

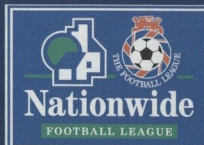


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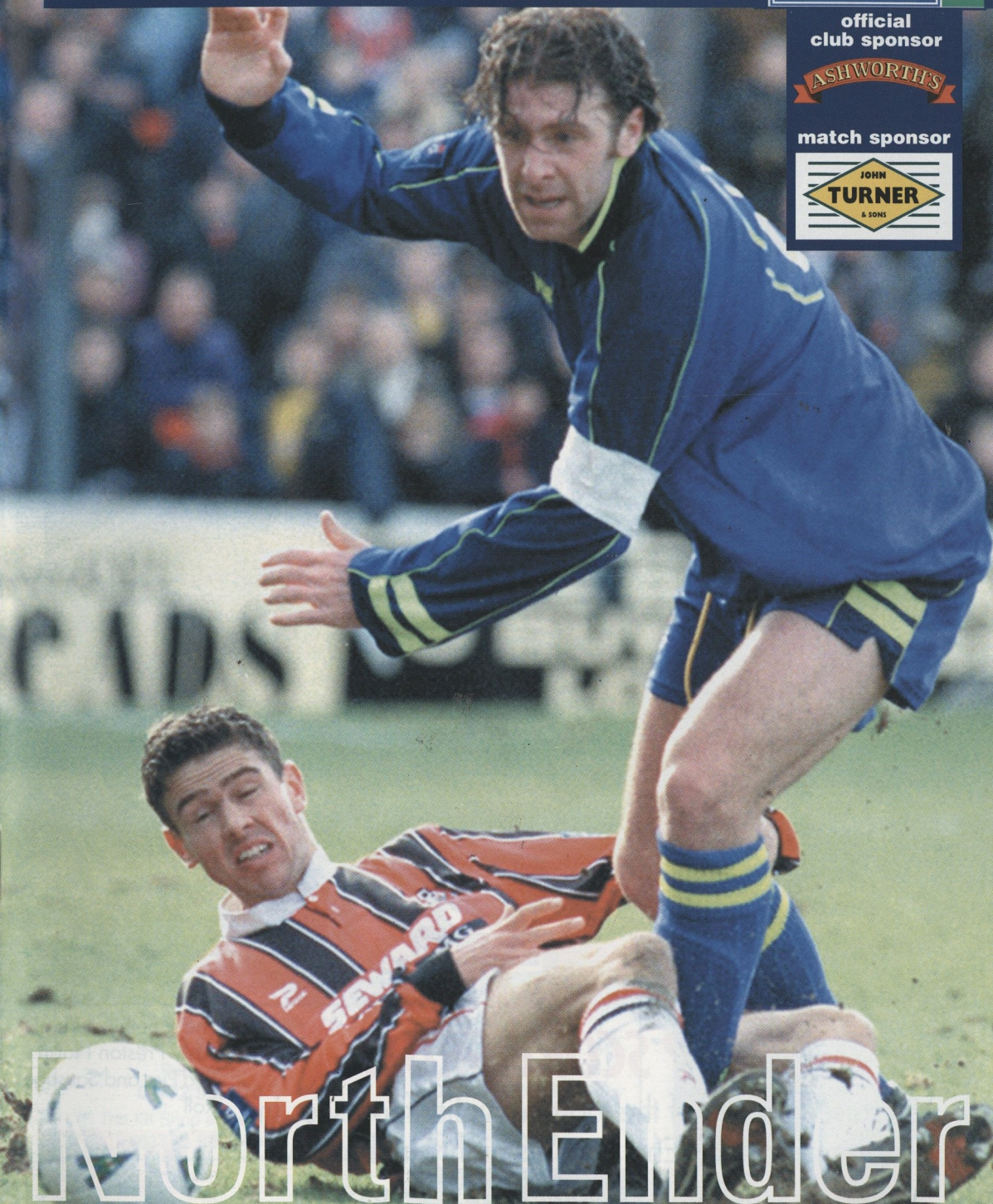


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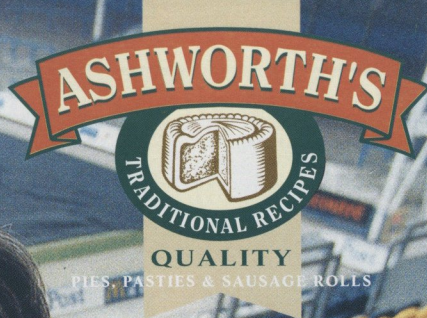
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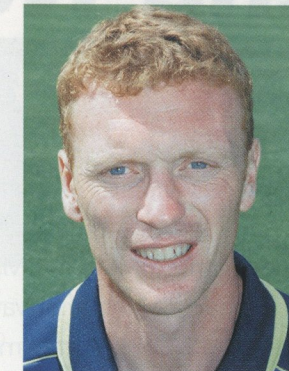
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Good evening and welcome to Deepdale.

On Saturday we travelled to Bournemouth for a very difficult fixture. The players had received criticism through the media, and privately from myself. Their response to this was a committed performance which resulted in a very good victory. As you are well aware we need to continue picking up as many points as possible to ensure our position in the Second Division.

The fans who made the trip to Bournemouth gave the team tremendous support, and I hope the result made their long journey home more pleasant.

At the time of writing these programme notes, I am sure you will be aware of the departure of Steve Harrison to Aston Villa as first team coach. Steve will be missed by the players and staff for his coaching abilities and his sense of humour.

The public at times have been given the wrong impression of Steve, but I am sure all the players and staff could not speak highly enough of him. We wish him well in his new job.

Tonight's match against Luton is another very important game. P.N.E and Luton were probably the two most fancied teams for promotion at the start of the season, but we both find each other at the wrong end of the table.

We welcome Lennie Lawrence and his team to Deepdale!

*David Moyes*

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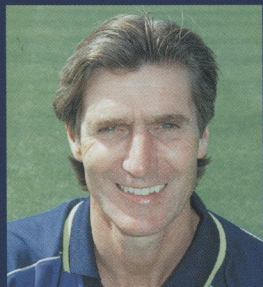
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Match Sponsors Burnett's Solicitors from Carlisle, receive a memento from Simon Davey at the PNE v's Carlisle match.



Alan Chapman (Burnett's Solicitors) presents a prize for the time of first goal' winner.



Steve Harrison

## Double Header

PNE fans will get the chance to watch Lancashire Lynx in a prestige friendly against Leeds Rhinos after the home game with York City on March 14th. Fans at the York game can remain behind and watch the Lynx for free. There will be on the pitch entertainment after the football finishes to keep the fans happy whilst the posts are changed. The rugby is scheduled to kick-off at 5.30pm.

PNE Chief Executive, Peter Church said, "Although the fixture has to be confirmed we think the venture would be an excellent attempt to capture the football audience. We hope as many North End fans as possible will stay and watch the game because we see this a a novel way of selling Rugby League to the Preston public.

## Women on song

PNE Ladies beat Manchester City 5-2 last week to move closer to winning their league. The result guarantees the PNE Ladies at least second place. They only need one point from the last game against Stockport to win the title.

## Steve Harrison goes to Villa

First Team Coach, Steve Harrison has joined Premiership side Aston Villa and teams up with his old team mate John Gregory. The move follows the managerial shake up at the midlands club last week following the resignation of manager Brian Little.

## Darby deal on hold

The on-off loan deal that would have seen Julian Darby join Rotherham on a month's loan may now collapse. The move was postponed after Darby hurt his ankle after just one day



David Griffiths from Euxton, is pictured here receiving a cheque off Tom Watts (Lofty from Eastenders) for £525.00 for winning the half-time draw.

with the Yorkshire outfit. PNE Chief Executive , Peter Church said, "We are waiting for Rotherham to come back to us. It's taking more time than we expected but we are hopeful that it is still going to happen."

## E mails

We will be developing an internet feature in the programme shortly. If you would like to e mail us at WWW.prestonnorthend.co.uk we may include your e mail in the programme. Let us know your views on any aspect of the clubs activities on and off the pitch.

## No fixture change

Contrary to press rumour Lancashire Lynx will be playing all their home league fixtures at Deepdale this summer as improvement work on the pitch will not be extensive as first thought necessary.

