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THE MANAGER

Good evening and welcome back to Kenilworth Road for another big Championship fixture under the lights.

We know how special these occasions can be, and as we move closer to Power Court becoming a reality, they will become fewer with each passing month, so we have to enjoy them.

We certainly revelled in the electric atmosphere in our last midweek home game here when we won 5-0 against Coventry, and also in our subsequent solid, if not as spectacular performances in the draw with Huddersfield and 1-0 win over Hull.

As well as the Sky Sports cameras, we welcome everyone who has travelled tonight with Middlesbrough, including Neil Warnock, his staff, their players and club officials. We had to do the same midweek trip last season, so we know how the mileage and we wish them a safe journey home into the small hours.

Neil's sides are always tough to play against and this Middlesbrough team will be no different. We are side-by-side in the table in 10th and 11th, separated only by one goal having gone into Saturday occupying the last two play-off places. We were very disappointed to lose 2-0 at Preston, but they will equally be looking to bounce back from their home defeat by the same scoreline to Birmingham.

We were nowhere near our usual levels at Deepdale, and we haven't had a performance like that for a while. We have a very honest group who kept going right until the end, when we had a couple of chances, but in truth, we didn't look like scoring at the crucial times and Preston were deserving of their win.

The great thing about football is that you quickly get a chance to get defeats out of your system and put things right, especially in the Championship.

We want to go into the international break on a high, and after such a good week returning from the last one with the results at Millwall and Derby before the Hull win here, we know that if we can finish this three-game week with six points from two home matches, we'll be in a similar mood.

The character and atmosphere in the camp is second to none, and we have to remember that we went to Preston in fifth position, which is phenomenal when you think where this club has come from. This league is a constant grind, but we're acclimatised to it now and having had a taste of being up there, we want more.

We will need your support as we strive to push those boundaries and improve on last season. Keep right behind the lads and let's see where we can get to.

Enjoy the game and COYH!

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NOTES FROM THE BOARDROOM

GARY SWEET

CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER



Good evening and welcome to Kenilworth Road for tonight's game against Middlesbrough, a former Premier League side who currently sit right alongside us in the Championship table jockeying for position in and around the play-off picture.

For the second time in our three seasons back at this level, the Sky Sports cameras are here for this fixture, and there is little wonder after the occasion they captured last time. A lot has changed, of course, since that balmy Friday night in early August 2019, when we kicked off the English league season by sharing six goals in a pulsating fixture that had the old girl rocking.

No-one here will ever forget Sonny Bradley's stunning first goal for the Hatters, nor can we fail to mention just how far our record signing Simon Sluga has come in establishing himself as one of the finest goalkeepers outside the Premier League since his debut that night. Seven clean sheets in his opening 15 matches of this season is a stupendous record, helped in no small part by our much more solid defence this season, just in front of him.

Our recent form on the pitch has provided much scope for optimism, with two excellent results here before the international break followed by a seven-point week from trips to Millwall, Derby and the home game with Hull. However, Saturday's trek to Deepdale is a timely reminder that our feet must remain firmly planted (in metaphorical sense) and that focus will be required for every minute of every game in this ridiculously, competitive topsy-turvy league where anything can happen.

You will also have seen a couple of wonderful pieces of news away from the pitch last week, firstly with the announcement that one of our double promotion winners, Alan McCormack, has returned to the Club to work within the Academy system that we strive every day to improve.

That will include Category 2 status being attained and the required facilities being built. As you all know by now, we never give up and will turn our attention in progressing this year.

So, welcome back Macca, and we look forward to seeing the development of our youngsters being aided further by working with another returning former player, following Paul Benson and Adrian Forbes.

The other main encouraging development came last Wednesday evening, with the Town Hall as our venue, as the Luton Council development control committee voted unanimously to approve the modifications to our existing outline Power Court consent.

As a reminder, for those who are not aware of the significance, this was a revised outline planning application to our existing consent, already received for Power Court in 2019. The revisions were necessary due to the consequences of the enormous upheaval we've all had to endure over the last couple of years which has altered (and will continue to adapt) the way we all think and live.

This, in turn, has led to us to reconsider how people will travel to the site, how it will be used,





who will live here, what usages will be needed, how those facilities will be used and how we can viably and sustainably build it all. The new consented application now includes an increase in residential dwellings to be situated either side of a pedestrian open space which sees the River Lea opened-up, running on its natural course through the site and a number of changes to commercial, retail and hospitality operations.

The submission, however, excluded the central area of the site which houses the stadium and, whilst this method was questioned, it was done so as a very positive intention. This is because we are ahead of the game on the stadium and didn't feel we needed another outline review as, for some months now, we have been preparing to enter the detailed design phase which will see us come forward with the detailed planning application for the stadium (along with the first phase of residential) in or before the second quarter of next year. None of this could've happened if this week's application wasn't approved.

A number of people have expressed surprise

at the weight of challenge in questioning Michael and I received on the night, given the length of time Luton has been waiting for Power Court, as a vital town-centre brownfield site, to be redeveloped and given the much-needed inward investment our town centre desperately needs. It's worth noting here that it's absolutely correct that Councillors – especially a member of the development control committee – have the right to challenge anything in any planning application, and they were completely right to do so on Wednesday.

We are always happy to invite any challenging questions from those who carry such authority (and even from many that don't). Indeed, we welcome it because we have total confidence in

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what we're doing – we are confident this scheme will bring a significant positive impact and prosperity to our town, we have confidence in our commitment to see it through entirely, and we have confidence in our ability to fund and deliver it all.

As we clear another hurdle, the significance of our work on the stadium becomes starkly more permanent, week-by-week. Complex technical decisions are now being made that simply can't be reversed as we step-up the intensity in our design process. Indeed, for our game tonight, I'm delighted to be able to welcome over a dozen of our specialist consultants (covering stadium architects, quantity surveyors, structural engineers, mechanical and electrical engineers, and landscape architects) who are observing the match, scattered around the stands, so they can absorb that fundamental sensation of what it's like to be a part of this incredible, unique culture we have in Luton and at Kenilworth Road (warts and all).

It's essential that everyone working on this particular project goes much further than to merely understand 'the client'. Our new stadium simply must be a design masterpiece which will possess the opportunity to elevate an entire town whilst safeguarding the unique intimacy of what we have and what we need to protect. It's a very narrow juxtaposition where failure isn't an option. To rise to this, each and every specialist who contributes has no option but to 'feel the vibe' and to become (temporarily or perhaps even permanently) 'Utopian/Lutonian'.

So, to those highly skilled technicians who have been hand selected to turn our dreams into reality, welcome to Luton ladies and gentlemen! You are valued by everyone you share a seat with tonight.

Finally, you will have seen on the official website and social media that we now have almost 60 members of club staff running, cycling or walking every single day in November as part of the Prostate United challenge - surprisingly, including me!

We kicked the fundraiser off with a group photo on the pitch last week, and although only around half of us doing it were present due to other commitments including a development match at Bisham Abbey and various community projects going on around the area during half-term, it gives a snapshot into the spirit we have behind the scenes.

I am proud to say that so many people from different roles within the Club want to help raise funds for a super charity with which we have developed close links since we renamed our ground the Prostate Cancer UK stadium for the night back in 2015, and actively show support for our inspiring colleague, amigo and hero, Big Mick, as he battles the disease.

