

Belated Rally by Luton

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Much Below Form in First Half

Torquay United...2 Luton.....1
(Attendance 5,000)

NOT until the second half did Luton, the Southern Section leaders, reveal their usual form, and Torquay fought hard to retain their lead.

The home team opened with determination, and the first half was all in their favour. After 25 minutes they took the lead, and thus encouraged, had the Luton defence temporarily unbalanced.

Another surprise after the interval was a sensational second goal, but three minutes later Luton had reduced the arrears, and in the subsequent play the visitors tried desperately for an equaliser.

The Torquay defence, however, emerged from repeated attacks without loss of confidence.

The home team's goals were secured by Hutchinson. He scored first when Coen punched away a centre by Dodds, and later added to the score with a shot from 35 yards' range.

Cook was the successful marksman for the visitors, scoring from close quarters.

Rieh, Roberts, and Cook, for Luton, and Morgan, Hunt, and Hutchinson, for Torquay, were the principal marksmen.

Green and Tapp covered the Luton forwards effectively, and Maggs saved in daring style. Coen, at the other end, was cool under pressure and showed sound anticipation.