Martin Robinson and went to notch his first every hat-trick in a 5-0 drubbing of Brentford in the League Cup.

An exciting season saw Charlton reach the FA Cup Fifth Round, before going down 2-0 at Ipswich Town, as well as clinching the third promotion berth to return to Division Two.

Walsh had certainly shown potential and

the following season he confirmed it. Walsh hit thirteen goals as Charlton attained the respectability of mid-table. Though still a teenager, Walsh had shown himself to be a class act.

It was his form at Charlton that saw him alert the attention of David Pleat, manager of Luton Town, and it was he that brought Walsh to Kenilworth Road.

Walsh takes up the story: "Luton Town had just won promotion to the First Division and David Pleat was keen to bring me to the Club.

"It was a massive decision for me to come to Kenilworth Road. I was young and it was a move that would take me away from my home and family for the first time.

"But the chance to play in top flight football was too good for me to turn down and I moved to Luton.

"I felt a lot of pressure when I arrived, but I quickly settled in.

"It was a good Club to come and play for because they played the style of football which suited my game. I stayed in digs at Sundon Park and I quickly settled in at the Club."

The £400,000 price tag Luton paid Charlton was certainly money well spent as Walsh went on to become an inspired signing.

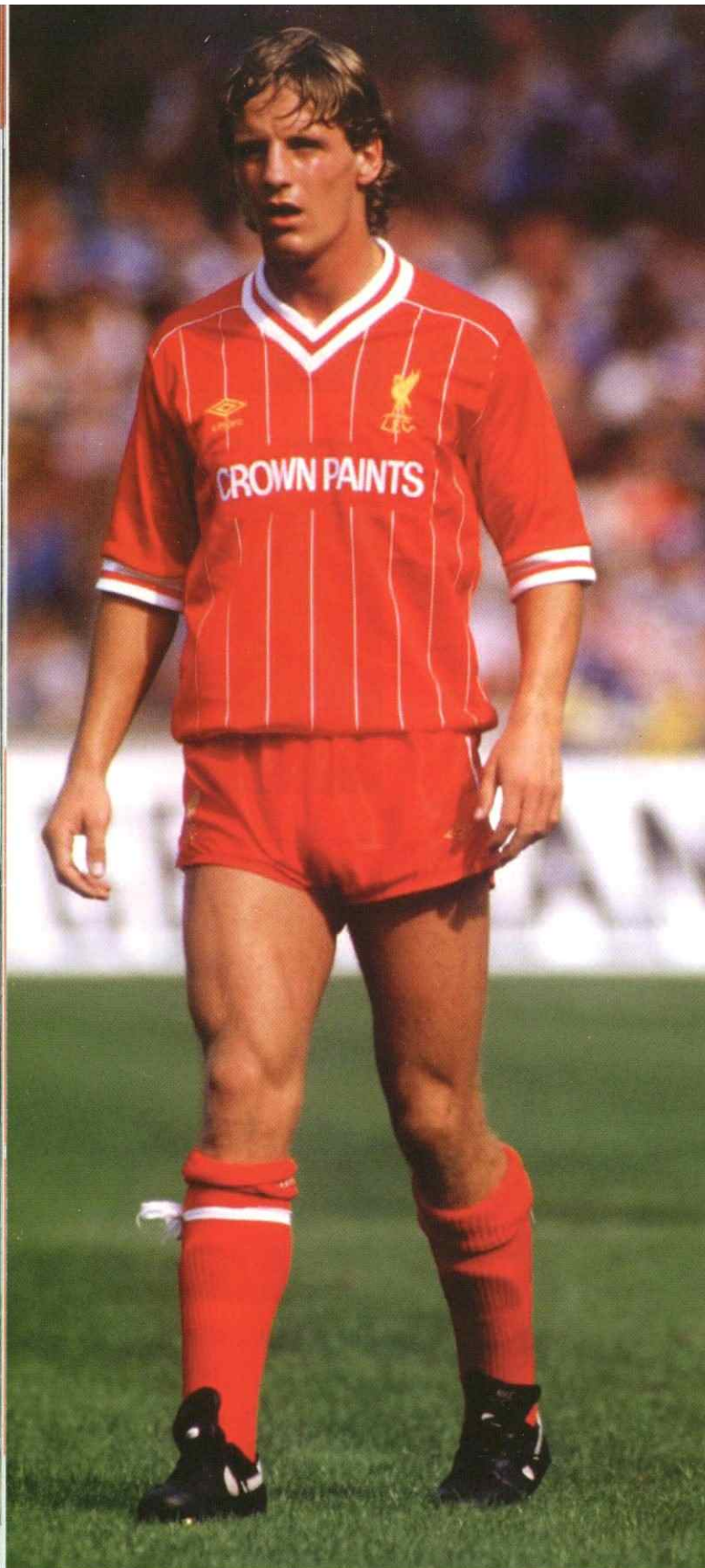
Luton fans will remember Walsh being blessed with electric pace off the mark and showed plenty of imagination in creating chances for others.

Despite not looking an out and out goalscorer he had found the net consistently and was capable of scoring out of



# Paul Walsh





nothing.

In only his third Luton appearance, Walsh became an instant hero scoring a hat-trick in a 5-3 victory against Notts County.

Walsh continued: "I remember playing in that game and scoring the hat-trick. I was still finding my feet at the Club at the time so to score a hat-trick so early on in my Luton career gave me a lot of confidence.

"Working under David Pleat was something that I probably remember the most at my time at Luton.

"He was a hard-working manager and implemented his ideas in a very strange way. I think he got all his players playing to the best of their abilities.

"I had a lot to be thankful for; going to Luton. They helped me develop as a player and I went on to Liverpool to enjoy a established career."

His silky style was at home in Division One. The graceful dribbling, clever passing and occasionally thunderous shooting made him one of the most exciting players to watch and his match winning ability was invaluable to a struggling side.

Luton survived by the skin of their teeth after winning 1-0 at Manchester City on the final day of the season and although Walsh was kept quiet in that game he had contributed hugely to the clubs' cause over the course of the season.

With England Youth and Under 21 caps already to his name, Walsh was already being talked about in terms of the full England squad.

And after just one season with them in the top flight, Walsh already looked destined for bigger and better things in his career.

Walsh did not have long to wait for his call up to the England squad. At the end of this season England were visiting Australia to play three games in a week and Walsh was selected in a highly experimental squad.

The three games became exercises in attrition with Australia strong, well organised and extremely physical. Walsh won his first cap when replacing Luther Blissett in the first game which ended in a goalless draw.

In the second game he started up front with Trevor Francis and scored in a 1-0 win before playing most of the third game which ended in a 1-1 draw.

Nobody really emerged with much credit from these games but Walsh had not harmed his reputation. His partnership with Francis in the second game had, at least, provided just about the only quality

of the entire series.

"I suppose if your talking about a highlight of my time at Luton it would have to be winning my England cap whilst at the Club.

"I remember being surprised at the time, but it was one of the best experiences of my career.

"In terms of playing for Luton, the last day of the season win at Manchester City was something special.

"There was a lot of pressure on us that day, but we played some tremendous football and Raddy Antic got a superb winner."

Walsh continued to impress at Luton in his second season and his cheeky skills were recognised by his fellow professionals, who voted him the Young Player of the Year for 1984.

He also won two further England caps and it was little surprise that his performances for Luton had captured the attention of Liverpool.

Walsh completed a £750,000 move to Anfield and although he signed too late to actually play for them he was able to join the party that travelled to Rome to capture the European Cup.

"Liverpool had a fantastic team at the time. It was one of their best teams for several years and the decision for me to move to Liverpool was one of the easiest of my careers.

"To play with players such as Kenny Dalglish and Ian Rush was a great pleasure. I always had the belief that I could become a success at Liverpool despite the big names at Anfield.

"I found it tough at first and I was mainly a substitute, but when Ian Rush picked

up an injury I was given my chance.

"I loved playing at Anfield and scoring my first ever goal in front of the Kop was something very special.

"To play with so many great players around me, at still a young age, was something that was of great experience and as I settled in at Liverpool I started to really enjoy some of the best football in my career."

Walsh was huge success at Anfield, but injuries denied him the chance to ever really nail down a first team place in the early stages of his career at Liverpool.

With another glorious season in prospect for Liverpool, everything suddenly evaporated into nothing as the season came to a close. Liverpool were in the unaccustomed position of watching Everton disappear over the horizon in the league but had the FA Cup and European Cup to fall back on.

Walsh had made his mark in Europe when scoring twice in a 4-1 second leg victory over Austria Vienna at Anfield and did his status with the fans no harm by bundling home a last minute equaliser against Manchester United in the FA Cup semi-final.

Liverpool then lost the replay to United, despite giving an improved performance, and the European Cup dream turned into a grotesque nightmare as fans died at the stadium during violence before the final against Juventus had even started.

Paul Walsh was one of those going through the motions as the Italians eventually won the game 1-0.

"The Heysel Stadium disaster is a night you just wanted to forget. It was the worst part of my career at Liverpool."

Walsh started the 1985-86 season in

blistering style when, having won a place in the team in October, after scoring twice in a 3-2 win against Luton, Walsh hit the finest form of his career.

In the next fourteen league games, the former Portsmouth man scored ten goals, many of them of outstanding quality, and his all round game looked to have really matured.

His pace, movement and control were of the highest order and his finishing, during this spell, was just as good.

A knee injury sustained at the beginning of February ended his season, however, and Walsh had to sit and watch as the Reds marched to the League and FA Cup double.

Walsh would never recreate this consistency of performance and injuries continued to blight his progress. He made the starting line up for the 1987 League Cup final but was replaced by Kenny Dalglish as Liverpool slipped to a 2-1 defeat against Arsenal.

"I was hit by injuries at a crucial time during my career at Liverpool. The problem I had was that Kenny was made manager at the time and he was the player playing in my position.

"I would be used as a substitute during the remaining time at Liverpool, but never really got myself back into the side on a regular basis.

"Then, Liverpool brought in the likes of John Barnes and Peter Beardsley to Anfield. In my opinion, John was one of the best players in the country and Liverpool were building a new side for the future.

"It was disappointing to leave Liverpool because I had played some of my best football with them. I learned a lot, played with some great players and won medals. It was a memorable time for me."

