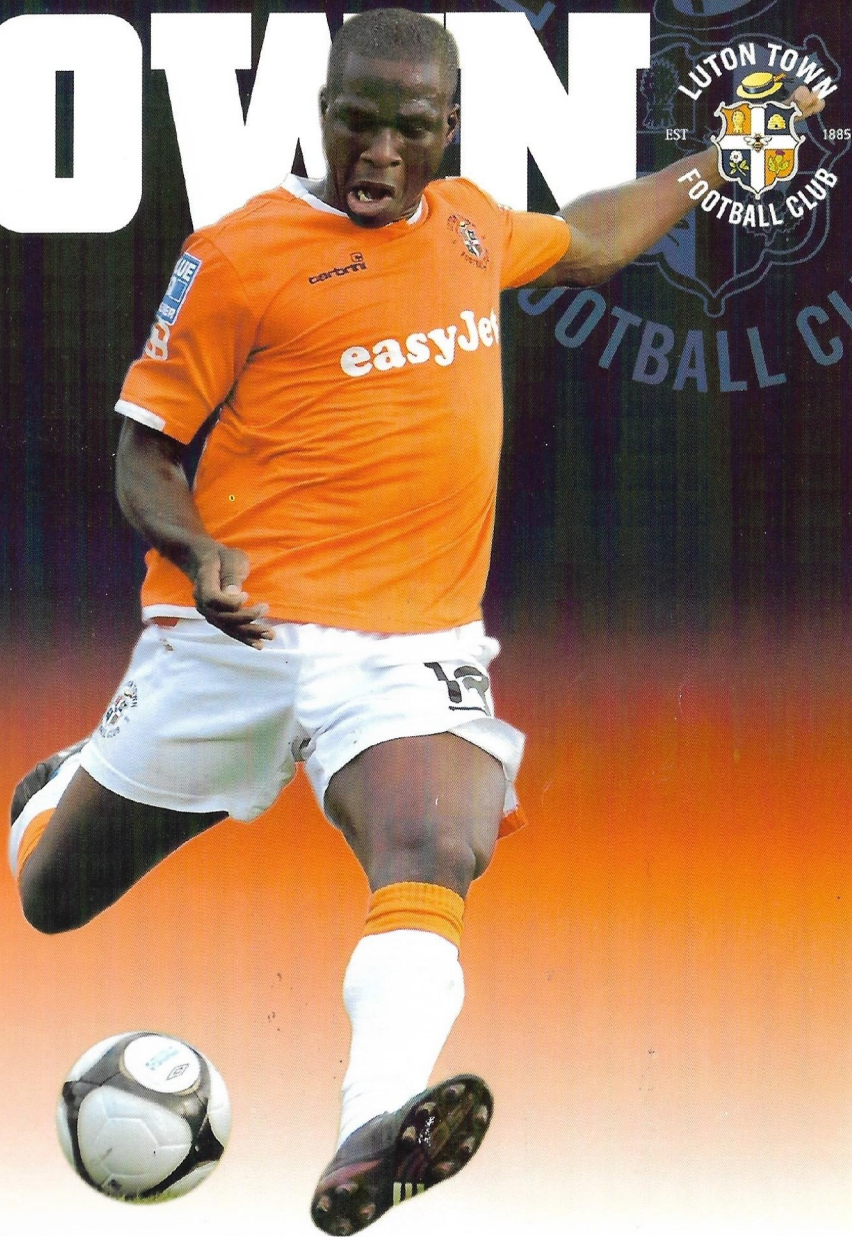


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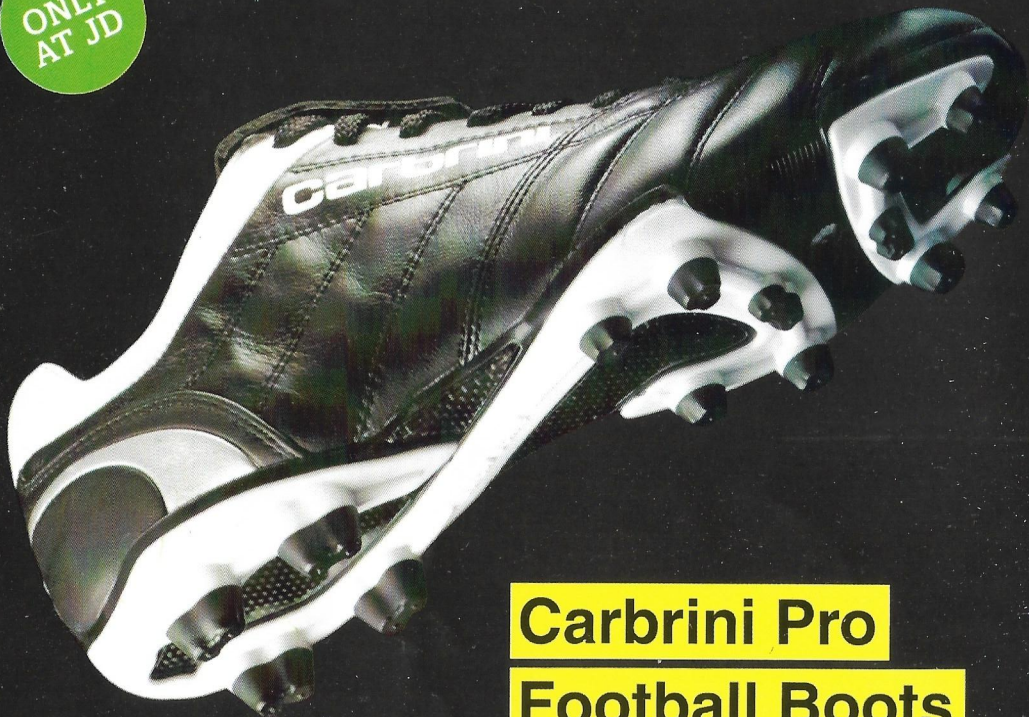
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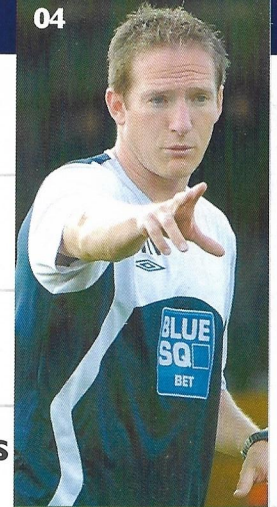
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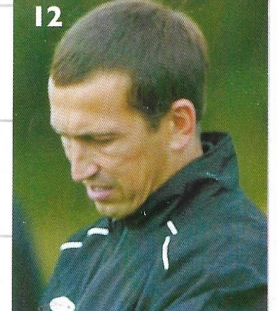
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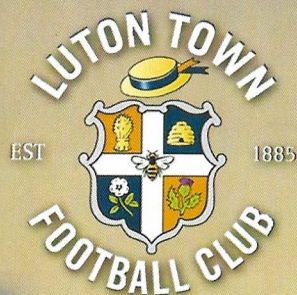
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## ALAN NEILSON

THE HATTERS' ASSISTANT MANAGER HOPES FOR A REPEAT PERFORMANCE OF LAST SATURDAY'S VICTORY.

Good afternoon and welcome today's local derby with Rushden & Diamonds.

I'd like to extend a warm welcome to Justin Edinburgh, his staff, the directors, players and supporters of Rushden who have made the short trip from Northamptonshire to be here.

Today is another opportunity for us to put further pressure on the sides above us in the table but we know it won't be easy against a Rushden side with aspirations of finishing in the Blue Square Premier's top five.

We know we will be in for a tough match this afternoon as they have only lost twice away from this season and – like us – they enjoyed a comfortable win in the FA Cup last weekend.

However we will get on with the job in hand and concentrate on continuing in the same vein of form that has seen us win four of our last five matches.

Last Saturday's win over Grays Athletic was really pleasing. We decided to change personnel to accommodate players who have been unable to feature in recent weeks due to injury.

I was absolutely delighted with the way those players came back into the side and applied themselves well like all the players have done since I've been in charge.

Callum Reynolds, Shane Blackett, Kevin Gallen and Andy Burgess were terrific considering the time they have spent on the sidelines either injured or ill.

Jake Howells and Ryan Charles again played particularly well since coming into the side in recent weeks where they have both made excellent impressions and contributions.

It goes to show the strength in-depth and the quality of our squad when you see the players who were unavailable for selection through injury and illness.

The amount of competition for places makes my job as caretaker even harder. It is difficult to pick 11 players let alone the five substitutes.

I'd like to congratulate Taylor Nathaniel on making his first team debut when he came on as a substitute last week. It will be a day he will never forget.

On the whole it was a very satisfying performance that saw us score three goals, keep another clean sheet and play some open, attacking high-tempo football.

It was particularly heartening to see Shane score the opening goal and Ryan's cross for the second goal was superb.

Once again Asa Hall capped a fine display with another goal from outside the box.

Asa is a rare commodity in football: a midfielder who is capable of scoring plenty of goals from that position whether it be arriving late in the box to score with his head or shooting from outside the area like he has done with success in our last two games.

The victory and performance against Grays saw us rewarded with another home tie when against Rochdale.

They are going well in League 2 and will provide us a stern test but that is for us to worry about next week.

Finally I'd like to thank all the players for their effort on my five games in caretaker charge.

I also couldn't have done it without the help of Kevin Watson, Harry Scott-Stackman, Dmitri Kharine, kitman Kevin Sanson, video analyst Tony McCool, all those involved in the youth set-up, the directors and supporters for making my tenure as caretaker manager so enjoyable.

All the players have given me 100 per cent effort and that's all a manager or a coach can ask for.

I hope we can continue our good form this afternoon and for the rest of the season as we strive to get back in the Football League.

Enjoy the game.

All the best

Alan.





## 2020 MISSION

CHAIRMAN NICK OWEN ON THE START OF A NEW ERA.



Good afternoon and welcome to Kenilworth Road for our Blue Square Premier fixture against Rushden and Diamonds.

A special welcome to our neighbours from Nene Park - fans, players, staff and directors alike. We all arrive at the ground on an auspicious day for Luton Town Football Club, the start of a new and exciting era.

Richard Money was appointed manager yesterday and I know you'll all join me in wishing him well. We believe he's inheriting an enthusiastic staff, an excellent squad of players and a superb spirit in the dressing room. The club itself is healthy and our position in the league table very encouraging.

What is also just as exciting is not just the consolidation of Alan Nielson as

Richard's Assistant but the brilliant news that Gary Brabin has also joined our coaching team as Chief Scout.

Many of you will remember Richard from his playing days here under David Pleat. He used to line-up alongside the likes of Paul Walsh, Brian Stein, Mal Donaghy, Kirk Stephens, Jake Findlay, Ricky Hill, Brian Horton, David Moss and Raddy Antic - in fact, he was a key member of the top flight side in the season we managed that heart stopping escape from relegation on the last day at Manchester City. Fabulous memories!

Richard returns to Kenilworth Road with an excellent reputation as a coach and manager, with experience at a variety of levels in the game, both here and abroad. I've known him personally since he played for

us, had chats with him on many occasions and I am delighted he's become our new manager.

We were astonished by the huge number of applications for the job and many of them were extremely impressive. Selecting our new manager has been a lengthy and exhaustive process, but we were determined to explore every avenue and ensure we made the right decision for our beloved football club.

Gary Brabin also brings impressive credentials to our Club. A finalist in last season's Conference play-offs as Cambridge United's manager resulting in him being rewarded as the Conference Premier's manager of the year. We are delighted to be able to welcome someone of Gary's quality and experience into our fold which will only increase our chances of success this season.

As they start their new jobs, I am sure Richard, Alan and Gary would be the first to acknowledge Mick Harford's great work in putting our squad together and the fabulous efforts recently of Alan Nielson and Kevin Watson. As caretakers, they've produced some exhilarating football and some tasty results. Alan and Kevin, thanks very much. They are both still very much part of our club's future.

Changing the subject, it's amazing how you can bump into Luton fans in the most unlikely of places. A couple of weeks ago I went to a Tom Jones concert at the NEC near Birmingham. I was lucky enough, with three friends, to have a drink or two with Tom in his dressing room before the show. While we were chatting away, his Personal Assistant came in and immediately started asking me about the Town.

“ We believe he's inheriting an enthusiastic staff, an excellent squad of players and a superb spirit in the dressing room. ”

It turned out, he's a massive fan and was even on the books as a youngster many decades ago! Don Archell's his name and I think a member of his family is a season ticket holder. Let's hope we can get a good result for the green, green grass of home! Sorry! Couldn't have used that line when we had the astro-turf, could I?

Finally, on a personal note, I'd like to tell you that one of my sons, Tim, is getting married to Emily next week. Lots of luck and

happiness to you both. Tim's stag night starts here this afternoon with a bunch of friends, who've pushed the boat out and bought a box for the occasion. Tim is such a determined football fan that he's planned the wedding for a Friday so we can all avoid the agony of missing a Luton game!

That's my boy - brought up in the right way!

Here's to a great match and the right result for Luton Town.

Nick.



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## KEVIN NICHOLLS

It was a case of 'job done' after last Saturday's FA Cup victory over Grays Athletic.

Despite being unable to call on players due to injury, illness, ineligibility and suspension, we still managed to score three goals and keep a clean sheet to see us safely into the hat for the first round.

The game gave a number of players who have not been in the side recently due to injury the chance to stake their claim for a place in the starting XI and although we were a bit sloppy in the second half we were all delighted with the victory.

It was vital that we scored so early in the game and the own goal before half-time made things much easier for us

Then Asa Hall popped up again with another goal from outside the box to seal the win in the final 10 minutes.

Without wanting to be disrespectful to Grays it was strange to see us playing in the qualifying round of the competition but we overcame that hurdle and now find ourselves playing a team who are doing well in the league above in Rochdale.

That will be a good test for us next week but we're focusing on today's game and the visit of Rushden & Diamonds.

Although it's not quite a local derby, I know a lot of people are looking forward to this game and it gives a chance to compete with a side who have plenty of quality players at this level to cause us problems.

We will of course have your backing again today and hopefully another big crowd at Kenilworth Road can help us secure another victory that would extend our unbeaten run to six games.

We have built up some momentum over the past month with a string of fine results and it's up to us to keep it going.

The players and I are ready for the challenge and it's important - with so many home fixtures coming up before the turn of the year - to continue our good run of form at home which has been good bar one defeat.

I would now like to take this opportunity to welcome Richard Money as the new manager of the Club.

On behalf of all the players we wish him all the best. The players and I are behind him 100 per cent and we are all looking forward to working with him.

Following the appointment, I would like to say thank you to Gary Sweet and Antony Brown for their hard work and support since Mick Harford's departure as they searched to fill the managerial vacancy.

They have kept me informed with the on-going situation and as my duty as Club Captain I have kept the rest of the squad in the loop with the latest news.

I'm sure you will all join me in saying a huge well done and thank you to Alan Neilson in his role as caretaker manager, together with his staff.

His appointment as Richard's number two is thoroughly deserved and hopefully we will continue the good form of late that has seen us cement our place in the top five with a victory today.

Enjoy the game.

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# HATTERSNEWS

ALL THE LATEST FROM AROUND  
KENILWORTH ROAD



## SATURDAY 24TH OCTOBER

The Town progress comfortably past Grays Athletic in the fourth qualifying round of the FA Cup.

An own goal from the Blues' Petar Rnkovic and strikes from Shane Blackett and Asa Hall earned the Hatters a 3-0 victory over Julian Dicks' side.

Meanwhile, injury and illness puts pay to the Under 18s' Youth Alliance fixture with Wycombe Wanderers.

## SUNDAY 25TH OCTOBER

The Hatters were handed a home draw against League 2 side Rochdale in the First Round proper of the FA Cup.



## MORE SUPPORT FOR SOLYD

Members of the Century Club presented Supporters of Luton Youth Development with a cheque for £1,000 during half-time at our match with York City on 20th October.

The funds will be used towards purchase a scaffold tower for use at the Ely Way training ground to video Under 16 and Under 18 games which will be enormously beneficial to analyse and provide individual feedback on performances.

Century Club members John Chatterley, John Thompson and Joan Walsh are pictured handing the cheque over to Solyd's Simon Gibbs.

## HAPPY BIRTHDAY

Happy Birthday Steve. We hope have a great day at the football with Rozwell, Lonely Jim and Lee. Lots of love from Sharon and Kiesha.

