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Hello and welcome to Kenilworth Road for our game against a Bradford City side that are currently lying in the play-off positions and pushing for an automatic promotion place, so we know we will be in for a tough game here this afternoon.

It seems, and is, a long time since our last home game against Lincoln City on the 28th December. In

between that time we have had three away games on the bounce, so firstly I would like to thank each and everyone of you who made the long trips to Chester, Darlington and Brighton.

Chester was a game that we controlled well especially in the first half, but let slip a two goal lead, one to a very dubious penalty and the second

due to some sloppy defending at a corner.

Unfortunately as well as the disappointing result we also lost Lewis Emanuel to a nasty knee injury. After working so hard to get back in the team, and playing extremely well, it was a bitter blow for Lewis and we all wish him well in his recovery.

Again at Darlington we gave away some crazy goals early on in the game and it was then always going to be an uphill task to get any kind of foothold in the game.

In our Johnstone's Paint Trophy area final first leg at Brighton I thought we showed fantastic resilience at certain times of the game and defended excellently as a team. We maybe could have even taken a one goal lead into the second leg with a little bit more composure in the final third of the pitch.

Now the transfer window is well and truly open there is going to be a lot of players coming and going up and down the country, as always we are looking to add and improve the

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MICK HARFORD MANAGER

squad obviously within the restraints of our budget. Wayne Andrews and Gareth O'Connor have left us and Tom Craddock has now returned to his parent club Middlesbrough.

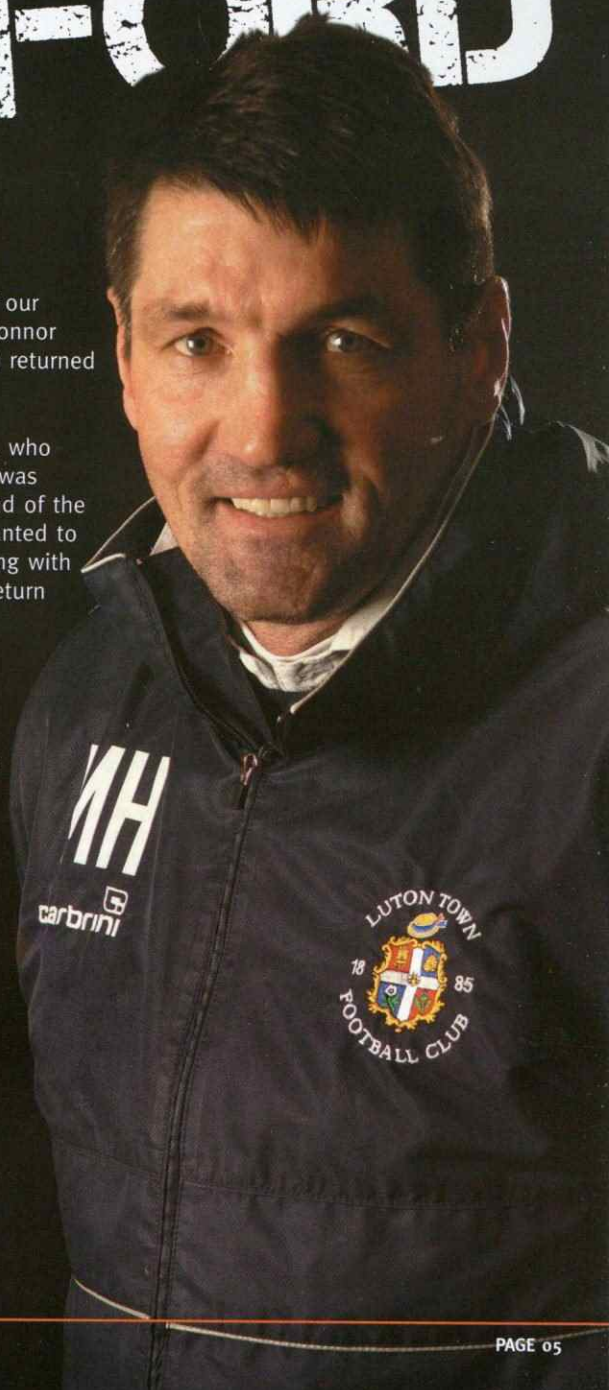
We were very disappointed to lose Tom, who was enjoying his football at Luton, and was desperate to continue with us till the end of the season. Unfortunately Middlesbrough wanted to take him back however talks are on going with Middlesbrough with a view for Tom to return to Luton, whether that is on loan or a permanent transfer.

Another player I want to mention is Kevin Watson, who has suffered some unfortunate injuries this season. He was not offered an extension to his playing contract but he is what I believe a fantastic addition to the coaching staff. Kevin will work along side Alan Neilson, who also has been a tremendous help to me since joining the senior ranks.

I would like to extend a warm welcome to Stuart McCall, his staff and players and also the fans, chairman and directors of Bradford City to Kenilworth Road.

Enjoy the game.

Keep the faith,
Mick.





Good afternoon and welcome to Kenilworth Road for this afternoon's clash with highflying Bradford City. The results in our last two league games have not been what we have been used to over the last few weeks, although the results alone do not quite tell the full story.

At Chester, we looked a very dangerous attacking outfit, but we managed to surrender the three points after giving away a debateable penalty and then a sloppy equaliser having lost Lewis Emanuel with a first half injury. Against Darlington we started in a similar vein and again looked dangerous on the attack, creating chances even after we conceded another penalty before four minutes of defensive recklessness cost us the game. All very disappointing but having bounced back with a clean sheet at Brighton to bring us a step closer to an ironic Wembley appearance we are happy that we have a tightly knit team which intends to kick-off the second half

of this season with a positive, confident frame of mind attacking every game as it comes. This is the mentality that Mick has drilled into the players and which demonstrates that patience will bring reward.

In every respect, Luton Town is a changing business and one which is based around building teams of people. Not just on the pitch but in the boardroom, in the offices and on the training ground.

Since Warren and Joe's departure, Mick has been far more active on the training pitch, which is where he is most comfortable, developing players and creating tactics. Whilst the turnaround in our playing fortunes can mainly be attributed to Mick we must also thank Alan Neilson for stepping up in support. His infectious enthusiasm and excellent coaching ability has been immensely valuable and made our decision to appoint him to the role full time an easy one. Joining Mick and Alan is Kevin Watson. Again it

is Kevin's enthusiasm and character aligned with an excellent knowledge of the game that encouraged us to make the appointment and having watched recent training sessions, I fully believe that this is the managerial set-up that will keep us in League 2 this year and take us on to greater things in the future.

As well as the changes and progress that we see on the pitch, we are now beginning to implement many of the changes behind the scenes that we had envisaged would rebuild the company last summer. The pressing issues of post administration cleansing are now being concluded which means our outlook and presence will be more visible as we build the team that will safeguard the future of the Club.

I am delighted to introduce Ginny Bradwell to the executive team. Ginny joins us as Finance Director; a position which we have been looking to fill with the right candidate for some time.

One area of great improvement has been our ticket office for which we have received some very positive feedback about the service that Mike Hooker and his staff now provide. We have now extended that to the club shop by giving Mike responsibility for both areas. In parallel we are in the final stages of development for our new on-line shop which will be up and running shortly.

We have appointed a new Commercial Manager, Dave Hoskins, and a Commercial Projects Assistant. This department will provide many new initiatives seen the benefits of their work already. Their first big event is the "Evening with David Pleat and Friends" at the Riverside on Thursday 12th February which will be the first of many initiatives and improvements in this area.

We have also appointed a Contracts Manager who is tasked with ensuring that we are getting the best deal possible for the Football

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THE HATTERS BOARD SPEAK ABOUT DEVELOPMENTS AT THE CLUB

Club in every aspect of cost control. This will only help us in our primary ambition of financial stability and will keep sales and purchasing activities independent.

Finally, we have invested more resource in the planning, design and print of the programme and I hope that you have been able to notice the difference in the last couple of editions.

The New Years Honours list bought great cheer for Bedfordshire as a number of people were recognised for their contributions to the community with two having strong connections with our Club.

Derek Ludlow, a Vice President of Luton Town, was rewarded with a CBE for his valuable work in the community. Mr Ludlow received an MBE in 2000 and since then he has worked tirelessly to promote education, industry and development not only Bedfordshire, but also the East of England region.

Another person to gain the exceptional honour of being awarded a CBE is Professor Les Ebdon, Vice Chancellor of the University of Bedfordshire. Professor Ebdon is an international expert on environmental analytical chemistry and serves on many scientific boards as well as being a member of the Royal Society. He came to



Luton in 2003 and has been instrumental in taking the original University of Luton to new strengths and its transition to the University of Bedfordshire.

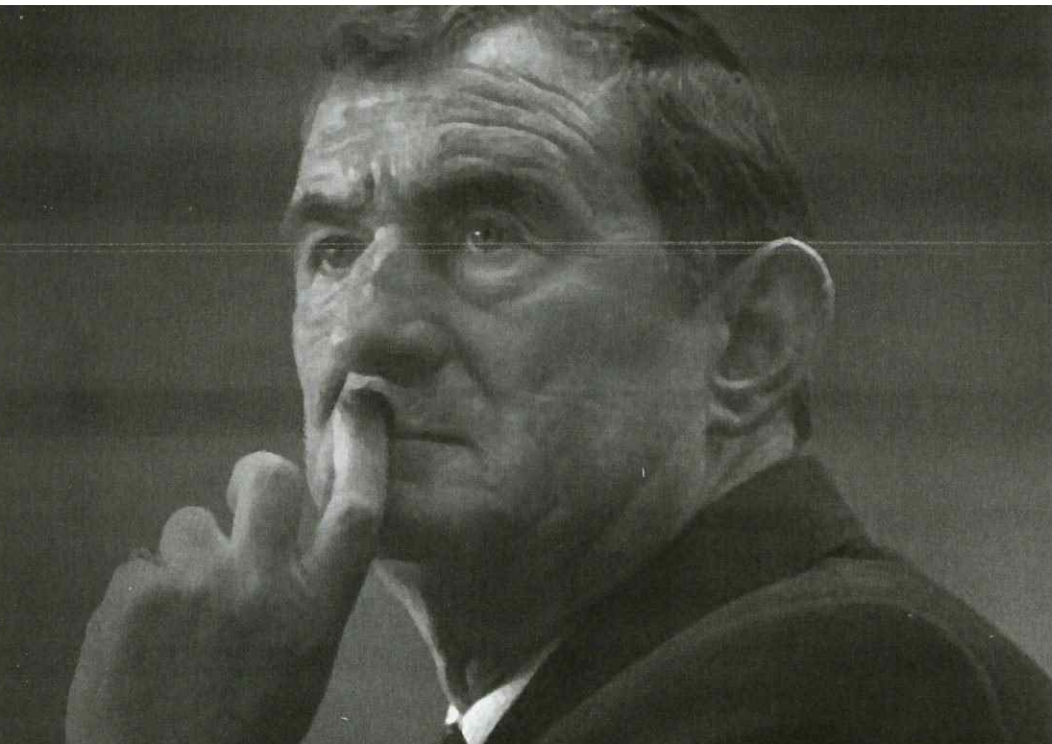
Both Derek and Les are huge supporters of Luton Town and the work the club has started to initiate in the community. On behalf of all fans, players, staff and directors we would like to pass on our congratulations for their achievements and for being recognised so highly in the New Years Honours list.

Finally, today's game see's us kick-off the start of our plus points season, to mark the occasion we have released our "Plus Points Season Ticket" and "Plus Points Executive Box" promotions. For more information, please visit our website or contact the Ticket Office or the Commercial Department.

Please get behind the lads today and do your bit to make this the most memorable season in our history!

Gary

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CAPTAIN



It was good for the club and the players to reach zero points at Chester. Another day we might have come away with a win and been on plus two so therefore it's an indication of how far we've come this season when the players and the manager are disappointed to come away from an away game with only a draw.

Getting to zero was a big boost for everyone connected with the club and we now need to pick up and kick-on from there.

After being pleased to reach that milestone, we were quickly knocked back down to earth at Darlington. Obviously we didn't defend well on the day; we gave away some poor goals which we hadn't done for some time but now we've got to write that game off and go on another unbeaten run.

We quickly got that result out of our system at Brighton on Tuesday with a disciplined performance. It's always a difficult place to go so it was a good result and we are looking forward to it. We know it'll be a full house here and with the news Sky will be screening the game live it's a big boost for us.

The club is just one game away from Wembley so there is no bigger incentive that that - if we get there it will be a massive achievement for the players and the club considering what we've been up against this season.

Today's game against Bradford is our first home game in a while, since we beat Lincoln at the end of December. It will be nice to play at Kenilworth Road for a change. Starting today we play three of our next four matches here, and two of those are against Bournemouth and Grimsby.

The six-pointer cliché goes out of the window as they're more like nine-pointers! There will be a lot of hype and pressure for these games especially, but all we need to do is pick up as many points as possible to keep us in the Football League.

On a personal note, it's been a long time since I played which is very frustrating considering I came here to play football but I'll hopefully be ready for the last period of the season and help us finish with a strong run.

The most important thing is that we keep our league status.

Enjoy the game.

Nico.

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ALL THE LATEST FROM AROUND KENILWORTH ROAD

NEWS

It's been 27 days since we were last at Kenilworth Road after beating Lincoln City 3-2 on 28th December and a lot has happened between now and then...

Friday 2nd January – Mick Harford confirms the signing of former Northampton striker Ian Henderson.

Saturday 3rd January – With the Hatters poised on minus one point the League

Two clash at Chester City is called off due to a frozen pitch.

Saturday 10th January – Another match falls foul of the frosty weather when the Town's crucial home game against Rotherham United is postponed.

Tuesday 13th January – Finally the Hatters get to play, and a point in a 2-2 draw at Chester moves the Town onto zero points. After the Hatters coast into a two-goal lead with goals from Chris Martin and Lewis Emanuel, Chester come back to force a point.

Wednesday 14th January – Alan Neilson and Kevin Watson are appointed as First Team Coaches to assist Mick Harford for the rest of the season. The duo oversee the Town's 2-0 reserve victory over Stevenage Borough at Kenilworth Road.

Thursday 15th January – Akanni-Sunday Wasiu arrives on a month's loan from Colchester United and the Town also confirm the permanent signing of Kevin Gallen and the extension of Conrad Logan's loan for a further month.

Saturday 17th January – After a run of eight games without defeat, the Hatters slump to a 5-1 defeat at Darlington. The Quakers hit four goals in the opening 28 minutes to put them well in command, but despite Chris Martin's goal on the half-hour, the hosts score a fifth five minutes from time.

