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JACK LESTER

As we look forward to today's game against Luton Town, I would like to welcome everyone to the Proact, including the opposition management team, players, staff and officials.

I'd like to give a special mention to Luton's assistant-manager Paul Hart, who I know well from my time at Nottingham Forest. Paul was one of the best coaches I have ever worked with and it will be good to see him again today.

We have to put last week's defeat against Accrington Stanley behind us and move on. Aaron Ramsdale has reacted well following a difficult debut. It'll do him good and he's been great this week. You learn when things get tough and I believe Aaron will go a long way in the game.

We came out of the Christmas period with a lot of injuries and we're working hard to strengthen the squad. We need a bit of experience and get the squad as competitive as we can and that's what my focus is on.

Some managers complain about the transfer window but I was pleased to be able to bring a few players in having lost a number of players to injury.

We let Reece Mitchell go this week and moving to Torquay United gives him an opportunity to get his career going. It also frees up some money to invest in the squad.

We can't stop the speculation regarding interest in some of our players. There has been some interest but there has been nothing to tempt us.

Playing games Saturday to Saturday for the next few weeks gives us the opportunity to work on a few things.

We're working on lots of things and the lads have been great in training this week and we have to be nice and positive.

It'll be a great challenge for us today. Luton have got some top players, but so have we and we have to be ready to compete.

Thank you, as always, for your support.

Jack



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MICHAEL DUNFORD

CLUB MATTERS

Good afternoon and welcome back to the Proact for today's match against high-flying Luton Town.

The Hatters will be hoping to end their exile in Division Two by gaining automatic promotion. From the start of this season they were being heavily tipped by bookmakers and people within the game to succeed but we all know how unpredictable this division can be so I am certain there will be no complacency within Kenilworth Road.

They have a financial capability beyond many clubs in this league so that in itself brings its own pressures. So to all the many Hatters fans with us today together with their directors and officials we wish them well in their quest, apart from obviously today!

Make no mistake, our desire to take maximum points today will be just as evident as their desire so it has the makings for a very interesting afternoon.

This week we moved our ticketing and Spire Lotto operations to within the Club Superstore. We feel our supporters will welcome this one-stop retail outlet as the Club Superstore environment is far more welcoming than subjecting supporters to purchasing tickets during the week from the three widows.

We now offer a 9-5, Monday to Friday retail option and only from 12noon on Saturday matchdays and from 5pm on midweek matchdays will tickets be sold via the matchday ticket windows. The staff have reacted very positively to the changes and they too look forward to being of service to you.

We are actively in negotiations to bring

another world class artiste/s to Proact Stadium during the month of June. The Proact is fast becoming recognised as being a major concert venue so watch this space for further details.

We will also be staging the Premier League Ladies Cup Final on Sunday, April 29 (kick-off 2pm) and then in May we will be hosting a number of games in the European Under-18 Youth Championships.

Whilst our league season may have finished, the Proact will be buzzing with excitement throughout the summer.

Back to today and I am certain you will give a rousing welcome to a number of players making their home debuts. Jack and his staff have worked tirelessly to strengthen the squad and the board have again tried to back them. There may be further movements in and out before the transfer window closes at the end of the month.

The end of the league season is now less than four months away so let's all get behind Jack and the players as they play their vital roles in helping us secure our EFL status. Your support home and away has been tremendous but as the Division Two roller coaster continues its journey, please shout loud and be proud.

Come on you Spireites!



Michael

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All 72 EFL Clubs have signed up to a new Chairman's Charter to help put an end to the dangerous use of pyrotechnics.

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Any supporter now found to be in breach of the terms of the Chairman's Charter will also face a minimum three-season Club ban.



ON THIS DAY



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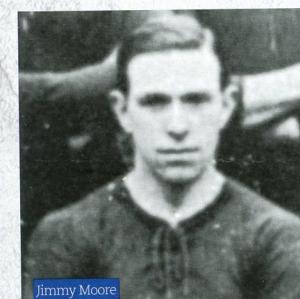
ON THIS DAY

Stuart Basson takes a look at Chesterfield's fortunes on this date in years gone by...

We've played 12 times as a Football League team on January 13. Our first fixture was a creditable goal-less draw against Small Heath in our first Football League season, 1899/1900. Stubborn defence by an injury-struck Town side was rewarded with a goal-less draw in an FA Cup match at Clapton Orient on this day in 1906. Chesterfield's Enoch Lunn struck the bar in the closing stages as a classic "smash and grab" victory almost came to pass. The Town club were successful in the Saltergate replay.

Another FA Cup tie followed, at home to the mighty Aston Villa, 80 years ago, and we came from behind to earn a 2-2 draw and a replay. All the games since then bar our most recent one have been in the league, and we enjoy a winning record, just, with four victories to our credit against three defeats. Last time out we achieved a 2-0 success against Scunthorpe United in an FA Cup replay, in 2015. Sam Clucas scored both goals for the Spireites.

This day in 1894 saw the Town travel to take on the Sheffield Club.



Jimmy Moore

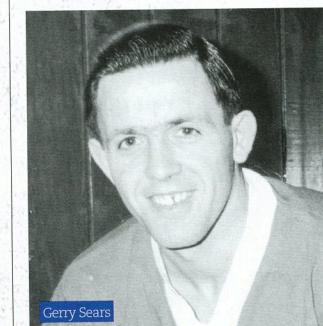


Enoch Lunn

Chesterfield Town took a three-nil half-time lead against Grimsby Town on this day in 1917, before collapsing in the second half to lose 5-4. These war-time games were not considered to be "first class" affairs: Jimmy Moore became the first player to perform the hat-trick for us and end up on the losing side, a feat later repeated by Ernie Moss in "proper" football against Walsall in 1981. Father and son Billy and Jack Butler played for the Mariners.

January 13 is the birthday of the long-serving Gerry Sears. Born in Arkwright Town in 1935, Gerry came through the junior ranks at Chesterfield and returned after completing National Service to a place in the reserves. His first few senior games were at outside-left

(from where he scored on his league debut) and, between his debut in April 1953 and August 1958, he played only 13 times, kept out of the side by the fine form of Freddie Capel. It was simply a question of biding his time, since the club knew they had a good player in Gerry, continuing to "retain" him long after other players of a similar age were tried and discarded. Eventually, he came in for the injured Ray DeGruchy for the second game of the '58/59 season and became a fixture thereafter.



Gerry Sears

Marvellously consistent, Gerry was ever-present for three seasons in a period when the side was often chopped and changed, and he currently stands eighth in the list of Chesterfield's league appearance-makers, with 412 appearances to his credit. Gerry's career came to a sudden end after he suffered a back injury against Exeter in February, 1968. Upon retirement from football, Gerry ran his own milk round for six years before working for the Tube Works in Chesterfield. Gerry sadly passed away in September 2014 and is remembered in the club's Memorial Garden, on the Wall of Fame.

CLUB NEWS

MORE TOKYO SPIREITES



Tokyo Spireite Koichiro Suzuki is a familiar figure at the club after making annual trips to watch the Spireites. A friend of his, Satoru Konishi, recently visited the Proact and he and his family were given a tour of the stadium.

The Konishi family met manager Jack Lester and Satoru later emailed commercial manager Jim Brown to say: "We all enjoyed the tour and also of course the hospitality and everything you and your staff gave us."

Satoru is pictured with Jack, joined by his wife Kazu, elder son You, younger son Jun and daughter Aoi.

A SPIREITE FOR 71 YEARS

Lifelong Spireite Alan Blackburn walked out on to the pitch before kick-off in the recent game against Colchester United.

Alan carried the matchball and joined the sponsors as they walked out to the centre circle, where they were photographed with the captains and match officials.

Fellow supporter Paul Makin contacted the club after Alan told him on Boxing Day that it was 71 years to the day since he first watched the Spireites. Commercial manager Jim Brown and media chief Nick Johnson then arranged the matchday treat.

Afterwards, Paul emailed Jim and Nick with the following message: "Just to say thank you for the experience that you made possible for Alan. He's still telling everyone about it."



TRUE BLUE TRAVEL

Travel to away matches with the club's official travel service, True Blue Travel.

YEOVIL TOWN Saturday, January 20

Kick-off: 3pm
Depart: 8am
Adults: £25
U16s: £15 (must be accompanied by an adult)

MORECAMBE Saturday, February 10

Kick-off: 3pm
Depart: 10.30am
Adults: £16
U16s: £9 (must be accompanied by an adult)

Concession prices are for under-16s who are accompanied by an adult. One concession per adult paying full price. Discounts available for season ticket holders.

You can book True Blue Travel places in person at the Proact Stadium ticket office or by phoning 01246 269300. Seats can also be booked online via the club website.