Personally, I'm grateful to have such a serious cause to give me a kick up the backside to prioritise my lifestyle balance to get fitter, healthier and lose some weight. But our primary objective is to raise money and awareness.

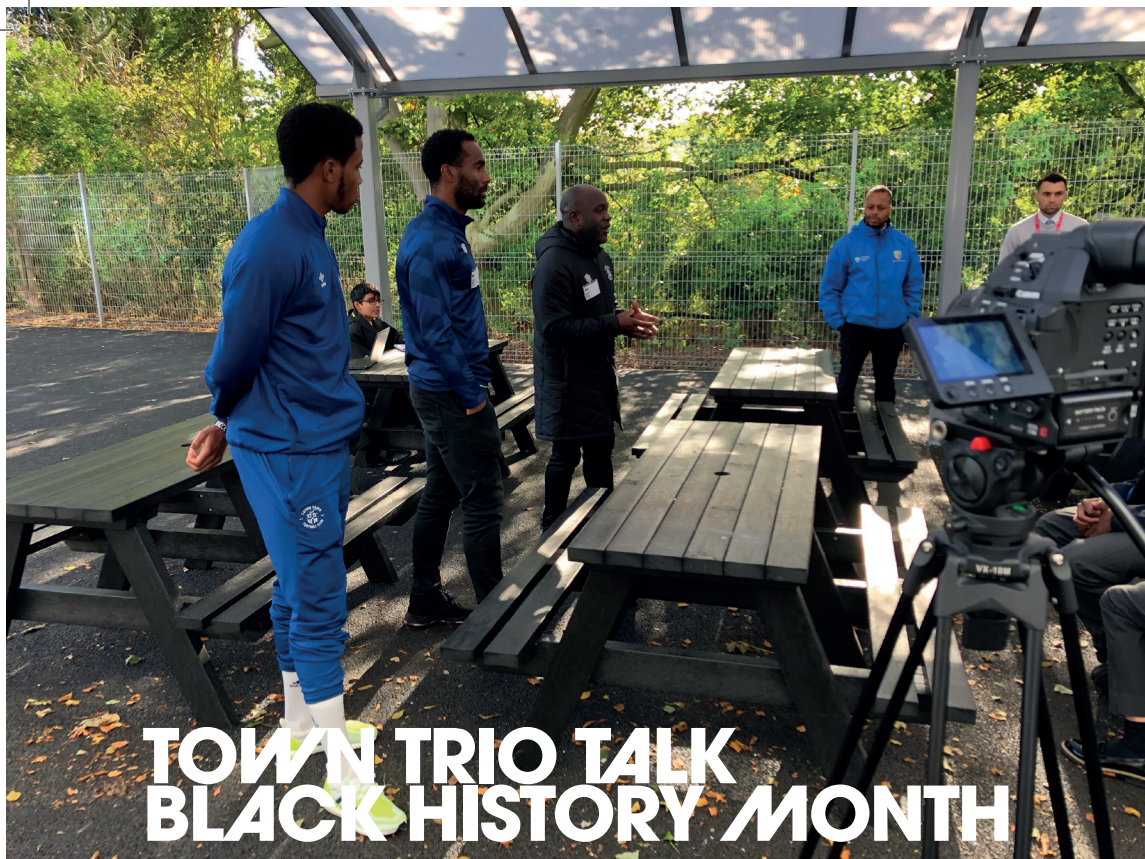
If you feel able to support, you will find all the details – along with the photo – on pages 14 and 15 of this programme, along with the names of everyone taking part. Well done comrades and good luck to everyone.

COYH! Let your voices be heard by all tonight!

Gary
(for Don)

BOARDROOM

LUTON TOWN FOOTBALL CLUB SINCE 1885



AVAN, CAM AND FORBES VISIT CHILTERN ACADEMY TO ANSWER STUDENTS' QUESTIONS

Words: Dan Briard

Three generations of Hatters spoke passionately about Black History Month when visiting a local school in October, highlighting the need to be proud of who we are, and that racism is not okay in any walk of life.

Black History Month in the UK is an event that has been celebrated nationwide for more than 30 years and has since expanded from its original origins of recognising the contributions that people of African and Caribbean backgrounds have made to the UK, to now including black people in general, in order to help challenge racism and educate others about British history.

Veteran striker Cameron Jerome was accompanied by U21s defender Avan Jones and Professional Player Development boss Adrian Forbes at Chiltern Academy, to speak to the Year 10 GCSE PE class about their respective careers, with questions ranging from the impact of social media, to the highly debated topic of Ronaldo or Messi!

And after an in-depth talk with the pupils, Forbes said: "When you come to schools like this you hope the questions are good and I have to say that the pupils have given Cameron Jerome, Avan Jones and myself some really good questions which has allowed us to give good answers, which will hopefully help them with their GCSE PE going forward."

As well as questions students were desperate to find out answers about, such as what is like to score a goal, or the best stadium they have played at, there was also time to discuss not only the importance of social media but how racism has been frequently seen on platforms too.



Jerome said: "I think it is such a negative tool in terms, especially given how it can affect mental health. It has been quite highly publicised with racism, questioning people's religion and things like that.

"You have to have a really strong mindset and have thick skin. Today is an era where social media is used to communicate through all forms of life, I'm not a big fan of social media because of the negativity that comes with it, I don't really care about anyone else's opinion apart from mine and the people close to me, or the manager.

"If I'm in the stadium and I'm having a really good game, I don't buy into the fact that the fans are clapping me and singing my name today but then the next week when I have a bad game, the fans will be saying 'he's rubbish, he shouldn't be playing'. You have to be true to yourself, be confident and believe in your ability."

Forbes further reflected on the importance of such months and added: "From my point of view, I look at myself and my journey and the age I am now that it is time for me to give back. Some of the learning I have got from Black History Month has given a better understanding of myself and who I am, so the capacity to come into a school like we have done today and give the pupils a bit of feedback, almost letting them know that we support you in calling out racism, we support you

in making sure people understand that racism is not okay.

"It has been well documented in recent months the comments that a lot of black players have faced on social media platforms and it has also been well documented that social media platforms need to do more to eradicate it as much as we can.

"Will we ever do that? Who knows. It is important that people like Cameron, Avan and myself come out in support of Black History Month, and certainly to a local school like we have done today."

Jones contributed by saying: "It was a very good experience coming to a local school, especially being a local boy. I feel personally that it (Black History Month) shouldn't be celebrated for a month, it should be celebrated on a day-to-day basis. We should be proud to be who we are. I'm black and I'm proud."

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Throughout the month of November, almost 60 members of Luton Town staff are taking part in the Prostate United challenge in support of Mick Harford and to raise funds for Prostate Cancer UK.

Around half of the participants who will either walk or run 3km, 5km or 10km, or cycle 10km, 15km or 25km each day throughout the month gathered at Kenilworth Road for a group photo after the open training session last week.

Not everyone could be there due to academy staff attending the development squad match taking place at Bisham Abbey at the same time, and Community Trust staff being out on location delivering half-term programmes around the county.

The challenge started yesterday with some staff running and walking around the outside of the pitch, cycling to work or carrying out their chosen activity at different locations.

We will be sharing as many of their efforts as we can on club social media channels, and several have joined the 'Prostate United' group on Strava, where progress can be tracked.

