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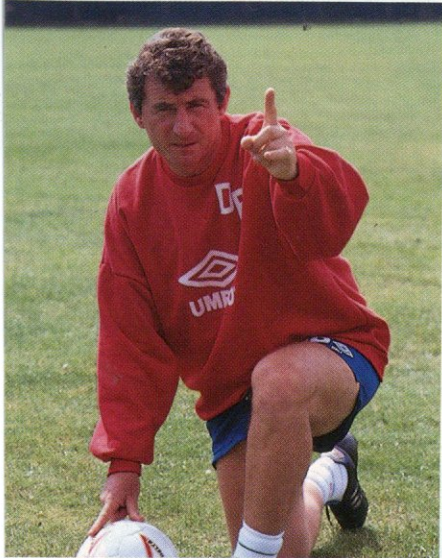
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LUTON TOWN V WIMBLEDON
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David Pleat



Welcome to all supporters of both clubs for today's game. No-one at Luton can underestimate the significance of trying to gain a win today. It was with great disappointment that we were unable to bring home anything from Southampton. It seems remarkable, like some perverse agony, that we have continually lost leads away from home. Usually the disappointment has been accompanied by some controversy. Mervyn Day, who has joined us from Leeds, had been required very little prior to Southampton's first goal which resulted from a free-kick given against him for carrying the ball outside the box. The Dowie goal appeared to be the result of a dangerous kick by the highly rated Shearer. Whatever the outcome, we have to accept our away form has been too poor to support points gathered at home. With three remaining away games, that elusive victory must be gained or else, sadly, we will miss the traumatic initial season of the Premier League.

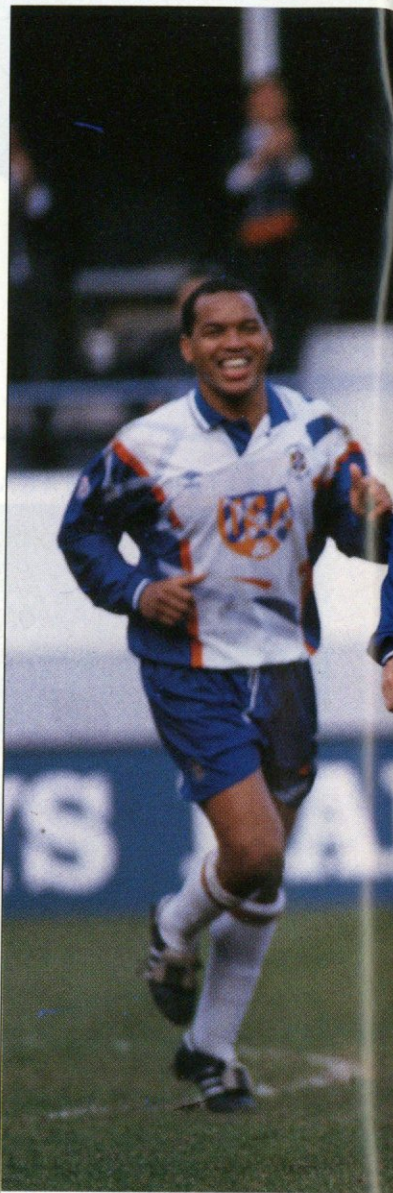
To maximise the advantages, if any, and fully organise the new league takes considerable time and much thought. We are not just talking about next season, but the future of football. There will be no going back. What we do have is what experience suspected, but what was hidden by a smokescreen, that of being advantageous to the England team. A 16-team league team does not guarantee national team success. The root of the ambition for the new league was all tied up in how much could be attracted in a television deal. We

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now have three television companies vying for the privilege. The economic escalation in the search for success has left many clubs in dire financial straits. I am not talking about the clubs at the base of the pyramid. Make no mistake, the Doncasters, Northampton, Gillingham and, so sadly, Aldershots, were basically good book-keepers, but were caught by the fact that football at that level is no longer well-supported through the gate. It is at the top end where clubs have failed to meet their expenses and salaries with income from other sources. The players have been well looked after at the top level. This has encouraged the major clubs to panic and push forward the Premier League plan. We are now poised to see a confrontation between the players and the clubs.

I have never understood why the hierarchy of football administration in this country have not invited the responsible people in football to work alongside them. Of course, the PFA should be represented on the steering committee for the Premier League, but so should the secretaries and the managers – the people who have day-to-day handling of the working of professional clubs. I hope for football's sake that the result is not confrontation and we shall see some sense prevail.

So much has happened at our club since my last notes. The transfer deadline has been and gone and Andy Petterson is now spending a month at Ipswich Town and we are delighted to welcome Imre Varadi, from Leeds United, who will



give me an extra option in the final seven games. Darron McDonough has been sold to Newcastle United and we wish him well. We have now trimmed our staff into a position where I can now see the wood from the trees for season 1992-93.

The AGM has been and gone and nothing has changed, but we have all been made aware of the difficult economic situation. Mark Pembroke had an opportunity to leave the club to join ambitious Derby County in the Second Division. The money would have kept the wolves from the door, but Mark made a disciplined decision. When all this speculation and discussion is attached to the club both publicly and privately, it is more important than ever that we are seen to keep our heads, and keep battling away to ensure our survival.

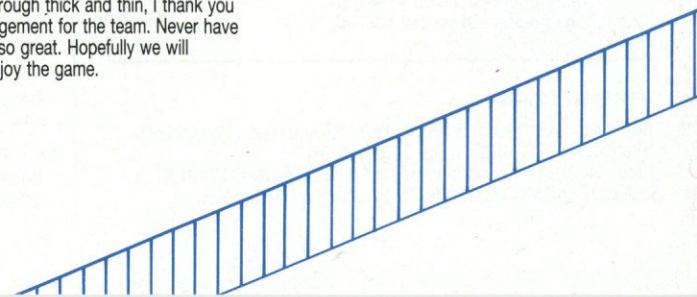


Scott Oakes is pictured in celebratory mood after scoring his first home league goal for the Club, against Crystal Palace on March 7.

On the field, we know that four wins and two draws should get us out of our dilemma. It is a tough task. But every player will be fighting for his pride and to maintain his status for next season. We are now a very young club except for the five stalwarts – Brian Stein, David Preece and the three transfer signings Mick Harford, Chris Kamara and Trevor Peake. I am in a good position to begin next season with young talent. Two of these players have been on an end of season break to Tenerife with the group that has taken the strain in the last few weeks. Scott Oakes is making good progress after his cartilage operation and I am hopeful that he will be available again from the week beginning April 18 when we face a fixture pile-up of four games in seven days. That is also the target for Philip Gray. It is a sad fact of life

that the player we signed from Tottenham to support Michael Harford has not been fit to take his position. Should he return for the 18th, there will still be five games to restore pride. Could there be a fairy tale ending?

Meanwhile, to all the good supporters who back our club through thick and thin, I thank you for your encouragement for the team. Never have our needs been so great. Hopefully we will respond to it. Enjoy the game.



Luton

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Comment

I have been asked by many supporters to explain the current financial position at our football club. Our accounts for the year ending 31st May, 1992, show a trading deficit of almost £1.6 million. This compares with a similar figure last year and a figure of £1.25 million in 1989.

The trading loss arises because income at the turnstiles is insufficient to cover running costs at the club.

It is obvious that a business which loses approximately £1.6 million each year cannot carry on in this manner. Historically, the club has always made up this amount with compensation received for by-pass improvements, the sale of the stadium or, more commonly, the transfer of players.

There are many factors to take into account when running a football club and most of these are emotional. We are a business, however, like any other, and we have to pay our bills.

In my short time at the club, I have had to make decisions on a business footing which to many people seem at odds with what is logical. Since its establishment in 1885, this club has been in all the divisions and has had many ups, but more downs. It is more important, in these times of hardship and recession, that the club survives and it is my job to ensure this.

I have told many people we are in a downward spiral by selling players, which effects results, which reduces gates, which effects the financial situation, which, in turn results in selling more players etc.

This downward spiral can only be resolved in one of two ways. Either 'Mr Big' arrives, as happened at Blackburn Rovers, and is prepared to pump limitless amounts of cash into the club or we are able to relocate to a new stadium which, because of the way it is developed, could produce the money to invest in players.

It is important, in these times, that we all pull together as one club even though the actions of the board may not seem, on the face of it, logical. Accept, please, that all decisions taken are for the long-term benefit of our club.

David Kohler, Managing Director.

News Update

Forest re-arranged fixture

Our re-arranged fixture with Nottingham Forest is scheduled to take place on Wednesday, April 22. However, if Liverpool draw their FA Cup semi-final with Portsmouth, the game will take place on Tuesday, April 14. See page 6 for further information.

Pembridge makes it a double

Mark Pembridge's superb 40-second strike against Southampton on March 21 has earned him his second Barclays Award for the Fastest Goal of the Week. Our Welsh international also won the award on New Year's Day for an equally quick goal against Nottingham Forest.

Soccer courses for 7-15 year olds

Our Youth Development Officer Paul Lowe is running a weekly Vauxhall LTFC Soccer Course throughout April and into May for 7-15-year-olds. For further information, please see page 33 of today's programme.

There will also be a two-day soccer course during the Easter Holidays on Monday, April 13 and Tuesday, April 14 from 10.00 am - 2.30 pm. The price for the two-day course will be £14.00. For further information, please contact Paul Lowe on (0582) 411622 or pick up an application form from the reception at L.T.F.C.

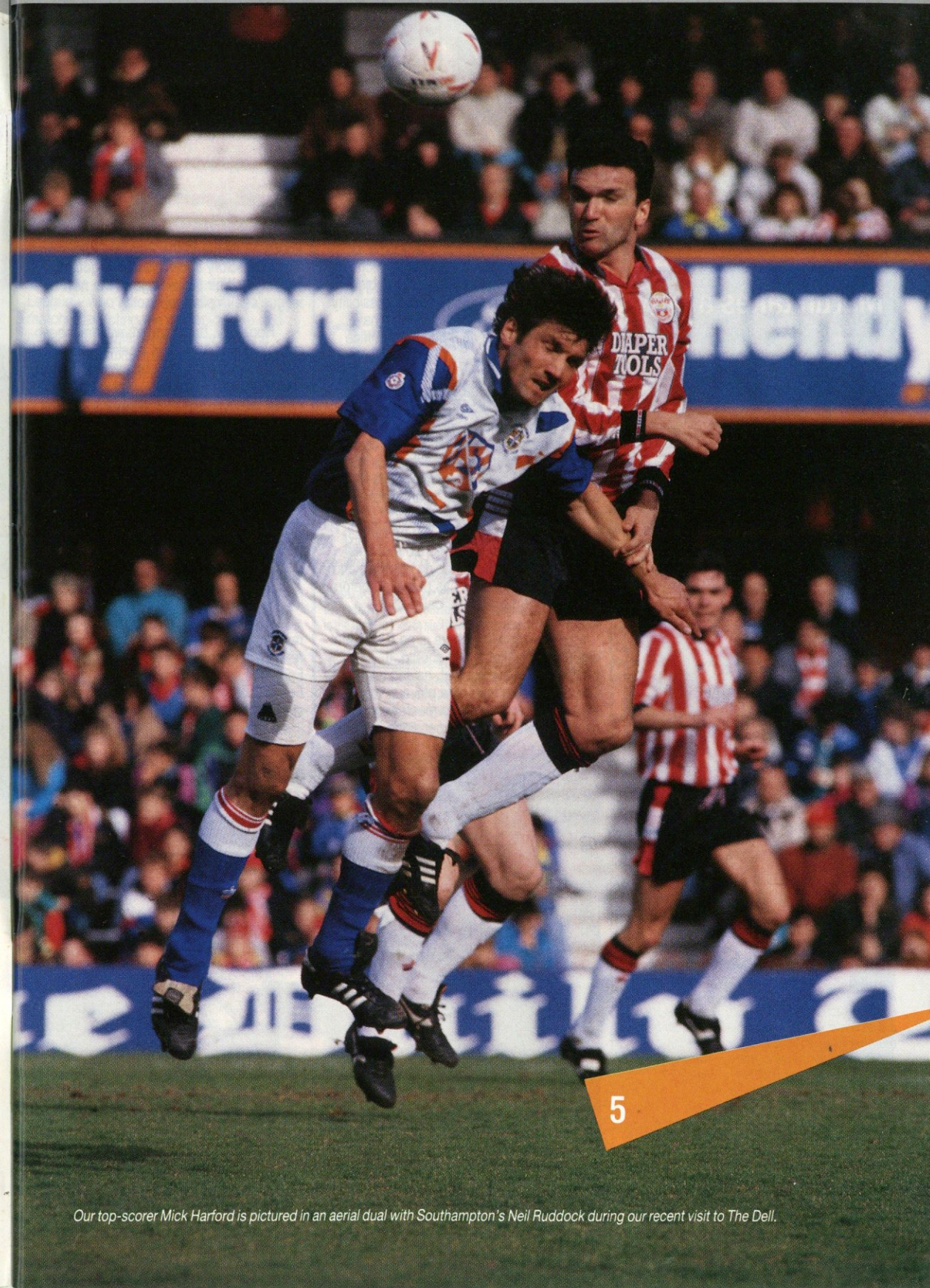
Parking at Oldham

Oldham Athletic have informed us of parking facilities that will be available to Town supporters next Saturday:

Boundary Park is directly next to the Royal Oldham Hospital. The club scheme involves:

1. A secure car park - fence around its perimeter which can hold 200 cars/minibuses.
2. Security guards, monitoring the entrance/exit to the car park from 12.30 till 5.30 pm.
3. The car park is 600 yards from Boundary Park.
4. A nominal charge of £1 per car/minibus is levied (no coaches allowed).

