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FOOTBALL LEAGUE DIVISION ONE
SATURDAY 9th APRIL 1983
LUTON TOWN v ASTON VILLA



TODAY'S MATCH IS SPONSORED BY

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LUTON LEISURE

THE PAGE WHERE WE LOOK AT THE LUTON LEISURE SCENE

Are there any young anglers who wish to try their skill in casting against others and have the chance to win super prizes?

On Sunday 5th June, at Wardown Park Lake, the Luton Open Junior Casting Championship takes place. Sponsored by Dumpleton Sports of Sundon Park, these championships, the third to be held, are open to the first 100 boys and girls on a first come first served basis.

Participants will be casting into three coloured hoops at different distances, which are white, blue and green. Points are then awarded in the following way: white 15 points, blue 20 points and green 30 points.

Near misses and style marks out of a maximum of 10 will be awarded. There will be two rounds with participants having 12 casts (three at a time) in the first round. The top 20 will then have 20 more casts (four at a time).

Round one starts at 9 a.m. and round two at 2 p.m. The maximum length of rod allowed is 13 feet and no hooks may be used. The winners will receive a perpetual trophy for one year and the winner and five runners-up will receive individual mementoes.

In addition there are some fantastic prizes to be won. The winner will receive a Carbon fibre rod. The five runners-up will all receive an eight foot keep net. If entering you will be competing for a Procter Silex Mill Maker (for mum). The winner will receive this and there will be other items for the runners-up.

Every participant will be a winner as there is a special entrance gift, and if that is not enough there is also the special judges star prize. Previous winners have been Graham Cavendish and Sean Leatherland, who have both gone on to greater things.

Entrance fee to these championships is only 50p, and full rules will be sent to participants on acceptance.

Keeping to the water theme, Luton Borough Council's bath division is organising junior swimming lessons at the Bath Road Pool. The courses last for 12 weeks and are open to boys and girls from the complete beginner to the swimmer who wishes to improve further.

Classes lasting half an hour start from 25th April to 22nd July. You may choose your own day (not weekends) and time of choice (if available) from: beginners in Dolphin and Learner's pool after 4 p.m.; swimmers in Learner's pool after 6 p.m.

It should be noted that days and times must be the same each week and stated on enrolment. For the person who wants something special, there are super-survival group lessons each Monday at 4.30 p.m. Coaches are all fully qualified and the cost is £11 for all 12 weeks.

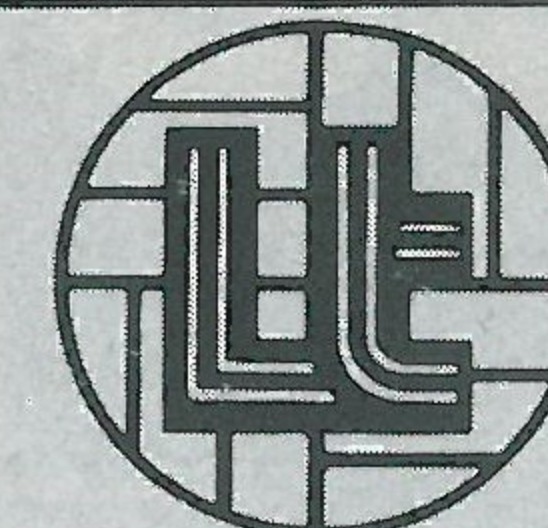
To enter, participants must enrol at Luton's Bath Road swimming pool from 9.30 a.m. to 12 noon and from 2.30 p.m. to 4.30 p.m. from Wednesday 13th April. Unfortunately no enrolments can be made on Monday mornings. For further information, phone Luton 20621.

If Bath Road swimming pool is too far away, why not phone Lewsey swimming pool (Dunstable 604244), Lea Manor Recreation Centre (Luton 599888), or Putteridge Recreation Centre, Luton 31664 and ask for details of their swimming lessons.

For application forms on the casting competition and other activities, write to Mike Iacono, Marsh House, Bramingham Road, Luton (56879) who will also be pleased to receive any ideas for new ventures and activities.

TEAM CHECK

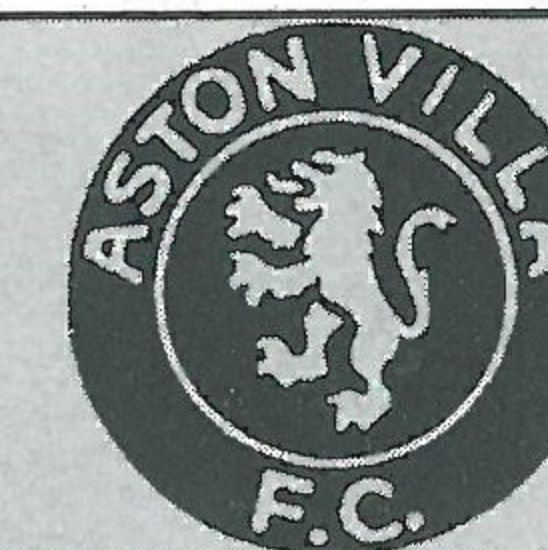
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- 1 TONY GODDEN
- 2 KIRK STEPHENS
- 3 RICHARD MONEY
- 4 RADDY ANTIC
- 5 PAUL ELLIOTT
- 6 MAL DONAGHY
- 7 RICKY HILL
- 8 TREVOR AYLOTT
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- 10 WAYNE TURNER
- 11 DAVID MOSS
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- 5 KEN McNAUGHT
- 6 DENNIS MORTIMER
- 7 DES BREMNER
- 8 GARY SHAW
- 9 PETER WITHE
- 10 GORDON COWANS
- 11 MARK WALTERS
- 12 CURBISHLEY

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MY VIEW

It is a pleasure to welcome manager Tony Barton and his Villa side here today. Their achievement last season in winning the European Cup was a magnificent boost for British football maintaining our superiority at club level.

I have known Tony for many seasons. At Forest we were two outside rights together and he has progressed into management the hard way coaching and scouting many long hours.

We can expect another difficult game today. Our home form has simply been not good enough and although I could catalogue several reasons it is not my intention to discuss them here. Only the most determined of efforts can take us to a safe position; then we can look forward to a decent year next season as our players will have benefited from this experience.

Ricky Hill unfortunately was forced to pull out of the England squad for the Greece game. I would love to see his strong running with the ball against the man for man marking system of the continentals.

Brian Stein's injury should be cleared up and that is sure to help our efforts.

The Chester Report has given everyone food for thought. On the principle that two's into one don't go, changes in both the structure and the size of staffs will have to



come about. We have already cut our playing staff to a minimum. However, it is our attitude to the game that must change slightly. If page 1 of the Chester Report suggested we scrap offside for a season or any club accumulating 100 disciplinary points will have points deducted, then I would be happier. We must avoid the 'win at all costs' attitude for the game to flourish.

I hope today's game is a good one and all our supporters will get behind the team in our effort to win.

DAVID PLEAT

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Considering all Southampton's matches

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There are also optional tours available for those supporters who want to augment their own itinerary.

There is plenty to do and see in and around Southampton and we anticipate a heavy demand for places on this weekend trip which has been arranged for the benefit of our supporters who want more than just a match to watch.

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Birthdate: 26.11.57
Height: 6ft 2in
Weight: 14st
Married: Yes
Children: None
Previous clubs: Chelsea, Barnsley, Millwall
Car: Cortina 1600 GL
Best stadium played in: Old Trafford
Favourite newspaper: Sun
Friendliest away fans: Liverpool
Job or trade before turning pro: None
Favourite other sport: Golf
Favourite other team: Barnsley
Favourite food/drink: Pie & mash/Tea
Favourite TV shows: Minder, Coronation Street, Dallas
Other sports person you most admire: Jack Nicklaus
Your best ever all time XI: Cryuff, Pele, Greaves, Law, Best, Banks, Vogts, Cooper, Beckenbaur, Moore, Charlton (R)
Most memorable match: Barnsley v Manchester City (League Cup)
If not a player, what job would you do: Publican
Favourite singer: Phil Collins & Commodores
Favourite actor/actress: Clint Eastwood/Victoria Principal
Favourite activity on day off: Golf



Trevor Aylott puts in a header against Sunderland.

Favourite holiday resort: Magaluf
Miscellaneous likes/dislikes: Not shopping with wife/shopping with wife
Biggest influence on career: Eddy Heath, Ken Shellito, Norman Hunter
Personal ambition: To be successful
Biggest disappointment: Losing to Liverpool in League Cup

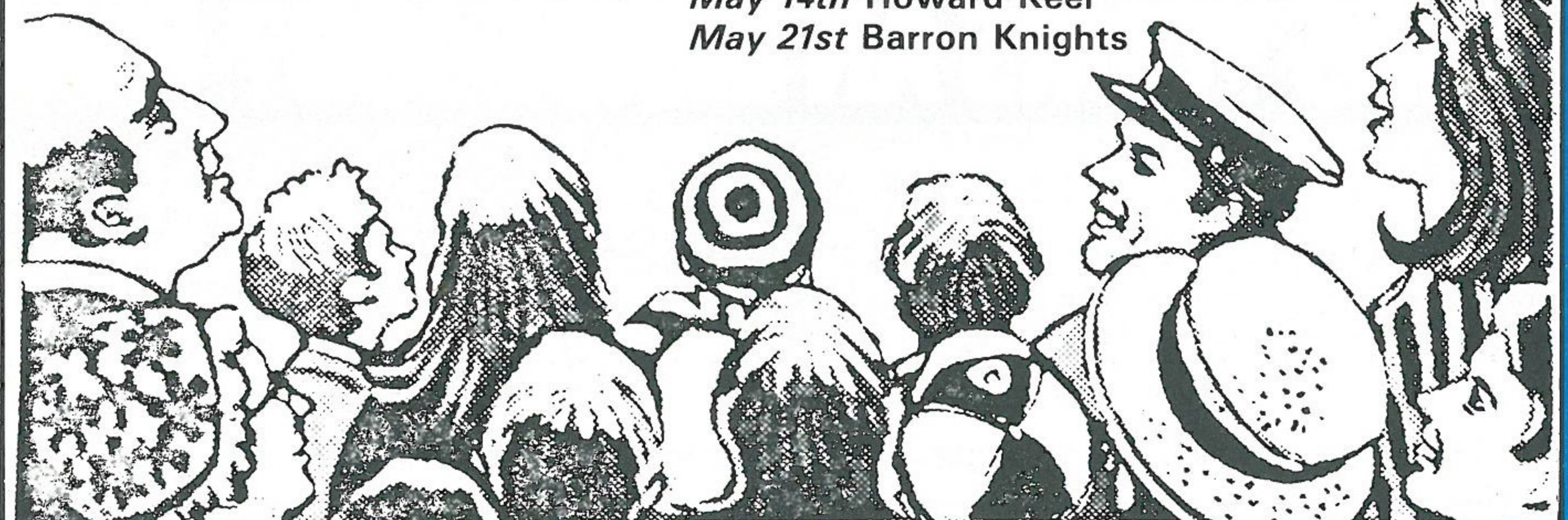
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SCENE ON ONE

GREAT RECOVERY BY SOUTHAMPTON

Something of a minor miracle has occurred at Southampton this season. Eight months ago the club was devastated by the sudden departure of skipper Kevin Keegan which, coupled with the loss of England stars Mike Channon and Alan Ball plus Yugoslav international defender Ivan Golac, seemed certain to throw the club into deep relegation waters.

The Saints were beaten 4-1 by newly promoted Watford in their opening home game and suffered crushing defeats at Tottenham (0-6) and Liverpool (0-5). At one point they sank to the bottom of the table.

'We have lost too many players too quickly,' shrugged worried manager Lawrie McMenemy at the time. 'But don't worry. The ship isn't sinking. It may be rocking a bit at the moment. That's all.'

Although the Saints' boss signed former England skipper Mick Mills, from Ipswich, as a steadying influence on his new team, he relied to a great degree on his young players. 'I have every faith in my youngsters,' he said. 'They have plenty of skill but they lack experience. Only time can give them that.'

