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# Luton believe in attack...

by TONY PULLEIN

Luton Town, runaway champions of the Second Division last season, are realistic enough to appreciate that they are not going to win the League Championship just yet. So manager David Pleat has pledged his team to play the sort of rip-roaring attacking football that sends the fans home happy.



DAVID PLEAT

The Hatters' first seven League games produced 38 goals — very nearly six per game!

This included a 5-3 home win over Notts County, a 5-0 thrashing of Brighton and a 4-4 thriller at Stoke.

It was too much to expect them to maintain such bright and breezy performances every week. Indeed, that enterprise has sometimes backfired on them and a run of recent adverse results has put them in the lower half of the table.

But Luton showed real character last Saturday when, trailing 0-2 at home to Arsenal with half an hour to go, they appeared to be heading for their fourth successive defeat. The goals from David Moss and Paul Walsh pulled them level and they held on for a point. It was Walsh's seventh goal of the season, Moss's sixth.

Luton play 4-3-3- with Moss on the wing and Walsh and Brian Stein as the strike force. Prior to this week's League Cup tie against Blackpool, Stein was Luton's top scorer with 10 goals, including a hat-trick against Brighton.

Ricky Hill, who has won his first two England caps this season, and Brian Horton have been the two regulars in midfield. Raddy Antic and Pasquale Fuccillo have been battling it out for the third position and Billy Kellock, a £25,000 summer signing from Peterborough, has also been tried here.

Since right-back Kirk requested a transfer, the defence has been changed around. Mal Donaghy, a versatile player who has appeared at centre-back and in midfield for Northern Ireland, last week took over at right-back, with Richard Money joining Clive Goodyear in the middle of the defence. Young Wayne Turner, who is really a midfielder, returned for another outing at left-back. Jake Findlay continues to perform with distinction in goal.

Luton have won only one away game this season so far — at Birmingham (3-2) in October. But they have picked up creditable points at Tottenham (2-2), Liverpool (3-3) and Stoke (4-4). The Hatters were beaten at Aston Villa (1-4) and W.B.A. (0-1) in the First Division and at Charlton (0-2) in the Milk Cup.

As they had already won their home leg against Charlton by 3-0, Luton qualified for last Tuesday night's home tie against Blackpool. We welcome them warmly.

# ALAN DURBAN

We have at Roker Park today Luton Town, whose attractive football has made them a welcome addition to the First Division.

I have known their manager David Pleat a long time and I am not surprised they have made an impact 'upstairs' after winning the Second Division championship last season.

We expected Mick Mills to be making his debut for us this afternoon, but as you will all know he decided instead to join Southampton after giving us his word that he would sign for Sunderland.

The essence of good manners is to deal kindly with the bad and I think that sums up my feelings on his decision and also the way we tried to deal with it.

It is history now and we have more important things on our plate even to consider it further.

Next week we have Nick Pickering and Barry Venison in the England Under-21 squad for the European Championships match against Greece in Athens and also Jimmy Nicholl in the Northern Ireland squad for their game against West Germany.

I think it is beneficial for young players to mix with the full England squad, as will happen again next week. It means that they will not be overawed when they break through to the full England team and it also gives them a lift and furthers their football education.

If as expected, Jimmy plays for Northern Ireland, it will be his 50th cap — a fine achievement and congratulations are in order.

But for now it's on with the business of trying to take three points out of Luton Town. I thank you all for your support.

*The picture tells the story of Alan's feelings at last Monday's 'Mick Mills' Press Conference.*



## Trevor is one of the Lucky ones . .



But the best birthday present of all comes this afternoon when he leads out our players against Luton.

The youngster from York Street in Jarrow is naturally excited about rubbing shoulders with his favourite player Gary Rowell — that's really something to tell his friends at Ellison Junior School — but for every lucky boy (and we've had a couple of girls!) there are many disappointed would-be mascots.

Since Alan Durban started the mascot scheme last season the club has been inundated with applications. The thought of running on to Roker Park with the players undoubtedly has enormous appeal.

Sadly, it is just not possible to accommodate all the youngsters who write in and Alan Durban's secretary, Mrs. Karen Brien, who has the heartbreaking task of replying to all the applications, told *ROKER REVIEW*: "For every youngster who drops lucky there are dozens who are unlucky.

"Just as we had last season we already have too many for this season. Letters pour in every week and all we can do is write back and say our match list for mascots is complete.

"I know how much pleasure the kids get — to say nothing of the parents and grandparents — when they are chosen. I also appreciate the disappointment when they get a letter saying 'sorry, we can't help you this season'.

"Right now the best advice I can give is that there really is no point in writing for this season."

So there you have it. Trevor Clark is the lucky laddie today — watched by dozens who would give almost anything to be in his Sunderland strip. The club thanks every youngster and parent for their letters. But . . .



# LUTON TOWN

BACK ROW (left to right): Robert Johnson, Wayne Turner, Stacey North, Mitchell Thomas, Clive Goodyear, Frankie Bunn, Billy Kellock, Paul Walsh.  
MIDDLE ROW (left to right): John Morre (Coach), Richard Money, Mike Saxby, Andy Beasley, Jake Findlay, Alan Judge, Mark Aizlewood, Pasquale Fuccillo, Trevor Hartley (Coach).  
FRONT ROW (left to right): David Coates (Team Coach), Ricky Hill, Mal Donaghy, Kirk Stephens, Brian Horton (Captain), David Pleat (Manager), David Moss, Brian Stein, Raddy Antic, John Sheirdan (Physiotherapist).



**DAVID PLEAT (Manager).** Soccer thinker and fully qualified F.A. Coach, David Pleat has quietly won an enviable reputation in football in his first job as manager of a League side.

To many people, Luton were taking a big risk when they promoted him to the Manager's office in the spring of 1978. He inherited a team on the slide, and it took him two years to complete an upheaval in the playing staff.

Luton came close to relegation, but he persevered and is now acknowledged as the inspiration for a side determined to play attractive and entertaining football.

After going close in season 79/80 and 80/81, Pleat finally achieved an ambition of taking Luton to the First Division as Champions after a record season in which they lost only four games in season 81/82.

**RICKY HILL** Voted player of the year by Luton supporters last season, Hill's talent has moved Luton Manager, David Pleat, to ask Ron Greenwood to consider him for England duty. West Ham fancied

him when he was 14 and playing in schoolboy football in North London, but Luton got in first to sign him as a youth. He made his league debut when he was 17, in 1976, marked it with a goal, and has been destroying opposing midfielders and scoring regularly ever since.

**DAVID MOSS** Overnight success took nearly ten years for left-winger, Moss. He had been happy playing for his local club, Swindon, for nine seasons, mostly in the Third Division. Luton took him into the Second Division in exchange for a £110,000 cheque and he was an immediate hit. He makes goals and takes them, and has already passed the 100 total in the Football League.

Outstanding crosser of a ball, and a cool penalty kick expert. He had a brief and successful spell in the N.A.S.L. with Tampa Bay Rowdies.

**WAYNE TURNER** A place in Luton's league squad was just reward for a player who has been brought up through schools and youth football at Kenilworth Road. A local boy

who can play in defence or midfield, he is one of several young players coming through to challenge established names for places in their Second Division side. He had a season's spell on loan to Lincoln City during season 81/82.

**PASQUALE FUCCILLO** Son of Italian parents living in Bedford, midfielder Fuccillo has had to work harder than most to made the grade. He made rapid progress through Luton's junior teams and made his league debut in 1976, when he was 19.

Tragedy halted his career twice: he broke his leg in a match at Brighton in December, 1978, started a comeback then broke it again in a practice game. It took more than a year to regain fitness the second time.

He has a knack of breaking forward to score, and marked his second comeback with a goal in his first match back in the Second Division.

**RADDY ANTIC** (pronounced 'Anteesh'). An elegant Yugoslav with five

caps, Antic was Luton's first continental signing. They got him for a £50,000 bargain price after he played for Zaragossa in Spain where supporters staged protest demonstrations when the transfer was announced.

Effective in defence or midfield, and equipped with a spellbinding ability to bend shots both ways, he has become a firm favourite with Luton fans.

