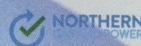


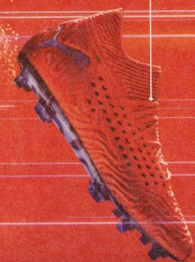
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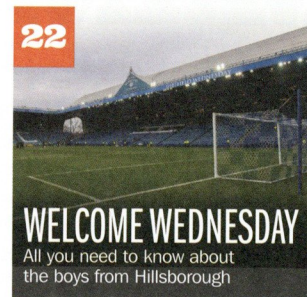
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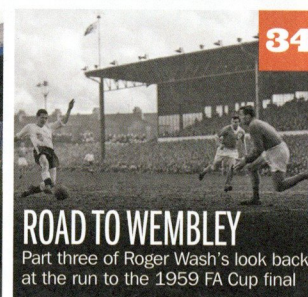
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THE MANAGER

MICK HARFORD

Well, I didn't expect to be back welcoming you to Kenilworth Road as Luton Town manager again. But after a whirlwind few days, it is a privilege to write these notes.

I'm not going to dwell on what's happened. What matters is now, the future and Luton Town Football Club. And what a future lies ahead for our club.

Second in League One. Third round replay in the FA Cup for the chance to go to Chelsea. Power Court.

I could finish the notes here and that last paragraph should be enough to have every Luton Town supporter chomping at the bit, ready to create one of those famous nights under the Kenilworth Road lights that I am fortunate to know so well from my time as a player.

I must welcome everyone connected with Sheffield Wednesday; a great, traditional English club and one that should whet the appetite of everyone here who followed this club to places like – and I mean this with no disrespect – Alfreton, Guiseley, Gateshead and more.

I had some good battles with Steve Bruce as a player, and although he's not here tonight, I wish him every success when he finally starts his new job at Hillsborough along with Steve Agnew and Stephen Clemence.

Our lads were magnificent there in the first game and fully deserved the draw to bring Wednesday back here. I remember watching Sunderland win the 1973 semi-final against Arsenal from the Hillsborough terraces, an old Luton and Mackem hero Vic Halom scoring one of the goals, and I've played in a couple myself.

This competition is one to cherish and the further you go, the more glamorous it becomes. The carrot tonight is a visit to one of my former clubs, Chelsea, live on TV in the fourth round.

Our boys don't need any more incentive, and to be mentioning sides like that again in this programme shows just how far our club has come back under 2020's leadership in those ten years since we were dealt that unprecedented hammer blow that landed us in the Conference.

I was manager back then and, as I said in the Press last Thursday, I still feel partly responsible for Luton dropping out of the League.

I'm sure you can imagine how proud how I felt, therefore, on Saturday to have been asked by the board not only to be part of the process to select



our new manager, but to be able to lead this fantastic team out at Sunderland.

I have two clubs in my life. I'm a Mackem, a Sunderland boy and I've supported them all my life. But I have such a love for this club, as you all know. I think this is my sixth spell and I would do anything for this club.

For me to see almost 3,100 Luton Town supporters travel all that way to the Stadium of Light, to form part of a crowd of over 37,000 for a League One game, brought a tear to my eye. It was an emotional day with all my family there.

My sister has a box at the Stadium of Light and although it was Roker Park where I used to sneak in and get thrown out as a boy, and then played for the club, it was a dream for me to be manager of Luton Town at Sunderland. What an honour, a privilege.

Your loyalty to me and this club is beyond compare. The players were unbelievable. They have been from the moment I spoke to them last week. I was so proud of them for how they played and how they've responded to what was a big blow for them. Senior players, some who haven't been starting recently, like captain Alan Sheehan, have been magnificent and have played such an important part.

If I helped galvanise them in any way, I am glad I have had the opportunity to do that for you supporters, because I want you to be able to enjoy the good times again – and you certainly are.

I must mention the staff too. Steve Rutter, Kevin Dearden, Inigo Idiakez, Simon Parsell, Chris Phillips,

Doc Paul Deeley, Darren Cook, Pete Booker, Luke Sanders, Elliot Plant, Tom Spriggs and James Dixon; names you don't always hear, or maybe even know what they do, but I can tell you they work tirelessly for this club and they've all stepped up and made the job easier for me in the last few days. They deserve great credit for that result on Saturday and the position this club is currently in.

I'll finish by asking you to back these players, staff and custodians, 2020, once again. We know we're due good news from the council tomorrow night about our new stadium, which will change this club and town for the better forever, so let's get the party started by creating an electric atmosphere at the old place tonight.

It's been a fortress this season so far and I want new generations of supporters and players to experience what we felt in the Eighties when we were beating the likes of Watford, Arsenal and Liverpool here under the lights to progress in this fantastic competition.

There won't be many chances left to support the club here as you always have, and enjoy what will be an exciting FA Cup tie.

So get behind the lads as I know how much it means to them. They are so appreciative of the support given to them by the best fans in the country. COYH!

Mick Harford



FROM THE BOARDROOM

WITH CHIEF EXECUTIVE GARY SWEET

Never have the words, “a week is a long time in football” been so true.

Tonight, we re-enter the stage in a one-off drama against a very fine Championship side, Sheffield Wednesday. This comes after a very fine performance of our own in front of 4,500 travelling Hatters at one of the most famous stadiums in the country, which deservedly took the encounter to a replay inside one of England's oldest, most traditional stadiums.

Luton Town v Sheffield Wednesday is an old First Division fixture if ever you saw one, and sitting pretty in the league, we hope it might be a new fixture next season. It's an intriguing fixture on the managerial front too with three of the four managerial roles played over the two games held by interim roles.

I'm writing these words following somewhat of a challenging few days. I had already prepared some draft notes last week ahead of, what should have been, a few intense days of preparation for the most important fixture of this week – our date with the Council's committee for Power Court's planning determination on Wednesday evening.

Unless you've literally had your head buried in the sand, you'll obviously know that last Tuesday Nathan Jones departed for new ventures after Stoke City agreed to meet compensation conditions payable to us in lieu of the early termination of his contract, swiftly followed by the departures of Joaquin Gomez and Jared Roberts-Smith on the same basis.

Naturally, since then, almost every waking moment has been invested in the immediate stabilisation and to set and start the process of recruiting an appropriate manager who will take us to the next level.

It was with a considerable degree of relief, delight and excitement that Mick Harford agreed to step in and steady the ship on an interim basis – in a heartbeat, I hasten to add, without a single demand from the Club other than its continued support.

It was an especially poignant moment due to the imminent fixture we had on Saturday at the Stadium of Light, arguably our biggest league fixture of the season, but with big Mick being a Sunderland boy, leading his Club out in front of his Mackem family and friends. To witness that wasn't just a very proud moment for Mick, but for us all.

The 3,100 wonderful supporters that each journeyed the near 500-mile round trip were not left disappointed. If ever we needed a display from the lads to prove that the self-belief and character in the squad is durable enough to endure a mere change in personnel, that was it! We deserved more from the game but couldn't be disappointed with what will be the most valuable single point of the season.

To a man, the players' strength of character over the last few, potentially unsettling, days has been exemplary. The maturity and positivity with how they have behaved and approached the game, and the backing they have given Mick is more than pleasing. I'd formally like to thank every one of them for their understanding of the situation and for their continued hard work and focus on achieving our continued objectives, which do not change.

What this week has proved, more than anything else, is that no one man is bigger than our football club, particularly this football club and particularly now.

When we (2020) set out on our mission just over ten years ago our primary aim was to stabilise. Not just our finances – which was of primary importance at the time, of course – but from root to branch throughout the business. This, I believe, we have done.

Indeed, we've gone much further than that. Stability has been important, but we've developed and nurtured a robust culture at Luton Town which contains a set of invaluable assets and principles that encompasses everybody from chairman to kitman, from manager to mascot, from goalkeeper to gateman and from secretary to supporter. We have all made much appreciated contributions to define this culture, so we all belong to it however long you or it may last. It is everyone's honour to protect it, which it of course appears we already do.

Nathan was an excellent coach and a brilliant technical analyst who, three years ago, was entrusted by us to bring our footballing style back to what we have been traditionally accustomed to. With a fabulous league win percentage of 51% – the third highest statistic in Luton's history – we climbed an impressive 40 league places in the league pyramid since he joined three years ago. Nathan, along with Joaquin and Jared, re-engaged us with our long-standing footballing panache, after a departure of necessity, and he spearheaded the momentum we're seeking to maintain now.

Formally, on behalf of the board, I'd like to thank Nathan, Joaquin and Jared for their hard-working contribution during their time with us. Whilst there is much to say of the manner and timing of their departures, this isn't the appropriate place for that to play out. Today, I would prefer for us all to acknowledge that whilst they were here they helped entertain us and put huge smiles on our faces.

It is, however, vitally important to note that one person did not deliver this single-handedly. We have an ironically anonymous quote we've used around our environments for many years now, which is, “It's amazing how much can be achieved when no individual takes the credit” which is pinned to the dressing room wall amongst other places. This

statement embodies the culture that everyone needs to buy into to prosper at Luton Town and will be our greatest advantage as we realise our ambitions going forwards.

Three years ago, the Club was in a very sound place. It was stable, it had a blossoming culture within, we had recently won promotion back to the Football League, our planning applications for our new stadium were being prepared, we had invested in land and we had plans drawn up to secure a desperately-needed new training ground.

Today, the Club is in an even more sound place, and only partly because of our footballing success. Fundamentally, we have a fabulous board of directors and shareholders, a wonderful company of diligent staff an incredible support base who all believe in what the club stands for and an amazingly talented group of footballers. Spiritually, we have accumulated a tremendous set of well-intended ethical values that are intended to include all our communities and influence the way others behave and interact. Physically, we have secured and completely rebuilt a new training facility in-house which provides the foundation for players to perform and we sit on the eve of, potentially, the greatest victory in Luton Town's history (if only for a fortnight) when, in 24 hours, we could be holding a resolution to grant permission to build a brand spanking new football stadium for us all to shed the tears of ecstasy and misery on our roller rides of the next century or so.

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BY HARRY ROGERS

KEEP COLLO CALM AND CARRY ON!

James Collins was able to keep calm and convert from the penalty spot with more than 37,000 fans watching from the stands at the Stadium of Light, earning the Town their most important point of the season so far against fellow promotion chasers Sunderland.

The striker's 68th minute equaliser sent the army of travelling supporters – all 3,081 of them – into celebration, as the Hatters were able to comfortably deal with the Black Cats and remain in second spot to stretch their unbeaten run to 14 matches in the league, 17 including FA Cup.

The goal also meant that Collins overtook Elliot Lee as the club's top scorer this season, with 11 goals to his name. This may well have been his most important one yet.

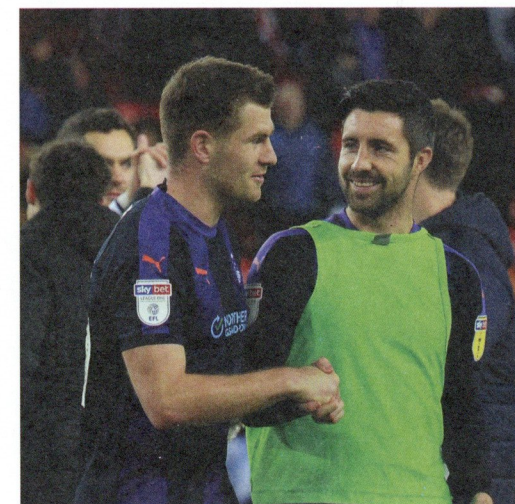
Speaking straight after the match, he said: "I practised (penalties) yesterday, I always practise on a Friday and it didn't go as well as I'd hoped, but I knew where I was going.

"I was never going to change my mind and it was an honour to score at a stadium like this in front of so many fans, even if I was getting whistled and booed. I'm delighted for everyone to do with Luton that it went in. You've got to respect a point at a place like this."

The 28-year-old had nothing but praise for interim boss Mick Harford.

"Mick's a hero here with the fans and he's a hero with the lads as well," said Collins. "He comes in every day and he gets around the boys and we have a coffee and a chat. He's just like one of the boys, so we've all got huge respect for him.

"As you could see out there today, we all played for him, ourselves and the fans, and credit to him and his staff for not changing much, because what we did have here was good and it was going well, so why change anything? He realised that and we've stuck to what we needed to do.



"As long as Mick and the staff have got the job, we'll keep working hard and we'll keep doing everything right and we won't slip off. They won't allow us to do that either. That's the sort of respect they have."

Collo added: "Training this week has been great. Mick and Steve took it and it was great. That's credit to the lads because the lads want to win, the lads want to get promoted, the lads want to do well.

"Everyone wants to be the best and no-one lets you slip up here. We've got some big characters in the group and we haven't got any passengers.

"Who wouldn't want this job? It's a club on the up. New training ground. New stadium getting built. Unbelievable fanbase, as you've seen today, and a squad full of talented players. Whoever comes in has got a special group of players on their hands."

BY HARRY ROGERS

SUPER SONNY SHINES IN SUNDERLAND!

Captain on the day Sonny Bradley spoke glowingly of Mick Harford, the Hatters' board, his team-mates and - naturally - the wonderful travelling support after Saturday's 1-1 draw at Sunderland.

Big Mick took charge of his first game for a decade, and 27-year-old Bradley said the transition was seamless.

"It's natural for Mick," said the central defender. "He's been there and done it before. I know he said he hasn't taken sessions for years and it was a bit new to him, but Mick's part of our team. He was part of our team anyway. He knows all the boys. All of the boys fully respect Mick.

