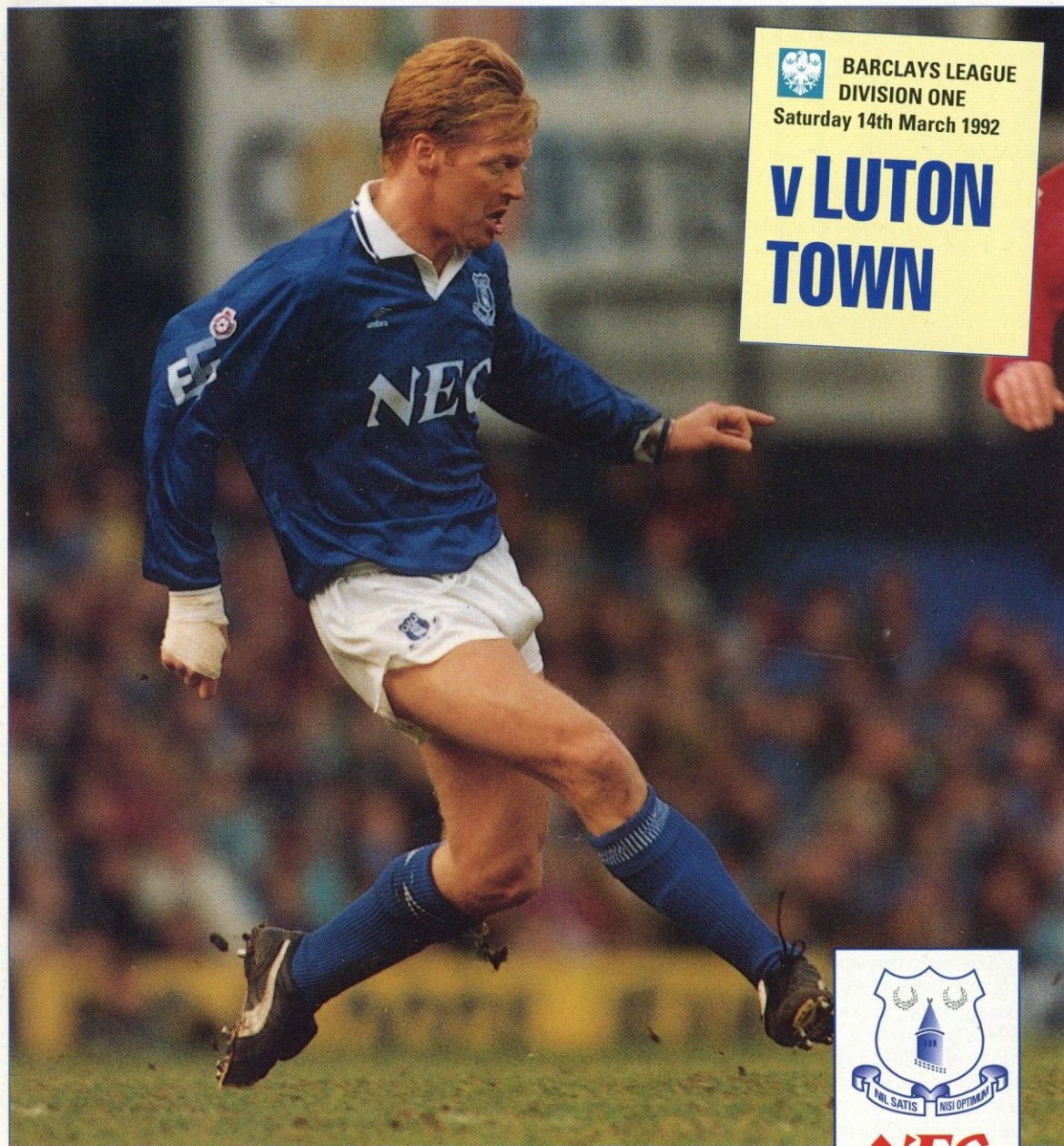


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◆ We are now on the countdown to the annual transfer deadline.

Twelve days to go, and who knows what will happen as clubs try to improve their chances of winning something or of avoiding relegation?

What I am sure of is that by the time the market re-opens for serious business in the summer, there will be a different outlook.

We are coming to the point where the Taylor Report starts to bite. Clubs have two years in which to implement the all-seater requirement and it should be obvious that only a handful will be able to put money into new stands AND new players.

This must make an impact somewhere on transfer fees. Perhaps not so much at the top end because already there are very few clubs who can go in for the best players. Only these clubs will be able to compete if someone becomes available for, say, three or four million pounds.

But I would envisage changes in other areas. It's quite likely that prices will fall in the middle market.

Personally I wouldn't be surprised if the £500,000 fees of the last year dropped by half. I can also see exchange deals coming more into fashion.

Straight swaps would seem to be an ideal solution for clubs who have little or no money available. Managers can't afford to stand still and sometimes you can benefit by sacrificing one player in order to get another who will improve the balance of your squad.

Players who can fill a couple of positions are particularly valuable now that most clubs run with a first-team pool of 20, or fewer in some cases.

Here at Everton, we are no different in this respect. You only have to walk around the corridors in the Main Stand to see how things have altered. Team photographs from every year are displayed on the walls and if you look at those from the 1960s and earlier, you can count 40-odd professionals.

Clubs cannot afford to carry anywhere near that number of players nowadays. The difference probably shows up

PRICES TO FALL?

most in the make-up of reserve teams. At one time, they would be filled entirely by senior players but now they are often based on young pros and YTS lads.

◆ **Last week's home game with Oldham Athletic was every bit as competitive as we anticipated. As Joe Royle said beforehand, there was no need to motivate himself or his side for a visit to Goodison Park.**

That was done for him, first because he was returning to his old club, and also because four of his players were ex-Evertonians. They all wanted to go out and do their best on a stage they know so well.

It's a natural reaction to try and do that little bit better, especially for someone like Graeme Sharp. He was well received by the crowd and no-one would have expected anything less for player who served this club so well for so many years.

The game began well for us with the early goal. Mark Ward put in a good cross and Mo Johnston's run to the near post left the hole for Peter Beardsley. His finish was probably better than it looked from the sidelines.

Oldham pressured us after that and made it difficult for us to play flowing football, although we still created one or two chances. Johnston missed one, but when people said he wasted another, I felt that was a situation where credit was due to Ian Marshall for a good challenge at a crucial moment.

The main threat from Oldham tended to come from their winger, Rick Holden. He's one of those players with the rare knack of getting in good crosses without having to go round the full back to create a better angle.

Sure enough, it was his free kick that produced an equaliser - a disappointing goal, given how well we have been defending in recent weeks. Possibly we were concentrating on the big men - Jobson, Sharp and Marshall - and this allowed Craig Fleming to go in virtually unchallenged.

When Martin Keown went off with a thigh strain, Gary Ablett showed his versatility by moving into the middle for the second time since he joined us in January. As we already had Andy Hinchcliffe on the field, there was no real disruption when he went to left back and Peter Beagrie slotted in on the left wing.

The winning goal from Beardsley was a good example of what can be achieved by taking on people in the penalty area.

Mike Milligan held back, no doubt thinking that he might bring him down if he made a challenge, and then Peter slipped the ball through the defender's legs and into the far corner. By all accounts, he did that deliberately, and when you are talking someone of his quality, you tend to believe that.

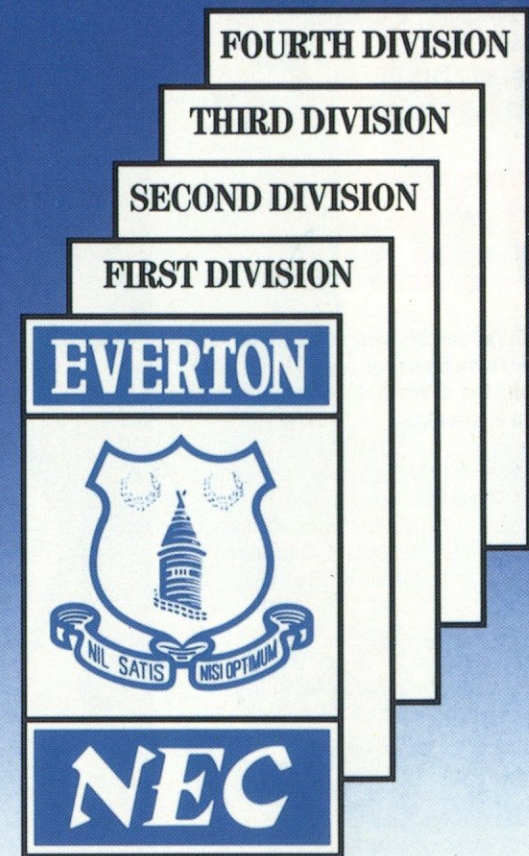
◆ **Finally, I'd like to put the record straight on all the reports you may have read about my being ready to go back to Spain.**

I thought I had made the position quite clear in a statement to the media, but by last week-end, I was having to deny another of these ridiculous stories.

So let me say it again: I came back here to do a job and I am getting on with that job.



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◆ **Matthew Jackson can reflect this afternoon on the first 150 days since the Luton Town manager, David Pleat, took him on one side and broke the news that terms had been agreed for his transfer to Everton.**

The teenage defender - he's just coming up to his 20th birthday - headed north later that day and quickly agreed terms for a move that has already trebled his First Division experience.

Today he welcomes his old club to Goodison Park, although it's not the first meeting since he left the Hatters. In November, he returned to Kenilworth Road and played in a 1-0 win for Everton but, ironically, wearing a Luton shirt. That was the day we had to borrow their change strip because of unexpected clash of colours.

He is grateful to Luton for all that they did for his football education and, in particular, he lists the benefit of starting with a club which offers early opportunities for young players.

"I think everybody knows they have had to sell to survive," he says. "Fortunately, they have continued the good youth policy and they have a lot of good youngsters coming through.

"They always try and pass the ball around and play attractive football. That's coached into the youngsters from the time they go into the School of Excellence.

"At a smaller club like Luton, there are a lot of young players in the reserves so you tend to grow up quickly, football-wise, with outings in senior football, even if it is only in the reserves."

By the time Matthew got into the first team early this season, Luton were back on grass after several years with an artificial pitch.

"That was a big help," he says. "There were times when Luton would crucify teams, especially in the early years. No side liked coming to play on the plastic."

Matthew was only just getting to know David Pleat when the transfer to Everton came along. "The manager joined in the summer and I left about three months later," he explained.

"He told me that the Board had decided Everton's offer was acceptable - and that was fair enough.

"He did say that I could come up here and turn everything down, but obviously for me, being ambitious, there was no way I could do that."

◆ **Today, the Luton supporters will be joined on the motorway by the Jackson family - father, mother and brother who are now committed to following the Blues. They travel to every game, and it's often easier for them when we are away because so many fixtures are in the South or the Midlands.**

Matthew expects nothing less than a very hard game. "Luton have been struggling away from home," he says, "but in their position, they'll be coming up here to battle for a result."



TOP TEN NEV

◆ **With his 357th League game, against Queens Park Rangers last month, Neville Southall moved into the all-time top ten in terms of FULL League appearances for Everton.**

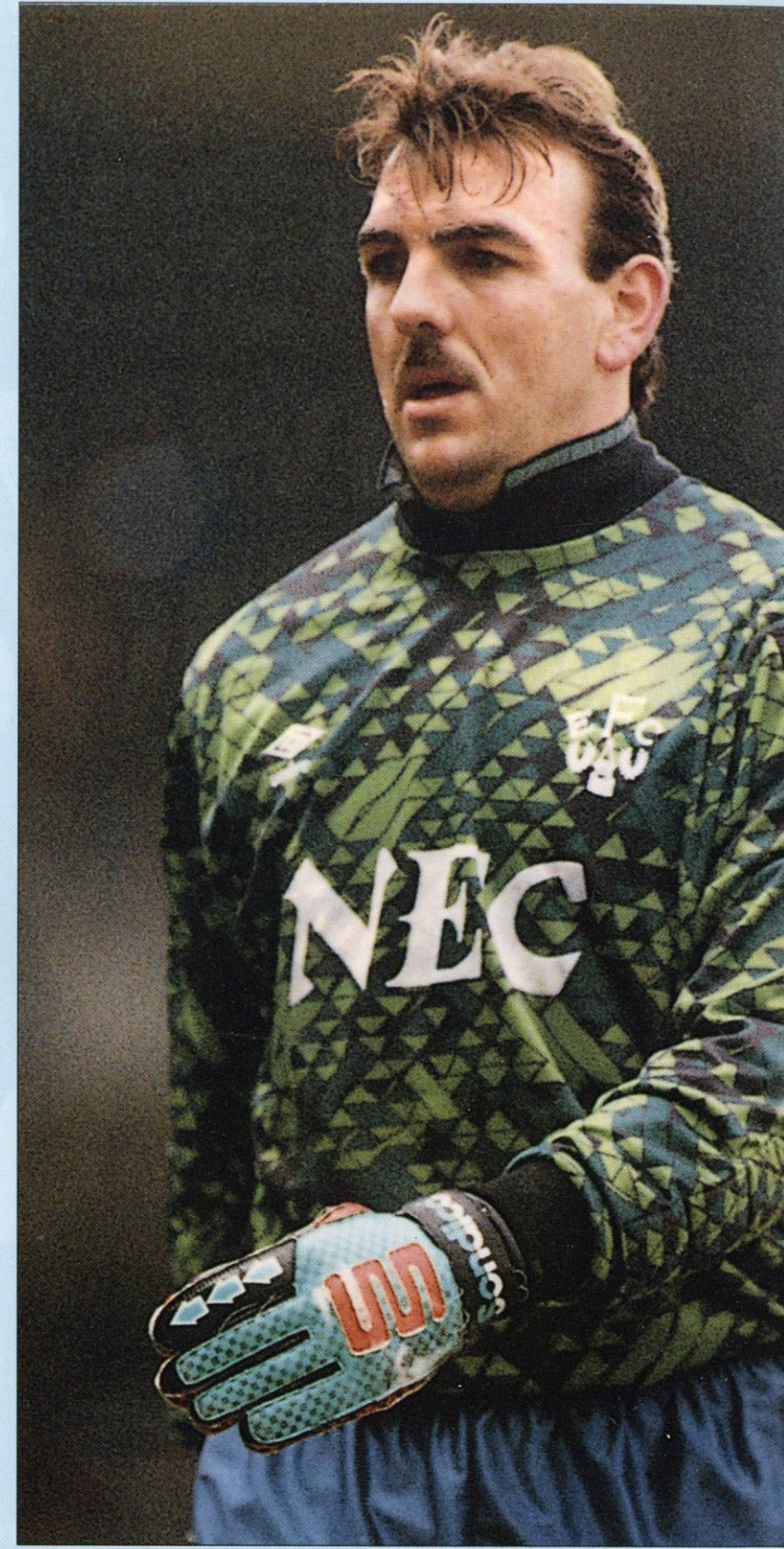
Up-dating the record to include last Saturday, the full list was as follows...