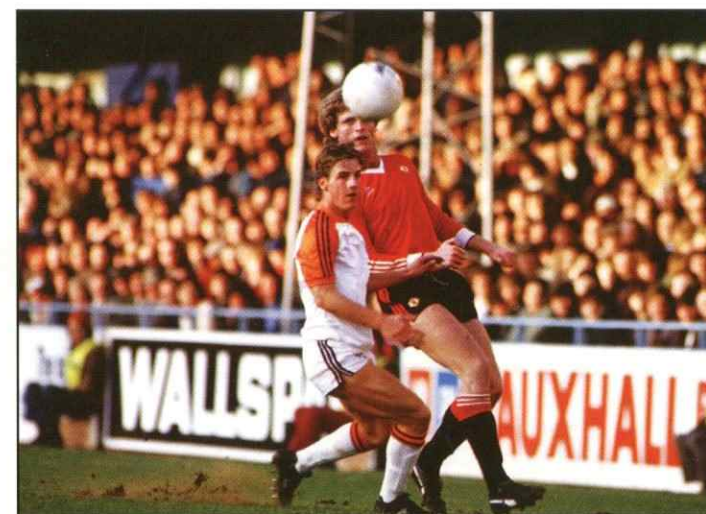
Walsh finished his playing days at Tottenham, Portsmouth, Manchester City before moving back with Portsmouth for a second spell.

Walsh is back at Kenilworth Road this afternoon as a special guest speaker for today's commercial guests at the Club.

"I'm looking forward to coming back. I still keep up to date with what is happening at Luton, but it has been a while since I was last at Kenilworth Road.

"This fixture produced a fantastic game last time out, but I can obviously only see one winner this afternoon.

"Hopefully there will be a lot of goals in today and it can produce another classic match."



LOOK OUT... Paul Walsh in action for Luton against Manchester United at Kenilworth Road



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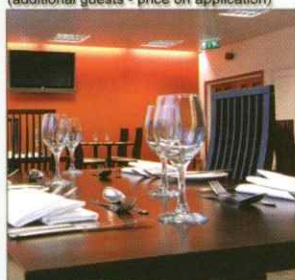
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We would like to welcome our two commercial mascots to Kenilworth Road this afternoon.

Our first mascot is Kishan Patel (pictured top).

Kishan attends Bedford Modern School and lists playing football, cricket and table tennis as his bobbies.



His favourite Luton Town players is David Bell, whom he hopes to meet this afternoon.

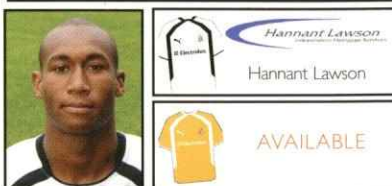
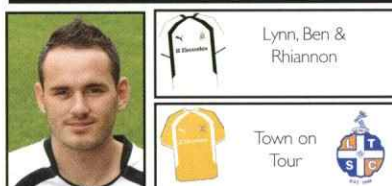
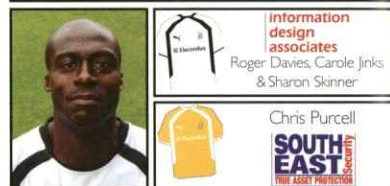
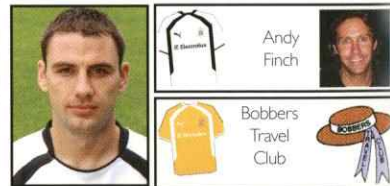
Our second commercial mascot is Darren Norman, who also attends Bedford Modern School.

Darren is a mad Luton Town fan and loves playing football as well as water polo and kick boxing.

Darren's favourite Luton Town player is Dean Brill.

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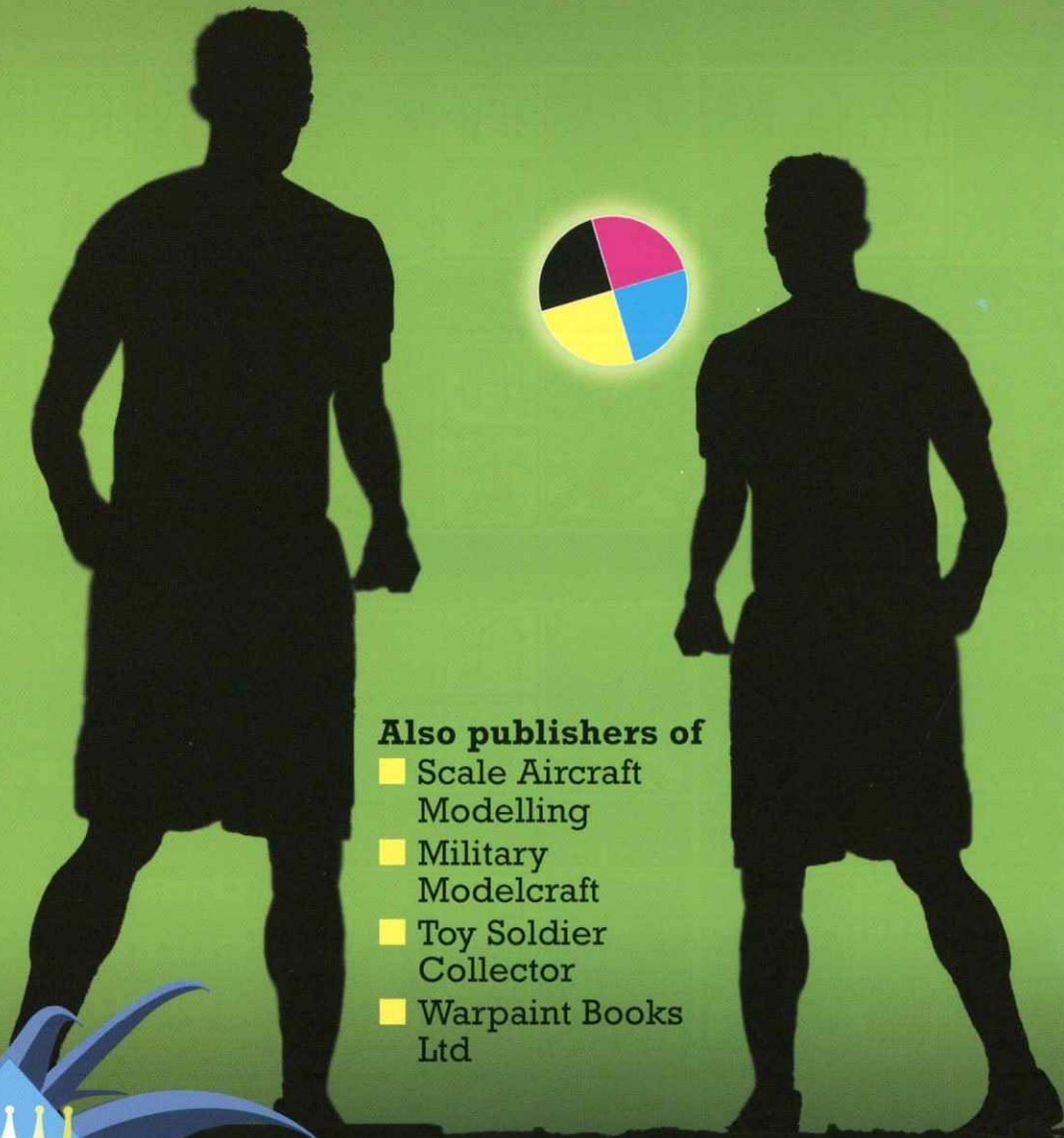
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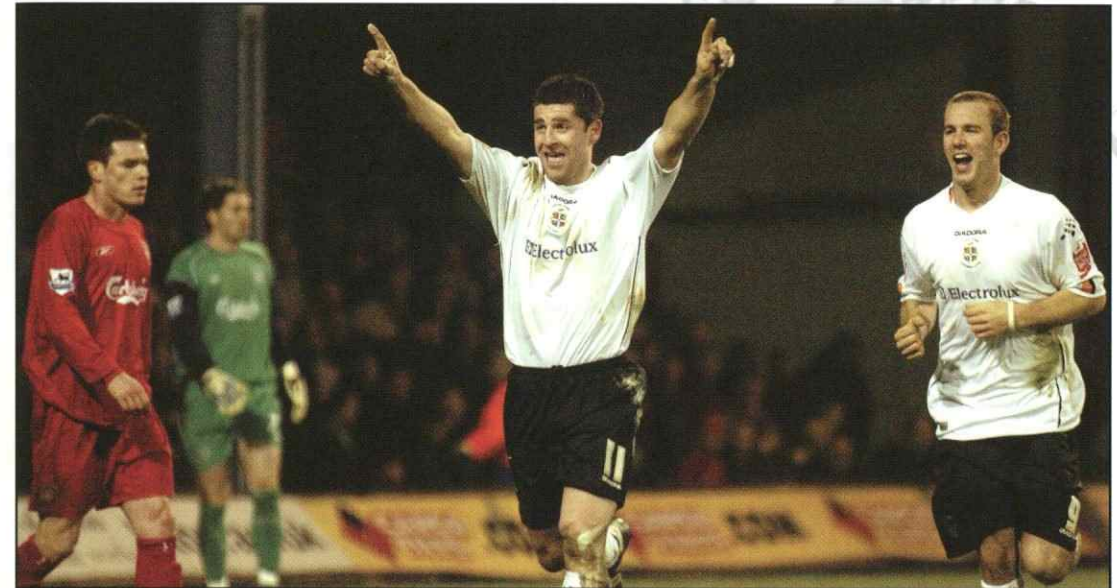
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# Kenilworth treated to FA Cup thriller



It has been labelled as one of the greatest FA Cup Third Round games ever. Luton and Liverpool served up a treat for a packed Kenilworth Road crowd and a worldwide television audience, that had armchair fans glued to their screens. **SIMON PITTS** gives his account on the events that unfolded on an amazing evening of football at Kenilworth Road.

IT may be two years ago but the Luton v Liverpool FA Cup tie will live long in the memory of fans across the country, who were either right there within the electric atmosphere at Kenilworth Road, or watching the amazing encounter develop on their TV screens at home.

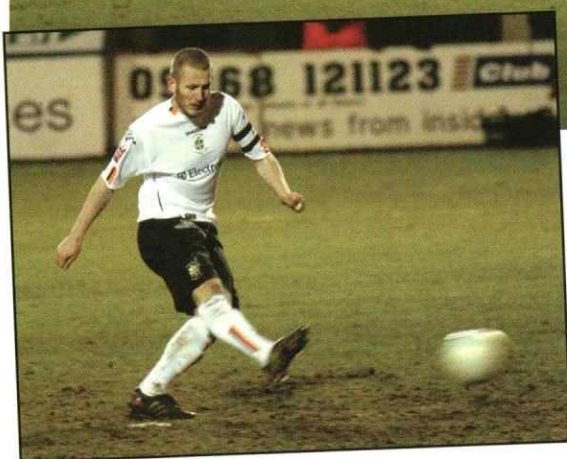
Not since the FA Cup run of 1994 had the Club experienced a tie quite like this, and it certainly lived up to all expectations. Whilst I look forward to every match there was something extra special about this particular game, which was also clear from the amount of coverage the media were giving the Club in the week leading up to the match.

League One Champions against European Champions, surely not a difficult result to predict on paper, but then this is a game played on grass and it was the FA Cup.