**MAL DONAGHY** One of David Pleat's first deals snatched inexperienced defender Donaghy from Larne, Northern Ireland, in the summer of 1978. Now, at 21, he has proved to be a snip at £20,000. He settled into Second Division soccer without fuss, and is happy playing in any back four position or in midfield, and his promotion to the Northern Ireland international team surprised no one at Luton. Represented his country in their World Cup campaign in Spain.

**JAKE FINDLAY** A goalkeeper who had languished in the reserves at Aston Villa for nine years, Findlay's huge hands grasped the chance immediately when David Pleat offered him the green jersey at Luton. The mystery now, as far as Luton supporters are concerned, is why Jock Stein has not taken Pleat's advice to give big Jake a Scottish international cap.

Luton paid their highest ever fee for a goalkeeper when they parted with £100,000 for Findlay in November, 1979. He has been a steadying influence behind the Club's success during the last three seasons.

**FRANK BUNN** A Birmingham lad who has been a reliable Reserve goalscorer and is eagerly awaiting his first team chances. Fine appearance in season 80/81, he is strong and forceful, and an intelligent front runner.

**ALAN JUDGE** Spotted by Luton playing schoolboy soccer in Hertfordshire, Judge has one of the hardest jobs in Kenilworth Road — understudy to a goalkeeper who never seems to lose form. He joined Luton as an apprentice in 1976, but his league chances have been restricted by Findlay's consistency.

He has always performed well in vital Second Division games when called upon. Could have a big future.

**BRIAN HORTON** Luton abandoned their normal policy when they paid a modest fee to Brighton for Horton's signature — he was the First Division player Manager David Pleat had signed in three years as boss. The midfielder was immediately appointed Cub Captain at Luton. He had also been skipper at Brighton in their run from the Third Division to the First.

He joined Luton with a well earned reputation for consistency — he made more than 200 appearances for each of his previous clubs, Brighton and Port Vale.

**KIRK STEVENS** David Pleat took a chance with an unknown player from non-league soccer when he went back to his old club Nuneaton to recruit their young right back. Stephens rapidly switched to full-time soccer, forced his way into Luton's Second Division side in a matter of weeks, and is now in his third season as a regular. He has now realised his ambition when he became a full-time player. His tackling and accurate passing have made him a vital link in the Club's success.

**MARK AIZLEWOOD** Several clubs had noticed the talent of a young defender playing for Newport County in the Fourth Division when Luton decided to take the plunge. They paid £50,000 for the 18 year old left back in the summer of 1978, and he has been a regular member of their First Team Squad ever since. He has been capped by Wales at youth and under-21 levels.

**MIKE SAXBY** David Pleat's amazing ability to spot bargains in the lower divisions of the Football League took centre-half Saxby to Kenilworth Road in the summer of 1979. But Third Division Mansfield knew that their 21 year old six-footer was something special, and Luton were happy enough to pay their Club record fee of £200,000 to get him. An injury against Crystal Palace in November, 1981, caused the centre half to miss most of the promotion campaign, but he is now regaining fitness in an attempt to regain his place.

**MICHAEL SMALL** Represented England in the Under 21's Championship in Australia. Powerful front player, with good change of pace. Now 20, he has scored goals regularly at Reserves level.

**BRIAN STIEN** For a centre-forward, Brian Stein looks too small and light. But opposing centre-halves have rarely been able to hold him in check as ball skill turns them all ways. He was a 20 year old part-timer with Edgware Town when Luton persuaded him to try his luck in October, 1977. He made his league debut within a month, and has never looked back, scoring some fine goals and causing problems with his fast, accurate dribbling.

**CLIVE GOODYEAR** This 21 year old, 6ft centre-half was recommended by a former playing colleague of Pleat. His determination and application have stood him in good stead. Seizing on his opportunity when Saxby got injured, Goodyear gained a Championship medal in his first season in the Football League.

**RICHARD MONEY** Luton signed the ex-Scunthorpe and Fulham player hours before the 81/82 deadline after a month's loan from Liverpool. A superb professional, his passing and athleticism proved a sound acquisition, as Luton remained unbeaten. He is expected to be a sound base for the Club's future hopes.

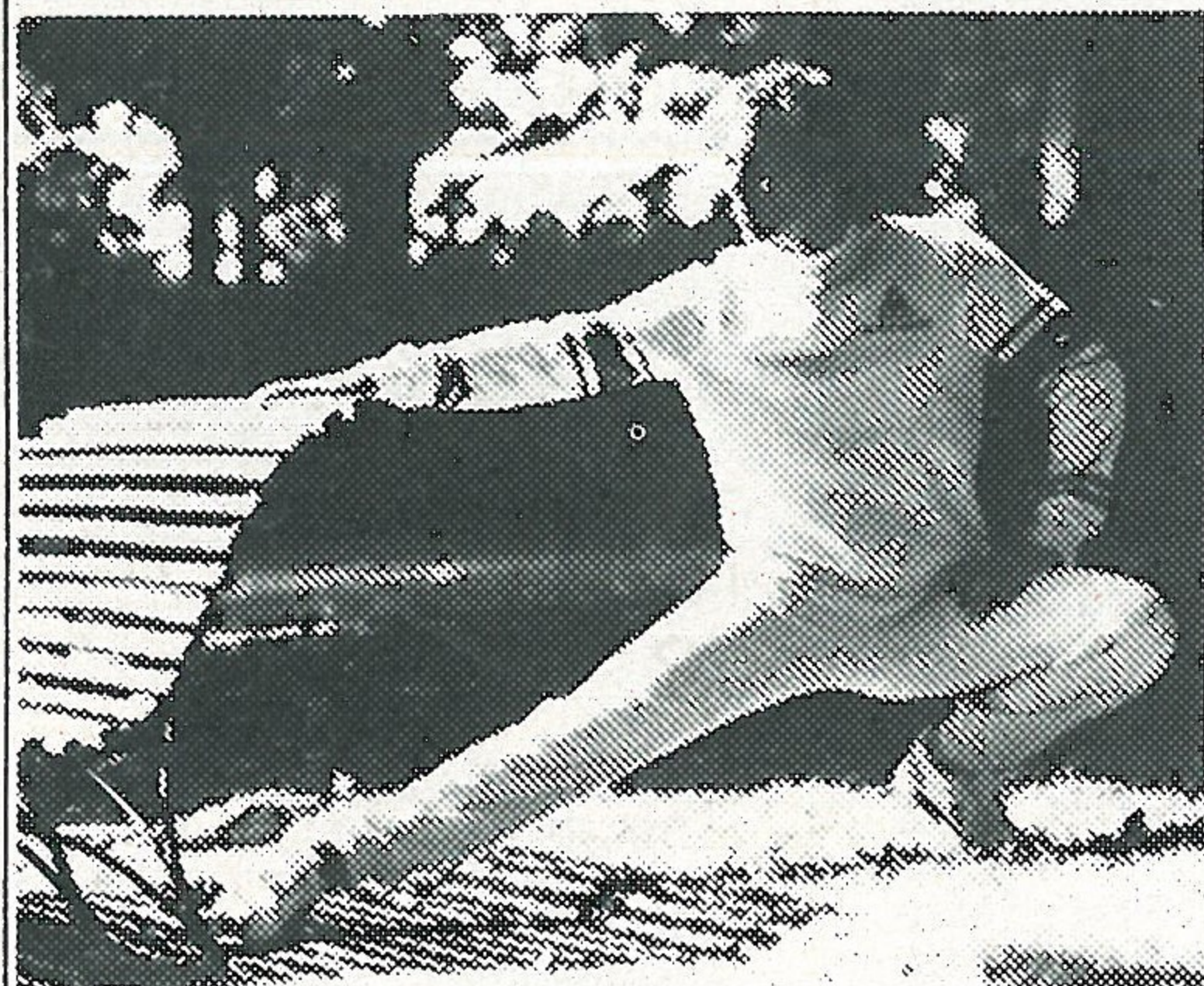
**BILLY KELLOCK** This much-travelled mid-fielder must have thought his chance of First Division football had disappeared when he was playing for Peterborough. But his energetic, spirited play coupled with his ability to pass the ball accurately, prompted David Pleat to spend £30,000 to augment his squad for season 82/83. He has an eye for goals.