The young Saints matured faster than could have been expected and, since November, results have shown such an improvement that — far from waging a desperate battle against relegation — Southampton are now hotly in pursuit of a place in next season's UEFA Cup.

Two of the young men in whom McMenemy placed so much faith received their first international recognition recently. Centre back Mark Wright and winger Danny Wallace were both picked for their first England Under-21 caps in the game against Greece at Portsmouth last month.

One club which particularly wanted to break back into Europe was Nottingham Forest but their hopes seemed to have disappeared when they went into a run of nine games without a win.

Brian Clough seemed to have found a settled team at last by the turn of the year. On Boxing Day Forest were second in the table, just five points behind Liverpool, and playing with such confidence they looked to be back in business again.

Then their world collapsed. They scored only three goals during that nine-match disaster spell and collected only three points. By then they were 25 points behind Liverpool!

The Forest manager began making numerous changes. Colin Todd, Willie Young and even those expensive strikers — Ian Wallace and Garry Birtles — found themselves beneath the Clough axe.

Danny Wilson, signed from Chesterfield for £100,000, replaced the unsettled Mark Proctor and young players like Chris Fairclough, Peter Davenport and Mark Smalley have all been given the chance to play themselves into the side. None of these moves seemed to work and Forest are now poised to finish in the lower half of the table for the second consecutive season.

Norwich City are making a bid to clear their £500,000 bank overdraft by launching a new share issue. A meeting of shareholders is to be held next week.

The Canaries have had to prepare for the real possibility of relegation and a substantial drop in season ticket revenue — a vital source of revenue during the close season.

Liverpool became the first English club for 97 years to pull off a hat-trick in a knockout tournament when they defeated Manchester United 2-1 in the Milk Cup final at Wembley. Having beaten West Ham and Tottenham in the previous two finals, Liverpool became the first club to lift the Milk Cup three seasons in a row.

The last club to record three successive wins in a senior knockout competition was Blackburn when they completed a hat-trick of FA Cup triumphs in 1886. Rovers defeated the Scottish club Queens Park in the first two finals and then beat West Bromwich 2-0 in a replay to conclude their hat-trick. The club was given a special plaque to commemorate their achievement and this remains in pride of place at Ewood Park to this day.

It has been suggested that Liverpool might be given a similar award and there could be a chance of their being given permanent possession of the League Cup trophy that went out of use this year with the introduction of the new Milk Cup.

There has also been speculation that Bob Paisley might change his mind about retiring at the end of the season. It could be that he will remain at Anfield in some other capacity with one of his current trainers being given the title of manager.

Such an arrangement has proved difficult at other clubs, though. Sir Matt Busby's presence at Old Trafford, albeit in the background, caused problems for a succession of Manchester United managers and the club only started to recover when he kept right away from the place.

One of his successors once told me. 'I have no objection to Sir Matt. He proved himself the most successful manager in the game and he remains highly respected.'

'But when he was around it was inevitable that the players would chat with him and, when we were losing games, go to him for advice. Sir Matt never invited this but he was there and the players would automatically go to him. Sometimes it made life very difficult for me.'

There was a time when Don Revie remained with Leeds on a consultative basis and, when he took over the England job, he moved his office to Leeds and continued to live there. We have seen how very difficult it has been for any new manager to settle.

Eddie Gray is Leeds' sixth manager since Mr Revie. Allan Clarke, now in charge at Scunthorpe, was sacked when Leeds were relegated at the end of last season.

Liverpool might persuade Paisley to keep around for a year or so whilst, at the same time, appointing a manager-elect to work under him. If the new man is brought in from outside, this would give him the chance to pick up the threads and maintain the Anfield traditions.

Even this arrangement can have problems, though. It was tried, unsuccessfully by Manchester United. But it did work at Southampton where Lawrie McMenemy spent three months working beneath Ted Bates before being given the title.

Yet Southampton can argue that they are a special case. They don't go in for sacking managers. The Saints, incredibly, have employed only two managers over the past 28 years!

By TONY PULLEIN

JUNIOR HATTERS



Here are more details of our Gala Day on Sunday 17th April at the Bedford Truck factory canteen, Boscombe Road, Dunstable. The draw for the five-a-side soccer tournaments:

Under 12s—Group One: Caddington, Wing Flyers, Warden Hill, Marston Rovers. Group Two: Junior Strikers, Foxdell Aces, Ferrers, Wing Whippets.
12s and over—Group One: Rockets, Stockwood, Kenstreet. Group Two: Luton Irish, Vine FC, Memorial 'A'. Group Three: Harpenden Hatters, T.F.S., Memorial 'B'. Group Four: Strikers, Lions, Red Hand Gang.

Matches start at 10 a.m. and programmes of the events, with starting times, are already on their way to competitors in the other events, such as subbuttee, darts, chess and table tennis.

In addition there will be a special challenge soccer match between a Junior Hatters' five girls team and a select five, top soccer on life-size video screen, a membership draw for an autographed, framed picture of the 1982-83 Luton Town squad, plus other super prizes and a chance to meet some of the Luton Town squad during the day.

All prize winners will receive their awards in the evening, when entertainment will be provided by Folklore, a local group. In all, a great day for the family. Mums and Dads are welcome, of course and you can bring a friend. Non-members can come providing they join the Junior Hatters on the day, this will cost them just £1 and will be their subscription for the rest of this season and all of the 1983-84 season too.

This brings me, finally, to annual subscriptions which will be due very soon. You can renew on Gala Day, of course, but if you can't make it then, use the Renewal Form on this page now — remember it's your support that matters — so stay with the Junior Hatters!

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Today's match mascot is Darren Butcher of Selbourne Road, Luton. Darren is nine-years-old and a pupil at Maidenhill Junior School. He plays football for his school and also represents the 2nd Chiltern Cubs team. He is a keen sportsman and enjoys reading.

Our escort team for today are four members of the Pirton Hill five-a-side soccer team who play in our Under-12 league. They are: Marc Merel of Hasketon Drive, Luton who is 11. He is a very keen footballer and represents not only his school but also plays for

THE MASCOT . . .

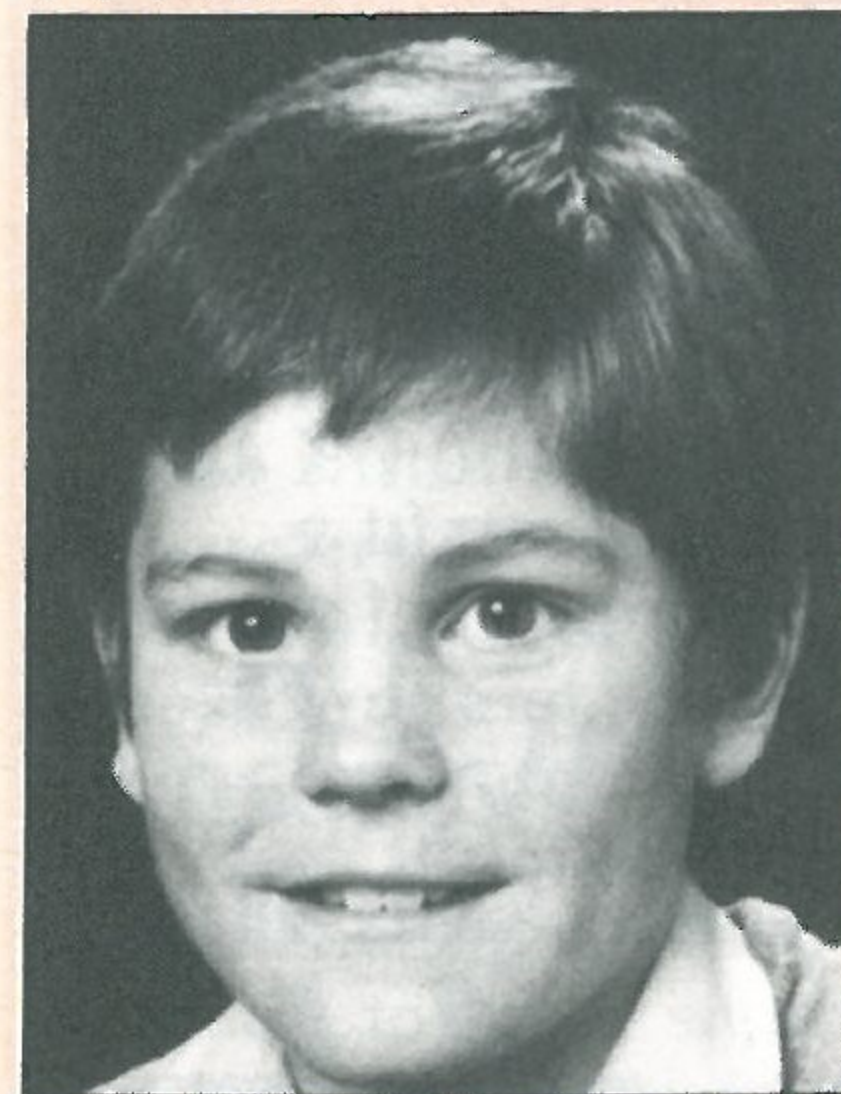


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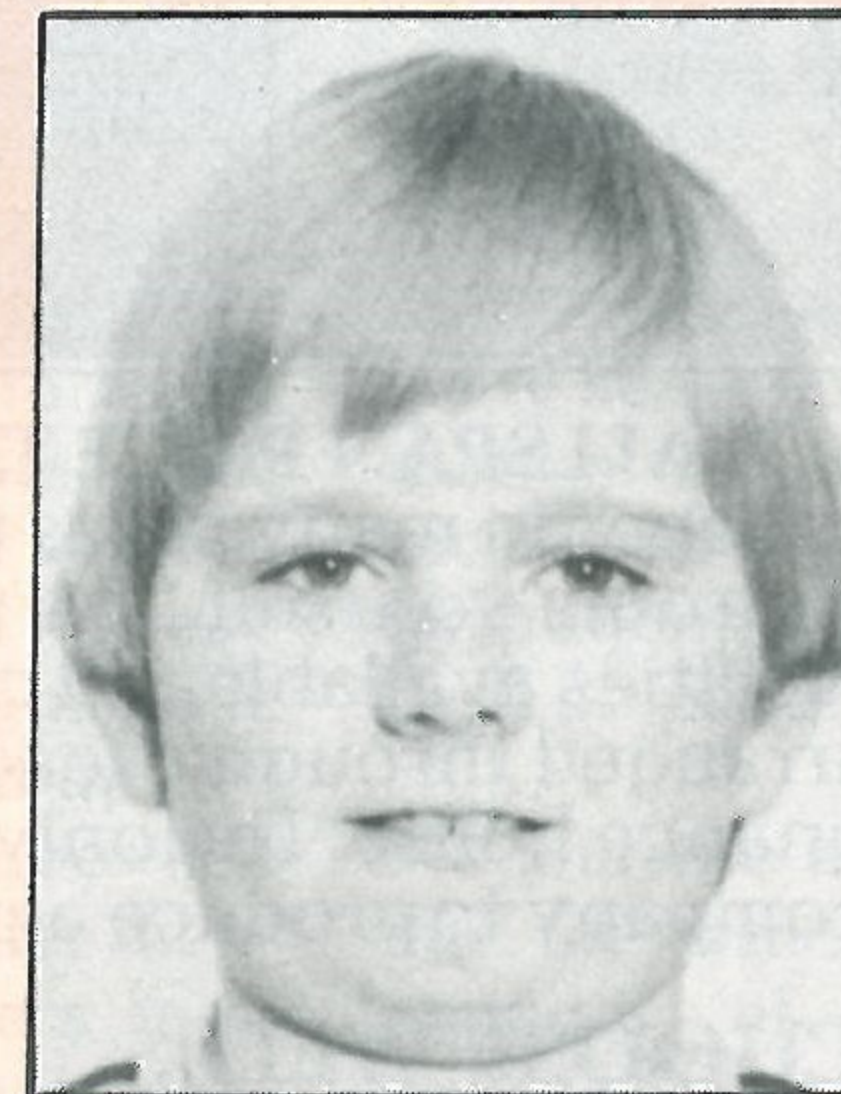
Luton Schoolboys and Sundon Park Rangers. He also enjoys chess and reading. Paul Dedman of Sudbury Road, Luton, aged 10. Like Marc, he plays for Pirton Hill Junior School, Luton Schoolboys and Sundon Park Rangers. He too enjoys reading and he is also a collector of football programmes. Paul Johnson also of Sudbury Road, Luton is 11. Paul plays for his school football team and Sundon Park Rangers. He likes most sports and also painting and drawing. David Jeffries of Butely Road, Luton is 11. David likes football, swimming and collecting football programmes. He too plays for Sundon Park Rangers and Pirton Hill Junior School 'B' team. Good luck to all our youngsters, enjoy your day and let's hope you bring us some luck as well!

