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## FROM THE CHAIRMAN

**It looks as though we are certainly on our way to a third successive attendance of over 2,000 here at Aggborough for the start of the new season.**

I've mentioned how fantastic the atmosphere was in and around the ground for the games against Stockport County and Wrexham and, before we started the season, how much I wanted that to carry over. Certainly it appears to have done that so far but it couldn't be any more important to the club that this continues.

It took us a long time to reach a stage where we more or less started with at least 2,000 home supporters in the ground and while we dipped just below that against Chester, I'm confident we'll see a few more here for the Luton game. They are obviously a very well-supported club and I'm sure they will travel in their numbers, too.

The difference of having, for instance, an extra 300 supporters in the ground for all of our home matches compared to last season cannot be understated and, as well as the financial rewards, it's also a massive boost for them to be playing in front of such an atmosphere at Aggborough.

As you may have read, we have a special offer coming up for the Aldershot Town game here (Friday, 27 September) whereby any paying attendee for the match against FC Halifax Town here a few nights earlier will get £5.00 off for the Aldershot Town fixture.

The full details are on page 51 of the programme today and I really hope we'll see some new faces here on the night as our supporters look to take advantage of the offer.

**Mark Serrell**  
Chairman



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# FROM THE DUGOUT

It goes without saying we were disappointed with the penalty decision that saw us lose in injury time at Nuneaton Town on Bank Holiday Monday.

I have never been one to moan and bleat about referees and officials because I've always said that once a decision has been made there is nothing you can do or say to change it. That said, the one I saw at Nuneaton was one of the most frustrating I've encountered. I still find it quite amazing that it was given.

The most disappointing aspect for me was the conversation I had with the match referee after the game. Having said he thought it was a deliberate handball by Kyle Storer, I asked quite calmly and reasonably to confirm that, in his opinion, Kyle had intentionally blocked the ball going towards goal with his hands – that he had done it on purpose – and he said that was correct, despite the fact the ball was smashed at Kyle from, at most, three or four yards. I still find it quite incredible but we now have to move on and put it behind us.

Looking back at the Bank Holiday weekend, the Chester game was a tough one against a side who were battling for their first points of the season. I have to say I thought they came here and made it very difficult for us and put in a good performance, but we rose to that and without really hitting maximum stride we managed to score three good goals and see the game out.

Against Nuneaton we didn't really perform as we would have liked in the second half and lost our way a bit as well as the momentum from the first half

and a good start. At 1-1, although disappointed, I did think a draw wouldn't have represented a bad result given Nuneaton's start so to lose the game in such a manner was difficult to take.

We made a few changes to the side for the game which isn't something I do often with a side that had been winning matches but it is one of the busiest times of the season and with a strong squad at our disposal it is so important to keep things fresh. After the event that might have looked like the wrong thing to do but that's only with hindsight and nobody has the benefit of that at the time.

We're back at Aggborough today and welcome Luton Town as our guests. The lads love playing here in front of the Harriers fans and the atmosphere that the ground can produce – it will be great again today as you know Luton will bring a large number of supporters, too. We have two wins from two so far this season here and we want to keep that going.

John Still is a very experienced manager and has already won promotion from this division with Dagenham & Rebridge and so knows the type of player you need in your squad to achieve that and he has been able to bring in a number of them. It's our biggest and most important game because it's our next one and we're looking forward to it – make no mistake, they will again be up at the right end of the table come the end of the season.

Steve Burr

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## INJURY TIME

**Good afternoon and welcome back to Aggborough for today's game with Luton.**

Following on from last weekend's home game against Chester, you'll remember I noted in the programme that Jamie Tolley suffered an Achilles injury and was forced to sit out the match. Over the last week he has progressed quite nicely but unfortunately we still need to give it more time to settle before we can get him back involved on the training ground.

Also coming from the game against Chester, Michael Gash was the only player to take an impact injury as he took a knock to his shin and also hurt himself after being pushed into the advertising boards at the side of the ground. Thankfully Captain Caveman was available for the Nuneaton game and will be so again this afternoon.

The game against Nuneaton saw us pick up a couple more minor injuries. Chey Dunkley has aggravated a knee injury and Lee Fowler took a kick to his ankle which was pretty sore for the first couple of days of the week but the desire of the two of them to be available for selection means they shouldn't miss any game time.

Anthony Malbon has been absent from training at the start of this week due to sickness but should be available to play today.

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# JUST FANTASTIC

HARRIERS FANS HAVE CERTAINLY RUN THROUGH GAMUT OF EMOTIONS OVER THE LAST FEW YEARS AND DEFENDER LEE VAUGHAN HAS COMMENDED THEM FOR ALWAYS "BEING THERE".

It's certainly not been a dull period in the club's history. A brush with administration and near-financial melt-down, two heart-wrenching close-calls with the play-offs; not to mention the rollercoaster of an adventure that culminated in last season's second place finish.

And the popular full-back knows that while the most recent passage of time has been good fun for the Kiddy faithful, there have been a number of dark days, too.

Speaking exclusively to The Harrier ahead of today's Skril Premier meeting with Luton Town at Aggborough, Vaughan says the club's supporters have proven themselves to be exceptional and a true "twelfth man" when it comes to doing their bit and getting behind Steve Burr's charges.

Increased attendances at this very early stage of the season can only be a good thing, too – the reds set for their third successive 2,000+ gate at the beginning of this term as the community still rides the wave of momentum created by two sell-out crowds back in April.

"It does make a difference and having more people at the ground is only ever going to help us," says Vaughan.

"But the core of the fans are always here and always have been – you hear them, they get behind the lads and they're good people; decent, honest fans.

"Football fans can be fickle, they moan when you're not doing well and they sometimes moan when you are doing well as well!

"But, on the whole, the Kiddy fans get behind us and have been there for us – they say it's like a twelfth man and that's true."

Harriers have made no secret of their desire to go one better and top the pile this season and achieve promotion back to the Football League.

The former AFC Telford man is adamant there is a fine line between confidence and arrogance and explains it's perfectly natural to aim for the sky when you begin a season – after all, why start a competition if your aim isn't to win it?

The trick is to produce the goods and Vaughan admits: "Everything is ready to push on until the next level and now the emphasis is on us, on the pitch to the deliver.

"Everything is here and we're set up to be a Football League club and I don't want to tempt fate by talking about it but it's down to us now.

"It's not being cocky and nobody can deny that this is exactly what our goal is and that's what we're here for – we just have to make sure we back up what we say and do our jobs on the pitch.

"It's important to go out there and get the results, ugly or otherwise."

Harriers have the chance to make it three wins from three at the start of the new term with the visit of John Still's Hatters this afternoon.

3-1 successes over Gateshead and Chester have helped contribute to a reasonable start to 2013/14 but it goes without saying the tough tests will only keep coming.

Town have solidified even more in recent weeks thanks to goalless draws against Forest Green and Cambridge United and come to Aggborough with plenty to be confident.

Keen to bounce back from a defeat of their own at the hands of Nuneaton

Town on Bank Holiday Monday, though, Vaughan says Harriers approach the game with an equally bright mindset.

"It'll be a good atmosphere at Aggborough and it's definitely one of the games you look for and one you want to be involved in," he went on to say.

"Luton will bring a lot of people here and without a doubt they will be up there again at the end of the season."



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Gordon was the second eldest of four Bulmer boys, educated at King Charles Grammar School.

Gordon had several interests, not least of which was supporting Kidderminster Harriers, which he had done since 1932. He had a wealth of knowledge and endless stories about the club and the players that he had known over the years. In 2012 he celebrated his 90th birthday in the Aggborough suite.

His lifelong interest in football grew from when he was a boy, he was a keen and talented footballer who having been spotted was offered the opportunity to become an apprentice and play professionally for Wolverhampton Wanderers at which point his father told him that he could forget about that and must look for a proper job but clearly his interest in football never waned.

Gordon was a season ticket holder and had renewed his season ticket for the current 2013/14 season. Gordon passed away on the 18th July 2013, at the age of 91, and to the many that knew him Gordon was a gentleman who was always there for his wife, children, grandchildren and great grandchildren and will always be remembered as a proud family man who was loved by all that were close to him.

## AGGBOROUGH SUITE MATCHDAY ENTRY

We ask all supporters to note that admittance to the hospitality area on match days, both pre-match and at half-time is restricted to hospitality guests, executive season tickets holders and club guests only.

After the match, admittance is generally open to all supporters subject to numbers wishing to gain access. For

## FRIENDS OF THE HARRIERS (2011)

Friends of the Harriers (2011) present a Cabaret Night with Motown & 70/80's tribute act "Baby Love", to be held in The Aggborough Suite on Friday 6th September.



Initial bookings now being taken with tickets available @ £12.50 which includes Chicken & Chip supper and can be obtained from committee members Norman White (01562 743552 or [normanjwhite@sky.com](mailto:normanjwhite@sky.com)), Mark Searl (07827 930940 or [marksearl@harriers.co.uk](mailto:marksearl@harriers.co.uk)) or from the club office.

## DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Fri 25th Oct - Boxing Night  
Fri 29th Nov - Murder Mystery Night

For any further details please contact Mark Searl on 07827 930 940.

certain games access after match will be limited to those above along with players and families and will be ticket only due to the suite capacity - today's match against Luton Town is one such match.

## YOUR ALL TIME XI

We're still searching for your Harriers all-time XI sides; it's your chance to select your best Aggborough outfit, pound for pound, from the years you've been watching the action here. A few have already done so, now make sure you're next! See page 22 for more details and get e-mailing to [matt.wall@harriers.co.uk](mailto:matt.wall@harriers.co.uk)



## WEDDING FAYRE

Book this date in your diary! Sunday, 15 September 2013 will see the Aggborough Suite host a Wedding Fayre between 11am - 3pm featuring a range of stalls and attractions; not least Harriers' models Dior Angus and Jamie Tolley! For any more details contact Helen on 01562 823 931.

## LIVE MUSIC IN THE HARRIERS ARMS

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## AWAY TRAVEL TRANSPORT

You can now book up for our upcoming away games to Welling United and Tamworth by popping into the Ticket Office at Aggborough - all of your ticket and travel information can be found on page 31.

## ATKINS BED AND FURNITURE

We'd like to thank the team at Atkins Beds and Furniture for their continued support of the Club. The company, formerly Dreamz Beds and furniture, are currently undergoing a company re-branding process and we look forward to continuing to see them in and around Aggborough.

## TODAY'S MASCOT

We're pleased to welcome eight year-old Max Hackett as our match day mascot for the game against Luton Town. Max says his favourite Harriers player is defender Josh Gowling while, in the Premier League, Max picks his star man as Manchester United's Robin Van Persie. Enjoy your day, Max!



