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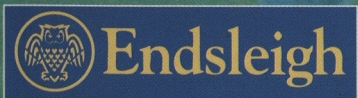
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Manager's *View*



With Chris Waddle

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CLARET AND BLUE
Review

WHILE we've been concentrating on our Second Division survival bid and the chance of getting to Wembley in the Auto Windscreens Shield, I know a lot of people have been talking about other things.

I know that the sale of Marlon Beresford last weekend came as a great surprise to a lot of Burnley fans.

But I still believe I was right to go through with it.

The new implications of the Bosman-ruling mean that Marlon could just have got up and walked out at the end of the season. He has been a great servant to the club, one of the squad's most consistent players and a great crowd favourite. But Burnley Football Club has invested a great deal of time, money and effort in Marlon's career. And I believed we deserved a decent fee for doing that. For the sake of eight or nine weeks, the money we were offered made a great deal of sense.

Marlon deserves his chance at a higher level and I am sure he will go on to greater things. And we now have the chance to give another truly great goalkeeper the chance to prove he still has a lot to offer the game.

Chris Woods made a confident debut at Walsall and then played very, very well at Grimsby Town on Tuesday night.

We could not have hoped for a better result than drawing the first leg of our Auto Windscreens Shield northern final at Blundell Park. And to get a score draw actually stands us in good stead for the second leg next week.

If we get to Wembley it will prove that we can play against and live with the best sides in the division. That competition has shown what we are capable of. And now we have got to prove it again in the league.

Two points from the last four games has seen us slump back down the table. But we all still believe that we can get away from the bottom four by coming up with another run like we had in January.

That run has got to start today against Luton Town – another of the clubs in trouble at the wrong end of the division. The last time we were at home I said that we had to win our home games – and hurt the other teams near the bottom. But we have failed to do either and that has landed us in some trouble.

We have 11 games to go and need to win half of them.

I believe one of them is today – and we need all of you to get right behind us to cheer us on to a much-needed victory.

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MEET EX-CLARETS IN OUR HOSPITALITY SUITE

In line with our normal procedure we have invited two former Clarets to join guests this afternoon in our North Stand Hospitality Suite. No doubt they will be well received and will cover the football talking points of the day. The ex-Clarets in attendance are Jimmy Thompson and Freddie Smith. Jimmy was a recent Striker Guest and we are delighted to welcome him back. Freddie, who was born on Christmas Day in 1942, is also most welcome. Freddie played over 100 games for the Clarets and scored a solitary goal, that came in the 1966-67 season. He also had spells at Portsmouth and Halifax Town.



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2BR broadcasts on frequency 107.5FM and the Focus programme allows guests to talk about their lives, up and downs in sport and play records of their choice - a local "desert island discs."
Tune in between 7.00 and 8.00pm.

There is now a Clarets Website
www.clarets.co.uk



FACE IN THE CROWD

If you are the person circled above in the crowd v Wrexham, you can claim a £25 voucher from the club shop.

Lorraine Leaves

Recently we said goodbye to **Lorraine Hanns** who for the past three years has been employed with us looking after the administration of the Lottery and Claret and Blue Bond. She also looked after Kit Sponsorship.

Everyone at the club wishes to express good luck to Lorraine in her next post.

Alison Loftus.

BIRTHDAY REQUESTS

Happy 11th Birthday to **ADAM PATE**
for Friday 13th March
Love from Mum, Dad and Lydia.

Happy 18th Birthday
RICHARD MELLOR for 15th March
From Mum, Dad & Ian

THANKS

Mr. Peter & Edward Harrand of Leeds, our Grandad and Uncle. Thanks for everything and looking after our Mummy - Love from Michael & Oliver xxx

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1920/21, 1959/60
DIVISION ONE RUNNERS-UP
1919/20, 1961/62
DIVISION TWO CHAMPIONS
1897/98, 1972/73
DIVISION TWO RUNNERS-UP
1912/13, 1946/47
DIVISION THREE CHAMPIONS
1981/82
DIVISION FOUR CHAMPIONS
1991/92
F.A. CUP WINNERS
1913/14
F.A. CUP RUNNERS-UP
1946/47, 1961/62
ANGLO-SCOTTISH CUP WINNERS
1978
SHERPA VAN TROPHY RUNNERS-UP
1987/88
CENTRAL LEAGUE CHAMPIONS
1948/49, 1961/62, 1962/63
F.A. CHARITY SHIELD WINNERS
1973/74
JOINT WINNERS
1960/61
F.A. YOUTH CUP WINNERS
1967/68
RECORD ATTENDANCE
54,775 v Huddersfield Town
F.A. Cup 6th round. 23/2/1924
RECORD VICTORY
9 - 0 Crystal Palace
F.A. Cup 2nd round replay, 1909
9 - 0 New Brighton
F.A. Cup 4th round, 1957
9 - 0 Penrith
F.A. Cup 1st round, 1984
9 - 0 Darwen, League 1892
MOST LEAGUE APPEARANCES
522 by Jerry Dawson
between 13/4/1907 and 25/12/1928
MOST LEAGUE GOALS
178 by George Beel
between 5/5/1923 and 6/2/1932
MOST LEAGUE GOALS IN A SEASON
35 by George Beel 1927/28 Division One
MOST MATCHES UNDEFEATED IN ONE SEASON
(Consecutive): 30. Season 1920/21
BURNLEY PLAYERS WITH MOST INTERNATIONAL CAPS
ENGLAND: Bob Kelly (11) 1920 /25
SCOTLAND: Jock Aird (4) 1954
N. IRELAND: Jimmy McIlroy (51) 1951/62
WALES: Brian Flynn (33) 1974/77, 82/84
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Division TWO Review

By Edward Lee

FLYNN SCOOPS MANAGER OF MONTH AWARD

Former Claret favourite Brian Flynn has been named Second Division manager-of-the-month for February. Four victories from five games saw the Robins haul themselves up to the fringe of the play-off pack by the end of the month.

And they started March with another point following a 2-2 draw with Carlisle.

Flynn will be able to celebrate his managerial award with a special magnum of champagne – and a special media lunch with the reporters who have seen him drag the North Wales club from the foot of the old Fourth Division to the fringes of the First Division.

Over the years, Flynn has done so well at the Racecourse Ground that he has been linked with a number of other jobs – not least with at least two vacancies here at Turf Moor.

But he has stuck to his guns and kept Wrexham in the hunt for the play-offs for several seasons.

Among the longest-serving managers in the Football League, his loyalty can only be admired.

But would he be tempted away by an offer of the manager's job with the Welsh national squad?

TOP TEN ATTENDANCES

16,128	Bristol City v Millwall	(Dec 26)
16,072	Watford v Bristol City	(Dec 13)
15,182	Watford v Luton Town	(Feb 14)
14,753	Bristol City v Northampton	(Jan 24)
13,812	Watford v York City	(Sep 27)
13,748	Burnley v Preston	(Sep 20)
13,441	Preston v Oldham	(Dec 26)
13,273	Fulham v Bristol City	(Dec 28)
12,567	Bristol City v Grimsby Town	(Jan 10)
12,530	Watford v Millwall	(Oct 18)

HISTORY REPEATING ITSELF

There were few surprises in last weekend's round of matches in the Second Division.

Watford kept up their title challenge with a 1-1 draw at **Blackpool** – but they have only ever lost once at Bloomfield Road.

Bournemouth had only one once in 13 previous visits to **Brentford's** Griffin Park – and lost 3-2.

Wycombe drew 0-0 at **Luton** – just as they did the only other time the clubs met at Kenilworth Road.

Gillingham had only three wins in 33 previous visits to **Millwall** – and lost 1-0.

Carlisle have only ever won once at **Wrexham** – and drew 2-2.

Wigan have not won at **York** since 1980 – and drew 2-2.

But there were a couple of surprises.

It is more than 50 years since **Northampton** recorded a victory at **Bristol Rovers** – but won 2-0 last weekend.

Grimsby had only one win in seven at **Southend** – but grabbed a 1-0 win.

And **Burnley** have only lost twice in seven visits to **Walsall** – and drew 0-0.

SECOND DIVISION PLAYERS IN WELSH SQUAD

Three Second Division players have been selected by Wales manager Bobby Gould for the forthcoming clash with Jamaica later this month.

Andrew Marriott, the Wrexham keeper once a loan star here at Turf Moor, will be hoping for further recognition having been selected.

Former Blackburn Robbers player Simon Coleman has not found the drop to the Second Division and the Keegan revolution at Fulham doing his international career any harm.

And the third player to make the grade is Bristol City's Rob Edwards.

Sales & Marketing

It seems a long time since we last played at Turf Moor - the postponement of the Blackpool match created something of a gap between the Wrexham game and today's clash against Luton Town.