JIM WITHEFORD



Club officials were saddened to learn of the recent passing of Jim Witheford, who played nine times as an amateur for Chesterfield in the 1953/54 season. Jim passed away at the age of 87 while playing tennis in his home town of Launceston in Tasmania, Australia.

Jim emigrated in 1964 with his wife June and their two sons, Martin and Michael, to take up a teaching post, specialising in PE. His appearances for Chesterfield came on the right wing after he completed his teacher training course in Sheffield.

Following his wife's death two years ago, Jim returned to the UK on two occasions to visit old friends and relations. In July 2016, he visited the Proact and was welcomed by then-manager Danny Wilson and other members of staff. Jim's second favourite sport was always tennis and he went on to represent Tasmania in inter-state events all over Australia. Our thoughts are with Jim's family and friends at this time.



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LUTON TOWN FORM REPORT

Top of the table Luton Town visit the Proact today after having their minds on Cup action for the last week. Seven days ago, the Hatters travelled to Premier League Newcastle United in the FA Cup third round and they conceded three goals in quick time - from the 30th to the 40th minute - before leading scorer Danny Hylton pulled one back early in the second half and the game ended 3-1. Gateshead (5-0 away) and Portsmouth (1-0 at home) had been beaten in previous rounds.

On Tuesday this week, Peterborough United were hosted in the Checkatrade Trophy and the game ended goalless, with Posh going on to win 7-6 on penalties.

Luton surprisingly lost 4-0 at Port Vale at the end of last month, their only defeat in ten League Two games, seven of those matches being won and contributing to their now four-point lead at the head of the pack.

Big scores have been a feature of Nathan Jones' side this season. Luton opened up the campaign with an 8-2 hammering of Yeovil Town, Stevenage were seen off 7-1 whilst 7-0 was the score against Cambridge United, all of those games being at Kenilworth Road whilst away from home wins have included 5-0 at Swindon Town and 4-1 at Exeter City. They have contributed to Luton's 62 league goals, 16 more than any other League Two team. Their 1-0 victory against the Spireites back in September being the only time this season three points have been earned by that most common of score-lines.

TWO DOWN, FOUR TO GO

Luton Town manager Nathan Jones has signed a new four-year deal with the League Two leaders. The 44-year-old Welshman was appointed in January 2016 and had his contract extended until 2020 in March. Ex-Brighton and Yeovil full-back Jones left a coaching role with the Seagulls to take his first managerial job.

"We're in a real good place now and I think it shows the club want to move forward, and also that I see myself being here," he told the club website. "I've never made any secret of the fact I love my job here. We are building something and I'm delighted to rubber-stamp the fact that I want to be here."

Luton were 15th in the fourth tier when Jones took charge and in his first full season at the helm in 2016/17, he took the club to the League Two play-offs. He marked his second anniversary in charge of the Hatters last Saturday at St James' Park.

DID YOU KNOW?

Spireites haven't beaten Luton in six games in League & Cup since our last-gasp dramatic relegation saving 1-0 win on the last day of 2003-04



LAST LINE-UP VS NEWCASTLE UNITED

1 Stech
2 Justin
5 Mullins
16 Rea
3 Potts
8 Lee
17 Mpanzu (14 Cornick 45)
18 Berry
11 Shinnie (22 Gambin 82)
19 Collins (38 Lee 68)
9 Hylton

RECENT GAMES

Peterborough (H) EFLT2
DO-0 Lost on pens
Newcastle (A) FAC3 L1-3
Lincoln (H) L2 W4-2
Port Vale (A) L2 LO-4
Swindon (A) L2 W5-0
Grimsby (H) L2 W2-0



INTRODUCING...

LUTON TOWN

Matt Dawson spoke to reporter Mike Simmonds and fan Greg Pitcher to get the inside information on the Luton manager and three of their key players.

THE BOSS

NATHAN JONES

Reporter's view: "Nathan Jones has done superbly at Kenilworth Road and celebrated two years in charge last Saturday by signing a new four-year deal just two days before."

"The former Brighton coach has now fully implemented his ideas and style of football into the squad, which has been shown with the amount of goals scored by the Hatters and where they are in the league table."

"He's fiercely ambitious and passionate about his job and the 44-year-old Welshman is clearly one of the brightest up and coming managers in the game."

Fan's view: "Nathan is not only a talented manager - which you can see because of some of the stuff he's done with Brighton - but he's been asked to do some work with England U21s and he's been earmarked for a while as one for the future."

"You have to say that he's a brave manager because when he first came to Luton he

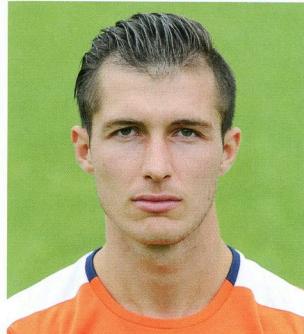


inherited a team that had just come up from the Conference and he tried to get them playing like Barcelona.

"It's a brave thing to do and I remember watching a game where we went to Wimbledon and lost 4-1 at a tiny non-league ground. We got battered but they were still knocking it around the defence. This was when he first joined and I remember thinking 'is this the right thing to do?'

"But two years on, we're top of the league and we're playing brilliant football - we've won two games 7-0, we've had an 8-2 and a couple of 5-0s and when it clicks the football is amazing. He's been a superb manager."

THREE TO WATCH



LUKE BERRY MIDFIELDER

Reporter's view: "He has been a fantastic addition from Cambridge during the August transfer window."

"He's a combative and genuine box-to-box midfielder who has a great engine and can get up and down the pitch all game, putting in a real shift."

"He's a definite goal threat as well, scoring a hat-trick against Stevenage and has bagged six in total since signing."

Fan's view: "Luke is integral to the way Luton play - this whole passing style that we have. Sometimes it can look a bit out of place and a bit frustrating in League Two."

"Certainly in previous seasons there's been a bit of disquiet about that, but now he's got some of the right people in the right spots with players like Luke Berry. When we're playing well, it makes us look a cut above League Two."

"The other thing with Luke is that he was brought in to score goals from midfield and he started a bit slowly. Then he got a hat-trick against Stevenage - our local rivals - and to get a hat-trick against Stevenage you become a bit of a club hero overnight so he's definitely in the fans' hearts now."



DAN POTTS DEFENDER

Reporter's view: "He's having his best season since turning pro at West Ham as a youngster, playing a key role in the Hatters' defensive efficiency that has seen them record 12 clean sheets."

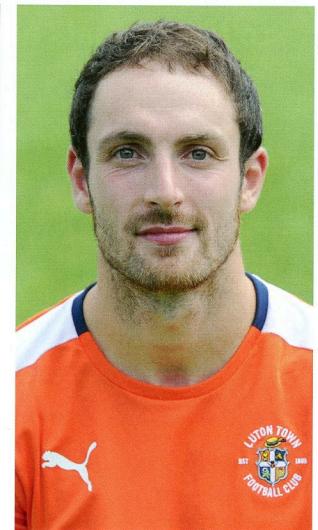
"He is a major threat from set-pieces at the other end too - netting six times - after managing just one in his career to date."

"Recently nominated for the League Two Player of the Month award, the left-back is having a magnificent campaign."

Fan's view: "In 1994, Dan Potts' dad played for West Ham - Steve Potts - and he gave the ball away to Scott Oakes in an FA Cup match and Luton went to Wembley. I thought that was the happiest a member of the Potts family would ever make me, but Dan Potts has taken it to new levels."

"He's a brilliant defender and he's hard working. He does everything you want from a defender."

"He gets up the wing and he keeps scoring goals as well, getting in and among the six-yard box when you think he's got no right to be up there, so he's now my favourite Potts!"



DANNY HYLTON FORWARD

Reporter's view: "He is without doubt the key man for Luton having scored 17 goals already this season, following on from the 27 he managed last campaign."

"The forward has been in the form of his life since joining Luton in the summer of 2016."

"He's loved by the fans and is a constant menace to visiting defenders, never giving them a moment's rest."



Fan's view: "His record is ridiculous! I think he's a bit of an irritant - defenders, opposing fans and officials get quite wound up by him and I can see why sometimes, but he keeps scoring goals so I think Luton fans love him."

"They love his passion and commitment and when he scores goals on a regular basis he's going to be fans' favourite."

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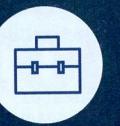
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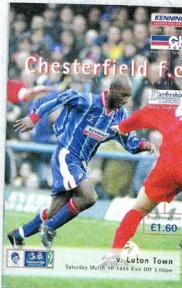
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IN OPPOSITION



PAST ENCOUNTERS

Richard Rutherford provides stats from some previous clashes between today's two teams, together with programme cover images from those games...



