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Luton Town



Mark Tyler
Lathaniel Rowe-Turner
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Garry Richards
Dean Beckwith
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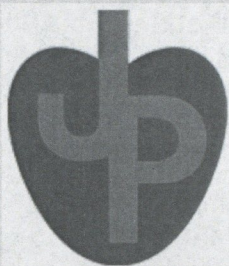


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Quiz of the Gladiators

1. How many times has the Gladiators reached this stage (last 32) of the FA Trophy?
2. When was the last time Matlock won a game in this round?
3. Which team knocked out Town the last time they reached the last 32 in 2000-01?
4. Who scored the Gladiators last goal in this round?
Was it Nick Tilly, James Lukic or Mark Shaw?
5. How many times have Matlock passed this stage of the FA Trophy?

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Gladiators' Gossip

Who would have imagined a few years ago that the Gladiators and the Hatters would be facing each other in a competitive game at the Reynolds Stadium?

Luton Town have been at the highest professional level in the English game. Who can forget their manager David Pleat racing on to the pitch at Maine Road, Manchester when top flight survival had been achieved against Manchester City? They were also Football league Cup winners in 1998, beating Arsenal in a memorable final. Then there was Eric Morecambe, a fine comedian and a big Luton Town supporter. Plus of course the plastic pitch at Kenilworth Road that let's be honest was mostly disliked along with similar surfaces at other grounds. So we are playing a big club today and we are delighted to welcome everyone from Luton to our ground and hope you enjoy your short stay here. Undoubtedly the Gladiators go into the game as undisputed underdogs, but Mansfield were expected to beat us quite convincingly in the last round, but didn't, hence we are here this afternoon.

Since beating Mansfield we've lost our last two league games, at Whitby and then most disappointingly at home to Stafford Rangers last weekend. The Stafford game saw us press the self destruct button, not only with Micky's sending off but with the poor goals we conceded. It was a chance to make up some ground on teams above us that we failed to take.

The postponement of the Gresley tie in the Derbyshire Senior Cup on Tuesday night was probably a blessing in disguise, frost and fog causing the match to be put back to this coming Tuesday with a 7.45 pm kick off at the Moat Ground. This means that the scheduled league trip to Ashton United on Wednesday 19 December is off and will need to be rearranged.

We are at home again next weekend against FC United of Manchester, a game which always attracts a healthy crowd so again please come early to avoid congestion at the turnstiles. The Christmas period sees us travel to Rushall Olympic on Boxing Day and Workop Town on Saturday December 29 before we're back on home territory on New Years Day against Buxton.

The last time we reached this stage was when Forest Green Rovers came here back in February 2001 and the Gloucestershire side needed a replay to scrape through against us. Let's hope the lads can turn in a similarly awesome display to the two against Mansfield here this afternoon. The crowd was equally impressive with their commitment and support in those two games also, so we are asking for more of the same today. Matlock, Skelmersdale United and King's Lynn Town are the Evo-Stik NPL's remaining survivors in this season's competition, it would be fantastic for our league if that was still the case come the final whistle.

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From The Bench

Good afternoon everyone and welcome to today's FA Trophy match against Luton Town. I'd like to welcome everyone who has travelled up from Luton today and in particular manager Paul Buckle, his staff and players. This is certainly the biggest match I've been involved in since I've been at Matlock and it's an especially big one for the players. We want to get through the tie but know we face a very difficult game for Luton are a strong and excellent side with threats all over the pitch. They're a better passing side than Mansfield with players who have been in the Football League and the Conference for all of their careers.

I've seen Luton play twice myself and had them scouted twice so we'll hopefully have our tactics right and I know whatever the result our lads will give Luton a good game. Looking back to last Saturday the result was very disappointing for it was a case of us losing the game

rather than Stafford winning it. We lost because we had ten men for sixty minutes, had it been eleven versus eleven, I think we'd have won comfortably. I've no complaints with Micky Harcourt's sending off, the referee told me what he'd said and Micky does not have a leg to stand on and I told him my thoughts directly after the game. The goals we gave away were very poor ones and even with just ten men we should have defended them better.

Back to this afternoon please get behind the lads as you've done in recent home games and enjoy what we all hope will be a great afternoon for everyone connected with Matlock Town Football Club.



Mark Atkins
Manager

We're in the last 32!

The first time the Gladiators reached this stage was during the opening season of the competition in 1969-70 when they beat Buxton 2-1 at the Silverlands.

Gordon Walker put Town ahead in the 34 minute when he ran half the length of the field cut inside two defenders before firing home.

Roger Barrett got all the important second goal 14 minutes from time following a free kick and although Neil Brandon was sent off for decent Matlock held on for victory despite Parkes pulling a goal back with the last kick of the game.

TEAM: Walton, Brandon, Heaton, Adams, Anderson, Fairhurst, Kettleborough, Walker, Bell, Barratt, Hutchinson, Sub Vardy.

A year later Town tasted defeat in the last 32 when they lost 1-2 at Burton Albion watched by a crowd of 2833.

After both teams were introduced to Dennis Follows Secretary of the FA before the game Matlock went behind to a 3rd minute goal but eventually equalised late on through Ken Bell however with three minutes remaining the Brewers scored the deciding goal.

It was on the road to Wembley during the 1974-75 season that the Gladiators defeated Burscough in this round.

Following a hard fought 1-1 draw in Lancashire Matlock's class showed in the replay as they won 3-1

thanks to goals from Peter Scott, Mick Fenoughty and an own goal.

The next season Town as holders were undebted to winger Colin Oxley at this stage when in front of a Causeway Lane crowd of 1546 he scored the only goal of the game after a thrilling 60yard solo run against Bishop Auckland.

Twelve months later another bumper home attendance of 2234 watched the Gladiators overcome Kettering Town 3-2 in the last 32.

In a classic game packed with attacking football, Matlock twice grabbed the lead only for the visitors to draw level.

Andy Wilson put Town in front on the half hour mark from close range but Clayton levelled almost immediately.

Peter Scott soon made it 2-1 however following a spell of intense pressure the visitors equalised in the 73rd minute.

The Gladiators then went straight on the attack for Nick Fenoughty to valley home the decider.

February 1978 and Matlock were in 2nd round FA Trophy action again this time making the long trip to Weymouth cheered on by a special train load of 300 fans.

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survived two inspections Town were soon in trouble when defender Colin Dawson attempted a sliding tackle collided with the concrete fence surrounded the pitch and was stretchered off with a leg injury.

This effected the Gladiators and Weymouth began to get on top however only a goal line clearance from Keith Scott and a top class save by Dave Barker kept the scores level.

Matlock came more into the game and in the 56 minute came the only goal of the tie when sub Andy Porteous drove the ball into the net following a superb pass from Tom Fenoughty.

The home side then piled on the pressure but Town defended brilliantly to hang on for victory.

Two years later Matlock came from behind to draw 1-1 at Marine thanks to a late Jon Whiteley goal but lost the replay 0-1 here.

In February 1985 the Gladiators drew 0-0 at Bromsgrove Rovers to earn a home replay.

The tie after four postponements took place 18 days later and went to extra time with Bromsgrove winning 2-3 after Town had twice led the second time taking the lead in the 83rd minute.

February 2001 was the last time before today that the Gladiators had taken part in the last 32 when they drew Forest Green Rovers at the Lane.

Matlock then in the NPL Division One went 0-2 down to Conference outfit Rovers but battled back to earn a replay thanks to two cracking goals by Nick Tilly and Steve Taylor.

In the replay Town gave a great display but lost 1-3 with the home sides first two goals coming from superb free kicks and the last goal coming on the break in the final minute after the Gladiators had spent most of the second half camped in the Forest Green half hitting the woodwork three times.

Matlock's scorer was Mark Shaw from the penalty spot after Steve Taylor had been brought down which made the scoreline 1-1 in the 25th minute.

TEAM – Tye, James, Paul, Shaw, McNicholas, Lukic, Tilly, Hutchinson, Taylor, Davies, Simpson. Subs, Bushire, Wainman, Stevens, Sheldon.

