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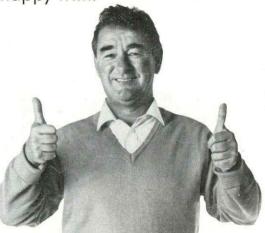
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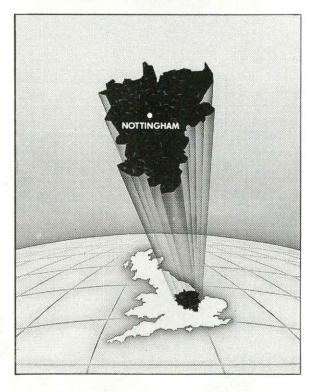
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The thought struck me last weekend reading the newspapers that we ought to be dialing 999, sending out SOS messages and hitting the alarm bells as hard as we can.

Certainly that's the way the media — or at least the tabloids — are interpreting our start to the season.

We go into today's game with four draws and a defeat in our five games to date and if you believed everything you read, you could be forgiven for thinking we were staring relegation in the face.

Thank goodness some people retain a sense of reality — they certainly do here at the ground — and realise that the Barclays League First Division has always been a marathon not a sprint.

In any event, anyone who has seen all our performances so far this season — as I have — could easily argue a case for us doubling if not trebling our points haul. So near have we been to winning games.

At Aston Villa last Saturday, for example, it was a case of deja vous. Yes, we had seen it all before — at Everton a fortnight earlier.

But yet again we had to settle for a 1-1 draw instead of the victory that most people reckoned we deserved.

The quality of some of the football we played was right out of the top drawer and I wasn't in the least surprised to read the



A PERSONAL VIEW BY SECRETARY PAUL WHITE

comments of Villa manager Graham Taylor afterwards.

He was quoted as saying that when you play Forest you get a searching examination in every area of the field.

Judging by his reactions during the game and at the end, he was delighted to get a point on a day when he knew his team could easily have been beaten. The same applied at Goodison Park when it was a treat to watch some of the moves we put together against a team who had started the season in such impressive style.

The games against Everton and Villa provided our two best displays of the season but even in the other games, we could easily have earned greater reward than that which we gained.

It's understandable if the players feel disappointed at not picking up more points but I can honestly say that from my experience the atmosphere among the lads is as good as it's always been.

The only thing that did change in our dressing room last weekend was the fact that our club doctor Bill Heathcote didn't have to perform his weekly job and stitch up Steve Hodge's cut lip.

 Before I sign off can I just wish Hans Segers all the best in his new career at Wimbledon.

He became a very popular figure at the City Ground and from his point of view he was a little unfortunate to be in direct competition with a goalkeeper as consistent as Steve Sutton.

I'm sure he'll do well and, knowing how he enjoys playing outfield in practice matches, we could well see him venturing even further upfield than his Wimbledon predecessor Dave Beasant.

