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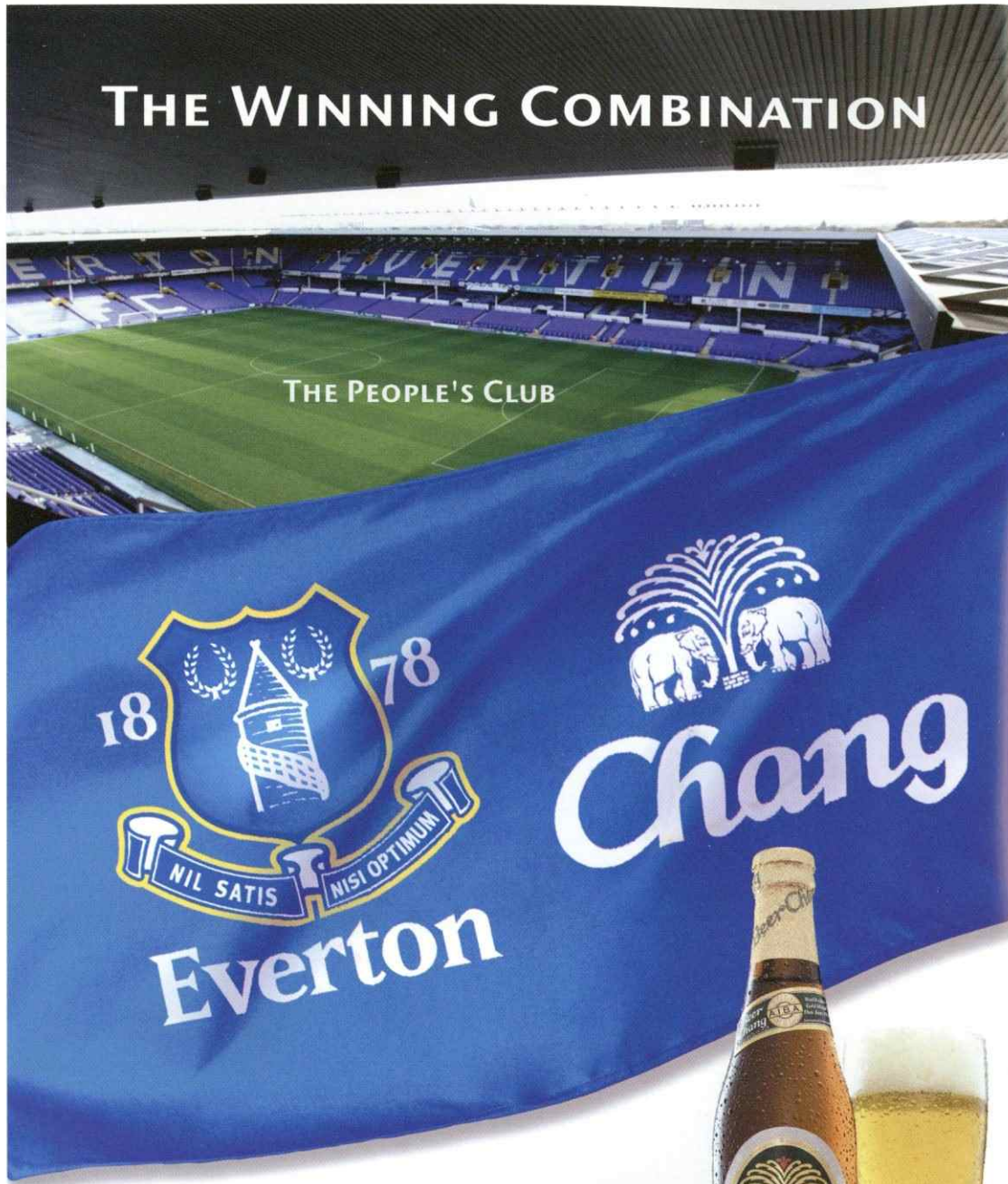


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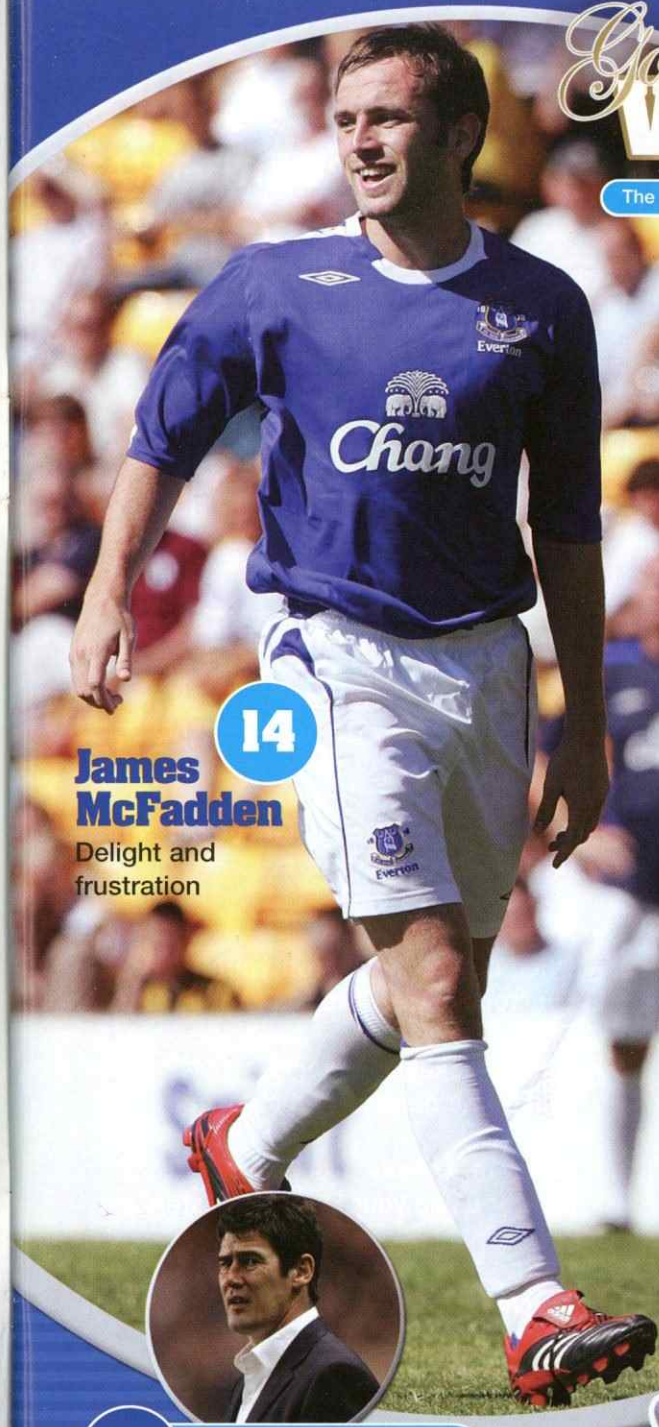
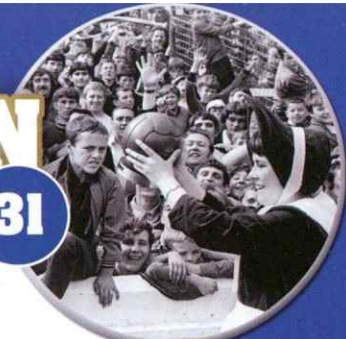
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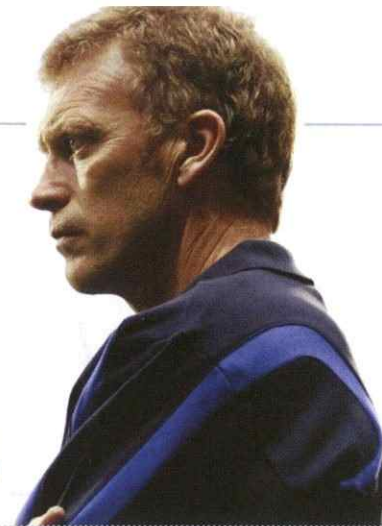
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The manager ...

David Moyes



'The Carling Cup is becoming more popular'

Good evening and welcome to Goodison for tonight's Carling Cup third round tie...

All you can hope for in any competition is a home draw and that's what we've got against Luton Town. Nevertheless, we are expecting a tough tie against a good Championship team.

The Carling Cup is a competition we would all like to win. It is becoming more popular because teams are placing more emphasis on it now. Clubs are realising how difficult it is to win the Premiership and the Carling Cup represents a realistic chance to not only get some silverware but to qualify for Europe.

We've not had a great record in cup competitions since I arrived at Everton, although I have to say that on many occasions we've had some poor luck with regard to the draw. We've had a few disappointing results too, and perhaps some neutrals were expecting another one when we played Peterborough in the previous round of this competition but I felt we were always comfortable and deserved our victory.

I can't comment on our weekend match with Sheffield United because these notes had to be compiled prior to the game being played but I can say that we are all looking forward to tonight's game - there is always a special atmosphere at Goodison under the floodlights.

We are also looking forward to going to the Emirates Stadium this weekend to play Arsenal. Everyone involved in football will doubtless miss Highbury and the rich tradition that went with it but things have to move on and maybe people will say the same thing about Goodison Park one day.

Their new stadium is giving Arsenal the chance to get an extra 20,000 supporters through the gates, compared to Highbury, and the financial rewards are all too obvious which is why a new stadium for Everton will help us compete more.

Arsenal didn't have the best results from their early fixtures at The Emirates but that can happen to teams - Southampton struggled, for example, when they first moved from The Dell - but they have settled into their new surroundings and it will be a test for us.

Finally, I'd like to welcome Mike Newell, Brian Stein and the rest of the Luton staff to Goodison tonight. Mike will doubtless be relishing his return to Goodison Park and, like most ex-Everton players, I'm sure he'll get a warm welcome from our supporters. One of the Luton players, Steve Robinson, was with me at Preston North End and it will be nice to see him again. I wish them all well for the rest of the Championship season but, of course, I hope their Carling Cup interest ends tonight!

Enjoy the game.

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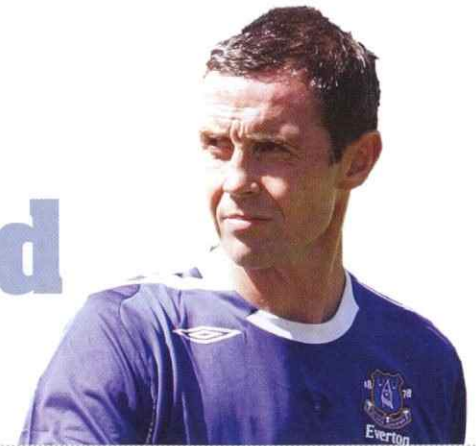
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David Weir



'It's been too long since we've reached the final of this Cup'

There's always something special about playing here in the midweek matches under floodlights. The atmosphere is generally terrific and hopefully tonight will be no exception.

I had to write tonight's captain's column before the Premiership match with Sheffield United at the weekend but hopefully we will have made a return to winning ways.

The Carling Cup has offered a mixed bag for me since I came down from Scotland. I've been involved in some great games, some shock defeats and no shortage of penalty shoot-outs!

Bristol Rovers, Crystal Palace and Middlesbrough have knocked us out on penalties, but we had a memorable win up at Newcastle United one evening a couple of seasons ago and I recall us also out-shooting Bristol City at Ashton Gate.

But, by and large, for a club of our size and tradition, Everton's record in the competition hasn't been the best.

Hopefully, we can get the job done within the normal period of 90 minutes tonight, although we know that Luton Town will give us a tough night. They've had some very good results in the Championship this season and former Everton striker Mike Newell has done a terrific job since taking over at Kenilworth Road.

We will obviously start as favourites to progress through to the next round but we know we will have to be properly prepared for the game and that we will have to approach it with nothing less than 100% respect for our opponents.

Away from the football pitch, I was delighted to help out on the Everton in the Community 'Healthy Schools Bus' recently, in my capacity

as a Prince's Trust ambassador.

The Prince's Trust is a most worthwhile initiative and the work they do in the local community is excellent, helping young people to better themselves though a variety of schemes and projects designed to improve their general life skills. Both James Beattie and I are ambassadors and we both really enjoy helping out when we can.

Indeed, one of the privileges of being a professional footballer is that it gives you sufficient status to be able to really make a difference when it comes to worthwhile and charitable causes.

Last week, I merely visited the Healthy Schools Bus, conducted a question and answer session with some of the children, presented some certificates and signed some autographs.

But the youngsters really seemed to enjoy it and I was gratified at being given the opportunity to pop down to Goodison and see what the Healthy Schools Bus was all about. All the players really enjoy the charity work that we do.

But tonight, of course, all our focus will be on winning the match and moving ourselves through to the next round of the Carling Cup. Everton haven't reached the final of this tournament since 1984...and that's far too long.

Enjoy tonight's game.



Light fantastic: Goodison under lights is special

Hibbo blow

Tony Hibbert faces two months on the sidelines after seriously injuring his groin in last week's game at Middlesbrough.

He was hurt in a collision with Boro striker Mark Viduka.

Physio Mick Rathbone said: "He is Everton through-and-through, you never get a minute's trouble out of him and he will play if there is ever a chance but he has got a significant injury and he has a lot of work ahead of him."



Paddy's back

Young defender Patrick Boyle has returned to the club after a month's loan at Championship side Norwich City.

The Glasgow-born 19-year-old made his full league debut for the Canaries and went on to make three appearances before returning to Goodison.

Actim leaders

Everton players went into the weekend leading the way in the Premiership statistics. Andy Johnson was ranked first in the official Actim Stats index, while Tim Cahill was the top-rated midfielder, climbing to fifth in the overall placings. Phil Neville, Mikel Arteta and Joseph Yobo were also in the top 50 overall performers.

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Vaughan staying put

David Moyes has revealed that James Vaughan will not be going out on loan.

The youngster has been the subject of widespread interest since returning to fitness earlier this season. But Moyes said: "We have had so many clubs ringing us, not just a few but I think more than 20 now. But I am not going to let James go on loan."

Having seen Vaughan sidelined by injury for much of the last year, Moyes wants to ensure the striker is fully recovered.

"It would be wrong for us to put him out on loan after such a bad injury until we have seen that it does not flare up again," he added. "Any thoughts of loans are non-starters. We will decide if there is a right time."



Kelly's hero Tim!

Kelly Sanderson, from Australia, wrote to us to tell us about an unusual day at work a couple of weeks ago.

Kelly, who works at Australian bank Suncorp, was told by a colleague that the Paraguay football team were staying in the hotel across the road ahead of their friendly with the Socceroos. Kelly and work-mate Tania Fernandez were then given permission by their boss to verify this information



after a television camera crew were spotted!

"Tania and I sneaked into the Sofitel Hotel, pretending to know exactly where we were going and that we were guests there," she says. "We had been told the team were in the pool area but there were no signs for the pool and we didn't have any idea where we should be going. I spotted someone heading into the lift, so we quickly sneaked in so that we could get in on their access card! We got out on the third floor and walked out to the pool just as the TV camera guys were walking out. Then it hit us, this was not the Paraguay soccer team but the Australian team.

"It was brilliant. We got to chat to a couple of them and I got a photo with my hero Tim Cahill. What a day!"



Million pound man

Andy Johnson met Merseyside's newest millionaire at Goodison earlier this month!

Lifelong Evertonian Robert Davies, from Kirkby, may have been disappointed by Manchester City's late leveller at Goodison three weeks ago but he cheered up that evening when he learnt that he had scooped £1,454,780 in the National Lottery draw and was even more delighted when AJ agreed to

present him with his winning cheque.

Lottery organisers Camelot arranged for Robert to come to Goodison Park for a special presentation and the Blues' top scorer duly handed over the prize at the side of the pitch.

Robert, aged 61, sits in the Upper Bullens and said: "As I saw five numbers come up, I thought I was dreaming. When the sixth one appeared I nearly fell off my chair!"

