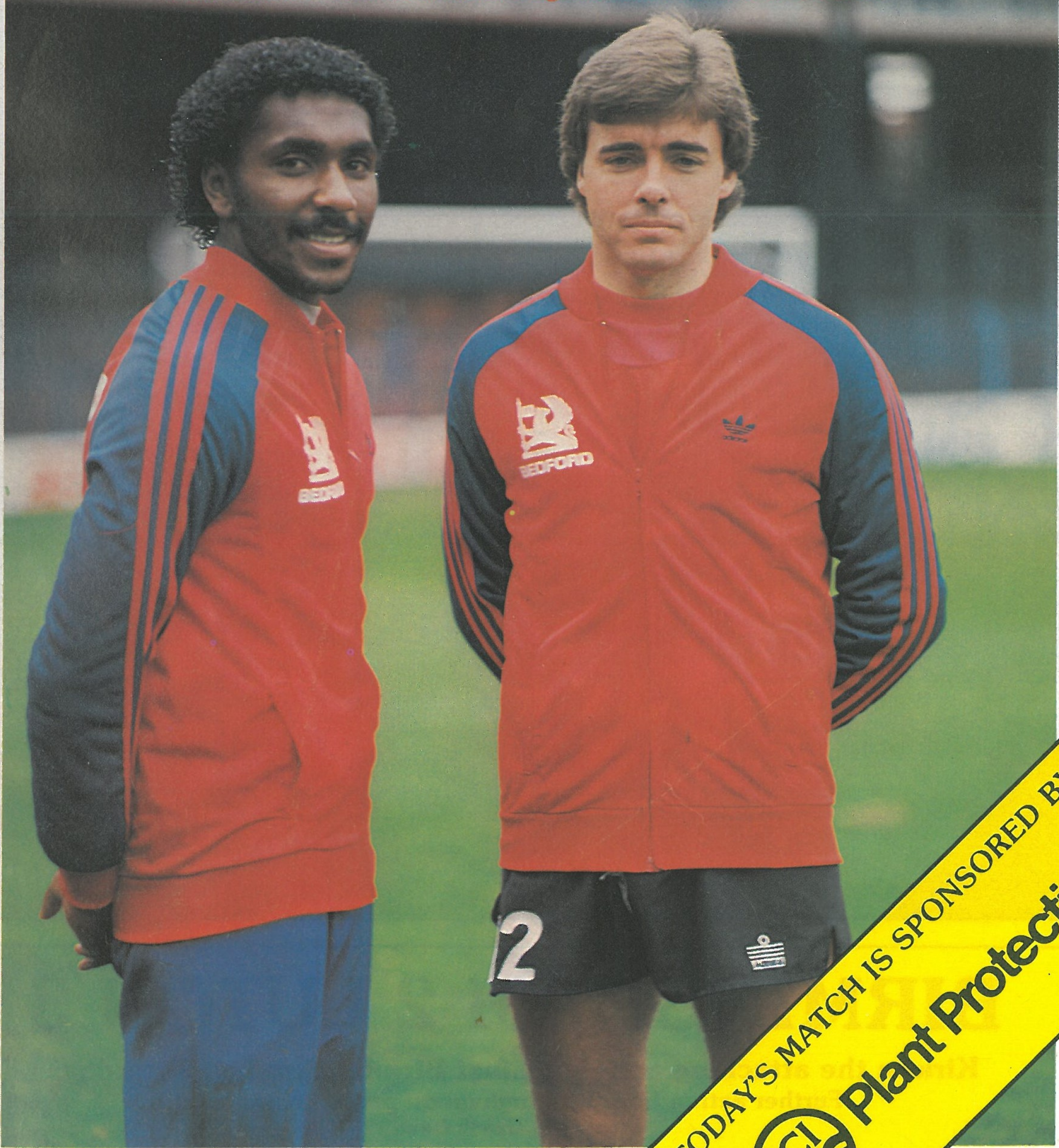


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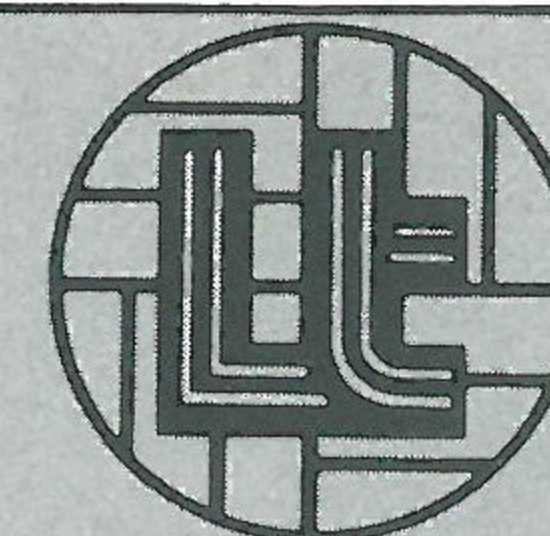
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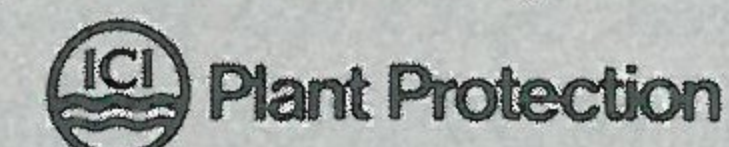
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**LUTON
TOWN**



- 1 JAKE FINDLAY (C)
- 2 KIRK STEPHENS
- 3 RICHARD MONEY
- 4 BRIAN HORTON
- 5 CLIVE GOODYEAR
- 6 MAL DONAGHY
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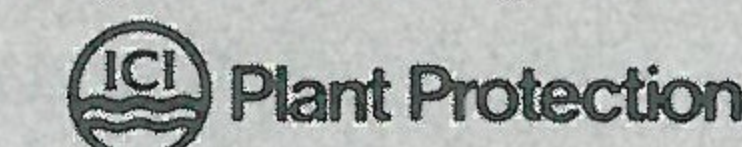


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TOWN**



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- 2 GEORGE BURLEY
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MY VIEW

Last season we met Ipswich when they were playing exceptionally well and were deservedly dismissed from the FA Cup. I hope today's game has as much quality and the supporters enjoy the match enough to return and perhaps bring a friend next time.

Since our elevation to the First Division, the players and staff have been very much in demand to attend different events at either weekends or evenings. Our players have always understood the importance of close community relationships, but it must be made clear that a rejected invitation is not a slight.

We all have only so many hours that we can stand up and remain mentally and physically fit for soccer. We will continue to do whatever we find possible. I know of a manager who attended three functions in one evening and, as he had to dash from one prize giving to another, he missed the food at each one!

I have accepted an invitation for the club to appear in the **Daily Express** five-a-side championships at Wembley on 24th November. This is our first invitation and the competition for places is ultra keen. My intention will be to select the best five to play indoors in a small area. As it's a bit of fun, I'd be quite interested to hear supporters' nominations sent to me with their selections. This way, we can field our 'five' selected by the supporters.

The Bobbers Away Travel Club delighted the players and I with their smashing gesture before the Manchester United game. To receive an individual memento from our supporters for our great season will be a cherished prize, and we thank them most sincerely.

Before the Manchester United game, our players spent a morning at the Henlow Grange Health Farm. We enjoyed our training and the excellent hospitality pro-



vided. By 3 p.m. on the Saturday, we were relaxed and ready for our illustrious opponents. I would also like to thank Ian Murdoch for inviting the players to use the facilities at the Flitwick Squash Club. His kind offer is much appreciated.

The players also use the remedial benefits of the Embassy Health Club and are welcome guests at the Herald Snooker Club. It is this backing and support that a manager appreciates when business people genuinely support us by allowing the players to use their facilities.

We hope for a good game today, and sincerely hope we will be able to offer Mr Patrick Cobbold and his brother, John, an enjoyable glass of wine to toast an outstanding game — regardless of the result.

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LUTON TRAVEL

Bookings are coming in well for our trip to West Bromwich next Saturday. The fares are: adults £2.50, juveniles £2. Departure times are, Maple Road 11.30, Hitchin 11.00. Aylesbury 10.15, Leighton Buzzard 10.30, Milton Keynes 10.45, Stony Stratford 11.00, Hemel Hempstead 10.15, Redbourn 10.30 and Harpenden 10.45.

The following away game is at Sunderland on 13th November. We have been asked if it is possible to run an executive coach to this game. Provided there is a sufficient response, we can. The cost will be £12 each, and all bookings must be accompanied by a deposit of £5. This coach will run only if we have a full complement of 35 passengers. Please make an early booking.

For supporterstravelling on normal coaches, the fare will be £8 adults, and £6 juveniles.

Departure time from Luton will be 8.00, and couriers will have local timetables available on

the coaches to West Brom and advance booking forms.

Our trip to Coventry on 20th November will carry a fare concession for registered members of the Travel Club, who will pay £2 (adults) and £1.50 (juveniles). For non-members, fares will be £2.50 (adults), £2 (juveniles).

With reference to our in-coaches, we re-routed the Aylesbury coach via Aston Clinton. Tring and Marsworth, after requests from supporters in these areas. Unfortunately, support has not materialised as we hoped, so please pass on the information of this service to your friends. It is uneconomical to run half full coaches.

We are again asking for help from would be couriers, as their assistance is invaluable in getting these services running to capacity. Please ring me between 9 a.m. and 1 p.m. (Luton 411622) if you can help.

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Full name: KIRK WILLIAM STEPHENS
Birthplace: Coventry
Birthdate: 27.2.55
Height: 5ft 9in
Weight: 11st 9lb
Married: Yes to Karon
Children: Simone Louise 1, Quinnton 4
Car: Lotus Elite
Previous clubs: Nuneaton
Favourite player: Glenn Hoddle
Favourite other sport: Tennis
Nickname: Basha
Job or trade before turning professional: Working in family construction business
Favourite newspaper: Sun
Favourite other team: Nuneaton/ Coventry
Players for the future: Ricky Hill, Paul Walsh, Brian Stein
Best stadium played in: Malmo (Sweden)
Football hero of childhood: Pele, Best
Other sports person you most admire: Bjorn Borg
Most memorable match: v Shrewsbury won 4-1 clinched promotion
Favourite food and drink: Ham and chips, milk
Friendliest away fans: Sunderland
Favourite holiday resort: Magaluf Majorca
Best film seen recently: Rocky 1, 2 & 3
Favourite actor/actress: George Cole/Joan Collins
Favourite singers: Neil Diamond & The Commodores
Miscellaneous likes/dislikes: Working, playing other sports/being injured
Favourite TV show: Minder
Biggest influence on career: Father
International honours: England semi pro v Italy
Your best ever all time XI: Leeds of the late sixties
Personal ambition: To play at Wembley
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27 at 8pm The Searchers — 29th Anniversary Concert
Dec 3 at 8pm Randy Edleman
9&10 at 8pm Shakatak

*From 20th
December for two
weeks Mike Reid's
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BEHIND THE SCENES

By ROBERT HADGRAFT

Groundsman Dick Wassell is a man who is fond of the occasional pint. He is also rather fond of Luton Town FC.

So much so, in fact, that Dick has travelled the length and breadth of England to cheer the team on.

Before Wimbledon and Wigan were elected to the Football League, bachelor Dick had watched Luton play on every single one of the 92 League grounds.

At his Luton home he has a massive stack of programmes as souvenirs of his travels — but he has an even bigger stack of memories to call upon.

Getting a job with the club was something of a dream come true for superfan Dick. He joined in August 1969 after working in the building and catering trades.

After seven years as a maintenance man and assistant groundsman, he was appointed chief groundsman in 1976. One of his predecessors, Eddie Hartley, now tends the Stoke City pitch after a spell at Coventry.

Tending to the Kenilworth Road turf has never been a piece of cake, with the pitch tending to wear heavily down the middle.

But drainage problems affecting the central area have now been resolved and Dick once again had the pitch in superb condition for the start of the current season.

Dick always keeps an eye out to see how other groundsmen are getting on, and confesses that his favourite grounds are Roker Park, Sunderland and Fratton Park, Portsmouth.

He looks after Luton's pitch with the help of up-to-date machinery, and is assisted on matchdays by the club's apprentices.

Dick admits the pressure can really be on when a Saturday match in muddy conditions is followed by a game on the Tuesday night.

He watches each match keenly from beside the players tunnel and doesn't mind a bit if Brian Stein knocks in a goal after skidding over his beloved turf!

Dick is a true Lutonian, having attended school at Stopsley with former Town stars Bruce Rioch and Alan Slough — a duo he lists at the top of his all-time favourite players.

