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IN CHARGE TODAY

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Alfred Grey commenced refereeing in Norfolk in 1960 and via the Football Combination qualified for the Football League full list in 1972. Was an FA Cup Final and European Cup semi-final linesman 1972, and an FA Amateur Cup official in 1972. Refereed the FA Youth Cup Final in 1977 and the FA Trophy Final in 1978. Appointed to the FIFA panel in 1977. A married man, with two sons, he is Production Superintendent for a frozen food company. Apart from interests in gardening, tennis and cricket, collects coins and is a chorister in his local parish church.



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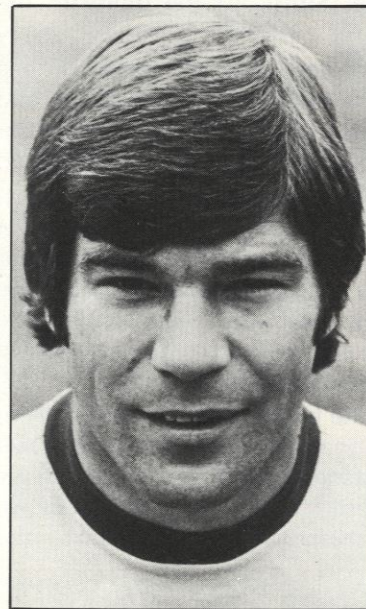
One fan's personal view of some of the stars who have played for Luton Town. By BRIAN SWAIN

Of all the sights and sounds of football, nothing for spectators is more satisfying than the basic objectives of the game — a ball hitting the back of the net, preferably with considerable power and accuracy.

Goalkeepers can fill a career with consistent reliability and outstanding ability, yet the man we all want to see succeed more than any other is our team's number nine.

I missed seeing Joe Payne in action, and the first Luton Town centre-forward I idolised was Hughie Billington. Later I marvelled at the touch and skill of Jesse Pye, and I also had the good fortune to see Ron Davies at his best when he was a Town player.

MALCOLM MACDONALD



All have their right to a place in this column, but I suspect that for years to come I shall remember most the all too brief Luton Town career of Malcolm Macdonald.

I don't think any other Luton player has given so much pleasure to supporters through sheer basic power, speed and explosive finishing. I count myself lucky to have been around to see it.

It hardly seems possible that he had only two seasons at Kenilworth Road. He was a 19 year old left back when Harry Haslam brought him to Luton in the summer of 1969 for a fee of £17,500 from Fulham.

But he had also operated as a centre-forward on occasion, and in ten games for the Londoners had scored five goals. That average of a goal every other game was to be kept up for the rest of his career, and football was the loser when a knee injury forced him to retire at the age of 29.

I don't suppose any readers of this column need telling about Macdonald's supreme abilities. At Luton he scored so many memorable goals that you could argue for ever as to which was the best.

My outstanding memory was of a hat-trick at Sheffield Wednesday, with one goal from the left foot, one from the right and the other with a header.

Among many other incidents when Macdonald rendered Luton Town considerable service was a cup-tie against Nottingham Forest. The Town were losing and in danger of getting a roasting when Macdonald powered in on goal in the 15th minute and smashed the goalpost.

There was a long stoppage while it was repaired, and the delay halted Forest's smoothness and gave the Town time to catch their breath. They earned a draw, although Forest had the last word by winning a cracking replay at Kenilworth Road 4-3.

Some years later I felt like weeping for Supermac in another FA Cup contest, when he went to Wembley with Newcastle United and walked off a loser.

Luton sold him to Newcastle for £185,000 in May 1971 for the usual Luton reasons . . . they needed the money. Mac became a folk hero on Tyneside but moved on five years later to Arsenal for £333,333.

His career record tells the story of a remarkable talent for scoring goals. At Luton, in the Third and Second Divisions, he made 88 League appearances and scored 49 goals.

At Newcastle 187 League games in the First Division yielded 95 goals, and his three-year spell at Arsenal, with injuries becoming an increasing problem, produced 42 goals in 84 League games.

Just for good measure, he hit all five when England hammered Cyprus at Wembley, and his failure to become a regular international is still one of life's mysteries to me.

But more than anything else I remember Malcolm Macdonald as a thoroughly nice bloke. He coped with fame easily and sensibly, and it's always a pleasure to see him back here on his old stamping ground when he visits Luton in his capacity as manager of Fulham.

He's done pretty well for a full-back they gave away for chicken-feed 13 years ago!

DAVID'S DIARY



Today's game takes on extra significance in view of Blackburn's convincing recent results and our own difficulties in reproducing a good winning performance.

After today's game, we have a further six home games and four away fixtures. We feel we have the games to gain the results which will ensure a coveted First Division place, but this season has proved that nothing is easy.

The players and staff have been magnificent and everyone must continue to give every ounce of effort as we seek vital victories. When I look at the League table and compare the attendance figures, transfer fees paid and salaries of staff at other Second Division clubs, it makes me proud to see Luton Town FC riding high and attempting to play entertaining football at all times.

The days preceding the transfer deadline were possibly the most hectic I have experienced. A deal involving Godfrey Ingram to the NASL club, San Jose, was in some doubt. Mark Aizlewood was sidelined with a stomach injury, and Lil Fucillo was not yet fit enough for consideration. Also, Mick Saxby had heard he would be unlikely to kick a ball this season. Action was needed to consolidate the team and add vital competition in the remaining weeks.

I was more than delighted when Bob Paisley allowed the talented Richard Money to join us from Liverpool. His performance at Derby, allied to a fine technique and attitude, augurs well for the future. We wish Richard every success and we hope the association will be cemented with a permanent transfer.

Billy Jennings, one of the best finishers in the Football League during the past nine seasons, also joined us. I am convinced our service from

defence and midfield will be to Billy's liking and he will continue to score valuable goals. The addition of Billy to our staff does not mean that we have lost faith in any way with the youngsters Frank Bunn and Michael Small. At the moment, experience is called for.

Also, Wayne Turner, now a mature 21, has returned from Lincoln City where his ability and determination helped them to catapult to the top of the Third Division. Wayne can now add valuable assistance to our promotion push.

I read with interest Graham Taylor's comments on the Vicarage Road crowd after they had displaced us at the top with a win over Bolton. He stated that they had not appreciated the significance of the achievement in terms of terrace cheers. I understood his view.

We have been the leaders in the entertainment league, the Pepsi goalscoring charts and the Division for all the season. Now is the time when we need all the support, cheering and confidence we can muster from the crowd. Lift the team — the goal is worth it.

Enjoy today's game.

COLOUR SHOT



One man and his dog . . . Jake Findlay, still pushing his claims for Scottish international recognition, knows a bit about canine things as well as goalkeeping. His dog keeps him active when he's not training. 'It helps with the exercise,' said Jake, pictured in his garden at home.

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ODD HAPPENINGS

Goalkeepers are rarely caught more than a few yards from their goal-lines in the normal course of a match. No manager is very happy if the ball sails into an unattended goal and, if a goalkeeper does happen to be off his line, he tries to make sure that he clears the ball far enough for it to be impossible for him to be caught out of position by a surprise shot.

Yet, just occasionally — over the years, a speculative shot from a player's own half has caught out the goalkeeper who thought that he had the ball comfortably covered. One such occasion was a fourth round FA Cup-tie at Norwich in February 1966. Third Division Walsall were then leading the Canaries from Division Two 2-1 and with the minutes ticking away the Midlanders looked quite capable of pulling off a shock result.

Allan Clarke, now manager of Leeds, had been off the field for treatment but was back in the fray alongside George Kirby, another future manager, in the Walsall front line, which in general was looking at least as effective as that of Norwich, who fielded Welsh international Ron Davies.