If you feel able to donate, please go justgiving.com and search 'lffcprostateunited'

Most importantly, however, is that you continue to do what Big Mick has asked and get yourselves checked out, or encourage others to do so.

Thank you for your support, Hatters.

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Middlesbrough were founded in 1876 and have had a successful history. They won the League cup in the 03/04 season and got to the final of the UEFA Cup in 2006. They lost the final 4-0 to Sevilla in Eindhoven. They were also FA Cup finalists in 1997. They have spent 15 seasons in the Premier League – 7th was their highest finish. This season Middlesbrough are 11th in the league, one spot behind the Hatters.

5 THINGS YOU MIGHT NOT KNOW ABOUT MIDDLESBROUGH!

- Middlesbrough was the first ever team to launch its own TV channel – Boro TV!
- In 1905 they signed player Alf Common for £1,000 which became a national transfer record!
- The sale of Gary Pallister to Manchester United in 1989 for £2.3 million became a national transfer record!
- Middlesbrough FC are technically the 9th oldest English team (being founded in 1876) but didn't join the football league until 1899!
- Middlesbrough spent 92 years at their old ground Ayresome Park before moving into the Riverside stadium in 1995!



PLAYED FOR BOTH

ANDY DIBBLE – Andy Dibble is famous at Luton for his phenomenal League Cup winning performance in 1988, saving a penalty and making great saves in the 3-2 win over Arsenal. But Dibble also featured for Boro 21 times during his time there.

TOM CRADDOCK – He started his career at Middlesbrough featuring four times for Boro however Craddock also spent two years at Luton, playing 75 games and scoring 35 goals. He scored the second in the 3-2 Johnstone's Paint Trophy final win over Scunthorpe in 2009.

CHRIS KAMARA – The well-known Soccer Saturday presenter played for both sides in the 90s. He spent two years at Luton, playing 49 times. He went on loan to Boro in 1993 and made four appearances. He was also born in the North-East town.

JACOB BUTTERFIELD – A familiar face for both teams of late, Butterfield spent the 19/20 season with the Hatters, playing 15 times and scoring once in a 3-1 win at Barnsley. He also spent the 13/14 season at the Riverside, where he played 31 times and scored three goals for Boro.

LAST 5 MEETINGS RESULTED IN...

1 LUTON WIN – 2 DRAWS – 2 MIDDLESBROUGH WINS

Both sides now are solid, tough to beat championship sides, and both are sitting just three points off the play-off positions. Neil Warnock's men have four clean sheets in their last six matches with all of those scorelines being 2-0 victories for Middlesbrough.

Town need to watch out for highly rated Middlesbrough forward Andraz Sporar, who is hitting form and is one to keep an eye on.



THE GOALKEEPER: JOE LUMLEY

Joe Lumley began his career in the youth team at Tottenham before being released. He'd go on to join QPR, signing a professional deal a few years later. After loans at Bishop's Cleeve and Accrington Stanley, Lumley made 77 league appearances for QPR, with the 2018/19 season being the best run in the side as he played in 42 Championship games. He would have later loan spells at Bristol Rovers, Blackpool, Gillingham and Doncaster. In the summer of 2021, Lumley left QPR on a permanent basis. Despite being offered a new deal at the club, the 26-year-old opted to leave and signed for Middlesbrough.



THE DEFENDER: SOL BAMBA

Starting his career at PSG, Sol Bamba made one first-team appearance for the club. He would later move to Scotland, joining Dunfermline in 2006. He spent two years with the Pars, before leaving for fellow Scottish side Hibernian. He spent two-and-a-half years with Hibs before short stays at Leicester, Trabzonspor, Palermo and Leeds. In 2016, he signed for Cardiff. He was a regular for the Bluebirds and played over 100 times for the club. Earlier this year, he was diagnosed with Non-Hodgkin lymphoma but in May, he announced he was cancer-free and joined Middlesbrough in the summer.



THE MANAGER: NEIL WARNOCK

A vastly experienced manager, Neil Warnock has been in charge of Middlesbrough since June 2020. As a manager, Warnock has won promotion on eight occasions. He has taken Scarborough, Notts County, Huddersfield, Plymouth, Sheffield United, QPR and Cardiff up from various leagues, and holds the record for the most promotions in English football. A managerial career that began in 1980 with Gainsborough Trinity, the 72-year-old has managed a total of 16 clubs from non-league to the Premier League, and has managed over 1,500 games.



**ON THE RADAR:
MIDDLESBROUGH**

I N I T I A T E S T E



THE MIDFIELDER: JONNY HOWSON

Jonny Howson began his career at Leeds and made his debut in the League Cup in September 2006. He broke into the first-team at Elland Road and went on to make over 200 appearances. He switched to Norwich in January 2012, and played in the Premier League for the Canaries. He made 188 appearances in five-and-a-half years at Carrow Road, before leaving for Middlesbrough in July 2017. Since his move to the Riverside Stadium, the 33-year-old has been a key man in Boro's midfield. Following the 2020/21 season, he was named as Player of the Year by the North East Sports Writers' Association.



THE STRIKER: ANDRAZ SPORAR

Born in Slovenia, Andraz Sporar played for both Interblock and Olimpija Ljubljana in the Slovenian football leagues, and earned a move to Swiss side Basel in 2015. He struggled for game time, and joined 2.Bundesliga side Arminia Bielefeld on loan. Sporar then moved to Slovakia, joining Slovan Bratislava. In the 2018/19 season, he scored 29 goals in 30 games, and then scored 12 in 11 the following season before a move to Sporting Lisbon materialised in January 2020. He featured in the Primeira Liga for Sporting, before joining fellow Portuguese club Braga on loan. He joined Middlesbrough on loan in August.

WATCH OUT FOR... MATT CROOKS

Matt Crooks spent time at Manchester United in his youth, before signing professional terms at Huddersfield. He made one league appearance for the club, with loan spells at Halifax, Hartlepool and Accrington Stanley, before joining the latter permanently. He spent 18 months with Stanley, before moving onto Rangers. He struggled for football at Ibrox, and left for a permanent switch to Northampton. His performances for the Cobblers earned a move to Rotherham, where Crooks spent two-and-a-half years, making 97 appearances. In July 2021, he signed for Middlesbrough.



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A HAT IN BOTH CAMPS

Words: Roger Wash

After starring for England at both schools and youth international level, John O'Rourke seemed to have lost his way after failing to gain a first team spot at either Arsenal or Chelsea, so reluctantly accepted an offer to move to Luton in December 1963.

O'Rourke became a teenage sensation at Kenilworth Road, banging in 22 goals in only 23 appearances in 1963-64 to save the Town from seemingly certain relegation to Division Four (now League Two). This incredible goal haul included four at Brentford in a 6-2 win – the Town's first victory on the road for 16 months.

Badly injured on the opening day of the following campaign at Brentford, he made only 21 appearances as the Town, badly missing his goalscoring prowess, sunk to the football basement.

Not the tallest of players, John was a brilliant header of the ball and was back to his best in 1965-66, netting 32 times as the Hatters narrowly failed to win promotion at the first attempt. A falling out with the club and, inevitably, bigger clubs coming calling, a £20,000 fee took him to relegated Middlesbrough where his 27 goals in 39 starts, including a hat-trick on the final day of the season, helped the Teesiders to immediate promotion from Division Three (now League One).