Luton come with similar problems to our own - needing the points to pull clear from the relegation area. One of our best wins of the season was at Kenilworth Road in early season when a 3 - 2 victory was our First away win of the season. Our match sponsors would be happy with a similar scoreline this afternoon. **Modo Merchants** are regular sponsors here at Turf Moor. The Warrington based Company have over 80 guests here today and we trust they have a most enjoyable afternoon, we thank them for their continued support.

The same goes for Match Ball Sponsors **R.G.S. Sheet Metal** (formerly Rose Grove Stainless) and **Lomeshaye Electrical Distributors Ltd.**, who are the Programme Sponsors.

The three companies above will take home mementos of their visit to Turf Moor and we sincerely hope maximum points can be achieved to make it a perfect day all round.



Commercial Director Peter Davis presents a framed memento to Michael Bailey, MD of Cottage Holidays, in recognition of their Match Sponsorship v Wrexham



Match Referee Terry Heilbron receives the matchball from Ball Sponsor Apex Closing representative prior to kick-off.

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We have also distributed a few tickets at random, to a number of season ticket holders - I thank you in anticipation of your support.

Would you like to sell tickets for us - generous commission paid

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Wed August 19th '98

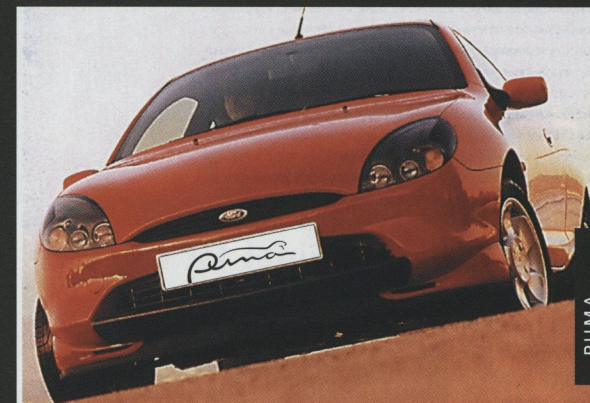
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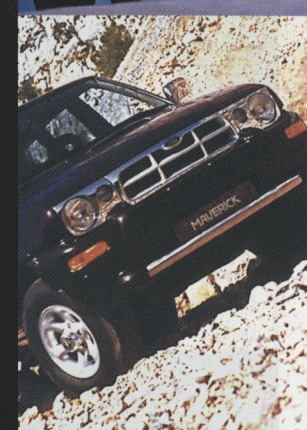
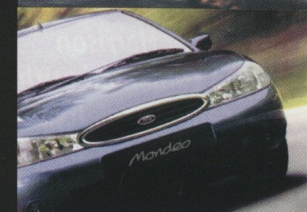
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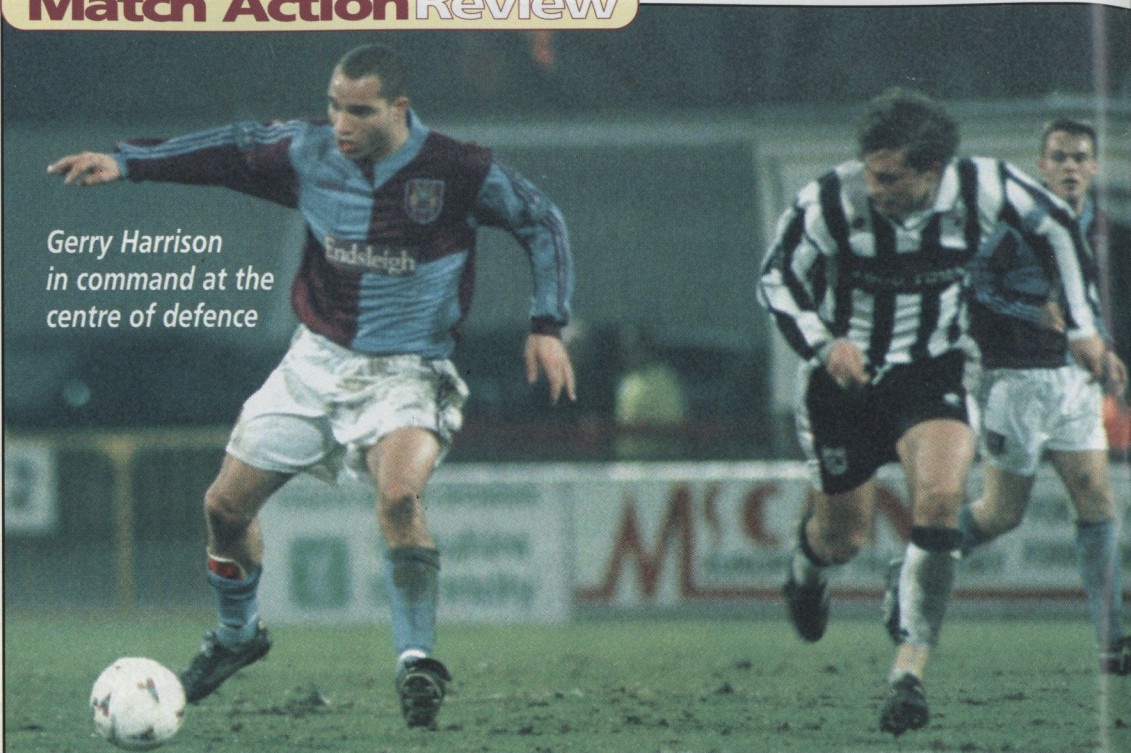
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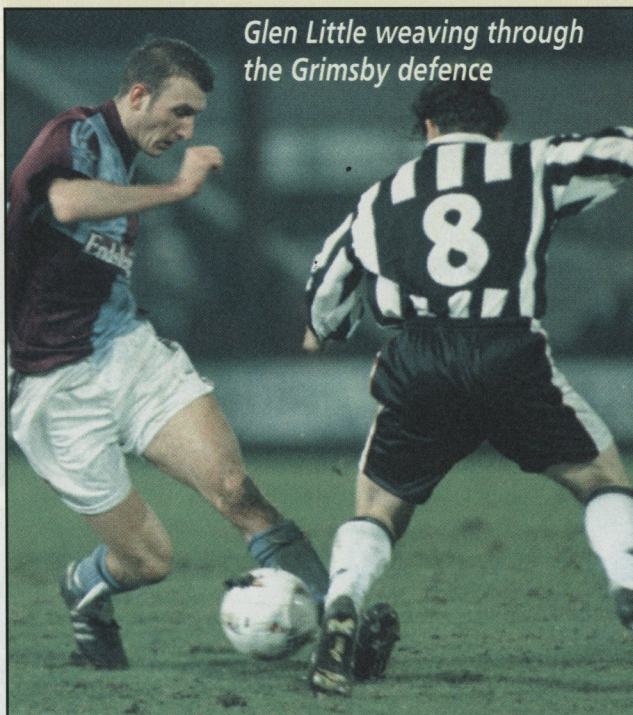
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Gerry Harrison in command at the centre of defence

Auto Windscreens Shield Northern Final 1st Leg
Grimsby Town 1 Burnley 1



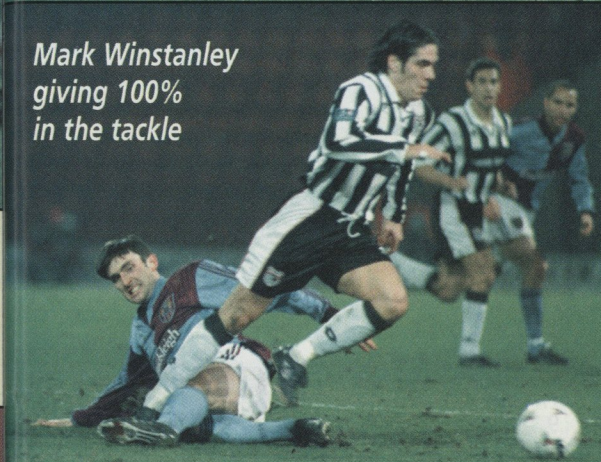
Glen Little weaving through the Grimsby defence



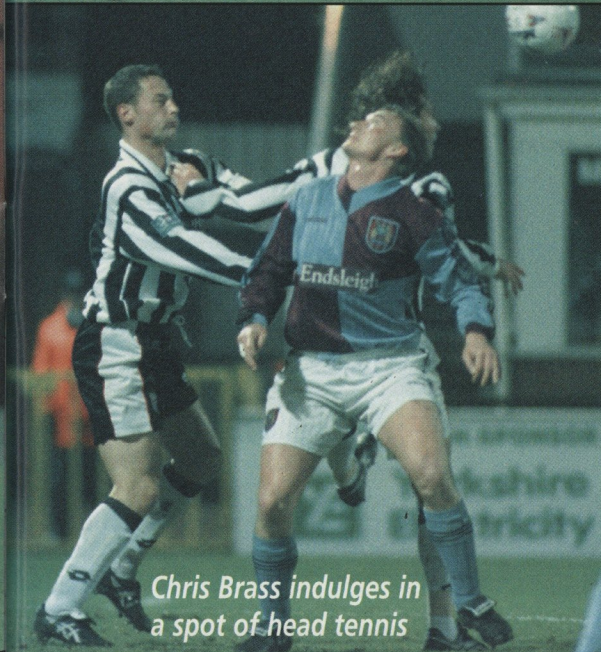
Vinnicombe on defensive duties



Chris Vinnicombe, who had a fine display at wing back, putting over a left footed cross



Mark Winstanley giving 100% in the tackle



Chris Brass indulges in a spot of head tennis

Walsall 0 Burnley 0

IN an average season, a point at the Bescot Stadium would do quite nicely. The Saddlers rarely get a hiding on their own patch.