The area around Boundary Park is congested at the best of times and therefore, getting a space near the ground on matchdays is virtually impossible.



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Our top-scorer Mick Harford is pictured in an aerial dual with Southampton's Neil Ruddock during our recent visit to The Dell.

Inside view

By Bill Tomlins



Fixture problems solved by double date with Forest

Football League to the Premier League and the satisfactory conclusion to negotiations relating to their percentage of the new league's television contract.

Hopefully, both matters will have been completely resolved this week following last Thursday's meeting between the Chief Executive of the Premier League and the PFA's Gordon Taylor. It already looked as if the problem over the pensions had been sorted out earlier in the week.

Whatever the outcome, however, I am certain that both sides are anxious to settle this dispute without any serious or damaging disruption to the game and I am equally sure that the players would never consider any kind of irresponsible strike action which might affect crowd safety or security at matches.

Having said all that, you would think it much easier to resolve the problems of re-arranging our outstanding Barclays Football League fixture against Nottingham Forest... without the need for an in-depth study of calculators and calendars.

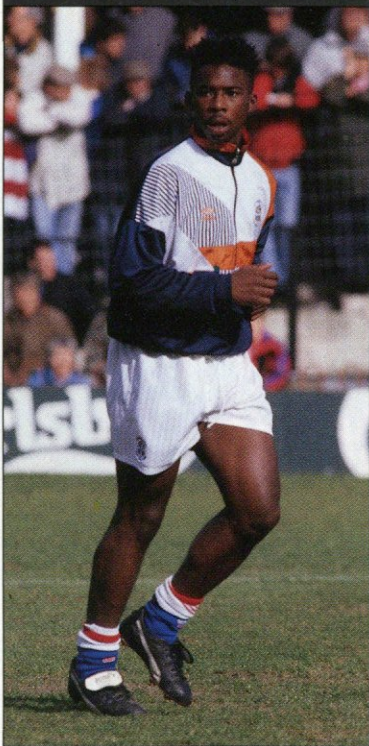
Good afternoon and welcome to Wimbledon for a fixture which, thankfully, has not been subject to rearranged dates or the possibility of industrial action – both of which have commanded much attention in my office recently.

The threat of a strike by members of the Professional Footballers Association (PFA) has been widely reported in the media in the last few weeks and, of course, has direct implications at our club. The intricacies of our fixture list may not have received quite the same public attention, but have been, I can assure you, just as difficult to resolve.

At the time of writing, the position in regard to the PFA's threatened industrial action looked closer to being resolved and I certainly hope sense has prevailed before the result of the players' ballot is announced.

In my own view, there is no doubt that any form of strike action should, if possible, be avoided. But, having said that, I can understand why the players, through their union, expressed so much concern over the transfer of their pensions from the

Martin takes a bow



Our exciting young winger, Martin Williams (above), made his football league debut at Southampton on March 21, coming on as a substitute for Brian Stein in the 83rd minute. Martin, a former pupil at Challney High School, had previously made one senior appearance, away to Ipswich in the Z.D.S. Cup. Junior Hatters members Scott and Daniel Wilton (right) are pictured with their father Andy, Junior Saints member Robert Winstanley and Southampton defender Keith Stevens after receiving a friendship plaque at The Dell on March 21.



Captain's diary

By Trevor Peake



Refreshed and ready to go

Since our last home game, we have been unable, again, to take all three points, away at Everton and Southampton, after taking the lead on both occasions.

The trip to Goodison Park was always going to be a difficult one, and we finally thought our luck was about to change when Brian Stein steered in Mark Pembridge's free-kick after Dave Watson had failed to clear. But as the game went on, Everton became more dominant and Mo Johnston equalised. It was disappointing not to take all three points as that would have given us the lift we would have needed going into the 'crunch' game at Southampton.

Yet again, 'Lady Luck' was not on our side at Southampton. Both of their goals were highly controversial and we are all just wondering what effect those two decisions could have on us come the end of the season. We held out for so long, and it felt like a kick in the teeth to lose in such circumstances.

On a brighter note, Mark Pembridge's goal was a cracker and it was pleasing to see him decide to stay at the club after turning down a move to Derby County. Mark is such a valuable player and it is important that we do not upset the balance of the side at such a crucial stage of the season.

The manager believes that we need four wins and two draws to help ease the threat of relegation. After

our short break in Tenerife, where we relaxed and enjoyed the sun, we are now refreshed and ready to give 110 per-cent for the remainder of the season. We have got some tricky fixtures ahead, but we know that we are more than capable of getting the right results. Our aim is to close that five point gap between ourselves and Southampton, then hopefully pull clear.

Today's game against Wimbledon is sure to be one of our tougher games. They come to Kenilworth Road still in need of a couple of wins to stay clear of the relegation dogfight, and with a powerful forward line containing John Fashanu and Andy Clarke, I'm sure John Dreyer and myself will have our work cut out.

I would like to take this opportunity to welcome Imre Varadi to the club. Imre, who joined us on loan from Leeds United, is an experienced campaigner and could provide us with that extra firepower we need in attack. His experience will no doubt help the younger players at the club, and with Brian Stein, Jamie Campbell and a nearly fit Phil Gray all pushing for places, it gives us plenty of options for a partner for Mick Harford.

It was great to see so many of you at Southampton two weeks ago. Cheering the lads on sure gives you a lift away from home, especially when the home crowd are kept quiet. We need your vocal support more than ever now, so keep cheering and enjoy the game!



David Pleat and our youth team manager Terry Westley are pictured with our youth team trainees, Neil Ryan, Matthew Holtam, Paul Newman and Paul Murray, who all recently acquired City and Guild certificates after a series of day release courses.



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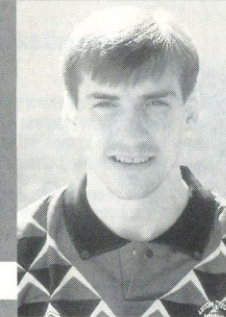
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Junior Hatters

With Alec Chamberlain.



Today we welcome Joe Kinnear and his players from Wimbledon to Kenilworth Road. The Dons have been playing well during the past few weeks and have climbed up the table and out of the relegation zone.

Do not forget to book up for the Wembley tour on Wednesday, April 22. We have eight seats left on the coach, which leaves from Oak Road at 1.45 pm. The price is £5 for Junior Hatters and £6 for parents. The price includes the coach trip and entry to the stadium. This trip will take place during your school holidays.

By popular request, we will be going to the American Adventure Theme Park for the Junior Hatters summer day out, as it was enjoyed so much by those who went last year. We will be going on Sunday, June 21 and the price will be £12.00. This includes your coach fare and entry

into the park - the rides which you go on are free. As the price is at a discount, a deposit of £5.00 will be required with all bookings.

There are plenty of rides for you to have a go on, like the white-knuckle rides of the Wet and Wild Niagara Rapids, the Awesome Missile, the hair-raising Runaway Train and the all-action shoot-outs in Silver City. The coach will leave from the top end of Kenilworth Road at 8-45 am. You can take a packed lunch or use the catering facilities at the theme park. Please book early from the Oak Road Sports Shop.

Today's lucky Junior Hatters Membership Number is 0141.....STACEY SMITH, which means that Stacey is the winner of two free tickets for one of our remaining home games this season. To claim your prize, Stacey, please call into the Oak Road Sports Shop and bring your membership card with you.

Match Mascot



This afternoon's mascot is David Hing. He is ten-years-old and goes to the Thomas Coram School. He is interested in golf and football and plays for the Berkhamstead Dynamos. David's favourite player is Mick Harford.

QUIZ TIME

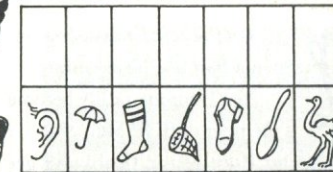
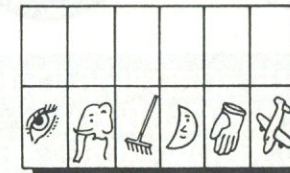
- Who was Luton's first ever Football League match against?
- Can you name all the Luton managers of the 1980's?
- Which side do Genoa of Italy share their ground with?
- What city do Scottish side Hearts come from?

- Leicester Fosse in 1897, we drew 1-1.
- David Plead, John Moore and Ray Harford.
- Sampdoria.
- Edinburgh.

Answers

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Fans' view

Town help make the grade

Dear Sir,

Quite a while back I wrote to manager David Pleat asking for help in a project I was doing for maths called 'completing the cost of running Luton Town Football Club for a period of one year'.

Graciously, Mr Pleat invited me to visit a training session and I used the visit to my full advantage. With his help, I got a grade 'A' for my project, and for this I am truly grateful.

I would also like to thank his secretary, who was very kind, Colin Murphy, and all the players who put up with my tiresome questions.

Over the past few months I have developed a great interest in Luton Town, and I plan to go to more games in the future.

Martin O'Dowd,
11 Shearmans,
Fullers Slade,
Milton Keynes,
Bucks MK11 2BG.



LUTON TOWN SUPPORTERS CLUB INFORMATION

The Supporters' Club presentation evening will be held on April 26 this year at the Coliseum in Luton. The evening will start at 8 pm and tickets will cost £5 inclusive of buffet and disco.

Tickets will be on sale from the Supporters Club after today's match or from Pam Gray, Chairperson, Luton Town Supporters Club, c/o Luton Town FC, Kenilworth Road Stadium, 1 Maple Road, Luton, Bedfordshire. LU4 8AW.

As in previous years, the evening will include the presentation of the players' awards for the season. These are the Players' Player of the Year, the Young Player of the Year and the Supporters' Club Player of the Year.

Always an entertaining and memorable night out, this year's Presentation Evening promises to be better than ever with the popular format arranged again.

Make sure you do not miss out on your chance to meet the players and staff in truly relaxed surroundings. Order your tickets as soon as possible.

Finally, on behalf of all the committee at the Luton Town Supporters Club, warmest congratulations to Ron Howard and his wife Joan on their ruby anniversary. Well done, the pair of you!

Pam Gray, Chairperson

Club with a bright future

Dear Sir,

Despite our current league position, it has been a very successful season in the cause of the future of the club.

Scott Oakes is one player who has not been in the team for long, but has already proved he can beat any defender and also has an eye for goal.

Paul Telfer and Darren Salton, who are both in their first season at Kenilworth Road, are already Scotland under-21 internationals, and Jamie Campbell had proved that he can be a good partner for Mick Harford or Brian Stein.

On a sad note, it is a shame Kurt Nogan has been transfer-listed when a couple of years ago he looked like a star player of the future.

Nick Massie,
61 Bidwell Hill,
Houghton Regis,
Beds LU5 5EP.

Want to air your views?

Please write to: The Editor, c/o Luton Town FC., Kenilworth Road Stadium, 1 Maple Road, Luton, Beds. LU4 8AW.

An all-seater opponent

Dear Sir,

There is a rumour that the Kenilworth Road terrace is going to be all-seater next season: one year earlier than required.

This would be a bad move. There is still time for a reprieve on the ludicrous all-seater law if all the relevant bodies pull together.