It was after Walsall goalkeeper Terry Carling had beaten Ron to the ball in the air that this particular odd happening occurred. Terry punched the ball

cleanly as both players went up for it and although he had cleared it almost to the edge of the penalty area, he ran from goal to attempt to complete the clearance. It was probably the excitement of being so close to a place in the fifth round of the FA Cup for the first time in his career that caused him to try such a daring venture.

It seemed that fortune had favoured the brave when he made contact with the ball near the edge of the penalty area and sent it sailing almost to the halfway line. Unfortunately for him it landed right at the feet of Joe Mallett, the Norwich fullback, and he tried something even more ambitious than Carling's second punch.

He swung his foot to meet the ball on the volley, probably intending to set up another Norwich attack, but he needn't have worried. The ball arched perfectly as Carling scrambled back towards goal and fell just under the bar to put the Canaries level.

Almost immediately they got the winner but players and fans alike agreed afterwards that but for Mallett's freak effort this third goal would almost certainly not have come about. But it is odd incidents such as this which so often settle close-fought FA Cup-ties.

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**SPOTLIGHT
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SPOTLIGHT

Those Luton supporters who travelled to Derby last Saturday could not fail to have been impressed with the performance by Wayne Turner from midfield.

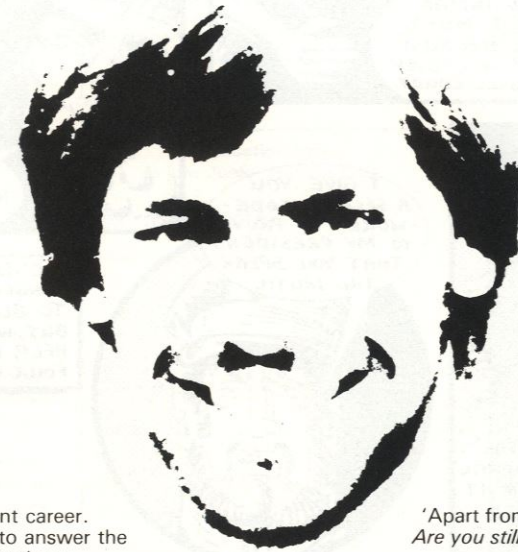
First team chances for Wayne at Kenilworth Road have been few and far between and David Pleat allowed him to move to Lincoln City earlier this season on loan.

The manager argued that, if Turner could not gain valuable first team experience with the Town, he was prepared to give him the temporary chance to obtain it elsewhere. Mr Pleat's decision paid handsome dividends because, when Turner switched to midfield last week, Wayne gave an impeccable display. Wayne has made only seven first team appearances in a first team shirt after signing for the Town straight from school.

He's a local youngster who is thirsty for success and, if his contribution at Derby was any indication, he looks set for a decent career.

This afternoon, we asked Wayne to answer the questions in this week's Spotlight column.

How did you like your recent spell with Lincoln City?



'It was a great experience for me. I saw how another club was run and they treated me very well. To play 24 successive first team games and to be successful was just magnificent.'

I now feel a first team player. How do you feel the standard of football compares with the Second Division?

'The emphasis on going straight for goal is stronger in the Third and they play not so much pretty, pretty stuff. Also the forwards are quicker and sharper in the Second. The game I played in at Crystal Palace was easy for me because I was playing with better players.'

What school did you attend in Luton?

'I went to Ferrars infants and junior school in Leagrave High Street and later went to Challney High School.'

How were you noticed by Luton Town?

By playing for Luton Schools under Dave Moreton.'

Have you any ground that you really wish to play on?

'Apart from Chaul End, the other is Wembley!' *Are you still involved in coaching with a club on Sunday mornings?*

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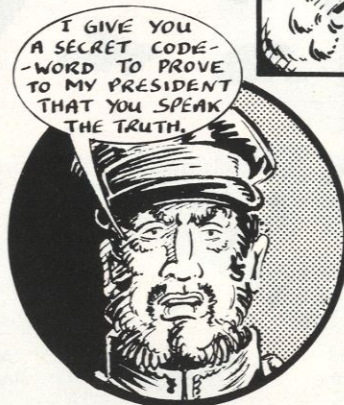
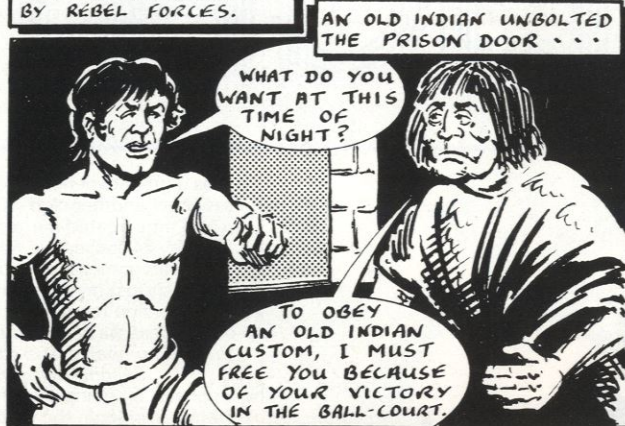
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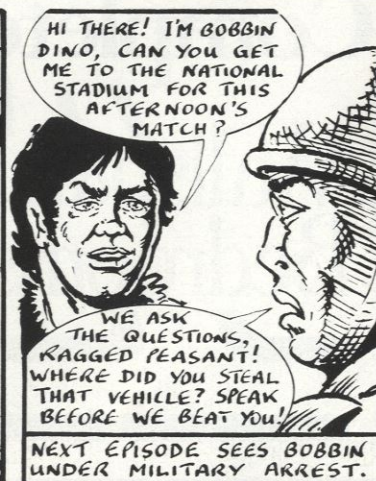
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JUNIOR HATTERS



After our successful visit to Derby County as guests of the Junior Rams last week with a party of Junior Hatters and mums and dads, a very warm welcome is extended to our Junior Rovers guests from Blackburn today.

We at Luton Town are very pleased to have the opportunity to forge yet another link with our friends in sport from other League clubs and sincerely hope that our visitors are enjoying their day with us, especially the 'five-a-side' matches arranged for this morning between teams of Junior Hatters and Junior Rovers at Challney Boys High School. Our grateful thanks to the Headmaster, Mr S. H. Hamilton-Fox, for use of the sports hall.

Our own five-a-side competitions are under way once more and the second session takes place at Marsh House, Leagrave next Monday at 6.30 p.m. More news on that soon.

MASCOTS AND ESCORTS

Good luck to our Mascot and Escorts for today's game, drawn from our Junior Hatters membership as follows:

Mascot: Peter Lacey, aged 10 lives at Sowerby Avenue, Luton. He is a pupil at Someries School, plays in one of his school teams, and is interested in football and darts.

Escorts: Paul Lupton of Lonsdale Close, Luton. Paul is 12 and attends Icknield High School. He represents his school and Limbury Boys at football, and likes collecting stamps and coins.

Paul Milner lives at Shackleton Springs, Stevenage. Aged 12, he is a pupil at Heathcote School, Stevenage. He enjoys playing all sports, and plays for Stevenage Colts.

Spencer Coomes of London Road, Dunstable. Spencer is 10 and attends Streetfield Middle School, where he represents his school in the first year football team, and also enjoys basketball.

Thomas Campbell of Milton Road, Luton. Thomas is 11 and is a pupil at St. Margarets of

Scotland Junior School, which he represents at football. He also plays for Celtic St Margarets football team and is keen on snooker and art.

Best wishes also to **Mark Murphy** who is representing Junior Rovers as Mascot for Blackburn Rovers today. Mark is 12-years-old - he attends the Edmund Arrowsmith School in Blackburn, Lancs, and is captain of the school football team. He likes all sport and his favourite Blackburn player is Derek Fazackerley.

THE MASCOT ...