Gerry Harrison was man-of-the-match in the heart of defence. He dominated the area as well as finding time for several of the no-nonsense upfield surges that have become his trademark. Alongside him Mark Winstanley and, in particular, Neil Moore were in fine form and that allowed Chris Brass and Chris Vinnicombe to support the midfield and attack.

Glen Little and Paul Weller fizzed around in midfield, constantly looking for new ways of breaking down the opposition and Mark Ford showed drastically improved form as he used his terrier-like abilities to the full. But no-one was able to keep a steady supply of balls going forward to Andy Payton or Andy Cooke and neither ever really looked like scoring.

Adrian Viveash marshalled the home defence excellently. And he proved to be Burnley's major stumbling block.

The first real chance didn't come until the 20th minute when Harrison won the ball deep in his own half, refused to let any one of four tackles deprive him of it and then unleashed a 25-yarder that was only inches over the top.

Vinnicombe made a great challenge to deny Didier Tholot at the other end and, in the 28th minute, Woods was called into action for the first time as he twice punched at crosses stemming from another corner.

The half-hour mark brought with it the chance of the game. Little intercepted on the half-way line and carried the ball forward. Swapping passes with Payton on the edge of the area, he burst through with just James Walker to beat - but the ball took a wicked bobble as he pulled the trigger and the resulting shot flew way over the top.

Another Harrison run ended with a free kick in a dangerous position, but Walker claimed Harrison's effort at the second attempt; Cooke then volleyed without any power after a good build-up and the half finished with Burnley definitely the dominant force.

For much of the second half, the Clarets had to soak up pressure. But they mainly did it in midfield and that gave them the chance of several breaks at Walker's goal. Roger Boli wasted a good early chance; Mark Blake shot straight back at Woods after the Burnley keeper punched a corner out to him and Vinnicombe again robbed Tholot when in another dangerous position.

Harrison and Woods got in a bit of a tangle at the other end and Tholot was only inches away from making the most of it. That forced Burnley forward and, as in the first half, they finished on top.

Deep into stoppage time, Deepdale dreams almost came back to life. Burnley had a corner and Little aimed it at Moore. But on this occasion the skipper could not aim it towards goal, tried to work it back into the danger area and the chance went begging.

Match by Match Review

CLARET AND BLUE

date & day	opponents	result	gate	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	Substitutes used (if any)			
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9 Aug Sat	Watford	0-1	11,155	Beresford	Huxford	Winstanley	Williams≠	Blatherwick	Brass	Waddle	Ford	Eastwood ‡	Barnes	Eyes	Matthew ‡	Hoyland ≠		
12 Aug Tue	Lincoln City (CCC 1-1)	1-1	3,010	" "	" "	Vinnicombe	" "	" "	" "	Winstanley	" "	Howey•	" "	" ‡	Matthew ‡			
16 Aug Sat	Gillingham	0-0	11,805	" "	" "	" ‡	" "	" "	" *	" "	" "	" "	" ≠	" "	Weller ‡	Waddle ≠	Matthew *	
23 Aug Sat	Southend	0-1	4,218	" "	" "	Winstanley	" ≠	" "	Howey	Weller	" "	Cooke	" ‡	" "	Waddle ‡	Matthew ≠		
26 Aug Tue	Lincoln City (CCC 1-2)	2-1	4,642	" "	" "	" "	Waddle	" "	" "	" "	Matthew	"•	" "	"•				
30 Aug Sat	Bristol Rovers	0-0	9,891	" "	" "	" "	" "	" "	" "	" "	" "	Duerden≠	" "	Gleghorn‡	Ford ‡	Moore ≠		
2 Sep Tue	Oldham Athletic	0-0	11,189	" "	Brass	" "	Weller	" "	" "	Waddle‡	Ford	Kiwomya≠	Matthew	Eyes	Barnes ‡	" ≠		
7 Sep Sun	Chesterfield	0-1	7,406	" "	Weller	Brass	Matthew	" "	" "	" ‡	" "	Cooke	Barnes	" "	C. Smith ‡	" "		
13 Sep Sat	York City	1-3	5,424	" "	" "	" "	Williams	" "	" "	Matthew≠	" "	" ‡	"•	" "	Kiwomya‡	Little ≠		
16 Sep Tue	Stoke City (CCC 2-1)	0-4	4,176	" "	" "	" "	" "	" "	" "	" "	" "	" "	" "	" "	Waddle ‡	" ≠		
20 Sep Sat	Preston North End	1-1	13,748	" "	Brass	Vinnicombe	Matthew	Harrison‡	" "	Weller	" ≠	Howey≠	" "	" "	" ‡	Creaney≠	Kiwomya*	
24 Sep Wed	Stoke City (CCC 2-2)	0-2	6,041	" "	" "	" "	" **	Gentile	" "	Waddle‡	Creaney	" ≠	Cowans	" "	Weller ‡	Little ≠	Huxford*	
27 Sep Sat	Brentford	1-2	4,548	" "	" "	" "	Harrison	Howey	" "	" "	Ford•	Creaney	Barnes ‡	" "	Cowans‡	" "		
4 Oct Sat	Wycombe Wanderers	2-2	9,057	" "	" ‡	" "	" "	" "	" "	" "	" "	"•2	" "	" "	Weller ‡	" "		
11 Oct Sat	Carlisle United	3-1	10,687	" "	" "	" "	" "	Winstanley	" "	" ‡	" "	"•2≠	"•	" "	" ‡	Cooke≠		
18 Oct Sat	Wrexham	0-0	5,132	" "	" "	" "	" "	Howey‡	" "	" ≠	" "	" "	" *	" "	Williams‡	Weller≠	Cooke*	
21 Oct Tue	Plymouth Argyle	2-2	3,006	" "	" "	" ‡	" "	" "	" "	" "	" "	"•	" "	"•	Weller ‡	" "		
25 Oct Sat	A.F.C. Bournemouth	2-2	9,501	" "	" "	" ‡	" "	" "	" "	"•	Williams*	" ≠	" "	" "	" ‡	Cooke≠	Little*	
1 Nov Sat	Walsall	2-1	9,293	" "	" "	" "	Cowans	" "	" "	" ≠	" "	" *	" ‡•	" "	Cooke‡•	P. Smith≠	Blath'wick*	
4 Nov Tue	Luton Town	3-2	5,315	" "	" "	" "	" ≠	" "	" "	" *	"•	"•‡	"•	" "	" ‡	Blath'wick≠	P. Smith*	
8 Nov Sat	Blackpool	1-2	7,429	" "	" ‡	" ≠	" "	" "	" "	" "	" "	"•	" "	" "	" ‡	" ≠		
15 Nov Sat	Rotherham Utd (FAC-1)	3-3	5,079	" "	" "	" ≠	" **	" "	"•	" ‡	" "	Cooke•	" "	Weller•	P. Smith‡	" ≠	Harrison*	
18 Nov Tue	Millwall	1-2	8,834	" "	" ≠	" ‡	" "	" "	" "	Weller	" "	"•	" "	P. Smith	Blath'wick‡	Harrison≠		
22 Nov Sat	Grimsby Town	1-4	4,829	" "	" "	Weller•	" ‡	Blatherwick	" "	Waddle≠	" "	" "	" "	" **	Ford ‡	" ≠	Carr-Lawton*	
25 Nov Tue	Rotherham Utd (FAC-1r)	0-3	3,118	" "	" "	Howey	" ≠	" "	" "	" ‡	" "	" "	" "	Weller	" ‡	" ≠		
29 Nov Sat	Northampton Town	2-1	8,369	" "	" "	Vinnicombe	Harrison	" "	"•	" "	Ford	Howey≠	"•	" ‡	Cooke‡	Matthew≠		
2 Dec Tue	Bristol City	1-3	11,136	" "	" "	" ≠	" "	" ‡	" "	" ‡	" "	" "	"•	" "	Matthew‡	Cooke≠		
13 Dec Sat	Wigan Athletic	0-2	9,520	" "	" "	" ≠	" "	" ‡	Howey	" "	" "	Cooke	" "	" "	" ‡	P. Smith≠		
19 Dec Fri	Fulham	0-1	5,096	" "	" "	Weller	" "	Moore	" "	Matthew‡	" "	" "	" "	Williams≠	Waddle ‡	Little ≠		
26 Dec Fri	Chesterfield	0-0	10,861	" "	" "	Vinnicombe≠	" "	" "	" "	" "	" "	" "	" "	" ≠	Little ‡	P. Smith≠		
3 Jan Sat	Gillingham	0-2	5,886	" "	" "	" ‡	" "	" "	" "	" "	" *	" "	" "	" ≠	P. Smith‡	Little ≠	Waddle*	
10 Jan Sat	Watford	2-0	9,551	" "	" "	Winstanley	" "	" "	Little	Waddle‡	" "	"•2	Smith	Matthew	Blath'wick‡	" "		
17 Jan Sat	Bristol Rovers	0-1	7,208	" "	" "	" "	" "	" "	" ≠	" "	" "	Payton	" "	" ‡	Robertson‡	Hoyland≠		
24 Jan Sat	Southend Utd	1-0	9,386	" "	" ‡	" "	" "	" "	" "	" "	" "	Weller≠	Payton•	" "	" ‡	Blath'wick≠		
27 Jan Tue	Notts County (AWS-2)	2-0	2,442	" "	Weller	" "	Hoyland	Blatherwick	"•	Robertson	" ‡	Cooke•	"•	Smith	Vinnicombe‡	" "		
31 Jan Sat	York City	7-2	9,975	" "	Brass•	" "	Harrison	Moore•	Little	Weller	Robertson	"•3	"•	Matthew	Hoyland‡	" "		
3 Feb Tue	Carlisle United (AWS-3)	4-1	4,573	" "	Williams≠	Vinnicombe•	" "	" "	" "	Hoyland	Ford*	"•	"•‡	Smith	Henderson‡	Brass≠	Weller*	
7 Feb Sat	Preston North End	3-2	12,263	" "	" "	Brass	Winstanley	" "	"•	" "	Weller	Robertson	"•‡	"•	Matthew	" ‡		
14 Feb Sat	Wycombe Wanderers	1-2	5,926	" "	" "	" "	" "	" "	" "	" ‡	" ≠	"•	" "	" "	Blath'wick‡	Henderson≠		
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24 Feb Tue	Wrexham	1-2	8,576	" "	" "	" "	" "	" "	" "	" "	" ≠	"•	" "	Hoyland‡	" ‡	Weller≠		
28 Feb Sat	Carlisle United	1-2	7,192	" "	" "	" "	" "	" "	" "	Ford*	" ‡	"•	" "	Weller≠	Henderson‡	Blath'wick≠	Hoyland*	
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28 Mar Sat	Grimsby Town			" "	" "	" "	" "	" "	" "	" "	" "	" "	" "	" "	" "	" "		
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NEWS FROM THE PROMOTIONS OFFICE

