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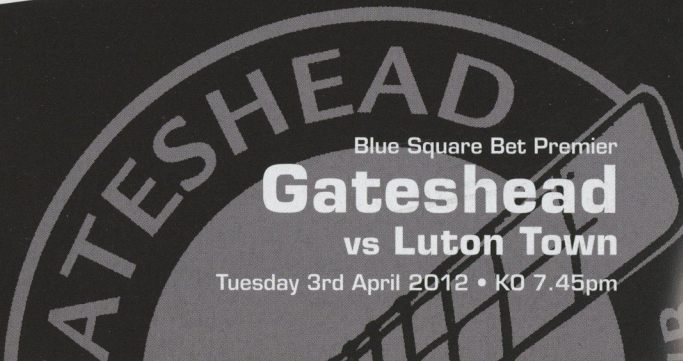
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Durham Challenge Cup winners: 2010/11 finalists: 2007/08,
North Regional League Champions: 1963/64
Northern Premier League Champions: 1982/83, 1985/86
Northern Premier League runners up: 1989/90
Northern Premier League play-off winners: 2007/08
Northern Premier League Shield winners: 1985/86
Northern Premier League Cup finalists: 1989/90, 2002/03
Blue Square Conference North play-off winners: 2008/09
Record Attendance: 11,750 (v Newcastle United, 7 August 1995)
At Redheugh Park: 20,752 (v Lincoln City, 25 September 1937)

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Cover Image: Alan O'Brien hugs the touchline
at Kenilworth Road in February.

The Heed Master



The visit of Luton Town is a fixture we always look forward to as they are a club steeped in tradition that has played at the very top of the English game.

Tonight's game against the Hatters is particularly poignant as both clubs are fighting to reclaim Football League status.

Gateshead, of course, have been waiting over half a century to right a wrong that saw the club unjustly kicked out of the League in 1960.

For Luton a massive 30 points deduction meant relegation to the Conference was inevitable in 2009 and they will be hoping to face the lottery of the play-offs again this season.

We harbour similar ambitions so, with the games running out, it is important we take all three points tonight and again at home to Barrow on Saturday.

Our last two games at the International Stadium brought solid 2-0 and 1-0 wins over Hayes & Yeading United and Bath City.

Both of these clubs are fighting against relegation, Bath impossibly so, but we got the job done and kept clean sheets in the bargain.

I know the fans got frustrated at our inability to break Bath down but it is never easy when a side puts a bank of five and four up.

We got there eventually through another Jon Shaw goal. Yes, we would have liked a more comprehensive win but the result is all important at this stage of the season.

I will certainly take another 1-0 this evening against a Luton side who had a dip in fortunes in March.

I took in their games at Barrow and Darlington where they lost 1-0 and drew 1-1 and it was tough for the Hatters on both occasions.

I have been impressed with Luton on the two occasions we have played them this season at Kenilworth Road.

We were well beaten in the league back in October after a bright opening half hour and we didn't perform at all in the FA Trophy match.

That was a disappointment as it was a quarter-final tie but we have the chance to avenge those defeats this evening.

I am sure Jon Shaw will be keen to maintain his remarkable scoring record this season, Luton Town being one of his admirers.

We turned down a couple of bids from Luton earlier in the season as Jon is crucial to what we are trying to achieve at Gateshead.

For any striker to score over 30 goals is a great effort and it is not impossible for him to reach 40 goals which would be a fantastic achievement.

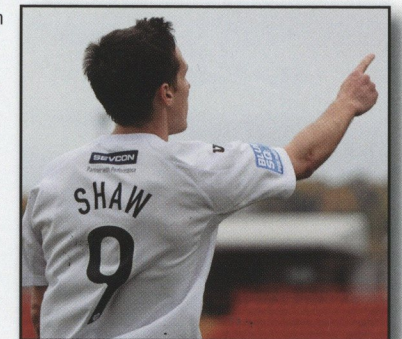


Gateshead defeat Luton in 2010.

His goals have been pivotal to our cause and his goals to games ratio during his two years at Gateshead has been phenomenal.

It is that sort of goalscorer that the Hatters have lacked, as they do not have anyone in the Conference goalscorers chart

They are, however, a massive club at this level with resources and spending power way beyond ourselves and most Conference Premier clubs.



Shaw pointer

That puts a lot of pressure on the manager as Town fans crave for a return to the Football League where they can begin their fightback to former glories.

We are now very much at the business end of the season and tonight's game is the first of what we hope will be a memorable final month.

Our last two home crowds in midweek have been disappointing but there should be a bigger turn out tonight given the calibre of the opposition.

We beat Luton Town for the first time last season and we now need to repeat that result and keep the play-off flame burning.

It should be a fascinating game. You can play your part from the terraces and again on Saturday when we entertain Barrow.

Enjoy the game.

Ian Bogie

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The Scribe



When Luton Town lost their Football League status in 2009 few would have thought the Hatters would still be playing non-league football three years down the line.

Promotion this season via the play-offs is by no means nailed on and it just goes to show how competitive the Conference Premier is.

With 6,000 crowds at Kenilworth Road Luton generate the sort of gate receipts that are the envy of the rest of the clubs in the division.

The Hatters are able to pay good money for players and are invariably favourites to win promotion each season.

Automatic promotion will again elude them in 2011/12 and they still have some work to do to finish in the top five.

To miss out on the play-offs would be a huge setback for a club who graced the 1st division (Premier League) for more than a decade and beat Arsenal in the League Cup final at Wembley.

Who, celebrating that famous win over the Gunners, would have predicted their beloved Luton would be a non-league club 30 years later?

Such are the highs and lows of football and Luton Town are not the only club in the Blue Square Bet Premier whose fall from grace has been spectacular.

Cambridge United, Grimsby Town, Stockport County, Wrexham and York City have all plied their trade in the second tier (Championship) of English football.

All are desperate to get back into the Football League along with the likes of Mansfield Town, Darlington and Lincoln City - three other clubs with a long League pedigree.

These are the calibre of clubs Gateshead are now going in against, and they have beaten every one of them - except Lincoln - over the past two years.

All of these clubs have significantly larger fan bases yet the Heed have gone toe-to-toe with all the clubs in non-league's top flight this season.

There is pressure at every club, large and small, and the levels of expectancy at the likes of Luton are huge.

There is also pressure at Gateshead where a good season will be, harshly, deemed a failure by some supporters if the club do not make the top five.

The majority, I would imagine, would appreciate that a finish in single figures would represent another significant step up the ladder of progress.



Yemi in Oxford Utd colours

Tonight Gateshead take on fallen giants Luton Town as equals in a play-off six-pointer that both sides could do with winning.

There is plenty at stake and hopefully The Heed will rise to the occasion and claim all three points to get the final month off to a flier.

With Barrow next up at home on Saturday it is two crucial home games in a week which, if won, would set things up nicely for the last four games.

Hopefully Yemi Odubade will be back soon after his recovery from a second broken foot of the season, and his return will be timely.



Luton celebrate League Cup victory over Arsenal

It is all about consistency and holding your nerve at this stage of the season and the players will be determined to finish with a flourish.

There is much to look forward to over the Easter weekend which kicks-off with the Durham Challenge Cup final on Good Friday morning.

Gateshead reserves will be looking to get the weekend off to a good start with victory over Spennymoor Town at the Hetton Centre in Hetton-le-Hole.

Barrow are on Tyneside the next day followed by the trip to the Lincolnshire coast to take on Grimsby Town on Easter Monday.

There is much to look forward to and victory over Luton Town tonight would be the perfect start to the final month of what has been a good season.

Jeff Bowron



On Tyneside Today

Luton Town Review

Luton Town are striving to end a three year spell out of the Football League by claiming promotion through the play-offs this season.

The Hatters have suffered play-off heartache in each of the last two seasons and face a fight just to finish in the top five this season.

In 2009/10 Town finished runners-up, 11 points behind champions Stevenage, and last season were third, a massive 21 points behind winners Crawley Town.

If Luton expected their stay in non-league football to be a short one they have been frustrated by an inability to mount a serious challenge for the one automatic promotion slot.

The Hatters will finish well adrift of top spot again this year and their sole focus now is just to make sure they finish in the top five.

Should they achieve that minimum goal they will hope it is a case of third time lucky, especially with this season's play-off final back at Wembley.

Hatters Stats 2011/12

BIGGEST WIN

5-0 v Kettering Town (H) & (A)

BEST AWAY WIN

5-0 v Kettering Town

AWAY LEAGUE RECORD

P 19 W 6 D 9 L 4 F 27 A 24

LEADING SCORER

Stuart Fleetwood & Amari Morgan-Smith (10)

AVERAGE CROWD

6,036

LAST SIX GAMES

P 6 W 0 D 3 L 3 F 4 A 9

FINAL POSITION 2010/11

3rd Blue Square Premier

In their relegation season from the Football League in 2008/9 the Bedfordshire club were docked a huge 30 points as punishment for financial irregularities.

The most traumatic period of the club's proud history saw the Hatters sign off on a high by beating Scunthorpe United in the Johnstone's Paint Trophy final at Wembley.

Around 40,000 Hatters fans made the short trip to London to witness a famous 3-2 win, a rare recent high after three administrations in nine years.

Luton Town played over a decade in the top flight of the English game, now the Premier League, and beat Arsenal at Wembley to lift the League Cup in 1988.

Their pedigree is without question but, despite averaging 6,000 crowds at Kenilworth Road again this season, the road to redemption has not been an easy one.

No side has recorded more away draws than Luton this season, nine, while, conversely, only a couple of clubs can boast a better home record.

Town have hit five goals in a game on five occasions this season, including five against Kettering Town twice over the festive season.

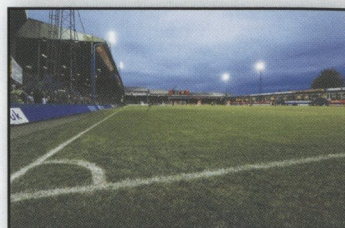
October was particularly productive on the goalscoring front as Gary Brabin's men put five goals past Barrow, Gateshead and Hendon, the latter in the FA Cup.

February and March, however, has seen Town struggle on their travels; four defeats and a draw recorded from their last five away games.

Their only draw came at struggling at Darlington, and that was only achieved through Stuart Fleetwood's 88th minute equaliser and Mark Tyler's injury time penalty save.

They will be keen to end that sequence on Tyneside tonight as the race for the play-offs hots up ahead of the pivotal Easter weekend.

The Stadium



Kenilworth Road has been the home of Luton Town since 1905 and is 1.6 miles from the town centre.

The ground had a controversial artificial pitch laid in 1985 but it was ripped up six years later and replaced by a traditional grass surface.

The ground has a capacity of just over 10,000 and became an all-seater venue in 1986.

Kenilworth Road is covered on all four sides, though the side opposite the main stand is reserved for corporate customers.

Honours

Littlewoods League Cup

Winners: 1988

Runners-up: 1989

FA Cup

Runners-up: 1959

Semi-Finalists: 1986, 1988, 1994

Johnstone's Paint Football League Trophy

Winners: 2009

Highest League Finish

Division One: 7th 1986-87

Football League Division Three (South)

Champions: 1937

Football League One

Champions: 2005

Football League Division Four

Champions: 1968

Simod Cup

Finalists: 1988

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Last Time Out

**Friday 30th March 2012
Blue Square Bet Premier**

Luton Town 1 York City 2

Gray (05)

McLaughlin (81)

Meredith (86)

Attendance: 5,925

Last Time v The Heed

Saturday 25th February 2012

FA Trophy Quarter-Final

**LUTON TOWN 2
GATESHEAD 0**

Gateshead exited this season's FA Trophy with a below par display at Kenilworth Road and were left to concentrate on reaching the Conference Premier play-offs.

A trip to Trophy favourites Luton Town, was always going to be a tough ask but the Heed failed to rise to the occasion.

After a great league win at York City in midweek it was a flat performance from Ian Bogie's side who fell behind early on to John Paul Kissock's close range volley.

A killer second goal on the hour from Keith Keane put the game beyond the Tynesiders who failed to score for only the second time this season.

Key Fact: The defeat was Gateshead's 4th in five FA Trophy quarter-finals spanning the last two decades, last season's win over Blyth Spartans their first in the last eight.

Interesting Aside: John Paul Kissock's goal was his first for Luton Town since his early season move from Southport, having scored against Gateshead during his brief time at Haig Avenue.

The Line-Ups

Luton Town: Tyler, Taylor, Blackett, Pilkington, Asafu-Adjaye, Keane, Lawless, Kissock (Henry 79), Willmott (O'Connor 83), Howells, Crow (Fleetwood 82).

Subs: (not used) Watkins, Kidd (gk).

Goal: Kissock (8), Keane (59).

Gateshead: Deasy, Rents, Gate (Chandler 58), Curtis, Clark, Turnbull, Shaw, Odubade, Cummins (Marwood 67), Baxter, O'Brien.