MATLOCKS RESULTS IN THE LAST 32 OF THE FA TROPHY

1969-70 – Buxton 1 Matlock 2

1970-71 – Burton 2 Matlock 1

1974-75 - Matlock 3 Burscough 1

(After a 1-1 draw)

1975-76 – Matlock 1 Bishop Auckland 0

1976-77 – Matlock 3 Kettering 2

1977-78 – Weymouth 0 Matlock 1

1979-80 – Matlock 0 Marine 1

(After a 1-1 draw)

1984-85 – Matlock 2 Bromsgrove 3 (act)

(After a 0-0 draw)

2000-01 – Forest Green 3 Matlock 1

(After a 2-2 draw)

MEET THE HATTERS

Mark Tyler - Goalkeeper

Hugely experienced goalkeeper who signed a two-year contract at Kenilworth Road in June 2009 to become Mick Harford's fifth signing of the summer following his release from Peterborough United.

Mark made 483 appearances in 15 years at London Road and was rewarded for his loyalty with a testimonial against Liverpool in 2007.

After falling down the pecking order at Posh he found first team opportunities hard to come by and in 2008/09 he was loaned out to League 2 Bury where he made 11 appearances for the Shakers.

A former England Youth international, Tyler was handed the number one shirt by the Hatters boss who admitted he'd failed in an attempt to sign the stopper the previous summer.

After a hugely successful two years between the sticks

at Kenilworth Road, Mark signed a new contract in the summer of 2011.

DEFENDERS

Lathaniel Rowe-Turner

Defender Lathaniel Rowe-Turner became Town boss Paul Buckle's sixth signing of a busy summer in July 2012.

The 22-year-old is a left-back by trade but is equally comfortable at centre-half and is reunited with the manager having previously worked together at Torquay United.

Born in Leicester, 6ft 1in Lathaniel began his career with his hometown club. He was part of the Foxes' youth team that won the Premier League academy league in 2006/07. In the following season he was named City's academy player of the year. However, having failed to make a first team appearance in 2010 he was released by the Foxes and in February of that year he joined Buckle at Plainmoor. In his first season on the Devon coast the youngster appeared 10

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times and scored once - in the Gulls' 3-0 win against Barnet. Last season Lathaniel made 24 appearances in all competitions prior to his release by manager Martin Ling.

Garry Richards

Commanding centre-half who arrived as the Town's fifth summer signing in June 2012. The 6ft 2in defender signed a two-year contract at Kenilworth Road following his release from League 2 Gillingham where he made 122 appearances over four years. A tough, no-nonsense defender, the Romford-born man started his career with Colchester United, who he helped earn promotion from League 1 as runners-up in 2006. In August 2007 an undisclosed fee saw him make the short hop south to join Southend but, after just six months and 14 appearances at Roots Hall, Richards made the move to Priestfield. Richards' first full season with the Gills ended in glory as the Kent club won promotion back to League 1 following a Play-Off final victory over Shrewsbury at Wembley with the defender playing a key role at centre-half.

Greg Taylor

Left-back signed from Darlington in November 2011 who made his Town debut in the 1-1 draw at Cambridge United. Started his career as a junior with Northampton before he signed for Kettering Town. He then joined Darlo, linking up with boss Mark Cooper at the Darlington Arena. Also capable of playing right-back and in central midfield.

Dean Beckwith

Centre-back Beckwith became the Hatters' second signing of the summer of 2011 following his release from League 2 side Northampton Town. The 27-year-old, who signed a two-year deal at Kenilworth Road, was a key member of the Cobblers' squad in 2010/11 which reached the fourth round of the League Cup following wins over Brighton, Reading and Liverpool. 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. With almost 250 senior appearances to his name after starting his career as a junior at Gillingham, the centre-half enjoyed his best goalscoring season last season scoring three goals. The defender turned down offers from a number of Football League clubs but was delighted to agree terms to bolster the Hatters' defensive options.

Janos Kovacs

Hungarian defender who signed on-loan for his second spell at the club in September 2011. Formerly with Chesterfield and Lincoln, Kovacs first signed in January 2010 before signing for Hereford United in the summer of that year. Signed a 18-month contract in January 2012.

Ronnie Henry

The Hatters unveiled influential defender Ronnie Henry as their first signing of the summer in June 2012. The former Stevenage captain signed a two-year contract at Kenilworth Road to also become Paul Buckle's first recruit

as Town boss. Hemel-born Henry joined the Hatters having spent seven successful years at Broadhall Way in which he helped the Hertfordshire side twice win promotion and twice lift the FA Trophy. Primarily an attacking and assured right-back, Henry began his career as a youngster at Tottenham Hotspur, but after a loan spell with Southend United in 2003, he joined Dublin City in Ireland in 2004 for four months before returning to England to sign for Stevenage. He went onto make 329 appearances for Boro to become their fourth highest appearance holder, playing key roles in their title winning side in the Blue Square Bet Premier in 2009/10 and their subsequent Play-Off final victory over Buckle's Torquay side in the following campaign that earned a second successive promotion.

In the season just passed, Henry made 40 appearances in League 1, helping Stevenage to another Play-Off appearance. But, having received an offer of a new contract with Boro and from a string of Football League sides, he opted to sign on the dotted line for the Town - and was named captain for the 2012/13 season by Paul Buckle.

MIDFIELDERS

Arnaud Mendy

Combative and creative central midfielder signed from Macclesfield Town in October 2012. Born in France, he began his career with Rouen before moving to England to pursue a professional career. He signed for Derby, making one appearance for the Rams before signing for the Silkmen in the summer of 2011. He enjoyed a fruitful spell at the Moss Rose and hit the headlines last season with a stunning goal against Bolton Wanderers in the FA Cup. Impressed against the Hatters in Macc colours and having continued to monitor his performances boss Paul Buckle snapped the Guinea-Bissau international up on a two-year deal.

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 first team debut as a second half substitute in May 2008. He made his full debut in the Hatters colours away at Bradford City in October 2008. After making 36 appearances for the Hatters in the 2008/09 the England C international was rewarded for his efforts with a professional contract in May. 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, including his first senior goal in the incredible 4-3 win over Cambridge in September 2009. Capped at Under-21 level by Wales, Howells signed a three-year contract extension in the summer of 2012.

JJ O'Donnell

Left-sided or central midfielder who joined the Town with St Albans team-mate Godfrey Poku in January 2010. Also capable of playing at left back the youngster featured

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for the Hatters' reserve and youth teams during 2009/10. He made his first team debut as a substitute in the 4-2 FA Cup first round replay win over Corby Town and was handed a one-year contract extension in June 2011. After loan spells at Thurrock and Hampton & Richmond in 2011/12, Paul Buckle rewarded his efforts with a new three-year contract in the summer of 2012.

Danny Spiller

Former Millwall and Gillingham central midfielder who signed a two-year deal in June 2012. Spiller began his career as a youngster with Gillingham, progressing through the ranks to clock up well over 100 league appearances with the Priestfield outfit, scoring six goals. His displays in the middle of the Gills' midfield earned him his fair share of admirers and, having helped the Kent club achieve several mid-table finishes in the Championship, he signed for Millwall in 2007. Spiller failed to settle at the New Den but he still managed to score once in six starts for the Lions, and, after leaving the London club, he enjoyed short spells with Wycombe, Welling and Dagenham & Redbridge.

However, when Gillingham came calling in 2010 the Maidstone-born man jumped at the chance to return to Priestfield and scored four times in 45 league appearances prior to his departure in the summer of 2012.

Adam Watkins

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

A self-confessed Hatters fan, he made his first team bow in a 1-0 defeat at Southampton in the FA Cup third round in January 2010. He broke into the first team squad during 2010/11 campaign scoring twice on his full debut in the 4-0 FA Trophy win over Uxbridge. Watkins then scored his first league goal on his first league start in the 3-1 win over Braintree in August 2011 and was then offered a new two-year contract extension. Adam went onto have a fine first season, scoring six goals and was capped at England C level - scoring against Italy.