You've only got to fast forward to the Quarter-Finals and see that Liverpool won 7-0 at fellow Premiership side Birmingham City to realise just what a task this was going to be. But were Luton capable of providing another Cup upset - I certainly hoped so as I made my way to Kenilworth Road.

It's a 70 mile journey for me, so there was plenty of time to think about the game, to consider the team line ups, to dream of a victory (or even a replay and a





trip to the famous Anfield), but most importantly to hope that Luton could show just how good a side they were, and not to be totally outplayed on live TV - thankfully I needn't have worried about that.

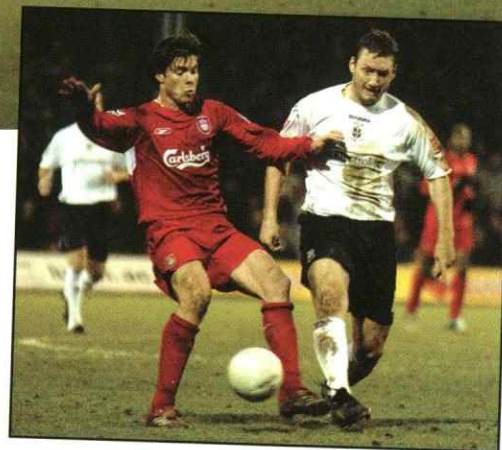
Arriving at Kenilworth Road and outside the ground was awash with engineers, camera crew, miles of cables, and even security guards ensuring that Club staff had their relevant ID cards, and fans had their tickets, as this was before they could even contemplate getting near the ground.

I never go to a match expecting to remember the day, the atmosphere, or even the game itself, but this was different, this game just had "that feeling". European

Champions as opponents, a capacity crowd, an electric atmosphere, TV cameras wherever you looked, and an unusual kick-off time of 5:30pm, this was certainly no ordinary match at Kenilworth Road.

With the waiting finally over the match got under way, and it was Luton who had the first real chance on goal, an acrobatic volley from Rowan Vine, dealt with by Scott Carson in the Liverpool goal. It wasn't long after though that my mobile phone rang, and I suppose I should have expected a Liverpool supporting colleague to be quick off the mark after a goal for the visitors.

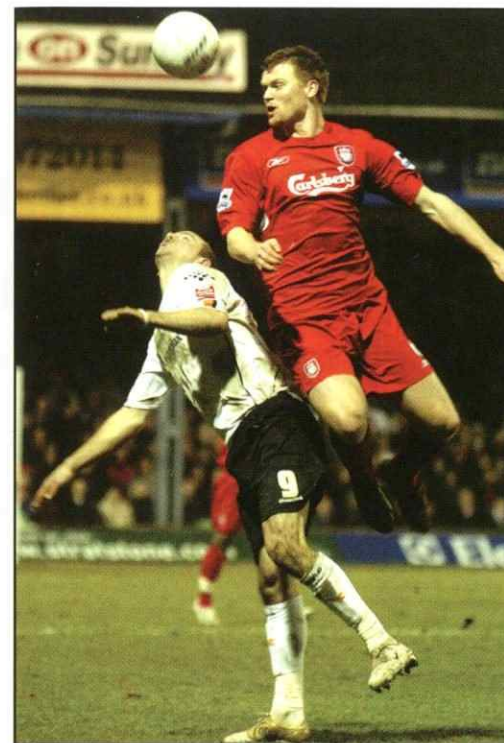
Conceding early was hard enough to endure, so I was certainly not



going to allow an armchair fan the satisfaction of gloating that this was to be the first of many goals for his side. The voicemail he left was exactly that. Fifteen minutes later though and it was his turn to completely ignore his phone ringing.

Steve Howard's goal had been a deserved equaliser as Luton had certainly showed they were not going to let the early setback affect them. Ahmet Brkovic had played a delightful ball through to Howard, who thumped the ball home after beating the advancing Carson. After the euphoria of the goal cue one of my favourite songs at times like these....."You're not singing anymore....."

With just over 30 minutes played



Luton were holding the European Champions, and were even showing that there was every chance of an upset with some very attractive football. Any equalising goal for your side brings a rush of energy, adrenaline, and of course the relief of being back on level terms. This goal however was different. This goal gave us hope that there was every chance of a dream victory over the European Champions.

The next 30 minutes of this Cup tie were to provide some of the most enthralling and memorable football I have witnessed in over 20 years of watching Luton Town.

With continued vocal support from the Hatters fans, using their full repertoire of songs, Luton were to have more chances over the next fifteen minutes, with Markus Heikkinen, twice, and Vine going close.

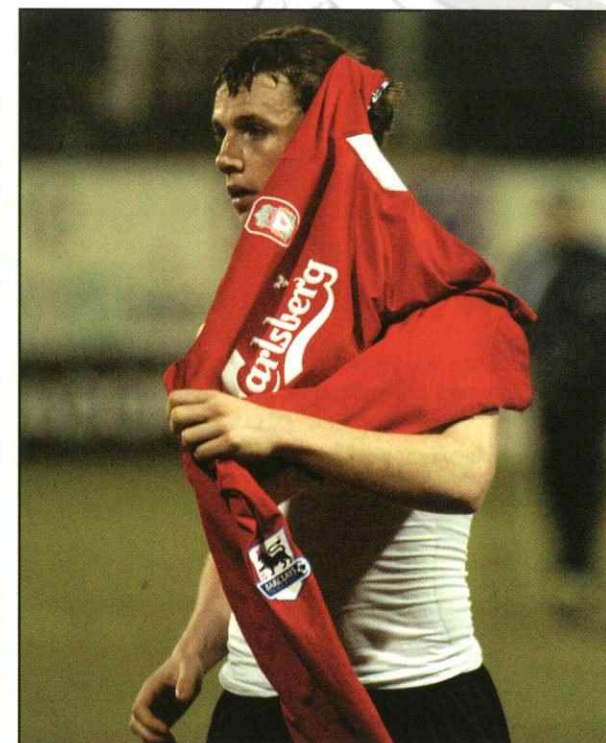
Liverpool meanwhile were trying to remember what the other end of the field looked like. There wasn't the expected gap in class, there wasn't even the thought that these two teams had been two

divisions apart just eight months previous. My only thought at that time was that Luton had every potential of taking the lead.

I didn't need to watch again my DVD to remember Luton's second goal, but I have anyway just to relive the moment. Steve Robinson turned England International Jamie Carragher and with a clinical finish fired into the bottom corner.

It's one of those goals that I just can't, and don't want to, forget. John Motson commented that it was "sheer quality", and no-one could argue with that. It was a sublime turn by Robinson in taking a pass from Carlos Edwards, and the celebrations both on the pitch and in the stands was as good as it could get, or so we thought at the time! The noise of thousands of Luton fans reacting to the goal certainly made a great voicemail message for a certain colleague.

It was one of those halves that you didn't want to end, unless you were a Liverpool fan of course. The opening few minutes of the second-half provided the



rollercoaster of emotions that only football can. From the despair of conceding a penalty, to the delight of seeing Marlon Beresford save Cisse's spot kick, and then the unbelievable happening - Luton taking a two goal lead!

The overwhelming joy at seeing Kevin Nicholl's scoring from the spot cannot be put into words, you really had to be there to be able to fully experience and appreciate the emotions of being a football fan at a time like that. Unfortunately the next 30 minutes provided the other end of the emotional spectrum and the Liverpool comeback is well documented, as is of course "that goal" from Alonso.

Although the defeat hurt at the time, I looked back on the game with great pride that my team came close to knocking out one of the biggest teams in the country. It was certainly one hell of an afternoon.



# Luton's future stars make huge progress in 2007 but look to continue that winning trend in 2008

2007 finished on a real high for Luton's Youth Department and the Under-18 squad.

The Hatters youngsters sit second in the Youth Alliance League, having lost just once so far this season, and reached the Third Round of the FA Youth Cup.

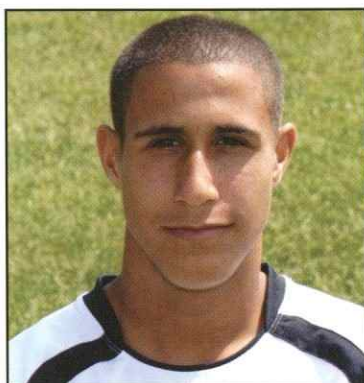
They also recorded an impressive nine game unbeaten run midway through the season, which saw them progress to the latter stages of the Puma Youth Alliance Cup.

And boss Chris Cummins is also seeing real progress being made away from the football field, with a new state-of-the-art training complex at Baldock Town.

All have resulted in 2007 being more than satisfactory for Cummins and his backroom team.

Cummins said: "There has been a

general progression amongst the boys, both on and off the field, since I arrived at the Club.



LEADING SCORER... Ryan Charles

"It's great to win games, but my main priorities is to look how these players develop, not just on the football side of things but, also at college.

"Every player is working hard away from football and the reports I am getting back from the college suggests

that they are all on course to pass their classes.

"I think that has gone on to work on the pitch. I am a great believer that how they work at college will help to go on and develop them as a player.

"Their efforts and application this season has been first class. I couldn't be more pleased with them."

Cummins believes that his players have found this season difficult, but has been delighted by the way they have responded since the change around within the department.

He added: "The players have found things difficult because they have worked extremely hard. They are in a job where they work 8:30am-5pm most days. It's not a case of getting the afternoons off.

"But they have taken to the tasks that have been put in front of them and

they are hungry to do well. I have had boys come up to me and saying 'can we do an extra ten minutes working on this' and I always like to see that.

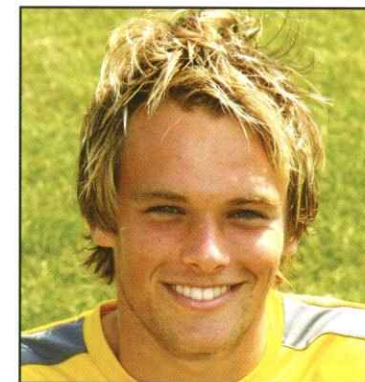
"I am having to pull them off the training pitch, which is what I want. I think that is a great attitude to have. Technically over the last five months everyone of them has improved as a player immensely."

2007 also saw the Youth Department grow in stature with the appointment of full-time physiotherapist, an assistant and the move to Baldock, which has brought an extra dimension to the Club's Centre of Excellence.

And Cummins believes the new set-up that has been put in place will see the Club stand in good stead for the foreseeable future.

Cummins continued: "When I first came in I had a big look at the

department as a whole and my main aim was to get us the best facilities I



GOOD SEASON... Goalkeeper Ross Faulds

could in the region.

"We moved to Baldock and, as I have said before, it is a fantastic venue. I brought in Bob Hill and he has been tremendous for us. We also brought in Otilie Quise as a full time physiotherapist and that has helped as well.

