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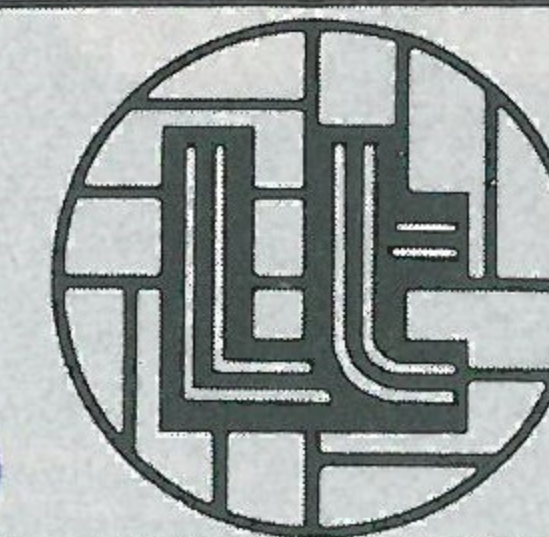
# ACTION



Our 4-2 victory at Brighton was a welcome tonic at the seaside. Tension in Brighton's defence as Frank Bunn and Paul Walsh are in the middle of another attack. Where did it go? Brighton keeper Graham Moseley can't believe his bad luck as his full-back Gary Stevens slices the ball into his own net. More pictures on pages 26 and 27.

# TEAM CHECK

**LUTON TOWN**



1 (1)

- 1 JAKE FINDLAY
- 2 KIRK STEPHENS
- 3 RICHARD MONEY
- 4 BRIAN HORTON
- 5 CLIVE GOODYEAR
- 6 MAL DONAGHY
- 7 RICKY HILL
- 8 BRIAN STEIN
- 9 PAUL WALSH
- 10 WAYNE TURNER
- 11 DAVID MOSS
- 12 *ANTIC*

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**LIVERPOOL**



(2) 3

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- 2 PHIL NEAL
- 3 ALAN KENNEDY
- 4 MARK LAWRENSEN
- 5 CRAIG JOHNSTON
- 6 ALAN HANSEN
- 7 KENNY DALGLISH
- 8 SAMMY LEE
- 9 IAN RUSH
- 10 DAVID HODGSON
- 11 GRAEME SOUNESS
- 12 *WHELAN*

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# MY VIEW

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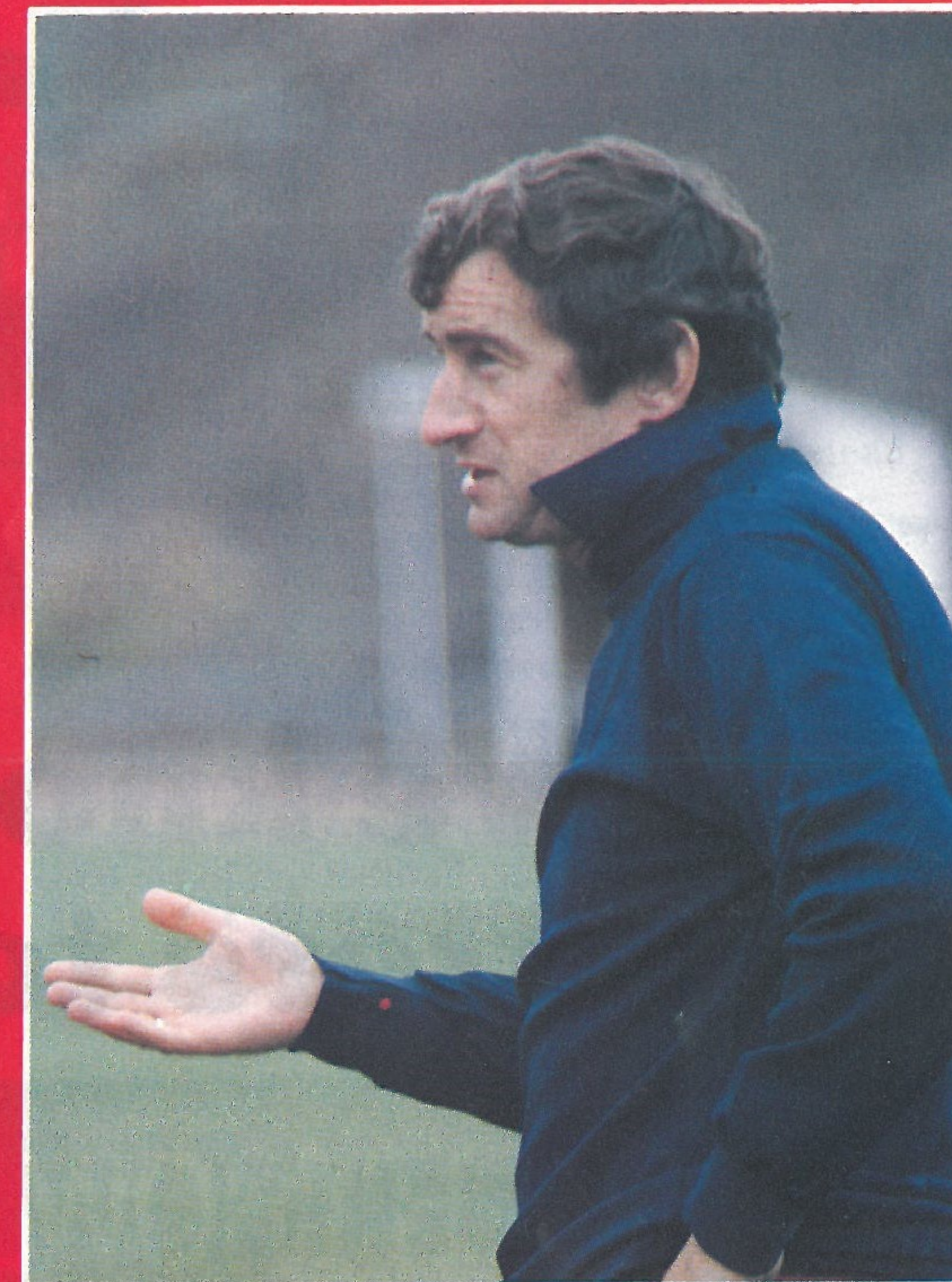
The last game at Brighton confirmed the excellent promise of Frank Bunn and Mitchell Thomas, but I was more than delighted with the contributions of our experience.

Brian Horton played a tremendously sound game in difficult conditions back on his 'home' ground where he desperately wanted to do well. Clive Goodyear and Mal Donaghy continued their effective partnership last week, and it was good to see Brian Stein's hard work enable him to return to the team.

Fortunately, David Moss also returned at Brighton, and this emphasised the importance of a good medical team, particularly as we do not have an experienced squad. However, there are positive signs of progress throughout the club.

Last Saturday, Trevor Hartley's reserves met Swansea's first team at the Vetch in a Combination game and came out creditably, although losing 2-0. Also, our youth team were at Oxford last Monday, attempting to reach the last eight of the FA Youth Cup.

Today, once again, I hope we can top the 20,000 mark at the turnstiles, and this gives me confidence for the future. We still have a long way to go in the League, and every game will have a Cup-tie atmosphere, where we will need to play with passion and skill to meet our target for this season.



In this respect, we need all the vocal backing you can muster. When the side went a goal down to Manchester United last week, I sensed many of the crowd accepted that we were struggling to get back. At times like this when we have our back to the wall, we need a tremendous push from the terraces.

Had Ricky Hill scored with one of the finest headers I have ever seen, it could have been different. We need to keep working away now, and give every ounce of effort to be successful.

Enjoy the game, and from all at Luton I would like to say congratulations to Liverpool for the way you play football, and your achievements.

DAVID PLEAT



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A reminder that concessionary fares apply to all registered members, and don't forget that booking lists will close on Thursday, February 10th at 5 p.m.

We would also remind travellers that any seats booked on a coach must be paid for, unless you notify us at least 72 hours previously if you are unable to travel.

On Saturday, February 26th, we travel to Ipswich, and fares are: adults £4, juveniles £3.50, with a concession of 50p for registered members.

Departures are: Maple Road 11 a.m., Hitchen 11.30 a.m., (passengers from Stevenage wishing to travel by coach on this occasion must make their own way to Hitchen), Hemel Hempstead 10.15 a.m., Redbourne 10.30 a.m., Harpenden 10.45 a.m., Aylesbury 9.45 a.m., Leighton Buzzard 10 a.m., Milton Keynes 10.15 a.m. Stony Stratford 10.30 a.m.

Travellers from Stevenage and Hitchen areas

may if they wish travel by train. Departure from Stevenage station only at 9.30 a.m. returning from Ipswich station at 17.10 p.m. Fares: adults £6, juveniles (15 or under) £3. Bookings must be accompanied by payment direct to me at Luton Town Football Club, Kenilworth Road, Luton, and the booking list will close on Thursday, February 24th for coach and train travel.

The Travel five-a-side takes place on Sunday, February 13th at Blechley Leisure Centre, at 2 p.m. To cover costs, competitors will be charged 50p each and teams will play in the following groups:

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We look forward to a good afternoon with plenty of support for all the teams who represent many sections of the football club and it's supporters.

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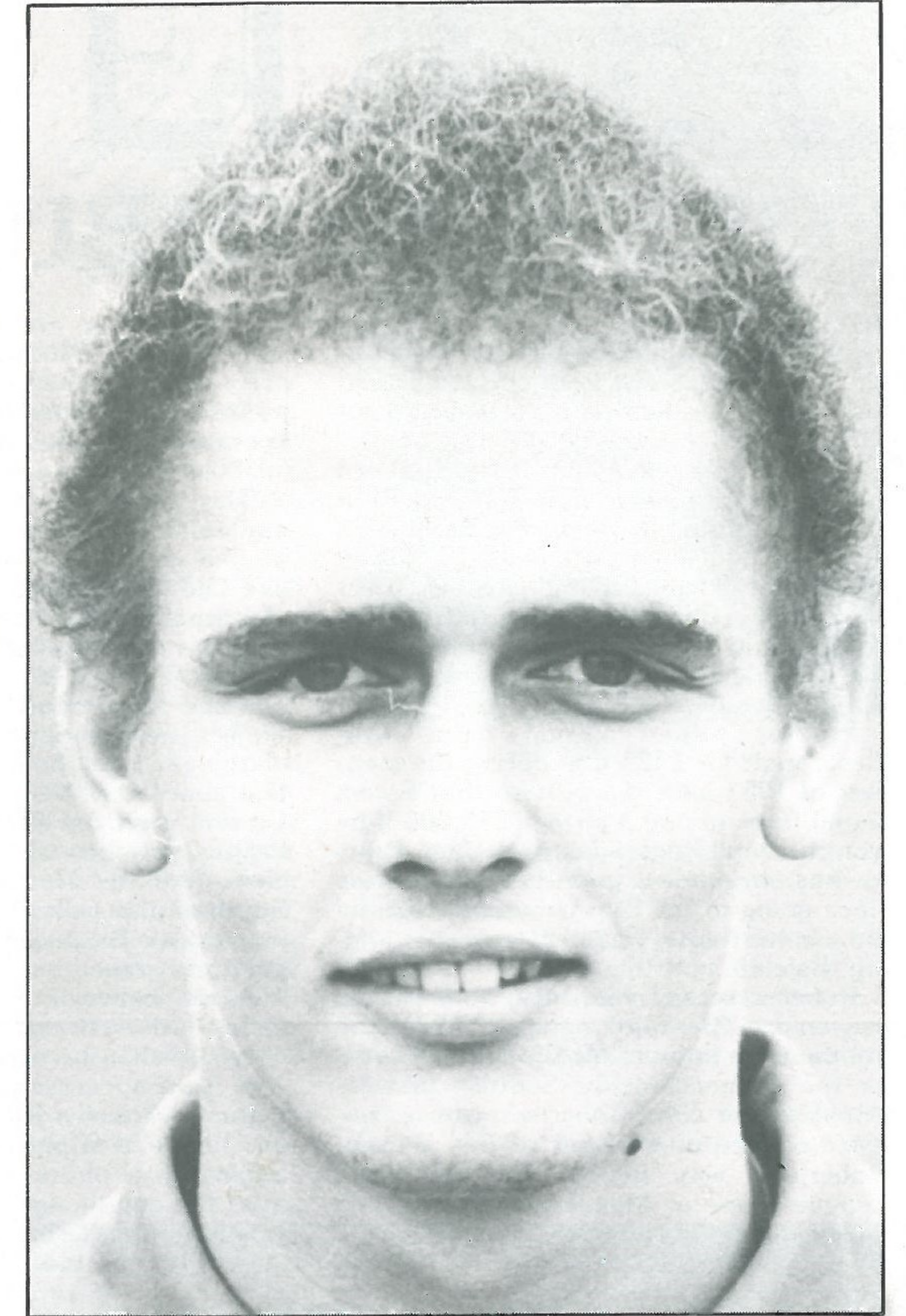
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**Birthdate:** 15.2.64  
**Height:** 6ft 1in  
**Weight:** 12st 2lb  
**Married:** Fiancée Linda  
**Previous clubs:** Wolves  
**Nickname:** Beza  
**Job/Trade before turning pro:** School  
**Car:** Morris Marina  
**Best stadium played in:** Portman Road, Ipswich  
**Favourite newspaper:** Sun  
**Players for the future:** Paul Walsh, Michael Small  
**Friendliest away fans:** Oxford  
**Other sports:** Squash, snooker, swimming  
**Favourite other team:** Liverpool  
**Favourite other sports person:** Barry Sheene  
**Favourite holiday resort:** Devon  
**Favourite food/drink:** Steak/Wine  
**Favourite TV shows:** Professionals, Minder, Sports programmes  
**Your best ever all time XI:** Brazil, World Cup 1970  
**If not a player, what job would you do:** Bricklayer  
**Favourite actor/actress:** Charles Bronson/Bo Derek  
**Favourite singers:** Sheena Easton, Duran Duran  
**Favourite activity on day off:** Resting  
**Miscellaneous likes/dislikes:** Good food/Smoking  
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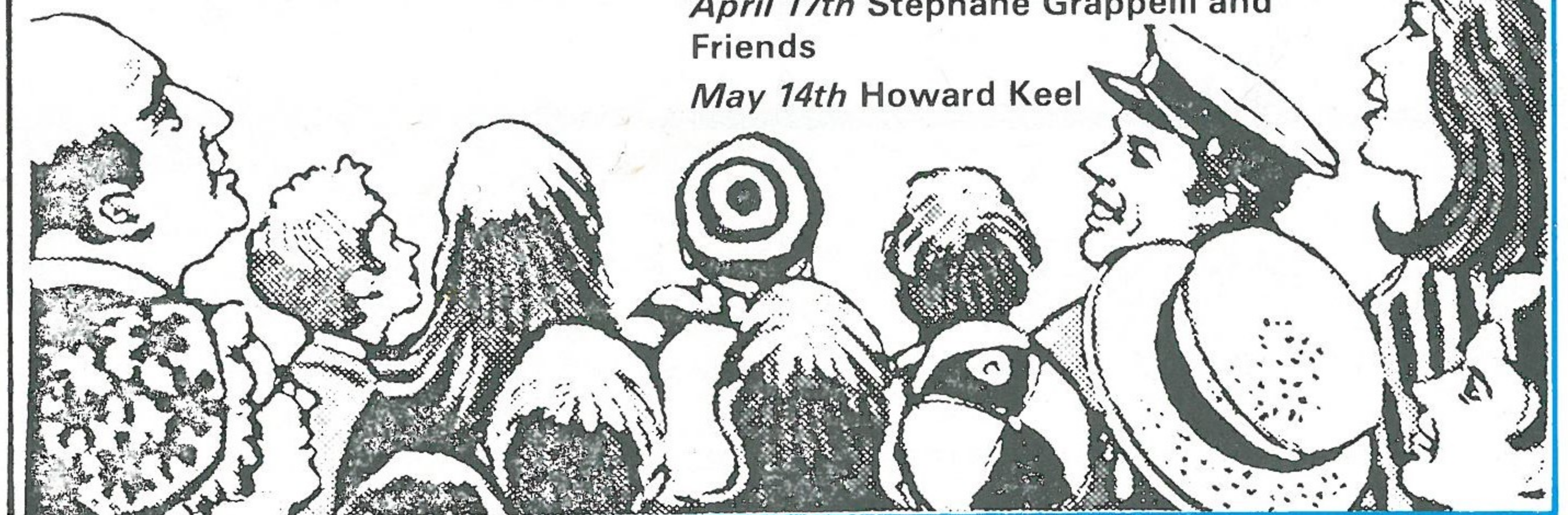
*March 26th* Northern Black Light Theatre