Happy Birthday diamond season ticket

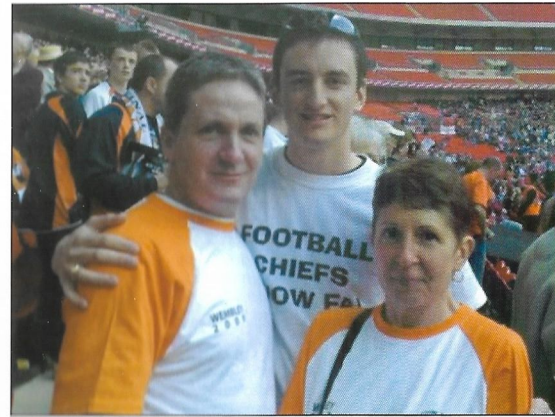
Joe McGrath who is 50 years old today. Joe is watching the game in an executive box this afternoon. Here is Joe pictured with his three daughters in Luton Town shirts.

We hope you have a great day, Joe.



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Also celebrating their 50th birthday is Julie Williams love Clive and Mike.

Hatters' fan Gary Atwell who walked into a shop in Koh Phi-Phi, Thailand in June 2009 and came face-to-face with the shop owner wearing a Luton Town shirt.



The shop owner's sister lives in Luton and gave him the shirt, further evidence the Town are known across the globe.

Having had a season ticket for 36 years, sponsored matches, balls, nets and players, Chris and Ruth Park are now showing their love of the Town in a different away



after deciding to up sticks and have a boat built to live upon. Now the Hatters are on show up and down the canals attracting comments from fans wherever they go!

The Hatters' totesport.com Combination clash with Peterborough United has been brought forward to next week.



The game with the Championship club was originally scheduled for Wednesday 6th January but it will now be played at Kenilworth Road on Tuesday 3rd November. Kick-off for the match with Posh will be at 2pm.

The Bobbers Club are holding a Halloween party after today's match. The entrance is situated at the Oak Road of the ground next to the away turnstiles.

Starting at 8pm there will be a disco and food available on the night. Everyone welcome and come dressed for the occasion!

# HATTERSDIARY

MONDAY 2ND NOVEMBER

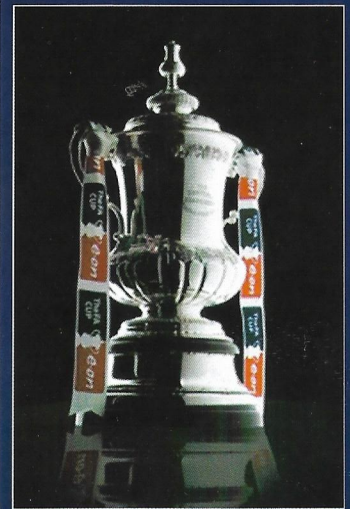
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Alan Neilson, goalkeeper Mark Tyler and defender George Pilkington are guest speakers at the Luton Town Supporters' Club evening which takes place in the Eric Morecambe suite at 7pm.

## SATURDAY 7TH NOVEMBER

A place in the second round of the FA Cup is at stake as the Town tackle Keith Hill's Rochdale at Kenilworth Road.

The Dale's last visit was for the Town's final home match in the Football League, at the end of last season in a game that finished one a piece with Tom Craddock scoring from the spot for the Hatters.







# RUSHDEN & DIAMONDS

A LOOK AT TODAY'S OPPONENTS



**Nickname:** Diamonds  
**Manager:** Justin Edinburgh  
**Ground:** Nene Park  
**Last season:** Conference 11th  
**2008/09 average attendance:** 1,509  
**2009/10 BSP title odds:** 25/1

### PREVIOUS MEETINGS:

Luton wins: 5  
Rushden & Diamonds wins: 0  
Draws: 1

The Hatters have met the Diamonds four times in the Football League, winning three and drawing one. Our last clash was in 2003/04 when we drew 2-2 at Nene Park. We have also been paired in the FA Cup in 2000/01 and the LDV Vans Trophy in 2003/04, winning both.

Prior to this, we played both Rushden and

Irthingborough Diamonds during our formative years in Victorian and Edwardian times.

### RECENT HISTORY:

It was 1992 when Irthingborough Diamonds and Rushden Town merged to form to Rushden & Diamonds.

Diamonds climbed the pyramid within years of their inception, firstly winning the Southern League Division One Midlands title in 1993/94.

After a season in the Southern League Premier, the club were soon on the move again when winning the title the following season earning the club a place among the non-league elite.

The ambition of Chairman at the time Max

Griggs soon saw the success at Nene Park continue when they won the Conference title in 2000/01 earning promotion to the Football League for the first time in the club's short history.

Diamonds' were not intent on staying up in Division 2 and in their first season in the League they came close to another promotion but lost to Cheltenham Town in the Play-Off Final at the Millennium Stadium.

However the Nene Park faithful didn't have long to wait to get over the heartache as the following campaign in 2002/03 they pipped Hartlepool United to the Division 3 title.

Despite hopes of a further promotion the Diamonds' couldn't adapt to the step-up to the League's third tier and were subsequently relegated back to Division 3 after one season.

And worse was to follow when the club slid out of the Football League the following season leaving them to face Conference football again for the first time since leaving the division four years previous.

Since heading back into non-league the Diamonds have finished 12th, 15th and 11th in their last three campaigns.

### FACT:

Boss Justin Edinburgh's first match in charge of the Diamonds' ended with a 9-0 victory over Weymouth. Weymouth had to field a youth team after the first team squad left the club over a pay dispute.

## THE MANAGER

JUSTIN EDINBURGH

As a player Edinburgh started his career with Southend United before moving to Tottenham Hotspur in 1990 for £150,000.

A defender by trade he made over 200 appearances for Spurs in a 12 year period that saw him win the FA Cup in 1991 and the League Cup two years later.

Portsmouth was his next port of call before dipping into non-league football with Billericay Town going onto become the Essex outfit's Player-Manager.

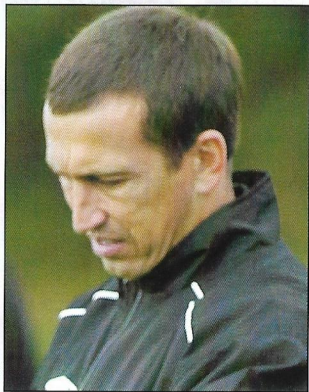
In January 2006 he left New Lodge to take over the reins at Fisher Athletic where he

guided the Fish to a third place finish in the Isthmian League that eventually saw the London outfit promoted via the Play-Offs.

After leaving Fisher by mutual consent in November 2006 he became Assistant Manager at Grays Athletic going to become first team boss at the Recreation Ground.

Edinburgh then left the Blues by mutual consent in February 2008 and following a brief scouting job with Nottingham Forest he joined Rushden & Diamonds as Assistant Manager to Garry Hill in October 2008.

Then, following Hill's departure, Edinburgh took over as Caretaker Manager before landing the job permanently at Nene Park in April 2009.



Just six points currently separate Rushden & Diamonds and Luton Town but Assistant Manager Michael Stone knows that this afternoon's match will be the acid test for his side.

After three wins on the bounce, including victories away at Chester and Workington understandably confidence is high at Nene Park but Stone is realistic about the task facing them at Kenilworth Road: "We've had our eye on the Luton fixture for some while and there is some genuine excitement amongst the players.

"We know that they are a great football club, with tremendous support and hopefully we'll thrive in that atmosphere and we'll go there looking to continue our good run.

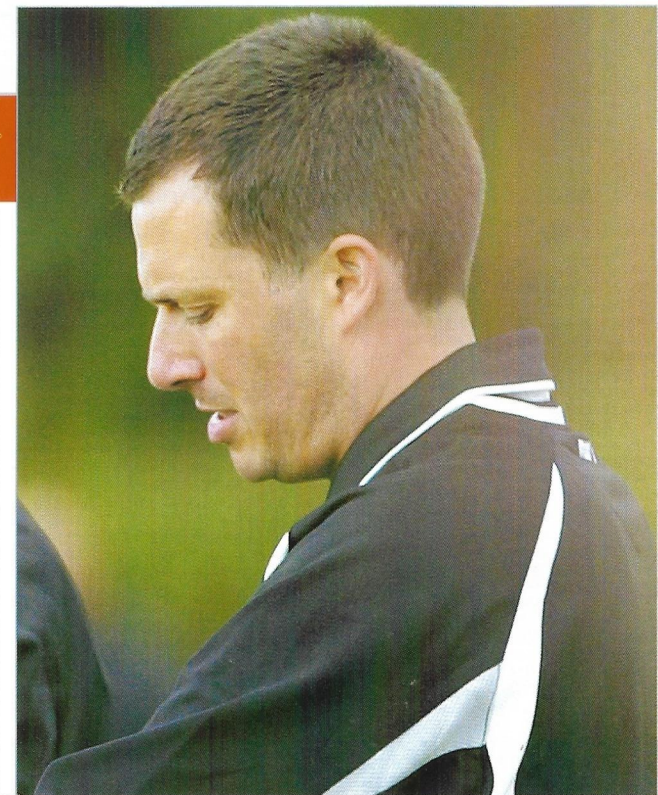
## MICHAEL STONE

THE DIAMONDS' ASSISTANT MANAGER EXPECTS A TOUGH GAME THIS AFTERNOON

"We should be full of confidence, we've had three good wins but we know that Luton were strong favourites pre season and remain right up in that pack."

I have been to watch them twice in the last month, I saw them play York City and Crawley Town and I can see they are a very strong team. I think maybe their biggest challenge has been the expectations around the club, having dropped into the Conference.

People expected them to be top of the league and bounce straight back up but possibly they have found things slightly more difficult than they would have imagined.



"We'll be looking to go there in a positive frame of mind and be looking to come back with something in our pocket.

"Oxford United may have already picked up 40 points from just 17 games and opened up quite a lead from the chasing pack the rest of the table is still pretty compact with just six points separating sixth position to 14th place and although there are still plenty of points still to

play for this weekend could make things a bit clearer.

"There are some interesting games on Saturday - Mansfield have Histon, Crawley play York and Kettering are playing Stevenage, a lot of those top eight to 10 sides are actually playing each other so whichever teams grasps the chance and gets the right result could find themselves catapulted right up there."

“ People expected them to be top of the league and bounce straight back up but possibly they have found things slightly more difficult than they would have imagined. ”





## GOALKEEPERS

### Dale Roberts

Former Nottingham Forest stopper who signed a two-year deal for the Diamonds in January 2009 after two successful loan spells. Roberts initially signed on-loan from Forest in the 2007/08 season, making 19 appearances, including the Setanta Shield Final, before returning to the City Ground as that season drew to a close. In the 2008/09 season Roberts signed on loan again in October 2008. His impressive performances during the 2008/09 season included an appearance for the England C team in their 4-0 victory over Malta. His performances also won him the Rushden & Diamonds Travel Club Player of the Season award.

### Nathan Abbey

A familiar name to Hatters fans, Abbey was signed by the Diamonds in mid-September 2009 following his release by MK Dons. He started his career at Kenilworth Road before joining Chesterfield in 2001. He has also played for Northampton Town, Stevenage Borough, St Albans City, Hayes, Boston United and Bristol City.

## DEFENDERS

### Curtis Osano

Kenyan-born defender Osano signed for the Diamonds on a two-year contract, following his release by the Championship side Reading at the start of the 2008/09 season. Osano spent the 2007/08 season at Nene Park on work experience after joining Reading's Academy as a schoolboy. He had previous spells at Aldershot Town in October 2006 and Woking in January 2007. He showed his flexibility by moving to a role in the centre of defence for a period in the middle of the season, before reverting to his right back role. His performances won him the Diamonds Supporters' Player of the Season award, and the Diamond Minors' Player of the Season award.



CURTIS OSANO

### Kurt Robinson

Another player who signed for the Diamonds following a successful loan spell, Robinson joined on a permanent basis prior to the start of the 2009/10 season from Ipswich Town. An initial one month loan in January 2009 was extended for the remainder of the season, and when he was released by Ipswich at the end of the season, Diamonds boss Justin Edinburgh wasted no time in snapping the defender up in May 2009. He made his Diamonds debut in the FA Trophy game at Torquay United on 10th January 2009 before making his league debut in the Blue Square Premier the following weekend in the 1-0 defeat by Ebbsfleet United.

### Jamie Stuart

Experienced defender who was announced as the Diamonds' Captain following his arrival at Nene Park in June 2009. The former England Under 21 international started his career with Charlton Athletic and later went onto to play for Millwall, Bury, Southend and Hornchurch. From Hornchurch he moved to Grays Athletic where he spent recent years as the club's captain and also having a spell as joint-Assistant Manager of the Blues early in 2009.

### Simon Downer

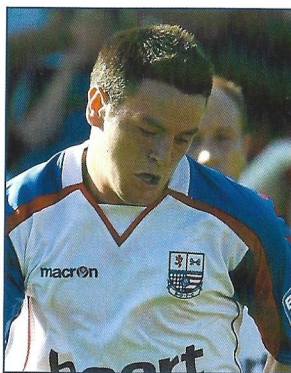
Former Leyton Orient defender with a wealth of non-league experience who signed for the Diamonds at the beginning of 2009, from Sutton United. Downer started his career at Brisbane Road where he stayed between 1998 and 2004 before moving to Weymouth for the 2005/06 season, he then moved to Grays in 2006 and then joined Wivenhoe two years later. He made his Diamonds debut in the 1-1 draw with Stevenage Borough on New Year's Day 2009 and after impressing during the remainder of the 2008/09 season, he signed a one-year deal with the club at the end of May.

### Michael Corcoran

Versatile Northern Irish youth international who signed for the Diamonds midway through the 2007/08 season from Oxford United. Corcoran started his career at Cardiff City, working up through the youth system before moving to Oxford, initially on loan, and then signing permanently at the Kassam Stadium in May 2007. During the 2008/09 season Michael played 38 times for the Diamonds in the League, including seven as substitute. He played in midfield early on in the season before reverting to full back, playing both left and right back, as well as enjoying a spell at centre back.

### Jack Higgins

Young defender who joined Diamonds from Boston United in July 2007 having previously been with Crewe Alexandra as a trainee. Higgins was chosen as the Diamonds' Young Player of the Season for 2008/09, and his



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performances were rewarded when he was offered a professional contract to keep him with the club.

## MIDFIELDERS

### Max Porter

Midfielder who signed from League 2 side Barnet in May 2009 on a one-year contract to become Justin Edinburgh's first summer signing. Porter started his career with Southend United, later moving to Cambridge United and then Bishop's Stortford. At Underhill he made 63 appearances and scored twice in two seasons with the Bees where he also featured at right-back.

### Rob Wollaston

Midfielder who joined Rushden from fellow Blue Square Premier rivals Cambridge United on a two-year deal for an undisclosed fee prior to the start of the 2008/09 season. Rob began his career at Chelsea and joined the U's from Oxford United, making over 90 appearances, including scoring both the goals in the second leg of the Blue Square Premier Play-Off Semi-Final against Burton Albion which took his side to Wembley. He made his debut by appearing as a substitute for the Diamonds in their 1-0 opening day victory over Eastbourne Borough in August 2008 and scored his first goal for the club in the Diamonds 1-0 victory over Burton Albion just a month later. With a late flurry of goals in the 2008/09 season, he finished the season as joint-top league goalscorer, with eight league goals from 41 appearances.

### James Reid

Left-winger who signed on-loan from Nottingham Forest in early July until January. A product of the Forest Academy, Reid had played one game for Forest prior to arriving at Nene Park coming on as a substitute in the 90th minute of a Championship win



AARON O'CONNOR

over Barnsley. James is a key player in the Forest reserve team and was named Academy Player of the Year in 2007/08. He has represented England at Under 17 level where he played in the Under 17s World Cup and has also played for the national team at Under 18 level.

### Nick McNamara

Midfielder who signed a one-year deal with the Diamonds in April following his release from Premier League side Hull City. Nick was given his first professional contract the KC Stadium at the start of the 2008/09 season, after developing through the Tigers' youth sides. He made his Diamonds debut as a substitute in the goalless draw at Grays Athletic on 31st March 2009 and then went on to make his first start on 13th April in the game at Histon.

### Jamie McGuinness

The right-sided midfield player joined as an eighteen year-old free agent from Luton Town at the start of the 2008/09 season. Jamie began his career as a trainee at Kenilworth Road, mostly playing on the right-hand side of midfield. He then made his Blue Square Premier debut on January 23rd 2009 when appearing as a substitute against Forest Green Rovers, and went on to make five league appearances that term.

### Matt Pattison

Winger who signed a one-year deal at Nene Park in mid-June 2009 after he was released by Woking at the end of the last season. Previously at the Cards for two seasons, Matt has also had spells with Farnborough and Camberley Town. He primarily plays on the right wing, but can also play down the left.

