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EVERTON v LUTON TOWN

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Goodison's Centre of Excellence

COMMENT

Well, what were we saying about TV only the other week?

No sooner the word about limited coverage of Everton games — and bingo! Our third-round FA Cup-tie at Leeds will be shown in full on BBC's Match of the Day on Friday evening.

That's one answer to those Evertonians who wondered where the cameras had gone. But, really, it's only what we were talking about recently: *the TV people are only too willing to take notice if a team is successful.*

When the draw was made, we were not only the Cup holders but also leaders of the First Division. Leeds United, meanwhile, were showing signs of launching a concerted challenge for promotion. What could be better than such classic Cup ingredients?

Fortunately, the venue at Elland Road is sufficiently close, in travelling time, to remove any serious reservations about the size of our support.

THE SCALE OF VOCAL BACKING IS A TRADITIONAL AND WELCOME ASPECT OF CUP FOOTBALL. There were many occasions last season when the Evertonian contingent positively willed the team to victory in away ties.

A study of attendances at live TV games since the experiment began last season would suggest that the Friday night match is more likely to reduce away support than the Sunday equivalent. But there are always exceptions, and we hope to see a full turnout at Elland Road, just as Newcastle United fans travelled in their thousands to Anfield for a live BBC game at a similar stage last season.

Four ties were covered last year — from the third round to quarter-finals — and, in general, gates held up reasonably well. The figures were: 33,566 Liverpool v Newcastle; 19,057 Brighton v Liverpool; 15,357 Blackburn v Southampton; 43,030 Sheffield Wednesday v Southampton.

In each case — and as the BBC are starting this year — the TV companies went for Cup-ties where First Division met Second Division. It was probably a well-balanced way of showing top standards while retaining the chance of showing an upset.

Incidentally, there is a difference between Cup and League in the way clubs are compensated for loss of revenue.

For League matches, the home club (who now take all the gate money) can apply for an appropriate share from a special fund set up for this purpose. For Cup-ties (where turnstile money is divided between the two clubs and the Cup pool), there is a straight cash payment to each club.

By tomorrow morning, all of football will start building up for the magic of the Cup. Thousands of fans will have their annual wager riding on their club — but where will it all end?

Predicting the two Finalists before the third round is probably more difficult than trying to name the first three in the Grand National. For instance, we would have to agree that Everton v Watford would not have been an odds-on choice last January. We were 16th in the League, with Watford one place lower.

The draw inevitably influences people at this stage, which explains why Manchester United, at home to Bournemouth, were installed as favourites. But, there again, look what happened when they met Bournemouth last season.

The make-up of this weekend's ties is marginally against the First Division — 10 clubs at home (including four matches between Division One teams) and 12 away.

Only Chelsea, Manchester United and West Ham are at home to opposition from lower than the Second Division. On the other hand, Ipswich, QPR, West Brom, Arsenal and Leicester face awkward trips to either Third and Fourth Division clubs, or in the case of Leicester, to non-League survivors, Burton Albion. That match will be played on the nearest Football League ground — Derby County.

IT PROMISES TO BE AS FASCINATING AS EVER.



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1914-15, 1927-28, 1931-32, 1938-39,
1962-63, 1969-70
Runners-up: 1889-90, 1894-95, 1901-02,
1904-05, 1908-09, 1911-12
Second Division Champions: 1930-31
Runners-up: 1953-54
FA Cup Winners: 1906, 1933, 1966, 1984
Runners-up: 1893, 1897, 1907, 1968
Football League Cup Runners-up: 1976-77
Milk Cup Runners-up: 1983-84
FA Youth Cup Winners: 1964-65, 1983-84
Runners-up: 1960-61, 1976-77, 1982-83

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Howard Kendall

We could not have asked for a more entertaining game with which to finish 1984 at Goodison Park than the thriller with Chelsea. But we could have asked for a better result!

The basic story is that we made mistakes and were punished for them by some quality finishing from Gordon Davies.

We battled back very well but when it looked as though we might draw level they nipped away and scored again.

Right to the last seconds we were in with a chance of a point. The ball skimmed a post when it could have so easily gone the other way and made it 4-4.

We have to give full marks to their goalkeeper Eddie Niedzwiecki, for an excellent display but a run through of our video showed that Joey Jones handled from Andy Gray in the first-half. Had that penalty been given Graeme Sharp could have had a hat-trick of penalties which happened once before this season with Andy Blair of Sheffield Wednesday.

Obviously, we shouldn't expect to be left empty handed after scoring three goals but I am not complaining about our spirit and application. The side kept going, the crowd got behind them and it was all very exciting.

Really I thought it was more a case of pressure than neater build up play because Chelsea worked hard and closed down very quickly in midfield.

While we were disappointed to be knocked off the top of the table after seven weeks, there were no problems in picking up the lads for the trip to Sunderland.

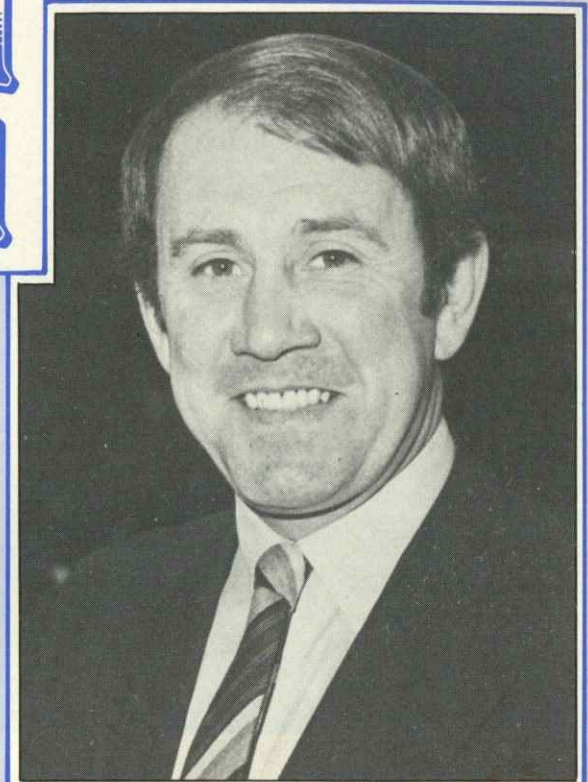
They knew where they'd gone wrong. Individual mistakes had cost us goals and the individuals concerned accepted the responsibility.

We had to make a late change at Roker Park because Gary Stevens was left with a dead leg after a knock in training on Monday.

Unfortunately, Alan Harper was also unavailable because of a hamstring strain and had to miss the opportunity he had been waiting for. So Ian Atkins made his debut and did well considering he was out of his normal position.

Before the game we recalled that Roker Park had not been a very happy hunting ground for us. In the previous two years we played well there but came away with nothing.

We put the record straight this time, although there



wasn't a great deal of flowing football because the two midfields cancelled each other out for much of the time.

Derek Mountfield got back into the scoring habit with two goals and we almost killed Sunderland off when Sharp shaved a post while it was 2-0.

After their goal we were under pressure for a short period but defended well.

The morning results — Spurs being held at home and Liverpool losing at Anfield — had the lads bubbling and afterwards we heard that Manchester United had lost, thus putting us level on points at the top with Spurs.

We were the only winners among the morning's top six and despite the Chelsea set-back a six point gap opened between ourselves and fifth place by the end of Boxing Day.

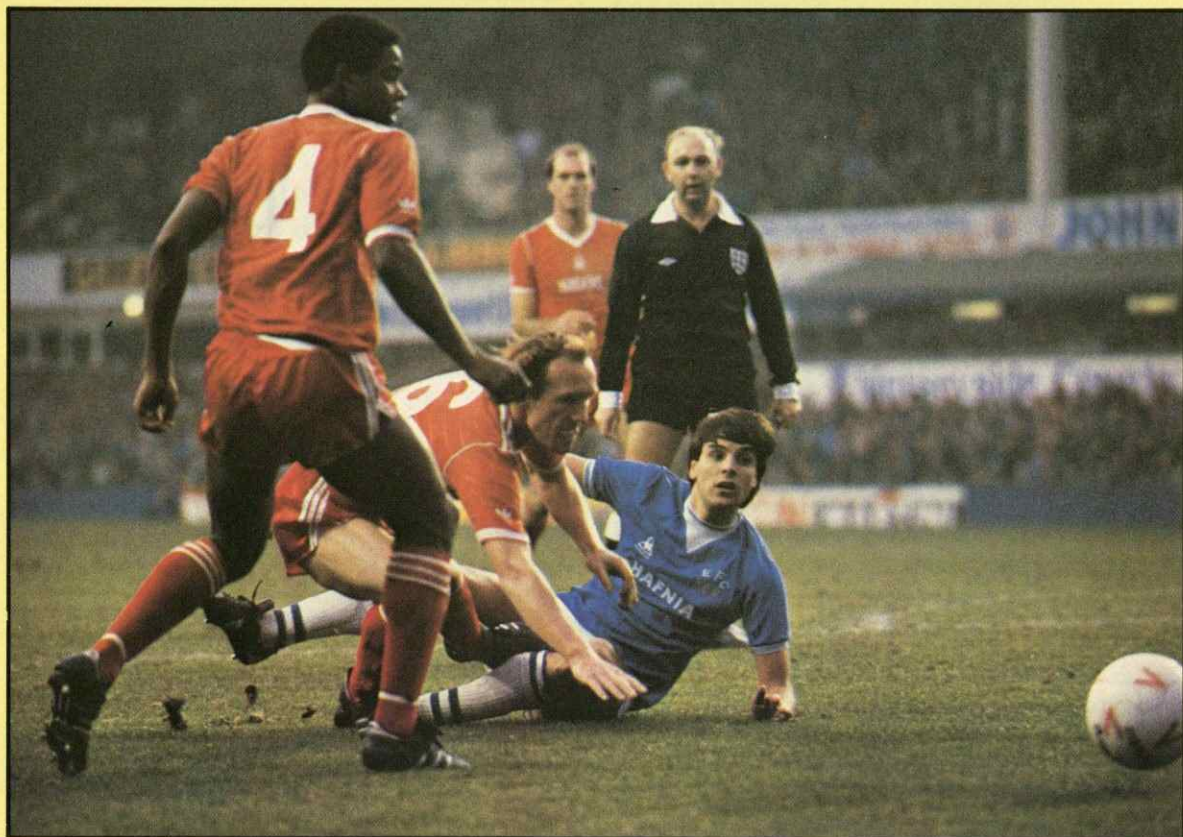
Today we welcome Luton Town to Goodison Park. They have made a number of changes recently signing experienced men like Steve Foster and Mick Harford and they did themselves a lot of good by winning an important game with Coventry City on Boxing Day.

