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IAN BRANFOOT

Reading the tabloid Press on Thursday morning after the defeat at Norwich left me wondering if the players I know so well were the same as those who were castigated by the hacks and pilloried in the Press.

I make no excuses if players are proved to have stepped over the line of acceptable behaviour and broken the laws of the game. If so, they will be punished within the strict code of discipline within the club. Neil Ruddock will vouch for that!

We all accept that if we break the rules we get what we deserve, but why did no-one in the Press question the referee's behaviour? If the game was so dirty was it only Southampton players that were involved? Not one Norwich player was cautioned, yet the bruises on the legs of Iain Dowie and Alan Shearer will prove how they were tackled.

Our "thugs and hooligans" had previously played four equally competitive and emotive games and incurred only one two-point caution! Is that because we were angelic or because the referees handled the games differently?

We talk of Premier Leagues, we work in a multi-million pound industry, yet the people who control the games are amateurs. That goes against all logic to me. Professional referees have got to be better than amateurs and they would certainly be more accountable.

Way back in September we went to Luton and lost a game that we were controlling because of the dubious sending-off of Richard Hall. That was just after an FA directive had been



circulated concerning the "Professional Foul".

I said at the time that the clamour would soon die down and the sudden rush of dismissals would reduce to a trickle throughout the League, but how many vital points were lost in those initial four weeks when referees were applying the law to the letter?

I would hope that today's encounter will see all that is good in the English game. Because of the perilous situation that we both find ourselves in, I'm sure that the football will be competitive, but both sets of players will realise that they may be the focus of media attention, and hopefully discipline will be maintained.

Your support up at Carrow Road was quite magnificent and some more of the same today would be a significant and welcome tonic for our battleweary players!



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FRONT COVER: Matthew Le Tissier in action earlier this season at The Dell.

Welcome to The Dell



Luton Town, who have escaped relegation in each of the past three seasons only by winning their final game, are once again deeply involved in the battle for First Division survival. David Pleat, who returned for his second spell in charge at Kenilworth Road last summer, is under no illusions as to the size of the task before him.

In a bid to halt the Hatters' slide, David Pleat has used no fewer than 33 players in his first-team.

In August he shored up his defence with the signing of centre-back Trevor Peake from Coventry for £100,000. The following month he signed England striker Mick Harford from Derby for £300,000 and he later added midfielder Chris Kamara signed from Leeds for £150,000 - to his squad.

Other new arrivals are defender Des Linton and midfielder Scott Oakes, who both came from Leicester in exchange for Steve Thompson. Veteran goalkeeper Mervyn Day was signed on loan from Leeds earlier this month.

Luton have conceded more away goals (43) than any other club in the whole of the Football League and they are the only First Division club without an away win to their credit.

The Hatters' five away points were collected from drawn games at West Ham (0-0), Sheffield United (1-1), Nottingham Forest (1-1), Crystal Palace (1-1) and Everton (1-1).

All their other away League games

LUTON TOWN

ended in defeat at Coventry (0-5), 1 Arsenal (0-2), Chelsea (1-4), Wimbledon (0-3), Manchester United (0-5), Aston Villa (0-4), Norwich (0-1), Tottenham (1-4), Liverpool (1-2), Sheffield Wednesday (2-3), Manchester City (0-4) and Leeds (0-2).

The Hatters' FA Cup hopes were short-lived. They crashed at Sheffield United (0-4) in round three.

Luton were also beaten away to Third Division Birmingham (2-3) in the Rumbelows League Cup, losing the tie 4-5 on aggregate.

The Hatters drew at Ipswich (1-1) in the Zenith Data Systems Cup only to lose that tie 1-2 in the penalty shoot-out.

The Luton side is expected to be named from:

MERVYN DAY (Goalkeeper)

Mervyn was signed on loan from Leeds earlier this month. He first played League soccer for West Ham 19 years ago. With almost 200 League games behind him for the Hammers, he moved on to Orient for £100,000 in 1979. Aston Villa signed him in 1983 but he moved on to Leeds two years later. He played well over 250 senior games for the Peacocks before losing his place in

JULIAN JAMES (Defender)

Julian joined the club as a trainee and he was introduced to First Division football four seasons ago. He is now an England under-21 international

JOHN DREYER (Defender)

John was an apprentice with Oxford but played League soccer for both Torquay and Fulham, whilst on loan, during the 1985/86 season before getting his chance in the Oxford side

the following season. Luton signed him for £140,000 in 1988.

TREVOR PEAKE (Defender)

During his days with non-League Nuneaton, Trevor played for the England semi-professional XI. He made his League debut for Lincoln in 1979, moving on to Coventry four years later. Luton signed him for £100,000 during the early weeks of this season.

RICHARD HARVEY

(Defender) Richard is a one-time England youth international. He made his League debut in 1986 and for the past two seasons he has been a regular member of the side.

SCOTT OAKES (Midfield)

Scott developed in the junior teams at Leicester and he was blooded in their League eleven briefly during 1989/90. Luton signed him in an exchange deal in October this season.

CHRIS KAMARA (Midfield)

Chris was launched into the League game by Portsmouth in 1975. Swindon signed him two years later but he returned to Portsmouth in 1981. Within a few weeks he was on the move again - to Brentford. He later returned to Swindon, then had a spell with Stoke City before joining Leeds for £150,000 in 1990.

MARK PEMBRIDGE

(Midfield) Mark is a former Luton trainee. He made his senior debut against West Ham in the Zenith Cup in December 1990. He later won a regular place and played for Wales at

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"B" and under-21 levels before collecting his first full cap in Wales' victory over Brazil in September this season. Mark scored the winning goal against the Republic of Ireland in his second international last month.

DAVID PREECE (Midfield)

David made his League debut for Walsall in 1981, winning a regular place two years later. Luton invested £,150,000 when signing him in 1984 and he later played in two League Cup finals for the Hatters. David has been capped three times by England "B".

JAMIE CAMPBELL

(Midfield) Jamie, a former trainee, turned professional in July last year. He took his senior bow in a Zenith Cup tie at Ipswich in October and has since played more than half-a-dozen times, often as substitute.

PAUL TELFER (Midfield)

had made only one appearance in their First Division side, as substitute, prior to the start of this season. He has been holding his place for the past few weeks.

CERI HUGHES (Midfield)

Ceri is another former Luton trainee. He made his League debut against Aston Villa in March 1990 and enjoyed 17 outings in the Hatters' First Division side last season. He has recently been recalled to the squad.

BRIAN STEIN (Forward)

Brian returned to Luton last summer after spending the past three seasons in France. A Luton discovery, he was introduced to the Hatters' League side in 1977 and was their leading scorer on two occasions, form that won him an England cap. Brian scored two of the Wembley goals when Luton beat Arsenal in the League Cup final of 1988 and that proved to be his last game for the club for the time being. He was Paul is a former Luton trainee who transferred to SM Caen, then played under-21 cap last season.

for Annecy before returning to Kenilworth Road.

MICK HARFORD (Forward)

Mick is now in his second spell at Kenilworth Road. He was introduced to League soccer by Lincoln in 1977 and commanded a then record fee for a Fourth Division player when Newcastle signed him for £200,000 in 1981. He was soon on the move again, to Bristol City and to Birmingham before initially going to Luton in 1984. His scoring feats at Kenilworth Road earned him two England caps. Derby signed him for £480,000 in 1990. Since returning to Luton, Mick has become the club's top scorer with nine goals.

KURT NOGAN (Forward)

Kurt is a former trainee who turned professional in July 1989. He was a prolific scorer in the reserves and was elevated to the first team in January 1990. He won his first Wales



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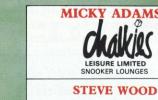
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After all the drama and heartbreak of Wednesday night, it's back to the First Division and another important match, this time against Luton.

It's one that's a bit special for for me because a couple of the Luton lads, Mick Harford and Trevor Peake, were with me in Lincoln. And Luton's current assistant manager, Colin Murphy, was our manager!

