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# Watford v. Luton Town

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### Sunderland

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Stand tickets available from Box Office in Occupation Road priced £4.50.

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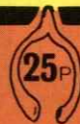
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"AN EXPERIENCED  
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I THINK that it is fair to say that this season we have seen an improvement in the strength in depth of the squad of Watford players.

Regular first team players have at certain times found it difficult to hold on to their places, and I am sure that given a little bit more time we shall have a highly experienced playing staff.

When that occurs we shall be in a position to challenge for a much higher League position than at present.

On the other hand we could find ourselves in a "cleft stick" of having to meet a higher wage structure, as we support a larger squad of "first team" players, most of whom will be experienced and worthy of a higher reward.

Unfortunately we will not be able to maintain that unless we can generate a larger income from every source.

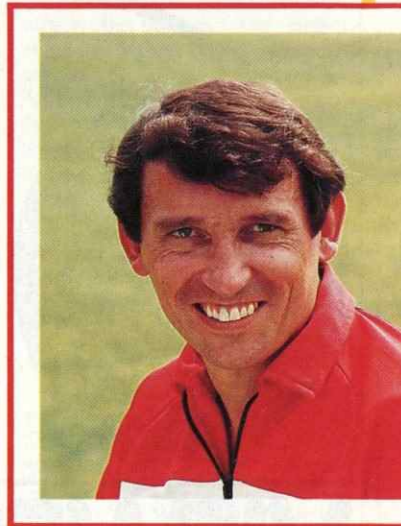
Over the seasons our cup runs have been vital in providing much

needed extra cash to support the very basics of the club.

I am positive that you will understand that clubs with larger attendance figures than ourselves, and some with less, have an advantage over us, because their income is so much higher than ours due to far more seats in their stadia (one seated supporter is equal to two-and-a-half standing ones in terms of financial income), and better social facilities.

In a sense it is a bedrock of so much of their success and in order to keep competing with them, we must do all we can to attract more supporters, and though it does not mean we cannot win, unless we do, it does make it that much more difficult to do so.

The opening of the Aldenham Suite, and the new office building which will have executive boxes on the top floor should show that the Chairman, Directors and Management are aware of how



much more we still have to do before we can rest happy that we shall have the facilities to generate the necessary finance to support a leading First Division club.

What I can say is that, irrespective of past success, the enthusiasm is still within the club to make us much better. There can be no resting on our laurels.

Best wishes

*Graham Taylor*

# Watford



# VIEWFINDER



## Taking a look at Watford's new scheme— "SCHOOLS IN RESERVE"



▲Children and parents arrive to a Watford reserve match and are directed to their seats by Mike James, Watford's schools steward. (Photo: Martin Wolmark)

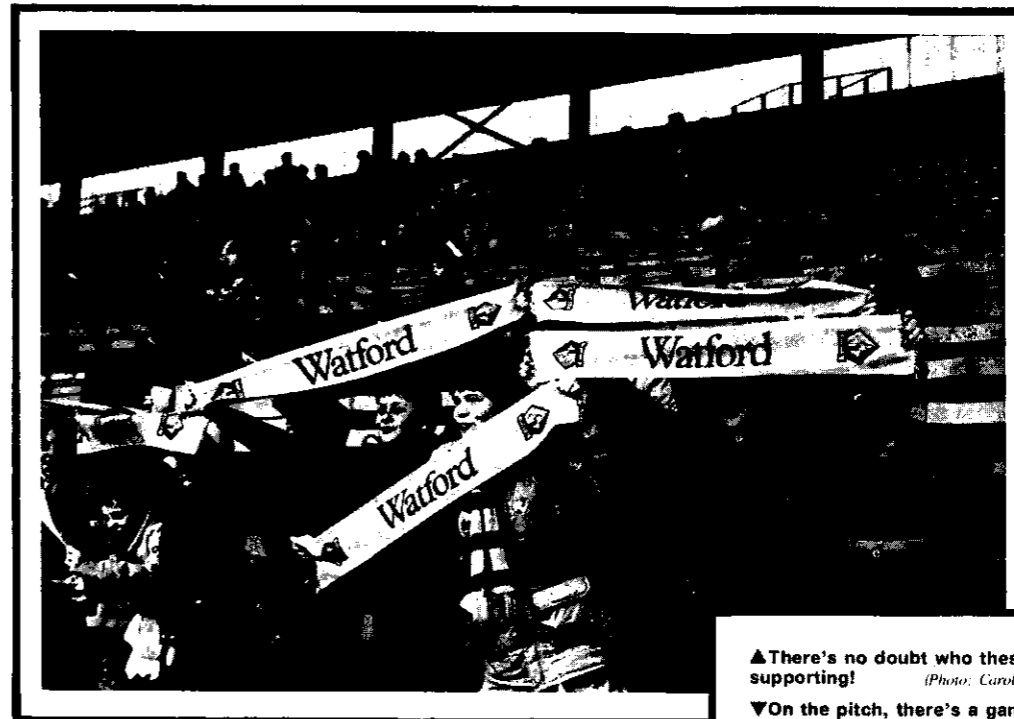
◀Also on hand is Mrs Ann Dorrell who runs an information and sales stall with her husband, David. The stall sells reserve programmes, Watford publications and official souvenirs. Ann and David are season ticket holders in the Family Enclosure. (Photo: Martin Wolmark)

"Schools in Reserve" is a new scheme started by Watford to introduce local youngsters to the world of professional football.

Under the scheme, local schools are being invited en bloc to Watford reserve matches, free of charge.

"We held a preliminary meeting with the local Divisional Education Office and got their full support," says Ed Coan, Public Relations Officer. "They supplied us with a list of local schools to approach. Then we simply split the schools up into groups of six and invited the first six for the match against West Ham reserves on Saturday, January 26th.

"We stress to the schools that we don't expect them to go to all the hassle of organising official school parties. They can have as many tickets as they want, and they can give them to either pupils, parents or teachers. Of course, the schools may prefer to ensure an adult accompanies younger children.



"And of course, one shouldn't forget the players. The noise generated by the school children undoubtedly urges the players on. And we want to give the team all the support we can as they challenge for a top position in the Football Combination."

### Invitation

The invitations are extended for Saturday matches only, and if you represent a school and/or youth group in the Watford area and would like to come to a reserve match at Vicarage Road, please apply to: Ed Coan, Public Relations Officer, "Schools in Reserve", Watford Football Club, Vicarage Road Stadium, Watford, Herts WD1 8ER.

"The A/B section of the Main Stand is reserved for the schools and there's a special schools steward, Mike James, to direct people to their seats. There's also an information and sales stall, run by Mrs Ann Dorrell. The stall sells reserve programmes and other Watford publications as well as official Watford souvenirs."