STRIKER GUEST TODAY: Mick Docherty

For today's visit of Luton Town we extend a warm welcome to Mick Docherty, our Striker guest who will be making the half time draw.

Mick is sure to receive a warm welcome. After Tommy Docherty was instrumental in arranging the apprenticeship of his son at Turf Moor, Michael soon demonstrated his leadership qualities, captaining the young Clarets to the epic F.A. Youth Cup success of 1968. He was one of the driving forces from midfield and was one of the many players from that fine side to go on to a successful professional career.

His professional signing at Turf Moor was no surprise, he had originally signed for Chelsea as an apprentice but father Tommy, then manager at Stamford Bridge soon realised the place for his youngster was at Turf Moor, described by many as "The finest soccer academy in the country."

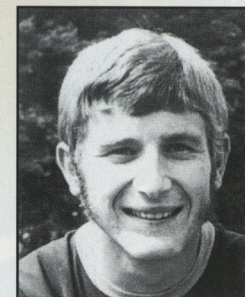
He made the Clarets Central League side at 17 and won four English Youth International Caps. He was still only 18 when he made his Clarets

debut on 14th December 1968 v Stoke City at Turf Moor.

He became an established first team player appearing in both midfield and at full back during the Clarets relegation season of 1970/71. Mick Docherty only scored one goal in his entire professional career with Burnley - and that covered 168 appearances - it came against Herts in an Anglo Scottish Cup tie at Turf Moor.

In April 1973 Mick suffered an injury which was to haunt him for the rest of his career. Torn knee ligaments were diagnosed and though promotion was just about secured, the end of the season celebrations culminating in the championship winning draw at Preston were to pass him by, and when the new season began in a higher division at Sheffield United he was injured again and he virtually missed the whole of seasons 1973/74 and 1974/75.

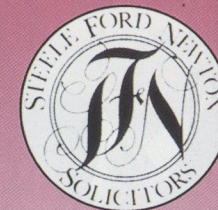
Thanks for coming along today Mick, your many friends here at Turf Moor will no doubt be delighted to see you.



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Today's Visitors



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 Bayce, Moses Jerry, Michael McIndoe, Andre Scarlett, Delroy McKoy.

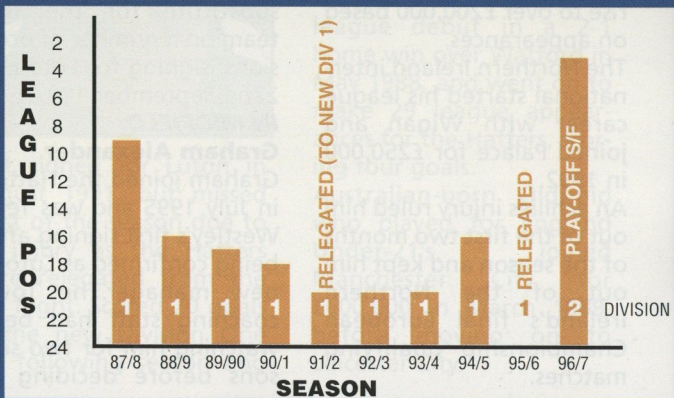
Meet the Manager • Lennie Lawrence

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. Lenny left Charlton in 1991, and 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 Lenny left in 1994, when Bryan Robson took over at Ayresome Park. After a short spell at Bradford City, he joined Luton in 1995, but was 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.

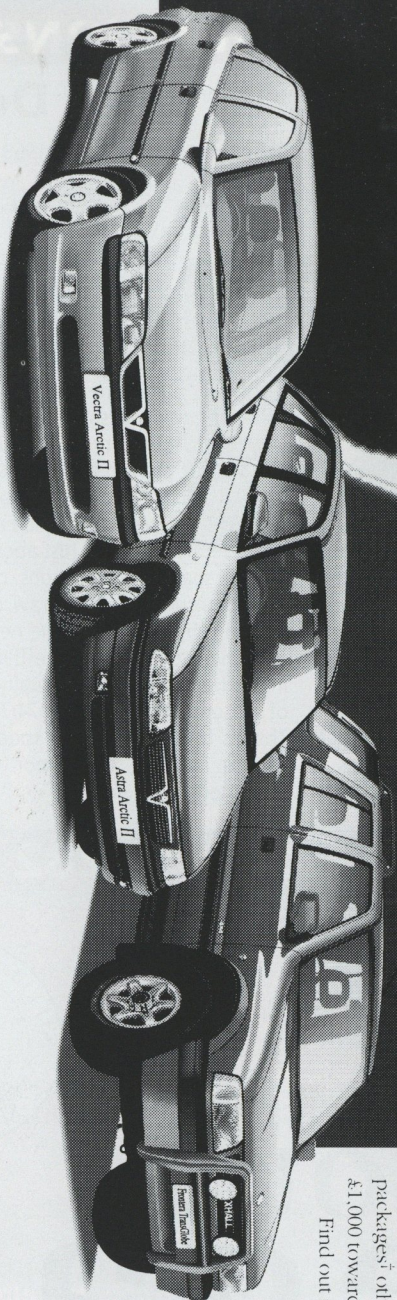


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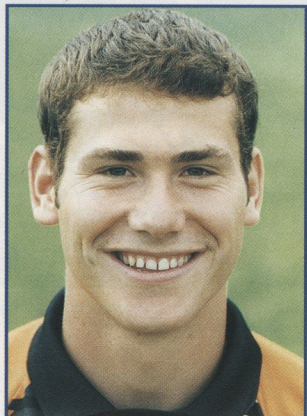
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Luton Town Player Profiles

IN DEFENCE

Kelvin Davis



Kelvin is a highly rated keeper who made his league debut for the Hatters in the final day of the 1993/94 season.

