

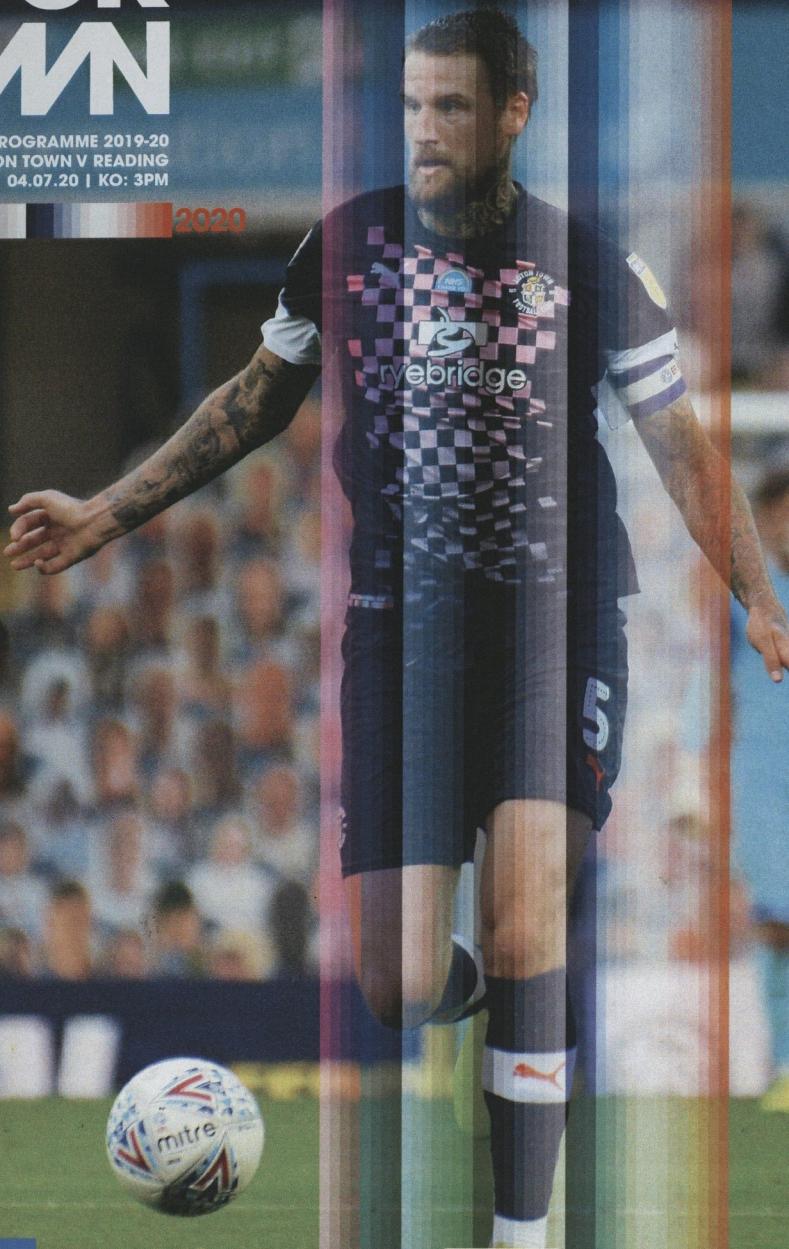


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THE MANAGER



NATHAN JONES

Three down, six to go and we all know that however big that first batch of games have been, the next half-dozen are massive as we look for the points needed to stay in the Championship.

We've given ourselves a platform to build from with what we have done in those games against Preston, Swansea and Leeds. We have a points target in mind that will remain in-house, but if we hit it, we will have done everything possible.

People will have looked at those first three matches, all against teams with promotion aspirations, and thought that we'd exceeded our own expectations with five points from nine.

They may be right, but what we can't do is suddenly think the hard work is done. We have to continue because these are big, big games coming up.

We know that Reading will provide a stern test for us this afternoon. Mark Bowen has done an excellent job there since taking over quite early in the season and I always like to see fellow Welshmen doing well, but maybe not this afternoon!

Every game in the Championship is tough but I would prefer to be playing sides in

and around us, which we'll now get with Barnsley coming here on Tuesday before our trip to Huddersfield three days later.

We've picked up good results so far, but when you're playing the top sides, those in and around you can pick up results as well, which is what has happened. We would rather play teams in and around us, and if you win those games, you know your rivals are not gaining points or pulling away from you. They are real six-pointers.

We've managed to mix the team selections up so different players have got important minutes, and the squad all know they are going to be needed over the course of the nine matches. We said that to them from day one.

The mood around The Brache has always been strong, it's been a positive environment. I left a positive environment and I've come back to a positive environment. Results will galvanise people further and give them that bit more energy and drive.

The one downside at the moment is that our wonderful supporters can't be here to help us even more. I have no doubt that we'd have had 2,000-plus at Swansea and Leeds, and this place would be full to the rafters. I've said before that if Luton Town were playing on the moon, I'd expect some of our fans to be there.

We all know that can't happen for now, and we understand why. Please look after yourselves and each other and carry on watching from your armchair. We saw the Zoom videos and pictures last week and we know you're right behind us.

Enjoy today's offering and let's hope we can all enjoy a glass of something this evening with another big result in the bag.

Stay safe and COYH!



THE BOARDROOM



GARY SWEET

We live in a very peculiar world, don't we?

My last programme notes (versus Cardiff back in February) were written when we were going about our regular lives somewhat concerned about our perilous League position, wondering whether a couple of respectable recent performances were a signal to give us some hope of survival under Graeme Jones.

Planted firmly in the relegation zone, statistically, we had a glaring undertaking ahead of us as we sat some 10 points adrift of safety but 16 below Hull, 12 behind Middlesbrough, 11 behind Huddersfield and trailed Stoke by 10.

That seems a world away now but was only nine games ago. Now, after three games under Nathan, whilst still anchoring the division, our position doesn't feel quite as precarious somehow having gained, respectively, 11, 8, 6 and 7 points on those relegation rivals and having halved our gap to safety.

We should be under no illusion that this has been a remarkable feat and one which puts our own divisional status in our own hands. Statistics aside, Nathan's re-introduction (aided by Mick, Forbesy and Deardo along with Harty's welcome return) has been simply outstanding so far, and one which has not only provided us with a decent chance of survival, but with a swagger in our stride as we look re-energised, aggressive and totally committed as a group.

Whatever happens today and the following five games in just 18 days, we can justifiably feel proud and dignified about how we've gone about our business.

In our last league game before lockdown we travelled to Wigan Athletic. A club then who were, themselves, hitting a good run of form, looked safe and were largely recognised as financially stable. Their shock administration this week teaches us that no club should be complacent and apparent stability isn't all it seems.

There are so many issues that can be discussed with this calamity of a situation that I don't know where to start. They're good guys at Wigan. Decent people who we've got along very well with and people I genuinely feel for at this time. However, recent decisions around their approval of ownership leave a lot to be desired, as does the EFL and FA's inability to recognise and block such a sham. And for the administrator to claim that their crash had been brought about by a pandemic is farcical.

It's about time an independent authority was appointed to control licences to own shares in football clubs. If you need a licence to own a dog you should need a licence to be responsible for such an important community asset that is so important to the vitality and viability of our towns and cities.

To be clear, we don't take pleasure in seeing this happen to other respectable clubs and deeply sympathise with their supporters. But football is rapidly becoming morally corrupt and any club spending 168p on wages for every £1

of income cannot claim sympathy from those trying to operate sustainably.

Clubs at every level are too greedy and self-serving, and so-called owners are way too egotistical and self-promoting to give a damn about the wider game. Our apparent beautiful game must be seen as a single living organism, if it is to survive, which means clubs and owners must think of themselves and take responsibility for their club and the game as custodians.

Wigan may be the first during our virus-hit world, but the signs have been there for years and they won't be the last. I would welcome external intervention by a more responsible party to govern our sport. If football cannot keep itself in check somebody else needs to.

Whilst business has been very difficult for us over the last four months, Luton Town will not be one of those clubs who will face administration. This is largely thanks to your generosity and support, for which we thank you from the bottom of our hearts. I can't underestimate how much more difficult it will be should our fate see us in League One next season, mostly and genuinely due to us having to take on Championship level debt when we'll need to recover with a fraction of Championship income, all of which has been outside our control. But we must remain confident of avoiding that horror for now, starting today.

Meanwhile, may I take this opportunity to thank all of those players who have recently departed, Luke Bolton, Jake Jervis, Lloyd Jones, Donervon Daniels and Frankie Musonda for their service to Luton Town. Particular warm wishes go out to Frankie, who has been one of my favourite young players by the way he has consistently conducted himself. Football can be such a cruel game at times.