*April 8th* George Melly

*April 15th* An Evening in Bed with Jeremy Beadle

*April 17th* Stephane Grappelli and Friends

*May 14th* Howard Keel



# SCENE ON ONE

## FOREST TO REBUILD

Brian Clough lost no time in commencing his rebuilding programme following Nottingham Forest's exit from both Cups and his final realisation that his side would not catch Liverpool in the League title chase.

Mr Clough invested £100,000 in Chesterfield's midfield man Danny Wilson and was showing an interest in Brentford's high-scoring winger Gary Roberts. Wilson is a former defender who began his career with Bury, Chesterfield signed him for £100,000 in 1980 and now he is seen as the possible successor to Mark Proctor in the Forest side.

Proctor joined Forest from Middlesbrough for £425,000 during the summer of 1981 with the proviso that Forest would have to pay a further £75,000 if he won three full England caps. In fact, Proctor has not made a great deal of progress since going to the City Ground though he did win his fourth Under-21 cap after joining the club.

Roberts scored his 14th goal of the season for Brentford against Orient and continues to impress Mr Clough. He could be the replacement for Scottish international winger John Robertson whose contract expires at the end of this season. Robertson was injured in the recent League game at Manchester United and will be out of the game for six weeks following a cartilage operation so Mr Clough may well have stepped up his enquiries for Roberts.

Forest, of course, need to draw in some cash from the sale of existing staff before they can indulge in too much transfer activity. They were hoping to complete the sale of striker Peter Ward to Brighton but the clubs failed to agree a fee. Ward has been on loan to the Sussex club for many weeks.

Brighton have other weighty matters on their mind at the moment. 'I am anxious to make progress on our new stadium,' says chairman Mike Bamber who last week confirmed that caretaker-manager Jimmy Melia has been given the job on a permanent basis.

'The Goldstone Ground is only fit for Third Division football', confessed Mr Bamber. 'Present-day fans expect something better.'

Mr Bamber has arranged finance for a £7 million development which would include a 20,000 all-seater stadium which would also double as a convention centre.

Three sites have been offered in the town

and discussions are continuing with the local council. When completed, the property will be owned by the town and will provide many other facilities, including a hypermarket, offices, car parking and facilities for other sports.

'This is the way football has to move,' maintains Mr Bamber. 'In this age there is no chance for any club to build a stadium like Old Trafford, say, from scratch. No club could afford that. I think Brighton may have the answer to the presentation of football in the future.'

While talks continue on that exciting project, new manager Melia has the task of trying to haul the team out of the relegation zone. Our 4-2 win at the Goldstone Ground extended Brighton's run to seven League matches without a win and, with clubs like the Hatters, Sunderland and Southampton all showing signs of improvement, Brighton's situation is becoming quite grave.

The rift between Scottish international striker Alan Brazil and Ipswich Town widened when he was dropped for the recent Atari Soccer Six tournament in Birmingham. Transfer-listed Brazil complained: 'I have been picked for a reserve game against Tottenham and I suppose I shall miss the cup-tie against Grimsby as well. It is not going to be much good to me if I stay in the reserves.'

Bobby Ferguson, the Ipswich manager, explained his decision. 'I was not happy with the player's attitude in our 1-0 defeat at Stoke,' he said.

Swansea City manager John Toshack seems determined to shake up his team as it hovers close to the relegation zone. Following the release of Welsh international winger Leighton James — who joined Sunderland on a free transfer — the Swansea boss suspended former England midfielder star Ray Kennedy. Neither club nor player would discuss the incident and, as Kennedy, shrugged: 'Nothing would be gained by airing the incident in public.'

With only one win in eight League games Swansea, who finished sixth last season when they were for some time in contention for the Championship, slipped to within a point of the danger area.

Tottenham's season, which looked so full of promise, seems to be crumbling away. A succession of injuries ruined their chances in the League and, though they kept going in both Cups, they were shattered by their 1-4 home defeat by struggl-

ing Second Division Burnley in the quarter-final of the Milk Cup. Two own goals by Graham Roberts hit Spurs below the belt, particularly as they came only days after a Gary O'Reilly own goal had cost them a victory at Kenilworth Road.

Key players like Paul Price, Steve Perryman, Glenn Hoddle, Garth Crooks, Tony Galvin and Steve Archibald have all missed vital games through injuries and, when Ossie Ardiles returned to the Spurs' team at Kenilworth Road, manager Keith Burkinshaw had used as many as 25 players in his First Division side this season.

With these continual changes, it is small wonder that Tottenham have lost much of their early-season effectiveness. Another big blow for Tottenham came in the form of a £10,000 fine for late payment of a VAT bill. The club was considering an appeal.

Aston Villa have sold their former Everton midfielder player Pat Heard to Sheffield Wednesday for £60,000.

Manchester United maintained their challenge for the Championship by defeating Nottingham Forest for the second time in the same week. United had crushed Forest 4-0 in the quarter-final of the Milk Cup and then followed with a 2-0 League victory. And still there was no place for fit-again former captain Ray Wilkins.

Manager Ron Atkinson felt it would be unfair to change a winning team and Wilkins accepted the position philosophically. 'All I can do is to try and play myself back into the side,' he said before turning out for a reserve game.

But England manager Bobby Robson, who appointed Wilkins captain at the start of the season, warned that he could not justify picking a reserve player for the England team.

Justin Fashanu, the striker who was ostracised by Nottingham Forest, is happily thanking neighbouring Notts County for giving him the chance to return to First Division football, following a £100,000 transfer. Fashanu's winning goal against Arsenal was his fifth in only seven games for the Meadow Lane club.

Fashanu is now charging himself for his biggest challenge of all — when he returns to the City Ground with his new club later in the season. Wait for fireworks as the player so severely criticised by Brian Clough aims to show that, contrary to Clough's opinion, he really does know how to play.

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Following last Saturday's game with Manchester United in the FA Cup, today's match must rank as the number one game in the League and I know there are many youngsters with us today excited by the prospect of us playing Liverpool.

I hope it is a great game for all to enjoy, just as the party of Junior Hatters who went to Anfield earlier in the season thoroughly enjoyed the exciting 3-3 draw.

Talking about excited youngsters brings me to mention the lucky young Junior Hatter who is member number 2,000. Paul Plamer of Bloomfield Avenue, Luton, is the happy lad! He and his parents will be guests of the club for the match against Birmingham City, scheduled for Saturday 19th February and the Junior Hatters Club will mark this occasion with a special feature for our match against the Blues.

Among our welcome guests today in the Junior Hatters Family Enclosure are employees and their families from the Bedford Trucks and Vauxhall Motors factories in Dunstable, Luton, and Ellesmere Port, who join us as part of the club's major sponsor deal with Bedford Trucks.