Youngsters enjoy Goodison trip

Pictured here in the home dressing room at Goodison Park with Everton's Kit Manager, Jimmy Martin, are some of the children from the Down's Syndrome Association, Solihull Branch. The youngsters enjoyed a great day out in Liverpool recently, which culminated in a tour of the stadium. Beverley Finch, from the Solihull Branch, said: "The children loved their day in the Merseyside area but the stadium visit was the highlight. Most of them love football and it was lovely to see their faces when they walked into the Everton dressing room. I'd like to thank everyone at Everton for all their help."



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Phillip Broeders, Everton's Head of Partnerships, said: "This is another innovation for Everton. I'm not aware of any other Premiership club that has introduced this type of pint 'glass'."

Once a Blue ...

He started and finished his playing career for two different Evertons and he also turned out for tonight's opposition. ALAN JEWELL caught up with our former striker and winger, JIMMY HUSBAND

JIMMY Husband may be living near Luton but he will be firmly in the blue corner tonight.

The Geordie, who celebrated his 59th birthday on October 15, settled in Bedfordshire after his playing career ended in the late 1970s but remains, first and foremost, an Evertonian.

A skilful striker and winger, he played for the Blues between 1964 and 1973, moving on to Luton Town for his final years in English football before a spell in the North American Soccer League.

He was one of Everton's scorers when the Blues hammered Luton 5-1 in the League Cup in 1968 at Goodison, a game from which he has a permanent memento.

Husband recalled: "The pitch was as muddy as hell. Now it doesn't matter what time of the year it is, the pitches are like bowling greens. In the old days you could be playing on a skating rink, or something that was as dry as hell with three blades of grass sticking out, or it used to be a mudbath. It was a mudbath that night. I've got a fantastic photograph of myself with the Luton goalkeeper, Tony Read; he's spread out and I'm standing over him. He's covered in muck and all kinds and I'm relatively clean with a grin on my face."

He has affection for both clubs but Everton are always number one.

"I was at Luton for four years but I was at Everton for a lifetime. I met my wife, had a child. It's different. I came to Luton as a mature 27-year-old whereas with Everton I grew up there."

The scorer of 44 goals in 165 Everton appearances, his best season came in 1968/69 when he managed 19 in 36 league games, although he was also influential in the '69/70 championship team.

Since retiring he has run a pub and also

worked as a sales executive. In January he took voluntary redundancy after five years as a delivery driver for Parcellforce, although he considers himself "a bit young to retire".

He likes the "nice little villages, country pubs and restaurants" in mid-Beds. One of those tiny villages is called Everton and back in 1984 Husband played his final football games for their team after a group of locals approached him and suggested it would be appropriate if he turned out for them.

Husband readily agreed. "I didn't know the place existed but I had kept fit and they persuaded me to play a few games for them. That was the last time I played football but it seemed right to end at Everton as that's where I started my career."

The last time he was in Merseyside was for Brian Labone's funeral in May. "It was a sad day but a great send-off. Brian was a great mate of mine, even if I only saw him two or three times a year. I'm the president of Everton's Northamptonshire supporters' club and Brian and Gordon (West) used to come down to their annual do, and I'd see the two of them when I went up to Liverpool. It was a sad loss."

Husband is an occasional visitor at Kenilworth Road and Goodison Park. He has been pleased by Everton's start to the season but not surprised.

"They have a smaller squad than the top teams but they're very workmanlike and they all know their roles. It seems to me that Everton know exactly what they've got and how to play it. They play to that system superbly.

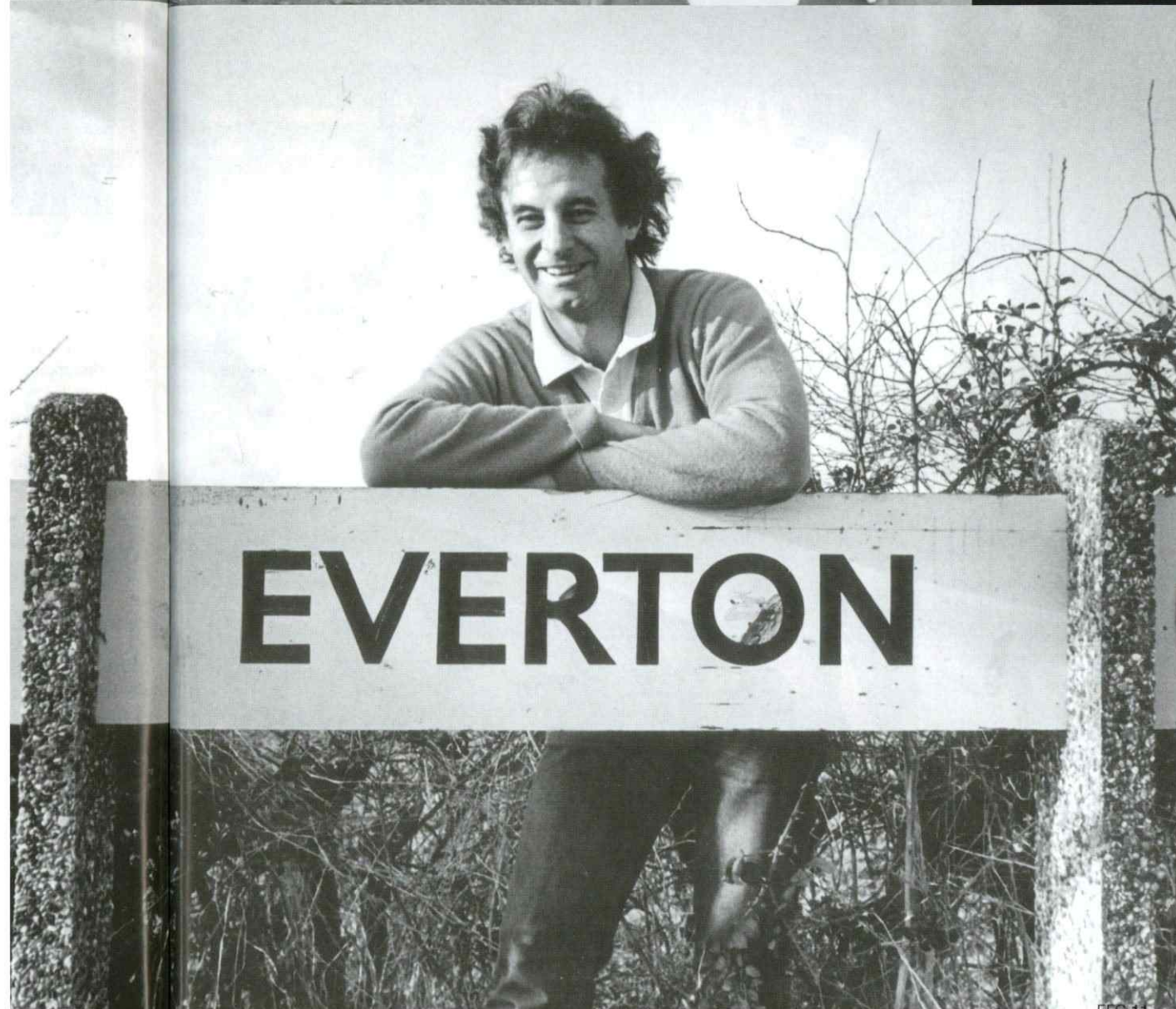
"Any team that's going to do any good needs a player who is going to pop you in at least 15 goals a season. Andy Johnson looks like he is well on his way there. You're not going to win anything without somebody who is going to do that. It looks like a good start for Everton."



Far Left:
Husband in his early days
for the Blues

Left:
Perm-tastic Jimmy!

Below:
Husband turned out for a
local team called Everton
in Bedfordshire



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JAMES McFADDEN

INTERVIEW

JAMMIES

Everton have made a fast start but James McFadden has been left in the blocks. He tells ALAN JEWELL how eager he is to catch up

It has been a contrasting start to the season for James McFadden with club and country. Before Saturday's game against Sheffield United, he had been restricted to just three substitute appearances for the Blues because of an untimely hamstring injury, which he picked up with the national team.

However, he has managed to feature in all four of Scotland's European Championship qualifiers, including the stunning victory over France at Hampden Park.

There's always the thought that out of sight can equate with out of mind but McFadden is determined to force his way back into a largely settled Everton team that has been functioning smoothly.

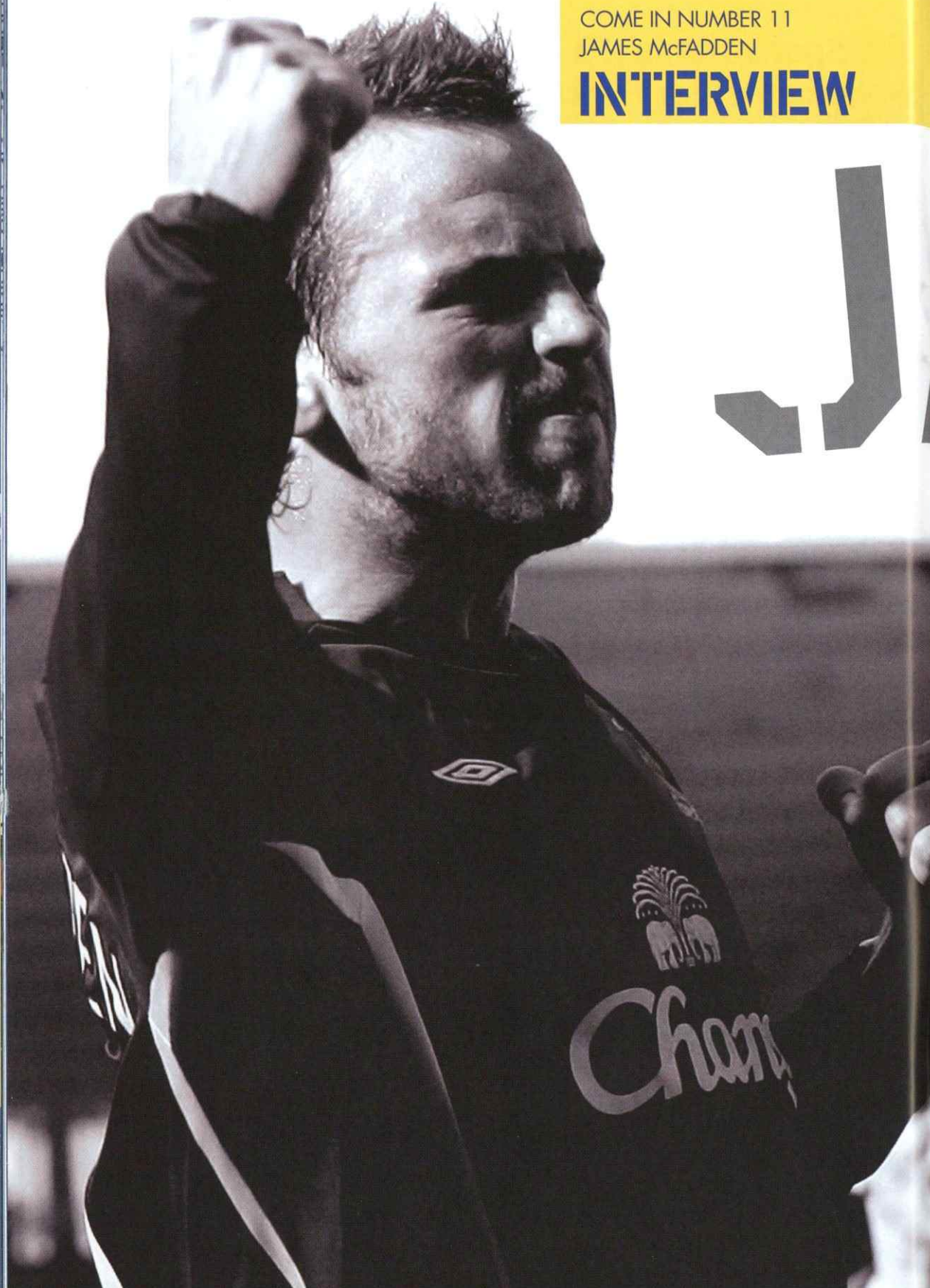
The injury occurred in

Lithuania at the start of September and he wasn't fit to play again until that France game. Buoyed by his experience there, he is desperate to build up his match fitness. It's an ongoing process. "I'm getting there," he told us. "The two games for Scotland helped me get a bit of match fitness and getting on at Middlesbrough helped. It's just a case of getting back into it. My hamstring feels fine, I just need to be training and playing."

He says watching Everton do so well has been both a blessing and a curse.

"It has been frustrating because of how well the team have started. It would have been nice to have been part of it but it's great that the team have been winning."

McFADDEN





For him, it has been especially galling because the second half of last season was the most creative and productive of his Everton career to date.

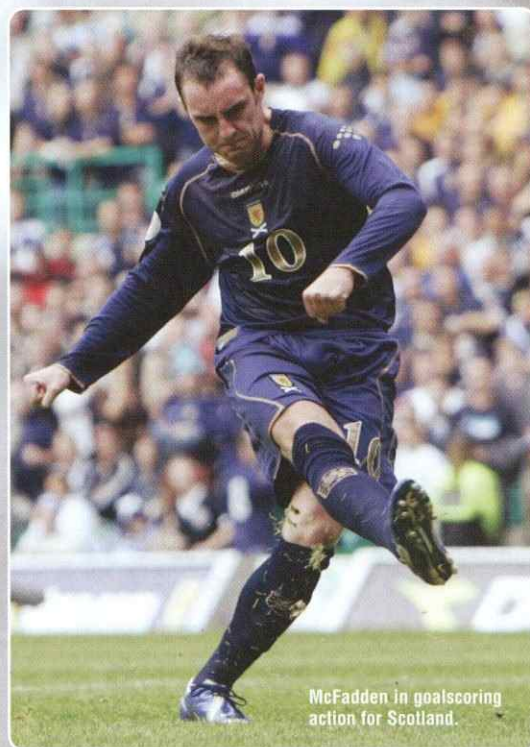
"Last year I really enjoyed the final part of the season, getting games and scoring goals. I was hoping to keep that going into this year but obviously I didn't start the season in the team. I was trying to force my way in but I got injured. These things happen but I am over it now and I want to be involved in the games coming up."

He knows that is easier said than done. It has been a long time since there was such a level of competitiveness within an Everton squad.

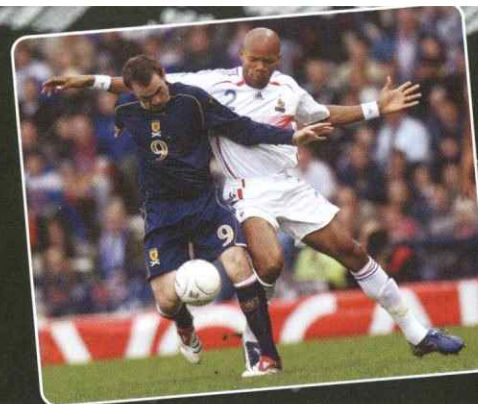
"We all want to be part of the team and when you get in, you have to make sure you stay part of the team. You know there is somebody waiting for their chance if you're not doing it. It's good competition and it's good for the team."

Defeat at Middlesbrough was the first of the season but McFadden is optimistic that progress has been checked rather than halted.

"The mood is still very positive. You're going to be beat sometime. I think if we'd played badly and got beat, that would have been a different story, but we played well. The confidence is still



McFadden in goalscoring action for Scotland.



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high."

Tonight attention turns to the Carling Cup. It was in this competition three years ago that McFadden made his first Everton start, a very impressive performance at home to Stockport County.

He now wants to be part of a Blues' team that finally makes a significant impact in the League Cup after 45 years of largely abysmal failure. However, there is no room for complacency if another let-down is to be avoided.

"It's been a good draw in terms of having a home tie but I don't think it's going to be an easy game. Luton did well last year in the Championship, they're a good side and we know it's going to be a tough game. They always are, no matter who you play in this cup. Hopefully, we can get through this, get another kind draw and go further in the competition than we have done in the past."