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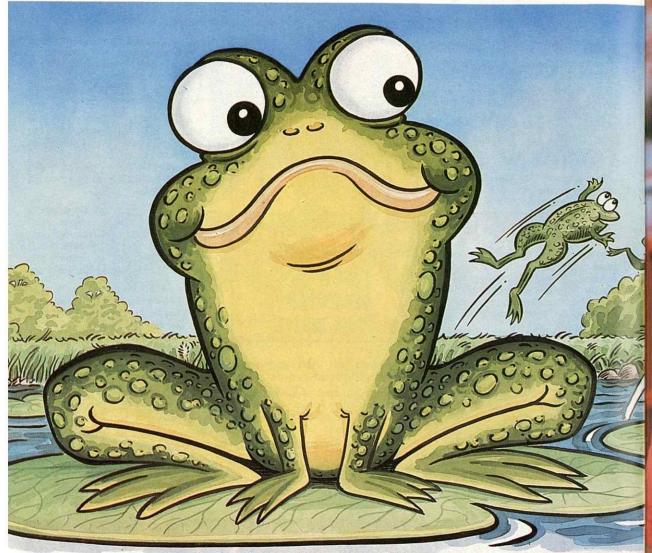
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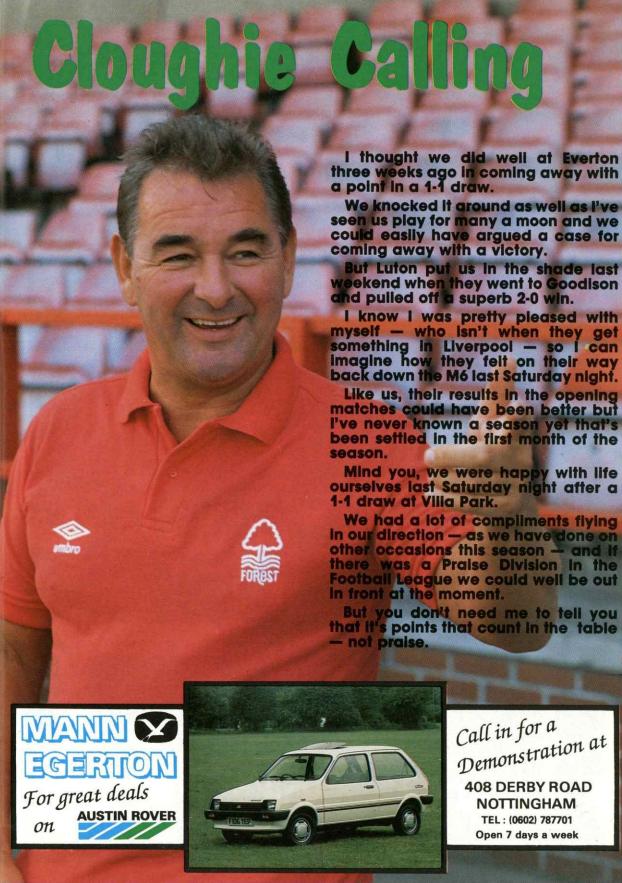
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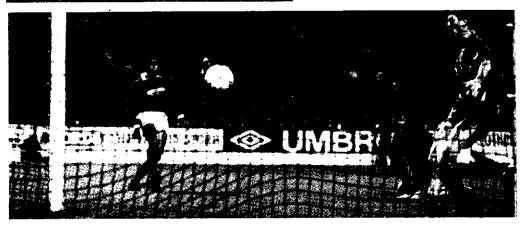
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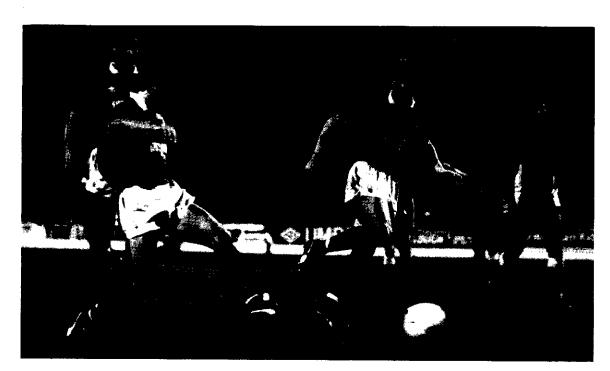






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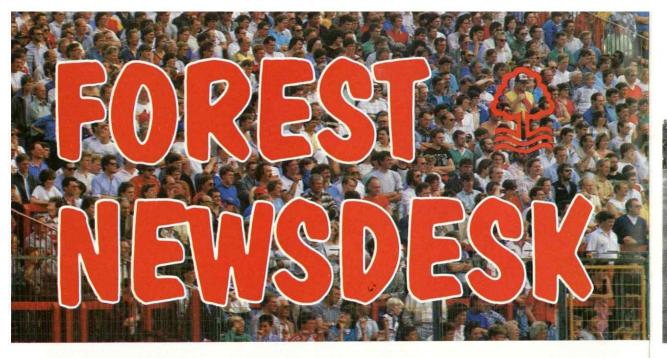
Goals have not flowed for us this season until Wednesday night when we stormed to a 6-0 win over the Third Division side.

It all started with Stuart Pearce celebrating the opening goal (top left), then Nigel Clough is congratulated (middle left) after opening his account and Neil Webb (bottom left) made it 3-0 after 25 minutes.

That's the way it stayed until the last 11 minutes when Steve Hodge (top right) made it 4-0, then Nigel got his second (above) and Tommy Gaynor rounded off the six-goal romp (right).







ALL-TICKET

Our Littlewoods Cup second round, second leg tie with Chester at Sealand Road on 12th October is all-ticket.

And any of our supporters making the trip are urged to make sure of buying a ticket before they go.

