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2/the Gaffer says



Good evening and welcome to tonight's game against Luton Town.

Let's go back to the month of October 2010 when I became Manager of your Football Club and which became mine. We were in a situation where my first job was to make sure that we got out of relegation. That took a few weeks and from there my job was to get us up that league as high as I could. From October 2010 to April 2011, we have managed to get ourselves to 7th and within touching distance of the playoffs. Now the reason for me highlighting that is with four games to go, if we were all asked would we take being in the situation we are now way back then, would we have taken it? So let me tell you there is only one answer and that's YES!

This is the first time I have had to do my notes on the back of a home league defeat but it doesn't change or alter the way

I feel. I feel strong, I feel positive and I know that the chance of finishing in that top five is still there for the taking. Yes, we have got to win football matches, but that is what we all get paid to do, that is our job and that's what we must do. If we have to win matches, then so do the teams we are battling against so this is about us believing in ourselves showing that a defeat at home on Saturday will only inspire us to go out tonight and show what we are all about.

So here we go, we all have to play our part tonight against Luton Town, win the game, get three points and then let's see where that takes us because I know if we achieve that victory then your conversation with your friends on the way home will be different to that last Saturday. KEEP BELIEVING! Enjoy the game.

The Gaffer



Welcome to Luton Town FC and all attending the game tonight at Bootham Crescent.



3/From the Boardroom

The match on Saturday against Tamworth was a disappointing way to lose our first home fixture since October, however I am sure the team will put Saturday behind them and give 100% this evening to get our play-off challenge back on track.

I think Saturday's statistics speak for themselves - YCFC -13 shots on target, one goal; Tamworth - three shots on target, two goals. Sometimes that happens in football and we lost a game in which we created

enough chances to win. Of course the timing of the defeat was unfortunate, but I know Gary and the team will put every effort into the remaining fixtures to achieve, what at the early part of the season seemed impossible.

It is disappointing for David McGurk and the Club that he will be unable to take part in the remaining League fixtures due to his injury sustained against Newport County. I wish David a speedy recovery and hope that

his return coincides with YCFC's participation in the play-offs.

It was great to see (and hear!) the Archbishop of York at Saturday's game and I was happy to present a cheque to his Youth Trust on behalf of York City FC. I hope he can find the time in his extremely busy schedule to visit Bootham Crescent once more before the end of the season.

Enjoy the game.

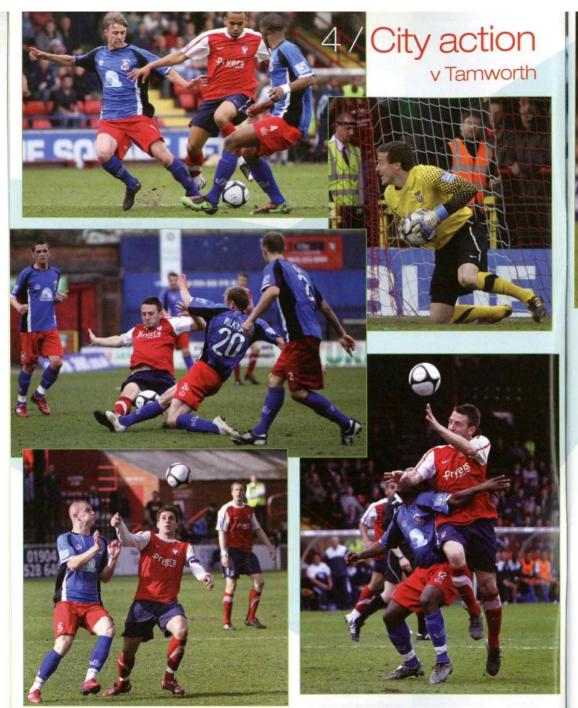
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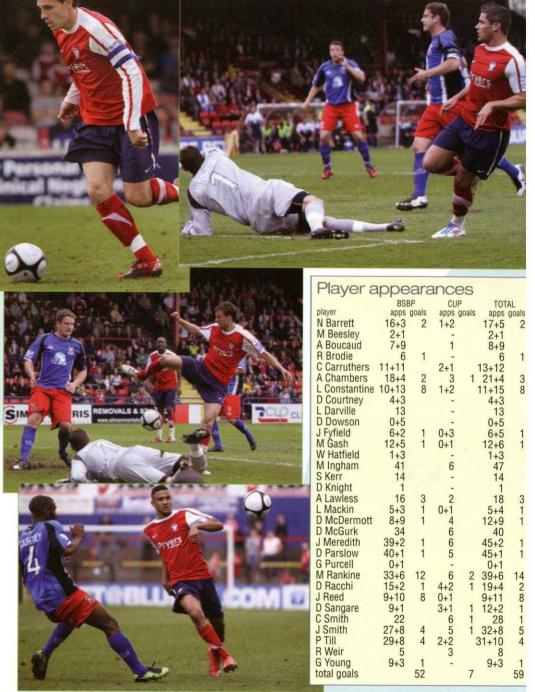
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Welcome to tonight's game at **Bootham Crescent!**

The defeat against Tamworth was a massive disappointment and possibly our worst display as a team since I came back to the club. I can't understand why because the lads looked totally up for the game on Friday and I really expected us to be winners.

Some credit should go to Tamworth as they worked very hard and pressed us all the way but we can play so much better and will be looking to bounce back tonight. I was desperate to beat Tamworth for personal reasons and took some stick from their supporters but that's all in the past now and we need to do our

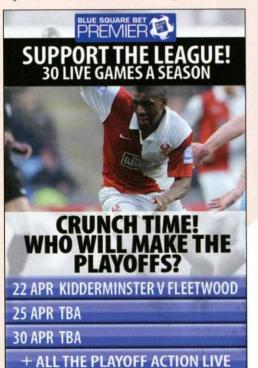
jobs and get back to business tonight.

In virtually all the games at Bootham Crescent so far, your support has been fantastic and we really need you to keep it going in the final few games. We desperately want that play-off spot so need you to stay with us all the way, even if we go a goal behind. We have a great set of players and must stay positive even when things don't go our way so let's make some noise and put all our energy into a win tonight.

Luton have a very strong squad and will no doubt want to win in order to keep us out of the play-off positions. They have one of the biggest squads in the league but won't fancy us in the play-offs again, so whilst tonight might be a big task, let's remember how strong we've been at home this

Get behind the lads again tonight!

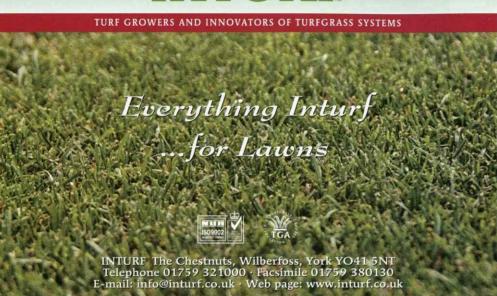
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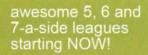






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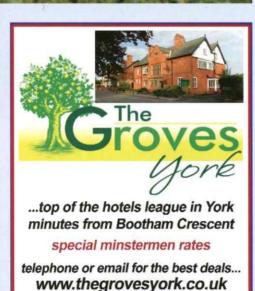
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9/Conference Round Up

by James Wright

The promotion race in the Blue Square Bet North and South is coming to an exciting climax, with both leagues having a number of teams vving for a promotion opportunity. Let's have a closer look at the teams that could be kicking off next season in the Blue Square Bet Premier.

Blue Square Bet North

Derbyshire based side Alfreton Town currently top the BSBN with an eight point lead and could all but secure promotion to the top flight if they claim a victory on their visit to North Yorkshire to face Harrogate Town tonight. After suffering play off final

heartbreak last season, losing to current BSBP play off contenders Fleetwood Town, they have kicked on this campaign to top the table for the majority of the last four months.

