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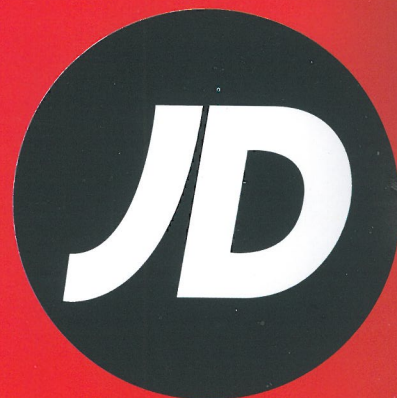
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BRABS

Good afternoon and welcome back to Kenilworth Road for the second time in 48 hours for an important game with Mansfield Town.

I'd like to welcome Paul Cox, his management team and players plus the directors, staff and supporters of the Stags to Bedfordshire this evening.

Paul has assembled an exciting team with a mixture of youth and experience and they have proved so far this season to be a tough side to beat.

They arrive here at Kenilworth Road unbeaten in their last four matches which included two tough fixtures against York City, one of which they were very unlucky not to win.

I might sound like a stuck record but, like all games we play here, we will be expecting a tough test. Teams quite rightly come here to frustrate us and use that frustration to play into the mind of you, the supporters. The players know what is expected of them and while we don't know if Mansfield will use that kind of tactic tonight, we will be prepared – and confident – to meet anything head on.

It seems a while since we last met our visitors when a Will Antwi header earned us a deserved point. We dominated that game back in August and it was frustrating that we couldn't turn our dominance into more goals.

I'm writing these notes prior to Monday's FA Trophy tie with Hinckley United so by the time you read this you will know if we have progressed in the competition.

Tonight is the second of three games here at Kenilworth Road and I must take this point to thank all the staff at the club for their efforts to make sure all of these games go ahead. Everyone from the groundsman – who I know is less than pleased with the current schedule! – to the commercial and administration staff has worked tirelessly and hopefully we can reward their hard work over the next two games.

Our last home league match saw us triumph 1-0 over Stockport County when, thankfully, we ended our hoodoo from the penalty spot. It was becoming a real monkey on our back but we have a confident group of players, none more so than Aaron O'Connor.

The first match with Hinckley took place at the second attempt, after a frozen pitch put pay to the game on the Saturday, and I thought the young players' performances on the night was absolutely fantastic. Our academy has been in the headlines recently following the Dasilva brothers' transfer to Chelsea and the displays of the likes of Colby McAdams, Jerry Nash and Jake Woolley are further testament to the hard work that Gregg Broughton and his team.

Saturday's game at Southport will be best remembered for the awful, almost unplayable, weather conditions. It's never easy playing in wind and while the conditions are always the same for both teams it certainly felt as though luck was against us.

Kevin Pilkington has been in fine form in goal and two of the three goals we conceded that affected him were a direct result of misfortune. The gust of wind that took the first goal was a freak whilst the third goal was pure bad luck.

However, while we were cursing bad luck, I accept that we started sloppily and to go two goals down was hugely disappointing and unacceptable, regardless of the conditions.

The way we fought back showed real character and spirit which I can see growing with each passing week. To end the game with just one point having led 3-2 was bitterly disappointing but that's football, you have to take the highs with the lows.

Thank you to those supporters for their backing at Southport on Saturday and get behind us once more tonight.



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FROM THE BOARDROOM

WITH DIRECTOR DAVID WILKINSON



Good evening to all our supporters and a very warm welcome to Kenilworth Road to all officials, players and supporters from Mansfield Town along with the visiting television presenters and crew.

It is a little unusual for us these days to play on Wednesdays although in my early days it was the norm. Wednesday afternoons were early closing for local shops so games were played then. I quite often bunked off school to watch a game only to face the music on Thursday morning!

Since last writing to you we have won six games and drawn two in the League from some much improved performances and have put ourselves back into the play-off positions and contention for promotion.

With four games in eight days we are entering a hectic time and have to hope we can stay relatively clear of injuries. It was great to welcome back Amari Morgan-Smith on Saturday, but less good to be without the services of Keith Keane, James Dance and Robbie Willmott. We wish them a rapid recovery.

Recent events have been quite typical in a director's life and I thought you might be interested for me to share a few of them with you.

I played Father Christmas at the Junior Hatters Christmas Party. Why they asked me I have no idea. I am hardly the right shape am I! I was even more disappointed that the costume was so good that no one knew who I was. It was great though, and many thanks to all the players, who were there to sign the kids' Christmas cards.

Last Saturday we headed up to Hinckley with a strong squad of players to play a second round FA Trophy match. We arrived separately at about 1.30pm to see the local ground staff pouring buckets of boiling water on the pitch and the players and management trying

to dig their heels in to a frozen section of the ground. To say we were disappointed is an understatement, because we care about our supporters and you had turned up, as always, in your hundreds and we had been unable to give any advanced warnings that there might have been a problem.

What brought it home to me most of all was, as we were saying our goodbyes in reception, a Dad came in with his little son fully decked out in Luton colours only to be told that the game was off. The look on the little lad's face was enough to break your heart.

We are immensely proud of our fan base and no decisions are taken without consideration of the views of all. We are, as directors, somewhat distanced because of some of the duties we have to perform and places we have to sit, but we all miss being in the middle of things (except when there's no roof on the away end!)

Board meetings are held monthly with major ones to which all main board and associate directors are invited once a quarter.

The first major meeting this year took place last week in London to suit most participants and the agenda covered such matters as management accounts, cash flows, shareholdings, football, ground maintenance, training facilities, relationship with the council, progress on stadium issues, youth and community.

The meetings are always interesting, particularly to those of us who are not involved on a daily basis, and because the make-up of the Board is so diverse and of their varied disciplines, there is a broad spectrum of advice and opinion to call on.

A week ago we then went back to Hinckley, which for a smaller club has an impressive setup. We managed a draw in a tough game and the result of the replay will be known by the time you read this.

Last Friday a few of us decided to leave early for Southport and try to get a round of golf in before the team arrived. Southport has some of the best golf courses in the country so it was quite a temptation. The weather had been a little inclement all the way up, but was easing off a little so off we set. By the time we got to the first tee there was a gale force wind and driving rain, but having driven so far we couldn't chicken out. We lasted four holes having lost a load of balls on the nearby railway line and got completely drenched.

The weather, of course, stayed like that until the game the next day, which made it a total lottery and actually surprising that either team were able to play at all.

At the game we were fortunate to be with Billy Bingham, a Luton legend and former Southport manager. I think Nick Owen will say more about him in his notes on Saturday, but suffice to say that he sat with us throughout the game giving us all the benefit of his experience and wisdom. Billy Bingham, my first hero, who played in my first Luton game, my first ever live football match. Amazing.

Well that's enough from me for now. Can I reiterate my comments earlier about our fans by saying thank you. You are special and the Board really do appreciate the sacrifices a lot of you have to make to support this unique football club.

The only thing left to say after getting soaked playing golf and blown away at the game on Saturday is: "Bring me Sunshine"

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David Wilkinson



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Well they do say there's no place like home so welcome back to you all for this evening's game with Mansfield Town.

It's a game that has caught the imagination of the television producers who have picked the match to be broadcast live and, under the Kenilworth Road floodlights, it's a game I'm sure will live up to its pre-match billing.

Mansfield have shown this season what a good side they are. They're the only side to have beaten leaders Wrexham

at the Racecourse and on New Year's Day they drew at York having led 2-0.

They will arrive here full of confidence having won their last two matches including a thrilling 3-2 win over Hayes & Yeading at the weekend. The scored a goal in the very last minute to earn all three points having twice been behind and there is no underestimating what those kinds of wins can do for momentum so we know we must be on top of our game tonight.

Saturday's 3-3 draw at Southport stretched our unbeaten run in the league to 10 matches and it shows how far we've come in recent weeks to say that we were massively disappointed to travel home having taken only one point when three was in our grasp.

Having said that though to have trailed by two goals and find ourselves with a mountain to climb we battled back superbly to deservedly level and then take the lead.

It was against the run of play that they took the lead and we were all baffled about the circumstances which

led to it, too. The wind on the day was absolutely unbelievable and when their striker had a shot I could see that Kevin was right behind it...until it swerves right off course and landed up completely outfoxing him and dropping in the middle of the net.

Despite that set-back I was more than confident that we would turn it around so it came as a major surprise to see Southport score again.

2-0 down I would have thought many would have written us off but we're made of strong stuff and our comeback before the break was fantastic. Jake Howells and Greg Taylor did brilliantly and Danny Crow stuck it away.

Crow then set-up Adam Watkins and boy, what a finish that was. It was a superb team goal and if you'd had seen that on Match of the Day then Alan Hansen and co. would have been purring over it.

We could have snatched the lead just before half-time when Jake's free-kick got caught in the wind and ended up turning into a shot that their keeper did well to turn over the bar, but we carried on from where we left off after the interval when Aaron O'Connor reacted quickly to put us ahead.

It was always going to be tough to defend the lead as we came up against the wind and a strong response from Southport and I don't think anyone could have predicted how their equaliser came from and all the lads felt for Kevin for the own goal. Sometimes the luck just isn't with you.

But we move on. Hopefully we have progressed through in the FA Trophy following Monday's game and here's to more success tonight.

Enjoy the game.

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AROUND TOWN

STRIKER JOINS

The Hatters completed the loan signing of centre forward Craig McAllister from Newport County AFC last Wednesday.

The 31-year-old frontman (right) agreed a deal that keeps him at Kenilworth Road until the end of the current season.

The powerful 6ft 1in striker signed for Newport in the summer just months after helping Crawley Town win the Blue Square Bet Premier title last season where he scored 12 goals in 27 starts for Steve Evans' side.

One of those goals proved particularly crucial when he fired a stoppage time winner against the Town for the Red Devils in a 2-1 victory at Kenilworth Road in October 2010.

Although born in Glasgow, McAllister was raised on the South Coast of England and began his career with Eastleigh.

In 2002 he signed for Basingstoke Town, scoring 53 times in 96 appearances at the Camrose which earned him a move to Stevenage Borough.

However, with first team opportunities limited at Broadhall Way, he joined Woking in 2005 and went onto hit 23 goals in 83 games for the Cards.

Stints at Grays, Oxford and Exeter followed - the latter coming in 2008. He made 38 appearances in two years at St James Park - notching seven goals in eight league starts for the Grecians.

In 2010 he signed up for Crawley's 'Project Promotion' plan last season which he helped achieve - not only scoring a dozen goals for the Red Devils but also proving to be the perfect foil for prolific strike partner Matt Tubbs.



Town boss Gary Brabin was delighted with his newest recruit.

"Craig has proven quality in this division and in the division above and that record is hard to ignore," the manager said.

"His goalscoring record at Crawley last season record speaks for itself but it's not just that - his overall game, the little things you see in matches, is something which stands Craig apart.

"He's adaptable in any role we play, he works hard, he's strong and he chips in with his fair share of goals.

"I'm delighted that we've been able to bring in a player of Craig's calibre and look forward to working with him between now and the rest of the season."

He has been given the number nine shirt.

Read an exclusive interview with the Town's new man on pages 38 and 39 of tonight's programme.

TEXT AND WIN

Do you want to win a pair of home game tickets for just £5? The tickets are for any home game between February and the end of March 2012 - and by entering you have the chance to make a real difference to your local hospice, Keech Hospice Care, which looks after local children and adults with life limiting conditions.

All you have to do is text KHCB21E5 to 70070 between the 21st January and 31st January 2012 and you will be contacted if you have won the tickets. You will then be given a letter to bring along to the ground so you can collect the tickets in person.

Go on - give your local hospice a boost and give yourself the chance to win two tickets.

TWO MORE TV DATES

Broadcasters Premier Sports TV are here at Kenilworth Road for the first time this season but

the Hatters received news last week the channel will screen a further two games involving Gary Brabin's side later this season.

The trip to league leaders Wrexham and the home match with promotion rivals York City will both been screened live.

Both games have been given new dates to accommodate the cameras with the Wrexham match moved to Wednesday 7th March and the York fixture switched to Friday 30th March, both with 7.30pm kick-offs.

The Town's final match of the season away to Fleetwood Town has also been moved to a 1pm start. Premier Sports will choose one match on the day to broadcast live as the league season reaches its climax.

CLUB SHOP SALE NOW ON

The Hatters Shop January sale launched on Saturday morning with various items reduced by 50%.

A whole host of Hatters-related merchandise is available in the sale including coats, scarves and a variety of replica shirts - including our popular 125th anniversary merchandise.

The shop closed at noon on Saturday but all the items are available 24 hours a day on our online shop at www.hattersshop.co.uk.

STOCKPORT GOLDEN GAMBLE

The winner of our golden gamble against Stockport County went home even happier after the 1-0 win after scooping £515.

Mick Sudder, of Luton, collected the prize after his ticket - number 22435 - was plucked out of the barrel at half-time.

Look out for sellers around the ground tonight and on Saturday when Alfreton Town are the visitors.



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WELCOME MANSFIELD TOWN



Like the Town, our visitors this evening are still pining on a return to the Football League.

This season is the Stags' fourth in the Blue Square Bet Premier following relegation in 2008 and this season Paul Cox has been handed the role to get them back into the League.

Mansfield arrive at Kenilworth Road tonight off the back of two successive league victories that have given them renewed hope of reaching the play-offs come the end of the season.

While Cox's side currently sit in 10th place and seven points off the top five, they have a game in hand, and three points tonight would lift them to within four points off the play-off places – and that gives the visiting side plenty of incentive ahead of tonight's game following their recent wins over Hayes & Yeading and Forest Green in their last two outings.

Two draws with fellow promotion chasers York over the Christmas and New Year period mean the Stags are unbeaten in their last four matches.

Away from home Cox's side have suffered similar woes to the Town – losing leads and ending up with draws rather than victories.

Seven of their 13 fixtures away from Field Mill have ended in draws, including the 2-2 draw at York in which they led 2-0 with 17 minutes to play.