If you see Dick peacefully trimming the grass with a contented look on his face, he will probably be dreaming of the three away trips that have given him most pleasure down the years.

The first, says Dick, was in 'the dark days of 1964', when Luton travelled to Griffin Park to meet Brentford in a Third Division game.

Prior to the match, Luton had gone more than a year without an



DICK WASELL

away win — but Dick and his mates promptly went barmy with delight as the form-book was turned upside down and Town triumphed by an amazing 6-2 scoreline.

Not many people have memorable moments in Halifax, but it was the Shay ground where Dick's second attack of ecstasy occurred.

The date was 20th April 1968, and Town scraped through by a cliff-hanging 1-0 scoreline to clinch promotion out of the dreaded Fourth Division.

Dick travelled around to dozens of far-flung lack-lustre grounds in the sixties — Barrow, Workington, Hartlepool, etc. — and he reckons his dedication was more than adequately rewarded by the results at Halifax and Brentford.

By the time his third memorable moment occurred, those dark days were well forgotten. It was six years later, almost to the day, when Town travelled to WBA needing only one point to return to the First Division.

Barry Butlin scored after only six minutes and the rest, as they say, is history.

Dick Wassell will be looking for some more memorable moments to drink to this season — for although he is on the Luton Town payroll, nowhere is there a more dedicated supporter than he.

JUNIOR HATTERS



A reminder first about our proposed Christmas special for Junior Hatters, parents and friends. It's the Mike Reid 'Christmas Runaround' at the Forum Theatre, Hatfield, on Monday 20th December, commencing at 6.30 p.m. Please make your bookings soon to enable us to make the necessary transport arrangements. A deposit of 50p per seat, towards the total cost of £2 (child or adult) is required, plus whether you need transport.

Come and have lots of fun — it will be a really great night with prizes and surprises. The address: Colin Ball, Junior Hatters Christmas Treat, Luton Town FC., Kenilworth Road, Luton.

News now of another away trip. On Saturday 20th November the Town visit Coventry. We shall take a party of Junior Hatters to meet and play their counterparts in a variety of games, plus, of course, a chance to watch the game in Coventry's all-seater stadium.

So far, five-a-side soccer, netball and mixed relays have been suggested as competitions to take place in the morning at Ryton-on-Dunsmore, with a chance to meet Coventry players there too. If you want to come — and who could miss this great opportunity — please let me know by letter. I need to know whether you want to come as a competitor as well as a spectator and if so, which events you would like to be considered for, we shall need about 30 competitors. Please send a deposit of 50p each. More details will appear in the Post-Echo column on Tuesdays and the Nottingham Forest magazine at the end of the month.

Elsewhere in this magazine you will have seen reference to Junior Hatters five-a-side with news of our move to the main canteen at the Bedford Truck factory in Boscombe Road, Dunstable. I must express the gratitude of all our junior members for the provision of this marvellous facility and thank the Recreation Committee of the Dunstable factory for their generosity —

another demonstration of the link recently forged between Luton Town FC and Vauxhall/Bedford. May I also thank Ron Fullbrook at Marsh House for his grateful help and kindness in getting our five-a-side under way once more this season. All we need is for you, to respond and show your gratitude by coming up with the teams for our leagues and this could be one of our best efforts yet.

MASCOTS AND ESCORTS

Mascot: Angela Scram aged 12 of Thorlow Close, Luton. Angela is an avid Luton Town fan and collects autographs and football programmes as part of her interests. She is a pupil at Halyard High School in Luton.

Escorts: David Staffell of Lonsdale Road, Stevenage, David is 13 and enjoys fishing and football. He is a pupil at Bedwell School and plays for the school team.

Michael Crane of Holts Meadow, Redbourn, Herts is 13 and a pupil at Verulam School, St. Albans. He likes listening to records, playing golf and soccer.

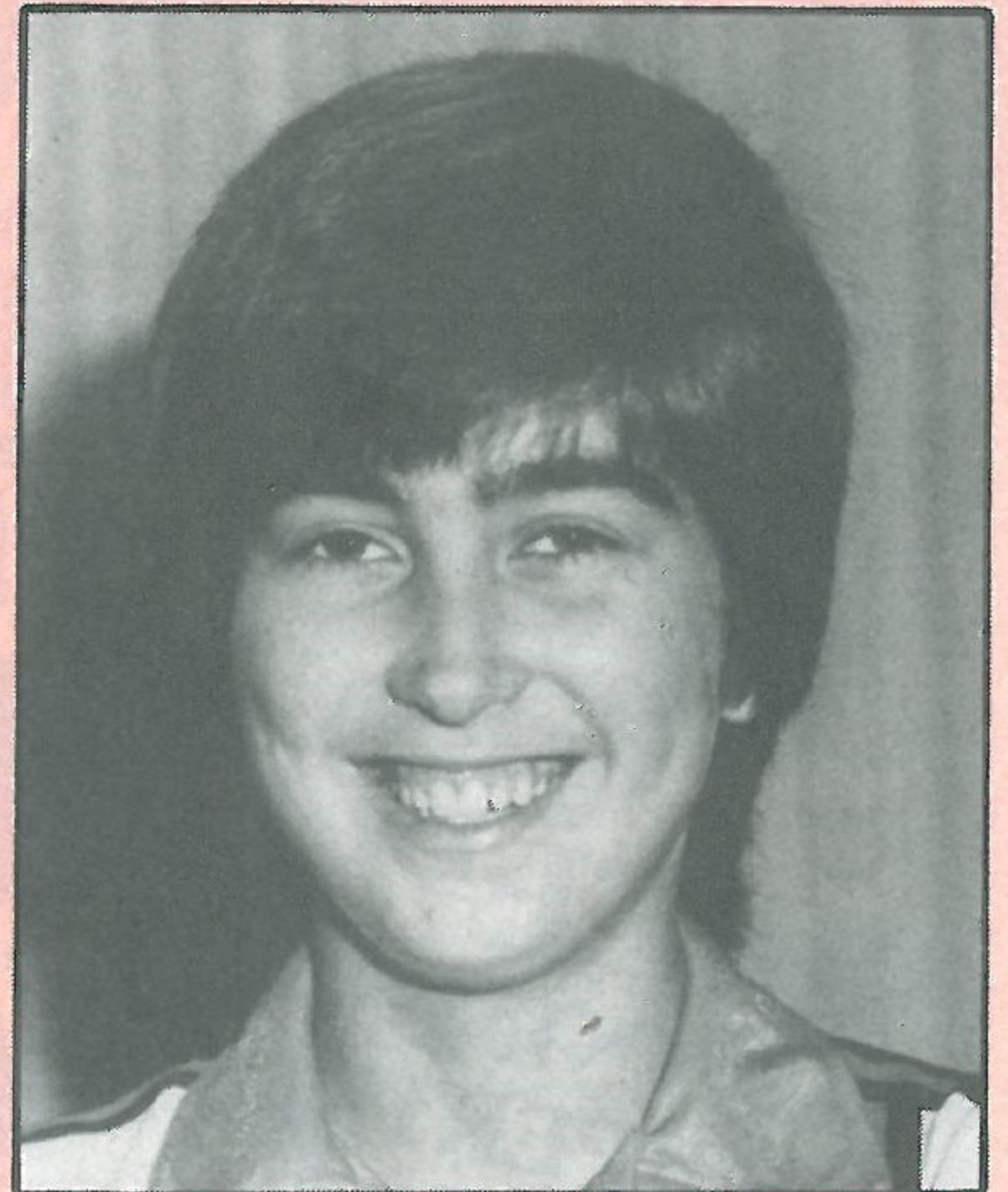
Kevin Wooliscroft of Brooklands Close, Luton is 10 and a pupil at Pirton Hill Junior School. His interests include football and swimming and he plays for his school team, Sundon Park Rangers and 'Junior Hatters' five-a-side team.

Stuart Boag of Icknield Way, Luton, aged 12, is a pupil at Lea Manor High School, Luton. His interests are playing football and watching sport.

David Allison aged 12, of Torrington Crescent, Wellingborough, Northants, who is the Ipswich mascot for today. David won a 'Mascot of the Day' competition run by the Ipswich Supporters Club (East Midlands). He is a pupil at Westbury School in Wellingborough. His hobbies are football, cricket, snooker, darts and collecting postcards.

COLIN BALL
Youth Development Officer

THE MASCOT . . .



ANGELA SCRAM

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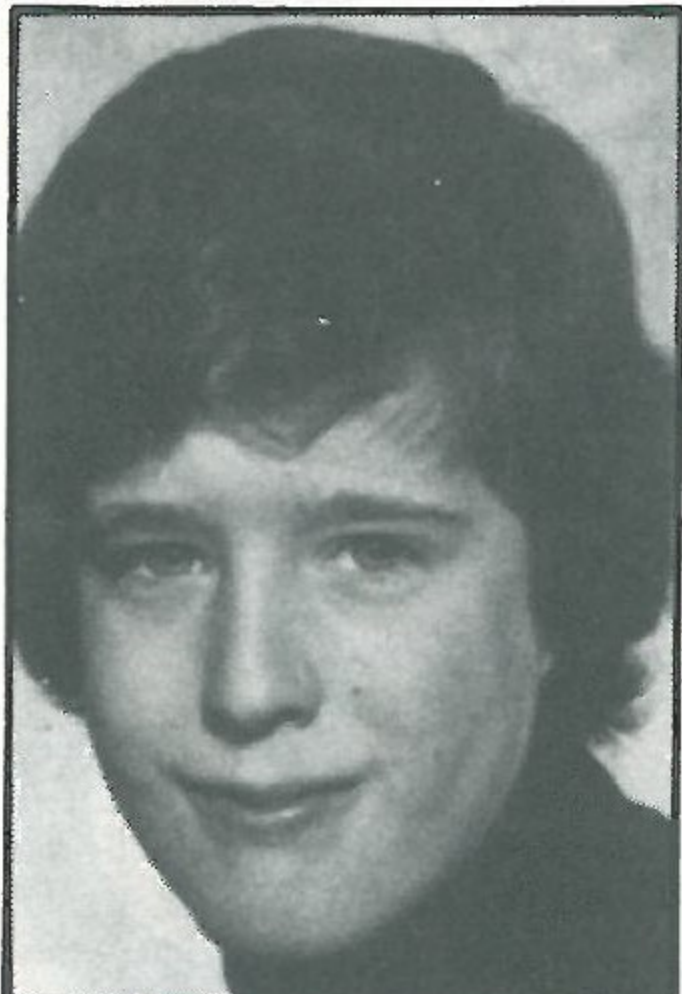
Please reserve. seats for the Mike Reid 'Christmas Runaround' Show on Monday, December 20th 1982 at £2 each.

I enclose. deposit (50p per ticket is sufficient to secure a booking).

I should want/not want transport for the Show (cross out where not applicable).

After completion, return to Colin Ball, Junior Hatters, Luton Town FC., 70/72 Kenilworth Road, Luton.