**PAUL WALSH** Pleat gave Charlton a 'massive' cheque by Luton standards to secure this lively forward who could well win England caps. A fast mover, with excellent control, he is expected to link up with Brian Stein to form an exciting duo. He's only 5'7", but a real handful for any defender.

**ROB JOHNSON** A steady, sensible defender who it is confidently predicted will become an established player on the League side. Now 20, the lad from Bedford has an ideal temperament and first-class attitude.



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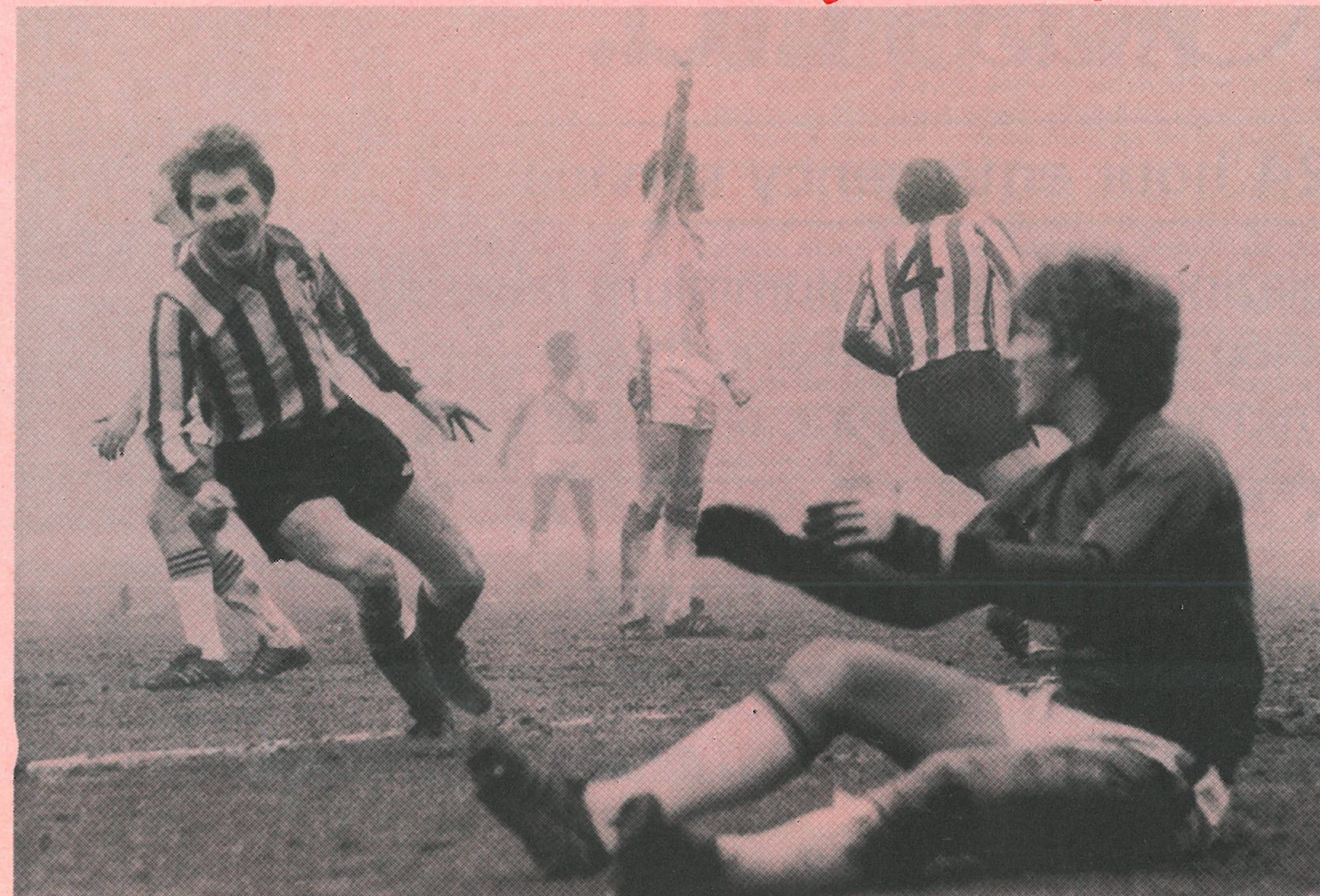
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## THE DAY JOHN COOKE WILL NEVER FORGET



It is three years ago this month since John Cooke made his League debut for Sunderland — against Bristol Rovers at Roker Park in November 1979.

But it is his second game, against this afternoon's opponents Luton Town, that he remembers so vividly. The date was February 23rd, 1980 — Luton's last visit to Wearside.

John was a couple of months short of his 18th birthday when he was brought into the side for a vital promotion battle against the Hatters.

And the son of a Manchester City supporter from Salford, near Manchester, grabbed the only goal of the game in the second half. Our picture shows John's elation as he beats goalkeeper Jake Findlay with Jeff Clarke (No. 4) turning away and Luton defender Mike Saxby, arm upraised appealing for offside.

At the time we were in eighth place in the Second Division and Luton were second. But that match was the start of a

14 match unbeaten run to the end of the season, culminating of course in our promotion.

Luton were to win only three more matches and eventually finished in sixth place. That February, '80, encounter which was so special for John Cooke, was watched by a crowd of 25,387 and it was also the day that Joe Hinnigan made his Sunderland debut following his £135,000 transfer from Wigan.

Earlier in the season Luton beat us 2-0 at Kenilworth Road, both goals coming from David Moss. The winger scored 24 that season — nine of them from the penalty spot!

The teams that day were:  
**SUNDERLAND:** Turner, Whitworth, Hinnigan, Clarke, Hindmarch, Elliott (sub Dunn), Arnott, Marangoni, Cooke, Robson, Cummins.

**LUTON TOWN:** Findlay, Stephens, Donaghy, Grealish, Saxby, Price, Hill, West, Stein, Hatton, Moss.



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**It bites.**

Alan Durban was just one of several sporting personalities who took part in a star-studded pro-celebrity snooker tournament at the Gateshead Leisure Centre last Sunday.



The event — the Halstead Flooring Snooker Challenge — raised money for the Maureen Martin Charity Appeal and our picture shows the Roker manager with his opposite number at Newcastle, Arthur Cox, together with the policewomen who is now paralysed after being shot in the back during a routine inquiry.

## The Stars turn out for Maureen

Maureen, recently voted Woman of the Year, has been told that she is now well enough to return home to start a new life — news that has delighted the 26 year old former detective.

She was delighted at the number of stars who turned out for her last Sunday. Kevin Keegan was there, along with his Newcastle team mate John Craggs.

Our own Jimmy Nicholl and super athlete Steve Cram also took part in an afternoon and evening of first class entertainment which ended with Willie Thorn defeating world champion Alex 'Hurricane' Higgins by four frames to two to win a trophy which he immediately donated to Maureen to be raffled for her appeal.

That brought a fine event to a close, but earlier in the day Alan Durban and Canadian snooker star Kirk Stevens were beaten 67-59 by Arthur Cox and Alex Higgins.

That was in the first pro-celebrity semi final and in the second John Craggs teamed up with Willie Thorne to beat Jimmy Nicholl and Doug Mountjoy.

In the pro-celebrity final Craggs and Thorne beat Cox and Higgins — but the real winner last Sunday was a brave young lady who is these days confined to a wheelchair.

## Goals, Glorious Goals!

The Football League's three top-scoring clubs, Bristol Rovers, Brentford and Wimbledon, are managed by a former striker (Rovers' Bobby Gould), a central defender (Brentford's Fred Callaghan) and a midfield player (Wimbledon's Dave Bassett).

What Bobby, Fred and Dave share in a season in which goals are being scored, in League matches, at a more frequent rate than any time in the last ten years, is the common philosophy of playing the ball forward. The secret of their success has nothing to do with magic wands, just old-fashioned commonsense.

Says Callaghan, whose Brentford side scored 34 goals in their first 14 matches: "I wouldn't say we are doing anything special, but we are playing with three forwards up and we have got attack-minded midfield players.