Tuesday 20th January The Town earn a goalless draw at Brighton in the first leg of their area



■ New signing Ian Henderson

final of the Johnstone's Paint Trophy. It gives both sides a fighting chance in the return leg with a Wembley final awaiting the winners.

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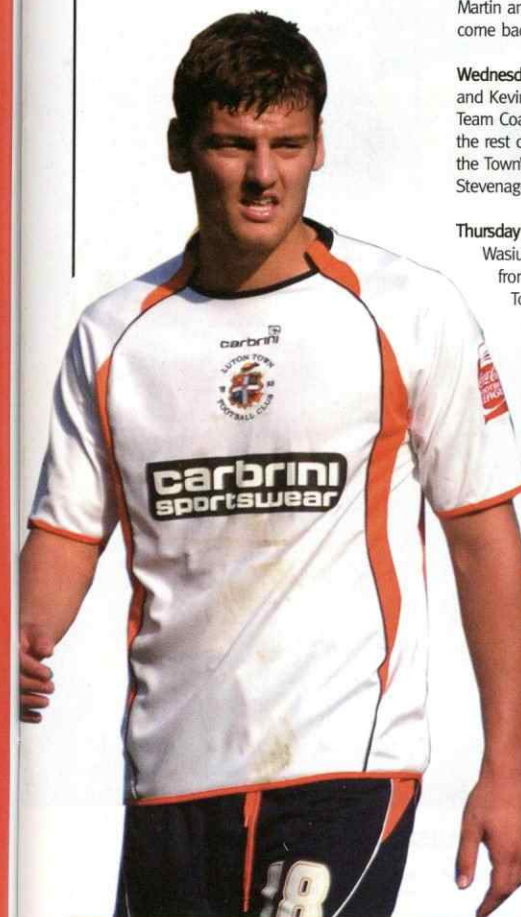
Tuesday 27th January – The Hatters travel to Dean Court to face the AFC Bourmemouth in a crucial match at the bottom of League Two at Dean Court. Kick off 7.45pm.

Saturday 31st January – Bury visit Kenilworth Road for the first time in eight years for a League Two encounter. Kick off 3pm.

The Hatters' Under 18's host their Northampton Town counterparts in the Puma Youth Alliance. Kick off 11am.



■ Chris Martin has chipped in with some recent important goals



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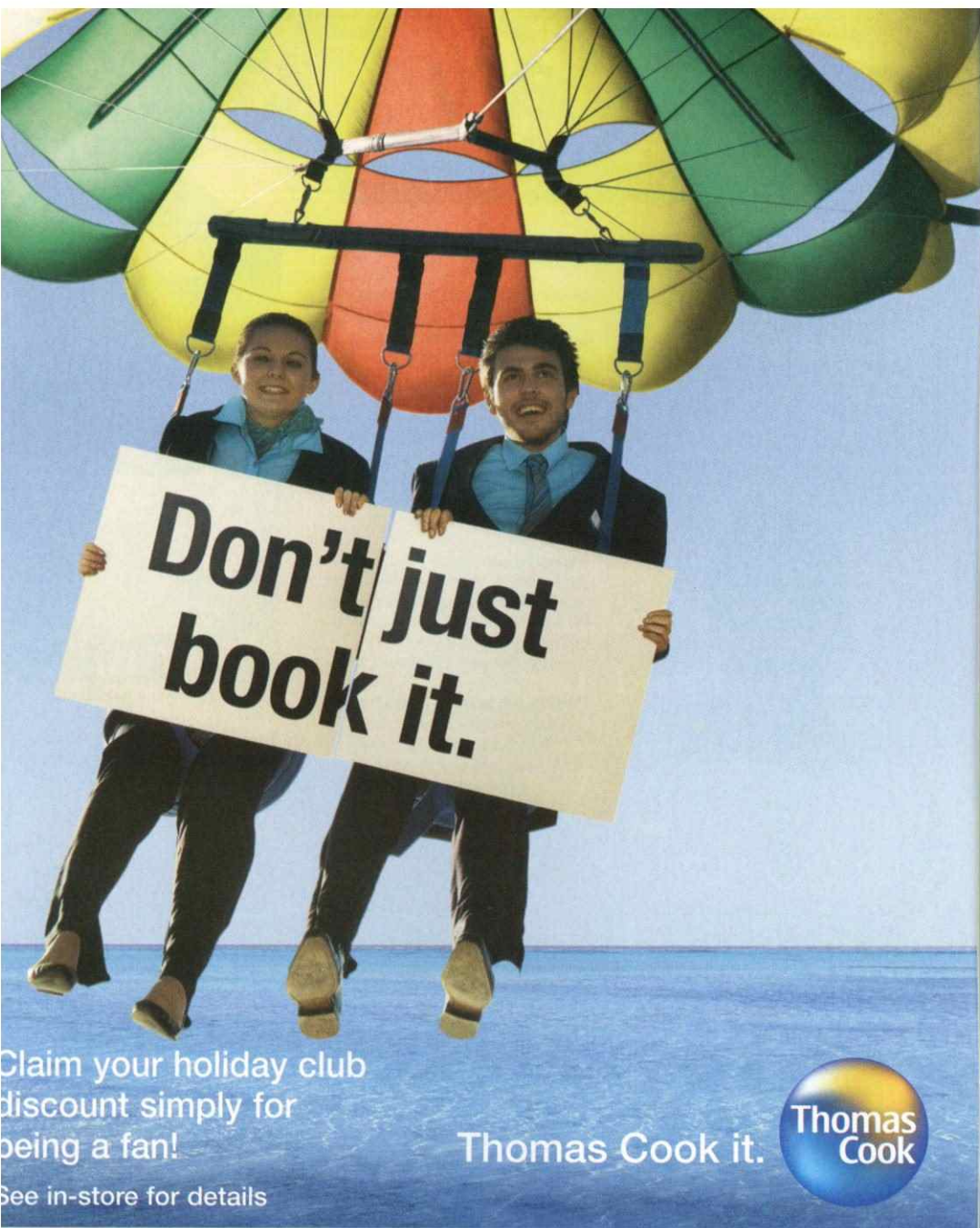
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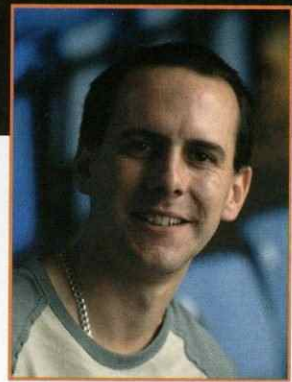
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SIMON PITTS LOOKS BACK AT PREVIOUS FIXTURES WITH BRADFORD CITY

The first was a 3-2 win in December 1965, when Tony Read and Bruce Rioch scored for Luton. The other victory came in April 1968 when Ray Whittaker scored from the spot to equalise. Two further goals for Bradford inflicted Luton's first home league defeat for over a year.

5 The number of times the sides have met in the League at Kenilworth Road.

Luton have won twice, as have the visitors, with the only match finishing with the sides sharing the points. The Hatters have scored twelve goals whilst Bradford have just five.

3 There have been three Cup ties between the sides at Kenilworth Road. Luton won 3-0 in an FA Cup 4th Round match in January 1974, an own goal was followed up with strikes by Barry Butlin and Jim Ryan. Steve Foster and current manager Mick Harford netted in a 2-0 League Cup 5th Round tie in January 1988 whilst Richard Harvey scored in a 1-1 draw in the same competition in September 1990.

3 The number of players to have signed for Luton from Bradford City. The first was George Turner, who made his debut for the Hatters in 1935, making 22 appearances and scoring five goals before moving to Northampton Town. John Taylor was next, moving South in exchange for £200,000 in March 1995. Taylor went on to make 40 appearances and scored four goals in two seasons at Kenilworth Road. Paul Showler moved in 1996, for £50,000 and made 37 appearances in three seasons with Luton. He netted six league goals, before injuries curtailed his playing career and he moved to Peterborough United to be the Club's physiotherapist. Luton also signed Andy Kiwomya on loan from Bradford in 1996/97, and he scored one goal in his five appearances.

3 In both of Bradford's victories they have scored three goals.

0 The only draw between the sides finished goal-less in October 1966. The lowest attendance for this fixture, just 4,150 were at Kenilworth Road to see the stalemate. This crowd was nearly 10,000 short of the highest attendance for this fixture just two years later!

2 There have only been two converted Luton penalties in these five ties, Ray Whittaker's in 1968 and Malcolm Macdonald scored the other in December 1969. Matt Tees had given the Hatters a lead on ten minutes, with Macdonald adding a second four minutes later. John Collins added a third

4 The last match between the sides at Kenilworth Road was back in October 2004, and the Hatters cruised to a 4-0 victory. Ahmet Brkovic opened the scoring, with Steve Howard and Paul Underwood netting before half time. Brkovic scored his second of the match with 69 minutes on the clock. This was the Hatters first victory after three successive defeats.

22 The number of years since Luton last won on this day. Mike Newell scored the only goal as the Hatters beat Leicester in 1987. Fulham won 4-1 in 1998, with Tony Thorpe scoring the only Luton goal, whilst Tranmere won an FA Cup fixture here in 2004.



■ The Croatian sensation: Ahmet Brkovic netted twice v Bradford in 2004



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CURRENT FORM: D D W D D

The Bantams arrive at Kenilworth Road on the back of a five match unbeaten run. However, like the Hatters recent run of form, the majority of their games have ended in draws.

Last weekend's 1-1 draw at home to Accrington Stanley was their fourth draw in five games having also picked up a solitary point from games against Shrewsbury (0-0), Lincoln (0-0) and Chester (0-0).

The only victory today's visitors managed in then sequence was a 4-0 thumping of Morecambe at Valley Parade on 28th December.

Former Hatter Paul McLaren got the ball rolling in the 24th minute and three second half goals from Michael Boulding, Nicky Law, and Barry Conlon sealed an emphatic victory.

The goal they conceded against Accrington last week had come after they had kept four consecutive clean sheets.

PREVIOUS MEETINGS:

Luton wins: 6 Bradford wins: 4 Draws: 6

Meetings between the Hatters and Bradford have been few and far between over the years with the two sides facing each other just 16 times in 43 years.

The Bantams have beaten the Hatters four times during that period and that was achieved at Kenilworth Road back in 1968 with a 3-1 victory.

That win was the last time today's visitors tasted success over the Town in a sequence stretching back 10 matches.

City did however eliminate the Hatters from the League Cup in 1990, winning on penalties at Kenilworth Road after both legs ended in 1-1 draws. The Hatters' 5-0 victory on 12th December 1969 remains their largest over today's Yorkshire visitors.

LAST TIME AT KENILWORTH ROAD:

Luton Town 4-0 Bradford City - 30th October 2004

The Hatters were flying at the top of League One the last time the two sides met at Kenilworth Road in 2004.

After three successive defeats to Huddersfield, Hull and Walsall, many expected another tough game against the Bantams who themselves arrived in the promotion hunt.

But the Hatters quickly put their supporters' nerves to rest with a scintillating first half display which will be best remembered for Ahmet Brkovic's acrobatic bicycle kick which opened the scoring.

LAST FIVE SEASONS IN FOCUS:

After being relegated from the Premier League in 2001, Bradford find themselves in League Two alongside the Hatters following further relegations in 2004 and 2007.

The relegation in 2004 saw the Bantams finish 15 points from safety in the Championship after struggling for much of the campaign.

Two successive 11th place finishes in League One followed, where they missed out on the play-offs by six points in 2005 and 11 points the following season.

However, after those two solid campaigns, the Bantams finished four points from safety and were relegated to the basement division for the first time in 26 seasons.

In their first season in League Two, backed by crowds of over 13,000, the club finished 10th in the table, 16 points shy of a playoff place.



Steve Howard and Paul Underwood added two further goals before the break before Brkovic netted his second of the afternoon to seal an impressive victory.

Luton: Royce, Foley, Coyne (sub Perrett), Davies, Davis, Underwood, Robinson, O'Leary, Brkovic, Vine (sub Blinkhorn), Howard. **Subs not used:** Showunmi, Keane, Beckwith.

Bradford: Henderson, Holloway, Wetherall, Bower, Emanuel, Kearney, Schumacher, Crooks (sub Forrest), Muirhead, Windass, Adebola (sub Symes). **Subs not used:** Ricketts, Gavin, Bentham.

Attendance: 7,975



the manager: stuart mccall

As far as Bradford fans are concerned the legend returned in May 2007 when Stuart McCall was appointed manager of Bradford City, days after his departure from Sheffield United where he held the post of assistant manager to Neil Warnock before his departure.

Stuart was a product of Bradford City's youth system and made his debut at Reading on 28th August 1982, he then became an integral part of the team that won the Third Division Championship in 1984/85.

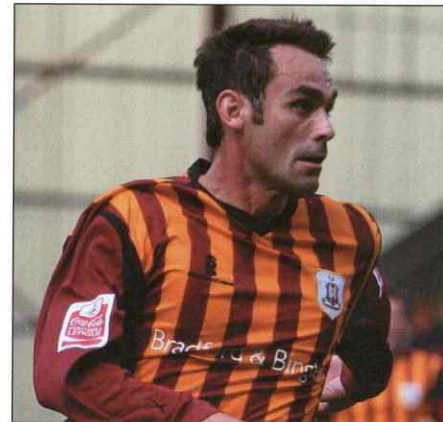
He left to join Everton in June 1988 for £850,000, scoring twice in the 1989 FA Cup Final to take the game into extra time. Liverpool's Ian Rush, who also scored two goals, secured victory for Liverpool. In total he made 103 appearances and scored six goals while on Merseyside.

He went on to play for Rangers before returning to Bradford City, captaining the side to promotion to the Premier League. He signed for Sheffield United in 2002 as a player before joining the coaching staff.

star man: peter thome

35-year old Peter was Stuart McCall's second capture when he signed a one-year contract with the club. He was released at the end of last season by Norwich City.

Thome currently holds the record as Cardiff City's most expensive signing, costing the Bluebirds £1.8m when he moved from Stoke City in 2001. He helped Cardiff City gain promotion to the Coca-Cola Football League Championship in the 2002/03 season, via the Play-Offs, and joined Norwich City on a free transfer in the summer of 2005. He has already scored 11 goals this season, although his last came way back in November.



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RHYS EVANS

Rhys started his career in 1998 at Chelsea, where he stayed until 2003, enjoying loan spells at Bristol Rovers, Queens Park Rangers and Leyton Orient. In August 2003, Evans joined his local club, Swindon Town, on a free transfer. He went on to join Blackpool in July 2006 and a year later was sent out on loan to Bradford.

He made just four appearances before a shoulder injury cut short his loan. In January 2008, Evans signed for Millwall on a free transfer but just six months later in July he was back at Valley Parade signing a full contract on 1st August 2008 ahead of the 2008/09 season.