PETER LACEY

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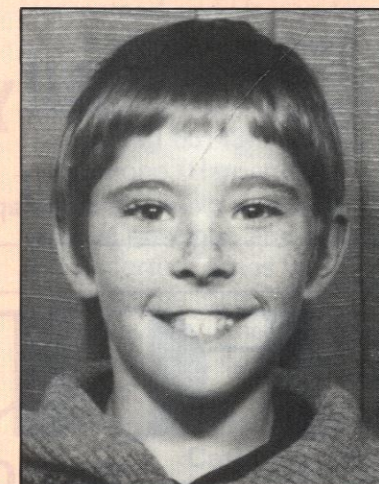
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On Saturday 24th April, we travel to Rotherham.

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When booking, don't forget to quote your membership number, and for those of you who are not yet members, there is still time to join.

Further details of the concessionary fares for the remaining two away games to Cardiff and Chelsea will be published in these notes in the next home matchday magazine.

We had a record number of coaches — eight — travelling to Selhurst Park, and reports indicate that the behaviour of the vast majority is of a good standard. But as the season draws to a close, we must

constantly remind ourselves that we are supporters of a club with a good name and record, and this means we all have a high standard to maintain.

I had hoped to be able to announce the commencement of the 'In' service from Hemel Hempstead and Harpenden, but details have not been finalised in time for these notes. Mr Moskal (Hemel Hempstead 65143) and Mr Winterbone (Harpenden 61863) will have details as soon as possible, and routes and departure times will appear in the local Press. If you haven't joined us on our travels yet, why not start with a short trip to Cambridge on 10th April?

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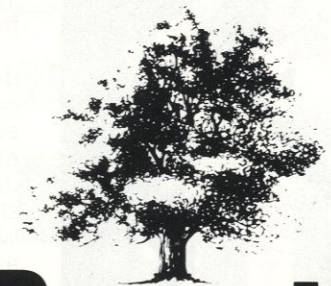
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FLASHBACK

A look at Luton Town a decade ago.

By **BRIAN SWAIN**
Sports Editor, *Luton News*

The speed with which football can build a man into a hero, then knock him flat again, provided one of the highlights of the season at Kenilworth Road 10 years ago this weekend.

It was Easter, and as any Town supporter could tell you, a time when the Hatters traditionally threw away any promotion chances they might have. It was also a time when barny results followed each other with astonishing rapidity all over the country.

The weekend started off well for the Town. They had no hope of promotion, and not much fear of relegation, but felt they needed three or four points from the three Easter games to be completely safe.

STUART PEARSON



On Good Friday, 30th March 1972, they went to Ayresome Park, where Stan Anderson was building a side good enough to give Jack Charlton a marvellous managerial start a year or two later.

Nobby Stiles had just been signed from Manchester United, but the Town did well to bore a crowd of 11,720 in a 0-0 draw.

The following day Sheffield Wednesday were the visitors for a match which will be long remembered by the 9,121 who saw it.

On a wet and slippery pitch, John Ryan's defensive mistake let in Brian Joicey to give Wednesday the lead in the 11th minute. The home fans got more and more disgruntled as the minutes ticked by.

Wednesday, managed by Derek Dooley, were desperate for success. Relegated from the First Division two years previously, they smarted in the knowledge that they had become the poor relations of Sheffield.

Wednesday's gates had slumped to an average of around 12,000 while at Bramall Lane Sheffield United were going well in the First Division in front of 40,000 and more.

But at Kenilworth Road that day Luton Town looked the poor relations. The team fumbled its way through an hour-long display of ineptness after Joicey's goal, and the jeers and slow handclaps competed only with the sound of shuffling feet as fed-up customers headed for the exits.

Then came the amazing transformation. Vic Halom, jeered as much as anyone, and with no hope of replacing

Malcolm Macdonald in Luton affections, followed up as Peter Anderson shot for goal, and put the Town level from a half-clearance.

The voices that had castigated Halom for so long suddenly decided that the man they had called a donkey was a thoroughbred after all. In the 85th minute the ground erupted as Halom scored his second, with a header from a corner by David Court, and two minutes later the big centre-forward was everybody's favourite player as he completed a remarkable 11-minute hat-trick with a crisp shot from a pass by Viv Busby.

Probably some of us read too much significance into the fact that it was the first Luton Town hat-trick for a year, since Malcolm Macdonald's in his last appearance for the club, against Cardiff.

At long last, we thought in our innocence, Luton Town were on the goal standard again. And for the third Easter match, at home to lowly Hull City three days later, the attendance rose by a few hundred to see a visiting side which included Terry Neill as player-manager and Stuart Pearson at centre-forward.

Saturday's heroes were cheered onto the pitch . . . Vic Halom was lauded every time he went for the ball . . . and the game was an utter shambles. It was kick and rush, with each side making elementary mistakes.

Ken Knighton, now the Orient manager, scored the only goal in the 57th minute. And once more the ground rang to the sounds of jeering and bar-racking, even for hat-trick hero Vic Halom.

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To present our STAR PRIZE, we have pleasure in welcoming Silvair's managing director, Mr Hugh Boyle, and commercial director, Tony Baltierrez. In addition, we are also offering a black and white portable TV for a winning line on top house bingo, and a £10 voucher

for our souvenir shop is the prize for those with a Rotherham winning line in the bottom house.

Today also sees the second heat of our target golf competition. The contestants are Mr N. Essem, Mr S. White and Mr B. Palmer. There is still time for you to join in the fun and enter the target golf. Remember, every heat winner receives a prize whilst our champion receives over £400 worth of golfing equipment which has been kindly donated by Slazenger via local sports outfitters, Bernards World of Sport, Arndale Centre, Luton. Finally, we are still waiting bingo claims winners from the following games:

Oldham: 71, 69, 15, 23, 82, 51, 27, 3, 35, 45.
Cambridge: 65, 71, 23, 58, 6, 82, 45, 42, 35, 13.
Wrexham: 35, 13, 6, 23, 42, 71, 45, 65, 82, 58.

CROSSWORD

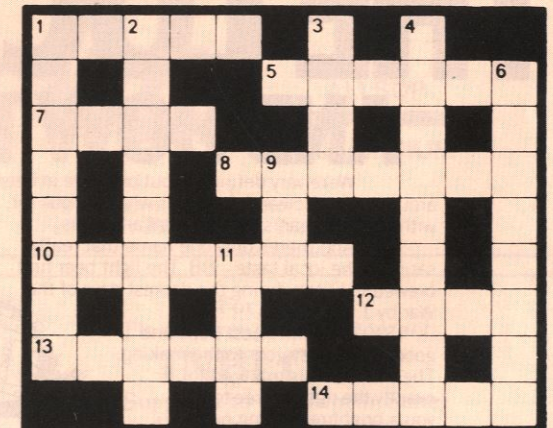
CLUES — Across:

1 & 5. Midfielder who played his 200th League game towards the end of last season whilst with Swindon and subsequently rejoined his first club, Portsmouth (5,6); 7. Surname of the Roy of the Rovers (4); 8. One of England's million-pound men (7); 10. Not the thing to show the referee! (7); 12. Brentford's nickname (4); 13. Popular, small centre-forward who spent his whole career with Hamburg and was for a while West Germany's caps and goals record-holder (6); 14. _____ Park is where Stranraer are (5).

CLUES — Down:

1. Former Manchester City and Aston Villa midfielder who went to Wrexham in 1979 (8); 2. In 1970 (their first season) _____ Lancers ended as NASL Champions . . . in 1980 they just ended! (9); 3. Formerly with Luton, he played his 100th League game for Lincoln this season (4); 4. Irish League club which won the Irish Cup and the Ulster Cup last season (9); 6. One who reports on the referee (8); 9. _____ Pearson has played for Plymouth, Millwall and Exeter (3); 11. Forward who completed a ton of turn-outs for Wolves this season (4).