"He's in every single day and the transition has been quite natural. He's just said in the dressing room how proud he is of us for today's performance, but we're all thinking the same thing the other way. We are proud of Mick and we can only thank him for stepping up and taking charge."

Asked about the process and timescale of finding a new permanent manager, Bradley replied: "It's up to Gary Sweet. I think Gary's been excellent for the club in the past few years, so we back Gary and the board to make the right decision.

"Obviously as players we aren't going to know too much about the timescale. One thing we can say is that if someone does come in, then we'll be ready. They'll have our respect straightaway and they'll understand that they are coming into a club with high expectations now.

"If anyone was watching today, I think they'd want to come in and take us because they probably see how good we are.

"I know Gary said in the week there were 70-plus applications already. Who wouldn't want this job? There's an absolutely fantastic set of lads who would do anything for the club, they'll do anything on the pitch and I think we're bound for success. It's just a matter of time.



"We've put ourselves in a great position in the first half of the season, so there is no way we are going to throw it away now and even with the changes that could possibly happen, I think mentally we are too strong and too tight as a group to throw it away."

Finally, on the 3,081 Hatters up at the Stadium of Light, he added: "They've been absolutely brilliant. They've travelled well all season and they deserve that point today. I'd have been bitterly disappointed for them to come all this way and to go away with nothing today, especially when we were the better team.

"They've just got to stick with us. Whatever's happened this week, you can guarantee one thing and that's the fans will be exactly the same.

"They'll back us all the way and we'll need that for the rest of the season, so just keep doing what we're doing, we back ourselves and I don't see any reason why we can't go up."

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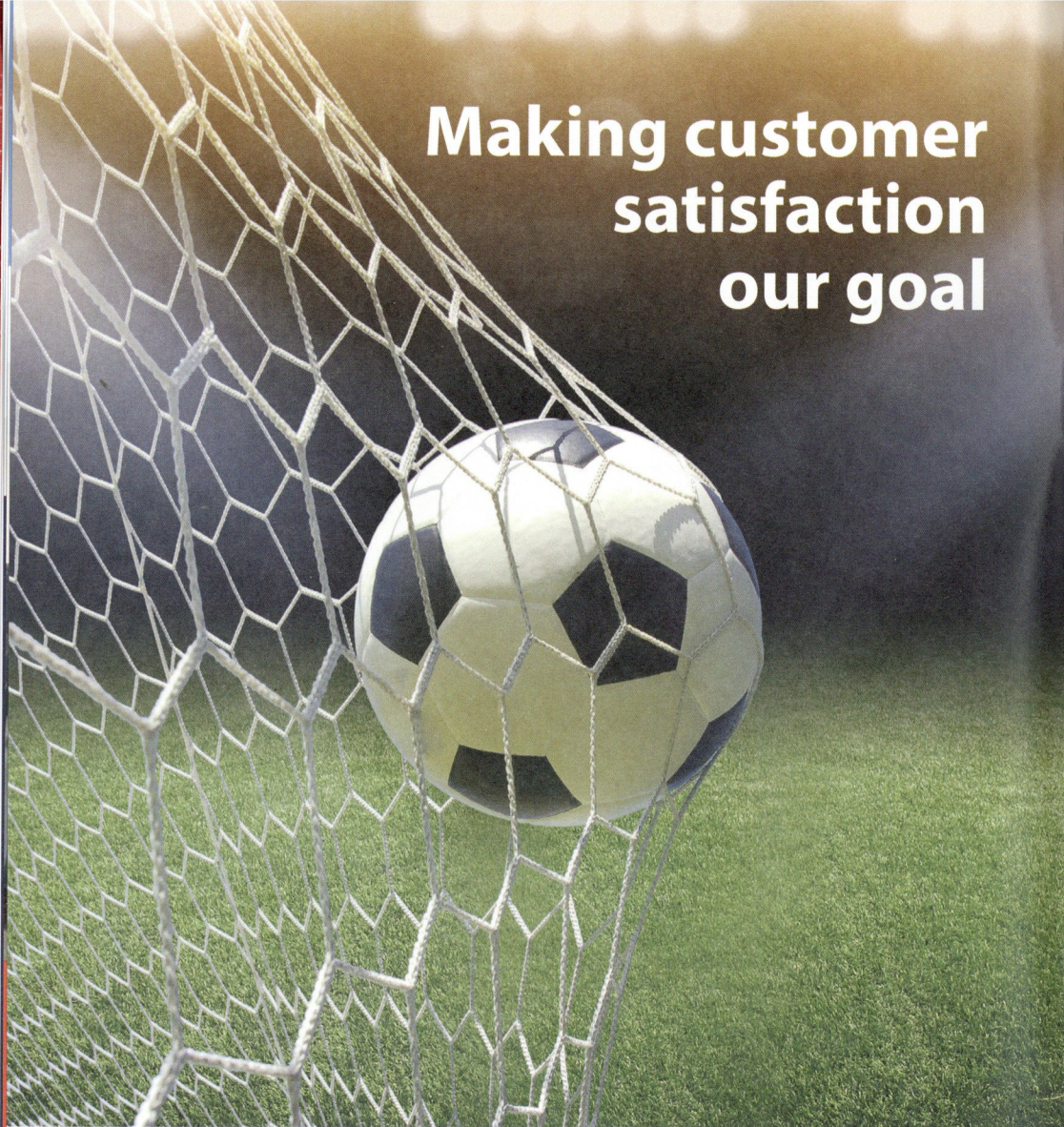
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A THORNE IN OUR SIDE

GEORGE JOINS THE TOWN FROM DERBY ON LOAN UNTIL THE END OF THE SEASON

The Hatters made their first signing of the January transfer window last Monday when George Thorne joined the club on loan from Championship outfit Derby County on loan until the end of the season.

The former West Bromwich Albion midfielder, who celebrated his 26th birthday a week last Friday, is not eligible for tonight's game as he was not signed before the initial tie, but will be available for the FA Cup should the Hatters progress.

Thorne has vast experience in the top two divisions after making his Premier League debut for the Baggies aged 17, before joining the Rams in the summer of 2014 following a successful loan spell in which he helped the Midlands club reach the Championship play-off final. He then suffered the first of two serious injuries, but played 22 times last season under former manager Gary Rowett, although he has not featured this term under new boss Frank Lampard.

The signing of Thorne, who has 36 England caps at different youth levels and was a member of the squad that won the Under-17 European Championships with the likes of Jack Butland and Ross Barkley in 2010, helps fill a void in the Hatters' engine room left by Glen Rea's season-ending injury.

Thorne, who grew up in Bedford where his family still live, is looking forward to playing for his local club for the next few months.

"I've been away for a few years, but I'm back local now so I'm sure I'll be getting asked for a few tickets here and there!" said the former Biddenham School pupil.

"It'll be nice to be around the family and the main thing for me is to get going with the football and continue what the lads have started."

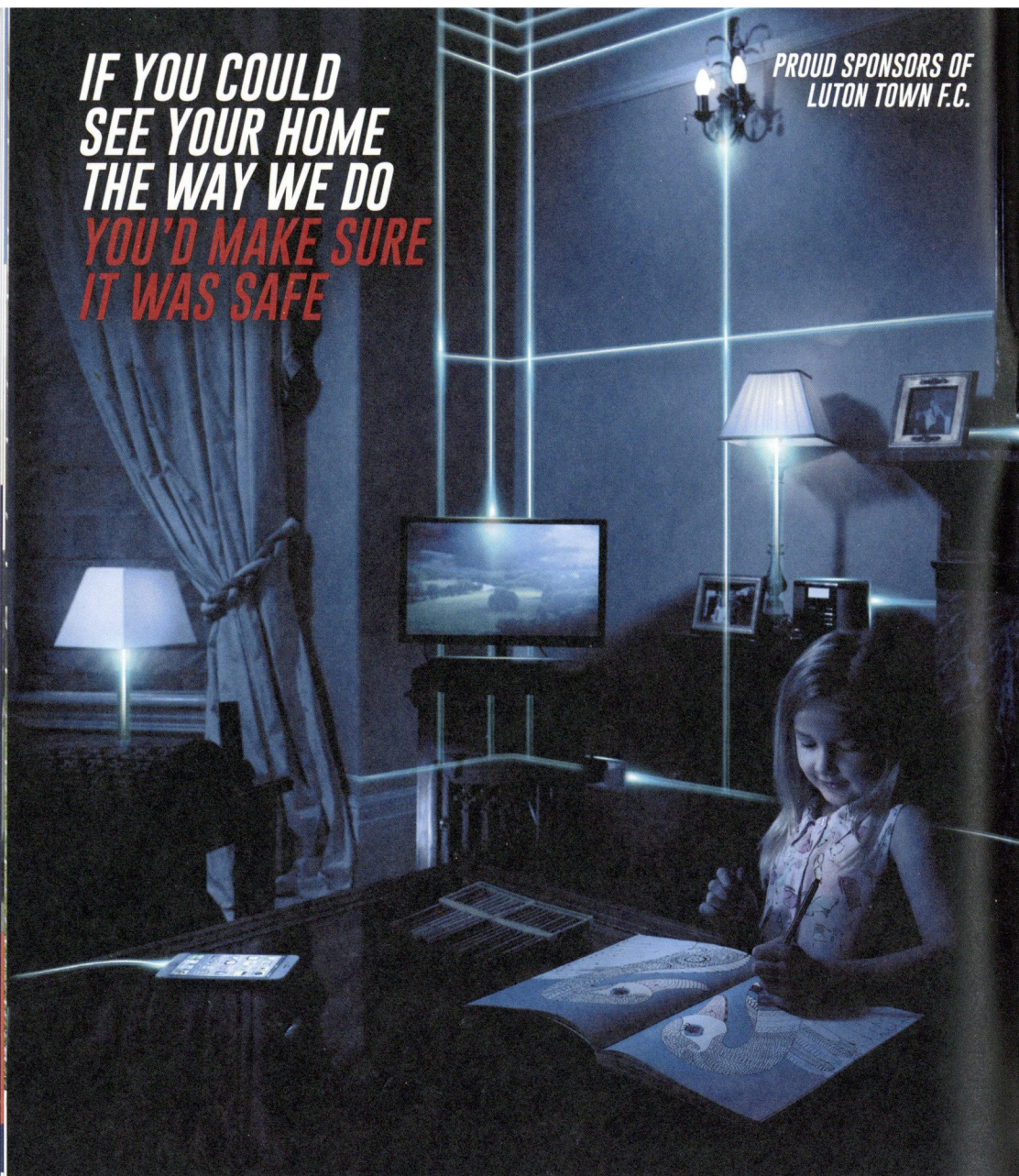
In an eventful week for the Hatters, we waved farewell to another midfielder, Jorge Grant, whose season-long loan from Nottingham Forest was terminated last Monday.

The 24-year-old joined last July and made 22 appearances for the Town – 17 starts and five from the bench – with his last coming in the Boxing Day win at Scunthorpe. In that time he scored four goals.

Young defender Frankie Musonda has moved out on loan for a second time this season, joining up with former Hatters player and youth coach Joe Deeney at Hemel Hempstead Town, who have also extended Connor Tomlinson's youth loan for another month.

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PHYSIO SIMON PARSELL'S UPDATE ON GLEN REA'S INJURY AND REHAB

Unfortunately it's always the way. After a good pre-season you make the position your own. Playing the best football of your life, captaining the team and bang - injury strikes. So many times it happens.

The problem is when it happens and there is no pain, swelling or other signs, it takes a while to get your head round things. These were the initial problems Glen faced. He didn't think he had done anything serious, so when the scan said otherwise it was a shock.

Some people would struggle but having seen the consultant, Glen immediately refocussed and put all his energy into the surgery plus rehabilitation. After surgery, Glen sent us a message and at first we chuckled, but afterwards thought he is spot on.

"To be honest you don't realise how much you need your body until you can't use it!"

Keen

Following surgery where Glen complained of being starving, the fact he had watched all of the episodes of The Last Kingdom and how good Ketamine was to relieve the pain, rehab is now underway, and it will be a long road.

This injury cannot be rushed and there will be good days and bad days.

We have a really tight-knit group and everybody felt Glen's pain, but equally they are keen to help. For example Jack Senior has visited Glen at home to assist him with showering. A nasty job and not many volunteered.

Jack James Taxis have been regularly used, and even our club secretary Chris Clark has provided transport.



Glen is great to work with due to his positive attitude, determination and focus. The one thing he loves has been taken away for the time being. Football is his calling and he wants it back.

For the time being he remains the team's number one fan and wants them to push on and get promoted. That sums Glen up. A real team player.

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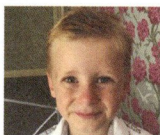
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Age: 6 | Fave Player: Danny Hylton



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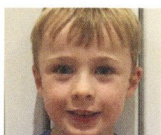
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LINCOLN TOMPKINS

Age: 6 | Fave Player: James Shea



LUKE PENWRIGHT

Age: 7 | Fave Player: James Collins



NOAH WOODS

Age: 5
Fave Player: Andrew Shinnie



TOMMY KERR

Age: 7
Fave Player: Danny Hylton



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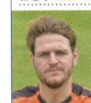
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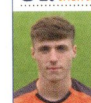
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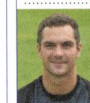
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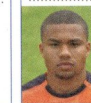
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WELCOME SHEFFIELD WEDNESDAY



The Hatters would like to extend a warm welcome to the visiting staff, players and supporters of Sheffield Wednesday.