### Extra people

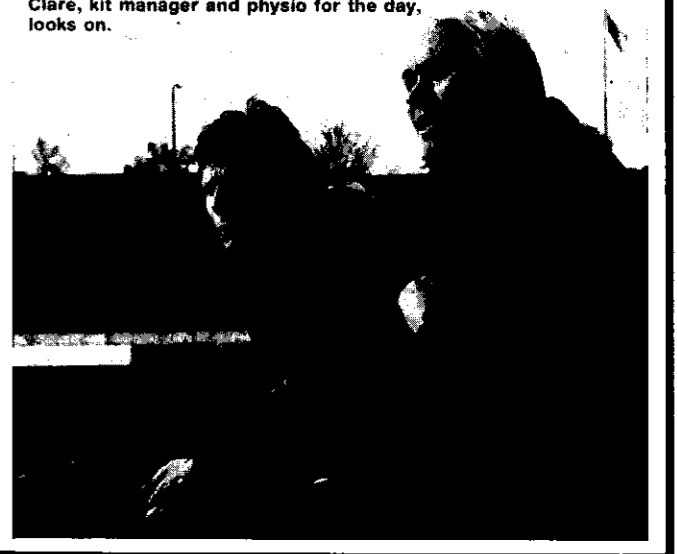
"Schools in Reserve" got underway for the reserve match against West Ham reserves on Saturday, January 26th. "We had nearly 500 extra people at the game, which pushed the attendance over the 1,000 mark for the first time this season," says Ed.

"The following game against Reading we had more than 300 extra guests, resulting in a gate of 944. At the next reserve match, on March 2nd against Bristol Rovers, we had another 300 guests, pushing the gate up to 956."

The scheme is simple to operate and has benefits for all concerned. For the youngsters and perhaps some of the adults, it's free introduction to professional football they wouldn't otherwise have. "From the club's angle, it's a chance to impress our guests sufficiently for them to return, perhaps to first team games. And by attracting youngsters, we're hoping to build up a body of well-behaved support who will continue to follow the Club as they grow up.

▲There's no doubt who these youngsters are supporting! (Photo: Caroline Gillies)

▼On the pitch, there's a game to be won and an anxious moment is reflected in the face of John Ward, reserve team coach, while Roy Clare, kit manager and physio for the day, looks on.



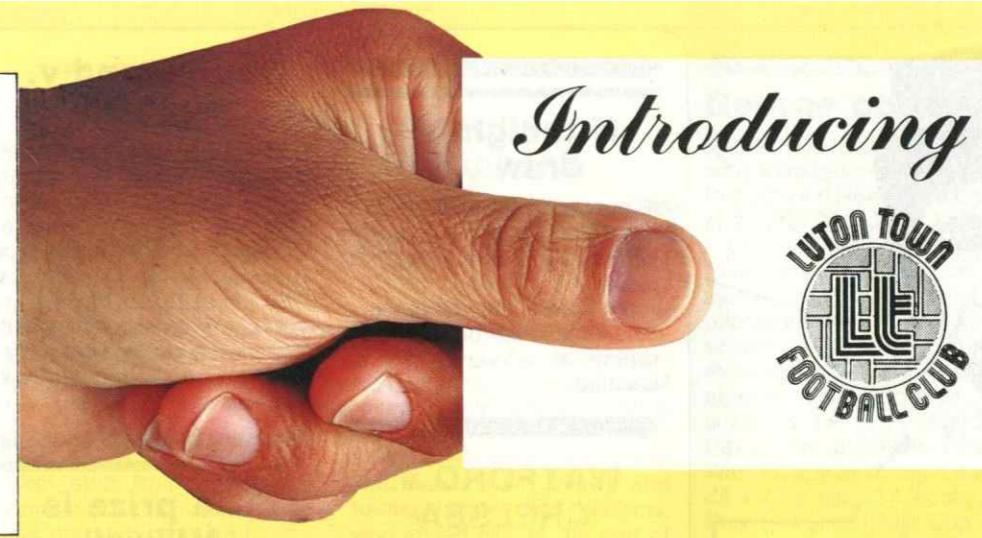
# LUTON TOWN

**Founded:** 1885. **Ground:** Kenilworth Road.  
**Football League Record:** 1897 Elected to Division 2; 1900 failed re-election; 1920 Division 3; 1921 Division 3(S); 1937-55 Division 2; 1955-60 Division 2; 1963-65 Division 3; 1965-68 Division 4; 1968-70 Division 3; 1970-74 Division 2; 1974-75 Division 1; 1975-82 Division 2; 1982- Division 1. **Honours:** Football League: Division 1 best season, 8th, 1957-58; Division 2—Champions 1981-82; Runners-up 1954-55, 1973-74; Division 3—Runners-up 1969-70; Division 4—Champions 1967-68. Division 3(S)—Champions 1936-37, Runners-up 1935-36. **FA Cup:** Runners-up 1959. **Football League Cup/Milk Cup** best season: 5th rd, 1978-79.  
**Record Victory:** 12-0 v. Bristol R, Div 3(S), 13 April, 1936.  
**Record Defeat:** 0-9 v. Small Heath, Div 2, 12 Nov, 1898.  
**Most League Points:** 66, Div 4, 1967-68 (equalled former Div 4 record). 3 for a win: 88, Div 2, 1981-82.  
**Most Capped Player:** Mal Donaghy, 31, Northern Ireland (to end 83-84).  
**Record Transfer Fee Received:** £700,000 from Liverpool for Paul Walsh, July 1984.  
**Record Transfer Fee Paid:** £250,000 to Birmingham City for Mick Harford, Nov 1984.  
**Managers since the War:** George Martin, Dally Duncan, Syd Owen, Sam Bartram, Bill Harvey, Allan Brown, Alec Stock, Harry Haslam, David Pleat.  
**Record attendance:** 30,069 v. Blackpool, FA Cup 6th rd replay, 4 March, 1959.  
**Record receipts:** £55,906 v. Man Utd, FA Cup 4th rd, 29 Jan, 1983.

