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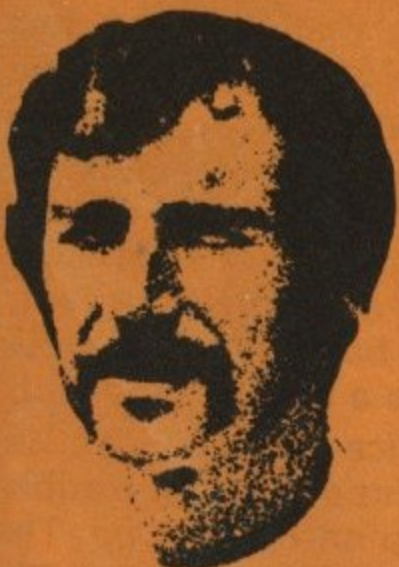
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HARRY HASLAM



I have been asked for my views on the subject of tightening up on club discipline, which was mentioned in the local Press this week.

To this I say that we have a good set of young players at Luton who do not need the big stick waving at them. What discipline I impose is basically only what you get in a factory, when if you are late to work you lose money.

We at Luton start in the morning at 10-00 am, and I think there is every reason why the players should be here at that time, although I do appreciate that in this game we get some late nights.

The general idea of this sort of discipline is to keep control, because if one part of a club goes lax, then the lot goes as well.

Our players have reacted to it marvelously. They have accepted it, and now they always ask before they do a thing, in case they are doing the wrong thing. They make sure that they are right.

Our players are intelligent and physically fit. They make a lot of money in this game and are expected to meet many people, but they are expected to use the common sense which they have.

In all fair play to these lads, they do discipline themselves. When they know that they are unable to accept late night invitations for certain nights, they turn them down. In our club this is all part and parcel of the job.

I have been talking in relation to internal club discipline. Out on the field it is something different, because it is like the gladiators being roared on by the crowd.

There are two ways the players can act with the crowd shouting them on. They can either respond to the crowd encouraging them to win, and get results, or they can be effected by the mood of the crowd for a far different reason.

This can be when a player is going through and is pulled down, and urged on by the fans' anger he does something that he didn't ought to do in the heat of the moment.

I am happy that our players are beginning to realise this, and am pleased that in six games so far, we have only had three marks credited against us. This is good going, and proves that our lads are never looking for trouble.

Going back to the same player breaking through the middle when he is pulled

down! When this happens, we sitting in the stands see it one way the players on the field see it another, and the referee, the man who has to make the decision sees it from another viewpoint.

In these circumstances I think it would help if the players concerned, and the referee, would count to ten before making a decision in the heat of the moment.

On crowd behaviour. I think there are again two types of supporter. A lot of the little flare-ups we get are little differences of opinion that occur when you get two people standing together, one supporting each side.

They are highly partisan, and when an incident occurs, one lifts his fists in the heat of the moment, and there is a little flurry, but it is nothing that can not be talked out and calmed down afterwards.

The other sort of trouble from people who come to matches in bunches for no other reason than to cause trouble on the ground. They bring weapons with them, and hurl missiles on the field, and these are the youngsters I feel a little sorry for, because they are basically not criminals, because they will be 'pinched' and fined, and there is no fun in that. But they will not go on to lead a criminal life.

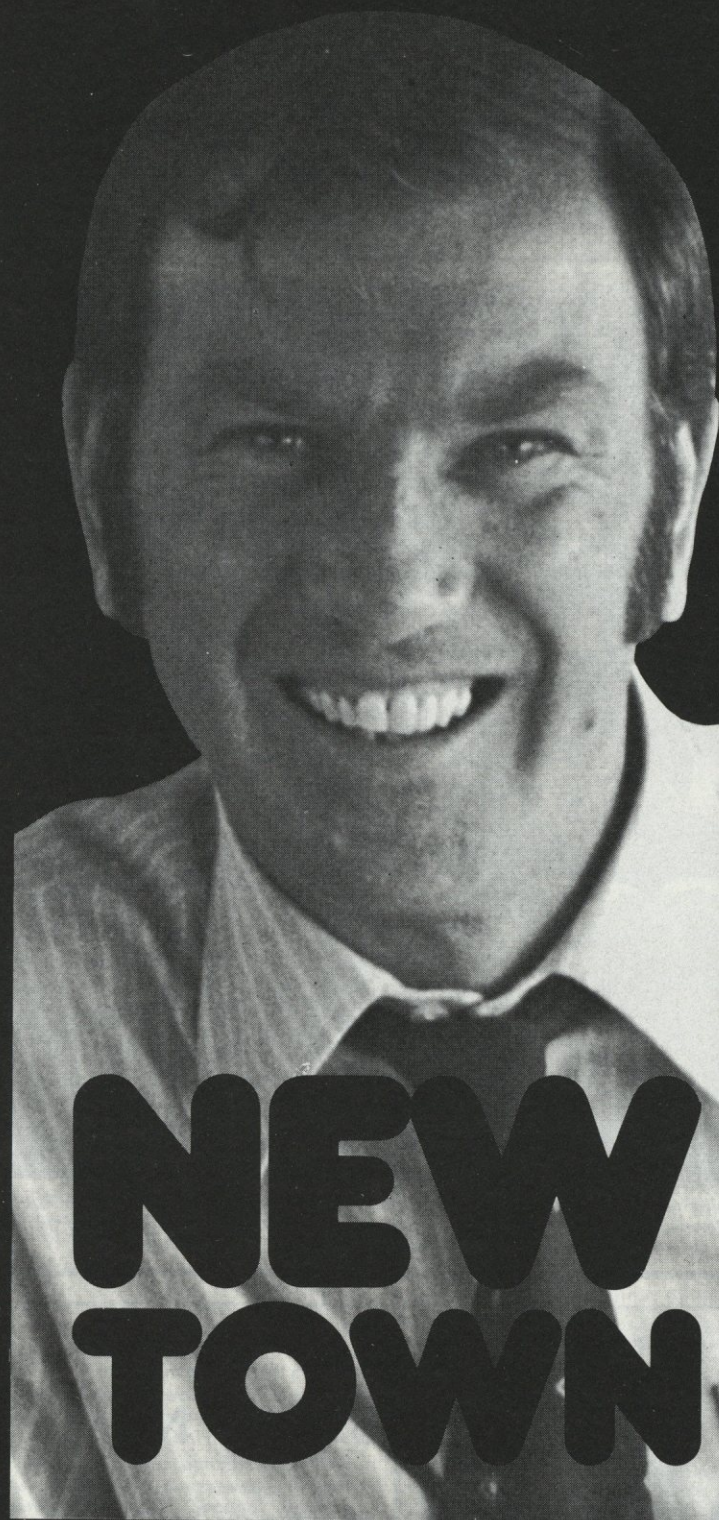
Get these youngsters on their own, away from the bunch, and they fold up, so they are not really bad. I think that this is a sign of the times, although I am glad to see that it seems to be dying out. Certainly we have had none of this type of trouble at our games, or any match I have watched this season.