The ante has been upped a little bit for this one. The carrot has certainly been dangled in the faces of both teams, as a game at Stamford Bridge awaits the winners of tonight's match at Kenilworth Road. Not bad.

The Owls have appointed former Hull City and Aston Villa boss Steve Bruce after the departure of Jos Luhukay, but the ex-Manchester United defender won't be taking over until the beginning of February, so Steve Agnew will be leading the visitors again this evening.

A club with such a rich history, they have had a lot of success in this competition, having won the FA Cup on three occasions, the most recent of those was in 1935, whilst they were runners up in 1966 and 1993. That game saw them take Arsenal to a replay after drawing 1-1 at Wembley, with Trevor Francis' team – which including a number of Wednesday favourites Mark Bright, John Sheridan and Roland Nilsson – falling a to a 2-1 defeat second time round. They also frustrating lost the League Cup final by the same scoreline to the Gunners a month earlier.

They nearly made a Premier League return both in the 2015/16 campaign and the following year, missing out both times as they were defeated in the play-offs. They spent eight consecutive seasons in the top tier, before suffering relegation in 2000. Their slump continued and they have had spells in League One.

Their squad has a number of international footballers, including Republic of Ireland's Keiren Westwood, as well as Scotland's Barry Bannan and Steven Fletcher. It's that quality that's helped them turn their form around recently, having gone on a difficult run of picking up only one victory in ten outings, they had won twice and drawn twice in their last four games before Saturday's match at Hull City.

Wednesday have only been defeated three times at Hillsborough in the league this year, but have struggled on the road slightly, suffering seven defeats in 13 games (prior to the weekend).

HEAD-TO-HEAD

LUTON WINS:	16
DRAWN:	21
WEDNESDAY WINS:	21
LAST MEETING:	WEDNESDAY 0-0 LUTON JANUARY 2019

FACTFILE:

NICKNAME:	THE OWLS
GROUND:	HILLSBOROUGH
CARETAKER MANAGER:	STEVE AGNEW
LAST SEASON:	FIFTH ROUND

COMPILED BY HARRY ROGERS

MEET THE SQUAD

THE GAFFER

Steve Agnew | Age: 53
Caretaker Manager



A creative midfielder in his playing days, Agnew now applies his footballing experience to coaching, looking after the Owls until Steve Bruce takes the reins full-time in February. The 53-year-old has never officially managed a club and only ever been placed in the driver's seat at Middlesbrough on two separate occasions due to the departure of the managers at the time. The Yorkshireman left Aston Villa in October last year and linked up with Wednesday at the beginning of this year, along with Steve Bruce and Stephen Clemence who were also sacked by Villa last October.

GOALKEEPER KIEREN WESTWOOD AGE: 34

Won Player of the Year in 2014-15 for the Owls, keeping 17 clean sheets in total, equalling the club record. Also has 21 caps for the Republic of Ireland.

DEFENDERS LIAM PALMER AGE: 27

Currently the Owls' longest serving player, Palmer has been with the club ever since he signed his first professional contract in 2010. Played for Tranmere on-loan in 2012-13.

MORGAN FOX AGE: 25

Signed in January 2017 for an undisclosed fee from Charlton. Capped for the Welsh U21s side as well as featuring in the country's senior team in two Euro 16 qualifiers.

THE STOPPER

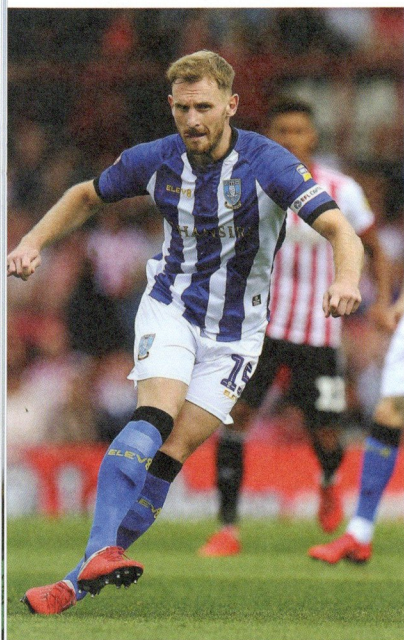
Cameron Dawson | Age: 23



Now a first team regular between the sticks, Dawson is a product of the Wednesday academy featuring 23 times in the Championship this term with two shut-outs. His third clean sheet of the season came against the Hatters in our third round FA Cup tie at Hillsborough. The young shot-stopper is definitely enjoying a good spell in the side. Capped for England at U18 and U19 level, Dawson has also spent time on-loan at Plymouth, Alfreton, Chesterfield and Wycombe in his short, but impressive career so far. Born in Sheffield, the local lad has excelled this season, competing well with the experienced Westwood for the number one jersey.

DID YOU KNOW?

Founded as 'The Wednesday' in 1867, the club were a cricket club for a number of years, before the players needed a sport to keep them busy over the winter months. They acquired their different and iconic name as a result of Wednesday being the day the founding members had off. The football became more popular than the cricket in the end and they got rid of it to focus on the football side in 1925.

THE WALL**Tom Lees | Age: 28**

The skipper switched from Yorkshire rivals Leeds United to join the Owls in 2014, proving to be an excellent addition with 48 appearances in all competitions in his debut season. For the next two campaigns, Lees assisted Wednesday in making the play-offs consecutively, however both times they were thwarted in their attempts of promotion, but nevertheless a commendable achievement. While at Leeds, the defender went out on loan to Bury, gaining promotion from Sky Bet League Two and winning the Players' Player of the Year Award. A year later, he was voted Young Player of the Year at Leeds.

IN THE MIDDLE**Barry Bannan | Age: 29**

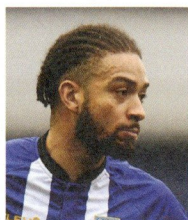
The Scottish international has made 27 appearances for his country, as well as receiving numerous call ups, featuring in the squad that drew 2-2 with England at Hampden Park in the Russia World Cup Qualifiers. Bannan has now made more than a century of appearances for the Owls since his arrival in 2015 from Premier League Crystal Palace. The midfielder played 22 times in the top flight across a season and a half at Selhurst Park, scoring once in a 1-0 away win against Hull City in 2013. The 29-year-old also played Premier League minutes with his first club Aston Villa, until a series of loan-spells followed when he failed to get in the starting XI at Villa Park.

**JORDAN THORNILEY**
AGE: 22

Graduated through the academy at Everton then snapped up by Wednesday in 2016. With 11 first team appearances last season, the defender is currently on 17 this term, progressing nicely at Hillsborough.

MICHAEL HECTOR
AGE: 26

Ex-team mate of Danny Hylton, playing with the striker at Aldershot on loan from first club Reading. Currently on the books at Chelsea, Hector signed a loan deal with the Owls last year.

**MATT PENNEY**
AGE: 20

The youngster has finally broken through into the first team after a few loan moves, making 12 starts already this season, also winning Player of the Month in September.

ASHLEY BAKER
AGE: 22

Signed his first professional deal with Cardiff City before moving to Wednesday last year. His impressive start to the season earned him his first Welsh U21 call-up.

SAM HUTCHINSON
AGE: 29

A key figure in the team that made the play-offs two years in a row. Known for his no-nonsense and tough-tackling displays, Hutchinson is one to watch out for.

MIDFIELDERS
JOEY PELUPESSY
AGE: 25

Enjoying his second season in English football, the Dutch midfielder began his career with FC Twente, later moving to top-flight side Heracles,

where he helped the club gain Europa League qualification in 2015-16.

ADAM REACH
AGE: 25

Spent six years with his boyhood club Middlesbrough until 2016 when the Owls swooped. Scored

WATCH OUT**Steven Fletcher | Age: 31**

The prolific striker who netted 24 times in 45 starts for Wolves in the Premier League signed for Wednesday on a free transfer following the expiry of his contract at Sunderland. The Scot has even scored two hat-tricks for his country, a feat only matched by four other players in Scottish history. Fletcher progressed through the youth set-up at Hibernian until he signed his first professional deal with the club in 2004. A respectable 43 goals in 115 starts earned the forward a move to Burnley in 2009 where he netted eight times in one season at Turf Moor. Now with a total of £15m in transfer fees across his career, it's fair to say the striker can be lethal in front of goal.

**IN NUMBERS...**

Stadium capacity:	39,732
Miles from Kenilworth Road:	136
Year opened:	1899
Average crowd last season:	25,995
Seasons in Championship:	7

six league goals so far this term, beating his total from last season already.

JOSH ONOMAH
AGE: 21

The Tottenham graduate is used to winning on the world stage, having been victorious in the 2017 Under-20 World Cup and the 2014 European Under-17 Championships with England.

GEORGE BOYD
AGE: 33

A pivotal part of the Peterborough team to earn back-to-back promotions from League Two, up to the Championship. Also played for Burnley in the Premier League.

STRIKERS**ATDHE NUHIU**
AGE: 29

A real force up-front, the Kosovo international has finished as the Owls' top-scorer in two of his five seasons at Hillsborough, in 2014-15 and 2017-18.

LUCAS JOÃO
AGE: 25

The forward signed on a four-year deal with Wednesday in the summer of 2015 from Portuguese side, Nacional. Scored a header in the Owls' memorable 3-0 win over Arsenal.

MARCO MATIAS
AGE: 29

Another Portuguese forward who Wednesday acquired from Nacional. The wide man came through the ranks at Sporting Lisbon and played for Guimaraes in the 2013/14 Europa League.



CLASSIC CLASH WITH THE OWLS

CLUB HISTORIAN **ROGER WASH** DELVES INTO HIS ARCHIVES...

10TH OCTOBER 1970 • SHEFFIELD WEDNESDAY 1 LUTON TOWN 5

When the Hatters won promotion back to the old Division Two (now the Championship) in 1970, manager Alec Stock embarked on a summer of intense activity in order to strengthen the squad in readiness for what he expected to be a tough and trying campaign.

He raided Old Trafford and came back with four players including Don Givens and Jimmy Ryan, before taking his total close season spend to just short of £100,000 when he recruited David Court from Arsenal and Roger Hoy from Crystal Palace.

The Town started slowly on the pitch, however, and were heavily beaten at Bolton in the first game before drawing at home to Norwich and away at Birmingham. The first signs of the gelling of the new squad came in game four when Oxford were comprehensively beaten 4-0 at Kenilworth Road with this victory prefacing a gradual rise up the table with the summit being reached, albeit briefly, after beating Blackburn 2-0 at home on 20th October 1970.

Just over two years before, the Hatters had been in Division Four but were now in with a great chance of climbing back to the top flight in record time. Although that fact alone may well have alerted the media to take more than a passing interest in the team, the Town were now the darlings of the television companies who were clamouring to feature them. All because of a run of the mill game at Sheffield Wednesday!

The match at Hillsborough was meant to be a test of the Town's new-found confidence with Wednesday relegated from the top flight the season before and still carrying all the trappings of a big club. This extended to local comment before the game that teams like Sheffield Wednesday should

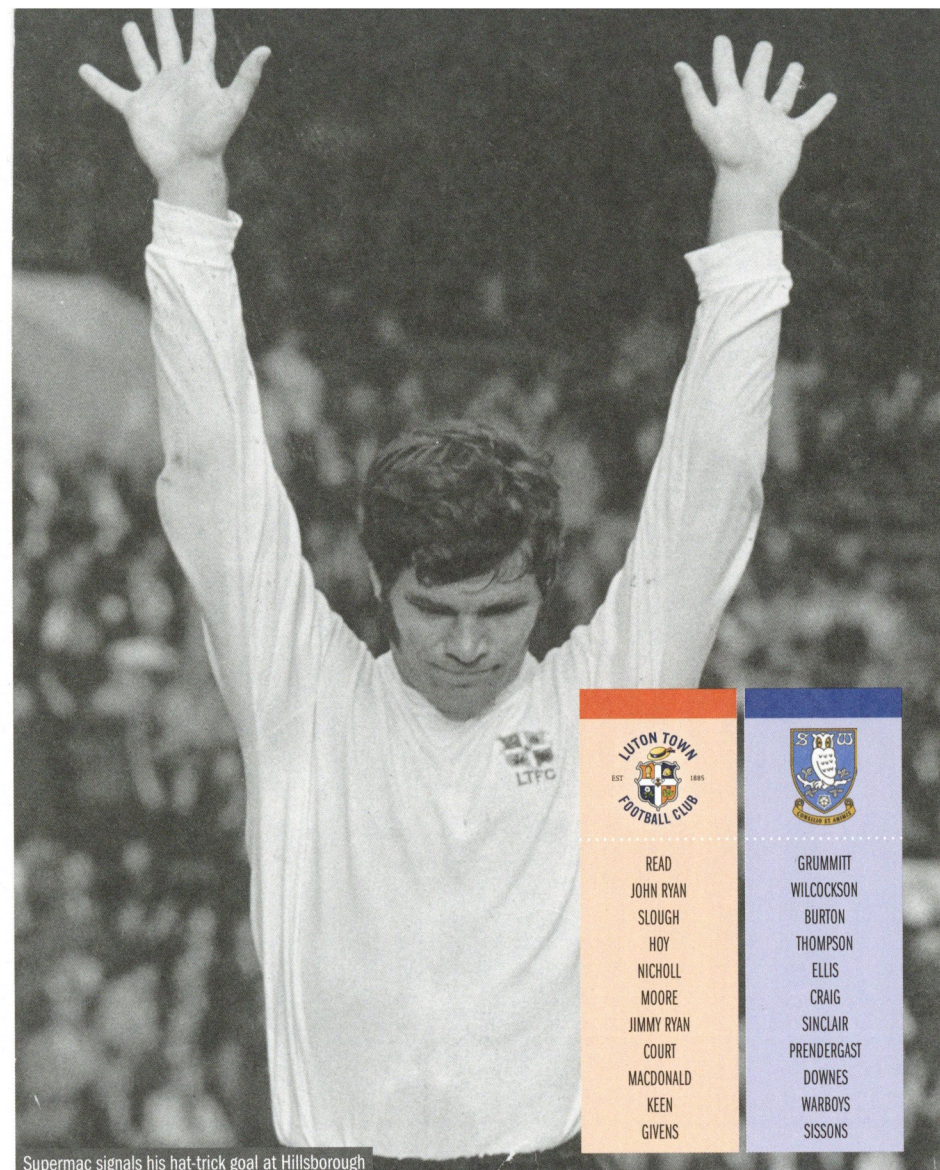
always see off upstarts such as little Luton!