In my next notes, I'll write more about the property and stadium side of the business, but suffice to say at the moment, whilst things will need some amendments, all is well and our plans are still very much on track, if delayed a little. Wherever you are, cheers the lads on today via iFollow and try not to spill beer over your keyboards! COYH

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Gary

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THE DRESSING ROOM



HARRY CORNICK

HATTERS FORWARD AFTER TUESDAY'S 1-1 DRAW AT LEADERS LEEDS

Harry Cornick was delighted to score his ninth goal of the season during the Hatters' 1-1 draw with Leeds on Tuesday night, which he described as a 'massive result' for the club.

The point at Elland Road means Town remain unbeaten since the Championship restart, picking up five points from the last three matches and moving closer towards safety in the process.

"It's a massive result," Cornick said. "It keeps the momentum going from the start of the mini-season, we remain unbeaten, five points on the board. It's a great point and a great result."

Nathan Jones called upon the forward from the substitutes' bench after he played 90 minutes in both the Preston and Swansea games. It took him just five minutes to make an impact after coming on at half-time, scoring a wonderful goal which he certainly downplayed after the full-time whistle!

"I get a lot of stick for my finishing, it's not the best but I'm working on it! Happy to find the back of the net and help the team get a result today, I'm happy for the goal, few more to come hopefully."

"It was a nice finish, I'm still thinking about Saturday's miss against Swansea with the left foot, that's the way I'm thinking about it but I'm happy to get a goal tonight, get my account up and running again. Hopefully I can personally kick on and get some more goals to help the team."

The games continue to come thick and fast for the Hatters, to which the former Bournemouth man admits he feels for the sport scientists behind the scenes.

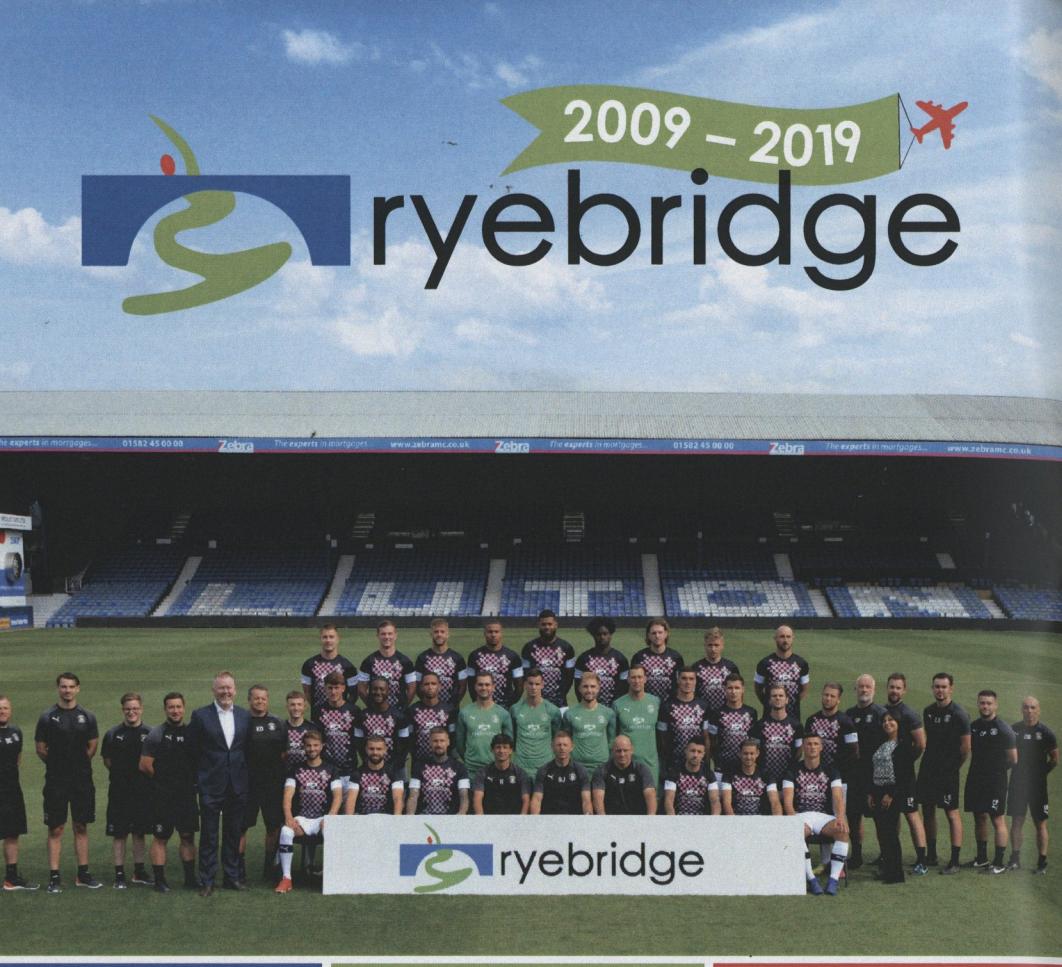
"Every sports science person is probably pulling their hair out at the minute, because the loads are so high," said Cornick. "Redders (James Redden, head of sports science) is constantly looking at how much you are running in training and how much you're doing in games to make sure you're not getting injured because it's a big factor at the minute."

"Everyone's got to try and stay fit and you're trying to maintain for games, you're not really trying to train, just try and learn your shape again and stay match fit."

Whether it's from the bench or starting from the off, the 25-year-old is motivated to perform to the best of his ability for the team, finishing by saying: "It is going to be a crazy few weeks, Saturday-Tuesday now until the end of the season, so no player can play all 90 minutes, I don't think."

"I know my part in the team, I know my role in the team. Everyone knows that when the gaffer came in, he said every player in the squad will be needed, so I know I wasn't going to start tonight but playing my part off the bench to try and do what I can for the team."

Words: Dan Briard



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THE PRESS BOX



SIMON OXLEY

BBC THREE COUNTIES RADIO'S LUTON TOWN REPORTER

There's so much we can do from today – going to the pub etc – although unfortunately you all being here at Kenilworth Road still isn't one of them.

Now I've sat many times in the old place watching a game with just a dozen or so others, be it a training session or a reserve game, but never a match that really mattered. Sometimes a reserve game had something interesting – a key player coming back from injury or a mystery trialist perhaps – but never have I sat in a ground without fans when three points were up for grabs.

I'm sure it won't be of much comfort to you still missing your "footie fix" but your club did everything possible in our limited surroundings to make the experience safe and re-assuring. I had wondered how the Preston players would socially distance in the away dressing room, but they were moved to the John Moore Lounge, presumably with the bar closed.

With my BBC issue mask safely in place, my afternoon started with a temperature check in the ticket office, followed by a climb up to the back of the main stand to access the pressbox below. Weighed

down with Covid extras such as extendable microphone pole, anti-bac wipes and hand sanitiser, this was a challenge. Some people expressed concern, after I posted a picture on Twitter, that my mask had slipped so I'm just giving you some background here. Only Match Of The Day have people to carry bags for them!

The teamsheets were emailed, but after that it was a familiar routine. You do become immersed in the game and while there were several different moments to describe – such as groundsman Richard Bird acting as ballboy at the Oak Road end – events on the pitch were much the same. I had wondered whether I would need to raise my voice as much if and when Luton scored, but with the players and coaching staff spread out in front of the pressbox there were plenty of celebrating voices to shout over.

The post-match interview, with two-metre microphone pole, was conducted pitchside at the bottom of the tunnel, and it was whilst waiting there that I got a look at the faces back at Kenilworth Road courtesy of the Luton Outlaws message board.

Mark Stephenson and his colleagues have done a wonderful job raising money to provide the cut-out boards, and there will be some more old friends back today. It was lovely to see Ian Pearce back, and he would have enjoyed being alongside Eric Morecambe and Andy King. The comments from Mark Ovendale's family in particular show just what these gestures have meant to people.

So that was my behind-closed doors experience. There was plenty to reflect on as I turned out of the Hazelbury Crescent car park. It was bumper to bumper on the Dunstable Road through Bury Park. Back to the normal.





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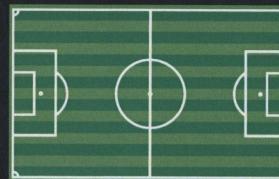
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KEEP AN EYE ON...

JOHN SWIFT

John Swift made his way through the Chelsea youth academy but his senior career at the beginning was spent away from Stamford Bridge, with loan spells at Rotherham United, Swindon Town and Brentford in the space of two years.

The promising youngster represented England at every youth level growing up and Reading snapped him up on a permanent deal in 2016, where he has since become a key figure in their midfield.