### Mark Byrne

Another player on-loan at Nene Park from Nottingham Forest, Byrne featured prominently for Nottingham Forest's reserves after graduating from their academy. He earned his first team debut under manager Billy Davies and was sent on-loan to Blue Square Premier Champions Burton Albion towards the end of last season.

### Paul Terry

Central midfielder who joined the Diamonds from Grays Athletic at the end of August 2009 on a deal until the end of the season. The brother of Chelsea and England Captain John, Paul started his career at Charlton later moving to Dagenham & Redbridge and then Yeovil playing over 100 games for each club. After helping Yeovil to promotion to League 1, Paul signed for Leyton Orient where he played over 70 games, before moving to Grays at the start of the 2009/10 season.

## STRIKERS

### Aaron O'Connor

Striker who signed for the Diamonds from Mansfield Town in June. O'Connor started his career at Ilkeston Town, having spells at Scunthorpe and Nuneaton Borough before returning to Ilkeston. Aaron played for Gresley Rovers between 2004 and 2007 where he played 127 games and scored 80 goals earning him the Player's Player of the Year, Manager's Player of the Year and Supporter's Player of the Year awards two years running. In 2006, O'Connor nearly signed for Rushden & Diamonds, under Manager Paul Hart at the time. He played in pre-season friendlies, however he returned to Gresley, later moving to Grays Athletic, where he played under Justin Edinburgh. O'Connor signed for Mansfield in 2008, playing 39 games and scoring eight goals before being reunited with Edinburgh at Nene Park this summer.

### Craig Farrell

Striker who joined the Diamonds in the summer from York City in a deal that saw Michael Rankine move in the opposite direction. Farrell started his career as a junior with Middlesbrough and later Leeds United, before moving to Carlisle after a loan move was made permanent. After scoring 20 goals in 80 appearances for the Cumbrians he signed for Exeter City before moving to York.

### Lee Tomlin

Following his release from the Leicester City youth scheme Tomlin signed at Nene Park in 2005 and in October that year he made Diamonds history as the Club's youngest ever player when he came on as a substitute in an away game at Wycombe Wanderers. After a number

of substitute appearances he made his full debut for the club at Nene Park in the First Round FA Cup Replay against Halifax Town in November 2005, and his full league debut against Peterborough United while he was still aged 16. Capable of playing across midfield and in attack, Tomlin also became the club's youngest ever goalscorer. Having played in a wide-right role in midfield he was given a more conventional striking role when Justin Edinburgh took charge. His efforts and commitment meant that he also won the Players' Player of the Season award for that season.

### Sam Smith

After just over a year in the youth ranks at Nene Park, Sam Smith was rewarded with a place in the first team squad in spring 2008. He had joined the club early in 2007 after being spotted playing by ex-Diamonds goalkeeper Kevin Shoemake, playing for Corby Town Under-18s. Sam made his league debut with a substitute appearance against Cambridge United on 8th April 2008, then went on to make his first League start against Oxford United later that month, and scored his debut goal in the final game of the season against Aldershot. He was then offered and signed a contract, prior to the start of the 2008/09 season, until the end of the 2010/11 season.

### Cliff Akurang

Former Luton trainee Akurang joined Rushden & Diamonds on a season long loan from Barnet in July 2009. The forward started his career with Chesham United, later playing for Thurrock, Heybridge Swifts, Dagenham & Redbridge (in the season they won the Conference), Histon, Weymouth (on loan) and Barnet.



CLIFF AKURANG



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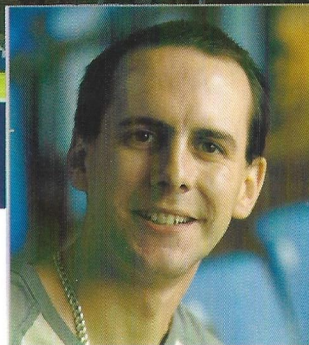
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## NUMBERSGAME

**2,746**

The lowest attendance for a fixture between the

sides came in the second round LDV Trophy match on 4th November 2003. The Hatters progressed through to the third round with a 2-1 victory courtesy of a first goal for Luton from Enoch Showunmi and a penalty converted by Michael Leary.

**6**

The number of previous competitive matches between Luton and Rushden & Diamonds.

Four of these were played in the Football League while there has been one FA Cup tie and one fixture in the LDV Vans Trophy.

**1**

It was an FA Cup first round tie when the sides first met back in November 2000. A solitary goal from Liam George was enough to put the Hatters through to the second round in a game screened live on television.

**7,495**

The biggest attendance for a fixture between the teams

followed a year later when they met in the old Division Three. Once again the match was decided by a single goal, this time scored by Dean Crowe. The Hatters did the double that season, with a 2-1 win at Nene Park in March 2002. Crowe was again on target and Steve Howard scored the decisive winner with eight minutes left.

**3**

After a strange few months at Kenilworth Road, Luton fans were just grateful that the season was finally underway on 9th August 2003. The visitors took a first half lead through Onandi Lowe but Tony Thorpe scored twice after the break and Matthew Spring wrapped up the points in injury time to secure a 3-1 victory.

**1**

Rushden have only ever taken one point off the Hatters and this came in the 2-2 draw at Nene Park on 10th January 2004. Adrian Forbes and Peter Holmes

**28**

The number of years since Luton last won on this date, back in 1981 when a David Moss penalty secured a 1-0 victory over Crystal Palace at Kenilworth Road.

**1885**

On this day 124 years ago the Hatters played in the FA Cup for the very first time following the amalgamation of two local sides Wanderers and Excelsior in the previous April. Luton lost the tie 3-0 at Great Marlow.



LIAM GEORGE ON TARGET IN 2000

## PLAYERSTATS

	THIS SEASON LEAGUE		CUP		TOTAL			LTCF CAREER TOTAL		
	Apps	Goals	Apps	Goals	Apps	Goals	Yel	Red	Apps	Goals
Ed ASAFU-ADJAYE	5(0)	0	0(1)	0	5(1)	0	0	0	37	0
Steve BASHAM	1(5)	0	0(0)	0	1(5)	0	0	0	6	0
George BEAVAN	0(0)	0	0(0)	0	0(0)	0	0	0	9	0
Shane BLACKETT	5(5)	0	1(0)	1	6(5)	1	0	1	11	1
Andy BURGESS	6(0)	0	1(0)	0	7(0)	0	0	0	7	0
Ryan CHARLES	0(6)	1	1(0)	0	1(6)	1	0	0	27	4
Tom CRADDOCK	15(2)	5	0(0)	0	15(2)	5	2	0	47	17
George DONNELLY	0(4)	0	0(0)	0	0(4)	0	0	0	4	0
Lewis EMANUEL	1(0)	0	0(0)	0	1(0)	0	0	0	86	5
Kevin GALLEN	12(0)	4	1(0)	0	13(0)	4	2	0	42	7
Claude GNAKPA	7(5)	0	0(1)	0	7(6)	0	3	0	51	3
Asa HALL	13(2)	3	1(0)	1	14(2)	4	2	0	67	14
Liam Hatch	3(1)	0	0(0)	0	3(1)	0	2	1	4	0
Jake HOWELLS	5(5)	1	1(0)	0	6(5)	1	0	0	40	1
Ross JARVIS	13(2)	1	0(0)	0	13(2)	1	2	1	61	4
Keith KEANE	9(0)	0	0(0)	0	9(0)	0	1	0	163	4
Freddie MURRAY	12(2)	0	0(0)	0	12(2)	0	4	0	14	0
Taylor NATHANIEL	0(0)	0	0(1)	0	0(1)	0	0	0	1	0
Adam NEWTON	14(0)	2	1(0)	0	15(0)	2	0	0	15	2
Kevin NICHOLLS	10(0)	0	0(0)	0	10(0)	0	1	1	221	33
Jordan PATRICK	0(0)	0	0(0)	0	0(0)	0	0	0	2	0
George PILKINGTON	17(0)	4	1(0)	0	18(0)	4	2	0	40	4
Callum REYNOLDS	4(2)	0	1(0)	0	5(2)	0	1	1	7	0
Mark TYLER	17(0)	0	1(0)	0	18(0)	0	0	0	40	0
Alan WHITE	14(0)	0	1(0)	0	15(0)	0	2	0	107	3
Ben WRIGHT	4(1)	1	0(0)	0	4(1)	1	0	0	5	1

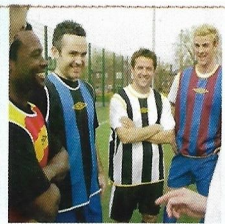
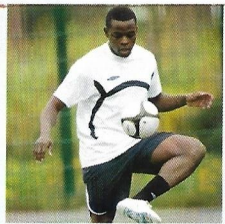
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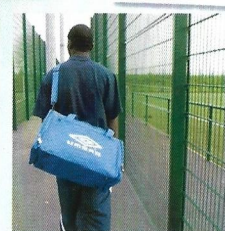
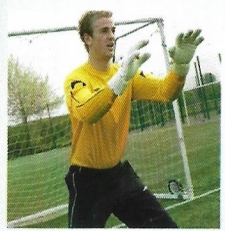
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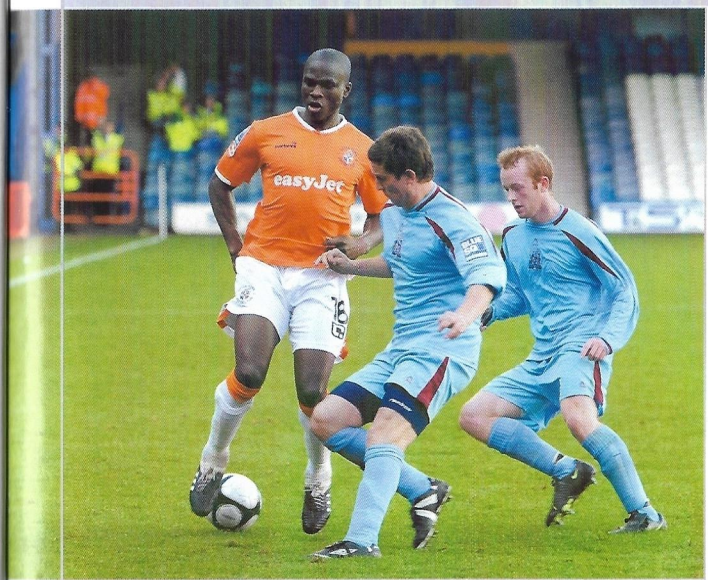
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CLAUDE GNAKPA TAKES ON TWO GRAYS DEFENDERS.

The Hatters got their name in the hat for the FA Cup first round draw with a comfortable victory over Grays Athletic at Kenilworth Road.

It was the first time in 90 years that the Town had to play a qualifying match to enter at the First Round stage and Alan Neilson's men made light work of their Blue Square Premier rivals.

The Hatters had already signalled their early intent with several warning shots in the opening stages before defender Shane Blackett put them in front on 10 minutes.

Super play down the left-flank involving the returning Andy Burgess and Jake Howells led to the Hatters winning a corner. Grays failed to clear the danger from the resulting dead ball and George Pilkington's speculative effort was only parried by goalkeeper Preston Edwards straight into the path of Blackett, who couldn't miss from five-yards.

Although the Town were dominating Grays, were certainly in no mood to roll over and visiting striker Jamie Slabber

twice came close to levelling things up.

However, as the Hatters re-established their dominance they could and perhaps should have gone 2-0 up with Kevin Gallen guilty of missing two good chances.

The Town did double their lead seven minutes before the break when Ryan Charles' right-wing cross was turned into his own net by the visitors' makeshift centre-half Petar Rnkovic with Gallen lurking for what would have been a simple tap-in.

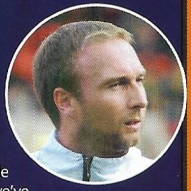
Neilson's men took their foot of the gas in the second period and with Town comfortably in command Edwards in the Grays goal wasn't as busy as he was in the first.

But with holes appearing in the visitors' defence as they looked for a goal to get them back into proceedings. Hall - who had earlier seen a goal ruled out for offside and seen a curling shot hit a post - got his second goal in five days when he fired low past Edwards from 20-yards, nine minutes from time.

**POST-MATCH REACTION**

**KEVIN WATSON**

"We're absolutely delighted. We were always going to make changes regardless of who was available but in the end we've been forced into making them."



"We had three young lads on the bench and couldn't even name a seventh substitute."

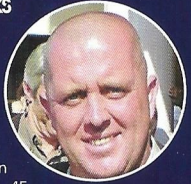
"The lads that have come in have done really well. Shane Blackett, Kevin Gallen and Andy Burgess have been brilliant."

"Burge was a bit tired towards the end and his fitness will get better with games."

"Kev Gallen was outstanding. He got tired but he rarely gave the ball away and Shane has come in, scored a goal and looked strong and quick."

**JULIAN DICKS**

"It was backs to the wall in the first half and like at Wrexham last week we were non-existent in the opening 45 minutes."



"We should be playing for the full 90 minutes not 45."

"In the second period I thought we were the better team only because we worked hard and got stuck in and were competitive."

"I told the players exactly what I thought of them at half-time and there weren't many players out there that gave me the 110 per cent I asked for when I took over."



LUTON TOWN 3

Blackett 10, Rnkovic (og) 38, Hall 81.



GRAYS ATH 0



SATURDAY 24TH OCTOBER 2009 KENILWORTH ROAD

Luton Town: Tyler, Reynolds, White (Asafu-Adjaye 61), Pilkington, Blackett, Hall, Howells, Burgess (Nathaniel 79), Newton (Gnakpa 60), Gallen, Charles.

Subs not used: Gore, Nathaniel, Barker.

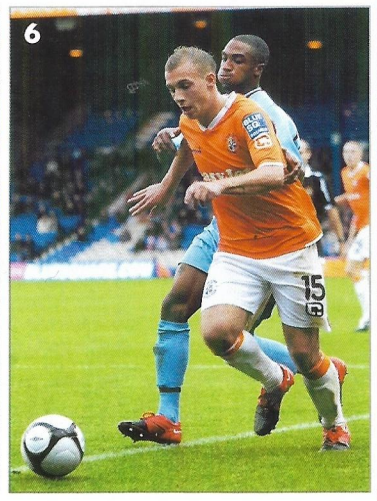
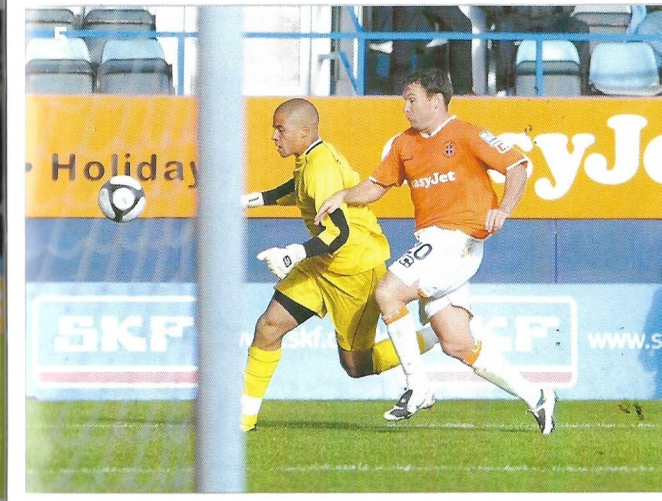
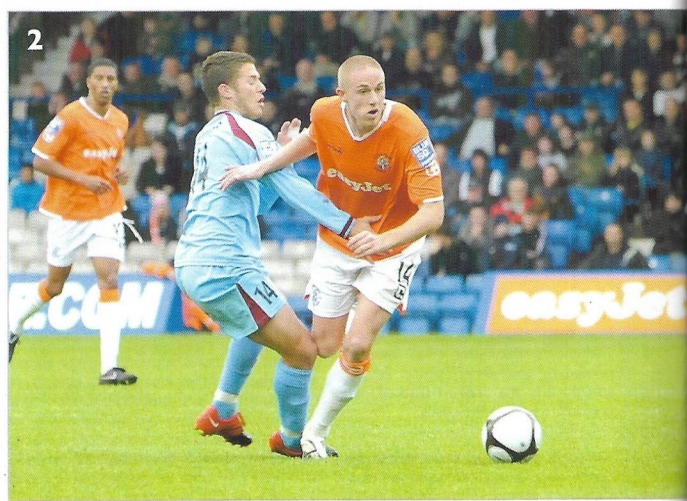
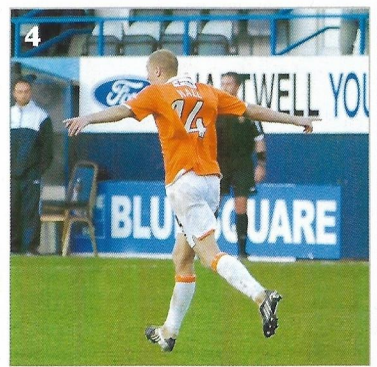
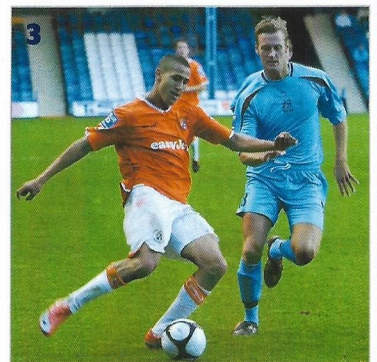
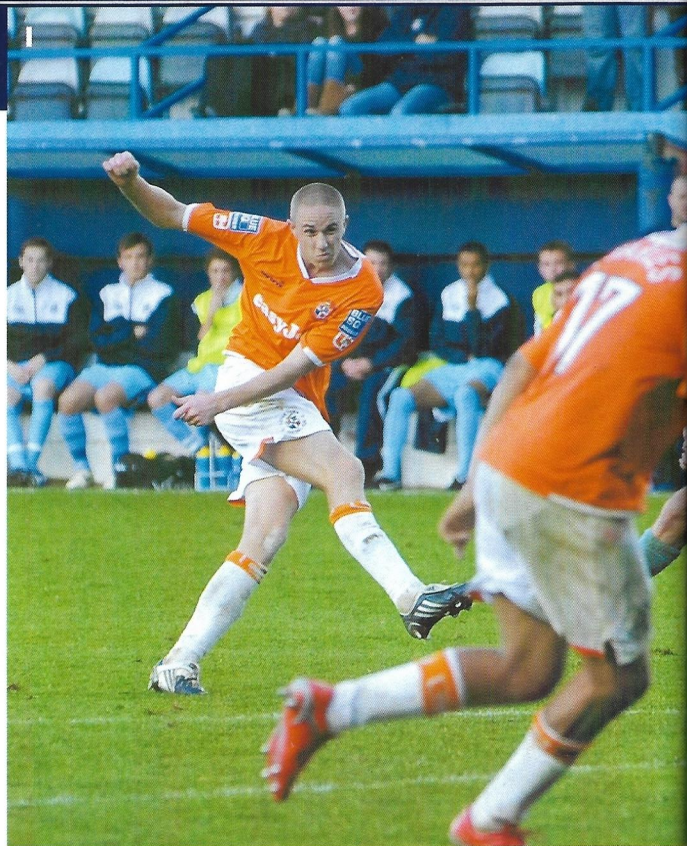
Grays Athletic: Edwards, Hoyte (Crowther 46), Charge, Slabber, Graham, Cutler (Robson 46), Davis, Braham-Barrett (Pendergast 74), Poole, Rnkovic, Bunce.