The Town were far from overawed by the occasion and pressed forward from the start, Malcolm Macdonald scoring after 14 minutes with what was becoming his trademark, a thumping left-foot drive. Two more goals arrived in the minutes prior to half-time, with Macdonald setting up Don Givens and then helping himself to number three with another left-foot special.

The second-half saw more of the same, Givens and Macdonald scoring one apiece, the Owls managing no more than a late consolation through Jackie Sinclair. Luton's travelling supporters looked on in amazement at the breathtaking display, the brute power of Macdonald's shooting and the unselfish play of Givens, who pulled the Wednesday defenders all over the place.

The TV cameras had captured the rout and the secret that those in South Bedfordshire had been keeping for a year was now out in the open. Macdonald was dynamite, and life at Kenilworth Road would never be quite the same again.

Wednesday supporters in the crowd of 15,189 gave vent to their frustrations at the end, aiming their comments at manager Danny Williams. Hearing this, Luton director Eric Morecambe said: "I feel sorry for Wednesday. It was all too one-sided for me but we played extremely well. We gave them little scope and we had five chances and took every one of them."



Supernac signals his hat-trick goal at Hillsborough

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MACDONALD	DOWNES
KEEN	WARBOYS
GIVENS	SISSONS

"It was a knock-out performance, and at this rate I fancy our chances of getting to the First Division."

A local scribe went even further when reporting afterwards: "If the Town maintain this form, they will not only win the League and the FA Cup but the Grand National as well!"

Sadly the news, after Christmas, of the collapse of chairman Tony Hunt's company Vehicle and

General put a dampener on the season as his funds underpinned the football club. Player sales were inevitable with Macdonald the 'jewel in the crown'.

A disastrous Easter, when all three games were lost, meant a third promotion in four years was not to be, but for those Luton Town supporters who witnessed that period in the club's history, it will remain clear in the memory 50 years on!



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Steve Robinson advances with the ball against the Owls

THE LAST TIME WEDNESDAY CAME TO TOWN

CLUB HISTORIAN **ROGER WASH** REPORTS ON THE OWLS' LAST VISIT TO KENILWORTH ROAD

**20TH FEBRUARY 2007 • LUTON TOWN 3 SHEFFIELD WEDNESDAY 2
CHAMPIONSHIP**

After a season high spot in October 2006 when the Town moved up to fifth in the table following a 5-1 home rout of Leeds everything began to unravel.

A run of seven defeats on the trot sent the Town tumbling down the table and by the time of the visit of Sheffield Wednesday to Kenilworth Road in February, we were only one point off the relegation positions.

Wednesday were comfortably in mid-table and a crowd of 8,011 gathered to see if the Town could pick up their first win of the calendar year.

The Hatters were missing defender Russ Perrett, who had suffered a knee injury in the 0-0 draw at Stoke the previous Saturday, as well as Sol Davis, who had been dismissed for 'excessive speed and force in a tackle' in the same game. Google it if you haven't seen it recently!

The Owls started the brighter and went close through Jermaine Johnson and Kenny Lunt before,

on 25 minutes, a pinpoint centre from Frank Simek was headed in at the far post by Deon Burton.

'Here we go again' we all thought, but eight minutes later we were level when Fulham loanee Bjorn Runstrom stabbed the ball home from close range following a goalmouth scramble.

The game remained closely contested until the 54th minute when Wednesday's Lee Bullen miskicked, allowing Drew Talbot to run through before firing in a cross which was turned into his own goal by Tommy Spurr. Glenn Whelan levelled again soon after with a powerful 25-yard shot before Talbot, signed only the month before from the Owls for £250,000, cleverly slotted home an unlikely winner.

Luton Town: Beresford, Foley, Keane, Heikkinen, Emanuel, Spring, Morgan (Langley), Robinson, Bell, Runstrom, Talbot (Boyd).

Sheffield Wednesday: Crossley, Spurr, Watson, Bullen, Simek, Brunt, Lunt (Folly), Johnson (Tudgay), MacLean (Graham), Burton.

COVERED!

CLUB HISTORIAN ROGER WASH PICKS OUT EIGHT PROGRAMME COVERS FROM PAST GAMES WITH OUR OPPONENTS

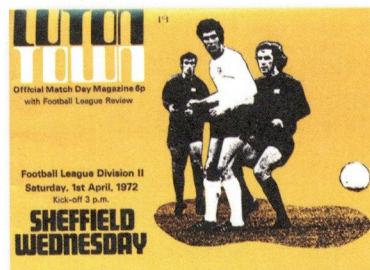


November 1951

Promotion challengers Luton and Wednesday battle it out at Kenilworth Road with the Hatters running out 5-3 winners. Winger Bert Mitchell weighs in with two of the Town's goals.

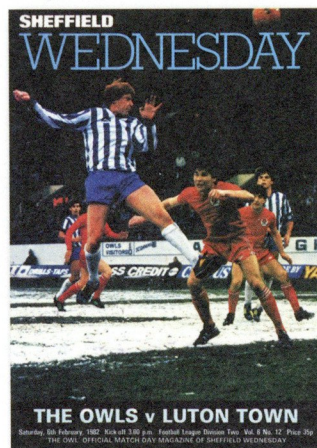
April 1972

Vic Halom nets a hat-trick in 11 minutes to stun Wednesday, who have opened the scoring. Halom, signed as a replacement for the irreplaceable Malcolm Macdonald, finally wins over the critical Luton supporters in this 3-1 victory.



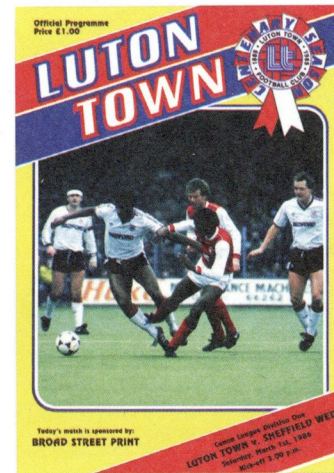
November 1980

The 'Match of the Day' cameras see the Town struggle against a dogged Wednesday but once David Moss opens the scoring on 51 minutes the floodgates open and the Hatters eventually win 3-0.



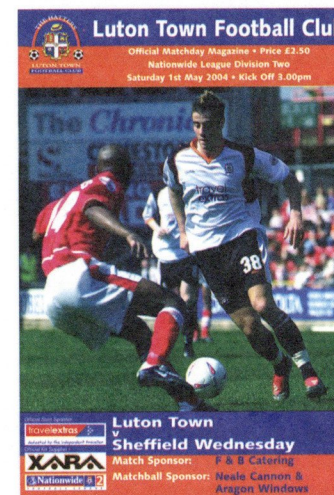
February 1982

The Owls are aggressive and lead table-toppers Luton 3-2 until Gary Megson is dismissed with two minutes to go, leaving Brian Stein to level 60 seconds later.



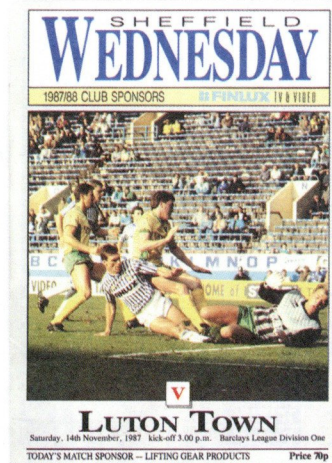
March 1986

For the first time since being back at the top-flight there will be no fears of relegation as a solitary Mick Harford goal secures the points to break the magical 50 barrier.



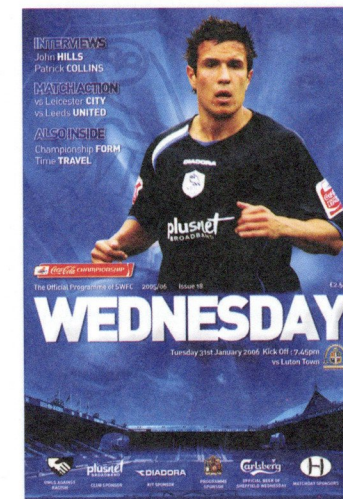
May 2004

With both sides entrenched in mid-table, this end-of-season game sees the Owls take a two-goal lead, only for the Town to roar back to win 3-2 with Steve Howard netting the clincher in the final minute.



November 1987

The Hatters win at Hillsborough for only the second time when goals from Mark Stein and Ian Allinson secure a 2-0 victory.



January 2006

The Town win away for the first time in four months to re-ignite their faint play-off hopes. A penalty from Kevin Nicholls and a stupendous effort from Rowan Vine in the second half secure a 2-0 victory, despite being under the cosh in the first period.

DEADLY DUOS

FOOTBALL HISTORIAN LEIGH EDWARDS PROFILES FOUR NOTABLE POST-WAR SHEFFIELD WEDNESDAY GOALSCORING PARTNERSHIPS

DEREK DOOLEY & JACKIE SEWELL

Ace marksman Derek Dooley scored a club record 46 goals in Sheffield Wednesday's 1951-52 Second Division title triumph. Initially an amateur with Lincoln City, he was top scorer for their reserves in 1946-47 and netted on his League debut at the end of that season. He moved to Wednesday in June 1947 and scored 62 goals in 61 League games until suffering a broken leg at Preston in February 1953. Gangrene set in and the limb had to be amputated. Later running Wednesday's development fund, he was manager for three years until December 1973, then held executive posts at Sheffield United and died in March 2008.

England international inside-forward Jackie Sewell featured in Sheffield Wednesday's 1951-52 Second Division title triumph. Starting with Kells Centre, he joined Notts County in October 1944 and partnered Tommy Lawton as they won the Third Division (South) title in 1949-50. He moved to Wednesday for a British record £35,000 in March 1951 and starred as they were FA Cup semi-finalists in 1953-54, then was top scorer in 1954-55. Netting 87 goals in 164 League outings, he was sold to Aston Villa for £23,000 in December 1955, then played for Hull City. Later a car salesman in Nottingham, he died in September 2016.

ROY SHINER & ALBERT QUIXALL

Bustling centre-forward Roy Shiner was top scorer in Sheffield Wednesday's 1955-56 and 1958-59 Second Division title triumphs. He impressed with hometown Ryde Sports before moving to Cheltenham Town in February 1948 and was twice leading marksman. Joining Huddersfield Town in December 1951, he was a promotion winner in 1952-53 and moved to Hillsborough with Ron Staniforth in July 1955. He netted 93 goals in 153 League outings for Wednesday prior to joining Hull City for £6,500 in November 1959, then returned to Cheltenham in July 1961. Later managing several Isle of Wight clubs, he died in October 1988.

England international inside-forward Albert Quixall was capped five times while at Sheffield Wednesday. Signing professional at Hillsborough in August 1950, he starred as Wednesday won the Second Division title in 1955-56 and netted 63 goals in 241 League games before moving to Manchester United for a record £45,000 in September 1958. He featured in their 1963 FA Cup final triumph and joined Oldham Athletic in September 1964. Moving to Stockport County in July 1966, he helped win the Fourth Division title in 1966-67, then played for Altrincham and became a scrap metal dealer in Manchester until his retirement.



David Hirst

JOHN FANTHAM & BRONCO LAYNE

England international inside-left John Fantham was Sheffield Wednesday's leading marksman on five occasions. Born locally, he turned professional at Hillsborough in October 1956 and featured prominently in Wednesday's 1958-59 Second Division title triumph. He also starred as they were League Championship runners-up in 1960-61, Fairs Cup quarter-finalists in 1962 and FA Cup finalists in 1966, netting 147 goals in 388 League games before moving to Rotherham United in October 1969. Later with Macclesfield Town, he ran his machine tools business and had a spell as coach at Hallam. He died in Sheffield in June 2014.

Popular centre-forward Bronco Layne twice topped Sheffield Wednesday's goalscoring charts. Christened David, he turned professional with Rotherham United in July 1957 and moved to Swindon Town in June 1959. He was leading marksman in 1959-60, joining Bradford City in December 1960 and scoring a club record 34 goals in 1961-62. Sold to Wednesday for £22,500 in February 1962, he netted 52 times in 74 First Division games for the Owls until banned in April 1964 after a major bribery scandal. He briefly resurrected his career with Wednesday in July 1972, then became a publican in Bolsover and Sheffield.



Mark Bright

DAVID HIRST & MARK BRIGHT

England international striker David Hirst was leading marksman in Sheffield Wednesday's 1990-91 promotion and League Cup 'double' triumph. Signing professional for Barnsley in November 1985, he moved to Hillsborough for £200,000 in August 1986 and gained the first of three England caps against Australia in June 1991. He played for Wednesday in both the 1993 FA Cup and League Cup finals, netting 106 goals in 294 League games for the Owls before being sold to Southampton for £2m in October 1997. A knee injury forced his retirement in January 2000 and he has since worked in corporate hospitality.