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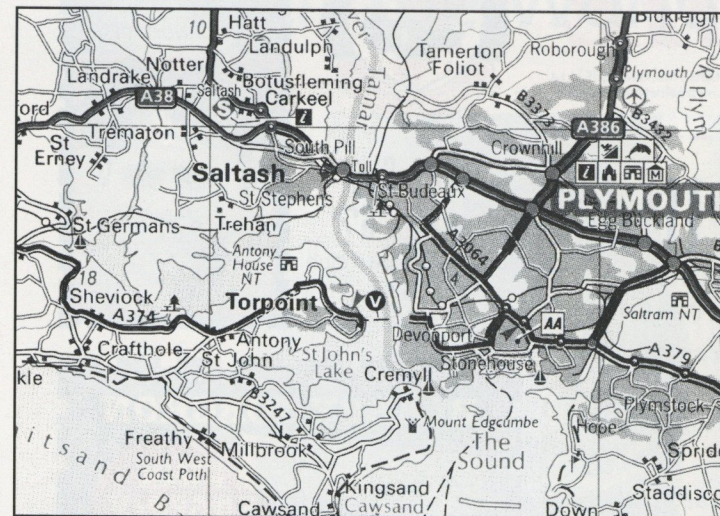
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## HALF TIME QUIZ

1. In 1958, which club were relegated from the First Division for the first time in 68 years?
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3. With which club was Jimmy Seed manager between 1933 and 1956?
4. Which Blackburn player in 1966 was sent off after just three minutes of his debut?
5. What colour are Real Madrid's home shirts?
6. Name the losing Italian captain in the 1994 World Cup Final?
7. What was the title of Kevin Keegan's chart hit in the 1970's?
8. When did Danny Wilson become manager of Barnsley?
9. Which Second Division club plays at Vicarage Road?
10. With which club did Julian Dicks make his League debut?

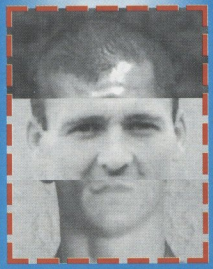


### whose crests?

Name the three club crests featured in this montage

### IDENTIKIT

Name the three players in this patchwork pic



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### WHAT A JUMBLE!

Unscramble the names of these ten players.

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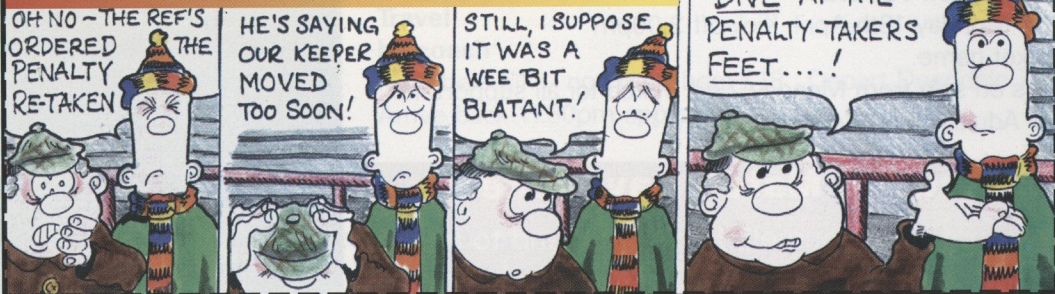
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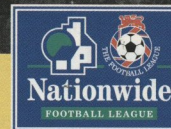
by Norman Hood



ANSWERS

HALF TIME QUIZ: 1. Sunderland; 2. Jim Leighton; 3. Charlton Athletic; 4. Gary Fitteroff; 5. Whites; 6. Franco Baresi; 7. Head Over Heels in Love; 8. June 1994; 9. Watford; 10. Birmingham City.  
WHOSE CRESTS?: Millwall, Blackburn Rovers and Manchester United.  
IDENTIKIT?: Paul McGrath, Paul Lambert and Gary Neville.  
WHAT A JUMBLE: Paul McGrath, Paul Lambert and Gary Neville.  
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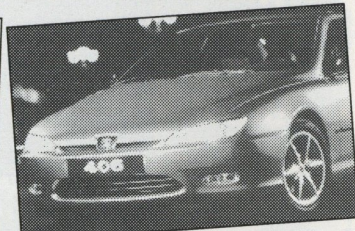
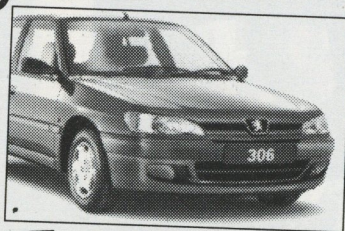
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David Oldfield	32	5	3	Leicester Millwall (L) Man City Luton
30/5/68 Eng U21	5			
Paul McLaren	30(2)		7	
17/11/76	5		1	
Gary Waddock	28(1)		3	Bristol Rovers Swindon (L) QPR Millwall Charlton
17/3/62 Eire	5			
Graham Alexander	27		7	3 Scunthorpe
10/10/71	3			
Steve Davis	27		4	3 Burnley Southampton Notts County (L)
26/7/65	3			
Alan White	21		1	3 Middlesbrough
22/3/76	2			
Kelvin Davies	19			Torquay (L)
29/9/76 Eng U21	3(2)			
Julian James	15(1)		2	Preston (L)
22/3/70 Eng U21	2			
Mitchell Thomas	15(1)		5	5 West Ham Tottenham
2/10/64 Eng B	2			
Marvin Johnson	13(1)		2	1
29/10/68	3			
Tony Feuer	13		2	2 West Ham Peterboro (L) Los Angeles Salsa
20/5/71 USA	2			
Darren Patterson	12		3	Preston (L) Palace Wigan West Brom
15/10/69 N Ire	(1)			
Phil Gray	10		1	2 Sunderland Tottenham Fulham (L) Barnsley (L)
2/10/68 N Ire	1			
Simon Davies	8(8)		1	1 Man Utd Exeter (L) Huddersfield (L)
23/4/74 Wales	2(2)			
Dwight Marshall	8(8)		1	1 Plymouth Middlesboro (L) Grays
3/10/65	2			
Gavin McGowan	6(2)		2(1)	Arsenal
16/1/76 Eng Yth				
Stuart Douglas	5(6)		1	1
9/4/78	3(1)		1	Blackpool (L)
Richard Harvey	5(1)			
17/4/69 Eng Yth	3(1)			
Sean Evers	4(6)			
10/10/77	2		1	
Matthew Spring	4(2)		(1)	
17/11/79	1			
Andrew Fotiadis	2(7)			
6/9/77 Eng Sch	1			
Gary Doherty	1(3)			
31/1/80 Eire Yth	(1)			
Liam George	1			
2/2/79				
Robert Keane	(1)			
3/6/78				
Trevor Peake	(1)			Coventry Lincoln
10/2/57				
Paul Showler	(1)			Bradford Barnet Sunderland Sheff Wed
10/10/66				
Nathan Abbey				
11/7/78	1			

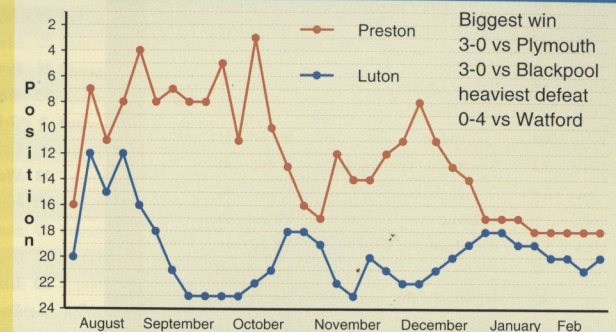
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Key : A=Appearances (Sub) C=Cautions (Sent Off) G=Goals  
Cup details, date of birth and international honours in *Italics*

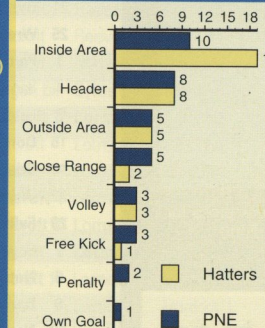
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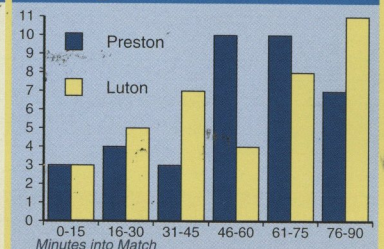
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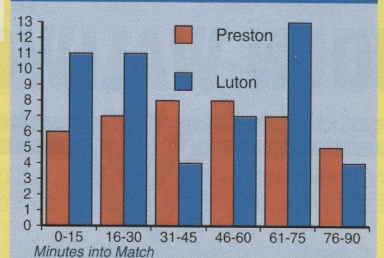
## goals - how scored



## when goals have been scored



## and when goals conceded

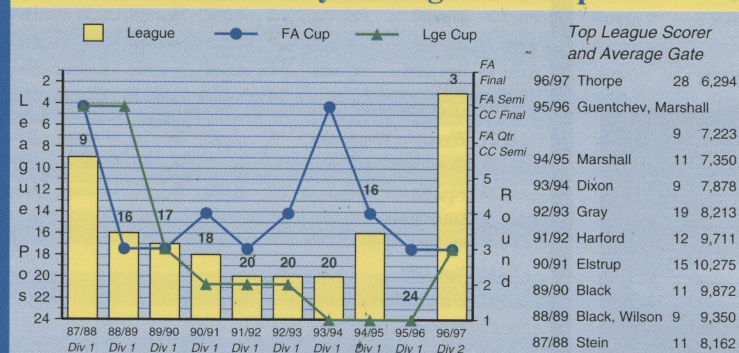


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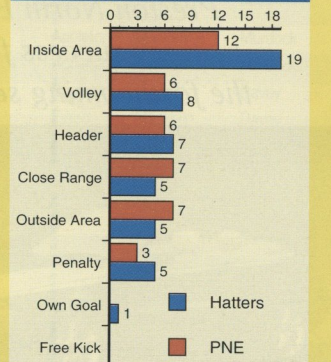
shows the number of matches finishing with a variety of scores, eg they have won 2 games 3-0 and lost 3 games 0-1

goals agt	0	1	2	3	4	5	6
g	7	6	5	5	4	3	2
a	2	2	3	1	1	1	1
s	0	3	3	1	1	1	1

## Luton Town's 10 year league and cup record



## how goals conceded

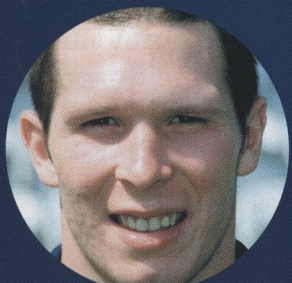








# Match Action



### STARMAN

Michael Appleton, for keeping going for 90 minutes.

