## **Local tables**

### Luton & South Beds League

	P	W	D	L	F	APts
Christians	9	7	1	1	33	11 15
Stockwood K A	10	6	2	2	29	15 14
White Swan	9	5	3	1	26	13 13
Lewsey Social	6	6	0	0	23	5 12
AC Cadoza	6	4	2		21	10 10
Harveys	7		2		22	11 10
Singh Sabha	8	5		3		15 10
Lea Sports	9	2		3		13 8
Studham	9	3	1			27 7
Markyate	11	1		6	16	34 6
Luton OB	7	1		6		22 2

#### **Camden Leighton** Sunday

DIVISION ONE

Ashwell Globe	10	7	3	0	54	9	17	
Elm Park	10	7	2	1	35	14		
Axe & Compass	10	6	1	3	40	29		
Golden Bell	7	5	1	1	28	12		
L. Buzz WMC	10	4	1	5	31		9	
Linslade Ship	8	2	4	2		15		
Southcott Village	10	3	-1	6	14	32	7	
Saracens Head	8	1	2	5	9	24	4	
ACD	10	1	2	7	17	40	4	
Oldhill Glider	7	0	1	6	5	39	1	
DIVISION TWO								

Elm Park	8	7	0		29	9
Dunstable Star	10	7	0	3	35	18
Tilsworth Anchor	7	7	0	0	20	8
Stoke Hammond	9	5	3	1	25	11
Edlesborough	11	6	0	5	24	32
Houghton Cheq	8	5	1	2	22	7
FC Linslade	7	2	1	4	20	23
Oldhill Glider	9	2	1	6	22	30
Southcott Village	9	2	1	6	12	33
Black Lion	10	2	0	8	15	28
Swan Northall	10	0	1	9	12	37

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oughton Park	8	8	0	0	24	5	16
t Mary's	7	6	1	0	39	9	13
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lume Dunstable	8	4	1	3	21	17	9
ernons	8	3	2	3	20	15	8
FC Chequers	8	3	2	3	23	19	8
aracens Head	10	3	1	6	14	30	7
FC Houghton	9	3	0	6	19	40	6
olden Bell	6	2	0	4	6	21	4
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DATE... OPPONENTS... RESULT... SCORERS... ATTENDANCE... LEAGUE POSITION

## Big match facts

OCKED: Town's Scott Cakes for time-wasting at a throw-in, Paul McLaren for a foul on Redfeam and Darren Patterson for clobber-ing Redfeam and Sheridan at the same time; Barnsley's Archdeaco and Davis, for fouls on Johnson and Douglas, and Paylon for shooting into the net after being notice of the control of the control of the power of the control of the control of the power of the control of the control of the power of the control of the control of the power of the control of the control of power of the control of the contro

team before resurining the "Westley out" chants.
ENTERTAINMENT: Pretty good in the first half, save for the Town failing to net the goals they need-ed. But it was Bamsley's game after that, and in the later stages, when the Town were chasing the game, the home side should have had two or three more goals while Darren Patterson was upfield on emergency centre-floward duties.

to keep you out of trouble for ever, said crestfallen manager Terry Westley after Luton Town paid another heavy price at Oakwell for failing to cash in when they had chances to score goals.

He referred in particular to two instances in the first half, when the Town's passing soccer was more than a match for Barnsley's.

Home fans were getting restless, apparently forgetting that their three-man defence was facing the weakest attack in the First Division.

Said Westley, after listening to yet more chants from furious fans who want him sacked: "Once again we had the chances to score. We could have come in 2-0 up at half-time, and that's not talking about

"Barnsley made hardly any chances until the last 20 minutes, when we pushed up to try to get an equaliser, and left only one man back.

"You can't keep asking your defence to keep clean sheets every week. I just know that if we had taken either of the first-half

Town might have taken a lead they deserved on their first-half display. Richard Harvey enjoyed a productive early spell as a left winger, and from one of his crosses to beyond the far post Scott

A better chance came in the 18th minute, when Oakes delivered a testing

for it, went down in a neap, and the rown pleaded for a penalty. The ball ran loose, and Dwight Marshall, with time and for goal wasted it, shorting and Dwight Warshan, with time and space to go for goal, wasted it, shooting against the outside of a post. Westley said: "Our players stopped, because they thought it would be a penal-

Barnsley boss Danny Wilson's view was different. "We thought the Luton striker pulled our defender back, and it should have been a free kick to us," he

minutes of stoppage time played by Lancashire ref Tony Leake, whose fussi-ness led to six yellow cards, half of them very debatable

Harvey's probing pass sent Riseth on a run for goal, but he took too long and while he dithered Nicky Eaden got in a blocking tackle as the shot was fired off. Although Westley was right in moaning

about the chances that got away, Barry about the chances that got away, banney were also over-generous in the first half, with the nippy Martin Bullock wasting two, and Neil Redfearn having a searing rising drive finger-tipped over the bar by