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Of the chasing pack, AFC Telford and Boston United have put up the biggest fight for the automatic promotion place. Telford will be looking to make it third time lucky after losing in the play offs twice since they were brought in. The club, as Minstermen

fans will be aware after a visit in the FA Trophy two seasons ago, is certainly geared up for promotion with a fantastic stadium, facilities and fan base in

place. Their main rivals in the **Blue Square Bet Premier Table** play off lottery are likely to be Boston. The Lincolnshire side have suffered some in different PD W D L F A GD PTS results since the departure of joint managers Rob Scott and Paul Hurst to Grimsby Town in March, however after leading the division for the early stages of the season and picking up wins in their last three games they look like a good bet for a final



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The two remaining places for a play off spot looks likely to be a contest between

three sides - Nuneaton Town. Guiselev and Solihull Moors. None of the clubs have featured in the Conference National division previously so history will be made if one of them can go all the way to securing the second promotion spot. Eastwood Town, who currently site in fifth place, may also yet

be involved but currently are ineligible due to issues surrounding their ground

Blue Square Bet South

The fight for the championship is less clear cut in the BSBS. Braintree

Town and Farnborough have been neck and neck all season and with only one four points currently separating them leading into the final three games

of the season, it will be a very close finish. Braintree currently hold top spot and arguably have the easier run in of the two teams. If they can stay where they are, the Essex based side will make their first ever appearance in the top of the non

league pyramid next season.

Ebbsfleet United are looking for an immediate return to the

BSBP and unless they implode over the next three games they will have an opportunity in the

play offs. Liam Daish's side have the best away record in the league, which should give them the

edge in a two legged tie. Hot on their heels are

Welling and Chelmsford who are joint top scorers in the

Of the sides currently sitting just outside the play off places, Dover Athletic look the most likely to sneak in. The scoring exploits of FA Cup hero Adam Birchall, who always rises to the big occasion, could help them secure a return to the top of non league after a

Woking, who have the second best defensive record in the division, and Eastleigh are the only other sides who can still make a final push for a top five finish, but with both suffering a tough run in it seems like a brave man who would back them to secure a BSBP place for the 2011/12



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Sat 30th Apr Crawley Town

From a fans point of view it's bitterly disappointing for everyone concerned when the club you've loved forever is deducted points.

12 / The Beautiful Game Touch and Go by Ade Roberts

following their league two game ineligible players in the same game! Hereford have been deducted three points by the have also been hit with a onepoint deduction for the same

> Both clubs claim that the with the administration of the 'ineligible' players and both are likely to appeal against the deductions. Points for both clubs could be decisive as both are in need of points in league two for contrasting reasons. Torquay being candidates for a play-off spot and Hereford needing all the points they can muster to avoid the drop into

campaign on MINUS 30 points.

separate point deductions. Firstly, they were deducted 10 points after being found guilty of misconduct for paying agents via a third party.

deduction, they were then deducted a further 20 points by the football league for going into

administration for the third time in 10 years! The deduction

was too much to keep the Hatters in the Football League and after 89 years as a league club, they fell into the Blue Square Conference. However, they did manage to get to Wembley and win the Johnstones Paint Trophy during their last league season with a 3-2 win over Scunthorpe United. Although finishing second in the BSBP last season, Luton lost both legs of their play-off semi-final and missed out on a return to league football. This term however, could be a different story as they're currently sitting pretty in the top three of the BSBP.

Having points taken away, for whatever reason seems a massive injustice to us as fans (unless we caused it). Luton fans know this all too well since their drop out of the league. As for Torquay and Hereford this season, it could mean just as much, as one may miss out on the play-offs and the other could end up dropping out of the league and potentially joining Luton Town!

Here's hoping we secure the three points today - let us be that 12th man today!

The consequences of which mean that the club find in February. Both clubs fielded themselves at the wrong end of the table or missing out on a play-off spot. Sometimes, it's because of the behaviour of a Football League while Torquay minority of a clubs' fans that the club are deducted points due to a fraction of their offence contingent causing trouble. Imagine how the players and the club feel when it's own supporters are the cause of a

point deduction? They work

then because of a few idiotic

fans misbehaving, the points

else connected with the club

few affect everyone else.

are then taken away by the FA.

It does seem unfair on everyone

when the actions of a mindless

Recently though, it's the clubs

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both clubs have recently been

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LUTON TOWN LOOKBACK by David Batters

A warm welcome to Luton Town on this 11th competitive visit to Bootham Crescent. They made 7 trips here in the Football League in the old 2nd, 3rd and 4th Divisions (1967-2001) winning 3 times and drawing 3. City's only success was in March 1967 in Division Four in the first ever meeting between the clubs and in a 5-1 success Andy Provan (2), Les Collinson, Tommy Spencer and John Goodchild were the marksmen. City lost all seven of their trips to Kenilworth Road.

Last season the clubs met for the first time in non-league football. Both league games were drawn 0-0 at York and 1-1 at Luton while in the promotion semi-final play offs City won both legs 1-0. The Hatters other trip here was in the 3rd round of the FA Cup in 1978/79 when 4th Division City overcame 2nd Division (Championship) Town 2-0 with Gordon Staniforth and Kevin Randall on the scoresheet

Players who have appeared for both clubs include Reg Stockill in the 1930's along with Jimmy Weir, Jim Goldie, Viv Busby, Rob Matthews, Lee Nogan, Liam George, Janos Kovacs and currently Alex Lawless and Luke Grahem. The managerial link is provided by legendary Charlton Athletic goalkeeper Sam Bartram whio managed City (1956-1960) and Town (1960-1962).

Formed in 1885 Luton Town were members of the Football League from 1920 until their relegation to the Conference in 2009 and operated in all four divisions of the competition. They won the Littlewoods (Football League) Cup in 1988 and were runners up the following season. In 1959 they were FA Cup runners up and in their last season in the Football League lifted the Johnstone's Paint Trophy at Wembley in

15 / Our visitors tonight...

... Luton Town

GOALKEEPERS 1 • Mark TYLER

Hugely experienced goalkeeper who signed a two-year contract at Kenilworth Road in June 2009 to become Mick Harford's fifth signing of the summer following his release from Peterborough United. Mark made 483 appearances in 15 years at London Road. After falling down the pecking order at Posh he found first team opportunities hard to come by and in 2008/09 he was





loaned out to League 2 Bury. A former England Youth international.

30 · Kevin PILKINGTON

Vastly experienced goalkeeper who joined the Hatters in May 2010 after his release from Notts County. Pilkington began his career with Manchester United playing six times in the Premier League under Sir Alex Ferguson. During his six years at Old Trafford Pilkington enjoyed loan spells at Rochdale, Rotherham and Celtic before a two-year stay at Port Vale. After 23 league appearances for the Valiants, he was on the move once more, with Aberystwyth Town and Wigan Athletic his next two ports of call. However, he found stability at his next club, Mansfield.

joining the Stags in 2000 and went onto feature 167 times in league action over the next five years. In 2005 the

Hitchin-born stopper made the short hop down the M1 to sign for Notts County and another five year stay resulted in him making 141 appearances at Meadow Lane.

DEFENDERS 6 • George PILKINGTON

Highly experienced defender who joined the club on a free transfer in August 2008. Having began his career as an Everton trainee, Pilkington joined Port Vale in June 2003, after a loan spell at Exeter City. Having started 223 league games for the Valiants, the highly-regarded defender has been named Player of the Year













twice. Injury frustrated the centrehalf in his first season at Kenilworth Road in 2008/09 but he still managed to pick-up a Johnstone's Paint Trophy winners' medal.

2 • Dan GLEESON

Tall and athletic defender. primarily a right-back, Gleeson signed for the Hatters in the summer of 2010 from his home town club Cambridge United. A product of the U's academy, Gleeson made his debut at 18 and soon became a regular at the Abbey Stadium before Notts County snapped up his signature in 2006. Gleeson only lasted a season at Meadow Lane, featuring 17 times before he was back at the Abbey, firstly on-loan before signing permanently in 2007.

16 • Ed ASAUF-ADJAYE

Capable of playing in any position across defence, Asafu-Adjaye has made significant progress through the Club's youth set-up.

12 • Shane BLACKETT

Equally adept at centre-back or at left-back, Shane began his career with Dunstable Town before a

switch to Arlesev Town in 2003. His form with the United Counties side alerted the attentions of Dagenham & Redbridge who signed the 6ft 3in defender in May 2004. He made 83 appearances during his time at Victoria Road and helped the Daggers win the Conference title and earn promotion to the Football League in 2006/07. His reputation as a pacey defender alerted the attention of Peterborough who signed him in 2007 and he moved to Town in 2009.

pre-season fixtures in 2010 to earn a one-year contract. Kroča made 169 league appearances belt in 10 years with hometown club Tescoma Zlín in his native Czech Republic.