Mick's always been a dangerous player, who's strong in the air and holds the ball up well. Trevor is steady and experienced at the back.

Obviously, it's a big match for both teams. Luton play a lot of football, but Saints have been going well with three straight wins in the League.

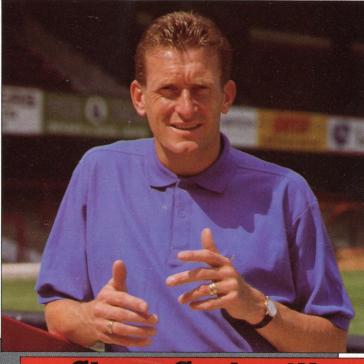
Those results have definitely taken some of the pressure off and we're now in a good position to get out of the relegation fight. We no longer have to rely on others, but neither can we afford to relax.

Matt Le Tissier's great volley decided the match against Crystal Palace, but once again we needed the cushion of a second goal. We missed chances and could have paid for it; Mark Bright should have done better with a clear chance for Palace.

Then, last Sunday, we won at Manchester City and showed we're not a kicking side. Iain Dowie's goal was a great header — he certainly went for it!

After that, we got numbers back, defended well and weren't in much trouble. Early on, Kevin Moore had

Captain'S ColumN



Glenn Cockerill

got in a goalline clearance after Tim Flowers made a fine stop. It was a brilliant journey

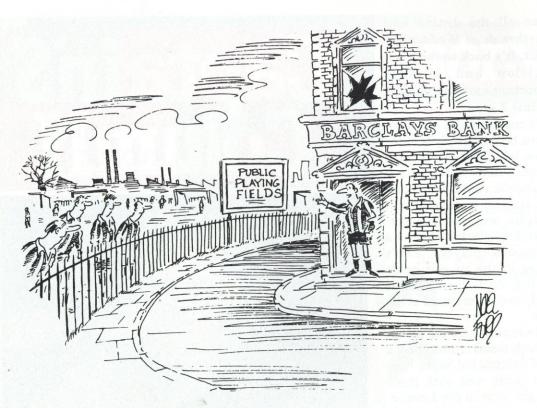
back home. Mind you, we've had a few of those this season!

But it wasn't so good after our midweek Cup defeat at Norwich. We were so disappointed - absolutely gutted.

We felt the game was ours after Neil Ruddock scored with a good header just before half-time and it's fair to say we were all very unhappy with the referee.

At the end, with only nine players, we couldn't afford to leave anyone up. It was a case of keeping the ball away and aiming for a penalty shootout. We nearly got there.

Anyway, it's not all gloom by any means. Now we want to keep up our encouraging League form and then it's a day out at Wembley in a week's time!



'The manager will be delighted to discuss more comprehensive insurance for the club and, yes we CAN have our ball back.'





Neil Ruddock received the Barclays League man-ofthe-match award, following Saints' 1-0 win over Manchester City which was televised 'live' from Maine Road.



STEVE MILLS LEUKAEMIA FUND

More than £1,100 was raised for the Steve Mills Leukaemia Fund at the Saints Executive Club's recent five-a-side tournament.

Jo Mills, widow of Steve, was presented with the cheque by former Saints favourite Jimmy Case after last week's First Division match against Crystal Palace.

Another ex-Saint, Kevin Bond, lent a hand by refereeing all the matches in the five-a-side tournament. In the final, Tomy Express won 3-2 against a combined team from Flix Holdings and Incare International.

More than 130 goals were scored by the nine competing teams at Oaklands Community School.



Smiles all round as Jo Mills receives a cheque for more than £1,100 in aid of the Steve Mills Leukaemia Fund. The money was raised by the Executive Club five-a-side tournament, organised by Stuart Deas (second right), of Hampshire Partitioning, and Bob Terris (left), of Meachers Group Holdings. Making the presentation is former Saints favourite Jimmy Case, while helping out is another ex-Saint, Kevin Bond, who refereed the competition.



Tomy Express goalkeeper and general manager Glenn Edwards receives the coveted trophy from Jo Mills and ex-Saint Kevin Bond. Completing the picture are Glenn's team-mates.





MATCHMAN OF THE MONTH

Saints' Barry Horne has been named Match Football Magazine's "Matchman of the Month" for February.

The midfielder gained two star ratings in four matches to pip Everton's Dave Watson.

SAINTS RESERVES

Saints Reserves will be at home to Bristol Rovers on Tuesday, April 14 in the semi-finals of the Reserve Team Cup.

The match, at Roadsea Park, will kickoff at 7.30 pm.

Saints Reserves' remaining home afternoon matches this season will start at 3 o'clock.

WIN OVER HOLLAND

Goalkeeper Neil Hopper, who is with Saints on associate schoolboy forms, made history recently when he helped England Schools to a 2-1 win over Holland in an Under-18 international at Leicester.

The six-footer from Southampton became the first product of the FA's School of Excellence at Lilleshal to play at that level.

"Neil did very well against Holland," says Saints' assistant-manager John Mortimore, "He kept England in it when they were 1-0 down.'

John Mortimore and Saints' vouth development officer, Stewart Henderson, travelled to Filbert Street for the match.

SENIOR CUP FINAL

The forthcoming Southampton Senior Cup final between Braishfield and Aerostructures Reserves has created more than a little interest at The Dell.

Saints chairman Guy Askham and assistant-manager John Mortimore both live at Braishfield and are hoping their village team win the Cup for the first time.

Braishfield, from Hampshire League Division 2, reached their first final by beating Winchester Castle 3-1 in the semi-finals.

The final will be played at The Dell

on a date to be arranged after Saints' last home match of the season. "I intend to be there with my Braishfield scarf on," laughs John Mortimore.

REARRANGED

Saints' visit to Manchester United, scheduled for April 11, is to be rearranged.

United face Nottingham Forest in the Rumbelows Cup final on April 12.

50th BIRTHDAY

Malcolm Taylor, known as "Woggy" to everyone at The Dell, celebrates his 50th birthday today.

The Saints matchday steward doubles up as chef on board the coach for away matches!

CONGRATULATIONS

Congratulations to Tim Flowers on a recent addition to his family.

The Saints goalkeeper's wife, Jane, gave brith to an 8lb 5oz girl, Katie Louise, at Winchester Hospital.

Jane and Tim have another daughter, Emma Jane, who is just over two years

SENT OFF

John Burridge, Hibernian's 40-year-old former Saints goalkeeper, was sent off for a professional foul in last Saturday's 1-0 Scottish Premier Division defeat at Dundee United.

QUIZ NIGHT

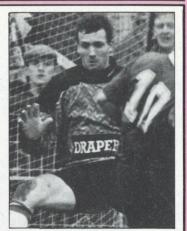
A big general quiz night is being held in the Saints Social Club on Wednesday, April 1. It is open to teams of four.

Sky Television, featuring top football, is proving a big hit in the Social Club.

DEDICATED **FAMILY AWARD**

The Menzies family from London, who are staunch Saints supporters, have been named as the winners of the national NISA Today's Dedicated Family Sports Supporters of the Year award!

They will receive their trophy and vouchers during half-time at The Dell today.



TIM FLOWERS 100th LEAGUE **APPEARANCE**

Saints striker Iain Dowie, who previously played for Luton and West Ham, was today due to make his 100th League appearance.

Saints goalkeeper Tim Flowers, who made his Wolves debut at 17, was set for his 199th League appearance. Tim has missed only one match this season.

PROGRAMMES WANTED

A football follower from Bristol will pay cash for pre-war FA Cup final programmes and pre-war League programmes.

Matthew Stevens lives at Cooks Folly, Cooks Folly Road, Sneyd Park, Bristol BS9 1PL.

MISSING SON

A couple living at Dewsbury in West Yorkshire are desperately trying to trace their missing son through Southampton Football Club.

James McNamara, 35, has been missing for nearly three years. A nurse, he followed Saints for many years while serving in the Royal Navy at Haslar Hospital. His parents say "he was quite fanatical about the club"

Would James McNamara please telephone his parents at Dewsbury or if anyone reading this knows James would they ask him to get in touch.

