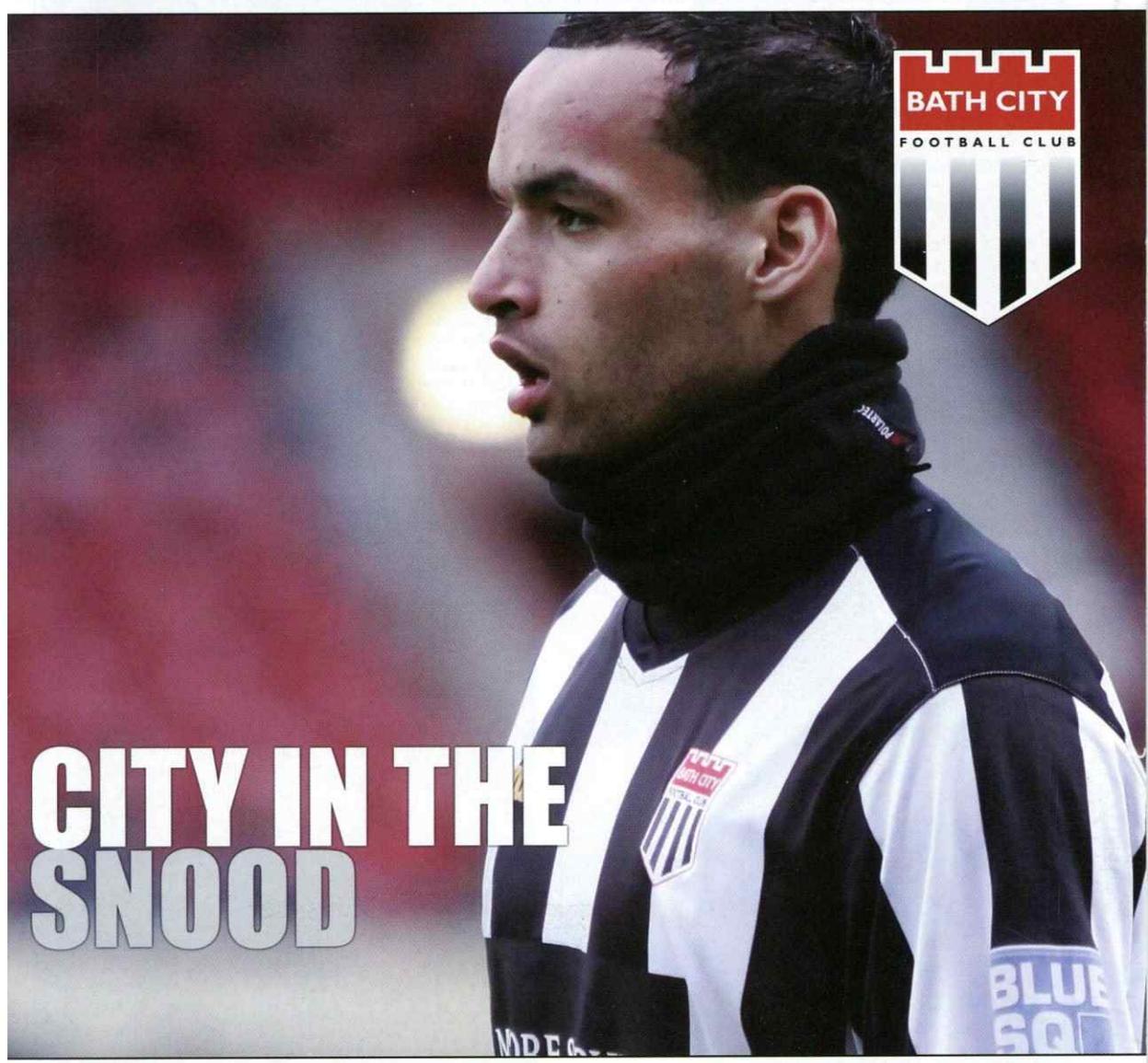


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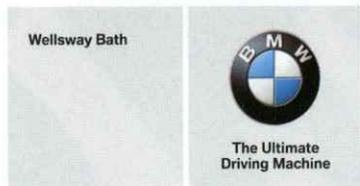
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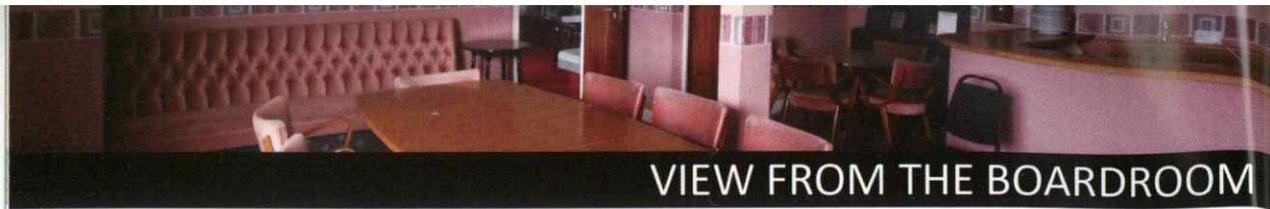
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VIEW FROM THE BOARDROOM



Geoff with captain, Jim Rollo

Good afternoon and a happy new year to all. Today our visitors are Luton Town and we especially welcome all their supporters, players and officials and wish them a safe journey back to Bedfordshire later on.

The last six seasons have been full of exhilaration and excitement with a number of notable milestones for the club. This afternoon is another of those milestones. When I became Chairman in 2005 if someone had told me that inside six seasons we would be staging a league fixture against Luton Town I would have suggested that whatever they were drinking they should certainly drink less of it. Luton was an established football league club who had recently been banging on the door of the Premier League. We were a Southern League club with a new management team and the ambition to play at the highest possible level. As our fortunes changed so did Luton's, together with some other Football League clubs. Last year our first three league fixtures of 2010 were Thurrock, Bishop Stortford and St Albans City. This year, it's Newport County, Wrexham and Luton Town.

This is the second meeting between the two sides this season and just two months ago we were privileged to be the opposition at Kenilworth Stadium on the day they

celebrated the 125th anniversary of their founding. Whilst we wanted them to enjoy their day it was not our intention to give them a three goal start before we started playing, but that was exactly what we did. The second half performance was a great deal more than just a spirited 45 minutes of football. We steadily pushed Luton back and after getting one back created more chances. From the reaction of the crowd I believe we proved to even the most committed home fan that we were worthy opposition on the day.

I don't think I can start 2011 without a look back at 2010. Ironically it started with a defeat after a long period of frozen grounds and ended in the same fashion. But sandwiched in between have been some of the most exciting moments that I can remember in my 50 years of supporting Bath City. In the early part of the year the steady progress up the league to a play-off position was enthralling. The semi-final against Chelmsford, initially edgy, but in the second leg full of authority and satisfaction. And of course the play-off final, ninety minutes of shredded nerves, calmed eventually with the exhilaration of probably the biggest win in the club's history.

In August a new season brought a new league with new and exciting opposition. On paper, many teams would expect to beat us, but as Rushden & Diamonds, Kidderminster Harriers, Cambridge United etc. will testify, football is not played on paper and the spirit and quality of football displayed on many occasions this season has proved that this Bath City squad should never be underestimated.

This team has played some of the best and most exciting football that I have seen for many years and a few goals would be candidates for 'goal

of the month' on 'Match of the Day'. Adie Harris, Hector Mackie, Alex Russell and Kaid Mohamed would all make the top 10.

In November we saw fantastic comebacks against Southport in the league and Histon in the FA trophy. Histon were also the opposition for another milestone moment in the club's history, our first appearance on live Broadcast Television for a league match. Work commitments meant I couldn't go to Histon, or even watch the match from the beginning. When I arrived at the club at 8.25pm I walked into Charlie's to find it packed with City fans. The atmosphere was fantastic and it got even better two minutes later when Sido smashed home to give City a 1-0 first half lead. And when Lee Phillips scored City's second, you could have heard the cheers in Histon. On several occasions the cameras cut to the City supporters who had made the long journey to Cambridgeshire. To say I was proud of them would be a massive understatement and I would like to thank them personally and on behalf of the club for the fantastic support they always give.

This club is blessed with some wonderful supporters and this was proved again in the final days of 2010 as we struggled against the recent snow and ice to play our game against Forest Green Rovers and gain some vital income. We appealed for volunteers and a large number turned up armed with all manner of tools to clear the terraces and pitch. I am sorry that illness prevented me from being there but I would like to say how personally grateful to them for their efforts. It may not have been rewarded with the result we would have all liked but it was still a fantastic 2010!

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All good things come to an end eventually and the defeat to Forest Green meant 2010 ended on a slightly downbeat note. However what a year 2010 was in the history of the club.

2011 looks like being an exciting year for the club and hopefully one where consolidation in the current league is achieved.

We at Moore Stephens have very much enjoyed the couple of months that we have been involved as sponsors of the club and are looking forward to the remainder of the season to see some good football and meet more supporters of the club.

January is a very busy month for the club with six matches including today's which mirrors our professional life as a result of the Self Assessment Tax Return deadline looming on the 31st. The month has also seen an increase in VAT on 4th

January to 20% and therefore making us all a little worse off. As a result of this we have seen an opportunity within the business community in Bath and have recruited Mark Chesham to the role of Director of VAT to help advise clients on how to minimise the amount of VAT paid to HM Revenue and Customs. We welcome him to the firm and he is also looking forward to seeing some football in Bath albeit he is an Arsenal fan.

Having missed the home game against Forest Green I am looking forward to seeing some football again after a long break since the last home match. Today's game is one of the biggest of the season against a team who are up challenging for automatic promotion and who have an illustrious 89 year league history being in the Championship only 5 years ago. Financial woes have

blighted Luton in the past with the administrators seemingly being a regular guest at the ground. We are pleased to be associated with a football club which has a stable financial base and directors who do not wish to put that in jeopardy. We have seen many failures over the past couple of years as finance dries up for football clubs and without the support of a wealthy sheikh then rapid progress is extremely difficult although if a tight ship is run then it is possible to have success and a stable financial position.

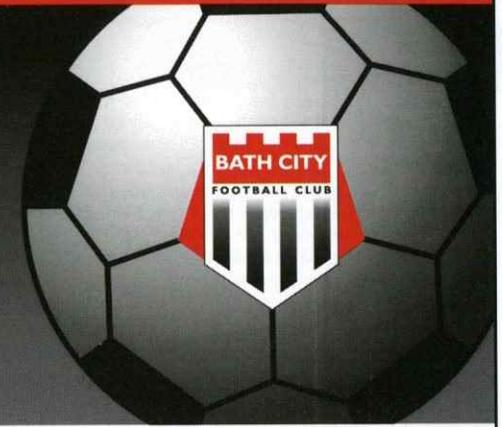
With both Luton and Bath at the top of the form chart based on recent results then the game today should be a great one to watch and a large crowd is expected. Hopefully this will spur the players on to their best performance of the season so far.

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Today we face a yo-yo club that became the first to be relegated three Divisions running out of the Football League, used to play on an artificial pitch and once saw their manager jig across Maine Road in scenes repeated for many years to come. It's **Luton Town FC**.

1885 - Luton Town Football Club was formed on 11 April 1885, the product of a merger of the two leading local teams, Luton Town Wanderers and Excelsior. Initially based at Dallow Lane ground, the club moved to Dunstable Road in 1897. In 1891, the club became the first club in southern England to be fully professional.

1905 - After a brief spell in the Football League following a few years in the Southern League, Luton move to Kenilworth Road. Two years later, Bob Hawkes became Luton's first international player when he turned out for England.

