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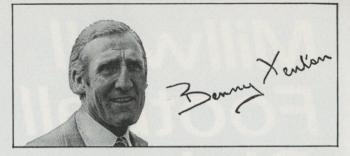
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#### In Memoriam

Early this month James Frederick Whitby passed away peacefully in Guys Hospital at the age of 77. You may well ask — Who was Jim Whitby? Jim was one of a growing number of old time supporters now unfortunately dwindling as Father Time takes his toll. Many of us, of course, know his nephew Tom, who emigrated to Australia a few years ago, and who has been in touch with us from down under on many an occasion. Jim Whitby was one of a large Bermondsey family, the men folk of which spent a life-time of service in the old South Metropolitan Gas Company. In 1950 Jim with his son, Roy, Miss Jean Barrett (now Roy's wife), Sidney Orford and Charles Smith (Bath Superintendent) formed the Bermondsey Swimming Club. Jim was its President for a number of years. He was well known to hundreds of Bermondsey children for his running of the Club weekly handicap competition year after year. As a young man he had been very active in sport and recalled watching Millwall from 1906 onwards. In the 50's, 60's and 70's he was an avid supporter being a season ticket holder. One of the highlights of Jim's life was the visit he received from our Club Captain, Harry Cripps, the first Millwall player he had actually met in person. Jim was a quiet and reserved man and extremely well liked by a large circle of friends. His funeral took place on Friday 16th February and we express our sincere sympathies to the many surviving members of his family, especially Tom in Australia.



Our trip to Hull in our last League match was gratifying from all angles. In thirteen previous trips to Boothferry Park we had failed to bring back the full spoils, but such is the tremendous enthusiasm and spirit in the side now that there had to be a first time for us, and as it turned out we contained them first half and slotted in the two goals that mattered in the second. Following the tonic trip to Torquay which preceded our match in the Cup against Everton, the Lads plumped for another few days at the Devon resort and we hope that this paid off for the vital game at Wolverhampton last Saturday. If you are reading my notes this evening it means one of two things - either we are playing Wolves in a replay of last Saturday's Cup Tie or we are playing Luton Town in a League Match. In either case we are looking for a good result, and your enthusiasm and support for the Lads will play a welcome part. Like the vast majority of Managers today I am very much concerned with the 'creeping paralysis' of the penalty points system. Up and down the country clubs are living on a knife's edge as the points draw closer to the danger level of 12. It's a problem which is paralleled only by that of injuries. A player hovering on the 10 points mark is like having someone with a bad bruise it only needs a caution or a bang to put the player out of the game for a couple of games, and we have now reached a stage of the season when we can ill afford to lose the services of key players. Speaking of injuries we are fortunate in this respect at the moment. Of our staff only Robin Wainwright is out of action. He is waiting for an operation on his

BENNY FENTON



During last season when things were going so well for the Lions and we all had visions of reaching "Valhalla" (First Division), our performances were attracting the attention and admiration of football fanatics in that Land of the Nordic Gods, Sweden. In Stockholm a Mr. Rolf Nordstrom feverishly read every scrap of information he could concerning Millwall. He was fortunate in being able to watch on T.V. his favourite English

Club. Rolf was 'hooked' on Millwall, so much so that when his holiday time came around he had to visit The Den. The season had finished by the time he was able to walk down Cold Blow Lane, but he was undoubtedly thrilled to be able to visit in person the scene which until then only his own imagination and T.V. highlights had pictured for him. Rolf is visiting us again, but this time he will really and truly be part and parcel of the scene and atmosphere, for he will be here on Easter Monday when we play Aston Villa. We shall welcome Mr. Nordstrom from Sweden. He is just one of the many fans all over the world who follow the fortunes of Millwall. We receive letters from all corners of the globe, and they are from people in all walks of life, who share our concern at the downward trend in support in this country, the cradle of soccer. They are probably unaware of the various factors which has brought this about, but we sometimes envy their unadulterated enthusiasm and wish it could 'rub off' on the folk nearer home. It may return one day; some of it has re-emerged recently with the Club's success in the F.A. Cup, but we are realistic enough to appreciate that this new found enthusiasm will dwindle if, and when, we make our exit from the Cup. We hope not. We hope that we will have regained some old friends and a substantial number of new ones to restore some respectability to our attendance figures this season. Our following at Wolverhampton last Saturday was most inspiring. It's some years now since such a large contingent of Lions fans travelled to an away game. We could do with that kind of support at some of our away League matches. If we could be sure of that kind of support more or less regularly we could think in terms of hiring the new 'Leagueliner' train, enabling supporters to travel in comfort and enjoy entertainment on the way. If we can get some response to this then we will certainly go into the possibility of hiring the train.

