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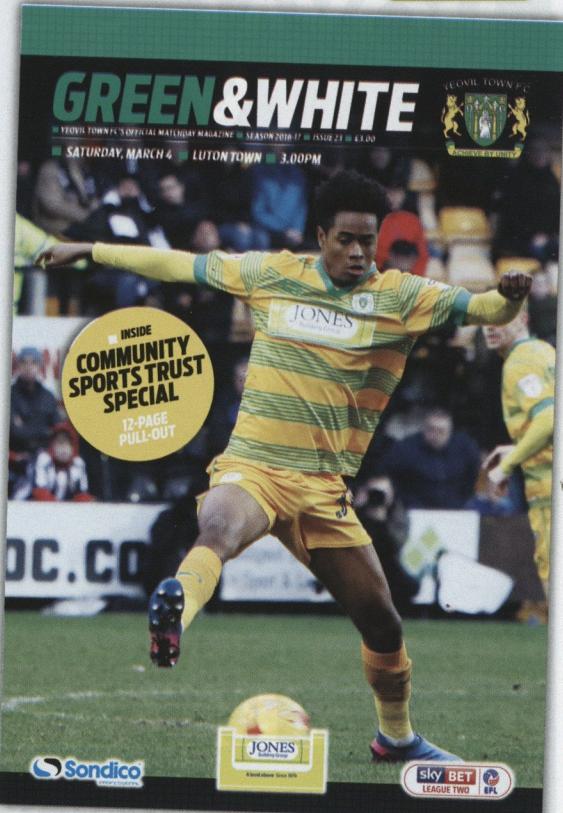
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OPINION

DARREN WAY

■ VIEWS OF THE MANAGER



Good afternoon everyone and thanks for your support here this afternoon as we take on Luton Town.

A warm welcome to the familiar face of Nathan Jones, his staff, players and everyone associated with Luton to Huish Park. It'll be nice to get the chance to catch up with Nathan after the game but first of all we have 90 minutes of challenging football to get past.

At this stage of the season every game is a big game because of what's at stake, whether it be promotion or relegation. We faced a Mansfield side on Tuesday desperate to get into the play-offs and a Luton side today still in touch with automatic promotion.

At the moment we've come out as a team which could have the question thrown at us of 'what are you challenging for'?

We had the adrenaline amongst all of us last season to beat the drop and despite giving everything to reach the top seven this time around, we've ended up looking over our shoulder in the last few weeks.

Our level of performance throughout the season has kept each game close in terms of being in the match and viewing each fixture as winnable.

There's no hiding from the fact we've not been clinical enough in front of goal, and that's certainly an area we need to invest in heavily ready for next season.

However, I can't fault this group for their work ethic and desire. We're constantly trying to make improvements on and off the pitch.

For me, whether it be as manager, coach or certainly a player, I've given my all for this football club and the players are doing the same.

The challenge we have this afternoon and in the remaining games – especially at home – is managing that fear that sets in the final stages of a game.

I talk a lot about 'sense it, see it, feel it' and you can feel the anxiety levels rise



■ Darren Way applauds the fans after Tuesday's 0-0 draw with Mansfield Town

late on when the game is in the balance.

That's where we have to be clinical to make sure games are in a comfortable position as we enter the final 10 minutes or so, and I feel that will happen.

I'm frustrated because the line between us being a good team rather than an average team this season is small. But we have to look at our decisions throughout the season, and I have to reflect on decisions I made in the January transfer window when we lost Ryan Hedges to Barnsley and Otis Khan to injury.

Could I have done anything better to give us that last push? The games are ticking down fast now and we're determined to make sure we finish the season strongly.

We're not hiding or shying away from the fact we want wins and we're aware the only way to do that is to score goals.

Hopefully, we can see that today and send you all home with a smile on your faces after an entertaining match.

Enjoy today's game and have a safe journey home.

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MATT DOLAN

■ VIEWS OF THE GLOVERS MIDFIELDER

You can tell the games are coming thick and fast by the fact that I seem to be writing my column non-stop – not that I mind! Welcome back to Huish Park for the second time this week. There's plenty going on around the place today with the Yeovil Town Community Sports Trust here as well as Thatchers Cider providing samples of their new range.

It sounds like I'm on commission for them, but sadly not! Anyway, focus for me and the players is solely on today's game as we take on another promotion chasing outfit in Luton Town.

We've crossed paths a fair bit this season in the league and Checkatrade Trophy, so we know plenty about each other in terms of what threats we both pose.

That said, the gaffer has done plenty of homework as always to give us the best possible chance of picking up the three points we badly want this afternoon.

There's no hiding from the fact we need to score more goals; we all know that goals win matches and whilst our defensive record is good, we need that potency in the final third to start turning draws into wins.

Credit to Artur Krysiak and the back four because we're fifth in the league for clean sheets, so all we need to do now is improve our effectiveness going forward and we'd be a force to be reckoned with.

After three draws in a row here there's determination in the dressing room to put a show on for you all and get you out of your seats this afternoon. Three points today would certainly do that.

The pitch here is superb for this time of the season so Rich and his ground staff deserve tremendous credit for that.

We endured some 'interesting' surfaces at both Cheltenham and Notts County in the last few weeks so to walk out onto the pitch here on Tuesday night was a welcome relief.

I think you could see we tried to get the ball down and play against Mansfield



■ Matt plays a pass during last Tuesday night's 0-0 draw with Mansfield Town

– certainly in the first-half – and we want to do the same today.

We've had some great occasions here this season and we know when it clicks it can end up with goals and entertainment aplenty.

Luton will be doing everything they can to make sure that doesn't happen though and we're under no illusions about how challenging today's game will be.

They've got a great squad with a number of players who have played at higher levels and could do so now.

That's where our home advantage comes into effect and I'm sure you'll be getting behind us as always today.

It will be great to see so many from the local community in the stands here with the YTCST and I'm sure it's set to be another good atmosphere.

Stick with us because we're doing everything we can to turn draws into wins – hopefully starting this afternoon.

Enjoy the game!

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■ BY CHRIS SPITTLERS

Tottenham Hotspur loanee Shayon Harrison is loving life at Huish Park – and is determined to make the most of his opportunities between now and the end of the season.

The 19-year-old joined Yeovil in January, having made his first team debut for Spurs against Liverpool in the EFL Cup earlier this season.

He arrived with a big pedigree, boasting a prolific scoring record in youth team football at White Hart Lane.

Harrison has made seven appearances for the Glovers so far and made his first Football League start in the draw with

Mansfield at Huish Park on Tuesday night. He admits it's been a steep learning curve so far but has enjoyed every minute of his time in south Somerset.

Harrison said: "It's been great. It's the first time I've played first team football really and it's exactly what I need.

"It's been a great experience for me so far and I just have to keep going now to make sure I make the most of my time here.

"I started at Luton in the Checkatrade Trophy and then on Tuesday I made my first league start so I am making progress.

"It is up to me to prove that I am worthy

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■ Harrison celebrates scoring for his parent club Tottenham Hotspur

of a place in the team so I can get more starts between now and the end of the season.

"It's been different to playing in youth and Under-23s football in terms of the intensity and the physicality but it's the sort of experiences that I need to progress my career.

"You get far less time on the ball playing in League Two and you have to be mentally switched on all the time to anticipate what is going to happen.

"I've also been coming up against big, strong, physical defenders and it's something you don't really get in the Under-23s.

"It can be tough but I'm not afraid of getting stuck in and I have to hope that the qualities that I have help me get the better of any battles I'm facing.

"Spurs have been watching me and monitoring my progress and I think they're happy with how I'm doing so far."

Harrison is the latest in a long line of Tottenham loanees to move to Yeovil

to get first team experience. The tactic worked well for Ryan Mason, Steven Caulker and Andros Townsend, who have all gone on to become England internationals since developing at Huish Park.

Striker Jon Obika is another player who benefitted from spells at Huish Park, with the Swindon frontman spending four different spells in south Somerset.

So Harrison is following in illustrious footsteps and hopes he can emulate some of his predecessors.

He said: "I'm well aware of the links between Spurs and Yeovil and I know how well players have done after spells here.

"The three players who have become England internationals all went on to do well for Tottenham before moving on to other clubs and are having great careers in the game.