The Stags haven't tasted success on the road in seven attempts – leading back to an impressive 3-1 victory at league leaders Wrexham. In fact Cox's side won three successive away games in late August and early September with fine wins at Stockport (1-0), Darlington (2-0) and Barrow (3-2).

The visitors will be hoping that striker Matt Green can continue his impressive form in front of goal tonight. The striker has scored three goals in his last four games and made the switch from League 2 side Oxford earlier in the campaign having originally joined on loan.

Given the recent meetings at Kenilworth Road down the years one thing we should expect tonight is goals.

The average number of goals a game in this fixture is 4.25, with the Town triumphing 2-0 last season at Kenilworth Road. The Hatters have also won 4-2, 7-2, 5-3 and 4-1 in home games against the Stags whilst our visitors record a 3-2 win in Bedfordshire in 2002.

But, they say football is a funny old game, so expect a boring goalless draw tonight...



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THE VISITORS

CLUB HISTORY

This is the Stags' fourth season in the Blue Square Premier, following their relegation from the Football League in 2007/08 which ended their 77-year stay among the 92 clubs.

David Holdsworth – who took over in December 2008 – led the Stags to a ninth place finish in the league, enjoying a fine home record but finding it difficult to earn results on their travels.

The club were deducted four points by the Conference the season before last for fielding an ineligible player in their opening two games of the campaign, which they won and drew.

The Field Mill faithful last tasted success when winning promotion along with the Town in 2001/02 finishing in third place earning promotion to the then Division 2.

They only lasted one season in Division 2 before relegation back to the League's basement division – only for them to lose in the Play-Off final at the Millennium Stadium against Huddersfield in 2003/04, their first season back in Division 3.

Russell Duncan took over from Holdsworth in December 2010 and guided the Stags to the FA Trophy final after beating the Hatters on aggregate at the semi-final stage.

Following a mid-table finish in the Blue Square Bet Premier the Stags' visit to Wembley ended in defeat after a last-minute goal in extra-time gave Darlington a 1-0 victory.

Duncan left Field Mill in the summer and was replaced by Paul Cox who has set his sights on a top five finish this term.

MEET THE MANAGER

Paul Cox



Paul Cox succeeded Duncan Russell in the Field Mill hot seat in May 2011 having beaten off stiff competition with his impressive track record at former club Eastwood Town.

Following an exhaustive search, Chairman John Radford appointed Cox with his win ratio and points-per-game record at Eastwood being key factors.

In five seasons at Coronation Park, the former Notts County and Kettering defender led The Badgers to two promotions and the FA Cup Third Round.

Cox made the switch to Field Mill having steered his former charges to an impressive fourth place finish in the Blue Square North.

Eastwood were barred from taking part in the Play-Offs due to ground grading issues but picked up the division's record for an unbeaten run along the way having gone 19 games without defeat.

The 39-year-old set about his work at Mansfield immediately by appointing ex-Solihull Moors boss Micky Moore as his number two, releasing nine players and signing 18 in preparation for the 2011/12 campaign.

IN OPPOSITION

COX HAILS HOME VICTORY

Like the Town at Southport on Saturday, Mansfield were involved in a topsy-turvy encounter in the Blue Square Bet Premier coming off best in a five-goal thriller against Hayes & Yeading United at Field Mill.

Paul Cox's side trailed twice before a Ben Hutchinson penalty in injury time won all three points for tonight's visitors to keep them in 10th place.

And while the Stags didn't have it all their own way against Nas Bashir's side, boss Cox believed his side deserved to emerge victorious.

He said afterwards: "The conditions were worse than the Forest Green game, especially in the first half, and I didn't think we did enough with the wind at our backs or had enough shots on target. Then we were hit by a sucker punch.

"It wasn't the greatest performance, apart from the last 20-25 minutes when we came alive and started to get the ball out wide and get crosses into the box.

"I thought overall we deserved to win it. Like Forest Green it was more about the result than the performance."

Trailing to the lowly Middlesex club you could be forgiven for expecting the home crowd to be restless, but Cox heaped praise on the Stags faithful for urging his side on to eventual victory.

"I sound like a scratched record but I thought the crowd were really amazing," he said.

"At 2-1 down they went a bit quiet but kick-started themselves again and had an immense effect on our performance, roaring us on late in the game. I am chuffed for them today."

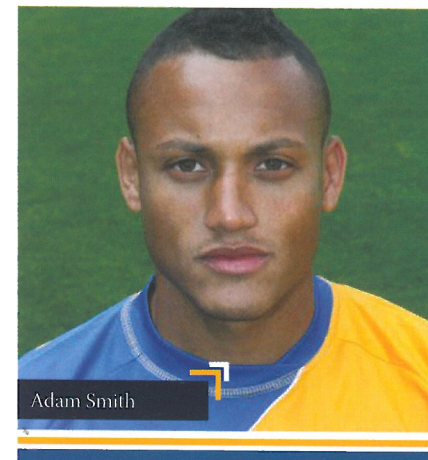
But the Stags chief was all smiles at the end after a mixed 90 minutes.

He added: "At half-time I felt we were not at full throttle and one or two minds might have been taking it a bit lightly, which has been our downfall this season. And we missed so many chances.

"Their second goal was a bit of a wake-up call. Then we started playing without any fear.

"Hutchinson's introduction was a major factor. There might have been a question mark over who took the penalty. But he stepped up and he is a confident player.

"Our two central midfielders covered every blade of grass out there against a three. They were both immense throughout the game. Size-wise they look like two midgets but are both quality players.



Adam Smith

"Credit to Adam Smith. His end product balls into the box were absolutely amazing."

IN TOWN

GOALKEEPER

Alan Marriott

Since joining the Stags in January 2009, the experienced Bedford-born stopper has proved to be a reliable safety net for the side. He joined Lincoln City in 1999 in search of games after starting his career at Tottenham Hotspur as a trainee but he did not make a first team appearance. At Sincil Bank he began to show his burgeoning talent, amassing just over 350 appearances for the Imps and playing a part in five consecutive League Two Play-Off finishes between 2003 and 2007. Marriott became the first Lincoln goalkeeper to keep 100 clean sheets and to play in 140 consecutive games during his time at the club.

DEFENDERS

Ritchie Sutton

A product of the youth setup at Crewe, Ritchie earned his first permanent contract at Gresty Road following successful loan spells at his local sides Leek Town and Stafford Rangers after helping the latter side to promotion from the Conference North through the Play-Offs in 2006. Having been released by Crewe, short stints at Northwich Victoria and Nantwich Town ended with Sutton returning to professional football at Port Vale. Sutton signed for the Stags on a one year deal in June 2011 to bolster the defence, as he is an adaptable defender, who can play at either centre-half or right-back.

Martin Riley

Former Wolves trainee who made his professional debut for Shrewsbury in 2008 before a lack of first team opportunities resulted in a move to Kidderminster. Having made 85 appearances for the Worcestershire outfit, Riley joined Cheltenham last season, making 29 starts, before joining the Stags in July 2011.

John Dempster

Experienced defender who joined the Stags on a three month loan from League Two promotion hopefuls Crawley Town in November. The 28-year-old made 15 appearances last season for the Red Devils in their BSBP-winning season last term.



Ritchie Sutton
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Dempster was captain of Kettering Town when they stormed to the Conference North title in 2008 and went on to make over 115 appearances for the club. His first championship medal was with Rushden and Diamonds, his first club, when the Diamonds won promotion from League Two in 2003.

Luke O'Neill

Young defender who has risen through the ranks at the Leicester City academy and has represented England at Under-17 level. O'Neill was part of the side that won the Premier Academy League in the 2006/07 season and has continued to feature for both the academy and reserve sides until he was promoted to the first team squad in July 2008. He signed his first professional contract in August 2008 but was loaned out to Tranmere Rovers and then to Kettering Town, before joining the Stags in June 2011.

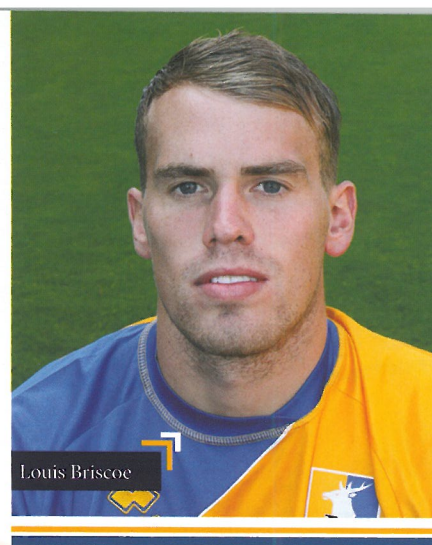
MIDFIELDERS

Lee Stevenson

Goalscoring midfielder who boasted a prolific record for Eastwood Town, netting 96 goals in his last three seasons. Stevenson started as a trainee at Sheffield Wednesday, but then later went on to impress at King's Lynn and Belper Town before signing for Eastwood Town. He signed for the Stags in May 2011 to reunite with manager Paul Cox, who made the same switch from Eastwood Town to Field Mill a week earlier.

Gary Roberts

Talented midfielder who signed for the club on a free transfer from Port Vale in January 2012. Roberts, who has represented England four youth age levels, began his career at Crewe Alexandra, where he made over 120 appearances, before making moves to Yeovil, Rotherham and Port Vale.



Louis Briscoe

Anthony Howell

Powerful midfielder who is enjoying his second spell at Field Mill, having briefly played for the club under former manager David Holdsworth in 2008/09. After being released in May 2009, having made just two substitute appearances, the 25-year-old went on to play a pivotal role in helping Alfreton Town to promotion to the Blue Square Bet Premier last season netting 14 goals. His time at the Impact Arena came to a close, however, when he turned down the offer of a new contract to sign for Mansfield in June 2011.

Adam Murray

Current captain enjoying his third spell at Field Mill following previous stints in 2002 and 2004. Murray began his career at Derby County, making his league debut in 1999 and establishing himself as part of the team, until he left to join Mansfield on loan in 2002. Spells at Kidderminster Harriers, Notts County and Burton Albion followed, before Murray signed for the Stags again in 2004. Murray soon left for Carlisle United and made over 50 appearances at Brunton Park before enjoying stints at Macclesfield Town, Oxford United and then Luton Town. A third spell at Field Mill began in 2010, initially on loan, until he made the move permanent in 2011.

Louis Briscoe

Talented winger who has become a starlet in the Stags side and was named in the Blue Square Bet Premier Team of the Year for the 2010/11 season. He began his career as a trainee at Port Vale where he made four first team appearances before being released in 2007. Gresley Rovers, Leek Town, Stafford Rangers and Ilkeston Town were amongst the clubs to use his services in the following two years before David Holdsworth brought him to Stags in 2009.

STRIKERS

Ross Dyer

Versatile frontman who began his career at Derby County at Under-15 level, before enjoying a spell at Hednesford. The New Lawn was his next destination with Forest Green Rovers, where he became a regular and proved that he could play in a number of positions by playing out on the wing. Dyer was added to the Mansfield ranks by Paul Cox in June 2011 with his four-figure transfer fee being settled by a sizeable donation from supporters fundraising group the 12th Stag.

Lindon Meikle

Promising young forward who had been attracting interest for his impressive record at Eastwood Town. The frontman netted 34 goals in 84 starts prior to signing for the Stags in May 2011.

Matt Green

Prolific frontman who has wasted no time in making his presence felt in Stags' forward line this season. His deadly touch in front of goal earned him a permanent move at the turn of the year from Oxford United, from whom he had previously joined on loan. The 24-year-old, also an England Schoolboy International, is familiar with plying his trade in the lower league having also turned out for Newport, Cardiff, Darlington, Torquay and Cheltenham in a six year career.

Ben Hutchinson

Highly-rated striker who wrote his name into the headlines when Middlesbrough swooped for the Nottingham-born marksman six years ago, paying a six-figure sum for his services from Arnold Town.

He then joined Glasgow Celtic and appeared for the Scottish giants in both SPL and Champions League matches. Loan spells with Swindon, Dundee and Lincoln City ensued, before a switch to Kilmarnock in the summer. After mutually terminating with the Scottish outfit, he signed for the Stags in January this year after a successful trial spell.





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Mansfield Town won the Third Division title in 1976/77. Peter Morris returned as player-manager and Johnny Miller followed him from Norwich City. Despite the summer sale of Ray Clarke, the Stags began with a 3-1 win over Preston and their unbeaten run of League matches stretched back to the previous February. Ernie Moss was signed from Peterborough and rekindled his striking partnership with Kevin Randall, while Billy McEwan arrived from Chesterfield. The Stags clinched promotion to the Second Division for the first time with a 2-0 win over Portsmouth, then the title with a 1-0 victory at Wrexham.

MANAGING TO SUCCEED

Ian Greaves

Ian Greaves plotted Mansfield Town's 1985/86 promotion success. Initially with Manchester United, he helped win the 1955/56 League Championship and was an FA Cup finalist in 1958. He played for Oldham Athletic and Altrincham before managing Huddersfield Town to the Second Division title in 1969/70. Repeating the feat with Bolton Wanderers in 1977/78, he had spells in charge of Oxford United and Wolves prior to becoming Mansfield's boss in 1983, plotting the Stags' 1987 Freight Rover Trophy final triumph. Staying until 1989, he died in 2009.

FAB FOUR

Stuart Boam

Commanding central defender Stuart Boam was ever-present as Mansfield Town reached the FA Cup sixth round in 1968/69. Signing professional at Field Mill in 1967, he was also ever-present for Mansfield in 1969/70 and moved to Middlesbrough for £50,000 in 1971. He skipped Boro to the Second Division title in 1973/74 and was an important member of Jack Charlton's side, joining Newcastle United in 1979. Returning to Mansfield as player-boss in 1981, he netted four goals in 190 League games overall until dismissed in 1983. He managed Guisborough and has since been a newsagent.