**WATFORD v. LUTON TOWN IN THE FA CUP**  
 LUTON have knocked Watford out of the FA Cup on four occasions—all of them back in Southern League days. The Hatters were triumphant in 1898-99, 1899-1900, 1901-02 and 1903-04. But the Hornets came out victors in 1930-31 and 1983-84:  
**HOME:** v. Luton Town FA Cup Second Round, December 13th, 1930. **Score:** 3-1. **Scorers:** Watford: James, Wooliscroft, Barnett; Luton: Yardley. **Attendance:** 17,770.  
**Watford:** Hewett, Brown, Davison, Smith F, McBain, Woodward, Chapman, Barnett, James, Wooliscroft, Lindsay.  
**Luton:** Banes, Kingham, Hodgson, Hale, McGinnigle, Fraser, McNestry, Yardley, Rennie, Dent, Bryce. **Ref:** P. G. Arnold.  
**AWAY:** v. Luton Town FA Cup Third Round, January 7, 1984. **Score:** 2-2. **Scorers:** Luton: Nwajiobi, Stein; Watford: Johnston, Barnes. **Attendance:** 15,007.  
**Luton:** Sealey, Stephens, Thomas, Horton, Elliott, Donaghy, Hill, Stein, Walsh, Bunn, Nwajiobi. **Sub:** Antic for Nwajiobi (73 mins).  
**Watford:** Sherwood, Bardsley, Sims, Franklin, Rostron, Taylor, Jackett, Callaghan, Johnston, Reilly, Barnes. **Sub:** Sinnott (not used).  
**HOME:** v. Luton Town FA Cup Third Round Replay, January 10, 1984. **Score:** 4-3. **Scorers:** Watford: Callaghan, Johnston, Reilly, Barnes; Luton: Donaghy, Walsh 2. **Attendance:** 20,586.  
**Watford:** Sherwood, Bardsley, Sims, Franklin, Rostron, Taylor, Jackett, Callaghan, Johnston, Reilly, Barnes. **Sub:** Atkinson (not used).  
**Luton:** Sealey, Stephens, Thomas, Horton, Elliott, Donaghy, Parker, Stein, Walsh, Aylott, Bunn. **Sub:** Nwajiobi for Bunn (65 mins).



Back row from left: Mark Stein, Rob Johnson, Tim Breacker, Stacey North, Mark North, Gary Parker, Wayne Turner, Ray Daniel.  
 Middle row: John Moore (Coach), Emeka Nwajiobi, Frank Bunn, Jake Findlay, Paul Elliott, Andy Dibble, Clive Goodyear, Mitchell Thomas, David Coates (Coach).  
 Front row: Trevor Hartley (Coach), Steve Elliott, David Moss, Ricky Hill, Mal Donaghy, David Pleat (Manager), Brian Stein, Ashley Grimes, Vince Hilaire, John Sheridan (Physio).  
 ● Apologies, but no colour team photograph was received from Luton FC.



## HATTERS AND HORNETS—CUP TWINS

“WE’LL meet again” is fast becoming a mutual theme tune for both the players and supporters of Watford and Luton.  
 For, as in last season’s FA Cup competition, the two clubs separated only by a 16-mile stretch of the M1 have drawn each other and once again the tie has gone to a replay at Vicarage Road.  
 Last season, the fourth round replay was decided in extra time, with the winners going all the way to Wembley. But the more immediate prize for tonight’s victors is a sixth round home tie against Millwall this coming Saturday.  
 To reach tonight’s fifth round, Luton first beat Stoke in the third round, drawing 1-1 at Kenilworth Road and winning 3-2 at the Potteries in the replay. In the fourth round the Hatters won a home tie against Huddersfield 2-0.  
 Tonight’s Luton goalkeeping jersey will probably go to Les Sealey, who replaced Andy Dib-

ble when the latter was injured and has since continued in goal while Dibble, a £125,000 signing from Cardiff fights to regain his place.  
 At right back, two 19-year-olds have vied for the position. Mitchell Thomas was the choice until late October, since when Tim Breacker has taken over. In recent weeks Thomas has reappeared at left back, a slot also filled this season by Ashley Grimes

(ex-Man Utd) and Wayne Turner, who can also play in midfield.  
 Injuries have taken their toll at Luton this season, with the central defensive area seeing several players appear alongside ever-present Mal Donaghy. His partners have included young Stacey North, Micky Droy (on loan from Chelsea) and Paul Elliott, who unfortunately fractured his shin against Sunderland on Oc-

### A MAN TO WATCH



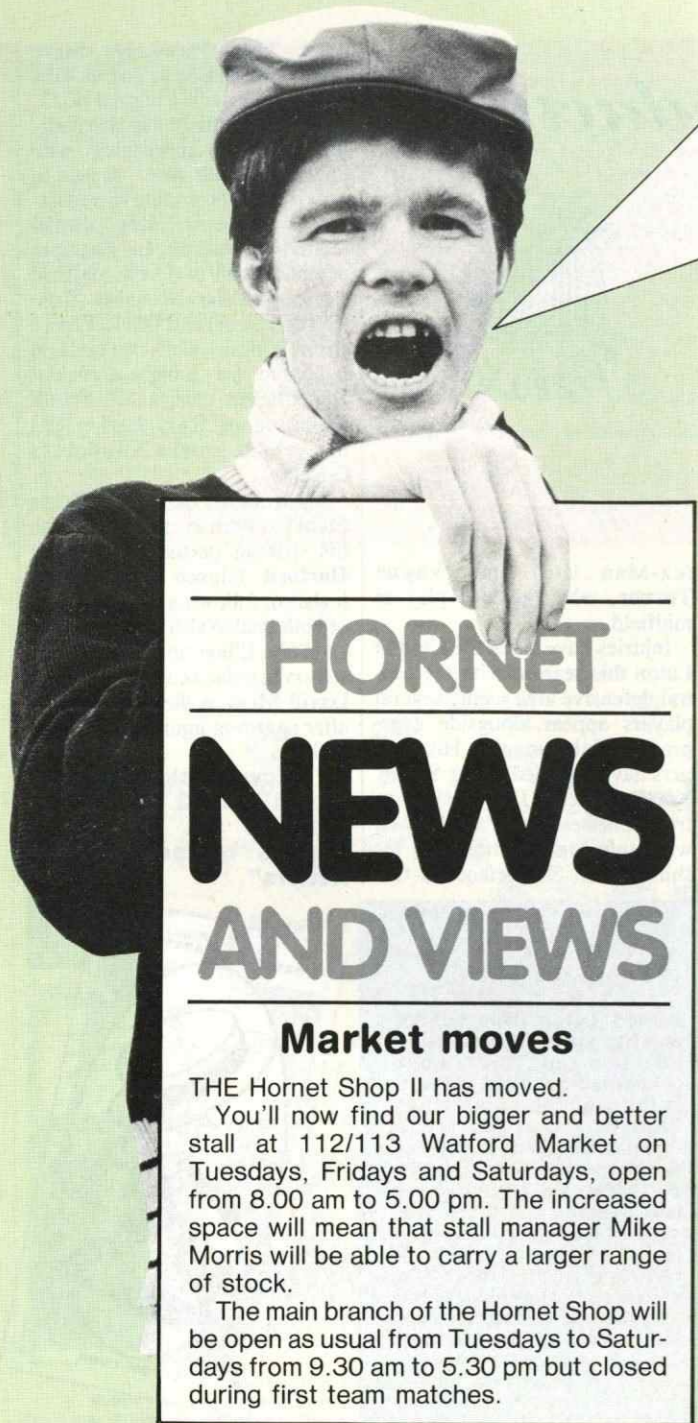
### RICKY HILL

Joined Luton from school and has since progressed to be one of the most respected midfield players in the country, winning two England caps in 1983 against Denmark and West Germany. A hamstring injury curtailed his appearances last season, but after pre-season outings for Swedish club Vaasteras, he is now returning to the form that originally brought him to the attention of Bobby Robson. **Luton record: Appearances: 335 + 6 as sub; Goals: 45.**