Kelvin was selected for the England Under-21 squad for the Toulon Tournament in June 1995. Signed new four-year contract 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.

Darren Patterson

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.

Steve Davis



Steve joined the Hatters in the summer of 1995 after making over 160 league appearances for Burnley, scoring 22 goals. He joined the Clarets in August 1991 for £60,000 from Southampton, after loans spells here and Notts County.

He captured Burnley during their rise up the league into Division One, and played in both victories over Luton in the 1994/95 season. Regular in the centre of defence last season.

Alan White

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.

IN MIDFIELD

Graham Alexander

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

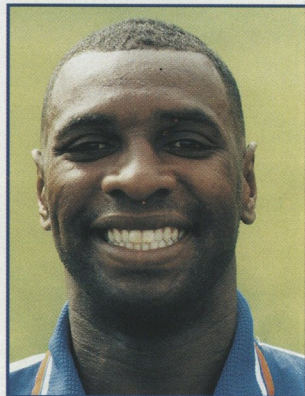
make their move, with the fee in the region of £100,000, with further payments depending on appearances. A regular on the right hand side of mid-field, he played in all but one of Luton's league matches in the 96/97 season.

Paul McLaren

Paul joined the Hatters from school, and is an England youth international.

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



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.

Sean Evers

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.

Simon Davies

Joined the Hatters from Manchester United in the summer of 1997.

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

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. His consistent display in 1995/96 were rewarded with the Players' Player of the Year Trophy. Team captain in 96/97 and 97/98.

UP FRONT

Andrew Fotiadis

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 preceding 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.

Phil Gray



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.

Dwight Marshall

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.

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.

David Oldfield

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 a two-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.



PAST MATCHES

With Wallace Chadwick



On 29th March 1997, Luton visited Turf Moor, and Tony Thorpe's two goals gave the Hatters a victory which seemed likely to see them well on the way to automatic promotion, while Burnley's own promotion hopes, raised by victories at Brentford and Walsall, seemed to have received a setback. There was a crowd of 15,490 here that afternoon. Last August, many would have expected a similar gate for today's clash, which would surely be between two of the Second Division's pace-setters. Well, the game is certainly a vital one for both clubs as they aim to move away from the clutches of the drop, but it was inconceivable seven months ago that either team would be in its present position.

Burnley and Luton first met exactly a hundred seasons ago, the first game being at Turf Moor on 13th November 1897. It was Burnley's twelfth game of the season and their tenth win, a convincing one by 4 - 0; they went on to take the Second Division title this season, losing only twice along the way. One of those defeats was at Luton, who won 2 - 0 at their old ground in Dunstable Road.

The next meeting came in January 1935 in a fourth round F.A. Cup tie, which Burnley won 3 - 1 against opponents then playing in the Third Division (South). It was a good season in the Cup for the Clarets, who reached the last four after a notable quarter-final victory by 3 - 2 against Birmingham, a game recalled as a classic for many years afterwards.

Luton were promoted to Division Two two years later, and the sides met in that division in the two seasons just before and one just after the Second World War. Burnley had the edge in that spell, thanks mainly to a 3 - 1 win at Kenilworth Road in the promotion season of 46/47, with Harry Potts scoring twice. The teams also met that season in the fifth round of the F.A. Cup, and Ray Harrison hit a hat-trick to give the Clarets a replay victory as they moved towards Wembley.

The Hatters finally reached the First Division in 1955, and they encountered another Clarets hat-trick hero on their first visit to Turf Moor at that level, Peter McKay scoring all three in the 3 - 1 win for Burnley; McKay obviously enjoyed playing against Luton as he hit another two on the final day of the

55/56 season when the Clarets won 3 - 2 at Kenilworth Road. It was Luton's turn to do the double two seasons later, though, and they added to the insult by winning 6 - 2 at home in 58/59. The season after that saw the clubs separate once more, as Burnley finished top of the First Division and Luton bottom.

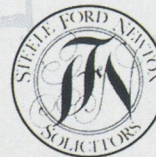
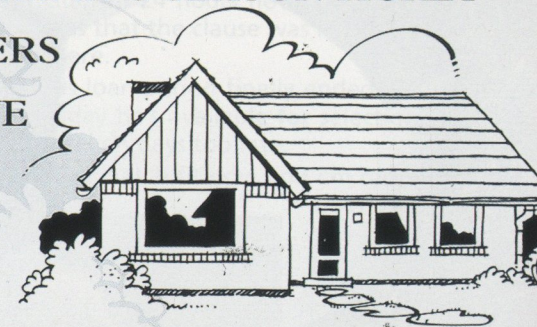
The most sustained spell of rivalry between the sides came following Burnley's relegation to the Second Division in 1971. Fourteen meetings between then and 1980 included two in the top flight in 1974/75. Ray Hankin (2) and Leighton James were the scorers in a 3 - 2 win at Kenilworth Road, while Billy Ingham scored the only goal on the Turf to complete the double and send Luton closer to the drop. Burnley followed them down the following year, and each side recorded a double over the next two years.

The eighties were good years for Luton, who spent most of that decade in the top flight, but not of course for the Clarets who sank to the basement division. They met in the second round of the League Cup in 1988/89 and Burnley certainly belied the difference in status, drawing 1 - 1 at Kenilworth Road (Paul Comstive scored from the spot) before going down bravely to a Ricky Hill goal in the Turf Moor replay. The game here drew a crowd of 14,000, more than double the gate at Luton.

League rivalry finally resumed in the new First Division in 1994. It was of course a wretched season for Burnley, but they managed a fourth double against Luton, Liam Robinson netting the only goal at Kenilworth Road, while John Mullin and Gerry Harrison scored in the 2 - 1 home win. Last season saw the first ever meetings at this level. Burnley started the season in style when Steve Thompson and Kurt Nogan did the damage on Luton's ground, but, as noted above, the Hatters gained revenge in March. The Clarets made it three in a row at Kenilworth Road.....surely one of their favourite grounds!.....last November when Michael Williams, Gerry Creaney and Paul Barnes (none of them likely to feature today) were on target in a 3 - 2 victory which made the overall score a healthy 19 - 11 in Burnley's favour, with seven matches drawn. If past form is to count for anything, the Clarets will seldom need its help more than this afternoon.

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Centre Spotlight

Parks Life!

Interview By Kevin Emmott

The Loneliness of the Long Distance Goalkeeper. It could be said that goalkeeping is one of the loneliest jobs in the world, in every sense of the word.

Firstly you're stuck at the back there, stomping your feet and occasionally shouting for your defenders to move out of the way.

Secondly, there's only one of you on every team. You're the odd man out - not only do you have to wear a different strip to everyone else, but you're the only one allowed to use your hands. *Not fair!*

Lastly - and perhaps most importantly - by choosing a career between the sticks

you've got to be very, VERY good to get your chance.

Or very lucky.

It's something that Burnley keeper Tony Parks knows all about. He's been in the game for nigh on 20 years now, and it's make or break time. When Marlon Beresford left for Middlesbrough last weekend, Tony thought his chance had come at last. But in a cruel twist of fate his big chance was thwarted by the smallest of small print.

"People forget you very quickly in football," says Tony. "People know my name isn't on the teamsheet and will be thinking things like: "Well, he's probably not doing well in

training...." You've got to make people aware that you can play."

Which is precisely the reason he was so keen to go out on loan to Doncaster.

But - and not a lot of people know this - there is a clause in a loan agreement that states a club can recall a player from a loan club on 24 hours notice. The problem here was that the clause was missing. 'Just wasn't there.

His loan period finally ended this week, and today he's available for selection...but today is seven days too late.

"I'm match fit now and I'm raring to go, but



Chris Woods got the nod ahead of me on Saturday. So from the outset he's got a headstart on me and he's the man in possession. To be fair to him he did ever so well - you can't ask for more from a goalkeeper than keep a clean sheet in that first game. But it's up to me now to start putting the pressure on."

And that's the crux of the problem. Why would Chris Waddle give Tony a chance if Chris Woods is keeping the ball out of the net? No reason at

all. Like it says above, it's lonely up there.

"I'd like to see it as a fair fight for the number one shirt now. All term Marlon has been doing a tremendous job - at no point this season did he deserve to be left out of the team, so we didn't get the opportunity. But now the situation has completely turned around, and it's up to me to prove that I can do it.