Personality SpoT

John Mortimore, 57, Saints' vastly-experienced assistant-

JOHN MORTIMORE

manager, is a footballing rarity who has been No. 2 to four different managers at the same club.

His three spells at The Dell span 24 years and before Ian Branfoot's arrival last summer he worked alongside Ted Bates, Lawrie McMenemy and Chris Nicholl.

"Although the four managers were very different, they were all very professional and not difficult to be an assistant to," says John. "You know, people in the game, managers, coaches and so forth, envy us working here. It's a caring club—very friendly, but very thorough. You appreciate the set-up all the more when you've been away and experienced other clubs.

"When I first came to Southampton in 1968 Ted Bates needed me mostly outside, training and coaching. Now my job is on the inside, controlling the scouting system, overseeing the youth policy, assessing future opponents and generally assisting the manager to manage a First Division club.

"When I joined Saints for the third time three years ago some standards had deteriorated, especially in the recruitment of schoolboy talent. But this club have a great record of producing their own talent and now I feel we're really on our way again."

His wide-ranging role entails driving around 35,000 miles during a season. He claims to be able to travel blindfold on the M3, provided the cones are positioned correctly!

Farnborough-born John Mortimore, a former England amateur international, has served 11 clubs in four countries since turning out for Aldershot Reserves as a 16-year-old grammar Schoolboy.

Having played for Woking, he joined Chelsea halfway through a two-year teacher's training course and spent a decade at Stamford Bridge. He made around 300 appearances, mostly at centre-half, was an ever-present in the 1963 promotion-winning team and played in the League Cup-

winning side two years later.

Soon after joining Queens Park Rangers he suffered a triple jaw fracture and quit playing at 31.

After two years as Sunderland coach, he spent three years at The Dell and helped Saints to qualify for Europe for the first time. That was followed by two spells as manager-coach of Greek club Ethnikos either side of 18 months as Portsmouth manager and then a highly-successful move to Portuguese giants Benfica.

He returned to England after three years in Lisbon and spent the next six years with Saints. Then he rejoined Benfica in 1985 only to resign two years later immediately after winning the League and Cup double following the ousting of the president who had taken him back. After short spells with Real Betis in Spain and Belenenses in Portugal he returned to The Dell again.

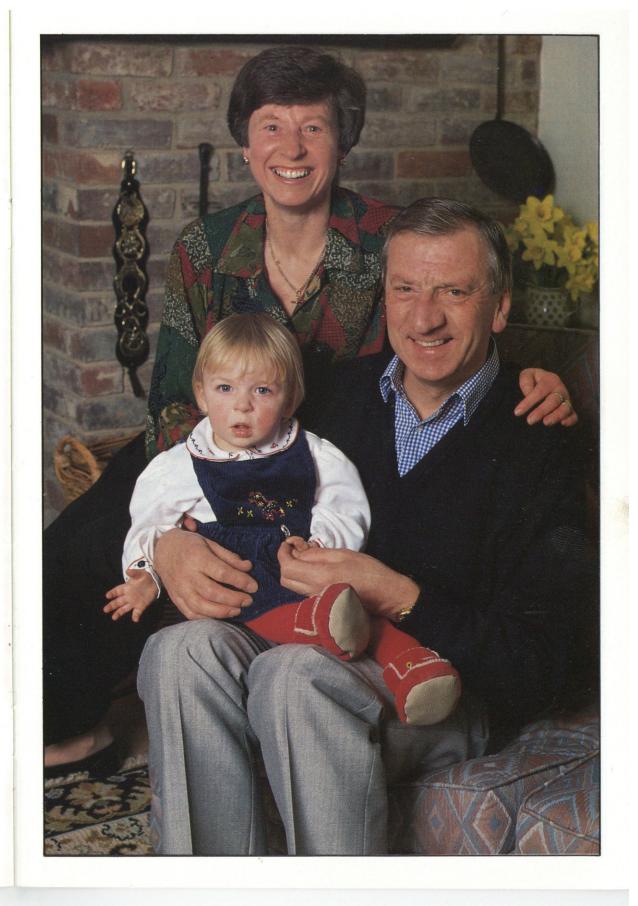
He and his schoolteacher wife Mary live at Braishfield, near Romsey. They have two children, Alison and Caroline, an 18-month-old granddaughter, Amy, and another grandchild is due any day.

"In football there are exciting and vital times ahead with the advent of the Premier League," says John Mortimore. "We need to be in it and it's of paramount importance to the club's future that we have a new ground. There's no reason why we can't have the best stadium west of London and south of Birmingham, and if the World Cup or European Championships come to England soon who knows what a new stadium may hold forth for Southampton as a city.

"I'm fortunate to earn my living from something I love doing. Ted Bates once said to me that football is a funny game; when you're in you want to get out and when you're out you can't get back in quickly enough!"

Right: Relaxing at home . . . John Mortimore with his wife Mary and granddaughter Amy.

by John Hughes



Action ReplaY

Below: Matthew Le Tissier lifts Saints out of the bottom three in the First Division with his goal in the victory over Crystal Palace. Bottom: Nigel Martyn punches clear a fine cross from on-loan Michael Gilkes.









Zenith Data Systems Cup Final Sunday 29th March 1992 at Wembley Stadium



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 This is against the law and if you get caught you may well end up not seeing the game at all.
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 the law.
- Don't overdo the drinking yourself! Have fun but as hard as it is try and walk away from bother.
- Flags mounted on long wooden or bamboo poles may be seized by Stewards on duty at the Turnstiles.
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- There may well be some tickets on sale on the day at the Stadium, so if you do not have a ticket, check with the Stadium before travelling to ensure that they are still selling on the day (081-900 1234).
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- Do not travel to Wembley in open topped buses as they will not be allowed onto the complex.
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EVERTON v SOUTHAMPTON

Barclays League Division One

Wednesday 1st April, 1992 Kick Off 7.30 p.m.

Seat tickets price £8.50 will be available shortly from The Box Office.

There is no Terracing available for visiting supporters.

Please note vouchers, membership cards and season tickets must be produced when purchasing tickets personally at the Box Office for all-ticket matches.

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Barclays League Division One Saturday 4th April, 1992 Kick Off 3.00 p.m.

This match is NOT all-ticket

Seat tickets price £9.50 Wing Stand and £7.50 Bench go on sale from 9.00 a.m. on Wednesday 25th March.

Also available will be advance Terrace tickets for Under East/West price £6.00.

Family Centre tickets will be available for family groups who are members price £6.00 adults, £2.00 children.

Admission to Milton Terrace is by payment on the day price £6.00 adults, £2.00 children/senior citizens.

Access/Visa telephone bookings will be accepted. Last time for bookings will be Wednesday 1st April. The booking line is open from 9.30 a.m. - 12 noon and 2.00 p.m. - 4.00 p.m. (weekdays only).

SOUTHAMPTON v NOTT'M FOREST

Barclays League Division One Wednesday 8th April, 1992 Kick Off 7.30 p.m.

This match is NOT all-ticket

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Admission to Milton Terrace is by payment on the night price £6.00 adults, £2.00 children/senior citizens.

Access/Visa telephone bookings will be accepted. Last time for bookings will be Friday 3rd April. The booking line is open from 9.30 a.m. - 12 noon and 2.00 p.m. - 4.00 p.m. (weekdays only).



WEST HAM UTD v SOUTHAMPTON

Barclays League Division One Tuesday 14th April, 1992 Kick Off 7.45 p.m.

Tickets already purchased will still be valid.

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The Saints are currently performing better than any of the Championship contenders! Our 1-0 victory at Manchester City last Sunday extended our unbeaten run in the League to six games.

Arsenal are the only First Division club with a better record.

Yet the warning from the form chart is that several of our relegation rivals - Sheffield United, Coventry and today's visitors Luton — have also been showing a big improvement.

It's clear that today's game is critical for both clubs.

