

Date: Saturday, March 14, 1959

Venue: White Hart Lane

Competition: FA Cup semi-final

Score: Luton Town 1, Norwich City 1

Attendance: 63,500

1 Ken Hawkes: Left-back Hawkes was born at Easington, County Durham, and played for Shotton Colliery before joining Luton in 1951. He had a long wait for first team football but made 90 Football League appearances for the club before moving to Peterborough in 1961. He made just one appearance for Posh, however, in a 10-month spell marred by a broken arm, cracked ribs and a cartilage operation. He later played for Bedford Town and was player-coach

at St Neots. A retired sales representative for a wholesale food company, 75-year-old Hawkes lives in Luton with his wife, Betty. His younger brother, Barry, was an inside-forward for Luton, Darlington and Hartlepool.

2 Syd Owen: Birmingham-born centre-half Owen signed for Luton in 1947 and made 388 Football League appearances for the club. He won three full caps for England, one of which came when they lost 7-1 in Hungary in 1954, still their record defeat, after which he was quoted as saying: "It was like playing people from outer space." Owen was 37 by the time he skippered the Hatters to Wembley in 1959, when they were beaten 2-1 by Nottingham Forest in the FA Cup final. The same season, he was named the Football Writers' Association Footballer of the Year. He managed Luton in

1959-60 but resigned and later became part of

the Leeds United coaching team under Don Revie. He was later assistant manager at Birmingham, coach at Hull and youth coach at Manchester United, retiring in 1982. Owen died in Leeds in 1998, aged 76.

3 Errol Crossan: Canadian outside-right Crossan scored four of his tally of 32 goals for City during the FA Cup run of 1958-59, but this was not one of them – the header pictured was disallowed. Born in Montreal but moving to the Isle of Man in 1938, he began his professional career with Manchester City before moving to Gillingham and Southend, then to Norwich in 1958 for £6,000. In his first season, he scored in seven successive games, including the FA Cup victories over Manchester United and Cardiff. After 116 games, he moved to Leyton Orient for a brief spell, then returned to Canada in 1961. Now 78, Crossan lives in Langley,

British Columbia, and has been included in both Norwich City and Canadian football Hall of Fame.

4 Terry Allcock: Leeds-born Allcock, understudy to Nat Lofthouse at Bolton, joined the Canaries in 1958. Second in City's all-time scoring list with 127 goals in 389 games, he was an FA Cup giant-killer in 1959, promotion winner in 1960 and first winner of the club's player of the season award in 1966-67. He was the first man to score hat-tricks in the FA Cup and Football League Cup in the same season. He captained the Canaries and was first team coach under Ron Saunders when City won promotion to Division One in 1972 and reached the League Cup final at Wembley the following season. Allcock became Saunders' assistant at Manchester City for a brief spell. A talented cricketer, he played 47 times for Norfolk as

wicketkeeper-batsman. Now 73, he is a match day host at Carrow Road and runs a family funeral business.

5 Ron Baynham: A goalkeeper with the Army during national service, Baynham was persuaded by a friend to join Worcester City and signed for Luton Town in 1952. He claimed the number one spot for himself in 1955 as Luton won promotion to Division One for the first time. He won three full England caps, against Denmark, Northern Ireland and Spain, and played in the 1959 FA Cup final against Nottingham Forest. Baynham made 388 appearances for Luton between 1952 and 1965. He worked for many years at Luton Airport and as a painter and decorator after hanging up his gloves. Now 79, he is retired and lives in Silsoe, Bedfordshire. He was a guest of the Hatters in 2005 on the centenary of the opening of Kenilworth Road.