



● Swindon goalkeeper Peter Downsbrough comes to the rescue in this Luton attack. Standing by in case of trouble—Stan Harland (No. 6) and Rod Thomas

Luton's Lewis teases and taunts Swindon

BRIAN LEWIS, Luton's little big shot, teased and taunted Swindon to defeat at Kenilworth Road. Lewis, nagging and nibbling at every chance which came his way, at first got little change out of his tussle with Stan Harland.

Referee J. Hunting had to speak to both men when Lewis had seized Harland by the scruff of the neck after one especially tough tackle.

But Lewis—and Luton—had the last laugh. For he made the game safe with a shot which went under Peter Downsbrough's diving body in the 78th minute.

It is hard to blame the goalkeeper for this error. He had been injured in the 57th minute as he tried to smother a shot from Laurie Sheffield, and he was obviously still suffering a minute later when he stood stranded on the six-yard line as Sheffield turned in a long cross from Bruce Rioch for Luton's first goal.

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It came as a shock, for Swindon had come storming out of their top security defensive shell which they had constructed before the interval.

Sandy Davie, in the home goal, must have been bewildered by the non-stop bombardment, as Swindon swung into the kind of action which has brought them

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success in the League and League Cup this season.

Davie stuck out a leg to divert a goal-bound effort by Roger Smart. Then he blocked a shot from Peter Noble, saw another safely round a post, and plunged to grab yet another off the lethal boot of Don Rogers.

But Swindon seemed to lose concentration and cohesion at the frustration of all these efforts—plus the unlucky injury to Downsbrough.

It was a pity, because Swindon, clearly still under the influence of their League Cup win in mid-week, opened with the heart of a side who are finding winning a matter of course.

They dominated the first half when Luton were very naive in the way they tried to open up Swindon's stranglehold.

Swindon's onside play—carefully worked out, cunningly operated—didn't endear them to the Luton fans. But it worked.