

BRAVE LUTON REARGUARD EARNs POINT

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THE biggest attendance in the Second Division, 26,689 — also bigger than four of Saturday's First Division gates—saw Cardiff City dominate Luton, but not quite beat them.

Luton retained second place in the table, and their point lead over Cardiff, for two main reasons—the bravery of their defence and Cardiff's lack of finish.

Cardiff's fluent, strong, midfield system, starring Sutton (for strength) and Gibson (for ideas), launched wave after wave of attacks which foundered because, with Toshack gone to Liverpool, there was no one tall enough, or good enough, to beat Nicholl.

Cardiff.—Eadie; Carver, Bell, Sutton, Murray, Harris, Gibson, Clark, Phillips, Woodruff, King.

Luton.—Read; John Ryan, Bannister, Hoy, Nicholl, Slough, Jimmy Ryan, Court, MacDonald, Keen, Givens.