

LUTON STILL IN HUNT

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THESE two points kept Luton in the promotion race but it was not an impressive performance because they did not make the best use of the chances they created.

For much of the first half they were on top yet had to wait until three minutes from half time when MacDonald, who had been promising much without much success, atoned for previous misses.

Tranmere's young side were plucky and showed determination but they, too, lacked a marksman despite Beamish twice going close during the first half.

Tranmere owed a considerable debt to Lane, their young goal-keeper, for remaining in touch with the game until the 59th minute.

French missed an open goal after a bewildering solo run and it was left to right-back Ryan to make Luton's position more comfortable with the second goal.

Luton.—Davie; Ryan, Jardine, Slough, Branston, Moore, MacDonald, Collins, Tees, Keen, French.

Tranmere.—Lane; Griffiths, Gill, Moorcroft, Knapp, King, Kennedy, Mathias, Beamish, Pritchard, Crossley.