The 25-year-old is a creative player that has accumulated a number of goals and assists up until the league restart - scoring five goals himself and setting up a further ten for Mark Bowen's side before last weekend's game at Derby.



MANAGER:

MARK BOWEN

Mark Bowen had an 18-year playing career - turning out for the likes of Tottenham Hotspur, Norwich City, West Ham and Charlton Athletic.

He retired in 1999 and worked as an assistant to Mark Hughes for much of his coaching career with Wales, Blackburn Rovers, Manchester City and Southampton more recently, to name a few.

After Hughes was dismissed as Saints manager, Bowen was hired as a technical consultant at Reading in March 2019, and within a few months became the club's Sporting Director. He then succeeded Jose Gomes as manager in October and has remained in post ever since.

PLAYERS

GOALKEEPERS

#	NAME	AGE	NATIONALITY
01	SAM WALKER	28	ENGLAND
33	RAFAEL CABRAL	30	BRAZIL

DEFENDERS

#	NAME	AGE	NATIONALITY
02	CHRIS GUNTER	30	WALES
04	MICHAEL MORRISON	32	ENGLAND
05	MATT MIAZGA	24	USA
06	LIAM MOORE	27	ENGLAND
11	JORDAN OBITA	26	ENGLAND
16	TOM MCINTYRE	21	SCOTLAND
17	ANDY YIADOM	28	GHANA
24	TYLER BLACKETT	26	ENGLAND
27	OMAR RICHARDS	22	ENGLAND
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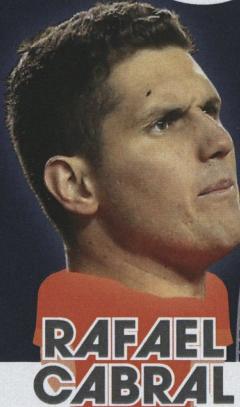
MIDFIELDERS

#	NAME	AGE	NATIONALITY
08	ANDY RINOMHOTA	23	ENGLAND
10	JOHN SWIFT	25	ENGLAND
12	GARATH MCCLEARY	33	JAMAICA
14	OVIE EJARIA	22	ENGLAND
20	FELIPE ARARUNA	24	BRAZIL
21	MICHAEL OLISE	18	FRANCE
26	CHARLIE ADAM	34	SCOTLAND
29	PELE	28	PORTUGAL

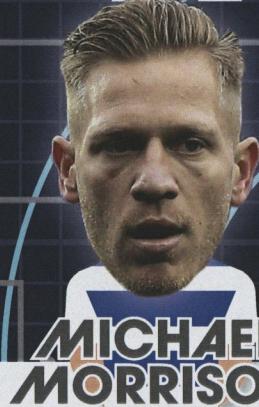
FORWARDS

#	NAME	AGE	NATIONALITY
09	SAM BALDOCK	31	ENGLAND
18	LUCAS BOYE	24	ARGENTINA
19	YAKOU MEITE	24	IVORY COAST
23	SONE ALUKO	31	NIGERIA
25	AYUB MASIKA	27	KENYA
31	LUCAS JOAO	26	PORTUGAL
47	GEORGE PUSCAS	24	ROMANIA

ON THE RADAR



RAFAEL CABRAL
Position: GOALKEEPER
Nationality: BRAZIL
DOB: 20/05/90
Height: 6ft 1in
Previous Club: Sampdoria
2019/20 League Appearances: 38
2019/20 League Clean Sheets: 10



MICHAEL MORRISON
Position: DEFENDER
Nationality: England
DOB: 03/03/88
Height: 6ft
Previous Club: Birmingham City
2019/20 League Appearances: 37
2019/20 League Goals: 2



OVIE EJARIA
Position: MIDFIELDER
Nationality: England
DOB: 18/11/97
Height: 6ft
Previous Club: On loan from Liverpool
2019/20 League Appearances: 35
2019/20 League Goals: 3



GEORGE PUSCAS
Position: STRIKER
Nationality: Romania
DOB: 08/04/96
Height: 6ft 2in
Previous Club: Inter Milan
2019/20 League Appearances: 24
2019/20 League Goals: 9

Rafael progressed his way through the ranks with Santos, where he began his youth career in 2003. He spent ten years in Brazil and made 94 appearances for the club at senior level, before Napoli signed him in 2013.

Prior to moving to Serie A, he made his international debut for Brazil and played in the 2012 Olympics, winning a silver medal.

Throughout his time in Italy he was mainly used as a number two but since joining Reading in 2019, he has been the main man in between the sticks.

He made his debut against Wycombe Wanderers in the Carabao Cup and saved two penalties in the shoot-out victory.

Michael Morrison successfully worked his way up from the Conference National with Cambridge to become a Championship regular at a number of clubs throughout his career.

The now 32-year-old arrived on the scene in senior football in 2005 before he moved to Leicester City in 2008 – contributing to their Championship promotion in 2009.

After the Foxes, Morrison spent time at Sheffield Wednesday before four years at Charlton Athletic.

St Andrew's was next his next destination and he went on to spend five years as a Birmingham City player, before joining Reading at the start of the season.

Ovie Ejaria is a talented, creative midfielder currently on loan at Reading from Liverpool, who he joined in 2014 after spending the majority of his youth career with Arsenal.

He has made two appearances for the Reds' first team, but his progress has been best served with loan spells, the likes of whom include Sunderland, Rangers and now Reading.

He originally joined the Royals in January 2019 on loan, but they renewed his deal and have since agreed an obligation to sign Ejaria permanently at the end of the season.

His flair and goal-providing ability has been strong this season, having provided four assists, while scoring three times himself.

George Puscas started out at Liberty Oradea in Romania, before earning himself a move to Inter Milan in 2013. His time however was largely spent away from the San Siro, with loan spells at Bari, Benevento, Novara and Palermo.

Though he didn't set the world alight at club level, Puscas made a real name for himself in the 2019 Under-21 UEFA European Championship – scoring nine times in qualifying and four times in the tournament itself as Romania reached the semi-finals.

His name was touted with a number of clubs after his eye-catching performances, but Reading secured his services and he became an instant hit when scoring twice on his home debut against Cardiff City.

RELEASED & RETAINED

Farewell to five Hatters, plus loanee Luke Bolton, as Kenilworth Road contracts come to an end

We would like to publicly thank five players who left the club after their current contracts came to an end this week, as well as loanee Luke Bolton who returned to parent club Manchester City.

Departing Kenilworth Road on Tuesday were goalkeeper Marek Stech, defenders Frankie Musonda, Donervon Daniels and Lloyd Jones, along with forward Jake Jervis.

Marek arrived from Sparta Prague in the summer of 2017 and became an instant fans' favourite with some fantastic saves as the Hatters won promotion from League Two. He was named in the PFA team of the season, before helping the Town win the League One title last season. He departs having made 49 appearances in his three years as a Hatter, and has already signed for League Two side Mansfield Town.

Frankie, 22, came through the academy having joined at the age of eight in 2006. Famously winning the Aarau Masters as an Under-11 in 2009, he went on to captain the U18 team that reached the FA Youth Cup quarter-final in 2015-16 as well as winning an EFL Youth Alliance league and cup double.

Nathan Jones handed him his senior debut away to Mansfield early in his first spell in charge in 2016, and he went on to make 14 senior appearances, scoring once in the Checkatrade Trophy win at Gillingham in August of the same year, before gaining experience during loan spells with Oxford City, Braintree, Hemel Hempstead and St Albans City.

Donervon scored one goal – a memorable one in the January win over Derby – having signed just before the transfer deadline last summer, while Lloyd and Jake both helped the Town complete the League Two promotion having signed on deadline day of the January transfer window in 2018, before spending spells out on loan during the past two seasons. Both men leave the Hatters with 14 appearances and one goal to their name.

We also say farewell to two second-year scholars, with midfielder Josh Boorn and forward Jonas Kalonda leaving the club after serving their apprenticeship.

Everyone at Kenilworth Road would like to wish those seven players every success in their future career. They have all played a part in the club's progression, whether they have been

here for a single season, or for 15 years like Frankie – who we are proud to call 'one of our own'.

We can confirm that our other players whose original contracts were due to expire on June 30th – Luke Berry, Jacob Butterfield, Danny Hylton, Elliot Lee, Callum McManaman and Glen Rea – will remain part of the Town squad for the duration of the extended season.

Discussions with the parent clubs of our loanees to extend their current deals continued throughout the week ahead of Friday's deadline, with James Bree, Cameron Carter-Vickers, Izzy Brown and Eunan O'Kane all agreeing to stay on.