DEFENDERS

PAUL ARNISON

Paul was another summer signing, agreeing a deal following his release from Carlisle United. The 30-year-old was a regular in the Cumbrians side which won promotion from the basement division two-years-ago.

Last season Arnison was restricted to just 11 starts, although he did play in the Play-Off Semi-Final first leg when Carlisle beat Leeds at Elland Road.

PAUL HECKINGBOTTOM

Stuart McCall brought another Bantams' favourite back to Valley Parade with defender Paul Heckingbottom signing a deal through to June 2009. 30-year-old Heckingbottom originally joined Bradford City from Norwich City in 2003 and made 43 appearances for the Bantams where he was named Player of the Year in 2004 but left following relegation to League One to join Sheffield Wednesday at



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the end of that season. After making 47 appearances for Owls he moved to Barnsley, playing 53 games before returning to Bradford, initially on loan.

GRAEME LEE

Lee started his career at Hartlepool United, notching up almost 300 appearances at centre back and helping the club secure promotion to League One. He also played as a striker for Pools, scoring 20 goals for the club. In 2003 he followed former manager Chris Turner to Sheffield Wednesday. He made 37 appearances for Wednesday and scored five goals in his first season and took up the captain's armband when Dean Smith was injured, this made him a shining light in one of the Owls' worst ever seasons which led to him picking up a fans' player of the season award. Lee signed for Doncaster Rovers for £50,000 in 2005, where he was Rovers' captain and scored the winning

goal in extra time in their 3-2 win over Bristol Rovers in the 2007 Johnstone's Paint Trophy Final.

LUKE O'BRIEN

O'Brien came through the ranks at Valley Parade, making his first team debut in the 5-1 defeat by Doncaster Rovers at the Keepmoat Stadium in the Johnstone's Paint Trophy in September 2007. He has since gone on to make 23 appearances, including 19 this season.

MIDFIELDERS

PAUL McLAREN

The 31-year old, released by Tranmere Rovers at the end of last season, signed for Bradford City on 1st July 2008 having been chased by a host of other clubs eager for his signature. McLaren began his career at the Hatters in 1993 and stayed with Luton until 2001. He then joined Sheffield Wednesday before moving to Rotherham United. Paul linked up



GRAEME LEE

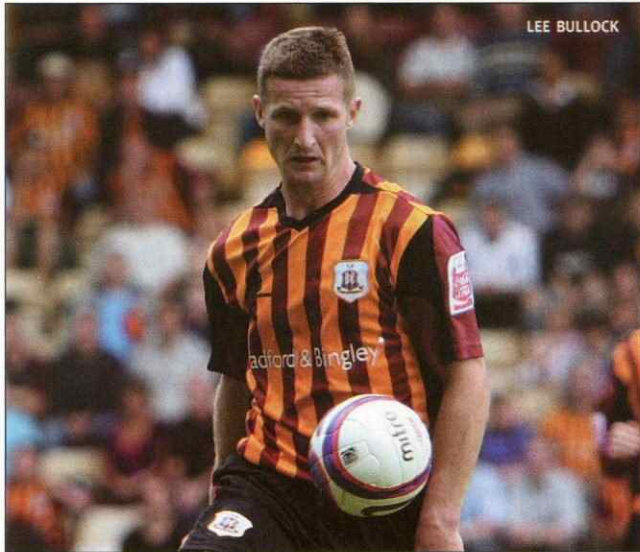
again with former boss Ronnie Moore at Tranmere Rovers in the summer of 2006.

OMAR DALEY

Omar Daley was signed from American outfit Charleston Battery who he joined from Portmore United of the Jamaican Premier League in 2005. His had previous experience of English football with Reading and Preston North End. Daley appeared for the Jamaican U-20's in the 2001 FIFA World Youth Championship in Argentina and is a current member of the Jamaican national team; he has been capped more than 50 times and scored four international goals.

LEE BULLOCK

Lee started his career with York City, with whom he played 171 league games and scored 24 goals, before he moved to Division One side Cardiff City in 2004 after a loan spell. He spent just one season with Cardiff before he returned to north east England



LEE BULLOCK

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with Hartlepool United, winning promotion from League 2. He had loan spells with Mansfield Town, Bury and Bradford City, before signing permanently for the Bantams in January 2008.

CHRIS BRANDON

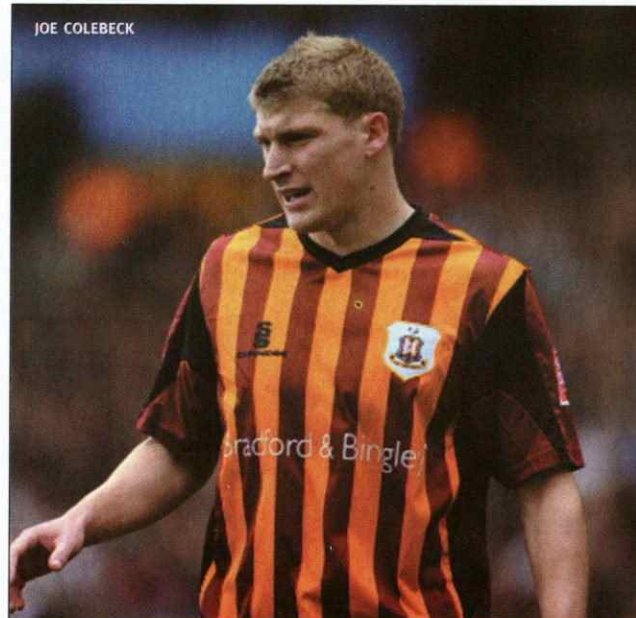
32-year old midfielder Chris Brandon signed for City on a two-year deal in July 2008. Chris was released from Bradford's Centre of Excellence and joined Bradford Park Avenue. Spells at Farsley Celtic and Stafford Rangers followed before eventually getting a break in league football, signing for Torquay in 1999. He moved to Chesterfield in July 2002 under the Bosman ruling before signing for Huddersfield Town two years later where he scored the winning goal to knock Birmingham City out of the FA Cup in a 2-1 defeat at the Galpharm Stadium.

JOE COLBECK

Another success of the Bradford City youth set up, Joe broke into the first team making his debut in the 1-0 defeat at Chesterfield in 2006. He was awarded his first professional contract shortly after. Joe spend a spell last season at Darlington on loan which kick-started his career, to the extent that he was named Bradford City Player-of-the-Season.

KYLE NIX

Stuart McCall knew Kyle from his days at Sheffield United. He started his career with the youth teams at Manchester United and Aston Villa, before joining Sheffield United. He had a loan spell with Barnsley, but left United to join non-league Buxton. He joined Bradford City for whom he made his debut in league football in August 2007. Nix has also represented England at youth team level.



JOE COLEBECK



MICHAEL BOULDING

STRIKERS

MICHAEL BOULDING

Michael could have made a career as a professional tennis player but decided instead on football. He is a former youth and professional tennis player who was once ranked in the top 20 in Britain and played in junior Wimbledon and in the qualifying rounds for the main event. He switched to a professional football career in 1999 after he was offered a contract by Mansfield Town. He went on to play for Grimsby, Aston Villa and Barnsley before retiring, however, seven months later in March 2006, he joined Rotherham United until the end of the 2005-06 season. He then returned to Mansfield in July 2008.

BARRY CONLON

Stuart McCall made Barry his first signing when he brought in the Drogheda-born striker in July 2007 on a one-year contract after he was released by Mansfield Town. The 29-year old started his career at QPR before joining Manchester City but appearances were limited to just one league start and six substitute appearances, and he was loaned out to Plymouth Argyle 18 months later. He has also had spells with Southend, York City, Darlington and Barnsley.



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paulmclaren

This afternoon's meeting with Bradford City will mark the return of a former Hatters apprentice who went on to make over 160 appearances for Town in the seven years that he spent at the club.

Paul McLaren now plies his trade with the Bantams, but the creative midfielder has nothing but happy recollections of his time at Kenilworth Road.

"I met four or five of my best mates there at the club so it holds a lot of fond memories for me, I had a lot of good times there," reminisced the 32-year-old.

"Luton is a good club. When I was there it was a good Championship team and there were a lot of decent players coming through. I made some good friends and met a lot of different people whilst I was there."

McLaren left Kenilworth Road in 2001 to join Sheffield Wednesday, before two seasons each with Rotherham United and Tranmere Rovers. Then at

the start of the 2008/09 League 2 campaign, he stayed in the north and signed for Stuart McCall at Bradford.

The Bantams midfielder has enjoyed a decent career since his move away from Luton, but explained that the Hatters were the ideal club for him to begin his football career.

"Luton is a well-known club for bringing players through. I had a lot of good managers and a lot of good coaching at Luton, I started off under David Pleat and then Joe Kinnear was my last manager there.

"There was a lot of discipline when we were apprentices; it's a bit different now. It was quite strict but it put us in good stead, it's a very good club."

But despite enjoying his time with the

Hatters, McLaren insists there will be no room for sentiment this afternoon.

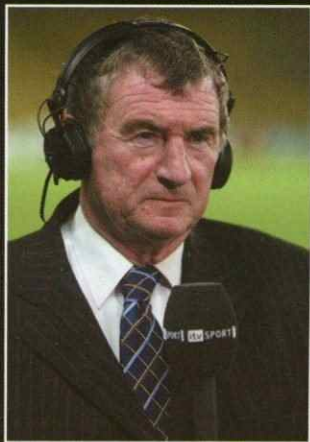
"I don't really know any of the players there anymore, I know Mick [Harford] quite well, but it's just another game really. Although the club does hold a lot of special memories for me, it's just another game where we've got to get three points and get back to winning ways.

"We're probably playing better away from home at the moment anyway. But I'm looking forward to the game.

"Obviously I'll have a few people there watching because it's close to where I'm from, family and friends will probably come and watch and I'm looking forward to going back and seeing them afterwards."



COMMERCIAL MATTERS



The former Town manager – who guided the club to the First Division and an FA Cup semi-final – is just one of many legends that will be present on the night which has been boosted recently by the sponsorship of insurance company A Plan.

David Hoskins, the Hatters' Commercial Manager, said: "A Plan approached us earlier in the year and expressed an interest in becoming a corporate partner, so that they could communicate with our corporate and local fan base.

"With both the club and the fans already benefiting from the connection, A Plan kindly decided to be our main sponsor for the evening."

The partnership with A Plan was formed to enable both the club and supporters to benefit from the range of offers and discounts from the firm's range of insurance policies.

The latest in a long-line of corporate events arranged by the Hatters' commercial department kicks off next month.

After being six months in the pipeline, an Evening with David Pleat and Friends takes place on Thursday 12th February at the Riverside Suite in Luton at 8pm.

David continued: "What we found is A Plan can offer discounts to supporters which in turn helps Luton Town Football Club earn a commission from that.

"This therefore benefits A Plan, the club and the fans."

The night itself will also include a three course meal, a question and answer session and an auction which gives you an opportunity to bid for an Executive Box at Kenilworth Road for the rest of the season.

Tickets for the night cost £50 and are selling fast so to avoid missing out please contact the commercial department on 01582 411622 or alternatively email commercial@lutontown.co.uk

For more information on A Plan visit their website at www.aplan.co.uk/hatters

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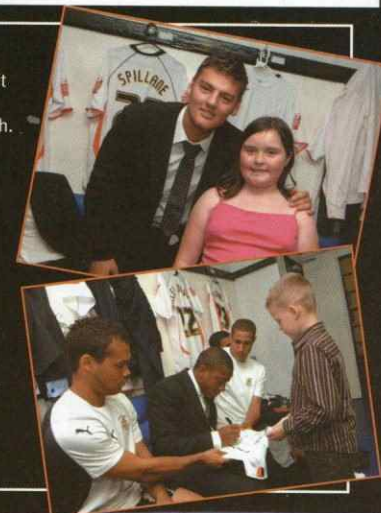
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Craddock 56, Roper 90

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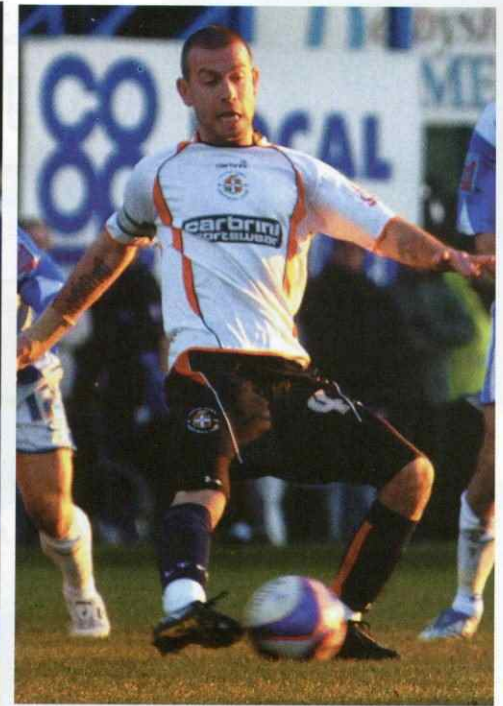
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Chesterfield: Lee, Picken, Robertson, Lowry, Ward, Currie (sub Winter 67), Harsley (sub Boden 67), Downes, Kery, Hall, Gray (sub Austin 26). Unused subs: Carson, Askham.

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MAN OF THE MATCH
 Tom Craddock



Looked like he'd never been away following injury. The on-loan striker capped a fine performance with a superb finish from Paul McVeigh's pass and on another day could have had a hat-trick.



POST-MATCH VERDICT

Mick Harford: "We believe its two points dropped. I think we were by far the better team and created a lot of chances, especially in the first half. We never got the first goal but had all that possession but I was delighted with the goals we scored."

Lee Richardson: "I don't think there's any doubt that a draw was the right result, Luton were the better team up until the hour but I'm disappointed to have conceded a goal so deep into stoppage time."



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22-year-old Tom Craddock's recent loan spell with the Hatters came to an end after the Darlington match last weekend and at the time of going to print, he has returned to parent club Middlesbrough, while his immediate future is resolved.

Little over a month ago the Teeside striker agreed a second loan extension and it immediately paid dividends for the Hatters over the Christmas period as he helped the club secure four points with a draw on Boxing Day against Chesterfield and a win two days later against Lincoln City.

After spending several weeks on the sidelines following a groin injury, Craddock struck on his return with a goal against Chesterfield, and the striker was understandably happy to get himself playing again and back amongst the goals.

Speaking after the win against Lincoln, Craddock said, "It was really frustrating but I was keen to get myself fit and come back and help the team. I was really pleased to get a goal on Boxing Day. I felt pretty fresh, I was a little bit tight today but I managed to put in a good shift which I was pleased with."