"So we do get more people into the opposing penalty area and we have been knocking in the half chances. Stan Bowles is playing wide on the right and the others are taking advantage of the space he creates.

"We are scoring well and are looking good. It's a bit early for promotion talk, but the fact that our gates are up by around 25 per cent convinces me that we are giving the fans what they want."

### NOTHING SIDEWAYS

Bristol Rovers and Wimbledon each scored 32 in their first 14 matches. Ex-striker Gould says: "I concentrate my coaching on the attackers and leave the defenders to my assistant, John McDowell. All I ask of my defenders and midfield players is to cut out this dreadful continental habit of going sideways.

"I don't know how to defend, and as we at Rovers reckon to have at least 20 shots on goal a match, I don't reckon it matters much as long as we score more often than our opponents.

"We play a lot of early balls and, like Liverpool, we get a lot of players in the penalty area. If I've a philosophy at all, it is something like this: No crosses, no shots, no goals. My players are enjoying themselves and so are the fans. More of the spectators are coming back — for more."

Wimbledon's success has brought crowds in excess of their budget figure, reveals Bassett. "The great thing", he says, "is that the mid-field players and the defenders are now having a go for goals.

"Consequently, the goals have been evenly spread instead of us having to rely on one main striker. I like players to be positive, and the lads have responded. I don't care how many times they miss as long as they keep shooting."

After last Wednesday week's games, 601 League matches had yielded 1,716 goals at an abnormal average of 2.85 per game. At the same stage last season, only 1,544 goals had been scored at an average of 2.66.

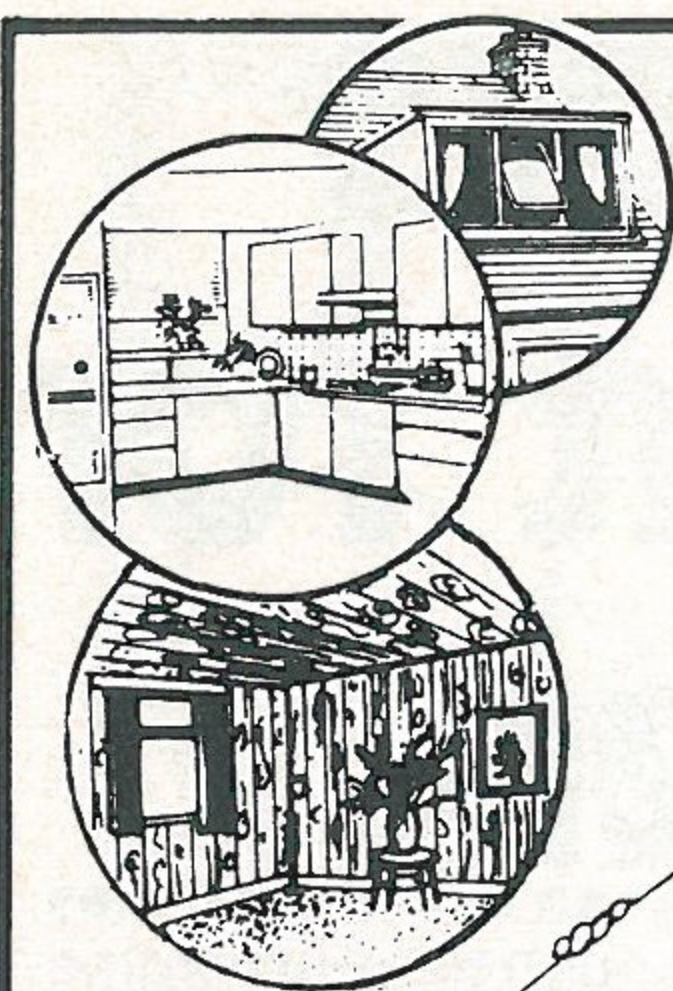
If the average of 2.85 is maintained until the end of the season, then last season's aggregate of 5,277 will have been increased by 500 — which is really putting the entertainment factor back into the game.

### SO FAR THIS SEASON:

	Goals	Matches	Average
Division 1 .....	405	132	3.06
Division 2 .....	385	133	2.88
Division 3 .....	506	168	3.01
Division 4 .....	421	168	2.50
Totals .....	1,716	601	2.85

The most prolific season for League goals in the last ten years was 1976/77 when 5,348 were scored at an average of 2.63.





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**FOCUS**

This time last season Ally McCoist had not scored a single first team goal for the club he joined for close on £400,000 — a Sunderland record — in August '81.

And during the entire campaign he notched only a couple from 19 First Division starts and nine as substitute. So you can well imagine how much better he feels with seven goals behind him this season.

Ally, just turned 20, readily admits: "I was bought from St. Johnstone to score goals and when they wouldn't go in last season my pride was hurt.

"I was only 18 when I signed and although the manager, Alan Durban, went out of his way to tell the fans that it would take time for me to settle and that they shouldn't expect too many fireworks in my first season it still came as a big surprise when I went so long without scoring.

"When this season opened I was absolutely determined to get on target from the start. I got one of our three in the win at Aston Villa and that did wonders for my confidence.

"I got another at Brighton and then had a good spell with a goal in successive League matches against Norwich, Southampton, Manchester City and Everton.

**A REAL SHOCK**

"It was the kind of scoring sequence I had been used to in Scotland. Don't forget I had notched up 23 goals in the season before I signed for Sunderland — plus seven in 10 appearances for the Scottish youth team.

"It follows that it was a real shock when I just couldn't seem to get the ball in the net in my first season South of the border. Now I feel so much happier — and that's got to be an understatement".

He is a lively chirpy laddie with a ready smile and the kind of personality goalscorers need so much when they hit a 'dry' spell. He insists: "That big fee never bothered me — except that I wanted to repay Alan Durban and Sunderland Football Club for their faith in me.

"I don't wish to sound conceited, but it never occurred to me that I might not get goals in the English First Division. I always believed I could score regularly for Sunderland and with a few behind me this season it's whetted my appetite for plenty more.

"The trick now is to keep it going. When you've been bought as a goalscorer you know what's expected of you. And you have only to look at our current First Division position to appreciate that we need a few wins".

Ally has this season spent quite a bit of time with fitness and balance expert Len Heppell, father-in-law of former Sunderland favourite Bryan 'Pop' Robson (he's still scoring goals for Chelsea) and a man who has worked with some of the great names in the game — Bobby Moore, Peter Shilton and Trevor Brooking.

**"I'M GRATEFUL"**

"I'm so grateful to Len," says Ally. "He has improved my balance and my sharpness no end. In fact I've so many people to thank for their patience with me.

"Alan Durban has been marvellous and so has first team coach Mick Docherty. I'm grateful to everybody at Sunderland and I want to repay them with goals".

So has Alistair Murdoch McCoist set himself a target for this season? "Not on you life", he says. "The minute you do that something is bound to go wrong.

"All I know is that having scored a few for Sunderland now I know that I have made the adjustment from being a part-time player in Scotland to a full-timer down here.

"I'm optimistic, both personally and about Sunderland Football Club. I honestly believe we have played better this season than our current position might indicate.

"I'm also realistic enough to know that we've got to be more consistent. We have played very well in several matches and finished with either nothing or a draw. The three points for a win system nowadays makes it imperative you look for goals.

"You can alter your League situation dramatically in just a few games. That's what we have to do. I believe we can".

As we say, Ally is invariably bright and chirpy. The kind every dressing room welcomes — especially when the goals are flowing.