5 • Luke GRAHAM

Centre-half who impressed in assured display alongside George Pilkington in two pre-season fixtures in 2010 to earn a one-year contract. Luke (pictured below in the City v Town BSB fixture last season) spent most of last season

13 • Zdenek KROCA Centre-half who impressed in two

with City making 36 appearances.

Previous to that he was with Mansfield Town.

3 • Freddie MURRAY

Left-footed versatile defender who joined the Hatters on a six-month loan deal from Blue Square Premier side Grays Athletic in August 2009 and the deal was made permanent in January 2010. Previously with Northampton Town, Stevenage Borough and Cambridge United the Irishman began his career as a trainee with Blackburn Rovers.

24 • Alex LACEY

Up-and-coming second year scholar who impressed Richard Money in the 2010 pre-season to earn a squad number.

MIDFIELDERS 11 • Robbie WILLMOTT

Harlow-born winger who penned an 18-month contract with the Hatters in January 2011 after hitting 10 goals for Cambridge United. Capable of playing on either wing or behind the front two, Willmott came through the ranks at the Abbey Stadium.

17 • Paul CARDEN

Experienced central midfielder signed on-loan from Cambridge United in February 2011 until the end of the season.

15 • Jake HOWELLS

The young winger, who can also play at left-back, came through the ranks at Kenilworth Road and made his first team debut as a second half substitute in May











25 • Godfrev POKU

Tenacious defensive midfielder who signed from Blue Square South outfit St Albans City in January 2010 on an 18-month contract. A tough-tackling and nononsense midfielder, the Town beat off competition from several Football League clubs for his signature.

26 · JJ O'DONNELL

Tricky winger who joined the Town with St Albans team-mate Godfrey Poku in January 2010. Also capable of playing in attack the youngster featured for the Hatters' reserve and youth teams during 2009/10.

18 • Claude GNAKPA

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

4 • Keith KEANE

Having made his debut as a 16year-old in November 2003, Keith Keane went on to enjoy an extended run in the side. Over the course of his career at Kenilworth Road Keane has proved to be one of the, if not the most, versatile players to pull on a Luton shirt. Capable of playing right the way across the back four or in midfield the only positions he's not featured for the Town (yet) are in goal and up-front.

7 • Adam NEWTON

Ascot-born Adam became Mick Harford's second summer signing of 2009 after agreeing a two-year contract at Kenilworth Road following his release from Brentford, Adam started his career at West Ham United, coming through the Hammers' respected Academy before signing for Peterborough United in May 2002. The former England Under 21 international went onto make a name for himself with the Posh making 249 appearances in six years at London Road going onto win promotion at the end of the 2007/08 campaign.

28 • Adam WATKINS

Young midfielder, capable of playing in attack, who signed professional forms at Kenilworth Road in June 2010.

21 • Charlie HENRY

Winger Henry signed from Blue Square Bet Premier rivals Newport County in November 2010, signing initially on-loan until January when the England C international will complete a permanent switch. Henry is no stranger to Kenilworth Road as he came through the youth ranks at the

14 • Alex LAWLESS

Former Wales Under-21 midfielder who signed in November 2010 initially on-loan from York City before a permanent deal goes through in January 2011. Alex agreed a contract which keeps him at Kenilworth Road at least until the end of the 2011/12 season. A star of the Minstermen's campaign last season which saw them lose in the Promotion Final to Oxford United, Lawless featured prominently in all four of the meetings

with the Hatters last term at the heart of midfield. He joined City from Forest Green Rovers in the summer of 2009 and made a total of 63 appearances and netted four

FORWARDS 9 · Matthew BARNES-HOMER

Prolific striker who joined the Hatters initially on a month's loan from Kidderminster Harriers before agreeing a two-and-a-half year contract to move permanently when the transfer window re-opened on 1st January 2010. An energetic talent, the front man began his career as a trainee at Wolves before going on to lead something of a nomadic life prior to finding his feet at Kidderminster. After leaving Molineux he tried his luck in the United States before returning to England and, following success with a clutch of non-league sides, he was snapped by Wycombe Wanderers. He struggled to make an impression at Adam Park but, after being released at the end of the 2006/07 season, Harriers Manager Mark Yates beat off competition from a host of sides to capture his signature.

19 • Danny CROW

A nippy poacher of a striker, Crow joined the Hatters from Cambridge United in May 2010 following the expiry of his contract at the Abbey Stadium. The front man started his career as a trainee with Norwich City and made his senior bow in the Premier League for the Canaries in December 2004. A loan spell at Northampton followed towards the end of the 2004/05 season before he was released by Norwich and signed for Peterborough in the summer of

2005, notching 17 goals in his debut season at London Road. Following a short loan spell at Notts County, Crow was released by Posh and was snapped up by Cambridge in September 2008.

29 • Dan WALKER

Quick young forward capable of playing down the flanks who signed a one-year deal in July 2010 after impressing in preseason in games for and against the Hatters. Previously with Bedford Town, Walker has also played for Stony Stratford Town and Leighton Town.

8 • Amari MORGAN-SMITH

Striker or wide man who arrived at Kenilworth Road as a free agent following a two-year spell at Ilkeston Town. He put pen to paper on a two-year deal after two years with the Blue Square Bet North side in which he scored 34 goals in 77 starts. The fast and skilful frontman's impressive form for the Robins earned him a callup to the England C squad at the end of last season, earning his first cap against the Republic of Ireland in May. Wolverhampton-born Morgan-Smith started his career as a trainee with Wolves. He then signed for Crewe and then Stockport where he made one Football League appearance before moving to Ilkeston.

23 • Jason WALKER

England Cinternational striker signed in November 2010 initially on-loan from Barrow. The striker began his career in Scotland with Dundee, coming through the ranks











LAST TIME WE MET AT YORK

29 April 2010

at Dens Park but, after four

youngster was snapped by

seasons without featuring, the

Greenock Morton in 2004. Three

years with the Ton followed before

he was on the move again, crossing

the border to sign for Morecambe.

forward began to make his name,

seasons at Holker Street, helping

firing 50 goals in two-and-a-half

them to promotion and Blue

Square North Play-Off glory in

displays continued to flow for

2008. The goals and eye-catching

Walker and co. in the Conference

culminating last season when they

after beating Stevenage in the final

lifted the FA Trophy at Wembley

with Walker scoring a stunning

and ultimately trophy-winning

Experienced and prolific striker

who joined the Hatters in January

and scored on his debut in the 5-0

win over York City. The Ghanaian

Kenilworth Road after a spell in

Australia with Adelaide United and

33 • Lloyd OWUSU

international arrived at

goal in extra-time.

But it was with Barrow that the

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City 1 Town 0 (promotion play off semi-final 1st leg)

CITY: Ingham, Purkiss, Graham, McGurk, Meredith, Lawless, Mackin, Barrett (Smith), Carruthers, Brodie, Rankine (Gash). Scorer: Brodie (89 mins).

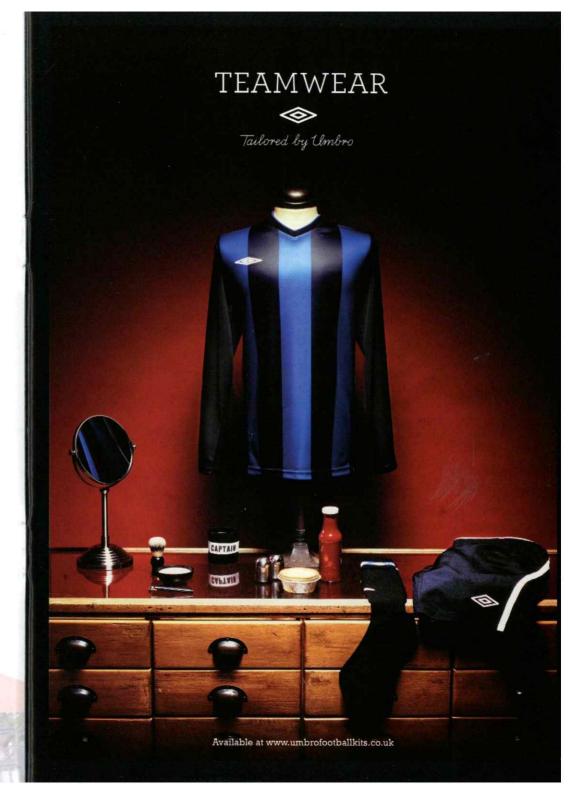
TOWN: Tyler, Newton, Pilkington, Blackett, Murray. Gnakpa (Barnes-Homer), Keane, Heslop, Howells, Craddock, Gallen.

