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HARRYS TOWN



I don't want to keep harping on about it, but crowd behaviour or the lack of it, is the big talking point in soccer at the moment. Violence has to be stamped out.

Because of trouble on our supporters' train after the match at Middlesbrough we were forced to cancel the train for last weekend's match at Leeds.

This is a pity and it upsets me a lot. Not only are the culprits punished, but also the loyal, decent fans who have followed us round the country with an exemplary behaviour record for five or six years.

The majority have been thumped because of the thuggery of a few. But it's not just the general behaviour that worries me, it's the possibility of a major rail disaster being caused by football fans pulling communication cords.

I am sure the guilty ones don't think of that. They just think it's a lot of fun to flout authority and make the train stop.

But trains are not like cars. They can't just stop willy-nilly without danger. One of these days there's going to be an express racing up behind, and there'll be a terrible tragedy and loss of life. The hooligans have to be sorted out. The hooligan in football is not necessary. He's not wanted. If only they'd stop to think. For years

we have had the best-behaved travelling supporters in the country. We've been proud of them. But this latest episode has made us stop and think. We have recruited more stewards and we hope to get back on the rails—excuse the pun—for the Leicester City match on 5th October.

I can tell you, everyone was very worried about it, and the idea of running special trains was almost scrapped for good. *British Rail* asked us to go ahead with them only if we thought we could handle it. So now there is to be more discipline.

Our train stewards will have full authority to put trouble-makers off at any given point. And they won't hesitate. I appeal to the decent fans to give the stewards all the help they can. If you see hooliganism and violence tell a steward. He will deal with it. I know we are only talking of a minority, but Luton Town want to keep the trains going. The team needs the 'away' support. Things have not gone all our way in the first few matches. We are learning every week. I just look forward to having a bit of luck to match the effort the lads are putting into their game.

I also hope the crowd keep rooting for us like they have been doing. I can't tell you how much it's appreciated. I'd love to see 25,000 gates instead of 18,000 ones, but if we can get into top gear I'm sure the floating fans will turn up. At least we know that the 18,000 that are coming are the real Luton fans.

Slowly but surely we are getting used to our different environment. As I say, we just need a little bit of luck.



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FACE TO FACE



Gerry Harrison of Anglia TV talks to Gordon Hindson



PERSONAL POINTS . . .

Full Name: Gordon Hindson
Birthplace: Flint Hill, County Durham
Date signed for Luton Town: 13th October, 1971 from Newcastle

Date of Birth: 8th January, 1950
Height: 5 ft 10½ ins
Weight: 11 st 4 lbs
Hobbies: All forms of sport

Gordon, you signed for Luton Town in October, 1971, from Newcastle United. How did your move come about?

Newcastle were my first club. I had taken some 'A' levels before joining them and had had a few games in the First Team. However, I refused a wage rise and so a move was on the cards. The Newcastle coach knew the scout from Luton who had been watching our games over a period of five or six weeks and told me whenever he was there, so when the offer came from Luton it was not really a surprise to me. Nor was it a disappointment leaving Newcastle. I was on the fringes there as a reserve-team player, but at Luton I am part of the first-team squad and better off for it.

This season you have been wearing the number seven shirt. What sort of role do you prefer to play?

Midfield attacking. If you asked most of the Luton players this question you would get the same answer. It is only since I have been at Luton that I have experienced this role. Originally, I was a winger and played in the first-team at Newcastle in this position, although I was required to drop back quite often.

You are well-known at Kenilworth Road for your tremendous shot. Why don't you use it more often?

That is a question I am often asked, and I am not really sure of the answer. I have always had a strong left foot and my right foot is fairly good, but my goal record is not that impressive. I am often the wide man coming through and if I am going to get a chance at goal it is usually from long range and the tendency is to look for someone else who is in a better position to score. Harry Haslam and Roy McCrohan encourage me to have a shot at goal more often, which I know I should do, but the emphasis here is more on team effort.

Luton obviously differs a great deal from Newcastle. How difficult was it for you to settle down in a new area?