Player	Career	Games
TED SAGAR	(1930-52)	463
BRIAN LABONE	(1958-71)	451
PETER FARRELL	(1946-57)	422
JACK TAYLOR	(1896-10)	400
"DIXIE" DEAN	(1925-37)	399
TOMMY EGLINGTON	(1946-57)	394
T.E. JONES	(1950-61)	383
WALLY FIELDING	(1946-58)	380
MIKE LYONS	(1971-82)	364
NEVILLE SOUTHALL	(1981-**)	360

Our thanks to Gary Donnelly, of Nutgrove, St Helens, for drawing our attention to this achievement by the Welsh goalkeeper.

Mr Donnelly added: "Neville must now have one eye on Ted Sagar's record. If he remains an ever-present first-team choice, he could reach this target at some time around the autumn of 1994.

"Given that Neville has not missed a League game since 17.10.87 v Newcastle, I imagine that not too many people would bet against him beating Sagar's record."



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PRIDE OF THE NATION

◆ **These are good times for English sports followers. A World Cup Final and a back-to-back Grand Slam double for the rugby team. At the very least, we dare to anticipate a World Cup Final for our cricketers.**

For the likes of Graham Gooch and Ian Botham, an appearance at the Melbourne Cricket Ground in 11 days' time would be fulfilment of a cause for two outstanding players who, in darker days, appeared to be carrying their side single-handed.

Only a legend - and that is one of Botham's nicknames - could have prepared for what he would call a spot of Aussie-bashing by playing a panto king in Bournemouth and appearing for half the winter as a team captain in BBC's Question of Sport.

There were those who muttered about favouritism when the selectors gave the 36-year-old veteran dispensation to stay with Jack and the Beanstalk while his team-mates began their tour in New Zealand. Others even questioned his selection ahead of younger candidates.

Who was right, who was wrong? The answer was surely written into the scorebook in Sydney last week: four wickets in seven balls and then a half-century with the bat. Goodnight, Australia, "Beefy" is back!

With only half of the qualifying round-robin completed, England were virtually assured of a semi-final place, and travel agents opened their doors the next morning to deal with latecomers asking about package holidays to Australia for the last fortnight of the tournament.

Not quite a tale of all roads leading to Heathrow but there were supporters flying off this week with tickets for only two England games - the semi-final and final. When was such confidence last placed in a team from these shores?

◆ **Perhaps the rugby team would command such a following if only they could be given a re-run with Australia after their narrow defeat in the World Cup Final. For now, Will Carling's boys can claim to be the best in the northern hemisphere - and an exceptionally successful side by any yardstick.**

For those of us geared to soccer achievements, a parallel was drawn by Donald Saunders in The Daily Telegraph on Monday. He wrote: "Two consecutive Five Nations Grand Slams are a sporting rarity to be cherished, rather like soccer's League Championship-FA Cup double. Indeed, only two successive Grand Slams have been achieved this century, compared with three soccer doubles in that time.

"That is a measure of the difficulty of the task completed by England at Twickenham on Saturday. It provides a more than adequate response to complaints that Will Carling and his men are lucky to have come together when the other four nations are offering feeble opposition - a contention that, in any case, is likely to receive short shrift in Scotland.

"Perhaps one could argue that England looked, at least on Saturday, more like the efficient 1971 team that earned Arsenal the double than the exciting 'Super Spurs' of 10 years earlier or the smoothly skilled Liverpool of 1986.

"Even so, they deserve the highest praise for helping to re-establish international rugby as a 15-man game, requiring nimble thought, sharp eyes, safe hands, speed, agility and courage as well as power, tenacity, stamina and accurate kicking."

If England possess all these qualities, indeed they must be a team of rare ability. It is often said that the English have a peculiar habit of putting down our achievements. As Mr Saunders is a Welshman, he cannot be accused of that, but in the later stages of his article, there is a hint that he may lean towards the doubters' camp.

To pigeon-hole teams according to popular opinion is sometimes to overlook that you can only be the best at a particular time - and times do change. When Arsenal won the double, they scored more goals than all but one First Division team and, likewise, their defensive record was bettered by only one side.

The impression that they were a functional team is probably linked with their goals breakdown of 71 "for" and 29 "against", as compared with Spurs' figures of 115-55 a decade earlier. The danger of this argument is that statistics are taken out of context. Two other clubs scored 100 goals in Spurs' golden year. Thus the type of football played by all sides must have very different to that when Arsenal took both trophies.

The only indisputable claim is that BOTH were outstanding in a given season. That's what England's rugby team are, and what we all hope the cricketers will be very shortly.

IN MEMORY OF A BRAVE EVERTONIAN...

◆ **Dave Watson was in his first week as club captain when he received a call asking him to visit a young Evertonian who was awaiting major heart surgery.**

It was an emotional moment for the new skipper - and ultimately a sad one. Jeffrey Bruce had his operation the next morning and

died within 24 hours.

Those who witnessed what Dave achieved in an hour-and-a-half at Jeffrey's bedside were so impressed that they request that we should print a photograph (right) of a brave supporter and a visitor from the club he adored.

We do so as tribute to Jeffrey's courage and, in the words of the Sisters of the Little Ones in Fairfield, as "a thank you" to Dave, who also attended the funeral as the club's representative.

Sister Winefride, herself an Everton supporter, wrote: "Jeffrey was very nervous about the surgery he was about to undergo and needed to be cheered up.

"I am most grateful to Dave. What his visit did for Jeffrey was just fantastic. It was better than winning any world trophy."

STARTING SLIP-UP FOR BARLOW...

◆ **Stuart Barlow blamed himself for missing a trip to Wembley in the Rumbelows Sprint Challenge.**



A touch of over-eagerness at the starting line cost him the Everton striker his chance in the North West final which was won by Manchester City skipper Keith Curle.

"I made a mess of it," said Stuart. "I was trying to jump away but had to be step back, and that was when the starter fired the gun. I was left a yard or two behind the others and you can't get that back.

"I was disappointed at the time and more so when I saw the race on television. It was an enjoyable afternoon and I'd like to have another go next year -

but I'll have to get some practice in on my starting. In my heat, I slipped at the start but recovered to get second place to a lad from Burnley.

"We were running in full soccer kit on grass and it takes some doing to maintain your pace over 100 metres. It's not like in football where acceleration is important over a short distance. In a game, you can run fast over 10 yards to get away from a defender and slow down after that."

With 16 competitors at the North West gathering in Wigan, there were two heats of eight, with the first four in each going through to the final.

As runner-up to John Francis in the heat, Barlow clocked 12.10 seconds - exactly the time record by Curle in winning the £500 prize later in the day. The Everton man was sixth in the final in 12.36 seconds.

Former Everton winger Stuart Storer, now with Bolton, was second in the final and will be at Wembley with Curle on Rumbelows Cup day next month. The Sprint Challenge will involve the first two from six regional heats plus four fastest losers.

LEAP YEAR LIFT FOR THE BLUES...

◆ **After 104 years as members of the Football League, Everton created an historical odd-spot with the recent victory at West Ham.**

It was the first time we had won a game on a Saturday dated 29th February, though maybe we should point out that because of the quirks of Leap Years in the calendar, it was only our fourth attempt!

In 1896, we lost 4-0 at Sheffield Wednesday in the FA Cup; in 1908 we were beaten 5-2 at Nottingham Forest; in 1936 we drew 2-2 at home to Manchester City, Torry Gillick scoring both goals.

The only other instance of the extra day in February falling on a Saturday was in 1964, but on that occasion, we played on Friday the 28th, defeating Aston Villa 4-2 at Goodison Park.

As far as we can remember, the reason for the switch was because Liverpool had a home FA Cup quarter-final on the Saturday, losing 2-1 to Second Division Swansea Town. In the semi-final Swansea were defeated at Villa Park by Preston - a result which enabled Howard Kendall to become the youngest Cup Finalist with North End.

EASTER TRIP TO FRANCE...

◆ **The Young Blues will be competing in an Easter Youth Tournament in France from 19th-20th April.**

The host club is FC Saint Joseph from Rive-de-Gier, a town situated roughly midway between the cities of St Etienne and Lyons.

An Under-19 age limit means we will probably add some young professionals to the YTS squad who reached the last eight in the FA Youth Cup.

Of the eight teams in the tournament, five will be from France - Paris St Germain, Nice, Montpellier, St Etienne and a Regional Select side. Apart from ourselves, the visitors will be TJ Sigma Olomouc, from Czechoslovakia, and probably Eintracht Frankfurt, from Germany.

JOINING UP FOR THE CLASS OF 1992...

◆ **Seven school-leavers - six from the Merseyside area and one from the North East - will be joining us next season as YTS trainees.**

The newcomers, all aged 16, are as follows...

RICHARD EMERY: Forward, from Brookfield High School, Kirkby. Represented Kirkby, Knowsley and Merseyside.

PETER HOLCROFT: Left midfield, from

St Richard's High School, Skelmersdale. Represented West Lancs and Lancashire.

ALAN McMAHON: Forward, from St Mary's College, Wallasey. Represented Wirral and Merseyside.

CHRIS PRICE: Midfield, from Dey's High School, Maghull. Represented Sefton and Merseyside. Reached final trials for England Under-15s.

SEAN ROBERTS (Right midfield) and ALEC SMITH (Left back): Both from All Saints High School, Kirkby. Both represented Kirkby, Knowsley and Merseyside.

DEAN SMITH: From West Denton High School, Newcastle-on-Tyne. Represented Newcastle and Northumberland. Fractured a leg earlier this season but is now playing again.

We have also taken a group of 14-year-olds on schoolboy forms.

Gavin McCann, from Carr Hill High School, Kirkham, and Ben Singleton, from St Bede's High School, Lytham, are from the Blackpool Boys side.

Edward Hussin, from Broadgreen High School, and Bart McHugh, from Walton Comprehensive, have represented Liverpool Boys.

EVERTON BRIEF FOR U.S. LAWYER...

◆ **The top lawyer in the United States is an English football follower - and an Everton supporter!**

This "hands across the sea" link was discovered by our Deputy Chairman, Mr Desmond Pitcher, on a recent visit to America.

The Everton scarf was brought out in

YORKSHIRE SCOUT IS TO RETIRE...

◆ **An Everton representative who played an important part in the signing of Ian Snodin and Stuart McCall is to retire after 29 years with the club.**

Jock Robertson, a Scotsman who was with Bradford City at one time, covered the Yorkshire area on a part-time basis after being appointed by manager Harry Catterick in the early 1960s.

Former chief scout Harry Cooke says: "Jock worked for us at all levels but his main role was in assessing senior players.

"He watched Ian Snodin quite a lot and recommended him strongly. Living in Bradford, he soon let us know about Stuart McCall. He was always on about what a good player Stuart was."

Every football club needs loyal servants such as Jock Robertson and we would like send our best wishes to him, on behalf of the directors, management and players at Goodison Park. Thanks again, Jock.

Baltimore for a photograph (below) of Mr Pitcher's meeting with Mr J.M. McWilliams, who is President of the US Bar Council and thus the leading member of his profession.

Mr McWilliams (on the left in the picture) travelled to Wembley to see the Blues in the 1989 FA Cup Final.



**EVERTON 2
OLDHAM ATHLETIC 1**

◆ Peter Beardsley was back among the goals with two against Oldham last weekend.

Below: It's celebration time for the two Peter's, Beardsley and Beagrie.

Right: Mark Ward takes on Andy Barlow.

Far right: John Ebbrell, eyes on the ball, prepares to shoot.

Bottom right: That man Beardsley again, taking on one of Oldham's ex-Everton brigade, Mike Milligan.



ANSWERS PLEASE...

◆ **Attention - all soccer quiz enthusiasts! We have 15 copies of a new book to give away in a simple competition.**

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ONE: In which South American city would you find the Maracana Stadium?

TWO: Which Scottish club side plays at Hampden Park?

THREE: Which club did Everton beat in the 1985 Cup-winners' Cup Final?

FOUR: Which former manager of Scotland claimed to have had "more clubs than Jack Nicklaus"?

FIVE: Which former German player and national manager was known as "Der Kaiser"?