**ALLY McCOIST**



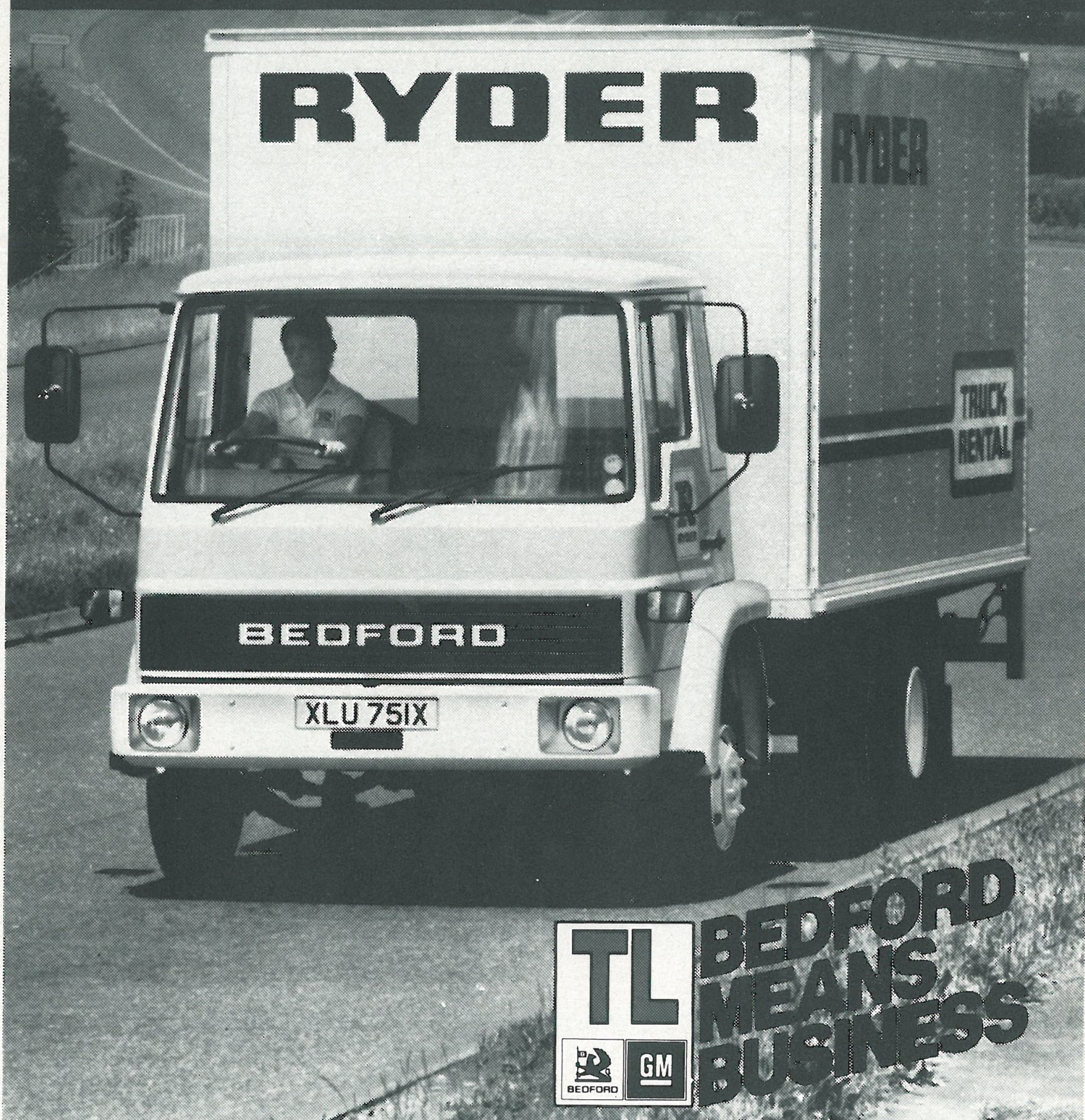


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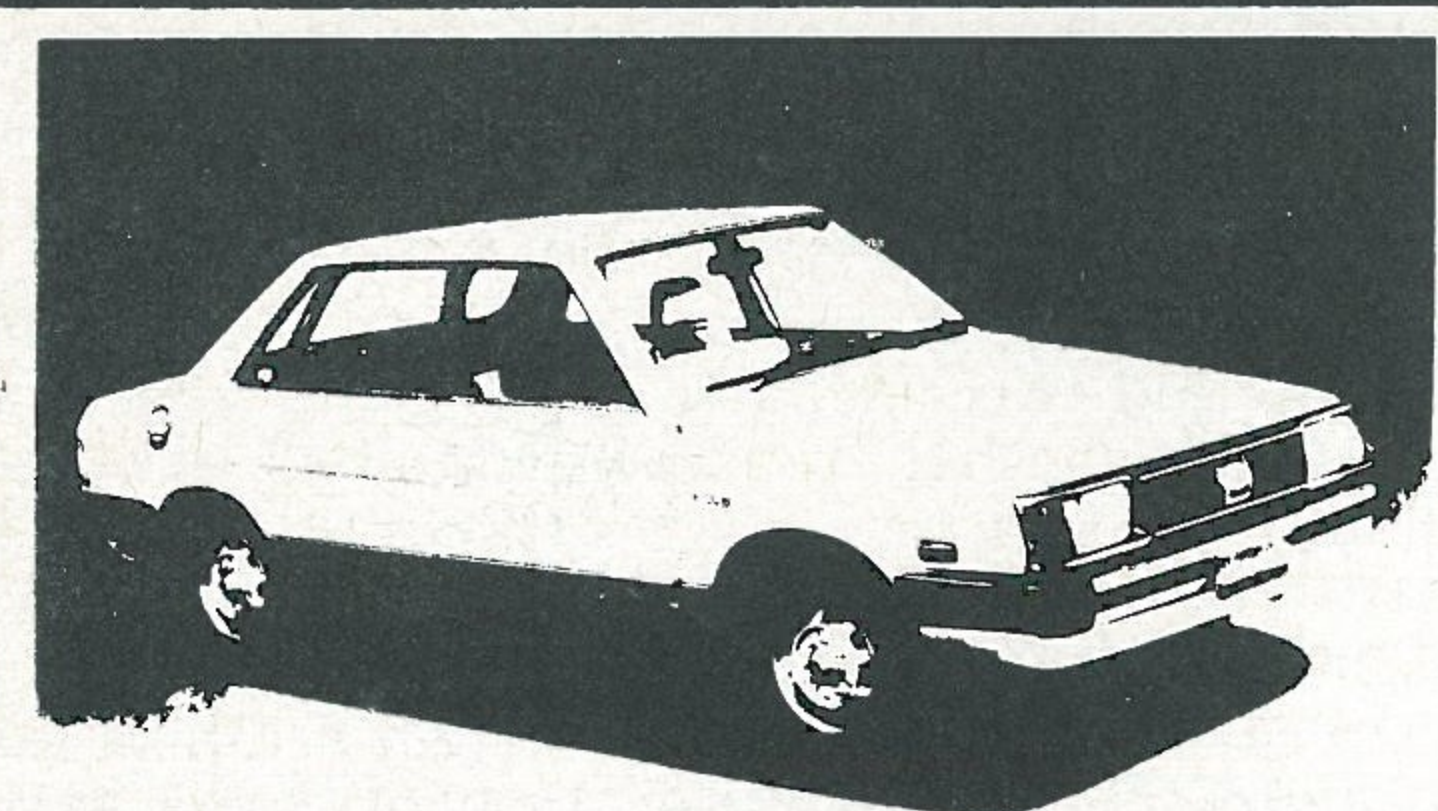
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		Goals
Buckley .....	13	1
McCoist .....	13	6
Munro .....	13	
Turner .....	13	
Pickering .....	12	2
Rowell .....	11(1)	5
Venison .....	11(1)	
Hindmarch .....	10	
Atkins .....	8(1)	
Cummins .....	8(1)	1
Elliott .....	8	
Chisholm .....	7	
Nicholl .....	7	
West .....	5	1
Cooke .....	2(3)	1
Hinningan .....	2	

## MILK CUP

(Appearances as substitute in parenthesis)

		Goals
Buckley .....	3	
McCoist .....	3	1
Munro .....	3	
Nicholl .....	3	
Pickering .....	3	
Rowell .....	3	2
Turner .....	3	
Atkins .....	2	
Elliott .....	2	
Hindmarch .....	2	1
Venison .....	2	
West .....	2	
Chisholm .....	1(2)	2
Cooke .....	1(1)	



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# IAN GOT THREE OUT OF SEVEN!

by TONY PULLEIN



IAN LAWThER

Many people believe that the ideal way to celebrate New Year's Eve is to have one over the eight! We did our best to do just that for Roker fans when Luton Town came here just over twenty years ago. And the man who played the biggest part was Ian Lawther.

