



● Wham! Norwich back Alan Black blasts clear to break up a Luton raid.

Late penalty puts brake on Luton

Norwich 1 Luton 1: by PHILIP OSBORN

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TWENTY-FOUR seconds from time substitute Terry Anderson completed a tremendous Norwich revival by forcing the penalty which brought the dramatic equaliser—and denied Luton top place in the Second Division. As Luton toiled desperately to stem Norwich, Anderson hurled himself at a cross ball. His header scorched towards the corner of the net.

With a mighty leap, Luton defender Jack Bannister knocked it on to the bar. But he had used a fist, and Ken Foggo slammed home the penalty.

This robbed Luton of the point which would have lifted them above leaders Leicester City on goal average.

For almost an hour Luton had looked a class above their opponents. Strong in defence, positive in midfield, and fluent in attack, they were hardly flattered by their interval lead.

Sir Alf Ramsey saw Malcolm Macdonald shoot his 19th goal of the season to put Luton ahead in the 12th minute—and then follow with a sizzling left-foot drive on the turn which was only inches wide.

The England boss must also have marked down Chris Nicholl and Alan Slough, strong men in the heart of Luton's defence, as potential Under-23 caps.

Johnny Collins, called in for his first outing of the season, was also impressive. Against such commanding men, Norwich's Graham Paddon and Doug Livermore were unable to make any mark in midfield.

AGGRESSION

● Only Foggo, bristling with aggression on Norwich's right flank, seemed capable of upsetting Luton. But with Norwich's light-weight front line unable to match the visitors in the air, most of his work was wasted.

The biggest threat to Luton's goal in the first half came from a hasty clearance by John Ryan, who blasted the ball just over his own crossbar.

After Macdonald had missed with a header, and forced a sharp save from Kevin Keelan, Norwich gambled on a 57th-minute substitution.

He called on Anderson for out of touch Max Briggs. And the eager newcomer sparked Norwich into a spirited revival.

Paddon began to apply his delicate skills and Trevor Howard managed to lose Nicholl last. David Stringer headed against the Luton bar and Foggo prodded a shot just wide.

Norwich maintained their fervour to the end—and that well deserved penalty equaliser in the second minute of injury time.

Luton manager Alec Stock was philosophical about his side's second-half slump. "Our three midfield men lost their grip and others looked a bit jaded," he said.

NORWICH.—Keelan; Payne, Black, Stringer, Forbes, Briggs, Livermore, Silvester, Howard, Paddon, Foggo.

LUTON.—Read; Ryan (John), Bannister, Collins, Nicholl, Slough, Ryan (Jimmy), Court, Macdonald, Keen, Givens. Sub: Coadve.