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Brian Swain reports

KELVIN Davis did the double on Sunday night, picking up both major player of the year awards when Luton Town Supporters Club held their annual presentation night. He was the choice of the fans, and of his fellow-players.

Marvin Johnson and Matthew Spring ran him closest, but Spring did pick up an award, chosen as player of the year by the junior members of LTSC.

The young player of the year, selected by the manager and coaching staff, was Tresor Kandol, the club's leading scorer. He has already made his league debut, while still a member of the championship-winning youth team. In the youth team his record is remarkable - 21 goals in 31 appearances. He has netted another five in 15 matches for the reserves.

Congratulations to TK and all the winners, and to Paul Lowe and his youngsters, champions of the South East Counties League for the third consecutive year. See page 43.

Fans flock to FLAG

THE MOST gratifying feature of the first public meeting organised by FLAG - the Fans of Luton Action Group - was probably the turn-out. The Police estimate was that between 1,100 and 1,200 supporters crowded into the Vauxhall canteen at Chalton, and almost everything said was very positive.

A bucket collection raised £10,000 on the night, plus a small assortment of foreign coins, and pledges to fund a share bid to buy a controlling interest in Luton Town have now passed £140,000.

Estate agents Connells have given FLAG free use of a town centre office, and receiver John Kelly announced that after the club was offered for sale through an ad in the Financial Times 20 requests for particulars had been received.

Labour MP Margaret Moran, a Millwall fan and former leader of Lewisham Council, pledged her support for the scheme to turn Luton Town into a community-owned club. It worked at Bournemouth, and fans listened with interest as representatives from the South Coast club explained how it had been done.

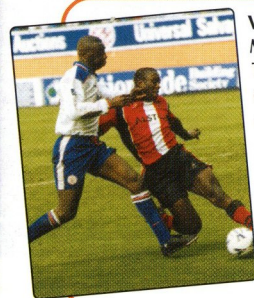
Mrs Moran was the only speaker subject to heckling - supporters had not forgotten that the current problems began at the time the planning application for a new stadium, approved by a public enquiry, had been rejected by John Prescott, deputy Prime Minister in the Labour government the MP supports. But she drew applause for her advice of "Let's all work together and we will get there."

The receiver assured supporters that the funding to keep Luton Town in business was in place "for the short term" and that he was trying to negotiate a new lease with Luton Borough Council for the continued use of Kenilworth Road because any new ground development was five or six years away.

He added: "I will work with anyone to take the club forward."

And in a Press statement from his company, Buchler Phillips, he said this week: "We will work with the supporters organisation to see if it is possible for them to buy the club. However, a substantial sum would not only be required to buy the club, but also to operate it in the future. I remain confident that a buyer will be found."

FLAG, an amalgam of every strand of Luton Town fans, was delighted with the response to its first meeting. They asked us to pass on this message: "The Fans of Luton Action Group would like to thank wholeheartedly all those supporters who attended. Your support and generosity on the evening was simply fantastic. It was the perfect start to our public campaign. The money raised and pledged on the night will help us set up a fighting fund to achieve our objective of community ownership of our club."



VERSATILE:

Mitchell Thomas, player-coach, for years a left back, and now a wing-back, pictured in action against Lincoln, when he also figured as an attacker.

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Crowds to swell coffers

ATTENDANCE figures for the last two home games of the season will be studied carefully by all sorts of different people. For FLAG and one of their backers who likes a flutter, they represent cash.

The anonymous sponsor has promised them £1 for every customer over a combined 10,000 aggregate gate at tonight's and Saturday's matches. If we could fill the ground twice, he will be donating £8,000 to FLAG's fighting fund.

Be a real Hatter!

DON'T forget it's party day on Saturday for the final home game of the season. We will be honouring the ten surviving members of our 1959 FA Cup final side, and supporters are invited to make it a bit of a carnival. Wear your boaters, paint your faces, and if you can find one carry a FLAG!

There is a special offer on main stand prices - two for just £10, available to all, not just members. See page 11.

We are pleased that we have now been able to offer invitations to all the 1959 Wembley players still alive. The last to be traced was Allan Brown, and we got to him thanks to a friendship forged 40 years ago by two young journalists who were called up together to do their National Service. One was from Manchester, the other from the Luton News, and they are still friends today, having been best pals in the Army in Cyprus in 1959 and 1960, when it was anything but a holiday island.

The Luton guy's mate now works for the local evening paper at Blackpool, and was roped in to aid the search for Allan Brown. We thought he still lived in the town - he was a much-respect player and manager at both Luton and Blackpool - and the Evening Gazette very kindly printed an article asking if anyone knew his whereabouts. The result was more than 30 phone calls to Luton in the first two hours after the paper was published, several of them able to give the address and phone number we wanted.

Your chance to help

RECRUITMENT of matchday stewards for next season is now under way. The requirement is for men and women between 18 and 55 who are fit and of good character. Full training will be given, and if you are interested please contact Geoff Lovell, the club's safety manager, on Luton 411622 to ask for an application form, or for further information. The club is also looking for a disabled supporters co-ordinator, to work on a voluntary basis next season. If you think you can help, please phone Cherry Newbery, also on Luton 411622.

A fan says thanks

SOME weeks ago we printed an article about a Derby County fan's efforts to trace goalkeeper Jake Findlay. Trevor Whetton is trying to collect the autograph of every man who had played for Derby since 1958, and big Jake had one game for them while on loan from Kenilworth Road. Mr Whetton has now written again from his home in Leicestershire to ask us to pass on his very grateful thanks. He received a dozen calls, all from very friendly and helpful Luton Town supporters, and has now got the autograph he wanted. The goalkeeper who joined us from Aston Villa is still in the midlands, living near Sutton Coldfield, and Mr Whetton reports that when he phoned he was met by a real gentleman.

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Hatters Roll-Call 1998/99

	Appearances				Total	Goals			
	League	WC	FAC	AWS		League	WC	FAC	Total
Abbey	1	0	0	1	2	0	0	0	0
Boyce	1	0	0	1	2	0	0	0	0
Cox	3(5)	1(1)	0	0	4(6)	0	0	0	0
Davis	42	7	2	0	51	0	0	0	0
Doherty	5(13)	0(1)	1(1)	0(1)	6(16)	5	0	0	5
Douglas	39	6	1(1)	0	46(1)	9	2	0	11
Dyche	14	0	0	1	15	1	0	0	1
Fotiadis	8(10)	1(1)	0	1	10(11)	2	1	0	3
Fraser	2(3)	0	0	1	3(3)	0	0	0	0
Gray	30(3)	6	2	0	38(3)	8	3	2	13
George	5(4)	0(2)	0	0	5(6)	0	0	0	0
Johnson	39	7	1	0	47	0	1	0	1
Kandol	2(2)	0	0	0(1)	2(3)	0	0	0	0
McGowan	27(4)	7	2	0	36(4)	0	0	0	0
McIndoe	14(5)	2(1)	(2)	1	17(8)	0	0	0	0
McKinnon	27(1)	4(1)	2	0	33(2)	2	0	0	2
McLaren	14(8)	1(3)	2	1	18(11)	0	1	0	1
Scarlett	2(4)	0	0(1)	0(1)	2(6)	1	0	0	1
Showler	2(1)	0	0	0	2(1)	0	0	0	0
Spring	42	7	1(1)	0	50(1)	3	0	0	3
Thomas	23(6)	3	0	0	26(6)	0	0	0	0
Thorpe	4(1)	0	0	0	4(1)	2	0	0	2
White	15(15)	0(3)	1	1	17(18)	1	0	0	1
Willmott	10(1)	0	0	0	10(1)	0	0	0	0
Zahana-Oni	4(4)	0	0	0	4(4)	0	0	0	0

Also played: Alexander 28(1) league apps, 4 goals; 7 Worthington Cup apps 2 goals. S. Davis 21 league appearances, 6 goals; 6 Worthington Cup apps, 2 goals; 2 FA Cup apps, 2 goals. Evers 27 league apps, 3 goals; 7 Worthington Cup apps, 1 goal; 2 FA Cup apps; 1 Auto Windscreens Shield app. Harrison 14 league apps, 1 Autowindscreens Shield app. Marshall 3(1) League apps, 1 goal; 3 Worthington Cup apps. Davies 2 League appearances. Bacque 2(5) League apps; 1(2) Worthington Cup apps; 1 Auto Windscreens Shield. Nyamah 1 FA Cup appearance, 1 as sub Worthington Cup.

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Lennie Lawrence

from the manager's chair



AFTER THE disappointment of a poor show in our last home match, against Lincoln, where we were tired and jaded after two pointless away games, Saturday's performance at Notts County was very much better.

We had enjoyed a week clear of fixtures, and a good week's training, and the benefits were there for all to see at Meadow Lane.

Once again it was a very young team, but assisted by the return to the side of Ray McKinnon, and by the return to form of Tony Thorpe. His first goal had an element of luck about it in terms of a deflection, but to score any sort of goal you have got to be there, and get in a shot.

His second was a classic Thorpe finish and I doubt if anyone else on the pitch would be capable of it.

The partnership between Thorpe and Stuart Douglas looked very good against a big strong defence, and Douglas turned in his best performance for some time as leader of the line.

Everybody else made their contributions in a good team performance, not least the defence, because we had to withstand a real aerial bombardment as County made desperate efforts to score.

Their goal was a disappointing one to concede, in a scramble from a corner, but even after the equaliser we looked capable of getting another goal, and how nice to be able to say that!

At half time we spoke of the certainty that Notts County would be getting a rolicking in their dressing room, and would come out determined to throw everything at us. We felt it would be a 15-minute onslaught, but that they would not have enough in the tank for much more than that.

So it proved, and we were right in saying that once we had got through that spell we would be all right if we kept playing our football, which is what we did.

And the result looked even better as the other scores came in: County kicked off a place ahead of us but are now only four places clear of the bottom four, and still wondering if 49 points will be enough.

It might be, but we wanted to pass the 50-point mark, and having done that we can now push on to achieve the two other targets I set a few weeks ago. Safeguarding our league status had to be top, but the run of three consecutive defeats did little for our self-belief after I had called for us to cement a place in the top half of the table, and to pass last season's total of 57 points.

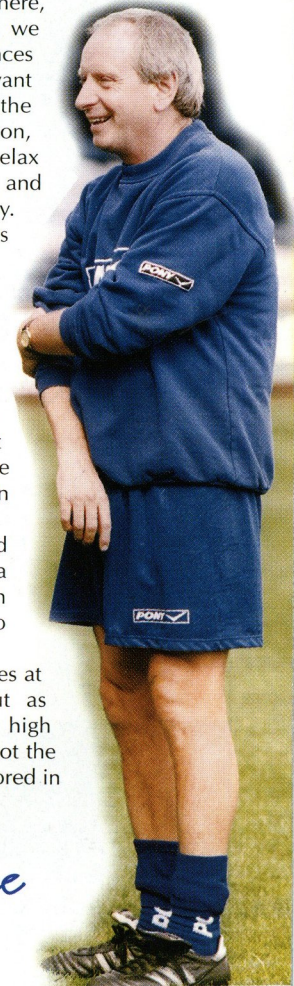
Those ambitions looked a bit sick when we lost to Lincoln, but now once more it's on. Chesterfield tonight will be playing for their pride, having ensured their customary position in the top half of the table. In October, when we should have played them, we were going great guns, but tonight we will be fielding a very different team. I trust we will give you a very different result from the one at Chesterfield five weeks ago. There,

in the second half particularly, we gave one of our worst performances of the season, and tonight we want to redress that. We let the supporters down on that occasion, but now we should be able to relax and concentrate on our football, and give you a performance to enjoy.

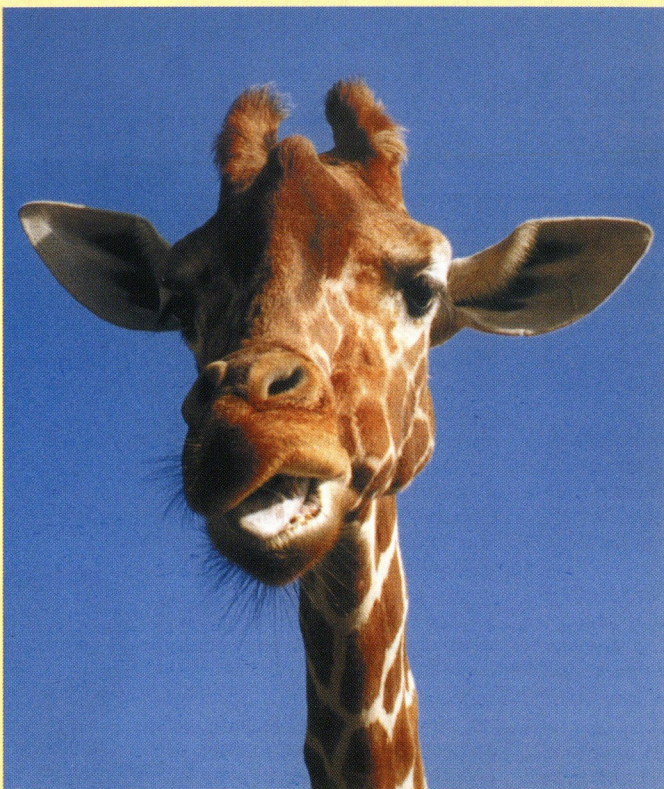
The support at Meadow Lane was excellent, and I thank you for that. We sense that there has been a willingness to all pull together for the good of the club since we went into receivership, and that unity could be crucial for Luton Town, on and off the field. I trust that tonight the team and the supporters will again be united in enjoying a victory.

Then we will try to kick on, and wind up the home season with a win over Macclesfield on Saturday, before going to Millwall for the final match.

There may well be major changes at this club in the summer, but as always we need to finish on a high note because more often than not the way you end one season is mirrored in the way you start the next.



Lennie Lawrence



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Marv in charge

captain's log



IT WAS a very happy coachload of players that came home from Notts County after getting the result we wanted, and knowing we had played well enough to deserve it.

And what a pleasure to see Tony Thorpe on the Luton Town score-sheet again! It was the Thorpey of old, an instinctive goal scorer who seems to have the knack of doing the right thing without having to take time to think about it.

Mind you, we let him know that his first goal had a bit of luck about it - I don't think the shot was hit as cleanly as he meant, and it caught a deflection on its way into the net. But as the boss has pointed out, if you don't shoot, you don't get goals. And the winner was a real gem, an absolutely quality finish, and what Thorpey does best. He's still not fully match fit, either - it will be interesting to see what he can do when he is!

