

## Luton 1, Tottenham 1

A LAST MINUTE goal by England Under-21 striker Mike Newell salvaged a deserved point for Luton from an entertaining and incident-packed match at Kenilworth Road yesterday, writes Robert Alexander.

Newell, one of three Luton players who represented Young England in Italy last Wednesday, equalised with a splendid header at the far post from a Johnson cross and after Hill had sent him clear with a pass beyond the Spurs defence.

It was Newell's 25th goal of the season and fair reward for an energetic performance after Spurs had stolen a 19th-minute lead with a beautifully taken goal from Clive Allen. Allen, reacting first to a Clemence clearance which bounced over Foster, met the ball with a clinical volley beyond Sealey from 20 yards.

Luton, with Brian Stein making a tentative return after injury, pressed hard and gained the initiative, but were unable to make the most of their chances, with Harford, in particular, suffering in front of goal.

With England manager Bobby Robson in the stand, Harford fluffed an opening from a Stein through pass, nodded narrowly over from close range and hit a post with a powerful second half header.

Newell forced a brilliant save from Clemence with the rebound and had several other chances well stopped before claiming the late goal which extended Luton's unbeaten League run to five games.

Spurs, with Mabbutt, Stevens and Waddle in good form, played with great determination and might have secured a win if Clive Allen and Falco had not been halted by Johnson in second half breaks.

**Luton:** Sealy; Johnson, Thomas; Nicholas, Foster, Donaghy; Hill, B. Stein, Harford, Newell, Preece.

**Tottenham:** Clemence; P. Allen, Hughton; Mabbutt, Miller, Stevens; Chiedozie, Falco, Calvin, C. Allen, Waddle.

**Referee:** R. Hamer (Bristol).