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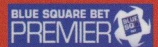
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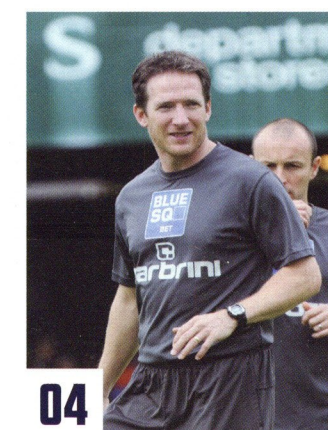


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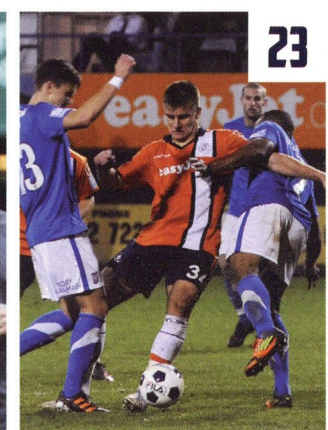
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ALAN NEILSON

Good afternoon and welcome to Kenilworth Road for this afternoon's Easter Monday game with Hayes & Yeading United.

A big welcome to Nas Bashir and his team, plus the directors and supporters of the club who have made the short trip to be here today.

Due to the Easter printing deadlines I find myself in the strange position of writing these notes not knowing whether or not I will be in charge of the team this afternoon!

It was frustrating not to be able to banish the misery of the York match last Tuesday when we travelled to Gateshead with hope of getting back to winning ways.

On the way up it was apparent that there was a lot of rain in the North East and I was told there was even heavy snow falling in the early afternoon.

We arrived in Darlington for our pre-match meal around lunchtime and, at around 2.30pm, we were informed that the game was postponed. Was it a blessing in disguise? Were the gods with us? Who knows, but at least the postponement gives players in our squad an extra few days to recover from injuries and knocks that they may have picked up.

Over a week ago I was told by Gary Sweet that the Board had come to a decision to release Gary Brabin from his contract. As his assistant manager and friend I was obviously disappointed to see him go.

I said in the press conference before the Gateshead match that we wanted to go to the match and get a result for Gary because he brought the nucleus of the squad to this football club.

It has been such a frustrating season for us and while it's easy to make excuses we have to accept that injuries and suspensions have led to an inconsistency in performances which have placed us in the position we are in.

But that's not to say it's over. Not by a long shot. Including today there are six matches left and 18 points still left to play for. You'll probably read similar things elsewhere in today's programme but the players have success in their own hands. It sounds simple I know, and it will be far from that, but get in the Play-Offs and then anything can happen.

The Play-Offs are such a lottery. We've been beaten in the semi-finals and the final in the last two seasons. The first year we were defeated by York having ran Stevenage close for the title. And then last season, as we all know, we came into the semi-finals in okay form, beat Wrexham really well but lost on penalties in the final to AFC Wimbledon. Will it be third time lucky?

The players know what they have to do. They also know that they will have to impress the new manager, whoever that may be, to get their name on the teamsheet.

A new man will have his own ideas, his own thinking and will want to see players giving their all. The group of players that he will inherit are fantastic professionals. Both in terms of ability and character.

Today we face a Hayes & Yeading team who need the points just as badly as we do. The 2-2 draw at their place back in August seems an age ago but it still hurts having seen us squander the lead and miss two penalties. That's been the story of our season.

Your support of the lads has never wavered. Please keep it up at this vital stage of the season and act as our 12th man.

Enjoy the game.

Alan.



FROM THE BOARDROOM

A MESSAGE FROM THE DIRECTORS

Good afternoon everyone and a warm welcome to Kenilworth Road to all the officials, players and supporters of Hayes & Yeading United.

Easter is always an important time in the season because once it's over so, almost, is the season. This year there will only be five games left and a couple of weeks before it's all over and we know our fate, Play-Offs or nothing. The most disappointing aspect of the season has been our form against the top teams and we will have to improve to have any chance of progressing if we make it that far.

What an eventful time since David Wilkinson wrote the last notes for the York game. Another disappointing result led to the departure of Gary Brabin. Despite the obvious antipathy of large numbers of supporters, Gary was a popular figure at the training ground and round the Club, appreciated by his colleagues and players alike. He had a great sense of humour and was fun to be around. His presence will be missed. Although, for whatever reason, it did not work out for him here we feel sure that his single-mindedness and perseverance will bring him success in the future and we all wish him well.

Everyone at the club will have fond memories of Gary's tenure here. Whether it be our commercial manager, press officer, groundsman, stadium manager or financial controller.

We will remember him as an unlucky manager. The past year has seen personal grief, and his squad have been beset by injuries to important players which has led to inconsistency on the pitch.

We witnessed some good performances during Gary's time in charge. Who can forget the Play-Off semi-final against Wrexham last year? Especially the 3-0 victory at the Racecourse. Although not up to that standard, we got very close in the final against AFC Wimbledon. The crushing disappointment of that defeat, on penalties, was perhaps the beginning of the end.

From the moment Gary was asked to leave, the process of finding his replacement began in earnest. Applicants were invited to submit their CVs and applications within 48 hours. There were over 50 applications from managers, assistants and coaches of mostly very high quality.

We felt there were some vital characteristics that the new man needed to have. We were looking for proven ability, the right style, ambition, desire, people skills, character, knowledge, contacts, experience, potential, presence, and that unknown quality that you can just feel when someone is sitting in front of you.

Because of the obvious time constraints the list was whittled down to a shortlist of eight and those interviews took place on Tuesday and Wednesday of last week.

The initial interviews, which included an innovative points scoring system, were undertaken by our technical director Lil Fucillo and managing director Gary Sweet and the most favoured candidates were then seen by other members of the Board.

The final decision, which by now you will be aware of, was made on Wednesday evening and negotiations with the chosen individual then began.

There were many worthy candidates some for the short term, some long, and others for both. Some are simply just not for Luton Town. However, there were several exceptional people with whom those of us who were involved in the process were highly impressed and we are excited at the prospect of seeing the new man at work.

We will only know if we have made the right choice when we see his team perform, and we will give him every support and encouragement he needs to make this happen.

Enjoy the game

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Blue Square Premier:

Runners-up 2009/10

Southern League Division One:

Runners-up 1894/95, 1895/96

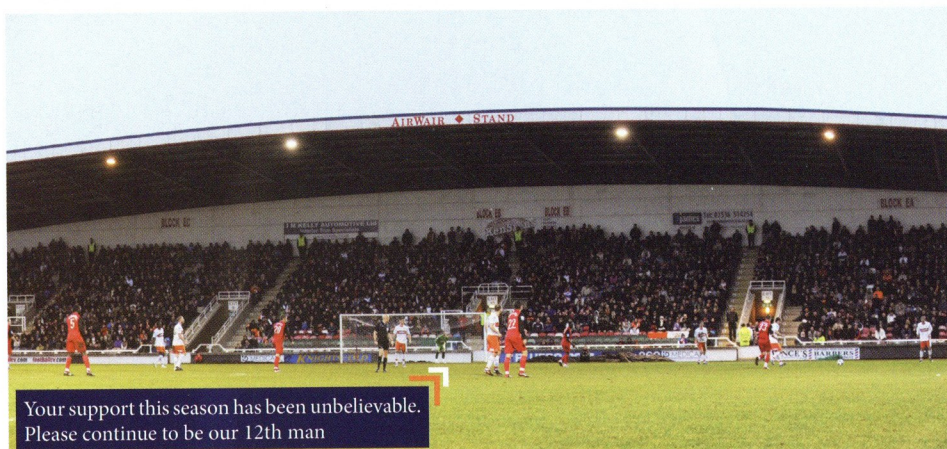
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Welcome back and Happy Easter to you all as we look forward to this afternoon's Blue Square Bet Premier fixture with Hayes & Yeading United.

I'm writing these notes on the way home from our postponed trip to Gateshead on Tuesday night and due to printing deadlines I can't comment on how we played at Braintree Town on Saturday.

Easter is always a hugely important part of the season and given our current circumstances it's even more vital that we come through the two matches with a healthy points return. Fingers crossed we achieved a positive result on Saturday which would give us a massive boost ahead of today's game.

Earlier in the season we found Braintree to be a tough nut to crack here at Kenilworth Road and following their promotion they have had an excellent first season at this level. Our visitors this afternoon have enjoyed two good seasons in this league but have found it tougher this time around and find themselves in the bottom four.

It means today's game takes on a great deal of significance for both ourselves and Hayes & Yeading as we both want all three points for very different reasons. If Hayes & Yeading's last result is anything to go by then we're going to be in for a good test this afternoon. A 2-1 win at Southport is a fantastic result for anybody and while it helped them in their bid for survival it also gave us a little boost, beating a Southport side we are battling with to get into the play-offs.

These are my first notes since the departure of Gary Brabin. As I write these notes Alan Neilson and Paul Carden are currently in caretaker charge but, from what I have heard from Gary Sweet, it seems we could have a new manager already in place as you read this.

As a group we were all saddened to see Gary leave. He is a fantastic manager and a great person and I'm gutted that it did not work out for him here. Had we won promotion last season, or not had to contend with a horrific injury list throughout the course of this season, then who knows, he could still be here.

However, we move on and whoever the next manager

is will have a fantastic opportunity. Any manager worth their salt would want to take over at this club. The history and tradition and, of course, the huge fanbase it has, are huge pulls. And then you've got the possibility of helping the club back into the Football League.

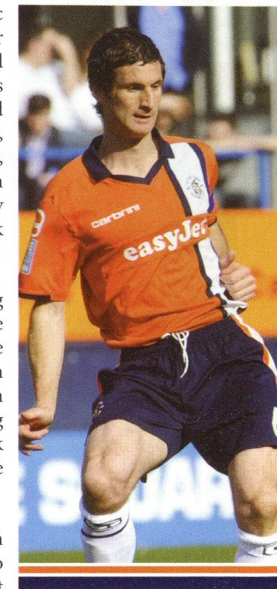
That's what we're aiming for and something we have aspired to ever since the season began. It's not been easy and at times it's been thoroughly disappointing but we cannot look back and think what might have been.

Never has the final month of the season been so important to us. In recent seasons we have almost been guaranteed our place in the Play-Offs having been in with a chance of automatic promotion. This time round we have struggled but we're not out of it and, putting it simply, it is in our own hands.

We need to raise our game and fight for the right for a place in the top five because we have a lot of big games still play, including a trip to Fleetwood on the last day of the season.

The league table doesn't lie. We are where we are and it's up to us to turn things around. If we finish in the Play-Offs then we have as good a chance of any of winning promotion.

Get behind us again today and enjoy the game.



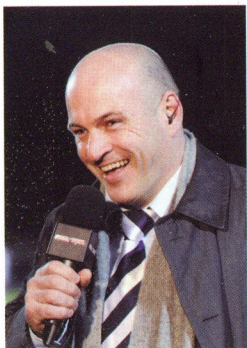
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AROUND TOWN

GOODBYE AND GOOD LUCK GARY



Last Saturday the Hatters announced that Gary Brabin's contract as first team manager had been terminated.