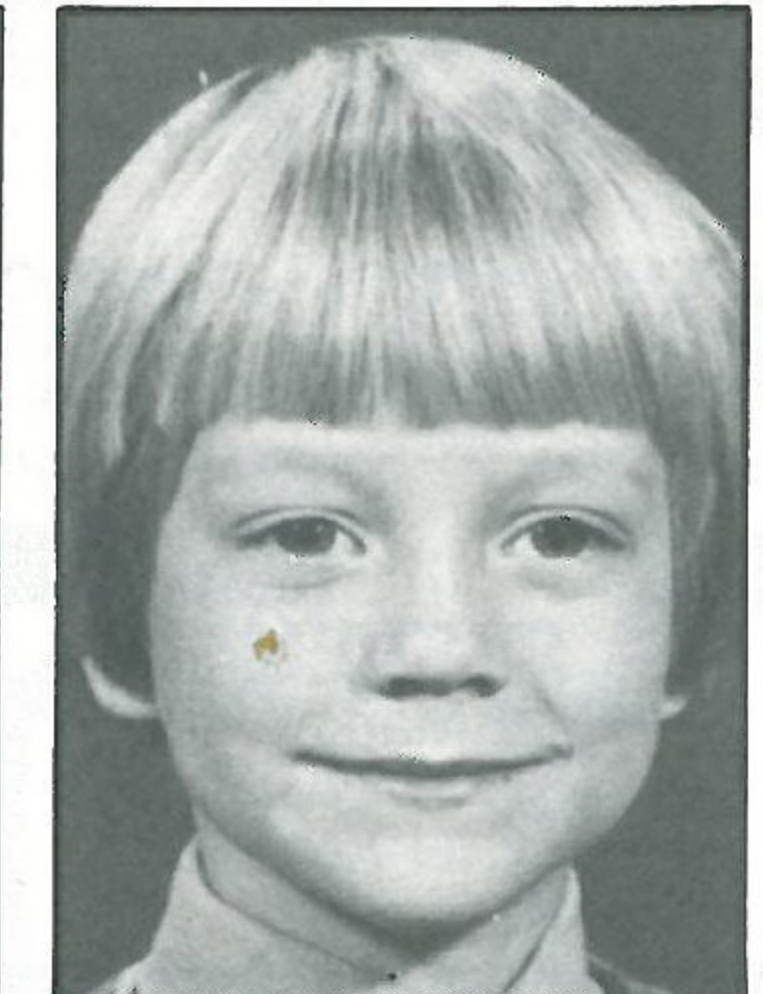
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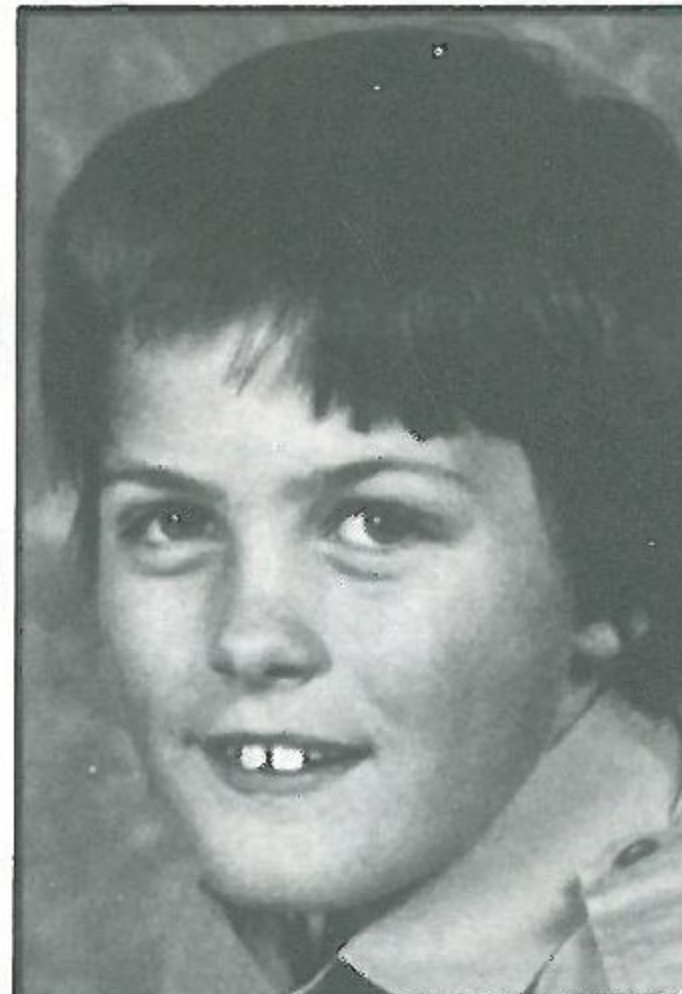
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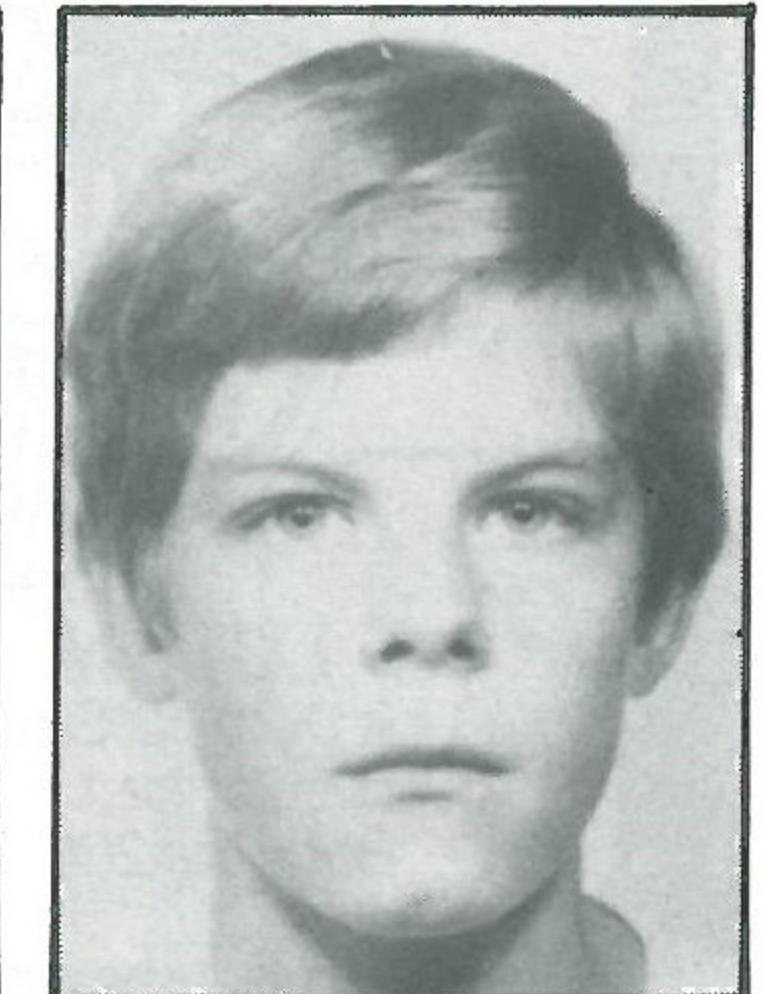
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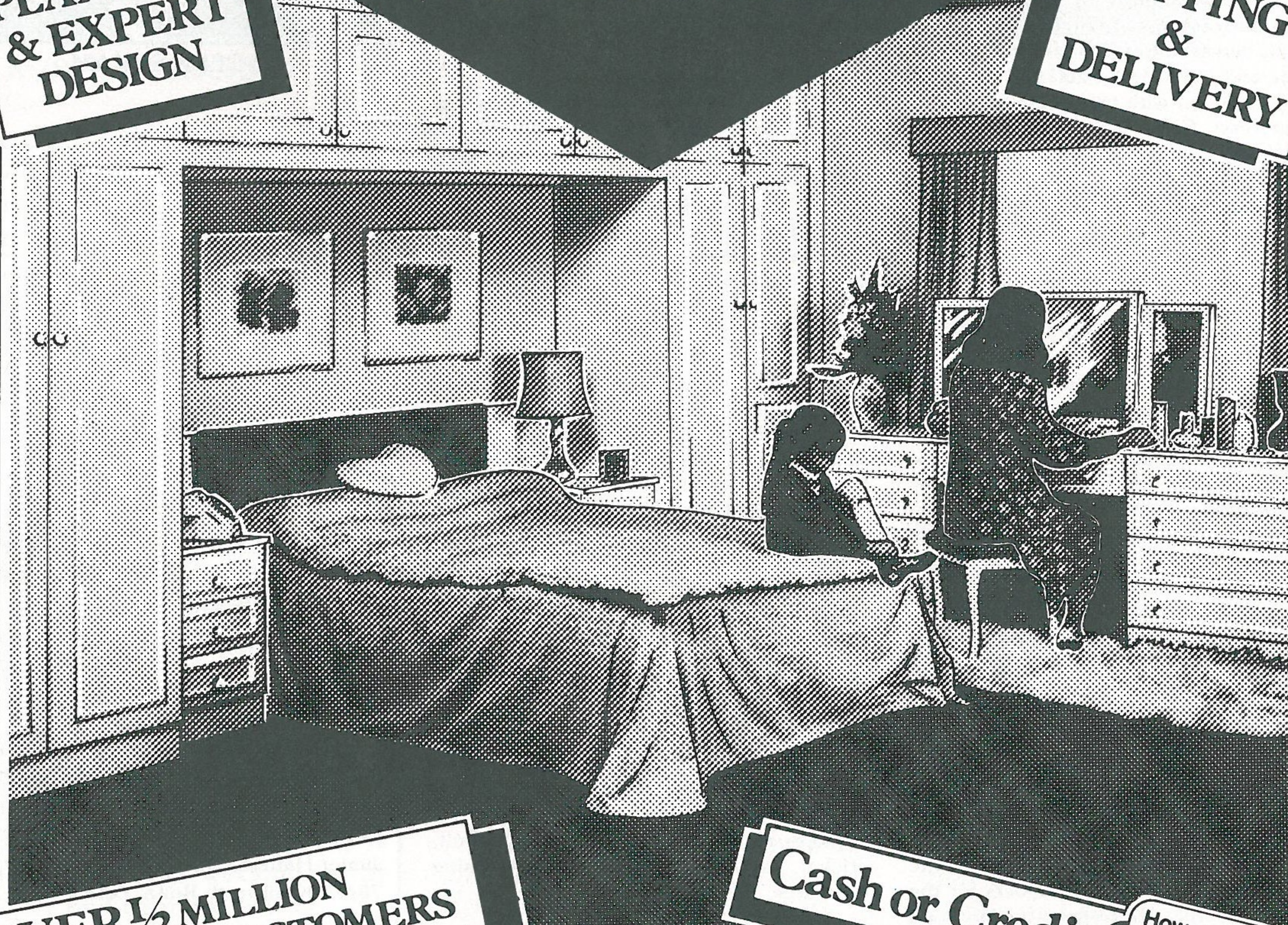


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**THE PAGE
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TO US**

We are always pleased to receive letters from our supporters. This week, we publish a selection which arrived on manager David Pleat's desk.

Dear David,
I just wanted to say how much I have enjoyed watching your team this season. It is entertainment all the way, bags of skill and just the sort of stuff to make the crowds come back to the game. I, for one, will continue to preach the positive gospel as long as you do. Thanks once again.

Desmond Lynam BBC TV

Dear David,
I would like to offer my congratulations to yourself, directors, players and all the background staff on winning the Second Division Championship.

I feel so proud of the club and know that for the first time in my memory we have a team capable of really making a big impression on the game in England.

As a lifetime supporter and former Youth team player prior to coming to Australia, it was heart-warming to see some of the football the team were playing. We have seen Luton quite a few times on television. The present squad is good enough to win a major trophy and I hope that the club's ambition is in that direction. Nottingham Forest, Ipswich and Swansea have shown what can be done with good management and supportive directors.

Congratulations once again. I want to see Luton playing in Europe next season. Anything less should be viewed as a failure. If my surname is recognised by anyone at the club it is because my auntie, from Shaftesbury Avenue, looks after some of your younger players.

B. P. Haughney
Karma Court
Frankston 3199
Victoria
Australia

Dear Mr Pleat,
As a Stoke City supporter of several years standing, I write to thank you and your team for your part in the most exciting and dramatic football match I have ever seen at the Victoria Ground.

I am still breathless from the experience and re-living as many moments as I can recall from a game overflowing with incident. Although your team was so close to snatching victory (which no one could begrudge you) I am sure you will understand the satisfaction of the home team's supporters when the match finally ended in a draw.

Rarely can the atmosphere have been so charged at the end of a game. It takes two teams to create an occasion like this. To you and your players grateful thanks — you are indeed gracing the First Division this season.

David Hay

Dear Mr Pleat,
You probably will not remember me, but I am the girl who got on to the team coach at the Corley Service Station yesterday, and asked for the autographs of the Town team after the match at Stoke.

I am just writing to say thank you for your kindness in letting me do so, and to let you know that this great favour was much appreciated.

Not one of the team refused to sign for me and you cannot believe the great pleasure I had in actually meeting the team I love to watch every Saturday.

Best wishes and every success for the future and I will be cheering you on all the way.

Suzanne Swan
Eldon Road
Luton, Beds

Dear David,
May I first of all congratulate you on what you have done for Luton Town Football Club. It is most appreciated in my part of Bedfordshire.

For about six years, I have been supporting the Town with a friend who has just emigrated to South Africa. One of the things he misses most is watching English League football, above all Luton Town. He was a great admirer of Brian Stein (I wish he could see him now).

P. Williams
Beech Avenue
Biggleswade, Beds

Dear David,
I am writing to you to thank the club for the kindness shown to me before the Manchester United match. It was a wonderful surprise to arrive at the match and discover I had won the Phototeazer competition. I would like to thank you for my prize, the video, which is an excellent record of last season and I can strongly recommend it to all other Hatter fans.

It was an experience I shall never forget to walk down the tunnel passing the dressing rooms, and rubbing shoulders with Jake Findlay and Paul Walsh as they took their pre-match look at the pitch. To walk on to the pitch to collect the video just gave me a small idea of what it is like to play in front of the Kenilworth Road fans.