# REVIEW

The Government inspired economic 'ice age' introduced to curb inflation needs to be thawed out a little, if football clubs are to avoid further inroads into their financial stability. We don't wish to appear in the role of a dismal desmond, but we do have to be realistic. The freezing of prices, as well as wages, could well mean a ban on the increase of admission charges next season, in spite of the fact that in April this year another body blow to football economics has been dealt by the introduction of V.A.T. which entails a 10% tax on gross income. As the bulk of a football club's income is via the turnstiles, a tax of this proportion can have a crippling effect, unless it can be offset by a corresponding increase in admission charges. An instant review of the situation leaves us with the reflection that at the present time there is not much we can do about it. Those of us with our finger on the pulse are conscious of the fact that not a small section of the supporting public already think they are paying enough for their weekly, sometimes bi-weekly ration of football enter-

# Financial stability

tainment; so economically the outlook seems decidedly bleak. It is the sort of adverse situation which should inspire someone to make a bold stand. To give the Football authorities their due, no effort has been spared to break through at a high level in an endeavour to persuade the powers that be to relent and allow Sport in this country to be free of this 'iniquitous' tax. V.A.T. is one of the aspects of European economics which we have assimilated since becoming a member of the European Community, and this seems logical, but what is not logical is that in Europe, Sport is not subject to V.A.T., so why should it be so in this country? Is this another example of the type of beaurocratic reasoning which characterises the people in Whitehall? Perhaps we should not be unduly surprised. Perhaps some bright spark of a civil servant has cast envious eyes on the business of sports

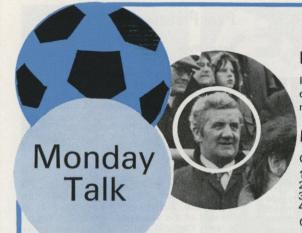
entertainment. If so, then someone should put him wise and tell him that sport, football in particular, is no longer a lucrative business, even if it ever was. In fact by burdening Football Clubs with V.A.T., is tantamount to putting them out of business altogether. Professional Fooball needs a boost not a kick in the pants. V.A.T. may well provide the kick which will sink the industry. Then where will the tax come from? Time for an overall inquiry into the whole state of the entertainment industry in this country, and football in particular.

Cover Shot: It's a familiar sight Harry Cripps aiming for goal. Alf Wood appears to be putting on his own brand of entertainment.

# TALK ON TWO

Division News and Views indications that the promotion race is rapidly developing into a two club effort. Burnley have a firm grip on the leadership and the dream of returning to First Division status looks more and more a reality to the Turf Moor outfit as the weeks tick by. Queen's Park Rangers too now five points clear in second place look almost certain to accompany them. Hopefully chasing the two favourites are five other clubs with an outside chance of making one of the coveted positions. It is at this period of the season when a Club vieing for a place in the top two needs to be consistent for it only needs a couple of slips by the leaders to enable the points gap to be bridged. Aston Villa and Fulham in that order are the most likely to creep up on the second position occupied by Rangers. Of the two, we fancy Fulham providing they can pick up more points away from home. Villa have played more games at home than they have away at the moment, three more in fact, and they need to do well in those away games to maintain a challenge. Oxford United, Blackpool and Luton Town have an outside interest. They would be the last to say the race is all over bar the shouting. At the other end of the scale, Brighton look certs for relegation, but who accompanies them is anybody's guess, and it's a sort of situation which will hang on for a good many weeks yet. One expects the Easter programme to settle both issues, promotion and relegation. Of continuous concern, of course, is the low level of attendance in Two. Queen's Park Rangers almost on the verge of promotion could only draw in a 13,472 crowd at their last home game.