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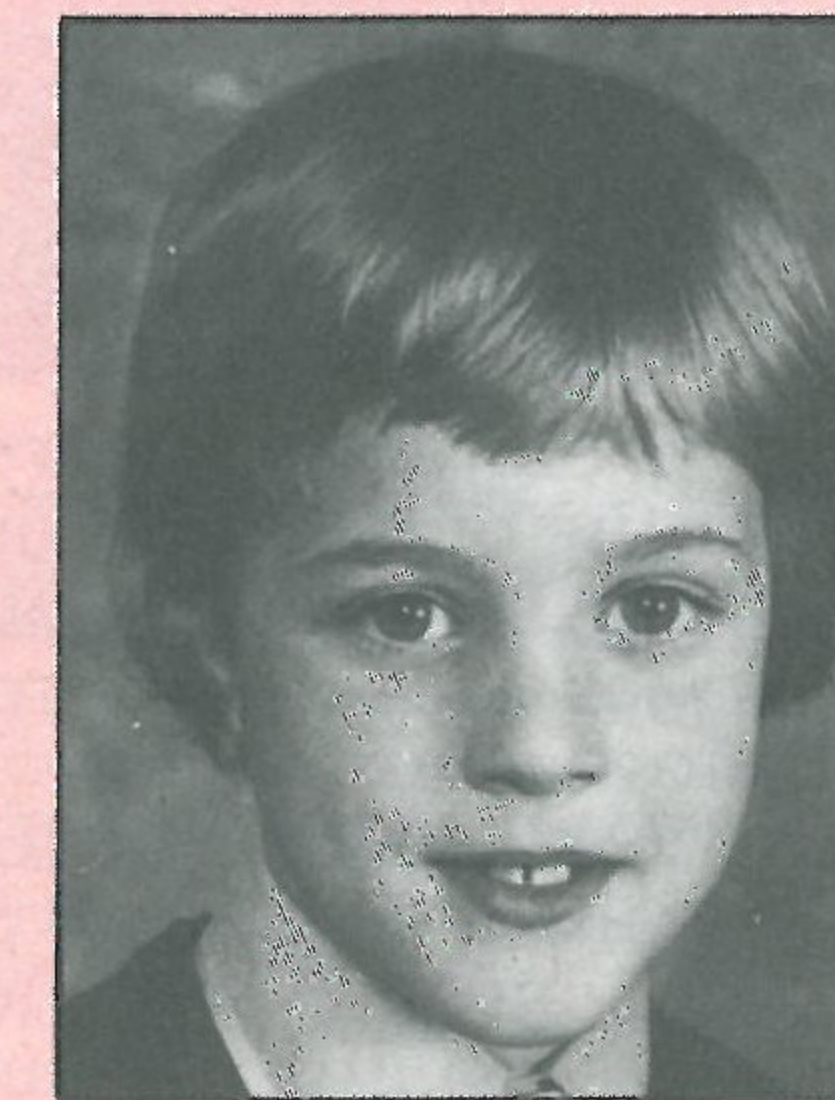
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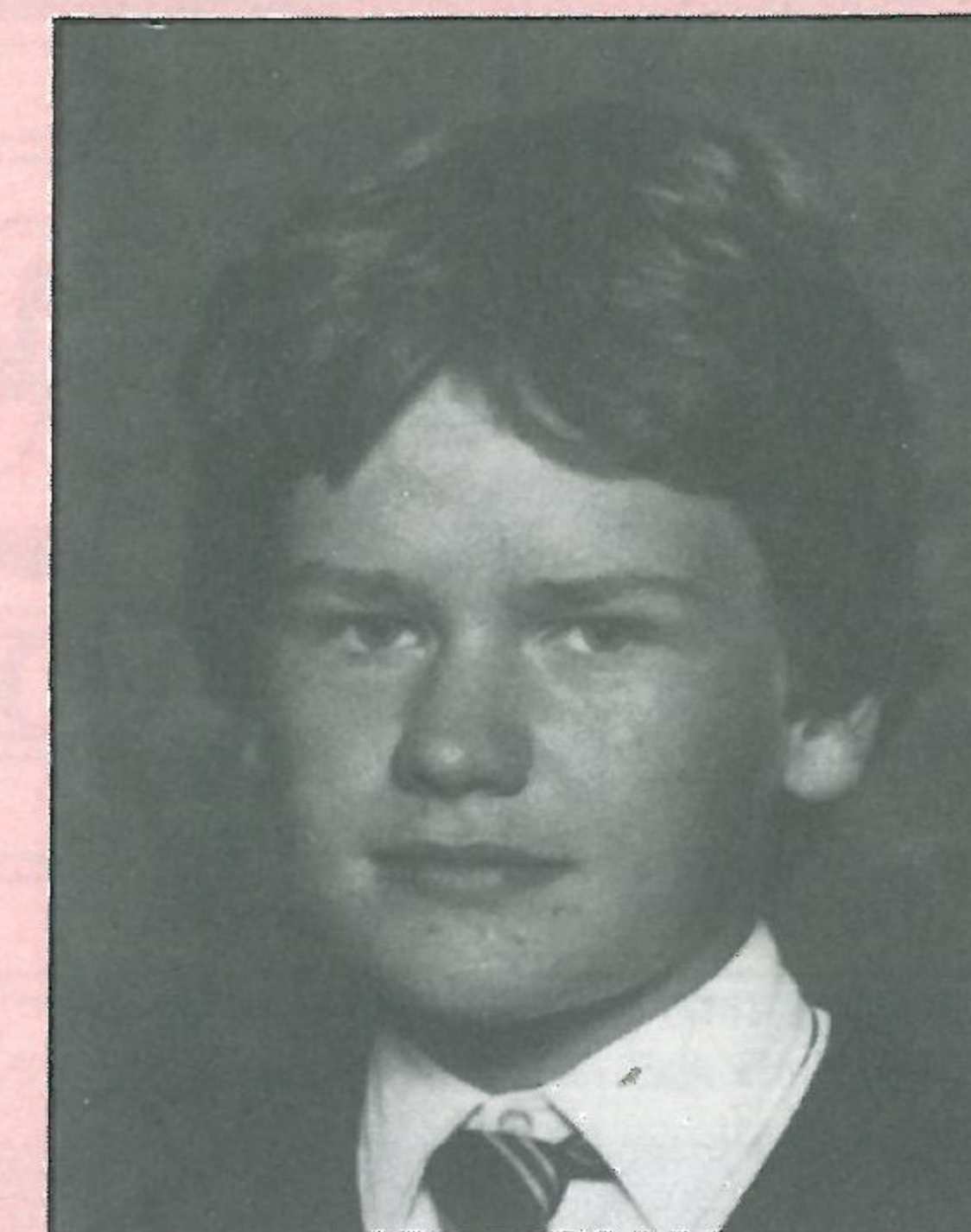
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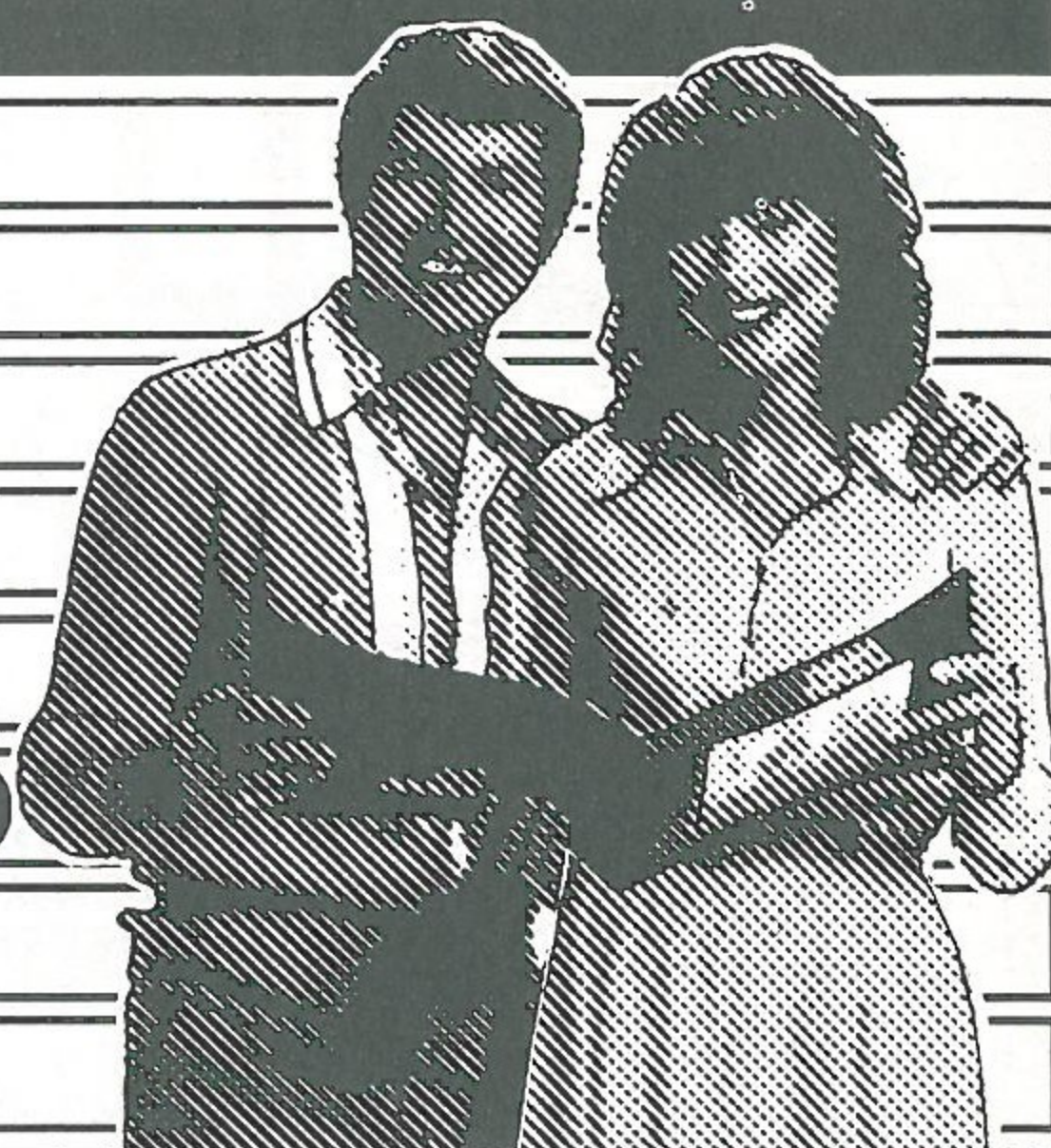
thill. His interests are football, swimming, snooker and cubs. His brother is also a member of the Junior Hatters.

**Five-a-side soccer:** Our two Leagues for 12s and over and Under-12s now have 21 teams playing regularly on Tuesday evenings in the canteen at the Bedford Truck factory in Boscombe Road, Dunstable. Newcomers include Marston Rovers, Stockwood, Vine FC and TFS.

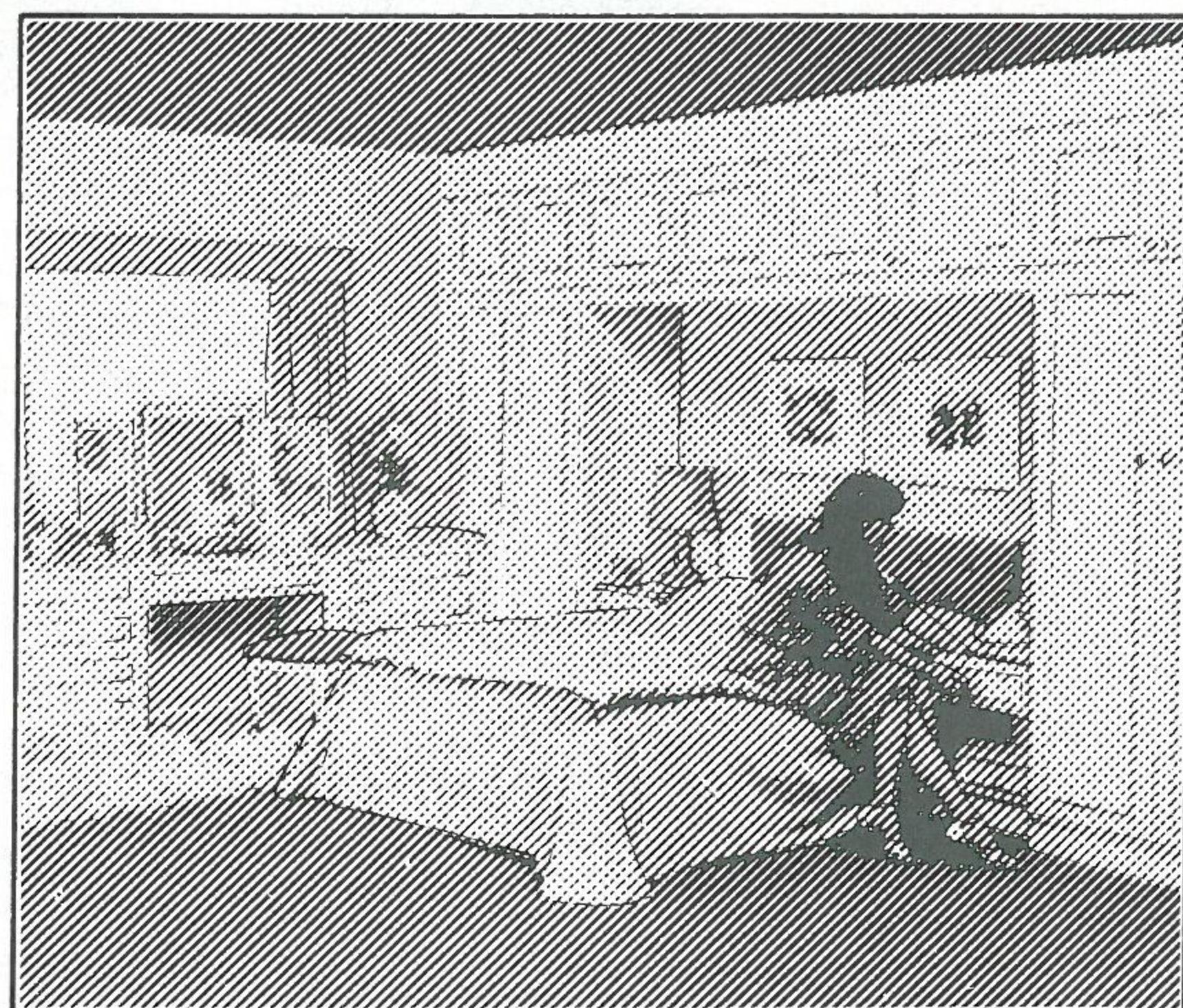
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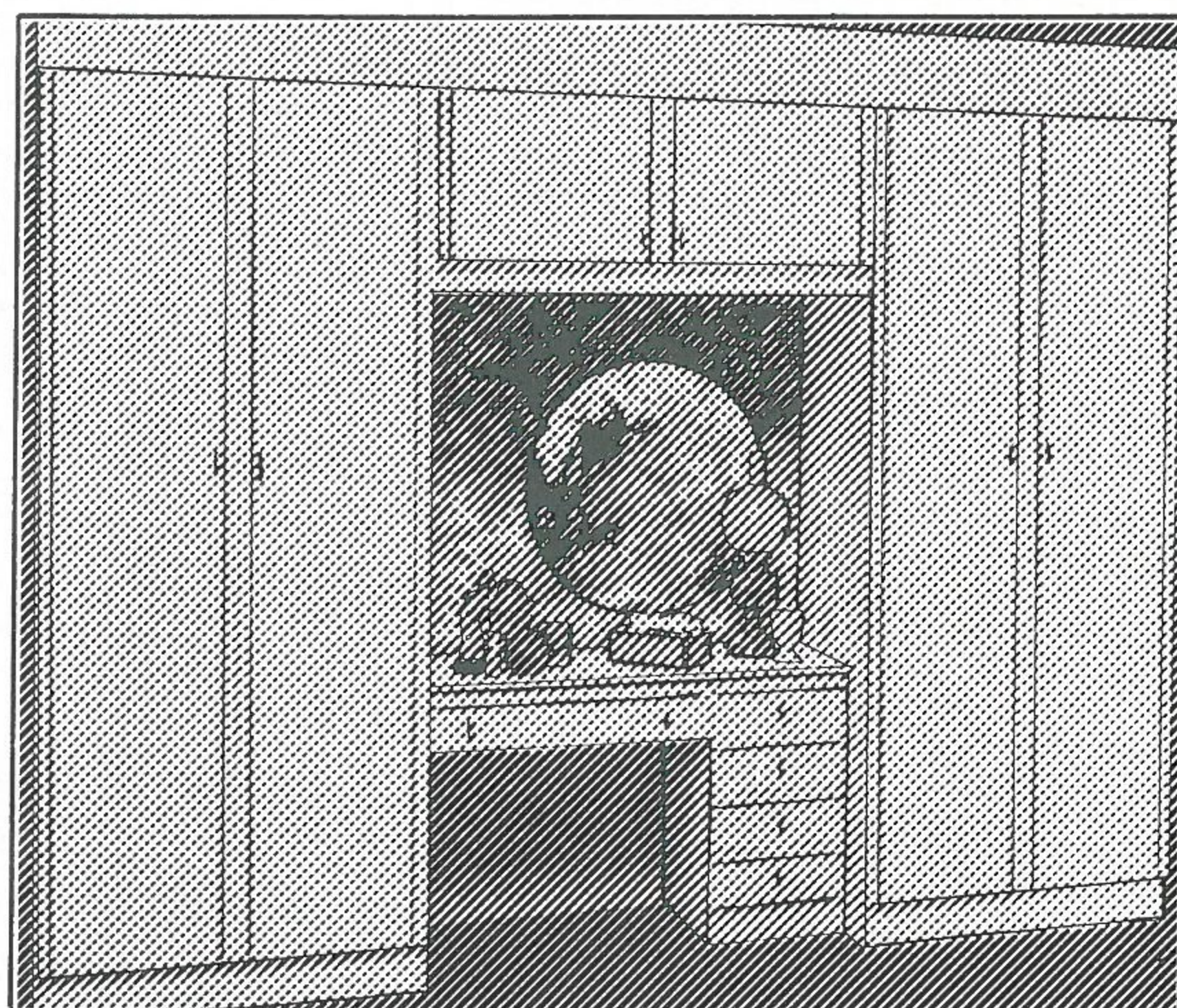
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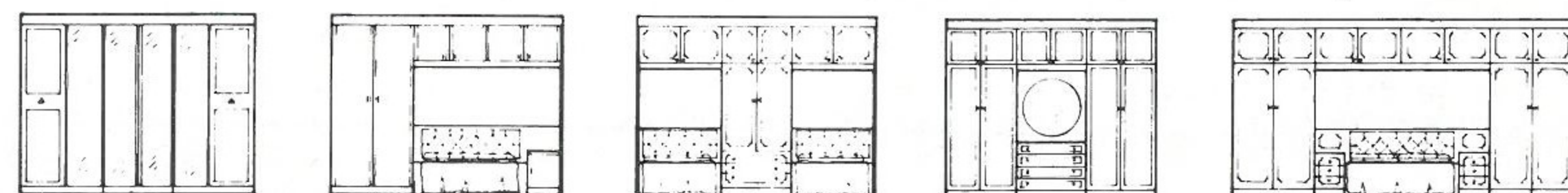
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TO US

Dear Sir, Although The Hatter matchday magazine is amongst the most expensive football programmes, I can honestly say its certainly one of the best and most interesting.