I would like to wish the club the best of luck for the rest of the season. I shall certainly enjoy watching them.

Ian Smith
Sidney Road
Amphill, Beds



PAUL WALSH

LETTERS

HATTERS A-Z

PART 6 - By TONY PULLEIN

ELECTION. The club was originally elected to the Second Division of the Football League in 1897, in place of Burton Wanderers. In those days the bottom three clubs had to apply for re-election. They were Burton Swifts, Burton Wanderers and Lincoln City. Luton were one of seven non-League hopefuls who went into the poll, the result of which was: Lincoln City 21, Burton Swifts 15 and Luton Town 13 elected; Port Vale 11, Burton Wanderers 9, Nelson 7, Glossop NE 5, Fairfield 3, Crewe 2 and Millwall 1 not elected.

We lost our League status three years later but returned to the fold in 1920 when we were part of the Southern League's First Division that was taken over en bloc to form the new Third Division (South).

FINDLAY, Jake. Jake served his apprenticeship with Aston Villa and made his League debut for them in a Second Division game against Sunderland in April 1974. Jake didn't get too many subsequent chances in Villa's senior team, though, so he was delighted to come to Kenilworth Road in a £100,000 deal in 1978. He played his first game for Luton at home to Preston in December 1978 and, apart from injury, he has since been our number one goalkeeper.

League record:

		Apps
Aston Villa	1973-74	1
	1974-75	1
	1975-76	5
	1976-77	7
	1977-78	—
Luton	1978-79	23
	1979-80	41
	1980-81	40



JAKE FINDLAY

1981-82	34
1982-83*	6
	158

*Up to and including 2nd October.

FIRST DIVISION. We are currently enjoying our third spell as a First Division club. It was in 1955, when we pipped Rotherham to the second promotion place on goal-average, that we first took our place among the elite and on that occasion we remained for five seasons. Our most successful cam-

paigned was 1957-58 when we finished in eighth place. By finishing last in 1959-60 we were forced to return to the lower Division.

We won our way back into Division One in 1974 but we survived for only one season, this in spite of a magnificent late revival that saw us drop only one point in our final four games.

FA CUP: Results in competition proper. 1891-92 - Middlesbrough (h) 0-3, 1892-93 - **, 1893-94 - **, 1894-95 - Preston (h) 0-2, 1895-96 - **, 1896-97 - WBA (h) 0-1, 1897-98 - Bolton (h) 0-1, 1898-99 - **, 1899-1900 - **, 1900-01 - **, 1901-02 - **, 1902-03 - Millwall (a) 0-3, 1903-04 - **, 1904-05 - **, 1905-06 - **, 1906-07 - Gainsborough T (a) 0-0 (h) 2-1; Sunderland (h) 0-0 (a) 0-1, 1907-08 - Fulham (a) 3-8, 1908-09 - Millwall (h) 1-2, 1909-10 - **, 1910-11 - Northampton (a) 1-5, 1911-12 - Notts County (h) 2-4, 1912-13 - **, 1913-14 - **, 1914-15 - Southampton (a) 0-3, 1919-20 - Coventry (h) 2-2 (a) 1-0; Liverpool (h) 0-2, 1920-21 - Birmingham (h) 2-1; South Shields (a) 4-0; Preston (h) 2-3, 1921-22 - Portsmouth (a) 1-1 (h) 2-1; Aston Villa (a) 0-1, 1922-23 - Bury (a) 1-2, 1923-24 - Arsenal (a) 1-4, 1924-25 - WBA (a) 0-4.

**Did not qualify for competition proper.

Our FA Cup results sequence will be concluded in Part 7 of the A-Z in which we shall also be commencing details of our season-by-season record in the Football League.

This will form another vital part of your encyclopaedia on the Hatters. Don't miss it!

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NAME THE FACES

The players heads featured in the Charlton Athletic magazine were Kevin Reeves (Manchester City), John O'Neill (Leicester City) and Paul Hart (Leeds United). At the time of going to print, we do not have the names of the lucky winner who will be receiving our Super Champions on video tape before today's game.

A new phototeazer this week with, again, a prize of a super commemorative video.

The photocaption shows three players heads mixed up. Again, all you have to do is name the three players and their current club. Send your entries to Luton Town Phototeazers, Luton Town Football Club, Matchday Magazine, 70-72 Kenilworth Road, Luton.



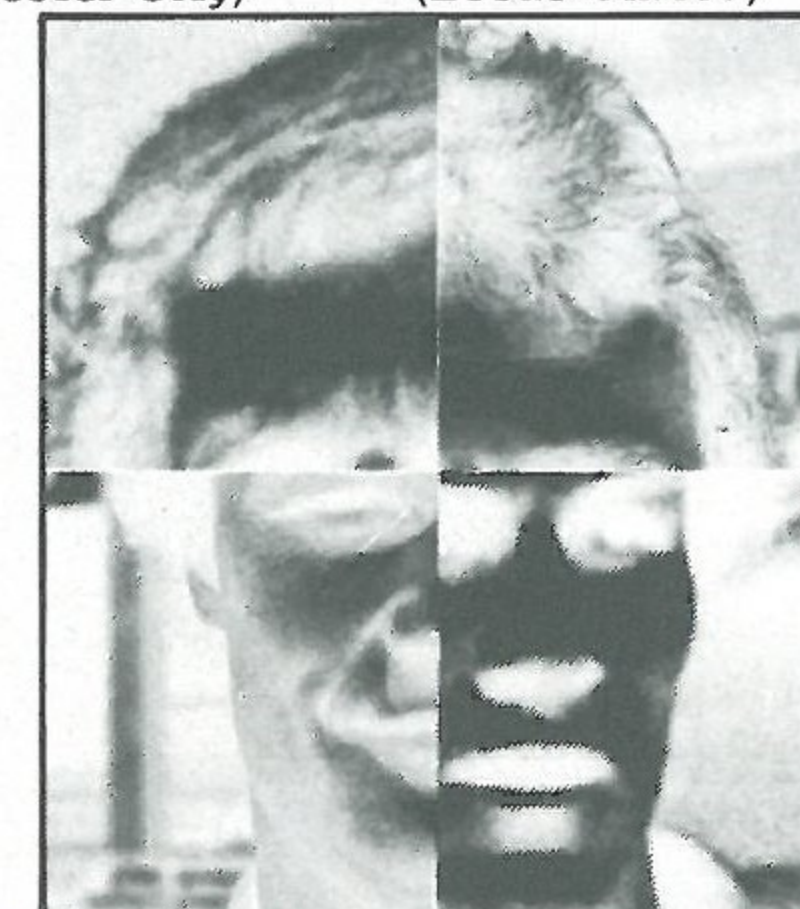
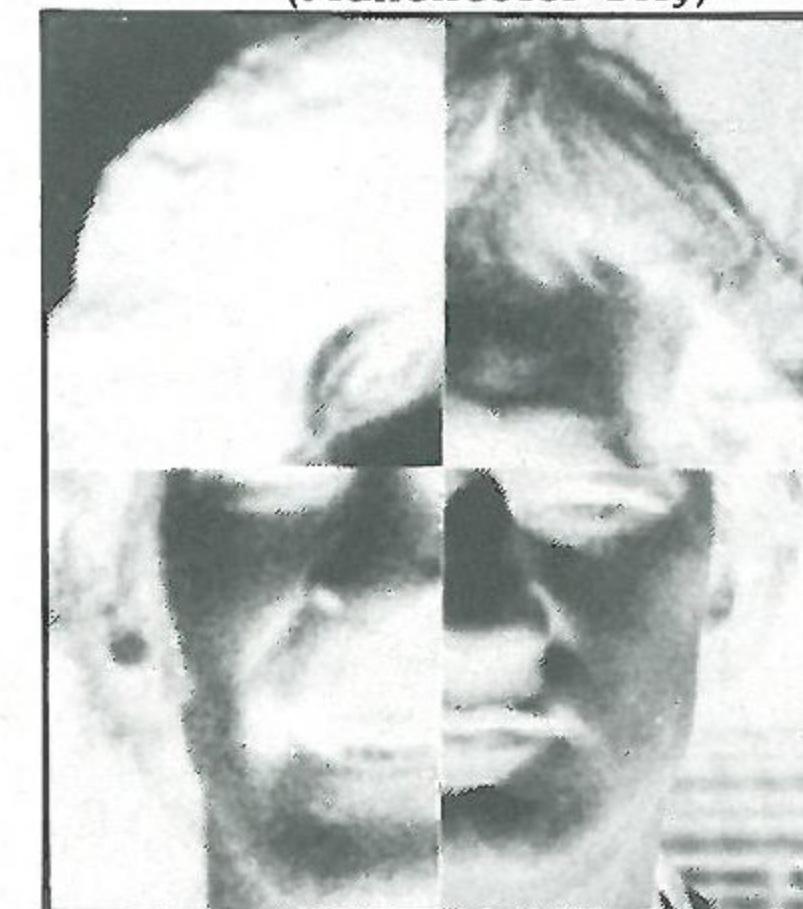
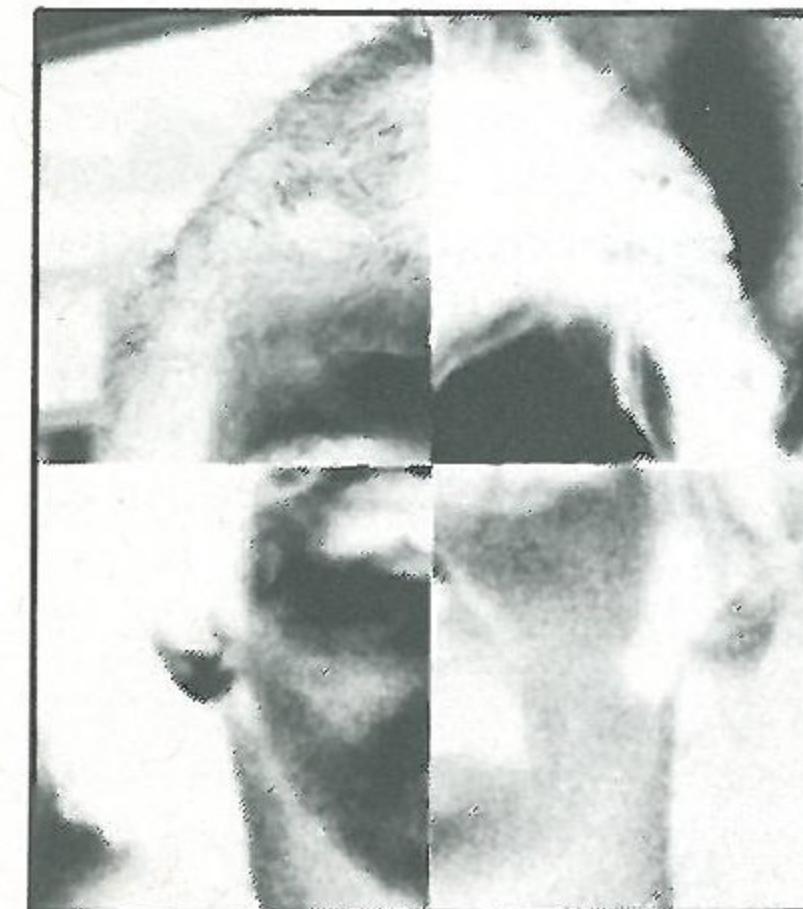
KEVIN REEVES
(Manchester City)



JOHN O'NEILL
(Leicester City)



PAUL HART
(Leeds United)



Pre-Match Entertainment

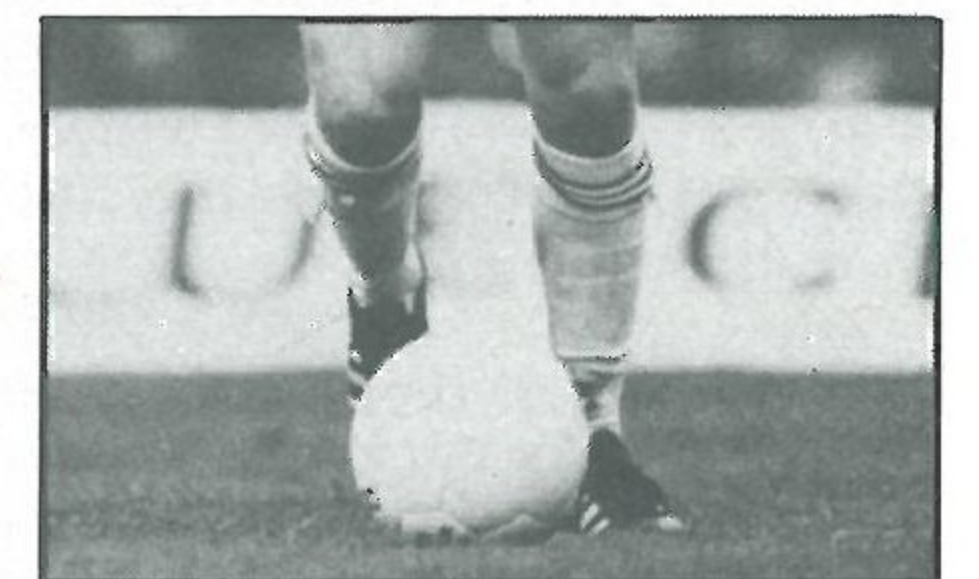
We welcome Vauxhall Motors Bowling Club representatives who are today providing a demonstration of crown bowling which is very popular, being featured regularly on BBC2. We are monitoring today's display featuring Ken Ayres, Selwyn Jones, Frank Errington and Mervyn Crutterden with a view to holding further matches involving our supporters.