Following a now familiar pattern, he fell out with the management at Ayresome Park and signed for Ipswich, who he helped to the top flight, before playing in Coventry City's only European campaign and picking up England under-23 recognition along the way.

After a spell at QPR, O'Rourke wound down his career at Bournemouth before becoming a newsagent in the area.

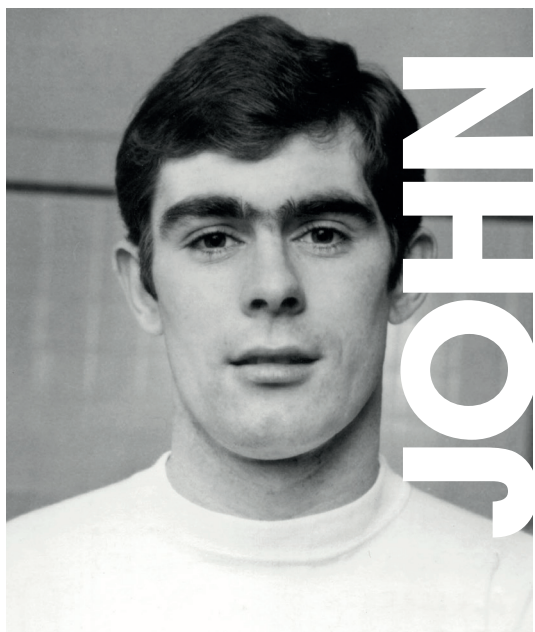
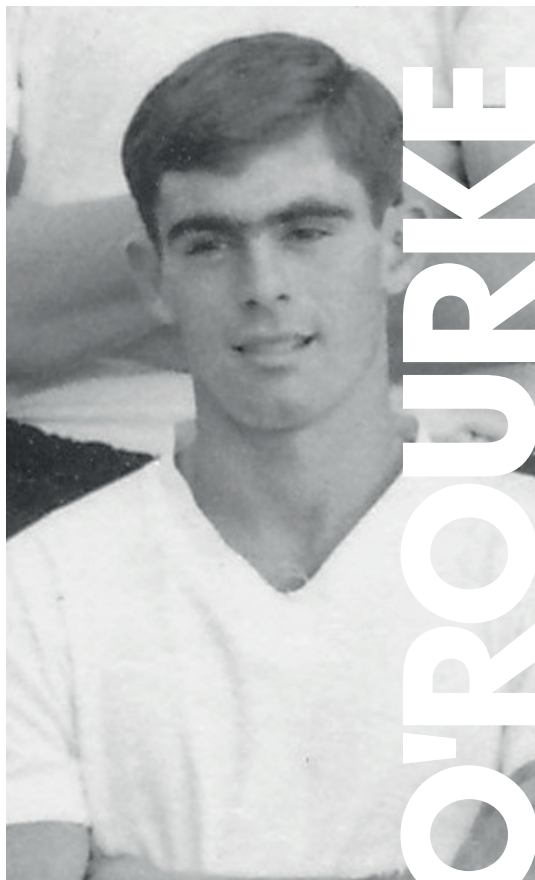
John sadly passed away in July 2016 at the age of 71.

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GOALS:	42



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1st May 2021. Championship

Words: Roger Wash

As the last campaign drew to a close, neither the Town or Boro had any hopes of getting into the play-off positions nor were they troubled by fears of being dragged into the relegation dogfight. The clash on 1st May was therefore a genuine end of season game with nothing to play for apart from pride.

The Hatters were on a four-game unbeaten run which had come a little late with manager Nathan Jones lamenting missed opportunities earlier in the season. Despite nothing to play for, both teams attacked from the start with Boro's Grant Hall coming the closest when he saw his effort well blocked by Luton skipper Sonny Bradley.

However it was the Town who broke the deadlock on 19 minutes when Kal Naismith saw his header from James Bree's corner tipped onto the bar by Boro's keeper Jordan Archer, only for Glen Rea to nod in the rebound.

LUTON TOWN:

Sluga, Bree, Pearson, Bradley, Naismith, Mpanzu, Rea, Cornick (Moncur), Dewsbury-Hall, Adebayo, Collins (Nombe).

MIDDLESBROUGH

Archer, Hall, Bola, McNair, Howson, Kebano, Saville, Coulson, Johnson, Bolasie (Coburn), Watmore.

Photo: A hidden Glen Rea heads the Town in front.

Thirty seconds later Boro were level when a cross from Marvin Johnson was headed in by an unmarked Duncan Watmore. Chances then came and went as James Collins fired in an acrobatic effort just over and Pelly-Ruddock Mpanzu failed to find the target when set up by Kiernan Dewsbury-Hall as the half drew to a close.

In the second period it was more of the same, with Collins heading a Bree free-kick just wide and Elijah Adebayo being denied a stonewall penalty when hauled down by Marc Bola.

The referee pointed to the spot on 71 minutes though when Dewsbury-Hall was fouled in the area by Paddy McNair, but Collins saw his weak penalty saved by Archer.

Mpanzu had two more opportunities to claim a winner but Boro may have sneaked in to claim all three points at the death when George Saville saw an effort hit the underside of the bar.



MEMORY MATCH

**Luton Town 6 Middlesbrough 1.
Division Two (now Championship)
19th November 1960.**

WORDS: ROGER WASH

LUTON TOWN:

Standen, McNally, Bramwell, Pacey, Groves, McGuffie, Spencer, Ashworth, Turner, Brown, Tracey.

MIDDLESBROUGH:

Appleby, Bilcliff, McNeil, Harris, Thomson, Yeoman, Waldock, McLean, Clough, Peacock, Burbeck.

Following relegation from the old Division One in 1960, the Hatters dispensed with manager Syd Owen and after interviewing several applicants decided to plump for ex-York City boss Sam Bartram.

Bartram, who had enjoyed a long and loyal playing career with Charlton Athletic, becoming regarded as the best uncapped goalkeeper in football history along the way, had overseen both promotion and relegation while in the hot-seat with the Minstermen.

He was, however, set to take over a Luton Town Football Club in turmoil with a team that had

grown old together. His initial results, as he struggled to come to terms with and learn about the players on the books, hardly set the pulses racing as only two wins were recorded from the opening 11 games.

On top of this Bartram had to contend with the loss of veteran goalkeeper Ron Baynham with a fractured skull, which left him needing to blood 16-year-old Mike O'Hara – reserve goalkeeper Alan Collier had a broken arm while the next in line, Les Ker, was injured. He also had to accept the sale of mercurial winger Billy Bingham to top flight Everton, but did manage to recruit solid full-back John Bramwell and forward Alec Ashworth as part of the deal as well as enough money to buy goalkeeper Jim Standen from Arsenal.

Slowly results started to turn and worries of a further relegation eased, but performances were infuriatingly inconsistent and by November crowds had dropped by 5,000, which was obviously worrying to all at Kenilworth Road who had hoped for a quick return to the top flight.

Typical of the inconsistency came on a bright November afternoon when Middlesbrough, who were on a nine-game unbeaten run, were the visitors to Kenilworth Road. Bartram was away looking at Partick Thistle's Jim Fleming, but had left instructions for Allan Brown, the wily ex-Scotland international, to return to the Luton side in his favoured inside-left position.

The decision proved a masterstroke as Brown brought to the side the experience and constructive ability which had been missing in recent weeks.