Chesterfield 3
Steve Wilkinson 52, 56
David Reeves 66

Luton Town 1
Phil Gray 82

Division Two
Saturday, March 20, 1999

Chesterfield: Billy Mercer, Shane Nicholson, Steve Blatherwick, Mark Williams, Jamie Hewitt, Chris Beaumont, Tom Curtis, Paul Holland, Jon Howard, David Reeves, Steve Wilkinson
Subs: Jason Lee, Mark Jules, Roger Willis

Luton Town: Kelvin Davis, Graham Alexander, Mitchell Thomas, Gavin McGowan, Marvin Johnson, Chris Wilmott, Gerry Harrison, Mathew Spring, Ray McKinnon, Phil Gray, Stuart Douglas
Subs: Gary Doherty, Paul McLaren, Liam George

Attendance: 3,921
Final Positions:
Chesterfield 9th
Luton Town 12th



Chesterfield 1
Glynn Hurst 90

Luton Town 0

Division Two
Saturday, May 8, 2004

Chesterfield: Carl Muggleton, Kevin Dawson, Steve Blatherwick, Ian Evatt, Alan O'Hare, Mark Allott, Derek Niven, Matk Hudson, Chris Brandon, David Reeves, Glynn Hurst
Subs: Gareth Davies, Mark DeBolla, Marvin Robinson, Mark Innes, Andy Richmond

Luton Town: Dean Brill, Alan Neilson, Sol Davis, Chris Coyne, Emmerson Boyce, Kevin Foley, Kevin Nicholls, Steve Robinson, Stephen O'Leary, Adrian Forbes, Enoch Showunmi
Subs: Michael Leary, Lee Mansell, Keith Keane, Curtis Davies, Morten Hyldgaard

Attendance: 6,285
Final Positions:
Chesterfield 20th
Luton Town 10th



Luton Town 3
Russell Perrett 36, Steve Howard 69, Dean Crowe 89

Chesterfield 0

Division Two
Saturday, August 31, 2002

Luton: Ben Roberts, Emmerson Boyce, Davd Bayliss, Russell Perrett, Sol Davis, Ahmet Brkovic, Kevin Nicholls, Mathew Spring, Paul Hughes, Dean Crowe, Steve Howard
Subs: Michael Leary, Enoch Showunmi, Marrew Blinkhorn, Keith Keane, Dino Seremet

Chesterfield: Carl Muggleton, Steve Payne, Kevin Dawson, Stuart Howson, Gareth Davies, Martin Booty, Chris Brandon, Mark Hudson, Mark Innes, Glyn Hurst, David Reeves
Subs: Jon Howard, Mark Allott, Andy Rushbury, Keith Rowland, Andy Richmond

Attendance: 6,060
Final Placings:
Luton Town 9th
Chesterfield 20th



Luton Town 1
Rowan Vine 49

League One
Saturday, September 11, 2004

Chesterfield: Carl Muggleton, Alex Bailey, Steve Blatherwick, Alan O'Hare, Shane Nicholson, Derek Niven, Mark Allott, Mark Hudson, Jamal Campbell-Ryce, Wayne Allison, Tcharn N'Toya
Subs: Mark De Bolla, Mark Innes, Aaron Downes, Gareth Davies, Andy Richmond

Attendance: 7,532
Final Placings:
Luton Town (C)
Chesterfield 17th

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THE UNLIKELY LADS

Football historian Leigh Edwards profiles five big-name Luton Town players not usually associated with the club

**COLIN TODD**

Ex-England international central defender Colin Todd appeared for Luton Town in 1984/85. Initially with Sunderland, he moved to Derby County in February 1971, starring as they won the First Division title in 1971/72 and 1974/75, when PFA Player of the Year. He joined Everton in September 1978, then played for Birmingham City and Nottingham Forest. Reuniting with Jim Smith at Oxford United in February 1984, he helped clinch the Third Division title and moved to Luton in October 1984, playing two league games. He later managed Middlesbrough, Bolton, Swindon, Derby County, Bradford City, Randers and Esbjerg.

**JOHN HARTSON**

Wales international striker John Hartson helped Luton Town reach the FA Cup semi-finals in 1993/94. Signing professional for Luton in December 1992, he netted 11 goals in 54 league games before sold to Arsenal for £2.5m in January 1995. He scored in the 1995 ECWC final, moving to West Ham for £3.2m in February 1997. Leading marksman in 1997/98, he joined Wimbledon for £7,000,000 in January 1999 and had a spell with Coventry City prior to joining Celtic in August 2001. He starred in their 2001/02 'treble' triumph and joined West Brom for £500,000 in July 2006, gaining a total of 51 caps.

**PAUL DICKOV**

Luton Town's former loan striker Paul Dickov was capped ten times by Scotland. Signing professional for Arsenal in December 1990, he was loaned to Luton in October 1993 and scored once in 15 league games. A member of the Gunners' triumphant 1994 ECWC squad, he moved to Manchester City for £1m in August 1996. Starring in three promotion campaigns, he joined Leicester City in February 2002 and was leading scorer in their 2002/03 promotion success. He then appeared for Blackburn Rovers, Manchester City again, Leicester again and Leeds United, since managing Oldham Athletic and Doncaster Rovers.

**PAUL ALLEN**

Former England U-21 midfielder Paul Allen had a loan spell at Luton Town in 1994/95. From a notable football family, he signed professional for West Ham in July 1979 and was the youngest FA Cup finalist at 17 years 256 days in their 1980 Wembley triumph. He moved to Tottenham Hotspur for £400,000 in June 1985 and was an FA Cup winner again in 1991. Joining Southampton for £500,000 in September 1993, he was loaned to Luton in December 1994 and made four league appearances. Allen moved to Swindon Town in October 1995. He later played for Bristol City, Millwall and Purfleet and currently works for the PFA.

**MATTHEW UPSON**

Former Luton Town central defender Matthew Upson gained 21 England caps. Signing professional for Luton Town in April 1996, he made his only league appearance for the Hatters as a substitute in their 1-0 win over Rotherham four months later and joined Arsenal for £1m in May 1997. He featured in their 1997/98 Premier League title campaign and was a member of the 2001/02 'double' winning squad. Loaned to several clubs, he moved to Birmingham City for £2m in January 2003, then joined West Ham for £6m in January 2007. He has since played for Stoke City, Brighton, Leicester City and MK Dons.



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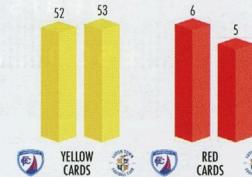
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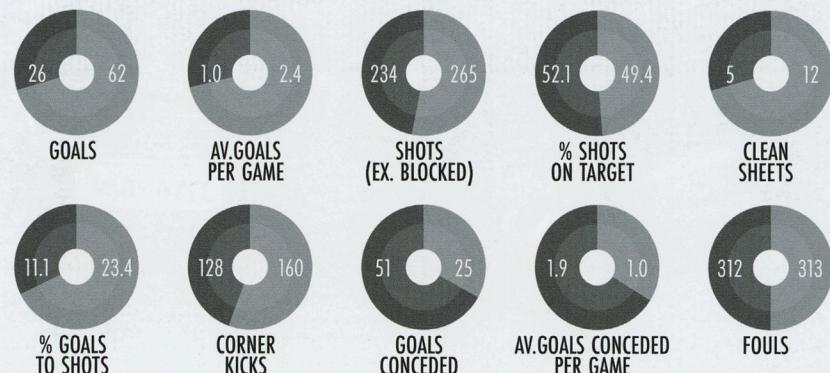
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Chesterfield have failed to score in any of their last three meetings with Luton in all competitions (D1 L2) and are winless in six against them (D2 L4).

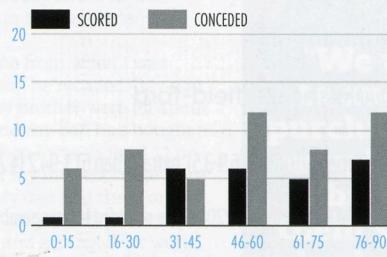


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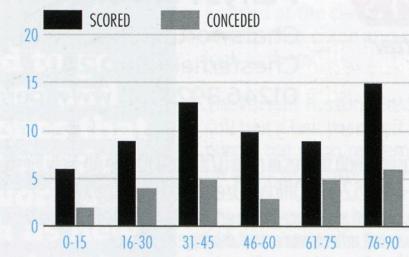
Although Luton haven't visited Chesterfield in the Football League since a 2-2 draw in 2008, they have won three of their last six such trips in all competitions (D1 L2).



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Matt Adams continues to delve into the backgrounds of players and find out what they do away from football. In this instalment, he talks to Robbie Weir about his interest in cars...

As an experienced footballer, Spireites midfielder Robbie Weir has probably fielded a lot of questions from fellow professionals during his career about the game, but also about cars.

Weir used to invest in cars along with his father and the Northern Irishman admits that there have been times where team-mates have sought his opinion.

"There were one or two who asked me what I thought," he said. "And I passed on my general knowledge about what we were dealing with at that time.

