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Front Cover



Richard Dryden on the ball and hoping to be given a new contract to stay with the Town.

Inside Forward

ALTHOUGH the Town battle on in the uphill fight to avoid relegation, manager Joe Kinnear this week made his first announcements about his plans for next season. We can expect a major operation as he changes the squad, and three players have already been told that they will not be here for the new kick-off next August. Free transfers have been given to Nathan Abbey, Gavin McGowan and Friedrich Breitenfelder, and the boss says that there are likely to be more. Watford are rumoured to want the Town boss as their next manager in succession to Graham Taylor, who is retiring. But Joe Kinnear said that he relished the challenge of rebuilding at Kenilworth Road, and as the chairman and directors shared his ambition and hopes for the future, he was looking forward to helping them achieve success.

AT THE end of a sad week for football, many connected with Luton Town are mourning the death of Alec Stock, one of the most successful managers we ever had. There will be a minute's silence before today's game in remembrance of him, and also in tribute to Mike North, the referee who collapsed and died during a match at Southend on Monday.

Town statistician Roger Wash writes on page 39 about Alec Stock, and his considerable achievements at Kenilworth Road. He was, quite simply, a lovely man. Like many of his generation who survived active service in the war, he had a true understanding of the real values in life. More than 30 years ago he was unfailingly helpful to a young football reporter who still covers every Luton Town game, and who remembers in particular Alec's invariable way of setting the world straight even after the Town lost - "It's still not a bad old world, is it?" was one of his most often repeated reminders.

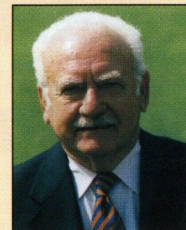
John Mitchell, now a Town director, was fated to be in Stock's footballing plans. He was playing for St Albans City, and Stock was trying to sign him for the Town. But financial problems frustrated the manager, and Fulham stepped in to sign the young striker. And a few months later Stock left Kenilworth Road, and took charge of Fulham, so he got Mitchell in his squad after all. Stock, of course, took that team, including former Luton players Alan Slough and Viv Busby, to the 1975 FA Cup final, where they lost 2-0 to West Ham.

Alec Stock's funeral will be on Thursday, 12 noon, at Poole Crematorium. Directors and staff from Kenilworth Road will be represented in memory of a man who did much to set up Luton Town for the success that followed after the foundations he laid.

THE Town have supporters scattered all over the world, and we are particularly popular in Scandinavia, with the result that we often have visitors from across the North Sea at matches. Today we would like to offer a warm welcome to Espen Ganes, from Oslo, who is in the Kenilworth to watch his favourite team. He was 23 yesterday, and persuaded his employers, Siveland & Raugberget, to sponsor his trip as a birthday present. He is here with four pals, all keen Hatters supporters, and we hope they have every reason to enjoy their visit.

TOWN supporter, housewife and mother, Lynda Smith meets the biggest sporting challenge of her life tomorrow when she carries our colours in the Flora London Marathon, and we invite supporters to help her raise money for the Keech Cottage, the local hospice for children.

You can pledge any amount, and all sponsorship promises will be acknowledged in the matchday magazine. A sponsorship coupon is also available on the club's official website.



A message to supporters from the Chairman

AS WE near the end of this football season, I know you must be as disappointed as Joe Kinnear and I are at the far from good performance of your team.

We want you to be aware that despite this a great deal of hard work has been put in by all concerned, and we are all very determined to bring better days for us all.

When I took over the club in June last year I found a team which I felt did not have enough substance to see us through the season. You will recall that towards the end of the previous

season, and prior to my purchasing Luton Town, the club had sold Gary Doherty to Tottenham to balance the books, and it is no secret we have missed him.

I was therefore faced with an enormous uphill battle, and even though results have been disappointing I consider that I now have the club on an even keel.

Joe Kinnear has some great new talent and ideas in the pipeline, and will ensure that you enjoy quality football next season. It will be a new era for all of us.

I have acquired the land near junction 10 of the M1 motorway where your new stadium will be built, and as soon as the necessary permissions are received work will commence. If you have any suggestions regarding this, please write, or e-mail us. Every item will be acknowledged.

Thank you for your support and encouragement. I look forward to seeing and hearing more of the fighting spirit Luton fans provided in, say, 1988, when I was a director of your club and we won the Littlewoods Cup.

It is my aim to do as well again, and take our club back to its former glories. With the help of everyone who has the interests of the club at heart, especially the supporters, it can be done.

Mike Watson-Challis

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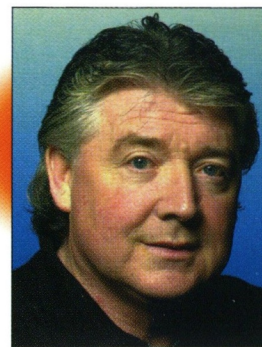
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The Manager

Joe Kinnear

ONE point from our two Easter games was a poor return from a weekend when we knew that much depended on our efforts and results. I suppose overall it was a case of effort not bad, results nowhere near good enough. It was all the more frustrating because the two opposing managers, Andy Ritchie of Oldham and Brian Flynn of Wrexham, thought that in both games the final score-line did not do us justice.

Perhaps not, but it is very little consolation - I would rather have had six points and two rival managers complaining bitterly that they were robbed!

It is obvious that there is a big job to be done here, and that includes in our last five games. We are not down and out, and so long as there is a mathematical chance we must fight hard to preserve our status. The recent run of results has been below par, and while I have been critical of players in the privacy of the dressing room, I have also seen some good things.

In the game against Oldham, for instance, we built some very promising attacks. The trouble is that the promise was not turned into net results. Oldham could hardly believe their luck at going home with a point because they knew we had murdered them except for the all-important matter of getting goals. Creating chances is encouraging. Missing so many is depressing, and we have got to be much more ruthless in front of goal.

At Wrexham two late goals gave the home side a flattering result. On the day we were worth a draw, but again you only get what you deserve. At the Racecourse ground a point was within our grasp until the last seven or eight minutes, when we paid a high price for lapses of concentration in defence. We worked hard to get back into the game after conceding the opening goal and our equaliser

was no less than we deserved. But then we shot ourselves in the foot again, and lack of concentration has got to be eradicated. And we did not help our cause by failing to make more of our greater possession, particularly in the first half.

It is ironic that other teams in the lower reaches of the table have also been struggling as the pressure grows in the closing weeks of the season, and that makes our failures all the harder to bear. You can look back on several games in the past month or so, and see where we should have picked up another point here, a couple there, and so on.

The painful fact is that we have not done our jobs as well as we should have, and we now have to bite the bullet and go for broke. The league table is not pleasant reading. But there is still only one club relegated, and the rest cling on and hope.

We have certainly not given up, nor will we while we have the slightest hope of saving ourselves. We have five games to play - 15 points for the taking, and if we get them and take our total to 53 it could well be enough to enable us to stay up.

We will not throw in the towel, and we know just how badly supporters want us to pull off the great escape. Bury will not make it easy for us today, and come to Kenilworth Road with no pressure to worry about. We might find it difficult to be relaxed and patient, but we must work to impose ourselves on the game, and above all do the business where it matters most - in both penalty areas.

We know supporters will respond if we give everything, and again our thanks for the way you kept the noise volume turned up in the ground last Saturday. I trust we will reward you by our efforts this afternoon, and that we can all go home knowing that we have enjoyed our football. I mean the result especially, of course!

Joe Kinnear

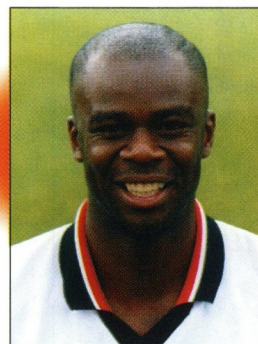
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The Hatters roll-call 2000-2001

Appearances (as sub in brackets)

Goals

	League	WC	FAC	LDV	Total	League	WC	FAC	Total
Nathan Abbey	20	0	3	0	23	0	0	0	0
James Ayres	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	0
Rocky Baptiste	0(3)	0	0	0	0(3)	0	0	0	0
Emmerson Boyce	37	4	2(1)	0	43(1)	3	0	0	3
Dean Brennan	2(7)	1(1)	0	0	3(8)	0	0	0	0
Friedrich Breitenfelder	2(3)	0	0	0	2(3)	0	0	0	0
Stuart Douglas	13(4)	0	1(1)	0	14(5)	4	0	1	5
Richard Dryden	15	0	0	0	15	0	0	0	0
Andrew Fotiadis	12(10)	1	3	1	17(10)	3	0	1	4
Stuart Fraser	10(5)	4	4	1	19(5)	0	0	0	0
Liam George	32(6)	3(1)	4	0	39(7)	5	0	2	7
Petri Helin	22	0	3	1	26	1	0	0	1
Peter Holmes	12(6)	2(1)	1	0	15(7)	1	0	0	1
Steve Howard	7	0	0	0	7	1p	0	0	1p
Marvin Johnson	6	0	2	0	8	0	0	0	0
Tresor Kandol	6(7)	2(1)	0	0	8(8)	3	1	0	4
Kent Karlsen	4(1)	0	2	1	7(1)	0	0	0	0
Adam Locke	17(7)	1(1)	2(1)	1	21(9)	2	0	0	2
Lee Mansell	14(1)	0	1	0	15(1)	5	0	1	6
Gavin McGowan	5(1)	0	1	0	6(1)	0	0	0	0
Paul McLaren	30	4	3	1	38	1	0	1	2
Lee Nogan	7	0	3	0(1)	10(1)	1	0	1	2
Mark Ovendale	21	4	2	1	28	0	0	0	0
Keith Rowland	12	0	0	0	12	2	0	0	2
Andre Scarlett	5(4)	2	0(1)	0	7(5)	0	1	0	1
Paul Shepherd	2	0	0	0	2	0	0	0	0
Matthew Spring	36	4	5	1	46	4(2p)	0	0	4(2p)
Mark Stein	19(8)	3	1(1)	0(1)	23(10)	3	1	0	4
Jude Stirling	5(4)	0	0(2)	0	5(6)	0	0	0	0
Matthew Taylor	40	4	4	1	49	1	0	0	1
Peter Thomson	4(7)	1(1)	1(1)	1	7(9)	2	0	0	2
Julian Watts	25(2)	4	3	0	32(2)	4	0	0	4
Adrian Whitbread	9	0	4	0	13	0	0	0	0
OGs						1	0	0	1



Captain's Log

Marvin Johnson

I GOT through another comeback game in the reserves on Wednesday, and although we were beaten 3-1 by a good Crystal Palace side I was well pleased to get through the 90 minutes, and still feel good physically afterwards.

It's been a frustrating period for me and for the lads, and if the manager wants me to come back into the first team squad, I am ready to do everything I can to help the cause.

It looks grim, I know, but we are all of one mind - we're not down yet, we have 15 points to play for, and if we can get them we might well pull off a bit of a miracle.

You never know what to expect in football, and Monday's game at Wrexham was a reminder to me about the day they came to Kenilworth Road in October and beat us after we had been three up early in the second half. I am still haunted by that memory - it was one of those days when you look at what should have been, and know it was a case of three points thrown away. On Monday, the lads felt that they had played well enough to earn a draw at least, but once more we were undone by late strikes.

The Oldham game was different - we are still wondering how we failed to win that one, because Oldham never caused us the slightest problem, while we failed to get the goals our approach play deserved. It's typical of your luck when you are up against it that good shots hit the post instead of the net, and if Paul McLaren's effort had brought the opening goal, I think we would have won handsomely. Obviously there is pressure on us, and that is something we have not coped with well enough at home this season. I don't think I can remember such a poor campaign in terms of home results, and that is the main reason for our current problems.

Professional footballers don't play badly on

purpose, and it is frustrating to know that we have compared pretty well with top teams this season but failed to play near top form with real consistency. I may be a bit biased, but I think there is not too much wrong with the defence. Emmerson Boyce has been a revelation in his first full season, and Richard Dryden has done excellently since he joined us. We were fortunate to have Julian Watts ready to return when Macca had to be moved back up into midfield, and much as I would like to reclaim my place in the side, I can understand the boss thinking that that back three is as good as he can field at present. Apart from anything else, he hasn't seen me play, except a very few games in the reserves.