The Carling Cup may offer further opportunities to James Vaughan and Victor Anichebe. The latter was impressive at Peterborough in the previous round while the former is just finding his feet after 12 months ruined by injury. The pair are combining well in the reserve team and McFadden says they are not far away from progressing further.

"Vaughany and Victor have been training with us for a while now and it's not come as a surprise that they have come through and will try and force their way into the team. They're very talented young players. Vaughany is all-action, strong and quick. He doesn't stop running. Victor's strong and holds the ball up. They can both score goals and they've both got great potential. They are starting to realise some of that at the minute and are close to being involved."

McFadden's spirits would probably have been quite low if it wasn't for Scotland's form. Three wins and an unlucky defeat in Ukraine is an astonishing turnaround after a dismal period since the turn of the century.

"It was good because before the [France] game we weren't expected to do anything. We would have taken a point and that would have been a fantastic result. To actually get a win was unbelievable and to be part of it was special because it will always be remembered. We beat one of the best teams in the world, if not the best team. It's a result that will go down in history as far as Scotland are concerned.

"It's probably the biggest result of my career - no doubt about that actually. It was the best team in the world and we managed to humble them. We had to defend for the 90 minutes but we did that well and I felt we got what we deserved.

"We've got a tough double header coming up next, Georgia at home and Italy away, so if we can take three or four points from them, then we will be in good shape. It's positive for the Scotland camp as well as Everton."

He credits former Blues' manager Walter Smith with improving the mood north of the border after a strained and fractious time when Berti Vogts was in charge.

"It's really relaxed and composed and there's a good atmosphere amongst the squad of players. We know exactly what we're doing, we have a formation and when players come in and fit in, it works well for us. We work hard for each other. It just seems to be working. There seems to be more solidarity in the squad as well and all those factors have helped greatly in getting these results."

If Scotland can progress from a group featuring Italy, France and Ukraine it would be one of their greatest achievements. McFadden says the players will be giving it their best shot.

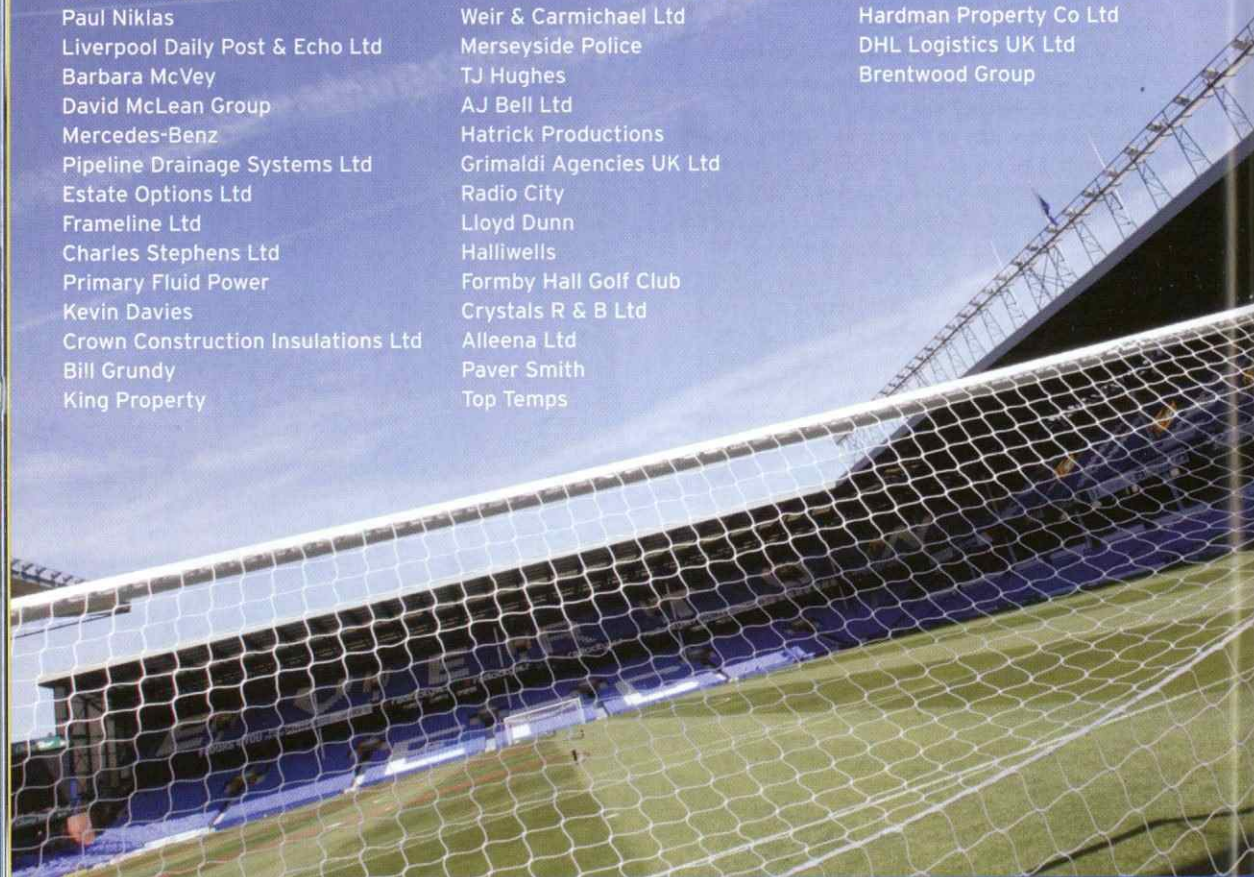
"We have the ability to beat teams, whether we can be consistently solid remains to be seen. It's going to be tough but it's a tough group for the other teams as well. They have to play against each other and they'll be dropping points. We need to win as many games as possible and get as many points as possible. If we get points against the big teams then you never know."

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St Helens star and proud Blues fan James Graham is one of a number of exclusive interviews in the latest edition of The Evertonian . . .

ST HELENS rugby league ace James Graham completed a memorable season when he helped his side to victory in the Grand Final 10 days ago.

The 21-year-old prop had already helped Saints to Challenge Cup glory, became the first Scouser to play for Great Britain and also captained the Knowsley Road side.

But one of his best days in recent months came on September 9, when Everton defeated Liverpool 3-0 to win the Merseyside derby.

James told us all about his Blue passion when we took him to his beloved Goodison for an exclusive photoshoot.

Elsewhere in the magazine, midfield maestro Lee Carsley talks exclusively about his Everton career. He explains why he wishes he had put pen to paper at Goodison a decade ago when Howard Kendall was interested in bringing him to the club from Derby County. He also reveals why he believes the current squad is the best the Blues have had in his time on Merseyside and reveals that last month's win over Liverpool meant more to him than the 1-0 success in the 'Carsley Derby' of December 2004.

The Evertonian also hears from Tim Cahill about the World Cup story that almost didn't happen, discover more about Elton Welsby's new Goodison role, revisit the derby in detail and join Andy Johnson on a trip to the circus!

We also hear the views of manager David Moyes and assistant Alan Irvine in their exclusive columns.

Last month saw the Blues reach 200 goals under Moyes's management and we look back at our favourites as we select our top 20.



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HISTORY OF THE FIXTURE

LIKE their geographic neighbours Watford, we have played relatively few games against Luton, but the contests have been memorable and full of incident.

We first encountered the Hatters in 1933 on the way to our first FA Cup final victory at Wembley, and we hammered the Third Division side by 6-0 at Goodison in the quarter-final in front of 55,000. We had to wait for our relegation in 1951 for our first league meeting and it was historic for all the wrong reasons – a 1-1 draw sent us to the depths of 19th in Division Two, our lowest position ever.

We played Luton regularly during the 1950s but they were forgettable affairs – apart from their keeper Ron Baynham putting through his own net in the last minute in December 1959 for the only goal of the game. Luton went back down in 1960 and our only match, until their re-appearance for one season only in Division One in 1974/75, was a 5-0 thrashing by the Toffees at Goodison in the League Cup in September 1968.

Luton were promoted under David Pleat in 1982 and we welcomed them by scoring five goals in both league matches, the last time the Blues have achieved this feat in the top-flight. A 5-0 win at Goodison was memorable for a tremendous performance by the on-loan Terry Curran whilst at Kenilworth Road in the penultimate game of the season we ran out 5-1 victors after trailing 1-0.

The following season we won 3-0 at Luton with Mal Donaghy sent off. Season 1984/85 was memorable for that dramatic semi-final at Villa Park, and the following campaign saw us again dump Luton out of the FA Cup. We were two goals down in the quarter-final until we drew level thanks to a Mal Donaghy own goal and a strike from sub Adrian Heath.

The replay in front of 44,000 at Goodison was decided by a Gary Lineker lob. But the next week we lost 2-1 in the league on the plastic pitch at Kenilworth Road, a defeat equally damaging as the one at Oxford later on.

There was a better tale in the league in 1986/87, as we lifted the crown here following a 3-1 win over Luton, thanks largely to two Trevor Steven spot-kicks. After defeating Luton again in the League Cup here in 1989 by 3-0, they stayed in the top flight until 1992. There were two memorable moments in that time: Tony Cottee's goal in May 1991 was the last in front of a standing Gwladys Street end and a clash of colours meant we wore their orange away kit at Kenilworth Road six months later!



Luton Town on our turf



After romping to the League One title with a record points tally in 2004-05, Luton consolidated in the Championship with a top 10 finish last term.

They made a fantastic start to 2005/06 but were unable to sustain their form. This season, they are again in the top half of the table having made a solid start. An opening day win over

Leicester City at Kenilworth Road was followed by an away win at Sheffield Wednesday as the Hatters kicked off in style.

The next three games didn't go quite as well as away defeats at Norwich City and Wolves book-ended a home draw with Stoke City, but progress was made in the Carling Cup with a penalty shoot-out win at Bristol Rovers following a 1-1 draw.

September started well with a 2-1 defeat of Crystal Palace but

Colchester United managed to hold Mike Newell's men to a 1-1 draw three days later. Early pacesetters Cardiff City inflicted a 4-1 defeat on the Hatters at Ninian Park before Brentford were seen off in the second round of the Carling Cup as Town recorded a 3-0 win at Griffin Park.

A busy month was completed with a 2-2 home draw with West Brom and a 2-1 win at Barnsley sealed by an injury-time header from Ahmet Brkovic.

Newell described the 3-2 home defeat of Birmingham on October 14 as among the best achieved during his time in charge and Everton's players should perhaps take heed of his comment that "We always score goals...and when we do score them we very often go 'bang-bang'."

They have the potential to cause cup shocks and came very close to knocking Liverpool out of the FA Cup in a thrilling third round tie last January, having led 3-1 with 25 minutes left. The Blues must avoid complacency tonight.

Veteran stopper: Marlon Beresford

Luton Town on our turf



CARLOS EDWARDS

The BIRTHDAY BOY

Trinidad and Tobago international midfielder, who celebrates his 28th birthday today, Carlos was a member of the Soca Warriors' squad who did so well in Germany in the summer. He became the first Luton player to play in the World Cup finals since Mal Donaghy starred for Northern Ireland in Spain in 1982. Edwards spent five seasons with Wrexham, who he helped to the LDV Vans Trophy in 2005, before making the switch to Luton at the start of last season. Manager Mike Newell had tracked him for some time and tried to sign him during his time in charge of Hartlepool United.



ROWAN VINE

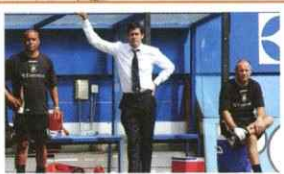
The LEADING MARKSMAN

Basingstoke-born striker who initially joined Town on a three-month loan deal from Portsmouth on the eve of the 2004-05 season after previous loan spells with Brentford and Colchester. His deal with Luton was subsequently extended for the whole season and he went on to play a key role as the Hatters won the League One title before being rewarded with a three-year contract at Kenilworth Road. He hit double figures last season and has started this season with a flourish, netting eight goals in 13 appearances.

The RISING STAR

KEVIN FOLEY

Foley is a talented full-back who has come through the junior ranks at Kenilworth Road. He made his debut for the Hatters in October 2002 and has since gone on to make well over 100 appearances for the club. A Republic of Ireland Under-21 regular, he scored his first international goal in the summer of 2006 in a two-legged UEFA U-21 European Championship preliminary round match against Azerbaijan. His performances in that game prompted Steve Staunton, the Republic of Ireland manager, to call him up to the senior game and Foley was named as a substitute in a friendly international against Chile. He was also part of the squad for the recent European Championship qualifiers against Cyprus and the Czech Republic.



The GAFFER

MIKE NEWELL

After a successful playing career which included a two-year spell with the Blues, scouser Newell was given his managerial chance at the end of November 2002 at Hartlepool. Newell had previously been a reserve coach at Doncaster and reserve team boss at Tranmere Rovers before joining Hartlepool but despite guiding the Victoria Park club to runners-up spot in Division Three and automatic promotion, his contract was not renewed. He was not out of the game for long as he topped an unprecedented vote to become Luton's new manager on June 22, 2003, beating off competition from Joe Kinnear and Steve Cotterill. After taking his UEFA coaching badges, he duly took Luton forward - guiding them to the Coca Cola League One title and promotion to the Championship with a record points total.

MARKUS HEIKKINEN

The STOPPER

Finnish international now in his second season with the club, Heikkinen was snapped up from Scottish Premier League side Aberdeen in the summer of 2005 and has enjoyed a solid start to his Hatters career. Also able to play in midfield, Heikkinen - who was actually born in Sweden - had a short spell with Portsmouth before his move north of the border.



EVERTON V LUTON TOWN STATS

Playing Record	P	W	D	L	F	A
1st Division	32	15	5	12	48	35
2nd Division	6	1	3	2	8	11
FA CUP	4	3	1	0	11	3
League Cup	2	2	0	0	8	1
Simod Cup	1	0	0	1	1	2
Total	45	21	9	15	76	52

Biggest victories
 Everton 6 Luton 0 3-Mar-1933 (FAC)
 Luton have never beaten Everton by more than two goals

Latest Draw
 Everton 1 Luton 1 14-Mar-1992

Latest Hat-tricks
 No hat-tricks for either team

Latest Dismissals
 No Everton player dismissed
 Mick Harford Luton 26-Dec-1987

Most goals for Everton
 Adrian Heath 7

LUTON TOWN ROLL CALL

PLAYER	DOB	Birthplace	Lt Apps	Lt Gls
Marlon Beresford	02-09-69	Lincoln	13	0
Kevin Foley	01-11-84	Luton	11(2)	0
Sol Davis	04-09-79	Cheltenham	10(1)	0
Chris Coyne	28-12-78	Brisbane	2(3)	0
Russell Perrett	18-06-73	Barton-on-Sea	0	0
Paul Underwood	16-08-73	Wimbledon	0	0
Carlos Edwards	24-10-78	Port of Spain	12(1)	3
Steve Robinson	10-12-74	Lisburn	10	0
Rowan Vine	21-09-82	Basingstoke	11(2)	8
Warren Feeney	17-01-81	Belfast	7(2)	1
Dean Morgan	03-10-83	Enfield	5(5)	2
Michael Leary	17-04-83	Ealing	0	0
Stephen O'Leary	02-02-85	Barnet	3	0
Lewis Emanuel	04-10-83	Bradford	11	1
Richard Langley	27-12-79	Jamaica	10(1)	1
Ahmet Brkovic	23-09-74	Dubrovnik	2(2)	1
Sam Parkin	14-03-81	Roehampton	6(1)	1
Adam Boyd	25-05-82	Hartlepool	2(3)	1
Keith Keane	20-11-86	Luton	2	0
Danny Stevens	26-11-86	Enfield	0	0
Leon Barnett	30-11-85	Stevenage	13	2
Markus Heikkinen	13-10-78	Katrineholm	10	0
Peter Holmes	18-11-80	Bishop Auckland	3	0
David Bell	21-01-84	Kettering	3	1
Calvin Andrew	19-12-86	Luton	0	0
Dean Brill	02-12-85	Luton	0	0
Zac Barrett	25-06-88		0	0
Chris Pendleton	04-12-87		0	0

PLAYED FOR BOTH CLUBS

Richard Williams	George Cummins	Andy King
Tom McInnes	Matt Woods	Colin Todd
John Palmer	Alec Alnsworth	Imre Varadi
Jimmy Miller	John Bramwell	Alan Harper
Hugh Moffatt	Billy Bingham	Paul Wilkinson
George Martin	Bruce Rioch	Mike Newell
Archie Clark	Jimmy Husband	Mark Pembridge
George Turner	David Lawson	Matt Jackson

Timeline

1880s

In April 1885, leading local clubs Wanderers and Excelsior merge at a meeting in Luton Town Hall and Luton Town is born. Founder members of the Southern League in 1894, they were the first professional football club in the south of England. In 1897, the club is elected to Division Two of the Football League.