"It was mainly used cars that we invested in, ones that you're looking for a quick turnover on for first-time buyers. We used to go to auctions and purchase ones that may have needed a bit of work on them such as new brakes or tyres, things like that."

So how did his interest in cars come about and is he still active in the car trade?

"It came from when I was younger," he recalled. "My dad and my brother were all about cars and my dad had bought a few when I was around 11 or 12 and my interest came from that. My dad had three or four at one stage, he kept them at home and arranged for work to be done on them."

"As the years went on and I started to earn money I started

MY SECRET VICE



to invest as well with my dad and we found it to be a nice little earner.

"I've not done it for a couple of years now, especially since my little girl was born, but I still have a look to see what's about, so if the right deal comes about you never know, I may get back involved."

Like many who invest in motors, Weir and his father looked at all sorts of models from different manufacturers. Once bought they were stored at his father's home in Northern Ireland.

And while he's not sold one to a team-mate, a family member has previously purchased one from him.

Weir said: "They were mainly easy ones for people to buy, like Vauxhall Corsas, Renault Clio and Peugeot 206s. We found that they always sold well."

"We sold one to my cousin once, but we mainly sold them through the network like Auto Trader and on Gumtree. People jumped at the chance and would often come and have a look at them."

The former Burton Albion man still has a few years left as a player, but upon retirement is he likely to return to the trade?

"We used to go to auctions and purchase ones that may have needed a bit of work on them such as new brakes or tyres, things like that"

"I don't think I'd like to go and be a car salesman for a dealer to be honest," he added. "If I were to consider it, I'd maybe go back and do what I did with my dad."

THE ACADEMY

COACH OUTLINES PLANS

With no EFL Youth Alliance North East fixture until Saturday, January 27, it has been important to have had the Derbyshire Senior Cup match against Belper Town and to have the friendly match with Handsworth Parramore this Tuesday (7.30pm).

The matches will allow the young players to gain experience playing against men and we're trying to arrange more fixtures against local teams to introduce them to that environment.

Last week we played against Sheffield United's development side and we put in a really good performance. Now we're looking to get the best fit for the team.

Before Christmas, the lads were on their level two coaching course and we couldn't train properly for a while, so these fixtures will be good for their fitness levels.

It's not ideal as we'd like to be playing every week, but we have to adapt and that's why we're trying to get games.

Not all our players have



been without involvement on a Saturday, with Charlie Wakefield and Ify Ofoegbu having been recently appearing on the first team's substitutes bench.

Those two players are going to make our team better. They must transfer all their first-team experience to the youth team and that's what we'll be demanding off them.

They have been close to the first team and I'm going to be demanding more off them. They are both doing well.

My target for the rest of the season is to finish as high as we can in the league. I want us to try and win the league, but you must remember that we're here for developing players for the first team, so in this part of the season we're going to be focusing more on the individual.

We will have a lot of young players involved and as we're looking towards next season, there'll be four or five players involved from the U16s. It'll be beneficial for them, for me and for the club.

Getting that four to six months' experience for those who've already been awarded scholarships is going to be important for them as they'll close the gap for what they'll find next season.

I've already told them that if we finish high up in the league it'll be because we're doing well and they'll get a lot more minutes.

It's also an important few months for our second-year scholars, with a decision on their futures being decided later in the season.

They have to do their best; the decisions will be made by Mark Smith and Jack Lester.

Jack is a person who likes to see us play and I think it's really important for him to see our games. It's a massive boost for the players when he comes to watch us.

Miguel Llera

AUGUST COALSCORERS

Tue 8	Mansfield Town	A	YA	1-1	Fowler (p)
Sat 12	Lincoln City	H	YA	1-0	Phillips
Sat 19	Scunthorpe United	A	YA	2-3	Foster, Fowler
Sat 26	Tranmere Rovers	H	YAC	1-1	Phillips

SEPTEMBER

Sat 9	Rotherham United	H	YA	4-5	Rawson (3), Phillips
Sat 23	Bradford City	A	YA	1-4	Rawson
Sat 30	Doncaster Rovers	H	YA	2-1	Willcock, Foster

OCTOBER

Sat 14	Burton Albion	A	YA	1-0	Rawson
Sat 28	Oldham Athletic	H	YA	3-2	Hand (2), Amantchi

NOVEMBER

Thu 2	Notts County	H	FAYC1	3-1	Ofoegbu, Ebanks (OG), Phillips
Sat 11	Grimsby Town	A	YA	1-2	Rawson
Tue 14	Port Vale	H	FAYC2	2-1	Willcock, Rawson
Sat 18	York City	H	YA	5-3	Rawson (2), Feurtado, Holmes, Foster

DECEMBER

Sat 2	Notts County	H	YA	1-3	Sharman
Fri 15	Swansea City	A	FAYC3	0-2	-

JANUARY

Sat 27	Doncaster Rovers	A	YA	11:00	
Tue 24	Oldham Athletic	A	YA	12:00	

FEBRUARY

Sat 10	Bradford City	H	YA	11:00	
Sat 17	York City	A	YA	11:00	
Sat 24	Grimsby Town	H	YA	11:00	
Sat 28	Lincoln City	A	YA	11:00	

MARCH

Sat 3	Burton Albion	H	YA	11:00	
Sat 10	Rotherham United	A	YA	11:00	
Sat 17	York City	A	YA	11:00	
Sat 24	Grimsby Town	H	YA	11:00	

APRIL

Sat 7	Hartlepool United	H	YA	12:00	
Sat 14	Notts County	A	YA	11:00	
Sat 21	Mansfield Town	H	YA	11:00	

MAY

Sat 5	Scunthorpe United	H	YA	11:00	
TBA	Hartlepool United	A	YA	P-P	

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3	Rotherham United	11	5	6	0	22	12	10	21
4	Lincoln City	12	5	2	5	18	15	3	17
5	Notts County	11	5	1	5	25	22	3	16
6	Chesterfield	11	5	1	5	22	24	-2	16
7	Scunthorpe United	10	4	3	3	15	12	3	15
8	Burton Albion	10	5	0	5	11	14	-3	15
9	Bradford City	11	4	2	5	14	14	0	14
10	Grimsby Town	11	4	1	6	15	17	-2	13
11	Doncaster Rovers	11	3	3	5	12	18	-6	12
12	Hartlepool United	10	1	3	6	13	19	-6	6
13	York City	10	1	1	8	10	25	-15	4



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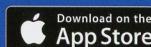


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NEXT GENERATION

ZAK WALKER

How did your move to Chesterfield come about?

I started off at Sheffield United and I was there for six years and then at U16s I came here after I got released. I could tell there was a good vibe straight away. It's the same at all clubs and the lads are all very welcoming.

How proud a moment was it to be offered a scholarship not long after you'd joined?

They told us they were giving five out and I kind of gave myself the best opportunity to get one and I thought I had a good season, so I think I deserved one.

How did you find the FA Youth Cup tie against Swansea City?

It was a good experience and I really enjoyed it. I think if we'd have taken our chances – the few we had – we could have got through.

What's your natural position?

Through the U16s I played as a

number 10 so I got a lot of the ball, but Miguel [Llera] wants me on the left wing so I can cut in and get my shots off. I enjoy it out on the wing as well, I get a lot of space to run at players, which I enjoy doing. I like getting at players in one vs ones and putting the ball into the box.

Where do you think you'll finish in the league?

Personally, I think we can win the league and I don't think there are many teams in this league that can beat us. We've had a few unfair results, like at Rotherham when we scored four goals and then slacked a bit at the end and they scored in the last minute to equalise.

How demanding is Miguel Llera?

Miguel makes us run a lot, but I'm really enjoying playing under him. He always tells us to hard work and that rewards will come if we do.



Born: 28/4/2001
Joined: 2016
Position: Midfielder

First-year scholar Zak Walker has enjoyed his first few months at the Proact and is now targeting a regular run in the team and a strong second half of the season.

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Laurence Maguire is the latest player to take part in our light-hearted Q&A...

What was the FIRST football match that you attended?

It was Manchester United v Liverpool. There was a competition at school and I won the tickets as a prize. The match was at Old Trafford and United won 2-1.

What were the FIRST pair of football boots that you owned?
They were Adidas Predators.

What was the FIRST piece of advice you were given after you turned professional?

It was to kick on, concentrate and work hard behind the scenes to be able to push into the first team.

What was the make and model of your FIRST car?

My first car was a Mini One.



What was the FIRST single or album that you bought?

It was one by Gareth Gates

What was the LAST song that you heard on the way into training this morning?

I was listening to Joey Barton rambling on on talkSPORT, but the last song I heard was Perfect by Ed Sheeran.

What was the LAST meal you prepared?

It was on Saturday when I had porridge with honey on top.

Where did you LAST go on holiday?
That was Kos in Greece.



