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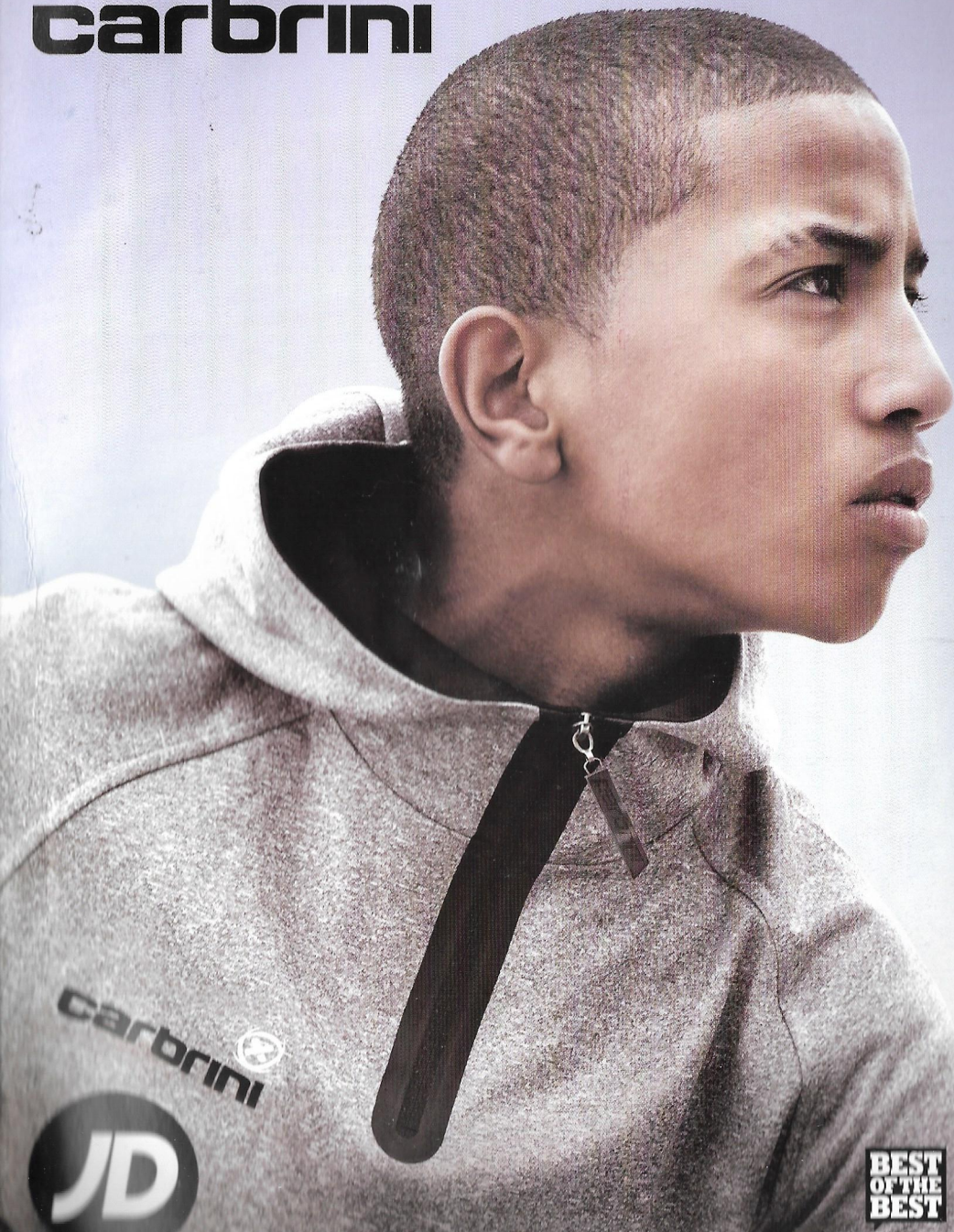
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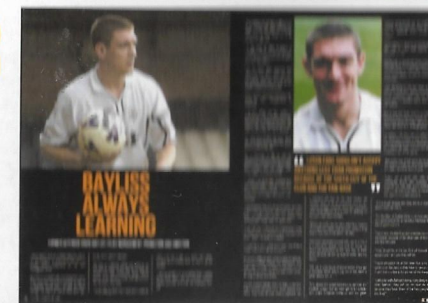
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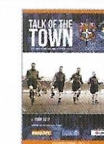
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Cover photo: Joe Payne and his colleagues in training before an FA Cup tie against Manchester City in 1938.



MONEY TALK

Good afternoon and welcome to Kenilworth Road for the today's important game against York City in the Blue Square Bet Premier.

I'd like to extend a warm welcome to Gary Mills, his staff and players, plus the directors and supporters of York to Bedfordshire for this early kickoff.

Gary has done an excellent job in the short time he's been in the hot seat at Bootham Crescent and their rise up the table is no surprise. They are winning games and not conceding many goals. To say today's game will be tough one is an understatement.

This afternoon we resume league action for the first time since 20th November when we beat Histon. Since then we have had two fixtures postponed and taken part in four cup ties.

It means we will need to rearrange fixtures for later in the season and that is where our squad will really come into its own - we could be in a situation like we were last year where we're playing two games a week.

Having played four successive cup ties in two different competitions it will be a welcome return to playing league football. It's a huge cliché but this is our bread and butter and our absolute main priority.

The Christmas and New Year period is one of the most crucial times for any club and of course matches are no exception. After today's game against a side who pipped us in the semi-finals of the Play-Offs last season, we have two games against Rushden & Diamonds - themselves Play-Off semi-finalists last season - and tomorrow who have already beaten us earlier in the campaign.

It is absolutely vital that we maintain the current level of performance that we have seen over the past few months during this time, if we are to maintain our strong position in the league table.

Our win over Histon was achieved in some style and that put us in good stead for the trip to Charlton in which the players were magnificent to earn a replay following a superb 2-2 draw at the Valley.

In the replay here I was hugely frustrated to lose the game in the manner in which we did because on the balance of play - not just on that night but over the two games against Phil Parkinson's side - I thought we deserved to go through.

I firmly believe the best team lost and whilst it was disappointing for everyone to miss out on a third round tie at Tottenham we can hold our heads high, knowing we put a side likely to be playing Championship football next season through two lots of demanding 90 minutes of football.

Without wanting to sound like sour grapes their final two goals, both deflections, perhaps summed up our night. Sometimes you know when things like that happen it isn't going to be your night. But we move on and we wish Charlton well in the next round of the competition.

After two consecutive games against Charlton we had two successive ties against Welling United in the FA Trophy.

I said in the lead-up to the first game last Sunday that the competition would be the ideal stepping stone for our young players to get some match experience and over the two

matches I could not be more delighted with the way they conducted themselves.

Alex Lacey, Cauley Woodrow, Newman Carney, JJ O'Donnell, Jordan Patrick, Godfrey Poku and Dan Walker were excellent and their performances over the two games will give us another chance to look at them again when we play Uxbridge in the next round come January.

We don't want to take any competition or opposition lightly; we feel our young players are more than match for anyone and the result in the replay at Welling on Tuesday was fantastic given we went a goal down. As I said after both games, it would have been a tough game for our full first team to get a result from.

Your support in all the games recently, given the cold weather especially, has been fantastic. Please keep it up today.

As this afternoon is our last home game before Christmas I'd like to take the opportunity to wish you all and your families a very Merry Christmas and look forward to seeing you all back here against Tamworth.

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Runners-up 1913/14

FROM THE BOARDROOM

Good morning (not often we say that in the programme notes!) and welcome to today's important league match against York City.

Our last meeting has unhappy memories for us, as we all know, when a crowd invasion followed our Play-Off semi final defeat and the behaviour of a few so-called fans degenerated into ugly scenes which did no credit at all to the club.

That is all in the past now. We weren't proud of what happened here on that afternoon back in May and we apologised to all concerned.

We accept that events looked terrible as they were beamed out live on television, but we were

Had we taken all our chances in the first half, we could well have been out of sight at the break and made it through to an enticing tie at Spurs in the third round.

Sadly, it was not to be, but I'm told the Charlton camp said, with some sincerity, we were the best side they'd played all season - and that's some compliment since they play two divisions above us.

On an individual note, I was pleased to bump into two of our old boys on the night - Tim Breacker, who's now a member of the Charlton coaching staff - and Gary Doherty, who played in the game.

“AMAZINGLY, THANKS TO THE WEATHER AND THE VARIOUS CUPS, IT'S FOUR WEEKS SINCE WE LAST PLAYED A LEAGUE MATCH.”

later exonerated as a club by the Football Association because they recognised we had done everything we possibly could beforehand to avoid trouble. Even so, we genuinely regret the fact that the incidents marred an exciting and successful day for all those associated with York City.

So a warm welcome today to their players, directors and supporters and let's hope the memories from today will be of a cracking football match - something we've come to expect here at Kenilworth Road, not least last week when we played Charlton Athletic in the FA Cup.

I thought our performance in the first half was sensational. The front runners from League 1 had no answer to our pace and flair, even though they'd already seen it some 11 days earlier at the Valley.

them for not giving up. Next up in the FA Trophy it's Uxbridge at home in January.

Someone we're still waiting to see on the field is Charlie Henry who joined us at the end of November from Newport County.

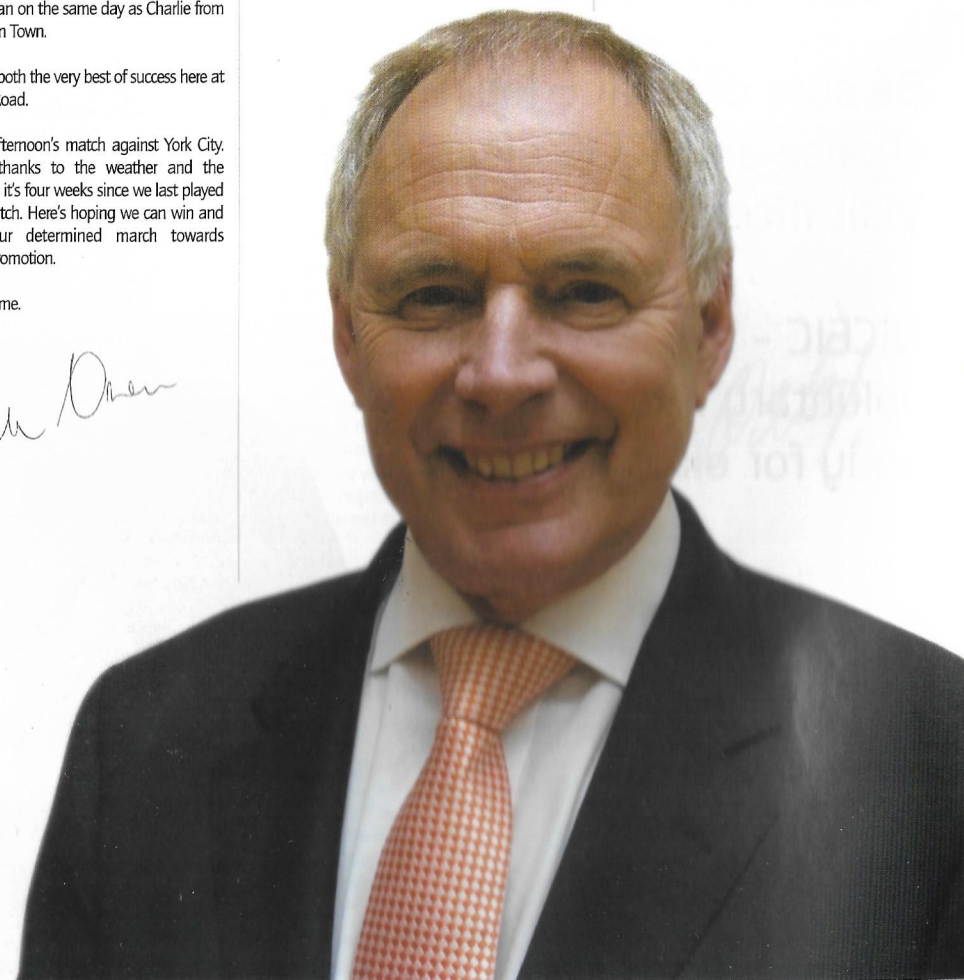
Charlie's recovering from a foot injury at the moment, but I'd like to take this opportunity to welcome him and Craig Hinton to the club. Craig signed on loan on the same day as Charlie from Northampton Town.

I wish them both the very best of success here at Kenilworth Road.

So to this afternoon's match against York City. Amazingly, thanks to the weather and the various cups, it's four weeks since we last played a league match. Here's hoping we can win and continue our determined march towards automatic promotion.

Enjoy the game.

Nick Owen



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CAPTAIN SPEAKING

It's good to be back playing a game in the league after four successive cup fixtures and what an exciting game it promises to be this afternoon.

York have gone through a managerial change this season with the appointment of Gary Mills who has already masterminded a victory over us whilst in charge of Tamworth this season.

Of course we have disappointing memories of facing York when they edged us out of the Play-Offs last season when they won both legs to progress to Wembley.

They won't want to be reminded of the disappointment they had to contend with in the wake of the Promotion final defeat to Oxford and with that in mind, we need to be wary of the threat they will pose us.

After four meetings last season we know plenty about their personnel but luckily for us we have a little bit of inside knowledge from Alex Lawless on the way they are playing under their new manager. Their results have steadily improved of late which was highlighted by the fact Gary took manager of the month and goalkeeper Michael Ingham took the player of the month prize recently.

But as we always say, we don't like concentrating all our focus on what the opposition are capable of. We are confident in the squad we have that we can cause teams problems and that was more than highlighted in our two games against Charlton Athletic.

It was a hugely disappointed dressing room after the replay where we all thought our efforts on the night deserved better.

Sometimes in games you don't get the rub of the green and it was a major blow when we allowed them to equalise a minute before half-time, especially having dominated possession up until that point and restricted them to little more than half chances.

We started the second half well but their deflected goal knocked the stuffing out of us and a third goal - also deflected, this time off the wall from a free-kick, rubbed salt in the wounds.

Understandably we all wanted to earn the club a money-spinning tie at Tottenham and reward you, the supporters, with a day out at White Hart Lane.

I thought the manager though summed it up nicely afterwards when telling the press that we have just an equally important game at Bath City instead now and that's the way we have to look at things. It certainly puts things into perspective and underlines our priorities and what is more important this season.

Ask any of the players, staff or yourselves what you would prefer. A day out at Spurs or promotion come the end of the season?

After the two games against Charlton we had two cup ties against Welling United in which a very young squad did the club proud by earning a place in the next round of the FA Trophy.

I was very impressed with the way our young players performed in both ties against a side that are flying high in the league below us.

Having personally already featured in three matches against Corby and St Albans - two teams from the same level as Welling - I must commend all the players on getting

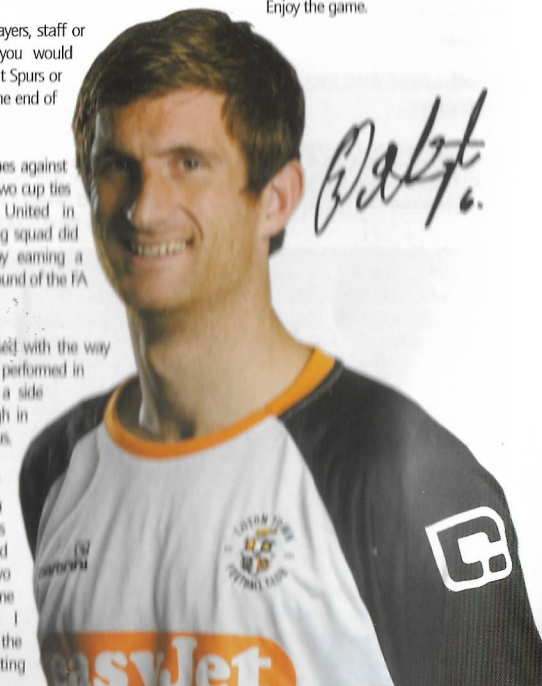
through to the next round.

We want to get as far as we can in all the competitions we enter and the FA Trophy is no different and if we can go on a run in it with our young players then it would be fantastic for the club. With the final at Wembley it's a massive incentive for every club, ourselves included.

Today is our last game before Christmas so on behalf of all the lads I'd like to wish you all a very Merry Christmas.

Your support home and away so far this season has been incredible. Please keep it up and get behind us once more for this important game this afternoon.

Enjoy the game.



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HATTERS CHATTER

GOLDEN GAMBLE UPDATE

Since our home fixture with Histon on 20th November we have had three lucky winners of our popular Golden Gamble.

Over £1,300 was won across the games with Histon, Charlton and Welling with Sandra Fourniss taking £655 of it when picking up the cash when her ticket 16348 was drawn out when the Stutes were in Town for our last league fixture.

Jim Basterfield walked away with £510 after his ticket 17083 was plucked out of the barrel at half-time against Charlton whilst Ewan Mapdock picked up £195 when his ticket - number 18816 - was first out when Welling came to Kenilworth Road.

Our sellers will be around the ground again this afternoon so make sure you buy your ticket to stand a chance of winning a big prize.



NEW DATES

Since we were last in action at Kenilworth Road two of our Blue Square Bet Premier fixtures that were postponed have been found new dates.

The trip to current league leaders AFC Wimbledon, originally scheduled for 30th November will now take place at Kingsmeadow on Tuesday 11th January with a 7.45pm kickoff.

Meanwhile the home fixture with Darlington, postponed after both clubs were involved in FA Cup action at the end of November, will take place at Kenilworth Road on Tuesday 1st February 2011 with a 7.45pm kickoff.