1900 - 1920s

Resign from the Football League in 1900 to re-join the Southern League. They move from Dunstable Road to Kenilworth Road in 1905. After the hostilities of the First World War ceased, the Southern League, en bloc, was asked to form a new Division Three of the Football League and Town spent 17 seasons at this level.

1930s

In 1936, they finished runners-up to Coventry in the days when only one side was promoted. Joe Payne made his debut during this season and re-wrote the record books by scoring 10 goals in a 12-0 victory over Bristol Rovers. The following season, he scored 55 goals as Luton secured promotion to Division Two.

1950s

Promotion to Division One is secured in 1954/55 when Town see off strong challenges from Birmingham and Rotherham to clinch runners-up spot on goal average. In 1958/59, the Hatters reach the FA Cup final but are beaten 2-1 by 10-man Nottingham Forest in the final at Wembley.

1960s

From that moment on, the Hatters' fortunes went into a steady decline. A poor 1959-60 season saw them finish bottom and relegated after five years at the top. Things went from bad to worse and by 1965, Town were in the Fourth Division - just six years after their FA Cup final appearance. The recovery began with promotion in 1967-68 but the sacking of Allan Brown shocked the football world.

1970s

Under Alec Stock, Town won promotion back to Division Two in 1970, aided by the goalscoring exploits of a £17,500 signing from Fulham, Malcolm Macdonald. In 1973/74 promotion was achieved and the Hatters were back in the top-flight but the yo-yoing continued with immediate relegation. In 1978, manager Harry Haslam left for Sheffield United and was replaced by David Pleat.

1980s

After a couple of near misses, a return to Division One was secured in 1982. In 1985, Town reached the FA Cup semi-finals but were beaten by Howard Kendall's Blues. An artificial pitch was installed in the same year. In 1988 they won their first major trophy, overcoming Arsenal 3-2 to win the Littlewoods Cup. They lost in the final of the same competition to Notts Forest 12 months later.

1990-2000s

They were relegated to the football basement as the club's fortunes dived, even enduring two periods in the hands of receivers. The appointment of Mike Newell as manager in 2003 breathed new life into the club and promotion from League One was secured in 2005 as Luton amassed 98 points and finished 12 points clear of their nearest rivals Hull City.

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10 things you didn't know about...

When Luton Town meet Stockport County, this is known as 'The Hatters' derby due to both team sharing the nickname.



How much...?

In 2003, an Office of Fair Trading study identified Luton Airport as having the highest daytime fare for a two-mile taxi journey in the UK.



Luton actively participates in town twinning and has been linked with three German towns since 1956. These are Bergisch Gladbach, Spandau and Wolfsburg.

Soo true

Luton Town's Frank Soo was the first non-white person to play for England in 1945.



Hats off to Luton...

The agriculture base of the town changed in the 16th century when brickmaking became the main industry and, in the 17th century, when the hat-making began. By the 18th century the hatmaking industry, especially straw hat manufacture, dominated the town as its only significant industry. Hats are still produced in the town on a smaller scale.



Famous fans . . .

Famous people from Luton include England's cricketing cult hero Monty Panesar and singer Paul Young, whose number one debut single ironically had a hat theme.



Bob Morton holds the Luton Town record for most league appearances, making 494 between 1948 and 1964.



End of the road for Vauxhall

In 2000, Vauxhall announced the end of car production in Luton; the plant closed in March 2002. At its peak it had employed around 35,000 people.

WELCOME BACK
MIKE NEWELL

Back for glory

Last time around he was the man responsible for putting Luton out of this competition. Now Mike Newell is delighted to be returning to Goodison in a bid to reverse history by knocking out the 'best club he ever played for'

As featured in the Golden Vision section of this programme, the last time Everton and Luton met in this competition, Mike Newell was the Blues' matchwinner with two goals in a 3-0 win.

He is back tonight as the Hatters' manager, seeking to reverse the outcome from 1989.

Newell, who was brought up in Woolton and retains a family home on Merseyside, spent just over two years at Goodison from '89-91.

He made a fast start to his Everton career with nine goals in 13 games but injury and loss of form lessened his influence thereafter.

However, he thoroughly enjoyed his time at the club and was delighted when the draw brought him back. It offered him the opportunity to tell his young sons about his past exploits.

Newell explained: "When I was sat with the boys, I said 'Eh, guess what happened the last time Luton went to Everton in the cup?'"

"To pull Everton out this year is fantastic. It will be nice to go back there. I went as a player with Blackburn but, apart from to watch games, it will be the first time since. It will be one to look forward to for me."

Brought up a Liverpool supporter, Newell didn't hesitate when he was offered the opportunity to sign for Everton 17 years ago.

"Colin Harvey rang me up and he said: 'Do you want to play for Everton?' I said: 'I'll be up there in about an hour'. Honest to God, I said I'd love to play for Everton Football Club.

"It was without doubt the biggest club I played for. We had more success at Blackburn but Everton was a massive club."

Reluctantly, Newell left the Blues for Ewood

Park in November 1991 after accepting that his chances of winning a regular first team place were limited. He was part of a Premiership-winning squad at Blackburn in 1995 but regrets he did not achieve on the same scale at Goodison.

"It would have been lovely to enjoy the same sort of success I enjoyed at Blackburn at Everton. It's still the best club I played for and I still get a great feeling when I go back there. There's nothing like the place when it's full and bouncing."

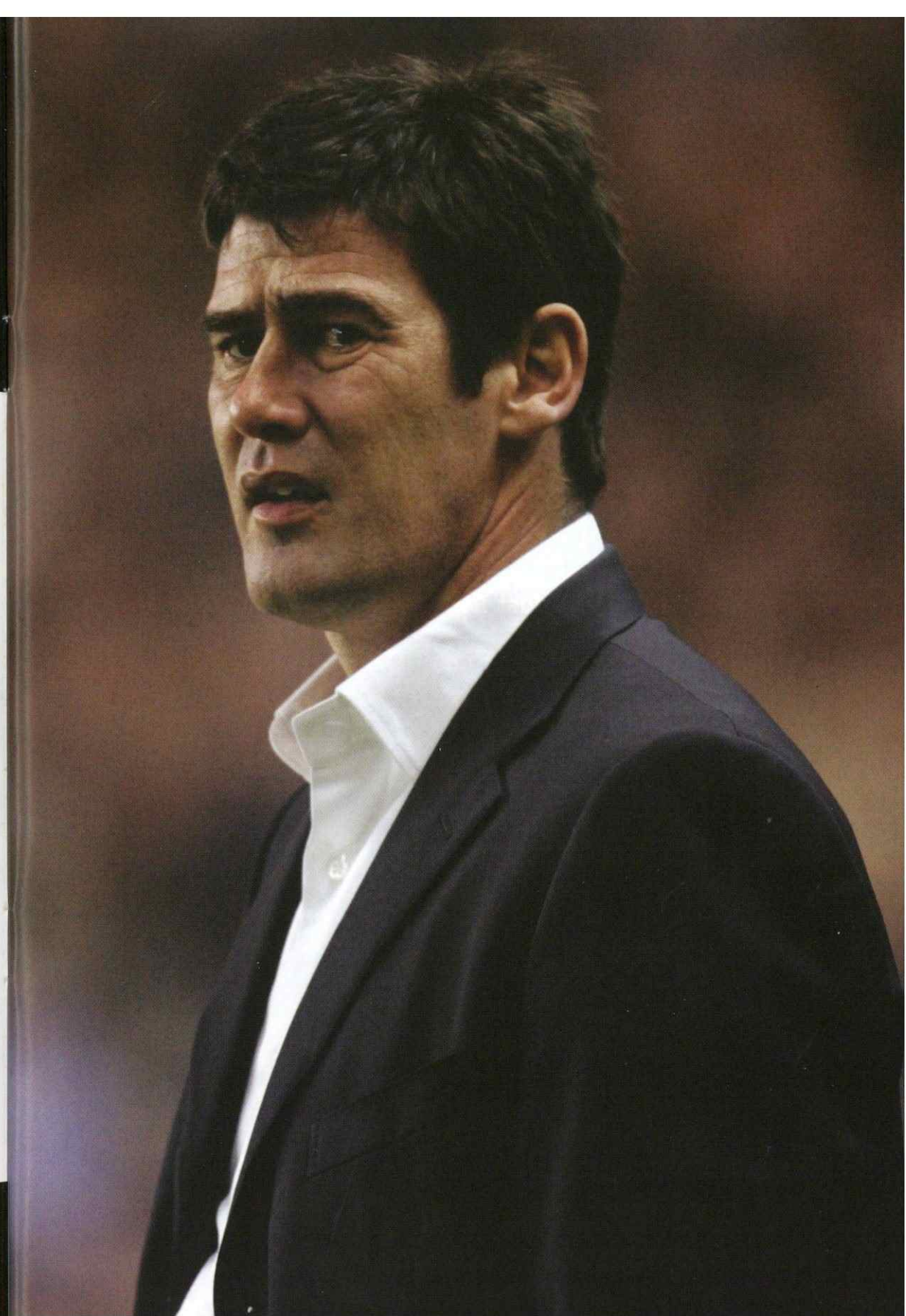
Newell has been in the headlines recently because of matters away from the football field. His comments about the amounts of money agents are making from the sport, while also alleging that illegal payments were going on, were the catalyst for an ongoing official investigation into transfers involving Premiership clubs.

He wasn't expecting to cause such a stir but has no regrets about speaking out.

"Once the original fuss had died down, I didn't regret anything I'd said. I thought 'I'm going to stand by that and until somebody proves me wrong, I'll dig my heels in.' I know I'm right so I'm not worried one little bit.

"Anybody who has got nothing to hide has been fine. I'm not really bothered if I've upset anybody because I've got nothing to hide, I'm just voicing my opinion and I'm entitled to that. If anybody wants to fall out with me or blank me I'm not really that bothered.

"If you get frustrated about it and you let it build up and build up and say nothing, I'm not being true to myself, am I?"



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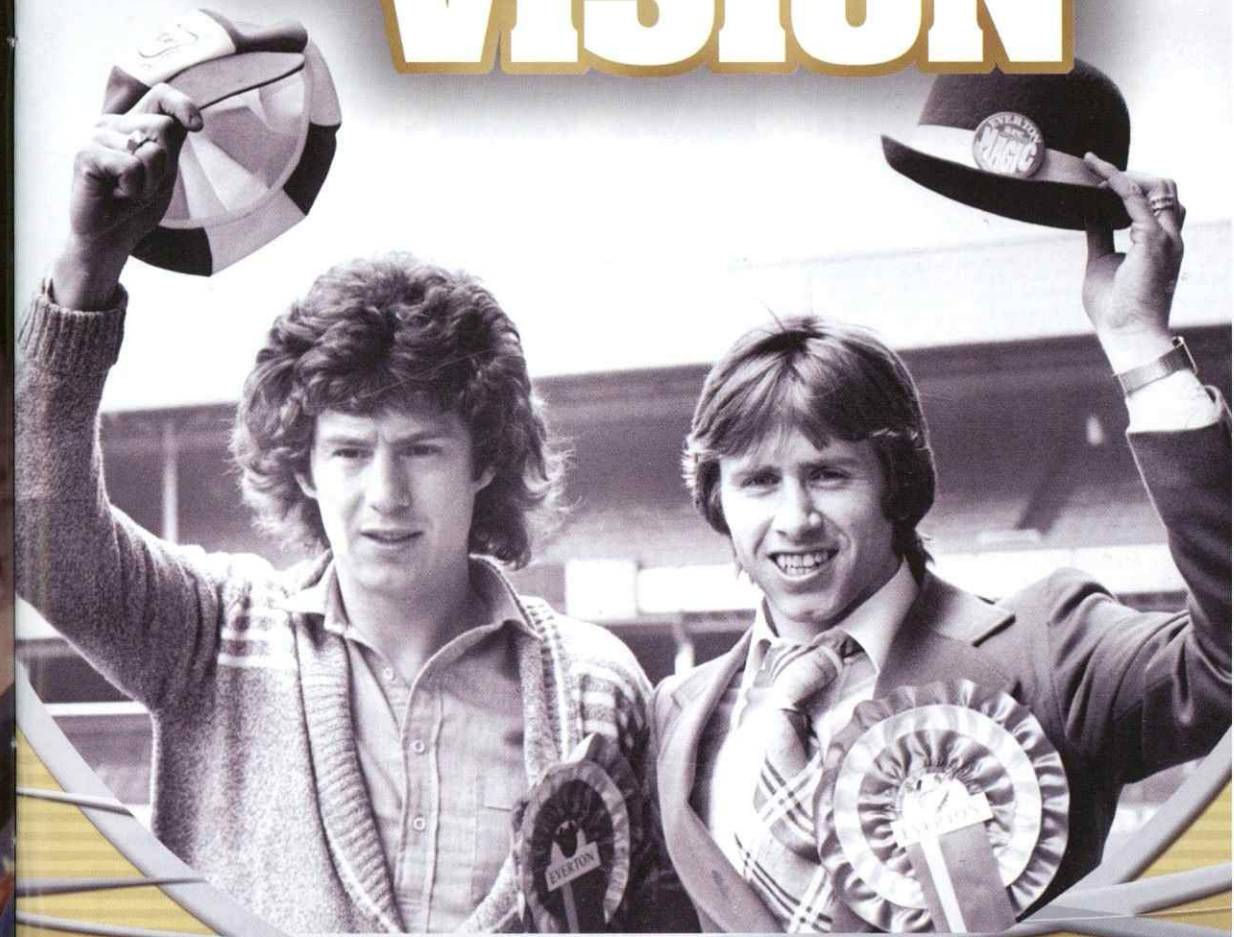
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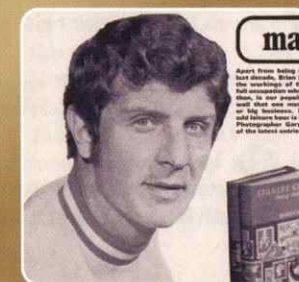
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Where to find Tommy Lawton's ashes

Captain's LOG

CONTINUING our series in which we look back at Everton's leaders and reveal the list of the club's skippers, we focus on Hunter Hart and carry the names of those to have served as club captain between 1922-27 and 1929-30.

6. Hunter Hart

(1922-1930,
301 appearances, 5 goals)

Glasgow-born Hart joined Everton from Airdrie for £4,000 in 1922. He overcame adversity to enjoy a career at the top as he lost an eye in a childhood accident.

He made most of his Everton appearances at left-half but switched to the centre of defence towards the end of his career. He was a regular in the 1927-28 Championship winning team, missing just one game but, as the team slipped towards relegation two years later, Hart was forced to retire just after Christmas.

He had two spells as captain, either side of Warney Cresswell's stint in the role. His first period as captain came between 1922 and 1927 and his second from 1929 until his retirement in 1930.