I have been asked for my views on this subject, but I think that the less we talk about this sort of violence, the quicker it will die out, and the police on the ground, whose job it is to keep them out, in co-operation with us, will have an easier job.

But I can say that in Luton our supporters are a 'bloody' good bunch, and they are bloody good!

In travelling with them to away matches with the players on the train over the last three years, I know that their behaviour has always been a hundred per cent, and I can do nothing but offer them bouquets, because they are a credit to the club.

Our local police have always handled efficiently the little bits of trouble that have cropped up on the ground. They are doing a first-class job, and have worked well in co-operation with us.



A manager's right-hand man—his senior trainer-coach—is possibly more valuable to an individual club than a £100,000 striker.

The majority of the big teams have big-name partnerships. Though the new Harry Haslam-Roy McCrohan combination cannot be associated with the great duo's—yet—this is the managerial status for which the Luton planners must aim.

'The Boss and I are experienced at working out football's problems, for we were together at Fulham in 1968,' says Roy. 'Sadly, it didn't quite work out for either of us. We were both released—along with manager Bobby Robson—after just four months.'

The former Norwich City player has, of course, taken over during the close season from Jimmy Andrews. He says: 'I may be old fashioned, but I am a great believer in goals. The only way to win matches is to get them by going out to attack. Harry and I agreed on this policy before the season started and we disappeared over to Turkey to put it to the test.

'At the time, I had only a scant knowledge of the team's individual ability. But I saw enough to suggest that there is a good season ahead. Our opening results didn't do a great deal to vindicate such an opinion. But a few subsequent results—like the way the lads tackled Birmingham in the League Cup—put our capabilities in proper perspective. Luton have a wonderful pool of talented players who were mainly subjected to unfortunate pressures last season.

Of course, there was a time when Roy had no love for Luton—and no one would blame him for that. Just 13 years ago Norwich ('we want to follow them into the First') came on the scene as one of the greatest Cup battling sides seen for a very long time. But after holding their semi-final opponents to a draw they went down by the odd goal in the replay at St. Andrews to . . . Luton Town.

Time has healed all those wounds of the past. It is a new world now for Roy McCrohan who, if he makes as big a success in his new capacity as the reputation he earned as a player, he will achieve Luton's ambition of regaining First Division status.

Signed originally by the legendary Ted Drake for Reading in 1949, Roy went on between the years 1951 and 1962 to play almost 500 senior games for Norwich, mainly at wing-half. In his latter years with the Canaries, Roy became a qualified F.A. coach before moving on to Colchester and Bristol Rovers.

Though his stay was brief, it did Roy no harm because when Bobby Robson came back onto the scene at Ipswich, the first thing he did was to pull Roy in with him to act as reserve-team trainer. The Portman Road position has sharpened Roy's appetite for fresh involvement at the top and this is the Haslam-McCrohan target.

TALKING ABOUT BIRMINGHAM



Back row: Roger Hynd, Alan Whitehead, Tommy Carroll, Ray Martin, Paul Cooper, Mike Kelly, Stan Harland, Tony Want, Dave Robinson.
Centre row: George Smith, Alan Campbell, Garry Pendrey, Gordon Taylor, Bobby Hope, Malcolm Page. Front row: Steve Phillips, Bob Hatton, Bob Latchford, Trevor Francis, Phil Summerill, Ken Burns.

In terms of support, situation and potential, Birmingham City rank among the country's leading clubs—with a powerful set-up which belongs on the First Division scene.

