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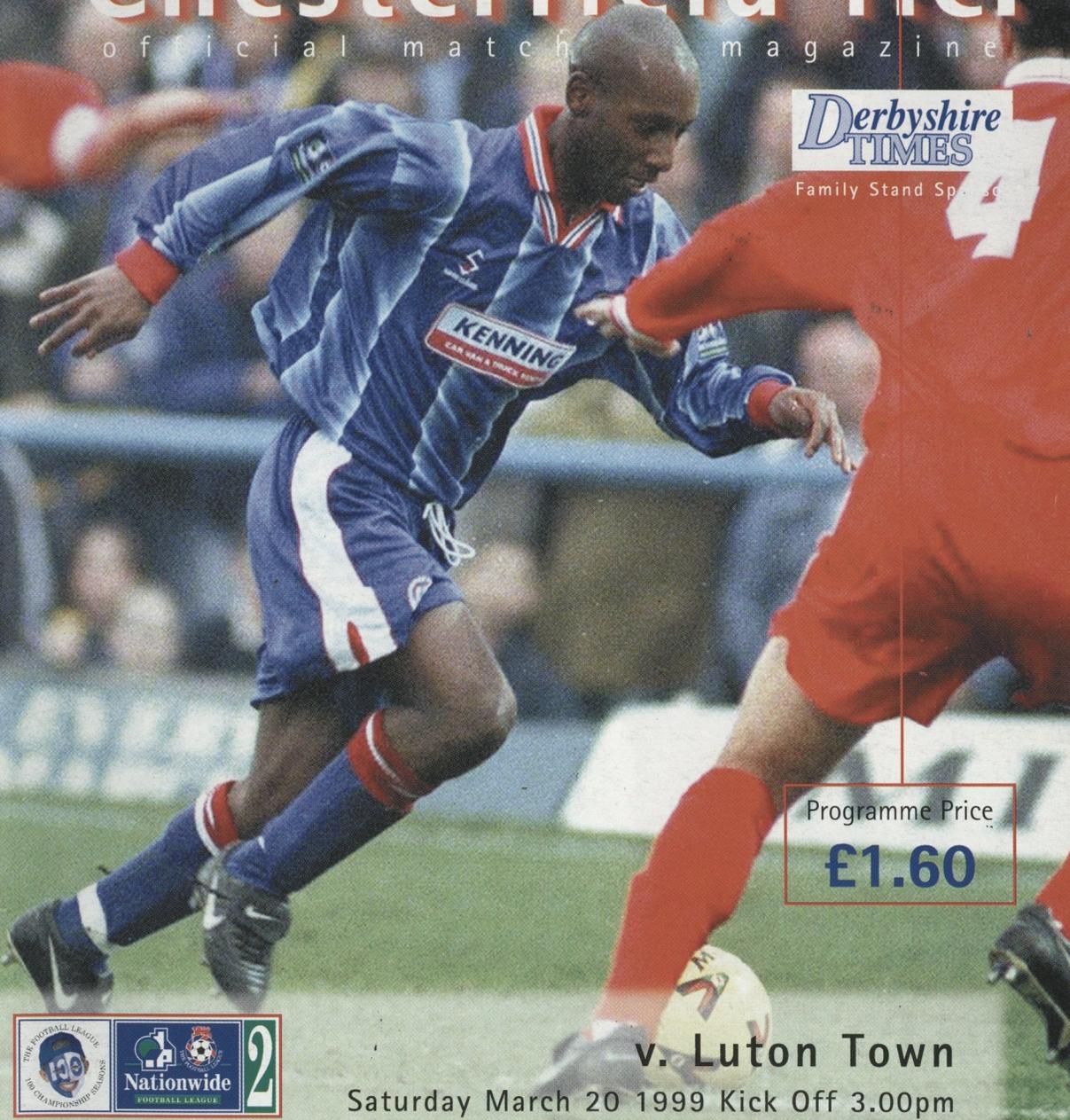
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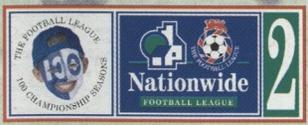
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News and views straight from the dugout



Congratulations must go to Mark Williams for his inclusion in the Northern Ireland squad for the Internationals against Germany and Moldova.

This recognition is just reward for his performances for Chesterfield over the years. His enthusiasm to work and improve his game is second to none and I'm sure he'll acquit himself well in the elevated company.

He and fellow centre half Ian Breckin missed last weeks defeat at Lincoln. Their replacements had little chance to train and prepare together but still managed to cope well with a very lively Lincoln front line conceding very few goalscoring opportunities. Our three front men also worked hard but were unable to get the finishing touches to some well-worked moves.

All round however we felt that we weren't at our sharpest on the day and have been working hard this week to remedy that.

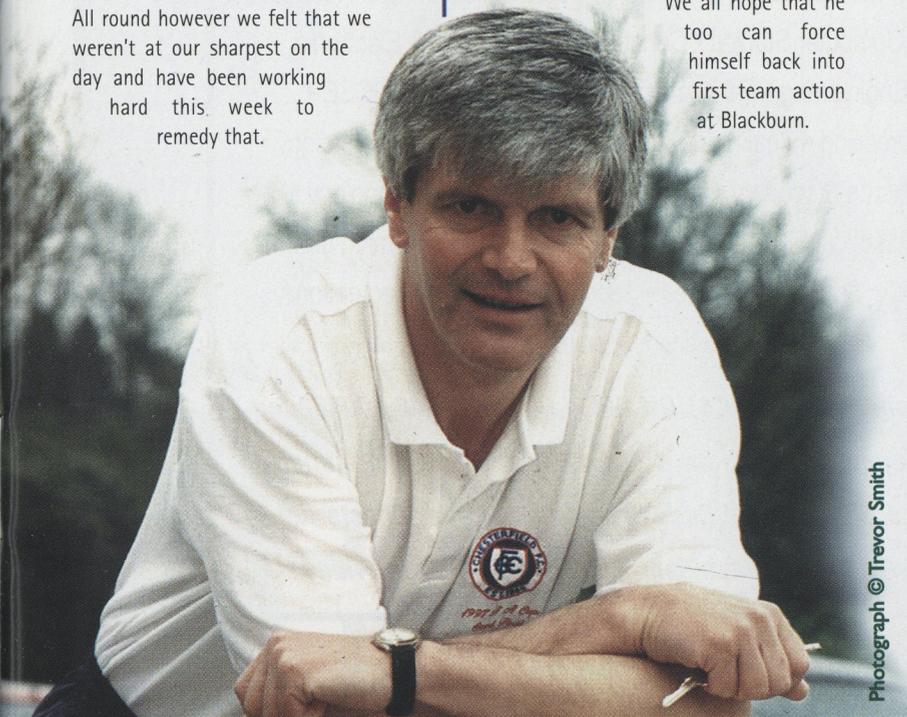
Luton Town are always lively opponents, they started the season well but have slipped recently. Our old captain Sean

"International recognition is just reward for Mark's performances for Chesterfield over the years"

Dyche was there on loan and helped them through a difficult period. He is now fully fit and back at Bristol City where we hope he can re-establish himself.

Another ex-player appeared at Saltergate last week - Kevin Davies.

We all hope that he too can force himself back into first team action at Blackburn.



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Nationwide news

Ollie Pardo's Division Two round up



This afternoon we welcome Lennie Lawrence's Luton Town to Saltergate. The Hatters have not been enjoying a good season and on current form have taken only three points from the last six matches and are sliding dangerously close to the relegation zone. Last Saturday, Luton went down 2-1 at home to Stoke City whose form has also been particularly poor recently. Our former skipper Sean Dyche has just completed a lone spell at Kenilworth Road, so we probably won't see him today.

The Second Division Manager of the Month Award for February went to Gillingham's Tony Pulis after a magnificent series of results for the Priestfield side. So what do the Gills go and do last Saturday? They got hammered 4-1 at Wigan Athletic, who themselves moved closer to the play off places. Remember also the Mazda Centenary Goal Challenge? Well, the award for February went to Preston North End who scored an impressive twelve goals in five matches. The Lily Whites will receive a specially commissioned Mazda cut glass trophy and £500 to a Charity of their choice.

Talking of trophies, tomorrow sees the final of the Worthington Cup at Wembley between the 1997 winners, Leicester City and Tottenham Hotspur. I'm sure that all Spireites will be

supporting the Foxes tomorrow, because it's always better to be able to say that the Cup winners beat your team! Leicester, of course, also play in the same colours as the Spireites. Next season's first round Worthington Cup dates have already been set. The first leg will be the week beginning August 9th with the return leg a fortnight later.

Attendances in the three divisions of the Nationwide Football League have already hit the ten million mark as gates move towards yet another annual increase. The 1997/98 season brought a record 13,587,946 through the turnstiles and this season the Football League is hoping to push it to the 14 million stage. Attendances in Divisions Two and Three are showing a big increase on last season with current rises of 17% and 15% respectively. One of the best things about this is that clubs are genuinely encouraging children to experience live football for the first time every week, which is of course the foundation for footballs future.

