

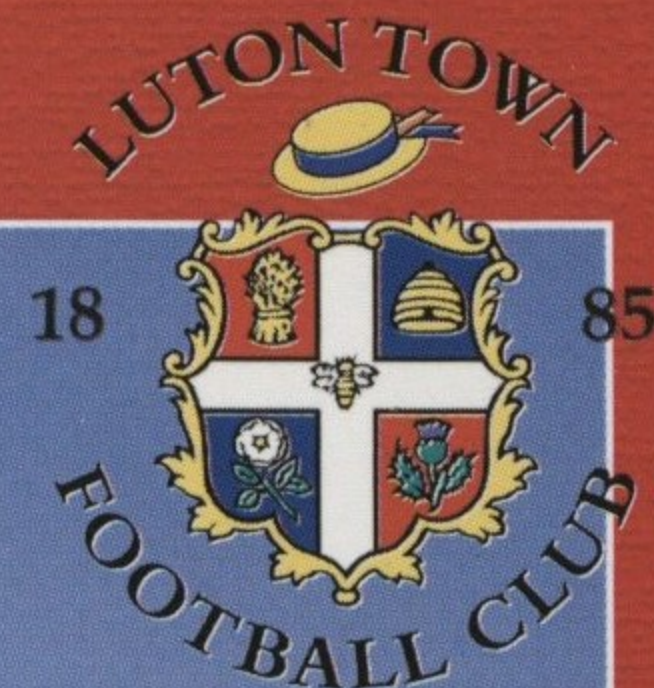


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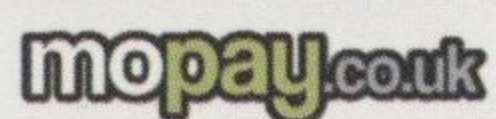
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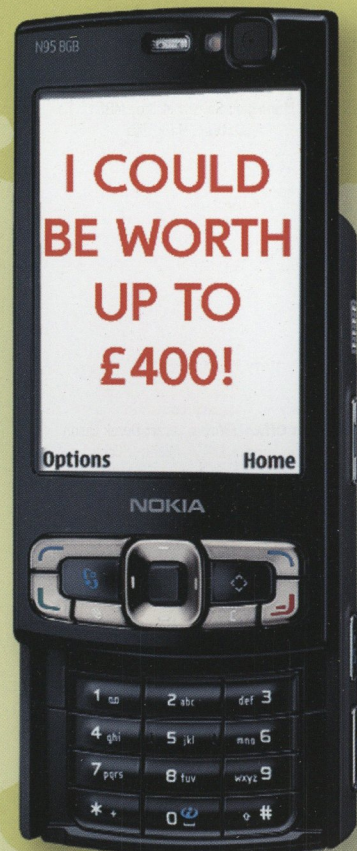
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1926/1927, 1961/1962, 1962/1963, 1968/1969, 1985/1986, 1986/1987, 1993/1984, 1995/1996, 1998/1999, 2003/2004  
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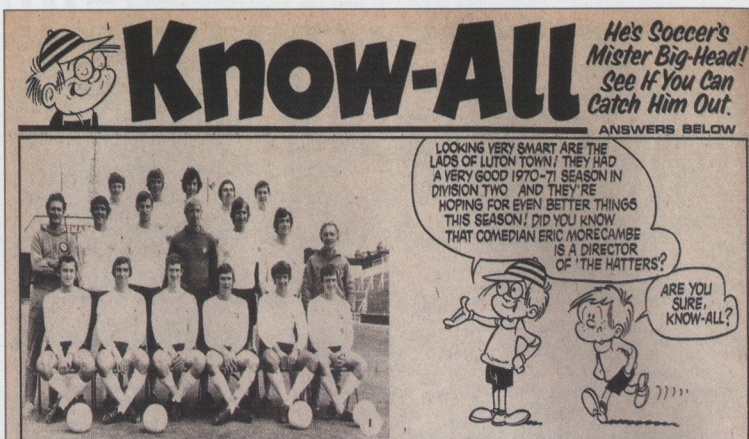


**WELCOME**

Good afternoon to everyone connected with Luton Town Football Club and to the supporters who have made the journey up to the Lancashire coast. I'm sure some of you will have paid a visit to Eric's statue and of course like yourselves it was always going to be Eric again today who will feature on the front cover. Eric of course was a former president of the club and whilst his heart obviously was with The Hatters as you can see from the various pictures on here he had very strong connections with his birth place.

Like Clive Lee I have had a recent sort out in the loft and garage and came across some old comics goodness I must have been around 7 or 8 when I was buying Scorchers and Score and reading Billy's boots and the player profiles inside its pages I thought the following picture was so apt with Know All (wonder who that reminds me of??) telling us all about the successful Luton Town team of 1971. I think it was that year Morecambe and Wise Christmas show where Eric used the roman sign to show off his allegiance to the Hatters!!!

The next picture shows Eric kicking ball on the Christie Park pitch now I'm not sure who the young man is pictured with him but I'm sure someone will tell me and I have to thank Lawrence Bland for digging that one from the archive. It cant be Wiggy that's for



sure as Wiggy must be 60 now....lol That's Michael Threlfall of course and Eric's famous nephew here in Morecambe who keeps in regular contact with Eric's son Gary. It's a shame that this could be our last meeting after waiting so many years to have competitive fixtures and I wont go into the reasons regarding the 30 point penalty save to say that I think we all feel for the true supporters of Luton Town and hope that if relegation is a reality that you can bounce back at the first time of asking. I know its been a very tough season for everyone concerned but hope you can enjoy our hospitality off the pitch today.

**INTO THE ARCHIVES**

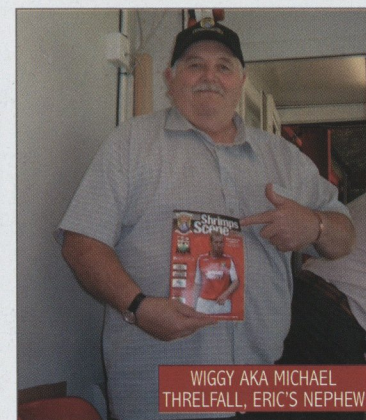
I must thank Lawrence Bland as ever for digging out the statistics which never fail to amaze me and hope that they provide some interesting reading. Many fans log onto the internet forums and regularly bring up some great questions which I have to get Lawrence on the case although I haven't asked him yet to nominate his all time worst and best elevens but I'm sure he would have a go but I'm sure would have to remain quite diplomatic!! Any way a question which I suppose I'm tempting fate here is our record unbeaten league run (well it is only our second season in the league) and Lawrence has gone back in the archives to see how we were faring at the moment so have a read through there as well as some stats on our previous



encounter as well.

If you have any questions or any old clippings photos or scans of old programmes then please get in touch and we can aim to reproduce these here in your match programme by contacting me at the club or email

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**ROUND UP**

Many thanks for the kind comments on the world commentaries and these will continue today with Mick Birch in the hot seat and Mick Dennison at Darlington next Saturday. Stuart Rae provided some expert analysis and stats last Saturday at The Prostar Stadium in The Shrimps 0 0 draw and must thank him for his efforts. It was great support from our fans last Saturday and I'm still baffled by those hillbillies but they added some colour to the proceedings that's for sure.

We feature the Morecambe Bus campaign and must thank Sam Hamblett for getting in touch and I think we all agree it's a fantastic idea so good luck to Sam Aaron and everyone involved in raising money to get our own bus as Stagecoach have done with the Bring Me Sunshine bus in honour of Eric and Ernie.

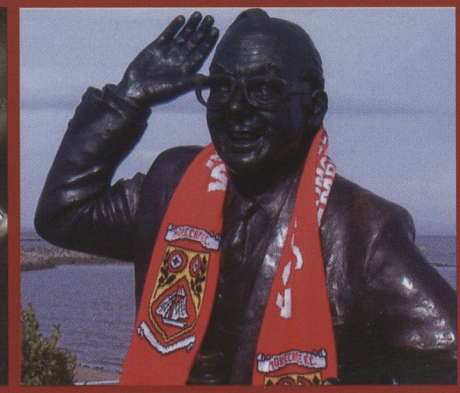
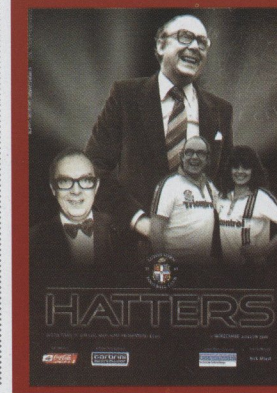
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▶▶▶ Mark MACE

## FROM THE BOARDROOM

**On behalf of the Board at Morecambe FC, I am pleased to offer a warm welcome to the directors, officials and supporters of Luton Town for this afternoons Coca Cola League 2 fixture here at Christie Park.**

My last programme notes were completed in January, during a much delayed start to the 2009 campaign due to bad weather. Hopefully, we will have no problems with the weather today. Now we are finally underway we have had a fantastic run of form, perhaps a winter break would do us good every year!

Our Matchday Sponsors today are Lancit Haulage and the Ball Sponsors are Robert Hughes Tractors. Both are long standing supporters of the club and we hope Tony, Robert and their guests enjoy the meal and today's event.

The management, players and supporters, are well and truly focused on the run in to the end of the season. I don't know how it felt as a Director before the play off systems were instigated, but for me play offs are a great concept. With our league facilitating 7th position as an entry to the play offs this keeps a number of teams (and spectators) far more interested in results until the end of the season which is clearly good for the game.

Being involved in the commercial department of the club clearly brings its challenges, especially during the present economic climate. However, having spoken to a number of the clubs existing sponsors this week and some potential new

ones, the Morecambe FC profile clearly assists many local businesses with their marketing strategies. Indeed, we have already secured 2 new sponsors for next year and an existing client has agreed to double their sponsorship with the club.

Again, with the economic climate in mind, the idea of a salary cap for Football League clubs has been mentioned a few times recently. There are pro's and cons to such a system and it is an interesting area for debate. Any idea that helps protect the future of football clubs and promotes consistency throughout the business will always be welcomed and considered by the boards of directors at football league clubs throughout the country.

Finally, if you could do with an extra £10,000-00 in your pocket this summer, watch out for MFC Goldbond Jackpot draw in a few weeks. To enter the prize draw, just purchase a £1-00 Lottery Ticket via the club shop or visit the club website and purchase online. Good luck!

Enjoy the match.

**Mark Mace**  
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# SAMMY McILROY

**Good afternoon everyone and welcome back to Christie Park for what promises to be yet another tough match for us.**

Just before Christmas we managed a draw in a very competitive match and I'm sure as Luton who have had a difficult season will want to finish with as many points as possible to put some pride into their team and for their travelling fans. Its been a very tough season for Mick Harford and I'm sure we all wish them the very best for the future. We won't take our foot off the pedal against Luton they have a big cup final next weekend and I'm sure that there are players in their camp who will be looking to impress and stake a claim in that side. The game back in December was a physical one and a tough battling 1-1 draw so we will know that were in for a tough afternoon.

There's still a great spirit in the camp on the back of a 12 match unbeaten run that goes without saying and whilst we have had a couple of injury problems this week with Jim Bentley and Neil Wainwright who haven't trained we will be looking to keep our shape in the squad and use the players that have got us to where we are at the moment. I know some of you would advocate some changes and go and attack but last weekend I thought we defended magnificently under pressure at times and I thought

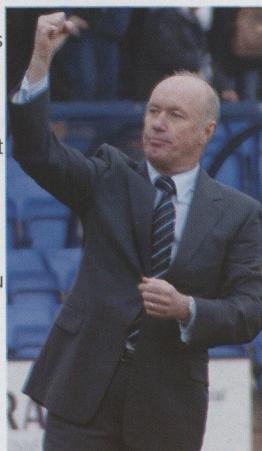
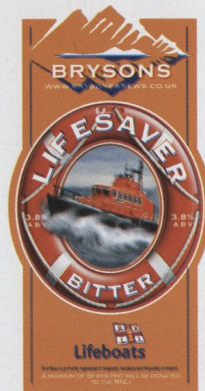
Roche again shows that he is the best keeper in this league and Artell and Adams were superb in defence.

To come away with a point from a place like Shrewsbury is an excellent result given their home record this season and to keep our run going is fantastic. You have to look at the situation and me and Mark Lillis did on Saturday and we thought it was not a day to make a change. Also, if you make a change, it might have left us weak at set plays, which we knew were important against a big side like Shrewsbury, or you can lose the momentum in a game. We have gone 12 unbeaten and I was trying to win the game one way or another on Saturday.

We want to keep that unbeaten run going and look to pick up as many points as we can. We got 60 points last season so it would be great to beat that and see where that takes us but were under no illusion this game this afternoon is a tough one and with it three valuable points at stake for both these sides. We don't mention playoffs but if the run continues then it is still possible but to use an old cliché its all about each game as it comes.

Last time out here against Barnet wasn't the best performance but it was a great three points with two good goals and I felt we were always ahead and looked the team likely to take the three points. At Shrewsbury we were magnificent as I said and now what we have to do is keep that momentum going. Your support has been magnificent both home and away and hope that many of you can get behind us today and then up at Darlington next Saturday in that big arena.

**Enjoy the game today  
Sammy McIlroy MBE**



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▶▶▶ Neil MARS DIN

**Good Afternoon. Today we welcome a club with a common link. Eric Morecambe. Our town is always linked with this wonderful comedian by the very nature of our name, and that he adopted his home town name as his stage name.**

Luton Town are linked by his tenure as a Director of the club. So we both have a common bond. Eric Morecambe was passionate about his football, and I am sure that today with so much at stake for both clubs that the football will be passionate. We still have to keep winning, as teams in a more favourable position than ourselves might drop points, and we have to be in a position to take advantage or increase pressure if that happens. Luton, whilst euphemistically behind the eight ball, still have to believe. They have to believe because their Football league life depends on gaining more points than Chester and Grimsby Town. If you add back the 30 point deduction, they would have 49 points, which would be 3 points behind us, so on results, today's game should be very close. Also the Luton players are playing for a place at Wembley. Players want the opportunity to play at the National Stadium. A good performance today could consolidate that place, a below standard performance today could give someone else the opportunity. If Luton had been midtable, we may have seen a "different" Luton today, however the Luton we will see today, in my view, will be a very focused and determined Luton, battling for all three points.

Next Sunday sees the Hatters travel the short journey to Wembley with the largest following of fans from one club that the "new" Wembley Stadium has hosted. Over 38,500 Luton fans will descend on Wembley, that shows the potential of this club, hopefully, next Sunday will be the catalyst for better times for the Luton club. We wish you well in your trip to Wembley, although certain ex Shrimp, Garry Thompson, will be hoping to emulate what he did for us at Wembley 2 years ago, and that was score - you have been warned, he is quick and he likes the wide open spaces of Wembley!



I would imagine the statue of Eric Morecambe on the central promenade has been popular with Luton fans today, as permission was sought and gained for Eric to be adorned with a Hatters shirt, and scarf for the day. I would imagine lots of photos will be on websites and face book (whatever that is) by the time you read these notes. I am sure our very own "Eric's" will be out in numbers today, adding to the special atmosphere we I am sure will be created, lets hope it brings some sunshine to our day. (sorry, taxi for marsdin!)"