Bolton returned to the Etihad, however, having made 28 appearances for the Town, and we thank him for his efforts both on the pitch and off it, having been a model professional, getting involved in many community activities.

From the academy, we are delighted to announce that defender Avan Jones signed his first professional contract this week (*pictured below*) and will continue his development in the Under-23 set-up alongside fellow young pros Jake Peck, Corey Panter, Josh Neufville, Sam Beckwith and Tiernan Parker.

Congratulations also to seven of our Under-16 squad who have been offered scholarships with the academy – Josh Allen, Eddie Corbitt, Aidan Francis, Ed McJannet, Tyrelle Newton, Josh Swan and Adam Wedd.



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CLASSIC CLASH

CLUB HISTORIAN ROGER WASH
DELVES INTO HIS ARCHIVES...

28.03.1970 | LUTON TOWN 5 READING 0 | DIVISION THREE

The Town narrowly failed to win promotion from Division Three (now League One) in 1969, finishing third behind Watford and Swindon at a time when only two teams went up and there were no play-offs to look forward to.

Determined not to let this happen again the players started off the following campaign like potential champions and it was not until the 14th game, at Doncaster, that defeat was tasted for the first time.

New signing from Fulham, Malcolm Macdonald, was proving a real handful to Third Division defences and certainly looked like proving the bargain of the century. Manager Alec Stock was using the money received from the sale of Bruce Rioch to Aston Villa wisely and added quality to the squad from a position of strength, bringing in Matt Tees and Chris Nicholl once the new season was underway.

It has never been understood or fully explained why the promotion push took a huge dive over Christmas but the Hatters lost four games in a row including the first home defeats for 20 months. A 5-1 defeat at Shrewsbury during this period was probably the low point, but the 2-0 reversal at home to Plymouth, in front of the 'Match of the Day' cameras was highly embarrassing especially as it was the club's first time as the main feature match.

Although the terrible run ended with a 3-1 victory at Bury, followed by a 4-0 thumping of Doncaster, only one point was

picked up from the next three away games and by the time of the visit to Reading on March 11th, the chances of promotion to Division Two (now the Championship) were looking slim as the Town were pushed back to fifth place in the table.

At the time Reading were going through a purple patch and had not lost for 15 games, in a run going back to the previous November, and sat in fourth position. Manager Jack Mansell, who had just picked up the 'Manager of the Month' award, had carried out a major clearout at Elm Park during the close season, with the result that Dennis Allen was the only player left from the regular side of the previous campaign.

Such was the interest in the game, especially from a Reading point of view, that a crowd of 18,783 turned up, which was never bettered in the League at Elm Park subsequently. The attendance would doubtless have been even higher were it not for the atrocious weather that saw the pitch quickly turn into a quagmire.

The game kicked off with Reading fielding only ten men as goalkeeper Steve Death had been held up in traffic, but stand-in Dennis Butler did not have the chance to save a shot before being replaced by the breathless latecomer.

Most of the early play belonged to the Hatters who boasted physically bigger and stronger players more suited to the conditions, and Macdonald was unlucky with a header that cannoned off the bar.

Gradually, however, Reading came more into the game with their close passing style and Luton full-back Fred Jardine was



MALCOLM MACDONALD STROKES HOME HIS HAT-TRICK GOAL IN THE 5-0 WIN OVER READING IN 1970

forced to head off the line from Dick Habbin with goalkeeper Sandy Davie out of position.

The second half continued to be an absorbing contrast of styles, with Reading winning the corner count by a considerable margin but the Town looked the more dangerous on the break with their powerful front runners Macdonald and Tees.

It was those two players that eventually turned the game to the Town's favour when, with only twenty seconds remaining, Tees hammered a long ball down the middle to Macdonald who ploughed through the mud, fighting off his marker, before skipping past Death to plant the ball into an empty net. The promotion bandwagon was rolling again.

The return game was played two weeks later, over Easter, and by this time the League positions had been reversed with the Hatters also having games in hand over the leaders. Rotherham had been seen off 2-1 at Kenilworth Road the previous day when League debuts had

been handed to goalkeeper Alan Starling and forward Viv Busby, and it was decided to retain these two for the visit of Reading.

A crowd of 14,401 was present to see an even first half which was punctuated by a goal from Macdonald after 11 minutes, when he played a wall pass with Busby before slamming the ball past Death.

The second period was only a minute old, however, when Macdonald doubled his tally after running 50 yards with the ball before hitting it home with, what was now becoming typical power.

The inevitable hat-trick came shortly afterwards when Macdonald scored from close range and he then set up Busby on the hour for a simple tap-in for his first Luton goal.

The scoreline was extended to 5-0 just before the end when winger Mike Harrison finished off a smart move, pushing the Town up to second place, a position that was held until the end of the season.



STARLING
RYAN
BANNISTER
SLOUGH
BRANSTON
MOORE
COLLINS
BUSBY
MACDONALD
KEEN
HARRISON



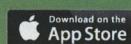
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MORGAN
BUTLER
B WAGSTAFF
ALLEN
SHARPE
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TOWN

BERESFORD, EDWARDS, DAVIS (HOLMES), BARNETT, HEIKKINEN, BRKOVIC, NICHOLLS, FOLEY, MORGAN (SHOWUNMI), HOWARD, VINE (FEENEY)

READING

HAHNEMANN, MURTY, SHOREY, SON-KO, INGIMARSSON, OSTER (LITA), GUNNARSON, HARPER, CONVEY (HUNT), DOYLE, KITSON.



DEAN MORGAN NETS THE TOWN'S THIRD GOAL AGAINST THE ROYALS

The Town's first season back in the Championship for nine years started off with a bang with the team becoming early pacesetters, but gradually things went off the boil as the club attempted to compete with the big boys who had larger squads and deeper pockets.

Having said that, by the time of the visit of runaway leaders Reading in February, the Hatters were still in tenth spot and although recent results had not been brilliant, a full Kenilworth Road under the lights with Sky TV cameras present could only act as a spur to the players.

Since losing on the opening day, the Roy-

als had gone 33 games unbeaten and were 12 points clear at the top. They needed little time to show the TV viewers that they meant business, taking the lead after only 18 seconds when deputy central defender Leon Barnett slipped and let in predatory Reading forward Kevin Doyle, who made no mistake.

Barnett did not let the error affect him as from then on he put in a masterful display, which allowed the team to put pressure on the Royals defence.

The pressure finally told on 20 minutes when Rowan Vine exchanged passes with Steve Howard before slotting the ball home, and five minutes later he was on the end of a Kevin Foley cut-back to side foot the ball in.

The third goal had to wait until shortly after the interval when former Royal, the frustrating but talented Dean Morgan, toyed with the Reading defence before wrong footing Marcus Hahnemann in the Royals' goal.

The game then drifted until Doyle headed home in the 90th minute to set up a grandstand finale as four minutes added time was played out.

Fortunately the impressive Luton defence stood firm as anything other than a Hatters victory would have been a travesty.

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

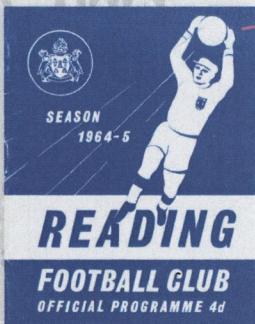
SEPTEMBER 1936.

Joe Payne scores his first hat-trick of a record breaking season as Reading are seen off 4-0 at Kenilworth Road.



DECEMBER 1963.

John O'Rourke makes his Luton debut but is not on the scoresheet as the Hatters beat Reading 2-1 at Kenilworth Road – the Town's first win in seven.



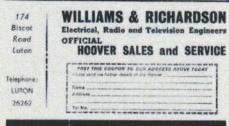
NOVEMBER 1964.

The Hatters win 2-1 at Elm Park, their first victory in a dismal run of 17 games. It is also the first time the Town have won at Reading in the League since 1923!



FEBRUARY 1969.

The Town are 2-0 up and cruising but after Reading's veteran defender Dick Spiers is dismissed they throw the kitchen sink at the Luton defence and are unlucky not to come away with a point.

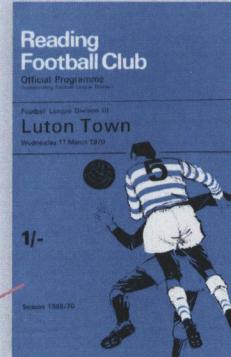


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MARCH 1970.

A pulsating game in atrocious conditions at Elm Park is settled by a last minute winner from Malcolm Macdonald who ploughs through the mud before slotting the ball home.



DECEMBER 1994.