"But it's a two horse race and whoever plays well will stay in the team. If Chris puts in a consistent performance week in, week out then I'd be the first to shake his hand. But if the situation arises then I'd like to think the manager will give me a fair crack of the whip as well.



CLARET AND BLUE
Review **Tony Parks**

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Centre Spotlight



He turned professional at Tottenham in 1980 after the classic Roy of the Rovers scenario of working his way through the ranks at the North London side.

And he soon made a name for himself. Despite the oppressive shadow of England keeper Ray Clemence looming over his every move, Tony helped Spurs to UEFA Cup glory against champions Anderlecht - and their first victory in the cup since 1972.

And what a way to win it.

"The game went to penalties after two 1-1 draws, and I ended up saving two of those penalties - the first and the last one, which put us 4-3 up.

I suppose in football terms there aren't many games that are bigger than a European final, and I'd have to say that to do that at the age of 21 was a huge thrill."

But things have moved on since then, and Tony has made sure he's not been left behind.

After a four season stint with Falkirk, a move to Lillestrom fell through at the last minute, leaving him without a club just weeks before the start of the season. Blackpool quickly picked him up, but delight soon turned to despair at Bloomfield Road.

Aye, we're back to that old problem again.

"Unfortunately for me that was the year that their keeper - Steve Banks - decided to play a blinder all season! He had an unbelievable year...I've honestly never seen anyone who has played so well so consistently!"

He's settled in the Blackpool area, and the self-confessed ex-London patriot can't ever see himself going back to the big smoke. No, he's happy enough up here, thank you.

Which makes it all the more important to ensure he keeps going as long as he can.

"It's a lot less hassle in this part of the world and I feel a lot more settled up here.

I suppose I'm not what you'd call young anymore, but there comes a time you have to start thinking about your children, and it's unfair to start pulling your kids around the country at this stage.

"I live just outside Blackpool and my boy is 11 now. At the end of the day, I'm coming to the end of my career and the next phase of his schooling is more important than the next phase of my career."

"I suppose in football terms there aren't many games that are bigger than a European final, and I'd have to say that to do that at the age of 21 was a huge thrill."

"It can be very frustrating and as a keeper you have to be very patient. If the man in front of you is doing his job and doesn't deserve to be dropped you can't expect to get called up in his place just because you know you can do it. You have to wait your turn."

Tony's contract at Burnley is up at the end of the season, and the 34 year old former-Spurs hero wants nothing more than to stay up north with his family.

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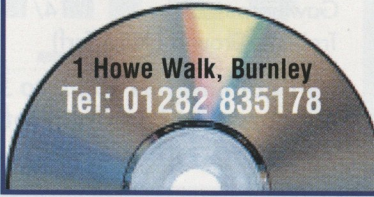
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Community News with DEAN RAMSDALE



Good afternoon and welcome to today's fixture against Luton Town.

Special Birthday Treat

Martin Carlton celebrated his 9th birthday on the 8th March but was more than happy to wait a further week for his birthday treat. Martin, who attends St. Andrews School, Oswaldtwistle, will enjoy a V.I.P. Birthday Treat with his family to today's game.



He is looking forward to meeting the players especially his favourite player Chris Brass.

If any child or adults wish to know more about the different Birthday Parties on offer just ring the Community Office.

SAINSBURY'S SIGN UP FOR CASCADE

Our new three year project has received its first sponsor, Sainsburys have offered to back our Special Needs Coaching Programme, my thanks go to Mr. Paul Clapham who is the manager of the Burnley branch. The money donated will allow the project to extend and expand the current package on offer, the introduction of BT Awards and match visits can now be available to all who attend. If any local companies wish to back Challenges And Soccer Can Aid Development in Education I

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would welcome a call. All the money generated from Cascade will be regenerated back into the local Community to provide help and coaching where it is needed. Our aims are simple.

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- To reduce the potential for young people to participate in crime, anti-social behaviour, drugs or alcohol misuse.
- To provide the opportunity for people, particularly young people to develop their sporting skills and obtain training and employment.
- To assist in building and enhancing the range of sporting skills and qualifications in local communities.
- To bring parent/adults and children together through joint participation and community activity.
- To break down cultural and other barriers through sport.

Enjoy the game and - 'Come on you Clarets'

Dean Ramsdale & Anthony Barlow
Community Officers.

Birthday Greetings to Kyle Allum, Stuart Gaynor, Jack Overson and Joseph McArdell who are all celebrating their special day with a party at Turf Moor



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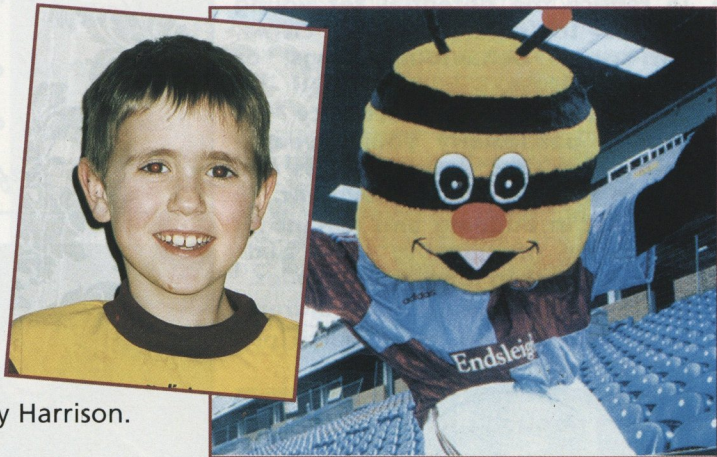
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Good afternoon and welcome to today's game against Luton Town.

A special welcome to today's mascot Howard Tattersall (pictured right). Howard is 8 years old, lives in Crawshawbooth. He attends Bury Grammar School. His hobbies are football and playing on his Nintendo 64. His favourite player is Gerry Harrison.



Bertie Bee on his travels again!

The JC&B Club will be travelling to Wrexham on Easter Monday and to Oldham on Tuesday 28th April.

The trip to Wrexham is limited to 12 children only, places are filling up fast. Book now to avoid disappointment.



Pictured are Danielle and Emma Law, (both JC&B members) on holiday in Tenerife.

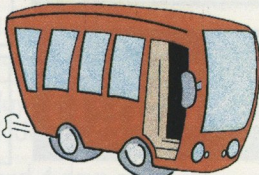
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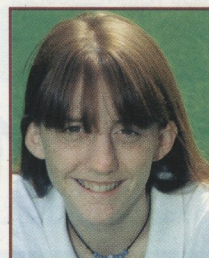
The Bertie Bee Away Day will be traveling to the match against Oldham Athletic on Tuesday 28th April **SO WHY NOT JOIN US !!!**

The trip is open to families, but children can come on their own as the trip will be fully supervised.

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Angela Booth
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by ANDREW GREAVES



Kevin Henderson

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Schools:
Amble Middle School,
Amble Coquet High School

Honours:
County Youth Cup Winner

Hobbies:
Golf, fishing & socialising

Biggest Influence:
My parents

Favourite Food:
Chips

Favourite Drink:
Grapefruit Juice

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Newcastle United

Favourite Player:
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Hopes for the future:
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Behind the Scenes

Commercial Break

If life is a pantomime, PETER DAVIS is Little Jack Horner.

Interview by Kevin Emmott

The man's got his fingers in so many individual pies that it's hard to believe that he's only got two hands. In short, he's a busy man

To trace his journey through the ranks of

the Turf Moor back-room staff would be too complicated to go into here.

In short then: Kicking off in the Lottery department six years ago, he switched to the club shop, overseeing the development of the Superstore in the North Stand. And now he's holding the umbrella that covers them both - and more besides.

To say he's a ubiquitous character doesn't even come close.

He's also got the dubious pleasure of appearing as a *Behind the Scenes* victim twice in one season.

His rise through the ranks has gone hand in hand with a with a total re-haul of the commercial department...and it's no coincidence that he's at the forefront of it every step of the way.

But it's not as though he waltz's into these positions. The post of Commercial Manager - *the position he won back in November* - was advertised nationally and Peter took his place in the queue like everyone else.

And there have, to be fair, been a few changes since he took the hot seat.

"It's really three departments in one -

there's the whole lottery set up, all the club sponsorship and the shop," he says.

"So one of the first things I tried to do was to get the whole of the commercial department working together as a team, try and integrate it more and get everyone helping each other out. And although that's been achieved I don't think it was in any way it was a personal achievement...it was a real

team effort from day one, and without the help of Alison Loftus and John Stringer in the Lottery department, and Irvine Holtom and Caroline Gilford in the shops I would have quickly run into problems."

