

**THE  
ANGLO-ITALIAN  
CUP**  
Preliminary Round

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**WATFORD  
v.  
LUTON TOWN**

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**TUESDAY  
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**MANAGER'S**



**NOTES**

'THIS  
IS MY  
FIRST  
LOCAL  
DERBY'



**I** HAVE played in a lot of local derbies, as you can imagine, but as manager of Watford, this is my first experience of the traditional rivalry between ourselves and Luton Town.

Being realistic, tonight's game does not see the resumption of the twice-yearly League encounters, but nevertheless does give us a chance to test ourselves against one of the sides who came down from what was Division One last season.

Arguably for different reasons to ourselves, but Luton appear to be going through a rebuilding phase that we have also had to pursue in recent seasons - a phase which still continues.

It was for that reason that I was not at our game last Saturday, as you will probably have read in Sunday's papers. With Joe McLaughlin going and Andy Kennedy possibly on the move, there is leeway to

strengthen the squad - and I went to take the last look I could at a potential new purchase. That doesn't mean I'll definitely go into the market, but the timing was such that this player had to be watched on a Saturday - as opposed to a midweek match.

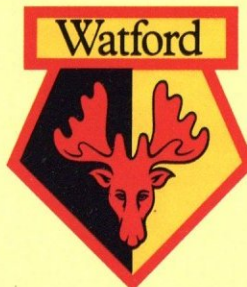
As I'm sure David Pleat would agree, the competition for players to strengthen your squad is extremely keen, so you have to be prepared to move quickly. Luton themselves have seen some experienced players move on, and have sold a couple, so they are in the recruiting market - if not from outside, then by bringing youngsters through, much as we do.

Turning to tonight, it's clear that we must win - and score goals. Quite what happens if we win 1-0 tonight and then Luton beat Bristol City 1-0 I don't know. Has anyone got a three-sided coin?

The incentive from tonight is very alluring - the chance to play against very good quality Italian sides. Anyone who's been watching Italian football on TV this season will have seen the kind of skills on show. There's no reason to think Italian Second Division football is far behind those levels and the later stages of tonight's competition will throw up some very attractive ties - and venues.

Let's hope, and work towards, playing our part in those stages.

Best wishes



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# TONIGHT'S



# COMPETITION

**AN OLD IDEA BUT A NEW FORMAT AS THE ANGLO-ITALIAN CUP RETURNS— WITH ALL 24 FIRST DIVISION SIDES STILL IN WITH A CHANCE OF CATCHING A 'PLANE TO ITALY FOR PHASE TWO**

All 24 Barclays League First Division sides are still in contention for the eight qualifying places after the first round of matches in the newly-formed Anglo-Italian Cup.

Only one club from each of the eight groups progresses to the international stage of the competition, where all qualifiers will face four different sides from the Italian League - two matches at home and two in Italy.

Although the usual formula of three points for a win applies in the Preliminary Round, if clubs finish level on points, the qualifying criteria is goals scored rather than goal difference. That's in line with the format that applies in the Barclays League this season.

So the accent is on getting forward and getting goals. But the real attraction of tonight's competition is the chance to take on Italian opposition and make at least two trips to Italy.

The Italian club have already held their qualifying stage and the eight sides awaiting the eight English qualifiers are all shown on the map opposite.

They are: **Bari, Cremonese, Ascoli, Pisa, Cesena, Reggiana, Cosenza and Lucchese.**

Once the eight English qualifiers are known, they will be split in half, with four English sides playing four Italian sides in two Leagues. The top English side in one table will play the top English side in the



other table, with the top Italian sides also playing each other - both matches being two-legged. This will ensure an Anglo-Italian Final, which is to be a once-off game at a neutral venue in England on Sunday March 28 1993.

The progress of the Anglo-Italian Cup will be monitored closely both here and in Italy. Here because it will give us all a chance to see how our sides fare against Italian sides, and in Italy because the Italian League is considering introducing three-points-for-a-win—this competition will allow the idea to be studied in action.

Of the eight Italian sides awaiting British opposition, **Ascoli, Pisa and Cesena** have all played Italian First Division football in the last two years, while **Bari's** San Nicola Stadium hosted the England v. Italy World Cup third-place play-off in 1990.

**Bari** was David Platt's former club before he signed for **Juventus**, while **Arsenal's** Anders Limpar made his name in Italy with **Cremonese**.