Striker Mark Bright was Sheffield Wednesday's top scorer in three successive seasons. Initially with Leek Town, he joined Port Vale in October 1981 and moved via Leicester City to Crystal Palace in November 1986. He starred alongside Ian Wright as they won promotion in 1988-89, were FA Cup finalists in 1990 and lifted the ZDS Cup in 1991. Moving to Hillsborough for £1.375m in September 1992, he starred as Wednesday were FA Cup and League Cup finalists in 1993, netting 48 goals in 132 Premier League games before joining Sion in January 1997. Later with Charlton Athletic, he has since worked in the media.

THE ROAD TO WEMBLEY 1959 PART THREE

IN THIS OCCASIONAL SERIES CLUB HISTORIAN ROGER WASH RECOUNTS THE HATTERS' 1959 FA CUP RUN

Sixty years ago the Hatters embarked on a famous FA Cup run that would see them fight their way through to Wembley for the first time in their history.

We have already seen how a re-shuffled side hammered Leeds 5-1 at Kenilworth Road, beat Leicester 4-1 after a replay and then went to Portman Road to return victorious following a 5-2 win over Ipswich after going a goal down in the opening minute.

The Town were now through to the quarter-finals of the competition for only the third time, but the draw was not kind with the long trip to Blackpool the reward.

Rugged

The Seasideers were arguably the strongest side left in the competition and the tie revived memories of a titanic struggle five years before, when the Town eventually went out to Blackpool after three replays.

Despite the distance, a good number of Luton supporters made their way up to the north-west but found little to excite them in a rugged game dominated by the respective defences.

The match seemed to be petering out to a draw when, with only five minutes left, a long cross from Bob Morton was expertly headed home by Northern Ireland international winger Billy Bingham, who had ghosted in on the blind side.

The Hatters seemed to have booked their passage into the semi-finals when, with the referee looking at his watch, a Blackpool attack seemed to have

broken down with the ball running through to Luton full-back Ken Hawkes on the edge of the box. Hawkes could have thumped the ball out of the ground, but instead played a weak back pass to goalkeeper Ron Baynham.

The ball never reached Baynham as Blackpool forward Ray Charnley nipped in to level the score. There was not enough time left to restart the game and a devastated Hawkes said afterwards: "I ought to be whipped."

Skipper Syd Owen stood up for his distraught colleague and promised that the Town would win through in the replay, which was to take place at Kenilworth Road on the following Wednesday.

Amazed

Blackpool, or allegedly Stanley Matthews, refused to play under Luton's floodlights and so the kick-off time was reluctantly brought forward to 3pm. The Town officials resigned themselves to the fact that the game would be less than a sell-out because of the early kick-off, but they were amazed when the turnstiles stopped clicking and it was revealed that a record crowd of 30,069 had been shoehorned in. Truancy was rife that afternoon, but as a good number of schoolteachers were probably also present, it did not matter!

The match itself was a typical full-blooded cup tie with no quarter given on a difficult, muddy pitch.



Allan Brown scores the goal that puts the Town through to the FA Cup semi-final

Few chances were created at either end and it looked increasingly likely that only one goal would swing the tie.

Luckily that one goal fell to the Hatters inside-forward Allan Brown, who was playing against his old side.

Six years previously Brown had broken a leg as he scored Blackpool's winner in a quarter-final tie at Arsenal, and the thoughts of that game must have come flooding back as he ran on to a clever George Cummins pass and swept the ball into the net just as Seasideers goalkeeper George Farm crashed into him.

Mercifully, Brown jumped straight to his feet and was able to assist the Town defence, superbly marshalled by Owen, for the final 16 minutes of the pulsating tie. At the final whistle the crowd invaded

the pitch and for a time the players were submerged in a sea of delirious supporters.

The Hatters were now through to the semi-finals for the first time in their 74-year history, where their opponents were to be Third Division giant-killers, Norwich City.

Luton Town: (both games) Baynham, McNally, Hawkes, Groves, Owen, Pacey, Bingham, Brown, Morton, Cummins, Gregory.

Blackpool: (first game) Farm, Armfield, Wright, Hauser, Gratrix, H Kelly, Matthews, Mudie, Charnley, Durie, Perry.



Blackpool: (second game) Farm, Armfield, Wright, Hauser, Gratrix, H Kelly, Matthews, Mudie, Charnley, J Kelly, Durie.

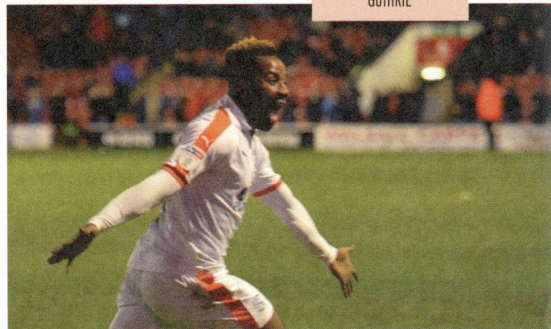
WALSALL LUTON TOWN

TOWN GOALS: COLLINS 72, LUALUA 90+4

WALSALL GOALS: FERRIER (PEN) 26, COOK 67



	
SHEA STACEY PEARSON BRADLEY JUSTIN McCORMACK SHINNIE (SHEEHAN 72) MPANZU LEE (LUALUA 63) COLLINS CORNICK (HYLTON 35)	ROBERTS EDWARDS LEAHY DOBSON GUTHRIE DEVLIN COOK KINSELLA FERRIER FITZWATER GORDON (WILSON 80)
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YELLOW CARDS: McCORMACK HYLTON COLLINS	YELLOW CARDS: GORDON GUTHRIE



STORY OF THE MATCH

Kazenga LuaLua sent the away support into an absolute frenzy as his late equaliser saw the Town snatch a point as they came from two goals down at the Banks's Stadium.

Morgan Ferrier netted from the penalty spot after Jack Stacey had upended George Dobson in the box midway through the first half, before Andy Cook doubled the hosts' advantage on 67 minutes when he fired home from close range.

James Collins turned and fired in five minutes later after a marauding run from Alan McCormack, and the Hatters should have been on level terms with 74 minutes gone as Danny Hylton nodded in, but the linesman wrongly had his flag up for offside.

Substitute LuaLua managed to fire home in the fourth minute of injury time when the ball fell to him after McCormack nodded it into his path, with the former Brighton man converting with the outside of his boot in dramatic fashion.



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STORY OF THE MATCH

Whilst it won't necessarily be one to remember for years to come, Town played out an interesting goalless draw at Kenilworth Road – the first since Nathan Jones' first game in charge – against the Tykes.

High quality chances were at a premium, with the best falling for former Hatters forward Cauley Woodrow, but he put it wide with the outside of his right foot when through on goal, when he should have really scored.

Barnsley looked in control for a long period of the first half, but the Hatters grew back into it and were the better side in the second, Andrew Shinnie and Elliot Lee firing off good efforts from outside the box, but to no avail.

A point was a fair result against a side tipped by many at the start of the campaign to be challenging for an automatic promotion spot.



SHEA
STACEY
PEARSON
BRADLEY
McCORMACK
SHINNIE
MPANZU
LEE (CORNICK 88)
(BERRY 90)
HYLTON
COLLINS

SUBS NOT USED:

ISTED
GRANT
LUALUA
JONES
SHEEHAN

YELLOW CARD:
SHINNIE

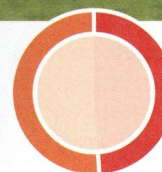


DAVIES
DOUGALL (BÄHRE 64)
PINNOCK
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McGEEHAN
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WOODROW
THIAM (BROWN 76)
MOWATT
WILLIAMS

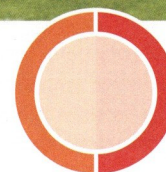
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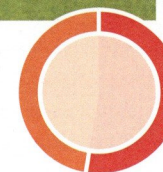
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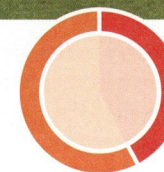
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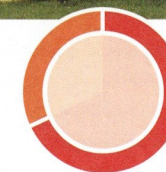
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SHOTS OFF TARGET
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CORNERS
7 | 5



FOULS
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SHEFF WEDS LUTON TOWN

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SHEA
STACEY
PEARSON
BRADLEY
JUSTIN
McCORMACK
BERRY (LUALUA 82')
SHINNIE
LEE (JARVIS 89')
HYLTON
COLLINS (MPANZU 66')

SUBS NOT USED:

JONES
SHEEHAN
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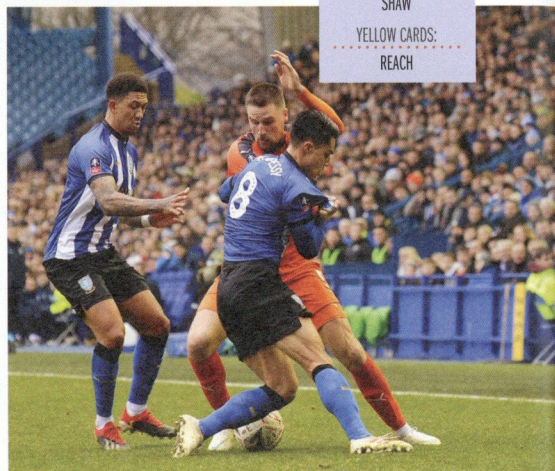


DAWSON
PALMER
FOX
FLETCHER (NUHIU 76')
BANNAN
LEES
MATIAS (WINNALL 58')
REACH
BOYD
HUTCHINSON
(PELUPESSY 26')
HECTOR

SUBS NOT USED:

WILDSMITH,
THORNILEY
BAKER
SHAW

YELLOW CARDS:
REACH



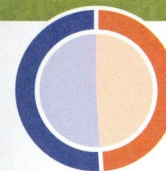
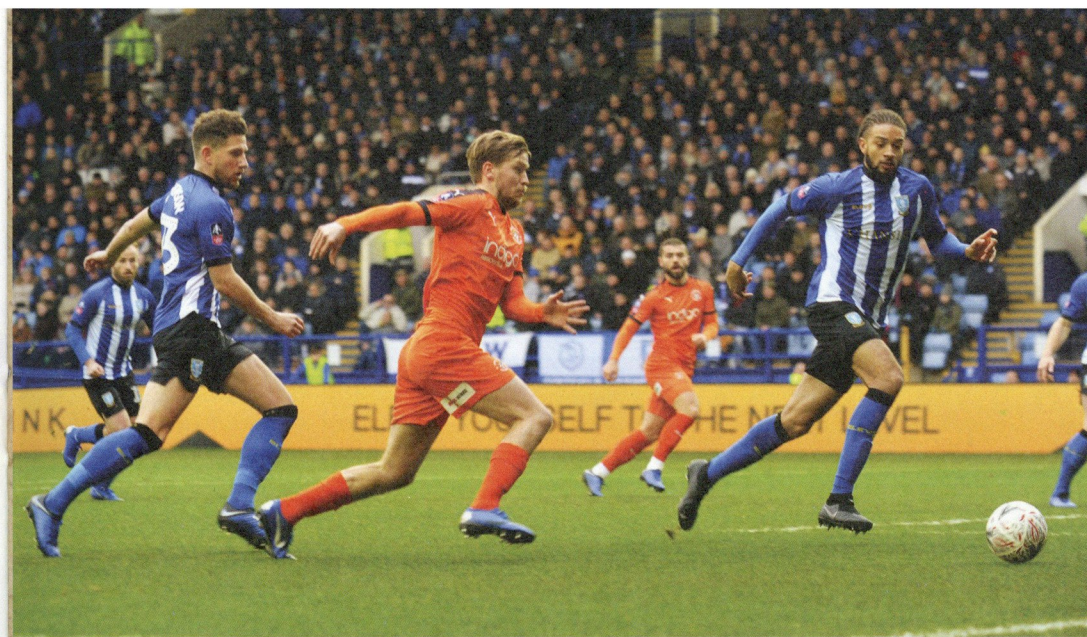
STORY OF THE MATCH

Town went toe-to-toe with Sky Bet Championship Sheffield Wednesday and were their equals throughout the 90 minutes as the sides drew 0-0 at Hillsborough.

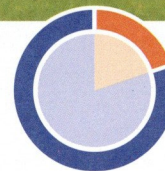
The game marked Luke Berry's first start for the Hatters since his horrific injury at Colchester on Good Friday, but you wouldn't have known he'd been out at all as he went about his business in exactly the same fashion we've all been used to at Kenilworth Road.

Steven Fletcher headed just over within the opening 90 seconds from Barry Bannan's cross, with the former Wolves man probably feeling he should have done better.

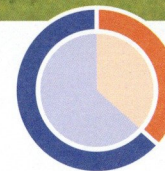
Apart from that both teams weren't able to carve out any real goalscoring opportunities, with the game going to a replay – the winner of which will play holders Chelsea at Stamford Bridge.



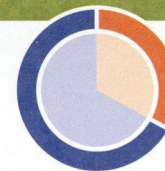
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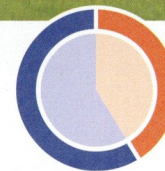
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SHOTS OFF TARGET
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CORNERS
7 | 3



FOULS
13 | 8

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TRAVELLER'S TALES

LUTON TOWN SUPPORTERS' TRUST MEDIA OFFICER **KEVIN HARPER'S** TRIP TO HILLSBOROUGH

THE JOURNEY

With the early kick off time it was a ridiculously early 5.30am alarm ahead of the trip to Sheffield Wednesday, which I have to say was not welcome, but I found the will to get up, and head off for the coach an hour later. Daylight finally broke as we approached Leicester and after a stop on the way we got to Sheffield in very good time.