When things are going wrong, defenders will often try to put the blame on strikers, and vice-versa. That's normal in professional football, but there is actually a better understanding of the game than that within our dressing room - our attitude is that we are all in this together. You defend collectively, you attack collectively, and at the final whistle - and at the end of the season - you take the criticism or the praise as a team.

It hurts to be in the bottom four, and I know supporters share the grief. Whether I play today or not, I will do anything I can to help the team and the club. As professionals, we play for ourselves, our families, Luton Town FC, and for the supporters. While there is still hope, we have to believe that a memorable escape act is possible.

Bury are always difficult to beat, one of those sides who are effective as a team unit which is well organised and disciplined. But we are capable of beating anyone in this division, despite our lowly situation, and we know that today this is a game we simply have to win. We can do it - and then win four more. Difficult, perhaps, but certainly not impossible.

Marvin Johnson

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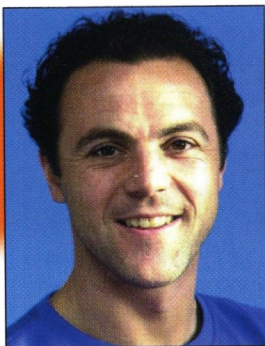
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Treatment Room

Bruce Sewell

TWO midfielders have very chance of being fit again and available for selection this afternoon after recent injuries. Matthew Spring, who has missed two games with a hamstring problem, was back in training late this week, while Paul McLaren, who had to be subbed during the game at Wrexham on Monday, is also well on the way to a full recovery. He was taken off mainly as a precaution, also with a hamstring problem. During the week he was put through exercises designed to test his levels of discomfort, and came through them all. Both players are good professionals in knowing their limits and doing the right things to aid recovery, and it was pleasing to see them both in full training by Thursday. We were also hoping for good news about Stuart Fraser. He went back to hospital for another check-up on Thursday, and with luck the surgeon would have agreed to remove his plaster cast which he has been wearing since he broke his leg at QPR in January. The decision was up to the specialist, nothing to do with me, but I can admit that I shared the player's optimism.

He faces a lot of hard work, and probably will not be able to have much of a summer holiday, because he will be busy with treatment and exercise from now until the new season kicks off. The hope is that we will get him in good shape before the pre-season games. Matthew Taylor picked up an ankle injury at Wrexham, but it responded to treatment, and as he was able to take part in a full training session on Thursday I expect him to be available this afternoon. The same might well be true of Keith Rowland, who has got over his groin strain. He played for an hour in the reserves game on Wednesday, and it was then a matter of checking that there were no after-effects. Marvin Johnson also played in that game, and is ready for anything, but we now know that Andrew Fotiadis will not play again this season. His groin strain has been subject to a scan which showed some areas of weakness, and he will be under treatment for a couple of weeks, before seeing the specialist again at the end of the month.

Bruce Sewell



Club Secretary

Cherry Newbery

WHILE we are worrying about our immediate future in football, a moment of quiet in the ground this afternoon will, perhaps, put things into perspective. Before kick-off there will be a minute's silence at all League games in memory of Mike North, the 42-year-old referee who collapsed on the pitch at Southend on Monday, and died in hospital shortly afterwards. In our case, today's silence will also be to honour the memory of Alec Stock, our former manager, who died at the weekend, aged 84. There is a tribute to him elsewhere in this magazine, and Luton Town had much to thank him for when he was in charge here from 1968 to 1972. He guided us to promotion from the Third Division, and was also instrumental in bringing his friend Harry Haslam to Luton, the original "Happy Harry" who became manager after Alec Stock left. On more mundane matters, our apologies are due for the fact that the scoreboard has been out of action for the last two games. Engineers have had a look at it, and part of the reason is its age. They are trying to obtain the necessary parts to carry out a repair, and I hope it will be done quickly. We are also hopeful that we might have a new scoreboard installed before next season kicks off.

I have been asked to pass on the very grateful thanks of the Great Ormond Street Hospital, for whom we held a bucket collection at the game on Easter Saturday. It raised £722, which was a magnificent response by our supporters. Thank you very much for your generosity. Our youth and reserve teams are having a hectic final few weeks of the season, and we are still working on trying to find new dates for games that have been postponed. One fixture for the youth team has been re-arranged: they will be away to Cardiff City in the Football League Youth Alliance on Monday week, April 30 - we simply did not have a Saturday available. Our reserves have an extra fixture to fit in, thanks to a good victory at Brache Sparta in the

Bedfordshire Premier Cup - see page 42 for a report. We will be away to Kempston Rovers in the semi-final, but it is impossible to say when that game might be played. The other semi-final is Bedford Town against Barton Rovers or Wootton Blue Cross, and that remaining quarter-final will not be played until May 8. So Beds FA is considering the possibility that the final should be held over until the beginning of next season.

Beds FA are having big problems in finalising all their cup finals - three have already been postponed because of waterlogged pitches in April, and that has rarely, if ever, happened before. Whatever the decision, I hope to be able to pass it on through this column before the season ends.

We are already planning for next season at all levels, and I am pleased to be able to tell you that we will have another very attractive pre-season fixture at Kenilworth Road. Tottenham will provide the opposition on Tuesday August 7 (7.45pm) for a friendly that was arranged as part of the deal that took Gary Doherty to White Hart Lane last year.

The game will be our second at home in the build-up towards the new season - as already announced Norwich City will be here on Saturday August 4 for a friendly kicking off at 3pm.

One other date confirmed is a top schoolboys game to be staged at Kenilworth Road, the final of the Wix Trophy, which will be played on the evening of May 9. I am still awaiting details of the teams involved.

Before then, of course, we have some important league fixtures coming up, with two consecutive away games to follow Tuesday's match with Rotherham at Kenilworth Road. Can I remind you again, please, that the matches at Bristol City next Saturday and Brentford on the following Thursday evening are both all-ticket games, and you must buy tickets in advance from our ticket office in Kenilworth Road.

Cherry Newbery

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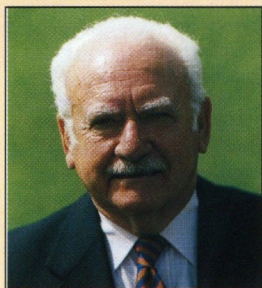


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Mike Watson-Challis,

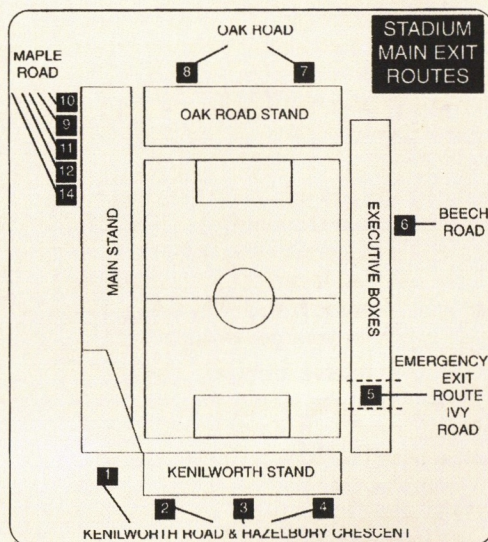
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Bristol City v Luton Town

Saturday April 28, 2001, kick-off 3pm

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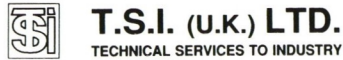
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John Bailey

Golden Gamble

WE THOUGHT Oldham were pretty lucky to go home with a point from our last game at Kenilworth Road, and Town supporter Caz Meers, who also wanted a better result, also

had a nice slice of luck - she went home to Brook Street, Luton, £505 richer.

She was the latest Golden Gamble winner, when Happy Harry picked her £1 ticket out of the drum. The match day lottery has paid out 24 prizes so far this season, worth a total of £11,365, an average of £474 each. Today, as usual, one lucky supporter will join the list, and sellers are on duty all round the ground for the quid-a-go draw.

The size of the jackpot depends on ticket sales - half the income goes to the winner, and the other half to club funds, so even if you don't win you are helping the football club, and we very much appreciate your support. The draw is made at half-time, with the cash available immediately.



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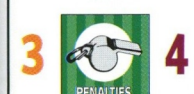
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Goalscoring Head 2 Head

in the graphics below, Hatters' figure is to the left with the goals scored indicated in orange and Shakers' to the right and scored in claret



How



47 in 41 games Team Goals 41 in 43 games
1.15 goals Ratio per Game 0.95 goals

5 in 15 games Player's Goals 5 in 14 games
0.33 goals Ratio per Game 0.36 goals

4 Games Scored In
2 Games Scored 1st Goal
3 Games Scored 1 Goal
1 Games Scored 2 Goals
0 Games Scored 3 Goals

IMPORTANCE OF GOALS
(Taking out top scorers, how would results be affected)
1 (2pts) Games Won -> Drawn 4 (8pts)
0 (0pts) Games Won -> Lost 0 (0pts)
1 (1pts) Games Drawn -> Lost 0 (0pts)
3 Number of points gained 8

SCORING SEQUENCES
Consecutive Games Scored
0 2 Games 0
0 3 Games 0
1 game Maximum Scoring Run 1 game

CONSECUTIVE GAMES WITHOUT SCORING
2 2 Games 1
2 3 Games 1
0 4 Games 1
3 games Maximum Dry Spell 4 games

Hatters' Results

LUTON TOWN GOALS								
	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
0	4	3						
1	3	6	4					
2	3	4	1					
3	3	3	2	1				
4	1	1	1					
5								
6								
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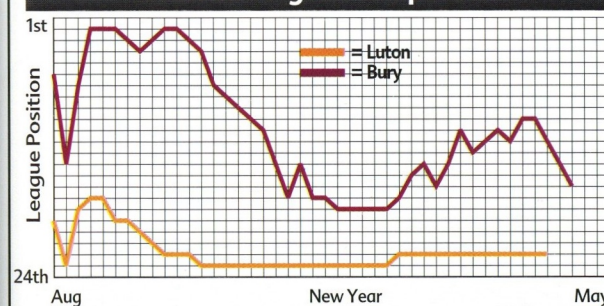
shows the number of results for each scoreline.
eg. Luton have drawn 6 games 1-1

Shakers' Results

BURY GOALS								
	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
0	2	6	3	1				
1	8	7	4	1				
2	2	3						
3	3	1						
4	1	3						
5								
6								
7								

eg. Bury have won 6 games 1-0 and lost 8 games 0-1

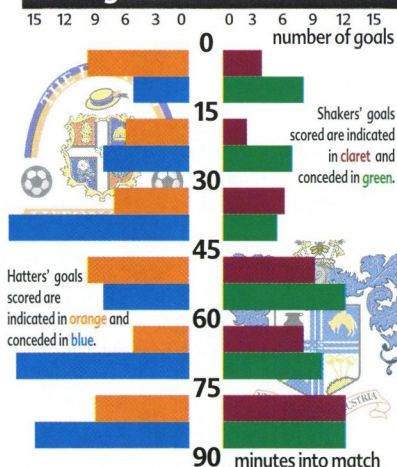
Seasonal Progress Comparison



Stats&Facts

Stats compiled by Football Information Services

When goals scored & conceded



Average time of Scoring / Conceding

79 mins	All Goals for	94 mins
82 mins	Home Goals For	83 mins
76 mins	Away Goals For	111 mins
52 mins	All Goals Against	72 mins
58 mins	Home Goals Against	94 mins
47 mins	Away Goals Against	57 mins

Table shows average time taken for both teams to score and concede goals in home and away games.

