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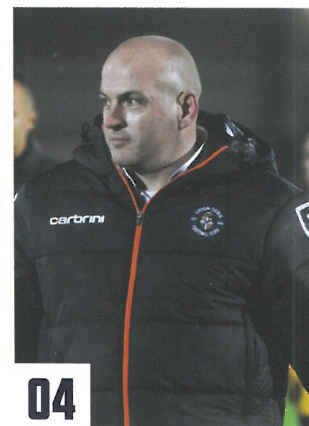
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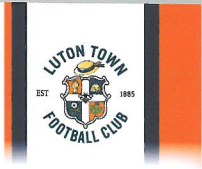
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BRABS

Welcome back once more to Kenilworth Road to another important match in our season.

A big welcome to our friends from Bath City, Adie Britton and his staff plus the directors, players and supporters of this afternoon's visitors.

Adie has done a terrific job in charge at Twerton Park. Having guided them to two promotions and back into this league their 10th place finish was a testament to the work undertaken there.

This season, their second back at this level, has proved to be tough going as their place in the table shows. However, Adie is a top manager and if there's one man to get Bath out of trouble it's Adie.

We've had scout reports and watched DVDs on their most recent matches and know that Bath are going to make it difficult for us this afternoon, just as they did back in September against us when we were held to a 1-1 draw.

That night I thought we were poor to allow them back into a game we had dominated. It was two points dropped but there was no getting away from the fact that Bath deserved a point that evening.

Bath arrive here in search of their first away win of the season and they will be determined to break their duck here at Kenilworth Road. We know that every team enjoys coming to Kenilworth Road. We also know what opposition love to do most here: to frustrate us and get stop us playing.

I know that Adie has got Bath playing some decent football so here's hoping to an open game. However, as I often say, it's what we do that concerns me most. I know that we can win the majority of football matches we play if we play to the best of our ability.

That's precisely what happened last Saturday when we beat Gateshead here to progress to the semi-finals of the FA Trophy.

Gateshead had beaten York 2-1 at Bootham Crescent just days before. We had, meanwhile, just come off the back of a disappointing result at Barrow.

To bounce back and put in a performance like we did against Gateshead was one of the most pleasing of moments of the season. Were hugely disappointing at Barrow and I was angry with the fact we hadn't returned from that long journey with even a point.

The players showed terrific character and stood up to the criticism after the Barrow game to put on an excellent display against a side still harbouring hopes of promotion.

I know Ian Bogie wasn't particularly happy with the way his players performed but I think that our quality and work ethic won through on the day.

It's those kind of results and performances that really give me confidence in the squad that we have here.

The semi-final draw pairs us with York City and it's a game we are all looking forward to. I'm expecting two pulsating games I hope you are able to join us at both, especially in the second leg here at Kenilworth Road in a fortnight's time.

Until then (and indeed the first leg), we have today's game and two tough away league matches at Wrexham and Darlington in our quest for promotion. We need to cement our place in the top five and keep winning if we're to catch the top two. If they slip up it's imperative that we take advantage.

Finally I'd like to congratulate Adam Watkins and Jake Howells on their international exploits for England C and Wales Under-21s respectively in the week. Both are home-grown players who have come through the youth system and are maturing into fine professional footballers.

Enjoy the game and get behind us.



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FROM THE BOARDROOM

WITH ASSOCIATE DIRECTOR MIKE HERRICK



It's a pleasure to welcome all connected with Bath City here today – maybe not with quite the razzamatazz of last year when they played their part in helping us to celebrate the special milestone of our 125th anniversary – but we hope for a similarly upbeat atmosphere all around the ground once more.

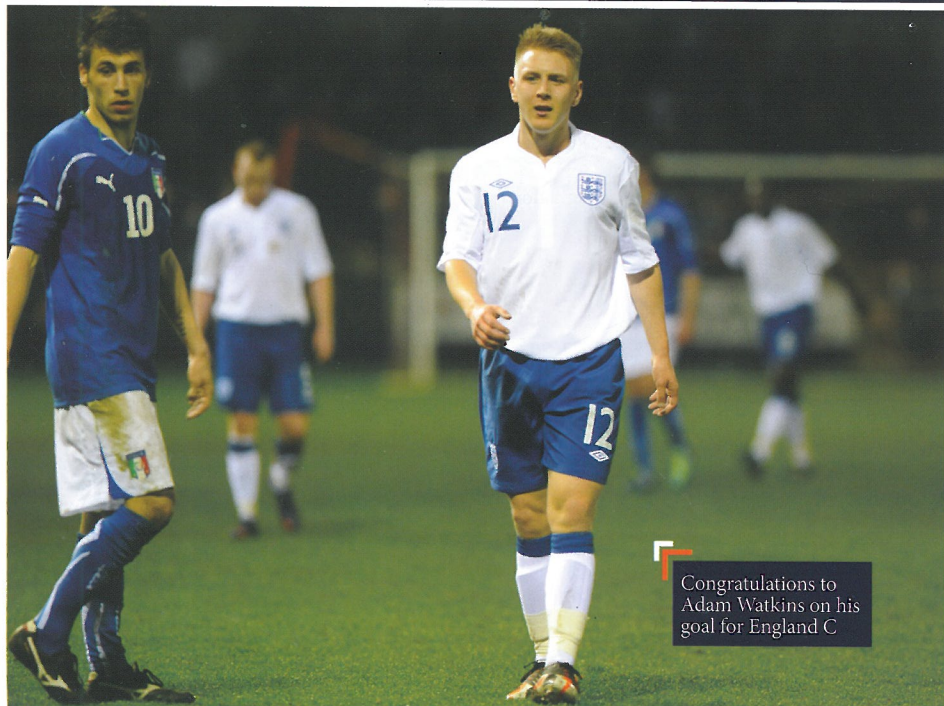
This can only be provided by our supporters - a remarkable band of fans who travel in great numbers from near and far to get to games.

Of particular note today are two groups – one from Scandinavia, who have generously sponsored this match – and another, equally enthusiastic, from Italy. We pay tribute to you and your presence today is acknowledged with our thanks and admiration. Our

fervent wish is that you will take back many happy memories with you, and that you will soon be able to join with us again. We have supporters based all over the world and we are proud that they are all an integral part of our family.

It would be an interesting exercise to try and identify the fan that has travelled the furthest to each particular game. (It would make those who travel only from, say, Birmingham seem like absolute locals.)

Our match last week against Gateshead was, for me, one of the most enjoyable of the season, pitting two teams against one another who concentrated on football to produce an exciting game. It's true that league points were not at stake, but progress in the FA Trophy – particularly if we can reach the final – is an important aim for the club this year. It will not



Congratulations to Adam Watkins on his goal for England C

hinder our overriding aim of promotion but, on the contrary, give us invaluable additional experience to meet head on the challenges that lay in front of us. That match saw a well-deserved debut goal for John Paul Kissock and another spectacular effort from Keith Keane. Keane could never be accused of doing things by halves – whether that be floating a free-kick from considerable distance into the corner (of the goal) or smashing the guttering on the roof of the Oak Road stand.

What a contrast this Gateshead game was with the previous match at Barrow. I suppose that throughout history football matches have always been fiercely contested but the spirit of fair play, good honest competition and any sense of style was completely absent that night. I sincerely hope that we never descend to those levels ourselves.

I'm reminded of Nat Lofthouse, the former Bolton and England centre forward, who remarked: "There have always been plenty of fellers who would kick your b****cks off. The difference was that at the end they'd shake your hand and help you look for them." At Barrow, it was only the last part that was missing.

On a more positive note it was very pleasing this week to see two of our home-grown talents acquit themselves with such distinction on international duty.

On Tuesday, Adam Watkins captured the headlines with a superb last-gasp equaliser for England C against Italy, and the following day, Jake 'boy' Howells was equally influential in Wales Under-21's 4-0 win against Andorra. Our congratulations to you both.

Lets live each game as it comes and lets all take delight in urging ourselves forward.

Bring me sunshine.

Mike



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PILKS

It's hard to believe we're now in March. The business end of the season is now here and it doesn't seem like yesterday that we were reporting for pre-season training back in June.

There's just two months of the season left and, looking at the schedule, we have a lot of football to play following the rearrangements. Our progress in the FA Trophy and the cold weather in the winter months have meant a lot of games need rearranging.

Today is the first of 15 games between now and the scheduled last league game of the season at Fleetwood Town on 28th April. We are in the fortunate position to have a squad good enough and big enough to cope with the rigours of so many games in such a short space of time. As footballers we're also pretty used to it too.

This afternoon we welcome Bath City to Kenilworth Road. I have good memories of playing them here for our anniversary match last season when I was lucky enough to score and captain the team to a 3-1 victory.

A lot has changed since that afternoon and our visitors today arrive in search of their first away victory of the season. That makes them very dangerous opponents. We need to make sure that we are professional and disciplined enough to deal with the threats that they pose.

A good start to a football match is always a great way to banish any anxiety or nerves and can be used as a great platform, especially when breaking teams down who visit Kenilworth Road intent on making us sweat for the points. I am sure Bath will play football the way it's meant to be played, given my personal experience of playing them and, indeed, they need the points too in their bid for survival.

Last Saturday against Gateshead we got that good start by taking the lead in the eighth minute through John Paul Kissock. That set us up really nicely for the remainder of the match and you always know it's

going to be your day when Keith Keane loops a free-kick in from 35-yards out!

It was a thoroughly deserved win. We worked hard for the result and there was a real determination to banish the bad defeat at Barrow from our minds. We know that we let you down by the display that night so it was good to bounce back.

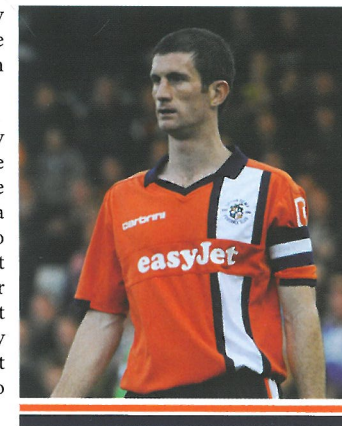
That win puts us in the semis of the Trophy now. I know it's not the priority – there's no getting away from the fact promotion is – but I don't think there is any person associated with this football club that would be against us going all the way in the Trophy and getting to Wembley.

Wouldn't it be great to have a season where we earn a promotion and lift a domestic trophy as well?

There's no getting away from how far we are behind Fleetwood and Wrexham now in the quest for the sole automatic promotion place, and until it's mathematically impossible not to win the title we won't be giving up.

Football's a funny old game, so they say, and you never know, our progress in the Trophy might just turn out to be a blessing in disguise. It will certainly give us a lot to look forward to.

Thank you for your continued support, it really is appreciated. Please back the lads again this afternoon.



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AROUND TOWN

SEMI-FINAL BOUND

The Town's prize for beating Gateshead last Saturday is two-legged semi-final tie with York City in the FA Trophy semi-finals for a place in the final at Wembley in May.

The first leg will take place on Saturday 10th March at Bootham Crescent with the second following a week later on Saturday 17th March at Kenilworth Road. Turn to pages 62 and 63 for ticket details for the semi-final meetings with the Minstermen.

In the other semi-final Newport County face Wealdstone, of the Ryman Premier League.

INTERNATIONAL RECOGNITION



Adam Watkins and Jake Howells both represented the Hatters on the international stage during the week.

Watkins scored a stoppage-time equaliser for England C against Italy on Tuesday night. You can read more about Adam's heroics on pages 38 and 39.

Howells, meanwhile, played a full 90 minutes for the Wales Under-21s in their 4-0 victory over Andorra Under-21s at Wrexham on Wednesday night.

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

A number of the Town's matches in the Blue Square Bet Premier have been found new dates after they required re-arranging.

The game at Forest Green Rovers – originally frozen off in early February – will now take place at the New Lawn on Tuesday 20th March with a 7.45pm.

Our involvement in the FA Trophy has meant the matches at home to Ebbsfleet and away to Gateshead need new dates with the game against the Tynesiders fixed for Tuesday 3rd April (kick-off 7.45pm).

CLUB PARTNERSHIP



Please welcome our club partnership club this afternoon, Dunstable Colts.

The teams at Kenilworth Road this afternoon are the Colts' under-7s, under-12s and under-13. The Colts were formed in 1989 by local football enthusiasts and has offered football for

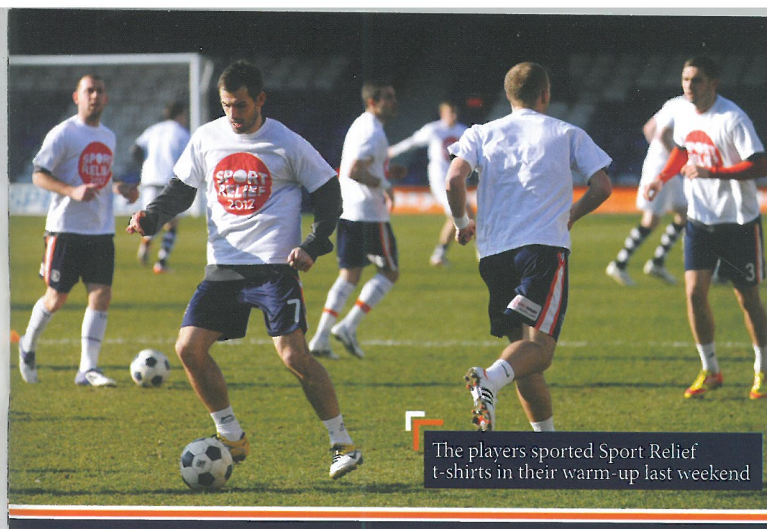
all ages and gender in Dunstable and Houghton Regis ever since.

The club are proud to be a charter standard club. Their new adult team is one of only two charter standard clubs playing in the Leighton Sunday League.

The Colts currently have five teams playing in a mixture of local Leagues namely, the Beds Mini Soccer League, the Chiltern Youth League and the Leighton Sunday League.

MATCHDAY CLUB

We'd also like to welcome King George Vipers Under-11s from Welwyn Garden City to this afternoon's game. The Vipers have been together for the last three seasons and this year they were promoted into the Premier division of the Mid Herts Rural Minor League, a big move for the side as they now play against the strongest teams in the league. They are a determined bunch of boys and are developing their ability of the game that they love so much.



The players sported Sport Relief t-shirts in their warm-up last weekend

SPORT RELIEF MILE

The Sainsbury's Sport Relief Mile is coming to Luton! The town is set to host its first ever Sainsbury's Sport Relief Mile on Sunday 25th March, and needs local people to come together and show their support by entering now at www.sportrelief.com. As one of the UK's biggest fundraising events, Sport Relief brings the entire nation together to get active, raise cash and change lives – so it's time to dust off those trainers and enter right now.

Setting off from Stockwood Park the Luton Mile will run round the picturesque park before finishing in Active Luton's Athletics Centre and is set to be an incredible event. Entrants don't have to be sporty to take part, but can choose to complete 1, 3 or 6 miles knowing that all the money raised will help to change the lives of people living unimaginably tough lives right here on our doorstep, across the rest of the UK and in some of the world's poorest countries.

