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# THE MANAGER

**MICK HARFORD**

**Welcome back to Kenilworth Road for this afternoon's Sky Bet League One match against Blackpool, as we look to carry on our terrific run of form.**

This game will be as tough as any we will, or indeed have, encountered here this season. I have a lot of respect for the job Terry McPhillips has done in very trying circumstances at Bloomfield Road, and we know we are coming up against a dangerous outfit.

I'm really pleased for everyone up there that things are moving forward so positively off the pitch and it's great to see the crowds flooding back to a famous old ground. I hope you all enjoy your visit to another one of those this afternoon and have a safe trip back north tonight.

Before I move on to last week's game at Bristol Rovers, I would like to congratulate the lads in the Luton Town PAN disability team on winning the regional knockout event at Kempston Rovers. They are now through to the national finals of the FA People's Cup at St George's Park, which will be a special day for them. You're doing the club proud boys, so keep up the great work.

The first team are also doing the club proud, and never more so than tomorrow night when four of them go to the EFL Awards in London, supported by football staff and club officials.

We could – and in my opinion, should – have had more than the three in the League One Team of the Year, but well done to JJ, Collo and Jack on that achievement. I know they'll be the first to thank the rest of the lads who didn't make it for the part that they've played over the season, and of course we wish JJ, Collo and Pelly all the best in the individual awards they are in the running for.

Congratulations also to the latter pair for the landmarks they reached last week, with the 150th goal of his career for James and Pelly's 200th appearance for the club.

We had to dig in during the second half of last week's win at the Memorial Stadium, because Graham Coughlan has got Rovers playing well and they put us under some pressure after a terrific first half. But that's what good sides do. They grind out wins. It can't all be free-flowing like it was in that magnificent performance against Doncaster here last time out, but this team are a pleasure to work with because they are so professional in everything they do.

They have a great staff behind them, not to mention the support of the players who aren't involved for one reason or another – and that was never more evident than last Saturday when Glen Rea and Jack James made their own way to Bristol to sit with the fans behind the goal. It sums up the spirit that runs right through this wonderful club at the minute.

I know some of you supporters had a horrible journey down there and many missed the kick-off. I'm glad to hear that John Pyper managed to get in eventually, even though I'd been told before the game he wasn't there. The banner was perfect, John!

Keep that fantastic support going to help these boys over the line. You really do make a difference to us all, so please create another electric atmosphere today and enjoy the game. COYH!

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[GARY SWEET]



# FROM THE BOARDROOM

WITH CHIEF EXECUTIVE GARY SWEET

**Welcome to our penultimate Saturday fixture, in a season that has gone more quickly than any I can remember.**

We give a warm welcome to Terry McPhillips and his Blackpool side who are sitting just outside of the play-offs going into the final six games of the season. We know there are still lots of points to be won and lost and wish them the very best of luck in their pursuit, after today of course!

We go into today's game off the back of a fantastic away win against an in-form Bristol Rovers which saw two individual milestones reached. Firstly, Pelly-Ruddock Mpanzu made his 200th appearance in Luton colours, which is a fantastic achievement. Pelly joined us way back in January 2014 when we were in the Conference, initially as a central defender. He later converted to our midfield general and has barely missed a game since, scoring some fantastic goals along the way, one of which has been nominated for EFL Goal of the Season; more on that later!

The other milestone was from James Collins, scoring his 150th career goal. James has consistently scored throughout his career but 41 in 88 appearances for Luton Town is an exceptional return. His fine form resulted in him missing our previous home game against Doncaster after being called into the Republic of Ireland squad. Although he didn't manage to get on the pitch, the experience he gained will be invaluable and we hope it is only a matter of 'when' not 'if' he wins his first full international cap.

Since my previous boardroom notes, we have secured positive planning determinations on Power Court and Newlands Park. The two monumental days will live long in the memory of many and rightly so! We now start the lengthy work of turning many

'heads of terms' into full-form contracts whilst also hoping the Secretary of State rubber stamps the Council's decision and lets us start on the next phase of design which will make the dream of a new home a reality. Needless to say, patience will be rewarded eventually.

For all our season ticket holders, you will have no doubt seen that we have released our prices for the 2019/20 season. Regardless of the division we're going to be in, season ticket revenue is a large part of the overall annual budget, so to show some gratitude towards our long-standing season ticket holders, we have decided to introduce a loyalty scheme. This was something we planned to do when we moved to Power Court but thought going into our 135th year and potentially competing in The Championship, it would be right and proper to offer the loyalty scheme from next season.

We do appreciate the continued support and we will need to stand together for the challenges ahead. Back in 2014 the mountain we climbed by getting out of the Conference seemed high but once in League 2 it only seemed like Ben Nevis compared to the new mountain we had to traverse.

Now we're on the summit of the Championship with the peak of Mont Blanc in sight! Hopefully, we'll be targeting a Mount Everest climb at some point in the future! Staying in The Championship before our move to Power Court will be the toughest challenge of all. Budgets, attendances, squad values are some of the widest in any league I can think of. We've reached this current peak through team work from striker to supporter and we're going to need you all – players, staff, directors and supporters





Season ticket holders Nicky and Jordan join up with chef at the training ground, Maggie, and Hatters players to promote today's Kick It Out match

– to unite even more as we meet next season's challenges head on.

This season marks the 25th anniversary of Kick It Out and today's game has been dedicated to the fantastic charity as football comes together for their week of action with the #NoRoomForRacism campaign. Throughout the previous 25 years, Kick It Out has been at the heart of the drive towards equality, inclusion and cohesion for everyone who plays, watches or works in football. They are involved in fantastic work fighting all forms of discrimination in the game and we have and will continue to give our full support in relaying the message to our friends, family and of course, fans! As part of the campaign you will see Sudanese asylum seekers flag-waving and being ball boys. They take part in Luton Street League, which is a great programme, run by our own Luton Town Community Trust.

Four of our players will be attending the EFL awards in London tomorrow evening. We have three players nominated in League One Team of the Year. Jack Stacey who has made the team for the second year running alongside James Justin, who has also been nominated for EFL Young Player of the Year, and James Collins who is one of three finalists for

EFL Player of the Year. It's a fantastic, well-earned achievement for the players, especially as it has been voted by opposition managers in League One. It must have been a close call for a fair few more of the squad not to be included! We are looking to retain our Goal of the Year award with Pelly's rocket against Crewe last season, which will be voted for on the night. We wish Pelly, James Collins and James Justin the best of luck!

Back to today's game, and please make yourselves heard as we look to extend the unbeaten record and create yet more club history. It is now well over a year since we have suffered a defeat here at Kenilworth Road and that is in no small part down to the role played by our fantastic, passionate support.

You have been fantastic on the road too, another 1,145 making yourselves heard at the Memorial Stadium last week. Keep it going for six more games and let's see where it takes us!

Come On You Hatters!

*Gary*



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# THE SKIPPER

**Alan Sheehan**

**This afternoon's match against Blackpool gives us an opportunity to set another new club record as part of the unbeaten league run we're currently on, and it's one we're looking forward to.**

I saw the stat the other day that we've kept 16 clean sheets and conceded only 14 goals in that run, and as a defender, that's understandably something I'll always look at first.

We've had a settled back five for most of the run, and everyone who has played there – Sheasy, Stace, Matty, Sonny, JJ and Pottsy – has been brilliant. And whether it's been Glen or Macca in the midfield holding role, or Pelly in recent games, everyone's been at the top of their game.

We are known throughout the league as a free-scoring, free-playing football team, but if you look at our record and how good the displays have been defensively, it's been so important to where we are in the league right now.

Congratulations to Pelly on making his 200th appearance for the club down at Bristol Rovers, in a strange game. It was an excellent first half display where we could have been going in at the break three or four up, and then on the stroke of half-time they score, so it just changes the dynamics of the game.

To come out in hot weather and against a team that are fighting for their lives, and go on and put on such a professional second half display to see the game out, I think was testament to the boys out there and everyone involved.

The goalscorers deserve a mention. Collo has been brilliant this season, and to score 150 goals in his career is some achievement. He's a player who has gone under the radar for a number of years. He's got four promotions under his belt and wherever he goes at whatever level, he steps up and scores goals.

I can't believe it's a year ago already since Bez suffered that terrible injury at Colchester. It's one of those bad memories that you never get out of your head, seeing your team-mate in agony with a horrendous leg break.

## Recognition

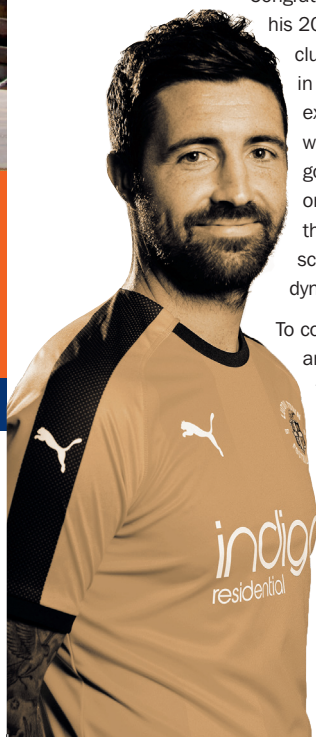
But anyone who knows Bez and sees what type of warrior he is on the pitch, you just knew he was going to come back flying and having a say in our season. It was great timing that he scored the winning goal on the year anniversary. I'm so pleased for him.

Finally, it's fantastic for the boys to be going to the EFL Awards tomorrow night with Stace, JJ and Collo in the team of the year, and Pelly up for goal of the year. The club is getting a lot of recognition at the moment for all its good work on and off the field, and it's great to see.

I'm sure you'll join me in wishing them all good luck – and please continue the brilliant support you show us all. The last two Saturdays have provided more magical memories for the season, and today is another chance to make history, so make the place rock and enjoy the game.



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## FOUR HATTERS AT EFL AWARDS

For the second year in a row, the Hatters head mob-handed to the EFL Awards at London's Grosvenor House Hotel tomorrow night with three players in the League One Team of the Season and two of them – plus Pelly-Ruddock Mpanzu – up for individual awards.

Striker James Collins has been nominated for the League One Player of the Year, as well as being named in the Division's Team of the Season alongside Hatters defenders Jack Stacey and James Justin – who is shortlisted for EFL Young Player of the Season, along with former Hatters youngster Max Aarons, now of Norwich City, and Derby County's on-loan Liverpool midfielder Harry Wilson.

Collins' rich vein of form this campaign has been rewarded with a call-up to the Republic of Ireland international squad, and last Saturday he netted his 21st goal of the season and 150th of his career.

The 28-year-old faces competition for the main award from Doncaster striker John Marquis and



Sunderland winger Aiden McGeady. Those two players also take their place in the team of the season, along with Town right-back Stacey – who is selected by managers of the 23 other clubs in the division for the second year in a row.

Mpanzu's wonderful strike against Crewe Alexandra last season was shortlisted for the EFL Goal of the 2018, with public voting in recent weeks narrowing the competition down to a final five and the winner decided by those in the room on the night.

Well done to all four Hatters and good luck for tomorrow night!

### HAPPY BIRTHDAY, LIAM!



Happy birthday to Liam Blake, who turns 11 years-old tomorrow. Liam is from Milton Keynes but has always a Luton fan – which we love to hear! He loves to sit in Kenilworth Road Lower so he's as close to the pitch as possible, and he is pictured here with his favourite player Luke Berry. Have a great day, Liam!

### MUM'S THE WORD!

Ifollow Hatters subscribers were impressed with the co-commentary delivered by Jill Taylor at Bristol Rovers last Saturday. Jill won our social media competition for a Hatters mum to give her analysis of the game with Simon Pitts and Darren Salton ahead of Mother's Day. Well done Jill, you were brilliant!

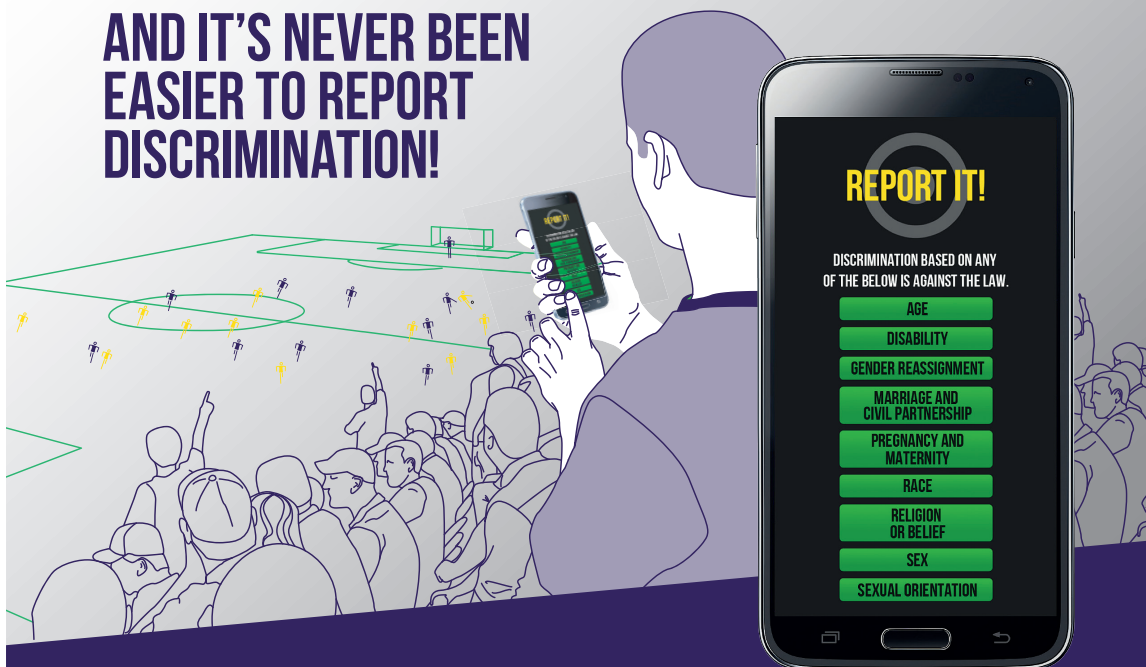


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# KICK IT OUT'S 25-YEAR ANNIVERSARY

**This season marks the 25-year anniversary of Kick It Out, and today Luton Town FC dedicate our fixture against Blackpool to their work.**

For the last 25 years, the organisation has been at the heart of the drive towards equality, inclusion and cohesion for everyone who plays, watches or works in football. But the high-profile incidents that have marred football this season prove the sport needs an organisation like Kick It Out now more than ever.