We are very grateful to our compere, George Pearce, and Vauxhall Motors Bowling Club secretary Barry Nunn for the organisation of today's event and we hope you'll be bowled over by today's exhibition!

NAME THE STAR

The Name The Star is a continuing competition when we will add a small proportion of the body of a famous player inviting you to guess the player's identity. Today's photograph is a continuation of the body of the player featured in our last two magazines against Manchester United and Charlton.

If you think you know the answer, write it immediately on a postcard with your name and address and send your entry to Luton Town Phototeazers, Luton Town Football Club Matchday Magazine, 70-72 Kenilworth Road, Luton. Winning entry will receive our Super Champions on video tape.



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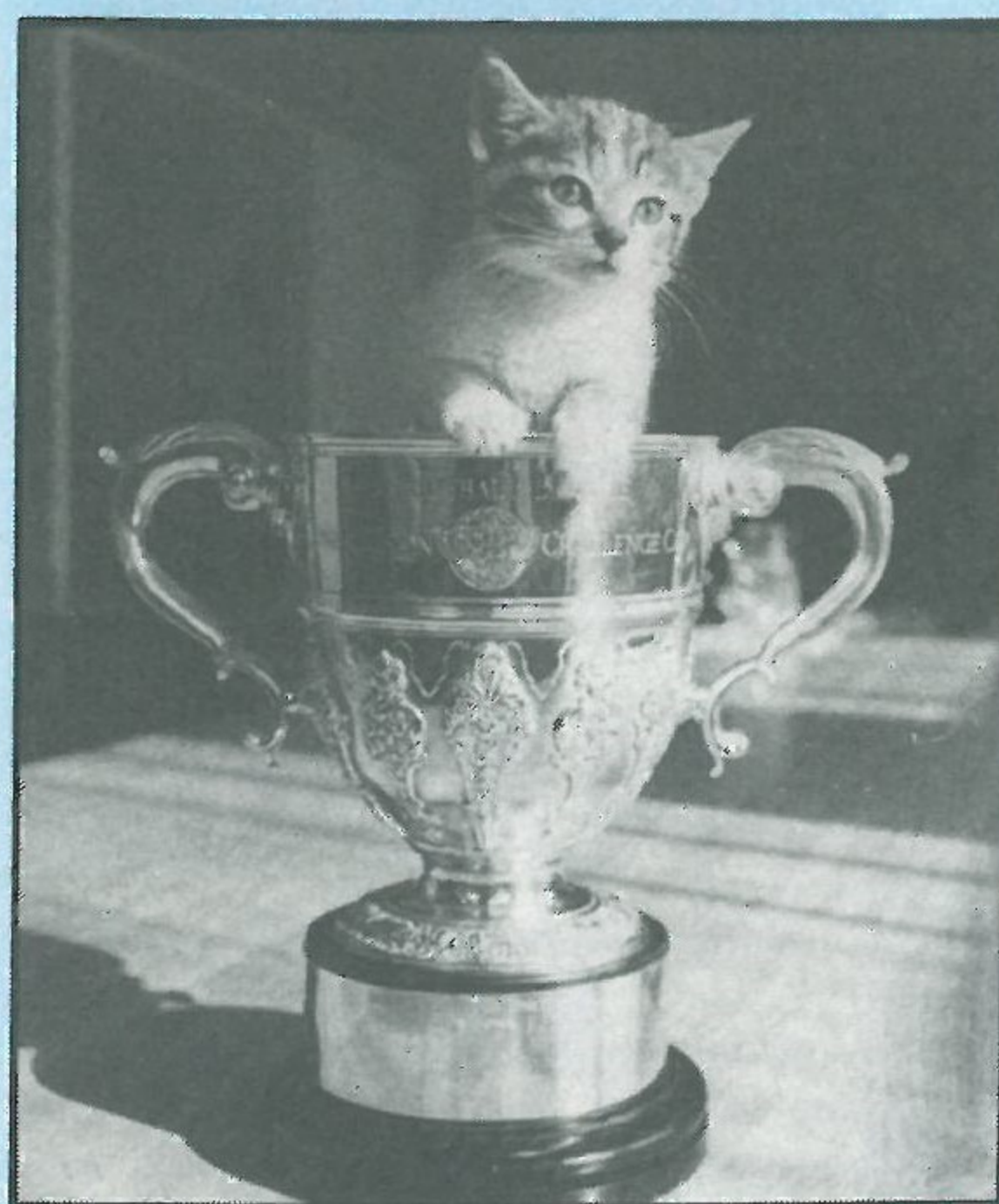
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IT'S CAT'S PLAY

This fluffy little bundle is the latest addition to the Kenilworth Road scene after being dumped on our doorstep.

Our office staff hadn't the heart to find a new home for her and immediately adopted their new little friend.

Gareth Owen took the delightful picture of the kitten enjoying life in the Second Division Championship trophy.

ANYONE FOR TENNIS?

Luton's Flint Tennis Club are looking for grants to re-surface two neglected courts at Lancaster Avenue. The cost is approximately £5,000 which, with a grant of £2,000, leaves the club with a shortfall of £3,000.

The club has started a fund-raising exercise which includes a barn dance in the Hatters Club next Friday evening. Tickets, priced £5 — which includes a buffet supper — are available

from Derek Ludlow, 210 Old Bedford Road, Luton.

CENTURY CLUB

A welcome once more to Ipswich, whom we met in the FA Cup at Kenilworth Road last season. We're sure our lads will be out for revenge and we hope we may be entertaining some guests from their club in the Century Club today.

Next Saturday, we have an executive coach travelling to West Bromwich. All seats were booked immediately the details were announced, and we are sure we had some disappointed would-be travellers.

For those of you who were unlucky this time, we propose running an executive coach to Norwich on 28th November.

Don't forget our annual general meeting next Wednesday at 7.30 p.m. in the Century Club room.

After the Charlton match, we were happy to celebrate with our steward, Frank Sumner. It was his 50th Wedding Anniversary! Congratulations from us all to you and your wife, Frank — what a wonderful score!

Our thanks are due to club member Brian Tunnard for his sponsorship at the Manchester United game. As a result of his generosity, our raffle takings were the best ever, and he has inspired another member, Mike Buckle to sponsor the game against Tottenham Hotspur. Our thanks also to the other ladies and gentlemen who have also brought us prizes this season. Your efforts enable us to increase our practical help to the football club.

CALLING IPSWICH FANS

The London Branch of the Ipswich

Town FC supporters serves London and the South-East of England. It provides members with regular newsletters, sporting and social events, but especially cheap travel to matches. Membership details may be obtained by writing to Bob Tebbit, 1 Marine Drive West, Bognor Regis, West Sussex PO21 2QA.

IN RETROSPECT

Luton Town v Ipswich Town
Division Two: 1954-55 3-2 (h) 1-3 (a). 1960-61 3-2 (h) 1-0 (a).

Division One: 1974-75 Luton 1 (Alston) Ipswich 4 (Talbot 2, (1 pen), Hamilton, Whymark).

Ipswich 0 Luton 1 (Futcher, R). Teams for last game here, 14th September 1974 . . .

LUTON: Barber, Shanks, Thomson, Anderson, Faulkner, John Ryan, Hindson, Husband, Butlin, West, Alston.
IPSWICH: Sivell, Burley, Mills, Talbot, Hunter, Beattie, Hamilton, Viljoen, Whymark, Lambert, Gates.
Attendance: 17,577.

IPSWICH THROUGH THE YEARS

Ipswich won their first ever home match in the Football League 4-2 against Southend in Division Three (South) on 27th August 1938, and their first-ever away match 1-0 at Walsall a week later.

It was not until 1974-75 that Ipswich reached the last eight of the FA Cup for the first time though they have not been beaten as early as the third round since going down to Manchester United in 1969-70.

Ray Crawford was leading scorer in Division Two in 1960-61 and in Division One in 1961-62.

Colin Viljoen netted a hat-trick for Ipswich against Portsmouth in March 1967.

Ipswich have twice been knocked out of the FA Cup by Peterborough.

Mick Burns (goalkeeper) and Tom Lang (winger) were teammates with Newcastle United in 1927 and with Ipswich Town 19 years later in October 1946.

On 1st March 1980 Kevin Beattie missed a twice taken penalty against Manchester United and Frans Thijssen missed a second penalty. Gary Bailey, son of a former Ipswich goalkeeper, saved all three shots.

PROGRAMME AWARD

A survey into Second Division match-day magazine, conducted by the City of London School, placed Luton in second position — an award we are extremely proud of.

We were awarded nine points, the same as Blackburn and Watford, out of 10, when the judges remarks on our magazine included comments such as 'excellent' and 'very good'.

NOBBY'S PROUD RECORD

Our skipper Nobby Horton can be excused for smiling as he receives his



reward for winning Cleandustrial's golf tournament at Woburn.

Nobby won with a record score and there were also excellent contributions from Kirk Stephens, Richard Money, Mark Aizlewood, Mike Saxby and physio John Sheridan. Jake Findlay was nominated best caddy.

Cleandustrial chairman Brian Cole, a Luton vice-president, is pictured presenting Nobby with his Cup.

IT'S GOT BOTTLE

Our recent Milk Cup-tie against Charlton brought some important visitors to Kenilworth Road. Pictured from left to right with Luton director Richard Banks (centre) are: Tim Meynell (Unigate), John Taylor, who works for CSS Promotions, Graham Walker, the Football League's marketing director, and Arthur Standish (Unigate). It was one of those games where Lilly Fuccillo had a lotta bottle!



BOBBERS GESTURE

Members of the Bobbers Travel Club showed an excellent gesture before the Milk Cup-tie against Charlton. They presented all our senior players with a plaque to commemorate winning the



Second Division Championship by eight points. Kirk Stephens is pictured receiving his.

TODAY'S REFEREE

LLOYD, DEREK W. (Fernhill Heath, Worcs). Commenced refereeing in 1956 and graduated through local Worcester and West Midland Regional Leagues to the Football League List. Lined the 1972 FA Amateur Cup semi-final and also two UEFA Cup matches — Hungary in 1974, and Spain in 1980. Refereed FA Trophy semi-final in 1978, and the Worcestershire Senior Cup Final in 1970, 1974 and 1982 — becoming the first referee to officiate in three County Finals.

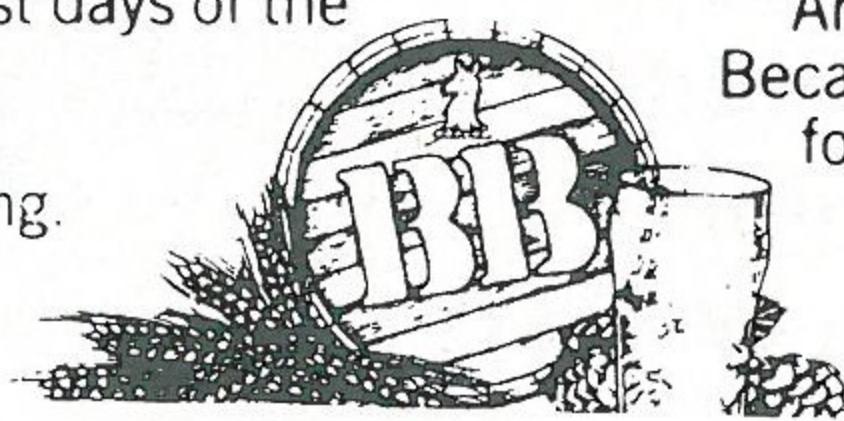
A married man, with two children, he is a Personnel/Training Officer for a Machine Tool Manufacturer. Interested in all sports, he played amateur soccer for Stoke City and as a professional for Worcester City until a knee injury cut short his playing career. Played football and cricket for Worcester schools and football for Worcestershire FA at senior level. Is a qualified MCC cricket coach to a local club and a qualified referee instructor, taking a keen interest in helping young referees. Elected chairman of the Worcester Referees' Society in 1982.

