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The photo was taken in 1970, during the FA Cup Final. Micky Duff was the only player to score in the final, which was a 1-0 victory for Arsenal over Liverpool.

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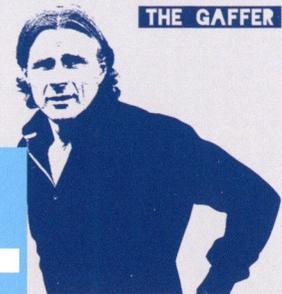


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THE GAFFER

# GARETH AINSWORTH.



GOOD AFTERNOON AND WELCOME TO ADAMS PARK FOR OUR LEAGUE 2  
FIXTURE AGAINST LUTON TOWN.

I'd like to welcome Nathan Jones, his staff and players, the directors and all the fans who have turned up here today to add to what should be a great atmosphere.

Luton have been tipped as League 2 title favourites from way before a ball was even kicked this season. Unlucky in the play-offs last year, the club has shown its intent to go one better with an array of big signings in the summer transfer window. There is no doubting this will be a tough match today, so keeping the consistency we've shown in recent weeks will be key to any success today.

The consistency I speak of has yielded a win and two draws from our last three games. Unfortunate not be three wins, definitely creating the opportunities, the big plus was the way we kept things so solid. Two clean sheets away from home is the start of our hard work paying off; conceding too many early in the season always needed attention and the boys have worked hard on being resilient and learning from the set-backs they incurred. We never lose, we learn!

Last time out here we had a brilliant first half against Forest Green Rovers. Going 3-0 was one thing, but changing the way Forest Green played, from



total football to long ball, was the biggest compliment. A kind break from the referee, allowing a clear foul in our box, enabled the visitors to get the ball in our net but we managed to see the game out very well, picking up a few minor knocks the only negative on the day but with more depth than ever before in the squad, losing players doesn't weaken us like it once did.

Next up was a solid trip to South Wales and a good 0-0 at Newport, a side that has been in very good form since the league kicked off. Once again we could well have won the game but a point and importantly a clean sheet would return with us back across the Severn Bridge. A quick turnaround from Saturday and we were on the bus again travelling to Mansfield for our Tuesday night encounter against the highly fancied Stags. Rotating the squad with tired legs and knocks will be crucial this season, and to give two full EFL debuts, alongside Josh Umerah who was starting only his second league game against another of the title

favourites might have looked risky, but when you see these players training every day, knowing what they are capable of and knowing what a culture we have here, it is far from risky.

Dan (Scarr) and Eberechi (Eze), as well as the 'more experienced' Josh, were nothing short of brilliant, all playing a part in a great performance gaining another vital point away from home. All three I'm sure will have great careers in the game, and for now it's fantastic to have them learning their trades with us in our League 2 campaign. Thanks for all the support you gave each of them and us as a team on the road recently.

Back to today then and time to build on our last game here. Please get behind all the boys out there battling away in the quarters. Nothing will be left out on that pitch; don't leave anything off the pitch!

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# INSIDE THE CAMP

By Matt Bloomfield



**T**welve points from seven games is a very solid start to the season.

After being three up against Forest Green at half time and creating countless chances, we knew that the game at Newport would be a completely different proposition. That's the best Newport team I have seen for a good few years and with the way we stepped on second half we were slightly disappointed not to have taken all three points.

We then went to Mansfield and the gaffer was able to make three changes and freshen up the team. We played out another 0-0 stalemate, but again we created chances but didn't stick them away. Two clean sheets in a row is a nice repayment for the lads who have been working so hard at the defensive side of our game.

The competition for a place in the starting 11 is the fiercest I have known in a very long time. Add on top of the squad from the last two games we have Nathan Tyson, Sam Saunders and Bayo

all looking like they might be available for today's game. Scott Kashket is working extremely hard to regain full fitness as soon as possible as well.

A massive congratulations to Ebere Eze and Dan Scarr for making their full league debuts at Mansfield on Tuesday evening. Considering Mansfield's summer investment there isn't many tougher places in League Two to make your full debut so a huge amount of credit has to go to those two lads.

Big Josh Umerah also put in another top performance in only his third league appearance for the club. These boys have added an excitement and youthful enthusiasm to the group and it's so cool to see them setting out on their professional journeys. They have so much ahead of them to achieve and we are extremely lucky that they are continuing their development at Wycombe.

We had our first development day of the season on Thursday. As you know these are regular days that we have done throughout the last three seasons. The

gaffer and Andrew Howard's belief in not only developing footballers but also developing people makes these days a vital cog in our wheel.

We were extremely lucky to have Jim Brearley along, who we worked so closely with at the RAF camp in July. Jim is an incredibly clever man who brings a huge amount of knowledge and experience surrounding teams and more importantly successful teams.

As always the lads were split into equal groups to complete a variety of challenges. The day demands that everyone has an input, from the oldest to the youngest members of the squad.

I love these days. The opportunity to challenge yourself in different circumstances in something I thrive off. Learning about ourselves and also from people like Jim to add to our football knowledge is far too good an opportunity to not embrace wholeheartedly.

*Blooms*

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# BLUES NEWS

## QUID-A-KID AT BOTH BARNET MATCHES

Wycombe Wanderers and Barnet have teamed up on a reciprocal ticket 'Quid A Kid' offer for home and away fans at both Sky Bet League 2 fixtures between the sides this season.

The Chairboys and Bees meet at Adams Park on Saturday 30th September and again at The Hive on Saturday 17th March, with all juniors aged 17 and under able to attend either or both matches for just £1 each.

The 'Quid A Kid' offer applies in all areas of the stadium for juniors aged 17 and under (a maximum of four juniors per paying adult). Tickets can be purchased in advance or on arrival at the stadium, though all adult,



senior and young adult tickets qualify for a £2 discount when bought before the day of the game at Adams Park.

An on-sale date for tickets will be announced in the very near future. Wanderers' ticket office will be selling to both home and away fans for this fixture.

## RECRUITMENT OPEN EVENING ON THURSDAY

Wycombe Wanderers are holding a recruitment open evening at Adams Park on Thursday 21st September, with a view of taking on new staff for both non-matchday and matchday positions.

Anyone looking for part-time casual work is invited to come along to Monty's bar between 6pm to 7.45pm to speak to club staff and find the role that's right for them.

Positions include waiting staff, bar staff and kiosk staff within the food and beverage operation, and matchday stewards with the stadium team.



## 500 CLUB MAKES STRONG START

Several thousand pounds has already been pledged to the 500 Club after it was launched earlier this month.

Now in its second year, the 500 Club - an idea initiated and developed by a group of supporters - aims to raise £75,000 to be spent on new players or extending the contracts of current players, having contributed to the strengthening of the squad in the last January transfer window.

Visit [500wanderers.co.uk](http://500wanderers.co.uk) to sign up today.

## LADIES SUFFER LATE HEARTBREAK

A stoppage-time winner from Wargrave's Jodie Penny denied Wycombe Wanderers Ladies their first point of the new season, as Andy McIntosh's side went down 3-2 at Lane End Playing Fields last Sunday.

After a goalless first half, Tara Woodward broke the deadlock but the visitors responded immediately with two quickfire goals from Penny and Tessa Brown.

Katie Hudson restored parity on 75 minutes but Penny struck at the death to condemn Wycombe to a second defeat from two games.

They're next in action next Sunday, travelling to Woodley United for a league match kicking off at 2pm.

## WWISC

We will be holding our AGM on Wednesday 4th October at 8:00 p.m. in The Honours Lounge at Adams Park. This is open to all WWISC members.

If you would like to book on our coach to Colchester next week please call Colin on 01494 536 270. For times and further details please check [www.wwisc.co.uk](http://www.wwisc.co.uk) or our Twitter feed @WWISC1994.

# EL-ABD

## SKIPPER DELIGHTED WITH NEWPORT SHUTOUT

WYCOMBE CAPTAIN ADAM EL-ABD EPITOMISED THE MEANING OF LEADING BY EXAMPLE WITH AN EXCELLENT PERFORMANCE AT NEWPORT COUNTY LAST WEEKEND.

**I**n a thrilling affair where the game could have gone either way, the Chairboys stood firm and shut out one of the league's top scorers, who had netted four goals in their previous home game against recently relegated Chesterfield.

The result saw the Chairboys register their first clean sheet of the season which will give the team a much needed lift ahead of a busy fixture schedule in the weeks ahead.

In a game that certainly wasn't a bore draw with both keepers in fine form, El-Abd thought that on reflection, a draw was probably a fair result.

"For the supporters it was a good game to watch," he said speaking after the game.

"It certainly wasn't dull as there was lots of chances with some good football played at times, and it was very much end-to-end where either team could have won it.

"So I think a point was a good result on reflection as Newport are a good side and they are going to cause teams lots of problems this season, so we will take it and move on."

The defence has come in for some criticism in the opening weeks of the season which El-Abd and co have had to take on the chin whilst working immensely hard to keep the goals out.

Wanderers were desperately unlucky to concede in a dominant 3-1 win against Forest Green Rovers in their last home fixture; as Christian Doidge pulled one back for the Green Devils in the second half after Gareth Ainsworth's men had stormed into a three-goal lead at the break.

Those in attendance that day, and those that travelled to Newport County a week later could see a strong partnership blossoming between Anthony Stewart and the Egyptian, which it is hoped will only grow stronger in the months ahead.

With competition for places after Dan Scarr put in a faultless performance in his EFL debut in midweek, Adam feels the confidence of the back-line will only grow stronger now that the first, and now second clean sheet is out of the way.

"It feels good to have that first clean sheet of the season under our belts," he added.



"It has been coming because we have been working very hard in training on our defensive work and to eradicate errors.

"We came very close to getting it against Forest Green, where I think we deserved one because we dominated that day.

"But we've got it now, and although I would prefer a 2-1 or 3-1 win it is a massive positive for us and we'll be looking to kick on now full of confidence."

# THE MILESTONE MEN

**I**t was a momentous night in the careers of both Joe Jacobson and Dan Scarr in the midweek 0-0 draw at Mansfield Town.

For Jacobson, an ever-present in the Chairboys line-up over the last three years and a crucial cog in the Ainsworth machine in that time, the game marked his 400th professional appearance in the game as he led the team out at the One Call Stadium.

In a career that started at Cardiff City and continues at Adams Park with spells at Bristol Rovers, Oldham, Accrington, Shrewsbury in between, the defender has established himself as one of the top full-backs in the division, with his wand of a left foot putting many teams to the sword.

Reflecting on his achievement, Jacobson says he feels as good as he has ever felt, and is hoping to make a few more memories in the famous blue quarters.

"It is always nice to hit little milestones like that, although it does perhaps show my age," the 30-year-old joked.

"This is definitely one of the most enjoyable spells of my career, and it is nice to be settled somewhere.



"Sometimes you spend a year or two at a club and it doesn't always go to plan but here I feel like I am really settled.

"I've bought a house close by and I am really enjoying living in the area and hopefully I can play here for a long time to come.

"I feel good, I feel like this is probably the best I have felt in my career in terms of my body; I feel fit, I feel healthy so I don't see why I can't keep going for a good while longer."

Now to a player starting out in the professional game, having shined in the non-league for Stourbridge in recent years. Dan Scarr is a player many Chairboys fans know having given us one hell of a scare in the FA Cup third round last season.

His shining displays for the midlands club caught the attention of local big boys Birmingham City, who signed the 22-year old on a two-year deal last summer. After making a good start to life for the Blues in the Under-23s, the defender moved to Adams Park to gain a taste of first team football in the EFL.

With his family in attendance, the tall centre-back was handed his debut by Gareth Ainsworth at Mansfield, and he grabbed it with

both hands with a totally flawless display, helping the team to a clean sheet and nearly grabbing the winner, but for the heroics of Stags keeper Conrad Logan in the first half.

Reflecting on the night, Scarr said it was a proud moment for him and his family and is hoping to make further contributions in his four-month loan spell.

"I really enjoyed it," he said.

"It was a bit rougher out there than the 23's football I am used to but that is what I am here for and I was happy with my performance.

"With a clean sheet you can't really ask for a better debut, and the lads have welcomed me into that back four and made it easy for me to settle in straight away.

"I thought we played really well and I thought we were unlucky not to come out with the three points.

"My family were there to see the game, they travel everywhere to see me and no doubt they'll even be going up to Carlisle to watch me.

"It was great that they could be there to see my EFL debut and hopefully I can put in a couple more performances like that and make them proud."

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THIS AFTERNOON WE WELCOME OUR CHARITY PARTNER,  
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Walk the MS Mile is the Chilterns MS Centre's largest annual awareness and fundraising event. Since its inception in September 2015, it has raised £91,500 for the club's charity partner and doubled the number of referrals received from people affected by multiple sclerosis (MS). They are staging five walks across the local area throughout this September - the High Wycombe walk is taking place today.

Amanda Freedman will be taking part in her local Walk the MS Mile down at the Rye; she will be kicking off the walk as the game kicks off at Adams Park. "I was diagnosed with MS two years ago. I first found out about how the Centre could help me when I spotted their gazebo during the first Walk the MS Mile in 2015. I went over and spoke to one of the Centre's members; she was the first person I had spoken to who also had MS

"It is hard to describe just how good it felt to speak to someone that had been through the same shock of being diagnosed with MS as me. I have received so much good advice from the Chilterns MS Centre; the place is full of really friendly staff and brilliant volunteers and is a very upbeat and cheery place to visit. I've made lots of friends who can relate to what I'm going through".