In their last three away games Luton drew at Crystal Palace (1-1), lost at Leeds (0-2), then drew at Everton (1-1) last weekend. But Luton have scored only once from open play in those games — when Brian Stein gave them the lead in the seventh minute at Everton. Their other away goal came from a Mark Pembridge penalty.

The Saints are the only first Division side to have kept a clean sheet in the last three home games. The signs are that today's game

is going to be very tight indeed.

Eyes will be particularly focused upon Iain Dowie who, whilst our defence has been playing so superbly, has snatched the winning goal in two of our last three League matches.

If he could do the same this afternoon, the Saints' survival hopes would rocket.

Manager Ian Branfoot, of course, would not care who scores - so long as someone does.

Saints and Luton supporters will take heart from the fact that Notts County, West Ham and Tottenham

by TonyPullein

are all going through a very bad

On current form these are the clubs who would be relegated.

But we cannot expect any of these to go without a spirited battle. One or more will surely begin to win a few games as the battle hots

That's why neither the Saints nor Luton can afford to relax. The slightest slip could put either club back in serious trouble. There is still a long way to go.

One thing that becomes clear from the accompanying table is that the clubs with the best chance of missing relegation are those with solid defences.

And here the Saints come out on

Apart from Sheffield United, who have become one of the most entertaining teams to watch, the clubs pulling clear from relegation are those who have tightened up at the back.

The Saints have conceded only one goal in six games. Coventry have let in only three.

These are the clubs who have been rising up the table most significantly in recent weeks.

So the small band of Saints' supporters who have been critical of the club's style of play might like to ponder over the fact that, though we have not been scoring goals as often as in the past, when it comes to a battle for survival it's results - rather than entertainment value — that are of prime importance.

In the long term, too, the change of style could pay off. All of the clubs who have made a serious bid for the League Championship were those with outstanding defences. Whilst it is true to say that our Champions have usually also been attractive, attacking sides, they have usually worked from the back in building their teams.

Many new managers take the view that, if they can first get things right in defence, they can then concentrate upon creating a good attack.

Manchester United, the current title favourites, are a case in point. Over the past few years United have failed largely because of defensive lapses. Now the Red Devils possess by far the finest defence in the First Division.

The Saints have enough creative talent on the books to suggest that, if the club can survive this present crisis and clinch a place in the new Super League next season, we might be ready to challenge for the top honour.

The creation of a successful club is all down to long-term planning. Did not former Saint Kevin Keegan make this clear this week when he spoke of his dispute with Newcastle United?

If we look back at the rise of clubs like Liverpool, Arsenal and now Manchester United we can trace their success stories back to the moment when someone sat back to take stock, aimed at a goal to be achieved some three years hence — and then went for it.

At the moment the Saints' goal is a little closer. It is First Division survival.

On current form that can be achieved. Yet, much work has still to be done.

But, if the Saints do make it, then more exciting times could lie ahead.

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FORM CHART

The following form table is based upon each club's last three home, and last three away, games in the First Division up to and including last Saturday:

			Hom	e				Away	7		
	W	D	L	For	Ag	W	D	L	For	Ag	Pts
Arsenal	2	1	0	10	3	2	1	0	4	1	14
SAINTS	2	1	0	2	0	1	2	0	2	1	12
Leeds	2	1	0	7	1	1	1	1	5	6	11
Wimbledon	2	1	0	4	1	1	1	1	3	6	11
Sheffield Utd	1	1	1	5	4	2	0	1	9	5	10
Everton	1	2	0	4	3	1	2	0	2	0	10
Manchester Utd	1	2	0	4	2	1	2	0	3	2	10
Norwich	2	0	1	5	2	1	1	1	4	5	10
Sheffield Wed	1	1	1	4	5	2	0	1	6	7	10
Q.P.R.	2	1	0	9	2	0	2	1	1	2	9
Nottingham Forest	1	1	1	5	6	1	2	0	3	1	9
Coventry	0	2	1	0	2	1	2	0	2	1	7
Luton	1	2	0	3	2	0	2	1	2	4	7
Aston Villa	1	1	1.	1	1	0	2	1	0	2	6
Manchester City	2	0	1	6	1	0	0	3	3	10	6
Oldham	2	0	1	6	5	0	0	3	2	5	6
Chelsea	0	1	2	1	5	1	2	0	3	2	6
Crystal Palace	1	1	1	4	4	0	1	2	1	4	5
Liverpool	1	1	1	2	2	0	1	2	0	4	5
West Ham	1	0	2	1	4	0	0	3	1	4	3
Notts County	0	2	1	1	2	0	1	2	4	7	3
Tottenham	0	1	2	2	6	0	1	2	0	3	2
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NEVILLE OVENDEN PAPERS COMBINATION **FIXTURES 1991/92**

Aug 14	Fulham	1-2
Aug 21	West Ham	1-0
Aug 24	Tottenham	2-1
Sept 3	Reading	5-1
Sept 7	Watford	4-0
Sept 11	Exeter RTC	0-1
Sept 17	Queens Park Rangers	1-0
Sept 21	Arsenal	1-0
Oct 2	Oxford	1-0
Oct 5	Wimbledon	1-1
Oct 12	Crystal Palace	1-2
Oct 15	Plymouth RTC	1-0
Oct 22	Swindon	1-1
Oct 26	Brighton	1-0
Nov 6	Wimbledon	1-0
Nov 9	Chelsea	3-1
Nov 13	Torquay RTC	4-1
Nov 16	Charlton	1-1
Nov 25	Millwall	5-2
Nov 30	Ipswich	2-2
Dec 18	West Ham	0-0
Jan 6	Crystal Palace	3-1
Jan 11	Tottenham	1-0
Jan 18	Swindon	1-0
Feb 1	Portsmouth	6-1
Feb 15	Reading	4-0
Feb 25	Chelsea	1-2
Feb 29	Portsmouth RTC qu. f.	2-0
Mar 4	Norwich	0-1
Mar 11	Ipswich	3-4
Mar 14	Queens Park Rangers	2-1
Mar 16	Luton Town	4-3
Mar 20	Millwall	H
Mar 25	Brighton	A
Mar 27	Oxford	Н
Apr 4	Portsmouth	A
Apr 6	Fulham	H
Apr 11	Luton	H
Apr 14	Bristol Rovers RTC s-f	Н
Apr 18	Arsenal	A
Apr 22	Watford	A
Apr 27	Charlton	A
May 5	Norwich	A
	RTC - Reserve Team Cun	

Saints Reserves have stepped up their Combination title bid with two wins, 2-1 at home to high-riding Queens Park Rangers last Saturday and 4-3 away to Luton on Monday night.

Nicky Banger, recently recovered from a hernia operation, grabbed two goals at Luton. Saints' Lee Powell had volleyed in Alex Cherednik's cross to open the scoring and Neil Maddison headed home Steve Wood's flick-on to restore the lead after 34 minutes.

Banger's second-half goals put Saints 3-1 and 4-2 in front. They could have scored more goals and centre-half Matthew Bound hit a

Saints team: Andrews, Cherednik, Kenna, Wood, Bound, Powell, Maddison (Tisdale), Banger (Selby), Widdrington, Lee, Moody.

Previously, centre-half Richard Hall, back after injury, celebrated his 20th birthday by scoring Saints' 78thminute winner in the 2-1 home defeat of title rivals OPR.

Dave Macciochi gave Rangers the lead against the run of play and Neil Maddison, at the near post, sidefooted the equaliser from David Lee's cross. Hall snatched the

Reserve Team 1991/92

Appearances: 30 Andrews. 26 Moody. 25 Bound, 24 Widdrington, 23 Banger, 21 Maddison. 19 Kenna. 18 Powell, Tisdale. 17 Benali. 13 McLoughlin. 11 Cherednik, Gittens, Hughes, Moore. 8 Lee, Roast. 7 Hall. 5 Cook, Wood. 3 Gotsmanov, Gray, Osman, Rideout, Selby, Walsh, Whitman. 2 Dodd, Dowie, Hurlock, McKilligan, Meara, Ruddock, Thorne. 1 Adams, Cleeve, Gilkes, Hoekman, Horne, Thomas.

