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**Today's visitors York City are no strangers in the hard-nut world of the Second Division where life is a mixture of sides brimming with skill and desperate for that final push into the First Division.**

Last season they were playing in the Second and we were playing in the First. Now we are thrown together in a Second Division match that we are both anxious to win.

We need to win to establish ourselves in the top half of the table. York want to win to get away from the bottom and the threat of a return to the Third Division.

There's a fair old tussle going on at the other end of the table as well. Bristol City and Sunderland are being chased by Bolton Wanderers and Bristol Rovers, and we want to get in there before they all get too far away for us to catch.

Luckily for us there seems to be no side that is really consistent in the Second Division this season. While we have been going through our bad patch there has been no club surging ahead at the top. I am convinced that no club will be four points clear by Christmas.

I am aware of our shortcomings, and I promise you that I have been out looking for players. I will continue to do so until I have found what I want at the price I can afford. If I have to sell players to buy what I consider to be better, then I will do it. But money is so short in the game at the moment that I am convinced many clubs will only be able to survive by building their own 'player factories'.

We are doing this at Luton, and many of our young players are coming along in leaps and bounds. The most successful so far has been Andy King, who came through to the first-team.

But there are plenty coming up behind Andy. It would be worthwhile some of you coming along to see them in one of our Midweek League matches. Their coach Danny Bergara is doing a marvellous job, and the kids are performing with great credit week after week, often against men with much more experience.

Our support has been a bit disappointing this season. I mention this only because I can't stop thinking about the way the crowd back teams like Sunderland.

When you get support like they do at Roker Park it's half the battle. There were nearly 30,000 people there when we visited ten days ago. You should have heard the noise.

They even clapped and cheered when one of their forwards missed an open goal. And the player acknowledged their appreciation with a wave.

This is something I always notice in the North of England. Once you get over the border of Yorkshire, it's like being in another world. The bias for their team by the fans is enormous. It's almost unbelievable.

We could do with a bit of that sort of atmosphere down here. I know it's results that bring the crowd along. All I can do is assure you that everyone at Kenilworth Road from the players to myself and the coaching staff are trying like blazes to get things on the right track.



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# ACTION

## LUTON 1 FULHAM 0

Saturday 18th October 1975

1. Bobby Moore waits anxiously as Ronnie sets up this attack.  
2 & 3. Both these pictures led up to Brian Chambers' goal.

Action Pictures: Gareth Owen.



# WELCOME TO



*Back row:* M. Cave, B. Lyons, J. Woodward, B. Hosker, J. Seal, D. Wann, P. Oliver, I. Butler.  
*Standing:* W. McGuinness (Manager), C. Jones, C. Topping, I. Robb, J. Neenan, S. Walker, J. Hinch, J. Stone, C. Baker (Coach), R. Spence (Physiotherapist).  
*Seated:* E. McMordie, I. Holmes, C. Calvert, B. Swallow, B. Pollard, G. Hunter, D. Downing.  
*Front seated:* F. O'Sullivan, P. Taylor, K. Pickard. Absent from photo: G. Grawford.

York City, tonight's visitors from the North of England, are playing only their second season of Division Two soccer in the club's 53-year history. And at the moment things aren't going too well for manager Wilf McGuinness's men, especially at home, where they've already lost disappointingly, conceding several goals in the process. Their away form hasn't been up to scratch either, and it's obvious that scoring goals has been York's major problem of late.

Yet boss McGuinness, the former Manchester United and England wing-half, still believes his team can come good—with a little bit of luck. He certainly has some experienced players in his squad and says: "All we need right now is for the ball to run for us."

York's staff for 1975-76 includes goalkeeper **Graeme CRAWFORD**, who was signed from Sheffield United after having started his career with East Stirling. A tall, strong, reliable performer, he originates from Falkirk and has played in over 180 games for City.

The full-back pairing is likely to be **Gordon HUNTER** and **Peter OLIVER**, now that Chris Calvert has moved on to Sheffield United.

**Hunter** stemmed from York's junior ranks and made a name for himself on the club's tour to ICELAND in 1974. He was born at Lyreham.

**Oliver**, a former Scottish League and Under-23 player, was transferred to Bootham Crescent from Hearts just over a year ago. He made over 100 appearances for the Scottish Club and is exceptionally good in the tackle.

Roving defender **Derrick DOWNING**, the lad from Frickley Colliery, has had spells with Middlesbrough and Orient prior to joining City. At this juncture in his career Derrick has 300 League appearances behind him, including 182 for 'Boro.