Alex Lawless

Former Wales Under-21 midfielder who signed in November 2010 initially on-loan from York City, before a permanent deal went through in January 2011. A star of the Minstermen's campaign last season which saw them lose in the Promotion Final to Oxford United, Lawless featured prominently in all four of the meetings with the Hatters last term at the heart of midfield.

James Dance

Energetic, 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.

Yaser Kasim

Iraqi central midfielder who has arrived on a six-month loan deal from Championship side Brighton. Began his

career as a trainee at Tottenham Hotspur before moving to the Amex Stadium. Made his league debut for the Seagulls in May 2011.

Andre Boucaud

Midfielder who signed for the Town in the January 2012 transfer window from York City. Boucaud began his career in the QPR academy but following the loss of the Rangers' academy status in 2000 he signed for Reading in 2001, going onto a sign pro forms with the Royals a year later.

John Paul Kissock

Creative attacking midfielder John Paul signed a two-year contract for an undisclosed fee joining from Southport in August 2011.

The former England Under-16 and Under-18 international began his career as a trainee at Premier League Everton.

FORWARDS

Stuart Fleetwood

Prolific striker who signed for an undisclosed fee from Hereford United on deadline day in August 2011.

The Gloucester-born frontman, who scored 28 goals the last time he played at Conference level whilst with Forest Green Rovers, signed a two-year deal at Kenilworth Road.

He began his career as a trainee at Cardiff City, making the grade to feature eight times for the Bluebirds between 2003 and 2006.

Andre Gray

Lightning-quick forward signed from Blue Square Bet North Hinckley United on loan transfer deadline day in March 2012. The prolific striker had scored 39 goals in two seasons for the Knitters after being released from Shrewsbury Town in 2010. The Wolverhampton-born man made a goalscoring debut for the Town when scoring in the 1-1 draw with Grimsby Town.

He has also spent time on-loan with AFC Telford United.

Jon Shaw

Prolific centre-forward who the Town beat off stiff competition to sign on a two-year contract in June 2012. Sheffield-born Shaw hit a phenomenal 35 goals in all competitions for Gateshead in 2011/12 - 28 of which came in the Blue Square Bet Premier. In total Shaw netted a hugely impressive 56 goals in 97 appearances for the Heed - 45 of them coming in 81 league games.

Scott Rendell

Striker who became the Town's third signing of the summer after completing a move from Wycombe Wanderers for an undisclosed fee. He hit 85 goals in his past six seasons and has been the creator of many more during successful stints with Wycombe, Torquay, Cambridge (twice) and Crawley in both the Conference and in League 2.

He helped fire Wycombe to promotion in 2011/11 by hitting 16 goals in 26 starts, but found first team opportunities limited in League 1 in 2011/12 and was loaned out to Bristol Rovers and Oxford United - scoring three times for the U's.



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HATTERS' HISTORY

The birth of Luton Town Football Club was never going to be easy. At the meeting called to discuss the formation based, supposedly, on a merger between local clubs, Wanderers and Excelsior an argument ensued.

Officials from the Wanderers club maintained that they had been using the name 'Luton Town' for several months and that the meeting was pointless. Nevertheless that particular point of order was rejected and 'Luton Town Football Club' was dragged screaming into the world on April 11th 1885. Early games for the newly formed club consisted of friendlies, apart from annual excursions into the English Cup as it was then named. With a strong committee behind them pushing all the way, the club began to attract stronger opposition, better players and more spectators such was the growth in industry in Luton at the time.

The foresighted decision to pay three players was taken in 1890 with the remainder being included the following year. Clearly because of this expense friendly matches were not enough to keep the finances straight and an invitation to become a founder member of the Southern League in 1894 was grabbed with both hands.

Finishing as runners-up to Millwall in each of the first two seasons of the Southern League the ambitious club wanted more and made a bid for election to the Football League. Their initial proposition failed and a season had to be spent in the United League before they were accepted into Football League Division Two in 1897.

Unfortunately all that glitters is not gold and the Town found themselves in a predominantly northern based competition with the subsequent high cost of travel gradually becoming an escalating burden. After three years of increasing struggle the club took the brave decision to rejoin a, now much stronger, Southern League and a period of consolidation followed. Such was the strength of the Southern League that the Town could not return to their former glories and after several seasons of mid-table obscurity suffered relegation to Division Two where most of the teams were based in Wales. Thankfully promotion back to Division One was achieved two years later, in 1914, and the club emerged from the ordeal far stronger and a great deal wiser. After hostilities ceased, the Southern League, en bloc, was asked to form a new Division Three of the Football League and the Town

then enjoyed 17 seasons at this level mostly as a 'middle of the road' club. With the population growth of the town and surrounding area, the board, in the mid-1930s, decided to make a concerted bid to achieve a higher status.

Players were brought in to help them achieve this objective and their highest ever position was achieved in 1936 when they finished runners-up to Coventry in the days when only one side was promoted. During this campaign, a wing-half, Joe Payne, was handed his debut at centre forward against Bristol Rovers and he altered the record books at a stroke when scoring 10 goals in a 12-0 victory. Payne continued into the next season as he left off the last and it was his remarkable 55 goals out of a total of 103 that helped secure promotion to Division Two on the back of a tremendous home record. Decisions were immediately taken to extend the Kenilworth Road ground, where the Town had moved in 1905, with the capacity increased to a supposed 34,000. This limit was never seriously tested as the Town held their own in the new higher sphere. In their second season in Division Two, however, a strong and settled squad, ably led from the front by local boy Hugh Billington, nearly achieved promotion to the top flight.

Over Easter 1939, a series of good results had forced the team into the promotion positions, but a draw and two defeats from the final three games meant that they missed out. Unfortunately, no-one will ever know how far this squad could have progressed as in September 1939, with the Town sitting proudly at the top of the table, war broke out.

After a seven-year break, it was back to a few seasons of mid-table mediocrity until, in 1950/51, the Town came perilously close to suffering relegation back to Division Three, only surviving by dint of a three game winning run as the season drew to a close.

Luckily this scare was not repeated as the Town's youth policy, nurtured by manager Dally Duncan, began to bear fruit. Future all-time leading scorer for the Hatters, Gordon Turner, learnt the ropes under the expert guidance of ex-England international Jesse Pye and, with a settled side, the Town just missed out on promotion in both 1953 and 1954.

The final push in the fight to earn a Division One spot came in 1954/55 when the Town eventually won through in a titanic struggle with Birmingham and Rotherham. The Hatters finally clinched the runners-up spot on goal average with the Millers the



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unlucky side to lose out. Moving closer to the present day, the 2006-2007 season was largely dominated by the Hatters' off-the-field problems which began with manager Mike Newell blowing the whistle on underhand transfer activity that he knew of within the game. With the first game of the season at home to Leicester City being screened live on television, the early kick-off and subsequent 2-0 victory ensured the Town sat top of the table after their first match albeit for a couple of hours. However the season took a dramatic turn for the worse following a thumping 5-1 home victory over Leeds United which had seen the club cement its position in fifth place in the table.

A 4-0 thrashing at Everton in the second round of the League Cup bringing everyone back down to earth with a bump. But worse news was to follow. Prior to the trip to face Ipswich Town at Portman Road, defender Sol Davis suffered a stroke on the team coach on the way to hotel leaving the whole club in shock and it was no surprise the following day that - with minds elsewhere - the Hatters were on the receiving end of a 5-0 defeat. The Hatters then went onto equal their all time record of eight consecutive defeats by losing the following six matches which sent them plummeting down the table with a 2-0 victory over Preston North End at Kenilworth Road stopping the rot. Following a fifth straight defeat to Hull City on 13th March manager Mike Newell was dismissed after becoming increasingly frustrated with the Hatters board and Brian Stein was placed in temporary charge for the next match against Ipswich Town which the team also lost amid angry demonstrations by sections of the Kenilworth Road faithful. Former Barton Rovers goalkeeper and Leeds United manager Kevin Blackwell was named as Newell's permanent successor. But despite gaining a gritty point during a 0-0 draw at Burnley in Blackwell's first match in charge, the side only won of their remaining six games and relegation to League One was confirmed during a gutsy 1-0 defeat at Derby County.

