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# HARRYS TOWN

We often get one of our best gates of the season for the visit of Fulham to Kenilworth Road. I am sure today's game will prove to be no exception.

The arrival of George Best and Rodney Marsh to the Fulham side has created tremendous interest in the West London team. It looks to have been a bright move by their manager Alec Stock, and old friend of mine at Luton.

We will also be looking forward to the visit of Alan Slough and Viv Busby, two old favourites at Luton. Alan has done very well for himself, and today came to Luton as Fulham's captain.

But footballers are not great respectors of reputations, and I can assure you that the new stars in the Fulham side will not make any difference to my team. They will be out there to beat them — just as they tackle anyone else. And there's enough talent on both sides to make it a most entertaining match.

It seemed strange not to have a match last Saturday, after having played our game against Charlton on Friday night. But we didn't waste the day. I went over to Mike Talbot's farm near Aylesbury for the horse cross country which he worked so hard to put on in aid of the Friends of Luton Committee.

The sponsorship of the various riders was a great help to the club, and we are all very grateful to Mike, a member of our new Vice Presidents' Club.

This afternoon we gave the go-ahead for the Luton athletes to do a few laps round the pitch for the kick-off — in an effort to boost the attendance at the Vauxhall International Cross Country relay next week.

Ian Thompson and his team-mates were expected to turn up today, and I sincerely hope a whole lot of our fans will go and support their meeting.

You never know, today's little effort before the kick-off may well be the start of something much bigger. I see no reason at all why we should not have serious races to entertain the fans before football matches. I shall certainly be giving it more thought. In the meantime, I hope you enjoy today's game. It promises to be a cracker.

# SHANLEY

## Luton's National Building Company



Michael Shanley is Chairman of M. J. Shanley Limited, the company he formed in 1957. He is a professional builder who now heads one of the fastest growing building concerns in the country.

Jim Moulton, Managing Director of M. J. Shanley (Contracting) Limited, started his career as a stonemason working on the re-building of London's bombed churches. He is now responsible for Shanley's large estate developments around Luton and further afield.



MICHAEL SHANLEY's connection with Luton Town Football Club goes back to that famous day in 1959 when the Club reached the F.A. Cup Final for the first time. It was the day that 'Hatters' supporters turned up in their thousands wearing straw boaters — probably the greatest number ever seen at Wembley for a Cup Final.

Many of those hats were supplied by Michael Shanley, who personally handed them to supporters as they made their way to Wembley Stadium.

It was as a hat maker that Michael Shanley first came to Luton, but as fashions changed in the early fifties the demand for hats and, particularly straw boaters, declined. Meanwhile the need for housing had become acute and Michael Shanley, a qualified plasterer by trade, decided to turn his attention to building.

## HAPPY HARRY

Harry Haslam, Town's Manager, had a dual reason for looking happy when this picture was taken. First he met up with two Shanley girls, Rowena (left) and Carol, and second, Town scored twice against Sheffield United to win their first home league match of the season.



## SHANLEY'S SHAPELY SHOW STOPPERS

The Shanley girls scored a big success when they attended the Luton Industries Fair held at Kenilworth Road in June as part of the Luton Centenary celebrations. Showing a piece of neat footwork are, left to right, Kim, May, Margaret, Veronica, Moira, Carol, Colette, Kate, Rowena and Ruth. All the girls work at Shanley's head office in Collingdon Street, Luton.

So in 1957 M. J. Shanley Limited was formed and the company was soon engaged in extensive estate development.

Thousands of Shanley homes have now been built, not only around Luton itself but as far afield as Scotland and Europe.