"What I can say is that I am getting great feedback off the parents so from that side of things I think there has been tremendous development off the pitch, as well as on it. We are getting a structure that will help us in the future for years to come."

Cummins is now setting his sights ahead to 2008 and has targeted his main priority of getting 'one or two' of his players into the first-team squad.

The Youth boss is delighted that Ryan Charles has forced his way in Kevin Blackwell's first-team plans, but admits he would like to see some more given recognition.

"Everyone is aware that the Club is going through a sticky time at the moment and it looks like we may lose a few players in the January transfer window.

"I have spoken to the kids and told them that this is a great opportunity for them, if they continue to work hard.

"Ryan Charles has had a little taste of it already and I think he might get another chance come January.

"The lads are aware of what is going on so they are getting their heads down, working hard and getting on with it.

"I'm now just trying to look on building what we already have in place during 2008, but the main aim is to get some players knocking on the first team door."

## Under-18 results, fixtures and table

August				November				February			
Sat 18	Southend	D 3-3		Fri 2	Leyton Orient (FA)	W2-1		Sat 12	Gillingham	11am	
Sat 1	QPR	D 1-1		Sat 10	Brentford	W2-0		Sat 19	Peterborough	11am	
Sat 8	Colchester	W 3-0		Sat 17	Northampton	P-P		Sat 9	Brighton	11am	
Sat 15	Plymouth (PY)	L 5-2		Wed 21	Corby Town (FA)	W4-1		Sat 16	Southend	11am	
Sat 22	QPR (PY)	W 2-1		Sat 24	QPR (PY)	L 2-0		Sat 1	QPR	11am	
Sat 29	B'mouth (PY)	W 2-1		Sat 1	Barnet	W 3-1		Sat 8	Colchester	11am	
October				Wed 5	Leeds (FA)	L 3-0		Sat 15	Brentford	11am	
Sat 6	Brentford (PY)	W 3-1		Sat 8	Rushden & D	W 1-0		Sat 29	Northampton	11am	
Sat 13	Barnet (PY)	W 2-1		Sat 15	Leyton Orient	L2-4		April			
Sat 20	Brighton (PY)	W1-0		January				Sat 5	Rushden	11am	
Sat 27	Swansea (PY)	D 1-1		Sat 5	Wycombe	11am		Sat 19	Barnet	11am	
Appearances				Leading scorers							
Ross Faulds	16	Dean Hamilton	10 (6)	Oliver Cleaver	2 (2)	Ryan Charles	8	Pld	W	D	L
Jake Howells	15 (2)	Scott Sinclair	9 (3)	Ben Strang	2	Ashley Harrison-Barker	5	7	4	2	1
Elliott Osborne-Ricketts	15 (1)	Ashley Harrison-Barker	9 (2)	Dave Pilgram	2	Mark Farthing	3	6	2	0	25
George Beavan	15	Joe Selby	5 (2)	Joshua Cranwell	1 (5)	Scott Sinclair	3	3	2	1	15
Ryan Charles	14	Matthew Maitland	5 (1)	Ashley Deeney	1 (5)	Elliott Osborne-Ricketts	2	3	0	5	9
Mark Farthing	13 (3)	Richard Owusu	4 (1)	Nathaniel Taylor	1 (1)	Jake Howells	2	3	0	3	10
Harry Hogarth	13 (2)	Billy Greulish	4 (1)	Aaron Fletcher	1	Loren Maxwell	2	2	2	2	9
Jamie McGuinness	12 (1)	Loren Maxwell	4	Dean Hitchcock	1			2	2	2	6
Riccardo Biggi	11 (3)	Adam Watkins	3 (7)					7	2	1	4

The current teams who are founder members of the Luton Town Partnership Club scheme are as follows:

Club Name	Number of Teams	Number of Players
a.. AFC Kempston Colts	16	240
b.. AFC Shillington	8	120
c.. Crawley Green FC	27	405
d.. Dunstable Town	10	150
e.. H.R. Hatters	1	15
f.. Houghton Athletic	3	45
g.. Luton Dynamos	1	15
h.. Luton Town Ladies	5	75
i.. Luton United	6	90
j.. Maulden Magpies	3	45
k.. Pottton Lower School	3	45
l.. St Joseph Youth	11	165
m.. Studham & Kensworth	1	15
n.. Warden Hill Tigers	5	75
o.. Wheatsheaf, Flitwick	1	15
Totals	101	1515





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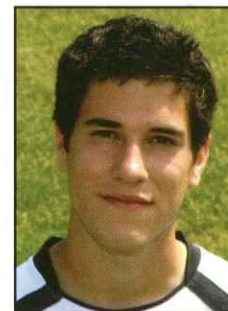
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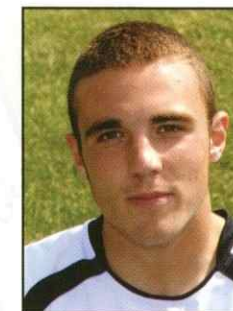
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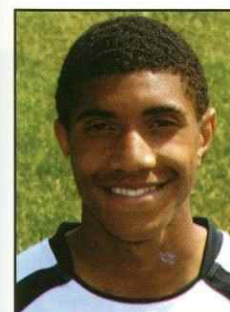
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## CHANGING FACE

STUART SMITH gives us the latest news from the Community Department



## Luton Town F.C.

### The Hatters Cup 2

We are set for the start of Hatters Cup 2 and we want to invite your club to become part of England's most prestigious 6-A-Side Tournament.

2007 saw the inaugural Hatters Cup with 150 teams from 17 counties competing in seven age groups.

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- All the games are in the stadium at Kenilworth Road.
- All teams are guaranteed a minimum of five matches
- The event is six-a-side and you can bring up to ten players in each squad.
- There are cups and medals for the winners and runners up.

#### INTRODUCTION

Kenilworth Road has seen some great players and some amazing matches in the 103 years since Luton Town first played there in 1905.

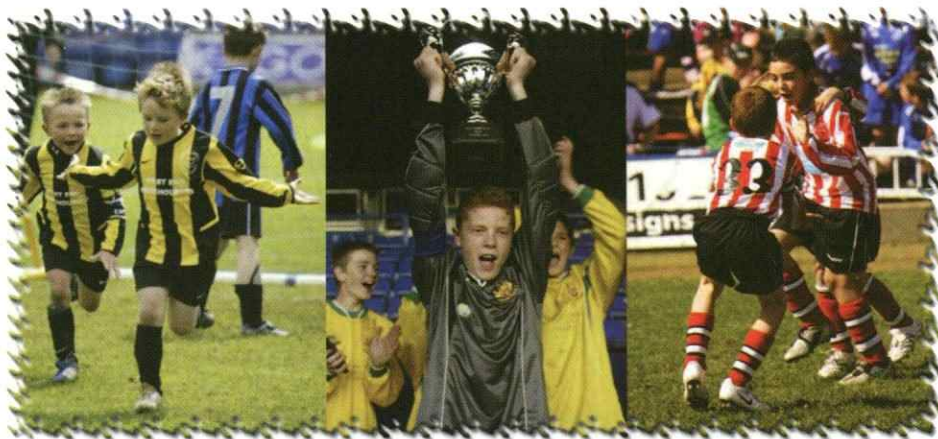
Does your team want to follow in the footsteps of the following?

- Steven Gerrard and Xabi Alonso scoring amazing goals as Liverpool fought back from 3-1 down to win an amazing FA Cup game in 2006.
- Scott Oakes scoring a hat-trick as Luton beat West Ham in the FA Cup Quarter Finals in 1994.
- Mike Newell's hat-trick against the reigning champions Liverpool as Luton Town won 4-1 in 1986.
- George Best, Bobby Moore And Rodney Marsh starring for Fulham in 1976.
- Joe Payne scoring a record 10 goals in one game against Bristol Rovers in 1936.

#### THE PRO SECTION

Reacting on feedback from previous competitors, we have introduced a Pro Section on Bank Holiday Monday 26 May. The Pro Section is a great opportunity to test your team against other great sides and is open to the following:

- 1) Squads associated with Academies and Centres of Excellences at Professional Clubs.
- 2) Squads that have finished in the top two of their league's top division or that have won their league's cup competition in 2006/07.
- 3) Squads that are on target to finish in the top two of their league's top division in 2007/08.
- 4) "Select" squads associated with privately run coaching programmes.
- 5) Previous winners of the Hatters Cup.



## OF FOOTBALL IN THE COMMUNITY

#### DATES

<b>Saturday May 24, 2008 -</b>	Under 8
	Under 10
	Under 12
	Under 14
<b>Sunday May 25, 2008 -</b>	Under 9
	Under 11
	Under 13
	Under 15
<b>Monday May 26, 2008 -</b>	Pro Section

#### ENTRY FEES

- 1 Team - £60 per Team
- 2-5 Teams - £55 per Team
- 5+ Teams - £50 per Team

Places are limited so book early!

Booking details

The Hatters Cup is managed by Football in the Community, therefore please ensure any cheques / correspondence is made out to:

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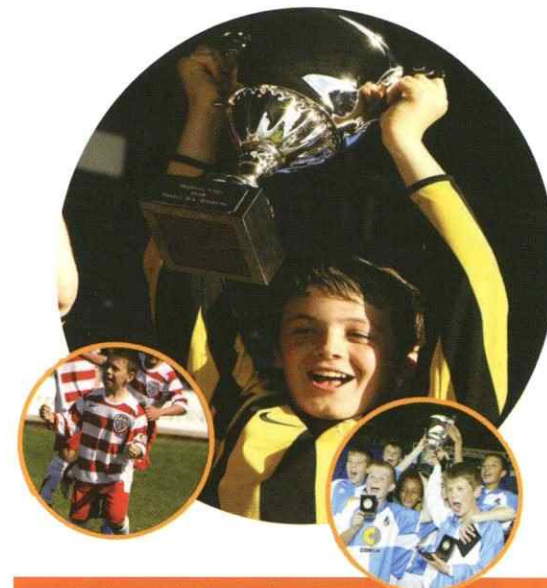
Closing date for applications is Friday April 6th 2008.

We are unable to confirm bookings until after the closing date.

All bookings will be confirmed in writing by 27th April 2008. Please note, in compliance with FA Regulations, teams entering age groups Under 11 and below can include both boys and girls in their squads if they wish.

You can enter the same team in the Hatters Cup AND the Pro Section.

The Under 8 Tournament IS competitive.