Kevin Blackwell signed eight players during the summer of 2007 in preparation for a tilt at promotion back to the Championship.

During the first month of the season it seemed that the Hatters stood a decent chance of doing so, after four wins from their first five league and cup fixtures including a 3-0 victory over Premier League Sunderland at Kenilworth Road.

However form began to tail off and had yet to win away from home but worse news was to follow when the club were deducted 10 points for falling to administration in November. From being in a comfortable mid-

table position the Hatters found themselves deep in a relegation battle but the first match following the points deduction the team rallied themselves to beat Southend 1-0 at Kenilworth Road.

Results began to pick-up in December and a FA Cup second round replay victory over Nottingham Forest ensured the Hatters faced another cup clash with Liverpool at Kenilworth Road.

On Boxing Day the Hatters were involved in a highly-controversial match at Bristol Rovers where incredibly they held out to record a 1-1 draw despite having to play half the match with nine men and the last 13 minutes with only eight men on the pitch following three sending offs.

And in the last match of 2007 we saw the first away win of the campaign recorded courtesy of a last-minute strike from Matthew Spring.

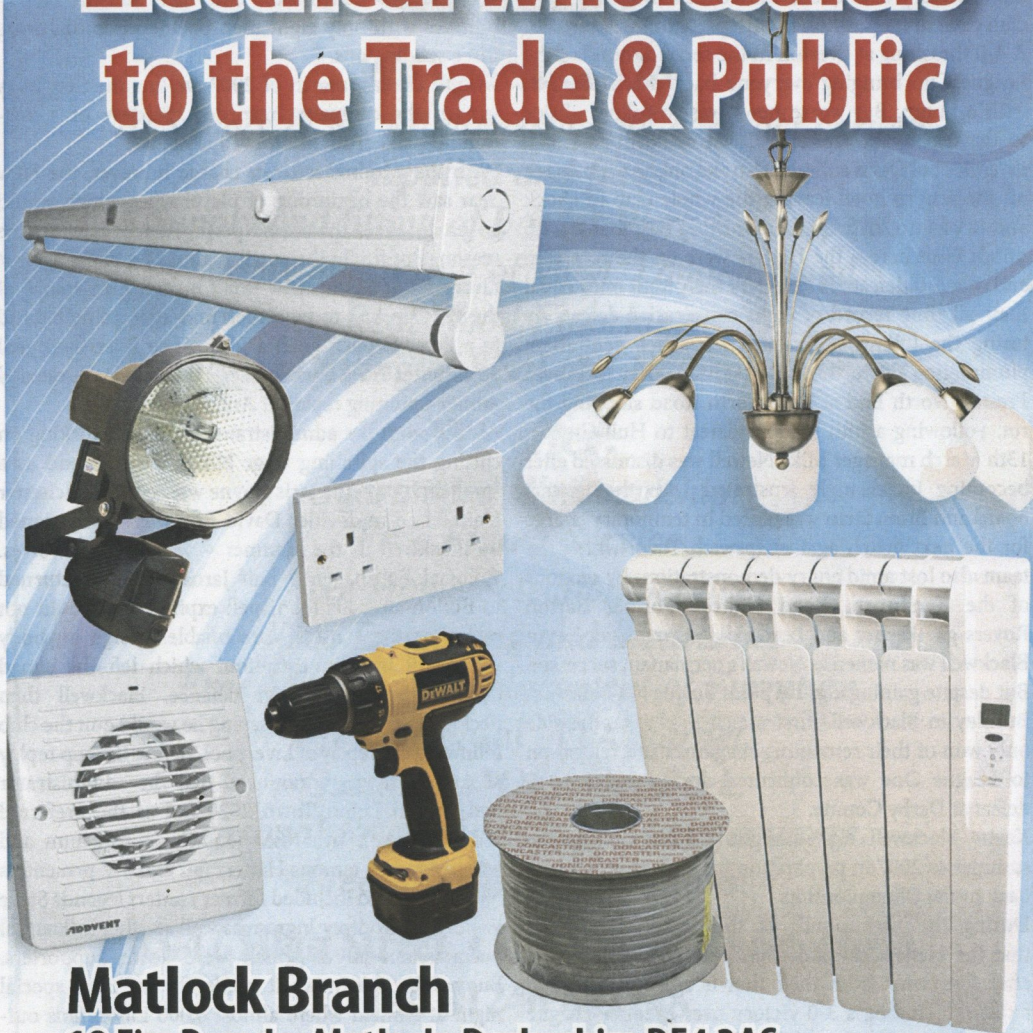
With the administrator in charge however, the New Year saw the beginning of player sales which would go on to affect the team's performances later in the season. But firstly the small matter of a game against Liverpool at Kenilworth Road in the third round of the FA Cup had to be settled and after going behind to a Peter Crouch goal, a John Arne Riise own goal 13 minutes from earned the Hatters a much needed money-spinning replay at Anfield.

At this point the administrator had been working on cutting the spiralling wage bill at the club and as a result club captain Chris Coyne was sold to Colchester United and midfielder David Edwards - only signed by Blackwell in the summer - was sold to Wolves. Colossal Polish centre-half Jaroslaw Fojut returned to Bolton after his loan spell expired and would not return as the Hatters were unable to sign anybody while still in administration, which left the squad decimated, especially in defence. Blackwell then decided to call it quits by saying he would quit the club following the replay at Liverpool. Before the cup replay at Anfield it was announced that the administrator had chosen Luton Town 2020 Ltd as the preferred bidders to take over the club. The consortium and was headed by famous Hatters fan and TV presenters Nick Owen and included former Hatters legends Steve Foster and Godfrey Ingram as well as other influential businessman all of which were Town supporters. Buoyed by this news it made for an extra-special night at Anfield where almost 6,000 Luton fans out-sung the famous Kop for long periods before, during and after the game. The team held on until the final minute of added on time in the first half before Ryan Babel struck the opening goal of the game to break the Hatters' hearts. A Steven Gerrard hat-trick and a



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goal from Sami Hyppia in the second half cumulated in a 5-0 defeat but despite the scoreline the Hatters performance was far from embarrassing. That was to be manager Kevin Blackwell's last match in charge of the Town as the administrator moved quickly to install legend Mick Harford as his replacement but despite a spirited display the team lost 1-0 in his first game in charge away to Leyton Orient on 19th January.

With the team struggling to find any form and with young players low on confidence, the side failed to win again until a 3-0 home victory over Oldham Athletic on 15th March, by which time they were already 12 points from safety. But after picking five points from the following three games to give them hope the Town went onto lose all of their final six matches and relegation to League 2 was confirmed following the 2-1 home defeat to Brighton on 12th April.

With the new owners set to take full control of the club in the summer the only problem the Hatters prepared themselves for would have been beginning their League 2 campaign with 15 points deducted for failure to agree to a CVA (Company Voluntary Agreement). However the Football League decided that because the club had been in administration for the third time in nine years, they would punish them further by deducting a further five points.

But worse news followed. The club were still being investigated by the Football Association for the past financial irregularities that had been made public during Mike Newell's time at the club two years previously. As a result the club had a further 10 points docked by the FA which meant the club had to start the season with an incredible 30 point penalty.

Both Bournemouth and Rotherham suffered a similar fate for recent spells in administration and were hit with 17 point deductions by the Football League.

Once the club was officially taken over a week before the season started, the club only had six professionals on the books leading up to the home game with Port Vale. Harford though pulled off one of the biggest transfer coups in the club's history when it was announced that former club captain Kevin Nicholls was resigning for the club. Nicholls was joined by 10 other news faces either signed on a free transfer or brought in on-loan, as the manager pieced together a team fit for the campaign ahead. Despite a slow and inconsistent beginning to the season the Hatters ended 2008 just one point away from wiping out the 30 point deficit and were only 15 points away from safety. The season was also brought to life by the club's run in the Johnstone's Paint Trophy which was won in superb style at Wembley with a 3-2 victory

over Scunthorpe United in April. However, the burden of the points deductions proved too much to shoulder and relegation out of the Football League was confirmed following a goalless draw against Chesterfield on Easter Monday. It meant the club will start life in the Blue Square Premier in 2009/10 after 89 years in the Football League. In their first season in non-league football the Town finished second behind champions Stevenage but lost in the Play-Offs at the semi-final stage to York City. During that campaign Richard Money took over from Mick Harford where the Town also reached the third round of the FA Cup. The Hatters again suffered Play-Off heartache in 2010/11 and again there was a change in manager - Gary Brabin taking over from Money in March.

