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GRAEME JONES

Good evening and welcome back to Kenilworth Road for the third time in 12 days as we host my first club as a player, Millwall, for tonight's Sky Bet Championship fixture.

The games come thick and fast in this division and it's hard to believe that it's exactly two months since we last had the Sky Sports cameras here for that season opener against Middlesbrough.

If they get half of the excitement and free-flowing football they broadcast that night, viewers will be in for a treat – but we know that Millwall will pose a very different, yet equally as tough a test as it was in that 3-3 draw on August 2nd.

Millwall will always have a place in my heart as it was the first time I'd been away from home, after being scouted and lured to the Lions' Den for an apprenticeship.

I learned a hell of a lot at the old Den and although I was released at 18, it was the best thing that could happen to me as I went home to the north-east and played Non-League football for a few years before coming back to play against Millwall – and score in two successive seasons – at the New Den as a pro.

I welcome everyone from south-east London to Kenilworth Road tonight, including manager Neil Harris who was a terrific player for Millwall after coming through the Non-League game himself.

There is very little between the two teams at kick-off, with only goal difference seeing ourselves a place above them on ten points from the first nine matches. That was helped by our best performance of the season so far at Blackburn on Saturday.

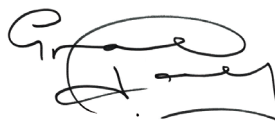
We went to a Premier League ground against a club with a great history, playing against former champions of England for the second game in a row, and we took aspects of the previous match against Leicester and put them to good effect.

Blackburn are the best Championship team we've played so far. They can hurt you from so many different areas and in so many different ways, so to record our second away league victory of the season – and third overall including Cardiff in the Carabao Cup – was very satisfying.

That guarantees us nothing for tonight, when we have a different style to plan for with Millwall. It will be a totally different environment here at home, under the lights, so we have to be ready for whatever comes our way.

We'll need every home fan behind us again, and I thank every single one of you who travelled to Blackburn. All we could hear was our supporters, despite being tucked away high in the top corner of the stand. You were a significant part of our victory.

Enjoy tonight's game and COYH!



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STEPHEN BROWNE



Good evening everyone and welcome to a classic encounter under the lights at Kenilworth Road.

Tonight we welcome Neil Harris and his Millwall

team. Just like ourselves, Millwall know this is an extremely tough league and so every point counts and will be vital come May 2020. We also welcome the Millwall fans who will give their team loud vocal support I am sure. Like us, Millwall have accumulated ten points so far and they will be keen to add to that tally.

Talking of points, every win is massive and after our first nine games we are quite pleased with where we are and the progress made. We all feel that games have mostly been very close and that there were some more points up for grabs, but we know this league is unforgiving, we are all learning, and each week we do better. We know the high standards required and we know we can achieve them.

There is definitely a momentum that the results don't show, and already this season so much has been achieved.

Not only has Collo got off to a great goal scoring start, but he has also bagged an international goal – just one of many players who are working hard to improve every day and rise to the challenges that you encounter at the very top of sport.

As improvements come and milestones are passed, confidence rises and momentum improves. It is wonderful to see people throughout the Club that are now truly 'Championship' level and can now concentrate on building upon that achievement.

I recommend that you watch Graeme's post-match interviews because he says far more eloquently than I how committed and enthusiastic the players are to be successes in the world's fifth biggest league. Professionalism, determination, effort, and morale are all excellent wherever you look. We all feel the future looks good – very tough and not to be underestimated, but good.

On top of this, momentum has been gained by the fact we are entering the final straight of the planning process. The Section 106 agreements for both Newlands Park and Power Court have been agreed and signed so now we wait until 5 November 2019 to see if there are any objections. If not, we are free to start. That is incredibly exciting for everyone at the club.

We have also completely restructured the management teams both on and off the pitch and introduced skills and knowledge that previously we have been unable to attract or afford. This gives new insight into how we do things, and that helps players and staff continually improve and develop for the good of the Club.

Last week we also opened our new town centre shop (see picture opposite and pages 14-15) ensuring we keep our presence across the whole of Luton. We also have plans to extend the training and academy facilities to achieve EPPP2 standard. These plans are advanced so as they develop further there will be an even bigger spring in everyone's step.

Since Sir John Still turned things around on the pitch, we have been blessed as a Club with momentum both on and off the pitch, and that is such an important thing it should not be underestimated. The steps we take may sometimes be small, but we work hard to ensure they are always forward. We ensure that the vision we all have for our Club as supporters, players,



HATTERS HEAD OF RETAIL SIOBHAN KOS-HODGE AND CEO GARY SWEET OPEN THE NEW TOWN CENTRE CLUB SHOP IN PARK STREET LAST WEEK

staff, and custodians is always one step closer at the end of every day.

Of course we get things wrong both on and off the pitch, both 'on the scene' and behind the scenes, but the important thing is we always learn from any mistakes and we move forward with a plan, together.

Over recent weeks I've had a surprising number of fans of others clubs talk to me and ask what the secret of our success is. How have we come so far, largely under the radar? Near bankruptcy before non-league obscurity and now we are on the verge of huge things – what's the special ingredient?

To me it's simple and always has been. As Sir Still said 'The stronger the team, the stronger the team'. Sounds simple doesn't it? It's amazing how few people get this simple concept – people who should know better. There is no one secret ingredient – it is the whole recipe that matters.

You cannot take one of our team in isolation and expect to replicate what we do elsewhere. In fact, you can't take half a dozen and repeat what is being done at Luton Town. It only

works because we ALL play a part and we ALL help each other to be successful. From the stands you push on Pelly and Harry; the Academy coaches the 'Luton Way' to boys and girls from the off; our property people understand the challenges of sporting facilities listen to what we want to achieve; staff are fans and continually seek to improve the experience....it's not simply a traditional Chairman/Owner calling the shots or one player that's indispensable, or one competitive advantage we could easily lose.

A lot of cogs make up this wonderful wheel and anyone that thinks they can pluck out one of those cogs, just one thing or one person, and replicate what it's taken us years to do is quite simply, deluded. Indeed, anyone who offered any individual a pot of gold in return for our Club's soul would be wasting their money and in doing so would have their sanity questioned.

So when I hear people say 'I did this' and 'It was me that did that', then I roll my eyes. Maybe some people feel the need to justify their actions or boost their own ego or write their own PR or produce their own version of history.

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But it's a shame when individuals try and take credit for what the whole group is being lauded for, because that just ignores the actions and efforts of others. The whole group achieves, the whole team strives, the Luton family support each other to reach their goals (no pun intended). Nothing at Luton Town is about one person and never will be.

I watched as JJ's mum video'd him leaving the pitch after the Carabao Cup game, with tears in her eyes. She knows her son is loved by all at Luton and she knows he has worked so hard to get to the fabulous place he is now – but she also knew and thanked a whole range of people because none of it would have happened without all at Luton Town playing their individual parts. In addition to the fantastic effort put in by JJ himself, academy coaches did their bit, fellow pros gave a guiding hand, his parents and the board and the first team staff managed his progress over the years, through to fans giving him positive help and support throughout. Every cog in the wheel can be proud of their part in JJ's rise.

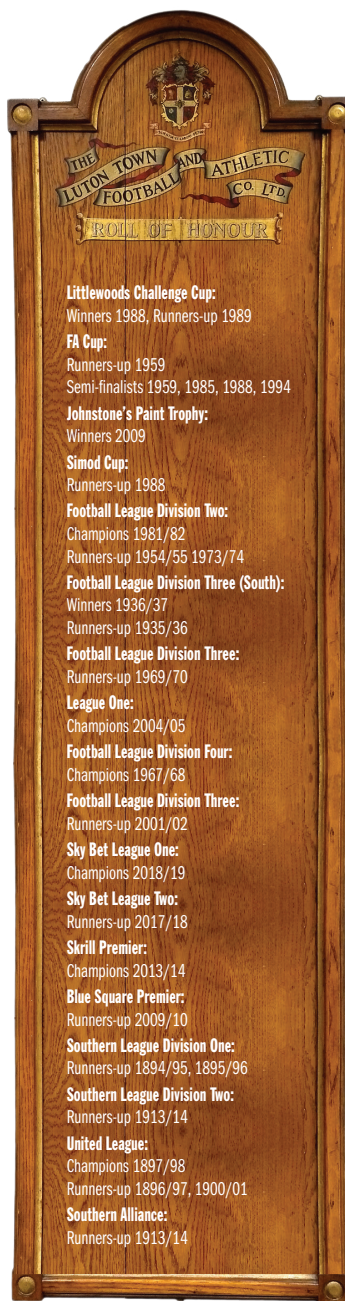
People that understand the Luton Way would never use the word 'I' or 'me'. And that's why they are in the Luton Family.

More importantly, that's why so very few teams in the leagues understand us and what we have done and will continue to do. All too often self-interest is the focus in football.

The secret of our success? The strongest team. Club first, individual gain forgotten. Indivisible soul.

That's why we are anathema to other supporters – do their clubs, management, players, and owners have that culture, or have a chance to build it? I'd say there are not many at all and that is why what we have is special....and momentum continues to grow.

Enjoy the game, we know every point is precious, so sing your hearts out!





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INTERNATIONAL CALL-UPS

Hatters duo James Collins and Simon Sluga have been selected for their countries' upcoming Euro 2020 qualifiers.

Collins will join up with the Republic of Ireland squad for games in Georgia and Switzerland on Saturday 12th and Tuesday 15th October. Goalkeeper Sluga is in the Croatia squad to face Hungary in Split on Thursday 10th and Wales in Cardiff on Sunday 13th October.

We wish both players every success on their travels following Saturday's trip to Derby.

FOREST GAME GOES GLOBAL

The Hatters' Sky Bet Championship match against Nottingham Forest on Saturday 2nd November will not be broadcast live on iFollow Hatters due to it being selected for live overseas broadcast.

There will not be a change to the date or kick-off time for this fixture.

Supporters who aren't attending the game will still be able to tune into Simon Pitts' full match commentary of the game on the iFollow service.

ANNE GODFREY 28TH MAY 1935 – 15TH AUGUST 2019

The sad news has reached Kenilworth Road of the passing of long-standing supporter Anne Godfrey at the age of 84.

Anne was steeped in Luton Town tradition from birth as her father was club secretary Archie Wickson, and she lived in a club house in Kenilworth Road where her mother prepared food for the players using a generous supply of ration books.

She recalled regularly waking up in the morning to find different Luton Town players in the house who lodged there until finding their own accommodation, and was often read bedtime stories by ex-England and Arsenal full-back Eddie Hapgood, who guested for the Hatters during the War. Family holidays invariably involved her father taking detours to carry out scouting work.

All through a subsequent teaching career and the raising of three children, Anne remained a regular supporter and retained an intense interest in everything happening at Kenilworth Road.

Our condolences go out to Anne's children, Jane, Philip and Tim, her five grandchildren and six great grandchildren, as well as the rest of her family and friends.

By Roger Wash



DAVID 'CHAZ' CHARLES

David 'Chaz' Charles, a lifelong supporter and a season ticket holder until recently, passed away on 5th September 2019.

He travelled home and away to watch his beloved Luton, including many memorable occasions at Wembley. Other highlights included meeting managers, coaches and players over the years.

He attended various events at Kenilworth Road, and also had the pleasure to play on the 'plastic pitch' twice with his veteran football team (Noddy's All Stars) in the late 1980s. He will be deeply missed by all his family and friends.



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NEW CLUB SHOP OPEN FOR BUSINESS!

Special guests attended the grand opening of the Hatters' new town centre club shop in Park Street before it opened for business last weekend.

Club officials and staff, local businesses who have helped on the relocation project and friends of the club – including charity of the year Signposts and champion boxers Kay Prosper and Linus Udofo – were present at the new premises on Thursday night.

The new shop offers a large merchandising space, retail specific storage solutions, a dedicated area for the club's ecommerce fulfilment and office space for the retail support team, who have all worked tirelessly in recent weeks – along with site and facilities manager Peter Kemp – to get the shop ready for opening after leaving the Mall last week.