Having started as 'Let's Kick Racism Out of Football' in 1993, Kick It Out has evolved into an organisation which – working alongside its partners The FA, the Premier League, the English Football League, The Professional Footballers' Association, the League Managers Association and the Football Supporters' Federation, among others – fights ALL forms of discrimination in the game we love.

Since its inception, Kick It Out has provided a clear, independent voice within the game to challenge discrimination and exclusion, as well as education for professional players, clubs, fans, grassroots organisations and beyond. The organisation also provides mentoring and guidance to help underrepresented groups participate in football and secure opportunities to develop a career in the game.

Kick It Out has established an equality framework for professional clubs, supporting the development of equality practices and policies, and enabled more effective reporting and investigating of complaints of discriminatory abuse through its pioneering reporting app.

However, despite 25 years of progress, hatred, prejudice, abuse and discrimination are still evident in our society and in football.



In the 2018/19 season and beyond, we want everyone involved in football to continue to campaign for equality and challenge discrimination, while playing a part in shaping a fair and inclusive future for everyone who loves the game.

But don't forget to recognise how far we've come. Let's kick racism and discrimination out of football – together.

You can report discrimination to Kick It Out via their app, via email on [report@kickitout.org](mailto:report@kickitout.org), via their online reporting form on their website, or via freephone on **0800 169 9414**.

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# AARON ARRIVES!

**Loan striker Aaron Connolly has joined up with the Town squad after completing his recovery from a hamstring injury with parent club Brighton & Hove Albion.**

The 19-year-old agreed to move until the end of the season on deadline day of the January transfer window – the same day he signed a new three-and-a-half year contract with the Premier League Seagulls.

Connolly had suffered the injury in an Under-23 fixture at Liverpool three weeks previously, and it was agreed that he would not move north until he had played in a match on the south coast.

That return to action came last Friday, with the Republic of Ireland Under-19 team-mate of Hatter Jack James bagging his 18th goal of the season in a friendly win over Vancouver Whitecaps.

“It was good getting the deal done back in January, but obviously I couldn’t join until I got back from injury, which was very frustrating, but it’s good to be here and I’m ready to go,” said Connolly ahead of his first training session on Tuesday morning.

“It’s been two or three months since I did my hamstring, so I had to get that right down at Brighton and get some minutes under my belt.

“I managed to get a goal, which is always nice, but that game was just about getting fitness back to be ready to come up here.

“It’s a dream scenario to come into a promotion chasing squad, and hopefully play any part I can to keep that push going.

“Mick has said just to help as much as I can and see what happens in the next month or so.”

Despite his tender age, Connolly already has promotion-winning experience on his CV with Albion’s Under-23 side, who are currently second in the Premier League 2 Division One table, behind Everton but well above the likes of Liverpool, Chelsea, Arsenal, Manchester City and Tottenham.

He said: “We are second in the table, and probably got a good chance of winning it having got promoted last year from Division Two, so hopefully I can have another good experience like that here – especially in front of fans, which will make it even better.”

One of Connolly’s goals this season came against the Hatters in the Checktrade Trophy Southern Group H game at Kenilworth Road in early September, and the teenager had been named PL2 player of the month for both November and December before injury struck soon into the New Year.

“I’ve got a few goals, but then the injury stopped it,” said Connolly, who will wear squad number 18.

“It’s all about getting back on track and hopefully scoring goals again, so hopefully I can do that here and keep that promotion push going.”

Welcome to Kenilworth Road, Aaron!

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# ALEX BAPTISTE'S ALL-TIME XI

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**On loan defender Alex Baptiste names a decent XI, having spent the majority of his career playing in the top two tiers of English football!**



**Matt Gilks**



**Played with at: Blackpool**

I played with him for five years and he was different class. A good guy around the dressing room. We would have stayed in the Premier League were it not for him getting injured.



**Seamus Coleman**



**Played with at: Blackpool**

He basically got us promoted from right-back. He was that good. He came on loan for half a season and created something like 12 goals. In the play-off semis and the final he got three assists. Unbelievable.



**Jonathan Woodgate**



**Played with at: Middlesbrough**

If you sign for Real Madrid, then you are special. He would have been one of the best were it not for all of his injuries. He's the best defender I have ever seen. I was a massive Newcastle fan and he was my hero growing up.



**Ben Gibson**



**Played with at: Middlesbrough**

Because he's left footed, I will go with him over Craig Cathcart. A great lad, a great player. A really good defender.



**Stephen Crainey**



**Played with at: Blackpool**

The best trainer and the hardest working guy I have ever met. He was a great talent and was class for Blackpool.



**Barry Ferguson**



**Played with at: Blackpool**

Unbelievable leader. His résumé speaks for itself. He was the best captain I have ever played for.



**Charlie Adam**



**Played with at: Blackpool**

This one speaks for itself. He's got a wand of a left foot, box-to-box and he scores goals, important goals. A top guy.



**Mark Davies**



**Played with at: Bolton Wanderers**

If he didn't have the injuries that he had, he would have been a top six player. He was that good. They had Jack Wilshere the year before I was there and he was better than Jack Wilshere. Him and Adama are the most talented I have ever seen.



**Gary Taylor-Fletcher**



**Played with at: Blackpool**

He's so underrated, his ability – he doesn't look physically the best – but he was an unbelievable player. He got promoted to the Premier League twice.



**Adama Traore**



**Played with at: Middlesbrough**

He's the only player I have played or trained against, apart from Nani, that you can't do your usual things against. If you get tight he's too strong, and if you don't get tight he will do you for pace. You need help to mark him. Two or three players. He can't be that far off Messi in terms of on the ball, he can't be.



**Josh King**



**Played with at: Blackburn Rovers**

He was young and coming through, but his talent was there. Rapid and strong.

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## TODAY'S MASCOTS



**AGE 13**  
**DAVID DOWLING**

**School:** Stopsley High School  
**Hobbies:** Football  
**Favourite Player:** Harry Cornick



**AGE 13**  
**HARRY BARDELL**

**School:** Malling School  
**Hobbies:** Football, Xbox  
**Favourite Player:** James Collins



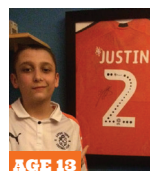
**AGE 2**  
**SALLY BROOKES**

**Hobbies:** Reading, singing, swimming, feeding the ducks  
**Favourite Player:** Alan Sheehan



**AGE 11**  
**JAYDEN GREENE**

**School:** Barton Arnold Academy  
**Hobbies:** Football, Xbox, running  
**Favourite Player:** All of them



**AGE 13**  
**BENJAMIN PRATT**

**School:** Queensbury Academy  
**Hobbies:** Playing football  
**Favourite Player:** James Justin

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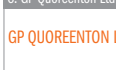
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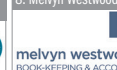
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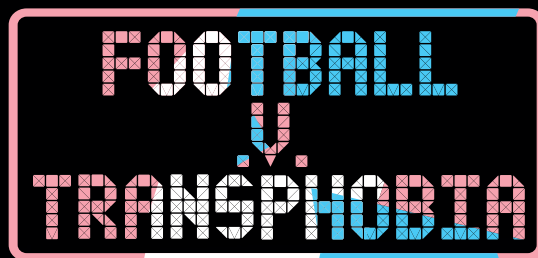
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[OUR VISITORS]

# WELCOME BLACKPOOL



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

The buzz is back at Bloomfield Road. After a number of sticky years, the club finally looks as if it's seeing the light at the end of the tunnel.

Whilst we won't comment too much on the happenings at Blackpool, everyone at Kenilworth Road is pleased to see the Tangerines in a far better place off the field.

Supporters have started heading back in their masses to cheer on Terry McPhillips' side, who won promotion to League One after a slide down the Football League. Winning the Championship play-off is an achievement that few will forget seeing Blackpool do and although they only lasted a season in the top flight, it took a final day defeat to Manchester United to see them drop down a level.

Current Hatters defender Alex Baptiste was a part of that side, and continued to play for them for a number of years in the Championship.

The club's fall to League Two was dramatic, but their climb out of it at the first attempt under Gary Bowyer was impressive, although it isn't talked about too much in these parts. Bowyer oversaw a

midtable finish last year, before stepping down early on this campaign. Terry McPhillips took over and has done a sterling job.

The Tangerines still have the play-offs in their sights, although a blip over Christmas may well have cost them in finishing in the top six. That said, it only highlights the hard work that everyone behind the scenes has put in, given their struggles.

They have been equally good at Bloomfield Road as they have been on their travels this campaign, only picking up a point more at home than on the road. Against the teams above them they have done remarkably well on other teams' turf – drawing three, winning one and losing just once in the five games they have played.

Going in to today's game though, they are still to play Barnsley and Peterborough, so in order to finish in the top six, they are going to need to get points against these teams.

Defensively they started 2019 well, keeping four clean sheets in their first six games, but they've since struggled, not keeping one in their last eight.

## FACTFILE:

NICKNAME: THE TANGERINES  
GROUND: BLOOMFIELD ROAD  
MANAGER: TERRY McPHILLIPS  
LAST SEASON: 12TH IN LEAGUE ONE

## HEAD-TO-HEAD

LUTON WINS: 23 | DRAWS: 14 | BLACKPOOL WINS: 17  
LAST MEETING: BLACKPOOL 0-0 LUTON - SEPTEMBER 2018





# MEET THE SQUAD

## THE GAFFER

### Terry McPhillips | Age: 50

Following the departure of Gary Bowyer at the beginning of the season, Terry McPhillips was given the manager's job on an interim basis. An eight-match unbeaten run swayed the board into offering him the role permanently and since then, he has guided Blackpool to within touching distance of the play-offs. Despite graduating through Liverpool's academy, McPhillips signed his first deal with Halifax Town, spending three seasons with the club. The gaffer's playing career ended with Welsh outfit Caernarfon Town in 1997. In 2013 the ex-striker became assistant-manager of Blackburn Rovers, then took up the same job with Blackpool in 2016, where he has remained ever since.

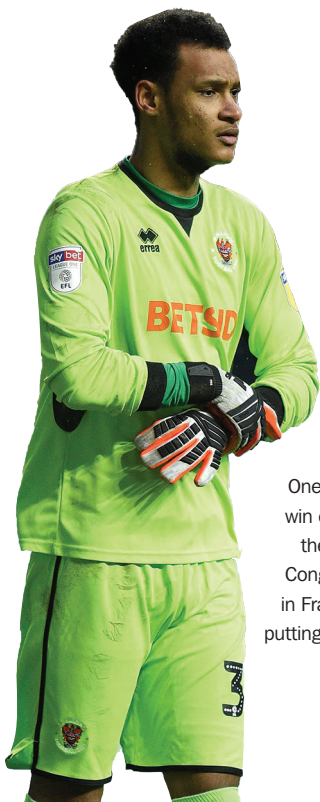


## THE STOPPER

### Christoffer Mafoumbi Age: 25

It's been a relatively quiet season for Mafoumbi, making just a handful of appearances in the league and cup competitions. When Mark Howard, the regular number one, picked up an Achilles injury at the beginning of March, the 25-year-old earned his first start in just under two months, looking to make more of an impression on the squad.

Before Howard's injury, Mafoumbi had only played six times in League One this season, including the Tangerines' win over Portsmouth at Fratton Park where the shot stopper kept a clean sheet. The Congo international has played his football in France, Bulgaria and South Africa before putting pen to paper in 2017 with Blackpool, his first English club.



## GOALKEEPER

### MYLES BONEY AGE: 21

Thrust into the squad when Howard got injured at the beginning of March. Completed the match against Burton that day and has remained part of the matchday squad since.