# TONIGHT'S



# COMPETITION

## RESULTS SO FAR

**TUESDAY SEPTEMBER 1:**

**Bristol City 1** Watford 0  
*Shelton 80* *Att: 3,588*  
**Cambridge Utd 1** Sunderland 1  
*Philpott 77* *Armstrong 38*  
*Att: 2,199*  
**Oxford United 1** Swindon Town 3  
*Magilton 51* *Maskell 42*  
*Att: 4,069* *Summerbee 44, Berkley 56*  
**Peterborough 0** Tranmere Rovers 0  
*Att: 1,954*

**WEDNESDAY SEPTEMBER 2:**

**Derby County 4** Notts County 2  
*Williams 39* *Short 19, O'Riordan 45*  
*Pembridge 42*  
*Simpson 59*  
*Gabbiadini 85* *Att: 6,767*  
**Leicester City 4** Grimsby Town 0  
*Davidson 24, 39*  
*Gee 36, 81* *Att: 4,112*  
**Millwall 1** Charlton Ath. 2  
*Cunningham 38* *Barnes 84*  
*Att: 3,975* *Pardew 89*  
**West Ham Utd 2** Bristol Rovers 2  
*Dicks 2, 61* *Stewart 49, 87*  
*Att: 4,809*

## ALSO PLAYING TONIGHT

Charlton Ath. ...v. Portsmouth.....  
 Notts County....v. Barnsley.....  
 Sunderland.....v. Birmingham C..  
 Tranmere R.....v. Wolves.....

## MATCHES TO COME

**Tomorrow night:**

Bristol Rovers v. Southend United, Grimsby Town v. Newcastle United, Swindon Town v. Brentford.

**Tuesday September 29:**

Barnsley v. Derby County, Birmingham City v. Cambridge United, Brentford v. Oxford United, Luton Town v. Bristol City, Portsmouth v. Millwall.

**Wednesday September 30:**

Newcastle United v. Leicester City, Southend United v. West Ham United, Wolves v. Peterborough United

## GROUP BY GROUP—THE CURRENT STANDINGS

Group One	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pt	Group Five	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pt
Derby County	1	1	0	0	4	2	3	Bristol City	1	1	0	0	1	0	3
Notts County	1	0	0	1	2	4	0	Watford	1	0	0	1	0	1	0
Barnsley	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	Luton Town	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Group Two	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pt	Group Six	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pt
Leicester City	1	1	0	0	4	0	3	Charlton Ath.	1	1	0	0	2	1	3
Grimsby Town	1	0	0	1	0	4	0	Millwall	1	0	0	1	1	2	0
Newcastle Utd.	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	Portsmouth	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Group Three	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pt	Group Seven	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pt
Cambridge Utd.	1	0	1	0	1	1	1	Swindon Town	1	1	0	0	3	1	3
Sunderland	1	0	1	0	1	1	1	Oxford Utd.	1	0	0	1	1	3	0
Birmingham C.	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	Brentford	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Group Four	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pt	Group Eight	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pt
Peterborough	1	0	1	0	0	0	1	Bristol Rovers	1	0	1	0	2	2	1
Tranmere R.	1	0	1	0	0	0	1	West Ham Utd.	1	0	1	0	2	2	1
Wolves	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	Southend Utd.	-	-	-	-	-	-	-



**OLIVER PHILLIPS TRACKS BACK THROUGH PREVIOUS CUP CLASHES BETWEEN THE HORNETS AND HATTERS**

I WAS a little surprised when statistician Trefor Jones unearthed the names of **Billy Flint, William Wheeler and Fred Palmer.**

I had never heard of them before but those old, long-dead Watford players shared a distinction in the history of Watford-Luton cup clashes. They share it even now, along with the better-known names of **Charlie White, Tommy Barnett, George James, Arthur Wooliscroft, John Barnes, Nigel Callaghan, George Reilly and Mo Johnston.**

The fact is, that in 17 cup ties between the rivals, Watford have only won four of them and those 11 players scored in those rare Watford victories.

The Hatters have afforded us some considerable cup discomfort down the years. We drew our first FA Cup meeting at Luton back in 1898, lost the replay and then the Bedfordshire men dispatched us from the competition three more times by 1903.

In 1909, we gained our first revenge although, truth to tell, this was not an FA Cup tie but rather the Southern Charity Cup, the Southern League Cup competition. Still, they all count, particularly after four cup exits!