COLIN BALL Youth Development Officer

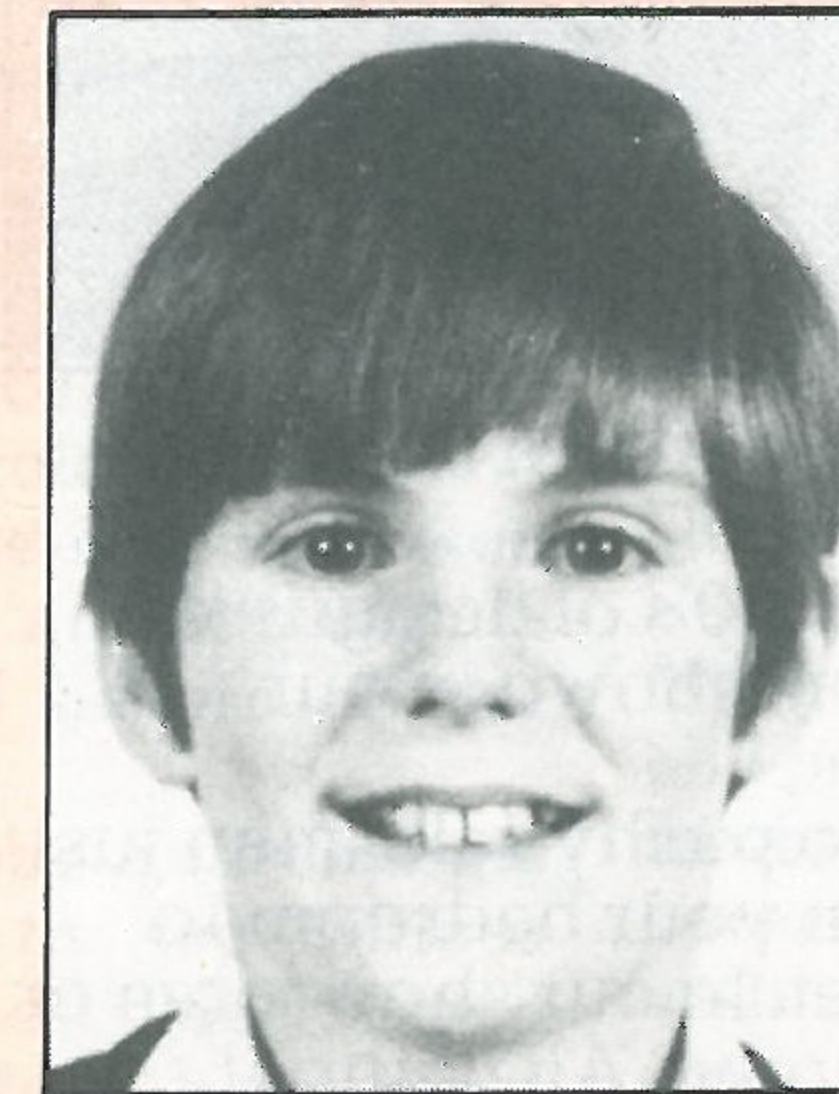
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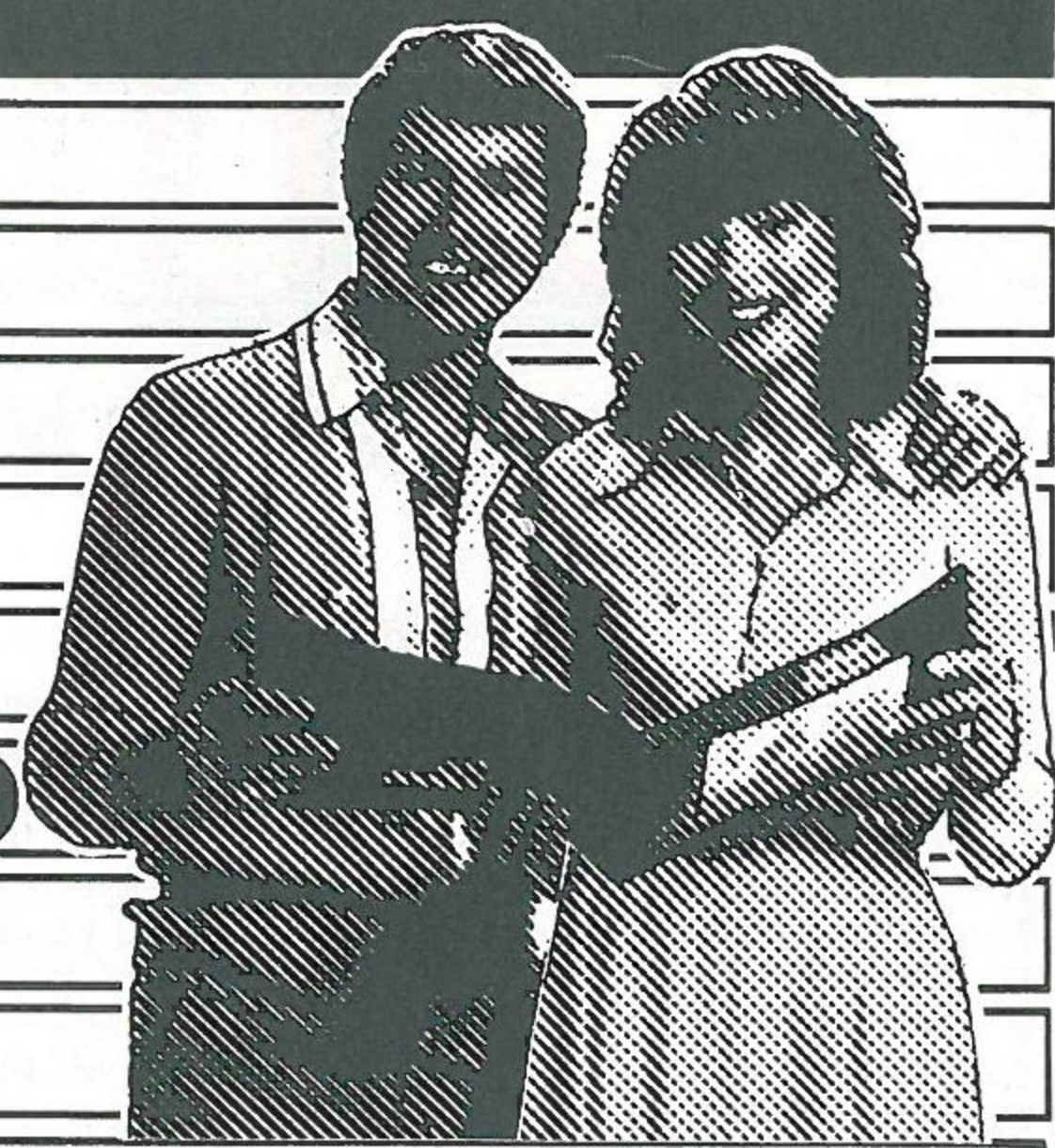
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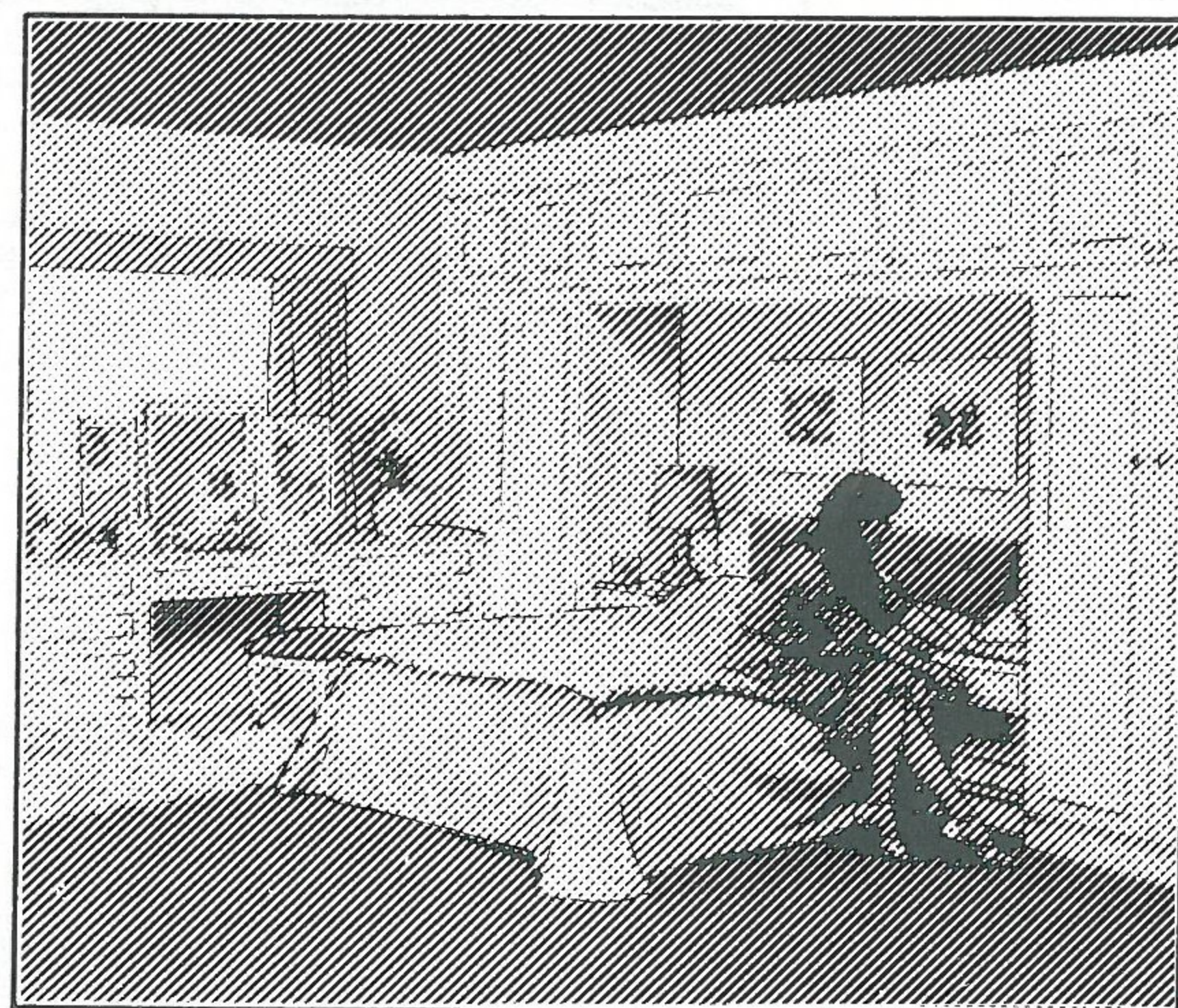
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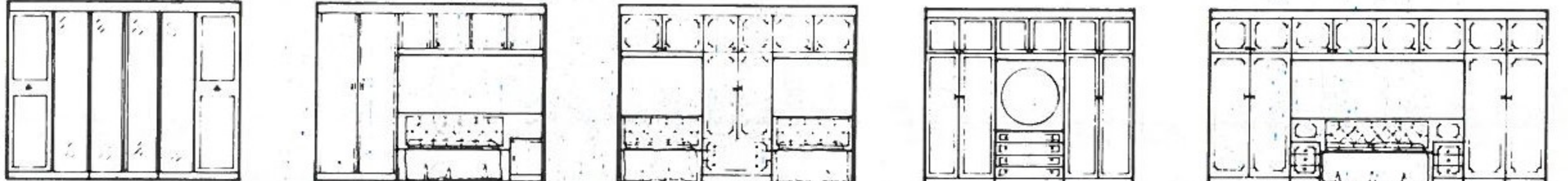
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TOWN LETTERS

THE PAGE WHERE OUR FANS WRITE TO US

Dear Sirs, Please excuse me should my correspondence prove to be an inconvenience to you. However, I write in hope that you may, perhaps, be in a position to advise or help me regarding the following enquiry concerning Luton Town Football Club.