With only six minutes gone Brown had laid on goals for wingers Les Spencer and Mike Tracey, and then netted one himself. A few minutes later record goalscorer Gordon Turner scored from the penalty spot, leaving





the Middlesbrough defence reeling.

It was only due to the thick mud down the middle of the pitch, plus some wayward shooting from the Luton forwards, plus a further penalty missed by Turner, that kept the score down to four at the interval.

In the second period the Town enjoyed another goal rush with Turner keeping his cool and putting away his third penalty opportunity of the afternoon, Boro netting a consolation and Brown completing the scoring all in the space of eight minutes.

Much had been written beforehand about the prolific Middlesbrough centre-forward Brian Clough, but he hardly had a sniff of the ball all afternoon such was the grip he was held in by John Groves.

Everyone thought that the Hatters' pressing problems had been solved that afternoon, but after a 4-1 win in the next home game a 2-5 defeat was suffered at Rotherham and as the year

drew to a close a 3-0 home win over Lincoln was followed by a 1-7 mauling at Sunderland. It was never dull though!

Photo: Sam Bartram lines up with his boys at the start of the 1960/61 campaign.

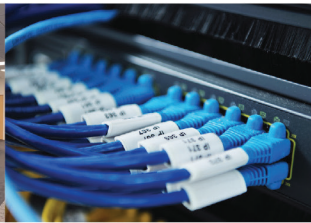
Back row (left to right): Folwell, Underwood, Groves, Collins, Baynham, Ker, McNally, McCreadie, Tracey.

Second row (left to right): Wally Fielding (Assistant trainer), Pacey, McCann, Noake, Raffell, Kilgannon, McBride, Brown, Turner, Bingham, Cummins, Frank King (Trainer).

Third row (left to right): Lesnick, Spencer, Hawkes, Dunne, Sam Bartram (Manager), Morton, Kelly, Imlach, McGuffie.

Front row (left to right): Andrews, Buckland.

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JAMES BREE

Age: 23

Place of Birth: Wakefield

Matchday routine?

I wake up around 9ish, and get a Costa - a golden caramel latte, but if it's hot outside I'll get an ice latte. Then I'll have a little bowl of cereal and then have a little walk around the village.

Superstitions?

If we win or I have a good game, I will drive in the same route, and little things like lining my shoes up in the locker. Also, before every game me, and Harry Isted have a little cuddle and he whispers three things I have to do that day, and I always do them!

Biggest influence?

I have to say my Mum and Dad. They were both brilliant, did everything for me as a youngster and I just want to make them proud.

Sporting hero?

Steven Gerrard. When I was younger I was a Liverpool fan, some of my family are Scousers, so I just copied them. But I remember watching him in Istanbul for example and he was unbelievable.

Best player you've played alongside?

Probably Jack Grealish. Just a baller, £100 million player, strong, quick, good on the ball.

Toughest opponent?

Mason Mount, impressed me a lot when we played against Chelsea in the FA Cup.

Most treasured possession?

My Wilson D9's (golf clubs)! Do I look after them? No, they are very mucky, but they bring me joy and they are used every day.

What would you do if you weren't a footballer?

I think I would have been a fireman. My dad was a fireman and I think I would have gone down that route as well.

Best stadium played at?

Stamford Bridge was good but I'd say Villa Park. Especially the play-off semi-final against Middlesbrough, that was unbelievable.

Something people may not know about you?

That I'm an unbelievable badminton player! (Despite a few of his team mates disagreeing) A few of us are actually signed up to the national badminton centre in Milton Keynes.

Favourite song?

Ain't no mountain high enough, Marvin Gaye.

Favourite film?

The Blind Side.

Favourite meal?

A nice spaghetti carbonara, a few prawns in there, bit of spice.



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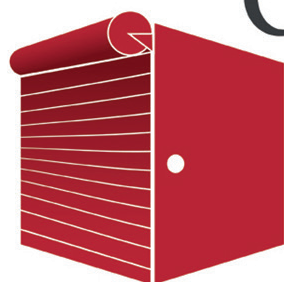


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In a pre-cursor to the Harry Cornick throw-in method, pre-War favourite Fred Roberts shows Hatters youth team players the old ways in this 1940s shot.

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“Right now, we sit fifth in the Championship table. Potentially, we’re staring entry to the top table of world football, that could happen as early as next year. If that happens, and by the way it will happen, I can’t promise it will be this season, but when that happens it will bring huge prosperity and positivity to our town, to everybody.”

That’s what Hatters CEO Gary Sweet said at Wednesday night’s Luton Borough Council development management committee meeting as the Town’s revised proposals, excluding the Power Court Stadium, were unanimously approved.

The Premier League. It’s previously been the subject of hazy dreams at Kenilworth Road, but now Sweet and Nathan Jones are giving those hazy dreams a sense of reality.

At the time of Sweet’s bold statement that Luton ‘will’ enter the promised land of the top tier of English football, the Hatters sat pretty in the Championship play-off spots, albeit level on points with 11th placed Blackpool, after a 1-0 home victory over Hull City.

In my last column, I wrote about the importance of the individual actions of those in the present providing the central basis to long-term plans, but the consistent progress that Luton Town has made both on and off the pitch over the past decade shows the importance of these long-term plans. Town have bettered their previous season’s league finish every year since 2015. What makes that statistic even more impressive is that Luton have played in three different divisions in that time.

The Town have showed a tremendous propensity

to build, consolidate and show ambition in the long-term whilst being competitive and believing in what they do on a game-by-game basis.

They built a squad in League Two that overcame a heart-breaking play-off defeat – which led to CEO Gary Sweet, in a similar vein to his comments last Wednesday, to declare that ‘we’re getting promoted, whether it’s this year or next year’ – to go on and win back-to-back promotions and then pull off the Championship Great Escape in the midst of a global pandemic.

Last season’s mid-table finish provided the basis for the recruitment of players ready to compete in the long-term, and last week Luton found themselves fifth in the Championship after almost a third of the season, a remarkable feat given a decade ago they failed to qualify for the Conference play-offs.

There’s an amazing feeling around Kenilworth Road right now. Not just because of the progress and results on the pitch, but the growth that’s occurring off it.

Sometimes rising expectations can backfire and lead to a sense of disappointment, which, objectively, should never have been classed as that. But as Nathan Jones said in his pre-match press conference before Saturday’s clash with Preston North End, that external expectation ‘doesn’t add any pressure to the pressure we put on ourselves anyway’.

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RETURN OF THE MAC!



Last week we were delighted to announce that double promotion winner Alan McCormack has returned to the club to work as a coach within our academy set-up!

Alan played 39 times for the Hatters in a two-year period, helping the club to back-to-back promotions from League Two and League One, before leaving for Northampton, whom he also helped achieve promotion from the fourth tier.

After more than 500 career matches which spanned 19 years, McCormack hung his boots up earlier this year after leaving Southend, and will now look to continue his coaching education with a role in Town's academy as U13s Lead Coach, while also assisting with older groups up to U21s.

On his appointment, Academy and Development Manager Andy Awford said: "It is great to have Alan in coaching our young players in the Academy. He will work predominantly with our Under 13s, and also be around the U18s and Development Squad players, which will give him a rounded experience and I'm sure our players will learn a great deal from Alan too."

Macca wrote on social media: "A massive thank you to Luton Town FC for allowing me to work with the club again. As my journey playing has finished, it is now time to try and give back to our next generation of players."