The move was not too difficult at all really as I had always been prepared to leave Newcastle. That is part of the job. At the time I signed for Luton, in October, I was engaged, and got married in February the following year, which made settling in that much easier. My wife, Judy, is not that keen on football. She is interested in the Club and the people here, but we do not get involved in detailed discussions about tactics and such like at home. But she does watch our games—and she criticises. She thinks I should shoot more often, too!

You mentioned previously that you had taken some 'A' levels before going to Newcastle. What subjects did you take?

English and Scripture. With those two subjects people must think that I had ambitions to become a Priest! In fact, I had already been accepted at Carnegie Physical Education College when I went to Newcastle. I have tried to keep up with some studying since I have been a professional because in theory a footballer should be able to manage something with the spare time he gets. It is also a good contrast to the physical side of the job. At one point, a friend and I were interested in becoming bookmakers and completed a correspondence course. I am now thinking of studying something through the Open University.

Players always have their own personal likes and dislikes. What do you enjoy and dislike most about being a professional footballer?

The great thing for me is to be in a squad of players working during the week for something and then achieving it by winning. You never get tired of winning—it gives you tremendous satisfaction. The money is of secondary importance, although obviously it is nice to know that you are receiving it. For instance, if you score the winning goal against say, Liverpool, your reaction is 'fantastic'. It is only when you get your pay packet at the end of the week that you are glad in other ways that you won. The hardest thing to take is being left out—not being part of the team. That has happened to me for long spells. I don't mind having to compete for a place. I can always muster up plenty of drive in five-a-sides and practice games, but confidence is nine-tenths of the battle and sometimes it is hard to keep going when you have been on the side-lines for a long time. That is part of the game and has to be accepted.

Since entering football, what has given you the biggest thrill?

Beating Newcastle in the Fourth Round of the F.A. Cup. Not only because it was Newcastle but to win up there after the big build up and the Cup atmosphere and to win by outplaying them was marvellous. It was certainly no fluke, and it was really something to be a part of that game. I hope Luton will see many more times like that.

INTRODUCING BRISTOL ROVERS

Bristol Rovers are playing this Second Round Football League Cup-tie here at Kenilworth Road tonight thanks mainly to their big, strong striker, Alan Warboys.

His goal in the 86th minute of Rovers' replayed tie at Plymouth a fortnight ago was enough to bring victory to his side, thus making this evening's game their 44th in the League Cup and number 41 for Luton Town.

In fact, Bristol Rovers' record in this tournament, which began in 1960, is not at all bad. It reads:

Played	Won	Drawn	Lost	For	Against
43	19	10	14	67	61

Their initial tie was in the opening round of the 1960-61 competition, against Fulham, at home, on 26th September.

They won it 2-1 despite an early score from Maurice Cook, the Fulham inside-forward, who created a personal record for himself because his goal was the very first in the newly formed League Cup competition.

There followed an exciting 5-3 win at Reading in the next round but then Rotherham United put paid to Rovers' hopes of further glory when they won 2-0 at Millmoor.

In 1961-62 Blackburn Rovers sent Rovers reeling in Round Two after Hartlepool had been beaten 2-1 at Eastville.

Exit in 1962-63 came in Round Four at Bury (1-3) following successes over Port Vale and Cardiff City, each by 2-0.

In 1963-64 Rovers gained their best win in the League Cup to date when they beat Shrewsbury Town, 6-2 at home, in a First Round Replay. Ian Hamilton hit four goals that day and Alfie Biggs two.

Crystal Palace went out 2-0 in Round Two, but Gillingham, after a 1-1 draw, knocked Rovers out by 3-1 at Priestfield in the next round.

A home defeat (0-2) by Chesterfield stopped Rovers' 1964-65 League Cup romp and 12 months later, they got the K.O. from the eventual runners-up for that season, West Ham United, by 3-2, after a 3-3 draw at Eastville.

Perhaps Bristol Rovers' best run in the League Cup came in 1970-71.

Taking into account the teams they met and beat, they reached the Fifth Round only to lose to Aston Villa the beaten Finalists that term, 1-0 in a replay at Villa Park before 36,483 spectators—the biggest League Cup crowd Rovers have played in front of.

A neat 1-0 home win over Brighton started them off in 1970.