Since reverting to the attacking 4-3-3 formation, utilised to good effect against Boumemouth at the start of December, the Hatters went on to record a seven-match unbeaten run and Craddock commented on how the change of system had contributed to that success.

"With the personnel we've got it works well because we've got plenty of men back when we're defending and we've got plenty of men forward when we're attacking.

"I'm playing in a little bit of a different position on the right hand side which I'm not used to but I'm just trying to do a job for the team and put in a good performance for the lads and the gaffer."

It was fellow striker Chris Martin who grabbed the headlines against Lincoln with a first-half brace, and Craddock feels that this competition for places will only benefit the Hatters this season.

"It gives the gaffer a big headache as it brings competition for players which only makes you want to do better, and from a personal point of view it makes you maintain a high level of performance or you know you'll be out of the team," said the 22-year-old.

The Club are currently negotiating with Middlesbrough to try and extend Craddock's stay at Kenilworth Road and would like to thank Tom for the contribution he has already made to the Club's bid to retain Football League status.

TOM CRADDOCK



YOUR SCHOOL COULD BE PLAYING AT WEMBLEY STADIUM.

Good afternoon and welcome to this afternoon's game. It is now the time of year where local schools in the Bedfordshire area have the opportunity to compete for the opportunity to play at Wembley Stadium in The Football League Community Cup.

The Football League Community Cup is a national 6-a-side competition that is open to school teams of mixed gender players who are under-11 on 1st September 2008. It is played on a Football League national divisional basis which leads to three separate tournaments.

Each divisional tournament involves:

A preliminary stage of local competitions organised and run by each club's Community scheme. Regional finals in the North and South featuring each of the local competition winners.

A grand Final featuring winners of the North and South regional finals to be

played before the corresponding Play-Off Final at Wembley Stadium in May 2009. The League 2 Play-Off Final this season will be on 23rd May 2009.

Our local competition will be at PlayFootball.Net in St Thomas' Road, Stopsley on 6th March 2009 and the local winners earn the privilege of being Luton Town's representatives in the remainder of the competition. They will play under the name of Luton Town and have the opportunity to play in the club's colours against 110 other schools representing their local professional club.

If you would like your school to enter this tournament please ask the Headteacher or the Teacher responsible for Football to call me on 01582 391927 and I will send an information pack by return.

Additionally Luton Town have been

asked to host the regional finals for 2009 and we are, of course, delighted to accept. I think the fact that we have now hosted the regional final twice in the last four years speaks volumes for the professionalism and organisational ability of our staff.

The regional finals will take place at Baldock Arena, Norton Road Baldock on Tuesday 21st April 2009. This is a fantastic venue; which is the training facility used by our boys and girls Centre of Excellence and the opportunity to play there is just another reason to enter the tournament.

Below is a picture of Bramingham Primary School's Year 6 team who were the winners of our local competition last season.

Enjoy the game
Stuart Smith



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TOUR SPONSORS

Good afternoon and welcome to this afternoon's game. Although we are only halfway through the season the time is already on us to start planning for next season's trial procedures.

We have received a number of phone calls requesting information and a place on the trials for next season.

At the moment we are in the process of confirming dates and venues for these trials. These will be confirmed at the end of January.

In the meantime I can provide you with the following information; if you would like to trial call me on 01582 391927 we will put you on our waiting list and send you information as soon as it is available.

Enjoy the game
Stuart Smith



HERE COME THE GIRLS?

The Boy's Centre of Excellence at Luton Town Football Club enjoys plenty of publicity and recognition for the excellent work it does in producing young stars.

The Premier Division and the Football League is rich with young talent that the Club's Youth Department has produced over the years.

However are you aware that the Club also has a Full Time Centre of Excellence for Girls?

Since the beginning of the season the Centre, under the guidance of Director Stuart Smith, has taken part in a full time programme playing against top teams such as Chelsea, Arsenal and Liverpool.

So, if you're a girl in school years 2-10 would you be interested in finding

out what its like to play football at that level? Luton Town Centre of Excellence is holding a 'taster day' on 14th February at Crawley Green Sports and Social Club between the hours of 2.00pm and 5:00pm.

During this time the participants will be able to take part in sessions run by the Centre of Excellence UEFA A and B Licence Coaches to experience the very best in technical and skills coaching on offer in the County.

So how about it girls? Players of all abilities are welcome to come along and take part.

All participants will receive a certificate of participation, and a special Luton Town medal to commemorate the day.

Simply call the Centre on 01582 391927 to register your interest or find out more.



On Friday January 2nd, the Under 9 Luton Town Centre of Excellence team set off from Luton Airport to take part in the 20th Euro Cup, based in Gladbeck near Dortmund in Germany.



We look to take all of our teams to compete in European indoor tournaments in January/February each year. When people talk about why we fall behind our European counterparts when developing young players, we believe that indoor "futsal" is one major reason why. Across Europe, youth football closes down in January and February. Rather than forcing young players to battle against the elements on muddy pitches, the football goes indoor and the emphasis is on technique, passing and moving.

Despite the early meet at 5 a.m. the boys seemed wide awake for the short flight, but nothing could prepare them for the minus six temperature and snow! The transfer from the airport went via Schalke's impressive football complex. Six training pitches, an old 80,000 stadium (currently being converted into flats) and the unbelievable Veltins Arena.

The stadium was completed in 2004, and was the first stadium in Europe to be given a 5 star rating by UEFA. As well as hosting Bundesliga games, the arena also hosts over 200 other events per year. To make this possible the pitch rolls out of the stadium for 320 days a year due to the roof being closed on the arena. The stadium has terraces that convert into seated areas for European and International

games, its own chapel and a cubicle TV monitor overhanging the pitch weighing over 30 tonnes.

The most impressive statistics however concern Schalke's supporters. Since opening, games have sold at 99.6% capacity, not bad when you can fit almost 70,000 people in for each match! There is no cash accepted in the stadium, all spectators must use pre-paid credit cards to speed up transactions. Beer is sold before games, but it doesn't come from barrels or bottles. To save time it is all piped in from four enormous tanks under the stadium. Over 30,000 pints are sold per game.

The players had a great time doing a press conference, visiting the dressing rooms and sitting in the President's seat.

On the Friday evening we played three friendly games, which we were able to video for analysis. This allowed us to put highlight packages together stressing the importance of the three aims for the weekend:

- *Pass the ball simply, early and quickly.
- *Look to shoot off 1 or 2 touches.
- *Be responsible for your player defensively.

On Saturday morning we were in a group of four, and after wins against lower league teams in the morning we played Eintracht Frankfurt, founder members of the Bundesliga and former UEFA Cup Champions. A narrow 2-1 defeat didn't reflect the game where we created, but failed to convert chances.



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Finishing second in the group was enough to qualify for the second group stages, where individual errors cost us against Duisburg before we won comfortably against Wattenscheid to qualify for the quarter-finals.

We felt that the boys had begun to adjust to the demands of the indoor game by this stage and we were quietly confident going into the game against tournament favourites, Bundesliga side Arminia Bielefeld. After falling behind early on, we played at a great tempo and blew the opposition away to win 4-1. This really made the 400 strong crowd sit up and notice us, and it was great to hear the Bielefeld players stay and cheer us on.

The semi-final meant a rematch against Championship side MVSV Duisburg. We felt that they would underestimate us after our earlier defeat and this proved to be right as we controlled the game and won 2-0. This meant a final against nine-time German Champions FC Nuremberg, but we had won the Battle of Hearts and Minds, meaning that the large crowd were supporting Luton! After conceding two early goals, we battled back and halved the deficit before half-time. After that we were camped out in the opposition half but due to some good goalkeeping we were unable to equalise. The boys were heartbroken after coming so close, but were soon cheered up with all of the German teams wanting their photos

taken with the "famous" Luton Town team that had come so close to victory.

The big emphasis that Alan Neilson and I have tried to put in place with all young players at Luton is one of personal discipline. It was therefore particularly pleasing to hear the compliments from our hosts for how disciplined on and off the pitch. Little things such as shaking hands with people, trying to speak in German when possible, and ensuring that tables are cleared and cleaned after dinner set good standards for young players lives regardless of whether they make it as a footballer or not.



On the Sunday we played in a smaller event against more local teams, and we won the tournament comfortably. We were again pleased with the style of passing football we were able to play, and the individual skills shown by our players. The host club Gladbeck took us back to their clubhouse for dinner and a table football tournament before we flew back into Luton, to be greeted by a large group of parents complete with a great Luton banner!

The tour was a great success and considering it was the first time this age group had been abroad, the attitude of the players was first class. On the pitch the learning curve was steep, but to be able to pass and move the ball at the tempo we did was a great credit to players aged eight and nine. Finally, it was great PR for the football club, and ensured that the great reputation that Luton Town's Youth Policy has now spread into Europe!

Squad: Conor Eblett, Alex Taylor, Jack Scott, Niall Kately, Jake Peck, Sam Gibson, Arthur Read, Joe Mead & Adam Mason.

Player of Tour -

On Pitch:	Sam Gibson
Off Pitch:	Adam Mason
Overall:	Joe Mead

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Having spoken about the successes of the youth section in 2008 I am delighted to be able to report that the senior section of the club concluded its best season to date and have continued that progress into the new season concluding with a major award from the FA.

The first team began the year in the South West Combination League and continued to challenge for promotion until the latter stages of the season when Reading ran away with the title. In spite of their eventual dominance it was Luton that pushed them the hardest taking a 3-1 lead on their ground and only conceding a 94th minute equaliser in a pulsating 3-3 draw.

It has always been the aim of the Club to continue to improve on our performance year on year and we have again achieved that aim with a best ever sixth place finish gaining 34 points, scoring 56 goals and losing just six matches. Our form on the road was again excellent with highlights including a 6-3 away win against QPR, 6-0 at Southampton

and record 10 goal haul against Frome Town.

The silverware for the season was provided when we were crowned County Champions after a crushing 5-1 win over Bedford Town Bells in the final. This was the first time the Club have lifted the trophy and has acted as an inspiration to move forward in search of more success.

During the summer the FA decided that Luton was more suited to the South East Combination and so we were moved across into a new league and things could hardly have started better with a tremendous 7-0 away win over Northampton Town. During the summer, as with any football club, players had come and gone but with the reliance on home grown youth players the team had grown even stronger albeit less experienced. The young guns then strung together a club record seven straight league wins over Tottenham, Cambridge City, Gillingham, Enfield Town, Wellingborough and Bedford Town to lead the table with a 100% record. Since then, cup matches

have somewhat dominated proceedings progressing to the County Cup quarter-finals and beginning an unbroken FA Cup run which has included away wins at Dagenham & Redbridge (3-2), Swindon Town (6-2) and National League Brighton & Hove Albion (1-0), the latter of which brought the coveted FA Cup performance of the round award. Weather permitting the Fourth Round tie against Premier League Blackburn Rovers will take place on Sunday where we will be tested against some of the very best professional players.

Moving into 2009 we currently sit in second place in the table a point behind the leaders and must aim to put together another straight run of victories which will again put our destiny into our own hands.

The Reserve and Under-16 squads also had a strong year and the young players are there and developing in numbers to supplement our push for National League status in the coming months.

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After two postponements had prevented new signing Ian Henderson from making his debut, the Hatters' new striker was delighted to finally put that frustration behind him to start in the 2-2 draw at Chester.

The original game with Chester and the home game against Rotherham both fell foul of the weather and the Town's the 23-year-old forward was disappointed he couldn't make his debut sooner.

Henderson bemoaned the fact the Chester match was called off, saying, "It was so frustrating, we got up there and planned for the game, we had breakfast as usual and then the boys said the game's off, and I thought they were winding me up. Then the manager said we're leaving at half 10 and it was just really disappointing because I was so excited to be playing football again."

After failing to break his duck at his previous club, Northampton Town, Henderson found himself fighting for his place in the Cobblers first-team through the reserves. However, it was in the Northampton reserves where the Hatters developed their interest in the 23-year-old.

Henderson said, "It was really frustrating at Northampton because I didn't really play many first-team games whilst I was there.

"I played in the reserves against Luton, and played reasonably well. Mick spoke to Sammo [Ian Sampson], the reserve team coach at Northampton, and he said he liked me and things just snowballed from there."

Now the Hatters have escaped the clutches of negative points, Henderson admitted he wasn't deterred by the prospect of putting in the hard work required in the second half of the season to play his part in the revival.

"It's a challenge, but I went to Rotherham when they were in a similar position. I'm not afraid to work hard and try and get results for Luton," explained the striker.

Having started his career at Norwich City and staying there until his move to Northampton in 2007, Henderson's first days at Kenilworth Road became a far less nerve-wracking experience, having befriended all of the ex-Norwich players who now ply their trade with the Hatters whilst at Carrow Road.

The 23-year-old explained, "It was weird, normally I'd be a bit nervous coming to a new club but it was like I was meeting up with old friends again.



"I know all of them. I know Paul [McVeigh] really well - we went on holiday together when we were at Norwich. I know Rossi [Jarvis], Chrissy [Martin] and Micky [Spillane], and I knew of Sol Davis before I came, so a high percentage of the team are ex-Canaries."

As part of the decision making process, whilst considering the offer from Luton, Henderson admitted that speaking to the former Norwich players confirmed his belief that he was poised to join the right club.

"I'd made my mind up but I spoke to a couple of the lads and they only had positive things to say about the club, the manager and the board," said the forward.

The postponement of the Rotherham game also denied Henderson an opportunity to play against a side he was on-loan at for five months in 2007.

"I went to Rotherham when I was 20/21, I felt I did reasonably well but couldn't help them stay up. I played a lot of games for them, 20-odd games however I think the team has changed a lot since I was there, I only know a few of their players now."

Now in a similar situation at Kenilworth Road, Henderson was optimistic about the challenge in store for the Hatters, and spoke of his desire to keep battling until the final game of the season.

He said, "There's always hope, as long as we're mathematically in the equation we're going to keep on fighting until the end."

Like every other new signing to have arrived at Kenilworth Road, the 23-year-old's main priority is to get back to playing first-team football on a regular basis, revealing that his primary aims were to "play as many games and keep fit for as long as I can."