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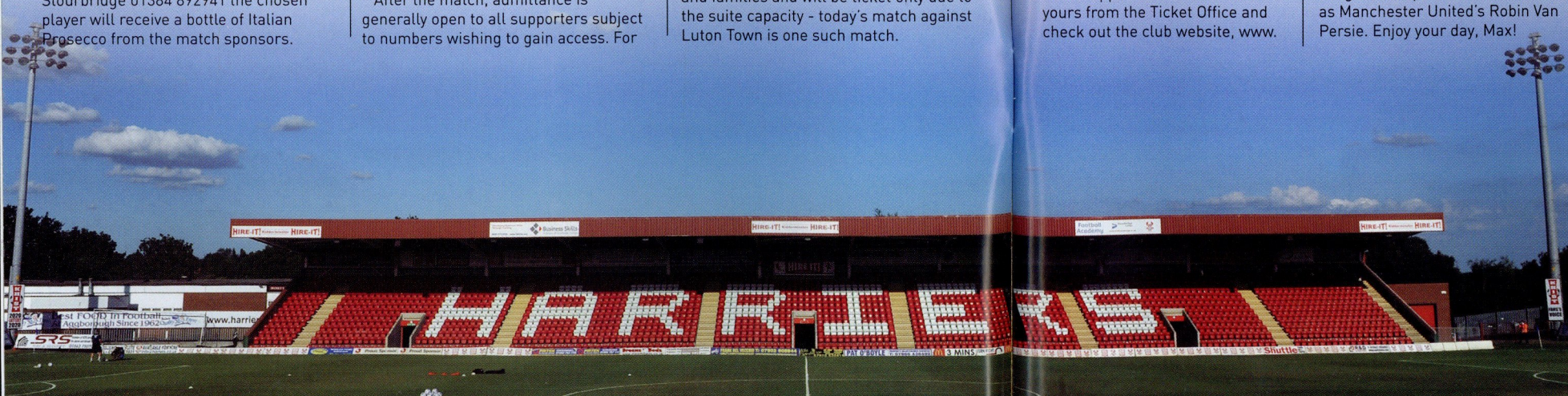
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# RADIO WAVES

I haven't yet had a chance to take a look at the penalty decision that led to Nuneaton Town's winner in the final minutes of the game at Liberty Way, but listening to Steve Miller's commentary, it was pretty obvious that it was 'contentious' to say the least.

In fact, I think 'contentious' as understating things a bit as Steve said he had never seen quite as bad a decision as the one the referee gave against Kyle Storer.

Even then, Nuneaton needed a stroke of luck to score as Danny Lewis' save cannoned into the net off Mickey Demetriou – at that point, everyone in the ground of a Harriers persuasion must have thought this was simply not going to be their day. I have seldom ever heard Steve Burr lost for words in a post-match interview, but even he was struggling to comprehend those final few minutes at Nuneaton.

It was a shame the game ended this way – listening to the commentary, it sounded as though a point would have been about right as Nuneaton kept up the momentum in the second half and so could have argued they would have been good value for the draw. Coming off the back of the win here against Chester FC that would surely have represented a satisfying weekend's work.

I have to admit I am surprised Chester have struggled the way they have done so far this season – given they breezed through the Conference North last season, many people were expecting great things from them this time around. But the defeat at Aggborough was followed by another home reversal on Monday so they are still looking for their first point of the season.

Gateshead were beaten here on the opening day and are still looking for their first point of the campaign but I still think they could be in the running for the 'Kidderminster Harriers Lazarus Award' for this season. In other words, after a decidedly dodgy start, the Heed could yet come good, but much will depend on how quickly any new management team beds in.

A couple of weeks back I was at Aggborough for an interview with Steve Burr when the subject of Ryan Rowe came up and the fact the striker was about to head out on loan to Stourbridge in the hope he might regain a bit of confidence. Well, let's say the early signs are highly encouraging, not least when The Glassboys made the short trip to Redditch United on Bank Holiday

Monday. Ryan Rowe scored four times as Stourbridge thumped their hosts six-one at Valley Stadium. The Amblecote side is up to third in the table and is within a point of the leading clubs, so here's hoping Ryan continues that kind of form between now and January.

On to today's game and, if much is expected from Harriers this season, then much is expected from Luton Town every season. Ever since the Hatters dropped out of the Football League, they have been widely tipped for the title in every campaign since, but are so far yet to deliver the top prize. A number of managers have fallen on their sword after what has been perceived as failure and the task of returning Luton to the Football League has now fallen to John Still. With his vast experience and solid record at this level, this looks to be a very sensible appointment by the Kenilworth Road club.

The fact John Still arrived at Luton in February will also be a bonus as he had the chance last season to look at those players at the club last season and so would have had a far better idea who to keep and who should move on. Also he has been there and done it before with Dagenham and Redbridge so knows what is needed to be successful at this level. Under John Still, The Daggers won the Conference title with five games to spare in April 2007 and Luton will have more financial 'clout' than there every would have been in that corner of Essex. If Harriers are not to win the league this season, then you can't help think that Luton Town would be the next best bet.

But, as players, these are surely the games you want to play in – both clubs will fancy their chances this season and there should be a good crowd here to see it. Let's hope we get the game the fixture deserves.

Enjoy the match and afterwards let us at BBC Hereford and Worcester know what you made of it by sending us a text to 81333, starting your text with the letters hw. It would be good to get your views on just how things have gone.

**Trevor Owens**  
Sports Editor,  
BBC Hereford & Worcester

# TROLL HUNTERS

An interesting story came through on my radio as I was driving in to work last week, concerning the focus of police with regards social media and abuse of players and opposition fans through the various online platforms.

This is another ugly aspect of our beautiful game that is being addressed, following on from successes in outlawing a number of other types of abuse that have blighted football.

Statistics have recently been released looking into the number of football related arrests and banning orders, both of which have decreased in recent years. This is great news for football, and shows that efforts made by the FA, police and clubs have been having a positive effect on reducing those ugly scenes that hounded football for far too many years. It will always happen as, unfortunately, football seems to be used as an excuse for people who have nothing better to do than go out and create hostility.

It is also refreshing to see that the authorities are not sitting on their laurels and patting themselves on the back for a job well done. They are continuously trying to iron out the less-tasteful behaviours that have long plagued football grounds. The highly-publicised campaign to stamp out racism in football is one that springs to mind, although the campaign has not been aided by the much-talked-about incidents surrounding influential Premier League players. The number of arrests for racially aggravated incidents and chanting remains low, although the fact that there are still arrests shows there is still work to be done.

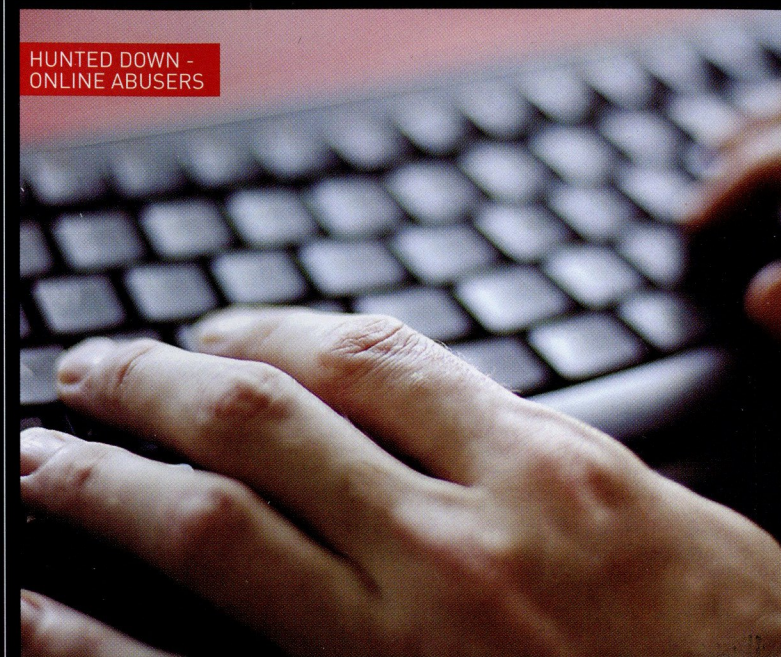
Another campaign that has been launched recently looks to stamp out homophobic abuse at football grounds. A frightening statistic showed that Brighton fans were on the receiving end of homophobic related chanting at a staggering 70% of their matches. Liverpool stewards were recently issued with a handbook outlining language that the club deemed unacceptable. Phrases such as 'that's gay' and 'fairy' are to be punished if heard by stewards. These guidelines were met with some trepidation, as phrases such as 'man up' are also on the list, with some fans feeling that these are too restrictive and too politically correct. It may be that more guidelines such as these appear at more clubs around the country as the FA continue to strive to eradicate all forms of discrimination.

The stamping out of such inexcusable behaviours in the stands seems to lead to

some people feeling the need to continue their abuse from behind the relative anonymity of a computer screen. Recent news has shown how horrific the effect of online abuse can be, and anyone who 'likes' or 'follows' footballers, or even read some fans forums, will see the abuse that some individuals feel the need to direct at footballers and opposition fans using these platforms.

players, to then receive torrents of personal, hurtful abuse from a section of the opposition's fans. This is a form of abuse and bullying whichever way you look at it. Young fans are growing up watching the game with a far superior understanding of technology than many of us, and stamping out this abuse will surely be beneficial in ensuring it does not continue within the generations of our younger fans.

## HUNTED DOWN - ONLINE ABUSERS



Unfortunately, it even happens with some of our own players. Whoever feels the need to abuse anyone online, let alone their own team's players? Some comments are particularly offensive, and there have been high profile examples, such as the jailing of an individual for the sending of racist tweets towards Fabrice Muamba.

This type of abuse would not be tolerated being hurled from the stands and, rightly so, shouldn't be allowed in a social network environment. There have been stories in recent weeks of football fans posting civil observations on performances of opposition

It does seem particularly positive that the footballing authorities are keeping up with the times and not just tackling the offensive behaviour of those inside football grounds, but also those who hide behind computer screens. These groups are always in the minority, but as the old saying goes, it is always the minority that will ruin the reputation of the majority. Hopefully there will be a day where discrimination of all types is eradicated and players and fans using social networks are able to do so without the worry of being targeted by trolls.  
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Lost for words:  
Steve Burr







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SKRILL PREMIER ROUND-UP

# GOALS GALORE!



A busy bank holiday weekend of Skrill Premier football didn't disappoint with a total of 57 goals scored across the 24 fixtures.

Some teams fared better than others, however, as Barnet replaced Cambridge at the top of the table thanks to a 3-0 win over nine-man Braintree Town at Cressing Road on Monday. The Iron were up against it after Dean Wells was dismissed for hacking down Mark Byrne with just two minutes on the clock, while Alan Massey was sent off on the half hour for fouling Harry Crawford in the box.

Nathan McDonald saved the resulting penalty from Massey's tackle, but second half goals from Keanu Marsh-Brown, Byrne and Jake Hyde secured the points for Edgar David's side. Cambridge, meanwhile, relinquished top spot after being held by Luton to a goalless draw at Kenilworth Road.

Nuneaton, Grimsby and Lincoln all continued their fine starts to the new season with victories, plus Alfreton picked up their third home win of the campaign over previously unbeaten Hereford at the Impact Arena.

Striker John Akinde headed his fourth goal for the Reds in the 2-1 win, putting him joint second in the scorers chart with Halifax's Lee Gregory and Nuneaton's Louis Moulst. Only Hyde from Barnet currently has more, with five.

Chester are still looking for their first point after losing 2-1 against Forest Green, with goals from Danny Wright and Matthew Barnes-Homer doing the damage for the away side.

Gateshead, on the other hand, did get off the mark points-wise as Liam Hatch's goal with 20 minutes to go earned them a draw against Macclesfield. The Heed went into the game on a run of four straight defeats but showed character to stage a comeback after going two-nil down before the interval.

At the foot of the table, Aldershot moved to minus-three points as goals from Matt Paterson and Brett Williams saw them overcome Woking. The Shots have made a decent start to the campaign as they chip away at their -10 points penalty. If they had started on level playing field, Andy Scott's men would currently occupy 13th position. Elsewhere, Dartford beat Tamworth while Halifax saw off Southport courtesy of a strike from Kevin Holsgrove.

Welling and Salisbury shared a goalless draw at Park View Road, although the latter will be the happier of the two teams after playing for 45 minutes with 10 men following the dismissal of Theo Lewis. Joe Healy had a great chance to win it for the Wings deep into stoppage time but he fluffed his lines from the penalty spot.