Both clubs had enjoyed a good Christmas in 1960, picking up three points out of four, but Luton were still without an away win. A crowd of 28,695 gathered for the New Year's Eve clash and for what turned out to be a very quiet first-half. We led 1-0.

But after the break Sunderland ran riot. Ian Lawther completed a hat-trick, and Jimmy Davison, Willie McPheat, Charley Hurley and Jimmy McNab all got in on the scoring act.

Luton were sunk without trace by 7-1. Gordon Turner scored the hatters' consolation. At one stage it seemed we might run up eight or nine but in the end Sunderland fans had no complaints.

Lawther was enjoying his best season. He also scored at Luton earlier in the season when we drew 3-3 and he ended up top scorer with 24 League goals. The previous season Ian had also topped our list with 17.

Ian later played for Blackburn, Scunthorpe, Brentford, Halifax and Stockport and he was capped on four occasions for Northern Ireland. There have been many high-scoring games against Luton. Sadly, we have often been on the wrong end of them!

## RELEGATION RELIEF!

Our first-ever League meetings came during Luton's debut season as a First Division club in 1954/55. We went down 1-2 at Roker and 2-8 at Kenilworth Road. The following season we were beaten 2-6 in Luton and in 1957/58 we were crushed 1-7 down there. After that it came as some relief to suffer relegation!

We extracted some revenge for that series of defeats at New Year in 1960 and, since then, we often obtained better results against the Hatters at Kenilworth Road.

From 1961/62 we strung together four successive victories in Luton, our best being by 3-0 in May, 1963. The original fixture had been postponed because of the big freeze and we went to Luton desperately needing to win to keep our promotion hopes alive. Before that evening meeting the top of the Second Division looked like this:

	P	For	Against	Pts.
Stoke .....	39	80	46	51
SUNDERLAND ....	40	81	54	50
Chelsea .....	40	73	42	48
Huddersfield .....	40	62	44	48

Luton were in grave danger of relegation at the bottom of the table:

Grimsby .....	40	49	61	33
LUTON .....	40	61	79	29
Walsall .....	40	49	86	29
Charlton .....	40	58	92	27

In those days, of course, only two clubs were promoted and two relegated. Two goals from Nick Sharkey, and another from George Mulhall, gave us a comfortable 3-0 victory which virtually relegated the Hatters. Their fate was assured when they lost their final game at Stoke 0-2.

Ironically, it was that Luton defeat at Stoke that cost us promotion! It put Stoke ahead of us and, as we lost our final game at home to Chelsea, it was the London club that rose into Division One with Stoke.

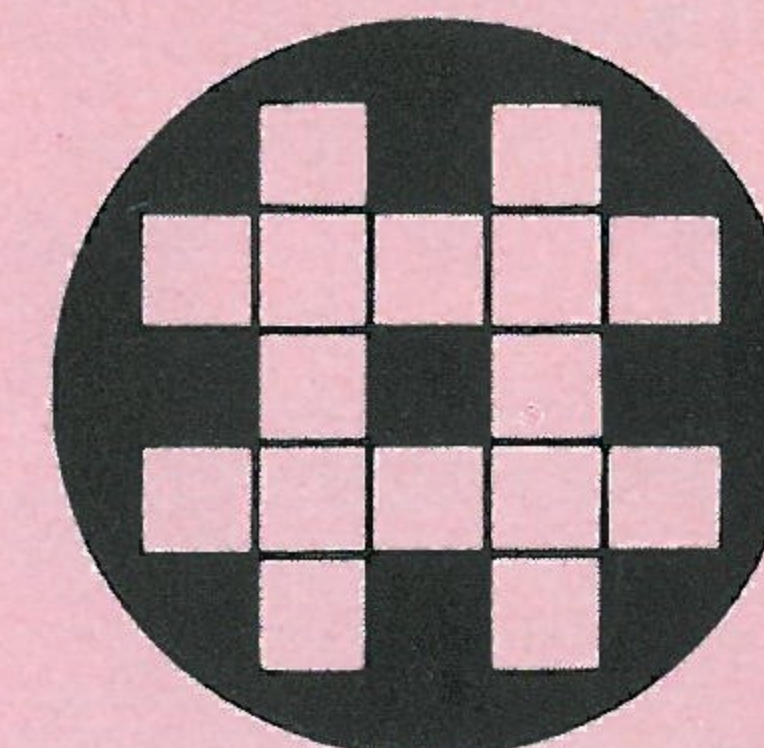
We met again at Luton on the final day of 1973/74 when Luton had already guaranteed themselves promotion and were too far behind Middlesbrough to worry about the points.

At least both teams set out to entertain. It was 3-3 at the interval and a second-half goal by Vic Halom, against his former club, gave us a 4-3 win. Our other scorers were Billy Hughes, Tony Towers and Jack Ashurst. Luton's scorers were Jimmy Husband (2) and Barry Butlin.

## On The Ball

Every answer has five letters and the first one fits into the top line, but you have to decide where the rest must go.

QUESTIONS . . .  
Recent England skipper  
Moran, maybe  
.... Thomas, referee  
Full of fouls



# QUICK QUIZ

1. The first televised League match to be shown live involved which 1960 fixture?
2. Prior to Glenn Hoddle in 1982, who scored a penalty in an FA Cup Final?
3. Who recovered from a recent skull fracture to star in the 1982 World Cup finals . . . until injured again?
4. Which Football League ground has the shortest name?
5. Ignoring the word United, which club has a name of ten letters, all different?

### MIXED DOUBLES

Re-order the letters in each of the words  
WILES and WIRE  
to find the names of two men called  
*Alan*

### CLUB CLUE

Solve this cryptic clue to identify a famous foreign club.  
*Cricket is obviously not their game!*