The Board have reluctantly come to the decision following the team's poor run of recent form that has seen the Hatters slip to sixth position in the Blue Square Bet

Premier after a run of just one victory in seven league fixtures.

With promotion still the Club's objective, the Board felt it necessary to relieve Gary of his duties following Friday night's 2-1 home defeat to York City at Kenilworth Road.

Managing Director Gary Sweet told Talk of the Town: "The Board felt the manner of the recent performances and results were unacceptable and while they believe it is right that Gary is, ultimately, accountable, they have also been dissatisfied and surprised with the attitude of certain members of the playing staff over the past month.

"Gary has been accepting and understanding of his departure and has been dignified and loyal to the club throughout."

WIN BIG WITH BLUE SQUARE

Blue Square Bet Premier attendances will pass 1,000,000 for the season this Easter and a very special prize will be won to help celebrate.

League sponsor and leading online bookmaker Blue Square will award the millionth person through the turnstiles two tickets to the Blue Square Bet Premier Promotion Final on Sunday 20th May. They will watch the match from the Royal Box at Wembley Stadium, get first class train tickets to and from the game and enjoy a massive £500 free bet.

With all of the league's teams playing both home and away between Good Friday and Tuesday 10th April, the millionth person will walk through the gates this weekend and it could happen at any one of the division's 24 grounds.

"More than 950,000 fans have come through the doors already this season and we know that we are going to hit the 1,000,000 mark over Easter," said Blue Square's PR Manager Alan Alger.

"We wanted to give something back to the loyal fans to mark the occasion by offering them the chance to win a prize that money can't buy. We look forward to welcoming a very lucky winner and their guest to the Royal Box at Wembley next month."

Brian Lee, Chairman of the Football Conference, added: "To reach a total attendance of 1,000,000 in the top division at this stage is a real achievement and it puts us on course for a record campaign. It shows how much the fans have been enjoying the fantastic football all our clubs have helped serve up this season and that the competition as a whole is very attractive and going from strength to strength."

Supporters attending a Blue Square Bet Premier game over Easter have a chance of being the millionth fan. The millionth fan will be contacted by Blue Square via their club. A season ticket holder would be contacted via records held at their club. In the event of a matchday ticket holder being the millionth fan, their ticket number will be published on www.bluesqfootball.com, so ticket stubs should be retained. The winner/winning ticket will be announced on Wednesday 11th April.

JOIN THE JUNIOR HATTERS!

Today we launch our new and improved Junior Hatters membership club for our young supporters.

The club is absolutely free to join and it's the only way for young supporters to follow the Town.

By getting closer to the Hatters, especially Happy Harry, you'll receive loads of goodies exclusive to the Junior Hatters! Once registered you will be a Junior Hatter until you reach the age of 16.

But the best thing about becoming a member is that it's completely free.

Membership Benefits:

- Membership Card with personal log in number
- E-card at Christmas time and Birthday
- A quarterly newsletter
- 1 Free home league ticket*
- Free admission to all Reserve games**
- 10% discount on tickets for all accompanying adults
- 10% discount at the Club Shop.
- Monthly draws to be a Mascot or Ball Boy
- A dedicated room for all JH at home games

* Provided the JH is accompanied by a paying adult

** Provided the JH is accompanied by an adult whose ticket is also free

All existing members will automatically be moved over to the new Junior Hatters and will receive all their paid for benefits until the end of the season.

For further information contact Junior Hatters via email at juniorthatters@lutontown.co.uk.

YORK GOLDEN GAMBLE

The winner of our Golden Gamble against York City went home a little happier despite the result after picking up £595.

John Bovington, from Wellingborough, picked up the cash prize after his ticket number 34710 was plucked from the barrel at half-time.

Look out for sellers in and around the ground this afternoon. Remember tickets cost just £1.

WELCOME BARTON ROVERS



We're delighted to welcome Barton Rovers Youth as our club partnership club this afternoon.

The club was formed 33 years ago in 1978, by a few parents whose Children wanted to play football. A team was established under the name of Barton Corinthians. In 1983 they changed their name to Barton Rovers Youth FC, as their home ground was on the playing fields next to the main pitch.



In 1986 Barton Rovers Youth joined forces with Barton Rovers FC and enjoyed a working relationship with each other for a number of years, but the two clubs kept their own objectives and didn't really work together, thus in 1999 both clubs went their separate ways. Over the next 10 years Barton Rovers FC helped the youth section to gain a Soccer Foundation grant for the new pavilion to be built, this was to be used by the youth section.

In 2010 Barton Rovers Youth had a change of committee, the main objective has been to join up with Barton Rovers FC, and the new committee is driving forward with this and great inroads have been made. Youth Payers have been attending Barton Rovers FC home matches and on selected weekends the younger teams are Mascots for the day. This has brought the players and parents to the club and made everyone feel part of Barton Rovers FC. The intention for the coming season is that the youth section will be known as Barton Rovers and will be dropping the Youth from their name.

Good news spreads fast, as a result they have been able to obtain some great players. They are also in the process of fundraising to bring an astro turf training facility on site, this alone has made it a worthwhile partnership

They hope to enjoy many years working in partnership with Barton Rovers FC and Luton Town, and that the youth side continues to grow stronger.

Today we have representatives from the following teams:

Barton Rovers Under-10s, who have already won the BYSL Division 3 title.

Barton Rovers Under-12A, currently playing in Division 1 CYL and sitting mid-table.

Barton Rovers Under-12B, currently playing Division 3 CYL and currently sitting in mid-table.

Barton Rovers Under-13A; Who have just won the Beds FA county Cup also playing in Division 1 CYL sitting in third place and one point behind leaders with two games in hand.

Barton Rovers Under-13B: Who are currently in top spot of Division 5 CYL with clear of second place.

Barton Rovers Under-15 Saturday Currently playing Division 2 of the BYSL sitting in second place and through to the semi-finals of the league shield.

Barton Rovers Under-15 Sun Currently playing in Div 3 CYL and sitting mid-table.

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WELCOME

**HAYES & YEADING
UNITED**



There's little doubt that today is going to be a good game. It will be tense, there will be nerves and for one of the two teams this afternoon there will be disappointment.

The Town are chasing vital points to lift them into the Blue Square Bet Premier's play-off spots. Meanwhile our visitors Hayes & Yeading will fighting for the points to lift them out of the division's bottom four.

For the past two seasons United have defied the odds and bookies' pre-season predictions of a season of struggle. A 17th place finish in their maiden season at this level in 2009/10 was followed by a 16th place finish last season.

As we went to press ahead of the Easter Holiday printing deadlines, Nas Bashir's side lie in 21st place, four points adrift from safety. That deficit could be as little as just one point now if United have beat Cambridge on Saturday and Newport, Telford and Stockport had all lost.

Last Saturday today's visitors pulled off a big surprise by winning 2-1 at promotion chasing Southport thanks to a last-gasp goal from Julian Owusu.

It was Bashir's side fifth away win of the season and gave them a huge boost in their fight for survival.

It was another fine result in an inconsistent season for United. The Hatters caught them on one of their good days way back in August at Kingfield when holding Gary

Brabin's side to a 2-2 draw.

On that night the Town were guilty of missing two penalties and United were able to fight back from going 2-1 down following goals from Amari Morgan-Smith and Danny Crow.

United come into this Easter Monday fixture with hope and expectation of securing a fourth season in non-league top flight and having won three of their last six games prior to Saturday's game with Cambridge. That run of form has given Bashir's side a real chance of beating the drop to the Blue Square Bet South.

United have had mixed fortunes when visiting Kenilworth Road in the last two trips here. In March 2010 they were on the receiving end of an 8-0 hammering as the Hatters ran riot, scoring seven goals in the first 35 minutes.

Last season, however, it was a different story when a United team including former Hatter Peter Holmes earned a 1-1 draw at Kenilworth Road. Andy Drury scored the Town's equaliser on an afternoon of frustration for Richard Money's side.

Given the state of the league table, both sides need the points for very different reasons today but will anything other than three points for either side be good enough at this business end of the campaign?



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THE VISITORS

HISTORY

Hayes & Yeading United Football Club was created in May 2007 following the merger of both Hayes and Yeading Football Clubs after the two clubs' respective Chairmen, Derek Goodall and Philip Spurdun agreed that the only way either club could continue, long term, at the level they were playing would be to join forces as a single entity.

Prior to the joining of forces, both clubs were due to hit significant landmarks in their respective histories. The Missioners were just two years short of their centenary while the Ding were just one further year away from celebrating their half century.

In the club's maiden season of 2007/08 the new team finished a respectable 13th in the Conference South before winning promotion through the Play-Offs in 2008/09, with victory over Hampton & Richmond Borough.

In their first campaign in the Blue Square Premier, Haylock's men rubbished the bookmakers' predictions of an immediate return to Level 2 of the non-league pyramid when a fantastic season saw United finish in 17th and do the double over Oxford.

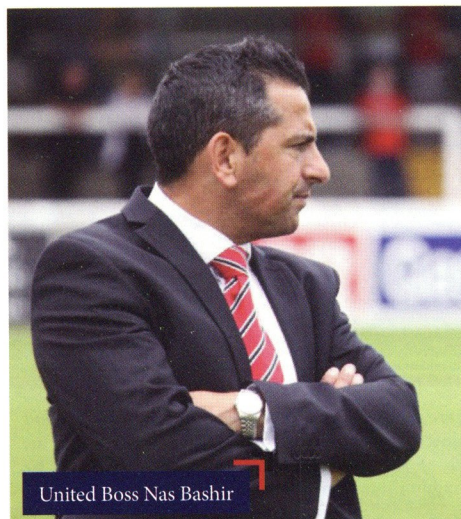
Last term was a season of struggle for United but once more the club survived, finishing their second campaign in the Blue Square Bet Premier in 16th place – going one better than the previous term.

MEET THE MANAGER

Nas, one of the brightest young coaches in the national game took over the managerial reigns at

Hayes and Yeading United following the departure of Garry Haylock in the summer of 2011.

A former professional and non-league player, he began his professional coaching career at Wycombe



United Boss Nas Bashir

Wanderers before moving to Reading FC where he quickly earned promotion to Assistant Academy Director at the Madejski Stadium.

It was at Reading that Nas developed and guided many players through to the first team squad of the Royals and other professional clubs.

He gained his UEFA Pro Licence in 2008, graduating alongside the likes of former Manchester United midfield general Roy Keane and New Zealand international boss Ricki Herbert.

A highly sought-after and well-connected coach, during his time at Reading he worked alongside managers Steve Coppell, Alan Pardew and Brendan Rodgers. He has also worked with the England Under-21 and Under-19 squads, the Northern Ireland Under-21s and the Tottenham Under-18 team amongst others.

IN OPPOSITION

UNITED BOSS PLOTTING GREAT ESCAPE

Hayes & Yeading manager Nas Bashir has challenged his team to win at least two of their final few games in their quest to avoid relegation from the Blue Square Bet South.

United arrive at Kenilworth Road today having won their last match away from their Kingfield home – a hugely impressive 2-1 win at promotion chasing Southport.

Julian Owusu's last-minute winner gave Bashir's side all three points at Haig Avenue last Saturday.