Have you a view you want to get off your chest? We always welcome letters from our supporters and attempt to publish as many as possible. Write to: Luton Town FC, Kenilworth Road, Luton.

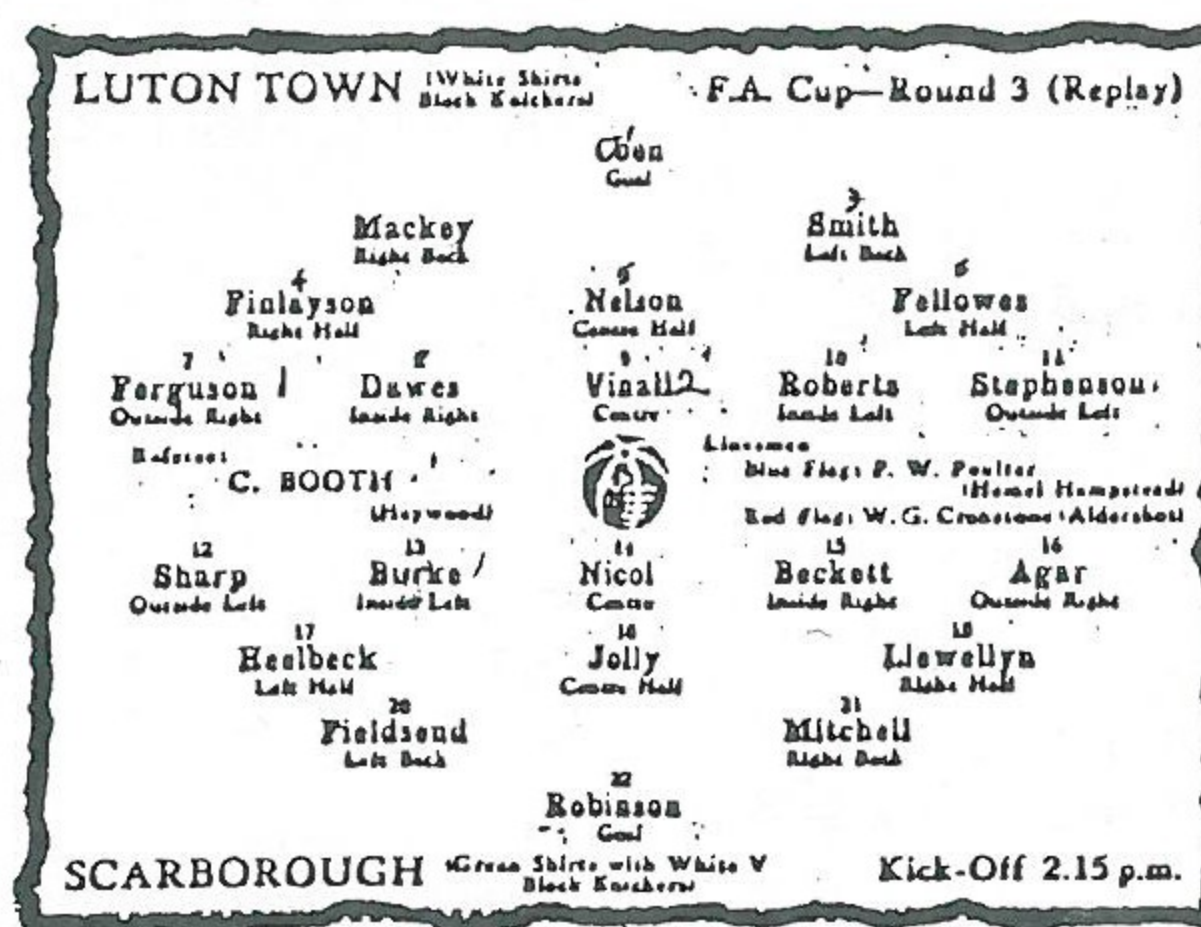
I am trying to obtain postcards and photographs involving Luton Town Football Club. What I am trying to achieve is simply a team group photograph or postcard from every season from the club in which to build up a collection of players etc.

I have managed to obtain various photographs of Luton Town FC but I am now finding it is proving very difficult to obtain these items, they seem more difficult to obtain than say, the programmes of the club, could you help?

Throughout the past few months I have been in contact in various programme and postcard dealers. Unfortunately, they have been unable to assist me with my requests and therefore I now find that sources in which to obtain these postcards and photographs have now, unfortunately, dried up.

May I possibly enquire if I could have part of my letter mentioned to your supporters in a future matchday programme? I want any postcards or photographs involving Luton Town FC team groups, from any season.

I am quite prepared to either



purchase any that are on offer, or would be pleased to exchange for programmes and souvenirs of which I have some covering many clubs throughout Europe.

What I try to do with my hobby is simply build up a team photograph or postcard from every season since the club's formation. I then collate these into my binder on the club in season formation, and am left with a sort of pictorial history on the club.

I find the hobby a fascinating one in which to see various changes of the players and styles. Anyway help here would be greatly appreciated, perhaps the club may have some recent photographs for sale in the souvenir shop, as I am in need of a couple of photographs from the

recent season, including the current season.

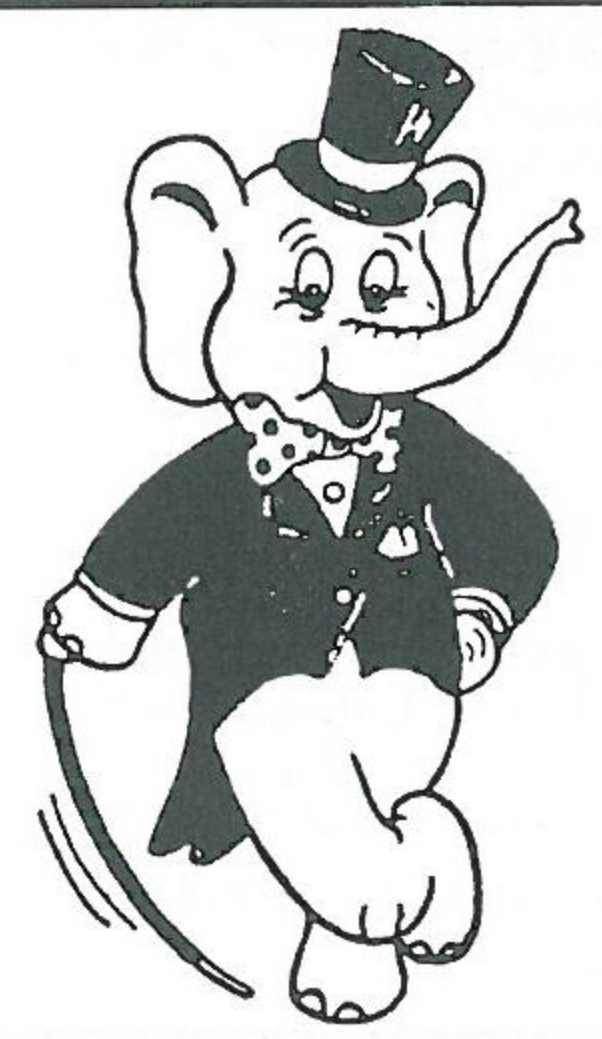
Finally, while sorting through some old items, I came across the enclosed photocopy of a 1937-38 season's programme versus Scarborough FC. Unfortunately, I no longer have the original issue but I send this photocopy of the programmes for your own information and interest.

Ramond Moule
25 Third Avenue
Bradford Moor
Bradford
West Yorkshire

EDITOR: We have replied to Mr Moule's letter but feel there must be many Luton fans who would like to write to him with the object of exchanging pictures and, perhaps, programmes. We reproduce the teams from the Luton v Scarborough programme which was an FA Cup third round replay which Luton won 5-1.

Dear Sir, My name is Rick Ruisch and I'm a 17-year-old Dutch boy. I support Feyenoord, Rotterdam and English football. My hobbies are collecting football programmes, tennis, playing football and music. If you are a Luton Town supporter and you wish to have a pen-pal in Holland (for exchanging football souvenirs for example) then write to me.

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PART 22 - By TONY PULLEIN

APPENDIX 'A' (continued) Football League Results Division Two

	1955-56	1956-57	1957-58	1958-59	1959-60					
	H A H A H A H A H A	H A H A H A H A H A	H A H A H A H A H A	H A H A H A H A H A	H A H A H A H A H A					
Arsenal	0-0	0-3	1-2	3-1	4-0	0-2	6-3	0-1	0-1	3-0
Aston Villa	2-1	0-1	0-0	3-1	3-0	0-2	2-1	1-3		
Birmingham	0-1	0-0	0-0	0-3	3-0	1-1	0-1	1-0	1-1	1-1
Blackburn						1-1	1-3	1-1	2-0	
Blackpool	3-1	2-3	0-2	0-4	2-0	2-1	1-1	0-3	0-1	0-0
Bolton	0-0	0-4	1-0	2-2	1-0	2-1	0-0	2-4	0-0	2-2
Burnley	2-3	1-3	0-2	1-1	3-2	2-1	6-2	2-2	1-1	0-3
Cardiff	3-0	0-2	3-0	0-0						
Charlton	2-1	2-2	4-2	2-1						
Chelsea	2-2	0-0	0-4	1-4	0-2	3-1	2-1	3-3	1-2	0-3
Everton	2-2	1-0	2-0	1-2	0-1	2-0	0-1	1-3	2-1	2-2
Fulham									4-1	2-4
Huddersfield	1-2	2-0								
Leeds		2-2	2-1	1-1	2-0	1-1	1-1	0-1	1-1	
Leicester				2-1	1-4	4-3	1-3	2-0	3-3	
Manchester C	3-2	2-3	3-2	2-3	1-2	2-2	5-1	1-1	1-2	2-1
Manchester U	0-2	1-3	0-2	1-3	2-2	0-3	0-0	1-2	2-3	1-4
Newcastle	4-2	0-4	4-1	2-2	0-3	2-3	4-2	0-1	3-4	2-3
Nottingham F				3-1	0-1	5-1	1-3	1-0	0-2	
Portsmouth	1-0	0-0	1-0	2-2	2-1	0-5	3-1	2-2		
Preston	2-1	1-2	1-1	0-2	1-3	0-1	4-1	0-0	1-3	0-2
Sheffield U	2-1	4-0								
Sheffield W		2-0	0-3	2-0	1-2				0-1	0-2
Sunderland	8-2	2-1	6-2	0-1	7-1	0-3				
Tottenham	2-1	1-2	1-3	0-5	0-0	1-3	1-2	0-3	1-0	1-1
WBA	0-2	1-3	0-1	0-4	5-1	2-4	1-1	0-2	0-0	0-4
West Ham							4-1	0-0	3-1	1-3
Wolves	5-1	2-1	1-0	4-5	3-1	1-1	0-1	0-5	1-5	2-3

1955-56

Appearances: Adam, J. 30; Aherne, T. 29; Baynham, R.L. 41; Cullen, M.J. 29; Cummins, G.P. 25; Davies, R.A. 16; Dunne, S. 40; Gregory, A.C. 7; Groves, J. 12; Jones, L.C. 15; Kelly, T.W.J. 14; MacEwan, M.P. 17; McGuffie, A.S. 3; McLeod, G.J. 1; Morton, R.H. 39; Owen, S.W. 27; Pearce, R.S. 19; Pemberton, J.T. 20; Pounder, J.A. 1; Shanks, W.G. 40; Stretten, B.R. 1; Taylor, A. 3; Turner, G.R. 33.
Scorers: Turner 19; Morton 10; MacEwan 8; Adam 5; Cullen 5; Davies 5; Pearce 4; Cummins 2; Gregory 2; Groves 1; Opponents 5.