Said secretary Paul White: "There is no guarantee that tickets will be available on the night but they are on sale now at the City Ground."

The price of the tickets is £4 for seats and £3 for terrace.

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TODAY'S MASCOT

Ten year old David Woolley, of 80 Wheatgrass Road, Chilwell, is our mascot today.

He attends the Sunnyside County Primary School and his hobbies are football, cricket, tennis, golf and swimming.

His favourite Forest players are Stuart Pearce, Nigel Clough and Steve Sutton.

IT'S NOT A RECORD

Some of our supporters wondered if the four England players — pictured in colour on today's centre pages — were creating a club record when they played against Denmark at Wembley last month.

And our "resident statistician" Ken Smales has uncovered the facts to reveal that it is not the first time we have actually had four players on the field for England at the same time.

The previous occasion was on 10th June, 1979, when we had four players in the side that drew 0-0 with Sweden in Stockholm.

The four players concerned on that occasion were Peter Shilton, Tony Woodcock, Trevor Francis and Viv Anderson.

There are several instances of us having three players in the starting line-up, the most recent being April, 1981, when Shilton, Anderson and Francis lined up in a goalless draw at Wembley against Rumania.

We have had three players representing other countries too. John Robertson, Kenny Burns and Frank Gray all played for Scotland in a 1-1 draw with Northern Ireland at Hampden Park in March, 1981.

And on more than one occasion our first team coach Liam O'Kane was in the same Northern Ireland side as Martin O'Neill and Tommy Jackson, the most recent being a 3-0 defeat by Scotland at Hampden in May, 1975.

We have never had three players in the same Welsh team.



CHAMPIONSHIP PRESENTATION

One of our directors Mr. Fred Reacher had a proud moment before our recent home game against Derby County.

Mr. Reacher is chairman of the Midland Intermediate League and was delighted in that capacity to present last season's Championship trophy to youth captain Tony Abrahams (above).

Said Mr. Reacher: "It's always nice to be presenting a trophy to your own club's players and there's no doubt the lads deserved it for their efforts.

"It says a lot for them that they won the title and played two matches less — because they couldn't be fitted in at the end of the season — than the teams behind us in the table.

"I'm just looking forward to us being in the same position next year."

FANS HOT-LINE

Our fans now have a telephone "hot-line" to keep them in touch with Supporters' Club news.

The new service was launched last week and by ringing 0898 400 747° they can be kept in touch with such things as membership, tickets, merchandise and travel arrangements.

Our Supporters Club, which is beginning to thrive again, are one of' the first in the country to join the scheme.

The man providing the information for use on the line is life-long Forest fan Bob Bagrie, who is secretary of our Lancashire and North West branch.

Any snippets of news for the "hot-line" should be passed on to him at Newark (0636) 76790 or at 118, Grange Road, Newark, Notts, NG24 4PW.

The message on the line will be changed every Sunday.

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FLOWER POWER

Manager Brian Clough walked away from Villa Park last Saturday night clutching a pair of carnations appropriately one red and one white.

He's not quite sure whether they were from a well-wisher or not but they descended on the pitch after Villa had scored their goal.

Terry Wilson, who was on the bench, retrieved the carnations and the flower power did the trick for us with Franz Carr popping in a thoroughly deserved equaliser.

Said Mr. Clough: "I assume they came from a Villa supporter celebrating their goal but, blow me, if someone is going to throw flowers away I'll have them.

"They certainly made our dressing room smell a bit better at half time and if that's what did the trick to get us a goal, I might just see if we can get some sponsorship with Interflora."



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WELL DONE REF

I would like to congratulate referee John Key for the way he handled the potentially explosive Forest v. Derby match recently.

A lot of refs would have resorted to bookings left right and centre if the game had begun to boil over like the one a fortnight ago. But Mr. Key used his yellow card wisely, only booking three players for what where genuine bookable offences.

His handling of Arthur Cox and Roy McFarland was excellent as well. Calming down the situation by asking the Rams duo to move into their dug-out. He didn't try to lay down the law, he just did what he thought was necessary to stop it degenerating into a wrestling bout.

He also tried to keep the game flowing wherever possible, which resulted in a closely fought contest which, from my point of view, was thoroughly entertaining.

R. JENKINS, Blidworth

WHAT'S IN THE POST?