With Steve Davis sidelined by the knee injury he received at Watford, the Town brought in Darren Patterson for his first league start, using him on the right of defence, with Julian James pushed into

For an hour, despite a wayward contri-bution by Ceri Hughes, Barnsley were

ond half, and the Town were pushed ever deeper, particularly when the lanky Andy Rammell was sent on as sub. He more than REPORT BY BRIAN SWAIN

# Too much reliance on defence

LUTON TOWN 0 (Half-time 0-0)

He proved it by opening up the Town defence as 67th minute, seconds after Hughes had also with the second attent the second his best scoring attempt of the game. It was a second with some difficulty, and send was second with some difficulty, and send was second with the second was second was second with the second was second was second with the second was second was second was second with the second was second was second was second was second was second was second with the second was second was second was second with the second was second was second with the second was second was second with the second was second was second was second with the second was second enter had seen Feuer deny him with another farling save, but this time even the Town's an of the match was helpless as REDFEARN'S power drive ripped into the net. Four minutes later, in what looked like a desrout minutes later, in what looked like a des-perate measure to meet desperate circumstances, Westley sent on all three subs, and the Town ried to go for all-out attack.

Patterson became a striker and Stuart Patterson became a sarket and Stuffer
Douglas put himself about with great enthusiism. Davis was booked to stop one of his runs,
and at least the Town had a go in the closing

sages.
But a lot of it was long ball optimism, tinged with a little desperation, and with so much effort speet on attacking, an under-manned defence did well to avoid further goals at the other end.
They did it courtesy of good work by Feuer the months of the speech o and over-anxious and sometimes sloppy finish-

ng by Barnsley.
Former Town star Wilson, whose playing career is probably over because of a persistent and injury, would not be drawn when asked to compare the side he had just seen with the one be played in nearly a decade ago. Chalk and these is the phrase that comes to mind to some

He was just pleased to see Barnsley improve arun of one win in the previous nine league out-

Luton frustrated us to a certain extent," he said. "But in the end we could have had four or five goals. After the first half I knew we had to gear. Luton played it tight, and you can under stand that, in the position they are.



TOP MAN: Darren Patterson, on his full league debut for the Town, gets head

## Old enemy are let off the hook

#### WATFORD 1 LUTON TOWN 1

THE DEFEAT at Barnsley would have been less of a blow if the Town's normally reliable Trevor Peake had not dropped the season's biggest clanger at Watford.

The Town should have hoisted themselves out of the First Division's bottom three at Vicarage Road, but after a cracking derby match they came off the field feeling as gutted as their fans after gifting Watford a late

In the first 45 minutes recent form was forgotten as the Town gained their custom-ary control of a team that has not beaten

them in the league since 1987.
With Graham Alexander dropped, Julian James continued in the centre of defence and James continued in the centre of delevic and James continued in the centre of delevic and the control of the control Steve Davis returned from flu to play in midfield. At times the skipper looked lost in that role, but it was Watford who lost him in the 25th minute, when he rose perfectly to head the Town into the lead, from a right wing corner by Richard Harvey.

Referee Mick Pierce of Portsmouth gave a controval part of the lead of th

controversial penalty a minute before the break, ruling that Ceri Hughes had brought down Andy Hessenthaler. The Watford skipper celebrated the award as though he had scored. But when Craig Ramage took the spot kick Ian Feuer dived to his left and ought off a brilliant save, pushing the ball

"That was justice," said Town boss Terry Westley. "I didn't think it was a penalty at

e time, and the video evidence shows that enthaler kicked the ground and fell after the break, but the Town contained them easily. "We didn't penetrate," admit-led Watford boss Glen Roeder, who was delight...

Hornets above the Town in the league table. It was not so much a steal as a gift. The Town had the ball in midfield, six minutes from time, and were working it back towards Feuer. But Peake was much too casual when he tried to help it on its way with the final back pass.

"It was the best pass any Watford player received," said Westley.

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It put Ramage clear in the inside left position. The sight of the massive Feuer seemed to frighten the Watford man, and for a moment it looked as though the Town would escape, because Ramage's drive hit the front of the far post. But it rebounded to Kevin Phillips, and he accepted the gift.

The big Town following went home with

The big Town following went nome with mixed emotions. It was nice to see that the team was capable of playing winning football, but it hurt to give away anything to the old enemy on a night when Watford were

And that despite the fact that the Town had to reorganise twice, to get over injuries to Davis, James and Dwight Marshall.