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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WHITBREAD

American servicemen in local wartime bases declared that BB, chilled, was the nearest taste to Stateside draught.

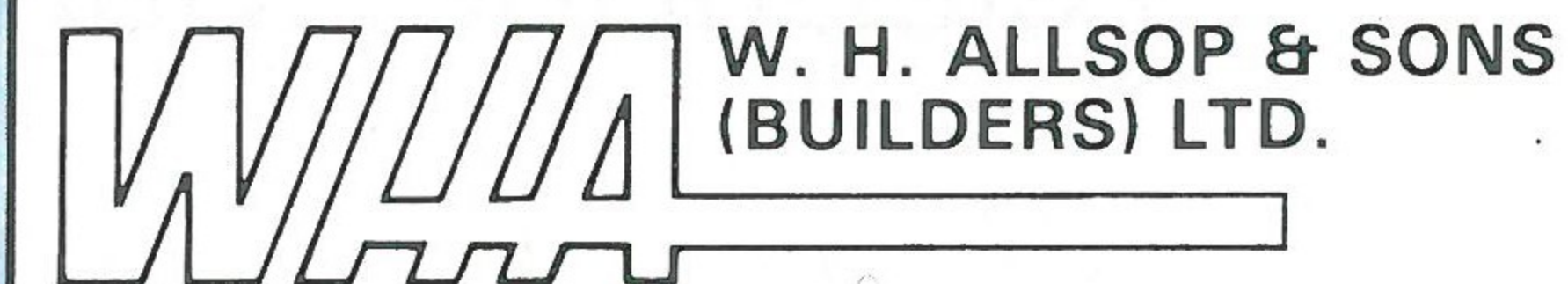
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LUTON LEISURE



Today, Luton Town welcome Ipswich. As well as being Division One colleagues with us, they are also Eastern Region friends in the Football and Community Project introduced in 1979 with Norwich, Colchester and Peterborough.

Many activities for youngsters and adults have been organised as a result of the project. Perhaps one of the most satisfying activities has been the Hatters Community Junior Netball League.

In 1980, as a result of successful netball coaching courses for young girls held at the Hatters Community Arena, a group of mothers, in conjunction with the Luton, Dunstable and District League decided to form a Summer Junior Netball League for girls under 11.

The League was most successful and, as a result, the Junior League Committee in 1982 have organised nine competitions, including one for adults. Further expansion is being planned for 1983 in the way of introducing a new under-15 years league.

In addition, the committee organise fund-raising activities as well as running two Hatters League representative sides.

The committee has devoted much time to the League, and their hard work has not gone unnoticed.

In future, magazine information will be given on many activities in Luton, including the popular football coaching courses.

Finally, we would like to congratulate and wish every success to Peter Trevivian, who worked at Ipswich on the Football and the Community Project. He has recently taken a new post, and is on the coaching staff at Ipswich.

Ideas for new activities, competitions are always helpful and needed. If you have any, or wish to obtain information on some of the activities taking place in the near future, please write to:

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

COMMERCIAL TOPICS

Our new luxury reception area in Kenilworth Road has made part of our administrative work much easier to deal with. We are now 'under one roof' which makes the job of looking after our customers more streamlined.

In fact, we are beginning to wonder if we can cater for the night shift workers because our offices open at 8 a.m. and remain open throughout the day.

When the first team are at home, we remain open until kick-off time, and start business immediately after the game has ended. So, how can we serve you?

Our match day seating tickets are always available 14 days in advance, and our lottery tickets are always on sale. Our small army of agents take advantage of our long opening hours to obtain further supplies of tickets — and agents often run out due to the popularity of our competitions.

How about souvenirs? We have a superb range of stock and, although you may not buy anything, we know you will have a difficult job resisting the temptation. But please remember, unless you buy your souvenirs at Kenilworth Road, they are not genuine Luton Town stock.

Travelling to away matches? Why not visit our travel section where coach tickets are always available to our supporters.

We also have the advantage of a special counter to sell tickets to our Junior Hatters in the special Enclosure.

The Reception area is a hive of activity and information on all aspects concerning the club. We are here only to serve you. Why not call in and pay us a visit. You won't be disappointed.

MIKE HARDWICKE
Promotions Manager

JOHN'S JOURNAL

At the start of this season, the Football League issued a directive stating that all home clubs must ensure that a substitute official is available in case of injury to any of the appointed match officials during the game.

It does not happen very often but, when it does, the club has to rely on a local official being in the crowd. With this in mind, I contacted the appropriate body with the result that Colin Stimpson, an official with vast experience of local soccer, became the first substitute official for a League match at Kenilworth Road.

This was the match against Manchester United two weeks ago and, hopefully, one will be available at every home match. Talking to Colin after the United game, he said it was a great experience for him to be involved in the pre-match build-up talks. He also felt the older officials in Bedfordshire, who have no chance to advance to the higher grade, would welcome the opportunity to get the 'feel' of a

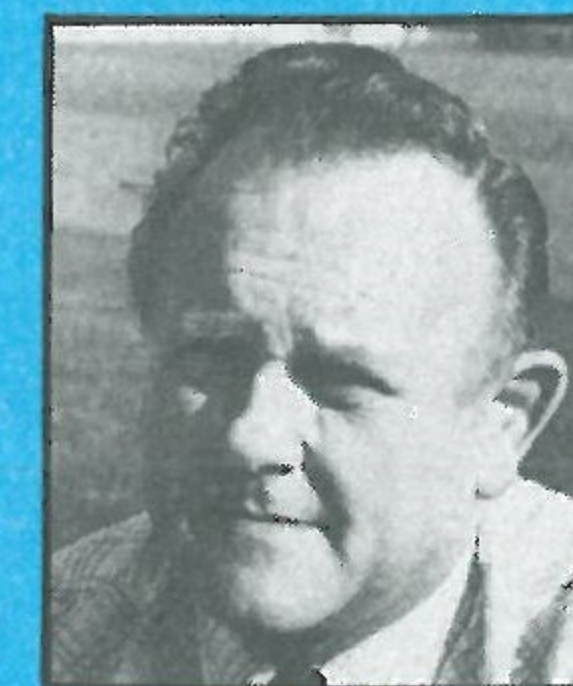
Football League match.

I also believe that providing the appointed substitute does not have to cancel an appointment to referee a game just to come to Kenilworth Road, it is a good thing. One thought in my mind at this time is that, whoever is in charge of our South East Counties League match on Saturday mornings, should be the one appointed for the afternoon. It is an idea I will put forward.

Today sees the rivalry in my household get under way for the first time this season with the visit of Ipswich Town. My son, Neil, is a avid Ipswich supporter and had the laugh on me last season when they beat us in the FA Cup.

Once again, we are featured on television. This time Gerry Harrison is here with the Anglia cameras. Perhaps some people are saying: 'Not Luton again'. We used to say the same about West Ham and Tottenham a few seasons ago. I think we can have too much exposure. New moves, players' styles and pattern of play can easily be seen by opponents. Still, when you have two attractive sides playing, I suppose it is only commonsense the cameras should be here to witness it.

JOHN WILKINSON
Secretary



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LIFT OFF FOR THE JUNIORS

The increase over the last 10 years of large sports Halls and recreation centres with spacious areas for team games has helped to make five-a-side soccer the name of the game for thousands of young people. As an interested club, Luton Town has been keen to encourage young boys to play this popular game and the success of the recent five-a-side soccer tournament in Milton Keynes is witness to that.

For the second successive year, 28 teams from the middle schools in the new city, which cater for children aged eight to 12 years, have competed for a handsome trophy donated by local-based American-Can (UK) Ltd, who also provided the money for tournament costs. The finals, held indoors at Bletchley Leisure Centre last month were of a high standard and the competitors and spectators were treated to a first class demonstration of five-a-side soccer at its most skilful by the full Luton first team squad.

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Since then, the bug has spread to Stevenage and, next Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday, a junior schools tournament will be played backed by the Stevenage and District Junior Schools FA, Comet newspaper and the Allied Building Company who, between them, will provide the money needed to cover all the costs.

Luton Town FC are again figuring prominently in this event as promoters and once again will provide a demonstration on finals night in Stevenage Leisure Centre, at 7 p.m. on Thursday 21st October. This looks like an event not to be missed by all soccer enthusiasts in the area, especially as this is the first time a First Division soccer club has visited Stevenage Leisure Centre.

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Add to this the Junior Hatters' Club five-a-side tournament, which began with League fixtures for members in two age groups, Under-12 and 12 and over for the first time last season, and you will see that the game has really caught on as a competitive team game.

This year's competition promises to be better but we need more teams, especially in the Under-12 group, and since there are 1,750 members in our Junior Hatters Club, this shouldn't be difficult, providing the adults come along too to act as team managers.

If you would like to help in any capacity contact Colin Ball or John Smylie at the club offices for further details.

farming question.

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COMMERCIAL SCENE



THE WEEKLY LOOK AT THE HATTERS COMMERCIAL SCENE



One of the impressive aspects of Luton Town Football Club are the excellent facilities we can offer businessmen and companies.

Within our main stand complex, we have facilities for dining and entertaining during the weekday or in the evening, incorporated in our Kenilworth Suite, Club 82 and the Joe Payne Lounge.

These catering facilities are under the management of Clive Hustwitt, and are helping to bring in vital income, plus providing the town's business community with a real alternative means to entertain business clients, hold seminars and meetings away from their offices.

Apart from the above, Luton offers a range of promotional opportunities to fit every kind of business.

Nineteen major companies from within the town and further afield are backing Luton this

season in the best possible way — by sponsoring matches at Kenilworth Road.

Sponsoring a match ball is also proving to be a most popular way of getting a sales message across and the ball sponsor receives a permanent souvenir of their involvement . . . the ball signed by the town stars.

Of course there is advertising in our widely read match magazine and on our Wallspan electronic scoreboard.

We firmly believe that, if you are a businessman and want to promote the Hatters, you could do no better than put money into the town's football team, rather than costly advertising campaigns.

If you require further details, please ring Clive Hustwitt, Mike Beevor or myself on Luton 411622.

BILL TOMLINS
Business Development Director

SCENE ON ONE

A weekly feature which puts the spotlight on the First Division scene.

SWANSEA'S LUCKY 13

Swansea City have been making a special contribution to this season's goals bonanza. With the season barely six weeks old, as many as 13 of their players had their names among the Swans' goalscorers.

Max Thompson reckoned he was a lucky 13th when he headed home their opening goal in the 2-0 victory over Tottenham. It was his first game in the First Division this season.

The Swans' goals burst was greatly enhanced by their 17-0 aggregate victory over Sliema Wanderers in the European Cup-winners' Cup when manager John Toshack used the opportunity to field some of his reserve players. Ian Walsh fired a hat-trick in the first leg with Darren Gale scoring twice in the return game. Neither had played in their League team this season.

One of the most elated young men in the country this week was Stoke city's outside-right Mark Chamberlain who was included in the England squad for Wednesday's friendly international against West Germany. Less than five months ago he was playing for Port Vale in a Fourth Division match watched by just over 2,000 people.

During the summer he was transferred to neighbouring Stoke for £150,000 and settled down so remarkably quickly in the First Division that, with only eight games behind him, Mark found himself on the threshold of an international career.