"I spoke to some of the lads who have been here and also to players at

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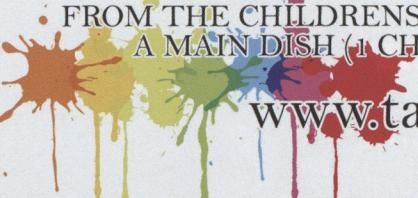
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■ Harrison in action against Luton in the Checkatrade Trophy match last month

Tottenham who have had loan spells with other clubs.

"They all told me how important it was to get competitive games at this level and it was an easy decision to make for me to come here."

Spurs' current leading striker and talisman is England international Harry Kane, who is another player to have experienced life in the lower divisions while on loan.

Kane spent time with Leyton Orient and Millwall and also enjoyed spells with Norwich and Leicester before making the breakthrough at White Hart Lane. And he's someone Harrison has been keen to learn from when the two have come into contact during training sessions at Tottenham.

The Yeovil loan striker said: "Of the current squad, Harry Kane is undoubtedly the player that I look up to."

"He plays in the same position as me and he is someone who came out on loan before becoming a regular at Tottenham and also playing for England."

"He's impressive both on and off the pitch with how hard he works, his attitude and his approach to the game."

"My aim is to play for the first team at Tottenham and I think that everyone who wants to do that should look at how hard Harry worked to achieve that."

Harrison's early appearances in a Yeovil shirt saw him deployed as a wideman in the Glovers' 4-3-3 formation.

However, in the last week he's played up front as a central striker as manager Darren Way has experimented with different formations.

At Notts County, Harrison was a late substitute, while on Tuesday night he started alongside Francois Zoko as Way searched for his most potent strike partnership.

The youngster said: "I'll play where the manager wants me. I want to play up front and I want to score goals."

"Where I play may depend on the formation and I'm happy with that. I've played centrally in the last couple of games and before that I played a bit wider. But I've done both roles in the past at Tottenham and think I can play either equally well."

"The next step for me is to start scoring goals and hopefully that can happen soon."

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GLOVERS SPOTLIGHT

■ OMAR SOWUNMI – DEFENDER/STRIKER

■ BY JOSH WILDE

Often used as an impact player off the bench, Omar Sowunmi certainly made his mark the last time these two teams met in the Checkatrade Trophy.

The forward was provider turned poacher within 12 minutes of coming on and describes the game.

He said: "It was amazing to come on and make a difference; first of all to get the assist for Francois Zoko's goal, before scoring myself.

"Hopefully I can replicate that time around and we'll end up with a better result. We'll definitely be looking for revenge.

"The cup's been very important to me this season. I was basically out all of last season with my injury and to come back this year and start like that has been great."

Having signed a two-year contract extension last summer, Sowunmi is grateful for the faith shown in him.

The striker explained: "Darren Way's looked after me from the start. He gave me another deal after my injury and that shows he believes in my ability.

"Having another year on your deal would help any player and it will help me really focus on football."

Converted from centre-half to centre forward by former Gloves manager

Paul Sturrock, the 21-year-old has been working hard to improve his attacking game.

Sowunmi added: "It's been difficult but I think I'm settling in now and it's getting easier every week. I'm training hard to get better in that position.

"Everyone's fighting for a place every week in training. To have more competition makes everyone work harder.

"Francois is always helping me out on the training field and in games. He's someone to look up to as he's played a lot of games. It's very good to get tips from him.

"For me, it's all about my hold-up play. Hopefully, I get my chance and show the gaffer what I can do.

"I want to get as many minutes as possible and score some goals."

Sowunmi lives in a house share with fellow players Alex Lacey, Ryan Dickson, Otis Khan and Ben Whitfield. The striker believes the amount of time they spend with each other can reflect positively on the pitch.

He said: "Living with some of the boys can build the togetherness that the club's all about. I think it really has helped this season.

"As a team, we're just taking it one game at a time. Results haven't gone our way in some of the previous games so we just need to work on that and build every week.

"Confidence is massive. All the boys are sticking together and we're very confident as a team."



■ Omar Sowunmi celebrates his goal in Yeovil's Checkatrade Trophy defeat to Luton at the start of February



SOWUNMI FACTFILE

Full name: Omar Kolawole Oluwemil Sowunmi.

Age: 21.

Place of Birth: Colchester.

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Best stadium played at? Pride Park, Derby.

Best player you've played with or against? Adel Taarabt.

Something people may not know about you? I can play the piano.

Who would you most like to be for a day? My dad.

Most scared of? Spiders.

Dream holiday destination? Los Angeles.

Favourite sport apart from football? NFL/American Football.

Likely job if you weren't a footballer? Rugby or Athletics.

One thing you'd like to improve in your game? My hold-up play.

If you could only take three things on a desert island, what would they be? A fully fueled boat, a machete and a fishing net.

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LUTON TOWN

TODAY'S VISITORS

■ BY DAVID COATES

Nathan Jones returns to Huish Park for the first time as a manager knowing he needs his side to turn draws into victories. The former Yeovil Town full-back, assistant manager and first-team coach has seen his side draw 12 matches this campaign.

Only fellow promotion hopefuls Carlisle United (13) have drawn more matches in the top 12 teams in League Two, and the manager knows they need to turn these points into three if they are to challenge for an automatic promotion place.

Speaking after seeing them draw against fellow high-fliers Plymouth last weekend, Jones said: "We have drawn games and it has been games that we've never been clinging on in.

"I can't remember a game where we've been backs to the wall, clinging on for a point for dear life, and that's the frustrating thing.

"We just need to keep finding the three points that's going to push us up the league as there's a lot to play for."

In defence, Luton Town have the second tightest defence in League Two having conceded 31 goals in 33 matches, with only Portsmouth (29 goals in 32 matches) doing better.

Highly-rated young goalkeeper Matt Macey, who joined from Premier League Arsenal on transfer deadline day, will be the imposing figure between the posts.

The 6'7" stopper made his debut in the 5-2 Checkatrade Trophy win over Yeovil Town and replaces Christian Walton, who had been first choice between the posts before returning to his parent club, Brighton and Hove Albion.

In front of him, right-back James Justin, 17, will be hoping he can retain his place having been a late switch for Stephen O'Donnell who missed last weekend's 1-1 draw with Plymouth with a late injury.

Captain Scott Cuthbert and Alan Sheehan were in the centre of defence last weekend with Jack Senior impressing

down the left side, mixing defensive duties with some impressive crosses.

Irishman Sheehan, who scored with a stunning strike against Yeovil in a 1-1 draw at Kénilworth Road last season, has consistently proved himself deadly with free-kicks throughout his career and will be a threat from set pieces today.

In front of the defence, Glen Rea, a summer signing from Brighton, impressed against high-riding Argyle sweeping up in front of defence.

Powerhouse midfielder Pelly-Ruddock Mpanzu was the star man against Plymouth and will be the engine room of the visitors' game today. The former West Ham United youngster has a tendency to drive forward from deep positions to unleash a powerful shot or play the ball forward for the visitors' frontmen.

