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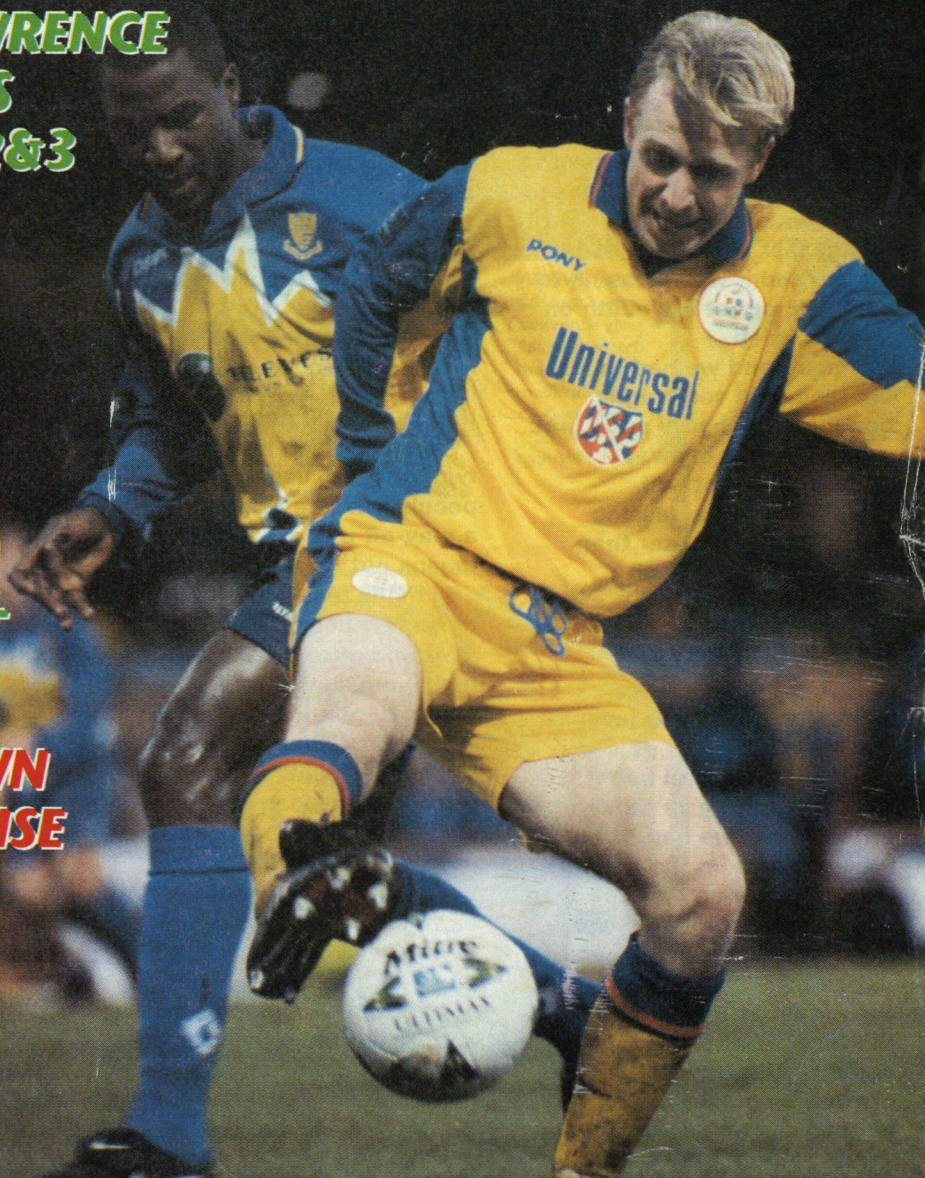
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From the manager's chair



with **LENNIE LAWRENCE**

OUR last two games at Millwall and Southend have seen solid, professional, disciplined and battling performances.

We have gained two hard-fought but deserved victories, in ground conditions not experienced for some considerable time.

At Millwall we won in the closing minutes of a game we never looked likely to lose, although it seemed our best chance of winning had passed us by. We surrendered a lot of games last year in the latter stages and it was pleasing to see a victory at the death on this occasion.

At Southend we had to contend with very windy conditions, a heavy pitch, and a fierce storm midway through the first half.

Southend are a passing team, who are better than their league position indicates, and they put us under plenty of pressure in the first half.

Indeed, I felt we were fortunate to come in level at the interval.

But in the second half it was a different story as they ran out of ideas, we had three or four chances on the break, and the win was no more than we deserved.

The result continues our unbeaten away record from the defeat at Bristol City at the end of September, but obviously that sort of record of winning games and containing the opposition needs to be reproduced at home.

If we can do that with

immediate effect then many things are still possible.

We can't finish in the top two, but because of the peculiar nature of this league a play-off place is by no means out of the question.

So many teams are covered by so few points.

We find ourselves in the highly unusual situation of being 10 points behind the third placed club and eight behind the sixth placed.

In a normal year, anything other than sixth place would be totally beyond recall, because the third placed team for example would normally have six or seven more points than at present.

Nevertheless, all that means nothing unless we can maintain our run with three points today against Blackpool, and we welcome the Seasiders, their players, officials and supporters to Kenilworth Road this

afternoon.

Blackpool come to us in mid-table, with an excellent home record and an indifferent away record - a situation common to most teams in this league except us.

They will obviously be looking to improve their away form today, but if we are to challenge for a play-off position then our home form must be turned round this month.

We have three games at home out of our next four league fixtures - and in total it's four out of five including the re-arranged Auto Windscreens Shield match against Brentford.

Fulham will obviously be a difficult game, but nothing less than six points will do from the game today and against Bournemouth at the end of the month.

Blackpool beat us 1-0 at Bloomfield Road in the 90 degree heat on the opening day of the season, when we were totally ineffective as an attacking force.

Today the weather conditions will be vastly different, and hopefully the performance and the result will be as well.

On the injury front, Paul Showler, Phil Gray and Marvin Johnson are all back in training, but had their comebacks put on hold by the postponement of the reserve game against Tottenham on Wednesday. Hopefully all will instead feature in a re-arranged reserve game at Oxford on Tuesday.

Julian James and Stuart



Douglas remain longer-term absentees of the first-team squad, and are both making satisfactory progress.

Steve Augustine has started his rehabilitation following a broken leg, and hopefully Liam George's achilles tendon problem will clear soon.

We have also extended the loan of Chris Allen from Nottingham Forest for a second month. I'm pleased to say that all parties agreed to the loan continuing, and I feel that Chris has adapted better and better as each game has gone by.

ABOVE: Luton manager Lennie Lawrence gives his post-match thoughts to the media after the 2-0 win at the New Den against Millwall.

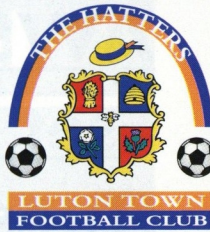
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AWS tie set for Tuesday

A WATERLOGGED pitch at Kenilworth Road meant that Tuesday's Auto Windscreens Shield second round match against Brentford was postponed.

The tie is now scheduled to take place this Tuesday, January 13, with a 7.45pm kick-off.

A number of matches were hit by the weather, with Northampton v Torquay also postponed in the southern section.

Fulham's match against Wycombe was also delayed due to Fulham's FA Cup match at Tottenham being played on Monday night.

In the northern section - Burnley v Notts County, Macclesfield v Preston, and Wigan v Rotherham were all postponed.

In the matches that were played in the southern section, Walsall were the evening's top scorers with a 5-0 home win over Brighton.

French striker Roger Boli netted twice.

On loan striker Steve Jones, back at Bournemouth from Charlton, scored in the Cherries' 2-0 defeat of Leyton Orient, and Adam Locke scored the only goal as Bristol City beat Millwall 1-0 at Ashton Gate.

Bristol Rovers won 2-1 at Exeter, and ex-Hatter Scott Houghton was



DAVID Oldfield in first-half action at Roots Hall against Southend, during last Saturday's 2-1 victory.

on target for Peterborough in their 2-1 win at Swansea. Jimmy Quinn netted the Posh winner in the 89th minute.

In the northern section, Carlisle beat Rochdale 6-1, Grimsby beat Hull 1-0, and Scunthorpe won 2-1 at Hartlepool.

But the most dramatic tie involved this afternoon's opponents Blackpool who beat York City.

The teams were level at 1-1 after extra-time - Phil Clarkson having equalised for Blackpool after 87 minutes - so a penalty shoot-out was required.

Blackpool won through on

penalties..... 10-9!

The format of the competition once again involves a northern and southern section, with a first round, second round, area quarter-final, area semi-final, and area final - the latter played over two legs on a home and away basis.

The competition final is at Wembley on Sunday, April 19.

One semi-final already reached is in the Beds Premier Cup.

The Hatters will visit Brache Sparta on Wednesday, January 28, with a 7.30pm kick-off. - *SIMON OXLEY.*

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In the interests of public safety, the safety authority (Beds County Council) have imposed a NO SMOKING restriction in and beneath our main stand. Your co-operation is appreciated.

FRONT COVER: David Oldfield holds off the challenge of Southend defender Keith Dublin during the Hatters' 2-1 win at Roots Hall last Saturday. More action on pages 16 and 17. (Picture: Gareth Owen).

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LUTON TOWN v BRENTFORD

AUTO WINDSCREENS SHIELD - SECOND ROUND

Tuesday, January 13, 1998, kick-off 7.45pm

Unreserved seating. Pay on the turnstiles on the night.
Cash only.

Prices: £5.00 for adults.

£1.00 for Juniors/Senior Citizens.

Please note the only areas that will be open will be the Main Stand, Main Stand Enclosure, and the Kenilworth Lower Tier. (NB: Any tickets purchased for the original date - January 6 - will be valid)

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Club Captain's Corner with STEVE DAVIS



LEFT: Celebrations for Andrew Fotiadis, Tony Thorpe and the Luton supporters, after Thorpe's late equaliser in the Boxing Day game against Northampton.

AFTER 45 minutes of our game against Northampton a lot of people would have thought "Oh no, here we go again".

But with our backs against the wall we came out fighting in the second half and managed a 2-2 draw. Following that point up with three at Millwall, and also a victory at Southend, has turned the festive period into one of cheer rather than groans of "Santa didn't bring me what I wanted!"

For the second season running we left it extremely late at Millwall, and managed to beat a team who like ourselves have been struggling at home.

Southend was a battle, but after a great start with yet another goal from Grezza, it was one we always felt we could win even after they hit the bar towards the end of the first half.

We'll always be grateful to that penguin that was perched on the crossbar for deflecting the ball up as opposed to down! Whoever said it's grim up north? Blazing sunshine at Wigan and Chesterfield. Blizzards and high winds in Southend!

The real test however starts today. After the postponement of

Ex-Hatters on the move....

DEFENDER Bryan Small's return to Bolton was a short one! The fullback, who spent three months on loan at Luton from the Reebok Stadium has now joined Division One side Bradford City on loan.

He made his debut for the Bantams in their 1-0 pre-Christmas defeat at QPR. Bradford, up until Tuesday at 5pm, were managed by former Luton midfielder Chris Kamara.

Canadian international Geoff Auger has signed for Division One Stockport County, from US team Seattle. Auger scored on his debut for the Hatters in a 3-2 defeat at Crystal Palace in November 1993.

Tuesday's game we have had a short break from competitive matches and nothing less than three points will do. Our home form must improve and if it does, along with our current away form, we could find ourselves in a position to sneak into the play-offs come the beginning of May.

It would obviously mean doing it the opposite way to last year, but it doesn't matter how we achieve it as long as we are in Division One next season.

I must stress however, just because we have won two on the trot, we are not getting carried away and to use an old footballing cliché we will take one game at a time.

During our recent poor run at home we have noticed a few entertaining reports in one of the local papers. Pantomime cows, Tinkerbell and 'Pussies in Boots' - all very funny stuff. The lads have all got a good sense of humour; it's just as well. If the reports had been in any other paper than the 'free' paper on a Sunday, then we might have taken it to heart!

The turn of the year sees us start the run into May. With promotion for the club and contracts for some of the players, young and old, there is plenty to play for.

For any young player looking for that little something that might just be the difference between getting taken on or released, they should look no further than Gary Waddock and take a leaf out of his book.

He's 'thirty something' and has just come through a Christmas period on pitches heavier than any Christmas pudding, and has finished every game as strong, if not stronger, than any of us 'young pups'. His attitude and knowledge of the game is second to none and is a great role model for any aspiring footballer to follow.

Hope you all enjoy today's game, with the possibility of being three points better off come 4.45pm.

FOR THE LATEST NEWS - **CLUBCALL 0891 121 123**
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THE terrible weather of the past week has caused havoc with both league and cup fixtures, for both first and reserve teams.

Our Auto Windscreens Shield match with Brentford is now due to be played this Tuesday, January 13, with a 7.45pm kick-off.

See the ticket office page opposite for details of special admission prices.

If we are successful against Brentford, we have been drawn away to Fulham or Wycombe in the area quarter-finals.

We have also had to cancel our reserve match with West Ham which was due to be played this Tuesday, but in its place is our Combination match with Oxford which will be played at the Manor Ground, kick-off 12 noon - weather permitting!

Hitchin Town's ground was also one that became a casualty of the weather so we had to postpone our reserve match against Tottenham on Wednesday, and there is no new date at the time of writing.

Don't forget the FA Youth Cup third round match here at Kenilworth Road on Wednesday, January 14, against Tottenham with a 7.00pm kick-off.

In the semi-final of the Beds Premier Cup we have been drawn away to Brache Sparta, and this match will be played on Wednesday, January 28, kick-off 7.00pm, at the

From the secretary's chair



with **CHERRY NEWBERY**

Foxdell Sports Ground in Dallow Road, Luton.

The Christmas Carol Service raised £500 in donations which will be divided equally between the Luton and South Beds Hospice and the Parish Church of St Marys.

The collection at the service was £322, which will be sent to the Childrens Hospice Appeal. Our thanks to everyone for their support.

In our reception area at Christmas we had a tree that staff put

Christmas messages on instead of sending cards, and the donations that were made totalled £168 which will also go to the Childrens Hospice

Appeal.

Thanks go to Mr Picot for the help with the tree and to Jan Bavister for all her efforts.

Finally, a thank you to all supporters from the Rotary Club of Luton for giving so generously to the Mayor's Christmas Appeal Fund.

The collection at the home match against Bristol Rovers on December 20 totalled £555.

In the last match programme this page was beginning to look like a 'situations vacant' page, and although we have filled most of the positions, we still need a commentator for the new system for our blind and deaf supporters.

Please telephone me if you can help - also if you know anyone who would benefit from using the system.