Luton Town, our visitors today, have not been having a happy time recently. With bad results, threats to the Chairman and (something that we can sympathise with) the rejection of new ground plans, things have been a bit off colour. Except that is in the dugout! The teams three substitutes

for the recent home game with Notts. County were according to the Guardian Diary, Scarlett, White and Gray! Millwall's match against Walsall last Saturday was their second Anti-Racism Focus game. Under the heading 'Lions have Pride not Prejudice' tickets were made available to local schools, groups and agencies with the target of attracting more support from every section of the community in South East London. The Club celebrated the contribution made by black and ethnic players from Frank Peterson, the first black player to wear a Lions shirt in 1968, to Steven Reid, Bobby Bowry and Paul Ifill who wear the shirt with pride today. Fans attending the game were given special stickers showing their support for the Anti-Racism stance being taken by the Club. The Club programme acknowledged the contribution made by Millwall players past and present. In the light of some recent racist incidents in South East London, this is a very positive move, by a Club which has also been associated in the past with crowd difficulties. Enjoy today's game and let's hope the Spireites at last push for a play off place. See you next Saturday for the visit of the Seasideers from Blackpool.

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Dave Rushbury with the physio's report



During the last few weeks, the treatment room has been quiet and uneventful. The squad has been training together and most of my treatment requirements have involved youth team players.

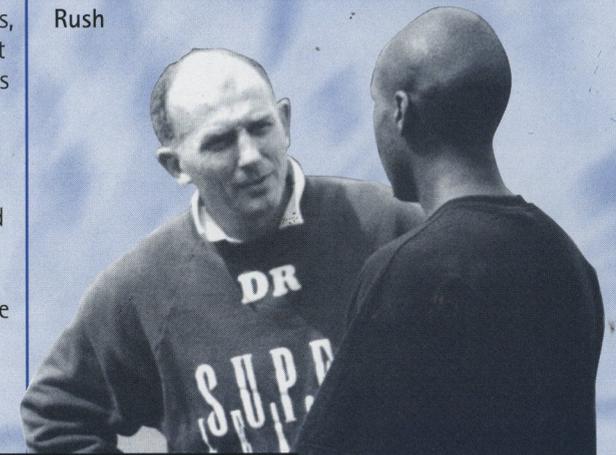
So' just when the management needs the resources of a full squad, because of suspensions, the inevitable happens. A freak training accident happened to Ian Breckin and with Mark Williams suspended suddenly we are stretched.

Breck's accident happened in a training match when a bang on the nose caused a broken blood vessel. His nose would not stop bleeding and he had to be admitted to Chesterfield Royal Hospital. He was discharged on the Friday before the Lincoln game and was advised not to take part in any strenuous exercise for a few days.

Other scares included a flu bug, which affected Blathers and Shane.

Chris Beaumont, Jon Howard and David Reeves all had treatment this week for bumps and bruises but all should be available for today's game.

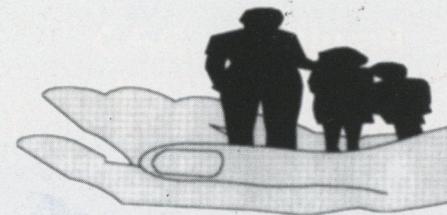
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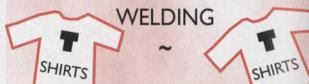


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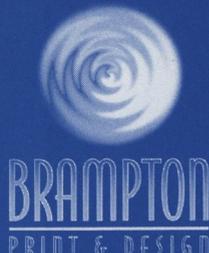
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Football in the community

Nicky Law's community news and updates



Welcome to today's games versus Luton Town. In another week's time the holidays will be here again, so we, at the Community, are in the midst of getting everything ready for the Soccer Courses. In case you didn't know the dates, here they are: -

- COURSE 1 (3 days) SOCCER SKILLS - Cylinders Sports Ground. 29, 30 & 31st March £18 or £7 per day.
- COURSE 2 (1 day) WORLD CUP DAY - Cylinders Sports Ground 1st April £6 for the day
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 Well done to everyone who took part!

MOTHERS DAY COMPETITION
 This year Kelli Cocking won the 'Mother's Day Card Competition'. Kelli attend Highfield Hall School. Well done Kelli! Kelli won four tickets for the Chesterfield home game against Luton this afternoon

and a bouquet of flowers for her mum, Lorraine.
SMOBY MONNERET TABLE TOP FOOTBALL COMPETITION
 The winner was Philip Roberts of Newbold. This year, he will be representing Chesterfield at Hillsborough on Thursday 25th March. Good Luck Philip!

For any further information call Nicky or any of the Community Staff on (01246) 550930.
 Cheers, enjoy the game.

CHESTER'S CORNER

Hi Kids,

It's me again. Lots has happened since I last saw you.

First I have not been able to track down the person who sent me a Valentine Card so come on 'Ester the Mouse' come and snuggle down in my straw; don't be shy.

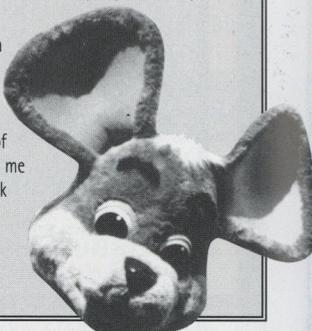
On 'Red Nose Day' Paul Holland, Tom Curtis and I went onto the Children's Ward at the Hospital and had a great afternoon so it's well done to Sharon and her staff and A big 'Hello' to Bradley, Amy, Natalie, Andrew and everyone else we met. Also thanks to McDonalds for sending their face painters.

I know it's late but I hope all you mums had a lovely day on Sunday and were spoilt to death.

Last but not least, I have been in touch with a top surgeon and he has told me that for £1200 he can fit me with a voice box. So if anybody knows anyone who could help with the cost of this operation please get in touch with me because it would be great if I could talk to you all.

Dig deep gang
 See ya soon

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Spire stats

Facts and figures from Division 2



TODAY'S DIVISION 2 FIXTURES

- Chesterfield v. Luton Town
- Colchester v. Manchester City
- Fulham v. Blackpool
- Gillingham v. Lincoln City
- Northampton Town v. Macclesfield Town
- Oldham Athletic v. Millwall
- Preston North End v. AFC Bournemouth
- Reading v. Wycombe Wanderers
- Stoke City v. Notts County
- Walsall v. Bristol Rovers
- Wrexham v. Burnley
- York City v. Wigan athletic

SECOND DIVISION MARKSMEN

- Horsfield (Fulham) - 20, Rammell (Walsall), Cresswell (York), Nogan (Preston), Asaba (Gillingham) - 16, Hayles (Fulham), Barlow (Wigan), Stein (Bournemouth) - 14

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- S. Brown (Wycombe) - 10 yellow, 1 red
- G. Kavanagh (Gillingham) - 9 yellow, 1 red
- G. McGowan (Wigan) - 9 yellow, 1 red

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Lincoln C.	6	4	0	2	6	6	12	F
Preston N. E.	6	3	2	1	13	7	11	
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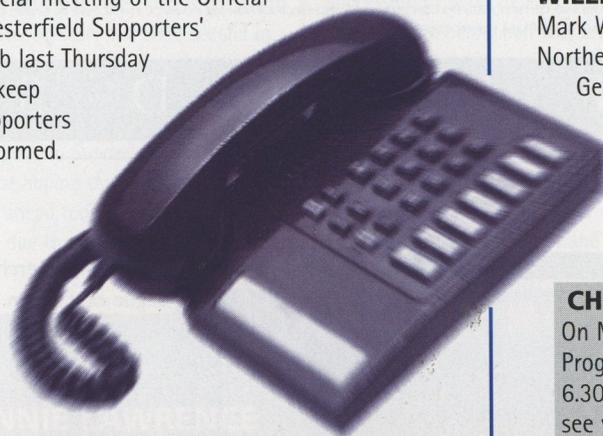


ALL TICKET GAMES

Following crowd disruption at the recent game against Manchester City, the Public Protection Committee has declared that the games against Stoke City and Fulham be all ticket. They have also indicated that no away fans can be accommodated in the Cross Street Wing Stand which means all of the Main Stand is open to Chesterfield Supporters only. Tickets for both of these games are now on general sale.

NEWS ON SPIREITES STADIUM DEVELOPMENT

Despite gloomy headlines in the local press things are looking brighter on the Stadium Development front. The Chairman, elsewhere in this programme, gives a full statement about the current situation. The Chairman also attended a special meeting of the Official Chesterfield Supporters' Club last Thursday to keep supporters informed.



RUGBY LEAGUE IS BACK

Due to a Rolling Stones Concert at the Don Valley Stadium, Sheffield Eagles are looking to play their attractive fixture against Bradford Bulls at Saltergate on Sunday 6th June 1999.