Midfields dominate in a hard fought 0-0 Boxing Day draw at Elm Park with chances few and far between. Royal's Steve Lovell hits a post near the end but in truth neither side deserves the three points.



MARCH 1999.

News that the Hatters are in receivership galvanises the players. Graham Alexander misses an early penalty, Matthew Spring opens the scoring, the Town spurn many chances and then concede a late leveller.



JANUARY 2000.

Two goal Liam George steals the show in a 3-1 home win over the Royals who have now gone 13 games without a victory.

GLEN REA'S

FAVOURITE THINGS



Nickname: Glen!
DOB: 03.09.1994
Position: Midfielder



▲ GAME THAT YOU'VE PLAYED IN

Swindon away. I felt like it just all came together.



▼ GOAL?

The Grimsby one because it was my first in professional football.

TEAM AS A KID: Brighton & Hove Albion.
I still support them.



MOVIE: A Spanish film I watched at the cinema the other day, Birds of Passage. Best film I've ever seen at the cinema.



▲ MEAL: Any Thai food, I love Thai food.



FIVE-A-SIDE TEAM

GK Christian Walton
DF Luke O'Neill
CM Luke Gambin
CM Cameron McGeehan
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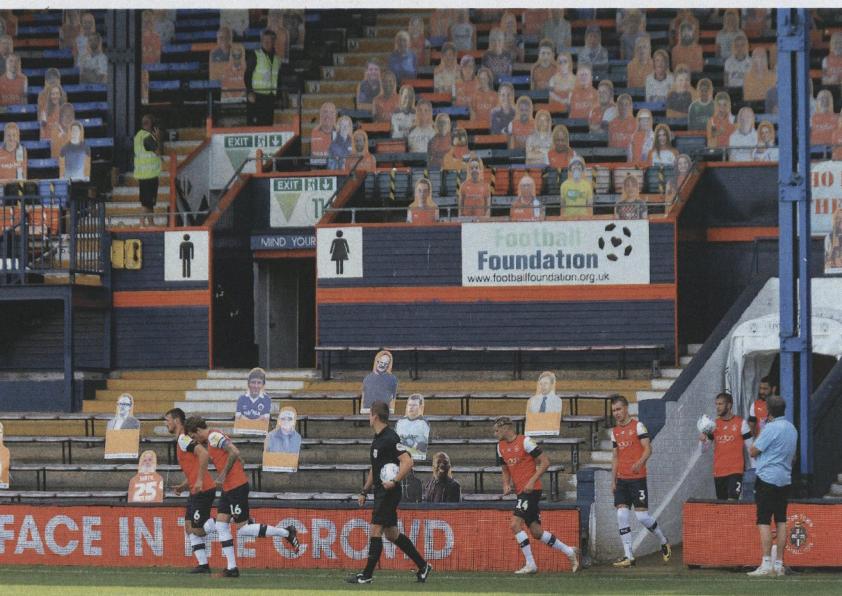
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TOWN GOAL: McMANAMAN 87

PRESTON GOAL: SINCLAIR 52



SLUGA
CRANIE
(BREE 75)
PEARSON
(BRADLEY 84)
CARTER-VICKERS
POTTS
REA
(MONCUR 75)
TUNNICLIFFE
MPANZU
BROWN
(MCMANAMAN 75)
CORNICK
COLLINS
(HYLTON 84)

SUBS NOT USED

SHEA
BUTTERFIELD
SHINNIE
LEE

YELLOW CARDS

REA



RUDD
BROWNE
HUGHES
BAUER
DAVIES
GALLAGHER
(FISHER 77)
BARKHUIZEN
(BODIN 90+1)
JOHNSON
(STOCKLEY 90+2)
SINCLAIR
(POTTS 77)
MAGUIRE
(NUGENT 65)

SUBS NOT USED

RIPLEY
STOREY
HARROP
LEDSON

YELLOW CARD

NONE

STORY OF THE MATCH

A late Callum McManaman goal earned the Hatters a 1-1 draw against Preston in Nathan Jones' first game back as Town boss.

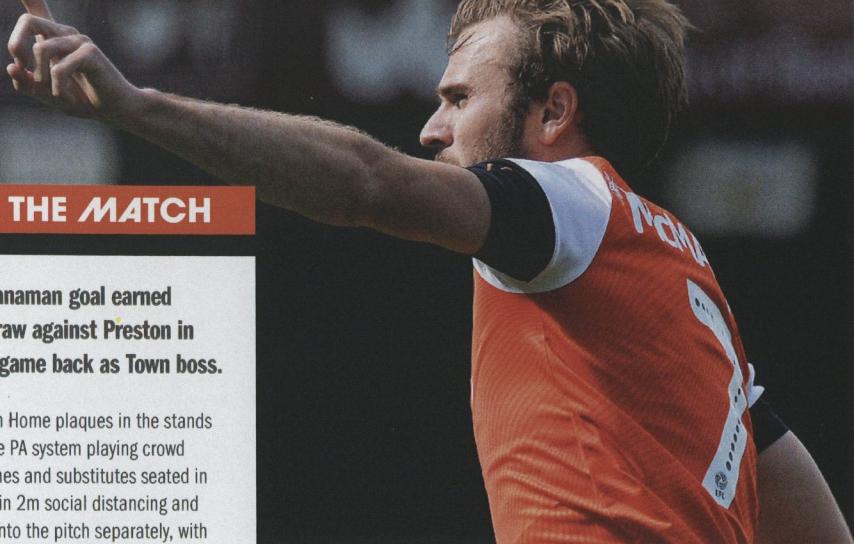
With Hatters Home From Home plaques in the stands featuring fans' faces, the PA system playing crowd noise and chants, coaches and substitutes seated in the Enclosure to maintain 2m social distancing and the teams coming out onto the pitch separately, with the visitors changing in the John Moore Lounge and emerging through the Main Stand to the right of the halfway line, the first game back after the Covid-19 suspension had a surreal feel without the usual capacity crowd driving the Town on.

The players wore rainbow badges on their shirts and a period of applause took place before kick-off to say thank you to the NHS and key workers, before the players and officials took a knee in support of Black Lives Matter.

Town keeper Simon Sluga pulled off excellent first-half saves to keep out Preston captain Paul Gallagher and forward Sean Maguire, before Scott Sinclair gave North End a deserved lead in the 52nd minute.

The trademark never-say-die spirit of Jones' first spell resurfaced, however, and after some stout defending from many, not least man-of-the-match Cameron Carter-Vickers, McManaman's curler from 18 yards, bending away from Declan Rudd, brought Town level three minutes from time.

They might have won it a minute later, Ryan Tunnicliffe firing inches over the bar from range, but a solitary point in the fight against the drop would have to be enough.



SWANSEA CITY 0 LUTON TOWN 1

TOWN GOAL: COLLINS 72



SLUGA
PEARSON
CARTER-VICKERS
BRADLEY
POTTS
(CRANIE 90+7)
REA
MPANZU
BUTTERFIELD
(BROWN 59)
LEE (BREE 69)
CORNICK
(HYLTON 90+7)
COLLINS

SUBS NOT USED

SHEA, CRANIE,
TUNNICLIFFE,
MCMANAMAN, SHINNIE,
MONCUR

YELLOW CARDS

REA, MPANZU,
BUTTERFIELD



WOODMAN
ROBERTS
CABANGO
(ROUTLEDGE 86)
WILMOT
BIDWELL
FULTON (BYERS 58)
GRIMES
KALULU (GARRICK 45)
GALLAGHER
AYEW
BREWSTER

SUBS NOT USED

GUEHI, RODON, DYER,
DHANDA, MULDER,
NAUGHTON

YELLOW CARDS

WILMOT, GALLAGHER
RED CARD

GARRICK



STORY OF THE MATCH

By Dylan Bhundia

James Collins' second half header earned Luton a hard-fought 1-0 victory over play-off contenders Swansea City, giving Nathan Jones his first win since returning to the club.

In front of an empty Liberty Stadium, the Hatters started brightly with Dan Potts going close at the back post from an early corner, whilst at the other end Town stopper Simon Sluga denied Andre Ayew from close range.

Harry Cornick spurned Luton's best chance of the half, cutting in onto his left foot but firing over from outside the six-yard box.