If these new dates weren't enough another two fixtures have been rearranged.

The home game with Barrow - originally scheduled for Saturday 5th February 2011 will now take place on Friday 4th February with a 7.45pm kickoff.

And last but by no means least our

forthcoming away trip to Hayes & Yeading United has been put back a day.

Instead of a 3pm kickoff on Bank Holiday Monday 3rd January it will be a 7.45pm start on Tuesday 4th at Church Road.

ONWARDS AND UXBRIDGE

The Town's success in the FA Trophy replay over Welling United on Tuesday night means another home tie at Kenilworth Road for Richard Money's side.

The second round tie, which will take place on Saturday 15th January, will be against Zamaretto League Division One Central side Uxbridge.

Ticket prices for this game will be made available in due course.

SING UP

After a twoyear absence, and as part of our 125th anniversary celebrations, we will be holding our Christmas Carol Service next week.

The service will be conducted by our Club Chaplin and former player Alan West and will be held at the Luton Christian Fellowship Church on Monday 20th December.

The service will begin at 7pm and will include the attendance of some of the first team players and management plus readings and Christmas carols. The service will be followed with refreshments and mince pies.

FESTIVAL OPENING HOURS

The ticket office and club shop have revealed their opening times over the Christmas and New Year period:

Christmas Eve: 10am-1pm,

Christmas Day: closed,

Boxing Day: closed,

27th December: 10am-1pm,

28th December: Tamworth match open from 9am

New Year's Eve: 10am-1pm

New Year's Day: Rushden match open from 9am

2nd January: closed

3rd January: 9am-12noon.

DALE ROBERTS

Everyone at Luton Town Football Club would also like to send their condolences to the family and friends of Rushden & Diamonds goalkeeper Dale Roberts who died aged 24 on Tuesday.

An England C international, Dale had become team-mates with a number of the Town players. The club would like to send their thoughts to everyone connected with the Nene Park club at this sad time.

SEASON TICKET SAVING

Stuck for Christmas ideas? The ticket office have two perfect gift ideas for all non season ticket holders.

The first is a season ticket for the remainder of the Blue Square Bet Premier season starting from the News Year's Day home game against Rushden & Diamonds.

Why not treat a fan to the Town's push for

promotion back to the Football League with a guaranteed seat to all the remaining home league games and priority on all away tickets (subject to availability) plus 10% discount on all merchandise purchased from our Club Shop.

Prices:

Adult: £168, Senior (Over 65) £120, Young Adult (Under 22) £120, Golden Senior (Over 75) £84, Unaccompanied Youth (Under 17) £48, Accompanied Youth (Under 17) £24.

Our second option is our popular fivegame voucher books for the fan who can't make every game.

The book saves 10% on matchday tickets and is flexible to which games you attend and where you sit.

Prices:

Adult £81, Senior (Over 65) £58, Young Adult (Under 22) £58.50, Golden Senior (Over 75) £45, Youth (Under 17) £36, Junior (Under 10) £22.50.

For more information please contact the Ticket Office direct on 01582 416976.

BEAT THE COLD

There's no doubt it will be cold at Kenilworth Road this afternoon and over the festive period. With that in mind the Club Shop are delighted to have received a brand new batch of Hatters winter warmers to keep the freezing temperatures at bay.

Not one but three new designs of scarves are available at just £12.99.

Add to that, a new woolly hat at £7.99 and why not complete the look with some elegant gloves for just £4.99.

There are also some trendy fleeces to keep you warm, too.

Full zip or quarterzip ones are available: full zipped are £32.99 for adults and £26.99 for children. Quarterzipped are £29.99 for adults and £24.99 for children.

REST IN PEACE

It is with sadness to report the death of Town supporter Ken Stanford who died on Sunday 5th December aged 89.

Ken was born in Luton in January 1921 and lived in Biscot Road, Luton and attended his first match at the age of four, with his father, also a Luton fan and remained a loyal supporter ever since.

He attended home games regularly throughout his life until he moved to Poole in Dorset a few years ago.

Although separated from his beloved club he kept up-to-date with all the club news by getting the local papers sent to him and listening to the match reports on the radio.

Ken was very upset when the Town dropped out of the league and desperately wanted to see us return there.



INTRODUCING YORK CITY

HISTORY

After being founded in 1922 York joined the Football League seven years later, there they remained until the Minstermen finally lost their status as a League club following relegation from League 2 in 2003/04.

After a 17th place finish in their first season in the Conference they missed out on the Play-Offs by three places in 2005/06.

The following season, however, the Minstermen did make the end-of-season lottery but lost at the semi-final stage to Morecambe, who went onto win promotion themselves.

In 2007/08 City failed to replicate the form of the previous campaign and ended up marooned in mid-table, eventually finishing 14th.

The following season saw another frustrating league campaign in the Conference for the Bootham Crescent faithful when they finished in 17th place, narrowly avoiding the drop with a late resurgence in form, towards the tail end of the season, helping them survive.

A rather disappointing start was made to the 2009/10 season with just one win in the opening five games but an unbeaten run of nine matches lifted City into the top five. A club record of eight successive league wins sent Play-Off hopes soaring but a lean spell in February of two draws and four defeats caused them to slip to sixth.

The Minstermen got back on track with a vital win at Mansfield Town and in the closing weeks secured their top five position. Convincing victories in the final run in included a 5-0 home crushing of AFC Wimbledon and 4-0 at Grays Athletic.

The Hatters were beaten twice in the Play-Off semi-final by York, only for the club to fall at the first hurdle against Oxford in the Promotion Final.

LAST MEETING:

03/04/10
LUTON TOWN 0-1 YORK CITY (AGG 0-2)

The Hatters failed in their bid to regain their Football League status at the first attempt as Chris Lambert's goal two minutes after the break gave York a 2-0 aggregate victory in this Play-Off

semi-final second leg. Tom Craddock had the first sniff for the Town on 14 minutes, snatching at a shot which went wide of the post after Simon Heslop had picked him out with a lovely pass on the edge of the area.

On 22 minutes the Hatters should have levelled the aggregate score when Claude Gnaka beat David McGurk to the ball on the edge of the penalty with the ball dropping kindly for Kevin Gahan who saw a shot well saved by Michael Ingham.

A half-chance from a header from Gnaka got the crowd off their feet on 31 minutes and 10 minutes later a fine passing move around the York penalty area saw Jake Howells drive a dangerous cross goalwards that was eventually cleared.

York responded in first half stoppage time, again through Brodie. This time the BSP's top striker did brilliantly to twist and turn past Freddie Murray and Shane Blackett to blast a shot straight at Tyler.

Goalless at the interval it may have been, but two minutes after the restart Hatters hearts sunk to new depths as York doubled their aggregate advantage.

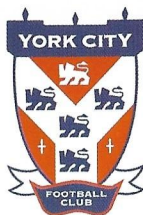
Winning a free-kick on the edge of the 18 yard box, Rankine stepped up and arrowed a fierce free-kick that whistled through the Town's wall. The ball bounced off Tyler, running free to the quickest man to it.

Unfortunately for the Hatters that man was Carruthers. The blond haired left-footer had the simple task of poking the loose ball home to send the 1,400 supporters from Yorkshire into ecstasy.

The Hatters huffed and puffed but couldn't find an equaliser despite decent opportunity for Craddock and Asa Hall and it was City who were celebrating reaching the Promotion Final.

Hatters: Tyler, Newton, Pilkington, Blackett, Murray, Gnaka, Heslop (sub Hall), Keane, Howells (sub Hatch); Gallen (sub Barnes-Homer), Craddock. **Subs not used:** Kovacs, Gore.

York: Ingham, Rankine (sub Gash), Graham, Purkiss, Brodie, Meredith, Carruthers, McGurk, Lawless (sub Sangare), Mackin, Barrett (sub Parslow). **Subs not used:** Mimms, Pitt.



MEET THE MANAGER:

GARY MILLS

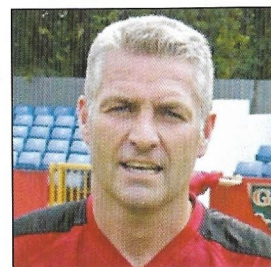
Appointed manager in succession to Martin Foyle in mid-October 2010, Gary had a distinguished playing career and as an 18-year-old played in the 1980 European Cup final for Nottingham Forest when they beat SV Hamburg to lift the trophy.

A midfielder he was capped for England at Under-21 level and went on to play for Derby County, Notts County and Leicester City as well as a spell in the USA with Seattle Sounders. In total he made 477 Football League appearances - 37 goals (1978-1995).

His first managerial appointment was with Grantham whom he led to the Southern League (Midland) title in 1998.

He then moved to Kings Lynn before joining Tamworth for his first spell as manager of the Lambs in 2001. A period as first-team coach at Coventry City followed before his appointment as boss of Notts County in 2004 and then after managing Alfreton Town he returned to Tamworth in January 2007.

He was unable to save the club from relegation from the Conference Premier that season but in 2009 he guided the Lambs back to the top tier of non-league football when they were Blue Square North Champions.



With seven wins from their first 10 home games of the season very few clubs have been able to leave Kenilworth Road having taken points off the Hatters this term.

Taking out the unlucky defeat at the hands of Charlton Athletic in the FA Cup and the last gasp loss inflicted by Crawley and you have to go back to York's victory in the Play-Offs for the last time Luton players will really feel they were beaten on their own patch.

The Minstermen arrive for the first time since that day with the experience still fresh in their minds and, led by new boss Gary Mills - who has already masterminded one victory over the Town this season in his previous role at Tamworth - the game is nicely set up for both teams.

Of course there are still only three points available for this afternoon's victors but both camps this week have identified that the game does have a bit of extra spice to it - but for all the right reasons.

Speaking in the build-up to the match, Mills told the Press: "They will be out for some revenge after the Play-Off defeat and we have to make sure they don't get it."

"That's what the game is about as long as the battle. I put my team out to play with the passion, commitment and desire needed to win a game of football and, with our ability, I think we can get a result there."

The Hatters have suffered just five defeats on home soil in all competitions in the whole of 2010 but Mills sees no reason why can't repeat his success from August, when Tamworth became the first team to beat Richard Money's team, when winning at the Lamb.

"They are a big club with a big fan base who should be the title favourites in this division," added the former Leicester City man.

"But I've already beaten them 3-1 with Tamworth this season and deservedly so. I want to beat them 3-1 again and I think we can do."

"It's not daunting going to Kenilworth Road. They are not going to be any better than Rotherham and we've got to go to Luton with the same attitude and level of organisation we had when we went there."



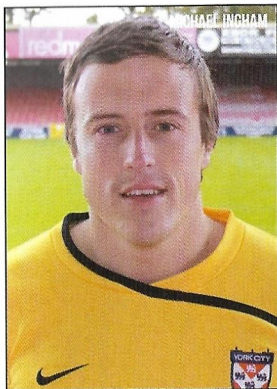
GARY MILLS

NEW CITY BOSS HOLDS NO FEAR

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GOALKEEPER

Michael Ingham



Now in his third season at Bootham Crescent after joining the club from Hereford United in the summer of 2008.

He's been capped twice for Northern Ireland and had a spell on loan with City from Sunderland in 2002/03 making 17 appearances. He helped his side to the Play-Offs last season after keeping 25 clean sheets and then led them out in the Final at Wembley.

He was voted "Clubman of the Year" last season and was the Conference Player of the Month for November.

DEFENDERS

David McGurk

The club's longest-serving player having first appeared for City on loan from Darlington in 2004/05. The following campaign he had a full season on loan from the Quakers before signing a permanent deal in August 2006. He has twice helped the club reach the Play-Offs plus the FA Trophy final in 2009.

David Parslow

A former Wales Under 21 international, he is in his fifth season at Bootham Crescent having joined the club from Cardiff City in the summer of 2006. He has also featured in Play-Off campaigns for the club and captured the side when they reached the FA Trophy final.

Djoumin Sangare

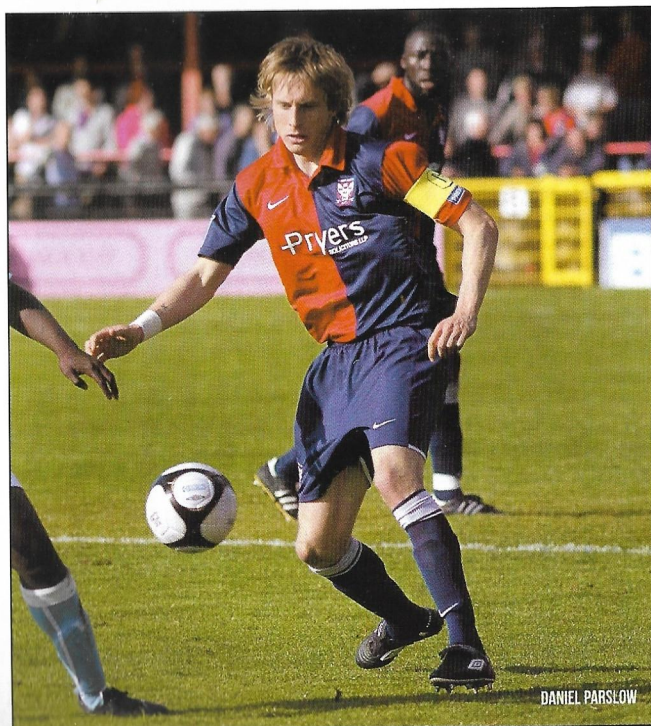
The French born defender is now in his second season at York after joining at the start of last season. He played professional football for Wasquehal in the 3rd Division of the French League and then after a short spell at Lewes he joined Grays Athletic. He has played for Stafford Rangers and Salisbury City.

James Meredith

A left sided defender who was a virtual ever present for the club last season after signed from Shrewsbury Town in the summer of 2009. He was born in Australia and started his career as a youngster with Derby County. After a loan period at Chesterfield and a spell with Irish club Sligo Rovers he joined the Shrews in 2007.

Chris Smith

He rejoined City in October 2010 on loan from Mansfield Town, until the end of the season and was immediately appointed captain. He started his career as a trainee at Leeds United and



enjoyed a spell with Reading before moving to Bootham Crescent in 2001. He left when the club dropped out of the League and has since had spells at Stafford Rangers, Worcester City and Tamworth.

Greg Young

A close season signing from Altrincham, where he had spent the last two years. He started as a youngster with Sheffield Wednesday and made his Football League debut with Grimsby Town in 2003. He helped Halifax Town reach the Conference Play-Off final in 2006 before moving to Moss Lane.

MIDFIELDERS

Jamal Pyfield

Another recent acquisition who joined City from Conference South club Maidenhead United in September. He is equally at home at either left back or left side of midfield and scored on his debut in a win at Tamworth.

Peter Till

He joined the club from Walsall in the close season, where he made 30 appearances last season. He graduated through the academy at Birmingham City and had loan spells with Scunthorpe United, Boston United and Leyton Orient before signing for Grimsby Town in 2007.

He helped The Mariners reach the Johnstone's Paint Trophy final the following season. He enjoyed a spell on loan at Chesterfield before joining Walsall. He is equally at home on either flank and can also play up front.

Daniel Racchi

He joined the club in September after two seasons at Bury, where he made 49 appearances, including 42 in League 2. He started his career at Huddersfield Town and made six substitute appearances.

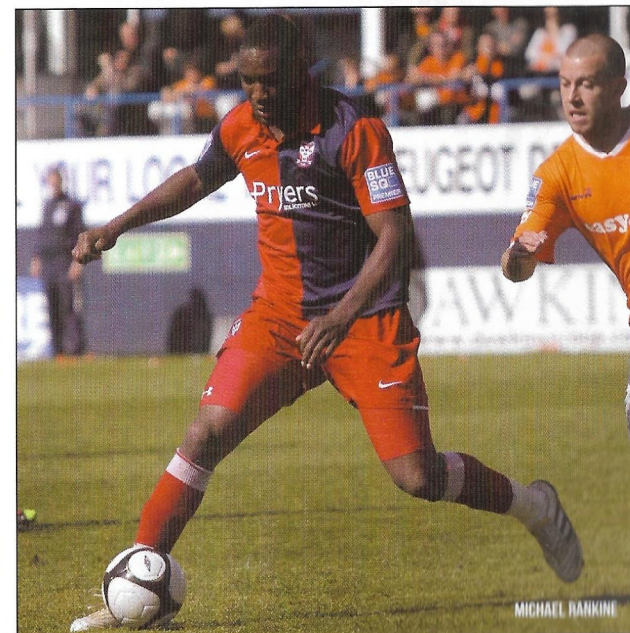
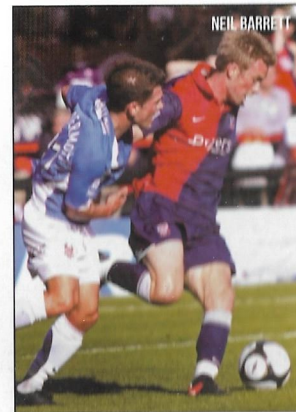
Neil Barrett

A former England schoolboy international who started his career as a youngster at Chelsea, before moving to Portsmouth in 2001. He made a number of Championship appearances for the Fratton Park club.

He later had spells with Dundee, Livingston and Woking before joining Ebbsfleet in 2007 helping United win the FA Trophy in his first season. He joined City in the summer of 2009

Jonathan Smith

A close season signing from Forest Green Rovers, where he had spent three years. He came through the ranks at Morecambe youth



scheme and before joining Rovers, he's also had loan spells with Fleetwood Town and Bamber Bridge.