With three quarters of the season gone there are clear



#### Look it's me

It is, then hurry along to the General Office, a complimentary ground ticket is yours for our next home League game.

#### **Beat the Clock**

Goal times for the match v OXFORD

1st Goal 18 mins. 42 secs. 2nd Goal 25 mins. 36 secs. 3rd Goal 66 mins. 55 secs. 4th Goal 89 mins. 30 secs.

Claimants for Beat The Clock must have the exact time on their ticket.

#### Den Development

RESULTS OF COMPETITION WEEK 27 10/2/73

POOL 1. 4 Home Teams Highest Combined Score £100 18 Goals highest unsold. Paid on 17. 2 at £50 15-31-37-48 (362) 15-37-39-48 (102)

POOL 2. 4 Home Teams Highest Score Against £60 16 Goals highest unsold. Paid on 15. 1 at £60 05-06-17-29 (157)

POOL 3. 4 Lowest Scores including Opponents
Nil Goals lowest unsold. Paid on 1. 7 at £2.14
01-09-13-30 (550)
01-02-13-30 (232)
01-04-07-30 (241)
01-04-09-30 (244)
01-04-07-13 (4)
01-04-28-30 (111)

POOL 4. 4 Matches each resulting in a 2-2 Draw Snowball not won. Next week £126

£100 MAXIMUM PER PERSON

#### **Lions Shop**

There are Two Lions Shops on the ground. One facing the Main Gates at Cold Blow Lane and the other at the rear of the Main Stand. Call there for all your souvenirs and for the following articles:

Millwall Kit-Bags £1·50; Cuff-Links £1·00; Silk-Scarves (three colours) 50p; Plastic Caps 25p; Adhesive Badges 20p; Football Key Rings 20p; Football Every Rings 20p; Football Boot Key Rings 20p; Millwall Key Ring 25p; Millwall Football Boot Car Hanger 25p; Continental Car Hanger 30p; Long Car Sticker (Follow me and Millwall) 12p; Emblem Car Sticker 12p; Millwall Tie Clip 55p; Metal Card Badge 75p; Pennants (Small) 25p; Pennants (Large) 55p; Millwall Handbag Mirror 20p; Blazer Badges 25p; Scrap Books 20p; Rosettes 18p.



On Wednesday next 28th February our Reserves play Orient at Brisbane Road, kick off 2 p.m. Next Friday evening 2nd March we are home to MIDDLESBROUGH in the Football League, kick off 7-30 p.m. Stand and Forecourt Tickets for this match are now obtainable before and after this evening's match at the Ticket Office in Cold Blow Lane, prices: Stand 80p, Forecourt 60p. Incidentally the match referred to above against Orient is a Mid Week League Cup match. On Saturday 10th March we again visit Orient in a Football League match, kick off 3 p.m. Should we receive sufficient enquiries for Stand Tickets for the match against Orient on 10th March we shall endeavour to have some here for sale on Friday next 2nd March. In any event we shall endeavour to satisfy your enquiries. Every effort is made on our part to excite your interest in the economic side of our affairs. It need

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hardly be said that with a lower average attendance this season we do need your support not only through the turnstiles but also for the other money raising schemes such as the 'BEAT THE CLOCK' competition on match days and the 'WEEKLY FOOTBALL LOTTERY' organised by The Den Development Association. You must by now have realised that we are not easily discouraged. For as long as we can remember we have been flogging these two items, and no doubt the more flippant and facetious among you think of it as one huge joke. But believe us it is no joke! We are incurably envious of the good fortune of many Clubs who no matter what their status continue to augment their frail fortunes by means of their Lotteries and other money making efforts. It is an unfortunate fact that Millwall have never been able to match anything like the same kind of support. Why? To be quite honest, we don't know. Do you? We are, of course, indebted to the faithful few. Those handful of people who never fail to buy a

Beat The Clock' Ticket when they come through the turnstiles. Those Agents and Organisations who take their regular supply of weekly tickets in the Football Lottery. Where are the others? We have appealed often enough. Now and then we have gained some response, but it is like a drop in the ocean. As we have said so many times if every person who pays to come through the turnstiles was to buy just one ticket in the Weekly Football Lottery then this appeal would be unnecessary. As it is we make no excuses for asking you once again to give it your earnest consideration, and if you want to help, then please call at the Pools Office in Cold Blow Lane. Thank you!