1916 - Despite being wounded during World War I, forward Ernie Simms nets 40 goals in a season in the London Combination.

1920 - The club rejoin the Football League, progressing through the leagues in the next few years.

1936 - Prolific striker Joe Payne scores 10 goals in a 12-0 victory over Bristol Rovers, which is still a Football League record.

1956 - Dally Duncan is in charge for one of the greatest eras in Luton Town's history, with International players galore plying their trade at Kenilworth Road. They are promoted to the Football League for the first time.

1959 - Luton lose 2-1 in the FA Cup Final to Nottingham Forest. Within six years though, they find themselves back in the fourth tier.

1970 - Malcolm Macdonald, who would go on to play for England, helps Luton to promotion with a number of goals during his spell at the club. With Eric Morcambe on the board, good times return and by 1974, they're back in the top flight. Relegation swiftly follows, but the club are promoted again in 1982 under David Pleat.

1983 - A final day win over Manchester City, The Hatters' goal arriving through Yugoslav Raddy Antic, secures survival and relegates City in the process. Pleat, in a brown suit, jigs across the pitch in joy, an iconic image which has been repeated several times.

1985 - The club install an artificial surface but in the same year, their match with Millwall is marred by the first televised pitch invasion. Such horrific scenes caused the then-chairman, Conservative MP David Evans, to ban visiting supporters to Kenilworth Road and introduce a scheme where home fans had to carry identity cards.

1987 - Arguably the best period in the club's history. The highest ever league position is achieved (seventh in the top flight) and a year later, Luton beat favourites Arsenal to lift the League Cup. With 10 minutes left Luton were 2-1 down, but a penalty save from Andy Dibble is followed by goals from Danny Wilson and Brian Stein to win the Cup. A year later they're beaten in the Final by Brian Clough's Nottingham Forest.

1992 - Luton's spell in the top flight ends as they're relegated to the second tier and in the same season, the club ditch the artificial pitch.

2002 - After dropping back through the divisions, Joe Kinnear bucks the trend and leads the club to the Third Division title. Despite his success, he is sacked a year later and replaced by Mike Newell, following a phone vote. The club enter administration.

2005 - Newell leads Luton back to the second tier (in the same season they lose 5-3 at home to Liverpool in the FA Cup after being 3-1 up) where they fight off financial problems and survive for two seasons, before he is replaced by Kevin Blackwell. In the same year, Luton sell Curtis Davies to West Brom for £3m - the club's record transfer fee received.

2008 - The Hatters hold Liverpool to a 1-1 draw in the FA Cup 3rd round before losing the replay 5-0. They are deducted 10 points for entering administration and Blackwell departs to join Sheffield United before Luton are relegated for a second successive year. In the summer of 2008, they are deducted an astonishing 30 points for various financial irregularities. This penalty proves too much as they finish bottom of the table, but win the Football League Trophy along the way.

2010 - Richard Money is appointed manager half-way through the season and a late run sees the club challenge Stevenage for the title. They eventually lose out and are beaten by York City in the play-offs, in a second leg marred by crowd trouble.

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The Luton Carnival, held on the late May Bank Holiday, is the largest one-day carnival in Europe.



The club go by the nickname "The Hatters" due to the hat making industry beginning in the town in the 17th century.



Lots of famous sportsmen were born in Luton, including double Ashes winner, Monty Panesar.



Football historian LEIGH EDWARDS looks at Luton Town's leading lights

FAB FOUR

BRUCE RIOCH

Influential midfielder Bruce Rioch was capped 24 times by Scotland after leaving Luton Town. Signing professional for Luton in September 1964, he starred in the 1967-68 Fourth Division title triumph and netted 46 goals in 149 League games prior to joining Aston Villa for £100,000 in July 1969. He was a key figure in their 1971-72 Third Division title success and moved to Derby County in February 1974, helping to win the League Championship in 1974-75. He played for Everton, Derby again and Torquay, since managing Middlesbrough, Millwall, Bolton Wanderers, Arsenal, Norwich City and Wigan Athletic.



RICKY HILL

England international midfielder Ricky Hill was 'Player of the Year' when Luton Town won the Second Division title in 1981-82. Signing professional at Kenilworth Road in May 1976, he was 'Player of the Year' again in 1982-83 and starred as Luton were FA Cup semi-finalists in 1984-85. He featured in two consecutive Littlewoods Cup finals including the 1988 Wembley triumph and netted 54 goals in 436 League games before moving to Le Havre in July 1989. Reuniting with David Pleat at Leicester City in August 1990 and later as a coach at Sheffield Wednesday and Spurs, he briefly rejoined Luton as manager.



BRIAN STEIN

England international striker Brian Stein scored twice in Luton Town's 1988 Littlewoods Cup final triumph. Moving to Kenilworth Road from Edgware Town in October 1977, he was leading marksman in Luton's 1981-82 Second Division success and also starred as they were FA Cup semi-finalists in 1984-85 and 1987-88. He joined French side Caen in July 1988 and moved via Annecy back to Luton in July 1991. Voted 'Player of the Year' for the second time in 1991-92, he netted 130 goals in 427 League games overall for the Hatters before joining Barnet in August 1992. His younger brother Mark also played for Luton.



MALCOLM MACDONALD

Ace marksman Malcolm Macdonald was capped 14 times by England after leaving Luton Town. Initially with Tonbridge, he joined Fulham in August 1968 and moved to Kenilworth Road in July 1969. He was Luton's top scorer in two consecutive seasons including the 1969-70 promotion success and netted 49 goals in 88 League games before being sold to Newcastle United for £180,000 in May 1971. An FA Cup finalist in 1974, he joined Arsenal for £333,000 in August 1976 and was an FA Cup finalist again in 1978 before injury ended his career. He managed Fulham and Huddersfield Town and has since worked in the media.



CLASSIC CAMPAIGN – 1987-88

Ray Harford plotted Luton Town's 1988 Littlewoods Cup final triumph. Danny Wilson replaced Peter Nicholas in midfield, while Micky Weir arrived from Hibernian and Mike Newell moved to Leicester. The Hatters won 5-2 at Oxford and Ian Allinson was signed from Stoke in October, with Luton losing just twice in 12 matches including a 7-4 win the return match against Oxford, finishing ninth in the top-flight. They defeated Wigan 5-2, Coventry 3-1, Ipswich 1-0, Bradford City 2-0 and Oxford 3-1 in the Littlewoods Cup before beating Arsenal 3-2 in the final. Luton were also FA Cup semi-finalists and Simod Cup finalists.

MANAGING TO SUCCEED – DAVID PLEAT

Articulate manager David Pleat guided Luton Town to the Second Division title in 1981-82. A former winger, he played for Nottingham Forest, Luton, Shrewsbury, Exeter and Peterborough before becoming Nuneaton's player-boss. He rejoined Luton as coach in July 1972 and became manager in January 1978, guiding the Hatters to the FA Cup semi-finals in 1984-85. Taking charge of Spurs in May 1986, he led them to the 1987 FA Cup final, then managed Leicester City before rejoining Luton in June 1991. He took the Hatters to the FA Cup semi-finals again in 1993-94, leaving in June 1995. Now working in the media.



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Mark Tyler - Goalkeeper
Hugely experienced goalkeeper who signed a two-year contract at Kenilworth Road in June 2009 following his release from Peterborough United. Mark made 483 appearances in 15 years at London Road and also had a loan spell at Bury.



Zdenek Kroca - Defender
Centre-half who made 169 league appearances in 10 years with hometown club Tescoma Zlin in his native Czech Republic. Last season the imposing 6ft 5in defender was in fine, commanding form, scoring four times in 27 league appearances with the Letná Stadium outfit as they finished in second place in the Czech second division - a position - like the Town last season - that was not enough to earn promotion.



George Pilkington - Defender
Highly experienced defender who joined the club on a free transfer in August 2008. Began his career as an Everton trainee, Pilkington joined Port Vale in June 2003, after a loan spell at Exeter City. Started 223 league games for the Valiants. Injury frustrated the centre-half in his first season at Kenilworth Road in 2008/09 but he still managed to pick-up a Johnstone's Paint Trophy winners' medal.



Dan Gleeson - Defender
Tall and athletic defender, primarily a right-back, Gleeson signed for the Hatters in the summer of 2010 from his hometown club Cambridge United. A product of the U's academy, Gleeson made his debut at 18 and soon became a regular at the Abbey Stadium making 61 league



appearances before Notts County snapped up his signature in 2006. Gleeson only lasted a season at Meadow Lane, featuring 17 times before he was back at the Abbey, firstly on-loan before resigning permanently in 2007.

Ed Asafu-Adjaye - Defender
Capable of playing in any position across defence, Asafu-Adjaye has made significant progress through the Club's youth set-up. Has enjoyed successful loan spells at Walton & Hersham and Salisbury City.



Shane Blackett - Defender
Luton-born Shane became Mick Harford's sixth summer signing of 2009 after penning a two-year contract at Kenilworth Road. Equally adept at centre-back or at left-back, Shane began his career with Dunstable Town before a switch to Arlesey Town in 2003. His form with the United Counties side alerted the attentions of Dagenham & Redbridge who signed the 6ft 3in defender in May 2004. Peterborough signed him in 2007 and he played 38 times for the London Road club.



Freddie Murray - Defender
Left-footed versatile defender who joined the Hatters on a six-month loan deal from Blue Square Premier side Grays Athletic in August 2009 and the deal was made permanent in January 2010. Previously with Northampton Town, Stevenage Borough and Cambridge United the Irishman began his career as a trainee with Blackburn Rovers.



Taylor Nathaniel - Defender
Versatile young defender who signed a professional contract with the Hatters in

June 2010 after impressing in the club's Under-18s. Capable of playing on either flank in defence or midfield.



Alex Lacey - Defender
Up-and-coming second year scholar who impressed Richard Money in the 2010 pre-season to earn a squad number. The centre-back made his first team debut as a 17-year-old in the FA Trophy first round tie against Welling, earning the man-of-the-match award for an excellent performance.

Pavel Besta - Midfielder
Besta began his career with his hometown side Banik Ostrava, and in a seven year period, helped them win the Czech league title in 2004 which led to appearances in the Champions League qualifying rounds. He joined the Hatters alongside fellow countryman Zdenek Kroca in August 2010 after a campaign in Slovakia with Ruzomberok.

Jake Howells - Midfielder
The young winger, who can also play at left-back, came through the ranks at Kenilworth Road and made his first team debut in May 2008. Now a regular in the side.



Godfrey Poku - Midfielder
Tenacious defensive midfielder who signed together with JJ O'Donnell from Blue Square South outfit St Albans City in January 2010 on an 18-month contract.

JJ O'Donnell - Midfielder
Tricky winger who joined the Town with St Albans team-mate Godfrey Poku in January 2010. Also capable of playing in attack the youngster featured for the Hatters' reserve and youth teams during 2009/10 but made his first team debut in October 2010.



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Claude Gnakpa - Midfielder
A versatile player capable of playing in midfield or defence, who joined on in August 2008 from Peterborough. Has also plied his trade across Europe with Montpellier HSC, Racing de Santander, Deportivo Alaves, FC Vaduz of Liechtenstein and Swindon Town.



Keith Keane - Midfielder
Having made his debut as a 16-year-old in November 2003, Keith has established himself as one of the star players in Luton's squad. Another product of the youth system who regularly appeared for the Republic of Ireland at schoolboy level.



Adam Newton - Midfielder
Ascot-born Adam signed in 2009 after agreeing a two-year contract at Kenilworth Road following his release from Brentford. Predominantly used as a right winger, the pacey wide man is equally as comfortable at right-back. Started at West Ham United before representing Peterborough nearly 250 times. A St Kitts and Nevis international, he has also spent time on-loan at Portsmouth, Notts County and Leyton Orient.