## DID YOU KNOW?

In 1953 Blackpool had four players represent England in an international game – look away now if you're guessing – as Stanley Matthews (pictured, left), Ernie Taylor, Harry Johnston and Stan Mortensen (pictured, right) all took to the field in a Three Lions shirt. However, only Matthews would get a call-up again, as the four featured in a 6-3 defeat to Hungary – a game that would go on to be known as the Match of the Century. That was England's second ever defeat on home soil.

## [MEET THE SQUAD]

### THE WALL

#### Curtis Tilt

Age: 27

Tilt signed for the Seasiders at the beginning of last season from Wrexham and has proved to be an important addition. Having spent his entire career on the non-league circuit, Blackpool offered the centre half a chance in League One, bolstering their defensive options. In his first full season in orange, Tilt picked up three awards at the club's end of season awards. These accolades were: Blackpool Gazette Player of the Season, Blackpool Supporters' Association Player of the Season and Radio Wave Player of the Season. The defender has also scored four times this campaign, one of which came in the 90th minute against Plymouth last week to snatch a draw at the death.



### IN THE MIDDLE

#### Jay Spearing | Age: 30

The highly experienced midfielder began his career with Liverpool, captaining the U18s team to FA Youth Cup victory in 2007. Having been born in Merseyside, Spearing was living the dream, eventually progressing into the first team to play alongside some world class players including Steven Gerrard, Xavi Alonso and Luis Suarez. When the 30-year-old fell down the pecking order after the arrival of Jordan Henderson at Liverpool, Spearing spent the season on-loan with Bolton in 2012-13, a deal made permeant the

following year. He would go on to play more than 100 times for Wanderers until the Tangerines claimed his signature in 2017.



### DEFENDERS

#### NICHOLAS

#### WILMER-ANDERTON

AGE: 23

Spent half of this campaign on loan at Accrington Stanley. Already played once at Kenilworth Road this season when the Hatters ran out 4-1 winners over Stanley.

#### BEN HENEGHAN

AGE: 25

Currently on loan from Sheffield United. Played for Everton and Stoke City as a youth player. Turned out for Motherwell in the SPL in 2016-17.

#### MICHAEL NOTTINGHAM

AGE: 29

The full-back signed an initial two-year deal from Salford City at the beginning of the campaign. Helped his former club win promotion from the National League North last season.

#### OLIVER TURTON

AGE: 26

A key figure at Crewe Alexandra, spending seven seasons with the Railwaymen. A League Two Play-Off winner in 2011-12 as well as a Football League Trophy winner in 2013.

#### MARC BOLA

AGE: 21

Released from Arsenal and snapped up by the Seasiders in July last year. Also spent time on loan at Bristol Rovers, gaining some good EFL experience.

#### DONERVON DANIELS

AGE: 25

In his second stint as a Blackpool player, the first coming at the beginning of the 2014-15 season. Played for a host of EFL clubs including Tranmere Rovers, Wigan Athletic and Rochdale.

**MIDFIELDERS****ANTONY EVANS**  
**AGE: 20**

Joined the Seasiders in January on loan from Everton. Since he put pen to paper, he's made a good impact in the middle of the pitch, making eight appearances.

**HARRY PRITCHARD**  
**AGE: 25**

Left Maidenhead United after a six-year affiliation with more than 200 appearances to play his football at Bloomfield Road. This is his first ever season in the EFL.

**MATTY VIRTUE**  
**AGE: 21**

On loan from Liverpool until the end of the season. Played against the Hatters on that memorable promotion day at Meadow Lane last season while at Notts County.

**NYA KIRBY**  
**AGE: 19**

The young midfielder is currently on loan from Crystal Palace. The talented youngster used to be on Tottenham's books and has also played for England's youth teams set up.

**LIAM FEENEY**  
**AGE: 32**

The Londoner has played for a stack of clubs in the EFL including Millwall, Bolton Wanderers and AFC Bournemouth. Helped Cardiff City to the Premier League last season while on-loan from Blackburn Rovers.

**CALLUM GUY**  
**AGE: 22**

A successful start to the season while on-loan at Blackpool from Derby meant the club brought him in permanently in January. Guy has made 13 starts this season.

**STRIKERS****NATHAN DELFOUNESO**  
**AGE: 28**

On six goals so far, looking to beat last season's tally of nine. Finished last term incredibly well, scoring five in five, including a hat-trick against Bradford City.

**CHRIS LONG**  
**AGE: 24**

Began the season with Fleetwood Town but signed for the Seasiders in the January window. Capped for England U16s right through to U20s.

**WATCH OUT****Armand Gnanduillet | Age: 27**

The French forward has already played for the Tangerines before, signing at the beginning of the 2016-17 season. He scored a crucial header for his side at Kenilworth Road in the League Two Play-Off semi-final, swaying the tie in the Tangerines' favour. The striker has represented the Ivory Coast U20 national team on one occasion, being linked to the country through his parents. The 27-year-old started his playing career in France and eventually came into the English game with Chesterfield in 2013, before moving onto the likes of Tranmere Rovers, Oxford United and Stevenage. A small stint in South Africa with Baroka followed until the goal scorer re-joined Blackpool last year.

**IN NUMBERS...**

<b>Stadium capacity:</b>	<b>15,226</b>
<b>Miles from Kenilworth Road:</b>	<b>211</b>
<b>Year opened:</b>	<b>1899</b>
<b>Average crowd this season:</b>	<b>4,906</b>
<b>Seasons in League One:</b>	<b>2</b>



[ROGER WASH]

# CLASSIC CLASH WITH THE SEASIDERS

CLUB HISTORIAN ROGER WASH DELVES INTO HIS ARCHIVES...

**29TH SEPTEMBER 1973 • LUTON TOWN 3 BLACKPOOL 0**

**The Hatters, so full of confidence as they travelled to Nottingham Forest on the opening day of the 1973/74 Division Two (now Championship) season, were brought down to earth with a big bump as they were well and truly thrashed 4-0 by a rampant home side.**

It was back to the drawing board for manager Harry Haslam but, after a great deal of soul searching, he made only one change for the next game, at Kenilworth Road against Carlisle. Young Tom Finney, a close season buy from Northern Ireland side Crusaders, was handed his full debut and turned out to be a revelation.

Aided by the man with a famous name, who scored twice, the Town ripped Carlisle apart and came off at the interval to a standing ovation leading 6-0. Although the players were unable to maintain their first half brilliance, finally finishing 6-1 victors, the season had now well and truly started.

Finney was on target again as the Hatters followed up their demolition of Carlisle with a 3-1 win at Bristol City, scored the Luton goal in a 1-1 draw at newly-promoted Notts County and made it five goals from four starts when netting in a crazy, but highly entertaining, 3-3 home draw with Portsmouth.

The next test came at the home of FA Cup holders Sunderland. The Hatters did not need reminding that they had failed to perform in a quarter-final tie at Roker Park only a few months before, leaving the way open for the Wearsiders to upset all the odds and beat mighty Leeds at Wembley.

A crowd of 27,334 turned up at Roker Park to see the Town put in a far more committed performance this time around and a single effort from Barry Butlin was enough to seal both points.

After their disastrous start the Town were now up to seventh position and looked forward to welcoming

Blackpool to a Kenilworth Road bathed in late autumn sunshine. The Seasiders were unbeaten at home at that stage in the campaign but had yet to win on their travels.

In a manner reminiscent of their early season battering of Carlisle, the Town set about Blackpool from the start and it was no surprise when Butlin slammed the ball into the net after 13 minutes to open the scoring.

Swift inter-passing between full-back Don Shanks and Finney was finished with a clever backheel flick from winger John Aston, which made the scoring space for Butlin.

'Bullet' Butlin needed no help from his team-mates for goal number two which came only ten minutes after his first.

Collecting the ball in midfield he beat the challenge of Blackpool defender Peter Suddaby before unleashing a tremendous drive from 25 yards which streaked into the net.

From then on it was carnival football time from the Hatters and only an eccentric performance from referee Iorwerth Jones prevented a goal avalanche.

John Ryan and Aston both had goals disallowed for offences that only the official spotted, and two confident penalty appeals were turned down much to the surprise of everyone in the ground.

Peter Anderson hit the woodwork and both Ryan and Aston had efforts cleared off the line before goal number three killed the game shortly after the



Barry Butlin rises highest to the ball against the Blackpool defence

interval. Butlin flicked on a corner from Jim Ryan, leaving Anderson to score from close range.

Blackpool were almost non-existent in attack with Luton centre-half John Faulkner effectively shackling ex-Wales and Newcastle forward Wyn Davies who had been a close season target of the Hatters.

The referee caused another rumpus by refusing to allow the trainer on to attend to the injured Jim Ryan, and Anderson was booked for complaining. A little later, Blackpool defender Bill Bentley went down after a collision with Finney and again the official refused to let the trainer on.

Unfortunately, Bentley was found to be suffering from severe concussion and had to be rushed to hospital leaving the Seasiders down to ten men for the final 15 minutes as they had already used their substitute. The press had a field day over the referee's failure to stop play, leaving the official needing to make a public apology to Bentley and all at Bloomfield Road.



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Luton manager Harry Haslam was naturally delighted with his charges, and the fact that the run had pushed the Town up to second position, but was bothered that 'only' 10,365 had bothered to turn up at Kenilworth Road.

"If we keep winning and scoring goals the supporters must surely come back," said Haslam, believing that a team hitting the net 14 times in their previous five games was certainly deserving of bigger crowds.

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Scott Cuthbert heads home the Town's second goal just before the interval

# THE LAST TIME BLACKPOOL CAME TO TOWN

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

**18TH MAY 2017 • LUTON TOWN 3 BLACKPOOL 3**  
**LEAGUE TWO PLAY-OFF SEMI-FINAL SECOND LEG**

The Town entered the play-offs in good spirit, having not lost since 25th March. A late run to try to muscle in to one of the top three spots had ended on the back of too many draws over the whole campaign.

As such the Hatters had to settle for fourth place and the dreaded play-offs, where their opponents would be Blackpool, who we had beaten twice in league fixtures that campaign.

Despite the first leg taking place on a Sunday evening for television, 1,648 Hatters fans travelled to Bloomfield Road and although 2-1 ahead at the interval the Town were subject to some dubious refereeing decisions, ending up going down 3-2 with Mark Cullen, up against his old team-mates, netting a hat-trick.

The second leg was played out in front of a full house at Kenilworth Road amidst an atmosphere that has been rarely bettered. In a breathtaking game, Blackpool took the lead through Nathan Delfouneso, but by half-time an own goal and a first

at Kenilworth Road for Scott Cuthbert had brought the overall scores level.

Several missed opportunities by the Town early in the second half were followed by the breakthrough we deserved when Danny Hylton converted a penalty after being clipped in the area.

The Town were now ahead on aggregate, but Armand Gnanouillet netted with 15 minutes remaining to level the tie once more.

Disaster then struck with the clock registering 94 minutes and only seconds left to play, when a catalogue of errors in the Luton penalty box saw a goal-line clearance from Jordan Cook hit the back of goalkeeper Stuart Moore and trickle over the line.

**Luton Town:** Moore, Justin, Cuthbert, Sheehan, Lee (Cook), Rea, D'Ath, Mpanzu, Potts, Vassell, Hylton.

**Blackpool:** Slocombe, Aimson, Aldred, Robertson, Mellor, Dadds, Payne (Black), Potts, Taylor (Samuel), Cullen, Delfouneso (Gnanouillet).

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[ROGER WASH]

# COVERED!

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



## January 1937

The Town, second in Division Three, take on Blackpool the table toppers in Division Two in the FA Cup. Two goals from Joe Payne in a breathless 3-3 draw earn a replay at Bloomfield Road which the Hatters surprisingly win 2-1 to set up a home tie with Sunderland.

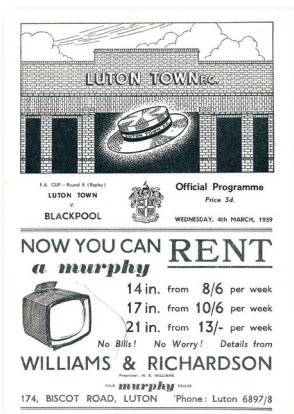
## October 1955

In their first top flight season the Hatters take on League leaders Blackpool at Kenilworth Road. A scintillating performance ends in a 3-1 victory for the Town in front of a crowd of 24,493.



## March 1959

A record crowd of 30,069 fills Kenilworth Road to see an FA Cup quarter-final replay against Blackpool. A solitary goal from ex-Seasider Allan Brown secures a win to take the Town through to the semi-finals for the first time.



## November 1971

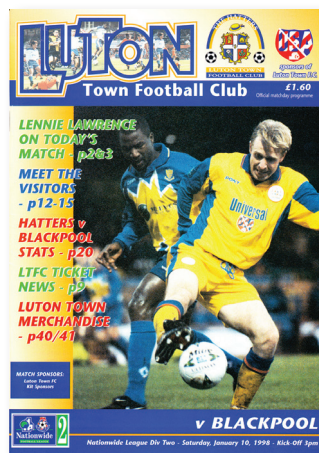
The players arrive late due to a rail derailment, the game is played in a blizzard but a single goal from Don Givens sees the Hatters win their first game in nine.