It would not do to alienate Luton Town supporters any earlier than those of other clubs. This goes for any proposed price increase too, although I am glad to see that the club has not opted for an unworkable 'bond scheme' though.

I am afraid that in losing the ardent standing supporter, you lose the majority of a club's away support as well (apologies to fans who sit and travel). This has been illustrated in the current season by Everton F.C. who went all-seater for home fans and most away fans at the start of this campaign. Their average home gate is ten thousand down on previous years, there is little atmosphere and the travelling support is pitiful.

I have heard a lot of chairmen making the 'we've got no choice' excuse lately, where all-seaters are concerned. I find the lack of fight and vision hard to take. What the chairmen should be doing is collecting themselves and their opinions, and telling the Football Licensing Authority that the 92 league clubs WILL NOT go all-seater.

The government could not and would not refuse to license the stadiums (and hence destroy football) because of the loss of pools and other betting revenue. Also, there would be thousands of bored and frustrated people on the streets and in pubs on a Saturday afternoon, which the authorities just could not cope with.

Clifford Saunders,
89 Brickmakers Lane,
Hemel Hempstead,
Herts HP3 8PA.

Thank-you David

Dear Sir,

Just a brief word to thank most warmly David Pleat for opening the 'Have A Go Day' last Saturday. It turned out to be a great success as more than 170 people took part (20 over the limit!).

Mr Pleat's words and his presence were most appreciated and got the day off to a flying start.

Good luck for the remainder of the season.

Mervyn Terrett,
The Hertfordshire Society For The Blind,
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Box office

By Cherry Newbery

Barclays League Division One OLDHAM ATHLETIC V LUTON TOWN

Saturday, April 11, 1992, kick-off 3.00 pm

Seats for this match are priced at £9.50 (no concessions) and are available from the Ticket Office in Kenilworth Road until 4.00 pm on Thursday, April 9 and also on the day at Oldham.

Barclays League Division One LUTON TOWN V MANCHESTER UNITED

Saturday, April 18, 1992, kick-off 3.00 pm

This is an ALL-TICKET MATCH FOR ALL SUPPORTERS. Tickets go on general sale to members after today's match with Wimbledon. Normal league prices and guesting facilities apply. There will be no tickets on sale on the day of the match. Please note: The Ticket Office will remain open until 7.00 pm on Thursday 16th and Friday 17th April.

Barclays League Division One QUEENS PARK RANGERS V LUTON TOWN

Monday, April 20, 1992, kick-off 3.00 pm

Seats priced at £12.00 (no concessions) are available from the Ticket Office until Saturday, April 18 and on the day at Queens Park Rangers. Standing will be £7.00 (no concessions) and pay on the turnstiles on the day only.

Barclays League Division One LUTON TOWN V ASTON VILLA

Saturday, April 25, 1992, kick-off 3.00 pm

Tickets for this match go on sale on Saturday, April 18 (after the Manchester United game). Normal league prices and guesting facilities apply.

Barclays League Division One NOTTS COUNTY V LUTON TOWN

Saturday, May 2, 1992, kick-off 3.00 pm

Seats priced at £11.00 (no concessions) are available from the Ticket Office until Friday, May 1 at 4.00 pm and also on the day at Notts County. Standing will be £7.00 (no concessions) pay at the turnstile on the day.

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By road: Take the M1 and the M6 north to the junction with the M62. Join the M62 until junction 20 and then the A627 to the junction with the A644. Leave at roundabout and take the first exit on to the Broadway. Take the first right into Hibre Avenue for ground.

Nearest railway: Werneth (B/R).

There is a car park with 1,200 spaces on a site adjacent to the ground, priced £1.00 - see page 4 of today's programme.

QUEENS PARK RANGERS

By road: Take the M1 south and then the A406 North Circular Road as for Neasden. Then in three-quarters of a mile turn left to join the A404 (sign-posted Harlesden). Follow signs for Hammersmith and turn right into White City Road then left into South Africa Road for ground.

Nearest railway: Shepherds Bush or White City (both Underground Central Line).

Limited street parking is available.

Travel Club

Bookings for the Bobbers Travel Club can be made in any of the following ways:

1. From the ticket kiosk at the Kenilworth Road turnstiles before any first-team game at home between 2pm and kick-off, or
2. On the return journey from the previous away game with the Travel Club, or
3. By telephoning Paul Deason on Bedford (0234) 750996.

Fares

Fares for the trip to OLDHAM will be £9.50 adults and £7.50 OAP's/children, with coaches leaving Cranfield at 8.30 am and Luton at 9.30 am, with the normal pick-up points en route.

Fares for the trip to QUEENS PARK RANGERS will be £4.50 adults and £3.50 OAP's/children, with coaches leaving Cranfield at 11.30 am and Luton at 12.30 am, again with the normal pick-up points en route.

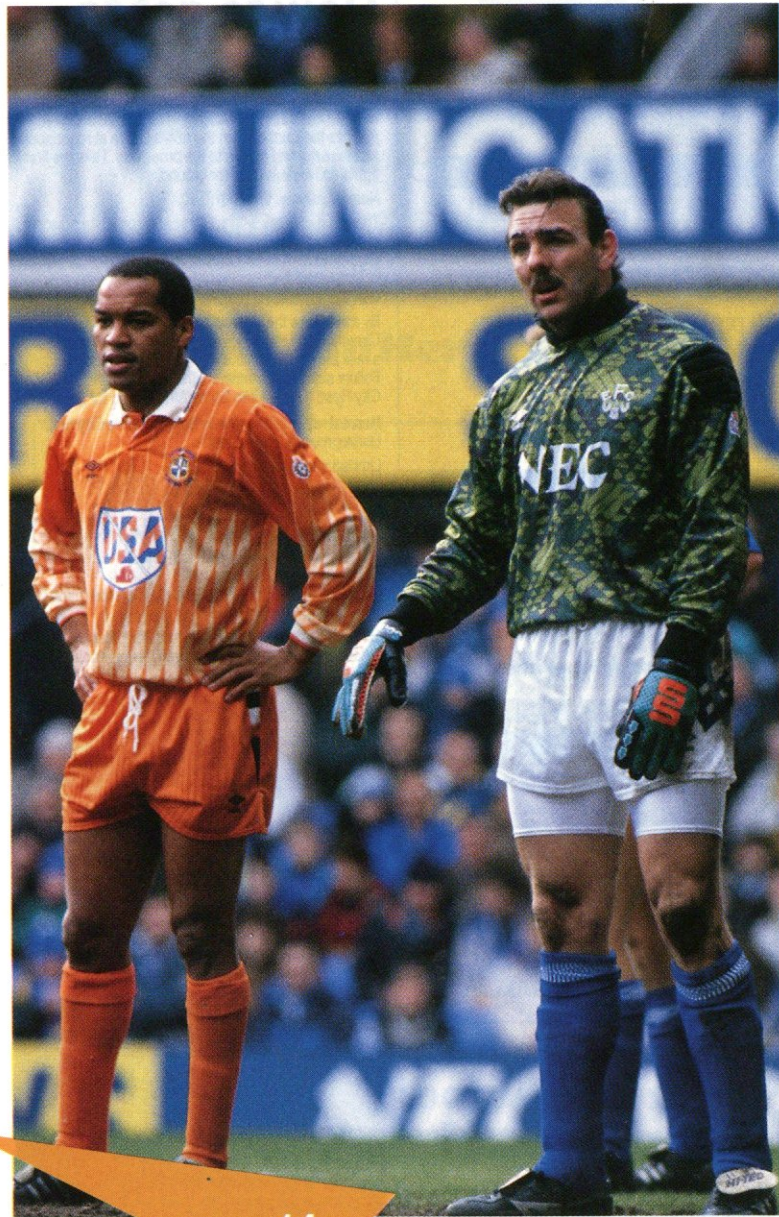
Ticket Office Hours

The Ticket Office is open from 10 am to 4 pm on weekdays and from 10 am to 1 am on non-match Saturdays. On match Saturdays, it remains open for the afternoon. For all Ticket Office and Membership inquiries, please call Cherry Newbery, Ticket Office manager, on 0582-411622 or 30748. The Credit Card Hotline is available 72 hours before a match on 0582-30748.

Action replay

Pictures by Josh Levy

From: Goodison Park
March 14, 1992
Everton 1 Luton Town 1
Attendance: 16,707
Referee: K Barratt
(Coventry)



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Despite Brian Stein putting the Town in the lead – courtesy of Mark Pembroke's fine free-kick which crashed against the bar – Everton managed to equalise midway through the second half. The game left Everton boss Howard Kendall praising the Town saying: "Luton are too good to go down." Pictured in action at Goodison Park on March 14 are Brian Stein and full back Julian James.

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Today's visitors

By Luke Nicolli

Welcome to Wimbledon

WIMBLEDON F.C. 1991/92 SEASON



Back row (left to right): Joe Dillon (kit man), Neal Ardley, Chris Perry, Dean Blackwell, Paul Miller, Hans Segers, Steve Allen (physio), Neil Sullivan, Stewart Castledine, Aidan Newhouse, Brian McAllister, Warren Barton, Ron Stuart (chief scout).
Middle row (left to right): Syd Neal (kit manager), Carlton Fairweather, John Scales, Robbie Earle, Lawrie Sanchez, Steve Anthrobus, Scott Fitzgerald, John Fashanu, Alan Cork (now Sheffield United), Roger Joseph, Detzi Kruszynski, Mickey Bennett, Roger Smith (youth development officer).
Front row (left to right): Terry Burton (coach), Andy Clarke, Gerald Dobbs, Paul McGee, Terry Gibson, Peter Withe (no longer with the club), Gary Elkins, Vaughan Ryan, Justin Skinner, Terry Phelan, Joe Kinnear (manager).

At the start of season 1991/92, most soccer pundits once again tipped Wimbledon to face the drop come May. Without the added comfort of their Plough Lane ground and with the shock resignation of coach Don Howe before the season had started, relegation did, however, look a definite reality this time round for the Dons.

Under former Town coach Ray Harford, and residing as tenants at Selhurst Park, they started the season sprightly enough. Despite crowds barely reaching 4,000 on occasions, the Dons won four of their opening six league matches – including a 3-0 victory against the Town – and found themselves in the relative comfort of midway in the First Division. With leading scorer and club captain John Fashanu regularly on the scoresheet, it looked as if Wimbledon would once again prove their critics wrong.

But, as we all know in football, events can change around quite dramatically. Ray Harford left to join Kenny Dalglish at Blackburn

Rovers, and former Aston Villa forward Peter Withe was appointed for his first managerial post...The Dons looked a shadow of their former selves.

The side lost their way under Withe's guidance, crashing out of both the Rumbelows Cup at Peterborough and the FA Cup against Bristol City. To make matters worse, the Dons had plummeted to 18th in the First Division table. Many supporters believed that the 'Crazy Gang' spirit had died when Harford left, but in true Wimbledon spirit they again lifted themselves after the dismissal of Withe, with reserve team boss Joe Kinnear taking over at the helm.

The appointment of Kinnear seems to have given the whole club a lift and, although the Dons are placed 17th in the league, they are 14 points ahead of bottom club West Ham United after impressive victories against high-flying Manchester City (2-0), Notts County (2-0), Oldham (1-0) and more recently drawing 0-0 with Manchester United at Old Trafford.

The 'crazy gang' spirit has once again returned and the players are totally behind

Kinnear. John Fashanu, speaking after a recent victory, said: "Joe would be manager of the month, the trouble is he's manager of Wimbledon."

Hounded by many for their direct style of play, the Dons therefore seem all the more determined to succeed, particularly after such a turbulent season. They are proving once again that the small clubs can succeed alongside the giants of the game, and are gearing themselves up for a place in the Premier League next term.

Old boys from the Central School formed Wimbledon F.C. under the name of Wimbledon Old Centrals in 1889. Their earliest successes were in the Clapham League, before switching to the Southern Suburban League in 1902.

They finally gained Football League status 76 years later, drawing their opening match 3-3 with Halifax Town. From then on the stature of the club has snowballed, culminating in promotion to Division One in 1986 under boss Dave Bassett, and winning the FA Cup 1-0 against Liverpool two years later.