STRIKERS

Michael Rankine

He joined City in the summer of 2009 from Rushden & Diamonds, where he had spent three seasons. He started his career at Barrow before moving to Scunthorpe United in 2004, making just one start.

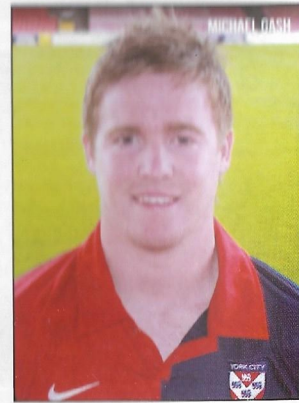
He spent three seasons at Rushden scoring 31 goals in over 120 appearances. Last season he finished second in the scoring charts with 10 goals.

Leon Constantine

An experienced striker who joined the club in September, having left Hereford United in the summer. He started his career at Millwall and went on to play for Brentford, Southend United, Peterborough United, Torquay United, Port Vale, Leeds United, Northampton Town before arriving at Edgar Street. He scored on his debut in the 2-0 win over Rushden.

Michael Gash

A £55,000 capture from Ebbsfleet United in July 2009. He started his career at Cambridge City before joining neighbours Cambridge United in 2006. A year later he returned to City and hit 27 goals during the 2007/08 season before signing for Ebbsfleet. Fitness and injury problems hampered his first season at Bootham Crescent and he's scored just seven times in 52 league appearances.



COMMERCIAL BREAK

Good afternoon and welcome back to Kenilworth Road to all supporters and our sponsors and corporate guests for our first home league game in almost a month.

Since that 5-1 win over Histon we have had two fantastic matches with Charlton Athletic and progressed to the second round of the FA Trophy after beating Welling United.

Today is our last game before Christmas – our busiest time of year. We have been besieged with supporters enquiring about the availability of our matchday boxes, sponsorship and hospitality for today's game our two matches over the festive period.

Tamworth are the visitors on Tuesday 28th December whilst Rushden & Diamonds arrive on New Year's Day. Both matches are sure to be popular and packages and a few do still remain.

Interest from a commercial point of view in this game has been one of the biggest we have encountered for league match recently with supporters snapping up the match and matchball sponsorship packages within days of the fixture list being released.

Remember you too can enjoy all the benefits of watching a game from this unique vantage point at Kenilworth Road – please get in touch on the number and email below.

Once again we have the pleasure of having the continued support of match and match ball sponsors as well as a commercial mascot this afternoon.

That just leaves me to say I hope you all enjoy your entertainment with us today and I wish you all a very Merry Christmas.

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COMMERCIAL MASCOT **BEN LOCKWOOD**



Please welcome our mascot this afternoon who is Ben Lockwood who celebrates his 11th birthday today.

Ben is from Luton and his hobbies include football,

watching the Hatters, tennis and playing computer games.

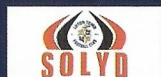
His favourite player is Andy Drury and Ben will get to meet Andy and the rest of the squad in the dressing room before the match before leading the team out onto the pitch prior to kickoff.

We hope you have a wonderful day with us Ben.

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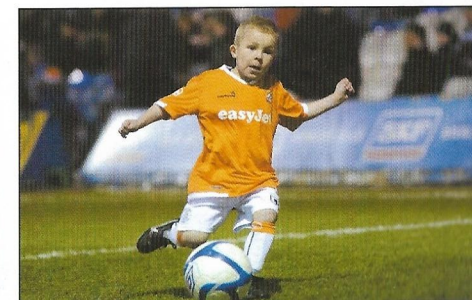


SPONSORS' GALLERY

Our FA Cup second round replay against Charlton proved to be very popular with corporate guests and match sponsors enjoying the pre and postmatch fun in our suites and lounges. Gareth Owen was standing by to capture the action.



Mascot Cade Ewington and dad Mark pictured with Richard Money.



Cade in perfect poise on the Kenilworth Road pitch.



Our mascot lines up with the captains, officials and Happy Harry.



Dan Walker and JJ O'Donnell present Cade with a signed programme.



Dan and JJ present a competition winner with a signed home shirt.

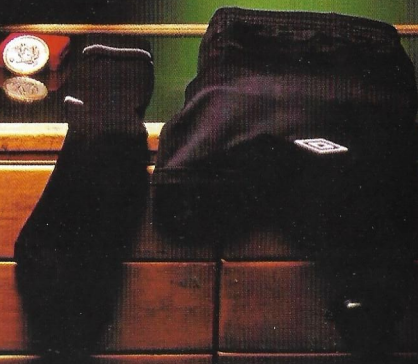


Dan and JJ present a signed ball to a competition winner.

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LUTON TOWN 1



CHARLTON ATHLETIC 3

KROCA 38

WAGSTAFF 44, ANYINSAH 66, JACKSON 80

FA CUP SECOND ROUND REPLAY

KENILWORTH ROAD, THURSDAY 9TH DECEMBER 2010 ATT: 5,914

MONEY TALK

"It's very disappointing for the players, staff, supporters and the football club because to be honest the best team by a long way over the two games has gone out but that's football. If you look at the goals they've scored you just think to yourself it's not going to be your night and it as it was it turned out that it wasn't ours."

LINE-UPS

Luton Town: Tyler, Gleeson, Howells, Kroca, Pilkington, Drury, Gnaka, Morgan-Smith (sub Poku 70), Barnes-Homer, Crow (sub Atieno 75).

Subs not used: Hinton, Besta, Lacey, Walker, Kidd.

Charlton Athletic: Elliott, Francis, Jackson, Semedo, Wagstaff, Racon (sub McCormack 90), Doherty, Benson (sub Abbott 60), Fry, Anyinsah (sub Sodje 83), Fortune. **Subs not used:** Ilera, Reid, Mambo, Womer.

POSSESSION

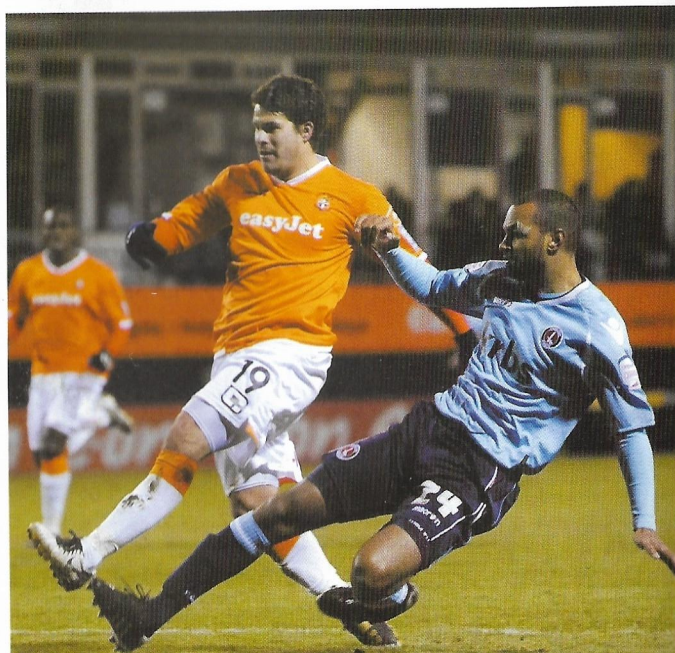
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SPONSORS' MAN OF THE MATCH

DANNY CROW

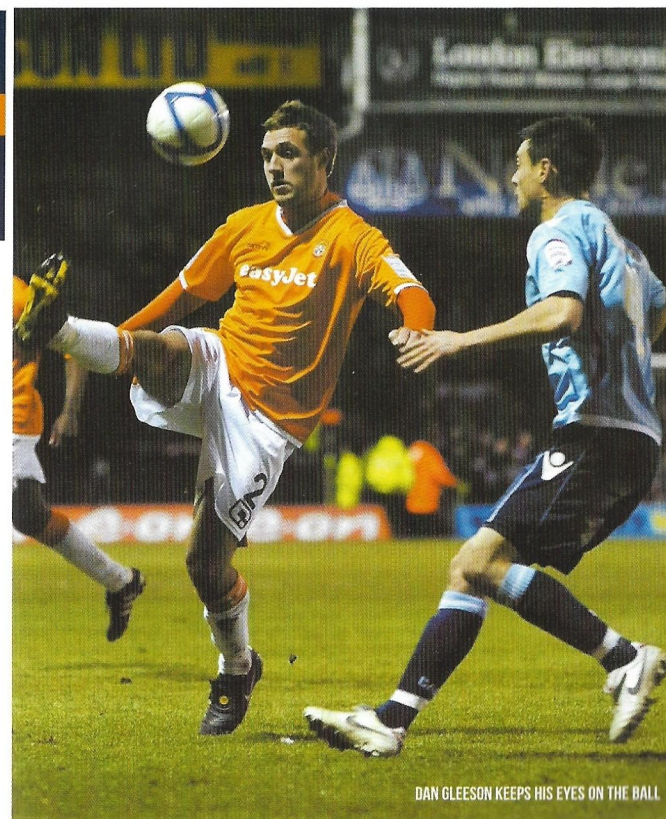
The striker was a constant pest to the Charlton defence and came within a lick of point to scoring when his terrific shot cannoned back off the under side of the crossbar with the score still goalless.



DANNY CROW FENDS OFF JONATHAN FORTUNE



ZDENEK KROCA FIRES THE HATTERS AHEAD



DAN GLEESON KEEPS HIS EYES ON THE BALL



CHARLTON GET TO GRIPS WITH MATTHEW BARNES-HOMER

MATCH REPORT

The Town's dream of a FA Cup third round meeting with Tottenham Hotspur was ended as League 1 Charlton came from a goal down to progress at a cold Kenilworth Road.

The Town started superbly and dominated from the first whistle and should have taken the lead when Keith Keane saw a freekick tipped over by Rob Elliott in the Addicks goal.

On 22 minutes they came even closer to breaking the deadlock when Danny Crow rattled the bar with a fantastic shot from 12 yards that looked destined to hit the back of the net.

However as they continued to press the Town deservedly took the on 38 minutes when Zdenek Kroca smashed home with powerful shot from five yards after a melee in Charlton penalty area following a Andy Drury corner.

But a goal up and the halftime break approaching, it was against the run of play that the visitors equalised when Scott Wagstaff was left too much room to nod home Simon Francis' right wing cross a minute before the interval.

The Hatters started the second half well though and Elliott again came to the Addicks' rescue on 52 minutes when acrobatically tipping over George Pilkington's header from 12 yards.

Still the Town continued to press and the lively Amar Morgan-Smith, who it was later revealed fractured a cheekbone in the first minute of the match, saw a superb floating effort from outside the area graze the outside of post and bar.

Charlton boss Phil Parkinson threw on striker Pawel Abbott and that change gave the visitors a new dimension and on 66 minutes they took the lead to complete the turnaround when Joe Anyinsah touched home a low drive from Matt Fry to put them ahead for the first time on the night.

Still the Town saw plenty of the ball but the sucker punch arrived with 10 minutes to go when Johnnie Jackson saw his freekick, from the edge of the area, take a huge deflection and the ball landed up unfortunately in the back of Mark Tyler's net.

The Hatters huffed and puffed in search of a reply but Elliott wasn't seriously tested and come the final whistle it was the Londoners celebrating victory and a trip to White Hart Lane.

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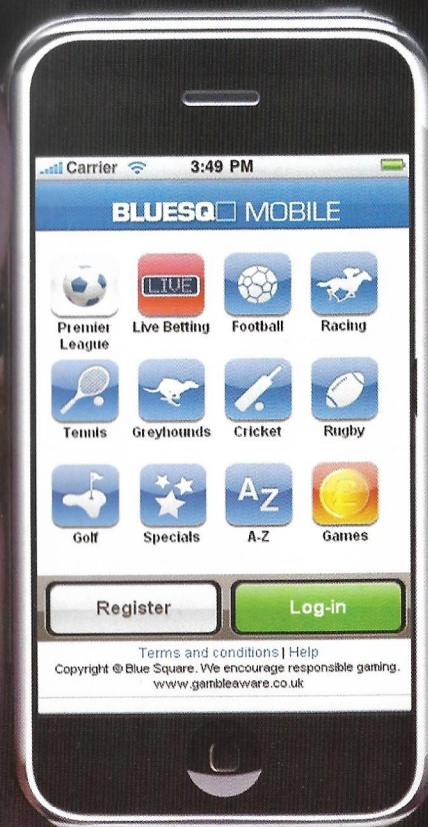
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POST-MATCH REACTION

Luton's participation in this season's FA Cup may be over but over the two games against Charlton they proved there was little to pick between them and the League 1 side.

There was plenty of disappointment at missing out on a trip to White Hart Lane but also plenty of positives to take as they look to continue their push for promotion.

Midfielder Keith Keane has played in plenty of cup games at Luton but was hoping for at least one more.

"It's always disappointing to lose when you have played so well, but you have just got to take it on the chin and get on with the next game," he told Hatters Player afterwards.

"We went 1-0 up, playing really well and we were full of confidence especially after what happened in the first game. I thought we gave a good performance we were just unlucky on the night.

"It doesn't matter who you play even if it was a team like Man United you want them to only score good goals against you.

"Personally I couldn't really see them scoring because I thought we defended really well and were playing well, but they just got two lucky deflections and you know that's just what happens sometimes."



Keane has played as high as the Championship with Luton, as recently as 2007 and he admits he enjoyed the chance to pit his wits against a team of the quality of Charlton.

"Sometimes you start thinking am I good enough to play in League 1 again and that's why you like to test yourself against better teams or supposedly better teams and I think we more than held our own.

"On another day we could have won and I think it gave everyone a lot of confidence and you know there are a lot of players in our team that could easily play at that level.

"It's easy to get up for games like that, playing at a really nice stadium, all the fans are there, it's a big game so it's really nice and easy to get up for, we have just got to make sure we get up for the games in the Conference, be professional and try and get promoted."

"We hope that we are able to carry on this kind of form into our league fixtures because unlike tonight where we weren't expected to win it's different in the Blue Square Bet Premier.

"The shoe is on the other foot when we are expected to win. If we can recreate the football we have shown in two matches against a team who could be playing Championship football next season, we shouldn't fear anybody."



LUTON TOWN 0



WELLING UNITED 0

FA TROPHY FIRST ROUND

KENILWORTH ROAD, SUNDAY 12TH DECEMBER 2010 ATT: 1,639

MONEY TALK

"Let's be honest, which score do you want me to say that it could've been? We missed a lot of chances and a lot of them from young players who are just starting their careers. I thought they were in the main excellent."

LINE-UPS

Luton Town: Tyler, Hinton, Atieno, Lawless, Howells, Asafu-Adjaye, Besta (sub O'Donnell, 60), J Walker, Lacey, Poku, D Walker. **Subs not used:** Gleeson, Barnes-Horner, Gnakpa, Crow.

Welling United: Stewart, Coyle, Obersteller, Sambrook, Andrews, Parkinson, Fazackerley, Clarke, Cumbers, Pugh (sub Johnson, 80), Pires. **Subs not used:** Obamwonyi, Farrell, Wall, Acheampong.

POSSESSION

60% 40%

SHOTS ON TARGET

4 1

SHOTS OFF TARGET

10 1

CORNERS

6 2

FUILS

6 5

YELLOW CARDS

1 0

RED CARDS

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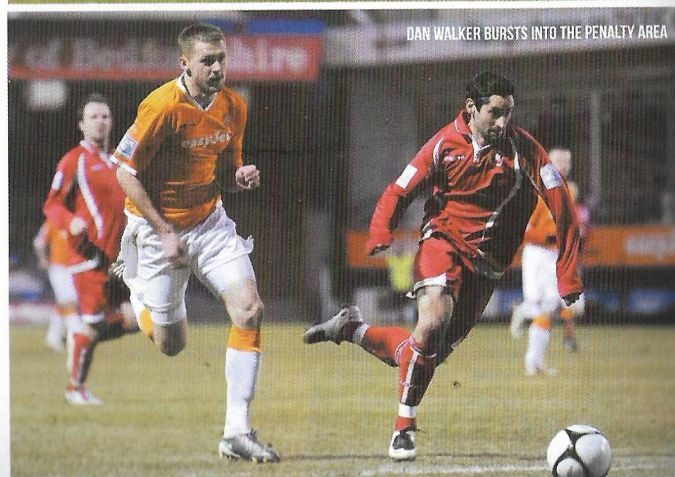
MAN OF THE MATCH

ALEX LACEY

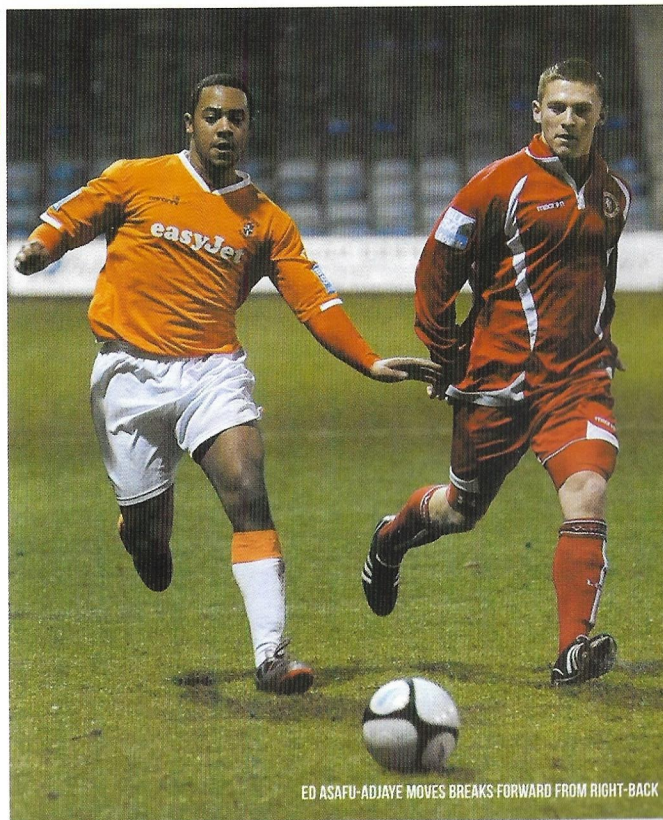
The 17-year-old put in a cool, calm and collected performance at the heart of the Town defence on his senior debut. He didn't put a foot wrong alongside the experienced Craig Hinton.