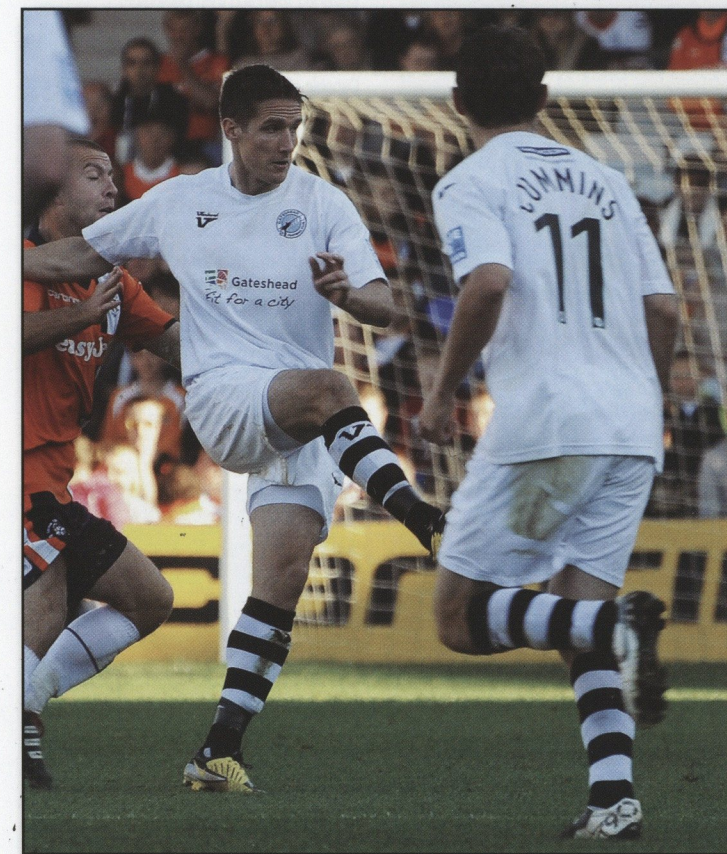
Subs: (not used) Farman (gk), Gillies, Magnay.

Booking: Turnbull (15).

Attendance: 2,499.



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Jon Shaw lays the ball off during the FA Trophy tie against Luton Town at Kenilworth Road in February.



In The Frame

Goalkeepers

1 Mark Tyler

Hugely experienced goalkeeper who signed for Luton Town in June 2009 from Peterborough United where he made 483 appearances in 15 years at London Road.

During 2008/09 Tyler went on loan to League Two Bury. A former England Youth international the 35-year-old signed a new contract at Luton in the summer of 2011.

31 Lewis Kidd

Young goalkeeper Kidd has yet to make a first team appearance.

Signed professional forms in the summer of 2011 and has often appeared on the Town bench. Has spent a month on loan at Swindon Supermarine this term.

Defenders

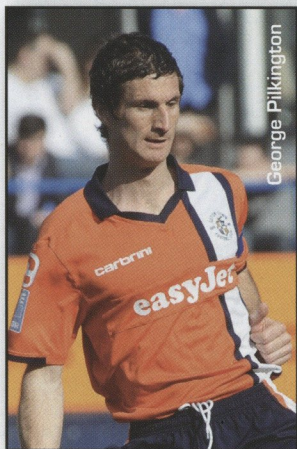
6 George Pilkington

Experienced defender who joined the club on a free transfer in August 2008.

Having began his career as an Everton trainee, Pilkington joined Port Vale in June 2003, after a loan spell at Exeter City.

Having started 223 league games for the Valiants, the highly-regarded centre back has been named 'Player of the Year' twice.

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



2 Dan Gleeson

Primarily a right-back, Gleeson signed for the Hatters in the summer of 2010 from his home town club Cambridge United.

He made 61 league appearances before moving to Notts County in 2006.

Gleeson, who has seven England C caps, only lasted one season at Meadow Lane, featuring 17 times before he was back at the Abbey, firstly on-loan before resigning permanently in 2007.

3 Greg Taylor

Left-back signed from Darlington in November 2011 who made his Town debut in the 1-1 draw at Cambridge United.

Taylor began his career as a junior with Northampton Town before he signed for Kettering Town and then Darlington.

16 Ed Asafu-Adjaye

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

After loan spells at Walton & Hersham and Salisbury City, he made his full debut in March 2008 at Kenilworth Road against Crewe Alexandra.

Was part of the Town team that won the Johnstone's Paint Trophy at Wembley in 2009.

5 Dean Beckwith

Beckwith became the Hatters' second signing of last summer following his release from League Two side Northampton Town.

The commanding 6ft 3in defender has experienced promotion from the Blue Square Bet Premier before having been part of the Hereford United side that won the Play-Off final against Halifax Town in 2008.

Beckwith has almost 250 senior appearances to his name after starting his career as a junior at Gillingham.

18 Curtis Osano

Attacking defender who signed a six-month contract at Kenilworth Road following his departure from Rushden & Diamonds in July 2011.

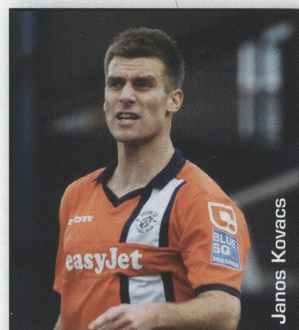
Able to play anywhere along the backline, the Kenyan-born defender began his career at Reading as a youngster.

He failed to make an appearance with the Royals but enjoyed loan spells at Aldershot, Woking and Rushden, going onto make over 150 appearances for the Northamptonshire club.

34 Janos Kovacs

Hungarian defender who signed on-loan for his second spell at Luton Town in September 2011.

Formerly with Chesterfield and Lincoln City, Kovacs first signed for the Hatters in January 2010 before joining Hereford United in the summer of that year. Signed an 18-month contract at Luton in January and was sent off during last month's 1-1 draw at Darlington.



Midfielders

15 Jake Howells

The young winger, who can also play at left-back or in central midfield, came through the ranks at Kenilworth Road and made his full debut away at Bradford City in October 2008.

After making 36 appearances in the 2008/09 campaign the England C international was rewarded with a professional contract. In his first season as a pro, Howells made huge strides with impressive performances on the left-side of midfield, ending the 2009/10 campaign with six goals.

25 Godfrey Poku

Tenacious defensive midfielder who signed together with JJ O'Donnell from Blue Square South outfit St Albans City in January 2010 on an 18-month contract.

Poku featured and impressed in the Hatters reserves in 2009/10 and made his debut as a substitute in the 1-0 win at Barrow in October 2010. Had a spell on loan at Southport earlier in the season.

4 Keith Keane

Keane made his Luton debut as a 16-year-old in November 2003.

Over the course of his career at Kenilworth Road Keane has proved to be one of the most versatile players to pull on a Luton shirt. Capable of playing right the way across the back four or in midfield the only positions he's not featured for the Town are in goal and up-front.

21 Charlie Henry

Winger signed from Conference rivals Newport County in November 2010, initially on-loan.

Henry is no stranger to Kenilworth Road as he came through the youth ranks at the Club but left when he was 15. Now 24, the England C international helped Newport to promotion to the Blue Square Premier before returning to Luton.

19 James Dance

A tricky winger who joined the Hatters from Crawley Town in July 2011.

Able to play on either flank or as a central striker, Dance began his career as a trainee at Birmingham City but, after being released, he made his name in non-league circles in the West Midlands before catching the eye of Kettering Town in 2009. He signed for Crawley two years later before joining Luton.

20 John Paul Kissock

Former England U.16 and U.18 international Kissock began his career as a trainee at Premier League Everton.

In January 2008, he signed on loan for then Scottish Premier League club Gretna, and later signed for Hamilton Academical. Kissock signed for Southport in December 2010 and was a key performer for the Sandgrounders which secured a move to Luton Town in the opening month of the current campaign.

Strikers

9 Craig McAllister

McAllister is on loan for the rest of the 2011/12 season from Newport County.

The powerful striker signed for Newport in the summer just months after helping Crawley Town win the Blue Square Bet Premier title last season where he scored 12 goals in 27 starts. He began his career with Eastleigh and then signed for Basingstoke Town, scoring 53 times in 96 games which earned him a move to Stevenage Borough. He then joined Woking in 2005. Stints at Grays, Oxford and Exeter City followed before he joined Crawley.

10 Danny Crow

Crow joined the Hatters from Cambridge United in May 2010 having started as a trainee at Norwich City making his Premier League bow for the Canaries in 2004.

A loan spell at Northampton Town followed before he signed for Peterborough United in the summer of 2005, notching 17 goals in his debut season at London Road. Following a loan spell at Notts County, Crow was snapped up by Cambridge in September 2008 where he scored freely.

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Robbie Willmott

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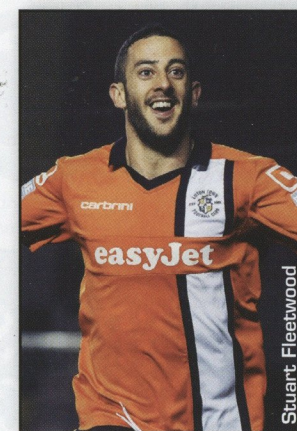


Wide man Willmott penned an 18-month contract with the Hatters in January 2011 after joining the club from Cambridge United.

Capable of playing on either wing or behind the front two, Willmott came through the ranks at the Abbey Stadium with his pace, dribbling, close control and an eye for goal impressing the U's crowd.

He weighed in with 10 goals and eight assists from just 29 starts for Martin-Ling's side in 2010/11, which earned the 21-year-old a £50,000 move to Kenilworth Road.

Willmott made his England C debut in a friendly against Gibraltar last November.





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Luton Town Lowdown



THE TOWN

Luton is a large town in the county of Bedfordshire, 30 miles north of London.

Luton Airport was opened in 1938 and during the Second World War it doubled as a Royal Air Force base.

The University of Bedfordshire is based in the town which is also the birthplace of the English Defence League (EDL) formed a few years ago.

The Luton Carnival, held on the late May bank holiday, is believed to be the largest one-day carnival in Europe.

The Luton Hat Industry



The town was for many years famous for hat-making, which gave the town's Football Club, Luton Town, their 'Hatters' nickname.

Luton was also home to a large Vauxhall

Motors factory; and the head office of Vauxhall Motors UK is still situated in the town.

Car production at the plant began in 1905 and continued until 2002, though commercial vehicle production remains.

The population of Luton, which has a diverse ethnic mix, is in the region of 200,000.

FAMOUS PEOPLE

Former Chelsea and England striker **Kerry Dixon** was born in Luton as was England spin bowler **Monty Panesar**.

Pop singer **Paul Young**, who played live Aid at Wembley in 1985, is another famous product of the Bedfordshire town.

Grammy award-winning film composer **David Arnold**, who scored five James Bond films, was born in Luton in 1962.

Jethro Tull guitarist **Mick Abrahams** and drummer **Clive Bunker** are both from Luton as is goalkeeper and football manager **Kevin Blackwell**.

Film director **John Bradham** is another native of the town along with footballers **Dean Brill**, **Kevin Foley** and **Leon Barnett**.

Sculptor and artist **Clive Baker**, screen writer **Danny Cannon**, racing driver **Chris James** and Durham cricketer **Will Smith** are all from Luton.



Monty Panesar

CONNECTIONS

Gordon Hindson joined Luton Town from Newcastle United for £27,500 in 1971 and then had a spell with Hartford Connecticut in America before arriving at Gateshead in November 1981.

He was a regular in the squad that took the Northern Premier League by storm in 1982/83 but lost his place after promotion to the Alliance Premier League (Conference) and joined Consett.

Central defender **Alan White** also played for both Gateshead and Luton Town.

In 1999 he joined Colchester United from Luton and played 140 games for the Essex-based club and later returned to Luton in 2009

After spells with Darlington and Stalybridge Celtic he linked up with Gateshead in November 2010 but played just four games and is now at Harrogate Town.

Luton Town manager **Gary Brabin**, joined Gateshead in 1991 after service with Stockport County.

After 12 appearances with The Heed he linked up with Runcorn with whom he featured in two successive FA Trophy Finals.

Brabin later joined Doncaster Rovers and also played for Hull City and Blackpool.

As a manager he took Cambridge United to the Conference play-off final having previously been manager of Southport, and has been Luton boss for a year.

GATESHEAD v LUTON TOWN

Record Win:

Gateshead 1 Luton Town 0.
Blue Square Bet Premier, International Stadium, 25th September 2010.

Record Defeat:

Luton Town 5 Gateshead 1.
Blue Square Bet Premier, Kenilworth Road, 15th October 2011.

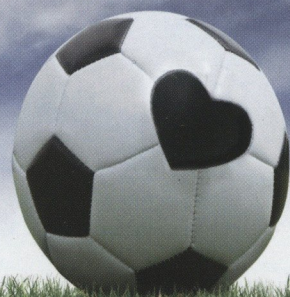
Last Season:

Home won 1-0. Away drew 2-2.

FULL RECORD v LUTON TOWN

	P	W	D	L	F	A
HOME	2	1	0	1	1	1
AWAY	3	0	1	2	3	9
OVERALL	5	1	1	3	4	10

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Hatters exit for Brabin



Luton Town sacked manager Gary Brabin over the weekend following Friday evening's defeat at home to play-off rivals York City.

The Hatters led going into the last ten minutes, the 2-1 defeat extending their winless run ahead of tonight's game to seven games.

Brabin, who lasted only one year in the hot seat, had taken Town to last season's play-off final where they lost in a penalty shoot out against AFC Wimbledon.

It would have been all so different for Luton, and Brabin, had Justin Walker's header found the net instead of hitting the post.

A statement from Luton Town said;

"Luton Town regret to announce that Gary Brabin's contract as manager has been terminated with immediate effect.

"The Board have reluctantly come to the decision following the team's poor run of recent form that has seen the Hatters slip to 6th position in the Blue Square Bet Premier after a run of just one win in seven league games.

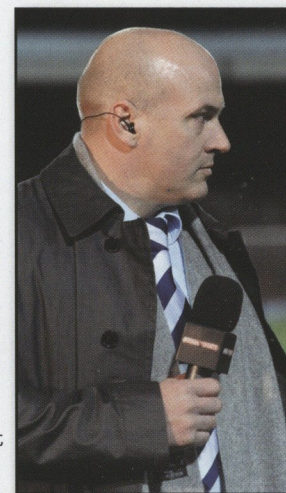
"With promotion still the club's objective, the Board felt it necessary to relieve Gary of his duties following Friday night's defeat against York City at Kenilworth Road.