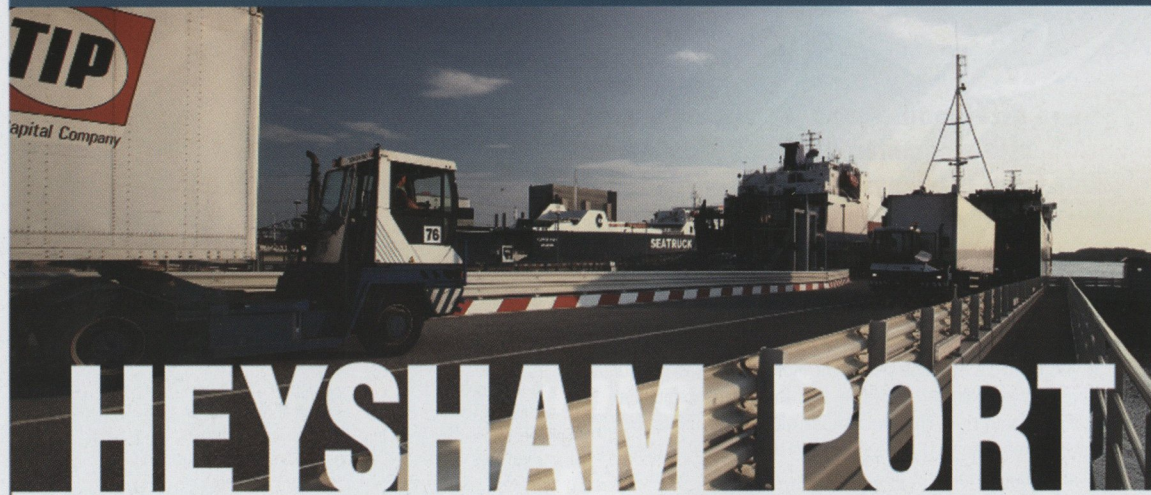
Our next home game sees us play Bradford City here at Christie Park on Easter Friday, and please note the kick off time is 15-15. The game should have been on the Saturday but on a police request it was brought forward so as not to clash with the Preston v Blackpool game as this occupies a lot of Lancashire Police's manpower. The kick off time was agreed with Bradford who preferred 15-15 as 15-00 on Good Friday is of significance in a religious manner. As I am sure supporters are aware, the Car Wash Terrace has been made available to the Bradford City Supporters, on an all ticket basis. There will be no cash admittance to this area on the day. Home supporters will be able to gain entrance to the North Stand through turnstiles 5 and 6 (cash and season tickets) 7, 8 and 9 cash only. Main Stand and Paddock as normal. However supporters in the Main Stand (cash payers) will be issued with a ticket and the seat, block row and seat number will be printed on the ticket. That is the seat you will have to occupy. Normally you can have a choice of where you sit, on this occasion, because of numbers, we have to run things a little differently. Please help the stewards, as this in turn helps you.

Anyway back to today, enjoy the game,

Neil



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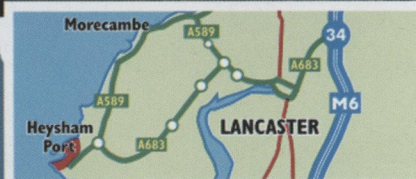
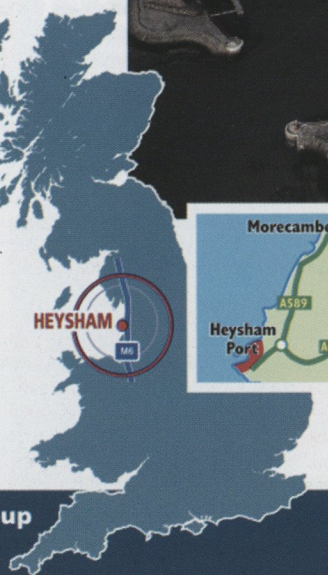


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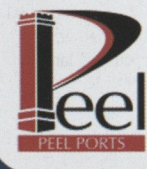
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## ▶▶▶ Introducing LUTON TOWN

**The Hatters' Johnstone's Paint Trophy final appearance at Wembley next weekend will see them backed by a record following from one club, whilst they remain in with a chance of staging one of the most dramatic escapes from relegation, but will realistically need at least six wins from eight, and the patchy form of Grimsby and Chester, to continue.**

Loss of key players from the squad last season contributed to Town's slide from play-off outsiders to the foot of the table, and there were more departures of the end of a traumatic season. That meant that, once approval was made for new signings, manager Mick Harford made a flurry of signings on the eve of the season, with paper inserts required to introduce the new faces, who gelled encouragingly in the early weeks of the campaign.

Brighter news in early August saw the return of inspirational midfielder Kevin Nicholls, from Preston. There was a host of transfer activity just before the opening game, as Harford captured defenders Claude Gnapka from Peterborough, George Pilkington from Port Vale and Ian Roper from Walsall. In midfield, Kevin Watson switched from Colchester, alongside Birmingham City's Asa Hall. Alongside this, a large number of loan signings were made as Chris Martin and Michael Spillane switched from Norwich, alongside Rossi Jarvis' permanent move. Josh Klein-Davies, from Bristol Rovers, and Tristan Plummer, from Bristol City, were later followed by another temporary signing in Leicester keeper Conrad Logan. Keith Keane and Lewis Emanuel extended their deals with the club. Dean Morgan was loaned to Leyton Orient.

Town have used the loan system to good effect, with Leicester defender Harry Worley joining in September, and the following month saw striker Tom Craddock arrive from Middlesbrough in a deal which was later made permanent, and fellow forward Kevin Gallen from Milton Keynes. Former Burnley midfielder Gareth O'Connor and Coventry striker Wayne Andrews also joined the club, but Paul Underwood was released and Sam Parkin joined Leyton Orient on loan. Action in the transfer window brought in Colchester striker Sunday-Akanni Wasiu, Bradford City defender Mark Bower and Derby goalkeeper Lewis Price, but forward Drew Talbot signed on loan for Chesterfield and Andrews was released. Recently, goalkeeper David Button has arrived on loan from Tottenham Hotspur.

The opening day saw the new arrivals give a dominant display in the first half against a clinical Port Vale, who recorded a 3-1 win despite Sam Parkin's goal. However, the Hatters provided the perfect response as Jarvis and Plummer set up an excellent 2-0 home win over Plymouth Argyle, and Parkin was on hand to make the first dent in the points deduction with the only goal in the 1-0 win at Gillingham. Town let the lead slip in their

next home game, against Notts County, as despite Martin's goal, it finished 1-1. 20 years after their famous League Cup against Arsenal, dreams of a repeat were halted as the Hatters lost 5-1 at Reading. An excellent 1-0 win was earned at Exeter by Parkin to complete an encouraging opening month.

However, September proved to be more subdued, opening with a 2-1 loss at a Macclesfield Town side tipped to struggle, but Spillane, Hall and Martin contributed in a 3-1 home win over Aldershot Town. There was a costly 1-0 defeat at Rotherham, another side to suffer a points deduction, and a 1-1 home draw with Chester, in which a lead provided by Hall was lost. October got off to a better start as Spillane equalised in the 1-1 draw at Bradford City, and the start of a Johnstone's Paint Trophy run which has taken them to within a game of Wembley began with a penalties victory at home to Brentford. A double home defeat to Darlington and Accrington Stanley was a blow, but Craddock equalised twice in the significant 2-2 draw at Grimsby, a side performing so poorly they would have been bottom if not for the points deductions suffered by other sides.

Ironically, a number of Town wins have come against sides further up the table, the pick being the 2-1 success at Bury earned by Craddock and Roper, before a 3-0 reverse at Shrewsbury Town. Seemingly relishing the freedom of the Trophy, Jarvis netted the only goal in the 1-0 win at Walsall, but the Hatters were held to a surprise 0-0 home draw by Blue Square Premier side Altrincham in the FA Cup. Dagenham & Redbridge were beaten 2-1 at Kenilworth Road in mid-November thanks to goals from Sol Davis and Paul McVeigh, whilst the Cup replay at Altrincham was won on penalties. Consistency continued to elude the Bedfordshire club, though, as a 2-0 defeat at Rochdale was followed by a single goal reverse at home to Brentford and a Cup exit at Southend United.

December suggested a turning point, with an eight match unbeaten run in all competitions. The eagerly awaited home clash with AFC Bournemouth ended 3-3 through an own goal, Gallen and McVeigh, in a game which really needed to be won. However, the 3-1 home win over struggling Barnet, thanks to another own goal, McVeigh and Martin was vital, and an encouraging 0-0 draw was collected at Wycornbe before Colchester were ejected from the Trophy, 1-0 at Kenilworth Road, through a Gnapka goal. Morecambe's visit provided a 1-1 draw, in which

Spillane netted, whilst Craddock and Roper were on target in the 2-2 draw at Chesterfield on Boxing Day, by which time Town had reached -4 points. This was reduced to -1 by a 3-2 home win over Lincoln City, brought by a Martin brace, and one from Roper.

Since that win at the end of December, they have not tasted victory, as a two goal lead at Chester provided by Martin and Lewis Emanuel was lost in the 2-2 draw, this was followed by a 5-1 thrashing at Darlington, and a 0-0 draw in the first leg of the Trophy Area Final at Brighton. Hall netted twice, alongside Wasiu in the controversial 3-3 home draw with Bradford City, whilst they failed to hold a lead provided by an own goal in the 1-1 draw at AFC Bournemouth. Suffering back to back 2-1 defeats at home to Bury and at Dagenham looked to have put an end to survival hopes, but then mid-February brought the penalties victory over Brighton in the second leg which secured a Wembley date. Craddock netted in the 1-1 draw.

In the nine league games which have followed, five brought victories, two were draws, with only a pair of losses, trimming the gap with safety to eleven points. The fine run began appropriately with a 3-1 home win over Shrewsbury Town, with Craddock, Parkin and Hall all on target, ahead of a 0-0 draw at Accrington Stanley. February ended with the Hatters now 14 points from safety, as Hall, Gallen and Martin earned a recovery from a goal down in a 3-1 win at Port Vale, whilst March began with a 0-0 home draw with Gillingham. The momentum slowed following a 2-1 home loss to Exeter City, but the 2-0 success at Notts County meant the margin from safety was reduced to 13 points, with Martin and Craddock scoring, but it widened again with a 2-1 loss at Aldershot Town. Town faced a crucial home game with Grimsby in which defeat would have put a virtual end to hopes of a Football League future, but Bower, and a dramatic late winner from Hall. That was built on by last Saturday's 1-0 home win over Macclesfield in which Craddock converted a penalty.







**1. DEAN BRILL**

**Born Luton 02.12.85**

Luton-born goalkeeper Dean Brill is another young player of whom big things are expected. Dean won the goalkeeper's jersey when boss Hatters boss Kevin Blackwell took over the managerial reigns at Kenilworth Road and despite the Club being relegated from the Championship, he was named Young Player of the Season. Brill joined his hometown club at the age of nine and has progressed through the Centre of Excellence, representing Luton Schools and Bedfordshire County Schools at a variety of age groups. He kept a clean sheet in his Under-19 debut as a 15-year-old in April 2001 and his impressive displays alerted the attention of several bigger clubs, but Luton fought off the competition to secure his signature. A tall, commanding goalkeeper standing at six foot three, Brill is a great organiser whose voice will always be heard throughout a game.



**2. CLAUDE GNAKPA**

**Born Marseille 09.06.83**

A defender capable of playing centre back or full back, who joined on a free transfer in August 2008. Having plied his trade across Europe with Montpellier HSC, Racing de Santander, Deportivo Alaves and FC Vaduz, Claude moved to Swindon Town for a brief spell, before being taken on in July 2007 by Peterborough United and was a regular in the League 2 promotion winning side, starting 25 league games.

**3. SOL DAVIS**

**Born Cheltenham 04.09.79**

It was a huge disappointment to Swindon Town, and a coup for Luton, when the highly-rated defender decided to leave the County Ground after his contract expired at the end of the 2001/02 season. Swindon boss Andy King failed in attempts to persuade him to sign a new deal, and Luton swooped for the tough-tackling left back. Davis had joined Swindon as a trainee in the summer of 1998, and made rapid progress through the youth and reserve teams to become a regular in the Nationwide League. Sol scored his first ever goal in professional football during the clubs win over Wrexham in November 2004. He scored again later that season, his only other goal to date, in a win against Bristol City in March 2005. Sol was unfortunately involved in a serious incident during the 2006/07 season when he suffered a stroke on the team bus prior to the Club's visit to Ipswich Town. He was taken into the specialist unit at Addenbrookes Hospital in Cambridge. The squad had been on their way to the Belstead Brook hotel in Ipswich on Saturday when Davis lost feeling in his left side and this was affecting his speech. Sol however made a miraculous recovery and despite being told by doctors it will take months for him to return, he was back in action and started in the game against Cardiff City on New Years Day, 2007.

**4. KEITH KEANE**

**Born Luton 20.11.86**

Having made his debut as a 16-year-old in November 2003, Keith Keane went on to enjoy an extended run in the side from February onwards whilst Kevin Foley was out injured. Such was the contribution he made that the return of Foley didn't signal the end of his involvement at first-team level and he finished the season with fourteen appearances under his belt, all this whilst still in the first year of his scholarship. Another of the youth team who regularly appears for the Republic of Ireland at schoolboy level, he joined the Hatters at the age of nine having been scouted in local football, and has made a rapid progression through the club's centre of excellence and youth teams, demonstrating enough potential to convince Mike Newell to give him his first taste of senior action. Keith has featured most prominently on the right of midfield, bursting forward to great effect to provide many goals for himself and his team-mates.

**5. IAN ROPER**

**Born Nuneaton 20.06.77**

Central defender with bags of experience who signed a contract at Luton in August 2008. Roper climbed up the ranks while at Walsall, gaining a reputation of being a tough, no-nonsense defender. He made 325 appearances during his 13 year period at the club, where he won promotion on three occasions, most recently in 2006/07 as a League 2 champion.

**6. GEORGE PILKINGTON**

**Born Rugeley 07.11.81**

Highly experienced defender who joined the club on a free transfer in August 2008. Having begun his career as an Everton trainee, Pilkington joined Port Vale in June 2003, after a loan spell at Exeter City. Having started 223 league games for the Valiants, the highly regarded defender was named player of the year twice and club captain.

**7. IAN HENDERSON**

**Born Thetford 24.01.85**

The Thetford-born striker joined the Hatters at the end of December 2008 following his release from Northampton Town. Also able to play a role on the right side of midfield, Henderson is a product of the Norwich City youth academy where he made the grade to make 79 appearances for the Canaries. After breaking into the first team at Carrow Road he won a First Division championship medal in 2004 and was featuring regularly for the England under-20 side. A serious injury sustained in 2006 kept the striker out of action for eight weeks with ligament damage and after falling down the pecking order at Norwich, Henderson was sent on-loan to Rotherham. At the beginning of the 2007-08 season, Henderson was released by the Canaries and was snapped up by Northampton. During his time at Sixfields, he largely came off the bench, but failed to score in the 33 appearances he made for the Cobblers.

**8. KEVIN NICHOLLS**

**Born Newham 02.01.79**

Kevin Nicholls needs no introduction to most Hatters fans. The hard-working midfielder enjoyed six successful seasons at Kenilworth Road between 2001 and 2006, captaining the side to the League One title in the 2004-2005 season. Nicholls began his career at Charlton Athletic, before moving to Wigan Athletic in 1999, where he made 28 appearances in two years. He moved to Luton in 2001, and in the next six seasons went on to appear 175 times, scoring 30 goals.

Following Luton's successful first-season in The Championship and the spirited FA-Cup performances, Nicholls was a player very much in demand. He moved to Leeds United for ?700,000 in July 2006 and was made club captain by then boss Dennis Wise. However, his very public fall-out with Wise saw him fall down the pecking order at Elland Road, and the following summer he moved to Preston North End for a fee of ?750,000. His time at Preston began encouragingly, however a change in the management team saw his first-team opportunities limited. Kevin was delighted to re-sign for Luton, signing a three-year deal in August 2008 and being named as club captain.

**9. SAM PARKIN**

**Born Roehampton 14.03.81**

Ex-Chelsea trainee Sam Parkin is a forward with a prolific goalscoring record, and choose Kenilworth Road as the place to further his career in August 2006 despite strong interest from other Championship clubs. Unfortunately, Sam's career at Kenilworth Road has yet to get going after a serious injury meant he played only eight games since signing under former boss Mike Newell. After signing for League One side Swindon Town in August 2002, Parkin set the



Football League world alight, scoring 67 league goals in 120 appearances. Naturally, his goalscoring talents captured the attention of the bigger clubs, and Parkin signed for Ipswich Town in the summer of 2005 for £550,000. Unfortunately, a broken ankle forced him to miss much of his time at Portman Road, although he still managed to score five goals in 17 Championship appearances during his first season. Following Joe Royle's departure at the end of last season, the new Blues boss Jim Magilton made it clear that Parkin would not get regular football at Portman Road, leaving the player to weigh up his options. After fees were agreed with both Preston and Luton, 25-year-old Parkin had a straight choice of two Championship clubs, but signed a three-year deal at Kenilworth Road, costing the club £340,000. Coincidentally, Parkin arrives at a club to replace an outgoing Steve Howard for the second time in his career, having previously played for Northampton on-loan after they sold Howard to Luton in 2001.

**11. LEWIS EMANUEL**

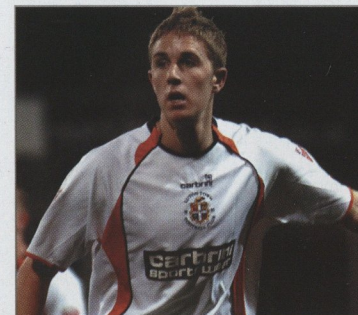
**Born Bradford 14.10.83**

Lewis Emanuel arrived at Kenilworth Road in the summer of 2006 after deciding to leave his home town club Bradford City, the place where the defender started his career. Lewis is a pacy full-back but can also play on the left side of midfield, a position where he started on his league debut for the club. Lewis made over 150 appearances for Bradford in six-years at the club, scoring four goals. In his first season at Kenilworth Road he made 40 appearances, scoring twice.