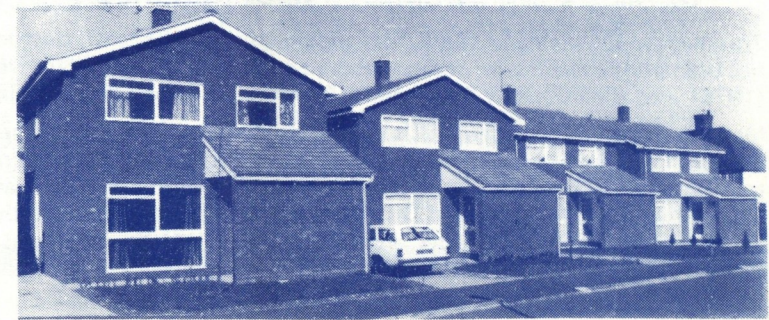
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These Shanley homes are at Kensworth, Dunstable, where they are part of a housing development for Lebogon Trust Limited. The company is engaged in many major contracts in and around the Luton area.



# WELCOME FULHAM



## TODAY'S REFEREE

**KENNETH W. BAKER (Rugby)**

Commenced refereeing in 1959. Was appointed to the Football League line in 1967 and has been on the full list for several years. Linesman in the Northern Ireland v Wales match (1975), also the Fulham v Birmingham City F.A. Cup Semi-Final Replay last year.

Married, with four children, he is Chief Security/Traffic Officer at the National Exhibition Centre. For 12 years he served with the Metropolitan and Warwickshire Police Forces rising to a Temporary Detective Inspector. Is Chairman of both the Rugby and District Referees Association and the Rugby and District Junior League, and as Executive Committee Member of the Football League Referees' and Linesmen's Association (Midland Section). Plays tennis for the local police team.

# TEAM - TALK

**LES BARRETT** London born. A former England under 23 International. Les's first appearance in Fulham's League team was in 1965/66 and was top goal scorer when the Club won promotion from Division 111 in 1971. Caps for England under-23 - 1. A member of the 1975 Cup Final team.

**VIV BUSBY.** Born in High Wycombe. Viv played for his local Club prior to signing professional for Luton Town. At Luton he formed a spectacular partnership with Malcolm MacDonald. Signed for a fee of £25,000; A member of the 1975 Cup Final team.

**JOHN DOWIE.** Born in Scotland, he is an apprentice with Fulham, signed full professional in 1974. He played in the Scottish Youth side.

**JOHN CUTBUSH** Born in Malta G.C. John was released in the summer of 1973 by Tottenham after spending several years at White Hart Lane. He didn't manage to get into Spurs League team but has made 115 appearances in Fulham's League side. He was a member of the 1975 Cup Final team.

**BARRY LLOYD** Born in Middlesex. A former England Youth International. He joined Fulham from Chelsea in 1968/69 as part of the deal which took John Dempsey to Stanford Bridge. He was a member of the 1975 Cup Final team.

**PETER MELLOR.** Born in Prestbury.. Fulham signed Peter from Burnley for £25,000 in February 1972. Burnley found him playing for Witton Albion and promoted him to their First Division side in 1969/70 where he gained an under-23 cap. He was a member of the 1975 Cup Final Team.

**JOHN MITCHELL.** Born in Hertfordshire John joined to club as a professional from his local amateur club St. Albans in February 1972. Due to injury, he made limited appearances last season. He was the leading goal-scorer during 1975/76 season and is in line for an under-23 cap. A member of the 1975 Cup Final team.

**BOBBY MOORE .** What can one say or add to the following: England Captain, approximately 90 times. Captain of World Cup winning side 1966. A member of the 1975 Cup Final team. Holder of 108 caps. All time record F.A. Cup Winners Medal 1964. European Cup Winners Medal 1965. Nominated 'Player of the Tournament' World Cup 1966. League appearance 619 Goals 25

**ALAN SLOUGH** Born in Luton Signed from Luton Town in close season 1974 where he had played for the past 10 seasons. Has made 378 first team appearances and joined us for a fee of £45,000. A member of the 1975 Cup Final team. Appointed captain for the coming season. Goals 39

**LES STRONG** Born in London. Played for Crystal Palace as a schoolboy. Signed for Fulham as a professional in June 1971. Has made 111 League appearances and scored 2 goals. Due to injury missed the 1975 Cup Final.

**RICHARD TEALE** Born in Millham. He was signed from Q.P.R. in the close season where he understudied Phil Parkes, the England Keeper.