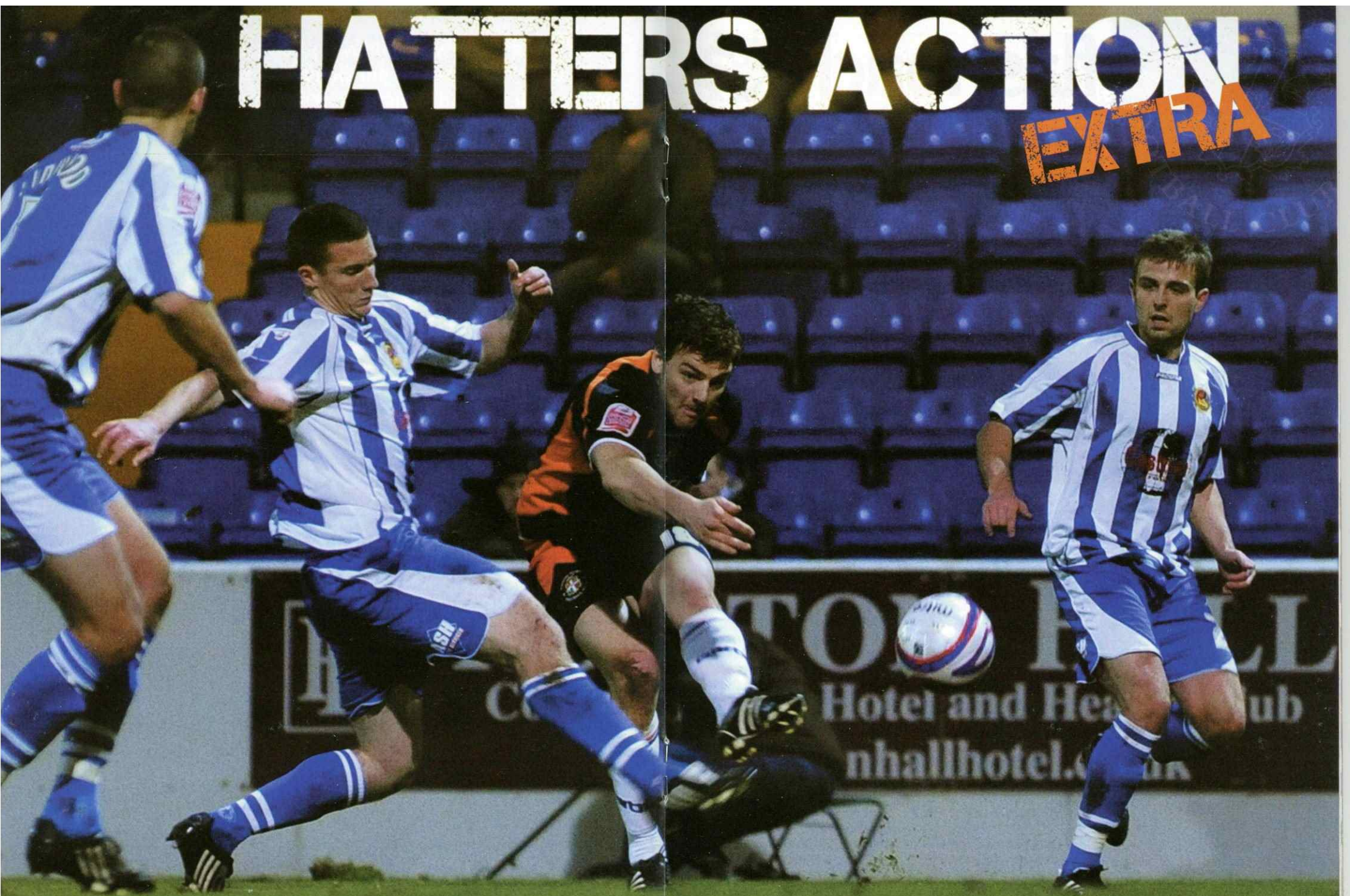
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IAN HENDERSON

HATTERS ACTION

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CHRIS MARTIN FIRES IN HIS SEVENTH GOAL OF THE SEASON TO HELP THE HATTERS ON THEIR WAY TO REACHING ZERO POINTS AT CHESTER



flashback



Club Historian Roger Wash looks back at a previous clash with the Bantams

After the major disappointment of failing to win back-to-back promotions at the end of the 1968/69 campaign, the subsequent loss of crowd favourite Bruce Rioch to Aston Villa for a record fee – and no apparent signings of substance to fill the void – the new season approached with a major feeling of anti-climax.

Unknown 19-year-old full-back signing from Fulham, Malcolm Macdonald, had been pushed further and further upfield due to a spate of injuries in the pre-



■ Matt Tees rises to head in the first.

season games and he proved a revelation as the Town started with a 3-0 home victory over Barrow and then came back from Bournemouth with both points after a 1-0 win.

Macdonald was starting to bang in the goals and with manager Alec Stock finally loosening the purse strings, after waiting for the right players, bringing in centre-half Chris Nicholl from Halifax and striker Matt Tees from Charlton for a joint £60,000, everyone at Kenilworth Road had a spring in their step once more. The Hatters went 13 games without defeat from the start of the season until losing 2-0 to a good Doncaster side at Belle Vue before a crowd of 17,380.

They soon put this set-back behind them putting together another seven match unbeaten run leading up to an F.A.Cup

game against non-League Hillingdon in early December. Seemingly running away with it at the top of the old Division Three, the Town were expected to cruise to victory against their lowly opposition, and, after Tees headed the opening goal on seven minutes, Luton supporters settled back waiting for a cricket score.

Sadly, the rout did not take place and instead it was the Southern League leaders who fought back to eventually take the tie 2-1. Whether it was 'failing to respect the opposition', Hillingdon 'playing above themselves' or the 'FA Cup is a great leveller' you could throw any footballing cliché you like at it, but this major shock had happened and was a huge embarrassment. The Town could now 'concentrate on the League', and hopefully get back onto the



■ More goalmouth action with hat-trick hero Macdonald (7) waiting to pounce.

winning trail against Bradford City the following Saturday.

The game.
Luton Town 5 Bradford City 0
13th December 1969

As well as getting back to winning ways the Town had a couple of scores to settle with the Bantams as they had never beaten them in seven previous League meetings, and, during the Division Four championship winning season of 1967/68, City had been the only side to win at Kenilworth Road.

Unbeaten at home in all competitions since then, 20 months previously, the Town kept the same side that had lost at Hillingdon with the sole exception being Macdonald and

John Collins swapping shirts as 'supporters were expecting someone in a number 7 shirt to run up and down the right wing'.

Midfielder Collins, who had fallen out with the crowd a little, was given the number 8 shirt to let it be known he was playing in midfield while Macdonald could wear whichever shirt he liked as he was by now beyond reproach! This top versus second clash attracted a pre-Christmas crowd of 11,857 to Kenilworth Road and it was not long before the disappointments of the previous week were seen as a distant memory.

After 10 minutes Tees rose like a salmon to head in a Graham

French corner and four minutes later Macdonald anticipated a weak back pass from Denis Atkins and ran on to smash the ball past Pat Liney in the City goal.

The Bantams probably realised it was not going to be their day when, just before the interval, their striker Bobby Ham saw his shot rebound off a post to French who set off on a dazzling run down the wing before centering to Collins who netted with a first time strike. The game died a little in the second half and it was not until the closing minutes that the Town added to their score.

To cap a miserable afternoon for the Bantams, they were reduced to 10 men with 15 minutes left when, having used their substitute, they saw Tony Leighton carried off with a knee injury.

The Hatters upped their play after this and Macdonald went through on a 40 yard run before hammering in a, by now, trademark goal. In the final minute he was brought down in the area by Atkins after another surging run, and, after taking a none-too convincing penalty, marched off with the match ball moments later.

Luton Town: Davie, Ryan, Bannister, Keen, Nicholl, Slough, Macdonald, Collins, Tees (Phillips), Allen, French.

Bradford City: Liney, Atkins, Cooper, Stowell, Hallett, Leighton, Hall, Ham, Corner, Bannister, Middleton (McConnell).

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LUTON TOWN 3



Martin 31, 33, Roper 50

LINCOLN CITY 2



John-Lewis 38, Patulea 90

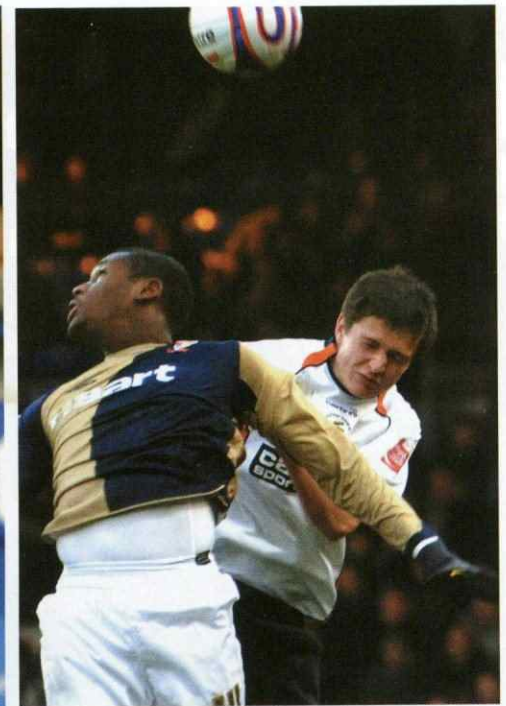
Luton Town: Logan, Keane, Roper, Emanuel, Jarvis, Martin (sub Gnakpa 90), Talbot (sub Howells 75), Spillane, Craddock, Beavan, Gallen. Subs not used: Brill, Davis, McVeigh.

Lincoln City: Burch, Brown, Kovacs, Beevers, Sinclair, Frecklington (sub Oakes 63), Kerr, N'Guessan, John-Lewis (sub Patulea 62), Hone, Mullarkey. Subs not used: Duffy, Graham, Clarke.

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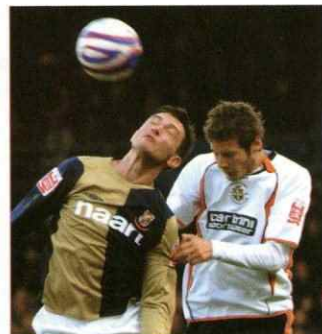
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MAN OF THE MATCH
 Michael Spillane



The on-loan Norwich defender's talents going forward are just as vital to the Hatters; epitomised by his two crosses to set-up goals for Chris Martin and Ian Roper.



POST-MATCH VERDICT

Mick Harford: "We are in a position where we have to win games - we started with four strikers on the pitch and it was adventurous. I thought we deserved the victory and it was a very good performance."

Peter Jackson: "I'm disappointed we've dropped three points today. We have given three really poor goals away and it was just two silly minutes that's cost us while we controlling the game."



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IAN ROPER

Over the past few months the Hatters' commanding centre back Ian Roper has played an instrumental role in helping Luton move onto zero points.

More renowned for his work in his own penalty area, rather than the opposition's, the festive period sprang not one but two surprises, as the 31-year-old scored two vital headed goals in as many days.

"I'm playing well at the minute I hope it can continue," said the former Walsall man.

"The goals are a bonus but it's not really my game - I've not scored a great deal of goals in my career but they're all a bonus."

The defender explained that he feels he's back to full fitness following a stint in the reserves, and is now playing his best football after a shaky first match against Port Vale.

"I wasn't really fit for the first game of the season and I only played because the manager said so, it's just one of those things. I got some games under my belt playing reserve matches and it's paying off now."

Roper's dramatic Boxing Day equaliser against Chesterfield came six minutes into stoppage time, and the defender said that this hard-earned point helped show the commitment and belief running through the Hatters' squad at present.

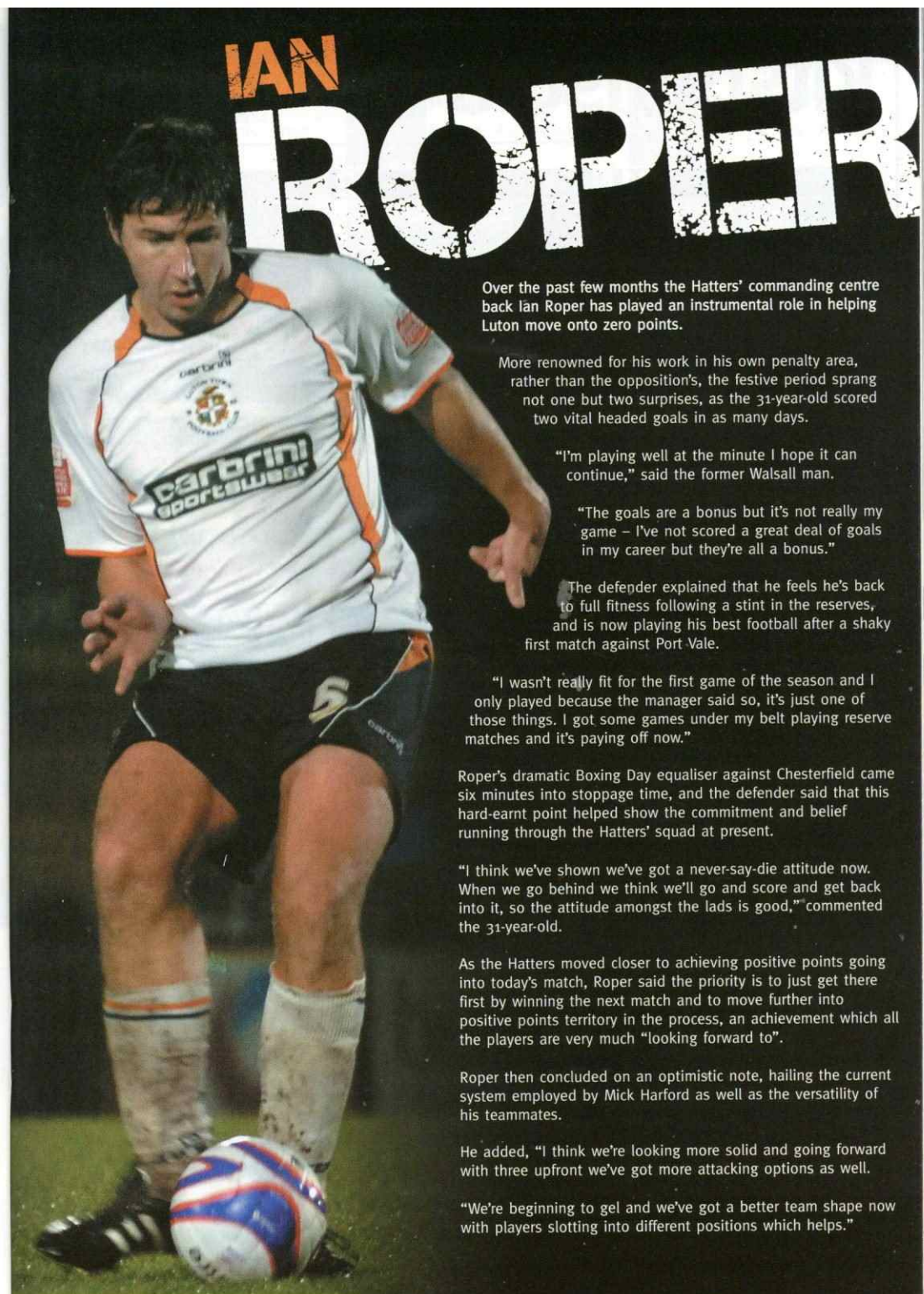
"I think we've shown we've got a never-say-die attitude now. When we go behind we think we'll go and score and get back into it, so the attitude amongst the lads is good," commented the 31-year-old.