Colin Calderwood

Central defender Colin Calderwood was capped 36 times by Scotland after leaving Mansfield Town. Signing professional at Field Mill in March 1982, he scored once in 100 League games for the Stags before moving to Swindon Town in July 1985. He starred as they won the Fourth Division title in 1985/86, then helped win promotion in 1986/87 and featured in two further play-off finals including their 1993 Wembley triumph. Scoring 20 times in 330 League games for Swindon, he moved to Spurs in July 1993 and later played for Aston Villa and Nottingham Forest. He has since managed Northampton, Forest and Hibernian.

John McClelland

Northern Ireland international central defender John McClelland gained the first six of his 53 caps while at Mansfield Town. Previously with Portadown, Cardiff City and Bangor City, he was an early Billy Bingham signing for Mansfield in May 1978 and was ever-present for the Stags in 1980/81. He netted eight goals in 125 League games while at Field Mill before being sold to Glasgow Rangers for £90,000 in May 1981. Helping them twice win the Scottish League Cup, he joined Watford in November 1984 and then played for Leeds United. He became St Johnstone's player-manager and is now a Leeds United corporate host.

Ken Wagstaff

Goalscoring favourite Ken Wagstaff was leading marksman in Mansfield Town's 1962/63 promotion success. He impressed with Woodland Imps prior to joining Mansfield in May 1960 and was also top scorer in 1963/64, netting 93 goals in 181 League games while at Field Mill before moving to Hull City for £40,000 in November 1964. Forming a lethal partnership with Chris Chilton, he was an important figure in their 1965-66 Third Division title triumph and successive Cup runs. Injury ended his career in December 1975 and he managed Bridlington Town. He has since been licensee of the Marlborough Club in Hesse.



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LOOK BACK



**TOWN 1-0 STOCKPORT
PENALTY HOODOO OVER**



First team coach Paul Carden did the post-match honours after the 1-0 win over Stockport stretched the Town's winning run to five games in the Blue Square Bet Premier.

The Hatters ground out victory thanks to Aaron O'Connor's 73rd minute penalty after Adam Watkins was fouled by Joe Connor.

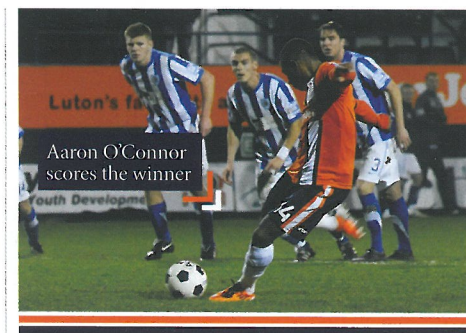
And Carden was full of praise for the team's second half performance after a low key showing in the first 45 minutes. "We knew it would be tough - we had reports from Stockport's game at Gateshead that they were unlucky not to get something - and we changed the way we've played recently by playing 4-4-2. But it didn't work. So, at half-time, we changed it back to 4-3-3 and I thought we took Stockport further up the pitch and as a result we started getting more success.

"It wasn't the free-flowing football we want, but a win's a win and we've got another clean sheet and it's a case of trying to keep this run going. You take any kind of win, we know we expect better but you'll always take winning three points regardless of how you play sometimes."

Gary Brabin started with Stuart Fleetwood and James Dance in a standard 4-4-2 before withdrawing both at half-time for Robbie Willmott and O'Connor as the Hatters tried to find a way past a stubborn County defence.

"At half-time the gaffer wasn't happy. We thought we were off it a bit," Carden said. "We weren't closing down enough but we regrouped and set our stall out better in the second half and, as the game wore on, it was becoming more evident that we were grinding them down.

"You could hear from their bench 'stick to the gameplan' and from their dressing room 'get the



crowd on their backs' which is the usual stuff we hear, but we didn't let that affect us...we got our reward in the end and, by full time, I don't think there could be any complaints from them had it been a couple more."

Finally the breakthrough came but Carden revealed that they were considering withdrawing Watkins minutes before the young midfielder winning the decisive penalty.

"He was cramping up and we were mulling over taking him off," he said. "But we kept him on and being one of our most energetic players he's dropped a shoulder, ran into the box and someone's stuck a knee out and he's gone down.

"He was superb as was Danny Crow. Both of their work-rates were fantastic. Adam has really grabbed what we've been asking him to do: closing people down, reacting when you lose the ball - and it's great to see."

As for the penalty - the Hatters' first successful spot-kick in three attempts - Carden hopes O'Connor's strike can finally end their nightmares from 12 yards.

"It was nice to see one go in first time for a change," he said. "Hopefully that's the monkey off our back now."

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TOWN

O'Connor 73 (pen)

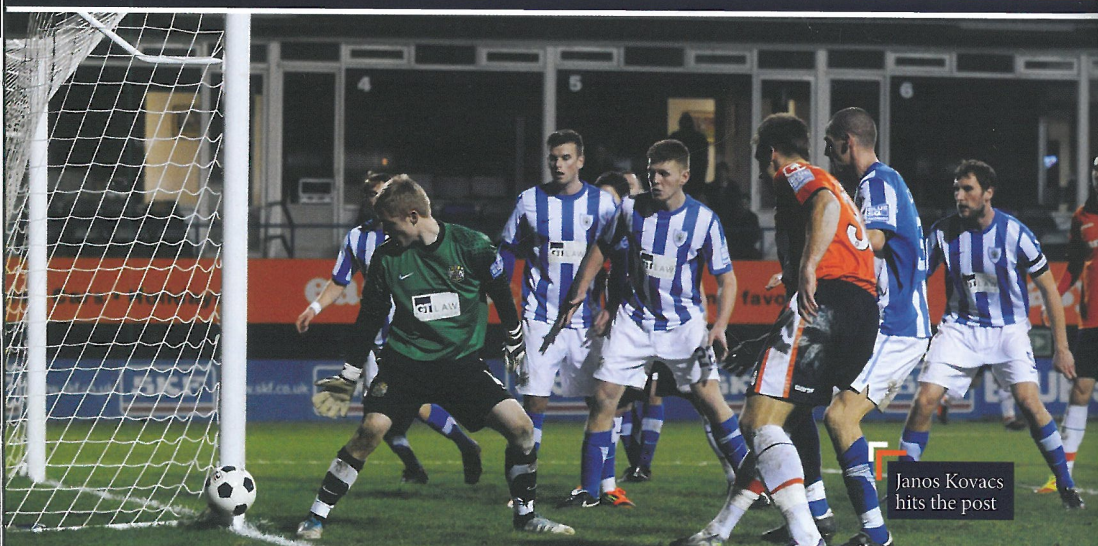
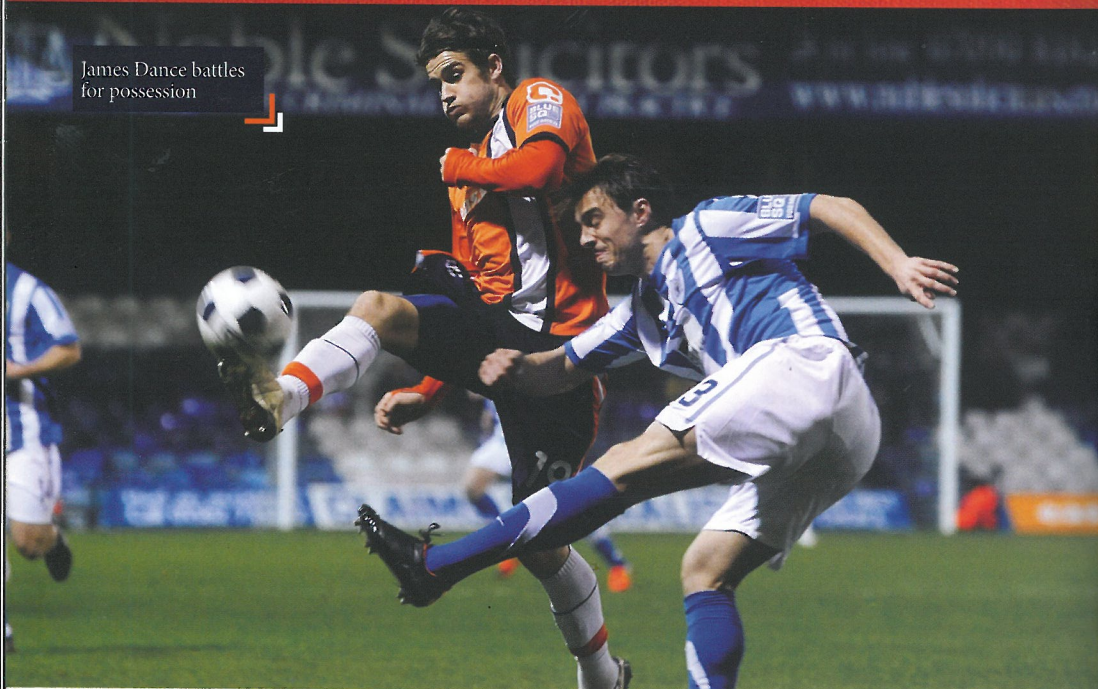


STOCKPORT

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James Dance battles for possession



Janos Kovacs hits the post

TOWN: K. Pilkington, Gleeson, Kovacs, G. Pilkington, Taylor, Dance (sub Willmott 46), Watkins, Lawless, Howells, Fleetwood (sub O'Connor 46), Crow. Subs not used: Kissock, Lacey, Tyler.

STOCKPORT: Ormson, Halls, O'Donnell, Piergianni, Holden, Cole (sub Rowe 75), Sheridan, Connor, Whitehead (sub Nolan 60), Gritton (sub Elliott 75), Rowe. Subs not used: Fraughan, Glennon.

ATTENDANCE: 5,588

POSSESSION

59% 41%

SHOTS ON TARGET

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SHOTS OFF TARGET

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CORNERS

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FOULS

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James Dance in airborne action

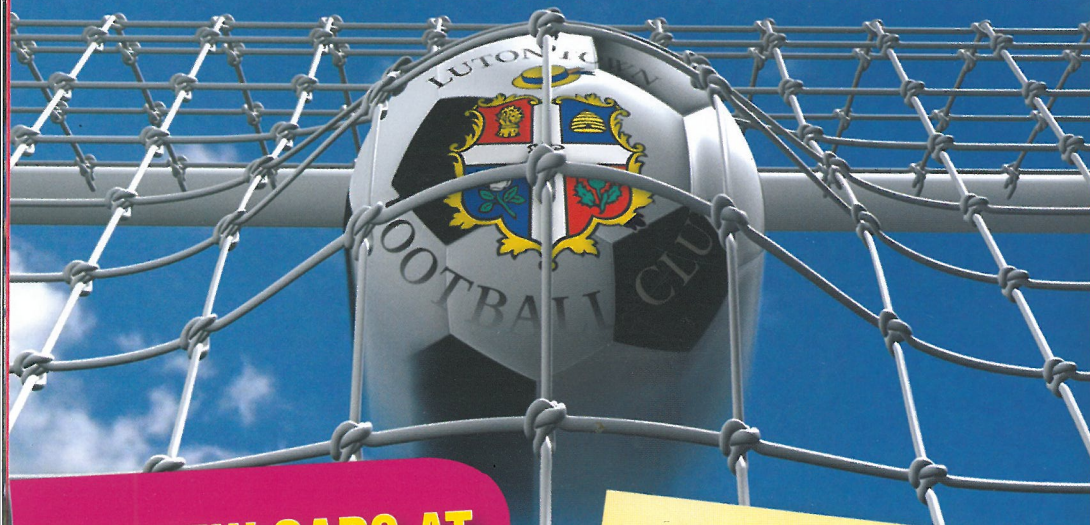


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LOOK BACK



**SOUTHPORT 3-3 TOWN
SIX-GOAL THRILLER**



Town boss Gary Brabin cut a frustrated figure after the topsy-turvy 3-3 draw at promotion rivals Southport.

The Hatters trailed 2-0 inside the first half-an-hour with Tony Gray's wind-assisted effort deceiving Kevin Pilkington to put the hosts ahead before Vinny Mukendi doubled the advantage.

But the Hatters stormed back to take the lead early in the second half through Aaron O'Connor after Danny Crow's header and Adam Watkins' fine finish had brought them level.

But after completing the turnaround, a freak own goal from Pilkington gave the Sandgrounders a share of the spoils when Gray's free-kick struck the foot of the post and bounced off the unfortunate goalkeeper.

And having been ahead the manager was left thinking what might have been against his former club.

"I'm disappointed that we dropped points, it's a real kick in the teeth," Brabin said afterwards. "Usually coming to Southport and getting a point wouldn't be a bad result but because we're playing catch-up on the teams above us it is disappointing.

"We started sloppy and ended up being two goals down after being on top, but we showed a bit of character and spirit, kept playing some good football, and we scored two great goals.

"I was delighted as it was nice football and the link-up play for Adam's goal was great with Alex Lawless, Jake Howells and Danny all involved."

The windy conditions at Haig Avenue played havoc throughout the 90 minutes but none more so than when Southport took the lead when Tony Gray's shot completely deceived Kevin Pilkington.

The Town attempt to clear at Haig Avenue



"It didn't take a deflection - the ball was heading for the top corner before blowing off course," confirmed Brabin.

"I was in line with it and there's nothing Kevin could do, it's just one of those things. Southport were willing to shoot like that whereas we were trying to be patient and create the perfect goal.

"You could see from the goal-kicks in the second half how strong the wind was and I think it got stronger as the game went on.

"We had to be patient for our chances, and when we did have the ball we played some great football and carved them open.

"I thought we were going to win it at the end when Crowy when clean through but it wasn't to be.

"It was a tough game played in tough conditions and given the circumstances it's not a bad point away from home."