TOP FOUR COMPETITION

Current standings at Midnight, Monday 15th March 1999
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CONGRATULATIONS MARK WILLIAMS!!

Mark Williams has been selected for the full Northern Ireland squad due to play West Germany on 27th March and Moldova on 2nd April in the European Championships. He misses Chesterfield's home game against Blackpool but who would begrudge him that? All the best Mark!

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WELCOME to Saltergate

LUTON TOWN

Luton Town are this afternoon's visitors to Saltergate. Its been a topsy turvy season to date for Lennie Lawrence's side. The Hatters got off to a blistering start and were second in the table at one stage. Luton also had a great run in the Worthington Cup Reaching the quarter finals before going out to Sunderland. Both sides will be hoping that the game at least goes ahead today when the two sides were due to meet back in October the

game was called off just ten minutes before the kick off. At that time Luton were fourth in the Division but a succession of home defeats has seen them slide to below half way and a few more points are required to avoid being dragged into the relegation battle. Luton do have on paper a very strong side, Graham Alexander, Mitchell Thomas, Alan White, Gerry Harrison and Phil Gray all have experience at the top flight and

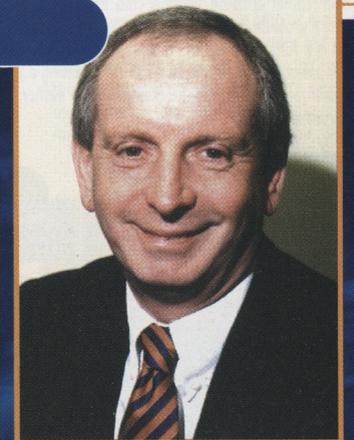
youngster Stuart Douglas is attracting the attention of several Premiership sides. The loss of Skipper Steve Davies seems too have badly affected the side, his move to Burnley has coincided with the teams poor run of . With Luton looking to get back on winning ways and the Spireites desperately looking for play off point we should be in for a better game than last seasons golden draw.

meet the BOSS

LENNIE LAWRENCE

WITH FORMER youth coach Terry Westley struggling in his first experience as a manager, he and Luton Town reluctantly decided to part company as the Hatters slid to the bottom of Division One. Four months in the autumn of 1995 had seen £2million spent, but only four matches won out of 22. Luton decided they needed an experienced hand on the tiller, and Lawrence fitted the bill perfectly. Perhaps more importantly, he knew about running clubs on shoestring budgets, having made his name by taking impoverished Charlton into what is now the Premiership, and keeping them there for four years, when they did not even have a home of their own. Lawrence was a non-league player, with Croydon, Carshalton and Sutton United. His managerial career started as assistant at Plymouth and then Lincoln. he

went to Charlton as reserve team coach before landing the hot seat. He had been boss for nine years, when he left Charlton in 1991 and took over at Middlesbrough. He led them to promotion to the Premiership a year later, but they were relegated after only one season and was replaced by Bryan Robson. Bradford City offered the next opportunity, but he left after 18 months to return south. A few weeks later he became Luton's 21st manager. The survival task proved too much, with the December leeway too big a gap to close, but relegation was followed by a thrilling recovery. In their first season back in Division Two, Luton were rarely out of the promotion frame, but it ended in disappointment, with play-off semi-final defeat against Crewe. And, as so often happens, reaction to the near-miss saw Luton struggle last season. Beseet by injuries, and forced to sell



leading scorer Tony Thorpe to balance the books, relegation was a real threat until Luton Picked themselves up in the last couple of months of a frustrating campaign. The manager's record at Luton, to the start of this season.

the SQUAD

Goalkeepers

Kelvin Davies

After seeing off two Americans, finally became first choice goalkeeper last season. A product of the Hatters' youth development programme, he started his league career on loan to Torquay early in the 1994/95 season, but despite having few chances at Kenilworth Road. Because of the form of Jurgen Sommer he won England youth and under-21 caps.

Nathan "Tanny" Abbey

A young goalkeeper who had a surprise first taste of the big time last season: happily playing for the reserves, he was given his first XI debut when both Luton's senior keepers were unavailable. Abbey played well in a 1-1 draw with Colchester in the Coca Cola cup, built up more experience on loan to Woking in the Vauxhall conference and is now confirmed understudy to Luton's England under 21 international Kelvin Davies.

Defenders

Stuart Fraser

Stylish defender and skipper of the Luton youth team which ran away with the South East Counties League championship last season. Reckoned by the Luton coaching staff to be outstanding prospect, he was given his league debut against Carlisle, in a 3-2 win, on the final day of last season.

Marvin Johnson

A versatile defender, normally a centre-half but capable of filling in on the flanks or in midfield, Johnson is celebrating a full decade as a first-team regular at Luton, his only club. Injuries have been a problem, but he has always bounced back, and is a former winner of Players' player of the Year award at Kenilworth Road after becoming a regular in central defence. Became Skipper earlier this season.

Gavin McGowan

A right back fighting for a Premiership places against very stiff competition at Arsenal, McGowan signed for Luton for the third time in June 1998. The first time was a loan deal in March 1997, but that ended after only two impressive appearances. A calf muscle injury needed surgery, and after getting over that he joined Luton on loan again, this time for three months, at the start of the 1997/98 season. Lennie Lawrence rated him, but could not afford to make an offer, and was delighted to conclude a quick deal a year later when Arsenal offered the defender a free transfer.

Alan White

Lennie Lawrence went back to Middlesbrough, one of his old clubs when an injury crisis robbed him of three of his back four in September 1997. The Luton boss, as ever, had little money to spend, but centre-half White was a prospect he knew well: Lawrence had signed him as a 17 year old at Ayresome Park. White was unable to force his way into Middlesbrough's Premiership squad after the advent of Bryan Robson and big-money signings, and grabbed the chance to rejoin Lawrence and sample league football.

Midfield

Graham Alexander

Bought for £100,000, from Scunthorpe in the summer of 1995, Alexander is a midfielder who can also fill in at the back when necessary. An injury crisis forced Luton to use him as an emergency right back several times last season, but his best performances have been on the right side of midfield, looking to back up the attack. He contributed eight valuable goals to help Luton out of relegation danger.

Sean Evers

Another young player brought on through Luton's productive youth squad, Evers was on the fringe

of the league squad until midway through last season. But when injuries struck, Lennie Lawrence had to ask boys to do men's jobs. The tenacious midfielder coped very well and established himself as a regular.

Ray McKinnon

A move to Luton at the start of this season gave the former Scottish under-21 international midfielder his second chance at making the grade in English soccer, after an unhappy experience with Nottingham Forest. He joined Dundee United as a YTS boy and in 1992 Nottingham Forest paid £750,000 for him. But Brian Clough resigned, and



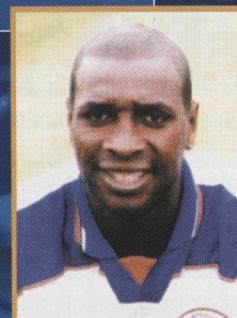
Stuart Douglas

Frank Clark was determined to build his own squad. McKinnon made only eight appearances for Forest in 20 months before being transferred to Aberdeen. He had two years there, then returned to Dundee United. After two years, and

One to WATCH

Mitchell THOMAS

Now the senior professional at Kenilworth Road, and appointed player-coach at the start of this season, elegant left back Thomas is back where it all started as a boy. Luton signed him on schoolboy forms, and he moved up through the ranks to make a league debut in the old First Division, now the Premiership, against West Ham in January 1983. He won England under-21 honours and Luton were not entirely delighted when manager David Pleat left for Spurs three years later and persuaded Thomas to go with him. The tribunal fee was £250,000, half of what Luton wanted. They turned out to be right: Thomas moved to West Ham for £500,000 in the summer of 1991, and three years later returned to Kenilworth Road, signing for David Pleat again, on a free transfer. By the start of this season Thomas had made 456 league appearances for his three clubs, and was hungry for more: his coaching deal is for him to be 90 per cent a player, 10 per cent a coach.



vastly experienced, he took advantage of the Bosman ruling to try his luck in England again, and Luton beat several other clubs to secure his signature.

Ray McIndoe

made his debut for Luton's senior side earlier this season when injuries hit three players above him in the pecking order for the wide left midfield slot. He joined Luton as a YTS boy after leaving school, and was part of their youth team which won the South East Counties League Championship and the Southern Junior Floodlit Cup in the 1997/98 season. He made his first team debut in the in the Worthington cup first round victory over Oxford United in August.

Paul McLaren

The midfielder was still a schoolboy when Luton realised that he had enough talent and strength to play regularly in their youth team. A YTS offer was a formality, and he was offered pro terms while still only 17. Forceful and always ready to back up attacks, he was one of the reasons why Luton were ready to let Welsh international Cri Hughes move to Wimbledon in the summer of 1997. McLaren slotted into the Hughes role so well that he played in all but three of Luton's league games in 1997/98.