So Palmer and White gave Watford their first cup success over Luton in this competition back in 1909 and then the two Billy's, Flint and Wheeler ousted the Hatters from the competition again a year later.

Luton's revenge was swift and repeated, showing us the FA Cup door in 1911, 1913 and 1914.

Our first-ever FA Cup success over the Hatters was achieved in 1930 at Vicarage Road with **Barnett, James and Wooliscroft** giving us a 3-1 success.

From then on our cup and League paths parted to such a degree that a friendly competition was arranged between the two teams and played sporadically for the Rigby Taylor Cup, but this did not really count as a serious cup competition.

So our proper Cup meetings were adjourned for 38 years until 1968 when the Hornets went down 3-0 at Kenilworth Road in the League Cup.

At the end of the season we gained the consolation of pipping the Hatters to promotion to Division 2.

And so to the most memorable Cup tie saga of recent times came in 1984. The first tie saw the Hornets attacking down the slope at Kenilworth Road and playing well but, after 26 minutes they were two goals down. **David Bardsley** deflected a Nwajoiba shot into his own net and then Brian Stein's shot looped off **Steve Sims** and into the net.

Watford hit back with Barnes' free kick taking a deflecting off Horton and a rash tackle by Stephens on Barnes gave **Mo Johnston**, who Mr Graham Taylor insisted upon referring to as Maurice, the chance to equalise from the spot.

A total of 20,586 for the replay at Vicarage Road witnessed a real thriller. "At times Luton played the best football they have ever produced against us," said the manager.

**Callaghan** with a sweet shot over **Seeley** gave the Hornets a 4th-minute lead; **Reilly** flicked a Callaghan corner over the keeper after 28 minutes and Luton bounced back with a fine strike from **Mal Donaghy** just before the interval.

In the 50th minute, **Barnes** sent a blistering shot into the Luton net to make it 3-1. But again Luton came back with **Paul Walsh** reducing the arrears from close in after Stein had intercepted a **Paul Franklin** back-pass and Walsh soon struck again to equalise with a fine solo goal to crown Luton's purple patch.

At 3-3 and extra time underway, fitness told with Watford taking control. In the 108th minute, Callaghan's corner was flicked on at the near post by Barnes and **Johnston** was there to score the winner.

Watford went on to the FA Cup Final that year, but the matches against Luton and later against Birmingham were the classics of the season.

The following year, Luton reversed the defeat in a three-match saga which saw Watford draw the opening tie at Kenilworth Road and again lose a two-goal lead in the replay. **Les Taylor** and **Steve Terry** put them ahead but **David Pleat's** side came back to equalise in the last 14 minutes. The second replay was a tense affair and Luton won it with **Turner's** goal.

Whatever the result tonight, I think fans on both sides would settle for the style and thrills of that 4-3 classic from 1984.



January 10 1984—Maurice Johnston heads the extra-time goal that won this third round FA Cup replay against the Hatters at Vicarage Road. 4—3 was the score and it set up a fourth round tie at Charlton, en route for Wembley. (Pic: Watford Observer)



March 9 1985—Surrounded by Hatters, but Jan Lohman gets in his shot. But Luton won this FA Cup fifth round second replay 1—0 at Kenilworth Road. (Pic: Watford Review)



TALKING



TO...

## LEE NOGAN

**F**OOTBALL is a profession not noted for brotherly love, and it'll be interesting to see how much is in evidence if Watford's Lee Nogan and his younger brother Kurt line up on opposite sides tonight.

"It may not happen, as Kurt hasn't played in Luton's first team this season. But he has been in the senior squad for recent matches," says 23-year-old Lee. "At present he's on a week-to-week contract.

"I'm 16 months older than Kurt and we're both strikers. But we've only played against each other once. That was in a reserve game a few seasons ago, when I was at Oxford. We won 2-1 as I recall and I scored.

"There's a friendly rivalry between us and we're similar types of player, although Kurt is a bit taller than me.

"Our biggest moment together was playing for the Wales' under-21 side two seasons ago against England at Tranmere Rovers, a game that ended goalless. That was my only under-21 cap, but Kurt won a few more and has played in the 'B' side."

So what brought two young lads from Cardiff to Oxford United and Luton respectively as youth trainees?

"Our local sides, Swansea, Newport and Cardiff, didn't really have strong youth teams when we were coming through, so scouts from English-based clubs spotted us. We were asked for trials at Luton—Kurt was taken on as a 14-year-old schoolboy but I wasn't. However, when I was 16, Oxford United offered me a traineeship and of course I jumped at the chance.