tober 27th. Nowadays Steve Foster, signed from Aston Villa in December is the regular no. 5.  
 Luton’s midfield has also many different faces appearing, with only Ricky Hill (see “A man to watch”) commanding a regular place. However, Ray Daniel seems to be asserting his first team potential with two new midfield signings—Peter Nicholas (from Crystal Palace) and David Preece (from Walsall), both cup-tied and ineligible for tonight’s match. Nevertheless there’s still Frank Bunn, young Gary Parker and the versatile Emeka Nwajiobi to call on.

Up front the dangerous Brian Stein has been ever-present, with his striking partner now Mick Harford (signed from Birmingham), following the departures of both Paul Walsh (to Liverpool) and Steve Elliott (to Walsall). This season has also seen the return of David Moss in the no. 11 shirt, after recurrent injury problems in 1983-84.  
 ● Below is a cigarette card issued in 1933 by Ogden’s Tobacco Co. It depicts Luton’s nickname—“The Hatters”.





# HORNET NEWS AND VIEWS

## Market moves

THE Hornet Shop II has moved. You'll now find our bigger and better stall at 112/113 Watford Market on Tuesdays, Fridays and Saturdays, open from 8.00 am to 5.00 pm. The increased space will mean that stall manager Mike Morris will be able to carry a larger range of stock. The main branch of the Hornet Shop will be open as usual from Tuesdays to Saturdays from 9.30 am to 5.30 pm but closed during first team matches.

## If tonight's a draw . . .

IF the teams are level after 90 minutes of tonight's replay, 30 minutes extra-time will be played. If it is still a draw after extra-time, there will be a second replay at a venue to be decided.

## WATFORD v. CHELSEA

FOLLOWING discussions between the two clubs and the local police, the above match on Saturday, March 16th, will now kick-off at 11.30 am.

## Fixture change

WATFORD'S home Canon League fixture against Luton Town on Saturday, March 9th has been rearranged for **Tuesday, March 19th, kick-off 7.45 pm.** This is an "all-ticket" match. This change is because March 9th is FA Cup 6th round day and either Watford or Luton will be playing in the FA Cup that day, whoever wins tonight.

## Watford v. West Ham United

THE above game, postponed on February 9th, will now be played on **Tuesday, April 2nd, kick-off 7.45 pm.** Tickets purchased for the original match are still valid. The match remains "all ticket" with tickets currently available from the club's Box Office.

## Sunderland v. Watford

THE above game, postponed from Saturday, Feb 16th because of FA Cup commitments, has now been rearranged **provisionally** for Tuesday, March 12th, kick-off 7.30 pm at Roker Park. It is provisional because Watford may be involved in a replay of a FA Cup sixth round tie in that week.

## The prize is Millwall

FOR the winners of tonight's match the prize is a home tie with Millwall in round six. If Watford win, the match with Millwall will be "all-ticket" and kick-off at 3.00 pm, this coming Saturday, March 9th.

## BOX OFFICE OPENING HOURS:

Thursday, March 7th: 9.00 am—6.00 pm  
Friday, March 8th: 9.00 am—8.00 pm  
Saturday, March 9th: 9.00 am—1.00 pm

**TICKET ARRANGEMENTS: Seated and terrace season ticket holders**—will be able to use Cup-tie voucher no. 6 to gain admission in the normal way.

**Category "B" seated season ticket holders**—as Millwall have taken their full allocation of seat tickets, Category "B" season ticket holders will be able to use Cup voucher no. 6 for terrace admission only.

**Non-season ticket holders**—only terrace tickets will be available, and these will go on sale from the Box Office at the times shown above.

## "All-ticket" matches

WATFORD'S next two home Canon League fixtures against Chelsea (Saturday, March 16th, kick-off 11.30 am) and Luton Town (Tuesday, March 19th, kick-off 7.45 pm) are both "all-ticket".

Tickets for both these matches are currently on sale from the Box Office in Occupation Road.

Seated tickets—to purchase a seat, you must produce a seat ticket stub from a previous home match this season. One seat per stub produced.

Terrace tickets—to purchase a terrace ticket, you must produce a special voucher or a ticket stub (seat or terrace) from a previous home match this season. One ticket per voucher/stub.

## Goodbye to Richard

WATFORD recently said farewell to 21-year-old Richard Jobson, who joined Hull City in a £40,000 deal.

In his time at Vicarage Road, Richard made 33 first team appearances (+3 as sub), scoring four goals. He also made 54 reserve team outings, scoring eight goals.

Hull is Richard's birthplace and there he will link up with former Hornet Neil Williams, who joined Hull at the end of last season, and Dennis Booth, a former Watford skipper who is now a coach at Boothferry Park.

We wish Richard all the best as he helps Hull in their promotion push from Division 3.

## George goes

IN the second of Watford's recent transfers, striker George Reilly joined Newcastle United in a £200,000 deal.

Signed from Cambridge United in August 1983, George made 59 first team appearances for the Hornets, scoring 19 goals—the most memorable being the winner against Plymouth in last season's FA Cup semi-final. Here's the breakdown of his Watford appearances: League: 46+2 as sub (14 goals); FA Cup: 8 (4 goals); Milk Cup: 5 (1 goal).

George's 14 League goals with Watford took him to a total of 96 League goals in his career and we wish him every success in hitting the 100 with his new club.



George Reilly—from Vicarage Road he's travelled north to St. James' Park and Newcastle United. (Photo: Martin Dalton)

## Ethiopia Fund

THE collection made at Vicarage Road before the game v. Leicester City (Dec 29th) realised £89 for Oxfam's Ethiopia Famine Appeal.

Many thanks to all who gave to this very worthy cause.