# Luton town

Luton Town, this season's Second Division Away specialists, visit us this evening seeking to gain amends for the point they relinquished to the Lions at Kenilworth Road just before Christmas. The Lions, of course, will be equally determined to continue with the success which has marked their upward surge during the last few weeks. We welcome the 'Hatters' for the twentieth time in League Football since both our clubs became Members of Division Three in 1920. For a brief period earlier in their history Luton were members of the Football League being elected to Division Two in 1897, but three years later they were voted out of the League and returned to the Southern League. The Bedfordshire Club was founded the same year as Millwall, viz 1885, and were the first Club in Southern England to use professional players. Their first major success was in 1936/ 37 when they won the Championship of Division Three (South) and returned to Division Two from which fate and the vote had excluded them in 1900. Its surprising how long a Club can languish in comparative obscurity and then suddenly burst upon the scene. First Division football came to Kenilworth Road for the very first time in 1954/55 when they finished runners up to Birmingham City in Division Two, and to prove that this was no flash in the pan the following year they lined up at Wembley in the F.A. Cup Final, only to lose to Nottingham Forest 2-1. Unfortunately, like a lot of Clubs when they reach the pinnacle of success. Luton's fortunes declined after their Wembley defeat. The 'Hatters' decline was more rapid than most, for in the short space of four seasons they dropped from the top to the bottom in football League circles. They finished bottom of Division One in 1959/60, bottom of Division Two in 1962/63 and relegated to Division Four in 1964/65. Hit by such a turn of fortune many another club might have wilted altogether. Not so Luton. They did not waste much time languishing in the obscurity of the Fourth Division. They won the Championship of that division in 1967/68 and as runner up to Orient in Division Three (1969/70) bounced back to Division Two. In 1970/71 Luton led the race for promotion for the best part of the seasor.. They lost ground in the latter part of the campaign and eventually had to be satisfied with sixth position. The Lions could well claim to have been partly responsible for Luton's lapse taking three points from the two games. Nearly every Club has some remarkable feat to look back on, or an individual record and in this respect Luton and football remember the exploit of their player Joe Payne who on the 13th April 1936 scored TEN GOALS in Luton's defeat of Bristol Rovers (12-0). Joe's tally of goals in season 1936/37 was 55. a Third Division (South) record. Harry Haslam who is closely coming up to a year in Management at Kenilworth Road must be reasonably happy with the way things have worked out. A little more success at home would no doubt have been very welcome, but then perhaps things might not have run so well away from home. Much as we'd like it, you can't have everything.

#### **Pen Pictures**

John Ryan

Right-Back

Although he had played games in their League team, Fulham released this capable defender two seasons ago and, since joining Luton, has improved out of recognition and is now in the big money class. Kent born, he had a spell with Arsenal before going to Craven Cottage.

#### Don Shanks

Left-Back

Like Ryan, he found his way to Luton via Fulham with whom he had been an apprentice, but they did not sign him at the end of the prescribed period. Went on to earn England Youth honours and other Clubs have already been taking notice of his progress.

#### Alan Garner

Centre-Half

His big chance came when Chris Nicholl was sold to Aston Villa last March and he went on to play confidently and earn himself a regular place. Was previously with Millwall who gave him few opportunities. Strong and assertive.

#### John Moore

Half-Back

Luton's longest serving player, he has been with them nearly eight years, having had previous service with Motherwell. A dour Scot, he has been a regular member of the back four and struck up an uncanny understanding with Nicholl.