Face2Face

Last Season
At Kenilworth Road.....1-1
At Gigg Lane.....0-1
This Season
Hatters' Season records:
Home Win...3-1 Brentford
.....5-3 Swansea
Away Win...3-1 Swindon
3-1 Notts County, 3-1 Stoke
Home Defeat...0-3 Bristol City
.....0-3 Colchester
Away Defeat...0-4 Swansea
Consec. Wins.....3
Consec. Defeats.....4
Shakers' Season records:
Home Win...3-0 Swansea
Away Win...2-0 Swansea
Home Defeat...1-4 Wrexham
.....2-5 Bournemouth
Away Defeat...0-4 Millwall
Consec. Wins.....3
Consec. Defeats.....5

Last 10 Games Form Guide Comparison

Hatters : DWLSLSLSDL F 7 A 12 Pts 8
Shakers : WLSWLWSLLL F 7 A 12 Pts 11
Form Guide shows last 10 results. W = Won, L = Lost, S = Score Draw, D = No Score Draw. Most recent result to the right

Bury's Last 10 Years - The Complete Record

	DIV	FAC	WC	LS	Gls	Ave Att
90/91	3	1	1	Lee	15	3,572
91/92	3	1	1	Stevens	17	2,901
92/93	3	3	3	Stevens	14	2,667
93/94	3	1	1	Carter	20	2,597
94/95	3	3	1	Pugh	16	3,223
95/96	3	1	3	Carter	16	3,262
96/97	2	1	2	Carter	12	4,500
97/98	1	3	2	Battersby/Swan/Ellis	6	6,179
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Middle Row (left to right): Alan Raw (Physio), Paul Reid, Steve Halford, Darren Bullock, Paddy Kenny, Glyn Garner, Ryan Souter, Martyn Forrest, Lee Buggie, John Forrest (Coach).

Front Row (left to right): Lutel James, Matthew Barrass, Nick Daws (Captain), Andy Preece (Manager), Steve Redmond (Assistant Manager), Adrian Littlejohn, Dean Crowe, Dean Barrick.

NO.1 - GLYNN GARNER - GOALKEEPER

23 year old goalkeeper Glynn was one of the limited number of new arrivals at Gigg Lane during Summer 2000, signing for the Shakers in June from League of Wales club Llanelli, where he had been ever-present for the past three seasons. Despite being handed the number one jersey, Glynn will initially be expected to understudy Paddy Kenny at the club.

NO.2 - MATT BARRASS - FULL BACK

One of a number of young players to be given their first team chance by boss Andy Preece last season, Bury born Matt came up through the club's youth team and had to overcome a particularly nasty injury before eventually battling his way into the professional ranks and first team status. He held down a regular place last season, appearing in 25 Division Two games and, in February, was rewarded for his massive progress with a new two year contract.

NO.3 - DEAN BARRICK - FULL BACK

Previously having given service to Sheffield

Wednesday, Rotherham United, Cambridge United and Preston North End, Dean signed for Bury in Summer 1998. Dean enjoyed a regular first team spot during his early days at the club, but he lost his place under new management of Neil Warnock, and was later transfer listed and loaned out to Ayr United. After a nine month spell of being frozen out of first team contention, Dean finally earned another call up last September and has certainly prospered more under new boss Andy Preece.



NO.4 - NICK DAWS - MIDFIELD

Now the only remaining player at Gigg Lane from the club's 1997 Division Two Championship winning squad, Bury's team captain is entering his ninth season with the club since arriving in a bargain

£10,000 transfer from non-league Altrincham back in August 1992. After playing in his early days as a

sweeper, Nick is now an established and highly rated member of Bury's midfield. Suspension last March ended a run of 218 consecutive League and Cup games.

NO.5 - SAM COLLINS - CENTRAL DEFENDER

A free transfer signing from Huddersfield Town in September 1999, 23 year old Sam played 47 games for the Terriers before switching across the Pennines. The sturdy defender enjoyed a consistent introduction into the Bury back four in the early weeks of last term but this season was all but ended with a training ground medial ligament injury in September.

NO.6 - CHRIS SWAILES - CENTRAL DEFENDER

Chris started his career as a trainee with Ipswich Town but played with Peterborough United, Boston United, and Bridlington Town before finally making his Football League debut with Doncaster Rovers. Chris signed for Donny in October 1993 and played so well for them that his first club Ipswich paid out a fee of £225,000 to resign their former trainee. In November 1997 though he found himself on the move once again as a £200,000 portion in the player plus cash deal which took striker David Johnson to Ipswich. Chris was voted the supporters Player of the Season in 1998-9.



NO.7 - CHRIS BILLY - DEFENDER/MIDFIELD

A pacy utility player who arrived at Gigg Lane in September 1998 on a free transfer from Notts County, Chris began his career with Huddersfield Town and played over 109 games for them

before moving to Plymouth Argyle - with Neil Warnock also being manager at both clubs. He was signed by Warnock for a third time when he arrived at Bury and over the last two seasons has established a reputation for being able to play in a mixture of defensive or midfield positions. Chris enjoyed a consistent season in 1999-2000.



NO.8 - MARTYN FORREST - MIDFIELD

Another player to emerge from the Shakers' youth team, Bury born Martyn has successfully made the transition from striker to midfield in recent times, and enters his fourth season as a professional 2000-01. Stocky

and tigerish, Martyn is another youngster to sign an extended two-year contract with the Shakers last February.

NO.9 - PAUL BARNES - STRIKER

Now approaching veteran stage, proven goalscorer Barnes cost the Shakers £40,000 when he signed from Huddersfield Town in March 1999. His career has also seen him turn out for Notts County, Stoke City, Chesterfield, York City, Birmingham City and Burnley - with his best return being 81 goals in 157 games for York. Paul also assisted on the coaching side last season with the youth team.

NO.10 - ADRIAN LITTLEJOHN - WINGER

Adrian started out as a trainee with WBA before moving on a free transfer to Walsall in May 1989. He went on to play 44 league games for the Saddlers before moving north to Sheffield United in 1991. His spell at Bramall Lane was a most productive one. He played 69 games and scored 12 goals before moving on to Plymouth for £100,000 in September 1995. A firm favourite with the Devon fans as he helped Argyle to clinch promotion through the play-offs. After 3 seasons and 110 games for them he moved on to Oldham but he linked up with manager Neil Warnock for a third time on 12th November 1998 when he signed for Bury. A skillful player with undoubted talent and the pace to run at players.

NO.11 - PAUL REID - MIDFIELD

Paul moved on a 'Bosman' free transfer in July 1999 from Oldham Athletic. A left sided player who began his career as a trainee with Leicester City and played 162 games (12 goals) for them before moving on to



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Bradford City in July 1992. He also held down a regular place at Valley Parade before switching to Huddersfield Town in a £70,000 transfer in May 1994. After 70 games for the Terriers, he became a £100,000 capture for Oldham where once again he performed consistently. Paul played 39 League games for Bury last term and won over the fans with his wholehearted style, guaranteed commitment and great tackling ability.

NO.12 - DARREN BULLOCK - MIDFIELD

Tough tackling Darren made a debut with a difference for the Shakers last season following a £250,000 transfer from Swindon Town in February 1999. Stepping out against Norwich at Gigg Lane, he was dismissed after just twelve minutes - creating a new club record for 'quickest dismissal'. A player who is very much in the mould of then Swindon boss Steve McMahon, Darren will be looking to re-establish himself after a loan spell with Rushed & Diamonds.

NO.13 - PAT KENNY - GOALKEEPER

A 22 year old keeper who was plying his trade in the Unibond League with Bradford Park Avenue, Paddy was given a trial with the Shakers in July 1998 and signed a contract the following month following a £10,000 transfer. He was understudy to Dean Kiely during his first season at Gigg Lane but following Kiely's switch to Charlton in Summer 1999, he grasped his chance with style and became the success story of last season. Rewarded with the fans' vote as Player of the Season in Summer 2000, the superstitious Yorkshireman will retain the number 13 jersey at his own request.

NO.15 - BHAICHUNG BHUTIA - STRIKER

The 22 year old captain of the Indian International team became the first Asian player to appear in the Football League when he signed for the Shakers in September 1999. He arrived in a blaze of publicity, being considered the 'Alan Shearer' of his country with 25 goals in 40 Internationals. He made his debut in a 3-2 home win against Cardiff City on October 1999 but took some time to adapt to the English game.

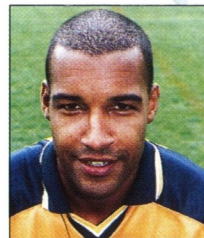
NO.16 - LUTEL JAMES - STRIKER/WINGER

Lutel began his career with Yorkshire Amateurs and Selby Town but attracted interest from Scarborough and joined the then Football League newcomers on trial in March 1993. He appeared as a sub six times for 'Boro' before moving onto Hyde United in June 1996. He moved to Bury in October 1998 and within a week amazingly, after just one reserve outing, made his first team debut in a Worthington Cup game against Manchester United at Old Trafford.

NO.17 - STEVE REDMOND - DEFENDER

Experienced central defender who started his career back in December 1984 when he completed his apprenticeship with Manchester City. Steve went on to play a total of 235 league games for City before moving on to Oldham Athletic. Steve enjoyed Latics Premiership experience between 1992 and 1994, his experience serving them well as he played a further 205 games. He came to Gigg Lane on a 'Bosman' free transfer in summer 1998. His experience has been vital for the Shakers over the past two seasons,

and when Neil Warnock left he was chosen to take on the additional role as Assistant Manager.



NO.18 - ANDY PREECE - PLAYER-MANAGER

Andy left Blackpool after spells with Northampton Town, Wrexham, Stockport County and Premiership Crystal Palace to join Bury on a free transfer in summer 1998. When Neil Warnock departed in

December 1999, it was Preece, as one of the senior players, who was chosen to take over as caretaker manager. He impressed everyone with the way that he went about the task of guiding the Shakers to safety, blooding a number of youngsters yet also remaining fair to the senior players. He also managed to end the season as the Shakers top scorer with 12 goals and was rewarded in Summer 2000 with a permanent appointment as Bury's 22nd post-war Manager.

NO.19 - STEVEN HALFORD - DEFENDER

Another Bury born player that has made his way through the youth ranks at Gigg Lane. Steve has worked hard in the youth and reserve teams to earn his chance, and was given his first team bow in the final fixture of the season as the Shakers drew 2-2 away to Notts County.

NO.20 - NICKY HILL - DEFENDER

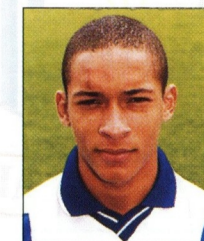
Another product of Bury's youth policy. Able to play at either centre half or left back, Nicky made his first team debut as a sub in a 3-2 home win against Blackpool on 22nd April 2000, and was given his full debut two days later in a 2-0 away win at Cardiff City.

NO.21 - LEE CONNELL - MIDFIELD

Another product of the Shakers youth set up and yet another Bury born youngster to appear for his hometown club. Made his full first team debut in the Shakers 2-2 away draw at Notts County.

NO.22 - RYAN SOUTER - DEFENDER

A former Swindon Town apprentice, Ryan is able to play left back, centre back or in midfield. He gained five substitute appearances immediately after signing from Plymouth for the Shakers but has largely found first team opportunities hard to come by.



NO.23 - JASON JARRETT - MIDFIELD

Bury born Jason started his career at Blackpool in July 1998. Played only a handful of games before joining the Shakers in July 2000 on a six month contract, with a carrot of a more long term deal

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TOWN TEASER

IF YOU know your Town Trivia, you could win a little prize this afternoon, when the PA announcer will pose another Town Teaser before kick-off. Listen for your chance to have a go. And if you don't know the answer, it can be found elsewhere in this magazine. At the Oldham match we asked what the two clubs had in common in the 1980s, and the answer, of course, was a plastic pitch.

Today's Question

Who made a goal-scoring debut for Luton Town at Bury this season?

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MAIN PICTURE: Debut boy - Paul Shepherd in action in his first league game, competing with Tony Carrs.

LEFT: Mixing it - Julian Watts takes them on two at a time

ABOVE: High stepping - Steve Howard and Scott McNiven prepared to go in where it hurts.

See pages 36 and 37 for a report and more action pictures.