## Meet Watford's new Director

WATFORD has a new Director. He is "Muff" Winwood, 41-year-old Director and Vice-President of CBS Records in London.

Originally from Birmingham, Muff is a lifelong football fan, and first came to watch Watford some 14 years ago in the company of a certain Elton John.

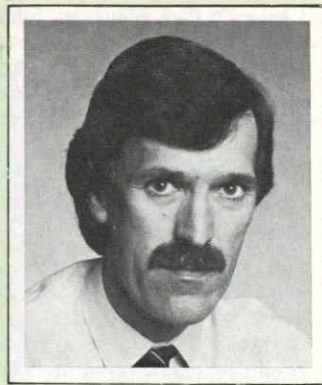
"That was before Elton was a Director," says Muff. "We stood at the Vicarage Road End and subsequently, as Elton

drew closer to the club, so did I. That's how things evolved and it's a great honour to now be on the Board.

"I've always been a believer in the philosophies of Watford Football Club. Now I'm proud to be more involved and in a position where in my way I can help perpetuate those philosophies."

In his role at CBS, Muff signs artistes, encourages and develops their careers and is constantly involved in their musical progression.

Currently under his wing are



"Muff" Winwood, Watford's new Director.

names such as Paul Young, Wham!, Sade, Alison Moyet, Shakin' Stevens, plus two bands currently high in the charts—Dead or Alive and King.

With his brother Stevie, Muff was a member of the Spencer

Davis Group, a successful band of the '60s.

"From Spencer Davis, Stevie went solo and I became a Director of Island Records. In the mid '70s I left Island to become an independent record producer, producing acts like Dire Straits, Sparks and the Bay City Rollers. Around 1977/78 I joined CBS."

With his wife Zena, Muff is already a familiar name on the list of player's kit sponsors. But where does the name "Muff" come from?

"It's quite simple," Muff explains. "My real name is Mervyn, but coming from Birmingham, that was pronounced by the locals as 'Muffin', which was abbreviated to 'Muff'."

Muff and Zena have two children—11-year-old Louise and Sam, who is eight.

## STEVE SHERWOOD

# PLAYER PROFILE



STEVE Sherwood's 11 first team appearances this season have enabled him to pass another milestone in his career.

He has now overtaken the 240 first team appearances made in the Watford goal by the legendary Reg "Skilly" Williams, and holds second place in the all-time list of appearances by Watford 'keepers.

Ahead of Steve in the list is Andy Rankin (305 appearance)—a man who wore the Hornets' senior goalkeeping jersey when Steve arrived Vicarage Road in November 1976.

"I didn't realise at the time what a consistent 'keeper Andy was," says Steve. "It took until the following April for me to

make my first team debut."

Signed from Chelsea for £4,000, Steve had been at Stamford Bridge since signing as a 16-year-old apprentice. "My development as a 'keeper was quite slow at Chelsea," Steve recalls. "At one time there were four professional goalies on the books—Peter Bonetti, Tommy Hughes, John Phillips and myself. So getting a game every other week in the reserves wasn't doing me much good. But I went on loan to Brentford towards the end of 1973-74 and spent the next season there—winning their 'Player of the Season' award. After that, Chelsea put a big price tag on me, and I started the next season in the first team, before an injury ruled me out.

"I then went on loan to America—to Hartford Bicentennials—and that gave me another good taste of first team football. When I came back, Chelsea's then Manager, Eddie McCreadie, was very fair to me. He said that it would be worth moving on and perhaps dropping a division or two to get my career going again.

"So I arrived at Watford, then in Division 4, and having got in the first team I shared the no. 1 shirt with Andy Rankin until Eric Steele arrived from Brighton in late 1979. I was then on the transfer list for a while, but I made up my mind to knuckle down and regain my place, while Andy left for Huddersfield.

"I suppose I'm in that situation again now—fighting to regain a regular first team slot."

Steve can now concentrate fully on that aim, having recovered from a fractured cheekbone suffered at Spurs last December.

(Photo: Martin Wolmark)



## MAGIC MOMENTS

"MY goal against Coventry last season was something you dream about as a goalkeeper, but when it actually happened it was a very special moment.

"Looking back, the best game I think I've played was away at Wrexham in Division Two in September 1981. We won 1-0 and it was one of

those nights that I stopped everything the opposition threw at me. In the April of that season came what I reckon was one of the club's most important games. We were away at Blackburn and after a couple of draws, we really needed a win to set us on the final run to promotion. I made some vital saves and we won 2-1—it was a crucial victory.

"I think the best I've played over a period was the first half of 1982-83—our first season in Division One.

"Last season's venture into Europe was very interesting. Unless you're an international you don't really taste that side of the game, so the whole series of matches was a new experience."



Steve's goal against Coventry last season meant he became only the 5th Football League 'keeper to score from his own penalty area.

(Photo: Alan Cozzi)



Hardly a "magic moment", but certainly an unusual photograph. Steve is seen with the frame that kept his cheekbone in place, while the fracture he suffered last December 1st knitted together. The frame came out three weeks after the accident and Steve has now completely recovered.

(Photo: Caroline Gillies)



## PERSONAL PROFILE

**Date of birth:** December 10, 1953

**Age:** 31

**Place of birth:** Selby

**Height:** 6' 4"

**Weight:** 14st 7lbs.

**Date signed for Watford:** November 26, 1976

**Signed from:** Chelsea

**Transfer fee:** £4,000

**First team appearances:** (goals in brackets). League 196 (1); FA Cup: 22; Milk Cup: 23; UEFA Cup: 6. Total: 247 (1)

**Goals:** 1

**First appeared for Watford:** v. Aldershot (Div 4), April 12, 1977

**International appearances:**

None

**Other clubs:** Chelsea (17); Millwall (loan) (1); Brentford (loan) (66)

**Playing position:** Goalkeeper



(Photo: Martin Wolmark)

# ACTION REPLAY



◀A neat feint and John Barnes nips inside Everton's Kevin Ratcliffe at Goodison Park.

▼Luther Blissett's shirt is much-prized—but exchanging it during the match?

(Photos: Mick Young, Watford Review)



## Canon League Division One

v. Everton, Saturday, February 2nd, away.

Score: Lost 0-4; Half-time 0-0.

Scorers: Stevens 2, Sheedy, Steven.

Attendance: 34,026.

IN an evenly contested first half, Watford had the first real chance when Nigel Callaghan's free kick was headed on to the bar by John Barnes, with Luther Blissett's follow-up shot blocked near the line.

As the half neared its end, Everton were gradually beginning to get on top and Graeme Sharp saw his effort hit the inside of the post and roll along the line before being cleared. Steve Terry then had to clear from the line as Everton pressed hard.