Off the field, Hereford have signed Michael West on a one-month loan deal from Sky Bet League One side Crewe Alexandra. The midfielder is hoping for some regular game time after only making two substitute appearances for the Railwaymen so far this season.

Luton have also been busy, bringing in Paul Benson on loan from Swindon until the end of the season. The veteran striker, who had spells at Portsmouth and Cheltenham last year, will be looking to make an immediate impact at Kenilworth Road.

In managerial news, Gateshead have apparently received a host of applications and enquiries for the vacant manager's job following Anthony Smith's departure last week. Gary Mills, John Coleman and Terry Brown, who have all taken clubs into the Football League from the Conference in the past, are rumoured to be in the running, along with a number of high profile ex-players. David Rush, who has taken over temporarily, is yet to declare whether or not he is interested in the job on a permanent basis.

Despite the speculation, chairman Graham Wood remains tight-lipped on who the next man in the hot seat will be. Reports suggest we won't have to wait too long to find out, and, with just a single point to their name so far, Gateshead fans will be hoping it is sooner rather than later.

This weekend sees the top four go head-to-head, with Cambridge taking on Lincoln and Barnet facing Nuneaton. Meanwhile, Hereford and Tamworth, the other two undefeated teams, will do battle at Edgar Street. Surely something has to give?

Dan Machin

## MEMORABLE TORMENTORS...

Whether it was a constant threat year after year or just the occasional flashes of brilliance, Harriers have gone up against some unmistakeable talent over the years – here we profile just a few.

### MARCUS GAYLE

**Nine minutes and thirty seconds – it's not a huge amount of time. But seven years ago it was enough to turn Harriers dreams into nightmares in beautiful Hampshire.**

Saturday, 14 October 2006 and Harriers, managed by Mark Yates, were down at the Recreation Ground, home of Aldershot Town.

It wasn't a particularly good start to the afternoon, either, when with eight minutes on the clock John Grant somehow worked his way past the challenges of some four different Harriers players inside the area before beating goalkeeper Scott Bevan at his near post.

It was a day of questionable defending from the visitors from Worcestershire so the hopes inside the first half, after Grant's opener, would not likely have been too high but the tide turned swiftly and, against the run of play, Yates' charges were in front before the interval.

The enigmatic lyseden Christie did the honours with two goals in two minutes – a tormenting feat of his own! The first saw him latch on to a cross from loan man Craig Nelthorpe to nod the ball home and, a few moments further on, he cut inside and curled a beauty of an effort into the top corner to give his team an unlikely lead.

A curious team talk in the dressing room, then – but you'd bet the one name furthest from the lips of the management would be one Marcus Gayle. The veteran front-man had made over 250 appearances for the old Wimbledon in the top flight, scoring against the likes of Manchester United, was enjoying something of a final fling in the game

with the Shots with his age approaching 36.

But if his career was on the wane, it certainly wasn't evident with 62 minutes on the clock when Gayle stepped off the bench and on to the pitch. In around six minutes he'd scored, levelling the scores at 2-2 as he nodded home unmarked from close range.

Then the Shots were back in front in mere moments, Gayle's second came as he swept the ball beyond a helpless and deserted Bevan having been given far too much time and space inside the area.

Worse was still to come – in a time totalling less than ten minutes, Gayle had wrapped up his hat-trick and turned a 2-1 deficit into an emphatic 4-2 winning score line with the final goal of the game; what was arguably Bevan's only real mistake of the game coming as he came to clear a cross and got absolutely nothing, Gayle on hand to head the ball back over the top of him and into the back of an empty net.

It was a remarkable turnaround in remarkable time and astonishingly, despite a career at the top of the game for so many years domestically and Internationally with Jamaica, this was Gayle's one and only hat-trick. Of the achievement he would later reflect: "I still cannot believe it happened."

"I was fortunate enough to make the Jamaica squad in 98. I played in the final group game against Japan, which we won."

"That was one of the highlights of my career – along with [that] freakish hat-trick."

The striker would incidentally go out on a high – the three goals notched against Harriers were the last he would score in a storied professional career.

Gayle, now 42, currently manages in the Skrill South with Staines Town.

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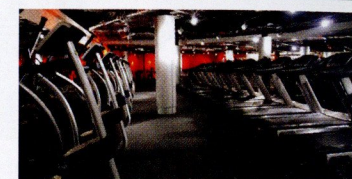
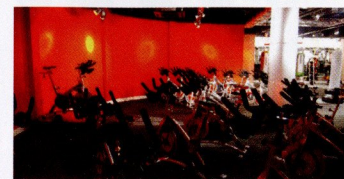
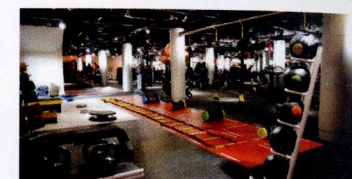
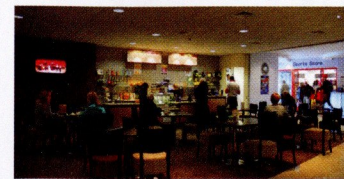
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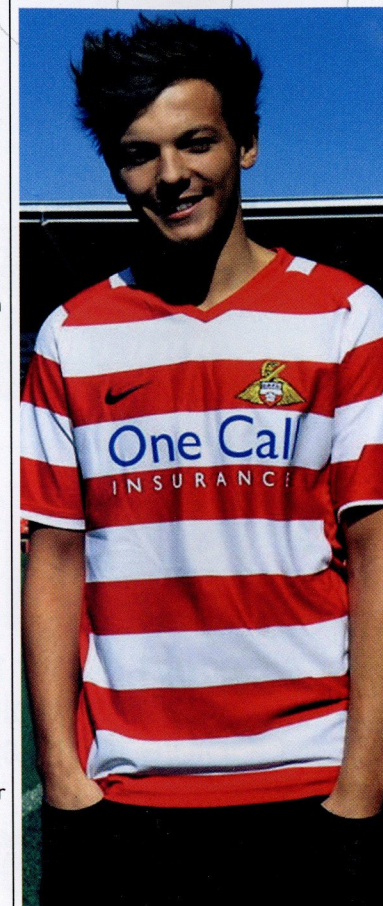


**Let's be honest, we'd all like the lifestyle of a footballer, wouldn't we? Especially one that plays at the very highest level.**

Just look at Mario Balotelli, plying his trade at AC Milan, living it up, and in the process of having a crystal encrusted water feature built in his backyard at home. We'd all love one of those wouldn't we? No - me neither!

Do you remember that madcap idea a few months ago when Macclesfield Town were trying to raise funds to remain a full-time outfit. They initially offered a supporter a chance to pay £20,000 to become a pro-footballer for the week and play at least ten minutes in ONE game. Now if it were the other way around, and Macclesfield were offering me £20K to turn out in their colours for 10 minutes, I may well consider it - it depends if I was busy that day, I'd have to check my diary! Remarkably, after a lot of hoo-ha and the obvious health and safety aspects relating to the idea, it did actually happen! Sadly though, the guy who forked out a mere £10,000 for 20 minutes on the pitch in a friendly only lasted minutes in a pre-season game against Stoke City after getting injured. That's £1,000 a minute he paid to play for Silkmen - the sillyman!

It makes you wonder if the signing of One Direction's Louis Tomlinson (pictured) was more of a publicity stunt at Doncaster Rovers than an astute business decision. Let's give him the benefit of the doubt; he could be a cracking footballer? He can't sing, he can't dance, perhaps he can spin on a sixpence and find the top corner with ease - I guess we'll see when he turns out for the first team....if he ever does?? Donny have pulled a similar to stunt to Macclesfield in the past when their Chairman fancies a chance to play for his beloved club. John Ryan became the



oldest footballer to appear for a British club at the age of 52 when he fulfilled his dream and came on as sub for Donny against Hereford United in the 89th minute. Donny were 2-1 down at the time and Ryan smashed a hat trick in 60 seconds to make it 4-2 to Donny.

That's not entirely true - other than the score line being 4-2 to Donny at the final whistle. He was berated by the fans, ridiculed by the press, scoffed at,

laughed at, and fell over a few times but having said, it was probably one of the highlights of his life!

As for the kid from 1D - that's 'One Direction' for any of you that aren't down with the kids these days- he's not the first and nor will he be the last celeb to dabble in the glorious world of being a football player.

Over the years there have been the following Ian Botham - England cricketer turning out for Scunthorpe United. Boxer Curtis Woodhouse playing for a number of clubs including Sheffield United, Birmingham City, Hull City and others before returning to Boxing. Foul-mouthed chef Gordon Ramsay alleged that he played for three years at Glasgow Rangers although it is claimed that this was simply to drum up publicity for his restaurants. The likelihood is, he played for the reserves, cleaned the first team players' boots and then realised he enjoyed cooking a little more. Former Doctor Who Matt Smith was also a signed pro footballer and turned out in some capacity for Leicester City, Northampton Town and Nottingham Forest before a knee injury scuppered his chance a career in the beautiful game. Then there's the unforgettable Vinnie Jones who went the opposite way and had a successful career in football - albeit controversial - and then went into acting. Vinnie's role as 'Big Chris' in Guy Richie's 'Lock, stock and two smoking barrels' back in 1998 launched his acting career and he then went on to work in Hollywood Blockbusters 'Swordfish', 'Gone In Sixty Seconds', and 'X-Men - The Last Stand'.

We'd all love a player like Vinnie Jones in our side. The 'No nonsense' - 'get stuck-in' tenacious player who fights for every ball and shows the same hunger to win as us fans.

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Ade Roberts



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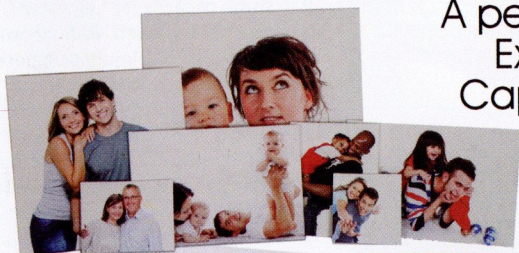
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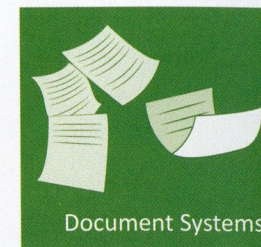


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# My all-time Harriers XI...

by Emma Norwood



**GK:** Paul Jones - Great shot stopper!

**D:** Lee Vaughan - Feisty and entertaining. (and my daughter would kill me if I didn't put him in)

**D:** Paul Bancroft - Best left-footed crosser...

**D:** Martin Weir - Quiet and consistent. LEGEND!

**D:** Chris Brindley - Perfect partnership with Weir. Strong.

**M:** Kyle Storer - Feisty and you cannot question the passion of the man!

**M:** Mike Marsh - One of the most talented footballers I have seen in a Kiddy shirt.

**M:** Paul Webb - Solid. Quality. Legend.

**F:** Kim Casey...

**F:** Mickey Tuohy...

**F:** 'Ocker' Davies...

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**GK:** Danny Lewis - Absolute quality.

**D:** Josh Gowling - Coolest man in the world. Absolute, pure quality.

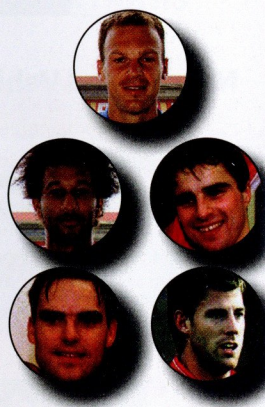
**M:** Neil Cartwright...

**M:** Jon Purdie...

Another pair that were quality together, couldn't split them up. Legends.

**F:** Drewe Broughton - Tall. Strong. Sharp elbows.

And thought he might be a controversial addition...but I liked him....