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Roger Wash

Clashes with the Shakers

Our first league clash with today's visitors took place in October 1937 following our promotion to the old Division Two, with the two teams locking horns at Kenilworth Road in front of a crowd of 17,650. Bury returned home with both points following a 1-0 victory to make it three defeats in a row for a Luton side battling to come to terms with football at the higher level. By the time of the return, the following February, we had sorted ourselves out on the field and won a thrilling game 4-3. A crowd of only 4,689 watched as Bill Redfern and Joe Payne, who notched a hat trick, took the Bury defence apart. We went even better at Gigg Lane the following season when we ran out convincing 5-2 winners. Payne had by now left Kenilworth Road but his replacement, local lad Hugh Billington, scored two to make it four in only three starts since making his league debut. We followed this up with a 2-1 home victory with Eddie Connelly on the scoresheet and the same player netted one of the goals in the next fixture between the sides seven years later. Because of the War, competitive football had been put on hold for the duration but both Connelly and Billington were still in the Luton line-up and were on target in the 2-0 win in September 1946 in front of a Kenilworth Road crowd of 17,864, the highest to watch the fixture. Unfortunately our proud unbeaten record at Gigg Lane went out of the window that season when we went down 0-3 in a game marking the debut of Wally Shanks. Games between the two sides then fell into a pattern of victories for the home team until 1951/52 when a solitary George Stobbart goal secured the points at Gigg Lane with the same man on target in the return which was won 2-1. We achieved the double again in 1953/54 with the 3-2 away win particularly satisfying as it extended a run of nine games unbeaten at that

stage in the campaign. It was goodbye to Bury at the end of the following season with our promotion to the old Division One for the first time in our history and we signed off with a 3-2 home win over the Shakers to avenge an earlier 1-2 defeat at Gigg Lane. Gordon Turner, who was set to become a thorn in the side of all defences the country over during his 14 year Luton career, scored in both games. It was to be six years before the sides met again, once more in Division Two, and we were slightly flattered by a 4-0 scoreline at Kenilworth Road in October 1961 with Turner and Alec Ashworth scoring two apiece. In the return at Bury we went down, rather unluckily, 1-2 with the Shakers' winner being scored after the normally reliable Ron Baynham in the Luton goal dropped the ball invitingly for Brian Turner to slot home. This came after full back Brendan McNally, playing on the wing for nuisance value after an injury (this used to happen in the days before substitutes), managed to limp up to score a rare goal. In the following season we went down to Bury at Gigg Lane on the opening day, with the only goal coming from a disputed penalty ten minutes from the end. By the time of the return we were struggling in the fight to avoid relegation, which we eventually lost, and the 2-1 home win over the Shakers came as a bit of a shock as Bury were making a bid for promotion to the top flight at the time. Goals from Turner, inevitably, and new signing from Chester, Ron Davies, sealed the points. The next pair of meetings took place in 1969/70 in the old Division Three. Bury had been relegated the previous season, while we had narrowly missed out on promotion. We had continued where we left off, aiming for Division Two, while the Shakers struggled at the wrong end of the table. Unfortunately, after a very strong start to the

campaign, our promotion push had fallen off the rails over Christmas and we went to Bury in late January on the back of four straight defeats. In contrast, Bury were beginning to get their act together and had scored eight times against luckless Tranmere in their previous home game. A crowd of 6,893 were present at Gigg Lane, including a train load from Luton, to watch the Town get off to the perfect start when a cross from Graham French was met by a firm header from Malcolm Macdonald after only five minutes. It has subsequently been well recorded that mercurial winger French had been overdoing it at a party the night before, and had allegedly given firm instructions to his team-mates in the changing room before the game not to give him the ball as he felt rather fragile! Of course, at every opportunity, the players fed him with the ball and he put on one of his best ever performances in a Luton shirt. French had the beating of Bury full back Ray Parnell every time and I have the vivid memory of the winger pushing the ball through the defenders legs, waiting for him to get up off the grass, before skinning him once more. The Town went two up after 30 minutes when Matt Tees latched on to a long ball and scored at the second attempt after goalkeeper John Forrest had parried his first effort. With John Moore carrying out a sound man marking job on Bury dangerman Jimmy Kerr, the Town began to coast a little but were shaken out of their lethargy when Ben Anderson scored with a close range header after 68 minutes. Suitably stung, we stepped up a gear and regained our two goal advantage through Tees a



Shakers goalkeeper Dean Kiely plucks the ball off the head of Andrew Fotiadis in the clash at Gigg Lane in September 1996.

few minutes later, a lead we held on to until the end. Our promotion push was now back on target. The return was played a couple of months later, and on a cold evening a crowd of 12,751 saw a below par performance from the Town forwards bringing about a final score of 0-0. Fortunately the forwards found their shooting boots after that and promotion was eventually won with a match to spare. The final pair of games took place in 1996/97 when both teams were fighting neck and neck for promotion from Division Two. The Town were the first side that season to escape from Gigg Lane without conceding a goal in a 0-0 draw but the scoreline was identical in the return in a game the Town had to win in a faltering bid to claim an automatic promotion spot. The Shakers were heading the table at the time and were quite content to soak up the pressure as they went on to clinch the championship leaving us to enter the play-off lottery.

Roger Wash

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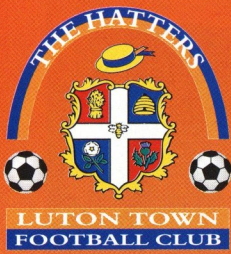
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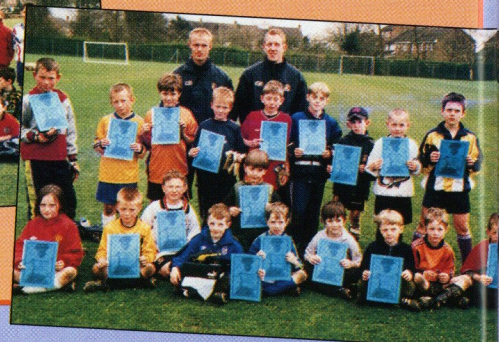
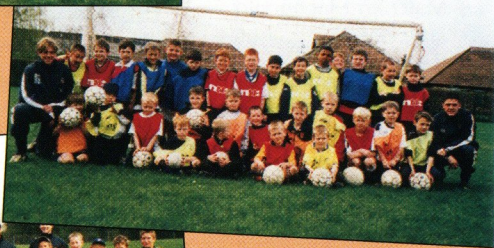
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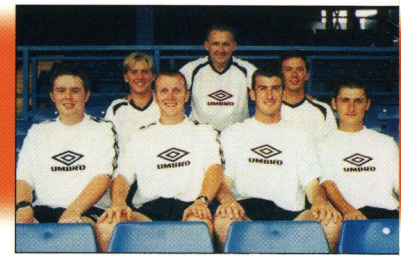


EASTER HOLIDAY COACHING COURSES

Well it finally stopped raining just in time for our easter holiday break and pictured are just some of the 200 youngsters who joined us from all over Bedfordshire on our coaching courses. I know quite a few of our youngsters have brought mum and dad to todays game so I suppose now would be a good time to apologise for returning them each day during Easter along with half a ton of mud! - sorry, but we had to wash the bibs every night as well! Now the Easter holiday is almost over and everyone back to school this week our spring and summer after schools coaching programme begins from this Thursday and full details are listed on the opposite page. All of our courses are now outside and newcomers are always welcome. To book a place simply ring the Club on 01582 411622 or 07958 43 83 22.



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Luton Regional Sports Centre

School Years 1 to 3 at 4.00 pm to 5.00 pm

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School Years 1 to 3 at 6.00 pm to 7.00 pm

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School Years 5 to 7 at 6.00 pm to 7.00 pm

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School Years 1 to 3 at 6.30 pm to 7.30 pm

School Years 4 to 7 at 7.30 pm to 8.30 pm

Wigmore Primary School

School Years 1 to 2 at 3.50 pm to 4.50 pm

School Years 3 to 4 at 4.50 pm to 5.50 pm

School Years 5 to 7 at 5.50 pm to 6.50 pm

FRIDAYS

St Joseph's Junior School

School Years 1 to 3 at 4.00 pm to 5.00 pm

School Years 4 to 8 at 5.00 pm to 6.00 pm

Lealands High School

School Years 1 to 3 at 4.00 pm to 5.00 pm

School Years 4 to 8 at 5.00 pm to 6.00 pm

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THURSDAYS

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School Years 3 to 4 at 6.00 pm to 7.00 pm

School Years 5 to 7 at 7.00 pm to 8.00 pm

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TUESDAYS

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School Years 3 to 4 at 5.00 pm to 6.00 pm

School Years 5 to 8 at 6.00 pm to 7.00 pm

HENLOW

FRIDAYS

Henlow Middle School

School Years 4 to 8 at 3.45 pm to 4.45 pm

School Years 1 to 3 at 4.45 pm to 5.45 pm

School Years 4 to 8 at 5.45 pm to 6.45 pm

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Junior Hatters

THE JUNIOR Hatters had a cracking day out in North Wales on Easter Monday - except for the Wrexham v Luton result, of course.

Like us, Wrexham are keen to encourage young supporters, and they also believe in fostering friendships between the young fans of rival teams. We had two games of football against the Young Robins, and came out on top - our youngest team won 3-0 and it was a 4-4 draw between the older group. Wrexham invited us to provide a mascot, and as usual the choice was made by lucky dip during the journey, with the honour going to 12-year-old Robert Moss, who is a regular supporter, home and away. You can tell how friendly they are at Wrexham - after the game they said they were sorry Wrexham had won, because they really wanted Luton Town to stay in the Second Division so that we meet again next season. We hope we do.

We now have just one more football trip to complete the awayday programme, to Ashton Gate next Saturday. We always have a good time there, and the coach is usually full, so if you want to go please contact Junior Hatters headquarters at the club shop as soon as possible. And if you want to be in the draw to be mascot, bring your Luton Town kit with you! The price is only £10 for Junior Hatters and £13 for others, thanks to generous sponsorship by London Luton Airport.



SEVEN-year-old Daniel Riley enjoyed being part of the action at the game against Oldham, when he was the Junior Hatters mascot. His duties included meeting the referee and match officials, along with the skippers, before kick-off, and he is pictured in the centre circle, where everyone meets to toss the coin for choice of ends.

Today's Mascot

A REGULAR at Town matches, seven-year-old Christopher Bullock is usually content to sit with his grand-dad in the main stand and shout for the team. But today he will be able to tell the players how good he thinks they are, because he is the Junior Hatters mascot, which means he gets to meet them all in the dressing room before running out onto the pitch with them for the pre-match rituals.



Christopher, from Linkfield, Welwyn Garden City, will doubtless enjoy the

chance to talk to Matthew Taylor, because the wing-back is his favourite player.

When not watching the Town, Christopher's other main pleasures are playing football for Birchwood under-8s and ju-jitsu. He goes to Creswick School, Welwyn GC.

We also have two Junior Hatters ballboys on duty this afternoon, Thomas Falconer, from Rosslyn Crescent, Luton, and Joe Meader, from Highfield Road, Kempston

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LUTON Town and Bury were regular opponents in the old Second Division during the immediate post-war period and the early 1950s. Indeed, Billy Arnison, one of the Hatters stars of that era, played his final league match at Gigg Lane in October 1950.

Arnison was included in a large series of unnumbered cards produced on a commercial basis a few years ago by the Portsmouth cigarette card enthusiast, Bill Priddy. The series ran to over 600 subjects, and mainly utilised the caricatures of Mickey Durling, a leading sports cartoonist of the 1940s and 50s.

Joseph William Arnison was born in Johannesburg, South Africa, on June 27, 1924. He first played football as a goalkeeper, then switched to centre-half, before settling down to be a forward. He came to these shores in 1946 when he signed for Glasgow Rangers, but found his first-team opportunities at Ibrox limited. Luton liked the look of this big, bustling centre-forward and in August 1948 persuaded him to come south, for a £7,000 fee. Always known to the football world as Billy, Arnison went straight into the Town's league side for the opening encounter of the new season, at home to QPR. He did not get on the score sheet that day because the game finished 0-0, but he opened his account at Cardiff

two days later. When the Welsh side came to Luton for the return, the following week, Arnison scored all the goals in the Town's 3-0 win.