Together with their close rivals, Aston Villa, they began a revival last season that is soon expected to give the City of Birmingham, with its million people, a double-link with the top division.

They have not been together in Division One since 1965 when Birmingham were relegated. But Blues came bouncing back last season and, with Aston Villa winning the Third Division, Birmingham's football centres boomed to the envy of many top clubs.

City averaged around 34,000, with gates soaring over the 40,000-mark as promotion fever gripped the St. Andrew's terraces. A wonderful run of four successive home F.A. Cup-ties also enabled them to reach the semi-final, where they were beaten by the eventual Wembley winners, Leeds United.

This was followed by an exhausting run of Second Division matches which ended with them winning 1-0 at Orient in the last fixture of the season—and that put them in second place with just one point to spare over Norwich City.

Quite rightly, Birmingham faced up to the First Division with a confidence born from losing only five League matches last term. They were unbeaten at home and, when Sheffield United appeared at St. Andrew's on 12th August, City had the longest undefeated home run in the League—36 games stretching back to October, 1970.

With nearly 40,000 people in the ground, Birmingham looked set for a great return to the top. Bob Latchford, last season's top Second Division goal-scorer with 23 goals, put them in an early lead, but then in the words of manager Freddie Goodwin, they learned their first lesson about Division One—mistakes are punished far more severely.

Sheffield snatched two goals and broke that wonderful home record. Ironically, it was the Blades who last won a League match at Birmingham, during the season when they gained promotion!

Blues soon cheered up again by beating Malcolm Macdonald's Newcastle United 3-2, despite a good goal from the former Luton hero. Then came the big test—two successive away matches—and Birmingham went down 2-0 each time at Ipswich and Tottenham.

This was followed by a 1-1 home draw against Crystal Palace and two exciting 'derby' matches against their Black Country neighbours. Latchford grabbed a last-minute goal to make it 2-2 at The Hawthorns, but they went three down in half an hour at Molineux before gallantly coming back to finish only 3-2 down.

So, with only four points from seven games, Blues have discovered the vast difference from the Second Division level. And their battle to establish is a warning for promotion-conscious teams who aim for the First Division with only a fraction of Birmingham's resources.



TREVOR FRANCIS IN ACTION AGAINST CRYSTAL PALACE

Building a promotion team took manager Goodwin only two seasons—and cost over a quarter of a million pounds in outgoing transfer fees for eight players. His ability to spot value for money enabled him to get six of these for not much more than £100,000, but he had to pay £75,000 for the midfield polish of Alan Campbell and a club record £80,000 for Carlisle United striker Bob Hatton.

Hatton formed an instant understanding with Latchford and the brilliant teenager, Trevor Francis. This trio were undoubtedly the best outside the First Division and Hatton, with 22 goals, finished only one behind Latchford as the highest scorer in the section.

Francis was not quite as dynamic in terms of goals as in his first meteoric season, but although his flair and pace made him the target for some tough treatment, he was voted the Player of the Season by Second Division managers.

In keeping with his faith in youth, Mr Goodwin introduced several more good-

class youngsters into the senior side. Ken Burns, a striker or defender from Glasgow, did so well in a few appearances that Tommy Docherty hit the headlines by calling him into the Scottish squad for the Home International Championship.

Paul Cooper, an 18-year-old goalkeeper from the Black Country, was an even bigger success. With Mike Kelly and Dave Latchford out through injury, Paul went in the side in January and was established as number one when the others got fit again.

The atmosphere at St. Andrew's was certainly bubbling at the back end of last season, but Mr Goodwin estimated extra problems in the First Division. He spent around £100,000 to buy Spurs' reserve left-back, Tony Want, and West Bromwich Albion's former Scottish international forward, Bobby Hope.

They arrived in time to get to know Birmingham's methods in the Anglo-Italian Cup and a later tour of North America.

BRIEF HISTORY OF BIRMINGHAM CITY F.C. . . .

Ground: St. Andrew's, Birmingham B9 4NH.

Founded: 1875 as Small Heath Alliance. Original members of League Division Two, 1892. Changed to Birmingham in 1905 and added 'City' in 1945.

Record Attendance: 66,844 against Everton (F.A. Cup) in February, 1939.

Division Two Champions: 1892-93, 1920-21, 1947-48, 1954-55.

Division Two Runners-up: 1893-94, 1900-01, 1902-03, 1971-72.

F.A. Cup Finalists: 1931, 1956.

Football League Cup Winners: 1963.

European Fairs Cup Runners-up: 1960, 1961.

Five-Year Record . . .

Season	League	Position	Won	For	Against	Points
1971-72	2	2nd	19	60	31	56
1970-71	2	9th	17	58	48	46
1969-70	2	18th	11	51	78	33
1968-69	2	7th	18	73	59	44
1967-68	2	4th	19	83	51	52

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MANAGER CAPTAIN

Freddie Goodwin was one of the first managers who cost a 'transfer fee'. When he was appointed by Birmingham City during the summer of 1970, he was contracted to Brighton and Hove Albion and the St. Andrew's club had to pay a sizeable fee in compensation.

Mr Goodwin's last season at Brighton had been highly successful, with Albion promising promotion from the Third Division until fading around Easter-time, and Mr Goodwin's name was then being mentioned in high places as one of the top managers of the future.