TOWN TEASER

Andy Dibble saved a penalty in the 1988 Littlewoods Cup Final to help the Hatters to victory. Who was the penalty taker?

Listen out for the PA announcer asking this question this afternoon.

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Sat Feb 28	Plymouth	£16.50	£13.50	7.30am	8.30am

Coaches from Cranfield pick up additionally at the following places: Marston Moretaine, Ampthill, Flitwick, Westoning and opposite the Luton Gateway Hotel. All coaches then depart from the junction of Hazelbury Crescent and Kenilworth Road.

To book: 1) From the ticket kiosk in the Kenilworth Road turnstiles. See BTC co-ordinator Paul Deason before any Saturday 1st team home match between 2.15 and 2.45pm. (NB No bookings taken at midweek matches). 2) On the return journey from the previous away game. 3) Telephone Paul Deason on Bedford 01234 750996. Membership of the Bobbers Travel Club is £1 for adults and 50p for children/OAPs.

Luton Town v Brentford

AUTO WINDSCREENS SHIELD ROUND TWO
Tuesday, January 13, 1998, kick-off 7.45pm

Unreserved seating. Pay on the turnstiles on the night. Cash only.
Prices: £5.00 for adults, £1.00 for juniors and senior citizens.

Any tickets that were purchased for the original date will be void for the re-arranged fixture. Please note that the only areas that will be open for this match will be the Main Stand, Main Stand Enclosure, and the Kenilworth Lower Tier.

Oldham Athletic v Luton Town

NATIONWIDE LEAGUE DIVISION TWO
Saturday, January 17, 1998, kick-off 3pm

Pay on the day only at Boundary Park.
Covered seats behind the goal for Luton supporters.

Prices: £12 for adults, £5 for juniors and senior citizens.

(The Luton Town ticket office will be open from 9am to 11am on Saturday, January 17, for the sale of other match tickets).

Luton Town v Fulham

NATIONWIDE LEAGUE DIVISION TWO
Saturday, January 24, 1998, kick-off 3pm

Tickets for this match are now on sale at the discounted price.
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Luton Town v AFC Bournemouth

NATIONWIDE LEAGUE DIVISION TWO
Saturday, January 31, 1998, kick-off 3pm

Tickets for this match are now on sale at the discounted price.
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Wrexham v Luton Town

NATIONWIDE LEAGUE DIVISION TWO
Saturday, February 7, 1998, kick-off 3pm

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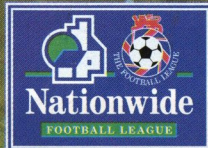
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Keepers dominate in golden oldies top ten!

WHEN Neville Southall played for Southend against Luton last week, he was further cementing his place in the top ten oldest players in league football.

The Welsh international is currently on loan at Roots Hall from Everton, and was one of four goalkeepers in a list published recently by The Daily Telegraph.

Ironically, just ahead of Southall was Millwall goalkeeper Nigel Spink who played against the Hatters the previous week.

But top of the list is Luton's own Trevor Peake after his one substitute appearance earlier this season.

Also still going strong is former Town favourite Steve White, now with Cardiff City.

Top Ten Oldest Players in League football

	Apps	Age
1. Trevor Peake (Luton)	628	40yrs 9 mths
2. Steve Ogrizovic (Coventry)	596	40yrs 59 days
3. Nigel Spink (Millwall)	388	39yrs 94 days
4. Neville Southall (Everton)	623	39yrs 55 days
5. John Aldridge (Tranmere)	663	39yrs 53 days
6. Gordon Cowans (Burnley)	686	39yrs 14 days
7. Steve White (Cardiff)	630	38yrs 312 days
8. Dave Beasant (Nottm Forest)	604	38yrs 235 days
9. Tony Ford (Mansfield)	777	38yrs 180 days
10. Glen Cockerill (Brentford)	692	38yrs 77 days

As at November 1997. Qualification - At least part of one league game this season. Compiled by The Daily Telegraph.



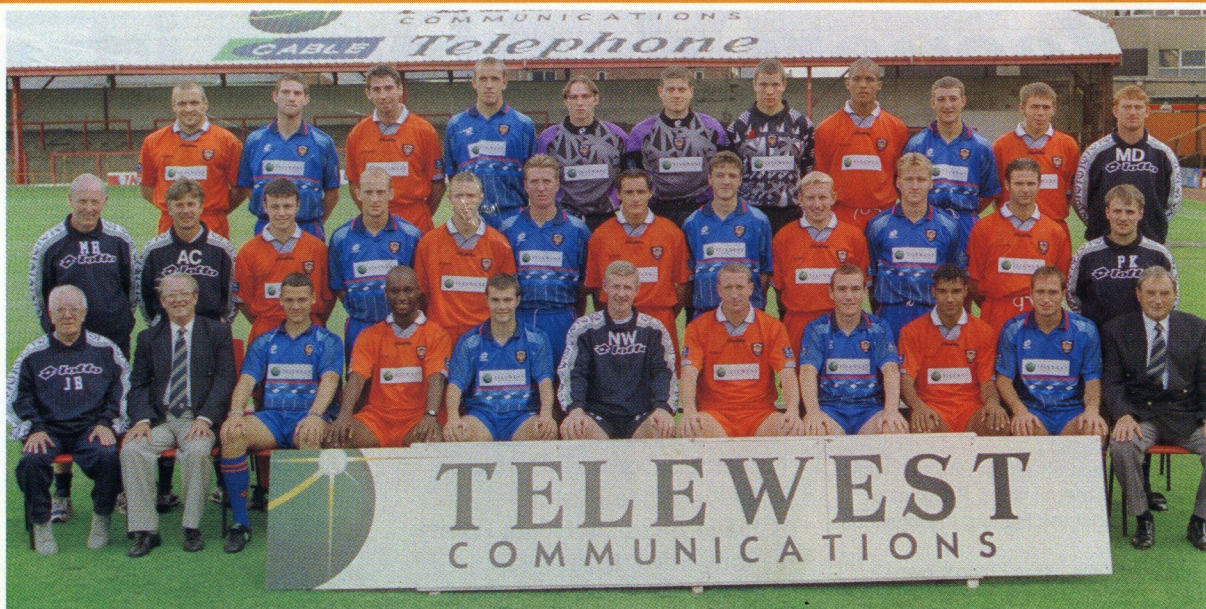
ABOVE: Neville Southall, pictured playing for Southend against Luton last week, is one of the oldest players currently playing league football. Another 'golden oldie' Nigel Spink was in goal for Millwall the previous week.

Many thanks for the large number of photographs which show you the supporters proudly displaying the Luton colours in various parts of the world. (There will a prize for the most obscure, or any with celebrities in!) Please keep sending them! This feature will resume later this month. Photos should be sent to: The Programme Editor, c/o Luton Town FC, Kenilworth Stadium, 1 Maple Road, Luton, Beds, LU4 8AW. Requests for penpals, programme swaps etc. can also be forwarded. (NB Please enclose SAE for return of photos).

The second annual Bedford Town Football Programme Fair will be held on Sunday, February 15, 1998, in The Social Club, Bedford Town FC, The New Eyrie, Meadow Lane, Cardington, Bedford, from 11am to 2.30pm. Admission will be 30p, and light refreshments and bar facilities will be available. The event is organised by The Football Programme Directory, in conjunction with the Supporters' Club.

For further information contact, David Stacey, The Editor and Events Organiser, The FPD, 66 Southend Road, Wickford, Essex, SS11 8EN. Telephone and fax: 01268 732041.

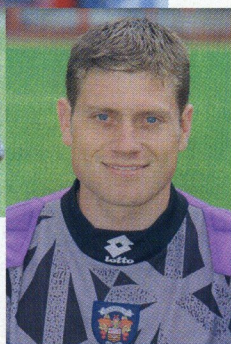
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BACK row: l to r: Gary Brabin, James Quinn, Chris Malkin, Tony Butler, Henry Heighton, Steve Banks, Phil Barnes, Clark Carlisle, Phil Clarkson, Jamie Cross, Mike Davies. Middle row: Mick Hennigan (Coach), Alan Crawford, Paul Carden, Darren Bradshaw, Brett Ormerod, Keith Russell, Ben Dixon, John Reid, Jason Lydiate, Tony Ellis, Paul Kelly (Physio). Front row: Jackie Burke, Fred O'Donoghue, Paul Haddow, Marvin Bryan, Mark Bonner, Nigel Worthington (Manager), Dave Linighan, Micky Mellon, Andy Preece, Lee Philpott, Jack Chapman



ABOVE: Former Leicester and Cambridge winger Lee Philpott.



RIGHT: Steve Banks

Tangerines dream of promotion place

NIGEL Worthington's side look well placed for a play-off challenge, and prior to the Christmas programme enjoyed a mid-table position built around an impressive home record at Bloomfield Road.

A Jason Lydiate goal gave them a 1-0 win over the Hatters on the opening day of the season, and since then they have lost just once at home in the league - 4-2 to Wycombe - and also overcame Manchester City and Coventry in the opening rounds of the Coca-Cola Cup. Manchester City were eventually beaten on penalties, and the Tangerines only lost to Coventry 3-2 on aggregate after giving the Premiership outfit a real fright.

Blackpool have been in Division Two since gaining promotion via the play-offs in

1991, when they beat Scunthorpe - including our own Graham Alexander - on penalties at Wembley.

After two seasons finishing just above the relegation zone, 1994/95 ended in mid-table after at one time being on the verge of the play-off places.

Season 1995/96 ended in disaster after being in an automatic promotion spot until two games from the end. In the play-offs they won 2-0 at Bradford but then lost the second leg 3-0 at home - with manager Sam Allardyce subsequently losing his job.

Gary Megson almost guided them to the play-offs last term after a slow start, but then Megson resigned in the summer to become manager at Stockport, and was replaced by the experienced Worthington.

STEVE BANKS - Goalkeeper now in his third season with the club after signing from Gillingham. The only player to start every game last season, he was awarded the Player of the Year title.

MARK BONNER - Midfielder who has been with the club since a junior.

GARY BRABIN - Cost £200,000 from Bury in the summer of 1996. Competitive midfielder who started at Stockport, and has also played for Gateshead, Runcorn and Doncaster.

MARVIN BRYAN - Attacking right-back now in his third season with the club after joining from QPR for £20,000.

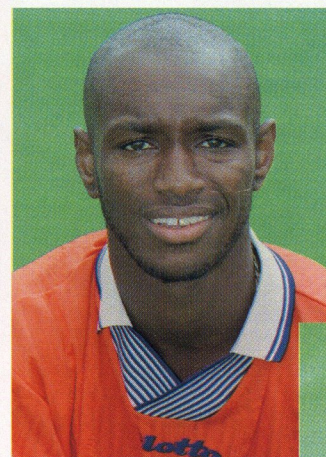
TONY BUTLER - Central defender who cost £240,000 from Gillingham in the summer of 1996. Made 47 appearances, forming a good defensive partnership with David Linighan.

PAUL CARDEN - First year professional who was top scorer for the juniors last season. Made his full debut in the AWS at Rotherham last season.

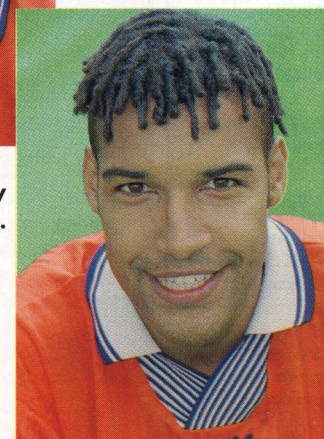
PHIL CLARKSON - Signed from Scunthorpe for £80,000 in February 1997, and soon made an impact from midfield with five goals in his 17 appearances, including both in a 2-1 win over local rivals Preston. Also played at Fleetwood and Crewe.

JAMIE CROSS - First year professional who has impressed in the reserves at left-back.

BEN DIXON - Left-back/midfielder who came



LEFT: Right-back Marvin Bryan.



RIGHT: Striker Andy Preece.

from Lincoln City in the summer of 1996, but made just eight first-team starts last term.

PAUL HADDOW - Midfielder who comes locally from Fleetwood and is now a first-year professional.

HENRY HEIGHTON - Goalkeeper who comes from Sunderland and is now a first-year professional. Has been on the bench for the first-team, but up to the start of this season had yet to make his debut.

DAVID LINIGHAN - Experienced defender who cost £80,000 from Ipswich Town in January 1996 after a loan spell. Has also played at Hartlepool, Derby and Shrewsbury, and is the brother of Crystal Palace and former Arsenal centre-half Andy Linighan.

JASON LYDIATE - Defender who joined from Bolton Wanderers in March 1995 for £75,000 after previously being a trainee at Manchester United. Scored the winner in Blackpool's opening day victory over the Hatters.

CHRIS MALKIN - Club record signing from Millwall in October 1996 for £275,000, but was hit by various injuries throughout the remainder of the season. Started his career at Tranmere before going to Millwall for £400,000 in July 1995.

BRETT ORMEROD - Striker signed from Accrington Stanley in March 1997 after previously being a YTS at Blackburn.

LEE PHILPOTT - Left-sided midfielder who came from Leicester in March 1996 for £100,000. Suffered with injury last season after being among the goals early on. Formerly with Cambridge.

ANDY PREECE - Tall striker who joined the club from Crystal Palace in the summer of 1995 and scored 15 goals in his first season. Played the majority of last season as partner to Tony Ellis, and has also previously played at Northampton, Wrexham and Stockport.

JAMES QUINN - Highly-rated young striker who is now an established Northern Ireland international. At the start of the season had scored 43 goals for Blackpool in 136 starting appearances.

KEITH RUSSELL - Left-sided midfielder signed from non-league Hednesford on transfer deadline day last season, having played against Blackpool in the FA Cup.

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See page 20 for Blackpool stats for the current season.....

JOHN REED - Midfielder who was released by Sheffield United and has signed a one year contract. Came through the junior ranks at Bramall Lane, but his senior appearances were limited by injury. Had loan spells at Scarborough, Darlington and Mansfield.

ANTON ROGAN - Experienced defender released by Millwall and has signed a two-year contract. Northern Ireland international who played for Celtic, Sunderland and Oxford before joining Millwall.

PHILLIP BARNES - Young goalkeeper signed on a three-year contract from Rotherham, where he came through the junior ranks - making his Football League debut towards the end of last season. Cost Blackpool in the region of £100,000.

CLARKE CARLISLE - Young defender who has signed a three-year contract after only one year as a YTS player.



ABOVE: Junior Bent

JUNIOR BENT - Winger signed from Bristol City in August 1997 for a nominal fee on a two-year contract. Speedy winger who started at Huddersfield - his home town - before moving to Bristol for £30,000 in 1990. Had loan spells at Burnley, Stoke and Shrewsbury.