"There was a lot of talent in south

Wales then - I'm sure there still is. From my time there, players like Mark Pembroke (now with Derby County) and Jason Rees, who could play tonight, came to Luton—and Andrew Melville played for Cardiff before joining Oxford."

Lee's M40 move from Oxford to Watford came last season—in time to play his part in the Hornets climb up the table in the second half of the campaign.

"The previous season, I had been in the Oxford side that also leapt up the table after Christmas," Lee recalls. "Watford fans won't need reminding that the first game we lost in a long unbeaten run was at home to the Hornets in May—a win that ensured Watford stayed in Division Two, as it was then.

"Now at Watford, we've had a fairly solid start and if we can be there or thereabouts at Christmas, we'll have a good base with which to push into the new year. I'm happy to be playing my part in the team at present, but I would like to get on the scoresheet more often.

"Right now however, we need to win tonight's game to stand any chance of playing against Italian clubs. That's a real incentive, but all we can do tonight is win and hope the right result happens for us when Luton play Bristol City. I felt we deserved a draw out of our game against 'City, but a goal ten minutes from time means we've still got it all to do."

**TONIGHT**



**WE FACE . . .**

## LUTON TOWN

**L**UTON, who have made a bitterly disappointing start in the First division, come to Vicarage Road seeking some Cup relief this evening.

Relegated from the old First Division in May, the Hatters could be facing a major rebuilding programme. Like many other clubs, the Hatters have been forced to sell players in order to survive. So, though many supporters were disappointed at the recent departure of Mark Pembridge to Derby and Mick Harford to Chelsea, the £1.5-million banked from those sales was needed to balance the budget.

A small amount was re-invested in the signing of striker Steve Claridge from Cambridge. The tribunal set a fee of £160,000 which could turn out to be a bargain if Claridge continued to score at the

rate of about a dozen goals per season as he did for Cambridge.

Claridge has been lining up with Phil Gray and Jason Rees in attack but Jamie Campbell is another contender here. Scott Oakes, Darren Salton and David Preece have been holding midfield positions but Chris Kamara and Ceri Hughes are also in line for selection.

The defence was unchanged for early games with Trevor Peake partnering John Dreyer in the centre whilst Des Linton and Julian James have filled the full-back spots. Marvin Johnson has been included as substitute. Andy Petterson has taken over in goal.



Back row, from left: Darren Salton, Jamie Campbell, Des Linton, Alec Chamberlain, Marvin Johnson, Juergen Sommer, David Greene, John Dreyer, Chris Kamara.  
Middle row, from left: John Moore (Coach), Julian James, Paul Telfer, Tim Allpress, Kurt Nogan, Richard Harvey, Trevor Peake, Brian Owen (Physiotherapist).  
Front row, from left: Steve Claridge, David Preece, Phil Gray, David Pleat (Manager), Ceri Hughes, Jason Rees, Scott Oakes.

**SQUAD**



**RUNDOWN**

## IN LINE FOR *selection are...*

### GOALKEEPER:

**ANDY PETTERSON.** Given League debut on opening day of season at Leicester. Previously loaned to Swindon and Ipswich but did not play in League.

### DEFENDERS:

**DES LINTON.** Signed from Leicester last season. Played 11 league games over two and a half seasons before following manager David Pleat to Kenilworth Road.

**JULIAN JAMES.** Introduced to first-team five seasons ago. Later played twice for England under-21s. Loaned to Preston last season. Ex-Luton trainee.

**JOHN DREYER.** Started with Oxford. Played League soccer on loan to Torquay and Fulham during season 1985/86. Earned chance with Oxford following season. Joined Luton for £140,000 in 1988.

**TREVOR PEAKE.** Capped by England semi-professional XI when with Nuneaton. League debut for Lincoln in 1979, moving to Coventry four years later. Transferred to Luton for £100,000 last season.

**MARVIN JOHNSON.** Former Luton trainee, given League debut five seasons ago. Won League Cup winners' medal in 1988.

### MIDFIELDERS:

**SCOTT OAKES.** Developed in Leicester's junior team. Blooded in League XI during season 1989/90. Signed for Luton in exchange deal last October.

**CHRIS KAMARA.** Launched career with Portsmouth in 1975. Signed for Swindon two years later, then rejoined Portsmouth in 1981. Next stop, Brentford. Later played for Swindon again, Stoke and Leeds.