After finishing third this time around and beating Wrexham in the semi-finals the Town lost on penalties to AFC Wimbledon in the Promotion Final at the City of Manchester Stadium after the game ended goalless after 120 minutes. That meant a third season in non-league football for the Hatters and hopes were high of a tilt at the title in 2011/12. Unfortunately for the Town inconsistency dogged the team throughout the campaign as they played catch-up on runaway top two Fleetwood and Wrexham. A terrible run of eight games without a win in March saw Gary Brabin lose his job. Paul Buckle was the latest man hired at to bring success to Kenilworth Road. Having witnessed a 3-1 defeat at Braintree, Buckle went about ensuring the Town's place in the Play-Offs which was by no means guaranteed this time around. However, a run of six games undefeated, including a final-day-of-the-season victory at champions Fleetwood, confirmed their spot in the top five and with it a crack at the Play-Offs for a third season running. For the second successive campaign the Town were paired with Wrexham. The Welsh club had finished runners-up having amassed 98 points.

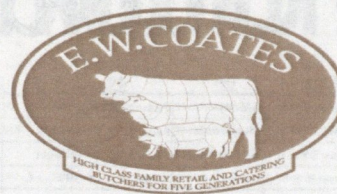
A 2-0 home victory put the Hatters in command in the first leg and, while Buckle lost his unbeaten record in the second leg when Wrexham won 2-1 on the day, the Town were in the final once more where this time they would face York City. At Wembley 30,000 Hatters fans turned Wembley orange and were celebrating just two minutes in when Andre Gray fired them in front. But joy turned to despair as Ashley Chambers equalised for the Minstermen before a contentious winner ensured it was York and not the Town celebrating a return to the Football League.

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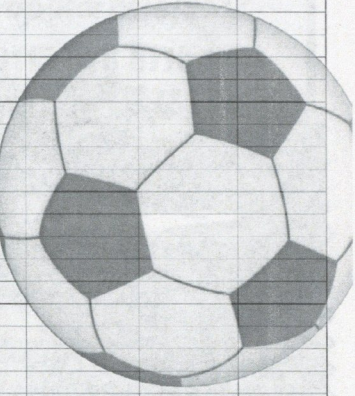
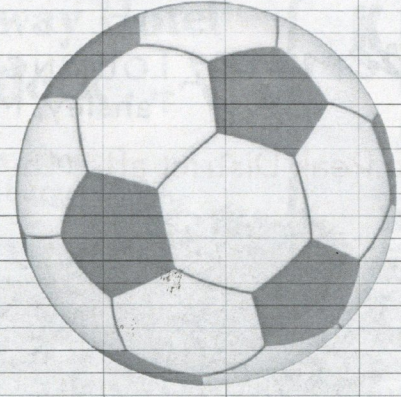
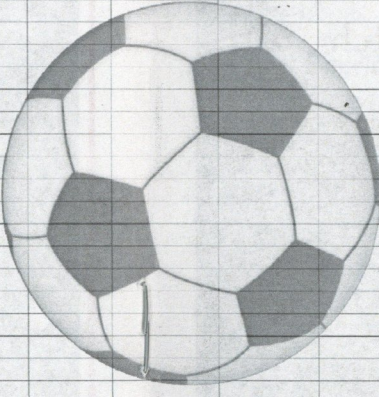
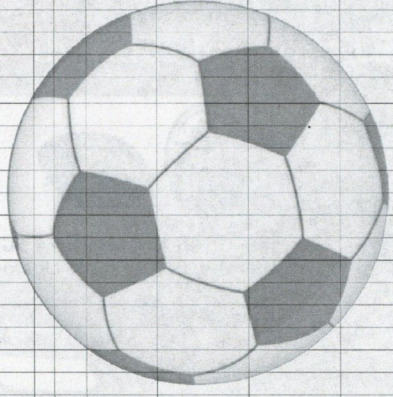
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2	Tue 21	Frickley Athletic	A	EPL	W	2-1	250	3	11th	Kennedy	Yates	Featherstone	Foster M © Y	Laight	Foster L	Grayson	Ashmore S12	Ellington	McMAHON (80p)	LEESLEY (83) ★	Bowler - 8th	Roe - 87th	Hindley (D) 65th	Witcombe unused	Buxton unused	
3	Sat 25	FC Utd of Manchester at Gigg Lane Bury FC	A	EPL	L	0-4	1,763	3	14th	Kennedy	Yates ★	Featherstone S14	Foster M ©	Laight	Foster L	Hindley S12	Davies	Ellington	McMahon S15	Leesley	Grayson - 56th	Roe - 74th	Coleman (D) 61st	Dennis unused	Buxton unused	
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13	Sat 6	North Ferriby United	A	EPL	L	1-2	219	8	16th	Kennedy	Harcourt Y	Featherstone	Foster M S12	Radford	Lukic ©	Hamshaw S16	Yates	McDonald ★	McMahon	Cotton S14	Richards - 54th	LEESLEY (73)-72nd Y	Tuton unused	Thewis (D) 72nd	Buxton unused	
14	Sat 13	EASTWOOD TOWN	H	EPL	L	0-1	371	8	18th	Kennedy	Harcourt	Roe	Foster M S15	Radford	Lukic ©	Hamshaw S14	Yates	McDonald	McMahon ★	Cotton S12	Leesley - 58th	Twelvis - 58th	Richards - 72nd	Featherstone unused	Buxton unused	
15	Sat 20	Stocksbridge PS	A	EPL	W	3-2	191	11	16th	Kennedy	Harcourt Y	Roe	Foster M	Radford	Lukic ©	Richards S12	YATES (70)	LEESLEY (36.54) ★	McMahon R	Davies S14	Ashmore - 85th	Grayson - 90th	Algar unused	Dennis unused	Buxton unused	
16	Tue 23	CHORLEY	H	EPL	W	1-0	227	14	15th	Kennedy	Harcourt ★	Roe	Foster M ©	Radford	Yates	Richards	Ashmore	McDONALD(37) Y S15	Leesley S12	Davies	Grayson - 83rd	Cotton - 60th	Algar - 90th	Dennis unused	Buxton unused	
17	Sat 27	LEEK TOWN	H	FAT2Q	D	0-0	264	--	--	Kennedy	Harcourt	Roe S15	Foster M ★	Yates	Lukic ©	Richards S12	Ashmore	McDonald Y	Leesley	Davies S16	McMahon - 46th	Cotton unused	Grayson - 80th	Algar - 67th	Buxton unused	
18	Wed 31	Leek Town at Belper Town FC	A	FAT2QR	W	3-1	145	--	--	Kennedy	Harcourt	Roe	Cotton S14	Yates	Lukic ©	Davies	Ashmore	McDONALD(74) (D) S14 ★	McMAHON (44p) ★	Leesley	Grayson unused	Richards - 72nd	Dennis unused	Gaughan unused	Buxton unused	
19	Sat 3	Marine	A	EPL	W	3-1	356	17	15th	Kennedy	Harcourt	Roe	Cotton Y	Radford Y	LUKIC (54) ©	GRAYSON (39) S15	Ashmore	McDONALD (35) Y S16 ★	Yates Y	Davies	Leesley unused	Richards unused	Foster M - 65th	Gaughan - 89th	Dennis unused	Buxton unused
20	Sat 10	STALYBRIDGE CELTIC	H	FAT3Q	W	2-1	402	--	--	Kennedy	Harcourt Y ★	Roe	Foster M Y	Yates	LUKIC (58) ©	Grayson S12	Ashmore	McDONALD (87)	Cotton S14	Davies	Leesley - 83rd	Gaughan - 90th	Wilkin unused	Dennis unused	Buxton unused	
21	Sat 17	Ilkeston FC	A	EPL	W	2-0	612	20	14th	Kennedy	Harcourt	Roe	Foster M	Yates	Lukic ©	Grayson	ASHMORE (47) ★	McDONALD (60) Y	Griffiths-Jnr(D) S14	Davies	Leesley - unused	Gaughan - 79th	Wilkin unused	Dennis unused	Buxton unused	
22	Tue 20	HEDNESFORD TOWN	H	EPL	L	2-3	253	20	Kennedy	Harcourt	Roe S12	Foster M	Yates	Lukic © ★	LEESLEY (90)	Ashmore	McDONALD (55) Y	McMahon Y S15	Davies S14	Gaughan - 19th	Griffiths-Jnr 68th	Grayson - 78th	Wilkin unused	Buxton unused		
23	Sat 24	Mansfield Town	A	FAT1	D	1-1	1615	--	--	Kennedy	Harcourt	Roe	Gaughan S12	Yates	Lukic ©	Cotton S14	Ashmore	McDonald	McMAHON(38) ★	Davies	Grayson - 21st	Leesley - 90th	Dennis unused	Travis unused	Leese unused	
24	Tue 27	MANSFIELD TOWN	H	FAT1R	W	2-1	758	--	--	Kennedy	Harcourt	Roe	Cotton Y	Yates ★	Lukic ©	Grayson	Ashmore S14	McDONALD (89) Y	McMAHON (50)	Davies	Foster M unused	Leesley - 87th	Dennis - unused	Laight unused	Buxton unused	
25	Sat 1	Whitby Town	A	EPL	L	0-1	237	20	16th	Kennedy	Davies S16	Roe	Foster M © S12 Y	Yates	Radford	Grayson S14	Ashmore ★	McDonald	McMahon	Griffiths-Jnr	Cotton 67th	Leesley 62nd	Harcourt unused	Dennis 85th	None Named Y	
26	Sat 8	STAFFORD RANGERS	H	EPL	L	2-3	307	20	17th	Kennedy	Harcourt R	ROE (49)	Cotton S15	Yates ©	RADFORD(28)	Leesley S16	Ashmore ★	McDonald Y	McMahon	Davies S12	Grayson	Griffiths-Jnr unused	Foster M - 57th	Gaughan - 78th	Buxton unused	
27	Sat 15	LUTON TOWN	H	FAT2																						
28	Tue 18	Gresley FC	A	DSC																						
29	Sat 22	FC UTD OF MANCHESTER	H	EPL																						
30	Wed 26	Rushall Olympic	A	EPL																						
31	Sat 29	Worksop Town	A	EPL																						
32	Tue 1	BUXTON	H	EPL																						
33	Sat 5	Blyth Spartans	A	EPL																						
34	Sat 12	GRANTHAM TOWN	H	EPL																						
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38	Sat 9	Eastwood Town	A	EPL																						
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41	Sat 16	WHITBY TOWN	H	EPL																						
42	Sat 30	WORKSOP TOWN	H	EPL																						
43	Sat 1	Buxton	A	EPL																						
44	Sat 6	AFC Fylde	A	EPL																						
45	Sat 13	MARINE	H	EPL																						
46	Sat 20	Witton Albion	A	EPL																						
47	Sat 27	ILKESTON FC	H	EPL																						
48	T.B.A	AFC FYLDE	H	EPL																						
49	T.B.A	KENDAL TOWN	H	EPL																						
50	T.B.A	Ashton United	A	EPL																						
51	T.B.A	Nantwich Town	A	EPL																						
52	T.B.A	WITTON ALBION	H	EPL																						