As the Hatters moved closer to achieving positive points going into today's match, Roper said the priority is to just get there first by winning the next match and to move further into positive points territory in the process, an achievement which all the players are very much "looking forward to".

Roper then concluded on an optimistic note, hailing the current system employed by Mick Harford as well as the versatility of his teammates.













He added, "I think we're looking more solid and going forward with three upfront we've got more attacking options as well.


"We're beginning to gel and we've got a better team shape now with players slotting into different positions which helps."



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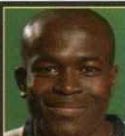





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On Monday voting closed for the Mitre Goal of the Year award which will be one of the awards given at the end-of-season Football League Awards in March.

All 72 clubs in the league asked supporters to nominate their favourite goal of 2008 from the thousands scored during the calendar year with the most popular goal going forward as their clubs' nomination.

We asked Hatters fans to email in their nomination and Kevin Gallen's scorching free-kick against AFC Bournemouth on 2nd December came out on top amongst the hundreds of entries we received.

It was Gallen's first goal for the club which went a long way to securing a valuable point in a thrilling 3-3 against the Town's relegation rivals.

On his goal, Gallen said: "It was a good strike, I don't usually score from that far out but it was one of those where I fancied it and as were losing I went for it."

"I got my head down and smashed it through the wall and luckily for me and everyone it went in."

Other popular suggestions for our goal of the year included Chris Martin's long-range strike against Lincoln City in the last match of 2008, Sol Davis' well-executed strike to finish off a flowing move

against Dagenham and Redbridge and Tom Craddock's last-gasp equaliser on his debut at Grimsby Town in October.

Gallen's goal has been put forward to form one of the 72 club nominations which will then be shortlisted down to five goals overall.

Then, in conjunction with viewers and presenters of Soccer AM, the voting will take place on the Sky show so keep your eyes peeled to take part in the vote.

The winner will be decided at the Awards ceremony at Grosvenor House, Park Lane on Sunday 29th March.



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TUESDAY 13TH JANUARY 2009
 COCA-COLA LEAGUE TWO 7.45PM
 THE DEVA STADIUM, CHESTER
 ATT: 1,652

CHESTER 2

Lowe 37 (pen) Ellison 52

LUTON TOWN 2

Martin 22, Emanuel 27

TEAMS:

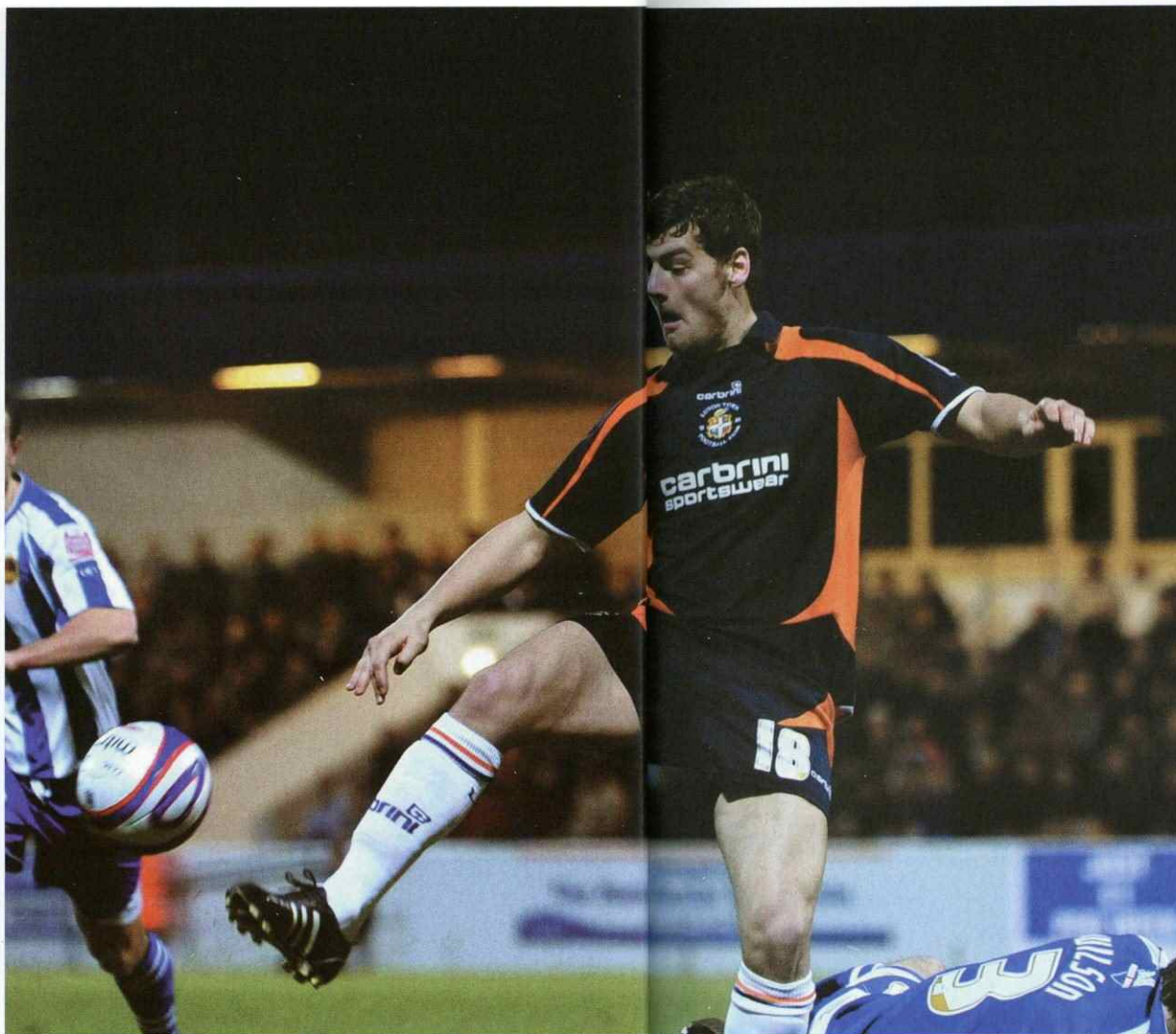
Chester City: Danby, Vaughan, Linwood, Wilson, Ellison (Harris 78), Hughes, Mozika, Lowe, Roberts, Partridge (Barry 66), Kelly.
 Unused subs: Platt, Rutherford, McManus.

Luton Town: Logan, Keane, Roper, Henderson, Emanuel (Howells 45), Jarvis, Martin, Spillane, Beavan, Craddock, Gallen. Unused subs: Brill, Gnakpa, McVeigh, Hall.

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MAN OF THE MATCH
 Chris Martin



Town Manager Mick Harford praised the on-loan striker for his excellent all-round display which was underlined by a fantastic strike to open the scoring.



POST-MATCH VERDICT

Mick Harford: "They got a very, very dubious penalty. If we'd gone in at half-time in the lead it would have been a completely different game, we could have been three or four nil up. The disappointing thing for me tonight is we've conceded two goals from set pieces."

Mark Wright: "Luton were better in the first half, but I thought we were better in the second half. There was a lot of good football played, a lot of endeavour, and I think it was a good game for the supporters. Their second goal looked a great free kick from where I was, but it went through the wall so it was disappointing from our point of view."



MANAGERIAL RECORDS

Mick Harford	Stuart McCall
Played 47 Won 9 Drawn 13 Lost 25	Played 71 Won 28 Drawn 19 Lost 24
For 50 Against 76	For 104 Against 89
Av Pts/game 0.85	Av Pts/game 1.45
Biggest Win(s) Luton 3 Oldham 0 (15/03/2008). Biggest Loss(es) Darlington 5 Luton 1 (17/01/2009).	Biggest Win(s) Bradford 4 Morecambe 0 (28/12/2008). Biggest Loss(es) Bradford 0 Accrington S 3 (02/10/2007).

MANAGER HEAD TO HEAD RECORD

Played ..1	Mick Harford	0	Stuart McCall.....	0
Draws ..1	Goals 1		Goals 1	

Player with the most...	Luton Town Football Club	Bradford City	Player with the most...
shots	Chris Martin 43	Michael Boulding 51	shots
shots on target	Chris Martin 24	Michael Boulding 26	shots on target
shots off target	Chris Martin 19	Omar Daley 26	shots off target
assists	Rossi Jarvis 6	Joe Colbeck 6	assists
crosses	Rossi Jarvis 57	Paul McLaren 26	crosses
fouls	Chris Martin 36	Paul McLaren 35	fouls
free-kicks-won	Chris Martin 34	Omar Daley 31	free-kicks-won

SHARP SHOOTERS

Luton	CCFL Cup	Tot	Bradford	CCFL Cup	Tot
Chris Martin	7	1	8	Peter Thorne	11
Tom Craddock	4	0	4	Michael Boulding	9
Asa Hall	3	1	4	Barry Conlon	8

TEAM HEAD TO HEAD RECORD

Played11	Luton wins.....	3	Bradford wins	4
Draws4	Goals 18 (1.6 per game)		Goals 14 (1.3 per game)	
0-0's1	Times failed to score 2		Times failed to score 4	

Biggest League win at Luton for each team:

13/12/1969 Luton 5-0 Bradford
27/04/1968 Luton 1-3 Bradford



2008/09 LEAGUE STATS

24	Position	4
25	Played	25
7	Won	11
9	Drawn	8
9	Lost	6
33	Goals For	41
40	Goals Against	28
0	Points	41

Record Against Top Half of Table

W	D	L	RANK	W	D	L	RANK
6	2	5	4	3	4	5	13

Record Against Bottom Half of Table

W	D	L	RANK	W	D	L	RANK
1	7	4	22	8	4	1	3

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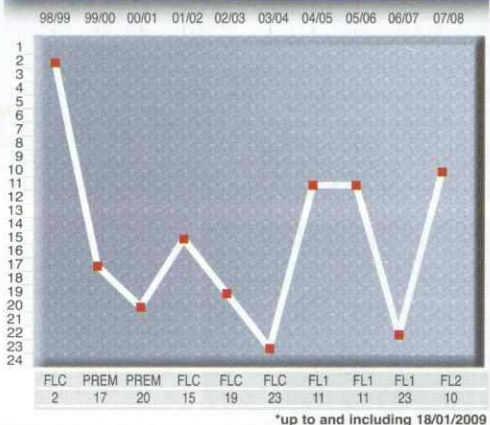
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Match Scores

Wins: 1-0[2], 2-1[2], 3-1[2], 3-2[1],	Wins: 1-0[1], 2-0[4], 2-1[1], 3-1[1],
Losses: 0-1[2], 0-2[1], 0-3[1], 1-2[3],	3-2[2], 4-0[1], 4-1[1], Losses: 0-1[1],
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2-2[3], 3-3[1]	0-0[3], 1-1[3], 2-2[1], 3-3[1]

BRADFORD - TEN SEASON RECORD



*up to and including 18/01/2009

CHRIS MARTIN

Hatters' striker Chris Martin netted his seventh goal of the season against Chester City, and after Lewis Emanuel doubled the lead just before the half hour mark it appeared the Town were in cruise control.

However, the Blues fought back to rescue themselves a 2-2 draw, leaving Martin and co. to rue their own mistakes, as well as a rather dubious penalty decision.

After the draw Martin revealed: "There's a lot of disappointed faces in the dressing room. It's a bit gutting to concede two goals and draw the game but I think we have to try and take the positives out of it as much as we can."

Chester's first goal came in controversial fashion as the referee Evans penalised Michael Spillane for an apparent foul on Kevin Ellison. But Martin, along with everyone else of a Hatters persuasion inside the Deva Stadium, were less than convinced that the spot-kick should have been awarded.

"I think the penalty was very soft, I don't think it should have been given but what can you do?" said the 20-year-old.

"I thought we were playing really well up until they got the penalty. If we'd gone into half-time at 2-0, it could have been a different story."

Despite the Hatters missing the chance to grab all three points against Chester, a draw was enough to ensure the Town would no longer be in minus points territory again this season, a consolation which the Norwich loanee was contented by.

"Obviously we'd like to be on two points right now but hopefully we can regain those points in the weeks to come," said the on-loan Norwich City striker.

Emanuel Lewis's serious injury resulted in a lengthy hold-up in play, and Martin believed that this could have been a factor in the Town's lapse in concentration.

He said: "It looked a bit nasty and hopefully he'll make a full recovery. It probably affected both teams because of the long delay and it's hard to get going after that."

Martin praised the attacking 4-3-3 formation which led to the Hatters racking up an impressive eight-match unbeaten streak.

"We've created a hell of a lot of chances and hopefully we can keep on taking them, and hopefully some more keep coming my way so I can get a few more goals!" smiled the 20-year-old.

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A REVIEW OF EVENTS AROUND COCA-COLA LEAGUE TWO



Hatters' manager Mick Harford was in the running to pick up the Manager of the Month award for December but was pipped by Dagenham and Redbridge boss John Still.

Still also beat off competition from Rotherham boss Mark Robins and Andy Scott of Brentford to pick up the monthly accolade after the Daggers picked up 10 points from their four games last month.

After collecting a point in a 1-1 draw at Bradford on December 6, the Victoria Road outfit won their next three fixtures against Macclesfield, Gillingham and Aldershot.

Dagenham's good form has helped propel the Londoners up to fourth in the table.



Brentford midfielder Marcus Bean, meanwhile, picked up the Player of the Month award after his three goals helped the Bees to record 10 points from their four games in December.

The former Queens Park Rangers and Blackpool man netted a last-gasp winner against Bradford City and scored twice against Exeter to help keep the Bees in contention at the top of the division.



The Hatters relegation rivals AFC Bournemouth parted company with manager Jimmy Quinn on New Year's Eve. Quinn paid the price for a run of just two wins in 11 league games which left the Cherries just eight points above the Town in the League 2 standings.

Former Bournemouth defender Eddie Howe has taken over the role for the rest of the season, after initially serving as caretaker manager.



In another managerial change in the division, Barnet boss Paul Fairclough announced he was moving upstairs at Underhill to become a director at the club after five years in charge. Fairclough's last game in charge was a 2-0 win at Bournemouth and the Bees moved quickly to promote Assistant Manager Ian Hendon as Fairclough's successor.