**JOHN EVANSON** Born in Newcastle-under-Lyme Signed from Blackpool during the close season Made over 150 appearances for Oxford United before being transferred to Blackpool for over £70,000. Regular first team player at Blackpool.

**TERRY BULLIVANT** Born Elephant & Castle London, was signed as an Apprentice in 1972 and graduated through the Youth scheme. Signed full professional form 1974. 3 First team appearances.

**TYRONE JAMES** Born in Paddington, he signed professional in 1974 after being on the ground staff for one year.

**GEORGE BEST.** It's all been said before! One of the few players in the history of the game with an unassailable record of success - League Championships, Cup, Football League Cup and European Cup successes. 'Player of the Year' and 'European Player of the Year'. Has returned to the English scene from the U.S.A. with the fervant desire to re-establish himself with his vast supporting public.

**RODNEY MARSH.** English International. Began his playing career with Fulham and subsequently played with Q.P.R. and Manchester City - being transferred to the latter for £200,000. He has now returned 'home' from the U.S.A. where he has been playing with Tampa Bay Rowdies. One of the games outstanding personalities with a goal record of 164 League goals. This he hopes to improve.

**JOHN LACY** Born in Liverpool, he made his first appearance v Millwall. Formerly with London University - has a B.S.C. degree. A member of the 1975 Cup Final team.

# ALEC STOCK (Fulham's Manager)

by Tony Pullein

It's always good to welcome Alec Stock back to Kenilworth Road because, as the longest-serving manager in the Football League, he is widely respected as one of the best in the business.

Alec Stock, the manager, first hit the headlines in 1948 when he steered Southern League Yeovil Town to astonishing Cup victories over Bury and Sunderland. They eventually went down 8-0 at Manchester United but Stock and Yeovil had made their mark and those great feats are still remembered vividly by many thousands of people all over the world.

In August 1949 he was appointed manager of Leyton Orient and he built the side which won promotion to Division in 1956. He moved to Arsenal as assistant manager in 1956 but he was greatly disillusioned by conditions on the coaching side at Highbury so he returned to Orient within a couple of months. The challenge of Italian soccer was laid before him and he took control of Roma F.C. but he once again returned to Leyton Orient when they were in trouble.

Alec Stock finally severed his connections with Orient in March 1959 and three months later became manager of Queens Park Rangers, whose success under his able command was phenomenal.

In 1967 Rangers became the first Third Division side ever to reach a Wembley final when they met W.B.A. in the League Cup final, crowning a glorious day by winning 3 - 2. They also won promotion to the Second Division.

A year later they equalled Charlton's then unique feat of the 'thirties by rising from the Third to the First Division in successive seasons. Yet, having achieved all that, his reward was --- the sack!

Within months he was re-installed at Luton, fresh out of the Fourth Division. But it wasn't long before his Midas touch materialised again as the Hatters moved up to Division Two.

Since joining Fulham he has led them to an F.A. Cup Final. Now his aim is promotion.

# "TAKE HIM ON"

Little can be said or written that has not already been covered by the media on the subject of George and Rodney. The bulk of the words have been centred on their personalities rather than their abilities. Why have they star appeal?

Players that can accept the ball with good control and are prepared to dribble past opponents have become scarce. The art of taking the ball to an opponent and attacking the space behind, by individual skill has not been exploited fully. Of course, there are times to dribble and times to pass; that decision can only be made by the player in possession, he must have that sense of awareness that is so vital. Players with this skill need encouraging. The biggest fault of some well meaning, but misguided schoolboy coaches is to chivy the player who, in attempting a dribble when there is an opportunity, loses the ball. In time the player will become wary and lose confidence in his skill.

So the message is clear don't knock the young player who has the confidence to go past players, -- encourage. Dribbling can be worked on in training, tricks can be initiated. Important guidelines can be laid down -- when and where to use the skill. Dribbling destroys cover, opens up defences.

Highly talented players such as Marsh and Best can unsettle teams composure. Whilst good accurate passing will always be an excellent basic recipe for successful team play encourage and exploit to your advantage the boys who can "take players on".