He continued in fine form, and two goals in the 3-1 home win over Plymouth on Christmas Day brought his total up to 16. However, in the new year the first of a series of knee injuries which was to plague the remainder of his time at Kenilworth Road restricted his output to three more goals that season.

Arnison started 1949/50 as the Town's first choice for the No. 9 shirt, and he scored in early season encounters with Coventry City and Sheffield

United. But these proved to be his only goals that season, for it was not long before the knee was giving him trouble again. He had to undergo two operations for the removal of cartilage, and did not figure during the second half of the campaign. Everyone hoped that the surgery had done the trick, and that he would be fully fit to lead the attack the following season, but sadly this did not prove to be the case. In October 1950 he played at Bury, in a match which the Shakers won 4-1, and it was his only outing that year, and it turned out

also to be his last senior match. Further operations followed, but eventually, in the summer of 1951, and aged only 27, this cheerful, likeable player was advised to pack in the game. Not only was it a blow to Arnison, but also to Luton Town, who lost a talented forward, possessing a good football brain and a powerful shot in both feet. He played only 46 league and cup games for the Town, scoring 21 goals, yet is well remembered by everyone who saw him.

A benefit game was staged for him in September 1951, against an All-Star XI, and Arnison then returned to South Africa with his wife and young family. He had studied physiotherapy during his playing days, and was able to set up in this line on his return home.

He came back here for periodic visits, and always retained a great affection for the Hatters, who, he said, had always done right by him through his injury problems. He died in 1996.

These cards were not produced in great numbers, and despite being printed comparatively recently are difficult to get hold of now. As they have plain backs, and the only wording on them is the player's name and club, future identification will obviously be a problem. Among the other Town players featured in the series that I have come across are Ron Baynham, Doug Gardiner, Les Hall, George Stobbart and Bernard Stretten.

Alan Robinson

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Action Replay

Luton Town 0 Oldham Athletic 0

AWHEN rival managers Joe Kinnear and Andy Ritchie met after Saturday's game, the visitors' boss admitted: "I don't know how you didn't win that one."

"I do," replied the Town manager. "We didn't score any goals."

A few seconds of conversation summed up 90 minutes of frustration for the Town and their supporters, as we clung on to the hope that an overdue home win would brighten the chances of avoiding relegation. The crowd was the smallest since Mr Kinnear took over, but the noise volume was wonderful, testament to the hunger hard core fans feel for success.

In the event, the fourth consecutive home game in 12 days, from which so much had been expected, became another anti-climax as Oldham set out their stall to avoid defeat, and got away with it. Ritchie, once a consistent goal scorer, confessed that while he was happy enough to take home a point, his team's attacking efforts had been very disappointing.

He had not planned it that way, he said - he knew the Town were bound to give it a go, but was surprised at how little attacking his side could muster.

He added that he had been looking a touch nervously over his shoulder as Oldham hovered six points above 20th place. He figured one more, taking their total to 52, would end the annual worry, so the trip to Kenilworth Road could be counted a success.

For the Town it was frustration all the way, most notably when Paul McLaren shot against a post in the first half, and Liam George missed a sitter shortly afterwards, miss-hitting a side-foot shot into the goalkeeper's arms after Stuart Douglas set up an open goal.

Douglas used his pace and persistence to terrorise Oldham's five-man defence, and Steve Howard's ability in the air ensured that the Town had options going forward.

With Matthew Spring out with hamstring trouble, the boss made three changes. Douglas returned as a third attacker, with George floating around behind the front two, and Petri Helin and Nathan Abbey were demoted to the bench, with Paul Shepherd making a steady debut on the right of defence and Mark Ovendale returning in goal.

The new formation looked potent, threatened a lot, but eventually achieved nothing in terms of goals on a day when one would have changed the game and almost certainly would have led to others.

The manager said he could not fault the way the Town went about their business - outplaying the opposition, and never looking in any danger at the back - except for the major matter of turning possession into goals. Some of the stats, he said, told the story - nine clear chances created, not one taken... five strikers on the books, but without 20 goals between them... 11 games played since the last striker's goal in open play... a leading scorer with only seven to his name... and an 18-year-old midfielder next in the goals chart. Whatever the last few weeks of the season held, he said, he knew he had a specific job to do in the summer: he is determined Luton Town will have a more potent side next campaign.

Match Details

Luton Town: Ovendale, Watts, Boyce, Dryden, Shepherd, McLaren, Mansell, Taylor, George, Howard, Douglas. Subs, all unused: Stein, Thomson, Locke, Helin, Abbey.

Booked: No-one.

Oldham: Kelly, McNiven, Garnett, Hotte (Futcher 62 mins - Paul's lad), Prenderville, Salt (Sheridan 73 mins), Duxbury, Corazzin, Carss, Tipton (Parkin 68 mins), Eyres. Unused subs: Rickers, Miskelly.

Booked: John Sheridan, 82 mins, time-wasting.

Referee: Phil Richards, Lancashire

Attendance: 4,886, 256 of them Oldham supporters

CLOSE CONTEST - Liam George taking on Tony Carss on a day when Oldham were forced to defend in numbers.



KEEPER'S BALL: Gary Kelly spreads himself to deny Stuart Douglas as the Town pile on the pressure..



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Hatters Chatter

Death of Alec Stock

Alec Stock 1917-2001

All at Kenilworth Road were saddened to learn of the death last weekend, at a Bournemouth nursing home, of former Hatters manager Alec Stock. Dapper, smart, fastidious and much loved by his players Stock came to Luton in December 1968 shortly after being discarded by Q.P.R who he had taken from Division Three to Division One in successive seasons.

Presiding over a Luton side that narrowly failed to win promotion from Division Three at the end of the 1968/69 season, he made no mistake in the following campaign and then saw the Hatters almost gain a top flight spot in 1971.

A master in the transfer market, Stock sold local boy Bruce Rioch to Aston Villa for a then divisional record fee and invested the money wisely in buying a little known full back from Fulham by the name of Malcolm Macdonald as well as future stars Chris Nicholl, Don Givens and Peter Anderson.

The sale of Macdonald, for another record fee, broke his heart but was forced on him due to financial problems behind the scenes in the wake of the Vehicle and General crash. He left Kenilworth Road in 1972 citing the strain of travelling daily to and from his Epsom home.

Born in Somerset in 1917 Stock played for both Charlton and Q.P.R in the late 1930's before a distinguished war service in the Royal Armoured Corps saw him rise to the rank of major as well as suffer severe injuries caused by an exploding bazooka. The legacy of the injuries brought on asthma and partial deafness.

After the war, Stock was appointed player manager of non-league Yeovil where he masterminded one of the all time F.A.Cup upsets when Division One 'team of all the talents', Sunderland, were beaten 2-1 at The Huish in 1949.

This achievement pushed Stock into the limelight and he joined Leyton Orient, where he won the Division Three (South) championship, for the first of three spells interspersed with short appointments at Arsenal and A.S.Roma.

A move to Q.P.R. then followed and with it a glorious era for the West London club who became the first Division Three side to win a final at Wembley when they lifted the League Cup in 1967 as well as the previously mentioned promotions.

After leaving the Hatters, Stock linked up with Fulham, who by that time must have forgiven him for poaching Macdonald as well as Rodney Marsh, who he had signed for a giveaway £15,000 for Q.P.R. Stock rewarded the Cottagers by leading them to the 1975 F.A.Cup final when they lost 0-2 to West Ham.

After joining the board at Q.P.R, Stock returned to management at Bournemouth before moving upstairs to become general manager and then a director at Dean Court until eventual retirement in 1986.

Those who worked with him at Kenilworth Road will remember his philosophy. "At Luton, we have three basic rules- train, play and laugh. We never let them mix and everyone here is happy."

Also remembered will be his leading of the team sing-song on the way home on the coach from an away victory when he even insisted that the directors join in!



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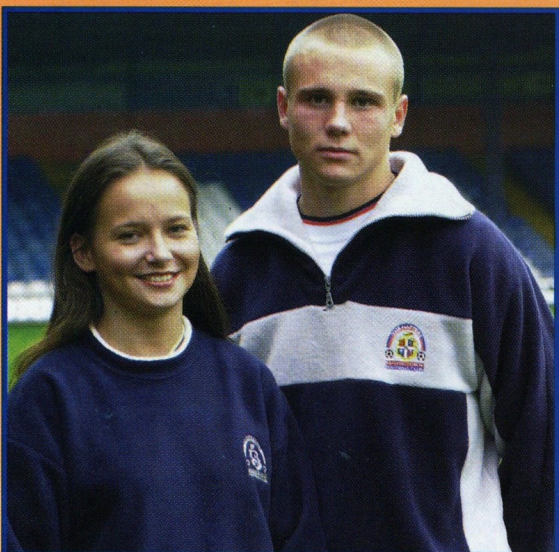
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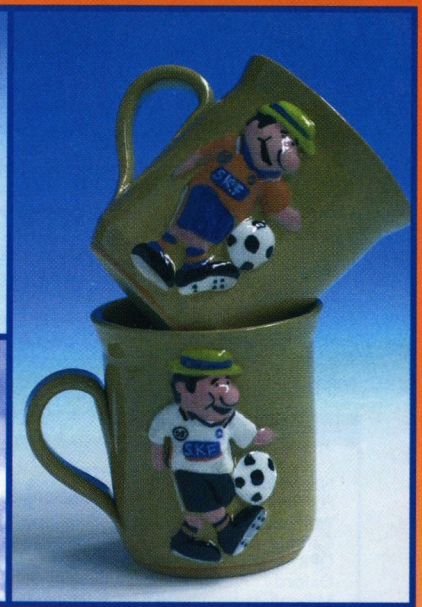
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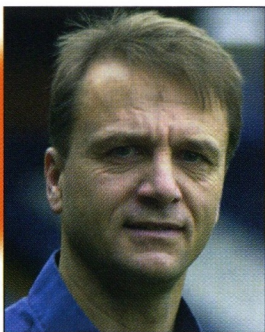
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The Reserves

Kevan Broadhurst



Bedfordshire Premier Cup Brache Sparta 1 Luton Town 3

WE were well pleased to get through to the semi-final of the

Beds Premier Cup for several reasons, not least because the pitch was in a terrible state, causing problems for both sides. We felt sorry for Brache, who apologised for the fact that the council had not been able to flatten the ground.

It had cut up from a previous game, and was no surface for good passing football. The early minutes caused concern: Andre Scarlett took a nasty tumble and had to be carried off with a knee and ankle injury after only four minutes, and three minutes later Dean Standen was also stretchered off, with a bad ankle gash which needed hospital treatment. Both injuries were down to the pitch, and certainly there was nothing malicious about the way our South Midlands hosts played.

It was their cup final, and the requirement was to be first to the ball and move it on. We probably should have won by a wider margin, but Brache had a lot of physical strength and it was good to see how our players reacted to difficult conditions - some thrived on the challenge, while others found it a bit too hot for them.

Daryl Murphy gave us the lead after 25 minutes, doing well to go between two defenders to tuck away the shot, and we had to wait until the second half to overcome hard-working opposition with two more goals.

Dean Brennan, on as sub for Standen, was brought down on a run for goal, and got up to convert the penalty after 65 minutes, and five minutes later he went through again, and although the keeper blocked his first shot he knocked in the rebound.

Brache scored a late consolation, and I was not too distraught about that - they were very good hosts, and by then everyone on the field was concentrating on getting through to the final whistle without more injuries.

We will be away to Kempston Rovers in the semi-final, with a date still to be arranged.

Luton Town: Ward, Shepherd, McGowan, Locke, Breitenfelder, Bruce, Scarlett (Leary 4 mins), Osborn (Everitt 75 mins), Kandol, Murphy, Standen (Brennan 7 mins).