The hundreds of people that have walked a mile for WWFC's charity partner have helped it deliver over 2,600 hours of treatment to individuals like Amanda who rely on the Centre. Wanderers' partnership with the Chilterns MS Centre grants access for its players to the hyperbaric oxygen chamber at the Centre, which has helped to accelerate the recovery from injury of a number of Chairboys stars.



The Centre helps its members gain greater control over their MS, empowering them to lead happy and healthy lives and providing support their carers. Although it costs the charity £1m to meet the needs of people with multiple sclerosis in the local community, it receives less than 10% of its funding from the NHS so fundraising events like Walk the MS Mile are vital. Such events also raise awareness of the Centre and its services, helping them to reach out to more people with MS, just like it did for Amanda.

MS is an unpredictable, often disabling disease that causes a wide range of symptoms including difficulties with mobility, balance, impaired vision, fatigue and bowel and bladder problems. Living with MS can be tough but many symptoms can be treated with physio, hydro, oxygen, complementary and occupational therapies. As well as therapies, the Centre also runs social, art and gardening groups as it understands the need to support the social and emotional wellbeing of its members

too. This type of regular and long term treatment and care is not available on the NHS.

Many people with MS are unable to take part in physical sponsored challenges. Walking a mile - or using a walking frame or a motorised wheelchair to do so - is something many people can and are pleased to do. You can still be part of the event success by joining the Aylesbury Walk at 10am or the Marlow walk at 3pm on 23rd September.

Register for just £5 online at [www.walktheMSmile.org](http://www.walktheMSmile.org) or show your support to this local, independent charity that helps people from across Bucks, Beds, Herts and beyond by texting to donate now - WWFC05 £5 to 70070 to make a £5 donation.

Volunteers, members and staff from the Centre will be back at Adams Park after Christmas but if you would like to find out more about their work and how you could help visit [www.chilternmscentre.org](http://www.chilternmscentre.org).

# MOTTY'S MAGIC MOMENT

A FAMOUS IMAGE FROM ADAMS PARK'S HISTORY REAPPEARED LAST WEEK

**T**he announcement last week that John Motson is to leave the BBC at the end of his 50th year in broadcasting brought about a whole catalogue of memories from his time in the game, with

particular attention paid to a photo of him at a snow-swept Adams Park in 1990.

Nine years ago, 'Motty' was asked by then-programme editor Alan Parry to tell that story, for an

article in the edition for a fixture with Barnet. Motty duly delivered, sending his notes – written on a typewriter – via the post, and we felt this was an opportune moment to republish them here in full:

The sun was shining on a pale winter's morning as I left my home in St Albans and cruised round the M25 and A40. As I turned off the big roundabout just outside Wycombe, it started to snow, and by the time I reached the smart new stadium down the valley, there was a light covering on the ground.

Between my arrival at around 10 o'clock, at the interview I was scheduled to do with Wycombe manager Martin O'Neill for Football Focus at half past twelve, that light covering became a drift.

The referee arrived around midday and promptly called the game off.



One Saturday in December marked the anniversary of the day that quite inadvertently changed my career. In fact, it took just a few seconds for a chance photograph to do just that – and it happened at Adams Park.

The second round of the FA Cup that season paired Wycombe Wanderers – then of the GM Vauxhall Conference – with Peterborough United, who were pushing for promotion from the old Football League Division Four.

Earlier that year, I had been the BBC commentator on England's World Cup semi-final against Germany in Turin, but Italia 90 was a distant memory as I prepared my notes on two clubs whose players were somewhat less familiar.



The Grandstand editor told me to stand O'Neill down – as there was to be no game – face the camera myself and explain the reason for the sudden postponement.

What I did not know, as I stood in my sheepskin coat holding a microphone and huddled against the cold, was that an enterprising young photographer named Stuart Clarke was standing with his camera just behind the BBC crew who were facing me.

I delivered my piece to Grandstand without ever knowing he was there, until a few weeks later when he sent me a copy of the picture and asked my permission to use it in an exhibition of his work entitled "The Home Of Football".

A few years later, Stuart produced a wonderful series of postcards depicting typical scenes from football grounds. He sent me so many copies of "Reporting From The Ground; Wycombe Wanderers 1990" that I still use them as Christmas cards.

Quite why the photograph did more for me than Gazza's tears a few months earlier, I will never know. But it made me synonymous with sheepskin coats, for which I will always be more recognisable than for any of my commentaries!

I wish I had a few quid for every time somebody has asked me "where were you when they took that picture in the snow?". Things have certainly moved on since then, not just for me, but for Wycombe Wanderers and for Martin O'Neill.

## The transcript of Motty's famous broadcast

"Well I'm afraid that Mark West and Martin O'Neill are going to have to wait a few days longer if they are going to add another chapter to Wycombe's famous cup history, because as you can see, this part of Buckinghamshire is absolutely snow-bound. There's a bit of a gale hurtling around me as well. This has all happened – would you believe – in the last hour-and-a-half; when I got here at around half past ten the prospects seemed pretty good. I'm quite certain that when the game is played on Wednesday, Peterborough will still have their hands full, but I hope it's a bit warmer."

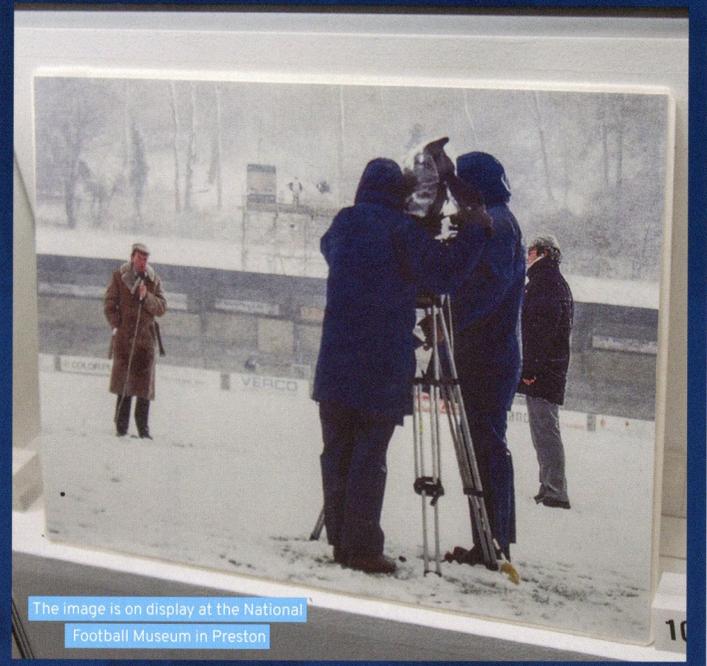
## The tale from the photographer

It was the FA Cup Round 2 in December 1990, in the days before wall-to-wall TV football coverage.

John Motson was getting in place to present a live piece for BBC Grandstand at non-league Wycombe, where there could be the day's 'giant-killing'. I was arriving by car when snow swept in across the Chilterns. Parked-up, instead of going to the office to get my press pass, I instinctively sneaked a look at the green pitch turning rapidly white and saw John all set to broadcast.

I prised open the 'Exit' gate and sneaked in to get the photograph. Four plus one people were in the ground at that point. Another turning into a snowman up a TV gantry.

John claims that his now famous sheepskin coat was not well-known prior to this moment and that the still photograph I took helped to make him a household name – indeed he uses it on his business cards (you may have one).





By Nicholas Tunney

## NICK'S NATTER



GOOD AFTERNOON EVERYONE AND WELCOME TO THIS AFTERNOON'S CLASH WITH LUTON TOWN IN WHAT PROMISES TO BE A TITANIC TUSSE.

**I**t has been a superb week for Wanderers in my opinion. Two draws from two very tricky away games in three days speaks volumes about the character of the squad.

I was at Newport last Saturday and after a bright start by the home side, Wanderers coped extremely well with everything thrown at them, led by skipper Adam El-Abd.

The second half was a different story and Gareth's men had three brilliant opportunities to win it but a combination of superb goalkeeping, desperate defending and profligate finishing saw the Blues pick up a point - a deserved one at that.

You could sense Gareth's slight frustration speaking to the media afterwards. He was himself delighted with what he saw but felt the boys edged it and a winner would have been merited.

Onto Mansfield on Tuesday and an arguably trickier test awaited the Chairboys. I unfortunately wasn't at Field Mill but hearing the reports it sounded like Wanderers were dominant in the first half but denied by Stags keeper Conrad Logan.

Gareth handed a first start to QPR loanee Ebere Eze and it sounded as if the youngster was weaving his magic during the game. He came on at Newport for the last 11 minutes and produced one of the best cameos I have seen for a long time. His class on the ball shone through and he oozed confidence.



He really had the County defenders all over the place and makes the game look easy. He is certainly blessed with a lot of talent and he could be a real gem for the side this season.

After such a free-scoring start to the season, having drawn a blank in the last two matches, I can safely say it wasn't for the lack of chances created. A bit more luck and composure and it would have been six points instead of two.

What will greatly please the manager is the fact they have produced two clean sheets against two dangerous sides and that is a recipe for not losing games. Certainly in the last three games,

the defence and Scott Brown have been superb and I would expect Wycombe to find their shooting boots once again.

Today's opponents Luton will undoubtedly produce another very tough match. They are one of the favourites for promotion and reached the play-off semi-finals last season. The likes of Danny Hylton and James Collins are two of the best players in the division and it will be a heck of a test for the defence again but I do fancy Wycombe to create and convert their chances so I am going for a 2-1 win.

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ME AND MY WYCOMBE

## CALLUM JEFFERIES



### WHERE DO YOU SIT?

Either in the terrace or on the halfway line in the Origin Family Stand.

### WHO DO YOU COME TO GAMES WITH?

Sometimes I come with friends, but mostly watch the games with my dad.

### HOW LONG HAVE YOU BEEN A SUPPORTER?

I have been coming to games for over a decade now, since I was 5. Haven't looked back since!

### WHAT MADE YOU FIRST START COMING TO MATCHES?

My dad took me to games when I was a lot younger, introducing me to everything Wycombe Wanderers. His passion for the club encouraged me to follow the Chairboys, feeling the highs and lows together on our journey as fans.

### WHAT WAS YOUR FIRST MATCH AS A FAN?

Not sure of the opponent, but I vividly remember Nathan Tyson scoring. 12 years on and Tyson is still thriving playing off a big man! (Bayo now, but Tommy Mooney cannot be forgotten)

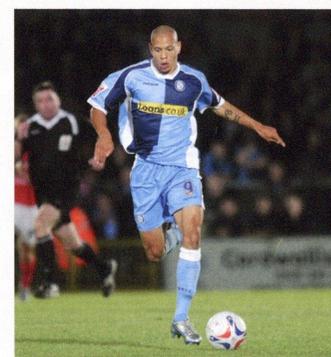


### WHAT HAS BEEN YOUR FAVOURITE MOMENT SUPPORTING THE CLUB?

Hard to pick one memory as I have experienced so many great ones, but the one that sticks out most is Spurs away in the FA Cup 4th round. Time seemed to stand still when Hayes volleyed in our direction, later in our corner of White Hart Lane.

### WHO'S THE BEST PLAYER YOU'VE SEEN DURING YOUR TIME AS A FAN?

Alfie Mawson gets my vote. Not only was he a superb defender, but he loved a goal too. One that I can picture perfectly is the goal away at Kenilworth Road. Took on a couple of their men, played a simple one-



two and rifled it home. Surely can't be too long now until he's called up for the England squad?

### WHO'S BEEN YOUR FAVOURITE PLAYER TO WEAR THE QUARTERS AND WHY?

Sergio Torres. Having met him personally, I had a special affinity with him as he was likeable and charismatic on and off the pitch. Matty Phillips also deserves an honourable mention, and it is brilliant to see him doing his thing in the Premier League.

### TELL US A FUNNY STORY FROM YOUR TIME SUPPORTING THE CLUB?

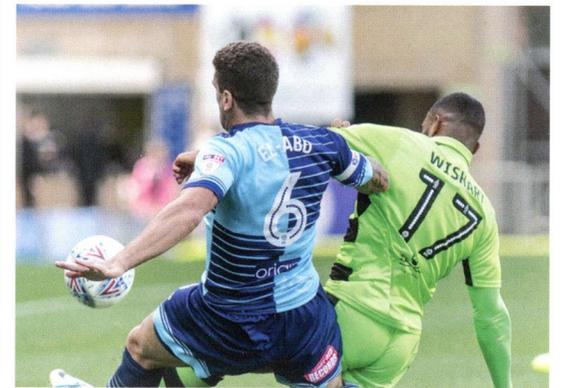
When I was in the under 8's for my local team I got the chance to take a penalty on the pitch. I scored it, and I went on to celebrate in front of the away fans, however with a mixed reception. Laughs, jeers, applause and several expletives featured in their reactions!

### WHAT DOES THE CLUB MEAN TO YOU?

I love Wycombe Wanderers, and the club has been a massive part of my life. Whether it be football courses, going to games, meeting players or public events, I have thoroughly enjoyed my time as a supporter, making lots of friends along the way. The way Gaz is leading WWFC is typical of the man, dedicating absolutely everything for the team, fans and ultimately the club, just as he did on the pitch for us.

### DESCRIBE WYCOMBE WANDERERS IN THREE WORDS:

Always surprising me.