Former Hatters loanee and current United captain Jamie Hand put them ahead from the penalty spot after Piero Mingola was tripped in the box by Simon Grand.

However, Southport levelled when they were awarded a penalty of their own shortly before the hour mark when Tony Gray was fouled by Pele and Gray duly converted from 12 yards.

Just when it looked like the points were going to be shared, Owusu found space in the box to arrow a fine effort past Tony McMillan in the Southport goal to boost United's chances of staving off relegation for the third season in succession.

Having won at Haig Avenue last week, United hosted Cambridge United two days ago at Kingfield.

But following their fifth away win of the season, Bashir is hopeful of continuing their decent form of late that had seen them win three of their last six matches prior to Saturday's game with Cambridge.

Bashir said: "We've got six games to go and we



Julian Owusu

know what our task is: we need to get two to three wins.

"If we play like we did against Lincoln then we can beat anybody in this league.

"Every game we play is a cup final, as we have been saying for a few weeks now. We are not looking to lose or draw; we've got to get the three points."

IN TOWN

GOALKEEPER

Steve Arnold

Stopper who arrived at Hayes & Yeading in August 2011 on a short term loan from npower League side Wycombe Wanderers which was soon extended until the end of the season. Started his career as a youngster with Arsenal and Norwich City, has Conference experience with Grays Athletic. He is yet to make his first team bow for Wycombe and has come to United to increase his first team experience. Saved two first half penalties on his debut in the victory over Alfreton Town, a feat repeated against Luton Town just five games later.

DEFENDERS

Yassin Moutaouakil

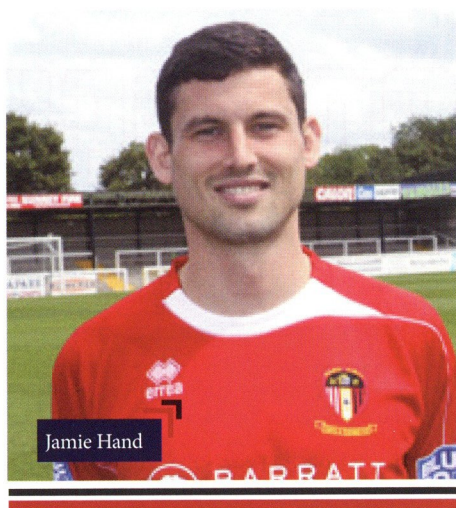
Nice-born full-back of Moroccan descent who joined Hayes & Yeading just prior to Christmas in 2011 having departed Charlton Athletic in the summer of 2010. Yassin began his career in Ligue 2 in his native France with Châteauroux, making 36 appearances including one in the 2004/05 UEFA Cup before a fee of around £400,000 saw him join Charlton Athletic in June 2007. He went on to make over 30 appearances for the Addicks before moving north of the border on a six month loan spell with Motherwell, for whom he made a further 15 appearances including two against each of the old firm. He has a 2005 UEFA European under-19 Champions medal and has also captained France at under-21.

Tom Cadmore

England C international centre-half who originally joined United in August 2007 on a three-month loan deal from League 2 side Wycombe Wanderers, making his debut in the Club's inaugural fixture at Lewes that same month. When released by the Chairboys during the summer of 2008, then manager Garry Haylock responded quickly to secure his services in a bid to shore up the previously porous United defence.

Pelé

Experienced former West Bromwich Albion and



Jamie Hand

Southampton defender who joined Hayes & Yeading from Hednesford Town in January 2012 having relocated to the south of England. Pelé is a Portuguese-born Cape Verdean international central defender or defensive midfielder who began his career in his native Portugal before joining Southampton for a reputed £1 million fee in July 2006. In August 2007 another £1 million transfer saw him join West Brom in what turned out to be a promotion season. From The Baggies he moved north to join Falkirk before joining MK Dons. Next stop was Northwich Victoria before he settled in with Hednesford Town at the start of the current campaign.

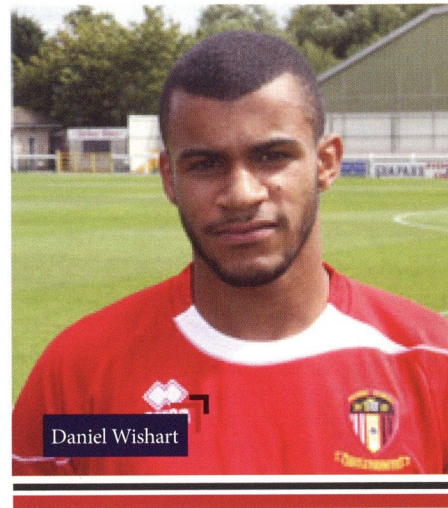
Dan Spence

Full-back who arrived at Hayes & Yeading in September 2011 having ended last season with Mansfield Town. Dan started his career in the academy at Reading during which time he had a short loan spell at Woking. A subsequent loan to Salisbury City saw Dan play against United in City's 4-3 victory at Church Road in August 2009. Upon his release by Reading he embarked on an 18-month stint at the Huddle academy in Spain until signing for Mansfield in January 2011, he was however released by the Stags in May.

MIDFIELDERS

Dwane Lee

Experienced Grenadian international midfielder who began his career with Yeading before a loan spell at Aldershot was followed by a move to Exeter City in 2003. Spent one season with the Grecians before



Daniel Wishart

switching to Barnet whom he helped to win the Conference National title in 2005. After half a season in League Two with the Bees, he dropped back into non-league football with Kidderminster before having spells with Stevenage, Maidenhead, Kettering, Halesowen, AFC Wimbledon, Bromley and Boreham Wood. Joined Lewes in the summer of 2011, moving to Hayes & Yeading in October the same year.

Luke Williams

Promising goalscoring midfielder who joined Hayes & Yeading in July 2011 from Hellenic Premier Division side Binfield. He was signed by Binfield in January 2011 having netted 13 times in 16 games for Woodley Town. Has also been attracting attention from professional sides much higher up the pyramid.

Jamie Hand

No stranger to Kenilworth Road having made 15 appearances on loan with the Hatters this season. The midfielder anchor joined United in the summer of 2010 having ended the previous season at Woking. Jamie began his career at Watford, making 55 appearances for the Hornets before several loan spells ended with him joining Chester City, then Lincoln City. Spent 2008/09 with Ebbsfleet United in the Blue Square Premier before spells with Chelmsford City in the Blue Square South and Hemel Hempstead.

Daniel Wishart

Capable of playing in a variety of positions, Daniel is another product of the Club's youth scheme and has continued to impress at all levels. Dan's signature was much sought after and it was a boost for the Club



when he signed a contract with Hayes & Yeading United in December 2009. He is a pacey left-sided player who has also seen playing time this season in the left-back role where he has been a great success.

Freddie Warren

Tenacious central midfielder who arrived at Hayes & Yeading United in February 2012 on a short term youth loan from npower League 1 leaders Charlton Athletic. Freddie has been with the Addicks from under-9 level and signed his first professional contract with Charlton at the end of last season. He has also had loan spells with Staines Town, Boreham Wood and Concord Rangers prior to coming to United.

STRIKERS

Piero Mingoia

Young winger who joined Hayes & Yeading on loan towards the end of March 2012 as Nas Bashir looks to force his way out of the Conference danger zone. Piero joined the Hornets as a 13-year-old and signed his first professional contract at Vicarage Road in 2010.

Dan Evans

Promising young forward who joined Hayes & Yeading on loan from npower League 2 side Crawley Town in March 2012. Dan is a former Peterborough United youth graduate who joined the Reds in January 2012. He has been regularly on the scoresheet for Crawley at both reserve and youth teams levels and is now aiming for a successful step up to Conference football with United.

Julian Owusu

London-born striker of Ghanaian heritage who joined Hayes & Yeading in January 2012 having ended last season with Berekum Chelsea who won the Ghana Premier League title. Julian started with another Ghanaian side in 2008, playing for Eleven Wise again in the Ghana Premier League, returned to the UK in 2009 and joined Ryman side Merstham before returning to Ghana once more with the aforementioned Berekum Chelsea.



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CLASSIC CAMPAIGN

2008-09

Hayes & Yeading won promotion to the Blue Square Premier in 2008/09. Garry Haylock's side lost their opening two matches but then soared to the top of the Blue Square South table with eight successive wins, including a 2-1 victory at home to eventual champions AFC Wimbledon. They triumphed 5-1 at Newport County but slipped out of the title race with just one win in 10 games. United gained 12 wins in an unbeaten 14-match run-in and qualified for the Play-Offs in fourth place. They defeated Eastleigh 6-4 in the semi-finals, then Steve Gregory grabbed a hat-trick in a 3-2 win over Hampton & Richmond in the final.

MANAGING TO SUCCEED

Garry Haylock

Garry Haylock plotted Hayes & Yeading's 2008/09 Blue Square South Play-Off final triumph. A former striker, he turned professional with Huddersfield Town in July 1989 and scored on his League debut to clinch their 1-1 draw at Bolton Wanderers in February 1991. He moved to Shelbourne in November 1991, then played for Linfield, Portadown, Greek side Panionios, Shelbourne again, Glenavon, Glentoran, Dundalk, Basingstoke Town, Sutton United, Team Bath and Walton & Hersham. Appointed manager of the newly-merged Hayes & Yeading in May 2007, he steered them clear of relegation danger in 2009/10 with a run of five successive wins.

FAB FOUR

Les Ferdinand

Striker Les Ferdinand gained 12 England caps after leaving Hayes. Initially with Viking Sports, he played for Southall in the 1986 FA Vase final and moved via Hayes to QPR for an initial £15,000 in March 1987. He returned from loan spells at Brentford and 1988 Turkish Cup winners Besiktas to become Rangers' top scorer four times prior to joining Newcastle United for £6,000,000 in June 1995, with £590,000 going to Hayes. Voted PFA Player of the Year in 1996, he reunited with Gerry Francis at Spurs in August

1997 and helped win the Worthington Cup in 1999, then played for West Ham, Leicester City, Bolton Wanderers, Reading and Watford.

Cyrille Regis

Striker Cyrille Regis was capped five times by England after leaving Hayes. He played for Brent Valley and Molesey before joining Hayes in July 1976. Leading scorer in 1976/77, he moved to West Brom for an initial £5,000 in May 1977 and was voted PFA Young Player of the Year in 1979. He starred as the Baggies were FA Cup and League Cup semi-finalists in 1981/82 and qualified for the UEFA Cup three times. Joining Coventry City in October 1984, he helped them win the FA Cup in 1987, then played for Aston Villa, Wolves, Wycombe and Chester.

Jason Roberts

Former Hayes striker Jason Roberts played for Wigan Athletic in the 2006 Carling Cup final. A cousin of Cyrille Regis, he impressed with Hayes before moving to Wolves in September 1997 and was loaned to Torquay United and Bristol City. Joining Bristol Rovers in August 1998, he moved to West Brom in July 2000. He helped win promotion in 2001/02 and joined Wigan Athletic for £2,000,000 in January 2004. A promotion winner again in 2004/05, the Grenada international moved to Blackburn Rovers for £3,000,000 in July 2006. He received the MBE in recognition of his charity work in Grenada and the East End. Now playing for Reading.