Manager Nathan Jones added: "We like continuity here, we like people that know the DNA, know how we work, so Alan will go in there ready-made because he knows and that is good. There are a number of others that have the credentials to come back and work with us. Paul Benson is working for us, Adrian Forbes slightly longer ago when he was gracing the turf at the Kenny, but Alan McCormack is now another one. There are some that have left here that you could envisage coming back and working for us because of the character and the type of people they are."



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How did you get into football?

I've been playing since I was young, playing in the park and then around six or seven. I joined my local team and after I got scouted by Reading at under 9s, I have continued from there.

Do you have a matchday routine?

I like to make sure I get my stretches in, but I try not to cloud my mind too much. I make sure I have a good meal, but I also don't like to eat too much. It's not a fixed routine but sometimes I have to come on the pitch and touch the grass before the game - more of a superstition I guess!

Who is your favourite footballer and why?

I'd probably say Andres Iniesta. The way he played was incredible to watch.

What music are you into?

A bit of everything, I enjoy a bit of old school 90s music! Favourite artist right now I'd have to say is either Lil Baby or Kid Laroi.

Favourite film?

I like Shutter Island with Leonardo DiCaprio, that's a great film.

What do you do to relax?

I like to go to the cinema but honestly, I try to do nothing. Sometimes I enjoy switching off from football but then when games are on, I'm there watching it. It is good to switch off though.

Biggest fear?

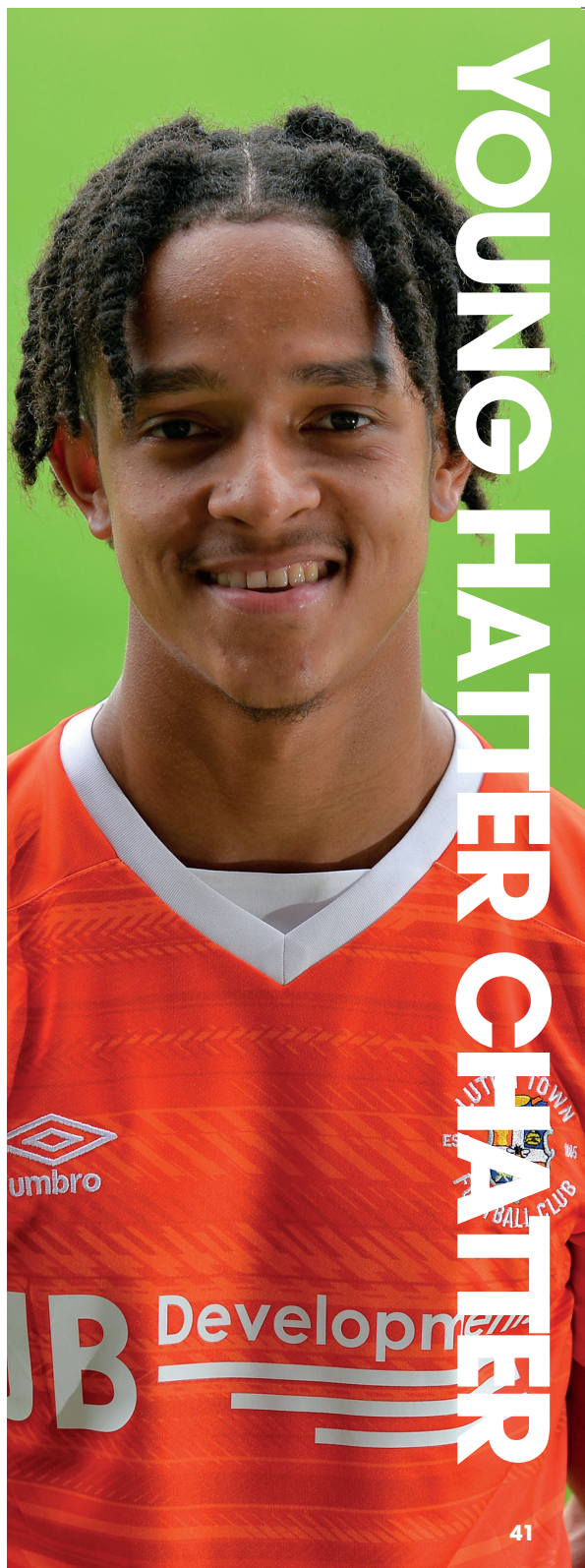
Drowning, it's quite a dramatic one!

If you had to have a superhero power, which one would you choose?

I would say the ability to fly, that would be crazy.

If you were stuck on a deserted island, what is the one thing you'd bring with you?

I'm going to go for a smart answer and say a water filter.





TRUST DELIVERS NATIONAL CITIZEN SERVICE (NCS) TO BTEC FOOTBALLERS

The National Citizen Service (NCS) is a voluntary personal and social development programme for 16–17 year-olds, funded largely by money from the Government.

Last week during half-term, 30 of our BTEC footballer students who attend Chalk Hills 6th Form spent six days taking part in Phase 1 and 2 of the programme and are now busy working on their social action project planning and delivery as part of Phase 3 delivery.

Phase 1 saw the students make the short journey to Action4Youth activity centre in Milton Keynes for three days of challenges both below and high above ground level, as well as on the water involving physical challenges and team building activities. Quite a few students had a genuine fear of heights, but with support from their team members completed challenges they never imagined they could achieve.

Community Operations Manager, Daniel Douglas, commented: "That's the whole point of NCS, it exists to engage, unite and empower young people, building their confidence so they can go out there and achieve their dreams, no matter where they're from or what their background

is. From the life skills they develop to the friends they make, NCS is clear in wanting to give teenagers an opportunity to unleash their potential, to build their self-belief and get them prepped for life after school."

The Trust will be delivering NCS across Bedfordshire in 2022 for Reed in Partnership with support from the EFLT.

The core aims of the project align with the Trust's strategic aims for local young people through social cohesion and cultivating stronger, more integrated communities by fostering understanding between young people and their neighbours from different backgrounds, as well as increasing social mobility by building essential skills for work and life, making sure young people can get ahead and are prepared for whatever the future holds.

Back to our BTEC students and Phase 2 of their NCS adventure based at the stadium, involved three days of learning about their community, Paul Stephens from Save Our Town kicked off by demonstrating how individual voices coming together can influence big decisions about major investments in the Town while workshops included financial management and Beds Police



delivered advice and information on the dangers of county lines and drug awareness. In between, the highlight was probably watching the first team training session at the stadium, and a visit to Go Bowling at the Galaxy!

The students are now preparing to deliver the Phase 3 element of their NCS experience over the coming three weeks, and fuelled by their half-term adventure they now have the opportunity to use their voices and have a lasting impact by delivering a social impact project for the community. It's their chance to have an influence in their local community.

Head of Trust, Kevin Thoburn, said: "NCS is about social engagement, and engaging young people in social action in their community as well as the democratic process, creating more understanding of their responsibilities as a citizen and their potential to affect change. 'We live in a decaying age. Young people no longer respect their parents. They are rude and impatient. They frequently inhabit taverns and have no self-control.'

"These words were inscribed on an Egyptian tomb six thousand years ago. But the fact that they could have been written yesterday tells us something about how little our attitudes to the next generation have to do with the facts. I personally can't wait to see what ideas our students come up with."

We'll be reporting on the next phase of the students' NCS journey on these pages – so watch this space!