1956-57

Appearances: Aherne, T. 18; Adam, J. 18; Baynham, R. 23; Brown, A. 16; Cullen, M. 23; Cummins, G. 17; Davies, R. 16; Dunne, S. 29; Gregory, A. 13; Groves, J. 18; Jones, L. 20; Kelly, T. 8; Legate, R. 3; McLeod, G. 15; McNally, B. 16; Morton, R. 40; Owen, S. 34; Pemberton, J. 17; Pearce, R. 26; Pounder, A. 2; Smith, R. 8; Stretten, B. 19; Shanks, W. 28; Turner, G. 34; Thompson, A. 1.
Scorers: Turner 30; Brown 5; Cullen 5; Morton 5; Groves 4; Gregory 3; McLeod 1; Shanks 1; Legate 1; Pearce 1; Adam 1; Pemberton 1.

1957-58

Appearances: Adam, J. 32; Baynham, R. 41; Brown, A. 33; Cullen, M. 17; Cummins, G. 15; Dunne, S. 41; Gregory, A. 6; Groves, J. 31; Hawkes, K. 22; Jones, L. 19; Kelly, T. 8; McGuffie, A. 9; McLeod, G. 34; McNally, B. 2; Marsh, E. 1; Morton, R. 27; Owen, S. 36; Pacey, D. 12; Pearce, R. 29; Rowland, D. 1; Turner, G. 40; Whitby, B. 6.
Scorers: Turner 33; Brown 12; Gregory 4; Groves 4; McLeod 4; Adam 3; Cullen 2; Morton 2; Whitby 1; Pacey 1; Pearce 1; Cummins 1; Opponent 1.

1958-59

Appearances: Adam, J. 29; Baynham, R. 38; Bingham, W. 36; Brown, A. 39; Collier, A. 3; Cummins, G. 31; Daniel, A. 1; Dixon, M. 1; Dunne, S. 29; Gregory, A. 15; Groves, J. 30; Hawkes, B. 3; Hawkes, K. 40; Kelly, T. 12; Kilgannon, J. 1; McGuffie, A. 3; McLeod, G. 1; McNally, B. 15; Marsh, E. 1; Morton, R. 35; Owen, S. 31; Pacey, D. 36; Turner, G. 31; Whitby, B. 1.
Scorers: Brown 20; Turner 14; Bingham 8; Cummins 6; Morton 4; Adam 4; Pacey 4; Gregory 3; Groves 2; McGuffie 1; Hawkes, K. 1; McLeod 1.

1959-60

Appearances: Baynham, R. 37; Bingham, W. 40; Brown, A. 39; Collier, A. 5; Collins, M. 1; Cummins, G. 30; Daniel, A. 16; Dixon, M. 1; Dunne, S. 41; Gregory, A. 18; Groves, J. 33; Hawkes, K. 22; Hawkes, B. 5; Kilgannon, J. 12; Kelly, T. 31; McCann, A. 1; McCreadie, H. 1; McBride, J. 13; McNally, B. 6; Morton, R. 32; Noake, D. 7; Pacey, D. 32; Tracey, M. 7; Turner, G. 31; Warner, J. 1.
Scorers: Bingham 16; Brown 7; McBride 6; Turner 6; Gregory 5; Cummins 4; Dixon 1; Kilgannon 1; Pacey 1; Morton 1; Groves 1; Opponents 1.

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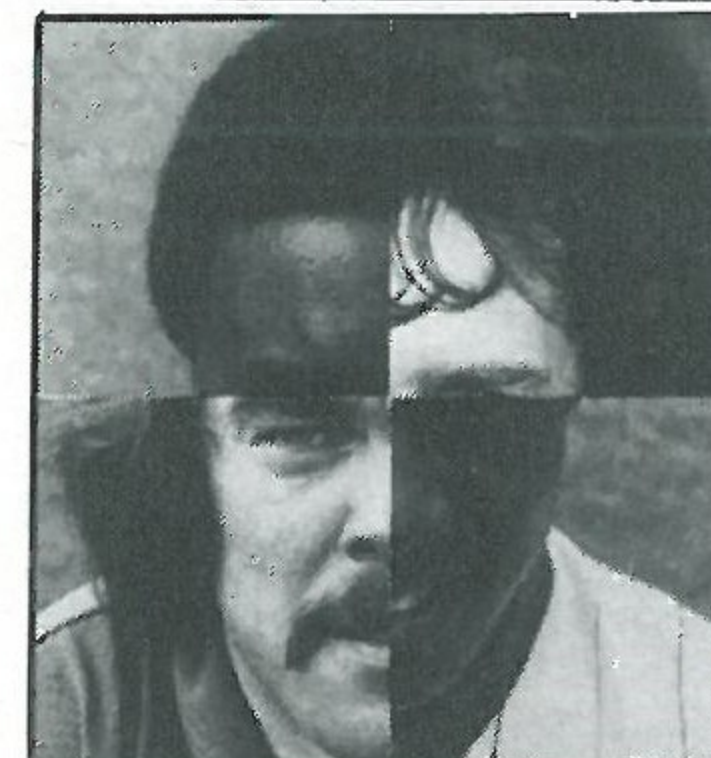
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COMPETITIONS

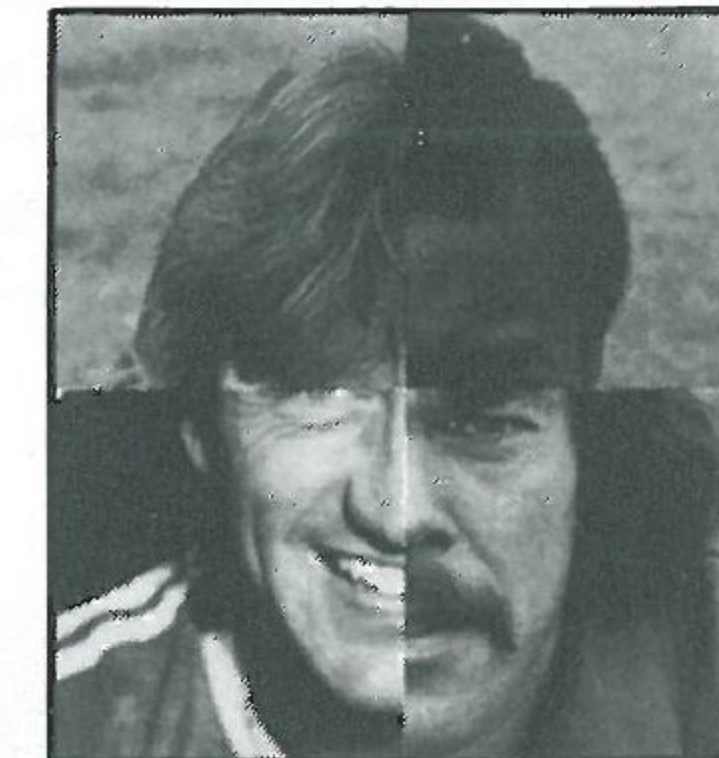
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EDDIE GRAY

NAME THE STAR

The Name The Star competition has been won and our lucky winner who guessed the player as Eddie Gray of Leeds United was Miss Sharon Bates of Dunstable, who will receive a super Luton video.

A new 'Name the Star' competition starts today. This is a continuing competition when we will add a small proportion of the body of a famous player inviting you to guess the player's identity. As the details increase the prize will diminish. Send your entries to: 'Name the Star' competition, Luton Town Football Club, Matchday Magazine, 70-72 Kenilworth Road, Luton.



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This afternoon, the Luton Lions are holding a collection in aid of the Friends of the Luton and Dunstable Hospital. This organisation does much to make life easier for local patients and we hope to have your support by asking you to dig deeply into your pockets.

AWAYDAY TRAVEL

Supporters who have taken advantage of the new Hatters Travel service — today's details are on page seven — will testify that the luxury coaches we use make transport to and from away games much easier.

However, we do appreciate some of our fans like to make their own way to away games and this route, compiled by the RAC, will assist you to Notts County a week today.

Take the M1 north to intersection 24 and follow signs 'Nottingham A453'. Pass Radcliffe power station and continue through Clifton.

Follow signs 'Grantham A52' and pass under Clifton Bridge.

Turn right along the A52 Nottingham ring road and continue to the junction with A52 and A6011.

Follow signs 'Nottingham A6011' along Radcliffe Road and cross the River Trent via Lady Bay Bridge. Turn left along Meadow Lane to Notts County Football Ground.

HERE ON TUESDAY

We continue our series of home First Division games at Kenilworth Road with a visit from Birmingham on Tuesday evening (7.45) when the match postponed on 19th February will be staged. Tickets are available from the commercial offices.

JUNIOR HATTERS BOOST

Our Junior Hatters Club — you can read today's news on page 11 — received a welcome boost at our recent home game against Sunderland.

Tom Hunt, a staunch Luton supporter who operates the Excelsior Travel Club, presented them with £100 as part of a sponsored goal scheme. Reg Kitchener, of Clarendon Hats, is donating £5 to the club for every goal the first team scores.

Tom (left) and Reg (right) are pictured with youth development officer Colin Ball before the game on the

pitch with the mascot and escorts for the day.

CENTURY CLUB

Aston Villa provide the opposition today and they bring back fading memories of boyhood for one of our members because Villa Park was the venue for his first big match.

He recalls standing on the terraces with an uncle, but couldn't see very well so he was lifted over the heads and put at the front. The only fear he had, in a crowd of over 60,000, was that of not being re-united after the final whistle. What golden days they were. And are they just happy memories?

Today, we make the draw for our grand raffle, and we all eagerly await the name of the lucky person who will draw the ticket for a weekend in Holland. We thank all members who have sold tickets, and who have con-

tributed prizes for this big effort, and we hope we shall have a record amount of cash to hand on to the football club.

Our next big function takes place on Monday 9th May — just a month away — the annual ball, to be held in the Chiltern Hotel. Please return your ticket applications promptly, to avoid disappointment. Ballot papers will be available at the next home game, so you may vote for the Century Club 'Player of the Year', enabling the trophy to be presented, as usual, at the annual ball.

BON VOYAGE

One major benefit of working for Luton Town Football Club is that our commercial activities for the club brings us into contact with so many businessmen who, for the love of Luton Town and for the benefits their company can receive using the club as a platform, support us through thick and thin.

These relationships, fortunately, are normally long standing and Mick Pattinson, sales director of Barratt Developments is no exception.

Mick was not only known to the club through his business connections but played for the Town's youth team with such stars as Bruce Rioch and Alan Slough.

Mick is moving to California and will be missed at Kenilworth Road. We would like this opportunity of wishing him, his wife Davine and young son David, every success in their new life in America.

TRY YOUR LUCK

Our competitions — today's details can be found on page 15 — have proved extremely popular with our supporters this season.

Our picture shows the husband of a recent winner, Mrs P. A. Haines from Stevenage, receiving one of our super videos, which we award as prizes, from one of our secretaries Allison Render.

Turn to page 15 and try your luck — you could be the next winner.

COVER SHOT

Our cover shot this afternoon shows skipper Brian Horton demonstrating how the perfect penalty should be taken. He took the responsibility for converting spot-kicks in the recent home match against Sunderland and gave keeper Chris Turner no chance with his effort.