We knew we owed supporters a decent performance, because we let them down in the home game against Lincoln. That result was a real kick in the teeth, but at least we responded with a very positive show at Meadow Lane. We went there on 49 points, and we will not know until the end of the season if that total is enough to retain Second Division status. We didn't want to risk it. We knew that if we could win at Nottingham, that would almost certainly do it. I have had a few seasons at Luton where we have been battling right through to the last match, and it is not nice. Nerves and tension take over, and you get to a situation where you fear the possibility of making the slightest mistake.

In those circumstances it is almost impossible to play well, but now we are able to be fairly relaxed. We were in the right frame of mind at Meadow Lane, and that reflects great credit on all the players, but particularly the younger ones. In many ways it is easier to cope with away matches because home teams feel under more pressure to attack, and we can be pretty good at counter-attacking and exploiting the extra space you often get away from home.

Stuart Fraser came into the side for only his second league match, and did very well. Michael McIndoe is another young player who has shown he can make the step up, and speaking as a defender I have to say I appreciated the work of Alan White and Chris Willmott at Meadow Lane.

Chris has been a revelation, and settled in comfortably, and Whitey knows that he now has a real chance to establish himself in the team. I hope he grabs it, if only to reduce the average age of the defence!

Stuart Douglas worked like a demon at Meadow Lane, and sometimes you forget that Matthew Spring, who has played 50 games this season, is still only 19. We ask young players to do well for us, and we have been fortunate this season that so many have risen to the occasion.

I thought every player did his job well on Saturday, and we were quite comfortable, even when County put on a bit of pressure. The travelling supporters, once again, were very helpful, and they deserved a good performance after three consecutive defeats.

You deserve another one tonight, and while we know Chesterfield will give us a good game, we owe it to fans and ourselves to make up for the result at Chesterfield. We did not play at all well up there, and let ourselves down. We just didn't get going, and they deserved to win on that occasion.

Tonight we would like to put the record straight, on that score, and to improve our home record.

We would like to end the season on a high note, and collect victories in our last two home games.

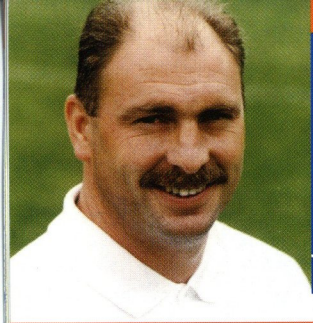
Finally, congratulations to Kelvin Davis, who has done the double in the player of the year awards. We all enjoyed meeting the fans on Sunday evening at the Luton Town Supporters Club's end-of-season presentation night. We were given a warm welcome, perhaps with Saturday's result playing a part in that! Kelvin was the supporters' player of the year, and was also the choice of the players, after a ballot in the dressing room.

Well done, Kelv - only 22 and a seasoned pro already! He is another young player who has taken on responsibility in a season which has not been too easy for the club, and he well deserved the trophies he picked up on Sunday.

Have a good 'un tonight Kelv - and I hope we give the supporters the performance and the result they want, tonight and again on Saturday against Macclesfield.



Marvin Johnson



Clive Goodyear

from the treatment room

THE MOST worrying moment at Notts County on Saturday was when Michael McIndoe collapsed in a heap in stoppage time, unable to move and eventually brought off on a stretcher after the final whistle blew.

Thankfully, it is "only" cramp, but still a problem. He got a bad kick on a calf muscle earlier in the game, which led to the muscle tightening up, and when the cramp hit it was very painful. The whole of his leg seized up, but I would hope treatment will enable him to be fit and ready for selection again tonight.

More serious is the recurrence of Ray McKinnon's injury. He was back in the side for the first time in five weeks, and during the game his hamstring trouble flared up again. It is not the usual hamstring strain, but one brought on by a lower back problem.

He will have a thorough examination, with particular regard to his posture. Back trouble is an ever-growing problem of modern life, not just in football, and I suspect it may be about today's lifestyle. Years ago we did a lot more walking, which was good for backs. Now, people use cars much more, with the result that muscles are not used as much as they might be. I don't know yet if that is the cause of Ray's condition, but it is painful for him, and my feeling after Saturday's game was that he would do well to recover fully in time for tonight's match.

If you were at Meadow Lane you will have seen Tanny Abbey on the subs' bench for the first time in a league match. The reason was that Kelvin Davis had been under treatment for a hip injury and heavy bruising suffered in the game against Lincoln. We were worried most about a calf muscle injury, and he went into the Notts County match feeling very sore. He had the determination to get through the match despite the pain, and the extra few days since then mean that he should be much more comfortable tonight.

Phil Gray is getting much nearer to fitness again, and there was a chance that he could be considered for tonight.

Another striker, Andrew Fotiadis, is also close to being ready to play again, but has had more treatment for his ankle injury. We are monitoring him in training, but he was not comfortable enough to be in the squad at Notts County.

Liam George and Gary Doherty are back from their trip to Nigeria with the Irish youth team, and while they may be disappointed at not reaching the final stages - Ireland were knocked out on penalties by Nigeria - the club was pleased to see them come back a little early. They are both fit young men, but having endured great heat and high humidity in Nigeria for three weeks, it will take them anything up to three weeks to recover completely from it. It was a long tiring journey home, and you often find that in cases like this mental tiredness sets in. Liam, of course, had a long time on the sidelines after his broken leg, so the effect on him was greater.

Sadly, it is now confirmed that Paul McLaren has played his last game of the season. He has had surgery on his left knee, following his injury at Oldham on Good Friday. It has repaired a torn cartilage and ligament damage, and the operation seems to have been a complete success. But he will not complete his recovery in time to play on either of the next two Saturdays, so he will have to settle for working throughout the summer to be ready for full training in the pre-season programme.

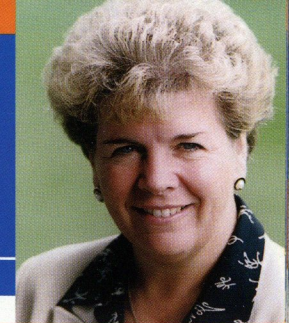
The same goes for Andre Scarlett, although in his case it is treatment, but not an operation, after a surgeon looked at his injured medial ligament.

Our other two long-term injured men, Julian James and Paul Showler are also now looking at returns for pre-season work. Showler will have a scan on his knee to determine what needs to be done to clear up his latest injury, while James has had the pin removed as the final operation in a programme of surgery on his broken leg. That will improve his running action, and I hope he will be able to reach full training speed by late summer.

Clive Goodyear



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Cherry Newbery

club secretary

THE BUCKET collection in the ground at our last home match produced a very good response from supporters. I am pleased to tell you that £610 was contributed to the Rotary and International Red Cross Kosovo Refugee Children's Appeal. Luton North Rotary Club, who organised the collection, have also expressed their appreciation.

Contrary to what you may have heard elsewhere, we are now actively planning for next season's programme in the Nationwide League, and there will be a few changes.

I told you some time ago that next season the Nationwide will follow the example of the Premiership in having squad numbers for all players, and names on the back of their shirts. Shorts will also carry the squad numbers.

I mentioned in my column a few weeks ago, that teams will be able to name up to five substitutes, any three of whom will be able to play, and I reported that as a result we were having to enlarge the dug-out.

We put together a mock-up to see how much space we needed, and realised that the extension plan was not on. It would have spoiled the view for many supporters in the enclosure, and taken away a number of very popular seats.

So we have decided to build new dug-outs, one for each team, on the opposite side of the ground, near the half-way line in front of the hospitality boxes. The change will enable us to provide a facility matching today's requirements, not only in terms of space, but to have home and away dug-outs at least eight metres apart.

The demolition of the present dug-out will enable us to put 40-plus extra seats into the enclosure, in an area which is very popular with supporters.

They will be offered first to existing enclosure season ticket holders in block D.

Supporters who sit in block D will, I am sure, be delighted to know that we are moving the TV camera position which at present reduces their view, and next season they will find they no longer have to suffer from that obstruction.

We still have one more home game this season, of course, and I hope that we all have a day to enjoy



with the 1959 FA Cup final team reunion. May I remind season ticket holders again that having used their last league game voucher tonight, they can gain admission on Saturday by offering Cup Voucher L. And please see page 11 for a reminder about bargain price tickets, and cash admission to the ground.

Finally, belated birthday congratulations today to one of our most loyal supporters: the picture shows Len Eames, from Little Gaddesden, who was 85 on the day we played York City, and we were delighted to join in his celebrations and add our own contributions to his birthday presents, with Happy Harry doing the honours.

If any supporter wants to have a happy birthday message broadcast over the public address system, drop me a line a fortnight or so before the day, and we will try to oblige. And let us know if it is a special birthday.

Cherry Newbery



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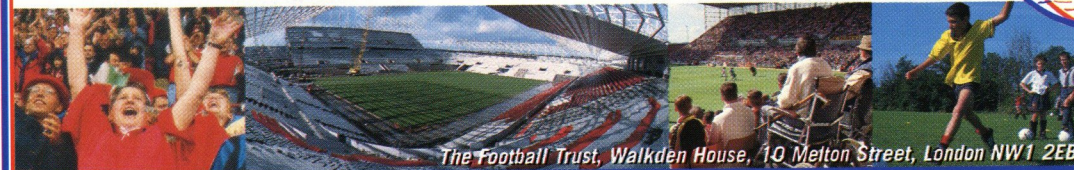
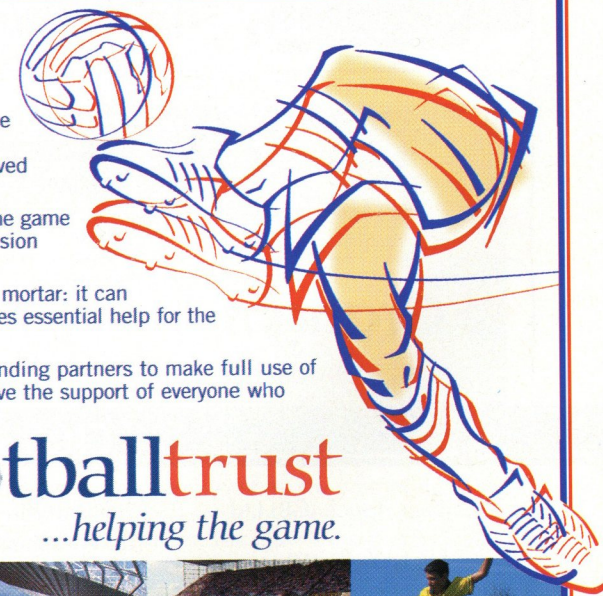
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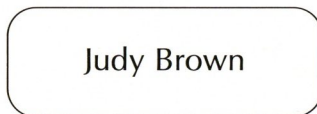
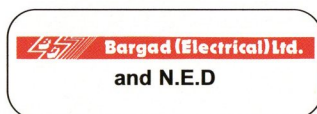
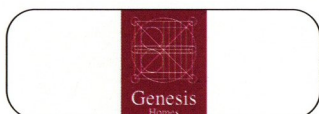
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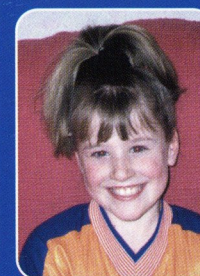
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HAVE you ever thought about watching football from a different angle - from one of our executive boxes, for instance? Get a group together, and it need not be very expensive, and it is a highly enjoyable way of watching the Town with a little luxury thrown in.

We have boxes of various sizes, and can offer all kinds of packages in terms of catering and drinks, either for one match or, for the very best value for money, for a whole season.

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NINE-year-old Sascha Gustard-Brown will have a very close look at her favourite footballers tonight, because she is the commercial mascot, one of the sponsorship packages we offer. She will join the players before kick-off, and meet the match officials as they gather with the skippers for the toss-up.

Sascha lives at Swasedale Road, Luton, and goes to the Meads School, Luton, and when we asked her to name her favourite player she exercised every young lady's right to be blunt and to the point - "Liam George... I prefer his new hairstyle!"

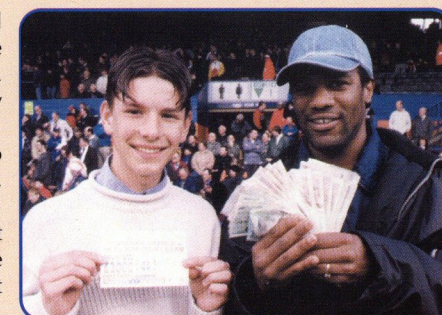
Football mad, Sascha comes to home games with her dad and granddad and usually watches from her uncle's executive box. We hear she nags her dad a little to take her to an away match because she is fed up of hearing what a great day out it was at Fulham. Her hobbies are swimming and football, much to her mum's consternation - Mrs Gustard-Brown is a Leicester Tigers season ticket holder, preferring the egg-chasing game to the real thing. Apparently she hasn't yet worked out that if God meant the ball to be carried He would have put handles on it!

Golden Gamble

AS A true Luton Town supporter, Michael Sapsford was not too happy at our last home game, as he watched us lose to Lincoln City. Except that he went home with 524 very handy consolations.

He is pictured with Gavin McGowan, who handed over a nice little earner to Michael, of Hunts Close, Luton - £524 to be precise. Michael's was the lucky number pulled out of the drum in the Golden Gamble competition, and his winning ticket cost just £1.

Some-one will win another jackpot this evening. Golden Gamble sellers are on duty all around the ground, and will be pleased to offer you the chance to take home a fistful of fivers and tenners. The size of the prize depends on how many £1 tickets are sold. The Golden Gamble income is split 50/50 split, half to club funds and half to the holder of the lucky ticket. The draw is made at half-time, in front of the main stand.



see every



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Goals, goals, goals! See every goal from the weekend with ITV's Nationwide Football League Extra, in association with Nationwide Building Society.

We'll be on air just after midnight on Mondays and repeated later in the week in many regions.

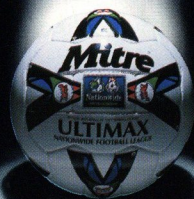
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SUPPORTERS who use the Kenilworth stand are being asked today for their views on our membership scheme. It has been in operation for 14 years, and despite initial opposition in football, many other clubs have since opted for something similar.

The membership scheme has proved remarkably popular with Hatters supporters and we currently have 7,000 members. If you want to sit in the Kenilworth you need a membership card.

Today, we are asking those customers for their views on whether we should change that policy. We are carrying out a survey to discover if supporters want the membership scheme to continue unchanged in the Kenilworth. Or should it be abolished? Or, would Kenilworth stand customers like to be able to bring in their guests who are not members?

Please fill in the survey forms, and hand them back to a steward, or into the ticket office. Your opinion matters!