Hatters head of retail Siobhan Kos-Hodge said: "Having a blank canvas to allow us to create a shopping environment our fans can be proud of has been an exciting project. Using Kenilworth Road as our inspiration, we have looked to make subtle and not so subtle nods to our home.

"Most obvious is our replica dugout with a crowd backdrop. The wall behind the counter is the same stone as we use in the board room, the changing room is the same style and wording as the players' dressing room and the shop sign is inspired by that in main reception at the club. All of this detail is to ensure the fans feels like they are home from home when visiting us."

Fans can visit the store to have a photo taken in the home dugout, where they can sit and recharge their own batteries as well as their phones.

A PlayStation game POD has FIFA20 installed to keep shoppers entertained, while there is a Luton Town gin sourced from a local distillery on offer for adults alongside all the club and Puma merchandise, with information boards explaining the kit selection and design process.

The shop opened on Saturday morning, with a special sensory hour for supporters who live with autism and other disabilities preceding that at 9am, when guests were able to browse and purchase without crowds, with TV screens turned off and background noise reduced.



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► **ROOM MATE?**

Tunni.

► **CAR SCHOOL?**

Butts.

► **BEST DRESSED?**

Martin Cranie.

► **WORST DRESSED?**

Tunni.

► **ALWAYS ON THE PHONE?**

Bree.

► **LAST TO BUY A DRINK?**

I haven't been for a pint with the boys yet, so I don't know!

► **BEST AT FIFA?**

I don't play FIFA!

► **POOL CHAMPION?**

I don't play pool either!

► **FUNNIEST?**

Sheez and Cranes are funny.

► **LOUDEST?**

Pelly, definitely.

► **MOST SENSIBLE?**

Luke Bolton.

► **HAVING HIMSELF?**

Lloyd.

► **WORST HAIR?**

Glen Rea.

► **WORST TRAINER?**

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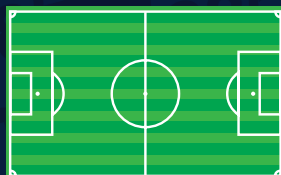
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MANAGER:
NEIL HARRIS



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MILES FROM
KENILWORTH
ROAD: 39

SEASONS IN
CHAMP:
THREE

AVR. HOME
ATT. 18/19:
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POSSESSION

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KEEP AN EYE ON...

JED WALLACE

Jed Wallace joined Millwall on a permanent deal from Wolves in 2017 after two previous loan spells with the club.

Ever since, the 25-year-old has been a regular in the Millwall team and last season scored five goals and made five assists in all competitions, helping the Lions avoid relegation and reach the quarter-final of the FA Cup.

Predominately playing out wide on the right, Reading-born Wallace – who came through the ranks at Portsmouth – can also play through the middle as an attacking midfielder.

This term, he already has two goals to his name and is one of many attacking threats Millwall have in their ranks.

Compiled by Dan Briard



THE MANAGER

NEIL HARRIS

After three separate stints as caretaker manager, Neil Harris was appointed as the Lions' permanent boss in April 2015, but couldn't do anything to stop Millwall from being relegated from the Championship.

The following season his side lost in the League One Play-Off final but in 2016/17, after finishing sixth, Millwall and Harris went one better and defeated Bradford City at Wembley to return to the Championship.

His success as a Millwall player – the club's all-time record goalscorer with 138 in all comps – has made him extremely popular with the fan base, even more so now because of the stellar job he has done as manager.

PLAYERS GOALKEEPERS



#	NAME	AGE	NATIONALITY
01	FRANK FIELDING	31	ENGLAND
14	LUKE STEELE	35	ENGLAND
33	BARTOSZ BIALKOWSKI	32	POLAND

DEFENDERS

#	NAME	AGE	NATIONALITY
02	JASON MCCARTHY	23	ENGLAND
03	MURRAY WALLACE	26	SCOTLAND
04	SHAUN HUTCHINSON	28	ENGLAND
05	JAKE COOPER	24	ENGLAND
12	MAHLON ROMEO	24	ANTIGUA & BARBUDA
15	ALEX PEARCE	30	REPUBLIC OF IRELAND
17	JAMES BROWN	21	ENGLAND

MIDFIELDERS

#	NAME	AGE	NATIONALITY
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07	JED WALLACE	25	ENGLAND
08	BEN THOMPSON	27	ENGLAND
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16	JASON MOLUMBY	20	REPUBLIC OF IRELAND
18	RYAN LEONARD	27	ENGLAND
21	CONNOR MAHONEY	22	ENGLAND
26	JIRI SKALAK	27	CZECH REPUBLIC
42	BILLY MITCHELL	18	ENGLAND

FORWARDS

#	NAME	AGE	NATIONALITY
09	TOM BRADSHAW	27	WALES
10	MATT SMITH	30	ENGLAND
19	TOM ELLIOTT	28	ENGLAND
22	AIDEN O'BRIEN	25	REPUBLIC OF IRELAND
23	JON DADI BODVARSSON	27	ICELAND

MILLWALL

ON THE



**BARTOSZ
BIALKOWSKI**



**JAKE
COOPER**

Position: GOALKEEPER

Nationality: Poland

DOB: 06/07/87

Height: 6ft 4in

Previous Club: Ipswich Town

2019/20 League Appearances: 9

2019/20 Clean Sheets: 2

Position: DEFENDER

Nationality: England

DOB: 03/02/95

Height: 6ft 5in

Previous Club: Reading

2019/20 League Appearances: 9

2019/20 Goals: 0

Bialkowski joined Millwall on loan this summer from Ipswich Town and has played in all nine games in the Championship so far.

Having played 28 times in the same league last season, Millwall knew they were getting an experienced pair of hands between the sticks and the Polish shot-stopper has proved good value for the Lions thus far.

He has been playing football in England since 2006 when he joined Southampton from Gornik Zabrze in his native Poland.

After spells with Barnsley, Ipswich and Notts County, the once-capped international now finds himself as Lions No.1.

Jake Cooper signed a loan-term contract at the Den in July 2017 after impressing on loan from Reading and helping the Lions on their way to League One Play-Off final victory.

Since then, the 24-year-old has become one of Harris' star men, as he played every minute of the 2018/19 Sky Bet Championship campaign, netting six goals and providing six assists from the centre of defence.

Cooper's performances were so impressive that they landed him a new contract at the club in December.

The Ascot-born defender has carried on from where he left off last season, playing every minute for Millwall so far once again.

RADAR



**CONNOR
MAHONEY**

Position: MIDFIELDER
Nationality: England
DOB: 12/02/97
Height: 5ft 7in
Previous Club: Bournemouth
2019/20 League Appearances: 9
2019/20 Goals: 0

Mahoney joined Millwall this summer after arriving on a permanent deal from Premier League outfit Bournemouth.

His football career started with his boyhood club Blackburn Rovers, for whom he made his senior debut in 2013, aged just 16. After making 21 appearances, he left for the Cherries in 2017 but mainly spent his time out on loan in separate spells with Barnsley and Birmingham City.

The 22-year-old is adept on either flank and has featured in all of Millwall's Championship fixtures so far.

Mahoney has represented England at various youth levels and most recently played for England U20s in 2017.



**MATT
SMITH**

Position: STRIKER
Nationality: England
DOB: 07/06/89
Height: 6ft 6in
Previous Club: QPR
2019/20 League Appearances: 9
2019/20 Goals: 3

Smith joined Millwall in July 2019 from Queens Park Rangers after scoring eight goals in all competitions last season.

The 30-year-old made over 100 appearances for the Hoops and scored 23 goals in a spell that lasted two years, before he made the switch across London to Millwall this summer.

The commanding 6ft 6in centre-forward has enjoyed a successful start to life in a Lions shirt, having scored twice and assisted a further two goals so far.

In recent years, Smith has spent time with Leeds United, Fulham, Bristol City and QPR after starting in Non-League before Oldham signed him in 2011.

MILLWALL

CLASSIC CLASH

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

20.04.1974 | **LUTON TOWN 3** **MILLWALL 0** | DIVISION TWO

The 1973/74 campaign was a strange one as, apart from Middlesbrough who walked away with the League, the chasing pack – which included the Hatters – were mightily inconsistent and could rarely string a run of victories together.

By Easter, the Town were sitting in second spot, and the three games to be played over the holiday period would doubtless have a major impact on their promotion aspirations as they sought to become the first side to slide down through all four divisions, and then climb all the way back again.

Even though Easter had often proved to be a graveyard of hopes for Luton Town teams in the past, thousands of Hatters fans made the short trip to the Manor Ground, Oxford on Good Friday to boost the attendance to a best of the season 13,464. But in a jaded display against struggling opposition, a single point was the only reward in a 1-1 draw.

The Town's goal was a rather scrappy effort from Jim Ryan, which summed up an untidy game.

The following day the Town travelled to Sheffield Wednesday to take on another side struggling for points at the wrong end of the table. The resulting 2-2 draw, with the Hatters coming back from two goals down, was seen as yet another point lost, especially as the Owls had been beaten in two of their previous three home games.

Unfortunately, the worst was still to come as, in the return against Oxford at Kenilworth Road on Easter Tuesday, a crowd

of 16,353 watched as the away side stole an early lead and then sat on it.

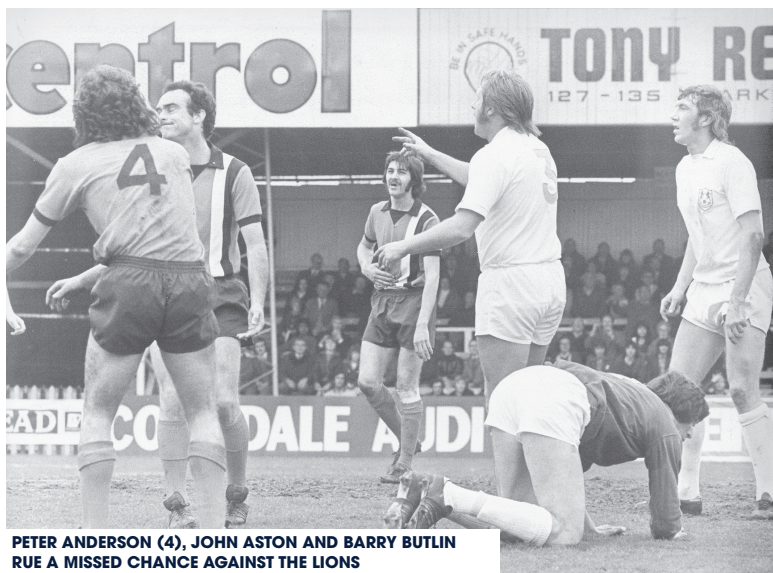
The Town were predictable in their sole tactic of thumping a high ball up to striker Barry Butlin and with a tall Oxford defence, dominated by the blond head of Dave Roberts, soaking up everything with ease, frustration set in both on the field and off it.

Oxford goalkeeper Roy Burton was in inspired form, as he had been on Good Friday, but although he and his defenders rode their luck at times, the win was fully merited and left the Town with a mountain to climb.

On paper we now had to win our three remaining games to be sure of promotion, starting with a home clash against Millwall the following Saturday. In preparation, manager Harry Haslam and the team spent four hours studying the Oxford defeat on the club's newly acquired video recording system, which had set the club back an astronomical £1,000!

We had already played the Lions twice that season with honours even. In the League Cup we had suffered a defeat in a fourth round tie at the Den, putting in a tepid performance in a midweek game played in the afternoon because of the 'three day week' and the resultant power cuts.

Revenge had been gained, however, when the Town returned to the Den a couple of weeks later and won both points courtesy of Butlin, making a welcome return to the forward line after a month out with a broken jaw, netting a trademark header for a 1-0 victory.



PETER ANDERSON (4), JOHN ASTON AND BARRY BUTLIN RUE A MISSED CHANCE AGAINST THE LIONS

As it turned out, Millwall caught the full backlash of the Town's sorry Easter and were beaten in every department with a 3-0 victory just reward for a vintage display of relentless football.