HONOUR FOR TIM

Our young full-back Tim Breaker has been honoured by being named in the South East Counties League team to play the English Schools' FA at Fulham's Craven Cottage ground a week today.

We offer our congratulations to Tim, an apprentice professional, who is enjoying a good season at Youth and Reserve level.

TODAY'S REFEREE

Leslie Burden, from Corfe Mullen, Dorset, qualified as a referee in Dorset (1953), then via Southern League to Football League in 1970. Has acted as linesman in England v Denmark — Under-23 in 1973, and a UEFA Cup match and Under-23 international in 1975.

A married man, with three children, he is an Interior Furnishing and Leisure Designer/Consultant.

He is secretary to Association of Football League Referees and Linesmen (West of England Section) serving on the training committee, and is vice-chairman of the West of England Referees and Linesmen's Association. His interests include refereeing techniques and gardening.



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LOTTERY TOPICS

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As well as our own lottery tickets, which are direct earning to the football club through our three societies, we also have a healthy financial interest in four contracts. They are North Herts District Council, Milton Keynes Corporation, East Herts District Council and last, but not least, M.C.C.C. which covers London, and is operated from Lords. Our overall turnover is in excess of five million tickets a year, which generates a cash turnover of £1,000,000, half of which results in prize money which is shared by over one million customers, with prizes ranging from 25p to £1,000 cash, and about 50 really lucky customers who win a brand new car, or £3,000.

Luton Town FC nett between £180,000 to almost £250,000. This figure is determined solely by the state of the country at any given time, and we naturally thrive on the good times.

These figures are achieved even though the Lyric Theatre, Hammersmith, run their successful lottery from the Arndale Centre in the centre of Luton.

Mike Hardwicke, our Promotions Manager, came to us from Littlewoods Pools in 1970 starting from scratch.

Over the past 12 years with the help and expertise of his staff, lotteries and other allied fund-raising have grossed over £3,000,000, which has been considered by many the saviour of our football club.

Last year, lotteries were housed in the new commercial offices, with matchday and season tickets, souvenir shop, Hatters Travel Club and Junior Hatters. To operate this enterprise successfully it is important to select the right people. Apart from Mike Hardwicke, whose responsibilities are total, assistant promotions manager, John Gornall, deputises on all projects, and it is apparent that he is fully trained to take over total responsibilities in the future.

MIKE HARDWICKE
Promotions Manager

JOHN'S JOURNAL

We are trying to compile an honours board to hang in our various club rooms and, during the past few weeks, I have been checking through the records to find which players earned a full international cap while playing for Luton Town.

The players I have come across so far are: R. Baynham, R. Hawkes, E. Simms, B. Streten, J. Elvie, S. Owen, J. Payne, R. Hill, I. Hughes, P. Price, W. Bingham, L. Bookman, R. Brennan, M. Donaghy, Bud A'herne, A. Matheson, G. Cummins, S. Dunne, B. McNally, A. Grealish, D. Givens, M. Cullen.

If anyone can let me know of any more names then I would be grateful. I have a feeling I have forgotten a few.

The history of our visitors today and the honours they collected since their formation reads very much like a page from Who's Who, and I don't in-

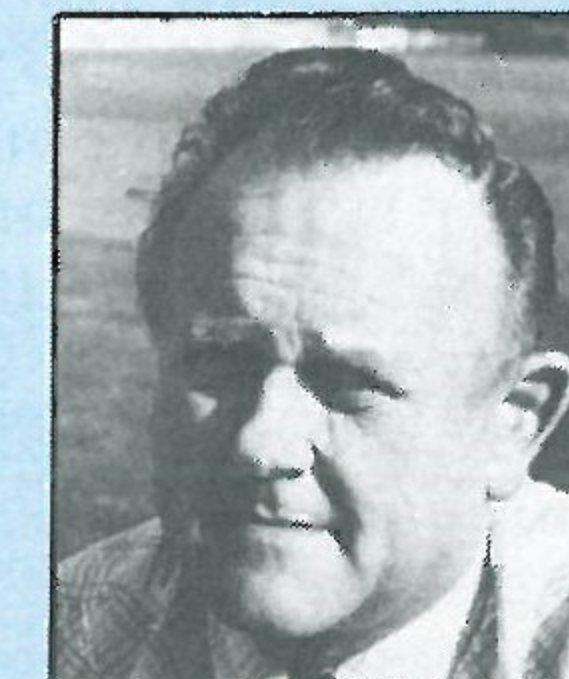
tend to go into it at this stage. but players who have played for both our clubs makes interesting reading.

To start with, the late George Martin managed both clubs — and, a little earlier in the 1930's, George Stephenson played on the left wing. Some people still say he was probably the best left winger to wear a Town shirt. I am not going to start an argument about that!

Neil and Bruce Rioch were transferred to the Villa for a fee of £200,000 in July 1969, left back Les Jones, a local lad thought to have a fine career in front of him, was watched many times by the Welsh selectors during his spell at both clubs but I believe he stayed only about 18 months at Villa Park before retiring from the game.

Jimmy Adam, who could play on either wing, joined Villa in 1959 after six years with the Town and Chris Nicholl, at centre half, made over 100 senior appearances with the Town before leaving in 1972. Our current keeper, Jake Findlay, made 14 League appearances for Villa before joining us in November 1978.

JOHN WILKINSON
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In 1965 the companies amalgamated to form Lockhart Bennett Ltd and the policy at the time was to become fully comprehensive. Introduction of the glass, decorating, ironmongery and timber departments was achieved by the acquisition of Charles Bird and Sons of Luton, and Tylers Timber Ltd of Leighton Buzzard.

The Kingsway depot was built in 1972 with the idea of serving the trade and retail customers, with the complete range of building materials for the home and garden, including

most of the requirements for the home improvement market.

We aim to give personal service. Our trained staff are available to give advice if required, and this is backed with comprehensive stocks. The Kingsway depot is one of the prime branches within the Graham Group, which has over 100 branches throughout the country.

The advertising theme for the future is 'Graham Offers Great Kitchens, Great Bathrooms and a Great Deal More'. To meet the ever increasing costs of materials for the home, the company has introduced a budget scheme for retail customers, thereby spreading payments over a number of months. Any branch will be happy to give you details and arrange to open your own account subject to satisfactory references.

To assist you further to improve your home, the group will make special offers from time to time on kitchens and bathrooms, to name but a few. These will be announced in the national and local Press. Competitive prices and quality will be the aim so the customers can come to rely on the 'Graham' name.

With branches in Luton, Dunstable, Leighton Buzzard and Wellingborough which serve the local community, it is company policy to expand so there will be a centre within reach of everyone.

We have worked hard to make sure that we are now in the First Division of builders merchants — why not call and see for yourself that the name Graham gives customer satisfaction.

COMMERCIAL SCENE



THE WEEKLY LOOK AT THE HATTERS COMMERCIAL SCENE



Our match sponsorship success continues today with Graham Ford Ltd taking advantage of the advertising and entertainment opportunities which sponsorship offers.

People inside and outside football often comment and ask how, in these difficult economic times, we continue to attract so many sponsors?

There is, of course, no magic formula. It is like any other business success — if the product is good, people will buy it.

To ensure the product is right means careful thought, planning and management to cater for sponsors varied requirements. Our aim is to present, every week, a unique package which will be one the sponsor and his guests will wish to remember for a long time.

Certainly the Sunderland sponsorship by Filmergraphic Associates and Bainson Advertising was one which Filmergraphic

managing director Derek Filmer and his blushing bride of two weeks Renée, will not forget in a hurry.

With the aid of Bainson's managing director Keith Harris, his wife Jenny and their business guests, we commenced the day with a mini wedding celebration which saw John Smith toasting the happy couple with champagne and the tour of the facilities enabled us to arrange a special welcome on the pitch with a guard of honour made up by the guests and a suitable message on our Wallspan scoreboard.

Derek and Renée receive their salute from their guests as they walk onto the pitch.

Keith Harris pictured with a Monarch Airways' sales and marketing director Peter Dorrington recently leaving Luton Airport on a business flight.



THE LATE JIMMY BLOOMFIELD

It was with deep regret that we heard of the recent death of Jimmy Bloomfield the former Arsenal, Birmingham, Brentford, Orient, Plymouth, West Ham and England Under-23 inside-forward. Jimmy, whose career started in the Football League in 1952 when he was signed for Brentford by Ron Greenwood moved to Arsenal two years later followed by spells at Birmingham, Brentford, Plymouth and West Ham before managing Orient, Leicester then Orient again. Jimmy was a good friend to this club and a personal friend of both John Smith and David Coates.

MEMORY STRETCHER

Our older supporters have asked to continue the occasional series where we look at earlier games between Luton and their visitors.

Today, we feature a game which was played at Kenilworth Road on 5th September 1956 when 21,171 fans watched a 0-0 draw.

The names in both teams will revive nostalgic memories for Luton and Villa supporters this afternoon. This game was played in the days before floodlights and was the last midweek match before the Christmas holidays.

The kick-off was scheduled for 6.10 p.m. How times have changed for conditions as we know them today.

LUTON TOWN		Stretton		Football League — Div. 1	
11	McParland	10	Dickson	3	Aherne
10	Dickson	9	Pace	2	Dunne
9	Pace	8	Turner	1	Owen
8	Turner	7	Cullen	6	Shanks
7	Cullen	5	Pemberton	4	Cummins
6	Pemberton	3	Aldis	3	Adam
5	Aldis	2	Saward	2	Hogg
4	Saward	1	Stretton	1	Baxter
3	Stretton	Goal		Goal	
2	Goal			Goal	
1	Goal			Goal	

Referee: Mr. C. W. Kingston (Newport, Mon.)

Linesmen: Red Flag: Mr. C. W. Jillings (Romford); Orange Flag: Mr. D. Lewis (London)

Kick-off 6.10 p.m.

ASTON VILLA
Shirts: Claret and Blue
Knicker: White
Stockings: Claret and Blue
Spectators are asked NOT TO CROSS THE PLAYING FIELD after the match



BEHIND THE SCENES

By ROBERT HADGRAFT

Hours of hard work have to be put in every week to provide the information and entertainment which is displayed on Luton's electronic scoreboard on matchdays.

Commercial artist John Pyper and builder Steve Gudgeon come to Kenilworth Road on a Thursday night and spend long hours programming material into the scoreboard's computer memory bank.

They will spend up to four hours toiling away in the broadcasting box at the back of the main stand — and often they are the only people in the dark and eerie stadium.

In addition to this session, John and Steve spend several hours at work even before a game starts, and on average are busy for a total of seven hours before each match.

Their schedule involves being given a timesheet by Town's Projects and Advertising Executive Mike Beevor. This details when the advertisements and sponsors announcements have to be displayed, and from this John and Steve work out exactly when all the items will go up on the scoreboard.

Obviously certain items will go up depending on what happens during the game, but most of what you see will have been programmed in much earlier.

One of the cleverest aspects is the set of portraits of Town players which are displayed when the team is announced.

These were designed by John, who originally drew them on graph paper before transferring them to the computer screen.

John has produced a whole range

of graphics for the scoreboard and his expertise comes from being a studio manager with a Luton advertising agency.

He is 25, a keen Town fan, and has been involved with the scoreboard since it was provided by Wallspan Bedrooms in the 1979-80 season.

Several clubs have electronic scoreboards and John has been interested to see several have 'pinched' his idea of having little men jumping up and down on the scoreboard when a goal is scored.

John's biggest headache often comes about 2.30 p.m. on a matchday when the teams are announced. To save time John and Steve will have already programmed in what they expect the line-up to be.

If, however, there are many team changes the two of them have a race against time to programme in the new names.

Many supporters may remember that West Brom made an amazing 10 changes to their advertised team before the game on March 5th. It was a scoreboard operator's nightmare!

Usually, though, things go smoothly and the crowd is treated to an interesting and eye-catching selection of items to look at.

John can recall one occasion when a visiting team's line-up was put on the board and to his horror he saw his own name had been mysteriously added, informing everyone that he was playing for Town's opponents!