Andy Impey

Winger Andy Impey gained England Under-21 honours after leaving Yeading. He helped Yeading win the FA Vase shortly before joining QPR in June 1990 and starred as they finished fifth in the Premier League in 1992/93. Voted 'Player of the Year' as Rangers reached the FA Cup sixth round in 1994/95, he moved to West Ham for £1,300,000 in September 1997. Switching to a wing-back role, he was sold to Leicester City for £1,600,000 in November 1998 and featured in their 2000 Worthington Cup final triumph. He helped them regain top-flight status at the first attempt in 2002/03, then played for Nottingham Forest and Coventry City before retiring.



COMMERCIAL BREAK

WITH DAVID HOSKINS

Good afternoon and welcome back to Kenilworth Road for another important match in the Blue Square Bet Premier, against Hayes & Yeading United.

Today we have the pleasure of welcoming NICEIC as the match sponsor, the Army Careers Office Luton as a match-ball sponsor and two mascots to Kenilworth Road today.

We are also delighted to welcome back former Hatters and England striker Paul Walsh as our special guest speaker at our kit sponsors and end of season dinner, sponsored by A-Plan Insurance, on Wednesday 9th May 2012.

Walsh, who is now a fixture on Sky Sports' Soccer Saturday show, netted 24 goals in Town colours and he'll be reminiscing about his time at Kenilworth Road on Wednesday 9th May.

Tickets cost just £40, which includes a two-course buffet meal, and together with Paul's memories, entertainment on the night will also include an auction, raffle and a disco until the small hours. Ticket sales are proving to be incredibly popular.

The night kicks-off at 7.30pm and if you wish to purchase tickets please contact the Commercial Department on 01582 411622 or email commercial@lutontown.co.uk.

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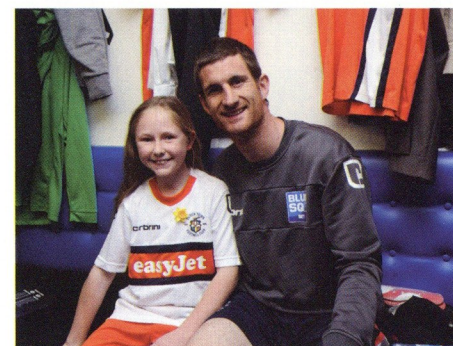
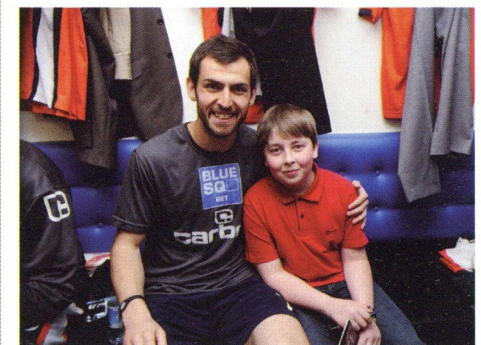
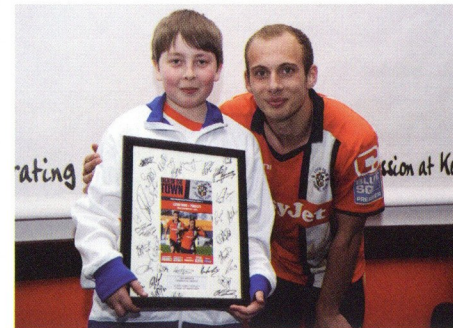
We're pleased to welcome two mascots to Kenilworth Road this afternoon.

First up is Bastien Semmerud-Garcia from Norway. Bastien's favourite player is Danny Crow and today is attending his first game at Kenilworth Road.

Next up is Ellisha Hockham from Ipswich. Ellisha attends Thomas Walsey Special School and her favourite player is Danny Crow.



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LOOK BACK



TOWN 1-2 YORK CITY LATE SHOW STUNS TOWN



The Town let a half-time lead slip as two goals in the final 10 minutes gave promotion rivals York victory at Kenilworth Road.

Ahead thanks to Andre Gray's second goal in as many games the Hatters contrived to throw away their advantage in the closing stages.

Patrick McLaughlin's goal on 80 minutes brought the Minstermen level and worse followed for the Town four minutes from time when City secured all three points when James Meredith tapped home.

Town started well and got off to the perfect start by taking a vital early lead on five minutes. Danny Crow's flick- on found Gray in the box and, after holding off the attentions of his marker, the striker blasted home from a tight angle.

Gray came close to adding another to his tally four minutes later when he took Alex Lawless' pass 20 yards out and tested Michael Ingham, the York goalkeeper, who made a comfortable stop, diving down to his right.

Ingham then came to the visitors' rescue twice in quick succession on 12 minutes when he did well to prevent the Town doubling their advantage. York centre-back Chris Doig made a hash of a clearance on the edge of his own box which gave Crow the chance to shoot at goal. Ingham was equal to that left-foot shot before Gray, following up on the rebound, blasted a shot goalwards that the keeper did even better to keep out with his foot.

On 29 minutes, Mark Tyler did brilliantly to read Jamie Reed's effort after the striker had sneaked ahead of the Town defence to latch onto McLaughlin's clever pass. Then, three minutes later, out of nothing, Lanre Oyebanjo saw a 25-yard effort ping back off the post with Tyler beaten.

There was no doubt that the Minstermen had bossed the final 10 minutes of the first half but it was the Town that came out all guns blazing after the break.

Janos Kovacs joins the Town attack



Crow had a great chance to make it 2-0 on 52 minutes when a York clearance fell his way before Gray spurned an even better chance three minutes later. Tenacious pace from Godfrey Poku forced the ball into Gray's direction but, with Ingham to beat, the goalscorer, could only find the legs of the York custodian from 12 yards.

However, the Minstermen, like they did a fortnight ago, stole an equaliser: the Hatters fell asleep from a right-wing free-kick, conceded after Jake Howells' foul on Jason Walker, and McLaughlin, unmarked on the edge of the box, saw an effort bounce past Tyler.

It was a huge kick in the teeth for the Town and worse followed with just four minutes left on the clock when York won it. The Hatters failed to clear a right-wing corner, and although Ashley Chambers' firm shot from the edge of the box was brilliantly parried out by Tyler, Meredith was on hand to knock the rebound home to complete the turnaround.



TOWN

Gray 5



YORK CITY

McLaughlin 80, Meredith 86

1

2

TOWN: Tyler, Osano, Pilkington, Kovacs, Howells, Lawless, Keane, Poku (sub Watkins 85), Willmott, Crow (sub McAllister 58), Gray (sub Fleetwood 73). Subs not used: Blackett, Kissock.

YORK: Ingham, Oyebango, Meredith, Smith, Reed (sub Chambers 64), Walker, Blair, Challinor (sub Bopp 69), Doig, McLaughlin (sub Parslow 90), Gibson. Subs not used: Moke, Blinkhorn.

ATTENDANCE: 5,925

POSSESSION



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Keith Keane tackles from behind



Janos Kovacs heads at goal



Andre Gray fires the Town in front

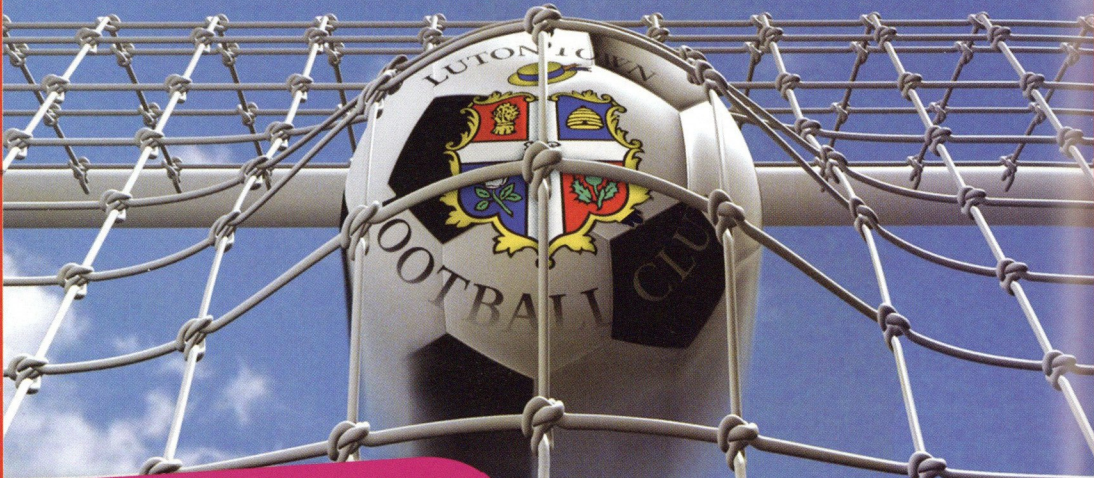


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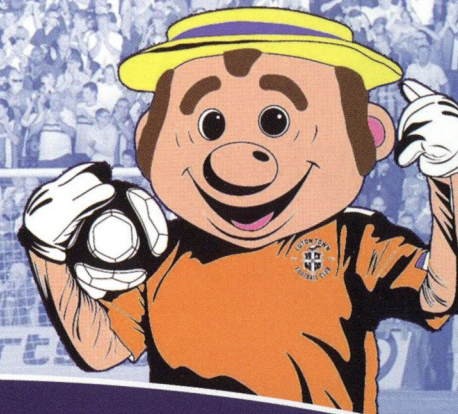


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The exhibition will feature stands from the Hatters Business Breakfast Club members and several sponsors of Luton Town. Entry is free of charge.

The Hatters Business Breakfast Club, which was set up in 2011, holds monthly business networking meetings at Kenilworth Road. Many of its members are prominent local businesses, each representing a different business sector and ranging from sole traders to large global organisations. The purpose of the Hatters Business Breakfast Club is not only to benefit its members through networking, but is also designed to benefit the Club.

Commercial manager David Hoskins and founder of the Hatters Business Breakfast Club told Talk of the Town: "The exhibition will be a fantastic opportunity for all local businesses to network and meet a wide variety of people who will be showcasing great products and services. We will have a maximum of 20 exhibitors and visitors will be able to sample products, make appointments and, most importantly, forge new business connections."

So why not come along to the exhibition? It will be a great opportunity to network with local businesses and meet new people and build mutually beneficial relationships. The exhibition is a chance to expand your markets by generating new business contacts with potential customers, suppliers and partners and get the best deals face to face, or see what your competitor is offering. Entry is FREE.

On the day there will be appearances from some of the Luton Town first team players; canapés and refreshments will also be available.

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The Hatters are delighted to announce that season ticket prices for the 2012/13 season have been frozen.

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Once again the support received from our loyal fans over the course of this season has been magnificent, far exceeding that of any other club at our level.

This is an amazing commitment, especially in such a difficult financial climate. Therefore, to mark this, the Club has frozen its base line prices for the 2012/13 season.

This year the Earlybird prices will run until 6th May, then Primetime will run from 7th May to 30th June and Anytime will follow from 1st July onwards. Don't forget our Under 17s season ticket offer when bought with a full paying adult is only £50

As usual we are giving fans a variety of options on how to either renew or purchase a season ticket. You will again be able to purchase in person at the Ticket Office, by phone (subject to demand), by post, or online at www.eticketing.co.uk/lutontown as well as being able to pay by cash, cheque, debit or credit card.