## Roll of Honour

The following clubs are on the Roll of Honour from The Hatters Cup 2007

Under 8		
Winners	Woodgate Warriors	Birmingham
Runners-Up	Luton Borough	Bedfordshire
Under 9		
Winners	Upminster Park	Essex
Runners-Up	Shire Oak Lions	Staffordshire
Under 10		
Winners	Bristol Rovers	Gloucs
Runners-Up	Aylestone Park	Leics
Under 11		
Winners	Knebworth Youth	Hertfordshire
Runners-Up	Welwyn Pegasus	Hertfordshire
Under 12		
Winners	Lea Sports Pirton	Hertfordshire
Runners-Up	Priory Parkside	Cambs
Under 13		
Winners	Gas FC	Surrey
Runners-Up	Wythall Juniors	Birmingham
Under 14		
Winners	Hitchin Town	Hertfordshire
Runners-Up	GNG Tigers	Bedfordshire



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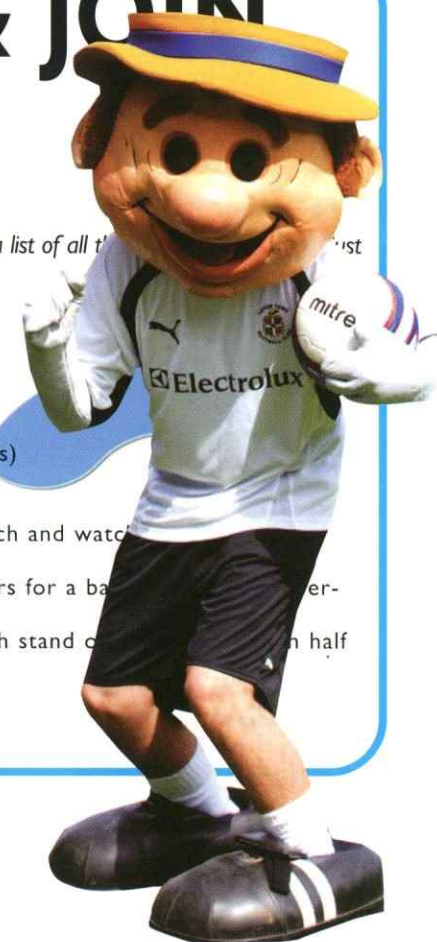
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- \* Vote for the Young Supporters' Player Of The Year



## TODAY'S MASCOT

Name: Joel Sorby  
 Age: 11  
 School Attends: The Bluecoat School  
 Hobbies: Football, rugby and computer games  
 Favourite Player: Darren Currie  
 Where do you sit: Main Stand



## VISITING MASCOT

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GIRL TALK

## LUTON LADIES

DAVE BAKER reports on the latest action from the Luton Town Ladies



**UNDER-15 SQUAD...** Back Row, Nicola Henman, Serena Lawrence, Kate Harle, Stephanie Abbott, Tia Augustine, Helen Brown, Jade Doherty, Stephanie Anes  
Front Row, Lauren Bard, Leah Maddix, Clare Howe, Robyn Willfort, Lauren Dunn, Leanne Lizaitis, Candice Davies

### Luton Ladies look back at the successes over the last 12 months

Looking back over 2007 I would certainly regard the past 12 months as a success.

The first team put together a run of just three league defeats in the previous 15 months to climb into and establish the club in the top half of the third flight. And with the reserve squad gaining their third consecutive promotion we have a group of players developing who should be able to progress the club to further heights.

There were many highlights in 2007 including the visit of the FA Women's Cup to Luton and our subsequent attempt to get our hands on it for real. We reached the Third Round proper for the first time before narrowly losing out to a higher placed team.

In the league we defeated all the title contenders in the run capping off the season with an outstanding win in Cornwall over the League Champions Newquay.

This season there have been a few important additions to the squad that has brought us just a single league defeat

and the best defensive record in the division. However, the FA Cup run has left us with a potential fixture pile up which may hamper our title ambitions in the long term.

The Reserve squad has been rebuilt again following their promotion. This season will be one where we hope to consolidate our position prior to the arrival of more youth team players in the coming months.

The youth section now has a more solid base about it with teams playing at the highest possible standard in what is, without doubt, the strongest female youth league in the country.

Highlights in the past year include our youngest squad (now U11's) running Tottenham Hotspur all the way in both the league and cup gaining a pair of runners up medals.

The current Under-14 squad have almost completely rebuilt their team and play an exciting brand of football which has seen them take on teams from all over England including floodlit encounters.

Kettering Town have a 100% league record with a large positive goal difference. But an even first-half saw the sides level 2-2 at the break with Maisie Wyatt and Holly Sheridan as the Town's first-half scorers.

The second-half saw a rejuvenated Luton side appear as they upped the tempo and over ran their shocked opponents with a six goal second half salvo. Ollie Koranteng, Terri Petit and an own goal contributed to the scoring but Maisie Wyatt took the honours with a second-half hat-trick to total four for the match.

As we enter 2008 it is our Under-15 squad who look the more likely to achieve honours as they remain unbeaten from 12 games going into the second half of the season and are still in contention for cup success too.

There is still plenty to play for for all our squads and if there are any players of any age who want to become part of our future then please contact me by e-mail at [lutonbelles@hotmail.com](mailto:lutonbelles@hotmail.com)

Dave B



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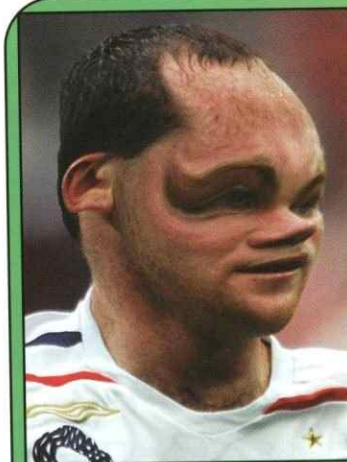
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## 10 to test you

1 ITALIAN striker Fabrizio Ravanelli played for which two English clubs?

2 WHO contested the last FA Cup final to be played at the old Wembley Stadium?

3 WHICH team got to the final of the European Cup in 1997 and 1998, but lost both times?

4 ROBERT Pires moved to Arsenal from which club?

5 WHICH club is known as the Quakers?

6 WHO was picked as England captain following Alan Shearer's retirement?

7 AT which club was Paul Ince the manager of before moving to MK Dons?

8 WHICH club play their home games at Sincil Bank?

9 SCOTTISH Premier League side Gretna currently share which football ground to play their home matches?

10 WITH which club did Niall Quinn play for before retiring?



Question 1



Question 8



Question 10



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## \* LETTERS PLAY \*

CAN you unjumble these letters to find the name of:

- 1 a Luton player,
- 2 a team's nickname,
- 3 a Premiership manager,
- 4 a League One ground and
- 5 a Luton Town legend.

1 BONE INVESTORS

2 DRIVERS RISE

3 A STAGE RETHOUGHT

4 A DOLLAR DEN

5 ENJOY PEA

All answers on Page 69







# THE A-Z

ROGER WASH looks at every post-war

## Harold Raymond (Ray) SMITH

Hull born Ray joined his local side from school before signing professional forms in August 1952.

A speedy winger or inside-forward, Ray made only 23 League appearances in four years at Boothferry Park before dropping down to then non-League Peterborough for regular first team football. At Posh, Ray helped the club to four Midland League titles before the inevitable elevation to the Football League in 1960. He continued to star as Peterborough swept all before them but was then surprisingly transferred to Northampton in 1962 where he was less successful.

His last move was to Luton in October 1963 but he could manage only ten starts in a poor Hatters side. Ray now lives back in Hull in retirement.

## Raymond (Ray) Scorer SMITH

With a middle name such as this Ray could only have been a footballer but perversely only netted once during his Football League career!

After turning out for Evenwood Town, Ray was spotted by Luton and came to Kenilworth Road in 1950. A rugged, tough tackling wing-half, Ray made his League debut at Doncaster in 1951/52 and made his second appearance for the Hatters a year later on the same ground. After only 12 appearances in seven years, Ray accepted a move to Southend in 1957 where he earned a regular place in the side. A spell at Hastings followed before he hung up his boots.

Ray worked in Luton until retirement and still lives in the town.

## Timothy (Tim) Carl SMITH

Spotted by Luton while playing schoolboy football in his home town of Gloucester, Tim signed apprentice forms for the Hatters before being offered a full-time contract in May 1976. An enthusiastic midfielder, 17 year old Tim won his first taste of League football when coming on as substitute for Ricky Hill during a 1-3 defeat at Hull in August 1976. He did not disgrace himself but had to wait until the opening day of the following season for his second chance, at home to Orient. The Town were struggling for bodies with several established first team players still playing in the USA's extended season. This gave Tim his opportunity but when the missing players returned he was relegated back to the reserves.

Tim returned to Gloucester in 1978 and is still living in the city.

## Efetobore (Efe) SODJE

Quick and powerful defender Efe first came to prominence at Stevenage before moving to Macclesfield for a fee of £30,000 in 1997. He scored on his debut for his new club, in a game which marked the Silkmen's first in the Football League. Famous for wearing a bandanna bearing the words 'Against All Odds', Nigerian international Efe subsequently turned out for seven League clubs and is currently on the books of Gillingham. During his travels around the Football League, Efe joined the Hatters in 1999 but quickly incurred the wrath of manager Lennie Lawrence after failing to keep in touch whilst away with his country for the African Cup of Nations.

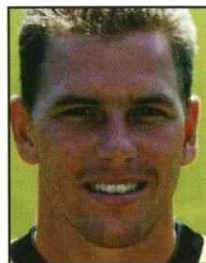
## Juergen Peterson SOMMER

Son of a former SV Hamburg player, giant goalkeeper Juergen was brought up in the USA before approaching Luton Town for a trial in 1991 which was successful.

After biding his time behind Alec Chamberlain and Andy Petterson, and moving out on loan to Brighton and Torquay, Juergen finally made his Luton debut on the opening day of the 1993/94 campaign. He was then virtually ever present over the next two seasons as well as making his USA international debut, against England, along the way.

With Kelvin Davis waiting in the wings the Hatters felt able to accept a £600,000 bid from Premier League QPR in 1995 and while at Loftus Road he was able to add to his international caps given his higher profile.

After returning to the States in 1998, Juergen played for Columbus Crew and New England Revolution and is now goalkeeping coach for the national team.



# OF LUTON TOWN

player to have appeared for THE HATTERS in the Football League

## Hong Ying (Frank) SOO

One of the finest players of his generation Frank, of Chinese extraction, was playing for Prescott Cables when he was spotted by Stoke who signed him in 1933. Playing alongside the mercurial Stanley Matthews, the ball playing wing-half was on the verge of full international recognition when war broke out.

Throughout the war, Frank was a regular for England in unofficial internationals and guested for a variety of top clubs. When hostilities ceased he signed for Leicester but never settled, leading to Luton paying a record £4,000 for his services in July 1946.

A class act, Frank graced Kenilworth Road for two years before taking up a host of managerial and coaching positions in England, Italy, Sweden and Denmark.

Frank passed away in 1991 aged 76.



