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•Tough tussles: Mick Harford and Bryan Robson (above) and Steve Foster and Paul McGrath (below) show the determination which characterized the match.









REVIEW



Good evening and a special welcome to Burnley, who are enjoying a new lease of life after a great start to their fourth division campaign. It is not so long ago that they were one of the powers in the game and always challenging for the honours and I am certain they will be tough opposition tonight as we make our first defence of the Littlewoods Cup.

Owing to the printers deadlines, I am having to write these notes before cur visit last Saturday to Goodison Park. Any visit to Everton is a challenge, but particularly when you are looking for your first win of the season. With a little bit of luck. I know the lads are capable of beating anyone, but we do not seem to have had the breaks so far this seaosn.

No reward

In our last home match at home to Manchester United, for example, we dominated the game and I felt it was just a matter of time before we would be rewarded. But the breakthrough did not come and we were punished hard for it. I thought we had them on the rack for an hour or more and only lacked a clinical finish to make sure of a good result.

In that match I was encouraged by a lot of the good things in our play and only really disappointed by the result. We had some fine individual performances and the spirit was good. If we can keep our standards high and maintain discipline and a good attitude, our luck and results will change. Tonight, of course, is a different type of match as it is a cup-tie and we may need different qualities to succeed. Enjoy the match and give the team



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Write to: The Editor, Luton Town F.C., Kenilworth Road Stadium, Maple Road, Luton by Tuesday a.m.

Goodbye Brian

Dear Sirs.

There's no doubting that Brian Steins 'quick-thinking', tactical awareness and opportunism will be sorely missed by 'The Town' this coming season, but I must applaud Mr Harford and Luton Town Football Club in giving the player a chance to earn a 'golden-handshake' in the twilight of a superb career.

I'm sure Mr Harford will make this new enterprising midfield system of his work, althoug like most things it may take time for players to adjust to new tactics and requirements.

It's very 'early-days' yet to see whether the 'adventurous' 'four-men' midfield will 'gel', as all involved are very 'attack-minded' players. However, its reassuring that we have men with 'steel and bite' in their play in Darron McDonough and David Preece in the squad should the lads find it 'hard going'!

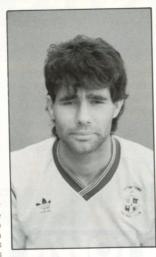
It's general knowledge that 'on his day Steve Williams is a brilliant 'playmaker' and I hope he settles in at our 'homely' club to drive us on to more silverware!

The pace and skill displayed by Roy Wegerle reminds many supporters of Paul Walsh. Like 'Walshy' and Graham French of two decades ago I'm sure Roy can be a real 'crowd-pleaser' - providing his final ball, be it a cross, pass or shot is more telling and testing for the

I, like everyone connected with Luton Town FC hope that the team will build on the successes of last season so that once again 'Harfords-Happy-Hatters' can feel proud! Kind regards

Geoff Evans

10 Portland Steet, Whitwell. Worksop,



•Skill: Roy Wegerle.

Canadian fans greatest day

Dear Sir.

I feel I must write and congratulate the team on their magnificent fight back to win the Littlewoods Cup.

It was doubly rewarding for me as my two nephews Patrick and Terry Dineen and their friend Paul Vickers had flown over especially for the game. The fact that you double the allocation for ticket applications enabled my son, a season ticket holder and myself as a member to get tickets for them. Although so far away they are keen supporters of the Hatters and try to see the Town when over here during the soccer season.

As a life long supporter of the Hatters and with a son and a grandson carrying on the tradition it was the greatest highlight for me and that includes the FA Cup Final of

One of my nephews, Patrick, got a mention in a Town programme way back in 1969 when he was visiting us and saw them play Rotherham or Rochdale. I'm not sure which, but it was in January, I think.

The Canadians went back home laden with caps, scarves and flags, souvenirs of the great cup win. Best wishes for 1988-89 season.