We are also pleased to announce we will be continuing the monthly instalment plans over four months (interest free) and eight months (fee bearing).

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Senior	65-74	180	7.83	310	210	9.13	340	240	10.43	370
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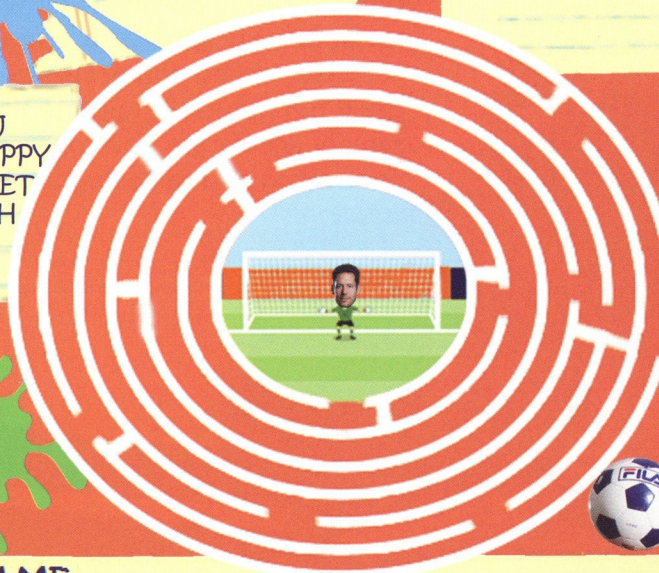
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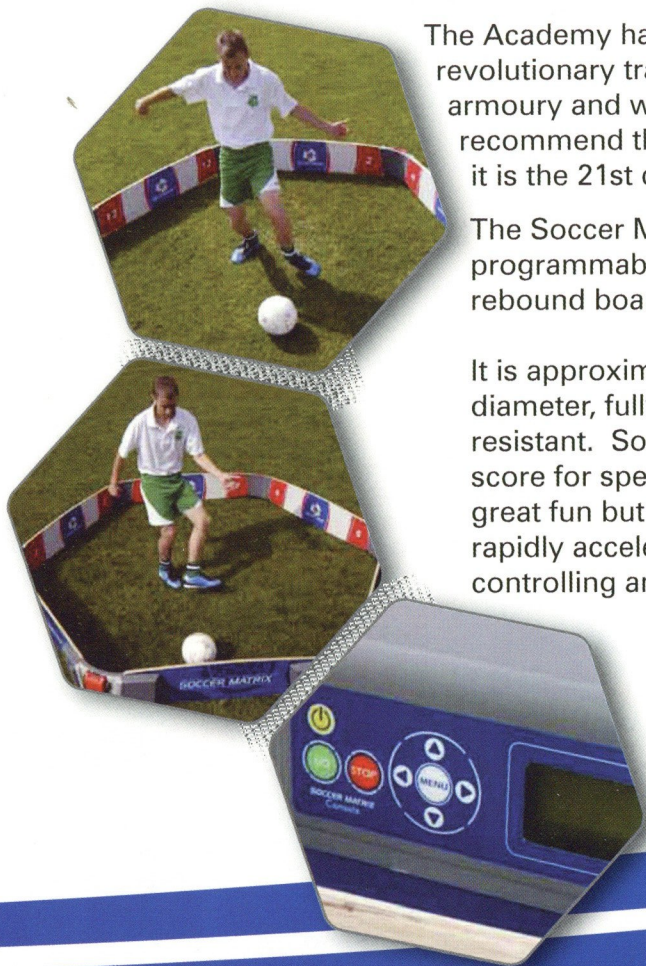
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SIMON PITTS LOOKS BACK ON GAMES PLAYED AT HOME ON THIS DAY

11

The number of games previously played on this date at Kenilworth Road. Luton have won six, drawn two and lost three. The Hatters have netted 23 goals and conceded 10.

0

The very first game on this date came in 1921 when Millwall were the visitors in a Third Division match. This was the only game of the 11 to finish goalless, and only one of two matches where Luton failed to score.

1

The second game saw both sides score once, and end up with a point each as Luton drew 1-1 with Plymouth Argyle in 1938 in a Second Division match. Charlie Ferguson scored the Town goal.

2

The Hatters scored twice without reply in 1955 when West Ham United were beaten courtesy of goals from Gordon Turner and George Cummins. This game saw the highest recorded attendance for a fixture at Kenilworth Road, on this date, of 27,148.

4

The most goals scored in one fixture on this date came in 1959 when Luton beat Nottingham Forest 5-1 in the First Division. Allan Brown netted four of the five goals, with Billy Bingham the other name on the scoresheet.

5

The number of goals scored on this date in 1960 and, unfortunately, three of them were scored by visitors Manchester United, when the Hatters lost 3-2 in a First Division fixture. Both Luton's goals were scored by George Cummins.

6

Just six years later and the Hatters were playing at Kenilworth Road, only this time it was in the Fourth Division against Darlington. John O'Rourke and Ray Whittaker were the scorers as the Hatters triumphed 2-0.

1

It was back into the top flight nine years later when Everton were beaten 2-1 courtesy of a brace scored by Peter Anderson in the final five minutes of the first half, after the visitors had taken the lead.

4

The fourth fixture in the top flight saw another victory for the Hatters. This time Aston Villa were beaten 2-1 in 1983. Trevor Aylott opened the scoring on the half hour, before Villa equalised just before half-time. David Moss scored a late winner to end a run of four consecutive defeats prior to this match.

13

It was an unlucky gap of 13 years, before the Hatters next played on this date in 1996 when Stoke City took maximum points in a 2-1 win at Kenilworth Road. Kim Grant opened the scoring just before half-time for the Town, but two goals in the last five minutes earned the Potters all three points.



Billy Bingham



PICTURE

THE PAST

WITH CLUB HISTORIAN ROGER WASH

Mick Harford demonstrates the art of heading the ball back across the goalkeeper when scoring during the 3-1 home win over Portsmouth in the FA Cup in March 1988

The Town had battled their way through to the FA Cup quarter-finals in 1987/88 by beating Hartlepool, Southampton and QPR and were set to face fellow Division One (now Premier League) Portsmouth at Kenilworth Road.

Danny Wilson got the Hatters off to the best possible start when rifling home Mick Harford's knock down after only three minutes and when Mark Stein doubled the lead on 22 minutes the game looked as good as over.

Pompey, though, had other ideas and Mick

Quinn reduced the deficit ten minutes later but then proceeded to get himself dismissed soon after the interval for elbowing Luton skipper Steve Foster. This act extinguished any thoughts of a comeback.

Harford scored the Town's third goal just before the end, converting a pin-point cross from full-back Tim Breacker, to give the game a more realistic scoreline.

Sadly the run ended soon after, as in the semi-final the Hatters went down to Wimbledon at White Hart Lane.

THE CAMERA

NEVER LIES

BY CLUB HISTORIAN ROGER WASH

Brothers Neil and Bruce Rioch, in their Sunday best, put pen to paper to sign for Tommy Docherty's Aston Villa in July 1969

The fee for Bruce Rioch – Neil was regarded, cruelly, by the press as a 'makeweight' - given as £100,000, was a record for Division Three (now League One) at the time and there were many unhappy Luton supporters wondering how the Hatters would manage to replace the goals the powerful inside forward had banged in as the Town attempted to surge up through the divisions.

The mood of the supporters was not softened when a little known full-back from Fulham was signed with some of the money a week later.

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Profile:

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 ROUNDS-UP THE LAST WEEK IN THE BLUE SQUARE BET PREMIER

It has been a week of change at Kenilworth Road after the defeat at the hands of York City.

With the Hatters playing Friday night in front of the Premier Sports cameras it was a chance for the teams around them to stake their claim in the Play-Off positions.

Southport failed to take advantage of the Town's slip but as a last minute winner from Julian Owusu pushed Hayes & Yeading closer to safety with a 2-1 win at Haig Avenue.

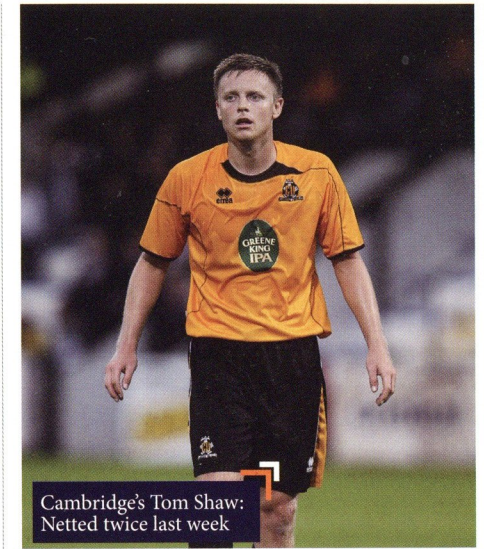
Gateshead were another team who could have been pushed closer to the Town this week but they also suffered a surprise defeat away at Newport. A goal from former Hatters Ryan Charles defeated the 10 man Tynesiders. Newport also picked up three points on Tuesday night when they beat York 2-1. The victory for Newport saw Bath City the first club in the top five divisions to be relegated.

The main beneficiaries of the Hatters' demise against York were Kidderminster Harriers. They picked up three points at Grimsby with a last-minute winner from Ryan Rowe. Late goals were a theme for the week for many teams.

It was a good week for a few of the teams threatened by relegation. Alfreton, where the Town head next on Saturday, picked up a victory at mid-table Braintree. They won 2-1 and are now 10 points clear of the drop zone.

Stockport won 3-1 at a doomed Kettering Town to lift themselves one place and four points above the relegation zone.

Lincoln City defeated Tamworth in what was a day to forget for Lambs: they scored two own goals to finish up on the wrong end of a 4-0 score line at Sincil Bank. This was followed by a 1-0 defeat at the hands of Cambridge on Tuesday night thanks to the second goal of the week by Tom Shaw.



Cambridge's Tom Shaw:
Netted twice last week

Cambridge were unlucky not to take maximum points from the week as Shaw had scored just after half-time on Saturday to put United 1-0 up at home to Wrexham. When it looked as though Cambridge had hung on for all three points, Rob Ogleby scored a vital goal for title-chasing Wrexham.

Forest Green Rovers picked up three points on Saturday as a Yan Klukowski hat-trick downed Barrow.

The most entertaining match of last week was at New Bucks Head where AFC Telford and Darlington shared six goals. Telford took the lead through Chris Sharp before Drewe Broughton and Ryan Bowman gave the away side a half time lead. Telford drew level in the 52nd-minute and Phil Trainer put Telford ahead on the hour mark but it was Darlington who had some much needed joy with an equaliser eight minutes from time from Daniel Lambert.

