

WALSH STEALS IT FOR HATTERS

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EVERTON 0 LUTON 1 By Eric Harris

PAUL Walsh, scorer of one of the England Under 21 goals in Hungary this week, struck again in the 76th minute to give Luton the lead at Goodison Park this afternoon.

It was the Town's reward for an improved contribution in the second half, after Everton had gone close on several occasions.



By anyone's standards it was never a classic game but, in the first period, Everton had the edge.

Kevin Sheedy, Graeme Sharp and Trevor Steven all went close.

But the Town almost took a surprise lead a minute before the break when Neville Southall managed to parry Ricky Hill's short drive.

Frank Bunn and Walsh had earlier troubled Everton's defence and, in the second half, Brian Stein was unlucky not to put his name on the score sheet when he shot a fraction wide after a dazzling solo run.

The game appeared to be heading for a draw until Walsh's fine effort beat Southall after Brian Horton started the move with a free kick.

ATTENDANCE: 14,325.