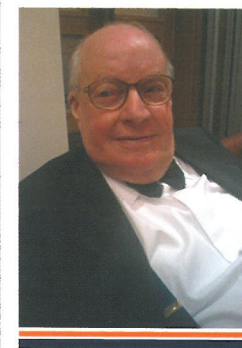
The Sport Relief Weekend kicks off on Friday 23rd March when everyone gets active, has fun and raises cash at home, at work or at school; before settling down to watch a night of top Sport Relief TV on BBC One. There will be even more BBC radio, online and TV coverage throughout the weekend to keep you entertained. By the end of the weekend everyone will be raring to go, when the whole nation comes together to take part in the Sainsbury's Sport Relief Mile on Sunday 25th March.

For more information and to enter the Luton event visit www.sportrelief.com.

INTERNATIONAL VISITORS

Not only do we welcome our Scandinavian friends to Kenilworth Road who are match sponsors this afternoon, but a group of Italian supporters. Making their second visit to Kenilworth Road, six of them will be sitting in block F of the Main Stand to cheer on the Town. *Bienvenuto!*

GET WELL SOON CECIL



Everyone at Luton Town would like to send their best wishes to long-standing Town supporter Cecil Jeffs.

Cecil has been a season ticket holder for many years and has followed the Hatters for over 60 years. We hope this mention brings a smile to you and your family's faces.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY MAURICE!

Belated birthday wishes to ardent Town support Maurice Dawson who turned 75 on 22nd February.

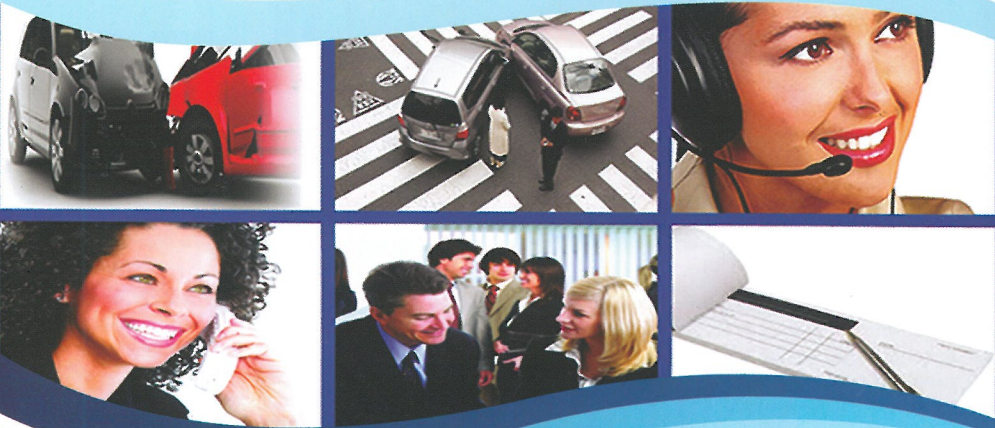
A supporter for over 60 years Maurice was there for the Hatters' FA Cup final defeat in 1959 and of course in 1988 when we lifted the Littlewoods Cup. Maurice also managed an appearance on the old plastic pitch when turning out for Lea Sports.



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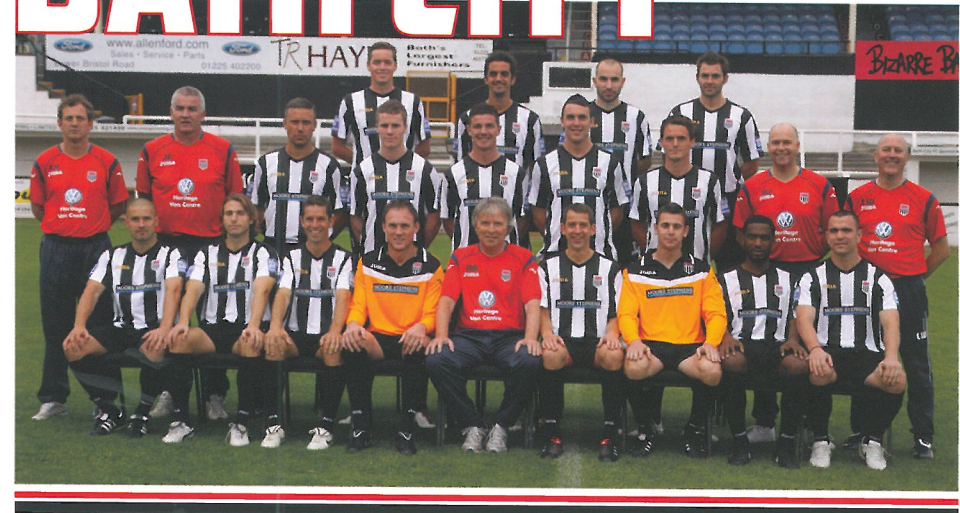
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WELCOME

BATH CITY



It's fair to say that this season has been tough on Bath City. The Romans visit Kenilworth Road this afternoon rooted to the foot of the Blue Square Bet Premier and 10 points from safety.

Manager Adie Britton has done a sterling job at Twerton Park having guided the club to a 10th place finish in non-league's top flight last term.

Hopes were high of another mid-table finish this time round but instead the Romans now face a huge task if they are to avoid dropping back down into the Blue Square Bet South. It didn't help their cause by going the first 13 matches without a victory, with their first win of the campaign coming on 8th October against Darlington.

Only two more victories have followed and Britton's side arrive in Bedfordshire today having lost their last seven league games. However, as the Bath boss says, defeats have mostly come by the odd goal. In fact of those seven defeats five have come by the odd goal.

It's away from Twerton Park that the Romans have struggled the most. The Romans have yet to taste victory on the road in the league all season and those

supporters in the Oak Road end will be hoping it's 17th time lucky on their travels this afternoon.

Despite their disappointing season, one of the Romans' high points this term has been the 1-1 against the Hatters back in September. A man down and an Amari Morgan-Smith goal down at Twerton Park, the hosts rallied and earned a deserved point against a below-par Town with a second half equaliser through Lee Phillips.

A 1-1 draw was also achieved at Cambridge in November - one of five points won on the road this season.

Bath's last visit to Kenilworth Road came in October 2010 when the Hatters were celebrating their 125th anniversary. Goals from Danny Crow, Taiwo Atieno and George Pilkington put the Town 3-0 up at the break before Phillips notched a consolation in the second half in front of 7,003.

The Romans' second half display that afternoon was the catalyst for a successive second half of the season and Britton and co. will be hoping a good performance this afternoon can be the springboard in their fight for survival.



THE VISITORS

□ HISTORY

Bath City were formed in 1889 and played at the Belvoir Ground in East Twerton until the First World War, they moved to Lambridge before returning to their roots in Twerton in 1932. Originally the club played in local football competitions, then joined the Western League in 1908, progressing to the Southern League in 1921. City played in the Western section of the Southern League, which they won in 1929/30 and 1932/33.

During the Second World War City played in a number of unofficial competitions and became the only semi-professional side to win a Football League trophy, the Second Division Northern Section Championship. After the war the Club were obliged to revert back to the Southern League.

Post-war the Club won the Southern League championship in 1959/60 and again in 1977/78. In the first championship-winning season, in 1960, the Club played Brighton in the FA Cup when a record 18,020 attended Twerton Park.

In 1979 the Club became founder members of the Alliance Premier League, now the Football Conference, and remained there until 1986/87. Relegated in that season they bounced back two years later. Bath continued in the Conference until being relegated in the 1996/97 season.

In 1997, faced with mounting debts, the Club's major shareholder negotiated for the Independent Supporters Association to take over the running of the Club. In 2002, the Supporters Society was set up with the help of Supporters Direct and in one year raised nearly £250,000 from Trust members and private shareholders to buy back the club and regain control from the majority shareholder.

Former City player and Wales international, Paul Bodin, managed the club for three seasons before making way for Alan Pridham in 2001. The club

narrowly avoided relegation in the 2001/02 season and improved to 14th place in 2002/03. After a poor start to 2003/04, Pridham was replaced by Gary Owers who guided City to sixth place in 2004/05, but that season's highlight was reaching the second round of the FA Cup.

John Relish took over as manager in 2005 and after coming second in 2006, City emphatically won the Southern League title in 2007 to earn promotion to the Conference South. Relish left in 2008 with his assistant, Adie Britton, taking over. After successive eighth place finishes, City secured promotion back to the Conference National after winning the Play-Off final at Twerton Park against Woking.

□ MEET THE MANAGER

Adie Britton

Adie arrived at City in July 2005 as assistant to new manager John Relish. It was a role he had carried out at Merthyr Tydfil the previous season, helping take the Welsh club to a Play-Off place but resigned along with Relish following their penalty shoot-out defeat against Hednesford Town.

He joined the Martyrs in 2003 and mainly spent the first season scouting on opposition teams and transfer targets. However, when Relish took over the manager's hot-seat he became his assistant. After a long playing career Adie moved into management with Backwell United and Welton Rovers, and has also been assistant at Cinderford Town and Swindon Supermarine.

In April 2007 he became one half of City's first title-winning managerial duo for 29 years. In October 2008 he was promoted to the managerial hot-seat where he matched his predecessor by guiding City to an 8th place finish in the Blue Square South. Then in his first full season in charge he led the club back to the highest level of non-league football, after a 13-year absence, via the Play-Offs.



IN OPPOSITION

BRITTON'S HOPES FOR SURVIVAL

Bath boss Adie Britton has vowed that his side will continue to fight against the drop despite another home defeat last Saturday.

The Romans went down 2-1 to Kidderminster Harriers at Twerton Park, their second successive reverse on home soil in the space of four days.

And Britton hinted that the competitiveness of Blue Square Bet Premier – and the fact his side remain part-time – have been two reasons for his side's season of struggle.

"We got away with being part-time last year, but clearly we haven't got away with it this year," he said. "Look at last four games: we've lost by an odd goal. The difference is a bit of organisation and that extra sharpness. Had we been full-time we probably get results out of those games.

"With 13 or 14 ex-League sides in there getting gates of two, three, four thousand plus and us getting six, seven, eight hundred it's always going to be difficult.

"It's been a difficult season and we're at a difficult juncture in it now. In this situation there are two things you can do. You can either lay down and give up or continue to fight. We'll be fighting on and we'll continue to try and improve.

"We're not falling apart. For me, a side that's falling apart is one that has no hope and can't pass: and we're not showing signs of side that falling apart. We are lot better than sides that have stayed up in the past in this division, I honestly believe that. We're just lacking bit quality in both boxes and that's been the case throughout the whole season. We lost the game to Hayes & Yeading due to one poor mistake."

With the Romans 10 points from safety the pressure is on Britton's side to start winning if they're to avoid relegation.



Bath boss Adie Britton

"I've been here seven years and I don't think that there hasn't been pressure in any game – there's been pressure in every game every season since I've been here," the Bath manager added.

"Last season we could only relax when we knew we had stayed up, this season's been tough and we've lost so many games by the odd goal.

"We're used to pressure games here, and I'll keep getting the lads up for the remaining games and see where we go. In truth we are potentially a relegation side in this league but we are a top two or three side on the Blue Square Bet South.

"Whatever happens at the end of the season we will want to keep at least nine or 10 of this squad together."



IN TOWN

GOALKEEPER

Jason Matthews

Veteran keeper Jason joined City in the summer. Vastly experienced, he has played most of his football for Weymouth and Eastleigh but has also represented Welton Rovers, Paulton Rovers, Mangotsfield United, Salisbury City, Nuneaton Borough, Exeter City, Aberystwyth Town and Clevedon Town.

DEFENDERS

Gethin Jones

Gethin began his career at Cardiff City. He had two successful seasons with Merthyr Tydfil before joining the Romans in June 2005. Been a consistent performer either in central defence or at right back and has now featured over 250 times.

Paul Stonehouse

Paul started his career with Forest Green Rovers and spent last season with Mansfield Town. Despite being only 23, has considerable experience at this level.

Sekani Simpson



Sekani joined City in October 2006 having been released by Weston-Super-Mare. He spent the 2005-06 season with Forest Green Rovers having been with

Bristol City as a youngster. Has played well over 200 times for the club.

MIDFIELDERS

Joined City just before the start of the season. Experienced at this level having represented Forest Green Rovers and Mansfield Town



MIDFIELDERS

Joe Burnell

Began his career with Bristol City making over 150 appearances. Joined Wycombe Wanderers in 2004 for two years before moving to Northampton Town. Had short spells with Oxford United and Exeter City and signed for City in October 2010 and proved a key player in City's first

season back in Conference National.

Lewis Hogg

Started his career with Bristol Rovers but having made nearly 100 appearances by the age of 20 was released



and joined Barnet. A short spell there was followed by three seasons at Weston-Super-Mare before joining City in July 2006. Has played just under 200 times for City and is a regular scorer. Missed most of last season through injury.

Adam Connolly

Joined City in September 2008 having spent most of his career with Cheltenham Town. Also had a brief spell with Hednesford Town. Skilful and consistent midfielder who is approaching 150 appearances.

Tommy Doherty

Vastly experienced Northern Ireland international. Started his career with hometown club Bristol City and made over 200 appearances for the Robins. He then moved to QPR but only made 15 league appearances in three years but did enjoy loan spells with Yeovil Town and Wycombe Wanderers. Tommy joined Wycombe permanently in 2008 before going on to play for Ferencvárosi of Hungary, Bradford City and Newport County. Signed for City in February 2012.

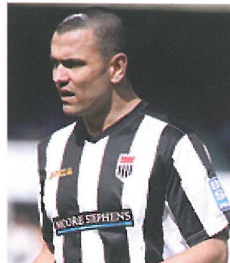
Scott Murray

Scott made his name with Bristol City, making over 400 appearances for the Robins in two spells. Had started out in non-league Scottish football with Fraserburgh before Aston Villa signed him in 1994. He has also played for Reading, Cheltenham Town and Yeovil Town and joined City in August 2010.

Chris Shephard

Chris has joined for a month from Exeter City where he has featured regularly in the first team this season. Has also played on loan at Salisbury City.

STRIKERS



Lee Phillips

Lee joined City in July 2010. He started his career with Plymouth Argyle making over 50 appearances. A broken leg hampered his progress but having joined Weymouth in 2001 he showed his

true potential averaging a goal every other game. A successful loan spell at Newport County followed and he eventually joined Exeter City in 2004 and has subsequently had spells with Torquay United, Rushden and Diamonds, Weymouth and Cambridge United.

Marley Watkins

Marley started out with Swansea City but was released at the age of 17 and joined Cheltenham Town. Marley made 25 appearances for the Robins but with first team opportunities limited, he joined City on loan in September 2010 before signing permanently in January 2011.