That was swiftly followed by a courageous 2-1 home win over First Division opponents Newcastle, with Jones hitting both goals.

A 1-1 draw at Norwich earned Rovers a replay in Round Three, when they won convincingly by 3-1 before 19,122 fans.



Back row:
Prince, Stephens, Aitken, Jacobs, Rudge.
Centre row:
Stanton, Taylor, Eadie, Staniforth, Sheppard, Warboys, Parsons.
Front row:
Bobby Campbell (trainer), Fearnley, Bannister, Don Megson (manager) Jones, John, Colin Dobson (coach).



Birmingham City at home was the reward for that triumph and they subsequently tossed out the 'Blues' by 3-0 to go forward into the next round where they failed, in a replay against Villa.

Incidentally, a 'gate' of 27,780 saw the 'home' game with Villa, which ended 1-1.

Another excellent run was in 1971-72. With wins over Exeter (3-0), Sunderland (3-1), Charlton (2-1) and Queen's Park Rangers (1-0 after 1-1 draw) brought Rovers face to face with Stoke City in Round Five. The venue was in Bristol, but alas, the Midlanders proved too hot to handle and went through by 4-2, watched by an enthralled audience of 33,624—a record for a League Cup-tie at Eastville Stadium.

The 1972-73 tournament saw Rovers defeat Cardiff 3-1 after a 2-2 draw and Brighton (4-0). Manchester United (then a Division One side) were their next opponents. This resulted in a 2-1 away win after a 1-1 draw. That took them high-flying into Round Four for only the fourth time in their history.

The draw read: Wolves, away. It was too much, and Rovers crashed out by four goals to nil.

Last season Bournemouth travelled to Bristol for a First Round tie, and then returned South happy, after having won 1-0.

And that blank score sheet meant that it was the tenth time Rovers had failed to score in any League Cup game.

That then is the Bristol Rovers League Cup breakdown.

Luton's is just as good, so tonight both teams can, and should, be able to supply us with some worthwhile entertainment. Let's hope we get it.

LEAGUE CUP FACTS AND FIGURES . . .

Eight League Cup Finals have so far been staged at Wembley, and the gate receipts from each one have been:

1967 — £60,605	1971 — £158,765
1968 — £86,197	1972 — £201,749
1969 — £117,706	1973 — £174,658
1970 — £143,378	1974 — £161,140

The competition was given the official 'go-ahead' by 31 votes to 15 at the Annual General Meeting of the Football League in the summer of 1960.

The first League Cup-tie to be played on a Saturday was the Semi-Final, first leg, between Sunderland and Aston Villa at Roker Park on 12th January, 1963. Chelsea, after taking the trophy in 1964-65, gained entry into the Fairs Cup—and became the first club to win a place in a European Cup competition via the Football League Cup.

Record League Cup Scores:

- 1964-65 — Workington 9, Barrow 1
- 1966-67 — Northampton Town 8, Brighton H.A. 0
- 1962-63 — Leyton Orient 9, Chester 2
- 1964-65 — Coventry City 1, Leicester City 8
- 1960-61 — Doncaster Rovers 0, Chelsea 7

Tony Brown (1965-66) and Clive Clark (1966-67), both of West Bromwich Albion, are the only players so far to score in each round of the competition in a season. Clark, in fact, scored in every game, including the two Semi-Final legs.

A record number of 394 goals were scored in 112 League Cup-ties in the 1960-61 season . . . over three goals per game!

FOR THE RECORD . . .

Two past Cup clashes between Luton and Rovers:

F.A. Cup, Round Two—7th January, 1967

BRISTOL ROVERS 3, LUTON TOWN 2

Scorers: Bristol: Williams, Davies, Jarman.
Luton: Kevan (2).

Attendance: 8,480

F.A. Cup, Round Four—27th January, 1951

LUTON TOWN 1, BRISTOL ROVERS 2

Scorers: Luton: Watkins
Bristol: Petherbridge, Aherne o.g.

Attendance: 15,000.