Last Away Game



AFTER Saturday's final home game of the season, against Macclesfield, we go to the New Den to play Millwall to complete our season. The best advice we can offer for travelling to the match is to use Town on Tour or Bobbers Travel Club coaches, or go by public transport. Details will be in Saturday's match magazine.

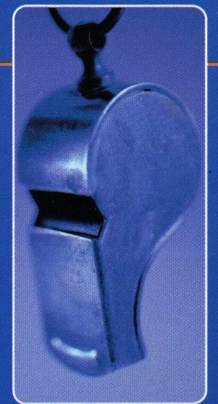
The Man in the Middle

PAYING his second visit to Kenilworth Road this year, Matt Messias from York is tonight's referee, and we hope it is a little less dramatic than when he was here last, for the visit of Wycombe in January. That game saw three red cards awarded, with Wycombe finishing with nine men. Their manager, Neil Smillie, was sacked a couple of days later.

Mr Messias is a head of physical education, and his biggest games as an

official have been as an assistant, running the line in the 1997 European Cup-winners Cup semi-final and in a World Cup qualifier in Hungary.

Mr Messias started as a referee in local leagues at York, and became a Football League linesman in 1992 and a Premier League linesman a year later. A panel league referee since 1995, he was put onto the FIFA linesman list the same year, and is now in his third season as a Football League referee.

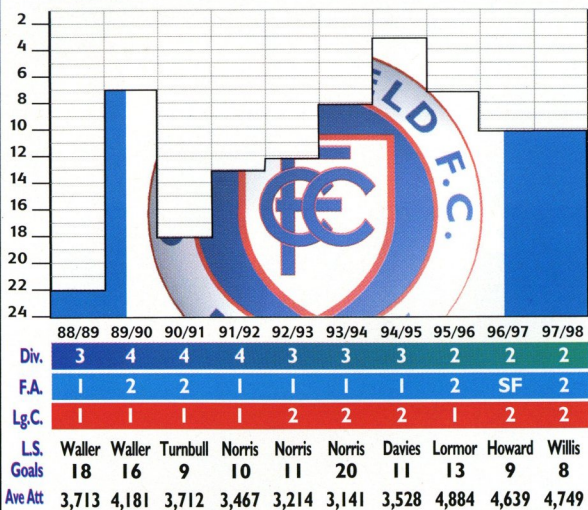


TOWN TEASER

LUTON Town achieved a 1-1 draw in the FA Cup fourth round in 1994, away to Newcastle United. Who scored the Hatters' goal?

Listen for the PA announcer to ask this question this evening - if you know the answer you could win a prize.

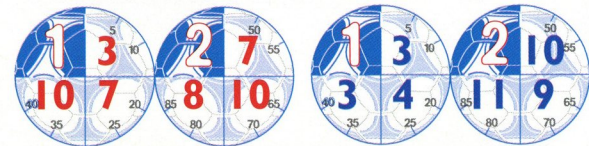
Chesterfield's last ten years - the full record



Who's played for The Spireites this season...

Player	Pos	Lge	Lge	Age	Ht	Weight	Prev. Club	Int.
		Apps	Gls					
Ian Breckin	D	40	1	24	5'11"	11'07"	Rotherham	
Billy Mercer	G	40		29	6'1"	13'03"	Sheff Utd	
Mark Williams	D	37	3	28	6'0"	13'00"	Shrewsbury	
David Reeves	F	36(3)	10	31	6'0"	12'06"	Preston	
Marcus Ebdon	M	36(1)	1	28	5'10"	11'07"	Peterborough	Wales U21
Jamie Hewitt	M	36	2	30	5'10"	11'04"	Doncaster	
Jonathan Howard	F	31(2)	9	27	5'11"	12'00"	Rotherham	
Chris Beaumont	M	31(4)	2	33	5'11"	11'07"	Stockport	
Chris Perkins	M	29(1)	1	25	5'11"	11'00"	Mansfield	
Paul Holland	M	28(1)	3	25	5'11"	12'03"	Sheff Utd	Eng U21
Tom Curtis	M	24	3	26	5'8"	11'07"	Derby	
Shane Nicholson	D	23(1)		28	5'10"	11'10"	West Brom	
Steve Wilkinson	F	18(5)	6	30	5'11"	11'11"	Preston	
Mark Jules	D	18(4)		27	5'7"	11'00"	Scarborough	
Jason Lee	F	12(8)	1	27	6'3"	13'03"	Watford	
Roger Willis	M	7(9)		31	6'0"	12'00"	Peterborough	
Steve Blatherwick	D	7(4)	1	25	6'1"	15'00"	on loan from Burnley	
Steven Lenagh	D	4(3)	1	20	5'11"	10'09"		
Jamie Lomas	M	3(2)		21	5'11"	10'09"		
Andy Leaning	G	2		35	6'2"	13'00"	Lincoln	
Anthony Carss	M	(1)		23	5'10"	11'08"	Cardiff	
Andy Morris	F	(1)		31	6'4"	14'07"	Rotherham	
Greg Pearce	M	(1)		18	5'9"	10'09"		
Scott Eustace	D			23	6'0"	13'06"	Mansfield	

When Chesterfield have scored goals... and conceded them



SPIREITES' SINNERS

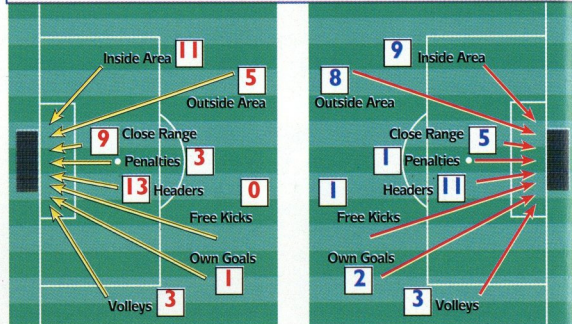
- Williams...8
- Ebdon...7
- Lee...5
- Curtis...4
- Hewitt...4
- Perkins...4
- Breckin...3
- Holland...3
- Beaumont...2
- Howard...2
- Reeves...2

HATTERS' HARD MEN

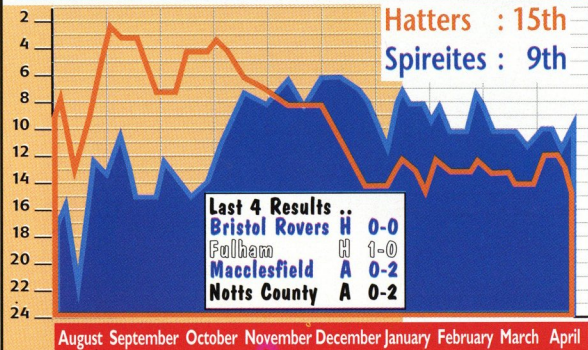
- McGowan...9
- McLaren...6
- Alexander...5
- McKinnon...5
- Davis S...4
- Johnson...4
- Thomas...4
- Douglas...3
- Gray...3
- White...3
- George...2

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How The Spireites have scored goals... and conceded them



League Positions throughout the season



When The Hatters have scored goals... and conceded them

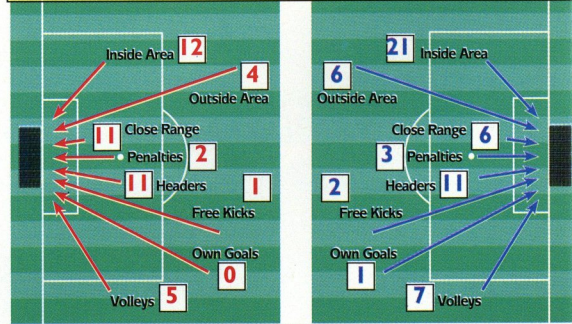


Hatters v Spireites

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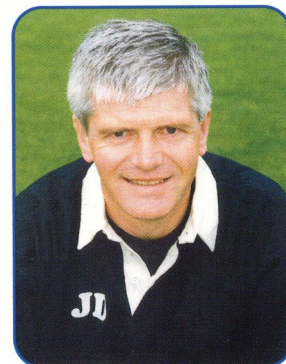
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How Luton have scored goals... and conceded them



Chesterfield

welcome to tonight's visitors



JOHN DUNCAN (Manager)

During his playing career John was a top class striker. He played at the highest level for both Tottenham and Derby County scoring a goal in every other game. His managerial career began at Scunthorpe in 1981 before arriving at Saltergate in 1983 via a brief spell at Hartlepool. He guided the Spireites to the Fourth Division Championship in 1985 before moving on to Ipswich the following season. After three seasons at Portman Road John dropped out of the game to take up a teaching post arriving back at Saltergate in February 1993. During his present spell at Saltergate John has guided Chesterfield to promotion and has seen the Spireites just miss out on the Division Two Play-offs over the last two seasons. The highlight though has to be the FA Cup run in 1997 when the Blues reached the semi-final before going out to Middlesbrough in a replay.

KEVIN RANDALL (Assistant Manager)

A former player and manager of Chesterfield F.C., Ashton born Kevin resumed his association with the Spireites, which is now in it's 33rd year, upon the re-appointment of John Duncan. As a striker he hit 181 goals in 556 league appearances with Bury, Chesterfield, Notts. County, Mansfield and York City. Kevin was a member of the 1969/70 Fourth Division Championship winning side and number two to John Duncan when the feat was repeated 15 years later. He completed a unique hat trick of promotions with the club four seasons ago.



Back row: Iain Dunn, David Reeves, Roger Willis, Tony Carss, James Lomas, Greg Pearce, Michael Simpkins, Chris Beaumont, Marcus Ebdon.
Middle Row: Alan Young (Youth development officer), Mark Williams, Ian Breckin, Steve Lenagh, Andy Leaning, Billy Mercer, Andy Morris, Darren Carr, Steve Wilkinson, Dave Rushbury (Physio).
Front Row: Mark Jules, Tom Curtis, Chris Perkins, John Duncan (Manager), Kevin Randall (Assistant manager), Jonathan Howard, Paul Holland, Jamie Hewitt.

BILLY MERCER (*Goalkeeper*)

£93,000 signing from Sheffield United in December 1995 following a quite superb loan spell earlier in the season. The former Liverpool FC trainee made over 100 league appearances for Rotherham United but found first team opportunities hard to come by at Bramall Lane. Regarded by many as the best 'keeper in the 2nd Division.

ANDY LEANING (*Goalkeeper*)

Andy has over 200 league appearances behind him for York City, Sheffield United, Bristol City and Lincoln City. He arrived at Saltergate in October 1996 as cover for Billy Mercer and has gone on to make 17 first team outings.

IAN BRECKIN (*Defender*)

Summer 1997 signing from Rotherham United for £100,000 following the departure of club captain Sean Dyche to Bristol City. The central defender rose through the trainee ranks at Milimoor to make over 100 appearances for his home town club. Ian had an excellent first season with the Spireites, in which he was named 'players' player of the year'.

JAMIE HEWITT (*Defender*)

Chesterfield born utility player, now in his second spell at the Recreation Ground, after rejoining the Spireites in October 1993 from Doncaster Rovers. Jamie is nearing 500 first class appearances for his hometown club since signing professional forms in April 1986. He will always be remembered for heading the last gasp equaliser against Middlesbrough in the 1997 FA Cup semi-final. Jamie is currently in his testimonial season with the Blues.

MARK JULES (*Defender*)

Signed as a wide attacking player, Mark has developed into an excellent man-marking fullback. Snapped up from Scarborough for

£40,000 after a superb two goal showing against the Spireites in the final game of 1992-93, Mark made just one substitute appearance for his home town club, Bradford City prior to a free transfer to Scarborough in August 1991.

CHRIS PERKINS (*Defender*)

Formerly with Mansfield Town, Nottingham born Chris was picked up on a free transfer during the summer of 1994. Originally signed to provide defensive cover, Chris is now approaching 150 first team outings, including a Wembley appearance in the 1995 Play-off Final. An excellent club man who can always be relied upon to put in 100% effort.

MARK WILLIAMS (*Defender*)

Mark was a bargain from Shrewsbury Town during the summer of 1995. A powerful centre half he has been virtually an ever-present being named supporters player of the year for the past two seasons. Bomber's consistent performances have seen him linked with Premiership side Coventry City during last season.

GREG PEARCE (*Defender*)

Local lad who has come through the junior ranks at Saltergate. Tall defender who signed professional at the end of last season.

JAMES LOMAS (*Midfielder*)

Jamie has come through the junior ranks at Saltergate. He broke into the first team during the back end of last season. Can operate in midfield or at right wing back.

TOM CURTIS (*Midfielder*)

Born in Exeter. Tom spent two years with Derby County before impressing John Duncan during a trial spell. The midfield dynamo has clocked up more than 230 first team outings since then and looks to have a big future in the game.



Steve Wilkinson



Mark Jules

MARCUS EBDON (*Midfielder*)

Classy midfielder signed from Peterborough United for £100,000 in March 1997. The former Welsh Under-21 International was a trainee at Everton prior to moving to London Road.

PAUL HOLLAND (*Midfielder*)

Signed for £155,000 from Sheffield United in January 1996. The Sleaford born midfielder spent just six months at Bramall Lane after joining the Blades from Mansfield Town, where he clocked up 25 goals in 149 outings. Club captain Paul is approaching 100 first team appearances.

CHRIS BEAUMONT (*Midfielder*)

Sheffield born Chris guaranteed himself a place in local folklore by scoring the winning goal against Wrexham in the 1997 FA Cup quarterfinal. A £22,500-signing from Stockport County the previous summer, the right side midfield made over 300 appearances in his seven years at Edgeley Park after starting out with Rochdale.

STEVE LENAGH (*Midfielder*)

Joined Chesterfield during the summer of 1997 after being released by Sheffield Wednesday. The young midfielder will be hoping to establish himself in the first team after making a handful of appearances last season.

TONY CARSS (*Midfielder*)

Summer signing from Cardiff City. A versatile left sided player with plenty of pace. Began his career at Blackburn and has also played for Darlington.

ROGER WILLIS (*Striker*)

A £130,000 capture from Peterborough United twelve months ago, 'Harry' marked his first



season with the Spireites by finishing leading scorer on eleven goals. A versatile player with an eye for the spectacular, Roger has also been on the books of Grimsby Town, Barnet, Watford, Birmingham City and Southend United.

JONATHON HOWARD (*Striker*)

Top scorer in 1996-97, Jonathon found the net just six times in an injury-disrupted campaign last season. He started out with Rotherham United, signing professional forms in July 1990, but was limited to just 36 league outings for the Millers. Jon has featured in around 140 matches for the Blues, a third of which have been as a substitute.

STEVE WILKINSON (*Striker*)

Signed for £150,000 from Preston North End twelve months ago, Steve has taken a while to settle at Saltergate. He has more than 100 league goals to his name, six of them coming last season, in a career which has taken in Leicester City, Rochdale (loan), Crewe Alexandra (loan) and Mansfield Town.