Yours sincerely L.A. Murphy

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with Les Sealey

Les Sealey was the most unlucky man in the Town squad last season when he played in all the Littlewoods Cup matches leading up to the final against Arsenal at Wembley, but missed out on the big day through injury. Tonight in Dressing Room Talk he looks back and forwards on the old and the new as we start out on a new Wembley trail against Burnley:



"To be honest, I don't feel anything very special about the cup last season anymore. I am just working hard for this season and trying to help us get over our poor start. We have had a very bad start really. I don't think we have played to our full capabilities, but it was the same last year when I don't think we had more than about 12 points after 14 games.

" And look at the season we ended up having! We are slow starters I suppose and this year it is also taking us time to get the new players and the team to knit together. It always makes a difference.

The team is still gelling together and we are still getting used to things. And remember we only lost the two away games by one goal. So, it is not a big thing at the moment.

"We have a few different players and a different way of playing as a result. It means, for example, that the back four have to play differently because the midfield has changed. It is not quite working out yet but I am confident that we have the players in the squad to do the job.

Fantastic

"The cup, though, could make a bit of difference for us although it is obviously not something I am treating specially myself. I



Les Sealey

cannot imagine we will have another season like last year when we played in every single possible cup match except for the FA Cup final – and we should have played in that too.

"It was fantastic and I cannot imagine anyone being able to repeat all that again at any club. We did not play very well in the league last year though and I thought we should have finished higher than 10th in the table.

"I think we need to be a bit harder. Harder all round and harder to beat. Two years ago, we finished seventh and only conceded 46 goals I think. Teams found us hard to play against then.

Clean sheets

"But of course you don't win anything unless you can score goals. And although that year we had 19 clean sheets, we ended up with nothing. Should I try something new – playing up front? I played at right-back in a pre-season game in Sweden and that was enough for me. The ball keeps going behind you there and you don't know what is going on! No thanks—I'll leave it to the other lads."

HAVING A BALL!



 Ready for auction: Vauxhall Bedford's Eric Fountain accepts an autographed ball to be auctioned after our home match against Manchester United.

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It is important to reiterate - since

Tonight we welcome visiting the police evicted several people supporters back to Kenilworth on September 17 - that members Road for the first time since our are responsible for their guests and should escort them to their against Oxford United last season. point of entry to the ground. This I hope all the Burnley fans enjoy ruling exists to protect our the match and, like our own membership scheme and should

Another very important rule to Regular supporters will know, of be respected is the ban on smoktonight as for all cup matches this obviously a very serious safety season is different from league measure. Our main stand is an old Children and Senior Citizens, for fire risk if people ignore the rule example, can watch First Division and smoke and drop cigarette

Dangerous

The consequences do not need to be detailed and, of course, our if we cannot ensure the stand is free of the dangers from smokers. I am sure all our fans and those visiting from Burnley tonight are Our main stand regulars may well aware of the common sense was attended by visiting fans as respect it. Just as I believe both sets of fans will demonstrate vet majority of English football fans.



•Man of the Match: Kingsley Black was voted our sponsors' star player after the home defeat by Manchester United. He is pictured with John Costin of Vauxhall Bedford.



• Commemorative picture: Our director Brian Cole presents Eric Fountain with a framed team picture to mark Vauxhall Bedford's sponsorship.



• Forecast winner: Mal Donaghy presents forecast winner Ian Batchelor with an autographed match ball.

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First defence

Hello and welcome to our first cup match of the new season against Burnley. Tonight, of course, gives us our first opportunity to defend the trophy we won at Wembley last April on a day we shall all remember.

But that does not mean we shall treat the match in any special way. It is very important for us to produce a good solid performance and try and record our first home win of the season in a convincing style.

Out of luck

To date, we have not had a great deal of luck in front of goal as everyone could see when we played against Manchester United, whose Scottish goalkeeper Jim Leighton had a blinder that day. I thought Mick Harford might have had at least two goals against another keeper.

Burnley, enjoying a good season in the Fourth Division so far, are sure to be full of confidence and give us a difficult game. But we shall give it everything as we always do and hope for the same kind of luck we had last season in the cup competitions.

Enjoy the match and give the team your support.