Andy Drury - Midfielder
Started his career at Sittingbourne before moving to Gravesend & Northfleet in 2003. Lewes snapped him up in 2006 before signing for Stevenage in 2008. Went on to win the Conference last year. Signed for the Hatters in 2010.



Adam Watkins - Midfielder
Young midfielder, capable of playing in

attack, who signed professional forms at Kenilworth Road in June 2010. A self-confessed Hatters fan, he made his first team bow in a 1-0 defeat at Southampton in the FA Cup third round in January 2010. He spent the tail end of the 2009/10 campaign on-loan at Arlesey Town.



Charlie Henry - Midfielder
Winger Henry signed from Blue Square Bet Premier rivals Newport County in November 2010, signing initially on-loan until January when the England C international will complete a permanent switch. Henry is no stranger to Kenilworth Road as he came through the youth ranks at the Club but was told he was too small to continue his scholarship and left when he was 15. Played for several other clubs including Havant & Waterlooville.

Alex Lawless - Midfielder
Former Wales Under-21 midfielder who signed in November 2010 initially on-loan from York City before a permanent deal goes through in January 2011. Began his career at Cardiff City before moving to Fulham. Failed to make an appearance with the Cottagers but was snapped up by Torquay United. Joined Forest Green Rovers in 2006 for a very successful 3 year spell before York signed him in 2009.

Matthew Barnes-Homer - Forward
Prolific striker who joined the Hatters from Kidderminster Harriers. An energetic talent, the front man began his career as a trainee at Wolves before going on to lead something of a nomadic life prior to finding his feet at Kidderminster. His other clubs include Aldershot Town, Hednesford Town, Bromsgrove Rovers, Tividale, Willenhall and Wycombe Wanderers.

Danny Crow - Forward
A nippy poacher of a striker, Crow joined the Hatters from Cambridge United in May 2010. The front man started his career as a trainee with



Norwich City and made his senior bow in the Premier League for the Canaries in December 2004. Went on to subsequently play for Northampton, Peterborough and Notts County.

Taiwo Atieno - Forward
Kenyan international striker Taiwo signed in March 2010 after returning to the UK after a spell playing in Puerto Rico and America. Starting his career as a scholar at Walsall he failed to make the breakthrough at the Bescot and was sent out on loan gain first team experience to a number of Football League sides. After failing to make the grade with the Saddlers he was snapped up by Tamworth and scored 12 goals in his first season with the Lambs before signing for the Puerto Rico Islanders in 2007.



Amari Morgan-Smith - Forward
Striker or wide man who arrived at Kenilworth Road as a free agent following a two-year spell at Ilkeston Town. Wolverhampton-born Morgan-Smith started his career as a trainee with Wolves. He then signed for Crewe and then Stockport where he made one Football League appearance before moving to Ilkeston.

Jason Walker - Forward
England C international striker signed in November 2010 from hometown club, Barrow. The striker began his career in Scotland with Dundee, coming through the ranks at Dens Park but, after four seasons without featuring, the youngster was snapped by Greenock Morton in 2004. Three years with the Ton followed before signing for Morecambe. Signed for Barrow in 2007.

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The Bath City Lotto has been expanding rapidly in recent weeks, but we still need to keep expanding a LOT more. It is impossible to underestimate the importance of a successful lottery to the club. Every member counts. To give you some perspective, if every person in Twerton Park today joined the Lotto, or started paying for an additional ticket, it would give the club more financial security than it has had for many years.

Our network of local shops and pubs that are acting as agents has grown from a handful to fourteen! Most of the new additions are in the Twerton/Southdown/Whiteway area where support for Bath City is strong.

Here is the full list of our Shop agents:
Adams Apple (Odd Down)
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Wedgwood Road Post Office (Whiteway)

Weston Fruit (Weston)
Stef's Groceries (Mount Road)
Maurden's News (Batheaston)
Central Stores (Marshfield)

And our pub agents:
The Golden Fleece (Lower Bristol Road)
The Old Crown (Twerton High Street)
The Full Moon (Twerton High Street)
The Centurion (Poolemead Road)
The Rising Sun (Lymore Road)

If you are a regular at any of these, please ask them for a form for the Bath City Lotto the next time you visit. Or, if your local shop or pub is not on this list and you think it should be let Ned Vaught on 07969 794568 or 01225 423087.

The Lotto also benefits from a network of individual agents as well who have a collection round in their neighbourhood or at work. This is a great way to support the club, have some fun with your friends, and earn a bit of extra money on the side.

If you would like to become an agent please call Ned Vaught on 07969 794568 or 01225 423087.

Bath City FC and Bath City Youth
Ties between Bath City FC and the Youth section continue to strengthen. Bath City Youth provides soccer for over 350 boys and girls of all ages and abilities from U6 to U16, girls and seniors. It is an FA Charter Standard club, providing FA qualified coaches for all age-groups, whilst maintaining child welfare and player enjoyment at its core. The whole organisation is run by volunteers.

Today's Half-Time Game
Today's half-time entertainment is provided by the Bath City Youth U10 mini-soccer team: a talented squad which won the Warminster Highbury tournament last summer, and was runner-up in a number of other events. With 4 players having represented Bath and Wiltshire schools, and 30 others developing their skills with dedication and enthusiasm, the U10s look forward to better weather and a great second half of the season.

VIEW FROM THE BOARDROOM

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2011 couldn't have started better. A New Year's Day victory at Newport was a win to be savoured. Monday's performance at Wrexham was far better than 0-2 suggests. We dominated long periods of the game (especially in the 2nd half) and right up to the 86th minute had every reason to think that we might get a point.

None of us should forget that this season is all about consolidation and making certain that we maintain our place in the top league of non league football. The first few weeks of the season were a stiff learning curve, but with some changes to the squad and the way we play, the results have started to come. We're now just over halfway through the season and to be in 13th position is a tremendous achievement when our resources are compared to other clubs. All credit to Adie, Arch and the players for the tremendous effort they have put in so far and I would like to

say how incredibly proud I am of all concerned.

Because of postponements these are my first programme notes for some time and I would like to record my appreciation of two players who have left the club in the last few months. Matt Coupe and Darren Edwards have both moved to Gloucester City and I would like to thank them for the tremendous contribution they have made to the club's success in recent years and hope they enjoy their football with a new club. Throughout Matt and Darren's time at the club there has been one player who has been ever present and that is, of course, our own captain fantastic, Jim Rollo. A few weeks ago, Jim made his 400th starting appearance for Bath City and on behalf of the club, I would like to pass on our sincere congratulations on this wonderful achievement.

Away from playing matters, the club has recently re-launched the City Sweep as Bath City Lotto. This competition

plays a massive role in supporting the player budget and making it a success is vital if we are going to be able to maintain our place in the premier division. So, if you're not a member yet, why not join up and encourage family and friends to also join. If you do, you will be making a real contribution to the club's future.

Finally, back to this afternoon's match. Luton together with Crawley, are the bookies' favourites to win promotion at the end of the season. In ten days' time we entertain Crawley and I am sure that the bookies would have both teams as odds-on favourites to each take three points away from Twerton Park. On paper they may be right, but as I said earlier football isn't played on paper.

Let's all get behind the team, with plenty of cheers and vocal support and look forward to another afternoon to remember.

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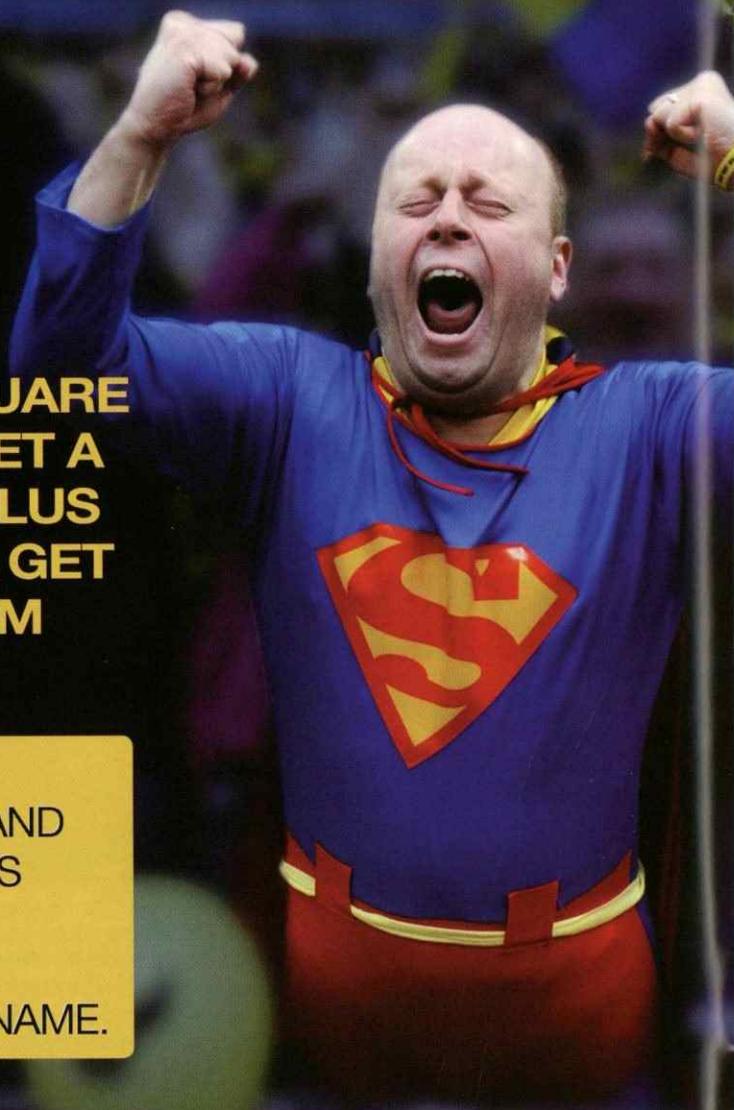


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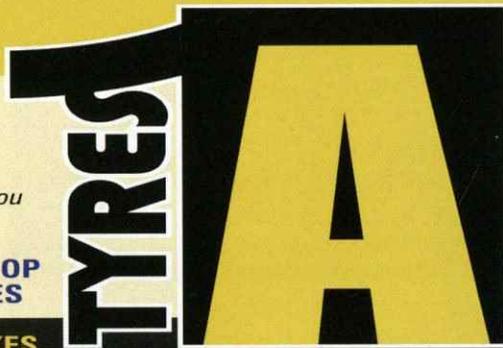
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Steve Abbot and Cerys Matthews

We are also privileged to be hosting former Catatonia lead singer Cerys Matthews (pictured) and her husband, Steve Abbott.

Steve and Cerys only got married yesterday so we wish them all the very best for the future. It is not every day we get celebrities celebrating their nuptials here! Steve is supporting Luton and the couple have stopped off in Bath on their

way to Heathrow to go on honeymoon.

They have brought many friends too, including best man, Stewart Robertson, so we trust they all will thoroughly enjoy their visit to Twerton Park.

Commercial Update



Come snow, rain or shine the Commercial Department keeps going! It's been difficult because of the weather and when Christmas was looming, but here we are in

2011, the team doing exceptionally well and all looking forward to a great four months ahead.

From my point of view the season doesn't end in April, I'm now starting to look at ways we can make good use of the facilities during the summer months, as always if you have any thoughts it's always good to hear them and, of course, by generating more revenue during this quiet period it will help the club greatly as we go into the new season. Now is the time to plan though.