JASON LEE (*Striker*)

Chesterfield's record signing, he cost the Spireites £250,000 from Watford in August 1998. The 6ft 4" striker began his career with Nottingham Forest before joining the Hornets in July 1997 for £200,000. He netted eleven goals in Watford's Division Two Championship side last season.

DAVID REEVES (*Striker*)

A hard working striker brought in from Preston North End last season. Struck up an immediate rapport with the fans and chipped in with six goals. The much-travelled forward started out with Sheffield Wednesday and has also been on the books of Bolton Wanderers, Carlisle United, Notts. County, Burnley and Scunthorpe.

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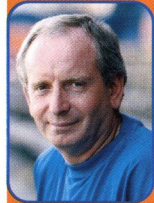
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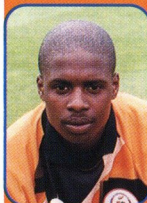
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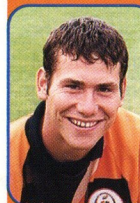
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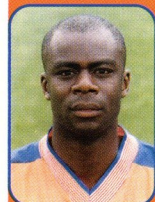
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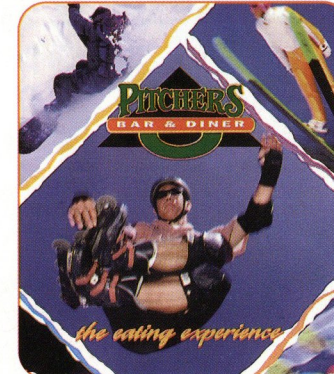
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talk to the professionals

Hatters on Card

by Alan Robinson

THROUGHOUT this series we have featured cards that have been issued with a variety of products, with cigarettes, bubble-gum, confectionery, newspapers and comics the most popular sources.

Today we add another product to the list, with this example from Lambert & Sons, a firm of tea blenders from Norwich.

Tea cards, especially from Brooke Bond, have been very popular in the post-war era, but there have been very few sets devoted to football emanating from packets of our national beverage, and this is the only one featuring the Hatters that I have in my collection.

This set of 25 cards was issued in 1958, and as the title suggests was primarily designed to illustrate club badges. The colours of each team were also prominent.

Not surprisingly, given the firm's location, there was an East Anglian flavour to this set, with Ipswich Town, Norwich City and Colchester United all included.

On card number 10 we find Luton Town, who in those days favoured a simple strip of white shirts and black shorts. The club's badge, as illustrated on the card, was not worn on the shirts at that time, however.

The badge itself was a derivation of the town's coat of arms, with its shield divided by a cross into four quarters. Unfortunately, the finer details, showing the sheaf of straw and the hive of industry, is not very clear on this card.

Although the football club had long used this design as their official crest, it was not until



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comparatively recently that the design appeared on the playing strip.

It was during the mid 1930s that a badge first appeared on the players' shirts, and this featured a straw boater, usually on a black background, rather than the Borough arms.

This emblem survived briefly after the war before the club decided to revert to a plain look. This survived, with one exception, until 1971, when the official crest was introduced on the shirts. The only time, to my knowledge, that this had been worn previously was for the trip to Wembley for the 1959 FA Cup final.

When the club decided to opt for a colourful orange strip in the mid-seventies the club logo was

also changed, to a navy blue L and T set inside an orange football.

This was incorporated into all the various strips used until 1988. However, by the time of our Littlewoods Cup visit to Wembley, the shirt badge had reverted back to the traditional coat of arms design, and this is still the basis of the design of the badge seen on today's playing strip.

This set of Lamberts tea cards is catalogued at a very modest £2, making it one of the most inexpensive and easily obtainable football issues of its era.



Michael McIndoe

Born: Edinburgh, 2.12.79

Previous clubs: None

Joined Luton Town: 1977 as a YTS boy

Luton debut: v Oxford Utd (H) 11.8.98

Luton Town record (until 23.4.99): 23 appearances



Top Hatters Gallery

Michael McIndoe

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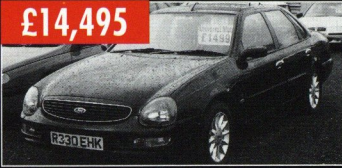
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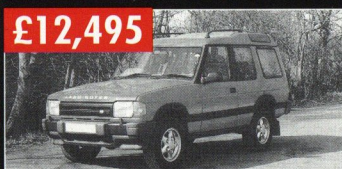
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It happened on this day

by Roger Wash

27th April 1955 Luton Town 2 Bristol Rovers 0

It was very tight at the top of the old Division Two with only one point separating the leading five sides. The Town, due to an impressive home record, had been amongst the challenging pack all season and a win over Bristol Rovers at Kenilworth Road would see them go top once more.

A crowd of 20,120 turned up to see the final home game of the campaign against a Rovers side that had little to play for. Surprisingly, Rovers were extremely physical and long before the end ace goalscorer, Gordon Turner, was limping along the wing after being clattered by Jack Pitt.

One player, however, rose above all the hurly burly. Charlie Watkins was making his final home appearance before emigrating to South Africa and made it a fitting farewell by netting twice and generally making Luton supporters question his decision to retire from the game. Firstly Watkins latched on to a pass from Jim Pemberton to score from close range after six minutes but a 25 yard piledriver soon after the interval brought the house down and knocked the stuffing out of Rovers. Watkins left the field to an ovation from the supporters at the end who knew that his masterful display had enabled the Town to put one foot in the door of Division One.

27th April 1968 Luton Town 1 Bradford City 3

The Town had secured the championship of Division Four on the previous Wednesday evening with a brilliant performance against Crewe and with three games to go the points record set by Peterborough was the next target.

A crowd of 14,147 gathered at Kenilworth Road to see the Town steamroller yet another opponent but City had different ideas. The Bantams were still in with a shout of promotion and played with far more urgency than the Town, who put in a performance which was less than memorable.

Hesitation between Alan Slough and Tony Read let in Bobby Ham to give City an interval lead before Ray Whittaker levelled from the spot early in the second period.

The Luton supporters sat back to watch the floodgates open but a terrible error from normally reliable skipper Terry Branston gifted another goal to City before the rampant Bantams won a penalty with three minutes to go. City's Charlie Rackstraw had never missed from the spot from 38 attempts but Read dived to save his effort. The referee, however, had spotted an infringement and

ordered a retake. This time Rackstraw took the longest run up I can ever remember before narrowly beating Read who got a hand to the ball. Truly a case of 'after the Lord Mayors show'.

27th April 1974 West Brom 1 Luton Town 1

Despite all their best efforts the Town found themselves with the old Division One within their sights with two games of the campaign left to play. A point at West Bromwich would guarantee promotion and several thousand Town supporters made the short trip to the Black Country to see if the players could make the final push and put the Hatters back in the top flight for the first time since 1960.

'Despite their best efforts' is probably a shade cruel but Division Two was pretty poor that season with Jack Charlton's Middlesbrough standing head and shoulders above everyone else and leading the table by a mile. In contrast the Town had huffed and puffed all campaign but every time they lost their fellow 'challengers' obligingly did the same!

An early header from Barry Butlin settled the nerves and with the Town defence comfortably holding the Baggies at distance a win seemed on the cards. The referee then decided to attempt to level things up when he awarded a penalty after Willie Johnson ran into John Faulkner in the box.

Tony Brown netted from the spot but the Town managed to hang on until the end despite several minutes of non-existent injury time. The Town were back in Division One in only Harry Haslam's second season as a football league manager.



A pensive Luton bench of Messrs Game, Aston, Haslam, McCrohan and Bergara wait for the final whistle at West Brom in April 1974.

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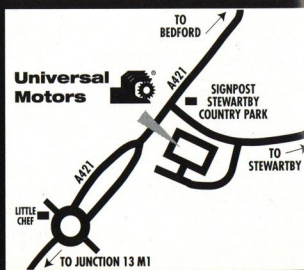
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Into the archives

a blast from the past courtesy of Roger Wash

Tony Gregory was a Luton teenage 'wonderkid' playing for England schoolboys at Wembley as well as turning out for the successful Bedfordshire Youth side that won the national championships. It was no surprise when Town manager, Dally Duncan, snapped Tony up on his 18th birthday in May 1955 offering him a professional contract.

It was obviously expected that he would have to serve his time in the 'A' team and reserves before getting a sniff of the first team but that chance came sooner than expected. "I made my league debut at Sunderland in March 1956 as centre forward up against Welsh international Ray Daniel. We won and I kept my place for the next six games during which time I scored my first goal, against Wolves and England centre-half Billy Wright of Wolves no less."

In and out of the side over the next couple of seasons as he learnt his trade Tony came up against the best sides in the country as the Town more than held their own in the old Division One. Gradually the centre-forward outings changed to a more regular position on the left wing.

After a particularly dismal performance against Birmingham at Kenilworth Road in January 1959 massive changes were made to the team with Tony taking his place on the left wing in preference to Jim Adam. The new look side made its debut in the F.A.Cup third round tie against Leeds at Kenilworth Road with Gregory scoring twice in the 5-1 victory. "I kept my place throughout the Cup run but on the day after the semi-final replay win over Norwich I had to report in for my two year stint in National Service. Although I was, of course, given leave to play for the Town I was literally turning up on the day before the game and so missed out on all the local euphoria surrounding the final itself."

"My commanding officer actually gave me four days leave before the final but it was

treated by the club as a normal game. We had beaten Nottingham Forest 5-1 in the league at Kenilworth Road a month before and whether we were slightly complacent or not we certainly disappointed on the big day. I played well against Forest full-back Bill Whare in the league game but in the final he seemed to have the upper hand although I did have a couple of chances with one header I remember hitting the side netting."

Tony did not have to suffer the post-mortem of the defeat as he had to report to Felixstowe on the day after the game ready to set sail to Germany!

Although Tony only appeared in 18 league games during the following campaign he certainly saw more football action than the average professional, turning out for his battalion, R.E.M.E. and the Army side and sometimes playing five games a week.

"National Service probably came at the wrong time for me for I was only on the fringes of the side at Kenilworth Road due to the fact that I was not training regularly with the team and only appearing on match days. The Town had a disastrous 1959/60 season and when Watford came in for me in March 1960 their manager Ron Burgess convinced me that I would be joining a club on the rise while leaving one on the way down."

Watford won promotion from the old Division Four at the end of that campaign helped, in no small way, by Tony who was now playing in his favoured position of inside-forward for the first time since he was a youngster.

"I enjoyed my time at Vicarage Road but in the



Tony Gregory heads for goal against Leicester at Kenilworth Road.

summer of 1963 Bill McGarry took over from Ron Burgess and my days were numbered. He took a dislike to me and I always maintained that it was because I scored a fluke last minute goal for the Town at Huddersfield, where he was skipper, in the F.A.Cup."

As Tony was on the transfer list he was able to take up a playing appointment abroad and had a short spell as player coach of Hamilton Steelers in Canada which doubled as a long holiday for his wife who had relations there. Deciding to make full use of his qualifications, some of which had been gained in the Army, he decided to turn his back on the professional game and go part time while building up a new career in marketing.

A tour of the non-league sides of the south included spells at Bexley, Bedford, Hastings, Dover, Barnet, Stevenage and Wolverton before he finally hung up his boots in 1976.

As his playing career finished, his marketing career took a mighty leap forward when he

became Marketing Director of the Canning Group in 1976 which meant a move to Wrexham. He then moved on to become Group Marketing Director for the Hunting Group (manufacturers of Hammerite amongst a myriad of other things) in 1986 before setting up as a Business Consultant eight years ago.

Now living near Chester, Tony still keeps a watching brief on the Town and is genuinely looking forward to his return to Kenilworth Road this coming Saturday for the reunion of the 1959 Cup Final squad.

Season	League apps	Cup apps	League goals	Cup goals
1955/56	7	-	2	-
1956/57	13	2	3	-
1957/58	6	4	4	-
1958/59	15	11	3	5
1959/60	18	2	5	-
Total	59	19	17	5

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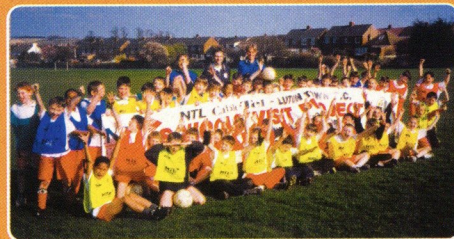
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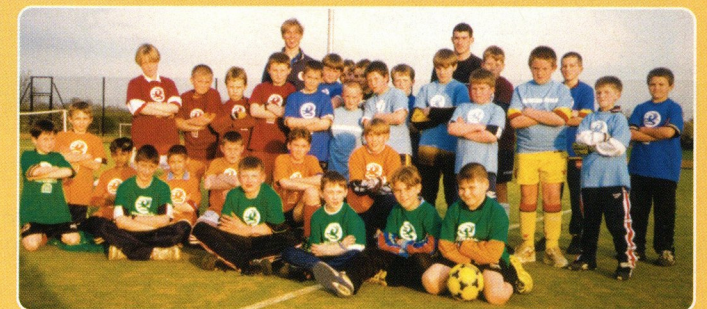
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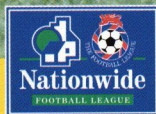
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Action Replay

Luton Town 0 Lincoln City 1

HAVING inched our way into the top half of the Second Division a couple of weeks earlier, we were left looking anxiously over our shoulders again at the other end of the table after bottom club Lincoln inflicted upon us our eighth home defeat of the season, and our third consecutive reverse without scoring a goal.

We were left to talk about what might have been, after a match well short of the entertainment the team is capable of providing.

The turning point was three minutes into the second half, when Tony Thorpe's natural instinct to find space in the penalty area gave him a free header to meet a cross by Stuart Douglas. But he put it well wide, with only the goalkeeper to beat.

"If we had scored then, I am sure we would not have lost," reflected Lennie Lawrence. Instead Lincoln snatched a goal 13 minutes later, and we could hardly begrudge the joy their handful of fans expressed in the Oak Road end.

Lincoln came to Luton on the back of a run which had yielded just one point in six matches, and in the first half we looked nearly as poor as them.

Emmerson Boyce made his league debut as Lawrence had to plug another gap, left by the suspension of Gavin McGowan. The 19-year-old defender did well enough, with the major problem our inability to create clear chances apart from the one Thorpe missed.

In the second half Lincoln were lifted by their goal, and looked hungrier for success, although they might have had a lucky break in the build-up. David Phillips sent Tony Battersby away down Lincoln's left wing, and there was at the very least a suspicion of offside. But the flag stayed down, and Battersby managed to trick his way past Sean Dyche on the by-line and pull back a pass for Lee Thorpe to shoot accurately into the far corner, off a post.