IAN HUGHES - Signed from Bury in december 1997 in a deal worth £200,000 with Tony Ellis moving in the opposite direction. Midfielder and Welsh Under-21 international, who had been at Bury for six years.

GREG STRONG - Defender now in his second month on loan from Bolton Wanderers.

MARTIN FOSTER - Midfielder on loan from Leeds United.

MEET THE MANAGER

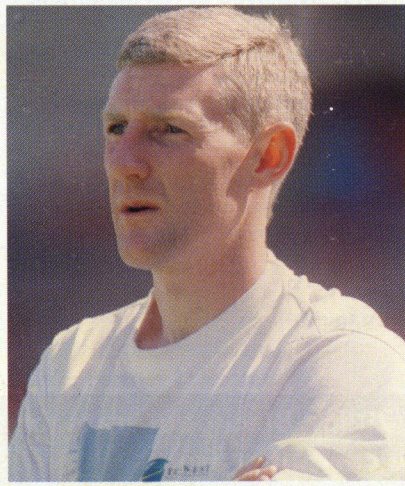
NIGEL WORTHINGTON was appointed to his first managerial post in July 1997, after a career which saw him capped 66 times for Northern Ireland.

He was appointed player/manager but the left-back/midfielder has stated he will only play in an emergency.

He started his playing career with Notts County in 1981, and was transferred to Sheffield Wednesday in 1984 where he spent 10 years, as the Owls were Coca-Cola Cup winners and runners-up, and FA Cup runners-up.

Worthington joined Leeds for £325,000 in 1994, and then moved to Stoke in 1996. In all he has made over 600 league and cup appearances.

His assistant is **MICK HENNIGAN**, Howard Wilkinson's number two when Leeds won the championship in 1992.



The Hatters and The Seasideers

GAMES against today's visitors in the Football League go back to the end of the last century when we enjoyed three seasons in Division Two before slipping back into the Southern League after finding the cost of travel too great.

For the first two of our Football League seasons we came up against Blackpool with the first meeting taking place at Dunstable Road on 29th November 1897.

We were three goals up at the interval through strikes from Tom Little (2) and James Coupar but playing with the wind in the second period Blackpool managed to pull a goal back.

We went down 1-0 at Bloomfield Road later on that season but in the following campaign we won both games 3-2 with Bill Ford (2) and James Kemplay hitting the important goals at Dunstable Road after we were 1-0 down at the interval.

At the end of that campaign Blackpool failed to win re-election and we therefore had to wait until 1955/56, following our promotion to the old Division One, before paths crossed again.

At that time the Seasideers were one of the biggest crowd draws in the country due, in no small part, to the 'Wizard of the Dribble' Stanley Matthews.

A Kenilworth Road crowd of 24493 turned up to see our first league clash for 56 years but were disappointed to hear that Matthews was absent from the Blackpool side.

We were going through a 'purple patch' at the time, especially at home, and after the early shock of a disallowed goal from the Seasideer's Bill Perry two strikes from Gordon Turner mid way through the first half set us up for an eventual 3-1 victory.

We gained a notable double two seasons later when Turner scored both goals in a 2-1 win at Bloomfield Road while Allan Brown (against his old club) and Mike Cullen were on target in the return which was won 2-0.

In the following season, after we had knocked Blackpool out of the F.A. Cup in a sixth round replay, the fixture list decreed that the two sides should meet at Kenilworth Road on the Saturday before the final.

In a pale imitation of our cup clashes



LEFT: Tony Thorpe gets in a shot during our 1-0 win over Blackpool at Kenilworth Road last season, when Kim Grant's first-half goal gave Luton the three points.

by ROGER WASH

the two sides put on a distinctly end of season performance only enlivened by an own goal from Brendan McNally in the 70th minute and a strike from Turner, who was first to a rebound, ten minutes later.

Following our relegation in 1960 we had to wait eleven years before renewing acquaintances, this time in the old Division Two.

In November 1971 we travelled to Bloomfield Road on the special train (£1.25 return wherever we went) along with the team, but due to a derailment at Warrington we did not pull into Blackpool until 2.50.

A police escort was waiting for the team but we did not arrive until after kick off and through the snowstorm managed to spot Don Givens score the only goal of the game. To top it all the train suffered a heating problem on the return journey and

believe me it was cold!

That game signalled our last win at Bloomfield Road but in the intervening time we have seen some sparkling home performances starting with a televised 2-2 home draw in 1972/73 when Seasideers' goalkeeper, a young John Burrige, pulled off a string of brilliant saves.

In the following season we trounced Blackpool 3-0 in an early game with a display that gave rise to thoughts of promotion which was eventually secured.

Another 3-0 win followed on the final game of 1975/76 but in the next campaign we were held 0-0 in a match that saw only the second appearance of 17 year old Tony Knight in goal.

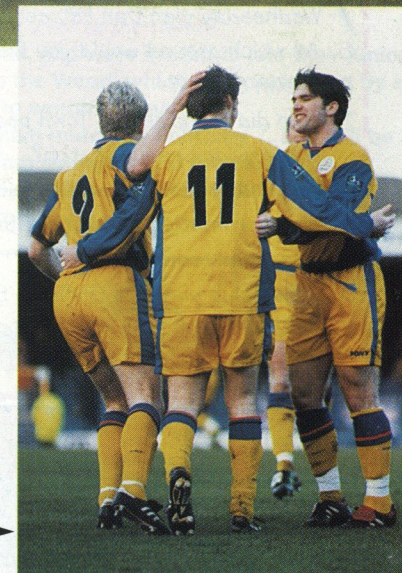
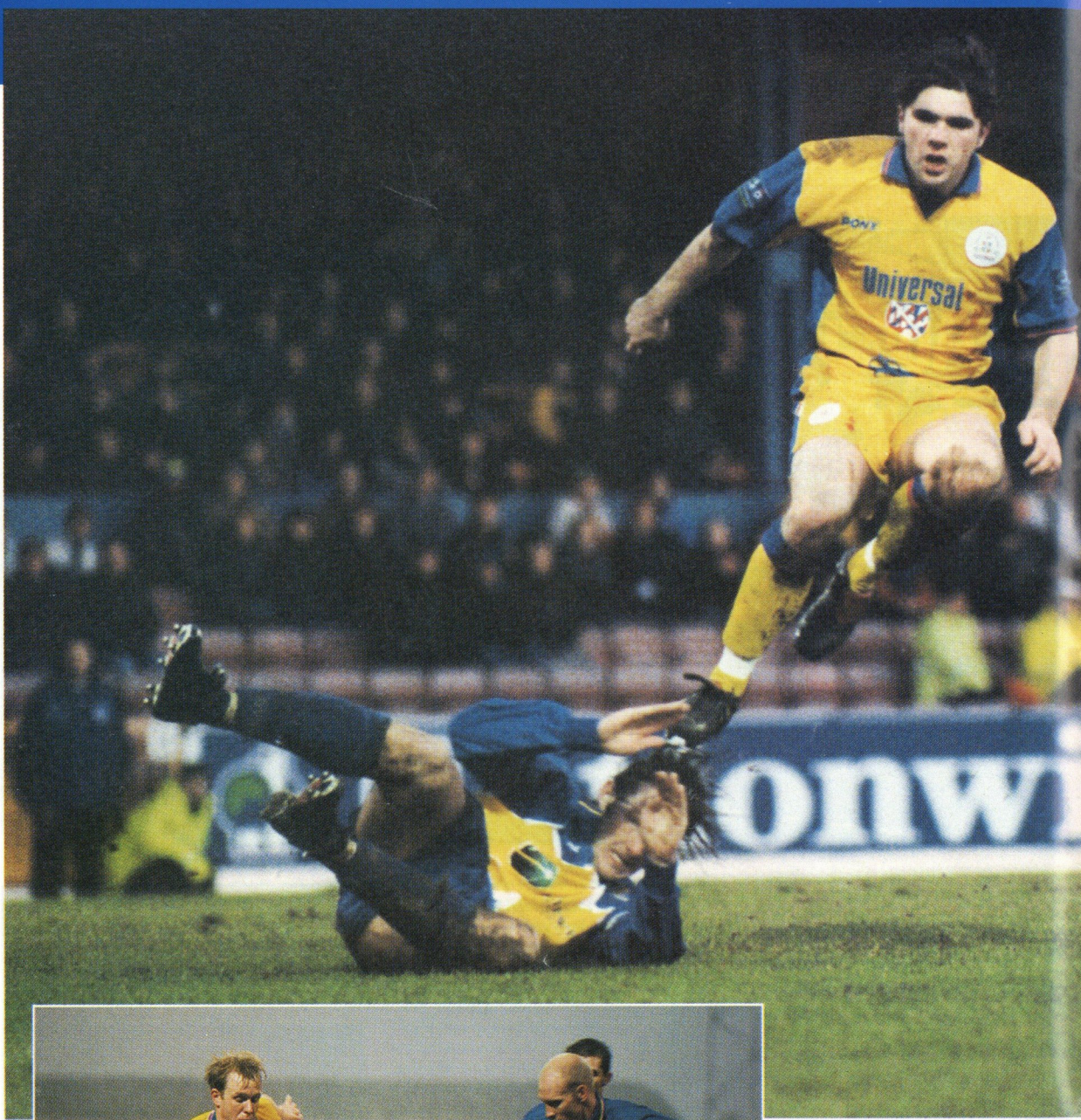
It was back to winning ways in 1977/78 when we scored three times in the last 14 minutes to secure a 4-0 victory and push Blackpool nearer the drop which they suffered at the end of that season.

We met up again last season when a single goal from Kim Grant earned all three points at Kenilworth Road with both sides fighting out a 0-0 draw at Bloomfield Road. We have, however, a score to settle following our 1-0 defeat at sunny Blackpool on the opening day of the current campaign.

As a post script I recall taking my, then fairly new, wife to Blackpool in October 1975 for the weekend to see the lights.

As we strolled along the front near Bloomfield Road at 2pm on the Saturday afternoon we spotted an advertising board that announced that Blackpool were playing the Town that day. "What a strange coincidence," said my wife in all innocence!

As punishment for my conniving we went down 3-2 after twice taking the lead and in case you ask, yes, she is still my wife although unfortunately nowhere near as gullible nowadays.

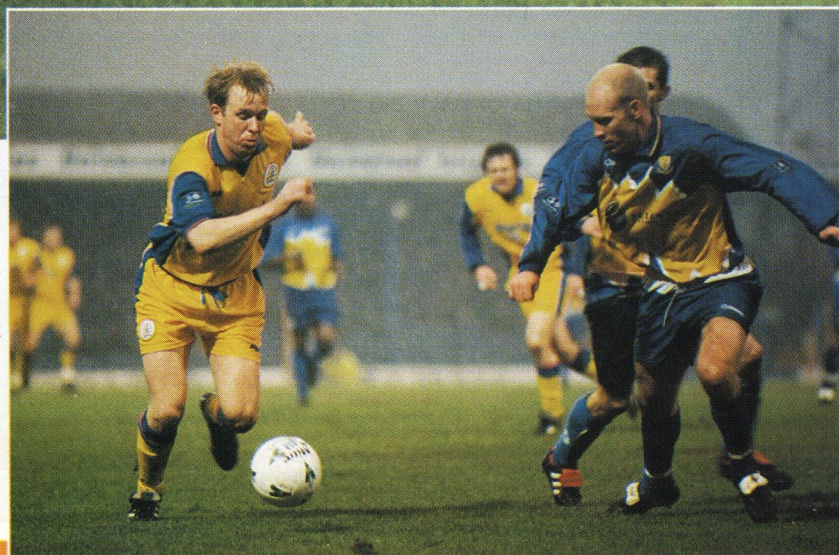


Graham Alexander's 61st minute goal puts Luton Town back in front at Roots Hall. It was his sixth of the season.

High flyer! Tony Thorpe clears the home defence during a second-half attack.

David Oldfield takes on the Shrimpers' defence during the first half downpour.

Alexander (11) is congratulated by David Oldfield and Tony Thorpe after his 2nd minute opener.



ACTION STATIONS

Southend United 1 Luton Town 2
 (Thomson) (Alexander 2)

Saturday, January 3, 1998 - Nationwide League Division Two

Attendance: 5,056

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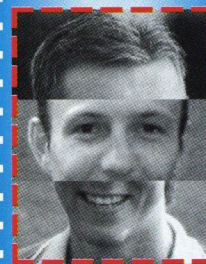
HALF TIME QUIZ

1. Who was the first player to be transferred for £500,000?
2. Who were the last team to win successive FA Cup Finals?
3. Which two goalkeepers swapped clubs in the last close season?
4. Which former Swedish international signed for Coventry City in July 1997?
5. From which Italian club did Sheffield Wednesday sign Dan Petrescu?
6. At which ground would you find the Charlie Brown Stand?
7. Who did Macclesfield Town beat in their first Nationwide League match?
8. How many 'new' clubs have joined the League since promotion from the Vauxhall Conference was re-introduced?
9. Which club plays at Sixfields Stadium?
10. Which African nation beat Mexico in the 1978 World Cup Finals?



IDENTIKIT

Name the three players in this patchwork pic



whose crests?

Name the three club crests featured in this montage

HELD LONG END

SERENE GNOWER ROW BRACING

DEVIL ADAPT AGAR HOME GREG

WHAT A JUMBLE!

Unscramble the names of these ten managers.

FERRY SCARING DEJA OVENS

PARK RED HARPYN

INANE JOKER HYDRON GOONS

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ANSWERS

HALF TIME QUIZ: 1. David Miller; 2. Tottenham Hotspur (1981 & 1982); 3. Kevin Miller & Chris Day (Watford/Crystal Palace); 4. Roland Nilsson; 5. Genoa; 6. Bradford's Valley Parade; 7. Torquay United; 8. 4; 9. Northampton Town; 10. Tunisia.
WHOSE CRESTS?: Wimbledon, Sunderland and Arsenal.
IDENTIKIT: Chris Woods, Frank Leotout and Jan Aage Fjortoft.
WHAT A JUMBLE: Glenn Hoddle, Craig Brown, Arsene Wenger, David Platt, George Graham, Gerry Francis, Dave Jones, Harry Redknapp, Joe Kinnear and Roy Hodgson.

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Happy New Year to all Junior Hatters

A WARM welcome to Kenilworth Road to all Junior Hatters, and we hope you had a wonderful Christmas and a happy New Year. Thanks to everyone who attended the Junior Hatters Christmas Party, and we would like to thank the following for their kind donations for the Christmas party: Luton Town Supporters Club, Hallmarks Coaches, Pepe's Fishbar, Seemarks Coaches, Co-operative Social Club, Asda - Wigmore Lane - Luton, GSB Tyre Services, Russell Cook, Eureka Newsagents.