At our club we have several youngsters with the ability to go past players, Ricky Hill, Lilly Fucillo, Godfrey Ingham, Nigel Johnson are just four who have the skill. It is our job as coaches to ensure that the abilities are developed, encouraged and exploited to the full.

DAVID PLEAT. ASSISTANT COACH.

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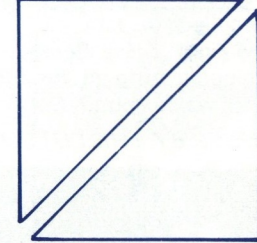
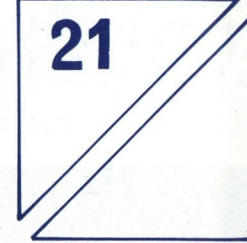
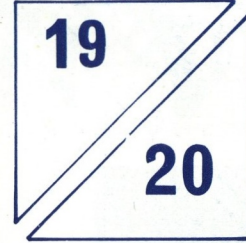
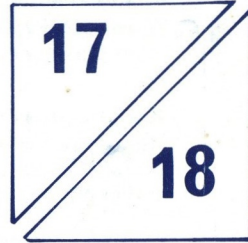
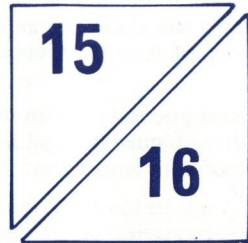
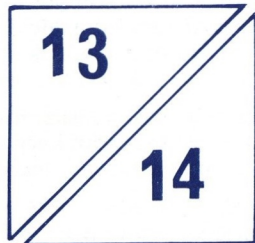
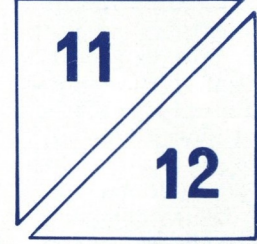
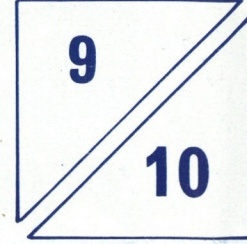
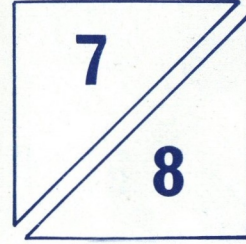
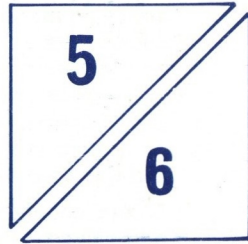
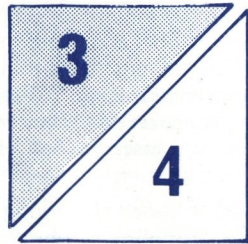
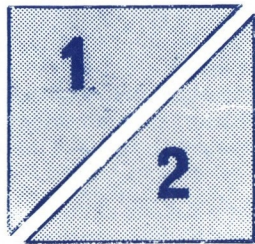
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# THE TOWN IN ACTION AT CHARLTON

WITH both defences regularly under pressure, and seven goals scored, there was plenty of goalmouth excitement at Charlton last Friday when the home side were lucky to take both points.

We suffered for defensive slackness, and took a body-blow when Charlton were awarded a controversial penalty.

But Charlton's rearguard were also given plenty to think about. **On the right** is one incident which very nearly brought the Town a spectacular goal.

Jim Husband, on the left, flies through the air to get in a header from a centre by John Aston. With goalkeeper Jeff Wood beaten the ball flashed the wrong side of the bar.

**Below left:** Jim Ryan, standing in for the injured Alan West, beats Keith Peacock in the air, with Jim Husband in position to collect the ball.

**Below right:** Steve Buckley on one of his surging runs down the left wing, preparing to waltz round Colin Powell.

*PICTURES BY THE LUTON NEWS.*



Football is well established as Britain's national game and holds an unrivalled position as our top spectator sport. It is also one of the sports that this country has given to the rest of the world, but opportunities for taking part in football at local level are being restricted by a serious shortage of pitches, especially in our towns and cities where land is scarce.