## Preston North End 0 Carlisle United 3

24th February 1998

Attendance: 8,985

**Preston:** Moilanen, Parkinson, Barrick, Moyes, Jackson, Gregan, Cartwright (Davey), Ashcroft (Eyres), Mullin (Macken), Sissoko, Appleton.

Only minutes before the kick-off one of the Deepdale floodlights failed; Soon everybody was left wishing all four of them had failed and not come on again.

After a bright start, in a game which Preston just had to win, the home side simply crumbled once Carlisle had taken an early lead.

Realising the importance of the game the North End players seemed to have raised their game and looked like they could earn their first league win under David Moyes and Preston's first since 13th December.

There were a number of dangerous balls into the box early on and Gregan was just beaten to the ball by a Carlisle defender who hit his own post trying to clear Mullin's cross. If that had gone in it could have been a totally different story but football is a game in which you can't rely on if, buts and maybes and everybody involved with Preston North End learnt that harsh lesson against Carlisle.

Billy Barr put the visitors ahead after 10 minutes with a free header at the far post. Wright had beaten Parkinson before picking out his colleague perfectly.

### Hit the bar

Preston rallied and Gregan hit the bar with a header and Sissoko hit a sweet volley from a deep Cartwright cross but Caig kept his effort out. With the Preston side still struggling to come to terms with being one-down, Ashcroft gave the ball away and Wright made it two. After 26 minutes the game was over as a contest despite the fact we were playing our relegation rivals in such an important clash. The players could not lift themselves at all and the first half petered out. The best efforts after going two-down came from an Ashcroft cross which nobody followed in and a shot by Appleton. The North End style was so predictable with the ball being played across the pitch until it reached either of the wingers. Carlisle put a string of four across the midfield and four across the back and kept North End playing the ball backwards and forwards a safe distance from their goal. There was no penetration and a lack of ideas. The second half was marginally better, Carlisle only managed to score one! And for

the goal Preston were once again carved right open.

Barr returned the favour to Wright, slipping him free on the right of the box, and he scored with a low shot that came off the far post before nestling in the net.

Macken had a shot well saved after Sissoko played a nice ball in for him. The former Manchester United youngster put in another good performance.

Eyres put a shot straight into the keeper's arms, as did Macken but it was not the scoreline that was now worrying the fans but the apparent lack of effort that the players showed. The players are no doubt good enough to stay in Division Two but with only 13 games to go we have to start winning soon.

Summary: A disappointing performance for which manager David Moyes apologised to the fans.

## Bournemouth 0 Preston North End 2

28th February 1998 Attendance: 5,009

**Preston:** Moilanen, Parkinson, Kidd, Murdock, Jackson, Gregan, Appleton, Davey, Ashcroft (Mullin), Sissoko, Eyres. Subs not used: Cartwright, Rankine.

In hindsight the humiliating defeat at the hands of relegation and bitter rivals Carlisle could well be the catalyst to save Preston's season.

The performance against Carlisle was the lowest point of the campaign so far. The North End players realised they had let themselves down and they set the record straight against Bournemouth with a display of passion and pride. Bournemouth could have made it into the play-off places with a win and certainly didn't hand Preston victory. They had to earn it and so they did. Bournemouth put up a spirited fightback but Preston's rearguard and luck held firm.

Kidd returned after injury and with Eyres restored to the left wing, that flank looked much more comfortable and balanced than recent weeks. Whenever Eyres and Kidd have played together they have linked well and it was good to have them both back against Bournemouth.

### Precise Cross

After an opening spell of exchanges which saw neither side get on top, it was Eyres' precise cross to the far post that brought the first goal. Eyres twisted and turned down the left before beating the man and sending over a cross with plenty of pace. It eluded everybody in the middle of the box including Sissoko. However, up popped Davey, playing on the right of midfield, to send a bullet header into the net. Home keeper, Glass, was not happy with the referee and linesman, alleging he was fouled (by Appleton I think) but this just added to the North End fans delight as it was a couple of minutes before the forlorn keeper picked the ball out of the net!

Bournemouth mounted an immediate reply. They were awarded a penalty for handball against Jackson, although they had been unlucky not to win a penalty seconds earlier. I wonder if the ref was influenced by the fact that he had turned down one strong appeal just before!

Steve Robinson's penalty wasn't the best but Tepi still had to dive to his right to make the important save. Preston took heart from the miss and Appleton extended their lead five minutes later.

He picked up the ball outside of the box and with four Cherrie's defenders around him he wriggled his way through to the edge before shooting left footed. The ball looked to be going wide but sneaked in at the near post much to the delight of the Preston fans and Appleton himself.

Most of the remainder of the half was spent defending and after waiting for this match since Tuesday's performance against Carlisle and then travelling for six hours I wanted the game to end after 22 minutes, such is the appeal of football! Preston defended well, getting plenty of men behind the ball and with Davey, Appleton, Gregan and Eyres snapping at the Bournemouth players they found it hard to penetrate our back line.

And when they did Tepi and his back four were up to the job although a series of corners got the heart fluttering and couldn't have done Moyes' health much good!

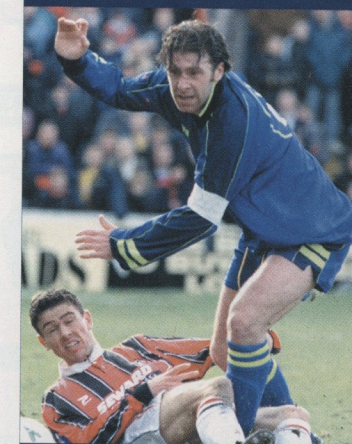
### All Bournemouth

The second half was all Bournemouth. They put their captain up front but after an unsuccessful spell reverted to central defence after they were caught twice on the break. Ashcroft set off down the left after a corner was cleared and found Parkinson, who had sprinted the full length of the pitch, free on the right of the box. He controlled the ball well but then ruined all his hard work by firing over. Sissoko found himself in a similar position but in acres of space his finish was very poor and Glass saved easily.

Tepi was kept busy at the other end. He saw a shot go just wide, then saved two headers and got down well to collect a low shot. He then expertly tipped over a shot that was heading for the roof of the net. Tepi was finally beaten by Robinson but the whistle went and the goal was disallowed for handball. It wasn't Bournemouth's day but only because Preston had made sure it wasn't.

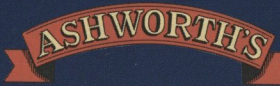
Summary: A much needed three points secured by a performance full of courage and commitment. Well done lads, keep it up.

# Match Action



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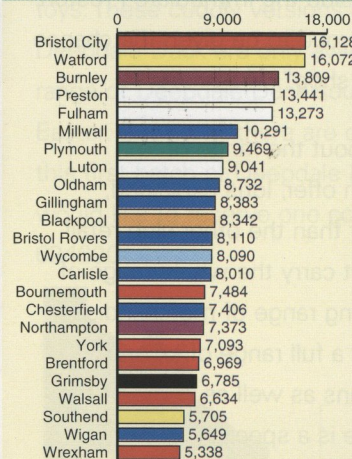
the 97/98 season

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## Results and Fixtures (as at 27th February)