Programme Editor Nottingham Forest F.C. City Ground Nottingham NG2 5FJ



ONE FOR THE MEMORY

In the programme for the match against Derby County, I think there was a sentence which stated that Forest had not played Chester in a competitive match before.

I have been a Forest supporter since 1927 and think I can remember going to Chester since or just before the Second World War. Forest beat them 5-0 or 5-1 in the days of Masters and Loftus and I remember we made up a song about the victory in a local pub.

A. R. FAGG, Shipley

You were right Mr. Fagg. As we pointed out in the Chester programme, we played them in a third round F.A. Cup tle in the 1934-35 season. We won 4-0 at Sealand Road — Editor.

HAVE FAITH

It never ceases to amaze me that the critics and "told you so's" crawl out of the woodwork when a team makes a disappointing start to the season.

Over the past couple of weeks we've had to endure the criticism of certain sections of the press, the man in the street and people who should know better.

OK, maybe Forest haven't made the best start in the world, but four drawn matches and one defeat isn't the kind of stuff to set the alarm bells ringing.

With a little bit of time and faith I'm sure we will see a change in Forest's fortunes and the goals will start to flow.

A. PRATT, Leicestershire

THANKS A LOT

I must say a word of thanks to the car park supervisors at the Executive Car Park. Having travelled from Luton for the last match of last season I found on arrival that I had a puncture in one of my tyres.

The help I was given from the supervisors was greatly appreciated and merely enforced the respect I have for Notlingham Forest both on and now off the field.

A friendlier club I have yet to visit on my travels with Luton and I wish you all success in the chase for major honours in the coming seasons.

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We put up one of the most dispirited performances I've seen from our reserves in midweek when we lost our 100 per cent record in a 5-1 defeat by Huddersfield at Leeds Road.

They had quite an experienced side and our goalkeeper Mark Crossley had to have six stitches in a dislocated finger afterwards but there was no excuse for the manner in which we folded in the later stages of the game.

Throughout the first half it could have gone either way and although Huddersfield were 2-1 up at half-time, we had several chances that we ought to have put to better use.

Nigel Jemson scored our goal when he was put through by Gary Parker and, on that occasion, finished superbly.

But once Huddersfield had made it 3-1 I'm afraid to say it was really a question of how many goals they would get.

One or two heads went down and if the game had gone on any longer, I would have fancied Huddersfield to have got more goals.

The one player who came out of the 90 minutes with some credit was Philip Starbuck, who worked hard up front without a lot of help. It's good to see him re-asserting himself after a disappointing season last year.

Youth Scene

Our run of victories in the Midland Intermediate League also came to an end this week when we drew 3-3 with West Brom.

It took an injury time goal to prevent us winning but we really ought to have made the game safe long before the final stages.

In fact we took a 2-0 lead early in the game. Kevin Sharp opened the scoring and Michael Danzey made it 2-0 after being put through.

I think one or two of our players thought the game was over at that stage but to their credit, West Brom rolled up their sleeves and battled their way back.

With a little bit of composure we could have calmed things down but we got knocked out of our stride and two bad defensive errors enabled them to draw level.

Danzey, who has had an excellent start to the season, put us back in front with a superb solo goal and it looked all over until Albion snatched the equaliser well into time added on.

Champions!

Before the recent home game against Derby our Midland Intermediate League side were presented with the Championship trophy and miniature momentos following their title success of last season.

Back Row: Craig Boardman, Mark Hirst, Michael Danzey, Sean Dyche, Kieron Mountford, Gary Brown, Gary Charles.

Front Row: Shaun Browne, Nick Ashby, Steve Stone, Tony Abrahams, Steve McLoughlin, Kevin Sharp.



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One of the areas we will be looking at is perimeter advertising.

You will have noticed this season that we have attracted a lot of advertisers to the City Ground.

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Come and talk to us in the Commercial Office if you would like to know more details.

MATCH SPONSORS

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Manager Brian Clough was joined by Nigel Clough, Calvin Plummer, Steve Hodge, Gary Parker and Brian Laws at the opening of the Nottingham Greeting Card showroom in Nuthall Road. Also pictured is Paul White, Managing Director of the showroom.

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PLAYER OF THE MONTH

You get the opportunity today to vote for the Player of the Month for the first time this season.

The awards, again sponsored by Shipstones, were dominated last year by Steve Sutton and the previous year by Des Walker so it will be interesting to see what happens over the coming months.