The production of every issue is first class, and no other Football League programme comes anywhere near it for content.

In the recent Town v Spurs issue, for instance, the Behind the Scenes profile was certainly interesting. I've always wondered what John Buttle, the matchday announcer looked like, and to find out that he's a banking executive amazed me.

The Newsdesk pages are always very informative and the Hatters A-Z must rate as a top class account of those who have played for the Town over the years. (Bob Morton's son Gary used to be a good mate of mine when we both lived in Eaton Bray during the fifties and sixties.)

The competition page with its three Phototeasers and Name the Star features, never fails to rack even the most knowledgeable soccer fans brains!

David Pleat's My View page always makes good reading. He's certainly down to earth and sensible with his comments and remarks, unlike many soccer managers who seem very narrow minded when it comes to appreciating all the good things in top class soccer.

The travel page is very informative and it's obvious Catherine Ball and her organisers put a great amount of time and effort into arranging the away transport for the Town fans. The pick up points are sensibly spaced out and convenient for the majority of fans following the Hatters. — the fares are cheap too!

I like the Hatters Focus page and it gives fans like myself, living some distance from Luton a chance to familiarise themselves with up and coming youngsters in the Town squad.

The regular Scene on One feature gives a very good account of what's going on generally in the Division and full marks to Tony Pullein for the way he compiles his Diary.

For good quality action packed soccer photographs the matchday programmes

shots are second to none; well done Gareth Owen!

I find John Wilkinson's journal very interesting and find myself recalling a fair number of the past events that he mentions in his column.

Through your letters page I have contacted and become good friends with other Luon supporters living in the north and midlands. Stuart Basson, who was born in Leighton Buzzard and brought up in Luton and Portsmouth, now lives in Chesterfield and we often share transport to and from the Hatters matches.

His number one team is Luton but as his parents still live in Portsmouth they are a close second! Other fans I have met through your magazine include an exiled Lutonian, Trevor Collins, and his girlfriend Jacky from Nottingham and Keith Brooksbank and his girlfriend Liz from Liverpool.

As you can see, I find your matchday magazine very interesting and certainly good value for money, unlike West Ham's recent programme when they played the Town. Forty pence a programme, two-thirds the size and half the content of The Hatter is certainly a rip off.

P.S. My brother, Paul Evans installed your PA system at Kenilworth Road some nine years ago when the Town last graced Division One. Ask John Buttle if he recalls Paul dashing around trying to sort out the radio mike problems when the television coverage was playing havoc with the sound during the pre-match half-time entertainment.

G. Evans  
Portland Street  
Whitwell  
Worksop  
Notts

Dear Sir, I am writing to your football club as a father of a boy born in 1969. The boy, whose name is Erik, is very much interested in European football, especially German, Dutch and English.

Of course, he plays football too. He does it in a famous Swedish club called Djurgarden. Their team of boys born in 1969 is one of the best in Sweden. They have proved that in several tournaments.

Will you please bring this letter to the attention of some of the leaders of your corresponding teams. I hope that the leader, on behalf of me, will offer the parents an exchange of boys during the summer of 1983.

I propose that a football-interested boy of about the same age as Erik shall come and stay in Stockholm for two-three weeks together with Erik in our family mainly at our expense and after that the two boys stay about the same time under similar conditions in your country. Further details can be settled later.

I can guarantee that the boy will have a very interesting time in Sweden and that we will do our very best to take care of him. I hope that some of the parents will find my offer interesting.

Leif Windmar  
Rättsviksvägen 49  
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Sweden

Dear David, I would like you to convey my thanks to Wayne Turner for coming along and putting on an excellent coaching session for the youngsters. I understand that Wayne played the night before at Norwich and could well have done with the day off, but he decided to come and pass on his knowledge to the young lads, which I thought was very good of him.

Also, thank you for giving up your own valuable time and personally passing on some wise tips to the boys. I hope that they sink in to them.

Hopefully, we can make some similar arrangements for the future. I wish you and the team the best of luck for 1983.

Robin Wainwright  
Assistant Manager  
Luton Regional Sports Centre

We are always interested in hearing from our supporters and invite them to write to us on any point concerning Luton Town FC. We will do our best to publish your letters in the matchday magazine.

Send your letters to: The Matchday Magazine Editor, Luton Town FC, Kenilworth Road, Luton.

# LETTERS

# WATTERS A-Z

PART 17 - By TONY PULLEIN

## APPENDIX 'A' Football League Results Division Three (South)

	1920-21	1921-22	1922-23	1923-24	1924-25	1925-26
	H	A	H	A	H	A
Aberdare	1-2	0-2	4-1	1-2	1-0	1-0
Bournemouth				6-2	3-2	0-2
Brentford	2-0	0-1	3-0	2-0	4-0	2-3
Brighton	3-2	1-1	2-0	1-1	1-0	0-0
Bristol C			1-1	0-1		3-0
Bristol R	1-2	0-5	1-2	0-2	1-0	1-1
Charlton			2-0	1-0	2-2	1-2
Crystal P	2-2	1-2				3-2
Exeter	3-0	0-1	4-0	1-0	6-0	2-1
Gillingham	5-0	0-0	7-0	1-0	2-0	0-1
Grimsby	3-1	1-0				0-0
Merthyr	1-0	1-4	3-0	0-2	2-1	1-0
Millwall	0-0	0-0	1-0	1-1	2-2	0-0
Newport	2-2	0-2	4-0	2-2	1-0	3-0
Northampton	3-1	0-1	3-0	0-2	2-1	0-2
Norwich	4-0	0-3	2-1	1-0	4-0	2-1
Plymouth	1-1	0-1	1-0	0-2	2-1	0-4
Portsmouth	2-2	0-3	1-0	1-1	0-2	2-1
QPR	2-1	1-4	3-1	0-1	1-0	0-4
Reading	6-0	1-0	0-1	1-2	1-2	0-3
Southampton	1-1	1-1	0-0	1-2		
Southend	4-0	1-1	3-0	1-0	2-0	3-1
Swansea	3-0	1-1	3-0	1-1	6-1	0-1
Swindon	2-0	1-9	2-1	1-1	3-2	1-1
Watford	1-0	0-1	1-1	1-4	0-1	1-2

## Football League appearance and goalscorers 1920-21

Appearances: Bailey, H. 38; Bayliss, R. 1; Bookman, J. 40; Broadley, J. 5; Butcher, G. 16; Cockerill, H. L. 8; Higginbotham, H. 28; Hill, P. 6; Hoar, S. 39; Hull, F. 3; Lamb, J. W. 24; Lennon, G. 37; McKechnie, I.; Mathieson, A. 28; Millar, J. 1; Molyneux, W. 36; Parker, T. H. 35; Pett, E. F. 1; Roe, A. 11; Semple, J. 7; Shankland, J. 3; Sidney, H. 2; Simms, E. 40; Tirrell, 37; Walker, J. 1; Walsh, W. 10; Watson, J. M. 4. Scorer: Simms 28; Mathieson 10; Hoar 5; Bookman 4; Higginbotham 4; Hill 4; Butcher 3; Bradley 1; Tirrell 1; Opponent 1.

## 1921-22

Appearances: Bailey, H. 42; Bassett, E. J. 21; Bookman, J. 32; Butcher, G. 30; Foster, J. H. 23; Graham, R. C. 2; Higginbotham, H. 30; Hoar, S. 33; Lennon, G. 39; Mathieson, A. 25; Millar, R. 8; Molyneux, W. 20; Parker, T. B. 1; Reid, S. 10; Roe, A. 35; Simms, E. 25; Stephenson, J. 6; Tirrell, A. 39; Walker, J. R. 34; Walsh, W. 7.

Scorers: Simms 18; Higginbotham 12; Butcher 9; Mathieson 6; Hoar 5; Bassett 3; Reid 2; Tirrell 2; Walker 2; Walsh 2; Foster 1; Opponents 2.

## 1922-23

Appearances: Bailey, H. 2; Bird, S. 1; Bonsall, C. 1; Brown, A. C. 1; Butcher, G. 33; Clarkson, W. 32; Cottingham, I.; Foster, J. H. 14; Gibbon, T. 39; Graham, R. C. 9; Henderson, W. 1; Higginbotham, H. 23; Hoar, S. 36; Hoten, R. V. 12; Irvine, T. 8; Jennings, W. 30; Lennon, G. 31; Millar, R. 2; Molyneux, W. 23; Mosley, H. 3; Reader, R. 7; Reid, S. 33; Roe, A. 30; Stephenson, J. 4; Thompson, R. 17; Tirrell, A. 40; Walker, J. R. 29. Scorer: Reid 19; Higginbotham 10; Hoten 8; Butcher 7; Thompson 7; Hoar 6; Clarkson 3; Tirrell 2; Bonsall 1; Foster 1; Jennings 1; Molyneux 1; Roe 1; Walker 1.

## 1923-24

Appearances: Anderson, R. 35; Bonsall, C. 7; Butcher, G. 30; Clarke, P. R. 1; Dan- skin, C. 11; Foster, J. H. 11; Gibbon, T. 30; Graham, R. C. 16; Green, J. 25; Henderson, W. 1; Hoar, S. 38; Hoten, R. 41; Jennings, W. 32; Kerr, A. 39; Millar, R. 29; Orr, J. 9; Pearson, J. 1; Prentice, H. 1; Reid, S. 14; Roe, A. 11; Shepherd, W. V. 3; Till, J. 34; Tirrell, A. 6; Walker, J. 37. Scorer: Kerr 20; Hoar 7; Reid 6; Green 5; Hoten 5; Butcher 3; Bonsall 1; Foster 1; Millar 1; Walker 1.

## 1924-25

Appearances: Anderson, R. 30; Brookes, G. H. 42; Brown, T. H. 15; Butcher, G. 12; Cockle, E. S. 7; Dennis, G. T. 41; Graham, R. C. 21; Hoar, S. 14; Hoten, R. 6; Jennings, W. 35; Johnson, J. 11; Keen, W. 3; Kerr, A. 29; Mackey, J. 10; Millar, R. 28; Mills, J. 31; Neal, S. 2; Reid, S. 26; Richards, A. C. 2; Roe, A. 6; Shankly, J. 28; Thirlaway, W. 13; Till, J. 22; Tricker, R. W. 4; Walker, J. 24. Scorer: Dennis 12; Reid 12; Shankly 11; Kerr 5; Butcher 2; Hoar 2; Mills 2; Cockle 1; Jennings 1; Mackey 1.

## 1925-26

Appearances: Agnew, W. 23; Anderson, R. 10; Bedford, S. G. 1; Dennis, G. T. 36; Graham, R. C. 41; Jennings, W. 17; Littlewood, C. S. 6; Love, T. 2; Moffatt, H. 33; Millar, R. 38; Miller, J. 11; Mingay, H. 17; Neal, S. 25; Purdy, A. 25; Reid, S. 14; Rennie, A. 15; Richards, D. 17; Robinson, F. 1; Shankly, J. 18; Thompson, J. W. 41; Thomson, N. 26; Till, J. 37; Walker, J. R. 8. Scorer: Thompson, J. W. 24; Dennis 16; Shankly 9; Agnew 8; Thom- son, N. 5; Reid 4; Moffatt 4; Miller 3; Graham 2; Littlewood 2; Robinson 1; Till 1; Millar 1.

In Part 18 we shall cover the six seasons commencing with 1926-27.

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The name The Star competition continues from the Manchester United magazine. As we are sure you all know we add a small proportion of the body of a famous player inviting you to guess the players' identity. As the detail increases so the prize will diminish. Send your entries to: Luton Town FC Matchday Magazine, 70-72 Kenilworth Road, Luton, Beds.



