HOWARD'S BRACE SHOWS THE WAY

Luton 2

York 1



LUTON'S top scorer Steve Howard was again the hero as his two goals sealed a 2-1 victory over York.

The visitors had shocked Kenilworth Road by taking the lead in the 17th minute when Michael Proctor curled home a right-foot shot. Minutes earler he forced home keeper Carl Emberson into a low save after latching on to a long pass from Darren Edmondson.

But Howard put Luton level two minutes later when Emmerson Boyce powered down the right flank and delivered an accurate cross that the inform Howard headed into the top corner. Six minutes after half-time Howard claimed the three points with another clinical downward header from Adrian Forbes' right-wing

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cross he managed to squeeze under the body of Northern Ireland International Alan Fettis.

Ahmet Brkovic could have added a third with 19 minutes left but his tame chip flew straight to keeper Alan Fettis, and Howard then passed up two good chances to complete his hat-trick in the last nine minutes.

York almost went into half time in front through bizarre circumstances when home defender Chris Coyne sliced narrowly off target from 35 yards in first-half injury time with bemused keeper Emberson well beaten.

York midfielder Lee Bullock should have equalised for the visitors in the 55th minute but shot woefully wide after bursting into the penalty box unchallenged.