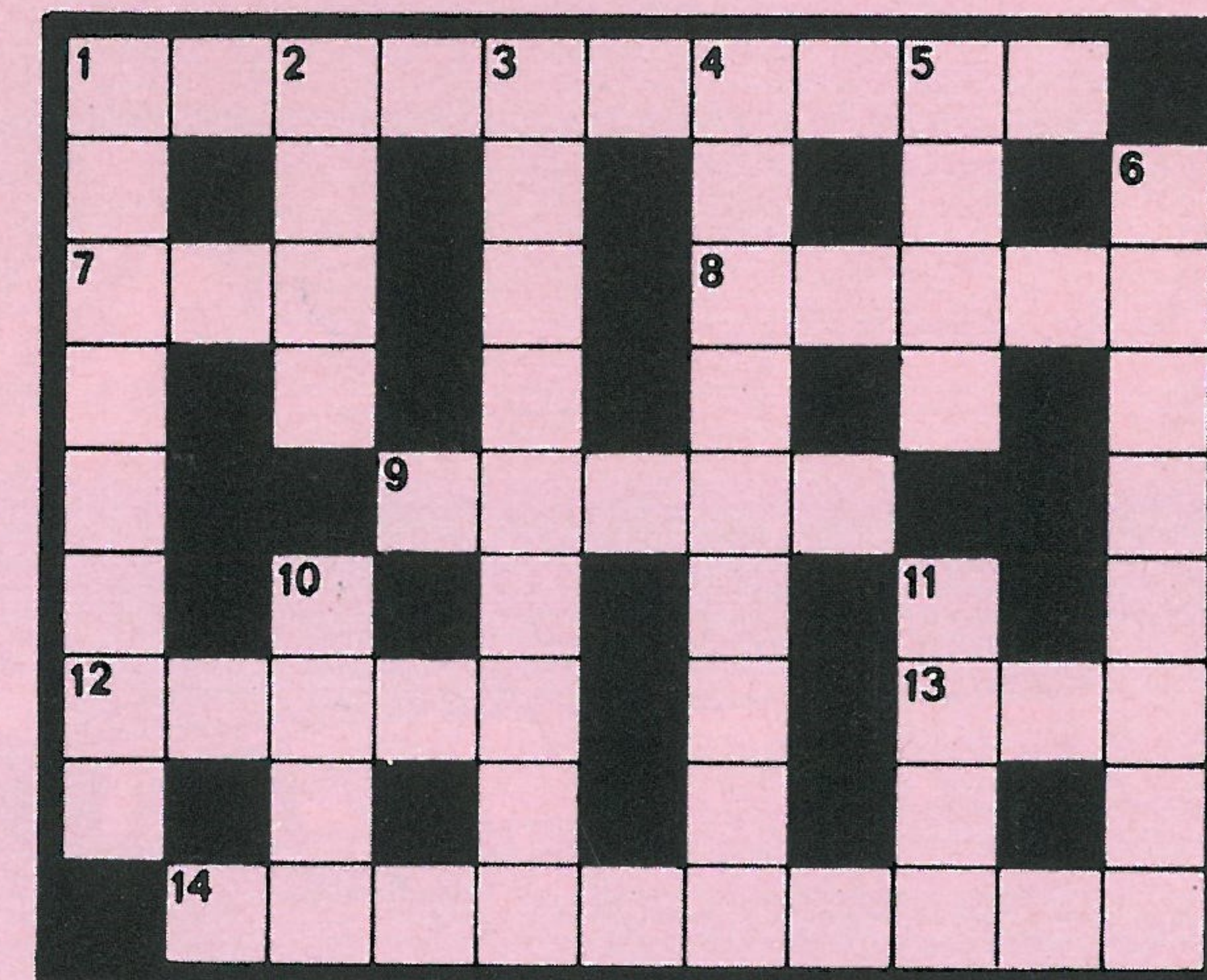
# NINETY- NINER

### Across:

1. Defender who kicked off his career with Chelsea and who was still there when this season kicked off (4,6)
7. Score (3)
8. Defender (sharing a first name with 1 across) who began with Boro in the 1960s but spent the bulk of his career with Brentford in the 1970s (5)
9. One of Sunderland's colours (5)
12. Country seen in action in the World Cup Finals in West Germany (5)
13. Where one of the clubs in a cup-tie goes! (3)
14. Where the NASL's Diplomats were (10)

### Down:

1. He helped Villa collect the European Cup (8)
2. Bristol-born Phil, who set out with Rovers, sounds like a high-flying keeper! (4)
3. Former league club (now an Alliance Premier side) which went out when Leicester came in (9)
4. The second of Manchester City's two successive Footballers of the Year (9)
5. Sheffield screechers (4)
6. Celtic hold the record for being so in most consecutive British League matches (8)
10. Soccer body founded in 1904 (1,1,1,1)
11. "It may be square, round, half-round or elliptical . . . other shapes are not permitted" (Law 1) (4)



ANSWERS ON PAGE 23





Stoke City hadn't drawn a game away from home this season when they arrived on Wearside a fortnight ago. So perhaps it was no great surprise that their first share of the spoils on their travels should involve Sunderland.

But this Stoke side was nothing like the somewhat functional ones they have had in the past. On this occasion, with our own players playing their parts to the full, they were involved in a match which crackled with excitement.

The final score was 2-2 and if we were disappointed at missing the win bonus we feel sure that this game produced many moments to savour. No one who saw it would be surprised that a week later Stoke cuffed high-flying West Ham 5-2.



TOP LEFT: Five minutes gone and Paul McGuire (left) is greeted with open arms by Mickey Thomas — but Paul knows how lucky he was. Jimmy Nicholl's fierce clearance saw the ball strike him and fly past Chris Turner.

BOTTOM LEFT: An equally delighted Nick Pickering looks very happy as his header is on its way into the net. Stoke's young goalkeeper Mark Harrison is grounded as Ally McCoist looks on. The match is a mere eight minutes old.

TOP RIGHT: Gary Rowell puts us in front just after the half hour after Colin West had hit a post — Gary's fifth League goal of the season.

BOTTOM RIGHT: Twenty minutes left and Mark Chamberlain (on the ground) rescues a point for Stoke. A high octane 90 minutes.





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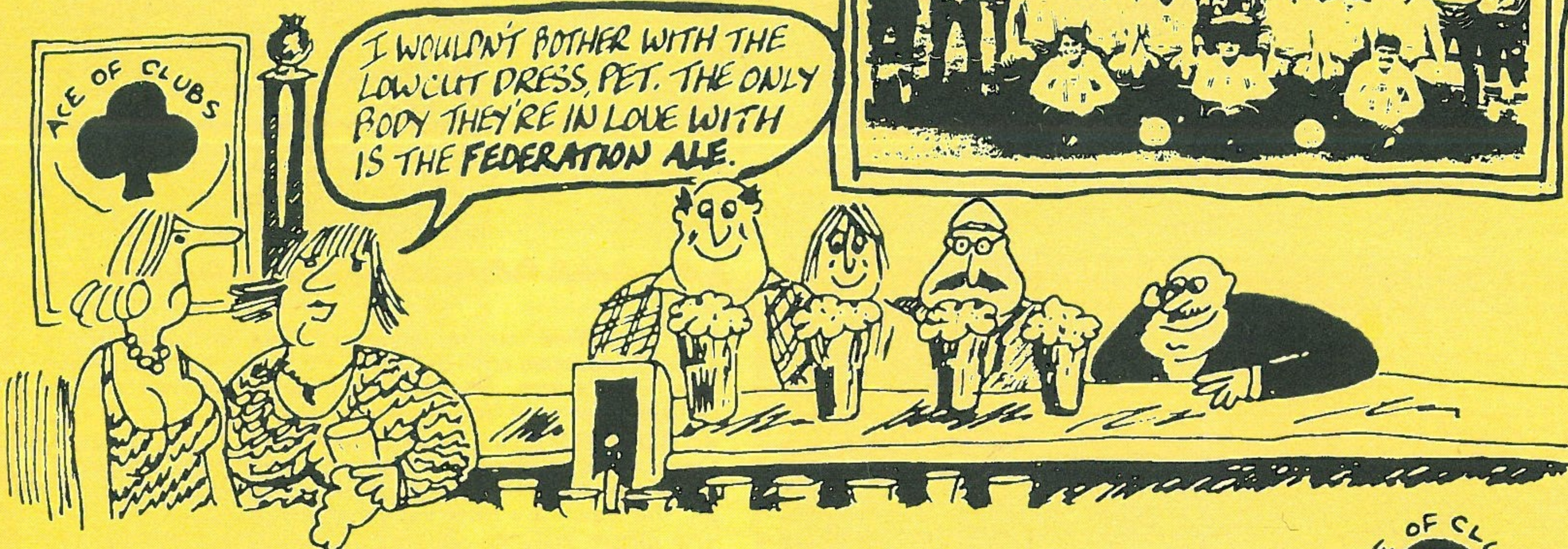
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**SUNDERLAND STATISTICS 82-83**

S - Indicates Substitute  
b - Indicates Booked Player  
S/O - Indicates Sent Off