Dyche was making his farewell appearance at the end of his loan spell, and the drain on available

MATCH DETAILS

Luton Town: Davis, Willmott, Thomas, Spring, Dyche, Johnson, Thorpe, Zahana-Oni (Doherty HT), Douglas, McIndoe, Boyce (Fraser 66 mins). Unused sub White.

Booked: No-one

Lincoln: Vaughan, Barnett, Phillips, Fleming, Holmes, Austin, Thorpe, Finnigan (Philpott 87 mins), Battersby (Brown 89 mins), Gordon, Miller. Unused sub Smith.

Booked: Jason Barnett, 61 mins, foul on Douglas; Lee Philpott, 89 mins, time-wasting.

The goal: Lee Thorpe, 61 mins: shot from the edge of the box after Tony Battersby got down the left wing and pulled the ball back from the by-line.

Referee: Philip Dowd, Stoke

Attendance: 5,122.

resources of experience is worrying for the manager.

Injured Phil Gray, he observed, starts to look like Alan Shearer and Chris Sutton rolled into one. Landry Zahana-Oni played for the first 45 minutes, and was then replaced by Gary Doherty - indicative, said the boss, of the problems at Kenilworth Road when he had to be pleased to see the return of a youngster who had just spent the best part of 48 hours travelling back from the world under-20 championships in Nigeria.

"Except for one incident, we didn't look like scoring," admitted the boss. "In the second half Mitchell Thomas was our best forward..."

"We had four 19-year-olds in the side, and on the day they couldn't do it against a big, strong team."

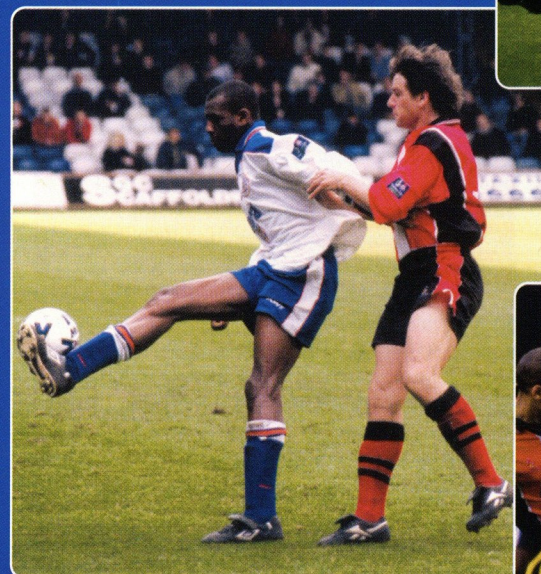
The Town put on plenty of pressure in the closing stages, with Lincoln living on their nerves, but Chris Willmott had a header saved, following a corner by Matthew Spring, and the rest was huffing and puffing, producing nothing.



FRUSTRATION (1): Stuart Douglas close, but not close enough to beat goalkeeper John Vaughan to the ball.



FRUSTRATION (2): Gary Doherty, back from Irish duty in the world under-20 championships in Nigeria, is also foiled by the goalkeeper.



BEST FOOT FORWARD: Emmerson Boyce, on his league debut, keeps cool and poised despite having his shirt pulled.



GETTING DOWN TO IT: Matthew Spring in midfield action, outnumbered two to one.

Action Replay

Manchester City 2 Luton Town 0

THE GAME plan for a difficult assignment at Maine Road, to try to halt a promotion-chasing team, was to avoid being over-awed by the occasion or the season's biggest league crowd, hold the opposition for at least the first half hour, and then see if the nerves got to City.

We shall never know: City did not look that much better than the Town in the first ten minutes, but by then they had taken the two chances they had created, and were able to engage cruise control for the rest of the game.

The difference between the sides, not for the first time this season, was that City always looked more likely to hit the net again. But at least the Town stuck to playing football, and drew praise from Joe Royle, who knew how important the early goals had been. "We were always comfortable after that, but Luton passed the ball well."

Lennie Lawrence, again using 17-year-old youth team striker Tresor Kandol in attack, was left to reflect on the huge gap in so many aspects between clubs like City and the Town. Like they say at Craven Cottage, money talks.

The town players felt Paul Dickov was offside when he collected a flick-on by Shaun Goater for the

opening goal, but the video evidence was inconclusive. What did hurt was that for the second, City were awarded a corner that should have been a goal kick - even their own players were ambling back to wait for Kelvin Davis to restart the action. The ref was the only man in the ground who thought otherwise - but he was hardly to blame for the failure to defend the set piece, with Tony Vaughan heading home at the far post from Kandol's inadvertent back-header.

Matthew Spring had an excellent game, and was the only Town man who looked like scoring, although it was in the 82nd minute before his best effort, a 20-yard drive, was tipped over the bar. Davis made a better save at the other end to deny City sub Gareth Taylor, who also had a goal disallowed when he foolishly went too far forward to meet a square cross by Dickov, who was once with us on loan from Arsenal.

MATCH DETAILS

Luton Town: Davis, Willmott, Thomas, Spring, Dyche, Johnson, Kandol (Thorpe 67 mins), Zahana-Oni (Fraser 73 mins), Douglas, McIndoe, McGowan. Unused sub: White

Booked: No-one

Manchester City: Weaver, Crooks, Edghill (Mason 49 mins), Vaughan, Morrison, Horlock, Brown, Bishop, Dickov, Goater (Taylor 67 mins), Cooke. Unused sub: Mason.

Booked: No-one.

The goals: 1-0 4 mins: Paul Dickov, left free by a defence hoping for offside to collect a flick-on by Shaun Goater which took out Sean Dyche; 2-0 9 mins: Tony Vaughan, header at the far post after Tresor Kandol looped the ball to him from the near stick from a corner that should never have been given.

Referee: Phil Richards, Merseyside.

Attendance: 26,130 including 645 from Luton.



AHEAD OF THE REST: Gavin McGowan competing with Richard Edghill at Maine Road before starting the four-match ban which keeps him on the sidelines until the last day of the season.

Hatters Chatter

Our Marathon Man's a Marvel!

Brian Swain reports

RUNNING for Luton Town in the Flora London Marathon, Paul Smith was a double winner - not only did he clock his fastest-ever time, but he also raised around £1,500 for the hospice where his young wife was cared for as she was dying of brain cancer.

And tonight he thanks all Town supporters for their help - fans, players and office staff who contributed to his good cause.

Our invitations to back him, printed in the matchday magazine, produced well over £100, and generously every pledge made was to pay the money whether he finished the gruelling race or not.

In the event, he did, even though it took several days for the soreness to wear off.

As we went to press we were still awaiting news of Paul's finishing place in the Football Section of the race. He ran in his Luton Town kit, and overall was 3,808th out of 30,750 finishers. He hopes he will be in the top three at worst in Division Two of the football section, and we will let you know on Saturday if he is right.

"I know I was ahead of the Watford guy," he said. "Crowds all round the route were tremendous, and several times I got shouted information that I was in front of the Watford runner.

"I kept watching for him: if he looked like passing me I was going to pull his shirt! And if he tried to get past on the closing sprint, up The Mall, I might have thought about tripping him up! But I never saw him after the start."

Paul, of Golden Riddy, Linslade, added: "The weather was ideal, and I got into a little group that towed me along. We got to the half-way mark in one hour and 35 minutes, and that worried me - it was much too fast by my standards, about the same time I normally do in half-marathons. At 18 miles I was in a little bit of trouble, going dizzy. It was probably lack of sugar, but someone in the crowd very kindly, and very thoughtfully, was offering sweet biscuits. I was very hungry, grabbed a couple, and was all right after that.



"I clocked my best-ever marathon time of 3 hours, 24 minutes and five seconds, and although I was shattered at the finish I was pretty pleased. I have always had an ambition to see my name in Athletics Weekly, and they published the names of all the runners who beat three and a half hours, so it was ambition achieved by five minutes.

"Best of all, it looks as though I will raise my highest-ever sponsorship total, around £1,500 for the Florence Nightingale Hospice in memory of my wife, and I owe a big thank-you to everyone who pledged money.

"Customers in the Bedfordshire Yeoman, where I sometimes have a drink before Town games, recognised me from the picture in the programme, and they became sponsors, and it was very pleasing to hear that the Town players were also backing me. Please say thank-you to everyone who has been so kind and generous."

Paul admits that in a crowded field he could not be sure he saw every other football strip in the race, and recalls being passed by men wearing Nottingham Forest and Ipswich shirts.

We at Kenilworth Road extend our congratulations to Paul on his marvellous marathon. He is probably sitting in block F of the main stand tonight, so if you want to shake his hand and add your contribution he will be delighted to acknowledge your generosity.

Meanwhile, from the club, we acknowledge and thank all who contributed, especially G. Wright of Tring, Miss C. A. Fevyer of Warden Hill, P & M. Ingram of Warden Hill, Mr & Mrs V. Fussell of Milton Keynes, and I. Smith of Ampthill.

But our biggest thanks and congratulations go to Paul, our marathon marvel. Fifteen hundred quid - brilliant! Quickest-ever - wonderful! Beating Watford - heaven!

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Junior Hatters

welcome

BECAUSE of the evening kick-off and the distance involved there will not be a formal party of young fans from Chesterfield at tonight's game, but we are already looking forward to meeting old friends from Macclesfield on Saturday. They will be our guests and doubtless there will be a football tournament with them before the League game.

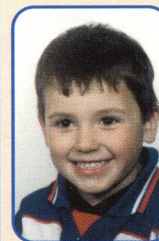
It will be the last home match of the season, and the last opportunity until August for Junior Hatters to enjoy the Saturday club. We meet at noon at Dallow Road school for football and other games, and then enjoy a sausage and chips lunch before more games. We think it is very good value at just £5, or £9 with a match ticket. For more details, please contact the ticket office in Kenilworth Road, or phone 416976. Our season ends at Millwall the following Saturday, and we are already planning a Junior Hatters outing to the New Den on May 8. Millwall always give us a warm welcome, and there is likely to be a lot of demand for this trip, so if you are interested please contact the ticket office in Kenilworth Road as soon as possible. Bookings can be made by phone with credit cards - ring Luton 416976 for details.



ALTHOUGH it was a night match and a long journey, a few Junior Hatters made it to the game at Maine Road, Manchester, and had a very enjoyable evening except for the result. Our own contest was also a defeat - the Junior Hatters were beaten 3-2 in a penalty competition, but it was good fun. We hope to be able to use a picture or two in Saturday's programme if we can find the space.

Our mascot, pictured at Maine Road with the skippers and officials, was Daren Cowley, who is 13 and goes to Queensbury School, Dunstable. His favourite player is Andrew Fotiadis.

Today's Mascot



PATIENCE is the virtue Thomas Finch has had to polish up as he waited for his big day today, as Junior Hatters mascot. He was chosen for the Chesterfield match a long time ago, and for weeks he looked forward with growing excitement as October 31 approached. As you know, the match was postponed because

the pitch was waterlogged, and five-year-old Thomas was left with nothing but disappointment - he got to the ground full of excited anticipation, only to miss his chance of meeting the players.

So this evening we hope Thomas enjoys the occasion a lot more. He lives at Heywood Drive, Luton, and goes to Wigmore Primary School. He comes to matches with his dad John, and when he is not cheering the Town he likes playing football and tennis. His favourite player is Stuart Douglas, and - weather permitting! - tonight he will meet his hero and the rest of the squad before joining them for the pre-match formalities on the pitch.

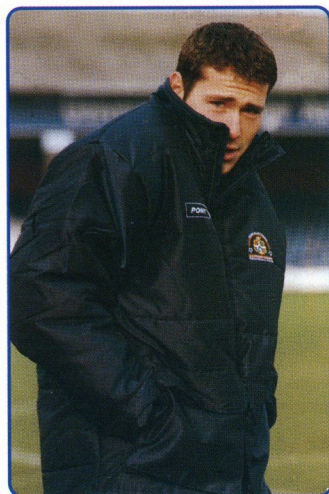


MASCOT at the home game with Lincoln was Alex Roberts, and he is pictured while carrying out one of his pleasant duties, meeting the skippers and match officials at the toss-up. He particularly enjoyed meeting Stuart Douglas, his favourite player, and learning how to stretch muscles in the warm-up - Alex, of Turnpike Drive, Luton, will be able to use the tips he picked up because he plays for Sundon Park Reds in the Chiltern Youth League.

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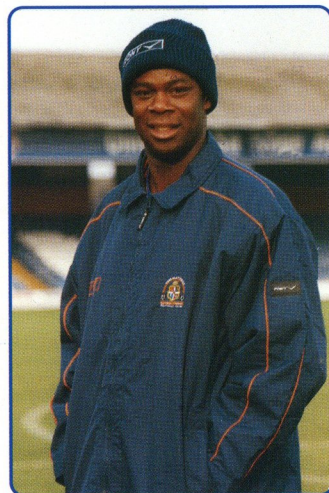
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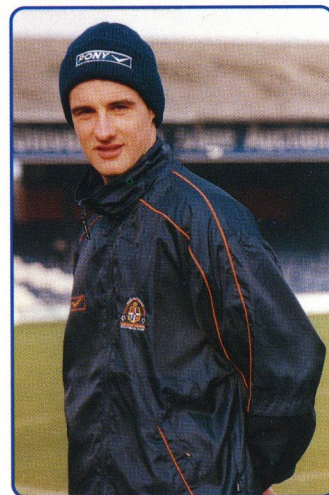
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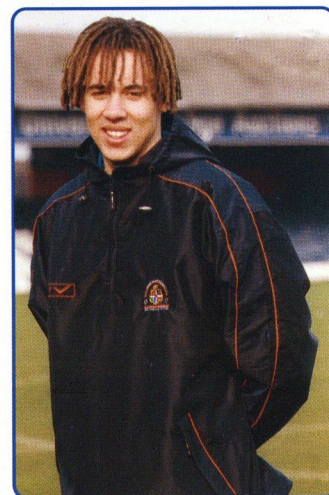
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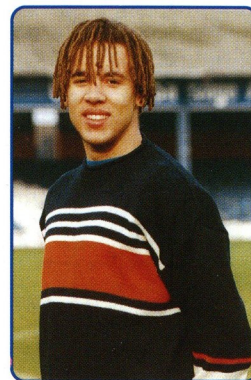
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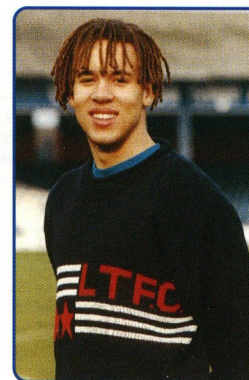
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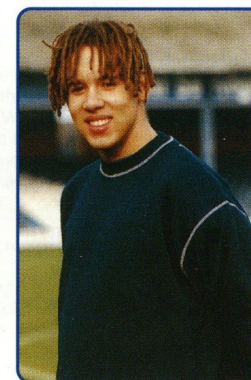
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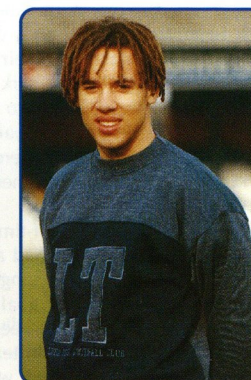
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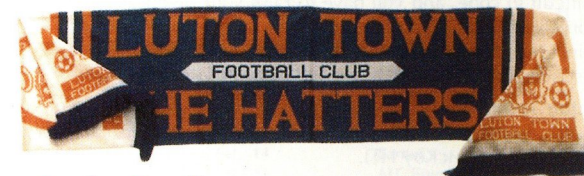