"Prior to this decision, Gary vowed to fight on despite recent poor results but, having failed to see a satisfactory improvement in performances and results which had been promised by himself and the players the Board had no option in making the decision to terminate his contract.

"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.

"The club will now focus its attention on appointing a new manager to take it forward in the final month of the campaign in a bid to earn a position in the top five of the table.



Gary Brabin

"Alan Neilson and Paul Carden will take charge of the team for Tuesday's important Blue Square Bet Premier trip to Gateshead"

Friday's defeat against the Minstermen drew a furious reaction from the Hatters fans who chanted 'Brabin out' as he left the pitch.

A section of the angry crowd also vented their anger at the directors box.

Luton have under achieved this season but despite the recent traumas chairman Gary Sweet was disappointed to see Brabin go.



Gary Sweet

"My admiration for Gary has gone up through all this," said Sweet.

"he has handled it all with great dignity and it has all been done amicably.

"We are looking for someone to come in and get us promoted - it is a fantastic opportunity for someone to impress and get a massive reward at the end for all of us."

Jeff Bowron



Big Match Analysis

The Line-ups

Gateshead (4-3-3)



Substitutions:

Marwood for Cummins (67)
 Moore for Britain (78)
 Gillies for Hatch (89)
Not used: Deasy (gk), Dummett.

Goal: Shaw (37)

Bookings: Hatch (69), Carruthers (83)

Tamworth (4-4-2)

Hedge, Tait, Habbergham, Francis, Green, Thomas, Nix, Barrow (Grayson 84), Baldock (McDonald 79), Marna, C.Collins (Patterson 71).

Subs: (not used) Gudger, Taylor.

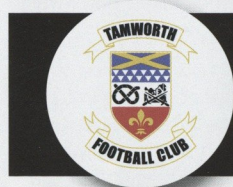
Goal: Marna (pen-44)

Bookings: Barrow (69), Green (82)

Gateshead Top Three

1. Shaw 2. Baxter 3. Chandler

BLUE SQ	STAT ATTACK	
	TAMWORTH	GATESHEAD
ATTEMPTS ON	1	3
ATTEMPTS OFF	5	3
CORNERS	2	5
OFFSIDES	3	1
FOULS	12	13
YELLOW CARDS	2	2
RED CARDS	0	0



Saturday 24th March 2012 Blue Square Bet Premier Tamworth 1 Gateshead 1

Attendance: 968



Tamworth v Gateshead



From The Dugout



Tamworth boss Marcus Law said:

"It was a well earned point for us today. We showed spirit and adaptability throughout the game."

"It was good to end the long wait for a goal and we were unlucky when Scott Barrow hit the post in the second half."

"It has given us a platform to build on for what is left of the season."

"Defensively we restricted Gateshead to very little and have held some good sides to draws lately."



Heed manager Ian Bogie said:

"If we hadn't conceded a debatable penalty on the stroke of half-time we would have picked up another 1-0 win as neither side created much after the break."

"We didn't play as well as we can and lacked a bit of creativity in midfield so a share of the spoils was about right."

"It was a good away point but we are at the stage of the season where we need to pick up as many wins as possible."

"We had a good following at Tamworth. It would have been nice to send them home with another win but we're doing okay and are still in contention."



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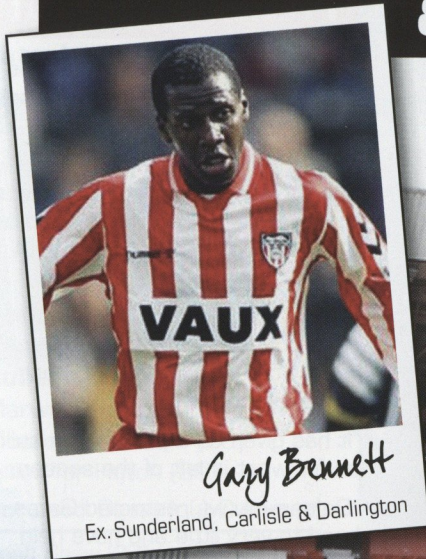


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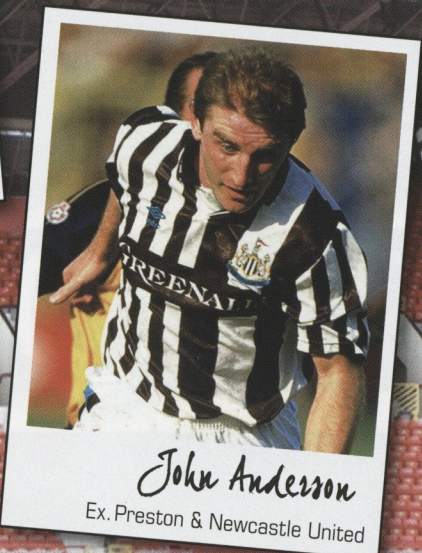
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Back Track

Saturday 25th September 2010 • Blue Square Premier
GATESHEAD 1 LUTON TOWN 0

At the International Stadium

Gateshead, lying in 18th spot in the table, welcomed a Luton Town side who were 13 places above them and eager to regain the Football League status they had lost at the end of the 2008/09 season.

Gateshead began the encounter in fighting fashion and almost drew first blood in the 3rd minute, captain Ben Clark just failing to convert Martin Brittain's centre.

Gateshead v Luton programme.



With seven minutes gone the lively Brittain sent over a first time cross and Jon Shaw broke away from his marker to send a header into the bottom corner of the net.

Luton keeper Tyler then tipped a thunderous drive from Phil Turnbull past the post on the quarter hour mark before Atieno headed over from three yards.

In the 37th minute a late challenge by Atieno left Carl Jones in a heap as the defender cleared the ball down the line.

Atieno, somewhat harshly, received his marching orders whilst Jones took no further part in the proceedings and was replaced by Craig Baxter.

After the interval the ten-man Hatters began to come more into the picture with the Tynesiders threatening only occasionally.

Tim Deasy, however, had few shots to deal with. Crow headed straight at the Heed keeper from Keane's free kick, Newton shot over from distance whilst Keane was just wide from 25 yards.

Barnes-Homer, now plying his trade in Sweden, shot over and Gateshead replied with Brian Wake heading Brittain's centre wide.

In the 80th minute Shaw found Wake in the box but the latter's attempt was deflected wide by Luton centre back George Pilkington.

The Hatters, becoming increasingly desperate, had ambitious appeals for a penalty turned down following a James Curtis challenge on Newton.

In the 4th minute of added time Crow fired over the top from 16 yards and the visitors last chance had gone.

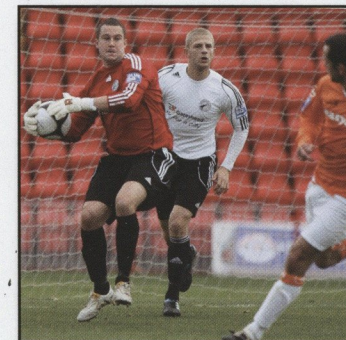
Many considered this to be Gateshead's most outstanding league victory since their Football League days.

The Tynesiders upset the appercart once again four months later when they forced a 2-2 draw at Kenilworth Road despite playing the final 45 minutes with only ten men after Ben Clark was controversially dismissed.

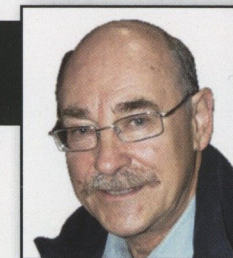
GATESHEAD:- Deasy, Jones (Baxter 38), Heckingbottom, Gate, Curtis, Clark, Brittain, Turnbull, Shaw, Mulligan (Wake 63), Nelthorpe (Ferrell 77).
Subs (not used) Cook, Gillies.

LUTON TOWN:- Tyler, Gleeson, Murray, Keane, G.Pilkington, Newton, Barnes-Homer (Walker 77), Atieno, Blackett, Krocka (Howells 46), Gnappa (Crow 46)
Subs (not used) Besta, Pilkington K.

ATTENDANCE:- 1,095.



Heed defeat the Hatters.



ON THIS DAY

On 3rd April 1961 the Tynesiders met **Consett** in a Northern Counties encounter before a crowd of 789 at Redheugh Park and lowered the Steelmen's colours by the narrowest of margins.

The only goal of the afternoon arrived in the 55th minute when full back Bill Redhead, playing on the right wing, finished off a neat move involving Dave Elliott, Neville Clarke and Bennett Steele.

Gateshead accounted for **Tamworth** by two clear goals in a Northern Premier League encounter on Tyneside on this day in 1982.

Gordon Hindson could only muster a weak shot in the 2nd minute but the keeper misjudged the situation and the ball trickled over the line to put the Tynesiders in front.

After 47 minutes Tony Robinson's corner kick was flicked on by Steve Holbrook for John Tudor to bundle the ball over the line.

Nineteen years ago the Tynesiders travelled to meet **Boston United** in a Vauxhall Conference game and recorded another 2-0 success.

The Pilgrims suffered an early blow when Dean Trott (later to join Gateshead) was dismissed for an elbowing offence but they held out doggedly until the 65th minute when Paul Dobson headed home John Cooke's measured cross.

Alan Lamb made the game safe at York Street with eight minutes remaining.

On this day in 2004 a late Gateshead rally secured a 2-1 victory over **North Ferriby United** in a UniBond First Division clash on Humberside.

A meagre crowd of 134 saw Sherwood give the home side a 40th minute advantage but in the 82nd minute Tony Shandran levelled and shortly afterwards make the opening for Paul Thompson to chip the keeper for the decider.

A double strike from Daryl Clare on 38 and 83 minutes, the latter from the penalty spot, enabled the Tynesiders to record a 2-0 home victory over **Cambridge United** before a 841 crowd on this day two years ago.

Ernie Curry

Marwood Magic

Gateshead winger James Marwood believes Gateshead could need to win five of their final six games to reach the play-offs.



The Tynesiders welcome Luton Town to the International Stadium tonight with Marwood hoping he can shake off a groin injury to be involved.

The wide man, who enjoyed a profitable loan spell at FC Halifax Town earlier in the season, feels Gateshead have proved they can put a string of results together.

Ian Bogie's men began the season in blistering form with six wins from their first seven games - form they will need to repeat to make the top five.

Marwood said: "Luton Town is a massive game - one we need to win to help us get back into the top five.

"We've shown we are capable of putting a string of results together and we need to do it again."

The former Newcastle United trainee, was sent to Conference North side Halifax in November, a move he was initially disappointed with.

"I had broken my leg and the lads had done really well while I was out injured so I didn't think I had much chance of getting back into the side.

"I went to Halifax to get some match fitness and experience but I was a bit disappointed because I didn't believe I would get my chance at Gateshead.

"The move was beneficial, however. Halifax are a good team pushing for promotion, it was a good experience and I came back to Gateshead in confident mood."

Halifax's FA Cup clash with League One side Charlton was selected to be shown on ITV but Marwood was refused permission to play in case Gateshead progressed further in the competition.

The Tynesiders, of course, later crashed out at home to Tamworth leaving Marwood devastated.

"I could have played against Charlton but Ian Bogie wanted to keep me free in case Gateshead reached the third round.

"It was a double whammy that we lost to Tamworth because I didn't get to play another game in the Cup."

The winger returned to Gateshead and regained his fitness and form before picking up a three-match suspension which was stretched out due to winter postponements.

"I got back into the side and then picked up the suspension which was a really stupid decision on my part" admitted Marwood.

"You learn from your mistakes though. I came back and did well but Bogie wanted to change it and put Martin Brittain in for his crossing with Liam Hatch now in the side, so I've had to be patient."

Marwood's father, Brian, enjoyed a top career as a winger playing for Arsenal, Hull City and the two Sheffield clubs and being capped once by England.

Marwood Senior is now Chief Executive at Premier League power brokers Manchester City and young Marwood is determined not live off his fathers name.

"I was too young to watch him as a player. He was a winger as well but you always want to make a name for yourself in your own right.

"He doesn't get to as many Gateshead games now as he would like but still follows the results and gets to games when he can."

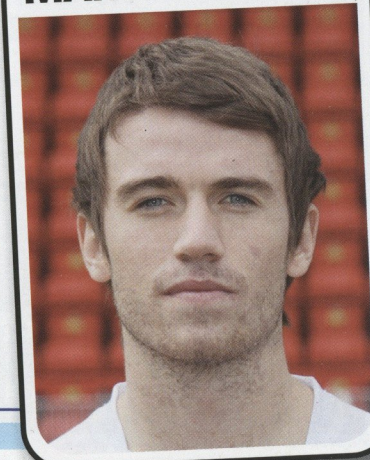
Marwood starred in Gateshead's Durham Challenge Cup final win over Dunston UTS last year scoring the first goal and the winger hopes to be fit to feature again in this year's final.

"Whoever is not starting for Gateshead the next day against Barrow will hopefully get a chance to play at the Hetton Centre on Good Friday.

"I would like to start against Spennymoor and make the bench against Barrow on Saturday, but it depends on how the team is playing."