RICHARD'S BIG DAY AT KENILWORTH ROAD

•With the captains: Mascot Richard Day met up with England captain Bryan Robson and our own skipper Steve Foster before the recent home match with United. Richard is pictured with the captains and officials before kick-off.



UNITED STAND FIRM

Luton Town 0 Manchester United 2 A goal in each half scored by Peter Davenport and England captain Bryan Robson ended the Town's hopes of a first victory of the season here on September 17 when Manchester United, after surviving a period of intense pressure, won 2-0.

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Davenport struck midway through the first half, capitalising on a slip by Marvin Johnson and taking full advantage with a well-struck low shot past Les Sealey. Robson headed the second in the final minutes when the Town were heavily committed in search of an

But the result could have been very different if lady luck had smiled on the Town in the opening 20 minutes. Shots by Mick Harford, Steve Williams, David Oldfield and Kingsley Black all set the alarm bells ringing in the United defence, but none found the net as Scottish goalkeeper Jim Leighton showed why he was signed from Aberdeen in the summer. Harford, who had a brilliant game only three days after making his full home debut for England against Denmark at Wembley, was

Teams: Luton Town – Sealey, R. Johnson, Dreyer, Williams, Foster, M. Johnson, Wilson, Oldfield (Wegerle 64), Harford, Hill, Black.
Manchester United – Leighton, Garton, Blackmore, Bruce, McGrath, Duxbury, Robson, Davenport, McClair, Hughes, Olsen. Referee: A.W. Ward (London)

in the second half with a towering header which flew beyond Leighton but over the bar.









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 Beaten but unbowed: Another strong attacking performance went unrewarded against **United on September 17** when Scottish international goalkeeper Jim Leighton was in superb form. Our pictures show Leighton saving from Mick Harford, Kingsley Black trying to break through and David Oldfield supporting Mick Harford in another attack. Mick finished with a cut eye for his troubles. Pictures by Josh Levy.

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MAN IN CHARGE

John Carter (Christchurch)

An electronic technician, John is married with two grown-up sons. He began refereeing in 1971 in Bournemouth and progressed through the Hampshire Leagues and the Southern League to join the Football League list in 1976, as a linesman, and the referees list in 1987. He has been a linesman at under-21 internationals and the Football League Centenary Match last year. John enjoys gardening, bowls and country and western music.

SOUTHERN JUNIOR FLOODLIT CUP

Our youth team have progressed to the second round of this competition and will play Watford away in the second round at Vicarage Road on October 5, 1988. The provisional replay date is Tuesday, October 18.

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Ovenden Papers Football Combination Tuesday, October 4, 1988 Luton Town v Norwich City -Kick-off 2.00 p.m. Barclays League Division One Saturday, October 8, 1988 Luton Town v Liverpool Kick-off 3.00p.m.

South East Counties League Saturday, October 8, 1988 Luton Town v Bristol City Kick-off 12.30p.m.

2 PROFILE **DAVID OLDFIELD**

David turned down the chance of a £500,000 move to Norwich City in the close season because he wanted to win a regular chance in the Town attack alongside Mick Harford.

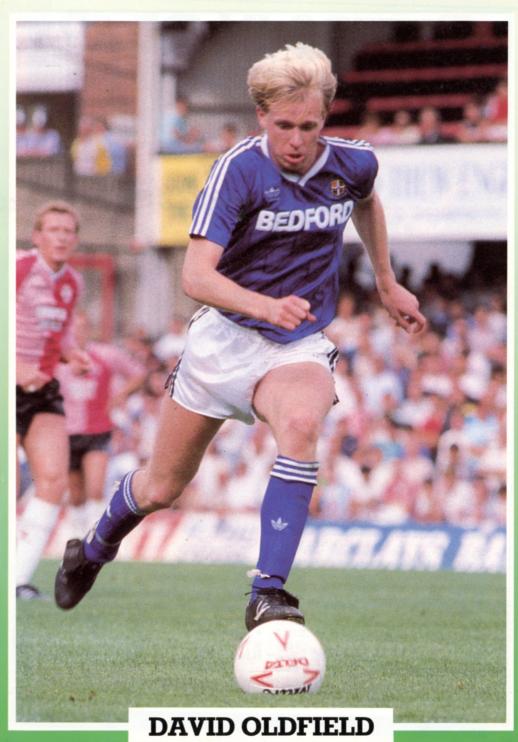
And he has done just that in the opening games of the new season as he added four league appearances to those he won last season when he burst on the scene with three goals in nine games.