**DAVID PREECE.** Played in two League Cup finals for the Hatters. Also capped by England "B". Started with Walsall in 1981, winning regular place two years later. Cost Luton £150,000 in 1984.

**DARREN SALTON.** Joined Hatters as a schoolboy. Senior debut last season. Won fifth Scotland under-21 cap last week.

**MANAGER**



David Pleat returned for his second spell as Luton manager in June 1991. He was previously in charge from 1978 until 1986, when invited to take over at Tottenham.

Mr. Pleat left Spurs in October 1987 and worked abroad until taking over at Leicester in December 1987. He remained at Filbert Street until January 1991.

It was at Luton that Pleat made his name as player and manager. He began his playing days with Nottingham Forest but played only half-a-dozen games before joining Luton in 1964. In 1967 he was transferred to Shrewsbury and later played for Exeter and Peterborough before retiring in 1971.

**JASON REES.** Capped by Wales last season. Previously represented country at "B" and under-21 levels. Former Luton Trainee. Made League debut two seasons ago.

**JAMIE CAMPBELL.** Former trainee, turned professional in July 1991. Took senior bow in Zenith Data Systems Cup-tie at Ipswich last October. Since played more than dozen times, often as substitute.

**CERI HUGHES.** Another ex-trainee. Made League debut against Aston Villa in March 1990. Appeared in nearly 20 League games in each of past two seasons.

### FORWARDS:

**STEVE CLARIDGE:** Close-season signing from Cambridge. Cost £160,000. Hit 12 League goals in each of past two campaigns for Cambridge. Other League clubs: Portsmouth, Bournemouth, Crystal Palace, Aldershot.

**PHIL GRAY.** Signed from Tottenham for £275,000 in summer of 1991. Played one League game six seasons ago, but subsequent appearances were limited. Gained further experience on loan to Barnsley and Fulham.

# HATTERS



# STATISTICS

## On current form...

Until last Sunday's 2-1 win at Brentford Luton had not won away, in any competition, since March 1991 when they beat Aston Villa 2-1. So far this season, they have found it particularly difficult to score goals, though they have faced some very difficult opponents—three of their first four are still unbeaten.

1991/92

Oldham Athletic (a) D1 1-5

Nottingham Forest (h) D1 2-1

Manchester United (h) D1 1-1

Queens Park Rangers (a) D1 1-2

Aston Villa (h) D1 2-0

Notts County (a) D1 1-2

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Leicester City (a) D1 1-2

Bristol City (h) D1 0-3

Charlton Athletic (a) D1 0-0

Newcastle United (a) D1 0-2

Tranmere Rovers (h) D1 3-3

Brentford (a) D1 2-1

## QUIZ How much do you know about previous Cup-ties between the Hornets and the Hatters?

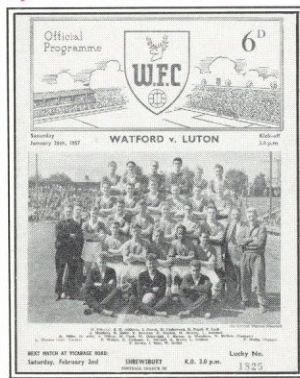
1. Watford's first FA Cup-tie against Luton Town was in 1898/99. True or false?
2. Who scored Watford's goals in the 2-2 third round FA Cup draw at Kenilworth Road in January 1984?
3. Which record-breaking Watford goalscorer signed from Man. Utd. in the late 1920's notched the final goal in a 3-1 second round win for Watford at vicarage Road in 1930/31?
4. In 1968/69 what was the score in a League Cup first round tie at Kenilworth Road?
5. In 1984/85 Watford met Luton three times before deciding an FA Cup fifth round tie, where was the first game held?
6. Who scored Luton's two goals in the first replay?
7. Les Taylor netted Watford's opener in that replay, who scored the Hornets' second?
8. Who was Watford's goalkeeper in the original game and first replay?
9. Which Hatters player scored the only goal for the second replay?
10. What is the highest Cup-tie attendance to date between Watford and Luton Town? Is it (a) 27,650; (b) 20,586 or (c) 17,770?

● Compiled by Paul Levene. ● Answers on page 15.

# RARE

## Treats...

Collectable programmes between today's opponents by PAUL LEVENE



In the 1950's Watford met Luton Town on an annual basis for the Rigby Taylor Cup, named after the then Chairman at Vicarage Road.