John would never consider playing against the Town for he is one of the club's most devoted supporters! He was born in the town and attended



Denbigh High School and lists last year's promotion clincher with Shrewsbury as his most memorable game. He was recently appointed chairman of the Bobbers Travel Club.

His attendance record at Town games is quite phenomenal. He has not missed a home match for ten years and has missed only two away games in the last five seasons — and that was due to illness.

Steve Gudgeon is just as fanatical as John, and he also names the Shrewsbury game as the most memorable occasion since he began following Luton.

Steve runs the Leighton Homes building firm and lives at Heath and Ridge, near Leighton Buzzard.

Steve was born in Luton and soon afterwards his family moved to Harpenden. He played in local soccer but has had to give up because of a knee injury.

Until he began helping with the scoreboard, Steve was an Oak Road regular and confesses his confinement to the broadcasting box now means he has to control himself more when Town score a goal!

He has been operating the computer keyboard since last October and has settled in well, although he too found the late WBA team changes something of a living nightmare.

The efforts of John and Steve don't go unnoticed at Luton Town, and the management are also appreciative of the work put in by Steve's predecessors on the keyboards, Janet Godfrey and Liz Bennett.

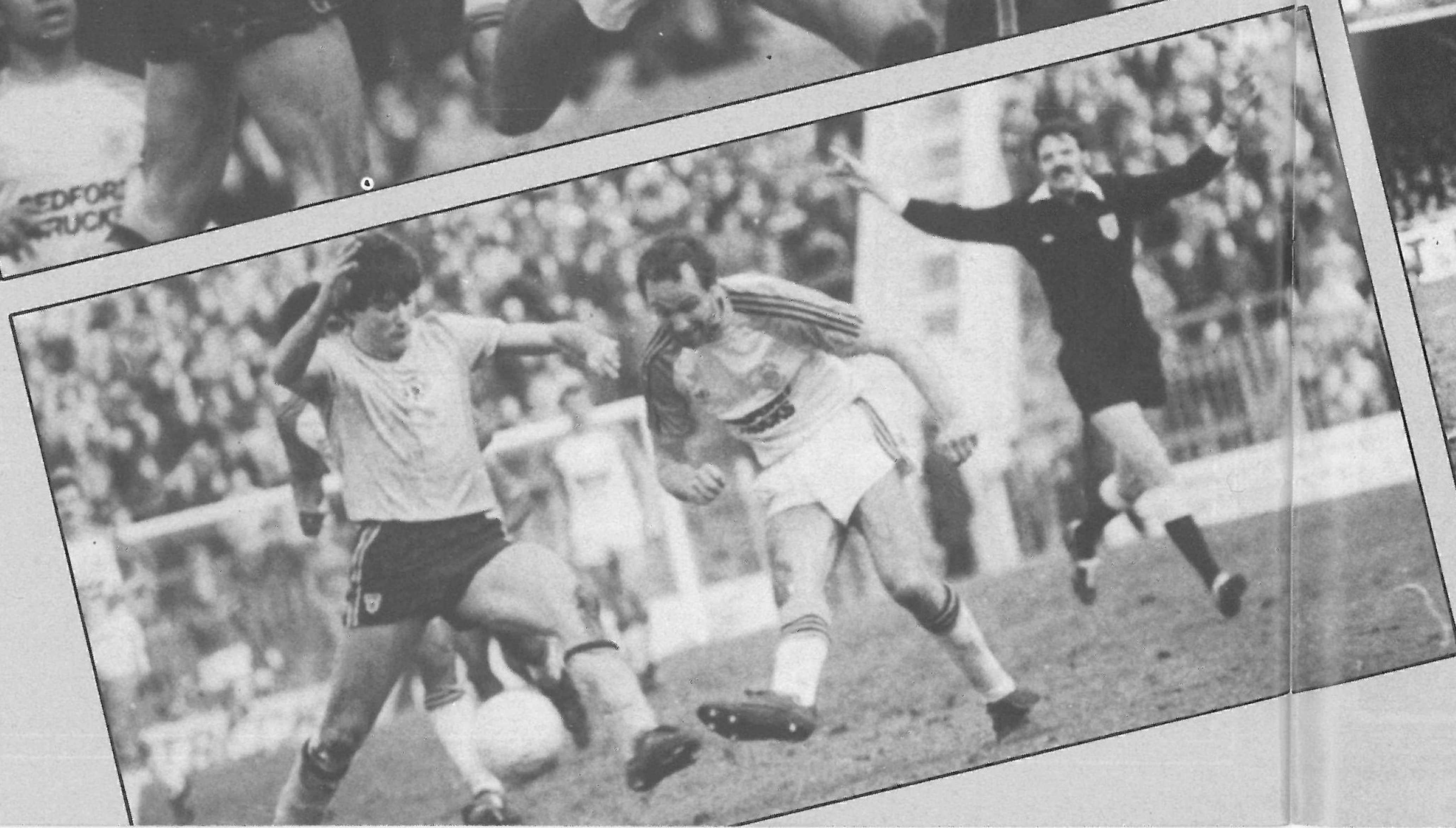
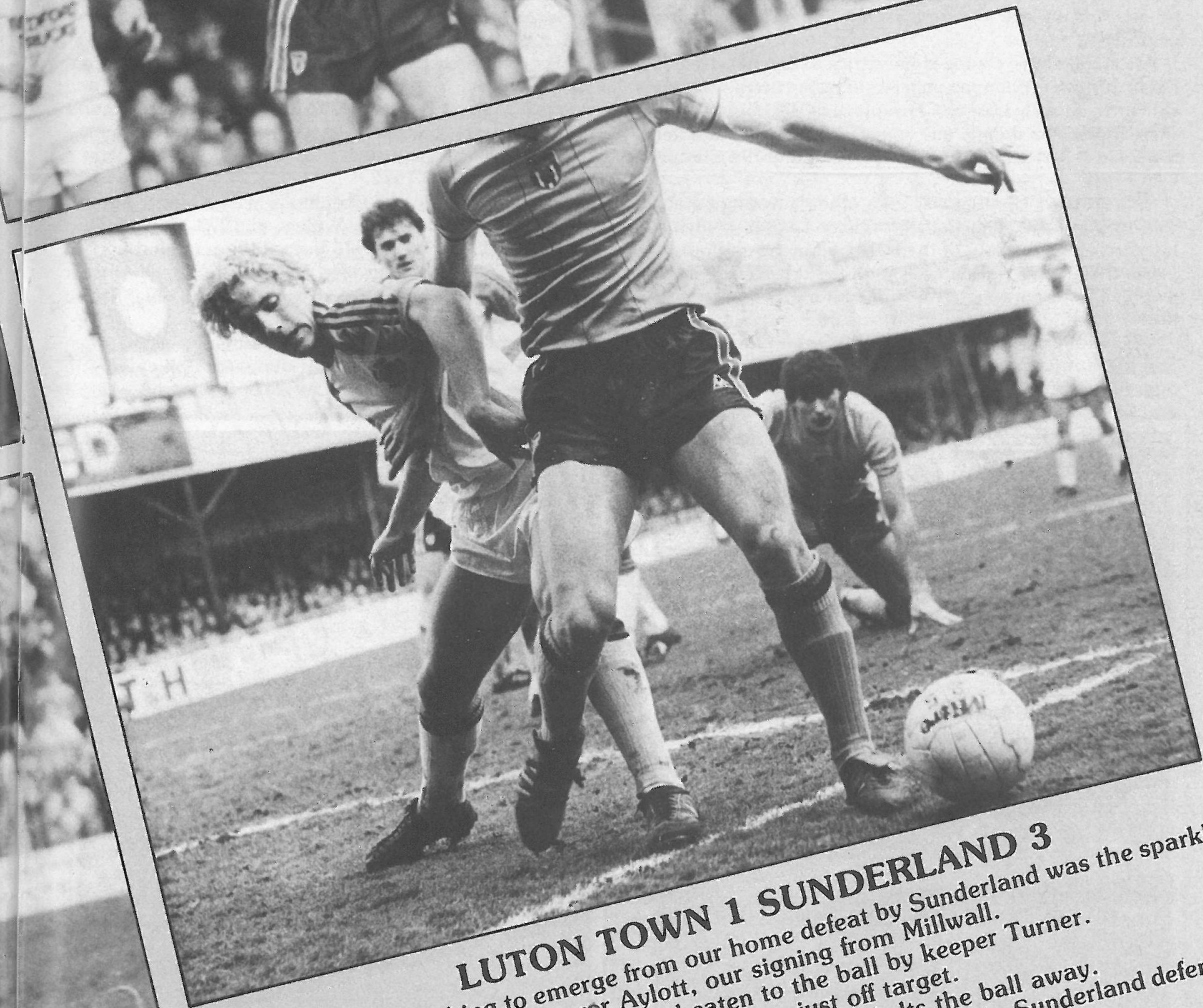
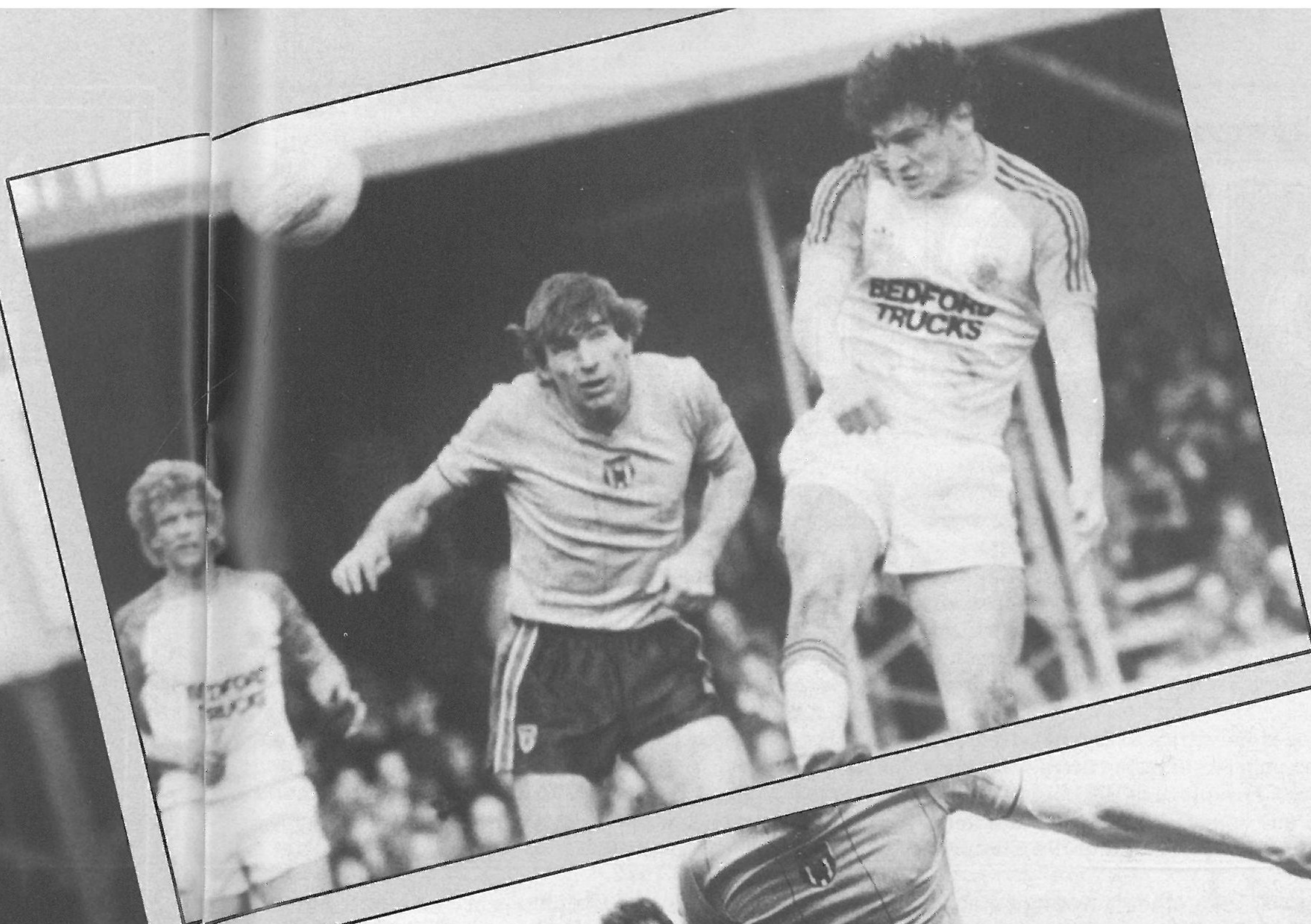
Opposite, John Pyper (right) and Steve Gudgeon

COLOUR SHOT

WELCOME TO
LUTON TOWN
FROM
JOHN PYPER &
STEVE GUDGEON



ACTION



LUTON TOWN 1 SUNDERLAND 3

One bright thing to emerge from our home defeat by Sunderland was the sparkling debut made by Trevor Aylott, our signing from Millwall.
Top left: No luck . . . Aylott is beaten to the ball by keeper Turner.
Top right: Thump . . . skipper Brian Horton belts the ball away.
Bottom left: Bang . . . Aylott's header is just off target.
Bottom right: Beaten . . . Paul Walsh finds the legs of a Sunderland defender too much to cope with.