The Millwall defence was torn apart by man-of-the-match Peter Anderson, later to play for and manage the Lions, who dictated the pace of the game from midfield.

In the eighth minute he won a corner conceded by the Lions' Barry Kitchener, and centre-half John Faulkner headed home the flag kick.

Anderson himself lobbed a clever second a few minutes later and the game was as good as over.

Second Division top scorer Alf Wood who always seemed to play well against the Town was blotted out by Faulkner with the result that Luton goalkeeper Graham Horn enjoyed an easy afternoon.

The goalscoring was completed midway through the second half when substitute Gordon Hindson ran through from the halfway line in a solo run with the Millwall defenders appealing for offside, before slotting the ball under keeper Bryan King.

The scoreline did not fully reflect the run of play, with Alan West, another player later to join the Lions, unlucky with efforts that could have earned him a hat-trick.

When the results came through from other games affecting the top of the table, it quickly became apparent that a good day had become great with everything going our way. It was soon worked out that only one point would be enough to secure promotion back to the top flight.

Haslam, however, refused to believe that he had crowned his second season as a League manager by winning promotion.

"We are not celebrating yet, let's get the point first," said the manager afterwards, but then added, "I thought the lads did just about everything right today."

The all-important point was gained the following week at West Bromwich, leaving Easter behind as a distant memory.



HORN
JOHN RYAN
THOMSON
ANDERSON
FAULKNER
GARNER
JIM RYAN
HUSBAND
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THE LAST TIME THE LIONS CAME TO TOWN

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TOWN

KING, O'DONNELL, SENIOR, FAMEWO, MUSONDA, BAKINSON (HINDS), GRAY (READ), SMITH, MCQUOID, MACKAIL-SMITH (BANTON), VASSELL

MILLWALL

KING, CUMMINGS, MARTIN, HUTCHINSON (CRAIG), WORRALL (TWARDEK), WYLDE, BUTCHER, O'BRIEN (ONYEDINMA), SMITH, ROONEY, FARRELL



AKIN FAMEWO CAUSES HAVOC IN THE LIONS DEFENCE

The Town were in the dog-house for openly flouting the rules in this, the first season of the Checkatrade Trophy.

The format rules stated that each side should include a minimum of five 'first team' players in the starting XI, but in each of their first two group games the Hatters had completely changed their team from the previous League game so as to give some of their promising youth players a chance on the big stage.

The Town now faced a fine but having won both games, they were completely vindicated with their stance and were probably causing an embarrassment to the authorities. The final group game against Millwall was almost a 'dead rubber' as both teams had already qualified for the next stage.

With identical records, even down to goals scored and conceded, the prize for winning was being drawn at home in the next round, so there was still a little something to play for.

The Town made 11 changes to the side that beat Exeter in the FA Cup the previous weekend, while the Lions made do with nine alterations.

As in the previous group games, the Town's youngsters attacked with purpose from the start with Isaac Vassell, Josh McQuoid and Jonathan Smith all going close in an entertaining first half.

In the second period the Hatters broke the deadlock on 57 minutes when Craig Mackail-Smith's low cross was turned into his own net by Lions skipper Shaun Hutchinson.

The introduction of Millwall substitute Fred Onyedima soon after proved a master stroke, however, as his pace and movement unsettled the young Luton defence and effectively turned the game.

Onyedima levelled the tie on 62 minutes, before being involved when Harry Smith netted twice in the final ten minutes to give the scoreline a slightly flattering look.

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Club Historian **ROGER WASH** picks out eight programme covers from past games with our opponents

COVERED!



NOVEMBER 1936

Third v first at the top of Division Three (South) with a Den crowd of 32,269 seeing Joe Payne and Fred Roberts score the goals to secure a 2-0 victory for the Town. Payne had now scored in six games in a row.



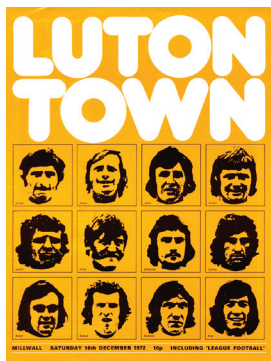
SEPTEMBER 1946

A 6.15 evening kick-off sees the Hatters bounce back from two away defeats to win 3-0. Prolific goalscorer Hugh Billington weighs in with two.



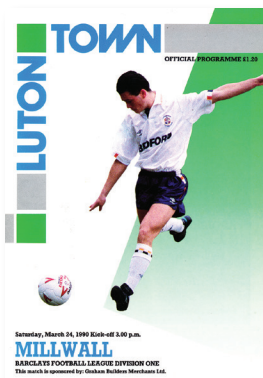
SEPTEMBER 1969

Following a 2-2 draw at Kenilworth Road, a fluke effort by Keith Allen from 50 yards settles this League Cup second round replay in extra time.



DECEMBER 1972

After almost three years away behind bars, mercurial winger Graham French returns to the Town side and scores to put the Town 2-0 up. The Lions, however, spoil the party by scoring twice in reply.



MARCH 1990

A top flight clash between two struggling teams sees the Hatters edge through 2-1. An own goal from Millwall's Mick McCarthy starts the goalscoring.



OCTOBER 1977

Four minutes from the end of a scoreless battle against the Lions at Kenilworth Road, the referee awards the Town a penalty but then changes his mind and gives a free-kick on the edge of the area. The ball is touched by Alan West to Paul Price who hammers it home. Justice is served!

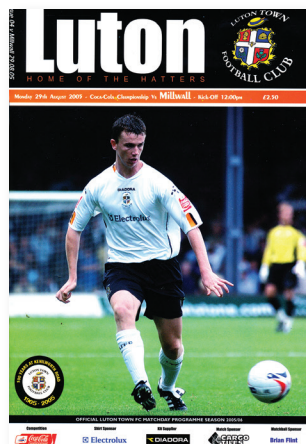


DECEMBER 1997

Despite languishing at the wrong end of the table the Town have not lost away for three months. Goals from Steve Davis and Tony Thorpe, both in the final minute secure the 2-0 win to keep the record going.

AUGUST 2005

The Hatters cement a solid start to life back in the Championship with a 2-1 victory over the Lions. Curtis Davies nets the winner in his last game before a big money move to West Brom.



Three men are standing side-by-side, wearing blue football kits. The man in the center is slightly in front of the other two. All three kits feature the 'sky bet' logo on the left chest and a 'TOOLS' crest on the right chest. The central kit also features a large white double-headed arrow with a jagged line through it on the front. The background is a solid light blue.

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A photograph of Ryan Tunncliffe, a young man with short brown hair, smiling and leaning forward. He is wearing an orange and white Liverpool football kit. The background is a blurred locker room with wooden lockers and hanging clothes.

RYAN TUNNICLIFFE

CENTRE SPOT

Midfielder Ryan Tunncliffe is the latest Hatter to answer the fans' questions put to him on the club's social media channels ahead of the visit of his former club Millwall this evening... >>>

🐦 @ZarBeck26 Growing up, which player did you idolise and which team did you support?

I supported United, obviously, and on the contrary to that Steven Gerrard was my idol. He was an all-round midfielder, wasn't he? My type of angry – I was angry when I was younger! I loved him, even though he's a Scouser. When I was a bit older and braver, I shared it with the coaching staff at United, but when I was younger I kept it a secret.

🐦 @LTFC_Dave Gerrard or Lampard? (£10 fine if he takes the cheeky answer of Scholes)

I've got to take the fine – Scholesy, all day, every day. Easily! Growing up I idolised Gerrard because I used to see myself in him, because he'd run around and smash people, loved a tackle etc, while Scholes was a bit more technical and I wasn't very technical when I was younger. I was just an angry ex-rugby league player coming to play football.

Rugby was my first sport from the age of about five until nine, when I signed for United and they made me stop. I didn't have a set position in rugby, because it was just ten-a-side, but everyone would be in a line and they'd throw me the ball because I was faster than everyone. There was a guy on the street where I lived who was setting up a football team, Under-9s, and he'd seen me playing on the driveway and asked if I'd come down and play for them. I started playing football on a Saturday and rugby on a Sunday. I went to a tournament and some United scout spotted me and invited me to training. I started playing football in the September and I was playing for United by the January.

📷 lutonfanbible Who's the best player you've played alongside during your career?

I was in and around it while Scholes was still playing, then he retired and came back, but I'd already left by then. I went on tour in pre-season and he played on that. I played with him against Shanghai Shenhua, and it was the proudest moment of my life at the time. Every time I got the ball I just gave it to him, didn't care if he was stood next to me. It was a yard pass... 'have it'! He was sound, just one of the boys. Quiet, kept himself to himself and he's from an area not far from me, about ten minutes away, so we had that in common and I loved him.

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RYAN LEADS THE CELEBRATIONS AFTER LAST SATURDAY'S 2-1 WIN AT ONE OF HIS FORMER LOAN CLUBS, BLACKBURN



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I saw that pass in the Vincent Kompany testimonial a couple of weeks ago and he's still got it. Best player to ever play the game, I believe.

f Stuart Phillips At Siddal Moor Sports College were you the only academy player and did you play for the school team?

There was a young lad who played for City, and another in my year who played for Rochdale, but neither of them made it. I was the only one at United and the only one to have made it pro I think. Considering it was a sports college it didn't have a very good return!

When Man United signed you age 9, how did that happen and did they take you into the academy straight away?

The tournament where I got spotted was a pre-season one for my local team, Roach Dynamos. I chested the ball and scored from the halfway line, conveniently when the United scout was stood there. Apparently he wrote my name down and then came and watched me six or seven times after that, then after one of the games, I was taking my boots off in my dad's car and he came over and said 'Do you want to come down and train

with United?' I went on trial at The Cliff and trained with the lads who were already there, then two or three weeks later I signed on the dotted line and I was there up until I was 21 when they sold me, 12 years later.

@jakeblackwood Favourite moment so far in a Luton shirt?

Probably the Barnsley game. It's only a short career so far, but the travelling fans behind the net were good and to be 3-0 up at half-time was quite something. It was a great performance by the lads, and to have eight of us in the squad who had played for Barnsley previously, it was great. First win in the Championship as well, so it was a big moment.

@fin.fraser What's your opinion on the start to the season?

It's been a bit up and down really. A bit of luck here and there and we could be right up there towards the play-off places. They are big ifs, but I think the performances have been decent enough, but obviously the results not so great. Inconsistent is the word. I think we've acquitted ourselves quite well, we've not been played off the park by anyone. We've proved that we belong, now it's about getting results, picking up points and especially if you look at the games where we play well, it's probably for 60-minute periods and then we switch off for five, which has killed us recently. If we can get that five-minute period out of the game, then we should be all right.

f Jamie Fish Where do you see Luton in nine months' time?

Staying up. I don't see us getting relegated at all. I think we've been in every game and a bit of luck here and there, or don't switch off in periods of games, then we could be quite easily – and I don't think anyone will think I'm talking rubbish here – we could be sitting on 15-16 points, and everyone saying 'Flippin' ell, what a start' and looking upwards.

@wheatles18 Would you rather fight one Sonny Bradley sized duck, or 100 duck sized Sonny Bradleys?



ON AS A SUB FOR HIS UNITED DEBUT V NEWCASTLE



PAUL SCHOLES – THE “BEST PLAYER TO EVER PLAY THE GAME”, ACCORDING TO RYAN

It's got to be one Sonny Bradley sized duck, one on one. I've already tried having a fight with Sonny – about four years ago! We played in a behind closed doors friendly for Fulham against Crawley. He reminded me of this about three weeks ago. We had a bit of a to-do on the pitch. We didn't get to blows, obviously, but as soon as he said it, I remembered it. We were at each other's throats, but nothing came of it thankfully. It was stupid, we were both only young.

@OHJAMIE MANN Do you like gravy?

Obviously. That's a stupid question, isn't it? I'm northern, but everyone loves gravy, surely?