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~~£37.50~~ **£20.00**



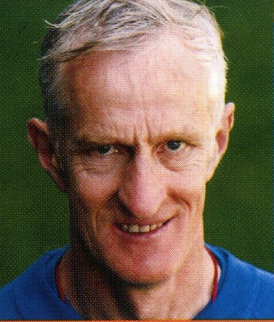
Childs Blue Watch
~~£15.00~~ **£7.50**

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~~£12.50~~ **£7.50**

Black Strap Watch
~~£37.00~~ **£20.00**

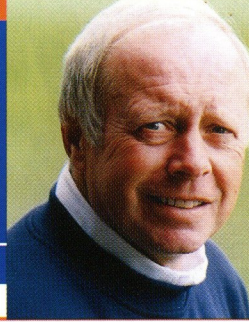


THE HATTERS SHOP SALE WILL CONTINUE UNTIL STOCKS CLEAR



John Moore & Trevor Hartley

reserves



Stotfold 2 Luton Town 1

WITH several reserves needed to bolster the first team squad because of injuries, our 14 on duty for the Bedfordshire Premier Cup final at Arlesey included nine youth team players, and on a difficult night some of them found it hard to cope with their third match in five days.

Plans for the match to mark the opening of Arlesey's impressive new ground failed to materialise, and a heavy and uneven pitch made good football difficult.

Stotfold were up for it, and were strong and aggressive, and we have to say good luck to them because on the night they deserved their victory.

We were two down at half-time because of two errors in defence, and although we had a lot of the play most of our attempts at goal were from long range. Our strike force was weak, but our second-half goal was a cracker, Matt Taylor hammering in a spectacular free kick, just as he had done at Wolverhampton for the youth team a couple of days earlier.

After that we put on pressure, without going too close to an equaliser. The players were disappointed, but it will be a good learning experience for them: several were playing their first match at this level - and in a cup final! Our reserve team at the end of the season is much weaker than it was at the start, and that is no bad thing for the club: eight months ago the reserves included Stuart Douglas, Andrew Fotiadis, Michael McIndoe, Chris Willmott and Gary Doherty.

As they step up a level younger boys have to be fed into the reserve squad, and perhaps the game against Stotfold was a reminder to them that as you move up it gets that bit more difficult to cope, and you have to raise your own standards. Sometimes, when you lose you learn more than when you win, and this was one of those occasions. Some players discover they are not doing as well as they thought they were.

Luton Town: Ward, Lawes, Taylor, Clarke, Ayres (Minton 75 mins), Stirling, Zahana-Oni, Cox, Akurang (Kandol HT), Hudson, Jerry (McKoy HT).

OUR Avon Insurance Combination game at Northampton was postponed at their request, and now joins West Ham away as a match to be re-arranged. Our final home game is a week tomorrow, May 5, against Peterborough at Kenilworth Road, with a 2pm kick-off.

Reserve appearances, including as sub, (goals in brackets): Abbey 21, Agueh 2, Akurang 8 (1), Alexander 1, Ayres 9 (1), Bacque 14 (3), Boyce 24 (1), Clarke 20, Cox 17 (2), Davies 11, Doherty 12 (3), Douglas 1 (1), Fotiadis 14 (9), Fraser 14 (2), George 2 (1), Hudson 7, Jerry 9, Kandol 15 (5), Lawes 20, Lough 10 (1), Lopez 1, Maynard 1, McIndoe 15 (4), McKoy 3, McLaren 5 (1), Minton 2, Nyamah 13 (2), Scarlett 24 (3), Showler 7, Stirling 1, Sweeney 4, Sylla 2, Tate 5, Taylor 7 (1), Thomas 3 (1), Turner 2, Ward 1, White 9 (5), Willmott 20 (1), Zahana-Oni 11 (3)

Avon Insurance Combination

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Watford	25	13	9	3	50	24	48
Tottenham	25	15	3	7	44	23	48
Charlton	23	15	3	5	41	21	48
Peterborough	26	14	6	6	48	29	48
Southampton	26	14	4	8	48	34	46
Chelsea	24	14	3	7	31	20	45
Fulham	26	13	5	8	60	42	44
Ipswich	23	13	4	6	44	28	43
Colchester	27	13	3	11	46	43	42
West Ham	24	10	8	6	49	31	38
Norwich	27	11	5	11	36	33	38
QPR	27	11	4	12	44	34	37
Northampton	24	11	4	9	33	30	37
Arsenal	24	10	6	8	39	28	36
Bournemouth	27	10	5	12	43	39	35
Portsmouth	25	10	5	10	32	32	35
Wimbledon	26	8	11	7	30	31	35
Luton Town	25	9	6	10	39	40	33
Brighton	25	8	9	8	25	30	33
Oxford Utd	24	10	2	12	32	43	32
Crystal Palace	23	8	6	9	40	41	30
Barnet	25	8	5	12	30	54	29
Swindon	25	7	4	14	24	46	25
Cambridge	24	6	6	12	35	56	24
Reading	23	6	3	14	25	38	21
Millwall	23	5	5	13	26	46	20
Brentford	22	4	7	11	23	39	19
Wycombe	24	4	6	14	22	51	18
Gillingham	24	2	5	17	14	47	11

Avon Insurance Combination League Fixtures - Season 1998/99

Wed 12 August	Brighton & Hove	H	4-1
Wed 26 August	Cambridge United	A	2-2
Wed 02 September	Portsmouth	A	3-2
Wed 16 September	Reading	H	3-0
Wed 23 September	Swindon Town	A	1-0
Wed 30 September	Charlton Athletic	H	1-3
Wed 07 October	Millwall	H	1-1
Wed 14 October	Gillingham	A	2-1
Wed 21 October	Brache Sparta (BPC)	A	8-0
Wed 28 October	Brentford	A	2-2
Wed 04 November	Crystal Palace	H	1-3
Wed 11 November	Watford	A	0-0
Mon 16 November	Kempston Rov (BPC)	A	3-0
Thur 19 November	Norwich City	A	0-6
Wed 25 November	Ipswich Town	H	2-3
Mon 14 December	Colchester United	H	0-2
Mon 21 December	Tottenham Hotspur	H	3-0
Mon 11 January	Wimbledon	H	1-1
Wed 20 January	Southampton	A	0-1
Mon 01 February	AFC Bournemouth	H	1-0
Mon 08 February	Fulham	A	2-3
Mon 15 February	Chelsea	A	0-1
Mon 22 February	Barnet	H	1-1
Wed 03 March	Biggleswade (BPC)	A	2-1
Wed 10 March	Queens Park Rangers	A	1-3
Wed 17 March	Wycombe Wdrs	H	3-1
Mon 29 March	Arsenal	A	3-1
Wed 07 April	Oxford	H	4-0
Wed 21 April	BPC Final	A	1-2
Wed 05 May	Peterborough United	H	2pm
To be arranged	West Ham	A	
To be arranged	Northampton Town	A	

Gillingham 1 Luton Town 7

WE COULD not have asked for more from our boys as the 20th league win of the season wrapped up the championship of the South East Counties League. We are hoping we might be able to keep the trophy - we have won it three times in succession, and the league is to be disbanded and replaced by a new FA Youth Alliance next season.

We went to Gillingham knowing we had to win to retain the title, and not surprisingly we looked a little nervous in the opening stages. But the defence was rock solid again - our goals against figure is the best in the league. We have always preached the virtue of defending well and working for chances at the other end. Gillingham are bottom of the table, but were relaxed and they gave us a fright in the tenth minute. An offside we expected was not given, and they should have taken the lead, but Daniel Tate made an excellent save in a one-on-one confrontation.

It served as a warning to our lads, and after that we took control, created plenty of chances and were three up by the interval.

Tresor Kandol got the first, to settle us in the 15th minute, converting a penalty after Clifford Akurang had been brought down. Defender Ryan Moran joined the attack and made it 2-0, and Akurang went round the keeper to score five minutes before the break.

Kandol headed his second goal two minutes into the second half, and three minutes later Shaun Carr, a trialist, cracked in a very good drive from the edge of the box.

Akurang collected his second goal of the game with a shot into the top corner, and skipper James Ayres completed it with a header five minutes from time. We then let in Gillingham for their consolation, but on this occasion we did not rant and rave too much at the defence!

Luton Town: Tate, Moran, Ayres, Stirling, Taylor, Hudson, Minton, Jerry (Dogbe 70 mins), Akurang Carroll (60 mins), Kandol, McKoy (Carr HT).

Southern Junior Floodlit Cup - semi-final replay

Wolves 3 Luton Town 2

DEFEAT at Molineux was a huge disappointment. We were on a high after the SECL championship win a couple of days earlier, fought back to equality after going two down, and then got caught out in the second half. Wolves were the best team we have met this season, and were also fresh, having had no game for more than a week.

We were punished for a lethargic start and Wolves scored two early goals. But Tresor Kandol pulled one back on 25 minutes, with the home side moaning that he was offside, and ten minutes later Clifford Akurang was tripped on the edge of the box, and Matthew Taylor hammered in a tremendous left-foot free kick.

Kandol missed a good chance early in the second half, heading wide after a flick-on by James Ayres, and we conceded the decider through defensive ball-watching. Luton Town: Tate, Moran, Ayres, Stirling, Taylor, Hudson, Minton, Jerry, Akurang Carroll (60 mins), Kandol, McKoy (Carroll HT, McKoy for Carroll 75 mins). Unused subs Harrington, Dogbe.

We drew 0-0 in the first match at Kenilworth Road, a decent result considering we had four schoolboys in the squad.

Luton Town: Tate, Moran, Taylor, Minton, Ayres, Stirling, Harrington (Barriteau 60 mins), Hudson, Akurang (Clarke 80 mins), McKoy (Carroll 70 mins), Jerry.

Youth team appearances, including as subs (goals in brackets):

Akurang 31 (13), Ayres 33 (2), Barriteau 5, Carr 1 (1), Carroll 11, Clarke 8 (3), Crane 3 (2), Dogbe 6, Dollin 6, Harrington 13 (2), Hammond 2, Hook 1, Howe 26 (1), Hudson 20 (1), Jerry 33 (1), Kandol 31 (21), King 1, Mansell 8 (1), McKoy 24 (4), Mentore 4, Minton 34, Moran 28 (1), Mortara 4, Orchard 1, Osborne 1, Plant 1, Rattray 3, Roffey 1, Stirling 33 (2), Tate 31, Taylor 34 (5), Thomas 12 (1), Tyson 11 (2), Ward 2, Woodland 1, Wraight 3.

South East Counties League

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Luton Town	30	20	6	4	59	25	66
L. Orient	30	19	7	4	67	32	64
Brentford	29	19	4	6	72	30	61
Cambridge	29	11	9	9	54	51	42
Barnet	28	12	5	11	37	41	41
Bristol Rov	29	12	6	11	51	50	42
Reading	30	9	12	9	36	38	39
Wycombe	30	9	11	10	35	37	38
Swindon	29	10	6	13	41	43	36
Colchester	29	11	2	16	47	49	35
Brighton	28	9	7	12	42	42	34
Portsmouth	30	8	10	12	41	56	34
Oxford	29	9	6	14	34	50	33
Bournemouth	30	10	3	17	43	66	33
Southend	30	8	5	17	37	55	29
Gillingham	30	7	5	18	35	66	26

Youth Team Fixtures

Sat 08 August	Brentford	A	2-4
Sat 15 August	AFC Bournemouth	H	4-2
Sat 22 August	Brighton & Hove Albion	A	0-0
Sat 29 August	Bristol Rovers	H	3-1
Sat 05 September	Oxford United	A	3-0
Sat 07 September	Swindon (SJFCP)	H	2-0
Sat 12 September	Reading	H	2-2
Sat 19 September	Wycombe Wanderers	A	1-0
Sat 26 September	Gillingham	H	2-2
Sat 03 October	Leyton Orient	A	3-0
Sat 10 October	Portsmouth	H	3-0
Sat 17 October	Cambridge United	A	4-0
Tue 21 October	Colchester (FAYC)	H	0-1
Sat 24 October	Colchester United	H	2-0
Sat 31 October	Southend United	H	3-1
Sat 07 November	Swindon	A	1-0
Wed 11 November	Northampton (SJFC1)	H	3-1
Sat 14 November	Barnet	H	2-0
Sat 21 November	AFC Bournemouth	A	2-1
Sat 28 November	Brighton & Hove Albion	H	2-0
Sat 05 December	Barnet	A	0-2
Sat 12 December	Brentford	H	2-1
Sat 23 December	Wycombe Wanderers	H	0-0
Sat 06 January	Leyton Orient	H	1-3
Sat 13 January	Portsmouth	A	1-1
Sat 20 January	Cambridge United	H	2-1
Sat 27 January	Colchester United	A	0-2
Sat 06 March	Southend United	A	1-0
Sat 13 March	Swindon Town	H	3-0
Sat 20 March	Bristol Rovers	A	0-0
Sat 27 March	Reading	A	1-0
Tues 30 March	Brighton (SJFC2)	A	2-1
Sat 10 April	Oxford United	H	2-1
Tue 13 April	Wolves (SJFC 3)	H	0-0
Sat 17 April	Gillingham	A	2-1
Mon 19 April	Wolves (SJFC3R)	A	2-3