● Check your answers on page 20.



AROUND THE TOWN

CHEERS DOUG

Doug Lygo, a former chief executive and general secretary at Luton Town, has branched out into the pub business and is taking over a free house, the Crown and Sceptre, at Bridens Camp, Hemel Hempstead.

His partner in the venture is our current chairman, Denis Mortimer, who has various business interests including transport companies at Hemel Hempstead and Milton Keynes.

Doug will start pulling pints officially when he takes the license on Wednesday.

The Crown and Sceptre is a well known pub in the area and specialises in real ale and good food.

Doug said: 'I have always been interested in running a good pub and, when this one was available on the market, Denis agreed to back me.'

'Many well known personalities use the pub and I hope to see many old friends when I move in with my wife Hilda next week.'

Doug hopes that at least two of our players will attend the opening

ceremony next Wednesday evening when he opens the doors.

He still takes an active interest in the Hatters and watches as many first team games as he can.

WELCOME RICHARD

You will all by now know that Liverpool's experienced defender Richard Money has joined us on a month's loan which could be extended until the end of the season.

Manager David Pleat signed Richard only hours before the transfer deadline on 25th March and will decide whether to make the deal permanent later in the season.

Before joining Liverpool, Richard was with Fulham and Scunthorpe. We hope he enjoys his stay with us at a vital part of the season.

The arrival of Richard didn't signal the end of the manager's deadline signing because, later in the day, Billy Jennings joined us from Orient on a free transfer.

Billy has a high scoring record in the Football League and his output no doubt influenced our manager's decision to sign him.

BEHIND THE SCENES

You can't beat a good cuppa for the mid-morning break when there's a hundred and one things to do around the stadium.

Our little mini army of ground-staff find plenty to do during the day in addition to their many duties on match afternoons.

We caught them enjoying the traditional cup of tea in the boiler room. Pictured left to right are: Martin Hyde, groundsman Dick Wassall, Fred Bunyan, Alf Mayhew and Fred Andrews.



CALLING ROVERS' FANS

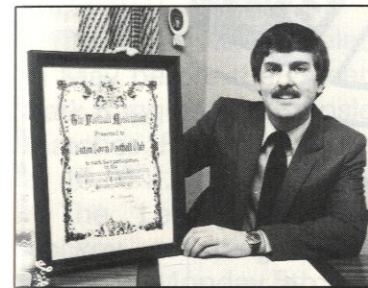
We have been asked by the London Branch of the Blackburn Rovers

Supporters Club to ask potential fans to contact Allan Fell, 2 Parsons Mead, West Croydon CR0 3SL if they are interested in joining.

FA RECOGNITION

The Football Association have decided to present all clubs who took part in last season's FA Cup with a special inscribed plaque to celebrate the competition's 100th birthday.

We were proud to receive ours which is being displayed by our general secretary Graham MacKrell.



FOLLOW THE ACTION

Our first team have no match on Easter Friday but, a week today, make the short trip to the Abbey Stadium to meet our near neighbours at Cambridge.

After that, we are involved in three home games as we reach the climax of an exciting season. On Easter Monday we are at home to Norwich City before meeting Newcastle United at Kenilworth Road two weeks this afternoon. The following Tuesday evening (7.45), Chelsea provide the opposition.

We sincerely hope you will take the opportunity of cheering David Pleat's battling players towards the First Division.

MEET THE STARS

There are occasionally the times when fans manage to travel to Kenilworth Road to meet their

favourite players. And we regard it as valuable public relations exercises as we strive to forge new links between the club and potential supporters.

All our players have recently been out and about to various functions where they have presented prizes. But it is impossible for us to accept all the invitations we receive and we hope local organisations will understand if we have to reject your request.



This happy family, however, can be excused for smiling when they managed to get an introduction to midfielder Ricky Hill recently.

THE LOCAL TASTE AND HOW TO SATISFY IT

We're very definite about our taste in beer around here. A clear light pint is what we look for, with a good, clean smack of malt and hops.

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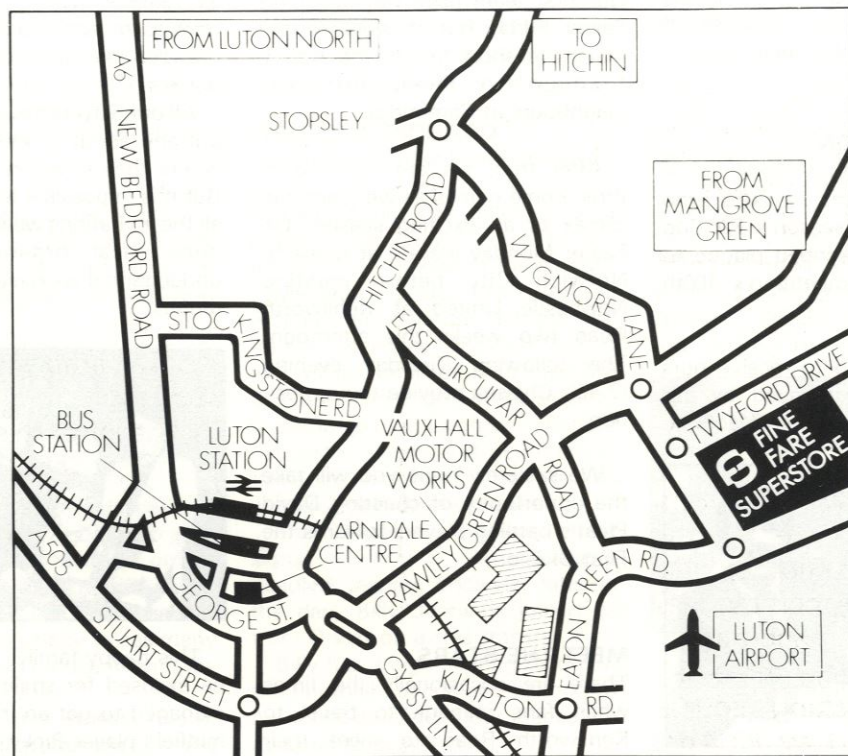
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LUTON LEISURE

The finals of the Chiltern Radio (Luton Town) five-a-side 1981-82 tournament took place last Wednesday and the presentation will take place next Thursday at the Hatters Club. Full details will appear in the next matchday magazine.

There is a chance to start watching cricket next Tuesday and Thursday, at the Regional Sports Centre, Luton, when the Bregreen Junior seven-a-side cricket championships start.

The finals will take place in May before the Queens Park Rangers and Barnsley matches. Play commences at 10.00 a.m. each day.

The Leader three-day hockey coaching course starts on Monday 5th April 1982. If you are interested and there are any places left ring Luton 56879 as soon as possible.

The Evening Post-Echo three-day football coaching course also starts on Tuesday 13th April 1982, please ring the above number if you are interested.

If you want to learn how to swim, there are two nine-day courses over Easter at the Swimming

Pool at Bath Road. The price is only £6.

So you think you are a Superstar! Well here is your chance to prove it, because on Wednesday 7th April, the 1982 Junior Superstars will take place for the Under-11s and 16-year-olds. Competition is open to boys and girls, and admission is only 50p and 35p for spectators.

**The weekly look
at the leisure
scene at the
various sports
centres in and
around Luton.**

Also starting on Monday 5th April at Hightown Recreation Centre is a badminton course for 11 to 16-year-olds. Cost is £1.75 for four days or 50p per day.

The highly successful Hatters Community Junior Netball League will once again be taking place this year for all scratch, street, area, school and established club teams, further details are:

9 to 11 years
(under-11 on 31.8.81)

11 to 13 years
(under-13 on 31.8.81)
13 to 15 years
(under-15 on 31.8.81)

Venue:
Regional Sports Centre,
St Thomas's Road,
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Dates:
Evening Post-Echo League
on Thursday 22nd July
1982, C & A League
Knockout Cups, Thursday
9th September 1982.