The lack of basic community facilities for football, and for many other sports, was one of the major factors which persuaded the Sports Council to launch a national Sports for ALL Week. The campaign aims to highlight the needs of sport in Britain, and also encourage more people to take part. Between 12 - 18 September, hundreds of events are taking place all over the country featuring over 60 different sports, all with something to offer in terms of fun and entertainment.

If football is to develop into the 1980's and beyond, local authorities must do more to reclaim derelict land for sports activities in general, and for football pitches in particular. More synthetic pitches must be provided - like those in London at Islington and Hackney, each of which can take up to 40 matches a week.

There must also be more sharing of educational, industrial and private pitches if our national game is to cope with the ever increasing numbers wanting to play. And taking part is what the Sports Council's Sport for ALL campaign is all about.

### SUPPORT LUTON ATHLETES

Next Saturday, 25th September, **Tony Simmons** our Olympic 10,000 Metres star and **Ian Thompson** arguably the world's greatest Marathon runner are competing for Luton in the **Vauxhall Motors International Cross Country Relay**, Bells Close/Peoples Park, Luton. Other Olympic athletes competing are Dave Moorcroft, Dennis Coates, Ian Stewart, Dave Black and Bernie Ford. So why not come along and give your support to Tony and Ian, who have done so much for the town. Meeting starts at 1.30 p.m. Relay at 2.45 p.m.

Admission is free. Programmes 20p. These are on sale around the ground and at the Luton Town F.C. offices, Kenilworth Road, Luton.

**LUTON SPORTS COUNCIL** invite anyone who is interested in competing or helping in any sport activities to phone 29235, Mr. H.D. Denchfield.

Mr. Denchfield, Secretary of Luton Sports Council will then arrange for you to get in touch with the appropriate authorities.

### TOWN TRAVEL

**Wolverhampton Wanderers v Luton Town Saturday 25th September 3.00 p.m.**

Leave Luton on the M1 Motorway, proceed north and leave M. 1 at the M.6 turn off, proceed along M.6 until Junction 10, follow signposts to Wolverhampton. Molineux is situated in the centre of the town.

Tricentral Coaches will depart: The Square, Dunstable at 11.00 a.m.  
Maple Road, Luton at 11.30 a.m. Fare: £1.70

Tricentral Coaches will be running a coach to Plymouth, Saturday 2nd. October Fare: £3.15  
Times to be announced.

### MATCH SPONSORSHIP

Luton Town Football Club would like to thank M.J. Shanley Ltd. for sponsoring today's game, and the four other companies who will be sponsoring later matches. This is an excellent way of furthering a company's public relations activity and involves a number of opportunities for making sales and friends.

If your company would like more information write or telephone Mr. Brian Morgan, Luton Town Football Club, 72 Kenilworth Road, Luton Tel: 411622 or 416711.

The Chairman and Directors welcome the founder members of

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# TOWN CHAT

In a recent survey the top scoring teams in the Football League are Aston Villa who over 2998 games have scored 5336 goals, Luton are in 16th position scoring 3553 goals in 2184 games. The most successful teams are Hereford United collecting 210 points from 184 games, followed by Liverpool and then Manchester United, Luton Town are in 27th place of the 92 clubs collecting 2253 points from 2184 games at a average 1.0316 per game.

Congratulations to Graham Jones on being invited to join the England Youth squad at Lilleshall next Monday, We all wish him well and hope his ambitions will be fulfilled.

Football is back with a bang and for the next eight months fans up and down the country will have plenty to talk about. And here is your opportunity for Luton Town Supporters to air their views on the sport in general. We would like to hear your views on any aspect of football today. Maybe you have a point to make, a query to ask or an idea to brighten up the game. Well why not share these views with other fans through the column of this match day magazine. **FAN TALK** will be your column, it will need your support to succeed, so get your letters off today to this address. **Fan Talk**, c/o Luton Town F.C. Kenilworth Road., Luton.

Congratulations! to the lads on winning the Kent Cup. This final took place at Brentford on Tuesday evening. Dickie Dean scored the vital goal, final score Brentford 0 Luton Town 1.