## Leslie (Les) SPENCER

Les was working in a newspaper office in his native Manchester when he pestered one of the sports reporters to get him a trial at Rochdale. After a few reserve outings, Les was plunged into the Rochdale first team and finished up as top scorer in his first full season.

Spotted by Luton scout George Martin when playing at Watford, Les signed on for the Hatters in 1960 in exchange for £4,000.

After a promising start at Kenilworth Road the talented inside-forward suffered a groin pain which was mis-diagnosed leading to septicemia and 18 months in plaster from neck to ankle and an abrupt end to his playing career.

After a testimonial game, which was the least the Town could do in the circumstances, Les returned to the newspaper office from where he started and still lives in Manchester.

## Martin Robin SPERRIN

Son of ex-Brentford star Billy, Martin was plying his trade with Edgware when Luton scouts invited him and team mate Brian Stein to Kenilworth Road.

A matter of weeks later, inside-forward Martin was appearing at Old Trafford in a League Cup second replay against Manchester City. His League debut came later in that 1977/78 season in a home clash with Sunderland but by that time manager Harry Haslam had been replaced by David Pleat who wanted his own men in the side.

Martin left Luton for Barry Fry's Barnet before working his way through Hertfordshire sides Bishops Cleeve, Hertford and Ware.

A resident of Sawbridgeworth, Martin has been running a kitchen showroom for many years and includes Paul Price as one of his satisfied clients!

## Peter John SPIRING

After joining Bristol City from school, quick and powerful attacking midfielder Peter soon had the scouts flocking to Ashton Gate when he was moved up front and scored five goals in as many games.

This led to a £65,000 move to Bill Shankly's Liverpool in 1973 but the dream turned to disaster when a series of injuries left him still waiting for a League start. Luton manager Harry Haslam then rescued him in November 1974 but five games into his Hatters career he broke a toe when winning a penalty against future champions Derby which opened a space in the side for teenager Ron Fletcher.

Unable to win back a regular spot in the Luton side, Peter moved to Hereford where he made over 200 League appearances in a long and successful career. Peter still lives in Hereford where he is an electrical contractor.

## James (Jim) Alfred STANDEN

After joining Arsenal from Rickmansworth Town as a teenager in 1953, Jim had to wait patiently behind the consistent and injury free Welsh international Jack Kelsey in the Gunners goal.

A goalkeeping crisis at Luton led to the athletic shot-stopper moving to Kenilworth Road in 1960 but once England international Ron Baynham was fit again it was back to the reserves once more for a frustrated Jim.

A move to West Ham, again to cover for injury, was more to his liking as this time he kept his place and picked up FA Cup and European Cup-Winners Cup medals during his stay at Upton Park.

An accomplished county cricketer, Jim emigrated to the USA once he quit first-class sport and worked for a Honda car leasing firm in California until retirement.



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### THE STATISTICS

## SIMON'S STATS



SIMON PITTS finds some fascinating facts about 2007

**42** The number of league games played during the calendar year. Of these 20 were at Kenilworth Road, and 22 were away matches. Luton won and drew 10 matches, and lost 22.

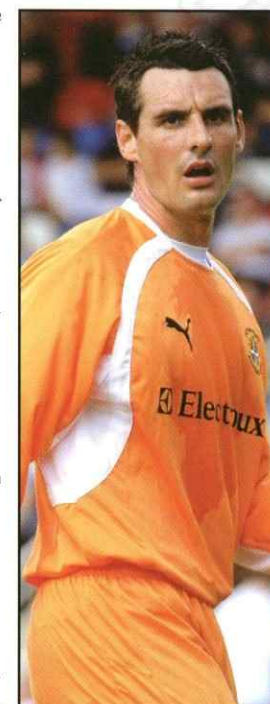
**107** The number of league goals scored in games that involved Luton Town. The Hatters hit 42 of these, with their opponents netting 60 times. At Kenilworth Road Luton scored 26 goals and conceded 31, whereas away from home it's just 16 goals scored and 29 conceded.

**23** The number of Luton players to have scored for the Hatters in 2007. Leading scorers are Matthew Spring and Paul Furlong, both with nine goals. Spring has six in the league, and three Cup goals, whereas Furlong has five and four. Spring does have the benefit of being the penalty taker of course, and 6 of his goals have come from the spot.

**10,260** The biggest attendance seen at Kenilworth Road in 2007, for the visit of Sunderland on the final game of last season.

**2,532** The smallest attendance of the year for the visit of Northampton Town in the Johnstone's Paint Trophy competition. Don Hutchison and Paul Peschisolido scored the goals in a 2-0 victory. This isn't however the lowest attendance in 2007. When Luton travelled to Gillingham in the same competition just 1417 fans bothered to go to the game, which Luton lost 4-3.

**12** The number of Cup matches played in 2007. Luton won seven of these, drew two and lost three times. Included in the victories were of course the matches against Premiership Sunderland, and Championship side Charlton Athletic. Both were beaten at Kenilworth



PENALTY KING... Matthew Spring

Road in the Carling Cup this season. The Hatters scored 20 goals, and conceded 14, with the biggest win, 3-0, coming against the Premiership side. Paul Furlong was the Luton hero with a brace after David Bell had opened the scoring.

**8** The number of clean sheets kept by Luton during the year. The four away games all ended in a goal-less stalemate, at Burnley, Stoke, Walsall and Yeovil. There were just two games at Kenilworth Road that ended 0-0, Cardiff City on 1st January and Carlisle back in November. The other two clean sheets were in 1-0 wins, against Southend and Tranmere, when Calvin Andrew and David Edwards were the goal-scorers.

**44** The number of players to have appeared for Luton during 2007. David Bell has the most appearances, 46, with 37 League and 9 Cup appearances. Dean Brill, Chris Coyne and Steve Robinson also have 9 Cup appearances, but Matthew Spring is the nearest to Bell's overall total, with 43, appearing 35 times in the League and 8 in the three Cup competitions.

**7** The number of penalties scored by the Hatters in 2007. Matthew Spring has scored six of these with David Bell netting the other, at Queens Park Rangers in April. Spring has netted four times at home in the league, and twice away in Cup competitions.

**4** The most number of goals scored by Luton in one match during 2007. Northampton Town were the visitors on 15th October, and Darren Currie opened the scoring with a terrific strike. This was matched by Northampton's Bradley Johnson who equalised in the first half. After the interval Luton took full control of the game. First Matthew Spring converted a penalty after a Northampton player handled, and then Paul Furlong got on the end of a Currie free kick to extend the lead. Furlong was brought down in the area and Spring converted his second from the spot, late in the game. This was the first time the Hatters had scored four goals since beating Leeds 5-1 back in October 2006.



HIGH SCORER... Paul Furlong







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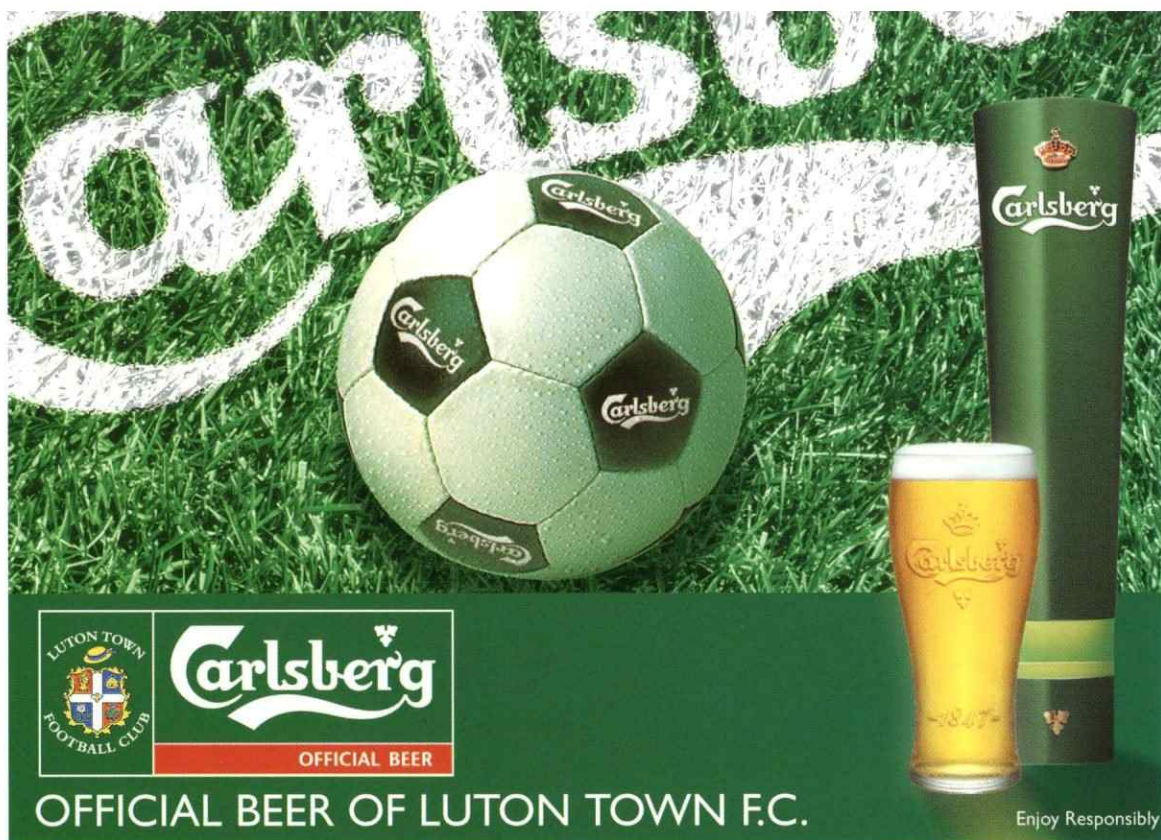
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LUTON TRAVEL

## ON THE ROAD



Leyton Orient v Luton Town  
Saturday January 19, kick-off 3pm  
Leyton Orient's Matchroom Stadium

**Address:** Matchroom Stadium, Brisbane Road, Leyton, London, E10 5NF

**Road:** Stay on the M25 towards London. When you reach the M11 take the southbound carriageway for about 6 miles and then take the right fork signposted for the North Circular. At the bottom of the flyover where the roads merge, move into the left-hand lane and turn left at the roundabout on to the A104. After about 1 mile at the next roundabout take the right exit. Half a mile further on, turn left into Leyton Green Road (signposted to Leyton and Stratford), and left again into a short slip-road past the bus garage entrance

and left into Leyton High Road - you'll see the Leyton Leisure Lagoon opposite as you wait to make the turn. Continue until you see the floodlights.