RATING: (OUT OF 5) ⚽⚽

THE GROUND

It had been a while since I had been to Hillsborough, so I didn't remember much about the ground but you can tell it is an old stadium. The gangways are pretty tight for a large following and the facilities not the best. The view from inside the ground was very good though and I'd imagine when it's full quite an atmosphere gets created.

RATING: ⚽⚽⚽⚽

THE FOOD

It was too early for me to be interested in getting anything to eat, and by the time we got inside the ground the queues for the refreshments were pretty big anyway. Speaking to people who survived the queues the food didn't sound too bad.

RATING: ⚽⚽⚽

THE PROGRAMME

For a cup match, the programme wasn't too bad. There was a little bit in it for Town fans to take in, with much of it filled up with adverts and home

announcements and things. It wasn't the worst for £3 but not the best either.

RATING: ⚽⚽

THE MATCH

Much like the match against Barnsley on New Year's Day, two good, evenly matched sides cancelled each other out in many ways in the match. Sheffield Wednesday played a first team bar the keeper and we made just one change. Chances were at a premium during the contest, but we were pretty comfortable throughout, even if we didn't threaten to score as much as we usually do. This had the feeling of a stalemate quite early in the piece and that was how it played out, so we will have to do it all again for the right to head to Stamford Bridge.

RATING: ⚽⚽

MAN OF THE MATCH

It had to go to a defender really. You could have chosen any of the four but I liked the industry and endeavour of Jack Stacey. He kept his wide man quiet and got forward to support the attacks as much as possible, and did not look out of place against Championship opposition.

SUMMARY

Not the best game in the world but I fancy us to turn them over back at our place. It was a great away day nonetheless. The journey home wasn't too bad and set up a much needed early night!

OVERALL RATING: 13

SUNDERLAND LUTON TOWN

SUNDERLAND GOAL: MAGUIRE 16 • TOWN GOAL: COLLINS (PEN) 68

STORY OF THE MATCH

It was an eventful afternoon at the Stadium of Light on Saturday, as Mick Harford's side picked up a massive point at his boyhood club.

Chris Maguire opened the scoring 16 minutes in when Alan McCormack's clearance fell to the forward, who controlled well and fired in from just inside the box.

James Collins got the Town back onto level terms from the penalty spot with 68 minutes gone after Danny Hylton was upended as he tried to get a shot away from close range. The former Crawley Town made no mistake, firing it into the top right corner.

Hylton was shown a straight red card just two minutes later when he was adjudged to have caught Jack Baldwin in an aerial duel, before Maguire was also given his marching orders for a stamp on McCormack late on.

James Collins fires home the penalty that brought the Town level



SHEA
STACEY
PEARSON
BRADLEY
JUSTIN
McCORMACK
MPANZU
SHINNIE
LEE (BERRY 79)
COLLINS
HYLTON

SUBS NOT USED:

POTTS
THORNE
LUALUA
JONES
SHEEHAN
ISTED

YELLOW CARDS:

LEE
SHINNIE
COLLINS
McCORMACK

RED CARD:

HYLTON



McLAUGHLIN
MAGUIRE
McGEOUCH
WYKE
GOOCH
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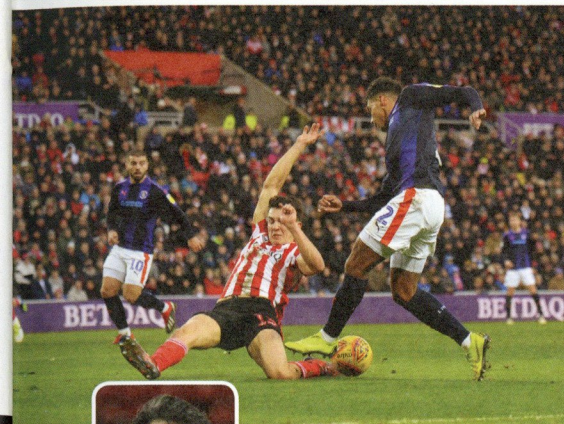
RUITER
MATTHEWS
OZTURK
DUNNE
MUMBA

YELLOW CARDS:

FLANAGAN
JAMES

RED CARD:

MAGUIRE



HARFORD

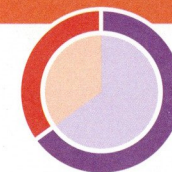
"It was very, very eventful and I am proud of the players, the players were magnificent. They've gone out there, played a style of football, and Sunderland, that was above the level in terms of where we are. Exciting football, we could have been 3-0 up in the first 15, 20 minutes – the keeper pulled off some magnificent saves. We took a bit of pressure and they scored a goal that disappointed us a little bit, but we got in at half-time 1-0, we

came out and in my opinion, dominated the game and got our deserved goal.

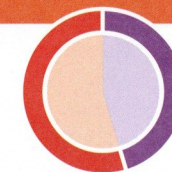
"Overall, the players, the staff, they've been amazing for the past few days in terms of what has happened at the football club and I am very proud of the players in terms of what they have done and what they have achieved today. 37,000 supporters here today and I think a lot of them will go away and say 'Luton Town are a good football team'."



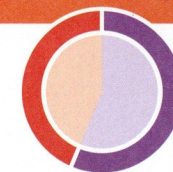
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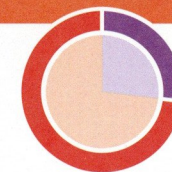
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SHOTS OFF TARGET
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CORNERS
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FOULS
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ACADEMY UPDATE

With a break from fixtures our U18s returned to league action on 5th January, scoring late-on to draw 2-2 with Barnet at the Hive.

It has been the aim of relevant staff to begin integrating some of the current U16s who have been offered apprenticeships next season into training and matches, whilst also implementing more specific physical programmes to aid performance and to minimise the risk of injury.

All of these players undergo a battery of physical and physiological tests. Ali (Lead Academy Sports Scientist) will assess the player's movement ability as well as their level of fitness, whilst I look for any specific areas of which they might be at risk of injury.

Furthermore, each of these players will undergo cardiac screening, an initiative funded by the FA and the PFA.

ACADEMY SPORTS SCIENCE & MEDICAL DEPARTMENT

As an Academy Sports Science & Medical department, we are fortunate to have access to the excellent facilities that we have at The Brache, therefore enabling us to deliver a high level of care and optimise the delivery of the players' physical programmes.

Over the Christmas period whilst there were no fixtures, we employed a new strategy for our U18 players to continue training and enter a block of physical training, rather than have a break. This was because we had noticed a trend over recent years of a spike in the number of muscular injuries sustained in January and February.

Therefore, we are hoping that this physical training will again help to minimise this risk of injury.

This season we have established a more extensive research project analysing injuries sustained across the U9-U18s, with any findings helping all relevant coaching, medical and sports science staff to make changes to physical training.

Enjoy the game today, come on you Hatters!

YOUTH TEAM FIXTURES 2018/19

AUGUST

Sat 4	Gillingham	A	L 0-4
Sat 11	Barnet	H	W 2-0
Sat 18	AFC Wimbledon	A	W 3-0
Sat 25	Cambridge Utd	A	D 1-1
Tue 28	Cambridge Utd (EFL Cup)	H	L 1-4

SEPTEMBER

Sat 1	Peterborough Utd	H	W 4-2
Sat 15	N'hampton Town	H	L 0-2
Sat 22	MK Dons	A	W 3-1
Sat 29	Stevenage	H	L 1-3

OCTOBER

Sat 6	Leyton Orient	A	W 2-1
Sat 13	Southend Utd	H	L 3-8
Sat 20	Cambridge Utd	H	W 1-0
Fri 26	Brentwood Town (FAY Cup R1)		W 4-1

NOVEMBER

Sat 3	Peterborough	A	W 5-1
Tue 6	Peterborough (FAY Cup R2)	A	L 0-3
Sat 17	N'hampton Town	A	L 0-2
Sat 24	Stevenage	A	L 1-2

DECEMBER

Sat 1st	MK Dons	H	W 2-1
Sat 15th	Southend	A	D 1-1
Sat 22nd	Gillingham	H	D 1-1

JANUARY

Sat 5	Barnet	A	D 1-1
Sat 19	AFC Wimbledon	H	

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LUTON TOWN IN THE COMMUNITY

THE KENNY'S MAGNIFICENT HERITAGE SPANS THE GENERATIONS AS LINDA FOLLOWS IN MUM'S FOOTSTEPS 83 YEARS ON!

The Trust's recent Heritage Lottery grant to share the Town's history with local school children is certainly throwing up some remarkable stories.

At the end of last year the Trust issued an appeal for information about an 'illegal' women's game at Kenilworth Road in 1935 between Woolworth and Marks and Spencer. Photographs of the game were widely shared by the media and on social media and we were astonished and delighted when Linda Strapp came forward to confirm her mother, Laura Ainsworth, was one of the players.

Eighty-three years after Laura Ainsworth took to the pitch at Kenilworth Road, her daughter followed in her mum's footsteps before our home match against Fleetwood Town in December and like mother, like daughter, 83 years on Laura stood on the very spot her mum was pictured at Kenilworth Road on the day Luton Town hosted an 'illegal' women's match! Yes, in those days women were not allowed to play at professional clubs by the FA – not sure what, if any, the sanctions were back then – 35 points maybe!

Prior to the match, social historian David Cain interviewed Linda Strapp about her mother's experiences of playing football, her own support for



Luton Town, and the meaning of the game for young people today. They started by discussing Linda's surprise when on Facebook one day she saw a photograph of her mother on the Kenilworth Road pitch.

She said: "That's my mum! I just looked straight away, 'That's my mum, it can't be anybody else!' It was fantastic. So proud." Yet despite women's football being illegal at Football Association affiliated grounds in 1935, Linda reflected that playing football was typical of her mum.

"If there was anything to try she would try it, she was a very out going person if you like. If there was something new she was not shy to go forward and do it. That was her, definitely. I know she played for Marks & Spencers. They used to train together, her friends and the team, but I had no idea whatsoever that she played at the stadium.



Photo: Luton News

It was a complete shock and I'm am very proud of the fact that she played on this lovely old ground."

Although Linda no longer visits the Kenny to watch matches, she remains a life-long Hatters supporter. "I came in 1966, I met my husband at a football match and that was 1967. Not a lot, I'm afraid to say, has changed here since. We do need a nice new ground, I must admit, we desperately need our new ground.

"It's a very friendly place you know. It's always has been a very friendly club and we've always enjoyed it and we used to have season tickets and continued to travel from the midlands, but we've now moved further away so this has been a lovely trip down memory lane for me."

In many ways Laura was a trailblazer for women's football and daughter Linda's family is keeping the tradition going. "I've got two grandchildren who are following in grandma's footsteps playing now, and playing quite well. Women have got as much

right as men to play football. (My mother) would be thrilled to think that she had done something that people were interested in. Yes. Really thrilled."

As well as identifying her mother, Linda was able to name three other women's players from this era. Margaret Clark (married name Fox) who played for Woolworths, Mary Clark (married name Pillar) who played for Marks & Spencer and Connie Dimmock.

If you recognise any of these names or can help shed further light on the 1935 women's match at Kenilworth Road, please contact our Community Heritage Engagement Officer Natasha Rolt by emailing natasha.rolt@lutontown.co.uk or calling the Community Trust Office on **01582 561622**.

The research currently being undertaken by Natasha into the Hatters history is revealing some intriguing stories and we will be sharing these with supporters soon as we launch further appeals for information on the club's 130-year history, which we'll be taking into schools around the Town later this year.

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HATTERS LADIES

BY DANIEL TAGG

Luton Town 9-0 Sharnbrook

HATTERS BRUSH ASIDE LOWER LEAGUE OPPOSITION TO PROGRESS TO CUP SEMI- FINALS

Luton returned from their Christmas break last weekend to face Sharnbrook in the quarter-final of the Bedfordshire County Cup, a fixture postponed prior to the beginning of the festive season.

Aurora Ryan spearheaded the Luton onslaught, her mazy runs leaving her opponents chasing shadows, and the midfield dynamism of Jess McKay and Zara Carroll allowed the likes of Dionne Manning and Olivia Abraham to let loose on the home side's defence.

It took just 11 minutes for the Hatters to make the breakthrough, Ryan slotting calmly past the keeper into the far corner of the net.

Excellent

Then the floodgates opened and Luton looked like scoring every time they went forward. Following a couple of agonising misses, Ryan finally got a well-deserved second goal, tapping the ball home from inside the six-yard box after Manning's powerful effort was spilled.

Manning soon notched a goal of her own with an excellent finish following an intelligent interchange with Ryan, who this time turned provider.

Despite the tie being all but over going into the second half, Luton continued to venture forward, Olivia Abraham grabbing the fourth – and her first for the first team – not long after the restart with a nice finish to round off a good team move.

Ten minutes later, Zara Carroll arguably scored the pick of the bunch, her free-kick soaring unstopably into the top corner from 30 yards.

It then took just a matter of seconds for Maddison Goodenough to add a sixth, a chipped finish for her first goal for the first team.

Substitute Remi Bains was also looking to get in on the act, and she would have done so quickly if it wasn't for the post preventing her shot from hitting the net; fortunately, though, Rachel Kosky was on hand to roll the ball in from the rebound.