**14. ASA HALL**

**Born Sandwell 29.11.86**

Versatile player capable of playing in midfield or defence. Hall began his football career in Wolverhampton Wanderers youth system, before signing his first professional contract with Birmingham City in 2004. While at the Blues he was a regular in the reserve team and was named young player of the year in the 2004/05 season. He also received caps for England at Under-19 and Under-20 levels and went on to have loan spells with Boston United, Ashford Town and Shrewsbury Town, starting 13 games for the latter.



**15. ED ASAFU-ADIJAYE**

**Born London 22.12.88**

Ed Asafu-Adjaye is in his first year as a professional footballer having made significant progress through the Club's youth set-up. The full-back, who spent a short time on-loan at non-league side Walton & Hershham, made the breakthrough into the first team under former boss Mike Newell, when the Club was stretched to the limits through injury and suspension. Although the youngster was an unused sub for three matches, Youth Coach Marvin Johnson gave Ed a glowing reference to incoming boss Kevin Blackwell, who gave him a one-year contract.

**16. ROSSI JARVIS**

**Born Fakenham 11.03.88**

Adaptable player who can play on the left or right hand side of defence or midfield. Jarvis came through the Norwich City youth system, becoming the youngest player to appear for the reserve team at the tender age of 14. He went on to spend loan periods at Torquay United and Rotherham United and after finding first team opportunities hard to come by Jarvis joined Luton Town in August 2008 on a free transfer.

**18. CHRIS MARTIN**

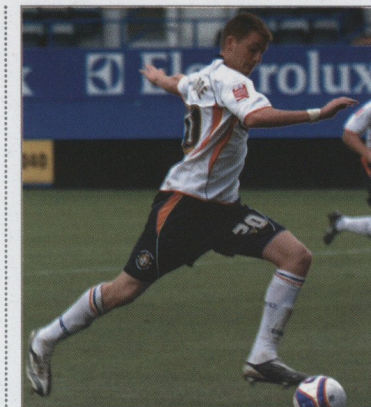
**Born Beccles 04.11.88**

Currently on a season-long loan from Norwich City in August 2008, Martin is a young striker who has played 30 times for the Canaries, scoring five times. He burst into the first team in 2007, and his performances quickly saw him become a fans' favourite at the club. Strong for his age and technically gifted, his early promise saw him win call-ups for the England Under-19 squad, scoring on his debut against Turkey in March 2007.

**22. MARK BOWER**

**Born Bradford 23.01.80**

Bradford-born Mark joined the Hatters from his home-town club on a month's loan in January 2009. The centre-half made his Luton debut against Bournemouth at Dean Court on 27<sup>th</sup> January, just three days after being on the bench for the Bantams against the Town. Bower made 252 appearances at Valley Parade scoring 13 goals in all competitions after making his debut against Norwich City in 1998. He had two loan spells with York City at a time when Bradford were playing in the Premier League but he eventually returned to fight for a regular first team place. Mark was named as City captain by caretaker David Weatherall in 2007, but he found it difficult to dislodge Graeme Lee and Matthew Clarke at the heart of the defence at the start of the 2008-09 campaign. Therefore, with injuries and suspensions racking up at Kenilworth Road, the 29-year-old signed a one-month deal with the Town.



**20. MICHAEL SPILLANE**

**Born St Helier, Jersey 23.03.89**

The Irish youngster joined the club on a season-long loan from Norwich City in August 2008, and is equally at home in defence or midfield, having played in both positions in recent seasons for the Canaries. The Republic of Ireland U19 international is tipped to have a bright footballing future ahead of him.

**24. TOM CRADDOCK**

**Born Darlington 14.10.86**

Originally a defender, Tom developed into a promising forward who has done well at youth and Reserve team levels with Middlesbrough. He was the eighth member of Boro's 2004 FA Youth Cup-winning side to progress to first team level, following James Morrison, Tony McMahon, Andrew Taylor, David Wheeler, Matthew Bates, Adam Johnson and Jason Kennedy. He joined the Hatters on-loan from the Riverside in October 2008 and scored twice on his debut in a 2-2 draw with Grimsby Town. Two further goals followed in the games against Bury and Chesterfield and once his loan expired Mick Harford moved quickly to snap up the striker on a permanent basis. A £80,000 bid was accepted by Middlesbrough and Tom signed a two-and-half year contract in January 2009. He has previously spent spells on loan with Wrexham and Hartlepool United.

**32. KEVIN GALLEN**

**Born Hammersmith 21.09.75**

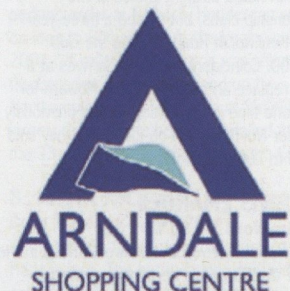
Kevin became Paul Ince's first signing in the summer of 2007 when he joined the club from Queens Park Rangers in early July. A Shepherds Bush native, Gallen established himself as something of a legend at Loftus Road. He notched up over 400 appearances and hit 97 goals for the R's in two spells spanning nearly 14 years. Gallen joined Huddersfield 2000 and after 10 goals in 30 starts for the Terriers, Gallen moved across Yorkshire to join Barnsley the following summer, but the call of West London saw him return to QPR within a few months. He scored nine goals in 16 league starts for MK Dons before joining Luton on loan.





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**John GILLMORE**

**A very good afternoon and welcome to Christie Park on behalf of everyone at BBC Radio Lancashire and a warm welcome to all travelling fans from Luton.**

Last time I wrote my article for Shrimps Scene I was slap bang in the middle of the big build up to comic relief and the theme this year was to do something funny for money.

Now ever since I was a teenager I had facial hair on my top lip and, to be honest, I was well and truly attached to it. Back in 1996 having sported the tache for well over 20 years, I was persuaded to have it shaved off for charity. The chosen charity was St Catherine's Hospice in Preston and I raised almost £200.

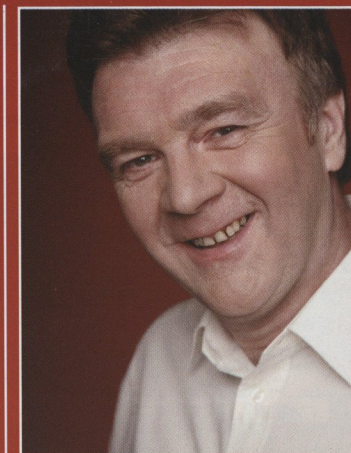
A photo appearing on my facebook page and a video on Youtube from my days at Red Rose Radio provided the following idea.

If you are a member of facebook you will know that any photos that you are "tagged" in automatically go into your photo album. A particular photo of me sporting my tache was spotted by my producer Carole Turner who suggested I grow it again for Comic Relief. This I have done and at the time of writing this article I am still attached to my multi coloured

moustache! the colour has not come through as I imagined - it's more a grey with a little fair colour mixed in. I think I need the well know brand of beard and moustache dye.

On Red Nose Day itself, my producer Carole got hold of some face paint and painted my moustache, eyebrows and coloured my hair red - in fact it was a Turner masterpiece. To be honest I looked like the Russ Abbot character from Scotland "see you Jimmy" although I am told I now look like Bob Carolgees minus spit the dog. I am not sure when the big shave off will take place but plans are in hand for it to be done by cut throat razor (!) live on the radio during my programme.

It was a great day at BBC Radio Lancashire on Red Nose day with the big day kicking off in Blackpool with Tony Livesey, Ted Robbins doing his impersonation of Jimmy Saville for 24 hours and raising over £500 while he was at it and Chris Rider joining me in the studio for his party piece of standing on his head which he can still do very



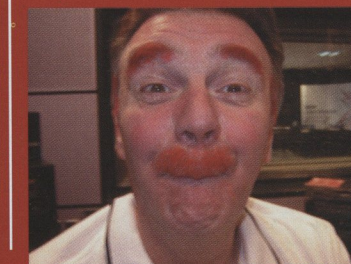
impressively at his age.

There has been a definite feeling of Spring in the air in recent weeks and I am looking for value for money days out to feature on my afternoon programme. If you would like to nominate your favourite day out in Lancashire then give me a call on 01254 841018 or email [gilly@bbc.co.uk](mailto:gilly@bbc.co.uk)

Well done to Sam Hamblett and everyone concerned with securing sponsorship for the Morecambe FC bus project I know the latest major fundraising event will take place at Ma Murphy's on April 2<sup>nd</sup> - one of the raffle prizes will be a grand VIP tour of BBC Radio Lancashire studios in Blackburn for two people. The winners will be able to have a look behind the scenes shown around by yours truly - but don't let that put you off buying a ticket!

Enjoy the game and join me on Monday at 1pm.

**Gilly**





**MORECAMBE**  
**BARNET**

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**Sammy McIlroy's men survived a late push by Barnet to earn all three points and extend their unbeaten run to 11 games.**

All the goals were scored in a six minute period of the first half, Morecambe netting two, with Barnet nicking one in between. After a scrappy start Morecambe had their first sniff of a chance after 21 minutes when Michael Twiss chased a punt upfield from Barry Roche but Ismail Yakubu just managed to head it to his keeper.

And they went even closer after 24 minutes when a four-pass move led to Garry Hunter threading a superb pass into the box for Neil Wainwright, who forced Jake Cole into a brave save at his feet.

Following a horribly dull first half hour, the game sparked to life. Though they'd started to play some neat football it was a set-piece that gave Morecambe the lead, Dave Artell rising to head home a Twiss corner after 32 minutes.

Barnet were back in it just a minute later, though, when John O'Flynn got in behind a sleeping defence to turn Albert Adomah's cross past Roche at the near post for the equaliser.

And Morecambe got their noses in front again on 38 minutes, Wayne Curtis twisting and turning before scuffing a shot along the ground which bobbed into the net past Cole's weak attempt to save low to his right.

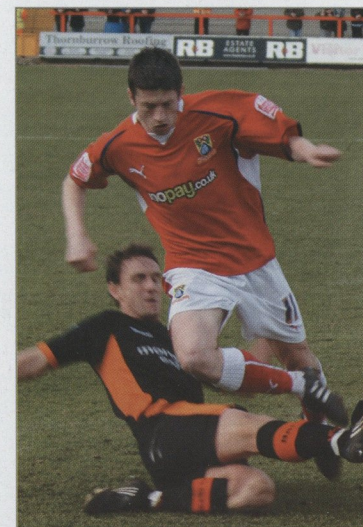
The home side piled on the pressure after



the break and it took a goal-line clearance by Cole to prevent Twiss adding a third after he pounced on Curtis's flick from a 58th minute corner.

Morecambe were forcing some desperate Barnet defending but were reminded of the frailty of a one-goal lead when Neal Bishop whistled a shot inches over the bar from 25 yards.

And there was another scare when Yakubu headed just over from Joe Devera's cross.



Yannick Bolasie should really have equalised when clear in the box but he miscued horribly and the chance went begging.

Bishop tested Roche with another 25-yarder but the Morecambe keeper got down to save.

And, apart from a vain late shout for a penalty when the ball was hit against Jim Bentley's arm, that was the last scare for The Shrimps.

**Morecambe:** Roche, Yates, Artell, Bentley, Twiss, Hunter, Curtis (Howe 69), Wainwright (McLachlan 79), O'Carroll, Drummond, Adams. Subs: Edge, Duffy, McStay.

**Barnet:** Cole, Devera, Bishop, Yakubu, Adomah (Birchall 75), Deverdics, Lockwood, Hughes, Furlong (Akurang 30), O'Flynn, Bolasie. Subs: Kadoch, Gillet, Porter.

**Att:** 1,899 (92 from Barnet)







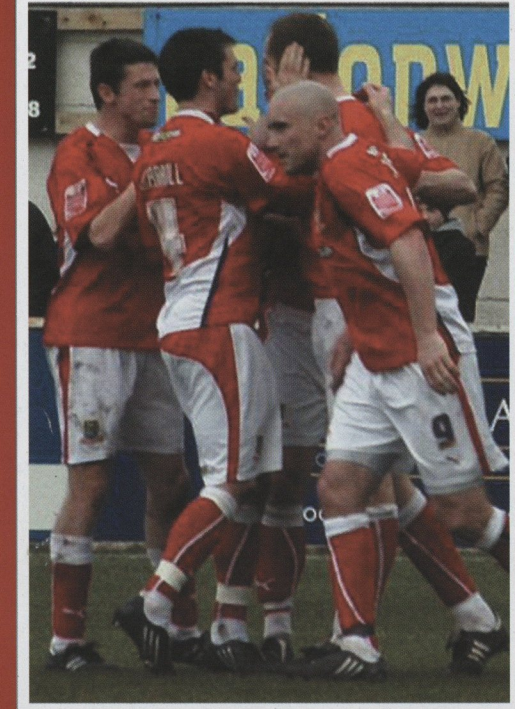
▶▶▶ Shrimps v BARNET



### DAVID ARTELL

It was great to get on the score sheet. I was certainly due one, although to concede so soon after going in front was very disappointing; I just didn't defend a routine cross and their lad nipped in to score. I must have still been celebrating in my head.

Thankfully Waynaldo went up the other end and put us back in front not long after.



### ▶▶▶ Post Match REACTIONS

### IAN HENDON

The two goals to concede were poor goals to concede, we know they're dangerous from set plays and I was very disappointed with the defending for the opening goal in particular. The pitch wasn't conducive to good football and we had to stick in there and we got a good goal back. There was nothing in the game at that time. The second half was much better but we have a hard week ahead in the training ground.

### JIM BENTLEY

It was a great result to get and keeps our run going which we are very proud of and if we can keep picking up points lets see where that takes us. We cant get carried away as there are some tough games ahead but we will give it our best shot.

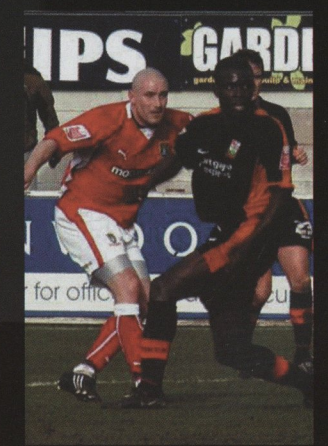


# KEY moment

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## MINUTES

Wayne Curtis firing in The Shrimps second goal and with it a lead at half time which gave The Shrimps the confidence to almost score a third early on in the second half.







# SHREWSBURY T 0 MORECAMBE 0

Match Report Derek Quinn Pictures: **The Visitor**  
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**MORECAMBE produced a superb defensive display to pick up a fine point at the Prostar Stadium.**

The Shrimps held firm against the team with the best home record in League 2 and extended their unbeaten run to 12 games.

In a game of few chances Shrewsbury came closest to taking all three points with

an effort from Chris Humphrey on 22 minutes when he cut inside from the right wing and curled a superb left foot effort inches wide of the right hand post.

Prolific striker Grant Holt was guilty of missing the game's best chance on the stroke of half time when he beat the offside flag to run through on goal but shot straight at Morecambe keeper Barry Roche.

Morecambe produced some good

moments themselves with Neil Wainwright drilling an effort wide on 11 minutes and Wayne Curtis choosing to pass to his right when it would have been better to shoot.

Curtis was denied for a second time a few moments later by keeper Luke Daniel before the Shrimps were forced to soak up some intense late pressure.

Roche was forced into a fine low save from Steve Leslie's long range free kick and the Shrimps held on for another excellent point.