JASON WALKER BRINGS THE BALL UNDER CONTROL



DAN WALKER BURSTS INTO THE PENALTY AREA



ED ASAFU-ADJAYE MOVES BREAKS FORWARD FROM RIGHT-BACK



TAIWO ATIENO HAS A SHOT

MATCH REPORT

A Town side showing nine changes were unable to break down Blue Square Bet South Welling United at Kenilworth Road in the first round of the FA Trophy.

The two players that kept their place following the Charlton game were goalkeeper Mark Tyler and Jake Howells, who lined-up at left-back, and it was the latter that engineered the first chance of the afternoon when his raking pass to the backpost on five minutes was volleyed wide by Taiwo Atieno.

Welling goalkeeper Gareth Stewart got his gloves warm on 10 minutes when taking a routine catch from Atieno's header but in truth the Town weren't looking their usual selves and Welling were coping with the hosts' attempts to break the deadlock.

Jason Walker and Alex Lawless were trying to make their mark on proceedings and the duo combined well on 21 minutes but the slick one-touch move broke down when Walker tried one pass too many back to Lawless when perhaps a shot would have been a better option.

There were halfhearted shouts for a penalty on 32 minutes when Jason Walker was sent tumbling in the box but five minutes later the best chance of the game fell to Welling, when Loui Fazackerley's in-swinging freekick eluded everyone in the box, and Tyler had to touch the ball around the post.

The Town started the second period with much more purpose and 30 seconds after the restart Stewart had to be alert to expertly repel a header from team-mate Andy Sambrook after the Wings' defender had flung himself to head the ball away to safety.

Atieno spurned a super opportunity to make it 1-0 six minutes later when he latched onto Graham Andrews' misplaced clearance to run through on goal but tapped a shot wide of Stewart's left-hand post.

Two minutes later the Hatters thought they'd finally broken the Wings' resistance when O'Donnell saw a low curling left-shot tipped onto the post by an outstretched hand by Stewart.

The Hatters huffed and puffed in search of a late winner and there was one last chance for the Hatters with a minute left but Howells' freekick from 20 yards went straight down Stewart's throat.

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POST-MATCH REACTION



The goalless draw with Welling wasn't too memorable for many but for Alex Lacey the game will be one he always remembers.

The youngster was making his full debut and capped it with a man of the match performance, which he was understandably delighted with.

The 17-year-old signed professional earlier this season after impressing Richard Money during

preseason and several appearances for the reserves so far have stood him in good stead.

"I'm really happy with the way things went, we seemed to play quite well, so I'm looking forward to the replay," he said.

"I think every time I've been on the bench or played in a reserve match it's been an experience to kind of build up too this kind of moment, and I think playing and training with

the first team every day really helps, you gain a lot of experience of things you should and shouldn't do, I've brought that into the game and it seemed to have worked quite well.

"A few times they tested us, when we were stretched at the back, but I think I dealt pretty well with it at the time.

"Richard Money revealed he would play the same team again for the replay, giving Lacey another start.

"To have another first team start is obviously good for me," he said.

"It's good for my confidence and I think a few of the younger lads will be getting involved as well so that will be good.

"I think the pitch will be the most different, that will probably be a bit more bobbly, a bit more like Corby but I think we will go out there with the thought to win and hopefully our hard work will pay off and we will be coming away with a win to get through to the next round.

Lacey could find himself as one of the more senior players but he'll be looking at the older heads to help him through again.

"I think I'll look to some of the older lads, like Craig Hinton and that sort of people to help me through it again.

"He's really helped, he's always talking to you, you always know what to do when you're next to him, it's really good to play with someone who's played over 400 times in the league so it's a good experience."



WELLING UNITED 1

CUMBERS 45



LUTON TOWN 2

J. WALKER 82, LAWLESS 90

FA TROPHY FIRST ROUND REPLAY

KENILWORTH ROAD, TUESDAY 14TH DECEMBER 2010 ATT: 404

MONEY TALK

"It was a really good effort by the team and let's not forget if you give Welling their five points back they would be top of their league. This isn't an easy place to come even if we had brought our full first team."

LINE-UPS

Luton Town: Tyler, O'Donnell (sub Woodrow 68), Asafu-Adjaye, Hinton, Lacey, Besta (sub Carney 55), D. Walker (sub Patrick 76), Poku, Lawless, J. Walker, Aieno. **Subs not used:** Kidd, Tavernier.

Welling United: Stewart, Coyle, Oberstellar, Day, Andrews, Parkinson, Fazackerley, Clarke, Cumbers, Pires, Healy. **Subs not used:** Johnson, Farrell, Wall, Acheampong.

POSSESSION

45% 55%

SHOTS ON TARGET

2 3

SHOTS OFF TARGET

4 5

CORNERS

6 5

FOULS

9 5

YELLOW CARDS

1 0

RED CARDS

0 0

MAN OF THE MATCH

ALEX LAWLESS

The new signing from York started at rightback before drifting things from central midfield which eventually led to his super match-winning piledriver in the final minute of injury time.



HATTERS PLAYERS SWARM AROUND LEE CLARKE



ALEX LAWLESS GETS A TOE TO THE BALL



DEBUTANT CALEY WOODROW AND LOICK PIRES



MARK TYLER AND LUIS CUMBERS COLLIDE

MATCH REPORT

Alex Lawless' last-gasp winner earned the Hatters a place in the second round of the FA Trophy to complete a dramatic late turnaround against Welling.

The first chance fell to the Town on 12 minutes when Dan Walker saw a 20-yard drive flash past the post and it took another eight minutes for the visitors to threaten again when Jason Walker flicked a header wide of the post from a deep rightwing cross from Alex Lacey.

Welling were enjoying most of the ball but it was the Hatters who had the deader sight of goal and Godfrey Poku fired wide on 27 minutes before the lively O'Donnell sent a curling shot, from the edge of the penalty area, into the arms of Gareth Stewart two minutes later.

Jason Walker saw another header saved by Stewart on 33 minutes but as half-time approached the Wings upped the ante. Loick Pires' saw a solo effort go wide and then they took the lead on the stroke of half-time when Mark Tyler dropped Jack Oberstellar's long ball and Luis Cumbers bundled home.

Welling began the second half like they ended the first and Tyler made amends for his earlier mistake by denying Cumbers by sprinting out and spreading himself well on 54 minutes.

The Town pressed for an equaliser and it duly arrived with eight minutes left when a long ball forward was flicked on twice and landed at the feet of Jason Walker, who fended off the attentions of his marker to send a low shot beyond the right hand of Stewart and in off the post.

As the clock ticked down it seemed inevitable that an extra 30 minutes would be required to separate the teams until one last attack won it for the Town with seconds remaining of three added minutes.

Newman Carney's rightwing corner was half-cleared to Lawless 20 yards out who steadied himself before arrowing a shot through the bodies in the penalty area into the top corner to spark wild celebrations from the Town players and bench.

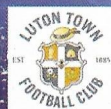


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POST-MATCH REACTION

He's ineligible to feature today against his present employers as part of the agreement between the two clubs but the Town's former York midfielder Alex Lawless was delighted to help a young side beat Welling United in the FA Trophy on Tuesday.

The Hatters' new recruit from Bootham Crescent broke the resistance of the Blue Square Bet South side with a stunning winner deep into injury time at Park View Road to earn a second round trip with Uxbridge in January.

While he shared his disappointment about missing out this afternoon the Town goalscorer was glad to find the target and get some minutes under his belt considering he was cup-tied for the two games against Charlton.

"I'd had a few earlier that were not so good, so it was nice to get one right to be honest," he said afterwards.

"It's always nice to score and I think we were good enough overall to get the result.

"It was good not to have to go to extra-time as you never know what will happen then, especially with the pitch getting a bit frosty.

So we're glad we won."

Lawless felt the Town deserved to earn their place in the next round and admitted how tough it was to come through two challenging periods of 90 minutes against the Wings.

"Welling must be gutted because they didn't half work hard," he said. "I know we've

had two games in three days but they work as well whereas it's a full time job for us.

"We would have liked to taken control a bit earlier but got the goal we needed in the end."

Lawless is now hoping his new side can progress in the competition and has his eyes firmly set on a Wembley appearance.

"York got to the final the season before I arrived there and they were buzzing about it.

"Before you know it, if you keep winning your games, you're one or two games away from the final.

"Jason Walker played there last year, won and scored. I know how ambitious this club are and it's only right that we aim to win every competition we can."

And what was it like for the 25-year-old to be considered one of the senior players on duty over the two games?

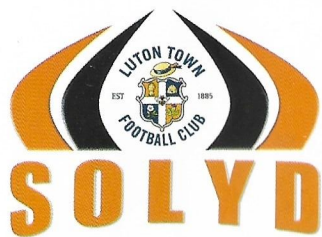
"The young players out there - we had two 16-year-olds, a 17-year-old and an 18-year-old out there come the end - were superb.

"Those of us in the team who had that little bit of experience

were able to pass on some advice but they didn't really need it because they were excellent.

"It stands this club in really good stead as it shows us that even in the youth team we have players who are capable of stepping up to this level and aren't fazed by it at all."



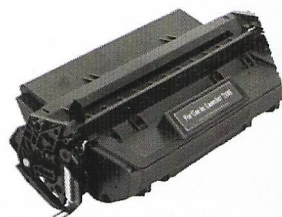
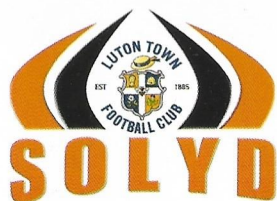


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JUNIOR HATTERS



The Hatters are delighted to reveal that the Junior Hatters will be relaunching - just in time for Christmas!

The popular membership club for young Town fans will kick-off a new beginning with a FREE Christmas party where you get to meet some of the current first-team squad.

The new Junior Hatters Supporters Club will include some brilliant new benefits starting with the free Christmas party where you get to meet some of the current first-team squad.

The Christmas party will be held in the Eric Morecambe lounge starting at 7pm with a disco, food, a Christmas card, a Christmas present and will be hosted by me, the one and only Happy Harry.

Places at the Christmas Party will be limited to the first 80 Junior Hatters, so don't delay, sign up and book your place now.

As well as the Christmas party all Junior Hatters members will receive:

A joining gift of an exclusive Junior Hatters T-shirt or baby bib (depending on age of child)

A monthly mascot package draw - which includes a free kit and hospitality for the Junior Hatter and two adults.

A free adult and child ticket voucher - 1 per season.

A birthday card signed by your favourite player.

Junior Hatters Away Game travel - depending on demand.

Discount on Luton Town's soccer holiday camps.

Exclusive ticketing promotions throughout the season for Junior Hatters members only.

One Matchday Club every month exclusively for Junior Hatters - Football training held at playfootball.net with food in the Junior Hatters room and tickets to a game set in Kenilworth Road End.

The joining fee for all existing members will be £20 and for all new members will be £25. The annual renewal fee for all members will be £20.

All under 5s joining will not have to renew their membership until their 5th birthday and any brother or sisters joining together will receive a 50% discount on joining fee.

To join and to find out more information email James Hatch on james.luton@live.co.uk

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NUMBERS GAME

10 The number of games played previously at Kenilworth Road on this day. The Hatters have five wins, and one defeat and four matches have ended in a draw. Luton have scored 14 goals and conceded just five.

0 The first match, back in 1908, ended goalless when Plymouth Argyle were the visitors in a Southern League fixture.

1 Wallace Birch scored his first goal for Luton against rivals Watford, who were the visitors in 1930 for a Division Three (South) fixture. Jimmy Yardley also netted in a 2-0 victory for the Hatters.

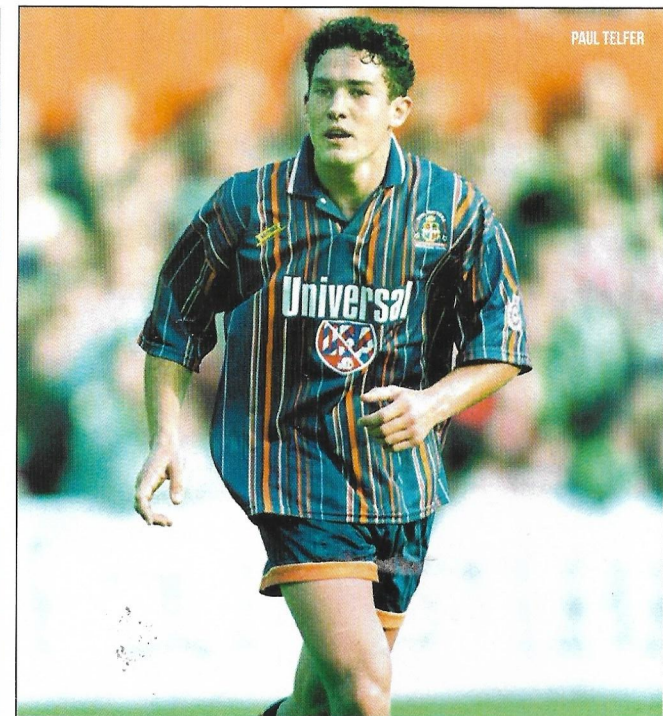
2 Andy Rennie netted both goals in a 2-0 victory in 1933, when Barnsley were beaten in a FA Cup third round replay. The Town beat Tottenham Hotspur and Halifax Town in the next two rounds, before eventually being beaten in the quarter-finals by Everton.

6 The number of goals shared by the two sides when Northampton Town came to Kenilworth Road in 1936 for a Division Three (South) fixture in 1936. Willie Boyd, George Martin and Frederick Roberts were the scorers for the Hatters as they were held to a 3-3 draw.

3 The biggest margin of victory on this day came in 1958 when Aston Villa were beaten 3-0 in a First Division match. Jimmy Adam, Gordon Turner and George MacLeod were the scorers in front of the highest recorded crowd for a fixture at Kenilworth Road on this date, as 16,619 watched the action.

28 The number of years before the Hatters played again on this date, and Aston Villa were the visitors once again. This time goals from Mike Newell and Brian Stein gave Luton a 2-0 victory.

5 It was a League Cup fifth round tie in 1989 when Southampton were the



PAUL TELFER

opponents, as Ricky Hill scored in 1-1 draw. The Hatters won the replay 2-1, with Mick Harford and Hill scoring. Luton went all the way to Wembley that season, after beating West Ham in the semi-finals, but were beaten by Nottingham Forest.

0 The only time that Luton have lost on this day was against West Ham in 1992, their last season in the top flight, as Mike Small scored the only goal of the game for the visitors.

1 Paul Telfer netted as the Hatters won 1-

0 against Southend in the third round of the FA Cup in 1994. The Hatters enjoyed a good run in the competition, after beating Premiership Newcastle and West Ham they were eventually beaten by Chelsea in a Wembley semi-final.

14 The number of years since the Hatters last played at Kenilworth Road on this day.

The fixture was against Wrexham in front of the lowest recorded Kenilworth Road crowd on this date, as 6,167 fans watched a goalless draw.



TAILORED FOR SUCCESS

LUTON GAVE ME THE IDEAL GROUNDING, SAYS MATT TAYLOR

Matt Taylor is undoubtedly one of the biggest recent successes of the Luton Town youth system having gone on to become an established Premier League player since his graduation as a young Hatter.

He left Kenilworth Road in 2002 for Portsmouth and has gone on to play well over 200 times in the topflight with Pompey and

Bolton Wanderers, his current employers.

But getting in the firstteam with Luton at the age of 17 gave him the perfect platform to go on and progress his career.

He had only been at the club for a little over a year having been scouted from his native Oxford and it proved to be just the right move.

"When I moved I had always been used to being at home but I moved into the digs, which was fantastic, and I lived there with Emmerson Boyce for a while," Matt recalled.

"It made you grow up, which was very important. The club itself was in a bit of trouble financially and my first season in the League was my second as a youth team player and we

got shoved in at the deep end.

"If you swam, the world was your oyster so to speak, and I was very fortunate to have the chance to get a game at 17.

"The club itself gave me a fantastic grounding and personally feel so fortunate to have had that at the start of my career and an insight into what football was like.

"Now I have been fortunate enough to be at a Premier League club and the players in the Academy haven't played much football so they go on loan, and it gives you experience.

"At Bolton everything you can imagine is done for you and coming to Luton was a culture shock but it was fantastic because it grounded you.

"If I hadn't had that opportunity I wouldn't appreciate everything I have now and for me it was a fantastic opportunity that fortunately I took."

Youth team manager John Moore was a big influence on Matt's early career, along with other youth management in the shape of Paul Lowe and Dean Rastrick.

All of them helped the young man adapt to his new environment and when it came to the step up to the firstteam, manager Lennie Lawrence was perfectly positioned to know how to handle Matt's development.