**Friday 10th September LUTON TOWN Reserves 0 IPSWICH TOWN Reserves 2**

**Town Reserves:** T. Knight, P. Mead, D. Carr, W. Morgan, G. Jones, J. McNichol, T. Smith, B. Gregory, N. Johnson, G. Ingram, B. Chambers.  
**Substitute:** G. Brown.

### TODAYS BAND.

We are pleased to see today the 4th Harpenden Scout and Guide Band, who will be playing a selection of numbers for us. The Band consists of 24 playing members, average age 14 years old. The Band came into existence two years ago under the direction of Mr. H. Boyton the Scouter in charge. During the current season they will have won eleven trophies in places as far apart as Warrington (Cheshire) Nottingham and West Bromwich

Members of the 4th Harpenden Scout and Guide Group have kindly offered to make a collection today, with the proceeds going to Luton Town F.C.

Birthday Greetings this month are, Petre Mead, 9th September. Keith Barber, 21st September Paul Futcher 25th September. Ron Futcher, 25th September.

### IT ISN'T AS EXPENSIVE AS YOU MAY THINK!

To have a sign around the Luton Town Football Club Stadium, that is. Last season over 237,000 people came to watch the first team games. Add to that the people who watched the televised games and you have an audience worth reaching.

There are a few signs still available ranging from £175 to £550 per season. If you would like more information write to Mr. B. Morgan, Luton Town Football Club, 72 Kenilworth Road, Luton or telephone Luton 416711.



# THE TOWN'S

Date	Opponents	Ground	Result	Attendance	Barber	Price	Buckley	Chambers	Faulkner	P. F. Fletcher	Husband	Hill	Deans	Fucillo	Aston	Jones	Smith	Ryan	West	R. Fletcher	
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Aug. 21	Sheffield United	H	2-0	10,687		1	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	12				
Aug. 24	Hull City	A	1-3	5,499		1	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	12				
Aug. 28	Burnley	A	2-1	12,262		1	2	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	12				
Sept. 1	Sunderland	A	1-3	22,390		1	2	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	12				
Sept. 4	Nottingham Forest	H	1-1	11,231		1	2	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	12				
Sept. 10	Charlton Athletic	A	3-4	9,191		1	2	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	12				
Sept. 18	Fulham	H				1	2	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	12				
Sept. 22	League Cup 3	A				1	2	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	12				
Sept. 25	Wolverhampton	A				1	2	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	12				
Oct. 2	Plymouth Argyle	A				1	2	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	12				
Oct. 9	Hereford United	H				1	2	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	12				
Oct. 16	Carlisle United	A				1	2	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	12				
Oct. 23	Southampton	H				1	2	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	12				
Oct. 27	League Cup 4	A				1	2	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	12				
Oct. 30	Blackburn Rovers	A				1	2	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	12				
Nov. 5	Bristol Rovers	H				1	2	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	12				
Nov. 13	Millwall	A				1	2	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	12				
Nov. 20	Cardiff City (1)	A				1	2	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	12				
Nov. 27	Notts County 5	A				1	2	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	12				
Nov. 27	League Cup 5	A				1	2	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	12				
Dec. 4	Blackpool	H				1	2	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	12				
Dec. 11	Bolton Wanderers(2)	A				1	2	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	12				
Dec. 18	Oldham Athletic	A				1	2	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	12				
Dec. 27	Orient	H				1	2	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	12				
Dec. 28	Chelsea	H				1	2	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	12				
Dec. 29						1	2	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	12				
1977						1	2	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	12				
Jan. 1	Bristol Rovers	A				1	2	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	12				
Jan. 3	Blackburn Rovers	H				1	2	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	12				
Jan. 8	F.A. Cup 3	A				1	2	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	12				
Jan. 15	Hull City	H				1	2	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	12				
Jan. 19	League Cup SF	A				1	2	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	12				
Jan. 22	Sherfield United	A				1	2	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	12				
Jan. 29	F.A. Cup 4	A				1	2	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	12				
Feb. 5	Birmingham Forest	H				1	2	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	12				
Feb. 12	Nottingham Forest	A				1	2	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	12				
Feb. 16	League Cup SF	A				1	2	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	12				
Feb. 19	Charlton Athletic	H				1	2	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	12				
Feb. 26	Fulham (5)	A				1	2	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	12				
Mar. 5	Wolverhampton W.	H				1	2	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	12				
Mar. 12	Plymouth Argyle (LCP)H	H				1	2	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	12				
Mar. 19	Hereford United (6)	A				1	2	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	12				
Mar. 26	Carlisle United	A				1	2	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	12				
Mar. 26	Carlisle United	A				1	2	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	12				
Apr. 2	Southampton	A				1	2	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	12				
Apr. 8	Chelsea	A				1	2	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	12				
Apr. 9	Orient	H				1	2	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	12				
Apr. 11	Orient	H				1	2	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	12				
Apr. 12	Millwall	H				1	2	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	12				
Apr. 16	Cardiff City	H				1	2	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	12				
Apr. 23	Notts County (SF)	H				1	2	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	12				
Apr. 30	Blackpool	H				1	2	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	12				
Apr. 30	Bolton Wanderers	A				1	2	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	12				
May 7	Bolton Wanderers	A				1	2	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	12				
May 14	Oldham Athletic	A				1	2	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	12				
May 21	F.A. Cup Final	A				1	2	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	12				