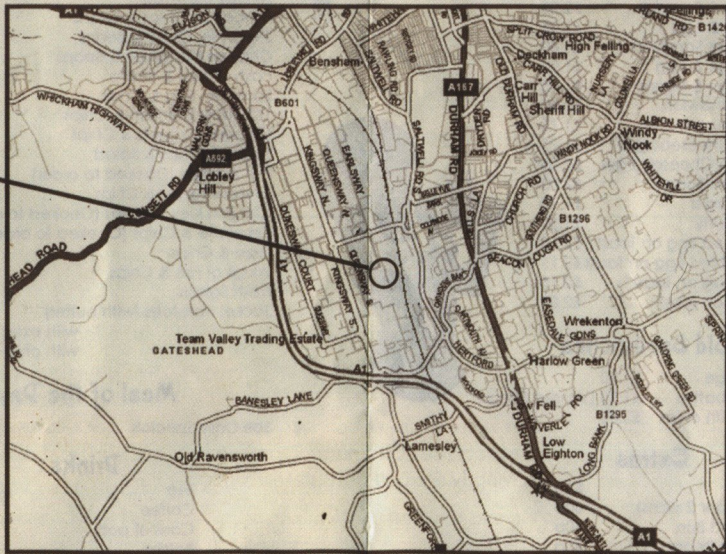
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Conference Play-Offs



The Football Conference have confirmed details for the staging and Live screening of ALL Blue Square Bet Premier Play-Off Semi-Final games and the Promotion Final, to conclude the 2011/12 season.

This particular season is, and continues to be, full of twists and turns towards the final full round of matches on Saturday, 28th April.

All the final round of matches in the Premier Division will kick-off at the earlier time of 1pm.



One game will be chosen to be screened live by the Conference's broadcast partner Premier Sports Television (Channel 433).

The first game in the Play-Off Semi-Finals will feature the fourth-placed team hosting the third-placed team on Wednesday 2nd May with a 7.30pm kick off.

The second game will feature 5th-placed team hosting the 2nd-placed team on Thursday, 3rd May, again with a 7.30pm kick-off.

Both second leg Semi-Final games, with reverse fixtures, will take place on Bank Holiday Monday, 7th May.

The game between the clubs finishing in 3rd & 4th place will kick-off at 2.00pm.

The game between the clubs finishing in 2nd & 5th place will kick off at 4.30pm.

All Blue Square Bet Premier Play-Off matches will be shown live on Premier Sports Television.

This includes the Promotion Final itself to be held at Wembley Stadium on Sunday 20th May at 3pm.

BLUE SQUARE BET NORTH & SOUTH

The play-off dates for the two Conference Premier feeder leagues are as follows:

**Semi-Final 1st Leg
Wednesday 2nd May**

**Semi-Final 2nd Leg
Sunday 6th May**

**Play-Off Promotion Final
Sunday 13th May**

Woking are favourites to win the Conference South and gain the one automatic promotion place.

Hyde have been long term leaders of the Conference North but face a battle to hold off last year's beaten finalists Guiseley.

Jeff Bowron



AFC Wimbledon celebrate winning the Blue Square Premier play-off final at Manchester City in 2011.

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TREATMENT



TABLE

Yemi Odubade has commenced the final functional phase of his rehabilitation and should re-join the squad for full training by the end of next week. If all goes to plan he should be available for selection for either the Barrow or Grimsby games.

Phil Turnbull has had his big toe x-rayed and whilst there is no fracture he has made limited progress since the injury. He will be scanned on Monday afternoon to ascertain if there is toe flexor or extensor damage. Time scale for return will be given when the scan results are available.

Nathan Fisher has been referred to see a groin/hernia specialist on Wednesday to see if a positive diagnosis can be given to his persistent problem in that area. Despite his scan results coming back clear he has made no progress over the last few weeks.

James Marwood picked up a slight groin strain in the reserve game against Scunthorpe last week and should return to full training at the back end of next week.

James Curtis picked up a slight foot injury last week and has been with the medical team for treatment as a precautionary measure. The injury is around the metatarsal area he fractured last season albeit there is no apparent fracture. Again he should rejoin the squad this week ahead of the Luton game.

Rob Briggs had his cast removed following his elbow fracture and should commence his rehabilitation in earnest in the next couple of weeks.

Gary Neasham

DEAN TAXIS

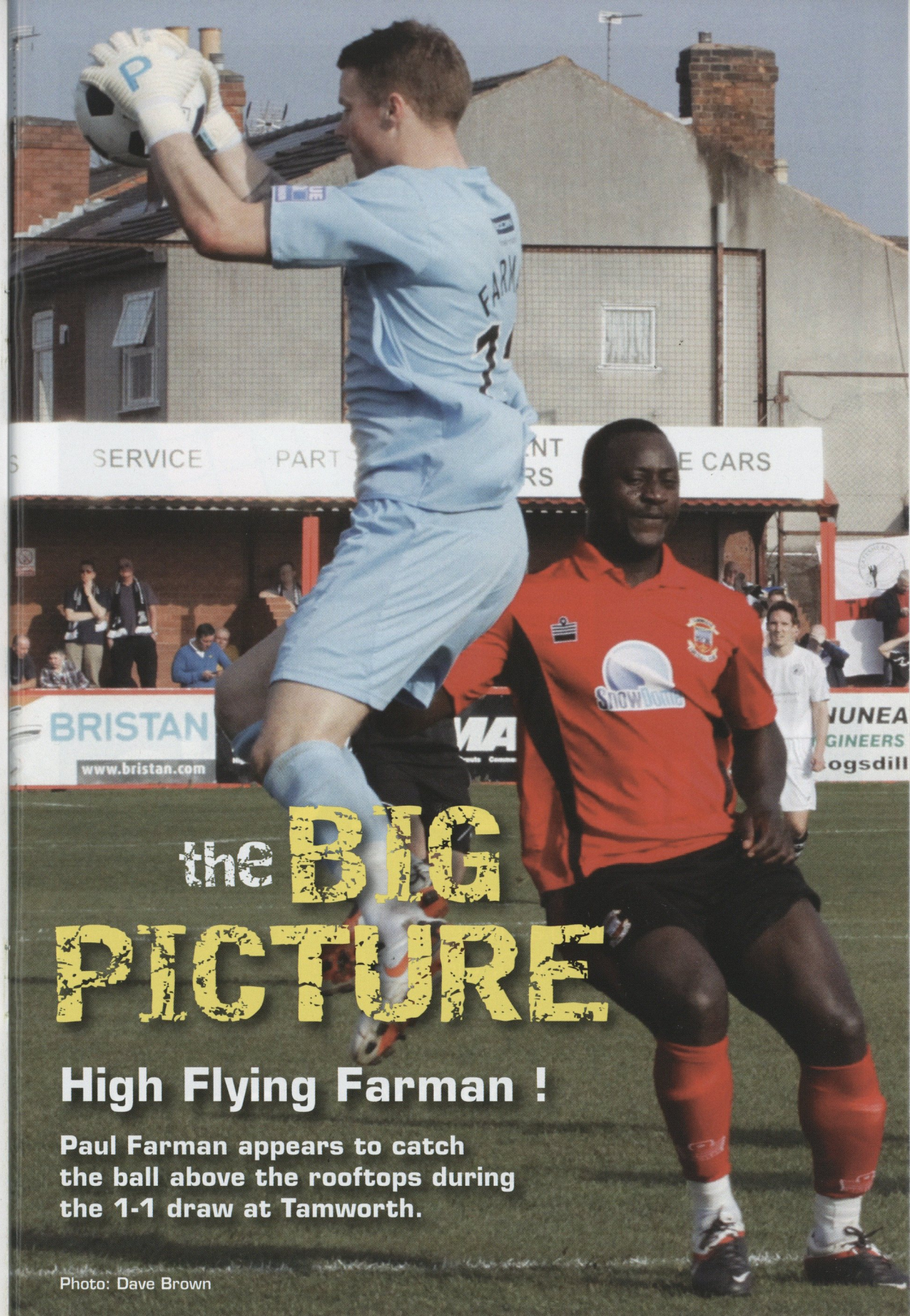
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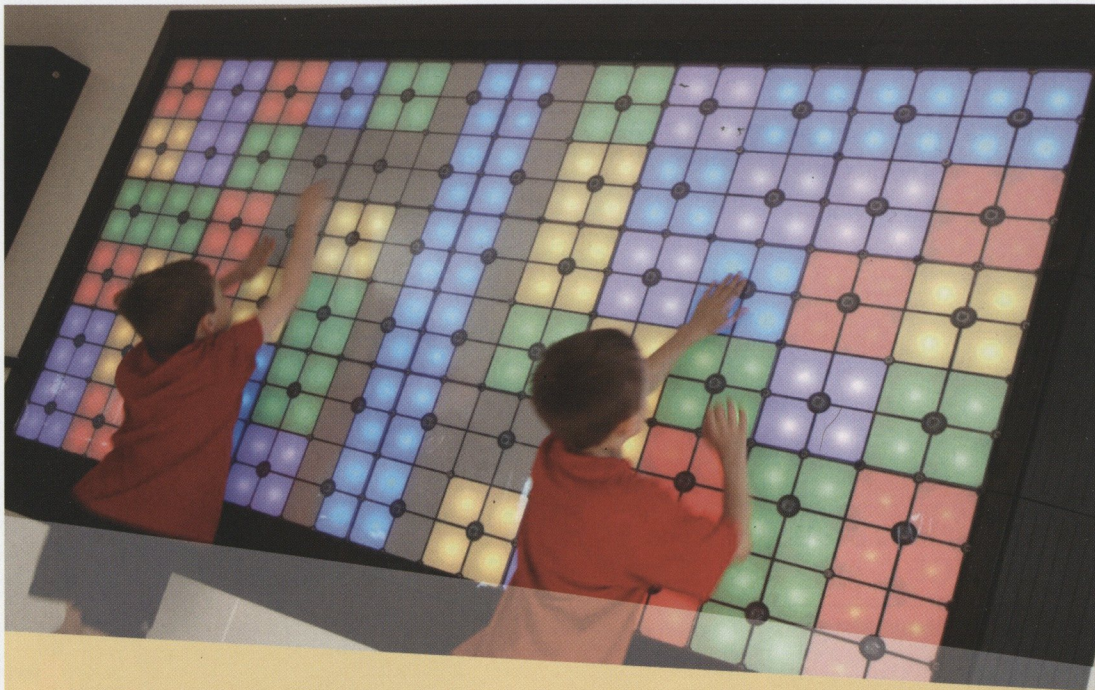


the BIG PICTURE

High Flying Farman !

Paul Farman appears to catch the ball above the rooftops during the 1-1 draw at Tamworth.

Photo: Dave Brown



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The Lonesome Pine

This is my final programme article of the season, which presents the difficult challenge of summarising a season that has not yet reached its conclusion and indeed, if we reach the play-offs, may still have several matches still to go.

Success in getting into the play-offs and then winning them would necessitate an outstanding run of results.

Indeed it would require us to emulate the flying start we made to the season, when six wins and a draw in our opening seven games made us the early pacesetters.

It's a tall order but this being Gateshead, nothing can be ruled out!

Eight months ago of course, some bookies, extraordinarily, had us tipped to be amongst the sides facing a relegation fight.

I don't think any Gateshead fans thought that was in prospect but, equally, few anticipated that we'd be leading the table in September.

It's been a roller-coaster ride since then, with many memorable performances interspersed with the occasional horror show and, in general, we've tended to perform better away from home.

Our last home game, in which we had a frustrating time trying to break through Bath City's 11-man rearguard, typified the difficulty we have sometimes experienced when faced with packed defences.

It's a tribute to the progress Gateshead have made that some teams come to the Stadium with a negative attitude and play for a draw,

and it's up to us to produce the guile necessary to open them up.

Luton Town have drawn a lot of away games this season and it may be that they would regard a point tonight as a reasonable result from a tricky game.

For Gateshead, however, with matches running out, a win is crucial and it would be sweet revenge for the 5-1 reverse at Kenilworth Road in October that was our biggest defeat of the season.

Kenilworth Road has been Luton's home since 1905 and its cramped location, amidst tight terraced housing, has resulted in several, so far abortive, attempts by the club to re-locate to a new ground.

As Gateshead can testify, assembling the right package for a stadium move is no easy task but it appears we are closer to our goal than the Hatters.

Ironically, the fresh talk of progress on the new Prince Consort Road ground comes at a time when facilities, access and atmosphere at the International Stadium are better than ever before.

Certainly much changed from the days when a chilly 170 or so fans shivered in the main stand at some games.



The International Stadium

It remains, however, an athletics venue where football is played rather than a football stadium.

Those of us who took in Dunston's recent FA Vase win against Staveley will have been struck by the tremendous atmosphere that is generated by a big non-league crowd in close proximity to the pitch.

From my vantage point at the clubhouse end on that sunny March day, there was some lively banter from the home fans directed at the visiting custodian Ian Deakin which,



to his credit, he took with good humour and mutual respect at the finish.

It's the sort of matchday experience you just don't get at the Stadium for all its many qualities.



Andrew Bulford celebrates his FA Vase semi-final first leg winner against Staveley.

The climax to a season is a time for looking back, even more so when you reach the grand old age of 50, as I did at the start of last month.

For the last 37 of those 50 years, I've been a regular spectator at the International Stadium (or the Youth Stadium, as it was known when I started going).

Despite its occasional hiccups, this has been one of the most enjoyable campaigns I can remember, with lots of positive and fluid football from Gateshead.

Maybe, just maybe, the final cherry on the birthday cake is still to come this season - whatever the outcome, I hope to be back again in 2012-13.

Come on the Tynesiders!