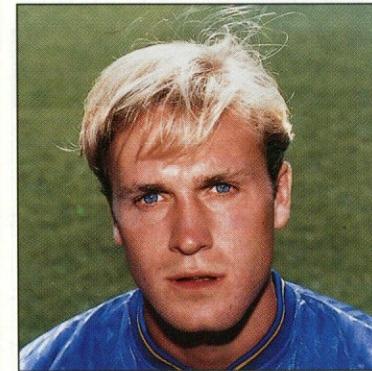
Dons on Parade

HANS SEGERS (goalkeeper) – Hans, who had previously played for Nottingham Forest, vied for Steve Sutton's jersey during his time at the City Ground. His career was rejuvenated after a £125,000 move to Wimbledon in 1988, and he has missed only one game in the last two seasons. In 1989-90 he was voted Player of the Year by Dons' fans.

NEAL ARDLEY (defender) – 19-year-old Neil is one of five first-year professionals who made his first team debut at Aston Villa last season. A very neat, compact player, he has established himself as a regular in the Dons side in recent weeks.

TERRY PHELAN (defender) – Terry, the Republic of Ireland youth, under-21 and now full international started his career at Leeds United. After only 14 appearances for the Peacocks, he moved to Swansea City in 1986. After one full season in Division Four, he was snapped up by Wimbledon for just £90,000 and is now rated as a £1 million full-back.

JOHN SCALES (defender) – Another former Leeds apprentice, John joined Wimbledon from Bristol Rovers for £75,000 and quickly emerged as a favourite with the Plough Lane faithful. His natural position is centre-back, but can also operate effectively when needed in midfield. This versatility has made him a target for the big clubs this season.



John Scales

SCOTT FITZGERALD (defender) – Scott is a highly promising youngster who has broken through to the first team this season following the sale of Keith Curle to Manchester City. A product of Wimbledon's youth team policy, he has already gained Irish under-21 caps.

WARREN BARTON (midfield) – Warren started his league career with newcomers Maidstone United in 1989. He quickly established himself at Watling Street and within a year he was playing in the First Division after a £300,000 move to Plough Lane. His conversion to top-flight football was complete when last season he was named Wimbledon Player of the Year.

PAUL MILLER (midfield) – Paul is a former Wimbledon trainee who made his debut for the Dons as a 19-year-old in 1987. After a spell on loan at Newport County, he has established himself in the first team on a regular basis.

Laurie Sanchez (midfield) – Laurie, who joined Wimbledon from Reading in 1984, was introduced to the Northern Ireland side four seasons ago. He has since made over 250 appearances for the Dons and his most important goal for the club was the 1988 FA Cup winner against Liverpool at Wembley.

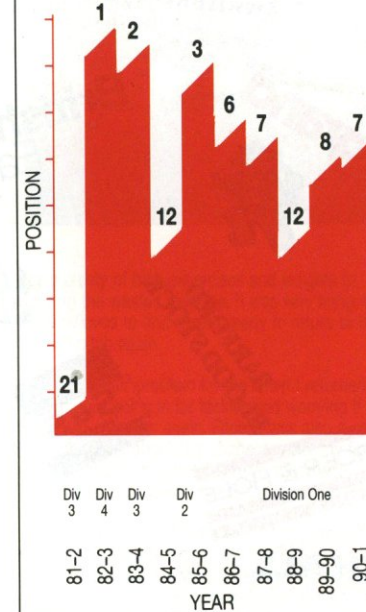
Vaughan Ryan (midfield) – A former captain of England Schools under-15's, 23-year-old Vaughan made his debut against Tottenham Hotspur in April 1987. Although he has been unable to gain a regular place in the first team, he has made some valuable contributions from the subs' bench this season.

Paul McGee (forward) – Paul started his league career with Colchester United in 1989 after joining the club from Bohemians in Ireland. A few weeks later he was signed by Wimbledon for an initial payment of £75,000 and scored on his league debut in a 2-2 draw with Arsenal at Highbury.

Aidan Newhouse (forward) – Aidan joined Chester City as a trainee and made his league debut in May 1988. After some impressive performances leading the City front line, he was snapped up by Wimbledon for £100,000 in February 1990, making his debut v Charlton in April of that year.

John Fashanu (forward) – John has emerged in recent years as one of the most prolific and powerful front runners in the First Division. An England international, he has scored over 100 goals for the club and, quashing any doubts about his future at Selhurst Park, has signed a new lucrative contract. He started his career alongside brother Justin at Norwich. He then had two year spells with Lincoln and Millwall before joining Wimbledon in 1986.

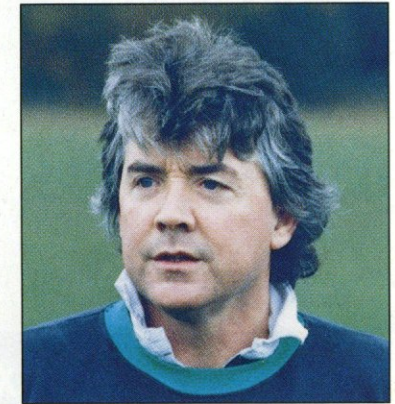
10 year record



Robbie Earle (forward) – Wimbledon's record buy, Robbie was signed from Port Vale for a tribunal fee of £775,000. He made a name for himself after guiding Vale from Division Four to Division Two and scoring over 70 goals for the club. This season he has netted nine league goals.

Andy Clarke (forward) – Andy, a prolific scorer for non-league Barnet, made the step-up to league football last season when he joined the Dons for £350,000. He made an immediate impact scoring six goals in five reserve outings and three goals in seven first team appearances. This season he has struggled to capture a regular place, although he has recently enjoyed an extended first team run.

Meet the Boss



JOE KINNEAR

Joe is the Dons' seventh manager since the club came into the Football League in 1977. The first four took the club into the 1990's, but Mr Kinnear's appointment was the third in 13 months.

A 44-year-old Dubliner, he joined Tottenham from St. Albans City in 1965 and in ten years at White Hart Lane, he won four major medals – FA Cup (1967), League Cup (1971 and 1973) and UEFA Cup (1972).

Capped 26 times by the Republic of Ireland, he closed his career through injury at Brighton but always planned to stay in the game after taking his full coaching badge under Dave Sexton with the Football Association.

For a number of years, he coached with great success in the Middle East and Malaysia, and then returned to English football in South Yorkshire. He joined Dave MacKay at Doncaster Rovers, and his two years at Belle Vue involved three months as manager, before Billy Bremner took charge in 1989.

He then joined Wimbledon and spent two years as reserve team coach and Assistant Manager to Ray Harford. He had hopes of the manager's job when Harford left last October. His chance eventually arrived in January and at the same time, coach Terry Burton was promoted to assistant boss.

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Player profile

Mick O'Brien

Two years ago, Mick O'Brien was one of Luton Town's hottest prospects, playing alongside Mark Pembridge and Ceri Hughes in the heart of the Town's reserve side. Known for his strong running and ball-winning skills, Mick was tipped to go all the way and make the first team, that was until disaster struck...

A reserve game at Norwich on October 20, 1989 threatened to end his career before it had even started. He broke both the fibia and tibula bones in his left leg which required many months of operations and heartache.

"As anyone who has broken their leg will know, the injury was absolutely agonising. When I got to the hospital, I had the leg x-rayed and found that because both bones were broken in the leg, I needed an operation to help it mend correctly.

"I had five pins put in initially, but after giving the leg the necessary time to heal, it was discovered that I would need to have another operation to help the leg mend fully, which this time required seven pins. In total, I had four operations before the doctors were happy that my leg would heal properly."

With his career looking doubtful and in plaster for a total of twelve months, the club sent Mick home to his native Ireland to recuperate and concentrate on making a full recovery.

"It helped going back to Ireland as I had family around who helped me around the home. Although I knew the injury was a bad one, there was never a time when I thought that I would not step back on the football pitch in Luton's colours. Having a lot of time to think about my future made me all the more determined to succeed."

When Mick finally returned to Luton, his long, hard road to regain full fitness began in earnest.

"When I was in plaster back home, I couldn't do any proper exercise, so I just made sure I ate all the right food. When I did get back I started off



doing plenty of bike exercises and weights to build up the wasted muscles. It was very tiring, but I was relieved to find myself ready to return to the football pitch again.

"The major problem for me when I returned was actually going in for tackles and worrying if my leg would give way again. Fitness was also a problem - I felt absolutely shattered after my first training session, but also felt relieved to have come through successfully without any problems."

The real test for Mick was his first competitive game back. After being an un-used sub in a Combination fixture against Crystal Palace, Mick was drafted into the reserve side for the derby match against Watford on March 10, July 29 months after he last turned out for the Hatters.

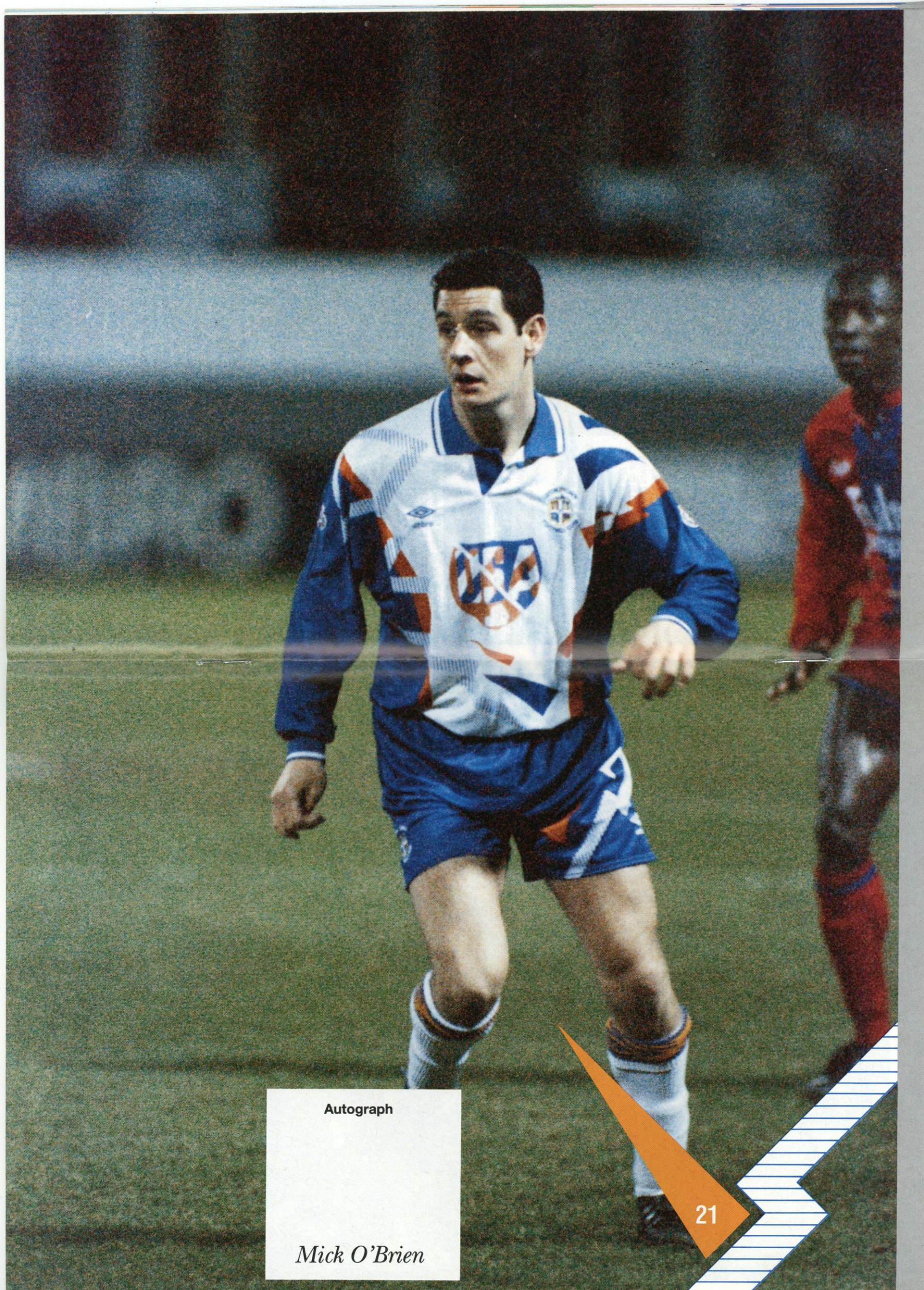
"I found the pace very difficult, particularly as derby matches are hectic affairs. I was very nervous at first but felt more comfortable once the game had settled down. I was still a bit worried about going in for 50-50 tackles which is something I am getting to grips with all the time. It was so pleasing to be back playing competitively again."