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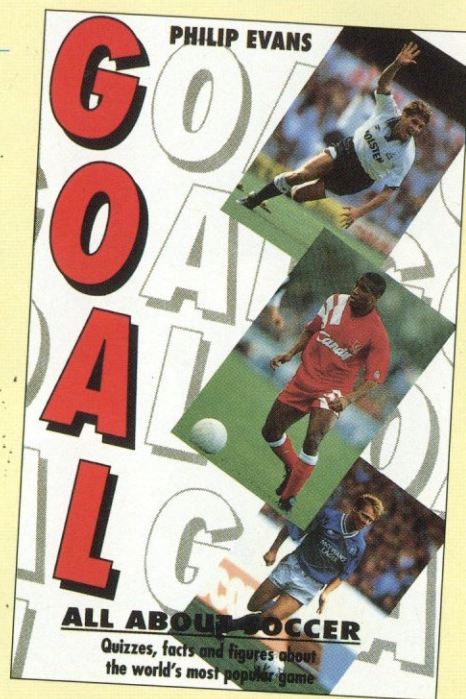
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SAME AGAIN

◆ **In recent issues, we have been advertising a super stock-taking sale at the Souvenir Shop.**

The latest news from the shop can be found on Page 22 but here's a tip for a special bargain. If you want to buy an away shirt now, you should have no worries... we can confirm that this season's yellow strip will be worn by the team in 1992-93.

There will be no change in the design, so a shirt bought today will be up-to-date tomorrow AND next season!

GO TO THE RACES

◆ **Tonight's the night for a Race Night at Everton Supporters' Club, 38-50 City Road, Liverpool 4.**

First race at 8.30 p.m. PLUS disco.

NORMAN'S GAME

◆ **The Testimonial Match planned for Norman Whiteside will be played on one of two dates.**

Everton will meet Manchester United at Old Trafford on either Sunday 3rd May or Monday 4th May, depending on United's League commitments at the end of the Championship race.

BIRTHDAY GREETINGS

◆ **Congratulations from all at Goodison Park to Stephen Jones, of Ringway, Neston, on reaching his 21st birthday on Monday 2nd March.**

His sister, Lesley, tells us: "Stephen has never missed a home game since he was 14 years old. I think he deserves to have a special birthday message in the programme that he can keep."

CUP COMPETITION

◆ **A season of early upsets clearly made life difficult for the many Evertonians who entered our annual competition to name the four FA Cup semi-finalists.**

We can tell you that only ONE supporter went into the sixth round with as many as three teams still in contention.

Better still for this competitor, the draw kept all three selections apart. We hope to announce the winner in our next programme.

The prize for the Second Division club making most progress was down to three

entrants - two who named Sunderland, another who went for Portsmouth.

There was a popular choice among those attempting to find the most successful club from the Third Division or below.

Drawn from the 13 contenders who chose Bolton Wanderers, the winner of a £10 Souvenir Shop voucher is Brian Bunclark, of Petersfield Close, Netherton.

AWAY TICKETS

◆ **Tickets for forthcoming away matches can be purchased in advance from the Main Box Office in Goodison Road.**

Notts County v Everton (Tuesday 17th March, 7.45 p.m.): Seat tickets, £11.00. Cash at gate for terraces, £7.00.

Norwich City v Everton (Saturday 21st March, 3.00 p.m.): Stand tickets, £13.00. Cash at gate for terraces, £8.00.

Crystal Palace v Everton (Saturday 4th April, 3.00 p.m.): Stand tickets, £10.00. Terrace tickets available on the day of the game from the Crystal Palace Box Office, £7.00.

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The application envelope should always be marked with the name of the club we are visiting.

COACH TRAVEL

◆ **Bookings for the official Everton coach travel service can be made at the Promotions Office.**

Notts County v Everton: Fare £8.50. Depart 4.30 p.m.

RING REQUEST

◆ **'Sixties winger Tommy Ring is the subject of a request from the author of articles for the Clyde FC programme and the supporters' fanzine, "Clyde-o-Scope".**

Paul J. Pettigrew, Chapelmount, 16 Laurieknowe, Dumfries DG1 7AJ, writes: "I would like to do a short feature on Tommy Ring's sojourn at Goodison in the early 60s, including stats on the games played, period with Everton, goals scored, his reputation with club/fans etc, and where he went to after Everton. Any such information would be very welcome."

Mr Pettigrew would like to hear from anyone who may be able to add to the basic facts that we have given him, i.e. Tommy came to Goodison from Clyde in January 1960 and left for Barnsley in November 1961.

He scored six goals in 27 League games for the Blues (no cup appearances) and played in 21 League matches (1 goal) for Barnsley.

Norwich City v Everton: Fare £12.50. Depart 9.00 a.m.

Crystal Palace v Everton: Fare £12.00. Depart 9.00 a.m.

Departure times from Goodison Road. Add approximately 10 minutes for pick-up point at The Jolly Miller and 15 minutes for Opposite Rocket Hotel (M62).

BLUES BY ROAD

◆ **Notts County v Everton**

The route for this match was published in our programme v Q.P.R. on 8th February.

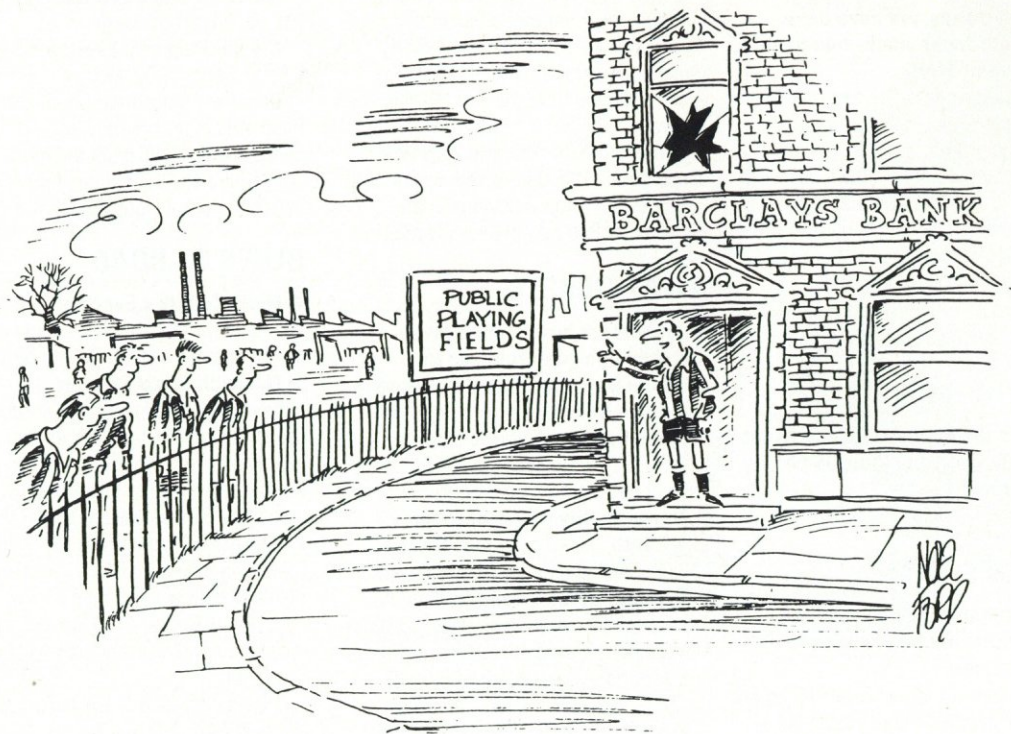
◆ **Norwich City v Everton**

Leave by M62. Follow signs Manchester, Leeds, Hull to junction 33. Leave motorway (signs The South) to join A1. In 9.3 miles, forward to join A1(M) to motorway terminal roundabout. Take second exit A1. Junction for Newark. Follow signs Sleaford A17. Junction for Sleaford. Follow signs King's Lynn, Boston A17. Sutton Bridge. In 11.4 miles, at roundabout, take second exit A47 (signs Swaffham).


Junction for Swaffham. Follow signs Norwich A47. Junction for East Dereham. In 14.3 miles, at roundabout, take second exit A1074. In 1.2 miles, at crossroads, turn left A147. 0.3 mile farther, at roundabout, turn right. At next two roundabouts, keep forward. In 0.5 mile, at roundabout, turn right. In 0.9 mile, turn left into Carrow Road. Norwich City FC is on the right.

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LUTON'S HONOURS LIST

- Best in Division One: 7th, 1986-87.*
- Division Two Champions: 1981-82.*
- Division Two Runners-up: 1954-55, 1973-74.*
- Division Three (South) Champions: 1936-37.*
- Division Three Runners-up: 1969-70.*
- Division Four Champions: 1967-68.*
- FA Cup Runners-up: 1959.*
- League Cup Winners: 1987-88.*
- League Cup Runners-up: 1988-89.*
- Simod Cup Runners-up: 1987-88.*
- Record League Victory: 12-0 v Bristol Rovers, Division Three (South), April 1936.*
- Record Cup Victory: 15-0 v Great Yarmouth, FA Cup, November 1914.*

FORM GUIDE

◆ Luton Town left Goodison Park last May knowing that for the second year in a row they had to win their last game in the First Division survival stakes.

Beaten by a goal from Tony Cottee, they set off home watching the TV on the team coach as their closest rivals, Sunderland, drew level on 34 points - and goal-difference - with a 0-0 draw in a tea-time game with champions-elect Arsenal.

In a sudden-death situation a week later, the Hatters beat Derby County, Sunderland lost at Manchester City, and so First Division football was retained at Kenilworth Road for a 10th consecutive season.

The present campaign has been equally difficult, mainly because they have still not won an away game since in the 44 weeks since that last visit to Goodison. In fact, the barren run stretches to 21 games in a year since their last victory, at Aston Villa on 9th March 1990.

In that time there were five draws, 16 defeats and 54 goals conceded, but be warned... these statistics hardly represent a fair reflection of much-improved travelling performances in recent times.

Hatters fans must have been close to despair when a potential eight points were lost in the space of 17 minutes' football after their side had been in front in the first three games of the New Year.

Nottingham Forest equalised in injury-time, Liverpool scored twice in the last five minutes and then Sheffield Wednesday overturned a 2-1 deficit with two goals in the last 11 minutes. Even a 4-0 defeat at Manchester City was widely regarded as an injustice, with most newspapers naming City 'keeper Tony Coton as man of the match.

Luton then took a point at Crystal Palace and gave a good account of themselves at Elland Road before Leeds scored twice in the last half-an-hour.

Leading up to Christmas, the Bedfordshire club went 14 games without a win in all competitions, but the position eased considerably after they had introduced the experience of Leeds midfielder Chris Kamara and Forest goalkeeper Steve Sutton.

In three months on loan, Sutton conceded only 18 goals in 14 League games and Luton pulled themselves off the bottom of the table thanks to a ▶

Back row (left to right): Julian James, Sean Farrell, David Beaumont, Graham Rodger, Alec Chamberlain, Darron McDonough, Marvin Johnson, John Dreyer, Richard Harvey. Front row: Kurt Nogan, Ceri Hughes, Jason Rees, David Preece, Mark Pembridge, Kingsley Black (now Nottingham Forest).



EVERTON

LUTON TOWN

... Continued from overleaf
good run at Kenilworth Road. They won five home games out of seven, beginning with clean sheets against Coventry City, Arsenal and Chelsea in a nine-day period.

They climbed another place last Saturday with a 1-1 draw against Crystal Palace, but only three points covered the bottom four prior to another home game against Tottenham in mid-week.

TRANSFERS

◆ **With home attendances averaging below 10,000, it has been necessary to top up the turnstile income with the sale of leading players.**

Since last season, Luton raised more than £2m in this way (See Diary Highlights) and released around £1m for team-building. A third of the available resources was used to bring Mick Harford back to the club in a £325,000 deal with Derby County.

The 33-year-old striker enjoyed some of his most successful times in a previous spell at Kenilworth Road. He won a Littlewoods Cup medal in 1988 - and now he is re-united with Brian Stein, a two-goal matchwinner on that Wembley occasion against Arsenal.

South African-born Stein left Luton at the end of that season to try his luck in French football. He was with Caen and Annecy for three years before returning last summer.

Unfortunately, Luton have only seen a glimpse of the potential of striker Philip Gray. A £275,000 signing from Spurs in the summer, the Ulsterman scored six goals in 13 outings but picked up a knee injury which eventually required surgery.

Skipper Trevor Peake had an eventful start to this season. One week, he helped Coventry to a 5-0 win against Luton, and the next, he made his debut for the Hatters after a £100,000 transfer.

Another early-season newcomer was at the club for a matter of weeks. Steve Thompson arrived from Bolton for

◆ **MAL DONAGHY**, now with Manchester United, is the most capped player in Luton's history. He made 58 of his 74 appearances for Northern Ireland in 12 years with the Hatters.

£180,000 and then joined Leicester in exchange for two young players - full back Des Linton and forward Scott Oakes.

Midfielder Chris Kamara is lapping up his first extended run in the First Division at the age of 34. After making more than 500 appearances in the lower sections, he had a taste of the top level with Leeds before leaving Yorkshire for £150,000 in November.

INTERNATIONALS

◆ **Mark Pembridge inflicted the Republic of Ireland's first home defeat in six years - thanks to a helping boot from Neville Southall!**

Playing in only his second international for Wales, the 21-year-old midfielder latched on to a long clearance from the Everton 'keeper and fired home the winning goal in Dublin last month.