Birmingham, managerless after the departure of Stan Cullis, had been searching for a big name, approaching men like Don Revie, and, in fact, it was the Leeds United chief who recommended Mr Goodwin to Blues.

They accepted the tip and Mr Goodwin moved to Birmingham along with two key members of his Brighton backroom team—coach Willie Bell, the former Leeds left back, and trainer George Dalton, whose promising career with Newcastle United was ended by a broken leg.

The new trio found Birmingham City at a low ebb, having gone dangerously close to relegation to the Third Division in 1969-70. But, with shrewd signings and the introduction of young players like Trevor Francis, they improved dramatically after Christmas, 1971, and were in with a slight promotion chance until defeat here at Luton.

There was no mistake last season when Birmingham again came through from behind and clinched promotion after seven seasons in the Second Division. Mr Goodwin was rewarded with a new contract, putting him among the highest-paid managers in the country—and Birmingham could only say 'thanks' to Don Revie for his advice in 1970.

Freddie Goodwin served Manchester United in the 1958 F.A. Cup Final.



FREDDIE GOODWIN



STAN HARLAND

Stan Harland, bought by Freddie Goodwin to give experience to the promotion-chasing defence nearly a year ago, spent 12 seasons chasing his ambition of a place in First Division football.

The move to St. Andrew's fulfilled his dreams quicker than he expected, for, within a few months, he was skipper of Blues as they won promotion and reached the F.A. Cup Semi-Final.

However, leading an honours-winning side was not new to Stan Harland. He was captain of Swindon Town when they won the Football League Cup against Arsenal at Wembley and he later collected the first Anglo-Italian Cup on behalf of the Wiltshire club.

Stan spent an enjoyable time with Swindon—his fourth League club—but lost his place last season when Dave Mackay arrived from Derby County. Cardiff City were among the first clubs to chase his signature, but although he had the choice of moving to Ninian Park, he preferred the extra potential of Birmingham City.

'I have never come across a club so geared up for the First Division,' he said on joining City at the age of 31. 'I have not given up hope of getting into Division One and that is why I was so glad to sign for Blues.'

Stan had not been at St. Andrew's long before he was chosen to replace caretaker-captain Alan Campbell. There was just one disappointment as Birmingham powered towards promotion—Stan was injured and had to watch the last two vital games from the stands.

Born in Liverpool, Stan has always lived on Merseyside, even when playing for clubs many miles from home. After leaving Everton without getting a League chance, he joined Bradford City and began building a reputation as soccer's number one commuter.

POINTS ON PLAYERS

KEN BURNS, *Defender or Striker*

Born Glasgow. A product of Blues' Youth Scheme, he made his debut in September, 1971, against Hull City and finished with seven appearances during the 1971-72 season. Played for Scotland in the 'Little World Cup' in Spain and came home to join the full Scotland squad for the Home International Championships.

ALAN CAMPBELL, *Midfield*

Born Arbroath. Joined Blues in October, 1970, and made his debut against Queens Park Rangers. He joined Charlton Athletic from school as a striker, but has since changed to his present midfield role. Honours: Scottish Youth and Under-23 international. Appearances during the 1971-72 season: 48.

TOMMY CARROLL, *Defender*

Born in Dublin. Joined Blues in October, 1971, and made his debut against Burnley. An established full-back. Honours: Regular appearances for his native Eire. Appearances during the 1971-72 season: 32.

PAUL COOPER, *Goalkeeper*

Born Brierley Hill. A product of Blues' Youth Scheme, making his first-team debut against Portsmouth in January, 1972. At 18, he established himself in his first three months of first-team football, making 15 first-team appearances.

TREVOR FRANCIS, *Forward*

Born Plymouth. A product of Blues' Youth Scheme, and made his debut against Cardiff City in September, 1970. A prolific striker, he scored four goals against Bolton Wanderers when only 16. Has appeared regularly for England Youth. Appearances during the 1971-72 season: 45, scoring 14 goals.

BOB HATTON, *Forward*

Born Hull. Joined Blues in October, 1971, and made his debut against Burnley in the same month. Previous clubs—Wolverhampton Wanderers, Bolton Wanderers, Northampton Town and Carlisle United. Made 31 appearances during the 1971-72 season, scoring 26 goals (nine for Carlisle).

BOBBY HOPE, *Midfield*

Born Bridge-of-Allen, Stirlingshire. Joined Birmingham City from West Bromwich Albion in the close season of 1972-73. A great passer of the ball, he has played for Scotland at Youth, Under-23 and full international levels.

ROGER HYND, *Centre-half*

Born Falkirk. Joined Blues in July, 1970, and made his debut against Queens Park Rangers the following month. A dominant figure in the centre of the defence. Previous clubs—Glasgow Rangers, Crystal Palace. Was an ever-present during the 1971-72 season.



BOB LATCHFORD

MIKE KELLY, *Goalkeeper*

Born Northampton. Joined Blues in July, 1970, and made his debut the following month against Queens Park Rangers. Goalkeeper and qualified coach. Honours: Amateur international for England. Appearances during the 1971-72 season: 19. Was appointed reserve-team player-coach for this season, but returned to the League side after three matches.