#### John Aston

Forward

Several other Clubs were disappointed when Aston moved to Luton for a fee of £30,000, which begins to look like a bargain figure. Now only 25, Aston has a load of First Division experience gained with Manchester United with whom he was a member of the First Team squad for some seasons.

#### Jimmy Ryan

Forward

Another who took the now well-beaten track from Old Trafford to Kenilworth Road and he was valued at around £20,000 at the time. A Scot, he had a most unlucky last season through injuries and illness, but has been showing his best form this time.

#### **Bobby Thomson**

Left-Back

Not so many years ago, Thomson was regarded as the best left-back in the country and has a handful of England caps to prove it. Was then with Wolves from whom he moved to Birmingham City for a big fee. Somehow or another, he never really settled with Birmingham, who loaned him to Walsall during last season and then gave him a free transfer.







## Alan Slough

Half-Back

has been regarded primarily as a member of back four, but it has now been decided to use his undoubted talent and driving power in midfield. A local, he joined Luton straight from winger and has a considerable school.

## **Gordon Hindson**

Forward

During the last two seasons, he Although this youngster had only limited experience at the time, Luton paid Newcastle United £25,000 for him, and are expecting big things from him this season. Was used mostly as a turn of speed.

## **Viv Busby**

Forward

Wycombe Recruited from Wanderers and spent two months on loan to Newcastle United during last season. In the end, Newcastle decided not to meet the £50,000 fee Luton were asking and he was allowed to return.

#### **LUTON TOWN FC 1972-73**

Back Row: (left to right) Terry Robinson, Derick Hales, Les Harfield, Gordon Hindson, Bob Hatch, Vic Halom, Bobby Thomson, John Faulkner, Paul Price, Peter Anderson, Jimmy Ryan, Gerry Jones, Nicky Sparks. Middle Row: Tony Castiello, Alan Garner, Robin Wainwright (now with Millwall), Ken Goodeve, Keith Barber, Willie Carrick, Tony Read, John Moore, Alan Slough, Steve Litt, Mick Gilchrist. Front Row: Ray McCrohan (Coach), John Ryan, John Aston, Harry Haslam (Manager, Rodney Fern, Viv Busby, Ken Whitfield (Asst. Coach).



# Des



# O'Connor

Have you noticed how football has changed over the years? And I don't mean the playing side! As the long, baggy shorts and button-up shirts of yesterday have given way to the ultra-modern brightly coloured Continental strips of today, the football jargon on and off the pitch has also been up-dated to modern requirements.

There's a new soccer language talked these days. In olden days - it's not that long ago - teams would line-up out on the park in the eternal 'M' - 'W' formation, or 2-3-5. Not any more! Today, players, spectators, reporters and the like all talk about the 4-2-4 set up, the 4-3-3 formation, or the 4-4-2 system. And if you care to look a little deeper, you'll find that no matter what line-up is used, the players are still basically carrying out the same functions. What comes next? I really don't know, yet some enterprising young manager of the future, will astound us all by announcing a brand new 2-3-5 system, claiming it to be revolutionary . . . and we'll all be back

To accompany the new formations, new positions on the park have been created to fall in line with the modern approach . . . or have they? Really only the names have been changed: defence has always been defence, though today 'back-four', sounds slightly more sophisticated; we've always had a centre-half whether he's called simply No. 5 or 'centre-back'; the scheming generals have now become midfield grafters; and the attacker has given way to the 'striker'. I suppose the only new innovation has been the introduction of the 'sweeper' to cover the centre-back as the last line of defence before the goalkeeper, and that we learnt from the Continental sides. I'm just waiting for someone to hit upon a new term for the goalkeeper . . .it

There is also a new on-the park language spoken all of its own, which must be heard to be believed . . . but I'll discuss that at a later date.