Unfortunately for Mick, his contract expires at the end of the season, so he has very little time to prove his worth after such a lengthy lay off.

"In the remaining games of the season I aim to play to the best of my ability and win the manager over. The road to recovery has been a very difficult one, but would be complete with a new contract at Luton."

MICK O'BRIEN FACT FILE

Born: Dublin 28.11.70
Previous clubs: None
Joined Luton Town: 1987 from apprentice
Football League debut: —
International career:
Rep of Ireland Youth Caps



Autograph

Mick O'Brien



Brian Stein scored his second league goal of the season at Goodison Park on March 14.

BOLD CHANGES FOR THE SAKE OF FOOTBALL

Since the end of the 1990 World Cup in Italy, where standards suffered as the result of defensive play, debate has revolved around the necessity for alterations to the laws of the game. FIFA has looked at the matter from a variety of angles and has formed a Technical Committee to look into the matter further. Here are its recommendations...

The statistics produced after the 1990 World Cup speak for themselves. In Italia '90 there were on average only eight attempts per match to shoot at the opponents' goal. Out of 249 free-kicks at goal only seven hit the back of the net, usually because the distance from wall to ball was abused. The corner statistics were even more astounding: the attacking teams notched up only nine goals from a total of 457 kicks. Action-packed goal mouth action was outnumbered by no fewer than 1,586 back passes to the goalkeeper.

The ultra-defensive attitude behind these statistics was one of the reasons for the wide-spread disappointment felt by many fans after the World Cup.

The Committee, lead by former Sweden manager Lars Arnesson, believe that present laws in the game and the league system force teams to become defensive instead of setting out to score goals which is the 'name of the game'. They state that players' and coaches' attitudes could be easily changed with only minor adjustments, which would provide more excitement.

One of the first laws which the committee believe should be taken away are those which they describe as 'annoying'. For instance, the goalkeeper should be able to clear the ball either from the right or from the left of goal, regardless of where the ball left the field of play. They state that the ball should be kicked as well as thrown from the touchline into the field of play to increase goalmouth action.

Considering that corners seldom lead to a goal, the committee would like to see a 'short corner' introduced from the point where the penalty area and goaline meet. They recommend that free-kicks should only be direct ones so that teams who are in fact being deprived of their attacking advantage should not have additional obstacles strewn in their patch en route to goal.

A law which Arnesson would like to see introduced is that concerning the back-pass. Unofficial tests in his homeland during the FIFA under-17 World Championships cut back this type of timewasting by 30 per-cent which can only improve the game.

They also believe that the habits of some players who drag out the formation of a wall for as long as possible during a free kick are sabotage. A cure would be stricter refereeing and extending the distance prescribed to 11 metres.

The committee point out that the offside rule in its present state incorporate all the drawbacks already mentioned. It encourages teams to play defensively and many decisions tend to be very controversial, particularly when deciding if a player is interfering with play or not. They believe that if the offside rule was restricted to the final third of the pitch, then teams would not play so defensively, i.e. forming an offside trap on the half-way line.

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FIFA has also sent a circular to all the associations in the world pointing out that international referees will, in future, be required to show a basic knowledge of English. They have stated that they can no longer tolerate communication difficulties between referee and linesmen, which in some cases, can have a bearing on the outcome of results. All international referees who cannot speak English have now been instructed to take intensive courses.

Even though some of the new laws recommended are seen to be radical, the formation of such a committee prove that FIFA are taking the subject of defensive play seriously. Will such rules as kick-ins and short corners be implemented? We will just have to wait and see.

What do supporters think? What other rule changes would you implement? Write to us c/o Rule Changes, LTFC Programme, Luton Town F.C. with your own views.



Red Star Belgrade are the European Club Champions, but will be remembered by most for winning the final against Marseille with negative tactics, taking the game to penalties.

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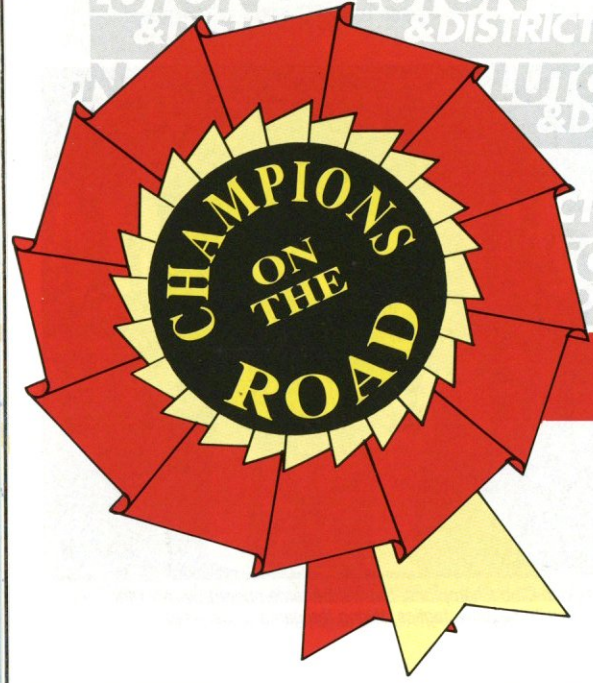
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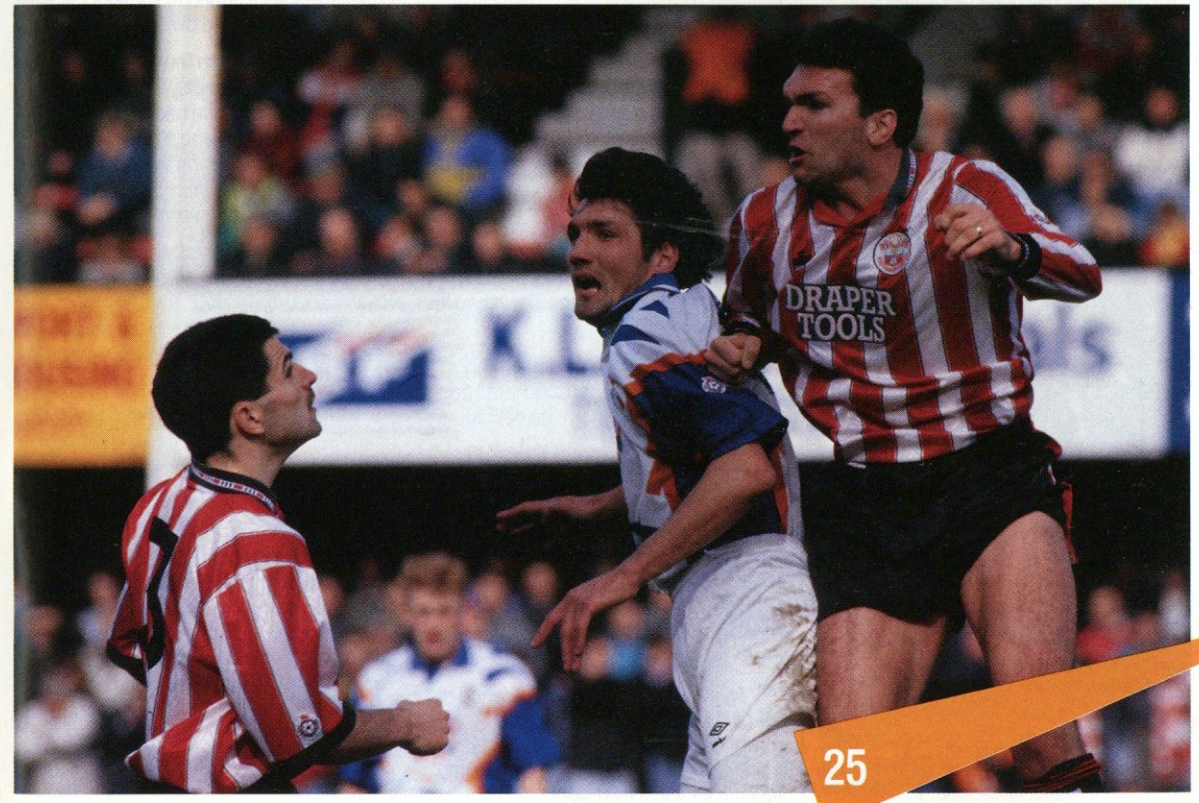
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Tim Flowers (above) dives in vain to stop Mark Pembridge's spectacular 43 second opener at Southampton on March 21, while Mick Harford (below) is pictured in action during the same game.



Looking back

By Roger Wash

The Last Time We Met...

September 7, 1991 (Division One)

Wimbledon 3 (Clarke, Ryan 2)
Luton Town 0

Referee: A. Bennett (Sheffield)

Attendance: 3,231

Luton Town – Chamberlain, Jackson, Harvey (Rodger), McDonough, Dreyer, Peake, Gray, Preece, Nogan, Pembridge, Holsgrove (Teifer).

Wimbledon – Segers, Joseph, Phelan, Barton, Fitzgerald, Scales, Fairweather (McGee), Elkins, Clarke, Ryan, Cork (Newhouse).

In front of the then lowest-ever First Division attendance, the Town were well beaten by a much more powerful Wimbledon side.

With virtually a whole forward line out injured, David Pleat had to opt for youth and a defensive format, but the corner count of 16 to nil told its own story.



Kurt Nogan was drafted into the side at Wimbledon.

Scottish signings fail to light up a dreary season

Season 1950/51 had not got off to a particularly good start with only three wins from the first twenty games, attendances were down by 5,000 and the club were positioned at the bottom of the Division Two table as Christmas approached.

Although the general pattern of play was attractive and the defence fairly solid, it was the lack of goalscoring punch that was letting the side down with George Stobbart ploughing a lone furrow down the middle as a variety of partners were tried out, found wanting, then dropped.

Something obviously needed to be done and manager, Dally Duncan, using his knowledge of Scotland, set his eyes on a free-scoring St Mirren forward Willie Davie and Celtic utility player Pat McAuley.

On Wednesday, December 13, Duncan left Luton on the night train for Glasgow and the following morning signed Davie and opened negotiations for McAuley. The talks broke down, so back came Duncan on the night train to Luton from where he went straight to Reading with the youth team.

While he was there, he learnt that Celtic were prepared to re-open negotiations, so off to Glasgow he went again, signed McAuley on the Saturday morning and came back that evening, hearing on the way that the Town had lost 1-0 at Brentford.

These two signings immediately turned things around with two wins and two draws recorded from the next four games, leading up to the plum FA Cup third round draw at home against the then current league champions Portsmouth.

Portsmouth were expected to beat the Town easily, but such was the surge of optimism in the short space of one month that Luton supporters had a sneaking feeling that the opposition would be over-confident.

As it turned out, over confidence did not come into it as Pompey were completely outplayed in a 2-0 defeat which to all, apart from the Luton faithful, was the shock of the day.

With rain falling on an already heavy pitch, the 21,631 crowd went into raptures as the Town tore into the Portsmouth defence, but had only one goal to show for it at half-time, when Davie hit home a superb through ball from the Stobbart in the 25th minute. It would have been no injustice had the Town been three up at half-time, but a more realistic scoreline came about three minutes into the second period when South African Willie Havenga smacked in a cross from Alec Glover.

Portsmouth came more into the game after that, but with Syd Owen controlling Duggie Reid, and Bernard Stretton in the Luton goal pulling off a couple of good saves, the Town comfortably held on for a place in round four, again at home, against Bristol Rovers.

This time, the Town were favourites, and a near record crowd of 26,586 rolled up at Kenilworth Road to witness the slaughter of the third division side.

The boot was on the other foot, however, as Rovers played the kind of football that the Town had displayed in the previous round and although Charlie Watkins gave Luton the lead in the 13th minute against the run of play, there was only going to be one winner.

Shots from all angles rained down on Stretton, who was eventually beaten in the 30th minute when he could only punch out a fierce shot straight to the feet of Vic Lambden, who was left with an empty net.

The inevitable Rovers' winner came early in the second half when George Patherbridge dribbled past two Luton defenders and beat Stretton as he advanced.

The euphoria built up since the double signing before Christmas subsided as quickly as it had started, and was reflected in the Town's league form which dipped considerably and it was only the eight goals in 22 games scored by Davie that eventually saved Luton from relegation.