As a result, the ship couldn't be tighter if it were squeezed into a corset. And the reason for all this? Why, to broaden the horizons of the football club and make it not only a

venue for league football, but a cornerstone of the local community.

How so? To illustrate:

"I think it's important to be able to use other peoples particular skills and talents and by trying to bring other parts of the ground together I feel that as a club we can achieve more. For example, with Richard Collier, who manages the Leisure Centre behind the North Stand, we've arranged to host an international Handball competition next year, and we've recently got involved in the Burnley Town Centre Partnership.

"As a football club we have a great deal to offer. It's not always good enough to bring the people to the club, so we've got to try

to bring the club to the people."

And why not?

The other side of the commercial department is to raise funds for the club. Peter reckons both sides of the operation just as important in their own way.

Firstly - for the fans.

"I went into the job as a fan, and as a fan I couldn't help thinking that I could do it better! For me that side of it is vital to the success of the department. For example, if somebody approaches me with plans for a raffle, we might give them a VIP day for two to a game...and they're over the moon. Because it's a side of the club that they don't often see. If you can offer fans a meal and introduce them to players at the end of it they're made up.

"Secondly, it's one of the main ways that football clubs build up revenue. And the lower the division you're in, the more important it is to the survival of the club - and the harder the job is!

"Imagine the commercial manager at Manchester United...he's got all his corporate boxes sold for the next five years, and with a queue waiting for the next five. All his ground boards are sold and someone's writing all his programme notes for him. He 's sat on cloud nine.

"Compare him with the poor bloke at Doncaster Rovers. He's struggling to get folk to sponsor games. Clubs like Rochdale, who have an average crowd of 2,000, rely on the money that Commercial Department brings in to keep them running. The days when the crowds were so big the gate paid for everything are long gone."

As a Clarets fanatic - ask him anything about the past three decades of Burnley Football Club and odds are he'll know the answer - Peter reckons it helps a great deal when he's angling for sponsors.

"Oh, without a doubt," he says. "It definitely helps to be a fan. In fact, I think that's probably one of the reasons why I got the job. When you go and see the sponsors,



some them are huge Clarets fans and they want to talk about the old days, the glory days and what's gong on at the club now. So you've got to know the stuff, and if you're a fan it's already locked away up there. At the end of the day it's all part and parcel of selling BFC.

"Not knowing about the club would be like selling a car and somebody says "What size is the engine?" You can't get away with telling them it's a big 'un and hoping for the best...it's not going to get you anywhere!"

Peter admits that his first priority when he took over was to sort out all the sponsorships - be it match sponsorship, matchball or programme. And if the team isn't performing - and let's face it, there's been some of that at Turf Moor this season - it makes the job more difficult.

Doubly so in Peters case.

"It can be very frustrating - it definitely effects the corporate side of things. You feel that if the team can get a good run together, more people would want to sponsor the club.

"And it's sometimes depressing when we lose - it can ruin your whole week."

Hands up who thinks that's the Commercial Manager speaking?

BFC PLAYERS STATISTICS SEASON '97/98									
Player	League			Cups			Total		
	App	SubAp	Goals	App	SubAp	Goals	App	SubAp	Goals
Barnes	24	(1)	6	5	-	-	29	(1)	6
Beresford	34	-	-	9	-	-	43	-	-
Blatherwick	13	(7)	-	6	(1)	-	19	(8)	-
Brass	33	-	1	7	(1)	-	40	(1)	1
Cooke	18	(8)	12	8	-	4	26	(8)	16
Cowans	5	(1)	-	3	-	-	8	(1)	-
Creaney	9	(1)	8	1	-	-	10	(1)	8
Duerden	1	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-
Eastwood	1	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-
Eyres	13	(1)	1	4	-	1	17	(1)	2
Ford	23	(4)	1	5	(1)	-	28	(5)	1
Gentile	-	-	-	1	-	-	1	-	-
Gleghorn	1	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-
Harrison	23	(2)	-	4	(2)	-	27	(4)	-
Henderson	-	(3)	-	-	(2)	1	-	(5)	1
Howey	19	-	-	5	(1)	1	24	(1)	1
Hoyland	1	(4)	-	2	(1)	-	3	(5)	-
Huxford	4	-	-	2	(1)	-	6	(1)	-
Kiwomya	1	(2)	-	-	-	-	1	(2)	-
Little	10	(5)	1	4	(2)	1	14	(7)	2
Matthew	15	(6)	-	5	(1)	-	20	(7)	-
Moore	27	(2)	3	7	-	1	34	(2)	4
Payton	9	-	3	4	-	4	13	-	7
Robertson	6	(3)	-	2	(1)	-	8	(4)	-
Smith (C)	-	(1)	-	-	-	-	-	(1)	-
Smith (P)	4	(6)	-	2	(1)	-	6	(7)	-
Vinnicombe	18	-	-	5	(1)	1	23	(1)	1
Waddle	20	(5)	1	4	(1)	-	24	(6)	1
Weller	20	(7)	1	5	(1)	1	25	(8)	2
Williams	13	(1)	1	4	-	-	17	(1)	1
Winstanley	17	-	-	4	-	-	21	-	-
Woods	1	-	-	1	-	-	2	-	-

WHAT HAPPENS NOW?

The 1-1 draw at Grimsby Town on Tuesday has certainly set up the return leg nicely.



But there seems to be confusion in some quarters, mainly surrounding "our away goal" scored by Andy Payton at Blundell Park. The answer is that the 'away' goal has no significance and we start level pegging on Tuesday night. If the scores are level after 90 minutes on Tuesday then 2 x 15 minute periods will be played. If the scores remain level after the period of extra time then penalties come into play. However should a goal be produced in extra time, that will be a golden goal, and the game is over.

NATIONWIDE LEAGUE DIVISION TWO

Leading Scorers as at 10th March

	League	Cup	Totals
	App	App	App
ROGER BOLI	11	11	22
Walsall			
TONY THORPE	15	5	20
Fulham (19 for Luton Town)			
BARRY HAYLES	17	2	19
Bristol Rovers			
ADIE AKINBIYI	16	1	17
Gillingham			
SHAUN GOATER	16	1	17
Bristol City			
ROBERT TAYLOR	12	5	17
Brentford			
ANDY COOKE	12	4	16
Burnley			
PAUL PESCHISOLDO	12	3	15
Fulham (6 for West Brom)			

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Our home form's deserted us,
a draw with Brentford 'Bees'
And a loss against Wrexham,
has us back on our knees.
We're back in the zone
doomed for the drop,
With wins at home, we'd be nearer the top.

With Preston beaten and Grimsby to play
We know we're heading for Wembley Way.
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by Harry Sweeney.

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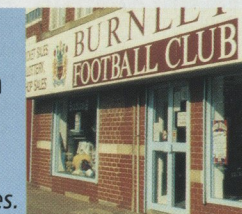
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Reserve Review

TOMO makes his mark • Wrexham Res 4 Burnley Res 4

The Clarets faced a tricky away game in the Pontins League last week at Wrexham who were looking to do the double over the Clarets after winning here 2 - 1 back in September. The Clarets were looking to take all three points for their promotion push as they found themselves fifth in the table ten points behind leaders Shrewsbury but with three games in hand, while Wrexham led next to bottom of the league.

In awful condition the Clarets lined up as follows with player manager Chris Waddle and Lee Howey both coming back from injury.

Woods, Williams, Heffernan, Scott, West, Heywood, Waddle, Robertson, Howey, Tomlinson, C.Smith (Graham).

Wrexham started the game the more positive and took the lead after eleven minutes when a cross came shot from Thomas left Woods stranded and when the ball came back off the post Martyn Chalk was on hand to fire past Heywood on the line. Wrexham with the swirling wind behind them increased their lead ten minutes later when Connolly broke from a Clarets attack and fed Chalk and while the Clarets defence looked for off side the Wrexham striker added his second of the night firing low under Woods. The Clarets got back into the game on the half hour mark and it was the vision of player manager Waddle who flighted an excellent through ball for striker Graeme Tomlinson to

lob over Walsh in the Welshmens goal. Chris Woods had to be alert in the Clarets goal saving well from Ward and Connolly before the Clarets grabbed an equaliser on the stroke of half time.

Williams and Waddle worked well down the right and Waddles cross was met by Lee Howey who steered his header into the corner of the net from twelve yards out.

This gave the Clarets the incentive in the second half and for the first time in the game took the lead on the hour mark when a Robertson ball left Tomlinson in the clear to add his second of the game calmly lifting over the advancing keeper. Graeme Tomlinson gave his chance of becoming a Clarets player permanent on seventy two minutes when after a long Woods goal kick Howey headed on for Tomlinson to show his pace and add his third of the night and give the Clarets a four two lead.