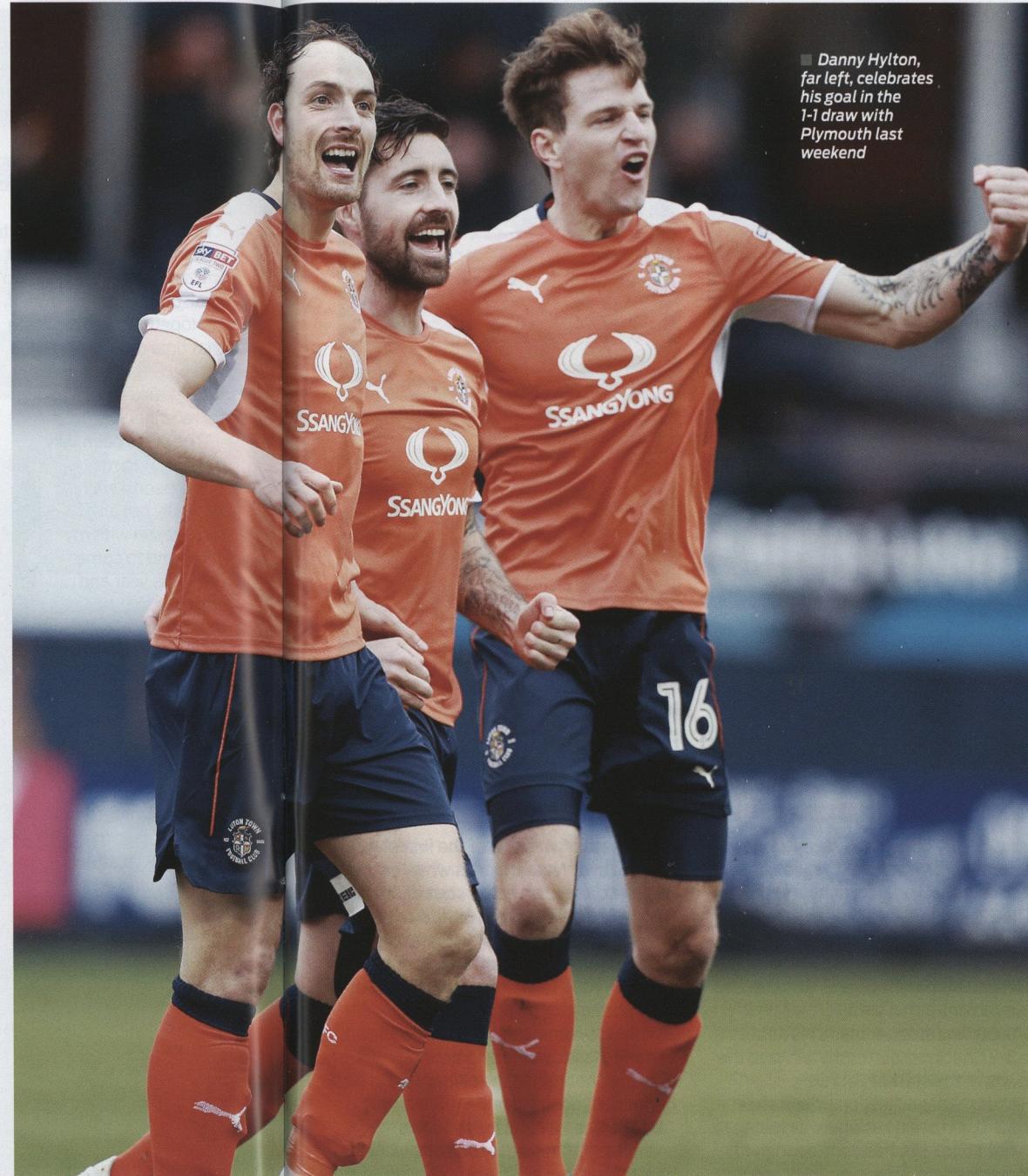
Alongside him, former Swindon Town man, Jonathan Smith, is expected to start today with winger Isaac Vassell also a likely starter. Newquay-born Vassell joined in the summer from Non-League Truro City and his efforts have seen the Hatters trigger a contract clause to keep him at the club until the summer of 2018.

The 23-year-old, who scored five times whilst on loan at Weymouth in 2014, was on target twice against the Gloves in the Checkatrade Trophy win last month.

However, undoubtedly the greatest threat in the visitors' line-up comes in the form of top-scorer, Danny Hylton, who is in menacingly good form.

He has five goals in his last five fixtures ahead of the midweek cup fixture with Oxford United, the team he turned down a contract with to join the Hatters in the summer, with 19 goals in all competitions. If Luton are to break into the top three in the business end of the season, keeping Hylton fit and firing will be crucial.

Last week, they stepped onto a new training facility, The Brache, at a leisure complex, Venue 360, in the Bedfordshire town. Manager Jones described the facilities as "fantastic."



Danny Hylton, far left, celebrates his goal in the 1-1 draw with Plymouth last weekend

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TODAY'S VISITORS

■ FANS VIEW

Name: Aaron Aspinall

Age: 22

Lives: Bath

How has the season gone, and how do you think it will end up? I've been delighted with how it's gone. We sit fifth in League Two with two months to go and we've been steady if not spectacular all year. We've never lost three games in a row; that shows the ability in the manager and the team to change things quickly if it's not working. We put together a good run of results when it has been needed and we're now only four points off an automatic spot with a game in hand. What's not to like?

Clearly then, you rate our former player and assistant manager Nathan Jones highly? Very much so. My brother is a Brighton fan and wanted him to be given the manager's job there when he was caretaking the role a while ago. That job might have come a season or two too early for Nathan but he's taken to it at Luton like a duck to water. Love his passion on the sidelines, his press conferences are never dull and he's clearly an intelligent boss too. Think if we can keep him long enough, two promotions is within his abilities.

If you could buy one other League Two player, who would it be and why? I've been really impressed with Exeter City striker Ollie Watkins this season. He's full of running, scores goals, creates for others and is still young. He'd be an excellent foil for Danny Hylton and a quality addition to an already great squad.

■ THE ONES TO WATCH



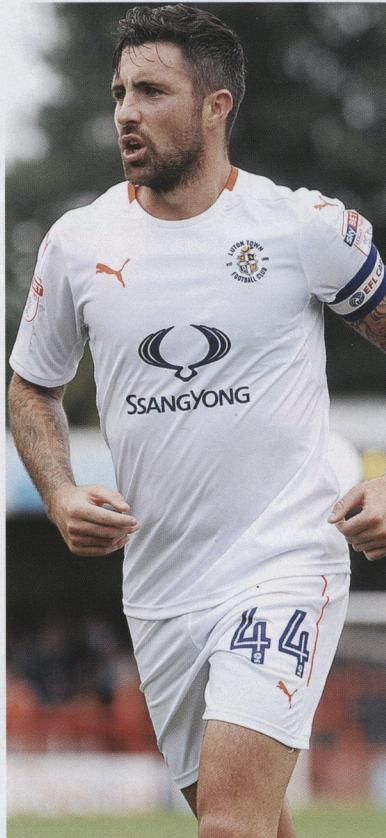
■ MATT MACEY – GOALKEEPER

West Country born Matt Macey is one of the most highly-rated young goalkeepers in the country.

The 22-year-old was brought in on transfer deadline day from Arsenal following the departure of Christian Walton to his parent club, Brighton and Hove Albion.

The 6ft 7ins stopper made his debut in the 5-2 Checkatrade Trophy win over the Grovers at the start of February.

He has managed just one clean sheet – the 3-0 win over Hartlepool United a fortnight ago – but has done enough to impress Hatters' fans.



■ ALAN SHEEHAN – DEFENDER

Alan Sheehan was one of the first players brought in by Nathan Jones when he took over at Luton Town at the start of 2016.

He joined on loan from Bradford City and scored the equaliser with a stunning strike as the Hatters earned a 1-1 draw against Yeovil Town at Kenilworth Road last February.

When his contract expired in the summer, Jones wasted no time in bringing Sheehan to the club on a permanent deal.

He has been a regular fixture this season and, if he starts today, he will also be a threat from set-pieces.

■ STAR MAN

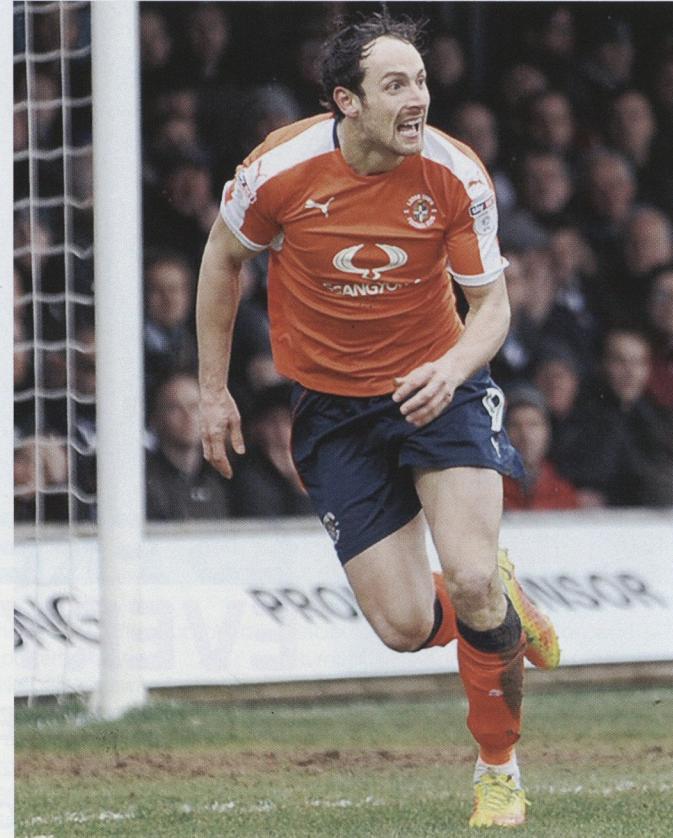


■ PELLY-RUDDOCK MPANZU – MIDFIELDER

A powerful box-to-box midfielder who is the engine room of Luton Town this season. Mpanzu is also able to play as a central defender, the position he began his career in.