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## AWAYDAY TRAVEL

We're off on our travels a week today when we visit old Trafford to tackle Manchester United, our visitors last Saturday.

Once again, many of our supporters will use the official Travel Club coaches. But for those who wish to make thier own way, this RAC route may be helpful.

Leave London on the M1.

Leave the M1 at junction 19 (M6).

Follow the M6 to junction 20 (M56).

Follow the M56 eastbound to the junction with the M63.

Take the M63 to interseccion 7 (A56).

Take A56 (Chester Road) into Old Trafford.

Turn left into Warwick Road for the football ground.

## MEET THE SUPERFANS



David Pleat has often referred to the tremendous support shown by our fans at away games.

But there is little doubt that some of our supporters at home matches deserve a special pat on the back for their loyal following shown towards the team.

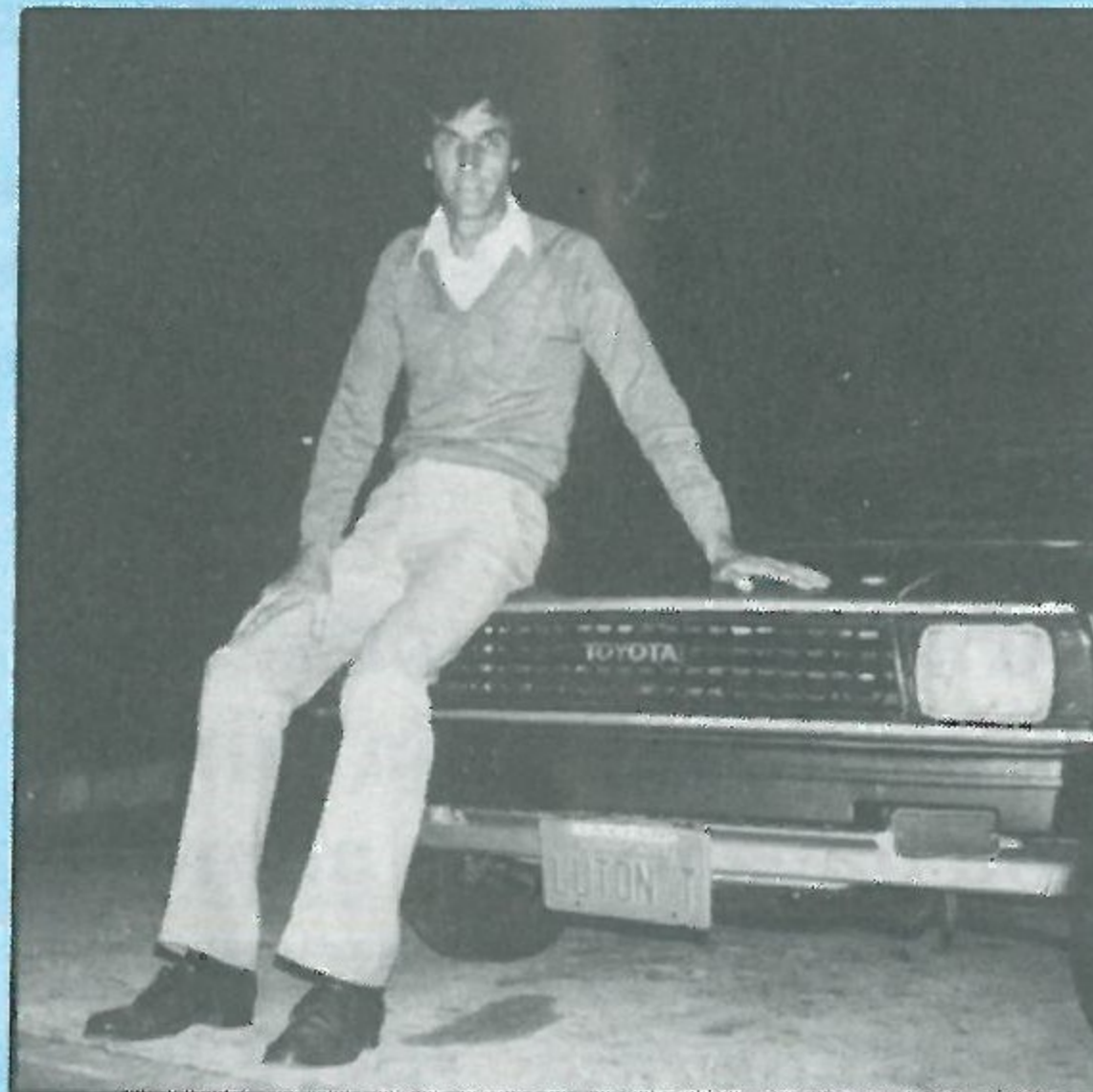
Mrs M. Fetherington, who lives in Harlington, has supported Luton for 37 years and worked in the tea bar under the main stand for 24 years.

Her mother, Mrs Wickins, supported the club for 22 years and worked for us for 14.

The family connection, however, lives on because Mrs Fetherington's 21-year-old daughter Sharon is also a keen fan.

It is not a misprint for us to tell you Sharon has been following the Hatters for 21 years because her mum used to bring her to Kenilworth Road in her pram when she was only a month old.

## AND ANOTHER



Our supporters will go to great lengths to show their determination to follow the team — and we doubt if there's a better example than this.

Ray Hill, who came back to Luton for Christmas from his home in California, brought us news of Alan Stewart who lives in Los Angeles and has a Luton personalised car number plate.

Alan, a founder member of Bramingham Rovers, worked for Vauxhall Motors and SKF before emigrating to America. He is now a vice-president of the First Inter State Bank of California.

## CENTURY CLUB

Another exciting afternoon for us today, and those of us who travelled to Liverpool in September are still talking of the tremen-

dous game we saw there between our two teams.

More and more of our members are sponsoring us this season. We thank our friends from Potton Timber for providing the raffle prizes last week at the Manchester United Cup game, and today, we thank John Chatterley and Neil Gambrell.

It is tremendously encouraging to receive support such as we have had this season from members, and this will help swell our contribution to the football club by a considerable amount.

Our grand raffle this year will be drawn on Saturday 9th April in the Century Club during the afternoon of the Aston Villa match. Raffle books will be with you shortly, and we look for a bumper return.

As it is a Grand Easter raffle the first prize is a weekend trip to the Dutch bulb fields, a nice seasonal surprise for the lucky winner, with many other prizes. How many depends on your generosity, and we shall be glad to receive donations as soon as possible.

Don't forget our annual quiz next Wednesday at 8 p.m. Tickets are £1 and, if you haven't one, you can pay at the door.

## IN RETROSPECT

### Luton Town v Liverpool

Division Two: 1954-55 3-2 (h) 4-4 (a), 1960-61 2-1 (h) 2-2 (a), 1961-62 1-0 (h) 1-1 (a).

Division One: 1974-75 Luton Town 1 (Butlin) Liverpool 2 (Smith, Heighway) Liverpool 2 (Toshack, Heighway) Luton Town 0.

1982-83 Liverpool 3 (Souness, Rush, Johnston) Luton Town 3 (Stein 2, Moss)

Teams for last game here, August 17th 1974:

LUTON TOWN: Horn, John, Ryan, Thomson, Anderson, Litt, Garner, Hindson, Husband, Butlin, West, Aston.

LIVERPOOL: Clemence, Smith, Lindsay, Thompson, Cormack, Hughes, Keegan, Hall, Heighway, Boersma, Callaghan. Attendance: 21,062.

## LIVERPOOL THROUGH THE YEARS

Four Liverpool players appeared in the Home International Championship games of 1921-22 — Ephraim Longworth and Tom Lucas for England, Don McKinlay for Scotland and Edward Parry for Wales.

Liverpool won all 14 of their home games in Division Two in 1893-94.

Liverpool became the first club to top Division Two and Division One in successive seasons in 1904-5-6.

Willie Fagan played for Preston in the FA Cup final of 1937 and for Liverpool in the FA Cup final of 1950.

Cyril Done scored his first Football League goal in September 1939 and his second in September 1946, both for Liverpool.

Roger Hunt netted in the first and the last minute of his first FA Cup-tie v Orient in January 1960.

Brian Hall hit his first League or Cup goal in the FA Cup semi-final against Everton in March 1971.

Liverpool used only 14 players in winning the First Division Championship in 1965-66.

Liverpool remained unbeaten in 85 successive League and Cup games at Anfield from January 21st 1978 (when losing to Birmingham) until January 31st 1981 (when losing to Leicester).

## PRE-MATCH ENTERTAINMENT

Sonriki Shotokan Kai meets every Wednesday (7.30-9.30 p.m.) and Sunday (2.30-4.30 p.m.) at the Co-op Sports and Social Club, Stockingstone Road, Round Green, Luton.

The club is affiliated to the Sports Council's Martial Arts Commission, and it is run by qualified black belt instructors on a voluntary basis.

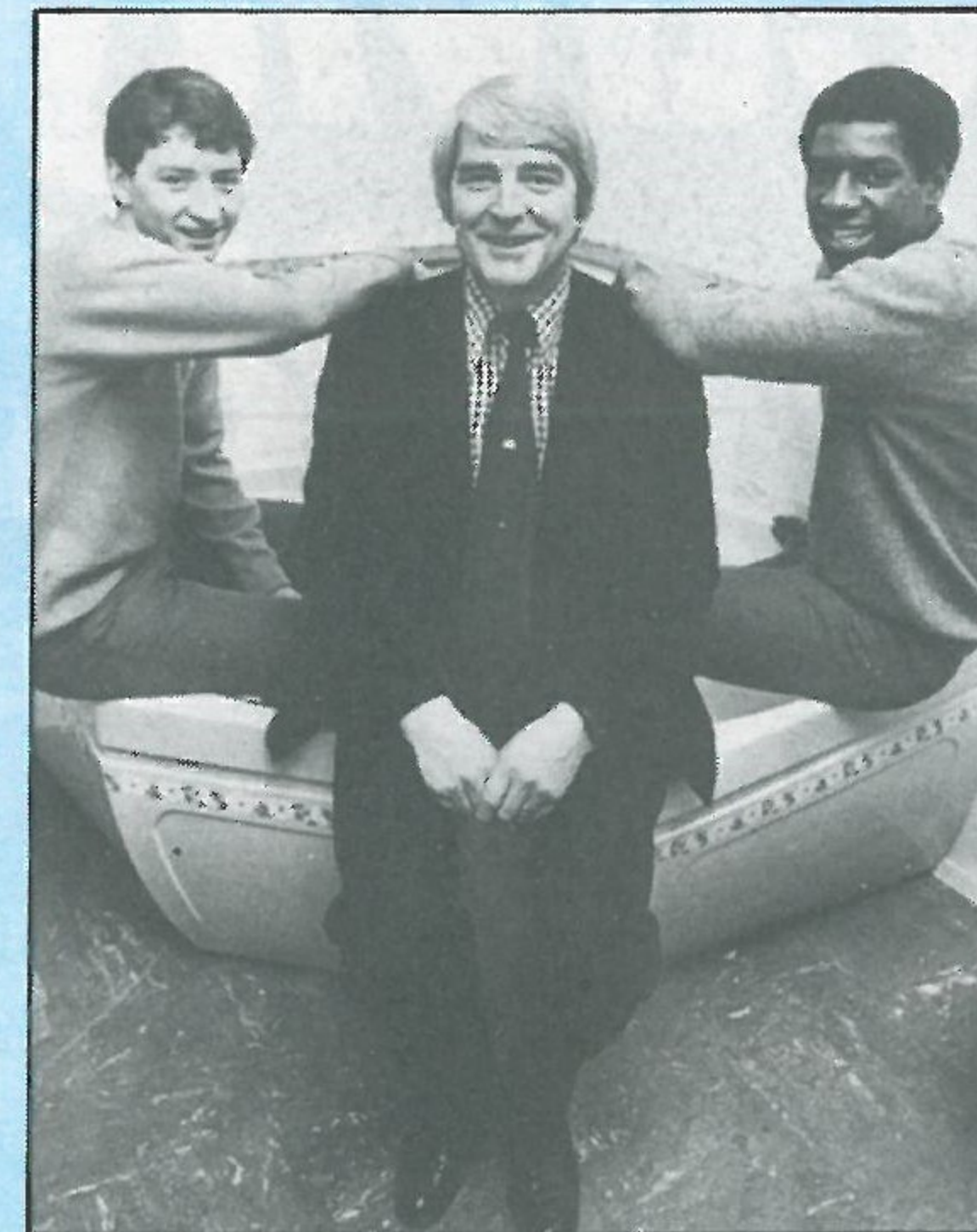
There are about 60 regular students and six black belt instructors. Training is based on traditional Japanese methods, which includes strict discipline in the dojo (training hall). Warm-up exercises are followed by basic training in stances, blocks, strikes, kicks and throws, then controlled sparring

practice (kumite) and formal combinations (kata).

The difficulty and complexity of the techniques increases with the experience of the student. Grading examinations are held every three to four months so all students can gradually progress through the coloured belts (red, orange, yellow, green, purple(2), and brown (3)), eventually taking their black belt grade.

A number of children and adults from the club have won trophies at association competitions. Our next beginner's course starts on Wednesday February 9th at 7.30 p.m. (Enquiries Luton 410675).

## GALA OPENING



Our lads have been out and about again promoting the name of the club with local industry. Mark Watts and Michael Thomas are pictured with John Dandy, chairman of Gibbs and Dandy, at the opening of the company's refurbished showrooms.

## TIME FOR A REST



This afternoon's match and last week's FA Cup-tie against Manchester United produced a heavy workload for our box office staff as they dealt with hundreds of enquiries for stand seats.

