



CHARLIE GEORGE
... terrace idol



JEFF BLOCKLEY
... unable to settle

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Kidd goals then Luton fight back

LUTON fully deserved to share the points with their more illustrious opponents. They fought back with splendid determination after twice being in arrears.

Yet although four goals were scored the 21,000 crowd were given little to enthuse about.

Both sides appeared reluctant to retain possession of the ball and creative build-ups were almost non-existent.

Even young Liam Brady, who has so much individual talent, seemed anxious to stroke the ball away without ever taking on an opponent. It was Brian Kidd, Arsenal's latest acquisition, who rescued them with two well-taken goals.

John Radford had a wonderful chance to put Arsenal ahead after five minutes when right through after centre half John Faulkner had slipped up. Radford tried to round the goalkeeper instead of shooting and was dispossessed.

Then Arsenal had a fright when Luton's Australian striker

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Arsenal 2 Luton 2

Adrian Alston hit the post with Rimmer hopelessly beaten.

Then Arsenal went ahead a minute before half-time. Kidd was pulled down by Faulkner just outside the box and from the free-kick, Kidd shot through a wall of players and beat the unsighted goalkeeper.

EQUALISER

Luton were level seven minutes after the interval. Don Shanks pushed a ball through to Anderson, who pulled the ball back for Alston to side-foot it into the net.

Arsenal went ahead again after 62 minutes. Armstrong put a free-kick on the right into the goalmouth, which was headed out to Simpson. His shot wriggled out of Barber's hands and Brian Kidd on the floor kneed the ball over the line.

Two players were then booked in a matter of minutes. Nelson for a foul on Anderson and Faulkner for open dissent.

Luton fought back courageously although there was little creative football. Their equaliser, however, was a great one.

After a scramble in the Arsenal goalmouth, the ball was headed out to Shanks, who hit a tremendous left foot volley past Rimmer.

ARSENAL. Rimmer; Simpson, Nelson, Storey, Blockley, Matthews, Armstrong, Kelly, Radford, Kidd, Brady. Sub: Powling.
LUTON TOWN. — Barber; Shanks, Thomson, Anderson, Faulkner, Ryan (John), Hindson, Ryan (Jim), Butlin, West, Alston. Sub: Chambers.