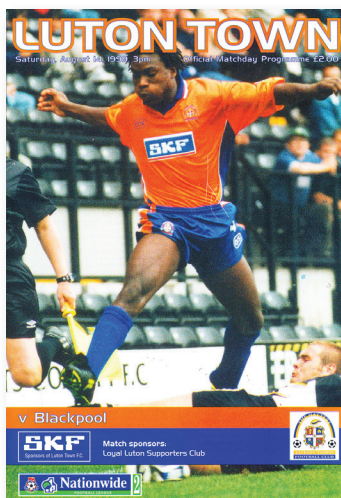
### ▲ March 1978

After a shocking display at Fulham the previous week the Town bounce back with a 4-0 victory against Blackpool at Kenilworth Road. Labelled a mid-table clash in a congested division, Blackpool pick up only five more points and are relegated on the final day.



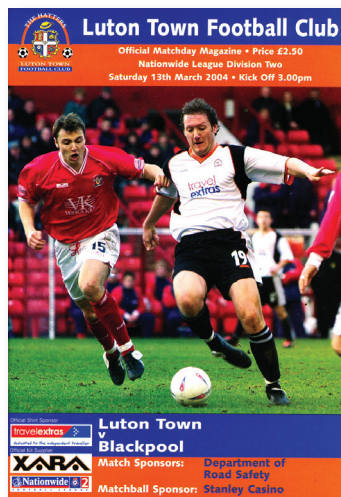
### ▲ January 1998

A hat-trick from Tony Thorpe secures a 3-0 win over Blackpool, the Town's first at home in almost three months.



### ▲ August 1999

The Hatters are 3-0 up with eight minutes to go but are left hanging on at the end due to two late goals from the Seasiders.



### ▲ March 2004

An end to end contest finishes with another 3-2 home win for the Town over Blackpool. The Hatters are now up to sixth with eyes on the play-offs.



# DEADLY DUOS

**FOOTBALL HISTORIAN LEIGH EDWARDS PROFILES FOUR NOTABLE  
POST-WAR BLACKPOOL GOALSCORING PARTNERSHIPS**

## **STAN MORTENSEN & ALLAN BROWN**

England international centre-forward Stan Mortensen scored a hat-trick in Blackpool's 1953 FA Cup final triumph. Signing professional for Blackpool in May 1938, he also played in the 1948 and 1951 FA Cup finals and was leading marksman in nine successive seasons. He was capped 25 times and netted 197 goals in 317 League games for the Seasiders prior to joining Hull City in November 1955, then played for Southport, Bath City and Lancaster. Returning to Blackpool as manager in February 1967, he signed Tony Green and Tommy Hutchison before being sacked in April 1969. He died in Blackpool in May 1991.

Scotland international inside-forward Allan Brown was a player and manager at Blackpool. He was a Scottish Cup finalist with East Fife shortly before joining Blackpool in December 1950. Unlucky to miss two FA Cup finals due to injury, he netted 68 goals in 163 League games for the Seasiders, moving to Luton Town in February 1957. He appeared in the 1959 FA Cup final and joined Portsmouth in March 1961. He helped win the Third Division title in 1961-62, then was Wigan's player-boss before managing Luton, Torquay United, Bury, Nottingham Forest, Southport and Blackpool. He died in April 2011.

## **RAY CHARNLEY & RAY PARRY**

England international centre-forward Ray Charnley was Blackpool's leading marksman on seven occasions. Initially with Bolton-le-Sands, he joined Morecambe in September 1954 and moved to Bloomfield Road for £1,000 in May 1957. He starred as Blackpool took Luton to an FA Cup sixth round replay in 1958-59 and were League Cup semi-finalists in 1961-62, netting 193 goals in 363 League games before being sold to Preston for £10,000 in December 1967. He moved to Wrexham in July 1968, then had a spell with Bradford PA and rejoined Morecambe. Later a local painter and decorator, he died in November 2009.

England international inside-left Ray Parry featured prominently as Blackpool reached the League Cup semi-finals in 1961-62. He was Bolton Wanderers' youngest League debutant at 15 years 267 days against Wolves in October 1951 and helped them finish fifth in the top-flight in 1953-54. Starring in Bolton's 1958 FA Cup final triumph, he scored on his England debut in November 1959 and moved to Blackpool in October 1960. He netted 27 goals in 128 First Division games for the Seasiders prior to joining Bury in October 1964 and was a promotion winner in 1967-68. Later a newsagent in Bolton, he died in May 2003.

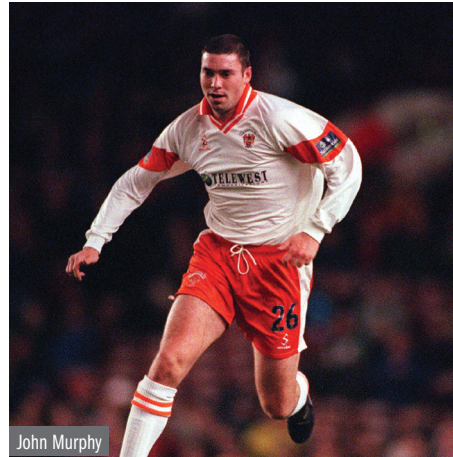


Brett Ormerod

### MICKEY WALSH & BOB HATTON

Republic of Ireland international striker Mickey Walsh was Blackpool's top scorer three times. Initially with Chorley, he joined Blackpool in November 1971 and made his League debut in the 0-0 draw at Fulham in September 1973. He scored BBC TV's 'Goal of the Season' against Sunderland in February 1975 and was ever-present in 1975-76, netting 72 times in 180 Second Division games before joining Everton for £200,000 in August 1978. Swapped for QPR's Peter Eastoe in March 1979, he moved to Porto for £175,000 in August 1980 and played in the 1984 ECWC final. He is now a football agent and has a travel business.

Much-travelled striker Bob Hatton was Blackpool's leading marksman in 1977-78. Signing professional for Wolves in November 1964, he had spells with Bolton Wanderers and Northampton Town prior to joining Carlisle United in July 1969. He starred as they were League Cup semi-finalists in 1969-70, then joined Birmingham City in October 1971 and helped to clinch top-flight status that season. Moving to Blackpool in July 1976, he netted 32 goals in 75 League outings while at Bloomfield Road before joining Luton Town in July 1978. He later played for Sheffield United and Cardiff City, becoming director of sales for the PFA.



John Murphy

### BRETT ORMEROD & JOHN MURPHY

Striker Brett Ormerod scored in Blackpool's 2000-01 Third Division play-off final success. Starting with Blackburn Rovers, he moved via Accrington Stanley to Blackpool for £50,000 in March 1997. He was sold to Southampton for £1.75m in December 2001 and was an FA Cup finalist in 2003. Joining Preston in January 2006, he helped them reach the play-offs that season. He returned to Blackpool in January 2009 and featured in their 2009-10 First Division play-off final success. Netting 60 goals in 215 League games overall for the Seasiders before moving to Wrexham in July 2012, he later played for Bamber Bridge.

Tall striker John Murphy was Blackpool's top scorer in four successive seasons. Signing professional for Chester City in July 1995, he helped them qualify for the Third Division play-offs in 1996-97 and was leading marksman in 1998-99. He joined Blackpool in August 1999 and starred as they regained Second Division status at the first attempt in 2000-01, then won the LDV Vans Trophy in 2002 and 2004. Scoring 83 goals in 252 League outings for the Seasiders, he moved to Macclesfield Town in October 2006 and rejoined Chester in July 2007. He was briefly with St Patrick's Athletic, then coached back at Blackpool.

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# LTST PRESENTATION EVENING

**The Luton Town Supporters' Trust Presentation Evening is fast approaching, and they are calling on your votes in two of their awards categories.**



For supporters aged 16 and over, please email your choice of player for the 'Internet Player of the Season' award to [internetpots@gmail.com](mailto:internetpots@gmail.com) along with your name and contact details.

To vote in the 'Junior Supporters' Player of the Season' category, simply email your choice of player's name along with your name and contact details to [junior.potsvote@gmail.com](mailto:junior.potsvote@gmail.com)

All votes must be received before 11.59pm on Sunday 14th April or they won't be counted. All junior participants names will go in a hat where two names will be pulled out at random.

The first name pulled out will receive one junior ticket and one adult ticket to come along to the presentation evening on Sunday 28th April at Venue 360, where they will get to award the winning player with the trophy.

The second name pulled out will be invited to present the trophy to the winning player on the pitch before kick-off at the Oxford United game (providing they already have a ticket).

The presentation evening is packed full with awards including the Goal of the Season, Players' Player of the Season, Young LTFC Player of the Season, Internet Player of the Season and the main LTST Player of the Season.

There will also be hot food, a bar and a prize draw at the event which kicks-off at 7.30pm.

Happy voting! #COYH

## IN MEMORIAM

The Supporters' Trust are again compiling a video in tribute to Hatters supporters, staff and former players who have passed away in the last 12 months.

The video will be shown as part of the Luton Town Player of the Season Presentation Evening, after which a video will be uploaded to the Supporters' Trust's YouTube channel for evermore.

If you have lost a Hatters fan this past year, the Trust urge you to contact them with details of name, year of birth, when they passed, and of course any photos you are willing to share (maybe wearing Luton colours and /or supporting the Hatters at a game) so that they may be included in the presentation.

Please send details to [lutontownst@gmail.com](mailto:lutontownst@gmail.com). After the presentation a copy can also be sent digitally to your email address via WeTransfer.

The deadline for inclusion in the video is Sunday April 14, 2019 so that the video can be compiled in time for the presentation.



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# ON THE **Kazenga LuaLua** CENTRE SPOT

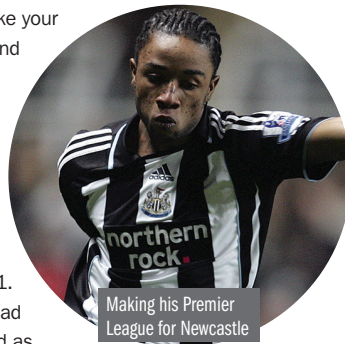
**We asked for your questions on our social media channels to put to Kazenga LuaLua - our brilliant back-flipping forward - ahead of today's clash with his brother Tresor's former club Blackpool. Here the 28-year-old is the latest Hatter to be put On The Centre Spot!**

**@Barringer\_A** You not once, but TWICE, shook the hand of Damien Duff to come on to make your senior debut and then Premier League debut. It's an amazing fact. So, how was the Damien Duff handshake and are you still good handshaking pals?

It was nervous moments to make your debut at Newcastle. I was 16 and it was nice. I came on as a sub for Damien in the 0-0 draw at Stoke in the FA Cup. That was Sam Allardyce's last game in charge. Then I came on again in the replay

at St James Park, when we won 4-1.

Kevin Keegan had been appointed as manager for a second time that day, and then he gave me my Premier League debut against Bolton at home in his first game back a few days later. It was great as a young player. Damien's handshake was just normal, but I used to clean his boots, so it was good that I came on for him. You don't even think of the significance though, because as a young player you are just excited to come on.



**@gompstomp78** I'm six years old and want to celebrate goals like you with a back flip. How old were you when you started to celebrate like that? (Matthew Gostomski, aged 6)

I was very young. It's something my whole family can do. My two older brothers can do it better than me. If you see them do it, they're much better – but it's just a family thing.





Kaz shows the agility that has endeared him to the Hatters faithful



My brother Tresor taught it me when I was younger, and when I went to school to do gymnastics, I was good at that, so I just practised and practised. Tresor is good, but my other brother Jay – who is 30 – is even better. He wasn't a professional, just played for a local team, but he was the best gymnast!

**@charliehodgson1 Have you ever injured your self doing those backflips as your goal celebration?**

My brother injured his ankle when he was at Portsmouth. I think it was against Arsenal, and he scored, did exactly the same as I did against Doncaster a couple of weeks ago, and as he landed he twisted his ankle. Maybe I'm a bit smarter than him! I land fine.

**@SeanMLTFC Have you ever considered doing a different celebration? Like a forward roll? :)**

Nah. When you score a goal, it gets exciting and you want to do something nice. The backflip has always been my celebration and if I did something different, it wouldn't be right. When I was at Brighton and Gus Poyet was manager, he used to tell me not to do it. I would do it, but I knew that after the game I'd get told off by him. He said he'd fine me, but then he wouldn't because he'd always then say it was good for the fans to see it. When you score, you celebrate. I enjoy it!

**@ZarBeck26 What has been the highlight of your career to date (as to not sound presumptuous for this season naturally) and what has been the best goal you have scored?**

The highlight of my career would be making my debut for the team I support, Newcastle, so to play for them in the Premier League at the age of 16 was something not many young players can dream of. The best goal I've ever scored was on my second debut for Brighton in League One. I'd been there on loan towards the end of the previous season, then I went back for a second spell soon into the 2010-11 season and it was against MK Dons at the Withean – the old stadium. It was a free-kick, about 30 yards out, and it was probably my best goal because it got me off to a flying start with my new club. It flew into the roof of the net!



