

A Wembley hat-trick!

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Kingsley's magic turns it for Luton

TEENAGER KINGSLEY Black set Hatters up for an incredible Wembley hat-trick.

The youngster's introduction with 13 minutes of extra-time remaining in Tuesday's Simod Cup semi-final proved an inspired substitution.

Black tormented the tired Swindon defence and just minutes after coming on, sent over a pin-point cross to Mick Harford, who set up Mark Stein for the winner.

And at the final whistle, the Hatters' faithful poured onto the pitch to celebrate the club's third appearance at Wembley this season. This time they meet Second Division Reading on March 27.

Swindon gave Hatters their toughest test for

weeks and striker Dave Bamber set out the Second Division club's intentions in the opening minutes when he clattered into Les Sealey.

Hatters took the lead in the 28th minute. Harford knocked a quick free-kick to Tim

Breacker and Brian Stein somehow found his way between a sea of Swindon defenders to head home the cross.

The fans were left holding their breath three minutes from the interval when Sealey raced 40 yards out of

his goal but failed to halt Swindon's Jimmy Quinn, who wasted the opportunity.

Swindon looked set to equalise eight minutes into the second-half when Mal Donaghy slipped and let in Keiran O'Regan.

But Darron McDonough, filling in at centre-back for the injured Steve Foster, appeared from nowhere to save the day.

O'Regan made no mistake 10 minutes later when Sealey failed to hold Quinn's free-kick and the midfielder fired home.

After 69 minutes Dave Bamber shot wildly at Sealey thinking he was offside but the flag stayed down.

Four minutes later it was Hatters turn to waste a glorious opportunity to take the lead.

Ian Allinson was brought down in the box by Bobby Barnes after Harford had forced 'keeper Fraser Digby to fumble the ball.

But Digby redeemed his mistake by beating out Harford's penalty and the game went to extra-time.

Swindon came close to taking the lead as the



● Kingsley Black . . . set up winner.



● It's all over . . . the fans celebrate another Wembley appearance.

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interval approached. Steve Foley volleyed a cracking 25-yard effort against a post. The ball hit Sealey and rebounded to Bamber who again could not finish.

Tempers flared six minutes into the second period when Grimes pole-axed Bobby Barnes. As referee Ffrangcon Roberts lectured the left-back, Jon Gittens stepped in and tried to dish out his own justice.

But the visitors still had a chance to level Stein's goal when Hatters' old boy Steve White was given space to head but Sealey pulled off a flying save.