On the note of events I'm keen to get a few things going on in Randall's before May. I have some ideas and will share these with you. I know many of you support the club in different ways and I hope you can support things this way too. It's always a tough one getting the right kind of event that not only the fans will support but the wider community, don't be worried about dropping me a line if you have an idea.

I think it's worth noting at this point that since our new sponsors have been on board we've lost only 2 games and those were the recent ones, the partners from Moore Stephens have been here for every match so far, they thoroughly enjoy themselves and especially like the songs from the Legion, keep it up!

Finally, a warm welcome to all our sponsors today.

All the very best for 2011 to everyone, good health and UP THE CITY.

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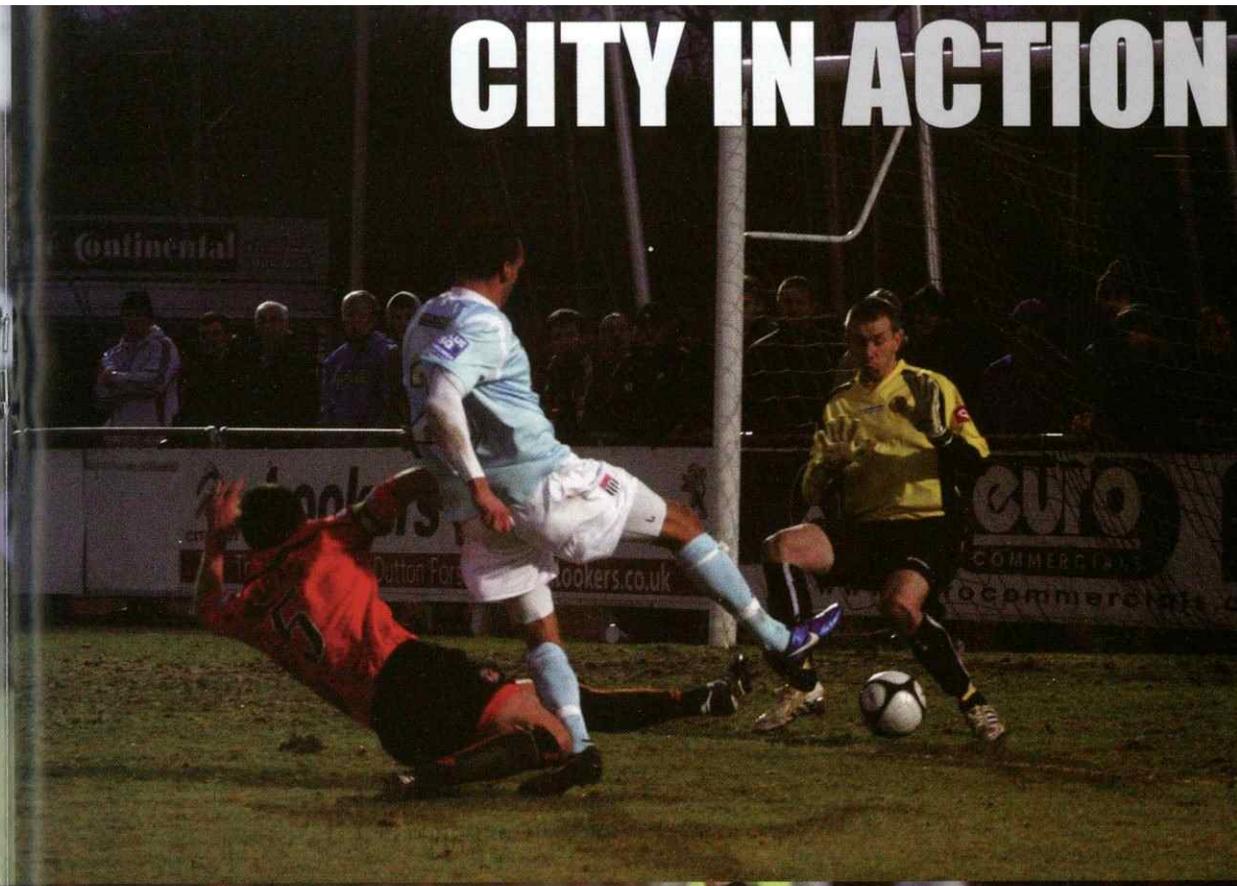


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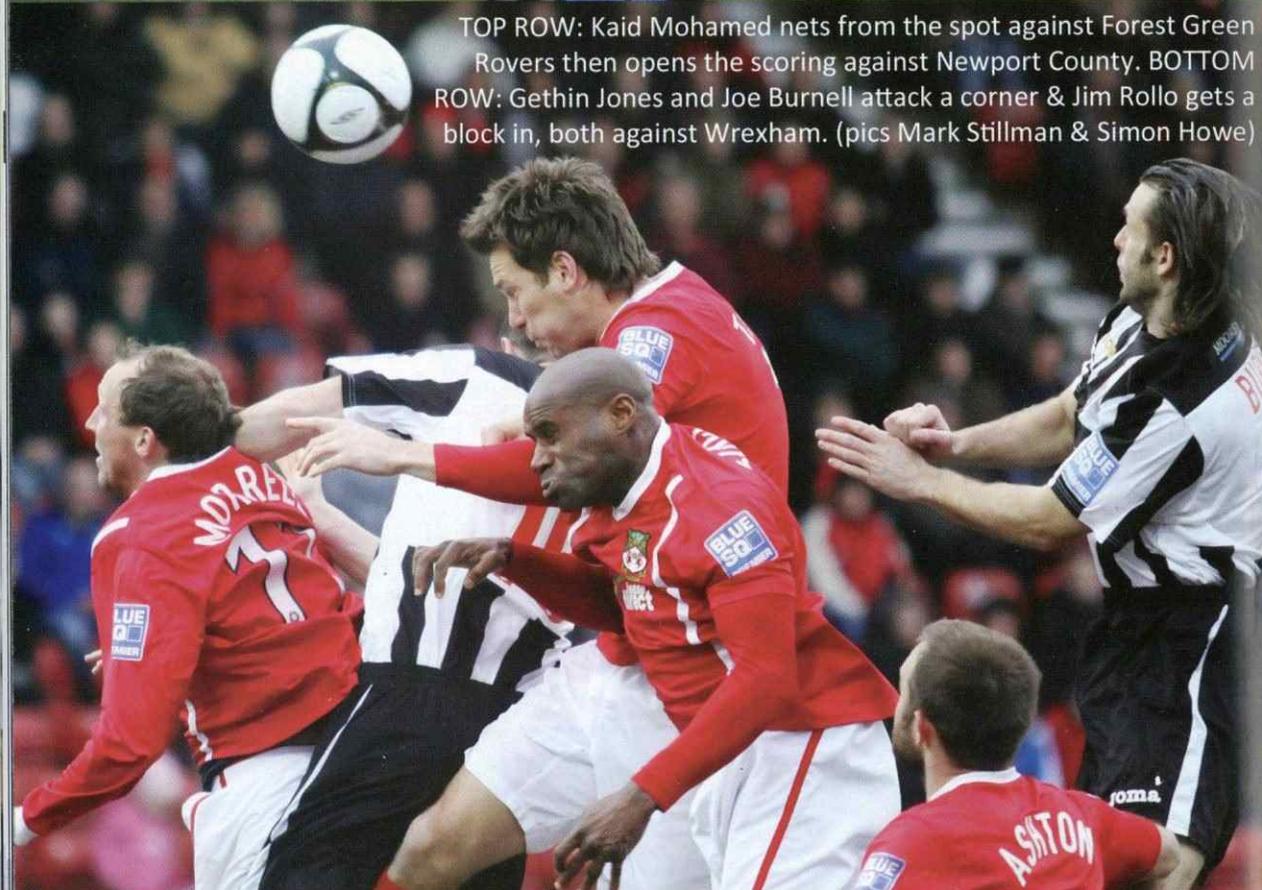
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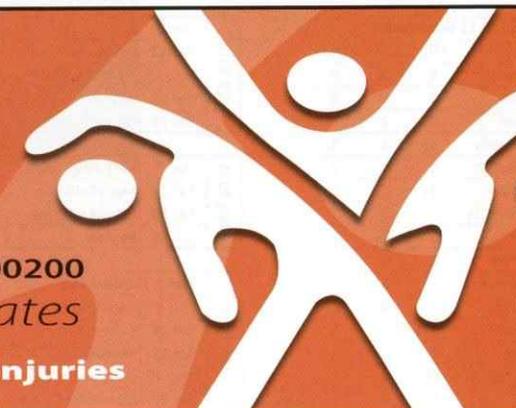
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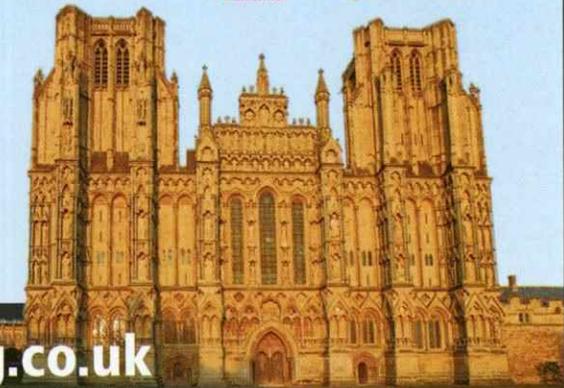
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BLUE SQUARE BET PREMIER LEAGUE TABLE

UP TO 4/1/11	Pld	W	D	L	F	A	GD	Pts
1 AFC Wimbledon	23	15	3	5	45	26	19	48
2 Crawley Town	21	14	4	3	44	17	27	46
3 Luton Town	22	14	3	5	45	20	25	45
4 Newport County	25	11	9	5	42	30	12	42
5 Fleetwood Town	23	10	10	3	31	18	13	40
6 Kidderminster Harriers	24	10	8	6	35	34	1	38
7 Wrexham	23	9	10	4	31	22	9	37
8 Grimsby Town	22	9	8	5	42	27	15	35
9 Mansfield Town	24	10	4	10	42	37	5	34
10 Rushden & Diamonds	23	9	5	9	30	29	1	32
11 Darlington	22	7	9	6	25	19	6	30
12 Cambridge United	24	7	9	8	35	31	4	30
13 BATH CITY	24	7	9	8	34	40	-6	30
14 York City	22	7	8	7	28	24	4	29
15 Kettering Town	22	7	7	8	27	31	-4	28
16 Tamworth	22	6	8	8	32	38	-6	26
17 Gateshead FC	22	6	7	9	22	32	-10	25
18 Barrow AFC	22	5	8	9	25	33	-8	23
19 Forest Green Rovers	24	5	8	11	29	45	-16	23
20 Southport	23	5	7	11	25	31	-6	22
21 Eastbourne Borough	24	5	7	12	37	50	-13	22
22 Histon	22	5	5	12	22	42	-20	20
23 Hayes & Yeading Utd	24	6	2	16	24	46	-22	20
24 Altrincham	23	4	6	13	18	48	-30	18

BLUE SQUARE PREMIER - RESULTS

Monday, 3 January 2011

Darlington	3 - 1	Barrow
Eastbourne Borough	0 - 2	Cambridge United
Forest Green Rovers	0 - 3	Crawley Town
Histon	1 - 6	Grimsby Town
Mansfield Town	0 - 1	Altrincham
Newport County	3 - 3	AFC Wimbledon
Rushden & Diamonds	1 - 2	Kettering Town
Southport	5 - 1	Gateshead
Tamworth	2 - 2	Kidderminster Harriers
Wrexham	2 - 0	Bath City

Tuesday, 4 January 2011

Hayes & Yeading United	0 - 1	Luton Town
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FIXTURES