After hanging up his boots, he took on a role as club coach.

Club captains 1920-1930

Dickie Downs	1920 - 1921
John McDonald	1921 - 1922
Hunter Hart	1922 - 1927
Warney Cresswell	1927 - 1929
Hunter Hart	1929 - 1930

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Classic Encounter



Newell is head boy

October 24, 1989, Littlewoods Cup third round: Everton 3, Luton Town 0

Two goals from Mike Newell sent Luton tumbling out of the Littlewoods Cup, ending their hopes of a third consecutive final appearance in the competition.

It took his tally to nine goals in 13 appearances since signing for the Blues – both headers past former Everton goalkeeper Alec Chamberlain.

Neil McDonald crossed for the first and Pat Nevin created his second goal as Newell punished the club he played for between 1986-87 (and would later manage, of course).

Nevin completed the scoring with a low shot across Chamberlain five minutes before the end.

The picture shown here isn't actually of one of Newell's goals. Chamberlain saved this attempt to prevent Newell from scoring a hat-trick of headers.

Where are they now?

1 Marvin Johnson
Represented the Hatters for 15 years and played in every division of the Football League in that time. A central

defender who could also play at left-back and in midfield, he is a very popular figure amongst the club's supporters. He finished playing in 2002 and moved onto the coaching staff. He now coaches Luton's youth team and the reserves.

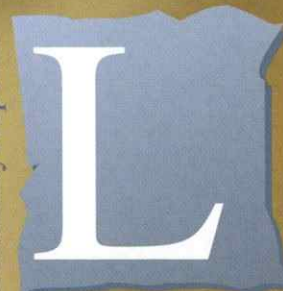
2 David Beaumont
A central defender who played on 91 occasions for Luton between 1988-90, he had signed from Dundee United. Born in Edinburgh, he was part of the Scotland squad that won the European Under-18s Championship in 1982 – which remains the Scot's only success in a UEFA or FIFA international tournament. Beaumont signed for Hibs after leaving Luton and once his playing career was over he joined the police force.

He didn't give up on the sport altogether, though, and turned out for the British Police Football team.

3 Graeme Sharp
He came on a substitute in this game, replacing Tony Cottee for the final 15 minutes. Left the Blues after over ten years at the club in 1991 but remains a Goodison fixture, acting as the fans' liaison officer. One of the Century FM legends who host a football phone-in every weeknight.

4 Mike Newell
It's fair to say that Mike's Everton career went downhill from this point as injury and loss of form compromised his effectiveness after a brilliant start. He joined Blackburn in 1991 where he won a Premiership winners' medal in 1995 (one of only two scousers to have achieved the feat). A Luton player from 1986-87, he returned to Kenilworth Road as the club's manager in 2003, leading them into the Championship in his second season in charge. His comments about the money-making activities of agents have recently put him in the spotlight.

5 Tim Breaker
Voted runner-up in a poll to find Luton's best right-back, Breaker also played for QPR and was assistant manager there to the loquacious Ian Holloway until they were all placed on gardening leave in January. At the end of last month he linked up again with Holloway, who is now in charge at Plymouth Argyle.



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League Cup

Our record in this competition, under its different sponsors, is patchy to say the least. We first appeared in its inaugural season in 1960/61, when we reached the 5th Round only to be knocked out at Shrewsbury, 2-1, with Alex Young scoring his first goal for the club. Everton, like other clubs, then ignored it for several years. In 1971/72, we lost 2-1 at Southampton on September 7, 1971. The significance of the date? It was Brian Labone's final game in a Blue shirt.

Like our league form, the early to mid-70s were not exactly a golden period. We failed to impose ourselves on the League Cup until 1976/77, when we lost to Aston Villa after a second replay at Old Trafford, the only time a domestic final has gone to three games.

We again failed to do ourselves justice until 1983/84. After scraping through against Chesterfield, Coventry, West Ham and Oxford, we then faced our Nemesis from seven years earlier, Aston Villa, in the semis. This time, with a bit of good fortune, we ran out 2-1 victors on aggregate to set up the first all-Merseyside showdown at Wembley. A rousing goalless game was followed by an equally hard-fought one at Maine Road, when our narrow 1-0 defeat showed everyone we were a force again.

The rest of the 1980s were a mixed bag, getting to the semi-finals in 1988 only to lose to Arsenal, after overcoming Liverpool 1-0 at Anfield in one of our finest derby match performances. Gary Stevens' late goal was the reward for a dominant display.

Since then the highlights, in truth, have been few and far between. Let's hope our luck changes this season.

Sign please!

Tommy Wright (left), second team trainer Gordon Watson (centre) and Dennis Stevens (right) are swamped by autograph hunters outside Goodison Park as they prepare to board a coach in 1965. The squad were due to stay in Blackpool although the trio would have the pick of the seats as the rest of the players were due to be picked up en route through Maghull and Ormskirk.



Hats off to the new boys

Everton's new signings Brian Kidd (left) and Peter Eastoe (right) in happy mood at Goodison Park in March 1979. Not sure about Kiddo's cardy, while Eastoe appears to have gone for an extra large rosette to distract us from his silly hat, which has a touch of the Juliet Bravos about it.

Fore!

Former Luton Town favourite Andy King (back) and caddy John Bailey (front) appear bemused at the WPGA Caidy Classic in October 1983.



The life of a footballer is never confined to events on the pitch. In the course of their duties, the boys in Blue have been obliged to pose for all manner of photographs. Here we take a light-hearted look back at some of the moments which were caught on camera.

Good to be back

All smiles at Bellefield as 'Our Teh', Mr Curran, looking like he'd just stepped off the Brookside set, rejoins his Everton team-mates in September 1983. Left to right: John Bailey, Trevor Steven, Adrian Heath, Jim Arnold, Mark Higgins, Alan Harper, Terry Curran.



Oi, cloth ears...

An injured and very forlorn looking Adrian Heath (left) attempts to keep dry as the Everton bench look on during the FA Cup third-round tie at Leeds United in January 1985.



Everton

Date: April 11, 1964
Where: Goodison Park
Opponents: Wolves
Who: Dennis Stevens

What happened next?

This screaming shot from an out of focus Dennis Stevens is flying past Wolves goalkeeper Davies to give Everton the lead after six minutes of the game. It was an entertaining afternoon which finished 3-3 with the Blues' other scorers being Fred Pickering and Derek Temple.

Just how good was Dennis Stevens?

Not one of the most celebrated of past Evertonians but anyone who saw him play will testify to his importance. A midfielder who switched to wing-half in 1964, he was an ever-present in the 1962/63 championship-winning team.



What else happened in 1964?

Nelson Mandela was sentenced to life imprisonment in South Africa and sent to Robben Island prison, the last executions took place in the UK and Harold Wilson was elected Prime Minister.

Perfect 10

Keep sending us the 10 best Everton players you have seen in your time watching the Blues. Dave Abrahams, of Liverpool, is the latest to take up the challenge.



- Neville Southall** – Would be in the top three goalkeepers in any era.
- T.G. Jones** – Welsh international centre-half, immaculate passer and reader of the game.
- Roy Vernon** – Terrific shot in either foot that could win any game – good motivator.
- Bobby Collins** – Great tackler, passer and another motivator – letting him go was one of Harry Catterick's few mistakes.
- Ray Wilson** – Great tackler who out-thought his wingers – World Cup winner plus FA Cup winner in same season.
- Johnny Morrissey snr** – Another great tackler, passer, one of the most under-rated Everton players of all time.
- Peter Reid** – A slow mover whose brain was yards faster than most players on the park.
- Wayne Rooney** – Outstanding at 16, the best player I've seen in a blue shirt. Just a pity we couldn't keep him.
- Tony Kay** – What a great player he would have been for Everton but for his indiscretions at Sheffield Wednesday.
- Davie Hickson** – The only idol I ever had in football. A great Evertonian who gave us no less than 100% in EVERY game he played for Everton.

We want YOU to send us your Perfect 10. All we want is 10 names each supported by a sentence summing up your admiration for that personal hero. Send your list to: Everton Perfect 10, EFC Matchday Programme, PO Box 48, Old Hall Street, Liverpool L69 3EB or email: efcprogramme@sportmedia-tm.com.

The 'man at work, man at home' series from 1970/71 featured Brian Labone in the Crystal Palace programme in September 1970. Apparently, Labby was a keen stamp collector.



man at home

Apart from being a highly successful footballer over the last decade, Brian Labone has also found time to adjust to the workings of the family business which is to be his full occupation when he retires from the game. A busy man, then, is our popular centre half, but he knows only too well that one must relax from the strains of big sport or big business. Brian's favourite way of spending an odd leisure hour is to build his impressive stamp collection. Photographer Gary Talbot pictured Brian studying some of the latest entries.



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A classic Umbro advert from the 1980s. Remember the white kit? Did we ever wear it? And just what was up with the poor bloke whose head was cut off the picture? Too tall or just too

New FACT FILE

No. 17 TREVOR STEVEN

If you were a manager and money was no object, which player would you buy – and why? Roy Race – always in the right place at the right time.

If you were given the choice of watching football, other than at Everton, where would you go? Real Madrid or Napoli.

Which group of sports people do you most admire for dedication, courage and skill? Rugby League players – all blood and guts with no shortage of skill.

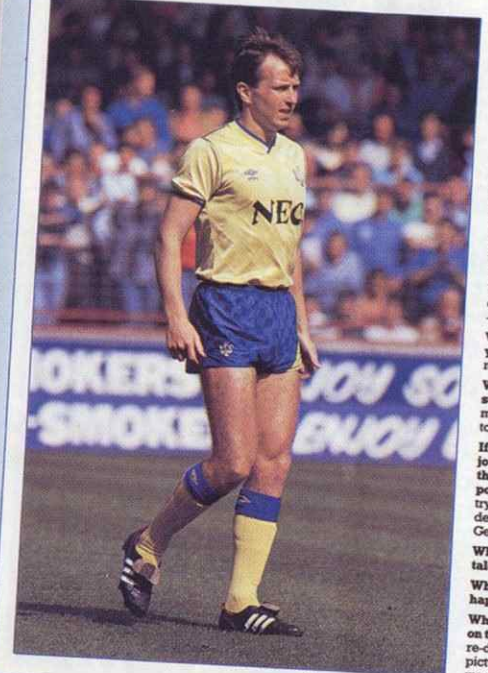
Which sports event, anywhere in the world, would you most like to see? The Kevin Sheedy-Ian Snodin boxing match – the biggest mismatch since Ali and Dunne.

Which sports personality would you travel anywhere to watch? Probably Maradona. I'm sure the crowds in Napoli have enjoyed watching him.

Which sports, other than football, do you enjoy on TV? Sheep-dog trials.

If you were to host a Terry Wogan-type chat show, which three guests would you most like to invite? Bernard Manning, Steve Martin and Wayne Clarke – three funny fellows.

If you could change places with a film star, who would it be and who would you have as your leading lady? Clark Gable and Rachel Ward.



If you were given a large sum of money to help others, which charity would you choose? At the moment, I'd give it all to the starving in Africa.

If you had lots of cash to spend on yourself and family, what would you buy? I'd set up a family business – in what I don't know.

Which three possessions would you take with you to a desert island? My wife, Karen, baby, Holly and some toys to keep Holly occupied!

If you could be a fly on the wall, where would you most like to eavesdrop? I'd like to know what Gorbachyov and Reagan said to each other in their nuclear arms talks.

What's the silliest thing you have done in your life? I can't remember – I am overdue to do something daft!

What don't you like about yourself? Too easy-going – too nice!

What would your specialist subject be on Mastermind? The many ways of putting off jobs until tomorrow.

If you were to become a sports journalist, how would you change the coverage of football in the popular papers? I would definitely try to be more accurate in describing events in the game. Getting names correct, for instance.

What, if anything, is your hidden talent? I haven't found it yet.

What type of clothes do you feel happiest in? Swimming trunks!

What type of pictures do you hang on the walls in your home? I've just re-decorated and I need new pictures. They would be old, wooden-framed scenic ones. I think.

RE-PROGRAMMED

Flick through an old match programme and you're guaranteed to find plenty of interesting material, and lots to laugh at. We're going to be doing just that throughout the season...

A few funny answers in this Trevor Steven factfile from 1987/88. Asked which sports event, anywhere in the world, he would like to see, Trev replied: "The Kevin Sheedy-Ian Snodin boxing match – the biggest mismatch since Ali and Dunne." Maybe, but who was the no-hoper? He also claimed to enjoy sheep-dog trials on TV. Further down he was asked 'If you were to become a sports journalist, how would you change the coverage of football in the popular papers?' To which he replied: "I would definitely try to be more accurate in describing events in the game. Getting names correct, for instance." It would be remiss of us to mention Trevor's appearance as a pundit on ITV last year for Everton-Villarreal when he repeatedly referred to Marcus Bent as "Darren Bent". So we won't!



Golden Vision

Rising tension

These fans are looking concerned at Goodison in the mid-1990s



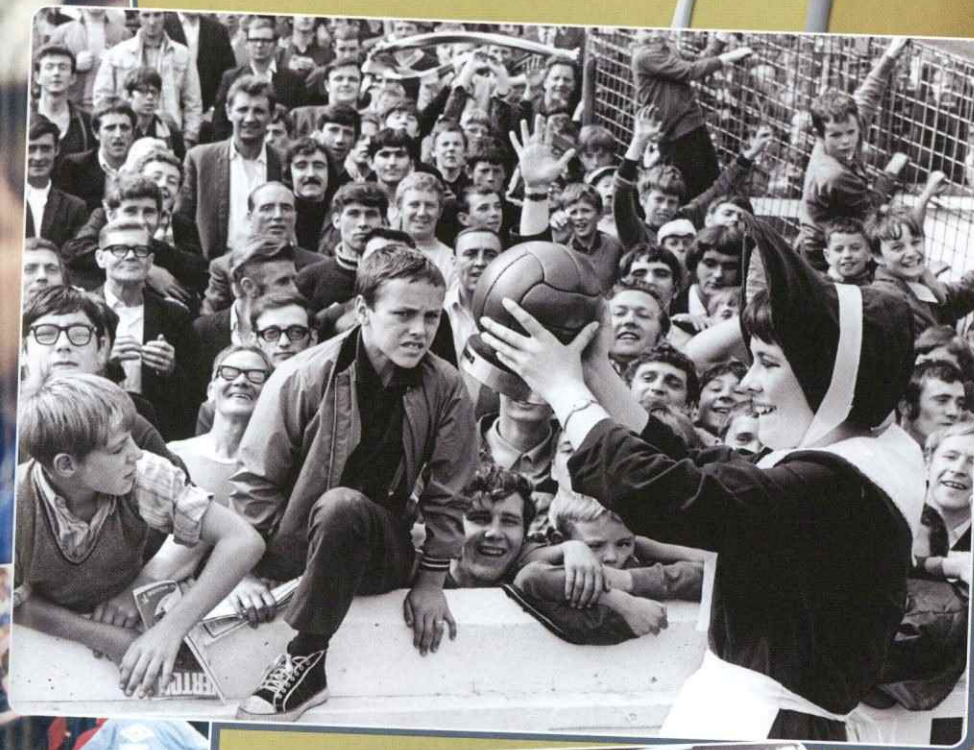
Thank the Lord for Graham Stuart . . .

The great escape against Wimbledon in 1994

WE all know that Evertonians are a breed apart and here are more pictures to prove it. Throughout the season, the Golden Vision section will feature classic fan images from our archive, which will sum up what it means to support this club. There will be plenty to be inspired by and a lot to laugh at. Enjoy!

All yours

Toffee lady Catherine Dunn shows off the John White trophy to the crowd after Everton's fans were rated the best supporters in Division One for the 1968/69 season. This image was captured at the opening home game of '69/70 against Crystal Palace



Spot yourself?