Jamie Cook

Much travelled striker who signed for City in July



2011. Started his career with hometown club, Oxford United, before enjoying spells with Boston United and Stevenage. Jamie first played for City in 2004 enjoying a successful loan spell, before dropping down a few levels to play for Witney United for two years. Reignited his love of the game, firstly at Rushden & Diamonds and subsequently in two spells with Crawley Town and a second spell with Oxford United.

Sean Canham

Sean is currently on loan from Hereford United. Made a name for himself at former Twerton Park tenants Team Bath and went on to sign for Notts County. Signed for Hereford United last season and also had a loan spell at Kidderminster Harriers.





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CLASSIC CAMPAIGN

1977/78

Brian Godfrey managed Bath City to the Southern League title in 1977/78. The Romans kicked off with a 3-1 victory at home to Worcester City and remained unbeaten in their first 29 Southern League games, also taking Plymouth Argyle to an FA Cup first round replay. Andy Provan scored four times in a 7-2 victory at title rivals Weymouth, then Jimmy Jenkins grabbed a hat-trick in a 6-0 win at Cheltenham Town. Kenny Allen, Nigel Ryan and George Gibbs were ever-present as Bath lost just two of their 42 Southern League games and won the title by four points.

MANAGING TO SUCCEED

Malcolm Allison

Malcolm Allison was manager when Bath took top-flight Bolton Wanderers to an FA Cup third round replay in 1963/64. A former centre-half with Charlton, West Ham and Romford, he managed Bath from April 1963 until May 1964. He guided Plymouth Argyle to the League Cup semi-finals in 1964/65, then formed a partnership with Joe Mercer as Manchester City won all three major domestic honours and the European Cup Winners' Cup in 1970. Big Mal managed Crystal Palace and rejoined Plymouth in 1978, then had spells in charge of Palace again, Sporting Lisbon, Middlesbrough, and Bristol Rovers.

FAB FOUR

Tony Book

Long-serving right-back Tony Book featured in a classic 'rags to riches' rise. Born locally, he scored for Bath in the 1959 Southern League Cup final and his partnership with Ian MacFarlane was an important factor as they won the Southern League championship in 1959/60. He also starred as Bath twice reached the FA Cup third round and followed Big Mal to Plymouth Argyle in 1964, then Manchester City in 1966. Captaining them to the League Championship in 1968 as well as FA Cup, European Cup Winners' Cup and League Cup success, he gave Manchester City lengthy service as manager and coach.

Paul Bodin

Welsh international defender Paul Bodin had two spells at Bath City. A former Chelsea junior, he had spells with Newport County and Cardiff City before moving to Twerton Park in July 1985. He was twice leading marksman and netted 53 goals in 142 games for Bath prior to rejoining Newport in January 1988. Moving to Swindon Town two months later, he was sold to Crystal Palace for £550,000 in March 1991 and returned to Swindon in January 1992. He helped them reach the Premiership in 1992/93 and win the Second Division title in 1995/96, then had a spell with Reading before returning to Bath as player-boss.

Alan Skirton

Brilliant winger Alan Skirton featured in Bath City's 1959/60 Southern League title campaign. Born locally, he developed with West Twerton and helped Bristol City reach the FA Youth Cup semi-finals before moving to Bath in July 1956. He netted 38 goals in 96 games prior to joining Arsenal in January 1959 and was top scorer in 1961/62, reuniting with Stan Mortensen at Blackpool in September 1966. Joining Bristol City in November 1968, he scored in the 1970/71 League Cup semi-final and later played for Torquay United, Durban City, Weymouth and Bath again, then was Yeovil's commercial manager.

Stan Mortensen

Ex-England international centre-forward Stan Mortensen starred as Bath City were Southern League Cup finalists in 1958/59. Signing professional for Blackpool in May 1938, he played for Bath in wartime football and featured in three FA Cup finals, scoring a hat-trick in Blackpool's 1953 Wembley success. He joined Hull City in November 1955 and had a spell with Southport before moving to Twerton Park in July 1958. Netting 24 goals in 43 games for Bath, he then played for Lancaster City and returned to Blackpool as manager between February 1967 and April 1969. He resided in Blackpool until his death in May 1991.



COMMERCIAL BREAK

WITH DAVID HOSKINS

A warm welcome to our corporate guests and sponsors this afternoon match with Bath City, who are our visitors on our special anniversary match last season.

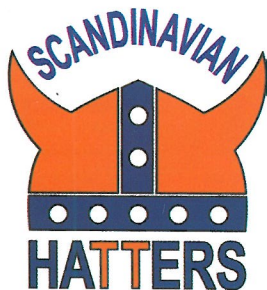
We're now entering the exciting business end of the season where we have the prospect of planning for the Play-Offs and, following last Saturday's win, a two-legged semi-final tie in the FA Trophy.

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We're also pleased to reveal details of our end-of-season dinner. The evening takes place on 9th May and our special guest speaker is none other than Paul Walsh. Tickets are now on sale at the price of £40 and further details can be found on our official website.

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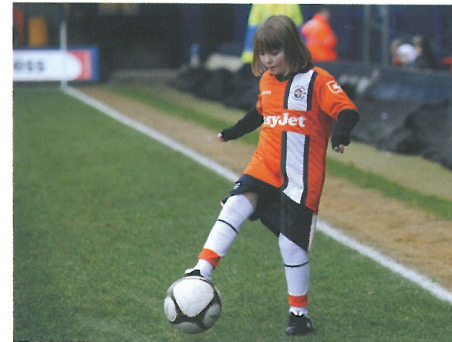
Please give a warm welcome to our commercial mascot this afternoon who is nine-year-old Joe Kitley from Royston.



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Joe will get to meet JP before the match before leading the team out onto the pitch.

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LOOK BACK



**TOWN 2-0 GATESHEAD
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Town boss Gary Brabin was delighted with the way his side bounced back from their midweek reverse at Barrow to book their place in the semi-finals of the FA Trophy with a 2-0 win over Gateshead.

Goals from John Paul Kissock and Keith Keane ensured the Hatters will face York City in the last four of the competition and, after the disappointment of the defeat at Barrow the Tuesday before, the manager was in high spirits.

"It was nice to bounce back," he told Hatters Player afterwards. "We were all hugely frustrated by the defeat at Barrow but today I was delighted with the performance and the result.

"We were determined to put the Barrow game to rest and with the chance to play at Wembley in the back of the players' minds it did help.

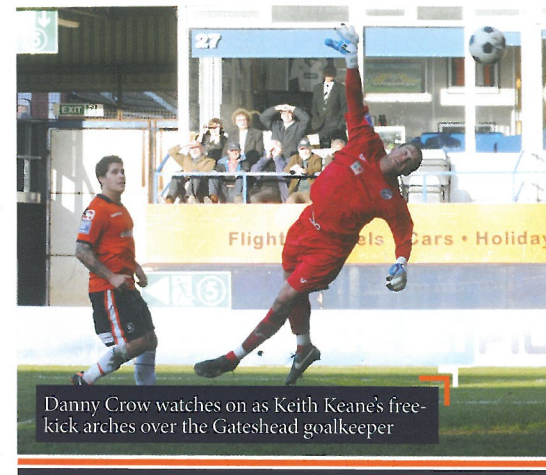
"Gateshead came here in fine form after a good result in midweek and I'm glad we've been able to progress a bit further in this competition.

"At the end of the day you can't knock a chance at playing at Wembley. A lot of people don't think so much of the early rounds, and yes, the schedule does affect your fixtures, but we just want to win football matches.

"We're in the semi-finals now and hopefully we can go one step further than last year and reach the final."

Kissock's opener put the Town ahead in the eighth minute with a fine volley and the boss was full of praise for the midfielder.

"I'm delighted for JP," Brabin said. "He's been getting frustrated that he hasn't scored but he always works his socks off. He's still learning.



Danny Crow watches on as Keith Keane's free-kick arches over the Gateshead goalkeeper

"It was important we got the first goal and for the first 20 minutes I thought we were excellent. We took our foot off the pedal after that, but could have scored a couple of goals before half-time which would have made it more comfortable.

"At half-time I told the players we can't lower our standards. Gateshead came back at us and it was a tight, tense affair before we scored the second goal but to be fair to Gateshead they never gave up and continued to throw everything at us."

And Brabin also hailed the performance of Keane, who scored his first goal in Town colours for almost two years.

"Keith deserved his goal," Brabin said. "That's the kind of performance we expect from him and that's why everyone loves him here. What we need now is performances from Keith like that between now and the end of the season."



TOWN

Kissock 8, Keane 59



GATESHEAD

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TOWN: Tyler, Taylor, Blackett, Pilkington, Asafu-Adjaye, Keane, Lawless, Kissock (sub Henry 79), Willmott (sub O'Connor 83), Howells, Crow (sub Fleetwood 82). Subs not used: Watkins, Kidd.

GATESHEAD: Deasy, Rent, Gate (sub Chandler 58), Curtis, Clark, Turnbull, Shaw, Odubade, Cummins (sub Marwood 67), Baxter, O'Brien. Subs not used: Farman, Gillies, Magnay.

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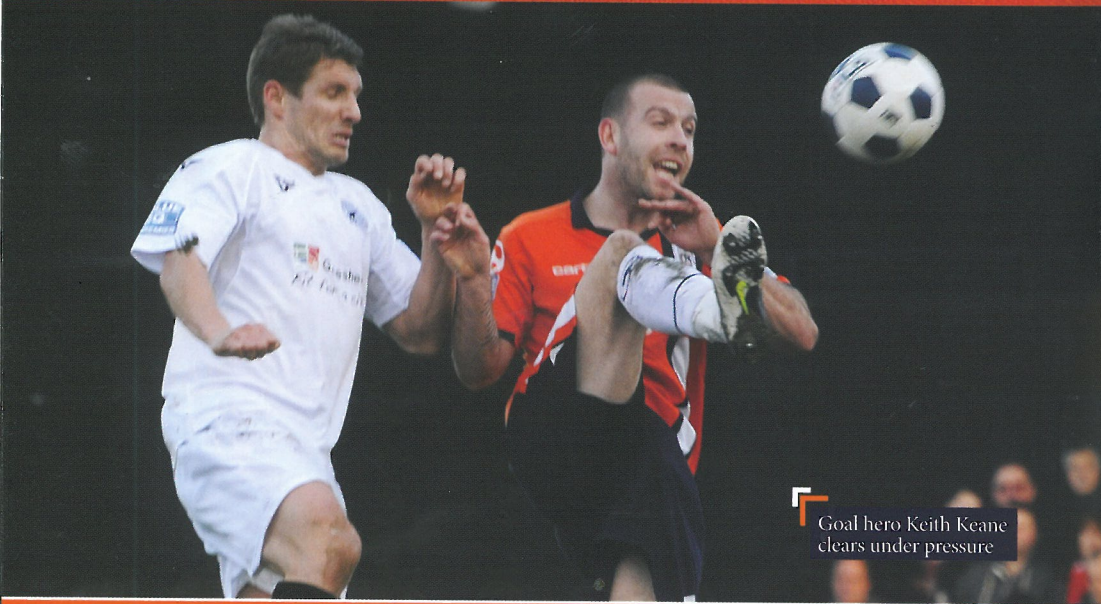
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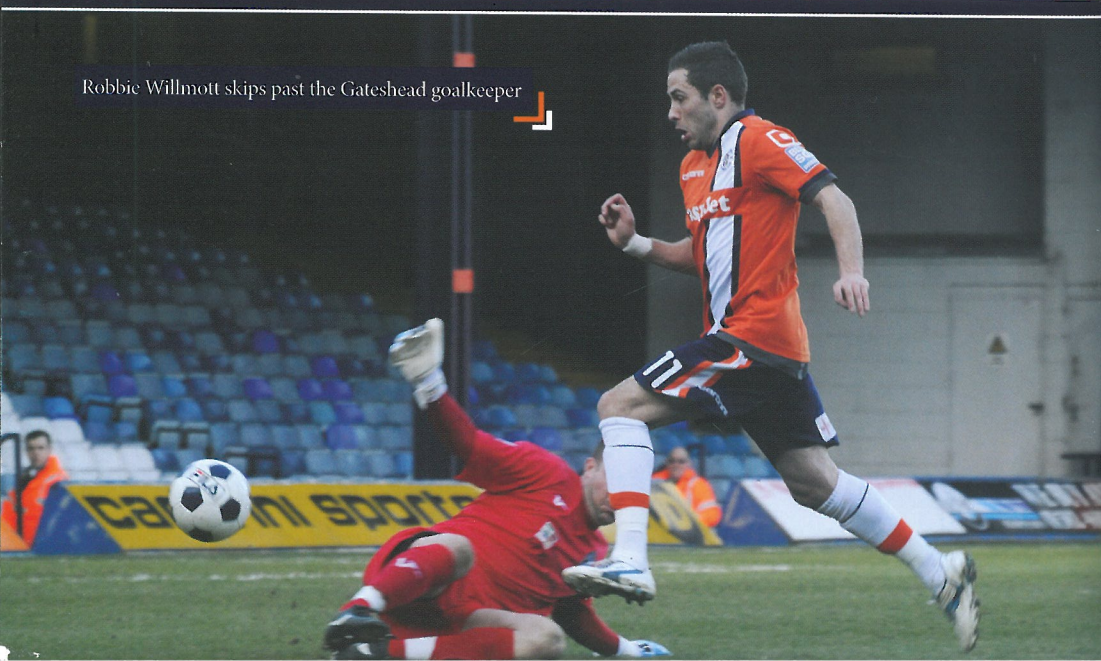
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Goal hero Keith Keane clears under pressure



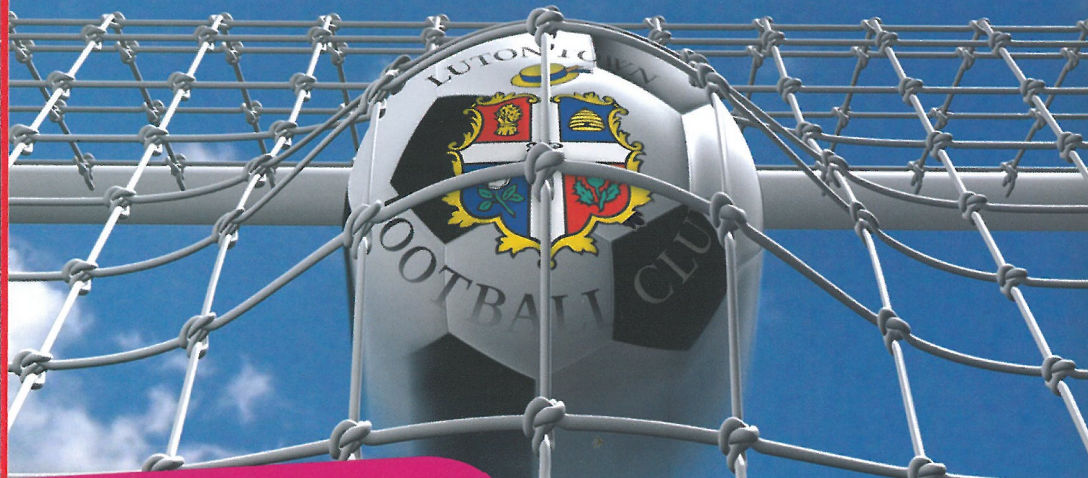
John Paul Kissock in a midfield battle



Robbie Willmott skips past the Gateshead goalkeeper

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His free-kick against Gateshead in last Saturday's FA Trophy quarter-final was his seventh goal in 268 appearances and it was another collectors' item – a 35-yard free-kick that swung in and beat the visiting goalkeeper to double the Town's lead.