Junior Hatters who attended the Christmas Party can purchase their photo which was taken with the players on the night for £1.00 each from the ticket office.

We are continuing to organise a number of special events for you, as well as trips to watch the Hatters away from home, and the popular Saturday Club for home matches.

The Saturday Club started up again this morning, and we are expecting the Junior Seaside to join us for the morning activities of football, games and lunch. Saturday Club bookings can be made at the ticket office on 01582 416976 until the day prior to the match.

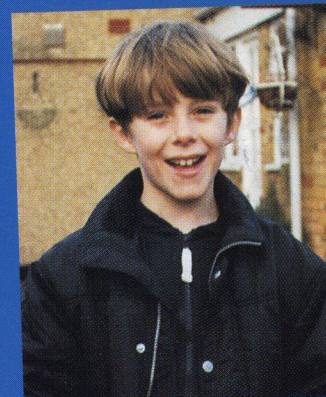
We had an excellent trip to Millwall, and were invited to join their juniors to watch the pantomime 'Babes in the Wood' which was performed by a professional troupe, before going to watch the match.

We will be travelling to the Wrexham match on February 7, and will be playing football against the Wrexham youngsters in the morning.

Bookings can be made at the ticket office on 01582 416976, but don't leave it too late as places are limited.



Today's mascot



This afternoon's Junior Hatters mascot is seven-year-old SAMUEL JOHN, who attends Datchet C of E School. His favourite Luton Town player is Tony Thorpe, and his hobbies are rugby and swimming. Today's ballgirls are Kate O'Sullivan and Claire Mahoney.

DON'T FORGET TO POP INTO THE CLUB SHOP FOR A WHOLE RANGE OF GIFT IDEAS FOR ALL THE FAMILY.....



LEFT: Our Junior Hatters mascot for the game against Northampton on Boxing Day was Jamie Lee Mann. He is pictured with the match officials, fellow mascots and team captains prior to kick-off.



RIGHT: Our Junior Hatters mascot for the game at Millwall was David Goodman. He is pictured with the match officials and team captains prior to kick-off.

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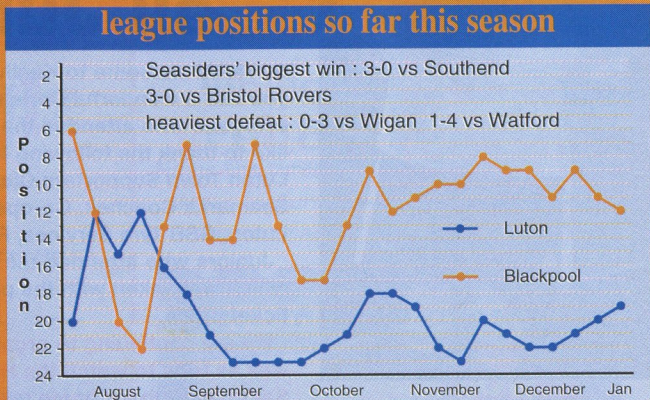
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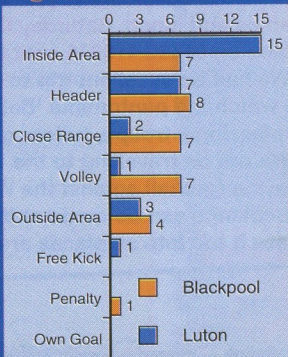
Who has played for Blackpool

Name	A	G	C	Previous Clubs
Steven Banks	25			Gillingham West Ham
9/2/72	6			
Andy Preece	22(2)	5	3	Palace Stockport
27/3/67	5	2		Wrexham Northampton
Mark Bonner	22	3	4	
7/6/74	6	1		
Marvin Bryan	22	2		QPR Doncaster (L)
2/8/75	5			
Phil Clarkson	21(3)	6	1	Scunthorpe Crewe
13/11/68	5	2		
Lee Philpott	20(3)	2	1	Leicester Cambridge
21/2/70	5			Peterborough
Tony Butler	19	3		Gillingham
28/9/72	4	2		
Jason Lydiate	13	1	1	Bolton Man Utd
23/10/71	5(1)	1		
David Linighan	12(3)	4		Ipswich Shrewsbury
9/1/65	4	3		Derby Hartlepool
				Leeds (L)
James Quinn	11(1)	4	2	Stockport (L)
15/12/74	3			Birmingham
Junior Bent	10(8)			Bristol City Shrewsbury
1/3/70	2			(L) Stoke (L) Burnley
				(L) Huddersfield
				on loan from Bolton
Greg Strong	7	1	1	
5/9/75				Eng Yth
Gary Brabin	6(4)	1	4	Bury Doncaster
9/12/70	3			Stockport
Chris Malkin	6(3)	1(1)		Millwall Tranmere
4/6/67	(4)	1		
Ben Dixon	6(1)	2(1)		Lincoln
16/9/74	2			
Darren Bradshaw	6			Peterborough Plymouth
19/3/67	3	1		(L) Newcastle York
				Chesterfield
Nigel Worthington	4(5)	1		Stoke Leeds Sheff Wed
4/11/61	N Ire			Notts County
Ian Hughes	4	2		Bury
2/8/74	Wales U21			
Clarke Carlisle	3(1)	1		age 18
Brett Ormerod	1(4)	2		Accrington
18/10/76	(1)			
Martin Foster	1			on loan from Leeds
29/10/77				
Anton Rogan	1			Millwall Oxford
25/3/66	N Ire	1		Sunderland Celtic
John Reed	(2)			Sheff Utd Mansfield (L)
27/8/72				Darlington (L)
				Scarborough (L)
Steve Longworth				age 18
	(1)			

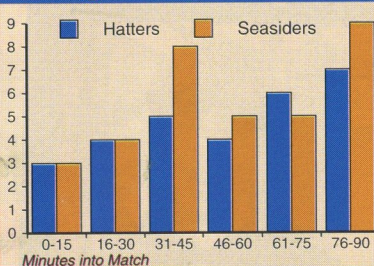
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goals - how scored



when goals have been scored

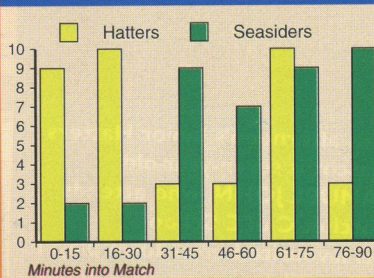


Blackpool's results analysis

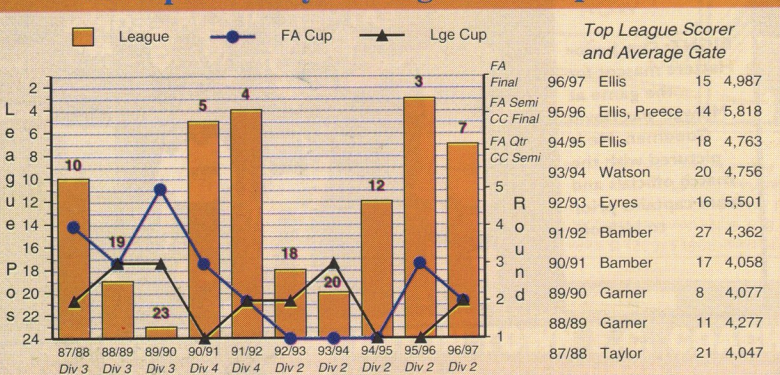
6 shows the number of matches finishing with a variety of scores, eg they have won 2 games 3-0 and lost 3 games 1-2

goals agt	0	1	2	3	4	5	6
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.. and when conceded



Blackpool's 10 year league and cup record



how goals conceded

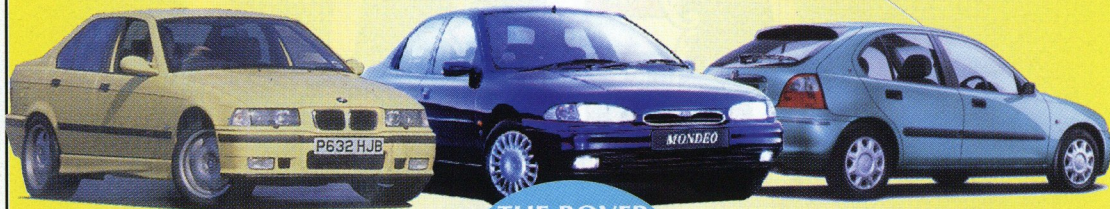


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 96 (P) Rover 416i Saloon 3dr Man. Dark red met, s/roof, front elec windows, c/locking, 8,000 m £10,450
 96 (N) Rover 420 GSi Tourer 5dr Estate Man BRG, s/roof, alloy wheels, elec windows, half black leather, 15,700 m £11,495
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 96 (P) Rover 620 SDi 4dr DSL, Bright red, s/roof, elec/win, 10,000 m £11,450

4x4s

96 (P) Range Rover 4.6 HSE 5dr, Dark green met, brown leather, climate control, cruise control, sunroof, e/windows, etc, 12,000 m £39,995
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 93 (L) Range Rover Vogue SE 5dr, Auto, Olive Green met, s/roof, a/c, leather interior, elec win, 42,500 m £17,995
 95 (N) Land Rover Discovery V8 Auto, Dark Green met, elec win, 28,000 m £17,995
 96 (P) Land Rover Discovery 5dr Man TDI, Dark green silver met, elec windows, 2,100 miles £18,995
 94 (M) Rover Vogue TD 5dr Man. Bronze met, s/roof, bull bars, tow bar, 38,000 m £6,995
 96 (N) Subaru Impreza 2.0 4WD Turbo 5dr, Dark green met, elec windows, alloy wheels, PAS, c/locking, 6,800 m £16,250

FORDS

93 (K) Ford Mondeo 1.6LX 5dr, Dark Blue, s/roof, elec. front win only 35,200 m £6,250
 94 (M) Ford Mondeo 2.0si 16V 5dr, Dark Green met, s/roof, alloys, boot spoiler, 53,000 m £7,994
 96 (N) Ford Mondeo GLX TD 5dr, Dark Blue met, s/roof, elec front win, 12,000 m £9,995
 95 (N) Ford Galaxy GLX V6 7 seat, Silver met, s/roof, 23,000 m £15,250
 976 (P) Ford Fiesta 1.3 LX 5dr Man Hatch, Dark Red met, s/roof, elec f/windows, del mileage only £8,995
 96 (N) Ford Mondeo LX 16V 5dr, Dark green met, s/roof, elec f/windows, 18,200 m £8,995
 97 (P) Ford Mondeo 2.4 24v 4dr Man, Dark green met, e/sunroof, elec f/windows, boot spoiler, 6,000 m £10,995
 95 (M) Mondeo 1.8 LX 16V 5dr Man Hatch, Silver met, s/roof, elec f/windows, tow bar, 37,000 m £7,995

DAEWOO

96 (P) Daewoo Espero 2.0 Cdxl, Mauve grey metallic, elec s/roof, alloys, a/c, 12,000 m £8,995
 96 (P) Daewoo Nexia 1.5 GLXi 5dr, Auto, Bright Red, a/c, PAS, s/roof, £8,995
 96 (P) Nexia 1.5 GL Xi 5dr, Cashmere beige, 9,859 m £8,495

96 (P) Nexia 1.5 GLXi 3dr, Ruby red, 4,679 m £8,395
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 95 (M) Honda Civic Coupe 1.5 2dr Man, Bright red, 13,000 m £7,995
 94 (M) Honda Accord 2.3L SR 4dr Auto, Dark grey met, black leather, alloy wheels, a/cond, s/roof, cruise control, elec s/roof, 37,000 m £11,400

AUDI

94 (L) Audi 80 S2 Turbo 4WD, Dark Green met, black leather int, s/roof, roof bars, alloys, elec win, a/c, 46,200 m £19,250
 94 (M) Audi 80 1.9 TDI 4dr Man, Bright red, s/roof, FSH, 1 owner, 123,000 m £7,495