**BLUES CATCH-UP**

	<b>WYCOMBE</b>	<b>3</b>
	<b>FOREST GREEN</b>	<b>1</b>



# MATCH REPORT.

SATURDAY 9TH SEPTEMBER 2017  
Rodney Parade | Sky Bet League Two  
Attendance: 3,752



 NEWPORT 0  
 WYCOMBE 0

## THE TEAMS

**Newport:** Day, Pipe, Demetriou, White, Butler, Willmott (Owen-Evans 84), Labadie (Cole 44), Dolan, Rigg (Tozer 72), Nouble, Amond.

**Subs not used:** Bittner, Bennett, Quigley, Jahraldo.

**Wycombe:** Brown, Harriman, Stewart, El-Abd, Jacobson, O’Nien, Gape (Bean 65), Bloomfield (Eze 79), Mackail-Smith, Cowan-Hall, Umerah.

**Subs not used:** Richardson, Jombati, Scarr, Freeman, Southwell.

## MATCH STATS



0	GOALS	0
52	POSSESSION	48
14	SHOTS	15
5	SHOTS ON TARGET	6
9	CORNERS	5
12	FOULS	9



Wanderers were unfortunate not to leave Rodney Parade with all three points after a strong second-half display against Newport County.

Wycombe had to ride an early storm as County began well but Gareth Ainsworth’s men went on to dominate spells, particularly after the break, with Josh Umerah and Craig Mackail-Smith coming agonisingly close to scoring their first goals for the club.

Ainsworth made one enforced change to his starting line-up, with Adebayo Akinfenwa missing out after collecting an injury in the latter stages of the excellent 3-1 win over Forest Green the previous week, with Josh Umerah coming in for his full league debut.

Scott Brown made a couple of smart stops to deny Pdraig Amond either side of the half, before Blues cranked up the pressure after the hour-mark. Umerah saw his header for a corner expertly saved by Joe Day, and the County keeper would soon follow that up with another to deny Mackail-Smith on the turn.

Anthony Stewart saw his header cleared off the line, and then Mackail-Smith had a golden opportunity to break the deadlock on 63 minutes when Umerah tore away down the right and delivered a sublime early cross behind the defensive line but his team-mate could only sweep it wide of the near post with only the keeper to beat.

Wycombe continued to press but

## TOP TWEETS



**Anthony Stewart (@A\_Stewart\_5):**  
Good point on the on roads, buzzing to get our first clean sheet of the season! Safe journey home to the travelling fans!



**Scott Brown (@Scotty\_brown85):**  
Good point and clean sheet but could have been all 3! @Adam\_EL\_ABD and @A\_Stewart\_5 absolutely brilliant!



**Marcus Bean (@MarcusBean):**  
Good point and clean sheet. Everyone put in a real shift! It was most definitely not a bore draw.



## WHAT THEY SAID:

*“CHANCES WISE, I THINK WE HAVE EDGED THE GAME; SCOTT (BROWN) HAS HAD TO MAKE A GOOD SAVE IN THE FIRST HALF AND A FANTASTIC SAVE IN THE SECOND HALF, BUT THEIR KEEPER WAS THE BUSIER ONE TODAY.” –*

**GARETH AINSWORTH, WYCOMBE MANAGER**

*“BY THE END, WE ARE PROBABLY GRATEFUL THAT WE DIDN’T LOSE. WE KEPT A CLEAN SHEET AND THERE ARE SOME POSITIVES, WE ARE MOVING IN THE RIGHT DIRECTION.” –*

**MICHAEL FLYNN, NEWPORT COUNTY MANAGER**

could not find a winner and left South Wales with a point, extending their unbeaten run on the road and registering their first clean sheet of the season in the process.

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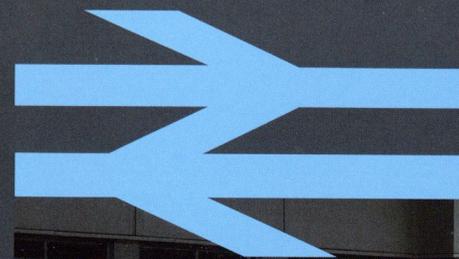
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# AWAY DAYS REVIEW

By Jonny King



## NEWPORT COUNTY

Saturday 9th September 2017

**When I was about eleven, my mum made me go to a party at a colleague's house, the sole purpose of which was to show off the new carpet they had recently had put down. Sounds boring? It was. Once the initial excitement of seeing the shag pile making its debut had died down, the adults took to eating Magic Moments and talking about the handover of Hong Kong and I remember thinking that when I grew up, I would never allow myself to suffer such pointless social events.**

Twenty years later, I found myself on a train to Wales, to meet up with some friends for a few drinks and admire Newport County's newly-laid playing surface.

In previous seasons, Newport games had suffered from a pitch that was part beach part mudswamp. If Time Team had ever had a poke around in there, they'd probably have found half a dozen players who'd been swallowed up by it during games. However, Rodney Parade now boasts a state of the art £750,000 Desso pitch and hundreds of Wycombe fans had

accepted the invitation to come and marvel at it.

Arriving in Newport to annoyingly indecisive weather, I headed to the St Julian Inn, where I met a small party of my comrades from the Independent Supporters Club. A decent meal and a self-guided tour through the ale selection later, we boarded the minibus and headed to the ground, which we eventually reached in spite of Colin's directions.

I wasn't thrilled at paying £20 to watch League Two football, but at least there was no on-the-day increase and the stewards at the turnstiles were friendly and polite. The earlier showers finally gave way to bright sunshine as the two teams came out onto the new Supergrass - the Newport PA guy missing an obvious trick with the music. The pitch did indeed look good and I half expected my mum to be stood on the side, making the players take their boots off before she allowed them to walk out on it.

The visiting fans were accommodated in one half of the Bisley Stand, which offered a good,

unobstructed view of the pitch, but did mean we had the sun in our eyes for the entire afternoon. There were 302 Wycombe fans in the 3,752 crowd, yet the atmosphere seemed oddly muted, with neither set of supporters making a sustained amount of noise. Unfortunately, the heat took its toll on a couple of Wycombe fans and credit to the stewards and St John Ambulance team, who dealt with the two incidents quickly and professionally.

Both teams had made a good start to the season and in just six months, Newport-born Mike Flynn has turned County into a much better side than the one that he led to a dramatic escape from relegation on the final day of last season. The hosts were the better side in the first half, with Scott Brown making several fine stops and Dominic Gape picking up an early booking after spilling red wine on the Desso. However, the Blues came out stronger in the second half, creating several good chances that Joe Day did extremely well to keep out. Newport will perhaps have been happier with the 0-0 draw than us, but in reality either side could have won it and most Wycombe fans seemed happy with the point and a welcome first clean sheet of the season.

A good day out and much more fun than that carpet party, which would have been way better if we'd all just played football on the new floor covering - which I seem to recall is exactly the same argument I made back then.

Thanks for having us Newport. We hope we'll be invited back.

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# MATCH REPORT.

TUESDAY 12TH SEPTEMBER 2017  
One Call Stadium | Sky Bet League Two  
Attendance: 2,938



 MANSFIELD	0
 WYCOMBE	0

## THE TEAMS

**Mansfield:** Logan, Bennett, Pearce, Mirfin, Hunt, Butcher (Potter 62), Mellis (Atkinson 45), Byrom, MacDonald (Anderson 45), Hemmings, Angol.

**Subs not used:** Olejnik, Diamond, Spencer, Rose.

**Wycombe:** Brown, Harriman, Stewart, Scarr, Jacobson, Bean, O'Nien (Bloomfield 74), Gape, Eze, Mackail-Smith (Cowan-Hall 69), Umerah (Southwell 83).

**Subs not used:** Richardson, Jombati, El-Abd, Freeman.

## MATCH STATS

 0	GOALS	0	
50	POSSESSION	50	
7	SHOTS	15	
3	SHOTS ON TARGET	5	
4	CORNERS	8	



## TOP TWEETS



**Dan Scarr (@D\_Scarr):**  
Very happy with my league debut! Great to get a clean sheet and unlucky not to come away with 3 points! Fans were class again!



**Joe Jacobson (@joe\_jacobson):**  
Good point away at one of the promotion faves. Credit to all those who travelled in these conditions. Nice to have hit 400 career games too!



**Marcus Bean (@MarcusBean):**  
Another good performance on the road. Probably deserved all 3 points! Some of the expletives coming from home dressing room confirmed that.

## WHAT THEY SAID:

*"WE COULD HAVE WON IT, WE MAYBE SHOULD HAVE WON IT, BUT 0-0 AWAY AT MANSFIELD IS A GREAT RESULT FOR A TEAM OF THEIR SIZE."* –

**GARETH AINSWORTH,  
WYCOMBE MANAGER**

*"WE DIDN'T PLAY WELL TONIGHT, WE CAN'T DISGUISE THAT FACT. WE WORKED HARD, WE DIDN'T WORK SMART. WE DIDN'T GET ON THE BALL WITH ANY PURPOSE AT ANY STAGE."* –

**STEVE EVANS,  
MANSFIELD TOWN MANAGER**

Wycombe made it back-to-back clean sheets with a 0-0 draw at Mansfield Town and continued their unbeaten run on the road.

Like the draw at Newport, the Chairboys left the One Call Stadium having created good chances to snatch all three points, amidst wet and swirling conditions against a strong Stags side.

Gareth Ainsworth made three changes for this one, handing an EFL debut to Dan Scarr and a full debut to Ebere Eze, with Marcus Bean also coming into the side in place of Adam El-Abd, Paris Cowan-Hall and Matt Bloomfield respectively.

Mansfield's biggest chance went

to Lee Angol in the opening couple of minutes; peeling off his marker and finding space in the box before connecting with a low cross which Scott Brown sprung across to his left to tip behind.

The Chairboys grew into the game, and would be left scratching their heads as to how they did not take the lead after 20 minutes as Conrad Logan denied Scarr, Bean and then O'Nien in quick succession in the Stags goal.

An injury to referee Rob Lewis saw him replaced by fourth official Michael D'Aguilar, as Assistant Alf Greenwood came into the middle. That stoppage in play came at the wrong time for the Chairboys who

were enjoying a dominant spell, and allowed Mansfield to regroup and get to the half level.

As the conditions worsened in the second half, chances were few and far between. Craig Mackail-Smith rolled his marker superbly just before the hour-mark but saw his effort go over the bar in what was Wycombe's best chance of the half.

0-0 it finished against the pre-season promotion favourites and the Chairboys certainly showed that they have what it takes to compete with the big boys this season.

# SETTING THE SCENE.

A look ahead to the next 90 minutes



**F**rom a goalscoring frenzy to successive goalless draws, Wanderers continue to make impressive progress at the beginning of their journey along the 2017/18 season – though succeeding in their next challenge could be the most notable scalp of all.

Twelve times Wycombe have attempted to defeat Luton Town at Adams Park, and twelve times they've been unsuccessful. The Hatters' long unbeaten stretch in south Bucks stretches back to September 1996, when Wannabe by the Spice Girls sat top of the UK singles charts.

Some of Wanderers' squad weren't even alive at the time, and historic records such as that should have no bearing on the 90 minutes that lie ahead, although the modern day Hatters outfit should in theory be as strong as any that Wycombe

have faced in those dozen previous encounters.

Boss Nathan Jones has been handed an enviable budget, aided by the sales of several key players during his tenure, and with that comes the burden of expectation of automatic promotion, having come agonisingly close to reaching the play-off final at the end of last season.

In order to go one better this time around, they'll need more performances like the one that saw them thrash Yeovil 8-2 on day one, and fewer like the one that contributed to a 3-0 home loss to Swindon a week ago. They made amends with a midweek victory over struggling Port Vale, but will expect a tougher test at Adams Park this afternoon.

Adebayo Akinfenwa denied them all three points on their last visit with a late equaliser in their 1-1 draw in January, and he could return to the

Wycombe side this afternoon after missing the 0-0 draws at Newport and Mansfield due to injury.

A clinical edge was all that was missing in excellent away performances which saw Gareth Ainsworth's men secure their first clean sheets of the season, with Anthony Stewart's recovery from injury adding extra resolve alongside superb displays from Adam El-Abd and Dan Scarr.

Ainsworth is left with a selection dilemma in all areas of the pitch this afternoon – for all the right reasons – but with the cheers still echoing round the walls following the magnificent performance against Forest Green in their last home game, the Blues have every reason to be confident of collecting another three points today.

## HEAD-TO-HEAD

Wycombe's four wins over the Hatters have all come at Kenilworth Road,

WYCOMBE WANDERERS VS LUTON TOWN

SATURDAY 16th SEPTEMBER 2017  
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while Town have 10 victories in total over the Chairboys, including one in the FA Cup in 2004.

Four of the last five league meetings at Adams Park have ended all-square, with only five goals being scored at either end.

## CONNECTIONS

Craig Mackail-Smith meets his former employers, having left Kenilworth Road in the summer, while Michael Harriman also spent a year on loan with Luton in 2014/15.

Luton keeper Marek Stech had a short loan spell with the Chairboys in 2009, while Olly and Elliot Lee are both sons of former Wanderer Rob Lee.

## AROUND THE DIVISION

League leaders Exeter will look to continue their fine start at home to a Crewe side that slipped up against Cambridge in midweek, while Notts County hope to remain on the coat-tails of the Grecians and will be fancied to take all three points from Crawley.

Accrington in third suffered a surprise loss to Grimsby on Tuesday but could bounce back with a win at struggling Chesterfield, while Coventry's rise up the table has gone relatively un-noticed but could continue with a positive result at Cambridge.

Wycombe's next opponents Colchester are away to a Cheltenham side who are in need of quick points, sitting just clear of the bottom two clubs Port Vale and Forest Green, who go head-to-head at Vale Park.