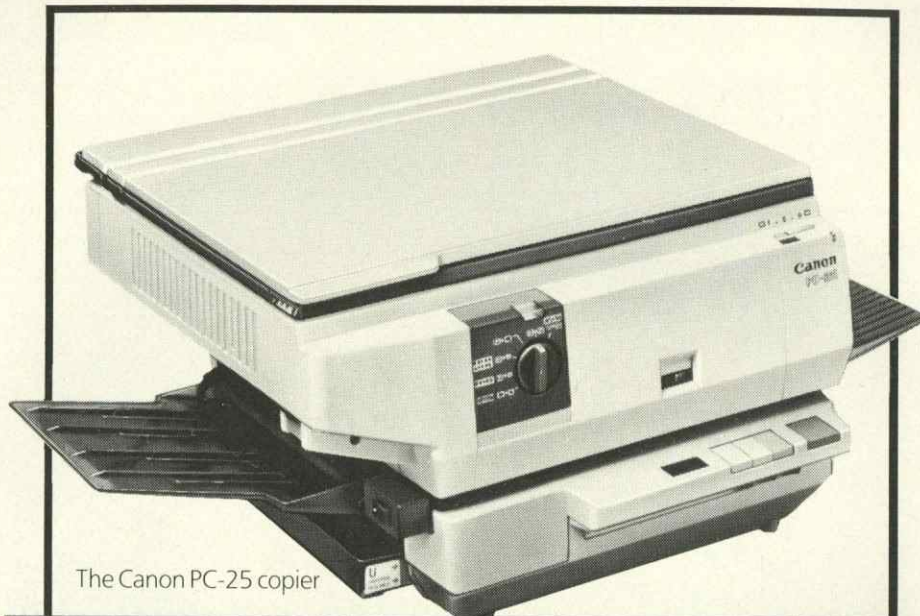
I would like to wish all our supporters a Happy New Year and hope that 1985 is as successful for Everton Football Club as 1984 was.

We have now crossed the half-way mark of the season after a generally pleasing first-half. There have been one or two hiccups along the way but we've scored goals and I feel that we can approach the New Year with plenty of confidence.



● Two-goal Graeme Sharp provides a handful for Forest 'keeper Hans Seeger and also Ian Bowyer, below, while Kevin Sheedy shows his delight after his goal, opposite top, and Derek Mountfield outjumps Hart, below, to set up a goal for Trevor Steven.





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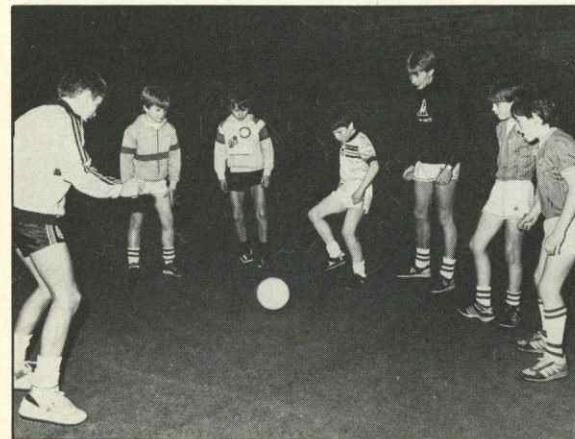
CENTRE OF EXCELLENCE

Everton are among the leading Football League clubs invited by the Football League to run a Centre of Excellence for young schoolboys.

This innovation is effectively a spin-off from the FA's School of Excellence, which opened under a General Motors sponsorship at Lillleshall this season.

Our Youth Development Officer, Ray Minshull, who was formerly FA Staff Coach for the North West region, is responsible for organisation of the weekly coaching sessions at Bellefield.

The boys — in our case, they are in the 11 and 12 age group — meet every Thursday, for one hour, between 4.30 and 5.30 pm.



Graham Smith, the Everton Youth Coach, is pictured taking charge of a recent Centre of Excellence class at Bellefield.

The coaching programme is conducted according to FA guidelines and, at the moment, Graham Smith, our Youth Coach, is tutoring about 20 boys.

'The idea', says Ray, 'is for football clubs to put their facilities and coaching staff at the disposal of young boys, in the hope that we can improve their technique and general standard of football.'

'Because the scheme is run by the FA, we are able to coach boys of 11 and 12-years-old who would not normally be permitted to train with a League club.'

'After a month, they have to be registered, which entails the signatures of the boys, their parents and their school headmaster. Having registered for a particular club, they cannot go to any other club for 12 months, but after that period, they are free to move.'

'If the lads are really enjoying what they see and learn here, then, hopefully, some will want to stay with us.'

The boys are chosen on recommendations from schools and our scouts, and as numbers are restricted, we are not advertising for boys to come along.

The coaching is aimed strictly at individual skills. There will not be any competitive matches or even practice games of 11-a-side.

'The general idea is to give an hour's expert coaching which will certainly do no harm and should only do good for the young players,' added Ray.



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The first match of 1984 was an important one for Everton. Defeat at Birmingham City would have placed us uncomfortably close to the First Division safety line — but we won. And never looked back. An unbeaten run, lasting for 2½ months, swept the club forward in the League, while continued success in Cup competitions eventually brought three visits to Wembley. The events of a marvellous year are recorded in the following pages, both in pictures and in comments from manager Howard Kendall.

JANUARY/FEBRUARY ACHIEVEMENTS . . .

Reached Milk Cup Final by beating Oxford (Round 5) and Aston Villa (Semi-final); FA Cup wins against Stoke, Gillingham and Shrewsbury; Unbeaten for two months in the League; Howard Kendall Manager of the Month for February.



18th JANUARY . . . Time is running out in the Milk Cup quarter-final at Oxford when Adrian Heath (top left) seizes on Kevin Brock's back-pass and takes the ball round Steve Hardwick for the equaliser. We won the replay 4-1.



6th FEBRUARY . . . (Bottom left) the FA Cup trail is opening but only after three meetings with Gillingham. The Third Division side are finally beaten 3-0 at Priestfield, Kevin Sheedy opening the scoring.

15th FEBRUARY . . . Qualifying for Wembley for the first time. The Milk Cup semi-final against Aston Villa is effectively settled by goals from Kevin Sheedy (above) and Kevin Richardson (left).

18th FEBRUARY . . . Second Division Shrewsbury Town are pushed aside when Alan Irvine notches the first goal in a 3-0 win at Goodison Park (far left).



LEAGUE PLACINGS

31st December 1983 . . .		
Pos	P	Pts
16	Everton	21 24
17	Watford	21 22
18	Leicester	22 22
19	Birmingham	21 19
20	Notts County	21 18
21	Stoke	20 16
22	Wolves	21 14
28th January 1984 . . .		
14	Everton	24 31
15	Sunderland	23 30
16	WBA	24 30
17	Ipswich	24 29
18	Leicester	25 29
19	Birmingham	24 25
20	Notts County	24 20
21	Stoke	25 20
22	Wolves	24 17
25th February 1984 . . .		
14	Everton	27 36
15	Birmingham	28 33
16	Sunderland	28 33
17	Ipswich	28 32
18	Leicester	28 32
19	WBA	28 32
20	Stoke	29 29
21	Notts County	28 21
22	Wolves	28 19

HOWARD KENDALL COMMENTS . . .

'With our League position as it was, the continued progress in the Milk Cup and the advent of the FA Cup became important in giving the team impetus. Good results in the Cups seemed to build up confidence in League performances.

'Sometimes, it does have the adverse effect. A team can find themselves concentrating on the Cup-ties when they are in a safe League position, but every game was vital to us in the early part of the year.

'Obviously, the highlight was beating Aston Villa to qualify for Wembley for the first time, but in terms of the League, nothing was more valuable than the win at Birmingham on 2nd January.

'When you look back on successful Cup runs, there are always ties where the result might have gone the other way. I suppose the one which sticks out in the FA Cup was against Gillingham.

'I remember that they had a spell of set-pieces which caused us problems in the first match at home. Steve Bruce, who has since gone to Norwich, had a tremendous long throw-in and he was also very useful, attacking free-kicks and corners.

'Then we had a scare in the first replay. Tony Cascarino broke away and might have ended our hopes there and then, but Neville Southall made the crucial save.

'After another draw, we lost the toss for the home advantage in the second replay, but we went back to Gillingham and made no mistake at the third attempt.

'The Milk Cup semi-final with Villa was really settled when we won the first leg 2-0 at Goodison Park. The enthusiasm of the fans that night, and again when we went through despite losing 1-0 at Villa Park, was marvellous to see.'