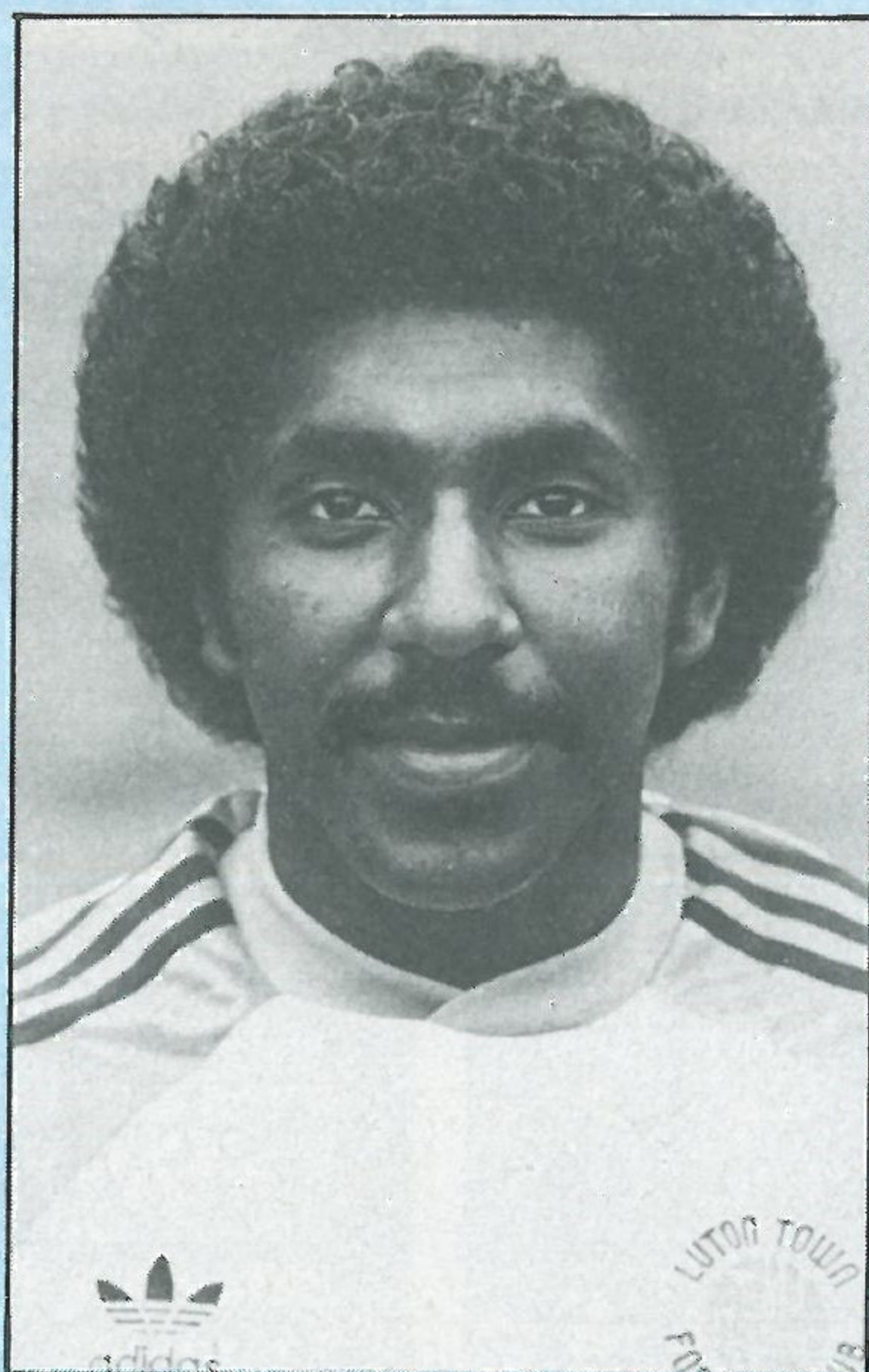
Earlier it had been his brother Neville who had expected to reach the top first. Neville made his debut for Port Vale in 1978-79 but it wasn't until the following season that Mark got his chance.

Bob Paisley twice asked Mark to sign for Liverpool during the summer but the player chose Stoke. 'I didn't think I would be good enough to get into the Liverpool side,' he said.

With our own Ricky Hill also in the England squad again, Bobby Robson's selection contained no fewer than six coloured players. Luther Blissett and John Barnes, both of Watford, Cyrille Regis (WBA) and Viv Anderson (Nottingham Forest) were the others.

The day may not be too far away when the England team contains more coloured players than whites. This situation would be welcomed by fans who have been demanding a more positive outlook from England teams. It's a fact that the majority of the best coloured footballers are forwards or midfield players.

Viv Anderson is one of the few who play in the back four and it is even rarer to see a coloured goalkeeper. An injury to Manchester City's Joe Corrigan did give Alex Williams a few more games at First Division level to display his skills but he is believed to be only the second coloured goalkeeper to appear in the First Division.



RICKY HILL

How does a manager set about motivating his players after they have received an eight-goal hammering? Alan Durban faced this task after his Sunderland side had been crushed at Watford.

'It's very difficult,' he admitted. 'I was worried on the day of our next game, at home to Norwich, for several of the players were visibly scared of losing again. Their confidence had left them.'

'If Norwich had scored in the first-half I think it could have been disastrous for us. Happily, it was 0-0 at the interval and afterwards we really went to town. A 4-1 victory had the players believing in themselves again.'

Gary Rowell scored two of Sunderland's goals with Ally McCoist and John Cooke netting the others.

Coventry City derived a quick advantage from the exchange deal which sent Tom English to Leicester and took Jim Melrose to Highfield Road. Melrose celebrated his Coventry debut with a hat-trick against Everton and he opened the scoring for the Sky Blues at Manchester City in his next game though, on that occasion, Coventry lost the game 2-3.

When Coventry played at Everton they fielded the Thompson brothers together in the First Division for the first time. Earlier, when Garry had been injured, manager Dave Sexton blooded his brother Keith as

his replacement. When Garry returned to the side, Keith became substitute and was called on in place of Steve Hunt.

Lawrie McMenemy appears to have the world's problems on his shoulders at the moment. Still devastated by Kevin Keegan's walk-out on the eve of this new season, and looking for a replacement for former England striker Mike Channon who left at the end of last season, the Southampton manager found himself without two more first teamers for the home game against Notts County.

Striker Steve Moran and centre-back Mark Wright had been detained by Swedish police following an incident after their disastrous UEFA Cup-tie in Norrkoping. On top of this he is likely to lose yet another England international, Alan Ball, who is expected to join the Hong Kong club, Eastern Athletic, managed by Bobby Moore.

'We've lost far too many people too quickly,' shrugged Mr McMenemy. 'It takes time to sort these things out and, in the meantime, we have suffered one or two heavy defeats.'

'But the ship's not sinking. It's rocking a little bit, that's all. I'm not going to leave. I'm going to put the situation right again.'

The Saints' boss received a standing ovation from the home crowd after Southampton had beaten Notts County 1-0. It was just the assurance he needed after such a series of disasters.

Liverpool's defeat at Ipswich ended an unbeaten run of 23 First Division games by the Anfield club and was their first away defeat in the League since they lost at Swansea last February.

When Liverpool's record had gone, the longest unbeaten runs in First Division football belonged to Manchester United and West Ham who had not been beaten in five games. The Hatters came next with four.

Manchester United are poised to top the country's attendance chart for the 11th season in succession. Old Trafford's average crowd is already some 12,000 higher than their closest rivals.

Leading positions:

	Aggre	Ave
1. Man Utd	178,197	44,549
2. Liverpool	129,407	32,352
3. Tottenham	128,904	32,226
4. Man City	111,219	27,805
5. Arsenal	110,121	27,530
6. Everton	92,399	23,100

Figures are for League games only. At the other end of the table the position is:

17. Stoke City	65,484	16,371
18. Swansea	60,109	15,027
19. Luton	50,825	12,706
20. Brighton	47,257	11,814
21. Coventry	38,110	9,528
22. Notts County	35,088	8,772

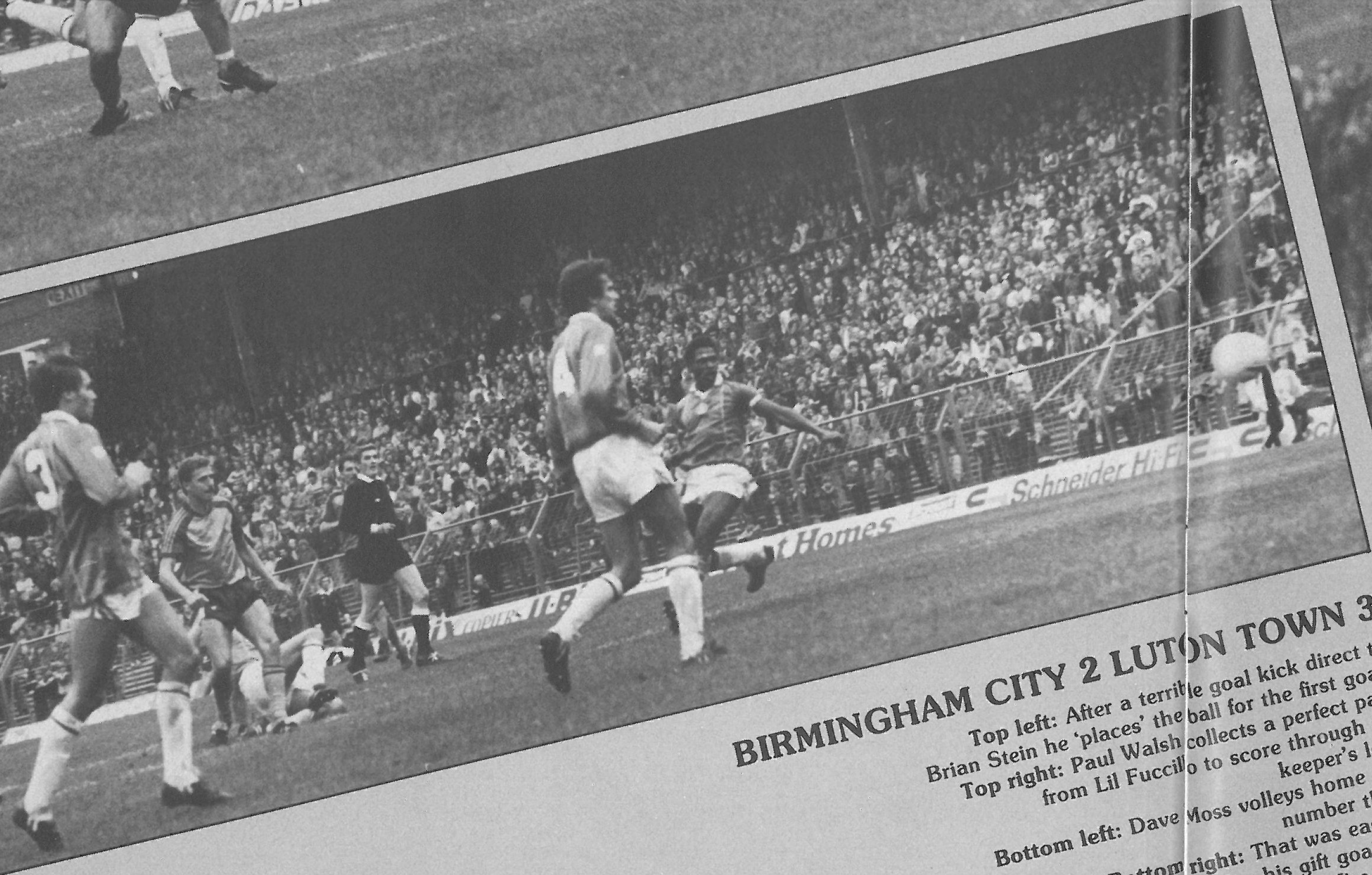
Only five First Division clubs are showing an increase on last season's final average figures. The Hatters, and our promotion colleagues Watford and Norwich, are among them. Otherwise only Arsenal and Stoke City can point to a rise.

COLOUR SHOT

You won't find Rene McNamara airing her dirty washing in public - she does it in the laundry room at Kenilworth Road. Rene is responsible for washing countless shirts, socks, shorts and towels and, judging by the way our lads turn out for games, she makes a good job of it.



ACTION



BIRMINGHAM CITY 2 LUTON TOWN 3

Top left: After a terrible goal kick direct to Brian Stein he 'places' the ball for the first goal.

Top right: Paul Walsh collects a perfect pass from Lil Fucillo to score through the keeper's legs!

Bottom left: Dave Moss volleys home goal number three.

Bottom right: That was easy! — Brian after his gift goal from keeper Jim Blyth.

IPSWICH TOWN

Bobby Ferguson's first weeks as the Ipswich manager were something of a nightmare. His team failed to win any of its opening six League games and found itself in bottom place in the First Division.

But, true to the Ipswich tradition set by his predecessor Bobby Robson, Mr Ferguson did not allow panic to set in. And, once they had put a spanking 6-0 away victory over Notts County behind them, Ipswich really looked as if they were on the way back to the top.

They then became the first side to defeat Liverpool this season — by 1-0 at Portman Road — after they had only narrowly failed to survive in the UEFA Cup. During their poor run, Ipswich had been beaten 3-0 by Roma in Italy. At Portman Road they made a spirited fight of it to win the second leg 3-1, which wasn't quite good enough.