Commercial manager Mike Hardwicke and ticket sales manager John Gornall were, perhaps understandably, more than pleased when their supplies of tickets ran out.

John told us: 'We were on the go from the moment we stepped in the office at 7.30 every morning until we closed at 5.30 p.m.'

## TODAY'S REFEREE

Brian Hill of Kettering commenced refereeing in 1965 with local leagues. Progressed to United Counties League before moving on to the Southern League and finally the Football League List in 1975. A County Youth Final referee and also refereed a non-League championship match in 1975, a Schoolboys International at Wembley in 1977, and non-League Anglo-Italian competitions in 1977 and 1979. In 1979 lined an Egyptian League match in Cairo and was Senior Linesman for FA Cup semi-final the same year. In 1980 refereed the Northants Senior Cup Final.

Enjoys watching all sports and listening to music, and hobbies include reading and gardening. A wages/cost accountant for a building firm, he is a married man with two children.

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# LUTON LEISURE

## A LOOK AT THE LUTON LEISURE SCENE

Due to the success of the Subbuteo and Scalextric tournament held recently at Hightown Recreation Centre, further Subbuteo and Scalextric clubs are due to open there shortly.

The Subbuteo Club will have a league with divisions and, at the end of the season, you will be promoted or relegated like the Football League.

In addition, the winners of Division One will then go the Regional Championships, which could lead to the National World Championships.

The Scalextric Club will have Grand Prix's named after the real races, and when possible the circuit will be similar in shape to the real one.

In addition, points will be awarded to the winners as in the World Championships. The winner will then receive a special trophy.

Many of you that are still at school will be wandering what to do at half term. Following the trampoline course and junior superstars at Luton Regional Sports Centre, which were mentioned in the previous magazine, the Regional Sports Centre are also organising a junior archery course on the 17th and 18th February from 10 a.m. to noon. The cost is £2.

Also, on Friday the 18th, there is a table tennis tournament for boys and girls aged under 13 and 15 years. Entrance fee is 50p. More information is available at Luton Regional Sports Centre, St Thomas Road, Luton (416772).

There is also plenty of activities on at other centres during the holiday, so why not telephone the following numbers to

find out what is going on.

Lea Manor Recreation Centre, Northwell Drive, Marsh Farm, (599888); Lewsey Centre, Landrace Road, Lewsey Farm, (69355); Putteridge Recreational Centre, Putteridge Road, (31664); Luton Baths Centre, Bath Road, (20621); Lewsey Park Road, Pastures Way, Lewsey Farm, (69355).

Also during the half term holiday, there are film shows. Two films that will be shown are Winnie the Pooh in Tiger Two and Petes Dragon suitable for 3 to 8 year olds. Mission Calactica is for children over 8. Details are:

Date	Time	Venue	Programme
Tues 15th Feb	10.30 a.m.	Lea Manor	Winnie the Pooh
Tues 15th Feb	2.00 p.m.	Putteridge	Winnie the Pooh
Wed 16th Feb	2.00 p.m.	Lewsey Centre	Winnie the Pooh
Thurs 17th Feb	10.30 a.m.	Putteridge	Mission Calactica
Thurs 17th Feb	2.00 p.m.	Lea Manor	Mission Calactica
Fri 18th Feb	2.00 p.m.	Regional	Mission Calactica

Each programme last two and a half hours and admission is 30p.

Finally, if any readers enjoy music, why not go to Bute Square, in the Arndale Centre tomorrow, when the Royal Philharmonic Orchestra, conducted by Alun Francis, will be playing. The orchestra will be playing the music of Mendelssoln, Rovel, Gounod, Dvorak, Wagner, Mascagni and Tckaikousky. It starts at 3.00 p.m. and you pay at St George's Square entrance.

Ideas for new activities, competitions are always helpful and needed, if you have any or wish to obtain information on any of the above mentioned activities taking place in the near future, please contact or telephone: Mark Iacono, Marsh House, Leagrave, Luton, (56879).

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# LOTTERY TOPICS

If anyone had told me that, before I went on holiday to Australia, how popular and well known Luton Town Football Club is Down Under, I wouldn't have believed it.

Although I should have had an idea because of the high volume of mail orders we send to Australia, the reason for our popularity is due to national television coverage of our games there.

While I was there, we were featured several times on television and I remember basking in the enjoyment of our 3-3 draw at Liverpool. I think I could have turned Phil Neal inside out as much as Paul Walsh.

Luton Town FC are rated very highly out there and I saw evidence of that on several occasions. I saw a surfer in a Luton Town shirt on Bondi Beach, and someone else wearing a straw hat with a Luton ribbon in it.

I saw plenty of Luton rosettes and felt really at home thanks to those incidents and our exposure on television.

One particularly happy memory came when I was invited to a party in Sydney and was greeted by the sounds of the old Hatters record. I was also asked to answer several questions concerning Luton Town. But the party's over now and it's back to the grindstone with our army of lottery agents who perform so well for the club.

Despite the recession, sales are heartwarming and I thank our agents for the fine work they are doing.

**MIKE HARDWICKE**  
Commercial Manager

# JOHN'S JOURNAL

The last time our two clubs met at Kenilworth Road in a First Division game was on the opening day of the season in August 1974 when we lost 2-1.

Barry Butlin put us ahead after 27 minutes and Tommy Smith equalised with one of his rare goals after 31 minutes. Steve Heighway scored the winner 20 minutes from the end. The attendance was 21,216, a figure which I hope will be equalled today.

A lot has been said of Liverpool over the past few years and I don't intend to repeat any of it except to say that they are one of the finest outfits in English football since the war.

Spectators were thin on the ground during the Second Division match here on March 31st 1962 when only 9,086 saw us beat Liverpool 1-0. The teams were:

Luton Town: Standen, McNally, Bramwell, Groves, Kelly, Pacey, Morton, Turner, Ashworth, McKechnie, Fleming.

Liverpool: Furnell, Byrne, Moran, Milne, Yeats, Leishman, Callaghan, Hunt, St John, Melia, Acourt.

Pacey scored Luton's goal after 13 minutes but I wonder how long it is since they played in front of so few spectators.

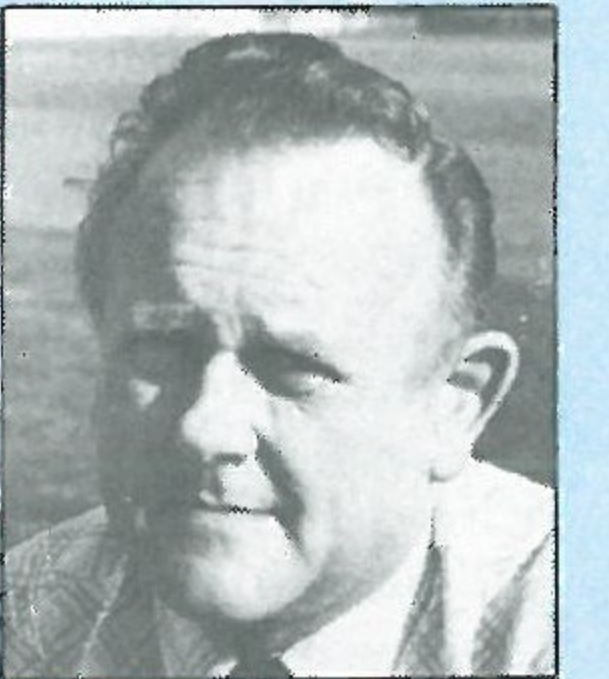
Even in those days they had players who, later in life, made a name for themselves. Moran, the left back, is now the club's first team trainer. Milne, at right half, was the manager at Coventry City and currently at Leicester City.

Centre half Yeats was manager of Wigan Athletic and we see Ian St John on television every week. Jimmy Melia is now manager at Brighton. I wonder how many of the present squad will be doing something like this when their playing days are over.

The club has had only five managers since the war and that must be something of a record. George

Kay, Don Welsh, Phil Taylor, Bill Shankly and Bob Paisley are the men involved and Bob has announced his retirement at the end of the season. To my knowledge I don't know of any player going to Liverpool from Luton Town and only Peter Spiring, Phil Boersma and Richard Money have come to Luton.

**JOHN WILKINSON**, Secretary



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# MEMORY STRETCHER

Liverpool's visit to Kenilworth Road this afternoon sent secretary John Wilkinson delving into our archives again. He came out with a copy of the programme which signalled the arrival of Liverpool's first visit here 29 years ago.

For those who thrive on a little nostalgia, we reproduce the two teams for the match and some of the notes from the programme.

WELCOME to Liverpool on their first-ever visit to Luton Town. We have met before, however, for in Season 1938/39 we were drawn to play the Reds at Anfield Road in the Third Round of the FA Cup. Although our lads played exceedingly well and seemed to have more of the game we lost in the end by three clear goals to put paid to the hopes we had that season of emulating our successes of the 1932/33 season when we reached the 6th Round.

Those of you who went to Liverpool to see the match may like to be reminded of the players taking part; they were Kemp, Harley, Ramsden, Busby, Bush, McInnes, Nieuwenhuys, Taylor, Fagan, Balmer and Paterson, G. For Luton — Coen, King, Dunsmore, Finlayson, Dreyer, Roberts, Clark, Redfern, Billington, Connelly and Stephenson. We were beaten but not disgraced, for we kept fresh our reputation of being worthy Cup fighters.

Enjoying a two-goal lead away from home with only ten minutes to go looked a safe enough bet that we would obtain our third away victory of the season at Nottingham last Saturday.

But alas it was not to be, and in the end brought a point away only to register our first draw of the season. Bob Morton in his role of centre forward had a very good match, and although being credited with two goals had very bad luck in being deprived of his hat trick by the Referee disallowing the goal for "hands" when in fact the ball had merely run up his hand but was not in any way played by it.

LUTON TOWN			Football League—Div. II		
Shirts White	Knickers Black	Stockings Black with White Tops	Goal		
2 Dunne	3 Aberne	4 Pemberton	5 Owen	6 Shanks	7 Adam
Right Back	Left Back	Right Half	Centre Half	Left Half	Outside Left
7 Davies	8 Turner	9 Morton	10 Cummins	11	
Outside Right	Inside Right	Centre	Inside Left	Outside Left	
Referee: Mr. C. W. KINGSTON (Newport, Mon.)			Linesmen: Red Flag: Mr. A. H. Bibb (Sunbury) Orange Flag: Mr. C. H. Pegg (Cambridge)		
11 Acourt	10 Evans	9 Hughes	8 Anderson	7 Jackson	6 Saunders
Outside Left	Inside Left	Centre	Inside Right	Outside Right	Right Half
6 Twentyman	3 Lock	2 Lambert	1 Ashcroft		
Left Half	Left Back	Right Back	Goal		
LIVERPOOL			Kick-Off 2.30 p.m.		
Shirts Red	Knickers White	Stockings Red and White Hoops	Spectators are asked NOT TO CROSS THE PLAYING FIELD after the match		

Gordon Turner right on the stroke of half-time, in fact the whistle went after the ball had left his foot, shot the ball into the net but it was not allowed to register as a goal.

Apart from these two occasions the ball missed the County net by inches from further efforts by Morton and Turner, and then when Jimmy Adam made it three goals to one with ten minutes only to go we really saw victory looming up, but in those remaining minutes the County players, ably backed by the crowd, put everything they had into their efforts, to finally snatch a most dramatic draw. It was a match well worth going a long way to see for it had everything the football fan could wish.

Our Reserve side took their worst hiding for a very long time against the Arsenal here last Saturday when the "Gunners" won by the impressive score of six goals to one. This result strangely enough could easily have gone the other way if at least three good chances had been accepted by us before Arsenal had scored.

In the end of course we had to play second fiddle to them when they were enjoying a four-goal lead, but it was not at all as easy for the conquerors as the score suggests, but of course we do not deny that our visitors were well worthy of their two points as the game turned out.

# MATCH SPONSOR

Bedford Trucks are proud to sponsor today's match, because, in addition to welcoming Luton's magnificent opponents — First Division leaders Liverpool — we would also like to welcome their supporters who work at our Ellesmere Port plant who have travelled to join us. In fact, we have already enjoyed our own mini Luton-Liverpool clash. This morning, at the Bedford Truck plant in Dunstable,

we arranged a five-a-side tournament between two sets of teams from our Luton, Dunstable and Ellesmere Port factories.

The youngsters who took part have been brought to today's activities by Vauxhall and Bedford employees who were successful in draws, held in each of our plants, for tickets for today's big match.

The games were played between teams of Under-12s and Under-16s and we would like to congratulate all the stars of the future who took part in addition to thanking Luton Town players who took the time to meet them.

Bedford would also like to offer warm greetings to their guests from the transport business here today. We hope you all have an enjoyable and memorable day.

# COMMERCIAL SCENE



THE WEEKLY LOOK AT THE HATTERS COMMERCIAL SCENE



On several occasions this season, we have blown our own trumpet on the subject of our superb catering facilities. We make no apologies for doing so again.

Our impressive Hatters Club with two fine bars, a fine dance floor area and seating for 200 people, is capable of meeting the most stringent demands in the catering field.

We have continuously catered for wedding parties, dinners, meetings, seminars and exhibitions and local industry has often taken full advantage of the Hatters Club to promote their products to their customers.

But the Hatters Club is only one area of an extensive range of suites which we can offer to any private party with full bar facilities.

We pride ourselves on claiming that our banqueting and function facilities are the best in the area and we have many satisfied customers who continuously return.

Whether you require a small intimate room or a large exhibition hall, Luton Town FC is perhaps a venue you have never considered. But we have a team of full-time experts who are trained to provide the highest standards and maintain them.

Our Cane Room is a small private bar available for hire. It can accommodate 10 people for a private party or small business meeting which requires lunch or dinner.