Goal of the season awards are already on the mantelpiece of the Town's number four following strikes against West Bromwich Albion in 2007 and Oxford United in 2009.

But while he's happy to chip in (every so often) with a goal, it was the victory that mattered most for the 25-year-old. "The main thing was that we won," Keane told Talk of the Town. "It was a good performance and it's been a while since we've put in that kind of display. We're in the semis now and we're two games from Wembley.

"We were disappointed with the Barrow game where he didn't put in a shift but against Gateshead we put that right. We worked hard individually and as a team and we got our rewards."

His 59th-minute strike against the Tynesiders was reminiscent of a goal he scored deep into injury time direct from a corner against Oxford as his free-kick wide on the left bent in and bamboozled Tim Deasy.

And Keane was quite happy to take the credit for the goal. "Ask any manager, they will always tell you to aim for the back post," he said. "Obviously I'm trying to aim for a team-mate but if you under-hit the ball then there's a chance it can be deflected or, like mine did, it goes straight in.

"I took aim for the back stick and that's where it ended up – it was a good free-kick! A lot of the lads were giving me a lot of banter but it doesn't bother me. I'm not a goalscorer – for me it's just a bonus when I do



Keane's goal against Gateshead was his seventh for the Hatters

score. The most important thing is us winning games, and against Gateshead we did that. But when I do score they do seem to be...alright..."

The Lutonian was switched back into central midfield for the Trophy game having returned to the side in the defeat at Barrow at right-back.

"I've said it before when holes need filling I'm happy to fill in," said Keane. "I want the team to do well and the manager has his reasons for putting me in where he does.

"I do prefer centre midfield to right-back and when I do play centre-mid I'm able to play a role further up the field as the manager likes me to press higher up the pitch so we can win the ball back."

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IT STARTED WITH A **KISS** FIRST GOAL DELIGHTS JP

You could see the joy and relief on the face of John Paul Kissock after he had broken his duck in the 2-0 win over Gateshead on Saturday.

The 22-year-old's first goal for the club came at the 25th attempt and the midfielder, signed from Southport in August, was delighted to hit the target against the Tynesiders.

"Scoring goals is normally a big part of my game," the Liverpool-born pocket dynamo said. "It's nice to finally score because I've been criticised for not scoring.

"The manager's been brilliant though, he just said get into the box more and I have been, I gambled and luckily it paid off this time.

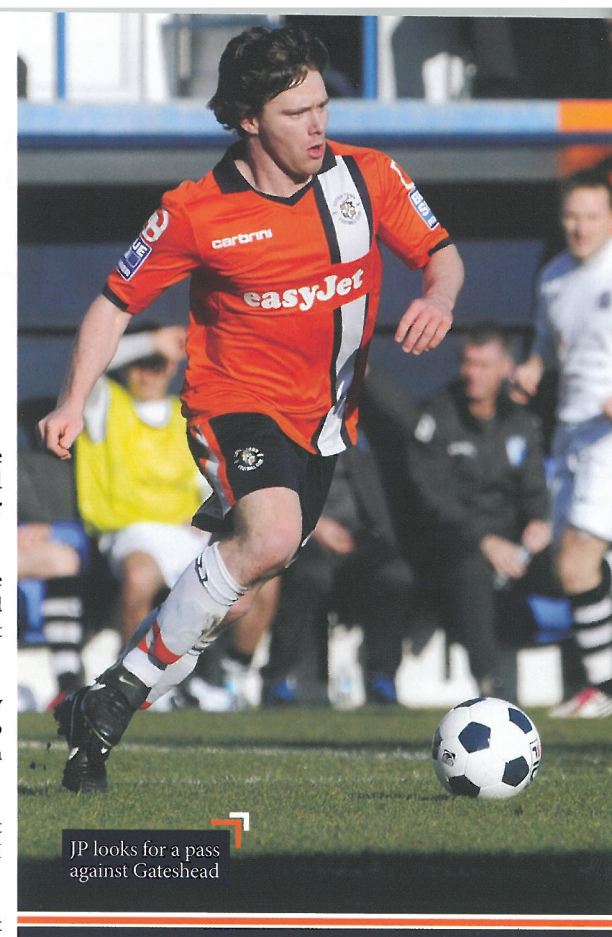
"Alex did really well down the right and cut it back and the ball came behind me. I made a half-decent contact on it, managed to get my foot around it and it's crept it."

The former Everton youngster believes he's learned a lot since joining the Hatters from their promotion rivals.

"There are so many fantastic players here and the competition is great," said Kissock. "The lads, players and supporters have been really good to me and it's such a great challenge to try and get in the team.

"Such is the stature of the club there's big pressure to win and always the pressure to play well because this club is so big and that's what drives you on to do well and succeed."

The win over the Tynesiders earned the Hatters a place in the last four of the FA Trophy and Kissock was pleased the result made up for the disappointment



JP looks for a pass against Gateshead

of losing their 13-match unbeaten run in the Blue Square Bet Premier against Barrow.

"Barrow is such a hard place to go, they've beaten all the top teams there this season," he said. "The reaction against Gateshead was fantastic and we fully deserved to win.

"I've always admired the way Gateshead play. They try and play it the right way but our gameplan worked and we've played really well.

"The win gives us the chance to aim for a Wembley final which would be a great achievement. Everybody's worked really hard to get us this far in the competition and we now find ourselves two games from Wembley.

"Every game we play we go out to win and hopefully now we're in the semi-finals we can push on and reach the final."





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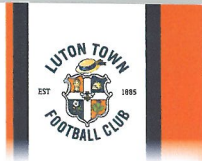
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LIVE ONLINE



Hatters Player subscribers have had plenty to sit back and watch since we were last at Kenilworth Road.

The Town marched into the semi-finals of the FA Trophy with a 2-0 win over Gateshead last Saturday with goals from John Paul Kissock and Keith Keane.

The goals were the first each player had scored this season with Kissock's strike his first for the club since joining from Southport.

Kissock revealed to Player that his barren run in front of goal had been beginning to frustrate him but he now hopes it's the first of many.

Meanwhile Keane was all smiles after seeing his speculative free-kick surprise the Gateshead goalkeeper and end up in the top corner.

The scorer of some dramatic goals in his time at Kenilworth Road the Luton-born man said that whenever he scores a goal it seems to be a talking point. Player subscribers also heard from boss Gary Brabin whilst both goals were uploaded within two hours onto Player.

Remember it will be the same once again after this afternoon's game when we'll have video reaction from all concerned from the dressing room.

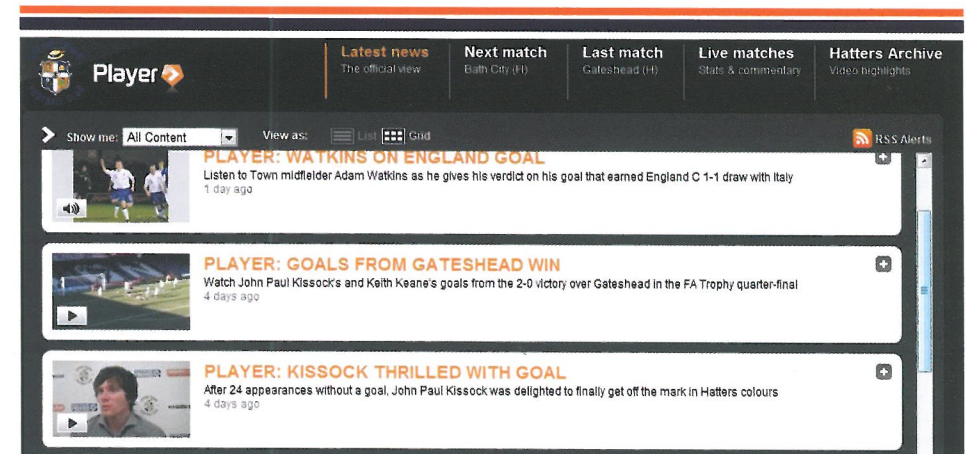
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TOWN FAN THROUGH TO SEMIS OF HIT BBC SHOW



We've all thought about doing it, sitting there and remarking how easy it looks as the questions fly out of quizmaster's mouth on Mastermind, but more often than not the programme finishes and thoughts about appearing on the most famous quiz show on television pass.

But for one Town supporter it became a reality. Step forward Alan Clarke. The 52-year-old, who has been a Town supporter since he was six, had fellow fans on the edge of their sofas when he won his heat to ensure a place in the semi-finals with his knowledge of all things at Kenilworth Road, his specialist subject. With his name taking pride of place on the Hatters' official website and being shared and retweeted throughout the world of social media, Alan's name was all of a sudden on the lips of every Town fan as they settled down to view the hit BBC show eight days ago.

Filming took place in May – weeks after the Town had suffered the heartache of losing to AFC Wimbledon in the Play-Off final. The question-setters clearly showed no mercy on Alan, not only asking about that heartbreaking moment against the Wombles but also getting him to remember – as if we would forget – the amount of points deducted at the start of the 2008/09 season by the football authorities. "My wife tells me I answered that particular question through gritted teeth," says Alan. "I was confident going into the show and when your first question is as easy as 'what trophy did Luton Town lift in 1988 against Arsenal?' it does settle the nerves! I got two wrong which was frustrating obviously because your specialist subject round is so important. I did my revision and made notes of significant results and players' achievements for each season. I thought I might struggle if they asked me specific facts and figures and so it proved on the League 1 question."

Alan now lives in Lincoln having previously lived in Luton. Noting his move to Lincolnshire and his ties

with Bedfordshire, presenter John Humphrys threw in a question about a defeat the Town suffered at Sincil Bank back in 1966 when the Imps lay at the foot of the Football League and the Hatters were one place above them. I'm not sure whether that was sheer coincidence or whether the question setters were trying to catch me out," says Alan as he reminisces about his time backing the Town. "My first game was in 1965 when I went to a game with my granddad but I really started going in 1967 and my favourite memories of all-time are still from that Championship winning team of 1967/68 – I'll never forget that season, we were brilliant. The promotion to Division One in 1973/74 is another great memory because we had made it back to the top division having worked our way up from Division Four – my little old Luton were back amongst the big boys."

The question masters certainly hadn't bargained on Alan's top knowledge on all things Town as his score of 15 points from 17 questions put him in the running for a place in the semi-finals prior to his general knowledge round. But that never fazed the man whose score of 27 points got him over the line and into the semi-finals. "My general knowledge has always been pretty good," continues Alan. "When I was called up by the research assistant, I was asked 10 general knowledge questions and knew I'd definitely got nine right. When I later looked up the question that I was unsure about I realised I'd got all 10! Then I knew I had a chance."

Alan now finds himself in the semi-finals of the show where his specialist subject is on a series of books by author Dudley Pope titled the Ramage Novels. That semi-final has already taken place but, like on all BBC programmes, Alan is sworn to secrecy on his performance with a place in the final at stake. But regardless of his progress, he was just happy to get answer questions on the team he loves...even if a few questions brought back some nasty memories of how the Town now find themselves in non-league football...



Q&A

ALAN'S SPECIALIST SUBJECT ROUND ON THE HATTERS EARNED HIM 15 POINTS. HERE ARE HIS 17 QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS...

- In 1988 Luton Town won which trophy by defeating Arsenal 3-2 at Wembley?
✓ Littlewoods Cup. Correct.
- Which team lost to Luton in FA Cup third round replay on the club's plastic pitch in January '87?
✓ Liverpool. Correct.
- Which manager introduced a new playing formation in the '72/'73 season that involved a lone striker and five floating midfield players?
✓ Harry Haslam. Correct.
- Luton missed out on a return to the Football League after losing to which team in May 2011 in the Conference Play-Off final?
✓ AFC Wimbledon. Correct.
- In 1972 Luton signed which member of Manchester United's '68 European Cup winning team?
✓ John Aston. Correct.
- The collapse of which insurance company in '71 created a financial crisis for Luton as the company's shares had underpinned the debts of the football club?
✓ Vehicle and General. Correct.
- In Luton's last match in the old First Division they lost to which team and missed out on a place in new Premier League which began in the following season?
✓ Notts County. Correct.
- In '69 Luton signed the future England striker Malcolm Macdonald from which club?
✓ Fulham. Correct.
- Who was the chairman of Luton when the introduced the controversial membership scheme which banned away supporters from attending matches at Kenilworth Road?
✓ David Evans. Correct.
- When Luton became Champions of League 1 in 2004/05 season how many league victories did they achieve?
✗ 27. Incorrect.
Correct answer: 29.
- What is the surname of the twin brothers who both signed for Luton from Chester City and both went onto play for Manchester City?
✓ Futch. Correct.
- In late '66 Luton lost to Lincoln City who were then bottom of club in the Football League. What was the score?
✓ 8-1. Correct.
- Which Town's development corporation rejected Luton's plan to relocate there in '85?
✓ Milton Keynes. Correct.
- In '97 which teenage Luton player was signed by Arsenal for an initial fee for £1m in spite of having only made one appearance for the club?
✓ Matthew Upson. Correct.
- What nationality was Danny Bergara, who joined Luton's coaching staff in the late 70s?
✓ Uruguayan. Correct.
- How many points did the Football Association and the Football League deduct from Luton at the start the 2008/09 season?
✓ 30. Correct.
- What's the name of the Luton-born England international who signed for the club from Southampton and played in an FA Cup semi-final against one of his former clubs?
✗ Steve Williams. Incorrect.
Correct answer: Kerry Dixon.

CENTRE SPOT



John Paul Kiscock celebrates his first goal for the club against Gateshead last Saturday

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ENGLAND'S HERO

It doesn't get much better than scoring a last minute equaliser for your country. Just ask Adam Watkins.

The Town's young midfielder came up trumps for the Three Lions in the third minute of stoppage time when his looping volley from outside the box earned England a draw against Italy on Tuesday night.

It was the 20-year-old's first goal for his country in only his second appearance, and naturally Watkins was thrilled.

"It's a great feeling," he said. "I came on with 75 minutes on the clock and tried to get into the game as quickly as possible.

"We'd done a bit of research on their goalkeeper and said he'd got a mistake in him. One of our lads won a header and with the keeper off his line I was able to

keep my eye on the ball and loop in it. It was great to score but it's not about me, it's about the lads. We played really well and deserved a draw."