WE WERE at home to Crystal Palace in the Avon Insurance Combination on Wednesday, and a report will be in Tuesday's programme. Next Wednesday, April 25, we entertain Leyton Orient. Kick-off at Kenilworth Road is 2pm.

Appearances (as sub in brackets): Breitenfelder 17, Scarlett 17, Stirling 15(1), Brennan 13(2), Standen 12(5), Kandol 10(3), Thomson 9(1), Holmes 9(1), Abbey 9, Ayres 8, McGowan 8, Ward 6, Ovendale 6, Johnson 5, Locke 5, Dogbe 4(3), Baptiste 4(2), Stein 4, Fraser 4, Mansell 3(1), Carroll 3(1), Karlens 3, Douglas 3, Fotiadis 3, Watts 3, Shepherd 3, Carter 3, Murphy 2(5), Bruce 2(4), Osborn 2(3), Glasgow 2(2), Minton 2(1), James-Barriteau 2(1), George 2, Bakalli 2, Walker 2, Piercewright 2, Dillon 1(2), Downer 1(1), Everitt 1(1), Boyce 1, McLaren 1, Mortara 1, Murffin 1, Codner 1, Tait 1, Onachie 1, Okai 1, Dickie 1, Carham 1, Joynson 1, Mason 1, Showunmi 1, Rose 1, Gray 1, Pihamma 1, Saker 1, Haveron 1, Mohammed 1, Leary 0(1), Clarke 0(1), Carroll 0(1), Newell 0(1), Essandoh 0(1).

Goals: Brennan 7 (1 pen), Thomson 5, Kandol 5, Stein 2, Scarlett 2, Holmes 2, Carter 1, Baptiste 1, George 1, Osborn 1, Bakalli 1, Murphy 1, Ayres 1 pen, OG 2



Youth Soccer

Brian Stein



Swansea City 2 Luton Town 3

WE had a player sent off and, I am sad to report, the coach also received a red card before our ten men clinched a very satisfying victory on Saturday.

I am not proud of my action which brought the second sending-off of my career - the first was 20 years ago when I had a bit of a scuffle with Alvin Martin of West Ham.

At Swansea, on a wet and windy day, and on a poor pitch, we were tested in many ways. Because of the long journey we had travelled the day before, and stayed in a hotel overnight, giving the lads an idea of what it is like to be a professional footballer.

It seemed to hype them up, and they so much wanted to do well that at times they seemed to be trying too hard, which is not entirely a bad thing.

Some of the shouting to the home team from the touch-line was not in the best traditions of sportsmanship, and the referee had a difficult time. The flash point came after 38 minutes, when James Osborn was fouled by a man going in with a two-footed tackle. We were surprised that play was allowed to go on, but then pulled back because the Swansea player was on the ground injured. The ref then decided that Osborn had fouled the man, and that it was serious enough to send him off. We were amazed, and I remonstrated with the ref, and he gave me a red card too. I have to apologise, because I know it sets the wrong example, whatever the provocation at the time.

We were drawing 2-2 when that happened, and had been playing so well that I thought we would win by a street. Being reduced to ten men might have changed the game, but all credit to our lads for the way they responded. We went into a 4-3-2 formation, and the half-time instruction was to get the ball down and play it, and we would probably win.

Swansea kept us out until 12 minutes from time, thanks to a mixture of luck and desperate defence. We played with great self-belief, and created a lot of

chances in an excellent second half performance. The home goalkeeper made some good saves, and a couple were cleared off the line, but the winner was well deserved.

We went ahead on 15 minutes, when Jermain Hunter, a trialist who was with Fulham, set up Stephen O'Leary for a neat goal. I thought it would settle us down, but a succession of debatable decisions by the ref culminated in a free kick being awarded against us on the edge of the box, and Swansea equalised because the wall broke and the shot was deflected past Scott Ward.

A long ball that should have been dealt with led to the home side going ahead on 22 minutes, but on 35 Adam Everitt shot home following a corner. In the second half the ten men took control, and a defender handled on the line to keep out a shot by Kevin Foley, and John Carroll put away the penalty.

Luton Town: Ward, Foley, Everitt (Carroll HT), Gillman, Dogbe, Bruce, Osborn, Leary, Murphy, Hunter (Jeffrey 86 mins), O'Leary.

WE WERE due to entertain Wycombe this morning, and as we went to press were awaiting confirmation of a date to go to Cardiff for a match which was postponed a fortnight ago.

Appearances (as sub in brackets): Dogbe 27, Dillon 24(2), Gillman 24, Bruce 23(2), Leary 22(2), O'Leary 21(6), Osborn 21(3), Mansell 21, Ward 18, Carroll 16(3), Deeney 15(2), Clarke 14(10), James-Barriteau 13(4), Murphy 10(1), Chatfield 10, Foley 5(6), Everitt 5, Jeffrey 4(11), Mortara 3, Nurse 2(2), Standen 2, Okai 1(11), Meike 1(1), Hunter 1, Carter 1, Minton 1, Green 1, Howell 0(1), Koo-Boothe 0(1) Fashanu 0(1), Ramirez 0(1),

Goals: Dillon 15, Clarke 8, Osborn 4, Leary 4, Murphy 4, O'Leary 4, Carroll 4 (1 pen), Mansell 3, James-Barriteau 1, Gillman 1, Jeffrey 1, Deeney 1, Everitt 1, OG 1

Avon Insurance Combination

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Norwich	23	16	6	1	69	22	54
Fulham	19	14	3	2	51	12	45
Reading	20	14	2	4	34	16	44
Cambridge	21	13	4	4	35	23	43
QPR	19	12	2	5	29	16	38
Oxford	22	9	5	8	34	35	32
Millwall	19	8	5	6	24	17	29
Swindon	20	8	5	7	31	26	29
Brighton	16	8	2	6	32	27	26
Gillingham	15	8	2	5	26	24	26
Luton Town	16	7	4	5	22	16	25
Crystal Palace	17	7	4	6	26	27	25
Southend	20	6	5	9	30	36	23
Brentford	19	5	8	6	19	27	23
Portsmouth	16	5	6	5	20	21	21
Bristol Rovers	16	6	2	8	18	23	20
Peterborough	19	6	2	11	18	26	20
Bournemouth	20	5	5	10	23	37	20
Cheltenham	19	5	5	9	24	39	20
Colchester	18	5	3	10	21	30	19
Bristol City	16	3	6	7	17	24	15
Barnet	17	4	2	11	22	37	14
Northampton	15	4	0	11	16	31	12
Wycombe	19	3	3	13	15	44	12
Leyton Orient	19	2	3	14	18	38	9

Avon Insurance Combination League Results and Fixtures

AUG							
Wed 16	Barnet	H	3-1	Brennan 2, Kandol			
Mon 21	Peterborough (LC)	A	2-1	Kandol, Carter			
Tues 29	Millwall	A	0-2				
SEPT							
Wed 13	L. Orient	A		postponed			
Wed 20	Gillingham (LC)	H	1-1	Ayres pen			
OCT							
Wed 4	Fulham	H	4-1	Thomson 3, Brennan			
Wed 18	Gillingham	A	1-1	Brennan			
NOV							
Wed 1	Reading	A	0-2				
Wed 15	Bristol City	A	0-0				
Wed 29	Swindon	A	2-4	Scarlett, Thomson			
DEC							
Mon 6	Portsmouth	H*	3-0	Holmes, OG 2			
Mon 18	Oxford Utd	H*	1-0	Baptiste			
JAN							
Thurs 4	Norwich (LC)	A	0-2				
Wed 10	Wycombe	A	0-1				

Mon 15	Brighton	H	Postponed				
Wed 24	Bournemouth	A	2-1	George, Stein			
Mon 29	Bristol Rov	H*	Postponed				
FEB							
Mon 12	Cheltenham	H*	Postponed				
Wed 21	Cambridge Utd (LC)	H	0-2				
Mon 26	Colchester	A	1-1	Stein			
MAR							
Thurs 1	Dunstable (BPC)	A	4-1	Brennan, Kandol, Scarlett, Osborn			
Mon 12	Norwich City	A	0-0				
Wed 14	Southend	H	2-0	Bakalli, Kandol			
Wed 21	Peterborough	A	Postponed				
Mon 26	Brentford	H*	3-0	Thomson, Kandol, Holmes			
APRIL							
Wed 4	Northampton	A	Postponed				
Thur 12	Brache Sp (BCP)	A	3-1	Murphy, Brennan 2(1p)			
Wed 18	C. Palace	H	2pm				
MAY							
Tues 8	QPR	A	2pm				

FL YOUTH ALLIANCE MERIT DIVISION Southern Section, Divisone One Results and Fixtures

MARCH							
3	Plymouth	H	2-2	Murphy, Clarke			
31	Portsmouth	H	0-0				
APRIL							
14	Swansea City	A	3-1	O'Leary, Everitt, Carroll pen			
21	Wycombe Wdrs	H					
30	Cardiff City	A					
MAY							
5	Brentford	A					

Southern Merit Division One

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Plymouth	4	2	1	1	5	4	7
Luton Town	3	1	2	0	5	4	5
Brentford	3	1	2	0	4	3	5
Wycombe	4	1	1	2	6	6	5
Cardiff City	2	1	0	1	6	6	3
Swansea City	4	1	0	3	6	9	3
Portsmouth	2	0	2	0	1	1	2

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Stoke v Port Vale

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1,584
Wrexham
vs Cambridge

Highest
Aggregate
Score

Brentford2
Bristol Rovers .6
Bristol City6
Cambridge2

Luton5
Swansea3
Wrexham5
Oxford3

Biggest
Home Win

Cambridge6
Rotherham1
Reading5
Oldham0

Millwall5
Oxford0
Millwall6
Colchester1

Port Vale5
Peterborough .0

Biggest
Away Win

Brentford2
Bristol Rovers .6
Peterborough .0
Stoke4

Cambridge1
Millwall5
Consec. Wins

Walsall, Millwall,
Rotherham5

Games
Unbeaten

Wigan18

Consec. Defeats

Bury, Swansea 5
Winless Run

Bristol Rovers,
Cambridge ...12

Nationwide2Stats

n.b. due to print
deadlines, stats
don't include
mid-week
matches

Div.2 Results Grid

HOME GOALS		AWAY GOALS								
	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	
0	42	51	29	20	11	3				
1	54	67	39	27	8	5	2			
2	22	27	22	17	3	1				
3	9	11	9	6	4	2				
4	1	4	4							
5	1	1								
6		1								
7										
8										

for clubs below, read
across row to right
for Big Wins/Defeats
and last 5 results

Division 2 Ave. Attendances

	3000	6000	9000	12000	15000
Bournemouth					4,273
Brentford					4,795
Bristol City					10,424
Bristol Rovers					7,250
Bury					3,414
Cambridge					4,341
Colchester					3,489
Luton					5,867
Millwall					11,121
Northampton					5,783
Notts County					5,387
Oldham					4,773
Oxford					5,103
Peterborough					6,033
Port Vale					4,347
Reading					12,077
Rotherham					5,475
Stoke					13,453
Swansea					5,351
Swindon					6,110
Walsall					5,564
Wigan					6,519
Wrexham					3,494
Wycombe					5,393

Biggest Wins & Losses

Win - vs.	Defeat - vs.
4-0 Bristol City 1-3 Clch/Rth	
3-0 Oxford 2-6 B Rovers	
6-2 Cambridge 0-4 Col/Bmt	
6-2 Brentford 1-4 Stoke	
3-0 Swansea 0-4 Millwall	
6-1 Roth'ham 2-6 Brstl City	
4-0 Bristol City 1-6 Millwall	
5-3 Swansea 0-4 Swansea	
6-1 Colchester 2-3 3 clubs	
2-0 4 Clubs 0-3 3 clubs	
4-1 Roth'ham 1-5 Walsall	
5-1 Wrexham 0-5 Reading	
3-1 Nthmptn 0-5 Millwall	
4-0 Swindon 0-5 Port Vale	
5-0 Peterboro 0-4 Cmbidge	
5-0 Oldham 0-4 Brstl City	
3-0 5 clubs 1-6 Cmbidge	
4-0 Oxfd/Stke 0-3 Walsall	
4-0 Luton 1-5 Rdg/Wal	
3-0 Bury/Oldh 0-4 P'boro	
5-1 3 clubs 1-3 Wy/Swa	
3-1 3 Clubs 1-3 Mill/Brnt	
4-1 Bury 1-5 Oldham	
3-1 3 Clubs 1-5 Walsall	

Last 5 Home Results

WWWLW
WDWLD
LWDDL
DDWLW
WDWLL
WLWDL
WLWWD
WDLDD
WWWWW
WWWLL
WWDLL
WLWDW
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Referees Report

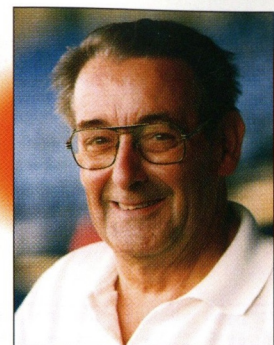
	G	RC	YC	Av.Yell
Barber	5	0	33	6.60
Fletcher	24	3	111	4.63
Olivier	23	4	94	4.09
Hall	28	12	114	4.07
Prosser	19	7	77	4.05
Dowd	24	10	91	3.79
Mathieson	27	2	102	3.78
Cooper	17	6	64	3.76
Riley	11	3	41	3.73
Harris	9	2	33	3.67
Knight	12	5	43	3.58
Foy	26	5	93	3.58
Ryan	19	4	66	3.47
Jones T	26	11	90	3.46
Jordan	25	2	86	3.44

Grid shows the number
of games ending with each
result, e.g. 67
matches have been
1-1 draws and 54
games have ended a
1-0 away win.