Who was the LAST team-mate you beat on Fifa?

Connor Dimaio. We always have good games when we play each other.

Who is the LAST person to bring banter to the changing room?

Sam Hird, though he always tries to.



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Portsmouth are asking supporters for more feedback on a design for a new club crest.

Fans were able to vote in November on various different design concepts and the list has now been narrowed down to four following discussions.

The initial survey saw 4,000 fans vote.

BANTAMS FAN'S ROAD TRIPS

Steve Gorringe, a 65-year old retired fireman, is in charge of organising trips to every single Bradford City away game.

He has only missed eight games in 25 years, with a trip to MK Dons in October his most recent no-show. Speaking to The Times, Steve explained the reason for his absence: "My wife had an op – well, she had half a lung out, to be fair."

Steve has named the away coach 'Shipley Bantams on Tour' and his latest away game trip was a 17-hour round-trip, seeing his beloved side lose 2-0 to Yeovil Town in the FA Cup.

BORO LEGEND REWARDED BY FAN

Middlesbrough legend Bernie Slaven was handed a £20 note by Boro fan Stephen Urwin 20 years after his testimonial match.

Urwin was unable to attend the game in 1996 and after spotting Slaven in the street, he couldn't resist giving him £20, which would have been the price of a ticket.

Due to the kind gesture, Slaven wants to invite Urwin to a future game.

Slaven is sixth in the list of Boro's all-time leading goalscorers, netting 147 times in 381 appearances.

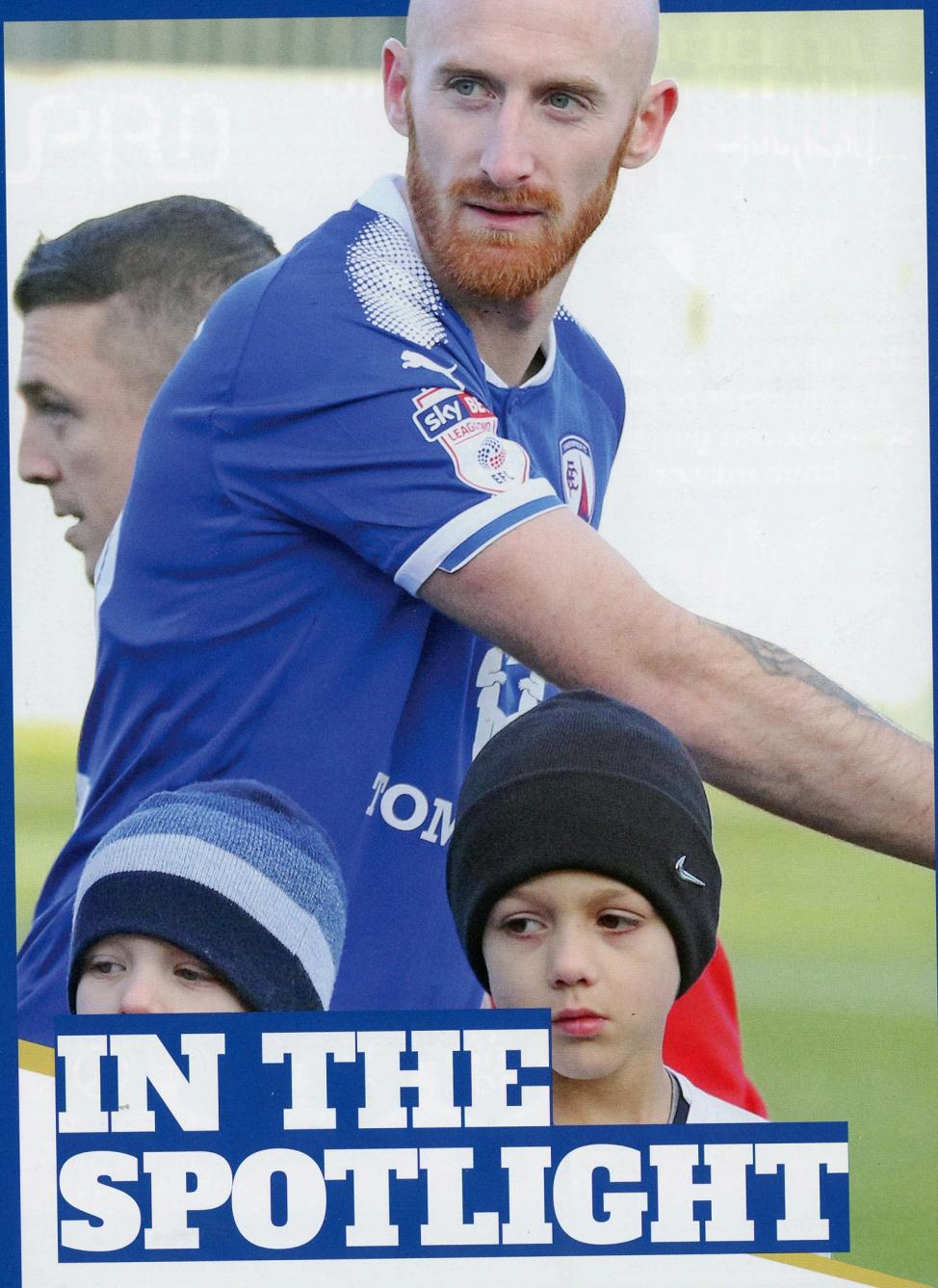


SCHOOL BUILDS LINKS WITH IMPS

A partnership has been forged between Newark's Magnus Church of England Academy and Lincoln City, which give students the opportunity to visit the club and give them an insight into careers available in sport.

The link-up includes player visits to the school and an agreement for players to attend sports events and award assemblies.

PE teacher Charlie Bilbie told the Newark Advertiser: "We are the first secondary school that Lincoln City FC has offered this kind of experience to and we are grateful for the opportunity."



IN THE SPOTLIGHT

DREW TALBOT

DREW TALBOT'S return to the Proact from Portsmouth generated a lot of excitement amongst the Spireites supporters last month and **MATT ADAMS** caught up with him to find out what it was that brought him back to the Proact and what is his favourite goal in Town colours...

How does it feel like being back with the Spireites, where you belong?
Mitch3III_ and weeblekelly via Instagram

It's great. Sometimes when you leave a club you never expect to go back, so I'm really grateful for the opportunity to come back.

Everyone knows how much I love the club so I'm keen to knuckle down and get out there.

My two young children are massive Chesterfield fans, so I'll probably be back with them to watch the Spireites when I've retired.

It's been nice to see old friends in the changing room and I'm making new friends with the lads. I've been made to feel really welcome.

Why did you come back to Chesterfield? Was it just the opportunity to be back at Chesterfield or to be managed under Jack? _tomjg via Instagram and NathWilson17 via Twitter

Even though things didn't work out at Portsmouth, I had a brilliant time down there, but I wanted to come back up north as my family was living up here.

I had a conversation over the summer about it, but nothing materialised. I then spoke to Jack Lester, who I played with and have so much respect for. When I found out there was a chance to come back, it was hard to turn down.

How do experienced players like yourself help in the dressing room with young players and non-league players coming into the team? Or do you see yourself as "new" at the moment? Phil Marsden via Facebook



"Sometimes when you leave a club you never expect to go back, so I'm grateful for the opportunity to come back"

Football has a really strange way of going about things. You can walk into a changing room and it feels as though you've been there a long time.

I'm not the most vocal, but if something needs to be said I'll say it. I tend to do my talking on the pitch with how I play football and if that inspires the younger lads to see how a more experienced professional goes about it then that's great.

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**DREW
TALBOT**



Out of everywhere you've played, which position have you enjoyed the most? Paul Eggleston via Facebook
That's a good one! I do enjoy playing at full-back, though it didn't come naturally to me at first.

I was always a more forward-thinking player and I enjoyed playing as a striker when I was younger. I liked playing on

best one I scored was against Burton Albion in the Johnstone's Paint Trophy.

It was from just inside the opposition half and I lobbed the 'keeper.

What are your goals for Chesterfield FC this year? Clean sheets Etc DazzaYT via Twitter

I've not signed here to come back and get relegated, so the goal is to get out of the situation we're in – I wouldn't have come if

that's the case.

So, I want to play games and hopefully that'll lead to something more next season.

What has been the highlight of your career to-date? Paulbowden92 via Twitter

I've been lucky to have had four promotions and to play at Wembley twice, but the highlight was to score in

"I've not signed here to come back and get relegated, so the goal is to get out of the situation we're in – I wouldn't have come if that's the case"

the wing too and when I played there for Chesterfield I scored a few goals and really enjoyed it.

But I've settled in at full back, either right or left. It's my position now and I enjoy doing what I can to help the team.

What is your favourite goal in a Chesterfield shirt? Emma Purdy via e-mail

That's another good question, but the

the Play-off final for Sheffield Wednesday. I was only 18 at the time I managed to get on and score.