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## PROGRAMME MONTHLY

The varying fortunes of international teams, and international players, are reflected in the big match programmes produced for their fixtures, and the half dozen or so games played by each of the Home Counties each season form an easily collectable set. Every current season programmes of this type is immediately available on eBay, and programme dealers also obtain quantities for sale. Ironically, despite the importance and prominence of the fixtures, copies of previous season big match issues may be picked up from dealers, or on eBay, at a reasonable discount, or as part of bargain bundles. This is because the high match-day cover price (reflecting the sizeable nature of the productions) does not equate with the limited demand for these programmes a couple of years later. Older International match programmes are priced much less than, say, Cup Finals, and early 60's programmes can be obtained for between £1 and £2, late 50's £3, and early 1950's from between £3 and £7. Pre-war and immediate post-war programmes are more expensive, and harder to collect items may only surface via offers lists and auctions, but for many of these programmes, prices can often be less than League match issues of a similar vintage.

Of particular interest from the England team's point of view are programmes for home games played at stadia other than Wembley. Examples include 1966 v Poland at Liverpool, 1962 v France at Hillsborough, and 1961 v Luxembourg at Highbury; indeed all but the Scotland pre-war internationals were staged at London club or provincial grounds.

Programmes for all the Home Countries' matches abroad vary in scarcity. Some are extremely difficult to obtain and very obscure, particularly

those for South American or Iron Curtain countries before 1970. Others, particularly in the last 30 years when dealers imported in quantity, are rather more plentiful and are priced accordingly. Inter-League programmes (up to the early 1970's) are an interesting feature for those with a sense of football history, covering a four-way tournament each season between the Scottish League, English League, Irish League and League of Ireland (Eire), while Under 21 and their Under 23 predecessors and Youth international programmes are interesting items to collect and reflect upon in later years, particularly in view of the subsequent careers of the players involved.

Euro 96 illustrated, and subsequent European Championship and World Cup Finals have underlined, the enormous interest that the English international team can generate amongst football fans, no matter their preferences at club level. That is reflected in the popularity of international match programmes. The keenest of collectors accumulate issues from a number of countries (e.g. all four home countries matches, plus perhaps those of the Republic of Ireland) although the majority restrict their interest to the

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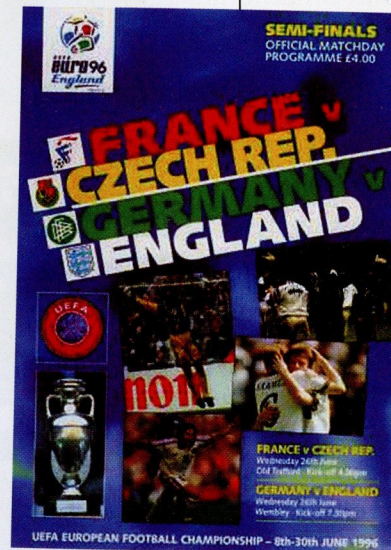
Programme sales at international matches have at times in the

past exceeded attendances, illustrating that many programmes were "brought back from the match" by friends and relatives. The price, weight and bulk of modern issues has greatly reduced the quantities sold at the match. Not all collectors can rely on this personalised service, however, and the majority fall back on programme dealers and eBay. These traders are diligent in obtaining supplies of home and away international matches,

either dealing directly with the football authorities, or relying on travelling fans returning with pre-ordered supplies. The cost of carriage is significant, however, leading to the cost to the collector being upwards of £5, irrespective of the cover price in the local currency. Mind you, that does compare well with the current cost of Wembley international programmes, albeit that home matches see a superb colourful, glossy programme produced.

In the next two editions of the programme, we will take a closer look at some of the rarer, and more expensive, England international programmes.

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He was then signed by Mansfield Town ahead of last term but, like a number of established and experienced players, only featured fleetingly for the Stags in their title winning season. A free agent, he opted to link up with Harriers on a one-year deal and is ready to get back to doing what he does best at Aggborough.





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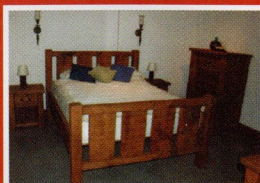
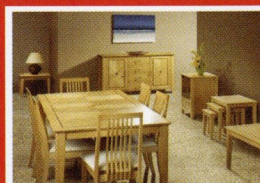
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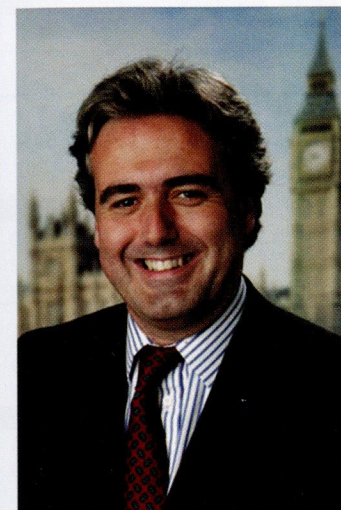
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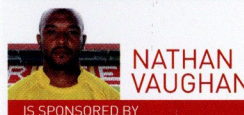
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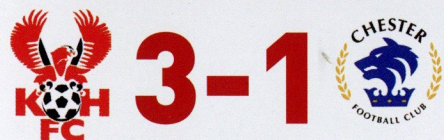
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Saturday, 24 August 2013  
Attendance: 2,283

**Harriers goalscorers:**  
Gowling 32, Johnson 45, Lolley 90+3  
**City goalscorer:**  
Harrison 45+1



Harriers kept up their encouraging start to the season with a professional and hard-fought 3-1 home win over Chester at Aggborough.

The game was slow to get going in terms of chances but from the off there was plenty of energy from both sides and Harriers had the best of the early pressure with Chey Dunkley producing the hosts' first chance with a header over.

Experienced striker Gareth Seddon saw a shot blocked for Chester and with 26 minutes on the clock Alex Titchiner produced a fine save from Danny Lewis, shooting at the near post and forcing the Harriers custodian to act quickly with his left boot.

Just after the half-hour mark Harriers were ahead as a Kyle Storer corner was hammered home by the unmistakable noggin of Josh Gowling from six yards out; and the lead would be doubled in the dying moments of the half as Callum Gittings bravely stole in to pick up the ball and drop it into the path of winger Marvin Johnson who kept his cool in front of goal to roll it into the bottom corner.

After three and a half games,

however, Chester would net their first goal of the season in added time of the first half as a hopeful, lofted cross was nodded in by Danny Harrison, beating Lewis and clipping the upright before settling beyond the line.

Harriers opened the second period with sights of goal from Johnson and Malbon and come the hour mark both industrious players were withdrawn as Harriers made a double change, James Dance and Joe Lolley heading on.

Young striker Lolley has never been shy about trying his luck in front of goal and as the game edged into its last 20 minutes he did that with an effort that was deflected away, ten minutes later fizzing one over the bar after cutting inside.

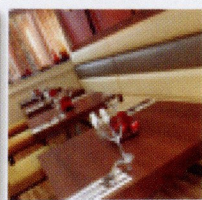
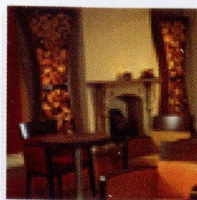
Chester finished the stronger of the two teams as they had their first real spell of pressure in the game in search of an equaliser but Harriers stood firm and indeed added extra gloss to the score line in injury time - livewire Lolley latching on to an up-field ball to drill the ball past Danby into the bottom corner of the net.



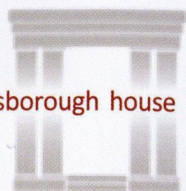
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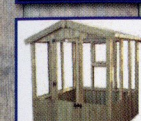
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## EXILED IN ESSEX

Every week, I buy The Essex Chronicle. Its back pages follow the exploits of many non-league teams in Essex but the two sides that it mainly focusses on are Chelmsford City and Braintree Town. At the start of every new season, there is boundless optimism about Chelmsford City gaining promotion to the Conference and every season that optimism proves ill-founded.

Braintree Town are not loved by the Chelmsfordians. They are upstarts, playing in the league that Chelmsford City should be in. Braintree like it that way. They thrive on being underdogs.

Last week's back pages carried the match report of Harriers' recent visit to Braintree. It was very honest, saying that Harriers were, 'simply a much better footballing side' and 'quicker to the ball, more accurate with their passing and with Lee Fowler controlling the midfield, the Iron were continually on the back foot.'

Very straightforwardly, the match report stated that 'the visitors deserved to win.'

Harriers' performance against Braintree in the first half was sublime, the best I've ever seen Harriers play at Cressing Road and yet they went

in at 0-0. Harriers have never lost to Braintree but The Iron have given them some tough games and Braintree duly got stuck in in the second half.

However, one thing you can rely on with Harriers is their ability to score late goals. Kyle Storer's winner at Braintree was very late, right on full-time. Hitting the net late on is a good habit to have and must breed confidence in the team when they are still searching for an all-important goal as the clock runs down. Storer's header gave the 'keeper no chance.

The second half saw a Harriers' debut for Joe Lolley. He looked quite lively. Let's hope that he can add to Harriers' firepower, as the season progresses.

It's been good to get my first 'fix' of Harriers early in the season. It may be a while before I get to see The Carpetmen in action again. The FA Cup Fourth Qualifying round, wherever that may be, looks like being my next game, with a trip to Barnet the following week.

I'm working on my first e-book at the moment. It features a certain football team. Hopefully, it will be finished this side of Christmas, so you will all be able to rush out and buy it for your Kindle or tablet-of-choice as a present to yourself. It's set in 2017 and Harriers get to play West Ham in the Cup again,

only this time at The Olympic Stadium. Will they get revenge for 1994 defeat in the Fifth Round? Well, you'll have to read it to find out.

I'll sign off by extending my congratulations to Thomas Paine on becoming this season's '12th Man'. As last season's '12th Man', I can tell Thomas that it's one of the best things that can ever happen to you and it's just brilliant that KHIST run the competition. There really is nothing like turning up at a ground, buying the programme and seeing your name on the teamsheet.

There was a bit of me that missed not being named in the programme when I went to the Braintree game. Steve Burr never threatened to call on me at any stage last season. I don't think he'll need Thomas this season, either, but I'm sure Thomas will be ready-and-willing, should the need arise.

I'd encourage all Harriers' fans to support KHIST. Please sign up, if you haven't already - it only costs a quid. Support Thomas as your new '12th Man' and, above all, support the team. If Harriers can produce more football like they did in the first half at Braintree week in, week out, then this could be one hell of a season.

Martyn Woodward

## IN OPPOSITION

Today at Aggborough we welcome Luton Town, who are embarking on their fifth season out of the Football League, writes Rob Fletcher.

Having been a major force in the division for three seasons in a row, many were surprised when the club failed to make the play-offs last season

Having dropped out of League 2 back in 2009, many had expected the Hatters to make an immediate return. However, despite these hopes, the club has so far failed to make the step back to the Football League and has instead become well acquainted with life in non-league football - under the watchful eye of chairman and BBC Midlands Today presenter, Nick Owen.

Despite this, Luton have been a major contender in the promotion race in each of the past four seasons. After reaching the play-off semi-finals in 2009/10, the Hatters went a step further a year later when they fell to AFC Wimbledon on penalties at Manchester City's Etihad Stadium. The club then suffered the same fate at the hands of York City in 2011/12, with the Minstermen running out 2-1 winners in front of over 39,000 fans at Wembley.

Having been a major force in the division for three seasons in a row, many were surprised when the club failed to make the play-offs last season - instead having to settle for seventh place, 13 points off the play-off pace. However, many had expected Luton to push on this season and reclaim their place amongst the league's big players - but the Hatters have failed to find top gear so far this campaign.