Appearances as sub: 9 Hughes. 4 Tisdale. 2 McKilligan, Roast, Whitman. 1 Bound, Cherednik, Frost, MacDonald, Maddison, McNally, Moody, Powell, Selby, Thompson, Thorne, Wright

Scorers: 15 Moody (1 pen). 9 Banger. 4 Lee, Maddison, McLoughlin, Powell, Rideout. 3 Bound (1 pen), Tisdale, Widdrington. 2 Dowie (1 pen), Ruddock. 1 Cherednik, Hall, Horne, Hughes,

decisive goal when the 'keeper failed to hold Bound's long-range shot.

Saints team: Andrews, Cherednik, Bound, Tisdale, Wood, Hall, Lee, Banger, Moody, Maddison, Powell. Subs (not used): Selby, Thomas.

The experienced Paul Goddard headed an 89th-minute goal to send Saints Reserves crashing to a 4-3 defeat at Ipswich - after leading 2-0 and 3-2.

Banger, outstanding after a long lay-off, set up the opening goal, headed in by Paul Moody. Then Banger, twisting and turning, made it 2-0 at half-time.

Poor defensive work enabled Goddard and Glenn Pennyfather to pull Ipswich level before Bound put Saints back in front from the penalty spot after Banger was brought down. Then it all went wrong for Saints.

Saints team: Andrews, Thorne, Walsh, Tisdale, Wood (McKilligan), Bound, Lee, Banger, Moody, Maddison, Powell. Sub (not used):

NEVILLE OVENDEN PAPERS COMBINATION

P W D L F A Pts

(Up to and incl. March 18)

Arsenal	33	20	6	7	77	43	66
Chelsea	30	18	6	6	63	33	60
SAINTS	28	18	5	5	57	27	59
Q.P.R.	33	18	4	11	63	43	58
Crystal Palace	31	15	9	7	55	40	54
Norwich	27	16	3	8	57	27	51
Luton	31	13	8	10	47	40	47
Portsmouth	33	15	2	16	66	68	47
Wimbledon	31	13	8	10	47	34	47
Swindon	29	12	6	11	47	47	42
Ipswich	31	11	8	12	57	60	41
Millwall	31	10	8	13	58	68	38
Tottenham	30	10	7	13	46	46	37
Fulham	30	10	6	14	32	47	36
Watford	30	11	2	17	43	55	35
Oxford	30	10	4	16	47	68	34
West Ham	31	8	9	14	47	59	33
Charlton	29	9	5	15	39	53	32
Brighton	31	6	5	20	42	64	23
Reading	31	5	3	23	42	110	18

RESERVE & YOUTH

An own goal shortly before half-time gave Saints Youth a 1-0 home win over Maidstone in last Saturday's South-East Counties League Division 2 match.

Saints' first win in five matches keeps them in seventh spot, with two matches in hand on Brighton who lead them on goal difference.

"We got it together for the full 90 minutes with good movement and good possession football," says Youth coach Dave Merrington. "I was pleased with the lads.

"Even when Maidstone pinned us in for 20 minutes in the second half we never stopped playing and never lost our shape.

"My only criticism is that once again we lacked penetration. All season we've

SOUTH-EAST COUNTIES LEAGUE DIVISION 2

		P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
	Crystal Palace	23	17	3	3	67	19	37
	Wimbledon	23	16	3	4	73	17	35
	Oxford	23	14	3	6	54	29	31
	Brentford	24	13	5	6	45	27	31
	Luton	22	12	4	6	45	34	28
	Brighton	24	11	5	8	47	34	27
	Saints	22	10	7	5	29	24	27
	Bristol City	21	10	2	9	33	31	22
ı	Tottenham	26	9	3	14	36	57	21
ı	Swindon	25	8	4	13	28	46	20
ı	Bristol Roves	24	8	2	14	45	82	18
ı	Reading	22	7	3	12	40	55	17
ı	Bournemouth	26	5	3	18	31	50	13
	Maidstone	23	6	1	16	30	54	13
	Aldershot	24	3	6	15	30	74	12

had problems scoring goals."

The match-winner came when fullback Tony Cleeve made a great run down the right and Neil Selby and Neil Frost caused confusion as the ball came over and Maidstone's Dean Heath turned the ball in.

Later, Selby and Kevin Thorne both went close to increasing the lead with headers.

Saints were again without striker Callum MacDonald, recovering from flu. Injuries and illness have restricted the Scot to 11 full appearances this season.

"Callum's absence from so many matches has had a big effect," says Dave Merrington. "I hoped he and Neil Selby would go hand-in-glove up front."

Ian Savage, playing as a third centre-half, was outstanding for Saints and never put a foot wrong. And in midfield Ben Shires showed his true potential.

Saints team: Meara, Cleeve, Thorne, Thomas, Whitman, Winstanley, Shires, Selby, Savage, Frost, McKilligan. Subs (not used): Robinson, Murphy.

Youth Team 1991/92

Appearances 25 McKilligan, Meara, Savage, Thorne. 24 Selby. 22 Cleeve. 21 Robinson, Thomas, Whitman. 18 Frost. 14 Wright. 12 Shires. 11 MacDonald. 10 Winstanley. 4 Bartlett. 3 Crowley, Murphy. 1

Appearances as sub: 9 Bartlett. 5 Shires, Wright. 3 Frost. 2 MacDonald, McNally, Robinson, Thomas, Winstanley. 1 Elliott, Lord,

Scorers: 5 MacDonald, Selby. 4 Robinson, Thomas. 3 Savage. 2 Frost, McKilligan (1 pen), Wright. 1 Thorne, Whitman, Winstanley own goal.



DAVE MERRINGTON

Youth Team Coach

SOUTH EAST COUNTIES LEAGUE FIXTURES 1991/92

Aug 17	Wimbledon	1-1
Aug 24	Brentford	0-3
Sept 4	Crystal Palace SJFC 1	1-3
Sept 7	Swindon	0-1
Sept 14	Bournemouth	3-2
Sept 21	Bristol City LC 1	0-1
Sept 28	Wimbledon	1-1
Oct 5	Tottenham	2-1
Oct 12	Brighton	2-1
Oct 19	Aldershot	2-1
Oct 29	Bashley FAYC 1	0-0
Nov 2	Crystal Palace	1-0
Nov 6	Bashley FAYC 1 replay	1-2
Nov 9	Luton	1-1
Nov 16	Maidstone	3-1
Nov 23	Luton	1-1
Nov 30	Bristol Rovers	2-1
Dec 7	Bristol Rovers	4-0
Jan 4	Brentford	0-0
Jan 18	Swindon	0-0
Feb 1	Reading	3-2
Feb 8	Tottenham	0-1
Feb 22	Aldershot	1-1
Feb 29	Crystal Palace	1-4
Mar 7	Oxford	0-1
Mar 14	Maidstone	1-0
Mar 21	Bournemouth	Н
Apr 4	Bristol City	A
Apr 11	Oxford	Н
Apr 18	Bristol City	Н
Apr 25	Reading	A
TBA	Brighton	Н

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A PERSONAL VIEW

"As the Saints go marching in . . . " comes the cry echoing around walls. Wemblev's welcoming players and steeling them for the game to come. This is the big-time!

In little over a week Saints reach for the Zenith at Wembley against what could be described as this country's finest Cup team Nottingham Forest. But Saints' stonewall warriors are equally well-known as one of the hardest sides to beat.

Gone are the days when Saints' defence regularly suffered the floodgate treatment - now with developing composure our last lines are so tight they make Scrooge seem charitable!

Cries of "Mickey Mouse Cup" have fallen upon deaf ears among Saints fans clamouring to secure their ticket to the occasion. Cup fever has hit The Dell!

Superstition comes out at times like this, especially when one considers that Saints were the underdogs in 1976 and secured the tunnel end - vet went on to win with style.