ASTON VILLA

Now Aston Villa's challenge to retain the European Champions Cup is over, manager Tony Barton is playing for a new European conquest next season — the UEFA Cup!

Villa, League Champions in 1981 and European Cup winners last season, have enjoyed three magnificent seasons. Although they were beaten in the quarter-finals of the European Cup and the FA Cup this season, there is still much to go for. And a place in next season's UEFA Cup is their top priority.

Aston Villa have confused the critics so often that it is probably time we all stopped under-estimating them. Villa were said to be unlikely League Champions in 1981 but they wore their crown with dignity and ended last season with a richly deserved 1-0 victory over Bayern Munich in the European Cup Final.

As European Champions, Villa made a hesitant start to this season. They lost their first three League games and later were knocked out of the Milk Cup by Notts County.

But they recovered superbly and, though there will be no trophies for them this term, Villa can look back on it with pride.

Villa eliminated Turkish club Besiktas (3-1 on aggregate) and the Rumanian Champions Dynamo Bucharest (6-2 on aggregate) from the European Cup before going out to the crack Italian side Juventus (2-5).

In the FA Cup they ousted Northampton (1-0 away), Wolves (1-0 home) and Watford (4-1 home) before falling at Arsenal (0-2) in the sixth round.

Shortly before Christmas, Villa were unlucky in their attempt to become the first English club to win the unofficial World Club Championship. They lost 0-2 to Uruguayan club Penarol in Tokyo.

So let's acknowledge the fact that Aston Villa are now one of the best teams in the country.

In little more than a year Villa's fortunes have rocketed beyond belief. Towards the end of 1981 the club was beset by behind-the-scenes disagreements that led to the resignation of manager Ron Saunders.

Tony Barton, the former number two, took over a most difficult situation, but with careful thought and planning, he got the team back into a winning mood. At one point they had been in danger of relegation but they finally finished in a creditable 11th place.

Barton has now almost completed his first full season in charge of the team but he hasn't felt it necessary to dabble in the transfer market — at least, not as a buyer. He did sell midfielder Terry Bullivant to Charlton for £100,000 and released goalkeeper Mark Kendall to Northampton last summer.

Villa usually opt for a 4-3-3 formation and that means we should see Mark Walters on the left side of the attack with Gary Shaw and Peter Withe in the middle.

Walters was still an apprentice when he made his League debut against Leeds just over a year ago — and that was his only appearance prior to this season. Now he is holding a

regular place at the expense of England winger Tony Morley.

Shaw scored 14 goals last season despite the fact he had several injury-enforced lay-offs. Gary has been a highly successful striker since making his senior bow in 1979. He hit 12 goals in his first full season and in 1980-81 added 20 more — form that was to win him five England Under-21 caps.

Gary has collected two more Under-21 caps this season and is now Villa's leading scorer with 17 goals (as at 29/3/83).

Withe was one of England's World Cup men who didn't get a game in Spain. So far he has five full caps and hopes to add more this season. Peter was Villa's top scorer with 21 goals in their Championship winning season and last season he claimed 14. He began his League career with Southport and moved to Barrow in 1972.

He then joined Arcadia Shepherds in South Africa before returning home to sign for Wolves in 1973. Birmingham paid £50,000 for him in 1975 but sold him to Nottingham Forest for £42,000 a year later. Newcastle signed him for £200,000 in 1978 but sold him to Villa for £400,000 two years later.

Morley made a highly impressive England debut when called on as substitute against Hungary at Wembley in November 1981 and enjoyed another fine game against



GORDON COWANS

VILLA PLAN NEW EURO-CONQUEST

Northern Ireland. He won three caps but was surprisingly left out of the World Cup squad. Preston gave him his start in League soccer in 1972-73 and they received £100,000 when he joined Burnley in 1976. Villa invested £200,000 in his transfer in 1979.

Des Bremner, Gordon Cowans and Dennis Mortimer are likely to form the midfield.

Bremner has been a fixture in the midfield for almost four years since his £300,000 transfer from Hibernian. Des completed more than 200 senior appearances for the Easter Road club before signing for Villa.

Cowans is a graduate from the club's junior ranks. Gordon made his League debut in 1975-76 and has been capped five times by England Under-21s. He won his first full cap against Wales at Wembley in February.

Mortimer is a former England Under-23 international who opened his career with Coventry, for whom he made over 200 first team appearances. Villa paid £175,000 for his transfer in 1976.

Andy Blair has played a few games in midfield and is sometimes named as substitute. After holding his place in the Coventry side for three years — and winning two Scottish Under-21 caps — Andy was transferred to Villa for £300,000 during the 1981 close season.

Allan Evans and Ken McNaught usually fill the centre-back positions.

Evans earned a place in the Scotland team last season and was a member of their World Cup squad in Spain where

he collected his fourth cap in the New Zealand game. He began his career in the Scottish League with Dunfermline, making more than 100 League appearances before joining Villa for £25,000 in 1977.

McNaught, ever present member of Villa's Championship team, lost his place early last season, following an injury, but then re-establishing himself. He made his League bow for Everton in 1974-75 and was transferred to Villa for £200,000 in 1977.

The full-back positions have been occupied by Gary Williams and Colin Gibson but Eamonn Deacy has sometimes appeared on both flanks.

Williams graduated from the juniors to make his First Division bow in 1978-79. The following season he was loaned to Walsall but he regained his Villa first team place two seasons ago.

A Villa discovery, Gibson made his League bow in 1978-79. He was introduced to the England Under-21 side last season.

Deacy has been a Villa professional since March 1979 and made his League debut the next season. Though he is only an occasional first teamer for Villa, Eamonn was capped four times by the Republic of Ireland last season.

Nigel Spink has been playing in goal for several weeks, taking over from Jimmy Rimmer.

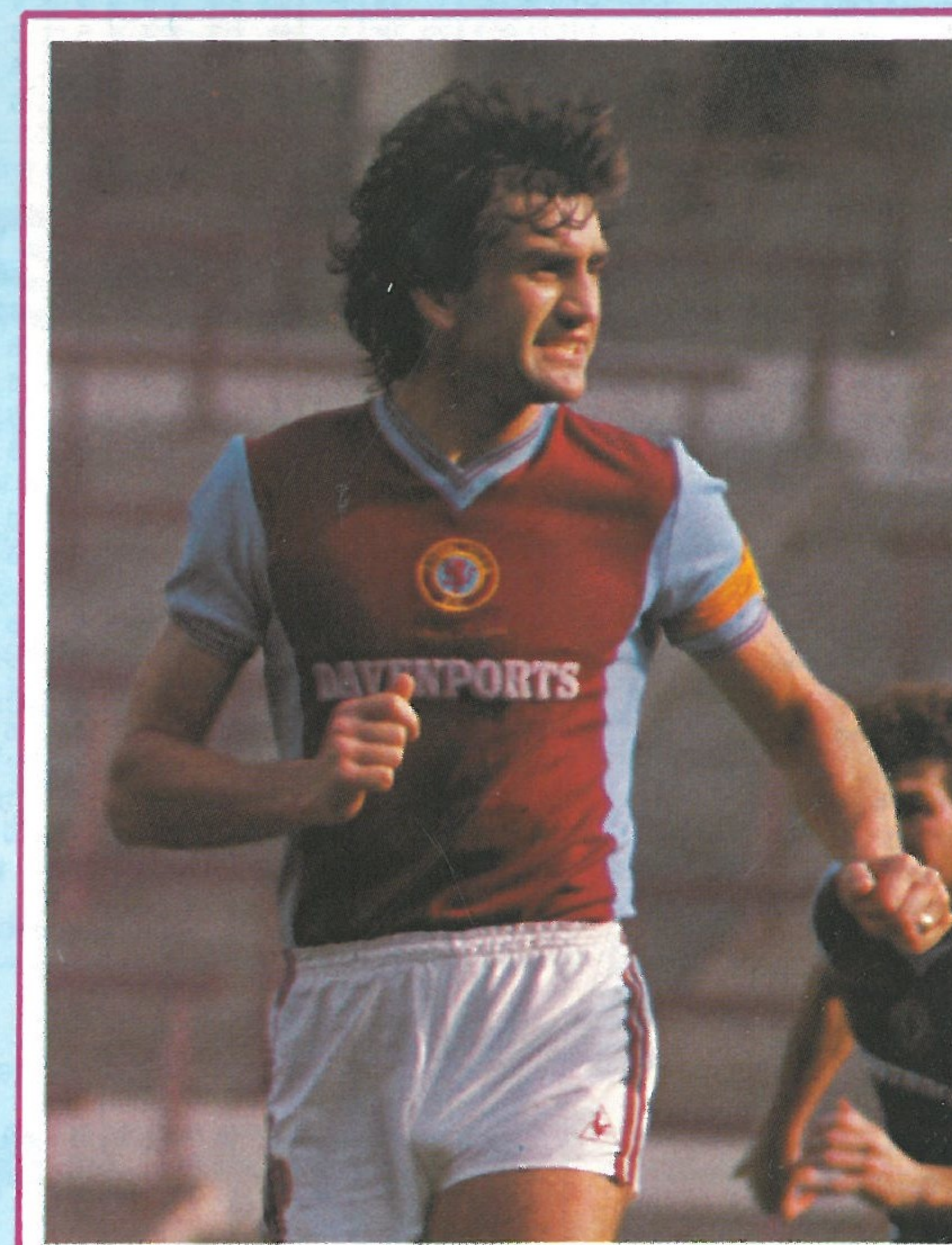
Spink hit the headlines when he came on as substitute for the injured Rimmer in the early minutes of last season's European Cup Final. Though he had only ever appeared in one League match — against Nottingham Forest in 1979-80 — he showed absolutely no nerves and enjoyed a marvellous game.

Rimmer began his career with Manchester United then, following a loan spell with Swansea, he was transferred to Arsenal in 1974. Whilst with the Gunners, he won a richly-deserved England cap. Villa signed him for £70,000 in 1977.

By TONY PULLEIN



MARK WALTERS



DENNIS MORTIMER

Luton's star.



Two teams from Luton are currently making a name for themselves.

'The Hatters' are in the first division.

And Vauxhall-Opel are enjoying fantastic sales success.

Achievements in different fields, but

for the same reasons.

A consistently high all-round performance and magnificent team effort.

Facts confirmed by checking out today's line-up, and by a visit to your local Vauxhall-Opel dealer.

With stars like the Cavalier, the coming season promises to be even better for us.

We're sure that's also true of Luton Town.



VAUXHALL-OPEL