He will look to make bursting forward runs from deep in midfield and his manager Nathan Jones has admitted he has to keep the youngster grounded.

He joined the then Non-League Hatters on loan from West Ham United in November 2013 and did enough to earn a permanent move and was part of the squad which earned promotion back to the League in 2014.



■ DANNY HYLTON – STRIKER

Striker Danny Hylton was a coup when he turned down a new deal with promoted Oxford United to join the Hatters in the summer.

He scored 14 times for Oxford and has already got 19 goals ahead of the Checkatrade Trophy tie with his old side. Hylton's form earned him a contract extension at the turn of the year and he will be at Kenilworth Road until 2019.

The 28-year-old, who is the visitors' first-choice penalty taker, was on the scoresheet when Luton beat the Grovers in the Checkatrade Trophy earlier this month.

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TODAY'S VISITORS

■ MANAGER FACTFILE

Full name:
Nathan Jason Jones
Date of birth: May 28, 1973
(age 43)
Place of birth:
Rhondda, Wales
Teams managed:

■ **YEOVIL TOWN**
(2009-2012 - ASSISTANT)



■ **CHARLTON UNDER-21s**
(2012-2013)

■ **BRIGHTON**
(2013-2014 - ASSISTANT)

■ **BRIGHTON**
(2014 - CARETAKER)

G: 2 W: 1 D: 1 L: 0
WIN %: 50.00

■ **BRIGHTON**
(2014-2015 - ASSISTANT)

■ **BRIGHTON**
(2015-2016 - FIRST TEAM COACH)

■ **LUTON TOWN**
(2016-PRESENT)

G: 65 W: 33 D: 15 L: 17
WIN %: 50.80

■ LAST LINE-UP

EFL Trophy Semi-Final
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■ THE MANAGER - NATHAN JONES



A manager who needs no introduction to the home supporters today.

As a player, Nathan Jones made more than 200 appearances as a Yeovil Town player as well as combining his playing duties with a role first as assistant manager to Terry Skiverton and then first-team coach under Gary Johnson.

Having left Huish Park, the Welshman made a name for himself as one of the brightest coaches in the Football League first with Charlton Athletic and then at Brighton and Hove Albion, who he played for more than 150 times during a five-year spell.

In January 2016, he was brought to Kenilworth Road following the dismissal of John Still to take his first permanent managerial job.

He took on a Hatters' side struggling in the bottom half of the League Two table having won just one match out of nine, and led them to a mid-table position last season.

During the summer, Jones was backed by the club's board to bring in players

including strikers Danny Hylton, who turned down a new deal with promoted Oxford United at the end of last season, and Isaac Vassell and experienced defender Alan Sheehan.

He has shaped a side which are among the challengers for automatic promotion going into the second half of the campaign.

Luton opened the season with a 3-0 win at table-toppers Plymouth Argyle, and a 3-1 win at home against fellow promotion rivals, Doncaster Rovers.

The 43-year-old was on the books at Luton during the early days of his playing career having joined for a £10,000 fee from Non-League Merthyr Tydfil in the summer of 1995.

However, he failed to make an appearance and ended up moving to Spain where he played for Numancia and CD Badajoz before returning to England in 1997 when he joined Southend United.

He played 99 times for the Essex club before signing for Brighton in 2000.



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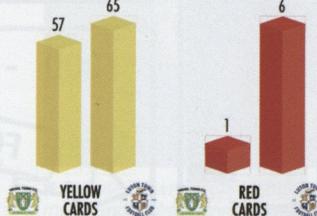
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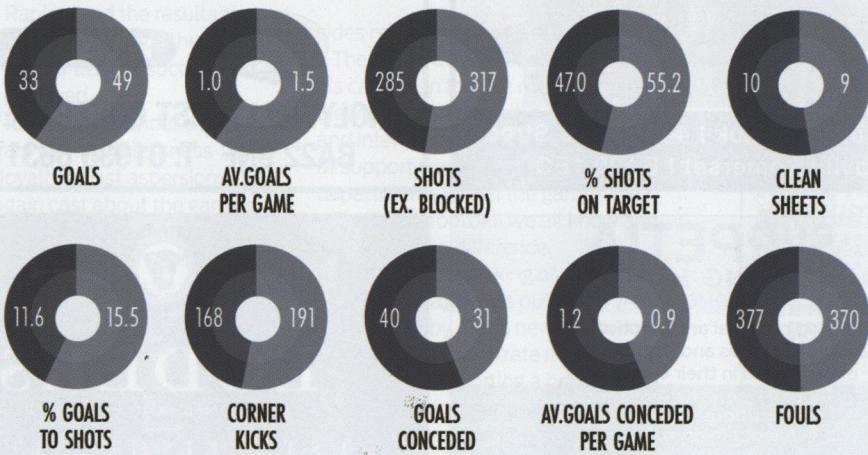
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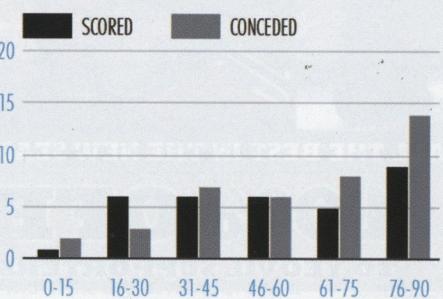


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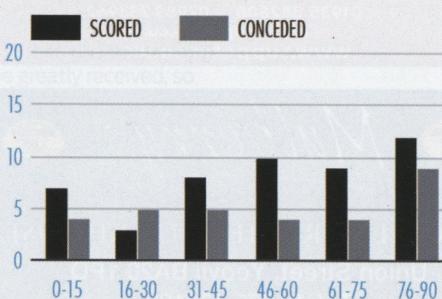
Luton have already beaten Yeovil once this season, a 5-2 victory in the Football League Trophy in February.



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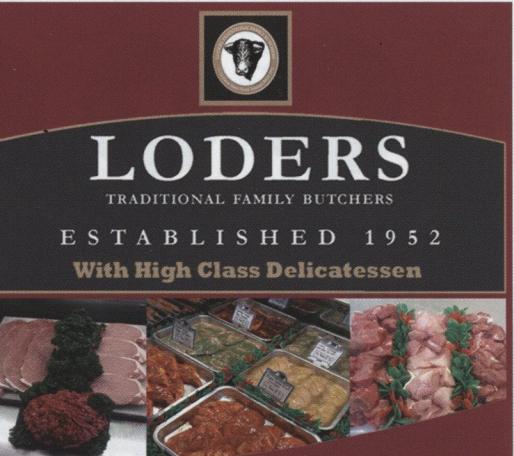
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OPINION

ALEX O'LOUGHLIN

VIEW FROM THE MEDIA



What a mixed few weeks we've had in the world of football. It's only three weeks since I penned my thoughts last time, at which point there was increasing speculation regarding Claudio Ranieri's tenure at Leicester City.

At that time, the Italian was just about to be given the dreaded vote of confidence from the Foxes board, just nine months after masterminding one of the most miraculous achievements in the game's history.

The decision to part company with the likeable Ranieri, and the resultant aftermath, all but undid all of the 'good' Leicester's Premier League success last season had achieved.

Suddenly, football was under the spotlight again for its ruthlessness and lack of loyalty whilst aspersions were once again cast about the game's detachment from reality and 'real-life'.

But, from the shadows of Ranieri's demise, football rose from the ashes of disappointment to once again demonstrate its power to do good.

This story, is how.