FA CUP THIRD ROUND

LEEDS UNITED v EVERTON

In the event of a replay being required, this will take place at Goodison Park on Tuesday 8th January 1985, kick-off 7.30 pm.

Admission prices will be as normal League fixtures:

Main Stand, Top Balcony & Upper Bullens Stands	£4.40
Lower Bullens & Gwladys Street Stands	£4.20
Lower Bullens (Blues Family Club, Juniors only)	£2.10
Ground	£2.20
Ground (Junior Evertonians members only)	£1.50
Paddock and Enclosure	£2.30
Adult/Junior in Enclosure	£3.40

Season Ticket Holders may apply for their normal seat by producing voucher 31 together with the priority voucher showing correct row and seat number on Saturday 5th January 1985 (9.30 am to 2 pm), Monday 7th January 1985 (9.30 am to 6 pm) or Tuesday 8th January 1985 (9.30 am to 2 pm) from the Goodison Road Box Office.

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Senior Citizens Season Ticket Holders in the Lower Bullens Stand may claim their usual seat provided application is made during same hours at a reduced price of £3.70.

It is regretted that due to the short amount of time available, postal applications can not be accepted.

Admission to the unreserved section of the Top Balcony, together with the Ground, Paddock and Enclosure will be by cash payment at the turnstile. Ground, Paddock and Enclosure Season Ticket Holders enter via normal Season Ticket turnstiles with the appropriate voucher and correct cash.

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MARCH ACHIEVEMENTS . . .

The first all-Merseyside Cup Final at Wembley; Progress to the FA Cup semi-final with a sixth-round win at Notts County.



HOWARD KENDALL COMMENTS . . .

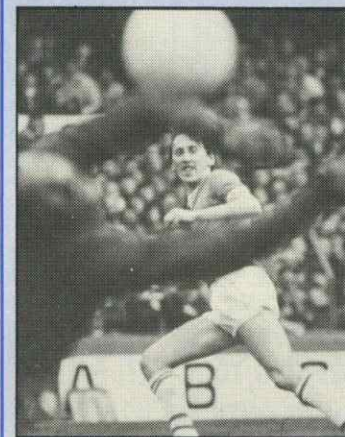
'The first match with Liverpool was one of those occasions which we will always remember, especially the fans on both sides. They were brilliant.

'In terms of the games, I felt we had the edge at Wembley but that Liverpool just about had the edge at Maine Road. It always looked as if the result would be settled by one goal — and that's what happened.

'To our intense disappointment, it was scored by Liverpool, but that was where our interest in the FA Cup was such an uplift. We didn't have time to dwell on losing a Final because we were looking towards Wembley again.

'Without the FA Cup, the season might have died. Instead, we were still involved in exciting times, and no-one was more keyed up than Andy Gray. He was Cup-tied in the Milk Cup but had no intention of missing out on a Wembley appearance.

'In the League, we continued to climb the table, although March brought our first defeat since 27th December.'



LEAGUE PLACINGS

31st March 1984 . . .

Pos		P.Pts
1	Liverpool	33 66
2	Manchester Utd	33 64
3	Nottingham Forest	33 57
4	West Ham	33 55
5	Southampton	32 55
6	QPR	34 54
7	Tottenham	34 50
8	Arsenal	34 48
9	Watford	34 48
10	Aston Villa	34 48
11	Luton	34 47
12	Birmingham	34 44
13	Everton	32 33



3rd MARCH . . . Alan Harper (above) playing against his former club, levels the Milk Cup Final dress rehearsal with an equaliser against Liverpool.

25th MARCH . . . (Left) all square at Wembley and handshakes all-round before the teams did battle again at Maine Road. Sadly, Liverpool took the trophy with a single goal.

27th MARCH . . . (Top) another Cup challenge prospers as Neill Rimmer scores against Barnsley in the semi-final of the FA Youth Cup.

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Andy Gray's header, this picture, provides the chance for Graeme Sharp's first goal in the win against Forest, below, with the Forest skipper Ian Bowyer not looking too pleased with life!



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AUGUST/SEPTEMBER ACHIEVEMENTS . . .

Beat Liverpool 1-0 to win the FA Charity Shield.

HOWARD KENDALL COMMENTS . . .

'People say the Charity Shield is not important, but when you meet Liverpool at Wembley, it means a lot to win.

'But we then lost our first two League games and wondered whether we had peaked too early. Every side needs its first win and eventually got ours in the third match at Chelsea. It's nice to win one at home and one away as quickly as possible, which stops people saying you've gone so many games without doing this or that.

'In the first few matches, we were doing things that we hadn't done last season and it was all a matter of how quickly we got back into the groove.

'Paul Bracewell, who was signed from Sunderland in FA Cup Final week, made a good impression from the start and, later in September, we strengthened the squad by signing Pat Van den Hauwe from Birmingham City.

'Pat's arrival gave us extra cover at left-back, although he was not signing in time to play in the first two rounds in Europe.'

LEAGUE PLACINGS

29th September 1984 . . .

Pos		PPts
1	Tottenham	8 16
2	Nottingham Forest	8 16
3	Arsenal	8 16
4	Manchester United	8 14
5	Sheffield Wednesday	8 14
6	Everton	8 14



18th AUGUST . . . (Left) Wembley again — and this time we even the score with Liverpool by winning the FA Charity Shield.
AUGUST . . . (Above) new signing Paul Bracewell (centre) with Derek Mountfield and Gary Stevens, displaying shirts and medal after playing together for England in the previous season's European Under-21 Championship Final.

10th SEPTEMBER . . . (Below) coach Colin Harvey receives the Liverpool Echo's Dixie Dean Memorial award from Joe Mercer. 'It's a reflection of what has happened at the club in the last nine months,' says Colin.



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OCTOBER/NOVEMBER ACHIEVEMENTS . . .

Defeated UCD and Inter Bratislava to reach quarter-final of the European Cup-Winners' Cup; Won at Liverpool for the first time in 14 years; Set post-War club record of 10 successive wins; Beat Manchester United twice in four days; Howard Kendall Manager of the Month for October.

HOWARD KENDALL COMMENTS . . .

'A marvellous period in which we had some tremendous results, culminating in a post-War record number of wins before we lost an incredible Milk Cup-tie at home to Grimsby Town.

'We played consistently well throughout the two months and the quality of our football was especially pleasing. It's not easy to beat Manchester United twice, but we did it in style when trouncing them 5-0 in the League. Our performance that day was absolutely superb.

'It was also nice to go to Anfield and win there for the first time since my playing days with the club.

'At the start of November, we went to the top of the League and stayed there into December. But even in a good year, there are sometimes disappointments.

'We were only just coming to terms with the terrible news that injury had ended Mark Higgins'

career when Adrian Heath damaged knee ligaments and learned that he would have to miss the rest of the season. A double set-back on that scale was a bitter blow, but, fortunately, we had players to come into the side.

'Andy Gray replaced Adrian and, of course, we had also signed Ian Atkins from Sunderland to give us cover in the centre of the defence.'

LEAGUE PLACINGS

27th October 1984 . . .

Pos		PPts
1	Arsenal	12 25
2	Everton	12 23
3	Tottenham	12 22
4	Sheffield Wednesday	12 21
5	West Ham	12 21
6	Manchester United	12 20

1st December 1984 . . .

1	Everton	17 33
2	Manchester United	17 32
3	Arsenal	17 32
4	Tottenham	17 30
5	Southampton	17 28



20th OCTOBER . . . (Below) the golden goal from Graeme Sharp ending our 14-year wait for a derby win at Anfield.
3rd NOVEMBER . . . Ian Atkins (above) signs from Sunderland as Everton go top of the League with a 3-0 win against Leicester City.



ATTENDANCES AND CANON LEAGUE DIVISION ONE 84-85

Home League Games		Average		Home		Away		Pts						
Highest	Average	P	W	D	L	F	A	W	D	L	F	A	Pts	
37,198	29,151	Tottenham	21	6	3	1	27	12	6	1	4	16	10	40
40,769	28,043	Everton	21	6	3	2	29	14	6	1	3	16	14	40
56,638	45,339	Manchester United	21	8	3	0	28	6	3	2	5	14	20	38
50,006	34,792	Arsenal	21	8	3	0	24	7	3	0	7	15	20	36
26,401	15,128	WBA	21	7	2	1	24	10	3	2	6	12	20	34
22,183	19,435	Southampton	21	6	2	2	11	7	3	5	3	16	16	34
25,902	18,726	Nottingham Forest	21	7	1	2	20	11	3	2	6	13	20	33
40,972	23,516	Chelsea	21	7	1	2	24	9	1	7	3	13	16	32
33,421	26,694	Sheffield Wednesday	21	6	4	1	23	13	2	4	4	9	10	32
45,545	35,270	Liverpool	21	3	4	3	12	9	5	3	3	15	12	31
22,005	16,213	Norwich City	21	7	3	1	20	10	1	3	6	9	18	30
23,840	14,315	Leicester City	21	6	2	3	28	16	2	2	6	12	23	28
33,218	18,572	West Ham United	21	5	3	3	14	9	2	4	4	13	21	28
25,405	18,286	Sunderland	21	6	2	3	17	13	1	3	6	11	17	26
24,225	19,288	Watford	21	3	3	4	21	20	3	4	4	19	20	25
31,497	26,583	Newcastle United	21	5	3	2	17	11	1	4	6	16	30	25
37,132	19,700	Aston Villa	21	5	4	2	17	12	1	3	6	9	22	25
26,610	13,488	QPR	21	5	4	2	21	14	0	4	6	4	22	23
16,066	10,452	Luton Town	21	4	4	3	16	13	1	2	7	10	27	21
24,508	16,997	Ipswich Town	21	3	4	3	13	13	1	3	7	6	18	19
18,482	12,903	Coventry City	21	4	3	3	10	11	1	1	9	10	29	19
21,013	12,656	Stoke City	21	2	2	6	13	22	0	3	8	4	24	11