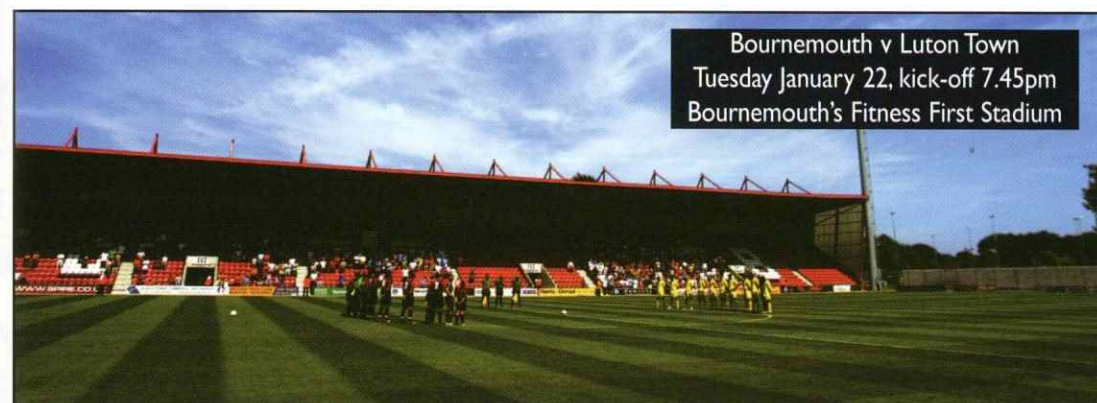
**Parking:** Street Parking.

**Pubs:** The nearest pub to the ground is the Coach & Horses. To get there take a right out of Leyton station and walk down for about half-a-mile. It is on your left, within sight of the floodlights.

**Town on Tour** will be leaving Maple Road at 12noon. The fare for LTSC members is £10, concessions £9 and non-members £12. 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](http://www.lutontown.co.uk) or via [www.lutontownsc.co.uk](http://www.lutontownsc.co.uk)

**The Bobbers Travel Club** will depart from Cranfield at 11am and Luton at 12noon. 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.



Bournemouth v Luton Town  
Tuesday January 22, kick-off 7.45pm  
Bournemouth's Fitness First Stadium

**Address:** Fitness First Stadium, Dean Court, Kings Park, Bournemouth, Dorset, BH7 7AF

**Road:** Follow the A338 towards Bournemouth. The ground is situated on the left of the A338 in the outskirts of Bournemouth. If you keep looking up to the left as you go into Bournemouth you will eventually see the tops of the ground floodlights. At this point take the next exit off the A338 and turn left towards the ground.

**Parking:** There is a large car park located at the ground. Alternatively, there is a council run car park, on the opposite

side of the dual carriageway.

**Pubs:** There is a bar behind the Main Stand, called the Cherry Tree, which welcomes away supporters to its downstairs bar. There is also a pub called the Queens Park, that is popular with both home and away fans. To find this pub walk along the road going from the main entrance. At the end of the road turn left and the pub is a little way up on the left.

**Town on Tour:** will be leaving Maple Road at 10am. The fare for LTSC members is £16, concessions £14 and non-members £18. To book seats for this

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**The Bobbers Travel Club:** will depart from Cranfield at 9am and Luton at 10am. Cost for this trip is £16 adults and £13 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.





In the event of a draw today's game, replay tickets would be available immediately after the match from the Ticket Office and the following details would apply:

## LIVERPOOL v LUTON TOWN

**Tuesday January 15, 2008 FA Cup Third Round Replay 8pm**

The initial allocation would be 3000 tickets.

Due to the limited time available, tickets would go on GENERAL SALE immediately after today's game from the Ticket Office in Kenilworth Road.

Tickets would remain on sale until 5pm Monday December 14. (subject to availability)

Ticket prices would be as follows:

Adults £24, Concessions (over 65) £18, Adult and Junior (£36)  
(Wheelchair and ambulant disabled tickets are also available. Please contact the Ticket Office for further details)



## LUTON TOWN v SWANSEA

**Saturday January 12, 2008 League One 3pm**

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

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



## LEYTON ORIENT v LUTON TOWN

**Saturday January 19, 2008 League One 3pm**

This is an **ALL TICKET GAME** for all supporters.

Tickets will not be available on the day of the game.

Tickets are now on sale from the Ticket Office.

We have received an initial allocation of 1000 tickets.

**TICKET PRICES:** Tickets will be priced as followed:  
Adults £20, Concessions (over 65, students, under-16,) £13



## TICKET OFFICE OPENING HOURS

Monday-Friday ..... 10am - 5pm

Home Matchday Saturday ..... 9am - 3pm

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Friday before a home match ..... 10am - 6pm

Non home matchday Saturday ..... 9am - 12pm

## TICKET OFFICE



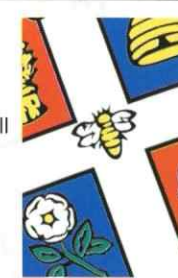
## BOURNEMOUTH v LUTON TOWN

**Tuesday January 22, 2008 League One 7.45pm**

We are currently awaiting tickets. Once these have been received, they will be available from the Ticket Office.

We will receive an initial allocation of 500 tickets.

**TICKET PRICES:** Tickets will be priced as followed:  
Adults £18, Seniors (over 65), Students (NUS must be shown at the turnstiles) and Juniors (under 16) £8.50



## LUTON TOWN v LEEDS

**Saturday January 26, 2008 League One 3pm**

This is an **ALL TICKET GAME** for all supporters.

Tickets will not be available on the day of the game.

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

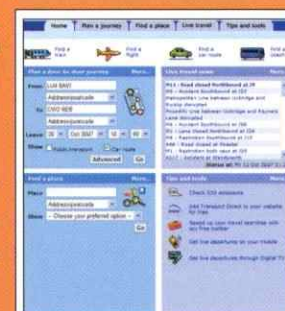


## GET DOOR-TO-DOOR DIRECTIONS

NEVER get lost going to an away game again... you can get door-to-door directions for any match from your house to the stadium on the Official Luton Website.

Click on the **Match** tab at the top of the Home Page, choose **Route Planner** from the drop-down menu and follow our 1-2-3 guide.

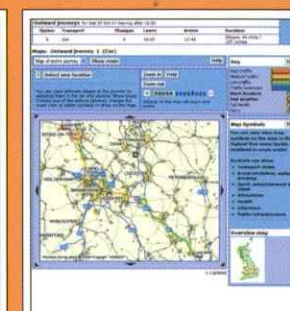
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● For more travel news, including away teams' postcodes, see Page 65.



**1** Just type your own postcode into the **From** box, and the away team's postcode into the **To** box. Choose the date and time you will be leaving, then tick the **Car Route** box and click **Go**.



**2** You are shown an overview of the journey, including how long it will take. Click **Details** at the top and you get full directions from your house to the away ground (or anywhere else you choose).



**3** Click **Maps** at the top and you get a map of your trip showing where traffic may be heavy. You can zoom in to different parts, print the map and directions and you're on your way.

For further ticket information for future matches log onto the Hatters official website, [www.lutontown.co.uk](http://www.lutontown.co.uk)



## LATEST COCA-COLA LEAGUE ONE TABLE

	HOME							AWAY						
	P	W	D	L	F	A	W	D	L	F	A	Gd	Pts	
Swansea City	22	7	3	2	20	9	6	2	2	21	11	+21	44	
Nottm Forest	23	7	4	1	21	7	4	4	3	14	9	+19	41	
Carlisle	22	8	1	1	20	5	3	5	4	15	17	+13	39	
Doncaster	24	6	3	3	19	10	4	5	3	18	14	+13	38	
Leeds United*	24	10	1	1	26	8	6	3	3	18	13	+23	37	
Walsall	24	4	5	3	14	11	5	5	2	14	9	+8	37	
Leyton Orient	24	5	4	3	14	15	5	3	4	16	17	-2	37	
Yeovil Town	24	6	2	4	14	13	4	3	5	10	12	-1	35	
Tranmere	24	6	3	3	17	9	3	4	5	11	14	+5	34	
Brighton	23	5	3	3	18	14	4	3	5	12	13	+3	33	
Southend	24	6	1	5	20	13	4	2	6	13	21	-1	33	
Swindon Town	23	6	3	3	19	12	2	4	5	12	17	+2	31	
Oldham	23	2	4	5	8	12	6	3	3	17	11	+2	31	
Huddersfield	24	5	3	4	16	13	4	0	8	8	25	-14	30	
Hartlepool	24	5	5	2	20	12	3	0	9	14	22	0	29	
Northampton	24	5	3	4	18	13	2	4	6	12	22	-5	28	
Crewe	24	6	2	4	16	17	1	5	6	9	21	-13	28	
Gillingham	23	6	4	2	19	13	1	2	8	6	24	-12	27	
Bristol Rovers	22	2	5	3	13	15	4	3	5	10	11	-3	26	
Millwall	23	6	1	5	19	14	1	4	6	6	19	-8	26	
Luton Town^	23	8	2	1	18	8	1	4	7	7	16	+1	23	
Cheltenham	23	4	5	3	11	13	1	1	9	7	22	-17	21	
Bournemouth	24	2	3	7	11	22	3	2	7	16	22	-17	20	
Port Vale	24	2	3	7	10	16	2	2	8	8	19	-17	17	

\*Leeds deducted 15 points

\*Luton deducted 10 points

does not include matches played on December 29, 2007

## 2007-08 APPEARANCES

	This Season								Luton Career	
	LEAGUE		CUPS		TOTAL		DISCIPLINARY		APPEARANCES	GOALS
	App	Gr	App	Gr	App	Gr	Yel	Red		
Ben ALNWICK	4	0	0	0	4	0	0	0	4	0
Calvin ANDREW	11(6)	2	4(3)	2	15(9)	4	2	0	42	6
David BELL	18	3	7	1	25	4	3	0	73	8
Dean BRILL	14	0	8	0	22	0	0	0	47	0
Ahmet BRKOVIC	0(1)	0	1(2)	0	1(3)	0	1	0	223	38
Chris COYNE	17	0	6	1	21	1	3	0	252	16
Darren CURRIE	16(4)	2	3(2)	0	19(6)	2	3	0	25	2
Sol DAVIS	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	184	2
Dave EDWARDS	17(1)	4	6	0	23(1)	2	1	0	24	4
Lewis EMANUEL	0	0	2	0	2	0	0	0	44	2
Jaroslav FOJUT	15(1)	2	7	1	22(1)	3	2	0	23	3
David FORDE	5	0	1	0	6	0	0	0	6	0
Paul FURLONG	15(3)	5	5(1)	4	19(3)	9	5	1	22	9
Alan GOODALL	18	1	4(1)	0	22(1)	1	3	1	23	1
Anthony GRANT	1(0)	0	0(1)	0	0(4)	0	2	0	5	0
Don HUTCHISON	3(5)	0	4	1	7(5)	0	2	0	12	1
Richard JACKSON	14(2)	0	7	0	21(2)	0	1	0	23	0
Kathy KEANE	5(1)	0	2(1)	0	7(1)	0	1	0	80	3
Richard LANGLEY	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	33	1
Paul McVEIGH	3(9)	0	2(5)	0	5(14)	0	1	0	19	0
Dean MORGAN	3(5)	0	3(2)	0	6(7)	0	1	0	93	11
Stephen O'LEARY	0	0	0(1)	0	0(1)	0	0	0	39	3
Sam PARKIN	0(1)	0	1	0	1(1)	0	0	0	10	1
Chris PERRY	22	1	8	0	30	1	7	0	30	1
Paul PESCHISOLDO	2(2)	0	1	1	3(2)	0	0	0	5	1
Steve ROBINSON	15(1)	0	6	1	19(1)	1	8	0	199	12
Matthew SPRING	22	5	8	3	30	8	5	0	334	39
Drew TALBOT	6(8)	0	3(4)	2	9(11)	1	0	0	36	4
Paul UNDERWOOD	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	72	5
Marc WILSON	4	0	0	0	4	0	1	0	4	0