@active.aj4 How do you like your eggs?

I'm partial to a bit of a runny fried egg, get everything dipped in it.



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@SteveLTFC What's the best game in your career so far?

Most memorable would have to be my Man United debut against Newcastle at home in the Capital One Cup. I came on in the 77th minute and we won 2-1. It was most memorable because I was at the club for 12 years, Sir Alex was the manager and to play for the team you supported as a boy, the biggest club in the world at the time, was a proud moment. I was involved a couple of times before that, but it was the first realistic chance of coming on. When we went two nil up, I remember thinking I might get on, and then him shouting at me to get ready. I was 18, and it was all just a blur really, but I got a few minutes at right-back. I played at Chelsea in the next round, but my debut tops everything.

***Harry Cornick then enters the room and interrupts with a question of his own: What is your favourite tracksuit to wear into training?**

That nice towelly one, the little velvet number!

@SteveLTFC (Part 2) Now you're at Luton, are you liking it and who winds you up the most and why?

I'm loving it at Luton, and I'd have to say - he's not a wind-up merchant - but Matty Pearson really winds me up because he's a little rat as the fine master! That kind of stuff really winds me up, people trying to take my money off me, so I'd say him. I was only late once, thanks to the M25, but he likes to be sniffing about, waiting to collect the cash. Other than that, no-one really.

@LutonTownExile What do you think are the top three attributes required of a modern-day CDM? And CAM?

CDM is a lot different to CAM. Engine, because you need to get about the pitch in the engine room, as they call it, so you need to have the ability to run. I think you probably need to have good awareness, because you're in the middle so you need to know what's around you, what's behind you, what's at the side of you. If you've got the blinkers on you're not going to be much use to anyone. Desire and will-to-win are important too. You can make a great career out of those attributes. As an attacking midfielder you need to have the technical ability too, because if you're getting a ball fired into you off the likes of me, then you need to be able to control it to then play someone in, otherwise you're getting a kick up the backside off someone!



@comeonhatters Do you prefer playing at new or older style stadiums? And what's the best stadium you've played at (apart from KR of course)?

Old Trafford is the best. Easy answer! It's a tough one over new or old. Your old ones tend to have a bit more atmosphere. The futuristic new stadiums are nice, but I'd go for older ones because they are more atmospheric – nice and tight. Elland Road is another good one, QPR the other week. I'd sway towards the older ones. The Den at Millwall is an old one of the newer stadiums. It's not futuristic modern. It's your old terraces, two tiers, lots of abuse and it can be very atmospheric on the day. The fans were good with me. If you put everything in, and I think anyone who knows me knows that I do that, their fans are as passionate as can be. If you put the shirt on and give it your all for their club, then they are right behind you.

@x11lius What's the favourite goal you have scored?

My overhead kick last year for Millwall against Forest. I scored for Fulham against Bristol City, lovely move and lobbed the keeper from outside the box. But my overhead kick – not many of them get scored in a career, do they? So I've got to say the bicycle. And it as a 1-0 win – the decider!

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**RYAN ON THE BALL AGAINST BARNSELY,
HIS FAVOURITE HATTERS GAME SO FAR**

@liamrowlands94 Favourite pair of boots that you've owned?

Probably the ones I've got now. The white Nike ones.

@mattcollins73 Flashy boots or old school Puma King/Adidas World Cup?

Flashy boots. The more colour in them the more of a player you feel. Me personally, you look good, you feel good, you play good. I know the old school World Cups are comfortable, but I'd feel like a slow centre-back if I was wearing them – I wouldn't feel like I could control a ball!

Do you have any superstitions or rituals you do before each game?

I don't put my boots on until about 30 seconds before I go out to warm up, if you can class that as a superstition or ritual, but nothing else.

Favourite pre-match meal?

Probably a full English when I was younger, when I first went on loan to Peterborough, at 18, living on my own for the first time, I used to get bacon and egg and all that malarkey, which is no good for you but I didn't know any better. It used to be my favourite, but it's not acceptable these days so I'll have to say pasta.

@josh70013849 Who inspired you to become a professional footballer?

Nobody. I was a rugby player when I started – my mum Paula and dad Mick both played rugby – so that was my number one sport and I basically stumbled into football. No one person inspired me, because I didn't really want to do it.

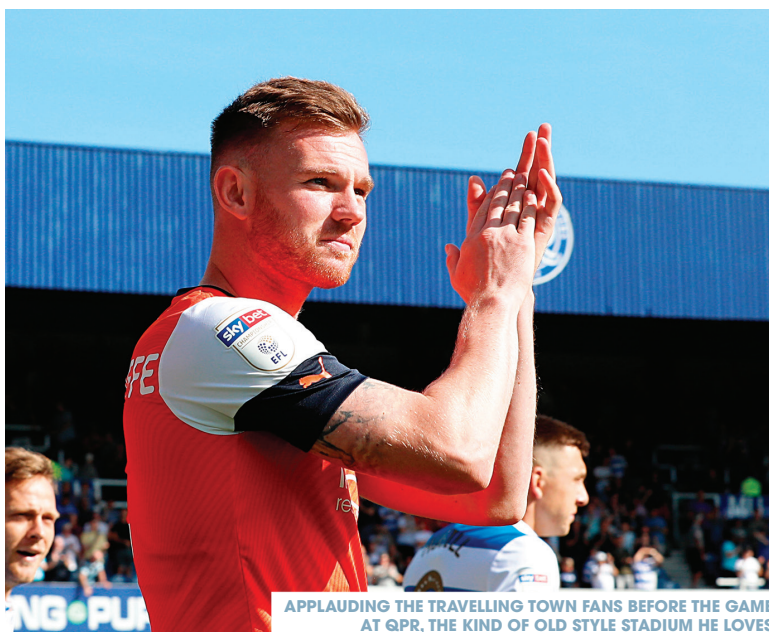
It's just that when you get to the point with United signing you, you think 'That's nice', and when you start going through the age groups, people start telling you you're good at it, and you start thinking 'I can make a career out of this', and you start dedicating yourself to it.

@john_coley3969 What's impressed you most since joining the club in the summer?

Probably the fans. You see the game against Leicester when we were 4-0 down, but they stayed until the end and stuck with us. There are a lot of clubs in the league that boo people for being 1-0 down at half-time, and stuff like that. Obviously they pay their money so they are entitled to their opinion, but against Hull as well, they all stayed and clapped us off. It was still a majority full stadium and that has stuck in my head.

@charlie_bunker_18 What do you think of our playing style?

I think it's playing football in the right way. Where I grew up it was keep the ball, pass and try and hurt teams. That's what the gaffer wants us to do here, keep possession and defend with the ball, and I enjoy it. We've conceded a few but



APPLAUDING THE TRAVELLING TOWN FANS BEFORE THE GAME AT QPR, THE KIND OF OLD STYLE STADIUM HE LOVES

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we've tightened up and I enjoy it being free-flowing, trying to score goals. If you speak to any footballer, they'd prefer to play in a team that keeps the ball because defending for 90 minutes is tough. Keeping the ball is massively important.

@joleapyear Who is your least favourite player to play against and why?

I played against Eden Hazard when I was at United and that was a torrid. He tore me apart at one point. I wasn't directly against him, but he chopped me twice – for one of their goals. I chased him all the way back, he chopped me, I got up and then he reversed the pass, chop, to one of their guys who scored. I'd like to give myself credit and say I kept up with him and would have blocked the shot if he'd shot. But he didn't. He's at Real Madrid now and he's some player, so I wouldn't like to play against him again.

@lewis_j_b Favourite away ground?

I would say Elland Road. Obviously, being a United fan we don't tend to get along with Leeds, and playing for Millwall, again, you don't tend to get on with the Leeds supporters. But going there, it's always full for their games. Going with Millwall was an experience but it's a good place to play at because it's some atmosphere.

@thomaslewis.7 What made you come to Luton?

Probably speaking to the gaffer. First of all he wanted me, which is always a bonus, and just sitting down talking to him – knowing his reputation – and everything he said to me made it pretty easy to sign.

@jade_heley What's your dream team?

To play for, it would be Real Madrid. Obviously I played for United – not for as long as I'd have liked to – but just watching Real the other night in the Champions League against PSG, there's just something about them. The all-white kit. The stadium. It's just a joke. isn't it? Such a good club – it would be the ultimate dream.

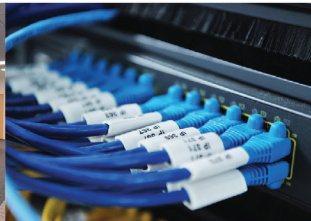




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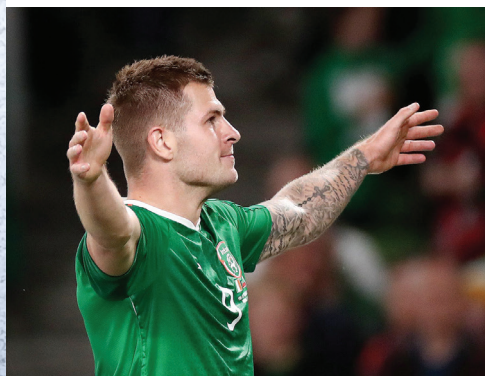
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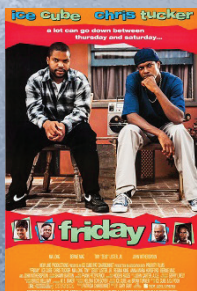
▼ GAME THAT YOU'VE PLAYED IN

Making my Ireland debut and scoring. It's got to be.



▲ GOAL?

It's hard to choose out of 160! Probably my one at the Emirates for Shrewsbury, it was in the League Cup.



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CB



CM



CM



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CB Paul Williams

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CM Mustapha Hadji

FW Dion Dublin

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STORY OF THE MATCH

The Hatters were knocked out of the Carabao Cup in the third round after being defeated by a Leicester City side sitting third in the Premier League.

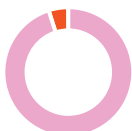
Demarai Gray opened the scoring just after the half-hour mark as he finished off a nice set-piece move from a corner.

Former Hatter James Justin doubled the visitors' lead with half-time looming as he was picked out by Yuri Tielemans to fire in from close range.

The Belgian international got on the scoresheet himself with ten minutes of the 90 to go as he converted from 10 yards out, before substitute Kelechi Iheanacho lobbed James Shea to round off the scoring.



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SHOTS OFF TARGET
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CORNERS
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FOULS
6 | 9



SAVES
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BLACKBURN LUTON TOWN

1
2

BLACKBURN GOAL: TRAVIS 37

TOWN GOALS: COLLINS 17, PEARSON 57



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🔥 The man who knows no limits. His 30th strike today in 48 Hatters appearances, since opening his account for last season with his goal against Charlton on September 29th last year. Wonder if he's good enough for League One? #COYH

JAMES COLLINS HEADS IN THE OPENER, HIS 50TH GOAL IN 102 HATTERS APPEARANCES

MATTY PEARSON NETS THE WINNER ON HIS FIRST RETURN TO HIS BOYHOOD CLUB



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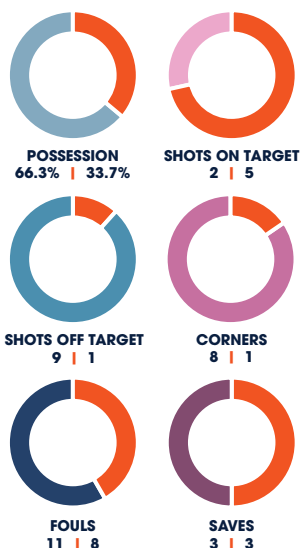
STORY OF THE MATCH

The Hatters picked up a brilliant three points as they beat Blackburn Rovers on their own turf in front of over 1,300 travelling supporters.

James Collins broke the deadlock after 17 minutes against the run of play, as Izzy Brown did fantastically well on the edge of the box before picking out the striker with a pin-point cross, with the striker able to head in at the back-stick.