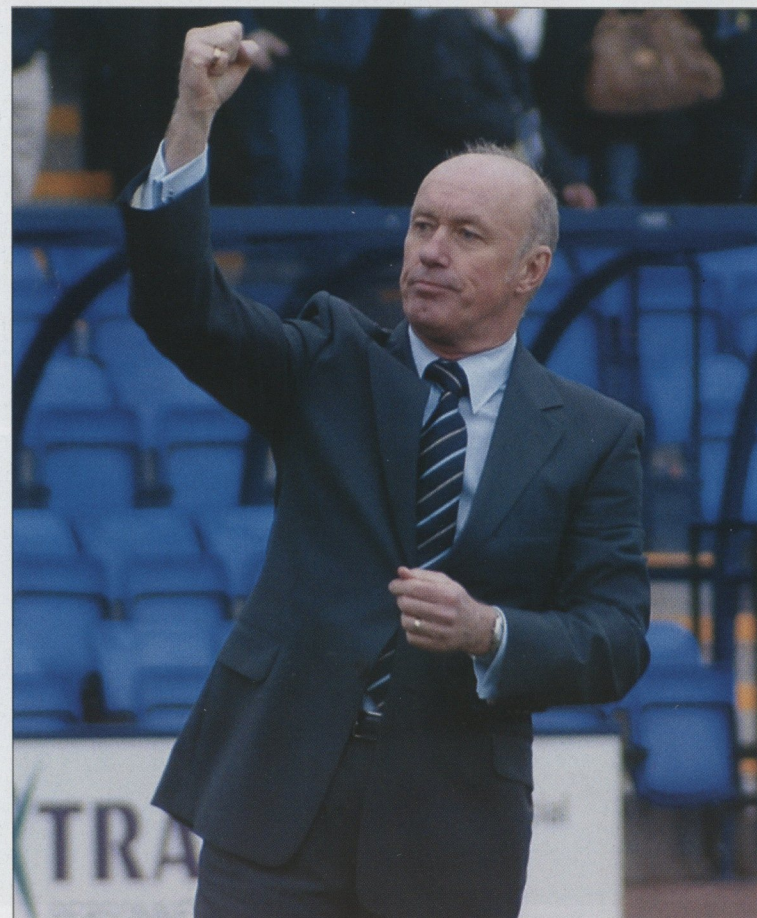


**Morecambe:** Roche, Yates, Bentley, Artell, Adams, Wainwright; Drummond, Curtis, Hunter; Twiss, Howe. Subs: Edge, McStay, O'Carroll, Duffy, McLachlan.

**Shrewsbury:** Daniels; Moss, Coughlan, Langmead, Ashton; Humphrey, Murray, Dunfield, Davies; Holt, Ashikodi. Subs: Leslie, Chadwick, Worrell, Cansdell-Sherriff, Walker.

**Ref:** Oliver Langford.

**Attendance** 5422(189)





**BLACKPOOL LADIES 0  
MORECAMBE LADIES 1**

**Morecambe Ladies were crowned County Cup Champions on Friday evening after beating a strong Blackpool side 1-0 in a closely fought game.**

Both teams started strongly but Morecambe were the first to settle, taking the initiative early on and winning more of the ball in midfield. As Morecambe's passing game began to flow, they started to link up well and work the ball through from the back.

Blackpool, who were previously unbeaten this season, were always a threat, particularly with their pace up front. Jade Hindle in the Morecambe goal was called into action when a through ball left her one on one with the Blackpool attacker only for Hindle to save well with her legs.

The breakthrough came midway through the first half when Doherty found herself with space just outside the box. Jenny Keane's run down the left had found Sophie Fish. She took the ball past one defender before laying off a neat pass to her strike partner, Megan Doherty, whose long-range effort left the keeper stranded.

Blackpool came out strongly in the second half but Morecambe held strong. The back line of Sarah Gardner, Jayne Roper and Georgia Phillipson were outstanding and frustrated Blackpool by their pace and strength, winning the ball and clearing their lines every time it was needed.

This was a great team performance from Morecambe Ladies, who now hope to push on in the league and add the league title to their silverware collection this season.

Morecambe Ladies would like to thank all their supporters who travelled to the game and Morecambe FC for all their support in preparation for the tie. In particular Rod Taylor who arranged kit and transport for the match and Dave Edge for his physio. Thanks also to Nick Barrett and Barry Whalley for all their hard work, dedication and commitment to the team.

**Morecambe Ladies:** Jade Hindle, Sarah Gardner, Jayne Roper, Georgia Phillipson, Jen McAlpine, Vicky Perry, Nicola Relph, Jenny Keane, Claire Howley, Sophie Fish, Megan Dougherty, Danielle Veitch, Emma Gardner, Jodie Litherland.

**Player of the Match:** Georgia Phillipson

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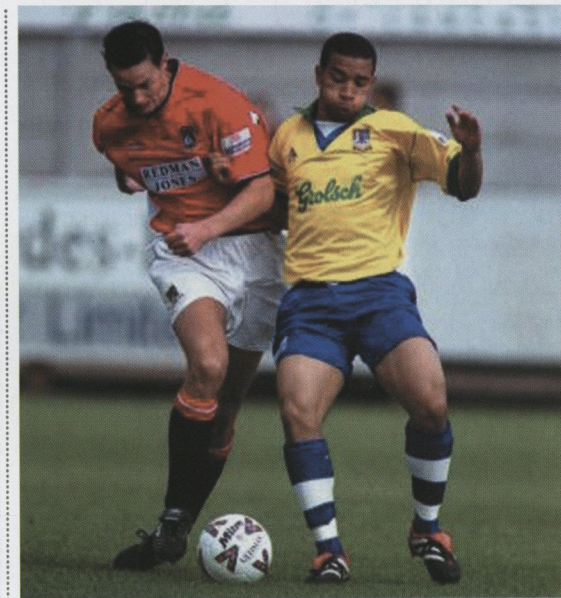
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**Surprisingly the longest unbeaten league run is 22 games by Joe Wojciechewicz's side in the Northern Premier League during 1987-88. After losing 1-2 at Hyde United on the 'plastic pitch' on September 14<sup>th</sup> 1987, we were unbeaten in 22 games in the league until March 10<sup>th</sup> 1988, when we lost 0-2 at Southport.**

Sept 19 Buxton draw 2-2 H 258 Edwards, White  
22 Barrow draw 0-0 H 498  
26 Rhyl draw 0-0 A  
30 Gateshead draw 1-1 A Taylor  
Oct 3 Frickley Athletic won 2-0 A Lyons, Peters  
10 Bangor City won 4-2 A White, Taylor, Lancaster, Gill  
13 Hyde United won 4-1 H 444 Lancaster 2, Gill 2  
17 Worksop Town won 3-2 A Lancaster 2, Gill  
21 Workington won 1-0 A 251 Lancaster  
24 Horwich RMI won 3-2 H 430 Harrison, Edwards, Carruthers  
31 Gainsborough Trinity won 3-2 A Harrison, Gill, Edwards  
Nov 14 Mossley won 4-1 H 402 Lancaster 4  
17 Caernarfon Town won 2-0 H 520 Taylor, Lancaster  
Dec 1 Witton Albion won 1-0 A Lyons  
5 Matlock Town won 1-0 H 358 Gill  
26 Barrow draw 0-0 A 2,272  
28 Gainsborough Trinity draw 0-0 H 422  
Jan 16 South Liverpool draw 1-1 A Diamond  
Feb 13 Rhyl draw 0-0 H 249  
20 Gateshead won 4-1 H 216 Edwards, Marsden, Stimpson, Lancaster  
27 Mossley draw 2-2 A Diamond 2  
March 5 Oswestry Town draw 1-1 A Lancaster  
In the Conference, we played 19 games in the league without a defeat. After losing 1-3 away to Dover Athletic on January 29<sup>th</sup>



2000, we were unbeaten until the following season, when we lost 0-1 at Northwich Victoria on August 26<sup>th</sup> 2000.  
Feb 12 Nuneaton Borough draw 1-1 A 1,411 Jackson  
19 Welling United draw 0-0 A 626  
26 Altrincham draw 3-3 H 1,230 Jackson 2, McKearney  
March 4 Forerst Green Rovers draw 1-1 H 1,016 Eastwood (pen)  
18 Dover Athletic won 2-0 H 1,127 Jackson 2  
25 Welling United won 2-1 H 1,046 Brown, Jackson  
April 1 Hereford United draw 1-1 A 1,808 Norman  
4 Rushden & Diamonds won 2-0 A 2,533 Norman, Jackson (pen)  
8 Doncaster Rovers won 1-0 A 2,009 Jackson  
11 Northwich Victoria won 5-0 H 1,024 Jackson 2, Norman, Thompson, Drummond  
15 Doncaster Rovers won 2-1 H 1,346 Jackson (pen), Eastwood  
22 Sutton United won 1-0 A 659 Norman  
24 Nuneaton Borough draw 1-1 H 1,620 Eastwood  
26 Kingstonian draw 0-0 A 834  
29 Kettering Town won 2-1 H 1,250 Eastwood, Jackson  
May 1 Scarborough won 2-0 A 1,505 Jackson 2 (1-pen)  
6 Yeovil Town draw 1-1 H 1,490 Jackson  
August 19 Woking won 3-0 H 1,504 Eastwood 2, Heald  
22 Scarborough draw 2-2 A 1,536 Eastwood, Norman



Of course, the present run of 12 games is our best in the Football League.

by Lawrence Bland



# BARRY ROCHE blog

**Four points from the last two games isn't a bad return given the opponents we faced.**

Granted, everyone would have expected us to beat Barnet at home but they are still in real relegation trouble and came to Christie Park on the back of some good results. I can't imagine the game was much of a spectacle due to the way they set their stall out but three points is three points and that's all that matters, particularly at this stage of the season.

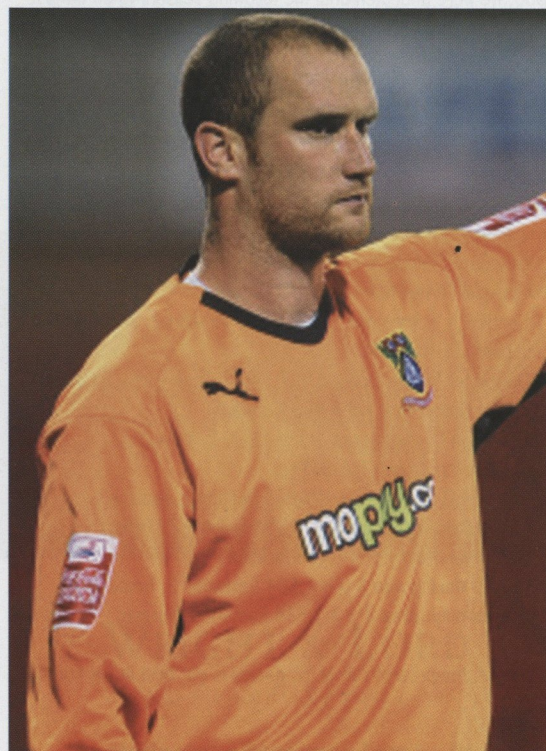
We all knew we were in for a very tough game at Shrewsbury especially with all the talk about their brilliant home record we had heard over the previous week. But we went there full of confidence and stuck to our task extremely well and got the point our hard work deserved. In Grant Holt they have one of the best goal scorers in the division but to limit him to just one effort at goal shows how well our boys defended.



Away from League 2 now and what a fantastic weekend of sport it was! Chelsea lose to Spurs, Man U lose at Fulham (the Gaffer was not happy), Rooney got sent off, Liverpool closed the gap at the top of the table by smashing five past Villa and Ireland won the Grand Slam for the first time in 61 years.

Myself and Diarmuid managed to get the game on the bus radio on the way back from Shrewsbury and the tension in those last few minutes was incredible. By all accounts the whole of Ireland came to a standstill during the match and the pubs and clubs had one of their biggest nights after it! And we let our Welsh goalkeeper coach, Lee Jones, know how we felt in no uncertain terms. I don't think he was too happy with me when I picked him up from the gym on Monday morning wearing my Ireland jersey. Maybe that's why he worked us extra hard in training!

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# WAINWRIGHTS DIARY



**Another week and another game unbeaten for us. Hopefully we can continue it today against a decent Luton side who are unfortunate to find themselves bottom due to their circumstances off the pitch.**

winner then it would have been a perfect afternoon.

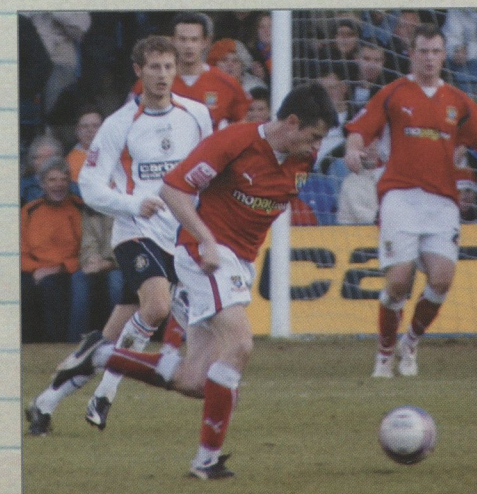
The good news kept coming for me on the bus when I'd heard Man Utd had surprisingly lost and Liverpool capitalised in style in the live Sunday match. I still think United have the edge and will win it but it certainly makes it interesting now and you never know. I'll be hoping that the title somehow sneaks its way to Anfield.

It's been a tough week this week as I've been struggling with an achilles problem since last saturday. I'm obviously hoping to fit, as no one wants to miss out when things are going as well as they are.

Enjoy the game.

It was excellent point for us last week at Shrewsbury considering their excellent home record and every one of the lads did their part. It was particularly good to see Drummy play so well against his old club and Dave Artell had one of his best games this season to shut out the home side. I had a brief spell with Shrewsbury last season and it was good to see a few familiar faces, if only we could have grabbed a

**Wayne**





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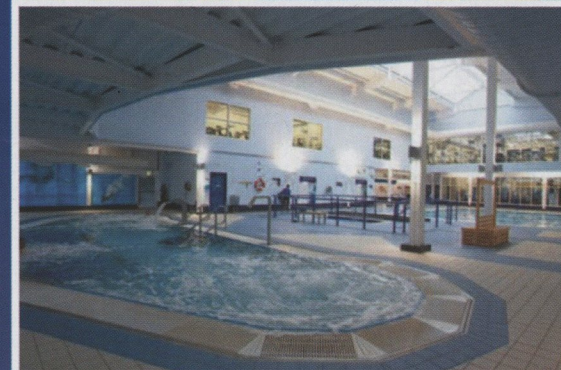
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# The Beautiful Game

## SHIFTING THE GOALPOSTS (AGAIN?)

**You just get used to one rule change don't you and then there's the prospect of more in our lovely game! Don't FIFA realize how difficult it is explaining the off-side rule for the umpteenth time to a companion you've taken along to the match.**

They (the FA) always seem to be 'shifting the goalposts' so to speak with the rules of the game? At the recent AGM meeting of the IFAB (International Football Association Board) various changes to football law were discussed. The proposals on the agenda (with NONE of these submitted by the English FA) were the use of additional referees, the use of 'sin bins', introducing goal-line technology, extra time substitutions, the length of the half time break and even the colour of the tape around a players socks!

It's nothing new though is it? The rules of football, as with everything else in life, have to evolve in order for progression to take place, especially within the modern day game. However, although you may find it hard to believe, the 17 basic laws of the game have only changed marginally over the last century. The key element of football is seen as essentially a simple game, and as such its laws must be so that they can be applied in a consistent way at all levels of the game, whether it's a Sunday league match or a World Cup Final. As supporters, we generally adapt well to the changes and accept any change quite well. When you think of the modern day game and how we view it, and compare it to that of our older relatives, for such a 'simple' game, there have been so many changes, not necessarily to the rules and laws but to other aspects of the game such as the field of play, the safety and lay-out of stadiums and even the players' kits!

We take so much for granted during the 2-3 hours we spend in the ground scrutinizing the game of football don't we? Take something as simple as the corner flag for example. They're not just there for the strikers to dance around after scoring! We tend to think they've been around from day one? But no, although they've been around for a long time they were only introduced to football so that the officials could deem where the pitch ended. This was a long time before white-lining the pitch was introduced. The corner flags back then were also over twelve feet high!

Take the yellow card as another example [this would be used in conjunction with the 'sin bin' if the Irish FA submission to the IFAB is successful], the yellow (and red) cards were only introduced as late as 1970 for the FIFA World Cup in Mexico. It was English referee Ken Aston who was inspired

by the traffic lights in London that suggested the idea of the colour coded cards to FIFA.

More about the Men In Black? — no, not the movie! I mean the referee. Up until 1891 the ref was only allowed to stand at the side of the pitch along with the 'umpires' who became known as linesmen and who we now know (so fondly) as referees assistants. Up until the turn of the Century, the referees wore black trousers, a blazer and a dickey-bow tie. Can you imagine if that was the case nowadays, don't they get enough stick from us lot as it is!

1891 was also the year that the penalty kick (or 'the kick of death' as it was known back in the day) was introduced to the game. There was no need for them prior to this point in time as it was assumed that 'Gentlemen would never intentionally foul'. — No incidents of diving in the box back then obviously!