CENTRAL LEAGUE FIXTURES 1984-85

Date	v Opponents	F A
Aug 28	H Barnsley	2-3
Sept 5	A Sheffield Utd	2-6
Sept 11	H Newcastle Utd	5-3
Sept 25	H Stoke City	5-0
Oct 3	A Coventry City	3-0
Oct 11	A Aston Villa	0-2
Oct 16	H Manchester Utd	1-2
Oct 25	A Sheffield Wed	2-4
Oct 30	H Notts County	4-0
Nov 8	H Nottingham F	1-5
Nov 13	A Liverpool	1-2
Nov 21	H West Brom A	2-0
Nov 28	A Blackburn	4-2
Dec 4	H Manchester City	3-1
Dec 11	A Bradford City	6-1
Dec 18	H Huddersfield	4-1
Jan 9	A Barnsley	
Jan 15	H Sheffield Utd	
Jan 23	A Newcastle Utd	
Jan 29	H Derby County	
Feb 5	H Coventry City	
Feb 13	A Stoke City	
Feb 19	H Liverpool	
Feb 27	A Nottingham F	
Mar 5	H Notts County	
Mar 12	H Sheffield Wed	
Mar 19	A Manchester Utd	
Mar 26	H Aston Villa	
Apr 3	A West Brom A	
Apr 10	H Blackburn	
Apr 16	A Manchester City	
Apr 23	A Huddersfield	
Apr 30	H Bradford City	
TBA	A Derby County	

CENTRAL LEAGUE 1984-85

Team	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Aston Villa	18	12	4	2	34	12	40
Nott'm Forest	17	9	5	3	38	25	32
Liverpool	16	9	5	2	28	16	32
Sheffield United	17	10	0	7	33	22	30
Manchester Utd	16	9	2	5	33	19	29
Everton	16	9	0	7	45	32	27
Sheffield Wed	16	8	2	5	29	21	26
Blackburn	16	6	5	5	23	23	23
Manchester City	15	7	2	6	23	26	23
Huddersfield	17	6	3	8	28	32	21
Derby	13	5	3	5	18	21	18
Stoke	16	5	3	8	28	33	18
Notts County	17	4	4	9	20	37	16
Newcastle	14	4	2	8	20	32	14
Bradford City	17	4	2	11	22	38	14
Coventry	14	3	3	8	16	26	12
Barnsley	15	3	3	9	14	25	12
WBA	13	4	0	9	10	22	12

LANCASHIRE LEAGUE FIXTURES 1984-85

Date	v Opponents	F A
Aug 24	A Southport Res	1-1
Sep 1	A Formby Res	2-1
Sep 8	H Rochdale Res	2-1
Sep 15	A Liverpool 'A'	5-4
Sep 22	H Man City 'A'	3-1
Sep 29	H Man Utd 'A'	3-1
Oct 6	A Crewe Res	3-2
Oct 8	A Bury Res	2-2
Oct 20	A Manchester Utd 'A'	1-3
Oct 27	H Chester Res	0-3
Nov 21	A UMIST	0-0
Nov 24	H Crewe Res	1-1
Nov 30	A Stockport 'A'	0-3
Dec 15	H Bolton 'A'	4-0
Dec 22	H Formby Res	2-0
Jan 1	H Stockport 'A'	
Jan 5	A Marine Res	
Jan 12	H Barrow Res	
Jan 19	H Southport Res	
Jan 16	A Alsager College	
Jan 26	H Morecambe 'A'	
Feb 2	H Alsager College	
Feb 9	A Rochdale Res	
Feb 16	A Bolton 'A'	
Feb 23	A Burnley 'A'	
Mar 9	H Tranmere Res	
Mar 16	A S. Liverpool Res	
Mar 23	A Manchester City 'A'	
Mar 27	H UMIST	
Mar 30	H Burnley 'A'	
Apr 12	A Chester Res	
Apr 27	H Tranmere Res	
May 11	A Morecambe 'A'	
TBA	H Marine Res	
	H Liverpool 'A'	
	A Barrow Res	
	H S. Liverpool Res	
	H Bury Res	

RESERVE APPEARANCES 1984-85

Player	A	G	A	G	
Arnold	16	—	Marshall	9	—
Atkins	7	—	Morrissey	15	1
Bailey	8	—	O'Brien	2	—
Bishop	4	2	Oldroyd	1	—
Byrne	6	—	Richardson	4	1
Curran	10	4	Rimmer N	6	2
Danskin	10	—	Rimmer S.	7	2
Gray	7	8	Rooney	1	—
Harper	12	—	Sheedy	3	2
Higgins	3	—	Van d Hauwe	2	—
Hughes	4	—	Wakenshaw	16	19
Macowat	9	—	Walsh	14	2
			Own Goal	—	2

FIRST TEAM FIXTURES 84-85

Date	V	Opposition	F A	Att	Pos
Aug 25	H	Tottenham Hotspur	1-4	35,630	—
Aug 27	A	WBA	1-2	13,464	—
Aug 31	A	Chelsea	1-0	17,734	—
Sept 4	H	Ipswich Town	1-1	22,314	—
Sept 8	H	Coventry City	2-1	20,013	13
Sept 15	A	Newcastle Utd	3-2	28,944	6
Sept 19	A	UCD (ECWC 1-1L)	0-0	9,000	—
Sept 22	H	Southampton	2-2	22,354	6
Sept 26	A	Sheffield United (MC2-1L)	2-2	16,345	—
Sept 29	A	Watford	5-4	18,335	6
Oct 2	H	UCD (ECWC 1-2L)	1-0	16,277	—
Oct 6	A	Arsenal	0-1	37,049	8
Oct 10	H	Sheffield Utd (MC2-2L)	4-0	18,740	—
Oct 13	H	Aston Villa	2-1	25,089	6
Oct 20	A	Liverpool	1-0	45,545	4
Oct 24	A	I-Bratislava (ECWC 2-1L)	1-0	15,000	—
Oct 27	H	Manchester Utd	5-0	40,769	2
Oct 30	A	Manchester Utd (MC3)	+2-1	50,918	—
Nov 3	H	Leicester City	3-0	27,784	1
Nov 7	H	I-Bratislava (ECWC 2-2L)	3-0	25,007	—
Nov 10	A	West Ham Utd	1-0	24,089	1
Nov 17	H	Stoke City	4-0	26,705	1
Nov 20	H	Grimsby Town (MC4)	0-1	26,298	—
Nov 24	A	Norwich City	2-4	16,925	1
Dec 1	H	Sheffield Wednesday	1-1	35,440	1
Dec 8	A	Queens Park Rangers	0-0	14,338	1
Dec 15	H	Nottingham Forest	5-0	22,487	1
Dec 22	H	Chelsea	3-4	29,887	3
Dec 26	A	Sunderland	2-1	19,714	2
Dec 29	A	Ipswich Town			
Jan 1	H	Luton Town			
Jan 4	A	Leeds United (FAC 3)			
Jan 12	H	Newcastle Utd			
Jan 19	A	Tottenham Hotspur			
Jan 26	(FAC 4)				
Feb 2	H	Watford			
Feb 9	A	Coventry City			
Feb 16	H	West Ham Utd (FAC 5)			
Feb 23	A	Leicester City			
Mar 2	A	Manchester Utd			
Mar 6	H	F.T. Sittard (ECWC3-1L)			
Mar 9	H	Liverpool (FAC 6)			
Mar 16	A	Aston Villa			
Mar 20	A	F.T. Sittard (ECWC3-2L)			
Mar 23	H	Arsenal			
Mar 30	A	Southampton			
Apr 6	H	Sunderland			
Apr 9	A	Luton Town			
Apr 13	H	WBA (FAC SF)			
Apr 20	A	Stoke City			
Apr 27	H	Norwich City			
May 4	A	Sheffield Wednesday			
May 6	H	Queens Park Rangers			
May 11	A	Nottingham Forest			
Aug 18		Liverpool (FA Charity)	+1-0	100,000	—