Watkins joined a flowing game with a quarter-of-an-hour left and took advantage as Italian keeper Alberto Brignoli was drawn off his line. The 20-year-old drove in a shot from near the edge of the penalty area to give England a result that their efforts deserved.

The early stages were played at pace with Junior Brown, short of match practice, particularly catching the eye on England's left. Italy's Fabio Meduki hit the post from long range after 15 minutes, triggering an exciting passage of play during which both sides had opportunities to take the lead as the action switched from end to end in exhilarating style. Italian keeper, Brignoli, had to be alert to deny Rose a goal on his home turf.

Adam waits patiently for his chance on the substitutes' bench



Matty Blair and Michael Coulson's strong running was a feature of the first half hour and the pair combined after 27 minutes with Grimsby Town's Coulson just failing to capitalise. As the teams left the pitch to generous applause at half-time it was surprising that neither side had broken the deadlock.

But it took just three second half minutes for the visitors to take the lead and, befitting such an open game, it was a spectacular goal that put Italy in front.

The ball came left to Federico Anguilli who struck a spinning left foot shot off the outside of the boot past Tamworth goalkeeper Jonathan Hedge.

England came back strongly with some quick interplay and Scott Spencer's flick went agonisingly close to the upright on 55 minutes.

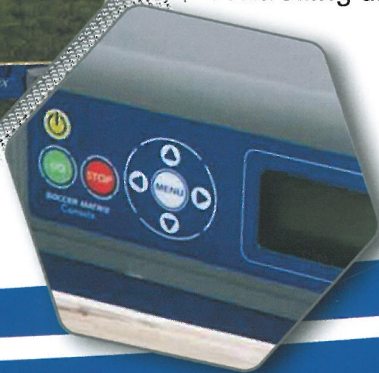
Fleetwood's Danny Rose was replaced by York's Ashley Chambers after 69 minutes, one of four changes made by England manager Paul Fairclough in the second half.

England continued to press for the equaliser as the second half wore on. Barrow's Adam Boyes had a shot deflected for a corner with six minutes left and, just as it looked as if England's work-rate was not to be rewarded, Watkins struck with a dramatic late equaliser as Brignoli left his goal.

Watkins celebrates his late equaliser



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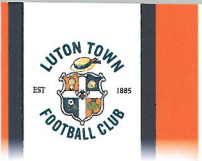
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NAME: Adrian Cracknell

AGE: 50

WHERE DO YOU WATCH THE GAME:
Kenilworth Road Upper

FIRST GAME:
Bolton Wanderers at home in 1970.

FIRST MEMORY:
The big crowds of the early 1970s and as a young boy having to stand on a box to see the game.

BEST GOAL SEEN:
Brian Stein arrowing in an equaliser against Barnsley when we won Division Two in 1981/82.

BEST MATCH WITNESSED:
The 1994 FA Cup quarter-final victory over West Ham at Kenilworth Road.

BEST INDIVIDUAL PERFORMANCE SEEN BY A PLAYER: Malcolm McDonald

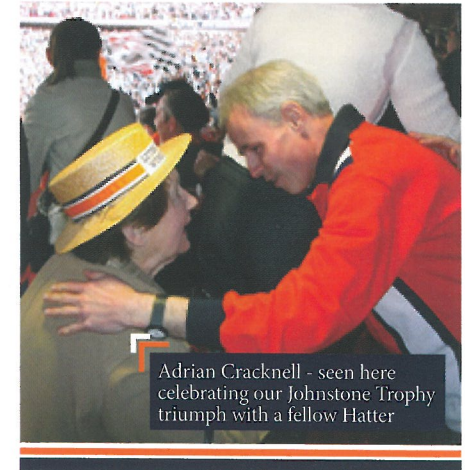
FAVOURITE ALL-TIME PLAYER: Ricky Hill

FAVOURITE ALL-TIME MANAGER: David Pleat.

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Milija Aleksic, Kevin Foley, Steve Foster, Mal Donaghy, Matthew Taylor, Ricky Hill, Peter Anderson, David Preece, Malcolm McDonald, Mick Harford, Brian Stein.

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Adrian Cracknell - seen here celebrating our Johnstone Trophy triumph with a fellow Hatter



PICTURE THE PAST

WITH CLUB HISTORIAN ROGER WASH

An evocative view of Kenilworth Road taken in the late 1960's



For supporters of a certain age this photograph brings back floods of memories of how it used to be.

Whether standing on the Kenilworth Road terrace, which it was reckoned could hold over 16,000 supporters in comfort when extended in 1937, or as part of the Oak Road 'choir' at the far end, this was our Wembley, Nou Camp and Maracana rolled into one.

Who remembers standing in the Bobbers Stand (on the right) where opposition wingers and nervous linesmen (as they were called then) were given fearful stick by supporters standing only three feet away? Some wingers, reduced to quivering wrecks by the banter, were seen to move inside after about five

minutes thus ruining their team's carefully thought out game plan – which was the object of the exercise!

The photo must have been taken fairly early in the season as the pitch looks to be in fairly good condition. In those days the far end of the pitch, in particular, was a muddy morass from about October onwards given that there was slope from the nearside left hand corner down to the Oak Road/Bobbers corner.

It is said that if you were to lie down on the pitch (if that took your fancy) at the Oak Road/Bobbers corner you could not see the top of the diagonally opposite corner flag. Sadly, the slope disappeared when the artificial surface was laid in 1985.

THE CAMERA

NEVER LIES

BY CLUB HISTORIAN ROGER WASH

The picture illustrates how an away goal affects a home crowd with the Molineux faithful sitting motionless and glum faced hardly believing that the future champions could have gone a goal down to the mid-table Hatters.

It was to get worse for them when Dixie Deans doubled the score and, although Wolves pulled a goal back, the Town ended up thoroughly deserving winners.



Jimmy Husband turns away arm raised after scoring at Wolves in a Division Two (now Championship) clash in September 1976

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Michael Sup

➤ Football studies student

Currently in his first year, Michael has landed a position with Luton Town as head coach for under-12's.



LEAGUE LOOK

MARK YOUNG LOOKS BACK ON LAST WEEKEND'S ACTION

Whilst the Hatters were edging closer to Wembley last weekend, there were still eight matches in the Blue Square Bet Premier.

Fleetwood Town tightened their grip at the top of the table after a comfortable 4-0 victory against Alfreton Town. Gareth Seddon netted a double in between a Nathan Pond opener and a Dan Lowson own goal to make it four.

The Fisherman took full advantage of the dropped points by Wrexham who suffered a 1-0 defeat at the hands of Stockport County. The 10 men of Wrexham were one-down within half-an-hour through a Joslain Mayebi own goal.

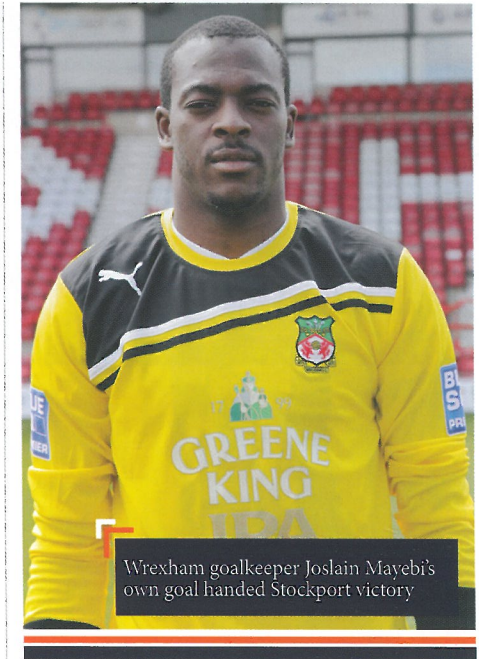
Their misery was compounded when Jay Harris was sent off early in the second half and with Fleetwood winning, they now sit five points off the summit.

Southport bagged an away victory away at Ebbsfleet after going 1-0 down to a Gozie Ugwu goal but Liam Watson's side rallied and with two penalties, with the winner coming a minute from time.

Kidderminster moved level on points with York City and just outside the Play-Off zone with a victory at today's visitors Bath City. Jack Byrne bagged two goals for the Harriers but there were a few nervy moments when Sean Canham netted with two minutes left. Nothing came of Bath's late rally and Kidderminster recorded a 2-1 success.

Mansfield are another team who are pushing for a play-off spot following a 2-1 victory at home to Tamworth. Jean-Paul Marna put Tamworth ahead but Adam Smith and Matt Green turned the score around to edge a very good three points.

Forest Green Rovers held on to a point following a 1-1 draw against Barrow after having a man sent off.



Wrexham goalkeeper Joslain Mayebi's own goal handed Stockport victory

Rovers took the lead after three minutes but conceded just before half-time.

Braintree continue to sit comfortably in mid-table; Ben Wright and Sean Marks scored in a 2-1 victory over Kettering who did get on the score sheet from Djoumin Sangare.

Another draw at the weekend was at Sincil Bank between Lincoln City and AFC Telford. The two goals were scored within six minutes of each other: Kyle Perry opened the scoring for Telford but a Chris Blackburn own goal restored parity.

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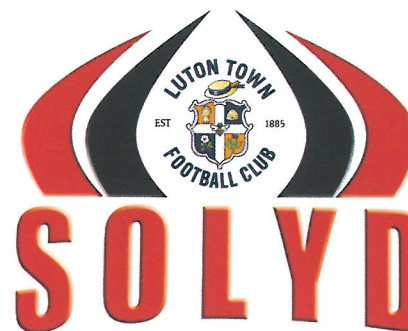
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TOTESPORT.COM COMBINATION 2011/12 NORTHERN SECTION

SEPTEMBER

TUE 6 SOUTHEND UNITED W 1-0

NOVEMBER

TUE 8 STEVENAGE D 1-1

TUES 22 STEVENAGE W 4-1

FEBRUARY

WED 29 OXFORD UNITED D 3-3

MARCH

WED 28 OXFORD UNITED H 2PM

APRIL

WED 4 SOUTHEND UNITED H 2PM

TBA:

COLCHESTER UNITED H
COLCHESTER UNITED A

Home games to be played at Kenilworth Road

MATCH DIGEST

FIXTURE Oxford United (a)

COMPETITION Combination

RESULT 3-3

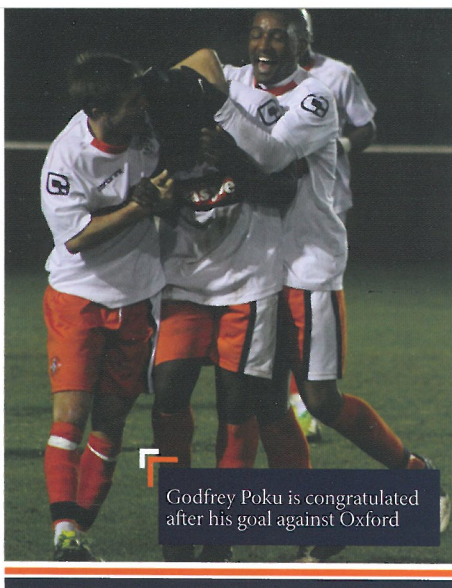
GOALSCORERS Bogle, O'Donnell, Poku

TEAM

Kidd, Asafu-Adjaye, Stephens, Blackett, O'Donnell, Poku, Boucaud, O'Keefe, McAllister, Henry, Bogle. Subs: Carpenter, Nash, Woolley, McAdams, Jibodu.

REPORT

The Town's second string let a two-goal cushion slip as they allowed Oxford to earn a 3-3 draw in the Combination on Wednesday night. Oxford took the lead in the 18th minute with a well-worked goal that saw Tyrone Marsh's cross from the right was finished well by Australian striker Matt Fletcher.



Godfrey Poku is congratulated after his goal against Oxford

However the Hatters weren't behind for long as three minutes later they were level. Charlie Henry did well down the right flank to hang up a cross for trialist striker Omar Bogle to thump a header home. Buoyed by the equaliser the Town went in search of another and on 29 minutes when JJ O'Donnell's lofted cross caught out home goalkeeper Max Crocombe and drifted into the net.

The Hatters, watched by first-team boss Gary Brabin, then went 3-1 up shortly before the break when Godfrey Poku slammed in a fine angled drive from the edge of the box giving Crocombe no chance.

But the second half was a different story and, after the Town made several substitutions Oxford began their comeback. After Crocombe had thwarted Bogle with a terrific stop that would have made it 4-2, David Lynn showed fine skill to cut in from the left and fire past Lewis Kidd to reduce arrears with 15 minutes left on the clock.

The U's continued to press and the equaliser came three minutes from time when Callum O'Dowda's cross was scrambled home by Fletcher for his second of the night. The draw extends the Town's unbeaten run in the Combination.

TOTESPORT.COM COMBINATION EASTERN DIVISION

TEAM	P	W	D	L	GD	PTS
1 Colchester United	5	3	0	2	7	9
2 LUTON TOWN	4	2	2	0	4	8
3 Southend United	5	2	0	3	0	6
4 Oxford	4	1	2	1	-1	5
5 Oxford United	6	1	2	3	-10	5

YOUNG HATTERS

UNDER-18S

PUMA YOUTH ALLIANCE UNDER-18 SOUTH-EAST DIVISION

AUGUST

6 - COLCHESTER UNITED (H) L0-1

13 - QUEENS PARK RANGERS (A) D2-2

20 - BARNET (H) W3-1

27 - WYCOMBE WANDERERS 2-1

SEPTEMBER

3 - NORTHAMPTON TOWN (H) 2-0

10 - BRENTFORD (A) L0-1

17 - STEVENAGE (H) W4-1

19 - ROTHWELL CORINTHIANS (H) FAYC W11-2

24 - PETERBOROUGH UNITED (H) D1-1

OCTOBER

5 - LEIGHTON TOWN (H) FAYC W5-1

8 - BARNET (H) PYC D1-1

15 - STEVENAGE (H) PYC W4-1

21 - DEREHAM TOWN (A) FAYC L1-2

29 - WYCOMBE WANDERERS (H) PYC W5-2

NOVEMBER

5 - PETERBOROUGH UNITED (A) PYC L2-3

8 - NORTHAMPTON TOWN (A) PYC W2-1

12 - WYCOMBE WANDERERS (H) L1-4

19 - NORTHAMPTON TOWN (A) W1-0

DECEMBER

3 - LEYTON ORIENT (A) L0-3

JANUARY

7 - PETERBOROUGH UNITED (A) D1-1

FEBRUARY

11 - BARNET (A) L0-4

25 - SOUTHEND UNITED (A) L0-3

MARCH

3 - BRIGHTON & HOVE ALBION (H) 10 - ALDERSHOT TOWN (A)

17 - AFC WIMBLEDON (H)

24 - DAGENHAM & REDBRIDGE (A)

31 - CRAWLEY TOWN (A)

APRIL

SAT - 14 LEYTON ORIENT (H)

SAT - 21 GILLINGHAM (H)

SHADOW SQUADS

FOOTBALL CONFERENCE YOUTH ALLIANCE CENTRAL DIVISION

SEPTEMBER

14 - ST ALBANS CITY (A) L0-5

28 - TAMWORTH (H) D2-2

OCTOBER

12 - CORBY TOWN (A)

26 - WATFORD HERTSWOOD (H)

NOVEMBER

2 - KIDDERMINSTER HARRIERS (H)

9 - OXFORD CITY (A)

16 - BIRMINGHAM CITY WHITES (H)

23 - CHASETOWN (A)

30 - FOOTBALLCV REDS (H)

DECEMBER

7 - HITCHIN TOWN (A)

JANUARY

11 - KETTERING TOWN (H)

25 - KETTERING TOWN (A)

FEBRUARY

1 - ST ALBANS CITY (H)

8 - TAMWORTH (A)

22 - CORBY TOWN (H)

29 - WATFORD HERTSWOOD (A)

MARCH

14 - KIDDERMINSTER HARRIERS (A)

21 - OXFORD CITY (H)

28 - BIRMINGHAM CITY WHITES (A)

APRIL

4 - CHASETOWN (H)

18 - FOOTBALLCV REDS (A)

25 - HITCHIN TOWN (H)

SOUTHERN COUNTIES FLOODIT YOUTH LEAGUE CORINTHIAN DIVISION

AUGUST

29 - NEWPORT PAGNELL D1-1

SEPTEMBER

5 - CHESHAM UNITED (H) L0-3

12 - LEIGHTON TOWN (H)

26 - BOREHAM WOOD (A)

OCTOBER

3 - HEMEL HEMPSTEAD TOWN (H)

17 - CHESHAM UNITED (A)

24 - NEWPORT PAGNELL TOWN (H)

NOVEMBER

7 - LEIGHTON TOWN (A)

21 - BOREHAM WOOD (H)

28 - HEMEL HEMPSTEAD TOWN (A)

MATCH DIGEST

FIXTURE Southend United

COMPETITION Youth Alliance

RESULT 0-3

TEAM Barnes, Burtenshaw,

Jibodu, Nash, Stephens, Ferguson,

McAdams, Blake(sub McKenzie-

Lowe 46), Woolley, Maguraushe,

Amu (sub Davis 75). Subs not

used: Carpenter, Chabata.