Lincoln take on Mansfield in the early 1pm kick-off, while Grimsby boss Russell Slade meets a former club in Yeovil at Blundell Park.

## TODAY'S ODDS

At the time of writing, Luton were Sky Bet's favourite to win the game with odds of 5/4, while Wycombe are priced at 21/10, with the draw at 12/5.

Craig Mackail-Smith is 9/4 to score at any time against his former club, or you can get 15/2 on Michael Harriman to do the same.



## TODAY'S FIXTURES

ALL 3PM UNLESS STATED

	CAMBRIDGE UNITED VS COVENTRY CITY	
	CARLISLE UNITED VS BARNET	
	CHELTHENHAM VS COLCHESTER UNITED	
	CHESTERFIELD VS ACCRINGTON STANLEY	
	CRAWLEY TOWN VS NOTTS COUNTY	
	EXETER CITY VS CREWE ALEXANDRA	
	GRIMSBY TOWN VS YEOVIL TOWN	
	LINCOLN CITY VS MANSFIELD TOWN (IPM)	
	MORECAMBE VS NEWPORT COUNTY	
	PORT VALE VS FOREST GREEN ROVERS	
	SWINDON TOWN VS STEVENAGE	

## SKY BET LEAGUE TWO 2017/18

POS	TEAM	P	W	D	L	GD	PTS
1	Exeter	7	6	1	0	+7	19
2	Newport	7	5	1	1	+5	16
3	Accrington	7	4	1	2	+5	13
4	Coventry City	7	4	1	2	+5	13
5	Lincoln City	7	3	3	1	+4	12
6	Newport County	7	3	3	1	+4	12
7	Stevenage	7	3	3	1	+3	12
8	Wycombe	7	3	3	1	+2	12
9	Luton Town	7	3	2	2	+7	11
10	Crewe Alexandra	7	3	2	2	+4	11
11	Mansfield Town	7	2	4	1	+4	10
12	Barnet	7	3	1	3	+3	10
13	Cambridge Utd	7	3	1	3	-1	10
14	Swindon Town	7	3	1	3	-2	10
15	Grimsby Town	7	3	0	4	-4	9
16	Colchester	7	2	2	3	0	8
17	Yeovil Town	7	2	2	3	-6	8
18	Crawley	7	2	1	4	-1	7
19	Carlisle Utd	7	2	1	4	-5	7
20	Morecambe	7	1	3	3	-3	6
21	Chesterfield	7	1	2	4	-9	5
22	Cheltenham	7	1	1	5	-6	4
23	Forest Green	7	1	1	5	-10	4
24	Port Vale	7	1	0	6	-6	3



# GET GAME READY



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Steve Wilson looks at the players who have written their names into the Wanderers' history book.

## THE MAN WHO... ...COMPLETED THE GREAT ESCAPE



**A**fter such a long struggle to reach the higher levels of the Football League, the biggest nightmare haunting the minds of Chairboys supporters is the prospect of a return to the level below. As a consequence, the avoidance of such a fate can end up seeming like a famous victory rather than a last-minute reprieve from a dismal season.

Through such a thought process we have Paul Emblen's hero status, the man whose goal confirmed that the Blues retained their place in the third tier after a season in which a plummet back to the basement level seemed a certainty.

The famous away game at Lincoln City came after a long and disappointing 1998-99 campaign, in which Neil Smillie's side had begun with just one win in sixteen across all competitions. Eventually that kind of form led to a regime change and Lawrie Sanchez saw the Blues through the final months of the season. An improvement in form began to give the support some hope but by the final day of the term the fate of the Wanderers' future still hung in the balance.

Almost 3,000 fans headed north to Lincoln for the vital game, spending most of the journey considering the permutations that would keep WWFC up or send them down. Essentially Wycombe had to win and hope York did not pull off an upset against Manchester City, or that Oldham Athletic beat Reading and scored five more goals than Wycombe did in the process.

By half-time it was still 0-0 and nerves were beginning to jangle. When the clock ticked around to 80 minutes and the match was still in a state of deadlock, it

began to seem that the hopes of a great escape had just been a cruel joke and the relegation that seemed certain at one point was, in fact, inevitable.

Then up stepped Emblen...

It began and ended with the striker - a short pass to Steve Brown, redirected out to Sean Devine, a cross into the box and a slight header which looped up and over John Vaughan to seal the 1-0 victory required. Unlikely results elsewhere were forgotten in the jubilation as a cult legend was born.



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TODAY'S VISITORS

# LUTON TOWN



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**PUNDIT'S VIEW**

Luton must hardly have been able to believe their luck when they opened the season with an 8-2 demolition of Yeovil, and they come into today's meeting as the division's joint top scorers. But that doesn't tell the whole story; they've failed to score in three of their six games since, including a disappointing 3-0 home defeat to Swindon a week ago. They arrive at Adams Park off the back of a 2-0 win over bottom side Port Vale in midweek but they're still searching for their first three points on their travels.

The Hatters were busy during the transfer window with 15 departures and 11 arrivals as they aim to bounce back from last season's play-off disappointment and go one better this time around. One-time Chairboys loanee Marek Štěch is the man in goal having joined from Sparta Prague, and fellow summer additions Jack Stacey, Andrew Shinnie – on loan from Birmingham – and James Collins have also been first team regulars in the opening weeks of the campaign, at full-back, in midfield and up top respectively.

Town's potential to bang in the goals shouldn't really come as a surprise; in former Crawley man Collins – who bagged a debut hat-trick against Yeovil – and fans' favourite Danny Hylton, they boast a frontline who managed 41 league goals between them last season. The former is already second in the League Two scoring charts with five but the latter has only found the net once so far – although he did miss the start of the campaign through injury.

Crowd pleaser Pelly Ruddock Mpanzu and recent signing Luke Berry are both capable of playing just behind that defence-petrifying partnership, in manager Nathan Jones' favoured diamond midfield, with Alan McCormack tending to line up in the holding role. Both Mpanzu and Berry options out wide too, as is the equally versatile Shinnie. The Town boss is certainly able to mix it up in this part of the pitch.

Captain Scott Cuthbert is set for a return today after missing Tuesday night's home victory and should line up alongside Alan Sheehan in the middle of a back four. Jack Stacey and Dan Potts are the likely starters on

either side of defence, while passing master Sheehan is equally capable of moving to full-back or the middle of the park.

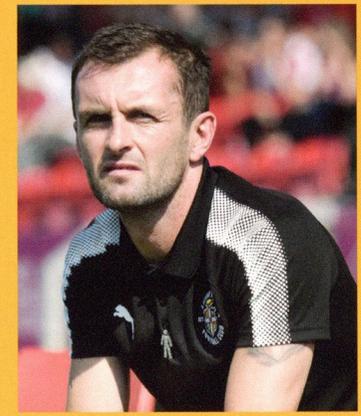
From the bench, Harry Cornick and Elliot Lee can provide extra firepower, while Lee's brother – central midfielder Olly, who's been in and out of the team – is fond of the occasional goal of his own. Defensive cover comes in the form of academy product and England under-20 international James Justin, and the experienced Johnny Mullins.

**IN CHARGE: NATHAN JONES**

The former defender enjoyed a career that saw him ply his trade in his homeland of Wales, Spain and England, turning out for the likes of Merthyr Tydfil, Numancia and Yeovil. He began life as a professional after David Pleat brought him to Luton from Merthyr in 1995.

This is his first managerial role – save for a short stint in charge as caretaker manager at Brighton in 2014 – and he's approaching two years in the Kenilworth Road dugout. After coming agonisingly close to making the play-off final in his first full season at the helm, he'll have high hopes for his side in 2017/18.

By Tom Hancock



# MEET THE VISITORS.

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## MAREK STECH

01

**Position:** Goalkeeper  
**Age:** 27

**Former clubs:** Sparta Prague, Yeovil, West Ham plus loans.

**Anything else?** Chairboys fans may remember Štěch making two loan appearances for Wycombe towards the end of the 2008/2009 season, when he turned out against Brentford and Rochdale.



## JAMES JUSTIN

02

**Position:** Defender  
**Age:** 19

**Former clubs:** None.

**Anything else?** The Luton academy graduate recently earned his first call-up to the England under-20 squad, featuring in friendlies against the Netherlands and Switzerland. He was the only player from outside the top two divisions to be selected.

## JACK STACEY

07

**Position:** Forward  
**Age:** 21

**Former clubs:** Reading plus loans.

**Anything else?** The right-back made six Championship appearances for Reading but was afforded his first real professional break in a loan spell at Exeter. He arrived at Kenilworth Road in June.

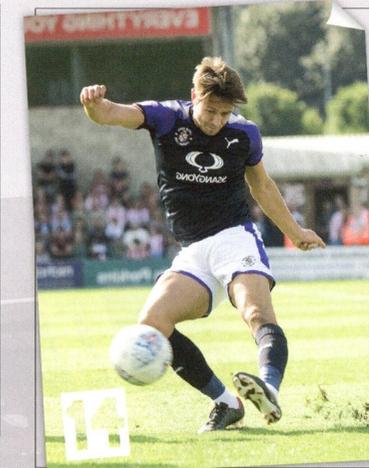
## OLLY LEE

08

**Position:** Midfielder  
**Age:** 26

**Former clubs:** Birmingham, Barnet, West Ham plus loans.

**Anything else?** Lee is the son of former Newcastle and England – and, of course, Wycombe – midfielder Rob, and brother of Luton team-mate Elliot.



## DAN POTTS

03

**Position:** Defender  
**Age:** 23

**Former clubs:** West Ham plus loans.

**Anything else?** The left-back made 13 senior appearances in his time with West Ham and has also represented the USA and England in youth internationals, featuring in the 2013 U-20 World Cup for the latter.

## ALAN MCCORMACK

04

**Position:** Midfielder  
**Age:** 33

**Former clubs:** Brentford, Swindon, Charlton, Southend, Preston plus loans.

**Anything else?** Irishman McCormack put pen to paper at Luton in July having already notched up more than 450 career appearances throughout the divisions. He's capable of operating as a defensive midfielder or right-back.



## DANNY HYLTON

09

**Position:** Striker  
**Age:** 28

**Former clubs:** Oxford, Rotherham, Aldershot plus loans.

**Anything else?** Hylton was Town's top scorer last season with 27 goals, earning himself a place in the PFA League Two Team of the Year.

## JORDAN COOK

10

**Position:** Midfielder  
**Age:** 27

**Former clubs:** Walsall, Charlton, Sunderland plus loans.

**Anything else?** The Sunderland academy product made his debut for his hometown team on the biggest possible stage, coming off the bench at Manchester United on Boxing Day 2010. He's made five appearances in all competitions for Town in 2017/18.

## JOHNNY MULLINS

05

**Position:** Defender  
**Age:** 31

**Former clubs:** Oxford, Rotherham, Stockport, Mansfield, Reading plus loans.

**Anything else?** The experienced centre-back signed for the Hatters from Oxford in the summer of 2016 alongside Danny Hylton. He made his 500th career appearance last season.



## SCOTT CUTHBERT

06

**Position:** Defender  
**Age:** 30

**Former clubs:** Leyton Orient, Swindon, Celtic plus loans.

**Anything else?** The Luton skipper took over the armband from the departing Steve McNulty in October 2015. He came through the Celtic youth system and has been capped at B level for Scotland.

## ANDREW SHINNIE

11

**Position:** Midfielder  
**Age:** 28

**Former clubs:** Birmingham (parent club), Inverness CT, Rangers plus loans.

**Anything else?** The Birmingham man joined Luton on a season-long loan in July, having spent last season with Scottish Championship winners Hibernian.