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MICK HARFORD



DANNY WILSON

Luton Town's 1987-88 season had the kind of plot that would have been better suited to a fairy tale rather than a football programme.

In his first season in charge, Ray Harford led his team from relative obscurity to victory in the Littlewoods Cup Final against Arsenal — their first major cup victory — and to the final of the Simod Cup and the semi-finals of the F.A. Cup.

But their early season form seemed to suggest that the bubble of success had burst on Luton. Before last weekend's surprise win over Everton the Hatters had only one point to their name.

And that victory at Goodison will no doubt give them heart for their task here this afternoon.

It's basically the same Luton side that we faced in our last two games of last season but one major change is the recruitment of Steve Williams from Arsenal for a club record £300,000.

The 30-year-old former Southampton and England player adds extra stability and aggression to a Luton midfield that includes ex-England international Ricky Hill and our former player Danny Wilson.

Wilson, who was Harford's first major signing from Brighton at the start of last season, had a brief spell at the City Ground in 1983. But things didn't work out for the talented Northern Ireland international and he moved to the South Coast.

Another former Brighton player Steve Foster is the driving force in Luton's defence.

Foster, who joined Luton from Aston Villa in 1984 for a bargain £70,000 has formed, with Mal Donaghy, one of the best central defensive partnerships in the country.

Donaghy, one of the club's longest serving players, was signed by David Pleat in 1978 for £20,000 from Irish side Larne and has since played more than 470 games for Luton and has become the club's most capped international.

The 31-year-old Belfast born player missed eight league games last season through injury but has still been ever present for six out of the last 10 seasons in a defence that now includes John Dreyer, a £140,000 summer signing from Oxford.

Although they place great emphasis on teamwork, there are still some exciting individuals in the side, including 20-year-old winger Kingsley Black, midfield artist Hill and striker Mick Harford.

Black, who taunted and teased Arsenal's defence with his pace in the Littlewoods Cup Final, was immediately named in the Northern Ireland squad after his Wembley performance, even though he only made a handful of league and cup appearances last year.



Back Row (left to right): David Preece, Mark Stein, Gary Cobb, Ian Allinson, Richard Harvey, Kingsley Black, Rob Johnson.

Middle Row: David Galley (Physio), John Faulkner (Coach), Roy Wegerle, John Dreyer, David Oldfield, Les Sealey, Mick Harford, Alec Chamberlain, Marvin Johnson, Ashley Grimes, Darren McDonough, Jim Ryan (Coach).

Front Row : Steve Williams, Danny Wilson, Steve Foster (Captain), Mick Harford (Manager), Mai Donaghy, Ricky Hill, Tim Breaker.

And Hill, who joined Luton straight from school, is now in his 13th season with the club. His first appearance was against Bristol Rovers in 1976.

The 29-year-old midfielder made his England debut against Denmark in 1982 and two seasons ago he was called up by Bobby Robson for an international against Egypt.

Harford — no relation to the manager — was Luton's record signing when he joined the club in December 1984 from Birmingham and he quickly justified his £250,000 fee. He has scored 66 League goals for The Hatters.

He's found himself with new partners up front this season following the departure of the Stein brothers from Kenilworth Road.

Long-serving former England international Brian has moved to France and younger brother Mark has taken his goalscoring potential into the Queen's Park Rangers' side we face next Saturday.

Australian-born David Oldfield, who turned down a move to Norwich during the summer, is beginning to make his mark and he scored one of the goals that floored Everton last Saturday.

But much of the responsibility up front rests with Harford.

The former Lincoln, Newcastle and Bristol City player had a hand in Luton's first goal of the new season against the side who knocked them out of last season's

F.A. Cup at the semi-final stage, Wimbledon, but he's yet to open his League account this season.

Wimbledon defender Vaughan Ryan gifted Town their first point of the season when he headed a Harford cross into his own net as Luton, who had lost on the opening day of the season at Sheffield Wednesday, were held to a 2-2 draw by the F.A. Cup holders.

They then went down 2-1 at Southampton and were soundly beaten at home by Manchester United.

But they finally re-discovered some of their cup winning form last weekend as they beat Everton 2-0 at Goodlson Park.