Pembridge was selected for the Welsh 'B' side last season after only four First Division appearances, but that quickfire promotion to international football was beaten by a clubmate. Darren Salton, 20 next week, had still to start a League game at the time he made his Scottish Under-21 debut against Denmark in February.

Another Luton youngster, Paul Telfer, was also named in the Scottish squad, but unfortunately, the call came when he was struggling to shake off a foot injury which interrupted a 20-match run in the club side.

Pembridge is the only current full international on the Hatters' books. Mick Harford (two caps in 1988) and Brian

POST-WAR MANAGERS AT KENILWORTH ROAD

1939-47	George Martin
1947-58	Dally Duncan
1959-60	Syd Owen
1960-62	Sam Bartram
1962-64	Bill Harvey
1964-66	George Martin
1966-68	Allan Brown
1968-72	Alec Stock
1972-78	Harry Haslam
1978-86	David Pleat
1986-87	John Moore
1987-90	Ray Harford
1990-91	Jim Ryan

David Pleat appointed June 1991

RECORD SPOT

◆ **Luton's biggest defeat in the League Cup came at Goodison Park in September 1968. Joe Royle (2), Alan Ball, Jimmy Husband and Johnny Morrissey scored for the Blues.**

Stein, who made one appearance in France in 1984, represented England in their first spells at Kenilworth Road.

MANAGEMENT

◆ **After a five-year break with Tottenham and Leicester, David Pleat resumed the job he first took on when Luton were in the Second Division.**

He described it as "like calling or a mission in life" after re-signing for the club which he took to promotion and then into the top half of the First Division in his first spell as manager.

Moving on to Tottenham in 1986, he guided Spurs to the FA Cup Final and a Littlewoods Cup semi-final in his one full season at White Hart Lane. They were fourth in the League when he left in October 1987. Two months later, he returned to his native East Midlands as manager of Leicester City. A three-year term at Filbert Street ended last January.

In June, he was back at Kenilworth Road as successor to Jim Ryan, who was one of three managers Mr Pleat's time away from the club. John Moore led the Hatters to a best-ever seventh place and Ray Harford's side won the Littlewoods Cup on one of three visits to Wembley.

Mr Pleat began his playing career with his hometown club, Nottingham Forest, and then spent three years with Luton before going on to Shrewsbury, Exeter and Peterborough. After going into management with non-League Nuneaton Borough, he arrived at Luton as a member of Harry Haslam's coaching staff. He became manager for the first time in January 1978.

RECORD SPOT

◆ **JOE PAYNE** netted 10 goals against Bristol Rovers in April 1936 but that wasn't his best scoring season. In the following year, he hit 55 - more than half of a club record total of 103 goals in Division Three (South).



Brian Stein returned to Kenilworth Road after a spell in France

1991-92 DIARY NOTES

JUNE

7 Colin Murphy, previously manager at Derby, Stockport and Lincoln, is named as David Pleat's assistant.

JULY

26 Lars Elstrup, top scorer with 18 goals last season, returns to Denmark with Odense.

AUGUST

11 Former England midfielder Steve Williams joins Exeter City after being granted a free transfer in May.

24 Back on a grass pitch and with away supporters re-admitted to Kenilworth Road, the Hatters continue a good record against Liverpool... They have lost only one of their last six home games with the Reds.

31 Northern Ireland winger Kingsley Black joins Nottingham Forest for £1.5m... Philip Gray scores Luton's first goal in five games but they go down 4-1 at Chelsea.

SEPTEMBER

4 Lee Glover, on loan from Forest, plays in the season's first win, against Southampton.

11 Mark Pembridge wins his first full cap for Wales in a win against Brazil.

14 Mick Harford scores twice in the last five minutes on his second debut for the club.

20 The Hatters are now wearing USA on their shirts... it stands for Universal Salvage Auctions.

OCTOBER

8 Gray scores his third goal in two legs of a Rumbelows Cup-tie with Birmingham City but the Third Division side go through.

17 Mr Pleat says, "We just couldn't turn the offer down," as Matthew Jackson moves to Everton for £600,000... Defender Dave Beaumont joins Hibs for £110,000.

NOVEMBER

2 Chris Kamara's debut day is spoiled when Robert Warzycha scores a winning goal for Everton.

30 Paul Telfer's first League goal is worth a point at Sheffield United.

DECEMBER

19 Striker Sean Farrell joins Fulham for £100,000 after a month's loan.

29 With wins against Arsenal and Chelsea in three days, Luton take the Barclays Performance of the Week award.

JANUARY

13 Defender Graham Rodger completes a £135,000 transfer to Grimsby half-way through a loan period with the Second Division club.

FEBRUARY

22 Brian Stein's first English League goal for nearly four years helps Luton pull three points clear of bottom club Southampton.

MARCH

5 Goalkeeper Mervyn Day, 36, is signed on loan from Leeds United as a replacement for Steve Sutton, who returned to Forest and then joined Derby for £300,000.

EVERTON v LUTON TOWN FACTS & FIGURES

◆ Our full record against the Hatters is:

	P	W	D	L	F	A
Division One	31	15	4	12	47	34
Division Two	6	1	3	2	8	11
FA Cup	4	3	1	0	11	3
League Cup	2	2	0	0	8	1
Simod Cup	1	0	0	1	1	2
TOTAL	44	21	8	15	75	51

LEAGUE LANDMARKS

Biggest victory: 5-0, home, 1982-83.
Heaviest defeat: Never by more than a two-goal margin.
Last home win: 1-0, 1990-91.
Last away win: 1-0, 1991-92.
Last home draw: 2-2, 1959-60.
Last away draw: 1-1, 1990-91.
Last home defeat: 0-2, 1988-89.
Last away defeat: 0-1, 1988-89.

LAST HOME LEAGUE MEETING

Saturday 4th May 1991
 EVERTON 1 LUTON TOWN 0
 Cottee 19,809 HT 0-0

EVERTON: Southall, Ebbrell, Hinchcliffe, Ratcliffe, Watson, Atteveld, Warzycha, McCall, Newell, Cottee, Beagrie.
 LUTON: Chamberlain, Beaumont, Harvey, McDonough, Rodger (sub: James), Dreyer, Elstrup, Preece, Farrell (sub: Nogan), Pembridge, Black.

Tony Cottee (pictured here) scored the only goal of the game when the Hatters last came to Goodison.



LUTON ROLL CALL

Player/ Birthplace/Birthdate	Previous Clubs	League Career		1991-92 Lge/Cups	
		Apps	Gls	Apps	Gls
JAMIE CAMPBELL Birmingham, 21.10.72	-	9	-	3(8)	-
ALEC CHAMBERLAIN March, 20.6.64	Ipswich, Colchester, Everton	298	-	21	-
MERVYN DAY Chelmsford, 26.6.55	West Ham Utd, Orient, Aston Villa, Leeds	620	-	1	-
JOHN DREYER Aston Villa, Leeds	Wallingford, Oxford United	203	12	34	2
PHILIP GRAY Belfast, 2.10.68	Tottenham Hotspur	26	3	11(2)	6
MICK HARFORD Sunderland, 12.2.59	Lincoln, Newcastle, Bristol City, Birmingham, Luton, Derby	473	162	22	9
RICHARD HARVEY Letchworth, 17.4.69	-	96	2	25(1)	2
CERI HUGHES Pontypridd, 26.2.71	-	30	1	6(7)	-
JULIAN JAMES Tring, 22.3.70	-	59	2	20	-
CHRIS KAMARA Middlesbrough, 25.12.57	Portsmouth, Swindon, Portsmouth Brentford, Swindon, Stoke, Leeds	558	68	19	-
DES LINTON Birmingham, 5.9.71	Leicester City	14	-	2(1)	-
DARRON McDONOUGH Antwerp, 7.11.62	Oldham Athletic	288	19	9	-
KURT NOGAN Cardiff, 9.9.70	-	33	3	7(10)	2
SCOTT OAKES Leicester, 5.8.72	Leicester City	20	2	12(6)	2
TREVOR PEAKE Nuneaton, 10.2.57	Nuneaton Borough, Lincoln, Coventry City	477	13	30	-
MARK PEMBRIDGE Merthyr, 29.11.70	-	50	3	36	2
DAVID PREECE Bridgnorth, 28.5.63	Walsall	323	13	27(4)	2
DARREN SALTON Edinburgh, 16.3.72	-	1	-	1(2)	-
BRIAN STEIN Capetown, 19.10.57	Edgware Town, Luton, Caen, Anancy	427	129	26(6)	1
PAUL TELFER Edinburgh, 21.10.71	-	21	1	21(3)	2

ALSO PLAYED: Tim Allpress 1 app; Dave Beaumont (to Hibernian) 8(2) apps; Kingsley Black to Nott'm Forest 4 apps; Sean Farrell (to Fulham) 3(1) apps; Lee Glover (on loan from Nott'm Forest) 1 app; Paul Holsgrove (released) 1 app; Matthew Jackson (to Everton) 9(2) apps; Jason Rees 1(1) apps; Graham Rodger (to Grimsby) 13(1) apps; Steve Sutton (on loan from Nottingham Forest) 14 apps; Steve Thompson (to Leicester) 7 apps; Martin Williams 1 app.
 League Career covers English & Scottish Leagues (including substitute appearances) but does NOT include games on loan for other clubs this season. 1991-92 figures for Barclays League, Rumbelows League Cup, Zenith Data Systems Cup & FA Cup.
 (Up to and including Saturday 7th March)

THE HATTERS' RESULTS SO FAR

Date	V	Opponents	Res	Att	Scorers
Aug 17	A	West Ham Utd	0-0	25,079	
Aug 21	A	Coventry City	0-5	10,084	
Aug 24	H	Liverpool	0-0	11,132	
Aug 27	A	Arsenal	0-2	25,898	
Aug 31	A	Chelsea	1-4	17,457	Gray
Sep 4	H	Southampton	2-1	8,055	Gray Harvey
Sep 7	A	Wimbledon	0-3	3,231	
Sep 14	H	Oldham Ath.	2-1	9,005	Harford 2
Sep 17	H	Q.P.R.	0-1	9,985	
Sep 21	A	Manchester U.	0-5	46,491	
Sep 25	H	Birmingham(RLC)	2-2	6,315	Gray Nogan
Sep 28	H	Notts County	1-1	7,629	Gray
Oct 5	A	Aston Villa	0-4	18,722	
Oct 8	A	Birmingham(RLC)	2-3	13,252	Gray 2
Oct 19	H	Sheffield Wed	2-2	9,401	Harford Nogan
Oct 22	A	Ipswich(ZC)	*1-1	5,750	Telfer (*lost on pens)
Oct 26	A	Norwich City	0-1	10,514	
Nov 2	H	Everton	0-1	8,022	
Nov 16	A	Tottenham	1-4	27,543	Harford
Nov 23	H	Manchester C.	2-2	10,031	Harford Dreyer
Nov 30	A	Sheffield Utd	1-1	21,804	Telfer
Dec 7	H	Leeds United	0-2	11,550	
Dec 20	H	Coventry City	1-0	7,533	Harford
Dec 26	H	Arsenal	1-0	12,655	Harford
Dec 28	H	Chelsea	2-0	10,738	Harvey Dreyer pen
Jan 1	A	Nottm Forest	1-1	23,809	Pembridge
Jan 4	A	Sheff. Utd(FAC)	0-4	12,201	
Jan 11	A	Liverpool	1-2	35,095	Tanner og
Jan 18	H	West Ham Utd	0-1	11,088	
Feb 1	A	Sheffield Wed	2-3	22,291	Preece Oakes
Feb 8	H	Norwich City	2-0	8,554	Preece Harford
Feb 15	A	Manchester C.	0-4	22,137	
Feb 22	H	Sheffield Utd	2-1	9,003	Stein Harford
Feb 25	A	C.Palace	1-1	12,109	Pembridge pen
Feb 29	A	Leeds United	0-2	28,231	
Mar 7	H	C.Palace	1-1	8,591	Oakes

DOWN THE YEARS

FIVE YEARS AGO

EVERTON 3 SOUTHAMPTON 0
 Wright og 26,564
 Power Watson

EVERTON: Southall, Stevens, Van den Hauwe, Ratcliffe, Watson, Reid (sub: Harper), Steven, Heath, Clarke, Snodin, Power.

NORWICH 0 LUTON 0

LUTON: Sealey, Breacker, Johnson, Nicholas, North, Donaghy, Hill, B.Stein, Newell, Harford, Grimes.

TEN YEARS AGO

EVERTON 2 MIDDLESBROUGH 0
 Higgins 15,807
 Sharp Hill

EVERTON: Southall, Borrows, Bailey, Higgins, Wright, Richardson, Irvine, Heath, Sharp, McMahon (sub: Ainscow), Ross.

LUTON 0 WREXHAM 0

LUTON: Findlay, Stephens, Aizlewood (sub: Bunn), Horton, Goodyear, Donaghy, Hill, Stein, White, Antic, Moss.

FIFTEEN YEARS AGO

EVERTON 0 LIVERPOOL 0
 56,562

EVERTON: Lawson, Darracott, Pejic, Lyons, McNaught, King, Kenyon (sub: Telfer), Dobson, Latchford, Rioch, Pearson.

LUTON 1 PLYMOUTH 1
 Aston Foster 12,793

LUTON: Aleksic, Price, Buckley, Chambers, Faulkner, P.Futcher, Husband, West, Geddis, Fuccillo, Aston.