BLUE SQUARE BET PREMIER - Today

Barrow	vs	Cambridge United
BATH CITY	vs	Luton Town
Darlington	vs	AFC Wimbledon
Eastbourne Borough	vs	Mansfield Town
Forest Green Rovers	vs	Fleetwood Town
Gateshead	vs	Kidderminster Harriers
Hayes & Yeading United	vs	Tamworth
Rushden & Diamonds	vs	Altrincham
Southport	vs	Newport County
Wrexham	vs	Grimsby Town

FA CUP 3RD ROUND

Bolton Wanderers	vs	York City
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Monday, 10 January 2011

Crawley Town	vs	Derby County
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BLUE SQUARE BET PREMIER - Tuesday, 11 January 2011

Altrincham	vs	Forest Green Rovers
Darlington	vs	Histon
Kidderminster Harriers	vs	Kettering Town
Mansfield Town	vs	Fleetwood Town
Tamworth	vs	Newport County
York City	vs	Grimsby Town

FA TROPHY 1ST ROUND REPLAYS

Eastwood Town	vs	Rushden & Diamonds
Southport	vs	Gateshead

BLUE SQUARE BET PREMIER - Wednesday, 12 January 2011

AFC Wimbledon	vs	Luton Town
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BLUE SQUARE BET NORTH LEAGUE TABLE

UP TO 3/1/11	Pld	W	D	L	F	A	GD	Pts
1 Guiseley	19	13	4	2	30	13	17	43
2 Alfreton Town	16	13	2	1	40	11	29	41
3 AFC Telford Utd	19	11	7	1	33	11	22	40
4 Nuneaton Town	17	11	4	2	31	18	13	37
5 Boston United	18	10	5	3	32	14	18	35
6 Solihull Moors	18	9	3	6	29	19	10	30
7 Droylsden	17	8	4	5	36	27	9	28
8 Blyth Spartans AFC	19	7	6	6	29	26	3	27
9 Workington	17	8	2	7	19	25	-6	26
10 Worcester City	18	6	5	7	28	27	1	23
11 Corby Town FC	16	6	4	6	24	24	0	22
12 Harrogate Town	19	6	3	10	25	37	-12	21
13 Vauxhall Motors	15	5	5	5	25	24	1	20
14 Stalybridge Celtic	17	6	0	11	26	28	-2	18
15 Eastwood Town	17	5	2	10	26	31	-5	17
16 Gainsborough Trinity	16	5	2	9	20	31	-11	17
17 Gloucester City	15	5	1	9	20	24	-4	16
18 Hinckley United	16	3	4	9	26	33	-7	13
19 Hyde FC	18	4	1	13	17	40	-23	13
20 Stafford Rangers	17	2	4	11	11	28	-17	10
21 Redditch Utd	18	2	4	12	15	51	-36	10

BLUE SQUARE BET NORTH - RESULTS

Monday, 3 January 2011

Blyth Spartans	2 - 4	Droylsden
Eastwood Town	2 - 2	Boston United
Gloucester City	2 - 4	Solihull Moors
Harrogate Town	2 - 0	Stalybridge Celtic
Hinckley United	3 - 3	Corby Town
Hyde United	0 - 1	Guiseley
Nuneaton Town	0 - 0	AFC Telford
Redditch United	0 - 0	Worcester City
Stafford Rangers	0 - 1	Alfreton Town

BLUE SQUARE BET NORTH - FIXTURES

Today

Alfreton Town	vs	Stalybridge Celtic
Corby Town	vs	Guiseley
Luton Town	vs	Worcester City
Eastwood Town	vs	Harrogate Town
Gloucester City	vs	Boston United
Hyde United	vs	Stafford Rangers
Nuneaton Town	vs	Blyth Spartans
Redditch United	vs	Hinckley United
Vauxhall Motors	vs	Gainsborough Trinity
Workington	vs	AFC Telford United

Monday, 10 January 2011

Worcester City	vs	Corby Town
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Tuesday, 11 January 2011

Alfreton Town	vs	Workington
Boston United	vs	Hinckley United
Gainsborough Trinity	vs	Vauxhall Motors
Gloucester City	vs	Worcester City
Stafford Rangers	vs	AFC Telford United
Stalybridge Celtic	vs	Nuneaton Town

Saturday, 15 January 2011

Harrogate Town	vs	Nuneaton Town
Hinckley United	vs	Eastwood Town
Hyde United	vs	Solihull Moors
Redditch United	vs	Gainsborough Trinity
Stafford Rangers	vs	Vauxhall Motors

BLUE SQUARE BET SOUTH LEAGUE TABLE

UP TO 3/1/11	Pld	W	D	L	F	A	GD	Pts
1 Braintree Town	18	12	3	3	35	14	21	39
2 Bromley	20	10	7	3	31	30	1	37
3 Farnborough	20	10	5	5	35	23	12	35
4 Dover Athletic	18	10	4	4	43	24	19	34
5 Welling United	19	12	3	4	40	24	16	34
6 Chelmsford City	16	10	3	3	35	20	15	33
7 Ebbsfleet United	17	9	5	3	27	17	10	32
8 Eastleigh	18	9	4	5	32	21	11	31
9 Weston-Super-Mare	22	8	5	9	33	37	-4	29
10 Woking	19	7	6	6	23	22	1	27
11 Bishops Cleeve	20	8	2	10	24	36	-12	26
12 Maidenhead United	20	6	6	8	21	30	-9	24
13 Havant & Waterlooville	17	6	5	6	24	22	2	23
14 Staines Town	18	5	7	6	24	23	1	22
15 Hampton & Richmond B.	18	4	9	5	21	25	-4	21
16 Dorchester Town	18	5	5	8	21	23	-2	20
17 Basingstoke Town	17	4	6	7	16	21	-5	18
18 St Albans City	18	3	7	8	19	31	-12	16
19 Dartford	18	3	6	9	23	31	-8	15
20 Lewes	20	3	3	14	16	32	-16	12
21 Thurrock	19	2	6	11	23	44	-21	12
22 Boreham Wood	18	2	5	11	23	39	-16	11

BLUE SQUARE BET SOUTH - RESULTS

Monday, 3 January 2011

Basingstoke Town	2 - 2	Weston-super-Mare
Braintree Town	4 - 2	Ebbsfleet United
Bromley	4 - 3	Bishop's Cleeve
Dartford	1 - 2	Chelmsford City
Dorchester Town	2 - 2	Hampton & Richmond B
Eastleigh	4 - 2	Havant & Waterlooville
Lewes	1 - 3	Welling United
St Albans City	1 - 0	Maidenhead United
Staines Town	1 - 2	Farnborough
Thurrock	2 - 7	Dover Athletic
Woking	3 - 0	Boreham Wood

BLUE SQUARE BET SOUTH - FIXTURES

Today

Basingstoke Town	vs	Woking
Bishop's Cleeve	vs	Boreham Wood
Chelmsford City	vs	Weston-Super-Mare
Dartford	vs	Thurrock
Ebbsfleet United	vs	Dorchester Town
Havant & Waterlooville	vs	Hampton & Richmond B
Lewes	vs	Eastleigh
Maidenhead United	vs	Farnborough
St Albans City	vs	Bromley
Welling United	vs	Staines Town

FA CUP 3RD ROUND

Huddersfield Town	vs	Dover Athletic
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BLUE SQUARE BET SOUTH

Tuesday, 11 January 2011

Bishop's Cleeve	vs	Weston-Super-Mare
Bromley	vs	Chelmsford City
Dartford	vs	Basingstoke Town
Dover Athletic	vs	Woking
Ebbsfleet United	vs	Hampton & Richmond B
Maidenhead United	vs	Havant & Waterlooville

Saturday, 15 January 2011

Boreham Wood	vs	Chelmsford City
Braintree Town	vs	Lewes
Bromley	vs	Basingstoke Town
Farnborough	vs	Dover Athletic
Staines Town	vs	Bishop's Cleeve
Thurrock	vs	Welling United
Weston-Super-Mare	vs	Havant & Waterlooville

Blue Square Bet Premier

After the frustrations of the last month it has been great to be back playing football and no one else has enjoyed it more than Grimsby Town. The Mariners thumped Mansfield Town 7-2 on New Year's Day and followed this up with a 6-1 thrashing of Histon two days later at the Glass World Stadium. Peter Bore (pictured) scored a hat trick against the Stags and 8 other players contributed goals over the 2 matches.



The 'big three' continue to lead with AFC Wimbledon acquiring 4 points from their New Year matches - a comfortable 3-1 victory over strugglers Hayes & Yeading United was followed up by an enthralling 3-3 draw at Spytty Park against Newport County who led 2-0 and 3-1 before being pegged back in the second half.

Crawley completed two emphatic victories, 3-1 against Eastbourne Borough and 3-0 at Forest Green Rovers. Matt Tubbs continued his plundering in front of goal by bagging a brace in both games.

Meanwhile, Luton Town keep up the pressure on the top 2 by easily overcoming Rushden & Diamonds 3-0 at Kenilworth Road. Matthew Barnes-Homer with a couple and Claude Gnaka scored for the Hatters. Gnaka also scored the only goal of the game on Tuesday night as they saw off Hayes & Yeading United at Church Road to close the gap on leaders, AFC Wimbledon, to 3 points.

Newport's New Year started poorly as they lost to Bath City. Kaid Mohamed and Gethin Jones, with yet another late City goal, did the damage with Craig Reid getting his customary strike in between.

Fleetwood continue to occupy the final play-off position having overcome Darlington on New Year's Day. Their fixture on Bank Holiday Monday at York was postponed, unfortunately.

Kidderminster Harriers, despite their off field difficulties, are pushing for the play-offs. An injury time Chris McPhee (pictured) penalty was enough to see off Forest Green Rovers and a useful point was picked up at Tamworth with Nick Wright and Matty Blair cancelling out a Lee Vaughan own goal and a home debut effort from Adi Yussuf.



At the bottom end of the table, Altrincham will be delighted with a return of 4 points and two clean sheets - Damian Reeves the hero against inconsistent Mansfield Town. However, they remain 4 points from safety.

Southport recorded their first league victory since September against fellow strugglers Gateshead. After falling behind to Martin Brittain's (pictured) goal just before half-time, the Sandgrounders turned matters around magnificently in the second 45 minutes as goals from Paul Barratt, Karl Ledsham, Jon-Paul Kissock, Matty McNeil and Michael Powell sent the Head army back empty handed.



Finally a special mention to Adam Birchall of Dover Athletic who warmed up nicely for their FA Cup 3rd Round visit to Huddersfield Town by scoring 5 in the 7-2 rout of hapless Thurrock at Ship Lane in Blue Square Bet South.

