

Clint in his eye suits lucky Mark



SAVIOUR: Morrison

MARK HUDSON admitted Palace striker Clinton Morrison had got him out of jail following his comedy own goal against Luton.

The dozy defender suffered a moment of madness when he gifted Luton an equaliser by diverting the ball past keeper Gabor Kiraly with no opposition player within 20 yards.

That made it 1-1, but Richard Langley was sent off for the Hatters before Morrison popped up with his second stunning strike.

And Hudson revealed: "I can laugh about it now, but at the time it wasn't funny.

"The cross came in and I got a bit of a late shout from Gabor. I tried to get out the way, but it bounced off my bony hip and went in.

"Clinton got me out of jail with his two goals."

Morrison's opening goal lit up an otherwise

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dreadful opening half as he swivelled to drill home a James Scowcroft knockdown. 06/07

Luton never looked like scoring until Hudson did it for them on 55 minutes, but Langley then blew it for the Hatters with a reckless challenge on Matt Lawrence that brought a second yellow card.

Palace piled forward against the ten men and Morrison, previously without a goal since December 9, smashed in from six yards after Leon Cort's header.

Luton remain just a point above the drop zone and manager Mike Newell moaned: "The thing we have been missing at times recently is experience but you can't foresee long-term injuries."