My counterpart at Crawley Town, a friend of mine Alex Stedman, received the devastating diagnosis of testicular cancer a little over three weeks ago.

Alex has thrown himself into his work at the Checkatrade.com Stadium before starting six weeks of chemotherapy later this month, but he has bravely and nobly set his sights on something good coming from such a negative.

Following a moving phone call from John Hartson – who himself battled testicular cancer – Alex is collating as much signed memorabilia as he can from clubs across the land to auction off for the John Hartson Foundation.

Those within the digital world of social media would've seen the heart-warming moment Alex was presented with signed merchandise by Wycombe Wanderers manager Gareth Ainsworth in the Chairboys dressing room when the two



Crawley Town media manager, Alex Stedman, right, receives signed merchandise from Wycombe Wanderers manager Gareth Ainsworth

sides met at Adams Park last weekend.

The clip of an emotional Alex starting his campaign to raise money for charity blew up, reaching both nationally and internationally with comments of support coming from all levels and departments within the game.

That's the football we all know and love; making a difference.

The heartless sacking of a Premier League manager was put into perspective by Alex's news, allowing football to demonstrate its power to do good by supporting a brave young man and a fantastic charity in the John Hartson Foundation.

We, at Yeovil, have already faced Crawley home and away but will be sending a signed shirt to Alex to help his cause.

As Alex prepares to begin his treatment I know any support we can pass on with the shirt would be greatly received, so well wishes and words of support you may wish to send on can be sent to myself either via the YTFC social media channels, email (aoloughlin@ytfc.net) or in person.

If what happens on the pitch can be heartless at times, there's no doubt football still possesses the ability it always has done to make a difference.

Everyone at Yeovil Town Football Club wishes Alex all the best and looks forward to welcoming him to Huish Park once again next season.

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■ NUMERICAL LINKS TO ALL THINGS YEOVIL

■ BY NIGEL DYSON

Those supporters of a certain vintage may remember Paul Hardcastle singing 'N-N-N-Nineteen.' It contained the lyric 'their average age was nineteen' – a reference to the young US servicemen that served in the Vietnam War. The average age of our current squad is low, but not quite that low! It is in fact around 25.

Our current number 19 is Brandon Goodship. Born fairly locally in Poole, he joined Bournemouth's academy aged just 12. Brandon had several loan spells with Non-League clubs before coming to Yeovil in February last year. He scored a vital goal against Dagenham & Redbridge later that same month, that helped to ensure Yeovil were safe from relegation. He had a further loan spell from Bournemouth to Braintree Town at the start of this season, but only made five league appearances, and Darren Way snapped up his services in the January transfer window with a permanent contract to the end of the season.

Previously the 19 shirt was worn by Tahvon Campbell. He returned to his parent club, West Bromwich Albion, and has since gone out on loan again. Those that travelled to Meadow Lane last Saturday to watch the 0-0 draw with Notts County would have seen him come on as an 84th minute substitute.

Other number 19's of the past include several players who only made the one Football League appearance, and several players who graduated from the Yeovil Town youth system to make it to the first team. A single Football League appearance was made by Chris Giles (although he made many Non-League appearances), Nathan Talbott, Dale Williams and Gavin McCallum who was selected for the last game of the regular 2006-07 season with a play-off place 'already assured, along with Tom Clarke and Craig Alcock.

McCallum and Clarke never played

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■ Former Yeovil striker Andy Kirk made 19 Football League appearances for the Givers

■ Brandon Goodship is Yeovil's current number 19

for Yeovil again, but of course Alcock went on to bigger and better things, making over 100 Football League appearances for Yeovil, before moving on to Peterborough United, Sheffield United, and his current club table-topping Doncaster Rovers. Others to have worn number 19 include Adam Virgo, Liam Davis, Joe Ralls and Iffy Allen.

No player has scored 19 Football League goals, but 19 Football League appearances have been made by Andy Kirk, Reuben Reid, Ishmail Miller and Tom Lawrence.

Andy Kirk was signed by Russell Slade, describing him as his 'fox in the box'. The Northern Ireland international signed a two and a half year contract in January 2008 from Northampton Town and scored twice in his first three games. However, he never really settled in Somerset, and finished the season with four goals from 19 appearances. He returned to Scotland when he was sold in the summer of 2008, signing a three year contract with Dunfermline Athletic.

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3. For which team does Christian Eriksen play?
4. Who wears the number three shirt for Yeovil Town?
5. Which club are known as 'The Potters'?
6. Where was Alex Lawless born?
7. Who is the President of FIFA?
8. Which club play at Prenton Park?

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WHICH NUMBER IS THE BALL HIDING BEHIND?



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■ WHICH PREMIER LEAGUE PLAYER IS BEING DESCRIBED HERE...

I was born in Lagarto, Brazil
I play for the Spanish national team
I am a striker for Chelsea

ANAGRAM

■ WHICH YEOVIL TOWN PLAYER IS WITHIN THIS ANAGRAM?
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WORDSEARCH

■ CAN YOU FIND THESE 12 STRIKERS WHO PLAY IN LEAGUE ONE?

DAVID BALL
 BILLY BODIN
 DEAN BOWDITCH

ZACH CLOUGH
 SIMON COX
 JORDY HIWULA

ALEX JONES
 PADDY MADDEN
 TOM NICHOLS

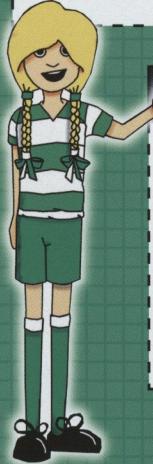
JONATHAN OBIKA
 AIDEN OBIEN
 BILLY SHARP

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■ ALPHABETICAL LINKS TO ALL THINGS YEOVIL

■ BY MARTIN MC CONACHIE

While conjuring up a few players whose names begin with 'S' for this feature, a decent team started to come together.

Quality keeper, strong defence, talented midfield and superb strikers a-plenty so here's the Yeovil's S-squad, and what a dream team it is!

Marek Stech – Czech Republic international keeper that was between the posts the season Yeovil reached the Championship and the year they were in it. Played 90 games and was a popular figure on and off the pitch, one of the best keepers ever to play at Huish Park.

Efe Sodje – a vastly experienced Nigerian international whose bandana-wearing, all action displays made him a cult hero at most of his 11 league teams. With more than 700 career games, his Huish Park highlight was scoring twice in the League Two title winning victory over Lincoln City in 2004-05.

Terry Skiverton – clocked up 18 years now with the club having arrived as a fresh faced youngster in 1999 from Welling. The most integral part of Yeovil's rise from Conference to Championship, played 383 times at centre back scoring 44 goals and also had two spells as manager of the club.

Mark Shail – a classy centre back up there with the best the club have had. The Swedish-born central defender arrived in 1988-89 and played 206 times. Left for Bristol City after five years in a £75,000 deal, always destined for better things.

Nathan Smith – the left back that loved Yeovil so much, he came back for seconds! Played 119 times for the club from 2007-2011 then rejoined in 2014 and should soon top 250 appearances in total. Moved inside to centre back in recent months with great success.

Andrejs Stolcers – more than capable on either flank, in the hole or as a striker! The Latvian came to the club in 2004-05 with a glittering CV and 81 international caps and left after one season with a



■ Marek Stech played 90 times for the Glopers

League Two winners medal and cult hero status.

Steve Stott – a quality central midfielder and at the time, one of the best in his position in Non-League. Scored regularly in a successful side and clocked up 110 games, netting 14 goals before leaving in the summer of 2000.

Ben Smith – a trainee at Arsenal in his younger days, "Smiffy" was an enigmatic midfielder who never quite lived up to his promise. Hugely talented footballer, he had the sweetest left foot around and knew how to use it.

Marcus Stewart – came to Yeovil initially on loan in 2006 but later joined permanently. A striker with Premiership experience (Ipswich & Sunderland), he was a key part of the team that reached the play-off final against Blackpool, scoring the third goal at Nottingham Forest in that unforgettable semi-final.

Adam Stansfield – played with Stewart in his final seasons at Exeter City before tragically losing his battle with cancer in 2010. A more hard working, committed young forward would be hard to find and his place in YTFC history was cemented with the second decisive goal in the FA Trophy Final win over Stevenage in 2002.