Blackburn got back on level terms through Lewis Travis 20 minutes later, as he worked his way into the box and fired an unstoppable effort into the bottom left corner.

Former Rovers defender Matty Pearson – making his first return to Ewood Park since leaving as an 18-year-old – scored the all-important goal though as he nodded in from Brown's free-kick out on the right just before the hour-mark.





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MATTY'S MADE UP BY ROVERS RETURN!



MATCH REACTION By Dan Briard

Matty Pearson was 'made up' as the Hatters ended a run of four consecutive losses with a 2-1 victory away at Blackburn Rovers.

The centre-back scored the winning goal and helped Town claim their third win of the Championship campaign, but it was by no means an easy task.

"It was a typical away performance, we had to dig in at the end especially," Pearson said, after returning to Ewood Park, the ground where his professional career started before being released as a teenager. You heard their fans getting behind the team and towards the end, the last 20 minutes, it was backs to the wall, but that's probably how we got promoted last year. We played exactly like that, maybe not every game but definitely away from home, we tended to get the odd goal and we clung on and that's exactly what we want. I'm just made up."

Having secured a valuable three points, the 26-year-old insisted it would provide the changing room with a boost in confidence: "We needed that. I think we knew it was coming and I think if you watch the first half of the Hull game, we just needed to sustain the full 90 minutes, not just the 45 minutes. I think it has been coming, the wins are there and we just need to keep playing how we are and be more consistent."

Without a win in September prior to Blackburn, plenty of work was put in to make things right, Pearson said: "We hurt as much as the fans hurt and we don't just accept losing.

"We know Hull was the last thing we wanted. We don't want to be losing games and especially back-to-back. But the fans have stuck with us and it has been well earned today because we put a lot in behind the scenes in trying to get this win, so it has paid off."

Pearson scored his second goal of the season on Saturday and he's looking to continue his terrific record in front of goal since joining the Hatters, having scored six times last term.

The centre-back recognised that, adding: "I know in myself I can score goals. I've got a proven record so as long as I concentrate on myself and concentrate on trying to get on the end of things, then I think I'm always going to have that chance."

Town's number six also paid homage to James Collins, who scored Luton's first of the afternoon and his 50th goal for the club.

"Collo's Collo, isn't he? We know exactly what we're going to get from him, and we know the goals are going to be there, so we supply. You can see with his work rate he gets exactly what he deserves."



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2019-20 EFL YOUTH ALLIANCE SOUTH EAST

DATE	KO	H/A	OPPOSITION	SCORE	DATE	KO	H/A	OPPOSITION	SCORE
03.08.19	11.00am	H	Southend United	W 4-2	12.10.19	11.00am	H	Peterborough United	
10.08.19	11.00am	A	Northampton Town	D 4-4	19.10.19	11.00am	H	Gillingham	
24.08.19	10.30am	A	Gillingham	L 3-4	26.10.19	11.00am	A	Cambridge United	
27.08.19	1.00pm	H	Cheltenham Town (League Cup R1)	W 2-0	02.11.19	11.00am	H	Barnet	
31.08.19	11.00am	H	Cambridge United	D 2-2	09.11.19	10.30am	A	AFC Wimbledon	
07.09.19	10.30am	A	Barnet (The Hive)	L 1-2	16.11.19	10.30am	A	Leyton Orient	
14.09.19	11.00am	A	AFC Wimbledon	W 2-1	23.11.19	11.00am	H	Stevenage	
17.09.09	1.00pm	A	Gillingham (League Cup R2)	W 4-1	30.11.19	11.00am	H	Milton Keynes Dons	
21.09.19	11.00am	A	Stevenage	L 1-3	14.12.19	11.00am	A	Peterborough United	
28.09.19	11.00am	H	Leyton Orient	L 1-2	21.12.19	11.00am	A	Southend United	
05.10.19	10.30am	A	Milton Keynes Dons		04.01.20	11.00am	H	Northampton Town	

ACADEMY UPDATE

WITH ANDY AWFORD

Good evening everyone and welcome to this evening's game versus Millwall.



YOUTH TEAM

The U18s have suffered a couple of defeats since the last programme notes. An away 3-1 loss at Stevenage followed by a 2-1 loss at home to Leyton Orient have certainly provided the staff and the players with plenty of learning opportunities.

The Stevenage game, in all honesty, was a poor performance and it was pleasing to see the performance level against Leyton Orient was vastly improved at the weekend. Unfortunately, conceding in injury time cost us a deserved point and we must start to learn to remain focused and ensure our concentration levels are at the required level for 95 minutes and cut out conceding late on in games.

Next up we go to Milton Keynes on Saturday whereby hopefully we can maintain the performance level from last Saturday and convert that into three points.

STAFF

I would like to officially welcome three new staff members to the Academy team. James Donkin (U11 Coach), Seanagh McCarthy (Sports Therapist) and Daniel Taylor (Academy Sports Scientist) have all recently started working in the academy and we look forward to them enhancing our current staff.

It was good to see our staff throw their all into the recent Mental Health Awareness Training Course. The course was organised by Mental Health First Aid England, whom we thank for their time as they certainly gave our staff an enlightening and informative workshop (pictured below).

Enjoy tonight's game, roar us on as you always do.

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Andy



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MY TOWN



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GRAHAM EVERITT SHARES HIS TOWN TEAM TO TAKE ON THE BEST!

MANAGER: MICK HARFORD

What he achieved last season will probably never be rivalled. To come in and do what he did showed how much Luton Town means to him.

GK: LES SEALEY

Brilliant keeper. Great shot stopper and incredible character. Made players like Mitchell Thomas and Tim Breacker. Always said what he thought!

LB: MATT TAYLOR



Great left foot and the provider of many a goal. Great engine that would run all day. He always gave his all.

RB: KIRK STEPHENS

Was one of the best. Had great hair. Always got stuck in no matter what and wasn't a bad keeper either!

CB: STEVE FOSTER

What a leader and so organised. Another that said it how it was. Lifted that mighty trophy in 1988. Head band king!

CB: MAL DONAGHY

Very underestimated in my opinion. Just got on with the job. Little fuss and never seemed to break sweat. Mr Reliable.

MID: BRIAN HORTON

Brilliant captain and was a hard tackler. Loved to get stuck in. Could open up defences at ease. True gent too.

MID: RICKY HILL

In the top three of best players to have played for the Hatters. So skilful and powerful with the ball. Should have been a regular for England.

MID: DAVID MOSS

What a player. Sweet left foot and a player who never scored tap ins! Loved to head a ball (not!). He was cool, calm and collected. The best penalty taker I have seen.

ST: PAUL WALSH

The only player I have seen where the ball seemed stuck to his feet. Would turn defenders inside out. Unplayable at times. Again should have played more for England.

ST: MICK HARFORD

Greatest player of all time for us. Immense player. Hard as nails and natural goalscorer. Total legend that should have been and England striker for many years. LEGEND!

ST: STEVE HOWARD

May surprise some that I have selected Stevo. But from where he was when he joined us to what he became was quite incredible. A goal every other game is some record. Loved the way he managed his bookings to get Christmas off each year!



LUTON TOWN IN THE COMMUNITY

PREMIER LEAGUE CHARITABLE FUND CONTINUE FINANCIAL SUPPORT FOR THE TRUST

The Trust are delighted to announce another three-year deal has been agreed with the Premier League Charitable Fund that will provide over £125,000 in grant funding in each of the next three seasons.

In simple terms, this will allow the Trust to visit 50 local schools and deliver free curriculum time sport to approximately 2,000 primary school children every

week of term through the Primary Stars project, as well as offer late night sports sessions to improve community cohesion and engagement with all young people – boys and girls, able and disabled, through the PL KICKS project.

While there is a lot of discussion around the imbalance of finances between the EFL and the Premier League, it is difficult to argue with the grass-roots charitable support we receive from the Premier League which is so fundamental to our community work in Luton and Bedfordshire.

By the end of the new three-year deal the Trust will have received over £500,000 in support since 2016 from the PLCF!

PL PRIMARY STARS SCHOOL SPORT PROGRAMME

The Premier League's flagship PL Primary Stars programme is designed to provide primary schools with support in improving the provision of PE and sport during curriculum and extra-curriculum time.

The aim is to provide higher quality, positive experiences for the pupils, enabling positive teaching and learning, alongside increased participation opportunities and importantly for the club increased player pathways through talent identification.



This support to schools importantly includes teacher mentoring from our coaching staff to improve staff confidence in PE sessions delivery, PE curriculum lessons, enrichment sessions, through to breakfast clubs, lunch-time activities and after-school clubs.

School Sport Development Officer, James Hatch, who oversees the project commented: "We always have a great response from local schools who ask us to come in and help with all



kinds of requests from running lunchtime clubs to coaching the schools' football teams.

"With the PLCF funding we will be able to engage with more schools than ever each week and also promote the Club to the next generation of supporters."

For any schools interested in our PL primary stars project you can contact James Hatch at the Trust via email at schoolsport@lutontown.co.uk



PL KICKS PROGRAMME – SOCIAL COHESION PROJECT

PL KICKS seeks to promote sport in deprived areas with unemployment and anti-social behaviour challenges where lots of students under-achieve at school or college and now find the jobs market challenging.

PL KICKS projects aim to use football a hook to engage and target young people aged 11 to 24 and attempt to divert them away from anti-social behaviour by providing training and employment and volunteering opportunities. Longer term it all leads to improved health and self-esteem where they can feel safer through bringing different communities together.

Additionally, the next three years will also see a big push with both disengaged girls who currently do not have the opportunity to participate in football – recognising the current trend that female football in this country is fast becoming a very white middle class sport – as well as both boys and girls who may have both mental and/or physical disabilities preventing them from engaging in the sport.

Community Operations Officer Daniel Douglas commented: "KICKS is a fantastic project that encourages young people of all ages and abilities to

come together and enjoy football – it's about removing barriers to participation and engagement.

"Quite often it's the first stage of a young person becoming involved with the Club's Trust, from KICKS they may also decide to, volunteer with us or sign up for employability support programmes.

"KICKS can just be about coming along to play football every night with friends, but for the majority of students it's so much more than that – it's a step towards making positive changes within their lives."

If you want to get involved in PL KICKS you can contact Daniel by email at daniel.douglas@lutontown.co.uk





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LUTON TOWN LADIES

By Axel Toudic

LUTON TOWN 6 | BUNGAY TOWN 0 LADIES HIT SIX TO BUNG TOWN OUT OF CUP!

Luton Town ladies brilliantly qualified for the Women's FA Cup second qualifying round last week by beating Bungay Town 6-0.

Goals from Funmi Babalola and Zara Carroll, both assisted by Jess McKay (pictured) gave a deserved lead to the Hatters in the first half.

Dione Manning made it 3-0 early in second half thanks to a beautiful cross by Tanya Blacksley, before McKay scored two goals and assisted her third goal of the day to seal the game with a player of the match performance.

For the first, Elly Kade did well to run through her half with the ball before passing it to McKay. The midfielder then delivered her first assist of the day as she passed it in the box to Babalola who beat Bungay Town's goalkeeper.

The second goal came from a corner as McKay crossed it beautifully in the penalty area and Carroll headed the ball in to give the home side a two-goal lead.

Six minutes into the second half Blacksley arrived on the left wing and delivered a beautiful cross to Dione



Manning, who scored after her first attempt was pushed back by the goalkeeper.

It was only three minutes later that McKay almost scored the goal of the day. She chipped the ball from outside the box and the ball looked like it was going in but Bungay's goalkeeper made a brilliant save and sent the ball over the crossbar.

McKay's top performance was finally concluded with a goal in the 61st minute when she arrived alone in front of the goalkeeper after a bad goal kick by Bungay and scored from the penalty spot.

She got a brace 15 minutes later when she beat the keeper from ten yards to make it 5-0, and the sixth goal came in the 86th minute from Kade as she headed in another McKay corner to seal the victory in what was a one-sided game.