# **Monday Crowd**

Much of the excitement which circulates around the ground on match days is in no small measure due to the pre-match build up by the Press and in this respect our journalists have few rivals. Long before the crowds form outside the turnstiles the imagination and minds of the Men, Women and Children fingering the coins in their pockets or purses have been coloured by the stories they have read. These are all calculated to produce the right mixture of speculation and anticipation which makes what follows either more enjoyable or less enchanting, according to which way it goes. No matter what the outcome the prelude to all big games be it pictorial or oral is indispensable to capture the interest of the public. Unconsciously the Saturday or match day crowd know this and even though they may not be able specifically to point to any one newspaper article, somewhere something they have read or seen has set off a chain reaction in their minds and put them in the spirit for the match they are about to see. It is indeed true to say that there is no such thing as bad publicity. If someone is talking or writing about you then at least you are being mentioned, your name is in the Public's mind. The match day crowd need to be constantly reminded of its Club's existence. One would be amazed sometimes of the apparent ignorance of what is happening displayed by some of the Public. Like the phone call we received one day last week asking us who we were playing on the following Saturday. To our mind there is no excuse for this, for even if no mention of the Club is made in a newspaper report, at some time or other fixtures are printed. One can only assume that some people don't buy newspapers.

# SPOT KICKS

"Our attitudes and actions must change," headlines in League Football. It's like trying to change human nature you never will.

"My responsibility is to the public and to no one else". Comment in an article by a leading Sports columnist. Someone should educate him in what responsibility means. Such pithy sentiments need substantial backing.

Friday night soccer is no longer a substitute for Saturday afternoon viewing. Statistics prove this.



# LIONESS

by Paulyne McGrath

Hello Ladies,

"A Pride of Lions", and it is a very fierce pride we are able to feel at the moment for our very own Lions. Victory in the past weeks over Everton, Oxford and Hull have given us every reason to rejoice. The 3-1 win over Oxford was made even sweeter when you look back and remember how unlucky we were to lose to them on their ground earlier in the season. Once again the way was paved by a great goal from Harry Cripps and he shared his celebration with every supporter at The Den as he practically did a lap of honour. It seems that Harry has as much admiration for his supporters as they have for him. Alf Wood followed with another of his sensational goals which over the season have earned him the admiration of all Millwall Supporters and the seal was set with a stunning penalty from Gordon Bolland.

The defeat of Oxford was followed the next week by the 2-0 defeat of Hull, the first time that Millwall have beaten them at Boothferry Park. Steve Brown scored a rare goal and he had a good game although he was booked, which I could not understand as he appeared to be the aggressed and not the agressor. Alan Dorney had a marvellous game as did Barry Kitchener, the second goal was smashed into the net by Gordon Bolland and although Harry Cripps did not score his presence was definitely felt by the Hull team.

So when you consider that Millwall have scored seven goals in their last three matches when all the odds have seemed to be against them you will realise that we have every reason to be proud of our "Pride of Lions".





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MILLWALL v OXFORD, 10 FEBRUARY 1973

The determined look on the face of Alf Wood quickly turned to joy, for moments after this photograph was taken the ball had landed in the Oxford net to put the Lions two up.

Photo: Brian Cassey

# Focus on the Lions

# **Robin Wainwright**

Today the limelight falls on Robin Wainwright, a young man who only a few months ago seemed destined to continue a career which began at the age of 14 with Luton Town. Manager, Benny Fenton, ever mindful of the need to have youthful prospects on the staff stepped in with a worthwhile offer and Robin moved from Luton to Millwall. Unfortunately he has had little opportunity to prove his worth with the Lions for after only five outings with the Reserves an injury has put a stop to what was promising to be a quick rise to a regular berth in the League side. This injury needs an operation, so we will have to wait a little while before we see Robin in action again. Meanwhile what about this young Luton born hopeful. For Robin it was no sensational start. Just the steady progress from schoolboy to apprentice and then on to full time professional. He first came under the notice of the Luton Town scouts when he played for Luton Technical College Seniors, and at the age of 14 signed Schoolboy forms for the Bedfordshire club. From Schoolboy to apprentice after he had reached the age of sixteen, and exactly one year later he became a full professional. He got his first chance in Luton's League side at the age of 20. There is nothing remarkable about that, of course, but it is in keeping with the type of schedule found in most Clubs. Robin had been well groomed by someone well known to Lions Supporters, Jimmy Andrews, who has since moved from Luton to Spurs. Robin learned a lot of his ability with Limbury Boys Club, a Youth side which produced players like Neil Rioch at Aston Villa and Derek Edmunds who had a spell at Leeds before joining Watford. Robin is one of those likeable chaps, who seems to enjoy life and his football. Whilst waiting for his breakthrough to the 'Big Time' he enjoyed some annual trips abroad. He spent three successive Whitsuns in Holland with the Luton Youth side. Robin is essentially a mid field player with sufficient ball control to weave himself into attacking positions. His début was made in the attacking role, which is unfortunate because the few glimpses we have had convince us that here is a player who prefers to hold the ball and use it constructively. This is best done from a mid field position, and although with his present injury we don't expect to get the full value of Robin's ability during the rest of this season, we have every confidence that come next term we shall be hearing a lot about Robin Wainwright, who football apart, has a large collection of L.P.s (Long Playing Records for the uninitiated).