Date	Opposition	Result	Attendance	Points	Position	Players												O.G.
						1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	
1982 Aug. 28	Aston Villa	A	L 3-1	22,945	3	Turner	Venison	Munro	Atkins	Chisholm	Elliott	Buckley	West	McCoist	Pickering	Cummins	Rowell	
Sept. 1	Notts County	H	L 1-1	18,997	4	Turner	Venison	Munro	Atkins	Hind-march	Elliott	Buckley	West	McCoist	Pickering	Cummins	Rowell	
Sept. 4	West Ham Utd.	H	L 1-0	19,239	7	4	Turner	Venison	Munro	Atkins	Hind-march	Elliott	Buckley	Rowell	McCoist	Pickering	Cummins	Cooke
Sept. 7	Coventry City	A	L 0-1	8,190	7	5	Turner	Venison	Munro	Atkins	Hind-march	Elliott	Buckley	Rowell	McCoist	Pickering	Cummins	Cooke
Sept. 11	Brighton & H.A.	A	L 2-3	10,264	7	11	Turner	Venison	Munro	Hinnigan	Hind-march	Chisholm	Buckley	Rowell	McCoist	Pickering	Cummins	Cooke
Sept. 18	Tottenham H.	H	L 0-1	21,137	7	14	Turner	Venison	Munro	Hinnigan	Hind-march	Chisholm	Buckley	Rowell	McCoist	Pickering	Cummins	Cooke
Sept. 25	Watford	A	L 0-8	16,744	7	18	Turner	Venison	Munro	Atkins	Hind-march	Nicholl	Buckley	Rowell	McCoist	Pickering	Cummins	Cooke
Oct. 2	Norwich City	H	L 4-1	13,144	10	15	Turner	Nicholl	Munro	Venison	Hind-march	Elliott	Buckley	Rowell	McCoist	Pickering	Cooke	Chisholm
Oct. 5	Wolves (Milk Cup 2, 1st leg)	A	C 1-1	13,662	-	-	Turner	Nicholl	Munro	Atkins	Hind-march	Elliott	Buckley	Rowell	McCoist	Pickering	Cooke	Chisholm
Oct. 9	Southampton	H	L 1-1	15,635	11	16	Turner	Nicholl	Munro	Atkins	Hind-march	Elliott	Buckley	Rowell	McCoist	Pickering	Cooke	Chisholm
Oct. 16	Manchester C.	A	L 2-2	25,053	12	15	Turner	Nicholl	Munro	Atkins	Chisholm	Elliott	Buckley	Rowell	McCoist	Pickering	Venison	Cummins
Oct. 23	Everton	A	L 1-3	20,360	12	17	Turner	Nicholl	Munro	Atkins	Chisholm	Elliott	Buckley	Rowell	McCoist	West	Cummins	Venison
Oct. 27	Wolves (Milk Cup 2, 2nd leg)	H	C 5-0	11,091	-	-	Turner	Nicholl	Munro	Hind-march	Chisholm	Pickering	Buckley	Rowell	McCoist	West	Venison	Cooke
Oct. 30	Stoke City	H	L 2-2	16,406	13	20	Turner	Nicholl	Munro	Hind-march	Chisholm	Pickering	Buckley	Rowell	McCoist	West	Venison	Atkins
Nov. 6	Swansea City	A	L 0-3	10,034	13	20	Turner	Nicholl	Munro	Hind-march	Chisholm	Pickering	Buckley	Rowell	McCoist	West	Venison	Atkins
Nov. 10	Norwich City (Milk Cup 3)	H	C 0-0	10,934	-	-	Turner	Nicholl	Munro	Atkins	Elliott	Pickering	Buckley	Rowell	McCoist	West	Venison	Chisholm
Nov. 13	Luton Town	H																
Nov. 20	Nottingham F.	H																
Nov. 24	Norwich City (Milk Cup 3 replay)	A																
Nov. 27	Birmingham C.	A																
Nov. (Milk Cup 4)																		
Dec. 4	Ipswich Town	H																
Dec. 11	W.B.A.	A																
Dec. 18	Arsenal	H																
Dec. 27	Manchester U.	A																
Dec. 28	Liverpool	H																
1983 Jan. 1	Nottingham F.	A																
Jan. 3	Notts County	A																
Jan. 8	(F.A. Cup 3)																	
Jan. 15	Aston Villa	H																
Jan. (Milk Cup 5)																		
Jan. 22	Tottenham H.	A																
Jan. 29	(F.A. Cup 4)																	
Feb. 5	Coventry C.	H																
Feb. (Milk Cup Semi 1)																		
Feb. 12	Norwich City	A																
Feb. 14	(Milk Cup Semi 2)																	
Feb. 19	Southampton (F.A. Cup 5)	A																
Feb. 26	Manchester C.	H																
Mar. 5	Everton	H																
Mar. 12	Stoke City (F.A. Cup 6)	A																
Mar. 19	Swansea City	H																
Mar. 26	Luton Town (M.C. Final)	A																
April 2	Liverpool	A																
April 4	Manchester U.	H																
April 9	West Ham Utd.	A																
April 16	Brighton & H.A.H. (F.A. Cup Semi)																	
April 23	Ipswich Town	A																
April 30	Birmingham C.	H																
May 2	Watford	H																
May 7	Arsenal	A																
May 14	W.B.A.	H																
May 21	(F.A. Cup Final)																	




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## Quiz Answers

### CLUB CLUE ANSWER . . .

Grasshoppers (Zurich)

### ON THE BALL ANSWERS . . .

Mills, Steve, Clive, dirty

### MIXED DOUBLES ANSWERS . . .

Lewis, Weir

### NINETY-NINER

ACROSS: Mike Nutton; 7. net; 8. Allen; 9. white; 12. Haiti; 13. out; 14. Washington.

DOWN: 1. McNaught; 2. Kite; 3. Norwich; 4. Trautmann (1956); 5. Owls; 6. Unbeaten (62); 10. FIFA; 11. post.

### QUICK QUIZ ANSWERS . . .

1. Blackpool v Bolton; 2. Kevin Reeves (1981); 3. Giancarlo Antognoni; 4. The Den (Millwall); 5. Scunthorpe.

## Farrington 'B' battle back from 11-0

Farrington School First Year 'B' team have been nominated to be guests of Sunderland A.F.C. this afternoon and that nomination is in recognition of their enthusiasm and determination.

From a resulting 11-0 defeat the boys totally refused to drop their heads and simply set about training with renewed vigour. They then went to Bede School and saw their determination rewarded with a 3-2 victory — all

the goals coming from centre forward David Foulds.

As the second team of their school first year it was obvious that they would be up against strong opposition — and none more so than in their very first fixture when they travelled to Castle View School who are undoubtedly the strongest team in their year.

Against Hylton Red House they led 3-1 with five minutes

remaining, but conceded two quickies to finish 3-3. In their first home game, against Monkwearmouth, they were 3-0 down at half time but again their great character came shining through.

From a 4-1 down situation they pulled back to 4-4 and then Monkwearmouth got the winner in the dying minutes.

But Farrington 'B' are certainly to be congratulated on their spirit and resilience — a team in the very best schoolboy tradition.

Member of staff Mr. D. Bryson will be at Roker Park this afternoon with the following 15 boys: Stephen Crosby, John Myers, Bradley Carr, Anthony Lord, Richard Wardle, Darren Hall, Kevin Hall, David Wayman, Paul Mason, Stephen Pescod, Neil Barnett, David Foulds, Andrew Fowler, David Milford and Paul Graham.

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In 1981 he was one of the linesmen for an F.A. Cup semi-final and this year was on the line for the Scotland v Holland full international fixture.

Married, with two daughters, David is assisted this afternoon by Mr. I. G. Cruikshanks of Hartlepool with the red flag and Mr. T. Little (Burnley) with the yellow flag.

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- 2 JIMMY NICHOLL
- 3 IAIN MUNRO
- 4 IAN ATKINS
- 5 SHAUN ELLIOTT
- 6 NICK PICKERING
- 7 ~~MICK BUCKLEY~~  
EUMMINS
- 8 GARY ROWELL
- 9 ALLY McCOIST
- 10 COLIN WEST
- 11 BARRY VENISON
- 12 **COOKE**  
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## LUTON TOWN

- 1 ALAN JUDGE
- 2 KIRK STEPHENS
- 3 RICHARD MONEY
- 4 BRIAN HORTON
- 5 ~~CLIVE GOODYEAR~~
- 6 MAL DONAGHY <sup>TURNER</sup>
- 7 RICKY HILL
- 8 BRIAN STEIN
- 9 PAUL WALSH
- 10 ~~PASQUALE FUCILLO~~
- 11 DAVID MOSS <sup>KELLOCK</sup>
- 12 **BUNN**  
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(Lancaster)

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I. G. CRUIKSHANKS  
(Hartlepool)

Yellow Flag: T. LITTLE  
(Burnley, Lancs.)

## Half-Time Scoreboard

<b>A</b> Arsenal v Everton	<b>F</b> Notts. Co. v Birmingham	<b>L</b> Leicester v Newcastle
<b>B</b> A. Villa v Brighton	<b>G</b> Soton v Nottm. F.	<b>M</b> Carlisle v Rotherham
<b>C</b> Ipswich v Man. City	<b>H</b> Watford v Stoke	<b>N</b> Charlton v M'boro
<b>D</b> Liverpool v Coventry	<b>J</b> West Brom. v Swansea	<b>P</b> Shrewsbury v Sheff. W.
<b>E</b> Man. Utd. v Spurs	<b>K</b> West Ham v Norwich	<b>R</b> Hereford v Hartlepool