Born in Perth, Australia, David made his mark by scoring twice against Everton at Goodison Park in a Simod Cup tie last season.

A strong-running, bustling player, he has shown great promise and is tipped to have a great future in the game.



• David Olfield: A strong-running, bustling player.



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I would like to thank all the parents for helping out in the postal strike by returning the Mascot and Escort forms and photos in time for tonight's game. They have been a great help.

Tonight's lucky Junior Hatters membership number is H0188090265. The winning member should contact Bev Tyler in the Souvenir Shop at Oak Road with his or her membership card, for two free tickets to one of our home matches.

I am trying to arrange a football match with the Junior Hornets at Watford on Saturday October 15th. This is the day that we should have played Arsenal at home. At the time of writing I am still awaiting confirmation of the match. It will be for 11 years and under, we will go and watch Watford play Brighton. I will let you know more details of this match in our next home programme.

Tonight, we give a warm welcome to Burnley and any junior supporters who might have travelled to Kenilworth Road to support their team. Have a good night and enjoy the game.

I hope to see you all at our next home game when our visitors are Liverpool. This should be a good game so arrive early to make it easy for everyone and gain a good view.



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RESERVE



• Playing with style: Kevin Shanley, with Paul Telfer in the background, passes the ball against Spurs in our recent youth team match.

SOUTH EAST COUNTIES LEAGUE DIVISION TWO 1988/89

	P	w	D	L	F	A	Pts
Luton Town	5	4	1	-	20	7	9
Swindon Town	4	3	1	_	11	8	7
Southampton	4	2	2	_	11	4	6
Colchester United	5	3	_	2	11	8	6
A.F.C. Bournemouth	5	3	_	2	9	7	6
Brentford	4	2	1	1	9	4	5
Wimbledon	4	2	1	1	13	8	5
Oxford United	4	2	1	1	6	4	5
Bristol City	5	2	1	2	5	4	5
Crystal Palace	5	2	1	2	8	8	5
Brighton & Hove Albion	5	1	1	3	7	9	3
Northampton Town	5	1	1	3	9	16	3
Reading	5	1	_	4	9	18	2
Tottenham Hotspur	5	1	_	4	5	18	2
Bristol Rovers	5		1	4	4	14	1
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SUNDAY MIRROR COMBINATION FINAL TABLE 1987/88

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Tottenham Hotspur	38	25	3	10	92	43	53
Watford	38	21	7	10	71	37	49
Norwich City	38	18	13	7	69	41	49
Southampton	38	16	14	8	76	46	46
Luton Town	38	19	8	11	76	61	46
Ipswich Town	38	17	10	11	67	46	44
Queens Park R.	38	18	8	12	68	54	44
Arsenal	38	19	5	14	77	48	43
West Ham United	38	17	7	14	62	52	41
Chelsea	38	16	8	14	60	54	40
Charlton Athletic	38	16	8	40	58	62	40
Portsmouth	38	16	7	15	64	73	39
Swindon Town	38	15	8	15	64	72	38
Brighton & Hove A.	38	15	8	15	58	72	38
Millwall	38	13	9	16	49	48	35
Oxford United	38	10	6	22	61	95	26
Fulham	38	8	9	21	48	91	25
Reading	38	10	4	24	51	85	24
Crystal Palace	38	8	7	23	38	78	23
Bristol Rovers	38	4	9	25	52	103	17



• Aerial action: Kerry Hughes is in the thick of the heads.