Matthew Spring

A competitive midfielder, Spring was a driving force in the Luton side which reached the FA Youth Cup semi-finals in 1997, and it was no surprise when he was called up for a league debut, when still only 17, as a sub against Bristol City in September 1997. His full debut followed a month later, in a home victory against Plymouth and boss Lennie Lawrence called Spring's display "The best I have seen in a long time".

Forwards

L'Andra Zahana-Oni

Signed by Lennie Lawrence in January, from Bromley, of the Ryman Premier League, Zahana-Oni had attracted the interest of several other league clubs with his abilities as an old-fashioned left winger. A French national, he had

six years with Le Havre before crossing the Channel to try to make the grade in British football. He spent eight months at Stirling Albion before joining Bromley, and Luton paid £25,000, with more to follow depending on the player's progress.

Andre Scarlett

It was a Roy of the Rovers story when the 18-year old made his league debut for Luton in October. Because of injuries the winger was on the subs' bench against Oldham, and got his chance with 20 minutes to go, with the score at 0-0. His trickery tempted an Oldham player into a rash tackle which earned a red card, and Luton went on to win 2-0, with Scarlett netting the clincher in 2-0 win.

Andrew Fotiadis

Another local discovery, fotiadis chose to stay at school to gain GCSE A-levels before being a full-time soccer professional. He won England Schools Caps at under-15 and under-18 level, and developed a style to delight Luton fans and worry opposing defences, as an old-fashioned centre-forward, with good physique, power, and concentrated determination to score goals.



Andrew Fotiadis

Stuart Douglas

A real hotshot in youth and reserve team football, Douglas was still a 17-year old trainee when he made his league debut for Luton against Oldham in 1995. The pacey striker looked set to be a regular in Luton's league side last season, but was one of the unlucky victims of the injury plague which swept through Kenilworth Road. Now a regular in the Hatters first team, Stuart is attracting the attention of a host of Premiership sides.

Phil Gray

Greeted like a prodigal son when he signed for Luton for the second time in September 1997, the Northern Ireland striker soon discovered that football can be cruel. A succession of injuries struck, culminating in surgery to cure a back problem, leaving Gray determined to make up for lost time when this season kicked off. Formerly with Spurs, Luton, Sunderland, Nancy in France and Fortuna Sittard in Holland he needed little encouragement to return to Kenilworth Road in exchange for £400,000, and having rediscovered his goal touch this season was recalled to the Northern Ireland squad in November.

Gary Doherty

Big and brave, Doherty is a centre-half who can also operate as a centre-forward. He played in central defence for the Luton team which reached the FA Youth Cup semi-finals and won the South East Counties League Championship last season. He became a temporary striker to help an injury crisis, and did well enough to make the switch permanent.

Jimmy Cox

First joined Luton on associate schoolboy forms, and made a big impact in the youth team as an old-fashioned winger, able to take on men and go past them with the ball. He made the breakthrough into the first team squad earlier this season with his senior debut in a victory over Ipswich in the Worthington Cup second round.

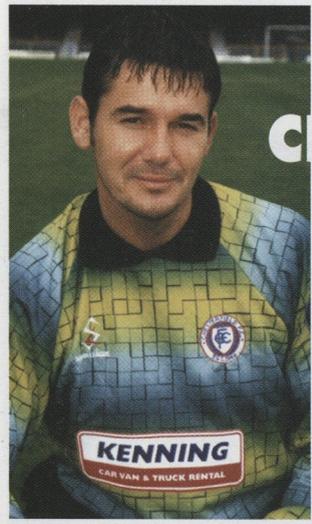
LAST TIME at Saltergate

CHESTERFIELD 0 Luton Town 0

Saturday December 13th 1997 Nationwide League Division Two
Attendance: 4358

Chesterfield dominated in a game of few chances against a hard working Luton Town at Saltergate. The Spireites began brightly and Steve Wilkinson had two good chances before the break. Billy Mercer returning from injury in the Blues goal had a quiet afternoon as the Hatters offered little threat up front. Roger Willis and Chris Perkins both went close before the end, but a draw was a fair result on the day.

Blues 'keeper Billy Mercer kept a clean sheet after making his return from injury.



