



NUNEATON TOWN 0 LUTON TOWN 5

Benson 34, 81, Gray 64, Guttridge 70, Howells 85

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IMPERIOUS BORO WITH



Still's side are too slick



By CIARAN THOMAS
VERDICT: Nuneaton matched their visitors for 45 minutes before the Hatters hit top gear and blew them away like they so many in recent weeks with some clinical finishing.

LUTON TOWN delivered another emphatic message to the rest of the Skirl Premier with a five-star display to move 11 points clear at the top of the table.

Paul Benson netted twice, with further goals from Andre Gray, Luke Guttridge and Jake Howells as the Hatters brushed aside play-off chasing Boro in a devastating style.

It was an 11th win in 12 league games for John Still's side, who also made it 12 goals in two outings following last Saturday's 7-0 demolition of Hereford, leaving the boss a happy man.

"We hit patches in games where we get a tempo up and the quality



"We conceded a shambolic goal to give them the lead and I'm disappointed how loose and ragged we got when the game moved away from us."
KEVIN WILKIN,
Nuneaton manager



"We are doing well but we're here to do a job and it's not done yet. We just need to carry on working hard and continuing to do our jobs."
JOHN STILL,
Luton manager

LUTON LASH 5-STAR SHOW



DIVING IN: Paul Benson nets Luton's fourth goal with a spectacular header



MATCH STATS NUNEATON v LUTON

1 SHOTS ON TARGET	9
4 SHOTS OFF TARGET	3
4 CORNERS	3
1 OFFSIDE	3
4 FOULS CONCEDED	6
0 YELLOW CARDS	0
0 RED CARDS	0

STAR MAN: Luke Guttridge (Luton)
ATT: 3,480
ENTERTAINMENT: ★★★★★
REF RATING: Darren England 7/10

NUNEATON: (4-4-2): Belshaw 6, Streete 6, Cowan 6, Dean 5, Delfouneso 5 (Hibbert 76, 5) Sneath 5, Walker 6 (Trainer 80), Armon 6, Taylor 5 (Moult 56), Brown 8, York 6. Subs not used: Trainer, Gordon, Mout, Adams, Hibbert.
LUTON: (4-4-2): Tyler 7, Griggs 8, McSherry 7, Franks 7, Henry 7, McGeehan 8, Ruddock 8 (Mpanzu 7, Guttridge 8, Howells 7 (Robinson 87, 5), Benson 8 (Shaw 84, 5), Gray 7 (Lawless 85, 5). Subs not used: Charles, Justham

Benson, who held off Gareth Dean to bear down on Belshaw, the keeper initially looked to have smothered the effort, only for the ball to squirm free to leave Benson with a tap-in.

Gray has been in sensational form in recent weeks and took his tally to 23 for the season just after the hour with his 50th goal in Hatters colours, turning in Benson's diving header at the far post.

Guttridge had been at the heartbeat of Luton's attacking play and got himself on the score sheet soon after, finishing a fine passing move between Pelly Ruddock Mpanzu and Gray.

Andy Brown headed over for the hosts but it was only a brief rest bite from the now relentless Luton pressure, Gray seeing a shot saved before Howells' cross found Benson in acres of space to head in the fourth.

Howells then completed an irresistible performance from the Hatters, turning in Jon Shaw's center with five minutes left.

"For 45 minutes I don't think there's a great deal between the two sides," Nuneaton manager Kevin Wilkin said.

"We've given away a shambolic goal and I'm disappointed in how loose and ragged we got when the game moved away from us.

"Credit to John, Terry and Hakkin, they've done a great job, got some terrific players and it will be difficult for anyone to catch them now."

GRAY'S WAY
Andre Gray slides in to put Luton 2-0 up at Liberty Way

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