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# CENTRE SPOT

## **f Matt Collins Who was your role model growing up?**

I always looked up to my brother Tresor, he was a really good role model to have. He's 38 and I've always looked up to him. Even when I was at Newcastle, he helped me a lot. I've always got time for him and what he has to tell me. It helps a lot, because when you are having a bad time and things aren't going well, and you have a brother with the experience in football that he's got, it helps massively to talk to him. I'm lucky to have him. The funny thing is that when he was at Newcastle, I was ball-boy at the games, so I used to throw him the ball back for throw-ins and corners. I was in the academy at a young age, so every home game I'd be pitchside with the other ball-boys, and it was quite weird seeing your brother playing, but proud moments.







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It's easy to complete your registration form online via our website, so use this method for all season ticket types. If you are paying by instalments, your application will be processed once outcome of the season is known.

Book now: [www.lutontown.co.uk/tickets/season-tickets/form](http://www.lutontown.co.uk/tickets/season-tickets/form)

## B: COMPLETE THE PAPER FORM IN THIS BROCHURE

This option can be used for all payment methods and season ticket types. If you are paying by instalments, your application will be processed once the outcome of the season is known. Please return completed forms to the ticket office in person, or scan and send by email to [ticketoffice@lutontown.co.uk](mailto:ticketoffice@lutontown.co.uk).

## C: BOOK ON THE PHONE

The ticket office can process season ticket **RENEWALS** only via the phone if supporters are paying in full. If you would like to renew by phone, call the ticket office on **01582 416976**. The season ticket sales period is a very busy time for the ticket office team, and telephone renewals will not be available on matchdays. Thank you for your patience.

## D: BOOK ONLINE VIA OUR E-TICKETING SITE

You can book through our e-ticketing site if you're **paying in full** are the same age category as 2018-19, and do not qualify for a loyalty rate. The League One price will be shown online until our league status is known. An additional payment will be required if we reach the Championship.

### COLLECTION / POSTAGE OF SEASON TICKETS

If you would like your season ticket to be sent out by post, please add an additional £5.00 to cover postage and administration costs. Season ticket applications without a postage payment will be retained at the ticket office for collection towards the end of July.

A collection date will be advised once all season tickets are ready.

## PAY IN MONTHLY INSTALMENTS

You can spread the cost of your season ticket by paying in monthly instalments at no extra cost. You have the option to pay in 4 months or across a number of equal monthly payments ending in February 2020 depending when your season ticket is purchased. Instalments are taken by reoccurring card payments NOT DIRECT DEBITS.

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Buy back vouchers obtained during the 2018 - 19 season which you wish to redeem against your 2019-20 season ticket must be submitted along with your season ticket application as part payment. These vouchers can only be used if the name on the voucher corresponds to the new season ticket holder. Season ticket renewals using buy-back vouchers must be made in person at the ticket office.

# **LUTON TOWN FOOTBALL CLUB 2019-20 SEASON TICKET BOOKING FORM.**



## **PERSONAL DETAILS - PLEASE COMPLETE ONE FORM PER PERSON**

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			MOBILE PHONE								
EMAIL			HOME PHONE								

## **SEASON TICKET INFORMATION.**

Please tick the appropriate boxes below, and fill in the total to be paid in the orange box below.

### **AGE CATEGORY**

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Unacc Youth U17	
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Oak Under 19	

### **LOYALTY RATE**

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<b>PAYMENT IN FULL BY CARD</b> Please complete BOX 1 below.	
<b>INSTALMENTS (4 MONTHS)</b> Please complete BOX 2 below. 1st payment May 2019, or 1st June if league position is undecided.	
<b>INSTALMENTS (9/10 MONTHS)</b> Please complete BOX 2 below. Payments end February 2020	

### **SEAT LOCATION**

New season ticket holders please contact the ticket office to select your seat.

<b>STAND:</b>	
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Kenilworth Lower	
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**PLEASE REFER TO PAGE TWO OF THE BROCHURE AND COMPLETE THE RELEVANT BOX BELOW.**

**TOTAL CHARGE (LEAGUE ONE):**

£

**TOTAL CHARGE (CHAMPIONSHIP):**

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### **BOX 1 - PAYMENT DETAILS - FOR SUPPORTERS PAYING IN FULL BY DEBIT OR CREDIT CARD ONLY**

To pay for the items detailed on this form in full, using a debit or credit card, please enter the details below. If the ticket office do not have a record of your current card details as entered below, we will contact you by telephone for payment in due course.

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LTST ADULT - £10:	<input type="checkbox"/>	LTST UNDER 16 / OVER 60 - £5:	<input type="checkbox"/>
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# PRICES

Our season tickets go on sale in three phases - Earlybird, Primetime and Anytime. The sooner you purchase your ticket, the cheaper it is. Plus you can spread the cost by paying in instalments (terms and conditions apply). **Existing Season Ticket seats will be held until 31st May.**

## 2019-20 Loyalty Discount

To show our appreciation to supporters who have been season ticket holders for a number of years, in the event that we are promoted to the Championship, a 'Loyalty Discount' will apply. Please tick the box and enter the appropriate price on the application form.

### LEAGUE ONE

	EARLY BIRD 02/04 - 26/04	PRIME TIME 27/04 - 31/05	ANYTIME FROM 01/06 >
Adult	£380	£420	£460
Over 65/Under 22	£280	£310	£340
Over 75/Under 19	£200	£240	£280
Acc Youth U17*	£80	£100	£120
Acc Junior U10*	£50	£70	£90
Unacc Youth U17	£120	£140	£160
Oak Adult	£320	£370	£420
Oak Under 22	£200	£220	£240
Oak Under 19	£130	£150	£170

### CHAMPIONSHIP

	EARLY BIRD: 02/04 - 26/04			PRIMETIME 27/04 - 31/05	ANYTIME FROM 01/06 >
	Orange (5yr)	Navy (2yr)	White		
Adult	£400	£425	£450	£500	£550
Over 65/Under 22	£290	£305	£320	£350	£390
Over 75/Under 19	£210	£220	£230	£270	£290
Acc Youth U17*	£90	£95	£100	£110	£120
Acc Junior U10*	£60	£65	£70	£80	£90
Unacc Youth U17	£130	£135	£140	£160	£180
Oak Adult	£350	£365	£380	£430	£480
Oak Under 22	£240	£250	£260	£290	£320
Oak Under 19	£160	£170	£180	£200	£220

## WHAT PRICE TO PAY: LEAGUE ONE OR CHAMPIONSHIP

At this point in the season, we're making no assumptions as to which league we will be in for 2019-20. So, if you're planning on taking advantage of paying in full at our **Earlybird rate**, you have two options:

### OPTION ONE: LEAGUE ONE RATE

Pay the League One price for your season ticket, then if we're successful in reaching the Championship, you'll be required to make an additional payment to make up the difference. Your season ticket will be held at the ticket office until you have contacted us to make the final payment.

### OPTION TWO: CHAMPIONSHIP RATE

Pay the Championship price for your season ticket, then if we're unsuccessful in gaining promotion, a credit voucher will be sent to you for use in our Club shops or catering units, alternatively you can contact the ticket office for details for a refund.







**@Pete\_LTFC** Regardless of the result, what has been the best game you have ever played in, and why?

I was at Brighton a long time, and it would have to be one of the derby games, against Crystal Palace, at home. We won 3-0 and it was probably one of my best games at the Amex, in front of a full house. Leonardo Ulloa got two and David Lopez the other, but I played well in that game.



**@emmaorch** What was it like to get the equaliser against Walsall?

It was nice, but it was good for the team mainly because it meant we stayed unbeaten. It was a good time to score because it wasn't really a good game. Walsall on the day were very good, but to score the equaliser at that time, when there was only seconds left in the game, to keep the unbeaten run going was brilliant. Everybody just jumped in the crowd. I didn't want to be alone, so I just followed

them. Collo got booked, but saying that the ref would have had to have booked half the team for that celebration if he was sticking to the letter of the law.

**@Andysbrett** If you ever got arrested, who from the current Luton would be your partner in crime?

I wouldn't get arrested...but (the rest of the players in the treatment starting shouting 'There's only one man'!) it would probably be Ready...Arthur Read!

**@GEEEEZ** Do you have any lucky rituals that you have to do before a game?

I put my boots in hot water to get them soft and moulded around my foot.

**@abboway** Who is the most skillful player at Luton apart from yourself?

Elliot Lee. Although there's a few others too – Shins, Bez has got some skill as well, Moncs. But my top three would be Elliot Lee, Shins and Bez.

**@SteveLTFC1** Who is your most annoying team-mate whilst you been here with the Hatters? And who do you share a room with on away days?

There's no-one (again, the rest of the lads in the treatment room get involved and start a chant of 'Macca'!) Go on then, Macca, because he talks a lot...but in a good way, definitely in a good way!





**@DICKPLENTY** Who's your room-mate at the club?

Baps, when he travels, or Stace. Both are quiet room-mates, they go to sleep early, which is nice. They are very good. Very tidy.

**Claire Louise** What's the best chant that fans have sung about you?

I had a few at Brighton, where it was just my name, but I like the one the Luton fans sing now about champagne. I'm not going to sing it myself, because I don't want to tempt fate, but it's brilliant to hear it when we're out on the pitch. It'll be even better if we make it come true!

**Phil Wain** Do you have any favourite players?

As well as my brother, the REAL Ronaldo – 100 per cent. He was brilliant for Brazil and Barcelona.



I always look at the videos on YouTube and he was amazing. The speed of him, he was so quick, powerful, skilful. He had everything. The complete striker.

**jlozzy\_anyajossy** With what's happened in Montenegro and ongoing racist issues within football, what are your thoughts on punishments for teams and how do we implement these to eradicate ignorance like this from our game?

These things have been going on for a while, and UEFA and FIFA are always saying they'll punish people. But I think they've got to do more than just say stuff that they don't really do. It's a horrible thing. If you're a footballer, you are playing in a stadium and you can hear what the fans say. I've never experienced racism in football, but at school I did. It didn't end up good for the guy who was racist towards me – and he didn't do it again – but it's not a nice thing in life, let alone football. You could hear the racist chanting on the TV in the Montenegro game and they need to do more and give the team a big punishment. A fine of 15 or 20 grand is nothing. They need to be forced to play games behind closed doors or have points deducted.

**bensc1234** What's been your favourite moment in a Town shirt?

Everything. It's a nice club with good people, and I'm enjoying it, which is most important. There isn't one game in particular. Every game has been good.

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# Mick Harford's HAT'S LIFE



**Apple or Android?**

Apple.

**Last person you called?**

My son.

**Most famous person in your phone?**

Vinnie Jones.

**Favourite food?**

Shepherd's Pie.

**Apple or rhubarb crumble?**

Apple.

**Food you can't stand?**

Orange chocolate.

**Pet hate?**

Stopping for petrol.

**Cat or dog?**

Dog.

**Xbox or PlayStation?**

Neither.

**Karaoke song?**

Wandering Star – Lee Marvin.

**Top of your playlist?**

Queen – Bohemian Rhapsody.

**Favourite artist?**

Johnny Cash.

**Last holiday?**

Mallorca.

**Can't miss on TV?**

Pointless.

**Love Island or**

**Peaky Blinders?**

Peaky Blinders.

**Club you support?**

Sunderland.

**Favourite away ground?**

Anfield.

**Best moment in football?**

My England debut.

**Best player played with?**

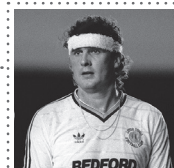
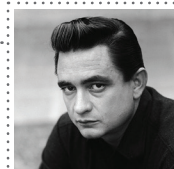
Steve Foster.

**Room-mate?**

Steve Foster – gives a lot away that does!

**Instagram or Twitter?**

Twitter.



Mick's favourite away ground

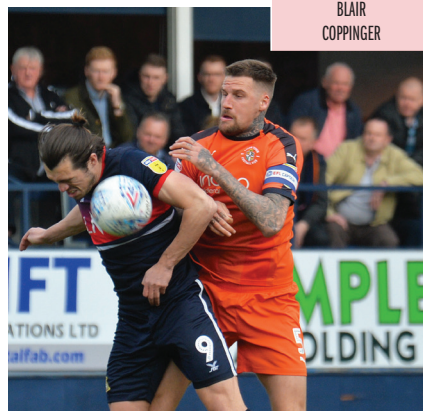


# LUTON TOWN 4 DONCASTER 0

TOWN GOALS: MPANZU 33, HYLTON 57, LUALUA 82, BERRY 90+2



Kazenga LuaLua scores the third



SHEA  
STACEY  
PEARSON  
BRADLEY  
JUSTIN  
POTTS (BERRY 22)  
MPANZU  
SHINNIE  
LEE  
HYLTON (CORNICK 79)  
LUALUA (CUMMINGS 87)

#### SUBS NOT USED:

MONCUR  
THORNE  
SHEEHAN  
ISTED

#### YELLOW CARDS:

MPANZU



MAROSI  
ANDREW  
BUTLER  
WILKS (SMITH 63)  
MARQUIS  
ROWE (SADLER 63)  
CRAWFORD  
BLAIR  
COPPINGER  
DOWNING  
LEWIS (HASANI 72)

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ANDERSON  
BEESTIN  
MAY

#### YELLOW CARDS:

LEWIS  
BLAIR  
COPPINGER



## HARFORD

"I thought it was an all-round performance. Firstly I would like to say without the ball

I thought we were excellent. We had a good shape defensively, they had a couple of chances early on, half chances, but over the course of the 90 minutes without the ball I thought we were exceptional.

