

Luton Receive Thrashing

Luton 1, Charlton 6

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THE amazing thing was that the result in Charlton's favour was not more. Thankfully at the end Luton manager Sam Bartram, who spent the whole of his playing career with the London club, said: "I was glad that it was not more."

Kent cricketer Stuart Leary was the guiding spirit behind this victory. lying well behind the rest of his forwards, he kept pushing the ball through with telling effect.

Credited with three goals scored in the space of 27 minutes, Edwards was largely responsible for the very first, which put Charlton right back in the game after a goal against the run of play by Turner.

In his anxiety Pacey, trying to concede a corner in the face of a challenge by Edwards, headed the ball neatly into the corner of his own net.

What finally killed Luton's hopes were two goals in the space of a minute from Edwards and Leary. Both were the result of gaping holes left down the middle of the Luton defence and with the fighting spirit evaporating Charlton, always the more assured team, obtained a sixth goal 17 minutes from the end through Kinsey.

Luton : Baynham; McNally, Bramwell; Groves, Cope, Pacey; Walden, Ashworth, Turner, McKechnie, Legate.

Charlton : Duff; Sewell, Hewie; Tocknell, Hinton, Bailey; White, Matthews, Leary, Edwards, Kinsey.

Referee : W. Clements (West Bromwich).