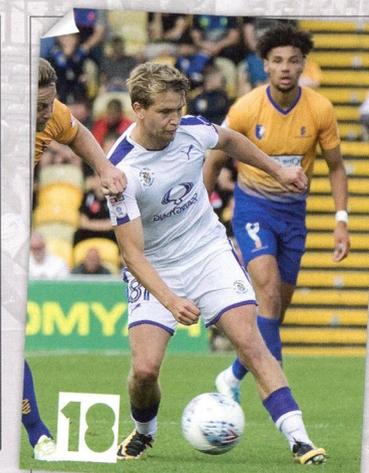
## HARRY CORNICK

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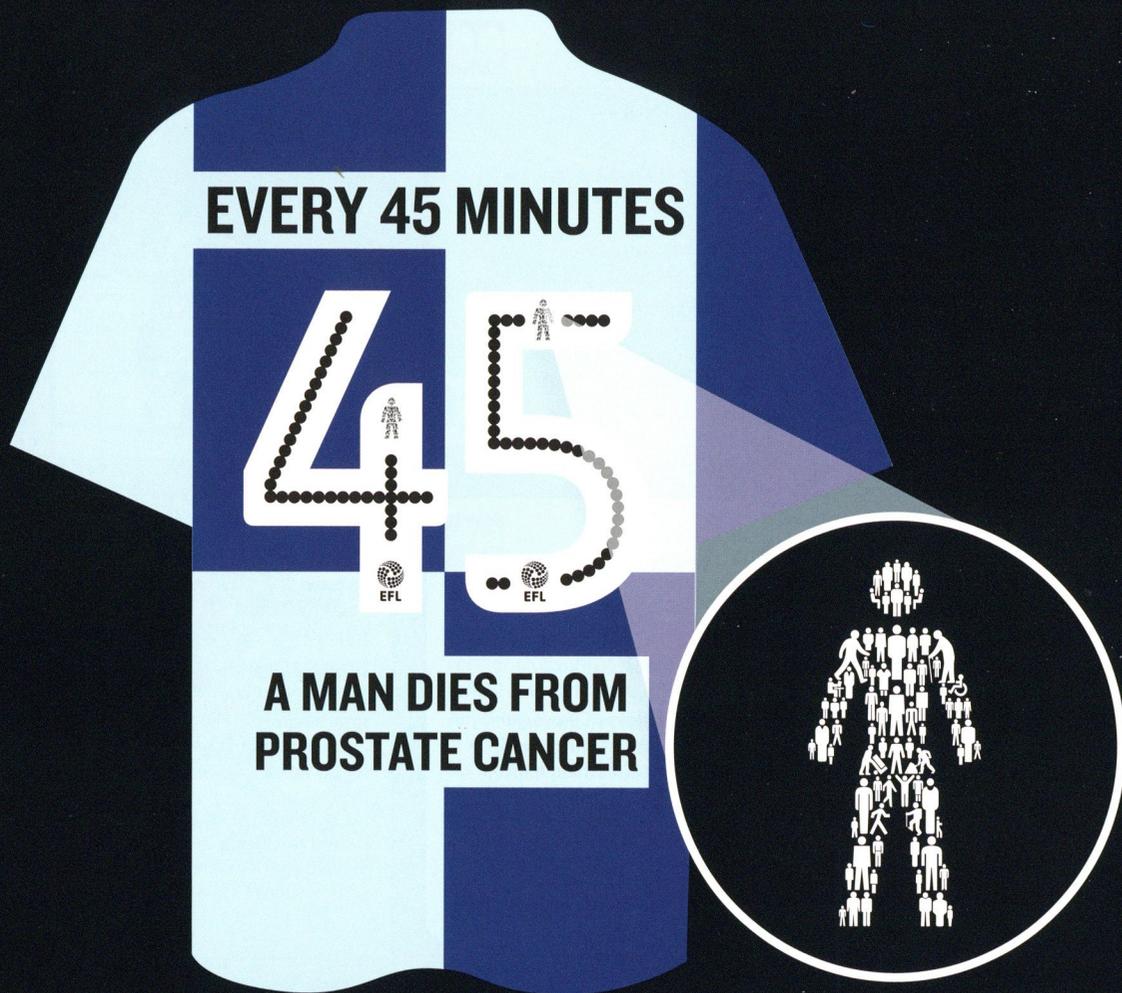
**Position:** Forward  
**Age:** 22

**Former clubs:** Bournemouth plus loans.

**Anything else?** Plucked from non-league by Bournemouth in January 2013, Cornick ultimately only made one first team appearance for Eddie Howe's men. He'll be keen to make an impact at Kenilworth Road after arriving this summer.



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**GLEN  
REA**

**16**

**Position:** Defender

**Age:** 23

**Former clubs:** Brighton plus loans.

**Anything else?** Able to play as a centre-half or holding midfielder, Rea first joined the Hatters on loan in March 2016. He signed permanently that June and made 49 appearances in his first full season with the club.

**PELLY  
RUDDOCK MPANZU**

**17**

**Position:** Midfielder

**Age:** 23

**Former clubs:** West Ham.

**Anything else?** Exciting West Ham academy graduate Mpanzu first joined Town on loan in December of their Conference title-winning season in 2013/14. He's gone on to pass 100 appearances since signing permanently that January.

**LUKE  
BERRY**

**18**

**Position:** Midfielder

**Age:** 25

**Former clubs:** Cambridge United, Barnsley.

**Anything else?** Attacking midfielder Berry joined the Hatters last month having scored 22 times for Cambridge last season. He's made two starts and one substitute appearance since signing.



**19**

**JAMES  
COLLINS**

**19**

**Position:** Striker

**Age:** 26

**Former clubs:** Crawley, Shrewsbury, Hibernian, Swindon, Aston Villa plus loans.

**Anything else?** Another new signing this summer, the former Republic of Ireland under-21 international netted 22 times for Crawley last campaign. He enjoyed a perfect debut for Luton as he netted a hat-trick in the 8-2 thrashing of Yeovil on the opening day.

**LUKE  
GAMBIN**

**22**

**Position:** Midfielder

**Age:** 24

**Former clubs:** Barnet plus loans.

**Anything else?** The Malta international has won ten caps for his country, the latest coming in the recent World Cup qualifying defeat to Scotland at Hampden Park.

**JAMES  
SHEA**

**36**

**Position:** Goalkeeper

**Age:** 26

**Former clubs:** AFC Wimbledon, Harrow Borough, Needham Market, Arsenal plus loans.

**Anything else?** After coming through the youth ranks at Arsenal, Shea dropped down into non-league. He continued to train with the Gunners until returning to professional football in 2014 with Wimbledon.

**ELLIOT  
LEE**

**38**

**Position:** Forward

**Age:** 22

**Former clubs:** Barnsley, West Ham plus loans.

**Anything else?** Lee scored with his very first touch for Luton, finding the net away at AFC Wimbledon in February, before bagging two in a 3-2 defeat to Wycombe the following month.

**ALAN  
SHEEHAN**

**44**

**Position:** Defender

**Age:** 31

**Former clubs:** Bradford, Notts County, Swindon, Leeds, Leicester, Belvedere plus loans.

**Anything else?** The versatile Irishman was Nathan Jones' first signing as Hatters manager, initially joining on loan from Bradford in January 2016.



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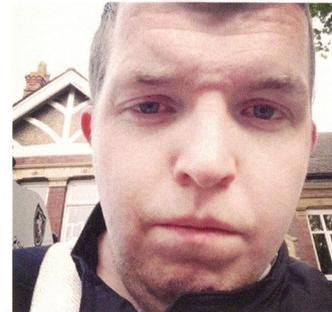
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# OPPOSITION VIEW

DAVE O'FLANAGAN PROVIDES AN INSIGHT INTO HIS BELOVED HATTERS, TALKING TO TOM HANCOCK.



**Seven games in - how do you assess your start to the campaign?**

Honestly, it's been very average so far. Writing this on the back of last weekend's 3-0 defeat to Swindon, we currently have eight points from six games and that's nowhere near good enough for a side who were one of the favourites for promotion. Hopefully we've won in midweek, and pushed on a little bit.

**We have to mention that 8-2 opening day win - how did you feel after that? Were you surprised by the result?**

It definitely wasn't what I predicted, especially as we were missing Danny Hylton at that time too. Before we sold Isaac Vassell, I believed we had the best attacking quartet in the league and the opening day hat-trick from James Collins epitomised that. We've only scored five in five since so perhaps we could with balancing out our goals a bit better.

**Last season obviously ended in disappointment in the play-offs - what will be the key(s) to making sure you go one better this time around?**

It was a fifth play-off defeat for Luton, despite doubling our conquerors Blackpool in the regular season. Last season we were too cagey and drew too many matches. I believe only Sheffield United lost fewer games than us in the league the regular season, so

whilst we made ourselves hard to beat, perhaps being a bit more open would have been the difference.

**And realistically, where do you see yourselves finishing?**

Despite our slow start, I'd still think we're more than capable of getting the top three, especially with other "big" sides not hitting the ground running either. Whilst we've sold a good deal of talent, I think anything less than promotion this season would be seen as a failure.

**It's been a difficult last 10 years or so for Luton but they finally seem to be on the up again. Just how important has the fanbase been to that?**

Our numbers on the road in this league - especially with Portsmouth's promotion - are probably second to none with us regularly taking 1,000 fans up and down the country, as well as well packing in 8,000 at home. I feel it sometimes works against us, especially at home, as our fans can be impatient if things aren't going our way. I think having such numbers obviously helps the club in terms of finances, but I don't think it has much impact in what happens on the pitch.

**How would you describe your side's style of play?**

We definitely try and play the right style of football, even if the occasion isn't always suited for it. Alan Sheehan at centre back can hit a 40/50 yard pass as well as anyone in League 2 and we do like to build from the back. When it works, it can look really good, when it doesn't work, it's more than a little frustrating.

**Who has been your standout performers so far and why?**

With the slow start to the season we've had it's not easy to pick out anyone that's really shone. Marek Stech has already made a good impression in goal, including an injury time penalty save vs. Mansfield after we had just come from 2-0 down. James Collins had a dream start with a hat-trick on the opening day and I would expect him to go on to score 20+ this season if he stays fit.

**Finally, care to give us a prediction for today's match?**

1-1 draw. I think Wycombe are a strong side still and although I'd like the win to start making up some ground, I wouldn't be too disappointed to come away from here with a share of the spoils.



# FIRST AND LAST

IN A NEW SERIES, ADRIAN WOOD REFLECTS ON THE EARLIEST AND MOST REGENT MEETINGS BETWEEN THE TWO SIDES.



## EARLIEST COMPETITIVE MEETINGS

**T**hese took place in the Nationwide League 2 in season 1996/97. It was Wycombe's third season at this level and their second under Alan Smith. Luton had been relegated from Division 1 the previous May. At the time of the Adams Park meeting on September 7th, neither side had started the new campaign well - both had taken just three points from their first four fixtures. The game marked the one and only

appearance in a Wycombe shirt of former England star Ray Wilkins and was watched by a crowd of 6,471.

Most of the action came in an even first half. The visitors forced several corners in a good spell of pressure and from one of them Graham Alexander's low shot was half saved by Brian Parkin with Mickey Bell then clearing off the line. On the half hour Wycombe twice went close; Matt Lawrence shot just wide, then Miguel Desouza got through and shot past Ian Feuer only for Steve Davis to clear off the line. The second half was generally more low key but the game's only goal arrived in the 54th minute. Mitchell Thomas sent over a cross to the far post where Andrew Fotiadis headed down for David Oldfield to tap over the line. Luton were generally in control thereafter playing some good football although never really looking like adding to their score. Indeed Wycombe almost snatched an equaliser when Paul McCarthy's shot hit the woodwork with five minutes remaining.

The teams that afternoon were:

### Notts County

*B Parkin, J Cousins, M Bell, P McCarthy, T Evans, M Lawrence, D Carroll, R Wilkins, M Desouza, J Williams (M Mahoney-Johnson) and D Farrell.*

### Luton Town

*I Feuer, J James, M Thomas, G Waddock, S Davis, M Johnson, C Hughes, G Alexander, D Oldfield, A Fotiadis (A Thorpe) and B Guentchev.*



That season's return fixture at Kenilworth Road was scheduled for December 28th but was eventually played on Tuesday 8th April. Both sides needed the points for entirely different reasons. Lennie Lawrence's side were in 2nd place and striving for automatic promotion. The Chairboys though were in trouble down in 21st place, a point adrift from safety with just six games remaining. There was an excellent

crowd of 7,626 including some 1,100 who had made the trip from Wycombe. The visitors were under the cosh for most of the game but with Paul McCarthy putting in a fine performance in a five man Wycombe defence, the home side remained frustrated - the game ending goal less. Wycombe could even have snatched the points late but for a fine save from Feuer that kept out Paul Read's goal bound volley.

Luton managed just two wins in their remaining fixtures finishing third. There was to be no play-off triumph with Crewe inflicting a 3-4 aggregate defeat in the semi-final. Meanwhile Wycombe finished strongly, managing 10 points from their last five fixtures to end up 18th, eight points clear of relegation.

## MOST RECENT MEETINGS

**F**or the last three seasons the sides have been rivals in League 2. Last season's Kenilworth Road meeting took place on September 3rd and was an afternoon Wycombe would rather forget, the Hatters winning 4-1. It was the first time either side had netted four goals in a meeting between the clubs, and the result ended a sequence of three consecutive Wycombe victories at that venue. The scene was set after just 10 minutes when Danny Hylton converted Pelly Ruddock's cross from close range. After Jordan Cook and Cameron McGeehan had missed opportunities to extend the lead, Jamal Blackman saved McGeehan's penalty awarded after Stephen McGinn had fouled Cook. However shortly after the interval the Wycombe keeper could only parry McGeehan's shot and Hylton doubled the home team's lead. The Chairboys responded positively and Matt Bloomfield halved the deficit when he converted Nick Freeman's flick. Garry Thompson then twice went close to an equaliser. Two



minutes from time though Hylton completed his hat trick on the spot given for a foul by Will De Havilland. In stoppage time Jordan Cook put the icing on the cake with a breakaway fourth goal. The attendance was 8,097 including 530 in the away end.

The Adams Park return took place on January 21st. Both sides were going well at the time, Wycombe were 5th - a single point and place above the visitors. A crowd of 5,387 witnessed a fiery encounter with Wycombe

coming from behind to take a point in a thoroughly deserved 1-1 draw. Luton had taken a 56th minute lead through a headed goal from skipper Scott Cuthbert. With quarter of an hour remaining the visitors' Johnny Mullins was red carded for a dangerous lunge on Scott Kashket and seven minutes later Wycombe equalised. It was the familiar combination of a perfect Joe Jacobson cross from the left that was headed past Christian Walton by Adebayo Akinfenwa.

Town ended the campaign in 4th place but were narrowly defeated 5-6 on aggregate by Blackpool in the play-off semi-final. Wycombe meanwhile finished 9th, a point adrift of the final play-off position.

For those of you who like overall statistics, out of the 23 league and cup meetings between the clubs, Luton have 10 wins, Wycombe have 4 wins (all of which have been away from home), with 9 meetings being drawn.