Cost:
£6 entrance fee per team
(nine players) 30p per
player. Thereafter up to a
maximum of 14 players,
70p a team per match.

Closing date:
24th April 1982.

It is important that an adult aged 18 and over must be present with a team. One adult may be responsible for two teams.

Ideas and opinions are very important. If you have any, please let us know. Also, if you wish for more details of any of the above mentioned courses, please write to:

Mike Iacono
Marsh House Centre
Bramingham Road
Leagrave
Luton, Beds.
(Luton 56879)

IN RETROSPECT

LUTON TOWN v BLACKBURN ROVERS

DIVISION TWO

1937-38	4 - 1 (h)	2 - 2 (a)
1938-39	1 - 1 (h)	0 - 2 (a)
1948-49	2 - 0 (h)	1 - 4 (a)
1949-50	5 - 2 (h)	0 - 0 (a)
1950-51	1 - 1 (h)	0 - 1 (a)
1951-52	1 - 1 (h)	1 - 2 (a)
1952-53	6 - 0 (h)	1 - 1 (a)
1953-54	2 - 1 (h)	0 - 2 (a)
1954-55	7 - 3 (h)	0 - 0 (a)

DIVISION ONE

1958-59	1 - 1 (h)	1 - 3 (a)
1959-60	1 - 1 (h)	2 - 0 (a)

DIVISION TWO

1970-71	Luton 2 (Givens, MacDonald) Blackburn 0 Blackburn 1 (Russell) Luton 0
1975-76	Blackburn 3 (Parkes, Waddington, Beamish) Luton 0 Luton 1 (Husband) Blackburn 1 (Kenyon)
1976-77	Luton 2 (Geddis, Fitcher, R.) Blackburn 0 Blackburn 1 (Silvester) Luton 0
1977-78	Blackburn 2 (Round, Brotherston) Luton 0 Luton 0 Blackburn 0
1978-79	Luton 2 (West, Turner) Blackburn 1 (Garner) Blackburn 0 Luton 0
1980-81	Luton 3 (Price, Hill, Moss) Blackburn 1 (Burke) Blackburn 3 (Garner 2, Stonehouse) Luton 0
1981-82	Blackburn 0 Luton 1 (Moss pen)

Teams for last game here, 7th February 1981
LUTON TOWN: Findlay, Stephens, Donaghy, Grealish, West, Price, Hill, Stein, Ingram, Aizlewood, Moss.
BLACKBURN: Arnold, Branagan, Rathbone, Kendall, Keeley, Fazackerley (Stonehouse), Brotherston, Garner, Lowey, Burke, Speight.
Attendance: 9,350

CROSSWORD SOLUTIONS

Across: 165. Chris Kamara; 7. Race; 8. Brites; 10. dissent; 12. Bees; 13. Seeler; 14. Stair.
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JOHN'S JOURNAL



I recently attended a meeting at Lancaster Gate, with David Coates and John Moore, called by the England Youth team manager John Cartwright to discuss various items on Youth football and, in particular the South East Counties League.

Subjects such as coaching in schools and the qualifications of those people who do the coaching; young players not having enough skills; are youngsters becoming stereo type players; are the young players getting too much football, and many other items were discussed.

The majority will be brought up at the South East Counties annual general meeting in June. This looks like being a lively meeting and one I am looking forward to.

Another meeting, this time called by the Football Combination in early April, is to find out whether, next season, all matches will be played in mid-week

rather than on a Saturday.

I have spoken to many secretaries and managers on this subject and the feeling I receive is that most clubs want to play mid-week. This could cause a problem as far as referees and linesmen are concerned because if as some clubs do want to play in the afternoons, many of the match officials will not be able to have time off from work.

To play these matches in the afternoons will save clubs much money. Money will not have to be found for floodlighting, gatemen, tea bar personnel, VAT, etc. Supporters, I imagine, will be let in free for these matches, so the only expense will be for the referee and linesmen and, if they can be found locally, it will cost even less.

To illustrate the club finances for a Reserve match, let us take our match against Plymouth Argyle. Only 193 people watched the game — of which 150 were season ticket holders, leaving 43

paying customers at 50p each. Total gate receipts were £21.50 and the referee and linesmen's fees and expenses totalled £95.

VAT and gatemen totalled another £14.80 so, in fact, we had a loss on the day of £88.30. That doesn't sound much but, taking this match as an average and multiply it by the number of home matches (21), it then makes a loss of £1,854.30 over a season. No club can afford that.

To add to that cost is floodlighting for evening matches so the total goes well over the £2,000 mark for the season. I believe that is a good argument for playing mid-week next season.

**John Wilkinson
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CENTURY CLUB

Today's game against Blackburn Rovers sees us drawing steadily nearer to the end of the season. But it is nice to know that the majority of the games still to be played are at home.

The manager and players are faced with a strenuous few weeks as they play not only the scheduled games, but fit in the matches which fell victim to our arctic winter. Our best wishes to them as they begin their task.

It seems a long time since some of us travelled to

Blackburn, and we extend a welcome to them as they visit us today.

During the last few weeks, it has been nice to see an increasing number of Century Club members travelling to away games to support our team. We shall be running an executive coach to Rotherham on Saturday 24th April. Some regular travellers on our Executive 'Away Days' have already booked, and names and deposit may be given to Catherine Ball or Stuart Allsop today.

Don't forget to send in your replies to the annual ball letter as soon as possible. This should be an especially good evening this year!

The popularity of the Century Club increases season by season, with a constant increase in the aid we are able to give to the parent club. But the committee would ask members to observe the rules governing the admission of friends and guests more strictly. Copy of the rules can be found in the porch, or by reference to a committee member.

MATCH SPONSOR

The Hatters are not the only potential First Division class team in Luton now — another top grade outfit have moved into Wigmore Lane this week with Ron Hall as manager.

Ron is in charge of the new Fine Fare superstore, which opened on Tuesday in the Stopsley area. His team have brought first class shopping to the town.

The new store will be in the First Division of shopping facilities. Wide aisles and colourful murals of mouth-watering fresh foods create a top class atmosphere.

The best range of groceries, a bakery with bread and cakes freshly baked, butchers shop, fresh fruit and vegetables, a delicatessen, fresh fish, wines and spirits and frozen food — are all at the lowest prices.

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So now, when First Division football comes to the town there will already be top grade shopping facilities at Wigmore Lane.

BLACKBURN THROUGH THE YEARS

● Blackburn Rovers played a record total of successive FA Cup-ties without defeat between December 1883 and December 1885.

During this time they played a total of 24 games and won the trophy three times. In both 1884 and 1885 they beat Scottish club Queens Park in the final.

● In the early 1900s a player named **J. Blackburn** played a number of games for Blackburn Rovers.

● **John Roscamp** scored in the first minute of the 1928 FA Cup Final against Huddersfield Town to set Blackburn on the way to a 3-1 win.

● In 1929-30 winger **Arthur Cunliffe** scored in each of his

first five games for Blackburn Rovers.

● In the latter part of 1935-36 Blackburn Rovers fielded no fewer than five different goalkeepers as they slipped towards relegation to Division Two for the first time.

● Bristol Rovers were leading 3-2 at half-time on their first visit to Ewood Park on 5th February 1955, but finally went down 8-3 with **Tommy Briggs** netting all six goals in the second half to extend his match tally to seven.

● Blackburn Rovers played one of the last two Christmas Day League games when meeting Blackpool in 1959, the other game on the same day being between Accrington and Chesterfield.

● **Fred Pickering** became their only player in the last 20 years to score a hat-trick on his international debut when he did so for England against the USA in May 1964.