Mickey Spencer – a former PT in the Army, the Mancunian struck more than a hundred goals in Yeovil colours from 1988 to 1995, making him the fifth highest post-war scorer for the club.



■ Terry Skiverton



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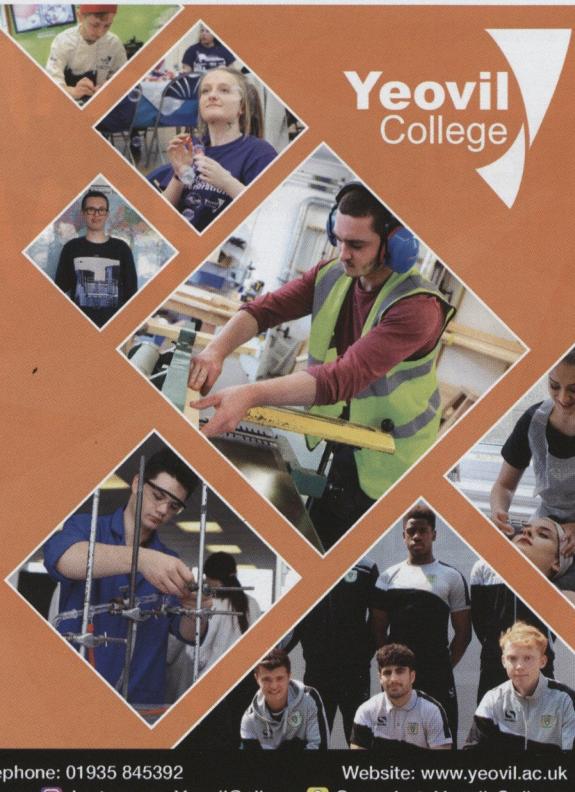
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@B_M321

Another clean sheet! Just need
to keep the fighting spirit going
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OTHER TWEETS

ALICE MILLIGAN

@1Goonster9

Good eve spent at the footy.
Appreciated the complimentary
tickets from the club for the work gang
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GUY ROUTLEDGE

@GuyRoutledge1

Decent point last night
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SHERIDAN

@SheridanRobins

Just got in from #YTFC. I'm
disappointed with another draw,
there were some good performances.
Notably @KevinDawson10 and
@ben_whitfield96

TOM SEYMOUR

@tomseym

My piece in today's Sun about
@YTFC. Cheers to
@JonnyMaddison1, @B_M321 and
@T_James123 for being interviewed!



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superb tonight! Shame you
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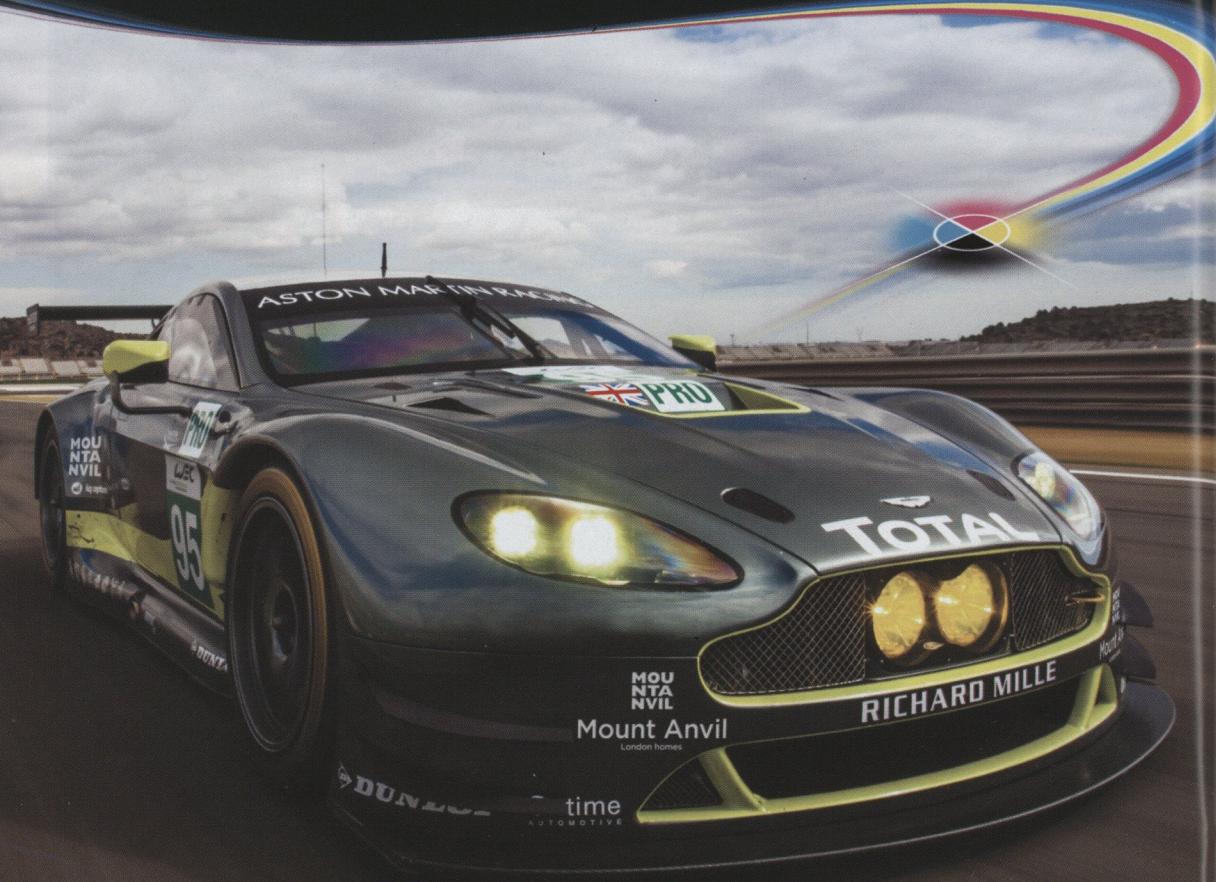
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OPINION

SHERIDAN ROBINS

VIEW FROM THE FANS



The games are coming up thick and fast and, at the time of writing, we have stopped the rot with a solid 0-0 draw away at Notts County.

Having conceded a lot of late goals in recent weeks, we should not underestimate how important keeping a clean sheet was.

The lads certainly have the ability to grind out results but I think our concentration levels need to improve.

The point at home to Cambridge United and point at home to Leyton Orient were probably the most disappointing results as I felt we had done enough to kill those teams off. But when you do not take your chances and have a momentary lapse at the back, the outcome is always going to go one way.

But I do not think all is lost this season and what better way to get back on track than by getting our own back on Luton Town who managed to put five goals past us in the last round of the Checkatrade Trophy.

It was a really tough way to go out after what was a really good cup run for us – but we just came up short. But having been to Kenilworth Road earlier in the season to see us claim a well-deserved 1-1 draw, there is no reason we cannot beat the Hatters on our own patch.

I, for one, really hope we can for a number of reasons. First of all, seeing Nathan Jones alongside Darren Way in the dugout is extremely nostalgic and I do hope we can get one over on one of our best ever left backs.

One thing which has transpired about Jonesy is that his commitment on the pitch is reflected in his management style – much like Darren Way, so it is no surprise really that he is already achieving success.

But also, I have a Luton Town fan who works in my office so I would love to get one over on my friend (well at the moment, anyway) as I certainly had a



■ Tom Eaves battles with Luton's Alan Sheehan during Yeovil's 5-2 Checkatrade Trophy defeat to the Hatters last month

few comments aimed at me after the Checkatrade result.

As well as this, Luton is very close to my hometown and although I live in Weston-super-Mare now I know a few fans who will no doubt come out of the woodwork if we lose – so I am hoping the boys can get three points just for me!

Not that I am selfish of course but to save me any embarrassment a 5-2 reverse result would not go amiss.

So, I hope you all enjoy the game and we finally get one over Yeovil legend Nathan Jones – who I of course wish all the best for the rest of the season – after 5pm today!

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COMMERCIAL CORNER

CLUB COMMERCIAL NEWS

BY DAVE LINNEY

Yeovil Town Football Club are proud to announce that we will be hosting an inter service football match between the Royal Navy and the Army – the first of its kind – at Huish Park on Wednesday, March 22 with a kick-off of 7pm.