Central defender **Barry SWALLOW** was bought from Bradford City after previously having assisted Doncaster Rovers, Barnsley and Crewe. A player who leads by personal example. Barry originates from Doncaster and has played in over 500 senior matches for his five professional clubs. He is City's captain.

Alongside **Swallow** will be **Chris TOPPING**, a local lad who came up through City's reserve sides to firmly establish himself in the first XI. Born at Selby, Chris, at 6' 1", and 13 stone, has over 280 games in his locker for York.

Midfield man **Eric McMORDIE**, a close-season signing by McGuinness from Middlesbrough, has 21 Ireland caps to his credit. A Belfastian, Eric has already appeared in well over 250 League and cup matches in his long career.

Helping **McMordie** in midfield will be **Ian HOLMES**, another ex-Sheffield United performer, who joined City two seasons back. A native of Wombwell, Ian has stamina and skill, and goes strongly for 91 minutes!

Striking up front will be **Jimmy SEAL**, big **Jim HINCH**, **Chrissy JONES** and perhaps **Barry LYONS** or **Brian POLLARD**.

**Seal**, who was captured from Barnsley, was once on Wolves' books and has had a spell on loan with Walsall. Pontefract-born, he loves to hit the back of the net! As does **Chris Jones**, who has served Manchester City, Swindon and Walsall in his footballing days. A York player since 1973, he was born in Altrincham and stands 5' 10" tall.

Hereford United sold **Hinch** to York 14 months ago. This huge six foot two inch striker has been with Tranmere Rovers and Plymouth and hails from Sheffield. Good in the air.

York paid a then record fee to Nottingham Forest for winger **Barry Lyons** in 1973. A former Rotherham lad, he has speed and footwork to upset many a defence.

**Pollard**, too, is a tricky handful. Holder of four amateur international caps, this local find is only 5' 5" in height and has been with York since 1970-71.

Finally there is **Mickey CAVE**, a busy schemer whom City lured from Bournemouth for £18,000 just 15 months ago. This man has the ability to win a match on his own. A tireless worker.

## YORK CITY FACTS AND FIGURES

**Founded:** 1922.

**Professional organisation:** 1922.

**Honours:** Promoted from Division Four: 1958-59, 1964-65, 1970-71; From Division Three: 1973-74.

**Most League Appearances:** 481, by Barry Jackson (1958-70).

**Best win:** 9-1 v Southport Division Three (N) 1957.

**Heaviest Defeat:** 0-12 v Chester Division Three (N) 1936.

**Most Goals in League Season:** 92 Division Three (N) (1954-55).

**Most Points in a Season:** 62 Division Four 1964-65.

**Best Scorer in League Season:** 31, Bill Fenton, (1951-52) and Alf Bottom, (1955-56).

**Clubs Top Scorer All told (in League):** Norman Wilkinson, 125 goals (1954-66).

**Most Capped Player:** Eammon Dunphy, Eire, one cap.

**Ground:** Bootham Crescent (since 1932).

**Record Crowd:** 28,123 (v Huddersfield F.A. Cup 1938).

**Present Capacity:** 17,000

**Club Nicknames:** Minster Men, 'Y's'.

## FOR THE RECORD

Tonight's clash is only the fifth between Luton and York in League football. The previous meetings—all in Division Four—have resulted thus:

### 1966-67

LUTON 5, YORK 1

YORK 5, LUTON 1

### 1967-68

LUTON 3, YORK 1

YORK 1, LUTON 1

## ODDITY

Early in his career, the famous figure of Joe Hulme was seen in a York City shirt. But the club let him go—and as it turned out jovial Joe went on to play in some 415 League games for Blackburn Rovers, Huddersfield and Arsenal, and also appeared in a record five F.A. Cup Finals. Such is the choice of players by a specific club—for Joe even won nine England caps. You pays your money—you takes your pick!

# YORK CITY



1

# ACTION

LUTON 0, BRISTOL CITY 0



2



1—City Keeper, Ray Cashley, makes a fine save from Andy King.

2—All fall down! Anderson, Drysdale, Jim Ryan and Merrick.

3—Alan West and Paul Cheesley fight this one out.

*ACTION PICTURES: GARETH OWEN*

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# TOWN CHAT

## F.A. YOUTH CUP

Thursday, 30th October, 1975

**OXFORD CITY 1, LUTON TOWN 3**

(Russell, Johnson, Donnelly)

**Team:** Knight, Morgan, McHugh, Smith, Jones, Sisman, Simon, Russell, Johnson, Hill, Donnelly. **Substitute:** Turner.

The Hatters travelled to Oxford having no prior knowledge of the class of their opponents, but as soon as we arrived we realised that it was going to be a tough game as most of the City players were nearly eighteen years old.