Ipswich lost two key figures during the summer months. While Bobby Robson moved on to become the England manager, they also lost Dutch international midfielder star Ar-

nold Muhren, who moved to Manchester United at the expiry of his contract.

We can expect to see Ipswich line-up in a 4-4-2 formation with internationals Paul Mariner (England) and Alan Brazil (Scotland) forming the strike force.

Mariner, who has on three occasions been Ipswich's top scorer, was hoping to win his 28th cap against West Germany at Wembley this week. He was an ever-present member of the England team during the World Cup in Spain. Paul began his career with Plymouth and, after leading their scorers for the second time in 1975-76, he moved on to Ipswich the following season for £220,000.

Brazil was Ipswich's leading scorer with 28 goals last season and it was after an astonishing five-goal hit against Southampton that he won his recall to the Scotland team. He played in the World Cup in Spain and, if he was in the side for this week's clash with East Germany at Hampden Park, he will have won his tenth

cap. Alan made his League debut for Ipswich in 1978 and scored 13 goals in 1979-80 and 18 the following season.

Mr Ferguson received another setback when both his strikers were injured for the vital game against Liverpool. One of the voids was filled by the recall of Mich D'Avray who scored the only goal of the match. Mich was born in South Africa but he joined Ipswich as an apprentice and worked his way up through the junior sides. He made his League debut in 1979-80 but he has so far been limited to around a couple of dozen outings in the first team.

Eric Gates, who normally plays in midfield these days, moved into the attack for the Liverpool game but Ipswich also had another forward on the substitute's bench — Kevin O'Callaghan.

Gates, who scored 15 goals last season, has been capped twice by England. Eric made his First Division bow in 1974 and later threatened to leave the club when he failed to win a

regular place. Happily, he stayed and he has been a fixture in the first team for the best part of the past five years.

Though O'Callaghan is unable to break into the Ipswich team, he has been a regular member of the Republic of Ireland national team for the past two seasons. He started his career with Millwall and, though he played only 20 League games for the Lions, Ipswich appreciated his potential and invested £250,000 in his transfer three seasons ago.

At full strength, the Ipswich midfield would line up with Frans Thijssen, John Wark, Gates and Steve McCall.

Thijssen is an experienced Dutch international who joined Ipswich from Twente Enschede for £200,000 in 1979. For three seasons he played on the opposite side of the midfield to his Dutch colleague Muhren but last season he was hit by injuries. He was injured again in the Liverpool game and had to leave the field.

Wark played in all Scotland's World Cup games in Spain and was aiming for his 19th cap against East Germany. John started in the Ipswich youth team and has developed into a prolific goalscorer. He scored 15 in 1979-80, 36 the following season and

IPSWICH ARE ON THE WAY BACK

added 23 last season.

McCall is a most versatile player. He was normally considered as a forward but he spent the whole of last season at left-back. Steve made his League debut in 1979-80.

The versatile Mick Mills returned to midfield for the Liverpool game. Mick, who skippered the England team in Spain for the World Cup, has played for both club and country in midfield and in both full-back positions. He won 42 caps but it now looks as if England's new manager is looking for younger players. Mick was discarded by Portsmouth as a youth but has now smashed the Ipswich club record for appearances and he's now only some ten games away from his 600th League appearance for the club.

England's two centre-backs Terry Butcher and Russell Osman play in the middle of the defence.

Butcher was one of England's biggest stars in Spain and he was expected to pick up his tenth cap at

Wembley this week. Terry has been in the Ipswich side since 1978 and was earlier capped at Under-21 level.

Osman was an instant success when making his debut in 1977 and, after gaining England Under-21 honours, he took his full cap total to seven in the match against Denmark in Copenhagen last month.

George Burley recovered from injury to reclaim the right-back position last season and, when Mills recently switched to midfield, the left-back spot was filled by Irvin Gernon.

Burley has been an Ipswich first-teamer since 1973 and was honoured by Scotland at Under-21 and Under-23 levels before gaining full international honours. He was in the Scotland squad for this week's clash with East Germany and, if he played, he will now have 12 full caps.

Gernon was introduced to First Division football last season when he made four appearances.

Laurie Sivell recently reclaimed the goalkeeping position from Paul Cooper. Sivell, one of the smallest goalkeepers in the game, first appeared in the Ipswich League team in 1969-70. There have been several periods when he has played in the reserves and, during one of those spells in 1978-79, he spent a short loan period with Lincoln City.

Cooper was a striker in his early days with Shrewsbury but he switched to goalkeeping and signed for Birmingham. Paul made 17 League appearances for the Blues before initially signing for Ipswich on loan in 1974. The transfer was quickly completed for £30,000.

Despite their poor start to the season, Ipswich have still suffered only one away defeat in the First Division. That was at Manchester United (1-3). Their other away games ended in draws at Brighton (1-1) and West Ham (1-1) and that remarkable victory over Notts County (6-0).

Ipswich won the FA Cup in 1978 but, though they've finished in the top three places in the First Division five times over the past eight seasons (and been runners-up for the past two), the League Championship has eluded them since Alf Ramsey's team shook the world by lifting the title at the end of the club's debut season in the top flight back in 1962.

But they have recovered in time this season to make yet another challenge for top place.



Back row (left to right): Tommy Parkin, Kevin O'Callaghan, Tony Kinsella, Irvin Gernon, John Linford, Kevin Steggles, Russell Osman, Trevor Putney, David Barnes.

Middle row: Charlie Woods (First Team Coach), Bobby Ferguson (Team Manager), Mich D'Avray, Alan Brazil, Laurie Sivell, Paul Cooper, Steve McCall, John Wark, Brian Owen (Reserve Team Coach).

Front row: Terry Butcher, Paul Mariner, Frans Thijssen, Mick Mills, Robin Turner, George Burley, Eric Gates.



BOBBY FERGUSON

POINTS ATTENDANCES GOALS TABLES

	Points	Position	Findlay	Stephens	Money	Horton	Goodyear	Donaghy	Hill	Stein	Walsh	Antic	Moss	Turner	Kellock	Judge	Fucillo	Own Goal	
1982																			
August																			
28 Tottenham Hotspur	2-2	35,195	1	—	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11				
31 West Ham United	0-2	13,403	1	—	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11				
September																			
4 Notts County	5-3	9,071	4	—	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11				
8 Aston Villa	1-4	18,823	4	—	1	2	—	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	3	12		
11 Liverpool	3-3	33,694	5	1+	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	10	—	—		
18 Brighton & Hove Albion	5-0	11,342	8	11	—	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	—	—	1		
25 Stoke City	4-4	18,475	9	12	—	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	—	1			
October																			
2 Manchester United	1-1	17,009	10	12	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	10+	—	—	
5 Charlton Athletic (MC2-1L)	3-0	7,030	—	—	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	—	—	—	10		
9 Birmingham City	3-2	13,772	13	8	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	—	—	—	10		
16 Ipswich Town																			
23 West Bromwich Albion																			
26 Charlton Athletic (MC2-2L)																			
30 Nottingham Forest																			
November																			
6 Arsenal																			
13 Sunderland																			
20 Coventry City																			
27 Southampton																			
December																			
4 Swansea City																			
11 Manchester City																			
18 Everton																			
27 Watford																			
28 Norwich City																			
1983																			
January																			
1 Coventry City																			
4 West Ham United																			
8 FA Cup (3)																			
15 Tottenham Hotspur																			
22 Brighton & Hove Albion																			
29 FA Cup (4)																			
February																			
5 Liverpool																			
12 Manchester United																			
19 Birmingham City																			
26 Ipswich Town																			
March																			
5 West Bromwich Albion																			
12 Nottingham Forest																			
19 Arsenal																			
26 Sunderland																			
April																			
2 Norwich City																			
4 Watford																			
9 Aston Villa																			
16 Notts County																			
23 Swansea City																			
30 Southampton																			
May																			
2 Stoke City																			
7 Everton																			
14 Manchester City																			
21 FA Cup Final																			



Eighty-six year old Neville Taylor has quite a record when it comes to watching Luton Town. He's seen over 1,000 home games and we think he's now our oldest fan. Neville, who lives in Maulden, is pictured before the Manchester United game with George Pearce on the pitch.



These five youngsters have good reason to look pleased with life. They are our mascot and escorts at the Manchester United game and are children of Vauxhall Motors employees. They were selected for the United match as part of our sponsorship involving Bedford Trucks.

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+ Player replaced by substitute

* Own Goal

● Goalscorer

Home fixtures in bold

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FOOTBALL COMBINATION FIXTURES 1982-83

	F	A
Aug. 28 Watford 7.30	0-1	
Sept. 1 Norwich City	3-0	
Sept. 13 Brighton 7.30	1-0	
Sept. 22 Oxford United	3-1	
Sept. 27 West Ham United 7.30	1-1	
Oct. 5 Crystal Palace	P	
Oct. 9 Birmingham City 3.00	0-3	
Oct. 16 Ipswich Town		
Oct. 23 Q.P.R. 3.00		
Nov. 6 Arsenal		
Nov. 9 Fulham		
Nov. 15 Leicester City 2.15		
Nov. 20 Swansea City 3.00		
Nov. 27 Southampton		
Dec. 6 Bristol Rovers 2.15		
Dec. 14 Chelsea		
Dec. 20 Charlton Athletic 2.15		
Dec. 28 Reading 2.15		
Jan. 1 Swindon Town		
Jan. 3 Fulham 2.15		
Jan. 10 Tottenham Hotspur 2.15		
Jan. 15 Watford		
Jan. 24 Oxford United 2.15		
Jan. 29 Swansea City		
Feb. 5 Brighton & Hove Albion		
Feb. 7 Millwall		
Feb. 14 Crystal Palace 2.15		
Feb. 22 Birmingham City		
Feb. 26 Ipswich Town 3.00		
Mar. 8 Q.P.R.		
Mar. 14 Millwall 7.30		
Mar. 19 Arsenal 3.00		
Mar. 30 Leicester City		
April 2 Reading		
April 9 Tottenham Hotspur		
April 11 Norwich City 7.30		
April 18 Swindon Town 7.30		
April 26 Bristol Rovers		
April 30 Southampton 3.00		
May 3 West Ham United		
May 10 Charlton Athletic		
May 16 Chelsea 7.30		

DIVISION ONE HOT SHOTS

(including League and Milk Cup games)

Brian Stein (Luton Town)	10
Luther Blissett (Watford)	8
Jim Melrose (Coventry)	7
Gary Brooke (Tottenham)	6
Bob Latchford (Swansea)	6
Cyrille Regis (W.B.A.)	6
Ian Rush (Liverpool)	6
Paul Walsh (Luton Town)	6

FIRST DIVISION ATTENDANCES 1982-83

	Highest	Average
Manchester United	48,673	44,266(5)
Liverpool	35,652	32,372(4)
Tottenham	35,195	30,022(5)
Manchester City	29,617	27,805(4)
Arsenal	36,429	27,530(4)
West Ham United	32,500	23,999(5)
Everton	30,553	23,502(5)
Ipswich Town	25,000	21,183(5)
Aston Villa	22,945	21,059(4)
Southampton	21,700	18,647(4)
W.B.A.	25,300	18,180(5)
Sunderland	21,137	17,630(5)
Watford	19,630	17,622(5)
Norwich City	22,638	17,030(4)
Nott'm Forest	23,956	16,584(4)
Stoke City	18,475	16,371(4)
Swansea City	20,322	15,027(4)
Birmingham	20,176	14,782(5)
Luton Town	17,009	12,706(4)
Brighton	13,641	11,626(5)
Coventry	10,356	9,528(4)
Notts County	9,376	8,816(5)

Up to and incl. Sat. 9th Oct.

DIVISION ONE TABLE 1982-83

	Home					Away					Pts		
	P	W	D	L	F	A	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Manchester United	9	4	1	0	9	2	2	1	1	6	4	20	
West Ham United	9	3	1	1	14	5	3	0	1	7	4	19	
W.B.A.	9	4	0	1	12	4	2	0	2	6	6	18	
Watford	9	4	1	0	17	3	1	1	2	5	5	17	
Liverpool	9	3	1	0	14	6	2	1	2	6	4	17	
Tottenham Hotspur	9	3	1	1	17	5	2	0	2	4	6	16	
Manchester City	9	3	0	1	5	3	2	0	3	6	9	15	
Luton Town	9	2	1	1	11	6	1	3	1	13	15	13	
Stoke City	9	2	1	1	10	9	2	0	3	7	6	13	
Nottingham Forest	9	3	0	1	7	3	1	0	4	8	15	12	
Aston Villa	9	3	0	1	11	5							

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