The Hatters now progress to the FA Cup's second qualifying round, where they will travel to Newmarket on Sunday.

JUNIOR HATTERS



TODAY'S MASCOT



NAME: Oliver Ripley

AGE: 10

HOBBIES: FOOTBALL, LUTON TOWN
FAN, CRICKET AND ATHLETICS

FAVOURITE PLAYER: DAN POTTS



FIFA 20 WITH THE TWO HARRYS

Hatters duo Harry Cornick and Harry Isted made an appearance at Smyths Toys for the release of FIFA 20 last Thursday.

The pair took on Junior Hatters as well as signing copies of the game!

JUNIOR STATISTICIAN

GOALS

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BOOKINGS

YOUR MAN OF THE MATCH

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Can you tell which players are shown below just by their eyes?



Which four players have we used to make up this image?



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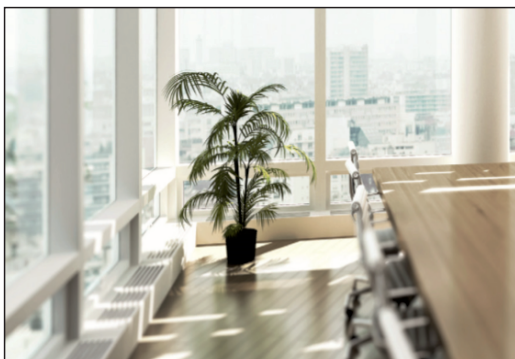
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Barnsley	-	11.02.20	21.03.20	29.09.19 1-3	02.11.19	07.03.20	17.08.19 2-2	02.10.19	03.08.19 1-0	11.01.20	30.11.19	
Birmingham City	20.08.19 2-0	-	22.10.19	15.02.20	10.08.19 1-1	18.01.20	18.04.20	02.05.20	09.11.19	21.03.20	18.03.20	
Blackburn Rovers	23.11.19	26.12.19	-	27.11.19	14.03.20	24.08.19 0-0	03.08.19 1-2	07.12.19	08.02.20	19.10.19	11.02.20	
Brentford	02.05.20	03.08.19 0-1	22.02.20	-	02.10.19	11.12.19	10.04.20	31.08.19 3-0	14.12.19	02.11.19	17.08.19 1-1	
Bristol City	18.01.20	08.02.20	14.12.19	01.01.20	-	04.04.20	23.10.19	12.02.20	07.03.20	30.11.19	10.04.20	
Cardiff City	07.12.19	02.11.19	10.04.20	29.02.20	09.11.19	-	21.03.20	18.04.20	30.08.19 1-1	21.08.19 2-1	02.05.20	
Charlton Athletic	01.02.20	14.09.19 0-1	15.02.20	24.08.19 1-0	26.12.19	23.11.19	-	19.10.19	25.01.20	10.12.19	14.12.19	
Derby County	01.01.20	28.09.19 3-2	07.03.20	13.04.20	20.08.19 1-2	13.09.19 1-1	29.12.19	-	22.02.20	15.02.20	18.01.20	
Fulham	15.02.20	04.04.20	10.08.19 2-0	14.03.20	07.12.19	13.04.20	05.10.19	26.11.19	-	01.02.20	02.11.19	
Huddersfield Town	26.10.19	23.11.19	29.12.19	18.01.20	25.02.20	12.02.20	29.02.20	05.08.19 1-2	16.08.19 1-2	-	05.10.19	
Hull City	26.02.20	21.12.19	20.08.19 0-1	01.02.20	24.08.19 1-3	28.09.19 2-2	14.03.20	26.10.19	11.01.20	25.01.20	-	
Leeds United	18.04.20	19.10.19	09.11.19	21.08.19 1-0	15.02.20	14.12.19	02.05.20	21.09.19 1-1	18.03.20	07.03.20	10.12.19	
LUTON TOWN	10.04.20	11.01.20	02.05.20	25.02.20	19.10.19	08.02.20	26.11.19	25.01.20	26.12.19	31.08.19 2-1	21.09.19 0-3	
Middlesbrough	27.11.19	25.01.20	01.02.20	10.08.19 0-1	13.04.20	25.04.20	07.12.19	11.01.20	26.10.19	26.12.19	23.11.19	
Millwall	21.12.19	26.02.20	18.04.20	29.12.19	29.02.20	22.10.19	09.11.19	14.03.20	12.02.20	02.05.20	31.08.19 1-1	
Nottingham Forest	21.09.19 1-0	17.08.19 3-0	01.01.20	05.10.19	21.03.20	30.11.19	11.02.20	09.11.19	10.04.20	18.03.20	23.10.19	
Preston North End	05.10.19	25.04.20	26.10.19	14.09.19 2-0	28.09.19 3-3	17.03.20	18.01.20	21.03.20	10.12.19	09.11.19	22.02.20	
Queens Park Rangers	14.03.20	29.02.20	05.10.19	26.10.19	01.02.20	01.01.20	21.12.19	25.02.20	21.03.20	10.08.19 1-1	29.12.19	
Reading	29.02.20	07.12.19	21.09.19 1-2	21.03.20	25.01.20	18.08.19 3-0	31.08.19 0-2	21.12.19	01.10.19	10.04.20	08.02.20	
Sheffield Wednesday	10.08.19 2-0	27.11.19	18.01.20	07.12.19	21.12.19	29.12.19	26.02.20	29.02.20	21.09.19 1-1	18.04.20	01.01.20	
Stoke City	04.04.20	13.04.20	30.11.19	25.04.20	14.09.19 1-2	22.02.20	08.02.20	17.08.19 2-2	19.10.19	01.10.19	07.03.20	
Swansea City	29.12.19	24.08.19 3-0	11.12.19	22.10.19	25.04.20	26.10.19	01.01.20	08.02.20	30.11.19	22.02.20	03.08.19 2-1	
West Bromwich Albion	22.10.19	14.03.20	31.08.19 3-2	21.12.19	27.11.19	05.10.19	26.10.19	10.04.20	18.04.20	22.09.19 4-2	04.04.20	
Wigan Athletic	31.08.19 0-0	01.10.19	18.03.20	09.11.19	11.01.20	03.08.19 3-2	21.09.19 2-0	26.12.19	02.05.20	14.12.19	18.04.20	

WHO IS PLAYING WHO, AND WHEN... RESULTS UPDATED THROUGHOUT THE SEASON



	Leeds United	LUTON TOWN	Middlesbrough	Millwall	Nottingham Forest	Preston North End	Queens Park Rangers	Reading	Sheffield Wednesday	Stoke City	Swansea City	West Bromwich Albion	Wigan Athletic
	15.09.19 0-2	24.08.19 1-3	22.02.20	17.03.20	25.04.20	25.01.20	14.12.19	11.12.19	08.02.20	09.11.19	19.10.19	26.12.19	13.04.20
	29.12.19	26.10.19	05.10.19	30.11.19	01.02.20	21.09.19 0-1	11.12.19	07.03.20	22.02.20	31.08.19 2-1	10.04.20	14.12.19	01.01.20
	04.04.20	28.09.19 1-2	17.08.19 1-0	14.09.19 2-0	01.10.19	11.01.20	25.01.20	25.04.20	02.11.19	26.02.20	29.02.20	13.04.20	21.12.19
	11.02.20	30.11.19	08.02.20	19.10.19	25.01.20	18.04.20	11.01.20	23.11.19	07.03.20	21.09.19 0-0	26.12.19	17.03.20	04.04.20
	04.08.19 1-3	29.12.19	31.08.19 2-2	10.12.19	23.11.19	02.05.20	17.08.19 2-0	05.10.19	17.03.20	18.04.20	21.09.19 0-0	22.02.20	26.10.19
	14.03.20	10.08.19 2-1	21.09.19 1-0	26.12.19	25.02.20	21.12.19	02.10.19	01.02.20	19.10.19	26.11.19	11.01.20	25.01.20	15.02.20
	28.09.19 1-0	22.02.20	07.03.20	04.04.20	21.08.19 1-1	02.11.19	17.03.20	13.04.20	30.11.19	10.08.19 3-1	02.10.19	11.01.20	25.04.20
	25.04.20	05.10.19	02.11.19	14.12.19	04.04.20	23.11.19	30.11.19	17.03.20	11.12.19	01.02.20	10.08.19 0-0	24.08.19 1-1	23.10.19
	21.12.19	23.10.19	18.01.20	21.08.19 4-0	24.08.19 1-2	29.02.20	23.11.19	01.01.20	25.04.20	29.12.19	25.02.20	14.09.19 1-1	27.09.19 2-0
	07.12.19	13.04.20	23.10.19	28.09.19 1-1	21.12.19	04.04.20	08.02.20	24.08.19 0-2	15.09.19 0-2	01.01.20	26.11.19	25.04.20	14.03.20
	29.02.20	25.04.20	21.03.20	13.04.20	26.12.19	27.11.19	19.10.19	10.08.19 2-1	01.10.19	07.12.19	15.02.20	09.11.19	14.09.19 2-2
	-	21.03.20	30.11.19	25.01.20	10.08.19 1-1	26.12.19	02.11.19	22.02.20	11.01.20	10.04.20	31.08.19 0-1	01.10.19	01.02.20
	23.11.19	-	02.08.19 3-3	02.10.19	02.11.19	14.03.20	18.04.20	04.04.20	12.02.20	29.02.20	21.12.19	17.08.19 1-2	07.12.19
	26.02.20	15.02.20	-	24.08.19 1-1	29.02.20	01.10.19	04.04.20	14.09.19 1-0	28.09.19 1-4	21.12.19	14.03.20	19.10.19	20.08.19 1-0
	05.10.19	01.01.20	10.04.20	-	07.12.19	03.08.19 1-0	21.09.19 1-2	18.01.20	17.08.19 1-0	26.10.19	21.03.20	08.02.20	26.11.19
	08.02.20	18.01.20	10.12.19	07.03.20	-	31.08.19 1-1	22.02.20	26.10.19	14.12.19	02.05.20	18.04.20	03.08.19 1-2	29.12.19
	23.10.19	14.12.19	01.01.20	15.02.20	13.04.20	-	07.03.20	29.12.19	24.08.19 2-1	21.08.19 3-1	01.02.20	30.11.19	10.08.19 3-0
	18.01.20	14.09.19 3-2	09.11.19	25.04.20	27.11.19	07.12.19	-	22.10.19	13.04.20	15.02.20	21.08.19 1-3	28.09.19 0-2	24.08.19 3-1
	26.11.19	09.11.19	18.04.20	02.11.19	11.01.20	19.10.19	26.12.19	-	03.08.19 1-3	14.03.20	02.05.20	12.02.20	26.02.20
	26.10.19	20.08.19 1-0	02.05.20	01.02.20	14.03.20	10.04.20	31.08.19 1-2	15.02.20	-	22.10.19	09.11.19	21.03.20	05.10.19
	24.08.19 0-3	10.12.19	18.03.20	11.01.20	27.09.19 2-3	12.02.20	03.08.19 1-2	14.12.19	26.12.19	-	25.01.20	02.11.19	23.11.19
	13.04.20	18.03.20	14.12.19	23.11.19	14.09.19 0-1	17.08.19 3-2	11.02.20	28.09.19 1-1	04.04.20	05.10.19	-	07.03.20	18.01.20
	01.01.20	01.02.20	29.12.19	10.08.19 1-1	15.02.20	25.02.20	02.05.20	21.08.19 1-1	23.11.19	18.01.20	07.12.19	-	29.02.20
	17.08.19 0-2	07.03.20	11.02.20	22.02.20	19.10.19	08.02.20	10.04.20	30.11.19	25.01.20	21.03.20	02.11.19	11.12.19	-