Also, after the FA Cup win the next game at The Dell was a testimonial against QPR, an emotion-filled occasion. Who are we playing the Saturday after the Zenith?

The quarter-final saw a victory over West Ham at The Dell, which secured a two-

by DaveHinsley

legged Southern Area final against Chelsea. They fell at the first hurdle to a rampant Saints side, who consolidated their position in the second leg — thanks to a brilliant display

needs reminding of past sides achieving Cup glory, only to slip to relegation. Yet Saints' mean League form recently which has seen wins over West Ham, Crystal Palace and Manchester City will carry them into this relegation cruncher with pride.



by Vale Rec's protégé - Le Tissier.

Our last meeting with Forest at Wembley was way back in 1979 in the League Cup Final, which Saints sadly lost. In the intervening 13 years times have changed in many ways and Saints could provide an unlucky reunion for Clough's

But Cups apart, today Saints face an old foe and nobody

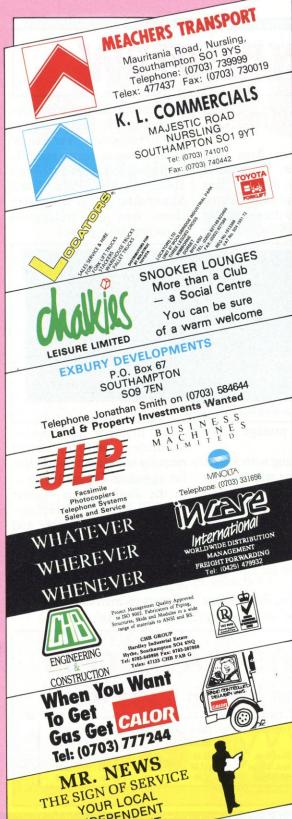
Ian Branfoot has been to Wembley before, most recently last season as coach to the victorious Crystal Palace in the Zenith again - over Howard Kendall's Everton.

He's seen it all before and many hope his experience will carry Saints. Let's all get behind them, with a crescendo of noise and spirit to help those "Saints go marching in!" Our time has come!

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Lighting up! Peter Lambing, of Executive Club members Calor Gas, presents Saints' match-winning goalscorer Matthew Le Tissier with his bottles of bubbly after being voted man-ofthe-match against Crystal Palace.





Winning debut! Matchball sponsors Cannon Multiplex Cinema were making their first appearance at The Dell for the fixture against Crystal Palace and after Saints' 1-0 win general manager Ray Wallis receives an autographed football from fullback Francis Benali.



Lucky winner! Walter Scott, a guest of Compak Interior Systems, receives an autographed football from Saints striker Matthew Le Tissier after winning the Executive Club draw.