The new season started with a defeat when Luton fell 1-0 to early season high-flyers Southport on the opening day. However, the Hatters put the defeat behind them almost immediately, comfortably seeing off Salisbury 2-0 three days later - thanks to goals from Solomon Taiwo and Luke Guttridge. But three consecutive draws with Macclesfield, Forest Green and Cambridge meant Luton fell off the early season pace, though encouragement will be taken from clean sheets against the latter two.

But as fans of all clubs will know, the table means little this early on in the year as new players are still gelling together, while managers are still getting to grips with new formations and tactics. With this in mind, it is important to remember that what the Hatters do have is a manager at the helm with a portfolio many of his counterparts at this level would cherish.

John Still (pictured) was appointed in February of this year, following the departure of Paul Buckle. With plenty of non-league

accomplishments under his belt, the one that will stand out to Luton fans is the Conference National title he won with Dagenham and Redbridge back in 2006/07. Still has experienced what it is like to win the league and is more than capable of repeating the feat with the club the size of Luton.

He wasted no time in making his mark on the club, bringing in a new backroom team in the summer, in addition to a number of new players. The above-mentioned Guttridge was signed in July to add depth to the midfield department, while winger Shaun Whalley was also added to the books. Incidentally, Whalley had an unhappy debut after missing a penalty during the opening day defeat to Southport.

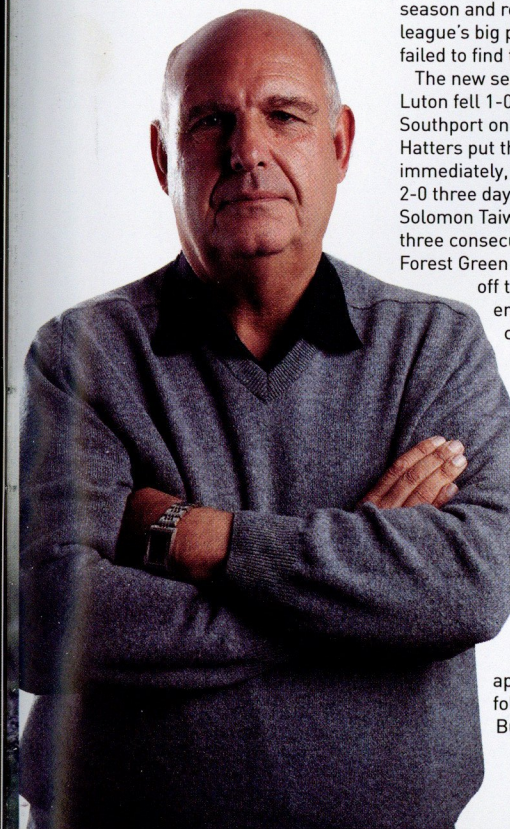
Elsewhere, fellow new signing striker Mark Cullen has something on his CV that all players at this level will envy - scoring in the Premier League, which he did during his time with Hull City.

Defender Anthony Charles has been brought in from League Two Plymouth Argyle while Andrew Parry will also strengthen the defence following his move from Southport. Goalkeeper Elliot Justham joins from East Thurrock, while Histon pair Jim Stevenson and Danny Fitzsimons will boost the midfield and defensive departments respectively.

Glancing over the rest of the squad, Luton have a host of players with plenty of experience. Goalkeeper Mark Tyler has played over 150 times for the Hatters, while midfielder Alex Lawless is approaching the 100-game mark. Lawless also scored the goal that saw off Wolves 1-0 in last season's FA Cup.

Midfielder Jake Howells has been a regular at the club since 2008, while skipper Ronnie Henry was the first player to lift a competitive trophy at the new Wembley when he captained Stevenage in the 2006/07 FA Trophy Final against Harriers. Striker Andre Gray has drawn interest from Football League sides with his goalscoring pedigree, while fellow frontman Jon Shaw is also dangerous in front of goal at this level.

With expectation comes a lot of pressure, and this is something Luton players have had to put up with during their time in the division. The club is arguably the biggest name in the Skril Premier and is still remembered for its glory days from years gone by in the Football League. Although things have not gone exactly to plan so far this campaign, there is still plenty of time for the Hatters to turn things round and become one of the key players in the 2013/14 Skril Premier promotion race.





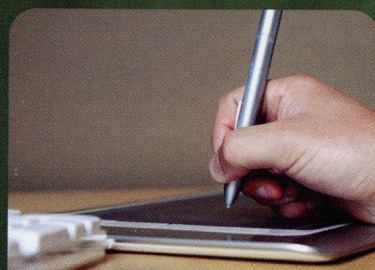


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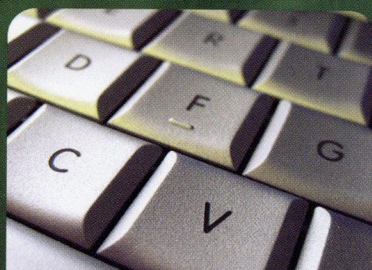
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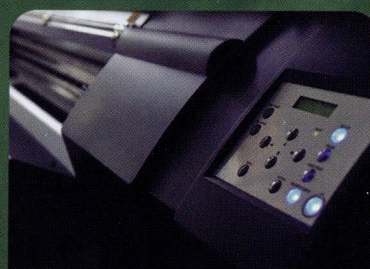
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## IN OPPOSITION

### In Goal

#### MARK TYLER

Hugely experienced goalkeeper who signed a one-year contract extension in May. On the verge of 700 senior appearances, 36-year-old Tyler was one of the Hatters' first signings in their first season in the Conference in 2009, and the stopper has since gone on to make 184 appearances between the sticks, keeping 72 clean sheets.

#### ELLIOTT JUSTHAM

Promising young goalkeeper signed from East Thurrock on a two-year deal in May. The commanding 6ft 3in stopper kept 14 clean sheets in 31 matches for the Rocks last season, and the 22-year-old has previously enjoyed trials at West Ham and Reading.

### In Defence

#### DANNY FITZSIMONS

Former Millwall and QPR defender who followed team-mate Jim Stevenson to Kenilworth Road from Histon on a two-year contract this summer. He swept the board at the Stutes' end-of-season awards and has over 100 games' experience despite only being 21 years old. Capable of playing at left-back or in central defence.

#### STEVE McNULTY

The experienced centre-half signed a new deal with the Hatters this summer after a string of accomplished performances for the club during 2012/13. The Liverpool-born defender led Fleetwood Town to Conference title in 2011/12, lifting the title as the Cod Army captain.

#### ANTHONY CHARLES

Experienced central defender who helped Barnet and Aldershot to the Conference title in 2005 and 2008 respectively. A calm, composed, left-footed defender, Charles left Aldershot for Northampton in January 2012 and went onto appear 18 times in League 2 for the Cobblers. He ended last season with Plymouth.

#### SCOTT GRIFFITHS

Left-back who penned a one-year contract at the end of last season. Another former Dagenham man, the experienced 27-year-old joined the Hatters in March following his release from former club Peterborough. He won the Conference under Still in 2007 and lifted the League 2 title with Chesterfield in 2011.

■ Jake Howells:  
Hatters' longest  
serving player



## OLLIE WILLIAMS PROFILES TODAY'S VISITORS...

#### ANDY PARRY

The central defender signed from Southport on a two-year contract this summer. Also able to play in central midfield, Parry has two seasons' worth of Conference football under his belt but began his career as a youngster at Blackburn.

#### RONNIE HENRY

Club captain and right-back in his second season with the club. The defender joined the Hatters last summer from Stevenage, where he helped win promotion from the Conference to League One.

#### ALEX LACEY

Highly-rated centre-half who has enjoyed a fine pre-season in which he was handed the captain's armband by John Still. Made his Town debut as a 17-year-old in the FA Trophy and spent last season on loan with Eastleigh.

#### BRETT LONGDEN

First year professional Brett is a right-back by trade and made his mark in pre-season with a fine 30-yard goal against Thurrock. He's another player who has tasted first team experience in the FA Trophy.

#### JEROME JIBODU

Like Longden, Jerome signed his first professional contract this summer. A composed left-back, he made his Hatters debut in the FA Trophy against Skelmersdale last season.

### In Midfield

#### JONATHAN SMITH

Central midfielder who joined the Hatters from Swindon last season having helped the Robins lift the League 2 title in 2011/12 under Paolo Di Canio. Also capable of playing at right-back.

#### ALEX LAWLESS

The influential and creative midfielder penned a new two-year contract in May, turning down contracts at two clubs in League 1. The 27-year-old has made 124 appearances for the Hatters since signing from York City in November 2010 and has scored 12 goals.

#### SOLOMAN TAIWO

Central midfielder who agreed a new one-year contract at the end of the season having appeared nine times for the Hatters having been signed

by John Still in March. Starred for a host of non-league clubs before being snapped by Still at Dagenham in 2007 where he became a driving force in the Daggers midfield. His impressive performances led to him signing for then-Championship Cardiff in 2009 for £250,000.

#### JAKE HOWELLS

Still hard to believe he's 22, Howells is the Hatters' longest serving player having made his debut as a 17-year-old on the final day of the 2007/08 season. Since then, the left-footer has been capped by Wales at under-21 level and has made over 200 appearances for the club.

#### JJ O'DONNELL

Left-sided midfielder who joined the Town in 2010 from St Albans and made his debut as a substitute in an FA Cup tie against Corby later that year. After successful loan spells at Thurrock and Hampton & Richmond, he penned a three-year contract last summer.

#### DAVE MARTIN

Left-winger who signed for the Hatters in January this year and went onto score three times in 16 league appearances for the club. He was rewarded for his fine performances with a new two-year deal this summer.

#### LUKE GUTTRIDGE

Influential and experienced central midfielder with over 400 senior appearances to his name who signed for the Hatters in August on a two-year contract. He has twice won promotion whilst with Southend, and also helped Northampton reach the League 2 play-off final last season.

#### SHAUN WHALLEY

Attack-minded midfielder or winger who followed Andy Parry to Kenilworth Road on a two-year deal from Southport. The 25-year-old was in inspired form for the Sandgrounders throughout 2012/13, scoring 10 goals and creating many more, and ended the campaign with a string of end-of-season awards.

#### MATT ROBINSON

Teenage midfielder in his second season at Kenilworth Road having signed last summer from Leicester City. He impressed John Still towards the end

of the previous campaign and was rewarded with a new two-year contract this summer.

#### JIM STEVENSON

Box-to-box midfielder signed in May on a two-year deal from Histon. The youngster scored 11 goals for the Stutes in 2012/13 and ended the campaign as the top goalscorer. The 21-year-old made his full debut as a 17-year-old at Kenilworth Road for Histon in a game the Hatters won 5-1.

### In Attack

#### JON SHAW

Centre-forward in his second season at Kenilworth Road having signed last summer from Gateshead. Scored 45 league goals in 80 appearances for the Tynesiders and hit double figures for the Town last term, including a hat-trick in the 6-1 win over Barrow in January.

#### ALEX WALL

Raw, powerful centre-forward with pace to boot, who became John Still's first signing at Kenilworth Road having joined from Maidenhead last season. He scored his first goals for the Hatters when both hitting both goals in a 2-0 win over Ebbsfleet in April.

#### MARK CULLEN

Young striker signed on a two-year deal following his release from Premier League-bound Hull City. A clever, poacher of a forward, Cullen impressed the manager with two fine performances against the Hatters whilst on loan at Stockport. Given his debut for Hull in the Premier League, he scored on his full debut for the Tigers whilst in the flight.

#### ANDRE GREY

Lightening quick forward who finished last season as the Hatters' leading goalscorer with 20 goals. The young striker made an instant impact when signing from Hinckley in March 2012 and has been capped by England C.