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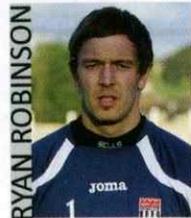
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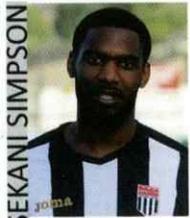
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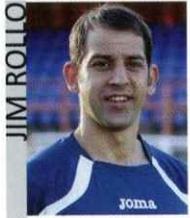
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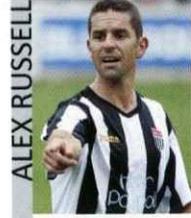
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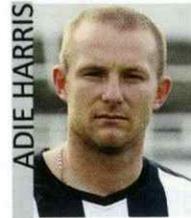
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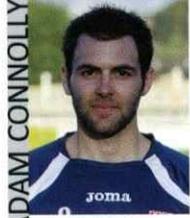
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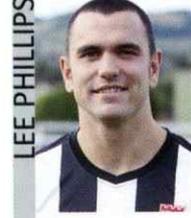
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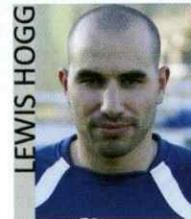


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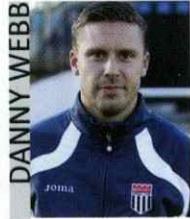
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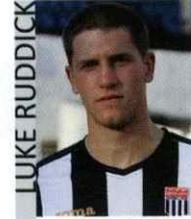
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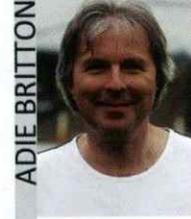


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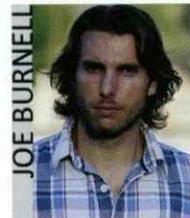


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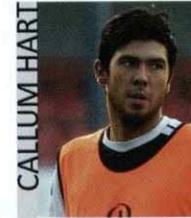
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Newport County 1 Bath City 2

Bath City were forced to endure some sustained periods of pressure from high-flying Newport County at Spytty Park this afternoon. However, the game ended in dramatic fashion as the visitors snatched an unlikely victory thanks to Gethin Jones' headed goal deep into second half stoppage time.

The match, played on a bumpy surface, commenced with County taking the game to City at every opportunity. They were desperately close to taking the lead as early as the 6th minute following a rapid run down the right by the lively Darryl Knights. The wide man sent in a low cross from which Sam Foley slid his shot under keeper Carl Pentney, who recovered just quickly enough to prevent the ball crossing the goal-line.

Bath's first attack came from a deep free-kick into the Newport area, but Lee Phillips' looping header was safely held by Glyn Thompson. It was the home side that remained the more potent threat going forward, but a stretching Craig Reid was unable to turn the ball into the net at the far post following a 10th minute free-kick from the right.

The majority of the game was being played in the Bath half of the pitch, with Kaid Mohamed and Phillips being forced to feed off scraps of possession. Foley failed to trouble Pentney with a headed effort after a long throw into the penalty box and, after 25 minutes, Gary Warren glanced a header goalwards which was cleared off the line by Lewis Hogg.

As the half hour mark approached The Exiles had a presentable chance to make their superiority tell, but Knights placed his shot wide of the far post following a neat move down the right.

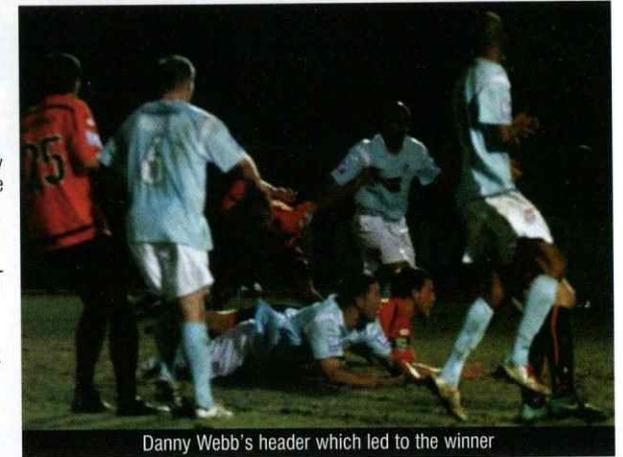
Bath finally broke the shackles three minutes later when Hogg found Sekani Simpson unmarked barely 8 yards from the home goal. The ball seemed to become stuck between the full-back's feet, and he scuffed his shot the wrong side of the post.

The final opportunity of the half fell to Warren, but he nodded wide of the target after a corner had found him unmarked inside the Bath six-yard box.

The second period began with Newport again on the offensive, and they should have scored when a tempting cross from Knights eluded both Jamie Collins and Foley. City responded with a firm Hogg shot from 25 yards which narrowly cleared Thompson's crossbar, and this signalled a period of play where the visitors gained more of a foothold.

The deadlock was broken on 56 minutes when County failed to deal effectively with a ball into the box. There was only a partial clearance from which Adie Harris won a towering header, and the ball fell invitingly for Mohamed. The striker took it in his stride, and slipped his shot into the net under the advancing Thompson to silence the home crowd.

City continued to enjoy the upper hand for a short spell, but they were soon pushed back on the defensive by Newport. Indeed, the hosts should have been on level terms after 63 minutes, but Knights crashed his



Danny Webb's header which led to the winner

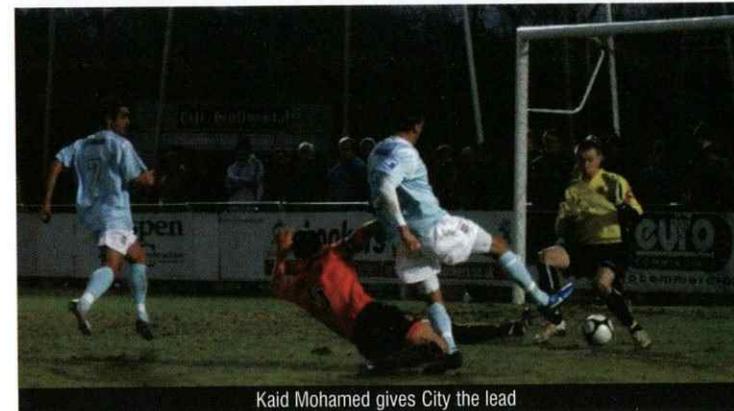
upright, when he should really have done better.

Newport's pressure was finally made to pay when they restored parity with 8 minutes left on the clock. Knights broke free down the right and, when he squared the ball across the penalty area, Reid was on hand to score from 6 yards. The home contingent now sensed victory, and it was all Bath hands to the pump in an effort to keep the rampant Exiles at bay. Ben Wright came close with a drive from 25 yards, as the referee's assistant indicated an additional five minutes to be played.

City made a rare excursion into Newport territory and earned a 94th minute corner. The delivery into the danger zone was met with a low header by substitute Danny Webb that was cleared off the line, but the ball looped up allowing Jones to plant a firm header into the corner of the net from 10 yards out.

There was still time for Newport's Danny Rose to miss a golden opportunity from close range after rounding Pentney, and for Reid to hook another shot over the bar, before the final whistle sparked jubilation amongst the City supporters on the distant terrace behind the goal.

There is no doubt that Newport enjoyed the vast majority of possession and territorial advantage, and they will no doubt feel a sense of injustice at this defeat. However, they were made to pay dearly for failing to make the most of their chances, and Adie Britton's men will point to resolute, organised, and brave defending throughout the team as crucial factors for their success. This was a performance brimming with determination and character, and a perfect response to the disappointment of defeat against Forest Green Rovers on Tuesday.



Kaid Mohamed gives City the lead

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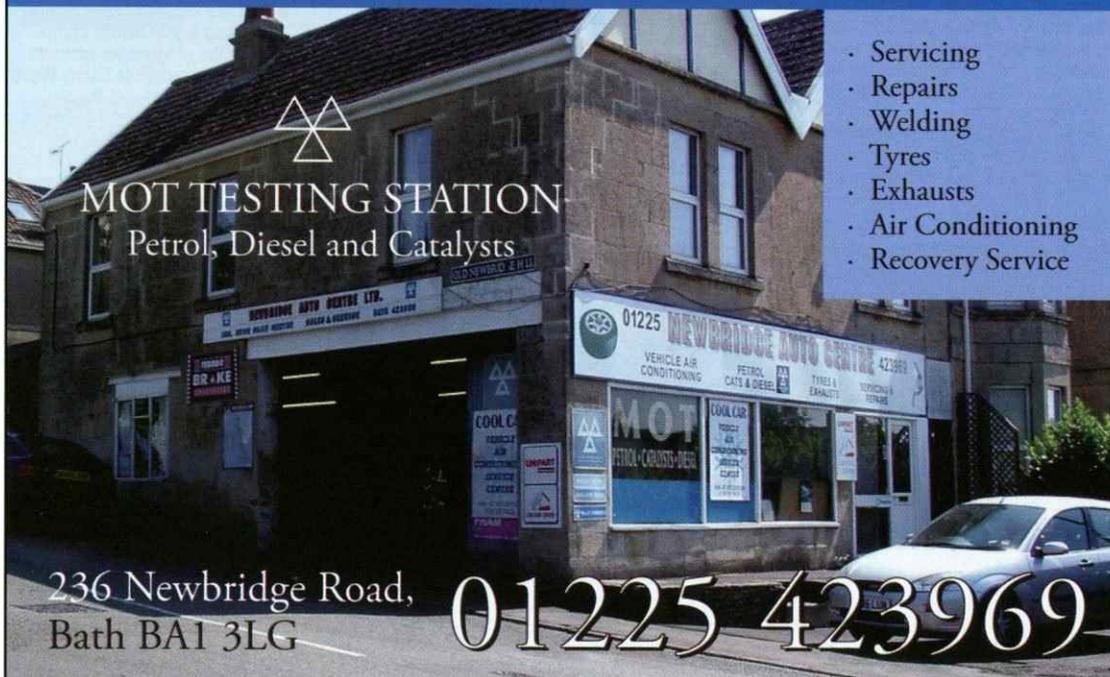
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Bath City FC Supporters' Society

January is one of the most important months in football. It is the time when managers must provide their most talented players with new contracts for next season before they get poached by other clubs. They are also

on the lookout for new players to strengthen the squad. Adie and his team have done a magnificent job this season on limited resources and we have a good balance of young talent and older experienced players in the squad. Unfortunately, we are not a wealthy club and we are not in a position to provide a large purse for Adie to use at will. We rely entirely on income into the club via the turnstiles, the Supporters' Society, the Supporters' Club and the Board of Directors. Please support your club in the best way you know how during this critical time, either by encouraging a few more friends to come and support the team, by buying merchandise from the club shop or by becoming a member of the supporters' society.

What does the Society Do?

Recruitment into the society has been successful since we offered membership for as little as £2 per month, but we still need more. We are the single largest shareholder in the club and we are represented at board level. Activities such as the Ken Loach Film Evenings help lift the profile of the club as well as put £1,700 into the player fund. The Supporters' Society Attacking Skills project, now operates in ten local schools and is supported by a £2,500 grant from St. John's Hospital. The project provides rich learning experiences for Year 4 pupils (9 yr olds) in and around the Bath area and draws attention to the work the club does within the community. The society also work in co-operation with the supporters' club in manning a Saturday morning stall in the city centre on major match day mornings recruiting new supporters.

Football Evenings

The society is planning two football evenings at the club in the next couple of months. Tentative dates are the evenings of Thursday, 24th February and Thursday, 24th March. Ken Loach is contacting two or more top football journalists, one being Stuart James. Martin Powell will be organising the evenings. Look out for confirmation in the next supporters' society newsletter.

Player Cards

A new set of player cards will be ready in time for the evening game against Crawley Town. We apologise for the delay in completing them, but we hope you will find them worth waiting for. This is a joint venture with the Supporters' Club - all proceeds will go to the Supporters' Club.



Supporting the Player Fund

The society has donated £6,000 into the player fund over the past three months

and have just made a loan to the club of a further £5,000 to support it during the recent period of postponed matches. All of the money we pay into the club goes towards shares to strengthen our role in the club and then into Adie's player fund. Our aim is to recruit a large proportion of regular supporters into the society - a strong society means more funds for Adie to use in the management of the team. We already sponsor Carl Pentney and Scott Murray. We were sponsoring Marley Watkins before his recall to Cheltenham Town. We will be deciding on another player sponsorship in the near future.

