



● Ian Feuer turns hero as he saves a penalty in the 37th minute for the Hatters



● Bruce Grobbelaar in action

■ Goal king Thorpe puts Town ahead twice but it proves to no avail...

Sad Hatters miss the bus!

Luton Town 2
Plymouth Argyle 2
LEAGUE goals at Kenilworth Road are becoming a little like London buses – you wait 238 minutes for one and then four arrive in the space of 11 minutes.

Tony Thorpe put a brace past bribes case goalkeeper Bruce Grobbelaar to make the season's aggregate score against yesterday's visitors Thorpe 5 Argyle 5.

The division's most prolific striker followed up November's hat-trick at Home Park with two more.

But despite going ahead twice, Luton could not hold

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out against Managerless Plymouth, who bounced back quickly on each occasion.

And with the game deep into injury time, Adrian Littlejohn could have snatched it for the Pilgrims after breaking free down the left.

But his exquisite chip from a seemingly impossible angle rattled the top of the bar and flew away to safety.

And the result might have been different had Michael Evans despatched a 37th minute penalty after Sean Evers, on his league debut, hauled down Mark Saunders.

But Ian Feuer made a superb save at full stretch low to his left to deny Argyle an opener, and prompt 6,000 home fans into a spontaneous adulatory

wave of bows.

In the second half David Oldfield lashed a shot too high after a four man move, and Thorpe hit the side netting after turning his marker

inside out on the inside left channel.

Just before the hour Hatters' pressure finally reaped its reward.

Oldfield picked out Thorpe on the edge of the box with a quick free kick, and despite the attentions of three defenders the tricky target man conjured himself an inch of space in which to lash home an unstoppable 15 yard drive into the bottom corner.

The lead lasted barely two minutes.

Saunders tried a speculative shot which deflected kindly into the path of Littlejohn, who tucked home from close range.

Two minutes later Steve Davis launched a long ball from half way into the box, and with Argyle vainly appealing for an earlier foul, Dwight Marshall looped a backwards header into the six yard area.

Bruce Grobbelaar waited on his line for Tony James to clear the danger, and James waited for Grobbelaar, leaving Thorpe time to nip in and head home

This time the lead lasted seven minutes.

Tony James played the ball into Carlo Corazzin and the little midfielder's clever through ball caught Hatters at sixes and



sevens.

Evans burst into the space, then succeeded where many before him have failed by drawing the hulking Feuer off his line and coolly chipping the ball over him and into the back

of the net.

Team: Feuer, James, Thomas, Evers (Linton 45), Davis, Johnson, Guentchev, Alexander, Oldfield, Thorpe, Marshall (Fotiadis 74). Sub not used: Patterson.

● Two goal Tony Thorpe battles it out for the ball against a Plymouth defender