Critical Research - Main Sponsors of Luton Town Youth Team

How Clubs have scored goals... and conceded them

H	CR	OB	V	FK	P	IB	OG	see key below	H	CR	OB	V	FK	P	IB	OG
15	8	8	6	2	4	17	1	Bournemouth	8	11	7	3	0	1	9	0
9	7	4	7	2	2	7	1	Blackpool	9	7	10	5	0	5	11	1
5	10	7	1	0	3	28	0	Bristol Rovers	14	9	3	3	2	4	14	1
9	7	6	11	0	1	13	0	Burnley	10	17	14	4	0	4	20	1
13	9	5	3	0	3	11	1	Chesterfield	11	5	8	3	1	1	9	2
17	2	7	1	1	7	10	0	Colchester United	10	7	9	13	0	7	13	2
20	10	3	8	1	3	24	0	Fulham	11	3	2	2	4	0	5	0
12	12	13	9	2	2	14	1	Gillingham	12	8	5	3	2	2	10	1
9	9	4	3	0	2	9	1	Lincoln City	14	15	6	6	1	2	22	2
11	11	4	5	1	2	12	0	Luton Town	11	6	6	7	2	3	21	1
9	10	8	2	0	0	6	0	Macclesfield Town	8	10	7	7	3	3	13	2
15	8	10	5	5	1	17	1	Manchester City	8	4	2	2	0	4	9	0
11	10	6	6	0	2	13	1	Millwall	13	3	8	5	1	4	13	0
9	9	4	2	1	5	5	0	Northampton Town	15	4	8	7	1	2	8	2
14	6	3	7	2	5	10	1	Notts County	14	8	3	6	1	3	20	1
18	8	4	5	1	1	5	1	Oldham Athletic	16	13	7	6	1	3	13	0
22	16	8	7	0	1	19	2	Preston North End	14	7	4	4	1	4	8	2
13	14	4	4	2	4	9	1	Reading	12	14	7	4	2	6	11	1
19	5	4	5	0	5	14	2	Stoke City	17	10	6	5	0	1	14	0
15	12	7	4	0	4	12	3	Walsall	12	12	3	3	1	2	9	0
12	9	8	8	0	5	15	2	Wigan Athletic	7	2	7	5	1	0	16	2
6	7	4	6	0	2	13	4	Wrexham	18	9	1	11	0	4	14	0
13	3	6	6	1	3	13	0	Wycombe Wanderers	15	11	5	4	3	4	10	1
8	2	7	5	6	6	18	1	York City	26	10	5	6	0	4	21	2

Key: H = Header; CR = Close Range; OB = Outside Box; V = Volley; FK = Free Kick; P = Penalty; IB = Inside Box; OG = Own Goal

Yellow & Red Cards

	Yellow	Red	....	Pts
Millwall	75	10	.....	105
Wycombe Wanderers	79	7	.....	100
Bristol Rovers	67	9	.....	94
Burnley	70	7	.....	91
Gillingham	73	5	.....	88
Manchester City	69	6	.....	87
Wigan Athletic	80	2	.....	86
Northampton Town	73	4	.....	85
Reading	67	6	.....	85
Luton Town	60	8	.....	84
Blackpool	79	0	.....	79
Oldham Athletic	61	6	.....	79
Colchester United	63	3	.....	72
Lincoln City	61	3	.....	70
Chesterfield	48	7	.....	69
Stoke City	62	2	.....	68
Macclesfield Town	51	4	.....	63
Preston North End	47	5	.....	62
Wrexham	52	3	.....	61
AFC Bournemouth	52	2	.....	58
Walsall	46	4	.....	58
York City	43	5	.....	58
Notts County	54	1	.....	57
Fulham	48	0	.....	48

1998-99 Season Division Two Campaign Records

Highest/Lowest Gates	Preston 5-0 Lincoln 23-Feb
32,134 Man City v Blackpool 8-Aug	Biggest Away Win
1,868 Macclesfield v Gillingham 9-Mar	Reading 0-6 Bristol Rovers 16-Jan
Highest Aggregate Scores	Burnley 0-6 Man City 9-Mar
Preston 3-4 Stoke 22-Aug	Consecutive Wins
Lincoln 3-4 Preston 29-Aug	Fulham 8
Bristol Rovers 3-4 Walsall 31-Oct	Games Unbeaten
Bristol Rovers 3-4 Burnley 9-Jan	Gillingham 17
Burnley 4-3 Macclesfield 28-Mar	Consecutive Defeats
Biggest Home Win	Lincoln, Macclesfield 6
Wigan 5-0 York 31-Oct	Games without a Win
Bournemouth 5-0 Burnley 21-Nov	Wycombe 12

Key: PU = Players Used; GF = Goals For; GA = Goals Against; CS = Clean Sheets; LP = Lowest position; HP = Highest Position

Current Sequences

Consecutive Wins
Man City 3
Games Unbeaten
Man City 8
Consecutive Defeats
Gillingham, Luton 3
Games without a Win
Reading 7

Div. 2 Stat Attack

Division Two Statistics, Club by Club

see key above	PU	GF	GA	CS	LP	HP	Leading Scorer	Lge	WC	FA
Bournemouth	25	61	39	18	11	2	Stein	15	5	1
Blackpool	31	39	48	12	23	3	Aldridge	7	2	1
Bristol Rovers	32	54	50	13	18	6	Cureton	18	1	2
Burnley	40	47	70	7	21	7	Payton	19	1	2
Chesterfield	24	45	40	13	20	6	Reeves	10	1	0
Colchester United	32	45	61	6	20	2	Gregory D	11	2	0
Fulham	31	69	27	23	8	1	Horsfield	15	0	2
Gillingham	27	66	43	16	22	4	Asaba	18	0	0
Lincoln City	31	37	68	11	24	14	Battersby	7	1	1
Luton Town	33	46	57	8	14	2	Gray	8	3	2
Macclesfield Town	29	35	53	9	24	20	Tomlinson	2	0	4
Manchester City	30	62	29	21	14	1	Goater	15	2	1
Millwall	33	49	47	14	14	5	Harris	15	0	0
Northampton Town	35	35	49	10	23	14	Corazzin	15	0	0
Notts County	38	48	56	7	23	5	Richardson	7	0	0
Oldham Athletic	32	43	59	7	23	14	Allott	7	1	0
Preston North End	26	75	44	16	7	1	Nogan	18	0	3
Reading	42	51	57	11	23	7	Williams	11	0	0
Stoke City	29	54	53	13	9	1	Thorne	9	1	0
Walsall	30	57	42	18	11	2	Rammell	18	1	0
Wigan Athletic	24	59	40	14	23	7	Barlow	15	1	1
Wrexham	29	42	58	10	19	2	Connolly	10	1	5
Wycombe Wanderers	29	45	53	11	24	19	Scott	6	0	1
York City	28	53	74	4	24	8	Thompson/Jordan	6/5	1/0	0/2

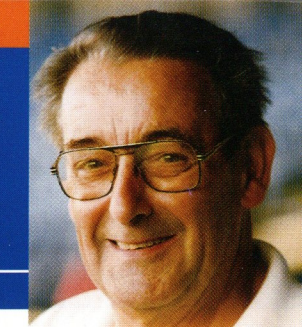
Div. 2 Attendance Details

	Highest	Lowest	Average
Manchester City	32,134	24,291	28,023
Stoke City	23,272	6,569	12,847
Preston North E.	20,857	8,656	11,934
Reading	20,055	7,914	11,413
Fulham	14,284	7,447	11,086
Burnley	17,251	8,526	10,493
Bournemouth	10,964	4,863	7,066
Millwall	12,726	4,249	6,930
Gillingham	10,400	4,575	6,678
Bristol Rovers	8,011	4,833	6,203
Northampton T.	7,557	4,710	6,029
Notts County	10,316	3,294	5,671
Luton Town	9,070	4,021	5,576
Oldham Athletic	12,976	3,913	5,569
Walsall	9,517	3,098	5,144
Blackpool	10,868	2,990	5,132
Wycombe Wndrs	8,129	3,361	5,099
Lincoln City	7,338	2,518	4,569
Chesterfield	8,245	2,621	4,539
Colchester United	6,554	3,228	4,487
Wigan Athletic	6,700	2,784	4,145
Wrexham	9,048	1,871	3,938
York City	7,527	2,075	3,685
Macclesfield T.	6,381	1,868	3,303

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Brian Swain

second division scene



OUR LAST worries about relegation were dispelled at Meadow Lane, when Tony Thorpe became our first player to score twice in a league match this season. Phil Gray netted a double in the FA Cup win at Boreham Wood, and Graham Alexander despatched two penalties in the Worthington Cup against Oxford.

Thorpe's brace avenged our home defeat at the hands of Notts County and lifted us back into 12th place in the Second Division, having dropped to 15th after Wrexham beat Gillingham last midweek.

Fulham became champions without kicking a ball last Tuesday when second-placed Walsall, the only team with a mathematical chance of catching them, were beaten 1-0 by fourth-placed Preston in a six-pointer at Deepdale.

Preston needed that lift, having gone down to a home defeat against Blackpool on the previous Saturday, which for them is the equivalent of us being stuffed by Watford. On Saturday Preston lost more ground when they were held to a 2-2 draw at Millwall, conceding two goals in the last six minutes. Walsall, meanwhile, were winning 1-0 at Lincoln with a goal by Darren Wrack, whose 13 this season have included two against us.

The victory left Walsall certain of being in the play-offs at least, and needing just two points from their last three games to clinch automatic promotion.

Saturday's big shock was at Maine Road, where Manchester City yielded third place to Preston when relegation battlers Wycombe beat them 2-1 to end City's run of eight games without defeat.

The play-off places are as good as decided, with Wigan the only club with a realistic chance of gate-crashing the top six because of games in hand.

Promotion would complete a nice double for Wigan, after they won a scrappy Auto Windscreens Shield final at Wembley against Millwall.

Our visitors tonight dented Bournemouth's hopes with a 0-0 draw at Dean Court, but that ended the Spireites' faint hopes of a play-off place. Scoring goals is their current problem. It is probably tempting fate to point out that they have netted only one in their last five matches, although it was enough to give them a home win over the champions.

Wycombe's surprise success at Maine Road was bad news for the other relegation fighters. Macclesfield, who come here on Saturday, are all but doomed for a rapid return to Division Three after being beaten at home by York, and Lincoln also need a miracle combination of results to avoid the same fate.

Tonight's other Second Division fixtures

Bristol Rovers v Millwall
 Colchester v Bournemouth
 Macclesfield v Stoke
 Notts County v Wycombe
 Wigan v Lincoln
 York v Blackpool

The Second Division

	HOME					AWAY					Pts	
	P	W	D	L	F A	W	D	L	F A			
Fulham	43	18	3	1	47	12	12	4	5	27	17	97
Walsall	43	12	6	3	32	20	13	2	7	26	22	83
Preston	44	12	5	5	45	22	10	7	5	32	24	78
Man City	44	12	6	4	34	14	9	9	4	29	17	78
Gillingham	44	14	5	3	41	17	6	9	7	29	27	74
Bournemouth	43	14	6	2	37	11	6	6	9	24	28	72
Wigan	40	12	4	4	38	15	7	4	9	25	26	65
Stoke	42	9	4	9	30	32	10	2	8	25	25	63
Chesterfield	43	14	4	4	34	16	3	8	10	11	24	63
Millwall	43	9	8	5	33	23	8	3	10	19	30	62
Reading	44	9	6	7	27	26	6	7	9	25	35	58
Luton Town	43	9	4	8	23	24	5	6	11	25	34	52
Wrexham	43	8	6	8	21	26	5	7	9	22	33	52
Blackpool	43	6	8	8	22	23	7	5	9	18	27	52
Burnley	43	7	7	8	22	33	5	7	9	29	38	50
Bristol Rov	43	7	8	6	30	26	4	8	10	26	25	49
Notts Co	42	7	5	8	27	25	6	5	11	22	33	49
Colchester	43	8	7	6	22	26	3	9	10	26	38	49
York City	43	5	8	8	27	32	7	3	12	28	43	47
Oldham	43	6	4	11	23	31	6	5	11	21	32	45
Northampton	43	4	10	7	21	26	6	5	11	17	26	45
Wycombe	42	7	4	10	27	23	4	7	10	20	31	44
Lincoln	42	8	4	9	26	26	3	3	15	11	43	40
Macclesfield	42	7	4	10	20	24	3	5	13	16	31	39