For the game in January 1957 Watford produced a full 12-page programme priced at 6d., welcoming the First Division visitors to Vicarage Road in the editorial column.

A report on the previous week's 5-0 demolition of Newport County was followed by a vehement attack on football journalists, some of whom, according to the writer "had very little football experience and are doing their best to ruin the game by their sensational articles".

Less controversially, Pen Pictures of the Hatters and

Watford Manager Neil McBain's column preceded the team line-ups in the centre pages. One advert on this page announced "bee-oot-iful" Sunny Spread Honey at 10<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub>d a jar (less than 5p) while another offered a trip to Brighton or Hove from Watford Junction at 12/3 (just over 60p).

Although Watford were 2-1 up at the break through Tommy Anderson and Peter Walker Luton eventually won 4-3. McCleod equalised and then put the visitors in the lead after Pearce's opener before Turner notched the Hatters' fourth with a penalty. Watford's third was also a spot kick from Johnny Meadows on 89 minutes.

# NEWS



# NEWS

## ONLY A GOOD WIN WILL DO

OUR 1-0 defeat at Bristol City in tonight's competition a fortnight ago means we must win tonight—and then hope Luton beat 'City when the two sides meet in two weeks' time at Kenilworth Road.

With goals scored being the criteria for dividing sides with the same points total, here's a scenario that would see the Hornets qualify for phase two of the Cup: A 2-0 win tonight followed by Luton winning 1-0 on September 29. All three sides would have three points, but Watford would have scored more goals and qualify.

So apart from being enjoyable to watch, Watford goals really do count tonight.

## MORE CUP ACTION NEXT TUESDAY NIGHT

The Vicarage Road Stadium hosts more Cup action next Tuesday evening, when Reading are our visitors for a second round first leg Coca-Cola League Cup tie.

## QUIZ ANSWERS

1. True; 2. John Barnes and Mo Johnston (penalty); 3. Tommy Barnett; 4. Luton Town 3 Watford 0; 5. Kenilworth Road; 6. Nwajigobi and Hill; 7. Steve Terry; 8. Steve Sherwood; 9. Wayne Turner; 10. (b) 20,586 FA Cup third round replay January 1984 at Vicarage Road.

The game kicks off at 7.45pm and like tonight's match, also uses one of the Cup tickets from season ticket holders' book. Ticket no.5 will be used for the Reading match.

Although in round two, Reading have not yet played in the competition—their first round opponents, Maidstone United, were deleted from the competition, as they are no longer in the League.

The second leg of the tie is at Elm Park on Wednesday, October 7, kick-off 7.45pm.

## 'LIVE' ON TV?

We have been advised by the Football League that our match against Portsmouth on Saturday November 14 is being considered for 'live' regional transmission.

That means the date of the match could be changed to the next day, but we won't know for certain until four weeks before the scheduled date.

So keep your eyes on the programme and local press in mid-October for details.

## JOE GOES NORTH

Watford waved goodbye to erstwhile club captain Joe McLaughlin last Friday afternoon, after our programme v. Notts County had gone to press.

Joe has returned to his native Scotland to sign for Falkirk for £70,000. While at Watford, Joe made 53 appearances. With periods

spent at Morton, Chelsea and Charlton Athletic, Joe's total career appearances now stand at a distinguished 525, with 12 goalscoring credits.

## POLICE MESSAGE

Periodically through the season, a special tone will sound prior to kick off and the Police will give out a message to supporters.

This is just to test the system whereby the Police can override the club's PA System should they wish to broadcast an emergency message to those inside the ground.

Should the tone sound at any time during the game—please listen carefully! Thank you for your co-operation.

## MILESTONES

Several Watford players have reached, or are about to reach career milestones:

David Holdsworth made his 150th Watford appearance (League and Cup, including substitute appearances) against West Ham 10 days ago, with Lee Nogan making his 100th career League outing.

Last Saturday, Jason Drysdale made his 100th Watford outing (League and Cup, including subs) and tonight, assuming he plays a part, Gary Porter, as seen on tonight's front cover, will join that elite band who have made 300 or more appearances in a Watford shirt.

KEEP THIS COUPON—IT MAY PROVE VALUABLE



## TICKETS



## & TRAVEL

### FOLLOW THE FORTUNES OF THE HORNETS IN OUR NEXT AWAY MATCH WOLVERHAMPTON

#### WANDERERS v. WATFORD

**Competition:** Barclays League Division One. **At:** Molineux Stadium, Wolverhampton. **Date:** Saturday, September 19, 1992. **Kick-off:** 3.00 pm.