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SOUTHPORT

Gray 9, Mukendi 32, K. Pilkington (og) 59



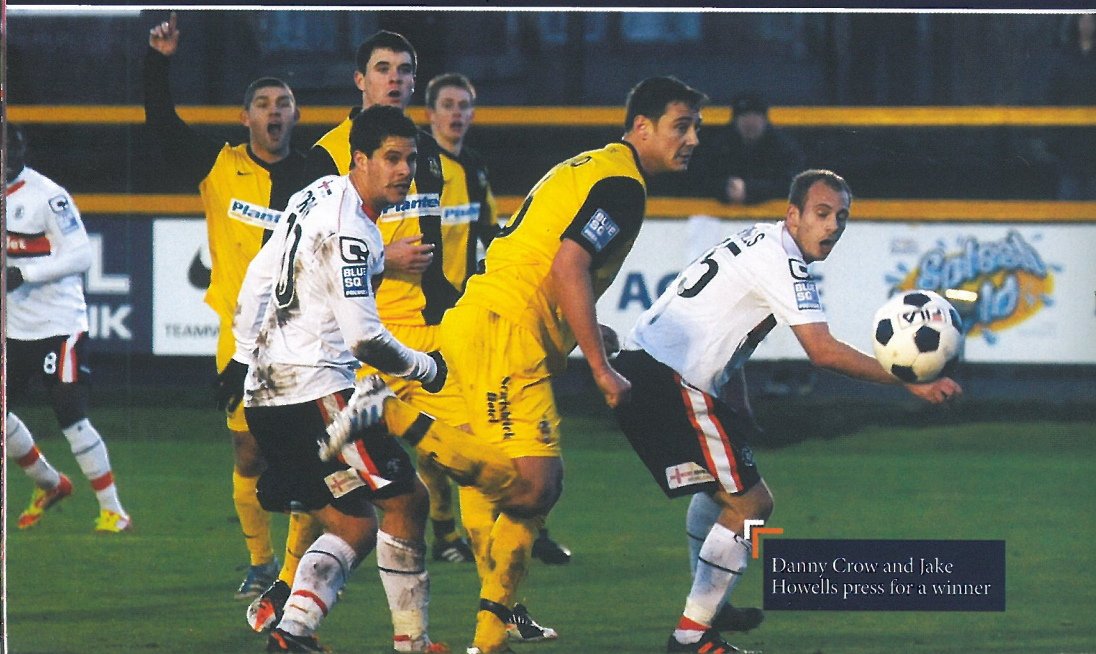
TOWN

Crow 39, Watkins 45, O'Connor 47

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Aaron O'Connor steers the Town 3-2 in front



Danny Crow and Jake Howells press for a winner

SOUTHPORT: McMillan, Smith, Lever (sub Benjamin 45), Akrigg, Grand, Whalley, Parry, Ledhsham, Owens, Gray, Mukendi (sub Ellison 75). Subs not used: Nemes, Carden, Brown.

TOWN: K. Pilkington, Gleeson, G. Pilkington, Kovacs, Taylor, Watkins, Lawless, Kissock (sub Morgan-Smith 63), O'Connor, Howells, Crow. Subs not used: Tyler, Poku, McAllister, Fleetwood.

ATTENDANCE: 1,665

POSSESSION

50% 50%

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Jake Howells anticipates a challenge





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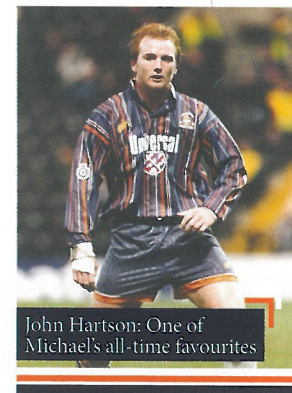
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MEMORY LANE



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■ **AGE:** 25

■ **LOCATION:** Houghton Regis

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■ **FIRST GAME:** Luton Town v Southend United, 1993 at Kenilworth Road.

■ **FIRST MEMORY:** All I can remember from my first game was the crazy-haired Ricky Otto who played for Southend.

■ **BEST GOAL SEEN:** Scott Oakes' goal against Derby County.

■ **BEST MATCH WITNESSED:** I think for the sheer ecstasy of the moment in time was the 1-0 win over Hull City at Kenilworth Road in 2004/05 when Ahmet Brkovic headed the winning goal in the last minute. It was billed as the Championship decider. It was a 1-0 massacre!

■ **WORST MATCH WITNESSED:** A 1-0 home defeat against Rotherham United in 2001 which saw us relegated to Division Three. I remember it pouring with rain and Joe Kinnear throwing a wobbly on the touchline – he was sent to the stands.

■ **BEST INDIVIDUAL PERFORMANCE SEEN BY A PLAYER:** Scott Oakes against West Ham United in the FA Cup quarter-final replay at Kenilworth Road. He was unplayable that night.

■ **FAVOURITE HATTERS KIT:** I like this season's home strip.

■ **FAVOURITE ALL-TIME PLAYER:** Scott Oakes

■ **FAVOURITE ALL-TIME MANAGER:** Joe Kinnear.

■ **ALL-TIME TOWN XI:** Ian Feuer, Graham Alexander, Steve Davis, John Dreyer, Matthew Taylor, David Preece, Scott Oakes, Kevin Nicholls, Carlos Edwards, Steve Howard, John Hartson.

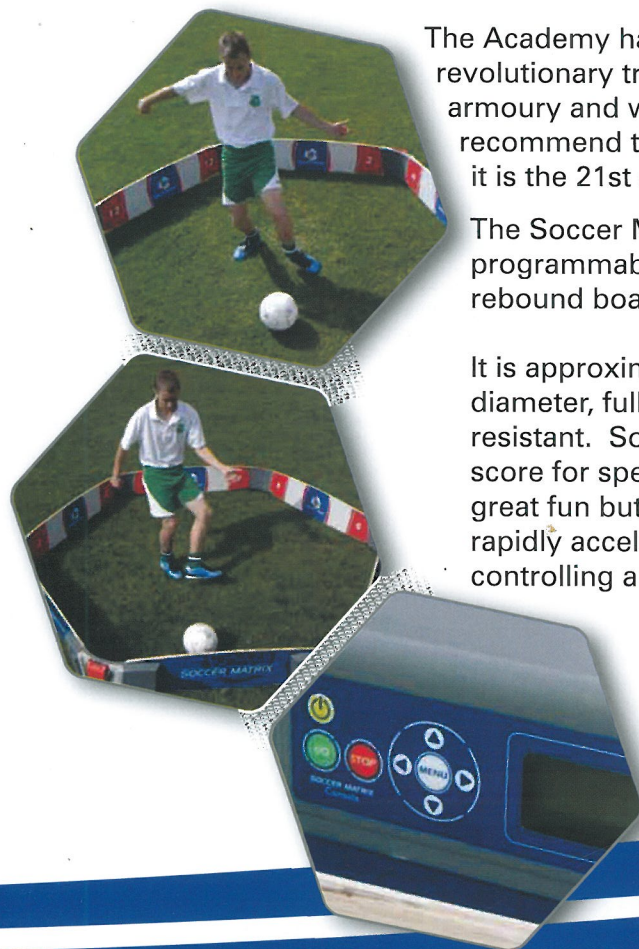
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Hatters Player subscribers have had plenty to sit back and watch since we were last at Kenilworth Road.

It's been a busy time for the Town in recent weeks which has seen a narrow victory over Stockport County, a goalless draw at Hinckley United and a pulsating 3-3 draw at Southport.

Hatters Player was there to get the reaction and it was first team coach Paul Carden that spoke to the cameras after the win over County.

The Town triumphed 1-0 thanks to Aaron O'Connor's penalty and the goalscorer was delighted to end the Hatters' hoodoo from the spot. After a short discussion with skipper George Pilkington the forward said he was more than confident of scoring after he'd missed his previous effort from 12 yards.

Pilkington then told the Player cameras that he wandered up field in search of a goal once the penalty was awarded before handing the responsibility to O'Connor.

At Hinckley, boss Gary Brabin was happy with the performances of his young players in the goalless draw at the Greene King Stadium. Goalkeeper Mark Tyler was the hero on the night for the Hatters with three vital saves to prevent the hosts from securing a

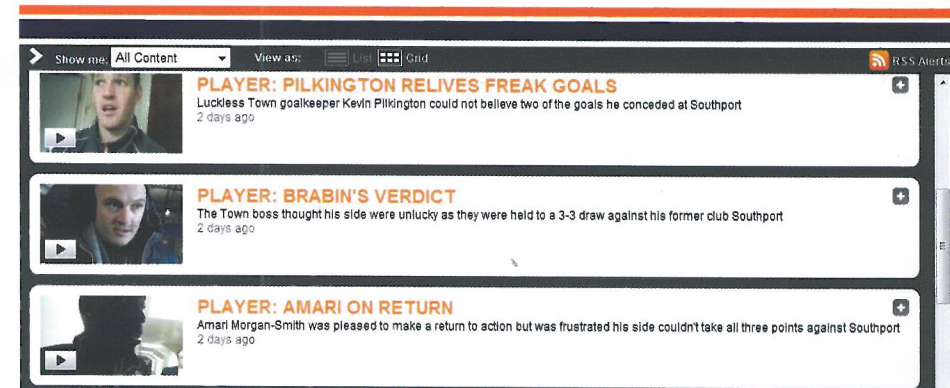
shock victory. And the stopper told Player he was just happy to keep another clean sheet.

At Southport it was another goalkeeper making the headlines and Kevin Pilkington explained to Player how difficult the swirling wind made for playing football. The stopper was unfortunate to concede three goals with the first a wind-assisted effort and the third on the day an own goal after a Southport free-kick had come back off the post.

Remember it will be the same once again after this evening's game when we'll have video reaction from all concerned from the dressing room. Remember if you can't get to a game, home or away, the official website at www.lutontown.co.uk has it covered.

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Danny Crow heads home the Hatters' first goal at Southport on Saturday

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PROMOTION PRIORITY

CRAIG MCALLISTER TELLS TALK OF THE TOWN HIS DREAMS OF ANOTHER PROMOTION

If last season was anything to go by then the Town have got themselves a player and a deal-and-half following the capture of Craig McAllister.

The 31-year-old, who arrived at Kenilworth Road last week on a loan deal until the end of the season, scored a dozen league goals for Crawley Town as the Red Devils clinched the Blue Square Bet Premier in record-breaking fashion.

One of the striker's goals was particularly crucial when he netted the winning goal on his last visit to this part of Bedfordshire. His injury-time winner at Kenilworth Road for Crawley inflicted the Town's first home defeat of the season at the time and enabled the Red Devils to build up a lead at the top of the table that they never relinquished.

But enough of Crawley, what about the Hatters' new man? As his new manager Gary Brabin says, it's a great capture for the club, and the Scottish striker who was born and raised on the south coast of England can't wait to get cracking at Kenilworth Road.

"When I got the phone call I was ecstatic," McAllister exclusively told Talk of the Town. "There was a slight chance I could have signed here in the summer but for family reasons I decided to opt to Newport but that's behind me now and I've come here to do the business.

"We want to get out of this league and that's my first priority."

The striker certainly knows what it takes to win the division following last season's success and while he looks back on his time with Crawley with fond memories it's something he wants to achieve a second time with the Town.

"Last year was the greatest of my career," he said. "Winning the league and playing in the FA Cup at Old Trafford against Manchester United was amazing. Crawley had their critics but we worked hard and supplemented that with ability and quality – and from what I know and from what I've seen there is plenty of that here.

"This is a massive club, the biggest club I've ever played for and hopefully I can help the club along and help push us back into the League. You look at the set-up and the history and there's no doubting this is a Football League club – and it's our aim to get out of this league."

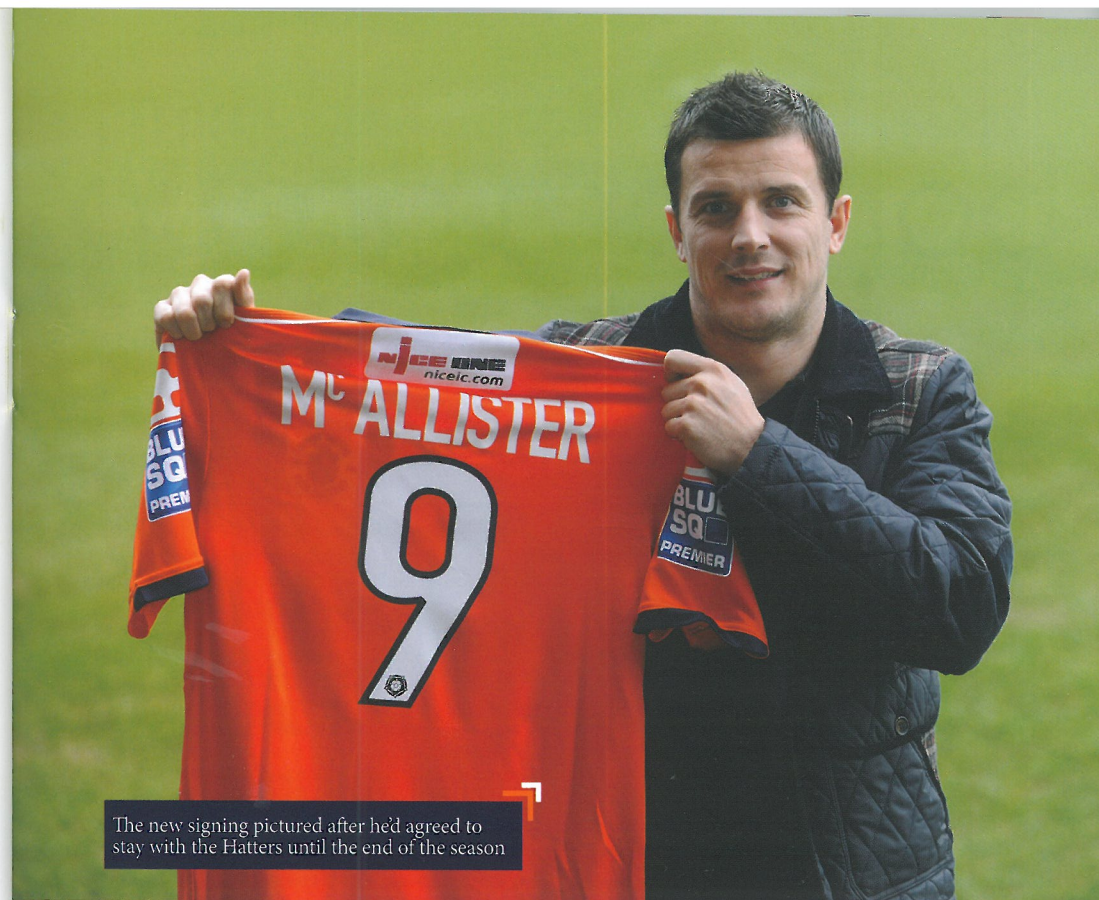
The Glasgow-born forward began his career in non-league circles before making his way up to the professional ranks and even came to Kenilworth Road on trial during the days of Joe Kinnear when he was banging in the goals for Basingstoke.