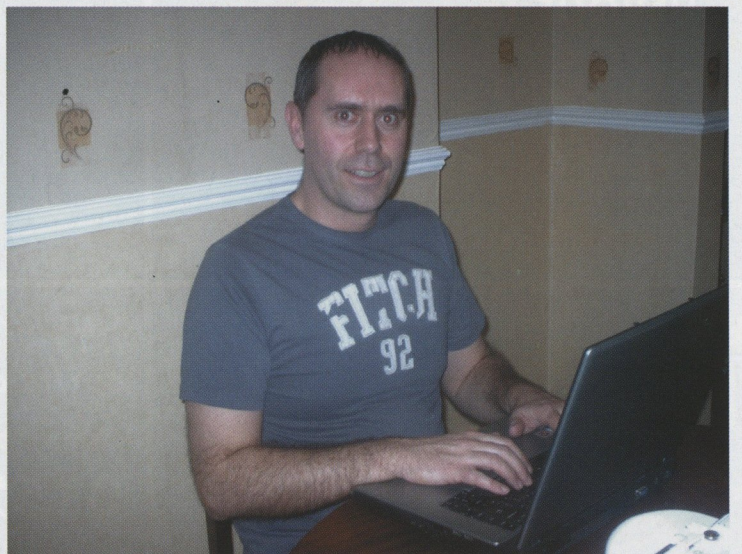
So, what of the players 'uniform'? One of the recent submissions to the IFAB (by the Scottish FA) is for players to use the same coloured tape as their socks to hold shin pads in place. Incidentally, the FA current rules state that any undergarment i.e. long sleeved top under the shirt or under shorts under the shorts, must be of the same colour as the shirt or shorts. How often do we see this rule broken? And they now want to dictate the colour of the tape on players' socks?? There's no mention of woolly gloves being part of the players attire either in the FA rules! There were no sponsors splashed all over

the kits back then, not even the player names. In fact it wasn't until 1939 that shirt numbers were made compulsory and numbered 1 — 14 too. There was no number 39 or whatever back then. In the very first international football match between Scotland and England back in 1872, players even wore bobble hats or caps as part of their kit. The head dresses were a standard part of the football kit well into the 20th century. I suppose heading one of those early footballs would require some form of extra padding on the old noggin!

Hitting the crossbar was not even a possibility until 1875 as they simply didn't exist. A goal could be scored at any height as long as the ball went between the sticks or posts. A piece of tape was used to 'close' the goal during the early matches before the crossbar replaced it. Talking of goalposts, nets weren't introduced until 1890 and up until 1912 the goalkeeper could handle the ball anywhere within his own half! Since then of course there have been many amendments to the rules. Three points for a win instead of two (1981), the Bosman ruling (1995) and no doubt, there'll be more to come in the future!

As God is my witness and football my mistress — let's embrace any change and keep this game beautiful — Enjoy!

**Adrian Roberts**



# CLIVE LEE

**I am being laughed at.**

I have just shown someone my predictions for the current football season ... made in somewhat cowardly fashion during December when there was already a fair bit of water under the bridge ... and I got so much wrong.

This, of course, is why bookies get rich and compulsive gamblers get counselling. I could gloat at the odd bits I seem to have got right but if I'd put money on all of my hunches I'd be verging on destitute. I am such a loser.

For a start I never thought that today's visitors would still be in with a shout for survival but good luck to them, they are and it will make for a great game. I had written Bournemouth off too but, remarkably, survival is now theirs to throw over the side of a Dorset cliff. Whatever your views on why such Draconian penalties were imposed on Rotherham, Bournemouth and Luton in the first place, you surely have to admire all three for the way they have set about what seemed back in August to be Mission Impossible.

I'm not even going to mention what I predicted for the top of this division but I apologise to supporters of Brentford, Rochdale and Bury as I'm sure their faith was greater than mine. A division higher and at the top end I went with Leicester and MK Dons for automatic promotion with Leeds winning the play offs. Everything still going to plan there and with the addition of Simon Grayson as manager since the turn of the year, I'm even more convinced Leeds will be back in the Championship next season.

At the bottom of League One I made some toe-curlingly inept predictions. OK I spotted that Cheltenham's season was less than on fire but I was confident that Graham Turner would steer Hereford to a miraculous position of safety and that post-Gradi Crewe had no chance of avoiding the drop.

Crewe have turned it around big style and whilst there is still work to be done, look on course for survival; Hereford, on the other hand, look just as doomed as they did at the turn of the year.

I did speculate that Yeovil and Leyton Orient might go down and that's still possible but now I've mentioned it again it probably guarantees their place in League One come August. I hadn't even considered Swindon as relegation candidates but that is, in fact, what they have become.

Nothing too disastrous yet in the Championship where I went for Wolves and Reading to go up automatically and Cardiff to beat Birmingham in the play offs. Less impressive at the bottom though where I wrote off Doncaster and must now doff my dunce's cap to manager Sean O'Driscoll whose side probably need just one more victory from six games to guarantee safety. I also wrote off Charlton and Nottingham Forest — decent shouts as things have turned out with half a dozen games left. For a while it seemed as though Billy Davies was inspiring a revival but Forest are back in the bottom three and the games are running out. Norwich and Plymouth have entered the equation but it will go to the wire.

I wrote that last sentence with so much unfounded confidence and authority!

My biggest gaffs are in the Premier League which is normally one of the more predictable of the world's leagues. I got the top four right (as things stand currently anyway) but at the bottom apart from spotting West Brom's vulnerability (they really are the "Can we play you every weekers" this year and if they had a touch more of the Stokes about them, who knows?) I should hang my head in shame.

Sorry to say but Middlesbrough look doomed. There you go Mr Southgate, that should guarantee you a winning



streak! But seriously, Boro's problem is that they just can't score. Their expensive Brazilian striker Alvez is an interesting phenomenon. His positional sense is superb, he holds the ball well and he's built like a gladiator. Unfortunately, as they say in Brazil ... *ele não pode bater uma porta com um banjo* (that really is Portuguese for can't hit a barn door with a banjo) nor does he create much for the rest of the team. Boro desperately need wins and to win they need to score more goals. I just don't see it ... cue 5-0 victory for Boro next week!

*Ele não pode aprisionar um saco de cimento* ... sorry, getting carried away with Brazilian translations. That one was he can't trap a bag of cement.

So it could be Middlesbrough in the Championship next season and back in December I predicted West Ham to go down. My cheeks are reddening with embarrassment as I also tipped the pre-Allardyce Blackburn to suffer the drop. West Ham are closer to Europe now than the drop and I'd always back Big Sam in a scrap so Rovers are now on the road to recovery. I think.

Predictions. Why do we make them? We just know that we will end up making fools of ourselves. But as they say in Brazil ...

*Tolos na corrida onde anjos temem para pisar.* You'll have to use Google Translator for that one or give Alphonso Alvez a call.

Enjoy the game today and don't even think about predicting the score. You'll get laughed at.

**Clive Lee**



**The project started back in October 2008, Aaron Matthews and myself Sam Hamblett were on the Eric Morecambe bus and as we passed Christie Park Aaron turned to myself and said what a great idea it would be to have a Morecambe FC bus livered in the same way as the Eric Morecambe bus.**

I remember turning to Aaron and saying what a fantastic idea it would be. Aaron then set up a group on Facebook called "Morecambe FC deserves its own bus" it all started just as a distant dream the response we got on Facebook was phenomenal we did not think we would get more than 500 members little over a week had passed and we broke 1000 with a current total of 1300. We then decided to have a meeting with the chief executive who was also very impressed with the idea and wanted to see it work he also pledged that the club would help in any way they can.

The next stage was getting more awareness for the project so this got us thinking more and more and we then decided to arrange a signature day at the Morecambe vs Aldershot game. We decided that it would be a great idea to get t-shirts printed for the volunteers so I started seeking someone to sponsor the shirts, thanks to James Fletcher of Jessop's Estate agents in Morecambe who sponsored the t-shirts. We also decided on getting some flyers printed to hand out at the next home game these were sponsored by Jessop's Estate agents and Ma Murphy's Irish Pub also a thank you must go to Baytype who have been fantastic with there support in printing flyers, posters and also raffle tickets. We then spoke with Glen at The Visitor newspaper that was more than happy to put an article in the paper Thanks Glen. On the day of the game we got more than 600 signatures, we had 7 volunteers on the day and many more wanting to help (Thanks to all volunteers).

We now felt that we raised a great awareness and with the response from the fans being let's get it done we pushed on.

We then decided to meet with Geraldine Smith (MP) and see if we could get the local MP's support in which we did Geraldine then put us in touch with the council who will help with the licensing of the bus being put on alternative routes if required. We were also in contact with Stagecoach at this point who was really enthusiastic about the idea, they were also very impressed with all the work put in so far to get where we are today. The total amount we needed to raise was 16k this is how much it would cost, this would give us the bus livered for 2 years with a view of extending this further.

It then went very quiet during the Christmas period and we started to gather pace again in February, February had come and we only had 4k left to find unfortunately we cannot discuss where any money has come from at this stage. We then started seeking our main sponsor in the mean time we were also arranging a Race Night event at Ma Murphy's Irish Pub in Morecambe. I put a message on Shrimpsvoices.com asking if anyone knew

of any business that may be interested in sponsoring the bus a day had passed and I received a message from Paul who works for Mains Business in Lancaster. Paul later put Denise Oakes managing director in contact with us who arranged a meeting with me and Aaron. On Friday 13<sup>th</sup> we met with Denise at Mains Business we sat down and discussed our proposal after about 30 minutes we had come to an agreement and Mains Business had agreed to be the main sponsor.

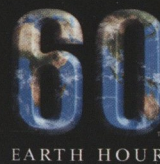
We are now so close to the final target and would love to see everyone at Ma Murphy's Irish Pub on Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> April for the Race Night. There will also be a raffle, tickets costing a pound with any additional money raised above the required amount being donated to charity. There will be some fantastic prizes up for grabs. I should be at the game today selling the tickets so if you would like to buy some from me please come see me I will be wearing the Morecambe FC Bus t-shirt.

Thanks to everyone that has supported us so far.

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Sam Hamblett and Aaron Matthews**



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## Football in the COMMUNITY

### NEW GROUND PROGRESS REPORT

The work on Westgate Wanderers new facility is on schedule, to be completed by 30th March. The foundations and block work are complete, with the roof due to be fitted next week. The new car park has been kerbed and drains laid, with the tarmac wearing course due to be laid 15th March.

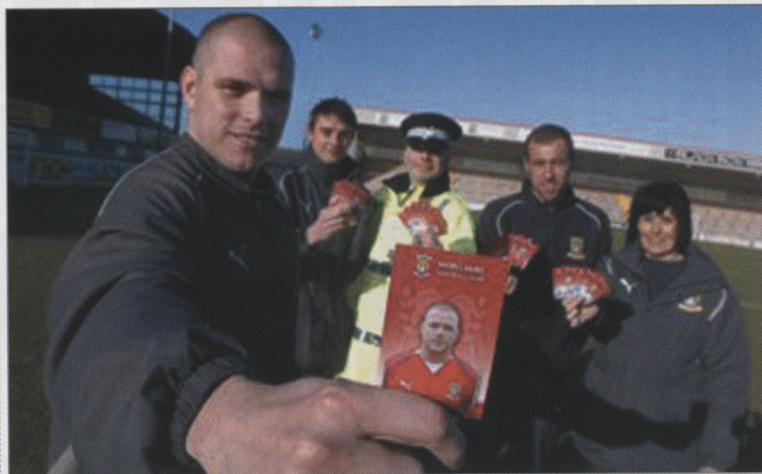
The overall stadium project has been split into two separate phases. The first phase covers the enabling works, which will see the site stripped and imported fill spread across the site to raise the levels and lay the bases for the roadways around the site. This phase is currently out to tender and work is scheduled to commence on Monday April 20th. Once this phase gets underway you will all be able to see progress on a daily basis. We are entering a very exciting period in the history of Morecambe Football Club.

Over the coming months, announcements will be made regarding events and campaigns around the club's final year at Christie Park. As a Board we are looking to encourage a sense of celebration, we will only achieve this if you the fans rally friends, family, workmates and casual acquaintances to come down and embrace the ideas and hopefully have a good time in the process.

### PLAYER CARDS

An innovative campaign to help children understand important safety messages is being launched by local police and Morecambe Football Club this weekend. The club has produced a set of collectable player cards featuring varied advice on community safety issues covering topics such as anti-social behaviour, criminal damage, bullying, online safety and racism in the community.

The cards will be available until the end of the season with two different cards being released to correspond with Morecambe's final home League 2 games. "Swapsies" days are also set to be planned later in the



season so that people can catch up on their collection.

The player cards will be handed out at Morecambe home games with the first two cards being made available at the Shrimps' match with Port Vale at Christie Park this weekend. The Shrimps' football in the community staff will be on hand to distribute the cards on the day. The cards are also being distributed by the club's successful community team, which visits schools and local organisations in their quest to promote awareness of the club.

The scheme has been organised by the Northern Division's PR and Media Manager Derek Quinn who has strong links with the Shrimps. He said: "The player-card initiative ran successfully a couple of years ago and



the feedback was so good that we have won funding from the Lancashire Partnership Against Crime LANPAC) to repeat the scheme. "Morecambe Football Club is a main focal point in the local area for youngsters and the card scheme will also hopefully help them raise their profile even further in the community."

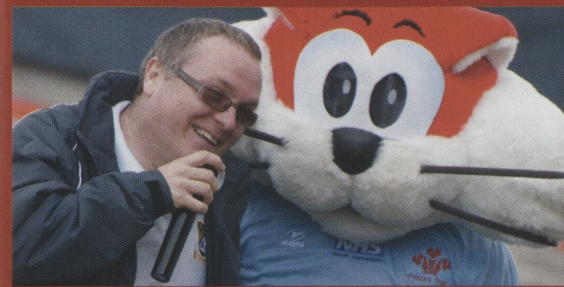
Chief Insp Matt Horn said: "Youngsters love these cards and they give us an excellent opportunity to highlight issues surrounding community safety with each card endorsing a different message targeted to young people."

Ian Groundwater from LANPAC said: "This is a great way of getting important messages through to youngsters and we are delighted to be able to support it."

### PARTNERSHIP COMMUNITY CUP

3 way partnership between Morecambe community sports, princess trust and Primary care trust.

This was the launch of the partnership between the Three parties working together on joint initiatives. The Princess trust won the game Princess trust 1 v 0 Primary care trust. It was a fantastic event enjoyed by all!



## Football IN THE COMMUNITY

### UNDER 11S COMMUNITY CUP UPDATE

Greatwood will represent Morecambe in the next round at Bury on the 22nd April.

Players coaching the community this week Danny Adams and Fraser McLachlan at westend Primary school Garry Hunter and Stuart Drummond at Our Ladys High School Aaron Taylor at Halton Primary School



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### PRESENTATION NIGHT

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### SPORTSMANS EVENING

Friends of Morecambe Football Club SPORTSMANS EVENING Monday 6th April with Micky Thomas, Mike Farrell and Mike King. Tickets are £30 and available at the Commercial Office.

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### WAYNE CURTIS BENEFIT

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### SPORTSMANS EVENING: MONDAY 6th APRIL

The Friends of Morecambe Football Club will be holding another of their very popular events at the Carleton when the guest speakers will be MICKY THOMAS ex Manchester Utd, Comedian MIKE FARRELL and Compere/Comedian MIKE KING. Despite rising costs the tickets have been kept at the same price of £ 30. Tickets available from the Commercial Office.



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## COMMERCIAL GALLERY



Pictured is Michael Twiss receiving his Man of the Match award from the match sponsors Tribal

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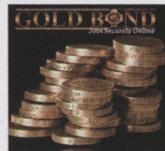
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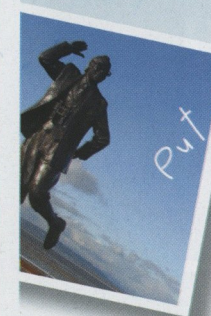
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**DAGENHAM & REDBRIDGE P  
BRENTFORD P**

This Monday night match was postponed due to floodlight failure.



**WYCOMBE WANDERERS O  
ROCHDALE 1**

Wanderers slipped out of the automatic promotion places as their poor form continued with a costly home defeat to a Dale side who climbed into second spot. Adam Le Fondre scored the only goal in stoppage time.



**GRIMSBY TOWN 3  
GILLINGHAM O**

Gillingham's strong form came to a halt as they slipped to third following this shock loss at a Grimsby side who moved out of the bottom two as a result. Akpa Akpro broke the deadlock in the 33<sup>rd</sup> minute, Nick Hegarty made it two after 58 minutes and Barry Conlon wrapped it up in stoppage time.



**BURY 1  
CHESTER CITY 1**

Bury missed out on a win which would have helped their automatic promotion hopes. Andy Morrell edged the Shakers ahead immediately before the interval, but they were reduced to ten men when Ryan Cresswell was dismissed at the start of the second half. Ryan Lowe levelled in stoppage time at the end of the match, but City dropped into the bottom two.