Fixture dates are italicised (e.g. 4.5 is 4th May), results are in bold.	Bournemouth	Blackpool	Brentford	Bristol City	Bristol Rovers	Burnley	Carlisle	Chesterfield	Fulham	Gillingham	Grimsby	Luton	Millwall	Northampton	Oldham	Plymouth	Preston	Southend	Walsall	Watford	Wigan	Wrexham	Wycombe	York	
Bournemouth		2-0	0-0	1-0	1-1	25.4	3-2	2-0	2-1	4-0	0-1	1-1	0-0	3-0	0-0	3.3	28.2	2-1	14.4	0-1	1-0	14.3	4.4	0-0	
Blackpool	1-0		13.4	2-2	25.4	2-1	2-1	2-1	28.2	21.3	2-2	1-0	3-0	1-1	2-2	0-0	2-1	3-0	4.4	7.3	0-2	1-2	2-4	1-0	
Brentford	7.3	3-1		1-4	2-3	2-1	0-1	0-0	11.4	2-0	3-1	25.4	2-1	21.3	28.3	3-1	0-0	1-1	3-0	1-2	18.4	1-1	1-1	28.2	
Bristol City	1-1	2-0	3.3		14.3	3-1	4.4	1-0	0-2	0-2	4-1	3-0	4-1	0-0	1-0	2-1	2-1	28.2	25.4	13.4	3-0	1-1	3-1	2-1	
Bristol Rovers	5-3	0-3	2.5	1-2		1-0	3-1	3-1	2-3	1-2	0-4	18.4	2-1	7.3	3-1	1-1	21.3	28.3	2-0	1-2	11.4	1-0	3-1	tba	
Burnley	2-2	3.3	1-1	11.4	0-0		3-1	0-0	18.4	0-0	28.3	14.3	1-2	2-1	0-0	2.5	1-1	1-0	2-1	2-2	5.0	1-2	2-2	7-2	
Carlisle	28.3	1-1	14.3	0-3	3-1	28.2		0-2	2-0	2-1	18.4	0-1	3.3	0-2	11.4	2-2	0-2	5-0	1-1	0-2	1-0	2-2	0-0	25.4	
Chesterfield	1-1	2.5	0-0	18.4	0-0	1-0	21.3		7.3	1-1	1-0	0-0	28.3	11.4	2-1	2-1	3-2	1-0	3-1	0-1	2-3	3-1	1-0	1-1	
Fulham	0-1	1-0	1-1	1-0	3.3	1-0	13.4	1-1		1-1	3-0	0-2	0-0	14.3	1-1	3-1	2-0	4.4	2-0	tba	2.5	2-0	1-0	0-0	1-1
Gillingham	2-1	1-1	3-1	2-0	1-1	2-0	1-0	14.3	28.3		0-2	11.4	1-3	1-0	3.3	2-1	0-1	1-2	2-1	2-2	2.5	18.4	1-0	0-0	
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Luton	1-2	3-0	2-0	0-0	2-4	2-3	2.5	14.4	1-4	2-2	21.3		0-2	2-2	1-1	3-0	1-3	1-0	0-1	0-4	1-1	2-5	7.3	4.4	
Millwall	2.5	2-1	3-0	0-2	4.4	21.3	1-1	1-1	1-1	7.3	0-1	0-2		0-0	2-1	13.4	tba	3-1	0-1	1-1	1-1	0-1	1-0	2-3	
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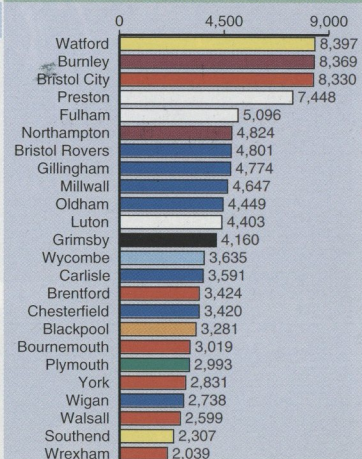
## club highest gates



## average goals per match

	For	Home	Away	Agt	Home	Away
Bournemouth	1.24	1.29	1.19	1.00	0.47	1.56
Blackpool	1.26	1.59	0.94	1.50	1.12	1.88
Brentford	0.97	1.56	0.44	1.53	1.13	1.89
Bristol City	1.62	1.88	1.35	0.79	0.76	0.82
Bristol Rovers	1.55	1.81	1.29	1.42	1.56	1.29
Burnley	1.18	1.47	0.88	1.39	1.00	1.81
Carlisle	1.30	1.19	1.41	1.52	1.25	1.76
Chesterfield	0.97	1.29	0.65	0.91	0.76	1.06
Fulham	1.27	1.18	1.38	0.91	0.47	1.38
Gillingham	1.27	1.29	1.25	1.18	0.88	1.50
Grimsby	1.39	1.56	1.20	0.81	0.56	1.07
Luton	1.15	1.33	0.93	1.52	1.89	1.07
Millwall	1.06	1.06	1.07	1.25	1.06	1.47
Northampton	1.12	1.53	0.71	0.82	0.71	0.94
Oldham	1.39	2.00	0.82	1.12	0.88	1.35
Plymouth	1.18	1.63	0.76	1.48	1.44	1.53
Preston	1.12	1.06	1.19	1.24	1.12	1.38
Southend	1.06	1.28	0.81	1.79	1.17	2.50
Walsall	1.03	1.25	0.80	1.13	0.75	1.53
Watford	1.45	1.67	1.28	0.76	0.93	0.61
Wigan	1.38	1.73	1.06	1.56	1.60	1.53
Wrexham	1.22	1.40	1.06	1.22	1.07	1.35
Wycombe	1.15	1.38	0.94	1.35	0.94	1.72
York	1.15	1.29	1.00	1.24	0.88	1.63

## club lowest gates



## Div 2 results analysis

	7	6	5	4	3	2	1	0
H	5	1	1	1	1			
O	4	4	5	2	1	2		
M	3	17	32	7		1		
E	2	23	49	15	8	2	1	
	1	43	54	15	3	6		
0	48	25	20	6	2			
	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	

AWAY

shows the number of matches finishing with a variety of scores, eg in 32 games the home side won 3-1

## number of games resulting in home & away wins and draws in Div 2 & Nationwide.

Home Wins	188	Home Wins	564
Away Wins	89	Away Wins	294
Draws	119	Draws	344
1-1 Draws	54	1-1 Draws	166
0-0 Draws	48	0-0 Draws	117

stats up to date on 27th February

## Nationwide results analysis

	8	7	6	5	4	3	2	1	0
H	5	4	9	4	1	1			
O	4	12	19	10	4	3			
M	3	46	71	29	8	1	1		
E	2	87	127	50	21	5	2		
	1	135	166	60	23	11			
0	117	89	54	20	5	1		1	
	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	

AWAY

this shows the results for Divisions 1, 2 & 3. eg 117 games have finished 0-0

correct up to Friday 27th February 1998



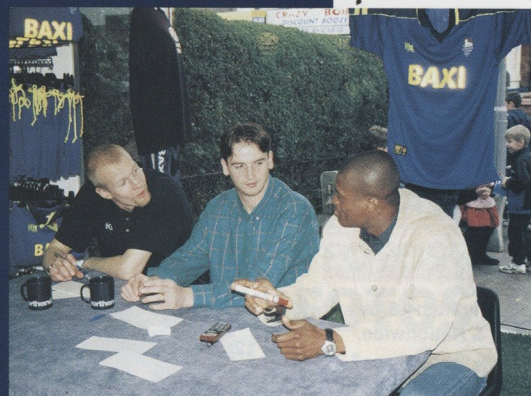
# Behind the scenes



Deepdale Duck welcomes fans to Kit 3.



Crowds outside the new Kit 3 on Hough Lane, Leyland.



Tepi, Ryan Kidd, and Habib Sissoko were on hand to meet fans at the opening of Kit 3.

## Launch of Kit 3

Wednesday 25th February saw the launch of Kit 3 in Leyland. The new club shop which is situated on Hough Lane, right in the heart of the town centre, is already proving very popular with fans in the Leyland area.

Shop manager, Idris Selant enthused, "There were a lot of fans here on the

Wednesday afternoon for the opening. With new signing Habib Sissoko, "Tepi" and Ryan Kidd on hand to sign autographs and meet the fans - it was a great day. We sold quite a lot of merchandise - more than we expected to and trade since has been very encouraging. This is the first time the club have had a retail outlet outside the immediate Preston area and I am proud to be given the chance to develop this shop"

When asked about the range of merchandise on offer, Idris explained,

"Obviously with Kit 3 being smaller than the other club retail outlets we can not carry the whole range of the club's increasing range of merchandise. We have however a full range of kit and training gear for fans as well as some of the leisure wear. There is a specially commissioned T shirt with the slogan 'PNE Leyland Whites' and a full range of smaller merchandise and souvenirs." John Butcher a whites fan from nearby Farrington said, "This shop will be so convenient for fans like myself who can't get into Preston town centre or to Deepdale during the week.

I know there are loads of PNE fans in Leyland and I'm sure this shop will be a huge hit."

Mary Johnson from Leyland said, "My son will be in here every day on his way home from school. Kids don't get the chance to go in a Kit shop other than on match days. and I think opening shops in places like Leyland is a great idea."

## Formal Opening

Kit 3 was "formally" opened on Wednesday evening when Lee Ashcroft, Lynx coach Stevie Hampson and PNE shareholder Harry Sutton declared Kit 3 open after a short speech from Chief Executive Peter Church.

Lee Ashcroft also did the honours, posing with his new found friends, the miniature Deepdale Duck soft toys. These cuddly versions of PNE's favourite Deepdale Duck are only available in Kit 3 until a new range of Deepdale Duck souvenirs are launched at Easter. But hurry, there are only a limited number of this first batch of Deepdale Duck toys on offer. If you would like to reserve one contact Kit 3 on (01772) 624600.



Leyland town centre, the location for the club's new shop Kit 3.

# Behind the scenes

**Kit**<sup>tm</sup>  
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Lynx Coach, Stevie Hampson (left), Lee Ashcroft and PNE shareholder Harry Sutton officially opening Kit 3.



Deepdale Duck is impressed with his lookalikes.

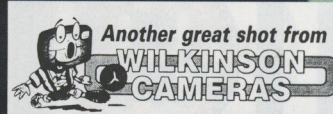


Lee Ashcroft with his new found friends.