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 96 (N) Daihatsu 1.3 GLXi 5dr Man, Lilac met, p/steering, c/locking, 7,000 m £7,950
 95 (M) BMW 316i 5dr Man, White, s/roof, elec front win, FSH, 1 owner, 86,000 m £9,450
 92 (J) Mercedes 5500 4dr Saloon, Gold met, beige leather interior, climate control, cruise control, elec seats, windows and s/roof, alloy wheels, 67,000 m £27,995
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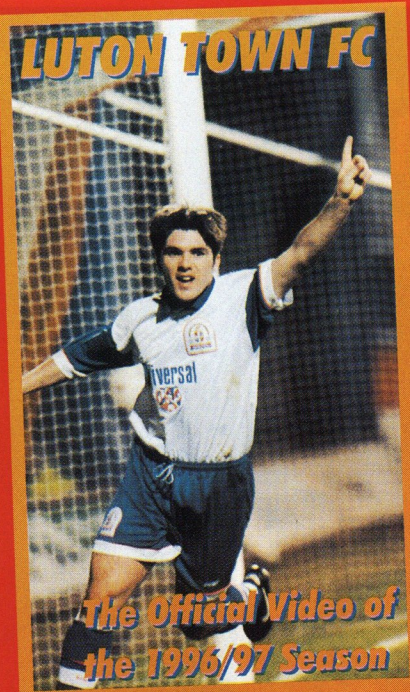
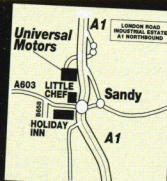
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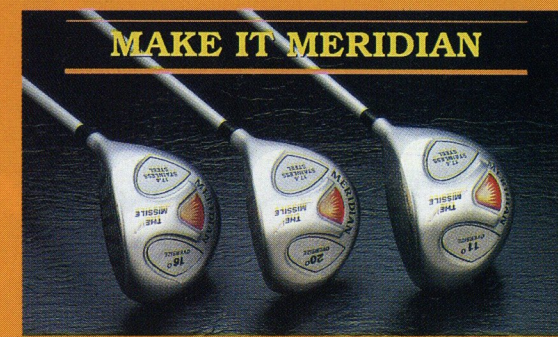
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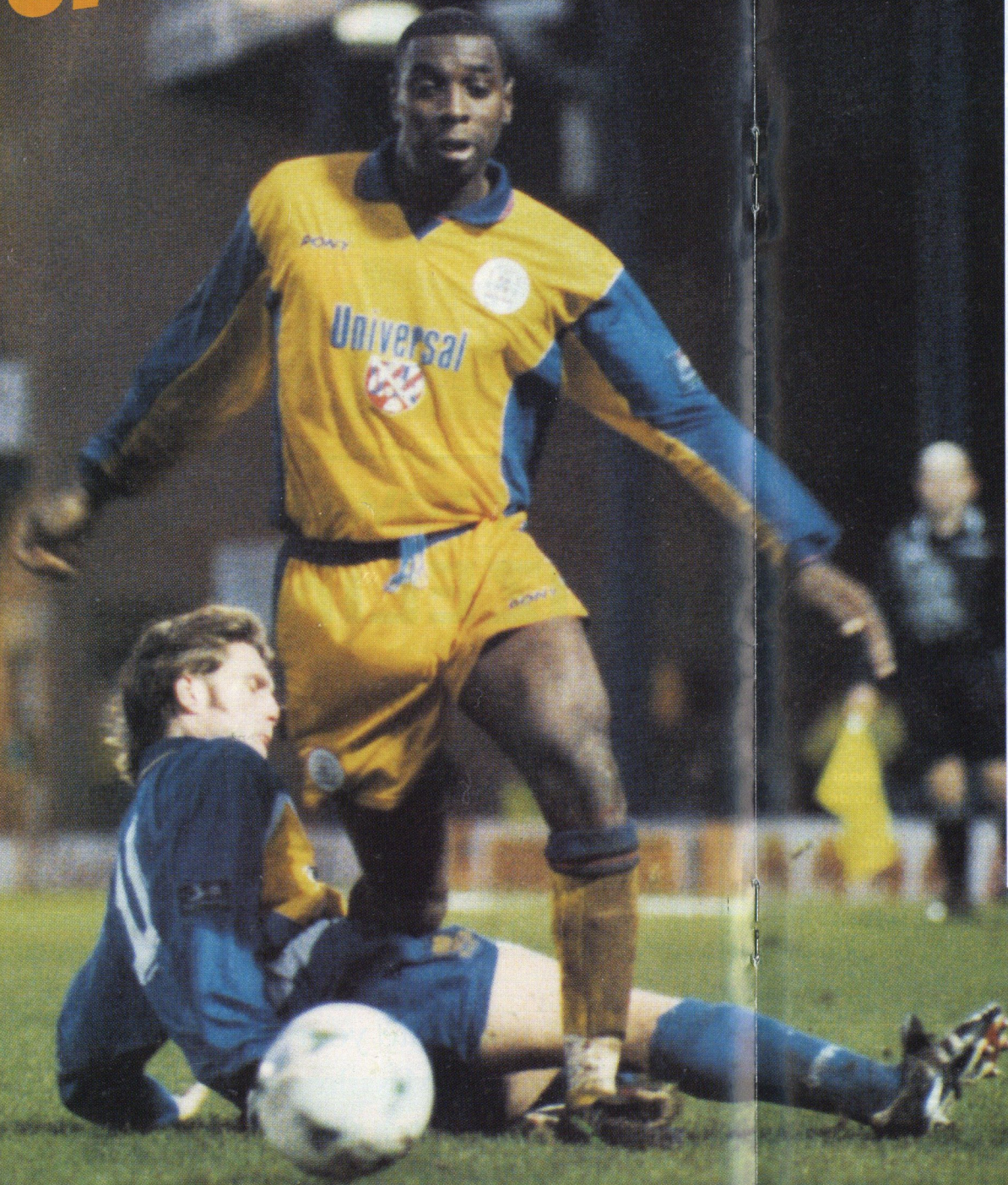
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Player Profile



MITCHELL THOMAS

Date of Birth: 2.10.65

Previous Clubs: Tottenham, West Ham

Joined Luton: March 1994 (from West Ham - following loan spell)

The former England Under-21 international made over 100 appearances for Luton before moving to Spurs, shortly after David Pleat, in 1986.

He played in the 1987 FA Cup Final, and later moved to West Ham. He was on loan at Luton in the 1993/94 season before a permanent free transfer move, and after missing the start of the season through suspension was a regular at left-back in the 1994/95 campaign.

Recalled by new manager Lennie Lawrence in December 1995, and responded with an ever-present record until the end of the season. Was regular left-back during the 96/97 campaign, but underwent a hernia operation just after the start of the 97/98 campaign.

Most memorable game: "For Luton it would have to be the 1985 FA Cup semi-final against Everton at Villa Park, whilst for Tottenham the FA Cup Final against Coventry in 1987 obviously stands out."

Game I'd prefer to forget: "Although we won the game, I would prefer to forget the 1985 FA Cup quarter-final against Millwall at Kenilworth Road - because of events off the field. I would also prefer to forget Tottenham's FA Cup defeat at Port Vale in the late 1980s."

Which present-day player do you admire most? "Ian Wright, for his enthusiasm and desire to be at the top at the age of 34 - and to want to stay there."

Premiership 'Dream Team': David Seaman; Fernando Nelson, Gary Pallister, Tony Adams, Graeme Le Saux; David Beckham, Emmanuel Petit, Patrick Viera, Ryan Giggs; Ian Wright, Dennis Bergkamp.

Greatest sporting achievement away from football: "Being chosen to run for Bedfordshire at cross-country when I was 13."

State of the game: "I wish referees would give everyone the same advantage whether they are large or small clubs. We have plenty of quality players already in this country, but the influx of foreign stars has really increased interest in the game, and that can only be good for football."

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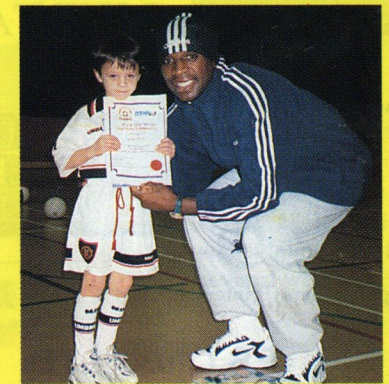
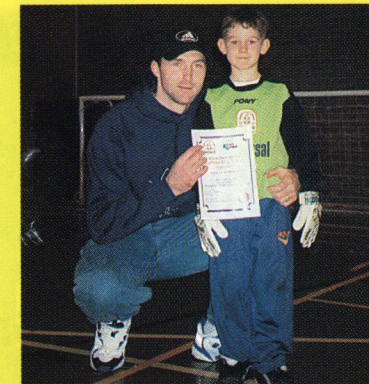
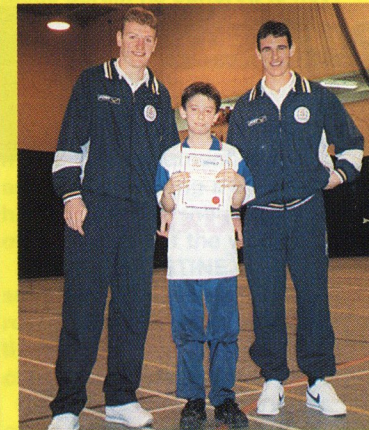
Town U12s bowled over!



ABOVE: The Luton Town FC Under 12s enjoyed their Christmas visit to the Megabowl Centre in Dunstable during the holiday period.

Thanks to Centre Manager Mark Read-Jones for organising the trip.

CHRISTMAS COACHING COURSES



Many thanks to the hundreds of youngsters who attended our Christmas courses in Luton, Dunstable, Bletchley, Leighton Buzzard and Houghton Regis. Some of the groups are pictured, together with presentations by Town players such as Ian Feuer, Kelvin Davis, Mitchell Thomas, Gary Doherty and Matthew Spring.



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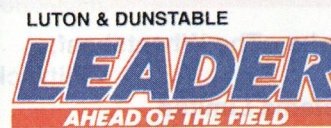
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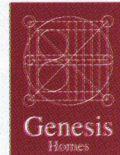
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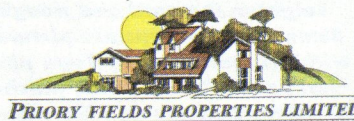


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INJURY UPDATE

Reserve postponement delays trio's return

A trio of Town players will have to wait until Tuesday's re-arranged reserve team game against Oxford to make their return from injury.

PHIL GRAY (back), MARVIN JOHNSON (knee) and PAUL SHOWLER (hernia) were all due to have played in Wednesday's match against Tottenham at Hitchin, but a waterlogged pitch at Top Field meant that game was postponed.

Both Phil Gray and Marvin Johnson have attended Lilleshall recently, but both have returned to full training.

Paul Showler's hernia operation was the latest in a number of injuries this season, but hopefully he too is on the road to recovery.

There is better news of STUART DOUGLAS who was stretched off against Bristol Rovers. The ankle sprain he suffered is not as bad as first feared, and he should resume training in a couple of weeks.

JULIAN JAMES is still receiving treatment for his medial knee ligament injury, and is still wearing a brace on his leg, but that should come off by the end of the week.

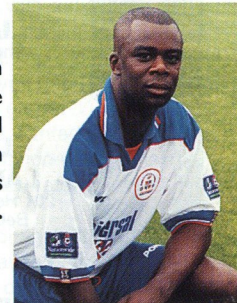
STEVE AUGUSTINE, who suffered a broken leg in a reserve match, was due to see the specialist on Wednesday to check on his progress.

Over the Christmas period, other than a few knocks, we didn't suffer with injuries, and MITCHELL THOMAS and DARREN PATTERSON have both come through matches without any problems after lengthy injury absences.

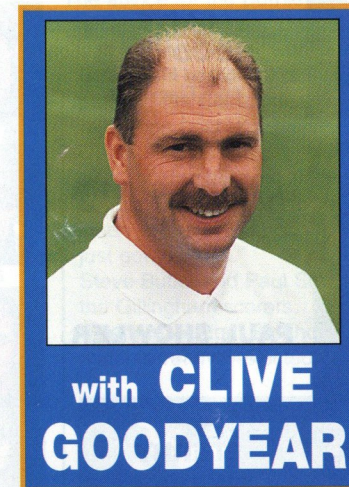
Unfortunately, one of our junior players, youth team goalkeeper DANIEL TATE, suffered a dislocated shoulder in training which means he will miss the FA Youth Cup tie against Tottenham.



LEFT: Phil Gray - will hopefully resume in the reserves this week.



RIGHT: Marvin Johnson - like Gray will hopefully return in the reserves this week.



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LEFT: Julian James - suffered a knee injury in the opening minutes at Chesterfield, which will sideline him for several weeks.

Win tickets for YOUR junior team

FOR the third season in succession, the Loyal Luton Supporters Club are once again sponsoring the Young Team of the Month Award.

Having received a grant from NatWest Bank as part of the bank's Community Action Scheme, and through monies raised through the year, the supporters, in conjunction with Luton Town FC, have again funded the award.

The award is run on a monthly self-nomination basis, and is open to all teams, boys and girls, under the age of 16. Winners receive 15 tickets (13 children and two adults) for a chosen Luton home match.

Previous winners have included successful regional champions through to teams who have won their first point after two years of playing.

Anyone wanting to nominate their local youth, school, cubs or girls team, should send a letter to Simon Oxley, c/o LTFC, briefly explaining why they deserve to win one of the monthly awards. And remember, you only need to make one nomination. All remaining letters will be considered throughout the rest of the season.



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Lennie eyes promotion play-offs after 2-1 win

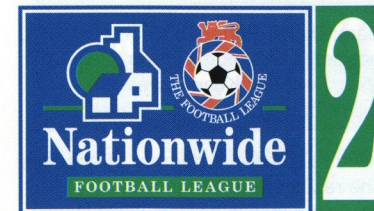
LUTON manager Lennie Lawrence set his sights on the promotion play-offs after last Saturday's 2-1 win at Southend.

The Hatters boss said: "I can't see Watford or Bristol City being caught, but a play-off position is not out of reach."

Luton made it seven away matches without defeat, but have won only three of 13 home games, and Lawrence added: "We have been gripped by fear playing in front of our own fans and we have to put that right."

Graham Alexander netted both Luton goals, either side of a Southend equaliser from Andy Thomson.

Shrimpers manager Alvin Martin said:



"We paid the penalty for bad defending."

Chris Waddle has been told to ditch the pretty stuff to avoid the drop into Division Three.

The advice for the Burnley player-boss came from former Tottenham colleague Guy Butters, who skipped Gillingham to a 2-0 victory which plunged the Clarets deeper into relegation trouble.

Defender Butters said: "Burnley were looking to knock the ball about but maybe that's not the way to do it when you're at the bottom. You've just got to battle."

Steve Butler and Paul Smith were the Gillingham scorers.

Meanwhile, Nigel Gleghorn, the midfield veteran rejected by Burnley,

is hoping for a new lease of life with Brentford.

His loan spell has been extended to the end of the month, and he helped the Bees to a point with a 0-0 draw at Chesterfield.

Gleghorn said: "I couldn't even get in Burnley's reserves and I am just taking it from game to game."

"Chris Waddle wanted to give the youngsters a chance which is fair enough, but I just want to play and I'm enjoying it here."

With Blackpool against Bristol City postponed because of the bad weather, those were the only three Division Two games to take place last Saturday.

But a number of the division's sides were in FA Cup third round action.

Wigan lost 4-2 at Blackburn, with Oldham losing 1-0 at third division Cardiff.

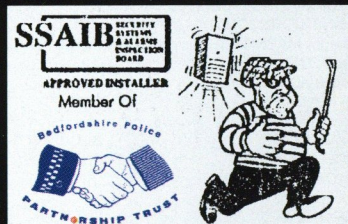
Wrexham earned a replay against Wimbledon, with Bristol Rovers held 1-1 at home by Ipswich.

Grimsby beat first division Norwich 3-0 at Blundell Park, Northampton lost 4-0 at Leicester, Preston lost 2-1 at home to Stockport, and Watford drew 1-1 with Sheffield Wednesday. - *Simon Oxley.*

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ABOVE: Tony Thorpe has just scored to put Luton 2-0 in front at Millwall, to the obvious disappointment of former team-mate Kim Grant.

RESERVES AND YOUTH ROUND-UP



THE Town's reserve side rounded off 1997 with a 2-1 win at Crystal Palace on December 16.

Liam George was on the scoresheet for the Hatters, along with an own goal, with Darren Patterson continuing his comeback from injury against his former club.

Team: Davis, Patterson, Harvey, Evers, Omogbehin, Willmott, Spring, George, Davies, Fotiadis, Kean (Sweeney).

Subs not used: Doherty, Fraser.

There have been a number of changes to the reserve team fixture list.

The home match against West Ham due to be played on Tuesday, December 23, with a 2pm kick-off at Kenilworth Road, was postponed. At the time of writing, no new date has been fixed.

The away match against Swindon will now be played on Monday, March 16, kick-off 7.15pm.

