

LUTON THROUGH TO MEET BURY

Grimsby...0

Luton...2

Luton eliminated Grimsby from the League Cup in their second round, second replay at Blundell Park last night before a crowd of 15,365 through first-half goals from Finney and Faulkner, and now meet Bury in the next round.

Luton were much the superior team, notably West, their recent signing from Burnley, but Grimsby's hard running and non-stop aggression gave their defence many uneasy moments.

Luton went ahead in the 17th minute when the skilful West sent Aston clear for Finney to head in his cross at the near post, and it was some time after that before Grimsby got back into the game.

When they did so, Hickman headed over, Hubbard shot wide, and Czuczman produced a powerful shot which Barber could only push out at the second attempt.

Wainman error

Unfortunately for Grimsby, Wainman was at fault in the 39th minute when Faulkner, formerly of Leeds, scored with a header from an Aston corner, and Luton were grateful for their two-goal lead as Grimsby stepped up an unrewarding bombardment for most of the second half.

Luton, however, defended well, notably Faulkner, Garner and Shanks and in the closing stages almost increased their lead when they twice broke out of defence to catch Grimsby off guard.

Grimsby. — Wainman; Beardsley, Booth, Chatterley, Wigginton, Gray, Barton, Hickman, Hubbard, Czuczman, Sharp (Lewis, 77min).

Luton. — Barber; Shanks, Thomson, Anderson, Faulkner, Garner, Ryan (Jim), West, Butlin, Finney, Aston.