With free entry to all, this promises to be a great night of entertainment to include pre-match music by the RNAS Yeovilton volunteer Band.

Previously The Royal Navy have played their home fixtures at either Fratton Park, Portsmouth or Home Park, Plymouth. We would like to make this a regular annual fixture here at the home of the Grovers.

Why not enjoy a free night out and join us on Wednesday March 22.

PRIVATE MEMBERS CLUB

Yeovil Town Football Club are continually striving for further commercial success and are looking for new members to join the Yeovil Town Private Members Club Scheme, which pays out £1000 of prize money each month.

Schemes such as the Private Members contribute greatly to the financial stability of this historic club, hopefully with a view to reaching greater heights.

The scheme is run each month and subscription is £10 per month and payable by standing order, cash or a cheque.

For more information on the above please contact Commercial Manager Dave Linney on 01935 847 872 or email dlinney@ytfc.net.

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- 51 - Mr M Hayward, Yeovil
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- 76 - Mr D Lee, Somerset
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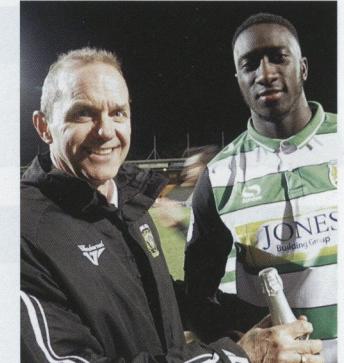
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TODAY'S MASCOTS

LEADING OUT THE GLOVERS

FINLAY CLARK

Finlay is six years old and celebrates his birthday on Monday. He supports Yeovil Town and Manchester United and his favourite players are Tom Eaves and Zlatan Ibrahimovic.



EDWARD GOULD

Edward is 12 years old and his hobbies include football, cricket and scooter riding. He supports Yeovil Town and Tottenham Hotspur and his favourite players are Francois Zoko and Christian Eriksen.



ALFIE PERKS

Alfie, who celebrates his fifth birthday today, loves football and goes to every home game at Huish Park. He supports Yeovil Town and Manchester City, like his dad and grandad, and his favourite players are Matt Dolan and Sergio Aguero.



CODY MERRETT

Cody is nine years old and his hobbies include football and playing on his PS4. He supports Yeovil Town and Liverpool and his favourite players are Nathan Smith, Philippe Coutinho and Daniel Sturridge.



ASHTON CATLEY

Ashton is ten years old and his interests include football and scootering. He plays football for Shepton Mallet Under-11s. Ashton supports Yeovil Town and Manchester United and his favourite players are Kevin Dawson and Wayne Rooney.



GEORGIANA CATLEY-DYSON

Georgiana, who celebrated her third birthday this week, likes watching Yeovil with her family, dancing to music and watching Barbie films. Her favourite players are Artur Krysiak, Bevis Mugabi and Nathan Smith.



JUNIOR GLOVERS

Junior Gloves is open to all children who are 15 years of age or under on July 31, 2016 and the annual fee is just £16.00. For that, the member receives:

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■ THE FUTURE OF YEOVIL TOWN FC

■ BY SARA BRADLEY

The Club have kindly allowed us to hold a 'Community Takeover' event at today's match, so I would like to thank everyone at Yeovil Town FC for giving us this fantastic opportunity to showcase the work that we do in the local community.

As well as our usual page here, you will have noticed a 12-page special feature in today's edition of *Green & White*, which we have put together to give you a further insight into the work that the Trust delivers under our core themes of sports participation, social inclusion, education and health.

I would like to place on record my thanks to David Coates for helping me with the planning and editorial aspects of the feature and also to Jon Hopper for his fabulous design work as always.

On the 3G today we have young people from our Footy Fives programme, Development Centres/Advanced Development Centres and Junior Premier League squads taking part in some fun training sessions.

The younger children from the above programmes will have also been taken on a behind the scenes tour and I am sure, as always, Darren will have taken the time to talk to them all and give them an insight into his and the team's preparation for match days.

Before the game, 18 children from our After School Club, Footy Fives and Development Centre programmes will be taking part in a relay on the main pitch, with the winning team getting some fantastic YTFC goodies! We are also hoping to get some of our parents to take part in some fun at half time too, so watch this space!

At half-time, Castle Cary U10s, Ashcott Buffaloes U12s and Ilminster Gladiators U13s will be making their way round on their lap of honour (so please give them a cheer) and we also welcome representatives from the Yeovil Tesco Extra Store who will be presenting the Trust



■ The winners of the Trust's pre-match entertainment will win some fabulous YTFC goodies

with a cheque for £2,000 so that we can deliver our popular Soccerlinguistics Polish Language programme to another local primary school in the area.

I would therefore like to place on record my thanks to the Yeovil Tesco Extra Store for their kind donation and support.

Lastly, I would like to thank our incredible team of staff and coaches who help make all of the above possible as well as the young people and their parents for their continued support and for making the Trust what it is today.

■ We would like to extend a warm welcome to Castle Cary U10s, Ashcott Buffaloes U12s and Ilminster Gladiators U13s who won the Yeovil & District Mini League's Respect Award in their respective age groups last season.

As part of their prize, Yeovil Town Community Sports Trust and Yeovil Town FC have invited them to enjoy a stadium tour, coaching, lap of honour at half-time as well as watching the Grovers in action this afternoon.

We hope you all have a fantastic time at Huish Park and we look forward to seeing you all again soon.

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Please Note: It is advisable to retain the token stubs on your match tickets which may be needed in the event of a cup match or a game has to be abandoned. On a matchday, tickets for other matches will only be available up until 2pm. It would be much appreciated if supporters can purchase tickets on a matchday by cash whenever possible, this would greatly reduce the queuing time.

NEXT HOME MATCH



YEOVIL TOWN v ACCRINGTON STANLEY

Sky Bet League Two

Saturday, March 18.

Kick-Off: 3.00pm.

Visit www.ytfc.net for full details.

FORTHCOMING AWAY MATCHES



MORECAMBE v YEOVIL TOWN

Sky Bet League Two

Saturday, March 11.

Kick-Off: 3.00pm.

LOCATION

Globe Arena, Christie Way, Morecambe LA4 4TB

TICKET DETAILS

Tickets available from Huish Park ticket office. **Advance admission prices -**

Adults (19-64): £21, Over-65s: £17,

Student (with valid NUS card): £17,

Under-18s: £6, Under-14s: up to three

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Departs from Huish Park at 6.45am (departs Yeovil Bus Station by request).

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BARNET v YEOVIL TOWN

Sky Bet League Two

Wednesday, March 15.

Kick-Off: 8.00pm.

LOCATION

Hive Stadium, Camrose Avenue, Edgware HA8 6AG

TICKET DETAILS

Tickets available from Huish Park ticket office. **Advance admission prices -**

Adults (21-64): £23, Over-65s: £14,

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SKY BET LEAGUE TWO TABLE – FEBRUARY 28

	P	W	HOME			AWAY			GD	PTS	
			D	L	F	A	W	D			
1	DONCASTER ROVERS	34	11	6	0	33	16	9	2	24	68
2	PLYMOUTH ARGYLE	33	9	3	5	30	23	10	2	22	62
3	CARLISLE UNITED	34	9	5	3	30	25	6	8	24	58
4	PORTSMOUTH	33	9	3	4	30	13	7	5	19	56
5	LUTON TOWN	33	8	5	4	29	19	6	7	20	54
6	EXETER CITY	34	5	4	7	23	18	11	2	32	54
7	STEVENAGE	34	8	1	8	35	28	8	3	21	52
8	MANSFIELD TOWN	34	8	6	4	27	15	5	6	16	51
9	COLCHESTER UNITED	34	10	2	4	32	21	4	6	18	50
10	GRIMSBY TOWN	34	7	4	6	22	19	6	4	21	47
11	WYCOMBE	34	9	3	4	22	14	4	5	20	47
12	CAMBRIDGE UNITED	33	6	3	8	23	24	7	4	20	46
13	BARNET	34	4	7	6	17	22	7	6	26	46
14	MORECAMBE	33	6	1	9	18	26	7	6	24	46
15	BLACKPOOL	33	5	8	3	27	18	5	6	22	44
16	CRAWLEY TOWN	33	7	3	5	20	18	5	3	10	42
17	YEOVIL TOWN	34	7	6	5	20	16	2	7	24	40
18	CHELTENHAM TOWN	34	5	6	7	21	22	4	5	17	38
19	Notts County	34	3	7	8	17	25	7	0	9	33
20	CREWE ALEXANDRA	34	5	6	6	22	19	3	6	8	33
21	ACCINGR STANLEY	32	5	6	5	22	22	3	5	8	35
22	HARLEPOOL UNITED	34	5	7	5	22	21	3	4	10	37
23	LEYTON ORIENT	34	3	1	14	15	27	5	4	21	28
24	NEWPORT COUNTY	33	2	7	7	19	26	3	4	10	27
											26