Three sides from League 2 were involved in the Third Round of the FA Cup – and all faced sides from a higher division.

Chesterfield, who were only reinstated, after Droylsden were thrown out of the competition for fielding an ineligible player in their replayed second round tie, were finally knocked out of the competition suffering a 3-0 defeat at Ipswich.

Macclesfield hosted Premier League Everton at Moss Rose and made life difficult for their more illustrious visitors who only made it through to the Fourth Round courtesy of a single goal from midfielder Leon Osman.



Gillingham fared no better when entertaining Aston Villa who arrived at Priestfield fourth in the Premier League. After falling behind to a James Milner goal, Simeon Jackson fired home a deserved equaliser for the Gills, but there was to be no Third Round fairytale for any of the League Two sides when Milner, celebrating his 23rd Birthday converted a late penalty to send Villa through.

TODAY'S FIXTURES

Accrington Stanley v Barnet
Bournemouth v Wycombe Wanderers
Bury v Aldershot
Chesterfield v Morecambe
Dagenham & Redbridge v Rochdale
Gillingham v Exeter City
Grimsby Town v Rotherham United
Lincoln City v Chester City
Luton Town v Bradford City
Macclesfield Town v Brentford
Notts County v Port Vale
Shrewsbury Town v Darlington



ALL ABOUT ME & MY TEAM

My name is Martin Smith and I live in Tring and have supported the Town for over 40 years, home and away. I have now seen the town on well over a hundred grounds around the country and at Kenilworth Road, I sit in the main enclosure with my Uncle.

I have tried to pick players from the best teams I have watched over the years and could easily have picked Macdonald, Rioch and Hill who all have been heroes of mine over the years. I believe the team I have picked has a good blend of ability and the correct balance and would be match for anyone.

GOALKEEPER SANDY DAVIE

Scottish Under 21 Goalkeeper who I remember as being very brave and courageous. Signed from Dundee United and a goalkeeper I remember from my early days supporting the Town.

RIGHT BACK JOHN RYAN

Strong full-back who I remember having a great shot and made a lot of great runs down the wing scoring and creating many goals.

LEFT BACK STEVE BUCKLEY

A great left-back who had a great left foot, he was popular for his shooting and runs down the wing.

CENTRE BACK CHRIS NICHOLL

I remember him having a good game against us for Halifax and signing the next day, and subsequently becoming a towering presence in the Luton defence.

CENTRE BACK MAL DONAGHY

A solid defender signed by David Pleat from Larne in Northern Ireland, A very reliable defender who popped up occasionally with some vital goals - particularly in the promotion season of 1982.

RIGHT MIDFIELD GRAHAM FRENCH

What a Player! The poor man's George Best. Graham was a crowd-pleaser with his pace and ability to beat a player. Best remembered for one of the best goals ever seen at Luton against Mansfield.

CENTRE MIDFIELD PETER ANDERSON

Signed from Hendon, a competitive midfielder who scored his fair share of goals. He is best known for being sold to Antwerp to save the Town from going in to liquidation.

CENTRE MIDFIELD ALAN WEST

A cultured midfielder who I would have as captain of my team. A midfielder of skill and vision who helped us get promotion in 1974.

LEFT MIDFIELD DAVID MOSS

Signed From Swindon in 1978 and was a key member of the 1982 promotion team. Well known for his crosses and his ability at dead ball situations. I remember a great goal he scored away at Cambridge - amongst many others!

STRIKER MICK HARFORD

This was a difficult choice between Malcolm Macdonald and Mick Harford. I have gone for Mick because he was a better target man and would love to be on the end of Moss's crosses. A great servant to the club and one of the best centre forwards we have had.

STRIKER PAUL WALSH

A player who I consider to be one of the most skilful players I have seen in a Luton shirt and who can forget that first season in Division 1 where he mesmerised defences around the country. He had electric pace and brilliant close control.



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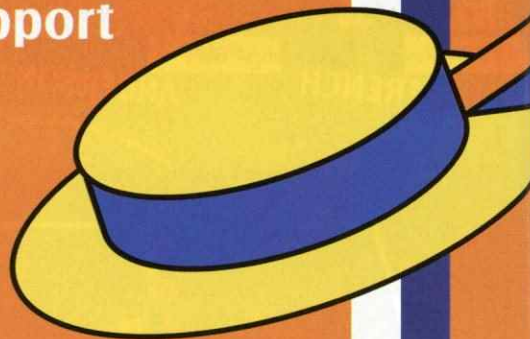
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After a 2-2 draw at Chester City moved the Town out of minus points and onto zero, we take a look back at how the Hatters got back in the black.

August 16
GILLINGHAM 0-1 LUTON
POINTS: -27
KEY GAME:



A solitary goal from Sam Parkin gives the Hatters a 1-0 win at Gillingham securing their first points of the season.

August 23
LUTON 1-1 NOTTS COUNTY
POINTS: -26



August 30
EXETER 0-1 LUTON
POINTS: -23
KEY GAME:



Another header from Sam Parkin brings the Town a second victory of the season at St James Park.

September 13
LUTON 3-1 ALDERSHOT
POINTS: -20
KEY MOMENT:



The Hatters collect their first home win of the season and have now knocked 10 points off the deficit thanks to goals from Michael Spillane, Asa Hall and Chris Martin

September 27
LUTON 1-1 CHESTER
POINTS: -19



October 4
BRADFORD 1-1 LUTON
POINTS: -18



October 21
GRIMSBY 2-2 LUTON
POINTS: -17



October 25
BURY 1-2 LUTON
POINTS: -14
KEY GAME:



After scoring twice on his debut at Grimsby, on-loan Middlesbrough striker Tom Craddock opens the scoring at Gigg Lane and Ian Roper's first goal for the club gives the Hatters another away win.



November 15
LUTON 2-1 DAGENHAM & REDBRIDGE
POINTS: -11



December 2
LUTON 3-3 BOURNEMOUTH
POINTS: -10
KEY GAME:



In the battle of the two sides at the bottom of the table, Paul McVeigh's penalty five minutes from time gives the Hatters a crucial point after the Cherries had led twice.

December 6
LUTON 3-1 BARNET
POINTS: -7



December 13
WYCOMBE 0-0 LUTON
POINTS: -6
KEY GAME:
A point at the league leaders moves the Hatters to within just two victories of the zero mark.



December 20
LUTON 1-1 MORECAMBE
POINTS: -5



December 26
CHESTERFIELD 2-2 LUTON
POINTS: -4
KEY GAME:



Ian Roper heads an equaliser six minutes into injury time to preserve the Town's unbeaten run and move them a point closer to their target.

December 28
LUTON 3-2 LINCOLN
POINTS: -1
KEY GAME:



The Hatters move to within one point of zero with victory over the Imps with two goals from Chris Martin and another header from Ian Roper.

January 13
CHESTER 2-2 LUTON
POINTS: 0



After 24 matches the 30 point deduction is wiped out following a draw at the Deva Stadium. The Town lead 2-0 at one stage and but eventually have to settle for a share of the spoils.

HATTERS MERCHANDISE



Junior Watters



Welcome to all Junior Hatters to today's match with Bradford City. I would like to say a big hello to all the junior supporters from Bradford at the game today.

It was disappointing the home game with Rotherham was called off so it seems ages since we were last at Kenilworth Road when we beat Lincoln 3-2. The lads are now on zero points so our season starts today! Get behind the team today and we could be on plus points come 5 o'clock this afternoon.

Happy Harry



Today's Mascot:
Please give a warm welcome to today's mascot who is 11-year-old Lewis Baxter of Dunstable.

Lewis attends Streetfield Middle School and when not watching the Hatters, he plays for Beecroft Rovers. He also enjoys playing cricket and computer games. He has a season

ticket in the Kenilworth Road end and sits with his Dad and Grandad.

Today Lewis will get to lead the team out onto the pitch and come face to face with his favourite player, Kevin Nicholls.

Today's Ballboys:
Please welcome our two ballboys for this afternoon's match:

- 12-year-old Nathan Denham.
- 11-year-old Ryan Cummins.

HATTERS WORDSEARCH

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TICKET NEWS

FORTHCOMING HOME FIXURES

Saturday 31st January

Bury

Kick off: 3pm Kenilworth Road



Tickets are now on general sale at normal pre-matchday prices. There will be an £2 increase for tickets purchased on the day of the game.

Tuesday 3rd February

Grimsby

Kick off: 7.45pm Kenilworth Road



Tickets are now on general sale at normal pre-matchday prices. There will be an £2 increase for tickets purchased on the day of the game.

Saturday 21st February

Shrewsbury Town

Kick off: 3.00pm Kenilworth Road



Tickets are now on general sale at normal pre-matchday prices. There will be an £2 increase for tickets purchased on the day of the game.

STANDS

PRE MATCHDAY TICKET PRICE

All Areas

Juniors (Under 10)	£5
Youth (Age 10-16)	£10
Young Adult (Age 17-21)	£15
Adult (Age 22-64)	£20
Senior (Age 65-75)	£15
Golden Senior (Over 75)	£10

Compromise Seating -

Main Enclosure A, B, H & J, Main Stand G

Juniors (Under 10)	£5
Youth (Under 17)	£10
Young Adult (Age 17-21)	£15
Adult (Age 22-64)	£15
Senior (Age 65-75)	£15
Golden Senior (Over 75)	£10

MATCHDAY VOUCHER BOOKS

(x5 tickets per book)

Juniors (Under 10) £22.50

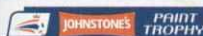
Youth (Age 10-16)	£45
Young Adult (Age 17-21)	£67.50
Adult (Age 22-64)	£90
Senior (Age 65-75)	£67.50
Golden Senior (Over 75)	£45

Tuesday 17th February 2009

Brighton & Hove Albion

Johnstone's Paint Trophy Area Final 2nd Leg

Kick off: 7.45m Kenilworth Road



This match is being screened live on Sky Sports. Tickets are now General Sale for this game.

NON SEASON TICKET HOLDERS can currently purchase non-season ticket seats until 7/2/09, when all unclaimed seats will become available.

SEASON TICKET HOLDERS have until the close of business 6/2/09 to reserve their seats, after this date these seats will be released for General Sale.

PRICES:

Adult £12.00
Senior (over 65) £12.00
Unaccompanied Under 17's £6.00
Under 17's accompanied by full paying Adult Free of charge.

Season Ticket Holders who completed the Cup Authorisation form will automatically be allocated their seat and charged accordingly.

FORTHCOMING AWAY FIXURES

Tuesday 27th January 2009

AFC Bournemouth

Kick off: 7.45m The Fitness First Stadium



Allocation: We have an initial allocation of 500 tickets for sale from Luton Town Ticket Office although tickets will be available on the night (subject to availability)

Price : Adult £16.00 Senior (Over 65) £7.00
Student (a valid NUS Card will be required) £7.00
Under 16's £7.00.

Selling Arrangements: Ticket are available on general sale and will remain on sale until 4pm Monday 26/1/09

Saturday 7th February 2009

Accrington Stanley

Kick off: 3.00pm, Crown Ground



This game is pay on the day only for Luton Town supporters, with no tickets available in advance of the match.

Price: Adult £13.00 Senior (over 65) £8.00
Under 16': £8.00

We have an allocation of 1,600 terrace tickets

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LEAGUE TWO

Tuesday 27th January 2009

AFC Bournemouth

Kick off: 7.45pm Dean Court



What's the ground like?

The ground was completely redeveloped in 2004 and comprises three stands: two on both sides and at on at one end, with an unused open area at the south end of the ground.

The stands are of roughly the same design and height and are quite smart looking, with the Main Stand having a row of executive boxes to its rear.

Each is a covered single tiered stand, with good views of the playing action. The corners of the ground are open and are home to some unusual looking floodlights.

What's it like for away supporters?

Luton fans are located in one side of the East Stand, at the side of the pitch. The normal allocation for this area is 1,500, but this can be increased to 2,000 if required. The

stand is shared with home supporters and offers a good view of the playing action and generates a good atmosphere.

Food and drink

Beer is served in the concourse along with the usual football fayre including burgers, hot dogs and pies.

For a pre-match pint, the main pub for away supporters is the Queens Park, which is situated by the Wessex Way dual carriageway. To find this pub, simply walk away from the ground, on the road going from the main entrance to the stadium. At the end of the road turn left and the pub is a little way up on the left.

How to get there by car.

Take the M1 south, M25, M3 and M27 onto the A338. Follow the A338 towards Bournemouth. The ground is situated on the left of the A338 in

the outskirts of Bournemouth. If you keep looking up to the left as you go into Bournemouth you will eventually see the tops of the ground floodlights. For those driving with satellite navigation systems, the postcode for the stadium is BH7 7AF.

Car parking

There is a large car park located at the ground. Alternatively, there is a council run car park, on the opposite side of the dual carriageway.

Luton's last visit:

It was Mick Harford's second game in charge when the Hatters lost 4-3 at Dean Court last January. After going 2-0 down, goals from Matthew Spring, Dean Morgan and Paul Furlong put the Hatters 3-2 up with 12 minutes left. But two goals in the last two minutes gave the Cherries all three points.

Travel details:

Both the Bobbers Travel Club and the Luton Town Supporters Club are running coaches to Bournemouth.

The Bobbers leave Cranfield at 2pm with pick-up points along the way before a 3pm departure from Kenilworth Road. The fare is £17 for adults and £14 for juniors and seniors. For bookings telephone 01234 856542.

LTSC leave the Maple Road car park at 3.30pm. The fare is £17 for adults and for £15 concessions. Under 7's can travel free when accompanied by a full paying adult. For bookings telephone 07960 567465.