Michael  
**Appleton**

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# Welcome To Luton Town

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## THE MANAGER



**Lennie Lawrence**

Lennie Lawrence was appointed manager of Luton Town in December 1995, following the departure of Terry Westley. A player with non-league Croydon, Carshalton Athletic and Sutton United, Mr Lawrence was an assistant manager at Plymouth, where he was also caretaker manager, and at Lincoln, before becoming manager of Charlton Athletic in 1982, having initially joined the Addicks as reserve team coach. Charlton finished as runners-up in Division Two in 1985/86 earning promotion to the top flight after an absence of 29 years. In the following season they were involved in the first promotion/relegation play-off's, overcoming second division Leeds United in extra-time in a dramatic play-off final replay, but were relegated in 1990. Mr Lawrence left Charlton in 1991, after nine years with the club which at the time made him the third longest-serving manager in the country behind Nottingham Forest's Brian Clough and Oldham's Joe Royle. He headed north to Middlesbrough, where he took the Teaside club into the FA Premier League in 1992 in his first season with them. They returned to Division One in 1993, and Mr Lawrence left in 1994, when Bryan Robson took over at Ayresome Park. He then joined Bradford in May 1994, leaving Valley Parade in November 1995. He is the 21st manager in the history of Luton Town. Unable to keep Luton in Division One in his first season in charge, he guided them to the Division Two play-off's in 96/97. After Christmas 1996 the Hatters were rarely out of the top three, but lost out to eventually promoted Crewe in the two-legged play-off semi-finals.

## The squad for tonight's game

### PAUL SHOWLER - Midfield/Forward

Signed in August 1996, from Bradford City where he played under current Luton boss Lennie Lawrence. Played non-league football for Altrincham and Barnet with league appearances for the latter following their promotion from the Conference. Scored his first goal for the Hatters in the 3-1 win over Walsall in October 1996. Suffered with injuries at the start of the 97/98 campaign.

### KELVIN DAVIS - Goalkeeper

Kelvin is a highly rated keeper who made his league debut for the Hatters in the final day of the 1993/94 season in a 2-2 draw at Stoke. He spent a month on loan at Torquay in September/October 1994, before winning a place in the Luton starting line-up in March. With Juergen Sommer on international duty, Kelvin made his home debut in the televised 'derby' with Watford, saving a penalty in the 1-1 draw. He kept his place until the end of the season, and also won two England youth caps. Kelvin was selected for the England Under-21 squad for the Toulon Tournament in June 1995. Signed new four-year contract in June 1995 and was again in England Under-21 squads throughout the 95/96 season. Went on loan to Hartlepool in August 1997, but was recalled following the injury to Ian Feuer.

### RICHARD HARVEY - Defender

Richard resurrected his Town career in 1994/95 after two years plagued by injury. The former England youth international missed the entire 1993/94 season after a cruciate knee ligament operation, and made his first appearance of the following campaign at Barnsley in January. His appearance at home to Watford in March 1995 was his first at Kenilworth Road for three years. A regular on the left side of defence/midfield for the first half of the 95/96 season, he lost his place to Mitchell Thomas after the arrival of Lennie Lawrence as manager. Suffered with another knee ligament injury in the 96/97 pre-season campaign. Was given free transfer at the end of last season, but remains on month-to-month contract.

### JULIAN JAMES - Defender

Julian joined Luton as a trainee, and was introduced to First Division football in 1988, but was sent off on his full debut in a Littlewoods Cup win at Leeds in November of that year. A former England Under-21 international, he was a regular at left-back in the 1993/94 season, but made the right-back position his own in 1994/95 with a string of consistent displays which earned him the Player of the Year award from the Loyal Luton Supporters Club. Was in and out of the side at the start of the 95/96 campaign, before an extended run at right-back after Christmas. Granted a benefit match in 1996. Regular at right-back during 96/97.

### MARVIN JOHNSON - Defender

Marvin made his football League debut against Wimbledon in 1988 and quickly established himself as a versatile defender. Started the 1994/95 season at left-back, but then switched to the centre of defence to form a reliable partnership with Trevor Peake. Marvin was one of only three players to play in every first-team match in 94/95 season, and was awarded the Players' Player of the Year trophy. He was again a consistent performer in 95/96 at centre-back, alongside Steve Davis for the most part, and Darren Patterson. Similarly in 96/97.

### PAUL MCLAREN - Midfield

Paul made his debut in the town first-team on the final day of the 1993/94 season, coming on as a substitute at Stoke City. He joined the Hatters from school, and is an England youth international. Started as a centre-half, but spent much of the 1994/95 season in the reserves in centre midfield. Made his full debut at Tranmere in October 1995, and then played in the Anglo-Italian Cup game in Genoa. Was an able deputy for Gary Waddock and/or Ceri Hughes in 96/97, and is set to be a regular this term.

### MITCHELL THOMAS - Defender

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 left-back during the 1994/95 campaign.

Recalled by the new manager Lennie Lawrence in December 1995, and responded with an ever-present record until the end of the season. Was a regular left-back during the 1996/97 campaign, but underwent a hernia operation just after the start of the 97/98 campaign.

### DARREN PATTERSON - Defender

Darren signed for the Hatters in August 1995 from Crystal Palace for £150,000 a fee which could rise to over £200,000 based on appearances. The Northern Ireland international started his league career with Wigan and joined Palace for £250,000 in 1992.

An achilles injury ruled him out of the first two months of the season and kept him out of the Northern Ireland's final European Championship qualifying matches. Made his first Luton appearance in the Anglo-Italian Cup defeat in Cesena in November 1995. Came on loan to Preston in October 1996, and won his place back in the Northern Ireland squad at the end of 96/97. Ruled out with an ankle injury at the start of the 97/98 season.

### DWIGHT MARSHALL - Forward

Dwight signed in the summer of 1994 from Plymouth for £150,000, after scoring 14 goals for Peter Shilton's side the previous season - his third campaign at Home Park after playing non-league football with Grays Athletic. Started well for Luton, with two goal in the 5-1 win over Middlesbrough in October, and despite being troubled by a shin injury late in the season he finished at the Hatters leading scorer with 13 goals in league and cup. Scored 13 goals in 95/96, but suffered a broken leg in February 1996, ruling him out for the rest of the season. Returned in November 1996.

### GRAHAM ALEXANDER - Defender/Midfield

Graham joined the Hatters in July 1995 and was Terry Westley's first signing after being confirmed as Luton's new manager. The Town coaching staff had been watching him for two seasons before deciding to make their move, with the fee in the region of £100,000, with further payments depending on appearances. A regular on the right hand side of midfield, he played in all but one of Luton's league matches in the 96/97 season.

### TREVOR PEAKE - Defender

Trevor started his league career at Lincoln City in 1979, before moving to Coventry City in 1983. He enjoyed eight full seasons at Highfield Road, winning an FA Cup winners medal in 1987 as the Sky Blues beat David Pleat's Tottenham 3-2 at Wembley. Trevor joined Luton for £100,000 in August 1991 and signed a new one year contract in the summer of 1994. For the first time in his career he maintained an ever present record throughout the season being voted the Supporters Club Player of the Year, and signed a further one year deal in the summer of 1995, and was appointed reserve team coach during the 95/96 season. Beat his own record as Luton's oldest ever player when he came on as a substitute against Wrexham in September 1997.

### SEAN EVERS - Midfield

Sean made his first team debut in the Anglo-Italian Cup match against Perugia in September, making his league debut in the final home match of the season. Made one league appearance in 96/97.

### PHIL GRAY - Forward

First signed for Luton in August 1991, but missed most of the season due to an injury as the Hatters were relegated from the top flight. Scored 20 goals in the new Division One the following season and was subsequently transferred to Sunderland for £800,000 in July 1993. Had three seasons at the Roker Park before moving to France to play for Nancy - a free transfer under the Bosman ruling and from there he moved to Dutch side Fortuna Sittard. Returned to Luton in September 1997 for £400,000. A regular in the Northern Ireland squad.

### ALAN WHITE - Defender

Joined the Hatters from Middlesbrough for £40,000 in September 1997 - a fee rising to £90,000 on appearances. Was signed for Boro by Lennie Lawrence as a teenager having signed schoolboy forms with Derby County but never made a senior appearance at Ayresome Park / the Riverside Stadium. Made his Luton Town debut in the Coca Cola Cup at West Brom in September 1997.

### DAVID OLDFIELD - Midfielder/Forward

David returned to Kenilworth Road in the summer of 1995, six years after leaving Luton Town. He started his career with the Hatters, progressing through the junior ranks to arvo-goal senior debut in a 2-1 Simod Cup win at Everton in February 1988. He also scored on his full league debut in a 2-1 home win over Watford in May 1988, and went on to make 29 league appearances for the Hatters, scoring four goals. Australian-born Oldfield who played for England Under-21's, joined Manchester City for £600,000 in March 1989, before moving on to Leicester City.



**Ian Feuer - Goalkeeper**

Ian signed for the Hatters from West Ham in December 1995, for a fee which could rise to £580,000 depending on appearances.

The 6ft 7ins American arrived at Luton in September, and spent three months on loan. Was Luton's Player of the Year for the 95/96 season.