"Some of the defending was excellent, with the shape of the back four, and going forward we were a threat all afternoon. In terms of different kinds of chances, we put the ball in the box, we looked dangerous from set-plays and we looked dangerous on the counter-attack. So overall it's a real pleasing performance and I am just so proud of the players."



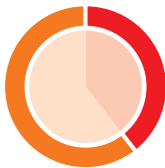
## STORY OF THE MATCH

Town took Doncaster to the cleaners a fortnight ago as Mick Harford's side put four past them without reply in what was a rampant performance from the hosts.

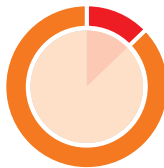
Pelly-Ruddock Mpanzu opened the scoring on his 199th appearance for the club just after the half-hour mark when he swept home from Kazenga LuaLua's backheel.

Danny Hylton netted for the third consecutive home game when he tapped in from Luke Berry's effort in the second half, before Jack Stacey's brilliant through ball was converted by Kazenga LuaLua.

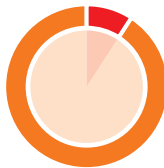
Berry rounded off the scoring with a thumping effort from the edge of the box, with Hylton having a goal ruled out for offside and Elliot Lee hammering an effort against the crossbar as well.



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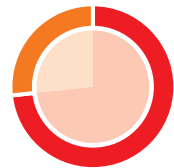
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**FOULS**  
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# BRISTOL ROVERS 1 LUTON TOWN 2

TOWN GOALS: COLLINS 17, BERRY 39  
ROVERS GOAL: CLARKE-HARRIS 45+2



James Collins steers home the opener



SHEA  
STACEY  
PEARSON  
BRADLEY  
JUSTIN  
MPANZU  
SHINNIE  
BERRY (THORNE 83)  
LEE  
COLLINS  
LUALUA (CORNICK 74)

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YELLOW CARDS:  
SERCOMBE



## HARFORD

"It was a massive win in terms of the season, where we are. It was a really, really difficult game and after the first 20 minutes when the game settled down until half-time, I thought we were excellent.

"The game could have been out of sight, it could have been a lot more than 2-0, and we were a bit annoyed in terms of giving away a goal just before half time.

"But the players came out, we weren't as fluent as we normally are second half, and without them really hurting us apart from one chance at the far post that Clarke-Harris had, I thought we defended really well.

"The two centre-halves were immense again, James Shea came and caught a lot of crosses and took the pressure off. So it was a real hard, tough performance in which we ground out a good result."





## STORY OF THE MATCH

The Hatters secured a record equalling victory as they defeated Bristol Rovers 2-1 on their own turf last Saturday.

The three points meant the Town have now gone 27 games unbeaten in league football – a record that was set during the 2013/14 conference promotion campaign.

James Collins opened the scoring from a fine Hatters move we have seen on more than one occasion this season, as Andrew Shinnie's defence

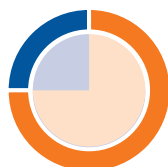
splitting pass found Jack Stacey, who crossed low for Collins to convert for his 150th career goal.

Luke Berry netted for the second consecutive week when his bobbling effort beat Jack Bonham, giving the Hatters a much-needed cushion, as Jonson Clarke-Harris got his side back in the side with a well taken goal just before half-time.

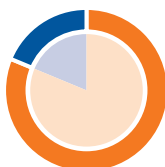
A scrappy second half followed, with neither team able to find any real momentum in a stop-start 45 minutes.



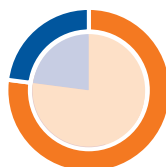
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50% | 50%



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**SHOTS OFF TARGET**  
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**CORNERS**  
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BY HARRY ROGERS

# COLLO'S IRISH EYES ARE SMILING!

**James Collins was back to scoring ways at Bristol Rovers last Saturday, netting his 21st of the season at the Memorial Stadium after ten days away with the Republic of Ireland.**

Even though Collo wasn't given any game time while away with the national side for their Euro 2020 qualifiers against Gibraltar and Georgia, the striker was buoyed by the experience and delighted to be back to net the 150th goal of his career.

Speaking after Saturday's victory over the Gas, Collins said: "I thoroughly enjoyed my time away and to come back into the side today and get a massive three points is a credit to everyone involved.

"I didn't manage to get any minutes on the pitch while away, but they were two big games for us. You've got to look at the quality that was over there in the squad. They're all Championship and Premier League players. So, to train with them every day, be around them every day and see how they do things, I think I picked up a lot.

"All I can do is keep scoring goals for Luton and hopefully the gaffer will keep picking me (for the Republic of Ireland)."

Collins has been sensational for the Hatters this season, driving himself to the summit of the division's top scorers list. His effort has not gone unnoticed, winning Sky Bet League One player of the month for January being shortlisted for player of the season, the winner of which will be announced at the EFL Awards tomorrow night.

He said: "It's a great honour to be recognised for your performances in the year. It's a first for me so it gives me massive confidence and I'm really going to enjoy it."

The striker may well be delighted at the possibility of winning such a prestigious award, but also remains modest, explaining how Jack Stacey has helped him bag the goals this term.



Collins continued: "Last year I hammered into Stacey that I'll always be in the box for him so if he gets his head up, he can try and pick me out. To be fair to him this year, he's picked me out a number of times and he's been one of the outstanding performers this season. He's been excellent for me, he's put it on a plate for me and I can't thank him enough really."

The ex-Shrewsbury man also had nothing but kind words for the fans who have played their part this season, getting behind this record-breaking Hatters side for every game. More than 1,000 Town fans made the trip to the West Country on Saturday as well as selling out the home sections for this afternoon's test against Blackpool.

Collins added: "They're outstanding. All season they've backed us really well from the first game at Pompey when they came in their numbers. Every away game, every home game they back us, and we want to do it for them as much as we want to do it for each other."

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# JJ: THE CONSISTENCY IS THE KEY

**Ever since James Justin made his first team debut in 2016 against Aston Villa in the League Cup, he's grown into an essential part of how this record-breaking Luton side play.**

So, it came as no surprise when the full-back earned a well-deserved nomination for EFL Young Player of the Year last month, going up against Derby County's on-loan Liverpool midfielder Harry Wilson and JJ's former Luton youth team-mate Max Aarons.

Speaking after Saturday's match, JJ said: "I feel like I have taken my chance and performed consistently throughout the season, so it's just a pleasure to get into the team and to then be nominated for Young Player of the Season. It's also a credit to all the team around me because I wouldn't be able to do it without them."

The 21-year-old was quick to admit that it may not have been the Hatters' best second half performance of the season, but nevertheless, a top first half display ensured another important three points were won.

JJ continued: "The first half was free-flowing, we played excellent and it could have been more really. They sucker punched us I guess at the end of the half. We've always got to keep switched on and they just showed us how dangerous they are.

"In the second half we've dug in excellently, they've had one real chance where Stace has blocked it. We've got a fantastic team to dig in if we need to, and the subs that came on helped us massively as well.

"Matty Pearson and Sonny Bradley just head everything away, I don't know how they do it. They do it week in, week out."

Justin was a youth team player with the Town when John Still led the club back to the EFL after that record-breaking run of 27 matches. Now equalled, JJ and his team have their sights set on not just



beating it this afternoon, but carrying it on as long as they possibly can.

JJ added: "I was in the youth team when John Still was here, but I was never really getting a sniff at the first team because I was only about 16 at the time.

"It's just amazing what we've done this season and credit to everyone who steps into the team who just keeps the standards up. Hopefully we can go on and continue that until the end of the season.

"We then want to continue it into next season and see what happens. There is no reason why we can't. We're looking at the next fixtures and we fancy ourselves to do well."

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# TRAVELLER'S TALES

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

## THE JOURNEY

On a beautifully sunny day, the journey down to Bristol certainly didn't match the glorious weather, as a couple of bad accidents made getting there tough. Luckily I was on a coach where the driver knew his onions and we made it down relatively ok, but I was aware many others didn't.

**RATING: (OUT OF 5)** ⚽

## THE GROUND

This was the first time I'd been to the Memorial Stadium in three years. I can't say it is my favourite ground. It is just a collection of different weird stands moulded together! The only thing it has going for it is a decent atmosphere because the view is one of the worst of the season.

**RATING:** ⚽⚽

## THE FOOD

The food options were very minimal with no sign of burgers or hot dogs, leaving just pies and sausage rolls, although at £4 a pop it was no surprise that the refreshment kiosk wasn't doing a roaring trade!

**RATING:** ⚽

## THE PROGRAMME

One good thing about the day was the programme. There was stacks of good stuff in it about the Town, battles with the Pirates, players of the past and present and much more. I'd say this was the best programme of the season.

**RATING:** ⚽⚽⚽⚽⚽

## THE MATCH

This was an afternoon where champions were defined. Under a gloriously sunny sky, the Town put on a performance to match the atmosphere as we were brilliant in the first half. We looked dangerous every time we went forward and deservedly led, when the Shinnie to Stacey to Collins to goal combination worked yet again! The lead was doubled five minutes before half-time when Berry fired home from the edge of the box to round off a wonderful move. Bristol Rovers pulled one back on half time with a decent counter attack. Second half was a backs-to-the-wall effort as Rovers chased an equaliser, but there was no getting past Pearson and Bradley again, and if anyone was going to score it was us. Elliot Lee missed a good chance, but although the scoreline was tight, we saw it out nicely for a huge win.

**RATING:** ⚽⚽⚽⚽

## MAN OF THE MATCH

Jack Stacey was superb once again. He set up the first goal and made a vital block at the back post deep into the second half to secure the win. We have come to expect excellence from the right-back and we certainly got it here.

## SUMMARY

Thankfully the journey home was a million miles better than the one there so we were back in time for a celebratory pint. Seven points clear now and a second successive promotion is so close we can almost touch it. Another wonderful day!

**OVERALL RATING: 14**

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# ACADEMY UPDATE

WITH ACADEMY & DEVELOPMENT MANAGER  
**ANDY AWFORD**

**Good afternoon everyone and welcome to today's game versus Blackpool.**

## U18s

The U18s have had as hectic a week as they've had in a long time, however they have come through it with a fair amount of credit. A long 11-hour round trip to a very experienced Plymouth Argyle side in the Central League saw us return with a thoroughly deserved point following an 85th-minute equaliser from trialist Hong Wan.



We then travelled to Oxford, who currently sit top of the Merit League 1 table, with a very young side and again gained a decent point. Drew Richardson (pictured) gave us the lead with a fantastic strike that was cancelled out by a penalty just before half-time.

This was then followed with another long trip to Cheltenham Town last Tuesday. Unfortunately, we conceded two penalties in the first 10 minutes of the second half after being level 1-1 at the break, with Connor Tomlinson scoring our goal from the spot.

Another trip up the A1 saw us face Peterborough this morning, where hopefully we would have got back to winning ways.

## CEDARS COLLEGE

I would like to offer our congratulations to our Luton Town Cedars Under 18 Shadow Squad, who are having a very productive season with the possibility

of a League Double on the horizon and possibly a League and Cup Treble.

They have recently secured their Divisional Title in the Southern Counties Floodlit Youth League with a 3-0 win over Tring Athletic. With two games remaining in the National League U19 Alliance, two victories will also secure their Divisional Title.

We wish Stuart Smith, Joe Deeney and the players well for the rest of the season.

Enjoy today's game, get behind the lads as you always do and roar them on to another three points.

COYH!!

Andy

## MERIT LEAGUE 1 FIXTURES 2019

### FEBRUARY

Sat 16	AFC Wimbledon	A	L 1-3
Sat 23	N'hampton Town	H	L 1-2

### MARCH

Sat 2	Swindon Town	A	L 0-4
Sat 9	Southend United	H	W 4-1
Sat 16	AFC Bournemouth	A	D 1-1
Sat 23	Portsmouth	H	L 1-3
Sat 30	Oxford United	A	D 1-1

### APRIL

Sat 6	Peterborough United	A	11am
Sat 13	Exeter City	H	1.30pm
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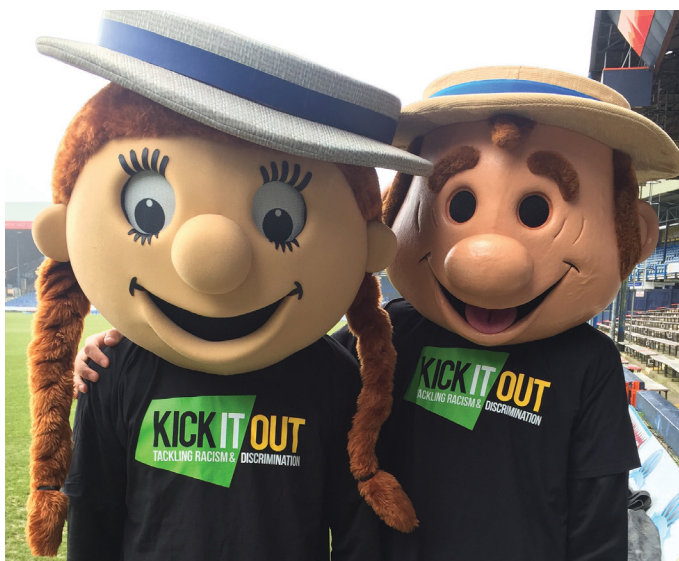
## TODAY IS KICK IT OUT DAY AT KENILWORTH ROAD (SUPPORTED BY LUTON STREET LEAGUE)

Today's fixture against Blackpool has been dedicated to celebrating the work of 'Kick it Out', football's equality and inclusion organisation and we are proud to see both sets of players, match officials and Happy Harry and Hatty wearing Kick It Out T-shirts in their warm-ups in support of the campaign.