BOB LATCHFORD, *Forward*

Born Birmingham. A product of Blues' Youth Scheme, he made his debut in March, 1969, against Preston North End. Blues' top scorer during the 1971-72 season with 27 goals, the best in Division Two. Honours: England Youth international. Appearances during the 1971-72 season: 48.

RAY MARTIN, *Defender*

Born Wolverhampton. Another product of Blues' Youth Scheme, he made his debut in January, 1964, against Manchester United. Made 15 appearances in the 1971-72 season, but was dropped into the reserves and lost the club captaincy.

MALCOLM PAGE, *Midfield*

Born Knucklas. Blues are Malcolm's only professional club, and he made his debut in February, 1969, against Everton. A player of tremendous versatility, his most prominent position is midfield. Honours:

Welsh international, playing at right-back in last season's Home International Championships. Appearances for the 1971-72 season: 44.

GARRY PENDREY, *Defender*

Born Birmingham. A product of Blues' Youth Scheme, he made his first-team debut in March, 1969, against Bolton Wanderers. A defender who has great ability to overlap, but now playing more in midfield. Appearances for the 1971-72 season: 46.

STEVE PHILLIPS, *Forward*

Born in London. A product of Blues' Youth Scheme, he made his debut in August, 1971, against Carlisle United. Made six appearances during the last season.

DAVE ROBINSON, *Defender*

Born Birmingham. Another product of Blues' Youth Scheme, he made his debut in September, 1969, against Aston Villa. Made ten first-team appearances last season.

GEORGE SMITH, *Midfield*

Born Newcastle-upon-Tyne. Joined Blues in 1971, making his debut against Orient in March of that year. Previous clubs—Newcastle United, Barrow, Portsmouth and Middlesbrough. A strong midfield player who made 24 appearances last season. Missed the start of this season because of injury.

PHIL SUMMERILL, *Forward*

Born Birmingham. A product of Blues' Youth Scheme, he made his debut in March, 1967, against Carlisle United. Made only eight appearances last season, but had previously been top scorer for two seasons.

GORDON TAYLOR, *Winger*

Born Ashton-under-Lyne. Joined Blues in December, 1970, from Bolton Wanderers, and made his debut against Carlisle United in the same month. An established winger who made 32 appearances last season.

TONY WANT, *Defender*

Born Hackney. Only previous club Tottenham Hotspur, whom he joined as a youngster. A defender of great stamina. Honours: England Youth team 1966-67. Joined Birmingham in the close season of 1972-73.

ALAN WHITEHEAD, *Defender*

Born Birmingham. A product of Blues' Youth Scheme, he made his debut in April, 1972, against Middlesbrough. A strong defender, who made three appearances during the 1971-72 season.

DAVE HOWITT, *Defender*

Born Birmingham. Joined Blues as an apprentice and, at 18, he made his League debut a fortnight ago against West Bromwich Albion. The first game against Luton was his first in Cup football.

MAN ON THE SPOT

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MAN ABOUT TOWN



MAN ABOUT TOWN—VIC HALOM

Catching Vic Halom in a clairvoyant mood after Luton's impressive League Cup draw at St. Andrew's, we learned of the possibility of a whole new 'goal vista' opening up for the fans at Kenilworth Road. Vic told us: 'I will be disappointed if I don't get at least 15 goals for Luton this term, and that goes for Viv Busby, Peter Anderson and Rodney Fern.'

'Personally, I have enjoyed more chances already this season—I should have got four against Huddersfield instead of a couple—than in the corresponding nine months.'

Vic Halom's boots were made for scoring . . . in Hungary. 'Since I first started taking the game seriously I have always endeavoured to get hold of a certain style of boot which originated in Hungary. It might be psychological, but I am convinced I could never again be comfortable in another make. I have had them since my Burton-on-Trent days and to me, they are as important as the correct bat is to Geoff Boycott.'

Vic, former Charlton, Orient and Fulham striker, who joined us just 12 months ago, admits he is now far happier with the set-up than at any previous time.

Now settled in his new house in Dunstable with his wife Jean, Vic explains: 'Believe it or not, many players take home their problems—and they are plenty if the goals dry up—and invariably the better half, and the dog, get involved.'

'A couple of months ago, I started an Electrical Contract business and when I am free of my responsibilities for Luton, I get out and meet people in other walks of life. It's a pleasant diversion from being occupied as a professional footballer 24 hours a day.'

But Vic would be the first to agree that his first priority in life at the moment is GOALS. 'And they are sure to come. We are revived and refreshed and the spirit amongst the lads at the moment is such that I think it would be no pie-in-the-sky dreams to think we can finish in the top four.'

'We are ten times better now than at any time last season when I got the impression the side went stale. Now Harry Haslam has given us self-respect and I hope that we can repay the Boss in full.'

For some fans, Luton's approach ideas may appear over-elaborated and resemble a crazy-paving pattern. But it is all born out of the five strong midfield striking force who all follow the set plans to back up Viv Busby.

Says Vic: 'Luton are operating a flexible-five system and according to the design and territorial nature of our attacks, certain players will sweep forward and break through from deep positions. Compared to us, other sides will look basically static. That is one criticism we shall never be guilty of this season.'

Vic, whose career almost collapsed when a specialist told him at Fulham that a knee problem spelt the finish, is now an integral member of the 'flexible-five' because: 'I don't turn quickly enough now to get the results up front that Viv can create. I mingle in midfield, where I can shake off an opposition shadow and be ready and free to come to grips with the opportunities.'