At West Ham he was understudy to Ludek Mikloskom, but never played a first team game, and due to restrictions on overseas players was kept off the bench by Les Sealey. His Luton debut wasn't his league debut though, as he was on loan at Peterborough in 1994/95, playing 16 games in Division Two. Spotted by West Ham playing in Belgium, although he actually signed from Los Angeles Salsa.

Regular for the Hatters in 96/97, but suffered a serious shoulder injury in August 1997.



**Simon Davies - Midfield**

Joined the Hatters from Manchester United in the summer of 1997, after only rate appearances in the Old Trafford first-team. Made 11 league appearances for the Reds, and also played six matches during a loan spell at Exeter.

Scored for United in a European Cup match v Galatasaray in December 1994, when they won 4-0, and they also played in the 3-1 defeat in Gothenburg.





**Gary Waddock - Midfield**

Gary completed a free transfer move from Bristol Rovers in December 1994, after a three-month loan spell at Kinilworth Road. Started his career with QPR making over 200 appearances, including an FA Cup Final against Spurs in 1982, and the subsequent replay.

That was followed by a spell in Belgium with Charleroi as Gary recovered from a serious knee injury, and he also had spells at Millwall, QPR again, and Swindon, before moving to Bristol.

Gary missed only one game, through suspension, after joining the Hatters in 1994/95, and scored his first goal for the club on the final day of the season. His consistent display in 1995/96 were rewarded with the Players' Player of the Year Trophy. Team captain in 96/97 and 97/98.

**Back Row (left to right):**

Robert Kean, Sean Evers, Stuart Douglas, Steve Augustine, Andrew Barr, Paul McLaren, Simon Davies, Gary Doherty, Matthew Spring, Ian Jones, Andrew Fotiadis, Richard Harvey, Dwight Marshall.

**Standing (left to right):**

Bob Bird (Financial Controller), Cherry Newberry (Club Secretary), Clive Goodyear (Physio), Paul Lowe (Youth Development Officer), Wayne Turner (First-team coach), Paul Showler, David Oldfield, Mitchell Thomas, Nathan Abbey, Ian Feuer, Kelvin Davis, Marvin Johnson, Chris Willmott, Graham Alexander, John Moore (Youth Team coach), Trevor Peake (Reserve Team coach), Kathy Leather (Commercial Manager), Les Shannon (Scouting Co-Ordinator).

**Seated (left to right):**

Liam George, Tony Thorpe, Steve Davis, Nigel Terry (Director), David Kohler (Chairman), Lennie Lawrence (Manager), Cliff Bassett (Director), Chris Green (Director), Gary Waddock, Julian James, Terry Sweeney.

**Front Row (left to right):**

Jimmy Cox, Russell Lawes, Stuart Fraser, Darren Howe, James Ayres, Daniel Tate, Nick Webb, Emerson Boyce, Moses Jerry, Michael McIndoe, Andre Scarlett, Delroy McKoy.

**TONYTHORPE - Forward**

Tony made an immediate impact in the Town side when he scored for the Hatters in his full debut at Newcastle United, in the fourth round of the FA Cup in January 1994. He joined the club at the start of the 1992/93 season, following a spell at Leicester. He was restricted to just five substitute appearances during the 1994/95 campaign. Scored Luton's winning goal at Southend in August 1995 - the Hatters' first win of the season, and their first under Terry Westley. Signed a new contract in the summer of 1996, and went on to enjoy a record-breaking season, becoming the first Luton player since Malcolm MacDonald in 1970/71 to reach 30 goals.

**NATHAN ABBEY - Goalkeeper**

Luton Schools player who joined the club as a YT in June 1994, playing for the youth and reserve sides.

Made his senior debut in August 1997 in the Coca-Cola Cup against Colchester, following Ian Feuer's injury, and with Kelvin Davis cup tied.

**STEVE DAVIS - Defender**

Steve joined the Hatters in the summer of 1995 after making over 160 league appearances for Burnley, scoring 22 goals. He joined the Turf Moor Club in August 1991 for £60,000 from Southampton, after loans spells at Burnley and Notts County. He captained Burnley during their rise up the league into Division One, and played in both their victories over Luton in the 1994/95 season. Regular in the centre of defence last season.

**ANDREW FOTIADIS - Forward**

Andrew joined the Hatters on a full-time basis in the summer of 1996, aged 18, after staying on at school to complete his A-levels.

He had been a regular member of the youth and reserve sides in the proceeding two seasons, and won England Schoolboy caps at Under 15 and Under 18 levels.

Made a good impression in early league games, signing an extension to his contract in October 1996, and celebrated with his first goal for Luton in the 3-1 win over Walsall.

Suffered with injury in his first season, and also at the start of the 97/98 campaign.

**GARY DOHERTY - Striker/Defender**

Made his first-team debut as a substitute against Millwall in September 1997, whilst still a youth team player.

Born in Eire but educated in Luton, playing for the Luton Schools and Beds County teams.

Has represented Eire at Under 18 level, playing at centre-half where he started in the Luton youth side before being switched up front as an emergency striker.

**STUART DOUGLAS - Striker**

After an impressive scoring record in youth and reserve team football, Stuart made his first-team debut, as a second year trainee, against Oldham in November 1995, and scored after 41 minutes.

Injuries gave him a chance to press his claims for a starting place at the start of the 97/98 campaign, and he responded with the winner in the televised game against Southend in August.

**ALAN WHITE - Defender**

Signed schoolboy forms with Derby County, then was signed by Lennie Lawrence whilst he was at Middlesbrough on a 3 year contract where he was a substitute for the first team on a number of occasions, signing for Luton on 22nd September 1997.

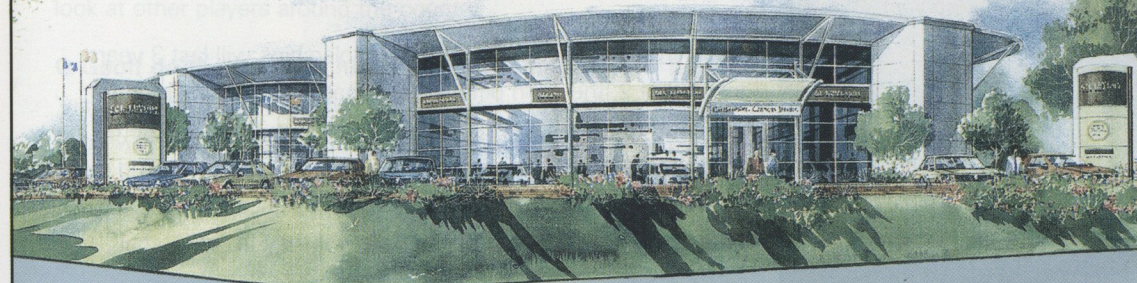
**PHIL GRAY - Forward**

Originally signed by Luton from Tottenham in August 1991 then transferred to Sunderland in July 1993 for £800,000 after having played 59 league games and 8 cup games for the Hatters scoring 26 goals. He then moved to Nancy in France in August 1996, then on to Fortuna Sittard in Holland in December 1996, coming back to Luton on 16th September 1997.

He has 25 international caps for Northern Ireland.



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We continue our series on Youth Development with a look at the Youth Team and the changes that are taking place. The Youth Team set up is in the capable hands of Neil McDonald and Geoff McDougle with the help of coaches Eric Kinder and Jim Parker.

Neil is mainly responsible for the playing side and coaching and Geoff is in charge of the lads welfare. But both are happy to help the other and see themselves very much as a team. Eric Kinder is an experienced coach who brings through lads from the U16's into the Youth Team. Jim Parker is a part time coach and physio. He's the man you see running onto the pitch with the "sponge" during A team games.

## Soccer Scholarships

As from the 6th July 1998 a new scheme Soccer Scholarships - will come into operation and PNE are one of the pioneer clubs who will develop this new FA backed training scheme. The old 2 year youth training scheme will be replaced by a 3 year Soccer Scholarship. The aim is to give aspiring footballers the chance to develop a set of skills for life so if they do not make it at football they have a set of skills, whatever they pursue - to fall back on. Too many lads have been leaving YT schemes around the country and finding they have missed their chance to obtain other skills.

For 1998/99 both the old system and the new system will run in tandem. The maximum number of players in the Youth Team squad will remain at 18. The team will continue to play in the Lancashire League First Division as they do now.

## NEIL MCDONALD AND GEOFF MCDUGLE ANSWER SOME QUESTIONS..

### Q Geoff what do you think the main differences will be between the old YT scheme and the new Soccer Scholarships?

Apart from the fact that the new scholarships will last 3 years instead of 2, the main difference is that the new scheme is intended to have a greater educational input. The old scheme in most people's view concentrated too much on football and did not offer the lads the chance to develop their education and gain skills that could give them a different career if they fail at football.

### Q Neil what is the drop out rate from the youth set up?

There are no hard and fast rules but realistically more lads fail to make the grade than go on to become regular first team players. In recent times Kevin Kilbane, David Lucas, Lee Cartwright and Lee Ashcroft have come through our Youth Training Scheme. That may not seem a large number but when you consider what these players would have cost the club to buy, it puts the importance of the youth set up in perspective. Of the current squad eight of the lads have turned out with the seniors in the reserves and acquitted themselves really well.