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## RESULTS AND FIXTURES



## SUBSTITUTES

Date	Opponent	Venue	Score	Att	Away	Pos
Sat Aug 11	HARTLEPOOL UNITED H		2-1	8,013	608	3
Tue Aug 14	Dagenham & Redbridge (CCI) A		2-1	1,754	397	-
Sat Aug 18	Swindon Town	A	1-2	7,520	1,013	10
Sat Aug 25	GILLINGHAM H		3-1	6,178	508	4
Tues Aug 28	SUNDERLAND (CC2) H		3-0	4,401	787	-
Sat Sept 1	Leeds United	A	0-1	26,856	tb	7
Tues Sept 4	NORTHAMPTON (JPT1) H		2-0	2,532	373	-
Sat Sept 8	BRISTOL ROVERS H		1-2	6,131	564	11
Fri Sept 14	Tranmere Rovers	A	1-2	6,525	252	17
Sat Sept 22	PORT VALE H		2-1	6,084	138	13
Tues Sept 25	CHARLTON ATH (CC3) H		3-1 (aet)	4,534	776	-
Sat Sept 29	Huddersfield Town	A	0-2	9,028	543	16
Tue Oct 2	Yeovil Town	A	0-0	4,848	tb	17
Sat Oct 6	DONCASTER ROVERS H		1-1	6,513	472	17
Tue Oct 9	Gillingham (JPT2) A		3-4	1,417	101	-
Mon Oct 15	NORTHAMPTON TOWN H		4-1	5,881	420	14
Sat Oct 20	Crewe Alexandra	A	0-2	4,490	435	15
Sat Oct 27	NOTTINGHAM FOREST H		2-1	8,524	1,800	13
Wed Oct 31	EVERTON (CC4) H		0-1 (aet)	8,944	1,777	-
Sat Nov 3	Brighton	A	1-3	5,317	tb	15
Tue Nov 6	CARLISLE UNITED H		0-0	5,462	408	17
Sat Nov 10	BRENTFORD: FA Cup 1 H		1-1	4,167	789	-
Sat Nov 17	Walsall	A	0-0	5,056	510	17
Sat Nov 24	SOUTHEND UNITED H		1-0	6,820	690	21
Tues Nov 27	Brentford: FA Cup 1 Rep A		2-0	2,643	350	-
Tue Dec 4	Oldham Athletic	A	1-1	4,251	176	22
Tue Dec 11	NOTT'M F: FA Cup 2 H		1-0	5,758	1,013	-
Fri Dec 14	Cheltenham Town	A	0-1	3,702	355	23
Sat Dec 22	TRANMERE ROVERS H		1-0	6,070	235	22
Wed Dec 26	Bristol Rovers	A	1-1	7,556	413	23
Sat Dec 29	Port Vale	A	2-1	4,224	579	22
Tue Jan 1	YEOVIL TOWN H		1-0	6,811	392	21
Sun Jan 6	LIVERPOOL H		16-0			
Sat Jan 12	SWANSEA CITY H		15-00			
Sat Jan 19	Leyton Orient	A	15-00			
Tues Jan 22	Bournemouth	A	19-45			
Sat Jan 26	LEEDS UNITED H		15-00			
Tue Jan 29	SWINDON TOWN H		19-45			
Sat Feb 2	Hartlepool United	A	15-00			
Sat Feb 9	AFC BOURNEMOUTH H		15-00			
Tue Feb 12	Gillingham	A	19-45			
Sat Feb 16	LEYTON ORIENT H		15-00			
Fri Feb 22	Swansea City	A	19-45			
Tues Feb 26	MILLWALL H		19-45			
Sat Mar 1	WALSALL H		15-00			
Sat Mar 8	Southend United	A	15-00			
Tue Mar 11	Carlisle United	A	19-45			
Sat Mar 15	OLDHAM ATHLETIC H		15-00			
Sat Mar 22	CHELTHENHAM TOWN H		15-00			
Mon Mar 24	Millwall	A	15-00			
Sat Mar 29	CREWE ALEXNDRA H		15-00			
Sat Apr 5	Northampton Town	A	15-00			
Sat Apr 12	BRIGHTON H		15-00			
Sat Apr 19	Nottingham Forest	A	15-00			
Sat Apr 26	Doncaster Rovers	A	15-00			
Sat May 3	HUDDERSFIELD TOWN H		15-00			

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Brill	Jackson	Perry	Fojut	Emanuel	Edwards	Hutchison	SPRING	McVeigh	Andrew	FURLONG	Brkovic	Charles	Goodall	O'Leary	Talbot
Brill	Jackson	Perry	Fojut	Goodall	CURRIE	Hutchison	SPRING	Bell	Talbot	FURLONG	Andrew	Brkovic	Coyne	Edwards	Morgan
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**Sunday**  
**January 12, 2008**  
**League One**  
**Kick-Off 3pm**

## Luton Town v **SWANSEA CITY**

A quick glance at the League One table suggests that Swansea City are on the verge of great things this season.

Although nobody will be getting carried away at the Liberty Stadium, Swansea are clearly making an impression.

Many Swansea fans may have questioned the appointment of manager Roberto Martinez, who although was a fans favourite during his playing days at the Club, had little managerial experience.

But the Spaniard has certainly transformed Swansea's season and are making giant strides towards their first season in the second-tier of English football in over 20 years.

Going into this weekend's fixture Martinez's record at Swansea stands at 26 wins and just eight defeats from his 43 games in charge.

It's that impressive statistic that had Premiership side Wigan sniffing for his signature following the dismissal of Chris Hutchings earlier in the season.

But Swansea are determined to keep hold of their man and fans are certainly feeling the excitement around their Club at the present time.

Over 19,000 fans packed the Liberty Stadium to see Swansea edge past Leeds United in a five-goal thriller recently and Swans fans have continued to fill out their stadium on a regular basis.

The Welsh club has been impressive form in recent weeks, going nine games unbeaten and has one of the best away records in League One.

Jason Scotland has played a large part in Swansea's success this season. He has fired 13 goals this season, and has become a huge favourite at the Club.

Andy Robinson, the former Tranmere player, has notched up seven goals from midfield, whilst Paul Anderson has banged home the same amount, including scoring four times in consecutive games.

In defence, Marcos Painter has been a consistent member at the back, whilst goalkeeper Dorus De Vries had made the number one spot his own since his arrival from Dunfermline.

Luton and Swansea have produced some classic encounters in past matches, including the Hatters winning a 5-3 encounter in the same season when Swansea won 4-0 at the Vetch Field.

Luton's most recent memory of an encounter against Swansea came in the Football League Trophy when two late goals, scored by Kevin Nugent and Sam Ricketts, knocked them out of the competition.

With Luton looking to maintain their impressive home form this season and Swansea boasting the best away record in the division, this has the makings of a mouth-watering encounter.



## Head 2 head

	Luton	Draw	Swansea
League	20	11	15
FA Cup	1	0	0
League Cup	0	0	1
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>21 (44%)</b>	<b>11 (23%)</b>	<b>16 (33%)</b>

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# The line-ups

## Luton Town

**Manager:** Kevin Blackwell

**Colours:** White shirts, black shorts

	Pl	Sc
1 Dean Brill	■	■
3 Alan Goodall	■	■
4 Don Hutchison	■	■
5 Chris Perry	■	■
6 Chris Coyne	■	■
7 Dean Morgan	■	■
8 David Bell	■	■
9 Sam Parkin	■	■
10 Darren Currie	■	■
11 Paul Peschisolido	■	■
12 Richard Jackson	■	■
14 Steve Robinson	■	■
15 Stephen O'Leary	■	■
16 David Edwards	■	■
17 Lewis Emanuel	■	■
18 Ahmet Brkovic	■	■
19 Drew Talbot	■	■
20 Calvin Andrew	■	■
21 Keith Keane	■	■
22 Richard Langley	■	■
24 Paul Underwood	■	■
25 Matthew Spring	■	■
26 Sol Davis	■	■
28 Paul McVeigh	■	■
29 Paul Furlong	■	■
32 Ryan Charles	■	■

## Liverpool

**Manager:** Rafael Benitez

**Colours:** Red shirts and red shorts

	Pl	Sc
3 Steve Finnan	■	■
4 Sami Hyypia	■	■
5 Daniel Agger	■	■
6 John Arne Riise	■	■
7 Harry Kewell	■	■
8 Steven Gerrard	■	■
9 Fernando Torres	■	■
10 Andrei Voronin	■	■
11 Yossi Benayoun	■	■
12 Fabiano Aurelio	■	■
14 Xabi Alonso	■	■
15 Peter Crouch	■	■
16 Jermaine Pennant	■	■
17 Alvaro Arbeloa	■	■
18 Dirk Kuyt	■	■
19 Ryan Babel	■	■
20 Javier Mascherano	■	■
21 Lucas	■	■
22 Mohamed Sissoko	■	■
23 Jamie Carragher	■	■
25 Jose Reina	■	■
30 Charles-Hubert Itandje	■	■
33 Sebastian Leto	■	■
34 Miki Roque	■	■
35 Ray Putterill	■	■
38 Craig Lindfield	■	■
39 Stephen Darby	■	■
40 David Martin	■	■
42 Nabil El Zhar	■	■
46 Jack Hobbs	■	■
48 Emiliano Insua	■	■

## Hatters' last team

**Luton 1 Yeovil 0**



Goals: Andrew (48)

Subs: McVeigh for Currie (87),

Furlong for Talbot (89)

Not used: Hutchison, Jackson, Robinson

Spring

none

## Liverpool's last team

**Liverpool 1 Wigan 1**



Goals: Torres (49)

Subs: Benayoun for Kewell (74),

Crouch for Mascherano (84),

Kuyt for Pennant (86)

Not used: Riise, Itandje

Mascherano, Torres

none

## MATCH OFFICIALS

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Assistant : **M Matadar**

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