The directors' boardroom is also available for private hire and, again, accommodates 10 people.

The delightfully spacious Kenilworth Suite can comfortably cater for 40 covers for lunch or dinner and 60 for a cold carvery or buffet and provides the ideal venue for sales conferences.

Our Joe Payne Lounge is another example of our excellent facilities. It can cater for 150 people for dinner or 200 for a buffet dance. Two large bars are situated along the side of the room.

The Century Club is another area ideally suited for the small private party or exhibition and we can provide light catering facilities.

Last, but by no means least, is the Hatters Cellar Bar which is open seven days a week during licensing hours. It is open to non-members except on match days.

The Cellar Bar is a regular meeting place for Luton fans who enjoy their pint and a natter about their favourite team. Bar snacks are available at competitive prices.

We also provide a full service for outside catering, and marquees are available to make your function an outstanding success.

Are you ready to let us help you? A call to our catering manager, Clive Hustwitt, on Luton 411526 will provide the complete details of the services we offer.

# BEHIND THE SCENES

By ROBERT HADGRAFT

Cherry Newbery's baby — eight months old Claire — is surely destined to become a Luton Town superfan!

Claire was born a month after Luton achieved promotion last April — but it seemed she was determined to be born by the time the championship was clinched! Doctors had told Claire's mum that she wouldn't be born until the end of the soccer season. So Mrs Newbery — who is Town's programme distributor — came in to work as usual for the QPR game on May 11th last year.

She was busily carrying out her office duties, while a 16,657 crowd outside roared Luton to the three points they needed to clinch the Second Division championship. It was all too much for little Claire. She decided she wanted to be part of the excitement — premature birth or not!

But fortunately for her, when Cherry felt the labour pains arriving she was whisked away so the birth could take place in a more appropriate place.

Never mind Claire . . . there'll be plenty more big matches in the future for you to see!

Claire's parents, Cherry and husband James, are both Luton Town crazy. And Cherry's grandfather is Jimmy Yardley, a stalwart Town player before World War Two.

But Cherry does a lot more than just cheering Town from the terraces. She masterminds the

destination of all the matchday programmes — usually between 6,000 and 15,000 have to be distributed.

Many are sold at strategic points around the ground, and a certain amount have to be sent to postal subscribers.

Cherry does the job on a part-time basis, but it can be hectic and demanding work.

She keeps in touch with commercial managers at other clubs and there is an agreement among most of them that 200 programmes will be sent off with the team skip after the game.

When Luton visit a particular club, they will slip 200 of their programmes into the team skip in return.

To make things viable, Luton like to virtually sell all the programmes printed, so predicting how many will be needed from the printer is an important task.

Cherry's job also involves the recruitment of programme sellers. She had a team of 22 and is always looking for more.

Husband James assists on match days, and the operation usually runs smoothly.

A popular trend these days, says Cherry, is to get your matchday programme by post. A season's subscription costs £17.50 at Luton, and The Hatter is read in Swiland, Canada, Oslo, Scotland and Northern Ireland, to name but a few.

Cherry joined the club in 1974 after answering an advertisement for a cashier at Kenilworth Road.



## COLOUR SHOT



Before that, she had worked in a Luton bank for 14 years.

She considers herself a true Lutonian, although she was born in Leigh-on-Sea, Essex.

Working at Luton Town part-time enables Cherry to cope with the demands of her young family. As well as little Claire, she and Jim have a three year old son, Paul.

Apart from Luton Town, Cherry has another great sporting love . . . basketball.

She's one of the country's top table-officials and was recently officiating at the Asda Cup Final in Leicester, between Solent Stars and Birmingham Bullets.

Some of you may have spotted her on Channel Four's basketball programme. Cherry does a lot of table-officiating at national League level, now the sport seems to be taking off in a big way in this country.

She is also an official at Stopsley Basketball Club, and the Beds and Cambs Womens Basketball League. Until young Paul arrived on the scene, she also played for Stopsley.

But on Hatters' matchdays, basketball is forgotten and programmes are the order of the day. And Town's top-quality magazine these days is a far cry from the simple, black and white document of not-so-long-ago.

The Hatter is regarded as one of the better productions around — and it's Cherry's job to see that as many people as possible read a copy!

# ACTION



**BRIGHTON 2 LUTON TOWN 4**  
 The seaside air seemed to agree with us when we travelled to the south coast to meet Brighton. We left with three valuable points thanks to two own goals from the Brighton defence. (A) Billy Kellock rushes to congratulate his colleagues after Jimmy Case had scored an own goal. (B) Agony for Brighton defenders who have just watched Hill open the scoring. (C) Bang . . . Hill again as he leaps to head the first goal after only five minutes. (D) Bang . . . Ricky Hill scores the goal of the match to rub in our victory.

# LIVERPOOL

Liverpool's near-invincible form throughout this season suggests they could well become the first club in history to sweep the board. As the weeks roll by, it really does look as if the Reds can win the League Championship, the FA Cup, the Milk Cup and the European Cup!

Manager Bob Paisley, who retires at the end of the season, still refuses to accept that Liverpool have won anything. 'When you tell me that we have a 10 point lead, with only three games to play, then I'll believe we are the Champions,' he said.

Liverpool are the most successful English club of the post-war era, having won the European Champions' Cup three times and the UEFA Cup twice. The Reds have won a record number of 13 League Championships — eight of them over the past 19 years. They have won the FA Cup twice and last season's Wembley success over Spurs gave them the League Cup for the second season on the trot.

Liverpool do not have to endure transitional periods. New players are often nurtured in the Reserves and, by introducing them gradually into the first team, Mr Paisley — very much as did his predecessor Bill Shankly — ensures the evolution of one successful team after another.

Last season we saw a greater than usual influx of new faces. The young Welsh international striker Ian

Rush took over from David Johnson up front whilst Mark Lawrenson, the Republic of Ireland international, was drafted into the middle of the defence.

Rush became the First Division's joint top scorer with 30 goals in his first campaign in top flight football! He made his debut as a Chester apprentice in April 1979 and, after topping the club's scoring list with 17 goals the following season, he was transferred to Liverpool for £300,000 during the 1980 close season.

After spending 1980-81 mostly in the Reserves, Ian has now arrived as a first team regular and he has been capped by Wales on 11 occasions.

Rush scored four times against Everton and has claimed hat-tricks against Coventry and Notts County this season. He is now top scorer with 23 goals.

Though Lawrenson usually plays as a central defender for Liverpool, he can also operate in midfield and, in fact, has won several of his 19 Republic of Ireland caps as a midfielder. Preston launched his League career in 1975 and two years later they sold him to Brighton for £100,000. Liverpool paid £900,000 for him in 1981.

Bruce Grobbelaar, after an uncertain start, is performing with great expertise in the goalkeeping position filled for so long by Ray Clemence. Bruce is a Zimbabwe international who always had a burning

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ambition to play in the English First Division.

He first went to America where he joined Vancouver Whitecaps. It was while on holiday in England that he signed for Crewe as a non-contract player four years ago. Bruce made 24 Fourth Division appearances for the Gresty Road club before returning to Vancouver. Liverpool invested £150,000 in his transfer in 1981 and he made his bow on the opening day of last season.

Craig Johnston, a £650,000 signing from Middlesbrough in May 1981, was blended in to the side during the latter weeks of last season. Craig made his mark in Australian football and he was recommended to Middlesbrough after being seen playing for Sydney. He made his League bow with Middlesbrough in 1977-78 and two years later won a regular place. He was capped twice by the England Under-21s.

Mr Paisley had probably also intended to ease Ronnie Whelan quietly into the team but the Republic of Ireland international made such a big impact, scoring in his first game and generally exuding such confidence, that he could not be held back.

Whelan's two goals at Wembley, when Liverpool clawed back from behind to beat Tottenham 3-1 in last season's League Cup Final, repaid in one fell swoop the confidence Mr Paisley had shown in the lad he signed from Home Farm FC. Ronnie now has five international caps. Whelan was injured earlier this season and it was during his absence that Johnston earned a recall to the team.

Last season Johnston played many of his games in attack. This was because Kenny Dalglish dropped into a deeper position in midfield. But Dalglish is now back in attack, scoring with all his old devastation.

A fabulous goalscorer throughout his career, Kenny three times topped Celtic's scoring list and, following his £400,000 move to Liverpool in 1977, has never finished with less than 18 goals to his credit. Last season he hit 22 and he has netted 14 this term.

Last summer Kenny appeared in his third World Cup Final series for Scotland and now has 89 caps.

Liverpool's midfield has been comprising of Sammy Lee, Whelan or Johnston, David Hodgson and Graeme Souness.

Lee developed in the Anfield junior teams and came through for his League debut in 1977-78. He won a regular place two seasons ago when he was called up for England Under-21 duty, winning four caps. His wholehearted displays have finally won him full England recognition this season and he now has two caps.

Hodgson made his League bow for Middlesbrough in 1978-79 and won five England Under-21 caps. Liverpool signed him for £450,000 last summer.

Souness, another member of Jock Stein's World Cup team, now has 31 Scottish caps. His first English club was Tottenham but they didn't consider him first team material so they sold him to Middlesbrough for £30,000 in 1972. He soon made his name at

Ayresome Park and Liverpool happily paid £352,000 to sign him in 1977. Alan Hansen has been partnering Lawrenson in the centre of the defence since the injury to Phil Thompson.

Hansen is another Liverpool player who went to Spain, and he now has 20 Scottish caps. Alan developed with Partick Thistle and joined Liverpool for £100,000 in 1977. Yet another World Cup player, Thompson has played for England on 42 occasions and had been a fixture in the Liverpool side virtually since his debut day in 1972.

The full-backs are Phil Neal and Alan Kennedy. Neal was another member of England's World Cup squad. He now has 42 caps. Phil began his professional career with Northampton and spent six seasons in the Cobblers' first-team before moving to Liverpool for £60,000 in 1974.

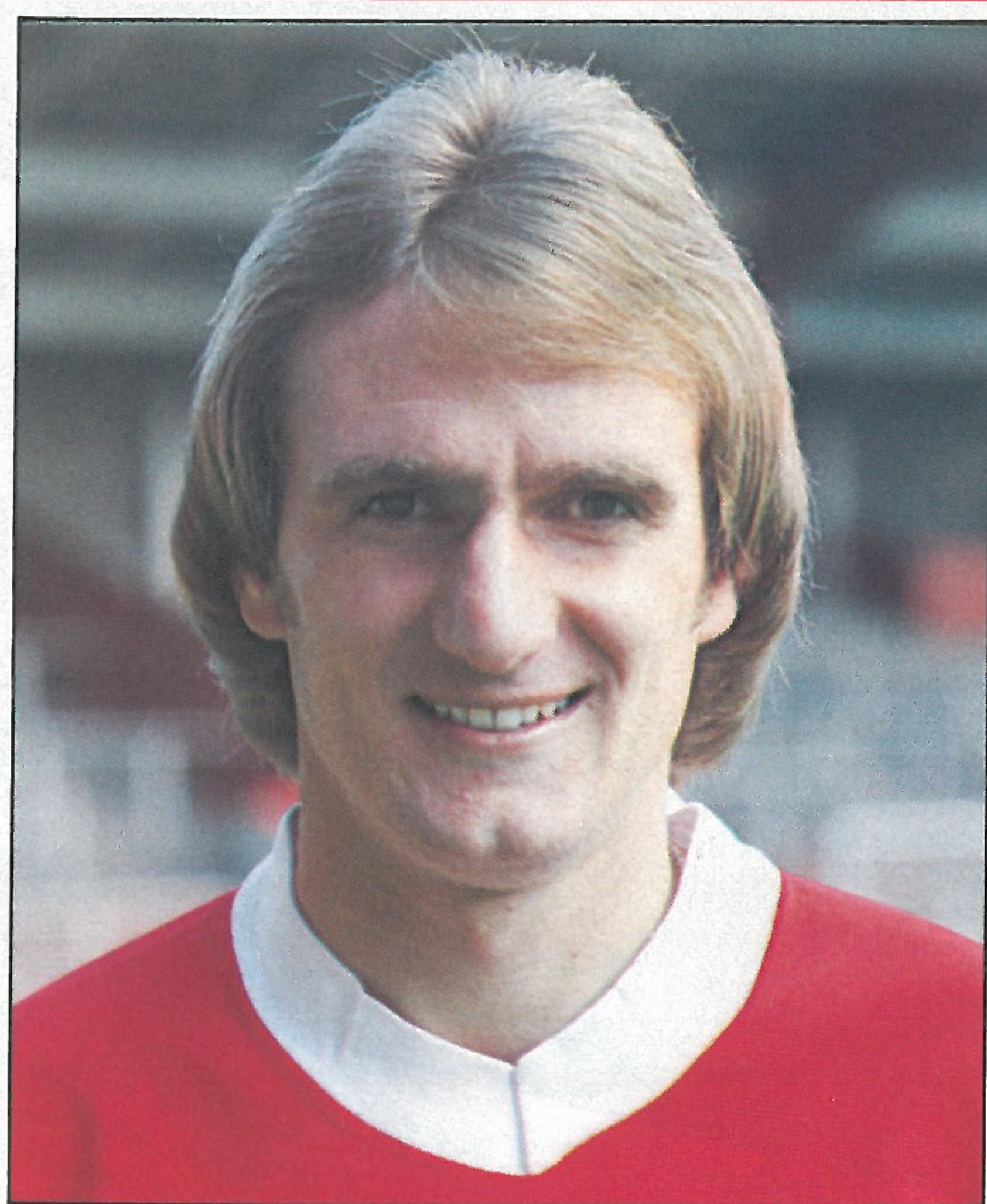
It was Kennedy's goal that won Liverpool the European Champions' Cup for the third time in 1981. He first played League football for Newcastle in 1972-73 and played against Liverpool in the following season's FA Cup Final. Whilst with the Geordies, Alan was capped six times by the England Under-23s and Liverpool signed him in 1978 for £300,000.