Hotshots - Div.2 Clubs' most prolific marksmen, inc. the difference their goals made

see key below	Leading Scorer	GS	1stG	Sc1	Sc2	HT	Gms	Ave	W>L	W>D	D>L	Pts	Run	Dry	Numbers	Last 5 Away Results
Bournemouth	Defoe	16	7	12	2	0	26	0.62	1	4	2	13	10	6	31 13 4	LLDWV
Brentford	Owusu	8	2	8	0	0	28	0.29	0	2	3	7	2	6	30 10 11	LDLWL
Bristol City	Thorpe	18	3	10	1	2	37	0.49	1	2	2	9	2	5	33 10 10	LWDWL
Bristol Rovers	Ellington	11	3	7	2	0	37	0.30	1	1	4	9	3	10	35 14 18	LLLLL
Bury	Newby	5	3	3	1	0	14	0.36	0	4	0	8	1	4	28 12 14	LWLDL
Cambridge	Youngs	13	2	9	2	0	35	0.37	0	3	2	8	3	5	39 10 10	LLWLW
Colchester	Stockwell	10	2	6	2	0	41	0.24	1	1	3	8	1	16	28 12 14	LLWL
Luton	Mansell	5	2	3	1	0	15	0.33	0	1	1	3	1	3	32 7 14	WDLDL
Millwall	Harris	25	9	12	2	3	40	0.63	1	5	2	15	3	3	32 22 7	LLDDW
Northampton	Forrester	16	9	12	2	0	40	0.40	1	5	5	18	5	9	32 9 14	LDLDL
Notts County	Stallard	15	7	15	0	0	37	0.41	0	6	3	15	3	5	35 12 10	DDLDW
Oldham	Corazzin	8	3	4	0	1	36	0.22	0	2	0	4	1	11	28 13 13	LLDWL
Oxford	Gray	7	3	3	2	0	22	0.32	1	0	0	3	1	7	38 4 17	LWLDL
Peterborough	McKenzie	12	3	8	2	0	27	0.44	1	2	2	9	2	4	26 11 12	LDLWD
Port Vale	Naylor	11	5	7	2	0	36	0.31	0	3	1	7	2	7	26 13 12	WWDLD
Reading	Cureton	23	9	17	0	2	40	0.58	0	8	3	19	4	5	29 16 6	WDDWW
Rotherham	Robins	23	7	14	3	1	38	0.61	2	6	3	21	2	2	27 17 5	WWLLD
Stoke	Thorne	16	6	7	3	1	34	0.47	1	4	2	13	3	6	28 13 9	WLLWL
Swansea	Savarese	12	2	3	3	1	28	0.43	1	0	4	7	2	10	30 9 20	WDLWL
Swindon	Invincibile	8	2	4	2	0	39	0.21	0	2	1	5	2	17	35 12 16	WDLWL
Walsall	Leitao	17	9	15	1	0	40	0.43	1	4	1	12	3	5	25 13 10	DDLWD
Wigan	Haworth	11	6	8	0	1	27	0.41	1	3	1	10	2	10	31 16 12	LLDWV
Wrexham	Trundle	8	0	5	0	1	12	0.67	1	3	0	9	5	3	30 7 10	WWLDD
Wycombe	Rammell	10	3	4	3	0	26	0.38	2	2	1	11	2	7	32 9 16	WLLLV

Key: GS=Goals Scored; 1st G=Games Scored 1st Goal; Sc1=Games Scored 1 Goal; Sc2=Games Scored 2 Goals; HT=Hat-Tricks; Each club's leading league scorer and their goals per game (Avg). Next 3 columns show taking off their goals, how many games change from Win to Loss (W>L), Win to Draw (W>D), Draw to Loss (D>L) and Points (Pts) lost. Last 2 figures show best scoring run, and longest dry spell in consecutive games. NUMBERS: PU=Players Used CS=Clean Sheets FS=Games Failed to Score



Second Division Scene Brian Swain

FIFTEEN points to play for, and a ten-point gap to close. That is the size

of the task facing the Town today as the relegation scrap effectively becomes a matter of five teams trying to avoid three places. With 50 points the minimum target, Town boss Joe Kinnear wants a winning surge to take the Town to 53, and insists we stay positive and go for it after an Easter that yielded one point out of six. The holiday programme did no favours to any of the clubs involved in the dogfight. Oxford, already relegated, failed to collect a single point. The best news for us was that the same fate befell Andy King's Swindon. Saturday's defeat to champions-elect Millwall, by just one goal, was no real surprise, but on Monday they suffered their ninth home defeat of the season, throwing away a good chance against Notts County. Gary Alexander missed an early penalty but Matt Heywood gave Swindon a half-time lead before Notts County struck twice in the last 16 minutes. Swansea, who need something very special to avoid relegation, collected just one point from their two Easter games, from a goal-less draw at home to Rotherham on Saturday. Brian Horton's Port Vale beat

the Swans 1-0 on Monday to leave the Welshmen bottom but one and 15 points adrift of the safety mark. There is every chance they will be relegated today - even if they beat Oldham and carry on to win their last four they are doomed if Cambridge or Swindon collect just one draw from their remaining games. Bristol Rovers and Cambridge were the most successful strugglers over the bank holiday weekend, each taking three points. Rovers beat Colchester at home before losing at Oldham, and Cambridge won 2-0 at Northampton but were then smashed 5-1 by Millwall at The Abbey on Tuesday. Bury, today's visitors, will be looking to make amends for a miserable holiday weekend. They were thumped 4-1 at Reading, where Colin Cramb gave them an early lead, but was later sent off. On Monday, they were beaten 1-0 at home by play-off contenders Wigan, and suffered another red card. Paul Dalglish of Wigan, and Adrian Littlejohn, who scored in the 1-1 draw against us at Gigg Lane in November, were both sent off after a massed handbags tantrum late in the game. Bury have had a mixed season: - they were in the top four until mid-October before dropping to 18th at the turn of the year, then moving up to tenth a month ago. A run of four games without a victory, and three defeats on the trot, has dropped them to 16th, and goals are becoming a problem - they have netted only two in those four matches, both by Cramb, who is on loan from Crewe. Their away record shows five wins, four draws and 12 defeats. The victories were at Cambridge, Rotherham, Swansea, Walsall and Wrexham. Draws were at Peterborough, Colchester, Port Vale and Oldham, while the pointless trips were to Oxford, Millwall, Notts County, Wigan, Wycombe, Bristol City, Stoke, Northampton, Swindon, Bristol Rovers, Bournemouth and Reading.

Brian Swain

Nationwide Division Two Table

	HOME					AWAY					Pts	
	P	W	D	L	F	A	W	D	L	F		A
Millwall	44	16	2	4	44	11	11	6	5	39	26	89
Reading	43	15	3	3	53	21	10	6	6	27	24	84
Rotherham	42	15	4	3	48	25	9	5	6	25	28	81
Walsall	41	14	5	3	49	22	6	6	7	21	23	71
Wigan	43	12	8	1	29	16	6	9	7	22	23	71
Stoke	43	10	6	5	32	19	8	8	6	33	27	68
Bristol City	43	10	6	6	44	28	7	7	7	22	25	64
Bournemouth	42	9	6	6	33	23	8	6	7	37	28	63
Wrexham	42	10	5	7	32	27	6	6	8	30	36	59
Notts County	41	8	5	6	31	27	8	6	8	22	31	59
Peterborough	42	11	5	4	34	24	3	8	11	22	37	55
Oldham	43	11	5	6	34	24	3	8	10	16	33	55
Port Vale	40	9	8	4	33	17	5	4	10	13	25	54
Northampton	42	8	6	6	24	23	6	6	10	20	29	54
Brentford	41	8	8	4	27	25	5	7	9	21	32	54
Bury	43	10	5	7	24	21	5	4	12	17	33	54
Colchester	41	9	5	8	30	22	5	5	9	19	29	52
Wycombe	40	8	5	8	23	22	5	6	8	12	26	50
Cambridge	42	7	6	8	29	28	6	3	12	26	43	48
Swindon	43	5	8	9	28	34	7	4	10	16	26	48
Bristol Rov	41	4	10	5	17	19	6	5	11	24	29	45
Luton Town	41	5	5	10	22	31	4	6	11	25	40	38
Swansea	41	4	8	7	18	20	3	4	15	20	46	33
Oxford Utd	42	4	3	14	19	32	2	2	17	27	58	23

Today's Other Second Division Fixtures

- Bristol Rovers v Oxford
- Northampton v Colchester
- Notts County v Bristol City
- Peterborough v Bournemouth
- Reading v Walsall
- Stoke v Wrexham
- Swansea v Oldham
- Wigan v Rotherham
- Wycombe v Swindon