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LUTON LADIES

LATE LYNN LEVELLER DENIES TOWN A WIN

It ended all square in Norfolk a fortnight ago after a late equaliser in the dying minutes for the hosts, cancelling out Leyah Maddix's two first half goals that had overturned King's Lynn's early opener.

King's Lynn scored a header from a corner after three minutes, after a bright start from the Hatters. Young striker Lil Sanders started well and should have grabbed an equaliser, but her shot was well saved.

Fiona Constable also had two good chances saved before Maddix finally got her side a goal. A great ball from Jess McKay put Constable through, and her superb cross meant Maddix just needed to tap it in at the back post.

Five minutes later the game was turned around, when McKay's clever cross was headed in by Maddix, and the Hatters led 2-1.

In the second half King's Lynn came out the stronger side, but didn't pose much of a threat in open play and some good defending kept the away side ahead.

With 15 minutes to go Town keeper Hannah Payne suffered an injury and had to be replaced by midfielder Kim Newns. Newns then went on

to make a string of good saves, before substitute Adi Milton, and Constable again forced the Lynn keeper into some good saves.

The game looked to have been won but a very late corner deep into injury time was cleared, and the Lynn player hit it first time, just beating Newns, sending it into the roof of the net.

The Hatters still had a chance to win it but again another save kept it all square.

Manager Nikki Baker was disappointed with only taking a point, saying: "I felt we had enough to win the game and we should have been out of sight in the first half. Their goalkeeper made a string of good saves and we failed to defend 2 set pieces properly. That's football and it's frustrating. We have another game Wednesday night now so we re-group and go again".

The Hatters did go again, following up that result with a 4-0 midweek win over Dunstable - Olivia Abraham, Shanice Thompson, Lil Sanders and Fi Constable on target - before goals from Abraham, Thompson and McKay ensured progress in the FA Cup with a 3-2 home win over Wroxham.

Pictured is Olivia Abraham netting a free-kick in that latter win.



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TODAY'S MASCOT



NAME: Ollly Patis

AGE: 9

HOBBIES: Playing football & watching
Luton Town

FAVOURITE PLAYERS: Glen Rea

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Formed: 1876

Stadium: Riverside Stadium

Capacity: 34,742

Last season: 10TH (Ch)

Head to head with Luton:

Luton wins - 13

Draws - 7

Boro wins - 9

Manager: Neil Warnock



WORD JUMBLE

We've jumbled up some words can you switch the letters around to put them in their right place?

REEJMO

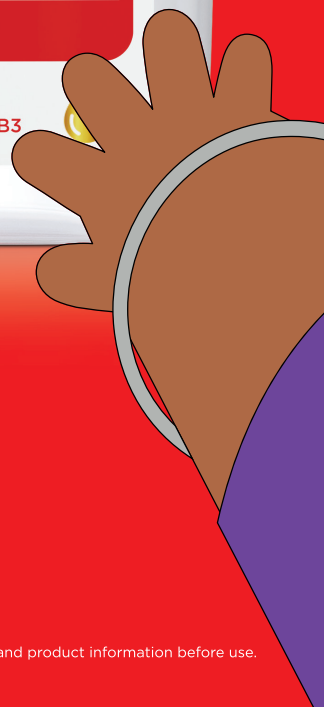
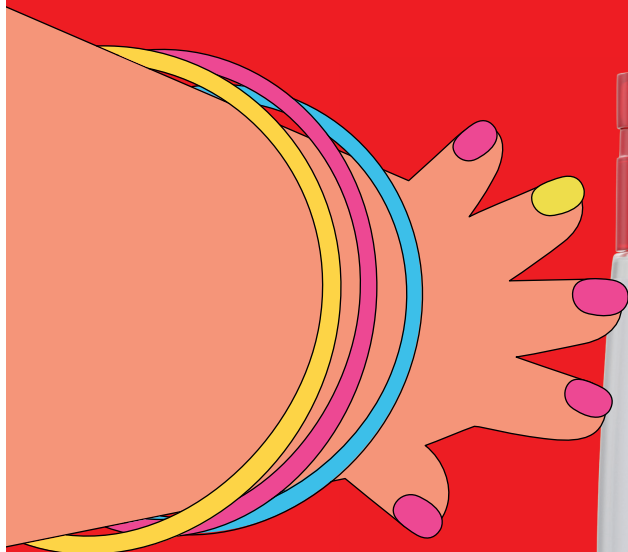
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Word Jumble: Jerome, Muskwe, Thorpe, Onyedinnma, Campbell



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1 LUTON TOWN 0 HULL CITY

Kenilworth Road – Saturday 23rd October 2021
Sky Bet Championship

Luton: Sluga; Bree, Lockyer, Bradley (C), Bell; Rea, Clark, Berry (Mpanzu 22'); Cornick, Onyedinnma (Burke 78'); Adebayo (Jerome 45').

Hull: Ingram; Coyle, Bernard, Greaves, Elder; Docherty, Smallwood (C); Wilks (Moncur 65'), Honeyman (Williams 83'), Lewis-Potter; Magennis (Eaves 69').

Scorer:

Adebayo (17')

"To be on 21 points at this stage of the season, even though we believe we should have more, we are in a really good place considering some of the clubs behind us."

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2 PRESTON NORTH END 0 LUTON TOWN

Deepdale – Sat 30th October 2021 -
Sky Bet Championship

Preston North End: Iversen; Van den Berg,
Bauer, Hughes, Earl; Whiteman, McCann
(Ledson), Browne (C); Barkhuizen, Maguire
(Sinclair), Riis (Potts).

Luton Town: Sluga; Bree, Lockyer, Naismith,
Bradley (C) (Lansbury), Bell; Rea, (Muskwe)
Mpanzu, Clark; Cornick (Onyedinema), Jerome.

Scorers:

PNE - Riis (27, 45+2 PEN)

**“Second half we came
out and gave it a right
go but every single
player to a man was
just a tiny bit off it, and
you can’t be in the
Championship.”**

KAL NAISMITH

FIXTURES 2021-22

[illegible]

KEY:  Starting XI  Substitute • Unused sub **y**: yellow card **r**: red card **p**: penalty scorer *****: penalty missed *****: lost 0-3 on penalties

FOR MATCH REPORTS AND STATS, VISIT WWW.LUTONTOWN.CO.UK

AUDIT	SLUGA	MENDES GOMES	LOCKYER	BURKE	MPANZU	CLARK	PEREIRA	KOSO	ISTED	CAMPBELL	LAWSBURY	OWEDINMA	MUSKWE	BELL	OSHO	BECKWITH	JEROME	JONES	MCANNET	FRANCIS-CLARKE	SUB TIMES				SENT OFF		GOAL TIMES
1	12	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	26	29	32	33	35	36	37	40	a	b	c	d*	L#	O#	
		b			c		*			c	1 b	a					*				78	82	85	-	-	-	30, 68, 71
						b		*	c	y		1 b		y		1 a	*	*			72	72	79	-	-	-	2, 5, 26, 40
	*			1	b	*	c		y c	a	a	b		y		d					46	60	74	89	-	-	3, 36, 66, 70, 98
	*	b					*	*	*	y		y c	1	b		a					69	88	90	-	-	-	4
	*						a	*	b		b			*		c					28	46	57	-	-	-	7, 26, 47, 84, 88
	*	*				*	*	*	a		b	b									83	84	-	-	-	-	
	y	c	*				*		*	a	a y				y		y				11	46	59	-	-	-	27, 31, 73, 98
a		c					*			y				*		b					63	63	74	-	-	-	57, 91
c		*				a	*			y					a	a	b		*		61	76	89	-	-	-	7, 15, 23, 63, 86, 92
	b						*								a	a	c				46	71	75	-	-	-	17, 31, 64
b		a		*					*	*					c		b				71	71	80	-	-	-	3, 18, 30, 45+7, 58
		c	*		b				*	b			*			a y					66	73	87	-	-	-	
c			d	d	y b					b	*	c				a					68	76	79	87	-	-	11, 53
t		*	y	b						c	a 1	b			*						31	31	65	-	-	-	20, 48, 60, 83
b	*		c	a					*	c	*					b					22	45	78	-	-	-	17
	*	y	*							a	c	b	y								46	46	70	-	-	-	27, 45+3