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DATE	OPPONENTS V	F	RES	ATT.	POS.	1	2	3	4	5	6	7		8	9	10	11	12	14
Sat Aug 17	Tottenham Hotspur H		2-3	18,581	_	Flowers	Dodd	Osman	Horne	Hall 1	Ruddock	Le Tissier	1	Cockerill	Shearer 1	Rideout*	Adams	Moore	Moody●
Tue Aug 20	Notis County A	-	0-1	9,613		Flowers	Dodd	Osman*	Horne	Hall	Ruddock	Le Tissier	1	Cockerill	Shearer	Rideout	Adams	McLoughlin •	Gittens
Sat Aug 24	Sheffield United A	-	2-0	18,029	13	Flowers	Dodd	Osman	Horne	Hall	Ruddock	Le Tissier 1	+	Cockerill	Shearer 1	Rideout	Adams	Moody	Benali
Wed Aug 28	Leeds United H		0-4	15,862	19	Flowers	Dodd	Osman	Horne	Hall	Ruddock	Le Tissier**	1	Cockerill	Shearer	Rideout*	Adams	Lee	Moody●
Sat Aug 31	Aston Villa H	-	1-1	16,161	19	Flowers	Dodd	Adams	Horne	Hall	Ruddock	Le Tissier**	1	Cockerill	Shearer 1	Moody*	Lee	Benali●●	Banger●
Wed Sep 4	Luton Town A		1-2	8,055	20	Flowers	Dodd	Adams	Horne	Hall	Ruddock	Le Tissier 1	1	Cockerill	Shearer	Dowie	Lee*	Moody	Benali●
Sat Sep 7	Queens Park Rangers A		2-2	9,237	19	Flowers	Dodd	Adams	Horne	Hall	Ruddock	Le Tissier*	1	Cockerill	Shearer 1	Dowie 1	Lee	Moore	Banger●
Sat Sep 14	Manchester United H		0-1	19,264	20	Flowers	Dodd	Adams	Horne	Hall	Osman**	Le Tissier	(Cockerill	Shearer	Dowie	Hurlock*	Lee	Gittens
Wed Sep 18	Wimbledon # H	1	1-0	11,280	19	Flowers	Dodd	Adams	Horne**	Gittens	Ruddock	Le Tissier*		Cockerill 1	Shearer	Dowie	Lee	Benali●	Hurlock●●
Sat Sep 21	Sheffield Wednesday A	1	0-2	27,291	19	Andrews	Dodd	Benali**	Horne	Gittens	Ruddock*	Lee		Cockerill	Shearer	Dowie	Adams	Hall●	Le Tissier
Tue Sep 24	Scarborough RC 2 (1) A	1	3-1	2,302	19	Flowers	Dodd	Gray	Horne	Hall	Ruddock	Le Tissier		Cockerill 1	Shearer 2	Dowie	Adams	Maddison	Gittens
Sat Sep 28	Arsenal H		0-4	18,050	21	Flowers	Dodd	Gray	Horne	Hall	Ruddock	Le Tissier	1	Cockerill	Shearer	Dowie*	Lee	Hurlock●	Adams
Sat Oct 5	Oldham A		1-1	13,133	20	Flowers	· Dodd	Grav	Horne	Hall	Ruddock	Lee	1	Cockerill	Shearer 1	Hurlock	Adams	Dowie	Le Tissier
Wed Oct 9	Scarborough RC 2 (2) H	-	2-2	4,036		Flowers	Dodd	Gray	Horne*	Hall	Ruddock	Le Tissier 1		Cockerill 1	Shearer	Hurlock	Adams	Dowie	Benali
Sat Oct 19	Norwich H	-	0-0	12,516	20	Flowers	Dodd	Adams	Hurlock	Wood	Ruddock	Lee*		Cockerill	Shearer	Gray	Le Tissier	Horne	Dowie●
Tue Oct 22	Bristol City ZDSC 2 A	_	2-1	5,672		Flowers	Dodd	Adams	Hurlock	Wood	Ruddock	Lee		Cockerill	Shearer 1	Gray	Le Tissier 1	Horne	Dowie
Sat Oct 26	Nottingham Forest A	-	3-1	20,026	20	Flowers	Dodd	Adams	Hurlock	Wood	Ruddock	Lee	-	Cockerill	Shearer 1	Gray	Le Tissier 2	Horne	Dowie
Wed Oct 30	Sheffield Wednesday RC 3 A		1-1	17,627		Flowers	Dodd	Adams	Hurlock	Hall**	Ruddock	Gittens		Cockerill	Shearer 1	Gray*	Le Tissier	Horne	Dowie●●
Sat Nov 2	Manchester City H		0-3	13,933	20	Flowers	. Dodd	Adams	Hurlock	Wood*	Ruddock	Lee	-	Cockerill	Shearer	Horne	Le Tissier	Gittens•	Dowie
Sat Nov 16	Crystal Palace A	-	0-1	15,861	20	Flowers	Dodd	Adams	Hurlock*	Wood	Hall	Gittens		Cockerill	Shearer	Horne	Le Tissier	Lee	Dowie
Wed Nov 20	Sheffield Wednesday RC 3 replay H		1-0	10,801	_	Flowers	Dodd	Adams	Hurlock	Hall	Gittens	Le Tissier	100	Cockerill	Shearer	Horne 1	Moore	Benali	Dowie
Sat Nov 23	Chelsea H		1-0	14,933	19	Flowers	Dodd	Adams	Hurlock	Hall	Gittens	Le Tissier	-	Cockerill	Shearer 1	Horne	Wood	Lee	Dowie
Tue Nov 26	Plymouth ZDSC 3 A	_	1-0	5,578	17	Flowers	Dodd	Adams	Hurlock	Ruddock	Gittens	Le Tissier 1	The second	Cockerill	Shearer	Horne	Wood	Lee	Gray
Sat Nov 30	Coventry A		0-2	8,585	21	Flowers	Dodd	Adams	Hurlock	Gittens	Ruddock*	Le Tissier	-	Cockerill	Shearer	Horne	Wood	Lee	Gray
Wed Dec 4		-	0-2	17,939	- 21	Flowers	Dodd	Adams	Hurlock*	Gittens	Ruddock	Le Tissier**		Cockerill	Shearer	Horne	Gray	Hall●	Dowie●●
Sat Dec 7		-	1-1	19,053	20	Flowers	Dodd	Adams*	Grav	Gittens	Ruddock	Horne	-	Cockerill	Shearer 1	Dowie**	Wood	Lee	Banger
		-	0-1	10,861	20	Flowers	Dodd	Adams	Horne	Moore*	Ruddock	Gittens		Cockerill	Shearer	Gray**	Le Tissier	Banger●	McLoughlin • •
Tue Dec 17	V	-	1-1	11,054	21	Flowers	Dodd	Adams	Hurlock	Wood	Ruddock	Le Tissier*		Cockerill	Shearer	Dowie 1	Gray	Lee	Gittens
Fri Dec 20	Notts County H		3-3	29,053	21	Flowers	Wood	Adams	Hurlock	Gittens	Moore	Horne		Cockerill	Shearer 1	Dowie 2	Gray	Dodd	Hall
Thu Dec 26	Leeds A		1-2	23,094	22	Flowers	Dodd	Adams	Horne	Gittens	Wood	Moore**		Cockerill	Shearer 1	Dowie	Gray*	Lee	Hall●●
Sat Dec 28	Aston Villa A Everton H	-					Hall	Adams 1	Horne	Gittens*	Wood	Hurlock**		Cockerill	Shearer	Dowie	Grav	Dodd●●	Banger
Wed Jan 1		-	1-2	16,546	22	Flowers	Dodd	Adams	Horne	Hall	Wood 1	Le Tissier 1		Hurlock	Shearer	Dowie	Gray	Banger	Kenna
Sat Jan 4	Queens Park Rangers FA Cup 3 H	-	2-0	13,710	_	Flowers	Dodd	Adams	Horne	Hall	Wood	Le Tissier 1		Hurlock	Shearer 1	Dowie	Banger*	Lee	Kenna
Tue Jan 7	West Ham ZDSC Sth semi-final H		2-1	6,861		Flowers	Dodd	Adams	Horne	Hall 1	Wood	Le Tissier 1		Cockerill*	Shearer	Dowie	Hurlock	Lee	Kenna
Sat Jan 11	Sheffield United H		2-4	13,689	22	Flowers				Hall	Wood	Le Tissier*		Hurlock	Shearer	Dowie 1	Benali	Cockerill	McLoughlin •
Sat Jan 18	Tottenham Hotspur A	-	2-1	23,191	21	Flowers	Kenna	Adams 1	Horne	Hall	Wood	Le Tissier		Hurlock 1	Shearer 1	Dowie	Benali	Lee	Cockerill
Tue Jan 21	Chelsea ZDSC Sth final (1) H		2-0	8,726	-	Flowers	Kenna	Adams	Horne	Hall	Ruddock	Le Tissier		Hurlock	Shearer	Dowie*	Benali	Gray	Cockerill
Mon Jan 27	Manchester Utd FA Cup 4 H		0-0	19,500	_	Flowers	Kenna	Adams	Horne	-	Ruddock			Hurlock	Shearer	Dowie	Benali	Gray	Cockerill
Wed Jan 29	Chelsea ZDSC Sth final (2) A		3-1	9,781	- 22	Flowers	Kenna	Adams	Horne	Hall Hall	Ruddock	Le Tissier 3		Hurlock	Shearer	Dowie	Benali**	Grav	Cockerill 10
Sat Feb 1	Norwich A	-	1-2	10,660	22	Flowers	Kenna	Adams	Horne*					Cockerill	Shearer 1	Gray 1*	Benali	Dowie	Maddison •
Wed Feb 5	Manchester Utd FA Cup 4 replay A		2-2+	33,414	-	Flowers	Kenna	Adams	Horne	Hall	Ruddock	Le Tissier		Cockerill	Shearer	Dowie	Benali	Gray	Lee
Wed Feb 12		_	1-1	7,148	22	Flowers	Kenna	Adams	Horne 1	Hall	Ruddock	Le Tissier		Cockerill	Shearer	Gray	Benali	Dowie	Lee
Sun Feb 16	Bolton FA Cup 5 A	-	2-2	20,136	-	Flowers	Kenna	Adams*	Horne	Hall 2	Ruddock	Le Tissier		Water Control of the	Shearer	Grav*	Lee**	Dowie	Dodd
Sat Feb 22		-	0-0	13,719	22	Flowers	Kenna	Benali	Horne	Hall	Ruddock	Le Tissier	-	Hurlock		Gray*	Hurlock	Kenna	Moody •
Wed Feb 26	Bolton FA Cup 5 replay H	_	3-2	18,009	-	Flowers	Dodd	Benali	Horne 2	Hall	Ruddock	Le Tissier		Cockerill	Shearer 1 Shearer	Dowie	Hurlock	Maddison	Kenna
Sat Feb 29	Liverpool A	_	0-0	34,449	22	Flowers	Dodd	Benali	Horne	Moore	Ruddock	Le Tissier		Cockerill			Hurlock	Maddison	Kenna
Tue Mar 3	West Ham	_	1-0	14,548	21	Flowers	Dodd	Benali	Horne	Moore	Ruddock	Le Tissier		Cockerill	Shearer	Dowie 1	Hurlock	Kenna	Maddison
Sat Mar 7	Norwich FA Cup 6 H		0-0	20,088	_	Flowers	Dodd	Benali	Horne	Moore	Ruddock	Le Tissier		Cockerill	Shearer	Dowie	Gilkes	Kenna	Cockerill
Wed Mar 11	Crystal Palace H	H	1-0	12,926	19	Flowers	Dodd	Benali	Horne	Moore	Ruddock	Le Tissier 1		Hurlock	Shearer	Dowie 1		Gilkes	Kenna
Sun Mar 15		A	1-0	24,265	19	Flowers	Dodd	Benali	Horne	Moore	Ruddock	Adams*		Cockerill	Shearer	Dowie 1	Hurlock	Kenna	Maddison
Wed Mar 18	Norwich FA Cup 6 replay		1-2	21,017	-	Flowers	Dodd*	Benali	Horne	Moore	Ruddock 1	Le Tissier		Cockerill	Shearer	Dowie	Hurlock	Kenna	iviauuisoii
Sat Mar 21	Luton Town F	H		- 12	Wed ?		erton	A	Thu Apr 16	Mancheste		1		Sat Apr 25		Athletic H			
Sun Mar 29	Nottm Forest ZDSC final at Wembley				Wed A		ottingham Fore		Sat Apr 18		Wednesday H	I	1	Sat May 2	Arsenal	A	Beere	N MESSES E	
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TODAY'S OFFICIALS

Referee: C. R. Wilkes

Clive, who comes from Gloucester, started refereeing in 1974/75 season, progressed via North Glos League, Glos County League and the Football Combination to the Referees' List in 1990/91. He was appointed to the Linesmen's List in 1984/85. He was linesman at the UEFA Cup 1989 game between A J Auxerre v Dinamo Zagreb. His hobbies include all sports, DIY and conservation.