"It was a baptism of fire when we went in and we were very fortunate we had a manager in Lennie Lawrence who was very experienced, he looked after you, and knew when to put you in and take you out," Matt continued.

"They didn't really have anyone else to play so I played a lot and really enjoyed it.

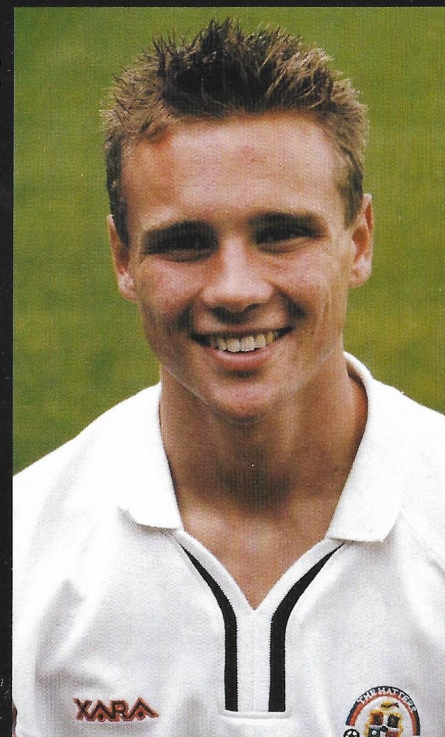
"When you came from playing with your mates at 16 to playing in front of thousands of fans, who I must say were fantastic, it was a great experience.

"To go into that environment at 17 when your mates were at school doing their A Levels was fantastic and it made you want more.

"You have seen the tip of the iceberg and it made you want to strive to better yourself. It was a fantastic opportunity and I can't thank the club enough.

"The only disappointment is I haven't been back as a player since I left but hopefully by the end of my career I will go back and play at Luton."

Matt's Luton debut came in August 1999 away at



Shrewsbury and we took near enough 2,000 fans there.

"That was just a fantastic time in my life and it's not until you get older and finish that I'll reflect on what a good stage it was.

"It gave me a wonderful grounding and I got better as a footballer by playing football as opposed to playing in a reserve team somewhere.

"I was fortunate enough to have the opportunity to play League games and that's how you cut your teeth.

"We had some fantastic games that season after the disappointment of the season before when we had got relegated.

"We were averaging seven and a half thousand fans every week in the bottom tier of English football."

And while Matt is now settled in the north of England as he continues his career at Bolton, he retains his love for Luton and wants this season to be the one that returns the Hatters to the Football League.

Notts County and he was a regular for the season, before missing just one game in 2000/01 as the Hatters were relegated to what was then Division Three.

But his final campaign for the club was a memorable one as he racked up 11 goals in his 43 appearances as the club raced to promotion in second place.

"In the first season I broke into the team under Lennie Lawrence we finished midtable in what was Division Two at the time, but the following season Lennie left, Ricky Hill came in, and unfortunately we got relegated which wasn't great.

"That was a low point but a fantastic time in my career was getting promoted from the old Division Three to Division Two.

"We were fighting with Plymouth Argyle for top spot but they pipped us, and we finished second quite a way ahead of the team in third.

"That for me was a fantastic achievement and my contract was up, so I wanted to test myself at a higher level."

Recalling the promotion success, Matt added: "It was a great feeling. We finished the season at

He said: "I still check the results and see how they're doing as ultimately I still have a soft spot for Luton as it was my first club."

"When I was at the club there was always talk about building a new ground and it seems that because they've never been able to get planning permission, the club hasn't made that step forward.

"If you can get the ground you can generate more resources and attract better players.

"It is great that Nick Owen is there as chairman and that's fantastic as it gives the club stability.

"Hopefully they will now start to see better things coming and we all keep our fingers crossed that they can get promoted back to the League.

"They need to get back - they have got the resources, they have got the fan-base, the chairman and the fans want to see the Football League back at Kenilworth Road and I for one would love to see that.

"I hope that they do achieve League football this season as there is still a very good squad and a good team.

"They can get back into the League, that's where Luton Town belongs."




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NUMBERS GAME

9 The number of games previously played on this date, with the Hatters winning three, drawing three and losing three! The Town have scored 22 goals and conceded 16.

12 The number of goals scored by the two sides when Lincoln City were the visitors in 1897. Luton were comfortable 9-3 winners, as Edwin Birch netted a hat-trick in the Division Two encounter.

0 The only time the Hatters have failed to score during a home game on 18th December was in 1901 when Woolwich Arsenal won 2-0 in an FA Cup replay.

3 It was three apiece when Plymouth Argyle came to Kenilworth Road in 1926 as the sides drew in a Division Three (South) match. Harry Woods scored twice and Syd Reid also netted.

1 Luton also drew their next home match on this date, when Norwich came to Kenilworth Road 11 years later in 1937. The Hatters shared the points with Jack Vinall scoring in a 1-1 draw. This game also saw the highest attendance, 14,492, for a home game on 18th December.

2 Luton had consecutive 2-0 home victories on this day in 1971 and in 1983. Alan Slough and Don Givens were the scorers against Orient in the 1971/72 season, whilst Brian Horton, from the penalty spot, and Trevor Aylott netted against West Brom 12 years later.

1 The number of years that passed between fixtures against West Brom on this date. It's unusual to play on the same date in consecutive years, but as the Hatters had beaten West Brom on a Sunday in 1983, and with the leap year in 1984, the same fixture was played on a Tuesday night the following season.



STEVE FOSTER

This time the visitors took the points with a 2-1 victory. Steve Foster scored his first Luton goal, in only his fourth appearance for the Hatters, after joining from Aston Villa.

The match and the game ended in a 2-2 draw. The visitors took the lead with an early penalty before Darron McDonough equalised for the Hatters.

23 The number of years since the last match at Kenilworth Road on this date. Southampton were the visitors in a top flight

match and the game ended in a 2-2 draw. The visitors took the lead with an early penalty before Mick Harford netted late in the game for a share of the points.



BAYLISS ALWAYS LEARNING

FORMER DEFENDER DAVID BAYLISS TALKS MANAGEMENT, PROMOTION AND AMBITION

David Bayliss' time as a player gave him plenty of opportunities to learn from the men in charge before embarking on his own managerial career.

Not that it's a career path that the former Luton man most had particularly wanted to take at a relatively young age - he was 31 when handed the reins at Barrow three years ago,

jointly with Darren Sheridan.

His days as a fulltime player had come to an end due to injury at the age of 29 and he moved into the non-league ranks before ending up at Barrow in 2006 and being put in the hotseat a year later.

"I loved playing that much and didn't want to

pack it in but it was put upon me," David recalled when looking back on how it all got started.

"Having packed it in a lot earlier than I ideally would have liked I did my coaching badges, played part-time and took my insurance pay-out.

"The Barrow role just got landed on me to be honest. We were playing one week, and the next week the manager had gone, so they asked us if we wanted to take over.

"At the time we were struggling in Conference North but we lost two out of 29 games, which was unbelievable, and won promotion.

"But we didn't learn anything that season as you don't when you win every week - you learn more when you are getting beat, and as soon as we started losing it became a test.

"If you want a peaceful or stress-free life don't go into management or coaching!

"The buzz when you win games is unbelievable, and to achieve things like winning the FA Trophy at Wembley last season and two appearances in the third round of the FA Cup is fantastic.

"I'm sure anyone who has been there will be honest and say that the good times outweigh the bad.

"As a manager I'd like to say my approach is a bit of everything as I have played with managers who are bawlers and shouters, and I've played with good talkers and good coaches.

"I learnt a lot from Mick Harford and Joe Kinnear when I was at Luton, and Mick was probably the best coach I've worked for as a talker and as a manager.

"Management has got its good points and bad points, and you do get frustrated when you'd love to put your boots on again but unfortunately those days are gone now.

"I am still only 34 though and I have learnt more in three years of coaching and management than I did in 14 years as a player.

"Hopefully in four or five years from now I'll be a better coach and still be in a job."

It's been a difficult start to the season for Barrow, a former Football League club themselves, and they have struggled to build on last season's FA Trophy success and runs to the third round of the FA Cup in 2010 and 2009.

Injuries haven't helped them as their squad has been seriously disrupted, but David believes that when they have all their players available the



“ LUTON FANS SHOULDN'T ACCEPT ANYTHING LESS THAN PROMOTION BECAUSE OF THE SHEER SIZE OF THE CLUB AND THE FAN-BASE ”

Cumbrians will rise up the Blue Square Bet Premier table. A tilt at promotion isn't on the agenda though, certainly not in the short-term, and David believes it is a case of keeping on trying to take steps forward.

"When we took over we were third from bottom of Conference North and we have come a long way in two and a half years," he said.

"We have generated money with cup runs but it is a long-term project here and we know we won't get promotion in the next two or three years because we are up against some very big teams.

"We are in that group of teams where if we get a mid-table finish and a cup run it has been a great season for us.

"It is always the target long-term to get into the Football League but we have got to be realistic and unless someone comes in, and our gates

increase dramatically, we are looking at stability for the next few years and cup runs to generate more money and crowds."

David played 41 times in an injury-hit four-year spell at Luton after signing from Rochdale in 2001.

But despite his injuries he looks at it as the favourite time of his playing career given the promotions in 2002 and 2005 and some of the players he was at Kenilworth Road with.

After returning to the top level of non-league football with Barrow however, his former employers have held the upper-hand with 1-0 victories home and away last season.

And it was the same story in October as Matthew Barnes-Homer netted the only goal of the game at Holker Street in what David describes as a "strange game".

He added: "The pitch wasn't brilliant and the wind was a factor in the game, and Luton probably shaded the first half but in all honesty we were unlucky not to get something out of the game.

"But that's how it has gone for us so far this season in that we have done well but not been clinical in front of goal.

"Luton are a good side with good individuals, they're also powerful and physical but they play good football as well so they will be up there at the end of the season, no doubt about it.

"It is a tough league and they are in a clutch of teams that can win it.

"For the likes of Barrow there is no real pressure as a good season for us means a mid-table finish and a good cup run.

"Luton fans shouldn't accept anything less than promotion because of the sheer size of the club and the fan-base.

"They should be in the top four all through this season and I am sure they will be.

"Luton shouldn't be at this level but a lot has gone on in the past so they have to get on with it and find a solution to get out of this league.

"I am sure, with Richard Money, Gary Brabin and Alan Neilson, they will go on and do that, because they have three of the best people at this level."

KIT PARADE

Nothing pulls on the heartstrings like an old Hatters' playing strip...

AWAY 2001-2003

The Town started life in the basement division of the Football League in 2001/02 with Joe Kinnear at the helm and the away strip for a two season stint was a popular orange and royal blue number, manufactured by Xara.

As debuts go it looked fantastic under the Madjeski Stadium floodlights but the team were thumped 4-0 by Reading in the first round of the League Cup.

The look was completed by blue shorts and is modelled here by Carl Griffiths against today's visitors York City in September 2001.



HATTERS HEROES



We stick a random pin into club historian Roger Wash's excellent book *Hatters Heroes* and focus on a player who has featured for the Hatters in the past 125 years

KENNETH (KEN) KILBY HAWKES

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

Ken finally broke into the Luton first team in 1957 and was then almost ever present until the relegation season of 1959/60 and played for the Hatters in the 1959 FA Cup final.

A rugged leftback, Ken was part of new manager Sam Bartram's cull in 1961 and he

moved to Peterborough followed by Bedford and St Neots.

After hanging up his boots, Ken then worked for Walker Clarke and Co. for 28 years and received a whole bottle of sherry on retirement. Ken is still a welcome regular at Kenilworth Road.

Luton Town career appearances: 106
Luton Town career goals: 1

Debut v West Bromwich Albion (h) W 5-1
14/12/1957

First goal v Portsmouth (a) D 2-2
25/10/1958

Last game v Swansea Town (a) L 1-3
03/04/1961

BEHIND THE SCENES

We take a sneak peek around Kenilworth Road to some of the places you don't get to see...

ERIE MORECAMBE SUITE

Previously the Hatters Club, a restaurant led to the room being dedicated to the former Town director and was officially opened by Eric's wife, Joan Northolme.

Many iconic photographs of the great man adorn the orange walls of the suite which not only holds functions throughout the season and is packed on matchdays, but it is also home to the Hatters' trophy cabinet with a range of trophies, medals, pennants, memorabilia locked inside.



COVER STORY

● JOE PAYNE AND HIS COLLEAGUES IN TRAINING BEFORE AN FA CUP TIE AGAINST MANCHESTER CITY IN 1938.



Although Joe Payne was spotted playing as a centre-forward for Bolsover Colliery, it was soon decided by those at Kenilworth Road that wing-half was his best position and he began to learn his trade in the professional game in the Town's reserves and at the club's nursery side, Biggleswade Town.

It is now a matter of footballing folklore that due to injuries, Payne was handed the centre-forward shirt on Easter Monday 1936 in a home game against Bristol Rovers and he went out and scored 10 times in a 12-0 victory.

Life was never likely to be the same for him again!

The 10-goal haul is still a Football League

record to this day and he broke another record the following season when bagging 55 goals as the Hatters won the Division Three (South) championship, and with it promotion.

A call-up for the England squad on a tour to Scandinavia in the summer of 1937 ended with him winning a full cap against Finland and, as the Town set about playing Division Two football for the first time since 1900, he found the net regularly.

Invariably, the big clubs came sniffing around and it was no real surprise when he was transferred to Chelsea in March 1938 for a big fee.

Unfortunately, the war took a large chunk out

of his career and after a spell at West Ham when peace resumed, he retired at the age of 34 dogged by ill health.

Payne returned to Luton to work and at one stage he lived in one of the club houses at the top of Kenilworth Road.

A low handicap golfer as well as being good enough to play cricket for Bedfordshire, poor health meant he eventually had to give those up as well. Joe died of a heart attack at the young age of 61 in 1975.

The players in the photograph are, left to right, Jock Finlayson, Albert Dawes, Tom King, George Stephenson and Joe Payne.

Roger Wash

AGAINST THE ODDS

● LUTON TOWN 2 LEEDS UNITED 1. 22ND MARCH 1975.



JOHN ASTON (CENTRE) SIGNALS THE SECOND GOAL WHICH HE HAD SET UP FOR PETER ANDERSON. GORDON MCQUEEN (RIGHT) LOOKS DEVASTATED

When the Town were promoted back to the top flight in 1974 for the first time in 14 years, the fans were looking forward to rubbing shoulders with the big boys once more, none more so than Leeds United who had been at the pinnacle of English football for a decade.

As Christmas approached, the Town were all but relegated with a sorry total of only nine points to their name, in the days of two points for a win, at that stage in the campaign. It looked likely that they were going down with a second low points total and in desperation manager Harry Haslam decided to throw in

the youngsters and to hell with the consequences.

Teenagers Paul Futcher and his twin brother Ron, who had been signed from Chester pre-season, together with ex-Burton Albion full-back Steve Buckley were blooded and with three straight wins over the holiday period the panic measures seemed to work and perhaps there was a glimmer of hope at the end of the tunnel.

Playing open, attacking and sometimes naive but ultimately exciting football, the Hatters were now winning as many games as they lost

and had managed to haul themselves up by the bootstraps and move off bottom place by the time of the visit of mighty Leeds on 22nd March 1975.

Leeds, the reigning League champions, had lost their manager Don Revie to England duties in the summer of 1974 and had suffered a traumatic 44 days under the management of Brian Clough as the season opened.

Ominously, they had bounced back and were now within striking distance of the top of the table following a run of 18 games without

defeat and were also about to win through to the final of the European Cup.

A crowd of 23,048, the second highest of the season, gathered at Kenilworth Road and were treated to an amazing opening with the Town going two up inside the first 12 minutes.

In the third minute Jimmy Husband broke on the right but the danger appeared to have passed when his cross went over the head of Ron Futcher.

The Leeds defenders inexplicably stood rooted to the spot, ball watching, but the wily John Aston sized up the situation in a trice and fired a right foot shot past David Stewart in the Leeds goal.

Less than 10 minutes later Kenilworth Road

truly erupted when Aston, this time on the right, dragged defenders all over the place leaving Peter Anderson to slam the ball into the roof of the net.

The Luton players, quite understandably, retreated behind their sandbags for a period waiting for an onslaught that never actually came, with a stunned Leeds unable to recover any form of fluency.

When Leeds did pull a goal back with three minutes to go, with Joe Jordan taking advantage of some comic defending, it came as a complete shock but before the alarm bells could ring the referee blew his whistle to signal a remarkable Luton victory.

Watching Barcelona scouts, spying on Leeds

before their forthcoming European Cup clash, must have gone back to Spain to report to Johann Cruyff and co. that Leeds were ripe for picking off.

Harry Haslam said afterwards: "They must have gone away more worried about us. We've been playing this way all season, but things haven't gone for us - now our luck could be changing."

Luton Town: Barber, John Ryan, Buckley, Anderson, Faulkner, Paul Futcher, Jim Ryan, Husband, Ron Futcher, West, Aston.

Leeds United: Stewart, Reaney, Frank Gray, Madeley, McQueen (Cherry), Hunter, McKenzie, Yorath, Jordan, Giles, Eddie Gray.