Subs not used: Taylor, Harvey, Lashy, Agumbar.

Referee: S. Long.

Attendance: 2,721

Possession



LUTON TOWN FOOTBALL CLUB MAN OF THE MATCH

Jake Howells

The young left back put in a superb performance to be awarded the sponsors' man-of-the-match. He terrorised the Grays' defence with his attacking raids from defence and linked-up play well with Andy Burgess.

- 1 Asa Hall fires home his third goal in five matches to make it 3-0.
- 2 Hall looks to start another attacking move.
- 3 Ryan Charles swings in a cross from the right flank.
- 4 Hall celebrates his goal.
- 5 Kevin Gallen challenges Grays goalkeeper Preston Edwards for the ball.
- 6 Man-of-the-match Jake Howells bursts past his marker.

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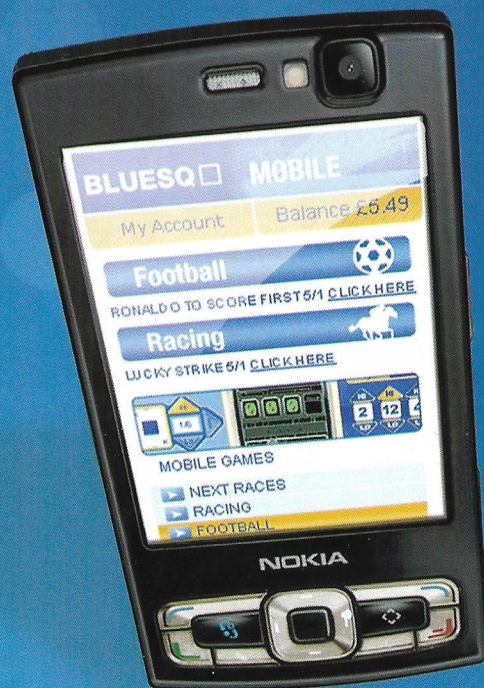


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## GALLEN: IT'S GOOD TO BE BACK

STRIKER DELIGHTED TO BE BACK ON THE PITCH AFTER HIS INJURY LAY-OFF

If there was anything that took the edge off the Hatters' thrilling 4-3 victory at Cambridge at the end of September, it was the injury sustained by Kevin Gallen in the final 10 minutes of the tantalising game that ruled him out for most of October.

Initially expecting to spend five to six weeks on the sidelines, the former QPR man was in a position to return a couple of weeks ahead of schedule to face Grays last weekend, although he wasn't able to continue where he left off in front of goal against the Us.

Having netted twice in that match to swing the game back in the favour of the Hatters, he found his luck had deserted him in the FA Cup tie when he was presented with opportunities to open the scoring, prior to Shane Blackett breaking the deadlock.

He explained: "A good start took the

pressure off me, I should have scored with a header so I was disappointed with that.

"I was a little bit rusty and I got a bit tired towards the end but I was delighted to stay on for the full 90 minutes, I want to keep that going for the next few weeks, stay fit and be there to get picked for the XI by the manager.

"I hate getting injured and having nothing to do on a Saturday; that's not for me. Summer holidays are for relaxing, not in October."

With well over 500 appearances to his name with Rangers, Huddersfield, Barnsley, Plymouth, MK Dons and Luton, Gallen found himself appearing in the qualifying rounds of the world's oldest cup competition for the first time in his 18 year playing career.

And it was an experience he readily

admits he struggled to get his head around.

He said: "It was a bit weird. It felt almost like a pre-season friendly, even though they in the same league as us. The way we performed in the first half it looked like that as well. I think anyone would agree with that.

"They had to up there game after half-time, I suppose they got a rollicking from their manager and whilst they didn't really create many chances, they made it more difficult for us.

"If it was a league game we'd be delighted with the three points. We've got a bit of a derby game coming up against Rushden & Diamonds, so hopefully we can carry on that form on Saturday and get three points. We have a lot to play for and everyone's really excited about it."



# COMMERCIAL BREAK

DAVID HOSKINS BRINGS YOU THE LATEST COMMERCIAL NEWS

Welcome back to Kenilworth Road for our third consecutive home game in what constitutes a local derby.

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When the fixtures were released at the start of the July there were a number of high-profile games that we soon realised would generate a lot of interest.

Together with our first home game of the season against Mansfield and our home matches with Stevenage and Oxford, today's fixture was high on the list from a commercial point of view to generate income.

It gives me great pleasure to welcome therefore our match sponsors Form It, match ball sponsors sixonetwo and our commercial mascot Tommy Southey this afternoon.

With activity on and off the pitch at the moment putting the club in the spotlight we have been inundated with supporters and companies interested in becoming sponsors, guests and partners of this fine football club.

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We don't have long to wait for our next home match which takes place next week against Rochdale in the FA Cup.

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His favourite player is goalkeeper Mark Tyler and his hobbies include playing football for his school and for Symonds Green and cricket.

Tommy will go on a guided tour of the ground and get to meet all the players in the changing room before the game and then lead the team out onto the pitch.

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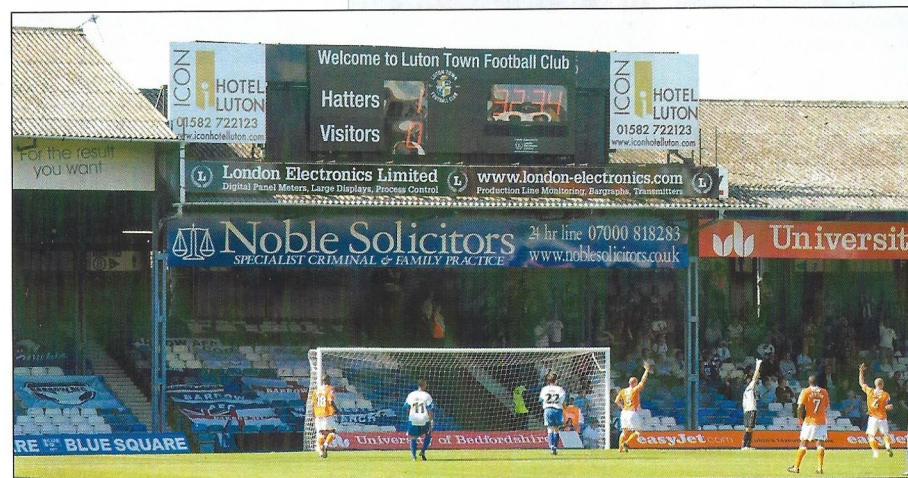
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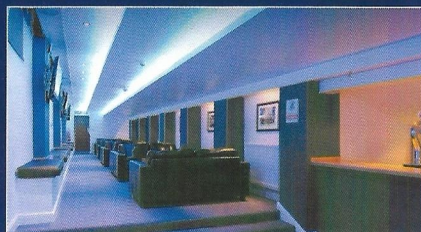
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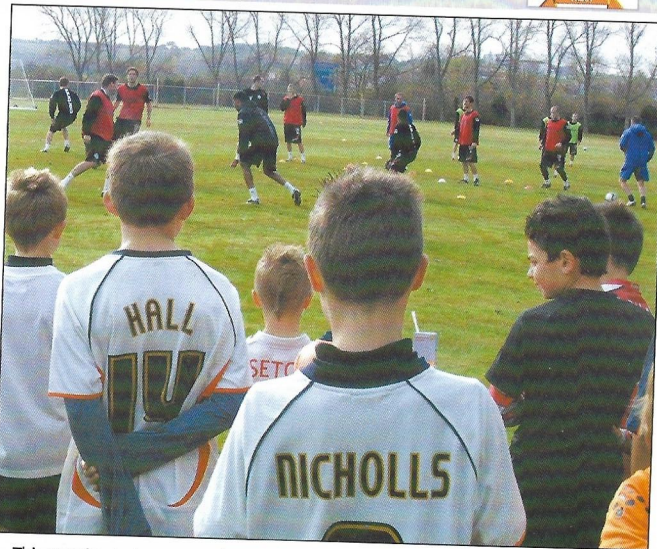
Please note that the 8 seater + boxes, still only hold 8 people, however they are situated on / near the half way line. For large parties, we have an 18-seater box. This price may vary depending on the package that you would like.

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# LUTON TOWN COMMUNITY TRUST

ANDY DUCAT ROUNDS-UP THE LATEST COMMUNITY NEWS



The Community Department has teamed up with Active Luton and the Active Golf Centre at Stockwood Park to run a golf tournament on Monday 16th November to raise funds to assist the department deliver school based programmes.

A big thank you goes out to the Football Club and Active Luton for helping out with the many great prizes that will be on offer.

To enter a team of four it will cost you £110, which includes a round of golf, breakfast and a buffet lunch.

Registration is at 8.30am, with a shotgun start planned an hour later. A buffet lunch and prize giving will follow at 3.00pm.

Other competitions, such as closest to the pin and longest drive will also be on offer, as well as a silent auction for Luton Town memorabilia.

This promises to be a great day out with the chances to win some wonderful Luton Town prizes. We only have spaces for 20 teams so if you are interested you need to contact Trish Johnston at the

Community office on 01582 391927 as soon as possible to reserve your spot.

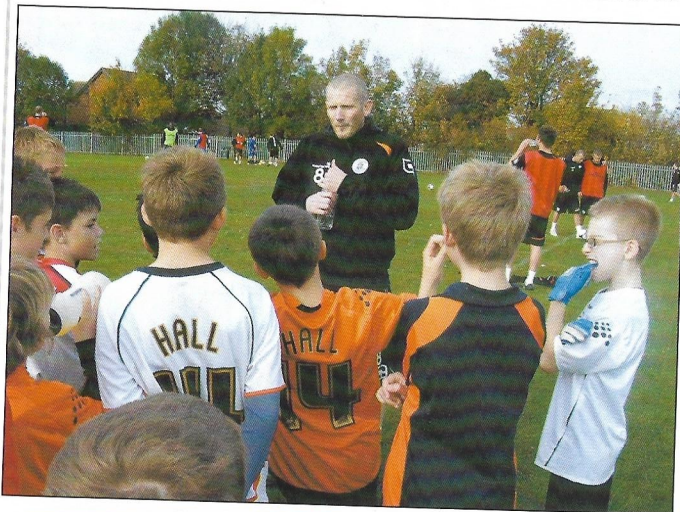
This past week has certainly been a busy one in the Community Department. Stuart English has been organising two sets of fixtures with the performance teams.

Last weekend the performance squads took on their counter-parts in the Centre of Excellence. Then on Thursday and Friday, the teams travelled north to take on Cambridge and Southend in a double header.

Kieran Fox has been based at the Ely Way classroom this week delivering a football and ICT programme for the first three days of the break.

On Thursday he delivered a special one-day 'train with the pros' course which has proven to be a huge success.

A big thank you goes out to Alan Neilson and the players for helping to make the day one to remember for the many Junior Hatters who came along on Thursday.



# GIRLS CENTRE OF EXCELLENCE

WITH KIERAN FOX

The coaches involved with the Luton Town Girls' Centre of Excellence recently got to polish up their coaching techniques at Colchester United with Tessa Payne and Pete Travivan.

Tessa and Pete are the Regional Coach Development Managers for the East of England and are responsible for ensuring that a high standard of coaching is maintained within the region.

The day focused on the development of junior football in the professional game with the overall aim of the day to provide Luton Town coaches with the opportunity to improve their knowledge and confidence in a range of key issues around developing and understanding practice.

The day dealt with different types of practices, such as unopposed and opposed practical development, dealing with talented players and

issues with planning.

Overall, the day was very practical. Different types of practices were demonstrated and delivered by Tessa and Pete.

After the demonstrations, it was then the coaches turn to plan, deliver and evaluate their own practices.

Staff who were not delivering the session were expected to build on their evaluating and observation skills by providing feedback for the coaches.

All in all it was a valuable experience for all the coaches concerned.

On a personal note, myself and other members of staff from the Girls' Centre of Excellence would like to pass on their best wishes to Andy Elderton and his wife following the birth of their daughter on Monday.



GIRLS' CENTRE OF EXCELLENCE 2009-10



2009/10 CENTRE OF EXCELLENCE SPONSORS

Luton Town Girls' Centre of Excellence Fixtures 2009/10

August  
22 WATFORD A  
29 NORTHAMPTON TOWN H

September  
5 WATFORD A  
12 MILTON KEYNES A  
19 MANCHESTER UNITED A  
26 NORTHAMPTON TOWN H

October  
3 NORWICH CITY A  
10 ARSENAL H  
17 CAMBRIDGE A

November  
7 IPSWICH TOWN A  
14 LEYTON ORIENT A  
21 COLCHESTER H  
28 LEYTON ORIENT H

December  
5 GAME TO BE CONFIRMED H  
12 LIVERPOOL A

2010  
January  
9 GAME TO BE CONFIRMED H  
16 NORWICH CITY A  
23 CHARLTON ATHLETIC H  
30 WATFORD H

February  
6 MILTON KEYNES H  
13 NORTHAMPTON TOWN A  
27 NORWICH CITY H

March  
6 ARSENAL A  
13 CAMBRIDGE H  
20 GAME TO BE CONFIRMED A  
27 COLCHESTER A

April  
10 IPSWICH TOWN H  
17 COLCHESTER A  
24 READING H

May  
1 GAME TO BE CONFIRMED A  
8 GAME TO BE CONFIRMED H  
15/16 LUTON NATIONAL COE FESTIVAL H

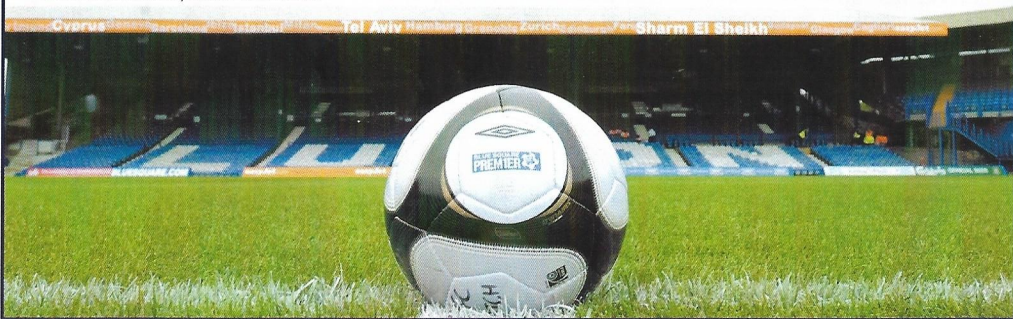


# LOYALTY LIST ROLL OF HONOUR



Despite a decrease in the cost of season tickets for this season, the following season ticket holders have kindly decided to pay last season's prices. We salute you!