TWENTY YEARS AGO

EVERTON 1 MAN. CITY 2
 Lyons T.Wright og
 44,646 Hill

EVERTON: West, Scott, H.Newton, Kendall, Kenyon, Harvey, Kenny, Darracott, Lyons, T.Wright (sub: Whittle), B.Wright.

LUTON 1 BURNLEY 0
 Busby 8,490

LUTON: Barber, John Ryan, Shanks, Keen, Garner, Slough, Jimmy Ryan, Court, Anderson, Busby, Givens.

KEY TO INFORMATION IN EVERTON ROLL CALL (right):

1st line = League games. 2nd line = Cup games.
 Cup career figures include FA Cup, Football League knock-out competitions, Europe, FA Charity Shield, Screen Sport Super Cup and Mercantile Centenary Trophy. Other career figures include Scottish League and Cup appearances and games while on loan from Everton.

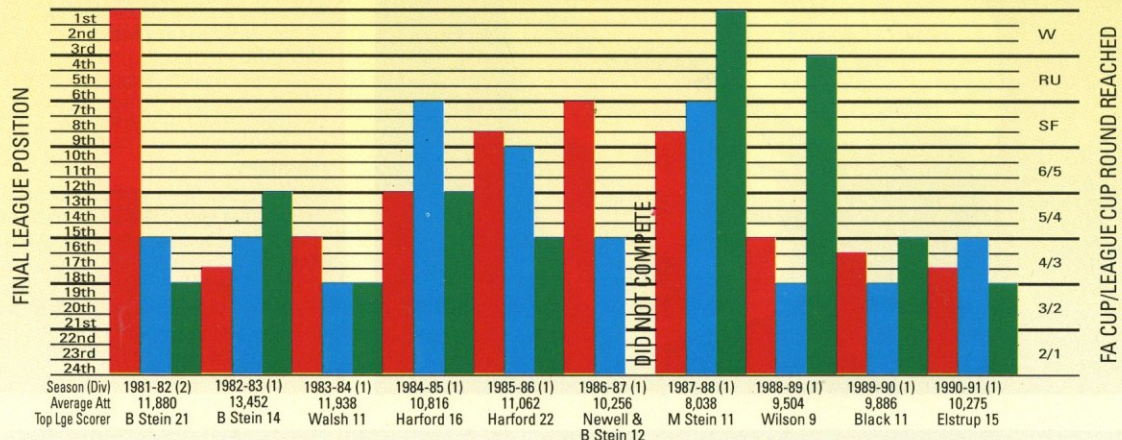
EVERTON ROLL CALL

	1991-1992		Everton Career		Other Career	
	Apps	Gls	Apps	Gls	Apps	Gls
GARY ABLETT Liverpool, 19.11.65	7	1	7	1	120	1
RAYMOND ATTEVELD Amsterdam, 8.9.66	7(5)	-	40(10)	1	1	-
STUART BARLOW Liverpool, 16.7.68	-	-	-	-	-	-
PETER BEAGRIE Middlesbrough, 28.11.65	12(6)	1	40(14)	3	176	22
PETER BEARDSLEY Newcastle, 18.1.61	32	11	32	11	382	129
TONY COTTEE West Ham, 11.7.65	16(6)	8	96(18)	44	212	92
JOHN EBBRELL Bebington, 1.10.69	32	1	80(9)	4	-	-
DAVID GOULDSTONE Bebington, 19.12.72	-	-	-	-	-	-
ALAN HARPER Liverpool, 1.11.60	19(4)	-	122(28)	4	213	5
ANDY HINCHCLIFFE Manchester, 5.2.69	14(2)	-	35(2)	1	112	8
MATTHEW JACKSON Leeds, 19.10.71	20	1	20	1	13	-
IAIN JENKINS Whiston, 24.11.72	-	-	-	-	-	-
MAURICE JOHNSTON Glasgow, 30.4.63	14	4	14	4	298	147
JASON KEARTON Ipswich, Australia, 9.7.69	3	-	3	-	26	-
MARTIN KEOWN Oxford, 24.7.66	30	-	70(4)	-	157	4
MIKE McDONOUGH Ormskirk, 25.9.72	7	-	23(1)	-	29	2
NEIL MOORE Liverpool, 21.9.72	-	-	-	-	-	-
PAT NEVIN Glasgow, 6.9.63	3(9)	1	77(27)	15	267	53
JOHN O'NEILL Liverpool, 14.11.72	5(1)	-	31(10)	6	64	12
GERRY PEYTON Birmingham, 20.5.56	-	-	-	-	588	-
PHIL QUINLAN Southport, 17.4.71	-	-	-	-	8	2
KEVIN RATCLIFFE Mancot, 12.11.60	8(1)	-	356(3)	2	-	-
IAN SNODIN Thrybergh, 15.8.63	2	-	132(1)	-	-	-
NEVILLE SOUTHALL Llandudno, 16.9.58	32	-	361	-	48	-
MARK WARD Huyton, 10.10.62	8	-	135	-	5	-
ROBERT WARZYCHA Wielun, Poland, 20.8.63	27	4	27	4	304	37
DAVE WATSON Liverpool, 20.11.61	5	-	5	-	64	4
DAVID WILSON Liverpool, 27.10.72	22(7)	3	29(8)	5	-	-
OWN GOALS	3(2)	-	6(2)	2	-	-
	32	3	196(1)	16	212	11
	8	1	67	8	44	4

ALSO PLAYED: Neil McDonald (to Oldham Athletic) 1(4) League apps. Mike Newell (to Blackburn) 8(5) apps, 1 goal (Lge) & 3(1) apps, 2 gls (Cup); Kevin Sheedy (to Newcastle United) 16 apps, 1 goal (Lge), 3 apps (Cup); Eddie Youds (to Ipswich Town) 1(1) Cup apps.

(Up to and including Tuesday 10th March, 1992)

LUTON'S TEN YEAR LEAGUE & CUP RECORD Red (League), Blue (FA Cup), Green (League Cup)



BRIAN HARRIS

◆ In a long career at Goodison Park Brian Harris won League championship and FA Cup medals, yet but for a typing error might well have been playing for his first love -

Liverpool.

He was born in Port Sunlight and was playing for his home-town club in the West Cheshire League as a 15-year-old when he was spotted by an Anfield scout and invited to Melwood for training.

"That was a great day for me," Brian told us. "I was Liverpool daft and remember crying when they were beaten by Arsenal in the 1950 FA Cup Final. I can still reel off the Reds' team that played at Wembley.

"I trained at Melwood a couple of nights a week then after about a fortnight received a letter asking me to report one Saturday afternoon at 3.30 to play in a match.

"I told my father, who had played Rugby League for Warrington, that I wouldn't go, explaining that it was clear Liverpool wanted me to play the second half only.

"So I turned out for Port Sunlight instead and that day an Everton scout saw me and asked if I would be interested in a trial.

"Everton were playing a friendly at Chester on the Monday, I played on the

wing and scored two in a 5-1 win. The following day I signed for Everton and that was the first time I had ever been to Goodison Park."

Now comes the sting in the bizarre start to Brian Harris' career as a professional footballer.

He revealed, "I found out some time later that Liverpool had wanted me for the whole of their trial match and that due to a typing mistake I was to have reported to Melwood at 2.30 and not 3.30."

Despite his Liverpool leanings Brian settled down quickly and recalls, "People like Cyril Lello, Peter Farrell, Tommy Eglington and Dave Hickson made me feel at home at Goodison.

"Dave, who came from near me at Ellesmere Port, was a tremendously popular player on the pitch and a terrific bloke off it. He eventually played for Liverpool but was always an Evertonian at heart.

"And I never thought that one day an Everton captain - Brian Labone - would be best man at my wedding."

The young Harris was still a teenager when he made his debut in August 1955 on the same day as his namesake Jimmy. An added coincidence was that they both came from "over the water" with the result that many people thought, wrongly, they were related.

Yet their friendship remains to this day with their love of golf being a factor. Both are single figure players - Brian has been as low as 2 - and only recently he travelled from his Chepstow home to play with Jimmy on the Wirral.

Brian went on to play 358 League and Cup games for the club, establishing himself as a left-half many thought good enough to play for England.

Among them was Ray Wilson, the World Cup-winning left back who played behind Brian, and he said, "I often felt he was unlucky not to be capped by his country."

And Brian Labone says, "Brian was a much under-rated player although his team mates appreciated the terrific job he could do in any position."

Before settling down in the no. 6 shirt Brian played in every position except centre-half and centre-forward. He reminded us, "I even played in goal for part of a match when somebody was hurt at Blackburn."

His conversion from winger also came about through injury. Said Brian, "We were playing in a reserve match with Jimmy Tansey at left-back, John Bramwell at left-half and me at outside-left. When Jimmy had to go off we all dropped back a position and suddenly I was a left-half."

Having to do two years National

"Brian was a much under-rated player although his team mates appreciated the terrific job he could do in any position."

- BRIAN LABONE

Service interrupted Brian's career although he managed a few games in the reserves when he was on leave.

In 1963 he collected a League championship medal and three years later was in the side that lifted the FA Cup. "That was a brilliant day," he says. "Even better than winning the League because I only played about half the matches that season as Everton had signed Tony Kay from Sheffield Wednesday."

◆ Shortly after the Wembley triumph Brian moved to Cardiff City where he became captain and led them to the semi-finals of the European Cup-winners Cup.

They were beaten 4-3 on aggregate by Hamburg and one of Brian's colleagues was a certain John Toshack who went on to enjoy a great career with Liverpool.

"Tosh was always destined to do something in the game," says Brian, "as he was an intelligent chap on and off the pitch.

"He used his strengths to form a great partnership with Kevin Keegan. Then when he went to manage in Portugal he learned their language and did it all again in Spain. He deserves everything he has got."

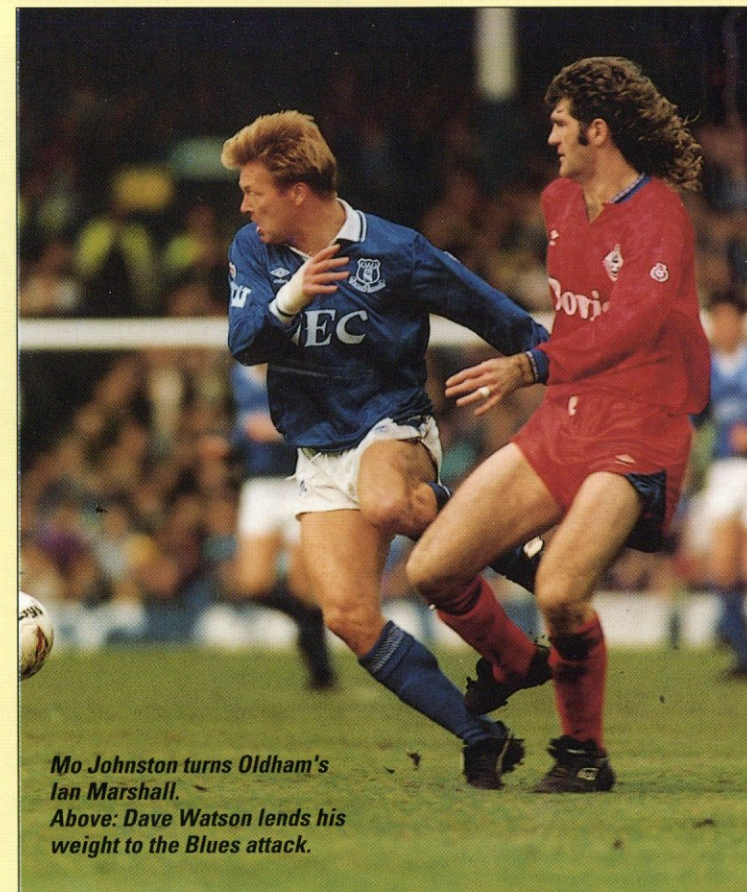
After leaving Cardiff Brian spent three years at nearby Newport where he became player-manager before hanging up his boots at the age of 40 having notched up a career record of 544 League appearances.

He ran a pub in Chepstow for four years before returning to Cardiff's coaching staff for a short spell before going into his current partnership with an insurance brokers.

Yet Brian still keeps in touch with Merseyside, where he has family, and still follows Everton.

"I attended a Graeme Sharp testimonial dinner at Southport not so long back," he says, "and all the 1966 Cup-winning team were there bar Mike Trebilcock who lives in Australia.

"I really enjoyed that because it brought back a lot of memories."



Mo Johnston turns Oldham's Ian Marshall.
Above: Dave Watson lends his weight to the Blues attack.



Brian (3rd from the left, back row) is pictured here with the 1963 championship-winning squad.

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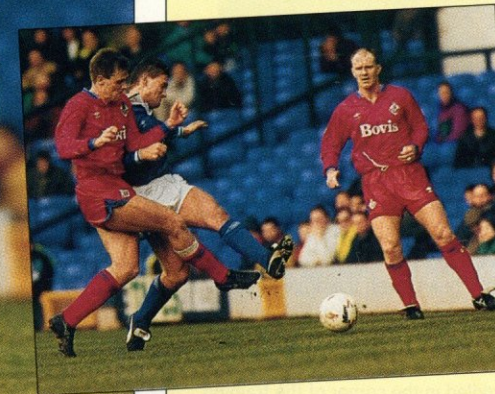


◆ Further action from last week's 2-1 win against Joe Royle's Oldham.

Left: The afternoon's goalscorers, Craig Fleming and Peter Beardsley.

Below: Neil McDonald gets a tackle in on Andy Hinchcliffe.

Bottom: Mike Milligan and John Ebbrell can-can, can't they?



