

HATTERS HOLD THE UNITED TO FOURTH DRAW ON THE TROT



A close shave for Luton Town, as Tot Winstanley, the Carlisle United centre half, sends in a header — only for the ball to be cleared off the goal-line during this afternoon's game at Brunton Park.

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It was a no-goal stalemate at Brunton Park today, where Carlisle encountered a lively and enterprising challenge from middle of the league Luton. It was the fourth consecutive league draw for United.

Both sides endeavoured to play good football, and there were scoring chances, but Luton — good value for their point — came closest to winning when Court's marvellous shot was saved by Ross in the closing stages.

In the initial stages Luton looked an admirable footballing side, and their adroit and accurate movement of the ball made them if anything the better team.

Bowles tried to respond for Carlisle with a header from Hemstead's looping cross, but although the ball defeated the diving Reed, it went wide of the upright.

Then Balderstone worked his way behind the defence and

THE TEAMS

Carlisle United: Ross; Hempstead, Gorman; Ternant, Winstanley, Bowles; Barton, Martin, Owen, Train, Balderstone. Sub: Webb.

Luton Town: Read; Ryan, Slough; Keen, Nicholl, Moore; Wainwright, Court, Halom, Givens, Busby. Sub: Hindson.

Ref: Mr J. Wrennall, Chorley.

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OLGA SAYS: Carlisle's temporary powercut.

pulled the ball back from a wonderful position near the by-line. Martin was running onto the ball but his shot cannoned clear off the legs of a defender.

Carlisle endeavouring to take control of the play in midfield and cut out the supply to Luton's obviously capable attack came forward again and Owen, gathering a pass from Balderstone, lashed a shot into the arms of the goalkeeper.

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Carlisle produced a sparkling combined move down the middle, culminating in a pass from Barton to Bowles — who was well inside the area. But Bowles, although there seemed to be a bit of room in which to try a shot—endeavoured to thread his way through and was hustled out of it.

The nearest Carlisle had come to scoring in the first quarter of the match was with the sizeable assistance of Luton fullback Slough, who headed a left-wing corner kick against his own crossbar.

Luton continued to display considerable quality about their football, but Carlisle were having more of the play as the game progressed. When Martin wriggled his way along the by-line and inched his cross out of the reach of Read, lanky centre-half Nichol cleared off the goal-line.

Train, seeking his first-ever goal for United, almost did it with a quick interception, but once again the final shot could not master a difficult angle.

Luton won a free-kick just outside the Carlisle penalty box,