While he'll be known to some, he might not be known to others. So what are we likely to expect from the Hatters' newest recruit?

"I'm classed as a Big Man, as such but I can play a bit and score goals," McAllister says. "My goal record should be better – I know that – but I'm sure coming here will change all that with the quality we have in the squad.

"I love linking up the play and I work hard for the team.

"I scored 17 goals in all competitions last season and I targeted the same this year. It hasn't happened...yet, but I will work hard and try and earn my place in the team and take it from there."



The new signing pictured after he'd agreed to stay with the Hatters until the end of the season

Given his record last season and his exploits elsewhere, the striker is under no illusions as to how much of a challenge it will be for him to deliver the goods in Hatters colours.

"There was a lot of expectation on me at Newport and it didn't work out," he said. "But I'll make sure things happens here. Sometimes a player goes to a club and it doesn't happen and for me Newport didn't work for me for whatever reason.

"There was a lot of talk at Newport of pushing on and making the play-offs after a successful season last year and that was another reason I went there.

"When I signed they were hopeful of signing a few more players but some of their targets didn't come

off. We didn't start well and all of a sudden we found ourselves down at the bottom being dragged down into trouble.

"It was difficult and I can't pin-point what happened but it just happens sometimes.

"Here though, I know a few of the lads. James Dance I've played with at Crawley and Stuart Fleetwood I've played up front with at Exeter.

"I'm delighted to be here. I know expectations are huge here, I expect nothing less at a club of this size.

"But there's nothing better than winning promotion. I got a taste of it last year and I want to do it again with Luton, helping in the best way I can."

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KEVIN PILKINGTON RELIVES FREAK GOALS AT SOUTHPORT

It's fair to say that Town goalkeeper Kevin Pilkington will want to forget Saturday's 3-3 draw at Southport.

The unfortunate stopper was left helpless when attempting to keep out Tony Gray's shot that veered off course and ended up giving the hosts the lead against the run of play before scoring an own goal that gave the Sandgrounders an equaliser after the Town had rallied to lead 3-2 having been 2-0 down.

And the 37-year-old was left ruing "one of those days" as the two freak goals helped the hosts to a point.

"That wind was sent to try us," Pilkington said afterwards. "It was very difficult. We dug in, battled and come away with a good result. Three points would've been better but from two goals down we would've taken a draw, especially in those conditions.

"With the first goal, the strike was going one way, I've dived to cover it and it has been taken eight yards the other way by the wind.

"It was a good strike, heading towards the top left-hand corner and the wind's taken it into the middle of the goal.

"The lads are all looking at me asking 'did it take a deflection?' and you do look a bit silly, but there was nothing I could do – it was freakish."

And the former Manchester United man revealed the own goal was the first of his career.

"The third was an own goal and the career, but I couldn't have done a lot differently," he said.

"Despite that, the lads did well, it's a massive result for us and another point on the board.

"Three points would have been better. To be 2-0 down and then comeback and lead 3-2 in those conditions was fantastic but it's the manner of the goals we conceded that is the most frustrating.

"Some days aren't meant to be and there's not a lot I could do – they were just freakish goals.

"The third goal was another good strike but as I've turned around the ball is flying across goal and hit my heel.

"It's one of those things. To come away with a point is disappointing but given the circumstances we can't be too downhearted."



PICTURE THE PAST

WITH CLUB HISTORIAN ROGER WASH



After three-and-a-half seasons of success, the Town's tilt at promotion from Division Four to the top flight in record time was coming off the rails by the spring of 1971 and a succession of draws and single goal defeats pushed the team down the table.

By the time Birmingham visited Kenilworth Road at the beginning of April 1971, it was make or break time as the dropping of further points would mean that thoughts of promotion could be virtually forgotten. Birmingham travelled to Luton on the crest of a wave. From a position near the foot of the

table at Christmas, they had gone 14 games without defeat and picked up 25 points in the process (in the days of two points for a win), and were now only a point behind the Hatters.

Leading this resurgence of fortune was a 16-year-old forward, Trevor Francis, who had taken the football world by storm when scoring 15 goals in only 16 games. In their previous home game almost 50,000 had crammed into St Andrews and it was no surprise to hear that the Town were expecting over 8,000 to travel from the Midlands.

In a cup-tie atmosphere, Birmingham made a barnstorming start and were two goals up within the first 20 minutes. Firstly, half-fit Luton centre-half Chris Nicholl failed to clear a soft through ball leaving Bob Latchford with an easy chance and when Phil Summerill was left unmarked with a free header soon afterwards the Town's season seemed over.

The Town, though, were playing the better football and did not deserve to be trailing and, after 36 minutes, were handed a lifeline when Viv Busby, in and out of the side all season, headed a Malcolm Macdonald pass between two defenders and coolly slotted home.

It was now time for the Blues defence to come under pressure and, just before half-time, came the deserved equaliser when Busby managed to deflect a Macdonald shot, that was going wide, past Mike Kelly in the Birmingham goal.

The fightback was completed shortly after the break when Alan Slough hammered in a 30 yard free-kick with the Birmingham defenders still setting up a wall. From then on the game was end to end but the Town managed to hold on and dent the progress of the Blues while at the same time ensuring that their own promotion hopes were re-awakened.

John Moore moves to the ball before the onrushing Trevor Francis during the Town's clash with Birmingham at Kenilworth Road in April 1971



Liverpool's Alan Hansen tries to hide his dislike of the Kenilworth Road artificial surface as he lines up alongside Steve Foster before an FA Cup clash in 1986

THE CAMERA NEVER LIES

BY CLUB HISTORIAN ROGER WASH

Having already lost 4-1 at Kenilworth Road earlier in the season, Liverpool were probably not best pleased when they were later drawn out of the hat to take on Luton in an FA Cup third round tie on the dreaded artificial surface. They therefore came to Luton and completely shut up shop hoping for a replay which they duly won after a tedious 0-0 stalemate.

On the day of the replay the Town, having heard of bad weather threatening the roads in the north, decided to fly but on reaching Heathrow found that there were no flights out because of the weather.

They were stranded without a chance of getting to Anfield in time and the game had to be postponed despite the pitch being perfectly playable.

Liverpool, and in particular manager Kenny Dalglish, were scathing in their criticism of the 'unprofessional' Town who, of course, should have made arrangements to travel up the day before.

The moaning went way over the top and had even moved on to the number of pies that had gone to waste before the listening press got bored. When the game was eventually replayed, the Town were really up against it with a highly critical, vociferous home support to contend with plus the might of the best team in the land.

That they held out for 120 minutes to force a second replay speaks volumes for the resolve of the players and made John Moore, who was thinking of resigning after the debacle of the postponement, a proud man. The Town won the toss of the coin for choice of venue for the second replay and it was back to Kenilworth Road two days later.

On another famous night under the floodlights the Town hammered Liverpool with Brian Stein proving that you could bend free-kicks on an artificial surface when giving the Town the lead, Mick Harford netting from the spot after Stein was tripped and Newell again with a piledriver following Steve Foster's opening. Boy, did Dalglish moan after this one!

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



MORE TO **COME** CAPTAIN EYES FURTHER IMPROVEMENT

After the Town's last match at Kenilworth Road, captain **George Pilkington** hailed the Hatters' resilience after grinding out a narrow victory over Stockport County.

County frustrated the Town until Aaron O'Connor converted a 73rd-minute penalty but the skipper - who had been a doubt to face County having picked up a dead leg in the 2-0 win over Newport - thought their determination was enough to deserve all three points.

"It was a tough game, they had a game plan but we stuck at it and a win's a win," the centre-half said afterwards. "It was an important three points, especially as we've got a bit of a break until the next league game at Southport in 10 days time. It's very good to win - albeit with not a very good performance.

"It's games like these that at the end of the season you look back and think to yourself 'that was a good win' and, even though they had one or two chances, they didn't create much that really hurt us.

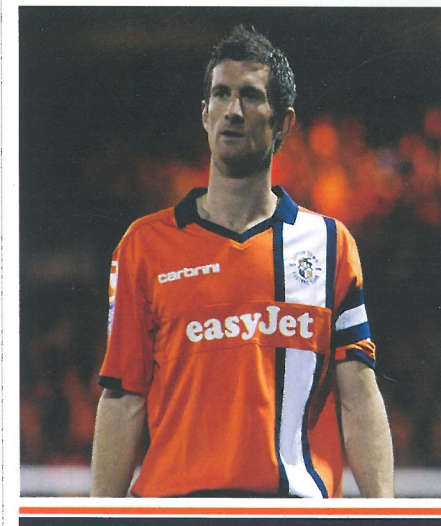
"It's in these tight games that something like a set-piece was going to decide it and so it proved with the penalty."

After four goals from defence last season the 30-year-old has yet to break his duck this season.

And when Adam Watkins was fouled by Joe Connor inside the box the captain strode upfield with the intention of netting that elusive goal until substitute O'Connor stepped forward.

"I was sneaking forward for it!" Pilkington said. "I think everyone's had a go this season and I was the default choice! I put myself forward as captain and backed myself to score but I looked at Aaron and he had that look in his eye that he was confident so I backed him and thankfully he scored."

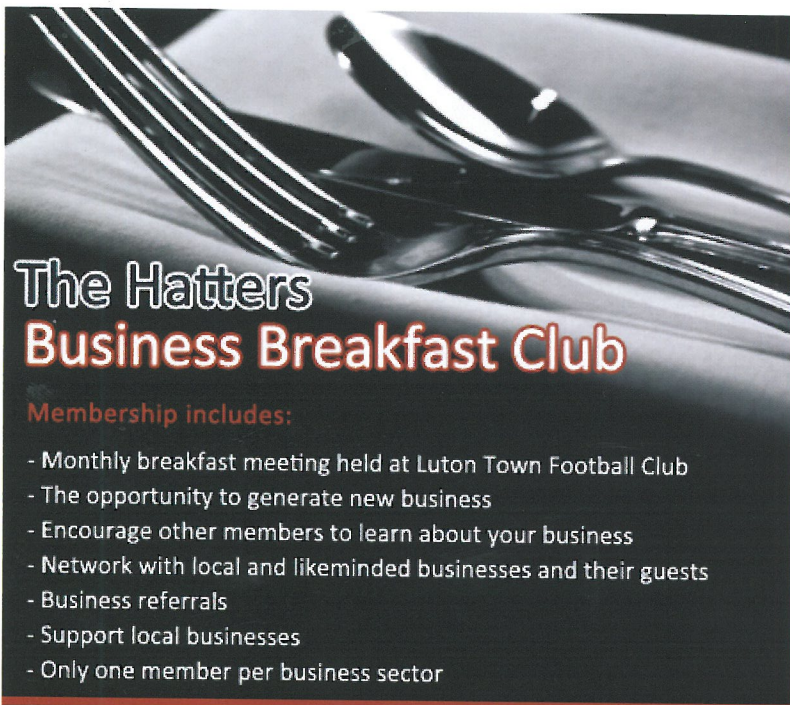
The former Port Vale defender - now in his fourth season at Kenilworth Road - has forged an impressive partnership in central defence with Janos Kovacs and is now part of a backline that has conceded just once in their last six games.



But Pilkington, who missed the first two months of the season through injury, believes he's got more to offer in the crucial second half of the campaign.

"I'm very critical of my own game," he said. "I want to win more headers and I want to be more dominant in the air. I very rarely come off the pitch feeling pleased with my performance and I still think there's more to come from myself.

"From a team perspective we've really improved our work ethic and it's really working for us at the moment and keeping a clean sheet always gives us a good foundation to build on."