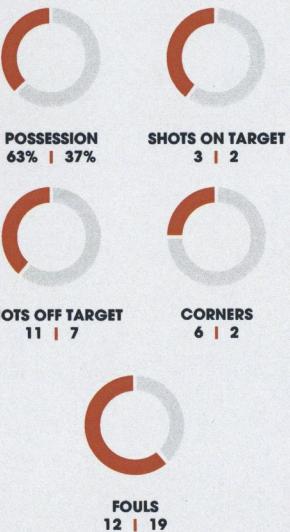
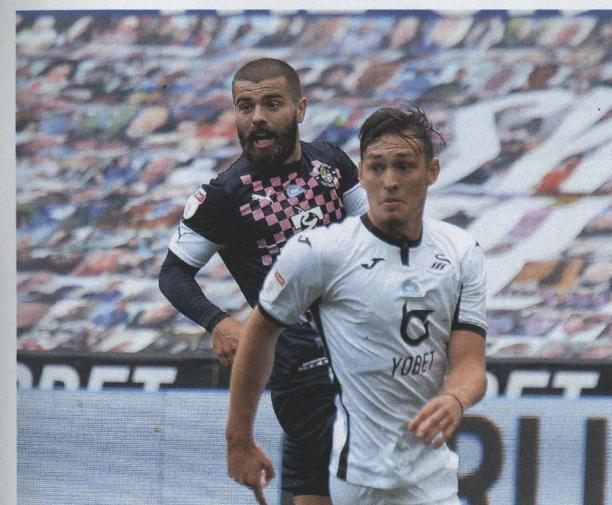
Luton went into the break the better of the two sides, but it was Swansea who dominated the early stages of the second-half,

with Sluga once again denying Ayew from point blank range.

As proved decisive in securing a point the previous week against Preston, it was Luton's never-say-die attitude that earned all three points.

Against the run of play, substitute Izzy Brown's delivery from the right was met by Collins, whose header proved too powerful for the left glove of Swansea keeper Freddie Woodman.

Luton bravely saw out the remaining 18 minutes plus nine added on, moving them to within three points of Championship safety with seven games to play going into Tuesday night's game against Leeds at Elland Road.



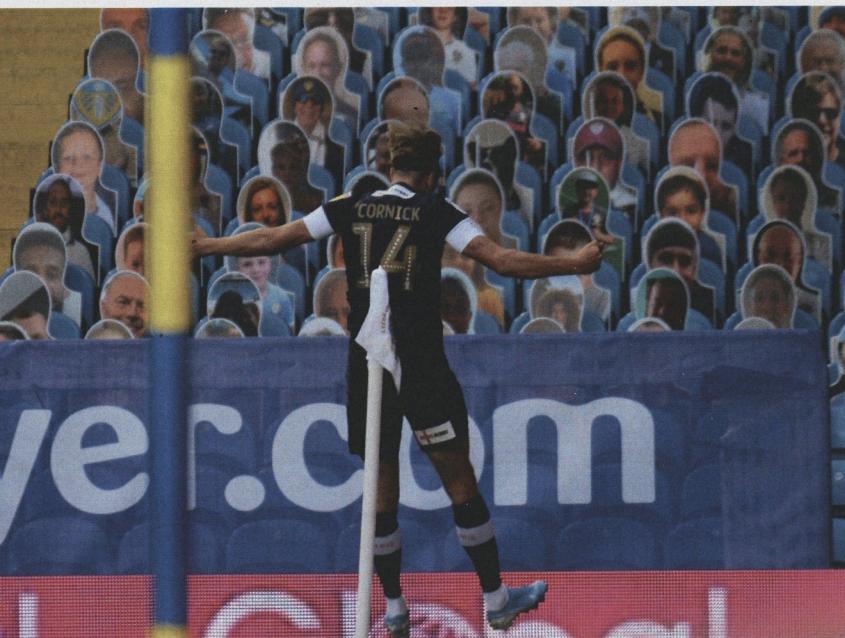
LEEDS UNITED

LUTON TOWN

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LEEDS GOAL: DALLAS 63
TOWN GOAL: CORNICK 50



SLUGA
 BREE
 PEARSON
 CARTER-VICKERS
 BRADLEY
 POTTS
 TUNNICLIFFE
 CRANIE
 (COLLINS 64)
 MPANZU
 HYLTON
 (BOLTON 64)
 MCMANAMAN
 (CORNICK 46)

SUBS NOT USED

SHEA, LEE, SHINNIE,
 MONCUR, BROWN,
 BUTTERFIELD

YELLOW CARDS

POTTS, CORNICK,
 CARTER-VICKERS,
 MCMANAMAN



MESLIER
 AYLING
 WHITE
 COOPER (BERARDI 12 /
 ALIOSKI 45)
 DALLAS
 (SHACKLETON 90+4)
 PHILLIPS
 HELDER COSTA
 KLIB
 (HERNANDEZ 61)
 ROBERTS
 HARRISON
 BAMFORD

SUBS NOT USED

DOUGLAS, STRUIJK,
 POVEDA-OCAMPO,
 MIAZEK, GOTTS

YELLOW CARD

NONE

STORY OF THE MATCH

A resilient Luton performance helped them on their way to a valuable point against top of the table Leeds United on Tuesday evening.

Stuart Dallas equalised for Leeds after Harry Cornick's composed 50th-minute finish, but the Hatters held on for the remaining half-an-hour, making it five points from three games since the restart.

Leeds started the brighter, with Simon Sluga making a fine early save to deny Patrick Bamford his 15th goal of the season. At the other end, James Bree's free-kicks were causing problems, with Dan Potts and Sonny Bradley going close at the back post in a comfortable first half for Luton, where they largely controlled their high-flying hosts.

Nathan Jones introduced Cornick in place of Callum McManaman at half-time, and five minutes later he broke the deadlock. Having been released by an inch-perfect Ryan Tunnicliffe pass, Cornick cut in from the left of the area and produced a wonderful curling effort that nestled in the top corner, leaving Leeds keeper Illan Meslier with no chance.

Sluga continued his brilliant form since the season restart as Leeds upped the tempo, producing a string of fine saves, the best of which being a fantastic double save from a free-kick to deny Luke Ayling and Ezgjan Alioski.

Dallas equalised with 30 minutes to go, but Jones' men once again showed tremendous character to seal a positive point on the road and edge closer towards the safety line.

Words: Dylan Bhundia



POSSESSION
 75% | 25%



SHOTS ON TARGET
 9 | 2



SHOTS OFF TARGET
 14 | 1



CORNERS
 15 | 1



FOULS
 9 | 10

FIXTURES & RESULTS

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Millwall	21.12.19 1-2	26.02.20 0-0	14.07.20 -	29.12.19 1-0	29.02.20 1-1	22.10.19 2-2	09.11.19 2-3	20.06.20 1-1	12.02.20 1-1	22.07.20 1-1	31.08.19 1-2	05.10.19 1-0	01.01.20 3-1	08.07.20 1-2	-	06.12.19 2-2	03.08.19 1-0	21.09.19 1-2	18.01.20 2-0	17.08.19 2-0	26.10.19 1-0	30.06.20 1-1	09.02.20 0-2	26.11.19 2-2	
Nottingham Forest	21.09.19 1-0	17.08.19 3-0	01.01.20 3-2	05.10.19 1-0	01.07.20 1-0	30.11.19 0-1	11.02.20 0-1	09.11.19 1-0	07.07.20 1-0	28.06.20 3-1	23.10.19 1-2	08.02.20 2-0	19.01.20 3-1	10.12.19 1-1	06.03.20 0-3	-	31.08.19 1-1	22.02.20 1-0	22.01.20 1-1	14.12.19 0-4	22.07.20 1-1	15.07.20 1-2	03.08.19 1-0	29.12.19 1-0	
Preston North End	05.10.19 5-1	18.07.20 -	26.10.19 3-2	14.09.19 2-0	28.09.19 3-3	27.06.20 1-3	18.01.20 2-1	01.02.20 0-1	10.12.19 2-1	09.11.19 3-1	22.02.20 2-1	22.10.19 2-1	14.12.19 2-1	01.01.20 0-2	15.02.20 0-1	11.07.20 -	07.03.20 1-3	29.12.19 0-2	24.08.19 1-2	21.08.19 1-1	01.02.20 1-1	02.12.19 0-1	10.08.19 3-0	03.08.19 1-0	
Queens Park Rangers	20.06.20 0-1	29.02.20 2-2	05.10.19 4-2	28.10.19 1-3	01.02.20 0-1	01.01.20 6-1	21.12.19 2-2	25.02.20 1-2	30.06.20 1-1	10.08.19 1-2	29.12.19 1-0	14.09.19 3-2	09.11.19 2-2	18.07.20 2-2	27.11.19 0-4	18.07.20 2-0	27.11.19 2-2	-	22.10.19 1-1	11.07.20 2-2	15.02.20 4-2	21.08.19 1-3	28.09.19 1-2	24.08.19 3-1	20.08.19 0-2
Reading	29.02.20 2-0	07.12.19 2-3	21.09.19 1-2	30.06.20 0-3	28.01.20 0-1	18.08.19 3-0	31.08.19 1-4	21.12.19 0-1	01.10.19 1-4	07.07.20 0-1	08.02.20 3-0	26.11.19 1-0	09.11.19 3-0	14.07.20 2-1	11.01.20 1-0	-	14.07.20 1-1	11.01.20 1-0	19.10.19 1-0	-	03.08.19 1-3	20.06.20 1-1	22.07.20 1-2	12.02.20 0-3	26.02.20 1-0
Sheffield Wednesday	10.08.19 2-0	27.11.19 1-1	18.01.20 0-5	07.12.19 2-1	22.12.19 1-2	29.12.19 1-0	26.02.20 1-3	29.02.20 1-1	21.09.19 1-1	14.07.20 1-0	01.01.20 0-1	26.10.19 0-0	20.08.19 1-0	22.07.20 1-0	11.07.20 0-2	01.02.20 0-2	01.02.20 0-2	08.07.20 0-2	31.08.19 1-2	15.02.20 0-3	24.08.19 1-0	21.08.19 1-0	01.02.20 1-0	02.12.19 0-3	05.10.19 1-0
Stoke City	04.07.20 -	12.07.20 1-2																							