Chris Carruthers scored the goal in the 1-0 win at Kenilworth Road and City qualified to meet Oxford United at Wembley in the play off final.

> the end of the season. The frontman enjoyed a prolific career in England prior to his move Down Under having netted 144 times in 350 starts for a number of Football League clubs.

MANAGER **Gary BRABIN**

Originally brought to the club as Chief Scout at the time Richard Money was appointed manager in October 2009, Brabin was reassigned in the new role as assistant manager in the summer of 2010. Following the departure of Richard Money in March 2011, Brabin took control of the Hatters until the end of the 2010/11 season. After playing over 275 times in League football as a tough-tackling midfielder, Brabin moved into management firstly with Southport - guiding them to the Conference North Play-offs before moving south to manage Cambridge United in 2008. In his first - and eventually only season at the Abbey Stadium he guided the U's to the Blue Square Premier Play-off final after finishing runners-up to champions Burton Albion, but lost to Torquay United at Wembley. Despite that set-back Brabin was awarded the BSP Manager of the Year award before behind the scenes differences at the Abbey led to him leaving the club in July 2009 before arriving at Kenilworth Road.



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21/Potter's Page





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With four games of the season left one topic is dominating the conversations between all City fans and that is the play-offs. With AFC Wimbledon and Luton looking safe for a top five place it is between Wrexham, Fleetwood, Kidderminster and The Minstermen for the final two positions and Neil Barrett expects the race to go down to the wire.

"I think it will go down to the last game of the season because it is so tight in and around there at the moment. We're in fantastic form at the moment so we stand a real chance of making the top five. The manager has just told us to concentrate on each game as it comes and if we win all four games, then we will hopefully make it."

Three points tonight is a must but that will be a hard task especially with Luton coming to town.

"Luton are a good side and you don't get into the top three places in the league if you aren't a good side. They are always good games when both sides meet and they're always tight because we are both good footballing sides. The only game when it wasn't tight was at the turn of the year when lngy got sent off and we lost 5-0. It is going to be another close game but hopefully we can come out with an important three points."

Any game against Luton will resurrect the unsavoury scenes that marred the end of City's 1-0 victory at Kenilworth Road in the play-offs.

"Of course when both teams clash everyone will remember the scenes from last season. After the match last season all the team just looked back at a fantastic performance during the game because it was a great performance to get us to Wembley. Our performance will always be overlooked however, just because of what occurred after the full time whistle."

Neil knows only too well how fierce the competition for a place in midfield is as Danny Racchi recently found out.

"Danny is a really good player but at the end of the day everybody probably thinks that they should be playing. I've not played that much since the new manager has come in, but it is up to me to earn the chance to play and then take it when it comes along. I got injured at Bolton and I've found it difficult to get back in the team since then. It is frustrating when you are not on the field but you've just got to work hard to get back in there."

During the FA Cup clash at Bolton the midfielder was inches away from writing himself into City folklore but for the reflexes of Adam Bogdan.

"We played well throughout the game and at that time the score was 0-0 and if it had gone in we would have been 1-0 up with ten minutes to go. It was a fantastic save though and it just wasn't to be for us. Since then we have gone from strength to strength and we know that whoever we play we have got a good squad and a great side that can match anyone."

Goals don't seem to be a problem for the former Portsmouth player, goals at Bootham Crescent do however.

"I've scored seven for the club so far and they've all been away from home so I am definitely due one. It would be really nice to grab one before the end of the season but it is up to me to first of all get myself back in the side."

Having started his career at Chelsea the 29-year-old came face to face with stars such as Gianfranco Zola, Roberto Di Matteo and Frank Lebouef on a regular occurrence.

"There were so many exceptional, world class players at Chelsea when I was there but not many of the youngsters got a chance on the pitch. I learnt so much from all the players during my three years there and it was just fantastic. I've no regrets at all and I will always cherish my time there. Just to be on the training pitch with the likes of Zola and Di Matteo was such an honour."

Due to all the success the club has had in recent years you could forgive Neil for thinking what might have been.

"I think when Roman Abramovic came in it was obvious the club was going to have a lot of success, and there would be fewer lads coming through to the first team. With all the money available to the manager

he had the pick of all the youngsters at home and abroad, as well as all the players in the world. With so much money there would be fewer players coming through, it was hard to get into the team when I was there, so it has just become even harder now. I've never looked back though, I've no regrets from my time there."

If training alongside the superstars at Chelsea was good, then playing alongside former Real Madrid and Barcelona star Robert Prosinecki was just as enjoyable.

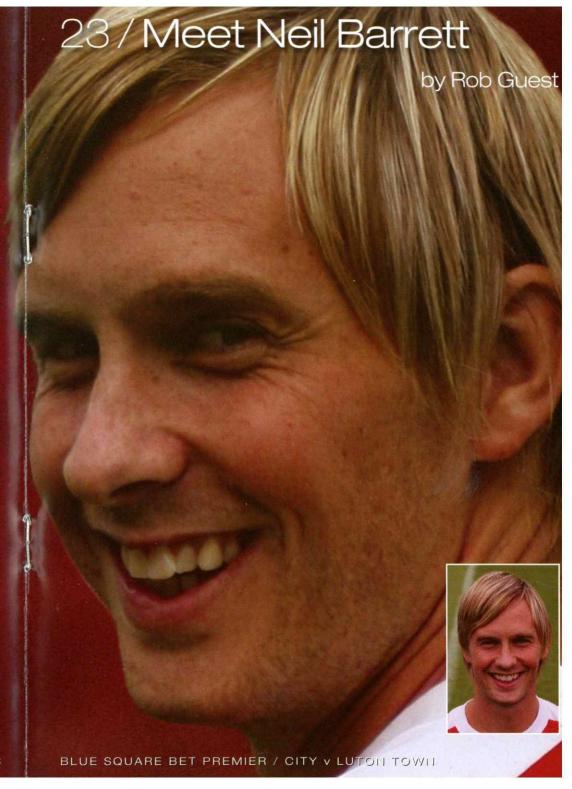
"I was watching Sky Sports the other day and it showed Ronaldo when he was at Barcelona and Robert Prosinecki was in the background. You don't get to play for Real Madrid and Barcelona if you are not good and he was an exceptional player. When he played for Portsmouth he was at the end of his career, but he still lit up the league. He was a great guy and I learnt so much off him like I did when I was at Chelsea."

Following spells at Pompey and Dundee, City's number 14 went across the Atlantic for a trial with MLS side New York/New Jersey Metrostars.

"When I was going back home to London my agent was working on a contract for me out there but the manager got the sack as I was travelling from New York to London so it didn't work out. All the facilities out there are first class and it would have been really nice to have been a part of because the league has really taken off since then. You've just got to look at the players playing out there now just to see how successful it has become. David Beckham and Thierry Henry are over there now and the success will just continue."

Neil hasn't had the best of luck across the pond especially after having to miss his stag-do in Las Vegas due to last season's play-off final.

"I won't make the same mistake again! I've no plans to go back to Vegas as yet, but I've made sure my holiday is booked after every final there is. That's FA Cup, FA Trophy and play-off final because I don't want to miss out. I've definitely made sure my holiday is after this year's play-off final."



24 / Friends of York City Youth Development Fund

As most people are now aware, since our relegation from the Football League, the Football Club now receives no financial assistance as it strives to operate the Centre of Excellence to the same high standards enjoyed when the Club did receive financial support.

I am pleased to report, however, that the shortfall in cash has so far resulted in the minimum of disruption to players and coaches because the Youth Development Fund has stepped in to plug the financial gap. Recently the Fund has turned more towards the business community, supporters groups and Parents as it seeks additional finances to help meet the "Centres" day to day running costs. Listed below are a group of Companies, Parents and individuals whose support this season has been greatly appreciated.

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So far these groups of people have either made donations or used various fundraising initiatives to help meet the financial shortfall, however, let's not get complacent, because whilst faced with the prospect of rising costs and an uncertain economic climate it is imperative that we maintain our fundraising efforts until at least the time when the club regains its "Football League" status.