RESULTS · ATTENDANCES · APPEARANCES AND GOALSCORERS

	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12
Aug 25	H Tottenham Hotspur	Stevens	Bailey	Ratcliffe	Mountfield	Reid	Steven	Heath ¹	Sharp	Bracewell	Richardson*	Gray
Aug 27	A WBA	Stevens	Bailey	Ratcliffe	Mountfield	Reid	Curran	Heath ¹	Sharp	Steven	Richardson	Harper
Aug 31	A Chelsea	Stevens	Bailey	Ratcliffe	Mountfield	Reid	Steven	Heath	Sharp	Bracewell	Richardson ¹	Curran
Sept 4	H Ipswich Town	Stevens	Bailey	Ratcliffe	Mountfield	Reid	Steven	Heath ¹	Sharp	Bracewell	Richardson*	Curran
Sept 8	H Coventry City	Stevens	Bailey	Ratcliffe	Mountfield	Reid	Steven	Heath ¹	Sharp ¹	Bracewell	Richardson*	Curran
Sept 15	A Newcastle Utd	Stevens	Bailey	Ratcliffe	Mountfield	Reid	Steven	Heath	Gray ¹	Bracewell	Sheedy ¹	Sharp
Sept 19	A UCD (ECWC 1-1L)	Stevens	Bailey	Ratcliffe	Mountfield	Reid	Steven*	Heath	Sharp	Bracewell	Sheedy	Curran
Sept 22	H Southampton	Stevens	Bailey	Ratcliffe	Mountfield ¹	Reid	Steven	Heath	Sharp ¹	Bracewell	Sheedy	Curran
Sept 26	A Sheffield United (MC2-1L)	Stevens	Bailey	Ratcliffe	Mountfield ¹	Reid	Steven	Heath	Sharp ¹	Bracewell	Sheedy	Curran
Sept 29	A Watford	Stevens	Bailey	Ratcliffe	Mountfield ¹	Reid	Steven	Heath ²	Sharp ¹	Bracewell	Sheedy*	Curran
Oct 2	H UCD (ECWC 1-2L)	Stevens	Bailey	Ratcliffe	Mountfield	Reid	Steven	Heath*	Sharp ¹	Bracewell	Curran	Wakenshaw
Oct 6	A Arsenal	Stevens	Van d Hauwe	Ratcliffe	Mountfield	Reid	Steven	Heath	Sharp	Bracewell	Richardson	Harper
Oct 10	H Sheffield Utd (MC2-2L)	Stevens	Van d Hauwe	Ratcliffe	Mountfield ¹	Reid	Steven	Heath ¹	Sharp ¹	Bracewell ¹	Richardson	Wakenshaw
Oct 13	H Aston Villa	Stevens	Van d Hauwe	Ratcliffe	Mountfield	Reid	Steven	Heath ¹	Sharp ¹	Bracewell	Harper	Wakenshaw
Oct 20	A Liverpool	Stevens	Van d Hauwe	Ratcliffe	Mountfield	Reid	Steven	Heath	Sharp ¹	Bracewell	Harper	Gray
Oct 24	A I-Bratislava (ECWC 2-1L)	Stevens	Bailey	Ratcliffe	Mountfield	Reid	Steven	Heath	Sharp	Bracewell ¹	Harper	—
Oct 27	H Manchester Utd	Stevens ¹	Van d Hauwe	Ratcliffe	Mountfield	Reid	Steven	Heath ¹	Sharp ¹	Bracewell	Sheedy ^{2*}	Gray
Oct 30	A Manchester Utd (MC3)	Stevens	Van d Hauwe	Ratcliffe	Mountfield	Reid	Steven	Heath	Sharp ¹	Bracewell	Harper	Gray
Nov 3	H Leicester City	Stevens	Van d Hauwe	Ratcliffe	Mountfield	Reid	Steven	Heath ¹	Sharp*	Bracewell	Sheedy ¹	Gray
Nov 7	H I-Bratislava (ECWC 2-2L)	Stevens	Bailey	Ratcliffe	Mountfield	Reid*	Steven					

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From: T. C. Jones (Season ticket holder), New Brighton . . .
I was very disappointed to hear about Mark Higgins being forced to finish his football career. Mark was a great player and would surely have gained international honours if he had been allowed to continue his career.
He was certainly a battler and a courageous centre back. I wish Mark and his family well for the future.

From: Alison Christer, 6 Dial House Road, Wisewood, Sheffield S6 4WT . . .
Any Evertonian wishing to travel to all home matches and some away games, please contact me to make arrangements about petrol costs etc.

From: George Dimitrov, kv Krasna Poliana, bl 37 vh B et 5 pa 25, ul Kr. Palanka, Sofia 1330, Bulgaria . . .
I am a very keen Everton supporter who lives very far away from England. I'm a collector of football souvenirs and want to exchange some with Everton fans.

From: Trevor Gauntlett, Secretary, Sheffield University Everton Supporters' Society . . .
We are planning an end-of-season dinner in Sheffield on 4th May 1985. We have written to the club requesting a guest speaker and hope to hold the function in a two- or three-star hotel in Sheffield.
We need, however, to make a commitment on numbers. If anyone is interested in attending, would they send their names, plus £2 per head deposit, to me at: 33 Roach Road, Brincliffe, Sheffield S11 8UA.
I appreciate that many non-members may be interested, as they will be in Sheffield for the match at Hillsborough. We would welcome their presence and hope to include a hotel room package for non-Sheffield residents.
Cheques should be made payable to S.U.S.U. Everton Supporters' Society.

From: Mr P. G. Biram, 24 Hawthorne Close, Barlborough, Nr Chesterfield, Derbys S43 4HR . . .
I would like to let people know that there are still some genuine supporters.

Being a Wednesdayite, I travelled to Goodison Park to watch them play. On my arrival at the ground, I met two (lovely) young ladies who support Everton. We had a good conversation and they directed me to the part of the ground for which my ticket was valid. I would like to thank them.
After taking my seat, my thoughts were on the lady I had approached and not on the match. Now I'm kicking myself for not asking if I could write to her! If she reads this, please would she write to me. I mentioned that I'm a postman, so don't forget the postcode!

From: Steve Schoppler, 32 Buxley Road, Elphinstone, Tranent, East Lothian EH33 2LW . . .
I would like a female pen-pal, preferably aged 19-25. I am 23 and support Dundee. My hobbies are listening to music, keeping fit, sport in general, reading, touring, socialising and travelling to watch my team.
Our neighbours, United, have been grabbing all the headlines for the last seven or eight years, so I know exactly what all Evertonians have had to put up with over the last decade. On current form, Everton are looking good to land another trophy.

From: Darryl Cookson, 28 Sycamore Road, Bilsborrow, Preston, Lancs . . .
I am 11 years old and a member of Preston North End Supporters' Club Junior Whites' Section. My second favourite club is Everton. I would like to write regularly to an Everton supporter from your Junior Members' Section.

From: Neil McGarvey, 19 Conan Court, Halfway, Cambuslang, Glasgow G72 7YU . . .
I am 15 years old and would like a pen-pal, male or female, of about my age. I have been following the fortunes of Everton for the past two years and have been delighted by recent successes.
However, due to obvious transport difficulties, I have been unable, as yet, to attend one of your games. I follow Celtic and this season, I have yet to miss one of their games in Scotland.

From: Brendan O'Neill, 124 Shelmartin Avenue, Fairview, Dublin 3 . . .
Following numerous requests from Everton supporters who travelled to Dublin for the UCD game, I wish to state that the Supporters' Club in Dublin has a small number of club enamel badges left for sale (at £2 each including post and packing). If the demand is great enough, we will order some more.

From: Richard Farrington, 33 School Lane, Berry Brow, Huddersfield, W. Yorks . . .
I am a 13-year-old Everton fanatic. The only trouble is that I live 60 miles from Goodison Park, so I find it difficult and expensive to follow my team. If anyone from this area goes to home matches by car or coach, I would be willing to share expenses.

From: R. A. Barnett, 43 Yew Tree Way, Churchdown, Gloucester . . .
I recently had a VHS video recording of the Charity Shield, but I accidentally wiped it off the cassette tape. I would like to buy a copy at a good price.
I would also like to get in touch with the Everton supporter, who lives in Longlevens, Gloucester, with a view to going to some of the matches with him.

From: Stephen Speed, Bootle . . .
I am sending this photograph (below) of myself. I am 14 months old and really looking forward to the day when I get my season ticket next to my dad in the Main Stand. He would be over the moon if he saw my photo in the Everton programme!



Kevin Sheedy strokes home the Blues' second goal in the win against Nottingham Forest at Goodison with Graeme Sharp, below, rounding off the scoring with Everton's fifth goal.

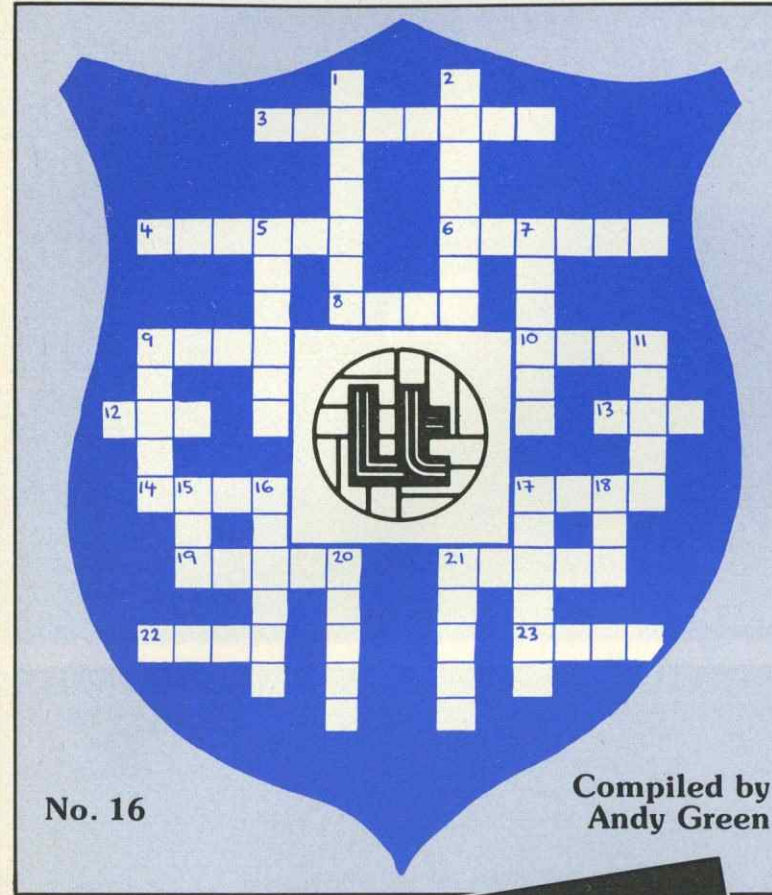


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PUZZLE PAGE



No. 16

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EVERTON CROSSWORD

Across:

3. Huddersfield's nickname (8).
4. See 21 down.
6. Dark Blues (6).
8. Walters or Hughes (4).
9. Worn on the foot (4).
10. Luton's Ricky (4).
12. Fight over this cake! (3).
13. Not Billy Bremner (3).
14. Mansfield's animal (4).
17. Trevor _____ — ex-Everton (4).
19. Blackburn's park (5).
21. This Robson is the Boss (5).
22. Grimsby or Mansfield (4).
23. Mid-way (4).