Statistics

fixtures, results, appearances, goalscorers

Date	Competition	Home Team	Time	Result	Goals	Assists	Appearances	Goalscorers	Assistors	Substitutes
Sat 08	AUGUST	WYCOMBE WANDERERS	A 3.00pm	1-0 (S. Davis)	5,252	K. Davis	Alexander	Thomas	Spring	S. Davis Johnson McKinnon Evers Bacqué Gray Marshall George for Bacque 71; McGowan for Marshall 81. Unused: White
TUES 11	WC1(1)	OXFORD UNITED	H 7.45pm	2-3 (Alexander 2p)	3,165	K. Davis	Alexander	Thomas	Spring	S. Davis Johnson McGowan Evers Bacqué Gray Marshall McLaren for Thomas 30; George for Marshall 71; McIndoe for Gray 78. Unused: Abbey, White
SAT 15		PRESTON NORTH END	H 3.00pm	1-1 (Marshall)	5,392	K. Davis	Alexander	McGowan	Spring	S. Davis Johnson McKinnon Evers Bacqué Gray Marshall McLaren for McKinnon 69; George for Bacqué 69; White for McGowan 85.
TUES 18	WC1(2)	OXFORD UNITED	A 7.45pm	3-1 (Gray, Evers, McLaren)	5,099	K. Davis	Alexander	McGowan	Spring	S. Davis Johnson McLaren Evers Douglas Gray Marshall George for Douglas 84; McKinnon for Marshall 90. Unused: White, Abbey, Bacqué.
SAT 22		READING	A 3.00pm	0-3	18,108	K. Davis	Alexander	McGowan	Spring	S. Davis White McLaren Evers Douglas Gray Marshall McKinnon for Marshall 10; George for McLaren 15; Thomas for Douglas 62.
SAT 29		COLCHESTER UNITED	H 3.00pm	2-0 (S. Davis, Douglas)	5,005	K. Davis	Alexander	McGowan	Spring	S. Davis Johnson McKinnon Evers Douglas Gray George Thomas for Gray 56; Fotiadis for Douglas 72; Bacque for George 79.
MON 31		WIGAN ATHLETIC	A 3.00pm	3-1 (S. Davis, Evers, Gray)	3,778	K. Davis	Alexander	McGowan	Spring	S. Davis Johnson McKinnon Evers Douglas Gray George McIndoe for George 45; Bacque for Douglas 72; Unused: Thomas
SAT 05	SEPTEMBER	BURNLEY	H 3.00pm	1-0 (Douglas)	5,554	K. Davis	Alexander	McGowan	Spring	S. Davis Johnson McKinnon Evers Douglas Gray McIndoe Fotiadis for Douglas 73 Thomas for McIndoe 81. Unused: Bacque.
TUES 08		WREXHAM	A 7.45pm	1-1 (McKinnon)	2,951	K. Davis	Alexander	McGowan	Spring	S. Davis Johnson McKinnon Evers Douglas Gray McIndoe Bacque for Douglas 72. Unused: Thomas Cox
SAT 12		BRISTOL ROVERS	H 3.00pm	2-0 (S. Davis, Alexander)	5,558	K. Davis	Alexander	McGowan	Spring	S. Davis White McKinnon Evers Douglas Gray McIndoe Fotiadis for Douglas 62 Thomas for McKinnon 89. Unused: Marshall.
TUES 15	WC2(1)	IPSWICH TOWN	A 7.45pm	1-2 (Douglas)	9,032	K. Davis	Alexander	McGowan	Spring	S. Davis Johnson Cox Evers Douglas Gray McIndoe Fotiadis for Douglas 77 Bacque for Cox 82. Unused: Abbey Thomas White
SAT 19		BLACKPOOL	A 3.00pm	0-1	5,695	K. Davis	Alexander	McGowan	Spring	S. Davis Johnson Cox Evers Douglas Gray McIndoe Marshall for Douglas 68 Bacque for Gray 84. Thomas for McIndoe 88.
TUES 22	WC2(2)	IPSWICH TOWN	H 7.45pm	4-2 (Fotiadis, Douglas S.Davis, Johnson)	5,665	K. Davis	Alexander	McGowan	Spring	S. Davis Johnson McKinnon Evers Douglas Fotiadis Marshall Cox for Marshall 66; Bacque for Fotiadis 73; White for McKinnon 78. Unused: Abbey, McIndoe
SAT 26		WALSALL	H 3.00pm	0-1	5,530	K. Davis	Alexander	McGowan	Spring	S. Davis Johnson McKinnon Evers Douglas Fotiadis Cox for Douglas 60 McIndoe for Cox 67 White for Spring 87
SAT 03	OCTOBER	FULHAM	A 3.00pm	3-1 (Gray, Douglas, Davis)	11,856	K. Davis	Alexander	Thomas	Spring	S. Davis Johnson McKinnon Evers Douglas Gray McGowan Cox for McGowan 86, Fotiadis for Douglas 87. Unused: White
SAT 10		YORK CITY	A 3.00pm	3-3 (Douglas, Evers, Gray)	3,780	K. Davis	Alexander	Thomas	Spring	S. Davis Johnson McKinnon Evers Douglas Gray McIndoe White for McKinnon 75, Cox for Douglas 84. Unused: Fotiadis
SAT 17		OLDHAM ATHLETIC	H 3.00pm	2-0 (Gray, Scarlett)	5,447	K. Davis	Alexander	Thomas	Spring	S. Davis Johnson McKinnon Evers Douglas Gray McIndoe Scarlett for McIndoe 67, White for McKinnon 69, Fotiadis for Douglas 74
TUES 20		NORTHAMPTON TOWN	H 7.45pm	1-0 (Alexander)	6,087	K. Davis	Alexander	Thomas	Spring	S. Davis Johnson McKinnon Evers Douglas Gray McIndoe White for Spring 81 Fotiadis for Douglas 81 Unused: Scarlett
SAT 24		GILLINGHAM	A 3.00pm	0-1	5,602	K. Davis	Alexander	Thomas	Spring	S. Davis Johnson Evers McKinnon Douglas Gray McGowan Fotiadis for McGowan 71, White for McKinnon 75. Unused: McLaren
TUES 27	WC3	COVENTRY	H 7.45pm	2-0 (Gray, S. Davis)	9,051	K. Davis	Alexander	Thomas	Spring	S. Davis Johnson Evers McKinnon Douglas Gray McGowan Fotiadis for Douglas 89. Unused: White Abbey McIndoe McLaren
SAT 07	NOVEMBER	STOKE CITY	A 3.00pm	1-3 (Douglas)	12,964	K. Davis	Alexander	Thomas	Spring	S. Davis Johnson KcKinnon Evers Douglas Gray McGowan McLaren for Thomas 43, Doherty for Spring 70. Unused: White
TUES 10	WC4	BURNLEY	H 7.45pm	1-0 (Gray)	8,453	K. Davis	Alexander	McGowan	Spring	S. Davis Johnson Evers McKinnon Douglas Gray McIndoe McLaren for McKinnon 56, Nyamah for McIndoe 57, White for Douglas 82. Unused: Abbey Scarlett
SUN 15	FACUP(R1)	BOREHAM WOOD	A 1.00pm	3-2 (Gray 2, S. Davis)	1,772	K. Davis	Alexander	McGowan	McLaren	S. Davis Johnson KcKinnon Evers Douglas Gray Nyamah McIndoe for Nyamah 62, Doherty for Douglas 66, Spring for McKinnon 89. Unused: White, Abbey
SAT 21		LINCOLN CITY	A 3.00pm	2-2 (Gray, Doherty)	4,893	K. Davis	McGowan	Thomas	Spring	White Johnson McKinnon Evers Douglas Gray Davies Doherty for Davies 64, McLaren for Spring 70. Unused: McIndoe
SAT 28		MANCHESTER CITY	H 3.00pm	1-1 (Doherty)	9,070	K. Davis	Alexander	McGowan	Spring	S. Davis Johnson Evers McKinnon Douglas Gray McGowan McLaren for Davies 54, Doherty for Douglas 64, White for McGowan 84
TUES 01	DECEMBER	WALSALL	A 7.45pm	0-3	35,742	K. Davis	Alexander	Thomas	Spring	S. Davis Johnson McKinnon Evers Douglas Gray McGowan Doherty for Douglas 63, McLaren for McKinnon 70, White for McGowan 75. Unused: Abbey, McIndoe
SAT 05	FA CUP (R2)	HULL CITY	H 3.00pm	1-2 (S. Davis)	5,021	K. Davis	Alexander	McGowan	Spring	S. Davis White McKinnon Evers Doherty Gray McLaren McIndoe for McKinnon 61, Douglas for Doherty 64, Scarlett for McLaren 80. Unused: Abbey, Thomas
SAT 12		MACCLESFIELD TOWN	A 3.00pm	2-2 (Douglas, Gray)	2,902	K. Davis	Alexander	Thomas	Spring	S. Davis Johnson McLaren Evers Douglas Gray McIndoe Showler for McIndoe 63, Doherty for Douglas 67, White for Spring 82
SAT 19		MILLWALL	H 3.00pm	1-2 (S. Davis)	5,939	K. Davis	McGowan	Fraser	Spring	S. Davis Johnson Scarlett McLaren Douglas Gray Showler Fotiadis for Showler 60; Bacque for Harrison 74. Unused: McIndoe
MON 28		A.F.C BOURNEMOUTH	A 3.00pm	0-1	8,863	K. Davis	White	Thomas	Spring	S. Davis Johnson Evers Harrison Fotiadis Gray Showler Doherty for Douglas 65. Unused: McIndoe, Fraser
SAT 02	JANUARY	COLCHESTER UNITED	A 3.00pm	2-2 (Alexander pen, White)	4,694	K. Davis	Alexander	Thomas	Spring	White Johnson McLaren Harrison Douglas Gray Evers Doherty for Douglas 65. Unused: McIndoe, Fraser
TUES 05	AWS(2)	WALSALL	H 7.45pm	0-3	1,870	Abbey	Boyce	Fraser	Evers	White Dyche Johnson Evers McLaren Douglas Gray Zahana-Oni Doherty for Zahana-Oni HT, Scarlett for Douglas 81. Unused: Fraser
SAT 09	1999	WYCOMBE WANDERERS	H 3.00pm	3-1 (Spring, Evers, Douglas)	5,063	Davis	Harrison	White	Spring	Dyche Johnson Evers McLaren Douglas Fotiadis McIndoe for Douglas 83, Fraser for McGowan 89. Unused: Zahana-Oni
SAT 16		PRESTON NORTH END	A 3.00pm	1-2 (Fotiadis)	11,034	Davis	Harrison	White	Spring	Dyche Johnson Evers McLaren Douglas Fotiadis McIndoe for Douglas 83, Fraser for McGowan 89. Unused: Zahana-Oni
SAT 23		WIGAN ATHLETIC	H 3.00pm	0-4	4,934	Davis	Harrison	White	Spring	Dyche Johnson McGowan Evers McLaren Douglas Fotiadis McIndoe for Douglas 83, Fraser for McGowan 89. Unused: Zahana-Oni
SAT 30		A.F.C BOURNEMOUTH	H 3.00pm	2-2 (McKinnon, Doherty)	5,426	Davis	Harrison	McGowan	Spring	Dyche Johnson Evers McLaren Douglas Fotiadis McKinnon Doherty for Douglas 72; Alexander for McKinnon 77; White for McGowan 88
SAT 06	FEBRUARY	BURNLEY	A 3.00pm	2-1 (Fotiadis, Doherty)	10,285	Abbey	Harrison	McGowan	Spring	Dyche Johnson Evers McLaren Douglas Fotiadis McKinnon Doherty for Douglas 72; Alexander for McKinnon 77; White for McGowan 88
SAT 13		WREXHAM	H 3.00pm	1-2 (Doherty)	4,759	Davis	Harrison	Alexander	Spring	Dyche Johnson Evers McLaren Doherty Fotiadis McKinnon Gray for Fotiadis 25; Cox for McKinnon 67; White for Harrison 73
SAT 20		BRISTOL ROVERS	A 3.00pm	0-1	6,361	Davis	Alexander	White	McIndoe	Dyche Johnson Scarlett McLaren Douglas Doherty McKinnon Zahana-Oni for Scarlett 73; Kandol for McIndoe 77. Unused: Fraser
TUE 23		NOTTS COUNTY	H 7.45pm	0-1	4,021	Davis	Alexander	McGowan	Spring	Dyche Johnson Cox McLaren Douglas Doherty McKinnon White for Johnson HT, Gray for Douglas 66; Scarlett for Cox 73
SAT 27		BLACKPOOL	H 3.00pm	1-0 (Douglas)	4,646	Davis	Alexander	Thomas	Spring	Willmott White Harrison McKinnon Douglas Gray George McGowan for Spring 73, Cox for George 83, McLaren for Harrison 89
SAT 06	MARCH	WALSALL	A 3.00pm	0-1	4,508	Davis	Alexander	Thomas	Spring	White Johnson Harrison McKinnon Douglas Gray George Cox for Douglas 62; McLaren for George 62; McGowan for Thomas 73
TUE 09		FULHAM	H 7.45pm	0-4	7,424	Davis	Alexander	Thomas	Spring	White Johnson Harrison McKinnon Douglas Gray George Doherty for George 56; Willmott for White 78; McLaren for Harrison 83
SAT 13		STOKE CITY	H 3.00pm	1-2 (Alexander pen)	5,221	Davis	Alexander	Thomas	Spring	White Johnson Harrison McKinnon Douglas Gray George Doherty for Harrison 67; McLaren for McKinnon 75; George for Douglas 85
SAT 20		CHESTERFIELD	A 3.00pm	1-3 (Gray)	3,921	Davis	Alexander	Thomas	Spring	Willmott Johnson Harrison McLaren Douglas Gray Doherty McIndoe for Harrison 85; Zahana-Oni for Douglas 89; Thomas for Doherty 90
TUE 23		READING	H 7.45pm	1-1 (Spring)	5,527	Davis	Alexander	McGowan	Spring	Willmott Johnson Harrison McLaren Douglas Gray Doherty White for Thorpe 81 mins. Unused: Boyce, Kandol
SAT 27		GILLINGHAM	H 11.30am	1-0 (Dyche)	6,705	Davis	Willmott	Thomas	Spring	Dyche Johnson Gray McLaren Douglas Thorpe McGowan McIndoe for McLaren 10; Fotiadis for Thorpe 72; White for Douglas 76.
FRI 02	APRIL	OLDHAM ATHLETIC	A 3.30pm	1-1 (Gray)	4,948	Davis	Willmott	Thomas	Spring	Dyche Johnson Gray Fotiadis Douglas McIndoe McGowan Kandol for Fotiadis 68. Unused: Scarlett, White
TUE 06		YORK CITY	H 7.45pm	2-1 (Spring, Douglas)	4,667	Davis	Willmott	Thomas	Spring	Dyche Johnson Gray Fotiadis Douglas McIndoe McGowan Zahana-Oni for Kandol 73. Unused: Fraser, Boyce
SAT 10		NORTHAMPTON TOWN	A 3.00pm	0-1	6,856	Davis	Willmott	Thomas	Spring	Dyche White Kandol Fotiadis Douglas McIndoe McGowan Thorpe for Kandol 67; Fraser for Zahana-Oni 73. Unused: White.
SAT 14		MANCHESTER CITY	A 7.45pm	0-2	26,130	Davis	Willmott	Thomas	Spring	Dyche Johnson Kandol Zahana-Oni Douglas McIndoe McGowan Doherty for Zanana-Oni HT; Fraser for Boyce 66. Unused: White
SAT 17		LINCOLN CITY	H 3.00pm	0-1	5,122	Davis	Willmott	Thomas	Spring	Dyche Johnson Thorpe Zahana-Oni Douglas McIndoe Boyce Doherty for Thorpe 83; Fotiadis for Douglas 89. Unused: Abbey.
SAT 24		NOTTS COUNTY	A 3.00pm	2-1 (Thorpe 2)	5,583	Davis	Willmott	Thomas	Spring	White Johnson Thorpe McKinnon Douglas McIndoe Fraser
TUE 27		CHESTERFIELD	H 7.45pm							
SAT 01	MAY	MACCLESFIELD TOWN	H 3.00pm							
SAT 08		MILLWALL	A 3.00pm							



The Teams

Luton Town v Chesterfield



Kelvin Davis	1	Billy Mercer	1
Chris Willmott	2	Jamie Hewitt	2
Mitchell Thomas	3	Chris Perkins	3
Matthew Spring	4	Chris Beaumont	4
Alan White	5	Mark Williams	5
Marvin Johnson	6	Ian Breckin	6
Tony Thorpe	7	Jonathan Howard	7
Ray McKinnon	8	Paul Holland	8
Stuart Douglas	9	Steve Lenagh	9
Michael McIndoe	10	Marcus Ebdon	10
Stuart Fraser	11	James Lomas	11
Andrew Fotiadis	12	Steve Blatherwick	12
Gary Doherty	13	Tony Carss	13
Emmerson Boyce	14	Mark Jules	14

Referee: Matt Messias, York

Assistants: M. Ives, Biggleswade (yellow flag)

G. B. Parish, Harlow (yellow & red flag)

Reserve official: I. R. Searle, Bishop's Stortford



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