

# LUTON SNAP UP CHANCE

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Everton ... 0, Luton ... 1

**E**VERTON seem to be getting an inferiority complex about playing in front of their own supporters. They have scored only two goals in five home League games and on the evidence of this display there is not much hope of an immediate improvement.

Howard Kendall, the Everton manager, pointed out that his side had "controlled 82 minutes" of this encounter. However, Luton successfully countered any danger and showed that after avoiding relegation by a whisker last season, they have the confidence to do much better this time.

Horton and Bunn combined well in midfield and Hill and Moss are ideal choices for the flanks. Despite some attractive midfield play, however, the contest looked destined for a goaleless stalemate.

In a first half practically devoid of goalmouth incident, Walsh blasted over the bar from six yards and Sealey touched Everton's best effort, a fine long range drive from Sharp, over the bar.

## Walsh scores

With Luton's best moves ending in the off-side trap, and Everton's midfield creating little, it needed a touch of opportunism from Walsh to break the deadlock. Turning past Higgins, he slid the ball wide of Southall 14 minutes from time to give his side their second away win of the season.

Soon afterwards, Stein, after beating three defenders, put the ball just wide to save Everton further embarrassment, but leaving the home side with plenty to reflect on.

**Everton.**—Southall; Harper, Bailey, Ratcliffe, Higgins, Reid, Stevens, Heath, Sharp, King, Sheedy.

**Luton Town.**—Sealey; Stephens, Turner, Horton, Elliott, Donaghy, Hill, Stein, Walsh, Bunn, Moss.