

McGiven pegs back Luton

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Sunderland 2, Luton 2

LUTON came for a point with a defence that seemed ill-equipped for the task. Yet they achieved their objective and almost won, thanks to a Sunderland attack that failed to take its chances and to an uncertain defence.

Sunderland dominated the first-half with Porterfield and Tueart prominent and it was no surprise when Watson shot them ahead from 20 yards in the 19th minute.

The biggest blow to Sunderland came in the 56th minute when the limping Porterfield was replaced by Hamilton. Within seconds Luton forced a corner and Nicholl slammed the equaliser from close in.

Anderson gave Luton a shock lead with a quarter-of-an-hour to run but three minutes later McGiven salvaged Sunderland pride with a tremendous first time shot from outside the area.