OVENDEN PAPERS FOOTBALL COMBINATION 1988/89

Date 1988	•	Opponents	Result	Date	,	Opponents Result	t
Aug	27	Southampton	3-2	Jan	4	Brighton	
Sept	6	Norwich City	2-3	Jan	7	Crystal Palace	
Sept	10	Swindon T	1-1	Jan	14	Reading	
Sept	17	Watford	2-2	Jan	17	Chelsea	
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Nov	12	Chelsea		May	13	Tottenham	
Nov .	15	Portsmouth					
Nov	22	Millwall					

Nov 30 Oxford United Dec 10 **Tottenham** Dec 20 Wimbledon

COACHES' CORNER





NOGAN GOALS KEEP YOUNGSTERS ON THE WINNING TRAIL

The Town youth team maintained their tremendous start to the season on September 17 when they won 3-1 at Oxford in a league cup tie despite a below-par all-round display. Kurt Nogan, Gary Crawswhaw and Mark Pembridge, with a penalty, were the Town scorers.

Nogan's goal took his tally for the season to 14 goals in only seven games and made him the club's leading scorer.

The Town's record in all games read: played 7, won 6, drawn 1, lost 0. Truly a very encouraging sequence of results!

Youth team coach John Faulkner reported: "We did not mount many sustained attacks, but we were always dangerous and always confident."

Oxford took the lead in the first half, but Nogan equalised with a superb individual goal. Late strikes by Crawshaw and Pembridge did the rest.

Earlier that week, the youth team won 4-1 at Cambridge in a Southern Junior Floodlit Cup tie with goals from Nogan, Crawshaw, McGonagle and O'Brien.

The reserves meanwhile continued their steady start to the season with a 2-2 draw at Watford on September 17. Sean Farrell and Ian Scott gave the Town a 2-1 lead before Luther Blissett grabbed a late equaliser.

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• Action flashback: David Preece and David Oldfield are pictured in action against Wimbledon at Kenilworth Road on September 3. The match ended in a 2-2 draw.



LUTON TOWN

Goalden Oldies

BURNLEY BACK FOR THE FIRST TIME IN NINE SEASONS TONIGHT

We welcome Burnley to Kenilworth Road tonight for the first time in nine seasons. Only Ricky Hill and Mal Donaghy remain from our last meeting on 29th March, 1980, when a goal from Bob Hatton secured a 1-1 draw before a home crowd of 8,507, writes club statistician Roger Wash.

Our first clash came during our first Football League season – 1897-98 – and we were unceremoniously thumped 4-0 by promotion-bound Burnley at Turf Moor. In the return a crowd of 4,000 witnessed the surprise of the day when the Town beat their illustrious rivals 2-0 with the goals coming from Gallagher and Donaldson.

Paths did not cross again until 1937 when, with both teams in Division Two honours were even over the season with a 3-2 defeat at Turf Moor and a 3-1 win here.

The win at Kenilworth Road saw Tom Mackey score two goals – a remarkable feat considering he had not scored previously in 180 league games for the Town. They were also to be his last as he hung his boots up at the seasons end to become Assistant Trainer.

"a happy double win in 1957-58"

A parting of the ways came again with Burnleys promotion to Division One in 1946-47 and it was not until our elevation in 1955 that we met once more although it was not a happy reunion with the 'Clarets' winning three of the first four clashes.

Our turn came in 1957-58 with the double being achieved – 3-2 at Luton with Gordon Turner scoring twice and 2-1 away with Turner again on the scoresheet to climax a run of four straight wins during which Sunderland had been thrashed 7-1 at Kenilworth Road.

The next season saw our biggest ever win over Burnley with a 6-2 victory at Kenilworth Road. A timely win as the supporters were not convinced that what was to be our 'Cup Final' team was the best combination. A hat-trick from Allan Brown, two from Bob Morton and a single strike by Dave Pacey gave the 15,753 crowd a chance to alter their opinion.

Following our relegation we did not play each other for League points until 1971-72 when honours were even once again but the next season saw probably the best game between the clubs.

A crowd of 12,197 and millions more on 'Match of the Day' witnessed a 2-2 draw that could have gone either way up to the final whistle. John Aston with a penalty and Vic Halom scored for the Town with Leighton James notching both for the 'Clarets'.

Burnley won promotion at the end of that season

with ourselves following a year later to suffer two defeats in 1974-75 at a time when Leighton James said that the Luton defence was "the worst I have ever played against".