**ACCRINGTON STANLEY 2  
EXETER CITY 1**

Despite taking the lead through Adam Stansfield's fifth minute goal, City slumped to a damaging defeat at an Accrington side who stretched the gap from the relegation zone to eleven points. John Miles levelled for the hosts after 34 minutes, and Craig Lindfield scored the winner in the 64<sup>th</sup> minute.



**SHREWSBURY TOWN O  
MORECAMBE O**

In a significant draw between two play-off hopefuls, Morecambe stretched their unbeaten run with an excellent away form.



**BRADFORD CITY O  
PORT VALE 1**

Bradford's poor recent form continued as they slumped to a home defeat to struggling Vale. David Howland got the only goal with 49 minutes played.



**ROTHERHAM UNITED 3  
CHESTERFIELD O**

The Millers' good form continued as they secured a comfortable home victory against their local rivals. Reuben Reid broke the deadlock on 38 minutes, and scored again in the 55<sup>th</sup> minute. Pablo Mills completed the scoring with seven minutes to go.



**DARLINGTON 2  
ALDERSHOT TOWN O**

Darlington collected a home victory against their mid-table rivals. Curtis Main opened the scoring just before half-time, and Danny Carlton sealed it with 72 minutes played.



**BARNET 3  
LINCOLN CITY 2**

Barnet moved further away from the strugglers as they continued their sequence of home victories. Michael O'Connor gave the Imps the lead on the quarter hour, but John O'Flynn pulled the sides level after 37 minutes, and the Bees went ahead on 63 minutes through Albert Adomah. However, Adrian Patulea equalised within two minutes, only for O'Flynn got a winner with three minutes to go.



**AFC BOURNEMOUTH O  
NOTTS COUNTY 1**

Bournemouth's resurgence hit a halt as they lost at home to mid-table Notts County, whose goal came from Myles Weston in the 39<sup>th</sup> minute.



**LUTON TOWN 1  
MACCLESFIELD TOWN O**

Luton preserved their outside hopes of escaping from relegation as Tom Craddock's 69<sup>th</sup> minute penalty was enough to earn a home victory over their fellow strugglers.



**We take a look back at previous encounters with today's opposition, and also have a quick run down of players who have played for both sides.**

**MORECAMBE v LUTON TOWN**

Only one previous meeting, this season, a 1-1 draw at Luton on Saturday 20th December, Michael Spillane scoring on 51 with Danny Carlton equalising on 57 minutes, at 5,664.

**Luton Town** : Logan, Keane (Asafu-Adjaye), Roper, Spillane, Howells, Hall, Jarvis, McVeigh, Martin (Gnakpa), Talbot (Andrews) and Gallen [unused subs Brill and Beavan].

**Morecambe** : Roche, Yates, Bentley, McStay, Adams, Wainwright (Artell), Stanley, McLachlan, Drummond (Carr), Howe and Carlton [unused subs Edge, Taylor and McCann].

Not too many players have played for both clubs, Matthew Blinkhorn (Luton 2004-05, Morecambe 2006-09), John Ryan (Luton 1967-69, Morecambe 1972-73), Peter Thomson (Luton 2000-02, Morecambe 2001-02) and there was Charlie Tracey, who had several spells at Morecambe 1928-29, 1932-34 and 1934-35, who played one war-time game for Luton Town 1945-46.

Of course there was Eric Morecambe, a club president at Morecambe and chairman at Luton Town.

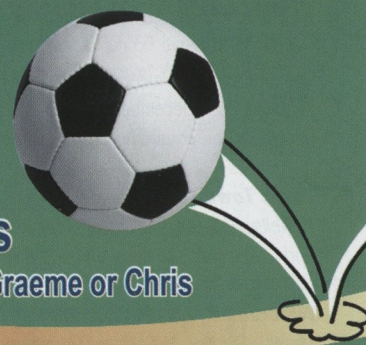
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### Port Vale U/18 2 Morecambe U/18 3

Puma Youth Alliance League 21/03/09

After 10 minutes of disastrous defending caused a 3-1 defeat to Macclesfield the previous week Morecambe set about rectifying this at the long trip to Port Vale.

With Poole returning from injury and trialists Craven and Dunne in the starting line it was hoped Morecambe would display freshness, lacking in recent weeks. A bright start saw Morecambe attack from the kick off Poole chasing a Richards through ball but shooting wide. With Craven showing great pace and trickery on the right Morecambe looked a threat.

In a strange first half it was Morecambe who created the better chances but Vale who went in ahead. Sloppy defending allowed a harmless cross from the left drift across the Morecambe box, which allowed a simple tap in at the back post for Andrew Osei-Siribour. Morecambe responded in well and in a goal mouth scramble Poole had a close range effort well saved the follow up by Dodwell was cleared of the line and Dunne miscued from 3 yards when it looked easier to score. But then a sucker punch on the break, a Morecambe corner saw the home side counter with pace and when the ball was fed to James Beeston on the edge of the box he side stepped Clark before slotting home.

The second half started brightly for both sides Bee was called into action twice early on, saving bravely at the feet of Sam Lovatt on both occasions. Poole looked sharp returning from injury and stung the keeper's hands with sharp effort from 18 yards. The game appeared to be drifting into obscurity until the introduction of Barrowclough on 70mins. His energy and enthusiasm was infectious and immediately Barnes released Poole, his effort was parried across goal and Craven forced the ball home from a tight angle 2-1. Morecambe struck again 2 minutes later, Barrowclough won a free kick, and Poole delivered a training ground set-piece for Barnes to nod home from 6 yards.

Not content with a point Morecambe could smell victory and with 5 minutes left the winner came. Barnes again influential on the left, his flick released Preston, whose cross was spectacularly volleyed by Trippet and as it struck the inside of the post Poole was on the spot to head home unmarked.

Morecambe survived one scare late on but were saved by an offside flag to record at one time an unlikely looking victory.

**Team:** Bee, Jackson, Baird, Richards, Preston, Barnes, Dodwell (Barrowclough 70), Clark, Dunne (Randell 45), Craven (Trippet 80), Poole.

**Subs not used:** Yates, Atkinson

**Next Fixture;** Home to Shrewsbury, Lancaster & Morecambe College 11.00am k.o. 28/03/09.

#### Totesport.Com League Wednesday 11th March Preston North End Reserves 1 Morecambe Reserves 0 West Division (March 19th)

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Manchester City	12	8	1	3	34	18	25
Carlisle United	14	7	4	3	30	22	25
Burnley	11	6	4	1	27	13	20
Blackpool	14	5	3	6	26	35	18
Rochdale	14	5	3	6	25	36	18
Tranmere Rovers	13	4	5	4	22	21	17
PNE	12	5	1	6	21	15	16
Bury	12	3	3	6	16	21	12
MORECAMBE	12	3	3	6	18	27	12
Accrington Stanley	12	2	3	7	16	28	9

#### Puma Football League Youth Alliance Saturday 14th March Morecambe 1 Macclesfield Town 3 North West Conference (16th March)

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Wrexham	23	16	6	1	48	24	54
Carlisle United	21	16	3	2	53	17	51
Burnley	18	15	1	2	58	25	46
PNE	19	12	2	5	54	26	38
Port Vale	23	12	1	10	55	43	37
Walsall	21	10	3	8	44	41	33
Oldham Athletic	20	9	4	7	41	25	31
Wigan Athletic	20	9	4	7	26	25	31
Macclesfield Town	21	8	6	7	29	27	30
Stockport County	21	9	3	9	32	33	30
Tranmere Rovers	20	7	6	7	35	29	27
Rochdale	22	8	3	11	36	49	27
Shrewsbury Town	20	7	1	12	21	34	22
Chester City	23	6	3	14	31	44	21
Bury	20	5	4	11	32	39	19
Blackpool	21	5	2	14	21	59	17
MORECAMBE	19	2	4	13	21	55	10
Accrington Stanley	22	2	2	18	15	57	8

#### North West Youth Alliance Premiership 'A' (15th March)

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Marine 'A'	8	8	0	0	28	6	24
Nantwich Town	7	7	0	0	26	0	21
Altrincham	10	3	2	5	10	21	11
Woodley Sports	9	3	1	5	21	26	10
MORECAMBE	9	3	1	5	21	26	10
ProVision NW	8	2	2	4	9	16	8
New Mills	10	1	4	5	10	23	7
Glossop NE	7	1	2	4	10	17	2*

\* 3 points deducted  
 Bury Amateurs withdrawn from the league and their record expunged.

#### Barclays Premier Reserve League North Monday 16th March Blackburn Rovers Reserves 0 Sunderland Reserves 0

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Sunderland	15	10	3	2	25	11	33
Manchester City	15	9	0	6	27	19	27
Newcastle United	16	8	3	5	27	20	27
BLACKBURN ROVERS	16	6	5	5	21	16	23
Manchester United	14	6	4	4	22	15	22
Everton	15	4	6	5	15	18	18
Liverpool	15	3	6	8	15	17	15
Wigan Athletic	14	4	3	7	18	28	15
Middlesbrough	14	4	2	8	18	25	14
Bolton Wanderers	14	4	2	8	15	26	14
Hull City	12	3	4	5	13	21	13



Shrimps v BARNET





**Today we take time out to speak to Morecambe FC fan Martin Shaw on all things Morecambe....**

**• What was your first Morecambe game?** May 11<sup>th</sup> 1985. Morecambe Reserves v Everton "A". Morecambe won a thriller 6-4 in front of a crowd of about 20 if that. A couple of memories from the game, firstly an old guy coming around the Main Stand with a collecting bucket asking for donations (admission was free back then) and also the somewhat rickety nothing more than scaffolding steps to get into the Main Stand. Game and day was overshadowed on return home watching World Of Sport and the horrific scenes from Valley Parade, Bradford. My first First Team Game was in January 1986 at home to Bangor City. Won 1-0.

**• What's your earliest Morecambe memory?** The above match. Also I will remember watching the Grandstand Vidi Printer one dark evening early in the 1981/82 season when the result came in that Bangor City had whooped Morecambe 9-0 at Christie Park.

**• Favourite Morecambe player of all time and why?** Got to be Ian Cain. Fantastic servant, a bargain buy at just £7,500 from Fleetwood Town. His runs down the wing and spectacular goals were really something special.

**• Your current favourite Morecambe player and why?** Jim Bentley – for obvious reasons. A true captain, an inspiration to others, and a mighty fine Central Defender. Also, Neil Wainwright. After a slow start and some unjustified criticism from certain quarters Neil has shown over the past few months exactly why Sammy brought him here. My Man Of The Match against Brentford here recently. A fantastic performance and boy did he skin those Bee's! Ran 'em ragged.

**• Most memorable Morecambe match?** Probably an away game at Barrow in the 1993/94 season. We were 1-0 down for a while but an injury time header by Ollie Parillon (how high did he climb to reach that ball ?!!!!) gave us a fantastic 2-1 win in front of a pretty hostile Barrow support. The 50 of so Shrimps fans had a good journey home down the A590 that night! And also that same season, all the FA Trophy games (v Northwich, Slough, Southport) and of course the Lancashire ATS Trophy Final win at Burnden Park over Southport! Brilliant. Memories of their 'keeper Paul Moore (Morecambe Reject) looking at the Morecambe fans in disgust (and in tears !!) at the end of the game will live long in the memory!

**• Where do you watch the games from?** From the North Stand mainly with my Son and Nephew. From the paddock though midweek

when neither of the 2 lads can attend with me.

**• What's your pre match ritual?** Nothing in particular. Arrive about 2.15, into the Club Shop for a programme and browse round, into the North Stand and purchase my pie and gravy!

**• If you had 2 million pounds to spend who would you bring in to the squad?** Probably Robbie Savage. One of my favourite players! A midfield maestro! We never really see quality players drop down the leagues nowadays like we used to in years gone by. Will never forget the day Alan Kennedy got onto our team coach in March 1991 on our way to Bishop Auckland!!

**• Favourite other ground and why?** Non League days it has to be either Barrow (great atmosphere) or perhaps Fleetwood Town. In the League, Deepdale, Preston last season will take some beating! Working as I do with a load of North Enders, the following day was pretty memorable!

**• Funniest memory of watching the shrimps home and away?** Not particularly funny from my point of view but it did give my fellow travellers and even the home fans a laugh. Away at Colne Barleymows in January 1990, Cairny, I think it was (could even have been Stuart Connerton) had a shot which hit the side netting. We were 0-1 down at the time and everyone inside Holt House knew it had hit the side netting. Apart from me. I celebrated a goal. Like a nob. Also, away at Hyde once I remember Kipps going to retrieve a stray ball, walking up to their keeper to give it back to him holding it out in his hand. Their 'keeper said, "thanks mate", at which point Kipps threw the ball over his head and on their plastic pitch it bounced and bounced and bounced and bounced... nearly back to the Half Way Line!!! And we had a game on their pitch us Shrimps fans at half time! In



fact, a lot happened at Hyde. Who remembers Gilly plane watching ???!!

**• Favourite shrimps goal of all time?** A couple of contenders, both from the Non League days. Firstly, a fantastic solo goal from Marvin Ali in March 1990 in a Lancashire ATS Challenge Trophy game at home to Blackpool Mechanics. Also, some years earlier, a flying header from Tibor Szabo at Christie in March 1986 as we beat Champions Elect Gateshead, 2-0. Also, in 1988/89 I can recall a 5-2 home win over Gainsborough. Our future manager, Billy Wright, scored with a diving header which literally knocked him out cold with its force!

**• If you could invite 4 past or present shrimps players around the dinner table who would they be and why?** Barrie Stimpson (for the Geordie humour), Jim Harvey (to thank him), Ian Cain (for nothing more than him being a legend) and Ben Lavelle (another great servant and a gentleman). In fact, I'm inviting 6. John Coleman too. What needs to be said about Coley? Legend. Stewart Drummond too is also a true Shrimps Legend.

**• What's the greatest length you have gone to in order to see the shrimps play a match?** Doing sickies from work twice a few years (few ???!!!!) to enable me to attend. Firstly, going home "ill" from work at Lancaster Uni to enable me to catch the Team Coach on its way to Gateshead for an NPL Cup Semi Final tie at Gateshead (we lost 1-3) and secondly in the 1991/92 season, again I pulled a sickie to enable me to attend the Hull City home game.

**• Name your all time shrimps X1 in 4 4 2 formation?** Peter McDonnell, Graham Jones, Keith Kennedy, Steve Brooks, Kenny Gordon, Dave Woodburn, Jimmy Thornton, Peter Sayer, Keith Galley, Graham Gill, Vaughan Williams!!!! Pretty much the static line up for the duration of the 1985/86 season when I started watching week in week out!!

# SHOOTING STARS



**Football historian LEIGH EDWARDS profiles post-war Luton Town goalscoring favourites**

**GORDON TURNER**

Long-serving inside-forward Gordon Turner holds Luton Town's all-time goalscoring record. Signing professional at Kenilworth Road in March 1950, he featured in Luton's 1951-52 FA Cup run and 1952-53 promotion near-miss. He was leading marksman seven times, including 1954-55 when ever-present as they won promotion to the top-flight, also representing the Football League. Netting 243 goals in 406 League outings for the Hatters, he briefly reunited with Jesse Pye at Wisbech Town in July 1964, then played for Kettering Town, Dunstable and Bletchley. He lived and worked locally until his death in December 1976.

**RON DAVIES**

Welsh international striker Ron Davies was Luton Town's leading marksman in 1962-63. Initially with Chester, he twice topped their goalscoring charts and moved to Kenilworth Road in October 1962. He impressed with his aerial strength in a struggling side, netting 21 goals in 32 League games for Luton before joining Norwich City in September 1963. Moving to Southampton in August 1966, he was top scorer three times prior to joining Portsmouth in April 1973. He played for Manchester United, Arcadia Shepherds, LA Aztecs, Tulsa Roughnecks and Seattle Sounders, becoming a soccer coach in Florida.

**JOHN O'ROURKE**

England U-23 striker John O'Rourke was Luton Town's top scorer in three successive seasons. Initially with Arsenal, he moved via Chelsea to Luton in December 1963 and netted 64 goals in 84 League games while at Kenilworth Road before joining Middlesbrough in July 1966. He starred as they regained Second Division status at the first attempt in 1966-67, then had spells with Ipswich Town, Coventry City and QPR in the top-flight, moving to AFC Bournemouth in January 1974. Later with Poole Town, Johannesburg Rangers, Weymouth, Dorchester Town and Poole again, he has since been a newsagent in Highcliffe.

