

LIGHTS FAILURE HITS LUTON

Luton ... 1, Cardiff ... 0

Luton Town's first excursion into generated floodlit football almost rebounded on them in the game against Cardiff last night.

After playing for only 16 minutes, the generator failed — and referee Peter Reeves almost called a halt. But he gave maintenance men time to repair a broken temperature guage and, after a 40-minute break, the match was resumed.

Luton must have wondered whether their £500 outlay on the generator was worth it. The game attracted just over 7,000 spectators — the club's lowest attendance of the season.

But although Luton took two vital points to maintain their pressure on the Second Division leaders, Cardiff made them fight all the way.

Luton, however, were full value for their victory. Their winner came from Jimmy Ryan two minutes after half-time when he capitalised on Anderson's precision pass to put a fierce shot past goalkeeper Irwin.

Luton Town: Horn; Shanks, Thomson, Anderson, Faulkner, Garner, Jim Ryan, Husband, Butlin, West, Aston. **Substitute:** John Ryan.

Cardiff City: Irwin; Dwyer, Bell, Powell, Murray, Woodruff, Farrington, McCulloch, Reece, Carlin, Phillips. **Substitute:** Smith.