The Town conceeded 65 goals in 1974-75 with Burnley letting in one more the next season to join the Town once again in Divsion Two.

Season 1976-77 saw the Town win for only the second time at Turf Moor with Ricky Hill (in his 5th game for the club) and Dixie Deans (remember him!) knocking in the all important goals to set up a season that boasted a nine-match winning run including a 2-0 home win over the 'Clarets'.

Both the Town and Burnley struggled in 1978-79 and the game at Kenilworth Road in April 1979 was vital to both sides but it was goals from Bob Hatton with two, Brian Stein and present day 'Claret' Steve Taylor that sent the crowd of 6,466 home happy.

Both teams survived that season but Burnley were sadly relegated in 1980 and have enjoyed mixed fortunes since including a near Conference place a year ago.

We have not met previously in the Littlewoods Cup but our paths have crossed twice in the FA Cup. A 3-1 defeat at Turf Moor in a 4th Round tie in 1934-35 and a 3-0 reversal in the 5th Round in 1946-46 after a 0-0 draw at Kenilworth Road.

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1959/60	1	-1		0-3		
1971/72	1	-0		1-2		
1972/73	2	-2		0-3		
1974/75	2	-3		0-1		
1976/77	2	-0		2-1		
1977/78	1	-2		1-2		
1978/79	4	-1		1-2		
1979/80	1	-1		0-0		
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Left-winger in action: John Aston, in action against John Gidman, scored from the spot against Burnley
in 1972-73

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INTRODUCING...

BURNLEY

Tonight, we welcome a Burnley side still unbeaten this season at the time of writing and eager for further cup glory after last season's Wembley appearance in the Sherpa Van Trophy final, writes Geoff Allman.

Burnley were founded in 1881 as Burnley Rovers, being originally a group of young men at the local YMCA who played rugby as well as soccer. The soccer element took hold quickly enough for them to become one of the twelme members of the Football League in 1888. They spent seasons 1897-98 and 1900-1913 in Division Two, but then enjoyed an unbroken spell in Division One lasting until 1930 with major honours either side of the First World War. They won the FA Cup in 1914 and after being runners-up in Division One in 1919-20 they topped the table a year later after a run of 30 games without defeat.

"long spell in Division One"

They then had a long spell in Division Two from 1930 to 1947, bringing this to an end in spectacular

style by winning promotion and reaching the FA Cup final in the same season. Those were the days of Jim Strong in goal and amateur Peter Kippax up front and they then spent 24 successive seasons in Division One. During this time they win the First Division Championship of 1959-60 and in 1961-62 were runners-up in both Division One and the FA Cup. By that time Adam Blacklaw was in goal, present day manager Brian Miller and Jimmy Mcilroy in midfield and Ray Pointer in attack.

They lost their First Division place in 1971, climbed back up again in 1973 and then a steady slide landed them in Division Three for the first time ever in 1980. They returned to Division Two in 1982 but despite reaching the semi-final of the Milk Cup and the last eight of the FA Cup in 1982-83 they were relegated at the end of it.

1983-84 saw them in mid-table in Division Three, but they were relegated a season later to land up in Division Four for the first time. In 1985-86 they spent much of their time in the top half of the table, but

Back Row (left to right): Arthur Bellamy (Assistant Manager), Neil Grewcock, Peter Daniel, Peter Zelem, Andy Farrell, David Williams, Paul Comstive, Chris Pearce, Steve Davis, Steve Gardner, Paul Atkinson, Leighton James (Youth Team Coach), Middle Row: Jason Hardy, Stewart Hooper, Steve Taylor, Ashley Hoskin, Jason Harris, Ray Deakin, Brendan O'Connell, Gary Rowell, George Oghani, Shaun McGrory, Ian Britton. Front Row (All YTS Apprentices): Phillip Cleg, Neil Howarth, Paul McKay, Mark Monington, Stuart Banks, Sean Whorlow, Kurt Whipp, Steve Eyre, Carl Parker, Andy Taylor.

then won only one of their last eight games and slipped to a final position of fourteenth.