John Bourn

Month	Date	Opponents	KO	Result	Attendance	Away Fans	Pos	1	2	3	4	
AUG 2011	SAT 13TH	KIDDERMINSTER HARRIERS	A	15:00	W 3:2	1,636	81	3rd	FARMAN	ODHIAMBO	CARRUTHERS	GATE
	TUE 16TH	MANSFIELD TOWN	H	19:45	W 3:0	825	124	1st	FARMAN	ODHIAMBO	CARRUTHERS	GATE
	SAT 20TH	KETERING TOWN	H	15:00	D 1:1	681	12	1st	FARMAN	ODGIAMBO	CARRUTHERS	GATE
	TUE 23RD	SOUTHPORT	A	19:45	W 3:1	957	38	1st	FARMAN	ODHIAMBO	CARRUTHERS	GATE
	SAT 27TH	BARROW	A	15:00	W 2:1	1,291	74	2nd	FARMAN	ODHIAMBO	CARRUTHERS	GATE
SEPT 2011	MON 29TH	GRIMSBY TOWN	H	15:00	W 1:0	1,132	249	2nd	FARMAN	ODHIAMBO	RENTS	GATE
	SAT 3RD	ALFRETON TOWN	H	15:00	W 2:0	991	96	2nd	FARMAN	ODHIAMBO	RENTS	GATE 2
	SAT 10TH	FLEETWOOD TOWN	A	15:00	L 1:3	1,388	94	2nd	FARMAN	ODHIAMBO	RENTS	GATE
	SAT 17TH	CAMBRIDGE UNITED	H	15:00	D 1:1	904	121	1st	FARMAN	ODHIAMBO	RENTS	GATE
	TUE 20TH	LINCOLN CITY	A	19:45	L 0:1	1,587	51	3rd	FARMAN	ODHIAMBO	CARRUTHERS	GATE
OCT 2011	SAT 24TH	HAYES & YEADING UNITED	A	15:00	W 3:2	218	26	2nd	FARMAN	ODHIAMBO	CARRUTHERS	GATE
	TUE 27TH	YORK CITY	H	19:45	W 3:2	1,604	525	1st	FARMAN	ODHIAMBO	RENTS	GATE
	SAT 1ST	TAMWORTH	H	15:00	D 1:1	770	15	1st	FARMAN	ODHIAMBO	RENTS	GATE
	TUE 4TH	WREXHAM	H	19:45	L 1:4	1,258	138	3rd	FARMAN	ODHIAMBO	RENTS	GATE
	SAT 8TH	EBBSFLEET UNITED	A	15:00	W 1:0	947	39	1st	FARMAN	BAXTER	CARRUTHERS	GATE
NOV 2011	SAT 15TH	LUTON TOWN	A	15:00	L 1:5	6,285	108	5th	FARMAN	BAXTER	CARRUTHERS	GATE
	TUE 18TH	SOUTHPORT	H	19:45	L 2:3	737	31	7th	ALNWICK	BAXTER	CARRUTHERS	GATE
	SAT 22ND	AFC TELFORD UNITED	A	15:00	W 2:1	2,484	44	6th	ALNWICK	ODHIAMBO	CARRUTHERS	GATE
	SAT 29TH	HEBBURN TOWN (FAC 4GR)	H	15:00	W 3:0	1,198	327	6th	ALNWICK	BAXTER	CARRUTHERS	GATE
	SAT 5TH	BRAINTREE TOWN	H	15:00	D 2:2	745	47	6th	ALNWICK	BAXTER	CARRUTHERS	GATE
DEC 2011	SAT 12TH	BLYTH SPARTANS (FAC 1R)	A	15:00	W 2:0	2,763	1,022	6th	ALNWICK	BAXTER	CARRUTHERS	GATE
	SAT 19TH	ALFRETON TOWN	A	15:00	D 1:1	651	91	6th	ALNWICK	BAXTER	CARRUTHERS	GATE
	SAT 26TH	FLEETWOOD TOWN	H	15:00	D 1:1	768	81	7th	ALNWICK	BAXTER	CARRUTHERS	GATE
	TUE 29TH	MANSFIELD TOWN	A	19:45	D 1:1	1,513	38	7th	ALNWICK	HENDERSON	RENTS	GATE
	SAT 3RD	TAMWORTH (FAC 2R)	H	15:00	L 1:2	1,163	170	7th	ALNWICK	BAXTER	CARRUTHERS	GATE
JAN 2012	TUE 6TH	STOCKPORT COUNTY	A	19:45	W 1:0	2,366	41	6th	DEASY	ODHIAMBO	RENTS	GATE
	SAT 10TH	KETERING TOWN (FAC 1R)	H	15:00	W 3:2	402	10	6th	DEASY	ODHIAMBO	RENTS	GATE
	SAT 17TH	WREXHAM	A	15:00	L 1:2	3,161	52	7th	DEASY	ODHIAMBO	RENTS	GATE
	MON 26TH	DARLINGTON	H	12:00	D 1:1	1,522	566	8th	DEASY	BAXTER	CARRUTHERS	GATE
	SUN 1ST	DARLINGTON	A	12:00	W 1:0	2,581	308	7th	DEASY	BAXTER	RENTS	MOORE
FEB 2012	SAT 7TH	STOCKPORT COUNTY	H	15:00	W 2:0	846	240	7th	DEASY	BAXTER	RENTS	GILLIES
	TUE 10TH	KIDDERMINSTER HARRIERS	H	19:45	W 2:1	724	79	4th	DEASY	BAXTER	RENTS	GILLIES
	SAT 14TH	BRAINTREE TOWN (FAC 2R)	H	15:00	D 2:2	605	25	4th	DEASY	BAXTER	RENTS	GILLIES
	TUE 17TH	BRAINTREE TOWN (FAC 2BR)	A	19:45	D 1:1	261	17	4th	DEASY	BAXTER	RENTS	GILLIES
	SAT 21ST	LINCOLN CITY	H	15:00	D 3:3	870	178	6th	DEASY	BAXTER	RENTS	CHANDLER
MAR 2012	TUE 24TH	KETERING TOWN	A	19:45	L 1:2	804	34	6th	DEASY	BAXTER	RENTS	CHANDLER
	SAT 28TH	NEWPORT COUNTY	H	15:00	L 2:3	704	51	8th	DEASY	BAXTER	RENTS	CHANDLER
	TUE 14TH	ALFRETON TOWN (FAC 3R)	H	19:45	W 2:1	347	22	8th	DEASY	ODHIAMBO	RENTS	GATE
	SAT 18TH	FOREST GREEN ROVERS	A	15:00	L 1:2	751	31	8th	DEASY	ODHIAMBO	RENTS	GATE
	WED 22ND	YORK CITY	A	19:30	W 2:1	2,683	132	8th	DEASY	BAXTER	RENTS	GATE
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	TUE 6TH	HAYES & YEADING UNITED	H	19:45	W 2:0	465	2	8th	FARMAN	BAXTER	DUMMETT	GATE
	SAT 10TH	BRAINTREE TOWN	A	15:00	L 1:3	650	36	9th	FARMAN	BAXTER	DUMMETT	GATE
	SAT 17TH	CAMBRIDGE UNITED	A	15:00	W 1:0	2,344	24	8th	FARMAN	BAXTER	DUMMETT	CHANDLER
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	SAT 7TH	BARROW	H	15:00								
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MAGNAY	CLARK										

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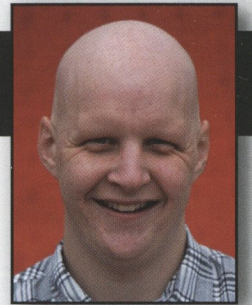
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Player Tracker



It's that time of the month again - another Player Tracker and as always, there's been more than a few talking points.

We start with former loanee **Michael Liddle**, who after seemingly disappearing after his loan spell on Tyneside, resurfaced last month.

The left-back, still with Sunderland, joined League Two side Accrington Stanley on an initial one-month loan deal.

Liddle's spell at the Crown Ground was cut short, however, after he picked up a three match ban following a straight red card at Southend.

Craig Nelthorpe is now at his **5th** club of the season after rejoining one of his many former clubs - Frickley Athletic

The wide-man had began the season at Gainsborough Trinity, before joining Matlock Town and then moving to Conference North side Eastwood Town.

'Nelly' was released after just two weeks, however, due to a budget cut and moved on to Evo-Stik Division One South side Brigg Town.

The former Doncaster Rovers winger left the club almost instantly and made the return to Frickley - marking his debut for the Tykes with a red card after nine minutes!

Elsewhere, **Andy Ferrell** has made a steady start to life back in the North East with Blyth Spartans.

The midfielder has been a regular since joining the Conference North

strugglers on loan from Barrow, marking his debut with a goal in a thrilling 3-3 draw at Droylsden.

Former Gateshead full-back **Phil**

Cave, meanwhile, has been released by the Croft Park club who look set for relegation to the Evo-Stik Premier.

Another former Blyth and Heed man, **Nicky Deverdics**, has resurfaced at rejuvenated Conference Premier outfit Alfreton Town.

The midfielder was playing for Team Northumbria in Northern League

Division Two before making the surprise move to the Reds.

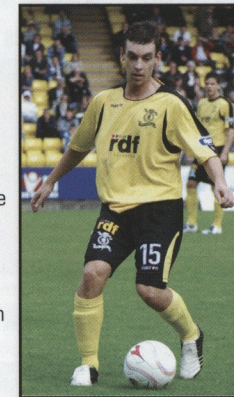
Ex-Gateshead loanee **Joan Simun Edmundsson** was also on the move in February joining Norwegian side Viking from Newcastle United.

Magpies striker **Phil Airey**, who joined Gateshead on loan in January, has been on trial with SPL side St Mirren.

League One trio **Lee Novak**, **Rob Jones** and **James Tavernier** are all involved in the race for promotion.

Novak and Tavernier could battle it out in the play-off's though Huddersfield Town are still in contention to finish in the top two.

Jones' Sheffield Wednesday meanwhile are battling Steel City rivals Sheffield United to finish second and secure automatic promotion back to the Championship.



Phil Cave

Struggling Darlington have failed in their bid to lure veteran defender **Alan White** back to the club.

The centre back, who enjoyed a brief spell at the International Stadium last season, was reluctant to leave Conference North side Harrogate Town.

Heed FA Cup goal hero **Peter Winn** has joined hometown club Grimsby Town from Stevenage on loan for the rest of the season.

The winger was on the bench against Spurs for The Boro's recent last-16 replay at White Hart Lane.

Former Sunderland and Gateshead defender **Darren Williams** meanwhile has become Whitby Town manager after a trial period.



Heed loan star Winn celebrates

Williams has instigated a revival at the Turnbull Ground but the Seasiders still face a fight to avoid relegation from the Evo-Stik Premier.

Paul Reece



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Gateshead Football Club Statistics 2011/12

Name of Player	2011/12 Apps.	2011/12 Sub. Apps.	2011/12 Goals	Pre-2011 Apps.	Pre-2011 Goals	Total GFC Apps.	Total GFC Goals	Debut Game Season & Opponent
Jak Alnwick	9	0	0	0	0	9	0	04/10/11 vs Southport
Craig Baxter	27	4	0	235	9	266	9	02/09/06 vs Ashton United
Martin Brittain	13	11	3	56	11	80	14	08/08/09 vs Histon
Chris Carruthers	22	5	0	0	0	27	0	13/08/11 vs Kidderminster Harriers
Jamie Chandler	11	2	2	0	0	13	2	14/01/12 vs Braintree Town
Ben Clark	41	1	0	53	2	95	2	14/08/10 vs Kettering Town
Micky Cummins	40	3	10	0	0	43	10	13/08/11 vs Kidderminster Harriers
James Curtis	47	0	3	367	14	414	17	16/08/03 vs Leek Town
Tim Deasy	16	0	0	48	0	64	0	14/08/10 vs Kettering Town
Paul Dummett	4	0	0	0	0	4	0	06/03/12 v Hayes & Yeading United
Paul Farman	23	0	0	50	0	73	0	22/09/09 vs Rushden & Diamonds
Nathan Fisher	10	14	2	48	13	72	15	14/08/10 vs Kettering Town
Kris Gate	36	3	6	178	15	217	21	15/09/07 vs Selby Town
Josh Gillies	18	7	1	21	1	46	2	04/09/10 v Cambridge United
Liam Hatch	6	2	2	0	0	8	2	24/01/12 v Kettering Town
Jeff Henderson	6	2	1	0	0	8	1	08/10/11 v Ebbsfleet United
Carl Magnay	1	1	0	0	0	2	0	06/03/12 vs Hayes & Yeading United
James Marwood	6	14	0	26	0	46	0	14/08/10 vs Kettering Town
Chris Moore	16	12	3	0	0	28	3	13/08/11 vs Kidderminster Harriers
Ewan Moyes	1	0	0	0	0	1	0	04/10/11 vs Wrexham
Gary Mulligan	2	13	0	35	7	50	7	14/08/10 vs Kettering Town
Kyle Nix	2	8	0	0	0	10	0	13/08/11 vs Kidderminster Harriers
Alan O'Brien	7	0	0	0	0	7	0	18/02/12 vs Forest Green Rovers
Eddie Odhiambo	20	5	0	0	0	25	0	13/08/11 vs Kidderminster Harriers
Yemi Odubade	30	1	7	0	0	31	7	13/08/11 vs Kidderminster Harriers
Sam Rents	25	6	0	0	0	31	0	23/08/11 vs Southport
Jon Shaw	45	0	34	47	21	92	55	15/12/09 vs Harrogate Town
Phil Turnbull	44	2	1	174	12	220	13	17/12/05 vs Radcliffe Borough



Goals

	Lge	Cup	Total
Jon SHAW	27	7	34
Micky CUMMINS	8	2	10
Yemi ODUBADE	7	0	7
Kris GATE	5	1	6
Martin BRITTAIN	3	0	3
James CURTIS	2	1	3
Chris MOORE	3	0	3
Jamie CHANDLER	1	1	2
Nathan FISHER	0	2	2
Liam HATCH	2	0	2
Josh GILLIES	1	0	1
Jeff HENDERSON	1	0	1
Phil TURNBULL	1	0	1