T. Neale, James Armstrong, Keith Mayhew, Russell Farnhill, Andy Smith, Shirley Hobbs, Jacqueline Russell, Patricia Pipkin, Ian Corkett, Michael O Hara, Richard Buckingham, Craig Stichbury, Peter Little, James Little, Sam Watt, Phil Wash, Stephen Bailey, Andrew Wallace, Richard Tilley, Robert Eley, David Maynard, Jeff Carter, Michael Aukett, Andrew Turner, David Smeaton, Jacqueline Peacock, Graham Bell, Steven Moore, Marj Allsop, Sarah Delaney, Andrew Delaney, Andrew King, Valerie Marsh, John Earls, Graham Andrews, Craig Andrews, Martin Trainer, Julie Parry, Steve Oliver, David Carter, Graham Gaylor, Stephen Howe, Robin Platten, Mick Hall, Brian Webb, Melvyn Bass, Wendy Dilley, Mark Dilley, Sean Devlin, Connor Devlin, Steven Manfredi, Paul Manfredi, Paul Winston, Roderick Jones, Richard Robinson, E. Parish, John Parish, Mark Day, David Cockfield, Martin Henry, David Hyde, Roy Platten, Lorraine Catling, Julian Goodman, Nicholas Ellingham, Matthew Hall, Ian Baldwin, David Jones, Robin Parsons, Ben Terret, Andrew Lewis, Andy Smith, Edward Kent, Mark Bradbury, Philip Rolt, Terence Worrell, David Albone, Peter Norris, Steven Eade, Chris Browne, Jane Long, Neil Rose, Peter Wright, James Farnbrough, A. Lovell, Tonino Ciuffini, Roger Davies, Paul Ashby, Lawrence Foord, John Browning, Ronald Ledwich, Roger Davies, T. Kingston, Victor Brunt, Kevin Lennon, Glenn Hearn, Nigel Brown, Matthew Phillips, Geoffrey Chapman, Chris Oddy, Dave Wright, Peter Eyre, Damon Read, Mark George, Peter Strobe, Zoe Ayres, Nigel Squires, Pamela Lavery, Benjamin Woodley, Richard Gray, Richard Ogden, Dipac Patel, Robert Atkinson, Paul Catling, Ian Beeson, Brian Garrett, J. Sanders, Mark Ashworth, Dennis Ecott, Russell Kitley, Adrian Rees, John Lawrence, William Larman, Cyril Brinklow, Cathleen Stevens, Tommy Lennon, Samuel Taylor, Louis Taylor, Chris Bailey, Zak Tilley, Joseph Kitley, Robert Kitley, Simon Gatward, Jack Gatward.



## GOLDEN GAMBLE

The winner of the golden gamble at our last home match against Grays Athletic walked away with £305.

Town fan Ray Foster of Dunstable was the lucky winner after his ticket - number 012755 - was plucked out of the barrel by six-year-old Maisie.

The draw takes place at every home match at Kenilworth Road. Tickets only cost a £1 with half of the proceeds benefitting the club.

## 10 BSP SIDES BIT THE DUST

BUT 14 SIDES MAKE IT THROUGH TO THE FIRST ROUND PROPER.



SHANE BLACKETT IS CONGRATULATED FOLLOWING HIS GOAL IN THE 3-0 FA CUP WIN OVER GRAYS ATHLETIC

Ten sides in the Blue Square Premier bit the dust as their participation in the FA Cup ended at the fourth qualifying round stage.

Four all-Conference ties meant that a quartet of sides would be guaranteed to fall by the wayside.

That fate meant Crawley, Chester, Altrincham and Grays are now left with free a Saturday a week today following defeats to AFC Wimbledon, Barrow, Altrincham and the Hatters respectively.

There were six BSP sides that were knocked out of the competition with defeats to sides below them in the pyramid.

The biggest shock of the round was Ryman Premier League Tooting & Mitcham United's pulsating 4-3 extra-time win over Eastbourne Borough in a replay following a 3-3 draw at Priory Lane.

Three sides from Blue Square North edged out top division opposition with Fleetwood Town overcoming Kidderminster Harriers after a replay while there were home victories for Hinckley United over Histon and

Ilkeston Town who beat Tamworth. There was also joy for sides from the Blue Square South as Staines Town and Bromley eliminated struggling Hayes & Yeading and Ebbsfleet United with 1-0 and 3-0 wins respectively.

Conference leaders Oxford needed two goals in the second half in their tie against Blue Square South side Thurrock at the Kassam Stadium while second place Kettering Town needed a replay to get past Redditch United.

Fellow promotion chasers Stevenage Borough needed a last-gasp Peter Vincenti goal to earn their place in the hat for the first round proper as Graham Westley's side came from a goal down to beat Chelmsford City.

Another late goal earned Dean Saunders' Wrexham their place in the next round with a Wes Baynes strike at Unibond League Division One North side FC Halifax Town at the Shay.

Other Blue Square Premier sides that made it through against lower league opposition included Salisbury City who got past Farnborough after

a replay with a 4-2 victory at the Raymond McEnhill Stadium that included a hat-trick from striker Matt Tubbs.

Cambridge United came from a goal behind to see off Unibond League Division One South side Lincoln United 3-1 at Ashby Avenue.

Gateshead beat Southport at the International Stadium with a comfortable 3-0 win while the Tynesiders' fellow BSP relegation rivals Forest Green earned a 2-1 victory at Mangotsfield United.

Today's visitors Rushden & Diamonds came back from their long journey to Workington with a 3-0 victory while York - our last visitors in the league at Kenilworth Road - eased by Bedworth United at KitKat Crescent.

Three sides from the division were rewarded with ties against League 1 opposition.

Oxford host Yeovil, Gateshead welcome last season's League 2 champions Brentford while Kettering make the long journey to Hartlepool.



After netting the opening goal against Grays, Shane Blackett is hoping the victory will be the start of a long run in the FA Cup for the club and, personally, he's hoping he can crack on with cementing himself in the first team.

The left-footed defender opened his Hatters' account in the 10th minute of the match last weekend after finding himself in the right place at the right time to turn home George Pilkington's parried effort.

The pair picked to keep goals out at the other end, have both found themselves in positions already this campaign where they are as much of a threat in the opposition's penalty area as any other player in Luton colours, But the local lad was keen to play down the goal, for a few seconds at least.

He said: "It was a simple tap-in; I just played it well and got something on the end of it. I'm back now and getting the goal was delightful.

"It was a great time to score. It has always been a boyhood dream of mine to score at Kenilworth Road, so I'm delighted about that, no matter how it went it.

"I had a lot of support in the crowd, all of the family were there, as were some friends and it was nice to score in front of them; hopefully it's the first of many, I want to get some more under my belt this season to help us push on.

"I'm pleased to get back in the team because I've had a bout of flu lately which forced me out of the squad."

Games, just as goals, are something the

defender admits he'll readily take, having appeared as many times from the bench as he started since his summer move from Peterborough United.

With plenty of defenders at Town's disposal, forcing your way into, and staying, in the team is a challenge so having the advantage of being flexible enough to fill two of available positions is something he hopes will strengthen his cause of becoming a regular in the side.

"I've been used quite a lot at left-back this year," he says.

"I believe my best position is centre-half because I feel more comfortable there but I'm happy to do the job for the team as a left-back after all it's a team game at the end of the day.

"Half-way through the second half I felt a bit leggy but we had a good cushion by then and I managed to finish the 90 minutes and felt good. I just want to build up now for next week, and get another 90 minutes.

"I wanted to stay on, I always want to stay on because you never know it could be your last time on the football pitch. The legs felt a bit ady but you get through it mentally. I suffered a bit that night but it's fine. It's all worth it."

The Town's win last week earned them the opportunity to once again pit their wits against Football League opposition when Rochdale come to Kenilworth Road next Saturday in the first round proper and Blackett was pleased to

come off the pitch on the back of a job well done.

He added: "I think it could've been more comfortable. In the first half we had a lot of good chances but the lads played well and at the end of the day, we turned in a professional performance.

"In the second half I don't think they had many chances, they might've had two or three opportunities but we created a lot more than them, and could have scored five or six.

"Whenever a team goes a couple of goals up it always looks like they take the foot off the gas but we like to keep going, get the goals and give the young lads confidence. Taylor Nathaniel came in and did really well on left-wing, Ryan Charles is improving every day in training; he's going to be a real handful.

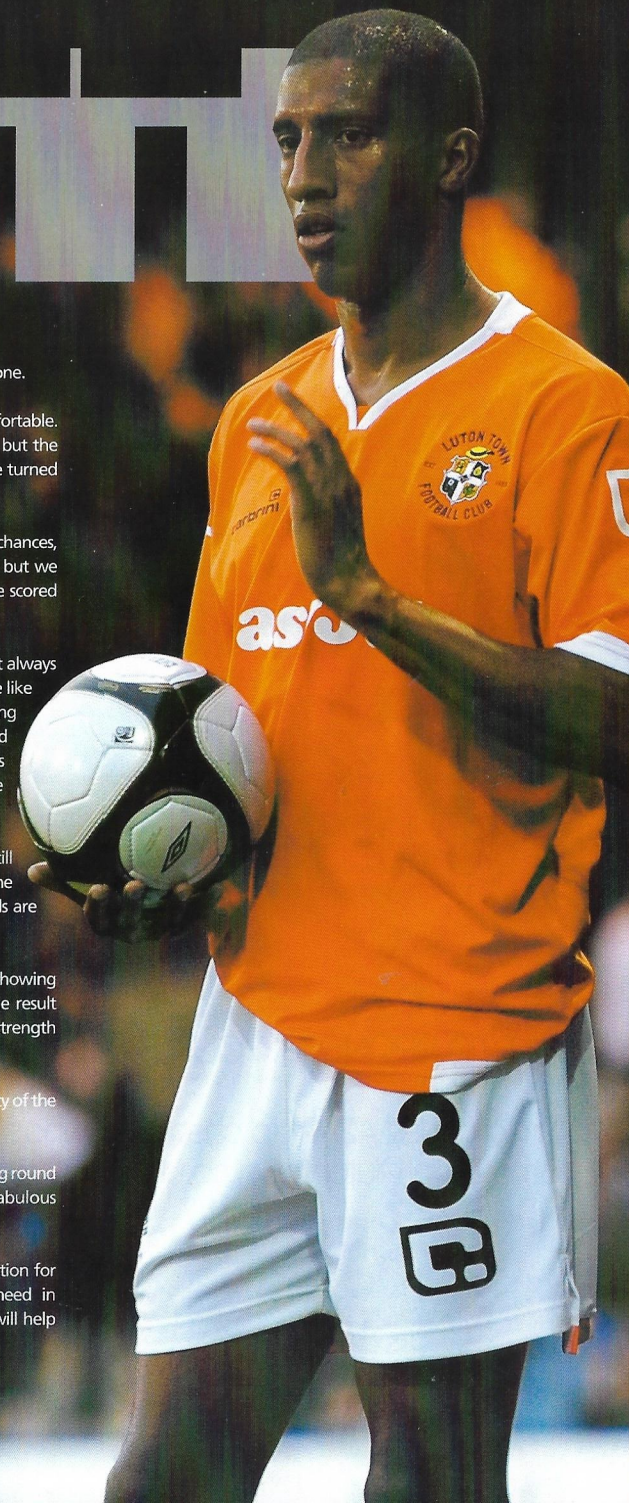
"That's four wins out of five now, we're still unbeaten. You can see how we're playing on the pitch, we're getting the ball down and the lads are clicking really well so long may it continue.

With the Hatters side against Julian Dicks' side showing five changes following the draw with York the result against the Blues side further highlighted the strength in-depth at the club.

"The cup win has shown the strength and quality of the squad that we've got.

"We've got illness, injuries and suspensions going round and we're still putting in the same fabulous performance.

"When the lads come back there'll be competition for places but that's healthy, that's what you need in football – healthy competition – that is what will help to push us up the league.





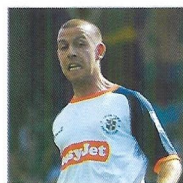
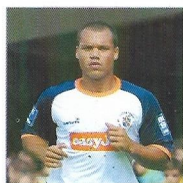
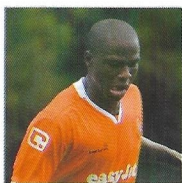


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## CLUB PARTNERSHIP SCHEME

THIS AFTERNOON WE WELCOME A PARTNERSHIP CLUB FROM DUNSTABLE'S ICKNIELD LOWER SCHOOL TO KENILWORTH ROAD.



The Club have already taken full advantage of the partnership link and had two training sessions taken by Technical Development Coach Dan Walder to help with their ongoing coach education.

They are here en-mass today and we wish them a pleasant afternoon.

If you would like further details about the Club Partnership Scheme, please contact Dan Walder at [dan.ltfc@live.com](mailto:dan.ltfc@live.com) or on 07931 424912.

We would also like to take this opportunity to introduce and welcome the Luton Town Under 14 squad.

Arel Amu – A quick, powerful striker from Luton.

Bradley Johnson – A talented left-back from Luton.

Cameron Ball – An intelligent, skilful midfielder from Stevenage.

Chisom Amadi – A strong, quick centre-forward from Bedford.

Devante Stanley – A technically gifted attacking midfielder from Kempston.

Elyas Omar – A hard working, skilful midfielder from Milton Keynes.

Ian Rees – A talented passer in the centre of midfield from Knebworth.

Jamie Morell – A centre back from Stevenage who is very comfortable in possession.

Jimmy Hartley – A gifted right back from Flamstead.

Joel Khalili – A skilful left-back from Welwyn.

Josh Terry – A talented central midfielder from Stevenage.

Khalid Bekhtaoui – A natural finisher from Borehamwood.  
Leeroy Magurause – A skilful left-

footed midfielder from Milton Keynes.

Lucas Kirkpatrick – A versatile talented footballer from Luton.

Tarum Dawkins – A quick, skilful striker from Kilburn.

Thomas Caldon – An agile goalkeeper from Luton.

Tinashe Chabata – A quick, strong central defender from Aylesbury.

Zane Banton – A skilful, intelligent striker from Stevenage.



OFFICIAL MATCHDAY PROGRAMME



# THE BIGGER PICTURE

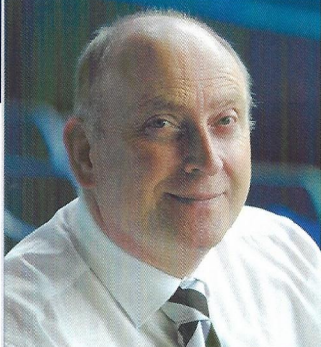
MAN-OF-THE-MATCH JAKE HOWELLS PLOUGHS HIS WAY THROUGH THE GRAYS DEFENCE DURING LAST SATURDAY'S FA CUP TIE





## DAYS PAST

31ST OCTOBER 1953 . BRISTOL ROVERS 3 - 3 LUTON TOWN



At last Luton Manager Dally Duncan was seeing his plans come to fruition.

His team of youth and experience had finally come good, after a couple of seasons of dicing with relegation, and had finished third in the old Division Two in 1952/53 in the days when only the top two sides were promoted.

In an attempt to go one better the Club's board decided to loosen the purse strings and paid out £9,500 on free-scoring Johnny Downie from Manchester United and £12,000 to Everton for scheming inside-forward George Cummins.



GOALSCORING WINGER BERT MITCHELL.

This was an astounding amount of money for the Hatters to pay out at the time.

The Town started off the new season without three influential players – all injured.

Skipper Syd Owen, leading goalscorer Jesse Pye and goalscoring winger Bert Mitchell would all be sorely missed as the campaign got off to a slow start.

Downie, however, became an instant hero, bagging a hat-trick in the opening game at home to newly promoted Oldham, but only a point gained in a 4-4 draw was a major disappointment.

It was not until the sixth game of the campaign that the Hatters first tasted victory but a 2-0 home win over Swansea was followed by defeats at Birmingham and Rotherham in quick succession.

The low point in the season came in early October when Fulham won 2-1 at



THE INCOMPARABLE JESSE PYE.

