

LUTON MAKE IT A LUCKY BREAK ^{70/71} (FAC)

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NOTTINGHAM FOREST's winter of discontent continues and they can hardly be anticipating tomorrow's replay with enthusiasm.

For about half an hour, Forest mastered Luton by playing far above recent form on an unpredictable, frozen surface and they were leading when the game was held up for 15 minutes while a snapped goal post was replaced.

Winfield anxiously trying to block a shot from Luton's Macdonald, had plunged on into the netting. The interval for repairs took Forest off the boil.

"Until that happened, we were doing well enough," said Matt Gillies, their manager

Forest had displayed the right blend of bravery and skill to conquer the pitch and in the 16th minute McKintosh, a £5,000 signing from Montrose in September, scored his first goal for the club.

He forced the ball home after Read, who later claimed he was impeded, had failed to cut out a free kick from Winfield.

After the hold-up, Luton profited from their tactical discussion with manager Alec Stock. Macdonald moved deeper to find more space and suddenly their football began to flow.

Remarkable effort

Hoy twice went close with headers before the consistent Macdonald earned the replay with his 20th goal of the season. It came in the 69th minute—and a remarkable one it was, even by his own high standard.

His first shot, from Jim Ryan's cross, was blocked by Hindley, but Macdonald maintained his composure and leapt high to head home the rebound.

Nottingham Forest.—Barron; Hindley, Winfield, Chapman, O'Kane, Jackson, McKintosh, Lyons, Cormack, Richardson, Moore.

Luton Town.—Read; Ryan (John), Bannister, Hoy, Nicholl, Slough, Ryan (Jimmy), Court, Macdonald, Keen, Givens.