



Aldershot inside-forward Kearns finds himself beaten by goalkeeper Swan as the ball, from a free kick, is lobbed into the Luton goal area.

STYLISH LUTON LACK PUNCH

Aldershot 4, Luton 1

RON DAVIES, Aldershot's experienced ex-Cardiff and Southampton full-back, was handed the No. 3 shirt just before the kick-off when Dick Renwick failed a fitness test. And how he earned his place—kicking off the line twice in ten minutes as Luton exerted pressure in the early stages.

French and Riddick were the culprits—they should easily have netted with goalkeeper Tony Godfrey grovelling on the ground helplessly on both occasions. But they both shot straight to Davies.

These escapes served only to jerk Aldershot out of their sluggishness. They came back with fast-moving and resourceful football which swept Luton to yet another away defeat.

O'Brien penalty

Luton have still to win away from home this season. Aldershot's top goal scorer, Jack Howarth led the rout. He deftly back-heeled his side into the lead and this supplied his team with the confidence they so badly needed after a shaky start. O'Brien made it two from the penalty spot after being brought down by Dougan.

Luton hit back straight from the re-start and surprised Aldershot when Rioch sent a 12-yard drive in off the underside of the bar. But this turned out to be only a token effort.

Aldershot resumed command, particularly in the centre of the field, and Howarth added his second goal before McAnearny finished the scoring a minute from time. Luton's mid-field play, particularly during the first 20 minutes, was stylish, but their finishing was disastrous.

Aldershot: Godfrey; Walden, Davies; McNearney, Walker, Dawes; Walton, O'Brien, Howarth, Kearns, Burton.

Luton: Swan; Thomson, Jardine; Slough, Dougan, Moore; French, Kevan, Riddick, Rioch, Whittaker.

Referee: R. V. Spittle (Caister-on-Sea).