Everton took the lead on 57 minutes when a Gary Stevens shot deflected off Steve Terry and looped over the diving Tony Coton.

Six minutes later Gary Stevens scored again, this time with a low drive from the edge of the area.

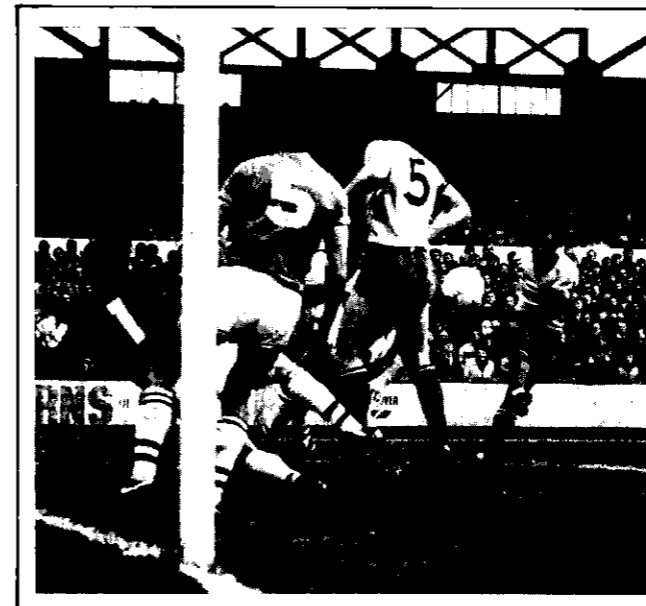
In the 69th minute a Paul Bracewell cross was met by Kevin Sheedy who scored with a low volley and in the 78th minute, Trevor Steven completed the scoring when he shrugged off Kenny Jackett's challenge and shot home despite Tony Coton's effort to keep the ball out.

It was Watford's heaviest defeat of the season to date and the first time the Hornets had conceded four goals without replay since bowing out to Sparta Prague in last season's UEFA Cup.

*Everton:* Southall, Stevens, Van Den Hauwe, Ratcliffe, Mountfield, Reid, Steven, Gray, Sharp, Bracewell, Sheedy. *Sub:* Curran for Steven (77 mins).

*Watford:* Coton, Sinnott, Rostron, Taylor, Terry, McClelland, Callaghan, Blissett, Gilligan, Jackett, Barnes. *Sub:* Lohman for Gilligan (66 mins).

*Ref:* G. Aplin (Kendal).



Above: Luther Blissett hammers in a shot, but his effort was cleared.

(Photo: Watford Observer)

## Public practice match

Yellows v. Whites, Saturday, February 16th, Viciarge Road.

Score: Yellows 3-2 Whites; Half-time: 0-1.

Scorers: Yellows: Barnes, Blissett, Sterling; Whites: Paris, Allen.

Attendance: 3,000.

*Yellows:* Coton, Sinnott, Rostron, Taylor, Terry, McClelland, Sterling, Blissett, Reilly, Lohman, Barnes. *Subs:* Williams for Coton (71 mins), Andrews for Reilly (71 mins).

*Whites:* Sherwood, Bardsley, Price, Paris, Powell, Jackett, Callaghan, Allen, Gilligan, Porter, Atkinson.

● The matches reported on these pages are now about four weeks past, but we're including them in the interests of reporting all the matches played this season. Forthcoming programmes will bring "Action Replay" up to date.

# ACTION IN RESERVE

## Football Combination

v. Reading, Saturday, February 2nd, home.

Score: Won: 6-1; Half-time: 2-0.

Scorers: Watford: Atkinson 2, Paris 2, Sendall, Price; Reading: Christie.

Attendance: 944.

A resounding win that took Watford reserves back to second place in the Combination table.

Paul Atkinson opened the scoring with a long, low drive midway through

# JUNIOR PLAYBACK

## South East Counties Senior Division

v. Portsmouth, Saturday, February 2nd, away.

Score: Lost: 1-2; Half-time: 0-0.

Scorers: Portsmouth: Russell (pen), Angell; Watford: Andrews.

Attendance: 87.

FOLLOWING their fine win over Orient in the FA Youth Cup, Watford juniors came back down to earth against a competitive Pompey side.

After a goalless first-half, Bruce Andrews shot the Hornets ahead in the 65th minute following a mix-up in the Portsmouth defence. But within a minute, Kevin Russell equalised from the penalty spot and with 15 minutes to go Dareen Angell headed Portsmouth's winner.

*Portsmouth:* A. Oliver, Miller, Ker-ton, Mulvaney, Angell, Daish, O'Connell, Russell, Taylor, J. Oliver, Roderick. *Sub:* Cox for Oliver (53 mins), O'Brien (not used).

*Watford:* Griffith, White, Reynolds, Gorr, Baker, D. G. Holdsworth, Walters, Davies, Sherwood, Doherty, Andrews. *Sub:* Lowe for Walters (40 mins), Asere (not used).

N.B. Watford scores are given first in scorelines on these pages and teams are reproduced in 1-12 order.

● Thanks to Robert Smith for his help in compiling these pages.

the first half, with Alan Paris adding a second before half-time. Richard Sendall made it three six minutes after the interval and Neil Price quickly added a fourth. Paul Atkinson and Alan Paris both added their second goals before the end, before Derek Christie netted for the visitors.

The game saw Paul Franklin's first outing for three months, and after a 45 minute run-out, he was substituted by Cliff Powell.

*Watford:* Sherwood, Bardsley, Price, Paris, Jobson, Franklin, Pullan, Allen, Sendall, Porter, Atkinson. *Sub:* Powell for Franklin (half-time).

*Reading:* Sperring, Sindlay, Head, O'Leary, Staker, Foster, Matthews, Roberts, Hamer, Collier, Christie. *Sub:* Jones (not used).

v. Portsmouth, Tuesday, February 5th, away.

Score: Drew 2-2; Half-time: 0-1.

Scorers: Portsmouth: Sugrue

(pen), Biley; Watford: Bardsley, Richardson.

Attendance: 1,061.

TWO magnificent saves from Steve Sherwood in the dying seconds ensured Watford a point against a very lively as well as physical Portsmouth side.

Portsmouth went ahead in the 22nd minute with a penalty, awarded for an alleged foul by Neil Price, and converted by Paul Sugrue.

David Bardsley equalised in the 54th minute with a glancing header, before Portsmouth regained the lead after 71 mins through Alan Biley.

With defeat looming Ian Richardson popped up with an equaliser in the 87th minute before Steve Sherwood's heroics secured a valuable point.