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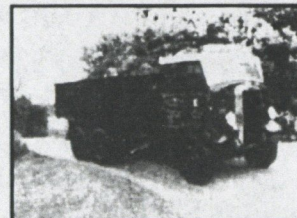
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On this day - Dec 15

2009- Town made progress in the Derbyshire Senior with a fine 3-1 home win over Alfreton Town thanks to goals from Nathan Joynes, Ross Hannah and Liam King.

2001- In a Unibond First Division game the Gladiators drew 0-0 at Chorley.

1998 - A crowd of 179 watched Matlock loose 2-5 here to Harrogate Town.

1990 - Everton Marsh was on target but Town were beaten 1-4 at Morecambe.

1987 - Matlock's first ever game in the Evans Halshaw Floodlit Cup ended in a 5-0 victory at the Lane over Worksop Town.

1984 - The League game at Goole was called off before kick due to freezing fog.

1979 - The Gladiators made it twelve league games unbeaten thanks to Peter Scott goal in a 1-1 draw at Runcorn.

1976 - Arguably the greatest performance in the clubs history the Gladiators beat the old Third Division leaders Mansfield Town undefeated at home that season 5-2 in the 2nd round proper of the FA Cup.

1962 - In their last Midland League game for 13 weeks due to bad weather Town won 4-1 at Skegness.

1956 - The Gladiators lost 0-2 at Belper in the Central Alliance League.

Matlock in the FA Trophy

Season	Round	Lost to	Result
1969-70	3rd	Mossley	1-2
1970-71	2nd	Burton Albion	1-2
1971-72	1st	Chorley	1-2
1972-73	1st	Skelmersdale	1-3
1973-74	1st	South Shield	2-3
1974-75	WON beat	Scarborough	4-0
1975-76	3rd	Stafford Rangers	1-2
1976-77	3rd	Altrincham	0-1
1977-78	3rd	Altrincham	0-2
1978-79	1st	Stafford Rangers	1-2
1979-80	2nd	Marine	0-1
1980-81	1st	Marine	0-2
1981-82	3rd Q	Witton Albion	0-2
1982-83	1st	Tow Law Town	0-1
1983-84	1st	Runcorn	0-1
1984-85	2nd	Bromsgrove Rovers	2-3
1985-86	3rd Q	Shepshed	1-2
1986-87	3rd Q	Gainsborough Trinity	3-4
1987-88	3rd Q	Witton Albion	0-2
1988-89	1st	Northwich Victoria	2-6
1989-90	2nd Q	Shepshed	1-2
1990-91	2nd Q	Droylsden	0-2
1991-92	3rd Q	Northallerton Town	2-4
1992-93	2nd Q	Leicester United	1-3
1993-94	3rd Q	Blyth Spartans	1-3
1994-95	2nd Q	Baldock Town	0-2
1995-96	1st	Radcliffe Borough	2-3
1996-97	1st Q	Winsford United	1-4
1997-98	3rd QR	Winsford United	0-0
1998-99	1st Q	Bishop Auckland	2-4
1999-00	2nd Q	Harrogate Town	0-1
2000-01	4th	Forest Green Rovers	1-3
2001-02	1st	Marine	2-3
2002-03	Prelim Rd	North Ferriby United	0-3
2003-04	1st Q	Gresley Rovers	0-1
2004-05	1st Q	Lancaster City	3-4
2005-06	2nd Q	Marine	1-2
2006-07	1st Q	Burscough	1-2
2007-08	2nd Q	Gateshead	1-2
2008-09	1st Q	Warrington Town	0-1
2009-10	1st	Kidderminster Harriers	0-2
2010-11	2nd Q	Kendal Town	1-2
2011-12	3rd Q	Hyde FC	0-1

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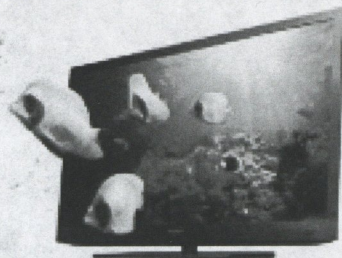
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Grantham Town	1-4	Nantwich Town	187
Hednesford Town	1-0	FC Utd of Manchester	929
Ilkeston FC	1-0	Chorley	405
Kendal Town	PP	Eastwood Town	
Marine	5-1	Blyth Spartans	273
Matlock Town	2-3	Stafford Rangers	307
North Ferriby United	2-2	Rushall Olympic	243
Stocksbridge PS	1-2	Workshop Town	187
Whitby Town	PP	AFC Fylde	
Witton Albion	2-4	Buxton	419