Kenilworth Road leaving the Town only two points off a relegation spot.

Although under no obligation, it was accepted at the time that if a player was called-up for international duty he would be released.

The Hatters had readily released full-back pairing Seamus Dunne and Bud Aherne to play for the Republic of Ireland while Fulham had refused a similar request to let Robin Lawlver travel.

The Cottagers were quite within their rights but it caused a few mutterings of discontent at Kenilworth Road especially as two points were dropped!

The following midweek the Town became the 22nd League club to switch on floodlights, winning 7-4 in a friendly against Turkish side Fenerbahce and from then on the season appeared to turn for the better.

Three successive wins, at home to Hull and Lincoln and away at Notts County prefaced the Town's first trip to Bristol Rovers since 1937 and a confident Hatters team, which included the fit



THE TOWN LINE UP IN 1953. BACK ROW (LEFT TO RIGHT): MORTON, DUNNE, STRETEN, JONES, WATKINS. FRONT ROW (LEFT TO RIGHT): TURNER, CUMMINS, OWEN, PYE, DOWNIE, MITCHELL.

again Pye and Mitchell, looked to continue their rise up the table.

Unfortunately, Owen had suffered a fractured little toe in the previous game and so his place at centre-half went to Les Hall, making his first appearance since the opening day draw with Oldham.

On a wet day a crowd of 20,021 gathered on the Eastville terraces to see Pye, back to his best, threaten the Rovers goal with two fierce shots in the opening minutes and also appeal for penalty when he went headlong in the area after a tackle from Pirates centre-half Ray Warren.

Despite this early pressure it was the hosts who took the lead when their policy of using their wingers George Petherbridge and Jossie Watling bore fruit.

It was from a centre that centre-forward Geoff Bradford headed past Bernard Streten in the Luton goal on 23 minutes.

Not to be outdone, the Town levelled four minutes later when Pye fired in a shot from an impossible angle which passed through the legs of Downie and beyond the unsuspected Pirates goalkeeper John Anderson for his first goal of the season.

The play continued end-to-end with Bradford forcing a miraculous save from Streten and Bob Morton going close just as the half-time whistle sounded.

The Hatters were quickest out of the blocks in the second period and it was Pye who put the away side ahead with a bullet header from a Mitchell cross after 55 minutes.

Confidence was now flowing through the side and it therefore came as a great shock when Rovers levelled on the hour with an unstoppable Bradford shot from the edge of the area which left Streten clutching at thin air.

The game was now becoming the

Bradford and Pye show with both players straining to hit hat-tricks on the greasy surface and it was the former who succeeded with 10 minutes left when he got the better of Hall to hammer the ball past Streten from close range.

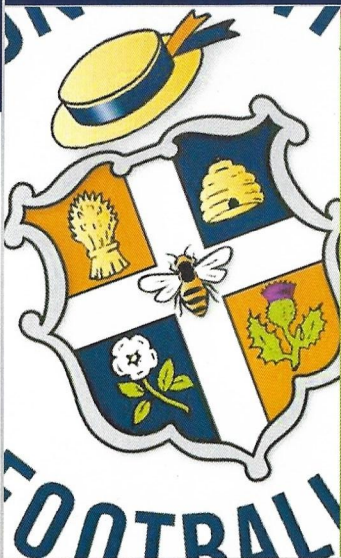
Never giving up, the Town continued to press and were rewarded with an equaliser in the 87th minute when Mitchell blasted home through a crowd of players.

Even then there were chances at both ends before the referee brought the breathless contest to a close.

Luton Town: Streten, Dunne, Aherne, Morton, Hall, Watkins, Davies, Downie, Pye, Cummins, Mitchell.

Bristol Rovers: Anderson, Bamford, Watkins, Pitt, Warren, Sampson, Petherbridge, Leonard, Bradford, Bush, Watling.





## STEPHEN BROWNIE

It has been a very busy week again at Luton Town as we finalise the new management line-up for the first team. Most of you will know by now that we named Richard Money as the new manager and also Gary Brabin as Chief Scout. Alan Neilsen is confirmed as assistant manager and Kevin Watson will be first team coach.

Our process has been detailed and thorough so that we ensured the right candidate was chosen – someone who will take the team forward and be part of the long-term plan at the club. It has been well reported that the list of candidates was large and the final shortlist was impressive. This proves that this football club is held in high esteem by many people in the game and that we are rebuilding our reputation.

Since we became custodians of the club we have done our very best to promote Luton Town in the best possible light and repair our reputation that has been damaged over recent years. By this I do not only mean in the local community, but also in the wider world of football. The appointments of Richard and Gary go to show that we can attract excellent talent and we have the ambition required to achieve success.

Everyone on the board knows that the process has been longer than many fans would like, but we must reiterate that the appointment of manager is one of the most important at the club, and we feel it was completely right to take the time needed and use it wisely.

Therefore we decided from the outset that we would be professional and considered in the process we used. Bearing in mind that we would never go behind a manager's back and therefore there was no-one lined up when we parted company with Mick, to have a caretaker manager in for just five games is not an unusual occurrence in football.

And what a caretaker manager we had! 10 points out of 12 in the league and successful navigation into the first round of the FA Cup were excellent achievements. This level of performance, guided by Alan, allowed us to ensure that we could follow the recruitment process we had laid down and not succumb to any possibility of a knee-jerk reaction. It has been said before, but thank you to Alan and his staff for their complete support and excellent management during this difficult period.

So firstly, on behalf of everyone at 2020, we welcome Richard Money back to Kenilworth Road. Yes, for our younger supporters he has been here before as a player in the '80s and helped us to win the First Division title – not long after he won a European Cup medal with Liverpool under Bob Paisley. Since then he has been at a number of top clubs as coach and Academy Director, and he also had very successful management spells at Walsall (promotion from League 2), AIK Stockholm (he led them into European competition), and Newcastle Jets (he took them to the Australian Grand Finals in his first season – the finals for the top four teams in the country). His undoubted experience, commitment to developing talent, undisputed ambition and knowledge of the game will be vital as we climb the leagues. We know that the first rung of this is to get back into the Football League and this is one of the hardest steps, so Richard is a vital part of achieving our targets. We wish Richard a long, successful and happy time at Kenilworth Road.

The good news this week does not stop there though. Hot on the heels of the announcement of Richard, we appointed Gary Brabin as Chief Scout. Gary took Cambridge United to the play-off finals last



season before parting company with the U's. He was named Conference Premier Manager of the Season last season too – a fantastic achievement. He knows this league inside out and he will be a great help to the management team as we chase that top spot. Gary will report into Richard and work alongside Alan and Kevin in our new management team.

So, now we start a new era. Supporters will recognise that we have invested in the team, the management and the back room facilities. We know that we have a long way to go but the confidence at the club is higher than at anytime since we became custodians. So please continue to show your support for the team, the new management and play that vital role of 12th man!

Enjoy the game

Stephen.

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## KENILWORTH ROAD SAFETY NOTICE

In the event of any emergency in the stadium, Luton Town Football Club and the emergency services have agreed on an evacuation procedure which is designed to ensure the safe and controlled evacuation of the crowd, and to ensure their safe dispersal from the area, to allow the emergency services to carry out their tasks.

In the event of an evacuation from all or part of the stadium, you will receive instructions over the public address system on how you should leave the stadium.

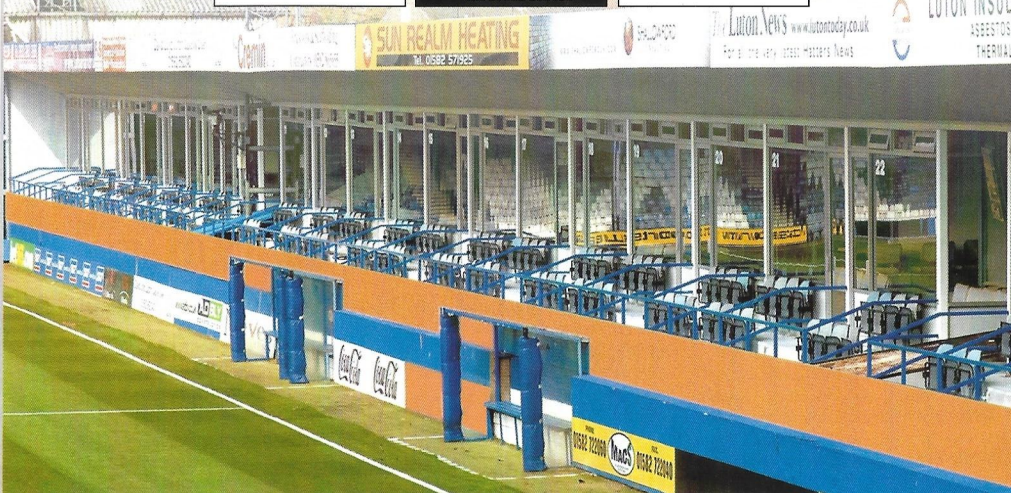
In an evacuation of the Main Stand you will be instructed to use the pitch. Stewards will direct you to your nearest exit. It may be that your normal exit route will not be available. On leaving the stadium you will find some roads closed to pedestrians, to enable swift and unobstructed access for the emergency services.

Please leave the area of the ground as quickly as possible, by the route directed.

Your co-operation will be most appreciated.

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## DRESS TO IMPRESS

THE NEW HATTERS KIT IS ON IT'S WAY!



The Hatters are offering supporters the chance to be first to get their hands on the new replica shirts by issuing a limited number of priority vouchers for when the first batch of kit arrives from Carbrini in November.

The vouchers are now available to purchase in the club shop in Kenilworth Road and online at [hattersshop.co.uk](http://hattersshop.co.uk) and will give those supporters priority on purchasing shirts for a week before the shirts go on general sale.

All supporters need to do is purchase the voucher and turn-up at the club shop and exchange it for the shirt of their choice (subject to size availability).

The Club currently anticipates that the first delivery of replica kit will arrive during the second week in November and will go on general sale one week after this date. Further deliveries of the replica kit will continue up until Christmas.

We will update supporters via [lutontown.co.uk](http://lutontown.co.uk), through the matchday programme and in the local press when we have exact delivery dates.

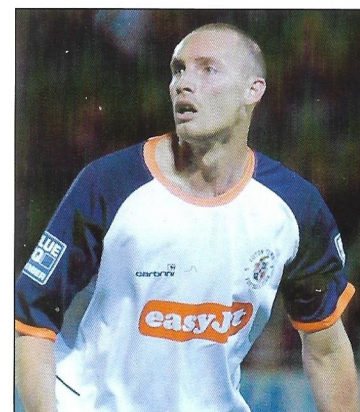
Adult shirts will be priced at £34.99 and junior sizes will cost £29.99.

Training wear, including tracksuits, polo shirts, sweat shirts and coats are now available to buy from the Club Shop.

Luton Town would again like to apologise for the inconvenience caused by the delay and appreciate supporters' patience while the Club deals with the issue.

For a full explanation for the hold-up please see the press release which was issued on 2nd October.

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## IN PROFILE

**Name:** Liam Toomey.

**Date of Birth:** 10/02/93.

**Place of Birth:** Luton.

**Position:** Striker.

**How long have you been with Luton Town?**  
Almost a year now.

**What is the strongest part of your game?**  
Scoring goals and my speed.

**What is the weakest part of your game and how do you intend on improving it?**  
Holding on to the ball when it is up front.

**What are your aims and ambitions for this season?**

To be in and around the first team.

**Where do you see yourself in 10 years time?**  
Playing football for a Premier League or Championship team.

**Who is your football idol?** Ronaldo.

**Which footballer do you model your game on?** Fernando Torres and Michael Owen.

**What have learned during your time at the club?** That training at a professional club is a lot harder than it is at a semi-pro one.

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## UNDER 18s UPDATE

WITH MARTIN PRICKETT



One of the biggest challenges when faced with a new group of players is trying to find out what makes them tick, how to motivate them, who you can trust to just get on with it and those who you need to keep on top of constantly.

Now I finally know my characters!

This is important as we try to build the future professionals of Luton Town, picking out the strengths in each player and trying to make them even better.

I believe in finding what players do well and base each development plan around that.

Of course weaknesses need to be worked upon so they are not found out in matches. After all I'm sure Paul Scholes hasn't spent a lot of his development time on defending one versus ones.

He has worked on finishing, movement, range of passing and has done just enough to get by on the defensive side of the game - and that is where we are heading.

To be a professional footballer you have to be exceptional at one of the following: stopping goals, creating goal or scoring goals. Therefore if we have a good defender at Under 17 level we need to make sure he is an exceptional defender but then be able to create as well.

Becoming a young professional is a learning process and I have had to learn about the players along the way

We have changed our playing shape three times to try and suit personnel, adapted to the way we play to be more expansive and expressive and challenged each other to give nothing less than their best each day.

It is a journey of hard work, dedication and sacrifice. You never hear a professional footballer talk about his youth team experience and say "it was all a bit easy", nor does Safina Dinara complain about her missed childhood, she is quite content being the number one female tennis player.

Our season up to now has been wrecked by injuries and results have not easy to

come by. While we have at times produced fantastic performances and beaten teams comfortably, we have failed to beat teams of similar quality to ourselves and we must learn together how to do that so we as a group get the league position we deserve.

Momentum is key in any sport and we must harness any small victories and any positives to spring ourselves forward, the players must continue to challenge themselves, prepare properly and give their all when at the club and I will continue to try to bring the best out of people so we can together build the future for this great club.

Finally my congratulations must go to Taylor Nathaniel who made his first team debut last weekend in the FA Cup.

He is living proof of what hard work and dedication can bring. He thoroughly deserved his debut and let's hope it is the start of a wonderful career.



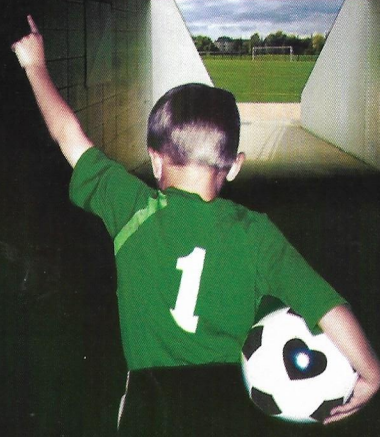
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## BLUESQUARE REVIEW

ALL THE VERY LATEST FROM AROUND THE BLUE SQUARE PREMIER



### FLEET COMPLETE DOUBLE SIGNING

Ebbsfleet United have completed the double capture of midfielder Clint Easton and defender Chris Riley.

Easton made 17 Premier League appearances for Norwich during the 1999/00 season and brings a wealth of experience to the Stonebridge Road outfit having served Watford, the Canaries, Wycombe, Gillingham and Hereford, whom he left this summer.

Riley, 21, meanwhile, was previously with Tottenham featuring regularly for Spurs' reserves.

The right-back has represented England at Under 16 level and was with the Glenn Hoddle Academy in Spain.



### OXFORD CHAIRMAN IN BULLISH MOOD

Oxford United Chairman Kelvin Thomas believes the Hatters' title rivals can stay the distance this season

and lift the Blue Square Premier title after a start that has seen the U's top the table.

With a six-point lead over second place Kettering after losing once this term at Mansfield, Thomas said: "We are doing something right if other teams are talking about us, and it may mean they are taking their eyes off their own teams.

"It's all about us; we just have to keep picking up results. Hopefully we can continue in the vein of form we are in and be ahead of schedule."

"To be honest the more other teams talk about us the better it is for us."



### CHESTER IN TROUBLE

Chester City have been given three more weeks to repay debts and avoid being thrown out of the Football Conference.

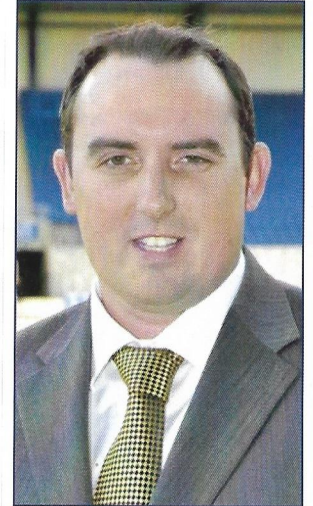
City's initial deadline to repay money owed to Wrexham and Vauxhall Motors was Monday afternoon, but that has been extended until 16th November.

A statement from the Conference read: "All parties are working together in an attempt to preserve the future of Chester City.

"The club has, however, been duly informed that unless it complies in full with the conditions of membership it agreed with the Football Conference, the competition will move to consider the club's expulsion."

The Deva Stadium outfit lie bottom of the Blue Square Premier table after suffering a 25-point deduction, at the start of the season.

City failed to pay Wrexham for away ticket sales and owe Vauxhall Motors for the loan of striker Paul Taylor who has since been banned after failing a drugs test.