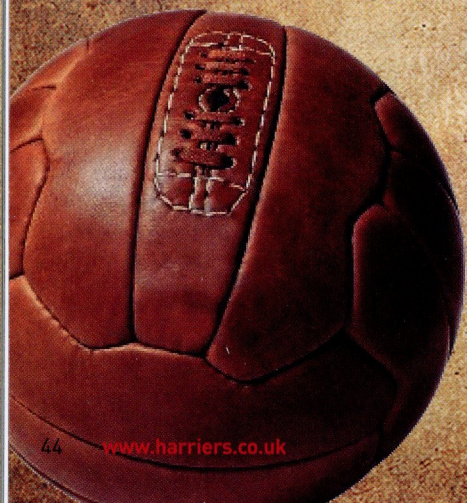
#### JAKE WOOLLEY

Teenage forward who signed professional forms last summer having impressed the coaching staff with his performances and attitude. Also made his debut as a 17-year-old in the Trophy, but has also tasted action in the Conference.



# 4 THE FAB

Football historian Leigh Edwards traces what happened to four of Luton Town's greatest post-war teams...



## 1959 FA CUP FINALISTS

**RON BAYNHAM:** England international goalkeeper who made 388 League appearances until injury ended his playing career in May 1965. He later worked as an interior decorator and now lives in Silsoe.

**BRENDAN McNALLY:** Eire international right-back who joined Cambridge City in July 1963, then Dunstable. He managed Chesham and Dunstable, then worked for Zenith Windows, settling in Dunstable.

**KEN HAWKES:** Left-back who moved to Peterborough United in June 1961, then played for Bedford and St Neots. He spent 28 years as a sales rep for a wholesale food company and still lives in Luton.

**JOHN GROVES:** Long-serving right-half who netted 16 goals in 218 League games, moving to Bourneham in September 1963. Settling in his native Derby, he spent 30 years working for Courtaulds.

**SYD OWEN:** England international who became manager. Later Leeds United's coach until October 1975, he then coached at Birmingham, Hull City and Manchester United. He died in August 1998.

**DAVE PACEY:** England U-23 left-half who netted 16 goals in 246 League games for the Hatters, moving to Kettering Town in July 1965. He then worked for Electrolux, settling in Newport Pagnell.

**BILLY BINGHAM:** Northern Ireland international winger who joined Everton in October 1960, then played for Port Vale. He managed Southport, Plymouth, Everton, Mansfield and Northern Ireland.

**ALLAN BROWN:** Scotland international who moved to Portsmouth in March 1961, then managed Wigan, Luton, Torquay, Bury, Nottingham Forest, Southport and Blackpool. He died in April 2011.

**BOB MORTON:** England B international who netted 48 goals in 495 League games, becoming Bletchley Town's player-boss in July 1964. He worked for Luton Sports Press and died in April 2002.

**GEORGE CUMMINS:** Eire international who scored 21 times in 186 League outings, moving to Cambridge City in July 1961, then Hull City. He was later an electrician, settling in Newton-le-Willows.

**TONY GREGORY:** Ex-England Youth winger who joined Watford in March 1960, then Bexley, Bedford, Hastings, Dover and Stevenage. He was managing director of an aerosol manufacturing firm.

## 1973-74 PROMOTION WINNERS

**GRAHAM HORN:** Goalkeeper who moved to Charlton Athletic in December 1976, then Southend, Aldershot and Torquay. Later a residential social worker for Devon County Council, he died in July 2012.

**JOHN RYAN:** Right-back who joined Norwich City in August 1976, then Sheffield United, Manchester City, Stockport County, Chester and Cambridge United's player-boss. He has held coaching posts.

**BOBBY THOMSON:** Ex-England international who had a spell with Hartford Bi-Centennials before joining Port Vale in October 1976. He was Stafford's player-boss, then ran a sports shop in Sedgley.

**PETER ANDERSON:** Midfielder who joined Antwerp in December 1975, then Tampa Bay Rowdies, Sheffield United and was Millwall's player-boss. Now CEO of Bayshore Technologies Group in Tampa.

**JOHN FAULKNER:** Central defender who netted six goals in 209 League games. Later coaching at Luton and Norwich City, 'Maxie' then scouted for various clubs and since become a sports psychologist.

**ALAN GARNER:** Central defender who moved to Watford in February 1975, then played for Portsmouth, Barnet, Chesham United and Barton Rovers. He now runs his own window business in Hitchin.

**JIM RYAN:** Winger who scored 21 times in 184 League games, then had a spell with Dallas Tornado before rejoining Luton as a coach, then manager. He has since coached back at Manchester United.

**JIMMY HUSBAND:** Former England U-23 international who joined Memphis Rogues in May 1978. Later with Eynesbury and St Neots, he then worked as a barman at a local pub and has settled in Clophill.

**BARRY BUTLIN:** Leading marksman who moved to Nottingham Forest in October 1974, then played for Peterborough and Sheffield United. He is now a financial adviser and has settled in Chellaston.

**ALAN WEST:** England U-23 midfielder who joined Millwall in July 1981, then had spells with Hitchin and Baldock. He has since become a church minister in Luton and also the Hatters' club chaplain.

**JOHN ASTON:** England U-23 winger who netted 31 goals in 174 League games before moving to Mansfield Town in September 1977, then Blackburn Rovers. He has since run Pet World in Stalybridge.

## 1981-82 SECOND DIVISION CHAMPIONS

**JAKE FINDLAY:** Goalkeeper who made 167 League appearances before joining Swindon Town in July 1985, then Portsmouth and Coventry City. He has held coaching posts, including at Stourport Swifts.

**KIRK STEPHENS:** Right-back who scored twice in 227 League games before joining Coventry City in August 1984, then Nuneaton Borough. He has since run the family building firm Walsgrave Contractors.

**RICHARD MONEY:** England B international who joined Portsmouth in August 1983, then Scunthorpe United again. He has since had spells as manager of Scunthorpe, Walsall, Luton and Cambridge United.

**BRIAN HORTON:** Inspirational skipper who became Hull City's player-boss in July 1984, since managing Oxford United, Manchester City, Huddersfield Town, Brighton, Port Vale and Macclesfield Town.

**CLIVE GOODYEAR:** Central defender who moved to Plymouth Argyle in August 1984, then Wimbledon, Brentford and St Albans City. He has since been a physio at several clubs and now in Bletchley.

**MAL DONAGHY:** Northern Ireland international who joined Manchester United in October 1988, then played for Chelsea. Settling back in Northern Ireland, he has worked for the FAI in development roles.

**RICKY HILL:** England international midfielder who joined Le Havre in June 1989, then reunited with David Pleat at Leicester City. He held several coaching posts before a spell back at Luton as manager.

**BRIAN STEIN:** England international striker who joined Annecy in June 1988, then played for Luton again and Barnet. He has since held coaching posts, including a spell assisting Mike Newell at Luton.

**STEVE WHITE:** Striker who moved to Charlton Athletic in July 1982, then Bristol Rovers again, Swindon Town, Hereford United and Cardiff City. He has assisted Bath City and managed Chippenham.

**LIL FUCCILLO:** Midfielder who later played for Tulsa Roughnecks, Southend, Peterborough and Cambridge United. His management posts included a spell back at Luton and he now scouts for Newcastle.

**DAVID MOSS:** Winger who returned to Swindon Town in July 1985. He later assisted Brian Horton at various clubs and managed Macclesfield Town, becoming involved with youth development at Liverpool.

## 1988 LEAGUE CUP WINNERS

**ANDY DIBBLE:** Welsh international goalkeeper who joined Manchester City in July 1988, then Glasgow Rangers, Luton again, Stockport County and Wrexham. He has since been a goalkeeping coach.

**TIM BREACKER:** England U-21 right-back who netted three goals in 210 League games before joining West Ham in October 1990, then played for QPR. He has coached at various clubs now Millwall.

**ROB JOHNSON:** Left-back who reunited with David Pleat at Leicester City in August 1989, then played for Barnet. He is now a physio with the English Institute of Sport and has a practice in Matlock.

**RICKY HILL:** England international midfielder who joined Le Havre in June 1989, then reunited with David Pleat at Leicester City. He held several coaching posts before a spell back at Luton as manager.

**STEVE FOSTER:** England international central defender who netted 11 goals in 163 League games, joining Oxford United in July 1989, then Brighton again. He now has an insurance business in Hove.

**MAL DONAGHY:** Northern Ireland international who joined Manchester United in October 1988, then played for Chelsea. Settling back in Northern Ireland, he has worked for the FAI in development roles.

**DANNY WILSON:** Northern Ireland international who moved to Sheffield Wednesday in August 1990. He has managed Barnsley, Wednesday, Bristol City, MK Dons, Hartlepool, Swindon and Sheffield United.

**BRIAN STEIN:** England international striker who joined Annecy in June 1988, then played for Luton again and Barnet. He has since held coaching posts, including a spell assisting Mike Newell at Luton.

**MICK HARFORD:** England international striker who joined Derby in January 1990, then Luton again, Chelsea, Sunderland, Coventry and Wimbledon. Later Luton's manager, he is Millwall's assistant-boss.

**DAVID PREECE:** England B international who netted 21 goals in 336 League games, moving to Derby County in August 1995, then was player-coach at Cambridge United and Torquay. He died in July 2007.

**KINGSLEY BLACK:** Northern Ireland international winger who joined Nottingham Forest in September 1991, then appeared for Grimsby Town and Lincoln City. He currently owns tanning studios in Luton.



# STATS2013/14

## LATEST SKRILL PREMIER TABLE

	Pld	W	D	L	F	A	GD	Pts
1 Barnet	5	3	2	0	9	2	+7	11
2 Cambridge United	5	3	2	0	9	3	+6	11
3 Nuneaton Town	5	3	2	0	8	4	+4	11
4 Grimsby Town	5	3	1	1	7	4	+3	10
5 Lincoln City	5	3	1	1	5	2	+3	10
6 FC Halifax Town	5	3	1	1	9	0	0	10
7 <b>HARRIERS</b>	5	3	0	2	9	7	+2	9
8 Alfreton Town	5	3	0	2	9	8	+1	9
9 Southport	5	3	0	2	6	0	0	9
10 Forest Green Rovers	5	2	2	1	12	4	+8	8
11 Welling United	5	2	2	1	8	6	+2	8
12 Hereford United	5	2	2	1	7	5	+2	8
13 Braintree Town	5	2	1	2	5	0	0	7
14 <b>LUTON TOWN</b>	5	1	3	1	3	2	+1	6
15 Dartford	5	2	0	3	3	7	-4	6
16 Wrexham	5	1	2	2	8	10	-2	5
17 Tamworth	5	1	2	2	3	5	-2	5
18 Woking	5	1	1	3	5	8	-3	4
19 Salisbury City	5	1	1	3	3	6	-3	4
20 Macclesfield Town	5	0	3	2	5	7	-2	3
21 Hyde	5	0	2	3	5	15	-10	2
22 Gateshead	5	0	1	4	6	11	-5	1
23 Chester	5	0	0	5	2	12	-10	0
24 Aldershot Town (-10)	5	2	1	2	6	4	+2	-3