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BLUE MAIL

◆ **The Letter of the Month series will close for the season with an autographed football for March and a Souvenir Shop voucher for April/May.**

Write to: Blue Mail, Everton FC, Goodison Park, Liverpool L4 4EL.

From: Stan Osborne, Sutton Coldfield...

"Smashing bloke that Howard Kendall, smashing bloke." My mum was speaking after Howard had given me a lift from Bellefield to my home in Kirkby (which was out of his way) after having treatment for our respective injuries, one wet and miserable Sunday morning.

It was 1971. He was at his peak as a player in the Everton Championship-winning team and I was an apprentice who had been given the dreaded news a few days earlier, by Harry Catterick, that I hadn't made it to the full professional ranks.

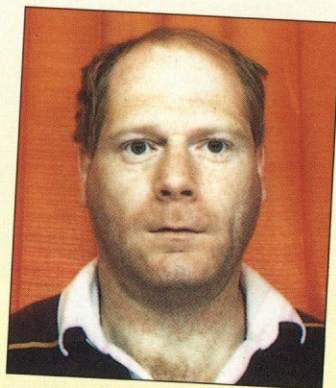
Huddled in the corner of the training ground car park that Sunday morning, waiting for Norman Borrowdale, the club physio, to arrive, I watched as Howard's

blue Jaguar turned up. The driver's window was wound down and an invitation to jump in out of the weather accepted gratefully. The next 10 minutes were about to have an influence on the rest of my life.

Howard had asked what I was going to do at the end of the season when my contract expired. Thanks to Everton's policy of allowing apprentices to attend day-release college, I had secured enough exam passes to gain an interview at Teacher Training College.

"Right," said Howard, "Monday morning after training, I'll fix you up with a chat to Dai Davies. He's a qualified teacher so he'll be able to give you some advice about college interviews."

He did and with Dai's help, I got to college and I'm a deputy head in the Midlands now. That kind of personal touch has been the hallmark of Howard's career both as a player and as a manager, bringing with it the success it deserves. If we Evertonians are patient, the success and the trophies will return to Goodison because Howard Kendall is a great manager and, as my mum said, "He's a smashing bloke."



FAN FILE

No. 21: DAVID APPLETON

Occupation: Process operator.
Address: Great Sutton, South Wirral.
Length of time supporting Everton: 22 years.
Favourite player (past): Joe Royle.
Favourite player (present): Dave Watson.
Best goal seen by an Everton player: Trevor Steven in the 4-0 win over Sunderland, 1985.

Favourite other team: Celtic.
A player you would pay extra to watch: Lothar Matthaus.
Favourite sports programme on TV: Question of Sport.
Favourite sports personality: Frank Bruno.
Sports personality who gets on your nerves: Jimmy Hill.
Improvements desired at football grounds: I go in the Family Enclosure - that's what I call ideal.
A football law you would like to change: I would make the off-side line the 18-yard box.
Favourite features in the Everton programme: Howard Kendall and Goodison Greats.
A feature which would improve the programme: I think it's good enough as it is.

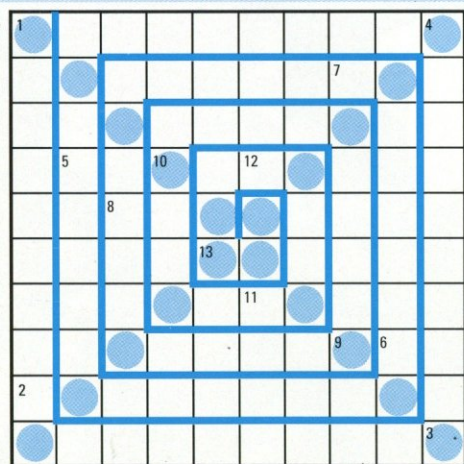
Your all-time Everton team: Neville Southall, Tommy Wright, Pat Van den Hauwe, Kevin Ratcliffe, Brian Labone, Howard Kendall, Peter Reid, Trevor Steven, Joe Royle, Gary Lineker, Kevin Sheedy. Subs: Martin Keown, Graeme Sharp.
Favourite match of the past: The Cup-winners' Cup semi-final, 1985 - the atmosphere was electric.
Earliest memory of Everton: Being in the Boys' Pen with my brother, Carl, when my dad used to take us to the match. I think Joe Royle scored with a diving header against Leeds. I'm not sure of the year.

SPIRAL PUZZLE

◆ **Complete the grid in a spiral direction. When the grid has been completed, the arrowed diagonals will reveal the names of two Everton players of the 70s.**

See facing page for answers

- 1991 Leyland Daf runners-up (8)
- Ex-Evertonian Swedish international (6,4)
- He played in the 1980 and 1991 FA Cup Finals (4,5)
- Club managed by John Toshack between 1978-84 (7,4)
- Arsenal and England man (5,8)
- Stoke's nickname (7)
- Spurs' Icelandic international defender (8)
- Club managed by John Sillett (8)
- PFA Young Player of the Year in 1986 (4,6)
- Goal-scoring cousin on No. 3 (5)
- Beagrie or Beardsley (5)
- Mr Caesar of Cambridge (3)
- Neil of Hibernian, formerly with West Ham (3)



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◆ **Andrew Ashton**, East Hunsbury, Northampton, has for sale a collection of Everton programmes and memorabilia, 1978-88. Contact 051-727 0938.

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Diagonals: Trevor Ross and Peter Scott.

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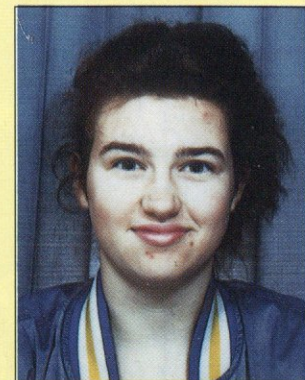
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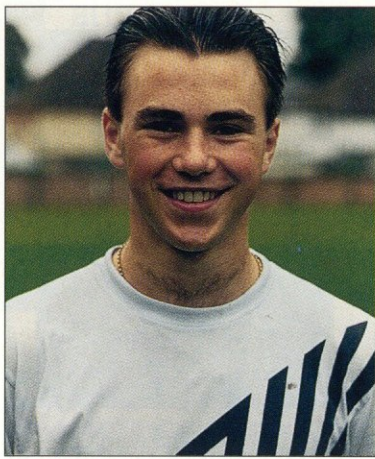
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No. 5: STEPHEN REEVES

Position: Goalkeeper.
Birthplace: Dagenham, Essex.
Birthdate: 24th September 1974.
Mother: Sylvia. *Brothers:* Robert and Paul.
Family connections with football: Brother Robert represented Essex Boys and had England Schools trials before playing for West Ham Youth and Reserves.
Junior school: Valance, Barking & Dagenham.
Senior school: Robert Clack, Barking & Dagenham.
Schoolboy representative honours: Barking & Dagenham, London, Essex and England (seven caps).
Junior teams: Senrab, Barking Colts.
First link with Everton: Ray Hall invited me for a trial.
Player you most admire: Neville Southall.
Career choice if not a footballer: Something to do with football.

PONTINS CENTRAL LEAGUE FIXTURES 1991-92

Aug 21	A	Rotherham United	3-1
Sep 5	A	Manchester City	1-4
Sep 10	H	Coventry City	1-1
Sep 14	A	Manchester United	3-1
Sep 26	H	Nottingham Forest	1-1
Oct 2	A	Newcastle United	1-2
Oct 8	H	Bradford City	1-0
Oct 12	A	Sheffield Wednesday	3-2
Oct 19	A	Aston Villa	2-2
Oct 24	H	West Bromwich A.	2-1
Nov 5	A	Sheffield United	0-2
Nov 13	A	Sunderland	2-1
Nov 20	A	Leeds United	0-0
Nov 26	H	Bolton Wanderers	1-4
Dec 4	A	Barnsley	1-2
Dec 11	H	Blackburn Rovers	0-0
Jan 7	H	Rotherham United	3-4
Jan 21	H	Manchester United	1-3
Feb 1	H	Aston Villa	1-4
Feb 5	A	West Bromwich Albion	0-0
Feb 8	A	Liverpool	0-4
Feb 11	H	Leeds United	0-1
Feb 19	A	Bolton Wanderers	2-2
Feb 25	H	Barnsley	1-3
Mar 4	A	Blackburn Rovers	1-4
Mar 12	H	Sheffield Wednesday	
Mar 17	H	Sunderland	
Mar 21	H	Liverpool	
Mar 24	A	Coventry City	
Mar 31	H	Manchester City	
Apr 8	A	Nottingham Forest	
Apr 14	H	Sheffield United	
Apr 23	H	Newcastle United	
Apr 28	A	Bradford City	

YTS APPEARANCE RECORDS 1991-92

(Up to and including Saturday 7th March)

Player	Birthdate	Birthplace	'A' Team		'B' Team	
			Apps	Gls	Apps	Gls
Drew Bayley	6.9.73	Whiston	11	1	15	-
John Carridge	7.10.74	Southport	5	-	14	-
John Doolan	7.5.74	Liverpool	20	1	3	-
Anthony Grant	14.11.74	Liverpool	12(2)	3	10(1)	1
Terry Jones	3.12.74	Liverpool	10(3)	5	16(2)	7
Billy Kenny	19.9.73	Liverpool	21	6	4	3
Eddie Langton	30.7.74	Liverpool	12(1)	-	8	-
Barry Norris	25.11.73	Liverpool	15(1)	6	13	6
Mark Powell	8.5.75	Chester	6(3)	-	20	-
Chris Priest	18.10.73	Leigh	15	5	3	2
Stephen Reeves	24.9.74	Dagenham	15	-	5	-
Glenn Renforth	3.9.74	Newcastle	2(2)	-	12(1)	1
Carl Ruffer	20.12.74	Chester	3(1)	-	17(1)	8
Mark Sharrock	13.2.74	Ormskirk	4(4)	-	14(1)	-
Paul Tait	24.10.74	Gateshead	2	1	12(3)	2
David Unsworth	16.10.73	Preston	20(1)	4	5	1
Lee Williams	9.10.74	Liverpool	3(2)	-	13(2)	-
Kenny Woods	15.4.74	Liverpool	15(3)	2	6	3

'A' Team records include FA Youth Cup and League Cup.

LANCASHIRE LEAGUE 'A' TEAM FIXTURES 1991-92

Aug 24	H	Preston NE 'A'	3-2
Aug 31	A	Chester City 'A'	4-0
Sep 6	A	Morecambe Res	2-1
Sep 14	A	Manchester C. 'A'	0-9
Sep 21	H	Burnley 'A'	2-2
Sep 28	A	Oldham Ath. 'A'	3-1
Oct 5	H	Marine Res	3-3
Oct 12	A	Blackburn Rov. 'A'	2-5
Oct 19	H	Crewe Alex. 'A'	1-3
Nov 2	A	Tranmere Rov. 'A'	1-2
Nov 9	H	Oldham Ath. 'A'	5-1
Nov 16	A	UMIST	0-1
Nov 23	H	Liverpool 'A'	3-1
Nov 25	A	Barnsley (FAYC 2)	2-1
Nov 30	A	Burnley 'A'	2-3
Dec 7	H	Manchester Utd 'A'	2-2
Dec 14	A	Liverpool 'A'	0-0
Dec 28	A	Marine Res	3-0
Jan 4	H	Blackburn Rovers 'A'	2-4
Jan 11	H	Sheffield Utd (FAYC 3)	1-1
Jan 15	A	Sheffield Utd (FAYC 3R)	3-2
Jan 28	A	Arsenal (FAYC 4)	2-1
Feb 8	A	Manchester Utd. 'A'	0-4
Feb 10	H	Oldham Ath. (LC 2)	2-0
Feb 15	A	Preston NE 'A'	1-0
Feb 22	A	Crewe Alex. 'A'	1-4
Feb 26	A	Tottenham H. (FAYC 5)	0-4
Feb 29	H	Morecambe Res	5-2
Mar 7	H	UMIST	4-1
Mar 11	H	Chester City 'A'	
Mar 14	H	Tranmere Rov. 'A' (LC S/F)	

LANCASHIRE LEAGUE 'B' TEAM FIXTURES 1991-92

Aug 24	A	Manchester C. 'B'	0-2
Aug 31	H	Rochdale 'A'	1-1
Sep 7	A	Burnley 'B'	10-1
Sep 14	H	Stockport Co. 'A'	0-3
Sep 21	H	Tranmere Rov. 'B'	4-0
Sep 28	A	Blackburn Rov. 'B'	1-3
Oct 5	A	Blackpool 'A'	1-2
Oct 12	H	Marine Youth	0-2
Oct 19	A	Wigan Athletic 'A'	2-1
Nov 2	H	Liverpool 'B'	1-3
Nov 9	A	Manchester U. 'B'	0-3
Nov 11	A	Carlisle United 'A'	1-0
Nov 16	A	Preston NE 'B'	0-0
Nov 23	A	Bury 'A'	2-1
Nov 30	H	Bury 'A'	3-1
Dec 14	H	Manchester City 'B'	5-1
Dec 28	H	Burnley 'B'	5-2
Jan 4	A	Liverpool 'B'	1-1
Jan 18	H	Blackburn Rovers 'B'	9-1
Feb 1	H	Preston NE 'B'	4-2
Feb 8	H	Carlisle United 'A'	0-2
Feb 15	H	Manchester Utd 'B'	2-2
Feb 22	H	Blackpool 'A'	1-3
Feb 29	A	Marine Youth	3-1
Mar 14	A	Tranmere Rov. 'B'	
Mar 21	H	Wigan Athletic 'A'	
Mar 28	H	Crewe Alex. 'B'	

◆ After disappointments in the Lancashire League - and in particular the FA Youth Cup - the YTS squad picked themselves up with 11 goals in three wins.