# REFERENCE LIBRARY

## RESULTS AND TEAMS COMBINATION

Sat. 28th. Aug. Bristol City 2 Luton Res. 1

**Team:** T. Knight, P. Mead, D. Carr, W. Morgan, J. McNichol, G. Jones, J. Ryan, G. Brown, N. Johnson, B. Gregory, S. Simon.,  
**Sub:** G. Ingram.

**Scorers:** Luton Re. G. Ingram  
Bristol City Bain (Pen) Simmons

## CHILTERN LEAGUE

Mon. 30th. Aug. Hitchin Youth 0 Luton Youth 2 (Ingram 2)

**Team:** A.Judge, T.Broom, W.Turner, W.Morgan, L.Harriot, G.Sisman, G.Brown, G.Ingram, I.Donnelly, P.Driver, R.Howson.  
**Subs:** N. Johnson, T. Wilkinson.

## CHILTERN YOUTH LEAGUE

Sat. 4th. Aug. Luton Town 5 Wealdstone 0

**Team:** A.Judge, W.Morgan, I.Donnelly, G.Brown, D.Barclay, G.Sisman, T.Wilkinson, G. Ingram, R.Howson, P.Driver, N.Johnson.  
**Subs:** T. Broom, L. Harriot.

## COMBINATION

Wed. 1st. Sept. Luton T. Res 0 Southampton Res 1

**Team:** T.Knight, P.Mead, D.Carr, T.Smith, G.Jones, J.NcNichol, J.Ryan, B. Gregory, R.Fletcher, A.West, S. Simon.  
**Sub:** G. Ingram.

## FOOTBALL COMBINATION FIXTURES 1976/77

1976	OPPONENTS	V	F A
Aug. 21	Oxford United	A	1-1
Aug. 24	Southampton	H	0-1
Aug. 28	Bristol City	A	1-2
Sept. 1			
Sept. 4			
Sept. 11	Ipswich Town	H	0-2
Sept. 18			
Sept. 22	West Ham United	H	
Sept. 25	Crystal Palace	H	
Sept. 28	Queens Park Rangers	A	
Oct. 2	Fulham	A	
Oct. 9			
Oct. 16	Cardiff City	H	
Oct. 23	Arsenal	A	
Oct. 27	Leicester City	A	
Oct. 30	Tottenham Hotspur	H	
Nov. 3	Chelsea	A	
Nov. 6	Swindon Town	A	
Nov. 13	Plymouth Argyle	H	
Nov. 20	Reading	A	
Nov. 23	Birmingham City	A	
Nov. 27	Bristol Rovers	H	
Dec. 1	Orient	A	
Dec. 4	Norwich City	H	
Dec. 11	Tottenham Hotspur	A	
Dec. 18			
Dec. 27			
Dec. 28			
Dec. 29			
1977			
Jan. 1	Hereford United	H	
Jan. 8			
Jan. 15			
Jan. 19	Southampton	A	
Jan. 22	Oxford United	H	
Jan. 29			
Feb. 1	Bristol City	H	
Feb. 12	West Ham United	A	
Feb. 16			
Feb. 19	Ipswich Town	A	
Feb. 26	Queens Park Rangers	H	
Mar. 5	Crystal Palace	A	
Mar. 8	Fulham	H	
Mar. 19	Leicester City	H	
Mar. 30	Cardiff City	A	
Apr. 2	Arsenal	H	
Apr. 8			
Apr. 9	Birmingham City	H	
Apr. 12			
Apr. 13	Hereford United	A	
Apr. 16	Swindon Town	H	
Apr. 23	Bristol Rovers	A	
Mar. 12	Plymouth Argyle	A	
Apr. 30	Reading	H	
May 3	Chelsea	H	
May 7	Norwich City	A	
May 14	Orient	H	
May 21			