COACH'S COMMENTS

"Despite the result it was an excellent performance. The scoreline did not reflect the game at all with Southend's three goals coming in the final eight minutes. In a game of few chances for either side, our best opportunity came in the first half when Arel Amu created two chances that the Shrimpers' goalkeeper saved."

YOUTH ALLIANCE LEAGUE TABLE

TEAM	P	W	GD	PTS
1 Brighton & Hove Albion	14	11	29	35
2 Southend United	18	10	16	35
3 Barnet	17	10	20	31
4 Gillingham	16	10	19	31
5 Queens Park Rangers	14	9	17	31
6 Brentford	15	8	-1	25
7 Crawley Town	15	6	0	24
8 Leyton Orient	16	8	-1	24
9 Millwall	15	6	12	22
10 LUTON TOWN	15	6	-4	21
11 Colchester United	15	6	1	19
12 Northampton Town	17	6	-3	19
13 Wycombe Wanderers	14	5	-8	17
14 Peterborough United	16	3	-11	15
15 Stevenage	15	3	-12	13
16 AFC Wimbledon	17	4	-31	13
17 Aldershot Town	14	2	-16	9
18 Dagenham & Redbridge	16	2	-28	9

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ACADEMY UPDATE

ELEVENTH FOR ELEVENS

The Town Under-11s competed in the Swiss Masters in Aarau last weekend, looking to improve on last year's fifth-place finish.

The tour started on Thursday with a visit to the FIFA headquarters in Zurich where the team had a behind the scenes tour and got to meet FIFA Chairman Sepp Blatter. Following the visit we had a warm-up tournament which was a really useful exercise to try out players in different positions and prepare for the weekend's event. After winning three of our group games we lost to Slovakian side Nitra which meant we had to win our last game by six or more to qualify and knock Feyernoord out on goal difference. Our tactic of playing with no specialist goalkeeper worked and a place in the semi-finals was secured.

The semi-finals pitted us against Brazilian side Recife and after falling behind to an early goal we created enough chances to get something from the game, but they held on to qualify for the final which they won comfortably.

We used the Friday as a recovery day and spent the morning at altitude in the Alps with some tobogganing before doing some sight-seeing in the beautiful lakeside town of Lucerne. The evening allowed us to do a video feedback session highlighting strengths and weaknesses in our performances from the first day.

Swiss Premier League side Lucerne were our first opponents and they punished us for our poor retention rate and fully deserved their 3-0 victory. Things didn't get any easier as we faced Brazilian giants Sao Paolo in the second game of the day, and it was a similar story of careless finishing and wasted possession as we went down 2-0.

After a 5-0 win over local side Niederlenz, we played the Turkish side Andolu and despite a good performance we were punished with two individual mistakes to lose the game 2-1. This meant we faced Swiss Championship side Dietkon knowing that we

had to win the game to qualify for the second day of the tournament. Despite the Swiss team topping the group, we dominated the game and scored two very good goals to win 2-0.



The Under-11s take the plaudits at the winners' ceremony

The final day of the tournament was the top 20 teams split into four groups of five. We had a tough draw with Swiss side FC Aarau, Mexican side Colegio, Dutch team Feyernoord and Swiss Champions FC Basel. We started the day brightly, with a 1-0 win over Aarau and a 3-0 win over Colegio meaning one more win would put us into the quarter finals. Unfortunately we weren't able to make the step up in class required and were comprehensively beaten by Feyernoord and Basel to eventually finish 11th out of the 30 teams starting the event.

Head of Youth Gregg Broughton said: "We were disappointed with our overall performance as we fell short technically and tactically of the levels needed to compete at the highest level. Feyernoord were a great side and eventually won the tournament and FC Basel eventually came third so it was a tough draw but equally we want to test our players against the best teams. As with all tours we learnt so much about the character of the players and we also know the levels that we have to strive to reach to produce players capable of competing at this level."

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The purpose of our talent identification programme is to provide high quality coaching for up and coming young footballers whether they are ambitious players wanting to progress towards becoming a professional or a newcomer wanting to develop the basic skills.

The list of venues and term dates are all listed overleaf and each term costs £45 which includes nine practical sessions and a trial match. All players receive an end of term report on their development and for those players who the coaches feel have shown the right level of ability and attitude during the term the opportunity to progress to the Performance Centre/Centre of Excellence or Academy is offered. Players who display talent can be moved through the programme after only a few weeks if appropriate.

Our successful TIPS Development programme is now in its sixth year of operation and the club's youth section prides itself on the high calibre of its coaching team. Any youngster signing up to TIPS will receive the same standard of coaching that has helped produce players such as Curtis Davies, Matthew Upson, Matthew Taylor, Kevin Foley, Leon Barnett and

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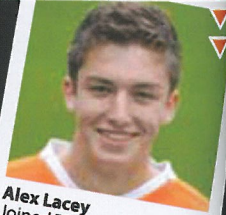
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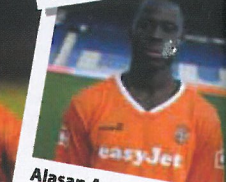
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Term 1
June 6th - July 22nd 2011*

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Sept 12th - Nov 18th 2011

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May 7th - July 20 2012

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Club	No of Players	Current League
Manchester United	22	Premier League
West Ham United	16	Premier League
Manchester City	11	Premier League
Everton	9	Premier League
Luton Town	8	Blue Square

TRIAL MATCH DATES

Term 1 Saturday 9th July **Term 2** Saturday 5 November
Term 3 Saturday 28 January **Term 4** Saturday 21 April
Term 5 Saturday 7 July

LIST OF VENUES

Ampthill

Alameda Sports Hall, Woburn St
Ampthill, Bedford MK45 2HX
Wednesdays - 17:30 - 18:30

Bedford

Bedford Modern School
Manton Lane, Bedford MK41 7NT
Tuesdays - Yrs 2-5 18:00-19:00
Yrs 6-11 19:00-20:00

Biggleswade

Biggleswade Town FC
The Carlsberg Stadium, Langford Rd
Biggleswade, Beds SG18 9JT
Tuesdays - 18:00 - 19:00

Dunstable

Creasey Park Stadium, Creasey Park Drive,
Dunstable LU6 1BB
Fridays - 17:30 - 18:30

Flitwick/Ampthill

Redbourne Upper School
Flitwick Road, Beds MK45 2NU
Mondays - 18:00 - 19:00

Harpenden

Sir John Lawes School
Manland Way, Harpenden AL5 4QP
Fridays - 18:00 - 19:00

Hitchin

Hitchin Boys School
Grammar School Walk, Hitchin SG5 1JB
Wednesdays - 18:00 - 19:00

Leighton Buzzard

Vandyke Upper School
Vandyke Road, Leighton Buzzard LU7 3DY
Fridays - 18:00 - 19:00

Luton

Playfootball.net, Stopsley High
St Thomas's Rd, Luton LU2 7UX
Mondays - Yrs 2-6 17:00 - 18:00
Yrs 7-11 18:00 - 19:00

Sundon Park

Lealands High School LU3 3AL
Thursdays Yrs 2-6 17:00 - 18:00

Shefford

Robert Bloomfield Middle School
Bloomfield Drive, Shefford, Beds SG17 5BU
Wednesdays - 17:00 - 18:00



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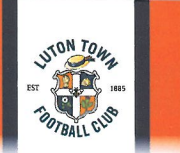
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LUTON LADIES



The Town Ladies set an FA record by reaching their fifth consecutive Bedfordshire County Cup final by defeating Arlesey Town Ladies 2-1.

The Hatters started brightly keeping the ball very well for extended periods before being stung within five minutes. Conceding a corner after losing possession, the ball was flicked on at the near post and finished from close range by Arlesey's Mandy Cain – the mother of former Luton player Michael.

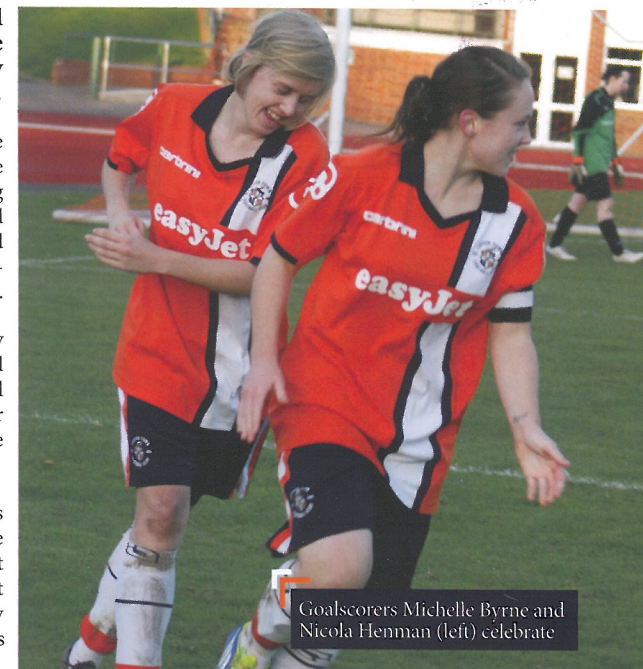
The Hatters didn't panic though as they continued to play some fine passing football and they drew level from a set piece. Rachel Spendalov struck her free-kick to the near post where Nicola Henman headed into the far corner of the net to equalise.

Still the Town pressed with Jess McKay's corner then striking the crossbar before Michelle Byrne narrowly failed to convert the rebound. Another fine move brought an excellent flying save from the Arlesey goalkeeper as she pushed away Laura Day's goal-bound strike.

The visitors rarely threatened the Luton goal but just before the interval a superb tackle from Amy Summerfield prevented a shooting opportunity.

After 57 minutes Luton took the lead when Jodie Whitford-Stark chipped a cross into captain Byrne who flicked the ball on with her head before beating both the onrushing goalkeeper and a covering defender to the ball before steering it into the net.

Day, McKay and Byrne narrowly failed to add to the lead as the Town failed to finish the tie off. And they were almost made to pay in the 93rd minute when an Arlesey free-kick smashed against the top of the crossbar and to safety.



Goalscorers Michelle Byrne and Nicola Henman (left) celebrate

Luton Assistant Manager Nikki Baker told Talk of the Town: "We are really pleased with the overall performance and the players' ability to play to a given pattern on the day.

"This tie was a potential banana skin as Arlesey had only lost once this season and, although the scoreline appears close, it is right to say that we restricted them to just two serious efforts on our goal during the game."

The Ladies now look forward to meeting Bedford Ladies on their home ground at AFC Kempston on Wednesday 11th April.

ON THIS DAY

SIMON PITTS LOOKS BACK ON GAMES PLAYED AT HOME ON THIS DAY

9

The number of games previously played on 3rd March, with Luton winning four, drawing four and losing just once. The Hatters have scored 13 goals and conceded five.

4

The most goals scored in one game came in the first match at Kenilworth Road on this date in 1906. The Hatters beat Swindon Town 4-0 in a Southern League fixture. Alexander Brown netted twice with William Barnes and Alexander McDonald also on target.

2

The second game saw two goals and another clean sheet as Luton beat Southend United 2-0 in a Division Three (South) fixture in 1923. Syd Reid and Ralph Hoten were the goalscorers.

1

The first of four draws was also the only scoring draw as Notts County held the Hatters 1-1 in a Second Division match in 1951. Bernard Moore scored for the Hatters in the match that also saw the highest recorded attendance for these games, with 17,398 spectators.

11

The number of years between fixtures as it wasn't until 1962 that Luton played host on this date, once again in the Second Division. Brighton & Hove Albion were the visitors, and the Seagulls were beaten 2-1 courtesy of goals from Tommy McKechnie and Dave Pacey.

3

It was a Third Division match that saw Luton beat Tranmere Rovers in 1970. Malcolm Macdonald and John Ryan scored in a 2-0 victory.



Supermac: Notched on this day in 1970

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The first goalless draw came in 1984 when Queens Park Rangers were the visitors in the first, and only, top flight game to be played at Kenilworth Road on this date. The second of three goalless draws came in 2001 when Bristol Rovers were the visitors.

5

The highest number of goals scored between the two sides, although unfortunately Luton were beaten 3-2 by Wolverhampton Wanderers in a Championship fixture in 2007. Gary Breen scored an early goal for the visitors before Lewis Emmanuel and Leon Barnett gave Luton a half-time lead. Andy Keogh and Karl Henry scored after the break though to give the visitors all three points.

3

The number of years since the last match at Kenilworth Road on this date. It was also the third goalless draw on this date, this time against Gillingham in Luton's last season in the Football League. This was the lowest attendance of the eight League matches played on this date, with 5,739 watching.

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VIEW

BY CHIEF REPORTER, STUART HAMMONDS

For anyone who doubted the importance of cup football to the well-being of clubs on these shores, the last weekend in February was an 'in yer face' reminder.