Steve White (above) scored against Blackburn Rovers ten years ago, while Mark Stein (below) scored his first league goal at Plough Lane five years ago.



Did you know?

The first time we met Wimbledon in the league was as recent as five seasons ago. The home game is mentioned elsewhere on this page, but at Plough Lane, a first league goal for Mark Stein secured the points.

It happened five years ago

4/4/87 – Today's visitors Wimbledon were the visitors to Kenilworth Road. A dull 0-0 draw kept the Town in third position in the league.

It happened ten years ago

3/4/82 – It was generally reckoned that this home game against Blackburn would be the toughest of the season. Rovers fought hard, but were unable to prevent Brian Stein and Steve White securing a 2-0 victory for the Town to consolidate our place at the top of Division Two.

It happened 15 years ago

2/4/77 – It had to happen eventually. A second minute goal from Alan Ball was enough to give Southampton victory over the Town at The Dell. It was the Town's first defeat since January 1 and ended a run of eleven wins and a draw from the previous twelve matches.

It happened 20 years ago

4/4/72 – After a great performance in beating Sheffield Wednesday at home the previous Saturday, the Town came down to earth with a bump, losing 1-0 to Hull City at Kenilworth Road in front of 9,763.

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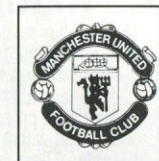
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United fans throughout the world are wondering if this will be the season that Manchester United finally win the Division One Football League Championship for the first time since 1967.

The last time they won the title, the likes of Charlton, Best and Stepney were in their prime, winning the title by four points from Nottingham Forest. Although the Red Devils have since excelled themselves in many cup competitions, the title of 'champions' has always eluded them.

Great managers such as Tommy Docherty, Dave Sexton and Ron Atkinson have all tried since in their bid for championship success and failed. Labelled as a 'nearly team' United's large and loyal following were becoming tired of coming so near on occasions, yet failing during the final run-in to the end of the season.

The same was said of Alex Ferguson when he

took over as manager in 1986 when the club was just pipped at the post by neighbours and rivals Liverpool in his first full season in charge. Since then, United's league form has been inconsistent to say the least, finishing 11th in '89, 13th in '90 and 6th last season.

After recent successes in the FA Cup of 1990 and the Cup Winners' Cup in 1991, Mr Ferguson had the backbone of a side which could make a real effort for the championship this term. Ukrainian international Andrei Kanchelskis, Danish goalkeeper Peter Schmeichel and England full-back Paul Parker were all signed pre-season and were seen to be the missing parts to the jigsaw which included the likes of Hughes, McClair, Robson and Webb.

Added to this the exiting, raw young talent of Ryan Giggs and Lee Sharpe, and with such strength-in-depth at the club, then the expectations on the manager this term were more than justified.

The players have not let their manager down. As we enter the final stretch of the season, United, who have already booked a place with Nottingham Forest in the Rumbelows Cup Final, look odds-on favourites for the Division One crown. With only 3 defeats at the time of writing, they are 2 points behind their nearest rivals Leeds United on 67 points, but have two games in hand.

Ryan Giggs, the Young Player of the Year, has become the find of the season, Brian McClair has been scoring freely and the defence, including Player of the Year Gary Pallister, has been the meanest in the First Division all season. Also, their away form has been exemplary with eight wins and only two defeats.

Criticised for being a team of individuals in the past, United really do look a complete team now and with United and Luton both desperate for points for such different reasons, the game at Kenilworth Road on April 18 is sure to be a classic.



David Preece shoots for goal during Manchester Utd's visit to Kenilworth Road last season.

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The dress requirements are collar and tie. Number of members is 44.



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There is a limited guesting facility at an additional charge on a per match basis.

The dress standard is smart/casual however, jeans are not allowed. Number of members 141.



THE CENTURY CLUB SUITE

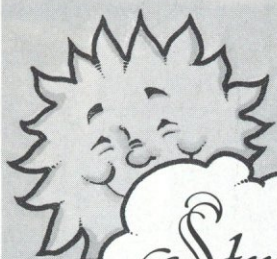


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John Dreyer (top) and Scott Oakes (bottom) are both pictured in action during the Town's recent 1-1 draw with Crystal Palace.





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Guest spot

With Michael Heatley

Is there a future for the serious British soccer weekly?

While cricket is well served with publications covering its past, soccer has comparatively few. Michael Heatley, editor of The Footballer, wonders why...

There won't be many here today who can recall Easter Monday of 1936, when one of Mick Harford's most illustrious predecessors in Luton's number nine shirt, Joe Payne, cracked ten goals past Bristol Rovers keeper Ellis in a 12-0 thrashing in front of a 13,000 crowd.

It is still the only ten-goal haul in league history, and is commemorated in pictures, prose and press cuttings in the current edition of *The Footballer*. Joe himself died in 1975 at the age of 61, but his record has outlived him: it is the aim of *The Footballer*, as Britain's Journal of Soccer History and Statistics, to keep such darling deeds of football history alive for future generations to marvel at.

But is there a future for such a publication? Come to that, is there a future for serious soccer writing at all? Charles Buchan's *Football Monthly*, which continued until late last year (though without the famous ex-player's name) now seems to have finally ceased publication. *90 Minutes*, a promising newcomer, has now gone for the youth market to mix it with *Shoot, Match* and the like – probably due to the recession and consequent lack of 'lifestyle' advertisements. *World Soccer* continues to flourish, but league action obviously features only partially in its coverage. With English football at an historic juncture, I believe that now, more than ever, there is a place for *The Footballer* to keep the past alive.

Which brings us back to Joe Payne. The bare facts of his achievement can at least be discovered by anyone picking up a copy of the current season's *Rothmans*. It is the lesser-known but equally fascinating aspects of the game's past that are destined to be consigned to oblivion unless someone makes the effort to keep them alive. Cricket has a wide variety of publications dedicated to its history: why not our own beautiful game?

A sample copy of The Footballer can be obtained at the special-offer price of £1.95 (inc P&P) from Northdown Publishing (Dept LT), PO Box 49, Bordon, Hants GU35 0AF.

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Reserves and youth

By Terry Westley and John Moore



Neville Ovenden Football Combination 1991-92		
Tues 20 Aug	Charlton Athletic	2-1
Wed 28 Aug	Ipswich Town	0-3
Mon 2 Sept	Arsenal	0-1
Mon 9 Sept	Charlton Athletic	1-0
Fri 20 Sept	Norwich City	0-1
Mon 23 Sept	Millwall	0-1
Tues 1 Oct	West Ham United	1-0
Mon 7 Oct	Oxford United	2-2
Sat 12 Oct	Tottenham Hotspur	3-3
Mon 14 Oct	Norwich City	2-1
Sat 19 Oct	Arsenal	1-0
Mon 21 Oct	Millwall	2-2
Fri 25 Oct	Leighton Town (Beds Prem Floodlight Cup)	1-0
Mon 28 Oct	Chelsea	0-2
Sat 2 Nov	Portsmouth	0-2
Mon 11 Nov	West Ham United	0-0
Mon 18 Nov	Tottenham Hotspur	4-1
Mon 25 Nov	Wimbledon	1-1
Thurs 28 Nov	Potton (BPC)	3-5
Mon 2 Dec	Brighton & Hove Albion	2-1
Mon 16 Dec	Fulham	0-2
Mon 6 Jan	Ipswich Town	3-2
Wed 15 Jan	Wimbledon	3-0
Mon 20 Jan	Crystal Palace	2-4
Mon 27 Jan	Queens Park Rangers	1-0
Mon 3 Feb	Watford	2-1
Mon 10 Feb	Reading	7-1
Wed 12 Feb	Oxford United	0-1
Wed 19 Feb	Swindon Town	1-1
Tues 25 Feb	Queens Park Rangers	3-1
Mon 2 Mar	Crystal Palace	0-0
Tue 10 Mar	Watford	1-1
Mon 16 Mar	Southampton	3-4
Mon 23 Mar	Reading	4-2
Tues 31 Mar	Chelsea	0-2
Mon 6 Apr	Swindon Town	
Sat 11 Apr	Southampton	
Mon 13 Apr	Portsmouth	
Wed 15 Apr	Fulham	
Wed 22 Apr	Brighton & Hove Albion	

NEVILLE OVENDEN FOOTBALL COMBINATION 1991-92									
	P	W	D	L	F	A	Goals	Pts	
Arsenal	33	20	6	7	77	43	66	66	
Southampton	29	18	6	5	60	30	60	60	
Chelsea	30	18	6	6	62	35	60	60	
Q.P.R.	33	18	4	11	63	43	58	58	
Crystal Palace	31	15	9	7	55	40	54	54	
Norwich City	29	16	4	9	58	29	52	52	
Wimbledon	31	13	8	10	47	34	47	47	
LUTON TOWN	31	13	8	10	47	40	47	47	
Portsmouth	33	15	2	16	66	68	47	47	
Swindon Town	29	12	6	11	47	47	42	42	
Tottenham Hotspur	32	11	8	13	48	47	41	41	
Ipswich Town	32	11	8	13	56	61	41	41	
Millwall	32	10	9	13	61	71	39	39	
Watford	31	12	2	17	44	54	38	38	
Fulham	30	10	6	14	32	45	36	36	
Oxford United	30	10	4	16	47	68	34	34	
West Ham United	31	8	9	14	47	59	33	33	
Charlton Athletic	29	9	5	15	39	52	32	32	
Brighton & Hove Albion	31	6	5	20	42	64	23	23	
Reading	31	5	3	23	42	110	18	18	

RESERVES - APPEARANCES AND GOALSCORERS								
	Football Combination		Bedfordshire Premier Cup		Football Combination		Bedfordshire Premier Cup	
	App	Goals	App	Goals	App	Goals	App	Goals
Allpress	25(1)	-	1	-	8	-	-	-
Beaumont	2	-	1	-	6(5)	-	1	-
Brittain	1	-	1	-	-	-	1	-
Campbell	24(3)	4	1	1	20	14	-	(1)
Chamberlain	6	-	-	-	1	1	-	-
Dreyer	2	-	-	-	8(1)	2	-	-
Elliott	1(2)	-	2	-	9	-	-	-
Farrell	8(4)	4	1	3	19	-	2	-
Gillard	10(1)	-	2	-	5	-	1	-
Goodfellow	-	-	-	-	28	7	-	-
Gormley	4(6)	1	1	-	5	-	-	-
Gray	1	1	-	-	-	(2)	2	-
Greene	5(2)	-	2	-	26	1	-	-
Glover	1	-	-	-	9(1)	-	-	-
Hartson	-	(2)	1	-	5(5)	1	-	-
Harvey	6	-	-	-	1(2)	-	1	-
Holsgrove	12(1)	1	1	-	7	-	-	-
Holtam	6(9)	-	2	-	4	3	-	-
Howard	1	-	-	-	1(2)	-	1	-
Hughes	14	3	-	(1)	4	-	-	-
Jackson	2	-	-	-	1	-	-	-
James	5(1)	-	-	-	2(3)	-	-	-
Johnson	7	-	-	-	28(2)	5	2	-
Linton	13	1	-	-	-	-	-	-

Match Digest

Fixture: Luton Town v Southampton
Venue: Kenilworth Road
Date: 16.3.92
Competition: Neville Ovenden Football Combination
Result: 3-4
Scorers: Nogan, Campbell, Hartson
Team: Petterson, Holtam, Allpress, O'Brien, Salton, Greene, Williams, Linton, Nogan, Rees, Campbell. Subs: Sutton, Hartson.
Coach's comment: We got punished in this game for defensive and goalkeeping errors. With three of Southampton's goals, we should have done much better in stopping and any team who scores three goals should not be beaten by elementary errors.

Match Digest

Fixture: Luton Town v Reading
Venue: Kenilworth Road
Date: 23.3.92
Competition: Neville Ovenden Football Combination
Result: 4-2
Scorers: Nogan 3, O.G.
Team: Chamberlain, Linton, Holtam, Salton, Allpress, Johnson, Williams, O'Brien, Nogan, Hughes, Campbell. Subs: Murray, Hartson.
Coach's comment: We played well enough to take a 4-0 lead early in the second half. After that we thought we had done enough and our performance went downhill to finish unconvincingly at 4-2.