# FIXTURES & RESULTS

Key: Goalscorer 1 Cautioned ■ Sent Off ■ First substitution Second substitution Third substitution  
Home games highlighted in bold



DATE	K/O	H/A	OPPONENT	RES	ATT	AWAY ATT	REF	STARTING XI
<b>AUGUST 2017</b>								
SAT 5	15:00	H	LINCOLN CITY	D 2-2	5,538	1,438	Horwood	Brown Harriman <b>Jacobson 1</b> Jombati El-Abd
TUE 8	19:45	H	FULHAM (EFL CUP)	L 0-2	3,639	1,238	Ward	Brown Harriman Jacobson Muller El-Abd
SAT 12	15:00	A	PORT VALE	W 2-3	4,909	293	Hicks	Brown ■ Harriman Jacobson Jombati El-Abd ■
SAT 19	15:00	H	NOTTS COUNTY	L 2-4	3,785	362	Salisbury	Brown Harriman <b>Jacobson 1</b> Jombati El-Abd ■
SAT 26	15:00	A	GRIMSBY TOWN	W 2-3	4,016	187	Heywood	Brown Harriman <b>Jacobson 1</b> Stewart El-Abd ■
TUE 29	TBC	H	BRISTOL ROVERS (EFL TROPHY)	L 1-5	1,132	66	Linington	Brown Harriman Williams Jombati El-Abd
<b>SEPTEMBER 2017</b>								
SAT 2	15:00	H	FOREST GREEN ROVERS	W 3-1	3,759	226	Oldham	Brown Harriman Jacobson <b>Stewart 1</b> El-Abd ■
SAT 9	15:00	A	NEWPORT COUNTY	D 0-0	3,752	302	Toner	Brown Harriman Jacobson Stewart El-Abd
TUE 12	19:45	A	MANSFIELD TOWN	D 0-0	2,938	154	Lewis	Brown Harriman Jacobson ■ Stewart Scarr
SAT 16	15:00	H	LUTON TOWN					
SAT 23	15:00	A	COLCHESTER UNITED					
TUE 26	19:45	H	CREWE ALEXANDRA					
SAT 30	15:00	H	BARNET					
<b>OCTOBER 2017</b>								
SAT 7	15:00	A	CAMBRIDGE UNITED					
SAT 14	15:00	H	EXETER CITY					
TUE 17	19:45	A	CARLISLE UNITED					
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SAT 28	15:00	H	CHELTENHAM TOWN					
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<b>NOVEMBER 2017</b>								
SAT 11	15:00	A	MORECAMBE					
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SAT 9	15:00	A	STEVENAGE					
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TUE 26	15:00	H	NEWPORT COUNTY					
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<b>JANUARY 2018</b>								
MON 1	15:00	A	FOREST GREEN ROVERS					
SAT 6	15:00	A	LUTON TOWN					
SAT 13	15:00	H	COLCHESTER UNITED					
SAT 20	15:00	A	CREWE ALEXANDRA					
SAT 27	15:00	H	COVENTRY CITY					
<b>FEBRUARY 2018</b>								
SAT 3	15:00	H	CARLISLE UNITED					
SAT 10	15:00	A	EXETER CITY					
TUE 13	19:45	H	SWINDON TOWN					
SAT 17	15:00	A	CHELTENHAM TOWN					
SAT 24	15:00	H	MORECAMBE					
<b>MARCH 2018</b>								
SAT 3	15:00	A	CRAWLEY TOWN					
SAT 10	15:00	H	CAMBRIDGE UNITED					
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SAT 21	15:00	H	ACCRINGTON STANLEY					
SAT 28	15:00	A	CHESTERFIELD					
<b>MAY 2018</b>								
SAT 5	15:00	H	STEVENAGE					

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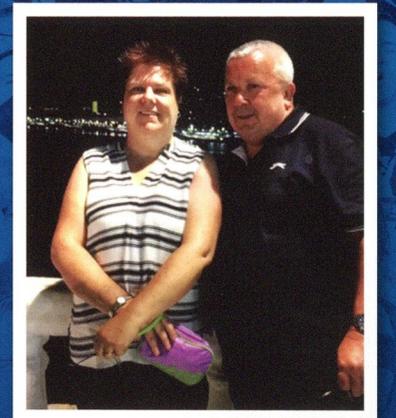
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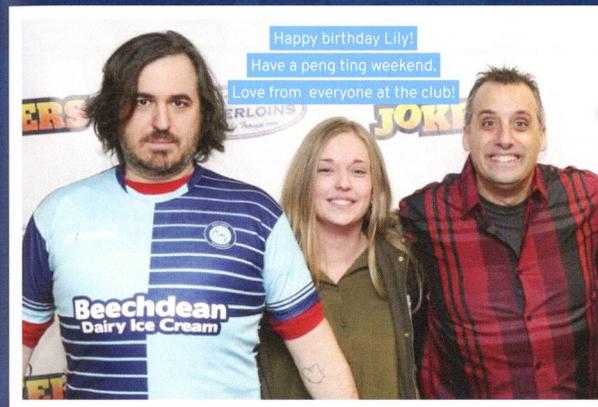
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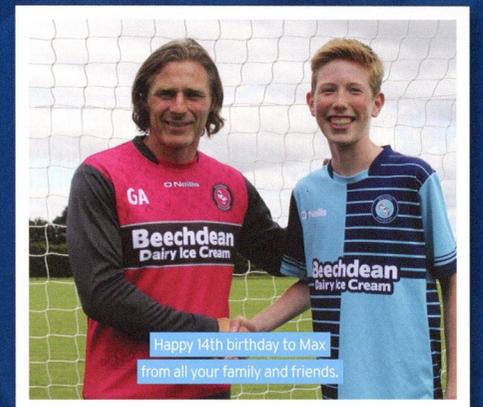
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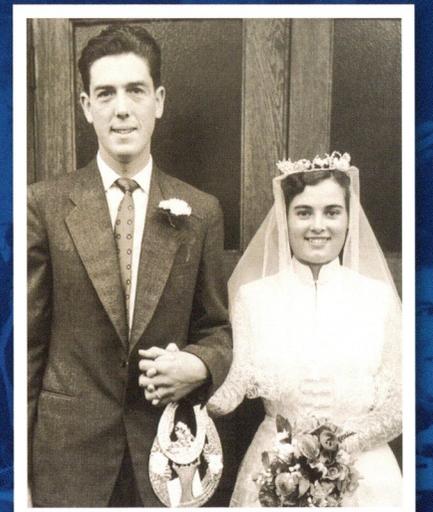
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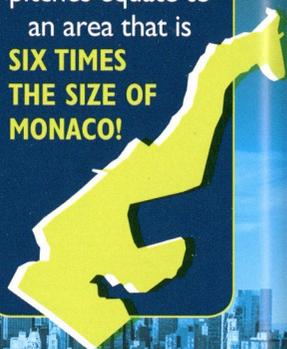


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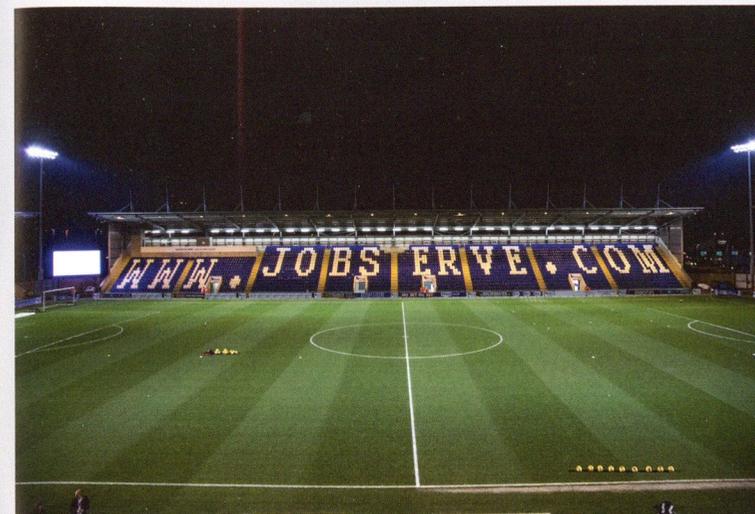
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Using the car? These are the recommended road directions

The U's stadium is located on the north side of the town, near to Colchester Business Park, and is easily accessible from the town via the Northern Approach Road. Take the M40 towards London, joining the northbound (clockwise) M25 at Junction 1A. Carry on the M25 to Junction 28. Here take the A12 following signs first for Chelmsford and then for Colchester. Leave the A12 at Junction 28, turning right at the first roundabout. Go across the bridge and then go straight over the second roundabout, before turning right into United Way from the third roundabout. You are now at the stadium.

Mileage from High Wycombe = 98 (average journey time 1 hour 40 minutes)

Suggested car parking area

There are 700 car parking spaces at the stadium which cost from £6 to £10 (depending how close to the exit you are parked). You need to pre-book your car parking space in advance via the Colchester United website, as for most games the car park sells out. There is an overspill

car park located on the nearby industrial estate (about a 10-15 minute walk away from the stadium) which costs £8. Note that there is an extensive residents' only parking scheme in operation around the stadium, so you may need to journey to over a mile away, before you can find a legitimate parking space. Allow plenty of time!

Travelling by coach?

OWWSA will be running a coach that will leave Adams Park at 11:00. Travel prices are £17 for adults, £16 for seniors, and £15 for juniors. The price for non-members is £22 (no refund if game is cancelled and the coaches have left their depot). If you wish to book by phone (Rena 01494 520179, Graham 07876 267301) or by e-mail (bookings@owwsa.co.uk) you need to do so by Thursday 21st September 5pm.

Fancy using the train?

There is a regular service from London Liverpool Street, average journey time being around an hour. The station is almost 2 miles from the ground, but visiting fans can take advantage of the club's shuttle bus service, which costs just £2.50 for a return journey. The shuttle bus starts at 1pm on a Saturday match day and takes less than ten minutes to get to the ground. There are trains from Colchester back to Liverpool Street on a regular basis, for example 17:30, 17:33, 18:03, 18:30 etc.

CHAIRBOYS ON TOUR



BY ADRIAN WOOD

AWAY LEAGUE FIXTURE NO.5



COLCHESTER UNITED (THE U'S)

DATE: Saturday 23rd September, kick off 3.00pm

VENUE: Weston Homes Community Stadium (10,105 all seated)

LOCATION: United Way, Colchester, Essex

POSTCODE: CO4 5UP

Facilities for away fans

Away fans are normally housed in the northern part of the JobServe Stand, which is situated on one side of the stadium. As you would expect from a new stadium the facilities and view of the playing action are good. A varied range of food is available on the concourses. Note that there is no facility to pay cash at the turnstiles, so you have to buy your tickets from the Ticket booth if you haven't already bought them in advance.

Spare time before or after match?

With the stadium being on the very outskirts of Colchester, there is little in the choice of nearby pubs. If you are going by train (see above) "The Norfolk Arms" (less than 5 minutes from the station) is recommended for away fans and seems to be the designated pub. At the stadium the Club allows access to the bar and toilets located on the concourse area of the Weston Homes Stand, before each home game. This bar is available to both home and away supporters.

# YOUR CHAIRBOYS.



Now in his second season with the Chairboys, Brown arrived last summer but spent time out on loan after recovering from injury.

HOME KIT: Elaine & Claire Marshall  
AWAY KIT: Mark Burrell of transformationdelivery.com

SOCKS & BOOTS: Alex Meaden  
GLOVES: PEAK

2017/18		TOTAL	
APPS	CS	APPS	CS
9	2	13	3



Versatile defender capable of operating at full-back or centre-back, and displayed a knack of scoring some exquisite free-kicks.

HOME KIT: Peter & Nick Lerner  
AWAY KIT: Travis & Aidan Booth

TECHNICAL: Adrian & Kerry Wood  
SOCKS & BOOTS: AVAILABLE

2017/18		TOTAL	
APPS	GLS	APPS	GLS
4	0	115	4



Experienced left-back who is a regular provider of assists, specialising in set pieces, and has scored three times already this season.

HOME KIT: PILEDESIGNS  
AWAY KIT: Jenny Darby

TECHNICAL: Liam O'Rourke  
SOCKS & BOOTS: Karen Harris-Kenny

2017/18		TOTAL	
APPS	GLS	APPS	GLS
8	3	143	11



A regular on the teamsheet, right-back Harriman spent time on loan in 2013 before returning from QPR in 2015 and making his loan move permanent.

HOME KIT: AJW Ltd  
AWAY KIT: HAP Architects

TECHNICAL: AVAILABLE  
SOCKS & BOOTS: Cian Moore

2017/18		TOTAL	
APPS	GLS	APPS	GLS
9	0	124	8



Energetic midfielder O'Nien joined from Watford in 2015 and has remained a regular force in the box-to-box role.

HOME KIT: WW Trust Directors  
AWAY KIT: Arran White

TECHNICAL: The Ward Boys  
TRAINING KIT: Ceri Saunders  
SOCKS & BOOTS: Callum Burchett

2017/18		TOTAL	
APPS	GLS	APPS	GLS
8	2	87	10



The versatile defender/midfielder first arrived in 2014 and late made his move from Rotherham permanent, also spending time on loan at Barrow.

HOME KIT: Fred & Ange Mullin  
AWAY KIT: AVAILABLE

TECHNICAL: AVAILABLE  
SOCKS & BOOTS: AVAILABLE

2017/18		TOTAL	
APPS	GLS	APPS	GLS
1	0	54	2



A classy operator in front of the back four, Gape arrived on loan from Southampton in August 2016 and made his move permanent in January.

HOME KIT: Alan Sunderland  
AWAY KIT: Alan Parry

TECHNICAL: The Deakin boys  
SOCKS & BOOTS: AVAILABLE

2017/18		TOTAL	
APPS	GLS	APPS	GLS
8	0	44	1



Stewart developed through the club's youth system and returned for a second spell in 2015, becoming an integral part of the team. Scored against Forest Green.