On the week-end after going out of the cup at Tottenham, the youth players were divided between the 'A' and 'B' teams for a pleasing double.

Coach Dave Fogg was delighted with the first-half performance against Morecambe Reserves - "the best since I've been here," he said.

"Jimmy Gabriel and myself worked with the lads on the training ground on Friday and it paid off because they did exactly what we wanted. You couldn't fault the way they applied themselves."

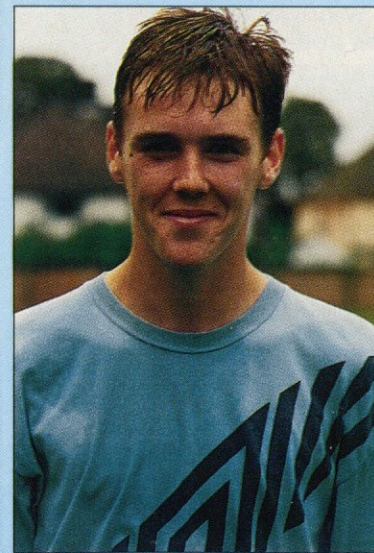
Obviously, it helps the trainees to be mixed in with young professionals, and it was the most experienced player, Stuart Barlow, who applied the decisive touch with a hat-trick. His second goal was the best - a left-foot volley from a cross by David Gouldstone.

MATCH DETAILS

Saturday 29th February 1992
 LANCASHIRE LEAGUE - DIVISION ONE
Everton 'A' 5 Morecambe Res. 2
 Scorers: Barlow 3, O'Neill, Kenny.

Team: Carridge, Wilson, Unsworth, Priest, Jenkins, O'Neill (sub: Langton), McDonough (sub: Woods), Kenny, Barlow, Quinlan, Gouldstone.

◆ Paul Tait scored twice - his first goals in the 'B' team - as the younger side overcame a strong wind and a bumpy pitch to beat Marine Youth.



PLEASING DOUBLE

IN RESERVE

Development officer Ray Hall was equally pleased with this reaction to the cup defeat at White Hart Lane. He said: "You could talk about the quality of opposition not being so good, but Marine always give us a hard game.

"The level of commitment and attitude in our side was excellent. They all did well in conditions that were not conducive to good football.

"Now we must be looking to keep up this standard to the end of the season. We've got six games to play and a lot of performances to look at."

MATCH DETAILS

Saturday 29th February 1992
 LANCASHIRE LEAGUE - DIVISION TWO
Marine Youth 1 Everton 'B' 3
 Scorers: Tait 2, Ruffer.

Team: Degan, Powell, A. Smith, Bayley, Sharrock, Tait, Renforth, Norris, Ruffer, Williams, Jones. Subs (not used): Roberts, Holcroft.

◆ Last week's game with the First Division backmarkers, UMIST, brought four more goals for the 'A' team.

The first-half showing was up to expectations but Dave Fogg was a little disappointed that his side did not turn the screw in the second period.

"The game was virtually over at half-time," he said. "We were three up and really we should have gone on to take the opposition apart. We got round the back of their defence often enough but didn't finish them off.

"UMIST got a goal back from an interception and it was just as well that Kenny Woods killed them off with a good individual effort."

MATCH DETAILS

Saturday 7th March 1992
 LANCASHIRE LEAGUE - DIVISION ONE
Everton 'A' 4 UMIST 1
 Scorers: Unsworth, Norris, Jones, Woods.

Team: Carridge, Wilson, Langton, Priest, O'Neill, Unsworth, Woods, Quinlan, Norris, Gouldstone, Jones. Subs (not used): Bayley, Powell.

Paul Tait (left) scored twice against Marine Youth.

◆ Stuart Barlow put the Reserves in front at Blackburn with a header from a flick-on by Peter Beagrie but the game slipped away from a young side in the second half.

Probably the turning point was an miss by Mike McDonough following a break by Barlow when it was still 1-0 soon after the break. McDonough's close-range shot hit the 'keeper on the foot.

Jimmy Gabriel reported: "The lads played well for an hour, but when Blackburn equalised, it opened the floodgates. They had loads of experience and made it count partly because we made one or two mistakes.

"Iain Jenkins and David Unsworth played exceptionally well at the back and could not be blamed for the goals we conceded.

"Jenkins went to centre back when John O'Neill went off feeling a bit dizzy after a bang on the head.

"We are close to the type of football I want to see, but it is difficult for young players to maintain it against experienced opposition.

"We need to get one or two more senior pros in the side."

MATCH DETAILS

Wednesday 4th March 1992
 PONTIN'S LEAGUE - DIVISION ONE
Blackburn Rovers Res 4 Everton Res 1
 Scorer: Barlow.

Team: Reeves, Wilson, Jenkins, O'Neill (sub: Langton), Unsworth, McDonough, Gouldstone, Kenny, Priest, Beagrie, Barlow. Sub (not used): Quinlan.

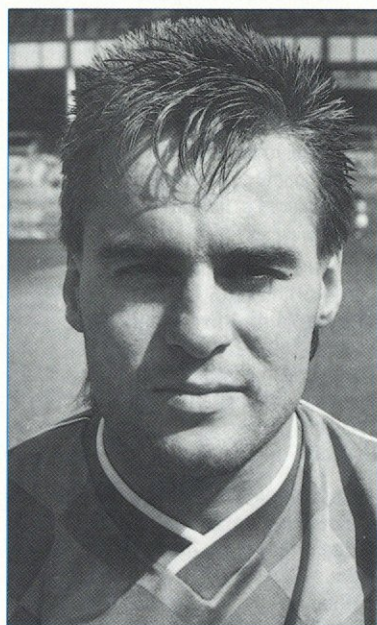
◆ A reasonably strong 'B' team went down to a very disappointing defeat at home to Blackpool three weeks ago.

MATCH DETAILS

Saturday 22nd February 1992
 LANCASHIRE LEAGUE - DIVISION TWO
Everton 'B' 1 Blackpool 'A' 3
 Scorer: Renforth.

Team: Carridge, Leeming, Jones, Sharrock, Tait, Norris, Renforth (sub: Holcroft), Powell, Ruffer (sub: Emery), Woods, Williams.

BUILDING FROM THE BACK



◆ The back four in Howard Kendall's first match as manager in August 1981 lined up as follows: Billy Wright, Mike Walsh, Mike Lyons and John Bailey.

Four years later Everton were crowned League Champions with this back line: Gary Stevens, Derek Mountfield, Kevin Ratcliffe and Pat Van den Hauwe.

Of course the re-building covered more than the defence. A whole new side was assembled in that time and the title was won by a blend of quality from Neville Southall to Graeme Sharp.

Yet it is true that most of the top managers have made the defence the foundation for ultimate success. When Brian Clough bought Peter Shilton in 1977, he said the goalkeeper's saves would match the points value of goals from his strikers. Nottingham Forest duly won the Championship in their first season back in the First Division.

In many ways, this formula was repeated at Everton - though not quite so quickly - when Southall came out of the Third Division and developed into a world-class goalkeeper behind a completely new back four.

The thinking is simplicity itself: if you don't concede a goal, you win a point; if you score once, you take all three.

Today Evertonians are looking for signs that history will repeat itself in Mr Kendall's second term of office. Again, priority has been given to the defence.

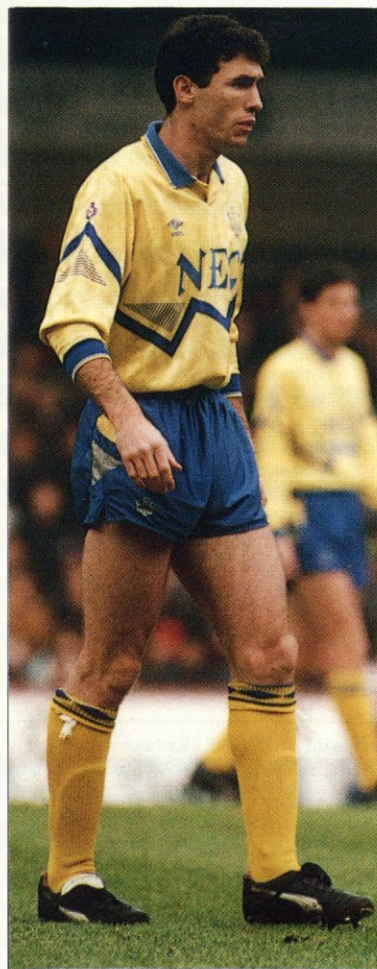
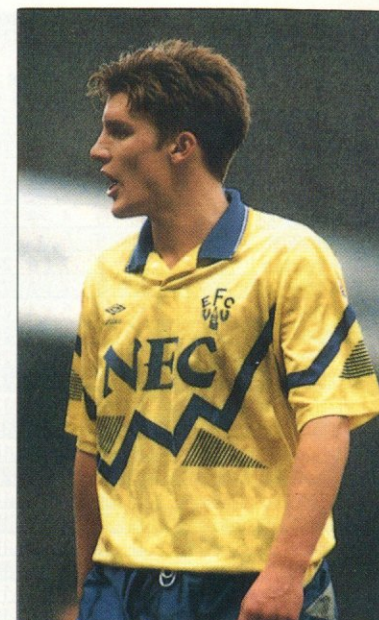
In his first match in November 1990, the re-appointed manager fielded this back four: Raymond Atteveld, Dave Watson, Kevin Ratcliffe and Martin Keown.

Watson and Keown remain but now they are partners in the middle, with the newcomers, Matthew Jackson and Gary Ablett, filling the full back positions.

In their first seven matches together - i.e. from the signing of Ablett in January - only four goals were conceded, and two of these came from unfortunate deflections. So far, so good.

One man who witnessed the development of the 1985 side can now see similarities in the present-day set-up. And Alan Harper has no doubts that Mr Kendall is on the right lines, even though the changes - as they did in the early 1980s - may have lessened his own chances of a first-team place.

He says: "If you sort out things at the back, you have half a chance. We have one of the best 'keepers in the world and if you get a solid back four in front of



Neville, then you can work from there.

"Results haven't been as good as we would have liked, but you have to remember that it takes time. We have so many new faces in the team that it's sometimes difficult to understand what they are going to do.

"But the defence is beginning to look good, and if the manager buys a couple more players, we'll have the nucleus of a big squad of internationals. Look at Manchester United: if someone gets injured, they have another top-class player to bring in.

"We had that sort of situation a few years ago, but at the moment, we are probably a bit short-staffed. We have put out reserve sides full of kids, yet in 1984-85, the reserves were so strong that it was difficult for young pros to get a game."

◆ Harper gave a wry smile when we mentioned the coincidence that in each of Mr Kendall's first full seasons with the club, he held down the No 2 shirt but later lost the position to emerging youngsters - Gary Stevens in 1983-84 and now Matthew Jackson.

This season has been different in that he has had more injury problems than ever before. Apart from knee and back troubles, he broke his nose and had his teeth smashed in - the latter damage being inflicted by an accidental punch by Southall.

"I was quite pleased about that because I did get up," he joked. "Neville must be losing his strength - a couple of years ago, he would have put me out for the count!"

Above all, Alan is a superb clubman. Ask him about losing the right back spot and he says: "If it ends up as it did in 1984, I won't be too worried. It's one of those things as far as I'm concerned. Young Matt has come in and he's done very well. At the time, I thought you couldn't get anything better than the 1985 defence because they complemented each other so well. It does make a difference to get a settled unit and I think that's where Dave Watson and Martin Keown have benefited this season.

"Now Gary Ablett has come in at left back and he has started very well. It's not easy for a player to move across the city. I did it myself, but I had never played in the first team at Liverpool, so the Everton supporters really didn't know me. It's probably a bit different for a player the fans have seen in derby games."

Alan is clearly optimistic for the future of the club. As he says: "The manager has done it before and I hope he does it again. I think he well."

Opposite: Kevin Ratcliffe, Pat Van den Hauwe Derek Mountfield and Gary Stevens.

Above: Gary Ablett, Dave Watson and Matthew Jackson. Left: Martin Keown.