Match Digest

Fixture: Luton Town v Reading
Venue: LTFC Training Ground
Date: 29.2.92
Competition: South East Counties League
Result: 2-2
Scorer: Goodfellow and O.G.
Team: Hancock, Holtam, Skelton, Ryan, Philp, Greene, Sutton, Rogers, Newman, Elliott, Hartson. Subs: Smith, Goodfellow.
Coach's comment: After not playing for two weeks, I looked forward to a good performance, but it did not happen. We defended very poorly and missed some great chances. We never passed the ball well enough and found ourselves 0-2 down with only six minutes left. An own goal and a tap-in by Goodfellow gave us a point we should not have got.

Fixture: Bristol Rovers v Luton Town
Venue: Bristol
Date: 14.3.92.
Competition: South East Counties League
Result: 2-4
Scorer: Hartson (2)
Team: Hancock, Holtam, Draper, Dukes, Simpson, Greene, Murray, Ryan, Butler, Hartson, Sutton. Subs: Brittain, Newman.
Coach's comment: This was a poor defensive team display. The playing conditions, in particular the pitch, were awful and made passing virtually impossible. We fielded five under-16 players in this match and showed them just what the SEC League is all about, leaving Luton at 7.30 am, arriving at Bristol at 10.10 am, being outplayed, and then returning all the way back to Luton despondant. All in a day's work boys!

South East Counties League 1991-92		
Sat 17 Aug	Bristol City	3-0
Sat 24 Aug	Maidstone United	0-7
Sat 31 Aug	Swindon Town	1-2
Sat 7 Sept	Bournemouth	3-1
Tues 10 Sept	Norwich City (SJFC)	3-3
Sat 14 Sept	Aldershot	2-0
Mon 16 Sept	Norwich City (SJFC R)	1-0
Sat 21 Sept	Brighton	4-2
Sat 28 Sept	Oxford United	1-3
Tues 1 Oct	Birmingham City (SJFC)	2-3
Sat 5 Oct	Brentford	1-0
Sat 12 Oct	Crystal Palace	0-1
Sat 19 Oct	Tottenham Hotspur	4-0
Wed 23 Oct	East Thurrock Town (FAYC 1)	5-0
Sat 26 Oct	Bristol City SECLC 2	1-2
Sat 9 Nov	Southampton	1-1
Sat 16 Nov	Bristol Rovers	5-1
Sat 23 Nov	Southampton	1-1
Tues 26 Nov	Aston Villa (FAYC 2)	1-0
Sat 30 Nov	Tottenham Hotspur	4-1
Sat 7 Dec	Wimbledon	0-2
Tues 17 Dec	Norwich (FAYC 3)	1-1
Sat 4 Jan	Maidstone United	2-1
Wed 8 Jan	Norwich (FAYC 3R)	1-4
Sat 11 Jan	Swindon Town	3-0
Sat 18 Jan	Bournemouth	2-1
Sat 1 Feb	Oxford United	1-1
Sat 8 Feb	Brentford	3-2
Sat 29 Feb	Reading	2-2
Sat 14 Mar	Bristol Rovers	2-4
Sat 21 Mar	Aldershot	2-0
Sat 28 Mar	Wimbledon	4-3
Sat 4 Apr	Brighton	
Sat 11 Apr	Reading	
Sat 18 Apr	Crystal Palace	
Sat 25 Apr	Bristol City	

SOUTH EAST COUNTIES DIVISION TWO SEASON 1991-92									
	P	W	D	L	F	A	Goals	Pts	
Crystal Palace	25	19	3	3	76	22	41	41	
Wimbledon	25	17	3	5	79	22	37	37	
Oxford United	25	15	4	6	58	31	34	34	
LUTON TOWN	24	14	4	6	51	37	32	32	
Brentford	26	13	5	8	46	33	31	31	
Brighton & Hove Albion	25	12	5	8	49	34	29	29	
Southampton	23	10	7	6	30	27	27	27	
Bristol City	23	10	4	9	38	36	24	24	
Tottenham Hotspur	26	9	3	14	36	57	21	21	
Swindon Town	27	8	5	14	32	54	21	21	
Bristol Rovers	25	8	2	15	45	84	18	18	
Reading	23	7	3	13	41	58	17	17	
Bournemouth	27	6	3	18	34	51	15	15	
Maidstone United	25	6	3	16	34	58	15	15	
Aldershot	25	3	6	16	30	76	12	12	

YOUTH TEAM - APPEARANCES AND GOALSCORERS									
	S.E.C.L		S.J.F.C.		S.E.C.L.C		F.A. YTH CUP		
	App	Gls	App	Gls	App	Gls	App	Gls	
Brittain	7(1)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Brookes	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-
Butler	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Campbell	1(1)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Draper	3(5)	-	(1)	-	-	-	-	-	-
Elliott	17	-	3	-	1	-	4	2	-
Fleet	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Gibb	1(1)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Goodfellow	8(4)	3	2	1	-	-	2	-	-
Greene	21	3	3	1	1	1	4	1	-
Hancock	22	-	2	-	1	-	4	-	-
Hartson	13(4)	10	1(1)	1	-	-	1(2)	-	-
Holtam	19	3	3	-	1	-	4	2	-
Jukes	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
McDonagh	8(2)	4	3	2	-	-	1(1)	1	-
Murray	15	1	3	1	1	-	4	-	-
Newman	14(5)	5	(1)	-	(1)	-	3(1)	2	-
Philp	21	-	3	-	1	-	4	-	-
Rogers	18(2)	4	3	-	1	-	4	-	-
Ryan	19	4	3	-	1	-	3(1)	-	-
Simpson	4(1)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Skelton	16(3)	1	3	-	1	-	4	-	-
Smith	5(7)	-	-	-	-	-	(1)	-	-
Sutton	13(5)	6	(1)	-	(1)	-	1(2)	-	-
Watkins	1	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-
Woolgar	3(1)	2	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

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Facts and fixtures



BARCLAYS LEAGUE DIVISION ONE

1st April, 1992

Home					Away										
P	W	D	L	F	A	GD	Pts								
35	10	6	1	28	9	—	1.	Manchester United	9	7	2	28	16	+31	70
36	10	8	0	32	13	—	2.	Leeds United	8	7	3	33	18	+34	69
35	11	4	3	35	24	—	3.	Sheffield Wednesday	6	5	6	19	24	+6	60
35	12	4	2	30	14	—	4.	Liverpool	3	9	5	12	17	+11	58
34	9	7	2	38	20	—	5.	Arsenal	5	6	6	24	21	+21	55
35	10	4	4	24	14	—	6.	Manchester City	5	5	7	21	28	+3	54
36	6	6	6	21	24	—	7.	Crystal Palace	6	7	5	26	31	-8	49
33	9	5	3	32	23	—	8.	Nottingham Forest	4	4	8	20	22	+7	48
36	10	3	5	24	14	—	9.	Aston Villa	3	6	9	12	22	-	48
36	4	10	4	21	18	—	10.	Q.P.R.	6	7	5	20	21	+2	47
35	7	8	2	25	13	—	11.	Everton	4	5	9	20	27	+5	46
36	5	7	6	26	27	—	12.	Chelsea	6	6	6	17	22	-6	46
35	7	5	5	22	19	—	13.	Sheffield United	5	3	10	31	36	-2	44
36	9	5	4	38	30	—	14.	Oldham Athletic	3	3	12	17	28	-3	44
36	8	5	4	27	23	—	15.	Norwich City	3	6	9	18	28	-6	44
35	8	5	5	26	19	—	16.	Wimbledon	2	8	7	14	25	-4	43
35	5	6	6	17	13	—	17.	Coventry City	5	4	9	17	24	-3	40
33	5	2	10	22	25	—	18.	Tottenham Hotspur	6	4	6	20	21	-4	39
33	5	5	7	14	25	—	19.	Southampton	4	5	7	18	21	-14	37
35	7	6	4	18	14	—	20.	LUTON TOWN	0	5	13	10	45	-31	32
36	5	5	7	20	23	—	21.	Notts County	2	5	12	15	31	-19	31
33	3	6	7	14	21	—	22.	West Ham United	3	5	9	14	27	-20	29

APPEARANCES AND GOALSCORERS 1991-92

	League		Rmbliws Cup		ZD Cup		FA Cup	
	Apps	Goals	Apps	Goals	Apps	Goals	Apps	Goals
Tim Allpress	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
David Beaumont	6(3)	—	2	—	1	—	—	—
Kingsley Black	4	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Jamie Campbell	4(7)	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Alec Chamberlain	17	—	2	—	—	—	—	—
Mervyn Day	4	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
John Dreyer	35	2	2	—	—	—	1	—
Sean Farrell	3(1)	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Lee Glover	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Philip Gray	9(2)	3	2	3	—	—	—	—
Mick Harford	22	9	1	—	1	—	—	—
Richard Harvey	26(1)	2	1	—	—	—	1	—
Paul Holsgrove	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Ceri Hughes	6(9)	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Matthew Jackson	7(2)	—	2	—	—	—	—	—
Julian James	21(3)	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Chris Kamara	21	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Desmond Linton	2(1)	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Darron McDonough	9	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Kurt Nogan	6(9)	1	—	—	—	—	—	—
Scott Oakes	11(6)	2	—	—	—	—	—	—
Trevor Peake	31	—	1	—	—	—	—	—
Mark Pembidge	35	3	2	—	—	—	—	—
David Preece	27(4)	2	2	—	—	—	—	—
Jason Rees	3(1)	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Graham Rodger	11(1)	—	1	—	—	—	—	—
Darren Salton	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Brian Stein	27(5)	2	—	—	—	—	—	—
Steve Sutton	14	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Paul Telfer	17(3)	1	2	—	—	—	—	—
Steve Thompson	5	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Martin Williams	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—

Luton Town F-A Att Pos

Aug 17	West Ham United	0-0	25,079	—
Aug 21	Coventry City	0-5	10,084	—
Aug 24	Liverpool	0-0	11,132	19
Aug 27	Arsenal	0-2	25,898	22
Aug 31	Chelsea	1-4	17,457	22
Sept 4	Southampton	2-1	8,055	19
Sept 7	Wimbledon	0-3	3,231	20
Sept 14	Oldham Athletic	2-1	9,005	17
Sept 17	Queens Park Rangers	0-1	9,085	20
Sept 21	Manchester United	0-5	46,491	21
Sept 25	Birmingham City (RLC2-1)	2-2	6,315	21
Sept 28	Notts County	1-1	7,629	21
Oct 5	Aston Villa	0-4	18,722	21
Oct 8	Birmingham City (RLC2-2)	2-3	13,252	21
Oct 19	Sheffield Wednesday	2-2	9,401	21
Oct 22	Ipswich Town (Z.D.S. Cup)	1-1*	7,750	—
Oct 26	Norwich City	0-1	10,514	21
Nov 2	Everton	0-1	8,022	21
Nov 16	Tottenham Hotspur	1-4	27,543	22
Nov 23	Manchester City	2-2	10,031	22
Nov 30	Sheffield United	1-1	21,804	22
Dec 7	Leeds United	0-2	11,550	22
Dec 20	Coventry City	1-0	7,533	22
Dec 26	Arsenal	1-0	12,665	22
Dec 28	Chelsea	2-0	10,738	20
Jan 1	Nottingham Forest	1-1	23,809	19
Jan 4	Sheffield United (FAC 3)	0-4	12,201	—
Jan 11	Liverpool	1-2*	35,095	20
Jan 18	West Ham United	0-1	11,088	22
Feb 1	Sheffield Wednesday	2-3	22,291	22
Feb 8	Norwich City	2-0	8,554	21
Feb 15	Manchester City	0-4	22,137	21
Feb 22	Sheffield United	2-0	9,003	20
Feb 25	Crystal Palace	1-1	12,109	20
Feb 29	Leeds United	0-2	28,231	20
Mar 7	Crystal Palace	1-1	8,591	19
Mar 11	Tottenham Hotspur	0-0	11,494	19
Mar 14	Everton	1-1	16,707	19
Mar 21	Southampton	1-2	15,313	20
Apr 4	Wimbledon	—	—	—
Apr 11	Oldham Athletic	—	—	—
Apr 12	RLC FINAL	—	—	—
Apr 18	Manchester United	—	—	—
Apr 20	Queens Park Rangers	—	—	—
Apr 22	Nottingham Forest†	—	—	—
Apr 25	Aston Villa	—	—	—
May 2	Notts County	—	—	—
May 9	FA CUP FINAL	—	—	—

*1-2 on penalties

own goal

†to be confirmed

Luton Town Soccerline

Dial 0839 664466 for all the latest happenings on and off the field at Kenilworth Road.