Kick It Out is primarily a campaigning organisation which works with the football authorities, professional clubs, players, fans and community trusts, to tackle all forms of discrimination. The campaign has been pivotal in persuading and supporting the game's stakeholders to take their equality responsibilities seriously.

The vision is that football will be a sport where people flourish in a supportive community, and where fairness is openly and transparently practiced and enforced for the good of all participants.

Kick it Out seeks to promote awareness of the benefits of equality, inclusion, diversity policies and practices in football, expose and challenge all aspects of discrimination and unfair practices, and conduct at all levels of football as well as sharing information about good practices being pursued to achieve equality.



We hope Kick It Out matchdays such as today's significantly increases the awareness of inclusion and diversity, and the consequences of inappropriate behaviour across all levels of football, and to clearly show the importance of exposing inequalities and the positive value and impact that can be made through collective action.

As part of today's Kick It Out 25th anniversary matchday we have brought a group of young men aged 16-18 years, and mostly from Sudan, who arrived at Luton Airport as unaccompanied asylum seekers and who take part in our weekly football sessions the Trust run as part of our community-led Local Development 'Luton Street League' project.





The 'Luton Street League' project is a joint project between the Hatters Trust, East Cricket and Luton Basketball that seeks to use sport to improve community cohesion and life chances for young people in Luton. The overall project involves investment from both the Trust, our partners Beds Cricket, and the European Union through the European Social Fund, with Luton Council managing the project.

'Luton Street League' operates ten centres across town that offer free weekly football, cricket, basketball and other sports to young people from right across Luton, and as well as aimed at improving community cohesion, all centres

offer employment training and skills workshops to help participants either improve their current employability opportunities or future employment chances.

The Luton Street League project falls within the Council's Community Local Led Development (CLLD) strategy that sets out a vision and action plan centred around six strategic objectives that all address in one way or another the many barriers to employment that certain sections of the Town's population face, as well as focusing on the importance of community cohesion in raising the outside perception of Luton to employers and potential visitors.

## **FA PEOPLE'S CUP HATTERS #EVERYPLAYERCOUNTS SQUAD THROUGH TO NATIONAL FINALS**

**Massive well done to our Hatters adult disability squad who have made the national finals of the FA People's Cup to be held at St George's Park at the end of April.**

Following on from their exciting day a couple of weeks ago when Mick, Sonny and James Shea visited Ely Way for the EFL Day of Action and our #everyplayercounts disability tournament, the boys took their coaching tips and pep talk from the boss straight into the regional tournament hosted by the Beds FA.

It was held at Kempston Rovers, where the lads played a series of five matches to make the final, conceding only four goals all day and winning four out of five games and drawing one.

Anyone who has met our squads is immediately impressed at how much they love the game and

how much the game gives them back, and the two-way benefit we receive from our weekly coaching sessions with such a great bunch.

One of the biggest barriers adults with a disability face is maintaining a circle of friends and this can often lead to social isolation – our weekly sessions are deliberately aimed at bringing everyone together on a regular basis to enjoy the feeling of belonging and being part of the Luton Town FC extended family.

The Trust currently run ten separate sessions a week in local sports centres and schools for both adults and children with PAN disability.

Anyone interested can find out more about our disability sports sessions by contacting Luke Hyde at the Community Trust office on **01582 561622**.





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# HATTERS LADIES

BY DANIEL TAGG

## Luton Town 2-4 Cambridge United

### Games running out for struggling Hatters

Going into this game, Luton sat three points adrift of safety and in need of some form as they entered their final six games.

Admittedly, Town had started to pick up points here and there, but if they were going to maintain their status as a South East Division One side, these points had to continue to flow.

The Hatters were looking for some revenge after they lost by a single goal to Cambridge away from home earlier in the season, and this time round they made the perfect start, taking the lead when midfielder Nicola Henman bundled the ball over the line after a goalmouth scramble.

It didn't last long, however, as the visitors drew level just ten minutes later through striker Molly Cooper, whose sweetly-struck half volley flew past Kezia Hassall.

The next 20 minutes were fairly even, but then a ten-minute spell just before half-time saw Cooper add her second, and then a third, after the ball was given away sloppily in a dangerous area on both occasions.

Things then went from bad to worse before the break for Town, Cambridge's Becky Sheppard making it 4-1 with a superb strike from just outside the box.

To their credit, the Hatters were much improved in the second period. Aurora Ryan once again stood out as driving force behind Luton's attack, and her skill on the ball as well as confidence to shoot from distance was a cause for concern for the Cambridge defence.

Dionne Manning also looked lively, latching onto a handful of through balls and coming close to getting one back for Luton.

Town did actually get the ball in the back of the net during this spell, but it was disallowed for an alleged push in the build-up.

Hassall had to make a couple of good saves while Luton searched for a route back into the game, and Rachel Kosky looked dangerous when she picked up the ball and ran at the Cambridge defenders.

But in the end it was second-half substitute Remi Bains who gave Luton a glimmer of hope when she converted from close range with just under 15 minutes remaining.

Unfortunately, this was as good as it got for the Hatters, with this loss giving them just five games to make up a five-point gap between themselves and Denham if they are to avoid the drop.

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

Sun Aug 19	Leyton Orient	L 0-1	Sun Dec 9	Norwich City	L 1-4
Sun Aug 26	AFC Wimbledon	L 1-3	Sun Jan 6	Sharnbrook (BCC)	W 9-0
Sun Sep 2	Cheltenham (Cup)	L 1-3	Sun Jan 13	Leyton Orient	L 0-3
Sun Sep 9	Actonians	L 0-3	Wed Feb 20	Enfield Town	D 0-0
Sun Sep 16	Billerica Town	L 1-2	Sun Feb 24	AFC Wimbledon	W 4-1
Sun Sep 23	Dunstable (Cup)	W 7-0	Sun Mar 3	Stevenage	L 0-1
Sun Sep 30	Ipswich Town	W 3-1	Tue Mar 12	Denham	D 1-1
Wed Oct 3	Denham United	D 0-0	Sun Mar 17	Bedford Town	L 0-1
Sun Oct 7	Oxford City	W 5-2	(Beds FA Ladies Cup Final)		
Sun Oct 14	Gillingham (plate)	L 4-5	Sun Mar 24	Crawley Wasps	L 0-3
Sun Nov 4	Cambridge Utd	L 0-1	Sun Mar 31	Cambridge Utd	L 2-4
Sun Nov 11	Kent (FACupR1)	W 1-1*	(Home games at Stockwood Park Athletics Stadium)		
Sun Dec 2	Billerica (FACupR2)	L 1-3	*W 3-1 on penalties		





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## Sheila Irene Struck (née Parsons)

The club have been contacted by the son of Sheila Irene Struck (nee Parsons), who sadly passed away on 19th February, aged 87.



Sheila was born in and lived in Luton until moving to Germany in 1971. Konrad explained how Sheila's love for the club never wavered. Konrad said that he and his mother celebrated Mick Harford's 60th in February

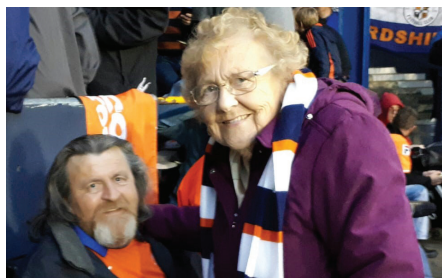
with champagne, and every time he made the ten-hour round trip to visit her, they watched a Hatters match on iFollow.

"Mum's last match was the 3-0 win over Wycombe," he added. "I managed to get a Sunday paper at the station the following day and will never forget the smile on her face when she saw Luton at the top of the table. She said it would be great to get promoted again." Rest in peace, Sheila.

## Margaret Goodman

We are sorry to report the sad passing of loyal supporter Margaret Goodman on 12th March, aged 88.

Margaret was eight when she was taken to her first game by her father, continuing after the war which included being present for the 1959 Cup Final and season ticket holder until 2018, when sadly due to ill health was unable to attend anymore. Pictured here with her son Phil, Margaret shared her love for Luton with her family and there are three generations with season tickets. Our thoughts are with them all at this sad time.



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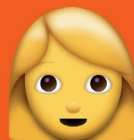
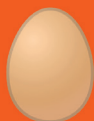
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# LEAGUELOOK

## LEAGUE TABLE 2018/19

	P	W	D	L	F	A	GD	PTS
1 Luton Town	40	25	11	4	78	32	46	86
2 Barnsley	40	22	13	5	67	30	37	79
3 Sunderland	38	20	16	2	67	34	33	76
4 Portsmouth	39	21	11	7	68	41	27	74
5 Charlton Athletic	39	20	10	9	56	37	19	70
6 Doncaster Rovers	40	17	12	11	68	52	16	63
7 Peterborough United	39	16	10	13	60	54	6	58
8 Blackpool	40	14	15	11	45	43	2	57
9 Coventry City	40	16	9	15	45	45	0	57
10 Fleetwood Town	39	15	10	14	50	41	9	55
11 Burton Albion	39	14	11	14	53	46	7	53
12 Oxford United	40	12	13	15	47	55	-8	49
13 Gillingham	40	13	9	18	54	64	-10	48
14 Plymouth Argyle	40	12	11	17	51	63	-12	47
15 Shrewsbury Town	40	11	13	16	44	52	-8	46
16 Bristol Rovers	40	11	12	17	41	45	-4	45
17 Wycombe Wanderers	39	11	11	17	48	60	-12	44
18 Accrington Stanley	39	11	11	17	40	58	-18	44
19 Scunthorpe United	40	12	8	20	48	69	-21	44
20 Southend United	40	12	6	22	47	59	-12	42
21 Walsall	40	11	9	20	43	64	-21	42
22 AFC Wimbledon	40	12	6	22	36	58	-22	42
23 Rochdale	39	11	9	19	48	77	-29	42
24 Bradford City	40	10	6	24	43	68	-25	36

## PLAYER STATS 2018/19

	THIS SEASON										LIFC		
	LEAGUE		CUP		TOTAL		DISIP		CAREER TOT				
	APPS	GLS	APPS	GLS	APPS	GLS	Y	R	APPS	GLS			
Luke Berry	7	(8)	3	2	(1)	0	9	(9)	3	0	0	57	11
Sonny Bradley	38	(1)	0	5	(0)	0	43	(1)	0	4	0	44	0
James Collins	37	(2)	21	4	(0)	0	41	(2)	21	9	0	88	41
Harry Cornick	13	(13)	5	5	(0)	2	18	(13)	7	0	0	72	12
Jason Cummings	0	(2)	0	0	(0)	0	0	(2)	0	0	0	2	0
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	0	22	4
Danny Hylton	18	(7)	8	2	(1)	0	20	(8)	8	4	2	118	58
Harry Isted	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	(2)	1	4	(6)	1	0	0	14	2
Jake Jarvis	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	29	(8)	3	7	(2)	0	36	(10)	3	1	0	108	6
Elliot Lee	30	(2)	10	4	(1)	0	34	(3)	10	4	0	86	25
Kazenga LuaLua	6	(12)	2	4	(2)	1	10	(14)	3	2	0	24	3
Alan McCormack	16	(2)	0	4	(0)	0	20	(2)	0	9	0	38	1
George Moncur	2	(6)	4	0	(0)	0	2	(6)	4	1	0	8	4
Pelly-Ruddock Mpanzu	40	(0)	3	4	(2)	0	44	(2)	3	6	0	200	12
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	40	(0)	6	6	(0)	0	46	(0)	6	1	0	46	6
Jake Peck	0	(0)	0	0	(1)	0	0	(1)	0	0	0	1	0
Dan Potts	15	(9)	1	1	(2)	0	16	(11)	1	5	0	116	9
Glen Rea	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 Sheehy	37	(0)	0	5	(0)	0	42	(0)	0	0	0	55	0
Alan Sheehan	3	(12)	0	4	(0)	1	7	(12)	1	1	0	126	8
Andrew Shinnie	34	(2)	4	6	(0)	1	40	(2)	5	8	0	76	8
Jack Stacey	39	(0)	4	5	(0)	0	44	(0)	4	3	0	89	5
Marek Stech	3	(0)	0	2	(0)	0	5	(0)	0	0	0	47	0
George Thorne	0	(3)	0	0	(0)	0	0	(3)	0	0	0	3	0
Connor Tomlinson	0	(0)	0	0	(1)	0	0	(1)	0	0	0	2	0