## APPEARANCES AND GOALSCORERS 2013/14

	12/13		KHFC	
	Apps	Goals	Apps	Goals
Dior Angus	1+2	-	1+2	-
Nathan Blissett	-	-	17+12	3
Jack Byrne	1+2	-	69+16	19
James Dance	0+3	-	0+3	-
Mickey Demetriou	5	-	78+5	3
Cheyenne Dunkley	5	1	54	9
Lee Fowler	4+1	-	4+1	-
Michael Gash	5	1	17+1	8(1)
Callum Gittings	4	1	78+36	11
Josh Gowling	5	1	51	5
Jamie Grimes	-	-	-	-
Danny Jackman	1+2	-	17+4	1
Marvin Johnson	4	1	38+22	8
Danny Lewis	5	-	123	-
Joe Lolley	0+3	1	0+3	1
Anthony Malbon	5	1	68+6	29
Ryan Rowe	-	-	19+37	14
Kyle Storer	5	2	87+3	7
Jamie Tolley	0+1	-	0+1	-
Lee Vaughan	5	-	130+2	8(5)
Nathan Vaughan	-	-	17	-
Tyrone Williams	-	-	-	-

## TODAY'S OTHER SKRILL PREMIER FIXTURES

Barnet	<input type="checkbox"/>	Hyde	<input type="checkbox"/>
Cambridge United	<input type="checkbox"/>	Tamworth	<input type="checkbox"/>
Dartford	<input type="checkbox"/>	Lincoln City	<input type="checkbox"/>
Forest Green Rovers	<input type="checkbox"/>	Alfreton Town	<input type="checkbox"/>
Grimsby Town	<input type="checkbox"/>	Nuneaton Town	<input type="checkbox"/>
Hereford United	<input type="checkbox"/>	Welling United	<input type="checkbox"/>
Macclesfield Town	<input type="checkbox"/>	Braintree Town	<input type="checkbox"/>
Salisbury City	<input type="checkbox"/>	FC Halifax Town	<input type="checkbox"/>
Southport	<input type="checkbox"/>	Aldershot Town	<input type="checkbox"/>
Woking	<input type="checkbox"/>	Gateshead	<input type="checkbox"/>
Wrexham	<input type="checkbox"/>	Chester	<input type="checkbox"/>

Date	Opposition	Result	Pos	Att	Away
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### AUGUST

Saturday 10	Gateshead	W3-1	3	2110	76
Tuesday 13	Alfreton Town	L1-3	13	722	175
Saturday 17	Braintree Town	W1-0	6	874	100
Saturday 24	Chester	W3-1	2	2,283	396
Monday 26	Nuneaton	L1-2	6	1,481	418
Saturday 31	Luton Town				

### SEPTEMBER

Saturday 7	Welling				
Saturday 14	Hyde				
Tuesday 17	Tamworth				
Saturday 21	Dartford				
Tuesday 24	FC Halifax Town				
Friday 27	Aldershot Town				

### OCTOBER

Saturday 5	Chester				
Tuesday 8	Forest Green Rovers				
Saturday 12	Southport				
Saturday 19	Lincoln City				
Saturday 26	FA Cup 4th Qualifying Round				

### NOVEMBER

Saturday 2	Barnet				
Saturday 9	Woking				
Tuesday 12	Macclesfield Town				
Saturday 16	Wrexham				
Saturday 23	Tamworth				
Saturday 30	FA Trophy 1st Round Proper				

### DECEMBER

Saturday 7	Woking				
Saturday 14	Alfreton Town				
Friday 20	Grimsby Town				
Thursday 26	Hereford United				
Saturday 28	Luton Town				

### JANUARY

Wednesday 1	Hereford United				
Saturday 4	Dartford				
Saturday 11	Salisbury City				
Saturday 18	Aldershot Town				
Saturday 25	Macclesfield Town				

### FEBRUARY

Saturday 1	Gateshead				
Saturday 8	Cambridge United				
Saturday 15	Lincoln City				
Saturday 22	Braintree Town				

### MARCH

Saturday 1	Cambridge United				
Saturday 8	Wrexham				
Saturday 15	Barnet				
Saturday 22	Southport				
Saturday 29	Salisbury City				

### APRIL

Saturday 5	Grimsby Town				
Tuesday 8	Forest Green Rovers				
Saturday 12	Welling United				
Saturday 19	Hyde				
Tuesday 21	Nuneaton Town				
Saturday 26	FC Halifax Town				

## HARRIERS STATS

### MINUTES PLAYED

Six players	450
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### FREE-KICKS WON

Lee Vaughan	8
Kyle Storer	7
Josh Gowling	7

### FREE-KICKS CONCEDED

Kyle Storer	9
Mickey Demetriou	8
Lee Vaughan	7

### OFFSIDES AGAINST

Michael Gash	12
Anthony Malbon	6
Callum Gittings	2

### SHOTS ON TARGET

Kyle Storer	6
Anthony Malbon	5
Michael Gash	4

### MOST ACCURATE SHOOTING

Kyle Storer	66.67%
Jack Byrne	50.00%
Dior Angus	50.00%

### SHOTS PER GOAL

Josh Gowling	3.00
Kyle Storer	4.50
Callum Gittings	4.00

### ASSISTS

Kyle Storer	3
Jack Byrne	2
Michael Gash	2
Lee Vaughan	1
Callum Gittings	1

### GOALS (GOALS PER GAME)

Kyle Storer	2 (0.40)
Joe Lolley	1 (0.33)
Marvin Johnson	1 (0.25)
Callum Gittings	1 (0.25)
Josh Gowling	1 (0.25)
Chey Dunkley	1 (0.20)
Michael Gash	1 (0.20)
Anthony Malbon	1 (0.20)

### YELLOW/RED CARDS

Mickey Demetriou	2/0
Chey Dunkley	1/0
Jack Byrne	1/0
Lee Fowler	1/0
Callum Gittings	1/0

### MINUTES PER GOAL CONCEDED

Danny Lewis	64.29
Opponents	50.00

Qualification for averages: must have played in 20% of matches

Saturday kick-off 3:00pm

Midweek kick-off 7:45pm

unless otherwise stated

## Starting XI

Lewis, L. Vaughan, Gowling, **DUNKLEY**, Demetriou, Storer, Fowler, **GITTINGS**, Johnson, **GASH**, Malbon  
 Lewis, L. Vaughan, Gowling, Dunkley, Demetriou, **STORER**, Fowler, Gittings, Johnson, Gash, Malbon  
 Lewis, L. Vaughan, Gowling, Dunkley, Demetriou, **STORER**, Fowler, Gittings, Johnson, Gash, Malbon  
 Lewis, L. Vaughan, **GOWLING**, Dunkley, Demetriou, Storer, Fowler, Gittings, **JOHNSON**, Gash, Malbon  
 Lewis, L. Vaughan, Gowling, Dunkley, Demetriou, Storer, Byrne, Jackman, Angus, Gash, **MALBON**

## Subs

Tolley (18), Byrne (4), Angus (11), Dance, N. Vaughan  
 Tolley, Byrne, Angus (10), Dance (18), N. Vaughan  
 Byrne (18), Jackman (10), Dance, Lolley (11), N. Vaughan  
 Byrne, Jackman (8), Dance (11), **LOLLEY** (10), N. Vaughan  
 Fowler (16), Johnson, Dance (10), Lolley (14), N. Vaughan

# FLASHBAX

## HARRIERS 1-2 LUTON TOWN. SATURDAY, 10 OCTOBER, 2009

Harriers were defeated by two Luton goals in the last fifteen minutes, including a last-minute winner that left them rueing missed chances in a dramatic and controversial first half.

The first half was initially good for Harriers, the visitors allowing them plenty of time and space to knock the ball around. It was the visitors, however, who had the first good chance to open the scoring: Chris McPhee, still in the heart of the defence in an unchanged Harriers side, made a poor clearance that was played back in to Ben Wright who hit his shot on the turn over the bar.

Within a minute Harriers were ahead; Duane Courtney's cross from the right found Matt Barnes-Homer at the near post on the edge of the penalty area, he chested the ball down and spun and hit a low shot across Mark Tyler in The Hatters' goal to record his seventh goal of the season.

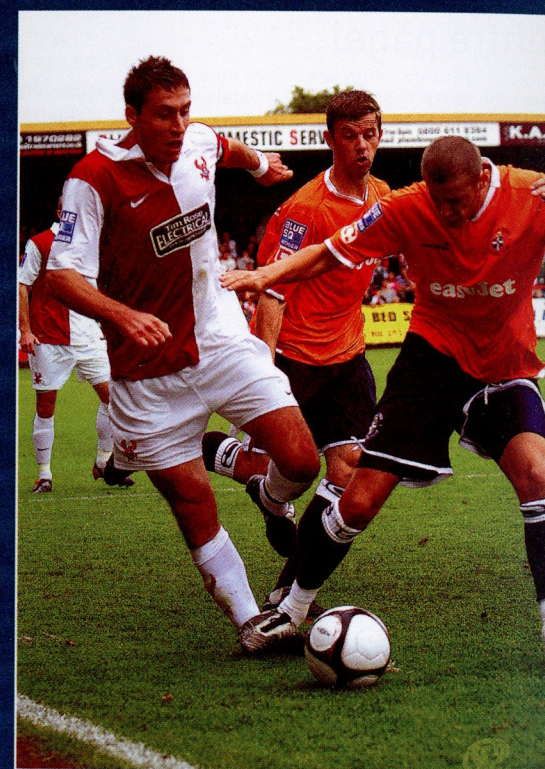
Harriers should have built upon their lead, and could have had the game wrapped up long before the drama kicked-off; Lee Baker's cross from the left was flicked on by Barnes-Homer just out of the reach of Robbie Matthews shortly after the goal. On the half-hour Barnes-Homer's cross from the right picked out Brian Smikle whose goal bound header was well saved by Tyler and when Barnes-Homer fired the loose ball back across goal there was nobody there to apply the finishing touch. Five minutes before the interval Baker's corner from the right was not cleared and McPhee saw his shot cleared off the line.

Moments later the game was turned upon its head. Luton midfielder Rossi Jarvis made a needless, reckless, challenge on McPhee on the touchline near midfield and was shown the red card. McPhee hobbled on for a short

while but had to be substituted for Gavin Caines. In stoppage time at the end of the half Harriers themselves were reduced to ten men when Matthews was adjudged to have stamped on Tyler as he leapt over him as the keeper saved at his feet, the referee possibly influenced by the reaction of Tyler and the baying Luton fans just a few yards away behind the goal.

After the interval Luton began to take control of the game and kept Harriers penned back inside their own half for extended periods of the game. Ten minutes in Adam Newton's cross from the right was headed wide of the far post by Asa Hall. At the other end Smikle had a great chance to double the lead on the hour, set up by Dean Bennett he lashed at his shot and blasted it over the bar from a narrow angle.

Freddie Murray set up another chance for Luton as the visitors continued to press but his cross from the left was headed weakly at Dean Coleman by substitute Ryan Charles. It was no surprise, then, when Town drew level with fifteen minutes still to play; a cross from the left was not cleared



properly and fell to Newton who hit a blistering volley that gave Coleman no chance before going in off the bar.

Despite being pegged back for most of the half it seemed that Harriers would at least hold on to take a point but in the last minute they were sunk when Charles met Newton's cross from the right and lifted it past Coleman to send the visiting support into raptures.

Above: Jarvis goes in late on McPhee



# DC

## Welcome to the youth section of KHFC - the Development Centre page!

As we look to our first team role-models we hope today they will continue their good home form after the visit to Nuneaton in the week. What I can say and do say to all our young players at the DC is that with the first team we have excellent models for the youth teams. Whatever the result, it is clear to see that they always give their all - and that's all we ask from our players too - effort brings rewards and if the results don't go your way, no one can criticise you if you tried your best.

### MATCHES

This last week we have had the other half of the Cheltenham Town fixtures which was the first match for all of our teams since the summer break so particularly pleasing to see the final scores. The results from this week are as follows:

**U12s** - ran out very comfortable winners with a great 5-0 win. Initially the players took a bit of time to settle into their new team but once they discovered the space they started to take control and a deserved clear win. The season is looking already good for these young lads!