EVO-STIK NPL DIVISION ONE NORTH

Burscough	5-1	Farsley FC	110
Garforth Town	1-6	Curzon Ashton	95
Harrogate RA	4-2	Clitheroe	100
Lancaster City	1-3	Skelmersdale United	189
Mossley	PP	Cammell Laird	
Ossett Albion	3-2	Goole AFC	91
Prescot Cables	1-2	New Mills	129
Ramsbottom United	PP	Ossett Town	
Salford City	PP	Radcliffe Borough	
Wakefield FC	0-1	Trafford	51
Warrington Town	3-1	Bamber Bridge	105

EVO-STIK NPL DIVISION ONE SOUTH

Belper Town	1-1	Brigg Town	122
Gresley FC	0-2	Carlton Town	254
Halesowen Town	1-0	Market Drayton Town	163
Kidsgrove Athletic	3-3	Leek Town	309
King's Lynn Town	2-4	Hucknall Town	579
Lincoln United	1-1	Stamford AFC	131
Loughborough Dynamo	4-1	Sheffield FC	101
Newcastle Town	4-0	Chasetown	89
Northwich Victoria	0-1	Sutton Coldfield Town	97
Rainworth MW	4-2	Mickleover Sports	71
Romulus	0-1	Coalville Town	63

Monday December 10th 2012

EVO-STIK NPL DIVISION ONE NORTH

Curzon Ashton	0-0	Trafford	155
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DERBYSHIRE SENIOR CUP

Ilkeston FC	3-0	Pinxton	182
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Tuesday December 11th 2012

EVO-STIK NPL PREMIER

FC Utd of Manchester	PP	Kendal Town	
Stafford Rangers	PP	AFC Fylde	

EVO-STIK NPL DIVISION ONE NORTH

Cammell Laird	PP	Skelmersdale United	
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EVO-STIK NPL DIVISION ONE SOUTH

Leek Town	PP	Loughborough Dynamo	
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Ossett Town	PP	Belper Town	
Sheffield FC	PP	Garforth Town	

DERBYSHIRE SENIOR CUP

Alfreton Town	PP	Buxton	
Borrowash Victoria	PP	New Mills	

Tuesday December 11th 2012 (continued)

DERBYSHIRE SENIOR CUP

Gresley FC	PP	Matlock Town	
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Saturday December 15th 2012

EVO-STIK NPL PREMIER

AFC Fylde	vs	Ilkeston FC
Blyth Spartans	vs	Witton Albion
Buxton	vs	North Ferriby United
Chorley	vs	Stocksbridge PS
Eastwood Town	vs	Marine
FC Utd of Manchester	vs	Grantham Town
Frickley Athletic	vs	Hednesford Town
Rushall Olympic	vs	Whitby Town
Stafford Rangers	vs	Kendal Town
Workshop Town	vs	Ashton United

EVO-STIK NPL DIVISION ONE NORTH

Bamber Bridge	vs	Mossley
Cammell Laird	vs	Ramsbottom United
Clitheroe	vs	Garforth Town
Curzon Ashton	vs	Salford City
Farsley FC	vs	Lancaster City
Goole AFC	vs	Burscough
New Mills	vs	Harrogate RA
Ossett Town	vs	Warrington Town
Radcliffe Borough	vs	Prescot Cables
Trafford	vs	Ossett Albion

EVO-STIK NPL DIVISION ONE SOUTH

Brigg Town	vs	Kidsgrove Athletic
Carlton Town	vs	Loughborough Dynamo
Chasetown	vs	Gresley FC
Coalville Town	vs	Belper Town
Hucknall Town	vs	Newcastle Town
Leek Town	vs	Romulus
Mickleover Sports	vs	Halesowen Town
Sheffield FC	vs	Lincoln United
Stamford AFC	vs	Northwich Victoria
Sutton Coldfield Town	vs	Rainworth MW

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FC Halifax Town (CN)	vs	Maidstone United (R1S)
Forest Green Rovers(CP)	vs	Gainsborough Trinity(CN)
Grimsby Town (CP)	vs	Havant & Waterlooville(CS)
Hereford United (CP)	vs	Cheimsford City (CS)
King's Lynn Town (NP1S)	vs	AFC Telford Utd (CP)
Matlock Town (NP)	vs	Luton Town (CP)
Skelmersdale Utd(NP1N)	vs	Guisley AFC (CN)
Stockport County (CP)	vs	Southport (CP)
Sutton United (CS)	vs	Oxford City (CN)
Tamworth (CP)	vs	Corby Town (CN)
Woking (CP)	vs	Welling United (CS)
Wrexham (CP)	vs	Solihull Moors (CN)