#### TICKET DETAILS/PRICES:

**Seats:** Due to the redevelopment of the Molineux Stadium, there are no seats available for visiting supporters.

**Terrace:** £6.00. Tickets must be purchased in advance, from the Watford Ticket Office. **NO ADMISSION WILL BE AVAILABLE ON THE DAY.**

#### TRAVEL:

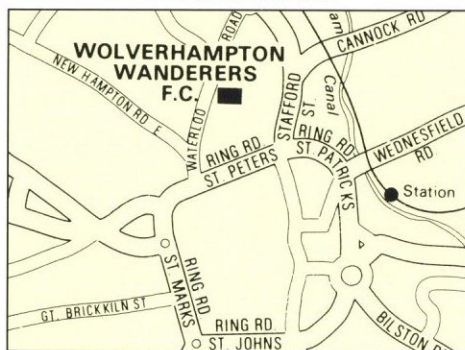
**On Club transport:** Coaches depart from Cardiff Road at 11.00am, returning at approximately 7.45pm.

**Cost:** Adults: £9.50; children/senior citizens: £9.00 bookable now at the Watford Ticket Office.

#### Private transport:

**Mileage:** Watford to Wolverhampton approximately 100 miles.

**Suggested route:** Take the M1 northbound to junction 19 and then join the M6 northbound. Exit the M6 at junction 10 (Walsall/Wolverhampton). Take the A454 to Wolverhampton to the inner ring road and turn right Stafford/Cannock). At the third set of traffic lights turn right into Waterloo Road. Molineux is on the right hand side. Some side street parking and town centre car parks available.



## FACTS &



## FIGURES

### DIVISION ONE DATA

**Highest attendance:** 29,885 Newcastle v. Portsmouth

**Lowest attendance:** 4,546 Grimsby Town v. Oxford United.

**Best supported club:** Newcastle (average 28,585).

**Worst supported club:** Grimsby Town (average 4,659).

**Top scorers:** Craig Maskell (Swindon) 6, Guy Whittingham (Portsmouth) 6, Paul Simpson (Derby) 5, Ian Benjamin (Southend) 5, John Taylor (Bristol Rovers) 5, Phil Gee (Leicester) 4, Andy Mutch (Wolves) 4, Alan Pardew (Charlton) 4.

#### Biggest wins:

Home—Portsmouth 4 Birmingham 0

Away—Cambridge 0 Birmingham 3

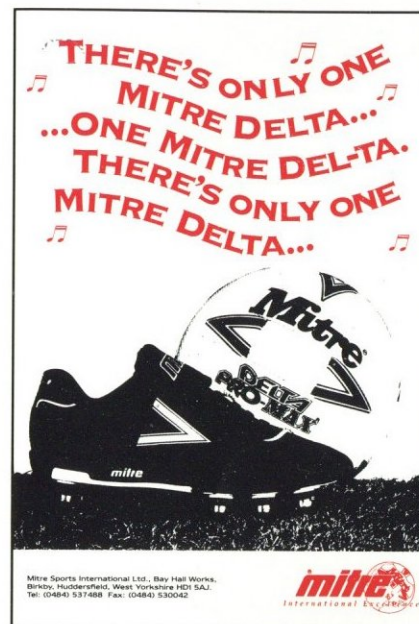
Luton Town 0 Bristol City 3

**Best match scores:** Guy Whittingham (Portsmouth) 3 v. Bristol City; Craig Maskell (Swindon) v. Cambridge; Paul Simpson (Derby) v. Bristol City.

**Longest run without defeat:** Charlton and Wolves 7.

**Longest run without a win:** Derby 6.

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### BARCLAYS LEAGUE DIVISION ONE