Current FORM

LAST THREE RESULTS

Saturday 6 Mar 1999

WALSALL 1 LUTON 0

Tuesday 9 Mar 1999

LUTON 0 FULHAM 4

Saturday 13 Mar 1999

LUTON 1 STOKE 2

TEAM STATISTICS

1998/99



FIRST TEAM FIXTURES, TEAM LINE-UPS & GOALSCORERS

F-A		ATT	GOALSCORERS	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	
AUGUST 1998																		
Sat 8	Colchester U	A 0-1	4042	-	Mercer	Hewitt	Perkins	Curtis	Williams	Breckin	Willis	Holland	Reeves	Wilkinson	Howard	Beaumont	Eustace	Ebdon
Tue 11	Rotherham U (Worthington C 1 (1))	A 1-0	3192	Holland	Mercer	Beaumont	Perkins	Curtis	Williams	Breckin	Willis	Holland	Reeves	Wilkinson	Howard	Ebdon	Lomas	Lenagh
Sat 15	Burnley	H 1-0	5462	Reeves	Mercer	Hewitt	Perkins	Curtis	Williams	Breckin	Willis	Holland	Reeves	Wilkinson	Howard	Jules	Ebdon	Beaumont
Tue 18	Rotherham U (Worthington C 1 (2))	H 2-0	3487	Reeves, Holland	Mercer	Hewitt	Perkins	Curtis	Williams	Breckin	Willis	Holland	Reeves	Wilkinson	Howard	Beaumont	Jules	Ebdon
Sat 22	Oldham Athletic	A 0-2	4548	-	Mercer	Hewitt	Perkins	Beaumont	Williams	Breckin	Willis	Holland	Reeves	Wilkinson	Howard	Eustace	Jules	Ebdon
Sat 29	Reading	H 1-0	4145	Howard	Mercer	Hewitt	Perkins	Ebdon	Williams	Breckin	Willis	Holland	Reeves	Wilkinson	Howard	Jules	Beaumont	Lee
Mon 31	Preston North End	A 0-2	9625	-	Mercer	Hewitt	Perkins	Beaumont	Williams	Breckin	Lee	Holland	Reeves	Ebdon	Howard	Wilkinson	Willis	Jules
SEPTEMBER																		
Sat 5	Gillingham	H 1-0	3766	Holland	Mercer	Hewitt	Perkins	Wilkinson	Williams	Breckin	Lee	Holland	Reeves	Ebdon	Howard	Beaumont	Jules	Willis
Tue 8	Bristol Rovers	A 0-0	5108	-	Mercer	Hewitt	Perkins	Lomas	Williams	Breckin	Lee	Holland	Reeves	Ebdon	Howard	Beaumont	Wilkinson	Willis
Sat 12	Walsall	H 0-1	4169	-	Mercer	Hewitt	Perkins	Wilkinson	Williams	Breckin	Lee	Holland	Reeves	Ebdon	Howard	Jules	Beaumont	Willis
Wed 16	Leicester City (Worthington C 2 (1))	A 0-3	13541	-	Leaning	Hewitt	Perkins	Beaumont	Williams	Breckin	Willis	Holland	Howard	Ebdon	Jules	Wilkinson	Pearce	Eustace
Sat 19	Manchester City	A 1-1	27501	Reeves	Leaning	Hewitt	Perkins	Wilkinson	Beaumont	Breckin	Willis	Holland	Reeves	Ebdon	Jules	Lomas	Howard	Blatherwick
Tue 22	Leicester City (Worthington C 2 (2))	H 1-3	4565	Howard	Leaning	Hewitt	Perkins	Lomas	Beaumont	Breckin	Willis	Holland	Reeves	Howard	Jules	Wilkinson	Ebdon	Pearce
Sat 26	Wrexham	H 2-1	3681	Howard 2	Leaning	Hewitt	Jules	Beaumont	Blatherwick	Breckin	Howard	Holland	Reeves	Ebdon	Perkins	Lenagh	Lomas	Lee
OCTOBER																		
Sat 3	Millwall	A 0-0	5178	-	Mercer	Beaumont	Jules	Lomas	Blatherwick	Breckin	Howard	Holland	Reeves	Ebdon	Nicholson	Lenagh	Pearce	Lee
Mon 12	Stoke City	A 0-0	10557	-	Mercer	Hewitt	Nicholson	Jules	Williams	Breckin	Howard	Holland	Reeves	Ebdon	Perkins	Willis	Blatherwick	Curtis
Sat 17	York City	H 2-1	4113	Williams, Reeves	Mercer	Hewitt	Nicholson	Curtis	Williams	Breckin	Howard	Holland	Reeves	Ebdon	Perkins	Blatherwick	Jules	Lee
Tue 20	Notts County	H 3-0	4506	Holland 2, Williams	Mercer	Hewitt	Nicholson	Curtis	Williams	Breckin	Howard	Holland	Reeves	Ebdon	Perkins	Blatherwick	Jules	Morris
NOVEMBER																		
Sat 7	Lincoln City	H 3-0	4694	Reeves, Perkins, Howard	Mercer	Hewitt	Nicholson	Curtis	Williams	Breckin	Howard	Holland	Reeves	Ebdon	Perkins	Blatherwick	Jules	Morris
Tue 10	AFC Bournemouth	H 3-1	3797	Curtis 2, Ebdon	Mercer	Hewitt	Nicholson	Curtis	Williams	Breckin	Howard	Holland	Reeves	Ebdon	Perkins	Blatherwick	Jules	Morris
Sat 14	Wycombe Wanderers (FA Cup 1)	A 0-1	3302	-	Mercer	Hewitt	Jules	Curtis	Williams	Breckin	Howard	Holland	Reeves	Ebdon	Perkins	Lee	Leaning	Morris
Sat 21	Fulham	A 1-2	10005	Howard	Mercer	Hewitt	Jules	Curtis	Williams	Breckin	Howard	Holland	Reeves	Beaumont	Perkins	Morris	Lenagh	Wilkinson
Sat 28	Macclesfield Town	H 2-0	4752	Reeves, Hewitt	Mercer	Hewitt	Jules	Beaumont	Williams	Breckin	Curtis	Howard	Reeves	Ebdon	Perkins	Wilkinson	Lenagh	Lee
DECEMBER																		
Sat 5	Blackpool	A 1-1	3664	Howard	Mercer	Hewitt	Jules	Beaumont	Williams	Breckin	Curtis	Howard	Reeves	Ebdon	Perkins	Wilkinson	Lenagh	Blatherwick
Sat 12	Northampton Town	A 0-1	5284	-	Mercer	Hewitt	Jules	Beaumont	Williams	Breckin	Curtis	Howard	Reeves	Ebdon	Perkins	Wilkinson	Lenagh	Blatherwick
Sat 19	Wigan Athletic	H 1-1	3812	Wilkinson	Mercer	Hewitt	Jules	Curtis	Williams	Breckin	Howard	Beaumont	Reeves	Ebdon	Wilkinson	Blatherwick	Lomas	Lenagh
Sat 26	Oldham Athletic	H 1-3	5448	Wilkinson	Mercer	Hewitt	Nicholson	Curtis	Williams	Breckin	Willis	Beaumont	Blatherwick	Ebdon	Wilkinson	Jules	Lenagh	Simpkins
Mon 28	Wycombe Wanderers	A 0-1	5397	-	Mercer	Hewitt	Nicholson	Curtis	Williams	Breckin	Jules	Beaumont	Lenagh	Ebdon	Wilkinson	Lomas	Simpkins	Willis
JANUARY 1999																		
Sat 2	Reading (FA Cup 3)	A 2-1	10100	Breckin, Curtis	Mercer	Hewitt	Nicholson	Curtis	Williams	Breckin	Jules	Beaumont	Lenagh	Ebdon	Wilkinson	Willis	Simpkins	Lomas
Sat 9	Colchester United	H 3-1	3761	Howard, Wilkinson, Reeves	Mercer	Hewitt	Nicholson	Curtis	Williams	Breckin	Howard	Beaumont	Lenagh	Ebdon	Wilkinson	Blatherwick	Perkins	Reeves
Tue 12	Darlington (AutoW. Cup)	H 2-0	1391	Wilkinson, Perkins	Mercer	Perkins	Jules	Curtis	Blatherwick	Breckin	Howard	Beaumont	Reeves	Ebdon	Wilkinson	Lee	Lomas	Willis
Sat 16	Burnley	A 2-1	10985	Pickering (og), Beaumont	Mercer	Perkins	Nicholson	Curtis	Williams	Breckin	Howard	Beaumont	Reeves	Ebdon	Wilkinson	Blatherwick	Lee	Jules
Tue 19	Wrexham (AutoW. Cup OF)	A 2-3	1572	Williams, Hewitt	Mercer	Blatherwick	Nicholson	Lenagh	Williams	Breckin	Howard	Beaumont	Reeves	Hewitt	Wilkinson	Lee	Jules	Lomas
Sat 23	Preston North End (FA Cup 4)	H 0-1	6138	-	Mercer	Hewitt	Nicholson	Jules	Williams	Breckin	Howard	Beaumont	Reeves	Ebdon	Wilkinson	Blatherwick	Lomas	Willis
Sat 30	Wycombe Wanderers	H 2-0	4248	Howard, Wilkinson	Mercer	Hewitt	Nicholson	Jules	Williams	Breckin	Howard	Beaumont	Reeves	Ebdon	Wilkinson	Lee	Carss	Blatherwick
FEBRUARY																		
Sat 6	Gillingham	A 1-3	6526	Howard	Mercer	Hewitt	Nicholson	Curtis	Williams	Breckin	Howard	Beaumont	Reeves	Ebdon	Wilkinson	Lee	Holland	Blatherwick
Sat 20	Walsall	A 1-1	5267	Williams	Mercer	Perkins	Nicholson	Curtis	Williams	Breckin	Howard	Holland	Reeves	Ebdon	Beaumont	Lee	Blatherwick	Wilkinson
Sat 27	Manchester City	H 1-1	8245	Reeves	Mercer	Perkins	Nicholson	Curtis	Williams	Breckin	Howard	Holland	Reeves	Ebdon	Beaumont	Lee	Wilkinson	Blatherwick
MARCH																		
Tue 2	Millwall	H 2-1	3372	Reeves 2	Mercer	Perkins	Nicholson	Curtis	Williams	Breckin	Howard	Holland	Reeves	Ebdon	Beaumont	Lee	Hewitt	Blatherwick
Sat 6	Wrexham (FA Cup 5)	A 0-0	3224	-	Mercer	Perkins	Nicholson	Curtis	Williams	Breckin	Howard	Holland	Reeves	Ebdon	Beaumont	Willis	Hewitt	Lee
Sat 13	Lincoln City	A 0-2	5262	-	Mercer	Hewitt	Perkins	Curtis	Blatherwick	Beaumont	Howard	Holland	Reeves	Ebdon	Lee	Willis	Wilkinson	Nicholson
Sat 20	Luton Town	H																
Sat 27	Blackpool	H																
APRIL																		
Sat 3	York City	A																
Mon 5	Stoke City	H																
Sat 10	Notts County (FA Cup Semi Final)	A																
Tue 13	Macclesfield Town	A																
Sat 17	Fulham	H																
Tue 20	Bristol Rovers	H																
Sat 24	AFC Bournemouth	A																
Tue 27	Luton Town	A																
MAY																		
Sat 1	Northampton Town	H																
Sat 8	Wigan Athletic	A																
Sat 22	FA Cup Final																	

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 Aug 11 v. Rotherham (Worthington Cup 1 (1)): Leaning, Eustace Aug 18 v. Rotherham (Worthington Cup 1 (2)): Leaning, Eustace
 Sep 16 v. Leicester (Worthington Cup 2 (1)): Lenagh, Lomas Sep 22 v. Leicester (Worthington Cup 2 (2)): Lenagh, Eustace
 Nov 14 v. Wycombe (FA Cup 1), Wilkinson, Lenagh

LEAGUE TABLE

	PL	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Fulham	36	25	6	5	57	26	81
Walsall	35	20	7	8	48	37	67
Preston N.E.	34	19	9	6	64	34	66
Bournemouth	35	17	10	8	55	33	61
Gillingham	35	15	14	6	55	33	59
Manchester C.	36	15	14	7	48	26	59
Stoke C.	34	17	3	14	41	38	54
Reading	35	14	11	10	44	44	53
Wigan A.	32	15	7	10	49	31	52
Chesterfield	34	14	9	11	37	31	51
Millwall	36	13	10	13	41	45	49
Wrexham	34	11	10	13	36	47	43
Blackpool	35	10	13	12	33	37	43
Luton T.	34	11	8	15	40	47	41
Bristol Rovers	33	9	12	12	44	38	39
Colchester U.	35	8	15	12	39	52	39
Notts County	34	10	7	17	39	50	37
Oldham A.	35	10	7	18	37	49	37
York City	35	9	9	17	42	61	36
Lincoln C.	34	10	6	18	33	53	36
Burnley	34	8	10	16	36	63	34
Northampton T.	35	7	12	16	28	40	33
Macclesfield	34	7	9	18	24	41	30
Wycombe W.	34	6	10	18	32	46	28