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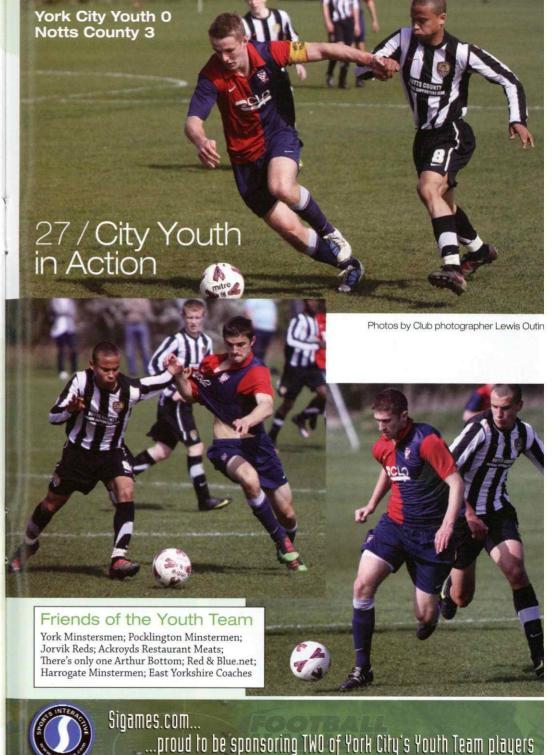
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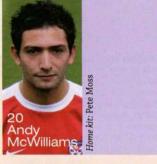






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Fergie from Black Eyed Peas and Paddy Kenny for his entertainment value.

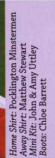


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30 / York City in the Community

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The Community team works in schools around York, Selby and Ryedale offering football and multisports coaching, both during school time and after school, and with the improvement in weather, we are inundated with requests to visit schools and make good use of their outdoor space. In the Summer Term alone, the team of coaches will be working in over 30 schools.

We are also busy preparing for the May Half Term and Summer Holiday Football Fun camps. The Half Term information will be launched this week on the website, and having had several requests already, we are just finalising the summer details and hope to have these available by the end of May but can assure you that there will be at least one holiday camp taking place every week in York and Selby, and in some cases there may be more. In addition, we will be offering camps in multisports and dance at at least one venue in York. Keep checking www.ycfc.net/community for more information or sign up to the York City in the Community facebook page to be the first to hear and YCITC news.

On 18th & 19th June, York City in the Community will be running our second annual Junior Club Tournament at the official York City Training Ground. Teams from Under 7's to Under 11's from Yorkshire are all invited to enter. If you would like to apply, please contact the Community Office on 01904 624447 (ext 7) or email community@ycfc.net for an application form.

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what the charity does and fundraising which already takes place, at YCITC, Bootham Crescent, York, YO307AQ before 1st June 2011.

Finally, the Community Team will be attending a number of community and charity events over the summer months in the region with our inflatable penalty shootout from Cliffe to Haxby, Copmanthorpe to Stamford Bridge, Wigginton to Poppleton. If you see us at an event, do come along and have a go and support our fundraising. We will have some great prizes and would love to chat to any YCFC fans!

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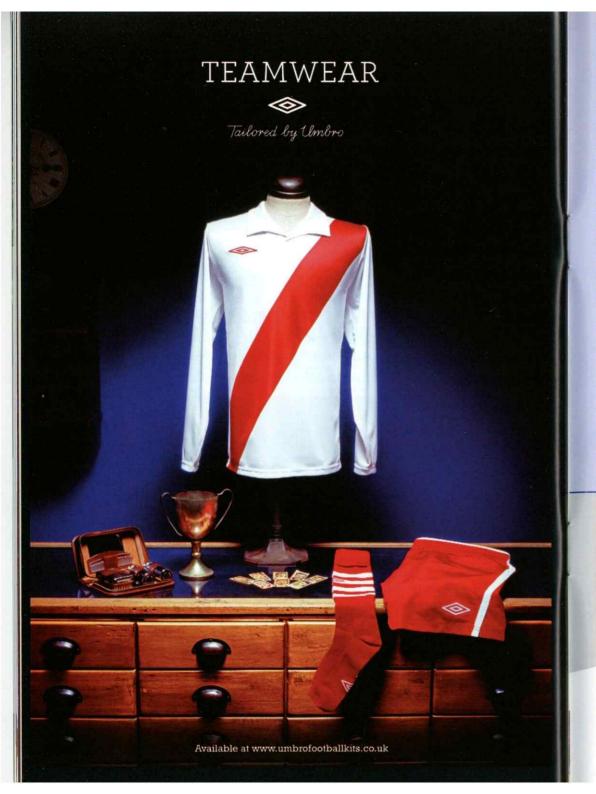


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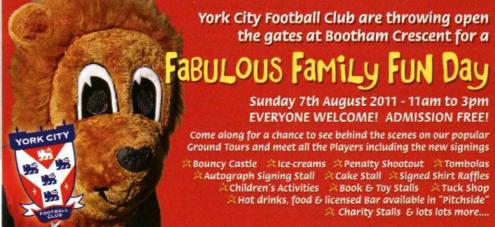
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Please return your nomination to: York City FC, Bootham Crescent, York YO30 7AQ or by email to: nick.bassett@ycfc.net - before 5pm on Friday 22nd April 2011.

THE BILLY FENTON MEMORIAL TROPHY / PREVIOUS WINNERS

973/74	Phil Burrows	1992/93	Paul Stancliffe
974/75	Chris Topping	1993/94	Paul Barnes
975/76	Micky Cave	1994/95	Jon McCarthy
976/77	Brian Pollard	1995/96	Andy McMillan
977/78	Gordon Staniforth	1996/97	Tony Barras
978/79	Gordon Staniforth	1997/98	Steve Bushell
979/80	Ian McDonald	1998/99	Barry Jones
980/81	Eddie Blackburn	1999/00	Barry Jones
981/82	Keith Walwyn	2000/01	Alan Fettis
982/83	Derek Hood	2001/02	Alan Fettis
983/84	John MacPhail	2002/03	Chris Brass
984/85	John MacPhail	2003/04	Darren Dunning
985/86	Simon Mills	2004/05	Dave Merris
986/87	Keith Walwyn	2005/06	Clayton Donaldson
987/88	Dale Banton	2006/07	Neal Bishop
988/89	Ian Helliwell	2007/08	David McGurk
989/90	Chris Marples	2008/09	Daniel Parslow
990/91	Steve Tutill	2009/10	Michael Ingham
991/92	Jon McCarthy		





50/50 Cash Draw v Tamworth

The Minstermen's mascot, Yorkie The Lion, kindly joined me at pitchside to draw the winning tickets at this game. It's certainly not an easy task for a lion with furry paws! A few months ago, it was announced that we had set a target of selling 50/50 tickets to 40% of City supporters , which, assuming crowds remain at the same size, would see the prize money increase to around £400. At this game, we acheived that 'sales per supporter ratio' for the first time at a league game (excluding those when there was a Super Draw).

The £400 cash prize was won by young Liam Dyer from Barmby Moor, who had bought ticket number 026058 from Rick in the car park.

A one hour off peak pitch hire at **PlayFootball** was the prize for **Louise Walgate** from Strensall. Louise's lucky ticket was **026823**.

The £10 voucher for **Stonegate Yard Bar & Brasserie** was not claimed by the owner of ticket **025882**. Having enjoyed a tasty lunch with my son at Stonegate Yard on the previous day, I can certainly recommend that the winner contacts me to arrange to pick up their prize, if he or she still has the ticket.

As well as a Super Draw, with a guaranteed prize of at least £500, at the Cambridge United game on Easter Monday, we will also be giving away two pairs of tickets for the summer's Bootham Crescent Beer Festival, in The Pitchside Bar. Having been involved with the organisation of the Beer Festival in the previous three years, I would urge fellow City fans to try to support the event between Friday 24th and Sunday 26th June.

Good luck tonight! Ian Tyssen – 50/50 Cash Draw Promoter (07794 091810) ian.tyssen@hotmail.com

34/Fan Focus

York Minstermen

TREASURE HUNT 2011 UNDERWAY!

York Minstermen's 2011 Treasure Hunt is now on sale at just £2 per copy:

- in the Supporters' Office (next to the Club Shop) on match days
- in the Club Shop on non-match days
- · at all York Minstermen events

Compiled once again by Dave Potter, it is a fun event for the whole family over the Easter and summer holidays.