Cards

	Yellow	Red
Chris CARRUTHERS	4	2
Jamie CHANDLER	1	1
Ben CLARK	1	1
James MARWOOD	1	1
Josh GILLIES	-	1
Carl MAGNAY	-	1
Phil TURNBULL	7	-
James CURTIS	6	-
Liam HATCH	5	-
Eddie ODHIAMBO	5	-
Sam RENTS	4	-
Craig BAXTER	2	-
Paul FARMAN	2	-
Nathan FISHER	2	-
Kris GATE	2	-
Gary MULLIGAN	2	-
Jon SHAW	2	-
Tim DEASY	1	-
Chris MOORE	1	-
Yemi ODUBADE	1	-



Man of the Match AWARDS

Craig BAXTER	6
James CURTIS	6
Yemi ODUBADE	6
Jamie CHANDLER	4
Jon SHAW	4
Kris GATE	3
Chris MOORE	3
Jak ALNWICK	2
Ben CLARK	2
Micky CUMMINS	2
Eddie ODHIAMBO	2
Sam RENTS	2
Martin BRITTAIN	1
Paul FARMAN	1
Nathan FISHER	1
Josh GILLIES	1
Liam HATCH	1
James MARWOOD	1



In Reserve

Gateshead FC Reserves 2011/12



AUGUST 2011

Wed 17	NEWCASTLE UNITED (FR)	A	L 0-5
Wed 24	HARTLEPOOL UNITED	A	W 2-1
Wed 31	HARTLEPOOL UNITED (CLC)	H	W 2-1

SEPTEMBER 2011

Mon 05	ROTHERHAM UNITED	H	W 3-1
Wed 14	CARLISLE UNITED (FR)	H	L 0-2
Wed 21	SUNDERLAND (CLC)	A	L 0-1
Wed 28	GLASGOW RANGERS (FR)	A	L 0-4

OCTOBER 2011

Wed 05	LIVINGSTON	H	D 1-1
Mon 10	BRADFORD CITY	H	L 1-2
Tue 25	MIDDLESBROUGH	A	L 1-4
Mon 31	SOUTH SHIELDS (DCC 1R)	H	W 3-0

NOVEMBER 2011

Wed 09	HULL CITY	A	L 0-4
Mon 21	HULL CITY (CLC)	H	L 1-4

DECEMBER 2011

Wed 07	SCUNTHORPE UNITED (CLC)	A	W 2-1
Wed 21	BRADFORD CITY	A	L 1-4

JANUARY 2012

Wed 11	NORTON & STOCKTON ANCIENTS (DCC 2R)	A	W 3-1
Wed 25	HARTLEPOOL UNITED	H	L 0-1
Mon 30	SHILDON (DCC QF)	H	W 3-1

FEBRUARY 2012

Wed 29	BIRMINGHAM TOWN (DCC SF)	H	W 4-0
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MARCH 2012

Wed 07	MIDDLESBROUGH	H	D 1-1
Mon 12	HULL CITY	H	W 2-1
Tue 27	SCUNTHORPE UNITED	A	W 2-0

APRIL 2012

Fri 06	SPENNYMOOR TOWN (DCC FINAL) N		10:45
Wed 11	SCUNTHORPE UNITED	H	7:00
Mon 16	ROTHERHAM UNITED	A	2:00

Central League East Division

Scunthorpe Utd Res. 0 Gateshead Res. 2

Gateshead reserves completed a League and Cup double over League One outfit Scunthorpe United in Lincolnshire.

Alan O'Brien and Eddie Odhiambo scored the goals during an impressive second half display as the sun beat down at Glanford Park.

The victory stretched the Reserves unbeaten run to five games ahead of the Durham Challenge Cup final showdown with Spenny Moor Town on Good Friday.

Gateshead included nine professionals in their starting line up including on loan Newcastle defender Paul Dummett who played as a left sided centre half.

Republic of Ireland international Alan O'Brien played after recovering from a toe injury with Carl Magnay handed a defensive midfield role before switching back to centre half for the final half hour.

The Heed had plenty of pace in the side with James Marwood, who limped off just before half-time, O'Brien and Chris Moore all fliers.

Manager Ian Bogie and Terry Mitchell were in charge of team affairs and Bogie was delighted with the performance and win.

"It was a comfortable win on a hot afternoon," said Bogie "we were a bit wayward with our passing in the first half but played with more purpose in the second.

"Magnay was very solid in midfield before he moved back into the defence and Odhiambo, who pushed up into midfield after starting at right back, also did well.

"It was a good all round team performance. We restricted Scunthorpe to very little while creating chances at the other end."

Moore was unlucky not to put The Heed ahead on the half hour with an angled shot that hit the bar.



A surging Odhiambo run into the penalty area saw Josh Gillies set up Magnay who shot over the bar.

A Marwood piledriver was then arrowing towards the top corner only for Iron keeper Josh Lillis to make a flying save.

Lillis also saved from Gillies following a Marwood corner before Gateshead stepped it up after the break to forge ahead.

A curling free kick from Robbie Gibbons at the other end was saved by Tim Deasy.

A surging run Jordan Marshall from midfield saw the youngster pick out O'Brien who breezed pass the full back to pass the ball into the net.

It was then game over when Odhiambo scored from close in

after Lillis had parried a shot from substitute Dominic Brown.

Scunthorpe United: Lillis, Lacey, Grayson, Jackson, Canavan, Hornsey, Wootton, Gibbons, Connelly, Wint, Matthews.

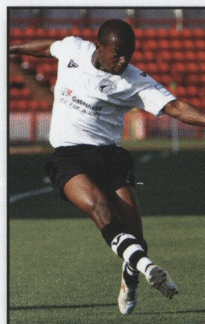
Subs: Thomas, Waring, Megson, Snow, Akeister.

Gateshead: Deasy, Odhiambo, Rents, Gilbert, Dummett, Magnay, Moore, Marwood, Marshall, Gillies, O'Brien.

Subs: Brown, Doyle, Luke.

Jeff Bowron

Team	P	W	D	L	F	A	GD	PTS
1 Middlesbrough	10	7	1	2	26	14	12	22
2 Bradford City	8	5	1	2	17	11	6	16
3 Hartlepool United	10	5	1	4	17	11	6	16
4 Hull City	10	4	1	5	19	14	5	13
5 GATESHEAD	10	4	1	5	13	19	-6	13
6 Rotherham United	10	3	2	5	10	18	-8	11
7 Scunthorpe United	8	1	1	6	8	21	-13	3



Odhiambo - clincher

Gateshead FC U.19s



Football Conference Youth Alliance North Gateshead FC U.19s. 6 Fleetwood Town U.19s. 1

Gateshead FC U.19s remain in contention for the League championship after they demolished Fleetwood Town on Tyneside.

A sparkling first half performance opened up a four goal lead, the Heed youngsters adding two more after the break.

Paul Bryson's side got off to a storming start with a goal in the second minute, Luke Carr, set up by Lee Mole, hitting a right foot shot into the top corner.

A tremendous ball out of defence from Liam Cox brought the second on 14 minutes, Lewis Lynch taking the ball in his stride to find the bottom corner.

Good pressing in midfield saw Luke Proctor gain possession to slide in Carr who this time found the bottom left corner.

Unbeaten in their previous 14 games Gateshead's passing and movement was out of the top drawer and they were four up after 37 minutes.

Johnny Evans' through ball saw Lynch score his second of the afternoon, the visitors pulling a well worked goal back through Peterson just before the break.

With the game won Gateshead dropped off the pace in the second half despite adding to their lead five minutes in.



Josh Allan

Proctor's low corner was allowed to reach defender Josh Allan who found the net from close range.

Fleetwood full back Garratt had a shot that glanced off the bar before Proctor tapped home a Nick Doyle low cross in the 85th minute to complete the scoring.

"We were excellent in the first half," said coach Paul Bryson "and if we win our last two games we will win the league which would be a great achievement."

Gateshead FC U.19s: Jameson, Cox (Doyle 55), Short, Luke (Oman 55), Lilley, Mole (Allan 55), Evans, Proctor, Sweet, Lynch, Carr.
Subs: Ling (gk), Halliday.

Football Conference Youth Alliance League Cup - Semi-Final Birmingham City Whites U.19s. 6 Gateshead FC U.19s. 1

Gateshead's long unbeaten run came to a shuddering end in the midlands as their hopes of claiming the double evaporated.

Unbeaten Central Division leaders Birmingham City Whites were too powerful as The Heed young guns crashed to their heaviest defeat of the season by some distance.

Two goals in the last five minutes of the first half and two more in the opening five minutes of the second blew Paul Bryson's side out of the water.

"We were well beaten by a stronger and more talented Birmingham City side," said Bryson "and the four goals either side of half-time killed us.



Luke Carr

"The occasion maybe was too much for some of the players and only Luke Carr emerged with any credit.

"We've now got to put this behind us as we've got two more cup finals left to win the league, so we must bounce straight back."

Kyle Shepherd gave City a 7th minute lead which was cancelled out by Jonny Evans from six yards after good link up play between Carr and Luke Proctor.

Omar James, however, scored twice in three minutes just before the break, the first off the post and the second a header.

A weak Liam Cox challenge was punished by Ryan Edwards two minutes after the restart and Jamie Holder's free header soon made it five.

Leon Spink scored from near the penalty spot to complete the rout on the hour, Gateshead U.19s having done well to reach the last four in their first season.

Gateshead FC U.19s: Jameson, Cox (Doyle 55), Short, Luke (Oman 55), Lilley, Mole (Allan 55), Evans, Proctor, Sweet, Lynch, Carr.
Subs: Ling (gk), Graham.

Jeff Bowron

Gateshead FC U.19s 2011/12



SEPTEMBER 2011

Wed 14	ILKESTON	A	L 1-3
Mon 19	DARLINGTON (FAYC 1ST QR)	H	L 0-3
Wed 28	BIRMINGHAM CITY BLUES	H	D 1-1

OCTOBER 2011

Fri 21	FC HALIFAX TOWN	H	L 0-1
Wed 26	STALYBRIDGE CELTIC	H	W 6-0

NOVEMBER 2011

Wed 02	MANSFIELD TOWN	H	L 1-3
Wed 09	NEWCASTLE TOWN	A	W 4-1
Wed 16	BIRMINGHAM CITY BLUES	A	D 1-1
Wed 23	FLEETWOOD TOWN	A	W 4-0
Wed 30	MMU NEWCASTLE	A	W 2-0

DECEMBER 2011

Wed 14	ILKESTON	H	W 4-0
Mon 19	BOSTON UNITED	H	W 7-1

JANUARY 2012

Wed 18	CV REDS (FCYA LC 2R)	H	W 3-2
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FEBRUARY 2012

Wed 01	FC HALIFAX TOWN	A	W 2-1
Wed 15	KIDDERMINSTER HARRIERS (FCYA LC 3R)	H	W 3-1
Wed 22	MANSFIELD TOWN	A	D 1-1
Wed 29	NEWCASTLE TOWN	H	W 2-1

MARCH 2012

Wed 07	DAGENHAM & REDBRIDGE (FCYA LC QF)	H	W 2-0
Wed 14	BOSTON UNITED	A	W 2-0
Wed 21	FLEETWOOD TOWN	H	W 6-1
Wed 28	BIRMINGHAM CITY WHITES (FCYA LC SF)	A	L 1-6

APRIL 2012

Wed 04	MMU NEWCASTLE	H	2:00
Wed 18	STALYBRIDGE CELTIC	A	2:00



Football Firsts

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LIAM HATCH



Team	Letchworth Garden City Eagles FC U.8's (Hertfordshire).
Boots	Addidas World Cup's
Position	Centre Forward
Honours	Kent School Cup winner with Hearson School U.15's.
Pro/semi-pro Club	Ramsgate
Manager	Nick Denley
Senior Goal	Herne Bay v Thamesmead Town, 2000/01.
Transfer	Herne Bay to Gravesend, 2001.
Red Card	Luton Town v Cambridge United, 2009/10.
Senior Honours	Kent League Winner with Herne Bay 2000/01.
Heed Game	Kettering Town (A), 24th Jan, 2012.
Heed Goal	Newport County, (H) 28th Jan, 2012.

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Tonight's match is one Paul Dixon and I have been looking forward to for some time.

For me, there is something extra special about evening games at the International Stadium, and with the biggest club in the division in town, and a decent crowd expected, it is all set to be another cracker.

Gateshead's recent run of results mean a play-off position is back within reach, but this is surely one game they have to take maximum points from if they are to finish in the top five.

In contrast, Luton's form has not been what you would expect of a promotion chasing side, but Ian Bogie and his players need no reminder of just how dangerous The Hatters can be.

I commentated from Kenilworth Road in mid-October as Gateshead, having started the game brightly, went on to concede five goals.

Luton's finishing that day was clinical and they looked very much like a side who could go on to win the league.

They also ended The Heed's FA Trophy dreams in February with a 2-0 win in Bedfordshire.

But, while top spot may now be out of their grasp, and York City prevented Gary Brabin's men reaching Wembley in the Trophy, they remain an excellent side and will be coming here with the intention of winning - no question.

I am particularly looking forward to seeing Gateshead's Liam Hatch in action between now and the end of the season.

The former Darlington player was a real menace when playing against The Heed, and now he seems to be free from injury, we are seeing signs of what he is capable of, with a goal against Cambridge and a superb showing at home to Bath a fortnight ago.

I also think the restoration of Martin Britain to the starting line up could be

significant. When he is on form, there are few better in this league, and his crosses and set pieces could be the difference between finishing in 5th - or higher - or just outside the play-off spots.