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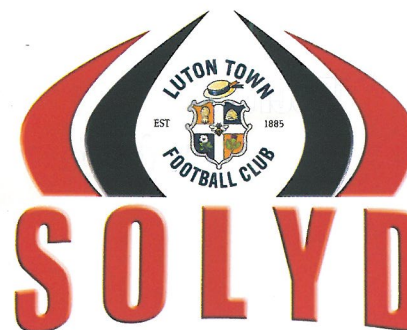
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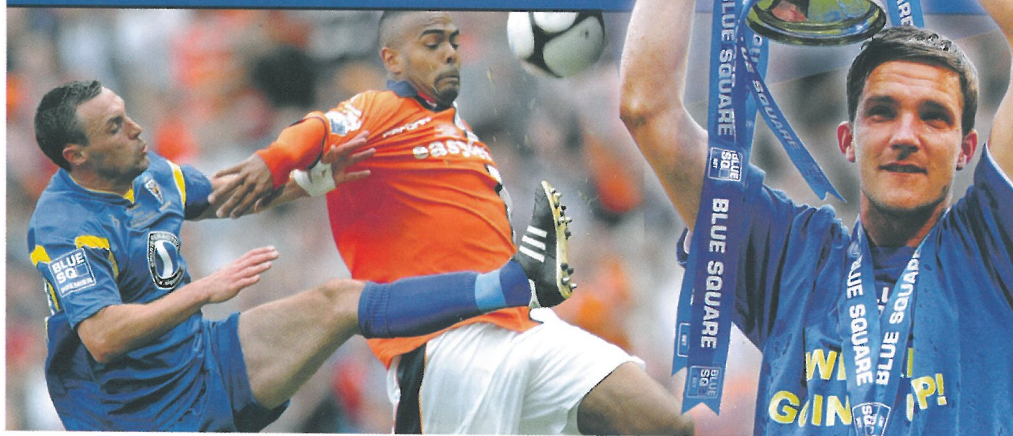
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 SOUTH-EAST DIVISION

AUGUST

6 - COLCHESTER UNITED (H) L 0-1
 13 - QUEENS PARK RANGERS (A)
 D 2-2

20 - BARNET (H) W 3-1
 27 - WYCOMBE WANDERERS 2-1

SEPTEMBER

3 - NORTHAMPTON TOWN (H) 2-0
 10 - BRENTFORD (A) L 0-1
 17 - STEVENAGE (H) W 4-1
 19 - ROTHWELL CORINTHIANS (H)
 FAYC W 11-2

24 - PETERBOROUGH UNITED (H)
 D 1-1

OCTOBER

5 - LEIGHTON TOWN (H) FAYC W 5-1
 8 - BARNET (H) PYC D 1-1
 15 - STEVENAGE (H) PYC W 4-1
 21 - DEREHAM TOWN (A) FAYC L 1-2
 29 - WYCOMBE WANDERERS (H)
 PYC W 5-2

NOVEMBER

5 - PETERBOROUGH UNITED (A) PYC
 L 2-3
 8 - NORTHAMPTON TOWN (A) PYC
 W 2-1
 12 - WYCOMBE WANDERERS (H)
 L 1-4
 19 - NORTHAMPTON TOWN (A)
 W 1-0

DECEMBER

3 - LEYTON ORIENT (A) L 0-3
 7 - PETERBOROUGH UNITED (A)
 D 1-1
 28 - COLCHESTER UNITED (A)

FEBRUARY

4 - QUEENS PARK RANGERS (H)
 11 - BARNET (A)
 18 - MILLWALL (H)
 25 - SOUTHBEND UNITED (A)

MARCH

3 - BRIGHTON & HOVE ALBION (H)
 10 - ALDERSHOT TOWN (A)
 17 - AFC WIMBLEDON (H)
 24 - DAGENHAM & REDBRIDGE (A)
 31 - CRAWLEY TOWN (A)

APRIL

SAT - 14 LEYTON ORIENT (H)
 SAT - 21 GILLINGHAM (H)

SHADOW SQUADS

FOOTBALL CONFERENCE
 YOUTH ALLIANCE
 CENTRAL DIVISION

SEPTEMBER

14 - ST ALBANS CITY (A) L 0-5
 28 - TAMWORTH (H) D 2-2

OCTOBER

12 - CORBY TOWN (A)
 26 - WATFORD HERTSWOOD (H)

NOVEMBER

2 - KIDDERMINSTER HARRIERS (H)
 9 - OXFORD CITY (A)
 16 - BIRMINGHAM CITY WHITES (H)
 23 - CHASE TOWN (A)
 30 - FOOTBALL CV REDS (H)

DECEMBER

7 - HITCHIN TOWN (A)

JANUARY

11 - KETTERING TOWN (H)
 25 - KETTERING TOWN (A)

FEBRUARY

1 - ST ALBANS CITY (H)
 8 - TAMWORTH (A)
 22 - CORBY TOWN (H)
 29 - WATFORD HERTSWOOD (A)

MARCH

14 - KIDDERMINSTER HARRIERS (A)
 21 - OXFORD CITY (H)
 28 - BIRMINGHAM CITY WHITES (A)

APRIL

4 - CHASE TOWN (H)
 18 - FOOTBALL CV REDS (A)
 25 - HITCHIN TOWN (H)

SOUTHERN COUNTIES
 FLOODIT YOUTH LEAGUE
 CORINTHIAN DIVISION

AUGUST

29 - NEWPORT PAGNELL D 1-1

SEPTEMBER

5 - CHESHAM UNITED (H) L 0-3
 12 - LEIGHTON TOWN (H)
 26 - BOREHAM WOOD (A)

OCTOBER

3 - HEMEL HEMPSTEAD TOWN (H)
 17 - CHESHAM UNITED (A)
 24 - NEWPORT PAGNELL TOWN (H)

NOVEMBER

7 - LEIGHTON TOWN (A)
 21 - BOREHAM WOOD (H)
 28 - HEMEL HEMPSTEAD TOWN (A)



YOUTH ALLIANCE LEAGUE TABLE

TEAM	P	W	GD	PTS
1 Gillingham	13	10	25	31
2 Brighton & Hove Albion	11	8	23	26
3 Queens Park Rangers	10	7	12	24
4 Southend United	13	6	9	22
5 Crawley Town	12	6	1	22
6 LUTON TOWN	12	6	5	21
7 Leyton Orient	14	7	-3	21
8 Brentford	11	6	2	19
9 Millwall	13	5	9	18
10 Colchester United	13	6	4	18
11 Barnet	12	5	2	16
12 Wycombe Wanderers	12	5	-7	16
13 Peterborough United	12	3	-5	14
14 Northampton Town	12	4	-3	13
15 AFC Wimbledon	13	3	-24	9
16 Aldershot Town	12	2	-11	8
17 Dagenham & Redbridge	14	2	-26	8
18 Stevenage	11	1	-13	6

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ACADEMY UPDATE

YOUNG TRIO JOIN CHELSEA

As we revealed on our official website last week, three highly-rated youngsters from our academy have joined Premier League giants Chelsea.

Brothers Rio, Cole and Jay Dasilva have signed terms with the Blues in separate transfers each worth five figures.

The deal comes in the light of ruling by a tribunal that Peterborough United must pay the Hatters a fee for signing Michael Richens after the defender had spent three-and-a-half years developing in the Town academy.

Twins Rio and Cole, 12, and older brother Jay, 13, had all been part of the academy since the age of seven. The compensation agreements will also include additional payments should the boys progress through the ranks, with the overall worth of the deal reaching seven figures should the trio go on to make it through to the Blues' first team.

Head of Youth Gregg Broughton told Talk of the Town: "I am hesitant to talk about the boys in the collective term because they have all have wonderful unique attributes, but this is a historical deal to see three brothers transferred together.

"Following our loss in the play-offs last season we were told that the boys wished to look at other options, as was their prerogative to do so, and now after six months of uncertainty, we are delighted that they have found a club where they are settled and one that recognises the development work that Luton Town have put in over the last five years.

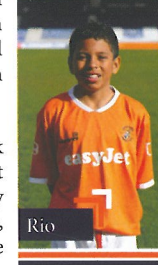
"Jay is a special talent, a fantastic student of the game whose temperament complements his technical ability.



Cole



Jay



Rio

"Cole has strong physical attributes and is very comfortable in possession while Rio is a real livewire, whose ability to play in tight areas has always allowed him to shine.

"Their family has a strong footballing background with older brother Ryan playing as a professional here at Kenilworth Road and father Trevor also a very talented player in the past.

"We never like to lose talented players from the club, but if players are unsettled and wish to look elsewhere, and the deal is right for all parties, then it is the most sensible way to progress.

"We would like to thank Chelsea for the professional manner in which they have conducted themselves and wish the boys the very best for their ongoing careers."

Managing director Gary Sweet added: "The sale of three bright prospects to a club of the stature of Chelsea further strengthens our reputation as one of the most successful clubs in the country for recognising and developing future football stars.

"Jay, Rio and Cole have exciting futures ahead of them and we are proud to have been involved in their development.

"Last Wednesday's tribunal hearing further substantiates our position that we will not stand by and let clubs pick up our players for nothing after we have spent time and money developing them. "Chelsea have behaved impeccably during the negotiation process and for that we thank them unreservedly.

"On behalf of everyone at the Club I would like to wish all three brothers all the very best in their fledgling careers away from Kenilworth Road."



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CLUB STATEMENT

CAR PARK NOTICE FOR SUPPORTERS



As supporters may be aware, there is significant construction work taking place around the club for the installation of the Luton to Dunstable guided bus route. As part of this work, Luton Borough Council has taken a section of Maple Road car park to develop a new bus stop.

It was always known that the disruption from this work would make a number of our car parking spaces unavailable at various times. However, in the short term, we have been informed that we will be significantly impacted by the temporary loss of a large number of spaces. We are trying to manage the impact of this to the best of our ability, however, unfortunately this will affect access routes to certain car parks for the remainder of the season. This also means the possible reallocation of supporters' seasonal car parking spaces and we have sent out letters to those supporters concerned.

The changes include access to our main Maple Road car park. Entry access to this car park has now changed and supporters must access this from Maple Road West, as attached show on the map below.

The main car park is temporarily divided into two parts with no access through the car park to the club's main entrance. To access main reception, supporters must exit the car park and walk back into Maple Road.

The work currently being undertaken has meant that a significant number of car park spaces have been lost.

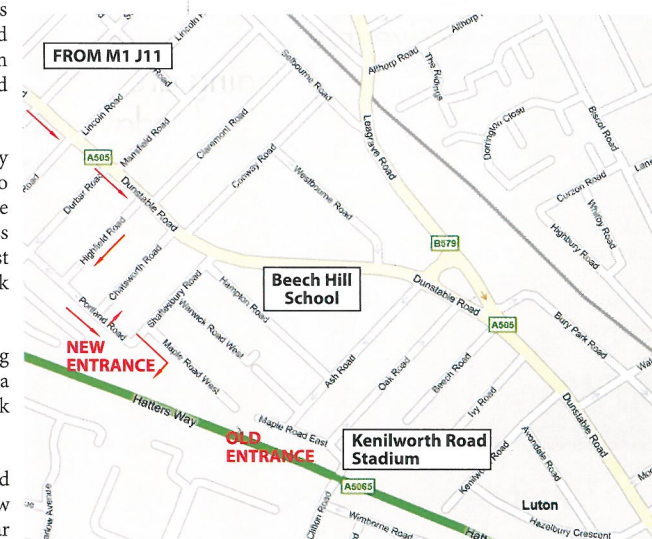
Unfortunately only a very limited number of spaces are now allocated in the top end of the car

park, and these have been designated exclusively for match officials, club directors and disabled blue badge holders only.

This change will now be in place for the remainder of the 2011/12 season. Supporters must note that should they try and use the Maple Road East entrance by car, they will be refused entry and will have to go back round the one way system to access the correct entrance. As the building work and councils requirements change, this may also affect allocated car parking spaces on a match-to-match basis.

The Club would like to stress that we will endeavour to allocate those supporters who have purchased a parking space, and accommodate you to the best of our ability. This is a fluid situation which will improve as the season progresses and we will keep all supporters updated with accordingly.

The Club would like to apologise for any inconvenience caused.



ON THIS DAY

SIMON PITTS LOOKS BACK ON GAMES PLAYED AT HOME ON THIS DAY

7

The Hatters have won all seven matches played at Kenilworth Road on this date, scoring 13 goals, and conceding just one.

4

The number of times that Luton won 1-0 in these fixtures. The first of these came in 1930 when Bournemouth were the visitors for a Division Three (South) fixture. Jimmy Yardley scored the only goal of the game.

2

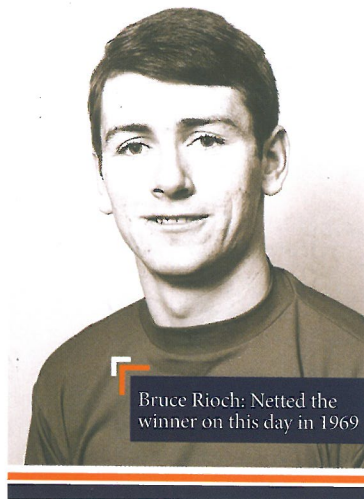
The number of FA Cup ties played on this date. The first of these saw the Town score two goals in a 2-0 win over Swansea Town in 1947 to progress to the fifth round. Mel Daniel and an own goal from Swansea's Roberts gave the Hatters victory. This game also saw the highest attendance of these seven fixtures, with 24,327 inside Kenilworth Road.

3

It was a Division Three game in 1964 that Luton conceded their only goal at Kenilworth Road on this day – but they still scored three in reply. Harry Walden, John O'Rourke and a penalty converted by Gordon Turner gave the Hatters maximum points in a 3-1 victory against Colchester United. The game was watched by the lowest attendance on this day at Kenilworth Road of 4,726.

1

The only other Division Three game, in 1969, saw Walsall beaten 1-0 courtesy of a goal from Bruce Rioch.



Bruce Rioch: Netted the winner on this day in 1969

4

The biggest margin of victory came in 1986 when Bristol Rovers were beaten 4-0 in the fourth round of the FA Cup. Mick Harford and Ricky Hill scored goals in the first half before Marc North netted to make it 3-0 after the break. The scoring was completed when Tim Parkin deflected a shot into his own net.

8

The number of years since Matthew Spring scored the only goal of the game as Wycombe Wanderers were beaten 1-0 in 2003.

1

It's only a year since a game was last played at Kenilworth Road on this date when Claude Gnakpa scored the decisive goal as the Town beat Grimsby Town 1-0.

12

The number of games previously played between the Town and Mansfield at Kenilworth Road. The Hatters have won six, lost two and drawn four against the Stags. The Hatters have scored 32 goals and conceded 19.

4.25

The staggering average number of goals scored between the Town and Mansfield when they meet at Kenilworth Road. Luton have won 4-2, 7-2, 5-3 and 4-1 over the years, whilst Mansfield won 3-2 in 2002.

NLP VIEW

WITH SAM ELLIOTT

Twitter, footballers and a Saturday night full of pent-up frustration. You won't find a more lethal cocktail this side of those ropery buy-one-get-one-free bars in Glasgow.

The social network site has cost fast-fingered players a fortnight's wages before now, but last week it cost one of them their job.

Lee Steele, the veteran Oxford City striker, suffered a moment of stupidity whilst watching Celebrity Big Brother, not that tuning in to that dross aged 38 wasn't criminal enough.