There are some excellent prizes up for grabs, and all money raised will go to the Youth Team fund.

You'll have until September to complete the hunt, so buy one today and complete it at your leisure – you could even split it over two or three weekends!

BOOTHAM CRESCENT BEER FESTIVAL – TICKETS ON SALE NOW!

Tickets for the 2011 Bootham Crescent Beer Festival are now on sale:

 in the Supporters' Office (next to the Club Shop) on match days

- in the Club Shop on non-match days
- · at all York Minstermen events
- online at (10% booking fee applies)
 http://tiny.cc/bootham

The Festival will run from Friday June 24th to Sunday June 26th, and tickets will cost just £6 including festival glass, souvenir programme, your first two drinks, and live entertainment from singer Martin Gough on the Saturday.

In the meantime, we're looking for businesses, organisations, and individuals to sponsor barrels. You can even opt to sponsor the souvenir programme or Martin Gough's performance!

Sponsorship helps offset the cost of the festival and means more money goes to good causes at York City FC, such as the Youth Team.

Sponsoring a barrel will cost just £80. In return, you'll get four tickets for the festival, each entitling the holder to a festival glass, souvenir programme, and two free drinks.

You'll also get extensive publicity, through our press releases and website, in the programme and at the event, including YCTV.

We're also looking for volunteers to help staff our bar. Even if you're only available for a couple of hours, your help will aid our fundraising efforts.

To help us through sponsorship or behind the bar, contact Frank Ormston on 07956 237 270 or frank@vorkminstermen.org.uk

MARK'S MUSIC QUIZ IN THE PITCHSIDE BAR

Our next quiz in The Pitchside Bar will be Mark's Music Quiz on Thursday 5th May 2011

Hosted by Mark Woodhouse, the questions will start at 8:30pm and the bar will be open from 7:00pm.

Entry costs just £1 per person for teams of no more than four people. There'll be excellent prizes for the top teams, plus a raffle with more fantastic prizes, including the mouth-watering YMM navvy's breakfast.

York Minstermen members will also have the chance to win £35 in our members' draw. If you're not already a member, you can join on the night. Just £5 will make you a member until June 2012.

Everyone is welcome. Just turn up on the night!

Our quizzes will continue throughout the summer on the first Thursday of each month: 3rd June; 1st July; and 4th August. AND FINALLY ...

An appeal for prize donations!

We'll be running a tombola at the York City Family Fun Day here at Bootham Crescent on Sunday 7th August, so we're looking for donations of prizes suitable for adults, from bottles of wine to unwanted gifts of toiletries and so on. If you have anything you'd like us to use to help raise funds, please bring it along to the Supporters' Office on match days or to one of our Quiz Nights in the Pitchside Bar.

www.yorkminstermen.org.uk

Pocklington Minstermen

MEMBERSHIPS

We offer memberships to all city fans who live in East Yorkshire. Our aim is to hold regular meetings in the sports and social club at Pocklington Town FC ground.

If you join now, your membership will cover next season. Membership forms can be downloaded from our website, the supporter's office or from me. The annual fee is, £5 adults, £2 children, family £10. For further details or group news contact me or see our website.

Steve Clark (Chairman), Pocklington Minstermen. Mobile 07886959301, email pocklingtonminstermen@live.co.uk www.pocklingtonminstermen.co.uk

York City Supporters' Club scene

Good evening everyone. The winner of our members complimentary ticket draw tonight is Nick Bilby of Strensall, membership No. 42.

We are running our usual matchnight raffle for a fully-autographed football with tickets costing just 20p each.

The Supporters Club will be sponsoring the match ball at our next home game and I would like to congratulate those lucky members who will be our guests on the day.

Raymond Wynn (01904-797578)

Go with Rowe DARLINGTON (DL2 1DL)

Saturday 23 April, 2011

Approximate mileage: 60

Admission: ALL SEATED. Adults £16, concessions £10, under 16s £5. Disabled: Wheelchair user £10, helper free.

Parking: At stadium - £5.

Recommended route & pre-match meal: Leave York via A59 to join A1 (M) and at J57 join M66. Continue onto A66 until reaching the Darlington Arena on the left. To eat first, from A66 at r/bt take second exit onto A167 and stay on A167 for almost two miles then at r/bt take second exit onto B6279 Freemans Place (SP Teesside) then TR into McMullen Road then TL for the Shuttle and Loom (DL1 1RW). Retrace route back to McMullen Road, TL and at r/bt take fourth exit onto B6280. TL onto Geneva Road and at T-junction TL onto Neasham Road for the Northern Echo Arena on your left. York Pullman Travel Club: Coaches depart Bootham Crescent at

11:30am – fare £9.50.

By train: The Northern Echo Arena is 1.3 miles from Darlington Railway Station. Suggested services:

York dep 12:49 Darlington dep 17:59
Darlington arr 13:17 York arr 18:27

For details of other services contact National Rail Enquiries on 08457-484950 (or log onto www.nationalrail.co.uk).

Harrogate Minstermen

Good evening

First of all, the Branch had a very enjoyable trip to Boldon CA last week to witness the switching on of the Sam Bartram Floodlights. Sam's daughter, Moira performed the switch on. She left for Toronto with the addition of a Harrogate Minstermen pin badge! The officials and supporters at Boldon gave us a very warm welcome.

We are running the Minibus to Darlington this Saturday. We will be picking up in Harrogate, Starbeck and Knaresborough. Fare is £10 Members £12 Non Members. Please visit our Website www.harrogateminstermen.com or contact myself for departure times. Our next Branch meeting is due to take place on Thursday 28th April 2011 at the Harrogate Conservative Club with a 7.30pm start. Guest/s will be announced in due course.

Enjoy the game.

John Uttley (07805-226342) www.harrogateminstermen.com

York City South

SOUTHERN CONNECTIONS

We are the southern based supporters club and welcome new members. We hold social evenings in Central London, have our own website and send out regular newsletters. We also organise car shares and meeting points before matches. If you are based 'down south' then please come and join us – membership is £10 for the season – more details and a membership form is on our website.

NEXT SOCIAL EVENING

The next social evening is being planned – check out our website for details.

WEBSITE

Check our York City South website www.yorkcitysouth.co.uk for all the latest branch updates [with thanks to Chris Forth our webmaster]. Review the latest edition of 'New Frontiers', download City Fixture posters to promote home matches ... and much more!

Tonight's game is important for both sides and whilst I don't want to take away from the importance of the match, I wanted to say a few words about the football commentator. It has been prompted by the untimely and early death of the BBC's Luton Town commentator lan Pearce.

36 / Tittle-Tackle BBC Radio York

The commentator has a love hate relationship with fans.



Each week they follow every twist and turn of the team.
They bring you the highs and lows. You may not like what they have to say.

but they are there, week in week out, travelling the length and breadth of the country to keep the fan informed about their team. It strikes me that it can be harder to commentate on games which don't feature Lampard, Rooney or Gerrard. Matches where you can hardly hear the crowd because there's fewer supporters than normal, yet they manage to find words and enthusiasm to fill ninety minutes. They add colour and their own personality to each game. They put in preparation for each game and have to be prepared for every eventuality.

The relationship between the fan and the commentator is very personal. The fan has plenty of their own views about the match and so does the commentator. The knack is to

be as impartial as possible and that is always the challenge.

Ian Pearce was a lifelong Luton supporter and passionate about the sport. Many fans will have followed his commentaries. Many tributes have been made from the footballing world from fans to the Chairman at Luton Town

Luton Town's manager, Gary Sweet wrote 'Home and away, his passion for the Town knew no bounds and win, lose or draw, he was always able to accurately give his opinions on the club's performance.'

So today it would be nice to salute the commentator – love them or loathe them – they do have an important part to play. The hundreds of tributes which poured in for Ian showed that.

Today's commentary team on BBC Radio York are Barry Parker and summariser Chris Jones – you might not agree with what they say, but you may not realise it, they play an important part in any match

Enjoy the game.

Elly Fiorentini – Drive Presenter for BBC Radio York Physio's update



Dave McGurk came off in the Newport County game. On examination on the pitch, initial thoughts were damage to the fibula bone. A more

detailed examination in the treatment room suggested ligament damage. A scan was arranged for Tuesday and on writing these notes we have not yet heard the results.