Disaster struck for the Clarets in the final eight minutes of this game when on 82 minutes a Thomas cross was side footed home by Mazzarella and with five minutes remaining substitute Paul Roberts latched onto a loose ball just outside the area and his low drive sneaked past Woods into the corner of the net to end a thrilling game 4 - 4 with both teams having to settle for a point.

PONTINS LEAGUE DIVISION 2

	P	W	D	L	Pts
Barnsley	18	10	4	4	34
Shrewsbury Town	17	10	3	4	33
Rotherham United	18	9	4	5	31
Blackpool	16	9	4	3	31
BURNLEY	15	8	3	4	27
York City	16	6	5	5	23
Bradford City	18	7	2	9	23
Sheffield United	18	7	1	10	22
Stockport County	17	6	4	7	22
Lincoln City	17	6	2	9	20
Carlisle United	17	4	4	9	16
Wrexham	17	4	3	10	15
Rochdale	16	3	3	10	12

LANCASHIRE FOOTBALL LEAGUE

Division One	P	W	D	L	Pts
Manchester Utd A	22	17	4	1	55
Blackburn Rov A	24	12	6	6	42
Manchester City A	25	11	7	7	40
Everton A	20	11	6	3	39
Burnley A	21	11	3	7	39
Crewe Alex Res	19	11	2	6	35
Liverpool A	22	10	4	8	34
Oldham Ath A	23	9	4	10	31
Wrexham A	25	9	4	12	31
Bolton Wand A	21	8	5	8	29
Bury A	22	6	8	8	26
Tranmere Rvrs A	23	7	4	12	25
Morecambe Res	22	5	8	9	23
Stoke City A	21	5	6	10	21
Preston NE A	22	2	6	14	12
Marine Reserve	22	3	3	16	12

Division Two	P	W	D	L	Pts
Blackburn Rov B	28	21	4	3	67
Everton B	26	18	5	3	59
Man Utd B	27	17	3	7	54
Tranmere Rov B	27	17	3	7	54
Blackpool A	26	16	3	7	51
Wigan Ath A	28	14	4	10	46
Stockport A	27	13	5	9	44
Wrexham B	28	12	5	11	41
Liverpool B	27	12	4	11	40
Man City B	28	12	2	14	38
Oldham Ath B	26	11	5	10	38
Crewe Alex A	24	11	4	9	37
Chester City A	28	9	4	15	31
Burnley B	23	8	4	11	28
Rochdale A	26	7	6	13	27
Carlisle United A	25	5	7	13	22
Bury B	25	5	4	16	19
Morecambe A	26	2	5	19	11
Marine Youth	28	1	4	23	7

PONTIN'S

AUGUST		
13 WED	BLACKPOOL	2-2
27 WED	SHREWSBURY T	0-1
SEPTEMBER		
3 WED	ROTHERHAM	0-0
10 WED	YORK CITY	3-1
24 WED	WREXHAM	1-2
30 TUE	SHEFFIELD UTD	4-0
OCTOBER		
8 WED	CARLISLE UNITED	2-0
15 WED	BARNLEY	4-0
29 WED	STOCKPORT C	3-1
NOVEMBER		
5 WED	OLDHAM (Cup)	1-2
11 TUE	BRADFORD CITY	1-4
DECEMBER		
17 WED	BLACKPOOL	4-2
FEBRUARY		
4 WED	WREXHAM (Cup)	1-1
18 WED	SHEFFIELD UTD	1-3
24 WED	ROCHDALE	3-0
MARCH		
4 WED	WREXHAM	4-4
11 WED	ROCHDALE	2-1
25 WED	LINCOLN CITY	
APRIL		
1 WED	STOCKPORT C	
8 WED	BRADFORD CITY	
22 WED	CARLISLE UTD	
29 WED	BARNLEY	

Home Reserve games (IN BOLD)
Kick off at 7.15pm.
Clarets score first.

Coming Up Next...

BURNLEY v GRIMSBY TOWN

Tuesday 17th March 1998. Kick-off 7.45pm.
Auto Windscreens Northern Area Final
2nd Leg (1 - 1 aggregate).

Tickets for the Grimsby game are on open sale now from the ticket office.

* We must stress that no concessions will be available at the turnstiles but they will be available from the ticket office right up to kick-off.

Anyone wishing to purchase concessions is advised to purchase as early as possible to save themselves from the delays of matchday queues.

MILLWALL v BURNLEY

Saturday 21st March 1998. Kick-off 3.00pm.

Burnley fans travelling to Millwall need not purchase tickets in advance as all supporters are requested to pay at the turnstiles. Prices £10 adult and £6 concessions.

BURNLEY v GRIMSBY TOWN

Saturday 28th March 1998 Kick-off 3.00pm.

Tickets are on open sale from the ticket office as from Tuesday 17th March 1998.

Nationwide League Division Two

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Watford	36	20	11	5	53	30	71
Bristol City	36	20	9	7	58	29	69
Grimsby Town	34	16	10	8	45	27	58
Northampton	37	15	13	9	42	30	58
Fulham	36	16	9	11	46	32	57
Gillingham	36	15	9	12	44	42	54
Wrexham	35	14	12	9	44	42	54
Bristol Rovers	37	15	8	14	54	55	53
Bournemouth	36	13	11	12	46	41	50
York City	37	12	14	11	44	46	50
Oldham Athletic	35	12	13	10	48	40	49
Chesterfield	37	11	15	11	34	35	48
Blackpool	36	13	8	15	46	53	47
Wycombe	37	11	14	12	41	46	47
Millwall	35	12	9	14	36	42	45
Walsall	34	11	10	13	35	38	43
Preston NE	36	11	9	16	40	43	42
Carlisle Utd	36	11	8	17	48	53	41
Wigan Athletic	34	11	8	15	48	53	41
Plymouth Argyle	36	9	12	15	44	54	39
Luton Town	36	9	12	15	40	51	39
Brentford	37	8	14	15	39	58	38
Burnley	35	8	11	16	40	48	35
Southend Utd	36	9	7	20	36	63	34

TODAY'S OTHER FIXTURES

Bournemouth v Wrexham
Bristol City v Bristol Rovers
Carlisle United v Brentford
Fulham v Millwall
Gillingham v Chesterfield
Grimsby v Walsall
Northampton v Blackpool
Preston North End v York City
Watford v Southend United
Wigan Athletic v Oldham Athletic
Wycombe Wanderers v Plymouth

BFC TICKET OFFICE OPENING HOURS

MONDAY to THURSDAY:

9.15am TO 5.00pm,

FRIDAY: 9.15am to 7.00pm,

SATURDAY (MATCHDAY):

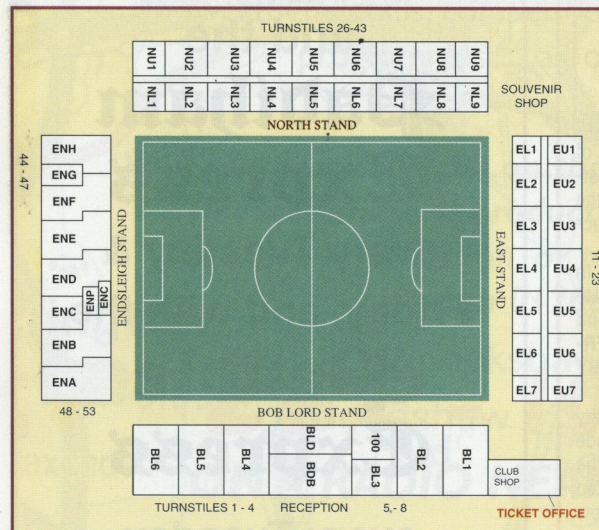
9.15am to 5.00pm

SATURDAY (NON-MATCHDAY):

9.15am to 1.00pm.

CONCESSIONS are available in all areas except East Stand Lower Tier. Concessionary prices will only apply if a ticket is purchased from the ticket office prior to kick-off.

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Chris WOODS	1	Kelvin DAVIS
Chris BRASS	2	Graham ALEXANDER
Mark WINSTANLEY	3	Mitchell THOMAS
Gerry HARRISON	4	Matthew SPRING
(c) Neil MOORE	5	Steve DAVIS
Paul WELLER	6	Darren PATTERSON
Chris VINNICOMBE	7	Sean EVERS
Mark FORD	8	Paul McLAREN
Andy COOKE	9	David OLDFIELD
Andy PAYTON	10	Phil GRAY
Mark ROBERTSON	11	Dwight MARSHALL
Lee HOWEY	12	Simon DAVIES
Jamie HOYLAND	13	Andy FOTIADIS
Chris WADDLE	14	Gary WADDOCK

TONIGHT'S OFFICIALS

Referee: Mr. M.L. Dean

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