### Q Neil, why does the Youth Team play in the First Division of the Lancashire League when the Second Division would seem to be easier?

Fans look at the table and see that we are at the bottom but that doesn't tell the full story. Some teams like Crewe and Marine are playing full time players in the league and our lads are at a physical disadvantage. It's an open age league and like when we played Man Utd A recently they had two players who won championship medals, but by playing at this level the lads get invaluable experience which shows itself when they appear for the reserves. If they played in the lower league life would be easier but they wouldn't develop their game or get the same experience they do at the moment.

### Q Geoff how can we compete with the bigger clubs in this area attracting players to PNE?

This can be a problem, especially as there are so many clubs in

this region competing for lads. This is why the School of Excellence and the new Soccer Clinics will be important in attracting lads to PNE who will stay with the club from age 10 or 11. Some of the U 16's like Ronnie Wright and Stuart King have played for the youth team and hopefully will join the new Soccer Scholarship scheme in the summer. But we don't rely on the School of Excellence and we have regular scouting missions to look at other players around the country.

### Q Geoff do the lads still have to clean senior players' boots?

Yes they do. Each YT cleans two or three pairs of boots. It's a good way for the lads to build up contact with the senior players. More menial jobs that YT's used to do like cleaning dressing rooms etc are being phased out though with the emphasis being on education and football training.

### Q Neil what is the spirit like in the Youth Team?

We have a great bunch of lads and team spirit is top rate. Even though we are bottom of the Lancashire League the lads are putting everything into their games. I can't complain at all about the effort they show.

## Preston North End's 1997-1998 Youth Team

Back Row from left: Grant Beckett, Scott Bradford, Marc Boase, Darren Jones, Gavin Bates, James Connolly, Andy Old, Neil Ollerton, David Bridgewater and John Turner.

Front Row from left: Tristan Rhodes, Mark Beesley, Greg Clare, Geoff McDougle - Youth Development Officer, Neil McDonald - Youth Team Coach, Carl Butler, Alex Harrison and Stuart King.



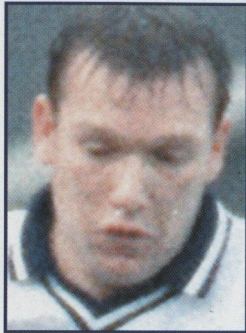
### Q How do you both see the future?

Neil - I think we have a great set up here and I know from the way the lads have performed in the reserves we are going the right way. The final proof of the pudding will be next year and the year after when we see which players make it at senior level.

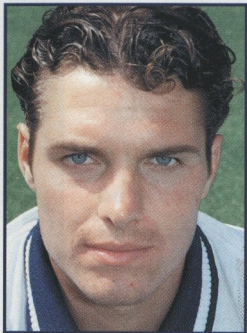
Geoff - With a re-vamped School of Excellence under Gary Peters and the new Soccer Scholarships I expect we will be able to produce more players for the senior squad than in previous years. But it is a long term project and some years we have a better crop of players than others.



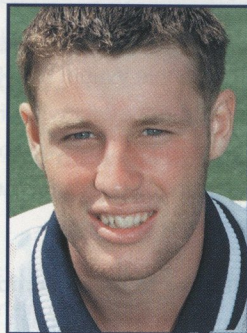
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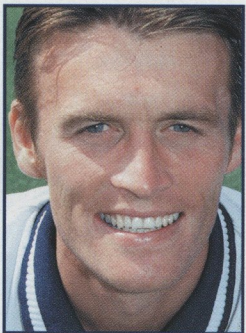
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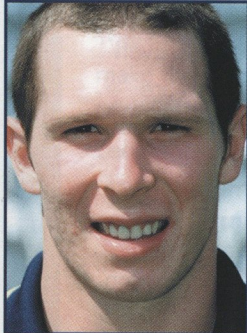
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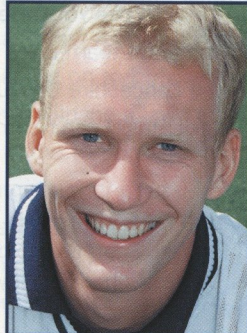
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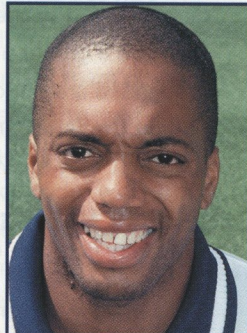
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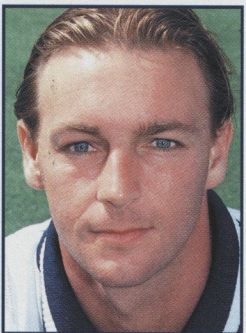
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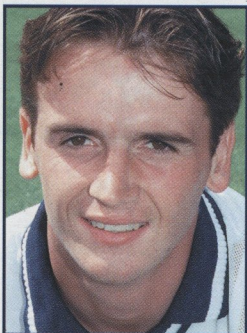
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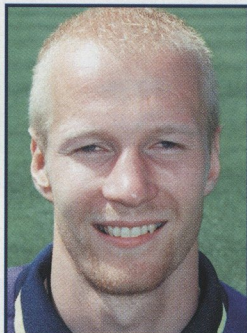
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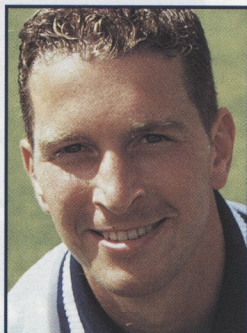
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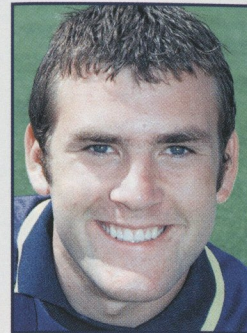


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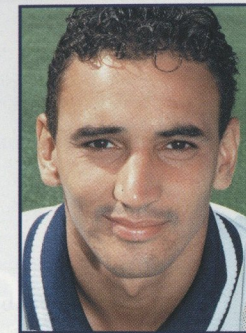
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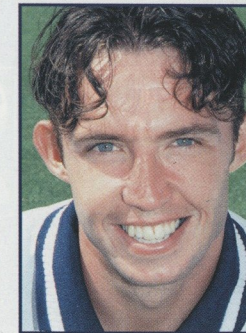
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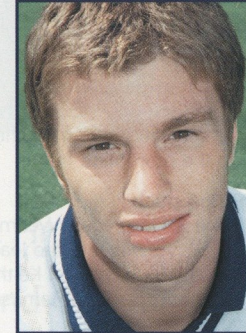
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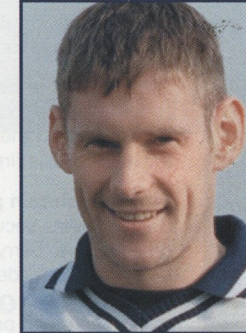
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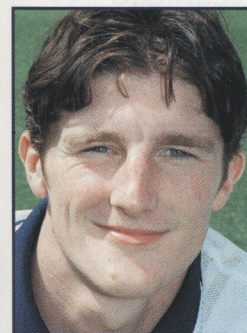
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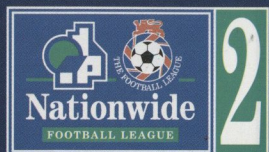


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# Division Two Round-Up

By Jamie Reid



## Transfer news

Southend have signed Simon Coleman on a free transfer from Bolton.

Blackpool have sold their Northern Ireland striker James Quinn to West Bromwich Albion for an initial fee of £300,000.

Marco Gabbiadini has joined York on loan from Stoke until the end of the season.

Watford defender Darren Ward is out of action for the rest of the season after fracturing his leg in a recent reserve game.

Mark Wilson has joined Wrexham on a month's loan from Manchester United.

Oxford striker Martin Aldridge has joined Southend on a month's loan and he scored on his debut against Plymouth.

Watford have signed Wolves striker Dominic Foley on a month's loan.

Manchester City's teenage striker Barry Conlon has signed for Plymouth on a month's loan.

Fulham have signed Luton striker Tony Thorpe for an initial fee of £800,000 which could rise to £1 million depending on the number of appearances he makes.

Because of print deadlines we are unable to bring details of last Saturday's games. However last week there was a full midweek programme and the review is from those matches.

### Spot on Bell keeps Championship dreams alive

Mickey Bell kept his nerve to secure a precious win for Bristol City as they look to finish the season as champions. Scott Murray won the penalty for the Robins when he was brought down by York keeper Mark Samways. The win for the Robins keeps them on course for an automatic promotion spot but the championship must remain their priority.

### Cherries defeat big spending Fulham

Steve Robinson scored the only goal of the game in the 38th minute to give promotion hopefuls Bournemouth a fine win over Fulham at Craven Cottage. Robinson's goal was the first conceded at home in the league by Fulham since 2nd December.