Down:

1. Racecourse club (7).
2. Ex-England striker at Leeds (7).
5. Rotherham or Sheffield (6).
7. They play by the Thames (6).
9. Birmingham or Everton (5).
11. European Cup Finalists in 1975 (5).
15. A Cup match to wear! (3).
16. Where teams play (6).
17. Bristol City's nickname (6).
18. For instance (3).
20. Saints' _____ Wallace (5).
21. (And 4 across). Forest boss (5,6).

Solution at foot of page.

QUIZ SPOT

Pre-Christmas winners will be announced in a later programme. Answers . . . No. 14 (v Nottingham Forest): Trevor Francis and John Robertson. No. 15 (v Chelsea): Real Madrid.

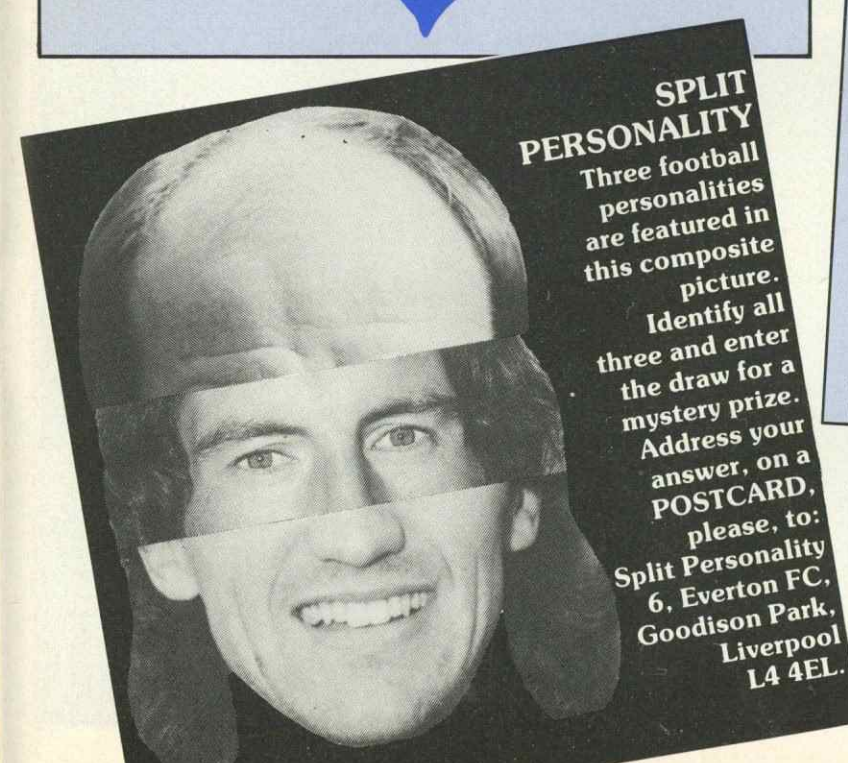
Here is today's question:

Who was our top goalscorer in each of the championship teams of 1962-63 and 1969-70?

Address your answer, on a POSTCARD, please, to: Quiz Spot No. 16, Everton FC, Goodison Park, Liverpool L4 4EL. The first correct entry examined will win for the sender two tickets to a forthcoming home League match.

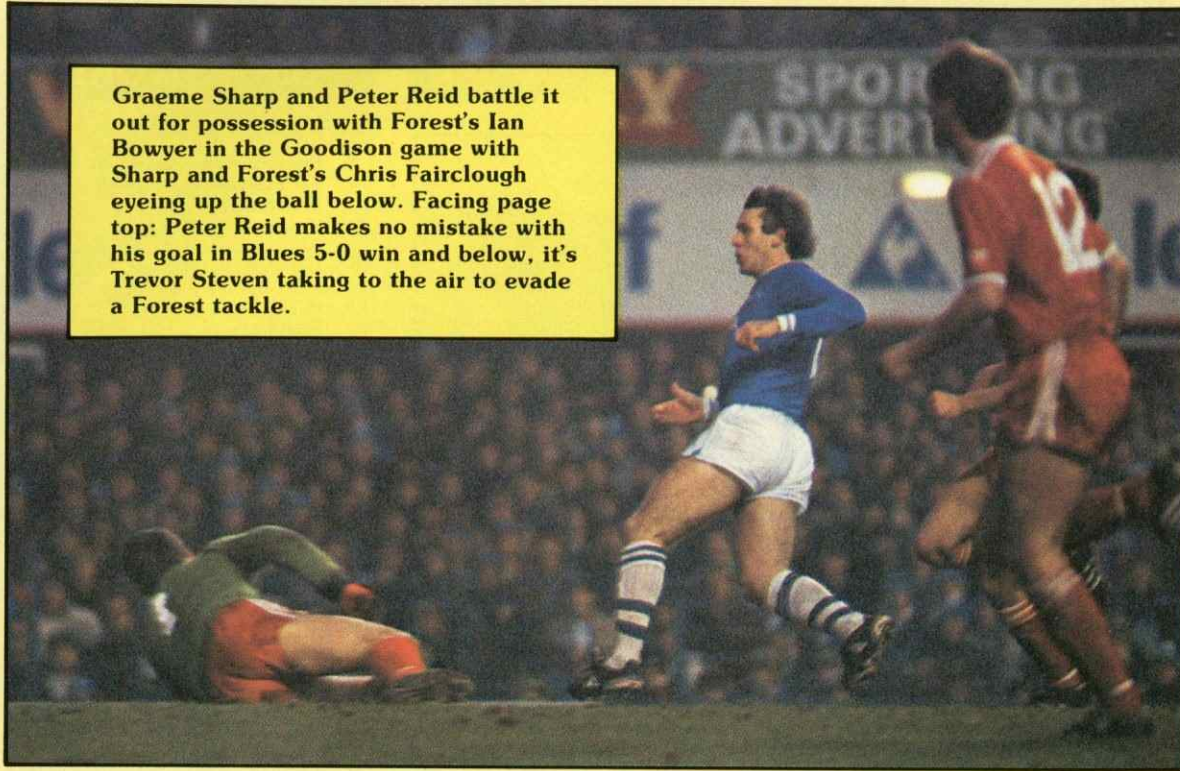
CROSSWORD SOLUTION

ACROSS: 3. Terriers; 4. Clough; 6. Oxford; 8. Fulham; 9. Blues; 11. Leeds; 15. Tie; 16. Ground; 23. Noon.
DOWN: 1. Wrexham; 2. Peacock; 5. United; 7. Stag; 17. Ross; 19. Ewood; 21. Bobby; 22. Town; 23. Noon.



SPLIT PERSONALITY
Three football personalities are featured in this composite picture. Identify all three and enter the draw for a mystery prize. Address your answer, on a POSTCARD, please, to: Split Personality 6, Everton FC, Goodison Park, Liverpool L4 4EL.

Graeme Sharp and Peter Reid battle it out for possession with Forest's Ian Bowyer in the Goodison game with Sharp and Forest's Chris Fairclough eyeing up the ball below. Facing page top: Peter Reid makes no mistake with his goal in Blues 5-0 win and below, it's Trevor Steven taking to the air to evade a Forest tackle.



LUTON

Mick Harford became the 24th player to appear in Luton Town's first team this season when he arrived at Kenilworth Road in a deal worth around £300,000 to his former club, Birmingham City.

That is a measure of the changes — some planned, others enforced by a crippling run of injuries — since the Hatters maintained their First Division status by finishing 16th last term.

Paul Walsh, the England striker sold to Liverpool for a reported £700,000, headed the list of departures during the summer. Brian Horton went to Hull City as player-manager, Raddy Antic returned to Yugoslavia, Kirk Stephens moved to his home town club, Coventry City, Mick Saxby signed for Newport and Trevor Aylott switched to Crystal Palace.

'This is the third new side since I became manager in January 1978,' said manager David Pleat as he began the re-building programme by signing Ashley Grimes (Coventry), Andy Dibble (Cardiff), Vince Hilaire (Crystal Palace) and Steve Elliott (Preston).

Dibble, the highly-rated Wales Under-21 goalkeeper, was only 19 when he went straight into the First Division and celebrated a debut win against

Stoke City on the opening day of the season.

Three other teenagers — Stacey North, Tim Breacker and Mitchell Thomas — were in the side in the early games. North went in at centre-half because Paul Elliott, the England Under-21 defender, was under suspension and the more experienced Clive Goodyear was lined-up to join Plymouth.

But the No. 5 position was to become a problem spot. The talented Elliott broke a leg in a Milk Cup-tie against Leicester City at the end of October, prompting Mr Pleat to venture into the transfer market again.

He signed former Everton defender Colin Todd (36 last month) from Vancouver Whitecaps, but after only three appearances, he was sidelined by a knee injury. Then Micky Droy was taken on loan from Chelsea, but he, too, suffered a bad injury, tearing a hamstring in only his third game.

That set-back led to Mr Pleat paying around £70,000 for Steve Foster, the former England centre-half who was transfer-listed after losing his place at Aston Villa.

At the same time, Hilaire ended his short stay at Kenilworth Road by moving on to Portsmouth. Then another close-



STEVE FOSTER

season signing, Steve Elliott, went to Walsall in a £150,000 exchange package which took the talented David Preece to Luton. Preece, barely 5ft 6in tall, highlighted his potential with outstanding performances for Walsall in their run to last season's Milk Cup semi-final.