KEY: P = Games played, W = Wins, D = Draws, L = Losses, F = Goals for, A = Goals against, GD = Goal difference, PTS = Points

YTFC FIRST TEAM PLAYER STATS

	2016-17				YTFC CAREER	
	A	G	Y	R	A	G
1	Artur KRYSIAK	38	-	2	98	0
2	Liam SHEPHERD	34	-	8	60	0
3	Nathan SMITH	36	2	8	248	4
4	Matt DOLAN	36	4	5	92	8
5	Bevis MUGABI	31	1	5	31	1
6	Alex LACEY	35	2	3	60	2
7	Kevin DAWSON	38	3	13	132	8
8	Alex LAWLESS	32	-	6	32	0
9	Tom EAVES	41	7	6	48	7
10	Otis KHAN	32	7	2	32	7
11	Ryan DICKSON	29	-	2	76	3
12	Jonathan MADDISON	6	-	1	6	0
13	Francois ZOKO	29	10	4	58	18
16	Matt BUTCHER	33	1	8	33	1
17	Omar SOWUNMI	13	2	2	21	3
19	Brandon GOODSHIP	4	-	-	14	1
20	Joseph LEA	2	-	-	2	0
22	Ollie BASSETT	-	-	-	2	0
24	Owain JONES	2	-	-	2	0
26	Darren WARD	18	3	-	41	4
28	Ben WHITFIELD	33	2	-	33	2
31	Jean-Louis AKPA AKPRO	4	-	-	4	0
32	Tom JAMES	1	-	-	1	0
38	Kabongo TSHIMANGA	-	-	-	0	0
39	Shayon HARRISON	7	-	-	7	0

KEY: A = Appearances (includes sub appearances), G = Goals scored, Y = Yellow Cards, R = Red Cards

TODAY'S FIXTURES

SKY BET LEAGUE TWO

- 3.00pm kick-off unless stated
- Accrington v Barnet
- Blackpool v Morecambe
- Cambridge Utd v Colchester
- Cheltenham v Mansfield
- Crawley Town v Doncaster
- Grimsby Town v Wycombe
- Hartlepool v Exeter City
- Newport Co v Leyton Orient
- Plymouth v Carlisle United
- Portsmouth v Crewe
- Stevenage v Notts County

LEADING SCORERS	
SKY BET LEAGUE TWO	
February 28	
John AKINDE	21
Barnet	
John MARQUIS	20
Doncaster Rovers	
Matthew GODDEN	17
Stevenage	
James COLLINS	16
Crawley Town	

MOST ASSISTS

SKY BET LEAGUE TWO	
February 28	
Nicky ADAMS	15
Carlisle United	
Graham CAREY	12
Plymouth Argyle	
James COPPINGER	11
Doncaster Rovers	
Tommy ROWE	9
Doncaster Rovers	

OUTGOING PLAYERS

	A	G
Izale McLEOD	6	1
Kyle COPP	1	0
Tahvon CAMPBELL	23	2
Jack STORER	1	0
Ryan HEDGES	28	5
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LEAGUE TWO TOP FIVES

GOALS

1	AKINDE	19
2	BOGLE	19
3	MARQUIS	18
4	COLLINS	14
5	WYKE	14

ASSISTS

1	NICKY ADAMS	15
2	COPPINGER	11
3	CAREY	10
4	ROWE	9
5	ALESSANDRA	8

SHOTS ON TARGET

1	BOGLE	50
2	MARQUIS	44
3	AKINDE	42
4	COLLINS	34
5	HYLTON	33

MINUTES PER GOAL

1	BOGLE	120
2	WYKE	131
3	WHEELER	132
4	MANDEVILLE	134
5	AKINDE	137

% OF GOALS INVOLVED IN

1	BOGLE	67
2	AKINDE	55
3	COLLINS	48
4	ALEX KIWOMYA	42
5	CAREY	42

MINUTES PER CHANCE CREATED

1	NICKY ADAMS	170
2	COPPINGER	199
3	GARVAN	225
4	YUSSUF	231
5	MANDEVILLE	234

FOULS

1	AKINDE	74
2	WRIGHT	73
3	TOM EAVES	67
4	UCHE IKPEAZU	65
5	HYLTON	58

MINUTES PER GOAL CONCEDED

1	COLLIN	52
2	ROCHE	53
3	CARSON	56
4	JONES	56
5	GLENN MORRIS	56

LEAGUE TWO SPOTLIGHT

David Wheeler has scored in each of his last seven league games, scoring eight goals in total.

LEAGUE TWO SPOTLIGHT

Stevenage's Matt Godden has scored six goals in his last five league games.

*data does not include games played on February 7



SIMON WOODSELL

VIEW ON THE WORLD OF FOOTBALL

I tried hard to stop myself. I really did. Write something about how unlucky Saints were in the League Cup final I told myself. Or about German third-division side Lotte's remarkable cup run that has seen them knock out both Werder Bremen, and then Bayer Leverkusen, only to go on and face Dortmund on Tuesday night. I tried (multiple times, actually), but I failed. There's really only one subject that anybody's interested in at the moment: Leicester City.

Watching the match against Liverpool on Monday evening made for a slightly bizarre experience; I tuned in wanting them to get trounced for the way the situation surrounding Claudio Ranieri's sacking was handled. Shady meetings and rumours of player power being exercised created the impression that the whole affair was handled in entirely the wrong manner, and regardless of the evidence for and against the Italian losing his job, Leicester City have come off looking pretty bad as a result.

The Foxes earn themselves a lot of goodwill last season, and watching my social media feeds change from hostile to rooting for them during the course of the match was fascinating; just what happened?

For those 90 minutes, the Champions were back; 4-4-2, unbreakable at the back, dynamite on the counter and clinical to boot. You really could mistake it for one of their performances last season; a game plan expertly executed and one of the league's best sides dispatched with consummate ease. All the hallmarks were there. Which begs the question; why were the players not playing like that under Ranieri before he lost his job?

There's been a lot of theorising going on over the last few weeks, even before his sacking. The most common idea seems to be that the players somehow lost their motivation under the Italian coach's stewardship. I personally find this



Danny Drinkwater is mobbed by his team-mates after scoring in Leicester's 3-1 win over Liverpool last Monday

hard to subscribe to, but it depends on the mentality of the squad as a whole; a certain type of player may indeed have come to the conclusion that it was never going to happen again, so why bother?

Far more likely, in my view, is that the Foxes' tactics, so effective last season, have quite simply been found out.

Last Monday night Leicester displayed all the qualities that have been expected of them as Champions. Fight, spirit, guile and nous. They became easy to root for again. The tributes to Ranieri, while coming across as a touch disingenuous, were entirely deserved and fitting for a man who will go down in history as the mastermind of one of the greatest sporting achievements of our time.

What is less immediately clear was whether the Liverpool match was a one-off response from a group with a point to prove or a real sign that Leicester can pull themselves away from the trouble they've found themselves in with ten games to go.

The Foxes established themselves as a lot of people's second favourite club for the way they won the title in such a classy manner last year. The events surrounding the sacking of Ranieri have soured that a little, but if Leicester keep playing like they did against Liverpool, they'll likely maintain both their Premier League status and their position as everybody's favourite 'other' club.

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■ GROUND INFO

■ PITCH INVASIONS

Any supporter who encroaches the field of play during the course of the game (for any reason) will be ejected from the ground. Please note that the Football Association will impose a fine on the club if any crowd trouble is reported to them.

■ RACISM

Any supporter heard making racist comments inside Huish Park will be ejected from the ground and immediately arrested by police outside the ground.

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