Linesmen: M. E. Alexander (Yellow trim)
D. S. Josham (Red trim)

NEXT AT THE DELL

Barclays League Division One

QUEENS PARK RANGERS

Saturday April 4th 1992 Kick Off 3.00 pm

APPEARANCES & GOALSCORERS 91/92

		Appear	ances				Goal		Car	
			RC/	Overall Club			RC/	Overall Club	L _i To	
	L	C	ZDSC	Total	L	C	ZDSC	Total	A 10	G
Adams	27	4	11	103(1)	2	_		2	335	17
Andrews	1	4	11	6	_	_			138	_
Banger	(4)		1(1)	2(11)	_	_	_	3	10	_
Benali	9(3)	6	2	64(19)			_	_	58	-
Cherednik	9(2)	U	_	23(4)		_			288	16
Cockerill	28(1)	5(1)	8	293(14)	2	_	-2	39	516	76
Dodd	26(2)	4	9	92(7)	_			_	69	_
Doud	19(2)	4	4(3)	27(5)	7	_	_	7	99	26
Flowers	31	7	11	171	_	-		_	198	_
Gilkes	1(1)		-	1(1)	1	_	3 5	_	245	27
Gray	10(2)	4	6	20(2)	_	1	_	1	297	35
Hall	18(2)	5	7(1)	30(4)	2	2		4	48	5.
Horne	30	7	9(1)	142(3)	1	2	1	13	315	29
Hurlock		5	9(1)	33(2)	-	_	1	1	403	28
Kenna	19(2)	3(1)	2	10(2)	-	-	_	_	6	_
Lee	11(8)	(1)	1(1)	12(10)				_	227	35
Lee Tissier	25(1)	7	1(1)	182(38)	6	1	7	84	167	60
Maddison	25(1)	(1)	11	5(12)	_	_	_	2	11	2
Moody	1(2)	(1)		1(3)	_		_		3	_
Moore	6	2	2	134(4)		_		9	525	36
Powell	0	2	_	(2)			_	_	_	-
Ruddock	24	6	8	123(8)		1	_	12	112	10
Shearer	32	7	11	130(18)	10	2	6	40	109	20
Wood	13	1	4	18	10	1	-	1	342	9
Wood	13	1	4	10		,	HETE		312	

*Gittens (now Middlesbrough on loan) played 14 matches, plus 2 as sub, totalling 44(3) appearances for Saints.

*McLoughlin (now Portsmouth on loan) played 3 times as sub, totalling 27(3) appearances for Saints with 1 goal.

*Osman (now Bristol City) played 5 League matches, totalling 120(4) appearances for Saints with 6 goals.

*Rideout (now Glasgow Rangers) played 4 League matches, totalling 87(9) appearances for Saints with 21 goals.

Key: L=League. C=FA Cup. RC/ZDSC=Rumbelows Cup/Zenith Data Systems Cup.

LEAGUE TABLE 1991/92

(Up to and incl. March 18) Home Leeds .. .34 10 Man. Utd.32 10 1 28 9 8 Sheffield Wed33 10 4 3 34 24 6 4 24 14 2 24 13 Man. City..... ...33 10 ..32 10 Liverpool Arsenal Chelsea Crystal Palace34 6 Nottm. For31 8 Aston Villa.....33 9 Wimbledon33 8 Norwich......33 7 Oldham.....34 8 5 4 35 30 6 16 12 Coventry......33 5 Sheffield Utd32 6 5 5 20 19 Tottenham31 4 2 10 18 22 5 7 18 21 34 5 12 9 43 32 5 10 15 2631 3 5 7 12 19

When we met before

SAINTS v LUTON TOWN

Saturday September 1, 1990 First Division

SAINTS (1) 1 LUTON (2) 2 Rideout * Elstrup 2 14,878

Matthew Le Tissier produced a sparkling display for the season's first Saturday afternoon of football at The Dell. But he still ended up on the losing side after Lars Elstrup scored twice for Luton.

Danish striker Elstrup broke away to score his first goal in the 18th minute. Julian James played an inchperfect through ball behind the Saints' defence. Elstrup collected it and ran 30 yards before driving a shot under Tim Flowers' body.

Eight minutes later, Elstrup scored again. He rose above the Saints' defence to head home Tim Breacker's perfectly flighted cross. Then the Saints sprang into life. Glenn Cockerill and Jimmy Case both went close with long-range efforts before Paul Rideout equalised. Inevitably, Le Tissier was involved. He spun superbly on the edge of the penalty area before releasing the ball to Rideout, who had the simple task of tapping it in from six yards.

In the second-half, the Saints piled on the pressure in search of an equaliser. But Luton 'keeper Alex Chamberlain frustrated them with a series of exceptional saves.

Luton's victory, their first of the season, earned them England manager Graham Taylor's vote for Barclays performance of the week. A local boys club received £650.

SAINTS: Flowers, Cherednik, Adams, Case, Moore, Osman, Le Tissier, Horne, Rideout, Cockerill (Shearer), Rod Wallace (Ruddock).

LUTON: Chamberlain, Breacker, James, McDonough (Harvey), Beaumont, Dreyer, Elstrup, Preece, Dowie, Hughes, Rees (Nogan).



PAUL RIDEOUT

Previous League meetings:

)	Home	Away
1920/21	1-1	1-1
1921/22	2-1	0-0
1937/38	3-6	3-1
1938/39	0-4	2-6
1946/47	1-3	2-2
1947/48	3-1	2-0
1948/49	1-1	1-1
1949/50	2-1	1-1
1950/51	1-1	1-0
1951/52	2-3	1-2
1952/53	1-3	2-1
1960/61	3-2	1-4
1961/62	3-0	4-1
1962/63	2-2	2-3
1975/76	3-1	0-1
1976/77	1-0	4-1
1977/78	0-1	2-1
1982/83	2-2	3-3
1983/84	2-1	1-3
1984/85	1-0	1-1
1985/86	1-2	0-7
1986/87	3-0	1-2
1987/88	1-1	2-2
1988/89	2-1	1-6
1989/90	6-3	1-1
1990/91	1-2	4-3
1991/92		1-2

Saturday November 25, 1989 First Division

SAINTS (2) 6	LUTON (1) 3
Rideout 2	Dreyer
Le Tissier	Black
Wallace 2	Elstrup
Shearer	14,014

The Saints, highest scorers in the First Division, hit Luton for six. It was the fourth time that season they had scored four or more in a match, but the first time for over five years they had reached half-a-dozen.

Paul Rideout set the goals rolling as early as the second minute. But in the 24th minute, John Dreyer equalised. It was not until four minutes from half-time that Matthew Le Tissier restored the Saints' lead. Two minutes after the restart, however, Kingsley Black levelled the scores again, at 2-2.

Then the Saints stepped up a gear. Rod Wallace scored twice, after 53 and 71 minutes, and Alan Shearer hit his first goal of the season two minutes later. Rideout added his second of the match seven minutes from time. Shortly afterwards, Lars Elstrup reduced Luton's deficit to three.

One of the Saints' current strikers, Iain Dowie, was playing for Luton that day.

SAINTS: Flowers, Dodd, Benali, Case, Ruddock, Osman, Le Tissier, Cockerill, Shearer, Rideout, Rod Wallace.

LUTON: Chamberlain, Breacker, Harvey, Wilson, Johnson (Wegerle), Dreyer, Preece (James), Elstrup, Dowie, Kennedy, Black.

Summary

	P	W	D	L	For	Ag.	
Home	26	12	6	8	48	43	
Away	27	8	9	10	44	56	
	53	20	15	18	92	99	



Today's MARSHALL ROLFE Matchday Mascot is:



DANIEL SHEPPARD is 11 vears old and attends Foxhills Middle School. He plays football for Testwood United U11 'A' Team who play in the Southampton Tyro League. His favourite Saints players are Micky Adams and Alan Shearer.

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Neil RUDDOCK 6 Trevor PEAKE

Matthew LE TISSIER

7 Jason REES

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9 Mick HARFORD

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