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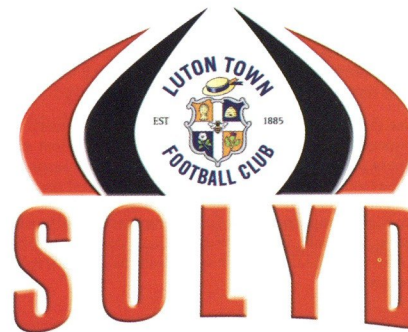
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SEPTEMBER			
TUE 6	SOUTHEND UNITED	W	1-0
NOVEMBER			
TUE 8	STEVENAGE	D	1-1
TUES 22	STEVENAGE	W	4-1
FEBRUARY			
WED 29	OXFORD UNITED	D	3-3
MARCH			
WED 28	OXFORD UNITED	W	5-2
APRIL			
WED 4	SOUTHEND UNITED	L	0-1
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Home games to be played at Kenilworth Road			

The Town's reserves lost their unbeaten record in the Football Combination after going down to a narrow defeat to Southend United at Kenilworth Road.

Ryan Auger's 70th-minute strike gave the Shrimpers all three points but the Hatters missed the chance to earn a late point when Charlie Henry saw a penalty saved 10 minutes from time.

Both sides fielded strong sides with Stuart Fleetwood and Craig McAllister forming a strike-partnership for the Town.

Southend came close to taking the lead as early as the eighth minute when Harry Crawford somehow missed from five yards following a left-wing cross.

John Paul Kissock, playing alongside Adam Watkins in the centre of midfield, dragged a shot wide of the target two minutes later before Lewis Kidd made a fine save to keep out Shamir Mullings' close range effort on the quarter-hour.

Off target efforts from Charlie Longden and Adam Watkins came and went for the Town as they slowly began to boss things before Dan Walker saw a left-foot shot just clear the crossbar on 40 minutes after Henry had done well to burst down the left flank.

Kissock saw a shot turned around the post two minutes before the break and two minutes after the restart Watkins drew a save from Southend goalkeeper Jack Payne after taking a neat pass from Walker.

Fleetwood and McAllister combined well a minute later in a

move that saw the former race clear of the Southend defence but after rounding the goalkeeper a last-ditch touch from a defender turned the ball behind for a corner.

As the Town continued to press Fleetwood was unlucky not to see the net bulge when his thunderous effort from 20 yards was spectacularly saved by Payne on 55 minutes.

Southend winger David Martin was causing the Hatters defence all sorts of problems down the left flank and Kidd came to the Town's rescue two minutes later when turning away the winger's piledriver.

Fleetwood burst clear of the Southend defence on 58 minutes but shot over the crossbar before Kidd again did well to thwart Martin by saving at his feet moments later.

It was end-to-end stuff as both teams hunted for the lead. Payne kept out another well-hit effort from Fleetwood on 64 minutes before Auger ballooned over the crossbar with the goal gaping two minutes later.

Kidd kept Martin at bay once more with another fine stop from point-blank range that warmed the palms of the Town goalkeeper, but he was helpless to prevent the Shrimpers from taking the lead on 70 minutes when Auger struck. Martin's effort from a free-kick hit the Town wall and spun skywards and Lee Sawyer's brilliant flick found Auger who finished well from six yards.

It was almost 2-0 on 75 minutes when Martin hit the post after a terrific piece of individual play that saw him beat three Town defenders to surge in the box and that missed looked to have cost Southend when the Hatters were awarded a penalty on 79 minutes. Kissock was brought down in the penalty area but from Henry's effort from 12 yards was beaten away well by Payne, diving to his right. Walker was first to the rebound, touching the ball goalwards, but before the ball could creep over the line, Southend cleared.

Walker then saw a shot saved by Payne after good work from Fleetwood on 84 minutes before Fleetwood's excellent cross-field pass found McAllister but before his header across goal could be tapped home by Walker, Southend cleared again.

Town: Kidd, Longden, Jibodu (sub Burtenshaw 53), Beckwith, Ferguson, Kissock, Henry, Watkins (sub Nash 70), Walker (sub Ann 87), McAllister, Fleetwood. Subs not used: Stephens, Carpenter.

FOOTBALL COMBINATION EASTERN DIVISION

TEAM	P	W	D	L	GD	PTS
1 Southend United	7	4	0	3	2	12
2 LUTON TOWN	6	3	2	1	6	11
3 Colchester United	5	3	0	2	7	9
4 Oxford United	6	1	2	3	-5	5
5 Stevenage	6	1	2	3	-10	5

YOUNG HATTERS



The Town Under-18s entertained Crawley Town at Ely Way last time out and completed a 1-0 victory thanks to a first half strike from Jemale McKenzie-Lowe.

With Alasan Ann going to Arlesey Town on loan for the rest of the campaign, manager Paul Driver started McKenzie-Lowe and Arel Amu in attack for the game. Nick Burtenshaw came into midfield to replace the injured Charlie Smith from the side narrowly defeated by the odd goal against QPR during midweek.

There were few chances in the early stages and it wasn't until the 20th minute when the first opening came to the visitors, but their striker dragged his shot wide of Ben Barnes' goal.

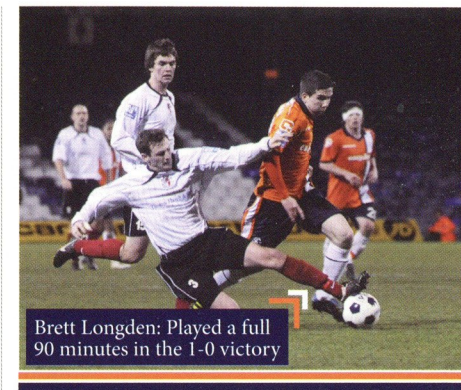
The Hatters then got their first opportunity almost immediately when McKenzie-Lowe burst onto the resulting goal-kick but his lob was not quite hard enough to go over the Crawley goalkeeper.

The only goal of the game came in the 29th minute when good pressure on the Crawley defender by Amu bought possession for Zane Banton who slipped a pass to McKenzie-Lowe who kept his composure to lob the ball over the goalkeeper and into the corner of the net.

The best chance of the remainder of the half fell to the Hatters. Jerry Nash played a neat one-two with McKenzie-Lowe before finding Amu who found Leeroy Maguraushe but his goal-bound shot was well saved.

The second half saw few clear-cut chances. The best one for the Hatters came in the 61st minute and saw Maguraushe burst through but his shot went wide of the goal.

Crawley wasted an excellent chance to level in the 73rd minute when their striker latched onto a



Brett Longden: Played a full 90 minutes in the 1-0 victory

throughball to round Barnes but his shot was cleared away by Zak Stephens.

Under 15s Ollie Cole and Isaac Galliford replaced Amu and Burtenshaw respectively in the 76th minute and Cole nearly made an immediate impact when he was put through by McKenzie-Lowe but his shot was blocked behind for a corner.

Crawley had a penalty shout turned down in the 80th minute but, other than that scare, the Hatters held firm to complete a hard fought victory.

Driver was pleased with the performance. He told Talk of the Town: "We looked at the video of the QPR game and felt that we didn't try to play enough when we had the opportunity.

"Although the pitches are hard at the minute which makes our usual type of game difficult to follow, we have to stick to our principles and we did this much better."

Team: Barnes, Longden, Jibodu, Burtenshaw (sub Galliford 76), Ferguson, Stephens, Nash, Maguraushe, McKenzie-Lowe, Banton, Amu (sub Cole 76). Subs not used: Chabata, Carpenter.

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ACADEMY UPDATE

THE EPPP EXPLAINED

The Elite Player Performance Plan, or EPPP, was introduced by the Premier League in 2011 because of the continued failure to produce English players that can compete at the highest level in football (i.e. on the international stage and in the Champions League).

During last week's eight Champions League quarter-finals, look at how many English players started in those games compared to German, Spanish, Italian and Brazilian players.

On the back of this, a review has been carried out on English football which has identified areas of weakness in development and one that will achieve the desired results.

The EPPP has been produced to set-out in detail the order of processes and criteria necessary to ensure that professional football in England is empowered to create a world-leading academy system that serves to provide more and better home-grown players and increase efficiency of youth development investment.

There are six key criteria which will allow this programme to be a success:

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3. Improve the level of coaching.
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5. Influence strategic investment and demonstrate value for money.
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The club's Community Department have already contacted almost 100 schools in our catchment area since the start of this school year with the offer of free coaching and already almost 40 schools are now receiving visits from our coaching staff.

Our Football Development Officer, James Hatch, who runs the schools visit project on behalf of the Community Trust told Talk of the Town: "We have already had a great response from local schools who have asked us to come in and help.

"The funding from the Football Conference and Easyjet is great because for the first time in quite a while we can now get all of our local schools involved with the Club at no cost to them. So far this season we have provided almost 600 hours of coaching and are well on target to provide 2,000 free hours of coaching to local schools throughout the season."

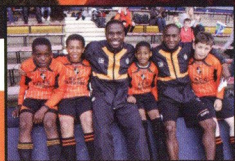
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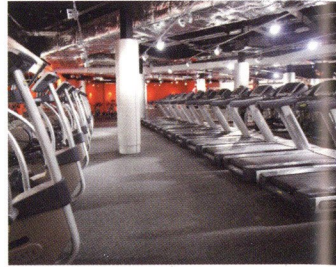
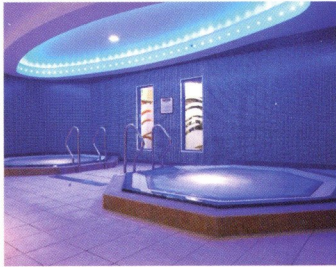
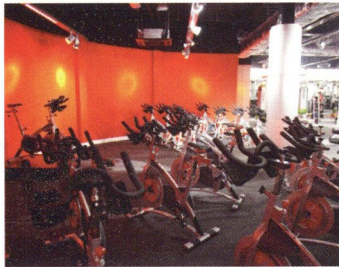
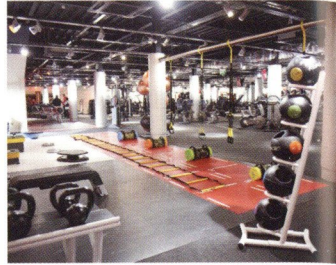
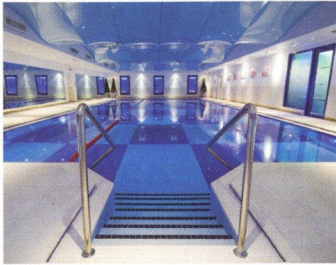
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Age Group	No of Teams	Managers' Name	Managers' Tel Number
Under 7			
Under 8			
Under 9			
Under 10			
Under 11			
Under 12			
Under 13			
Under 14			

We would like to enter a total of ____ teams at £ ____ per team as entered above and enclose a cheque for a total of £ ____ made payable to 'Luton Town Community Trust'.

We would like to book ____ car / ____ minibus / ____ coach extra parking spaces for our club and have attached another separate cheque for £ ____ made payable to 'Luton Town Community Trust'.

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LUTON LADIES



The Hatters' first team climbed into fifth place in the league table by defeating Milton Keynes Dons 5-1 last Wednesday night.

The first half performance appeared jaded and the Town fell behind after switching off when a Luton player appeared to be impeded, but a long ball over the top was fired into the net to give the Dons a lead which they held until half-time. The Hatters did have two decent chances to equalise but were not sharp enough to take advantage.