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MILLWALL v OXFORD, 10 FEBRUARY 1973

Higher, Higher, seems to be the thoughts of Steve Brown and Barry Kitchener as they watch Gordon Bolland rise for this ball. Gordon did connect but unfortunately failed to gain any advantage on this occasion. He later scored from a Penalty kick to put the Lions three up.

Photo: Robert Hope, South London Advertiser



#### **Future Fixtures**

On Friday next 2nd March we are home to Middlesbrough, kick off 7-30 p.m. This is the fixture originally scheduled to be played on Saturday 3rd March, but which was brought forward when the League Cup Final at Wembley was altered from 17th February to March 3rd. Stand and Forecourt Seats for next Friday's match may be purchased from the Ticket Office before and after this evening's game. Next Wednesday 7th March our Reserves are away to Orient in a Mid Week League match and the following Saturday 10th March we again make the trip to Brisbane Road, Leyton to meet Orient in a Football League match kick off 3 p.m. If we receive sufficient enquiries for tickets we shall contact Orient for a supply of Stand Tickets for this particular match.



#### Travel

The Supporters Club travel to all our away matches. The next trip will be to Orient for the match on 10th March. Coaches will leave Jerningham Road, New Cross at 12-30 p.m. You can make sure of a seat on the coaches by phoning 237 1087 (Mr. Hill) or call at the Supporters Club Kiosk at the Cold Blow Lane end of the ground before this evening's match.



### By Road

To Orient Approximate 9 miles from New Cross Compilled by the Royal Automobile Club Leave by New Cross Road and continue ahead via Deptford Broadway, Greenwich Road and Trafalgar Road to Blackwall Tunnel. Turn left and proceed through the tunnel to Brunswick Road and St. Leonard Street. Continue to the junction with High Street and Bow Road, turn right onto High Street and proceed ahead to the junction with Angel Lane and Broadway - Town Hall on the right. Bear left onto Angel Lane and continue via Levton Road and High Road to the junction with Grove Green Road. Turn left onto Ruckholt Road - Town Hall on the right - then take the second on the right -Oliver Road. Take the fourth on the right — Buckingham Road and the ground is on the left in Brisbane Road ......9 Miles There is parking space available near the ground but the police control street parking so watch for any signs, including diversions.



Your nearest RAC offices are at:

RAC, P.O. Box 100, RAC House,

Home Counties, 130 St. Albans

Lansdowne, Road, Croydon

CR9 2JA; or RAC Northern

Road, Watford, Herts.

# By Rail

The nearest Station to Orient's ground is Leyton (On the Underground Central Line). Travel on the District Line to Mile End Station and then change to the Central Line.



#### Match Ball

Match Ball Donors so far this season:

12th Aug 72 v Hull City — Mr. G. Haines of the New Tropicana Club.

26th Aug 72 v Portsmouth — Bob Potts, Mine Host of the Earl of Derby, Dennetts Road, New Cross.

9th Sept 72 v Sunderland — Captain J. A. Scott late of Millwall now living in the West Country.

23rd Sept 72 v Fulham — Mr. S. G. Page of "Greenbanks" 33 Main Road, Longfield, Kent.