Bains did then manage to get her goal, and Jess McKay then became the game's eighth different goalscorer, just moments after a solo effort that saw her beat the entire Sharnbrook defence before hitting her shot against the crossbar.

This time around, her stunning long range attempt found the net to end the game in style.

This impressive performance gives hope to everyone involved that the team's poor form from the first half of the season can be bettered.

FA WOMEN'S PREMIER LEAGUE SOUTH EAST DIVISION ONE FIXTURES 2018/19

Sun Aug 19	Leyton Orient	L 0-1	Sun Dec 2	Billericay (FACupR2)	L 1-3
Sun Aug 26	AFC Wimbledon	L 1-3	Sun Dec 9	Norwich City	L 1-4
Sun Sep 2	Cheltenham (Cup)	L 1-3	Sun Jan 6	Sharnbrook (BCC)	W 9-0
Sun Sep 9	Actonians	L 0-3	Sun Jan 13	Leyton Orient	L 0-3
Sun Sep 16	Billericay Town	L 1-2	Sun Jan 20	AFC Wimbledon	A
Sun Sep 23	Dunstable (Cup)	W 7-0	Sun Feb 3	Actonians	H
Sun Sep 30	Ipswich Town	W 3-1	Sun Feb 13	Enfield Town	A
Wed Oct 3	Denham United	D 0-0	Sun Feb 17	Billericay Town	H
Sun Oct 7	Oxford City	W 5-2	Sun Mar 10	Ipswich Town	A
Sun Oct 14	Gillingham (plate)	L 4-5	(Home games at Stockwood Park Athletics Stadium)		
Sun Nov 4	Cambridge Utd	L 0-1	*W 3-1 on penalties		
Sun Nov 11	Kent (FACupR1)	W 1-1*			



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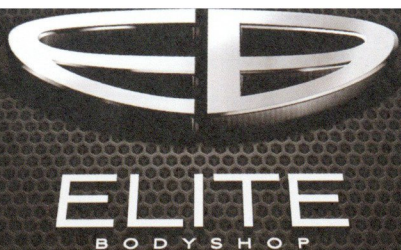
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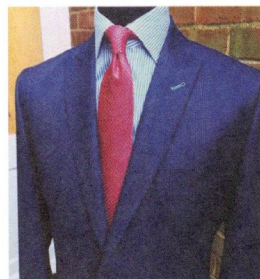
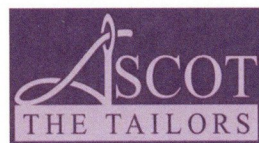


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LEAGUE TABLE 2018/19

		P	W	D	L	F	A	GD	PTS
1	Portsmouth	27	17	6	4	46	25	21	57
2	Luton Town	27	15	8	4	50	25	25	53
3	Sunderland	26	14	10	2	47	25	22	52
4	Charlton Athletic	28	15	5	8	46	31	15	50
5	Barnsley	26	14	7	5	43	22	21	49
6	Peterborough United	27	13	8	6	47	34	13	47
7	Doncaster Rovers	27	13	6	8	49	35	14	45
8	Coventry City	28	11	6	11	30	32	-2	39
9	Blackpool	26	10	8	8	27	25	2	38
10	Fleetwood Town	27	9	8	10	37	32	5	35
11	Burton Albion	27	10	5	12	36	36	0	35
12	Southend United	27	11	2	14	34	34	0	35
13	Wycombe Wanderers	27	9	8	10	37	40	-3	35
14	Accrington Stanley	26	9	8	9	27	35	-8	35
15	Scunthorpe United	28	9	6	13	36	53	-17	33
16	Walsall	27	8	8	11	29	43	-14	32
17	Gillingham	27	9	4	14	39	45	-6	31
18	Shrewsbury Town	27	7	9	11	29	35	-6	30
19	Rochdale	28	8	6	14	34	58	-24	30
20	Bristol Rovers	27	7	7	13	25	29	-4	28
21	Oxford United	27	6	9	12	33	43	-10	27
22	Bradford City	27	8	3	16	31	43	-12	27
23	Plymouth Argyle	27	7	6	14	34	49	-15	27
24	AFC Wimbledon	27	6	5	16	21	38	-17	23

PLAYER STATS 2018/19

		THIS SEASON										LTCF			
		LEAGUE				CUP				TOTAL		DISP		CAREER T	
		APPS	GLS	APPS	GLS	APPS	GLS	Y	R	APPS	GLS				
	Luke Berry	0	(5)	0	1	(1)	0	1	(6)	0	0	0	46	8	
	Sonny Bradley	25	(1)	0	4	(0)	0	29	(1)	0	4	0	30	0	
	James Collins	25	(2)	11	3	(0)	0	28	(2)	11	5	0	75	31	
	Harry Cornick	13	(9)	5	5	(0)	2	18	(9)	7	0	0	68	12	
	Luke Gambin	0	(0)	0	1	(0)	0	1	(0)	0	0	0	38	3	
	Jorge Grant	13	(4)	2	4	(1)	2	17	(5)	4	2	2	22	4	
	Danny Hylton	10	(6)	5	2	(1)	0	12	(7)	5	2	2	109	55	
	Harry Isled	0	(0)	0	2	(0)	0	2	(0)	0	0	0	2	0	
	Jack James	0	(0)	0	1	(0)	0	1	(0)	0	0	0	2	0	
	Aaron Jarvis	0	(4)	0	4	(1)	1	4	(5)	1	0	0	13	2	
	Jake Jervis	0	(2)	0	1	(0)	0	1	(2)	0	0	0	13	0	
	Lloyd Jones	0	(1)	0	3	(1)	0	3	(2)	0	1	0	6	0	
	James Justin	16	(8)	3	6	(2)	0	22	(10)	3	1	0	94	6	
	Elliot Lee	24	(0)	10	3	(1)	0	27	(1)	10	4	0	77	25	
	Kazenga LuaLua	0	(8)	1	3	(2)	1	3	(10)	2	1	0	13	2	
	Alan McCormack	6	(2)	0	4	(0)	0	10	(2)	0	7	0	28	1	
	Pelly Ruddock Mpanzu	27	(0)	1	3	(2)	0	30	(2)	1	2	0	186	10	
	Frankie Musonda	0	(0)	0	1	(1)	0	1	(1)	0	0	0	14	1	
	Josh Neufville	0	(0)	0	0	(3)	0	0	(3)	0	0	0	3	0	
	Eunan O'Kane	0	(3)	0	1	(0)	0	1	(3)	0	0	0	4	0	
	Matty Pearson	27	(0)	3	5	(0)	0	32	(0)	3	0	0	32	3	
	Jake Peck	0	(0)	0	0	(1)	0	0	(1)	0	0	0	1	0	
	Dan Potts	14	(3)	1	1	(1)	0	15	(4)	1	4	0	108	9	
	Glen Read	20	(2)	1	4	(1)	0	24	(3)	1	5	0	136	5	
	Arthur Read	0	(0)	0	4	(0)	1	4	(0)	1	0	0	7	1	
	Jack Senior	0	(0)	0	3	(0)	0	3	(0)	0	1	0	24	0	
	James Shea	24	(0)	0	4	(0)	0	28	(0)	0	0	0	41	0	
	Alan Sheehan	3	(8)	0	4	(0)	1	7	(8)	1	1	0	122	8	
	Andrew Shinnie	21	(2)	4	5	(0)	1	26	(2)	5	6	0	62	8	
	Jack Stacey	26	(0)	2	4	(0)	0	30	(0)	2	1	0	75	3	
	Marek Stech	3	(0)	0	2	(0)	0	5	(0)	0	0	0	47	0	
	Connor Tomlinson	0	(0)	0	0	(1)	0	0	(1)	0	0	0	2	0	

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AUGUST													
Sat 4	3.00pm	A	Portsmouth	L 0-1	19,018	2,392	21	Stech	Justin	Pearson	Sheehan	Potts	McCormack ●
Sat 11	3.00pm	H	Sunderland	D 1-1	10,059	1,047	19	Stech	Stacey	Pearson 1	Sheehan	Potts	McCormack
Tue 14	8.00pm	A	West Bromwich Albion (CC R1)	L 0-1	10,404	1,175	-	Shea	Stacey	Pearson	Bradley	Justin	Rea ●
Sat 18	3.00pm	A	Peterborough United	L 1-3	8,016	2,209	22	Stech	Stacey	Pearson ●	Bradley	Sheehan	McCormack ●
Tue 21	7.45pm	H	Southend United	W 2-0	9,086	916	15	Shea	Stacey	Pearson	Bradley	Potts	Rea
Sat 25	3.00pm	H	Shrewsbury Town	W 3-2	8,518	379	10	Shea	Stacey 1	Pearson	Bradley	Potts	Rea
SEPTEMBER													
Sat 1	3.00pm	A	Wycombe Wanderers	D 1-1	6,072	1,702	9	Shea	Stacey	Pearson 1	Bradley	Potts	Rea
Tue 4	7.45pm	H	Brighton & Hove Albion U21 (CT)	W 2-1	1,318	44	-	Isted	Justin	Jones	Sheehan	Senior	McCormack ●
Sat 8	3.00pm	A	Doncaster Rovers	L 1-2	7,526	1,013	11	Shea	Stacey	Pearson	Bradley	Potts	Rea
Sat 15	3.00pm	H	Bristol Rovers	W 1-0	8,912	519	11	Shea	Stacey	Pearson	Bradley	Potts	Rea
Sat 22	3.00pm	A	Blackpool	D 0-0	4,124	1,382	12	Shea	Stacey	Pearson	Bradley	Potts	Rea
Sat 29	3.00pm	H	Charlton Athletic	D 2-2	9,502	1,032	12	Shea	Stacey	Pearson	Bradley	Potts	Rea
OCTOBER													
Tue 2	7.45pm	A	Oxford United	W 2-1	6,769	1,171	10	Shea	Stacey	Pearson	Bradley	Potts 1	Rea ●
Sat 6	3.00pm	H	Scunthorpe United	W 3-2	8,682	432	8	Shea	Stacey	Pearson	Bradley	Potts ●	Rea
Tue 9	7.45pm	H	MK Dons (CT)	W 3-0	875	208	-	Isted	Justin	Rea	Sheehan 1	Senior	McCormack
Sat 13	12.00pm	A	Barnsley	L 2-3	12,688	807	10	Shea	Stacey	Pearson	Bradley	Potts	Rea ●
Sat 20	3.00pm	H	Walsall	W 2-0	8,953	504	7	Shea	Stacey	Pearson	Bradley	Potts ●	Rea 1
Tue 23	7.45pm	H	Accrington Stanley	W 4-1	8,454	64	6	Shea	Stacey	Pearson	Bradley	Justin	Rea
Sat 27	3.00pm	A	AFC Wimbledon	W 2-0	4,202	751	5	Shea	Stacey	Pearson	Bradley	Justin	Rea
NOVEMBER													
Sat 3	3.00pm	A	Rochdale	D 0-0	3,689	858	5	Shea	Stacey	Pearson	Bradley	Justin	Rea
Sat 10	3.00pm	H	Wycombe Wanderers (FACR1)	W 2-0	5,343	786	-	Shea	Stacey	Pearson	Bradley	Justin	Rea
Tue 13	7.45pm	A	Peterborough United (CT)	L 1-2	2,017	254	-	Stech	James	Pearson 1	Jones	Sheehan	McCormack
Sat 17	3.00pm	H	Plymouth Argyle	W 5-1	10,004	871	5	Shea	Stacey	Pearson	Bradley	Justin 1	Rea
Sat 24	3.00pm	A	Gillingham	W 3-1	5,671	1,282	4	Shea	Stacey	Pearson	Bradley	Justin	Rea
Tue 27	7.45pm	H	Bradford City	W 4-0	8,568	298	3	Shea	Stacey	Pearson	Bradley	Justin 1	Rea
DECEMBER													
Sun 2	2.00pm	A	Bury (FACR2)	W 1-0	2,977	549	-	Shea	Stacey	Pearson	Bradley	Justin	Rea
Wed 5	7.45pm	H	Southend United (CT2)	D 1-1*	1,545	121	-	Stech	Musonda	Jones	Potts	Senior ●	Sheehan
Sat 8	3.00pm	H	Fleetwood Town	W 2-0	8,528	81	2	Shea	Stacey	Pearson	Bradley	Justin	Rea
Sat 15	3.00pm	A	Coventry City	W 2-1	12,559	2,598	2	Shea	Stacey	Pearson 1	Bradley	Justin	Rea
Sat 22	3.00pm	H	Burton Albion	W 2-0	9,538	173	2	Shea	Stacey 1	Pearson	Bradley	Justin	Rea ●
Wed 26	3.00pm	A	Scunthorpe United	W 2-0	4,050	766	2	Shea	Stacey	Pearson	Bradley	Justin	Grant ●
Sat 29	3.00pm	A	Walsall	D 2-2	5,739	1,956	2	Shea	Stacey	Pearson	Bradley	Justin	McCormack
JANUARY													
Tue 1	3.00pm	H	Barnsley	D 0-0	9,926	845	2	Shea	Stacey	Pearson	Bradley	Justin	McCormack
Sat 5	12.30pm	A	Sheffield Wednesday (FACR3)	D 0-0	16,974	4,219	-	Shea	Stacey	Pearson	Bradley	Justin	McCormack
Sat 12	3.00pm	A	Sunderland	D 1-1	37,791	3,081	2	Shea	Stacey	Pearson	Bradley	Justin	McCormack
Tue 15	7.45pm	H	Sheffield Wednesday (FACR3R)										
Sat 19	3.00pm	H	Peterborough United										
Sat 26	3.00pm	A	Southend United										
Tue 29	7.45pm	H	Portsmouth										
FEBRUARY													
Sat 2	3.00pm	A	Shrewsbury Town										
Sat 9	3.00pm	H	Wycombe Wanderers										
Sat 16	3.00pm	A	Fleetwood Town										
Sat 23	3.00pm	H	Coventry City										
MARCH													
Sat 2	3.00pm	H	Rochdale										
Sat 9	3.00pm	A	Plymouth Argyle										
Tue 12	7.45pm	A	Bradford City										
Sat 16	3.00pm	H	Gillingham										
Sat 23	3.00pm	H	Doncaster Rovers										
Sat 30	3.00pm	A	Bristol Rovers										
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Sat 6	3.00pm	H	Blackpool										
Sat 13	3.00pm	A	Charlton Athletic										
Fri 19	3.00pm	A	Accrington Stanley										
Mon 22	3.00pm	H	AFC Wimbledon										
Sat 27	3.00pm	A	Burton Albion										
MAY													
Sat 4	5.30pm	H	Oxford United										

It won't have escaped anyone's attention in a busy last few days that the prize on offer for the winner of tonight's match is a trip to face the holders Chelsea at Stamford Bridge in the Emirates FA Cup fourth round.