City put us under pressure for the first fifteen minutes and created a couple of good chances which were successfully thwarted by Knight and Morgan. Although the conditions were very bad—the pitch was extremely bumpy—we got on top and showed that we were the better side.

From the start of the second half we were in command, looking very sharp, and, as a result, we scored the first goal of the game after 59 minutes from a well-taken shot by Steve Russell. Only 17 minutes later, we further increased our lead with a goal that was brilliantly made by Ian Donnelly and not less brilliantly finished by young Johnson, with a clean header. City did not give up and they kept coming back at us. They were rewarded for their efforts after a poor referee gave them a free kick; Tony Knight dropped the ball, our defence stood watching and they narrowed the margin.

With ten minutes remaining the pressure was still there but, showing character, we scored our third and final goal in the 84th minute, which was well taken by Ian Donnelly.

This was a very good win indeed considering that the lads had to adapt to the conditions. Knight, in goal, did quite well although dropping the ball which led to City's goal. The defence was firm and determined, except for the first 15 minutes. In midfield, Ricky Hill had another good game and up front, Simon and Donnelly were very well complemented by a good display from fifteen-year-old, Johnson.

## MASCOT

This evening's mascot is Stephen Catling of 317 Dallow Road, Luton. Stephen is seven years old.

## FOOTBALL COMBINATION

Saturday, 1st November, 1975

**QUEENS PARK RANGERS 2, LUTON T. 1**

(Buckley)

Against an experienced Rangers side, we played some fine football and improved on the previous week's performance by creating several chances. On several occasions we were very unlucky not to score. Spiring hit the post twice with twenty yard drives and Buckley hit the bar.

After a four-man move, Buckley was obstructed in the box and, from a free kick, he scored with a tremendous drive. However, in the eighth minute, Price was adjudged to have handled the ball and Rangers scored from the penalty spot, although Knight got his hands to the ball. The game was full of good football and we always looked more likely to get the decisive goal. However, with two minutes remaining, a corner by Busby was headed into the net by Cunningham to give Rangers a somewhat lucky victory.

After the game we were complimented as the best side seen at Loftus Road this season. Several of the younger players gave very encouraging performances—Knight once again proved what a fine prospect he is; Mead played splendidly as did Carr and Price at the back.

## MIDWEEK FOOTBALL LEAGUE

(Up to and including Monday 27th October)

Teams	P	W	D	L	F	A	P
Peterborough United	8	6	1	1	16	7	13
Watford	9	5	3	1	18	9	13
Charlton Athletic	6	5	1	0	22	8	11
Southend United	8	4	1	3	16	11	9
Cambridge United	7	3	3	1	10	8	9
Millwall	8	3	3	2	16	16	9
<b>Luton Town</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>8</b>
Brentford	9	2	3	4	9	16	7
Orient	5	3	0	2	12	8	6
Brighton & Hove A.	9	1	4	4	8	14	6
Portsmouth	6	2	1	3	8	12	5
Gillingham	8	0	3	5	8	14	3
Northampton Town	7	1	0	6	8	20	2

(Not including Cambridge U. v Northampton T.)

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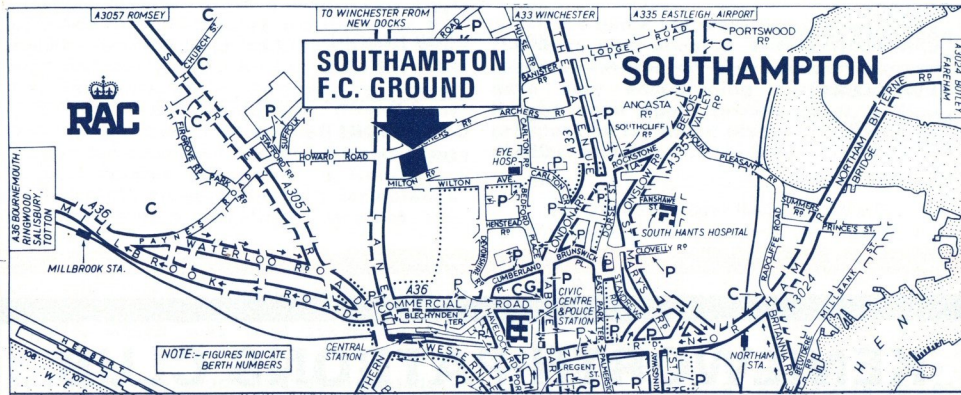
LUTON TOWN