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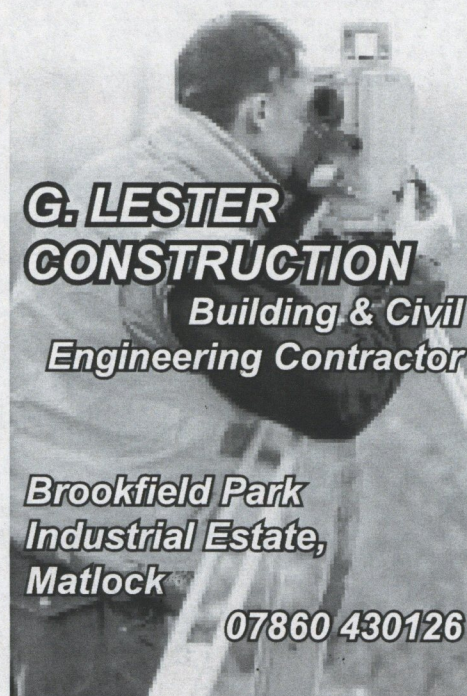
NO	PLAYER	DOB	POSITION	DEBUT	LEAGUE		CUP		SEASON		CARD COUNT	TOTAL MINS PLAYED	TOTAL GOALS	% OF SEASON	MATHLOCK CAREER	LAST GAME PLAYED	LAST GOAL SCORED				
					A	G	A	G	A	G								Y	R	M	TO A
1	Ben ALGAR	03.02.89	Forward	25-08-09 v Hucknall Town (a)	0	1	0	0	0	2	0	55	12.00	2.35%	108	9	27-10-12	17-03-12			
2	James ASHMORE	02.03.86	Midfield	18-08-12 v Nantwich Town (h)	8	1	1	5	0	13	1	1090	14.00	46.58%	14	1	08-12-12	17-11-12			
3	Kris BOWLER	26.10.83	Midfield	21-02-04 v Gaisley AFC (h)	1	1	0	0	0	1	1	29	6.58	5.43%	204	31	21-08-12	03-09-11			
4	Roy COLEMAN	20.12.90	Midfield	25-08-12 v FC Utd of Manchester (a)	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	127	0.00	1.24%	1	0	25-08-12	NA			
5	Glyn COTTON	19.11.86	Midfield	18-09-12 v Grantham Town (a)	6	2	0	5	0	0	3	940	0.00	40.17%	13	0	08-12-12	NA			
6	Garth DAVIES	04.02.83	Midfield	23-02-02 v Harrogate Town (a)	8	0	0	5	0	0	1	1108	31.75	47.35%	127	4	08-12-12	11-12-10			
7	Daniel DEAKIN	06.09.93	Midfield	01-09-12 v Stafford Rangers (a)	0	2	0	1	0	0	1	190	0.00	8.12%	4	0	18-09-12	NA			
8	Will DENNIS	22.05.94	Defender	18-09-12 v Grantham Town (a)	0	2	0	1	0	0	1	151	0.00	6.45%	3	0	01-12-12	NA			
9	Lee ELLINGTON	03.07.80	Forward	18-08-12 v Nantwich Town (h)	5	4	1	2	0	0	7	706	11.00	30.17%	11	1	22-09-12	18-09-12			
10	Lee FEATHERSTONE	20.07.83	Defender	16-08-08 v FC Utd of Manchester (a)	4	3	0	2	1	0	4	663	54.67	28.33%	164	3	06-10-12	23-01-10			
11	Luke FOSTER	08.09.85	Defender	18-08-12 v Nantwich Town (h)	8	0	0	2	0	0	8	870	0.00	37.18%	10	0	29-09-12	NA			
12	Martin FOSTER	29.10.77	Midfield	18-08-12 v Nantwich Town (h)	16	2	0	5	0	0	1	1877	0.00	80.21%	23	0	08-12-12	NA			
13	Laurence GAUGHAN	14.02.90	Defender	28-02-12 v Chorley (a)	0	4	0	1	1	5	1	120	19.00	5.13%	19	1	08-12-12	NA			
14	Bradley GRAVSON	02.01.93	Forward	18-08-12 v Nantwich Town (h)	6	5	1	2	2	0	7	712	15.00	30.43%	15	1	08-12-12	03-11-12			
15	Anthony GRIFFITHS JUNIOR	17-11-12	Forward	17-11-12 v Ilkeston FC (a)	2	1	0	0	0	2	1	191	0.00	8.16%	3	0	01-12-12	NA			
16	Mark HAMSHAW	01.01.82	Midfield	15-09-12 v Blyth Spartans (h)	4	0	1	1	0	0	5	395	5.00	16.88%	5	1	13-10-12	15-09-12			
17	Micky HARBICOURT	16.02.89	Defender	13-08-11 v Ashton United (a)	11	0	0	5	0	0	4	1231	52.00	52.61%	52	1	08-12-12	12-11-11			
18	Ryan HINDLEY	26.08.82	Midfield	21-08-12 v Frickley Athletic (a)	1	2	0	1	0	0	2	228	0.00	9.74%	4	0	11-09-12	NA			
19	Nathan JOYNES	07.09.85	Forward	05-12-09 v Ashton United (h)	3	0	0	0	1	0	1	250	5.00	10.68%	95	19	08-09-12	08-12-12			
20	Jon KENNEDY	30.11.80	Goalkeeper	13-08-11 v Boston United (a)	18	0	0	8	0	0	1	2340	0.00	100.00%	77	0	08-12-12	NA			
21	Ryan LAUGHT	16.11.85	Defender	21-08-07 v Lincoln United (h)	5	0	0	1	0	0	3	509	0.00	21.75%	105	0	08-09-12	NA			
22	Joe LEESLEY	29.03.94	Forward	18-08-12 v Nantwich Town (h)	7	0	0	0	0	0	1	1741	1.88	74.40%	52	7	27-11-12	10-11-12			
23	James LUKIC	17.04.82	Defender	02-02-09 v Glossop North End (h)	12	0	1	8	0	1	2	1800	16.08	76.92%	595	37	08-12-12	08-12-12			
24	Messiah McDONALD	02.05.85	Forward	29-09-12 v Eastwood Town (a)	8	0	0	6	0	0	3	1257	1.75	53.72%	14	8	08-12-12	27-11-12			
25	Lewis McMAHON	15.09.92	Midfield	25-02-12 v Rushall Olympic (h)	14	0	0	6	1	5	20	1	11	2	1	4	1741	1.88	74.40%		
26	Oscar RABPOUD	16.06.94	Forward	01-09-12 v Stafford Rangers (a)	7	2	0	3	2	0	0	942	0.00	40.26%	14	0	08-12-12	08-12-12			
27	Kane RICHARDS	07.10.91	Defender	18-08-12 v Nantwich Town (h)	15	2	1	6	1	0	21	3	1	2	1788	24.00	76.41%	24	1	08-12-12	08-12-12
28	Phil ROE	24.10.92	Forward	01-09-12 v Stafford Rangers (a)	3	1	0	0	2	1	3	3	1	2	74	6.00	11.71%	6	1	22-09-12	08-09-12
29	Shaun TITTON	15.05.79	Forward	02-04-10 v Hucknall Town (h)	0	2	0	0	0	0	1	50	0.00	2.14%	2	0	13-10-12	NA			
30	Jordan TWELIS	17.06.89	Defender	08-03-09 v FC Utd of Manchester (h)	18	0	1	8	0	0	26	0	0	0	71	0.00	3.03%	42	0	11-09-12	NA
31	Kris WHITCOMBE	15.05.79	Defender		0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	08-12-12	20-10-12		
32	Adam YATES	17.06.89	Defender		0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2340	59.00	100.00%	177	3	08-12-12	29-08-11			
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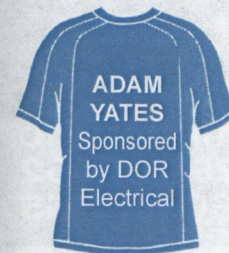
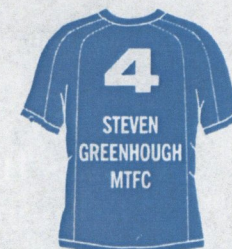
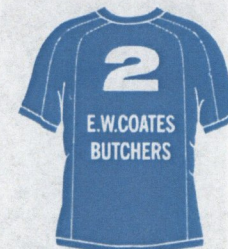
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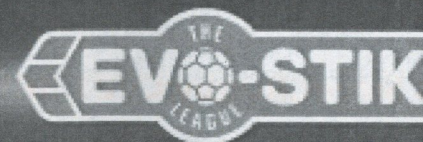
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2.	<u>Hednesford Town</u>	19	6	1	2	7	3	0	13	4	2	37	24	13	43
3.	<u>Marine</u>	21	7	2	2	4	3	3	11	5	5	41	28	13	38
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5.	<u>Ashton United</u>	19	4	2	4	6	2	1	10	4	5	43	32	11	34
6.	<u>Nantwich Town</u>	21	2	4	4	7	2	2	9	6	6	39	36	3	33
7.	<u>Worksop Town</u>	18	4	1	3	5	2	3	9	3	6	43	27	16	30
8.	<u>FC United of Manchester</u>	18	3	1	3	5	4	2	8	5	5	30	25	5	29
9.	<u>Chorley</u>	21	3	2	5	5	1	5	8	3	10	31	30	1	27
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12.	<u>Rushall Olympic</u>	16	3	2	3	4	2	2	7	4	5	20	20	0	25
13.	<u>Blyth Spartans</u>	18	4	3	3	3	1	4	7	4	7	33	37	-4	25
14.	<u>Stafford Rangers</u>	19	3	3	2	2	6	3	5	9	5	26	28	-2	24
15.	<u>Ilkeston FC</u>	20	5	3	3	1	2	6	6	5	9	25	26	-1	23
16.	<u>Grantham Town</u>	22	2	4	6	3	1	6	5	5	12	29	39	-10	20
17.	<u>Matlock Town</u>	18	2	1	6	4	1	4	6	2	10	24	35	-11	20
18.	<u>Whitby Town</u>	18	3	1	6	2	1	5	5	2	11	25	34	-9	17
19.	<u>Frickley Athletic</u>	18	5	2	2	0	0	9	5	2	11	22	38	-16	17
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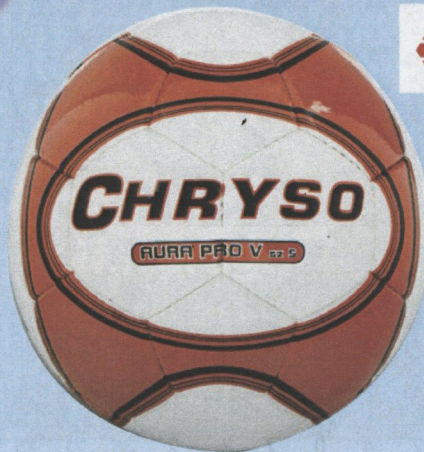
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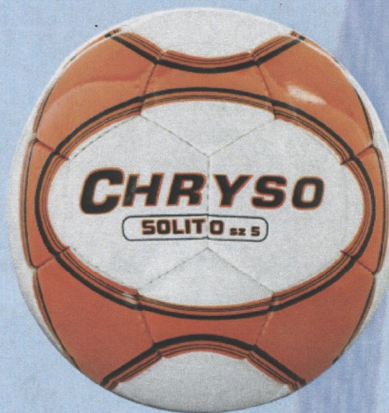
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