FIXTURES & RESULTS

DATE	TIME	H/A	OPPOSITION	SCORE	ATT	AWAY	POS	PENALTY (F)	PENALTY (A)	OWN GOALS	SENT OFF	OPP. SENT OFF	STECH	CRANIE	POTTS	TUNNICLIFFE	BRADLEY	PEARSON	MCNAMAN	BERRY	HYLTON
AUGUST																					
Fri 2	7.45pm	H	Middlesbrough	D 3-3	10,053	960	1	-	*	-	-	-	1				1		c	*	
Sat 10	3.00pm	A	Cardiff City	L 1-2	24,724	2,064	17	-	-	-	-	-		b	y			1		c	
Tue 13	7.45pm	H	Ipswich (Carabao Cup R1)	W 3-1	5,433	1,064	-	1	-	-	-	-		a					c		1
Sat 17	3.00pm	H	West Bromwich Albion	L 1-2	10,059	1,033	23	-	-	-	-	-			y				b		
Tue 20	7.45pm	A	Sheffield Wednesday	L 0-1	23,353	790	22	-	-	-	-	-		a				y			
Sat 24	3.00pm	A	Barnsley	W 3-1	13,250	1,175	18	-	-	-	-	-									
Tue 28	7.45pm	A	Cardiff (Carabao Cup R2)	W 3-0	4,111	232	-	-	-	1	-	-	*		*				b		
Sat 31	3.00pm	H	Huddersfield Town	W 2-1	10,062	1,038	15	1	-	-	-	-									
SEPTEMBER																					
Sat 14	3.00pm	A	Queens Park Rangers	L 2-3	16,186	2,943	16	-	-	-	-	-									
Sat 21	3.00pm	H	Hull City	L 0-3	10,066	1,033	21	-	-	-	-	-		c							
Tue 24	7.45pm	H	Leicester (Carabao Cup R3)	L 0-4	8,216	1,500	-	-	-	-	-	-				*		*	c		
Sat 28	3.00pm	A	Blackburn Rovers	W 2-1	15,319	1,326	17	-	-	-	-	-		y			1	a	b		
OCTOBER																					
Wed 2	7.45pm	H	Millwall																		
Sat 5	3.00pm	A	Derby County																		
Sat 19	3.00pm	H	Bristol City																		
Wed 23	7.45pm	A	Fulham																		
Sat 26	3.00pm	A	Birmingham City																		
NOVEMBER																					
Sat 2	3.00pm	H	Nottingham Forest																		
Sat 9	3.00pm	A	Reading																		
Sat 23	3.00pm	H	Leeds United																		
Tue 26	7.45pm	H	Charlton Athletic																		
Sat 30	3.00pm	A	Brentford																		
DECEMBER																					
Sat 7	3.00pm	H	Wigan Athletic																		
Tue 10	8.00pm	A	Stoke City																		
Sat 14	3.00pm	A	Preston North End																		
Sat 21	3.00pm	H	Swansea City																		
Thu 26	3.00pm	H	Fulham																		
Sun 29	3.00pm	A	Bristol City																		
JANUARY																					
Wed 1	1.00pm	A	Millwall																		
Sat 11	3.00pm	H	Birmingham City																		
Sat 18	3.00pm	A	Nottingham Forest																		
Sat 25	3.00pm	H	Derby County																		
FEBRUARY																					
Sat 1	3.00pm	A	West Bromwich Albion																		
Sat 8	3.00pm	H	Cardiff City																		
Wed 12	7.45pm	H	Sheffield Wednesday																		
Sat 15	3.00pm	A	Middlesbrough																		
Sat 22	3.00pm	A	Charlton Athletic																		
Tue 25	7.45pm	H	Brentford																		
Sat 29	3.00pm	H	Stoke City																		
MARCH																					
Sat 7	3.00pm	A	Wigan Athletic																		
Sat 14	3.00pm	H	Preston North End																		
Wed 18	7.45pm	A	Swansea City																		
Sat 21	3.00pm	A	Leeds United																		
APRIL																					
Sat 4	3.00pm	H	Reading																		
Fri 10	3.00pm	H	Barnsley																		
Mon 13	3.00pm	A	Huddersfield Town																		
Sat 18	3.00pm	H	Queens Park Rangers																		
Sat 25	3.00pm	A	Hull City																		
MAY																					
Sat 2	12.30pm	H	Blackburn Rovers																		

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KEY: Starting XI Substitute Unused sub Not available/suspended y: yellow card r: red card p: penalty scorer *: penalty missed

WHO, WHEN AND WHERE THE HATTERS ARE PLAYING THIS SEASON

TEAM	LEE	SHINNIE	SUGA	CORNICK	JERVIS	REA	MPANZU	COLLINS	MONCUR	BOLTON	GALLOWAY	BROWN	LUALLA	BREE	JONES	BUTTERFIELD	NEUVILLE	SHEA	MUSONDA	ISTED	SHEEHAN	SUB TIMES			SENT OFF		GOAL TIMES	
	10	11	12	14	15	16	17	19	20	22	23	24	25	26	28	29	35	36	37	40	44	a	b	c	L#	A#		
	a	b		b			y	1y	c		*				*	a		*					60	69	74	-	-	7,17,24,37,68,85
	*	*		a				y	a		*			b		c		*					55	74	84	-	-	52,86,95
	1py	1								b		c	a		1		b		*			46	46	66	-	-	8,18,55,74	
	*	cy		1a			c		*			a	b	*				*				53	53	75	-	-	15,48,51	
	b						c		a			b	b		*	c		*				59	69	74	-	-	54	
		*		1b			a	1	*		c	*	ay	c	*	1		*				81	85	93	-	-	2,4,31,72	
	*	1		b			b	1y	*		*	ay	c		c	a		*			1	46	82	-	-	-	43,63,69	
																						52	87	93	-	-	47,57,66	
	c			1c			*	1	b	a	a		b		*	*		*				58	66	79	-	-	3,20,28,36,48	
									b	c		a	b		*	*		*				65	65	76	-	-	63,87,90	
	b		*	b					a			a	c	*				*				60	60	72	-	-	34,44,79,86	
			c					1	*			a	*		c	by		*				71	83	86	-	-	17,37,57	

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LEAGUE TABLE 2019/20

	P	W	D	L	F	A	GD	PTS
1 West Bromwich Albion	9	5	4	0	17	10	7	19
2 Swansea City	9	5	3	1	13	6	7	18
3 Nottingham Forest	9	5	3	1	14	8	6	18
4 Leeds United	9	5	2	2	13	5	8	17
5 Preston North End	9	5	2	2	17	10	7	17
6 Charlton Athletic	9	5	2	2	12	8	4	17
7 Sheffield Wednesday	9	5	1	3	15	8	7	16
8 Bristol City	9	4	4	1	16	12	4	16
9 Queens Park Rangers	9	5	1	3	14	14	0	16
10 Fulham	9	4	3	2	14	7	7	15
11 Blackburn Rovers	9	4	1	4	10	10	0	13
12 Cardiff City	9	3	4	2	11	12	-1	13
13 Birmingham City	9	4	1	4	9	12	-3	13
14 Brentford	9	3	2	4	8	7	1	11
15 Derby County	9	2	5	2	11	13	-2	11
16 Hull City	9	2	4	3	13	13	0	10
17 LUTON TOWN	9	3	1	5	14	17	-3	10
18 Millwall	9	2	4	3	7	12	-5	10
19 Middlesbrough	9	2	3	4	9	13	-4	9
20 Reading	9	2	2	5	10	12	-2	8
21 Wigan Athletic	9	2	2	5	8	15	-7	8
22 Barnsley	9	1	2	6	5	15	-10	5
23 Huddersfield Town	9	0	2	7	8	18	-10	2
24 Stoke City	9	0	2	7	9	20	-11	2

PLAYER STATS 2019/20

	THIS SEASON										LTCF		
	LEAGUE		CUP		TOTAL		DISIP		CAREER TO				
	APPS	GLS	APPS	GLS	APPS	GLS	Y	R	APPS	GLS			
Luke Berry	0	(2)	0	3	(0)	0	3	(2)	0	0	68	11	
Luke Bolton	4	(1)	0	2	(1)	0	6	(2)	0	0	8	0	
Sonny Bradley	9	(0)	1	0	(0)	0	9	(0)	1	0	59	0	
James Bree	6	(1)	0	2	(0)	0	8	(1)	0	0	9	0	
Izzy Brown	3	(3)	0	2	(1)	0	5	(4)	0	1	0	9	0
Jacob Butterfield	6	(1)	1	1	(0)	0	7	(1)	1	1	0	8	1
James Collins	9	(0)	5	0	(0)	0	9	(0)	5	3	0	102	50
Harry Cornick	7	(2)	3	1	(1)	0	8	(3)	3	0	0	89	16
Martin Cranie	4	(0)	1	0	(1)	0	4	(1)	1	0	0	5	1
Brendan Galloway	0	(2)	0	2	(0)	0	2	(2)	0	0	0	4	0
Danny Hylton	0	(0)	0	0	(0)	0	0	(0)	0	0	0	118	58
Harry Isted	0	(0)	0	0	(0)	0	0	(0)	0	0	0	2	0
Jake Jervis	0	(0)	0	1	(0)	1	1	(0)	1	0	0	14	1
Lloyd Jones	0	(2)	0	3	(0)	1	3	(2)	1	0	0	11	1
Elliot Lee	1	(2)	0	3	(0)	1	4	(2)	1	1	0	98	28
Kazenga LuaLua	5	(1)	0	1	(1)	0	6	(2)	0	1	0	36	3
Callum McManaman	3	(1)	0	1	(2)	0	4	(3)	0	0	0	7	0
George Moncur	1	(3)	0	2	(0)	0	3	(3)	0	0	0	20	6
Pelly-Ruddock Mpanzu	4	(4)	0	2	(0)	0	6	(4)	0	1	0	216	14
Frankie Musonda	0	(0)	0	0	(0)	0	0	(0)	0	0	0	14	1
Josh Neuvville	0	(0)	0	0	(1)	0	0	(1)	0	0	0	4	0
Matty Pearson	9	(0)	2	0	(0)	0	9	(0)	2	1	0	61	8
Jake Peck	0	(0)	0	0	(0)	0	0	(0)	0	0	0	1	0
Dan Potts	4	(1)	0	1	(0)	0	5	(1)	0	3	0	122	9
Glen Rea	0	(0)	0	0	(0)	0	0	(0)	0	0	0	136	5
James Shea	0	(0)	0	3	(0)	0	3	(0)	0	0	0	62	0
Alan Sheehan	0	(0)	0	2	(0)	1	2	(0)	1	0	0	130	9
Andrew Shinnie	6	(1)	1	1	(0)	1	7	(1)	2	2	0	89	10
Simon Sluga	9	(0)	0	0	(0)	0	9	(0)	0	0	0	9	0
Marek Stech	0	(0)	0	0	(0)	0	0	(0)	0	0	0	49	0
Ryan Tunnicliffe	9	(0)	0	0	(0)	0	9	(0)	0	0	0	9	0

KEY: : Out on loan | **Team name colour:** Carabao Cup Match | **Team name colour:** FA Cup Match

OUR NEXT OPPOSITION

DERBY COUNTY | 05.10.19 | KO 3PM

UP NEXT

FORMED: 1884 | NICKNAME: THE RAMS | LAST SEASON: 6TH IN THE CHAMPIONSHIP FOLLOW
THEM ON TWITTER: @DCFCOFFICIAL | COLOURS: WHITE SHIRTS & BLACK SHORTS
GROUND: PRIDE PARK | MANAGER: PHILLIP COCU



WHO?

Defeated in the Championship play-off final last season by Aston Villa, the Rams will be looking to go one better this term as they bid to become a Premier League team again – having last been in the top tier in 2008. Frank Lampard departed as manager in the summer and was replaced by former Barcelona midfielder Phillip Cocu, who has overseen mixed results at Pride Park so far – only suffering two defeats in their seven league games heading into the weekend, but winning only one.

STADIUM – PRIDE PARK

Constructed at a cost of £28 million in 1997 – where the Rams have played their games since July of that year – Pride Park can fit in just over 33,000 supporters. That capacity was reached in May 2001, when England took on Mexico – a stadium record that stands to this day. Average attendances have been around the 29,000 mark for the past few years.