*Portsmouth:* Gosney, Money, Sandford, Thomas, Waldron, Ball, Stanley, Tait, Bamber, Biley, Sugrue. *Sub:* Stroud (not used).

*Watford:* Sherwood, Paris, Price, Atkinson, Powell, Bardsley, Sterling, Richardson, Sendall, Lohman, Porter. *Sub:* Allen for Paris (81 mins).



# IN RESERVE

## Watford Juniors 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 Subs

Month	Match	Score	Opposition	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	Subs
SEPTEMBER	1 Fulham	D 1-1	80E Griffith	Dawson	Plummer	Kidd*	Holdsworth D. G.	Powell	Holdsworth D. C.	Allen	Sendall	Osmond1*	Andrews	Gridelet ● / Perks ●	
	8 Gillingham	D 1-1	60E Griffith	Dawson	Rumble	Allen1	Holdsworth D. G.	Gridelet	Walker	Sendall	Holdsworth*	Plummer	Perks	Sherwood ● / Pinnock	
	15 Ipswich	D 4-4	80E Griffith	Dawson	Pullan	Kidd	Holdsworth D. G.	Gridelet1	Walker*	Holdsworth1 D. C.	Perks1	Steadman	Andrews1	Sherwood ● / Lowe	
OCTOBER	6 Orient	L 1-3	45E Griffith	Dawson	Powell	Pullan	Holdsworth D. G.	Gridelet	Holdsworth* D. C.	Allen1	Sendall	Steadman	Andrews*	Sherwood ● / Cacciapuoti ●	
	13 Portsmouth	W 3-2	40E Griffith	Lowe	White	Darling2	Dawson	Gridelet	Walker	Sherwood D. C.	Holdsworth1 D. C.	Andrews	Murray*	Cacciapuoti ● / Hall	
	20 QPR	D 3-3	25E Griffith	Dawson	White	Pullan	Hamer	Gridelet	Walker1	Allen1	Sherwood	Andrews*	Darling1	Holdsworth D. C. ● / Cacciapuoti	
NOVEMBER	3 Tottenham	L 1-6	85E Griffith	Dawson	White	Pullan	Holdsworth D. G.	Gridelet	Walker1	Doherty	Sendall	Sherwood*	Andrews*	Cacciapuoti ● / Holdsworth D. C. ●	
	10 West Ham	L 1-2	35E Griffith	Cooper	Scawthorn	Pullan	Holdsworth D. G.	Powell	Walker*	Allen1	Sendall	Harwick*	Andrews	Sherwood ● / Holdsworth D. C. ●	
	17 Norwich	L 4-6	N/A Griffith	White	Powell	Pullan	Hamer*	Holdsworth D. G.	Walker*	Allen1	Sendall2	Rumble	Andrews1	Darling ● / Holdsworth D. C. ●	
DECEMBER	1 Arsenal	W 2-0	40E Griffith	Hamer*	Rumble	Pullan	Holdsworth D. G.	Powell	Allen	Doherty*	Holdsworth2 D. C.	Sherwood	Andrews	White ● / Davies ●	
	5 Woking (FAYC-2)	W 2-1	174 Griffith	White	Rumble	Lowe	Hamer	Powell	Sendall	Allen2	Holdsworth D. C.	Sherwood	Andrews	Darling	
	8 Cambridge	W 5-0	30E Griffith	White	Rumble	Pullan	Holdsworth D. G.	Baker	Andrews	Holdsworth2 D. C.	Sendall3	Sherwood	O'Neill	Hall/Walters	
JANUARY	31 Orient (FAYC-3)	W 3-1	175 Griffith	White	Rumble	Pullan1	Baker	Holdsworth D. G.	Allen1	Sendall	Holdsworth1 D. C.	Powell	Andrews*	Sherwood ●	
	2 Portsmouth	L 1-2	87 Griffith	White	Reynolds	Gorr	Baker	Holdsworth D. G.	Walters*	Davies	Sherwood	Doherty	Andrews1	Lowe ● / Asere	
	16 Southend	W 3-1	20E Griffith	White	Rumble	Pullan	Baker1	Hamer	Holdsworth D. G.	Davies	Holdsworth2 D. C.	Sherwood	Walters*	Cardish ● / Lowe	
FEBRUARY	23 Tottenham	W 2-1	200E Griffith	White	Powell	Pullan	Holdsworth D. G.	Baker	Doherty	Allen	Sendall2	Sherwood	Andrews	Lowe/Hall	
	23 Bournemouth (FAYC-4)	W 2-0	319 Griffith	White	Powell	Pullan	Baker	Holdsworth D. G.	Holdsworth1 D. C.	Allen	Sendall1	Sherwood	Andrews*	Davies ●	

KEY SJFC: Southern Junior Floodlit Cup SECLC: South East Counties League Cup FAYC: FA Youth Cup



















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**Marc Cookson**  
28, Sycamore Road,  
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Preston, Lancs.  
*(8-year-old Preston and Watford supporter)*

**Lauris Fischer-Erlach**  
An der Au 28  
6368 Bad Vilbel 3  
West Germany  
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Loosdrecht,  
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*(23-year-old Ajax supporter)*

**Arkadiusz Chodak**  
ul Krynicka 26/13  
50-555 Wroctaw  
Poland  
*(A Polish fan of English football)*

**Robert Paterson**  
YMCA,  
12, Hereford Street,  
CHCH 1

New Zealand  
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**Patrick O'Connell**  
Gurteenroe  
Liscarroll,  
Mallow,  
Co. Cork, Eire  
*(12-year-old Watford supporter)*

**Michael Crawford**,  
8, School Road,  
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West Germany  
*(19-year-old Watford supporter)*

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Wisbech,  
Cams PE13 2RY  
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21, Dunstable Close,  
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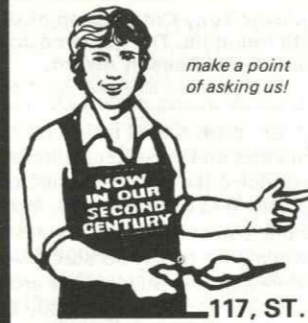
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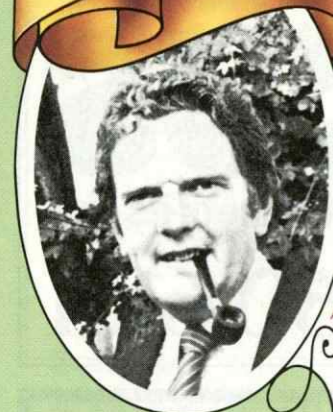
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# REVIEW



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# DO YOU KNOW?



**OLIVER PHILLIPS** (above), Sports Editor of the *Watford Observer*, looks back at the goals that have won the *Watford Observer* Goal of the Season Awards—and also great *Watford* goals scored before the Awards started.