	P	W	Home			Away			Pts	Leading League Goalscorers			
			D	L	F	A	D	L			F	A	
1 Newcastle Utd.	6	4	0	0	10	3	2	0	0	4	2	18	Clark 3, Kelly 3
2 Charlton Ath.	7	2	2	0	7	2	3	0	0	4	0	17	Pardew 4, Dyer 2
3 Wolves	7	2	1	0	9	5	2	2	0	3	0	15	Mutch 4, Bull 3
4 Birmingham	6	3	0	0	5	1	1	1	1	3	4	13	Donowa 2, Rennie 2
5 Swindon Town	6	2	1	0	7	3	1	1	1	7	7	11	Maskell 6, Taylor 3
6 Leicester City	7	3	1	0	6	3	0	1	2	2	7	11	Gee 4
7 West Ham Utd.	5	1	0	1	2	2	2	0	1	4	3	9	Allen C 2, Allen M 2
8 Bristol City	5	0	2	1	3	4	2	0	0	7	3	8	Cole 2, Dziekanowski 2
9 Tranmere R.	5	2	1	0	5	2	0	1	1	3	4	8	Aldridge 2, Muir 2
10 Millwall	5	2	1	0	5	2	0	1	1	1	3	8	McGinlay 2
11 Portsmouth	6	2	0	0	5	0	0	1	3	5	11	7	Whittingham 6
12 Notts County	6	0	1	2	3	6	2	0	1	6	3	7	Slawson 2, Smith 2
13 <b>WATFORD</b>	6	1	1	1	4	4	1	0	2	5	6	7	Drysdale 3, Furlong 3
14 Sunderland	5	1	0	1	1	2	1	1	1	1	1	7	Cunningham 1, Rush 1
15 Brentford	6	2	0	2	7	6	0	0	2	1	3	6	Blissett 3, Bennett 2
16 Southend Utd.	6	1	0	1	3	2	1	0	3	4	7	6	Benjamin 5
17 Peterborough	5	1	0	2	3	6	1	0	1	4	4	6	Adcock 2, Charlery 2
18 Grimsby Town	5	1	1	0	4	3	0	1	2	3	6	5	Mendonca 3, Watson 2
19 Luton Town	6	0	1	1	3	6	1	1	2	3	5	5	Campbell 1, Claridge 1
20 Barnsley	6	0	2	2	1	3	1	0	1	3	2	5	Archdeacon 1, Liddell 1
21 Oxford Utd.	5	1	1	1	2	2	0	1	1	2	4	5	Penney 2
22 Bristol Rovers	7	1	0	2	6	7	0	1	3	5	10	4	Taylor 5, Stewart 3
23 Cambridge Utd.	6	1	0	2	1	4	0	1	2	1	6	4	Chapple 1, Francis 1
24 Derby Co.	6	0	0	2	4	6	0	2	2	3	5	2	Simpson 5, Pembridge 1

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**TONIGHT'S****LINE-UPS**
**○ WATFORD**
**LUTON TOWN ○**

PERRY SUCKLING	<b>1</b>	ANDY PETTERSON
NIGEL GIBBS	<b>2</b>	DES LINTON
JASON DRYSDALE	<b>3</b>	JULIAN JAMES
KEITH DUBLIN	<b>4</b>	DARREN SALTON
DAVID HOLDSWORTH	<b>5</b>	TREVOR PEAKE
BARRY ASHBY	<b>6</b>	JOHN DREYER
ANDY HESSENTHALER	<b>7</b>	STEVE CLARIDGE
LEE NOGAN	<b>8</b>	SCOTT OAKES
PAUL FURLONG	<b>9</b>	PHIL GRAY
STEVE BUTLER	<b>10</b>	DAVID PREECE
JASON SOLOMAN	<b>11</b>	JASON REES
	<b>Sub</b>	
	<b>Sub</b>	

Referee: Roger Milford (Bristol)  
 Linesmen: A.P.Murphy (yellow flag - Moundsmere, Hants), J.F.Thompson (red/yellow flag - Southfleet, Kent)  
 Reserve Official: R.Ware

**WATFORD'S OFFICIAL  
SPORTS DRINK**
**COMING**
*Soon*

THIRD Division Reading will attempt to improve a dismal League Cup record when they come to Vicarage Road in the second round, first leg of the Coca-Cola Cup on Tuesday, September 22.

The Royals have survived this second round stage only once in the last 13 years. In 1987 they reached round four—a club record.

But they'll bring several experienced players, including striker Jimmy Quinn (N.Ireland) and player/manager Mark McGhee (Scotland)—and the match will also see a return to Watford for former Hornets' manager Colin Lee, now assistant manager at Elm Park.

**Next matches here:**

Thursday September 17  
 Neville Ovenden Football  
 Combination  
**WATFORD res. v. BRIGHTON res.**  
 Kick-off 7.30pm

Tuesday September 22  
 Coca-Cola League Cup  
 Second round, first leg  
**WATFORD v. READING**  
 Kick-off 7.45pm