What's your favourite Chesterfield memory? Sadlerjames1 via Instagram

The promotions. The first one here at the Proact was brilliant. We had a good group of players and some of the football we played in the second promotion was really good.

It's not easy to get promoted, it's tough, so they were real achievements.

I was fortunate enough to play at Wembley too, so there was more than one highlight.

One word to describe the gaffer, Jack Lester? c.cfc.w via Instagram
Winner.

Excluding Jack, who's the manager you've enjoyed playing for the most? Paul Eggleston via Twitter

I'd say John Sheridan. The first three or four years was some of the best football I played.

He even helped me to get some games at Plymouth. Sometimes you have a relationship with a manager and he brings the best out of you. He did that for me.

Who would be your dream team-mate? Rachel Needham via Facebook

As a full-back, I'd say David Beckham. He brought the best out of other people and would've been awesome to play with.

Who's the best player you have played with and against? Sarah Needham via Facebook

That's a good question. I played with Steve MacLean when I was at Wednesday and he was someone I looked up to. I tried to mirror how he played.

Against? I'd say Xabi Alonso, who was mesmerising.

OFF THE PITCH

Do you have a pre-match ritual? Yogi Oldfield via Facebook and Emma Purdy via e-mail

I don't really, nothing's ever the same, though I do like to come out of the changing room last that's something I've always done.

Noel or Liam? Michael South via Facebook

I'm not really a fan of either, though I'd say Noel.

What's your dream car? Shawnee Louise Topham via Facebook

I like my old cars, so I'd say a big Ford GT, even though I'd be paying for it for the rest of my life [laughs].

What are your hobbies away from football?

My kids take up most of my time and I love being a dad.

I also like watching golf, playing snooker and pool. I'm very active and a bit of a jack of all trades.

I've heard you're into NFL, who do you think will win the SuperBowl?

I do like the NFL and I'm a Denver Broncos fan. Though ever since they lost Peyton Manning, it's gone downhill a little bit. They need to put their hands in their pocket and get a good quarter back.

I think the Philadelphia Eagles will win it this year - they've been brilliant.

You're hosting a dinner party and are inviting three guests, who would they be and why?

I'd invite Eric Cantona, because he was one of my idols growing up and I think he'd have some good stories to tell. Denzel Washington, as he's a brilliant actor and the other would be Cristiano Ronaldo. I'd love to pick his brain about a few bits of bobs, particularly how he goes about things.





ACCRINGTON STANLEY

Hughes 19, McConville 32, Jackson 47, Kee 89

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The Spireites suffered a big defeat at The Crown Ground, despite the batch of debutants in Jack Lester's team. After an even start, Stanley conjured up an opener when a short corner routine caught out the visitors and centre-back Mark Hughes converted from just outside the six.

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Chapman, Johnson ■, Richards-Everton, Hughes, Donacien (Dunne 52), Clark, Nolan, Brown, McConville, Jackson ■ (McLeod 76), Kee (Sykes 89). Subs (not used): Stryjek, Ogle, Hmami, Watson.



Home skipper Sean McConville, who'd orchestrated the earlier corner, blasted in a top-corner cracker from outside the box to put his side two-up on 32 and only rarely did that lead look like being threatened.

Ex-Chesterfield keeper Aaron Chapman had to make a number of good saves. The Spireites had five shots on target plus a number of efforts blocked before Chapman was needed. Stanley, with another former Proact man, Jordan Clark, in fine form, ended the contest at the start of the second half when a speculative low ball in by Kayden Jackson squirmed in at the near post whilst Billy Kee rounded things off at the end with a tap-in following an Aaron Ramsdale save.

**Chesterfield**

Ramsdale, Talbot, Nelson, Maguire ■, Binnom-Williams (McCourt 46), Rowley (Kellett 70), Reed, Weir, Kay (German 78), Hines ■, Dennis. Subs (not used): Parkin, Dimaiq, De Girolamo, Ofoegbu.

Referee

Chris Sarginson (Staffs)

Chesterfield manager Jack Lester:

"Basic errors cost us this game. We need to be better in certain situations. We know where we're at. That wasn't good enough. There were bright spots today despite the result. I wouldn't say we were outplayed, it's just been a difficult day. Josh Kay was bright and Zavon Hines was bright, it was just that we weren't good enough in between the two boxes. On the whole, though, I think we will be okay."

Accrington manager John Coleman:

"I was delighted with the first-half performance but we stopped doing what we're good at and we were gifted a couple of goals. We can breathe a sigh of relief; you'll always take a 4-0 with a clean sheet. We want to score goals and excite the crowd and after slowing down we picked it up again in the last ten minutes or so. Our first two goals were crackers."

**Match Facts**

- Four debuts for the club saw Sid Nelson become League Player #1145, Zavon Hines is #1146, Josh Kay #1147 and Aaron Ramsdale #1148, the number being determined by who signed first in the event of simultaneous debuts. Returning Drew Talbot is #986.
- The loss means it's six losses and a draw in our seven visits to The Crown Ground.
- Zavon Hines' appearance was unusual; his previous game in the Football League was for Southend United last season, at the Proact, when Chesterfield lost 4-0, so consecutive league appearances and consecutive 4-0 losses for the Spireites with one appearance against and one for us.
- Aaron Ramsdale became the fifth keeper selected to start a league game this season, equalling a club record last witnessed in 1999/2000 (Gayle, Leaning, Armstrong, Vaughan & Muggleton).
- Drew Talbot was making his 245th Spireites league appearance. Next most? A 61st game for Kristian Dennis and 26 for Louis Reed.



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Continuing in the series, Pete Whiteley from the Community Trust looks at another memorable shirt from the past.



The home shirt worn for the 1998/99 and 1999/2000 season is notable for two reasons. The first is that it is widely considered to be one of the least favoured shirts, but it is also the first Chesterfield shirt to bear squad names.

For a shirt that might have been described as essentially blue, this particular one certainly had a lot going on! There were wide scribble stripes of variated royal blue between lighter blue stripes that reduced almost to white on their edges. The trim was predominately red with white and light blue detailing. This rather messy shirt was paired with blue rather than white shorts and solid blue socks with a red and white trim.

Produced by Super League, this shirt was the only one sponsored by Kenning. The full sponsors logo actually read 'Kenning Car Van & Truck Rental'. This was the snappy

company name at the time for the vehicle hire section of the famous Chesterfield-based Kenning empire. The current name for the Slough-based version of that company is Sixt Rent a Car.

Although the shirt was worn for two seasons, there was a fundamental change for the 1999 version. It was this season that saw the introduction of squad numbers. This meant for the first time Chesterfield players had their own dedicated and numbered shirts.

Our first named number 2 was Jamie Hewitt while the number 9 shirt was worn by David Reeves. The now iconic number 14 belonged then to Chris Beaumont. Another well remembered legend was the number 5, Steve Blatherwick. Slightly less of a favourite, Jason Lee, started three games that season in the number 15 shirt. Through the season we went as high as 33, which was worn by Neil Pointon in ten games.



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The under-10's finished third overall against two West Brom teams and a Norwich side. They did beat the eventual winners, West Brom, in the group but they finished third



overall after winning a third-place play-off.

It was an excellent performance from the boys who showed that they could compete with Premier League and Championship development programmes. For a programme as young as ours, this is something that everyone involved can be really proud of.

I just want to say a massive thank you to the parents who gave up their day to take the players to West Brom and give them the opportunity to play against these teams. Without them, the fixtures that we play wouldn't be possible.





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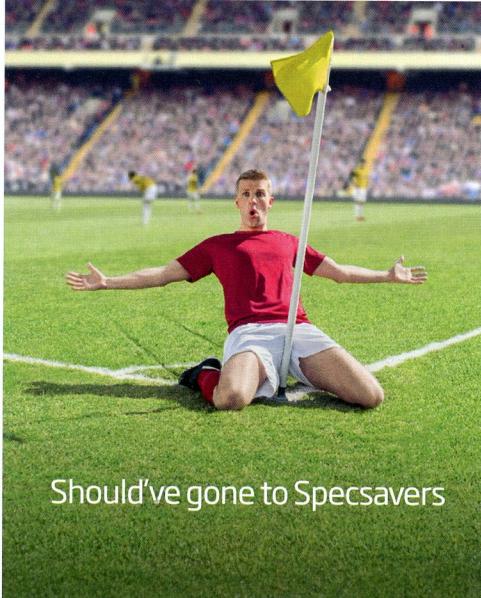
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THEY DO WHAT THEY WANT, THEY DO WHAT THEY WANT

By Howard Borrell

Remember a few months ago when Sergio Aguero was so unlucky to choose a dodgy taxi driver to get him back to his private jet in Amsterdam after attending an evening gig? The Manchester City player was the only one in the car to sustain an injury after the taxi driver ploughed into a lamp post. The jet was due to leave Amsterdam at midnight so Aguero may have arrived home around 2am and, if he's the sort that can drop off easily, he may have nodded off around 3am. Training was scheduled to follow at 10am.