We have also agreed to change our Combination match with Oxford from Tuesday, March 24, with a 7.15pm kick-off, to this Tuesday, January 13, with a noon kick-off at the Manor Ground.

This means the match at West Ham which was scheduled for the 13th has been postponed to a later date.

And the home match with Tottenham changed to Wednesday, January 7, with a 7pm kick-off at Hitchin, was also postponed this week.

The youth team have maintained their

top of the league position, and have progressed in the South East Counties League Cup, and have made a splendid start to their Times FA Youth Cup campaign with a 4-0 win at Coventry.

The League Cup progress came courtesy of a 4-2 win over Swindon.

Team: Tate, Lawes, Fraser, Clarke, Howe, Boyce, Scarlett, Cox, Kandol, McIndoe, Jerry.

Subs: Akurang, Ayres, McKoy.

In the next round of the South East Counties League Cup, Luton will be away to Watford at Vicarage Road. At the time of writing no date has been confirmed.

Following their semi-final place last

season, the youth team made a cracking start to this season's FA Youth Cup campaign with a 4-0 second round win at Coventry.

They were 3-0 in front at half-time with goals from Gary Doherty, Michael McIndoe and Emerson Boyce, with Matthew Spring adding number four in the 90th minute.

Team: Tate, Lawes, Fraser, Spring, Clarke, Boyce, Scarlett, Cox, Doherty, McIndoe, Moses.

Subs not used: Kandol, Ayres, McKoy.

In round three, Luton will be at home to Tottenham. This game will be at Kenilworth Road on Wednesday, January 14. The winners will be away to Crewe or Manchester City in round four.

The youth team have since recorded a draw and a win from two league matches against Bristol Rovers.

The 2-2 draw came at home, with Gary Doherty netting both goals.

Team: Tate, Fraser, Stirling (Boyce), Clarke, Ayres, Howe, Scarlett, Akurang (Kandol), Doherty, McIndoe, McKoy.

Sub not used: Jerry.

Prior to Christmas, they recorded a 1-0 away win, with Andre Scarlett scoring the only goal.

Team: Tate, Lawes, Fraser, Spring, Boyce, Ayres, Scarlett, Clarke, Kandol (Akurang), Doherty, Jerry.

Subs not used: Howe, McKoy.

The game against Wycombe on December 20 was postponed, and the Hatters youngsters were without a game last weekend.

AVON INSURANCE COMBINATION

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Arsenal	17	11	5	1	44	11	38
Tottenham	17	11	4	2	36	18	37
Charlton	14	9	3	2	33	11	30
Southampton	16	7	6	3	30	17	27
C Palace	15	9	0	6	26	22	27
Norwich	18	6	8	4	19	20	26
Wimbledon	16	7	4	5	22	13	25
Millwall	16	6	4	6	15	22	22
Portsmouth	16	5	5	6	20	18	20
Oxford	16	5	5	6	21	33	20
QPR	17	5	4	8	23	24	19
Ipswich	15	4	6	5	23	27	18
Watford	16	4	5	7	15	28	17
LUTON	15	4	4	7	20	24	16
Chelsea	18	3	6	9	23	35	15
Swindon	16	4	2	10	20	32	14
West Ham	15	4	2	9	17	31	14
Brighton	13	1	3	9	12	33	6

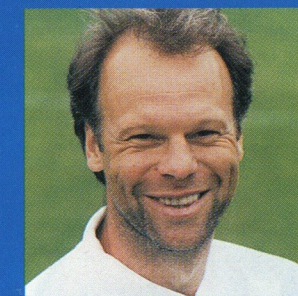
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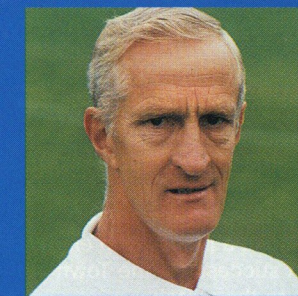
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Ian JONES	8		Marvin JOHNSON	2	
Richard HARVEY	10		Dwight MARSHALL	3	
Sean EVERS	13		Ian FEUER	2	
Gary DOHERTY	10	3	Steve AUGUSTINE	2 (1)	
Emerson BOYCE	6 (2)		Simon DAVIES	7	
Robert KEAN	15 (1)		Andrew FOTIADIS	5	2
Matthew SPRING	7 (3)	1	Stuart DOUGLAS	3 (1)	1
Andrew BARR	6	4	Mitchell THOMAS	5	
Liam GEORGE	8 (1)	6	Darren PATTERSON	3	
Terry SWEENEY	8 (2)		Phil GRAY	1	
Andre SCARLETT	(5)		Delroy MCKOY	1	
Michael McINDOE	2 (3)		Chris WILLMOTT	3 (2)	
Stuart FRASER	7 (3)		Tresor KANDOL	(1)	
Daniel TATE	1		Kelvin DAVIS	3	
Gavin McGOWAN	3	1	Steve DAVIS	1	1
Paul SHOWLER	2				
Alan WHITE	2				
Russell LAWES	3 (2)				
Colin OMOGBEHIN	7				
S QUINN	2				
Trevor PEAKE	2 (1)				
Richard CLARKE	1 (2)				
M BLOCK					

Wed Aug 13	OXFORD UTD	drew 1-1
Thu Aug 21	Queens Park R	drew 1-1
Thu Aug 28	MILLWALL	won 3-1
Wed Sep 10	Tottenham	lost 3-0
Wed Sep 17	CRYSTAL PAL	lost 2-0
Wed Sep 24	WATFORD	won 3-1
Wed Oct 15	CHARLTON	lost 4-1
Mon Oct 20	Chelsea	drew 0-0
Mon Oct 27	Norwich City	lost 1-0
Wed Nov 5	Wimbledon	lost 2-0
Mon Nov 10	IPSWICH T	lost 3-0
Wed Nov 19	Southampton	drew 1-1
Mon Nov 24	Arsenal	lost 4-1
Thu Dec 4	Millwall	won 3-0
Mon Dec 8	SWINDON T	won 6-0
Tue Dec 16	Crystal Palace	won 2-1
Tue Jan 13	Oxford	12 noon
Wed Jan 21	Watford	7.30pm
Mon Jan 26	BRIGHTON	7pm*
Wed Feb 4	Charlton	2pm
Mon Feb 9	PORTSMOUTH	7pm*
Mon Feb 16	ARSENAL	7pm*
Wed Feb 25	QPR	2pm
Wed Mar 4	WIMBLEDON	2pm
Wed Mar 11	NORWICH	2pm
Mon Mar 16	Swindon	7.15pm
Wed Apr 1	SOUTHAMPTON	2pm
Wed Apr 8	Portsmouth	7pm
Wed Apr 15	Ipswich Town	7pm
Wed Apr 22	CHELSEA	2pm
TBA	Brighton	
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Sat Aug 9	WYCOMBE W	lost 1-0	Sat Dec 6	BRISTOL ROVERS	drew 2-2
Sat Aug 16	Reading	won 6-0	Sat Dec 13	Bristol Rovers	won 1-0
Tue Aug 19	Ipswich (SJFC Pre)	won 1-0	Sat Dec 20	Wycombe W	postponed
Sat Aug 23	Swindon Town	won 4-2			
Sat Aug 30	OXFORD UTD	won 5-1	Sat Jan 10	SWINDON TOWN	11am
			Sat Jan 17	OxfordUnited	
Fri Sep 5	Barnet	won 4-2	Sat Jan 24	BARNET	11am
Tue Sep 9	C PALACE (SJFC1)	lost 1-0	Sat Jan 31	Brighton	
Sat Sep 13	Southend (SECLC1)	won 1-0			
Sat Sep 20	BRIGHTON	won 8-1	Sat Feb 7	BRISTOL CITY	11am
Sat Sep 27	Bristol City	drew 2-2	Sat Feb 14	Brentford	
			Sat Feb 21	SOUTHAMPTON	11am
			Sat Feb 28	Tottenham	
Sat Oct 4	BRENTFORD	lost 1-0			
Sat Oct 11	Southampton	won 3-2	Sat Mar 14	Wimbledon	
Sat Oct 18	Arsenal (SECLC2)	won 2-0	Sat Mar 21	Colchester	
Sat Oct 25	TOTTENHAM	won 1-0	Sat Mar 28	BOURNEMOUTH	11am
			Sat Apr 4	WIMBLEDON	11am
Sat Nov 1	READING	won 4-2			
Sat Nov 15	COLCHESTER	won 3-2			
Sat Nov 22	SWINDON (SECLC3)	won 4-2			
Sat Nov 29	Bournemouth	drew 1-1			
Wed Dec 3	Coventry (FAYC2)	won 4-0			

Games in caps denote HOME matches. Home league matches at Luton Rugby Club.

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Oxford Utd	17	9	1	7	37	42	28
Southampton	16	8	2	6	36	28	26
Wimbledon	15	7	3	5	32	30	24
Barnet	17	6	4	7	31	34	22
Wycombe	14	5	5	4	23	16	20
Swindon	14	6	2	6	27	24	20
Colchester	15	5	5	5	24	24	20
Tottenham	16	6	2	8	23	31	20
Bristol R	17	4	4	9	32	37	16
Reading	15	3	4	8	19	29	13
Bournemouth	16	2	5	9	21	38	11
Brighton	14	2	3	9	16	37	9

League table as at December 20, 1997

	LGE APPS	G	CUP APPS	G
Daniel TATE	15		6	
Russell LAWES	10 (1)		6	
Stuart FRASER	10	1	6	
Matthew SPRING	6	4	4	1
Emerson BOYCE	9 (3)	3	4	1
James AYRES	11		1	
Andre SCARLETT	15	5	5	
Clifford AKURANG	6 (2)	3	2 (1)	1
Gary DOHERTY	4 (1)	3	2	1
Richard CLARKE	14 (1)		6	
Delroy MCKOY	7 (4)	1	2 (1)	2
Darren HOWE	5 (1)		2 (1)	
C DREW	(1)			
Michael McINDOE	12 (1)	3	6	1
Jimmy COX	9	6	5	
Tresor KANDOL	10 (2)	11	3 (1)	
Moses JERRY	10 (3)	4	4	
J STIRLING	6		1 (1)	
J HARRINGTON	1 (4)		(1)	
S ROBERT	2 (2)		1	
A MINTON	1			
C GREGORY	1			
R MORAN	2 (2)			

YOUTH TEAM 1997/98

LEAGUE AND CUP APPEARANCES & SCORERS

Up to and including December 13, 1997

LUTON Town FC require landladies on a permanent and/or part-time basis for our YTS players.

We are ideally looking for families, in Luton, with an interest in football, who have room available for one of our youngsters, either on a permanent (seven days a week) basis, or on a temporary basis (for example in school holidays).

Anyone interested should contact Youth Development Officer Paul Lowe on (01582) 411622.

Those were the days!

TUCKED away in the programme for the recent Northampton game was a piece welcoming the son of Joe Rennie, a player who enjoyed modest success for the Town in the 1930's, to the match.

A mention was also made of Joe's illustrious brother Andy who was the scourge of Third Division defences for a ten year period before the War and who, on one occasion, was the top scorer over a season in the Football League.

Andy Rennie was born in Baillieston, Glasgow in 1901 and played his early football for Paisley Waverley and Kilwinning Rangers where he came to the attention of Luton trainer Billy Barr who recommended him for trials at Kenilworth Road in December 1925.

Originally a goalkeeper, Andy had made the switch, with some success, to centre half and it was in that

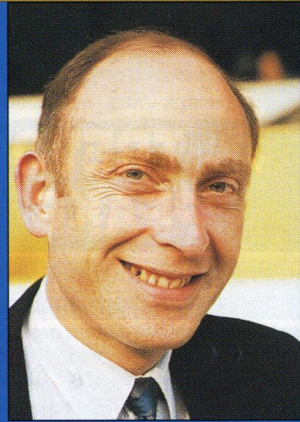
position that he made his debut for the Town against Millwall Reserves at Kenilworth Road just before Christmas 1925.

He was such a success that his retention was never in doubt and he signed professional forms long before his four week trial was up.

After a good grounding with the reserves a full League debut came his way, at centre half, in a 4-1 win against Swindon at Kenilworth Road in February 1926 and he retained his place until the end of he season.

He made 35 appearances, all at centre half, in the following campaign scoring his first goal in the process and then early in 1927/28 when we were struggling to find a suitable centre forward, following the departure of Jimmy Thompson to Chelsea, Andy was asked to have a go in that position and the rest, as they say, is history.

Andy scored in his first game as centre forward and went on to become the club's top marksman that



by **ROGER WASH**

season with 24. Just to show he was just warming up, he notched 43 goals in 1928/29, almost half the Town's total

that season, including five against luckless Gillingham who were thrashed 8-0 at Kenilworth Road. This feat meant that he proudly led the list of leading goalscorers in the country that season alongside Halliday of Sunderland and McConnell of Carlisle.

The following season was started in the same vein and included a hat trick at Watford as we trounced the Hornets 4-0 (we can do it as well!). But in a 2-2 draw at Torquay at the end of October, Andy was badly injured as the result of a bad foul and he was on the injured list for almost four months - but still managed to end up as the Town's top scorer for that campaign.

It was generally reckoned that Andy never truly recovered from that injury

with the result that he was eventually moved over to inside left where his passing abilities came to the fore and he set up a good number of chances for the new owners of the number nine shirt including Tom Tait and, in later years, Jack Ball.

Despite all this Andy was still top scorer in 1930/31 and again in 1933/34 to show that he still had his shooting boots on.

His left foot drives were legendary and, according to my late grandfather, he used to "swing his leg from the hip" before connecting with the ball.

Because of his goalscoring prowess he suffered unfairly at the hands of a good many defenders and although he showed a quick temper, earning him the nickname 'Ratty' Rennie, he was only sent off once during his career.

On that particular occasion he said afterwards, "He (the defender) dared me to pull his nose, so I did". Obviously 'pull' and 'thump' had the same meaning pre War!



ABOVE: Andy Rennie bangs in another goal for the Hatters.

Following a 1-0 defeat at Reading in December 1934 Andy lost his place to Fred Roberts and at the end of that campaign he was granted a free transfer. He had played in a total of 385 games for the Town, in all competitions, scoring 184 goals which would have made him a multi- million pound player today.

Trials followed at both Walsall and Newport which came to nothing and he decided to hang up his boots and take a job at J.W.Green's brewery in Luton.

Three years later Andy was admitted to the Bute (St Mary's) Hospital in Luton for a routine hernia

operation. The operation was a success but complications set in and Andy died from pneumonia on 5th September 1938 at the young age of 37 leaving a widow and two small children.