The most pleasing aspect of the new Luton team, says Vic, is the willingness to help each other. Every player has a responsibility to his team-mates and while they continue to show this appetite to cover for one another, the side will enjoy its work—and be successful at the same time.

STATISTICS...

LEAGUE DIVISION TWO															
HOME			AWAY			Team	*Home Gates		†Leading Scorers						
P	W	D	L	F	A		Best	Average							
7	4	0	0	11	4	1	0	2	4	6	10	SHEFFIELD WEDNESDAY	23,109	20,483	Joicey 7, Sunley 4
6	2	2	0	9	4	1	1	0	3	1	9	BURNLEY	14,804	12,143	James 3, Thomas 3
6	2	1	0	4	1	2	0	1	4	4	9	ASTON VILLA	34,843	31,355	Rioch 3
6	2	1	0	8	3	1	1	1	2	2	8	BLACKPOOL	14,797	11,758	Dyson 3
6	2	0	1	5	2	2	0	1	3	2	8	LUTON TOWN	11,507	10,177	Aston 3, Anderson 2, Halom 2
6	2	1	1	3	2	1	1	0	2	1	8	NOTTINGHAM FOREST	13,175	10,230	McKenzie 2, O'Neil 2
6	2	0	0	4	2	1	2	1	4	4	8	SUNDERLAND	12,658	12,166	Lathan 4, Tueart 3
6	2	2	0	6	1	1	1	2	3	5	7	OXFORD UNITED	8,428	8,255	Clarke (D) 4, Cassidy 3, Skeen 3
6	2	1	0	4	1	1	0	2	3	7	7	HUDDERSFIELD TOWN	12,840	9,893	Gowling 3, Smith (D) 3
5	1	1	0	6	4	0	3	0	4	4	6	QUEENS PARK RANGERS	12,977	11,789	Givens 3, O'Rourke 3
7	2	2	0	5	3	0	0	3	3	8	6	SWINDON TOWN	15,304	12,729	Peplow 3, Rogers 2, Treacy 2
6	1	0	2	4	5	1	1	1	3	2	5	PORTSMOUTH	16,419	14,062	Lewis 3, Reynolds 3, Hiron 2
6	2	1	0	4	0	0	0	3	2	7	5	HULL CITY	11,189	9,319	Pearson 3, Knighton 2
6	1	1	1	2	2	1	0	2	3	4	5	PRESTON NORTH END	17,371	11,583	Wilson 2, Young 2
6	1	2	0	5	4	0	1	2	3	8	5	BRIGHTON & HOVE A.	16,839	16,120	Irvine 5, Murray 2
6	2	0	1	4	3	0	1	2	2	8	5	MIDDLESBROUGH	24,145	15,118	Mills 3, Smith 3
6	1	0	1	4	2	0	2	2	3	5	4	CARLISLE UNITED	7,747	7,686	Owen 3, Balderstone 2
6	0	1	1	3	4	1	1	2	4	5	4	BRISTOL CITY	15,648	14,010	Spiring 3, Galley 2, Gow 2
6	2	0	2	4	5	0	0	2	2	5	4	CARDIFF CITY	16,364	13,650	Bell 3, Clark 2, Showers 2
6	1	0	2	2	3	0	1	2	3	5	3	MILLWALL	13,207	11,817	Smethurst 2, Wood 2
5	0	1	1	2	4	1	0	2	3	6	3	FULHAM	10,285	8,962	Richardson 2, Went 2
6	1	1	2	3	4	0	0	2	0	3	3	ORIENT	7,249	5,838	Bowyer 2, Downing 2

Up to and including Sat 9th Sept.

*League games only

†League and Cup games

FIXTURES

FOOTBALL LEAGUE DIVISION TWO 72-73				MID-WEEK FOOTBALL LEAGUE FIXTURES—SEASON 1972-73					
Date	Opponents	Att	F A	Date	Opponent	F A	Date	Opponent	F A
Aug 12	Cardiff City	16,364	1 2	Aug 23	Gillingham	7 0	Dec 5	Northampton Town	
19	Preston North End	11,507	1 0	30	Brighton & Hove A	1 0	13	Colchester United	
26	Orient	6,494	1 0	Sept 6	Cambridge United	5 0	Jan 3	Millwall	
30	Oxford United	10,891	0 1	27	Cambridge United		10	Brighton & Hove	
Sept 2	Huddersfield Town	8,133	4 1	Oct 11	Millwall		17	Orient	
5	Birmingham City (L.C.2)	20,962	1 1	18	Watford		24	Southend United	
9	Nottingham Forest	9,495	1 0	25	Watford		31	Charlton Athletic	
13	Birmingham City (L.C.2 replay)			Nov 1	Gillingham		Feb 7	Watford L.C.	
16	Brighton & Hove Albion			8	Northampton T.		14	Watford L.C.	
20	Portsmouth			15	Southend United		28	Northampton L.C.	
23	Sheffield Wednesday			21	Charlton Athletic		Mar 6	Northampton L.C.	
26	Swindon Town			29	Colchester United		14	Orient	
30	Burnley								
Oct 4	League Cup—3								
7	Blackpool								
14	Sunderland								
21	Hull City								
28	Bristol City								
Nov 1	League Cup—4								
4	Swindon Town								
11	Portsmouth								
18	Aston Villa (F.A.C.1)								
22	League Cup—5								
25	Carlisle United								
Dec 2	Fulham								
6	League Cup—S.F.								
9	Q.P.R. (F.A.C.2)								
16	Millwall								
20	League Cup—S.F.								
23	Middlesbrough								
26	Sheffield Wednesday								
30	Preston North End								
Jan 6	Orient								
13	F.A. Cup—3								
20	Huddersfield Town								
27	Nottingham Forest								
Feb 3	F.A. Cup—4								
10	Brighton & Hove Albion								
17	Cardiff City (L.C. Final)								
24	Millwall (F.A. Cup—5)								
Mar 3	Blackpool								
10	Sunderland								
17	Hull City (F.A. Cup—6)								
24	Bristol City								
31	Carlisle United								
Apr 7	Fulham (F.A. Cup—S.F.)								
14	Queen's Park Rangers								
21	Aston Villa								
23	Middlesbrough								
24	Burnley								
28	Oxford United								
May 5	F.A. Cup—Final								