WHAT makes a great goal? What makes a goal memorable? When it comes to the voting in the annual *Watford Observer* Awards, the fans are far more divided over selecting Goal of the Season than in any of the other sections.

Is a great goal the thunderbolt from the blue which nine times out of ten would end up on the terracing, but through a combination of circumstances, sears into the net from 30 yards out?

They are the most popular goals and invariably the televised goals chosen on the monthly football programmes are those unpredictable, spectacular efforts which are hit or headed with power.

The seven-pass movement which cuts the opposition defence to ribbons and finishes with a simple tap-in, rarely figures. One could contend that this in itself supports the view that goals are seldom scored as the result of five passes or more.

## Selected

Looking back over the last nine years of the *Watford Observer* Goal of the Season Awards, there have been so many goals at *Watford*, but of the nine selected, only one was a header and the rest owed much to power.

Perhaps the least powerfully hit of the last nine Award winners, was last season's spectacular by

**John Barnes** at *Birmingham*. That goal also had another quality not shared by the other winners . . . Barnes jinked between two defenders before unleashing his dipping, curving shot.

But the predecessors in the Goal of the Season Award were mainly won by fierce shots. **Nigel Callaghan** cut in and fired in a long-range televised goal at *West Bromwich* for the 1983 Award and the previous year he hit a phenomenal goal at *Newcastle* on the opening day of the season, volleying powerfully into the net.

Prior to that, **Malcolm Poskett** won the Award in 1981 for rifling in a great 25-yard effort against *Coventry* in the League Cup. In 1980 **Wilf Rostron** won



**John Barnes** sends a dipping drive over **Tony Coton** (then of *Birmingham*) in last season's FA Cup 6th round tie. The goal won John the 1983-84 *Watford Observer* Goal of the Season Award.

(Photo: *Birmingham Post & Mail*)

with a televised goal, this hit with the outside of his foot at *West Ham*. The goal had a short-passing sequence in the build-up but the goal itself came as a shock to all.

The one exception to the "fierce shot" rule won the 1979 award . . . **Luther Blissett's** goal against *Manchester United* . . . the

header which gave the *Hornets* their first-ever win over *United*. Was it a spectacular header or did it win the Award because of the significance of the goal?

It was a good header but I would suggest that had it been scored against *Crewe* at *Vicarage Road*, it would not have polled so many votes. For example, **George Reilly's** goal at *Villa Park* which put the *Hornets* in their first-ever FA Cup Final, was not the greatest of nettings. But few *Watford* fans will ever forget that goal. It was made memorable by the occasion.

Similarly **Keith Mercer** almost won the Goal of the Season Award with a goal against *Huddersfield* in 1977. It was an or-



**Charlie Livesey** blasts the ball home to complete a marvellous solo run against *Oldham* in February, 1964,

(Photo: *Watford Observer*)

That made it memorable.

**Ross Jenkins** however pipped him with a volleyed effort against *Crewe* . . . an unusual type of goal for the big striker at that time. That was in 1977 but as *Watford* won promotion from Division 4, **Bobby Downes** won the Award for a similar volleyed shot against *Aldershot*.

And the very first Goal of the Season winner at *Watford* was won by **Dennis Bond**, who on receiving a throw-in, turned and drilled a low angled shot into the far corner of the net from 25 yards out.

Before that *Bond* goal against *Exeter*, there were no annual awards for goals at *Vicarage Road*. But when you look at the list of goalscorers and try to recall a specific goal . . . the one quality which comes through is power.

It was the power of **Cliff Holton's** shooting; the sheer strength of **Len Dunderdale's** shot and older fans assure me that **Leftie McPherson's** size 4½ left-foot was devastating.

**Barry Endean** accelerated to

score a last minute winner against *Leicester* to end up fifth in *ITV's* Goal of the Season Award back in 1970, but personally I remember him best for a fulminating shot against *Hartlepool* the previous year.

Best of that era in my books was **Terry Garbett's** volleyed 30-yard effort at *Tranmere* during promotion year. A driven cross was volleyed clear by a *Rovers'* defender so the ball had gathered some pace by the time it was met in turn by *Garbett's* volley.

But then there were some driven efforts from **Tom Walley's** powerful left-peg; **Barry Dyson's** spectacular brace at *Eastville* in his first *Watford* appearance and perhaps even better, a 30-yard goal against *Torquay* which was also featured on television.

Still further back, well, before my time, people used to rave about a **Tommy Barnett** goal scored in the 1938-39 campaign when he dummied an opponent with a neat feint on the halfway line and beat two more, pushing the ball to the right and passing

them on the left before finishing with a shot inside the box.

**Arthur Wooliscroft**, a contemporary of **Tommy Barnett's** was an easy-going player who dribbled one spectacular afternoon against *Torquay* and came up the dead-ball line, beating man after man before slotting it home and upstaging four-goal *Barnett* in 1930.

**Cliff Holton** at *Sheffield United* and home to *Birmingham* in that memorable Cup run in 1960, had two superb contenders for all-time goals. **Tommy Harmer**, perhaps the most brilliant ball-player ever seen in *Watford's* colours, scored a few memorable free-kicks and made a similar run to *Wooliscroft's* one night in a Cup-tie at *Griffin Park*.

But if really pushed to name the two finest goals I have ever seen at *Vicarage Road*, I would name one from 1964 and one from 1967 and neither owed much to power. They were both solo goals.

The first was against *Oldham* one February afternoon when **Charlie Livesey** collected the ball

near the half-way line, turned, fainted and lost **Jimmy Frizzell**, dummied and dribbled past **Alan Williams** (later of *Watford*), **McCall** and **Marshall**, while **Jimmy MacAneaney** ran unmarked on his left. After beating four men in a near 50 yard run, he hit a left-foot shot past **Bollands** and I can still see it going in the net.

Three years later, **Stewart Scullion** gathered the ball on the left against a well-beaten *Notts County* side. He moved past four men and then a fifth before being thwarted by *Stockport's* 'keeper **Ogley**. The 'keeper threw the ball out to the bemused right-back at the *Rookery End* while *Scullion* scuttled back, dispossessed the defender and promptly beat all five again before shooting past *Ogley* into the net.

If you did not see that goal, then I am sure you would have been told that *Ogley* was applauding *Scullion* as the winger homed in on goal. Sorry to spoil the illusion . . . he dived for the ball first and clapped afterwards—but legend never lets the facts get in the way of a good story.



**Stewart Scullion** leads a trail of havoc (left), before slotting past *Stockport* 'keeper **Ogley** in 1967 (above).

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