# MEET ONE OF THE LADS



## Keith Barber

He is 5ft. 11ins. tall, and weighs 11 stone 11 lbs; Keith was born in London, his birthday is the 21st. September, and his star sign is Virgo.

After signing as a professional on the 9th. February 1970, Keith made his League debut at home for Sheffield Wed. where he stayed for the 1970-71 season. He has not played as a professional for a previous club.

Keith has a wife Annette, and his hobby is golf. He enjoys listening to Glen Campbell, his favourite foods are both Indian and Italian, and the holiday resort he enjoys the most is Spain.

Keith's biggest disappointment is being on a losing side, and he would advise all young players to listen and learn as much as possible. His own greatest moment would be he says, to play in first division and be player of the year. His main ambition is to play for as long as he is able to enjoy it.

When Keith eventually finishes playing he would like to be a Publican, as he enjoys the company of other people.

# ALL OUR YESTERDAYS

By: Brian Swain, Sports Editor, Luton News.

## A LOOK BACK AT A DECADE AGO

**FOOTBALL** at all levels of the game was going through major changes ten years ago today. Players had been captivated by the success of Alf Ramsey's 4-3-3 formation which had won the world cup.

At Kenilworth Road manager George Martin was against changing the traditional line-up of the goalie, two full-backs, three half-backs and four forwards. But the Town players were dead keen, so he gave it a go.

Ramsey himself had gone on record with the view that his system was right for very good players, but suggested that teams outside the top flight might find it difficult.

The Town tried it at Barnsley, and lost 2-1, with John Moore the scorer. Martin promptly abandoned 4-3-3, but that was not to be the end of it.

On September 17 the Town entertained Stockport County, and announced that they were going to the back traditional team formation. Stockport came to Luton as leaders of the Fourth Division. They were unbeaten, and had taken nine points out of ten.

Their playing staff was looking a bit elderly, but bursting with experienced talent. They included Eddie Stuart, ex Wolves and Stoke, the Welsh wizard Len Allchurch, former Town centre-half Matt Woods, and the genius Albert Quixall. He had moved from Sheffield United to Manchester United eight years previously, for a then British record fee of £45,000

Stockport also included an industrious young inside forward Keith Allen, who was later to become a firm favourite in the Town's colours.

But in that game against the Town his major contribution was to be fouled by Gordon Riddick late in the second half, and Shawcross put away the penalty.

Lord had already netted twice, and the Town fans were getting dispirited at the constant failure to turn attractive approach work into goals. Stockport won 3-0.

George Martin let it be known that he was hoping to go into the transfer market, although he added the proviso that the Club didn't have much money to spend. And yes, that really was ten years ago!

The players were smarting after the defeat by Stockport, but clamouring once more to be given the chance to persevere with Ramsey's new-style formation.

Chiltern of the Luton News commented at the time that the formation was less important than the ability to score goals. Rivers, he said, was not the answer, Rioch had been too inconsistent, and winger David Pleat had "a very ordinary game" against Stockport.

The team in that match was: Read; Thomson; Jardine; Slough; Riddick; Moore; Pleat; French; Rioch; King. Sub: Thear.  
Attendance: 5,887