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Both our reserve teams have got off to a flying start. The standard of football from both sides has been tremendous. In the Combination, the lads have lost narrowly against Bristol City and Bournemouth, both away, but have taken both points from West Ham United here and at Upton Park, and put four goals past Crystal Palace. Their goal tally to date is 12 (Adrain Alston 4, Rodney Fern 4, Ron Futcher 2, Steve Buckley 1 and Andy King 1). David Pleat, assistant coach, is obviously making his presence felt. Well done everyone.

In the Mid-Week League, Danny Bergara's team have a one hundred percent record. They beat Northampton Town 4-3 at Kenilworth Road—the scorers were Laurence Coyne,

Martin Chalmers, Alan Biley and an own goal. A truly wonderful win at Millwall, 2-1, who, incidentally, had five first-teamers in their side. The scorers here were Martin Chalmers and Ron Futcher. Against Cambridge United on Monday, 2nd September, the boys did very well in atrocious conditions after being a goal down to win 2-1, with goals from Alan Biley and a marvellous solo effort from Martin Chalmers.

Our attendances at these reserve games have been encouraging. However, we would still like to see more of you here. Come along—you won't be sorry. Our reserves this season have great potential and with your encouragement they will go from strength to strength.

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VIDEO RECORDINGS

You have all heard our announcer, John Buttle, stating that the video camera is being used as a deterrent against hooliganism. This is, in fact, quite true and we would like all our supporters to know that the lens on this camera can zoom in to obtain a head and shoulders photograph of almost anyone in the ground, and if trouble occurs we will do so, recording all disturbances and the people responsible for them. We will then make the tape available to the local Police for identification purposes, so please note that we will not hesitate to use this method of detection against crowd hooliganism and bad behaviour.

MASCOT

The Mascot for this evening's game is Lance Phillips, 26 Sherborne Avenue, Luton. Lance is ten years old.

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We are desperately short of suitable accommodation for our Apprentices. If any of our supporters can help on this matter would you kindly contact Mr Cliff Notley at the Club Offices as soon as possible.

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3—The Train Stewards have the right to put anyone off the train at any point or time who they think is causing trouble or making a general nuisance.

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5—The name and address of passengers will be taken for every ticket sold.

6—Prices for tickets will be subject to alteration.

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HATTERS SPECIAL

LEICESTER CITY v LUTON TOWN

Saturday, 5th October, 1974—Kick-off: 3-00 pm

The next Hatters Special Charter Train will be to the above match. At the time of going to press train times are not available but supporters wishing to travel on the train are advised to purchase their tickets as soon as possible as there have been many enquiries for all away charter trains and if you leave it until the last minute you could well be disappointed. Full details of the train times will be published in the local press and in the programme as soon as these are at hand.