● Blackburn lost 30 of their 42 First Division games when suffering relegation in 1965-66. Yet in the course of eight wins they beat Northampton 6-1 and Nottingham Forest 5-0 at home and Burnley 4-1 and Nottingham Forest 3-0 away.

INSIDE VIEW

Soccer in safety and comfort. That was the ambitious plan of Coventry City when they decided to convert their Highfield Road ground into England's first all-seater stadium at the start of this season.

'We believe it is the only positive way to beat hooliganism and attract families back to football' said chairman Jimmy Hill as the club launched their revolutionary plans.

So all the terracing disappeared to be replaced by individual tip-up seats with the ground capacity cut from 37,000 to 20,500. And, as an added deterrent to the hooligan fringe and visiting fans, a minimum price of £5 was imposed on rival supporters. This minimum price also applied for any tickets actually bought on the day of the match and for the more attractive games it increased to £6.

What Coventry hoped for was to fill the ground with their own supporters and, in an attempt to achieve this, they offered attractive and cheap methods of buying season tickets and also enlisted the help of travel agents in the area to sell matchday tickets at normal prices until Friday night.

Substantial publicity and advertising produced a season ticket sale of 8,000.

And it also became clear that many fans habits needed to be changed if match tickets were to be bought in advance as they do in America.

Many spectators complained about the departure of the terraces where they had stood for years and felt the club should have taken a referendum among supporters before making the decision.

So a genuine attempt to make life pleasanter for the paying customer was given a mixed reception — and it has continued in that way

throughout the season so far.

The club, of course, are still learning as they go along and a variety of problems have cropped up which they are striving to resolve.

For the majority of matches the ground has been trouble-free with very few visiting fans prepared to pay the price charged by Coventry even though it does provide them with a prime position in the ground — and under cover.

Many of the seats however are not under cover. These are the

cheaper ones at £2 which were built on the old terrace areas. It is perhaps significant that these are the least popular even though they are the cheapest. It seems clear that the average fan wants to be under cover if he is to sit down. If not he would prefer to stand.

Difficulties such as stewarding where, unlike the cinema or theatre, stewards in a football ground cannot show the customer to their particular seat.

There are too many people and not enough stewards. So if fans arriving only 10 minutes or so before kick-off struggle to find the seat they have bought for that match it can lead to congestion and confusion.

There have only been two games this season where hooliganism has raised its ugly head. In the League match against Leeds and the FA Cup-tie against Oxford, visiting fans refused to sit down, causing trouble and damage.

However, it is easier for the police to spot the trouble makers but no easier to get to them, because they have to clamber over seats and past other fans who are not necessarily part of the disturbance.

So there is yet no real evidence that the all-seater stadium has improved attendances for Coventry. They are averaging around 13,000. But when the ground is full, the financial rewards are good and record receipts for a League game were established for the match against Manchester United and record Cup receipts of more than £60,000 collected from the Oxford tie. Generally receipts are up.

But filling the ground regularly is a problem all clubs face including Coventry. Providing seats is clearly only a small part of the answer.



Our executive director John Smith is always conscious of the rapidly changing soccer trends as some clubs continuously struggle to keep pace with inflation and the loss of supporters on the terraces.

Mr Smith continually monitors the progress of other clubs and, this afternoon, we look at Coventry City's introduction of England's first all-seater stadium.

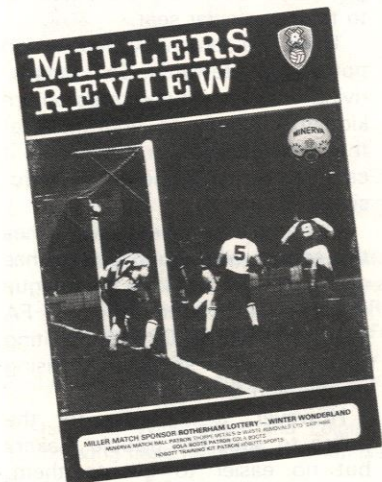
PROGRAMME CORNER

By JOHN FARMER

'Square' was a term very much in the teenage idiom of the late 50s and early 60s, meaning 'rather stiff and out of touch with contemporary trends'.

It may be rather harsh to suggest that our match programme of that era answered to that particular definition, but it was as near to the literal sense of the word as any programme has ever been.

It measured, in fact, just over six inches long and just over five inches wide. There were, of course, no



colour photographs in those days and very little in black and white. In one issue before us, the only actual photographs, in fact are contained in advertisements, one of them extolling the products of a sports outfitters run by two of our former players, Wally Shanks and the late Gordon Turner.

The cost of four old pence (or one twenty-fifth of today's luxurious issue, may suggest, however, that it did present value for money. Of its 12 pages the equivalent of four were given over to advertisements and most of the information provided was contained in one 'umbrella' article labelled 'Club Notes'

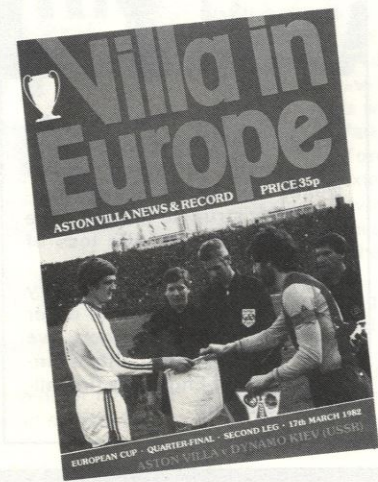
This spoke of recent results both first team and reserves, introduced



the visitors with a potted history and then extolled the merits both of the youth team which had enjoyed a good win on the previous Saturday and of a Luton Schoolboys team which would be playing at Kenilworth Road on the following Saturday.

Sandwiched between this encouragement of young footballers was a welcome to young musicians, namely the Luton Youth Band that was giving its first public performance before the game that afternoon.

Precious space seems to have been used rather extravagantly in



devoting a whole page to the Second Division results up to that stage on a chart and in using almost the whole of a page in tabulating players' appearances and goalscorers for the season to date.

The 1962-63 season saw us plunging to relegation from Division Two and though scorers were rather sparse (only Gordon Turner had got as many as five goals by November) some 32 players had been used in either first team or reserves up to then.



The fact that local radio had not taken hold by then and that transistors were still in their infancy is reflected by the space given to a half-time code. Our board of those days extended from A to N and so three separate lists are given to cover the first three Divisions and the first few games in Division Four plus our reserve game.

Teams were of course listed in 1,2,3,5 formations and on the particular programme currently before us our line-up read:

Baynham, McNally, Bramwell, Morton, Pacey, Groves, Walden, McKechnie, Davies, McGuffie, Jardine.

The game incidentally was against Walsall and we recorded our highest score of the season in a 4-3 victory.



SHOP WINDOW



Today, we announce yet another new lottery operation to add to the following established successful Magnificent Seven, Super Six, Liquid Gold, Roll-up, Celebrate, EHDC, Rubic Cube, MCCC, and Milton Keynes Central which are all current brand names.

This latest lottery is named Cash and Car. All prizes are instant and the top prize is a new car, supported by 16,000 cash prizes, giving a winning ratio of one in five.

We love instant winners, and the excitement which is generated by so much hap-

piness. The total prizes amount to £10,000 in each lottery, which will be fortnightly, to start with, and eventually, weekly.

Our army of agents now have the choice of eight separate lotteries to sell to their customers, each one designed to satisfy the gambling instincts of everyone.

There are very few refusals, which helps to generate good healthy income for the Hatters as well as excellent commission and prize bonuses for our agents.

Why not become a lottery agent? You earn 10 per cent commission plus 10 per cent

prize bonus on all sales. The lottery tickets are issued on a sale or return basis, with nothing for you to pay out up front.