FIXTURES 2019-20

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WHO, WHEN AND WHERE THE HATTERS ARE PLAYING THIS SEASON

DATE	TIME	H/A	OPPOSITION	SCORE	ATT	AWAY	POS	PENALTY (F)	PENALTY (A)	OWN GOALS	SENT OFF	OPP. SENT OFF	STECH	CRANE	POTTS	TUNNICLIFFE	BRADLEY	PEARSON	MOMANAMAN	BERRY	HYLTON	LEE	SUB TIMES										SENT OFF				
AUGUST																																					
Fri 2	7.45pm	H	Middlesbrough	D 3-3	10,053	960	1	-	*	-	-	-	1	1	c	*	a																				7,17,24,37,68,85
Sat 10	3.00pm	A	Cardiff City	L 1-2	24,724	2,064	17	-	-	-	-	-	b	y	c	*	a																			52,86,95	
Tue 13	7.45pm	H	Ipswich (Carabao Cup R1)	W 3-1	5,433	1,064	-	1	-	-	-	-	a		c	*	1py																			8,18,55,74	
Sat 17	3.00pm	H	West Bromwich Albion	L 1-2	10,059	1,033	23	-	-	-	-	-	y	b		*																				15,48,51	
Tue 20	7.45pm	A	Sheffield Wednesday	L 0-1	23,353	790	22	-	-	-	-	-	a		y																					54	
Sat 24	3.00pm	A	Barnsley	W 3-1	13,250	1,175	18	-	-	-	-	-			b																					24,31,72	
Tue 28	7.45pm	A	Cardiff (Carabao Cup R2)	W 3-0	4,111	232	-	-	1	-	-	-	*	*																						43,63,69	
Sat 31	3.00pm	H	Huddersfield Town	W 2-1	10,062	1,038	15	1	-	-	-	-																								47,57,66	
SEPTEMBER																																					
Sat 14	3.00pm	A	Queens Park Rangers	L 2-3	16,186	2,943	16	-	-	-	-	-																							3,20,28,36,48		
Sat 21	3.00pm	H	Hull City	L 0-3	10,066	1,033	21	-	-	-	-	-	c																						63,87,90		
Tue 24	7.45pm	H	Leicester (Carabao Cup R3)	L 0-4	8,216	1,500	-	-	-	-	-		*	*	c		b																		34,44,79,86		
Sat 28	3.00pm	A	Blackburn Rovers	W 2-1	15,319	1,326	17	-	-	-	-	-	y	1	a	b	*																		17,37,57		
OCTOBER																																					
Wed 2	7.45pm	H	Millwall	D 1-1	10,049	1,032	17	-	-	-	-	-					b1																		60,86		
Sat 5	3.00pm	A	Derby County	L 0-2	27,944	2,606	18	-	-	1	-	-					a		*																	11,70	
Sat 19	3.00pm	H	Bristol City	W 3-0	10,064	1,032	16	-	-	1	-	-					b																		56,62,94		
Wed 23	7.45pm	A	Fulham	L 2-3	18,082	1,970	18	-	-	-	-	-	1	y	c																			16,53,60,67,90			
Sat 26	3.00pm	A	Birmingham City	L 1-2	21,799	2,676	19	-	-	-	-	-	y	b	a																			45,67,82			
NOVEMBER																																					
Sat 2	3.00pm	H	Nottingham Forest	L 1-2	10,053	1,017	21	-	-	-	-	-					b1																		33,59,70		
Sat 9	3.00pm	A	Reading	L 0-3	15,251	2,097	21	-	-	-	-	-																							22,30,79		
Sat 23	3.00pm	H	Leeds United	L 1-2	10,068	1,035	21	-	-	-	-	-					b																		51,54,90		
Tue 26	7.45pm	H	Charlton Athletic	W 2-1	10,004	1,032	20	-	-	-	-	-	y	a	*																			7,19,53			
Sat 30	3.00pm	A	Brentford	L 0-7	11,287	1,630	21	2	-	-	-	-																						6,30,33,40,45,3,87,71			
DECEMBER																																					
Sat 7	3.00pm	H	Wigan Athletic	W 2-1	10,011	667	20	-	-	-	1	-	a		1c	c																		20,60,71			
Tue 10	8.00pm	A	Stoke City	L 0-3	20,216	769	21	-	-	-	-	-					*	b																	91,35,87,93		
Sat 14	3.00pm	A	Preston North End	L 1-2	12,063	865	21	1	-	-	-	-					a	y	c	by															35,45,50		
Sat 21	3.00pm	H	Swansea City	L 0-1	10,062	1,032	21	-	-	-	-	-					b		c	b														5,43,84			
Thu 26	3.00pm	H	Fulham	D 3-3	10,068	1,032	22	-	-	-	-	-	*	*			a																	82			
Sun 29	3.00pm	A	Bristol City	L 0-3	22,216	1,109	23	-	-	-	-	-	*	*			a	b	y	y	*	y											6,44,66				
JANUARY																																					
Wed 1	12.45pm	A	Millwall	L 1-3	12,134	945	24	-	-	1	-	-	*		1	a	a																41,69,78,81				
Sat 4	5.31pm	A	AFC B'mouth (FA Cup R3)	L 0-4	10,064	1,714	-	-	-	-	-					*																		8,67,79,82			
Sat 11	3.00pm	H	Birmingham City	L 1-2	10,062	1,035	24	1	-	-	1	-	*	a	c		c	*																86,162,89			
Sun 19	12.00pm	A	Nottingham Forest	L 1-3	27,081	1,554	24	-	1	-	-	-	y	y		*	b		1a	by	a	*											23,36,57,90				
Tue 28	7.45pm	H	Derby County	W 3-2	10,057	1,033	24	-	1	-	1	-	*	*	a	*	c		1y	*	*												88,63,73,85,86				
FEBRUARY																																					
Sat 1	3.00pm	A	West Bromwich Albion	L 0-2	25,141	1,534	24	-	1	-	-	-	y	a		c	*																61,73,73				
Sat 8	3.00pm	H	Cardiff City	L 0-1	10,049	1,000	24	-	-	-	-	*	b		a	*																	73				
Wed 12	7.45pm	H	Sheffield Wednesday	W 1-0	10,001	1,018	23	-	-	-	-	*				*																	23				
Sat 15	3.00pm	A	Middlesbrough	W 1-0	19,734	800	23	-	-	-	-	*	by	a	1	*	y	*																71,76,83			
Sat 22	3.00pm	A	Charlton Athletic	L 1-3	18,969	2,785	24	-	-	-	-	*	*	y	a	*																	70,70,82				
Tue 25	7.45pm	H	Brentford	W 2-1	10,008	1,032	23	-	1	-	-	*	1	y		*																	87				
Sat 29	3.00pm	H	Stoke City	D 1-1	10,070	1,040	23	1	-	-	*	*	b	y	c	*			1	a	b													58,66,73			
MARCH																																					
Sat 7	3.00pm	A	Wigan Athletic	D 0-0	10,292	1,312	23	-	-	-	-	*				*	*	*	a	y	*													81			
JUNE																																					

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

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

KIT SPONSORS 19/20

To find out more information about kit sponsorships, contact our commercial team on 01582 411622

MAREK STECH
01
H: Mr & Mrs Bright A: Available T: Available G: The Nunn Family

MARTIN CRANIE
02
H: SAM Beast Consulting LTD A: Available T: Available

DAN POTTS
03
H: Doug Knight A: Available T: Available

RYAN TUNNICLIFFE
04
H: J Block & Luton Awaydays A: Available T: Available

SONNY BRADLEY
05
H: Ian, Linda and Joe Bobbers Travel Club A: Available T: Available