**MALCOLM MACDONALD**

Ace marksman Malcolm Macdonald was capped

14 times by England after leaving Luton Town. Initially with Tonbridge, he joined Fulham in August 1968 and moved to Kenilworth Road in July 1969. He was Luton's top scorer in two consecutive seasons including their 1969-70 promotion success and netted 49 goals in 88 League games before being sold to Newcastle United for £180,000 in May 1971. An FA Cup finalist in 1974, he joined Arsenal for £330,000 in August 1976 and was an FA Cup finalist again in 1978 before injury ended his career. He managed Fulham and Huddersfield Town and now works in the media.

**BARRY BUTLIN**

Striker Barry Butlin was leading marksman as Luton Town regained top-flight status in 1973-74. Signing professional for Derby County in January 1967, he had limited opportunities under Brian Clough and was loaned to Notts County prior to joining Luton for £50,000 in November 1972. He netted 24 goals in 57 League games while at Kenilworth Road before moving to Nottingham Forest for £122,000 in October 1974. Reunited with Clough, he featured in their 1976-77 promotion campaign and joined Peterborough United in August 1977, then played for Sheffield United. He is a financial adviser, living in Chellaston.

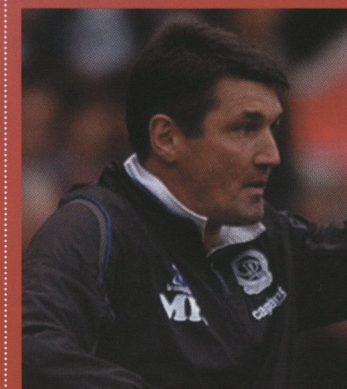
**BRIAN STEIN**

England international striker Brian Stein scored twice in Luton Town's 1988 Littlewoods Cup final triumph. Moving to Kenilworth Road from Edgware Town in October 1977, he was leading marksman in Luton's 1981-82 Second Division success and also starred as they were FA Cup semi-finalists in 1984-85 and 1987-88. He joined Caen in July 1988 and moved via Anney back to Luton in July 1991. Voted their 'Player of the Year' for the second time in 1991-92, he netted 130 goals in 427 League games overall before joining Barnet in August 1992, helping win promotion in 1992-93. His brother Mark also played for Luton.

**PAUL WALSH**

England international striker Paul Walsh was capped five times while at Luton Town. Signing professional for Charlton Athletic in October 1979, he starred in their 1980-81 promotion success and moved to Luton in July 1982. He was 'Player of the Year' in 1982-83 and leading marksman in 1983-84, netting 24 goals in 80 First Division games for the Hatters prior to

joining Liverpool in May 1984. Helping to win the League Championship in 1985-86, he joined Tottenham Hotspur in February 1988 and was an FA Cup winner in 1991. Later with Portsmouth and Manchester City until injury ended his career, he is now a football agent.



**MICK HARFORD**

England international striker Mick Harford played for Luton Town in consecutive Littlewoods Cup finals including their 1988 Wembley triumph. Signing professional for Lincoln City in July 1977, he had spells with Newcastle United, Bristol City and Birmingham City prior to joining Luton in December 1984. He starred as the Hatters were FA Cup semi-finalists in 1984-85 and 1987-88, moving to Derby County in January 1990 and returning to Luton in September 1991. Joining Chelsea in August 1992, he then played for Sunderland, Coventry and Wimbledon. He has since been coach and now manager back at Luton.

**STEVE HOWARD**

Striker Steve Howard topped Luton Town's goalscoring charts in five successive seasons. Initially with Tow Law, he joined Hartlepool United in August 1995 and moved to Northampton Town for £120,000 in February 1999. He starred in their 1999-2000 promotion campaign, joining Luton for £50,000 in March 2001. A key figure as the Hatters won promotion in 2001-02, then the League One title in 2004-05, he scored 95 goals in 212 League outings before being sold to Derby County for £1,000,000 in July 2006. He helped them win promotion in 2006-07 and joined Leicester City for £1,500,000 in January 2008.



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The stadium which was opened in 2003, is impressive looking and is of a good size. It is completely enclosed with all the corners filled with seating. All the stands are single tiered and of an equal height. There is a perspex strip that runs around the stadium, beneath the roof, to allow more light to reach the pitch. The stands look virtually identical apart from the South Stand, which has a row of executive boxes running across the back of it. In the South East corner of the stadium is a Police Control Box, whilst in the North East corner, there is a large video screen.

#### **What is it like for visiting fans?**

Away fans are housed in East Stand at one end of the stadium, where around 3,000 supporters can be accommodated. 'It's a nice stadium and there seems to be plenty of parking (although I heard several grumbles about the £5 charge!). The usual food and drink are on offer inside from well run & well staffed outlets and the view from the away end is very good. I hardly noticed the stewards (which is good), but the atmosphere was a little subdued on my visit. No surprise really with just over 3,600 fans sitting in a stadium that

can seat over 20,000'. Although I'm not that tall at six foot, I found the leg room to be one of the tightest that I have come across at a new stadium. I was so uncomfortable that I seriously thought about leaving before the end'.

Although the stadium is conservative in its design and shows little character, the acoustics inside are very good as well as the facilities on offer. It also has the best display of pies that I have ever come across at a football ground. Like going into your local bakers, glass cabinets display the rows of different hot pies that are available. These included pork pies (served hot), minced beef & onion and steak and kidney all at £1.30 each, plus as Tim Porter informs me they also now offer 'a steak and gravy pie with mushy peas and mint sauce for £2'. This 'Aladdin's Cave' of pies certainly had the desired effect on myself and my colleagues as we promptly ate a pie before the game started and another (or two) at half time (it did help our appetite though, that it was bitterly cold day!). However the downside was that teas and coffees were only available from a vending machine (which also had soup, crisps & chocolate), which meant queuing for a second time. The atmosphere was boosted somewhat by the presence of a drummer in the home end.

#### **Pre match drink**

The stadium is located on the outskirts of Darlington and there are not that many pubs in the vicinity. There is the Copper Beech Pub on Neasham Road, a ten minute walk towards the town centre. Otherwise there is the Tawny Owl Pub, a Vintage Inn which is about a quarter of a mile the other side of the A66 roundabout. This though is more of a restaurant than pub, but decent enough for lunch'.

It may therefore be an idea to drink in the town centre, where there are plenty of pubs to be found. For the real ale buffs there is the Number Twenty 2, in Coniscliffe Road. A large spacious pub, that offers food as well as a good range of beers. Mick Hubbard a visiting Aston Villa fans adds; 'We ducked down a little side street called Mechanic's Yard (which is opposite the indoor market, near the big train sculpture) and discovered a gem of a pub called the 'Quaker House'. The small bar was an Aladdin's Cave of real ales, having ten on tap. It was a fantastic place and also has a separate cafe upstairs'. There is also a Wetherspoons outlet situated on Skinnersgate.

At the stadium itself there are two bars; one called 'Bar 66' and the other called the 'Corner Bar'. Both admit away fans, however as you would expect they get very crowded. Otherwise alcohol is available on the concourses inside the stadium in the form of Fosters Lager & John Smiths Bitter.

#### **Parking**

There is a fair sized car park at the stadium which



costs £5 per car. Although the stewards do their best to let the cars get away quickly at the end of the game, it is almost an impossible task, with supporters also walking through car parks to leave the area, so expect some delay. If you continue on past the stadium towards Darlington, then there is some street parking to be found, although this can be quite a walk from the stadium as there is a residents only parking scheme in operation on matchdays in the streets nearest to the ground.

#### **Admission Prices**

Adults: £16, OAP's/Students £11, Under 16's £7, Under 11's £5, Under 10's Free.  
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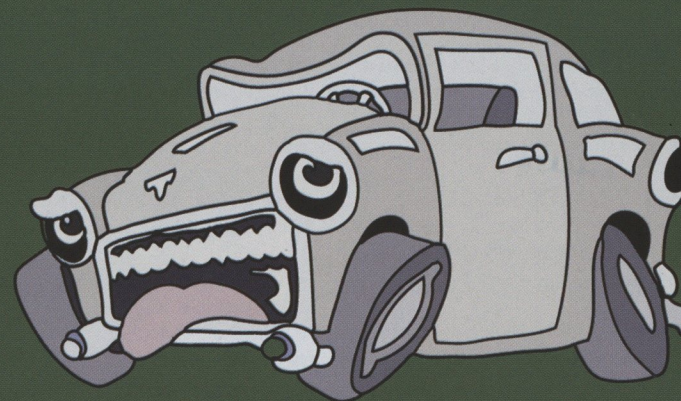
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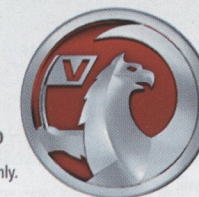
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Particularly pleasing was the reports on the away day experience, as the marking in all sections on the away supporter experience was very high. Club Secretary Neil Marsdin commented: "I think it is tremendous that in this our second season we have managed to achieve a kite mark that some clubs, who have been in the Football League for many more years than us, have failed to do. We must take on board the content of the full report and try to improve in those areas that have been identified as weaker than others, as next year our expectations will be higher.

"From my own point of view, and as a member of the Football League Working Party that are responsible for this scheme and also the Enjoy the Match promotion, it is gratifying to see that our identification of areas of improvement are coming to fruition. Prior to the start of this season, we issued to all club staff the criteria that the FL were using for this coming season, and it was something that all the staff wanted to achieve. So whilst this is an award to Morecambe Football Club, I believe it is an award that has been achieved by the dedication and professionalism of all the staff involved at Christie Park, and it gives us great encouragement to continue and improve on this award next season".

**EASTER SOCCER SCHOOLS**

Bookings are being taken for the Shrimps' next half-term soccer schools at Christie Park.

The club is hosting two four-day schools with the first taking place from Monday, April 6 - Thursday, April 9, at Christie Park.

The second is the week later from Tuesday, April 14 - Friday, April 17. Both are open to boys and girls aged 5-14. Sessions run from 10am to 3pm with registration at 9.45am on the first day. The cost is £40 or £37.50 if there are two or more children from the same family. Daily bookings can also be taken at £11. Those who take part will get quality coaching, certificates and a free gift and ticket to a first team game.

Anyone who would like to book a place is asked to contact Janet Preston on 01524 411797.

**MORECAMBE V BRADFORD CITY FRIDAY 10TH APRIL 2009**

MORECAMBE FC have decided to cash in on Bradford City's big away support by offering them tickets on the 'car-wash' terrace for the Christie Park Good Friday fixture.

The decision was taken after the club sought police safety advice.

Morecambe fans who have season tickets for that side of the ground will be offered tickets elsewhere in the ground as well as a £15 discount of a season ticket next season as an apology for inconvenience.

It had been feared Bradford fans - whose team, like Morecambe, is pushing for a play-off place in League Two - might try to enter the home sections if all tickets are sold for the away section, which is a certainty.

Club chief executive, Rod Taylor, said: "As a result of detailed discussions with the Lancashire Constabulary it has been decided between the club and safety officials to use the Car Wash Terrace for Bradford supporters for this fixture.

"A secondary consideration was the fact that Morecambe Football Club loses money year on year and this season will be the same.

Utilising the Car Wash Terrace in this way, for this particular match, will increase revenue and therefore benefit the club financially.

"This decision was not taken lightly and I would hope fans will view it in light of the careful consideration it received."



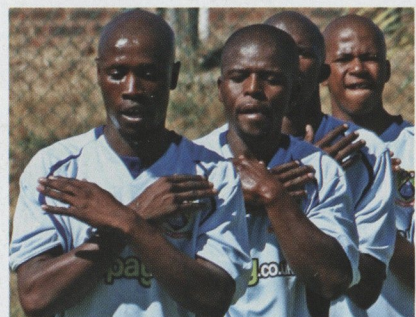
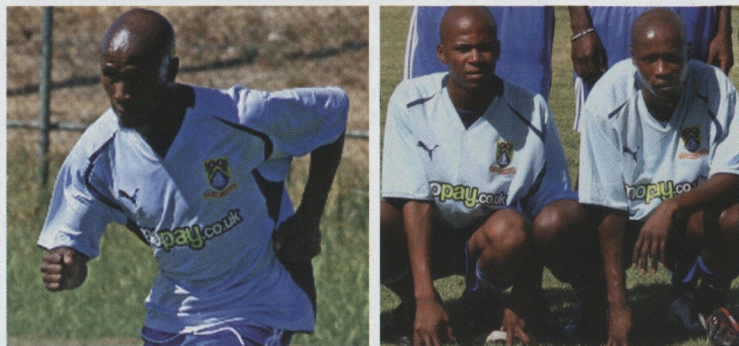


▶▶▶ Shrimps in SOUTH AFRICA



Here are some photos from my recent trip to South Africa, they are a team from the township of Mbekwani which is just outside Paarl in the Western Cape. The team is one of several managed by the local supermarket owner who provides the majority of the funding from his own pocket. I presented them with the shirts and the gratitude was immense as they receive very little funding from their League.

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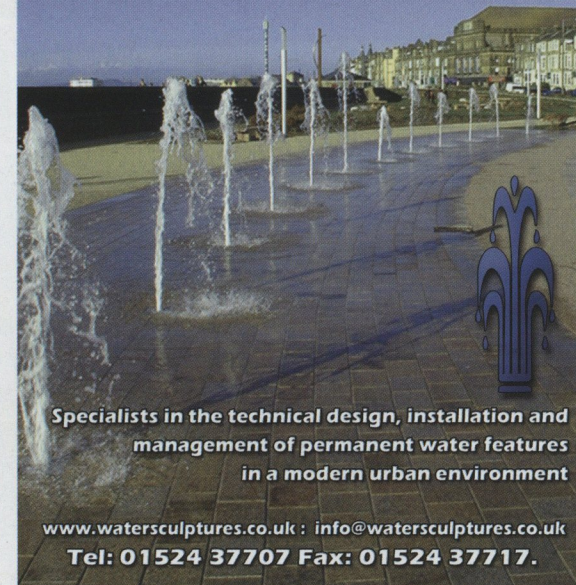


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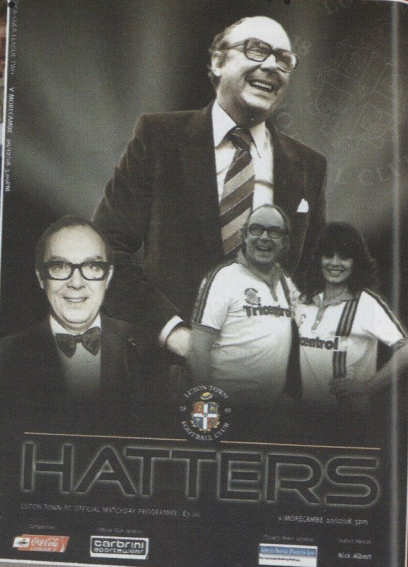
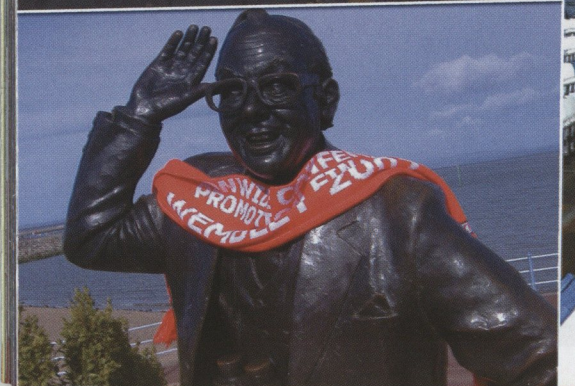
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Finally a big thank you to Mick Dennison of the York Hotel for purchasing and supplying the snooker balls.

**Ken Parker.**  
Morecambe Football Club

Over to Ken....."Yes I have returned, despite the rumours from well you know where I am sure. Today sees another edition of our half time draw game, called "We've Got the Balls".

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- The Yellow ball is worth £20**
- The Red ball is worth £10**
- The White ball is worth nothing!!!**

So unless the winner draws out the white ball he or she will be a "winner".

I am pleased to say we have "We've got the Balls" sponsored by Ladbroke Betting, and the lucky winner will also receive 25 pounds worth of betting vouchers as an extra bonus prize. As with "Open the Box" the jackpot will increase by 100 pounds per home game when tickets are sold, but unlike "Open the Box"





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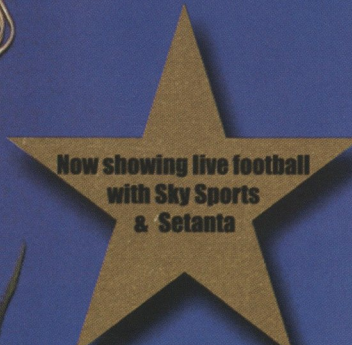
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**AS many of you know  
I am an avid reader of  
football blogs.**

Gavin Strachan's BBC one at the minute is, as I have said before, one I really enjoy. But this week I was alerted to one run by former top referee Jeff Winter who is now something of a media pundit in the north east.