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ACTION

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Above: Ex-Hatter Steve Buckley saves County from early attack from Ricky Hill.

Left: Steve White waits to pounce as the keeper loses contact.

Below: Wayne Turner pushes forward for a shot.

Top right: The County's defence close in on Brian Stein.

Right: Brian's header is under close watch but fails to hit the target.



VISITORS

BLACKBURN THE CLUB . . .

We could not have wished for tougher opponents this afternoon who arrive at Kenilworth Road to figure in a game which should be Match of the Day as far as the Second Division is concerned.

New Blackburn manager Bobby Saxton has been in the job only since last May. But it hasn't taken him long to make his mark after guiding his team to the fringe of the promotion race.

When Saxton took the job, he said: 'After two seasons in which Blackburn have won promotion and narrowly missed getting into the First Division, I have something to beat.

'But the task doesn't frighten me. Blackburn have a thirst for the First Division — and I want to get there too.'

Blackburn's grit was displayed in the earlier meeting between us in November at Ewood Park when it took a penalty from David Moss to give us the three points.

It would be foolish to think this afternoon's clash will be any easier against a team difficult to score goals against.

Saxton has plenty of experience in his team. But there won't be a chance for Luton fans to see Viv Busby — one of our former players — in action because he was given a free transfer earlier in the season after missing several games with a troublesome knee injury.

. . . AND THE PLAYERS

John Butcher has had to be content mainly with a standby role; first to Paul Bradshaw then, later, to Jim Arnold. But he did enjoy a regular senior place for most of the 1978-79 season after Rovers had sold Bradshaw to Wolves and had, in fact, clocked up almost 100 League appearances by the end of last term.

Mike Rathbone was signed from Birmingham for £40,000 during the 1978-79 season following an earlier spell on loan and he soon established himself as one of the club's most popular players. The fans enjoy his cavalier, all-action approach to the game and it was this determination and enthusiasm that helped Rathbone fight his way back to a regular senior spot after losing his place for a time to experienced Roger De Vries last season.

Glenn Keeley was previously with Ipswich and Newcastle, Glenn has been one of the most dominant figures in a record-breaking Rovers defence which established a club record for fewest

goals conceded two seasons ago, then promptly shattered it again last term. One of only two ever-presents last season Keeley has probably played the best football of his career in the past couple of years and must now be worth several times the £30,000 fee he cost Rovers in August 1976.

Jim Branagan was signed from Huddersfield for £20,000 early in the Third Division promotion season of 1979-80, and quickly made himself an automatic choice in defence, despite having to alternate between the two full-back positions to help the team cause. The son of former Manchester City star Ken Branagan, Jim was formerly with Oldham Athletic.

Micky Speight proved an invaluable member of the first team squad last season, after joining Rovers from Sheffield United for £40,000. His ability to play in a number of positions came to Rovers' rescue on several occasions and there was no doubting his popularity with the fans who voted him their Player of the Year. A tough-tackling midfielder man, who can also fill any of the back

four positions, Micky scored some spectacular goals last term and an explosive shot is one of his greatest assets — especially at free-kicks.

Marshall Burke Picked up on a free transfer from Leeds United, Burke proved an instant hit by his uncanny ability to score goals from midfield. He made his first full League appearance for Rovers against Bolton at Christmas and typically, scored a vital goal. He finished the season with half a dozen League goals and his timely running from midfield into the danger area nearly brought him several more.

Tony Parkes received a broken leg against Wrexham in February 1981 which put him out of the final stages of the promotion reckoning and that was a cruel blow to the long-serving midfielder man, as well as the team. He joined Rovers from non-League Buxton more than a decade ago and has made well over 300 League appearances for the club. Recognised as an outstanding professional, he has given Rovers great service and is enjoying a richly deserved Testimonial year in the current season.

David Hamilton is a young midfield player who made several appearances as substitute last season without starting a League match for the club. Rated as a good prospect, he was signed on a free transfer from First Division club Sunderland in January 1981 and will be looking to make an impact on the senior squad this term.

Derek Fazackerley is Rovers longest-serving player. He cost the club nothing when he joined them as a junior and he finished last season with almost 400 League appearances to his credit. An ever-present — the only one — when Rovers won promotion in 1979-80 he was also a member of the squad that won the Division Three title in 1974-75. A model of consistency, he enjoyed a well-deserved Testimonial season last term.

Noel Brotherston was hit by a knee injury against promotion rivals Sheffield Wednesday on the run-in last season and it cost Rovers the services of this talented winger at a crucial stage of the programme. It also cost Belfast-born Brotherston the chance to add to his total of international caps for Northern Ireland. He was signed on a free transfer from Tottenham four years ago and finished his first campaign as leading scorer. Shot to international fame in the 1980 Home Championships when he scored the goal that gave his country the title.

GLENN KEELEY



LINE-UP

Simon Garner finished as Rovers' second leading scorer last season when they missed promotion to the First Division on goal difference. Boston-born, Simon has averaged nearly a goal every three games for his only professional club. His most successful period with the senior side came when he linked up with Andy Crawford in a partnership that helped Rovers clinch promotion in 1979-80. An aggressive, direct player he has filled most forward positions for Rovers.

Andy Crawford joined Rovers from Derby County for £50,000 in October 1979 and scored 23 League and Cup goals for the club during the remainder of that season. Injuries and other problems meant he played only a dozen League matches last term but is eager to prove he can score goals at a higher

level. An instinctive 'finisher' he has a burning ambition to get back to the First Division. Andy was previous manager Howard Kendall's most expensive signing during his time at Ewood.

Kevin Stonehouse was plucked from non-League football in July 1979, Kevin finished as top scorer last season with 10 goals, despite playing only 22 full games. The previous season, he scored two goals in only his third League match, at Gillingham. Previously with Shildon in the Northern League, Kevin has been described as looking very much like Liverpool's David Fairclough and he also has a habit of scoring important goals.

Ian Miller was Saxton's first signing for Rovers after taking over as manager. A fast, direct winger in the old-fashioned style, Miller came to Ewood at the start

of this season after three years with Swindon Town in Division Three. Previously with Doncaster, Nottingham Forest and Bury, Miller left Swindon because he wanted a higher grade of football and stepped up into the Second Division for the first time at Ewood.

Terry Gennoe (keeper) was snapped up by Rovers from First Division club Southampton for some £60,000 after Jim Arnold had been sold to Everton. A very experienced keeper, Gennoe had spent a period on loan to Rovers in 1974 when Gordon Lee was the manager. He played just over 50 first team games for the Saints in League and Cup competitions and has also played in the Football League for Bury and Halifax, as well as Crystal Palace, where he spent a spell on loan during the 1980-81 campaign.

Back row (left to right): Glenn Keeley, Terry Gennoe, John Butcher, Chris Pearce, Paul Comstive, Viv Busby (no longer with the club).
Middle row: Tony Parkes (Player-Coach), John Lowey, Phil Williamson, Mick Speight, Mike Rathbone, Jim Branagan, Derek Fazackerley, Bobby Saxton (Manager).
Front row: Kim Walters, Ian Miller, Noel Brotherston, Marshall Burke, David Hamilton, Andy Crawford, Simon Garner, Kevin Stonehouse.