Sponsored Match

The Supporters' Society have booked the Bath City v Grimsby Town game on Saturday, 19th March as our next sponsored game. Sign up to the society today and join other members for a great afternoon in March.

Supporters' Society AGM

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Looking back through the transfer mists of time, a number of former Bath City players have made the step up from Southern League to Football League, grateful for the time spent showcasing their skills at Twerton Park as a prelude to stepping onto a bigger stage. Off the top of my head, names like Graham Withey, Tony Gough, Keith Sanderson, Jason Dodd and Jerry Gill come to mind. And, of course, the ageless Tony Book. Another to effortlessly bridge the gap and make a name for himself at the highest level was winger Alan Skirton.

Born in Bath, Alan first caught the eye playing for West Twerton Youth Club. He joined Bristol City as an amateur, but they decided not to offer him a professional contract - a decision they would regret some years later, when they splashed out £15,000 to sign him.

Determined to prove Bristol City wrong, Alan returned to his roots, signing for the Romans in 1956. Between then and the start of 1959, he was to excel for his local club, playing well over 100 games and scoring regularly. His displays soon brought the scouts flocking to Twerton Park and in January 1959, the mighty Arsenal handed over a cheque for £5,000 (big money for a non league player in those days) to take him to the marbled halls of Highbury.

"My first weekly wage at Arsenal was the princely sum of a pound a week," said Alan, as he showed me his first full time professional contract, over coffee at his home in Bradford-on-Avon.

But Alan's career as a pro footballer was very nearly over before it had barely started. "I'd only played a couple of reserve games when I contracted TB.

I was in hospital for four-and-a-half months and out of the game for a year-and-a-half," he recalled. "Arsenal were absolutely marvelous. Understandably I was pretty low and it was a very worrying time, but the help and support I got from everyone at the club was fantastic."

On his recovery, Alan was to enjoy 144 games in 'The Gunners' first team, netting 53 goals in the process. "There were some quality players there," he said with a smile. "George Eastham, Joe Baker, Georgie Armstrong ... fantastic players."

The 1966/67 season saw Alan leave Arsenal and move to the seaside to play for Blackpool. "We were so unlucky there," he said. "We finished joint second but just missed out on promotion to the (old) First Division on goal difference. Mind you, I did have the satisfaction of going back to Highbury with Blackpool and scoring the goal in a 1-1 draw."

When the chance came to return to the West Country it was too good to turn down, so when Bristol City put in a bid of £15,000 he headed home, having played 77 games and netted 29 times for 'The Seaside'. "That was in November '68 and City were struggling at the wrong end of the Second Division, but they did have a great strike pair up front of Chris Garland and John Galley. I was brought in to supply the ammunition for them, as well as to get a few goals myself," he explained.

Alan found the back of the net 18 times for 'The Robins' in his 90 plus appearances in City's red and white. He was released at the end of the 1970/71 season and joined Torquay United, where he put in 38 senior appearances, netting seven times. "After that I had five months playing for Durbin City in South Africa," he told me. "They were managed by the old West Ham striker Johnny 'Budgie' Byrne and we won the league."

Returning home, Alan had a season

TWERTON TALES

and a half at Weymouth and, going full cycle, saw out his playing days back at Twerton Park, where, in 1974, he took on the role of commercial manager. "I had seven years of that and turned the fund raising side of the club around. At one stage we were selling 21,000 club lottery tickets a week," he said.

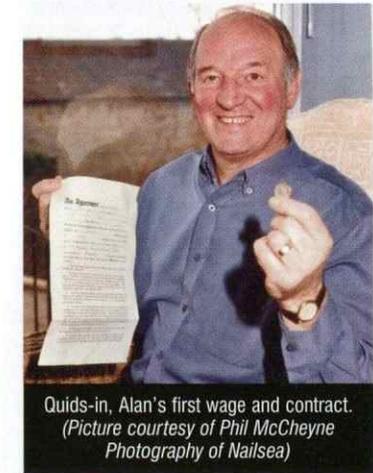
In 1981, Alan parted company with Bath City to take up a similar role at rivals Yeovil Town. Taking to his task like a duck to water, Alan went on to raise over £450,000 for the club, before stepping down after 21 years service

Like many of his former team mates, Alan has had hip replacement surgery. He is married to Jane, who he met when he was at Bath City.

"I'd like to think that every club I've been at has got its' money's worth," summed up Alan, and at a £1 a week, none more so than Arsenal!

Mark Leesdad is the author of *Life After Bristol City (Volumes One & Two)*, *Life After Bristol Rovers (Vols One & Two)* and the co-author of Chris Garland's autobiography

A Life of Two Halves. He also regularly writes Bath City match reports for the *Sunday Independent* newspaper, which includes his weekly Memory Lane feature on former Bristol City and Rovers players.



Quids-in, Alan's first wage and contract. (Picture courtesy of Phil McCheyne Photograph of Nailsea)



MATCH REPORT - WREXHAM

Wrexham 2 Bath City 0

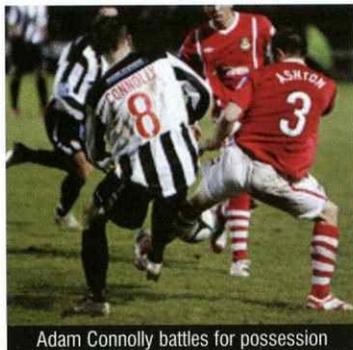
Bath City suffered defeat at the hands of Wrexham this afternoon at The Racecourse Ground. The Somerset side enjoyed the majority of possession, but were unable to convert this into clear-cut chances against a well-drilled and miserly home defence.

Adie Britton made some changes following the energy sapping victory at Newport two days ago, bringing in Jim Rollo at right back, Marc Canham into midfield, and pushing Sekani Simpson forward on the right in place of the rested Lewis Hogg.

Wrexham came out of the traps quickly and created the first opportunity of the match on 3 minutes, when Adrian Cieslewicz cut in from the left, only to curl his shot well wide of Carl Pentney's far post. It was City though who began to take control of the midfield, and Lee Phillips headed wide on 11 minutes from a deep Simpson cross.

Jay Harris, a livewire throughout, went close for the hosts with a diving header from 10 yards, but Mark Creighton was well over Pentney's crossbar with his attempted flick-on following a long throw into the Bath area shortly afterwards.

Adie Harris tried his luck from 20 yards in the 14th minute, but his shot was too high to trouble Chris Maxwell in the home goal. Most of the action was taking place in the Wrexham half, but The Dragons remained dangerous with their pace down the flanks without causing undue alarm in the Bath back-line. Jay Harris unleashed a rasping drive from 20 yards in the 24th minute that just cleared the Bath bar, but the visitors almost found an opening at the



Adam Connolly battles for possession



Lewis Hogg in action

other end when Maxwell made a mistake inside his own area. The relieved keeper recovered just in time to smother the loose ball, as the lurking Phillips was poised to take advantage.

It appeared that the City rearguard had the measure of the home strike force, but they were undone by an incisive run down the right by full back Curtis Obeng, which ended with him being felled inside the box by Kaid Mohamed's clumsy challenge. Gareth Taylor duly sent Pentney the wrong way with his confidently struck spot kick to give his side the lead, somewhat against the overall balance of play.

Bath were clearly rocked by this setback, and they were forced to worked hard to keep Wrexham at bay for the remainder of the half. However, the only real chance fell to Cieslewicz three minutes before the break, and he hooked his shot badly wide from 9 yards out.

The second period saw City again pressing forward and a 47th minute cross from Simpson picked out Adam Connolly beyond the far post, but his header was deflected behind by the towering Creighton. Adie Harris nodded the resulting corner over the crossbar.

Pentney made an excellent diving save at Jay Harris' feet in the 50th minute, and the visitors immediately counter attacked. Mohamed broke swiftly into the home box, only to be outmuscled by Chris Blackburn, causing the travelling faithful to shout for a penalty, albeit unsuccessfully.

The hosts had the ball in the Bath net again on 57 minutes, but Andy Morrell's effort was struck off by the referee Mr. Collin, who indicated a foul on Sido

Jombati. Jay Harris saw another drive well saved by the diving Pentney, but City's best chance of the afternoon arrived on 66 minutes. A quick break deep into Wrexham territory ended with the ball falling kindly to Phillips, who struck a first time shot towards the far corner, only for Maxwell to make an outstanding save.

Substitute Scott Murray volleyed straight at Maxwell with 13 minutes left on the clock as The Romans committed more men forward in search of an equalizer. They were caught out, however, in the 85th minute, when Wrexham broke away and Jay Harris found Mathias Pogba with a precise through ball. The giant substitute steadied himself, and then found the back of the net as the exposed Pentney desperately tried to close him down.

The remaining minutes saw City in all-out attack as they searched for some consolation, but the closest they came to reducing the arrears was through a Mohamed dash to the byline. Alas, they were once again denied by the impressive Maxwell, as he expertly blocked the striker's low cross into the danger zone.

This defeat was slightly harsh on City, who dominated possession for long periods and showed some excellent passing and movement. Ultimately, however, they were unable to breach a very well organised home defence, and this was the telling factor. Undoubtedly, their followers would have left the Principality feeling that, in the absence of a penalty kick, this game seemed destined to remain goal-less.



Marc Canham and Carl Pentney applaud the travelling faithful



SUPPORTERS CLUB NEWS

Supporters Club Committee

This season's committee are as follows: Martin 'Basil' Brush (Chairman, Club shop), Colin Voutt (Vice-Chairman, T-bar), Graham Weeks (Treasurer, Membership Secretary), Jo Francis Pope (Secretary), Martin Powell (Travel Co-ordinator), Shane Morgan (Publicity, T-bar), Gill Rixson (125 draw), Dave Mann (125 draw), Kirstie Morgan (T-bar), Dan Tanner, Paul Blackmore and Alison Gibbons

Membership Incentive

The Supporters' Club are offering an excellent incentive to become members before the New Year. Anyone signing up before the end of the season will receive a copy of a Bath City Archive DVD which retails at £10. As well as this unbelievable offer membership also entitles you to substantial savings on away travel, discounts at the club shop and entry into the monthly prize draw. Membership rates are as follows:-

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Christmas Quiz and Party

Thanks to all the supporters who attended the quiz and party, we hope you had a good night. The evening raised £125 for the Supporters' Club and more for the club over the bar. Thanks to Louie for his services as DJ. Thanks to Dave and Pat Stafford as always for their great endeavours with the quiz. Thanks to Mark Stillman for his scoring. Thanks to those who donated prizes and thanks to Sir James Stuart Rollo for his support.

Christmas/New Years Draw

A huge thanks to all those who sold and bought tickets. Your magnificent efforts raised £1,774 for the Supporters' Club which will go along way towards the £16,000 needed to pay for the team's away travel. A big thanks to Graham Weeks for all his hard work in organising the draw and much gratitude to those sponsors who donated prizes. Congratulations to the winners listed below

Sony PSP with Football Manager 2011- Jim Hardman
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Coach trip for 2- Peter Nobes
Picnic rucksack- Julian Stainer
Chocolates- Steve Bence
Biscuits- Dan Britten
Chocolates- P. Sartain
Biscuits- R. Miles
Wine- David Guppy
Wine- Miss E. Tanner
Wine- N. Britten
Wine- D. J. Rose
Wine- Ian Hatton

Away Travel

The Supporters' Club are running a coach to Darlington for the FA Trophy match on Saturday, 15th January. The coach departs the Radstock Hotel at 0605, the Sizzler at 0615, Twerton Park at 0630, Saltford at 0640 and Longwell Green at 0645. The cost is £29 for adults, £26 for concessions. (£5 extra for non members). Please note that there will only be a 49 seater if there is sufficient interest, otherwise the 19 seater will run and this is already fully booked.