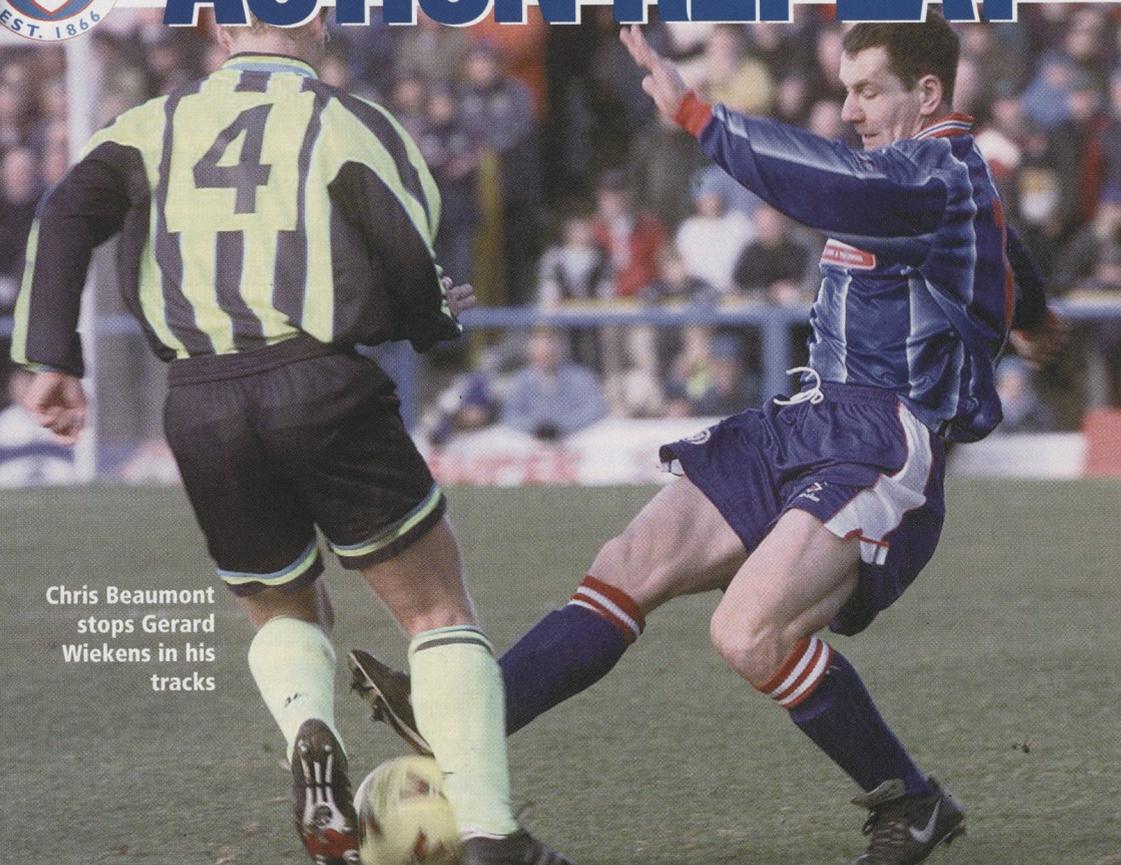
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ROLL CALL

PLAYER	GAMES				GOALS			
	LGE	CUP	TOT	CFC	LGE	CUP	TOT	CFC
BEAUMONT, Chris	23(4)	5(1)	28(5)	101(19)	1	0	1	4
BLATHERWICK, Steve	4(4)	2	6(4)	6(4)	0	0	0	0
BRECKIN, Ian	34	7	41	87(3)	1	0	1	3
CARSS, Tony	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
CURTIS, Tom	22	4	26	258(5)	3	0	3	15
EBDON, Marcus	30	3(1)	33(1)	79(6)	1	0	1	4
EUSTACE, Scott	0	0(1)	0(1)	0(1)	0	0	0	0
HEWITT, Jamie	28(2)	5	33(2)	505(21)	1	1	2	28
HOLLAND, Paul	22(1)	5	27(1)	114(6)	3	2	5	13
HOWARD, Jon	30(1)	7	37(1)	130(43)	9	1	10	32
JULES, Mark	13(3)	4(2)	17(5)	184(36)	0	0	0	6
LEANING, Andy	2	2	4	22	0	0	0	0
LEE, Jason	5(8)	0(3)	5(11)	5(11)	0	0	0	0
LENAGH, Steve	3(2)	1	4(2)	4(5)	0	0	0	0
LOMAS, James	2(2)	1(2)	3(4)	6(9)	0	0	0	0
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Chris Beaumont stops Gerard Wiekens in his tracks

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STADIUM RE-LOCATION - MARKHAM WORKS SITE. THE FACTS....

Last Thursday evening in the Saltergate Club many of our supporters will have learned the true facts about our relocation plans and in particular the article in the Derbyshire Times concerning the Markham Site. For those who could not, or did not have the opportunity to attend I would like to spell out the facts:-

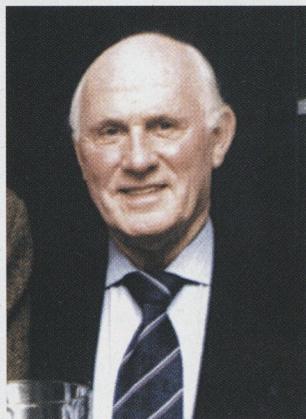
You are well aware of our disappointment when our planning application to develop at Wheeldon Mill was rejected. I can however say that since August we have had tremendous support from the Borough Council and in particular Katherine Leddy the Deputy Chief Executive, and you will have read that the council have passed a resolution to approve an investment in the new stadium of up to £1m.

Since the middle of last year I have held countless meetings with:-

- i) Kvaerner (the owners of the Markham Site)
- ii) Potential developers of the site
- iii) The Borough Council.

Many dates for action have been agreed but none acted upon by the developers leaving the Football Club in a state of flux particularly with regard to ground improvements which should be completed by August 9th 1999.

Many local meetings have taken place with, the Borough Council Planners, the Deputy Chief Executive, the Football Trust and Football Licensing Authority in order to keep them



informed of our position. A submission for Grant Aid has been made to the Football Trust which included plans, estimates and details of our funding package. A similar package has been sent to the Football Licensing Authority with an application to delay implementation of improvements at Saltergate (which clearly would be a waste of vital cash resources at this time) whilst our plans for relocation are in continued discussion.

I spoke with Sean Boyle the reporter at Derbyshire Times and asked him to confirm all the facts with Rob Newton of Lambert Smith Hampton (the agents for the site), Alistair Howse of Kvaerner and Katherine Leddy at the Borough Council.

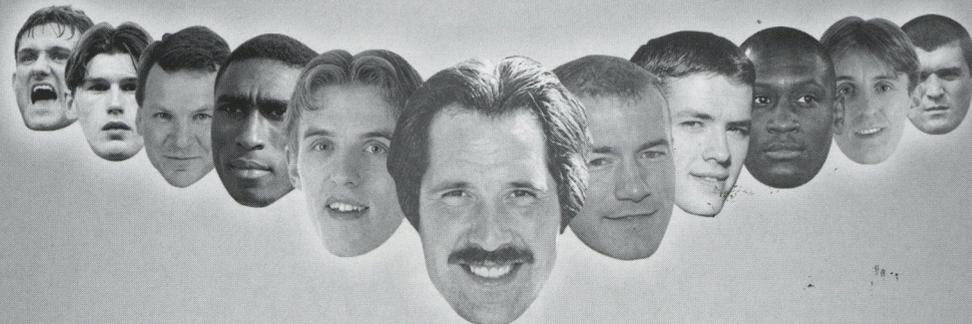
Let me put the record straight, despite what you may read in the press we have funding in place, subject to The Football Trust Grant being approved.

Solicitors have requested that Chesterfield Football Club enter into a legally binding contract to locate to the Markham Site. We will not give any such undertaking until the Planning & Highways have given approval. Developers wish us to commit in advance of planning, that would not be in the best interests of the Football Club and I am only concerned with those interests and the future of Chesterfield Football Club.

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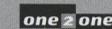


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Girls' and women's football is currently undergoing an unprecedented boom in popularity, and is set to become a major participation sport in the new millennium. This season over 1700 teams have registered with 84 different leagues, while it is estimated that nearly 35,000 females regularly play some form of organised football.

On a National scale the Football Association is responsible for the development of the female game, and its Regional Officers are currently involved in implementing an ambitious plan for talent identification. A major part of this plan is to establish a network of Centres of Excellence for girls.

Chesterfield F.C. is pleased to be one of the first Clubs in the Country to have been awarded a licence under this programme. The Club welcomes Donna McIvor from the Football Association here today to present the first installment of their Grant aid to ensure that the most outstanding female players in this area are both identified

and recruited into the Centre.

The Girl's Programme will run alongside the existing provision for boys, and is the overall responsibility of the Youth Development Officer, Alan Young. In January Chesterfield based A licenced coach, Jane Ebbage was appointed as the new Centre Director. Jane has been a major player in the development of girls and women's football locally, and comes to the Club with an impressive list of achievements.

She is only the third woman to achieve the FA's Full Coaching Licence, and is one of only two female Centre Directors. As a lifelong Spireite Jane is tremendously excited by this new role and expects the Centre to build on the work that has already produced one U18 international as well as a host of other National and Local honours.