You can hear commentary from BBC Newcastle tonight on bbc.co.uk/tyneandwear

We will have Gateshead reaction in Total Sport tomorrow from 5.30pm, with Simon Pryde, John Anderson and Marco Gabbiadini.

We want to hear from Gateshead fans, so do ring in on 0191 232 65 65 tomorrow, or find us on Facebook by searching for 'BBC Newcastle Total Sport'.

Matthew Raisbeck



Gateshead FC Supporters Club



We're in the final month of the season, so it's time to think about the Supporters' Club Annual Awards.

Voting will take place at our home games over the next two Saturdays.

There are three categories to vote on: Player of the Year, Goal of the Season and Reserve Team Player of the Year.

The Supporters' Club also presents a trophy to our top scorer each season - I suspect we can safely get that one engraved already!

Come and see me in the northern part of the Concourse on Saturday to pick up your voting slip.

Voting is open to all supporters, whether Supporters Club members or not - but if you're not a member, you should be!

Don't forget that we have a big date coming up this Friday morning with the Durham Challenge Cup Final against Spennymoor Town at Hetton-le-Hole.

Good Friday being a bank holiday, there won't be a lot of public transport running, so your best bet is to join us on our coach - the fare is only £5.

Departure is from the Civic Centre at 9:45am, and tonight is your last chance to book your seat for the short trip.

If you missed our lads lifting the trophy to make history a year ago, you should still be kicking yourself - don't miss it again!

Finally, a reminder that our next Executive Committee Meeting is at 7pm the night before, Thursday 5th, at the Tilley Stone (Wetherspoons) on Jackson Street, and is open to all.

It will be followed at around 8:30pm by a Quiz and other games, to get you in the mood for the Easter weekend.

See you there!

Alan Price

AWAY TRAVEL

Forthcoming trips:

Easter Monday 9th April 2012

Grimsby Town

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Saturday 21st April 2012

Bath City

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Please see Away Travel Organiser **Tony Carter (07713-723586)** or **Alan Price** tonight if you wish to travel to any of the games mentioned above. Fares, along with modes of transport, will depend on the numbers travelling.

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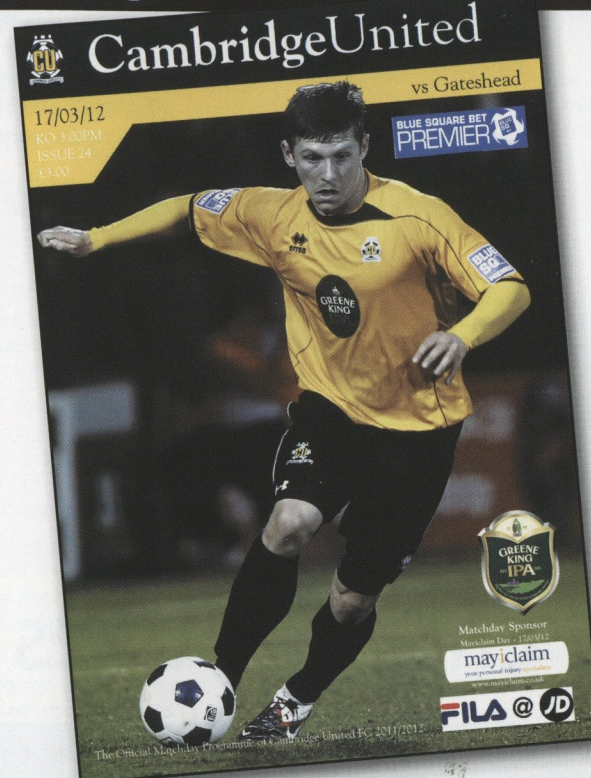
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Programme Parade



Cambridge United



Price: £3.00 (68 pages)

Adverts (22 pages) **Away Club Info** (5 pages)

Overview: Cambridge United's programme was one of the best in the Conference last season and this season's has maintained that standard. A classy 68 page publication with good photographs and articles and plenty to read.

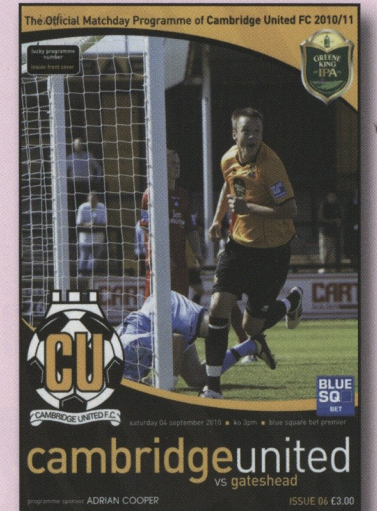
Positives: A quality publication that pays attention to detail.

Negatives: The visitors section could be more innovative.



Programme Rating: 9/10

2010/11 SEASON



Last season's Cambridge programme was also 68 pages with the club's colours, amber and black, again featured strongly.

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Heading for a Good Friday ?



Gateshead will hope to pick up their first silverware of the season later this week when the reserves take on Spennymoor Town in the final of the Durham Challenge Cup.

The Good Friday showdown takes place at the Hetton Centre in Hetton-le-Hole, with a 10:45am kick-off.

Gateshead have reached the Durham Challenge Cup Final in three of the last five years while The Moors are contesting their first County Cup final for over a decade.

In 2008 The Heed lost 2-0 against Sunderland Reserves at the Stadium of Light in front of a four figure crowd, 900 making the short trip from Gateshead.

Last season the club won the County Cup for the first time when Gateshead Reserves beat neighbours Dunston UTS 2-0 at the Hetton Centre.

A goal in each half from James Marwood and Jonny Allan secured a deserved victory on a warm Easter morning.

The Tynesiders second string have beaten four STL Northern league top flight sides this season scoring 13 goals in the process, to reach the final again.

The 16 on duty on Good Friday will be a mixture of professionals and up and coming juniors as The Heed look to get the better of The Moors.

Spennymoor Town have won the local Northern League for the last two years, accumulating a century of points on each occasion.

This season, however, they are in a four way fight for the championship with Dunston UTS, West Auckland and Sunderland RCA.

The Moors are managed by former Gateshead midfielder Jason Ainsley and include six former Tynesiders in their squad.

The most high profile is Jamie Harwood who played in The Heed's back-to-back promotions that took the club into the Conference National.

Top Northern League strikers Adam Johnston and Steven Richardson both had spells at Gateshead, Johnston in the UniBond league and Richardson in the Blue Square Premier.

Defender Michael Laws and midfield man Keith Graydon both had short spells at the International Stadium, as did full back Chris Mason.

The County Durham club also have 36-year-old former Darlington and Mansfield Town central defender Steve Foster in their ranks.

Foster captained hometown club Mansfield in the FA Trophy final at Wembley last year but has returned to the North East to wind down his career in the Northern League.

There is plenty of quality and experience in the Spennymoor squad, including former Heed target Gavin Cogdon, but their title challenge has faltered of late.



Moors - Northern League winners.

The Brewery Field outfit lost 1-0 at Consett and had Graydon and Laws sent off in a shock 4-2 defeat at lowly Jarrow Roofing last week.

"Spennymoor Town will undoubtedly be the strongest side we have faced in the Durham Challenge Cup this season," said Reserves manager Paul Bryson.

"It was great to win the County Cup last year, the first time in the club's history, and it will be a real coup if we can retain the trophy on Friday.



Gateshead Res. - DCC winners 2011

"Spennymoor will doubtless be well supported so I hope the Heed Army turn out in numbers to cheer the lads on."

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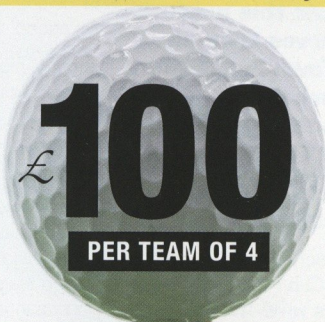
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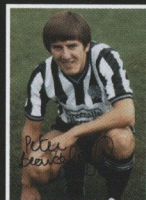
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GATESHEAD FC - NO SMOKING DAY

Gateshead Football club recently supported the No Smoking Day campaign in the Wrekenton area of town.

The Gateshead Council initiative was part of the National No Smoking Day campaign across the country.



Long serving players James Curtis and Phil Turnbull along with James Marwood and Carl Magnay gave up their time to visit local schools to promote the initiative.

Local school children from St. Oswald's, Larkspur and St Anne's Primary Schools, Hilltop and Cardinal Hume Senior School were involved in the project, as were The Base and volunteers from Springwell Community Centre.

Gateshead FC donated 30 complimentary Family Tickets for the home game against Forest Green Rovers on Saturday 14th April.

This will allow 30 adults and 30 children who were part of the campaign to watch their hometown club in action free of charge.

The club also donated 15 footballs signed by the Gateshead squad for the winners of the competition.

"We were delighted to back such a worthwhile campaign," said Gateshead vice-chairman Brian Waites.

"I trust the children and accompanying adults enjoy their day at the International Stadium when we entertain Forest Green next month."

ANNUAL GOLF DAY AND DINNER

Gateshead Football Club has two big annual events coming up in May.

First up on Friday 4th May at Ravensworth Golf Club in the town is the famed Gateshead FC Golf Day.

A bacon sandwich and coffee will be served on arrival and there will be a hot meal in the clubhouse after the rounds are complete.

To book your place on what is always a great day contact Jeff Lee from the Gateshead FC Commercial department on: 07984-866896.

Gateshead FC's prestigious Annual Dinner will be on Saturday 26th May, and will again be at the Gateshead Hilton.

Entertainment will be provided by Impressionist Kevin Connolly and Guest Speaker Peter Beardsley while a three course meal will be served.

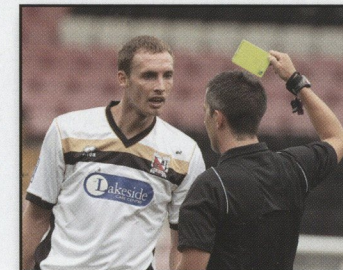
Tickets, priced £45 or £450 for a table of ten, are available from Gateshead FC Commercial Manager Grahame McDonnell on: 07917-886721.

STATS - HIGHS & LOWS

Before the last round of games Gateshead had committed fewer fouls than any other side in the Blue Square Bet Premier.

The Heed had been penalised on 357 occasions from 39 league games, four less than relegation bound Bath City.

The fourth cleanest side in the Conference are tonight's visitors Luton Town with 393 fouls.



Only Stockport County had picked up fewer yellow cards than Gateshead's 43, though Heed striker Liam Hatch is the most cautioned player in the competition.

Ahead of Saturday's trip to Newport Hatch had racked up 14 bookings, ten of which were picked up at Darlington in the first half of the season.

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GATESHEAD FC NO SMOKING DAY



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Gateshead FC caught on camera.



Jon Shaw goes head-to-head during the 1-0 win over Bath City at the International Stadium.

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Ben Clark gets the better of his man during the 1-1 draw at Tamworth.

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Around The Conference

POND MILESTONE

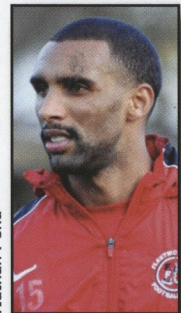
Nathan Pond joined Fleetwood Town as a raw 18-year-old and recently achieved a significant landmark for the Blue Square Bet Premier leaders.

Pond, 26, is still a first team regular but four divisions higher and made his 300th league appearance for

Fleetwood against Mansfield Town who were a Second Division side when he made his debut for the Cod Men.

Pond made his Fleetwood debut at St Helens Town in front of just 81 spectators on 29th March 2003.

He became a key part of successive sides which gained four promotions and with 48 goals is set to achieve a significant goalscoring milestone as well.



Nathan Pond

"There are many good memories to look back on and hopefully many more to come," said Pond.

"The four promotions have all been memorable but a fifth would be so important as it would get us into the Football League."

"As long as I'm on the pitch I don't mind if I'm playing in midfield or defence.

"I've been playing on the left side of defence and would ideally prefer the right but it doesn't bother me if I'm getting match time."

"Without a doubt I can perform in the Football League. I've proved myself at every level and done well against League opposition in the FA Cup.

"It's a great achievement for me personally to reach the 300 game milestone and it was a bonus to get the right result on the day."

REDS AID UNITED CAUSE

Crawley Town have allowed former Peterborough United youngsters Aaron Wickham and Dan Evans to join Blue Square Bet Premier relegation battlers Hayes & Yeading United on loan.



Steve Evans

"Nas Bashir gave me a call and asked for the two lads," said Crawley boss Steve Evans "he has watched them several times recently and as it gives them a chance to play senior football.



Nas Bashir

"It was easy to say yes as I am sure they will learn a lot under a good manager."

On the down side, Stevenage have recalled striker Michael Thalassitis from his successful loan spell with the Kingfield-based club.

ROMANS CASH BOOST

Bath City have confirmed that global accounting firm Moore Stephens have agreed to extend their sponsorship of the club by a further year.



Twerton Park

Moore Stephens signed their first sponsorship deal with the Romans for the 2010/11 campaign, and have now committed to a third year.

Commenting on the deal, Moore Stephens partner Rob Branch told the club's official website:

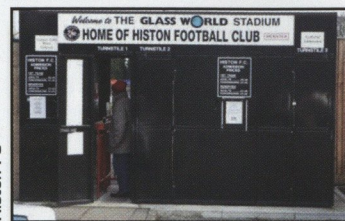
"We wanted to make an early commitment to Bath City so that they can begin planning next season's finances now.

"We also believe in long-term relationships. Even though this season has not gone as well as everyone had hoped, we believe in Bath City's future and we want to be a part of it

"This is not a time for commercial partners to dither and leave the club in limbo."