Are YOU in any of the images we have featured, or do you know somebody who is? If so, contact us and tell us your story. Also send us your own fan pictures from years gone by: Email efcprogramme@sportmedia-tm.com or write to us at: EFC Programme, Sport Media, PO Box 48, Old Hall Street, Liverpool, L69 3EB.



Thumbs up

First through the barriers at Lime Street in March 1969 was 12-year-old Kenny King, who was headed for Old Trafford and the FA Cup semi-final against Manchester City

GOODISON GOLDMINE

Toffee Tower

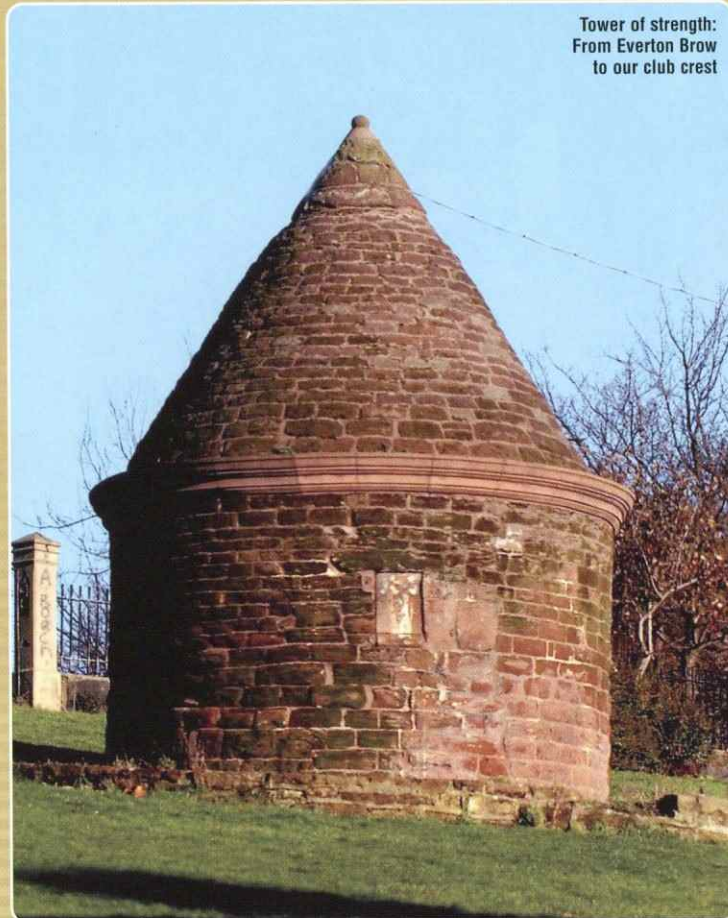
The tower which features so prominently on the club crest is an old lock-up that is still located on Everton Brow, in Netherfield Road.

Popularly known as Prince Rupert's Tower, or The Roundhouse, it has also been referred to as "Stewbum's Palace" or the "Stone Jug". It was built in 1787 and used to hold wrong-doers until they could be hauled before a magistrate the following day.

Legend had it that the tower was the area from which Prince Rupert looked down on Liverpool during England's Civil War.

It was only partly true. Prince Rupert did take the city with his Royalist army and almost certainly viewed the challenge from Everton Ridge but that was in 1644 - 143 years before the tower was built.

Everton gave a nod to the famous landmark when the Megastore incorporated the tower design into its facade.



Tower of strength:
From Everton Brow
to our club crest

STRANGE BUT TRUE

National Football Museum chosen as final resting place for Everton legend Lawton

Next month marks the 10th anniversary of the death of Tommy Lawton, one of the greatest players to wear the royal blue of Everton.

Strangely, Lawton's ashes are held in the National Football Museum in Preston.

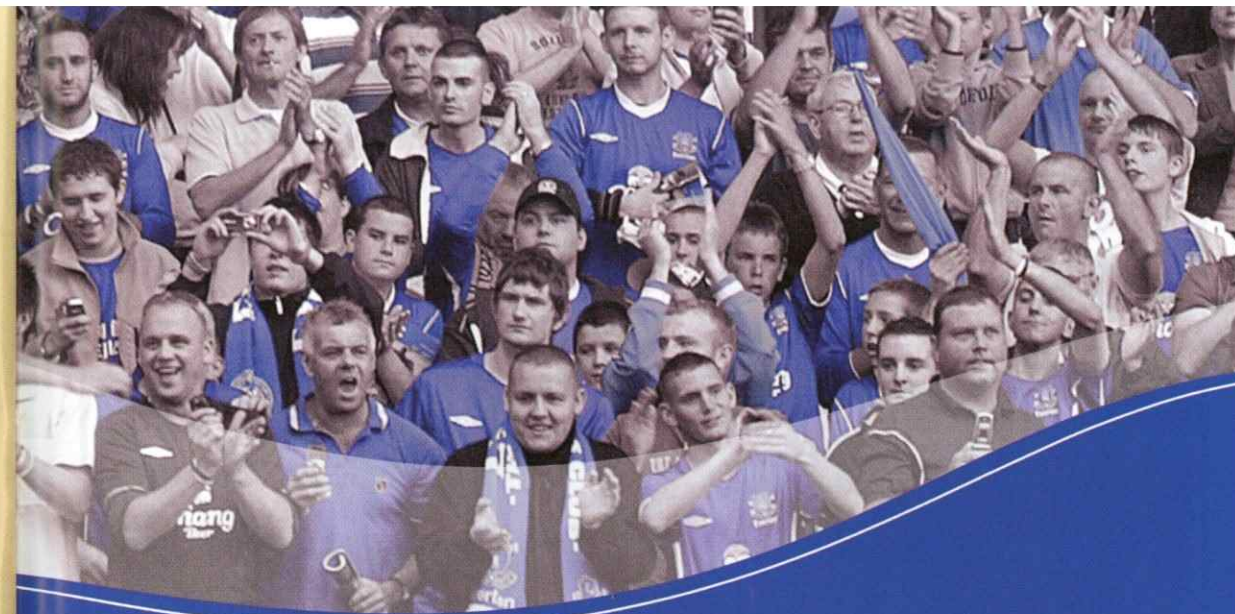
"It all came about after discussions with Tommy's son, Tommy junior," explains museum curator Mark Bushell.

"It was a bit unusual but Tommy had asked for his ashes to stay in Lancashire and after talking it through with the various parties concerned it was decided to display the ashes here and so they are now cased alongside items from Tommy's career."

Bolton-born Lawton netted 70 goals in 95 games for Everton, picking up tips

from Dixie Dean who was in the twilight of his career when Lawton joined the club. But Lawton was quick to dispel any talk that he may have been the equal of the Everton legend.

"Take it from me, Dixie was the best centre-forward there has been," Lawton said in a national newspaper interview a few years before his death.



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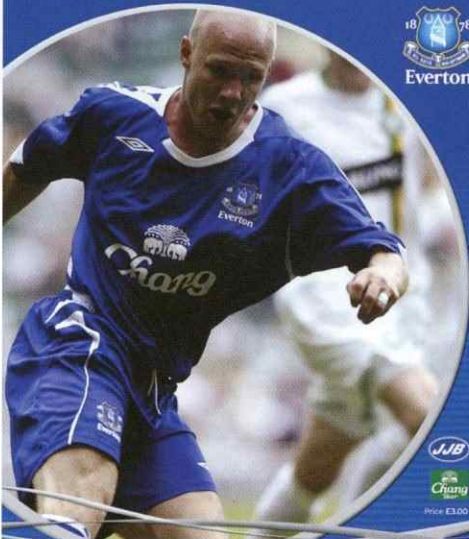
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Stadium Tours...

EVERTON make the trip to North London on Saturday for our first visit to the Emirates Stadium. The match at Arsenal will be our 13th trip to a new ground in England since the Taylor Report triggered the building of new stadia in the late 1980s. With a visit to Reading's Madejski Stadium before Christmas also on the horizon, we look back at how we have fared on our other dozen 'inaugural' fixtures.

BOLTON WANDERERS

Ground: Reebok Stadium
 Opened: 1997
 First visit: September 1, 1997
 Bolton Wanderers 0 Everton 0



Everton were the first visitors to the £25m Reebok Stadium when it was opened nine years ago and secured a share of the spoils amidst plenty of controversy.

Bolton were left feeling aggrieved when television replays confirmed that a header from Gerry Taggart had dropped six inches behind the goalline before Terry Phelan hooked it clear and referee Stephen Lodge failed to give the goal.

John Oster clipped the bar with the Blues' best chance but the referee's earlier decision proved particularly important come the end of the season.

Both Bolton and Everton finished the season on 40 points with the Trotters relegated due to an inferior goal difference.

MIDDLESBROUGH

Ground: Riverside Stadium
 Opened: 1995
 First visit: March 2, 1996
 Middlesbrough 0 Everton 2



The Blues triumphed on their first visit to the Cellnet Riverside Stadium as it was then known having signed off from Ayresome Park with a 2-1 win a couple of seasons earlier. Goals from Tony Grant and an Andy Hinchcliffe penalty gave the Blues another enjoyable trip to Teesside.

WIGAN ATHLETIC

Ground: JJB Stadium
 Opened: 1999
 First visit: January 31, 2006
 Wigan Athletic 1 Everton 1



Last season's trip was the Blues' first to Wigan for a senior fixture as the sides never met at Springfield Park. An incident-packed game saw the Blues earn a point while Duncan Ferguson and Jason Roberts were both dismissed.

LEICESTER CITY

Ground: Walkers Stadium
 Opened: 2002
 First visit: March 20, 2004
 Leicester City 1 Everton 1



The Blues' first visit to Leicester's new base was overshadowed by the tragic death of Everton fan Bernard Murphy before kick-off.

The game itself ended all-square with Marcus Bent's last-minute equaliser cancelling out a goal from Wayne Rooney 15 minutes earlier. The Blues had to play more than half the game with only 10 men following Duncan Ferguson's dismissal in the 41st minute for furiously wrestling Steffen Freund to the ground just minutes after being booked for a foul on Nikos Dabizas.

SCUNTHORPE UNITED

Ground: Glanford Park
 Opened: 1988
 First visit: September 16, 1997
 Scunthorpe United 0 Everton 1



Gareth Farrelly scored his first senior goal as the Blues grabbed a narrow first leg lead in their League Cup tie.

Danny Williamson ran through the middle unchallenged and fed the unmarked Farrelly, who steadied himself before coolly slotting the ball under keeper Tim Clarke for the only goal of the game.

It was the Blues' first game against The Iron with the clubs' paths not crossing while the Lincolnshire side were based at the Old Show Ground.

SOUTHAMPTON

Ground: St Mary's Stadium
 Opened: 2001
 First visit: April 20, 2002
 Southampton 0 Everton 1



Steve Watson's tidy 40th-minute finish, after a threaded Kevin Campbell through-ball, livened up an end-of-season fixture and gave the Blues a welcome win on the Saints' new surface.

SUNDERLAND

Ground: Stadium of Light
 Opened: 1997
 First visit: March 25, 2000
 Sunderland 2 Everton 1



The Blues had won 5-0 at Goodison earlier in the season but goals from Nicky Summerbee and Kevin Phillips gave Sunderland the points. Nicky Barmby scored for the Blues.

STOKE CITY

Ground: Britannia Stadium
 Opened: 1997
 First visit: January 5, 2002
 Stoke City 0 Everton 1



An Alan Stubbs free-kick helped the Blues negotiate a tricky FA Cup third round tie in the Potteries to the delight of 6,000 travelling fans.

The last trip to the Victoria Ground had yielded a 2-0 league win in April 1985.

DERBY COUNTY

Ground: Pride Park
 Opened: 1997
 First visit: September 13, 1997
 Derby County 3 Everton 1



A Derby side including Lee Carsley proved too strong for Everton, who also had Andy Hinchcliffe sent-off.

Jon Hunt put the Rams ahead and, although Graham Stuart equalised, further goals from Chris Powell and Dean Sturridge made sure of a home win before Hinchcliffe was given his marching orders for hauling down Francesco Baiano midway through the second half.

It was quite a contrast from nine months earlier when Everton signed off from the Baseball Ground with a 1-0 win.

The Blues' record in their first games at new stadiums since 1988 is:

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HUDDERSFIELD TOWN

Ground: Galpharm Stadium
 Opened: 1995
 First visit: September 15, 1998
 Huddersfield Town 1 Everton 1



Everton failed to turn second-half dominance into goals as Huddersfield hung on for a draw in the opening leg of this League Cup tie.

Dave Watson gave the Blues the lead before Wayne Allison levelled on the stroke of half-time and although Everton bossed the second 45 minutes, good luck and bad finishing kept the scores level. Everton won the second leg 2-1 at Goodison to claim a narrow aggregate victory.

Everton's previous visit to Huddersfield had taken place in 1972 when a Division One fixture at Leeds Road ended goalless.

MANCHESTER CITY

Ground: City of Manchester Stadium
 Opened: 2003
 First visit: May 15, 2004
 Manchester City 5 Everton 1



The least said, the better. Kevin Campbell scored Everton's first goal at Eastlands but a first-half double from Paulo Wanchope and a goal from Nicolas Anelka put City in command before late goals from Antoine Sibierski and Shaun Wright-Phillips made the game safe.

MILLWALL

Ground: The New Den
 Opened: 1993
 First visit: September 20, 1995
 Millwall 0 Everton 0



In all honesty, Everton's first visit to The New Den was fairly forgettable as the two sides played out a goalless draw in the first leg of this League Cup second round clash.

Paul Rideout came closest to breaking the deadlock when he headed an Andy Hinchcliffe corner against Kasey Keller's post.

The Blues later crashed out of the competition after losing the second leg at Goodison 4-2 after extra-time.

Everton Ladies



The Everton influence that has inspired England to the World Cup 2007

England Ladies return to action tomorrow for the first time since clinching qualification for next summer's World Cup finals in China.

Hope Powell takes her triumphant squad to Aalen in Germany for a friendly with the Lionesses looking to build confidence ahead of the ladies' showpiece event next September when they take on the reigning champions.

Six members of the Everton Ladies squad played their part in reaching

the finals and many more in Mo Marley's squad are battling it out for a place in Powell's group of players for the Far East.

Goalkeeper Rachel Brown, defenders Rachel Unitt and Lindsay Johnson, midfielders Fara Williams and Jill Scott and striker Jody Handley were all in the squad which drew 1-1 with France in Rennes to secure qualification, while Everton also have a strong contingent in Marley's Under-21s side.

Williams played a key part in scoring the goal that

helped England reach China and she admits she is still buzzing from the experience.

"It was a great day. It came off my shoulder for the goal and I don't know who it came off last, me or Hoda Lattaf, but a goal's a goal and the result we got was the most important thing. Most of the girls are still buzzing from that game even now!

"The finals are a big opportunity for us to make a name for ourselves and show how far we've come in our careers since last

year's Euro Championships and hopefully we'll have a big impact going out to China next year.

"Things didn't go as well as we planned in the Euros but we put ourselves on a pedestal by showing we could compete with the big teams. It's been proven in the qualifiers for the World Cup that we can still do that. We've competed with teams like Holland - who we beat home and away - and France despite the fact we're ranked lower than them both."

Fara, 22, is in line to win



her 42nd cap in Germany tomorrow. She believes England are reaping the benefits of the coaching the Everton girls receive at club level and admits she couldn't be at a better club from that point of view.

"I feel we've got the best coaching in the league," she says. "The qualifications Mo Marley's got and the knowledge that she brings to us is great for the girls and we're improving all the time.

"The likes of Charlton and Arsenal have facilities which are probably 10 times as good as ours but as for the

coaching and our preparation, I'd say no-one can compete with us in this league at the minute. It's spot-on."

The World Cup finals may still be some way off but Fara, who works as a girls' development coach for Everton in the Community, is already looking forward to it.