HAVEN'T WE MET BEFORE?

The Hatters have faced Derby on 41 occasions, defeating them 15 times, drawing 10 and losing 16.

KNOWING ME, KNOWING YOU

Hatters midfielder Jacob Butterfield joined us from the Rams having been released in the summer, following a four year stay at Pride Park. First team coach Inigo Idiakez spent two years of his playing career at Derby, finishing top scorer in the 2005-06 campaign with 11 goals, before Steve Howard won the same award the following season, his 19 strikes helping the Rams to promotion to the Premier League. George Thorne spent the second half of last season on loan here from Derby, whilst Curtis Davies came through the youth ranks at Kenilworth Road, going onto play for the likes of West Brom, Aston Villa and Birmingham City, before joining the Pride Park outfit in 2017. Mick Harford scored plenty of goals for both clubs, too!

TICKETS

TICKET INFORMATION

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

DERBY COUNTY A

SKY BET CHAMPIONSHIP | 3PM | 05.10.19

The Hatters have received an initial allocation of 1,812 tickets for this fixture. Any remaining tickets are now available on general sale from Monday 30th September online, by phone and in person. They will remain on sale, subject to availability until 1pm on Friday 4th October. **PRICES:** Adult: £30.00, Senior (65+): £20, 18-21: £21, Under-18 (13-17): £16, 2-12: £10. Any Under-13 must be accompanied by someone aged 18 or over. Any Under-two will not be permitted in the stadium. Ambulant and wheelchair disabled supporters will pay the age-related price with a Carer free of charge. Regular concession priced ticket checks do take place. Any supporter who is unable to show relevant ID will be expected to upgrade to a full adult priced ticket. Disabled parking is available on a first come first served basis at the cost of £5.00 (Proof of Blue Badge will be required.) Please contact Emma Drury on 01332 667528.

BRISTOL CITY H

SKY BET CHAMPIONSHIP | 3PM | 19.10.19

Tickets for this category B game are currently on sale from the Town Ticket Office.

FULHAM A

SKY BET CHAMPIONSHIP | 7.45PM | 20.10.19

The Hatters have received a full allocation of 1,970 tickets in the Putney End. Supporters who have taken an away season ticket will automatically receive one ticket. These will be processed on Thursday 3rd October. If you are an away season ticket holder and don't require a ticket, please advise to ticketoffice@lutontown.co.uk before this date. Tickets are available to Diamond season ticket holders and executive members at one-per-person until close of business on Saturday 5th October. These will need to be ordered from the Ticket Office either in person or via phone on 01582 416976. Season ticket holders will be able to obtain one ticket per person from Monday 7th October until close of business on Saturday 12th October - online using your individual client reference numbers and also via phone or in person from the Ticket Office. Any remaining tickets will be available on general sale from Monday 14th October online, by phone and in person. They will remain on sale, subject to availability until 3pm on Monday 21st October. **PRICES:** Standard Seating: Adult: £25, Senior (65+): £20, 18-21: £20, 17 and under: £15, Restricted View: Adult: £23, Senior (65+): £18, 18-21: £18, 17 and under: £13, Disabled Price (Higher or Middle Rate), Adult: £12, Senior (65+): £10, 18-21: £10, 17 and under: £7.50, Carer free of charge.

BOBBERS TRAVEL CLUB TIMETABLE

Date	Opposition	Adult	Conc.*	Depart	Date	Opposition	Adult	Conc.*	Depart
05.10.19	Derby County	£25	£22	11.30	10.12.19	Stoke City	£26	£23	15.30
23.10.19	Fulham	£20	£18	16.30	14.12.19	Preston North End	£32	£29	09.00
26.10.19	Birmingham City	£25	£22	11.30	29.12.19	Bristol City	£26	£23	10.00
09.11.19	Reading	£20	£18	11.30	01.01.20	Millwall	£20	£18	10.00
30.11.19	Brentford	£20	£18	12.00	18.01.20	Nottingham Forest	£25	£22	11.30

BOOKINGS: 01234 856542

Concession rate applies to those aged 15 and under or over 60

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THE LAST WORD

BY **ALEX BRODIE** – SKY SPORTS ONLINE EDITOR & HATTERS FAN



The long road back to the Championship has not always been smooth, but now we've returned after a 12-year absence, it feels like we belong.

The Town, as we all know, never take the easy route. Even consecutive promotions involved a change of boss mid-season while we now have a manager taking on his first

No.1 role in a division that even former Premier League clubs and managers find tough to crack.

Playing league games against QPR, West Brom and Hull, though, feels a lot better than Braintree, Alfreton and Bath City. And the man at the helm, Graeme Jones, has been tested early and had to find his feet quickly.

The new gaffer spoke in August about how the Barnsley victory proved to the squad that they could win at this level, but the manner of the defeats which followed the international break were worrying.

That's why Saturday's win against Blackburn at Ewood Park was massive – for Jones and Luton. As Simon Pitts pointed out, former Conference champions beat former Premier League champions.

Unsurprisingly for a man of his experience and education, Jones is an impressive speaker, and I was lucky enough to interview him at The Brache last week to promote Sky's live coverage of tonight's game.

He spoke at length about his early days as an apprentice at Millwall in the 1980s and how the disappointment of not

making it as a player there shaped him. But it was his understanding of player education, development and mindset that most impressed.

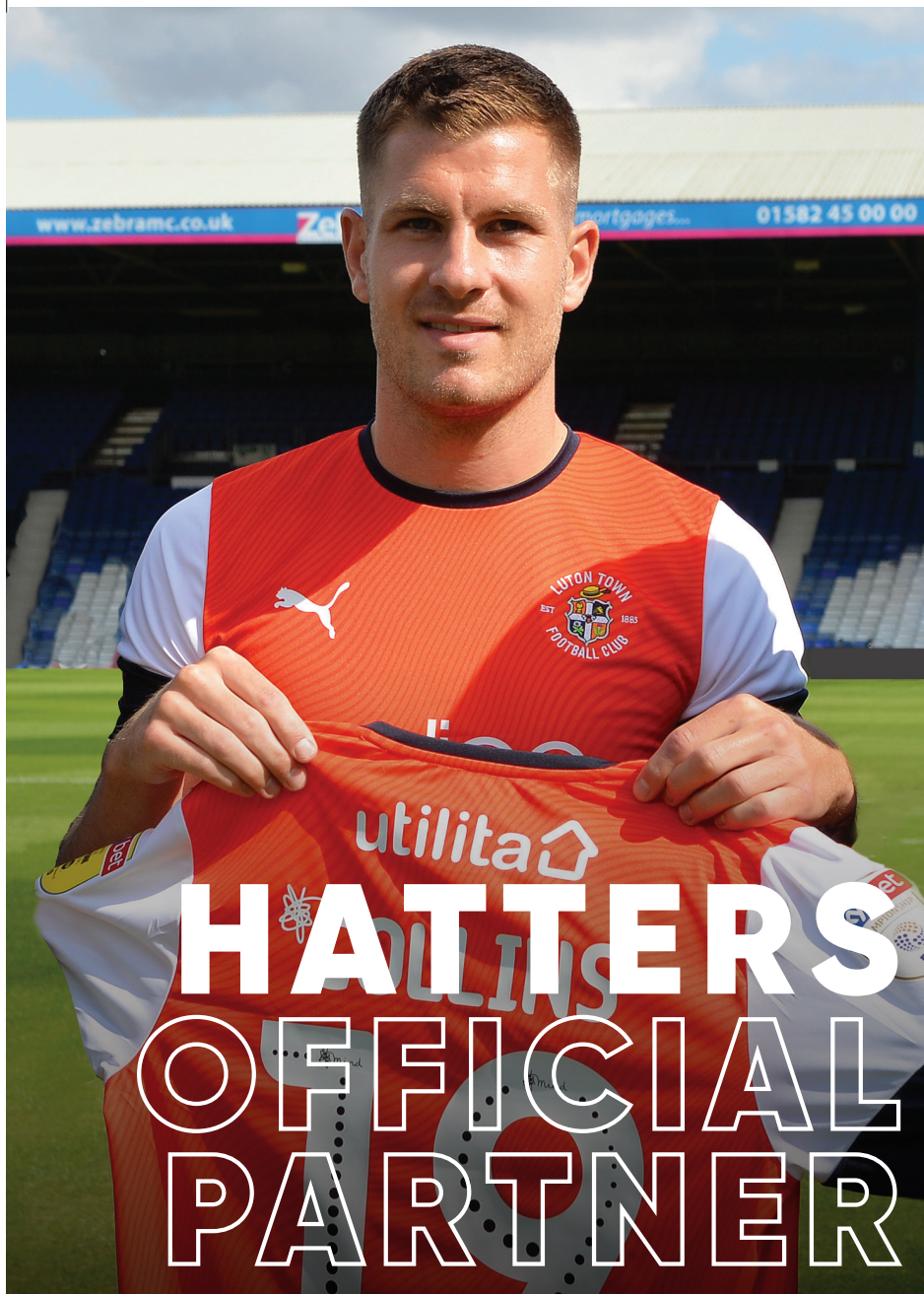
That's because there are many in this Luton squad who have come through several divisions together. There are new recruits with Championship experience. There is a new record-signing - with several rivals for his position. There are loan signings from leading Premier League clubs. There are internationals. It's a real mix of characters who all need to work together.

Jones has the experience of handling players at all levels and getting the best from them as a group. Luton's start to the season has been mixed but we have not been overawed, we have not looked out of place.

As with last season, James Collins has epitomised this attitude of fearing no one and nothing. He will take on anything you put in front of him, as his international debut proved. His continued improvement every time he reaches a new level of the game has been one of the highlights of the past three seasons.

There will be many bumps in the road this season, and it will be Jones who is tasked with how this squad navigates them. And if they have a go at the challenges as Collins has then we are in for an exciting campaign.

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LINE-UP

MATCH OFFICIALS

REFEREE - DARREN BOND | ASSISTANT REFEREE 1 - IAN COOPER
ASSISTANT REFEREE 2 - ANDREW FOX | FOURTH OFFICIAL - DEAN WHITSTONE



MANAGER: GRAEME JONES

01	MAREK STECH	10	ELLIOT LEE	23	BRENDAN GALLOWAY
02	MARTIN CRANIE	11	ANDREW SHINNIE	24	IZZY BROWN
03	DAN POTTS	12	SIMON SLUGA	25	KAZENGA LUALUA
04	RYAN TUNNICLIFFE	14	HARRY CORNICK	26	JAMES BREE
05	SONNY BRADLEY	16	GLEN REA	28	LLOYD JONES
06	MATTY PEARSON	17	PELLEY-RUDDOCK MPANZU	29	JACOB BUTTERFIELD
07	CALLUM MCMANAMAN	19	JAMES COLLINS	36	JAMES SHEA
08	LUKE BERRY	20	GEORGE MONCUR	37	FRANKIE MUSONDA
09	DANNY HYLTON	22	LUKE BOLTON	44	ALAN SHEEHAN



MANAGER: NEIL HARRIS

01	FRANK FIELDING	09	TOM BRADSHAW	18	RYAN LEONARD
02	JASON MCCARTHY	10	MATT SMITH	19	TOM ELLIOTT
03	MURRAY WALLACE	11	SHANE FERGUSON	21	CONNOR MAHONEY
04	SHAUN HUTCHINSON	12	MAHLON ROMEO	22	AIDEN O'BRIEN
05	JAKE COOPER	14	LUKE STEELE	23	JÓN DADI BÖÐVARSSON
06	SHAUN WILLIAMS	15	ALEX PEARCE	26	JIRÍ SKALÁK
07	JED WALLACE	16	JAYSON MOLUMBY	33	BARTOSZ BIAŁKOWSKI
08	BEN THOMPSON	17	JAMES BROWN	42	BILLY MITCHELL

NEXT HOME MATCH

BRISTOL CITY | SKY BET CHAMPIONSHIP | 19.10.19 | KO: 3PM