STUTES PROBLEMS DEEPEN

Angelo Dama has sent further shock waves through Blue Square Bet North club Histon by resigning as vice-chairman.



Histon FC

That leaves further question marks over the Stutes' financial future as it struggles to pay off debts, players wages and running costs until the end of the season.

Dama joined the board in 2004 and has been a key figure at the club during their rise up the non-league ladder.

His resignation comes at a time when the club has appealed to supporters for financial help, £150 contributions to get the club through the final month.

A statement from the club said: "During his time with Histon as main sponsor, board member and vice chairman, Angelo's contribution has been enormous and cannot be underestimated."

Jeff Bowron



Conference Tables 2011/12



Pos	Team	P	W	D	L	F	A	GD	PTS
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	39	19	13	7	74	41	33	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	21	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	39	15	12	12	47	37	10	57
12	Braintree Town	41	16	9	16	70	71	-1	57
13	Barrow	41	16	7	18	55	67	-12	55
14	Ebbsfleet 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	40	11	9	20	46	56	-10	42
18	AFC Telford United	41	9	14	18	42	59	-17	41
19	Stockport County	41	9	14	18	48	70	-22	41
20	Newport County	38	9	11	18	46	56	-10	38
21	Hayes & Yeading Utd	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

* Darlington deducted 10 pts for going into administration.
* Kettering Town deducted 3 pts for breaching league rules.



Pos	Team	P	W	D	L	F	A	GD	PTS
1	Hyde	37	23	8	6	78	33	45	77
2	Guiseley	36	21	9	6	73	41	32	72
3	Nuneaton Town	37	19	10	8	64	38	26	67
4	FC Halifax	37	18	10	9	71	52	19	64
5	Gainsborough Trinity	37	20	4	13	63	52	11	64
6	Stalybridge Celtic	36	17	11	8	73	53	20	62
7	Worcester City	37	17	9	11	59	51	8	60
8	Altrincham	37	16	9	12	78	60	18	57
9	Boston United	37	15	8	14	53	53	0	53
10	Droylsden	35	14	8	13	67	72	-5	50
11	Colwyn Bay	37	14	6	17	46	60	-14	48
12	Solihull Moors	36	13	8	15	39	43	-4	47
13	Corby Town	37	13	7	17	57	59	-2	46
14	Gloucester City	36	13	7	16	45	49	-4	46
15	Workington	37	12	7	18	48	56	-8	43
16	Bishops Cleeve	36	12	7	17	57	69	-12	43
17	Histon	36	10	12	14	55	63	-8	42
18	Harrogate Town	36	12	6	18	48	65	-17	42
19	Hinckley United	36	11	8	17	65	76	-11	41
20	Vauxhall Motors	36	11	8	17	54	66	-12	41
21	Blyth Spartans	36	5	12	19	42	72	-30	27
22	Eastwood Town	37	4	8	25	35	87	-52	20

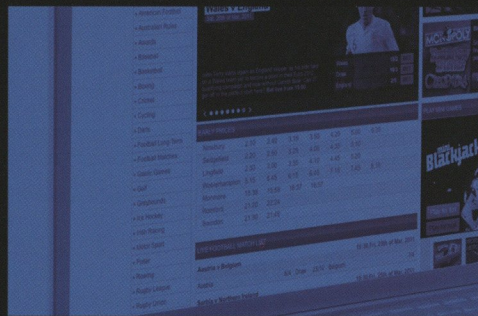


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1	Woking	36	25	6	5	75	34	41	81
2	Dartford	35	22	7	6	80	35	45	73
3	Welling United	36	21	7	8	72	45	27	70
4	Sutton United	36	18	12	6	62	48	14	66
5	Chelmsford City	36	17	10	9	61	37	24	61
6	Dover Athletic	36	15	13	8	55	40	15	58
7	Basingstoke Town	35	15	10	10	53	43	10	55
8	Tonbridge Angels	36	14	10	12	61	55	-6	52
9	Dorchester Town	36	14	7	15	51	55	-4	49
10	Boreham Wood	35	13	9	13	51	50	1	48
11	Weston-Super-Mare	36	14	5	17	54	65	-11	47
12	Eastleigh	36	13	7	16	50	56	-6	46
13	Farnborough	36	13	6	17	46	66	-20	45
14	Salisbury City	35	11	10	14	43	47	-4	43
15	Eastbourne Borough	35	11	9	15	50	56	-6	42
16	Truro City	36	12	6	18	56	70	-14	42
17	Maidenhead United	36	10	8	18	39	62	-23	38
18	Bromley	36	8	12	16	46	61	-15	36
19	Havant & Waterlooville	35	8	11	16	56	66	-10	35
20	Hampton & Richmond	34	8	11	15	47	59	-12	35
21	Staines Town	36	9	8	19	43	57	-14	35
22	Thurrock	36	4	10	22	30	74	-44	22

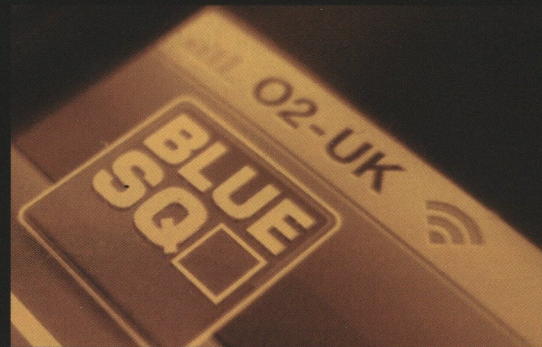
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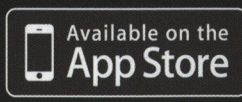


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LAST 6 GAMES

Team Name	P	W	D	L	F	A	GD	PTS
1 Fleetwood Town	6	5	1	0	15	4	11	16
2 Alfreton Town	6	5	0	1	12	9	3	15
3 Mansfield Town	6	4	1	1	16	6	10	13
4 Wrexham	6	4	1	1	15	5	10	13
5 York City	6	4	1	1	9	5	4	13
6 Southport	6	3	2	1	9	3	6	11
7 Braintree Town	6	3	1	2	13	10	3	10
8 Kidderminster Harriers	6	3	1	2	10	7	3	10
9 Hayes & Yeading United	6	3	1	2	8	6	2	10
10 GATESHEAD	6	3	1	2	6	5	1	10
11 Lincoln City	6	3	0	3	10	6	4	9
12 Forest Green Rovers	6	3	0	3	10	8	2	9
13 Ebbsfleet United	6	3	0	3	7	10	-3	9
14 Stockport County	6	3	0	3	9	13	-4	9
15 Cambridge United	6	2	2	2	5	5	0	8
16 AFC Telford United	6	2	2	2	9	10	-1	8
17 Grimsby Town	6	1	3	2	7	8	-1	6
18 Bath City	6	2	0	4	4	11	-7	6
19 Newport County	6	1	2	3	7	10	-3	5
20 LUTON TOWN	6	1	2	3	5	9	-4	5
21 Kettering Town	6	1	1	4	3	8	-5	4
22 Tamworth	6	0	4	2	2	7	-5	4
23 Darlington	6	0	2	4	7	14	-7	2
24 Barrow	6	0	0	6	0	18	-18	0

Blue Square Premier Leading Scorers 2011/12

Vardy Fleetwood Town	29
Shaw Gateshead	27
Green Mansfield Town	26
Hearn Grimsby Town	26
Gray Southport	21
Mangan Fleetwood Town	19
Speight Wrexham	19
Cook Barrow	16
Klukowski Forest Green Rovers	16
Walker York City	16
Willcock Ebbsfleet United	16
Soares* Grimsby Town	15
Wright Braintree Town	15
Boyes Barrow	14
Marks Braintree Town	13

* 15 goals with Hayes & Yeading United.



Blue Square Bet Premier FIXTURES

TUESDAY 3RD APRIL, 2012

GATESHEAD v Luton Town



Lincoln City v Cambridge United



Newport County v York City



FRIDAY 6TH APRIL, 2012

Forest Green Rovers v Ebbsfleet United



Wrexham v Alfreton Town



Tamworth v Bath City



On The Horizon



"Yes, we are a young side but the only way they will get better and learn is by putting in performances week-in, week-out, and we hit rock bottom in the games against Mansfield and Braintree."

The Mansfield defeat was their heaviest in 37 years but the Bluebirds still harbour hopes of achieving their best ever finish in 40 years of Non-League Football.

They are trying to break a 30-year record high Conference points tally of 65 points achieved in the 1981/82 season when they finished 8th.

**Saturday 7th April 2012
Blue Square Bet Premier**

**GATESHEAD v
BARROW**

**International Stadium
Kick-Off 3.00pm**



Gateshead are on home duty again on Saturday when they take on old adversaries Barrow, looking to complete a double after winning 2-1 at Holker Street.

The Cumbrians followed a productive February with a nightmare March and will be looking for a bit of consistency in the final month.

Seven points were taken from a possible nine in February with wins over Kettering Town and Luton Town and March began with an impressive 2-1 win at Kidderminster.

Five straight defeats without scoring followed to wipe out any slim hopes Barrow had of gatecrashing the play-offs.

A humiliating 7-0 defeat at Mansfield Town was followed by a 4-0 drubbing at home to Braintree Town who completed the double over the Cumbrians.

Those two maulings left manager Dave Bayliss, now in sole charge at Holker Street, furious with his charges.

"To go from four points off the play-offs to a really poor mid-table side is beyond me," said Bayliss.

**Monday 9th April 2012
Blue Square Bet Premier**

**GRIMSBY TOWN v
GATESHEAD**

**Blundell Park
Kick-Off 3.00pm**



On Easter Monday Gateshead travel to another club with play-off ambitions, Grimsby Town.

A goal from Jon Shaw was enough to defeat the Mariners at the International Stadium in the opening month of the season.

Shaw opened the campaign by scoring in each of the first six games and he will come up against one of his rivals for the Conference Golden Boot at Blundell Park.

Liam Hearn has had a superb first season at Grimsby after signing from Conference rivals Alfreton Town.

Micky Cummins will be keen to put one over his former club who have enjoyed

a good second half of the season.

The Mariners won six and drew one of their seven games in January as they became the form side of the new year.

A number of draws in March slowed down the play-off charge and they have lost five games at home while being held to a draw in four others.

Gateshead produced a real late show on their last visit to the Lincolnshire side when two goals from Richard Offiong and Nathan Fisher earned a 2-2 draw.

A large Bank Holiday crowd in excess of 3,000 is expected on Easter Monday when the Heed Army will travel in numbers.

**Blundell Park,
Cleethorpes,
Lincolnshire, DN35 7PY.**

Blundell Park is a traditional English football stadium and is located in Cleethorpes rather than the town of Grimsby.

The stadium was built in 1898, but only one of the original stands remains.

The current capacity of the ground is 9,546, Blundell Park becoming an all-seater venue in the late 1980s seeing the capacity reduced from the near 27,000 it could hold.

Blundell Park is covered on all four sides, including a two-tiered main stand, and not so long ago staged 2nd division (Championship) football.

Gateshead FC Supporters Club will be running transport to Grimsby and Bath - contact Tony Carter on 07713-723586 for details.

Supporters are reminded that turnstiles at BOTH ends of the Tyne & Wear Stand are available for Gateshead supporters at all home games.



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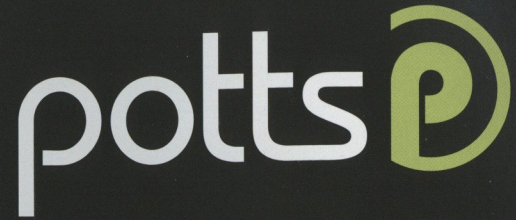
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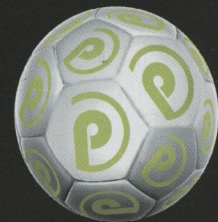
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Gateshead FC

Manager **Ian Bogie**

Colours **White / Black / Black**

1	(GK) Tim Deasy	
2	Eddie Odhiambo	
3	Sam Rents	
4	Kris Gate	
5	James Curtis	
6	(C) Ben Clark	
7	Martin Brittain	
8	Phil Turnbull	
9	Jon Shaw	
10	Yemi Odubade	
11	Micky Cummins	
12	Nathan Fisher	
13	(GK) Paul Farman	
14	Craig Baxter	
15	Liam Hatch	
16	Josh Gillies	
17	James Marwood	
18	Carl Magnay	
19	Chris Moore	
20	Chris Carruthers	
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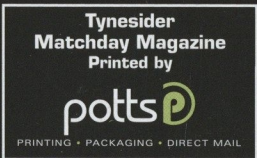


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Caretaker Managers

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Colours **Orange / Blue / White**

1	(GK) Mark Tyler	
2	Dan Gleeson	
3	Greg Taylor	
4	Keith Keane	
5	Dean Beckwith	
6	(C) George Pilkington	
7	Alex Lawless	
8	Amari Morgan-Smith	
10	Danny Crow	
11	Robbie Willmott	
12	Shane Blackett	
13	Stuart Fleetwood	
14	Aaron O'Connor	
15	Jake Howells	
16	Ed Asafu-Adjaye	
18	Curtis Osano	
19	James Dance	
20	John-Paul Kissock	
21	Charlie Henry	
27	Andre Gray	
28	Adam Watkins	
29	Dan Walker	
31	(GK) Lewis Kidd	
34	Janos Kovacs	

Referee Richard West (Hull) Assistants Andrew Miller (Lanchester) Steve Rowntree (Scarborough) 4th Official Warren Broadbent (Sunderland)

NEXT AT THE INTERNATIONAL STADIUM



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