Saturday 8th November 1975

Kick-off: 3.00 pm

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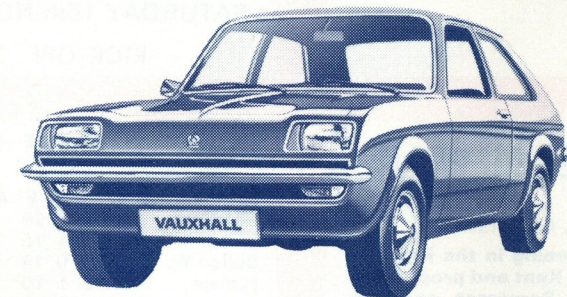


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- 2 JOHN RYAN
- 3 BOBBY THOMSON
- 4 BRIAN CHAMBERS
- 5 JOHN FAULKNER
- 6 PAUL FUTCHER
- 7 JIM RYAN
- 8 ANDY KING
- 9 PETER ANDERSON
- 10 ALAN WEST
- 11 JOHN ASTON
- 12

## YORK CITY

Colours: Shirts—Maroon with a White 'Y'. Shorts—White. Stockings—Maroon.

- 1 GRAEME CRAWFORD
- 2 PETER OLIVER
- 3 DEREK DOWNING
- 4 MICKY CAVE
- 5 CHRIS TOPPING
- 6 GORDON HUNTER
- 7 BRIAN POLLARD
- 8 JOHN WOODWARD
- 9 JIMMY SEAL
- 10 CHRIS JONES
- 11 DENNIS WANN
- 12

## MAN IN THE MIDDLE

Referee:

Mr A. R. LEES, Street, Somerset.

Alex Lees began refereeing in the Bromley and District League in Kent and progressed through Leagues in Somerset and the Western League on to the League line and Supplementary List. Promoted to the Full List in 1972. On the line for a UEFA Cup match in Russia in 1973 and also for the 1973 F.A. Challenge Trophy Final at Wembley and the 1971 Wales v Scotland Under-23 international. Married with four children, he is senior master at a comprehensive school and an MCC youth cricket coach. Interested in ornithology, Gilbert and Sullivan operettas, playing most sports and running school cricket and soccer teams.

Linesmen:

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# SCORES

1	Blackpool v Nottingham F	
2	Bolton W v Portsmouth	
3	Bristol R v West Bromwich A	
4	Carlisle Utd v Oldham Athletic	
5	Notts County v Plymouth A	
6	Halifax T v Preston North End	
7	Peterborough Utd v Grimsby T	
8	Rotherham Utd v Chester	
9	Swindon T v Crystal Palace	
10	Doncaster R v Huddersfield YT	
11	Exeter City v Bradford City	
12	Lincoln City v Tranmere Rovers	
13	Scunthorpe Utd v Cambridge U	
14	Southport v Watford	

NEXT HOME DIVISION TWO  
GAME AT KENILWORTH ROAD

## LUTON TOWN v OLDHAM ATHLETIC

SATURDAY 15th NOVEMBER 1975

KICK-OFF: 3.00 pm

## FOOTBALL LEAGUE—DIVISION TWO

Teams	Home					Away						
	P	W	D	L	F	A	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Sund'land	15	8	0	0	20	4	2	2	3	3	6	22
Bristol C.	15	5	1	1	15	4	3	3	2	14	12	20
Bolton W.	14	4	2	0	14	4	4	2	2	13	11	20
Fulham	14	3	3	1	10	3	4	1	2	9	7	18
Bristol R.	14	3	3	1	10	7	3	3	1	9	5	18
Notts Co.	14	3	2	1	5	2	4	2	2	9	9	18
S'thampton	14	7	0	0	19	3	0	2	5	7	17	16
Oldham A.	14	6	1	1	15	9	0	3	3	5	12	16
Charlton A.	14	4	1	1	12	6	2	3	3	7	14	16
Hull C.	14	3	3	2	8	7	2	1	3	6	8	14
Nott'm F.	14	3	1	4	12	8	1	4	1	4	5	13
<b>Luton T.</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>13</b>
Orient	14	4	3	1	7	3	0	2	4	4	9	13
Chelsea	15	3	4	0	11	5	0	3	5	15	5	13
W.B.A.	13	2	5	0	6	4	1	2	3	3	10	13
Plymouth	14	4	2	1	11	8	0	2	5	5	11	12
Blackpool	14	3	2	1	10	10	1	2	5	3	9	12
Blackburn	14	1	2	4	6	8	1	5	1	7	7	11
Oxford U.	14	2	2	3	8	9	1	1	5	6	14	9
Carlisle U.	14	1	4	1	6	6	1	0	7	5	17	8
P'smouth	14	0	5	3	5	9	1	1	4	3	10	8
York City	14	2	0	5	9	16	0	3	4	4	10	7