Roger Wash



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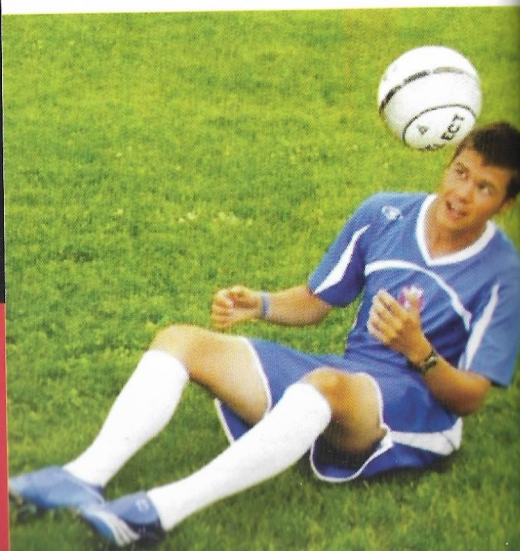
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Profile:

Michael Sup

Football studies student

Currently in his first year, Michael has landed a position with Luton Town as head coach for under-12's.



MEMORY LANE

NAME - Lee Wood

AGE - 31

LOCATION - St Albans

WHERE DO YOU WATCH GAMES FROM - The Millennium Club

FIRST GAME - Home to Newcastle in 1988. All the hype was surrounding the Toon's Brazilian 'superstar' Mirandinha. The game finished 0-0.

FIRST MEMORY - Sitting on the railings at the Kenilworth end waiting for that game to start. As an impressionable child, I was instantly hooked by the atmosphere.

BEST GOAL SEEN - There's been a few. Mark Pembroke's volley away to Villa in 1991. Scott Oakes' thunderbolt against Derby in 1992 after waltzing his way past half their team but I'll opt for Berko's overhead effort away to Leicester a few years ago. That was just superb.

BEST MATCH WITNESSED - I wasn't fortunate enough to witness the Littlewoods Cup triumph so I'll have to say the Johnstone's Paint Trophy final instead. The 5-3 defeat to Liverpool was also a great match despite the result.

THE WORST MATCH - There were too many dire outings during the 2008/09 campaign to mention.

BEST INDIVIDUAL PERFORMANCE BY A PLAYER - Kevin Nicholls provided a whole season's worth during 2004/05 campaign.



AHMET BRKOVIC'S OVERHEAD KICK AT LEICESTER WAS LEE'S MOST MEMORABLE GOAL

FAVOURITE HATTERS KIT

I liked the crazy orange efforts from Umbro during the 1990/92 seasons.

FAVOURITE ALL TIME PLAYER - I would have to say Mick Harford. You would always feel Luton would have a chance of winning if he was on the field. The phrase 'living legend' is shockingly overused these days but he certainly defined the words.

FAVOURITE ALL TIME MANAGER - Although I could appreciate the efforts of David Pleat and his transformation of the club, I thought Mike Newell did a fantastic job. The style of football was quick, entertaining and more often than not, easy on the eye.

ALL TIME LUTON XI - A few disputable selections that will raise a few eyebrows I'm sure as it would have been fairly easy for me to include all the usual suspects, without having seen a great deal of them as a child.

Marlon Beresford, Kevin Foley, Steve Davis, Curtis Davies, Matt Taylor, Scott Oakes, David Preece, Kevin Nicholls, Jean Louis Valois, Mick Harford, Tony Thorpe.

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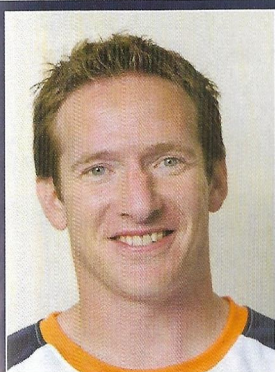
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FIXTURES 2010/11

September

7 Southend United (a) W3-1

October

27 Oxford United (a) L0-2

November

24 Watford (h) L1-2

December

7 Ipswich Town (h) W2-1

January 2011

12 Stevenage (a)
18 Oxford United (h)

February

8 Southend United (h)
14 Watford (a)

March

1 Colchester United (h)

May

Stevenage (h)
Ipswich Town (a)
Colchester United (a)

MATCH DIGEST:

Fixture: Watford. **Competition:** Combination. **Result:** 1-2. **Scorer:** Besta.

Team: Kidd, Poku, O'Donnell, Besta, Lacey, Carney (sub James), Nathaniel (sub Dasilva), Tavernier, Patrick, D. Walker, Watkins. **Subs not used:** Mirzai, Liam Toomey, McAdams.

Coach's comments: "It was a good run out for a lot of the players. It was a very young side on heavy pitch against a Championship side.

"They had players who have played at international level and have been bought for a lot of money so to run them close is a superb effort.

"Pavel Besta put us 1-0 up with a great finish from range but we've conceded two goals down the right flank.

"The second one was unlucky. Adam Watkins was off the pitch with the ball but Watford quickly found another one and played on and scored. To be fair to the referee he's apologised to us at the end and admitted it shouldn't have stood."

MATCH DIGEST:

Fixture: Ipswich Town. **Competition:** Combination. **Result:** 2-1. **Scorers:** Lawless, J. Walker.

Team: Kidd, Lacey, Hinton, Carney, O'Donnell, D. Walker, Poku, Besta, Patrick (sub Tavernier), Lawless, J. Walker. **Subs not used:** Toomey, Dasilva, McAdams, Ann.

Coach's comments: "We passed the ball really well and showed excellent movement. It was a fine performance against a Championship club with a number of experienced, quality players.

"We worked hard and looked solid throughout and it was unfortunate that we went a goal down. Lewis Kidd was lining up the wall and the referee allowed them to take the freekick quickly.

"Lewis then made a fantastic penalty save diving to his left and we came out in the second half really fired up.

"Alex Lawless has finished well and Jason Walker has done what all good strikers do - getting in bravely in the right place and right time.

"It was a fantastic result and one which will give those young players a real learning curve."

GAMES & GOALS

	Apps	Gls
Asafu-Adjaye	2	0
Atieno	2	1
Besta	3	1
Burns	0 (1)	0
Carney	3 (1)	0
Dasilva	1 (1)	0
Grocott	1	0
Hinton	1	0
Hooks	1	0
James	1 (1)	0
Kidd	3	0

	Apps	Gls
Lacey	3	0
Lawless	1	1
Lowson	1	0
Nathaniel	1	0
O'Donnell	3	0
Patrick	2 (1)	0
Poku	4	0
Simpson	1	1
Simpson	1	0
Tavernier	1 (2)	0
D. Walker	3	0
J. Walker	1	1
Watkins	3	0
Williams	1	0

LEAGUE TABLE

	P	W	D	L	GD	PTS
1 Oxford United	7	3	2	2	4	11
2 Colchester U	5	3	0	2	0	9
3 Watford	4	2	1	1	1	7
4 Stevenage	5	2	1	2	0	7
5 Luton Town	4	2	0	2	0	6
6 Southend U	5	1	2	2	-2	5
7 Ipswich Town	6	1	2	3	-3	5

YOUTH UPDATE

MATCH DIGEST:

Fixture: Queens Park Rangers.

Competition: Youth Alliance. **Result:** 1-1.

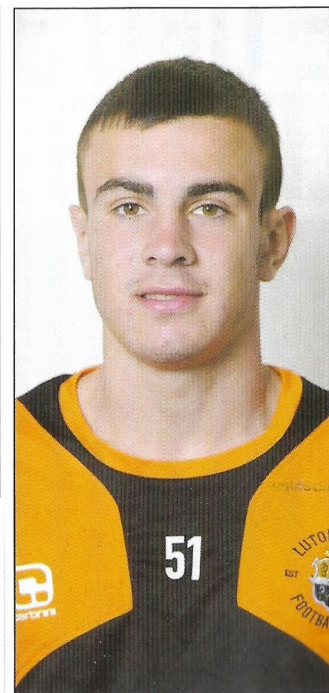
Scorer: McAdams.

Team: Coates, James, Longden (sub Jibidu), Lacey, Carney, Mirzai (sub Davis), Cain, Nakabaale, McAdams, Patrick, Woodrow. **Sub not used:** Richens.

Coach's comments: "QPR boasted a 100% record in all competitions prior to this game so to come away with a point is an absolutely fantastic result for us and fully deserved. In truth we were a little disappointed as we had chances to win the game but nonetheless to stop Rangers from recording another win is a something all the players can be really proud of."

GAMES & GOALS

	Appearances	Goals
Ann	5 (1)	1
Blake	8 (2)	0
Bufano	9 (2)	1
Cain	7 (5)	0
Carney	14 (1)	1
Coates	2	0
Dasilva	14	7
Davis	1 (1)	0
Dawkins	0 (1)	0
Deeney	5	0
James	15 (1)	2
Jibidu	0 (1)	0
Kidd	13	0
Kiernan	1	0
Lacey	10	1
Longden	2	0
McAdams	4 (9)	3
Millar	1 (1)	0
Mirzai	11 (2)	0
Nakabaale	3 (4)	1
Nyarko	0 (1)	0
Patrick	12 (3)	1
Richens	2	0
Tavernier	13 (1)	3
Toomey	12 (2)	4
Woodrow	9	10
Wyer	1	0
Yamfam	2 (2)	1



COLBY MCADAMS

LEAGUE TABLE

	P	W	GD	Pts
1 Queens Park Rangers	8	7	13	22
2 Millwall	7	6	8	18
3 Brighton & Hove A	8	5	4	15
4 Aldershot Town	8	5	0	15
5 Southend United	7	4	8	13
6 Peterborough United	9	4	0	13
7 Barnet	9	4	-8	13
8 Brentford	7	4	9	12
9 Wycombe Wanderers	7	4	4	12
10 Stevenage	8	3	-1	9
11 Colchester United	7	3	-2	9
12 Gillingham	8	2	-5	7
13 Luton Town	8	2	-5	7
14 Leyton Orient	8	2	-1	6
15 Dagenham & R	6	2	-11	6
16 Northampton Town	8	2	-12	6



FIXTURES 2010/11

August

14 Barnet (a) W3-2
21 Stevenage (h) W2-1
28 Northampton Town (a) L0-1

September

4 Barnet (a) (FLYALC) L1-4
11 Stevenage (a) (FLYALC) D2-2
18 Northampton Town (h) (FLYALC) W4-0
22 Cogenhoe United (h) (FAYC)* W11-2
25 Peterborough United (h) (FLYALC) D2-2

October

4 Brackley Town (a) FAYC W5-1
16 Brentford (a) L0-2
20 Waltham Abbey (a) FAYC W3-2
23 Queens Park Rangers (h) L0-1

November

3 Southend United (FAYC) L1-1
6 Peterborough United (a) L1-3
13 Wycombe Wanderers (h) L2-3
20 Queens Park Rangers (a) D1-1

December

18 Wycombe Wanderers (a)

January 2011

8 Peterborough United (h)
15 Barnet (h)
29 Stevenage (a)

February

5 Northampton Town (h)
12 Colchester United (a)
26 Brighton & Hove Albion (h)

March

5 Millwall (a)
12 Leyton Orient (h)
26 Gillingham (a)

April

2 Southend United (h)
9 Aldershot Town (a)
30 Dagenham and Redbridge (h)

th Brentford (h)

Football League Youth Alliance fixtures unless stated.

FLYALC - Football League Youth Alliance League Cup.

FAYC - FA Youth Cup
* Kenilworth Road
* Won 5-4 on penalties
+ After extratime

CENTRE OF EXCELLENCE

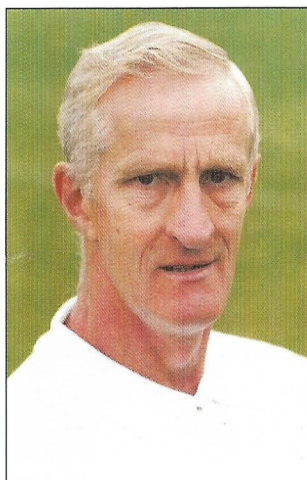
On Tuesday 2nd November the Baldock Arena was officially relaunched as the home of Luton Town youth development. Thanks to a generous donation from Loyal Luton Supporters Club and SolYD, the Arena has been redecorated over the past six months to contain the following:

- Signed shirts from graduates of the programme now playing in the Premier League
- An honours board listing every player to obtain a scholarship from the Centre of Excellence
- Motivational messages from coaches throughout the world of sport
- A welcome board listing every graduate of the programme.

The evening saw visits from Aston Villa and England player Curtis Davies, currently on loan at Leicester City, and West Ham United captain Matthew Upson who now has 21 England caps.

They were joined by members of the current Luton Town first team including Keith Keane, Jake Howells and Claude Gnabka, and ex-players, including Kingsley Black and Wayne Turner, were also present.

All were on hand to conduct press interviews, sign autographs and meet the current youth players aged eight to 18. The evening was filmed and went live on the BBC News, with additional footage on Sky Sports and ITV as well as local radio.



Baldock has hosted the clubs Centre of Excellence since 2007, and now, in addition, hosts the Luton Town Under-18 shadow squad, meaning that the club use the facility for over 40 hours a week.

With covered stands, dug-outs, changing rooms, a parents bar and interactive classroom complementing the third generation AstroTurf pitch, the Football League have graded Baldock facility as one of the best for youth development outside of the Premier League.

"To see so many players from past and present was fantastic for all of our young players, coaches and parents and shows the sentiment that Luton Town holds to anyone who has ever represented the club," Youth Development Officer Gregg Broughton said.

"The highlight for me was something that happened away from the glamour of the TV cameras when Luton legend John Moore spoke to our current Under-16 squad.

For those who are not aware of John's credentials, in addition to playing over 280 games for the club and coaching so many of the youth players who went on to the Premier League, John also managed the Luton Town team that finished seventh in the old First Division (now the Premier League) in 1987."

Without any preparation or notes John spoke to our players about what is the most crucial thing needed to become a professional player.

John spoke passionately about the need to never be satisfied with what you have achieved. Paraphrasing the great man:

"You have earned a new contract at Under-13 – So what! You have been kept on at Under-16 – So what! You have earned a scholarship – So what! You have made your first team debut – So what!

Until you have played 200 games for Barcelona and won the World Cup, Champions League and FIFA World Player of the Year you have achieved nothing!"

Everyone in the room was taken aback by John's passion and belief and to hear this from a man who has achieved so much made us all realise that we must all give that little bit more in order to achieve our goals.

CENTRE OF EXCELLENCE



This afternoon we have the pleasure of welcoming our Under-11 squad who are here with their parents for our match with York City.

Youth Development Officer Gregg Broughton takes us through the squad.

Adam Hughes - A skilful midfielder from Luton.

Adam Mason - A clever, leftsided defender from Stevenage.

Alex Taylor - A skilful attacking player from Stotfold.

Arthur Read - A talented leftsided player from Heath and Reach.

Ayodeji Onasanya - A powerful defender from Stevenage.

Callum Wakefield - A quick striker from Hemel Hempstead.

Conor Eblett - A strong, left-footed defender from Stevenage.

Fergal Hale-Brown - A good shotstopper from London.

Javeen Panesar - A skilful wide player from Wokingham.

Joe Mead - A clever defender and midfielder from Luton.

Kitan Soninke - A skilful wide player from Hatfield.

Louis Octave - A powerful midfielder from Luton.

Max Aarons - A skilful, quick midfielder from Milton Keynes.

Michael Shamalo - A quick, powerful striker from Luton.

Niall Kateley - A clever, skilful midfielder from Breachwood Green.

Samuel Gibson - A midfielder with a great range of passing from Flitwick.

YOUNG GUNS

● EACH WEEK WE PROFILE ONE OF THE HATTERS' UP AND COMING PLAYERS IN THE YOUTH SECTION.

NAME: Colby McAdams

DATE OF BIRTH: 21/11/1993

POSITION: Right wing or right-back.

DATE JOINED: June 2010

NATIONALITY: British

PLAYER COMPARISON: Cristiano Ronaldo

HONOURS: Aston Villa scholar aged 8-16.

IN HIS OWN WORDS: "I can play on both wings and at rightback. I can use both feet to good effect and I do not like to lose."

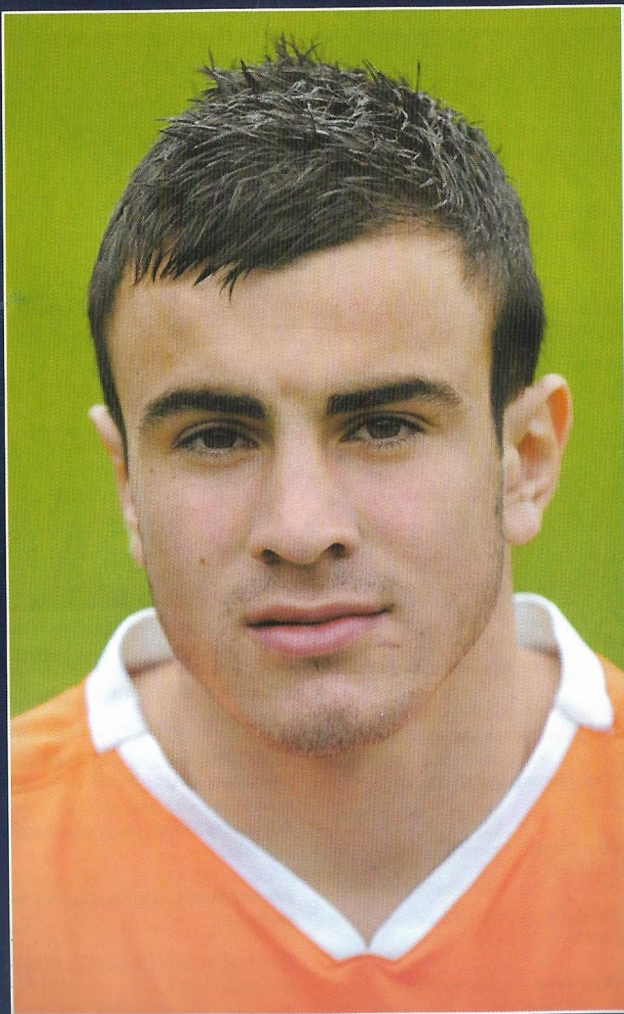
COACHES COMMENTS:

Gregg Broughton: "Colby is a right footed winger from Tamworth who joined us from Aston Villa at the end of last season.