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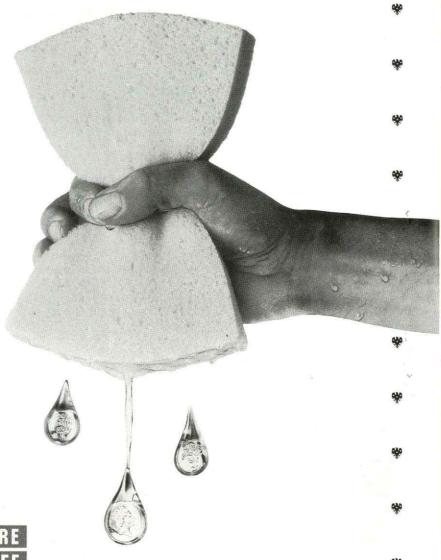


Ray Harford was the natural successor to John Moore as the manager of Luton Town in the summer of 1987.

He moved to Luton in 1986 after a spell as coach at Colchester and as manager of Fulham

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Lucky half-time prize draw winners with Peter McGarvey, of Benson McGarvey Financial Advisers, who were the Junior Reds sponsors for the game against Derby.

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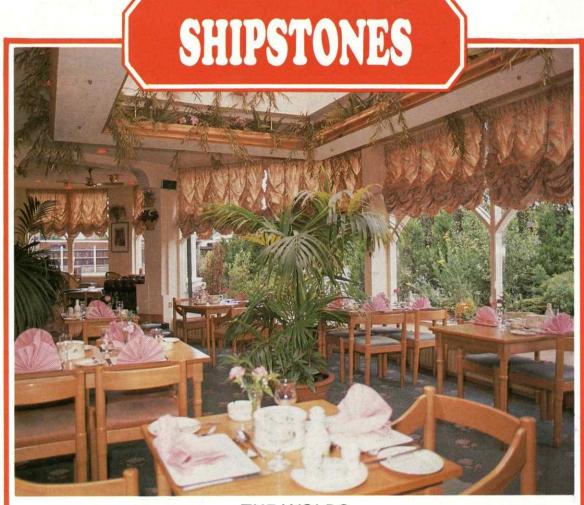
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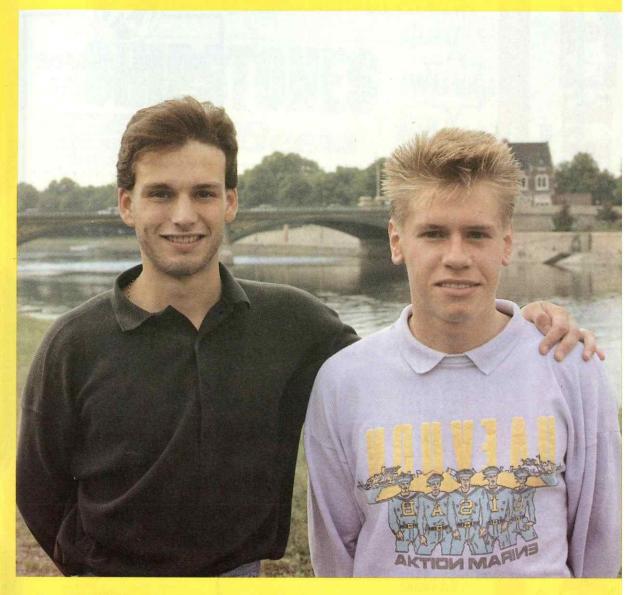
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Garry Birtles, Peter Davenport, Steve Wigley and Gary Crosby (pictured with Russell) are four players who have joined us as unknowns but emerged as household names in the First Division.

Russell signed for us in the summer after playing for Kidderminster, Redditch and more recently Dudley. He earned a twoyear professional contract following a string of impressive displays while on trial in our reserve side towards the end of last season.

Said Russell: "I know there is a line of players who have come through at Forest after being discovered in the non-League game . . . and I would love to add to the list.

"I've achieved the first objective in getting a contract and I know it's up to me to show I am good enough.

"I'm just trying to do as well as I can in the Reserves at the moment but who knows what can happen in this game? Even before I came to Forest they struck me as a club that gave players every chance of making the grade.

"I've thoroughly enjoyed myself so far. The other lads have made me very welcome and although I had a hamstring injury in pre-season I was able to shake that off after two or three weeks and get fit for the first game in the Central League."

We are not the first League club that Russell has been connected with. He was on schoolboy forms with West Brom and also had trials with Shrewsbury when he left school.