At the top of the national game, we all had opportunity to see a great piece of theatre on the BBC when Liverpool took on Cardiff City at Wembley, as a wonderful Carling Cup final was played out in front of a few short of 90,000 people.

Try telling those forty-odd thousand celebrating Scousers and the same number of beaten, but equally proud Welsh fans, that league position was more important than actually getting their hands on silverware. Or the Liverpool manager, Kenny Dalglish, who spoke of the importance of the Reds' first trophy in six years and his hope it would kick-start a new era of Anfield success.

There weren't so many of us at the Abbey Stadium, Cambridge the previous afternoon for an FA Trophy quarter-final that pitted the local Blue Square Bet Premier side with the lowest ranked club left in Non-League's flagship cup competition, Wealdstone. But to the 376 travelling supporters, the competition that fans of many of the bigger Non-League clubs refer to as 'Tinpot' had lost none of its allure.

The older supporters among the Stones' set will recall the May afternoon in 1985 when their team completed the first Non-League double by adding the Trophy to the Conference title, beating Boston United 2-1 at the old Twin Towers.

In the intervening 27 years, the club that once ranked as the 93rd best in English football – and famously produced Stuart Pearce and Vinnie Jones – had fallen as low as the old Ryman Third Division while losing their traditional home ground.

Gordon Bartlett, approaching his 17th anniversary in charge of the Middlesex club, had steered them back up as high as ninth in the Step 3 Ryman Premier at the start of play. By the finish, he had also guided them into a semi-final draw with Luton Town, York City and Newport County.

The fans were superb, all afternoon out-singing their hosts among the 2,034 crowd and reminding them they were 'Tinpot, and we know we are'.

They were comfortably outplayed possession-wise, but cup football has this habit of provoking heroic performances.

In captain Wes Parker and his centre-half partner Sean Cronin, Wealdstone had two men who threw themselves in the way of almost every shot. Those they missed, goalkeeper Jonathan North repelled – apart from one late James Jennings free-kick.

Up front, the Stones had one of the top semi-pro poachers of recent times, Richard Jolly, scoring his 29th and 30th goals of the season with their only two attempts to enable those lung-busting fans to sing '2-1 to the tinpot club'.

It was a great afternoon for the romantic football fan who likes seeing David slay Goliath, and the celebrations of the players and Bartlett – who later got a traditional cup victory soaking in the dressing room – enjoyed were a joy to behold.

OK, it wasn't a final triumph like Liverpool's. But maybe, just maybe, it could act as a catalyst for one of Non-League's most famous names to eventually complete their long journey back to the peak.



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LUTON TOWN v YORK CITY

FA TROPHY SEMI-FINAL SECOND LEG

SATURDAY 17TH MARCH 2012, KICK-OFF 3PM

Tickets for this match are now on sale.

Prices: Adult £15, 65-75-year-olds and 17-21-year-olds £11, 10-16-year-olds and over-75s £7, Under-10s £4. Reserved seating will be in force in this match. Season ticket holders have until 9th March to guarantee their own seats for this match before it is released on general sale the following day. Non-season ticket holders can book any other available seat. All seats will be on sale from Saturday 10th March. Diamond season ticket holders who have not taken up their free cup ticket for the FA Trophy need to contact the ticket office to do so. Those supporters who have completed a cup authorisation form will receive their tickets in the post shortly.



LUTON TOWN v GRIMSBY TOWN

BLUE SQUARE BET PREMIER

SATURDAY 24TH MARCH 2012, KICK-OFF 3PM

Tickets are now on sale at normal match day prices.



LUTON TOWN v YORK CITY

BLUE SQUARE BET PREMIER

FRIDAY 30TH MARCH 2012, KICK-OFF 7.30PM

Please note the change in date and kick-off time for this match.

This game will be screened live by Premier Sports TV.

Tickets for this match are now on sale.



ALL AREAS

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

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IN PERSON: Ticket office, Kenilworth Road. **PHONE:** 01582 416976 **ONLINE:** www.eticketing.co.uk/lutontown

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In the event of an 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.

ON THE ROAD

SUPPORT THE TOWN ON OUR TRAVELS



WREXHAM v LUTON TOWN

BLUE SQUARE BET PREMIER

WEDNESDAY 7TH MARCH 2012, KICK-OFF 7.30PM

Please note the change in date and time of kick-off for this match. This game will be screened live by Premier Sports TV. Entry to this match is pay on the night for Town fans in unreserved seating. Prices: Adults £17, concessions (over 60 or 17-21 and Disabled) £10, Junior (16 and under) £5, Under 7s FREE.



YORK CITY v LUTON TOWN

FA TROPHY SEMI-FINAL FIRST LEG

SATURDAY 10TH MARCH 2012, KICK-OFF 3PM

This match is not all-ticket but tickets are available in advance from the Luton Town ticket office. 250 seats and 250 terrace tickets are available. Our total allocation is approximately 300 seats and 1,000 terrace places.

Tickets are now on sale to all Season Ticket holders until close of business on Saturday 3rd March.

Any remaining tickets will be available on general sale from Monday 5th March until 3pm on Friday 9th March.

Subject to availability, tickets will also be sold on the day of the game at cash turnstiles.

Prices: Terracing: Adult £15, Concessions £10. Seating: Adult £16, Concessions £11.



DARLINGTON v LUTON TOWN

BLUE SQUARE BET PREMIER

TUESDAY 13TH MARCH 2012, KICK-OFF 7.45PM

This match is pay on the night at Darlington for Town supporters. Seating only. Prices: Adult £18, Concessions £12- Under 16s £5. A family ticket (two adults and two children) is available at £40.



GETTING TO...WREXHAM - THE RACECOURSE

Bobbers Travel (01234 856542): £20 adults, £17 concessions. Departure: 2.30pm.

Town on Tour (07960 567465): £21 adults, £19 concessions. Departure: tbc.

Car: M1 north, M6, taking the M54 from the M6 (Junction 10A Northbound). Follow the M54 to the end of the motorway and join the A5 towards Shrewsbury. Continue on the A5 past Shrewsbury and Oswestry and then join the A483 towards Wrexham. Stay on the A483 as you reach Wrexham (this is the Wrexham by-pass). Leave the A483 with at the junction of the A541 Mold road. The ground is 300 yards from this junction (on the A541) towards Wrexham town centre.

For the sat-nav: LL11 2AH

By train: Wrexham General train station is located next to the ground.

GETTING TO...YORK CITY - BOOTHAM CRESCENT

Bobbers Travel (01234 856542): £20 adults, £17 concessions. Departure: 9.30am.

Town on Tour (07960 567465): £23 adults, £21 concessions. Departure: 10am.

Car: M1, A1 north, take the A64 to Scarborough/York. Near York, join the A1237 Ring Road and continue until you reach the junction with the A19. Turn right here onto the A19 to York City Centre. Keep going until you get to a pub on your left called the Burton Stone Inn, turn left here into Burton Stone Lane. Then take the first right into Grosvenor Road for the ground.

For the sat-nav: YO30 7AQ

By train: York mainline train station is a good 15-20 minute walk away from the ground.

FIXTURES & RESULTS



DATE	TIME	H/A	OPPOSITION	SCORE	HT	AWAY	POS	STARTING XI	SUBS
August									
Tue 16	19:45	H	Forest Green Rovers	1-1	6,061	60	16	K. Pilkington, Asafu-Adjaye, Beckwith 1, Antwi, Osano, Keane, Howells, Lawless, O'Connor, Dance, Barnes-Homer*	Willmott*, Watkins, Morgan-Smith, Crow, Kidd
Sat 20	15:00	H	Southport	5-1	5,681	64	10	Tyler, Osano, Beckwith, Antwi 1, Howells, Keane, Watkins 1**, Lawless, Willmott 1, Dan O'Connor**	M-Smith 1**, Crow 1*, A-Adjaye**, Barnes-Homer, K. Pilkington
Tue 23	19:45	A	Mansfield Town	1-1	2,592	437	10	Tyler, Osano, Beckwith, Antwi 1, Asafu-Adjaye**, Dance, Watkins, Howells, Morgan-Smith O'Connor**, Crow	Gleeson*, Walker**, Poku, Barnes-Homer, K. Pilkington
Sat 27	15:00	H	Braintree Town	3-1	5,703	110	6	Tyler, Osano, Beckwith, Antwi, Howells 1, Dance**, Lawless*, Keane, Willmott, Crow 1**, Smith 2	Watkins*, O'Connor**, Kissock**, A-Adjaye, K. Pilkington
Tue 30	19:45	A	Hayes & Yeading United	2-2	1,015	727	8	Tyler, Osano, Beckwith, Antwi, Howells 1, Dance**, Lawless, Keane, Willmott, Crow 1**, Smith 1	Watkins*, A-Adjaye*, O'Connor**, Kissock, K. Pilkington
September									
Fri 2	19:45	A	Stockport County	1-1	3,389	321	6	Tyler, Osano, Keane, Antwi, A-Adjaye, Lawless 1, Kissock*, Watkins, Willmott, M-Smith**	Dance*, Fleetwood**, O'Connor, Carden, K. Pilkington
Sat 10	15:00	H	Darlington	2-0	5,952	151	6	Tyler, Keane, Antwi, Beckwith, Howells, Lawless, Hand, Willmott, Morgan-Smith*, Crow 1, Fleetwood 1	Dance*, Kissock*, Watkins, O'Connor, K. Pilkington
Tue 13	19:45	A	AFC Telford United	2-0	2,640	502	3	Tyler, Asafu-Adjaye, Antwi, Beckwith, Howells, Lawless, Keane, Willmott**, Morgan-Smith 2, Crow*, Fleetwood**	Dance*, Kissock, Watkins**, O'Connor**, K. Pilkington
Sat 17	15:00	H	Lincoln City	1-0	6,316	206	2	Tyler, Dance, Beckwith, Antwi, Howells, Morgan-Smith**, Lawless, Hand, Willmott**, Howood 1, Crow*	Dance*, Kissock, Watkins**, O'Connor**, K. Pilkington
Tue 20	19:45	A	Bath City	1-1	1,158	442	1	Tyler, Dance*, Kovacs, Antwi, Howells, Morgan-Smith 1, Lawless, Hand, Kissock**, Fleetwood, Crow**	Watkins*, O'Connor**, Samuel, K. Pilkington
Sat 24	15:00	A	York City	0-3	3,570	606	6	Tyler, Keane, Kovacs, Antwi, Howells, Dance, Lawless**, Hand, Kissock*, Willmott, Fleetwood**	O'Connor*, Samuel**, Willmott**, Watkins, K. Pilkington
Tue 27	19:45	H	Cambridge United	0-1	6,274	522	9	Tyler, Dance, Kovacs, Antwi, Howells, Morgan-Smith, Hand**, Keane, Willmott**, Fleetwood, Crow	Crow**, O'Connor**, Watkins**, Asafu-Adjaye, K. Pilkington
October									
Sat 1	15:00	H	Barrow	5-1	5,613	115	6	Tyler, Osano, Keane, Kovacs, Howells, Hand, Dance 1, Watkins 1**, Willmott 2, O'Connor, Morgan-Smith 1	Crow*, Kissock**, Antwi, Asafu-Adjaye, K. Pilkington
Sat 8	15:00	A	Kidderminster Harriers	2-1	3,332	931	5	Tyler, Osano, G. Pilkington, Kovacs, Blackett, Hand, Dance**, Keane, Willmott 2, O'Connor, Morgan-Smith	Fleetwood*, Crow**, Antwi, Watkins, K. Pilkington
Tue 11	19:45	A	Ebbsfleet United	2-2	1,651	722	5	Tyler, Osano, G. Pilkington, Kovacs, Blackett, Hand, Dance 1, Carden, Willmott, O'Connor, Morgan-Smith 1**	Fleetwood*, Watkins**, Antwi, Kissock, K. Pilkington
Sat 15	15:00	H	Gateshead	5-1	6,285	104	3	Tyler, Osano, G. Pilkington, Kovacs, Blackett, Willmott**, Howells 2, Keane, Dance, Morgan-Smith**, Fleetwood	O'Connor 1**, Hand 2**, Watkins, Kissock**, K. Pilkington
Tue 18	19:45	H	Wrexham	0-1	7,270	239	5	Tyler, Osano, G. Pilkington, Kovacs, Blackett, Willmott, Keane, Dance, Howells, Fleetwood O'Connor**	Wright*, Kissock**, Hand, Watkins, K. Pilkington
Fri 21	19:45	A	Grimby Town	1-0	3,239	186	4	Tyler, Osano, G. Pilkington, Kovacs, Howells, Willmott**, Watkins, Hand, Dance**, Fleetwood**, Wright 1	Crow**, O'Connor**, Kissock**, Beckwith, K. Pilkington
Sat 29	15:00	H	Hendon (FAC 4Q)	5-1	2,329	193	-	K. Pilkington, Osano, Beckwith, Antwi, Howells, Dance 1*, Hand**, O'Connor 2 (pen), Kissock, Fleetwood 1, Wright 1**	Crow**, Henry**, Tavernier**, Willmott, Samuel, Carden, Tyler
November									
Sat 5	15:00	H	Fleetwood Town	1-2	6,361	83	7	Tyler, Osano, G. Pilkington, Kovacs 1, Howells, Willmott*, Keane, Lawless**, O'Connor, Fleetwood, Morgan-Smith	Kissock*, Watkins**, Hand, Wright*, K. Pilkington
Sat 12	15:00	H	Northampton Town (FAC1)	1-0	4,799	913	-	K. Pilkington, Osano, G. Pilkington, Howells, Hand, Lawless, Keane*, Kissock**, M-Smith, O'Connor	Tyler, Willmott**, Gleeson, Beckwith, Crow*, Blackett, Watkins**
Sat 19	15:00	A	Cambridge United	1-1	4,796	1,754	7	K. Pilkington, Osano, G. Pilkington, Kovacs, Taylor, Dance*, Lawless, Hand**, Howells, Howood 1, O'Connor	Tyler, Watkins**, Willmott, Kissock, Brunt*
Sat 26	15:00	A	Newport County	1-0	1,511	273	6	K. Pilkington, Osano, G. Pilkington, Kovacs, Taylor**, Dance, Lawless, Hand, Howells, Fleetwood**, O'Connor*	Tyler, Crow 1**, Willmott**, Brunt*, Keane
Tue 29	19:45	H	AFC Telford United	1-1	5,399	106	6	K. Pilkington, Osano, G. Pilkington, Kovacs, Howells, Willmott, Dance*, Keane, Lawless, Willmott 1, Crow**, Fleetwood**	Watkins**, Brunt**, O'Connor*, Tyler, Taylor
December									
Sat 3	15:00	H	Cheltenham Town (FAC2)	2-4	4,516	478	-	K. Pilkington, Gleeson, G. Pilkington, Kovacs, Howells, Willmott, Keane*, Howells, Lawless O'Connor 2, Crow	Kissock*, Beckwith, Fleetwood, Dance, Hand, Wright, Tyler
Tue 6	19:45	A	Lincoln City	1-1	2,049	327	7	K. Pilkington, Gleeson, G. Pilkington*, Kovacs, Howells, Willmott**, Keane, Howells, Lawless O'Connor**, Crow 1	Hand*, Dance**, Brunt**, Fleetwood, Tyler
Sat 10	15:00	H	Swindon S (FAT1)	2-0	1,298	55	-	Tyler, Gleeson*, Beckwith, Lacey, Taylor, Kissock**, Watkins, Keane, Osano, Brunt**, Fleetwood 1	Kidd, McAdams**, Smith, Wright*, O'Donnell**, Kidd
Sat 17	15:00	A	Tamworth	3-1	1,467	622	5	K. Pilkington, Gleeson, G. Pilkington, Kovacs, Taylor, Lawless, Keane, Watkins**, Dance**, Howells, Crow** 2	Tyler, Wright**, Willmott, Fleetwood**, Kissock*, Willmott
Mon 26	15:00	H	Kettering Town	5-0	7,164	205	5	K. Pilkington, Gleeson, G. Pilkington, Kovacs, Taylor, Lawless 1, Watkins, Keane, Howells O'Connor 1**, Crow**	Tyler, Fleetwood 1**, Kissock, Willmott 1**, Wright
January									
Sun 1	15:00	A	Kettering Town	5-0	3,247	2,018	3	K. Pilkington, Osano, G. Pilkington, Kovacs 1, Taylor 1, Lawless**, Keane, Watkins 1, Howells 1, Dance**, O'Connor*	Brunt*, Fleetwood 1**, Willmott**, Kissock, Tyler
Sat 7	15:00	H	Newport County	2-0	6,108	228	3	K. Pilkington, Gleeson*, G. Pilkington**, Kovacs, Taylor, Lawless, Keane, Watkins, Howells O'Connor 1, Crow 1**	Willmott**, Fleetwood**, Dance*, Kissock, Tyler
Tues 10	19:45	H	Stockport County	1-0	5,588	78	3	K. Pilkington, Gleeson, Kovacs, G. Pilkington, Taylor, Dance*, Watkins, Lawless, Howells, Fleetwood**, Crow	O'Connor 1**, Willmott*, Kissock, Lacey, Tyler
Wed 18	19:45	A	Hinckley United (FAT2)	0-0	754	tbc	-	Tyler, Osano, Lacey, Asafu-Adjaye, O'Donnell, McAdams**, Dance, Kissock, Willmott, Fleetwood, Ann*	Woolley*, Nash**, Longden, Kiddy
Sat 21	15:00	A	Southport	3-3	1,665	540	3	K. Pilkington, Taylor, Kovacs, G. Pilkington, Taylor, Lawless, Watkins 1, Kissock*, O'Connor 1, Howells, Crow 1	Morgan-Smith*, Fleetwood, McAllister, Poku, Tyler
Mon 23	19:30	H	Hinckley United (FATR2)	3-0*	1,004	81	-	Tyler, Osano, Asafu-Adjaye, Lacey, O'Donnell, Nash, McAdams**, Willmott, Kissock, Fleetwood 1**, Morgan-Smith 1**	Smith**, Longden**, Woolley**, Maguraushe, Kidd
Wed 25	19:30	H	Mansfield Town	0-0	5,261	111	3	K. Pilkington, Gleeson, Kovacs, G. Pilkington, Taylor, Lawless, Watkins, Howells, Morgan-Smith*, O'Connor, Crow**	Fleetwood*, McAllister**, Dance, Poku, Tyler
Sat 28	15:00	H	Alfreton Town	1-0	5,658	89	3	Tyler, Gleeson, G. Pilkington 1, Kovacs, Taylor, Willmott**, Watkins**, Lawless, Howells, Howood, McAllister	Fleetwood*, Poku**, O'Connor**, Kissock, K. Pilkington
February									
Tue 7	19:45	A	Kidderminster H (FAT3)	2-1	1,186	111	-	Tyler, Osano, Blackett, Beckwith, Taylor, Lawless, Henry**, Kissock, Willmott, Howells, Fleetwood 1	O'Donnell**, Watkins**, Woolley**, Kovacs, K. Pilkington
Sat 18	15:00	H	Tamworth	3-0*	5,833	66	3	Tyler, Osano*, G. Pilkington, Kovacs 1, Taylor, Lawless, Kissock**, Howells, Boucaud, O'Connor**, Fleetwood 1	Willmott**, McAllister**, Watkins*, Crow, K. Pilkington
Tue 21	19:45	A	Barrow	0-1	925	70	3	Tyler, Keane, Pilkington, Kovacs, Taylor, Lawless, Howells, Boucaud*, O'Connor, Fleetwood, McAllister**	Kissock*, Watkins*, Blackett, Crow, Kidd
Sat 25	15:00	H	Gateshead (FATQE)	2-0	2,499	88	-	Tyler, Asafu-Adjaye, Blackett, Pilkington, Taylor, Lawless, Keane 1, Kissock 1*, Howells, Willmott**, Crow**	O'Connor**, Fleetwood**, Henry*, Watkins, Kidd
March									
Sat 3	15:00	H	Bath City						
Wed 7	19:30	A	Wrexham						
Sat 10	15:00	A	York City (FATSF1)						
Tue 13	19:45	A	Darlington						
Sat 17	15:00	H	York City (FATSE2)						
Tue 20	19:45	A	Forest Green Rovers						
Sat 24	15:00	H	Grimby Town						
Fri 30	19:30	H	York City						
April									
Tue 3	19:45	A	Gateshead						
Sat 7	15:00	A	Braintree Town						
Mon 9	15:00	H	Hayes & Yeading United						
Sat 14	15:00	A	Alfreton Town						
Sat 21	15:00	H	Kidderminster Harriers						
Sat 28	13:00	A	Fleetwood Town						
tba	tba	H	Ebbsfleet United						