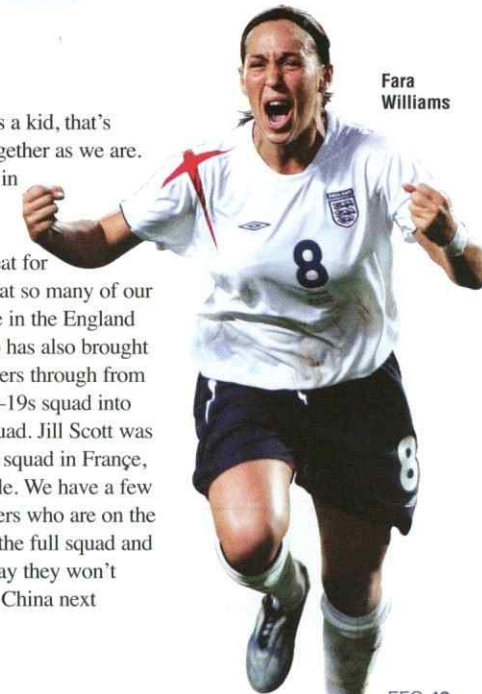
"Since the results in the Euros we've pulled ourselves together and the unity in the team now is superb. I don't think there's been an England team since I've been in the set-up,

since I was a kid, that's been as together as we are. The result in France proved it.

"It's great for Everton that so many of our players are in the England squad. Mo has also brought a few players through from the Under-19s squad into the full squad. Jill Scott was also in the squad in France, for example. We have a few other players who are on the fringes of the full squad and who's to say they won't make it to China next year?"

LADIES FIXTURES 2006-07

Date	Opposition		Res
August			
Sun 20	Charlton	A	2-1
Sun 27	Birmingham	H	2-1
September			
Sun 3	Leeds Utd	H	1-1
Sun 10	Crystal P (FAWPC)	H	4-0
Sun 17	Doncaster R B	A	1-2
October			
Wed 4	Blackburn	H	P-P
Sun 8	Bristol (FAWPC)	H	2-0
Sun 15	Chelsea	A	P-P
Sun 22	Arsenal	H	
Sun 29	Fulham	A	
November			
Sun 5	Chelsea (FAWPC)	A	
Wed 8	Blackburn	A	
Sun 12	Birmingham	A	
Sun 19	Sunderland	A	
Sun 26	Bristol Acad	A	
December			
Sun 3	Doncaster R B	H	
Sun 10	Leeds Utd	A	
Sun 17	Charlton	H	
January			
Sun 14	Arsenal	A	
Sun 21	Fulham	H	
February			
Sun 4	Chelsea	H	
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Sun 25	Bristol Acad	H	



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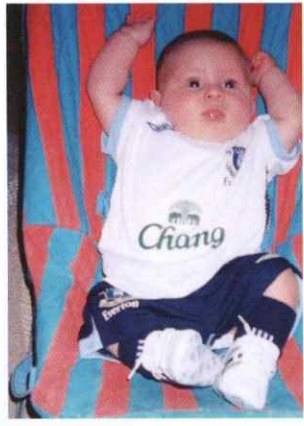
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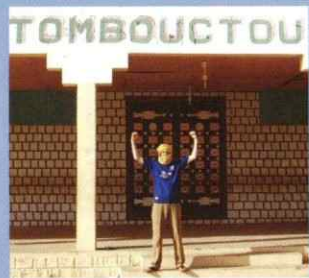
Lee Eckman, from Derry, has sent in this picture of himself with Tim Cahill in Bangkok last summer, along with a photo of his six-month-old baby boy (and already a mad Blue) celebrating AJ's third goal in the derby.



Happy birthday to Adam Collins who celebrates his 13th birthday tomorrow. Adam has been a season ticket holder in the Upper Gwladys Street for seven years. Lots of love from Mum, Dad and family and his puppy, Dixie Dean.



Happy Birthday to Paul Gavin who was 18 last Tuesday. Paul has been a season ticket holder since the age of five.



On a recent holiday to West Africa, and after weeks of hard trekking through the unforgiving Sahara desert in Mali, Andy De Gier reached the mythical city of Timbuktu.

He says: "Here, after a bit of camel trading, I donned my shirt and paraded round the town chanting: 'Oh, it's a Grand Old Team to Play for...' before setting up an informal game on a sand-filled street with some local kids - a re-creation of this year's derby which was, of course, won by the mighty Blues 28-21, or thereabouts. I've included a picture of myself wearing the shirt and a Tuareg (local Arab nomad) turban next to the city's post office."

Andy is a lifelong supporter and has held a season ticket in the Gwladys Street end for the last seven years.



Mark Bowen has sent us this photograph of his little lad, Liam Bowen, who was born on December 22. A few people say he's like a little AJ!



Mike Atkinson has been a season ticket holder with Everton for 44 consecutive seasons and intends to make sure his first grandson, Lucas Jessop, continues the family tradition along with his three uncles Michael, Mark and Christian who are also season ticket holders. Lucas was born on July 2 and is already showing his colours!

This is Lee Hatcher who is a season ticket holder in the Upper Bullens. This picture was taken a couple of years ago in Dallas. The famous Texas School Book Depository is in the background. Enjoy the match today Lee.



Happy 31st birthday in advance to Paul Long who will be celebrating tomorrow. Love from Zoe, Nicole and Adam Hughes. Adam has been brought to Goodison tonight by Paul and is attending his first Everton match.

Happy Birthday to R Kelly who celebrated her 24th on October 15th by painting the town blue along with her mates. Loads of love from Mum, Dad, Glen & Oonagh



Best wishes to a special lady, Susan Cox, who celebrated her Birthday on October 17th. Sue and her family are great Blues fanatics and were season ticket holders for many years. Hope you had a lovely day. With love from your Red friend, Ali x



Seanie Walsh sent in this picture of the O'Reilly brothers, Johnny, Mic and Cecil. Although Seanie is a Red, he met the lads more than 30 years ago on the ferry over from Dublin and they have remained good friends since. He says: "They are three great Blue fanatics and we still get on great and enjoy our banter!"

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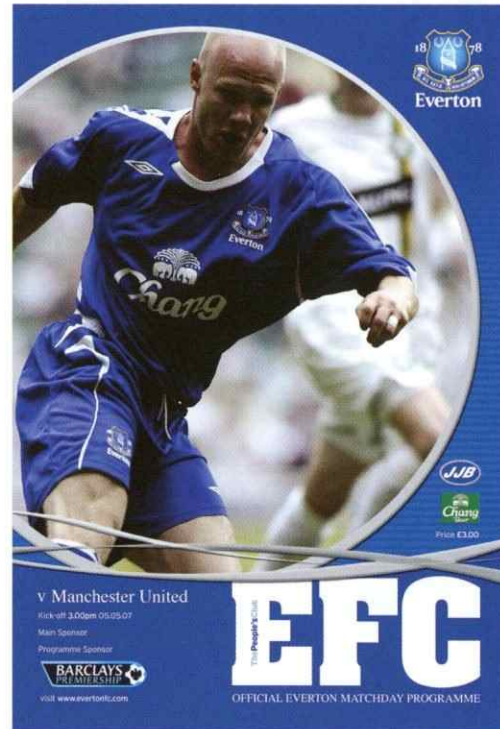
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At Everton In The Community we strive to continually bring new opportunities to everyone in the local area. We are always working hard in all areas, from our Healthy Schools Bus Launch earlier this month, to our support of Anti-Racism week and nothing is more exciting than when the hard work of everyone involved really pays off. It therefore makes us all very proud and thrilled that six of Everton's Ladies' players have just qualified for the World Cup, playing for England. We wish them all the best of luck in their quest to bring home the Women's World Cup.

Graham Lewis, chief executive, Everton In The Community

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STEVE FLIES THE FLAG



Fara Williams and Rachel Brown were part of the successful England Ladies team and both work for Everton In The Community. However, they aren't the only members of the club's staff to represent their country with distinction recently.

Steve Johnson, Everton's disability manager and captain of England's amputee team, has just returned from a trip to Volgograd in Russia, where a Great Britain amputee team took part in the the European Open Championships.

The predominantly young team performed very well, winning two out of three of the group games, beating Uzbekistan in the semi-final and losing out to the home team, Russia, in the final. It was the first time in 16 years that an England or Great Britain team had reached a major final. England's opening game was against Russia and the home team prevailed after a controversial penalty award gave them a 4-3 win. Moldova and Iran were both beaten before a penalty shoot-out victory over Uzbekistan in the semi-final. The final was a game too far as Russia ran out 5-1 winners.

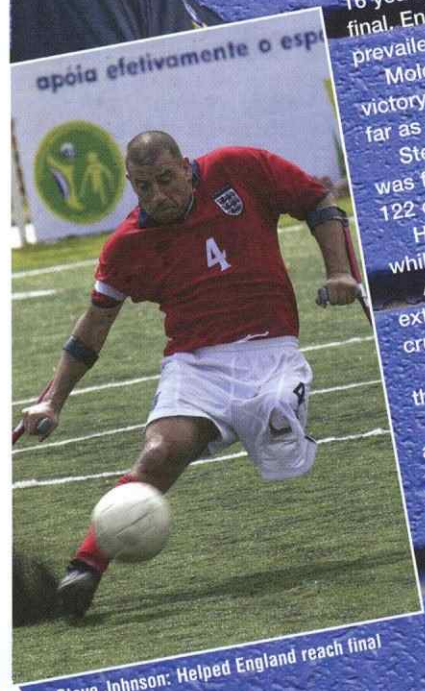
Steve, 42, has been part of the England amputee team since it was first set up in 1987 and has now represented his country on 122 occasions.

He had his left leg amputated above the knee after an accident while playing football in a sports hall in Southport when he was 21. Amputee matches last for 25 minutes each way because of the extra energy required to get around the football pitch using crutches.

He told us: "People want to strive to achieve the highest level they possibly can, no matter what level it is. "I played football with two legs when I was younger but, after I lost the leg, I thought I would never play again. At the time there was no amputee football so when it began it was something I was keen to develop. I wanted to continue playing football."

"We have a huge programme here at Everton, the biggest in the country for offering opportunities to disabled people, and I would encourage anyone who is interested to get in touch."

Any disabled person who is interested in playing football should contact Steve on 0151 330 2307



Steve Johnson: Helped England reach final

Moyes joins Beefy on charity walk

David Moyes joined Ian Botham in pounding the streets of Liverpool during the cricket legend's latest charity walk.

The Everton boss met up with 'Beefy' outside Alder Hey hospital and accompanied him as the route passed close to the club's Bellefield training ground. Moyes then had to wave goodbye to Botham before overseeing a training session. Former Liverpool players Ian Rush and Alan Kennedy also joined in the walk.

Botham hiked through 17 cities in nine days, covering 200 miles in the process, and travelled between

regions in a specially donated helicopter.

It was Botham's 11th charity walk and this one has raised approaching £500,000 for Leukaemia Research and the Teenage Cancer Trust.

In total, he has raised £4.5million since his first charity walk in 1985.

Botham, who was born in Heswall, in Wirral, was delighted by the reception he received in Liverpool.

He said: "The people of Liverpool have been extremely generous and I'd like to thank them all."

"I have been involved with these charities for 21 years. When I first

started supporting them, patients had a 20% chance of survival and now there is an 80% chance.

"That's why it's so important that we raise as much money as possible for the charities.

"Fortunately, no one in my family has been affected by leukaemia but it is something that I feel very strongly about. I hope we raise a lot of money but what's even more important is raising awareness.

"It was brilliant to see support from old friends and sporting celebrities who gave up their time to come and walk with me."





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EVERTON v BOLTON WANDERERS
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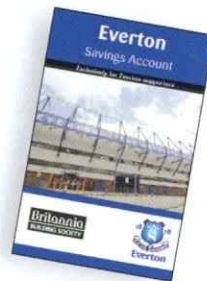
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Team-mates

Who's your room-mate?

It was Dunc. It was good, to be honest, Dunc was great. When I first came I didn't know what to expect but he was as good as gold. He used to make my tea. People get this impression of him but when you know him personally it's completely different. We tend to be by ourselves now when we go away.

Who's the biggest moaner in the squad?

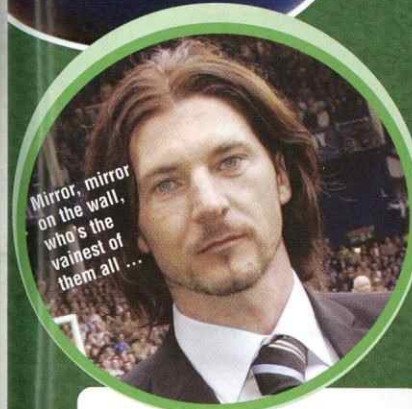
I have been named by other players and I am a moaner but I only moan to keep them on the job, I take that responsibility. I know Ossie mentioned Hibbo but he hasn't caught me up.

Who's the funniest guy in the dressing room?

We have a few like Cars and Beats. Beats is the maddest, Cars is quite dry.

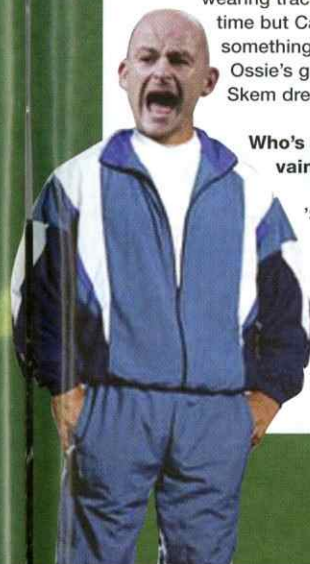
Who's your best dressed team-mate?

I'd say Beats. 'Sandro is the one with the designer labels. Some of Beats' gear is quite wild but some of it is quite nice so I'll go for Beats.



And the worst?

Cars and Ossie. You wouldn't think Cars was from Birmingham. Us scousers get labelled for wearing trackies all the time but Cars is something else. Ossie's got proper Skem dress sense.



Who's the vainest?

'Sandro. Stonewall. He's got his own mirror in the dressing room.

Either/Or

Tea or coffee?

I'll go for tea.

Beer or wine?

Neither, I'm an athlete. I like a glass of wine but...Bud.



Shoes or trainers?

Trainers.

Studs or blades?

Studs.

Goal-line technology or the referee's decision?

I'd say goal-line.

Golf or snooker?

Golf. I like watching snooker and I'm pally with John Parrott but it's golf all day long.

So you enjoyed the Ryder Cup?

I watched all of it, it was fantastic. I thought the European players were phenomenal, the team spirit was fantastic and they blew the Americans away. It was great TV to watch, gripping stuff, and the atmosphere looked absolutely amazing.

You must have admired Darren Clarke's achievement...

We saw the relief and the

emotions when he won his singles match, it all came out. Everyone's hearts were with him. To do what he did in the short space of time since his wife died...it was probably his way of dealing with the situation to get back out on the golf course.

Cats or dogs?

Dogs. I hate cats, they're sly

Kirkby or Formby?

Kirkby. I'm proud of where I come from.

Firsts



First car

First car?

Ford Orion, 1.4 GL, a white one. It was a B reg, bought second hand from Lenton and McCombs in Maghull - it's not there anymore. My dad bought me that and I was chuffed to bits. I'd just passed my test and I had an inkling he might help me out but when he bought it it was a surprise.

Replica sports kit?

It would probably be an Everton one, probably the Hafnia championship one.



Inspired: Darren Clarke (second from the right)

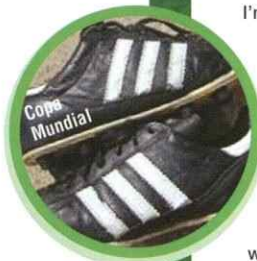


Sports event you went to see?

It'd be an Everton match. Outside of football it was when I went to watch Scotland against Australia in a rugby union international at Murrayfield, which was great. The Aussies had been in to Celtic to train and they totally put us to shame in the gym lifting the weights. Some of the guys were quite small but they were doing it for fun. They were really nice guys and they were totally awesome on the pitch.