## LEAGUE ONE LEADING SCORERS

21	<b>JAMES COLLINS (LUTON)</b>	<b>31,502</b>
19	<b>JOHN MARQUIS (DONCASTER)</b>	<b>18,169</b>
19	<b>TOM EAVES (GILLINGHAM)</b>	<b>16,049</b>
17	<b>IAN HENDERSON (ROCHDALE)</b>	<b>12,437</b>
16	<b>FREDDIE LADAPO (PLYMOUTH)</b>	<b>12,321</b>
16	<b>KIEFFER MOORE (BARNSELY)</b>	<b>11,545</b>
15	<b>JOSH MAJA (SUNDERLAND)</b>	<b>9,654</b>
15	<b>LYLE TAYLOR (CHARLTON)</b>	<b>9,434</b>

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 Bradford City v Doncaster Rovers  
 Burton Albion v Barnsley  
 Fleetwood Town v Southend United

Luton Town v Blackpool  
 Peterborough United v Gillingham  
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# FIXTURES PILE-UP

DATE	TIME	H/A	OPPOSITION	SCORE	ATT	AWAY	POS	STARTING XI							
<b>AUGUST</b>															
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		
<b>SEPTEMBER</b>															
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 3-0	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		
<b>OCTOBER</b>															
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		
<b>NOVEMBER</b>															
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	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		
<b>DECEMBER</b>															
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	Conventry 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		
<b>JANUARY</b>															
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)	L 0-1	9,259	1,473	-	Shea	Stacey	Pearson	Bradley	Justin	LuaLua		
Sat 19	3.00pm	H	Peterborough United	W 4-0	10,055	1,031	2	Shea	Stacey	Pearson ●	Bradley	Justin	McCormack ●		
Sat 26	3.00pm	A	Southend United	W 1-0	8,460	2,037	1	Shea	Stacey	Pearson 1	Bradley	Justin	McCormack		
Tue 29	7.45pm	H	Portsmouth	W 3-2	10,078	1,033	1	Shea	Stacey	Pearson	Bradley	Justin	McCormack		
<b>FEBRUARY</b>															
Sat 2	3.00pm	A	Shrewsbury Town	W 3-0	6,859	1,334	1	Shea	Stacey	Pearson 1	Bradley	Justin	McCormack ●		
Sat 9	3.00pm	H	Wycombe Wanderers	W 3-0	10,072	751	1	Shea	Stacey	Pearson	Bradley	Justin	McCormack		
Sat 16	3.00pm	A	Fleetwood Town	W 2-1	3,651	1,048	1	Shea	Stacey	Pearson	Bradley	Justin	McCormack ●		
Sun 24	12.00pm	H	Conventry City	D 1-1	9,801	819	1	Shea	Stacey	Pearson 1	Bradley	Justin	McCormack		
<b>MARCH</b>															
Sat 2	3.00pm	H	Rochdale	W 2-0	9,905	199	1	Shea	Stacey	Pearson	Bradley	Justin	McCormack		
Sat 9	3.00pm	A	Plymouth Argyle	D 0-0	11,081	1,215	1	Shea	Stacey	Pearson	Bradley	Justin ●	McCormack		
Tue 12	7.45pm	A	Bradford City	W 1-0	15,992	1,044	1	Shea	Stacey 1	Pearson	Bradley	Justin	McCormack ●		
Sat 16	3.00pm	H	Gillingham	D 2-2	9,963	601	1	Shea	Stacey 1	Pearson	Bradley	Justin	Berry ●		
Sat 23	3.00pm	H	Doncaster Rovers	W 4-0	10,071	544	1	Shea	Stacey	Pearson	Bradley	Justin	Potts ●		
Sat 30	3.00pm	A	Bristol Rovers	W 2-1	9,037	1,145	1	Shea	Stacey	Pearson	Bradley	Justin	Berry 1 ●		
<b>APRIL</b>															
Sat 6	3.00pm	H	Blackpool												
Sat 13	3.00pm	A	Charlton Athletic												
Sat 20	5.30pm	A	Accrington Stanley												
Tue 23	7.45pm	H	AFC Wimbledon												
Sat 27	3.00pm	A	Burton Albion												
<b>MAY</b>															
Sat 4	5.30pm	H	Oxford United												

\*Lost 2-4 on penalties

**KEY:** ● First Substitute | ● Second Substitute | ● Third Substitute | 🚩 Sent off | **GOALSCORER**

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**FORMED: 1905** | **NICKNAME: THE ADDICKS** | **LAST SEASON: 6TH IN LEAGUE ONE** | **FOLLOW THEM ON TWITTER: CAFCOFFICIAL** | **COLOURS: RED SHIRT WHITE SHORTS** | **GROUND: THE VALLEY** | **MANAGER: LEE BOWYER**

### WHO?

A Premier League side as recently as 2007, the Addicks have slowly filtered down the EFL pyramid, as this will be their third consecutive season in the third tier. They certainly have aspirations to be at least a level higher though, and it reflects in the history of the club, having spent more seasons in the Championship than any other tier (45).

### STADIUM - THE VALLEY

Home to Charlton since 1919, The Valley was renovated in 1991, before having its stands rebuilt over a number of the following years. With a capacity of just over 27,000, the ground would have been the biggest in the division, were it not for Sunderland and the Stadium of Light dwarfing every other stadium in the division. Their record attendance came back in 1938, when they took on Aston Villa in the FA Cup fifth round. Just 75,031 crammed in. Since they've become an all-seater ground, they've filled every seat in the ground on a number of occasions.

### HAVEN'T WE MET BEFORE?

The Hatters played the Addicks earlier on in the campaign at Kenilworth Road, being held to a 2-2 draw with goals from James Collins and Harry

Cornick looking as if they had sealed an impressive three points, only for Lee Bowyer's team to equalise late on. Of our 72 meetings, Town have been victorious in 33, drawing 15 and losing 24.

### RESULTS SO FAR

All but certain of a play-off place, Charlton would need to choke big time for them to miss out. Good against the teams in the top six, they have a big fight on their hands to secure a spot in the automatic promotion spots though. With 70 points from 39 games, their league position of sixth has been massively helped by brilliant home form; just two defeats and 13 wins has seen The Valley become a bit of a fortress. 2019 has been a good year for the Addicks, with just one defeat suffered so far, winning four of their last six games.

### KNOWING ME, KNOWING YOU

Fairly long list for this one, but of the current players there's just the one – Alan McCormack, who played for the Addicks between 2010-11. Matthew Spring, Joe Pigott, Kevin Foley, Danny Green, Dean Kiely, Kim Grant and slightly more recently, Jordan Cook, have all pulled a shirt on for both teams at some point in their careers.

# TICKETS

TICKET OFFICE, THE STADIUM | THE MALL | 01582 416976 | WWW.ETICKETING.CO.UK/LUTONTOWN



## CHARLTON ATHLETIC

SKY BET LEAGUE ONE | 3PM | SATURDAY 13TH APRIL

Tickets for this away game have now sold out.



## BURTON ALBION

SKY BET LEAGUE ONE | 3PM | SATURDAY 27TH APRIL

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



## ACCRINGTON STANLEY

SKY BET LEAGUE ONE | 5.30PM | SATURDAY 20TH APRIL

The Hatters have received a full allocation of 2,125 tickets – 1,550 terrace spaces and 575 seats – for our fixture at the Wham Stadium on Saturday 20th April. Season ticket holders are currently able to purchase one ticket per person. These will be released for sale online using your individual client reference numbers and also via phone or in person from the Ticket Office. These will remain on sale until close of business on Thursday 11th April. Any remaining tickets will be available from Friday 12th April online, by phone and in person. They will remain on sale until 2pm on Thursday 18th April, subject to availability. **Prices:** Adult: £20, 65+: £15, Students: £15, 12-17 years: £10, Under-12s: £5 Ambulant and wheelchair tickets are available at age related price with a carer free of charge if required. Car Parking can be pre booked at £5 per car on 01254 356950.



## BEDFORDSHIRE FA REP SIDE v ENGLAND C

125TH ANNIVERSARY FRIENDLY | 7.30PM  
TUESDAY 9TH APRIL

The Beds FA say: 'Bedfordshire FA invites you to a special celebratory game at the home of football in this wonderful county. 2019 marks 125 years of Bedfordshire FA and it's incredible how much history we have to shout about. From lame horses delaying games to goalkeepers trying to keep warm and snapping the cross bar, we have been digging through years of notes and meeting minutes to pull out the very best of the past 125 years. Jon Reed has selected our team to take on an England C team; having won both cup finals he has taken charge of at Kenilworth Road previously. Jon was also the manager of our last Bedfordshire FA U18 representative team to win the FA County Youth Cup in 2013. Tickets can be purchased online via our social media platforms or on the door. **Prices:** £5 entry, £1 concession



## AFC WIMBLEDON

SKY BET LEAGUE ONE | 7.45PM | TUESDAY 23RD APRIL

Tickets in home sections for this game have now sold out.

[SIMON PITTS]



# HOLD THE BACK PAGE

BY SIMON 'STATTO' PITTS,  
IFOLLOW HATTERS COMMENTATOR

**My article today is all about records, and I don't mean those that highlight 'There's No-One Quite Like Grandma' by St Winifred's School Choir was number one in the charts the last time the Hatters won a League match at Bristol Rovers!**

**It was certainly good to put an end to that particular 38-year-old record last weekend!**

You've no doubt seen the stats already that the victory last Saturday equalled a couple of club records, firstly the 27-match unbeaten league run (which covered the whole of Greenwich Mean Time!) and also the 13-match unbeaten away run in all competitions.

## Landmark

The latter is a record that is only just over a year old whereas the unbeaten League run dates back to our Conference winning season of 2013/14.

Last Saturday was also a landmark appearance for Pelly-Ruddock Mpanzu who, having joined Luton Town from West Ham back in November 2013, made his 200th appearance for the club, putting him joint 68th (with Scott Oakes) in the all-time appearance table for the Hatters.

His debut came in a 0-0 draw at Staines in the FA Trophy, where there was an attendance of just 621. The replay saw just 911 fans at Kenilworth Road; we're expecting more than ten times that crowd this afternoon!

Pelly went on to make 21 appearances in the Conference winning side with two goals during that season. His first came in the 7-0 demolition of Hereford on 15th February 2014, and his second a cracking strike to level the scores at Dartford on 1st April.

The 100th appearance of his Luton Town career came on 14th February 2017 in a 3-0 victory over Hartlepool at Kenilworth Road, and just over a year later it was 150 appearances with a 3-0 win at Yeovil.

Adding to those 21 Conference appearances, Pelly has 147 Football League appearances; he's featured 30 times in various Cup competitions and also the two 2016/17 play-off matches against today's opponents Blackpool.

Pelly has now scored 12 goals for the Hatters, including one versus Crewe last season that is up for the 2018 goal of the year award.

## Impressive

This season has been his best return for goals scoring three so far in the victories at AFC Wimbledon and Fleetwood, and then in the 4-0 win against Doncaster Rovers at Kenilworth Road last month.

From those 12 games when Pelly has scored it's been an impressive 11 wins and a draw (1-1 v Bury on 19 August 2014) for the Hatters.

Congratulations to our current longest serving player on reaching 200 appearances and for two promotions with Luton Town; here's hoping a record third promotion with the Hatters isn't too far away now!

Enjoy the match – COYH!





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# TEAMS



Manager: MICK HARFORD

- 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
- 12 Alex BAPTISTE
- 14 Harry CORNICK
- 16 Glen REA
- 17 Pelly-Ruddock MPANZU
- 18 Aaron CONNOLLY
- 19 James COLLINS
- 20 George MONCUR
- 23 Jason CUMMINGS
- 24 George THORNE
- 25 Kazenga LUALUA
- 35 Arthur READ
- 36 James SHEA
- 40 Harry ISTED
- 44 Alan SHEEHAN

Manager: TERRY McPHILLIPS

- 1 Mark HOWARD
- 2 Donervon DANIELS
- 3 Nick ANDERTON
- 4 Jimmy RYAN
- 5 Antony EVANS
- 6 Ben HENEGHAN
- 7 Nathan DELFOUNESO
- 8 Jay SPEARING
- 9 Mark CULLEN
- 10 Max CLAYTON
- 11 Joe DODOO
- 12 Michael NOTTINGHAM
- 13 Myles BONEY
- 14 Harry PRITCHARD
- 15 Jordan THOMPSON
- 16 Curtis TILT
- 17 Matty VIRTUE
- 18 John O'SULLIVAN
- 19 Chris TAYLOR
- 20 Ollie TURTON
- 21 Armand GNANDUILLET
- 23 Nya KIRBY
- 24 Liam FEENEY
- 25 Callum GUY
- 27 Marc BOLA
- 28 Jack SIMS
- 29 Fin SINCLAIR-SMITH
- 31 Chris LONG
- 33 Yusifu CEESAY
- 34 Nathan SHAW
- 37 Christoffer MAFOUMBI

## MATCH OFFICIALS



LEE COLLINS



JUSTIN AMEY



CARL FITCH-JACKSON



STEPHEN BROWN

## NEXT HOME GAME:

**AFC WIMBLEDON**

(SKY BET LEAGUE ONE)

**Tue 23rd April 2019 | KO: 7.45pm**