Tributes for Andy poured in following his death and 'Crusader' of the 'Luton News' gave a couple of instances of his generosity which included handing over a week's wages to a wizened old lady who was scouring the gutters in Merthyr and paying the train fare from Exeter to London for some other unfortunate.

5 YEARS AGO

9/1/93: After a run of three games without defeat we went down 2-1 at St Andrews, Birmingham. Ceri Hughes scored the sole Luton goal in front of a crowd of 9,601.

10 YEARS AGO

9/1/88: It was FA Cup day, and in a third round tie we had to travel to deepest Hartlepool where we had never won before. Goals from Micky Weir and Darron McDonough, however, enabled us to scrape through 2-1 in front of a partisan crowd of 6,187.

15 YEARS AGO

8/1/83: FA Cup time again, and on this occasion a home tie with Peterborough. We won through rather easily in the end following goals from Brian Horton, Ricky Hill and Paul Walsh who secured the 3-0 victory.

20 YEARS AGO

7/1/78: In the FA Cup a cracker from Lil Fuccillo earned a 1-1 draw at home to Oldham in front of a crowd of 9,851. We won through 2-1 in the replay to earn a fourth round tie at Millwall.



You need hands..... Graham Alexander and Millwall's Paul Sturgess demonstrate.

Tony Thorpe, who took his season's tally to 13 with Luton's second, takes on the Lions' defence.

Paul McLaren tackles Millwall's Kenny Brown (2).

The Town players applaud the travelling faithful at the final whistle, as Steve Davis (5) shakes hands with ex-Hatter Kim Grant.



ACTION STATIONS

Millwall 0 Luton Town 2

(Davis, Thorpe)

Sunday, December 28, 1997 - Nationwide League Division Two

Attendance: 7,461

Pictures by Gareth Owen



FORTHCOMING MATCHES IN NATIONWIDE LEAGUE DIVISION TWO

Saturday, January 10
Bournemouth v Northampton
Brentford v Millwall
Bristol City v Grimsby
Burnley v Watford
Carlisle v Southend
LUTON v Blackpool
Plymouth v Bristol Rovers
Preston v Gillingham
Walsall v Chesterfield
Wrexham v Fulham
Wycombe v Wigan
York v Oldham

Saturday, January 17
Blackpool v Bournemouth
Bristol R v Burnley
Chesterfield v Plymouth
Fulham v Wycombe
Gillingham v York
Grimsby v Brentford
Millwall v Wrexham
Northampton v Carlisle
Oldham v LUTON
Southend v Walsall
Watford v Preston
Wigan v Bristol City

Saturday, January 24 (subject to change due to FA Cup fourth round)
Bournemouth v Oldham
Brentford v Watford
Bristol City v Northampton
Burnley v Southend
Carlisle v Bristol Rovers
LUTON v Fulham
Plymouth v Wigan
Preston v Chesterfield
Walsall v Gillingham
Wrexham v Grimsby
Wycombe v Blackpool
York v Millwall

Saturday, January 31
Blackpool v Wigan
Brentford v Plymouth
Bristol City v Wrexham
Burnley v York
Carlisle v Wycombe
Chesterfield v Watford
Gillingham v Bristol Rovers
Grimsby v Fulham
LUTON v Bournemouth
Northampton v Oldham
Southend v Millwall
Walsall v Preston

Trust publish survey on disabled facilities

THE Football Trust, in conjunction with McDonald's Restaurants Ltd, has published the results of a national survey of facilities for supporters with disabilities at FA Premier League, Football League and Scottish Premier Division grounds.

The research scheme was launched in February of last year with the aim of highlighting those clubs who have provided the highest standards of facilities for their disabled supporters.

The aims were to look at how facilities have improved since the last survey of this nature was carried out in 1992 and what improvements are still required.

The report assesses the nature and extent of facilities for supporters with

disabilities and highlights examples of good practice at professional clubs.

In conjunction with the survey the Football Trust launched their "National Guide to Disabled Football Supporters Facilities", a pocket size club-by-club guide to facilities.

The research and the guide provides an invaluable and enlightening source of information on the facilities currently on offer at grounds throughout the country.

Copies of the survey and the national guide are available free of charge by writing to: Philip French, Press and Public Affairs Manager, The Football Trust, Walkden House, 10 Melton Street, London NW1 2EB.



ABOVE: You've got to hand it to them! David Oldfield (once on loan at Millwall) and Ian Feuer (who made his Hatters debut at the New Den) celebrate the 2-0 win over the Lions.

League's early warning procedure

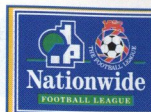
WITH the winter weather yet to cause any major disruption, the Football League have once again set out their early warning procedure for the inspection of pitches.

In an effort to prevent unnecessary inconvenience to the travelling clubs and their supporters, League clubs are instructed to liaise closely to ascertain the travelling arrangements of the visitors.

Home clubs are also asked to contact the

match referee for his travel details and any plans to stay overnight in order that he can be reached at short notice.

Clubs can also request referees to travel the day before the match if an early pitch inspection is necessary. In the event that the match referee is unable to travel early to the ground, the Football League would call in a local official to advise them on the condition of the playing surface.



Division 2 Stats

the 97/98 season

Compiled by Football Information Services Tel : 0151-632-5679

how teams have scored

see key below	Hd	CR	Ob	V	FK	P	lb	OG
Bournemouth	5	3	3	7	1	3	9	0
Blackpool	8	7	4	7	0	1	7	0
Brentford	4	4	5	2	0	2	9	0
Bristol City	9	6	3	3	3	6	13	1
Bristol Rovers	8	2	3	3	1	3	17	0
Burnley	7	7	2	3	0	1	3	0
Carlisle	7	4	4	2	0	3	9	0
Chesterfield	6	6	1	2	0	2	6	0
Fulham	7	5	2	3	0	0	10	3
Gillingham	3	2	3	1	0	4	18	1
Grimsby	4	5	1	5	2	4	10	0
Luton	7	2	3	1	1	0	15	0
Millwall	8	5	5	1	1	0	8	1
Northampton	5	3	1	6	0	4	10	1
Oldham	9	8	2	8	0	1	9	1
Plymouth	8	6	5	2	0	2	7	0
Preston	6	4	4	3	2	1	10	1
Southend	3	4	7	5	0	1	9	1
Walsall	6	3	3	5	0	1	8	0
Watford	7	1	5	4	2	2	18	0
Wigan	11	6	5	3	1	2	8	0
Wrexham	5	4	4	1	2	2	13	0
Wycombe	4	5	4	4	0	3	11	1
York	4	1	10	2	1	3	11	0

when teams have scored

mins into match	0-15	16-30	31-45	46-60	61-75	76-90
Bournemouth	3	3	4	3	8	10
Blackpool	3	4	8	5	5	9
Brentford	4	1	5	3	3	10
Bristol City	5	7	9	10	8	5
Bristol Rovers	5	9	5	7	3	8
Burnley	4	6	0	3	6	4
Carlisle	5	4	3	4	3	10
Chesterfield	3	0	4	7	2	7
Fulham	4	2	4	7	5	8
Gillingham	4	1	5	8	5	9
Grimsby	4	7	3	4	6	7
Luton	3	4	5	4	6	7
Millwall	3	2	2	6	10	6
Northampton	7	2	7	8	4	2
Oldham	5	6	6	9	7	5
Plymouth	4	5	7	6	3	5
Preston	3	4	2	9	8	5
Southend	5	10	5	3	2	5
Walsall	1	5	3	1	7	9
Watford	8	3	5	6	10	7
Wigan	5	7	4	3	7	10
Wrexham	4	4	4	4	9	6
Wycombe	9	2	3	7	7	4
York	2	3	2	6	9	10

.. and how conceded

Hd	CR	Ob	V	FK	P	lb	OG	
Bournemouth	2	7	3	2	1	2	11	1
Blackpool	11	8	3	1	0	3	13	0
Brentford	4	10	6	4	0	0	17	2
Bristol City	3	4	2	3	0	1	6	1
Bristol Rovers	9	2	2	5	1	3	16	0
Burnley	11	3	7	2	2	2	9	0
Carlisle	10	8	6	6	2	2	9	0
Chesterfield	4	3	3	4	0	2	3	0
Fulham	9	4	5	1	0	2	5	0
Gillingham	3	4	4	4	1	3	18	0
Grimsby	2	4	1	3	1	0	8	0
Luton	3	3	4	7	0	4	16	1
Millwall	8	1	5	3	1	2	10	0
Northampton	4	6	0	3	0	0	8	0
Oldham	7	4	3	3	0	3	9	1
Plymouth	5	3	6	5	2	3	9	3
Preston	4	5	5	4	0	2	7	0
Southend	6	4	6	9	3	3	16	1
Walsall	3	6	4	1	0	1	13	1
Watford	5	2	1	1	0	1	6	0
Wigan	10	2	3	3	1	5	13	0
Wrexham	6	2	3	5	2	2	7	0
Wycombe	14	5	4	2	0	4	7	0
York	8	3	3	2	0	1	12	0

Hd=Header CR=Shot inside 6 yards Ob=Shot outside area V=Volley FK=Direct Free Kick P=Penalty lb=Shot inside area OG=Own Goal

Current Form Table

Index in the table below reflects the league position of the opposition in the 6 games. ie the higher the position, the higher the index.

	W	D	L	F	A	Pts	Indx	Sequence
Grimsby	4	2	0	10	1	14	46%	WDWDDW
Bristol City	4	1	1	12	4	13	59%	LWDDWW
Bristol Rovers	4	0	2	12	13	12	43%	WWWLLW
Wigan	3	1	2	12	6	10	38%	LDWWLL
Fulham	3	1	2	8	7	10	28%	WWWLDD
Walsall	3	1	2	7	6	10	78%	LLDWWW
Watford	2	4	0	6	4	10	46%	DDWDDW
Luton	2	3	1	10	9	9	59%	WWDLDD
Oldham	2	3	1	8	5	9	28%	DDLWDD
Wycombe	2	3	1	5	4	9	67%	WDLWDD
Southend	2	2	2	12	12	8	38%	LLDDWW
Gillingham	2	2	2	8	9	8	25%	WWLDDL
Northampton	2	2	2	8	8	8	37%	WDWLDL
Preston	2	1	3	9	10	7	63%	LDLWLW
York	1	4	1	7	7	7	50%	DDDWDL
Carlisle	2	1	3	6	8	7	67%	WDLWLL
Wrexham	1	4	1	6	6	7	51%	WDDLDD
Brentford	1	3	2	6	10	6	43%	DLDLWD
Bournemouth	1	2	3	9	9	5	57%	LWLLDD
Blackpool	1	2	3	6	9	5	28%	LDWLDD
Plymouth	1	2	3	6	9	5	76%	DLLWDL
Chesterfield	0	5	1	1	2	5	46%	DDDLDD
Burnley	1	1	4	3	9	4	59%	LDLWLL
Millwall	1	0	5	3	12	3	40%	LLWLLL

.. various Div 2 stats ..

players used includes those who have left the club	Plyrs used	goals for	goals agt	clean sheets	low and high position is taken after 4 games played		Plyrs used	goals for	goals agt	clean sheets	low pos.	high pos.	
					low	high							
Bournemouth	22	31	29	8	14	4	Millwall	27	29	30	6	13	3
Blackpool	27	34	39	5	17	7	Northampton	27	30	21	9	7	2
Brentford	31	26	43	6	24	11	Oldham	27	38	30	6	13	3
Bristol City	24	44	20	9	19	2	Plymouth	22	30	36	5	24	17
Bristol Rovers	24	37	38	6	14	3	Preston	21	31	27	7	17	3
Burnley	28	23	36	5	24	18	Southend	28	30	48	4	24	13
Carlisle	29	29	43	4	24	16	Walsall	22	26	29	9	22	12
Chesterfield	25	23	19	13	14	2	Watford	24	39	16	11	1	1
Fulham	30	30	26	8	18	6	Wigan	27	36	37	4	21	6
Gillingham	27	32	37	6	17	3	Wrexham	23	31	27	7	20	7
Grimsby	21	31	19	11	23	4	Wycombe	20	32	36	7	18	3
Luton	31	29	38	7	23	16	York	24	32	29	7	17	3

Campaign Records

Highest/Lowest Gates
16,128 Bristol City v Millwall 26-Dec
2,039 Wrexham v Southend 21-Oct

Highest Aggregate Scores
Oldham 4-4 Bristol Rovers 27-Sep
Southend 4-4 York 19-Dec
Bristol Rovers 5-3 Bournemouth 28-Dec

Biggest Home Win
Grimsby 5-1 Southend 1-Nov
Northampton 4-0 Brentford 18-Nov
Wigan 4-0 Brentford 20-Dec
Bournemouth 4-0 Gillingham 26-Dec

Biggest Away Win
Luton 0-4 Watford 4-Oct
Bristol Rovers 0-4 Grimsby 12-Dec

Consecutive Wins
Bristol City 8

Games Unbeaten
Bristol City 15

Consecutive Defeats
Carlisle 5

Games without a Win
Burnley, Gillingham 10

Current Sequences

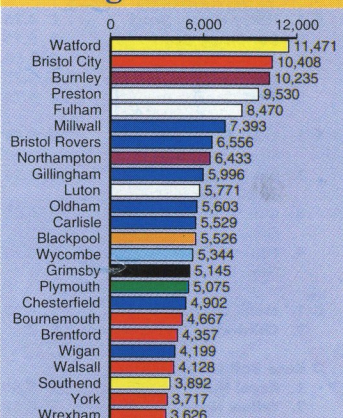
Consecutive Wins
Bristol Rovers, Fulham 3

Games Unbeaten
Watford 13

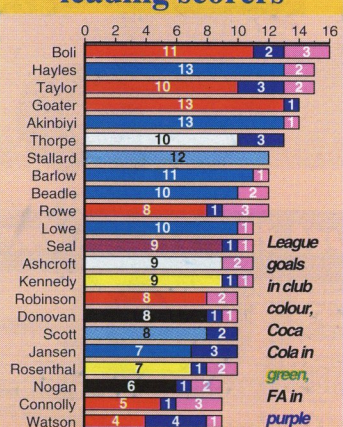
Consecutive Defeats
Millwall, Southend, Walsall 2

Games without a Win
Chesterfield 6

average attendances



leading scorers



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Unfortunately, John Smith, the club's Chief Executive at the time felt that reams of statistics would hinder the sale of the book and would only authorise a 'halfway house' version which subsequently left Town supporters thirsting for more.

Now finally a complete record style book has been published as Volume 10 in a series commissioned by the Association of Football Statisticians.