Over 80 girls have been invited to the trials in three age groups - U12, U14 and U16's - and they are currently attending Monday evening coaching sessions at

Middlecroft Leisure Centre. The squads will be finally selected over Easter and those talented enough chosen to represent Chesterfield F.C. will then commence working towards a national Centre of Excellence competition scheduled for June 1999. In the future the Centre will face competition for players from other local professional Clubs and the girls will eventually have a full programme of fixtures similar to the boys.

As well as identifying potential playing stars of the future the Centre also has the responsibility of identifying coaches with the potential to work at the highest levels in the game. To that end 6 female coaches have also been asked to join the programme.

It is quite clear that these are exciting times to be involved in girls' and women's football, and that Chesterfield F.C. is at the forefront of the revolution that is taking place in the game.

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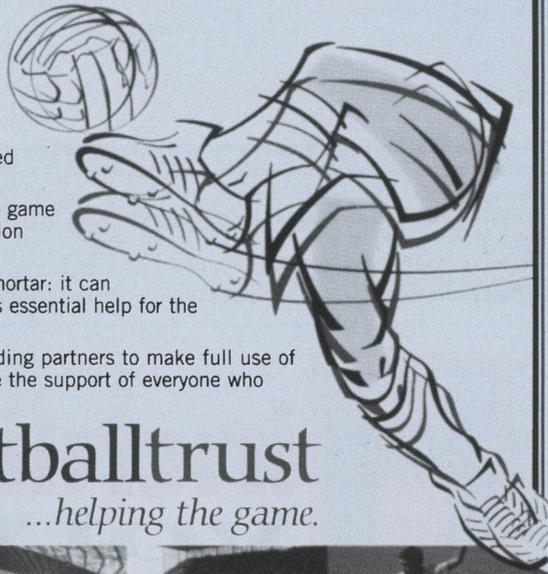
A major new funding package made up of annual contributions from The F.A. Premier League, The Football Association, The English Sports Council, The Football League and The Professional Footballers Association has been added to the Trust's pools derived income to secure its future.

The Trust has a major part to play in the success of the game and will continue its vital grant support for lower division clubs to complete the Taylor programme.

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Reserve review

with Kevin Randall

CHESTERFIELD 2 WIGAN ATHLETIC 0

In a tough hard fought encounter we finally came out worthy winners with a 2-0 victory. The inexperienced right-sided pairing of Barratt and Williams stood up well against strong opposition whilst Blatherwick was again dominant at the back before eventually tiring due to illness. Carss and Jules were both prominent down the left in the early stages whilst the industrious duo of Lomas and Hewitt controlled the midfield.

After a bright start a deep free-kick on the left was neatly converted by Willis with a glancing header to give us the lead. The front two of Lee and Willis were both threatening with Willis particularly looking like increasing the lead.

The second half was evenly fought but apart from one error by Blatherwick, Leaning was mostly untroubled.

The game was eventually made safe in the final minute when

Willis was fouled in the box and Lee comfortably scored from the spot. An all round competent display was, in the end, reflected by the final score.

TEAM: Leaning, Barrett, Jules, Williams, Blatherwick, Simpkins, Willis, Hewitt, Lee, Lomas, Carss
SUBS: Newton, Danysz, Robinson.



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Wed Aug 12	Rochdale	H.....2-5
Wed Aug 26	Scunthorpe U. A0-3 7pm
Wed Sep 9	Walsall	A.....0-0
Wed Sep 23	Darlington	A.....2-1
Wed Sep 30	Bury	H.....0-4
Wed Oct 7	Wigan A.	A.....1-4
Wed Oct 14	Hartlepool	A.....1-0
Wed Oct 21	Sheffield U.*	H.....1-0
Tues Oct 27	Carlisle U.	H.....0-2
Mon Nov 2	Chester C.	H.....3-1
Wed Nov 11	Huddersfield*	H.....0-3
Tue Nov 17	Halifax T.	A.....2-1
Wed Nov 25	Sheffield U.*	A.....1-1
Wed Dec 2	Rochdale	A.....0-2
Wed Jan 13	Huddersfield*	A.....1-1
Wed Jan 20	Hull C.*	A.....3-1
Wed Feb 3	Darlington	H.....2-1
Wed Feb 10	Scunthorpe U.	H.....POSTPONED
Wed Feb 17	Bury	A.....0-1
Wed Feb 24	Walsall	H.....0-0
Wed Mar 3	Wigan	H.....2-0
Wed Mar 17	Hartlepool	H.....
Mon Mar 22	Carlisle U.	A.....
Wed Apr 7	Hull C.	H.....
Wed Apr 14	Halifax T.	H.....
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John O'Brien gives the referee's viewpoint



It's all part of the fun, or it's all in a day's work? A referee's lot is not a happy one. Matches played on Saturday 6th March, looked like a catalogue of disasters. It's a good job all the incidents did not happen in the same match - the referee would really have been busy. All the following red cards were shown between 3.30 and 4.45 one bleak Saturday afternoon: -

3.30	Kevin Horlock (Man City) Second booking
3.38	Lee Harvey (Stevenage) Serious foul
3.45	John Gittens (Exeter) Second booking
4.05	Joey Beauchamp (Oxford) Foul and abusive language
4.09	Steve Barry (Stevenage) Foul and abusive language
4.11	Karl Ready (Q.P.R.) Second booking
4.12	John Aloizi (Coventry) Violent Conduct
4.14	Richard Appleby (Swansea) Serious foul
4.15	* Steve Williams (Kettering) Violent conduct
4.18	Paul Cherry (Inverness) Violent conduct

4.20	Mark Freeman (Cheltenham) Second booking
4.25	Joe Robertson (Dumbarton) Second booking
4.38	Mark Atkins (Wolves) Violent conduct
4.39	Mark Tinkler (York) Second booking
4.44	Dean Sturridge (Derby) Second booking
4.45	Jamie Morales (Brighton) Violent conduct
4.45	Paul Stoneman (Halifax) Second booking

The quietest time of the day seems to be between 3.45 - 4.05 a good reason for this is that everybody is busy chewing on their half-time orange!

Not to be outdone on the Sunday in the clash of the giants, Man Utd and Chelsea had Di Matteo and Scholes sent off. Referee Paul Durkin, received bad press for not using common sense in dismissing the players for second bookable offences in separate incidents. Unfortunately, if Mr. Durkin had used common sense and not the rules of the game, he would have been 'slated' for that, so really he couldn't win, but what's new about that?

Finally, just to make sure the yellow cards don't feel left out, there was an incredible 116 issued in the Premier and Nationwide Leagues the list is as follows(only joking!!!!).

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Youth scene with Alan Young

News from the Youth Team and School of Excellence



Our final position of 9th in the Midlands Conference, did not reflect how well the lads have performed this season. Had we converted several of our 12 draws into victories, this would have pushed us into a more realistic position of top four status.

We have now started the final phase of the season in Merit Division Two of the Youth Alliance, where we now play clubs of the North East, North West and Midlands Conference who finished in positions 7th to 9th in their respective divisions.

We got off to a great start at Lincoln City on 27 February with a 2 - 0 victory. Lincoln's direct approach did not make it an attractive spectacle and it looked like heading for another draw until substitute Lee Danysz started and finished a superb Danny Williams cross for the first of two goals in the final



five minutes. Lee Newton added the other with every other part of his anatomy except for his foot!

Our next fixture saw us travel down to Stoke City which gave the lads the opportunity to play in the new Britannia Stadium. A heavy snowfall on the morning of the game, caused both Lee Danysz and James Lomas to be stranded at home.

Our performance on the day very much mirrored the cold conditions - miserable! The only bright point was a 25 yard Lee Newton effort which struck the crossbar. The game seemed to be heading for another draw until a defensive mix-up let in Stoke for their first, and they added another late on. The lads will be the first to admit they were not at their best.

Last Saturday produced a better performance, yet another 1-1 draw at home to Oldham Athletic. A defensive error by Steve Lenagh allowed Oldham to take the lead in the first half. However, we came back strong in the second half and deservedly equalised with Lee Newton slotting home a great near post cross from James Dooley. We certainly deserved more from the game with the amount of chances that we created. It

was also pleasing to see three of our Under 16's coping so well with Youth Team football at this stage of their development.

Yesterday, we had a long journey to Carlisle. This game will be covered in the Blackpool programme.

Hope you enjoy today's game.