BACKTRACK

MATCH LUTON TOWN v HUDDERSFIELD TOWN
GROUND KENILWORTH ROAD, LUTON
DATE SATURDAY, 2nd SEPTEMBER, 1972
ATTENDANCE 8,133.
COMPETITION FOOTBALL LEAGUE—DIVISION TWO (Third Home Match)
TEAMS LUTON: Barber; John Ryan, Thomson; Slough, Faulkner, Garner; Jimmy Ryan, Fern, Busby, Halom, Aston. Substitute: Hindson.
 HUDDERSFIELD: Wood; Jones, Smith D (sub: McGifford); Pugh, Dolan, Nicholson; Fairclough, Lawson, Gowling, Smith S, Chapman.
SCORERS LUTON: Halom (2 mins and 31 mins), Jimmy Ryan (56 mins), Aston (pen. 75 mins).
 HUDDERSFIELD: Gowling (49 mins).
RESULT LUTON TOWN 4, HUDDERSFIELD TOWN 1
PAPER TALK Roger Duckworth, *Evening Post*: 'It was the best match I have seen for ages. Had it been televised, we would have seen clips of excitement each week until the end of the season. Luton did to Huddersfield what they had threatened to do to Cardiff, Preston, Orient and Oxford. This time they did more than shape up—they hit out. They showed their teeth.'
Sunday People: 'Luton gave great backing to the propaganda spread by their new manager, Harry Haslam, that this is to be a season of attractive football. Until yesterday, goals had been in short supply, but Luton did much to re-adjust the balance.'
Daily Mirror: 'Nobody would have blamed Luton striker Vic Halom if he thought Christmas had arrived. Twice in the first half, the kindest bounce of the ball presented him with goals he badly needed to boost his confidence. Luton's supremacy was never threatened.'

NEXT MATCH AT KENILWORTH ROAD . . .
FOOTBALL LEAGUE—DIVISION TWO
SATURDAY, 16th SEPTEMBER, 1972
LUTON TOWN v BRIGHTON AND HOVE ALBION
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FOOTBALL LEAGUE CUP FACTS AND FIGURES

The competition's leading scorers over the 12 seasons are:

1960-61	Gerry Hitchens (Villa)	11
1961-62	Ray Charnley (Blackpool)	6
1962-63	Ken Leek (Birmingham)	8
1963-64	John Ritchie (Stoke)	10
1964-65	Tony Hateley (Villa)	10
1965-66	Tony Brown (W. B. Albion)	11
	Geoff Hurst (West Ham)	11
1966-67	Rodney Marsh (Q.P.R.)	11

1967-68	John O'Hare (Derby)	6	1964-65	Workington 9, Barrow 1
	Jim Fryatt (Stockport)	6		Coventry 1, Leicester 8
1968-69	Don Rogers (Swindon)	7	1966-67	Northampton 8, Brighton 0
1969-70	Jeff Astle (W. B. Albion)	5		No club has won the trophy more than once, but three of the 12 winners came from outside the First Division. The winners are: Stoke, Tottenham, Manchester City, Swindon, (Div 3) Leeds, Q.P.R. (Div 3), W. B. Albion, Chelsea, Leicester, Birmingham, Norwich (Div 2), Aston Villa.
	Colin Bell (Man. City)	5		Finalists: Aston Villa and W. B. Albion (three times), Arsenal, Leicester, Chelsea, Stoke (twice), Birmingham, Leeds, Norwich, Manchester City, Q.P.R., Rochdale, Rotherham, Swindon, Tottenham and West Ham (once).
	John Byrom (Bolton)	5		
	Rodney Marsh (Q.P.R.)	5		
1970-71	Martin Chivers (Spurs)	7		
1971-72	Martin Chivers (Spurs)	7		
	Record League Cup scorers:			
	1960-61 Doncaster 0, Chelsea 7			
	1962-63 Orient 9, Chester 2			

TOWN IN ACTION

Goalkeeper Keith Barber was one of Town's stars in forcing a replay with Birmingham City. This picture shows Keith bravely falling on to the ball after making a thrilling save from a free kick by Bobby Hope



Another brave effort by Barber—he flings himself forward to block a dangerous shot from Alan Campbell



Although Bob Latchford eventually snatched Blues' equaliser, he was well held in the first half. Here, he is checked by Vic Halom and John Faulkner

MEMORY MAN

The competition from Terry Kelly for the Luton Town number five spot during the Fifties was one of the reasons for club skipper Sid Owen's dominance in the position. Nothing short of a real captain's performance was ever sufficient to throw off the challenge which 'T.K.' kept up for over ten years at Kenilworth Road.