Regardless of whether it's the Hatters or Sheffield Wednesday, that match will kick-off at 6pm on Sunday 27th January, due to selection for live broadcast on the BBC.

In the event of it being the Town who head to Stamford Bridge, our Sky Bet League One game against Portsmouth due to take place at Kenilworth Road on Tuesday 29th January will have to be rescheduled.

If tonight's game is still level after 90 minutes, we will have extra-time and then a penalty shoot-out to determine the winners, if required.

Wycombe v Coventry City

Blackburn v Newcastle

Luton Town v Sheffield

Stoke v Shrewsbury

Wednesday 16th January:

Southampton v Derby

*Lost 2-4 on penalties

WHO, WHEN AND WHERE THE HATTERS ARE PLAYING THIS SEASON

KEY: ● First Substitute | ● Second Substitute | ● Third Substitute | ■ Sent off | GOALSCORER

SUBS												
Mpanzu	Grant	Lee	Cornick	Collins	Shinnie	Jervis	Bradley	Stacey	Rea	Gambin	Shea	
Mpanzu	Grant	Lee	Hyton	Collins	Cornick	Ray	Jervis	Justin	Bradley	Shinnie	Shea	
Mpanzu	Gambin	Shinnie	Cornick	Jervis	Jones	Lee	Berry	Collins	Senior	Read	Stech	
Mpanzu	Potts	Lee	Hyton 1	Collins	Rea	Shinnie	Grant	Justin	Cornick	Jervis	Shea	
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Mpanzu	Grant 1	Shinnie	Hyton	Lee 1	Collins	Justin	Cornick	Jervis	Gambin	Jones	Stech	
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CHELSEA AWAY FOR TONIGHT'S WINNERS!

It won't have escaped anyone's attention in a busy last few days that the prize on offer for the winner of tonight's match is a trip to face the holders Chelsea at Stamford Bridge in the Emirates FA Cup fourth round.

Regardless of whether it's the Hatters or Sheffield Wednesday, that match will kick-off at 6pm on Sunday 27th January, due to selection for live broadcast on the BBC.

In the event of it being the Town who head to Stamford Bridge, our Sky Bet League One game against Portsmouth due to take place at Kenilworth Road on Tuesday 29th January will have to be rescheduled. If tonight's game is still level after 90 minutes, we will have extra-time and then a penalty shoot-out to determine the winners, if required.

TONIGHT'S FA CUP 3RD ROUND REPLAYS

Wycombe v Coventry City
Blackburn v Newcastle

Luton Town v Sheffield
Stoke v Shrewsbury

Wednesday 16th January:
Southampton v Derby

FA CUP FOURTH ROUND DRAW

Friday 25th January:

Arsenal v Manchester United

Saturday 26th January:

Accrington v Derby/Southampton

Brighton & HA v West Bromwich

Bristol City v Bolton Wanderers

Doncaster Rovers v Oldham Athletic

Manchester City v Burnley

Middlesbrough v Newport County

Portsmouth v QPR

Swansea City v Gillingham

Shrewsbury/Stoke v Wolves

Newcastle/Blackburn v Watford

Millwall v Everton

AFC Wimbledon v West Ham United

Sunday 27th January:

Crystal Palace v Tottenham Hotspur

Chelsea v Sheffield Wed/Luton

Monday 28th January:

Barnet v Brentford

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PETERBOROUGH UNITED

SKY BET LEAGUE ONE | 3PM | SATURDAY 19TH JANUARY

Tickets for this category A game are now on sale from the Ticket Office.



SOUTHEND UNITED

SKY BET LEAGUE ONE | 3PM | SATURDAY 26TH JANUARY

The Hatters have received a full allocation of 2,000 unreserved seats for this fixture. This fixture will be all-ticket for away supporters, whilst the date of the game is subject to change due to possible Emirates FA Cup commitments. Season ticket holders will be able to purchase two tickets per person until close of business tomorrow. Any remaining tickets will be available on Thursday 17th January online, by phone and in person. They will remain on sale until 1pm on Friday 25th January. Supporters who have taken an away season ticket will automatically receive one ticket which will be processed on Wednesday 16th January. If you are a Diamond and don't require tickets or require additional tickets please advise to ticketoffice@lutontown.co.uk before this date. Ambulant and wheelchair disabled tickets are available at the following prices. **Prices:** Adult: £22.00, Senior (60 plus): £15.00, Student (with ID): £14.00, Young Person (17-22): £14.00, Disabled and Carer: £14.00*, Junior (9-16):

£10.00, Under-8: (8 and under): £4.00, Emergency Services: £15.00. *Please note there is an Adult/ Senior concession price for disabled supporters, all other disabled supporters pay the age-related price with a carer free if required.



PORTSMOUTH

SKY BET LEAGUE ONE | 7.45PM | TUESDAY 29TH JANUARY

Tickets for this category A game are now on sale from the Ticket Office.



SHREWSBURY TOWN

SKY BET LEAGUE ONE | 3PM | SATURDAY 2ND FEBRUARY

Ticket information for this fixture will be available in due course.

HOME TICKET PRICES FOR THE 2018/19 SEASON

	CAT A	CAT B	CAT C
Adult	£26	£22	£18
Senior (65+)	£21	£17	£13
Golden senior (75+)	£18	£14	£10
Young adult (19-21)	£21	£17	£13
Youth under 19 (17-18)	£11	£12	£10
Youth under 17 (10-16)	£11	£8	£6
Junior under 10 (9 & under)	£8	£5	£3



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FORMED: 1934 | NICKNAME: THE POSH | LAST SEASON: 9TH IN LEAGUE ONE | FOLLOW THEM ON TWITTER: @THEPOSHOFFICIAL | COLOURS: BLUE | GROUND: ABAX STADIUM | MANAGER: STEVE EVANS

WHO?

A side who climbed up from League Two to the Championship in the late noughties, Posh are looking to make the step back up to the second tier this campaign, with this season marking their sixth consecutive year in League One. Well known in football for taking strikers from lower levels and selling them for big profits, two of their most well-known players in this department are former Hatters Craig Mackail-Smith and Jack Marriott, the latter of which is now bagging goals for Derby seemingly every week, after he finished last season with 33 goals to his name.

STADIUM - ABAX STADIUM

Built and opened in 1913, Peterborough moved in their formation year – 1934. With a capacity of just over 15,000, Darragh MacAnthony said during their Championship stint they would look to move to a new ground, but as a result of them not being able to maintain their second-tier status, those plans have been put on the backburner.

HAVEN'T WE MET BEFORE?

Twice already this season in fact. Both defeats at the ABAX, the first a 3-1 loss in the league, and the second a 2-1 defeat in the Checkatrade Trophy. Of our 28 meetings, Town have won nine, 12 and lost seven.

RESULTS SO FAR

After an impressive start to the season in which they topped the table for a period, Posh had dropped out of the play-off places recently and before the weekend had only won two of their last eight league and FA Cup games – one of those being an FA Cup second round replay at Bradford on penalties, after a 4-4 draw!

KNOWING ME, KNOWING YOU

As we mentioned above, Jack Marriott was a Town player, before signing for the Posh at the beginning of the 2017/18 season. After a highly successful campaign last year, he joined Frank Lampard's Derby County. Craig Mackail-Smith signed for the Town after his release from Brighton & Hove Albion in 2015, spending two seasons here. He made a name for himself in the Football League with Peterborough, where he spent four seasons, before making a big money move to the Seagulls. Then one of our most popular keepers of recent times, Mark Tyler is the goalkeeping coach at the ABAX Stadium now, having re-joined them in 2016. He spent seven years at Kenilworth Road after spending 15 with Posh, helping us out of Non-League football in 2014. Of our current squad, Alan Sheehan and George Thorne have both enjoyed loan spells at Peterborough.



HOLD THE BACK PAGE

BY SIMON 'STATTO' PITTS, IFOLLOW HATTERS COMMENTATOR

I'd already prepared and written this article prior to the news last week of Nathan Jones' departure from the club as I was going to look back at his three years in charge of Luton Town.

So a re-write was required and instead of looking back, it's a definitely a case of looking forward to the future now, starting with tonight's match under the floodlights at Kenilworth Road.

We welcome Sheffield Wednesday for this FA Cup Third Round Replay following the 0-0 draw at Hillsborough ten days ago.

This was actually the fifth consecutive meeting that the Hatters had kept a clean sheet there, including two other goalless draws and a 1-0 and 2-0 victory, all since 2003. Interestingly there had only been two clean sheets at Hillsborough in the previous 25 visits!

Victories

At Kenilworth Road Luton have lost just once against Wednesday in the last 10 meetings, however they've all been League fixtures, but tonight's match in Cup competition pits League One against Championship opposition.

Kenilworth Road has certainly seen some Cup upsets over the years, Liverpool beaten 3-0 in 1987, Newcastle and West Ham in 1994, and even the victories against Northampton in 2011, Wolves in 2013 and Portsmouth last season were against higher level opposition at the time.

There's certainly some added incentive for the two sides tonight, knowing that Chelsea at Stamford Bridge await the winners in Round Four. The last time I can remember such excitement for the outcome of a replay was in December 2010.

After then Non-League Luton had held League One Charlton to a 2-2 draw at the Valley, the winners of the Second Round replay at Kenilworth Road knew they would go on to play Tottenham Hotspur at White Hart Lane. All Hatters fans will be hoping history doesn't repeat itself tonight though as the visitors won 3-1.

It's worth noting that the last time Luton reached the Fourth Round was back in 2013, when they caused a huge upset as a Non-League team winning at Premier League Norwich City.

At the time of writing Mick Harford is the interim manager and as a self-confessed Sunderland supporter took charge of the Luton side at the Stadium of Light at the weekend.

If ever there was a time to feel particularly proud about supporting Luton Town Football Club, then Saturday was certainly the day. An amazing 3,081 travelling fans in the stands and an incredible team spirit on the pitch, resulting in a 1-1 draw courtesy of an 11th goal of the season for James Collins.

January is proving to be quite a month, already draws against promotion hopefuls Barnsley and Sunderland, tonight's FA Cup match offering the potential of visiting Chelsea in the next round, a new manager to employ, some key League One fixtures, and of course there are two planning applications that just need approval by the Council...it's certainly never dull following Luton Town Football Club, is it?!

Enjoy the match #COYH



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TEAMS



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- 1 Marek STECH
- 2 James JUSTIN
- 3 Dan POTTS
- 4 Alan McCORMACK
- 5 Sonny BRADLEY
- 6 Matty PEARSON
- 7 Jack STACEY
- 8 Luke BERRY
- 9 Danny HYLTON
- 10 Elliot LEE
- 11 Andrew SHINNIE
- 14 Harry CORNICK
- 16 Glen REA
- 17 Pelly-Ruddock MPANZU
- 19 James COLLINS
- 21 Jack SENIOR
- 24 George THORNE
- 25 Kazenga LUALUA
- 27 Aaron JARVIS
- 28 Lloyd JONES
- 34 Jack JAMES
- 35 Arthur READ
- 36 James SHEA
- 40 Harry ISTED
- 44 Alan SHEEHAN

Manager: STEVE AGNEW

- 1 Keiren WESTWOOD
- 2 Liam PALMER
- 3 David JONES
- 4 Joost VAN AKEN
- 5 Kieran LEE
- 6 Morgan FOX
- 7 Josh ONOMAH
- 8 Joey PELUPESSY
- 9 Steven FLETCHER
- 10 Barry BANNAN
- 11 Sam WINNALL
- 12 Jordan THORNILEY
- 14 Gary HOOOPER
- 15 Tom LEES
- 17 Atthe NUHIU
- 18 Lucas JOAO
- 19 Marco MATIAS
- 20 Adam REACH
- 21 George BOYD
- 22 Almen ABDI
- 23 Sam HUTCHINSON
- 24 Ashley BARKER
- 25 Cameron DAWSON
- 26 Connor O'GRADY
- 28 Joe WILDSMITH
- 29 Alex HUNT
- 31 Connor KIRBY
- 33 Isaac RICE
- 34 Michael HECTOR
- 35 Frederik NIELSEN
- 36 Daniel PUDIL
- 37 Fraser PRESTON
- 41 Jack LEE
- 42 Matt PENNEY
- 43 Liam SHAW
- 44 Jack STOBBS
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(SKY BET LEAGUE ONE)

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