MATTY PEARSON
06
H: ABS Thermal Insulations A: Chris, Steve & Rob Nicoll T: Available

CALLUM McMANAMAN
07
H: 1981 Events A: TP Extrusions Ltd T: Available

LUKE BERRY
08
H: WHOSH A: Available T: Available

DANNY HYLTON
09
H: Richard & Ben Banks A: Available T: Available

ELLIOT LEE
10
H: Julian & Anne Hyde A: Available T: Available

ANDREW SHINNIE
11
H: Peter & Linda Little A: Tommy Lennon T: Available

SIMON SLUGA
12
H: NLAF A: Curly, Matt & Jeffrey Guide Dog G: John Wheeler

HARRY CORNICK
14
H: Emma & Betsy Banks A: Kelly Knight T: Scandinavian Hatters

GLEN REA
16
H: Kelchner Brewery A: LTFC Fool T: Available

PELLY-RUDDOCK MPANZU
17
H: Dean Kemp A: WHOSH T: Available

CAMERON CARTER-VICKERS
18
H: Available A: Available T: Available

JAMES COLLINS
19
H: Tim Fordham A: MADS T: Alex Nunn

GEORGE MONCUR
20
H: Tradeline Recruitment Ltd A: SAM Beast Consulting LTD T: Available

LUKE BOLTON
22
H: Ian & Helen Hull A: Available T: Available

BRENDAN GALLOWAY
23
H: SAM Beast Consulting LTD A: Marston Vale Properties T: Available

IZZY BROWN
24
H: Doug Knight A: Available T: Available

KAZENGA LUALUA
25
H: Holy Valentine A: WHOSH 25th Anniversary T: Available

JAMES BREE
26
H: Ben Banks A: Available T: Available

JACOB BUTTERFIELD
29
H: Available A: Available T: Available

PETER KIOSO
30
H: Available A: Available T: Available

EUNAN O'KANE
32
H: Available A: Bobbers Travel Club T: Available

DONERVON DANIELS
33
H: Available A: Available T: Available

JAMES SHEA
36
H: Available A: Available T: Available G: Martin Devereux - Manx Hatter

FRANKIE MUSONDA
37
H: Available A: Available T: Available

HARRY ISTED
40
H: Craig Steeples A: Available T: Available G: Available

NATHAN JONES
41
H: Thompsons Chartered Accountants Bedford A: Country Properties

MICK HARFORD
42
H: Carnisseur Leasing A: Carnisseur Leasing

KEVIN DEARDEN
43
H: Available A: Available

SIMON PARSELL
44
H: Bobbers Travel Club A: Available

OUR NEXT OPPONENT



1887

FORMED: 1887 | NICKNAME: THE TYKES | LAST SEASON: 2ND IN LEAGUE ONE | FOLLOW THEM ON TWITTER: @BARNESLEYFC
COLOURS: RED & WHITE | GROUND: OAKWELL | MANAGER: GERHARD STRUBER

WHO?

Winners of the FA Cup in 1912, Barnsley are a historic English football club who have had their fair share of success since they were founded in 1887. The club won the 2016 Football League Trophy, beating Oxford United 3-2 in the final, and the 2016 League One play-offs by beating Millwall 3-1 at Wembley. They were relegated from the Championship in 2018 but regained their place in the second tier the following campaign, finishing second behind the Hatters in League One last season.

STADIUM - OAKWELL

Oakwell has been Barnsley's home ever since they were formed in 1887 and once saw a record attendance of over 40,000 fans for their FA Cup 5th round tie against Stoke City in 1936. Nowadays it welcomes a capacity crowd of 23,000 and an interesting fact about the stadium - it was the first in English football to have a designated stand for disabled supporters.

BARNESLEY | 07.07.20 | KO 6.00PM

UP NEXT

HAVEN'T WE MET BEFORE?

The Hatters earned their first Championship win of the campaign with a 3-1 victory against Barnsley in August with Jacob Butterfield, James Collins and Harry Cornick getting on the scoresheet. Despite more recent success over the Tykes, it's Barnsley who possess the superior all-time head-to-head record with 27 wins compared to Town's 24.

KNOWING ME, KNOWING YOU

A few names for this one, with no fewer than eight of the current Hatters squad - James Bree, Martin Cranie, Jacob Butterfield, Luke Berry, Matty Pearson, Elliot Lee, Cameron Carter-Vickers and George Moncur - having played for the south Yorkshire club during their career. In the Tykes' ranks are two former Hatters, although Cameron McGeehan is currently on loan at League One play-off hopefuls Portsmouth. Their current top scorer Cauley Woodrow, who came through the ranks with the Hatters, should feature.

PLAYER STATS 2019/20

	THIS SEASON						LFC						
	LEAGUE	CUP	TOTAL	DISP	CAREER TOT	LEAGUE	CUP	TOTAL	DISP				
	APPS	GLS	APPS	GLS	APPS	Y	R	APPS	GLS				
Luke Berry	10	(5)	0	3	(1)	0	13	(6)	0	3	0	82	11
Luke Bolton	10	(14)	0	2	(2)	0	12	(16)	0	1	0	28	0
Sonny Bradley	33	(1)	2	0	(0)	0	33	(1)	2	0	0	84	2
James Bree	29	(4)	0	2	(1)	0	31	(5)	0	2	0	36	0
Izzy Brown	16	(8)	1	2	(1)	0	18	(9)	1	5	0	27	1
Jacob Butterfield	11	(4)	1	2	(0)	0	13	(4)	1	2	0	17	1
Cameron Carter-Vickers	9	(1)	0	0	(0)	0	9	(1)	0	1	0	10	0
James Collins	38	(2)	12	0	(0)	0	38	(2)	12	8	0	133	57
Harry Cornick	32	(7)	9	2	(1)	0	34	(8)	9	1	0	120	22
Martin Cranie	16	(2)	2	0	(1)	0	16	(3)	2	0	0	19	2
Donervon Daniels	2	(1)	1	1	(0)	0	3	(1)	1	0	0	4	1
Brendan Galloway	1	(4)	0	0	(0)	0	1	(4)	0	0	0	123	58
Danny Isted	1	(0)	0	0	(0)	0	0	(0)	0	0	0	2	0
Harry Stisted	0	(0)	0	0	(0)	0	0	(0)	0	0	0	0	0
Jake													

LINE-UP

MATCH OFFICIALS

REFEREE - JAMES LININGTON | ASSISTANT REFEREE 1 - DANIEL LEACH
ASSISTANT REFEREE 2 - MARK JONES | FOURTH OFFICIAL - JAMES OLDHAM



MANAGER: NATHAN JONES

02	MARTIN CRANIE	12	SIMON SLUGA	26	JAMES BREE
03	DAN POTTS	14	HARRY CORNICK	29	JACOB BUTTERFIELD
04	RYAN TUNNICLIFFE	16	GLEN REA	32	EUNAN O'KANE
05	SONNY BRADLEY	17	PELLY-RUDDOCK MPANZU	30	PETER KIOSO
06	MATTY PEARSON	18	CAMERON CARTER-VICKERS	36	JAMES SHEA
07	CALLUM McMANAMAN	19	JAMES COLLINS	40	HARRY ISTED
08	LUKE BERRY	20	GEORGE MONCUR		
09	DANNY HYLTON	23	BRENDAN GALLOWAY		
10	ELLIOU LEE	24	IZZY BROWN		
11	ANDREW SHINNIE	25	KAZENGA LUALUA		



MANAGER: MARK BOWEN

01	SAM WALKER	14	OVIE EJARIA	26	CHARLIE ADAM
02	CHRIS GUNTER	16	TOM MCINTYRE	27	OMAR RICHARDS
04	MICHAEL MORRISON	17	ANDY YIADOM	29	PELE
05	MATT MIAZGA	18	LUCAS BOYE	31	LUCAS JOAO
06	LIAM MOORE	19	YAKOU MEITE	33	RAFAEL CABRAL
08	ANDY RINOMHOTA	20	FELIPE ARARUNA	34	GABRIEL OSHO
09	SAM BALDOCK	21	MICHAEL OLISE	46	JERIEL DORSETT
10	JOHN SWIFT	23	SONE ALUKO	47	GEORGE PUSCAS
11	JORDAN OBITA	24	TYLER BLACKETT		
12	GARATH MCCLEARY	25	AYUB MASIKA		

NEXT HOME MATCH

BARNESLEY | SKY BET CHAMPIONSHIP | 07.07.20 | KO: 6.00PM