HOME KIT: Risborough Fish  
AWAY KIT: Karen Adams

TECHNICAL: Jordan Wiles  
SOCKS & BOOTS: AVAILABLE

2017/18		TOTAL	
APPS	GLS	APPS	GLS
5	1	142	10



The Egyptian international signed from Shrewsbury Town in July, having won four promotions throughout his career, including two at Brighton.

HOME KIT: Keith and Shirley Blagbrough  
AWAY KIT: Christine Barry

TECHNICAL: AVAILABLE  
SOCKS & BOOTS: AVAILABLE

2017/18		TOTAL	
APPS	GLS	APPS	GLS
8	0	8	0



De Havilland joined the Chairboys in July 2016 following spells with Millwall and Sheffield Wednesday.

HOME KIT: Oliver & Ben Jewsbury  
AWAY KIT: David Hill Wealth Management

TECHNICAL: AVAILABLE

2017/18		TOTAL	
APPS	GLS	APPS	GLS
0	0	23	0



The 'Beast' scored 18 times in his maiden season, earning both the Players' and Supporters' Player of the Year awards, and has four goals already this season.

HOME KIT: Tina Davis  
AWAY KIT: Debs Wyatt

TECHNICAL: Nick Robertson  
SOCKS & BOOTS: Mark Andrews  
TRAINING KIT: Lauren Shoebridge & Jordan Wiles

2017/18		TOTAL	
APPS	GLS	APPS	GLS
6	4	58	22



Lively attacker Freeman grabbed his chance on trial with both hands, earning a permanent contract last summer after time in non-league. Scored his first EFL goal against Notts County.

HOME KIT: WWISC Golf Society  
AWAY KIT: The Rose Family

TECHNICAL: Wendy Laidler  
SOCKS & BOOTS: Hans Cook

2017/18		TOTAL	
APPS	GLS	APPS	GLS
6	1	23	2



Creative midfielder Saunders returned to the club for a second spell in January, after impressing during a loan spell in 2014/15.

HOME KIT: Colin & Richard Kyson  
AWAY KIT: WWISC

TECHNICAL: Denie, Sarah and Yasmin Vaux  
SOCKS & BOOTS: Ben Foster

2016/17		TOTAL	
APPS	GLS	APPS	GLS
2	0	37	3



Former QPR, Brentford and Swansea man Bean signed a new one-year deal in the summer to extend his stay with the club.

HOME KIT: WWISC  
AWAY KIT: In memory of Wendy Holt

TECHNICAL: AVAILABLE  
SOCKS & BOOTS: AVAILABLE

2016/17		TOTAL	
APPS	GLS	APPS	GLS
3	0	82	0



The club's longest-serving player, Bloomfield became Wanderers' all-time leading appearance maker in the EFL last season.

HOME KIT: Reuben & Sarah Cox  
AWAY KIT: Derrick, Janil, Claire & Rachael Windsor

TECHNICAL: Louise, Reta & Anthony Stone

2017/18		TOTAL	
APPS	GLS	APPS	GLS
8	0	441	34



Tyson rejoined the club this summer after an explosive first spell from 2004-05, earning a move to Nottingham Forest and later Derby and Doncaster.

HOME KIT: Trevor & Jackie Cox  
AWAY KIT: Kathy Locke

TECHNICAL: Malcolm Upton  
SOCKS & BOOTS: Michael O'Donnell

2017/18		TOTAL	
APPS	GLS	APPS	GLS
3	0	90	44



Young left-back Williams arrived on QPR on a five-month deal after impressing during two pre-season friendlies.

HOME KIT: John Vipond  
AWAY KIT: Alan & Margaret Hodgson

TECHNICAL: AVAILABLE  
SOCKS & BOOTS: AVAILABLE

2017/18		TOTAL	
APPS	GLS	APPS	GLS
3	0	3	0



A prolific goalscorer across many years in the EFL with Peterborough and Brighton, Mackail-Smith joined earlier in August on a one-year deal.

HOME KIT: Clark & Marshall  
AWAY KIT: Robertson's Estate Agents

TECHNICAL: AVAILABLE  
SOCKS & BOOTS: AVAILABLE

2016/17		TOTAL	
APPS	GLS	APPS	GLS
5	0	5	0



Kashket burst onto the scene last season after returning from Leyton Orient in August, scoring 16 goals in total and winning the December Player of the Month prize.

HOME KIT: The Abbas family  
AWAY KIT: Max & Zoe Dawson

TECHNICAL: Ben Prior-Wandesforde  
SOCKS & BOOTS: AVAILABLE

2017/18		TOTAL	
APPS	GLS	APPS	GLS
0	0	29	16



Exciting winger Cowan-Hall made a permanent return to the club in January, having first joined in 2013. Scored in the win at Port Vale. Scored in the win against Forest Green.

HOME KIT: Christine Barry  
AWAY KIT: John Vipond & Luke Saunders

TECHNICAL: AVAILABLE  
SOCKS & BOOTS: AVAILABLE

2017/18		TOTAL	
APPS	GLS	APPS	GLS
8	1	100	18



Southwell arrived at Adams Park last summer on a two-year deal after scoring more than 50 goals in two years at Boston United.

HOME KIT: David & Joan Boyd  
AWAY KIT: Arran White

TRAINING KIT: Emily Isaac  
SOCKS & BOOTS: Finn Sutton

2017/18		TOTAL	
APPS	GLS	APPS	GLS
6	1	21	2



Powerful striker who signed on loan from Charlton in August, impressing in his appearances so far.

HOME KIT: AVAILABLE  
AWAY KIT: AVAILABLE

TECHNICAL: AVAILABLE  
SOCKS & BOOTS: AVAILABLE

2017/18		TOTAL	
APPS	GLS	APPS	GLS
3	0	3	0



Creative attacking midfielder who was having scored for Stourbridge against Wycombe last season. Earned his EFL debut at Mansfield.

HOME KIT: AVAILABLE  
AWAY KIT: AVAILABLE

TECHNICAL: AVAILABLE  
SOCKS & BOOTS: AVAILABLE

2017/18		TOTAL	
APPS	GLS	APPS	GLS
2	0	2	0



Talented defender on loan from Birmingham, having scored for Stourbridge against Wycombe last season. Earned his EFL debut at Mansfield.

HOME KIT: Mayor Broking  
AWAY KIT: AVAILABLE

TECHNICAL: AVAILABLE  
SOCKS & BOOTS: AVAILABLE

2017/18		TOTAL	
APPS	GLS	APPS	GLS
1	0	1	0



# BODGER'S CORNER!

HEY KIDS! HOPE YOU'VE ALL HAD FUN IN YOUR FIRST TWO WEEKS BACK AT SCHOOL, AND LEARNED LOTS! LET'S HOPE WE CAN TEACH LUTON A LESSON TODAY... SEE WHAT I DID THERE?!



## WORD SEARCH!

Can you find the following words?

- WYCOMBE
- QUARTERS
- LUTON
- ORANGE
- HATTERS

## WHO AM I?

Can you name the player in this distorted image?



## FACE IN THE CROWD.

Is this you in the crowd against Forest Green? If so, come to reception before the next home game to receive a free programme!

## QUICK QUIZ

- 1) Which two Wycombe players used to play for Luton?
- 2) Who scored the third goal against Forest Green two weeks ago?
- 3) Which country has Marcus Bean played for?
- 4) Divide Paris Cowan-Hall's number by Joe Jacobson's number - whose number do you have?
- 5) Which team do Wycombe play next at Adams Park?

## FIND THE BALL.

Where do you think the ball is hidden in this picture?



Answers: SPOT THE BALL - 2; QUICK QUIZ: 1) Craig Mackail-Smith and Michael Harriman 2) Luke O'Nien 3) Jamaica 4) Dominic Gape 5) Crewe Alexandra; WHO AM I? Nathan Tyson.



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# CONSULTANTS CORNER.



## AN EXPERT FROM BMI HEALTHCARE TALKS THROUGH A COMMON FOOTBALLING INJURY

Mr Shibu Krishnan gives an overview of the symptoms and treatment of ITB syndrome – a knee problem which can affect footballers.

### ILIOTIBIAL BAND (ITB) FRICTION SYNDROME

#### WHAT IS THE INJURY?

IT band friction syndrome is an inflammation of the tight iliotibial band (ITB) on the outside of the knee as it rubs against the bony prominence (lateral femoral epicondyle). It is usually an overuse injury seen in runners.

#### WHAT ARE THE SYMPTOMS?

Patients feel a localised pain on the outer aspect of the knee. This is aggravated by activities such as running or cycling which cause repeated bending and straightening of the knee under load. This commonly occurs towards the end of a season or when there has been a change in intensity of training.

#### WHAT DIAGNOSTICS ARE REQUIRED? WHAT TECHNOLOGY IS USED?

The diagnosis is often made based on history and clinical examination findings. Typical finding on clinical examination is a tender spot over the lateral epicondyle of the thigh bone (femur) and the tenderness is felt only when the knee is bent at 20-30 degrees (when the IT band lies over the epicondyle). Detailed evaluation should also include assessment of risk factors such as training errors, anatomical factors (e.g. weak hip abductor muscles, excessive foot pronation, abnormal curvature of the knee etc), biomechanical factors (e.g. increased angle of knee flexion at heel strike) etc. MRI scan of the

knee may be useful to exclude other sources of such symptoms and to confirm the diagnosis.

#### WHAT TREATMENT IS REQUIRED?

Initial treatment should focus on relative rest by reducing the intensity of training followed by physiotherapy, which is the mainstay of treatment. The aim of initial treatment is to reduce pain and inflammation by using modalities such as ice, anti-inflammatory medications etc.

Physiotherapy treatment modalities include exercises to stretch the IT band and the adjacent soft tissue (lateral retinaculum), deep transverse friction massage, strengthening of the hip abductor muscles along with improved quadriceps and hamstring control etc. Addressing the risk factors mentioned earlier would minimise the chances of recurrence of symptoms.

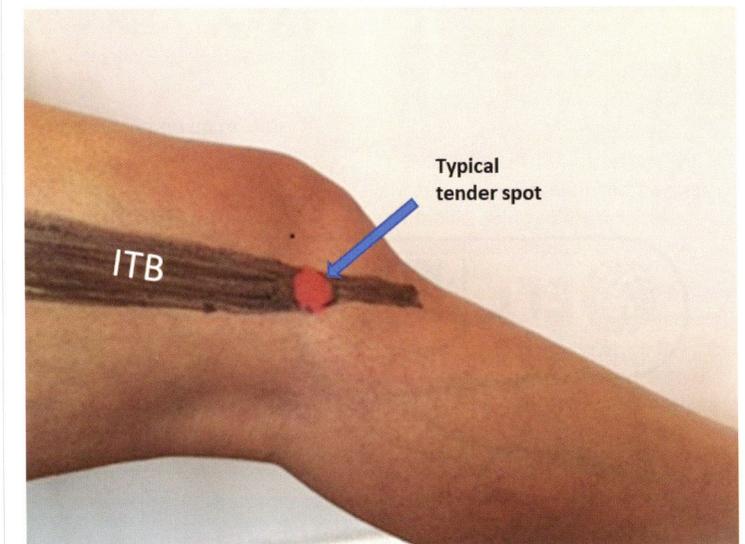
Corticosteroid injection to the affected area can help reduce pain and inflammation; but should only be used in conjunction with a physiotherapy programme. Surgery should be reserved for recalcitrant cases. It involves a minimally invasive day case procedure aimed at removing a small portion of the IT band.

#### HOW LONG WILL IT TAKE TO RECOVER?

The recovery period varies from few days to three months. Incorporation of IT band stretching exercises along with correction of contributing factors in routing regime would minimise the risk of recurrence.

*Mr Shibu Krishnan MBBS, MS, MRCS, Dip Sports Med, FRCS (Tr and Ortho), PgC Innovation and Performance.*

*Consultant Orthopaedic Surgeon*



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# COMMERCIAL BREAK.

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BY DAMIAN IRVINE



**A**s we welcome you all to Adams Park for today's fourth home league match of the season, it is already that time of year when we look towards our plans and activities around the Christmas and festive period. I know it feels earlier every year, however we are now taking bookings for our fantastic joint Christmas parties here at Adams Park which have proven to be very popular in recent years. For families or businesses who are looking for a great party with raffles, entertainment and great food, it's an ideal party to join.

The fixture draw sees us at home on Boxing Day for the first time in three seasons, when we host Newport and we also have Tuesday's return fixture against Mansfield on the 30th December in a huge New Year's clash. Our December 16th match vs Chesterfield makes the ideal Christmas lunch and get-together with friends and family, so please get in touch and take advantage of

our matchday hospitality around any (or all!) of these fixtures.

Get in nice and early to secure your place at three fantastic home matches that will see the best your club has to offer in our hospitality areas. We have been receiving very positive reviews and feedback from home and away guests this season to date and the added value of your season ticket upgrade price of just £25 per match makes this some of the best value in any league so we urge you take advantage.

### Have you signed up to Unity?

Earlier this year Wycombe Wanderers launched the Wycombe Wanderers Unity Lottery, with all funds going to the Blues Development Fund to benefit all areas of football development at the club, including women's football.

The Wycombe Wanderers Unity lottery is the evolution of the previous Cashline, which ended with its last draw over the summer.

The new lottery enables us to raise

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more funds towards the Blues Development Fund, with 50% of each £1 going to the Fund, and also offer much bigger cash prizes of up to £25,000. The club lottery will continue as Cashline did, having funding going solely towards football development.