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

UP NEXT



FORMED: 1863

NICKNAME: THE POTTERS

LAST SEASON: 14TH IN THE CHAMPIONSHIP

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MANAGER: MICHAEL O'NEILL

WHO?

Stoke were founded in 1863 and are the oldest professional Football League club in the world, having formed part of the twelve founder members of the Football League in 1888 and with Notts County now in Non-League football. The Potters' last piece of major silverware came in 2000 when they won the Football League Trophy, in addition to their League Cup victory back in 1972. Stoke's last piece of league silverware came in 1993 after winning the old Second Division (Third tier).

GROUND?

Stoke's home ground was built in 1998 and previously called the "Britannia Stadium" until changing names in 2016. The Bet365 Stadium has a capacity of 30,089, making it the 10th largest stadium in the Championship.

HAVEN'T WE MET BEFORE?


The Potters won both of their league games with the Hatters last season, with second half goals from Steven Fletcher and Nick Powell giving them a 2-0 win at Kenilworth Road in October 2020, before both scorers haunted the Hatters again in Stoke's 3-0 home win in the reverse fixture at the Bet365 Stadium.

KNOWING ME, KNOWING YOU

Current Town Manager Nathan Jones took charge of Stoke for 10 months before returning to Luton in May 2020. Former Hatter Mark Stein, the younger brother of Brian Stein, made 84 appearances for Luton across two spells at the club, scoring 22 goals. Current Oxford City Manager David Oldfield made 140 appearances for the Hatters over three seasons, before moving to Stoke in 1998.

Words: Dylan Bhundia

LUTON TOWN PLAYER STATISTICS

	2020-21 SEASON										CAREER		
	LEAGUE		CUP		TOTAL		CARDS		TOTAL		APPS	G	
	APPS	G	APPS	G	APPS	G			APPS	G			
Elijah Adebayo	12	(1)	7	0	(0)	0	12	(1)	7	1	0	31	12
Sam Beekwith	0	(0)	0	1	(0)	0	1	(0)	0	0	0	1	0
Amari'i Bell	12	(1)	1	0	(0)	0	12	(1)	1	1	0	13	1
Luke Berry	6	(1)	4	0	(0)	0	6	(1)	4	0	0	129	18
Sunny Bradley	6	(1)	0	0	(0)	0	6	(1)	0	0	0	138	3
James Bree	15	(0)	0	0	(0)	0	15	(0)	0	3	0	84	1
Roscoe Burke	5	(2)	0	0	(0)	0	5	(2)	0	0	0	7	0
Allan Campbell	5	(0)	0	0	(1)	0	5	(1)	0	1	0	6	0
Jordan Clark	9	(1)	0	0	(0)	0	9	(1)	0	1	0	49	3
Harry Cornick	14	(1)	6	0	(1)	0	14	(2)	6	1	0	185	29
Danny Hylton	0	(1)	1	0	(0)	0	0	(1)	1	0	0	149	59
Cameron Jerome	4	(8)	0	1	(0)	1	5	(8)	1	2	0	13	1
Peter Kioso	2	(1)	0	1	(0)	0	3	(1)	0	0	0	7	0
Henri Lansbury	4	(7)	0	1	(0)	0	5	(7)	0	5	0	12	0
Elliott Lee	0	(0)	0	1	(0)	0	1	(0)	0	0	0	124	30
Tom Lockyer	11	(0)	0	1	(0)	0	12	(0)	0	1	0	35	0
Carlos Mendes Gomes	1	(5)	0	1	(0)	0	2	(5)	0	0	0	7	0
Pelly-Ruddock Mpanzu	11	(1)	1	0	(0)	0	11	(1)	1	1	0	310	20
Admiral Muckwe	2	(6)	0	1	(0)	1	3	(6)	1	1	0	9	1
Kai Naismith	14	(0)	0	0	(0)	0	14	(0)	0	5	0	37	1
Fred Onyedinma	4	(3)	2	0	(0)	0	4	(3)	2	0	0	7	2
Gabriel Osho	6	(2)	0	1	(0)	0	7	(2)	0	3	0	10	0
Dion Pereira	0	(0)	0	0	(1)	0	0	(1)	0	0	0	2	0
Dan Potts	1	(0)	0	0	(0)	0	1	(0)	0	0	0	177	11
Glen Roa	6	(4)	0	1	(0)	0	7	(4)	0	3	0	205	8
James Shea	0	(0)	0	1	(0)	0	1	(0)	0	0	0	86	0
Simon Sluga	15	(0)	0	0	(0)	0	15	(0)	0	1	0	90	0

2021-22 CHAMPIONSHIP TABLE

#	Team	PL	W	D	L	F	A	GD	Pts
1	Bournemouth	15	11	4	0	26	8	18	37
2	Fulham	15	10	2	3	36	14	22	32
3	West Bromwich Albion	15	8	4	3	25	14	11	28
4	Coventry City	15	8	3	4	21	17	4	27
5	Huddersfield Town	15	7	3	5	19	17	2	24
6	Blackpool	15	7	3	5	18	18	0	24
7	Blackburn Rovers	15	6	5	4	25	18	7	23
8	Queens Park Rangers	15	6	4	5	26	23	3	22
9	Stoke City	15	6	4	5	20	19	1	22
10	Luton Town	15	5	6	4	23	20	3	21
11	Middlesbrough	15	6	3	6	17	15	2	21
12	Millwall	15	5	6	4	15	16	-1	21
13	Swansea City	15	5	5	5	18	17	1	20
14	Birmingham City	15	5	4	6	14	17	-3	19
15	Bristol City	15	5	4	6	17	21	-4	19
16	Reading	15	6	1	8	20	26	-6	19
17	Sheffield United	15	5	3	7	20	22	-2	18
18	Nottingham Forest	15	5	3	7	19	21	-2	18
19	Preston North End	15	4	6	5	16	18	-2	18
20	Peterborough United	15	4	2	9	16	30	-14	14
21	Cardiff City	15	3	3	9	15	29	-14	12
22	Hull City	15	2	3	10	9	21	-12	9
23	Barnsley	15	1	5	9	10	22	-12	8
24	Derby County *	15	3	8	4	11	13	-2	5

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- 08 LUKE BERRY
- 09 DANNY HYLTON
- 11 ELIJAH ADEBAYO
- 12 SIMON SLUGA
- 14 CARLOS MENDES GOMES
- 15 TOM LOCKYER
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