*Scoreline includes own goal

LEAGUE TABLE 2011/12

	P	W	D	L	F	A	GD	PTS
1 Fleetwood Town	34	24	7	3	80	37	43	79
2 Wrexham	33	23	5	5	60	21	39	74
3 LUTON TOWN	33	17	11	5	62	28	34	62
4 Southport	34	17	7	10	53	56	-3	58
5 York City	33	15	12	6	65	36	29	57
6 Kidderminster Harriers	34	16	9	9	60	46	14	57
7 Mansfield Town	33	14	13	6	54	38	16	55
8 Grimsby Town	32	16	6	10	64	45	19	54
9 Gateshead	33	15	9	9	53	48	5	54
10 Barrow	34	15	7	12	53	48	5	52
11 Forest Green Rovers	34	12	13	9	47	33	14	49
12 Cambridge United	31	13	10	8	40	28	12	49
13 Braintree Town	34	13	7	14	56	60	-4	46
14 Tamworth	33	11	8	14	41	52	-11	41
15 Ebbsfleet United	34	10	14	10	52	59	-7	40
16 Newport County	33	8	9	16	40	48	-8	33
17 Lincoln City	34	8	9	17	36	50	-14	33
18 AFC Telford United	33	7	11	15	33	48	-15	32
19 Stockport County	35	6	14	15	39	57	-18	32
20 Darlington	34	10	8	16	35	49	-14	28
21 Alfreton Town	33	7	7	19	41	72	-31	28
22 Kettering Town	34	7	7	20	34	76	-42	28
23 Hayes & Yeading	33	7	6	20	45	71	-26	27
24 Bath City	34	3	9	22	31	68	-37	18

PLAYER STATS 2011/12

	THIS SEASON					CUP		TOTAL		DISCIP		CAREER TOTAL	
	LEAGUE APPS	GLS	APPS	GLS	APPS	GLS	Y	R	APPS	GLS	Y	R	
Abissu ANN	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
WILL ANTWI	12	0	2	1	0	0	13	0	2	0	0	13	2
EDASAFU-ADIJAYE	4	2	0	2	0	0	6	2	0	0	0	7	1
Matthew BARNES-HOMER	1	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	0	1	1
Dean BECKWITH	8	0	1	3	0	0	11	0	0	0	0	81	23
Shane BLACKETT	4	0	0	1	0	0	5	0	0	0	0	44	1
Andre BOUCAUD	2	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	1	0	2	0
Ryan BRUNT	0	5	0	1	0	0	1	5	0	0	0	6	0
Paul CARDEN	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	11	0
Danny CROW	18	6	9	1	2	0	19	8	9	3	0	62	17
James DANCE	21	5	3	2	0	1	23	5	4	3	0	28	4
Stuart FLEETWOOD	16	6	6	5	0	4	21	9	10	4	0	30	10
Dan GLEESON	8	1	0	2	0	0	10	1	0	1	0	53	0
Jamie HAND	11	2	2	2	0	0	13	2	4	1	15	2	0
Charlie HENRY	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	2	0
Jake HOWELLS	30	0	5	4	0	1	34	0	6	2	0	165	15
Keith KEANE	21	0	0	3	0	0	24	0	0	5	0	26	6
John-Paul KISSOCK	5	12	0	6	1	0	11	13	0	0	0	24	0
Janos KOVACS	24	0	3	2	0	0	26	0	3	3	0	43	4
Alex LACEY	0	0	0	3	0	0	3	0	0	0	0	7	0
Alex LAWLESS	25	0	2	3	0	0	28	0	2	6	1	57	7
Brett LONGDEN	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	3	0
Colby MCADAMS	0	0	0	2	1	0	2	1	0	0	0	3	0
Craig MCALLISTER	2	2	0	0	0	0	2	2	0	0	0	4	0
Amari MORGAN-SMITH	15	2	9	2	0	1	17	2	10	6	0	46	18
Freddie MURRAY	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	79	1
Jerry NASH	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	2	0
Aaron O'CONNOR	18	12	5	3	0	4	21	12	9	2	0	33	9
JJ O'DONNELL	0	0	0	2	2	0	2	2	0	0	0	9	0
Curtis OSANO	18	0	0	6	0	0	24	0	0	3	0	24	0
George PILKINGTON	20	0	1	2	0	0	22	0	1	2	0	153	11
Kevin PILKINGTON	12	0	0	3									

LAST WORD

WITH DIVERSE FM'S STEVE MOORE

It has been a decent week. It started with reaching the FA Trophy semi-final with a comfortable win against a very good Gateshead side who were second best for the majority.

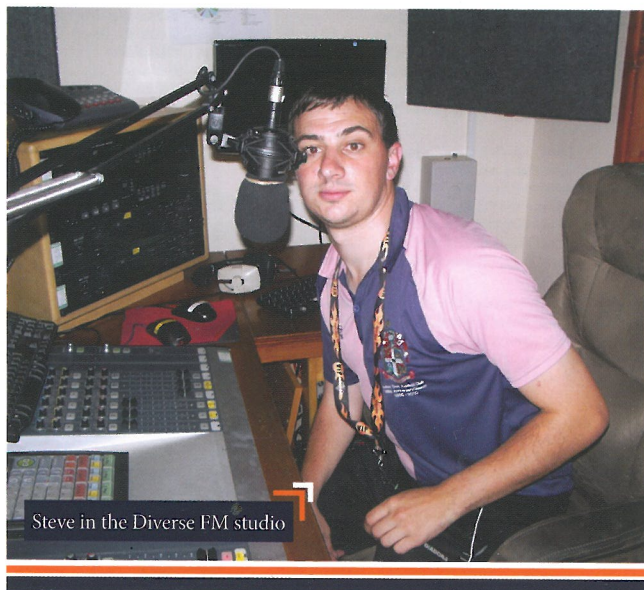
Keith Keane scored, which is almost a shame because, now he has popped up with a screamer, chances are we will have to wait until next season for his next one (as he says, it's usually worth the wait though).

Then Adam Watkins went up to Fleetwood and in just 17 minutes showed the potential we all know he has to all non-league fans up north with a delightful injury-time equaliser. There are not too many players at this level who have both the ability to pull off a side-foot lob volley from outside the area and even fewer who would dare have the bottle and self-belief to do it at that juncture.

Jake Howells then rounded it off by starting in a routine win for the Wales Under-21 side against Andorra at the start of a very emotional day in Welsh football.

All that does not disguise the fact that the run of games in the month of March will be what defines this season for the Hatters. That starts with today's game against Bath City where the Town need to make up for the failure to win down at Twerton Park back in September, and it only gets tougher from here on in.

Wrexham on Wednesday night and Grimsby Town at the back of the month are not only yardsticks of where we measure up against two of the three most in-form



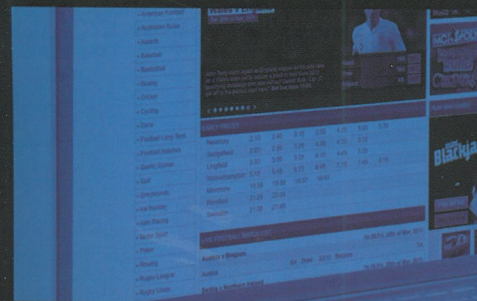
teams in the division but also is a major chance to gain a psychological edge before any potential Play-Off meeting.

That is before we even discuss the three York City clashes. Not only will they be monumentally high-pressure games against, for me, the most inconsistent sides in the division, but also gives us even more two-legged game experience to take into those Play-Offs.

A victory in the Trophy tie would also mean a possible dry-run at Wembley for a large majority of the players that were not with the squad in 2009, and a real chance to add to a trophy cabinet that is already much larger than that of our various local rivals.

If that was not enough, we have the long midweek trip to Darlington and a tricky one against Forest Green, talk about a jam-packed month!

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TODAY'S TEAMS



LUTON TOWN

Mark Tyler	1	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Dan Gleeson	2	<input type="checkbox"/>
Greg Taylor	3	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Keith Keane	4	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Dean Beckwith	5	<input type="checkbox"/>
George Pilkington	6	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Alex Lawless	7	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Amari Morgan-Smith	8	<input type="checkbox"/>
Craig McAllister	9	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Danny Crow	10	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Robbie Willmott	11	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Shane Blackett	12	<input type="checkbox"/>
Stuart Fleetwood	13	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Aaron O'Connor	14	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Jake Howells	15	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Ed Asafu-Adjaye	16	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Andre Boucaud	17	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Curtis Osano	18	<input type="checkbox"/>
James Dance	19	<input type="checkbox"/>
John Paul Kissock	20	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Charlie Henry	21	<input type="checkbox"/>
Godfrey Poku	25	<input type="checkbox"/>
Adam Watkins	28	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Janos Kovacs	34	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>

BATH CITY

<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 1	Glyn Garner
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<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 36	Chris Shephard
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 40	Tommy Doherty

MATCH OFFICIALS

Referee: R. Whitton
Assistant: A. Degnarain
Assistant: T. Goddard
Fourth official: L. Wood

UP NEXT v YORK CITY

Saturday 17th March 2012 3pm
FA Trophy semi-final second leg