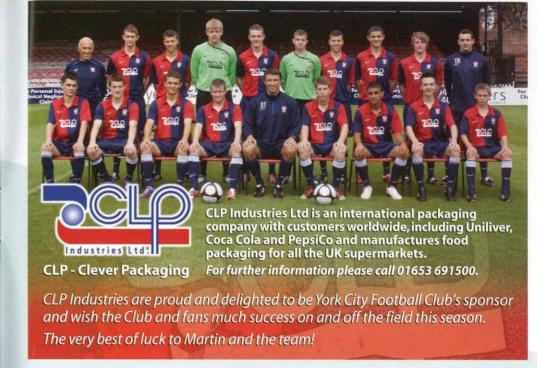
Peter Till came off at half time in the same game due to bilateral hamstring problem but after treatment on Monday morning he was able to train with no adverse effects.



On another seperate matter, in my years of being involved in football I have learned that nine out of ten times money does buy success – sometimes short lived! But I have also learned – and this was confirmed lately – what it does not buy is manners, humility and respect for your fellow professionals.

Good Health

Jeff







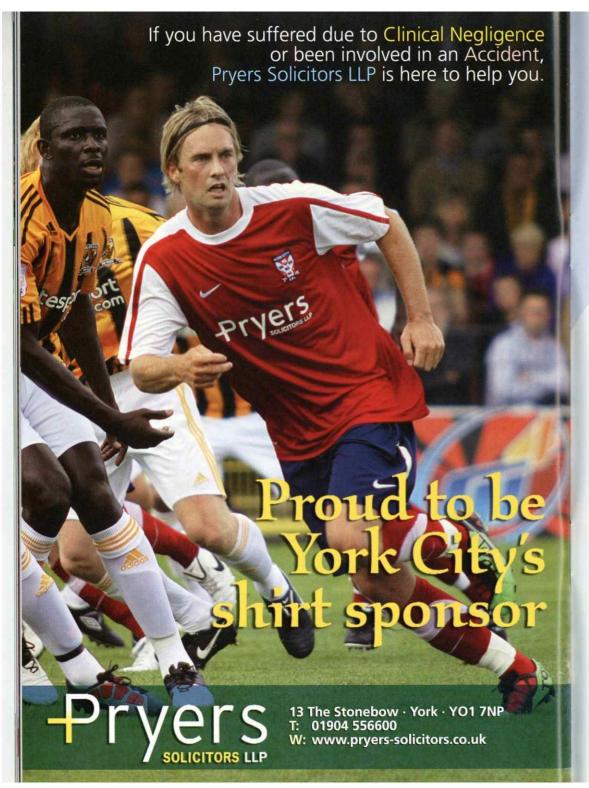
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The big games are coming thick and fast so welcome to another one here tonight against Luton Town. The finish line is definitely in sight now. and tonight presents another chance of taking a massive step forward towards the play-offs.

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I am writing these notes on the the fans created a cauldron of eve of the Tamworth game, and I hope the game went our way. The Newport County game prior to that was another great win against what I thought was one of the better teams to visit Bootham Crescent this term. It was an excellent team performance and credit to Michael Rankine who put aside his disappointment from the Kettering game to pick himself up to win and convert a penalty that changed the course of the game. He also put in a lovely cross for Jamie Reed to head home the second as Jamie continued his fine run of goalscoring form.

The only downside was the injury to Dave McGurk and it was a relief to find out that no bones had been broken and that the injury isn't as bad as it first looked. It will obviously keep him out for a few games but we are lucky to have such talented defenders who will relish the challenge of keeping the back tight during his

Looking ahead after tonight, we have a mouth-watering Bank Holiday weekend to look forward to with Darlington away on Saturday followed by the visit of Cambridge United on the Monday. Many fans have commented that the FA Cup game at Darlington earlier in the season was one of the season's highlights so far, and

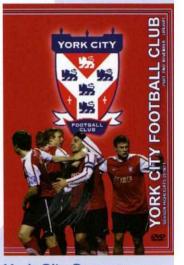
noise that afternoon. We need to repeat that as best we can to help the lads get a crucial three points, and I am sure most City fans who are here this afternoon will be making the short trip up to the Darlington Arena. Should results go our way then the home game against Cambridge could be a grandstand regular season finish to what has been an amazing season at Bootham Crescent.

And YCTV will be there to cover every kick. It's been a busy few weeks on the footage front with so many home games back-to-back, but when you're winning games then all the effort and hours in front of the edit suite are worthwhile. To be honest I was a bit disappointed when it was originally announced that this game was due to be broadcast on Premier Sports as games against Luton are usually very eventful for one reason or another! So, I wasn't too sorry when the game had to be rearranged without the presence of live TV cameras. Yes, we've lost the fee for staging it but we will almost certainly make that money back with a higher attendance tonight due to the crucial stage of the season we are at now.

And you never know, the Premier Sports cameras may be back at Bootham Crescent one

last time before the end of this campaign, fingers crossed! Enjoy the game.

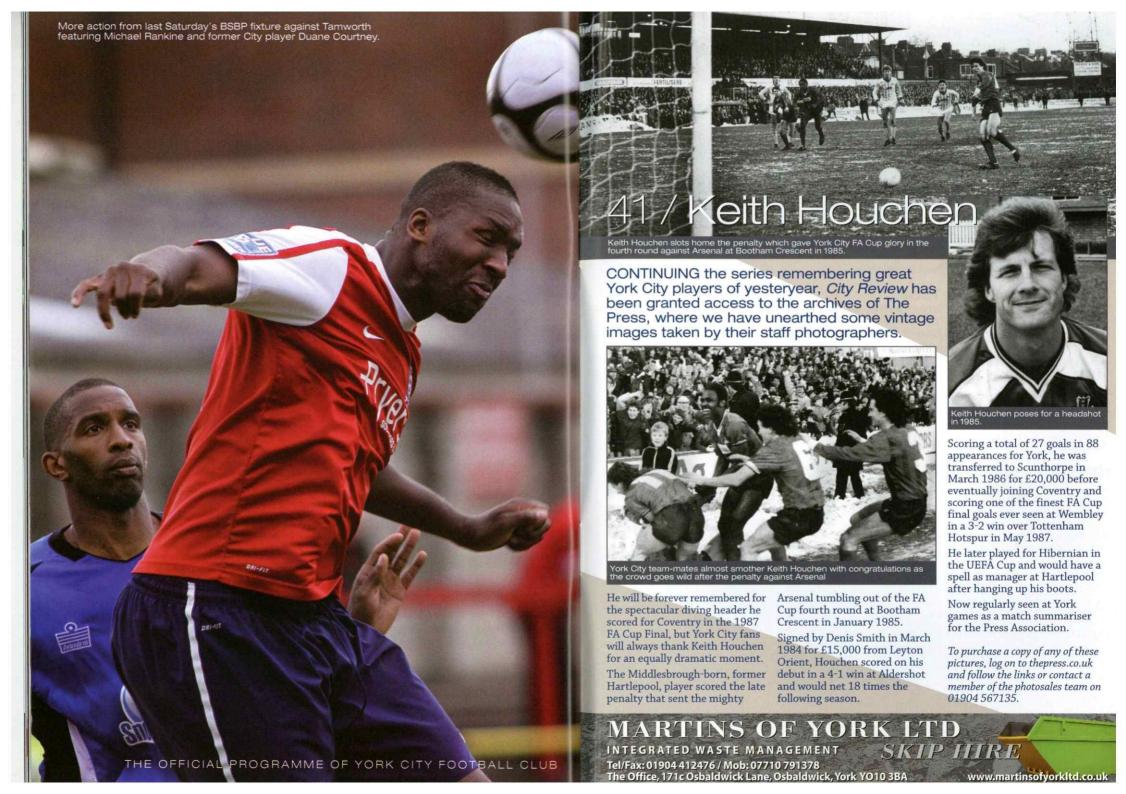
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York City Season Highlights 2010/11 -Part 2

The second part of this season's match highlights on DVD is now available at the York City Club Shop. Priced at £10, this 80 minute production features all the action from the months of November. December and January.

Highlights of this season's North Riding Senior Cup campaign are also featured.



42/On this day...







1923

A 3-0 defeat at Scunthorpe United and without a win in 10 games City were in the lower reaches of the Midland league in their inaugural season.