986-87 was then one of the most dramatic in their history. After losing only one of their first seven games they seemed to have promotion potential, but then a run of ten games without a win at the start of the New Year left them battling to stay out of bottom place. They went into their last game against Orient needing a win to stay in the Football League. A crowd of 15,781 (four times their previous home game) saw them win 2-1 and so pip Lincoln by a point.

There were no such problems last season and promotion was a distinct possibility early in March when they were in fourth place. They had to be satisfied with a final position of tenth, however, with a visit to Wembley for the final of the Sherpa Van Trophy providing the season's highlight for them. Though they lost 2-0 to Wolves the game watched by 80,841 fans was a credit to football.

"experienced cup fighters"

Now in the third season of his second spell at the helm Brian Miller has so far seen his side win at Halifax, draw at Stockport and beat Rochdale both in Division Four and in the Littlewoods Cup to earn tonight's tie. They have a fair amount of experience of this competition for in its days as the Football League Cup they reached the semi-final in both 1960-61 and 1968-69 and in its days as the Milk Cup reached the semi-final again in 1982-83 putting out both Coventry and Spurs before going out 3-1 on aggregate to Liverpool.

New signing **Brendan O'Connell** from Exeter has scored four times up to the time of writing as has former Wrexham midfielder **Paul Comative**, who is now in his second season at Turf Moor. Last season's top scorer **George Oghani** (ex-Bolton) and new signing **Paul Atkinson** from Oldham are also likely to be up front while in midfield **Andy Farrell** came from Colchester last season and **Ian Britton** from Blackpool a year earlier.

In defence **Steve Davis** (ex-Crewe) and **Ray Deakin** (ex-Bolton) are likely to be linking up with much-travelled **Peter Daniel** (ex Hull, Sunderland, Wolves and Lincoln) and former Manchester United junior **Steve Gardner**. In goal **Chris Pearce** made the position his own last season after moving from Wrexham. **Steve Taylor** in his second spell with them and new signing **Gary Rowell** from Carlisle have been substitutes recently.

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APPEARANCES AND GOALSCORERS (1988/89)

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Ian Allinson		-	32 4
Kingsley Black	5	1	18 -
Tim Breacker	1	-	175 2
Gary Cobb	-	-	9 -
Mal Donaghy	4	- 500	472 21
John Drever	3	-	
Steve Foster	5	1	164 11
Ashley Grimes	2		94 4
Mick Harford	5	-	136 66
Richard Harvey	-		7 -
Ricky Hill	2	-	463 59
Julian James	-	1	3 -
Marvin Johnson	1	_	9 -
Rob Johnson	4	-	98 -
Darron McDonough	-	-	58 7
David Oldfield	5	-	9 3
David Preece	2	-	101 6
Les Sealey	5	_	214 -
Roy Wegerle	1(2)	-	
Steve Williams	5	- 1	
Danny Wilson	5		52 10

Luton Town F-A Att Pos

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1988-89 will see The Football Trust increase its commitment by investing further sums in closed circuit television. transport facilities for supporters and projects to bring Football League clubs closer to their local community

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12 Coventry City West Ham United 26 Norwich City Newcastle United

Aston Villa

28 FA Cup 4th Round

25 Arsenal

Millwall

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25 Manchester United

8 Charlton Athletic

22 Newcastle United

6 West Ham United 13 Norwich City May 14 FA Cup Final

29 Derby County

Tottenham Hotspur

Coventry City (FACs/f)

Nottingham Forest

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Middlesbrough (FAC 5)

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- 2 Rob Johnson
- 3 John Dreyer
- 4 Steve Williams
- 5 Steve Foster
- 6 Mal Donaghy
- 7 Danny Wilson
- 8 David Oldfield
- 9 Mick Harford
- 10 Ricky Hill
- 11 Kingsley Black

Subs

Burnley

- 1 Chris Pearce
- 2 Peter Daniel
- 3 Ray Deakin
- 4 Andy Farrel
- 5 Steve Davis
- 6 Steve Gardner
- 7 Ian Britton
- 8 George Oghani
- 9 Gary Powell
- 10 Paul Comstive
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