BARCLAYS LEAGUE DIVISION ONE TABLE

	Home					Away					Pts	
	P	W	D	L	F	A	W	D	L	F		A
Leeds United	32	9	7	0	27	12	8	6	2	31	13	64
Manchester United	30	10	5	1	28	9	7	6	1	23	13	62
Sheffield Wednesday	31	10	4	2	33	21	5	5	5	17	21	54
Manchester City	32	10	3	3	24	13	5	5	5	21	26	53
Liverpool	30	9	4	2	23	13	3	9	3	12	14	49
Arsenal	31	9	5	2	34	16	3	6	6	19	20	47
Everton	32	7	7	2	24	12	4	4	8	17	23	44
Aston Villa	32	9	2	4	23	13	3	5	9	12	22	43
Wimbledon	32	8	5	4	25	16	2	7	6	13	20	42
Chelsea	32	5	7	4	25	24	5	6	6	16	22	42
Crystal Palace	32	5	5	6	20	24	5	7	4	23	28	42
Norwich City	31	7	5	3	22	16	3	6	7	18	25	41
Queen's Park Rangers	31	2	9	4	13	17	5	6	5	17	19	36
Oldham Athletic	33	7	5	4	31	27	3	2	12	16	27	37
Coventry City	31	5	5	6	16	10	4	4	8	13	20	36
Nottingham Forest	28	6	5	3	27	23	3	3	8	15	19	35
Tottenham Hotspur	29	4	2	9	18	20	6	3	5	19	19	35
Sheffield United	30	6	5	4	19	17	3	2	10	25	33	34
Notts County	31	5	4	6	18	20	2	5	9	12	22	30
Luton Town	32	7	5	4	18	14	0	4	12	8	42	30
Southampton	30	3	5	7	11	24	3	5	7	17	21	28
West Ham United	29	3	5	6	12	17	3	4	8	14	26	27

DIVISION ONE FACTS & FIGURES

(League games only)

Highest Attendance:
47,185 Man. Utd. v West Ham, 23.11.91

Lowest Attendance:
3,121 Wimbledon v Sheffield W, 2.10.91

Highest Home Score:
Arsenal 7 Sheffield Wed 1, 15.2.92

Highest Away Scores:
Sheff. Wed. 1 Leeds Utd. 6, 12.1.92
Oldham 3 Manchester Utd. 6, 26.12.91

Most Goals in a Match:
4 Gary Lineker (Spurs) v Wimbledon, 21.9.91
4 Ian Wright (Arsenal) v Everton, 21.12.91
3 Carlton Palmer (S Wed) v QPR, 31.8.91
3 Peter Beardsley (Everton) v Coventry, 21.9.91
3 Ian Wright (Arsenal) v Southampton, 28.9.91
3 Tony Cottee (Everton) v Tottenham, 5.10.91
3 Dennis Bailey (QPR) v Man Utd., 1.1.92
3 Lee Chapman (Leeds) v Sheff Wed., 12.1.92

ATTENDANCES

	Best	Average
Arsenal	42,074	31,425
Aston Villa	39,995	25,448
Chelsea	30,230	19,157
Coventry City	23,967	14,027
Crystal Palace	29,017	17,624
Everton	37,681	24,655
Leeds United	32,917	29,429
Liverpool	39,072	35,902
Luton Town	12,655	9,561
Manchester City	38,180	28,393
Manchester United	47,185	44,770
Norwich City	20,411	14,130
Nottingham Forest	30,168	23,594
Notts County	21,055	11,922
Oldham Athletic	18,952	15,104
Queens Park R.	21,693	12,638
Sheffield United	31,812	20,415
Sheffield Wed.	38,260	29,909
Southampton	19,264	15,279
Tottenham Hotspur	35,087	28,031
West Ham United	25,588	21,875
Wimbledon	15,009	7,091

Statistics up to and including Tuesday 10th March, 1992.

LEADING SCORERS

(Including Cup and European games)

25 Gary Lineker (Tottenham Hotspur)
21 Ian Wright* (Arsenal)
20 Brian McClair (Manchester United)
20 Dean Saunders (Liverpool)
19 Teddy Sheringham (Notts County)
18 Mark Bright (Crystal Palace)
18 Robert Fleck (Norwich City)
18 Alan Shearer (Southampton)
18 David White (Manchester City)
17 Mike Small (West Ham United)
16 Peter Beardsley (Everton)
16 David Hirst (Sheffield Wednesday)
16 Alan Smith (Arsenal)
15 Lee Chapman (Leeds United)
15 John Fashanu (Wimbledon)
15 Dwight Yorke (Aston Villa)
15 Matthew Le Tissier (Southampton)
* Includes goals with previous club.

PONTIN'S LEAGUE Division One

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Nottingham F.	24	16	5	3	57	23	53
Liverpool	25	16	3	6	44	28	51
Aston Villa	27	14	8	5	50	27	50
Barnsley	26	12	5	9	41	36	41
Blackburn R.	24	11	7	6	39	26	40
Manchester U.	24	12	4	8	45	38	40
Manchester C.	24	12	3	9	43	40	39
Leeds United	25	8	10	7	26	24	34
Sunderland	24	8	7	9	36	40	31
Coventry City	25	7	9	9	32	30	30
Bolton Wan.	25	7	9	9	38	40	30
Sheffield Utd.	24	6	10	8	29	36	28
Everton	25	6	7	12	31	49	25
Bradford City	23	8	0	15	37	44	24
Rotherham U.	21	7	3	11	31	45	24
Newcastle U.	25	5	7	13	31	52	22
Sheffield W.	24	5	6	13	27	38	21
W.B.Albion	23	5	5	13	27	48	20

FIRST TEAM FIXTURES 1991-92

Date	v	90-91	Opponents	Res	Att	Pts	Pos
Aug 17	A	1-3	Nottingham Forest	+1-2	24,422	0	-
Aug 20	H	1-1	Arsenal	3-1	31,200	3	-
Aug 24	H	0-1	Manchester United	0-0	36,085	4	9
Aug 28	A	-	Sheffield Wednesday	1-2	28,690	4	14
Aug 31	A	1-3	Liverpool	1-3	39,072	4	18
Sep 3	H	1-0	Norwich City	1-1	19,197	5	17
Sep 7	H	0-0	Crystal Palace	2-2	21,065	6	18
Sep 14	A	0-0	Sheffield United	1-2	19,817	6	19
Sep 17	A	0-1	Manchester City	1-0	27,509	9	18
Sep 21	H	1-0	Coventry City	3-0	20,542	12	14
Sep 24	H	-	Watford (RLC 2 1st Leg)	1-0	8,284	-	-
Sep 28	A	2-1	Chelsea	2-2	19,038	13	14
Oct 1	H	-	Oldham Athletic (ZC2)	3-2	4,588	-	-
Oct 5	H	1-1	Tottenham Hotspur	3-1	29,505	16	10
Oct 8	A	-	Watford (RLC 2 2nd Leg)	2-1	11,561	-	-
Oct 19	H	1-0	Aston Villa	0-2	27,688	16	14
Oct 26	A	1-1	Queen's Park Rangers	1-3	10,002	16	15
Oct 30	H	-	Wolverhampton W. (RLC 3)	4-1	19,065	-	-
Nov 2	A	1-1	Luton Town	1-0	8,022	19	12
Nov 16	H	1-2	Wimbledon	2-0	18,762	22	9
Nov 23	H	-	Notts County	1-0	24,230	25	9
Nov 27	A	-	Leicester City (ZC 3)	1-2	13,242	-	-
Nov 30	A	0-2	Leeds United	0-1	30,043	25	10
Dec 4	H	-	Leeds United (RLC 4)	1-4	25,467	-	-
Dec 7	H	-	West Ham United	4-0	21,563	28	7
Dec 14	A	-	Oldham Athletic	2-2	14,955	29	7
Dec 21	A	0-1	Arsenal	2-4	29,684	29	8
Dec 26	H	-	Sheffield Wednesday	0-1	30,788	29	9
Dec 28	H	2-3	Liverpool	1-1	37,681	30	10
Jan 1	A	4-3	Southampton	2-1	16,546	33	9
Jan 4	H	-	Southend United (FAC 3)	1-0	22,606	-	-
Jan 11	A	2-0	Manchester United	0-1	46,619	33	9
Jan 19	H	0-0	Nottingham Forest	1-1	17,717	34	10
Jan 26	A	-	Chelsea (FAC 4)	0-1	21,152	-	-
Feb 2	A	2-2	Aston Villa	0-0	17,451	35	9
Feb 8	H	3-0	Queen's Park Rangers	0-0	18,212	36	9
Feb 23	H	2-3	Leeds United	1-1	19,248	37	10
Feb 29	A	-	West Ham United	2-0	20,967	40	9
Mar 7	H	-	Oldham Athletic	2-1	21,004	43	7
Mar 10	A	1-2	Wimbledon	0-0	3,569	44	7
Mar 14	H	1-0	Luton Town				
Mar 17	A	-	Notts County				
Mar 21	A	0-1	Norwich City				
Apr 1	H	3-0	Southampton				
Apr 4	A	1-4	Crystal Palace				
Apr 11	H	1-2	Sheffield United				
Apr 18	A	1-3	Coventry City				
Apr 20	H	2-0	Manchester City				
Apr 25	A	3-3	Tottenham Hotspur				
May 2	H	2-2	Chelsea				

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	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	Sub	Sub
Aug 17	Southall	Harper	Ebbrell	Ratcliffe	Watson	Keown	Warzycha	Sheedy	Beardsley	Cottee	Ward	Nevin(7)	McDonald(11)
Aug 20	Southall	Harper	Ebbrell	Ratcliffe	Watson	Keown	Warzycha	Sheedy	Beardsley	Cottee 1	Ward 2	Nevin(11)	Newell
Aug 24	Southall	Harper	Ebbrell	Ratcliffe	Watson	Keown	Warzycha	Sheedy	Beardsley	Cottee	Ward	Nevin(7)	Newell(11)
Aug 28	Southall	Harper	Ebbrell	Ratcliffe	Watson 1	Keown	Warzycha	Sheedy	Beardsley	Cottee	Ward	Newell(10)	McDonald(7)
Aug 31	Southall	Harper	Ebbrell	McDonald	Watson	Keown	Ward	Beardsley	Newell 1	Cottee	Sheedy	Warzycha(10)	Ratcliffe(6)
Sep 3	Southall	Harper	Hinchcliffe	Ratcliffe	Watson	Ebbrell	Warzycha	Beardsley	Newell	Sheedy	Ward 1	Nevin	Cottee
Sep 7	Southall	Harper	Ebbrell	Ratcliffe	Watson	Keown	Warzycha 1	Beardsley 1	Newell	Sheedy	Ward	Nevin(7)	Hinchcliffe(2)
Sep 14	Southall	Atteveld	Hinchcliffe	Keown	Watson	Ebbrell	Warzycha	Beardsley 1	Newell	Sheedy	Ward	Cottee(11)	McDonald
Sep 17	Southall	Atteveld	Hinchcliffe	Ebbrell	Watson	Keown	Warzycha	Beardsley 1	Newell	Sheedy	Ward	McDonald(7)	Cottee
Sep 21	Southall	Atteveld	Hinchcliffe	Ebbrell	Watson	Keown	Warzycha	Beardsley 3	Newell	Sheedy	Ward	McDonald(10)	Cottee
Sep 24	Southall	Atteveld	Hinchcliffe	Keown	Watson	Ebbrell	Nevin	Beardsley 1	Newell	Sheedy	Ward	Cottee(11)	Youds
Sep 28	Southall	Atteveld	Hinchcliffe	Ebbrell 1	Watson	Keown	Warzycha	Beardsley 1	Newell	Sheedy	Nevin	Cottee(7)	Youds
Oct 1	Southall	Harper	Hinchcliffe	Ebbrell	Watson 1	Youds	Nevin	Beardsley	Newell 1	Cottee 1	Sheedy	Atteveld(9)	Barlow
Oct 5	Southall	Harper	Ratcliffe	Ebbrell	Watson	Keown	Warzycha	Beardsley	Cottee 3	Sheedy	Ward	Atteveld(10)	Newell(11)
Oct 8	Southall	Harper	Ratcliffe	Ebbrell	Watson	Keown	Warzycha	Beardsley 1	Cottee	Sheedy	Nevin	Newell(7) 1	Atteveld(6)
Oct 19	Southall	Jackson	Ratcliffe	Ebbrell	Watson	Keown	Warzycha	Beardsley	Cottee	Harper	Sheedy	Newell(3)	Atteveld(11)
Oct 26	Southall	Jackson	Hinchcliffe	Ebbrell	Watson	Keown	Warzycha	Beardsley	Cottee 1	Sheedy	Ward	Newell(7)	Atteveld(11)
Oct 30	Southall	Atteveld	Hinchcliffe	Ebbrell	Watson	Keown	Nevin	Beardsley 1	Cottee 1	Newell	Beagrie 2	Youds(9)	Warzycha(7) 1
Nov 2	Southall	Jackson	Hinchcliffe	Ebbrell	Watson	Keown	Nevin	Beardsley	Newell	Atteveld	Beagrie	Cottee(2)	Warzycha(7) 1
Nov 16	Southall	Jackson	Hinchcliffe	Ebbrell	Watson 1	Keown	Ward	Beardsley	Cottee 1	Harper	Beagrie	Sheedy	Warzycha
Nov 23	Southall	Jackson	Hinchcliffe	Ebbrell	Watson	Keown	Ward	Beardsley	Johnston	Cottee 1	Beagrie	Harper(9)	Warzycha (11)
Nov 27	Southall	Jackson	Hinchcliffe	Harper	Watson	Keown	Warzycha	Beardsley 1	Johnston	Cottee	Ward	Atteveld(2)	Warzycha(7)
Nov 30	Southall	Jackson	Harper	Ebbrell	Watson	Keown	Ward	Beardsley	Atteveld	Cottee	Beagrie	Warzycha(7)	Nevin
Dec 4	Southall	Ebbrell	Hinchcliffe	Ratcliffe	Watson	Keown	Ward	Beardsley	Johnston	Cottee	Atteveld 1	Harper(4)	Beagrie(10)
Dec 7	Southall	Jackson	Hinchcliffe	Ebbrell	Watson	Keown	Ward	Beardsley 1	Johnston 1	Cottee 1	Beagrie 1	Warzycha(7)	Harper
Dec 14	Southall	Jackson	Hinchcliffe	Ebbrell	Watson	Keown	Warzycha	Beardsley	Johnston	Sheedy 1	Beagrie	Nevin(7) 1	Harper(10)
Dec 21	Southall	Atteveld	Harper	Ebbrell	Watson	Jackson	Warzycha 1	Beardsley	Johnston 1	Sheedy	Beagrie	Cottee(10)	Nevin (11)
Dec 26	Southall	Jackson	Harper	Ebbrell	Watson	Keown	Warzycha						

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