But his hopes of a career in the full-time game looked slim until we spotted him playing Southern League football.

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HELPING THE GAME The Football Trust receives £9 million annually from the Spotting-the-Ball competition run by Littlewoods, Vernons and

Zetters and spends it all on projects which benefit football throughout the United Kingdom

Since 1979 it has been committed to the development of the game at every level and its broad and varying initiatives have ranged from essential safety work at Tottenham to social work at Toxteth; refurbishment at Wembley to repairs at Welling. closed circuit television at all League clubs to community tacilities at Oldham Athletic, transport improvements at Sheffield Wednesday to storm damage in the South East of England, from policing costs at Hull City to an artificial pitch at Hyde United

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

WARNIN

At the beginning of the season more than 110 League grounds in England, Wales and Scotland will be equipped with CLOSED CIRCUIT TELEVISION which has been funded by The Football Trust

It is there to increase crowd safety and to help the police. Recording facilities enable film and photographs to be taken of disorder, which may subsequently be used in a court of law.

CLOSED CIRCUIT TELEVISION

SAFETY FIRST

Football grounds in England and Wales have reached their highest ever level of safety thanks to the £23.671.425 invested by the Football Grounds Improvement Trust since 1975

Almost every League club has been assisted with essential safety work and further substantial sums have been spent to enable them to improve facilities. In the past year alone FGIT grants to Football League clubs totalled: 2,254,723

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In addition to its safety programme, FGIT has also allocated £1.5 million to build or improve family and disabled facilities at League grounds during 1988.

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MATCH FACTS

We played Luton Town twice in the space of two days at the end of last season and on both occasions the game resulted in a 1-1 draw.

In the match at Kenilworth Road last May, Lee Glover hit his third League goal of the season and Mal Donaghy struck for The Hatters.

Neil Webb scored for us at the City Ground two days later and David Oldfield replied for Luton.

MATCH OFFICIALS:

Referee:

K. A. Redfern (Whitley Bay)

Linesmen:

A. M. Hackett (Red Trim) B. T. Millership (Yellow Flag)

Reserve Official: K. P. Betts

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STEVE SUTTON

He's now topped 150 League appearances including 22 in spells with Mansfield Town and Derby County.

STEVE CHETTLE

Continuing to win his battle for the No. 2 shirt despite competition from Gary Fleming.

STUART PEARCE

Earned his sixth cap in the recent England International against Denmark at Wembley.

Won his first England cap when he came on as substitute in the 1-0 win over the Danes.

COLIN FOSTER

Scored his first goal of the season in our recent home match -the 1-1 draw with Derby County.

STEVE HODGE

made an Impressive return to the City Ground following his £550,000 move from Tottenham Hotspur.

GARY CROSBY

Still an ever present this season despite the competition from Franz Carr.

NEIL WEBB

Continued where he left off last season - scoring goals for Forest and England

NIGEL CLOUGH

Now too old for England Under-21 recognition but surely set for a call to the full squad soon.

TOMMY GAYNOR

The former Doncaster striker won back his first team spot three weeks ago at Everton.

BRIAN RICE

It was around this time last season that he forced his way back into the side on a regular basis.

LES SEALEY

Played 178 times for Coventry City during a seven year spell with the club before joining Luton in August 1983.

ROB JOHNSON

Suffered two bad knee injuries early on in his career but fought back to make his Luton debut against Birmingham in 1983.

A close season signing from Oxford for £140,000, he's also had spells on loan with Torquay and Fulham.

Another summer signing, the former England and Southampton midfielder was bought from Arsenal for a club record £300,000.

STEVE FOSTER

The former England international began his career in his home town of Portsmouth.

MAL DONAGHY

The Northern Ireland international has made more than 470 appearances for Luton over a 10 year period.

DANNY WILSON

Spent 10 months on loan from Chesterfield at the City Ground in 1983, Joined Luton at the start of last season.

DAVID OLDFIELD

Australian born striker who scored Town's opening goal against Everton last weekend.

MICK HARFORD

Played some of the best football of his career last season and won his first full England cap.

The longest serving player in the Luton side, the 29-year-old striker is now in his 13th year at Kenliworth Road.

KINGSLEY BLACK

Only made his League debut last October, but already well established in both the Luton and Northern Ireland sides.

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