"Colby initially found it tough to settle in a new environment but over the last few weeks has really began to shine.

"He has made a big impact when coming off the bench in the FA Youth Cup and has had the opportunity to start the last youth team game against OPR and did well, scoring the equaliser.

"Colby has a good ability to beat his player in one on one situations and has good delivery in the final third."



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We are running indoor soccer camps next week on Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday in Luton, Bedfordshire and Hertfordshire for all of our young aspiring footballers who want to both learn and improve their game.

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Our venues and dates are listed below and children can either book for the entire course or individual days by telephoning or sending a text to James Hatch on 07725 172345 or via email at james.luton@live.co.uk.

All courses run Monday to Wednesday 20th to 22nd December next week and from 10am to

3pm each day. Prices start from only £10 per day.

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Harlington Upper School, Goswell End Road

SHEFFORD

Samuel Whitbread Community College,
Shefford Road

BEDFORD

Lincoft Middle School, Station Road, Oakley

HITCHIN

Hitchin Boys School, Old Grammar Schools Walk

HARPENDEN

Sir John Lawes School, Manland Way
(Tuesday and Wednesday only)

To book your place next week phone or text James Hatch now on 07725 172345.



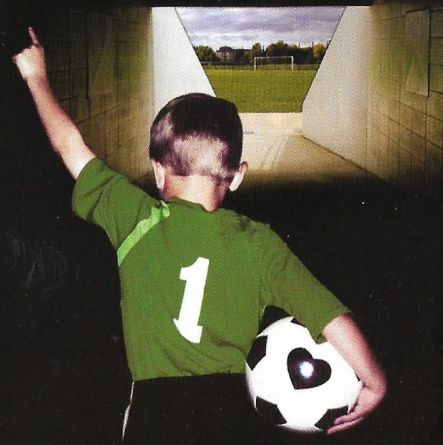
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LUTON LADIES



Despite the weather wiping out so much of football in the past month the Hatters' Ladies managed to progress into the second round proper of the FA Cup by defeating both Rothwell Town and Woodbridge Town.

The writing was on the wall for Rothwell in the very first minute when Jessica McKay powerfully headed into the net, from a Katie Davis cross; before Davis was on target herself from a Michelle Byrne cross after just 10 minutes.

The Town's domination continued throughout the half and as the interval approached Nicola Henman forced her way past two players, before driving the ball low into the net before Candice Davies performed a similar trick to make it 4-0 at half time.

The second half was barely 30 seconds old when a Davis cross was converted at the far post by Rebecca Kane with her first touch. Kane then added her second and Town's sixth with a volley.

The scoring was completed when Davis seized

on some defensive hesitation to poke the ball over the line from close range.

Woodbridge were the visitors last week and were a much stiffer opposition, fighting and scrapping for every ball but it was Luton that opened the scoring after 15 minutes when a Leyah Maddix cross was controlled by McKay and driven low into the net to make it 1-0.

The visitors were restricted to a couple of half chances as Luton went close on several occasions to extending their lead but there were no further goals by the break. Another powerful start to the second period and a fine run and cross by Davis was again brought down by McKay and with her back to goal she spun and drove a low shot under the keeper for her second.

McKay then completed her first senior hat-trick racing clear from the pursuing Woodbridge defenders and although the goalkeeper did get a hand to the ball the shot was too powerful and the ball looped up and rolled into the empty net.

An injury time penalty for the visitors reduced the arrears but Town were not finished as Maddix again broke at speed and crossed for Claire Howe at the far post to make the score 4-1. Manager John Wyatt was delighted with the win.

"This was another fine win making it five in a row and where all the players once again performed very well as a unit.

Some of the football played at times was excellent creating plenty of goalscoring opportunities which can only be a good thing when the front six players have all progressed from our youth teams in the past 18 months".

One of those players, 16-year-old McKay, played last season as a left back but having now been converted to a striker she is regularly on the scoresheet. She will hopefully go on to emulate another SuperMac from an earlier era at Luton who underwent a similar conversion and went on to do rather well for himself!

The Town now entertain FA Women's Premier League Queens Park Rangers in the next round

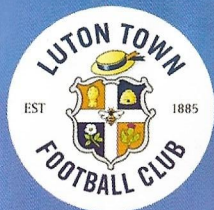
LUTON TOWN CHRISTMAS CAROL SERVICE

Following a two year absence and as part of our 125th anniversary celebrations, we are delighted to announce we will be holding a Luton Town Football Club Christmas Carol Service this year.

The service will be conducted by our Club Chaplin and former player Alan West and will be held at the Luton Christian Fellowship Church on Monday 20th December.

The service will begin at 7pm and will include the attendance of some of the first team players and management plus readings by a selected few and of course, Christmas carols! The service will be followed with refreshments and mince pies.

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LIVE ONLINE

Hatters Player subscribers have had plenty to sit back and watch since we were last at Kenilworth Road.

Win, lose or draw Hatters Player is there to get the reaction and Richard Money spoke to the cameras giving subscribers his account in the wake of the cup ties against Charlton and Welling United.

After the 3-1 defeat to Charlton, the Player cameras were the fifth separate media outlet for him to talk to but he was not out of words to say despite the disappointment of defeat.

"The best team over the two games lost," he said. Richard went on to pay tribute to the players for their fine efforts against a side flying high two leagues above the Town.

Captain George Pilkington was the first player out of the dressing room to face the camera and he felt the club can hold their heads high despite the loss to the Addicks.

Those comments were echoed by midfielder Keith Keane who believed the games against Phil Parkinson's side can put the Hatters in good stead for the rest of the season, knowing they can run a side in League 1 close twice.

Three days later Welling were the visitors to



Kenilworth Road for the Town's first foray into the FA Trophy this season.

Although the game ended in a goalless draw there were plenty of positives from the tie against the Blue Square Bet South outfit.

Richard Money was delighted with the effort, application and honesty of the young players on show, including 17-year-old Alex Lacey.

The centre-back put on a man-of-the-match performance on his senior debut and he spoke of his delight to the Player cameras too.

He paid tribute to his fellow defender that afternoon Craig Hinton who in turn repaid the compliment. The experienced defender on loan from Northampton believes the future is bright at Kenilworth Road and also hopes to extend his stay with the Town.

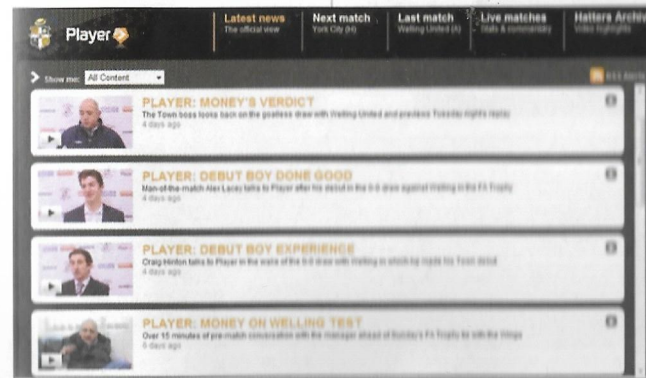
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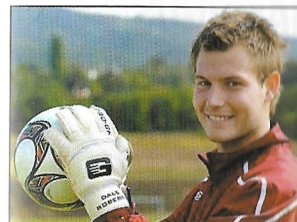


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LEAGUE ROUND-UP

TRIBUTES FOR RUSHDEN GOALKEEPER

The Blue Square Bet Premier was rocked with the tragic news of the death of Rushden and Diamonds' young goalkeeper, Dale Roberts, on Tuesday.



The 24-year-old made 91 appearances for the Diamonds, and was named England 'C' player of the year last season.

An international team-mate of Luton's Matthew Barnes-Homer, Jake Howells and Amari Morgan-Smith, Roberts' untimely death was met with sadness throughout the football family.

Rushden chairman Gary Calder released a statement on the club's website saying: "Our thoughts and prayers at this time go to his parents, family and friends."

Paul Fairclough, Roberts' manager at England 'C' level, added: "On behalf of The Football Association Representative Matches Committee, England C team staff and players, I wish to say how saddened I am at the tragic loss of life of Dale Roberts."

Dale, as well as being an outstanding goalkeeper, was an outstanding young man in every sense of the word."

MANSFIELD MISERY OVER STADIUM CONTINUES

Mansfield Town continue to search for a new home after being locked out of Field Mill by landlord Keith Haslam earlier this month.

Their plans to host matches at either Ilkeston or Alfreton have been thwarted as those grounds

are deemed not to meet the minimum quality standard required for the Blue Square Bet Premier.

Duncan Russell has been in temporary charge of first team duties since David Holdsworth was sacked as manager in November, and the former Blackburn coach's position is expected to be made permanent imminently.

FINANCIAL TROUBLES AT HISTON AND KIDDY

The Football Conference has charged Histon with allegedly submitting "misleading financial information."

An independent commission will assess their case over the coming fortnight. Meanwhile, the club has delayed paying the players' December wages amid reports of cashflow problems following the repayment of debts.

Kidderminster are also being investigated by the Conference in relation to the new Financial Reporting Initiative regulations, and directors have admitted that the club could face liquidation if £150,000 isn't raised by the end of the month.

The Kidderminster Harriers Independent Supporters Trust is appealing for fans to make donations.

TRANSFER ROUND-UP

Bad weather and the FA Trophy mean that there hasn't been much Blue Square Bet Premier action of late, but there has been plenty of action off the pitch as clubs add to their squads in order to cope with the busy festive period.

Kendal's freescore ex-Man Utd trainee Danny Rowe has made the journey down the North-West coast to join Fleetwood, Kettering have acquired winger Jamie Towers from Barwell, and Forest Green have snapped up former Salisbury midfielder Bradley Gray on a free.

Elsewhere, Crawley have been trimming their bloated striking roster, releasing Liam Enver-Marum and former Luton trialist Michael Malcolm.

TOP GOALSCORERS

Tubbs (Crawley)	17
Connell (Grimsby)	14
Reid (Newport)	14
Vieira (Fleetwood)	12
Kedwell (AFC Wimbledon)	12
Walker (Luton)	12
Connor (Mansfield)	10
Barnes-Homer (Luton)	9
Rankine (York)	9
McPhee (Kidderminster)	8
Mama (Kettering)	8

AVERAGE ATTENDANCES

Luton	6,552
AFC Wimbledon	3,413
Grimsby	3,328
Wesham	2,718
Cambridge	2,553
York	2,373
Mansfield	2,341
Newport	2,333
Darlington	1,950
Fleetwood	1,747
Kettering	1,729
Crawley	1,653
Barrow	1,331
Eastbourne	1,323
Kidderminster	1,292
Rushden	1,238
Southport	1,183
Altrincham	1,079
Tamworth	1,062
Forest Green	914
Bath	907
Gateshead	774
Histon	549
Hayes & Yeading	355

HOME COMFORTS



LUTON TOWN v TAMWORTH

Blue Square Bet Premier Tuesday 28th December 2010 kickoff 3pm
Tickets are now on sale at normal matchday prices.



LUTON TOWN v RUSHDEN & DIAMONDS

Blue Square Bet Premier Saturday 1st January 2011 kickoff 3pm
Tickets are now on sale at normal matchday prices.



LUTON TOWN v GATESHEAD

Blue Square Bet Premier Saturday 22nd January 2011 kickoff 3pm
Tickets are now on sale at normal matchday prices.



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ALL AREAS

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YOUTH (AGE 10-16) £8
YOUNG ADULT (AGE 17-21) £13
ADULT (AGE 22-64) £18
SENIOR (AGE 65-75) £13
GOLDEN SENIOR (OVER 75) £10

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BUY TICKETS

IN PERSON: At the ticket office, Kenilworth Road.

BY PHONE: Call 01582 416976

ONLINE: Visit www.eticketing.co.uk/lutontown

ON THE ROAD



RUSHDEN & D v LUTON TOWN

Blue Square Bet Premier Sunday 26th December 2010 kickoff 3pm

Allocation: We have received an initial allocation of 2,287 seats for this fixture.

Sales Plan: Tickets are now on sale on general sale until 12pm on Christmas Eve.

Prices: Adult £17 Over 60/Student (with id) £12, Under 16s £6, Under 8s FREE.



HAYES & YEADING v LUTON TOWN

Blue Square Bet Premier Tuesday 4th January 2011 kickoff 7.45pm

We are awaiting ticket information from Hayes & Yeading for this fixture.
Keep an eye in future programmes and on the official website.



BOXING DAY TRAVEL

Address: Nene Park,
Irthlingborough, Northants,
NN9 5QE



Directions: Leave the M1 at Junction 15 and take the A508 towards Northampton. At the junction with the A45 turn right towards Wellingborough. Follow the A45 past Wellingborough and then towards Rushden. At the junction with the A6 turn left towards Irthlingborough. You will come to the ground on your right. There is a fair sized car park at the ground.

Go by coach: Both the Bobbers Travel Club and Town on Tour are running coaches to Rushden on Boxing Day. The Bobbers depart the Maple Road car park at 12.30pm and prices are £13 for adults and £11 for concessions. Call 01234 856542 to book your place. Town on Tour depart the Maple Road car park at 1pm. Prices are £12 for adults and £10 for concessions. To reserve your spot call 07960 567465.

HITCH TO HAYES

Address: Church Road, Hayes,
Middlesex UB3 2LE



Directions: M1 south, M25 anticlockwise, leaving the M25 at Junction 16. Take the A10(M) towards London. Pass over one large junction (Denham Roundabout) and under another (Swaleys Roundabout). Take next slip road (Hillingdon). At traffic lights turn right into Long Lane (A437). At the traffic lights at the end of Long Lane turn left onto the Uxbridge Road (A1020). After about two miles, turn right into Church Road opposite the Adam & Eve public house and the ground is down on your right. There is a car park at the ground which holds 300 cars.

Go by coach: Both the Bobbers Travel Club and Town on Tour are running coaches to Hayes & Yeading. The Bobbers depart the Maple Road car park at 12 noon and prices are £13 for adults and £11 for concessions. Call 01234 856542 to book your place. Town on Tour depart the Maple Road car park at 12.30pm. Prices are £13 for adults and £11 for concessions. To reserve your spot call 07960 567465.

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With Christmas just around the corner and schools now on holiday, we thought that it would be a great opportunity to let you all know about the final holiday programme we are running this year.

The Hatters Study Centre has again teamed up with the Luton Town Community Trust to offer an exciting three-day football course at Ely Way training facility.

The Ely Way site is a great place to deliver football-based holiday courses as we have access to our own training pitch, changing rooms as well as access to a wonderful classroom which includes a football table and Nintendo wii, ideal for when it's too wet or cold outside.

We are running the Christmas Holiday football course on Monday 20th, Tuesday 21st and Wednesday 22nd December from 10am to 5pm

The cost for the course is £12 a day or £30 for three days. We are also hosting a Christmas party on the Wednesday between 4pm-5pm, where all children attending will take part in a variety of fun party games and receive a special Hatters gift.

To make you booking please contact Kieran Fox on 07771 704139 or 01582 563132.

This year we have delivered holiday programmes in partnership with the Community Trust through out the year. We have worked with local schools to provide holiday activities for disadvantaged children who otherwise would not be able to attend.

We have worked with the local authority to deliver 10% of the one-to-one tuition places available to primary school pupils during the summer holidays in an innovative way, combining engaging holiday programmes with

personalised learning.

In total, we have provided more than 150 places at our popular holiday programmes for local school pupils, providing them with a quality football coaching combined with the chance to meet one of the first team players.

This week's photograph is of a group of pupils we are working with each Tuesday evening from Barnfield West Academy. The pupils attend a numeracy double club where they receive additional numeracy lessons along with football coaching.