Steele, with smart phone in hand, decided to tell his followers that he would not much fancy sleeping in the bed next to openly gay former rugby star Gareth Thomas, a BB housemate.

The former Leyton Orient striker then went for a crude crowd-pleasing hash-tag, but his joke was met with a shake of the head by club officials and then the Football Association.

His comment was considered homophobic and Oxford, as a proud community club, weren't interested in hearing his excuses for it.

Steele said his tweet was brainless and wisely used the NLP last weekend to apologise for the offence he has caused.

Let's be clear. Homophobia and racism have no place in football, and it's critical that every effort is made to publicise the issues surrounding the too often taboo subject. Banter it is not.

His fate powerfully illustrates the dangers of Twitter, and how the eyes and ears at the FA are now ready to jump on any out-of-place posts even at grass-roots level.

Thankfully for any footballers reading this column and probably regretting something they've said online, we at The Non-League Paper aren't a tabloid trouble maker.

If we were, there would be a fair number of players in hot water – from ref rants to complaints about team selection, more and more are unwisely venting their frustration via this easily accessible medium.

If the Oxford City striker should have been given his P45 for what was clearly a misplaced joke, you can judge for yourself.

But now it's clear the powers that be at Wembley Stadium are keeping a close eye on what's being said. As Mr Steele knows all too well, Big Brother is watching.



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LUTON TOWN v ALFRETON TOWN

BLUE SQUARE BET PREMIER

SATURDAY 28TH JANUARY 2012, KICK-OFF 3PM

Tickets are now on sale at normal match day prices.



LUTON TOWN v TAMWORTH

BLUE SQUARE BET PREMIER

SATURDAY 18TH FEBRUARY 2012, KICK-OFF 3PM

Tickets are now on sale at normal match day prices.



LUTON TOWN v BATH CITY

BLUE SQUARE BET PREMIER

SATURDAY 3RD MARCH 2012, KICK-OFF 3PM

Tickets are now on sale at normal match day prices.



ALL AREAS

Juniors (Under 10)	£5
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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Youth (Age 10-16)	£8
Young Adult (Age 17-21)	£13
Adult (Age 22-64)	£15
Senior (Age 65-75)	£13
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IN PERSON: Ticket office, Kenilworth Road. **PHONE:** 01582 416976 **ONLINE:** www.eticketing.co.uk/lutontown

SAFETY NOTICE

In the event of an emergency in the stadium, Luton Town Football Club and the emergency services have agreed on an evacuation procedure which is designed to ensure the safe and controlled evacuation of the crowd, and to ensure their safe dispersal from the area, to allow the emergency services to carry out their tasks. In the event of an evacuation from all or part of the stadium, you will receive instructions over the public address system on how you should leave the stadium. In an evacuation of the main stand you will be instructed to use the pitch. Stewards will direct you to your nearest exit. It may be that your normal exit route will not be available. On leaving the stadium you will find some roads closed to pedestrians to enable swift and unobstructed access for the emergency services. Please leave the area of the ground as quickly as possible by the route directed. Your co-operation will be most appreciated.

ON THE ROAD

SUPPORT THE TOWN ON OUR TRAVELS



BARROW v LUTON TOWN

BLUE SQUARE BET PREMIER

SATURDAY 4TH FEBRUARY 2012, KICK-OFF 3PM

This game will be rearranged depending on the result of Monday's FA Trophy tie with Hinckley United. We have yet to receive ticket information for this match.



FOREST GREEN ROVERS v LUTON TOWN

BLUE SQUARE BET PREMIER

SATURDAY 11TH FEBRUARY 2012, KICK-OFF 3PM

We have yet to receive ticket information for this match.



DARLINGTON v LUTON TOWN

BLUE SQUARE BET PREMIER

SATURDAY 25TH FEBRUARY 2012, KICK-OFF 3PM

We have yet to receive ticket information for this match.



GETTING TO...BARROW - HOLKER STREET

Bobbers Travel (01234 856542): £27 adults, £24 concessions. Departure: 8am.

Town on Tour (07960 567465): £30 adults, £28 concessions. Departure: 8.30am.

Car: Leave the M6 at Junction 36 and take the A590 towards Barrow-in-Furness. As you enter the outskirts of Barrow you will pass a fire station on your right. You should now be able to see the floodlights of the stadium over on your left. Turn left into Wilkie Road and then right into Holker Street. Plenty of street parking is available.

For the sat-nav: LA14 5UW

By train: Barrow-in-Furness railway station is located just under a mile away from the ground. It is served by trains from Lancaster and Carlisle.

GETTING TO...FOREST GREEN ROVERS - THE NEW LAWN

Bobbers Travel (01234 856542): £18 adults, £15 concessions. Departure: 10am.

Town on Tour (07960 567465): £18 adults, £16 concessions. Departure: 11.30am.

Car: When planning a trip here, don't try and find Forest Green on your road map, look up Nailsworth, south of Stroud in Gloucestershire. The best way to approach is from the M5 and exit at junction 13 and head for Stroud on the A419. At Stroud turn onto the A46 towards Nailsworth. This will bring you into the centre of the town, when you reach the Information Centre take the first right at the mini roundabout which goes up a steep hill sign posted Forest Green. The Lawn is at the top of this hill. Turn left at the roundabout at the summit into the Club car park.

For the sat-nav: GL6 0ET

By train: There is no railway station in Nailsworth itself. The nearest is in Stroud which is three miles away.

FIXTURES & RESULTS



DATE	TIME	H/A	OPPOSITION	SCORE	ATT	AWAY	POS	STARTING XI	SUBS
August									
Tue 16	19:45	H	Forest Green Rovers	1-1	6,061	60	16	K. Pilkington, Asaifu-Adjaye, Beckwith 1, Antwi, Osano, Keane, Howells, Lawless, O'Connor, Dance, Barnes-Horner*	Willmott*, Watkins, Morgan-Smith, Crow, Kidd
Sat 20	15:00	H	Southport	5-1	5,681	64	10	Tyler, Osano, Beckwith, Antwi 1, Howells, Keane, Watkins 1**, Lawless, Willmott 1, Duns O'Connor**	M-Smith 1**, Crow 1*, A-Adjaye**, Barnes-Horner, K. Pilkington
Tue 23	19:45	A	Mansfield Town	1-1	2,592	437	10	Tyler, Osano, Beckwith, Antwi 1, Asaifu-Adjaye*, Dance, Watkins, Howells, Morgan-Smith O'Connor**, Crow	Gleeson*, Walker**, Poku, Barnes-Horner, K. Pilkington
Sat 27	15:00	H	Braintree Town	3-1	5,703	110	6	Tyler, Osano, Beckwith, Antwi, Howells 1, Dance**, Lawless*, Keane, Willmott, Crow**, Smith 2	Watkins*, O'Connor**, Kiscock**, A-Adjaye, K. Pilkington
Tue 30	19:45	A	Hayes & Yeading United	2-2	1,015	727	8	Tyler, Osano, Beckwith, Antwi, Howells*, Dance**, Lawless*, Keane, Willmott, Crow 1**, Smith 1	Watkins*, A-Adjaye*, O'Connor**, Kiscock, K. Pilkington
September									
Fri 2	19:45	A	Stockport County	1-1	3,389	321	6	Tyler, Osano, Keane, Antwi, A-Adjaye, Lawless 1, Kiscock*, Watkins, Willmott, M-Smith, Gw**	Dance*, Fleetwood**, O'Connor, Carden, K. Pilkington
Sat 10	15:00	H	Darlington	2-0	5,952	151	6	Tyler, Keane, Antwi, Beckwith, Howells, Lawless, Hand, Willmott, Morgan-Smith*, Crow*, Fleetwood 1	Dance*, Kiscock*, Watkins, O'Connor, K. Pilkington
Tue 13	19:45	A	AFC Telford United	2-0	2,640	502	3	Tyler, Asaifu-Adjaye, Antwi, Beckwith, Howells, Lawless, Keane, Willmott**, Morgan-Smith 2, Crow*, Fleetwood**	Dance*, Kiscock*, Watkins, O'Connor, K. Pilkington
Sat 17	15:00	H	Lincoln City	1-0	6,316	206	2	Tyler, Dance, Beckwith, Antwi, Howells, Morgan-Smith**, Lawless, Hand, Willmott**, Howells 1, Crow*	Watkins*, O'Connor**, Kiscock**, Samuel, K. Pilkington
Tue 20	19:45	A	Bath City	1-1	1,158	442	1	Tyler, Dance*, Kovacs, Antwi, Howells, Morgan-Smith 1, Lawless, Hand, Kiscock*, Fleetwood, Crow**	O'Connor*, Samuel**, Willmott**, Watkins, K. Pilkington
Sat 24	15:00	A	York City	0-3	3,570	606	6	Tyler, Keane, Kovacs, Antwi, Howells, Dance, Lawless**, Hand, Kiscock*, Willmott, Fleetwood**	Crow**, Watkins*, O'Connor*, Asaifu-Adjaye, K. Pilkington
Tue 27	19:45	H	Cambridge United	0-1	6,274	522	9	Tyler, Dance, Kovacs, Antwi, Howells, Morgan-Smith, Hand**, Keane, Willmott*, Fleetwood, Crow	O'Connor*, Kiscock*, Watkins**, Asaifu-Adjaye, K. Pilkington
October									
Sat 1	15:00	H	Barrow	5-1	5,613	115	6	Tyler, Osano, Keane, Kovacs, Howells, Hand, Dance 1, Watkins 1**, Willmott 2, O'Connor, Morgan-Smith 1	Crow*, Kiscock**, Antwi, Asaifu-Adjaye, K. Pilkington
Sat 8	15:00	A	Kidderminster Harriers	2-1	3,332	931	5	Tyler, Osano, G. Pilkington, Kovacs, Blackett, Hand, Dance**, Keane, Willmott 2, O'Connor*, Morgan-Smith	Fleetwood*, Crow**, Antwi, Watkins, K. Pilkington
Tue 11	19:45	A	Ebbsfleet United	2-2	1,651	722	5	Tyler, Osano, G. Pilkington, Kovacs, Blackett, Hand, Dance 1, Carden, Willmott, O'Connor*, Morgan-Smith 1**	Fleetwood*, Watkins**, Antwi, Kiscock, K. Pilkington
Sat 15	15:00	H	Gateshead	5-1	6,285	104	3	Tyler, Osano, G. Pilkington, Kovacs, Blackett, Willmott**, Howells 2, Keane, Dance, Morgan-Smith*, Fleetwood	O'Connor 1**, Hand 2**, Watkins, Kiscock**, K. Pilkington
Tue 18	19:45	H	Wrexham	0-1	7,270	239	5	Tyler, Osano, G. Pilkington, Kovacs, Blackett, Willmott, Keane, Dance, Howells, Fleetwood O'Connor**	Wright*, Kiscock*, Hand, Watkins, K. Pilkington
Fri 21	19:45	A	Grimsby Town	1-0	3,239	186	4	Tyler, Osano, G. Pilkington, Kovacs, Howells, Willmott**, Watkins, Hand, Dance*, Fleetwood**, Wright 1	Crow**, O'Connor*, Kiscock*, Beckwith, K. Pilkington
Sat 29	15:00	H	Hendon (FAC 4Q)	5-1	2,329	193	-	K. Pilkington, Osano, Beckwith, Antwi, Howells, Dance 1*, Hand**, O'Connor 2 (pen), Kiscock, Fleetwood 1, Wright 1**	Crow*, Henry**, Tavernier**, Willmott, Samuel, Carden, Tyler
November									
Sat 5	15:00	H	Fleetwood Town	1-2	6,361	83	7	Tyler, Osano, G. Pilkington, Kovacs 1, Howells, Willmott*, Keane, Lawless*, O'Connor**, Fleetwood, Morgan-Smith	Kiscock*, Watkins**, Hand, Wright*, K. Pilkington
Sat 12	15:00	H	Northampton Town (FAC1)	1-0	4,799	913	-	K. Pilkington, Osano, G. Pilkington, Howells, Hand, Lawless, Keane*, Kiscock**, M-Smith*, O'Connor	Tyler, Willmott**, Gleeson, Beckwith, Crow*, Blackett, Watkins**
Sat 19	15:00	A	Cambridge United	1-1	4,796	1,754	7	K. Pilkington, Osano, G. Pilkington, Kovacs, Taylor, Dance*, Lawless, Hand**, Howells, Fleetwood 1, O'Connor	Tyler, Watkins**, Willmott, Kiscock, Brunt*
Sat 26	15:00	A	Newport County	1-0	1,511	273	6	K. Pilkington, Osano, G. Pilkington, Kovacs, Taylor*, Dance, Lawless, Hand, Howells, Fleetwood**, O'Connor*	Tyler, Crow 1**, Willmott**, Brunt*, Keane
Tue 29	19:45	H	AFC Telford United	1-1	5,399	106	6	K. Pilkington, Osano, G. Pilkington, Kovacs, Howells, Willmott, Dance*, Keane, Lawless, Willmott 1, Crow**, Fleetwood**	Watkins**, Brunt*, O'Connor*, Tyler, Taylor
December									
Sat 3	15:00	H	Cheltenham Town (FAC2)	2-4	4,516	478	-	K. Pilkington, Gleeson, G. Pilkington, Kovacs, Howells, Willmott, Keane*, Howells, Lawless, O'Connor 2, Crow	Kiscock*, Beckwith, Fleetwood, Dance, Hand, Wright, Tyler
Tue 6	19:45	A	Lincoln City	1-1	2,049	327	7	K. Pilkington, Gleeson, G. Pilkington*, Kovacs, Howells, Willmott**, Keane, Howells, Lawless, O'Connor**, Crow 1	Hand*, Dance**, Brunt**, Fleetwood, Tyler
Sat 10	15:00	H	Swindon S (FAT1)	2-0	1,298	55	-	Tyler, Gleeson*, Beckwith, Lacey, Taylor, Kiscock**, Watkins, Keane, Osano, Brunt**, Fleetwood 1	Kidd, McAdams**, Smith, Wright*, O'Donnell**, Kidd
Sat 17	15:00	A	Tamworth	3-1	1,467	622	5	K. Pilkington, Gleeson, G. Pilkington, Kovacs, Taylor, Lawless, Hand, Howells, Fleetwood**, Howells, Crow** 2	Tyler, Wright**, Willmott, Fleetwood**, Kiscock*, Willmott
Mon 26	15:00	H	Kettering Town	5-0	7,164	205	5	K. Pilkington, Gleeson, G. Pilkington, Kovacs, Taylor, Lawless 1, Watkins, Keane, Howells 1, O'Connor 1**, Crow**	Tyler, Fleetwood 1**, Kiscock, Willmott 1**, Wright
January									
Sun 1	15:00	A	Kettering Town	5-0	3,247	2,018	3	K. Pilkington, Osano, G. Pilkington, Kovacs 1, Taylor 1, Lawless**, Keane, Watkins 1, Howells 1, Dance**, O'Connor*	Brunt*, Fleetwood 1**, Willmott**, Kiscock, Tyler
Sat 7	15:00	H	Newport County	2-0	6,108	228	3	K. Pilkington, Gleeson*, G. Pilkington**, Kovacs, Taylor, Lawless, Keane, Watkins, Howells, O'Connor 1, Crow 1**	Willmott**, Fleetwood**, Dance*, Kiscock, Tyler
Tues 10	19:45	H	Stockport County	1-0	5,588	78	3	K. Pilkington, Gleeson, Kovacs, G. Pilkington, Taylor, Dance*, Watkins, Lawless, Howells, Fleetwood**, Crow	O'Connor 1**, Willmott*, Kiscock, Lacey, Tyler
Wed 18	19:45	A	Hinckley United (FAT2)	0-0	754	tbc	-	Tyler, Osano, Lacey, Asaifu-Adjaye, O'Donnell, McAdams**, Dance, Kiscock, Willmott, Fleetwood, Ann*	Woolley*, Nash**, Longden, Smith, Kidd
Sat 21	15:00	A	Southport	3-3	1,665	540	3	K. Pilkington, Taylor, Kovacs, G. Pilkington, Taylor, Lawless, Watkins 1, Kiscock*, O'Connor 1, Howells, Crow 1	Morgan-Smith*, Fleetwood, McAllister, Poku, Tyler
Mon 23	19:30	H	Hinckley United (FAT2)	3-0	1,004	81	-	Tyler, Osano, Asaifu-Adjaye, Lacey, O'Donnell, Nash, McAdams**, Willmott, Kiscock, Fleetwood 1**, Morgan-Smith 1**	Smith**, Longden**, Woolley**, Magaursaushe, Kidd
Wed 25	19:30	H	Mansfield Town						
Sat 28	15:00	H	Alfreton Town						
February									
Sat 4	15:00	A	Kidderminster H (FAT3)						
Sat 11	15:00	A	Forest Green Rovers						
Sat 18	15:00	H	Tamworth						
Sat 25	15:00	A	Darlington						
March									
Sat 3	15:00	H	Bath City						
Wed 7	19:30	A	Wrexham						
Sat 10	15:00	H	Ebbsfleet United						
Sat 17	15:00	A	Gateshead						
Sat 24	15:00	H	Grimsby Town						
Fri 30	19:30	H	York City						
April									
Sat 7	15:00	A	Braintree Town						
Mon 9	15:00	H	Hayes & Yeading United						
Sat 14	15:00	A	Alfreton Town						
Sat 21	15:00	H	Kidderminster Harriers						
Sat 28	13:00	A	Fleetwood Town						
tbc	tbc	A	Barrow						