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Team	P	W	D	L	F	A	W	D	L	F	A	GD	PTS
1 Wycombe	25	7	5	1	20	9	6	5	1	13	6	18	49
2 Brentford	24	6	5	1	19	9	5	5	2	13	9	14	43
3 Darlington	24	7	4	2	25	12	4	4	3	17	12	18	41
4 Bradford	25	6	7	1	25	15	5	1	5	16	13	13	41
5 Bury	26	6	2	4	18	11	5	5	4	18	16	9	40
6 Exeter	25	4	4	17	16	6	3	3	17	13	5	40	
7 Gillingham	25	7	4	1	23	7	4	3	6	13	27	2	40
8 Dag & Red	25	6	3	2	27	8	5	3	6	21	19	21	39
9 Shrewsbury	25	9	1	2	28	7	1	8	4	11	14	18	39
10 Rochdale	24	7	4	2	26	14	3	5	3	14	16	10	39
11 Aldershot	24	7	6	1	25	18	3	0	7	11	20	-2	36
12 Lincoln City	25	4	2	8	14	11	4	2	7	13	18	2	32
13 Chesterfield	24	3	4	4	18	17	5	3	5	22	19	4	31
14 Notts County	26	3	5	5	11	16	3	6	4	19	23	-9	29
15 Macclesfield	24	4	1	7	14	26	4	3	5	16	22	-18	28
16 Port Vale	25	4	2	8	14	25	4	1	6	12	16	-15	27
17 Morecambe	24	4	5	3	16	13	1	5	6	9	22	-10	25
18 Chester	25	4	3	6	19	17	2	3	7	10	27	-15	24
19 Rotherham	24	6	3	3	17	12	5	4	3	15	12	8	23
20 Accrington S	24	4	1	6	16	16	2	4	7	11	22	-11	23
21 Barnet	25	1	4	7	10	23	3	4	6	17	26	-22	20
22 Grimsby	24	1	4	6	10	17	2	4	7	10	25	-22	17
23 Bournemouth	25	4	4	4	10	9	1	5	7	16	28	-1	17
24 Luton	25	4	4	4	20	19	3	5	5	13	21	-7	0

2008-09 APPEARANCES

Player	This Season				Luton Career				
	App	Gls	CUPS	TOTAL	CARDS	APP GOALS			
Wayne ANDREWS	1(6)	0	2(1)	0	3(7)	0	1	10	0
Ed ASAFU-ADJAYE	3(2)	0	3	0	6(2)	0	0	15	0
George BEAVAN	3(1)	0	2	0	5(2)	0	0	9	0
Dean BRILL	6	0	1	0	7(1)	0	0	64	0
Ryan CHARLES	0(7)	1	1(1)	1	1(8)	2	1	16	3
Tom CRADDOCK	8	4	1	0	9(0)	4	2	9	9
Sol DAVIS	11	1	4(1)	0	15(1)	1	2	215	3
Lewis EMANUEL	12	1	2(1)	0	14(1)	1	1	76	5
Kevin GALLAN	11	1	0	0	11(1)	1	0	11	1
Claude GNAPKA	17(1)	1	9	1	26(1)	2	7	30	7
Asa HALL	16(3)	3	6(1)	1	22(6)	4	1	28	4
Ian HENDERSON	2(0)	0	0	0	2(0)	0	0	2	0
Jake HOWELLS	12(4)	0	6(1)	0	18(5)	0	3	17	0
Rossi JARVIS	22(3)	0	7(2)	2	29(5)	2	4	34	2
Keith KEANE	23	0	6(1)	0	29(1)	0	4	135	4
Josh KLEIN-DAVIES	0(1)	0	0	0	0(1)	0	1	1	0
Conrad LOGAN	19	0	8	0	27(0)	0	1	27	0
Chris MARTIN	23(1)	7	8(1)	1	31(2)	8	7	33	3
Paul MCVEIGH	9(4)	3	5(2)	0	14(6)	3	1	38	3
Kevin NICHOLLS	6	0	4	0	10(0)	0	2	197	33
Garreth O'CONNOR	3	0	2(2)	0	5(2)	0	1	7	0
Sam PARKIN	7(1)	3	2(1)	0	9(2)	3	3	39	9
Jordan PATRICK	0(2)	0	0	0	0(2)	0	0	2	0
George PILKINGTON	8	0	2(1)	0	10(1)	0	1	11	8
Tristan PLUMMER	0(5)	0	1(2)	1	1(7)	1	0	8	1
Marc PUGH	3(5)	0	0	0	3(5)	0	0	4	0
Ian ROPER	15	3	4	0	19(0)	3	3	49	3
Scott SINCLAIR	0	0	0(1)	0	0(1)	0	0	1	0
Michael SPILLANE	23	3	8	1	31(0)	4	6	31	4
Drew TALBOT	4(3)	0	2(2)	0	6(5)	0	1	63	5
Akanni-Sunday WASIU	0(1)	0	0	0	0(1)	0	0	1	0
Kevin WATSON	2(4)	0	2(3)	0	4(7)	0	1	11	1
Harry WORLEY	6(2)	0	1(1)	0	7(3)	0	0	10	0

stats 08/09

Date	Opponent	Score	Att	Away	Pos
August					
Sat 9	H Port Vale	FL2 L1-3	7,449	546	24
Tue 12	H Plymouth	CC W2-0	2,682	340	n/a
Sat 16	A Gillingham	FL2 W1-0	5,339	743	24
Sat 23	H Notts County	FL2 D1-1	6,085	381	24
Tue 26	A Reading	CC L1-5	7,498	745	n/a
Sat 30	A Exeter City	FL2 W1-0	5,328	745	24

September					
Sat 6	A Macclesfield	FL2 L1-2	2,349	733	24
Sat 13	H Aldershot Town	FL2 W3-1	6,462	810	24
Sat 20	A Rotherham	FL2 L0-1	4,095	866	24
Sat 27	H Chester City	FL2 D1-1	5,731	212	24

October					
Sat 4	A Bradford City	FL2 D1-1	3,883	492	24
Tue 7	H Brentford	JPT D2-2	2,029	286	n/a
Sat 11	H Darlington	FL2 L1-2	5,650	207	24
Sat 18	H Accrington	FL2 L1-2	5,492	80	24
Tue 21	A Grimsby Town	FL2 D2-2	4,021	212	24
Sat 25	A Bury	FL2 W2-1	3,052	408	24

November					
Sat 1	A Shrewsbury	FL2 L0-3	6,188	805	24
Tue 4	A Walsall	JPT W1-0	1,844	153	n/a
Sat 8	H Altrincham	FA D0-0	3,200	359	n/a
Sat 15	H Dagenham & Red	FL2 W2-1	2,397	268	24
Tue 18	A Altrincham	FA D0-0	2,397	189	n/a
Sat 22	A Rochdale	FL2 L0-2	2,901	365	24
Tue 25	H Brentford	FL2 L0-1	5,248	527	24
Sat 29	A Southend	FA L1-3	4,111	502	n/a

December					
Tue 2	H AFC Bournemouth	FL2 D3-3	6,773	277	24
Sat 6	H Barnet	FL2 W3-1	5,536	511	24
Sat 13	A Wycombe	FL2 D0-0	5,567	1118	24
Tue 16	H Colchester United	JPT W1-0	2,638	222	n/a
Sat 20	H Morecambe	FL2 D1-1	5,664	124	24
Fri 26	A Chesterfield	FL2 D2-2	4,243	805	24
Sun 28	H Lincoln City	FL2 W3-2	6,643	352	24

January					
Tue 13	A Chester City	FL2	7,45	1,652	24
Sat 17	A Darlington	FL2	3,00	3,319	24
Tue 20	A Brighton & H	JPT SF	7,45	6,127	n/a
Sat 24	H Bradford City	FL2	3,00		
Tue 27	A Bournemouth	FL2	7,45		
Sat 31	H Bury	FL2	3,00		

February					
Tue 3	H Grimsby Town	FL2	7,45		
Sat 7	A Accrington	FL2	3,00		
Sat 14	A Dagenham & Red	FL2	3,00		
Tue 17	H Brighton & H	JPT SF	7,45		
Sat 21	H Shrewsbury	FL2	3,00		
Sat 28	A Port Vale	FL2	3,00		

March					
Tue 3	H Gillingham	FL2	7,45		
Sat 7	H Exeter City	FL2	3,00		
Tue 10	A Notts County	FL2	7,45		
Sat 14	A Aldershot Town	FL2	3,00		
Sat 21	H Macclesfield	FL2	3,00		
Sat 28	A Morecambe	FL2	3,00		
Tue 31	H Rotherham	FL2	3,00		

April					
Sat 4	H Wycombe	FL2	3,00		
Sat 11	A Lincoln City	FL2	3,00		
Mon 13	H Chesterfield	FL2	7,45		
Sat 18	A Barnet	FL2	3,00		
Sat 25	H Rochdale	FL2	3,00		

May					
Sat 2	A Brentford	FL2	3,00		



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FOR THE HATTERS AT THE KENNY

Saturday 31st January

Bury

3pm Kenilworth Road



Promotion chasing Bury will be Kenilworth Road's next visitors at the end of the month. The Shakers could be considered League Two veterans, but now under the wing of former defender Alan Knill, Bury will look to finish this season in the Play-Off positions at the very least.

In order to keep their promotion bid on track, though, Knill's men will have to ensure they hit their best form again following a December they'll want to forget.

Picking up just one win in five matches in 2008's last month, the Shakers' surge towards the automatic promotion places suffered a hefty blow. The fact that Bury have also failed to record an away win since November will also give the Town a genuine belief that they can take all three points on the afternoon.

However, the Hatters can't afford to be complacent given Bury's early impressive form in the league. The Shakers are capable of producing some excellent attacking football, as they've displayed on several occasions this season, including an emphatic 4-0 hammering of Gillingham and a convincing 3-1 away win against Dagenham & Redbridge.

After being plagued by various financial problems in the past resulting in administration and relegation, and at one point in 2002, seemingly about to enter

extinction, the Gigg Lane faithful will be hoping for a fresh new era in the club's history with Knill at the helm.

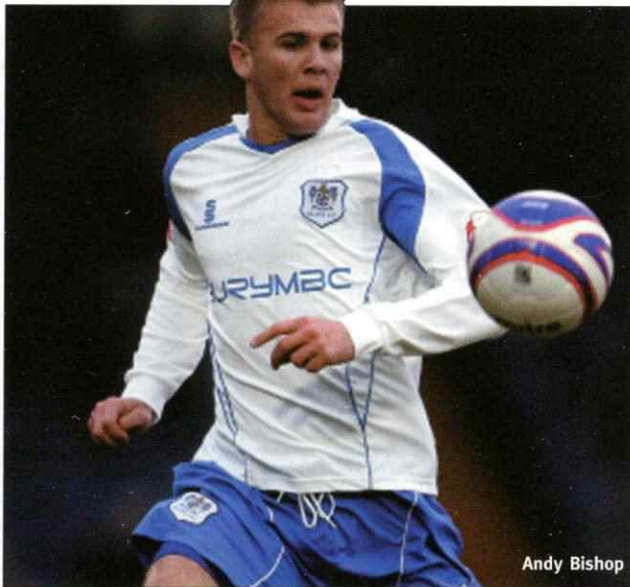
Top scorer Andy Bishop has been the focus of much transfer speculation in recent weeks following a superb start to the season which has seen the striker net 11 goals. The 26-year-old will trouble the Hatters defence with his power and, should the striker get a sight of goal, he may well end up punishing Town with his good finishing, as he did in October from the penalty spot.

21-year-old midfielder Mike Jones is another player the

Hatters will need to be wary of. The skilful, pacey former Tranmere youngster is currently the third top scorer at the Shakers and is developing well under Knill's management.

Hatters' supporters will also know all about former Town defender Efe Sodje, the Nigerian journeyman famed for his bandanas who has scored twice for the Shakers this season.

This match will be the 39th occasion that the two clubs have met, with the Hatters enjoying the rub of the green, racking up 18 wins, losing 12 times and drawing eight games.



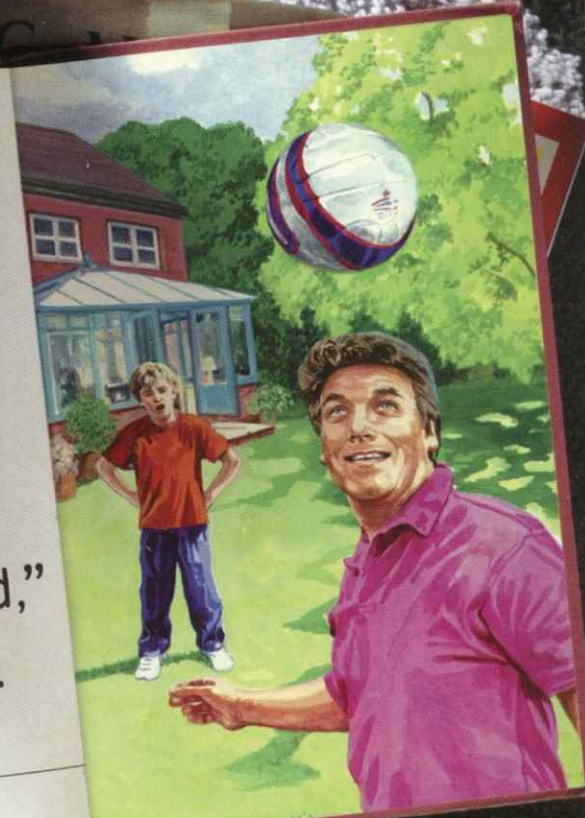
Andy Bishop

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"What a ***** goal!" screamed Johnny's dad.

"I don't like football with Dad," thought Johnny.

Pass ball dad



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HATTERS

LUTON TOWN

1	DEAN BRILL		
2	CLAUDE GNAKPA		
3	SOL DAVIS		
4	KEITH KEANE		
5	IAN ROPER		
6	GEORGE PILKINGTON		
7	IAN HENDERSON		
8	KEVIN NICHOLLS		
10	RYAN CHARLES		
11	LEWIS EMANUEL		
12	AKANNI-SUNDAY WASIU		
14	ASA HALL		
15	ED ASAFU-ADJAYE		
16	ROSSI JARVIS		
18	CHRIS MARTIN		
19	DREW TALBOT		
20	MICHAEL SPILLANE		
21	CONRAD LOGAN		
25	GEORGE BEAVAN		
28	PAUL MCVEIGH		
29	JORDAN PATRICK		
32	KEVIN GALLEN		
33	JAKE HOWELLS		
40	SCOTT SINCLAIR		

BRADFORD CITY

1	RHYS EVANS		
2	PAUL ARNISON		
3	PAUL HECKINGBOTTOM		
4	PAUL MCLAREN		
5	GRAEME LEE		
6	MARK BOWER		
7	OMAR DALEY		
8	LEE BULLOCK		
9	BARRY CONLON		
10	PETER THORNE		
11	CHRIS BRANDON		
12	MATTHEW CLARKE		
13	JON MCLAUGHLAN		
14	MICHAEL BOULDING		
15	JOE COLBECK		
16	SIMON ANGE		
17	WILLY TOPP		
18	RORY BOULDING		
19	LUKE O'BRIEN		
22	KARL NIX		
23	DEAN FURMAN		
24	NICKY LAW		
25	STEVE JONES		
25	PABLO MILLS		
26	LUKE SHARRY		
27	LEON OSBORNE		
28	SEAN TAYLFORTH		
29	ADRIAN BELLAMY		
30	MATTHEW CONVEY		
32	CHRIS O'GRADY		



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T.M. KETTLE



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M.J. FOLEY



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Saturday 31st January

Bury

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