KELVIN THOMAS

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1 Oxford Utd	17	7	1	0	22	3	5	3	1	13	8	24	40
2 Stevenage	17	5	4	0	17	5	4	3	1	10	6	16	34
3 Kettering	16	4	2	1	13	4	6	1	2	11	8	12	33
4 Mansfield	17	6	1	1	19	6	4	1	4	10	14	9	32
5 Luton	17	5	2	1	13	5	4	3	2	10	11	7	32
6 York	17	5	4	0	16	7	2	3	3	8	9	8	28
7 Kidderminster	17	6	0	3	14	8	2	3	3	9	9	6	27
8 AFC Wimbledon	16	2	3	3	11	6	5	2	1	17	10	12	26
9 Rushden & D	17	5	1	3	16	14	2	4	2	10	6	6	26
10 Cambridge Utd	17	4	1	3	19	7	2	5	2	11	12	11	24
11 Altrincham	17	2	4	3	8	9	4	2	2	10	7	2	24
12 Histon	17	4	3	2	15	10	3	0	5	10	14	1	24
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16 Wrexham	15	4	2	3	11	6	1	1	4	3	7	1	18
17 Salisbury	17	4	3	1	10	4	4	0	5	12	18	0	17
18 Eastbourne B	17	3	3	3	11	10	1	1	6	3	16	-12	16
19 Gateshead	16	2	2	4	7	9	1	1	6	10	18	-10	12
20 Hayes & Y	16	1	4	4	12	14	1	1	5	14	-11	11	
21 Grays Athletic	16	2	2	3	7	11	0	3	6	9	20	-15	11
22 Forest Green	17	1	3	4	6	12	1	2	6	8	24	-22	11
23 Ebbsfleet U	17	0	4	4	5	11	1	2	6	3	18	-21	9
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## TEAM OF THE DECADE

TOWN FAN MARTIN SMITH EXPLAINS HIS TEAM OF THE 1970'S



### ABOUT MARTIN:

I was first taken to see the Town play by my uncle in 1968 and have been going ever since.

These days I usually just go to most home games but over the years have seen the Hatters on over 100 grounds across the country.

I have chosen a team of the Seventies because, although the Eighties were more successful, I enjoyed watching the team and the players during this decade.

I would play a 4-3-3 formation and I hope this team bring back memories to all who follow the Town during this era.

### JAKE FINDLAY

A good, solid and courageous goalkeeper.

### KIRK STEPHIENS

Mainly for his winning goal at Watford in the last minute!

### STEVE BUCKLEY

A great full back with a fantastic shot.

### PAUL FUTCHER

A great defender in the Bobby Moore mould.

### CHRIS NICHOLL

A strong defender who I remember playing against us for Halifax and a day later we signed him.

### RICKY HILL

The best player I have ever seen in a Luton shirt. I remember his great debut.

### PETER ANDERSON

A great midfielder whose sale helped keep Luton afloat.

### LIL FUCILLO

A superb player with a great left foot shot.

### DAVID MOSS

A super supplier of goals who weighed in with them himself.

Was also a very reliable penalty taker.

### BRIAN STEIN

Brian could fit in any team of the Seventies or Eighties but I remember his early days where he was raw but under the guidance of Bob Hatton he turned into a prolific goalscorer and of course, was the match winner at Wembley.

### MALCOLM MACDONALD

Just fits in as we sold him in 1971 but he was my childhood hero with a fantastic shot.



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**Turn a light on this winter and keep the burglars OUT!**  
Don't score an own goal this winter by leaving your home insecure.

As Bedfordshire Police and 'Solutions', Luton's crime and disorder reduction partnership, unveil chilling plans to prevent winter burglaries make sure your home is off limits by locking your doors and leaving a light on.

The launch of Safer Homes coincides with the clocks going back and darker evenings drawing in. Bedfordshire Police is planning a series of intelligence-led overt and covert operations aimed at putting fear of crime back with the burglars and their handlers; but much can be done at home to keep burglars out.

- ✓ **If you have a UPVC door, double lock it by lifting the handle, turning the key and removing it.**
- ✓ **Ensure windows, including fanlights, are properly locked.**
- ✓ **Block side passages with a strong, locked, high gate. Check fences for weak spots.**
  - ✓ **Fit locks to the top and bottom of patio doors**
- ✓ **Secure sheds and garages with good quality locks; don't leave tools out and on view.**
- ✓ **Install a visible burglar alarm and use security lights.**
- ✓ **Never leave car keys, cash or documents on view.**
  - ✓ **Leave lights and the radio on when you go out.**
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  - ✓ **Security mark your property.**

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## NEW APPOINTMENTS

QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS

**Why have you chosen Richard?**

It was an excellent list of candidates and it was difficult to come to the final shortlist. Everyone that made that list could do the job and we thank all those that applied. However, we were looking for that bit 'extra' – a convincing combination of knowledge, experience, track record, commitment to developing talent, desire and energy. Richard ticked all the boxes, became our first choice and has all the attributes we were looking for. We are delighted we only had to make one offer and that offer was accepted by the only man we wanted.

**Why has the process taken so long?**

It is not unusual for a caretaker manager to be in place for half a dozen games, so it has not been long, in fact it's been under a month. We would never go behind a manager's back so when Mick left, we had no-one 'waiting in the wings'. Therefore the process we used was professional, detailed and considered, as you would expect from 2020 making a choice that is fundamental to the Club's future.

**Can you explain in detail the qualifications you were looking for?**

Well, there are many facets to the role of manager - from management and footballing style to experience and knowledge to ambition and personality. Even within these broad definitions there are a myriad of qualities we were looking for. Suffice to say, Richard did excellently throughout the process and therefore he came out top and was our first choice.

**How does Richard meet your criteria?**

His record speaks for itself. He's played and managed in Europe; he's taken Walsall to promotion and very nearly achieved back-to-back promotions; he's got an excellent reputation at Academy level; he managed in different leagues in different countries; he worked at top clubs under exceptional managers; he plays attractive football; and he has huge ambition and desire. He has excellent win ratios and we know he will develop and organise the team so we are really looking forward to working with Richard.

**Where does this decision fit into the 2020 mission statement?**

We are all about stability but with ambition, success, developing talent and improving the club. Richard fits perfectly within our 2020 Vision.

**Is there a future at the club for Alan Neilson and Kevin Watson?**

These guys have been a credit to the club and have supported us excellently over the past few weeks particularly. Alan has now been confirmed as permanent Assistant Manager – a job he thoroughly deserves after his excellent performances in a number of roles at the Club. Kevin will continue as coach so we expect no further changes to the management team.

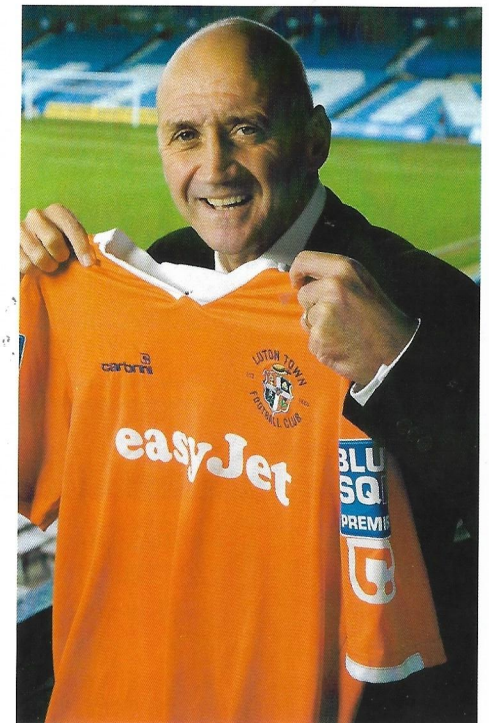
**So, what's Gary Brabin's role and why have you bought him in?**

Gary is currently the Conference Manager of the Year and he knows this division inside out. We now that getting out of the Conference is very hard due to the competition for just two promotion opportunities so Gary will help us to bounce straight back. Gary will be reporting on the opposition we will be facing, watching them play, helping with training programmes, advising Richard and Alan and being part of the team. He reports to Richard and he is up for the challenge – he lost out on promotion last year and has no intention of repeating that heartbreak this season!

**We have bought him in to give us the best possible chance of promotion. We have always shown commitment to the team and Gary's appointment will give us another advantage.**

**What targets have you set Richard?**

That's simple - promotion. Once he is settled in we will also look at player development, performances, league position etc. and he will become a full part of the 2020 team.







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Once again it's been a busy week on Hatters Player following last Saturday's FA Cup fourth qualifying round victory over Grays Athletic.

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Kevin Watson reflects on a "job well done" following the cup win.

Goalscorer Shane Blackett speaks of his delight at scoring his first goal for the club that put the Town in front.

Kevin Gallen talks of his return to action from a shoulder injury and his looks back on his frustration in front of goal.

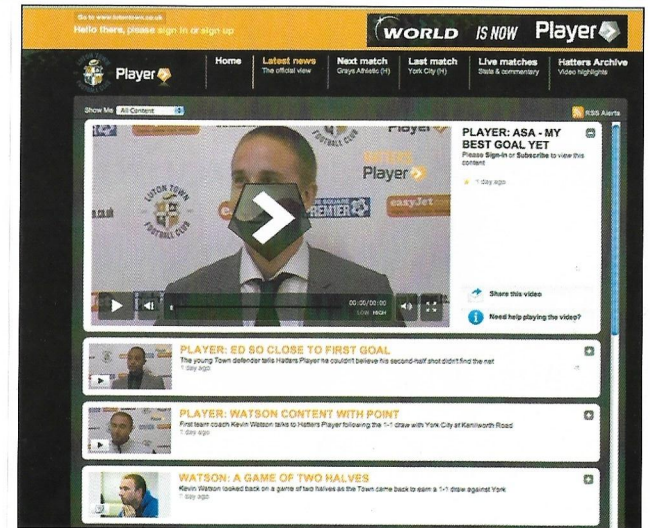
A tired Andy Burgess reflects on his relief on getting back into the Town's starting XI

Eight minutes of highlights from the game. All the chances, all the saves and all the action.

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revenue for the club.

Next week we will start to bring you the new features we have promised as we begin to take a more personal look at life at Kenilworth Road.

Hatters Player will be FIRST with the exclusive news from all the men the matter following this afternoon's game, as well as match highlights so why not sign up and give it a try?

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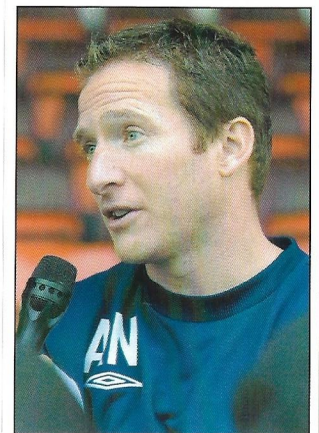
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## HATTERS IN THE COMMUNITY

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What if you were given the chance to interview one, or even two, of the players from Luton Town's current squad?

What questions would you ask them?

Before the half-term break the pupils who have been attending the Centre were lucky enough to interview Asa Hall, George Pilkington, Jake Howells, Ryan Charles and Shane Blackett.

I've found out that children can come up with the funniest questions and I have to give lots of credit to the players for answering them so well.

They all were great; giving honest, detailed answers that demonstrated to the pupils that footballers were just like they are once upon a time - and in Jake's case, not that long ago.

One of the most commonly asked question was: "How much do you earn?". After the first interview that was carried out I pre-warned the next group that it wasn't polite to ask anyone how much they were paid.

However, in the first interview, with Asa and George, George was very diplomatic in replying: "Not as much as you may think!"

What a great answer! I can see a future in politics or even management with answers like that. This leads me on to another popular question which was:

"What do you want to do when you finish playing football?"

George mentioned that he was interested in pursuing a career in physiotherapy, which would mean that he would have to go to university.

Shane, who commenced his career as a full-time professional in his early 20's, had already established himself as a costing manger within a building company.

He explained to the pupils that he would be very keen to get back into his previous career when his footballing days were over. The younger player were not so sure what they wanted to do but did mention getting into coaching.

One of the questions that raised a few smiles with the players was: "Who is the worst dressed player?"

Even though we interviewed the players separately, strangely enough they were unanimous with their answer, which was Liam Hatch.

If you're reading this Liam, I am sorry to say that your team-mates think your taste in trainers is terrible.

If you have any questions regarding the Study Centre please feel free to contact me via email on: [andy.ducat@activeluton.co.uk](mailto:andy.ducat@activeluton.co.uk) or phone 01582 563132.







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### Welcome to Kenilworth Road-again!

I'd like to welcome all the young supporters who have made the short journey from Rushden to be at the game.

Today is our third home game in succession and we'll have another one next week in the FA Cup following our 3-0 win over Grays Athletic last week.

It was a good result against a team in the same league as us and it will be strange playing Rochdale next week because many people would expect that to be a League fixture.

They were the last visitors to Kenilworth Road when we were a

Football League team but although they are a division above us the way we are playing at the minute we shouldn't fear anyone.

All we need to do is keep winning! The support you have given the players this season has been amazing.

As I've said we're back here at Kenilworth Road next Saturday so until then keep singing loud for the players - they really do appreciate it.

See you soon

**Happy Harry**

### HATTERS MASCOT

Please give a warm welcome to our Junior Hatters mascot who is 11-year-old Mitchell Howe. Mitchell is from Luton and is favourite player is striker Tom Craddock.

Apart from supporting the Hatters, Mitchell loves playing football too! A big happy birthday to our Junior Hatters who have celebrated their birthday this month.

### OCTOBER BIRTHDAYS

Mitchell Howe, Jonathon Douse, Jonathon Norris, Zachary Hallman, Alex Robinson-Welsh, Adam Wedd, Joshua Mawson, Joe Hargreaves, Jasmin Coles and Emma Sanders.

From all the players and myself - Happy birthday!



### DO YOU WANT TO BE A JUNIOR HATTER



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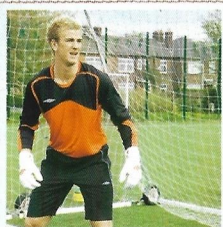
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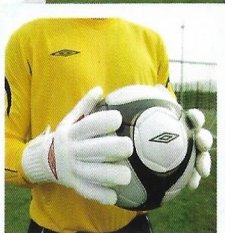
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**LUTON LADIES**

LUTON TOWN LADIES WITH DAVE BAKER



The Town Ladies returned to FA Northern Premier League action having previously been given special dispensation by the Football Association to postpone their last fixture due to a horrendous injury list.

The lack of a loan system in ladies' football meant that we were without a recognised goalkeeper but the extra week gave 17-year-old Sian Hall sufficient opportunity to recover from a long term ankle injury to make her first team debut.

The injury jinx struck again before the game though when striker Candice Davies was ruled out with a back problem as Luton travelled to Derby County for what was a real six pointer.

The game was just 16 minutes old when a superb passing move ended with Amy Summerfield finding Micky Taylor on the edge of the box.

Her first touch took her away from the Derby defender and she fired the ball past the advancing goalkeeper to give Town a 1-0 lead.

However, whilst Taylor was scoring her first goal of the season, she pulled her hamstring and had to be replaced.

Hall then made an outstanding double save pushing a shot one handed onto the post and saving with the follow up shot with her feet to maintain the lead.

After half-an-hour the almost unthinkable happened as a Derby defender deflected a misdirected Rebecca Kane pass into the path of Laveena Betts and she coolly finished to give Luton a 2-0 lead.

County were unable to respond and never really got a foothold until the last two minutes of the game when the Hatters were effectively reduced to 10 players having used all their substitutes after Nicola Henman got a knock on the ankle and then became a virtual passenger.

In the 88th minute a cross shot was deflected in at the far post by an alert Rams' striker and it almost seemed inevitable as the game moved into injury time that all was not yet over.

An unmarked Derby player then converted at the far post to equalise and it could have got worse for Town as, during six minutes of injury time, another County effort flew back off the post to safety.

A disappointed Dave Baker said: "Although we gained an away point it feels like we lost as we were again so close to taking all three points.

"Our overall fitness together with players not quite 100% fit is taking its toll.

"At Premier League level there is no hiding place and any weakness is quickly seized upon and punished.

"A win here would have brought us to within four points of Derby but now we have to do it all again and must get something from our next two matches at home to Curzon Ashton and Newcastle United."

For more information on how the reserves and youth teams fared visit [www.lutontown.co.uk](http://www.lutontown.co.uk) on Monday.



## TICKET OFFICE HOURS & INFO

You can buy tickets for all matches at Kenilworth Road in a number of ways.