Of course players should be treated as adults and Pep Guardiola, the City boss, seemed very relaxed about what happened: He passed off the trip to Amsterdam as "no big deal" and explained that "a player is entitled to do whatever he wants on his day off." Really Pep... anything?

Of course, underneath, Guardiola must have been seething and it's doubtful if any City player has tried a similar stunt since. For a

long time the manager had been lukewarm about Aguero but his early season, free-scoring form Guardiola has seemed won over. It's doubtful if Aguero's crazy antics will be forgotten!

At Chelsea, Diego Costa is no more. The public may see a player that was harshly treated but there is always more to everything than meets the eye. Regularly, after a Saturday match, Costa would take a private after jet back to Madrid and return in time for Monday training. It was common for him not to train well on his return. Antonio Conte wasn't happy but Costa broke no club rules; the literally jet-setting lifestyle didn't endear him to the rest of the squad either. At the time Chelsea needed his goals and the unrest was "brushed under the carpet" but once the title was won it was pay-back time.

Conte's text was well publicised but had been well planned. All teams need leaders on and off the pitch who do the right thing. Costa was a good leader who set the wrong example and could

have had a longer term negative effect. Sometimes decisive action (that can appear harsh) is the only logical way forward.

The end of the cricket season saw an even worse example of how to let the side down. Another example that professional sportsmen really aren't bastions of responsibility. The behaviour of Ben Stokes and Alex Hales after a night out in Bristol took irresponsibility to a new level and the initial arrest of Stokes on the suspicion of causing actual bodily harm meant that he didn't fly out to Australia with the rest of the Ashes tour party at the end of October.

We've all seen the apprentice youngsters that have got their first contract – they think they've made it and behave with an arrogance that shocks. Well those that should be setting them an example aren't setting a very good one so – for the imminent future – sadly you should expect to see the next generation copying those that set such bad examples.

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LEGENDS CALENDAR - PART 2

Following on from my previous column, here's the rest of the former players who feature in the Spireites Legends calendar...

Gordon Banks: Signed by CFC's juniors aged 17 in 1955 and signing pro after National Service, he made his first-team debut November 29, 1958 against Colchester. He won 73 England cap and of course featured in the fantastic 1966 World Cup campaign. Gordon is viewed by many as the best English keeper ever. He received an OBE and was also Football Writers' Footballer of the Year in 1972. Representative selections included two under-23 caps and six games for Football League 11. He won medals with Leicester in the '61 and '63 FA Cup and '65 League Cup with Stoke.

Jamie Hewitt: 488+18 FL appearances; 26 goals. Jamie played for his boyhood club almost all his career. Making his debut at Plymouth before signing pro. He was released in 1992 and signed for Doncaster. He returned in October '93, confident and experienced. Jamie is remembered for scoring Chesterfield's equaliser at Old Trafford in the FA Cup semi-final in 1997, creating a special moment in the club's history.

Kevin Davies: 113+16 FL appearances, 22 goals. Chesterfield's second-youngest league player and youngest to play for any club in the Football League Cup. An England youth international, he came from our youth team, signing pro at 17. The club's top league goal scorer in their '94/95 promotion season. In '96/97, a brilliant hat-trick against Bolton helped Chesterfield reach the FA Cup semi-finals.

Sean Dyche: 219+12 FL appearances, 8 goals. Sean

played seven seasons, helping the Spireites reach their first Division Four play-off final. His seventh season was his best, remaining 'ever-present'. Sean was good at boosting confidence. Captain for the FA Cup semi-final at Old Trafford, with great determination, Sean took the penalty and scored giving the Spireites a 2-0 lead.

Ernie Moss: 705+11 appearances, 245 goals (CFC record). Ernie's debut was at Bradford in 1968, and he signed pro days later. Young Ernie was raw and Jim McGuigan worked hard on him. Ernie and Kevin Randall developed a great understanding and scored 20 league goals, helping CFC win the Fourth Division championship. Shaw sold Ernie to Peterborough. Arthur Cox brought him back in 1979. At Saltergate, Ernie had two good seasons and became CFC's record scorer. Ernie rejected a contract from CFC, moving to Port Vale. His third time at Saltergate saw a Fourth Division championship under Duncan.

Jack Lester: 155+42 FC appearances, 85 goals. Jack's first season for CFC was striking, with 25 goals from 35 starts. In the PFA League 2 Team of the Year and winning everything at the club's POTY Awards. In 2008/09, Jack finished league Two's top scorer, finishing with 20+ goals for two seasons, matching Cookson's achievement in the 1920s. Injured most of 2009/10 season, Jack came back and scored in the last game at Saltergate. Playing a big part in winning the championship of League Two 2010/11. Scoring the winner against Oldham in the JPT. Captain Jack led the Spireites out at Wembley and lifted the trophy! Jack didn't play much in his last season. His last game against Exeter, the final appearance in the number 14 shirt, Jack scored a great penalty then ended scoring his final goal in the second half.

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LEAGUE TWO TOP FIVES

GOALS

1		HYLTON	15
2		KEE	15
3		GRANT	13
4		ADEBAYO AKI...	12
5		DENNIS	12

ASSISTS

1		COOPER	9
2		TAYLOR	7
3		WRIGHT	7
4		ADEBAYO AKI...	6
5		CAMPBELL-RYCE	6

SHOTS ON TARGET

1		EISA	38
2		DENNIS	35
3		UCHE IKPEAZU	33
4		ADEBAYO AKI...	31
5		HYLTON	30

MINUTES PER GOAL

1		HYLTON	140
2		SZMODICS	143
3		KEE	143
4		COLLINS	154
5		GRANT	156

% OF GOALS INVOLVED IN

1		DOIDGE	58
2		POPE	55
3		DENNIS	54
4		KEE	49
5		COULTHIRST	42

MINUTES PER CHANCE CREATED

1		REID	195
2		TAYLOR	209
3		COOPER	211
4		SHINNIE	220
5		MCALINDEN	248

FOULS

1		UCHE IKPEAZU	72
2		ADEBAYO AKI...	66
3		POPE	66
4		MANDRON	59
5		NEWTON	57

MINUTES PER GOAL CONCEDED

1		KRYSIAK	50
2		ANYON	51
3		RICHARDS	53
4		ROSS	54
5		COLLINS	55

LEAGUE TWO SPOTLIGHT

Christian Doidge has been directly involved in five of Rovers' last six league goals (four goals, one assist).

LEAGUE TWO SPOTLIGHT

Matt Godden has netted two goals in his three league appearances against Morecambe for the Boro.

You've played alongside Aaron for a few months now - what would you say are his strengths?

I think that his main strength is dribbling. He's got good feet and has a decent ping on him as well.

Like yourself, Aaron's a versatile player - how much does that benefit the team?

It's great, because if we have injuries he can fill in. Aaron can play on the left, right or in central midfield. He can adapt his role to wherever is needed.

How did you find playing in the FA Youth Cup?

It was a very good experience to play against a different quality of players from different levels



HEAD & HEAD

Jack Holmes & Aaron Sennett-Neilson



and on different pitches. Overall it was a good learning curve for us.

What do you think the youth team can achieve in the second half of the season?

Hopefully we can get as many points as possible and push on up the league.

How did you find playing with the first team in pre-season?

It was a good experience and it helped me understand what I needed to do to improve all the aspects of my game and where I needed to be technically.

Since you've signed you've converted to a defensive midfield role, how have you adapted to it?

I struggled a bit, but now I'm used to it and understanding it a lot better.

Academy duo Jack Holmes and Aaron Sennett-Neilson talk about each other's qualities



What was it like to play in the FA Youth Cup?

It was great to get the experience of playing at the Proact and then going away to Swansea. The surfaces were unbelievable and it was a good experience.

How hard are you working to try and get a professional contract?

I'm turning up to training and training as hard as I can, so I'm doing my best to try and make sure I get one.

What would it mean if you're offered one?

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MINI QUIZ

1. Which midfielder did the Spireites recently sign from Barnsley?
2. Which winger has just signed for Chesterfield after spells previously at Maidstone, Bradford, Burnley and West Ham?
3. Who has just re-signed for the Spireites after being at Portsmouth?
4. Which former Sheffield United keeper recently joined Chesterfield on loan from Bournemouth?
5. Which defender recently joined Chesterfield on loan from Millwall after having spells at Yeovil Town and Newport County?



We hope you all had a great day!



MINI QUIZ ANSWERS:
 1. Joe Key
 2. Zavon Hines
 3. Aaron Ramsdale
 4. Drew Talbot
 5. Sid Nelson

YOUNG SPIREITES



On Friday, December 29, the Trust hosted the Young Spireites Christmas Party in the SBK Computers Spires Restaurant at the Proact Stadium.