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Statistics Fixtures

2000 / 2001

Date	Opposition	Result	Scorers	League Place	Attd.	Team
AUGUST	Sat 12	Notts County	H 3pm 0-1	-	7,059	Ovendale Boyce Watts McLaren Johnson
AUGUST	Sat 19	Wigan	A 3pm 1-2	-	6,518	Ovendale Boyce Watts McLaren Johnson
AUGUST	Tue 22	Peterborough WC1(1)	H 7.45pm 0-0	-	3,175	Ovendale Boyce Watts McLaren Fraser
AUGUST	Sat 26	Bournemouth	H 3pm 1-0	18	5,221	Ovendale Boyce Watts McLaren Fraser
AUGUST	Mon 28	Wycombe Wdrs	A 3pm 1-1	17	6,001	Ovendale Boyce Watts McLaren Fraser
SEPTEMBER	Sat 2	Rotherham Utd	A 3pm 1-1	17	4,061	Ovendale Boyce Watts McLaren Locke
SEPTEMBER	Tue 5	Peterborough WC1(2)	A 7.45pm 2-2	17	4,286	Ovendale Boyce Watts McLaren Fraser
SEPTEMBER	Sat 9	Northampton Town	H 3pm 0-2	19	6,712	Abbey Boyce Watts McLaren Fraser
SEPTEMBER	Tue 12	Walsall	H 7.45pm 0-0	19	4,362	Abbey Boyce Watts McLaren Locke
SEPTEMBER	Sat 16	Swansea City	A 3pm 0-4	20	6,011	Ovendale Boyce Watts McLaren Locke
SEPTEMBER	Tue 19	Sunderland WC2(1)	A 7.45pm 0-3	20	24,668	Ovendale Boyce Watts McLaren Fraser
SEPTEMBER	Sat 23	Swindon Town	H 3pm 2-3	21	4,933	Ovendale Boyce Watts George Fraser
SEPTEMBER	Tue 26	Sunderland WC2(2)	H 7.45pm 1-2	21	5,262	Ovendale Boyce Watts George Fraser
SEPTEMBER	Sat 30	Bristol Rov	A 3pm 3-3	22	7,901	Ovendale Boyce Watts George Fraser
OCTOBER	Sun 8	Millwall	H 12pm 0-1	22	5,345	Ovendale Boyce Watts George McGowan
OCTOBER	Fri 13	Cambridge Utd	A 8pm 1-2	23	6,191	Ovendale Boyce Watts George McGowan
OCTOBER	Tue 17	Oxford Utd	A 7.45pm 0-0	23	4,537	Abbey Boyce Watts George McGowan
OCTOBER	Sat 21	Brentford	H 3pm 3-1	23	5,382	Abbey Boyce Watts George Locke
OCTOBER	Sat 28	Wrexham	H 3pm 3-4	23	5,341	Abbey Boyce Watts George Johnson
NOVEMBER	Sat 4	Bury	A 3pm 1-1	23	2,861	Abbey Boyce Watts George Karlson
NOVEMBER	Sat 11	Bristol City	H 3pm 0-3	23	6,595	Abbey Boyce McGowan George Karlson
NOVEMBER	Fri 17	Rushden & D FAC1	H 8pm 1-0	23	5,771	Abbey Boyce Fraser Watts Karlson
NOVEMBER	Sat 25	Port Vale	A 3pm 0-3	23	4,194	Abbey Boyce Whitbread Watts Karlson
DECEMBER	Sat 2	Stoke City	A 3pm 3-1	23	12,389	Abbey Johnson Whitbread Watts Locke
DECEMBER	Tue 5	Peterborough LDVT1	A 7.45 0-1	23	2,075	Ovendale Ayres Karlson Fraser Locke
DECEMBER	Sat 9	Darlington FAC2	A 3pm 0-0	23	3,641	Abbey Johnson Whitbread Watts Locke
DECEMBER	Sat 16	Colchester Utd	H 3pm 0-3	23	4,791	Abbey Johnson Whitbread Watts Fotiadis
DECEMBER	Tue 19	Darlington FAC2R	H 7.45 2-0	23	3,563	Abbey Johnson Whitbread Watts Fotiadis
DECEMBER	Sat 23	Reading	A 3pm 1-4	23	10,771	Abbey Johnson Whitbread Boyce Fotiadis
DECEMBER	Tue 26	Peterborough	H 1pm 3-2	23	7,374	Abbey Boyce Whitbread Fraser Holmes
DECEMBER	Sat 30	Wigan	H 3pm 0-2	23	5,322	Ovendale Watts Whitbread Fraser Holmes
JANUARY	Mon 1	Bournemouth	A 3pm 2-3	23	5,411	Ovendale Watts Whitbread Fraser Holmes
JANUARY	Sat 6	QPR FAC3	H 3pm 3-3	23	8,677	Ovendale Boyce Whitbread Fraser George
JANUARY	Fri 12	Wycombe	H 7.45pm 1-2	23	4,551	Ovendale Boyce Whitbread Fraser George
JANUARY	Wed 17	QPR FAC3R	A 8pm 1-2aet	23	14,395	Ovendale McGowan Whitbread Fraser Karlson
JANUARY	Tue 23	Oldham	A 7.45pm 0-2	23	3,011	Ovendale McGowan Whitbread Boyce Karlson
FEBRUARY	Sat 10	Northampton Town	A 3pm 1-0	23	6,633	Ovendale Boyce Stirling Dryden Rowland
FEBRUARY	Tue 13	Notts County	A 7.45pm 3-1	23	4,333	Ovendale Boyce Stirling Dryden Rowland
FEBRUARY	Sat 17	Swansea City	H 3pm 5-3	22	7,085	Ovendale Boyce Stirling Dryden Rowland
FEBRUARY	Tue 20	Walsall	A 7.45pm 1-3	22	4,816	Ovendale Boyce Stirling Dryden Rowland
FEBRUARY	Sat 24	Swindon	A 3pm 3-1	22	7,160	Ovendale Boyce McLaren Dryden Rowland
MARCH	Sat 3	Bristol Rov	H 3pm 0-0	22	7,405	Abbey Boyce Watts Dryden Rowland
MARCH	Tue 6	Cambridge Utd	H 7.45pm 1-0	22	6,370	Abbey Boyce McLaren Dryden Rowland
MARCH	Sat 10	Millwall	A 3pm 0-1	22	11,691	Abbey Boyce McLaren Dryden Rowland
MARCH	Tue 27	Peterborough	A 7.45pm 1-1	22	5,425	Abbey Boyce McLaren Dryden Rowland
MARCH	Sat 31	Colchester	A 3pm 1-3	22	4,271	Abbey Boyce McLaren Dryden Rowland
APRIL	Tue 3	Reading	H 7.45pm 1-1	22	6,132	Abbey Boyce McLaren Dryden Rowland
APRIL	Sat 7	Stoke City	H 3pm 1-2	22	6,456	Abbey Boyce McLaren Dryden Rowland
APRIL	Tue 10	Oxford Utd	H 7.45pm 1-1	22	6,010	Abbey Boyce Watts Dryden McLaren
APRIL	Sat 14	Oldham	H 3pm 0-0	22	4,886	Ovendale Boyce Watts Dryden McLaren
APRIL	Mon 16	Wrexham	A 3pm 1-3	22	3,329	Ovendale Boyce Watts Dryden McLaren
APRIL	Sat 21	Bury	H 3pm			
APRIL	Tue 24	Rotherham Utd	H 7.45pm			
APRIL	Sat 28	Bristol City	A 3pm			
MAY	Thur 3	Brentford	A 7.45pm			
MAY	Sat 5	Port Vale	H 3pm			

Substitutes
Holmes for Locke 57, Fraser for Watts 78. Unused: Stirling, Brennan, Abbey
Fraser for Johnson HT; Scarlett for Locke 73, Brennan for Holmes 83. Unused: Stirling, Abbey
Brennan for Fotiadis 81. Unused: Stirling, Locke, Scarlett, Abbey
Brennan for George 57, Locke for Holmes 86. Unused: Stirling, Kandol, Abbey
Brennan for George 55, Kandol for Fotiadis 76. Unused: Locke, Stirling, Abbey
Kandol for Fotiadis HT; Brennan for Holmes 65; George for Stein 81. Unused: Stirling, Abbey
Holmes for Brennan 74; Locke for Spring 105; Kandol for Stein 113. Unused: Stirling, Abbey
Holmes for Spring 75; Kandol for Brennan 60. Unused: Locke, Stirling, Brietenfelder
George for Brennan 52; Kandol for Thomson 72; Holmes for Scarlett 82. Unused: Fraser, Ovendale.
George for Stein 75. Unused: Fraser, Scarlett, Thomson, Abbey.
George for Stein 70; Thomson for Kandol 70. Unused: Brennan, Stirling, Abbey
Locke for Spring 66; Thomson for Kandol 72. Unused: Brennan, Ayres, Abbey
Brennan for Thomson 81. Unused: Holmes, Breitenfelder, Ayres, Abbey
Mc Gowan for Fraser HT; Stein for Thomson HT; Holmes for Spring 79. Unused: Brennan, Abbey
All unused: Brennan, Holmes, Stirling, Scarlett, Abbey.
Holmes for Kandol HT; Brennan for McGowan 89. Unused: Fraser, Breitenfelder, Abbey
Breitenfelder for McGowan HT; Brennan for Kandol 79. Unused: Locke, Thomson, Ovendale
Brietenfelder for Locke 18 mins; Thomson for Douglas 44 mins; Brennan for George 86 mins. Unused: Kandol, Ovendale
Fraser for McLaren 47 mins; Thomson for Fotiadis 70 mins. Unused: Brennan, Baptiste, Ovendale
Baptiste for Douglas 75 mins; Holmes for George 80 mins. Unused: McGowan, Breitenfelder, Ovendale
Fotiadis for Douglas 44 mins; Baptiste for Stein 74 mins. Unused: Watts, Locke, Ovendale
Thomson for Stein 73 mins. Unused: McGowan, Locke, Fotiadis, Ovendale
Fotiadis for Nogan 74 mins; Fraser for Helin 77 mins. Unused: Locke, Scarlett, Ovendale
Fotiadis for Thomson 89 mins; Karlson for George 90 mins. Unused: Fraser, Nogan, Ovendale
Stein for Thomson HT; Nogan for Fotiadis 56 mins. Unused: Scarlett, Stirling, Abbey
All unused: Stein, Nogan, Karlson, Stirling, Ovendale
Fotiadis for Locke 56 mins. Unused: Scarlett, Holmes, Fraser, Ovendale
Boyce for Watts 68 mins; Locke for Spring 86 mins. Unused: Baptiste, Fraser, Ovendale
Fraser for Johnson 23 mins; Locke for McLaren 52 mins; Baptiste for George 82 mins. Unused: Scarlett, Ovendale
Scarlett for Holmes 75 mins; Kandol for Nogan 76 mins. Unused: Karlson, Stirling, Ovendale
Thomson for Holmes 59 mins; Stein for Nogan 75 mins. Unused: Breitenfelder, Stirling, Abbey
Stirling for Watts 38 mins; Breitenfelder for Fraser 74 mins; Scarlett for Fotiadis 80 mins. Unused: Baptiste, Abbey
Douglas for Fotiadis 70 mins; Stirling for Helin 79 mins. Unused: Holmes, Kandol, Abbey
Kandol for Thomson 71 mins; Scarlett for Breitenfelder 78 mins; Stirling for Boyce 83 mins. Unused: Holmes, Ward
Stirling for Fraser 4 mins; Stein for Douglas 65 mins; Scarlett for Fotiadis 79 mins. Unused: Abbey, George
Thomson for Nogan HT; George for Holmes 55 mins; Stein for Fotiadis 78 mins. Unused: Abbey, Stirling
Fotiadis for Douglas 86 mins. Unused: Abbey, Stein, Holmes, Breitenfelder
Kandol for Douglas 59 mins; Fotiadis for Kandol 78 mins. Unused: Abbey, Holmes, Breitenfelder
Fotiadis for Douglas 65 mins; Locke for Rowland 89 mins. Unused: Abbey, Thomson, Breitenfelder
Locke for Mansell 19 mins; Fotiadis for George HT; Thomson for Douglas HT. Unused: Abbey, Breitenfelder
Stein for Fotiadis 12 mins; Mansell for Locke 65 mins; Thomson for Stein 85 mins. Unused: Abbey, Stirling
Douglas for Stein 66 mins; Stirling for McLaren 80 mins. Unused: Fotiadis, Thomson, Ward
Fotiadis for Douglas HT; Watts for Rowland HT; Stein for Fotiadis 84 mins. Unused: Stirling, Ward
Fotiadis for Douglas 65 mins; Watts for Dryden 82 mins; Stein for Mansell 82 mins. Unused: Stirling, Ward
Stein for George 73 mins. Unused: Stirling, Watts, Douglas, Ovendale
Douglas for Rowland HT. Unused: Stirling, Watts, Shepherd, Ovendale
Douglas for Stein 72 mins; George for Rowland 81 mins. Unused: Stirling, Watts, Ovendale
Douglas for Rowland HT; George for Stein 85 mins. Unused: Stirling, Watts, Ovendale
Stirling for Spring 68 mins; Stein for Helin, 79 mins. Unused: Thomson, Holmes, Ovendale
All unused: Stirling Stein, Locke, Helin, Abbey
Locke for McLaren, 36 mins. Unused: Stirling, Stein, Helin, Abbey

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STUART DOUGLAS **9**

Substitutes

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SCOTT WARD **24**

Changes

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26 CHRIS ARMSTRONG

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