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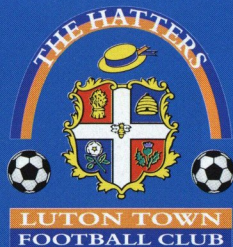
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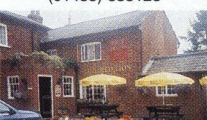


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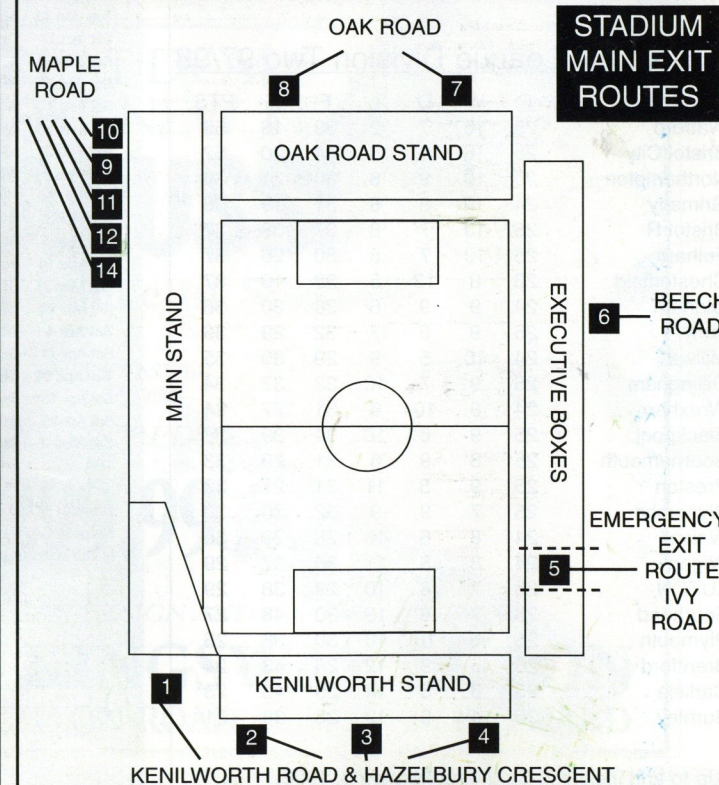
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IN the event of any emergencies at Luton Town Football Club, the emergency services and the club have agreed on an evacuation policy which is designed to:

- Ensure the safe and controlled evacuation of the ground.
- Ensure the dispersal of the crowd from the area to allow the emergency services to carry out their tasks.

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TEAM Statistics

1997/98 See page 39 for Division Two stats

LUTON TOWN 1997/98

PLAYER (figure in bracket = sub app.)	LGE APPS	LGE GLS	CUP APPS	CUP GLS	LTCF career apps (league & cup, incl subs) & goals, as at start 9/98
Nathan ABBEY			1		
Graham ALEXANDER	19	6	3		101 3g
Chris ALLEN	7	1			
Simon DAVIES	8 (5)	1	3 (2)		
Kelvin DAVIS	14				21 0g
Steve DAVIS	20	3	4	1	100 11g
Andy DIBBLE	1		2		
Gary DOHERTY	1 (3)		(1)		
Stuart DOUGLAS	5 (7)	1	3 (1)	1	20 1g
Sean EVERS	2 (4)		2		4 0g
Ian FEUER	10		2		98 0g
Andrew FOTIADIS	2 (5)		1		23 3g
Liam GEORGE	1		(2)		
Phil GRAY	8	1	1		67 26
Richard HARVEY	3 (1)		3 (1)		181 5g
Julian JAMES	15 (1)		2		309 14g
Marvin JOHNSON	10 (1)		3		289 6g
Robert KEAN	(1)				
Dwight MARSHALL	7 (4)	1	2		115 33g
Gavin MCGOWAN	6 (2)				2 0g
Paul McLAREN	23 (2)		5		44 1g
David OLDFIELD	24	4	5		125 21g
Darren PATTERSON	4		(1)		42 0g
Trevor PEAKE	(1)				201 0g
Paul SHOWLER	(1)				33 6g
Bryan SMALL	15				
Matthew SPRING	3 (2)		1		
Mitchell THOMAS	9 (1)		2		273 5g
Tony THORPE	21 (1)	10	3 (1)	3	110 41g
Gary WADDOCK	22 (1)		5		133 3g
Alan WHITE	15	1	2		

Nationwide League Division Two 97/98

	P	W	D	L	F	A	PTS
Watford	25	16	7	2	39	16	55
Bristol City	25	16	4	5	44	20	52
Northampton	25	10	9	6	30	21	39
Grimsby	24	10	8	6	31	19	38
Bristol R	25	10	7	8	37	38	37
Fulham	25	10	7	8	30	26	37
Chesterfield	26	8	13	5	23	19	37
Oldham	24	9	9	6	38	30	36
York	25	9	9	7	32	29	36
Millwall	24	10	5	9	29	30	35
Gillingham	26	9	7	10	32	37	34
Wrexham	24	8	10	6	31	27	34
Blackpool	25	9	6	10	34	39	33
Bournemouth	25	8	9	8	31	29	33
Preston	25	9	5	11	31	27	32
Wycombe	25	7	9	9	32	36	30
Walsall	24	8	6	10	26	29	30
Wigan	24	8	5	11	36	37	29
LUTON	25	7	8	10	29	38	29
Southend	26	7	6	13	30	48	27
Plymouth	25	5	10	10	30	36	25
Brentford	26	5	9	12	26	43	24
Carlisle	25	6	5	14	29	43	23
Burnley	25	4	9	12	23	36	21

Up to and including Saturday, January 3, 1998.

DATE	OPPONENTS	F-A	ATT	POS	GK	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14
Sat Aug 9	Blackpool	0-1	6,547	-	Feuer	McGowan	Thomas	Waddock	S.Davis	Johnson	McLaren	Alexander	Oldfield	Thorpe	(Davies)	(Douglas)	Evers	Harvey
Tue Aug 12	Colchester Utd CCC1 (1)	1-0	2,840	-	Feuer	Douglas	Thomas	Waddock	S.Davis	Johnson	McLaren	Alexander	(Oldfield)	THORPE	Davies	Kean	(Harvey)	Evers
Mon Aug 18	SOUTHEND UTD	1-0	5,140	12	Feuer	James	Thomas	Waddock	S.Davis	Johnson	Davies	Alexander	(Fotiadis)	(Thorpe)	Marshall	(DOUGLAS)(McLaren)	Harvey	Harvey
Sat Aug 23	Fulham	0-0	8,142	15	K.Davis	James	Thomas	Waddock	S.Davis	Johnson	(Davies)	(Alexander)	Oldfield	(Douglas)	Marshall	(McGowan)	(Harvey)	(McLaren)
Tue Aug 26	COLCHESTER UTD CCC1 (2)	1-1	2,816	-	Abbey	James	Thomas	Waddock	S.Davis	Johnson	(Davies)	McLaren	Oldfield	THORPE	Marshall	(Douglas)	Showler	Evers
Sat Aug 30	OLDHAM ATHLETIC	1-1	5,404	12	K.Davis	(James)	Thomas	Waddock	S.Davis	Johnson	(Davies)	McLaren	Oldfield	THORPE	(Marshall)	(Douglas)	(Showler)	(McGowan)
Tue Sep 2	MILLWALL	0-2	5,781	15	K.Davis	(James)	McGowan	Waddock	S.Davis	Johnson	McLaren	(Alexander)	Oldfield	Thorpe	(Marshall)	(Douglas)	(Doherty)	(Evers)
Tue Sep 9	Northampton Town	0-1	7,246	18	K. Davis	McGowan	Small	Waddock	S.Davis	Johnson	McLaren	(Evers)	Oldfield	Douglas	(Marshall)	Peake	(Davies)	(Doherty)
Sat Sep 13	AFC Bournemouth	1-1	4,561	21	K.Davis	McGowan	Small	Waddock	S.Davis	Johnson	(Davies)	McLaren	Oldfield	(Douglas)	MARSHALL	(Evers)	Peake	(Doherty)
Tue Sep 16	WEST BROM CCC2 (1)	1-1	3,437	-	Dibble	Alexander	Harvey	Waddock	S.Davis	(Johnson)	(Evers)	McLaren	Oldfield	DOUGLAS	Marshall	Doherty	(Davies)	(George)
Sat Sep 20	WREXHAM	2-5	5,241	23	Dibble	McGowan	(Harvey)	(Waddock)	S.DAVIS	Small	GRAY	McLaren	Oldfield	Douglas	(Marshall)	(Thorpe)	(Evers)	(Peake)
Tue Sep 23	West Brom CCC2 (2)	2-4	7,227	-	Dibble	Evers	Harvey	Waddock	S.DAVIS	White	Gray	McLaren	Oldfield	(Douglas)	(Davies)	(THORPE)	Doherty	(George)
Sat Sep 27	Bristol City	0-3	8,509	23	K.Davis	Evers	Harvey	(Waddock)	Small	White	Davies	McLaren	Oldfield	Thorpe	(George)	(Kean)	(Spring)	Omogbehin
Sat Oct 4	WATFORD	0-4	9,041	23	K.Davis	(McGowan)	Harvey	Waddock	Small	White	Gray	McLaren	Oldfield	Thorpe	(Davies)	(Douglas)	Spring	James
Sat Oct 11	PLYMOUTH ARGYLE	3-0	4,931	23	K.Davis	Alexander	Small	Waddock	James	White	Spring	McLaren	Oldfield	(THORPE 2)	(Doherty)	(DAVIES)	Harvey	(Evers)
Sat Oct 18	Wigan Athletic	1-1	4,466	22	K.Davis	James	Small	(Spring)	S.Davis	White	(Gray)	McLaren	OLDFIELD	Thorpe	Alexander	(Davies)	Doherty	(Marshall)
Tue Oct 21	Carlisle United	1-0	4,341	21	K.Davis	James	Small	(Spring)	S.Davis	WHITE	(Gray)	McLaren	Oldfield	Thorpe	Alexander	Davies	(Waddock)	(Marshall)
Sat Oct 25	BRENTFORD	2-0	5,972	18	K.Davis	(James)	Small	Waddock	S.Davis	White	Gray	McLaren	Oldfield	(THORPE)ALEXANDER	(Johnson)	Davies	(Marshall)	(Marshall)
Sat Nov 1	Wycombe Wanderers	2-2	6,219	18	K.Davis	James	Small	Waddock	S.Davis	Johnson	Gray	McLaren	OLDFIELD	THORPE	Alexander	Davies	Fotiadis	White
Tue Nov 4	BURNLEY	2-3	5,315	19	K.Davis	James	Small	(Waddock)	S.Davis	Johnson	Gray	McLaren	Oldfield	Thorpe	ALEXANDER 2	Davies	(Fotiadis)	White
Sat Nov 8	PRESTON NORTH END	1-3	5,767	22	K.Davis	James	(Small)	(Waddock)	White	Johnson	(Gray)	McLaren	Oldfield	THORPE	Alexander	(Davies)	(Fotiadis)	(Marshall)
Sat Nov 15	TORQUAY UNITED FAC1	0-1	3,446	-	Feuer	James	(Harvey)	(Waddock)	White	(Spring)	Fotiadis	McLaren	Oldfield	Thorpe	Alexander	(Davies)	(Patterson)	(Doherty)
Sat Nov 22	WALSALL	0-1	4,726	23	Feuer	James	Small	(Waddock)	White	(Davies)	Fotiadis	McLaren	Oldfield	Thorpe	Alexander	(Spring)	(Douglas)	Harvey
Sat Nov 29	York City	2-1	3,636	20	Feuer	James	Small	Waddock	S.Davis	White	Allen	McLaren	Oldfield	THORPE	ALEXANDER	Davies	Fotiadis	Thomas
Tue Dec 2	GILLINGHAM	2-2	4,408	21	Feuer	James	Small	(Waddock)	S.DAVIS	(White)	Allen	McLaren	Oldfield	THORPE	Alexander	Davies	(Fotiadis)	(Thomas)
Sat Dec 13	Chesterfield	0-0	4,358	22	Feuer	(James)	Thomas	Waddock	S.Davis	White	Allen	McLaren	Oldfield	Thorpe	Alexander	Davies	Fotiadis	(Douglas)
Sat Dec 20	BRISTOL ROVERS	2-4	5,266	22	Feuer	Patterson	Thomas	(Douglas)	S.Davis	White	ALLEN	(McLaren)	OLDFIELD	Thorpe	Alexander	Waddock	(Davies)	(Fotiadis)
Fri Dec 26	NORTHAMPTON TOWN	2-2	8,035	21	Feuer	Patterson	Thomas	Waddock	S.Davis	White	Allen	McLaren	OLDFIELD	THORPE	(Alexander)	Davies	(Fotiadis)	Spring
Sun Dec 28	Millwall	2-0	7,461	20	Feuer	Patterson	Thomas	Waddock	S.DAVIS	White	Allen	McLaren	Oldfield	THORPE	Alexander	Davies	Fotiadis	Spring
Sat Jan 3	Southend United	2-1	5,056	19	Feuer	Patterson	Thomas	Waddock	S.Davis	White	Allen	McLaren	Oldfield	Thorpe	ALEXANDER 2	Davies	Fotiadis	Spring
Sat Jan 10	BLACKPOOL																	
Tue Jan 13	BRENTFORD AW32																	
Sat Jan 17	Oldham Athletic																	
Sat Jan 24	FULHAM																	
Sat Jan 31	AFC BOURNEMOUTH																	
Sat Feb 7	Wrexham																	
Sat Feb 14	Watford																	
Sat Feb 21	BRISTOL CITY																	
Tue Feb 24	WIGAN ATHLETIC																	
Sat Feb 28	Plymouth Argyle																	
Tue Mar 3	Preston North End																	
Sat Mar 7	WYCOMBE W																	
Sat Mar 14	Burnley																	
Sat Mar 21	GRIMSBY TOWN																	
Sat Mar 28	Walsall																	
Sat Apr 4	YORK CITY																	
Sat Apr 11	Gillingham																	
Tue Apr 14	CHESTERFIELD																	
Sat Apr 18	Bristol Rovers																	
Sat Apr 25	Brentford																	
Sat May 2	CARLISLE UTD																	
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Darren PATTERSON	2	Marvin BRYAN
Mitchell THOMAS	3	Ben DIXON
Gary WADDOCK	4	Tony BUTLER
Steve DAVIS	5	Greg STRONG
Alan WHITE	6	Ian HUGHES
Chris ALLEN	7	Junior BENT
Paul McLAREN	8	Phil CLARKSON
David OLDFIELD	9	Chris MALKIN
Tony THORPE	10	Andy PREECE
Graham ALEXANDER	11	Lee PHILPOTT

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Today's referee is
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