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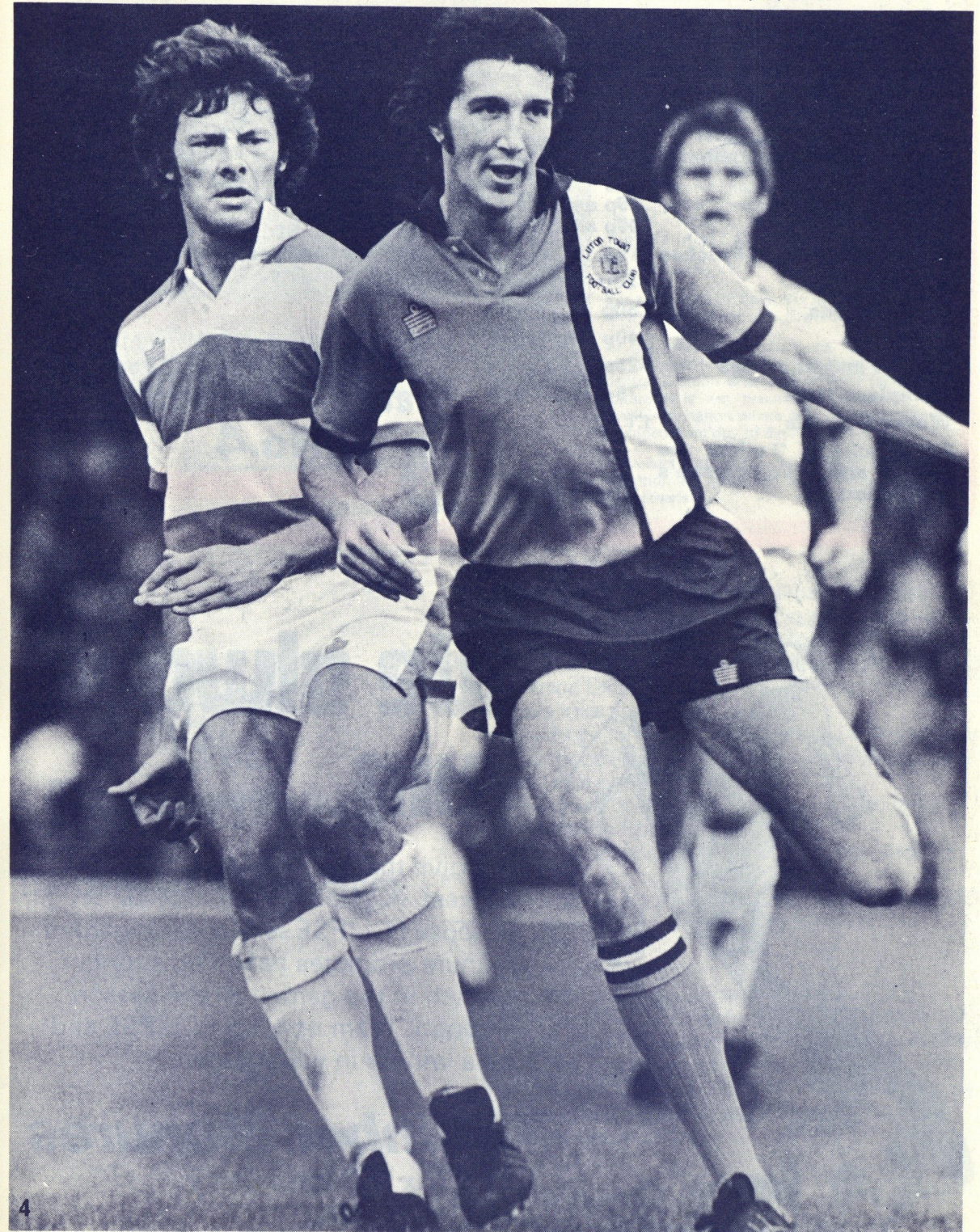
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SATURDAY, 31st AUGUST, 1974

1—Peter Anderson moves the other way as Q.P.R.'s David Webb tackles quickly.
2-3—Adrian Alston's long legs carry him clear.
4—Don Shanks . . . the face of determination.
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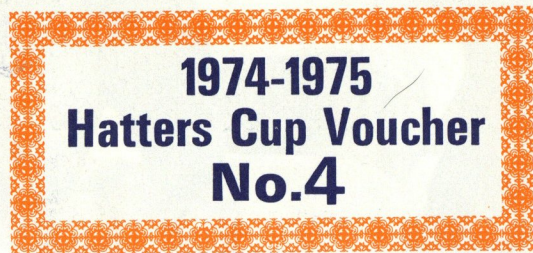
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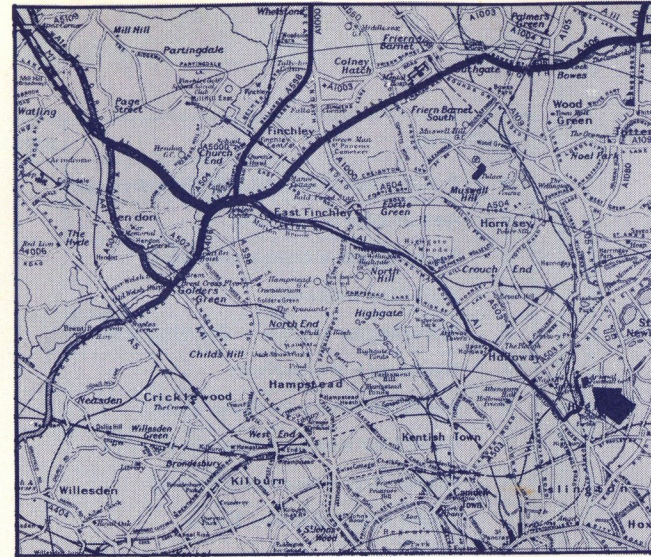
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- 3 BOBBY THOMSON
- 4 PETER ANDERSON
- 5 JOHN FAULKNER
- 6 JOHN RYAN
- 7 GORDON HINDSON
- 8 JIMMY HUSBAND
- 9 BARRY BUTLIN
- 10 ALAN WEST
- 11 ADRIAN ALSTON
- 12

Colours:

Shirts—Orange with a White and Navy Stripe.