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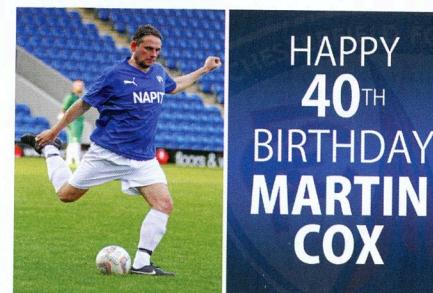
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Martin is a lifelong Spireite and his earliest memory is being perched on his dad's shoulders watching Steve Baines lift the Fourth Division trophy in front of a crowd of 7,000 at Saltergate.

Many happy memories include four Wembley trips, with the highlight being the 1997 FA Cup semi-final, then returning to celebrate at the Brad.

We hope Martin and his guests have a great afternoon and thank them for their support.



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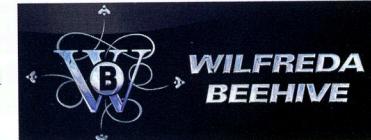
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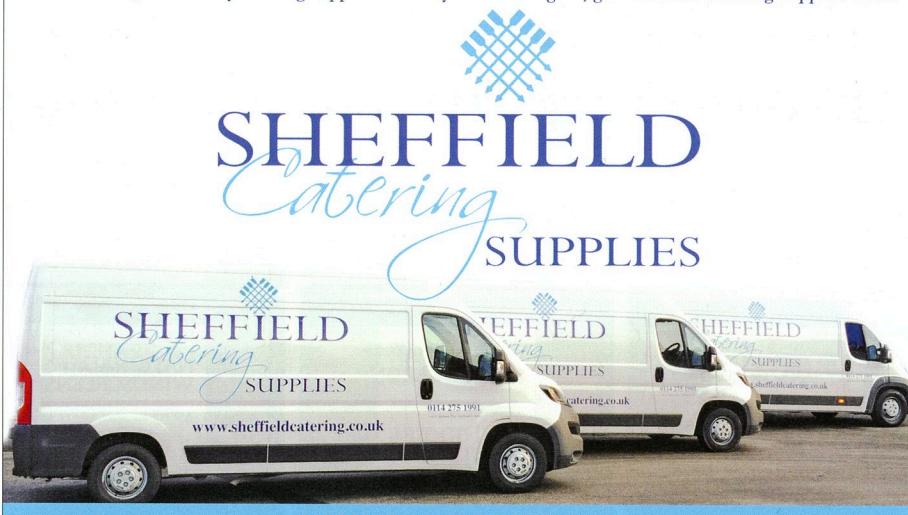
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ONCE A SPIREITE...

Mark Jules starred for the Spireites in the 1990s, playing a key role in the 1997 FA Cup semi-final against Middlesbrough. Nick Johnson spoke to him about his playing career and found out how he is helping to develop coaches...

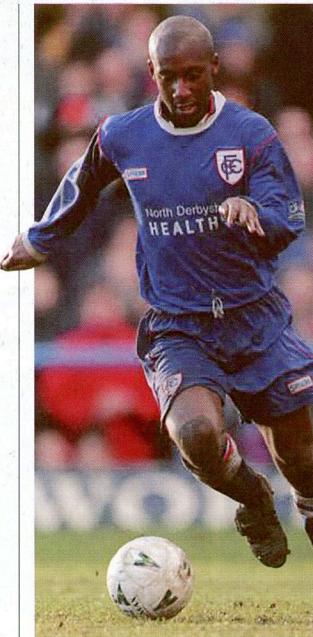


Mark's move to Chesterfield in a £40,000 deal from Scarborough came after he scored twice for the Seadogs in a game at Saltergate at the end of the 1992/93 season. He had submitted a transfer request and Kevin Randall had spoken to his former Chesterfield team-mate Ray McHale prior to the latter's sacking as Scarborough boss. Jules headed to Saltergate in the summer for talks with manager John Duncan and signed on the dotted line.

After playing as a winger, Jules was switched to a defensive role by Duncan. Mark said: "I'd been a winger from playing in youth-team football, but Cliff Carr was injured so they put me at left-back and I never really shifted from there, apart from playing occasionally at right-back."

"I quite enjoyed playing at left-back, although I wasn't the greatest tackler in the world. I'd keep pace with the winger and win the ball following a poor touch or nick it off them."

Mark will always be remembered for the man-marking role he performed in the Cup semi-final at Old Trafford, largely keeping Brazilian star Juninho quiet. "I felt tired because I was constantly running and it was probably one of the hardest things I've ever done," he admitted.



A move to Halifax Town followed in the summer of 1999 and he had three years there, during which time Mark started coaching in the Chesterfield academy on a part-time basis, later taking on a full-time role.

"I was doing a degree while studying for my coaching badges and I was watching Jamie Jackson one day with Kevin Davies when I saw Dave Bentley and Jonathan Pepper," Mark explained.

"Jonathan asked me if I'd like to do some coaching, which is how I started on the coaching pathway. I've always loved youth-team football and the development of young players."

Following 12 years with the academy, Mark left the club and set up Synergy Sports Academy with Bentley and Andy Morris. He then took up an opportunity to work for the PFA as a coach educator, a role he has performed for the last three years.

Based in Salford, he works with a number of clubs, including Chesterfield, to deliver Level 2 coaching qualifications to scholars. "I really enjoy it," said the 46-year-old. "I've got to look at coaching from grassroots level to European games and keep up with current trends."

"I went to the Euros and wrote reports on what I saw and it looks like I'm going to Russia for the World Cup as well. The findings go to our PFA members. We work closely with The FA and I visit St George's Park quite regularly."

Mark retains a keen interest in the Spireites and is a regular visitor to the Proact. "I go back to Chesterfield once or twice a month in my PFA role and I also do occasional match summarising on local radio," he added. "The club is in my blood and it is always the first result I look for. It will always be there in my heart."



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LEAGUE TABLE

TEAM	P	W	D	L	F	A	GD	Pts
1 Luton Town	26	16	6	4	62	25	+37	54
2 Notts County	26	14	8	4	44	26	+18	50
3 Coventry City	26	13	5	8	28	18	+10	44
4 Accrington Stanley	25	13	4	8	42	30	+12	43
5 Wycombe Wanderers	26	12	7	7	46	35	+11	43
6 Lincoln City	26	12	7	7	35	24	+11	43
7 Mansfield Town	26	11	10	5	38	29	+9	43
8 Exeter City	25	13	3	9	35	32	+3	42
9 Colchester United	27	11	8	8	36	31	+5	41
10 Swindon Town	25	13	2	10	38	34	+4	41
11 Newport County	26	10	9	7	35	30	+5	39
12 Cambridge United	26	10	7	9	25	31	-6	37
13 Carlisle United	26	9	7	10	37	37	0	34
14 Cheltenham Town	27	9	7	11	37	39	-2	34
15 Grimsby Town	27	9	7	11	26	36	-10	34
16 Stevenage	26	9	6	11	36	39	-3	33
17 Crawley Town	26	9	6	11	25	31	-6	33
18 Port Vale	27	9	4	14	29	35	-6	31
19 Crewe Alexandra	26	9	2	15	29	41	-12	29
20 Morecambe	26	7	7	12	26	36	-10	28
21 Yeovil Town	26	7	6	13	36	47	-11	27
22 Forest Green Rovers	26	6	5	15	26	47	-21	23
23 Chesterfield	27	5	6	16	26	51	-25	21
24 Barnet	26	5	5	16	26	39	-13	20

2017-18												CFC CAREER												ALL-TIME (TO CURRENT DATE, OR TIME OF DEPARTURE FROM CFC)																		
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CHESTERFIELD

MANAGER JACK LESTER

- 1 Aaron Ramsdale
- 3 Jerome Binnom-Williams
- 4 Sam Hird
- 5 Scott Wiseman
- 6 Ian Evatt
- 8 Jordan Sinnott
- 9 Kristian Dennis
- 10 Chris O'Grady
- 11 Gozie Ugwu
- 12 Joe Anyon
- 14 *Retired in honour of Jack Lester
- 15 Joe Rowley
- 16 Charlie Wakefield
- 17 Connor Dimaio
- 18 Delial Brewster
- 19 Diego De Girolamo
- 20 Laurence Maguire
- 21 Jack Brownell
- 22 Drew Talbot
- 23 Jordan Flores
- 24 Andy Kellett
- 25 Louis Reed
- 26 Jak McCourt
- 27 Bradley Barry
- 28 Robbie Weir
- 29 Ricky German
- 30 Dylan Parkin
- 32 Matt Briggs
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- 41 Zavon Hines

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- 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
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- 21 Jack Senior
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