#### MATCH DETAILS

TOWN: Feuer; Peake, James (Thorpe 72 nins), Marvin Johnson; Oakes, Steve Davis (Patterson 60 mins), Hughes, McLaren, Harvey; Marshall (Douglas 60 mins), Riseth.
WATFORD: Miller; Lavin, Millen, Holdsworth, Mooney; Hessenthales, Ramage, Palmer, Caskey; Penrice (Moralee HT), Phillips. Unused subs Bazeley and

Richard Johnson.
GOALS: 0-1 25 mins, Steve Davis header from Richard Harvey's right wing corner to the far post; 1-1 84 mins, Kevin Phillips from the rebound after Trevor Peake put Craig Ramage in for a shot that came back off a

post.
OTHER ATTEMPTS: Town six saved and eight wide; Watford five saved including



a penalty by Ramage, seven wide, and two hit the woodwork, one from the penalty save and the other in the build-up to the equalis er. Corners: 10-7 to Watford.

REFEREE: Mick Pierce, Portsmouth.

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BOOKED: Julian James and Ceri
Jughes, both for fouls.
ATTENDANCE: 10,042, with the Town's 2,247 in good voice and creating a goo

atmosphere.
ENTERTAINMENT: A pleasure twatch, except for the moment of madnes that cost the Town two points on a night when they otherwise deserved all three.



## Arsenal bid for Hughes denied

ARSENAL's reported inter-est in Ceri Hughes, who has just regained his place in the Welsh international side, was dismissed as no more than paper talk by Town manager Terry Westley this week.

line saying that Bruce Rioch wants the 24-year-old mid-

ple of weeks ago that Hughes involved. He added he did not want to sell Hughes.

This week the manager said: "I don't know where the latest story came from Arsenal have not expressed any interest in Hughes, and to be blunt I don't think he is doing well enough yet to get into Arsenal's Premiership



uppermost in their scouts

may date back to an Anglo-Italian game in September, when Rioch was in the stand. But the Town reply was that as the Arsenal boss lives a

## Two are lucky to escape bans

GRAHAM Alexander and Ceri Hughes did well to escape the attentions of an escape the escape the escape that booked, a three- game sus-pension would follow. got for reaching 21 points. Darwen ref Tony Leake

yellow cards so far this season, to top the Town's bookings list, and Hughes has Both have received five son, to top the Town's book-ings list, and Hughes has already served a suspension for his sending- off at Southend, the club's only red card offence in the league.

Julian James has been booked four times, plus once in the Anglo-Italian tournament, but the yellow card from Genoa counts only in that competition.

In domestic games 21 disciplinary points before November 26 - which Hughes and Alexander would have passed if they had been booked at Oakwell

earns a three-match ban. Players who pass 21 disci-

for half-time Barnsley's Andy Paytor was yellow-carded for the terrible crime of shooting into the net a split second side, in stoppage time at the end of the game. I can recall a few tackles from both sides any hint of similar punish

booked for time-wasting

booking in nearly two years.
There is no appeal against the ref's decision, but Mr

Leake rectified matters o

the day, by playing an extra four minutes before blowing

# ENDSLEIGH LEAGUE DIV I

COCA-COLA CUP (First Round)
August 1995

(Bournemouth win 3-2 on aggregated)
ANGLO ITALIAN CUP

3.759

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## How they stand in Div 1

Town's season at a glance....

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	Norwich	19	5	3	1	11	6	4	3	3	19	14	3
	Grimsby	19	5	4	0	11	5	4	2	4	12	14	3
	Leicester	19	3	2	4	13	14	6	3	1	18	12	3
	Birmingh'n		4	5	1	17	12	4	2	3	13	10	3
	Sunderland		4	3	1	12	7	4	4	2	9	8	3
	Tranmere	17	5	3	2	20	11	3	3	1	9	5	3
	Huddersf d		7	1	2	20	12	1	4	4	6	13	2
	Stoke	19	4	4	2	12	6	3	3	3	17	18	2
	Derby Co	19	4	4	1	12	6	3	3	4	14	18	2
	Barnsley	19	5	4	1	13	12	2	2	5	11	18	2
	Charlton	19	4	5	1	15	11	2	4	3	8	8	2
	Oldham	19	4	4	2	17	12	2	4	3		10	2
	Ipswich	19	5	2	3	20	16	1	4	4	12	14	2
	West Brom	19	5	1	4	13	12	2	2	5	10	15	2
	Southend	19	4	3	2	10	9	2	3	5	9	15	2
	Crystal P	18	2	4	3	10	12	3	3	3	10	11	2
	Reading	19	3.	2	4	13	15	1	6	3	8	10	2
	Sheff Utd	19	3	2	5	14	16	2	1	6	11	17	1
	Wolves	19	3	3	3	H	11	1	3	6	11	17	1
	Watford	19	2	5	3	12	12	1	3	5	10	16	1
	Portsmouth	19	2	4	3	14	24	1	3	6	12	20	1
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**PICTURES BY GARETH OWEN** 

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Marshall 17	Guentchev1	ASSISTS
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