25th Sept 72 v Nott'm Forest — Mr. J. S. Scott, Director of John Lenanton & Sons, Millwall, E.14.

3rd Oct 72 v Chesterfield — Miss Pat Edwards of Herne Hill.

14th Oct 72 v Orient — Mr. Geoff Knight, Shareholder of 20 Ember Close, Petts Wood, Orpington.

28th Oct 72 v Burnley — Mine Host of the Crown & Anchor, New Cross.

11th Nov 72 v Brighton — Season Ticket Holder, Vic Hobday.

25th Nov 72 v Huddersfield — Millwall Supporters Club.

9th Dec 72 v Swindon Town — Gary Irving, friend of the Players.

23rd Dec 72 v Carlisle — Mr. Brian White, Borough Valuer, Lewisham Borough Council.

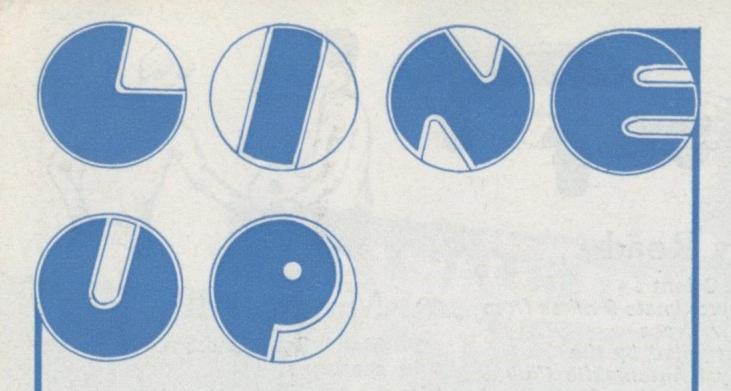
30th Dec 72 v Bristol City — John Monks, Club Magazine Designer.

13th Jan 73 v Newport C. — Mr. Cohn of the Consort Bingo Club, Peckham.

20th Jan 73 v Blackpool — Season Ticket Holder and friend of the Club, Mr. Cyril Berlin.

10th Feb 73 v Oxford U. — Stuart and Nicholas Eppel, son and nephew of Club Director L. C. Eppel.

Today's Donor — Ron Lorman, Shareholder. Many thanks Ron.



Luton our visitors this evening have been impressive in their travels this season, having won eight of their thirteen away games with one drawn and four lost. At home, their successes have been somewhat limited, winning four games with eight drawn and four lost.

# MILLWALL

# **LUTON TOWN**

SHORTS: WHITE

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Bryan KING

1 Graham HORN

**Brian BROWN** 

2 Don SHANKS

Harry CRIPPS

3 Bobby THOMPSON

Alan DORNEY

4 Alan SLOUGH

Barry KITCHENER

5 Alan GARNER

Dennis BURNETT

6 John MOORE

Steve BROWN

7 Jimmy RYAN

Gordon BOLLAND

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9 Barry BUTLIN

**Eamonn DUNPHY** 

10 Gordon HINDSON

Doug ALLDER

11 John ASTON

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The Match Ball for tonight's game has been generously donated by Ron Lorman, a Shareholder.

# Today's Officials Referee: R N Perkin

Stafford

Began refereeing in October 1953 with Stafford and District Youth League. 1954 Stafford and District Amateur League. 1960 Birmingham League as Linesman and Midland Intermediate League as Referee. Through Central League as Linesman and Referee and on to Football League Linesmans List. Promoted to Referees List 1971-72 season.

Married, with one daughter, he is a Press Shop Tool setter. Interested in motoring and car maintenance, dancing, do-it-yourself and is an enthusiastic Council member of Local Community Association.

Chairman of Stafford Reference.

Chairman of Stafford Referees Association.

# Linesmen:

D Hutchinson Cambridge Red I F Williams Neath Yellow

# Our next match at The Den

League Division Two

Friday, 2nd March

# **MIDDLESBROUGH**

Kick off 7 30 pm

Come along and Roar the Lions on.