

LUTON LOOK SO COOL

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Watford 0

Luton 1

NEVER was a captain named more aptly than Mike Keen. "Mr Enthusiastic" played a key role in midfield and also headed the 28th-minute goal that keeps Luton among the promotion pace-setters.

These teams are poles apart in the Second Division and it is not difficult to see why. Watford seemed to enjoy unnecessary work, running around like busy bees, yet producing no honey.

Luton played it much cooler—a quick stab out of defence and an attack was built up with two or three deadly passes, usually via the cultured feet of Keen. The powerful Macdonald was always menacing, yet was deprived of real openings by the dedicated attentions of Lees.

Watford's forwards seemed paralysed in the penalty area.

Walley, in particular, wasted several good chances, and when Wigg did get a second-half shot on target Read made the save of the match.

Generally, Nicholl was the master of the middle. This promising young centre-half has the look of a Jack Charlton, with his stately, giraffe-like neck always ready to expand and snuff out any danger.

Watford.—Walker; Butler, Packer, Garbett, Lees, Eddy, Scullion, Wigg, Lugg (sub: Welbourne 70min), Walley, Woods.

Luton.—Read; Ryan (John), Bannister, Hoy (sub: Collins 85min), Nicholl, Slough, Ryan (Jimmy), Court, Macdonald, Keen, Givens.