However, an incredible beginning to the second half saw the Town equalise when Lydia Radley caused confusion in the MK penalty area and her goal-bound effort ended up in the bottom corner of the net via a bundle involving Town's Laura Day, the goalkeeper and a covering defender.

Two minutes later the Town were in the lead for the first time when Day raced clear and lobbed the ball over the goalkeeper to make it 2-1. The Dons were floundering at that point and the Hatters took full advantage when Nicola Henman set Michelle Byrne free down the right and her pinpoint cross found Henman who finished with a first time shot into the corner.

The Dons began to push forward in search of a goal but the Luton defence did well to contain a sustained period of pressure although Dons were generally restricted to speculative long range efforts.

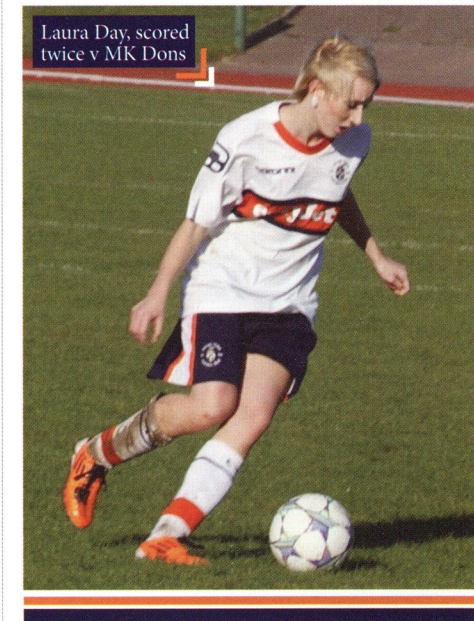
Henman then broke down the left beating three players before curling a shot which the goalkeeper could only push against the underside of the crossbar but the assistant referee judged the ball to be over the line as Jess McKay followed into to smash the ball home.

McKay was then unlucky when her low drive was pushed away well by the Dons keeper but then, with five minutes, left Henman exchanged passes with Rachel Spendalow and sent Rachel Kosky away

down the left and she powered in the box, outpacing two defenders be blasting home to make it 5-1.

A delighted manager Nikki Baker told Talk of the Town: "The first half was a very ordinary performance which no-one was happy with and the players responded brilliantly scoring three times in seven minutes after half-time.

"At 3-1 the next goal was going to be crucial, but we defended well and finished strongly and five goals in the second half is some achievement."





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NLP VIEW

A DIFFERENT KIND OF TITLE RACE! BY SAM ELLIOTT

What price a goalscorer? Well, not even a million pounds if you are Fleetwood Town!

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A lot like London Underground, strike rates seem to be at an all-time high with the quality of forwardmen bamboozling defenders throughout Non-League football sky high as they jostle for supremacy in the scoring charts.

The golden boot battle is sometimes more competitive than the title race itself, so here is the low-down on all the sharp shooters.

Jamie Vardy needs no introduction. Widely regarded as the best player to ever grace the Conference, his beauty at Bath City last weekend took his tally to 35 in all competitions.

Not only have his goals pushed the Cod Army to within sight of the Blue Square Bet Premier title but the tills will soon be ringing. Inexplicably both Southampton and Leicester City saw seven figure bids for the player rebuffed in January – but they will surely sell once promotion is rubber stamped. Let the bidding war begin!

Vardy won't be alone. Peterborough United – and Chelsea if you believe the rumour mill – are already watching Grimsby's Liam Hearn, while Jon Shaw the Gateshead goal machine seems to score most weeks.

Both are five goals away from Vardy as it stands and like Wrexham in the title race they need to get their shooting boots back on to keep the name of Fleetwood Town off the trophy.

You may ask yourself how a player can hit the back of the net 40 times in the league and their club still not be anywhere near the play-offs!

That's the conundrum faced by Altrincham manager Lee Sinnott and his side's supporters as Damian Reeves has blazed a trail in the Blue Square Bet North.

Penny for the thoughts of Hyde's Scott Spencer too. If it wasn't for Reeves' prowess, he would soon be decorated as the division's master. His 26 goals though pale into insignificance in comparison.

It's a one-horse race in the Blue Square Bet South as well. Tonbridge Angels fans so excited about the summer return of iconic Jon Main have another goal-getting hero, with Frannie Collin making waves with 26 to his name.

There's a big race on in the Evo-Stik Northern Premier League with five players separated by just two goals.

Leading the way is Chorley's Steve Foster with 18 but just behind are Alex Steadman, of Mickleover, and FC United's Matthew Wolfenden with 17. Don't rule out Wolfenden's partner-in-crime Michael Norton or Marine's Neil Harvey, who sit just one goal behind.

It's not so tight in the Southern Premier, with Bedford Town hotshot Drew Roberts sitting pretty on 30, with nearest rivals Jamie Towers of Barwell and Hitchin's John Frendo both grabbing 21.

There's rarely more than one man in the Ryman League but this year Richard Jolly has company.

His 23 league goals for Wealdstone are in the eye-line of Concord's Tony Stokes, AFC Hornchurch ace Martin Tuohy and East Thurrock's Sam Higgins, who are all hitting form at just the right time.

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LUTON TOWN v EBBSFLEET UNITED



BLUE SQUARE BET PREMIER

TUESDAY 17TH APRIL 2012, KICK-OFF 7.45PM

Tickets are now on sale at normal match day prices.



LUTON TOWN v KIDDERMINSTER HARRIERS



BLUE SQUARE BET PREMIER

SATURDAY 21ST APRIL 2012, KICK-OFF 3PM

Tickets are now on sale at normal match day prices.

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ON THE ROAD

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ALFRETON TOWN v LUTON TOWN



BLUE SQUARE BET PREMIER

SATURDAY 14TH APRIL 2012, KICK-OFF 3PM

This match is pay on the day for Town supporters.

We have been given an allocation of over 2,500 terrace places and a very small number of seats which will be available on a first-come, first-served basis.

Prices: £13 adults, £7 concessions.



GATESHEAD v LUTON TOWN



BLUE SQUARE BET PREMIER

NEW DATE TO BE CONFIRMED

This game is pay on the night for Town supporters.

Seating only. Prices: £14 adults, £9 over-60s and students, £2 under-16s £2



FLEETWOOD TOWN v LUTON TOWN



BLUE SQUARE BET PREMIER

SATURDAY 28TH APRIL 2012, KICK-OFF 1PM

Please note the early kick-off time for this match.

This game is pay on the day for Hatters fans. An allocation of 975 terrace tickets and approximately 400 seats will be available.

Prices: Seating - £18 adults, £14 over-65s, £13 under-16s, free for under fives. Terracing - £15 adults, £10 over-65s and under-16s, free for under fives.

GETTING TO...ALFRETON TOWN - IMPACT ARENA

Bobbys Travel (01234 856542): £18 adults, £15 concessions. Departure: 11.30am.

Town on Tour (07960 567465): £18 adults, £15 concessions. Departure: 11am.

Car: Take the M1 north, leaving the M1 at junction 28 before taking the A38 towards Derby. After around two miles take the B600 towards Alfreton. A half-a-mile further on you will see a Total Garage on your right and a

Catholic Church on your left. Turn left just after the church into North Street. The ground is down the bottom of this street on the right. There is a small car park at the ground, otherwise there is plenty of street parking.

For the sat-nav: DE55 7FZ

By train: Alfreton station is located just over one mile away from the ground and is about a 20-25 minute walk away from the ground. It is served by trains from Nottingham & Chesterfield.

GETTING TO...GATESHEAD - THE INTERNATIONAL STADIUM

Bobbys Travel (01234 856542): £27 adults, £24 concessions. Departure: tbc.

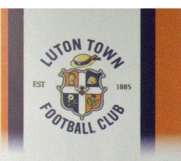
Town on Tour (07960 567465): £30 adults, £28 concessions. Departure: tbc.

Car: Take the A1 north. At the end of the A1(M) Junction 65, take the A194(M) towards South Shields. At the end of the A194(M) take the A184 towards Gateshead. The stadium is situated three miles further along this road on the right hand side.

For the sat-nav: NE10 0EF

By train: The stadium has its own Metro stop called Gateshead Stadium, which is a five minute walk away. This stop is around a ten minute journey away from Newcastle Central railway station, which is also the nearest mainline station.

FIXTURES & RESULTS



DATE	TIME	H/A	OPPOSITION	SCORE	ATT	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, Dance, O'Connor***	M-Smith**, Crow 1*, A-Adjaye***, Barnes-Homer, K. Pilkington, Gleeson*, Walker**, Poku, Barnes-Homer, K. Pilkington	
Tue 23	19:45	A	Mansfield Town	1-1	2,592	43	10	Tyler, Osano, Beckwith, Antwi 1, Asafu-Adjaye*, Dance, Watkins, Howells, Morgan-Smith/O'Connor**, Crow	Watkins*, O'Connor**, Kissock**, A-Adjaye, K. Pilkington	
Sat 27	15:00	H	Braintree Town	3-1	5,703	110	6	Tyler, Osano, Beckwith, Antwi 1, Howells 1, Dance***, Lawless*, Keane, Willmott, Crow***, Smith 2	Watkins**, A-Adjaye*, O'Connor***, Kissock, K. Pilkington	
Tue 30	19:45	A	Hayes & Yeading United	2-2	1,015	727	8	Tyler, Osano, Beckwith, Antwi, Howells*, Dance***, Lawless, Keane, Willmott, Crow 1***, Smith 1	Watkins**, A-Adjaye*, O'Connor***, Kissock, K. Pilkington	
September										
Fri 2	19:45	A	Stockport County	TV	1-1	3,389	321	6	Tyler, Osano, Keane, Antwi, A-Adjaye, Lawless 1, Kissock*, Watkins, Willmott, M-Smith, (w/)**	Dance*, Fleetwood**, O'Connor, Garden, 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, 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**, Fleetwood 1, Crow*	Watkins*, O'Connor**, Kissock***, Samuel, 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***	O'Connor**, Samuel**, Willmott**, Watkins, 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**	Crow***, Watkins**, O'Connor**, Asafu-Adjaye, 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	O'Connor**, Kissock**, 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	Ebbfleet 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	Grimsby Town	TV	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***1	
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, Bowd 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* 1, 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	0	K. Pilkington, Gleeson, Kovacs, G. Pilkington, Taylor, Dance*, Watkins, Lawless, Howells, (w/)*, 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, Bowd, Ann*	Woolley*, Nash**, Longden, Smith, Kidd	
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, 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*, Maguarausha, Kidd.	
Wed 25	19:30	H	Mansfield Town	TV	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, (w/), 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, (w/)* 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 (FATQF)	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	2-0	5,745	80	3	Tyler, Asafu-Adjaye, Kovacs 1, Pilkington, Taylor, Lawless, Keane**, Kissock*, Willmott, Hills***, Crow	Boucaud**, McAllister, Fleetwood**, O'Connor, Watkins 1	
Wed 7	19:30	A	Wrexham	TV	0-2	4,206	167	3	Tyler, Asafu-Adjaye, Kovacs, Pilkington, Taylor***, Lawless, Keane, Boucaud*, O'Connor, Howells, Crow	Kidd, O'Donnell, Blackett*, Woolley***, Osano**
Sat 10	15:00	A	York City (FATSF1)	0-1	3,365	457	-	Tyler, Asafu-Adjaye, Kovacs, Pilkington, Taylor, Lawless, Watkins**, Keane, Henry**, How, Crow***	Kidd, O'Donnell, Blackett*, Woolley***, Osano**	
Tue 13	19:45	A	Darlington	1-1	1,382	123	3	Tyler, Asafu-Adjaye, Kovacs, Pilkington, Taylor, Lawless, Watkins**, Poku, Willmott, Crow/McAllister***	Henry**, Fleetwood 1, Woolley***, Osano, Boucaud	
Sat 17	15:00	H	York City (FATSE2)	1-1	5,796	400	-	Tyler, Osano, Pilkington, Kovacs, Taylor, Keane, Lawless, Howells, Willmott 1, Crow, Fleetwood*	Blackett, O'Connor, Henry, Watkins*, Woolley	
Tue 20	19:45	A	Forest Green Rovers	0-3	975	297	4	Tyler, Osano, Pilkington, Kovacs, Howells, Lawless**, Keane, O'Connor***, Watkins**, Willmott, Fleetwood	Boucaud*, Henry**, O'Connor**, Poku, Crow	
Sat 24	15:00	H	Grimsby Town	1-1	6,419	484	5	Tyler, Osano, Kovacs, Pilkington, Howells**, Willmott*, Lawless, Keane, Poku, Crow, Grant*	Blackett*, Fleetwood**, McAllister, Watkins, Boucaud	
Fri 30	19:30	H	York City	TV	1-2	5,925	196	6	Tyler, Osano, Pilkington, Kovacs, Howells, Willmott, Lawless, Keane, Poku**, Crow**, Galt*	Watkins**, McAllister**, Kissock, Blackett, Fleetwood*
April										
Sat 7	15:00	A	Braintree Town							
Mon 9	15:00	H	Hayes & Yeading United							
Sat 14	15:00	A	Alfreton Town							
Tue 17	19:45	H	Ebbfleet United							
Sat 21	15:00	H	Kidderminster Harriers							
Sat 28	13:00	A	Fleetwood Town							
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*Scoreline includes own goal