Calls are charged at 48p per min peak, and 36p per min off peak.

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Chamberlain	Beaumont	Harvey	McDonough	Rodger	Dreyer	(Farrell)	Preece	Stein	Pembidge	Black	[Gray]	James	
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Chamberlain	(Beaumont)	Dreyer	(McDonough)	Rodger	Peake	Gray	Preece	Stein	Pembidge	Black	[Jackson]	[Farrell]	
Chamberlain	(Beaumont)	Dreyer	McDonough	Rodger	Peake	GRAY ¹	Preece	Stein	Pembidge	(Farrell)	[Jackson]	[Nogan]	
Chamberlain	(Jackson)	HARVEY ¹	McDonough	Dreyer	Peake	GRAY ¹	Preece	(Glover)	Pembidge	Stein	[Beaumont]	[Nogan]	
Chamberlain	Jackson	(Harvey)	McDonough	Dreyer	Peake	Gray	Preece	Nogan	Pembidge	(Holsgrove)	[Telfer]	[Rodger]	
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Chamberlain	Jackson	Dreyer	(Telfer)	Rodger	Beaumont	Preece	(GRAY) ¹	(Harford)	Pembidge	Thompson	[Hughes]	[Nogan]	
Chamberlain	Jackson	Dreyer	Thompson	(Rodger)	Peake	Telfer	Gray	Nogan	Pembidge	(Hughes)	[Stein]	[Beaumont]	
Chamberlain	Jackson	Harvey	(Thompson)	Beaumont	Peake	Telfer	(GRAY) ²	(Harford)	Pembidge	Preece	[Nogan]	[Stein]	
Chamberlain	James	(Harvey)	NOGAN ¹	Dreyer	Peake	Telfer	Gray	HARFORD ¹	Pembidge	(Preece)	[Hughes]	[Stein]	
Chamberlain	TELFER ¹	Allpress	Hughes	Salton	Rodger	(Williams)	Gray	(Harford)	Nogan	Pembidge	[Rees]	[Campbell]	
Chamberlain	Telfer	Dreyer	Hughes	Peake	(Rodger)	(Rees)	James	Nogan	Pembidge	Oakes	[Linton]	[Harvey]	
Chamberlain	(James)	PembOidge	Kamara	Dreyer	Peake	Telfer	Hughes	Harford	(Gray)	Oakes	[Stein]	[Nogan]	
Chamberlain	(Linton)	Harvey	Kamara	Dreyer	Peake	Telfer	Stein	HARFORD ¹	Pembidge	Oakes	[Nogan]	James	
Chamberlain	(Linton)	Harvey	Kamara	DREYER ¹	Peake	Telfer	Stein	HARFORD ¹	Pembidge	Oakes	Salton	[Preece]	
Sutton	James	Harvey	Kamara	Dreyer	Peake	TELFER ¹	Stein	(Harford)	Pembidge	Campbell	[Preece]	Salton	
Sutton	(James)	Harvey	Kamara	Dreyer	Peake	Telfer	(Stein)	Harford	Pembidge	Oakes	[Campbell]	[Preece]	
Sutton	James	Harvey	Kamara	Dreyer	Peake	Telfer	Stein	HARFORD ¹	Pembidge	(Oakes)	[Preece]	Nogan	
Sutton	James	Harvey	Kamara	Dreyer	Peake	Telfer	(Stein)	HARFORD ¹	Pembidge	Preece	[Oakes]	Campbell	
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Sutton	James	Harvey	(Kamara)	Dreyer	Peake	Oakes	Hughes	HARFORD ¹	Pembidge	PREECE ¹	[Stein]	Nogan	
Sutton	(James)	Harvey	Kamara	Dreyer	Peake	(Telfer)	Stein	Harford	Pembidge	Preece	[Hughes]	[Oakes]	
Sutton	James	Harvey	Kamara	Dreyer	Peake	Oakes	(STEIN) ¹	HARFORD ¹	Pembidge	(Preece)	[Hughes]	[Campbell]	
Sutton	James	Harvey	Kamara	Dreyer	Peake	(Oakes)	(Stein)	Harford	PEMBRIDGE ^{1pen}	Preece	[Hughes]	[Campbell]	
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Sutton	James	Harvey	Kamara	Dreyer	Peake	(Rees)	(STEIN) ¹	Harford	Pembidge	Preece	[Hughes]	[Campbell]	
Sutton	(James)	Harvey	Kamara	Dreyer	Peake	Rees	(Stein)	Harford	PEMBRIDGE ¹	Preece	[Hughes]	[Williams]	

THE MAN IN CHARGE

Brian Hill (Kettering)

A wages/cost accountant, Brian is married with two children. He commenced refereeing in 1965 and progressed via the U.C.L. and Southern Leagues to the full league referee list in 1977. In 1985 he was appointed to the F.I.F.A. panel of referees and was in charge of the 1988 FA Cup Final between today's opponents Wimbledon and Liverpool.

BARCLAYS LEAGUE DIVISION ONE LEADING GOALSCORERS:

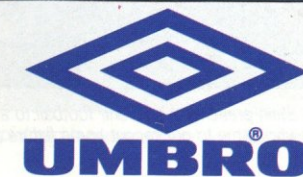
Wright (Arsenal) 22, Lineker (Tottenham) 19, Hirst (Sheffield Wednesday), White (Manchester City), McClair (Manchester United) 15, Chapman (Leeds United), Bright (Crystal Palace) 14.

Today's other top action:

Barclays League Div One:

Chelsea v West Ham United
Coventry City v Arsenal
Crystal Palace v Everton
Manchester City v Leeds United
Nottingham Forest v Sheffield Wed
Sheffield United v Oldham Athletic
Southampton v Queens Park Rangers
Tottenham Hotspur v Aston Villa

Home or away, we always play with style.
Umbro kit makes Luton Town look good in any game.



Business scene

By Andy King and Wendy Grzybowska



WELCOME TO TODAY'S MATCH SPONSORS

This afternoon we extend a warm welcome to our sponsors Electrolux, who have taken our executive match day box today, G. Owen Ceramic Tiling, our match ball sponsors, and F. and T., Goodwin Ltd., who will be entertaining guests and clients in our Joe Payne Lounge.

Electrolux, based in Luton, has been in business in the UK for more than 70 years, manufacturing a comprehensive range of products which help millions of people in their homes every day. One of the largest companies in the world, the Electrolux Group manufactures a range of products from industrial cleaning equipment to car safety belts.

Electrolux, however, is most famous for its household products, including refrigerators, freezers, dishwashers and washing machines, cookers, microwave ovens and, of course, vacuum cleaners. All Electrolux products combine innovative design with the latest technology, offering the best to the consumer. As one of Luton's major employers, Electrolux is delighted to be associated with Luton Town FC.

G. Owen Ceramic Tiling was established in Luton in 1983 and moved its headquarters to Northampton in 1988. The company has expanded rapidly and now operates in more than 50 housing estates and, in addition, undertakes other commercial contracts. The company currently covers Bedfordshire, Buckinghamshire, Hertfordshire, Northamptonshire, Oxfordshire and London.



Brian Stein presents a souvenir football to a young competition-winning member of the French party who came to our recent home fixture against Crystal Palace.

Great packages on offer for end of season finale

Another exciting end to the season is in prospect as we prepare for our final home games against Wimbledon, this afternoon, Manchester United, Aston Villa and Nottingham Forest.

It is certainly an attractive fixture list and, with that in mind, I would like to remind everyone that after today there are only three more opportunities to take advantage of the first-class hospitality facilities available here this season - and only a few packages remain.

One that does is an Executive Box package for the Forest fixture. This attractive package includes a box, suitable for eight people, from 12 noon to six pm together with all the trimmings that go with a top match day sponsorship offer. These include reserved car parking for the day, a complimentary bar for the day, complimentary match day magazines, advertising within the magazines and on the stadium public address and closed circuit video systems, a silver service three-course meal with wine, half-time refreshments and personal attendants.

The all-in cost for this outstanding package is only £900, including all the personal attention and arguably the best spectator viewing in the Barclays League, and this special offer is available for both the Forest and the Aston Villa fixtures.

A rather different special offer is available for the Manchester United game - this is a special 'broken up' sponsorship package in the Joe Payne Lounge. This means it can be offered to individuals, parties or companies.

This offer includes reserved 'directors' parking, a wine reception, an official welcome from the managing director of Luton Town FC., a tour of the facilities - including the boot, medical and dressing rooms, individual souvenir photographs (taken on the pitch), a silver service three-course lunch with wine, a speech from a well-known guest speaker, match tickets in the New Stand, half-time refreshments and competitions.

The competition winners are presented with prizes - such as autographed footballs - by the players during an informal post-match reception involving both teams. And this offer also includes advertising on the in-house video channel, on the public address system and in the match day magazine. Half of the available accommodation for this sponsorship package has already been sold, but anyone interested in taking up the chance to support the club and enjoy a great value afternoon at an exciting match can still book their seats by calling the Commercial Office on (0582) 411622.

KIT SPONSORSHIP 1992-93

I am pleased to say that we have had a very good response to our kit sponsorship plans as announced in an earlier match day programme and we have now formulated a plan for shirt sponsorship for the 1992-1993 season.

The package has been created to make it affordable for both personal and business involvement, and attractive too, as it will involve kit sponsors in opportunities for advertising coupled with a personal association with individual players.

The 1992-93 package will start from the beginning of the season and it will cost £300 plus VAT. It will include:

- Advertising promotion via a full-colour full-page advertisement in the match day magazine. This advertisement will consist of individual advertising boxes for each member of the first team squad, giving full details of their shirt sponsors, and one large promotional feature photograph which will change with each issue of the magazine.
- A sponsors' special day out. All the sponsors involved in the shirt sponsorship scheme for 1992-93 will be invited to Kenilworth Road as guests of Luton Town for a memorable night out built around one of next season's most attractive fixtures.
- An end-of-season presentation dinner. This will be another memorable occasion when all the sponsors will be invited to the club for an evening of food and entertainment at the Kenilworth Suite where each sponsor will be presented with the shirt of the player he or she has sponsored during the 1992-93 campaign.

For further details and an early opportunity to make sure you are able to sponsor your favourite player, please contact Andy King either in writing to our Commercial Department or by ringing him on Luton (0582) 411622.



Mick Harford is pictured together with Mr Kelly and a member of our party of visiting French footballers pictured in our sponsors' Joe Payne lounge.

LUTON TOWN HOTLINE

Match Tickets, Match inquiries, Membership:

Cherry Newbery, Ticket Office Manager (0582) 411622/30748

Credit Card Hotline - 0582 30748 72 hours prior to match

Ticket Office Hours - 10.00 am - 4.00 pm weekdays and 10.00 am - 1.00 pm on non match Saturdays

Advertising and Match Sponsorship

Wendy Grzybowska, Commercial Manager Tel (0582) 411622

Umbro Sportswear/Souvenirs & Junior Hatters

Bev Tyler, Retail Manager Tel (0582) 411622

Conference & Banqueting Facilities

Peter Saul, Catering Manager Tel (0582) 411622

Promotions and Lotteries

John Gornall, Development Executive Tel (0582) 411622

News and Information Soccerline

Tel 0839 664466 (48p per min peak/36p off-peak)

Club Office Hours

are 8.45 am to 5.00 pm on Mon to Fri and 8.45 am to 12 noon on non-match Saturdays.

Team check

VOUCHER NUMBER 19



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Official kit sponsors



Official ball sponsors

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Team Manager:
David Pleat

White/blue shirts, blue shorts.

Mervyn Day
Julian James
Richard Harvey
Chris Kamara
John Dreyer
Trevor Peake
1 impo vardi Jason Preece
Brian Stein
Mick Harford
Mark Pembridge
1 David Preece

WIMBLEDON 1

Team Manager:
Joe Kinnear

White/black shirts, black shorts.

1 Hans Segers
2 Aidan Newhouse
3 Terry Phelan
4 Warren Barton
5 John Scales
6 Scott Fitzgerald
7 Paul Miller
8 Robbie Earle
9 John Fashanu
10 Laurie Sanchez
11 Andy Clarke
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The Men in Charge

Referee - B. Hill (Kettering)

Linesmen: D. Orr (Red trim)

P.E. Townsend (Yellow trim)

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