Boots?

A pair of Patrick Keegan's, they had a red stripe. The best boots would be World Cups. You can try all you want with the technology but they are the best boots ever, the World Cups and the Copa Mundial.

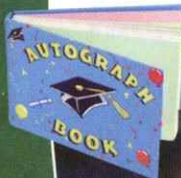


First trophy?

It was the under-9s when I was playing for a team in Kirkby called Pingwood. We had a good team and won more or less everything. We won the league and the cup under a manager called Josh, who has passed away now.

Did you collect autographs as a youngster and, if so, who was your first?

I used to come down to Bellefield and it was probably Graeme Sharp. When I'd just started supporting them, he was my favourite player. Him and Reidy were my heroes. He'll probably be made up at me saying that.



Lasts

CD brought?

The Scissor Sisters. When I go, I go and buy all the latest ones in the charts.

Film watched?

It was Little Men. I went with Heather and Sam to watch it. It was okay but there were a couple of bits where I had to put my hand over their eyes!

Book read?

I'm awful for books, I get halfway through and don't finish them. It was a John Grisham one last, I think. I also read about a lad from Liverpool who was in the forces and did undercover work, he was from Huyton but I can't remember the name of it. It was quite good, an interesting read.

Last holiday?

Disneyland in Florida last year.

Miscellaneous

Do you have any pets?

No, had a dog a while ago. Oh, fish - we've got a fish.

What's it called?

I don't know. We never really have that long to name them, they just tend to die. It's the typical fate of a goldfish in Formby. They usually last four weeks but this one's lasted sixteen months now. I can't remember its name, I just feed it.

Read any newspapers?

The Daily Mail if I read any.

Who's your closest friend in football?

It would be hard to say one. There's a few of the lads here, Tommy Johnson, I still speak to Darren Jackson quite a lot.

Favourite away ground?

Old Trafford is the best away ground at the moment, I'm looking forward to seeing Arsenal's. I've always liked Villa's.

What's the best goal you've scored?

Probably against Bolton about three years ago, a free-kick from outside the box.

Do you have any pre-match superstitions?

I always get changed dead-on two o'clock - or an hour before every game. It's always the same, I watch the clock.

Do you have a political persuasion?

No.

What was your favourite non-sporting subject in school?

Art.

What were your exam results like?

Not great. It was stupid really because I knew I was getting a contract at Bolton and I basically dropped everything and never revised for any of my exams. I'm really sorry I did that now, it was a stupid thing to do.



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Alan Stubbs



Did you get many detentions?

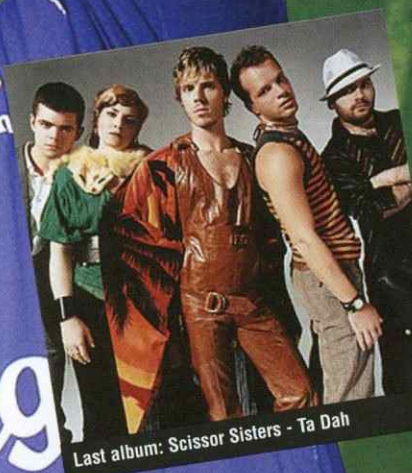
One or two but I wasn't disruptive at school. I used to get my head down and get on with it.

You've just taken over Woodward's bar in Formby. Is it better than the Winslow?

Controversial one, that. Woodward's is great but they are different types of places. The Winslow's a pub, mine's a wine bar.

Sam Malone was the owner of Cheers and he had been a sportsman. Are you a better barman?

No, because I won't go behind the bar.



Last album: Scissor Sisters - Ta Dah



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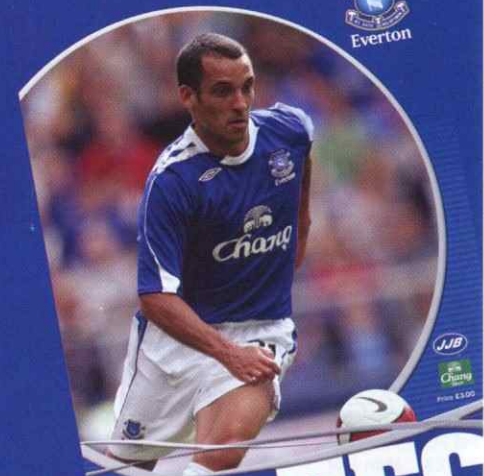
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Mark Hughes Liverpool 09.12.86	0 0	1 0	1 0	1 0	4 1
Andy Johnson Bedford 10.02.81	8 6	0 0	8 6	8 6	271 103
Kevin Kilbane Preston 01.02.77	2 0	0 0	2 0	102(19) 5	425 35
Joleon Lescott Birmingham 16.08.82	6(2) 0	1 0	7(2) 0	7(2) 0	244 13
James McFadden Glasgow 14.04.83	0(3) 0	0 0	0(3) 0	57(43) 10	170 42
Gary Naysmith Edinburgh 16.11.78	5 0	1 0	6 0	125(19) 6	263 11
Phil Neville Bury 21.01.77	8 0	1 0	9 0	52 0	438 8
Leon Osman Wigan 17.05.81	6 0	0 0	6 0	70(20) 12	122 18
Alessandro Pistone Milan 27.07.75	0 0	0 0	0 0	106(11) 1	180 2
John Ruddy St Ives (Camps) 24.10.86	0 0	0 0	0 0	0(1) 0	62 0
Alan Stubbs Kirkby 06.10.71	2 0	0 0	2 0	148(10) 4	568 25
Iain Turner Stirling 26.01.84	0 0	0 0	0 0	3(1) 0	30 0
Nuno Valente Lisbon, Portugal 12.09.74	3(3) 0	1 0	4(3) 0	30(3) 0	- -
Andy van der Meyde Arnhem, Holland 30.09.79	0 1	1 0	1 1	8(5) 0	- -
James Vaughan Birmingham 14.07.88	0 0	0 0	0 0	0(3) 1	3 1
Bjarni Vidarsson Iceland 05.03.88	0 0	0 0	0 0	0 0	0 0
David Weir Falkirk 10.05.70	0(2) 0	0 0	0(2) 0	25(14) 9	531 29
Richard Wright Ipswich 05.11.77	0 0	1 0	1 0	68(2) 0	383 0
Joseph Yobo Kano, Nigeria 06.09.80	8 0	0 0	8 0	120(12) 4	132 4

Career appearances and goals include other clubs, but not internationals, and may be incomplete in some instances where players have played abroad. Figures in brackets relate to substitute appearances for Everton. Career total stats include all appearances made, including those as a substitute. Definitive career statistics for Nuno Valente, Andy van der Meyde and Joseph Yobo are not known.

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Date	Opposition	Res	Att	Pts	Pos	Line-up	Substitutes
August							
Sat 19	Watford	H 2-1	39,691	3	7	Howard Neville Valente Yobo Stubbs Davies	Carsley Cahill Arteta Johnson Beattie
Wed 23	Blackburn	A 1-1	22,015	4	6	Howard Neville Naysmith Yobo Stubbs Osman	Carsley Arteta Kilbane Johnson Beattie
Sat 26	Tottenham	A 2-0	35,540	7	4	Howard Neville Naysmith Yobo Lescott Osman	Carsley Arteta Cahill Kilbane Johnson Weir
September							
Sat 9	Liverpool	H 3-0	40,004	10	3	Howard Hibbert Naysmith Yobo Lescott Osman	Carsley Arteta Cahill Neville Johnson 2 Weir
Sat 16	Wigan	H 2-2	37,117	11	4	Howard Hibbert Naysmith Yobo Lescott Osman	Carsley Arteta Cahill Neville Johnson Weir
Tues 19	Peterborough U (CC2)	A 2-1	10,756	-	-	Wright Neville Valente Hughes Lescott Van der Meyde	Carsley Davies Naysmith Anichebe Beattie Cahill
Sun 24	Newcastle	A 1-1	50,107	12	4	Howard Hibbert Naysmith Yobo Lescott Osman	Carsley Arteta Cahill Neville Johnson Weir
Sat 30	Man City	H 1-1	38,250	13	5	Howard Neville Valente Yobo Lescott Osman	Carsley Arteta Cahill Beattie Johnson Weir
October							
Sat 14	Middlesbrough	A 1-2	27,156	13	7	Howard Hibbert Valente Yobo Lescott Davies	Carsley Arteta Cahill Neville Johnson Weir
Sat 21	Sheff Utd	H *					
Tues 24	Luton Town (CC3)	H					
Sat 28	Arsenal	A					
November							
Sat 4	Fulham (12.45pm) Sky	A					
7/8	Carling Cup 4th						
Sat 11	Aston Villa	H					
Sat 18	Bolton	H					
Sat 25	Charlton (12.45pm) PPV	A					
Wed 29	Man Utd	A					
December							
Sun 3	West Ham (4pm) Sky	H					
Sat 9	Portsmouth	A					
Sun 17	Chelsea (1.30pm) Sky	H					
19/20	Carling Cup 5th						
Sat 23	Reading	A					
Tues 26	Middlesbrough	H					
Sat 30	Newcastle	H					
January							
Mon 1	Man City	A					
6/7	FA Cup 3rd						
9/10	Carling Cup SF 1st						
Sun 14	Reading (1.30pm) Sky	H					
Sat 20	Wigan	A					
23/24	Carling Cup SF 2nd						
27/28	FA Cup 4th						
Wed 31	Tottenham	H					
February							
Sat 3	Liverpool	A					
Sat 10	Blackburn	H					
17/18	FA Cup 5th						
Sat 24	Watford	A					
Sun 25	Carling Cup Final						
March							
Sat 3	Sheff Utd	A					
Sat 10	FA Cup 6th						
Sat 17	Arsenal	H					
Sat 31	Aston Villa	A					
April							
Sat 7	Fulham	H					
Mon 9	Bolton	A					
14/15	FA Cup SF						
Sun 15	Charlton	H					
Sat 21	West Ham	A					
Sat 28	Man Utd	H					
May							
Sat 5	Portsmouth	H					
Sun 13	Chelsea	A					
Sat 19	FA Cup Final						

* Statistics are up to and including 14.10.2006

Key: Goalscorers in Bold ■ First sub ■ Second sub ■ Third sub ■ Yellow card ■ Red card + Own goal

THIS WEEK'S OTHER CARLING CUP THIRD ROUND TIES (7.45pm unless stated)

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| Tonight | Tomorrow |
| Chesterfield v West Ham United | Crewe Alexandra v Manchester United |
| Leeds United v Southend United | Milton Keynes Dons v Tottenham Hotspur |
| Leicester City v Aston Villa | Newcastle United v Portsmouth |
| Notts County v Southampton | Blackburn Rovers v Chelsea (8pm) |
| Port Vale v Norwich City | Charlton Athletic v Bolton Wanderers (8pm) |
| Sheffield United v Birmingham City | Liverpool v Reading (8pm) |
| Watford v Hull City | |
| West Bromwich Albion v Arsenal | |
| Wycombe Wanderers v Doncaster Rovers | |

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TONIGHT'S OFFICIALS

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Assistant Referees

Trevor Massey

Glenn Turner

Fourth official

Graham Salisbury

Mascots

TONIGHT'S MASCOTS



Tonight's home mascot is ten-year-old Grace Harrison, who attends

Runnymede St Edwards school in Liverpool. Her favourite players are Andy Johnson and Phil Neville.



The Toffee girl is Megan Davies, aged 11, who attends

Bellerive FCJ school in Sefton Park. Her favourite player is Mikel Arteta.



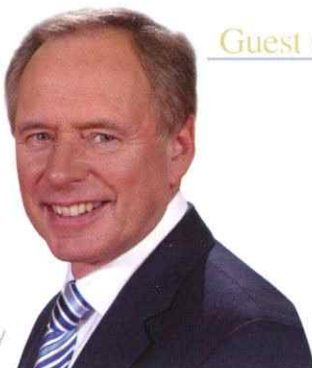
The away mascot is ten-year-old Jay Sharpe. Jay is from

Luton and attends Sundon Park junior school. He likes all Luton players but especially Rowan Vine.

Guest Columnist

Nick Owen

Luton supporter since 1958, former presenter on TV-AM, ITV Sport and Good Morning with Anne and Nick. Current host of BBC's Midlands Today



I think most Luton Town fans over the age of, say, 25 will recall with horror the day in 1985 when we somehow contrived to throw away our FA Cup semi-final against Everton at Villa Park . . .

Without any hint of bias (!), I would say we were magnificent that afternoon, only for Everton to snatch it cruelly with a goal in extra-time. Shattering, particularly for my eldest son, Andy, who was seeing a football match for the first time!

But my memories of Everton cup matches go back a lot further than that wretched FA Cup semi. Back to the days when Luton Town were an average Third Division outfit and we found ourselves with a big one - a trip to Goodison Park in the third round of the League Cup in September 1968. My friend Ian and I travelled on the supporters' coach only to see us thrashed 5-1 by an outstanding team.

Somehow, we felt privileged to be there! Joe Royle seemed to be on the end of everything, and scored twice. Ian and I stood outside the players' entrance afterwards and loads of Everton fans thought we must be Luton players. We signed autographs for about half an hour. I signed most of mine Geoff Hurst!

For a current connection with Everton you need look no further than our manager Mike Newell, who was a popular striker at Kenilworth Road. He's done a tremendous job for us after taking over when the club was in

deep crisis and could have folded. Apparently, he's a lifelong supporter of another club on Merseyside but I wouldn't want to dwell on that. He's hit the headlines recently with his strong stand on bungs and the disproportionate amount of money going out of the game to agents. He's upset a few with his opinions and could have risked his job and standing within the game, but he's stuck to his guns and Luton fans really respect him for that. We also respect the exciting, attacking football we play under his leadership.

Our greatest wish now is for a new stadium to take the club forward and establish Luton Town amongst the elite. The political wranglings and machinations over land and money over the years have driven us near crazy, but, hopefully, we are creeping slowly closer to the day when we'll have a brand new home. As far as tonight's match is concerned, let me just say we have a pedigree in this competition. We won the old Littlewoods Cup in a thriller against Arsenal back in 1988 at a place you may remember called Wembley. The Luton Town Supporters Club was founded that year and I am proud to have been President since day one.



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- 1 Richard Wright
- 2 Tony Hibbert
- 3 Gary Naysmith
- 4 Joseph Yobo
- 5 David Weir
- 6 Mikel Arteta
- 7 Andy van der Meyde
- 8 Andy Johnson
- 9 James Beattie
- 10 Simon Davies
- 11 James McFadden
- 13 Iain Turner
- 15 Alan Stubbs
- 16 Joleon Lescott
- 17 Tim Cahill
- 18 Phil Neville
- 19 Nuno Valente
- 21 Leon Osman
- 22 James Vaughan
- 23 Alessandro Pistone
- 24 Tim Howard
- 26 Lee Carsley
- 28 Victor Anichebe
- 30 John Ruddy
- 31 Mark Hughes
- 36 Patrick Boyle
- 41 Bjarni Vidarsson

● **Manager:** David Moyes



Luton Town

- 1 Marlon Beresford
- 2 Kevin Foley
- 3 Sol Davis
- 4 Chris Coyne
- 5 Russell Perrett
- 6 Paul Underwood
- 7 Carlos Edwards
- 8 Steve Robinson
- 9 Rowan Vine
- 10 Warren Feeney
- 11 Dean Morgan
- 14 Michael Leary
- 15 Stephen O'Leary
- 16 Lewis Emanuel
- 17 Richard Langley
- 18 Ahmet Brkovic
- 19 Sam Parkin
- 20 Adam Boyd
- 21 Keith Keane
- 22 Danny Stevens
- 25 Leon Barnett
- 26 Markus Heikkinen
- 27 Peter Holmes
- 28 David Bell
- 29 Calvin Andrew
- 33 Dean Brill
- 34 Zac Barrett
- 35 Chris Pendleton

● **Manager:** Mike Newell

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