Players can join from just £1 a week and can pay either (and preferably) by monthly direct debit via the website link, or by cheque with a completed application form which can be picked up from Adams Park. Every pound will help the club.

Visit the website (club tab) to sign up.

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## SET make a splash

WWSET have teamed up with the Karima Foundation, with the help of Sportivate funding, to develop swimming lessons for Asian women and girls.



Due to religious customs and beliefs many Asian women and girls are unable access local leisure pools, and struggle to find venues where they can learn to swim, hence why there has been huge demand for this project and WWSET were only happy to assist.

WWSET recognise how important swimming is as an activity; not only is it a great form of exercise but also a lifesaving skill, and we hope our beginner lessons will help both children and young adults learn the basics of swimming over our 7-week project. Plans are also in place to continue these sessions after the funding period to turn our budding beginners into competent swimmers.

We are very grateful to have received Sportivate funding through our local County Sports Partnership LEAP ([www.leapwithus.org.uk](http://www.leapwithus.org.uk)), as part of the last round of the funding programme. Sportivate was launched in June 2011 as a four-year programme aimed at getting more 14-25 year-olds physically active but due to its success additional funding of £10m per year was invested allowing the programme to run until 2017. This funding has given WWSET the kick start it needed to provide these well needed sessions.

We are so pleased to say the sessions are already fully booked and we cannot wait to get started!

For more information please contact WWSET's Community Health Manager Sam Parker ([sam.parker@wwfc.com](mailto:sam.parker@wwfc.com)).

Wycombe Wanderers Sports & Education Trust

### FEMALE FOOTBALL 5-A-SIDE TOURNAMENT

An inter-school event for special educational needs pupils in Buckinghamshire & Berkshire

Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> October  
12:00 pm - 3:00 pm  
Wycombe Leisure Centre (HP11 1UP)

For more information or to register a team please contact WWSET Female Football Officer  
Tammy John:  
01494455736 | [femalefootball@wwfc.co.uk](mailto:femalefootball@wwfc.co.uk)

## Female football five-a-side tournament

WWSET are proud to introduce a female football five-a-side tournament for special educational needs pupils in Bucks and Berks.

The tournament takes place on Thursday 19th October at Wycombe Leisure Centre, from 12-3pm.

For more information, contact Tammy John on 01494 455736 or email [femalefootball@wwfc.com](mailto:femalefootball@wwfc.com).

## Guard of honour cashback initiative

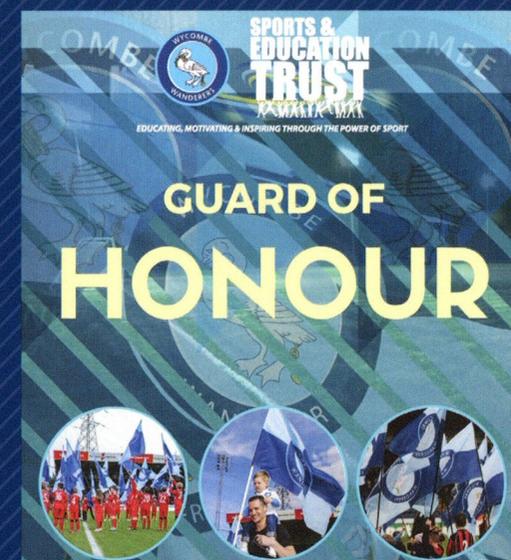
Wycombe Wanderers Sports & Education Trust would like to help YOU raise money for your school, junior football club or other community organisation through our fantastic Guard of Honour Cashback Initiative run in partnership with Wycombe Wanderers Football Club.

Each home 1st team fixture that the Chairboys play we look for a local group who would like to welcome the players onto the pitch as our official flag bearers who provide a Guard of Honour for the team to pass through. Not only does this allow you to be pitch side and as close to the action as possible, but the more support you bring down to the ground, the more money you can earn for your group.

Not only will you and all your party be eligible for discounted tickets...for every adult that attends as part of your group, we will give back to you £3. Also, for every child that attends we will give back to you £1. The money raised using the cashback initiative can go towards whatever might be required by you!

In the past various groups have put the cash towards many things including books, sports equipment, membership fees, televisions as well as fixing a roof!!

Book now for this exciting and rewarding experience for the 2017-2018 season by visiting our website.



Book now for our fantastic Guard of Honour Cashback Initiative run in partnership with Wycombe Wanderers Football Club.

## Book now for October half-term courses

The WWSET holiday courses serve as a fantastic way for us to engage with local youngsters via the provision of high-quality coaching activities in a fun and safe learning environment.

All the courses are based around football FUNDamentals and skill development using a carefully designed coaching curriculum which allows children of all levels of ability and experience the opportunity to make new friends as well as stay active both physically and mentally.

The courses include...

- Fun warm-ups
- Skill sessions
- Skill games
- Competitions
- Small sided games

All courses are delivered by WWSET's fully qualified, professional and experienced coaches who teach both basic and advanced techniques at a pace that suits each individual. To top it off; all children who attend a full course will receive a fantastic going-away gift.

We have welcomed over 400 participants onto our courses this summer (as of writing this article) and the feedback from both participants and parents has been excellent...

*"Edward normally hates football but he just loved this! Thank you!"*

*"Another enjoyable course. All 3 training staff were enthusiastic, motivating and highly skilled in teaching the boys."*

*"Fantastic course. My son loved it and the coaches were great. Many thanks."*

*"My daughter thoroughly enjoyed her week at Beaconsfield School. So much so she has asked to go back next week. The coaches are very chirpy and very well liked by the children. My daughter was always so eager to get there in the morning and be first to arrive. She always wanted to be the last to go to get as much time there as possible. Thanks guys for all your hard work, fun games and enthusiasm."*

As part of our courses, we have also been delighted to welcome many of our Wycombe Wanderers first team down to our activities this Summer. These player visits are always a huge hit with our participants and we'd like to extend our thanks to the playing staff for giving up their time to assist (...and in the case of Anthony Stewart for showing us his ballet skills!), and the first team management for facilitating the visits.

But with the Summer now at an end, our focus switches to the October and Christmas Soccer Schools (as they will now be called) which will quickly be upon us. Also, to coincide with the start of the new academic year, we have introduced some new features for our WWSET Soccer Schools in 2017/18.

For more information on the upcoming courses, including timings, schedules and fees, please visit [bookonline.wwset.co.uk](http://bookonline.wwset.co.uk).



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## A MASSIVE HELLO AND WELCOME TO OUR WYCOMBE WANDERERS MASCOTS TODAY!

### CHARLIE TOWERSEY

**Age:** 6

**School:** Foxhills Infant School, Ashurst, Southampton

**Hobbies:** Football, swimming, going for bike rides

**Favourite players:** The Beast and Matt Bloomfield

**Anything else?** Charlie's great-great grandad George Towersey watched Wycombe win the amateur cup in 1931 and Charlie's dad Mark Towersey, was the first Wycombe mascot at Loakes Park in August 1988.



### JOE SUTTON

**Age:** 12

**School:** Queensbury Academy

**Hobbies:** Football, skateboarding, snowboarding, surfing, sailing, cricket, swimming - in fact all sports!

**Favourite players:** Scott Kashket, Adebayo Akinfenwa, Michael Harriman and Paul Hayes

**Anything else?** I love all sports, I have visited 27 countries, I have a YouTube channel and I am learning to speak Spanish!



### LILLY POLLARD

**Age:** 7 (turning 8 tomorrow!)

**School:** Butlers Court School

**Hobbies:** Football, cricket, mixed martial arts and craft

**Favourite players:** The Beast and Luke O'Nien

**Anything else?** I have four Blue Peter badges!



### LUCAS MARTIN

**Age:** 7

**School:** Brill C of E School

**Hobbies:** Playing football, playing Fifa and reading

**Favourite players:** Marcus Bean, The Beast, JJ, Luke and Aaron

**Anything else?** In my first season of competitive football I scored 47 goals



### NATHAN PYNE

**Age:** 9

**School:** Crown Wood, Bracknell

**Hobbies:** Gaming on my PlayStation, golf, and football

**Favourite players:** Adebayo Akinfenwa, Sam Saunders and Luke O'Nien

**Anything else?** I am the fastest runner in my school year. I can do 8 keepee-uppies in a row.



### PETER SUMNER

**Age:** 7 (turning 8 tomorrow!)

**School:** Davenies, Beaconsfield

**Hobbies:** Football, rugby and cricket

**Favourite players:** Adebayo Akinfenwa, Sido Jombati and Matt Bloomfield

**Anything else?** I went to my first WWFC match aged three months. I have visited 29 countries, so far!



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# THE LAST WORD

BBC THREE COUNTIES AND IFOLLOW COMMENTATOR PHIL CATCHPOLE SHARES HIS VIEWS

**I**f a week is a long time in politics, then five years in football management must be like a lifetime.

The 29th of September will bring up the fifth anniversary of Gareth Ainsworth's first game in charge of Wycombe Wanderers. That's one year of service for every game Frank De Boer oversaw as the boss of Crystal Palace.

The ruthless sacking of the Dutchman this week has underlined what an insanely financially fuelled pressure cooker the Premier League is. The Eagles chairman, Steve Parish, wanted to move on from clinging onto dear life in the Premier League and the appointment of De Boer signalled a shift towards total football. It was a move so far-fetched from the rudimentary survival instincts of Sam Allardyce, that Parish admitted in the close season that it would be an "evolution over a period of time". 77 days to be precise.

At the top table of football, the game is overflowing with money and exposure. However, the one resource that is in scarce supply is time. Time to develop and learn the tricks of the trade whilst giving young players the opportunity to flourish. By far the most successful manager in England, Sir Alex Ferguson took nearly four years to win a trophy and seven years to land his first league title at Manchester United. Firing Fergie before he hit his stride at Old Trafford would have been like dropping David Bowie before the release of Hunky Dory.

Down here in EFL 2, it can be a different story. The five years in the hot seat at Adams Park for Gareth



Ainsworth have been an incredible learning curve with the club a width of a crossbar from going to the wall, to missing out on winning promotion at Wembley by 21 seconds. All of this has been carried out with an incredibly tight financial hand, which limits the opportunities to develop the squad, but it can also temper the expectations.

Scarce resources, getting the best out of small squads and knowing where every penny goes, being a manager in League Two is a million miles away from the Premier League. However, the pressure still exists, just in a different and far less lucrative form.

Motivating a dressing room of modestly rewarded professionals who haven't been paid on time or even at all. Having to build a side

around a raw young talent to help showcase him to attract a high transfer fee to keep the whole club afloat. Helping to decorate the training ground in the close season to save the club money and create the best environment possible for your players. These are the unsung tasks taken on by the heroes of the lower leagues and I would love to see Jose and Pep managing on a shoestring in the basement division. This would surely be the ultimate test of their tactical and man management skills and I'm sure Gareth and Jim Bentley would cover for them at Old Trafford and The Etihad respectively.

Of course, this will never happen but we can all dream right?

Enjoy the game!

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## WYCOMBE WANDERERS

**MANAGER:** GARETH AINSWORTH

- (GK) SCOTT BROWN 1 ■
- SIDO JOMBATI 2 ■
- JOE JACOBSON 3 ■
- DOMINIC GAPE 4 ■
- ANTHONY STEWART 5 ■
- ADAM EL-ABD 6 ■
- SAM SAUNDERS 7 ■
- MARCUS BEAN 8 ■
- MATT BLOOMFIELD 10 ■
- SCOTT KASHKET 11 ■
- PARIS COWAN-HALL 12 ■
- (GK) BARRY RICHARDSON 13 ■
- DAYLE SOUTHWELL 15 ■
- MICHAEL HARRIMAN 16 ■
- LUKE O'NIEN 17 ■
- DANNY ROWE 18 ■
- WILL DE HAVILLAND 19 ■
- ADEBAYO AKINFENWA 20 ■
- MAX MÜLLER 21 ■
- NICK FREEMAN 22 ■
- NATHAN TYSON 23 ■
- JACK WILLIAMS 24 ■
- CRAIG MACKAIL-SMITH 25 ■
- JOSH UMERAH 26 ■
- EBERE EZE 27 ■
- DAN SCARR 28 ■

## LUTON TOWN

**MANAGER:** NATHAN JONES

- 1 MAREK STECH (GK)
- 2 JAMES JUSTIN
- 3 DAN POTTS
- 4 ALAN MCCORMACK
- 5 JOHNNY MULLINS
- 6 SCOTT CUTHBERT
- 7 JACK STACEY
- 8 OLLY LEE
- 9 DANNY HYLTON
- 10 JORDAN COOK
- 11 ANDREW SHINNIE
- 14 HARRY CORNICK
- 16 GLEN REA
- 17 PELLY-RUDDOCK MPANZU
- 18 LUKE BERRY
- 19 JAMES COLLINS
- 21 JACK SENIOR
- 22 LUKE GAMBIN
- 24 LAWSON D'ATH
- 27 AARON JARVIS
- 33 KAVAN COTTER
- 35 ARTHUR READ
- 36 JAMES SHEA (GK)
- 37 FRANKIE MUSONDA
- 38 ELLIOT LEE
- 39 AKIN FAMEWO
- 40 HARRY ISTD (GK)
- 44 ALAN SHEEHAN

### OFFICIALS

**REFEREE:** JAMES LININGTON  
**ASSISTANTS:** STEVEN MEREDITH AND MARK RUSSELL  
**FOURTH OFFICIAL:** NIGEL LUGG

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