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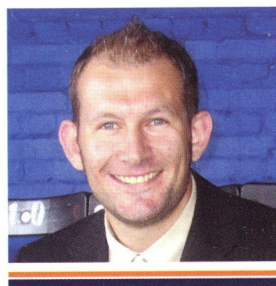
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1	Fleetwood Town	41	30	8	3	98	41	57	98
2	Wrexham	40	28	6	6	76	26	50	90
3	Mansfield Town	41	20	14	7	74	46	28	74
4	York City	40	19	13	8	75	43	32	70
5	Southport	41	20	10	11	63	60	3	70
6	LUTON TOWN	39	18	13	8	67	37	30	67
7	Kidderminster Harriers	41	19	10	12	71	55	16	67
8	Grimsby Town	41	18	10	13	75	57	18	64
9	Gateshead	40	18	10	12	61	56	5	64
10	Forest Green Rovers	41	16	13	12	59	42	17	61
11	Cambridge United	40	16	12	12	48	37	11	60
12	Braintree Town	41	16	9	16	70	71	-1	57
13	Barrow	41	16	7	18	55	67	-12	55
14	Ebbfleet United	40	13	10	17	59	69	-10	49
15	Alfreton Town	41	13	8	20	59	82	-23	47
16	Tamworth	41	11	13	17	43	62	-19	46
17	Lincoln City	41	11	9	21	46	57	-11	42
18	Newport County	39	10	11	18	48	57	-9	41
19	AFC Telford United	41	9	14	18	42	59	-17	41
20	Stockport County	41	9	14	18	48	70	-22	41
21	Hayes & Yeading	41	10	7	24	53	81	-28	37
22	Darlington *	40	10	10	20	42	63	-21	30
23	Kettering Town *	41	8	8	25	37	85	-48	29
24	Bath City	41	5	9	27	35	81	-46	24

PLAYER STATS 2011/12

	THIS SEASON		CUP		TOTAL		DISCIP		CAREER TOTAL					
	LEAGUE	APPS	GLS	APPS	GLS	APPS	GLS	Y	R	APPS	GLS			
Alasan ANN	0	(0)	0	(0)	0	(0)	0	(0)	0	0	1	0		
WILLANTWI	12	(0)	2	(1)	0	(0)	13	(0)	2	0	0	13	2	
Ed ASAFU-ADJAYE	7	(2)	0	(0)	4	(0)	11	(2)	0	0	0	1	82	1
Matthew BARNES-HOMER	1	(0)	0	(0)	0	(0)	0	(0)	0	0	0	81	23	0
Dean BECKWITH	8	(0)	1	(3)	0	(0)	11	(0)	1	2	1	11	1	1
Shane BLACKCKETT	4	(1)	0	(0)	0	(0)	6	(2)	0	1	0	47	1	0
Andre BOUCAUD	3	(2)	0	(0)	0	(0)	1	(5)	0	0	0	11	0	0
Ryan BRUNT	0	(5)	0	(1)	0	(0)	0	(0)	0	0	0	6	0	0
Paul CARDEN	1	(0)	0	(0)	0	(0)	0	(0)	0	0	0	11	0	0
Danny CROW	23	(6)	9	(4)	2	(0)	27	(8)	9	3	0	70	17	0
James DANCE	21	(5)	3	(2)	0	(0)	23	(5)	4	3	0	28	4	0
Stuart FLEETWOOD	17	(13)	7	(6)	1	(4)	23	(14)	11	4	0	37	11	0
Dan GLEESON	8	(1)	2	(0)	0	(0)	10	(1)	0	0	0	53	0	0
Andre GRAY	2	(0)	2	(0)	0	(0)	2	(0)	2	0	0	2	2	0
Jamie HAND	11	(2)	2	(2)	0	(0)	13	(2)	4	1	15	2	0	0
Charlie HENRY	0	(2)	0	(2)	0	(2)	0	(4)	0	1	0	6	0	0
Jake HOWELLS	35	(0)	5	(7)	0	(1)	42	(0)	6	3	0	173	15	0
Keith KEANE	26	(0)	0	(0)	6	(1)	32	(0)	1	6	1	275	7	0
John-Paul KISSOCK	6	(13)	0	(7)	1	(1)	13	(14)	1	0	1	27	1	0
Janos KOVACS	30	(0)	4	(0)	0	(0)	34	(0)	4	4	1	51	5	0
Alex LACEY	0	(0)	0	(0)	3	(0)	0	(0)	0	0	0	7	0	0
Alex LAWLESS	31	(0)	2	(6)	0	(0)	37	(0)	2	8	1	66	7	0
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LAST WORD

WITH FINAL THIRD SPORTS MEDIA'S CHRIS RIVETT



'Keep Calm and Carry On' is probably one of the most overused phrases doing the rounds at the moment. Personally I blame the Stereophonics for its revival.

But wait, I'm going to jump on the bandwagon while it is there because I do believe it is the one thing that everyone at Luton Town needs to do after an eventful 10 days.

Every manager I've known at the club has always paid tribute to the role that Hatters fans have to play and now really is the time for that to go up a notch; no-one likes coming to Kenilworth Road.

I've witnessed some great nights at the old ground over the years when it's really been rocking and I hope there are a more occasions to come like that in the next few matches.

As I write we're sixth, with (after last Tuesday's postponement) at least one game in hand on everyone above us. We've got a healthy and - outside of the top two - a competitive goal difference. There is plenty more going for us too so nothing is impossible from here.

In Mark Tyler, George Pilkington and Janos Kovacs we have three very experienced players that I am sure most teams in the division above would love to have on their teamsheet every week. Their combined 1,250 professional games will be worth their weight in gold over the next few weeks.

Keith Keane hasn't stopped running since I first met him at the age of 16. If he doesn't hold the world record for being told off for running in the corridors at school I'd be amazed. Like Life Vice President John Buttler I just can't imagine Luton Town without him.

He's as much a part of the fixtures and fittings at the Kenny as anything. Should the dream of a move to a new stadium one day become a reality and bits of the ground are auctioned off, I'm going to be bidding for the old press box bench and Keano when they go under the hammer.

Then we come to the new boy, Andre Gray, and if I am honest I've probably watched as much of him as I have the Hatters this year and every time I have seen him for Hinckley - in my role as director at Corby - he's ripped teams apart single-handedly. He looks like he's got that in him at this level too.

Regardless of the level and ability of an attacker, no-one likes pace and he's got that in abundance. He'll put defenders on the back foot and if they drop off it will give creative players the space to really hurt teams. Even when he's not scoring goals he'll have an impact.

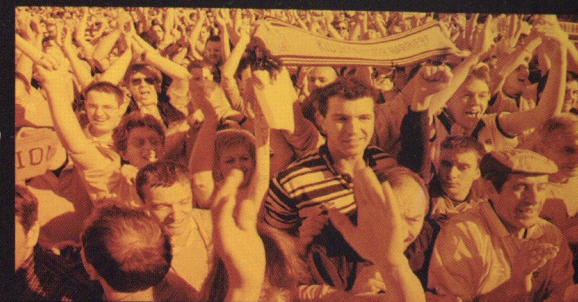
At the time of going to press the identity of the new manager has not been announced, but I imagine there will have been several creditable candidates apply. This is a job that people will want, and I've lightly touched on just five reasons why above - there many more in that dressing room.

Once you get in the Play-Offs you may only need two wins from three matches to get promoted. Everyone one of the four teams in them will believe they can do that.

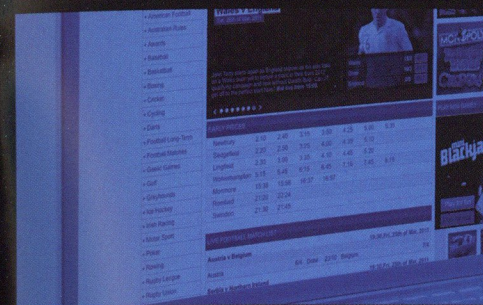
If the new man at the helm can instil a bit of confidence where it is needed I still believe we'll be able to reflect on a successful season come May, and I hope you do too.

Come on you Hatters.

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TODAY'S TEAMS



LUTON TOWN

Mark Tyler	1	<input type="checkbox"/>
Dan Gleeson	2	<input type="checkbox"/>
Greg Taylor	3	<input type="checkbox"/>
Keith Keane	4	<input type="checkbox"/>
Dean Beckwith	5	<input type="checkbox"/>
George Pilkington	6	<input type="checkbox"/>
Alex Lawless	7	<input type="checkbox"/>
Amari Morgan-Smith	8	<input type="checkbox"/>
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Robbie Willmott	11	<input type="checkbox"/>
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Godfrey Poku	25	<input type="checkbox"/>
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HAYES & YEADING UNITED

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<input type="checkbox"/>	39	Phil Walsh

MATCH OFFICIALS

Referee: M. Bull
Assistant: M. Hopton
Assistant: T. Ramsay
Fourth official: A. Fielding

UP NEXT

v EBBSFLEET UNITED

Tuesday 17th April 2012 7.45pm
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