Alan Young

Fri	Aug 14	Shrewsbury T.	A	.....4-2	1.30pm
Sat	Aug 22	Walsall	H	.....0-1	
Sat	Aug 29	Stoke City	A	.....1-1	
Wed	Sep 2	Mansfield Town*	A	.....2-2	
Sat	Sep 5	FA. WEEKEND			
Sat	Sep 12	Birmingham C.	H	.....5-1	
Sat	Sep 19	West Brom.	H	.....1-1	
Sat	Sep 26	Mansfield T.	A	.....1-1	
Wed	Sep 30	Mansfield Town*	H	.....3-1	
Sat	Oct 3	Lincoln City	A	.....1-1	
Fri	Oct 9	Northampton T.	H	.....1-2	
Sat	Oct 17	Port Vale	A	.....1-1	
Wed	Oct 28	Rotherham**	H	.....1-3	7pm
Sat	Oct 31	Wolves	A	.....0-1	
Sat	Nov 7	Walsall	A	.....1-1	
Fri	Nov 13	Shrewsbury	H	.....0-0	1.30pm
Thu	Nov 19	Walsall*	A	.....0-1	
Sat	Nov 21	Stoke C.	H	.....2-2	
Sat	Nov 28	Birmingham C.	A	.....2-1	
Sat	Dec 5	Lincoln City	A	.....2-3	
Sat	Dec 12	FA. WEEKEND			
Sat	Dec 19	Northampton T.	A	.....1-1	
Sat	Jan 9	Notts Co.	A	.....1-1	
Sat	Jan 16	FA. WEEKEND			
Sat	Jan 23	Wolves	H	.....0-2	
Fri	Jan 29	Mansfield T.	H	.....2-2	
Sat	Feb 5	Port Vale	H	.....3-0	
Sat	Feb 13	West Brom	A	.....0-1	
Sat	Feb 20	Notts Co.	H	.....0-0	
Sat	Feb 27	Lincoln	A	.....2-0	
Sat	Mar 6	Stoke City	A	.....0-2	
Sat	Mar 13	Oldham	H1-1	
Fri	Mar 19	Carlisle	A	1.30pm
Sat	Apr 3	Bradford City	H	
Sat	Apr 10	Hull City	A	
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Our match at Lincoln City last Saturday didn't produce the desired result, but what an amazing turn-out of Spireites! With the away end three quarters full, this must have been one of Lincoln's best home gates of the season. It was also our first experience of playing a team with a Manager/Chairman in John Reames. While it must certainly cut down on the wage bill, I bet he has some interesting arguments with himself over the Imps transfer dealings!

All Supporters' Club members should now have received the latest Newsletter 'Forever Blue', which I hope meets with their approval. If there is anything you would like to see included in the newsletter (or omitted!), then drop us a line at the Supporters' Club address: P.O. Box 1866, Chesterfield, S40 3XS. We would like to improve 'Forever Blue', and with your feedback we feel we will be able to do this.

Also in your newsletter package you will have found correspondence from 'Blues on the Move'. Don't forget to fill in your form today. If you're not in it, you can't win it!

Speaking of winning the February Monthly Prize Draw



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winner is Supporters' Club member 786, who is Olivia Bryan from Walton. Well done Olivia!

Last Saturday, Dave Chapman of the Supporters' Club organised a mini-bus for disabled supporters to get to Lincoln. As far as I know the trip went well and if enough interest is shown he intends to take another mini-bus to Notts. County in about three weeks (10.4.99).

The mini-bus will be leaving from West Street at about 12.30pm and the fare will be £5. If you are disabled or know someone who is and would like to see the Notts. County game, further details are available by ringing Dave Chapman on 205837.

Before that, our next away game is in a fortnight when we make the trip to Bootham Crescent to play York City. With York sliding down the table recently they will be fighting to keep away from the dreaded bottom four. A tight game looks in prospect and coaches will leave Cross Street for York at 12 noon, with the fare being £7 & £6 O.A.P. & Juv (Supporters' Club members).

Amazingly, today is the first meeting with Luton Town this season, so get behind the Blues in an effort to get those much needed three points!

Keep the Blue flag flying high!

Steve Yorke

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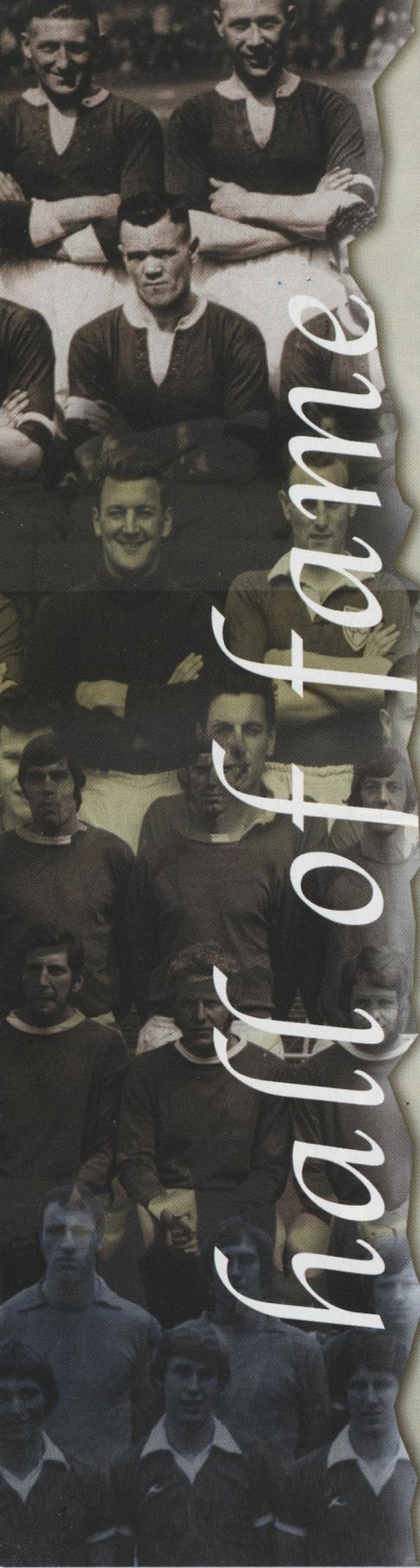
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Dave Blakey

Position: Centre Half	C.F.C. Appearances: 658
Played: 1948-67	C.F.C. Goals: 21
Born: 22/9/29, Newburn	

Dave Blakey holds the record for CFC appearances with a total of 658, a record that will perhaps never be beaten in the modern game where loyalty to a single club is rare. He is the only Chesterfield player to have turned out in Divisions two, three and four.

Dave was born in Newburn in the North East, a football hot bed then as now. He signed for Chesterfield at the end of the 1947-48 season after impressing whilst playing for East Chevington Juniors and didn't have long to wait for his first team debut. An injury to Ken Booker after the first game of the season meant that Dave, just two days beyond his 19th birthday, was thrown into Division Two football. He made his debut in the home League match with West Ham United.



His first season in League football saw him in and out of the team and he played not only at the back but also up front and in midfield. Dave made 22 appearances in his first season and scored two goals when playing up front in the 4-3 away win at Cardiff.

Dave's appearances over the next couple of seasons were limited; only 8 in 1949/50 and 10 in the relegation year 1950/51. In his first season in Division 3 he made only 4 appearances.

The following season finally saw Dave establish himself in the side as a centre half. He missed the first 4 matches before making the starting line-up against Accrington Stanley. This marked the start of an unbroken spell of 213 competitive matches, which finally ended in November 1957.

Dave played his 600th league match on April 5 1965 in a home win over Torquay. Shortly afterwards he enjoyed a well-deserved testimonial which he shared with Ron Powell who was on the point of retirement. An all-star team, which included ex team-mate Gordon Banks and Nat Lofthouse, turned out for the club's greatest stalwart.

Dave went on to make only 17 further league appearances before he made way for a young centre-half, Albert Phelan. He made his last appearance as a Spireite in the last home game of the 1966-67 season in a 2-1 win against Port Vale.

On hanging up his playing boots, Dave became a highly respected scout for several clubs including Burnley and Sheffield Wednesday.

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- Shane Nicholson **3**
- Tom Curtis **4**
- Steve Blatherwick **5**
- Mark Williams **6**
- Jonathan Howard **7**
- Paul Holland **8**
- David Reeves **9**
- Chris Beaumont **10**
- Chris Perkins **11**
- Steve Wilkinson **12**
- Roger Willis **13**
- Jason Lee **14**

Luton Town

- Kelvin Davis
- Graham Alexander
- Mitchell Thomas
- Mathew Spring
- Alan White
- Marvin Johnson
- Gerry Harrison
- Ray McKinnon
- Stuart Douglas
- Phil Gray
- Liam George
- Paul McLaren
- Gary Doherty
- Chris Wilmot

MATCH OFFICIALS

REFEREE - R. Pearson

We welcome Roy Pearson, as our match official, to Saltergate this afternoon.

Roy, a maintenance technician, commenced refereeing in 1978. Elected to the Football League as a linesman in 1988, and F.I.F.A. Lineman in 1993 he was promoted to the Football League as a referee in 1995.

Roy's footballing highlights include linesman in the 1993 F.A. Cup Final, 1994 European Cup Final, 1994 World Cup 1/4 and Semi-Finals and the 1995 Coca-Cola Cup Final.

ASSISTANT REFEREE G. Atkins

ASSISTANT REFEREE I.D. Shaw

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