A local product of the works side at Vauxhall, where he is now employed, Terry Kelly fought a sporting but losing battle for the pivot spot for the best part of ten years in the shadow of Sid Owen.

'It was only when Sid eventually left around 1960 that I was able to command a role I always considered my best,' he recalls. 'When manager Dally Duncan signed me in 1950, I kicked-off at centre-forward—and I surprised myself a little by scoring on my debut against Bristol Rovers in Luton's promotion side.

'But I think I got one of those 'one-off' jobs because they were short up front and, in an emergency, I suited their requirements. But generally I enjoyed my soccer in Luton's First Division defence either at wing-half or deputising for Sid when he was injured.'

Had the methods, planning and policies of those days been similar to the tactics employed today, Kelly would possibly have been keeping his skipper regular company in a dual-centre-half role.

National Service in the R.A.F., from 1950 to 1952, meant that Terry Kelly had lost valuable time in conditioning himself to the demands of a League club. But he regrets not one bit of the time he spent at Kenilworth Road and can still recall the gripping encounters with players who, though long gone, are still household names.

There is a special spot for the 'Busby Babes'. 'Though I had still not tied down a regular place coincidence seemed to bring me into the senior side every time we played at Old Trafford or when United came to us. I must have played three or four times at Manchester against Tommy Taylor, Duncan Edwards and



TERRY KELLY

Roger Bryne, etc. They were every bit as good as people said.'

One of the biggest moments of Terry's 13 years with Luton was a few thousand miles away from Kenilworth Road when Dally Duncan's squad went on a prestige tour of the Eastern European countries. They reckoned there was about 120,000 at each game in the Stadium at Bucharest in Rumania—and there was nothing involved apart from the result.

'But our earlier games in Bulgaria and Czechoslovakia on the same tour gave us the idea that we were creating more than a ripple of interest, for Luton Town were one of the first English clubs to go so far East at that time after the war.'

Terry finished up with about 150 senior games to his credit before he left in 1963. 'In my days, I think the players were more strictly controlled by the clubs and it was only when the maximum wage was abolished in 1960 that you could guarantee you would stay with a club longer than 12 months.

'Length of contracts have crept up and up since I finished. But all I ever knew was an annual renewal and when I did not get that in 1963, I moved to Cambridge, which suited me because I wanted to stay local.'

After two seasons in the Southern League, Terry went on to assist Dunstable for another three seasons before he finally hung up his boots after 18 years service. 'It was thoroughly enjoyable while it lasted—but I wished Luton's supporters had not been so fickle.

'It is probably something which will never alter because time and travel to bigger clubs has since shortened. The only answer is for Luton to hit the big-time and I hope they do. When we were in the First Division with general attendance figures higher than they are today, we were lucky to get 15,000 unless we played a real top number, like Arsenal or Manchester United.

Occasionally Terry turns out for an ex-Luton Town side and turns the clock back with Bob Morton and Company. 'We play about four games a year for charity when we scratch a side together as best we can. I wish we could get it organised better and play more often around the local villages.'

So if any soccer enthusiast has the time and the administration know-how to further the reputation of the Luton Old-timers, let the world know and we can all sit back and enjoy a few more memories of the past.

SCORES

Football League Cup replays

Blackpool v Bournemouth	A	
Chester v Southampton	B	

European Cup

Derby County v Zeljeznicar	D	
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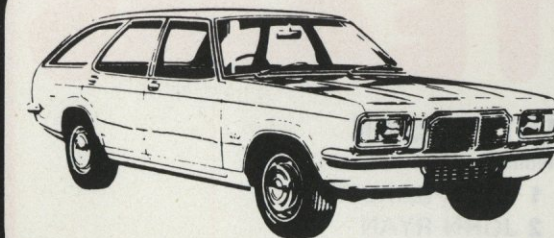
U.E.F.A. Cup

Manchester C v Valencia	E	
Stoke City v Kaiserlautern	F	
Tottenham H v Lyn Oslo	G	



LEAGUE CUP

The winners of tonight's replay will be at home to Coventry City in the third round of the Football League Cup on either 3rd or 4th October. The full draw is: Arsenal v Rotherham; BIRMINGHAM CITY or LUTON TOWN v COVENTRY CITY; Bristol Rovers v Oxford United or Manchester United; Bury v Manchester City; Stockport v West Ham United; Millwall v Chesterfield; Hull City v Norwich City; Middlesbrough v Tottenham Hotspur; Ipswich Town v Stoke City; Aston Villa v Leeds United; Newcastle United v Bournemouth or Blackpool; Southampton or Chester v Notts County; Derby County v Chelsea; Wolverhampton Wanderers v Sheffield Wednesday; West Bromwich Albion v Carlisle United or Liverpool; Sheffield United v Charlton Athletic.



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