**U13s** - got off to a strong confident start and controlled the game heading into the first break 2-1. With a good squad and opportunity to try new things out unfortunately this allowed Cheltenham back into the game and they took it back. To their credit the U13s finished strongly again and dominated but were left with too much to do. Score 3-5

**U14s** - also dominated from the outset and went into the last period with a deserved 4-2 lead. Despite a small squad they looked the better side throughout. Lack of substitutes alas took its toll and Cheltenham were able to close the gap with the game finishing 4-4.

So overall in the Cheltenham Town vs KHFC DC fixtures we won 3, drew 1 and lost 1 so a great club result and one all teams can share in - well done everyone!



### THE WEEK AHEAD

Continuing our pre-season preparation, we have two more matches lined up as we enter the final stages before the start of the league on Wednesday, the U12s and U13s entertain Walsall Academy with the U16s traveling to their venue for an interclub match. This is followed by Coventry City away on the following Saturday. This number of games we feel has been the right balance of training and matches and we are confident this will hold us in good stead for the season to come.

### BALL BOYS

Today's ball boys are from our U13 FITC side who play in the Stourport and District League on Sundays - thanks guys!

### FINAL THOUGHTS

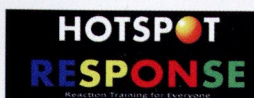
As a DC we are always looking to ensure we create the right balance between developing young players, getting the results and most importantly that the boys have fun. This becomes so important as we move from the selection phase we conducted back in May, through the consolidation phase of pre-season and friendlies finally to the league commencing. We want our teams to be competitive but also learn the values of teamwork, sportsmanship, comradeship, learning and dedication. What we do expect is total commitment, hard work and a positive outlook. The one thing none of us can predict is the results on match day. But we must ensure that the results are only a small part of their football experience and it mustn't get too much emphasis - sure we all want to win but we also want to learn, get better and above all enjoy the sport. Because as even the first team players I'm sure will say...if you stop enjoying it there really is no point.

Come on You Reds!

**Fraser Harban**  
Chairman KHFC DC

### SPONSORS

We are indebted to our sponsors without whom we would struggle to operate - thanks each and every one of you!



## MATCHDAY SOCCER AND BIRTHDAY PARTIES

Our Matchday Soccer Programme is held whenever Harriers have a Saturday Home League match.

It is open to groups, teams and involves a football training session usually held at Baxter College followed by a visit to watch the Harriers play. Weather permitting the group will have the opportunity to play on the pitch during the half time interval. Cost is £85.00 for up to 20 players. Adults can also gain access to the match via a discounted community ticket.

To book, please contact Nick Griffiths at the community office.

We also hold Birthday parties during week days. These usually run from 4.30pm to 5.30pm for a football session followed by a tour of Aggborough Stadium. The birthday boy/girl receives a signed Harriers football and birthday card. Food can also be arranged.

# FOOTBALL IN THE COMMUNITY TRUST

## MINI KICKERS

Harriers community team will once again be running minikickers centres for 5-9 year olds throughout Worcestershire. The programme is aimed at giving children their first taste of football.

The season is split into three blocks - September to December, January to Easter and Easter to mid-July.

The weekly sessions operate during term time and cost £3.00 per session or £5.00 for two sessions. Each block has a structured programme that if completed rewards those attending with a medal/trophy. Anyone is welcome to attend and there is no need to book a place, simply turn up at the appropriate venue ready to play.

The venues are:

### DROITWICH

Witton Middle School

Mondays 5-6pm

### BROMSGROVE

Charford Primary School

Tuesdays 5-6pm

### KIDDERMINSTER

Baxter College

Wednesdays 4.45-5.45pm

### MALVERN

Somers Park Primary School

Wednesdays 4.45-5.45pm

### WORCESTER

Warndon Primary School

Thursdays 4.45-5.45pm

## GIFTED & TALENTED

Our highly successful Gifted and Talented programme will restart on Friday September 20th at King Charles High School on the artificial pitch.

This programme is for U9S to U12s. It is aimed at players wanting to progress to the next level. There are no trials but players who attend must have a good playing ability and be willing

to learn. The coaching is aimed at a higher standard and some may find it to be demanding.

The programme will run for ten weeks up until November 29th and then will break until January for block 2, with block 3 being during the summer months. Throughout the year we will also be playing selected teams, particularly during the summer months when players have fewer commitments with their local club sides. Recent games have been against Walsall and Shrewsbury Town.

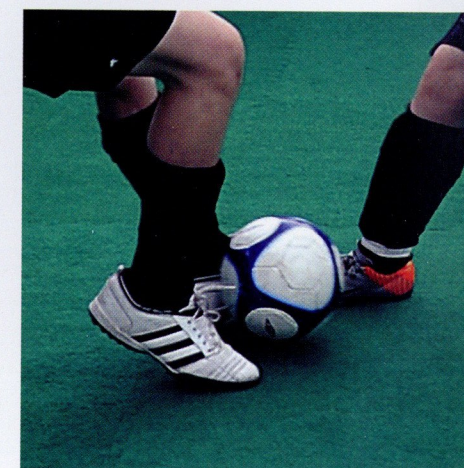
Those wishing to attend should contact the community scheme on 01562 86382.

Under 8's are able to attend via invitation/recommendation only.

## SATURDAY SOCCER

Our weekly football on a Saturday restarts on 7th September at Baxter College, 10.30-11.45am.

The session caters for Anklebiters age 3-5 years, Minikickers 5-9 years and Hot Shots 9-12 years. It is open to girls and boys of all abilities. Cost is £3.00 per session (£5 for two sessions) there is no need to book just turn up ready to play. The programme features match play and a regular weekly competition.







## THE NEXT GENERATION

An update from Steve Guinan and the Harriers Academy in partnership with Stourbridge College – now part of Birmingham Metropolitan.

### AN INTRODUCTION

I took up the post of Academy Manager at the very end of last season. It was a good time to come in and gave me a good time to settle in and work out what needed tweaking and improving. The partnership is going from strength to strength with numbers improving rapidly but, understandably, it's important to keep all of the teams and individuals happy and make sure the Academy does what it says on the tin. From my own perspective, the working relationship I have with Steve, Gary and the first team makes it the ideal role for me and I still have the chance to be involved on a hands-on basis with them – that can only be a good thing.

### A PATHWAY

The Academy has a number of objectives, not least is to make sure the Academy does what it says on the tin and produces talented footballers for the first-team at Kidderminster Harriers and through a regular reserve and County up fixtures there is always ample opportunity for that – a number of this year's set-up made appearances in the recent reserve game at Cheltenham Town and that's a great carrot for us to dangle. There is a natural progression from the Academy to the first-team squad and there will always be the ethos now that it is not so much about football matches, results and winning and instead it is more about developing players and the lads as well-rounded human beings with a solid education. That education is so important because it's a stark reality that a largest majority of youngsters will receive bad news after the one or two-year course and it's important they are set-up for another career with different skills if need be.

### CONGRATULATIONS TYRONE

Tyrone Williams became the first full graduate of the Academy partnership to earn a professional contract after he was signed on during the summer. He has come through the system and managed to achieve the goal all the students are reaching for and was the Academy's most consistent player over the two years. We're delighted for Tyrone who has already gone out on loan and settled himself in the competitive, first-team environment at Sutton Coldfield where he is putting in some impressive performances.

### THIS SEASON

For the new season we will be playing again in the Football Conference Youth Alliance, as the club has done over the past couple of years. The team won Division A last season which was a fantastic achievement and we'll look to build on that. Additionally, England Colleges Football Association have merged with British Colleges Sport and have followed suit with the EPPP and this will see us playing across a number of divisions nationally. We'll also have a team in the evening Midland Floodlit Youth League as well.

### COMING SOON

There isn't too much to tell you about in terms of fixtures at the moment though we do have an FA Youth Cup with Budweiser tie set for Thursday, 12 September at Stratford Town. We have played a couple of matches in the MFYL but as yet there are no games in the Conference or College Leagues for at least the next few weeks or so. We'll be keeping you up to date with fixtures and results via the official Harriers website, [www.harriers.co.uk](http://www.harriers.co.uk).



# A FIVER OFF FOR ALDERSHOT...

**Harriers are pleased to confirm that supporters attending the upcoming home game against FC Halifax will be given a £5.00 OFF voucher for the home game against Aldershot Town three nights later.**

The Aldershot game has been moved forward a day to Friday, 27 September (7:45pm) for live coverage on BT Sport and follows hot on the heels of the Halifax tie which takes place on Tuesday, 24th (7:45pm).

To help keep up the fantastic support here at Aggborough and offer something of a helping hand, the club will be offering the £5.00 discount to the Aldershot match to every paying attendee at the Halifax fixture.

Simply put and for example – attend the Halifax game as a paying adult and, on the turnstile, you'll be presented with your £5.00 off voucher which you can use when you return against Aldershot a few nights later to knock a fiver off your admission price.

Again that's every paying attendee; so, for instance, U16s paying £5.00 on the turnstile at the Halifax game will still get their money-off voucher and will effectively get to go to the Aldershot game for free!

The offer doesn't exclude Season

Ticket holders who of course don't pay cash on the turnstiles, however – they simply need to pop along to Aggborough in the build-up to the Halifax game and, in return for one of their Season Ticket booklet vouchers they'll also get given the £5.00 off voucher which they can use to bring along to the Aldershot match someone new to sample the Aggborough atmosphere at a cut price.

It's our way of making things easier for you and for rewarding your superb backing of the boys.

● This offer will not be available to our Junior Supporters' Club members who have their own range of benefits or to those who attend the Halifax game free of charge i.e. those under the age of five





## HARRIERS

Manager: Steve Burr

- 1 Danny **Lewis**
- 2 Lee Vaughan
- 3 Mickey Demetriou
- 4 Kyle Storer
- 5 Jamie Tolley
- 6 Chey Dunkley
- 7 Jack Byrne
- 8 Lee Fowler
- 9 Michael Gash
- 10 Anthony Malbon
- 11 Marvin Johnson
- 12 Thomas Paine
- 13 Nathan Blissett
- 14 Dior Angus
- 15 Jamie Grimes
- 16 Danny Jackman
- 17 James Dance
- 18 Callum Gittings
- 19 Ryan Rowe
- 20 Tyrone Williams
- 21 Joe Lolley
- 23 Nathan **Vaughan**
- 30 Josh Gowling




## LUTON TOWN


Manager: John Still

- Mark **Tyler** 1 ○
- Danny Fitzsimons 3 ○
- Jonathan Smith 4 ○
- Steve McNulty 5 ○
- Anthony Charles 6 ○
- Alex Lawless 7 ○
- Solomon Taiwo 8 ○
- Jon Shaw 9 ○
- Alex Wall 10 ○
- Jake Howells 11 ○
- Scott Griffiths 12 ○
- Mark Cullen 13 ○
- Andy Parry 14 ○
- Elliot **Justham** 16 ○
- JJ O'Donnell 17 ○
- Dave Martin 18 ○
- Luke Guttridge 21 ○
- Shaun Whalley 22 ○
- Matt Robinson 23 ○
- Ronnie Henry 25 ○
- Paul Benson 26 ○
- Andre Gray 27 ○
- Jim Stevenson 28 ○
- Alex Lacey 30 ○
- Jake Woolley 31 ○
- Brett Longden 32 ○
- Jerome Jibodu 33 ○

### MATCH OFFICIALS

**Referee:** Kevin Johnson (Somerset)

 **Asst Referee:** David Ricketts

 **Asst Referee:** Matthew Jones

**Fourth Official:** Stuart England

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