Injuries continued to thwart Mr Pleat's hopes of getting together a settled side. Dibble damaged a knee at Old Trafford in November, bringing the return of Jake Findlay, who, in turn, was injured after only two games. Fortunately, Luton were able to call on last season's first choice, Les Sealey.

It was perhaps not surprising that Luton struggled defensively in a period of disruptions. After 10 successive games, in which they never conceded fewer than two goals in a match, they were trapped in 21st place at the start of last month.

Only four players remain as regulars from the squad which lifted the Hatters back into the First Division in 1982. Defender Mal Donaghy is an established Northern Ireland international, while midfielder Ricky Hill and striker Brian Stein have won England caps under Bobby Robson's management.

The other member of the 'old boys' group is winger David Moss, who reclaimed the No. 11 shirt after missing much of last season through injury.

Although Luton have been noted for their wheeler-dealing in the transfer world, they have always kept up a flow of

promising youngsters. Apart from the teenagers mentioned earlier, Wayne Turner, Frankie Bunn and Garry Parker have all featured frequently this season.

While it would appear that the side has some catching-up to do in the second-half of the campaign, the battle to maintain First Division foothold on gates of around 10,000 is a challenge which appeals to Mr Pleat.

He anticipated some of the problems, although he could not have predicted the added hazard of so many injuries.

Writing in the club's first programme of the season, he said: 'Whatever the past, we know that to have a successful future, we shall have to work even harder than before. Our gates do not give us sufficient confidence to speculate in the transfer market, and so we will fight and work to make our resources 100 per cent efficient.'

'The challenge is there. We would love more support through the turnstiles, but we are aware of the problems. We shall continue to enjoy our football and we shall aim to provide you with a season that will produce excitement and good results.'

Luton have also had a major change off the field. Denis Mortimer, chairman for nine years, resigned in November and was replaced by David Evans, now a highly successful businessman after playing professional sport, as a footballer with Aston Villa and a cricketer with Gloucestershire and Warwickshire.

Mr Evans said that his first job was to 'ensure the financial security of the club' while still giving the manager an opportunity to sign new players.

But perhaps the main issue is the proposal for Luton to move 18 miles long the M1 to play in a covered stadium at Milton Keynes. The need for a new stadium became evident when Bedfordshire County Council announced plans for a new road which will take away the club's car and coach parks and sponsors' suites at Kenilworth Road.

The prospect of the town losing its League club inevitably brought a conflict of opinion. Out of 14 alternative sites examined in Luton, the club found that only one was suitable for a new stadium, but objections from all quarters seemed to kill that scheme.

That was when Luton began to pursue the proposal to move into a multi-million pound sports complex at Milton Keynes.

LUTON TOWN STATISTICS 1984-85

Player	Birthplace	Previous Clubs	League/Cup*	
			Apps	Goals
Tim Breacker	Bicester	—	14(1)	—
Frank Bunn	Birmingham	—	18(1)	5
Ray Daniel	Luton	—	1	—
Andrew Dibble	Cwmbran	Cardiff	16	—
Mal Donaghy	Belfast	Larne	24	3
Mick Droy	Highbury	Chelsea (on loan to Luton)	3	—
Paul Elliott	Lewisham	Charlton	12	1
Jake Findlay	Blairstown	Aston Villa	4	—
Steve Foster	Portsmouth	Portsmouth, Brighton, Aston Villa	4	1
Ashley Grimes	Dublin	Bohemians, Man United, Coventry	11	—
Mick Harford	Sunderland	Lincoln, Newcastle, Bristol City, Birmingham	2	1
Ricky Hill	Paddington	—	23	—
David Moss	Witney	Witney, Swindon	16	5
Emeka Nwajobi	Nigeria	Dulwich Hamlet	5(6)	1
Stacey North	Luton	—	8	—
Garry Parker	Oxford	—	10(7)	2
David Preece	Bridgnorth	Walsall	3	1
Les Sealey	Bethnal Green	Coventry	4	—
Brian Stein	Cape Town	Edgware	24	8
Mitchell Thomas	Luton	—	16(1)	—
Colin Todd	Chester-le-Street	Sunderland, Derby, Everton, Birmingham, Nottingham Forest, Oxford, Vancouver	3	—
Wayne Turner	Luton	—	21	—

ALSO PLAYED: Vince Hilaire (now Portsmouth) 7(2) apps; Steve Elliott (now Walsall) 15 apps, 6 goals. * Includes League and Milk Cup.

LEAGUE RESULTS: Stoke (H) 2-0, Ipswich (A) 1-1, WBA (A) 0-4, Liverpool (H) 1-2, Southampton (H) 1-1, Nottingham Forest (A) 1-3, Chelsea (H) 0-0, Tottenham (A) 2-4, QPR (A) 3-2, Sheffield Wednesday (H) 1-2, Watford (H) 3-2, Sunderland (A) 0-3, Newcastle (H) 2-2, Norwich (A) 0-3, Manchester United (A) 0-3, West Ham (H) 2-2, Arsenal (A) 1-3, Aston Villa (H) 1-0, Leicester (A) 2-2, WBA (H) 1-2. MILK CUP: Orient (A) 4-1, (H) 3-1, Leicester (H) 3-1, Sheffield Wednesday (A) 2-4.

(Up to and including Tuesday 18th December 1984).



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PREVIOUS LEAGUE RESULTS

	Home	Away
	Everton's scorers	Everton's scorers
1951-52	1-3	1-1
1952-53	1-1	2-4
1953-54	2-1	1-1
1955-56	0-1	2-2
1956-57	2-1	0-2
1957-58	0-2	1-0
1958-59	3-1 (Harris J. 2, Thomas)	1-0 (Baynham og)
1959-60	2-2 (Hickson, Harris J.)	1-2 (Harris J.)
1974-75	3-1 (Telfer, Dobson, Latchford)	1-2 (Latchford)
1982-83	5-0 (Bailey, Sheedy, Curran, Heath 2)	5-1 (Johnson, Sheedy 2, Sharp 2-1 pen)
1983-84	0-1	3-0 (Mountford, Heath 2-1 pen)

Our last meeting at Goodison Park was on 15th October 1983:

EVERTON (0) 0	LUTON (0) 1
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EVERTON: Southall, Harper, Bailey, Ratcliffe, Higgins, Reid, Steven, Heath, Sharp, King, Sheedy.

LUTON: Sealey, Stephens, Turner, Horton, Elliott, Donaghy, Hill, Stein, Walsh, Bunn, Moss.

Our full League record against Luton is:

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Home	11	5	2	4	19	14	13*
Away	11	4	3	4	18	15	13*
	22	9	5	8	37	29	26*

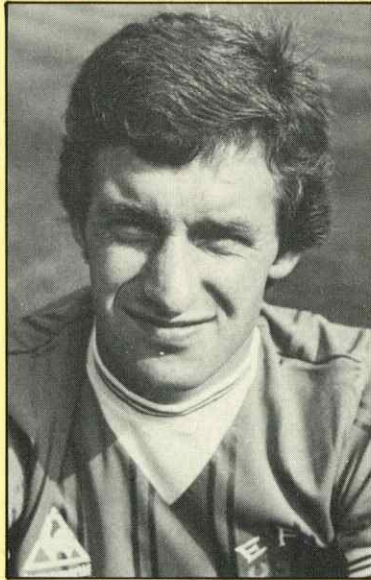
* 3 points for a win from 1981-82.

A Paul Walsh goal, 14 minutes from time, gave Luton a 1-0 victory at Goodison Park last season, but we later gained a full revenge when we scored a 3-0 success at Kenilworth Road, scoring all our goals in the closing 30 minutes.

It was two seasons ago that we scored our two best League victories over the Hatters. At Goodison Park on the Saturday before Christmas, goals from John Bailey and Kevin Sheedy put us 2-0 in front by half-time. That score remained until the final 20 minutes when Terry Curran and Adrian Heath, twice, extended our lead to 5-0 — our record League victory over Luton.

We also scored five times at Kenilworth Road at the tail end of the season and that certainly didn't help the Hatters' fight against relegation. After Ricky Hill had given the home side a fifth minute lead, David Johnson equalised in the 40th minute and Graeme Sharp edged us in front from the penalty spot two minutes later.

Two goals from Sheedy, plus another from Sharp, gave us a 5-1 win. Luton then found themselves third from bottom, a point behind Manchester City, but with a game in hand. Their First Division status was eventually saved when they scored their winner at Manchester City five minutes from time a week later.



KEVIN SHEEDY
Scored twice in a 5-1 win at Kenilworth Road in May 1983.

Many great players have turned out for both sides during the course of the various meetings between Everton and Luton and it was one player, who performed well in one of those games, who eventually found himself wearing first the Everton shirt and, later, becoming our manager.

Billy Bingham was already a famous Northern Ireland international winger when he joined Luton from Sunderland for £15,000 in 1958 and for just over two years he was one of the inspirations in their side. In 1959-60 he led their scoring list with 16 goals but this didn't stop the club dropping back into the Second Division.

During his spell with Luton, Billy won seven international caps and played for them in the 1959 FA Cup Final which they lost to Nottingham Forest. Everton signed him for £28,000 in 1960 and he stayed with us for almost three years as a player. He won 13 caps as an Everton player and, even after he dropped down through the divisions to sign for Port Vale in 1963, he continued to play for his country, eventually ending up with 56 caps.

A broken leg ended his playing career and, after a spell as trainer/coach, he took his first managerial appointment with Southport, leading them to promotion for the first time in their history. He later moved to Plymouth and, whilst with them, also managed the Northern Ireland team for a while.