Shorts—Navy. Stockings—Orange

BRISTOL ROVERS

- 1 JIM EADIE
- 2 TREVOR JACOBS
- 3 LINDSAY PARSONS
- 4 PETER AITKEN
- 5 STUART TAYLOR
- 6 FRANK PRINCE
- 7 BRYN JONES
- 8 TOM STANTON
- 9 ALAN WARBOYS
- 10 BRUCE BANNISTER
- 11 GORDON FEARNLEY
- 12

Colours:

Shirts—Blue. Shorts—White.

Stockings—White.

Referee:

Mr T. D. SPENCER, Wootton Bassett, Wiltshire

Linesmen:

Mr A. S. BARNES, London—Red Flag

Mr K. J. UNDERWOOD, Surrey—Orange Flag

MAN IN THE MIDDLE

Trevor Spencer, began refereeing in local Hampshire leagues in 1955 and progressed through the Hampshire League to the Football Combination to The League line. Appointed to the full list at the start of the 1971-72 season. Married with two daughters, he works as a technical representative. Officiated in the 1971 Anglo-Italian Tournament and was on the line for the Benfica v Ajax, European Cup semi-final in 1972. His interests outside the game include cricket, golf and do-it-yourself.

SCORES

LIST ONE		SCORE
A	Tottenham Hotspur v Middlesbrough	
B	Aston Villa v Everton	
C	Portsmouth v Derby County	
D	Hull City v Burnley	
E	Manchester United v Charlton Ath.	
F	Reading/ v Rotherham	
G	Bradford City v Carlisle United	
H	Southend United v Colchester Utd.	
K	Exeter City v Hereford United	
L	Stoke City v Halifax Town	
M	Crewe Alexandra v Birmingham City	
N	Chester v Blackpool	

LIST TWO		SCORE
A	Chelsea v Newport County	
B	Bournemouth v Hartlepool	
C	Tranmere Rovers v West Ham United	
D	Wolverhampton Wanderers v Fulham	

LEAGUE DIVISION ONE

Home					Away						
P	W	D	L	FA	Teams	W	D	L	FA	P	
5	2	0	0	4	Liverpool	2	1	0	5	1	9
5	2	0	0	5	Ipswich Town	2	0	1	3	3	8
5	2	1	0	4	Everton	1	1	0	4	3	8
5	3	0	0	7	Manchester City	1	0	1	2	5	8
5	1	0	1	1	Carlisle United	2	1	0	5	1	7
5	1	2	0	5	Stoke City	1	0	1	2	2	6
5	0	1	1	3	Middlesbrough	2	1	0	5	1	6
5	1	1	0	4	Wolverhampton Wanderers	1	1	1	3	4	6
5	2	1	0	6	Sheffield United	0	1	1	2	4	6
5	1	1	0	3	Derby County	0	2	1	1	3	5
5	2	1	0	7	Newcastle United	0	0	2	3	6	5
5	0	1	1	2	Queen's Park Rangers	1	2	0	3	2	5
5	0	1	2	3	Chelsea	2	0	0	5	2	5
5	1	0	1	4	Arsenal	1	0	2	2	5	4
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5	0	2	1	2	Luton Town	0	1	1	1	3	3
5	1	0	1	4	West Ham United	0	1	2	0	6	3
5	1	0	1	1	Leeds United	0	1	2	2	6	3
5	1	0	2	3	Tottenham Hotspur	0	0	2	0	2	2
5	0	1	2	4	Birmingham City	0	1	1	1	2	2
5	0	1	1	2	Coventry City	0	1	2	3	7	2

Up to and including Friday 6th September 1974

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