

Town Won In A Canter At Doncaster

By Chiltern

DONCASTER ROVERS 0

LUTON TOWN 2

Brennan (2)

Giving a grand exhibition of clever football, the Town made their first visit to Doncaster a memorable one by winning in a canter.

The only wonder was that they did not double or treble their score, and two goals certainly did not reflect their superiority.

There were times in the second half when they seemed to be toying with the opposition, and the Rovers were lucky to escape so lightly, though that was little consolation to the 6,054 faithfuls who attended the match.

Once Brennan put the Town ahead after 12 minutes, there was never much question of what the final result would be. The Rovers missed their chance of drawing first blood in the early minutes when Todd failed with two openings.

After that, they were seldom in the hunt with a winning chance, and the Town forwards, playing beautifully, and finding each other most accurately, gave the home defence a worrying time.

Had the light ball played fewer tricks, the Town might have had a bagful of goals. As it was, they were indebted to the opportunism of Brennan for the points.

His first came after a centre from Wallbanks had been partly cleared, but the ball ran loose in front of goal. Brennan hit it quickly, and it entered the net despite an attempt by Bycroft to kick away.

From that point until the interval, the Town were very much masters of the situation, and after a slight improvement by the Rovers had failed to achieve anything, the Town's superiority was even more marked in the second half.

MAGNIFICENT GOAL BY BRENNAN

Some chances went begging before BRENNAN stepped into the picture again with a magnificent individual effort in which he took a pass from Waugh and cut his way through the defence before driving the ball past Hardwick.

The late decision to include Wallbanks and Connelly in the attack proved to be a happy one, for Connelly, especially, had a great match.

His coolness in midfield, the clever way in which he drew the defence, and the accuracy of his passing were big factors in the polished display of the Town forwards.

Wallbanks was always prominent in the first half, but faded out later, and Waugh, who always had the beating of Tomlinson, was the more consistent winger.

Waugh was a constant thorn in the side of the Rovers, and they just could not find a way to stop him. Brennan showed deft footwork and good ball control, while Duggan was always a forceful leader.

The defence had no weak link, and kept a moderate Rovers' attack very much subdued. Garliner, until injury forced him to move to outside right, was the most effective wing-half on the field.

Owen was little behind, and Hall dominated the middle of the field, Cooke and Lake were two safe, resourceful full-backs, and Streten was more than equal to the tasks which came his way.

Doncaster Rovers.—Hardwick; Tomlinson, Hodgson; Stirland, Lycroft, Squires; Tindill, Lowes, Bennett, Todd, Calverley.

Luton Town.—Streten; Cooke, Lake; Gardiner, Hall, Owen; Wallbanks, Brennan, Duggan, Connelly, Waugh.