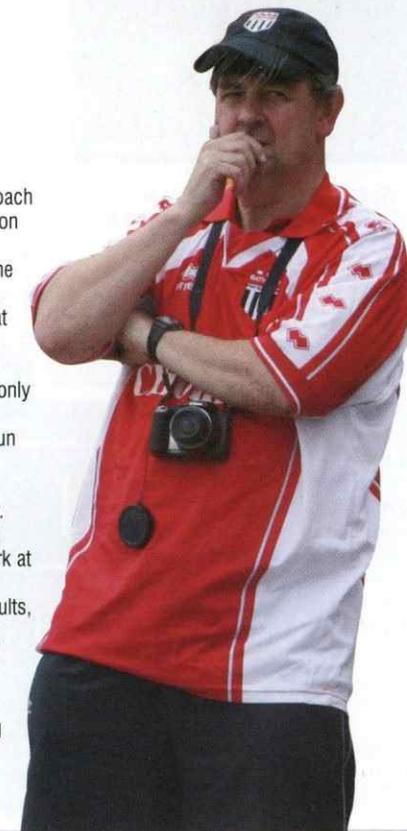
We are also running a coach to Altrincham on Saturday, 22nd January. The coach departs the Radstock Hotel 0820, the Sizzler at 0830, Twerton Park at 0845, Saltford at 0855 and Longwell Green at 0900. The cost is £18 for adults, £15 for concessions (£3 extra for non members). Contact Martin Powell on 01373 301143 to book a seat for either trip. Prices for away travel will vary throughout the season depending on the distance.

Stockers Tricky Sahara Trek

Richard Stockley and Dorothy House would like to thank Bath City fans who have contributed on line and at the Fleetwood match. The bucket collection at the game raised £200.90 which has helped Rich reach his target of £2,000. Donations are still welcome, the JustGiving website for donations is www.justgiving.com/StockersTrickySaharaTrek.



Richard in his City shirt in the middle of the desert





THE SEASON SO FAR

This article was originally produced for one of the programmes of a postponed fixture and has been updated to include the last 3 matches.

We are now just over halfway through out fixtures so it is as good as any time to pen a review of the season so far – and what a half a season it has been!

It all started in fairly low key fashion at Church Road, Hayes where 2 Ben Wright goals gave us an early indication of the standard of finishing seen at this level. It was a disappointing defeat but that was soon rectified as we overcame a smart Rushden & Diamonds outfit. Having spent much of the first half chasing shadows and falling behind, City gave their faithful the first evidence of their remarkable spirit as they responded with 2 goals to snatch the points.



Adam Connolly scores against Rushden

What was already noticeable was City's willingness to get the ball down and play – a far cry from the successful but rather attritional approach that had won the Southern League and to a lesser degree, won us promotion last season. With a midfield of ball players such as Canham, Connolly and Hogg the management clearly wanted to go only one way although when Adie Harris has been called upon to add a bit of 'bite' he has rarely let us down.

After the euphoria of the Rushden victory, reality started to take effect as we went 9 games without a win. However, it wasn't all doom and gloom as City grabbed valuable points against Forest Green Rovers, York City, Barrow, Darlington and Tamworth and picked up vital experience in defeat when playing Crawley Town, Wrexham, AFC Wimbledon and Fleetwood Town.

After a quarter of the season no one had bulldozed us but scoring bread and

butter goals was proving to be a headache although we could have started our version of goal of the season after memorable strikes from Jones, Connolly, Harris, Mackie and Mohamed.

This was all to change when Kidderminster Harriers came to town. In one of the best matches I have ever witnessed a Mohamed penalty and an alert finish from veteran new signing, Alex Russell, steered City to a 2-0 win and the start of 1 defeat in ten league games.

Despite the upturn in results, there was little respite on the injury front as Ruddick and Hogg were still absent and Simpson and Jones also missed several matches and later, loanee Watkins, was unavailable for half his loan period after a knock at Luton.

City had conceded the opening goal in 8 of their opening 12 games and that theme continued during an early battering at Cambridge United. However, once again City's resolve came to the fore as they picked up 3 points after an exquisite Canham free-kick was added to by a brilliant individual effort late on by Mohamed. Signs were promising and despite experience and youth leaving (Coupe and Mackie) the squad continued to evolve positively. Joe Edwards, on loan from Bristol City, proved an excellent addition on the right hand side and latterly Carl Pentney came in to cover for the injured Ryan Robinson.



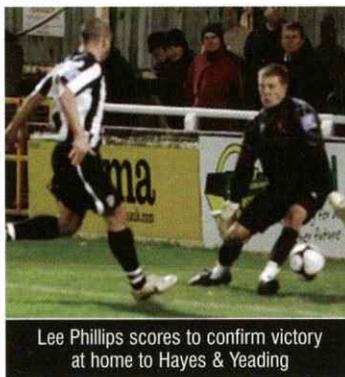
Marc Canham equalises at Cambridge United

The improved league form was slightly overshadowed by an embarrassing exit at the hands of Swindon Supermarine where the Twerton regulars saw a wholly inadequate defensive display. This generosity continued 4 days later in a poor opening half hour at Luton but the long awaited return to fitness of Joe Burnell provided one very welcome piece of good news.

The visit to Kenilworth Road highlighted one of the delights of regaining Conference Premier status – playing in front of a 7,000 crowd in a fine stadium.

The trips to Cambridge and York had already shown the gulf in class in grounds at this level compared to Conference South.

The comebacks and results continued unabated with 11 points gained from 5 very different performances in November. Two 2 goal deficits were hauled in confirming the Romans as a team never to be written off and this reputation was enhanced further in the FA Trophy 1st Round as 3 goals in a hectic last 20 minutes turned the match around against Histon.



Lee Phillips scores to confirm victory at home to Hayes & Yeading

The disruption caused by the inclement weather probably hasn't help City and a rusty performance at home to Forest Green Rovers backed this up. However, an excellent backs to the wall victory at Newport started the New Year off superbly although the sheen was taken off this win with the defeat to Wrexham.

The tap-ins and more routine efforts have now overtaken the less regular 'screamers' and Phillips' and Mohamed's partnership has been a major factor in the upturn in fortunes. Another influence is the vastly improved discipline which sees us leading the Fair Play league. At a time when the squad has been stretched through injuries it has been a real bonus not to have lost players for daft suspensions.

There are still about 20 points to get before our first goal of survival is achieved but the quality of football and the results have exceeded all my expectations and I am thoroughly looking forward to 2010-11 season part 2.

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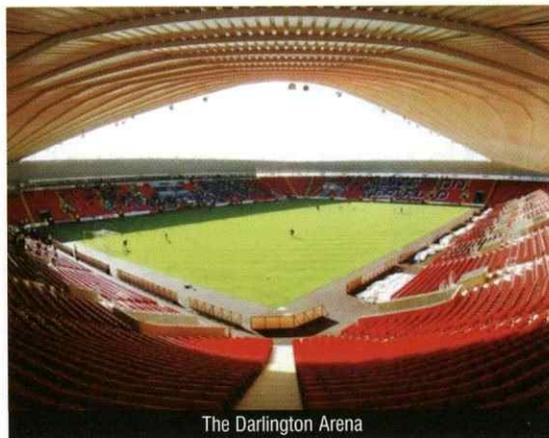
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**Darlington (away) – Saturday, 15 January 2011
FA Trophy 2nd Round**

City make their bow at the massive Darlington Arena on Saturday. The ground which holds 25,000 (but capacity is restricted to 10,000 by the local authority) will probably be only about 5% full as crowd numbers have dipped significantly as the Quakers struggle to make an impression in their first season back in the Blue Square Bet Premier. They are one of a handful of clubs who have been relegated twice to the Conference having suffered the fate in 1989 and 2010.



The Darlington Arena

City's only match against them was the 2-2 draw at Twerton Park in September – a match in which Darlington were in complete control leading by 2 goals deep into injury time before Lewis Hogg and Hector Mackie somehow rescued a point.

Despite the considerable distance between the places, 9 players have represented both clubs but none since Frank McMahon who joined City in 1977-78. The others are Billy Cowan, Doug Fletcher, John Franklin, John Kirk, John MacFarlane, Tommy Penn, George Smith and Ray Spencer.

**Crawley Town (home) – Tuesday, 18 January 2011
Kick-off 7.45pm**

A lot has been written and said about Crawley Town in Conference circles this season as they have spent heavily in a bid to secure promotion to League 2. However, they are living up to their pre-season billing by challenging for the title and reaching the 3rd round of

the FA Cup. They may not be to everyone's tastes and had questionable owners in the past but they are paying up front for transfer fees and have certainly helped Salisbury City's, Alfreton Town's and York City's coffers with the money they have splashed out on Matt Tubbs, Kyle McFadzean and Richard Brodie respectively.

City lost 2-1 at the Broadfield Stadium in August – Tubbs and a Craig McAllister penalty gave the Red Devils a 2-0 half time lead which was halved by Danny Webb in the 75th minute but City couldn't find an equaliser.

Overall City have a pretty good history against their Sussex opponents. In all competitions they have met on 33 occasions. The full record is: P33 W18, D6 L9 F58 A35.

The biggest win by either team was in January 2000 when a Bobby Zamora inspired City won 7-0 at Twerton Park with Martin Paul (3), Jon Holloway, Colin Towler, Mark Harrington and Zamora all scoring.

Crawley are managed by Steve Evans (pictured) who will be hoping for better luck than on his last trip to Twerton Park when his Boston United side were beaten 2-0 in 1999 on their way to the Southern League title.

Three players have represented both clubs albeit



briefly on all occasions. Dwayne Plummer had an ill-fated spell at Twerton and had an even shorter spell with Crawley. Jamie Cook (pictured) was quite successful for our visitors and enjoyed a good loan spell with City in 2004. Finally, Ronayne Marsh-Brown had brief spells with both clubs.



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BATH CITY FC

- 1 Ryan Robinson (g/k)
- 2 Sekani Simpson
- 3 Jim Rollo
- 5 Gethin Jones
- 6 Adie Harris
- 7 Scott Murray
- 8 Adam Connolly
- 10 Lee Phillips
- 11 Lewis Hogg
- 14 Danny Webb
- 15 Luke Ruddick
- 16 Marc Canham
- 17 Giancarlo Borhy (g/k)
- 19 Joe Burnell
- 20 Sido Jombati
- 23 Kaid Mohamed
- 24 Gordon Rieck
- 26 Callum Hart
- 29 Carl Pentney (g/k)
- 30 Leon Jeanne

LUTON TOWN FC

- 1 Mark Tyler (g/k)
- 2 Dan Gleeson
- 3 Freddie Murray
- 4 Keith Keane
- 5 George Pilkington
- 6 Adam Newton
- 7 Amari Morgan-Smith
- 8 Matthew Barnes-Homer
- 9 Taiwo Atieno
- 10 Andy Drury
- 11 Shane Blackett
- 12 Zdenek Kroca
- 13 Alex Lawless
- 14 Jake Howells
- 15 Ed Asafu-Adjaye
- 16 Pavel Besta
- 17 Claude Gnakpa
- 18 Danny Crow
- 19 Kevin Gallen
- 20 Charlie Henry
- 22 Jason Walker
- 23 Alex Lacey
- 24 Godfrey Poku
- 25 JJ O'Donnell
- 26 Taylor Nathaniel
- 27 Adam Watkins
- 28 Dan Walker
- 30 Kevin Pilkington (g/k)

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