Celebrations after Adam Watkins' goal at Southport

*Scoreline includes own goal

LEAGUE TABLE 2011/12

		P	W	D	L	F	A	GD	PTS
1	Wrexham	28	20	5	3	53	18	35	65
2	Fleetwood Town	28	19	6	3	62	31	31	63
3	LUTON TOWN	29	15	10	4	58	27	31	55
4	York City	29	14	10	5	59	30	29	52
5	Kidderminster Harriers	29	15	7	7	55	40	15	52
6	Gateshead	29	14	9	6	47	40	7	51
7	Cambridge United	29	13	10	6	40	26	14	49
8	Southport	29	14	7	8	46	51	-5	49
9	Grimsby Town	29	14	5	10	58	42	16	47
10	Mansfield Town	28	11	12	5	44	34	10	45
11	Barrow	29	13	5	11	46	44	2	44
12	Forest Green Rovers	29	9	12	8	39	28	11	39
13	Braintree Town	29	11	6	12	49	52	-3	39
14	Ebbsfleet United	29	8	10	11	43	46	-3	34
15	Tamworth	27	9	7	11	35	41	-6	34
16	Darlington	29	10	7	12	28	34	-6	27
17	AFC Telford United	29	6	9	14	29	43	-14	27
18	Lincoln City	29	7	6	16	29	44	-15	27
19	Stockport County	30	4	12	14	31	50	-19	24
20	Newport County	28	5	8	15	32	42	-10	23
21	Alfreton Town	29	5	7	17	35	66	-31	22
22	Kettering Town	29	5	7	17	29	67	-38	22
23	Hayes & Yeading	29	5	6	18	40	63	-23	21
24	Bath City	28	3	9	16	28	56	-28	18

PLAYER STATS 2011/12

	THIS SEASON	CUP	TOTAL	DISCIP	CAREER
	LEAGUE	GLS	GLS	GLS	GLS
	APPS	GLS	APPS	GLS	APPS
Alasan ANN	0 (0)	0	1 (0)	0	0
Will ANTWI	12 (0)	2	1 (0)	0	13
Ed ASAFU-ADJAYE	4 (2)	0	2 (0)	0	0
Matthew BARNES-HOMER	1 (0)	0	0 (0)	1	0
Dean BECKWITH	8 (0)	1	2 (0)	0	10
Shane BLACKETT	4 (0)	0	0 (0)	4	0
Ryan BRUNT	0 (5)	0	1 (0)	1	0
Paul CARDEN	1 (0)	0	0 (0)	1	0
Danny CROW	16 (6)	9	1 (2)	0	60
James DANCE	21 (5)	3	2 (0)	1	23
Stuart FLEETWOOD	14 (7)	5	4 (0)	3	18
Dan GLEESON	6 (1)	0	2 (0)	0	8
Jamie HAND	11 (2)	2	2 (0)	0	13
Charlie HENRY	0 (0)	0	0 (1)	0	0
Jake HOWELLS	26 (0)	5	3 (0)	0	29
Keith KEANE	20 (0)	0	3 (0)	0	23
John-Paul KISSOCK	4 (11)	0	5 (1)	0	9
Janos KOVACS	20 (0)	2	2 (0)	0	22
Alex LACEY	0 (0)	0	3 (0)	0	0
Alex LAWLESS	21 (0)	2	2 (0)	0	23
Brett LONGDEN	0 (0)	0	0 (1)	0	0
Colby MCADAMS	0 (0)	0	0 (1)	0	0
Amari MORGAN-SMITH	14 (2)	2	0 (0)	0	16
Freddie MURRAY	0 (0)	0	0 (0)	0	0
Jerry NASH	0 (0)	0	1 (0)	1	0
Aaron O'DONNELL	15 (11)	5	3 (0)	4	18
JJ O'DONNELL	0 (0)	0	2 (1)	0	0
Curtis OSANO	17 (0)	0	5 (0)	0	22
George PILKINGTON	16 (0)	0	2 (0)	0	18
Kevin PILKINGTON	11 (0)	0	3 (0)	0	14
Godfrey POKU	0 (0)	0	0 (0)	0	0
Collin SAMUEL	0 (1)	0	0 (0)	0	0
Charlie SMITH	0 (0)	0	0 (1)	0	0
Christian TAVERNIER	0 (0)	0	0 (1)	0	0
Greg TAYLOR	8 (0)	1	1 (0)	0	9
Mark TYLER	18 (0)	0	3 (0)	0	21
Dan WALKER	0 (1)	0	0 (0)	0	0
Adam WATKINS	12 (10)	4	2 (1)	1	14
Robbie WILLMOTT	17 (7)	7	3 (1)	0	21
Jake WOOLLEY	0 (0)	0	0 (2)	0	0
Tommy WRIGHT	1 (3)	1	1 (1)	2	4

LAST WORD

WITH THE LUTON NEWS' MIKE SIMMONDS

The Hatters' original FA Trophy trip to Blue Square Bet North side Hinckley represented a first for me.

Never before have I made it all the way to a ground to be greeted with the words from a car-parking assistant, simply stating - "Game is off."

I've covered a few games where floodlight failure has caused the abandonment, and even as a Brighton fan, back in the dark days, when fans got the game called off after just seven minutes with a pitch invasion protest against the club's owners.

As a reporter, I've set off for Lincoln when reporting on Dagenham & Redbridge, only to have to turn back, but thankfully I'd only made it half-an-hour from home.

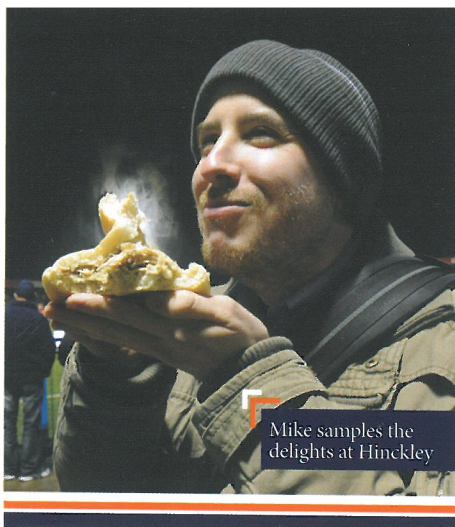
Knowing that the weather was particularly chilly on the day of the Hinckley match, all relevant social media outlets were being checked for the duration of the journey and with just over an hour to kick-off, we presumed the match had beaten the cold snap.

Alas though, as after getting there, taking a few snaps of the pitch and talking to the officials, it was back on the road again in time to catch Final Score. Always an odd feeling when you should be at football.

Needless to say, my frustration was nothing compared to some of the stories that came through on Twitter about Town's games being cancelled in the past.

One tweeter remembered being in Oldham's car park when the game was called off, while quite possibly the worst tale involved Luton's doomed trip to Hartlepool.

A number of supporters recounted making it all the way to Victoria Park, a mere 230 miles from Luton, before the match was frozen off.



Mike samples the delights at Hinckley

It was a story that did the rounds on the way home too as one of my predecessors, Andy McKenzie made the same fruitless trip on that day too.

So it was back up to Hinckley on the Wednesday night, but the Knitters completely redeemed themselves with the cuisine that was on offer for journalists and supporters alike.

Before the match, club photographer Gareth Owen, himself a lover of fine dining at football grounds, spied none other than piping hot pork rolls with stuffing on sale.

Needless to say, three were snapped up by myself and colleagues and heartily enjoyed, in what was a rare treat.

The club also served up tomato soup during the interval and although not consumed myself, was gratefully received by those in attendance.

With this being written before Monday night's replay with Hinckley, then this could turn out to be one of the most tasty FA Trophy runs known to man.

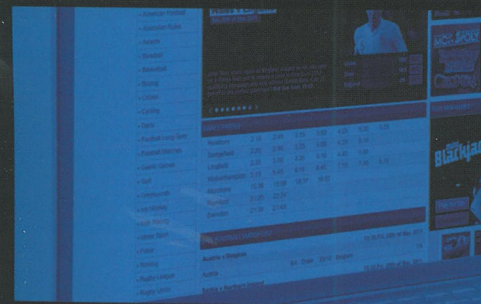
If the Hatters triumphed, then next up is a trip to Kidderminster Harriers, who if you've ever read my musings on this column before, will remember that Aggborough serve up some of the best ever match day grub.

Their homemade cottage pies with gravy are, dare I say it, world renowned and I for one won't be adverse to spending some more of the my hard earned on a warming snack prior to kick-off. Here's hoping!

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TONIGHT'S TEAMS



LUTON TOWN

Mark Tyler	1	✓
Dan Gleeson	2	✓
Greg Taylor	3	✓
Keith Keane	4	■
Dean Beckwith	5	■
George Pilkington	6	✓
Alex Lawless	7	✓
Amari Morgan-Smith	8	✓
Craig McAllister	9	✓
Danny Crow	10	✓
Robbie Willmott	11	■
Shane Blackett	12	■
Stuart Fleetwood	13	✓
Aaron O'Connor	14	✓
Jake Howells	15	✓
Ed Asafu-Adjaye	16	■
Curtis Osano	18	■
James Dance	19	✓
John Paul Kissock	20	■
Charlie Henry	21	■
Godfrey Poku	25	✓
Adam Watkins	28	✓
Kevin Pilkington	30	✓
Janos Kovacs	34	✓



MANSFIELD TOWN

✓ 1	Alan Marriott
■ 3	Joseph Kendrick
✓ 4	Jonathan Worthington
■ 5	John Thompson
✓ 6	Martin Riley
✓ 7	Louis Briscoe
■ 8	Lee Stevenson
✓ 10	Matt Green
✓ 11	Adam Murray
■ 14	Paul Bolland
✓ 15	Ross Dyer
✓ 16	Luke O'Neill
✓ 17	Ritchie Sutton
■ 18	Matthew Bell
✓ 19	Adam Smith
■ 20	Andy Todd
✓ 21	Anthony Howell
■ 22	Rhys Day
✓ 23	Shane Redmond
✓ 24	Lindon Meikle
■ 27	Adam Somes
✓ 28	Ben Hutchinson
✓ 31	John Dempster
✓ 35	Gary Roberts

MATCH OFFICIALS

Referee: M. Bull
 Assistant: D. Richardson
 Assistant: T. Ramsey
 Fourth official: A. Quelch

UP NEXT

v ALFRETON TOWN

Saturday 28th January 2012 3pm
 Blue Square Bet Premier