POINTS ATTENDANCES LEAGUE TABLES

Opponents	Result	Attendance	Points	Position	Findlay	Stephens	Aizlewood	Horton	Saxby	Donaghy	Hill	Stein	White	Antic	Ingram	Turner	Moss	Fucillo	Goodyear	Small	Aleksic	Judge	Bunn	Money	
Goals Scored																									
1981																									
August																									
29 Charlton Athletic	*3-0	8,776	3	-1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11											
September																									
1 Queens Park Rangers	2-1	18,703	6	-1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11											
5 Bolton Wanderers	2-1	6,911	9	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11+											
12 Sheffield Wednesday	0-3	12,131	9	3	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11+											
19 Leicester City	2-1	14,159	12	2	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10												
22 Cardiff City	2-3	9,015	12	4	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10												
26 Watford	4-1	12,839	15	2	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10												
October																									
3 Orient	3-0	5,584	18	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	12											
6 Wrexham (LC2 - 1L)	0-2	6,146	-	-1	2	12	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	12											
10 Oldham Athletic	1-1	8,403	19	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	12											
17 Grimsby Town	6-0	9,090	22	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	12											
24 Wrexham	2-0	4,069	25	1	2	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	10											
28 Wrexham LC2 - 2L)	1-0	3,453	-	-1	2	-	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	12											
31 Crystal Palace	1-0	11,712	28	1	2	-	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	12											
November																									
7 Derby County	3-2	10,784	31	1	2	5	4	6	7	8	9	10	11	10											
14 Blackburn Rovers	1-0	9,862	34	1	2	5	4	6	7	8	9	10	11	10											
21 Newcastle United	2-3	21,031	34	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11											
24 Bolton Wanderers	2-0	8,889	37	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	12											
28 Rotherham United	3-1	11,061	40	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	12											
December																									
5 Shrewsbury Town	2-2	5,259	41	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	12											
28 Norwich City	3-1	19,348	44	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	12											
1982																									
January																									
2 Swindon Town FAC 3	2-1	9,488	-	-1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	12											
19 Charlton Athletic	0-0	7,013	45	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	12											
23 Ipswich Town (FAC 4)	0-3	20,188	-	-1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	12											
30 Leicester City	2-1	11,810	46	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	12											
February																									
6 Sheffield Wednesday	3-3	18,012	49	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	12											
20 Watford	1-1	22,580	50	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	12											
27 Oldham Athletic	2-0	11,506	53	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	12											
March																									
2 Cambridge United	1-0	10,597	56	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	12											
6 Grimsby Town	0-0	7,733	57	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	12											
12 Wrexham (LCF) (Friday)	0-0	10,880	58	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	12											
16 Barnsley	*3-4	14,044	58	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	12											
20 Crystal Palace	3-3	12,001	59	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	12											
27 Derby County	0-0	15,836	60	2	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	12											
30 Orient	2-0	9,716	63	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	12											
April																									
3 Blackburn Rovers																									
10 Cambridge United																									
12 Norwich City																									
17 Newcastle United																									
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24 Rotherham United																									
30 Shrewsbury Town																									
May																									
5 Cardiff City																									
8 Chelsea																									
11 Queens Park Rangers																									
15 Barnsley																									
22 FA Cup Final																									

SCORECHECK

FA CUP — SEMI-FINALS QPR v West Bromwich A. Tottenham v Leicester City	Crystal Palace v Grimsby Wrexham v Derby County
DIVISION ONE Brighton v Southampton Ipswich v Coventry	DIVISION TWO Bolton v Shrewsbury Cambridge v Norwich Cardiff v Watford Charlton v Newcastle Chelsea v Oldham
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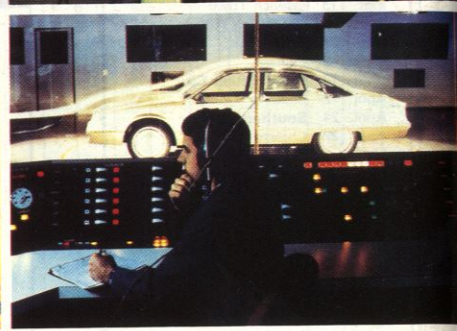
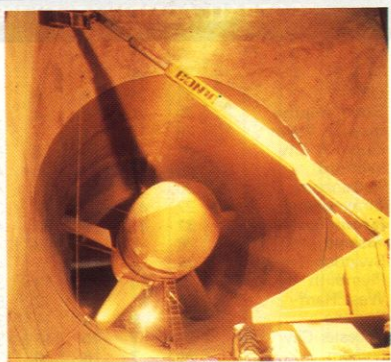
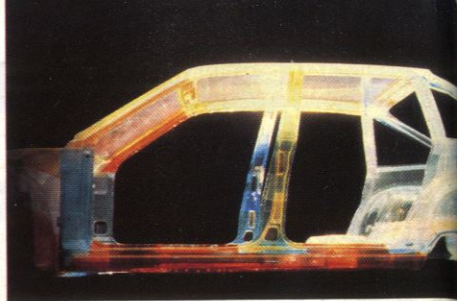
FOOTBALL COMBINATION FIXTURES 1981-82

Date	Home	Away
Aug. 29	Orient	
Sept. 1	Tottenham Hotspur	
Sept. 5	Oxford United	
Sept. 12	Leicester City	
Sept. 19	Queens Park Rangers	
Sept. 26	Watford	
Oct. 10	Crystal Palace	
Oct. 17	Swindon Town	
Oct. 24	Ipswich Town	
Nov. 7	Arsenal	
Nov. 10	Norwich City	
Nov. 14	Fulham	
Nov. 17	Birmingham City	
Nov. 25	Tottenham Hotspur	
Nov. 28	Southampton	
Dec. 5	Chelsea	
Jan. 6	West Ham United	
Jan. 23	Plymouth Argyle	
Jan. 26	Reading	
Jan. 30	Queens Park Rangers	
Feb. 6	Leicester City	
Feb. 9	Orient	
Feb. 20	Watford	
Feb. 22	Bristol Rovers	
Feb. 27	Crystal Palace	
Mar. 6	Swindon Town	
Mar. 10	Oxford United	
Mar. 13	Ipswich Town	
Mar. 20	Plymouth Argyle	
Mar. 27	Arsenal	
Apr. 3	Fulham	
Apr. 10	Birmingham City	
Apr. 12	Reading	
Apr. 24	Southampton	
Apr. 27	Chelsea	
May 4	Norwich City	
May 8	West Ham United	
May 15	Bristol Rovers	
May 22		

Hereford and Bristol City withdraw from Football Combination
That means that Luton, in common with other clubs who have already met and either beaten or drawn with United and City earlier in the season, will lose the points.

DIVISION TWO TABLE 1981-82

Club	Home				Away				Pts			
	P	W	D	L	P	W	D	L				
Luton Town	31	11	1	2	31	11	7	8	2	30	21	63
Watford	32	10	5	2	36	14	8	3	4	22	19	62
Sheffield Wednesday	34	7	7	3	25	20	9	1	7	20	19	56
Rotherham United	33	12	2	3	32	12	5	2	9	17	24	55
Blackburn Rovers	33	10	2	4	20	9	5	7	5	20	19	54
Newcastle United	31	13	2	1	26	7	2	4	9	13	22	51
Leicester City	31	10	4	2	24	11	4	5	6	20	22	51
Q.P.R.	32	11	3	2	26	6	4	2	10	16	25	50
Barnsley	32	10	3	3	26	12	4	4	8	20	22	49
Oldham Athletic	33	7	8	3	24	21	5	3	7	15	18	47
Norwich City	32	10	3	4	30	18	4	2	9	12	25	47
Charlton Athletic	33	10	3	3	28	16	2	7	8	17	32	46
Chelsea	31	8	3	4	26	20	4	3	9	16	24	42
Cambridge United	31	8	3	4	21	14	2	3	11	14	26	36
Derby County	32	7	7	2	26	17	2	1	13	15	40	35
Shrewsbury Town	31	7	6	3	21	16	1	5	9	7	25	35
Crystal Palace	29	7	2	5	17	14	2	4	9	6	17	33
Bolton Wanderers	33	7	2	7	19	20	2	3	12	8	26	32
Cardiff City	32	7	2	7	21	15	2	3	11	12	23	32
Wrexham	30	6	0	8	13	17	2	7	7	14		



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