### Chesterfield continue impressive run

Chesterfield continued their fine run with an impressive 2-1 win over promotion rivals Oldham. Jon Howard put the Spireites into the lead on the stroke of half time and Mark Williams made it 2-0 after 63 minutes. Shaun Garnett pulled a goal back for the Latics in the 82nd minute but it proved only to be a consolation.

### Gills extend unbeaten run to nine games

Gillingham had to battle hard for a deserved 1-0 win over Northampton. Guy Butters scored the only goal of the game from the penalty spot and the win moves the Gills firmly into the promotion frame.

### Pirates maintain promotion push

Bristol Rovers secured a fine 3-1 win over Wycombe to keep their promotion dreams alive. Barry Hayles put Rovers into the lead just after half time, and Peter Beadle made it 2-0 in the 57th minute. Keith Scott pulled a goal back for the Wycombe to give them hope, but Tom Ramasut scored a third for Rovers to maintain their promotion push.

### Away day success for Wrexham

Wrexham overcame Burnley at Turf Moor to give themselves a chance of a play-off place. The Welshmen took the lead through Neil Roberts after eleven minutes but Andy Cooke made it 1-1 with his 15th goal of the season. Gareth Wilson then scored the winner for the Welshmen in the 64th minute.

### Score draw at Kenilworth Road

Luton and Wigan had to settle for a point each when they drew 1-1 in their game at Kenilworth Road. Graeme Jones put Wigan into a 16th minute lead but David Oldfield equalised in the 29th minute to leave both sides too close for comfort near the bottom of the league.

### Southend win moves them off bottom spot

Southend beat Plymouth 3-0 to move above Brentford at the foot of the table. Martin Aldridge fired Southend into a 40th minute lead and further goals from Kevin Maher and Richard Jobson secured the win for the Shrimpers.

### Brentford slip to the foot of the table

Brentford failed to win and slipped to the bottom of the table in their goal-less game with Walsall at the Bescot Stadium. The Bees will need to start winning their remaining matches if they are to avoid dropping into Division Three.

### Millwall deny leaders at the New Den

Millwall denied Watford a win when the two clubs met at the New Den in the game played on Wednesday. Paul Shaw put the Lions into a 26th minute lead but Tommy Mooney levelled the scores after 49 minutes to maintain Watford's lead at the top of the table. This result means Millwall have taken four points out of six against the leaders having won the game at Vicarage Road 1-0.



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I would like to extend a warm welcome to our visitors tonight. In November the YNE made their first away trip to Luton and we were well looked after by our Luton counterparts.



The YNE enjoying their Bowl & Ball Day out last week.

For the remainder of the season there are several more YNE trips :

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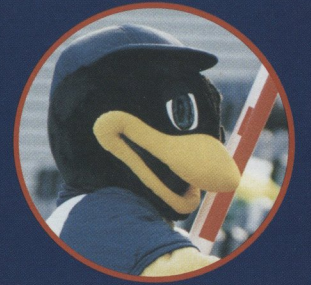


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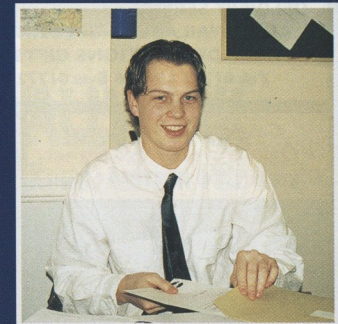
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Preston College work placement student Richard Bell busy arranging YNE application forms for next season.

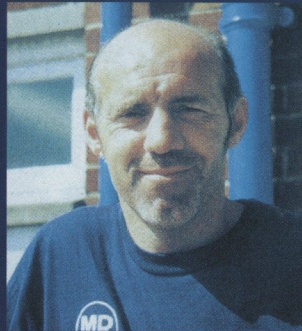


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# Injury Update



Still reasonably quiet on the injury front. Ryan Kidd returned at Bournemouth and Michael Holt continues to make progress after his serious knee injury. Michael played in the 'A' team last Saturday and came through with only minimal stiffness.

John Macken missed the trip to Bournemouth after suffering a 'knee in the back' at Villa Park during the reserve match there last Wednesday. Happily he joined in full training yesterday.

Mark Rankine saw a specialist last week regarding his abdominal injury. We have decided that he may continue for the foreseeable future and we will re-assess the situation after every game.

The matches are coming thick and fast now but so far the number of injuries has remained relatively low. Long may it continue.

*Bar.*

PS. I was talking to Lancashire Lynx manager, Kevin Tamati last week and I asked him where last season's pro, Stu, had gone to.

Stu used to come and see me every Monday with a horrific catalogue of injuries:- deep cuts, broken fingers, broken ribs, teeth missing. Yet incredibly I don't think he missed a single game.

'Oh we got rid of him' said Kev, he was soft' - talk about a mans game!

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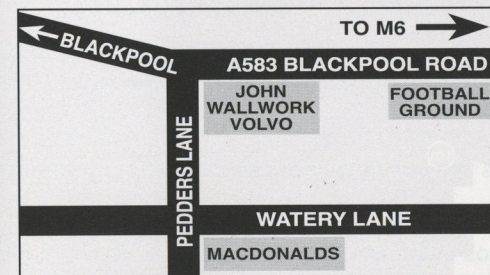
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We all model ourselves on someone.

In my case, it was Peter Jones, for me the greatest radio football commentator ever. The man had the lot.

A voice to die for, a quiet charm and the ability to paint the pictures of what was happening in front of him.

He had that great gift of involving you, even if you didn't particularly like the sport that he was covering, you just hung on his every word.

Sadly, he died on the Banks of the Thames on the day of the Boat Race which he was covering for radio and he hasn't, and never will, be replaced.

I know that he wouldn't mind when I admit to using one of his many classic lines of commentary 'The ball drops out of the night sky above'. This is something that I use during evening transmissions and always when I do, I think of Peter Jones.

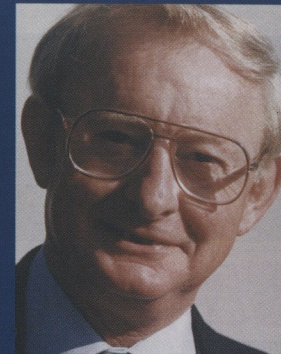
Other commentators of course have their place. Sir Peter O'Sullivan is a brilliant race reader and that is a very special talent.

Another Peter, Peter Alliss brings humour into golf which is most entertaining and the late Brian Johnston was a classic voice on cricket.

But the best of the lot, by a mile was Peter Jones.

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*Tom Parker*



**Tom Parker**

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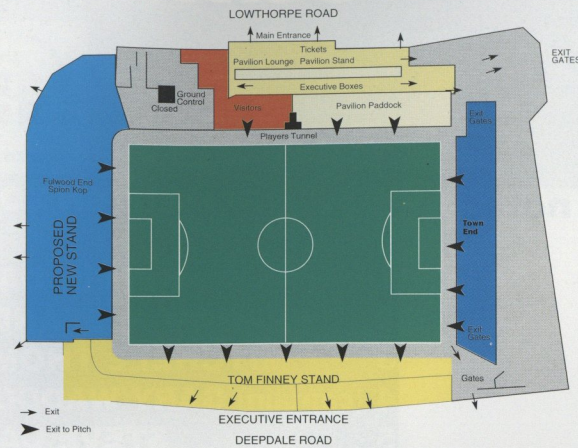
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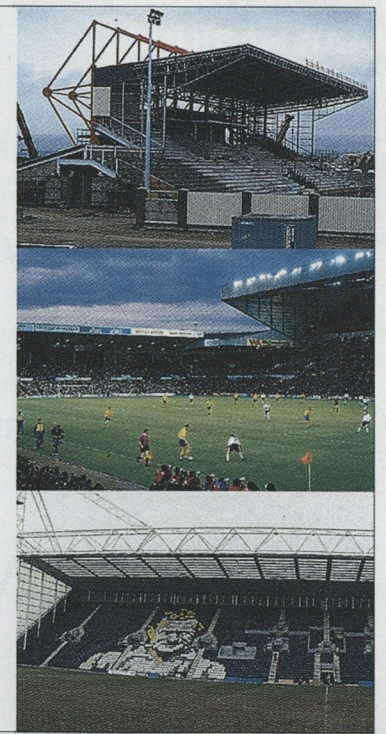
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<b>MICHAEL JACKSON</b>	<b>5</b>
<b>SEAN GREGAN (captain)</b>	<b>6</b>
<b>MICHAEL APPLETON</b>	<b>7</b>
<b>SIMON DAVEY</b>	<b>8</b>
<b>LEE ASHCROFT</b>	<b>9</b>
<b>HABIB SISSOKO</b>	<b>10</b>
<b>DAVID EYRES</b>	<b>11</b>
<b>LEE CARTWRIGHT</b>	<b>12</b>
<b>MARK RANKINE</b>	<b>13</b>
<b>JOHN MULLIN</b>	<b>14</b>

<b>KELVIN DAVIS</b>	<b>1</b>
<b>GRAHAM ALEXANDER</b>	<b>2</b>
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<b>4 (captain) GARY WADDOCK</b>	<b>4</b>
<b>STEVE DAVIS</b>	<b>5</b>
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<b>PHIL GRAY</b>	<b>10</b>
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