1924

Chesterfield reserves were beaten 4-0 at Fulfordgate with goals from Arthur Charlesworth (2), Sandy Acklam and Tommy Rippon.

1927

A 3-3 draw at Long Eaton with Sam Ranby (2) and Ray Noble on the scoresheet and City were 6th in the Midland League.

1930

City were 5th in Division Three North following a 4-1 victory at home to Hartlepools United. Sam Evans (2), Wally Gardner and Billy Bottrill were the marksmen and the crowd at Fulfordgate was 2,563.

1935

Jack Eyres was the scorer in a 2-1 defeat at Gateshead which left City 19th in the Northern Section.

1938

A 1-0 win at Bradford City with Reg Baines on target and City were in the top half of Division Three North.

1947

Alf Patrick (2) and Jimmy Rudd were the scorers in a 3-0 win at Halifax Town. City were 3rd from bottom in the table but owing to the bad winter still had 11 games remaining with several matches in hand of their rivals in distress.

1952

A Bootham Crescent crowd of 11,335 saw a 1-1 draw against Grimsby Town with Alf Patrick on target. City were midtable in the Northern Section.

1957

A Good Friday attendance of 11.681 at Bootham Crescent watched a 0-0 draw against Stockport County and City were 7th in Division Three North.

1958

Terry Farmer scored both goals in a shock 2-1 triumph at top of the table Scunthorpe United in front of 10,083 at The Old Show ground and City moved up to 18th in the Northern Section. It was the 6th

19 April by David Batters

game without defeat and maintained City's hopes of reaching the top 12 of the table and a place in the new national Third Division at the start of the next season.

1961

Promotion hopes faded in a 2-0 defeat at Accrington Stanley which left City 5th in the Fourth Division. This was a re-arranged fixture as the original game at Peel Park in August was abandoned in the 83rd minute because of a violent thunderstorm with City leading 2-1!

1965

City took a giant stride to promotion with a 3-0 Easter Monday win over Lincoln City watched by 10,800 at Bootham Crescent, Norman Wilkinson, Billy Rudd and Andy Provan were on the scoresheet and City were 2nd in the Fourth Division. Promotion was duly gained with a win over Halifax Town in the last game.

1971

A club record run of 36 unbeaten league and cup games at Bootham Crescent, going back to January 1970 ended when Oldham Athletic won 1-0 in front of 14,321. City were 4th in Division Four behind Notts County, Bournemouth and Oldham and were destined for promotion.



Kevin McMahon nets from close range against Oldham 40 years ago today but the "goal" was disallowed.



Chris Galvin heads City's first goal against Swindon Town.

1974

Another promotion campaign and a City moved up to 17th in the 1-1 draw at Southport virtually clinched the prize for third placed City. Barry Lyons was the scorer and promotion to the Second Division (Championship) was assured the following week in a top of the table clash against Oldham Athletic which was drawn 1-1 at Bootham Crescent.

1975

A 3-1 win at Bristol Rovers ensured safety from relegation and moved City up to 15th in the Second Division. Chris Topping, Barry Swallow and Jimmy Seal were the marksmen.

1976

In the penultimate game of the campaign City, already doomed to relegation back to the Third Division (League One), drew 1-1 at home to Blackpool with Ian Holmes the scorer.

1977

A run of 9 games without a victory ended with a 4-2 home win over Swindon Town. The men on the scoresheet were Chris Galvin, Jim Hinch, Brian Pollard and George Hope. The attendance was 1,848 and City were 22nd in the Third Division (League One) and making his debut in goal was 18 year old Joe Neenan.

1980

Fourth Division following a 2-1 win at Port Vale with Andy Clements and Barry Wellings on target. It was the club's 200th away win in the Football League since their election in 1929.

1983

A Bootham Crescent crowd of 9,909 saw 4th Division leaders Hull City beaten 1-0 in a thrilling game. John Byrne was the match winner and City were 7th in the Fourth Division.



John Byrne nods home the winner against the Tigers. Hull player on left in white is Emlyn Hughes of Liverpool and England fame.

ON THIS DATE

1933 Yorkshire cricketer and Test umpire Dickie Bird born.

1956 Sue Barker tennis player and TV personality born.

1970 Kelly Holmes athlete and Olympic gold medallist born.

1995 A bomb explosion in Oklahoma City USA kills 168 people. A Gulf War veteran was later found guilty.

Chart toppers included:

1960 - My Old Man's A Dustman -Lonnie Donegan

1970 - All Kinds Of Everything - Dana

1980 – Working My way Back To You/ Forgive Me Girl – Detroit Spinners.

1990 - Vogue - Madonna

2000 - Toca's Miracle - Fragma

1986

A 2-1 home win over Lincoln City thanks to goals from Tony Canham and John MacPhail (pen) and City were 10th in the Third Division (League One). The crowd was 3,874.

1991

City went down 2-1 at Halifax Town and were in the lower reaches of the Fourth. Tony Canham scored the consolation goal.

1997

A 3-0 home defeat at the hands of Bristol City, managed by former City boss John Ward, and City were 21st in the Second Division (League One). The attendance was 3,344.

2003

Play off hopes took a knock as City suffered their first defeat in 8 outings when they lost 1-0 at Lincoln City and slipped to 9th in the Third (League Two).

2005

City crashed to a 4-0 defeat at Canvey Island in the last away game of the campaign and were 5th from bottom of the Conference.

2008

A 0-0 draw at Torquay United and City were midtable in the Blue Square Premier.



Red & white shirts, blue shorts, red socks



Orange shirts, white shorts & socks

COMPANDA LABORA

YORK CITY

	1	David KNIGHT
	2	Liam DARVILLE
	3	James MEREDITH
	4	Jonathan SMITH
	5	David McGURK
	6	Daniel PARSLOW
	7	Jamie REED
	8	Peter TILL
	11	Chris CARRUTHERS
	14	Neil BARRETT
	15	Michael RANKINE
	16	Jamal FYFIELD
	17	Levi MACKIN
	19	Ashley CHAMBERS
	20	Will HATFIELD
	21	Papa AGYEMANG
	22	David McDERMOTT
	23	Tom RICHARDSON
	24	Michael INGHAM
	25	Leon CONSTANTINE
	26	Steve TORPEY
	28	Andre BOUCAUD
	29	Scott KERR
П	30	Chris SMITH

LUTON TOWN

	1	Mark TYLER
	2	Dan GLEESON
	3	Freddie MURRAY
	4	Keith KEANE
	5	Luke GRAHAM
	6	George PILKINGTON
	7	Adam NEWTON
	8	Amari MORGAN-SMITH
	9	Matthew BARNES-HOMER
	11	Robbie WILLMOTT
	12	Shane BLACKETT
	13	Zdenek KROCA
	14	Alex LAWLESS
	15	Jake HOWELLS
	16	Ed ASAFU-ADJAYE
	17	Paul CARDEN
	18	Claude GNAKPA
	19	Danny CROW
	21	Charlie HENRY
ij	23	Jason WALKER
	24	Alex LACEY
	25	Godfrey POKU
	26	J J O'DONNELL
	28	Adam WATKINS
	29	Dan WALKER
	30	Kevin PILKINGTON

33 Lloyd OWUSU

NEXT UP AT BOOTHAM CRESCENT

Monday 25 April / 3:00pm v Cambridge Utd (BSB Premier)

TONIGHT'SBALLBOYS

Poppleton Panthers U/11's
Oliver Palmer, Mathew Beilby,
George Lumb, Dan Corr, Mike
Duxberry, Laurence Griffin, Alfie
Lamb, Jordan Sutton, Oliver Green,
Joseph Lines, Joe Campbell.

... OFFICIALS

Referee: Steve Smith

(Co Durham)

Asst refs: Matt Pope

& James Wilson

4th official: Paul Cook

... MASCOT

ADAM REID

Adam Reid who is seven years old. He attends Clifton Pre-preparatory School. His favourite football team is York City and favourite player is Michael Rankine. A member of Junior Reds he attends as many home matches as possible. Went to watch York City at Wembley in the play-off final and against Bolton recently at The Reebok Stadium. A keen footballer, he plays for Wigginton Grasshoppers under 7s

and CFD. Has
attended many
York City Football
in the Community
courses. He also
loves playing
cricket, tennis and
is a good swimmer
recently
completing his
silver.