He returned to Ireland to lead Linfield to the League Championship and in 1971 ac-

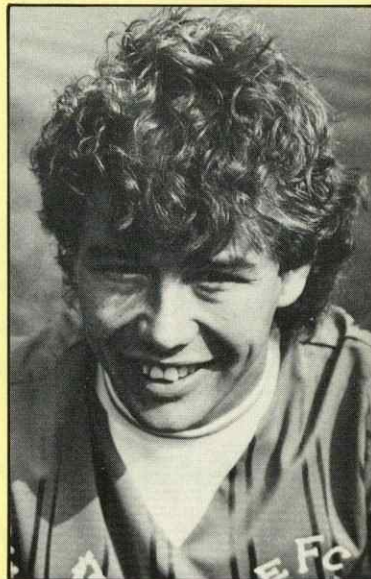
cepted the post as manager of the Greek national team.

Two years later he left that job to take over as Everton's manager, remaining here for four years. He later managed Mansfield and in 1980 he was again appointed manager of the Northern Ireland team — a post he still holds today.

A far more recent transfer transaction between the clubs brought Andy King to Goodison Park in 1976 in a £35,000 deal. Andy had been a Luton apprentice and had progressed remarkably well in his first season in their senior side. He played only 33 League games for the Hatters before coming to Everton where his career really blossomed.

Andy won two England Under-21 caps in his first spell with us. He moved on to Queens Park Rangers for £425,000 in 1980 and a year later joined West Bromwich Albion for £400,000. He returned to Goodison Park in a player-exchange deal in 1982, remaining for two seasons. Upon his release at the end of last season, Andy joined the Dutch club Cambuur.

Jimmy Husband was one player who moved in the opposite direction. He became a great favourite at Goodison after making his First Division debut at Fulham in 1965 and he went on to make 165 League appearances for the Toffees. Jimmy won England Youth and Under-23 caps (five) and in 1973 he was transferred to Luton for £70,000. He remained with the Hatters for about five years, leading their scoring list in 1975-76. By coincidence, he scored 44 League goals for both clubs.



ADRIAN HEATH
Two goals in a 5-0 home victory over Luton in December 1982.

Insight



INSIGHT, the feature which spotlights an opposing player, today looks at Luton Town's new centre-half, Steve Foster, with professional comment from Evertonian John Bailey.

The advent of a New Year is probably welcomed by Steve after a turbulent 12 months in which he left Brighton, failed to settle at Aston Villa and then moved to Luton.

Only two years ago, he was a World Cup player with England, and in the season after the Finals in Spain, the well-built six-footer was a flamboyant figure in Brighton's march to the FA Cup Final.

'He's always going to be noticeable with that headband he wears to protect himself from cuts,' says Everton full-back John Bailey. 'He's a big, strong type of defender, a battler who could give Luton a lift.'

'From our experience of playing them in the last two years, they have been a bit vulnerable at the back, so he's going to help them tighten up.'

'Like most defenders of his style, he does a lot of his good work in the air, and his heading ability makes him dangerous when he comes forward for corners and free-kicks. In many ways, he's like Mick Lyons.'

Steve played for Hampshire Boys and was originally linked with hometown club, Portsmouth, in the Fourth Division.

In those days, he was a striker, but he was firmly established at centre-half when Brighton bought him for £150,000 in June 1979. They had just won promotion to the First Division and Steve's debut for them meant he had played in all four Divisions of the League.

He was voted Player of the Year by the fans at the end of his first season, which also included his single England Under-21 cap. Ron Greenwood subsequently called him into the full squad in May 1982, and he made the last of his three England appearances against Kuwait in the World Cup.

Brighton were back in Division Two by the time he made the second move of his career, joining Villa last March for £150,000 plus the Midland club's £50,000-rated full-back Mark Jones.

An injury delayed his Villa debut for six weeks and he made only seven appearances before Tony Barton, the manager who signed him, was replaced by Graham Turner during the summer. His relationship with the new boss reached a crossroads when he was dropped after only seven League games this season.

In all, he played in only 17 first-team matches in eight months with Villa, who accepted a cut-price offer of around £70,000 from Luton at the end of November.

Manager David Pleat saw him as a figure-head character in a side struggling at the lower end of the table. 'At his best, he's a big, strong commanding defender, and that's what I'm looking to him to produce,' said Mr Pleat, who appointed the 27-year-old newcomer as captain for his debut at Arsenal on 1st December.



News Desk

BRITISH IS BEST!

A six-week stay with Everton gave New Zealander Matt Walker a close-up view of the standards at the top of the English First Division.

'It stands out that the game here is professional whereas we are amateurs at home,' said the University student who gave up his vacation to visit Everton on an exchange visit.

'The trip was sorted out early in the year when Rob Wakenshaw and Stuart Rimmer came to my club at Hamilton,' he added.

Hamilton, based in the fourth largest

city in New Zealand, won the Kiwi equivalent of our Second Division with the help of Rob and Stuart but had to turn down promotion to the National League.

'It was all a question of money,' explains Matt. 'We didn't have a good enough financial base to go into the top Division.'

Matt is a midfielder player with Hamilton, a North Island club from the Province of Waikato. During his time on Merseyside, he stayed in digs in the Old Swan area and was shown around the city by Rob and Stuart.

'I'm hoping to get a look at London,' he said before flying back home to resume his university studies.

'The people here have looked after me tremendously well,' he added. 'It has been a great experience training with a club like Everton. I have been very impressed by the standards at all levels.'

Matt is pictured (below) with Rob Wakenshaw and Stuart Rimmer at Bellfield just before he left for home.

IN SUPPORT . . .
Jim King writes on the latest news from Everton Supporters Club . . .

'We were all saddened by the news about Mark Higgins, but all at the club are looking forward to supporting the various Testimonial events that are to be held.

'We are hoping to stage several functions for Mark at the Supporters Club in the New Year. Details will appear later.

'It was nice to see one of our most popular members back in the club. Alec Stevenson is up and about again after his recent spell in hospital and, we hope, getting fitter every day. Alec played for Everton both before and after the War and was a much-capped Irish international.

'With the festive season here again, our Children's Christmas Party Committee held parties on the 9th and 16th December and will finish with a Disco for the older kids in early January.

'Our quiz team had a good first-leg victory over Preston North End in the Supporters Club knock-out competition and travelled to Preston with every confidence of getting through to the second round.



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'In the absence of our regular captain, Frank Kelly skipped the team, Ian Kidd, Aidrian Thomas, Bill Thomas, Jim McGrath and Robbie Kelly. Score (first leg): Everton 88, Preston 37.

'Finally, I would like to wish a Happy New Year to all at Everton FC from all at the Supporters Club.'

TEAM OF THE MONTH
Everton were named as Team of the Month for November in the award scheme organised by The Sun and The Canon League.

Normally, this is awarded to an individual, but the sponsors decided that 'due to Everton's outstanding form this season, the whole team deserves acknowledgement for this accolade.'

The £500 Canon prize was split equally between Alder Hey Hospital and the Save the Children Fund for Ethiopia.

GOODISON GUESTS
Two winners in the 1984 Liverpool Schools Environmental (Anti-Litter) Poster Competition are attending today's game as our guests.

Welcome — and congratulations — to Thomas Wong, aged 15, from Quarry Bank Comprehensive (1st prize winner in the Senior Section), and Gary O'Grady, aged 11, from Alderwood CP School (Highly Commended in the Juniors Section).

BEST GROUND . . .
Which is the best stadium in the country? Superfan Denis Maddams splits his vote between Goodison Park and Hillsborough after recently fulfilling a 30-year ambition by visiting all 92 Football League clubs.

Denis, from Rushden, Northants, completed the circuit at Sunderland, and then named Goodison and Hillsborough as 'the best-equipped grounds'.

A SONG FOR ELLAND ROAD
Memo to the Goodison choir . . . fancy a new song for the FA Cup-tie at Elland Road on Friday night?

The suggestion comes from Lisa Gallagher, of Bowring Park, Liverpool 14, who sent in the following lyrics, penned by her father, Tony, and to be sung to the tune of *Singin' The Blues* . . .

*Oh we always feel more like singin' the blues,
Cos' we always knew that we'd never lose,
That's why we're singin' the blues.*

*Oh the moon and the stars will always shine,
Cos' Mouny and Ratty tackle on time,
Our goalie Nev is the best in the land,
He can even catch the ball in one hand.*

*Oh we always feel more like singin' the blues,
Cos' we always knew that we'd never lose,
That's why we're singin' the blues.*

*There's Graeme Sharp and Adrian Heath,
Peter Reid he's the one with the teeth,
They say he's got a bite like a rat,
But we don't even care about that.*

*Oh we always feel more like singin' the blues,
Cos' we always knew that we'd never lose,
That's why we're singin' the blues.*

*Heaton, Kendall and Colin Harvey,
They are the brains behind Howies army,
They tell the lads just how to play,
And the blues go out and do it that way.*

*Oh we always feel more like singin' the blues,
Cos' we always knew that we'd never lose,
That's why we're singin' the blues,
That's why we're singin' the blues.*

PROGRAMME SURVEY

As we promised recently, we now offer supporters an opportunity to pass their opinion on the contents of this season's up-rated programme.

We would like you to mark each feature, out of 10, in the following chart and send to: Programme Survey, Everton FC, Goodison Park, Liverpool L4 4EL.

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What features would you like to see added? Please outline your ideas, as briefly as possible, in the following space:

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When the results have been collated, we will let you know which items are the fans' favourites and decide on whether any of your ideas can be brought into the programme.

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Today's Everton mascot is 10-year-old Christopher Hughes, of Whittle Avenue, Haydock, St Helens. The matchday mascot's kit is supplied by Le Coq Sportif, who have kindly agreed that it should be retained as a lasting souvenir of the occasion.

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