Liverpool have won away League games at Arsenal (2-0), Swansea (3-0), Everton (5-0), Notts County (2-1), Aston Villa (4-2) and WBA (1-0). They drew at Birmingham (0-0), Stoke (1-1) and Sunderland (0-0) and lost at Ipswich (0-1), West Ham (1-3) and Norwich (0-1).

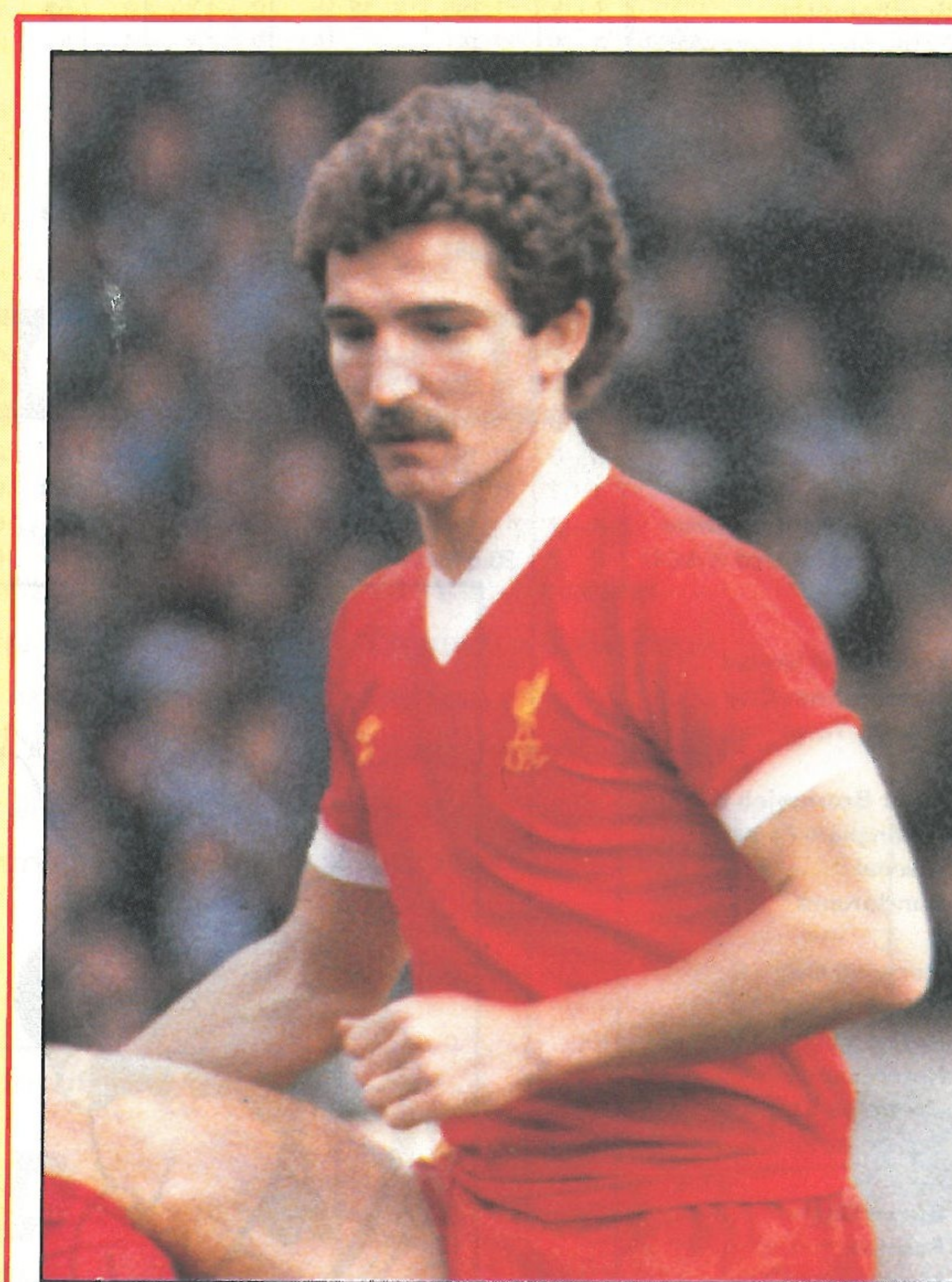
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**BOB PAISLEY (Manager)**



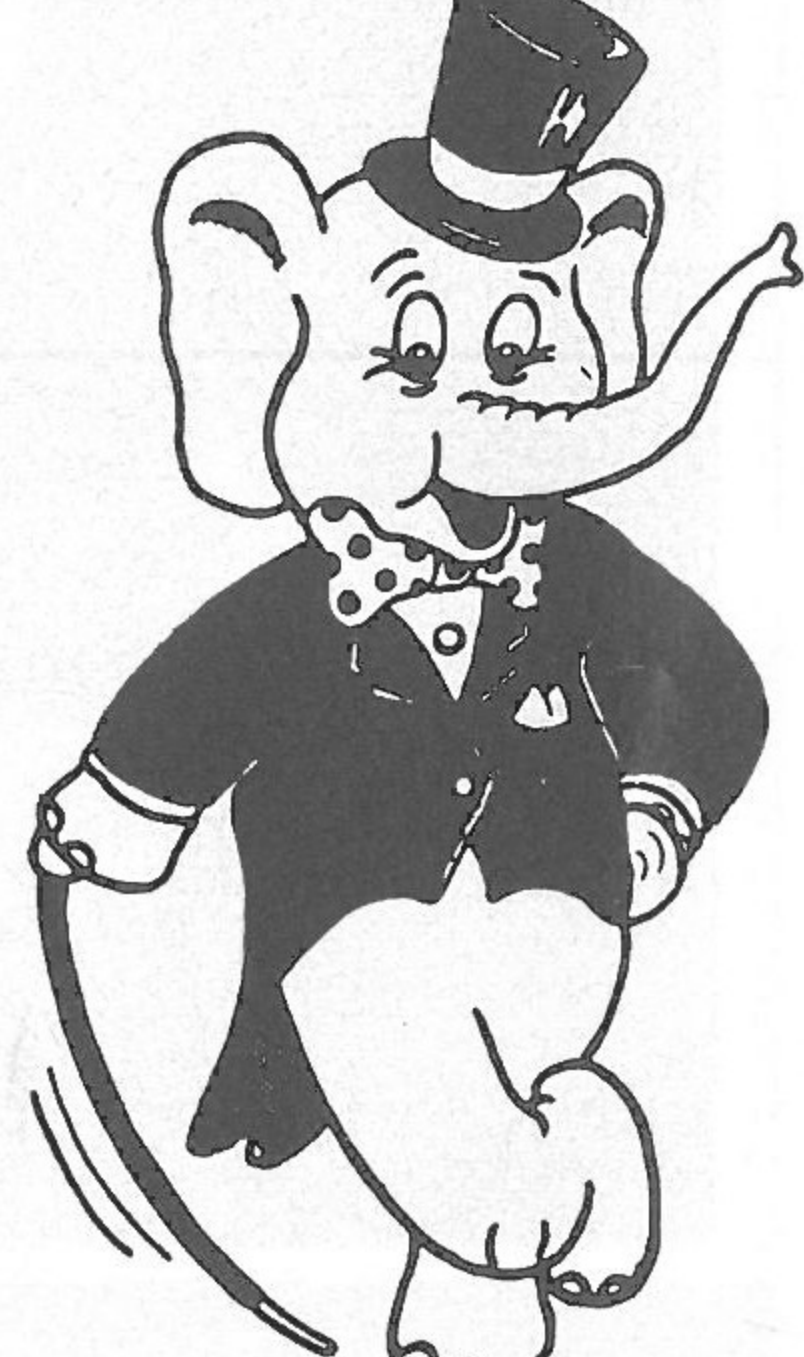
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**GRAEME SOUNESS**

# POINTS ATTENDANCES GOALS LEAGUE TABLES

Opponents	Result	Attendance	Points	Position	Findlay	Stephens	Money	Horton	Goodyear	Donaghy	Hill	Stein	Walsh	Antic	Moss	Turner	Kellock	Judge	Fuccillo	Thomas	Bunn	Geddis	Watts	Own Goal
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<b>1982</b>																								
<b>August</b>																								*
28 Tottenham Hotspur	2-2	39,180	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									
<b>September</b>																								
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	18	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	-	11●	10●	-	1						
25 Stoke City	4-4	18,475	9	12	-	2	3	4	5	6●	7	8●	9+	10	11	10	-	1						
<b>October</b>																								
2 Manchester United	1-1	17,009	10	12	1	2	3	4	5	6	7●	8	9	12	11	10+	-	-						
5 Charlton Athletic (MC2-1L)	3-0	7,030	-	-	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8●	9	-	11	-	-	-	10●					
9 Birmingham City	3-2	13,772	13	8	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8●	9●	-	11●	-	-	-	10					
16 Ipswich Town	1-1	13,378	14	11	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8●	9	-	11	-	-	-	10					
23 West Bromwich Albion	0-1	16,488	14	13	-	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	-	11	12	-	1	10+					
26 Charlton Athletic (MC2-2L)	0-2	5,973	-	-	1	-	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	-	11	10	-	-	-	2				
30 Nottingham Forest	0-2	12,648	14	16	1	-	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	12	11	2	10+	-	-					
<b>November</b>																								
6 Arsenal	2-2	16,597	15	17	1	-	3	4	5	6	7	8	9●	12	11●	2+	-	-	10					
9 Blackpool (MC3)	4-2	6,409	-	-	2	3	4	5	6+	-	8	9	-	11●	-	7●	1	10	-	12●				
13 Sunderland	1-1	14,238	16	17	-	2	3	4	-	6	7	8	9	-	11●	5	10+	1	-	-	12			
20 Coventry City	2-4	9,644	16	18	1	2	3	4●	5	-	7	8●	9	10	11	6	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
27 Southampton	3-3	11,196	17	18	1	2	3+	4	5●	6	7●	8●	9	12	11	10+	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
30 Tottenham Hotspur (MC4)	0-1	27,461	-	-	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	12	11	10	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
<b>December</b>																								
4 Swansea City	0-2	9,556	17	19	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	12	11	10+	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
11 Manchester City	3-1	11,013	20	19	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8●	9●	-	11	10	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
18 Everton	0-5	14,982	20	19	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	-	9	-	11	10+	-	-	12	-	-	-	-	8
27 Watford	1-0	21,145	23	17	1	2	3	4	5●	6	7	-	9	-	11	-	-	-	10	-	-	-	-	8
28 Norwich City	0-1	21,367	23	17	1	2	3	4	5	-	7	-	9	12	11	6	-	-	10+	-	-	-	-	8
<b>1983</b>																								
<b>January</b>																								
1 Coventry City	1-2	13,072	23	20	1	2	3	4	5	6●	7	-	9	12	11	-	-	-	10+	-	-	-	-	8
4 West Ham United	3-2	21,435	26	17	1	2	-	4	5	6	7	-	9●	-	11	10	12	-	-	3	8+	-	-	-
8 Peterborough (FAC3)	3-0	11,151	-	-	1	2	-	4●	5	6	7●	-	9●	-	10	-	-	-	-	3	8	-	-	11
15 Tottenham Hotspur	1-1	21,231	27	17	1	2	-	4	5●	6	7	-	9	-	10	12	-	-	3	8	-	-	-	11+
22 Brighton & Hove Albion	4-2	11,705	30	16	1	2	-	4	5	6	7●	-	9	-	11	10+	12	-	-	3	8	-	-	**
29 Manchester Utd (FAC4)	0-2	20,516	-	-	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	-	11	10+	12	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
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5 Liverpool																								
12 Manchester United																								
19 Birmingham City																								
26 Ipswich Town																								
<b>March</b>																								
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12 Nottingham Forest																								
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16 Notts County																								
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2 Stoke City																								
7 Everton																								
14 Manchester City																								
21 FA Cup Final																								



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Date	Home	Away	Result
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. 9	Birmingham City 3.00		0-3
Oct. 16	Ipswich Town		0-2
Oct. 23	Q.P.R. 3.00		0-2
Nov. 6	Arsenal		1-4
Nov. 15	Leicester City 2.15		1-1
Nov. 20	Swansea City 3.00		1-0
Dec. 14	Chelsea		1-5
Dec. 20	Charlton Athletic 2.15		3-2
Dec. 29	Reading 2.15		1-2
Jan. 3	Fulham 2.15		4-0
Jan. 8	Reading		1-2
Jan. 10	Tottenham Hotspur 2.15		0-2
Jan. 15	Watford		1-1
Jan. 24	Oxford United 2.15		0-1
Jan. 29	Swansea City		0-2
Feb. 5	Brighton & Hove Albion		
Feb. 7	Millwall		
Feb. 12	Southampton		
Feb. 14	Crystal Palace 2.15		
Feb. 22	Birmingham City		
Feb. 26	Ipswich Town 3.00		
Mar. 8	Q.P.R.		
Mar. 12	Bristol Rovers		
Mar. 14	Millwall 7.30		
Mar. 19	Arsenal 3.00		
Mar. 30	Leicester City		
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		
To be arranged			
Crystal Palace (a)			
Fulham (a)			
Swindon Town (a)			

### DIVISION ONE TABLE 1982-83

Team	Home					Away					Pts	
	P	W	D	L	F	P	W	D	L	F		
Liverpool	25	11	2	0	41	12	6	3	3	19	9	56



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