1. In person at the ticket office in Kenilworth Road.

The opening hours of the ticket office are as follows:  
Monday-Friday 10am-5pm.

Monday-Friday before a home match: 10am-6pm.

Saturday on a home matchday: 9am-kickoff and until required after full-time.

Saturday on an away matchday: 9am-12noon.

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3. Over the telephone by calling 01582 416976

## MATCHDAY TICKET PRICES 2009/10

Juniors (Under 10)	£5
Youth (Age 10-16)	£8
Young Adult (Age 17-21)	£13
Adult (Age 22-64)	£18
Senior (Age 65-75)	£13
Golden Senior (Over 75)	£10

### Compromise Seating - Main Enclosure A, B, H & J, Main Stand G

Juniors (Under 10)	£5
Youth (Age 10-16)	£8
Young Adult (Age 17-21)	£13
Adult (Age 22-64)	£15
Senior (Age 65-75)	£13
Golden Senior (Over 75)	£10

### Matchday Voucher Books (x5 tickets perbook)

Juniors (Under 10)	£22.50
Youth (Age 10-16)	£36
Young Adult (Age 17-21)	£58.50
Adult (Age 22-64)	£81
Senior (Age 65-75)	£58.50
Golden Senior (Over 75)	£45

\* Unlike in previous seasons, for the 2009/10 campaign there will be no additional £2 charge when purchasing tickets on the day of the match.

# HOME MATCHES



## ROCHDALE

FA Cup first round  
Saturday 7th November 2009 Kick Off time: 3.00pm

Adults (22-64) £15  
Seniors (65-74) £10  
Young adults (17-21) £10  
Children (11-16) £5  
Golden seniors (75+) £5  
Under 11s (accompanied by a full paying adult) £1



## CAMBRIDGE UNITED

Blue Square Premier  
Saturday 21st November 2009 Kick Off time: 3.00pm

Tickets are now on General Sale at the normal Match Day prices



## AFC WIMBLEDON

Blue Square Premier  
Saturday 28th November 2009 Kick Off time: 3.00pm

Tickets are now on General Sale at the normal Match Day prices

# AWAY MATCHES



## GRAYS ATHLETIC

Blue Square Premier  
Saturday 14th November 2009 Kick Off time: 3.00pm

We are awaiting league ticket prices and information from Grays Athletic



## MANSFIELD

Blue Square Premier  
Tuesday 24th November 2009 Kick Off time: 7.45

We have an allocation of 2,000 seats of this fixture. Prices: £16 adults (over 16), £8 concessions.

# GRAYS ATHLETIC

SATURDAY 14TH NOVEMBER 2009 3PM



### WHAT'S THE GROUND LIKE?

Although Grays have played at the Recreation Ground since 1906, the ground itself is fairly new having been completely re-developed in recent years.

On one side of the ground is the Main Stand. This covered all-seater

Behind the other goal is Bradbourne Road End, a small open terrace which is allocated to away supporters.

### WHAT'S IT LIKE FOR LUTON FANS?

Town fans will be primarily housed in the Bradbourne Road terrace at one end of the ground. As this end

take the A13 towards Southend. Then take the A1012 towards Grays. Keep straight on the A1012 into Grays and as you reach the town centre the road becomes the A126 and you follow this road (which is part of the one way system) around the town centre. Keep left around the one way system and continue onto the A1013 Orsett Road. After about another half a mile (going up hill) turn right into Bridge Road. The entrance to the ground is down on the right.

There are no parking facilities at the ground as such, but there is some street parking to be found in roads opposite the main entrance. Alternatively there is a multi storey car park in the town centre (near to the train station) which is a short walk away.

Grays is served by trains from London Fenchurch Street and lies on the London to Southend line. The station is under a ten minute walk away from the ground.

### TRAVEL INFORMATION

Both Town on Tour and the Bobbers Travel Club are running coaches to the Receptions Ground.

The Bobbers leave the Maple Road car park at noon and prices are £14 for adults and £12 for concessions.

Town on Tour depart from the Maple Road car park at 12.30pm

Prices are £15 for adults and £13 for concessions.



stand is on the small side, being only five rows in height, but does run the full length of the pitch.

The opposite side of the ground has on one side a small partly covered terrace that extends around one corner of the ground.

The Ball Court End is the home end, and is a covered to the front. There are also a number of supporting pillars for the roof of this small stand.

is open to the elements, supporters can transfer to one of the 150 seats allocated to away supporters in the Main Stand.

There is no supplement charged for a seat in the Main Stand and these are allocated on a first come, first served basis. Refreshments are provided in this area.

### HOW TO GET THERE AND WHERE TO PARK?

Leave the M25 at Junction 30 and

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After quizzing 16 members of the Hatters' squad we're down to the last eight and the questions are getting progressively harder. Can you do better? The answers can be found on page 65.



**SHANE GORE**

HEAD 2 HEAD

**ROSSI JARVIS**

Swansea	✓	Which team play their home games at the Liberty Stadium?	✗	Wrexham
Louis Saha	✓	Who scored the first goal in last season's FA Cup final?	✓	Louis Saha
1904	✗	Before last week when did Luton last play in the fourth qualifying round of the FA Cup?	✗	1982
Wrexham	✓	The Red Dragons is the nickname of which Blue Square Premier club?	✓	Wrexham
18	✓	How many times have Liverpool won the league title?	✓	18
12 yards	✓	How many yards away from the goal line is the penalty spot?	✓	12 yards
Leicester	✓	Which team won League 1 last season?	✓	Leicester
Crewe	✓	Dario Gradi is the caretaker manager of which club?	✓	Crewe
Pass	✗	Who is the new manager of Notts County?	✓	Hans Backe
Charlton	✓	Kevin Nicholls started his career at which club?	✗	Luton
		<b>8</b>		<b>7</b>



# HATTERSSTATS

ALL THE RESULTS & STATS FROM THE 2009/10 SEASON

AUGUST	TEAM	COMP	SCORE	ATT	AWAY	POS
Sat 8	A AFC Wimbledon	BSQP	D1-1	4,488	826	12
Tue 11	H Mansfield Town	BSQP	W4-1	7,295	542	2
Sat 15	H Gateshead	BSQP	W2-1	6,829	48	1
Tue 18	A Forest Green	BSQP	W1-0	1,805	869	3
Sat 22	H Chester City	BSQP	Do-0	6,563	85	3
Sat 29	A Kettering Town	BSQP	Do-0	3,266	1,838	3

SEPTEMBER	TEAM	COMP	SCORE	ATT	AWAY	POS
Tue 1	H Crawley Town	BSQP	W3-0	6,389	115	3
Sat 5	A Salisbury City	BSQP	D1-1	2,044	907	3
Tue 8	A Oxford United	BSQP	Lo-2	10,613	2,331	4
Sat 12	H Barrow	BSQP	W1-0	6,264	144	2
Tue 22	A Wrexham	BSQP	Lo-3	3,448	303	9
Sat 26	A Cambridge	BSQP	W4-3	4,870	1,728	6
Tue 29	H Stevenage	BSQP	Lo-1	8,223	793	8

OCTOBER	TEAM	COMP	SCORE	ATT	AWAY	POS
Sat 3	H Tamworth	BSQP	W2-1	6,297	270	5
Sat 10	A Kidderminster	BSQP	W2-1	2,927	925	5
Sat 17	A Altrincham	BSQP	W1-0	1,762	640	5
Tue 20	H York City	BSQP	D1-1	6,387	257	5
Sat 24	H Grays Athletic	FACQ	W3-0	2,721	124	-
Sat 31	H Rushden & D	BSQP				

NOVEMBER	TEAM	COMP	SCORE	ATT	AWAY	POS
Sat 7	-	FAC1				
Sat 14	A Grays Athletic	BSQP				
Sat 21	H Cambridge	BSQP				
Tue 24	A Mansfield Town	BSQP				
Sat 28	H AFC Wimbledon	BSQP				

DECEMBER	TEAM	COMP	SCORE	ATT	AWAY	POS
Tue 1	H Kettering Town	BSQP				
Sat 5	A Chester City	BSQP				
Sat 12	-	FAT1				
Sat 19	H Forest Green	BSQP				
Sat 26	H Histon	BSQP				
Mon 28	H Eastbourne B	BSQP				

JANUARY	TEAM	COMP	SCORE	ATT	AWAY	POS
Fri 1	A Histon	BSQP				
Sat 9	-	FAT2				
Sat 16	H Salisbury City	BSQP				
Sat 23	A Gateshead	BSQP				
Sat 30	H Ebbsfleet	BSQP				

FEBRUARY	TEAM	COMP	SCORE	ATT	AWAY	POS
Sat 6	A Barrow	BSQP				
Tue 9	H Oxford United	BSQP				
Sat 13	A Eastbourne B	BSQP				
Sat 20	A York City	BSQP				
Sat 27	A Crawley Town	BSQP				

MARCH	TEAM	COMP	SCORE	ATT	AWAY	POS
Sat 6	A Hayes&Yeading	BSQP				
Sat 13	H Wrexham	BSQP				
Tue 16	H Kidderminster	BSQP				
Sat 20	A Ebbsfleet	BSQP				
Sat 27	H Hayes&Yeading	BSQP				

APRIL	TEAM	COMP	SCORE	ATT	AWAY	POS
Sat 3	A Stevenage	BSQP				
Mon 5	H Grays Athletic	BSQP				
Sat 10	A Tamworth	BSQP				
Sat 17	H Altrincham	BSQP				
Sat 24	A Rushden & D	BSQP				

Tyler	Reynolds	Blackett	Pilkington	Emanuel*	Newton***
Tyler	Reynolds	Keane	PILKINGTON 2	Murray**	Newton***
Tyler	Keane	Pilkington	Blackett	Murray	Burgess
Tyler	Murray*	White	Pilkington	Blackett	Burgess
Tyler	Reynolds*	Pilkington	White	Blackett	Jarvis
Tyler	Keane	White	Pilkington	Newton***	Nicholls
Tyler	Gnakpa	White	PILKINGTON 2	Murray*	Newton**
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Tyler	Gnakpa	White	Pilkington	Murray*	Newton
Tyler	Gnakpa*	White	Pilkington	Murray	Newton
Tyler	A-Adjaye*	White	Pilkington	Murray	Newton
Tyler	A-Adjaye*	White	Pilkington	Murray	Newton
Tyler	A-Adjaye	White	Pilkington	Howells	Gnakpa**
Tyler	A-Adjaye	White	Pilkington	Howells	Newton
Tyler	Reynolds	White*	BLACKETT 1	Howells	Newton*

Keane	Hall	Burgess	CRADDOCK 1**	Gallen
Burgess	Hall	Jarvis	CRADDOCK 1	Gallen*
HALL 1	Howells**	Jarvis	Craddock*	GALLEN 1
Hall	Keane	Reynolds	CRADDOCK 1**	Gallen
Nicholls	Gallen	Burgess	Craddock	Basham**
Craddock**	Burgess*	Jarvis	Gallen	Murray
Nicholls	Keane	Jarvis	CRADDOCK 1	Gallen***
Keane	Jarvis	Newton	Craddock***	GALLEN 1
Nicholls	Hall	Newton	Gallen	Craddock**
Keane	Jarvis	Craddock	Gallen	NEWTON 1
Jarvis	Gallen**	Hall	Craddock	Hatch**
JARVIS 1	Hall	HOWELLS 1**	GALLEN 2***	Hatch
Nicholls**	Jarvis	Howells***	Hall	Craddock
Nicholls	Jarvis	HALL 1	Hatch**	WRIGHT 1***
Nicholls	Jarvis	Hall	Craddock	Wright**
Nicholls	Hall	NEWTON 1	Craddock	Wright*
Nicholls	HALL 1	Gnakpa	Craddock	Wright*
Pilkington	HALL 1	Burgess***	Gallen	Charles

Howells*	Jarvis***	Basham**	Gnakpa	Gore
Basham*	Howells**	Gnakpa***	Beavan	Gore
Gnakpa**	Basham*	Beavan	Watkins	Gore
Jarvis*	Howells	Gnakpa	Basham**	Gore
Murray*	Howells***	Gnakpa	Patrick	Gore
Blackett*	Howells***	Basham	Donnelly**	Gore
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Murray*	Donnelly**	Howells	Basham	Gore
Blackett	Hatch*	Basham	Howells	Gore
Blackett*	Charles**	Donnelly***	Reynolds	Gore
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Asafu-Adjaye*	Gnakpa*	Wood	Gore	Nathaniel***
				Barker

HEAD 2 HEAD ANSWERS  
 1. Swansea City, 2. Louis Saha, 3. 1920,  
 4. Wrexham, 5. 18, 6. 12, 7. Leicester, 8. Crewe,  
 9. Hans Backe, 10. Charlton.



NEXTUP...

LUTON TOWN V ROCHDALE 07 / 11 / 09



ROCHDALE

We're at home again next Saturday after the draw for the FA Cup First Round pitted us against League 2 Rochdale here at Kenilworth Road.

Keith Hill's side are no strangers after meeting them twice in the league last season but while we now find ourselves in the Blue Square Premier, Dale have continued where they left off last season.

The Spotland outfit have reached the Play-Offs for the last two seasons but after one trip to Wembley where they suffered defeat at the hands of Stockport County, they then lost out to Gillingham in the Semi-Finals last season and this year Hill and the Dale faithful are hoping to go one better and finally escape the bottom tier of the Football League.

They are the division's longest serving club with this their 36th season at that level but currently sit third in the table, just five points behind leaders Bournemouth, and recently took 19 points from 24 available before losing to Accrington Stanley last weekend.

By the time the two sides met at

Kenilworth Road last season Rochdale were looking for the double after securing a 2-0 win at Spotland in November. Lee Thorpe opened the scoring with just two minutes on the clock before Adam Le Fondre doubled the lead from the penalty spot after Ian Roper bought down Rory McArdle.

Neither goalscorer will be on show next weekend after Thorpe moved to Darlington on a free transfer in the summer, while Adam Le Fondre signed for League 2 rivals Rotherham in August.

Tom Craddock opened the scoring at Kenilworth Road in the return match in April, when he converted a penalty, after Chris Martin was fouled by McArdle. Adam Rundle earned the visitors a point though when he equalised on 56 minutes.

Dale have won three, drawn two and lost just twice away from home this season, those defeats coming at Rotherham and Burton, while they have beaten Northampton, Darlington and Grimsby.



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# THE SQUADS



## LUTONTOWN

1	MARK TYLER
2	ED ASAFU-ADJAYE
3	LEWIS EMANUEL
4	KEITH KEANE
5	ALAN WHITE
6	GEORGE PILKINGTON
7	ADAM NEWTON
8	KEVIN NICHOLLS
9	LIAM HATCH
10	TOM CRADDOCK
11	ANDY BURGESS
12	SHANE BLACKETT
13	SHANE GORE
14	ASA HALL
15	JAKE HOWELLS
16	ROSSI JARVIS
17	RYAN CHARLES
18	CLAUDE GNAKPA
19	STEVE BASHAM
20	KEVIN GALLEN
21	CALLUM REYNOLDS
23	FREDDIE MURRAY
25	GEORGE BEAVAN
30	ADAM WATKINS
31	JORDAN PATRICK
32	JACK WOOD
33	SAM BARKER
34	TAYLOR NATHANIEL

## RUSHDIENS

1	DALE ROBERTS
2	CURTIS OSANO
3	KURT ROBINSON
4	MAX PORTER
5	JAMIE STUART
6	SIMON DOWNER
7	AARON O'CONNOR
8	ROB WOLLEASTON
9	CRAIG FARRELL
10	LEE TOMLIN
11	JAMES REID
12	NEIL COUSINS
13	JOE DAY
14	NICK McNAMARA
15	JAKE BEECROFT
16	MICHAEL CORCORAN
17	JAMIE McGUINESS
18	MATT PATTISON
19	SAM SMITH
20	MARK BYRNE
21	LEWIS HILLIARD
22	JACK HIGGINS
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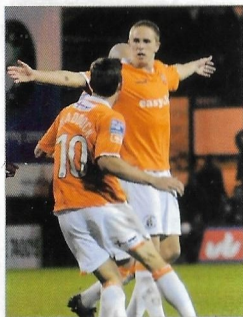
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### TODAY'S FIXTURES

Cambridge Utd	v	Kidderminster
Chester City	v	AFC Wimbledon
Crawley Town	v	York City
Ebbsfleet U	v	Wrexham
Forest Green	v	Eastbourne B
Grays Athletic	v	Barrow
Kettering Town	v	Stevenage B
Mansfield Town	v	Histon
Oxford United	v	Altrincham
Salisbury City	v	Gateshead
Tamworth	v	Hayes & Yeading

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FA CUP FIRST ROUND 3PM