STATS 2010/11

DATE	OPPOSITION	H/A	COMP	SCORE	ATT	AWAY	POS	STARTING XI
AUGUST								
Sat 14	Altrincham	H	BSBP	2-1	6,665	101	6	Tyler Gleeson G.Pilkington Kroca 1 FMurray Drury A.Murray Keane Howells** Gallen* B-Homer 1 ***
Tue 17	Kettering Town	A	BSBP	3-1	2,906	1,664	1	K.Pilkington Gleeson G.Pilkington Kroca FMurray Gnaka** A.Murray** Keane Drury Gallen* B-Homer 3
Sat 21	Fleetwood Town	A	BSBP	3-0	2,831	715	1	Tyler Gleeson G.Pilkington Kroca FMurray Gnaka** A.Murray** Keane Drury Gallen* B-Homer 1
Tue 24	Newport C	H	BSBP	1-1	6,945	423	1	Tyler Gleeson G.Pilkington Kroca 1 FMurray Gnaka** A.Murray** Keane Drury Gallen* B-Homer**
Sat 28	Tamworth	A	BSBP	1-3	1,694	976	2	K.Pilkington Gleeson G.Pilkington Kroca FMurray Gnaka** A.Murray** Keane Drury Craddock 1 B-Homer**
Mon 30	Hayes & Y	H	BSBP	1-1	6,354	80	4	Tyler Gleeson G.Pilkington Kroca Blackett Drury 1 Keane A.Murray Howells** Crow B-Homer*
SEPTEMBER								
Sat 04	Grimsby Town	A	BSBP	0-2	3,822	348	6	Tyler Gleeson G.Pilkington Kroca Blackett Gnaka*** Keane A.Murray Newton Gallen** B-Homer
Sat 11	Cambridge Utd	H	BSBP	2-0	6,691	628	6	Tyler Gleeson* Blackett Kroca FMurray Gnaka** G.Pilkington 1 A.Murray Drury 1 Atieno** B-Homer
Fri 17	AFC Wimbledon	H	BSBP	3-0	7,286	633	2	Tyler Newton Blackett Kroca 1 FMurray Gnaka** G.Pilkington 1 Howells Drury Atieno B-Homer 1*
Tue 21	Darlington	A	BSBP	2-2	1,665	227	5	Tyler Newton Blackett* Kroca FMurray Gnaka 1 Howells 1 G.Pilkington Drury Atieno** B-Homer
Sat 25	Gateshead	A	BSBP	0-1	1,075	334	7	Tyler Gleeson Blackett Kroca* F.Murray Gnaka** Keane G.Pilkington Newton Atieno B-Homer***
Tue 28	Mansfield Town	H	BSBP	2-0	6,024	303	6	Tyler Gleeson G.Pilkington Kroca F.Murray Gnaka Howells Keane M-Smith 1 Crow 1*** B-Homer*
OCTOBER								
Sat 02	Barrow	A	BSBP	1-0	1,416	228	4	Tyler Gleeson G.Pilkington Kroca FMurray Gnaka** Howells Keane Drury Crow* B-Homer 1***
Tue 05	Crawley Town	H	BSBP	1-2	6,895	153	4	Tyler Gleeson Blackett Kroca FMurray Gnaka Keane G.Pilkington Drury 1 Atieno* B-Homer
Sat 16	Eastbourne B.	A	BSBP	4-2	2,518	923	4	Tyler Gleeson G.Pilkington 1 Kroca FMurray Gnaka** Keane M-Smith* Drury** Crow 2 B-Homer 1
Tue 19	Forest Green R.	H	BSBP	6-1	5,704	18	3	Tyler Gleeson G.Pilkington Kroca FMurray Gnaka** Keane Howells** M-Smith 1 Drury 1* Crow 2*** B-Homer 1
Sat 23	St Albans City	H	FAC4Q	4-0	4,144	457	3	Tyler Gleeson* G.Pilkington 1 Kroca FMurray Keane Howells M-Smith 3 Gnaka Crow 1*** B-Homer**
Sat 30	Bath City	H	BSBP	3-1	7,003	166	3	Tyler Gleeson G.Pilkington 1 Kroca FMurray Keane Howells Atieno 1* Drury Crow 1*** B-Homer
NOVEMBER								
Sat 06	Corby Town	A	FAC1	1-1	2,000	455	-	Tyler Gleeson G.Pilkington A-Adjaye FMurray Keane Howells Atieno Gnaka Walker* B-Homer 1
Thu 11	Wrexham	A	BSBP	0-1	2,733	200	3	Tyler Gleeson G.Pilkington Kroca FMurray Keane Howells** Lawless Gnaka* Drury B-Homer
Sat 13	Altrincham	A	BSBP	1-0	1,416	559	3	Tyler Gleeson G.Pilkington Kroca FMurray Keane Drury Gnaka** A.Murray** Keane Drury Gallen* B-Homer
Wed 17	Corby Town	H	FAC1R	4-2	3,050	412	-	Tyler Gleeson G.Pilkington A-Adjaye FMurray*** Keane Howells Drury** Gnaka 1 Atieno 2 B-Homer 1*
Sat 20	Histon	H	BSBP	5-1	5,963	53	2	Tyler Gnaka 1 G.Pilkington Kroca FMurray* Keane Howells 1 Drury 1 Lawless** J.Walker 1 B-Homer**
Sat 27	Charlton Athletic	A	FAC2	2-2	8,682	2,870	-	Tyler Gleeson G.Pilkington Kroca Howells Keane M-Smith* Drury Gnaka Crow* B-Homer
DECEMBER								
Thu 06	Charlton Athletic	H	FAC2R	1-3	5,914	409	-	Tyler Gleeson G.Pilkington Kroca 1 Howells Keane M-Smith* Drury Gnaka Crow* B-Homer
Sun 12	Welling United	H	FAT1	0-0	1,639	179	-	Tyler A-Adjaye Hinton Lacey Howells Lawless Besta* Poku D.Walker J.Walker Atieno
Tue 12	Welling United	A	FAT1R	2-1	404	76	-	Tyler Lawless 1 Hinton Lacey A-Adjaye O'Donnell Besta Poku D.Walker J.Walker 1 Atieno
Sat 18	York City	H	BSBP					
Sun 26	Rushden & D.	A	BSBP					
Tue 28	Tamworth	H	BSBP					
JANUARY								
Sat 01	Rushden & D.	H	BSBP					
Tue 04	Hayes & Yeading	A	BSBP					
Sat 08	Bath City	A	BSBP					
Tue 11	AFC Wimbledon	A	BSBP					
Sat 15	Uxbridge	H	FAT2					
Sat 22	Gateshead	H	BSBP					
Tue 25	Grimsby Town	H	BSBP					
Sat 29	Crawley Town	A	BSBP					
FEBRUARY								
Tue 1	Darlington	H	BSBP					
Fri 04	Barrow	H	BSBP					
Sat 12	Fleetwood Town	H	BSBP					
Sat 19	Newport County	A	BSBP					
Sat 20	Cambridge Utd	A	BSBP					
MARCH								
Sat 05	Kidderminster H.	H	BSBP					
Sat 12	York City	A	BSBP					
Sat 19	Kettering Town	H	BSBP					
Sat 26	Southport	A	BSBP					
APRIL								
Sat 02	Kidderminster H.	A	BSBP					
Sat 09	Southport	H	BSBP					
Sat 16	Mansfield Town	A	BSBP					
Sat 23	Eastbourne B.	H	BSBP					
Sat 30	Forest Green R.	A	BSBP					
Sat 07	Wrexham	H	BSBP					
Sat 14	Forest Green R.	A	BSBP					

SUBSTITUTES

Crow*	Gnaka**	Craddock***	K.Pilkington	Blackett
Crow*	Howells**	Besta***	Tyler	Newton
Howells*	Craddock**	Newton	K.Pilkington	A.Murray
Howells*	Crow**	Craddock***	K.Pilkington	Newton
Howells*	Gallen**	Newton***	Tyler	Blackett
Gallen*	Gnaka**	Newton	K.Pilkington	Craddock
Besta*	Crow**	Atieno***	K.Pilkington	Howells
Newton*	Howells**	Crow***	K.Pilkington	Besta
A.Murray	Asafu-Adjaye	Crow	K.Pilkington	Walker*
Crow**	Gleeson*	Poku	K.Pilkington	Walker
Howells*	Crow**	Walker***	K.Pilkington	Besta
A.Murray*	Newton**	Atieno***	K.Pilkington	Blackett
Poku**	M-Smith*	Atieno***	K.Pilkington	Blackett
Crow*	M-Smith	Howells	K.Pilkington	Asafu-Adjaye
Poku*	Walker**	Watkins	K.Pilkington	Asafu-Adjaye
Gnaka*	Poku**	Walker 1***	K.Pilkington	Asafu-Adjaye
Atieno	Blackett	Asafu-Adjaye*	K.Pilkington	Besta
Besta*	Walker**	Asafu-Adjaye	Kidd	Watkins
Lacey	Besta	Poku*	Kidd	Woodrow
Atieno*	Walker**	Asafu-Adjaye	Kidd	Poku
Howells*	Walker**	Atieno	Asafu-Adjaye	Besta
Poku*	Walker**	O'Donnell***	Kidd	Patrick
Blackett*	Atieno 1**	Asafu-Adjaye***	Kidd	Patrick
Atieno*	Walker**	Asafu-Adjaye	Kidd	Hinton
Hinton	Lacey	Besta	Kidd	Poku*
Gleeson	B-Homer	Crow	O'Donnell*	Claude
Patrick	Woodrow	Tavemier	Kidd	Camey

LEAGUE TABLE 2010/11

		HOME					AWAY							
		P	W	D	L	F	A	W	D	L	F	A	GD	PTS
1	AFC WIMBLEDON	20	7	2	1	21	8	6	0	4	16	14	14	41
2	CRAWLEY TOWN	19	6	1	2	20	8	6	3	1	18	8	22	40
3	LUTON	20	7	2	1	26	8	5	1	4	16	12	21	39
4	NEWPORT COUNTY	21	6	4	1	23	11	4	3	3	11	11	12	37
5	KIDDERMINSTER	21	6	3	2	19	14	3	4	3	11	15	1	34
6	FLEETWOOD TOWN	20	4	5	1	16	11	4	4	2	11	6	10	33
7	WREXHAM	21	5	5	1	16	9	3	4	3	14	13	8	33
8	RUSHEN & D	21	6	1	3	16	9	3	4	4	13	15	6	32
9	MANSFIELD	21	5	2	3	21	15	4	2	5	14	13	7	31
10	GRIMSBY	20	4	4	2	14	10	3	4	3	15	15	4	29
11	DARLINGTON	20	5	2	3	11	6	1	7	2	11	11	5	27
12	BATH CITY	21	3	6	1	16	13	3	3	5	14	20	-3	27
13	CAMBRIDGE UTD	21	5	4	2	24	10	1	4	5	8	16	6	26
14	YORK	21	4	4	2	12	5	2	4	5	13	19	1	26
15	GATESHEAD	20	4	4	2	11	8	2	3	5	10	16	-3	25
16	KETTERING	20	1	5	4	11	16	5	2	3	14	13	-4	25
17	EASTBOURNE B	21	4	3	3	21	14	1	4	6	15	28	-6	22
18	BARROW	20	5	2	3	16	9	0	5	5	7	20	-6	22
19	TAMWORTH	20	3	4	3	17	17	2	3	5	12	19	-7	22
20	FOREST GREEN	21	3	5	3	16	15	1	3	6	9	24	-14	20
21	HAYES & YEADING	22	4	0	7	13	20	2	2	7	10	22	-10	20
22	HISTON	20	3	2	6	13	17	2	2	5	8	19	-16	19
23	SOUTHPORT	20	3	3	4	12	13	1	3	6	7	14	-8	18
24	ALTRINCHAM	21	2	3	5	10	16	1	2	8	7	32	-31	14

PLAYER STATS 2010/11

	THIS SEASON			CUP			TOTAL			CAREER		
	LEADS	APPS	GLS	APPS	GLS	APPS	GLS	APPS	GLS	APPS	GLS	
ED ASAFU-ADJAYE	0(11)	0	4(11)	0	4(21)	0	0	0	0	0	0	
TAMWO ATHENO	0(0)	2	4(21)	2	10(7)	4	1	1	17	4		
MATTHEW BARNES-HOMER	20(0)	0	0(0)	2	20(0)	1	0	0	0	19		
PAVEL BESTA	3(3)	0	2(0)	0	5(3)	0	0	0	0	0		
SHANE BLACKETT	7(1)	0	0(0)	0	7(1)	0	1	0	0	1		
NEWMAN CARMEL	0(0)	0	0(1)	0	0(1)	0	0	0	0	1		
TOM CRADDOCK	1(3)	2	0(0)	0	1(3)	2	1	0	0	0		
DANNY CROW	0(0)	0	3(0)	1	11(0)	7	2	1	10	7		
ANDY HURRY	17(0)	0	0(0)	2	20(0)	2	2	1	0	20	7	
KEVIN GALLER	4(2)	0	0(0)	0	4(2)	0	0	0	0	76	21	
DAN HEESE	17(1)	0	0(0)	0	22(1)	0	1	0	23	0		
CLAUD GRAPPA	10(3)	3	0(0)	1	10(3)	4	0	0	100	10		
CRASH HINTON	0(0)	0	2(0)	0	2(0)	0	0	0	2	0		
JAKE HOWELLS	11(7)	2	0(0)	0	17(7)	2	1	0	100	0		
KEITH KEANE	10(0)	0	0(0)	0	2(0)	0	3	1	214	0		
DEREK KROCA	20(0)	0	0(0)	1	20(0)	4	0	0	23	4		
ALEX LACEY	0(0)	0	2(0)	0	2(0)	0	0	0	2	0		
ALEX LAWLESS	0(0)	1	2(0)	0	2(0)	1	0	0	0	1		
ADAM MURRAY SMITH	3(1)	2	0(0)	3	6(1)	0	0	0	7	5		
ADAM MURRAY	0(1)	0	0(0)	0	0(1)	0	2	0	7	0		
FREDERICK MURRAY	10(0)	0	0(0)	0	2(0)	0	1	0	67	0		
TYLOR RATHBONE	0(0)	0	0(0)	0	0(0)	0	0	0	1	0		
ADAM RAYTON	4(1)	0	0(0)	0	4(1)	0	1	0	51	4		
J.P. WOODS	0(0)	0	1(1)	0	1(1)	0	0	0	3	0		
JORDAN PUGH	0(0)	0	0(1)	0	0(1)	0	0	0	0	3	0	
DEREK PILKINGTON	20(0)	4	0(0)	0	20(0)	4	1	0	100	10		
KEVIN PILKINGTON	2(0)	0	0(0)	0	2(0)	0	0	0	13	0		
SHIRLEY POKU	0(0)	0	2(4)	0	2(7)	0	2	0	0	0		
MARK TYLER	10(0)	0	7(0)	0	20(0)	0	0	0	65	0		
DAN WALKER	0(1)	1	3(0)	0	3(1)	1	0	0	13	1		
JACOB WALKER	1(0)	1	2(0)	1	3(0)	2	1	0	3	2		
ADAM WATKINS	0(0)	0	0(0)	0	0(0)	0	0	0	1	0		
CARLEY WOODROW	0(0)	0	0(1)	0	0(1)	0	0	0	1	0		

LAST WORD

● WITH FORMER LUTON NEWS SPORTS EDITOR DAVE FLETT

Dave Flett covered the Hatters for the Luton News between 1997 and 2003, reporting on one relegation and a promotion, as well as a run to the Carling Cup quarter-finals, the plunge into receivership under David Kohler and Joe Kinnear's colourful reign.

He is now The Press' York City writer but, here, selects the best 11 players he witnessed at Kenilworth Road.

Goalkeeper: Kelvin Davis - Made so few mistakes which is always the best gauge of a good keeper. Unlucky not to have received international recognition at some stage considering the paucity of good English number ones during his career.

Right back: Emmerson Boyce - The perfect modern-day full back. Was always capable of getting up and down the flank and just as comfortable operating in the middle of defence. Has worked hard to become a Premier League regular.

Centre back: Steve Davis - Playing in what is now League 1 always looked too easy for him and, if he had an extra yard of pace, he would have been one of the best defenders in the country. Sadly, when he signed for York in 2004, injury problems led to his eventual retirement.

Centre back: Gary Doherty - Offered great versatility with his ability to play in defence or attack. Always honest and hardworking.

Left back: Matthew Taylor - A pleasure to see him playing his trade in the Premier League and was a privilege to see his explosive and exciting first steps into the professional game.

Right wing: Graham Alexander - There was an absence of quality right-sided players during my time reporting on Luton. Alexander was an extremely reliable right



back, who was just as comfortable in midfield though and would have combined well with Boyce.

Centre of midfield: Paul McLaren - Played in a struggling side for most of his Hatters career but was a cultured footballer and would probably have blossomed more if he had chosen to work with Joe Kinnear.

Centre of midfield: Matthew Spring - Had the full array of midfield talents and should have gone on to achieve more than he has done in the game.

Left wing: Jean Louis-Valois - Boasted phenomenal skill and gave Kinnear's 2001/02 promotion-winning team flair at just the right stage of the season.

Striker: Steve Howard - Endured a difficult start to his Town career but became a rarity in the game - a target man who also knew where the net is.

Striker: Tony Thorpe - This might be an unpopular choice as he somewhat blotted his copy book with the manner in which he left the club but an extremely cool finisher of chances.

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AFC WIMBLEDON	v	WREXHAM
ALTRINCHAM	v	HISTON
BARROW	v	TAMWORTH
BATH CITY	v	SOUTHPORT
CAMBRIDGE UNITED	v	DARLINGTON
FLEETWOOD TOWN	v	NEWPORT COUNTY
GATESHEAD	v	HAYES & YEADING
GRIMSBY TOWN	v	FOREST GREEN
KIDDERMINSTER H	v	KETTERING TOWN
RUSHDEN & D	v	EASTBOURNE

MATCH CENTRE

HALF-TIME SCORE

FULL-TIME SCORE

ATTENDANCE

SCORERS

UP NEXT

TAMWORTH



THURSDAY 20th DECEMBER 2010
8PM



THE TEAMS



LUTON TOWN

MANAGER: RICHARD MONEY

- 01 MARK TYLER
- 02 DAN GLEESON
- 03 FREDDIE MURRAY
- 04 KEITH KEANE
- 05 CRAIG HINTON
- 06 GEORGE PILKINGTON
- 07 ADAM NEWTON
- 08 AMARI MORGAN-SMITH
- 09 MATTHEW BARNES-HOMER
- 10 TAIWO ATIENO
- 11 ANDY DRURY
- 12 SHANE BLACKETT
- 13 ZDENEK KROCA
- 14 ALEX LAWLESS
- 15 JAKE HOWELLS
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- 27 DANIEL RACCHI
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