He now has this very professional looking website of his own where he writes several articles a week about the football in his area. Some are very good too.

But he is not someone who is scared to hit below the belt as Accrington fans saw this week.

He laid into the Fraser Eagle Stadium after Tuesday night's game and said Darlington fans were treated "like animals" as they were forced to stand in an uncovered end while it was raining and blowing a gale. He also described the pitch as "non league standard" as the game was played under floodlights that "flickered"

It was a real assault and although I know Accrington's facilities are not the best I thought it was a bit over the top especially the line "Who makes the rules and regulations that lets a ground like Stanley's into the Football League?"

Whatever you think of Stanley's ground it

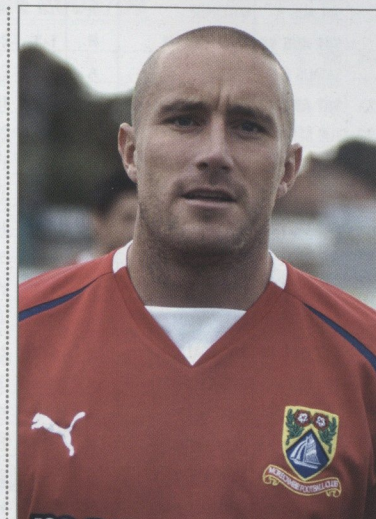
has passed those rules and that should be the end of it. For me they do a cracking job just being in the Football League and my only resentment towards them is that we never beat them but that's our fault not theirs. They have an issue with the seating that they have to put in this year and I feel they must be made to do that although I understand why they are unhappy about it as they won't get filled. But as long as they stick to the rules I feel that we should celebrate clubs like Stanley and ourselves being able to get into the league.

I don't ever like referring to us as "little" Morecambe but that is what I hear from opposing hacks up and down the country, even at Shrewsbury last week. Most of them don't mean any malice by it but it is something that does grate.

ONE thing I do hate is diving and I think I saw the worst example of it ever a couple of weeks ago when Blackburn Rovers' Morten Gamst Pedersen was guilty of the most pathetic dive I have witnessed this season and got away with it.

It was so shocking it was laughable but at the same time to me it shouldn't have gone unpunished. Like the authorities can retract or give out red cards retrospectively then they should be able to ban a player after the incident for something like that. I would like to think if I was a manager and he was in my team I would go out and make him stand in front of the cameras and apologise.

FINALLY we are hosting a football forum at the club for Wayne Curtis's testimonial year on Monday, April 27 with guest panellists being Sammy McLroy, Dave



Allison and former North End goalkeeper and now Republic of Ireland goalkeeping coach Alan Kelly. Tickets, including a pie and peas supper, are £10. Tickets are limited so please come and see me if you would like one. Before I advertise it fully,

**Derek**





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TUE JAN 27	ACCRINGTON S.	A	0-1	1407		M Oliver	Roche	Yates	Artell	Bentley	Adams	Wainwright	McLachlan	Stanley	
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TUE FEB 3	BRENTFORD	H	2-0	1253		M.Haywood	Roche	Yates	Bentley	Artell	Adams	Wainwright	Stanley	Drummond	
TUE FEB 10	LINCOLN CITY	H	1-1	1471		D Foster	Roche	Yates	Artell	Bentley	Adams	Wainwright	McLachlan	Stanley	
SAT FEB 14	CHESTER CITY	H	3-1	1795		A Penn	Roche	Yates	Artell	Bentley	Adams	Wainwright	Drummond	Hunter	
TUE FEB 17	ROCHDALE	A	1-1	3347		N Swarbrick	Roche	Artell	Bentley	Adams	Yates	Hunter	Drummond	Curtis	
SAT FEB 21	ALDERSHOT TOWN	A	2-0	2872		P Gibbs	Roche	Yates	Artell	Bentley	Adams	Wainwright	Hunter	Curtis	
TUE FEB 24	GRIMSBY TOWN	A	3-2	2644		C Sarginson	Roche	Yates	Artell	Bentley	Adams	Wainwright	Curtis	Drummond	
SAT FEB 28	WYCOMBE W.	H	0-0	2005		P Gibbs	Roche	Yates	Bentley	Artell	Adams	Wainwright	Drummond	Hunter	
SAT MAR 7	DAGENHAM	A	2-0	1403	81	J Linington	Roche	Yates	McStay	Bentley	Artell	Wainwright	Curtis	Drummond	
TUE MAR 10	BURY	H	0-0	2165	599	M Oliver	Roche	McStay	Bentley	Artell	Yates	Drummond	Hunter	Curtis	
SAT MAR 14	BARNET	H	2-1	1899	125	A Bates	Roche	Yates	Artell	Bentley	Adams	Wainwright	Drummond	Hunter	
SAT MAR 21	SHREWSBURY TOWN	A	0-0	5426	189	O Langford	Roche	Artell	Bentley	Adams	Yates	Curtis	Hunter	Drummond	
SAT MAR 28	LUTON TOWN	H													
SAT APR 4	DARLINGTON	A													
FRI APR 10	BRADFORD CITY	H													
MON APR 13	MACCLESFIELD	A													
SAT APR 18	NOTTS COUNTY	H													
TUE APR 21	ROTHERHAM	A													
SAT APR 25	EXETER CITY	A													
SAT MAY 2	BOURNEMOUTH	H													

McLachlan	Howe	Blinkhorn	Curtis	Drummond	O'Carroll	McStay	Davies								
Wainwright	Howe	Blinkhorn	Davies	O'Carroll	McCann	McStay	Curtis								
Curtis	Blinkhorn	Howe	Hunter	Parrish	Davies	O'Carroll	Drummond								
Curtis	Howe	Blinkhorn	O'Carroll	Drummond	Hunter	Davies	McLachlan								
Curtis	O'Carroll	Howe	McCann	Lloyd	McLachlan	Taylor	Davies								
Curtis	O'Carroll	Howe	Stanley	Blinkhorn	Davies	McLachlan	McStay								
Wainwright	Howe	O'Carroll	Smith	Stanley	McLachlan	McStay	Davies								
Twiss	Howe	O'Carroll	Stanley	Smith	Curtis	Davies	McStay								
Twiss	Howe	O'Carroll	Parrish	Wainwright	Curtis	McStay	Davies								
Twiss	Drummond	Howe	Curtis	Wainwright	Taylor	Davies	McStay								
Drummond	Curtis	Howe	Wainwright	Taylor	O'Carroll	McStay	Davies								
Curtis	Taylor	Howe	O'Carroll	Hunter	Davies	McCann	Parrish								
Curtis	Howe	Taylor	McCann	O'Carroll	McLhargey	Parrish	Edge								
Drummond	Howe	Taylor	McCann	Curtis	Davies	Wainwright	O'Carroll								
McLachlan	Howe	Taylor	Curtis	Davies	Wainwright	O'Carroll	McCann								
Stanley	Curtis	Howe	Taylor	O'Carroll	Davies	Wainwright	McCann								
Wainwright	O'Carroll	Taylor2	McCann	Artell	Davies	Lloyd	Carr								
McGivern	Howe	Carlton	Taylor	Wainwright	Artell	Davies	O'Carroll								
McGivern	Howe	Carlton	Wainwright	O'Carroll	Davies	Taylor	Parrish								
McLachlan	Howe	Carlton	Parrish	Davies	Wainwright	O'Carroll	Taylor								
McLachlan	Howe	Carlton	Carr	O'Carroll	Davies	Wainwright	Taylor								
Parrish	Howe	Carlton	Carr	Wainwright	Davies	Artell	O'Carroll								
Wainwright	Carlton	Howe	Taylor	Davies	Artell	McCann	Carr								
Drummond	Howe	Carlton	Artell	Carr	Edge	Taylor	McCann								
McLachlan	Carlton	Howe	Twiss	Taylor	Carr	Edge	Artell								
Wainwright	Carlton	Howe	Twiss	Edge	Artell	Taylor	Carr								
Twiss	Howe	Taylor	Hunter	O'Carroll	Blinkhorn	Davies	McCann								
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Drummond	Howe	Twiss	Blinkhorn	Hunter	O'Carroll	Davies	Taylor								
Drummond	Howe	Twiss	O'Carroll	Davies	Hunter	Taylor	Blinkhorn								
McLachlan	Howe	Twiss	Hunter	O'Carroll	Davies	Taylor	Blinkhorn								
Drummond	Blinkhorn	Twiss	Hunter	Curtis	Davies	O'Carroll	Taylor								
Curtis2	Twiss	Taylor	O'Carroll	Davies	Howe	McStay	Bell								
Wainwright	Twiss	Taylor	Howe	Davies	O'Carroll	McStay	Bell								
Drummond	Twiss	Howe	O'Carroll	Taylor	McStay	Bell	Davies								
Hunter	O'Carroll	Twiss	Duffy	Taylor	Davies	McLachlan	Bell								
Curtis	Twiss	O'Carroll	Duffy	Edge	McLachlan	Taylor	McStay								
Hunter	Twiss	O'Carroll	McLachlan	Edge	Taylor	Duffy	Prrish								
Wainwright	Twiss	O'Carroll	Duffy	Parrish	Taylor	Edge	McLachlan								
Curtis	O'Carroll	Twiss	Howe	McLaughlan	Edge	Duffy	McStay								
Wainwright	Twiss	Howe	Edge	O'Carroll	McLachlan	Duffy	McStay								

## Key:

1st Substitution  
2nd Substitution  
3rd Substitution

Home Games in BOLD CAPITALS  
Goal Scorers in Bold  
Booked Sent Off

## League Table 2008/09

	P	W	D	L	F	A	W	D	L	F	A	GD	PTS
Brentford	38	11	6	2	32	13	8	7	4	20	16	23	70
Rochdale	39	10	5	4	37	19	8	5	7	28	29	17	64
Gillingham	39	11	6	3	36	18	7	4	8	17	32	3	64
Wycombe	37	9	7	2	25	12	7	8	4	18	14	17	63
Bury	39	10	4	5	29	18	7	8	5	24	21	14	63
Exeter	38	10	4	5	30	22	7	6	6	24	22	10	61
Shrewsbury	39	14	3	3	39	14	1	11	7	14	23	16	59
Bradford	39	10	8	2	34	16	6	2	11	24	32	10	58
Chesterfield	37	7	6	5	29	23	8	4	7	28	26	8	55
Dag & Red	38	8	3	7	32	19	6	8	6	28	25	16	53
Morecambe	38	7	9	3	25	17	5	7	7	19	27	0	52
Darlington	38	11	4	4	32	16	6	5	8	20	20	16	50
Lincoln City	37	5	9	4	24	18	7	3	9	23	28	1	48
Aldershot	37	9	7	3	32	26	4	1	13	20	42	-16	47
Rotherham	36	9	5	4	26	15	8	5	5	23	18	16	44
Accrington Stanley	39	8	5	7	24	21	3	5	11	16	31	-12	43
Notts County	39	6	6	8	21	24	4	7	8	23	33	-13	43
Port Vale	37	6	2	11	21	31	6	3	9	18	25	-17	41
Macclesfield	38	6	3	11	20	34	5	3	10	19	34	-29	39
Barnet	37	5	6	7	25	31	3	6	10	21	35	-20	36
Bournemouth	39	9	6	5	22	13	4	6	9	25	34	0	34
Grimsbury	39	4	6	9	27	27	2	6	12	16	38	-22	30
Chester	39	4	6	9	23	28	2	5	13	14	44	-35	29
Luton	38	7	6	6	31	28	5	7	7	21	27	-3	



# TODAY'S SQUADS



## MORECAMBE

- 1 BARRY ROCHE
- 2 ADAM YATES
- 3 MICHAEL HOWARD
- 4 DAVID ARTELL
- 5 JAMES BENTLEY
- 6 CRAIG STANLEY
- 7 MICHAEL TWISS
- 8 GARRY HUNTER
- 9 WAYNE CURTIS
- 10 RENE HOWE
- 11 NEIL WAINWRIGHT
- 12 LEWIS EDGE
- 14 DIARMUID O'CARROLL
- 15 FRASER McLACHLAN
- 16 STEWART DRUMMOND
- 17 AARON TAYLOR
- 18 MARK DUFFY
- 21 MATTHEW BLINKHORN
- 22 ANDREW PARRISH
- 23 HENRY McSTAY
- 24 MATTHEW BELL
- 25 DANNY ADAMS
- 30 SCOTT DAVIES



## 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
- 9 SAM PARKIN
- 10 RYAN CHARLES
- 11 LEWIS EMANUEL
- 14 ASA HALL
- 15 ED ASAFU-ADJAYE
- 16 ROSSI JARVIS
- 18 CHRIS MARTIN
- 19 DREW TALBOT
- 20 MICHAEL SPILLANE
- 21 CONRAD LOGAN
- 22 MARK BOWER
- 24 TOM CRADDOCK
- 25 GEORGE BEAVAN
- 26 LEWIS PRICE
- 27 DEAN MORGAN
- 28 PAUL MCVEIGH
- 29 JORDAN PATRICK
- 30 MARK FARTHING
- 32 KEVIN GALLEN
- 33 JAKE HOWELLS
- 36 AARON FLETCHER
- 40 SCOTT SINCLAIR

## NEXT UP AT CHRISTIE PARK

### BRADFORD CITY

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## TODAY'S FIXTURES



### COCA-COLA LEAGUE TWO

#### Saturday, 28 March 2009

- Barnet v Darlington, 15:00
- Brentford v Gillingham, 15:00
- Bury v Bournemouth, 15:00
- Chester v Bradford, 15:00
- Chesterfield v Port Vale, 15:00
- Dag & Red v Macclesfield, 15:00
- Grimsby v Aldershot, 15:00
- Lincoln City v Notts County, 15:00
- Morecambe v Luton, 15:00
- Rochdale v Exeter, 15:00
- Rotherham v Accrington Stanley, 15:00
- Wycombe v Shrewsbury, 12:15

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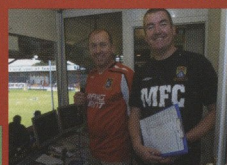
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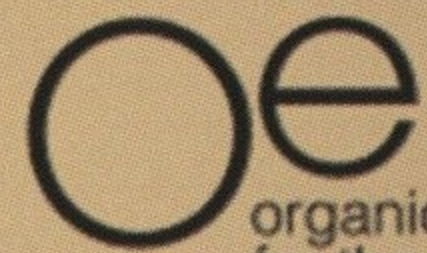
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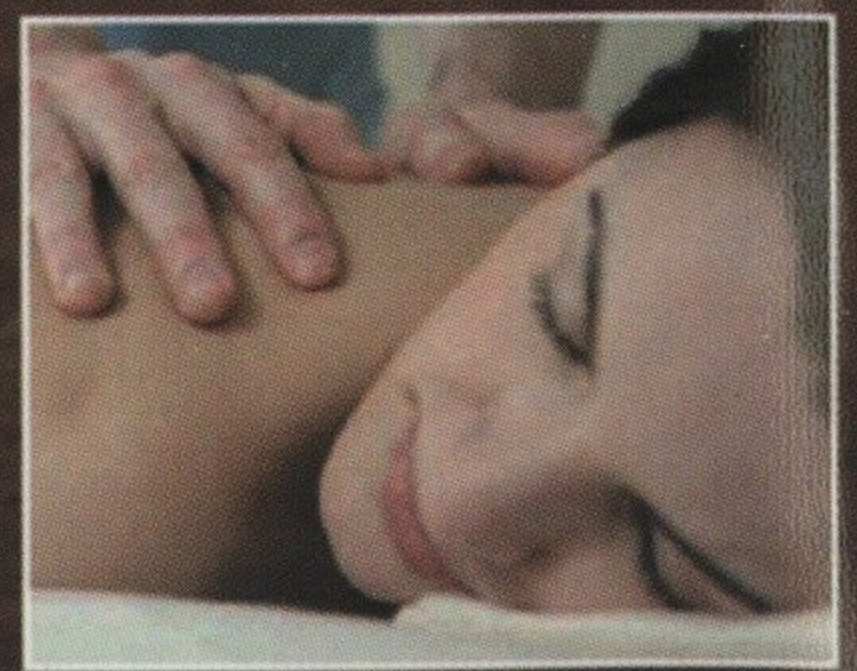


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